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Officials Explain Acts Affecting Salary Boosts

Editor Citizen:

There seems to be a report current in the city, either gained from accounts of the doings of the city commission of Cisco as made unintentionally by the papers, or otherwise, that Joe Clements, J. T. Elliott and J. R. Burnett would be extravagant with the city funds were it not for the other commissioners, who have held down these three in their expenditures.

This report seems to have gained momentum when an article was published in the papers that the salaries of the members of the council had been raised.

Permit us to state that the charter of our city provides that there shall be two regular meetings of the city commission each month. This should be a sufficient number of meetings, if the business is handled as it should be; and we are not criticizing the way things are now being handled, either.

At ten dollars each meeting, and two meetings per month, the commissioners who do not put in full time receive only twenty dollars per month, or the same salary that has been paid since long before either of us became your commissioner. Some have said that the salaries were raised from five to ten dollars per meeting. Such statement shows a lack of knowledge of the true facts in the case.

We feel that two meetings per month will be amply sufficient, and if the salary were placed at ten dollars per meeting, it would preclude the calling of an extra session every time a tax matter had to be adjusted. In other words, we feel that very few matters or subjects will be of such importance as to demand action in less time than the next regularly scheduled meeting.

As to the extravagance of Clements, Burnett and Elliott we will give you the record of the meeting that has occasioned such comment. In the meeting Monday, December 28th, Mr. Donovan made a motion to raise the salaries of the following officers, effective January first, 1932: The mayor, from \$150 to \$200 per month; Mrs. Statham, from \$125 to \$150 per month; Mr. Hartman, from \$75 to \$100 per month. This motion lost for lack of a second. It was then moved by Donovan and seconded by Fee that Mrs. Statham's salary be raised from \$125 per month to \$150 per month. When the motion was put before us, Fee and Donovan voted for it, and the other three of us voted against it.

The mayor's salary was raised to \$175 per month and Mr. Hartman's to \$100 per month; the former by four affirmative votes. In justice to the mayor, Mrs. Statham and Mr. Hartman, we would like to state so far as we know, none of these had asked for the increase.

When the salary of the commission was set last year, it was fixed as follows for the year: The mayor's salary, \$150 per month; each commissioner on full time, \$150 per month; the others, \$20 per month. In the summer the city commission turned over the delinquent tax collections to Mr. Fee. In addition to receiving this \$20 per month, Mr. Fee now receives ten per cent of all delinquent taxes collected.

RECENT MARRIAGE OF CISCOANS ANNOUNCED

A marriage of interest to Cisco people was consummated in Waurika, Okla., when Mrs. Mary Clehr became the bride of C. V. Fox, both being long time residents of this city. The ceremony was performed by a justice of the peace in the Oklahoma city, December 30, 1931, and after a visit with the mother and sister of the groom, the couple will return to Cisco and be at home to their friends at 1920 Ash avenue. They are expected home next week.

Mrs. Fox is well known to many people in Cisco, as this has been her home for 20 years. Mr. Fox, who is salesman for the White Star Refinery, has resided here for 12 years, and enjoys the friendship of a host of friends who will accord the newly weds a cordial reception on their arrival.

OFFICERS' RAID NETS BIG WHISKEY OUTFIT

Another big whiskey still has fallen into the hands of county and precinct officers, who confiscated the outfit, said to be of 250 gallon capacity, when they raided an isolated spot about three miles north of Sabanno Monday. There was "nobody at home" when the officers arrived, and the still had been dismantled. However, there was plenty of evidence that the outfit had not been idle, as the party found about 900 gallons of mash and three large mash tanks of a capacity that would have supplied the patrons of bootleggers for quite a while. Constable R. L. Wilson, Sheriff Virge Foster and Deputy Steele Hill were in the raiding party.

Several whiskey making outfits have previously been confiscated in and near that vicinity, but it seems others soon replace the outfits destroyed.

Be a free man by paying your poll tax.

HOOVER TRAILS IN PAPER STRAW VOTE

Four years ago the Seattle Star conducted a newspaper poll on presidential candidates. In that poll Mr. Hoover received 862 votes, Al Smith received 478, with scattering figures for other possibilities.

Recently the same paper has been conducting another poll. Its last tabulation shows 834 votes for Governor Roosevelt, 221 for Smith, 86 for Hiram Johnson of California, 57 for Murray of Oklahoma, 35 for ex-President Coolidge—and for President Hoover, 22.

This has amounted to more than \$600 in one month, if we mistake not. We believe this is a mistake, since the taxes would more than likely be paid just as quickly, had the letters been written by the city secretary who is our regular tax collector, without the ten percent, unless an attorney should be necessary to bring legal action.

We trust that this explanation will be perfectly clear to our citizenship, and we assure you that we are and have always been for the best interests of the city of Cisco as we see it. We are not offering this article as a criticism of the other commissioners, but only to clear up reports, so far as we are concerned, as your city commissioners.

Respectively,
J. R. BURNETT,
JOE CLEMENTS.

WHAT ARE CISCO PEOPLE DOING TO BRING BUSINESS BACK TO THEIR GOOD CITY?

What are Cisco people doing to bring prosperity to Cisco? One can hardly talk to any citizen without hearing the remark: "Cisco needs factories; Cisco needs a pay roll." Now, the Citizen would like to know what would you do to support factories to make a pay roll possible if Cisco had them, provided local support was necessary to their maintenance? Are you supporting those small industries we now have, or are you buying products made in some other town?

Before you can expect outside capital to be invested in Cisco you must show some evidence of local loyalty by patronizing those industries now located here. True, as an industrial center Cisco can boast of very little. But there are some industries, manufacturing products that are equal, if not superior to those made in other localities, and we are dividing our patronage with home and foreign enterprises.

