

THE CISCO WEEKLY CITIZEN

VOLUME TWO

CISCO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1932

NUMBER 32

BIDS CALLED FOR TO REMOVE WATER TOWER

Demand That Eugene Lankford Make Race for County Judge Gathers Momentum Every Day

Indications are that one of Cisco's most highly esteemed citizens is about to be drafted for official preferment by the voters of Eastland county. One of the strongest planks in the platform of the Eastland County Taxpayers association is that the office

Jones Draws Fire From Secretary of Agriculture Hide

Joe Jones, candidate for congress from the 17th district, recently wrote Secretary Hide, of the department of agriculture, protesting against government loans to hop growers, as hops are largely used in the manufacture of beer, an outlawed business in the United States. Hide has replied, justifying these loans by saying hops are used for many other reasons, and stated that the government has no right to presume that an agricultural crop, innocent in itself, is going to be used for an illegal purpose.

Large Cotton Crop Ruinous
Secretary Hide also stated that the limitation of cotton acreage was for the benefit of the farmer, as there are 14,500,000 bales of cotton on hand, and unlimited loans to produce another bumper crop will cause a very low price this fall.

"If I had been a member of congress when the \$2,000,000 reconstruction bill was before it, I would have urged, first, that more than one tenth of the amount should go to aid farming, upon which prosperity rests the welfare of all of us," Jones declared yesterday, "and, second, as long as the laws of my nation make it illegal to deal in beer, I would have insisted that not one penny of government funds be spent to grow a product with which to violate the laws.

What About Marihuana?
Certainly if the acreage of the cotton farmers in my district can be regulated, then the hops acreage could at least be restricted so that only the needs of legitimate industry could be met. Gross discrimination is being practiced to favor the hops-growers of California, President Hoover's home state.

"If the secretary of agriculture must lend money on any crop, as he says, then what is to keep the Mexicans in the Southwest who grow marihuana—the smoking of which produces intoxication—from applying for, and receiving, loans from the federal treasury?"

"Millions of dollars are being spent by our government to enforce prohibition and it is inconsistent, wasteful, unwise and violative of the constitution to spend other moneys, especially when the farmers who raise wheat, peanuts and cotton; the workingman who is about to lose his home, and the small town merchant will welcome every dollar that the government wants to loan, and their needs are above any question of suspicion."

should seek the man, and one of the most enthusiastic, as well as most conscientious members of the taxpayers association is Judge Eugene Lankford. He is chairman of the standing resolutions committee, the body that wrote the principles on which the association is making its fight for tax reform and more efficient and economical administration of the affairs of the county. None can know Judge Lankford without being thoroughly impressed with his inherent honesty and impeccable character. Then it is not surprising that a general sentiment is being formed that Lankford is the proper man for those who favor the principles advocated by the Taxpayers association to concentrate on for the office of county judge of Eastland county. Those of this way of thinking have been besieging Judge Lankford to allow his name to be used as a candidate for this office.

Not in Politics
There is just one obstacle in the way. Judge Lankford is not in politics. Since his removal to Cisco in 1918 or 1919, the Citizen editor has enjoyed an intimate friendship with Judge Lankford, and from our first meeting it has been well known that he came to Cisco to regain his health, and to quit politics. In his native state of Arkansas he has enjoyed political honors at the hands of his constituents, having held legislative and judicial positions, but he says he ruined his health in hard fought, successful political contests, and it is and ever has been his purpose to eschew politics, so far as seeking office for himself.

To the many importunities of those zealous friends he has made the same answer: "I am not in politics," but it seems that the call for his services as a Moses to lead the tax-ridden people out of the wilderness of oppression is getting beyond his power to refuse. No man has a right to deny a spontaneous and practically unanimous appeal from his people. Whether he will capitulate to the importunities of those who demand that he allow his name to be used as a candidate for the office of county judge the Citizen cannot say. But we do know that he is sincere when he says he is out of politics. But the Citizen believes that Judge Lankford is too honest, too patriotic to turn a deaf ear to the appeal that appears to be nothing short of drafting for the office.

Office Must Seek the Man
And we also know that his health will not permit him to make a strenuous fight to win the nomination, and should he consent to allow his name to be used it will be only after he is convinced that there is a preponderance of preference on the part of the voters for his services. And then it will be necessary for those favoring his candidacy to get behind him and make the fight in his behalf. In no sense is he a candidate, or seeking the nomination, and if he should be elected this

(Continued on page 4)

Depression Barbecue A Great Hospitality And Care Eliminator

Sponsored by W. J. Armstrong, Will St. John, Frank Harrell, and other members the Cisco Country club, a "depression barbecue" was staged on the lawn of the Cisco Country club Monday night. About 200 or 300 guests were present to partake of the hospitality of those gentlemen whose only object in pulling a stunt of this nature was to bury, for the time being, all cares and worries resultant from the seige of Hoover prosperity that has held the nation in its grasp practically ever since Al Smith was defeated for the presidency.

The only excuse offered for this splendid hospitality, as the sponsors declared, was "everybody is broke, so why not gather and feast on such choice viands as toothsome barbecue, black coffee and relishing accessories?" So there you are.

A large quantity of beef and four chevons were procured for the feast. With Bob Mancill in charge, the pit at the Country club grounds was soon glowing with live coals, over which the meats were soon giving forth an aroma that would tempt the palate of the most chronic epicure.

Early in the evening the crowd began to gather till the meat was cooked to a delicious brown, and with Frank Harrell assisting in the carving, Mancill soon had a spread over the improvised tables fit for the gods. Pickles, onions, hot buns, coffee (black or with cream) completed the menu that caused all to linger at the festive board, each reluctant to depart, only wishing their capacities were greater that they might consume more.

