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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

The honesty of a Citizen-Free Press route boy restored a considerable sum to a Cisco merchant and, incidentally, gained him the gratitude of that merchant and a nice cash reward. He is Carl Bartine, 12, son of Larry L. Bartine who was killed shortly before Christmas in a hunting accident at Lake Cisco.

Sunday morning while delivering the Tenth street route, Carl found a purse lying on the sidewalk near the home of S. R. Woods. The purse contained about \$30 in cash and two checks, one drawn on Hyatt and Woods grocery, making a total of about \$50.

There was no means of definitely identifying the purse, so the boy took it to his step-mother. The two sought the aid of M. H. McCanlies, who lives across the street from them, and the three prepared to go to J. H. Hyatt's home that afternoon to trace ownership of the money. Mr. Woods, however, who was looking for the lost purse, went to the bartine home after learning the name of the boy who carried the route that morning, and the money was restored to him. Carl received a nice cash reward and the thanks of the merchants.

It ought to be of interest to Cisco people to know that the Broadway of America is now paved 100 per cent—the only transcontinental route in the United States to be so. The last unpaved sector was a 32-mile stretch between Road Forks and Rodeo in New Mexico. Cisco folks may think they can be of little benefit in advertising this route. But they can. They can talk with motorists, advising them that the route is open, and they can mention the Broadway of America in letters they write to friends and relatives in other parts of the United States.

As a fisherman I am told that Homer McDonald has set a Spartan mark for F. D. Wright to swim for. The story goes that Homer was at Lueders on a mission of business the other day when, chancing to pass a stream where fish, disporting in the icy waters, were too tempting a sight for his sportsman blood, he took off his clothes and dived in to grabble for them. Homer has been and is quite a fisherman, but I think he deserves credit for being something else after that.

Forrest has been the recipient from two distant and unrelated sources lately of a cartoon clipping from the Literary Digest. Both arrived anonymously, and without comment, but the story was too graphically told by the artist to require any remarks of explanation.

It depicted two bewildered rescuers bearing between them a large flake of ice in which the hapless wearer of a swimming suit was frozen. Exclaimed the large wife of the victim who met this curious procession at the door: "See, Henry, I told you not to stay in that water too long!"

Constable Joe Hicks broke up the party at Lake Cisco the other night when he herded about 30

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Assignments of Lotief-Davison

While not having been accorded the honor of being appointed chairman of any of the important committees of the house, yet our representatives in the lower house of representative did not fare so bad. Both Lotief and Davison were named on several of the most important committees by Speaker Coke Stevenson. The committees on which Lotief and Davison will serve are as follows:

Lotief—Member of committees on revenue and taxation, oil, gas and mining, commerce and manufacture, municipal and private corporations.

Davison—Member of committees on labor, privilege, suffrage and elections, state affairs, federal relations, highways and motor traffic, congressional and legislative districts.

Diplomas to Be Given 28 7th Graders

Twenty-eight boys and girls admit that Friday will be one of the most important days in their lives. These young men and women are going from seventh grade in grammar school to be freshmen in the Cisco high school.

Dr. David F. Tyndall, president of Randolph college and pastor of the First Christian church, will be the speaker in exercises Friday evening at the high school building when the certificates of graduation from the grammar school will be given them.

For these exercises Miss Kathleen Alexander will be valedictorian and Miss Rubea Garrett salutatorian.

Graduates

Those graduating are: Kathleen Inez Alexander, Elinor Elizabeth Gleason, Marie Hunterman, Rubea Frances Garrett, Elizabeth Sue Witten, Olene Sisk, Grade Dean Ivie, Theda Smith, Nellie Margaret Finley, Hollis Alkire, Estella Marie Pearce, La Verne Laster, Charlene Cooper, Elsie Swindle, Linna Jean Thompson, Johnnie Hightower, Gladys Juanita Finley, Raymond Paul Green, Spurgeon Parks, Jud Wagener Parks, Elton Gamblin, Frank Lowell Turner, Claxton Wilson, Abner Wright, Eldon Anderson, Hubert Kennedy and Billy K. Dawkins.

The program is as follows:

Proclamation, Paul Green; Invocation, Rev. Frank Turner; Salutatory, Rubea Garrett; Violon solo, Sue Witten accompanied by Mrs. Krauskopf; Valedictorian, Kathleen Alexander; Class poem, La Verne Laster; Harp selection, Billy Dawkins; Piano solo, Rubea Garrett; Address, Dr. David Tyndall; Presentation and acceptance of diplomas.

Peanut Contract Signing Here Is Slow This Week

Signing of contracts under the government's new peanut acreage reduction program has been slow here as elsewhere over the county, members of the Cisco committee, Robert Tucker and Oscar Schaefer, said Thursday.

Mr. Schaefer reported that shortly before noon 18 contracts had been completed, 17 were incomplete and cards, directing measurement of acreage in preparation for filling out contracts had been sent to 30 growers.

The committee will be located at the chamber of commerce offices for the remainder of this month. January 31 is the final date upon which advantage may be taken of the contract opportunity, it was warned.

Represented in contracts completed at the time of the report were about 450 acres. The incomplete contracts covered about 400, making a total of 850 acres.

In the county, as a whole, it is estimated that 1,500 farmers are producing peanuts as a regular crop.

Hooker Promotion to Hamilton Co. Place

L. L. Hooker, Cisco relief officer for the past year, was to leave for Hamilton, Texas, Friday morning where he has been promoted to case supervisor for the relief administration in Hamilton county.

Succeeding him here will be J. W. Slaughter, Cisco case worker. Mr. Hooker came to Cisco from Gorman where he was relief officer. He has been with the relief service since its inception nearly two years ago.

Mrs. King Goes to Bedside of Father

Mrs. Sam King, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Martin, left Wednesday for Brenham to visit her aged father, J. H. Meyer, who has been ill for a long while. Mr. Meyer, who is 75, has steadily grown weaker during the past few days.

O. J. Russell has returned from Austin where he has been on business.

Nab Girls as Gangsters Flee



Alvin Karpis
An order to "shoot to kill" has been issued in the search for Alvin Karpis, left, so-called "Public Enemy No. 1," and his companion, Harry Campbell, who escaped after shooting their way out of a police trap at Atlantic City, N. J. The fugitives' sweethearts Winona Burdette, right, and Dolores Delaney, were captured by police in the trap.



Winona Burdette

Luse Will Probated Again; Recalls Eccentric Character

Though the will of the late J. E. Luse, of Cisco, who passed away Aug. 7, 1925, was duly filed for probate Aug. 22, 1925, and all the legal formalities observed, this will was refilled and the legal formalities again are being had in the probate court at Eastland.