Do You Use Cisco Gas?

Cisco has a local refinery, making good quality gasoline, employing local people who patronize local merchants, thus supporting Cisco and her institutions, and is an independent industry, connected with no trust or combination in restraint of trade. Are you buying Cisco refinery gasoline, or are you driving your car past the filling station handling White Star products and patronizing the oil trust who have frozen out the operator and obtained a monopoly in producing, buying and selling petroleum and petroleum products. Are you helping to bring prosperity to Cisco when you refuse to use White Star Refinery products and paying your money to the Standard Oil company and its illegitimate offsprings?

Cisco has a creamery making as good or better butter than that produced by the creameries controlled by the packing trusts. But are you asking your grocer for Cisco creamery butter when you place your order? Really, isn't it a fact that you call for Brookfield or some other butter, made in another town? If you can't get Cisco butter, call for country butter till your grocer can be supplied with home products or change your grocer to one who will push home products in preference to trust made merchandise. If you can't do this quit talking about "Cisco needs a pay roll."

Do You Buy Cisco Bread?

Cisco has two excellent bakeries whose products are equal to or superior to bread manufactured in Fort Worth or any other town. Are you calling for Butter Kist or Ruppert bread when you visit your grocer? If you do not specify Cisco bread you are not loyal to your home industries. But isn't it a fact, when your grocer asks you what kind of bread you wish you tell him Fort Worth bread? The writer heard one lady so designate Fort Worth bread when the question was asked her. That woman's husband is operating a small industrial plant in Cisco, is dependent on Cisco patronage to carry on his business, without which he would close his place in a week. He never received a dollar of Ft. Worth business, yet when he

sets down to his meals he eats bread made in Fort Worth, paid for with money he received from Cisco patrons, possibly. If you are not eating Cisco bread you are not doing your part to bring prosperity to Cisco.

Cisco has a number of splendid merchants, carrying stocks that would be a credit to cities much larger than Cisco. But where are you now buying your dry goods, clothing, shoes, groceries, hardware, etc.? Isn't it a fact that you fill out an order and select quite a bit of your needs from a catalogue and mail an order to some mail order concern that never patronize you, or help any local enterprise? If you are patronizing mail order houses you are not doing your bit to bring prosperity to Cisco.

Cisco has an up-to-date mattress factory, making those superior spring mattresses that have proven superior to any other spring mattress on the market. But are you buying Slumber-On Spring and cotton mattresses, or are you placing an order to some other concern when you need another bed? If you are, you are not doing your bit to bring prosperity to Cisco.

Who Does Your Printing?

There are four commercial printing offices and two newspapers in Cisco. Are you having all your commercial printing done in Cisco, or are you patronizing those cheap concerns because you may save a few cents on each order? Are you supporting your two Cisco newspapers, or are you advertising through the radio trust, or some other method? The commercial print shops are equipped to do the best printing, and on small orders may charge a fraction more, but they are home institutions, employing home printers, who spend their money with Cisco merchants. The newspapers spend every dollar earned with Cisco business people, plus money received from advertising, from other sources, minus that small percentage required to pay for stock that must be purchased elsewhere. The newspapers are constantly boosting those Cisco enterprises that work for the weal of Cisco and Eastland county. Do you appreciate this loyalty by patronizing your local papers with your advertisements and subscriptions? If you are not doing these things you are not doing your best to bring prosperity to Cisco.

There are other enterprises perhaps just as meritorious, which deserve your support, laborers, mechanics, and others. If you do not patronize them, but are sending your cash to some distant city, you are doing little to bring prosperity to Cisco or help maintain a pay roll.

These are just a few reasons why Cisco has no pay roll. Past experience has shown that we hardly appreciate those industries that we have, and until we decide to buy everything in Cisco that can be had, Cisco will still be without a pay roll.

Think it over, if you are loyal to your home town. It means you. If every dollar expended by Cisco people was spent in Cisco, better times would not be "just around the corner." Better times would have already arrived.

CISCO SCHOOLS ARE AGAIN FUNCTIONING

Randolph college and the public schools of Cisco resumed sessions Monday with all teachers present after the ten days' Christmas vacation. Despite the fact many of the teachers have not been drawing their salary checks regularly there is no indication of lack of interest on their part. Commencing Monday the public schools will begin the last week of the first semester of the school term. Randolph's second semester begins February 1.

ATTENDED KITTRELL MARRIAGE IN 1893

During the Christmas holidays Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kittrell had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. W. W. (Billie) Williams, of Leuders. Mrs. Williams was one of the 43 guests present when Mr. and Mrs. Kittrell were married 38 years ago, and one of the four of this number who are now living. The other three being Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stamps and Mrs. Mattie Robinson, all of Cisco. Mr. Kittrell officiated at the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Williams only a few months after the celebration of his own nuptials.

THE W. J. POE FAMILY MOVES TO THIS CITY

W. J. Poe, long a prosperous farmer and leading citizen of the Pleasant Hill community, has moved his family to Cisco and is occupying the house at 200 East Sixteenth street. This estimable family is heartily welcomed by their many friends here.

SISTER OF MRS. A. C. GREEN BURIED HERE

The remains of Mrs. Della Dulaney Vernon, sister of Mrs. A. C. Green, were buried Wednesday afternoon in Oakwood cemetery, following the funeral services at the Green home, 1000 West Seventh street. The religious services were conducted by Rev. E. S. James, pastor of the First Baptist church. Mrs. Vernon passed away Sunday in Oklahoma City, Mr. Green going there to accompany the body to Cisco.