Previous to the announcement "supper is served," the crowd mingled together in pleasant comradeship, talking business—some—but mostly politics. After the feast the fun-making commenced in the club building, and songs, laughter and stunts were enjoyed till a late hour.

To many it was inconceivable just what was the occasion for such a feast as this. They could hardly understand that it was just an overflow of hospitality for the purpose of bringing Cisco men together, that we might mingle and be merry in spite of the depression. Efforts were made to induce some to introduce political speaking, but these efforts were frowned down, and the guests had to conclude it was just a social gathering.

For many former Ciscoans, now living in other places, it was a home-coming, for they responded to the invitation with alacrity, and came in early to be present for the feast.

Nothing occurred to spoil the perfect arrangements, and every person present enjoyed the hospitality to the limit.

Cisco Art Treasures To Be Shown 2 Days At Mancill Building

The announced exhibition of art by the federated clubs opens this morning in the Mancill building, where the public is invited to admire the treasures shown in the world of art today and Saturday. The display consists of those pieces of art owned by Cisco people, or created by local folk, and as might be expected Cisco homes have contributed some rare specimens to the exhibit. Concerning the display Mrs. H. G. Bailey says:

The art exhibit recently announced for Cisco by the First Industrial Arts Club is proving to be a subject of much interest, not only to the people of Cisco, but to those of surrounding communities.

It will be surprising to know that many of our best citizens have created real works of art in paintings and etchings, while others have excelled in handiwork and needle-work. Many of these will be on display at the Mancill building on Friday and Saturday, April 1st and 2nd. About 150 to 200 paintings alone are expected to be entered in this exhibit.

Most people are attracted by things of beauty, but do we really appreciate art? It is with us everywhere. Its beginnings lie in the remote civilizations of the past. In art, more than in any other province of the world's history, we are indeed the heirs of all the ages.

Love, sorrow and worship are the powerful human emotions that have inspired the theme of pictures the world calls great. In each passing century art becomes more noble than before, loses more of the things that do not count, and grows to be a very real part of the life of a nation. Great men have spent their lives working out their ideals of purity in line and color.

Almost every man, woman, and child has inherited, in some degree, the instinct which is the beginning of art. There is a latent sense of beauty and imagination in the souls of all people. Art has been present as a living force in the world for some sixteen thousand years. In a way, it has become a great science. We should never count an hour wasted that is spent in looking at these treasures—for every time our hearts are moved by beauty our souls are marching on.

It is the hope of this Club that this exhibit will be gratifying to all who see it, and that some boy or girl may be inspired, who will strive to achieve the unattainable in the realm of art.

GARRETT'S RABBITRY AD IN TODAY'S CITIZEN

John Garrett, located on East 18th street, south of the Blue and White tourist camp, is advertising fresh young rabbits as one of the choicest family dishes. Those who have bought these rabbits for table use pronounce them to be most delicious food. They are very cheap, as he is selling them dressed and ready to cook for 50 cents each. Then Mr. Garrett has pedigreed rabbits for breeding stock.

Citizens Should Protest This Unnecessary Expense at This Time; Other Projects Needed

The city commission, in session last Monday, called for bids for the removal of the standpipe on West Fourth street. It is understood that some of those living in that vicinity have made complaint about the standpipe remaining in its present location, and in support of their claim have invoked an old agreement alleged to have been made with the city that the standpipe would be removed in consideration of certain parties building in that locality.

It seems, according to those petitioning its removal, that before the Foxworth and Garrett residences were erected, just west of the standpipe, that the city agreed to move it to another location. However, that was about 14 years ago, and no serious damage has resulted to this date, and to those who believe the city authorities should practice, as well as preach economy, will doubtless oppose the expenditure of the money necessary to remove this water reservoir at this time. Cisco has no money to spend that is not absolutely necessary, and certainly now is no time to incur an expense of something over \$5,000 or \$6,000 just for the sake of spending. Cisco has more crying needs for other improvements. For instance, a settling basin at Lake Cisco, agreed to be installed a few months ago, is still an unfinished project. Better, by far, this project should be completed before any steps are taken to squander such a sum that will be required to remove this standpipe.

People, wake up. Send in your protest against the removal of this standpipe at this time. When the city adjusts her bonded indebtedness, and completes other projects of more urgent need, then, if funds are available, skid the standpipe to a new location and none will object. The time is not ripe for useless expenditure of city funds.

It is also stated that the water structure is not in the state of repair, that it is weak on its foundations, and were it to collapse would endanger property. But it seems to the Citizen this could hardly be the case, as there is no property very close to the standpipe. The nearest residences are across the street. Probably were the tower to blow toward the east the building owned by R. T. Porter might be damaged, but the decline at that point is so sharp that the water would flow down the hill before any considerable damage could be done, as the street at that point is a deep cut, which would serve as a channel to carry the water away as soon as the tower tumbled.

But all this is mere speculative, as it is probable, if not molested, the tower would remain erect when the present generation shall have passed away.

Surely with five men and a mayor on the city commission there should be some one who would attempt to block useless expenditures of the city funds.

In response to the plea of the chamber of commerce for funds to complete Cisco's quota to purchase right of way for the Bankhead highway cut-off the commission instructed the directors of the chamber to use funds from its own budget for this purpose, and later, should the commerce body needs funds, the commission would endeavor to reimburse the budget.

The commission promised representatives of the XXth Century club to pave Avenue G, between Sixth and Seventh streets, which will be in front of the new location of the Public Library. The XXth Century ladies told the commission that it was the intention of the club to erect a brick building in which to house the library.