This action was deemed necessary by persons who had purchased real property from the executor of the estate after the state supreme court had decreed in 1928 that the Eastland court-at-law was without probate jurisdiction. Prior to that time all probate matters were held in the county court-at-law. When the validity of that tribunal was attacked, the high court decreed that it not only had no jurisdiction in probate matters, but had no legal right to exist, and the court was abolished. Consequently litigation, especially probate matters, were held voidable, if not illegal.

Refiles for Probate

To correct the action of the invalid court in probating the will against the possibility of attack, Otto Wende, who purchased real property of the estate from the executor, refilled it for probate while the matter is still fresh in the minds of those living and court records are available. But even at this date, a little over nine years after the death of the principal, the original will of Mr. Luse cannot be located and one of the witnesses to its execution, G. L. Huestis, has also died as has the executor, R. A. St. John. The action of Mr. Wende thus appears timely. The property involved lies just south of the city limits and is one of the most valuable farm tracts adjacent to Cisco. So far as the Citizen-Free Press representative was informed Wednesday, this is the first major action brought to correct acts of the disqualified court.

Probate Petition

The probate petition just recorded, reads:

"Now comes Otto Wende, who resides in Cisco, and makes an amended application for the original application filed in this court on August 22, 1925, for the probate of the will of J. E. Luse, deceased, for an amendment of said original application, and says:

"J. E. Luse was possessed of real and personal property of the estimated value of \$60,000, and R. A. St. John was named as executor without bond, who returned an inventory of the property of the estate, believing he was legally authorized to discharge his duties as executor, and sold and conveyed certain lands and real estate belonging to said estate, among others to the said Wende a tract of land near the city of Cisco; and that on November 28, 1928, the supreme court of Texas decreed that the county court at law was without jurisdiction over probate matters, and the acts of that tribunal were null and void.

"And that the said R. A. St. John having passed away, the applicant, Otto Wende, being interested in having the will of J. E. Luse probated in this court having

"I am today in receipt of the following letter from Senator Connally which, I believe, would be of interest to your readers:

"Dear Judge Garrett: "Your communication of January 9th is before me. I have received a number of letters from my constituents concerning various old age pension plans, to each of them I have replied that I am studying the situation and would give all possible consideration to their views.

"It is almost certain that congress will adopt some form of old age pension legislation at this session of congress, but, of course, it is impossible to give in detail the exact plans that may be acted upon. You may be sure that I shall study all of the different plans suggested and try to act upon the matter in the best and most practicable manner."

"With cordial good wishes and personal regards, I am, "Sincerely, "TOM CONNALLY."

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Petitions for Old Age Pension Plan Are Sent Solons

The several petitions, signed by more than 3,000 Eastland county signers, which have been circulated in this county in favor of the Townsend old age pensions, have been transmitted by Judge Clyde L. Garrett to Sen. Tom Connally, who has sent an acknowledgment of receipt of same.

Judge Garrett has just released to the county press the correspondence relative thereto, in which it will be observed that Senator Connally pledges his support of one of the many measures in favor of old age relief. It is doubted, however, that the Townsend plan will be favored, but every indication is that some measure for the relief of the aged will be adopted at this session of congress.

Here is the correspondence relative to the petitions sent to Washington by Judge Garrett.

"Some weeks ago I sent Senator Tom Connally petitions addressed to him, Senator Morris Sheppard and Congressman Thos. L. Blanton, signed by about 3,000 citizens of Eastland county, petitioning congress to pass legislation at its present session, which will authorize the payment of an old age pension to our old people sufficient in amount to adequately take care of them. At the time I sent these petitions, I prevailed upon Mr. Connally and the other two members of congress above mentioned to strenuously urge and work for such legislation. I also told him that I felt the citizenship of Eastland county would be glad to know his views concerning the old age pension matter—that if he did not mind expressing them and the possibility of such legislation being passed at this session of congress to write me.

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Ciscoans in Crash That Killed Man

M. C. Tucker, Jr., Cisco barber, and his father, M. C. Tucker, Sr., mayor of Carbon, are in an Abilene hospital with serious injuries as the result of a collision near Abilene Wednesday which proved fatal to Hubert T. Reynolds of Baird.

The elder Mr. Tucker and his son, accompanied by the younger man's wife and small son, were en route to San Angelo early Wednesday morning when their machine was in collision with a car driven by Leland Jackson of Baird and also occupied by Reynolds and Mrs. Jewel Searcy. The Jackson car was returning from Abilene to Baird.

The collision occurred on a curve near Elmdale. The elder Tucker was driving his machine. Occupants said that the other car was travelling too fast to make the curve and that the Tucker machine pulled entirely off the pavement to avoid collision. The impact was so terrific that the motors of the automobiles were jammed together.

Throat Slashed
Reynolds, his throat slashed from ear to ear, died early Thursday.

The elder Mr. Tucker received a chest injury, a bad cut across the left side of the face, and lost three upper teeth.

M. C., Jr., sustained a double fracture of the jawbone, a bad cut on the lower lip and the loss of several lower teeth. His wife and their son sustained only bruises and scratches.

Mrs. Searcy's left leg was fractured at the knee and Leland's hand was mangled.

Mrs. E. J. Poe, a daughter of M. C. Tucker, Sr., and sister of M. C., Jr., her husband and Mrs. R. O. Sutton, mother of Mrs. Tucker, went to Abilene after the accident.

The injured were reported Thursday to be resting well. Prospect of removal from the sanitarium at Abilene was uncertain, however.

Plans Being Made To Revive Texas Exes in Oil Belt

Plans are under way here to revive the Oil Belt association of Texas Ex-Students, it has been announced. This association, which a few years ago numbered hundreds of ex-students of the University of Texas who met regularly each March 2 at a dinner in one of the oil belt cities, has been allowed to disband during the depression.

Now a movement is on foot to revive it. If agreeable with the ex-students in other oil belt cities, said Leon Maner Wednesday, arrangements will be made to hold the annual banquet here this spring.

These banquets in the past have been seasons of much fun and good natured practical jokes as well as practical value in keeping alive the sentiments and recollections that tie the former students to their alma mater. A speaker selected from the university faculty has always been given the place of honor upon the program.

419 Herefords Are Purchased for Ranch

Moving of 419 head of Hereford cattle from Seymour to the old Baldwin ranch near Haskell is being undertaken this week-end by Charles J. Kleiner of Cisco, who recently purchased the ranch from the Baldwin heirs.

Mr. Kleiner bought the cattle, all good Hereford foundation stock, from G. W. Higgins at a total cost of more than \$17,000, to stock his ranch. The number does not include calves. All of the stocker cows are coming twos and fours.

Cleveland Well Is Drilling at 250 Feet

The Hickok well on the Grover Cleveland farm, northwest of Cisco, spudded last Saturday, Thursday morning was drilling at 250 feet.

CAUTION---

Subscribers who receive their Citizen-Free Press by route boy are cautioned not to pay any boy for their paper unless the collector exhibits a Citizen-Free Press route book.