ALL TAX PENALTIES MAY BE REMITTED

A law was passed at a recent session of the legislature that has been sustained by the supreme court of the state, which requires the tax-collector to accept payment of all delinquent or back taxes for any and all years without penalty and interest, if paid during this month, (January, 1932).

This is an opportunity for those who have back taxes for any years to make a considerable saving, and it is hoped that all who can possibly do so will take advantage of this new ruling while it is effective.

Extra hands are being added to the tax-collector's force and every effort will be made to give the best service possible to all tax payers. However, those who have unpaid taxes for back years will confer a favor upon us if they will call as early as convenient to discuss and arrange to clear up these delinquencies while this saving is available.

T. L. COOPER,
Tax Collector, Eastland County.

Recent Filings In District Courts Nos. 88 and 91

Following are recent filings of litigation in the office of the district clerk for disposition in the two district courts of Eastland county:

88th district court—

In re liquidation Texas State Bank, Eastland, approve November expense account.

In re liquidation Texas State Bank, Eastland, sell furniture.

91st district court—George W. Patten, et ux, vs. J. W. Blackwell, clear title and for damages.

Carrie Hull vs. M. Lee Hull, divorce.

John F. Barton vs. Mrs. Leo Barton, divorce.

Stockyards National Bank vs. W. H. May, et al, suit on notes.

Ova Sumrow vs. J. W. Sumrow, divorce.

In re liquidation First State Bank, Carbon, approve November expense account.

In re liquidation Brownwood State Bank, Brownwood, approve November expense account.

MRS. BOND BURIED AT CROSS PLAINS

The passing of his sister, Mrs. E. O. Bond, at Houston, was announced in a death message to Representative Victor Gilbert Monday. Mrs. Bond's death occurred at Houston, and came as a severe blow to her relatives here, who, besides Mr. Gilbert, include Mrs. J. A. Clements and Mrs. Joe Shackelford, sisters of deceased. The body was conveyed to Cross Plains for burial.

BABY GIRL BORN TO MR. AND MRS. F. GRIST

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grist, 401 West Twelfth street, Tuesday morning, and gladdened the hearts of the proud parents by leaving a new baby girl.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES SUNDAY

"Sacrament" is the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, January 10.

Revelation 7:13, 14 supplies the golden text. "What are these things which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?... These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

Included in the passage to be read from the Bible are these from Psalms 51:2,7: "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin... wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow."

The services also includes citations from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy; among them being the following from page 241:

"We should strive to reach the Horeb height where God is revealed; and the cornerstone of all spiritual building is purity. The baptism of Spirit, washing the body of all the impurities of flesh, signifies that the pure in heart see God and are approaching spiritual demonstration."

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee. . . Because thou has been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. —Ps. lxxiii:1,7.

He always wins who sides with God;
To him no chance is lost;
God's will seems sweetest to him when
It triumphs at his cost.

—Faber.

No one is living aright unless he so lives that whoever meets him goes away more confident and joyous for the contact.—Lillian Whiting.

REHABILITATION OF SILVER

That the restoration of silver as a money metal is to receive early consideration by political leaders, even to the extent of it being made a paramount issue in this year's campaign, is indicated by expressions of those who formerly ridiculed the idea; that is, silver on a parity with gold as a measure of value. If we remember clearly, the Dallas News was one of the leading newspapers of the South that preached certain disaster unless we retained the single standard of gold when Bryan's double standard doctrine seemed on the point of winning the presidency for "free silver's" apostle.

Quoting from "Commerce and Finance," the journal of "Big Business," the News shows itself to be fair, at least, if not actually willing to have silver made a standard of monetary value equal with gold. These expressions are hopeful signs that men of great financial interests are turning to the white metal as a vehicle to carry us from the slough of depression onto the high ground of prosperity and business stability. Says the Dallas News:

"Here is an extract taken from an article applicable, or intended to be applicable, to times such as ours:

"Who will be victorious? The verdict lies in the hands of tens of millions of laborers, producers and handlers who bring the vast material production of the world to the market place. Shall it there be priced at the bankrupt gold standard figures of today, or will these overwhelming millions, stripped of their wealth, establish by their ballots a rational standard of value that will bring them hope and comfort by advancing the price of all commodities, real estate and merchandise to the level of high prosperity? The slowed up wheels of industry, the idle millions, the vanished solid wealth of the world is absolute proof that mankind has been "crucified on a cross of gold."

"Be not deceived; this is not a part of the outgivings of the campaign of 1896. It is a portion of an article in 'Commerce and Finance' in the issue of December 23, 1931, and it is talking about conditions in 1931. It frankly says that 'the commercial vision of the world is turning toward silver money as the only sure way of reinstating the relation between the debtor and creditor to a normal ratio.' When debtor nations begin to talk about not paying at all and feel no slur upon their pledged honor, we may expect individual debtors to begin to look upon the question of remittance in a new light, too. But when 'Commerce and Finance' begins to print articles about the silver standard, it does startle us a bit. The chances are that the spirits of Harvey and Bryan will haunt us yet.

LONE STAR GETS KNOCK OUT

The Lone Star Gas company's policy of harrasing communities by securing injunctions from federal courts to restrain officials from enforcing regulatory measures against that monopoly's piratical practice of filching the people, received its first defeat recently in Fort Worth. Judge Frank P. Culver denied the Lone Star's application for an injunction to restrain the officials of Fort Worth from taking over the gas distribution plant there. Judge Culver held that the demurrah of the Lone Star was a case of "no law suit," but merely to delay and harrass the city officials of Fort Worth who are within their legal rights in taking over the distributing plant of the local gas company.