Upon the recommendation of J. T. Elliott, sanitary com-

(Continued on page 4)

Naming Teachers to Be After New Trustees Organize the Board

At a called meeting of the school trustees of Cisco Independent school district, last Saturday night, the naming of teachers for the school year of 1932-33 was deferred till after the election of the school trustees to be held tomorrow. After the new board is organized they will proceed to fill all places in the faculty of the Cisco public schools. The citizens heartily commend this action of the retiring trustees, for it is only fair that the incoming school administration should have something to say about those who will be named to conduct the public schools of the city. All places are to be filled with the exception of superintendent, the old board having re-elected R. N. Cluck a few weeks ago.

There was a sharp reduction in salaries when the present board met Saturday night to form the budget for the coming school year. Nearly all positions were pruned down at a saving estimated at \$6,000 below that of the present year. In addition other savings will be effected in the budget by the elimination of some teachers, which was found could be done on account of discontinuance of the South Ward school.

Superintendent Cuts Salary
While the pruning knife was functioning R. N. Cluck, superintendent, voluntarily asked that his salary be reduced from \$3,600 per annum to \$3,300, effecting another saving. The adoption of the budget was on the report of the committee which had spent some time previously in going over the items with the end in view to keep the expenditures down to a point within the income, that the schools might not be impaired, and not endanger the full term period of nine months sessions.

Communications were read from the high school supervisor, of the state department of education, highly commending the school authorities for improvements inaugurated, especially in the school library. Another com-

(Continued on page 4)

THE CISCO WEEKLY CITIZEN

R. W. H. KENNON, Editor-Publisher

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

105 West Broadway CISCO, TEXAS
A CISCO-OWNED NEWSPAPER
 SUBSCRIPTION RATES: ONE YEAR \$1.00

Entered as second class matter July 24, 1930, at the postoffice at Cisco, Texas, under the act March 2, 1873.

When brought to the editor's attention any erroneous reflection upon any person, firm or organization will be cheerfully corrected.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God have prepared for them that love him.—I Cor. 2:9.

"I hold it a changeless law,
 From which no soul can sway or swerve,
 To have that in us which will draw
 Whate'er we need or most desire."

Our eyes and our minds behold that for which we look. If we expect to see good, no power can keep good from our sight. It is possible so to train the vision that only the spiritual side—the real of a person or thing—is visible to us.—Church Visitor, Dallas, Wis.

THE DECADENCE OF WEST TEXAS C. OF C.

Year by year, it seems, that the once militant organization, known as the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, which was a power for good, not only in West Texas, but its influence was felt throughout the state, is fast falling into a state of innocuous desuetude. But that was when Porter Whaley was the ruling spirit that directed its destinies; then it was in flower. In fact, Porter Whaley was the West Texas chamber of commerce. He made, it, builded it to its high state of development. But Whaley left. From then on the decadence of the organization gradually, but surely, has been apparent.

But the ruling powers of the West Texas body are making a bid again for life, if not for popularity. Its latest is opposition to payment of the soldiers' bonus certificates, which is likely to prove about as popular as a W. C. T. U. delegate at a bartenders' picnic.

The West Texas chamber of commerce has gone on record opposing the bonus payments on the false grounds of economy, which, as a relief to the federal treasury will be about as important as the Hoover drive against the individual hoarding of the few people who have a small saving stored away for old age. These birds who would deprive the soldiers of the bonus payments are about as patriotic as those financial buccaners who grew rich over night while the men who made it possible for them to amass fortunes, were dying in the trenches in France.

The editor of the Cisco Citizen was too old for military service in the world war, but did tender his services in the commissary department, but of course was rejected. However, he said then, and is still voicing it, that veterans of that war should have preference for all public office or place, and by no means should be deprived of bonus payments. And, they need it now. This money put in circulation would go far to relieve unemployment in many sections, and be the means of keeping many veterans off the charity rolls of the country. Legion posts all over the land are today feeding thousands; reports come that the Fort Worth post is feeding over 300 every day; last week John William Butts post of Cisco, fed 34, at a cost of \$1 to \$3 each, and for several weeks past have fed about the same number. Naturally, the resources of these posts are limited, and these veterans cannot subsist on charity forever. What will be the result when resources are gone, and charitable organizations can no longer supply the means to keep these veterans, and others alive? What would one expect, except a wave of crime and disorder? Hunger will make a criminal out of an honest man. Crigger Paschall said in addition to the feeding of 34, various sums have been given for supplies, gasoline, etc.

But aside from this plea. The veterans are asking for no more than they are justly due. The government never turns a deaf ear to the financial interests of the land. Why hold up a just debt for those patriots who are honest and loyal citizens?

Mr. Paschall, who was one of the founders of the local post, says that the immediate payment of the remaining 50 per cent of the soldiers' bonus would do more to relieve distress, and alleviate local suffering and unemployment than the two billion dollar loan the government has just allowed to refinance big business.

And yet, the West Texas chamber of commerce would deny these patriots the measly pittance, comparatively, which the government is in honor bound to pay.

But the West Texas chamber of commerce is in a bad way. It knows it is slipping, and something must be done. Seeing the tax payers move over the state is proving popular in its program of lower taxes and more efficient service, is hogging in on that line, and fostering a counter movement, similar, but doubtless for only certain interests.

But a fight on the Legionnaires is the first act of suicide, and the demise of the West Texas chamber of commerce, unless a reaction sets up, may be prophesied. And, when it passes, the epitaph on its tomb most appropriate will be, "Slain by its Own Hand."