To protect subscribers against deception, the authorized route boys carry books containing a specially printed card for each customer. These books will also carry the signature of the circulation manager, Mrs. Margaret Beasley.

New Projects for Relief Work Call For Over \$10,000

Three new projects, calling for expenditures of more than \$10,000 in wages and for materials have been approved by the state relief administration for the Cisco area, it was announced this week by L. L. Hooker, Cisco relief administrator. Work is to begin Friday morning.

Chief of the projects from the standpoint of municipal interest is cleaning up the city dump ground and disposal plant. This calls for employing 50 unskilled laborers a total of 10,400 hours at 25 cents per hour and one time-keeper 208 hours at 45 cents per hour for a total of \$2,693.60 in wages.

The city will furnish only \$104 for supervision and time keeping, making a grand total of \$2,797.60, by far the greater part of which will be released in wages.

The largest of the projects from the standpoint of the money involved, is that for repairing and widening three miles of the Eastland-Bedford road at a point four and a half miles northeast of Cisco and the construction of a 50-foot bridge on that route. Rebuilding the fence, widening and grubbing the right-of-way, building the bridge and making a 600-foot fill are included in the project.

The job will employ 40 unskilled laborers, 18 skilled workmen and a foreman, all of whose wages will be paid by the relief administration. In addition the administration will contribute \$120 for trucks and equipment.

The project will be required to furnish \$1,179 for teams and trucks and equipment and \$2,554.50 for materials. The project will thus cost a grand total of \$5,983.50.

The third project calls for expenditure of \$1,424.60 for setting back fence on a mile and a half of lateral road in the Reich neighborhood near the Reich school house, and the construction of three culverts on that section.

Twenty unskilled laborers and four rock masons are provided for, whose wages will total \$950. The project will contribute \$152 for teams and trucks, \$242.60 for materials and \$80 for supervision, making a grand total of \$1,424.60.

Arch Birt, commissioner for precinct four, will supervise the road projects.

Rain Appreciated Says Mrs. Stroebel

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stroebel, well known citizens of the Lutheran community, were trading in Cisco Tuesday. We met Mrs. Stroebel while making some purchases at the Dean Drug Co., she said that they had a splendid rain, which was highly appreciated, but failed to enjoy the cold weather that followed. But the cold will be beneficial to the farmers, enabling them to kill hogs and save their meat. Feed has been scarce this winter, and the hogs that are fat enough will likely be killed during this cold snap, she said.

"But we were not at home when the blizzard struck this section last Sunday night. Mr. Stroebel and I have just returned from Wink, where we have been visiting our son, Fritz Stroebel, who is working for the Humble company.

"Yes, we enjoyed the visit very much, but I can't say that I would care to live out there. We live in a sandy land country, but it is a different sand from that which we found in the Wink country. It is largely an alkali dust, and when the wind is high those dust storms make ours look like a mere fog. But the boy has a good job and seems to be satisfied. I suppose a person can get used to anything."

Chevigny 'Pep' Talk For Loboes

The Cisco Loboes were given a sample of what the Texas University Longhorns get just before a crucial game when dynamic Jack Chevigny, coach at Texas and a former all-American member of Notre Dame's famous football teams, spoke at the annual Rotary-Lions Lobo banquet at the Laguna Hotel last night.

"Football is like life—it is competition, Chevigny told a squad of 32 Loboes and the combined membership of the two service clubs. "The person who can't 'take it' and 'give it,' who hasn't the heart and the courage to put out just a little better than the other fellow, can never rise above mediocrity into success and prominence."

He spoke of the favorable influence of football in the building of men and declared that he was in the game for the reason if offered opportunity to see his handiwork in the development of the character of the boys who are to be the citizens of tomorrow.

Tells Experiences
In two stirring accounts of his experiences—one as a player and the other as a coach—Chevigny developed his theme. He told how his team rose to supreme heights to defeat a greatly superior Army team in 1928 and he related in interesting detail, how a Texas University team went to South Bend last fall and brought back a 7 to 6 victory at the expense of his Alma Mater.

The program preceding Mr. Chevigny's address included two vocal solos by Marion Bruce; dance numbers by the class of Miss Maxine Francis, and a free hand drawing by C. C. Duff who drew a picture illustrating the song, "The Little Brown Church in the Vale." G. W. Collum at the piano played the measures of that song softly.

Mr. Collum and his band played during the dinner hour. B. A. Butler was toastmaster. Accompanying Mr. Chevigny to Cisco was Dick West, Texas post-graduate, journalism student and a Texas Rhodes scholarship nominee this year. Sitting with him at the table was the Cisco Coach Dexter Shelley, noted Texas University star and a player with the Chicago Cardinal professional team when Chevigny coached it in 1932.

\$5,500 For Personal Injury Asked in Suit

Last week the Citizen-Free Press carried a notice in the court news of the transfer of the suit of A. C. West of Cisco vs. the American Mutual Liability Insurance company from the 88th district court at Eastland, to the federal court at Amarillo, but did not identify the plaintiff in the case. This case is now pending in the federal court at Abilene, where West is suing the liability company to recover \$5,500 damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received while working on installing the Cisco Gas Corp. plant by the National Supply Construction company.

West assertedly received permanent injuries to the spine and muscles in his back on Aug. 21, 1934, while in the employ of the construction company at Cisco. The petition alleges the company was holder at that time of a policy issued by the American Mutual, conditioned according to provisions of the workmen's compensation law of Texas.

Judgment sought is for payment in a lump sum at the rate of \$13.85 for a period of 400 weeks from the date of the alleged injury, together with interest at the legal rate on all past due installments of compensation.

Classified Ads

WANT TO TRADE—\$400 equity in 1934 Chevrolet Town Sedan, good condition for Ford or Chevrolet that is clear, or will sell for cash. Write Box A, care Citizen-Free Press 28-1tp.

CASH FOR MULES—See Cisco Transfer and Storage Co. 27-2tp.

Leasing Activity Is Stimulated Over This Area

Many Transfers Are Revealed in County Records

Active trading in oil and gas leases, royalty rights and agreements in this section over the past few months is reflected in the records at the office of the county clerk at Eastland. The following partially covers the record. Many of the instruments executed in connection with such deals are not recorded immediately and it is impossible to develop a comprehensive account from these records, but the following will show that the extent of activity is considerable.