It is believed that the federal courts, which have been rather eager to give the gas trust all injunctions asked for, are without jurisdiction in the premisis, but so long as the trust can harrass and delay communities it serves their purpose.

But the Lone Star received another solar plexus blow when the people of Eastland gave the octopus a dose of its own medicine when Judge Elzo Beene, of the 88th district court, granted the city of Eastland an injunction restraining the Lone Star from enforcing its declared new rates of \$1.50 per 1000 cubic feet for local gas service.

It is about time judges, both federal and state, should look more closely into the merits of the case before granting temporary injunctions that work hardships on the people merely that trusts and combines may exploit them. The injunction is becoming entirely too handy in the interests of monopolies who wish to oppress weaker interests. The injunction was never intended as a weapon of oppression, and it is about time the courts should wake up to this fact.

EASTLAND HONORED FIRST CO. SHERIFF

The Eastland Chronicle gives the following interesting story concerning the reception and honors showered upon the county's first sheriff:

H. S. (Henry) Schmick, Eastland county's first sheriff, celebrated his 89th birthday here Monday. Throughout the day many old friends especially those of the pioneer days in Eastland county called to see him. The main event of the day, however, was the unveiling of a picture—an oil painting of Mr. Schmick—in the lobby of the Eastland county courthouse. The splendid picture was painted by Miss Agnes Doyle of San Antonio, formerly Miss Agnes Harwood, and an adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Schmick.

E. E. Wood presided at the meeting and introduced the speakers which included Major Harry Brelsford, Judge Truman Conner, Charlie High, Hon Ed T. Cox and Dr. E. D. Townsend. Mrs. Doyle unveiled and formally presented the county with the picture of Mr. Schmick, which is to hang henceforth in the sheriff's office. Almost deaf and virtually blind. Mr. Schmick did not have anything to say, but thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated what he termed might be his last meeting with his old friends and cronies. A crowd that filled the spacious courthouse lobby was present and witnessed the unveiling.

The flowers for the occasion were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Parker of the Parker Floral Shop.

The speakers told briefly of the early times in Eastland county. Judge Conner, who is now Chief Justice of the 2nd court of civil appeals at Fort Worth, was district attorney of this district, which at that time included much of Western Texas, had been marked for death by a gunman he had prosecuted and Mr. Schmick, then sheriff saved his life when he entered a saloon just in time to see the gunman drawing his gun to shoot Conner. Schmick taking the gunman unawares got the drop on him and holding his own gun in the side of the gunman, who still had his gun on Conner, said, "shoot if you like, but if you shoot I'll do the same." The gunman dropped his gun.

"Uncle" Charlie High, another old timer and a personal friend of Schmick's made a talk in which he gave many interesting details of events that transpired while Mr. Schmick was sheriff and, like the other speakers, eulogized Mr. Schmick for the character of man and officer he was and is.

Among those seated in the places of honor were Mrs. Susan Steele, and James K. Schmick, brother of Henry Schmick and who succeeded his as sheriff of the county.

Pay your school tax—if you can. But pay your poll

JUVENILE ANTICS OF BISHOP A BOOMERANG

A prominent bishop who was very fond of children was invited to a party given "by children for children." Arriving at the place, he cautioned the servant, "Don't announce me."

Laying aside his topcoat and hat, he approached the drawing room. Through the partly open door he could plainly hear the voices of guests already arrived. Then he dropped on his hands and knees and entered the drawing room, neighing like a horse.

Suddenly he sensed an ominous silence and, looking up, saw a dinner party of grownups viewing him with mingled disgust and alarm.

The children's party to which he had been invited was next door!

JUDGE BEEN GRANTS INJUNCTION IN GAS RATE

A temporary injunction restraining the Community Natural Gas Company from enforcing the new gas rate recently announced by them for Eastland, was granted by Judge Elzo Beene of the 88th district court late Thursday afternoon.

The petition asking for the injunction was signed by J. H. Cheatham, George Bryant and George Parrack, and was presented by Milton Lawrence, local attorney. Judge Been set the date for a hearing on the injunction for next Wednesday.

It was also stated Thursday afternoon that a mass meeting of Eastland citizens had been called for 7:00 o'clock tonight (Friday) at the courthouse for the purpose of discussing the gas rate question.

INTENTIONS TO WED AND LICENSE ISSUED

The following have filed their intentions to marry and license issued by County Clerk, R. L. Jones.

Notice of intention to marry: D. H. Perkins and Miss Elizabeth Saunders; William T. Simpson and Miss Zena Brightwell; Junior Files and Miss Billie Blanche Mason. T. E. Woody and Miss Ida Mae Hamilton.

License issued: Truett B. Carroll, Rising Star, to Miss Mary Elliott, Rising Star.

Aubrey Lilliard Anderson, Eastland, to Miss Bertha Lee Taylor, Eastland.

Thomas D. Shaffer, Dallas, to Miss Rozelle Brown, Henrietta.

Hulon Lassater, Gorman, to Miss Mavis Jay, Gorman.

J. W. McCormick, Indianapolis, to Miss Francys McGinnis, Cisco.

E. T. Tennyson, Cisco, rt. 2 to Miss Carmen Johnson, Cisco.

D. H. Perkins, Dublin, to Miss Elizabeth Saunders, Dublin.

William T. Simpson, Gorman, to Miss Zena Brightwell, Gorman.

MARRIED IN GORMAN DURING XMAS SEASON

The depression seems to have no deterrent effect on the matrimonial market in Gorman, judged by the number reported in the Gorman Progress. The Progress says:

Miss Ruth Kirk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kirk became the bride of Edgar Higginbotham Dec. 23.

Miss Ila Mae Hamilton and Tommie Woody were married Dec. 22. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hamilton, of Carbon. They will reside at Sealy.