SHAME, LONCY! YOUR ZEAL BEFOGS MEMORY

Way down in Jim Wells county, in the town of Alice, C. Loncy Tanner, an old friend of the editor of the Citizen, publishes the Alice News, and conducts a "column" under the heading of "Brainstorms." Ordinarily Loncy, as his intimates know him, is truthful, but is an ardent prohi., and sometimes his "brainstorms" run true to form. The following is a sample:

"Heard a man with gray about his temples say the other day that he had seen 100 drunk men in one saloon and I can go him one better and make the truthful statement that I have seen on Sundays saloons full of both drunken women and men, but that was away back in 1889 before Texas had either enacted the Sunday saloon closing law or had made an effort to enforce it. Not more than twenty years ago it was a regular Saturday afternoon occurrence for the calaboose back of my printing office to be filled to overflowing with drunks—both men and women. Those were the days of the legalized saloon when you now-a-days hear that women never drank. Bah!"—Alice News.

My! The prohibition bug "do" make a fellow utter rash statements. But, Loncy you should not slander Regal Rockdale in such a reckless manner. We were both citizens of the old home town then, and I am going to call your statements in more than one particular. In the first place I don't think that either your or the man with gray about his temples ever "saw 100 men drunk in one saloon" at any one time, and if you refer to about the time the "calaboose back of my printing office," and the locality as Regal Rockdale, you never saw "on Sundays saloons full of both drunken men and women."

In the first place there were no saloons open in Rockdale on Sunday at the time "the calaboose was back of my office." If you saw any drunk men in saloons on Sunday in that town you went to the back door to see them. Some of the saloons did violate the Sunday law, but not by keeping their

doors open. A real thirsty person might, and did, get drinks on Sunday by going around in the alley and entering through the back door, but you never say a "drunk woman" in any of the saloons in that town. In fact, I don't think you ever saw a woman in a saloon in Rockdale. They were not allowed in there, as the officers not only made an effort, but did enforce the Sunday laws, as "old Neiman" was often before the justice court, over which I had the honor to preside, for such violations.

But your inference to "drunken women" is an unpardonable slander upon the womanhood of Rockdale, if I am correct as to the time and locality, as the natural inference is you were referring to respectable white women, as there were no other class of white women denizens of the town. Probably you may have seen a few drunken negro women, but your statement "not more than twenty years ago it was a Saturday afternoon occurrence for the calaboose back of my office to be filled to overflowing with drunks—both men and women," aside from being slanderous, is manifestly untrue, when it is known that Rockdale had only one calaboose, and it contained only one room. No officer would disregard the law so brazenly as to "fill it to overflowing with both men and women drunks."

I am not writing this to justify the open saloon, for

I hope to never see that institution re-established in this state, but in defense of as moral a little city as there is in Texas, a town that has been kind to both you and I. I love the town, and I love the people too well, especially its women, to attempt to cast such a stigma upon them as to utter such a rash statement, even to bolster up such a cause as the "noble experiment."

Yes, those were "the days of legalized saloons" and the white women of Rockdale whom I knew "never drank," and I believe I knew them all "not more than twenty years ago. Bah!"

Sorry to spoil your nice little story, Loncy, but I can't let such a slander on the womanhood of our little old town remain unanswered. Keep the record straight, and stick to the truth, even though in defense of the "noble experiment."

A teacher was drilling her class in the principles of subtraction. "Now, if you subtract 25 from 37, what's the difference?"

"Yeah, that's what I say," answered one of her pupils. "I think it the bunk, too."

For Rent--One of the nicest little homes in Cisco. Well furnished. The low price will surprise you. Inquire at The Citizen office.

Blue Bird and Silver Leaf FLOUR

HIGHEST PATENT

Diamond Cream MEAL

All Kinds of Feed and Seed

A Choice Line of GROCERIES

carried in stock I can supply your Grocery Needs

WE PAY BEST PRICES FOR Country Produce

R. H. BOON

208 W. Broadway :: Cisco

Tree Pruning

I can furnish Shade, Nut or Fruit Trees—Grapes and Berries. See me.

Will Supervise Setting

A. CHAS. SMITH
 At Shaffer's Sign Shop

Genuine Repair Parts

CASE
 Grand Detour
 Emerson-Brantingham
 Osborne

It is very important that you get parts that are made for your particular machine when making repairs. Other parts are injurious to its best performance. We can supply you with anything you may need - and we are ready at all times to assist you.

McDonald Hardware

Used Car Parts

Special 6 Studebaker Motor
 Ford Motor.

Dodge Chassis for Light Truck
 200-gals. Tank on Trailer.

Some Used Tires.

First Class Mechanical Work on
 All Cars, by HARRY GRINDER at ...

117 East 6th Street

WHITE STAR

REFINING COMPANY

Independent Refiners
 and Marketers of

GASOLENE, KEROSENE
 and Lubricating Oils

PHONE 29.

CISCO, TEXAS

TYPEWRITER BARGAINS!

1 Monroe Calculator \$75
 Good Condition—a Real Buy

1 CORONA TYPEWRITER \$30
 Black and Gold model—Guaranteed

1 10-inch L. S MITH \$30
 Factory rebuilt. In good condition.

1 10-inch WOODSTOK \$20
 In good condition. Real bargain.

1 10-inch REMINGTON \$20
 In fair condition.

1 No. 11 OLIVER \$15
 In good condition. ONLY.....

We Repair and Rent Typewriters

Dealers for L. C. Smith, Corona and Smith-Corona.

The COMMERCIAL PRINTING Co.

Phone 5. 709 Ave. E.

"Each Customer Supplied Is A Customer Satisfied"

A DOLLAR'S WORTH

Clip this coupon and mail it with \$1 for a six weeks' trial subscription to

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

Published by THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PUBLISHING SOCIETY
 Boston, Massachusetts, U. S. A.

In it you will find the daily good news of the world from its 800 special writers, as well as departments devoted to women's and children's interests, sports, music, finance, education, radio, etc. You will be glad to welcome into your home so fearless an advocate of peace and prohibition. And don't miss Snubs, Our Dog, and the Sunday and the other features.