Humble Oil & Refining Co., to J. A. Bearman, oil and gas release covering leases on the following tracts of land in Eastland county; E 1-2 of SW 1-4 Sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.; E 1-2 of NE 1-4, sec. 84, blk. 4, H&TC sur.; E 1-2 of NW 1-4, sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.; 96 acres of the NW part of sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur. This transfer cancels a former contract between the parties here-to except as to the N 1-2 of 80 acres of the NW 1-4 of sec. 80, containing 40 acres of the Mrs. J. E. Kincade lands on which is located the Mrs. J. E. Kincade No. 1 well.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. to the Lone Star Gas Co., assignment of oil and gas lease, covering lands leased to J. M. Flournoy by Mrs. J. E. Kincade, John Kleiner, C. J. Kleiner, individually and as executors of the estate of Caroline Moore and guardians of Henrietta Moore, et al, insofar as it covers the E 1-2 of the SW 1-4 of sec. 81, blk. 4, H&TC survey in Eastland county. Also, assignment of oil and gas lease by J. M. Flournoy, of the foregoing described lease. Also, oil and gas lease of date of Feb. 13, 1934, by the city of Cisco to J. A. Bearman of 80 acres out of a 212 acre tract in sec. 84, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

Also, J. E. Kincade et al to J. M. Flournoy, oil and gas lease of 40 acres of the E 1-2 of the NW 1-4 of sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur. Also the assignment of the above lease to J. A. Bearman by J. M. Flournoy, insofar as it covers the 40 acres lease. Also Louise Phillips, independent executrix of the estate of Edwin T. Phillips, deceased, to J. M. Flournoy, 96.6 acres of the west part of the NW 1-4 of sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur. A reservation is made in this lease of 1-32nd part of the oil produced and 1-32nd part of the proceeds of the gas sold from said lease.

J. A. Bearman and J. M. Flournoy to Lone Star Gas Co., quitclaim deed to leases covering an undivided interest in and to the SW 1-4 of sec. 81, blk. 4, H&TC sur., Eastland county.

A. L. Mayfield et ux to Joe Evans, mineral deed to five acres out of the W. J. Garner sur.

George D. Callerman to J. T. Anderson, oil and gas lease of the N1-2 of the NW 1-4 of sec. 82, blk. 4, H&TC sur, containing 80 acres. Consideration 1-8th of oil and gas.

Dollie Fleming to J. T. Anderson, oil and gas lease, being out of the S 1-2 of the NW 1-4, sec. 82, blk. 3, H&TC sur. \$40 and other valuable considerations.

Nolie E. Pritchard and husband to B. E. Bigby, warranty deed conveying mineral rights to 28 acres on lands on the Leon river, and adjoining the lands of W. F. Hale. Consideration \$650.

J. A. Bearman to Humble Oil & Refining Co., oil and gas lease of 80 acres out of the N 1-2 of sec. 84, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

Jake L. Hamon to States Oil corp., assignment of one-half undivided interest in 160 acres out of the J. R. Stubblefield sur., No. 47. Also an undivided one-half interest in 120 acres oil and gas lease, of the S 1-2 of the SE 1-4 and NE 1-4 of the SE 1-4 of sec. 56, BBB&C sur., conveying 1-8th interest.

Bearman Oil Co. to Lone Star Gas Co., loan and purchasing agreement covering the leases described in the foregoing.

A. J. Olson et ux to Marion A. Olson, warranty deed conveying 2-3rd interest of the mineral rights in the SW 1-4 of sec. 98, blk. 3, H&TC sur.

Laura E. Murrell to G. A. Davis-

Aftermath of Prison Break



Charles Stephens, member of the California prison board, who was one of the hostages in the daring escape of four convicts from the San Quentin penitentiary, is pictured, top, talking to friends follow-

ing his rescue with other abducted board members from the convicts. Below, the bullet-punctured wall of a dairy at Valley Forge, Cal., where the four convicts were captured in a gun battle. One of the convicts was killed.

son, oil and gas lease of 80 acres in the W 1-2 of the NW 1-4 of sec. 30, blk. 2, H&TC sur.

J. T. Harper to W. E. Lynch and D. D. White, oil and gas drilling agreement on the south 40 acres of the W 1-2 of the NE 1-4 of sec. 29, blk. 2, H&TC sur.

Baltimore Oil & Gas Trust et al to Phillips Petroleum Co., casinghead gas purchasing contract covering 160 acres lease on the R. G. Teston pre-emption sur., and the Benson 1-3rd league.

C. H. Fee to the Lone Star Gas Co., right of way for pipe line on 80 acres in sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

B. W. Martin et ux to Lone Star Gas Co., right of way over 160 acres on sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

J. T. Hyatt to Empire Southern

Gas Co. of Gorman, right of way over lands situated in Eastland and Comanche county, with permit to remove present line and lay larger pipe.

Mrs. Alma Brewer and husband to Extension Oil and Royalty Co., mineral deed to land in sec. 26, blk. 1, H&TC sur., situated on Sabano creek in Eastland county.

Nancy McKinney et al to Lone Star Gas Co., oil and gas lease of 80 acres in the south part of sec. 83, blk. 4, H&TC sur., with drilling contract of one year limit.

Minnie L. Hill to Lone Star Gas Co., mineral and royalty deed to 20 acres in sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

Lone Star Gas Co. to Mrs. O. F. Sutton, release of oil and gas

Rain Arrived Just in Time, W.F. Ziehr Says Here Tuesday

W. F. Ziehr was in Cisco Tuesday in the best of humor. Asked the cause of his high spirits, he replied, "We have just had the best rain that I think I ever saw. Of course there have been heavier rains, and probably rains that we

appreciated just as much as the showers and intermittent downpours that came last week, but I don't think I ever saw a rain that came just in time. Grain is helped wonderfully, and there is a pretty good season in the ground, but we could have stood about one inch more without any damage."

"I noticed the Citizen-Free Press stated a few days ago that 'The prayer of the farmers were that the rain would beat the freeze.' Well, if they were praying like that it seems that the Lord has answered their prayers, and I want you to know that I am thankful that the rain beat the freeze. The moisture will be a great help to the grain, which had a dry freeze struck us there would hardly have been enough grain to feed a Billy goat. Now indications are there will be a good grain crop. I have about ten acres in grain, composed of rye, barley and oats, which is coming out nicely already."

"Of course the freeze will make this young grain a bit sickly for a time, but when the weather warms up and there are a few days of sunshine, a great difference will be seen."

"But I understand there was little rainfall west and north of Cisco. Those farmers out there on the hard land were in greater need of rain than we who live in the sandy lands south of Cisco. I was in hope this rain was general all over this section. But we can appreciate those things. Last summer when it was raining all around Cisco it was as dry as a bone in this section. Probably the god of rain is evening up matters, and it is now our time."

Humble Oil & Refining Co. to J. E. Bell, release of oil and gas lease of 40 acres on the NE 1-3 of sec. 65, H&TC sur.

R. H. Boon et ux to L. E. Dickerson, oil and gas lease of east 80 acres of the NE 1-4 of sec. 41, blk. 2, H&TC sur.

Waco Oil Co. to G. T. Butler, release of oil and gas lease, being a part of sec. 2, CTRR sur.