Miss Blanche Mason, the daughter of Mrs. Bill Mason, of Elm community, was married Dec. 22 to Junie Files, of Duster.

December 23 Miss Mavis Jay and Hulen Lasater became husband and wife. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Mary Jay, and a popular member of the senior class of the Gorman high school.

December 30 Miss Zena Brightwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brightwell, of the Grandview community, became the bride of Willie Simpson. They will live in Gorman.

A pre-Christmas wedding was solemnized when Miss Thelma Creager and Lesta Higginbotham were married at Stephenville. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Creager, of Desdemona, while the groom is a teacher in the DeLeon schools.

You may want to have a say in your county and city politics in 1932. The only weapon you have is your vote. This you deny yourself if you poll is not paid.

Pay your poll tax.

Citation By Publication

STATE OF TEXAS)
County of Eastland)
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Eastland County
—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon M. Lee Hull, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, and 91st Judicial District to appear at the next regular term of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, in Eastland, on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1932, the same being the 1st day of February, A. D. 1932, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 23rd day of December, A. D. 1931, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 15,123, wherein Carrie Hull, is plaintiff, and M. Lee Hull is defendant and the cause of action being alleged as follows:

The plaintiff has resided in Texas more than twelve months and in Eastland

county more than six months before the filing of the petition. Plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant in Eastland county, Texas, December 4, 1904, and lived together as husband and wife until September 14, 1921, at which time the defendant, without cause or reason, abandoned and deserted the plaintiff. At this time, they have one minor child. Plaintiff says she is a proper person to have the care and custody of the minor. That there is no community estate between the plaintiff and defendant. She prays for divorce and for the custody of the minor.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Eastland, Texas, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1931.

W. H. McDONALD,
Clerk District Court, Eastland County, Texas.

By DOROTHY WATSON
Deputy.
Jan. 1-8-15-22

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W. J. Poe, President of Cisco Co-Operative Livestock Body

Last Saturday was the regular monthly meeting of the Cisco Livestock Cooperative association assembled for the purpose of arranging for the monthly shipment of livestock to market. Also, it was the date for the annual election of officers. These matters were disposed of in their regular order by the large representatives of farmers present.

Owing to the prevailing low prices of livestock only a small number of the members were inclined to ship at this time, and it was decided to make no shipment in January but to defer shipping until the February date.

The meeting was held in the directors room of the chamber of commerce with W. J. Poe in the chair. The election of officers for 1932 resulted in the following being chosen: W. J. Poe, president; I. E. Ramsey, secretary; Harvey Woolridge, Oscar Reich and I. E. Ramsey, classification committee; Dick Bacon and Awald Reich, weighing committee.

E. H. Varnell reported that those attending the meeting last Friday night to consider continuing the agricultural

livestock show thought it best to have the exhibition again this year, but that many disliked to exhibit in competition with those animals prepared to show in the fat stock show at Fort Worth. However, he said, there would be only a few of these animals, and hardly thought the "dressed up" livestock would be objectionable. He stated that the chamber of commerce would donate \$100 for prizes, but thought additional premiums should be secured.

The association decided to pool a car of Iowa state certified seed potatoes for planting this year, as has been the custom for several years. E. H. Varnell and R. L. Poe were named as a committee to take the orders and keep a record of all wishing potatoes for planting, and those wishing seed are notified to leave their orders at the chamber of commerce. Mr. Varnell quoted prices from growers, the best being \$2.20 per hundredweight. As has been the custom in the past a deposit of \$1.00 per sack will be required when the order is placed.

Cisco Landmarks Fall Victims to House Wrecker

Gradually the old landmarks of Cisco are disappearing. One by one they have been wrecked to make room for more modern structures, or have outlived their usefulness and fallen a victim to the house wrecker for no other purpose than to clear the location of a building falling into decay.

Recently the Citizen mention the wrecking of the old Calhoun home on West Fifth street, at avenue F, which has been replaced by a modern home for Mr. J. T. Anderson and family.

But the latest landmark being removed from location is the old Judia home on West Fifth street and avenue E, just one block east of the Anderson home. This building was erected by the late Capt. G. H. Judia, who planned and erected the Judia theatre building. But the structure as found by the house wreckers was not the original building, built about the time or soon after the cyclone that swept many houses away and killed three people in 1893. Captain Judia owned and erected the original structure, which was a small two or three room cottage, but it had many additions, as the finished house was built in "relays." It was here that the Judia family resided and the children grew to be men and women. But more recently the home passed to the ownership of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and used as the club house for the local Elks for several years. Finally

the local lodge abandoned this club house and secured quarters in the Judia building, where the local fraternity now gathers for business, recreation and charity.

The property finally passed into the hands of three trustees of the B. P. O. E. fraternity, and a sale of the building has recently been made, and the lumber salvaged for sheds. It is understood that Frank Harrell and Walter Ray are the purchasers, and the salvaged lumber is being removed to the farms of these gentlemen, located east and west of Cisco. Only one of two sections of the house still stands, but these will soon be removed and the lot cleared.

The location is just across the alley from the site selected for the new federal building.

BOATMAN BURIED IN SAN ANTONIO GRAVE

A marked copy of the San Antonio News has been received by friends here of the Boatman family, formerly of Cisco, containing an account of the death of Rev. John Allen Boatman, who was at the time of his death at Nixon recently, the pastor of the First Methodist church of that city. The paper containing the account of Reverend Boatman's death was handed us last week, but too late to be used in that issue of the Citizen. The Boatmans have many friends here, where the family formerly resided. After religious services were held at Nixon the body was taken to San Antonio for burial. Deceased's son, Rev. L. D. Boatman, is pastor of the Alamo Methodist church, of San Antonio.