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, Back Bay Station, Boston, Mass.
 Please send me a six weeks' trial subscription. I enclose one dollar (\$1).

(Name, please print)

(Address)

(Town)

(State)

Sample Copy on Request

J. F. Cunningham Criticises W.T.C.C. Bonus Payment

Judge J. F. Cunningham, veteran Abilene attorney and former member of the Texas legislature, writes the Cisco Citizen in criticism of the opposition of the West Texas chamber of commerce's attitude to immediate payment of the soldiers' bonus certificates. "Wonder how many of these distinguished economists have ever seen a German helmet," appropriately asks Cunningham, and suggests a way to pay these bonus certificates in silver certificates, issued by the government from interest on

the war debt. Judge Cunningham's communication is worth reading, and follows: To the Cisco Citizen:

I see the West Texas chamber of commerce have come out against the payment of the Soldiers' Bonus certificates.

I wonder how many of these distinguished economists have ever seen a German helmet on a German soldier?

The boys who hold these bonus certificates all saw service in the World War. They were poor then and are poorer now and live in every nook and corner of this nation. The money paid them would go into immediate circulation among the plain people without having to trickle down from the big banks to the smaller ones and finally a little of it reach the little bank and a little of that loaned to the little fellow at home.

They put their objection on the ground of economy. All the soldier boys want economy, but they want a little money along with it.

If it were not for the power of the owners of the hoarded gold over Congress and the Republican administration these bonus certificates could be paid without the expenditure of a single dollar of the taxpayers' money.

Congress could pass a law permitting foreign countries to pay us the interest on what they owe us in silver. Then congress could provide for the coinage of this silver, then further provide that silver certificates be issued and delivered to the soldier boys in place of their bonus certificates. These silver certificates could be made legal tender for the payment of all debts and also for the payment of export and import duties. This done and these silver certificates would float as money among the plain people and pay debts just like gold certificates. If the owner of one of them wanted it paid he could go to the treasury and get the silver dollars. Tens of thousands of the soldiers who hold these certificates are now raising five cent cotton and thirty cent wheat and realizing about two bits a day for their labor. They would be glad to get a few silver dollars and quarters to carry around with them to pay debts, and if they were around the West Texas chamber of commerce gentlemen they could buy a few five cent cigars with this silver and treat these distinguished gentlemen and encourage them along their lines of economy.

Very truly yours,
J. F. CUNNINGHAM.

"Just one more glass and then we will all go home," said the dishwasher, as he laid down the soap. An attractive advertisement speaks of "suits for the trim business man." For the business man already trimmed, we suppose, the same old suit will have to do.—Boston Herald.

Taxpayers Invite Commissioners at County Tax Rally

County Judge C. L. Garrett, County Commissioners V. V. Cooper, Ranger; Birt Britain, Cisco; Gilford Gray, Gorman; and J. D. Snearley, Rising Star, together with County Auditor W. S. Michael, have been invited by the Eastland County Taxpayers' association to meet with members of the association at the courthouse in Eastland on the afternoon of April 2, for the purpose of discussing together the financial affairs of the county. It is presumed that Judge Garrett, the commissioners and Mr. Michael will accept the invitation however nothing has come from them so far regarding the matter.

The invitation to the county officials named to attend the April 2 meeting and take part in the discussion of the county financial affairs was extended by the County Taxpayers' association at its last meeting in Eastland.

At a recent meeting of the association among other resolutions adopted was one asking the commissioners' court not to make any contract for the collection of delinquent taxes and if one was already in effect to cancel same if possible. Another resolution asked the court to take steps to obtain some manner of relief for the taxpayers on county bonds and to reduce county expenditures as much as possible—Eastland Chronicle.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH SERVICES

The lesson-sermon subject is "Unreality" in all churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, April 3.

The golden text is from Psalms 119:89, 104. "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven. . . . Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way."

Included in the service is the following passage from the Bible (Matthew 6:24): "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

The lesson-sermon also embraces the following citations from the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy (pages 346, 277).

"Material beliefs must be expelled to make room for spiritual understanding. We cannot serve both God and mammon at the same time; but is not this what frail mortals are trying to do? . . . If goodness and spirituality are real, evil and materiality are unreal and cannot be the outcome of an infinite God, good."

TWO SMALL FIRES

The fire department responded to two alarms this week. Monday to the Vance Littleton home, where the garage was burned. Wednesday the call was Tenth street and Ave. F, where the debris of the old A. L. Mayhew home burned some time ago, was aflame.

"If you spend so much time at golf you won't have anything laid aside for a rainy day."

"Won't I? My desk is loaded up with work that I've put aside for a rainy day."

A report reached Cisco late Thursday that barn and car of Grady Boggs was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Particulars were not obtainable.

WANTED—Wood stove. Phone 87, or apply 503 W. Seventeenth street. — Mrs. Oscar Comer. 25ffc

MORAN MAN CHARGED IN POLL TAX CASES

Albany, March 29.—Two Shackelford county men, Will Townsend and I. E. Durham, were to be tried in county court here March 31 on indictments returned last week by the grand jury of 42nd district court charging illegal payments of poll taxes. The cases are misdemeanors.

Townsend, indicted in 14 cases, made \$1,400 bond and Durham, facing 13 charges made \$1,300 bond before Judge F. L. Kuykendall. Townsend was charged with preparing a list of names and agents for poll tax payments, and Durham with furnishing money to pay the polls. Penalty on conviction is a \$500 maximum fine.

Townsend is a candidate for county commissioner. Both live in the Moran community.