Alva Culp et al to E. E. Van-Eman, oil and gas lease of 160 acres of sec. 10, blk. 2 BBB&C sur.

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John Kleiner to Community Natural Gas Co., right of way on lands in sec. 80, blk. 4, H&TC sur.

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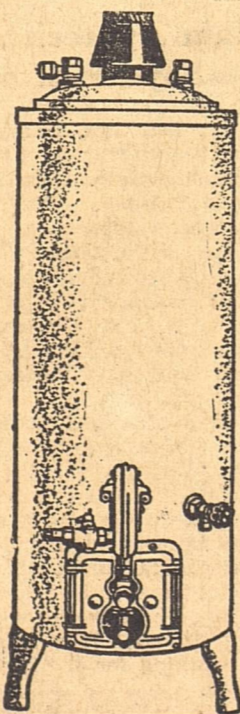
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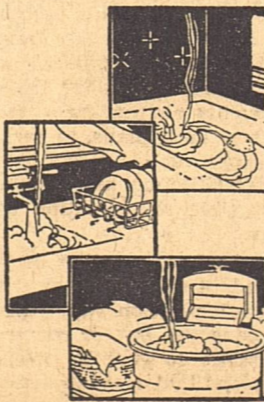


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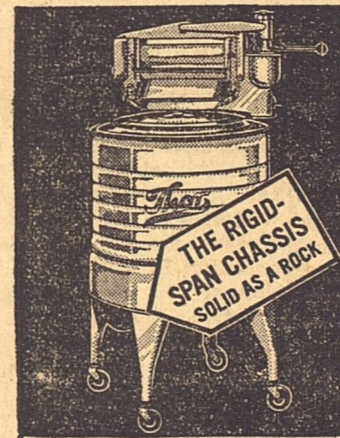
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AUSTIN. — The genius of a former University of Texas student is responsible for one of the latest developments in radio, a facsimile device for radio transmission of photographs, documents and other papers, recently announced by the Radio Corporation of America.

Dean T. U. Taylor of the university college of engineering has just learned that this astonishing piece of electrical equipment was fashioned by Maurice Artzt, who obtained his bachelor of science degree from the university in 1925. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Artzt of Tyler.

Artzt, after leaving the university, was awarded a research scholarship with General Electric company at Schenectady, N. Y., according to Deal Taylor. It was only a year later that C. J. Young, an engineer with General Electric company, conceived the idea that a system for transmitting facsimile reproductions by radio might be possible. He sought a talented young engineer to develop it for the company, and drafted young Artzt. Mr. Young patented the idea, but as work progressed, Artzt took out patents on each further development, obtaining six since October 1, 1934.

Stationed at Camden
Five years ago, all the radio research work of the General Electric company was transferred to the Radio Corporation of America-Victor company plant at Camden, N. J., which had been purchased by General Electric. Artzt was sent there and has been stationed there ever since. Artzt holds the master of science degree in mathematics and electrical science from Union college at Schenectady.

The new device which Artzt invented was described by President David Sarnoff of the Radio Corporation of America as "epoch-making" in the history of wireless transmission. It is described as follows:

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Large Gifts of Hardins Inspired by Wish To Give Others Advantages Denied Couple

The large gifts of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Hardin of Burkburnett to Texas religious and educational institutions have been among the most outstanding of Texas philanthropic acts. Most of those gifts have been to Baptist institutions, the Hardins being devout members of that denomination, but those of other denominations have also shared in this largess. Simmons university, now known as Hardin-Simmons university; the Abilene Christian college; Baylor college at Belton, now known as Mary Hardin-Baylor; Baylor university and Buckner Orphans home are some of the institutions to which the Hardins have made large gifts.

Story of Couple
The following story, written for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram by Harold Banks, staff correspondent, provides and interesting account of the gifts made by the couple and the motives behind their generosity:

BURKBURNETT. — Texas colleges, an orphanages, churches and individuals who shared in his benefactions have a right to be thankful that John G. Hardin brought his wagon team to a halt on a prairie 18 miles west of Wichita Falls that bleak winter day in 1880 and decided here would be a good place to homestead.

For under that 124-acre tract that the Johnson county farmer first settled, and on others nearby that he subsequently acquired by purchase through frugal savings, there was oil.

It was nearly 39 years later that drillers' bits bored into the rich petroleum deposits that transformed grazing land into a maze of derricks, caused mushroom towns to spring up as trading in leases became feverish—and pour-

ments and gifts that now have reached more than \$4,000,000.

Well Comes In
Soon after the discovery well of S. L. Fowler came in for a 7,000-barrel producer, Hardin gave an 80-acre tract, valued then at \$75,000, to Buckner Orphans Home near Dallas. His next endowment was a piece of property later sold for \$3,500 to Reynolds Presbyterian Orphanage. The Baptist church in fast-growing Burkburnett constructed a \$90,000 building. Hardin, himself a member of the faith, made an outright cash donation of \$45,000, paid \$10,000 later into the building fund and made a subsequent loan on the mortgage. Methodists had him to thank for a \$5,000 gift to their building fund. The congregation later was harassed by a \$12,000 loan from a life insurance company. Hardin came to their aid again. He paid off the debt and the church cleared its obligation to him through a 6 per cent annuity, cancellable at his death.

Likewise, he made a \$5,000 loan to the Church of Christ here on the same basis after a direct gift of the same amount. When he moved to the modest slate-colored frame home he occupies today, fronting the Wichita Falls highway, Hardin gave the site of his old homestead to the city, and on this spot a park was developed.

Gifts to Baylor
Baylor University was the next object of his munificence. Under various arrangements he endowed the Waco school with \$850,000. The university pays a 6 per cent annuity on \$750,000 during Hardin's lifetime. When he dies, the debt will be wiped from the books. The gift of a Frederick, Okla., hotel assessed at \$225,000 also figured in the transaction.

Hardin realized the contribution Buckner Orphans' Home was making in its care of parentless children. He bought an endowment policy, maturing for \$1,000,000 at his death, paying the full cash premium. The home was made the beneficiary. A little more than a year ago Abilene Christian College had amassed a bonded indebtedness which Hardin bought in for \$180,000, paying also \$225,000 of the institution's debts. The school is amortizing his obligation at 6 per cent annually. When the Burkburnett man dies the debt will be cancelled.

He made an offer for Baylor College, Belton bonds, set up an

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He determined that a large part of this suddenly acquired wealth should give Texas boys and girls something that this poor Mississippi lad himself never had—an education under Christian influence. The kindly old man never got beyond the doors of a country school in Dyer County, Tennessee, but he realized that present day boys and girls, if they were to cope with life, must be well educated. So he started a series of endow-

modestly furnished, behind which a windmill creaks. When Hardin is not in a three-room office downtown he plies hoe and rake in a garden adjoining the residence. He enjoys football, and often watches games from a special box at the football field he built for the school system.