Just Settlement Of Indebtedness Should be Tried

There is a healthy indication seen in the move by the city commission to initiate negotiations looking to a settlement of the bonded indebtedness of Cisco. The Citizen is of the opinion that a settlement can be effected that will be advantageous to the city, probably at a cost of not more than one-third of the outstanding bonds, and likely for less. This might be accomplished by naming some reputable banker as trustee to assemble and handle these bonds, through whom negotiations could be made looking to a settlement that will be approved by the voters and tax payers of the city. Preliminary discussion of this phase of the situation was had at the meeting of the commission in its called session Saturday, when City Attorney Wright reported to the commission that the attorneys for the Order of Railway conductors had taken no action in the suit pending in the 88th district court when the calendar of that court was called Monday morning.

The filing of the suit by the conductors is just the beginning of litigation that may be expected unless some effort is made to effect a settlement, which will result in endless lawsuits, attendant by much expense and untold annoyance and confusion. That much of Cisco's bonded indebtedness is collectable and will finally have to be paid is admitted, and certainly no time is more opportune than the present to get the bondholders to accept such terms as can be met by the city.

The Citizen realizes that there is a big job confronting the commission, but as representatives of the city, every effort should be made to measure up to the standard expected of them when given their commission of office by the voters.

WILL MAKE THE RACE FOR REPRESENTATIVE

J. W. Cockrill, publisher of the Gorman Progress, was a pleasant caller at the Citizen office Tuesday, and incidentally renewed an old acquaintance with James T. Denton, associate editor. These two were former friends in Port Arthur, when Denton was editor of one of the Port Arthur papers, and Cockrill was pastor of the Christian church.

Mr. Cockrill stated that he had definitely decided to enter the race as legislative representative from Eastland county, and would formally announce the platform on which he will ask the support of the voters in the near future. He should prove a popular candidate, as he has warm friends all over the county, and if elected will make the county an able representative, as he is able, congenial and well-informed on the needs of the county.

MISS VIRGINIA FOX MARRIES PECOS MAN

Miss Virginia Fox, daughter of Mr. C. V. Fox, of the White Star Refinery, popular graduate of the Cisco high school and member of the Lobo pep squad, was united in marriage December 28 to A. C. Williams, a native of Eastland but now with the Safe Way Grocery Co. at Pecos, where their nuptials were celebrated. They will make their home in Pecos, where Mr. Williams is employed.

The bride was a member of the graduating class of 1930, and took a prominent part in all school activities while attending high school here.

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CISCO SETTING FOR COMING MURDER PLOT

Cisco is the scene of a murder plot, the basis of "The Gravel Pit Murder," a story written by Joe Jones, district attorney of Eastland county. The Eastland Chronicle says this story will appear in the March 2 issue of Master Detective Story Magazines, which will be on news stands Feb. 23, the publishers have notified Mr. Jones.

The story is based on the Danny Leach case in Cisco. Leach was indicted and convicted for murder in connection with the death of a man whose body was found in a gravel pit near Cisco on April 1, 1930. Leach was sent to the penitentiary for 15 years.

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RANGER BANK BOOSTS ITS CAPITAL STOCK

The Commercial State Bank of Ranger, recently selected as depository of Eastland county funds, is increasing its capital stock from \$25,000 to \$40,000. This increase is effective today according to statements of bank officers. It is said the selection of the bank as county depository was a contributing reason for increasing the capital stock.

SPONGE RUBBER SEATS

A few of those easy sponge rubber chair cushions left. To dispose of these the prices have been marked down to \$1.25 and \$1.50. They won't last long at this price. Perfect chair ease is afforded. —Commercial Printing Co.

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NEW SIGN ADORNS BAPTIST EDIFICE

A handsome new glass sign, the work of Cisco's artist and sign writer, Harry P. Schaefer, now adorns the front of the First Baptist church of Cisco. The sign, a real work of art, was presented to the church by Mr. Schaefer, and will hereafter direct the stranger within our gates to his affiliated place of worship, should he be of that faith and order, and others whose only purpose is to hear a real spiritual message while sojourning in our midst.

After spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Lulu Paschall, W. C. Foreman has returned to his duties with the Barse Commission company at Fort Worth, with whom he has been connected for the past 27 years.

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Salary Raise Act Rescinded; All Commissioners Vote "Aye"

The act of the city commission in setting the salaries of the mayor and commissioners, after the Citizen had called attention to this being an inopportune time to raise the salaries, was rescinded at a called meeting of the commission Saturday.

The records of the regular meeting Dec. 28, show that a motion by commissioner Elliott prevailed raising the salary of the clerk of the water department to \$100 per month. The minutes show no division.

Following the passage of this salary raise the minutes show that commissioner Clements' motion, which was seconded by Elliott, that the commissioners not putting in full time be allowed \$10 for each meeting, effective May 1, 1932, was adopted. The minutes show Commissioners Clements, Elliott and Burnett voting for the motion, with commissioners Fee and Donovan voting against.

Commissioner Elliott moved that the mayor's salary be placed at \$2,100 per year, which was seconded by commissioner Clements. It is recorded as having "carried," without a record vote.

But in the interim the Weekly Citizen became circulated and "there went up a mist," (second chapter of Genesis,) and there came a change over the situation, as the Citizen called attention to the fact that this was rather an inopportune time to raise salaries, stating that this was a raise from \$5 to \$10, which we learn was an error, as the old salaries for commissioners were \$20 per month flat. Yet, with the amount remaining at \$10 the action could have been a raise, as called meetings are held, and according to the act each commissioner might have drawn \$40 or \$50 per month, should the occasion

require two or more called meetings.