CARE MUST BE USED IN MARKING BALLOT

Cisco voters will participate in an election April 5 for three city commissioners. Much interest has already been aroused, and a large vote is anticipated. Naturally you will want your favorite candidate elected. So it behooves every person to understand how to mark their ballot. If you have any doubt about it seek advice from one of the election judges, and instructions will be cheerfully given.

In scratching the candidates you do NOT wish to vote for use a soft black pencil, but not with such heavy hand that the ballot will be mutilated. Mutilated ballots will not be counted. Do not write your name, or any other name, on the back of the ballot. If you do your ballot won't be counted. Place no mark opposite or on the name

of the candidate of your choice. Leave his name as it is printed, but place a black mark through the names of those you are not voting for. But if in the least bit of doubt, ask the judges.

Mabel: You know that men like talkative women as well as others, don't you? Geo: What others?

GARRITT'S .:. Rabbitry .:.

Pedigreed Breeding Stock Dressed rabbits delivered on order.

2 Blocks South Blue an White Tourist Camp . . . East 18th St. JOHN A. GARRITT, Owner

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are made subject to the action of the Democratic primaries in 1932 Candidates who have previously announced in this column will be carried in the city, precinct, county, or district offices, without additional fees.

All announcement fees are payable in advance. With each announcement a brief courtesy news write-up will be published free.

Rates are in line with other weekly newspapers and are as follows:

RATES	
City	\$ 5.00
Precinct	7.50
County Com	10.00
County	12.50
District	12.50

FOR JUDGE 88TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT:

JUDGE J. D. BARKER
BURETTE W. PATTERSON
FRANK SPARKS

FOR DISTRICT CLERK:

W. H. (BILL) McDONALD
(Re-election)
P. L. (LEWIS) CROSSLEY

FOR COUNTY CLERK:

W. C. (BILL) BEDFORD

FOR SHERIFF, EASTLAND CO.

VIRGE FOSTER
(For re-election)

FOR COMMISSIONER PREC. No. 4

ARCH BINT

FOR REPRESENTATIVE 107th

FLORIAL DISTRICT:
CECIL A. LOTIEF
of Cross Plains

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

PRECINCT NO. 6:

R. W. H. KENNON
J. H. McDONALD
(Re-election)

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Election April 5th, 1932—Three to be elected.

FOR CITY COMMISSIONER

J. H. STAMPS
W. R. SIMMONS
H. C. HENDERSON
W. R. (BOB) WINSTON
W. J. DONOVAN
(Re-election)
GEORGE D. FEE
J. R. BURNETT
(Re-election)

CISCO BANKING CO.

CHECKS ARE

"Legal Tender"

FOR ALL DEBTS

Due Me, or on----

Newly Fitted Glasses

DR. W. I. GHORMLEY

OPTOMETRIST

A. & A. Motor Co.,

The Place Where There is Always

A SALE

On Used Cars ONE MONTHLY Payment Down and 11 Months to Pay Balance

LOANS Of All Kinds

E. D. ANDERSON
617 Main Street

C. P. MOSLEY JAKE COURTNEY

Cisco Shoe Hospital

DISTINCTIVE HIGH GRADE REPAIRING FREE SHINE

Shoes Received by Parcel Post Repaired and Returned the Same Day

"If We Repair Um, You Can Wear Um."

708 Ave E

Cisco, Texas

PRICES REDUCED

13

Plate Fully Guaranteed Battery.... \$4.95

Exchange

Any Make Battery Recharged

50c.

Batteries and Electrical Equipment Inspected FREE!

Service on All Makes of Radios

Cisco BATTERY and ELECTRIC Shop

112 West Sixth-st.

Phone 505

Drive Your Cr With

White Star Gasoline

Refined in CISCO by the WHITE STAR REFINING CO.,

Independent Refiners and Marketers

GASOLINE, KEROSENE, LUBRICATING OILS

Keep Cisco Money in Cisco

By insisting on White Star Gasoline and Oils

Sold by these Cisco Stations

Lobo Service Station, Mayhew Trading Co., Schaeffer Bros. Garage
Broadway and Avenue F. Bill's Place, 11th and Ave. E. 1105 Avenue D.

Refinery Service Station—At Refinery, East 14th Street

Money Spent for Cisco Products Benefits Entire Community

J. L. LIGHTFOOT, Distributor of WHITE STAR REFINERY PRODUCTS. Cisco, Tex

Loboes Suspended By State Athletic For 1932 Season

Austin, March 30.—Cisco high school today was suspended by the state executive committee from participating in football games sponsored by the Texas interscholastic league next fall.

The action was taken by the state committee on recommendation of the district No. 3 football committee. Cisco was charged by Breckenridge with having used an ineligible player, Fred Hightower, in a game with Breckenridge last fall. The game was thrown out by the district committee. Hightower was alleged to have played at Cisco within 30 days of his transfer from Tyler.

Upholds Recommendation
"Upon recommendation of the district No. 3 football executive committee and after investigation, the state executive committee has suspended Cisco in football for 1932." Roy B. Henderson, athletic director for the league, stated following an extended meeting of the committee.

The suspension will not apply to Cisco's participation in other interscholastic activities.

The Oil Belt's schedule meeting, which has been delayed pending the Cisco verdict, probably will be called next Monday night. L. E. Dudley, district committee chairman, said last night. The session will be held in Eastland.

Cisco Farmers Are Slow Applying For Government Loans

Farmers of the Cisco country appear to be a little slow about applying for loans under the farm seed loan terms now being offered, according to President J. J. Collins, and Secretary J. E. Spencer of the chamber of commerce. "We have only had 24 applications for loans, ten of which were sent out Tuesday," Mr. Spencer said. "The terms of these loans are very liberal, and if the farmers in this section need financial aid to help them make a crop this year, they should avail themselves of this means of getting cheap money. Much of the objectionable red tape we had to go through last year has been eliminated, and the matter greatly simplified."