Settled in Dugout
He recalls with a chuckle how he and his young wife, who died a few years later, settled in their crude dugout. The snow began to fall and Hardin covered the entrance, which had no door, with a wagon sheet. His lone cow became frightened in the barn and stumbled through the drifts to the dugout door. She fell through with a thud. Frightened, the animal fled, the wagon sheet dangling on her horns. Hardin had to make a long chase to retrieve the precious covering.

Hardin married Miss Mollie C. Funk, a Virginia school teacher, who had come west with her

brother, on Jan. 20, 1887. They had two children, a boy and a girl, both of whom died in infancy. He reared an orphan boy, hired out to a neighboring farmer. Because the girl child lived longer, Hardin today admits that he is partial to her sex. He has sent 26 girls and four boys through college to prove it.

He is loyal as a Baptist, but his generosity knows no denominational boundaries. "I believe," he says "that there are good people in every church."

Why has he expended his fortune, estimated at \$5,000,000 at one time, or others? "I never had an opportunity myself," he explained. "If doing this will build good character and citizenship, then I'm amply repaid."

The meeting of the Delphian club which was to have been held Monday has been postponed until the next regular meeting.

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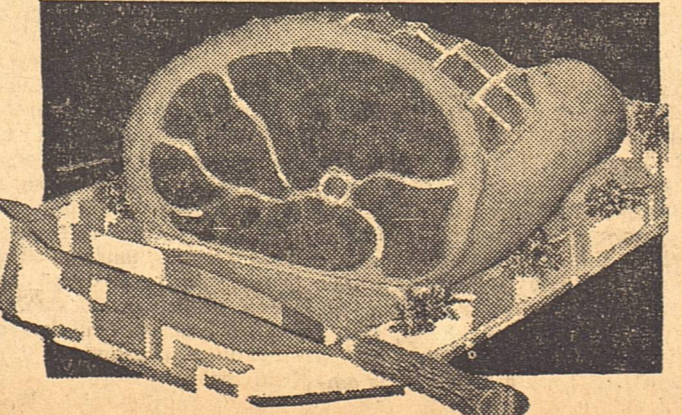
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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?—Rom. 8:35.

Dear God, when'er I think on thee,
 The fullness of thy glory comes
 And leads me in the narrow way
 Where I can see Love guiding me.
 —VAN BUREN MARSCHALK.

From our reading of the gospels we are inclined today to emphasize the generosity, the graciousness, the sympathy, and the tenderness of the Lord, and we are right in doing so. But, on the other hand, we sometimes forget that he was in the supreme degree the man of boldness.—REV. E. A. DOWNS.

It is proposed to introduce in the present session of congress a measure to stop communists threats against the established order by prohibiting in interstate traffic newspapers advocating doctrines and activities advanced to overthrow the government. Such a measure would also provide for revoking citizenship rights of naturalized aliens convicted of advocating such measures and for deporting them. To guard the constitutional freedom of the press, newspapers whose policies have already been established would be excluded from the sanctions of the act.

THE proposal is another outcropping of the tyrannical instincts of established authority which invariably makes martyrs of opposition to its own and ultimate defeat. It is the one step before another which lead to eventual oppression and despotic government. The beginning may be justified, but the end is the same old story of despair and revolution. The principles and the methods advocated by these communists may be reprehensible and dangerous but the use of means that eclipse the bad with the issue of freedom is no way to stop the propagation of such ideas. The world has had much experience with this sort of thing. History is full of the records of men and dynasties so jealous of their power and so certain of the righteousness of cause that they used the mailed fist and the iron heel to their own destruction in popular sympathy for the opposition or criticism they could not brook. The biggest and most important question in the United States is not whether or not the present order shall endure but whether or not the principles of freedom and security upon which it is based shall continue real. Whenever there is an action to suppress the activities of a group or person, the merits or demerits of those activities are lost sight of to a certain extent in a natural sympathy for that group or person. The fundamental issue of freedom of expression has tendency to overshadow everything else. The same instinct is apparent in public sympathy for a man doomed to the electric chair. Only the most heinous crimes are punished in this country by that penalty, for one reason because so much delay occurs between the crime and its punishment that the features of the deed are erased by consideration for the doer.

PERHAPS the most outstanding example of the practical impossibility of suppressing a cause by outlawing it is contained in the early history of Christianity. As virtuous as are the principles of the religion, it was not so much these principles as the demonstration of faith in them that the early fathers made before Roman circuses throughs that spread the gospel against all the efforts of the rulers to destroy it. These rulers made the mistake of feeding their victims to the lions before thousands of spectators who became so impressed by the courage of the believers that they were convinced there was something to the belief after all. Had these early Christians been left unmolested, accepted as an integral part of the Roman society, it is a question whether or not its growth would have been so well watered. It is even conceivable that it would have become so confounded with the paganism of the day as to lose its identity.

COMMUNISM is not a serious menace to this country. Left to its own devices it will make little impression on a public that is satisfied with the government it has. If the public isn't satisfied, it won't do any good to stamp out the communists or the other radicals.

IN England communists are handled by putting them on a soap box in a park and let-

ting them shout themselves hoarse. As long as they are talking they are harmless. Blowing off steam gets rid of a lot of dangerous pressure. The most effective method of handling them in the United States is not by suppression. Give them a platform and let them rant. The congressman who advocates suppressive measures is simply advocating measures that will force the propaganda into subterranean channels from which it will instill a deadly poison of discontent into the public fibre. In the open ravings of the radical lose effectiveness. They become entertainment. Put a muzzle on the advocate of such principles and official recognition is given the authority of these principles.

Give the communist and all the other radicals and the exponents of "isms" the unlimited opportunity to speak their minds openly and let the test of free speech and unprejudiced public consideration determine the justness of their causes.

BUILDING of grade separation structures, such as underpasses and overpasses, is certain to be an important part of the public works program by which the federal government will give work to employables this year and during the course of the recovery. Under the plans advanced by the state highway department for re-routing

Overpass For Third Street
 Highway No. One through Cisco, this city stands to obtain the substitution of a four lane concrete and steel overpass for the present wooden structure that spans the Katy railroad on Eighth street.

It has been suggested to the chamber of commerce by a member of its board of directors—J. J. Collins, to be specific—that the situation that exists at Third street and the Texas and Pacific and the M. K. & T. railroads might profitably be called to the attention of the department responsible for the expenditure of funds for grade separation construction under the public works program. Here is a condition—magnified by the fact that students daily cross and recross the railroads on their way to and from Randolph college—that is subject to the carelessness developed by frequent use and nearness to congested areas. Only by reason of the utmost vigilance of the railroads and the fact that trains crossing the street there are usually slowed for stops at the station near by is it probable that serious if not fatal accidents have been averted. Quite recently a train struck an automobile containing two Randolph students who, fortunately, were not seriously hurt. The train, a passenger, was traveling at a reduced rate of speed in approaching the station.