But, as stated above, after mature consideration, the commissioners decided to rescind their action, and let the salaries of commissioners and mayor stand as formerly. Consequently another meeting of the commission was held Saturday, Dec. 2, at 2:30 after the issue of the Citizen of Dec. 1 had been circulated among the voters of Cisco. However, the called meeting was for another purpose, but it served as an opportune time to rectify a palpable error, so when matters were disposed of for which the meeting was called, a motion by Commissioner Donovan, seconded by commissioner Fee, that the action of the commissioners in setting the salaries of the mayor and commissioners, of Dec. 28, be rescinded, was declared carried. The minutes show that all commissioners were present and voting, and all of the same mind, as there was not a dissenting vote when the motion was put before the house. All voting to rescind.

If the Citizen was instrumental in causing this action by giving publicity to an act which is the people's business, we are satisfied. It is the purpose of the Citizen to criticize the acts of all public officials, condemning when we believe such acts are not in the interest of the people, but praising where praise is due. Our mission is constructive, not destructive, and this paper is not here to make war on any man for the sake of a fight, or to gain popularity by stirring up strife. Follow the straight and narrow, and the Citizen will be found holding up your hands. We are only fighting those things that are inimical to the public weal. This is not a sensational newspaper.

Experiment Farms Will Demonstrate Terrace Efficacy

Committee chairmen have been named by those sponsoring the Eastland county Livestock show, which will be held in Cisco Feb. 26 and 27. The meeting at which these heads of departments were named was called by E. H. Varnell, vocational agriculturist, at the chamber of commerce last Friday, and was well attended by those most interested in putting the show over.

The heads of departments named by R. L. Poe, general chairman, and E. H. Varnell, secretary, which were approved by those present, are: Beef cattle division, Dr. F. E. Clark; dairy cattle division, A. Z. Myrick and Jack Denison; sheep and goat division, F. E. Harrell; hogs division, Dr. C. C. Jones.

Entertainment features will likely be part of the show, which will be in charge of a special committee to be named later.

The exhibition will be held in one of the vacant buildings on D avenue or adjacent street, in the business section or as near as possible.

CISCO CHURCH OF GOD CALLS MOAD AS PASTOR

The congregation of the Cisco Church of God, located on Broadway and H. avenue, Wednesday extended a call to Rev. C. S. Moad, pastor of the church at Elk City, Okla., to the pastorate of the Cisco church. The call was accepted, and he has returned to Elk City to make preparations to remove his family here some time in February.

Committee Heads Named for Stock Show Feb. 26-27

E. H. Varnell, vocational agriculturist of the Cisco chamber of commerce, informs the Citizen that an agricultural experiment of importance is soon to be launched near Cisco. This project will be in the nature of a demonstration farm—two of them, in fact—which will be intended to test the efficacy of terracing as an aid in restoring farm lands and increasing crop yield. Two 30-acre tracts have been secured for this demonstration, one on the W. L. Parmer farm, just west of Cisco on the Bankhead highway, the other on the farm of W. H. Holt, eight miles south of this city on the Rising Star road. Both are on state highways, and the demonstrations can be observed by all traversing those roads.

The projects will be divided into 15 acres each, one of which on each project will be terraced, the other will not. Both will be given the same cultivation, planted to the same crops, and accurate accounts kept of each. This demonstration is intended to cover at least four years, at the end of that time it is expected that the results will show conclusively the advantages derived from terracing when correctly done. If no increased yield is obtained the project will at least demonstrate whether or not terracing is worth while.

Cooperating with Mr. Varnell in this project will be the county farm agent, J. C. Patterson, the Cisco chamber of commerce, and County Commissioner Birt Brittain, who will do the terracing after the

PERSONALS

Mrs. M. E. Townsend, of Moran, spent Wednesday in Cisco.

Miss Louise Simon has returned home from a pleasant visit in Dallas.

Lew White has returned to the East Texas oil fields after a visit here with his family.

Mrs. J. R. Burnett had as her guests Sunday Miss Dorothy McCannies, niece of Mrs. Burnett, and Joe Cook, of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wipern are home after a visit to their daughter, Miss Clementine, in San Antonio.

Concluding her holiday visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mayhew, Miss Emma Deen Mayhew has returned to Fort Worth.

Miss Catherine Cunningham, the efficient office assistant of the E. P. Crawford insurance agency, is back at her post of duty after a brief visit with friends in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Key are home after a visit to Mrs. Key's parents at Bremond. They were accompanied by their daughter, Miss Margaret LaVerne.

J. B. Morrison, well known independent oil operator, arrived the first of the week from the East Texas fields, and was cordially greeted by his numerous friends.

Miss Eileen Wilson, who is teaching at Prairie Lea, has returned to her school after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson.

Coach Wilbur Westerfeldt of Fredericksburg high school has returned to his duties there after spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Westerfeldt.

Calhoun Anderson has returned to his studies at the Southern Methodist university, at Dallas, after a pleasant Christmas spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Anderson.

Wesley Harrell, a student at the university of Alabama, has returned to Tuscaloosa to resume his studies after his holiday visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrell.

Mrs. Aubrey Fields, who has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Noell, has concluded her visit and left for her home in Gainesville Monday. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Noell, for a brief visit.

WOODS COMMENCES NEW MODERN HOME

S. R. Woods, of the grocery firm of Hyatt & Woods, doing business at 110 D avenue, commenced the erection of a modern residence at 612 West Eleventh street, a permit being secured the first of the week from the city secretary. The specifications as given in the application for the building permit call for five rooms and a bath, besides front and rear porches. K. A. Woods has the contract, and has already started work on the building.