"I fear that many farmers are taking neighborhood rumors for facts, regarding these loans, as some have told me of objections that do not exist. I wish those who might be in need of financial aid would come in and discuss the matter with either myself or Mr. Collins. We will be glad to explain the terms of the loans, and if they will do this I believe we will be able to place more than one hundred loans in this section."

"But the time is slipping by, and if others wish to get loans they must act during April, for we must get all loans approved by April 30," Mr. Spencer states.

Naming Teachers To

(Continued from page 1.)

munication from the supervisor of vocational training was highly commendatory, complimented the work of E. H. Varnell, vocational teacher. Also the work in the home economics department, under Miss Willie Mae Snyder, was highly complimented by the department of education in the report received.

COLEMAN LAMP FOR SALE CHEAP

Practically new, gives excellent light, will sell cheap. Citizen office.

Demand Lankford

(Continued from Page One)

will be one case of the office seeking the man.

The Citizen editor was told only a few days ago, by a man who is also a candidate: "I will, if necessary, sacrifice my own political ambition to see Lankford county judge, and if he will allow his name to be used, regardless of my own candidacy, I shall work for his nomination just as much, or more, than I will to secure the nomination for the office I seek."

We all know that it is a rarity for men to be drafted for political jobs, but if the demand still gathers momentum, as now indicated, Lankford is destined to be drafted for county judge, and if so, he is too patriotic to refuse. But a political draft will be the only means of smoking him out.

But to have a man of Lankford's character at the head of affairs in Eastland county is worth the effort an oppressed, tax-ridden people can exert.

There is not enough money in Texas to buy him; there is not enough people in Eastland county to intimidate him; there is not sufficient ingenuity to beguile him or cause him to swerve from what he deems his duty to his constituents.

Trained in the law, he would carry in to the office a legal mind that would prove invaluable to the county, and place a man at the head of the county who would direct its affairs along right, just and legal paths, that would straighten out existing complications and avoid any breakers that might appear in the future.

Had we consulted Judge Lankford, and acceded to his wishes, this would never have been written. He will see it the first time after the Citizen has been published and mailed to its subscribers.

Bids Called For Re- moval Of Tower

(Continued from page 1.)

missioner, the body ordered 600 feet of three-quarter inch pipe to pipe the parks at Lake Cisco, that the flowers, shrubs and other plants might be watered during the dry season, and to furnish water to the picnicing grounds. Also an iced drinking fountain was ordered installed at the city hall.

The double charge for water to people living outside the city limits was abolished.

CONNALLY SUCCEEDS CRADDOCK ON FORCE

P. J. Connally is now day patrolman on the Cisco police force, having been appointed to succeed W. H. Craddock, who handed in his resignation this week to police commissioner Donovan. The cause of Mr. Craddock's resignation was occasioned by his recent appointment as acting postmaster of Cisco, succeeding F. A. Blankenbeckler, who was serving in like capacity, and who recently resigned. Mr. Blankenbeckler, some time ago, was granted a leave of absence to enable him to accept the position of liquidating agent of the closed Plainview First National bank.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS IRON WORKERS

Sealed bids will be received by J. B. Cate, City Secretary, for dismantling, moving and re-erecting a metal standpipe for the City of Cisco until 10 o'clock a. m., April 11, 1932. Specifications may be secured at the City secretary's office upon a deposit of (\$5.00) dollars to be returned upon submission of a bona fide bid upon the work or by returning the specifications before bids are opened. 32-2tc

Laguna Hotel Will Likely Open Next Week For Business

The Laguna hotel was sold at a bankrupt sale in Abilene last Wednesday when the American National Insurance company of Galveston, holder of a secured lien on the property for \$177,000, became the purchaser. The building was knocked down to the security holding company for \$100,000, exclusive of the furnishings. The hotel and coffee shop furnishings were bid in by the parties holding a chattel mortgage on this property for \$12,898.16.

Voluntary bankrupt proceedings were filed by the Cisco Hotel Co., owners, about one month ago, and was ordered closed by the referee in bankruptcy March 18. The Laguna was opened in March 1929.

The American National Insurance company, the same day, became the purchaser of the Settles hotel in Big Spring, a 15-story structure, also at bankrupt sale. The Settles sold for \$175,000, with the furnishings bringing \$50,000.

The Citizen is informed from an authoritative source that the Laguna will likely re-open some time next week as Judge Franklin Canady, president of the Southern National Hotel corporation, a subsidiary of the American National Insurance company, which will operate the Laguna, will be here tomorrow and will announce the date of opening. While the furnishings of the hotel and coffee shop were bid in by the lien holders, it is anticipated the hotel corporation will take them over at private sale.

Both the Laguna and Settles hotel will be operated by the Southern Hotel corporation.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the General Election for the City of Cisco, Texas, will be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 1932, in the City Hall for the election of three City Commissioners. By order of the City Commission.

(Signed)
J. T. BERRY, Mayor

Attest:
J. B. CATE,
City Secretary.

GEORGE LANGSTON LIES CRITICALLY ILL HERE

George Langston, pioneer Cisco citizen, is critically ill at his home here, following several months of illness, during which time he has been an invalid, confined to his home. Reports from the home say he no longer can take any substantial nourishment, and hopes of his recovery are almost despaired of.

GEORGE WEATHERBY CONTINUES IMPROVE

George Weatherby, who was seriously slashed last Friday afternoon, was doing as well as could be expected, according to reports to the Cisco Citizen Thursday.