But the next such accident may not have so fortunate an outcome. If the government intends to build these works in a broad and wise program for making travel over highways safe the while giving work to employable unemployed, the Third street situation is as worthy a subject for the improvement as any.

THERE has been, incidentally, some criticism of the methods of spending relief funds in that it is claimed so many of the projects are not worthy and are merely "devised" to give employment. The criticism may be deserved, but the facts are that the relief administration has been faced with the problem of putting men to work at once and the further problem of finding suitable projects for their undertaking. That there have been as many worthy projects and as much enduring good accomplished as has been done under the stress of these conditions is something upon which to commend the administration.

Now that there is opportunity to do some long-range planning, it is possible to develop so broad and worthy a program as this grade separation undertaking, which is certainly a praiseworthy program of permanent and long-needed character.

Old friends may be best, but the newer ones are usually better salesmen.

Personally we have no idea what the spring colors will be like, but we hope they will be anything but depression blues.

One reason why we don't like child actresses is because it makes the parents of other children anxious to show them off before company.

Of course there are too many laws, but every man knows of one more that ought to be passed.

A West Dallas widow says the reason she backed out of her last engagement was because her fiance was a teacher of public speaking, and every time he held her hand he made gestures with it.

Nobody ever got to be a dictator by feeling humble or inefficient.

And sometimes it looks as if the wisdom of the ages has descended upon the juveniles.

Counsel for the defense in the Hauptmann trial seem trying to leave the impression that there was no Lindbergh baby.

It is suggested that there should be a national housewife championship. The titleholder, we presume, would win a sweeping victory.

As we understand Huey, every man is to be a king but Huey is to be the emperor.

This man Doolittle does not seem to think there is much in a name.

The Judge's Corner

By R. W. H. KENNON

ORBIE JACOBS CASE IS STILL WITH US

The Orbie Jacobs case is still with us. While reports from his bedside are to the effect that his condition is gradually improving all the while, yet his recovery is naturally very slow, and he is still confined to his bed, though able to sit up some. Recently he was taken to Fort Worth where he went through a chiropractic clinic, conducted by Dr. Parmar, head of the Chiropractic school, who personally examined Jacobs.

Jacob's condition is a personal sacrifice to the sport of football, and the lovers of this sport, I know, are willing to render what financial aid that is within their ability, but it seems nobody knows just what to do to raise funds to rescue him from a life of invalidism. That Jacobs is without funds to aid himself is known to all, and hardly any of the citizens of Cisco can furnish the needed money individually, so, if he is supplied this needed cash it must be raised by some form of sport or mass effort.

At the end of the football season a year ago I suggested a benefit football game, which brought forth a spontaneous response, and while there was quite a nice bunch of money taken in at the gate, yet those having the matter in hand of getting a team to play the Lobos selected one from a town so distant that it caused the expenses to absorb the major part of the gate receipts. Jacobs, when he was injured, was under Coach Chapman, and the natural conclusion was that Chapman's Lubbock team would be a drawing card, and bring out all his old friends and admirers. It did, so far as Cisco was concerned, but the Lubbock team could bring nobody from that town to witness a benefit game. Some of the gridiron fans have suggested another benefit game for Jacobs, and secure a neighboring team to play the Lobos—Eastland, Ranger or Breckenridge — it is thought, would prove a drawing card, as many would come to Cisco from either of those places to root for their favorites. Or, the game might be played at the home of the team who would participate in this benefit game.

As the football season is over, it might be better to stage a basketball game. However, that is a matter I am not competent to pass on, so will refer that detail to those whose judgment on such matters is better.

I am wondering if we, who are sound in body, can realize, or fully sympathize with those who are crippled, especially those who, like Jacobs, must lie flat of his back for years, not able to even walk. That he is now able to sit up at short intervals, is indicative of considerable improvement, which indicates that he is not incurable. It matters not who or from what school the practitioner comes, if he can get Jacobs out of bed, and enable him to walk, I believe every red-blooded sport is willing to contribute what they can towards his recovery.

I am again passing the matter up to those authorities who have the sports in hand, and if they can suggest some kind of benefit for this boy, I will be glad to hear from them, and the Citizen-Free Press will give the needed publicity.

"RETAINERS" EXPECTED TO PUT UP STIFF FIGHT

The publicity resolution to compel representatives and senators to make public all retainers and persons, associations and corporations who may employ them from time to time, is expected to meet stiff opposition in the senate. Senator Rawlins, who has announced that he is going to oppose the passage of the resolution, which has already been passed by the lower house, at the same time stated he expected to make public his business or professional connections whether the resolution passes the senate or not. In the face of this statement his opposition is a bit inconsistent, it listens to me. Rawlins says it "is the demagoguery that I object to."

But there is a reason for demagoguery, and the cause of this apparent demand for this publicity plan evidently lies at the door of the senate. The people are fast forming the opinion that some members of the senate and house are serving the special interests, rather than the masses to whom they owe their election. An honest man has no reason to fear the calcium light of publicity, and a dishonest public official should be exposed. If a legislator is employed by some special interest, and votes against those measures for the common good, the people should know for whom he is working.

Rawlins has issued a threat, which if carried out, will elicit the approval of a vast majority of the people. He has given notice

that he will file a written motion that the senate committee, to which the resolution has been referred, go all the route and include the higher officials who will be required to divulge the source of their campaign expenses. That's fine. If he does there will be legions to hold up his hands.

But we already have a law that a candidate must file a statement under oath of the amount, and from whom his campaign expenses are obtained. It is practically a dead letter. No one pays any attention to it. The courts laugh an affiant out of court who will file charges under this act. I believe it a good law, but if not enforced, and is ignored under "a gentlemen's agreement," it should be replaced at the earliest possible date.

Like Rawlins, I see no particular reason why the resolution should be applied exclusively to the members of the senate and house. But it should pass, and if enforced, and works good, the legislature can include the higher officials. We should have it for those who are betraying their constituents. The honest legislators won't be hurt.

Sam Jones used to say "the hit dog always howls." But it seems that Rawlins is simply protecting the off-brand of the pack, as he will obey the spirit of the resolution whether it passes or not.

B. A. Smith, of Abilene, was transacting business in Cisco this week.

Nature and Human Nature

By W. F. BRUCE

Everville Boosters

Everville is an average town thriving vigorously on the banks of Everville. Evervillians are not all that all the time. Some are occasional villains; some are never villains, they are saints, and a minor problem for the census taker it must be admitted.