The site of the new home is the old Davenport place, which was purchased several months ago by Mr. Woods, who recently wrecked the old building preparatory to erect the new home.

lines have been run by Varnell and Patterson.

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COUNTRY PRODUCE PAYS FOR CITIZEN

Country produce is now legal tender for subscription to the Cisco Weekly Citizen. We have made and will maintain this offer to take country produce, in payment of subscription to the Cisco Citizen until the government remonetizes silver and restores that metal as a money metal. This offer is made for the reason we wish to have every farmer in the Cisco country subscribe to and read the local farm newspaper, whose interest is identical with the farmers' interest, and for the further reason that most of our farmers have produced good crops, but under the gold standard there is no market. So, until silver is restored we are accepting country produce in payment of your subscription to the paper that will soon be read by every farmer in the trade territory of this city. Don't wait until you get the cash. Just bring us in a few eggs, butter chicken, black-eyed peas, potatoes or other things you can spare and read the paper that believes in you, and is ever ready to support those things that are to your interest.

There is just one time to do it, so why wait? It is like pulling a tooth. Do it and get it over with. You will later on, anyway.

The first to take advantage of this offer was V. W. Penn, a substantial farmer living on route 4. Penn came in a few days ago with eggs and butter. The butter was that delicious product of Mrs. Penn, than which there has never been a better quality. In fact, after tasting this delicious butter as made by Mrs. Penn it is more prized than cash. Its equal cannot be bought every day for money.

This splendid lady is not only a good housewife, one of whose products are the best, but she is a leader of the ladies of her community, and one of that section's most popular matrons.

Don't be afraid of getting the editor over-stocked. Just bring in what you have and read the only newspaper in Cisco owned by Cisco people, whose interest is in common with every home-owning citizen in Cisco and the Cisco country.

FLOUR AND FEED MAN CARRIES GROCERIES

R. H. Boon, pioneer wholesale flour and feed man of Cisco, who has for many years specialized in flour and feed at wholesale and retail has added a stock of groceries, and is now prepared to serve you with most anything that is best to eat. Mr. Boon is a regular advertiser in the Citizen, and if you are interested in having an independent newspaper in Cisco give him your trade, buy his merchandise. If you are trading elsewhere be sure and call for the brands of flour he sells, as he wholesales to other merchants. It is the best. The brands Boon carries are Silk Finish and San Tex both manufactured in Texas.

If you want other merchandise, buy from those merchants whose advertisements are carried in the Citizen. They are your friends, as they are also interested in seeing an independent newspaper published in Cisco.

MRS. JORDAN'S BODY BURIED IN OAKWOOD

The remains of Mrs. Fannie Jordan, widow of a former Cisco tinsmith, was brought to Cisco Thursday for burial in Oakwood cemetery beside the grave of her husband who passed away about eight years ago. The family moved here about ten years ago, where Mr. Jordan operated a tinshop on D. avenue at Thirteenth street. Mrs. Jordan died in Dallas Wednesday.

W. T. U Projects Will Keep Busy Regular Crews

Abilene Jan. 6 — With electric and water extensions to serve new residential, commercial and oilfield customers planned, the current construction program of the West Texas Utilities company indicates renewed activity for maintenance and construction crews, according to information received from the company's offices here. Projects included in the report are already under way, it was announced.

Oilfield extensions will be made at Iraan, where a three-phase 440 volt secondary line will serve the Cardinal Oil company with power to pump two oil wells, and at McCamey, where a similar line will serve the Harry Baldwin company with power for pumping a single well.

Another extension at Iraan involves the building of a three-phase, 220 volt secondary line, to furnish power for a motor operated by the Iraan Gas company.

An additional conductor will be added to the single-phase primary 6,600 volt line at Tankersly, to furnish three phase service to the Jno. P. Lee ranch home.

At Eden, a primary line will be extended to serve additional power demands in the Ballard Addition, and new construction work will be made necessary by the widening and paving of highway No. 4 through the city.

Other extensions, serving new customers, will be made at Mason, where a new secondary line will be erected; at Anson, where three-phase primary and three-phase secondary lines will serve many new customers, and at Stamford, where a 110 volt, two-wire secondary line will carry service to new lighting customers.

At Dumas, a six-inch cast iron main will be extended 825 feet, and 50 feet of new two-inch main installed to serve new fire hydrants and a new public school building.

Regular construction crews of the West Texas Utility company are being used on the work, it was learned, which is under way at the present time.

ALBANY REFINERY DAMAGED BY FIRE

ALBANY, Jan. 6—Damage estimated at \$1,000 was incurred here early today when the new condenser tower of the Albany Refinery was destroyed by fire. The condenser was ignited from a flash when a distiller blew off.

The refinery, owned by the Exchange Petroleum corporation, will be shut down several days for repairs. A. C. Spencer, manager, was in Wichita Falls at the time of the fire. Loss is partially covered by insurance.

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ANNOUNCE ARRIVAL OF GRANDDAUGHTER

A message to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reagan Wednesday announced the arrival of a granddaughter in the person of a lovely baby, born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Otho Bray, in Chickasha, Ok. The mother of the new baby will be remembered by many friends here as Miss Gladys Reagan, daughter of this estimable Cisco couple.

L. E. DePew, foreman of the Lone Star pipe line department with headquarters at Moran, stated Friday that he would employ men during this week tying in a well to the Lone Star pipe line. The well is the Lorenza on the Ernest C. McClelland farm, which was drilled in last spring by Mr. Lorenza. The lease has been sold to the Lone Star people. Mr. DePew stated that about a thousand feet of line would have to be put down.—Moran News.

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