Tim Ingram, charged with assault to murder, is in Eastland county jail.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Minix and little son, Fred Milton, of Jasper, Texas, arrived the latter part of the week for a visit to Miss Lorena Erwin here, and Mrs. Minix's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Erwin, in the Nimrod community. Mr. Minix returned to East Texas Tuesday, but Mrs. Minix and Fred Milton will continue their visit for some days yet.

LOST—Onyx ring set, with "WOW" inset in gold.—Finder please return to F. E. Shepard.

Jonah Donovan's Golden Record

Since Mr. Donovan has invited the public to scrutinize his past record as a city commissioner, we deem it wise before going to the polls and casting our ballots to return him as a guardian of our civic welfare, to his former place on said commission, to call the attention of Cisco taxpayers to a few of the high points in that record, to which he points with seeming pride.

On July 12th, 1920, the sworn records from Austin, State Comptroller's office, show that Mr. Donovan was present and voted yes to a proposition for the issuance of bonds to be paid by the taxpayers of the City of Cisco, without their vote, knowledge or consent, in the sum of \$100,000.

On the following Nov. 22nd he voted "yes" again and plastered another \$100,000 on the same unsuspecting citizens.

Still intoxicated, apparently with the power of his lofty political position, he then, May 9th, 1921, proceeded to vote "yes" on another issue of bonds to the tune of \$350,000.

Mr. Donovan's appetite for bonds being now partly assuaged, he tapered off on May 8th, 1922, with only an issue of another \$100,000, making in all a neat \$850,000 lien on the homes of our city, in violation of the statutes of the State of Texas and his oath of office.

Did you officially vote to put nearly a million dollars debt on us and our children, Mr. Donovan, ignorantly or designedly? Which horn of the dilemma are you going to take? What is your alibi? Were you elsewhere when these acts were done and are the auditors and the Comptroller just honestly mistaken? If you did these things ignorantly are you a suitable person to serve the people further? If you did them designedly, do they want you?

What can be your purpose, Mr. Donovan, in seeking re-election? Is it patriotism? Is it the salary? Can it be you are seeking to vindicate your GOLDEN RECORD, (\$850,000) to which you proudly point us? We are afraid that we fail to fully comprehend your platform, Mr.

Donovan, and as taxpayers who will have to pay your salary, we have a right to know.

Well, whether you wish to tell us or not, the people will answer the questions on next April 5th at the city hall, and cast their ballots, we hope, for Burnett, Winston, and Henderson, who are in no way mixed up with the past questionable finances of the city.

Any error in the above will gladly be corrected and given the same publicity as the foregoing article.

TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE
G. M. Meglasson, Chrm.
G. W. Daniels, Sec.
Political Adv.

BAPTIST REVIVAL AT EAST CHURCH SUNDAY

The East Cisco Baptist church is to conduct a revival meeting, beginning April 3, and running two weeks, closing April 17. Rev. W. R. Underwood of Bartlett, Texas, and formerly of Albany, will do the preaching. He needs no introduction to the public, as he is well known in this section of the state. He is a straight-forward gospel preacher, and we believe that both saint and sinner will enjoy these services. The music will be by local church talent, under the direction of G. A. Eppler. We extend to the public a most cordial welcome to attend this meeting, said Pastor Jas. L. Smart.

W. H. CRADDOCK TAKES CHARGE POSTOFFICE

W. H. Craddock, who received his commission as acting postmaster at Cisco last Friday, will take over the duties of the office today, presumably on the arrival of a postal inspector to check him in.

The new postmaster has been with the city police force since his residence in Cisco, and will no doubt make a popular official to Cisco people, as he is known to be courteous and obliging, and



CORRECT LIGHTING...

Will Save Your Eyes

There's nothing quite so cozy--these long winter evenings--as a good book, a restful chair, comfortable slippers and the old lamp. The finishing touch, to make the evening at home a rare treat and to add to the enjoyment of your reading, is good light.

Good lighting, more than anything else, will make your reading a genuine pleasure. The print will stand out plainly and your eyes will follow the text untriflingly. This absence of strain will double your enjoyment.

Lighting fixtures combining beauty and efficiency are so inexpensive--and the cost of adequate light so insignificant--that truly it's wise economy to use plenty of light. A courteous representative will be happy to inspect your home-lighting arrangements, and suggest beneficial changes if they're necessary. There's no obligation, of course.

West Texas Utilities Company

"Walton's Baby Contest"

Our 14th annual contest opened Saturday, March 26th and closes Saturday, April 9th. Only 100 babies to be entered. 9 big prizes---3 classes---3 prizes to each class.

Mothers do not wait until the last day to enter your baby.

WALTON'S STUDIO
407- --PHONE-- -407

MISSED BIG CYCLONE CISCO LADY BARELY

Mrs. Pill Parish, who is visiting relatives in Jasper, and other North Alabama towns, was a near victim to the disastrous cyclone which visited that section of the South. She writes her husband, Mr. Bill Parish of the Blease Motor Co., that she had passed through Northport only about ten minutes before the twist-er demolished the larger portion of that place. Mrs. Parish had been to Tuscaloosa to visit a relative, who is a student at the Alabama university, and had departed, going through Northport, Tuscaloosa suburb, only ten minutes when the cyclone came in all its fury.

well qualified for the duties of the office.

TRUSTEES ELECTION TO BE HELD AT CITY HALL

The election for three school trustees of the Cisco independent school district will be held tomorrow at the city hall. E. E. Keen, R. W. Mancill and A. M. Williams, will hold the election.

Successors to J. E. Spencer, Dr. F. E. Clark and F. D. Wright are to be named. Those who have filed their names for the vacancies are Jack Winston, A. J. Olson, R. A. Richardson, J. E. Spencer, F. D. Wright and Dr. F. E. Clark. The last three to succeed themselves.

Sunday the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Karkolits was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars by fire from an undetermined cause.