Everville is the best town in the world; not in every particular, but in most, at least in some respects. This is not known everywhere yet, though; and since Evervillians want the world to know about it there are the Everville Boosters. Not all the citizens are boosters, however. A few of them are boozers, abusers of themselves and of others. Some are boosters, always ready to boot the fellow who has slipped or stumbled; all they have for him is a kick; they want to help the down and out—help them lower down and further out. Kicking involves some activity, however, and is a healthy sign if it is the first effort of a newborn kicker. But sometimes, fortunately, it indicates a final effort also, and sooner or later he kicks his last.

Kicking is only another form of knocking—the difference being largely in the limb by which the blow is delivered. It is all right to knock when you are on the

outside and want in, for that is the principal end of knocking—and there is where knocking ought to end. The place for a knocker is on the outside of the door. The man who knocks after he gets in has entitled himself to a knock-down.

Mr. Knocker never lacks for opportunity. A move is on for cement sidewalks — or a water system, or a modern school building, something that marks progress in up-to-date towns—and he straightway gets busy and registers a kick. He never had anything but sod, or strewn ashes, or pieces of plank at just the proper intervals for an average step, to walk on, and why the unnecessary expense of hard cement walks. Besides it might enlarge tax statements. And even if it is a decision for a city park, and the only outlay is his share of labor with donated material, he still is not a very enthusiastic recipient of such new-fangled ideas into his old-fashioned head. He, or some member of his tribe, will always be somewhere in easy reach wherever there is progress to the end of time.

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Utility Advertising Influence Discounted

Power and gas utilities have spent as high as \$30,000,000 a year on advertising, the federal trade commission reports.

The commission seems to think there is something reprehensible, or at least suspicious, in that. But why should there be, necessarily? Gas and electric companies have service to sell and most local distributing companies also sell appliances. Considering the enormous volume of this business in the United States, \$30,000,000 for advertising probably isn't such a disproportionate item as it might seem at first glance. Certainly the utilities have as much right to advertise their service and merchandise as any other type of business.

But what mainly concerns the federal trade commission is the fear that large advertising expenditures are gaining the power and gas companies undue influence over newspapers and magazines. The report goes into considerable detail concerning that aspect of the matter. Apparently the commission is particularly alarmed over the amount of free space utilities manage to get in the newspapers.

It is true that the large power and gas companies have their publicity departments; but so, for that matter, does every industry of any consequence. The mails are burdened every day with tons of publicity hopefully addressed to newspapers. Most of it is promptly consigned to the waste basket, but some finds its way into print.

The fact is that any enterprise which comes into contact with the lives of a great many people is bound to originate legitimate news. Any editor who resolved to keep his paper's columns entirely free of news which might be construed as utilities propaganda would soon find his resolution colliding with his judgment of news values. Members of the federal trade commission should read the chapter on press agency in Stanley Walker's book City Editor, wherein he tells us how the National Electric Light Association arranged the semi-centennial celebration of Edison's discovery of the incandescent light. The resident of the United States, Henry Ford and other first-string dignitaries participated, but fundamentally it was a publicity stunt for the electric industry. Nevertheless, it was also news, and any newspaper that ignored it would have looked silly.

It would be foolish to deny that the domestic utilities lost no opportunity to put in a lick against public ownership; naturally, since their interest is opposed to public ownership. There are conditions under which anti-public ownership propaganda is a proper matter of official inquiry — as when it is intruded into the public schools under the guise of instruction. But fairness demands that those who oppose public ownership should be accorded the same opportunity to present their case as is accorded those who favor it. The facts fall completely to sustain the implication in the trade commission's report that liberal advertising expenditures are a factor in regimenting public opinion against public ownership. Ordinarily the reverse is true; a public official who makes a speech advocating public ownership can get columns of free newspaper space by virtue of his position where an advertising utility company is fortunate to get inches.—United States Daily News.

Amusement is the happiness of those that cannot think.—Pope.
 Analysis kills love, as well as other things.—Brown.
 A thing that nobody believes cannot be proved too often.—Shaw.
 Fortune gives too much to many, enough to none.—Martial.

What's What at a Glance

By CHARLES P. STEWART
 Central Press Staff Writer
 WASHINGTON, D. C.—Organ-

ized labor approves of President Roosevelt's work-relief program in principle, but not altogether in detail.

It indorses the presidential preference for work-relief, as against the dole, but the item in the presidential plan, to which labor takes especial exception, is the wage item.

As plainly stated in the executive mansion's first message to congress, just after the current session's opening, the White House tenant's idea is to provide a wage schedule for government jobs at a higher than outright charity-relief; a lower rate, however, than in the field of private employment.

It is clear the president does not want to create an overly popular system of public employment. He proposes a living wage, in the government service, for workers who cannot find private jobs, but he wants private jobs to continue to have a stronger appeal to workers than jobs on Uncle Sam's payroll.

What organized labor fears is that government pay very shortly will become the standard for private pay. Its notion is that Uncle Sam should set an example to private employers by paying very well indeed. It would like to compel private employers to bid against him, and in competition with him, in order to get help.

EMPLOYERS' OBJECTIONS

Spokesmen on Capitol Hill for employers find principal fault with the presidential suggestion that Uncle Sam should do practically all of his own work on his own projects, independently even of private contractors.

Far from opposing public works (of a certain class, anyway), capital, it appears, favors them, if it can have the contracts, at prices satisfactory to itself, for material and construction, et cetera.

For example, the elimination of grade crossings throughout the country certainly would meet with no opposition from private capital, if it were assured of the contracts for doing the work at a liberal margin of profit.

But the Rooseveltian scheme is to have the government do it, from start to finish — its own engineering, its own hiring of workers, its own supervising, its own shoveling, its own underpass and overpass building, with no profit to anyone.

TAXATION, TOO

The thought of the snuffing out of the possibility of all this profit is what gripes private capital.

That, and another thing— Even with private profit subtracted, underpasses and overpasses are expensive, to the amount of a couple of billions or so, nationally considered. They scarcely can be called self-liquidating, either, unless tolls are levied for using them — which probably would not be practicable.

They must be paid for, then, by subsequent taxation.

In short— Labor is friendly to the presidential program, except that it thinks it is a program which makes too broad an allowance for capital's interests.

And capital is semi-friendly to it, except that it thinks it is a program which allows too much to labor, and other ordinary folk.

By LESLIE EICHEL
 Central Press Staff Writer
 NEW YORK.—Bar associations

desire the "truth" known concerning the "poor" showing of lawyers in the United States department of justice.

According to eminent counsel it is not because the government pays so little for legal talent (and private interests pay so much) that the New Deal is coming out so badly in legal contests. It is because the justice department has been loaded up with political appointees by one James A. Farley.

RELIEF BURDEN

Cities and states are just awakening to the portent of President Roosevelt's new relief proposals. Cities are not to obtain 30 per cent of the cost of public works projects as an outright grant from the general government.

The entire amount hereafter will be repayable. The interest rate, however, on PWA projects is expected to be 3 per cent instead of 4 per cent.

STEP BACKWARD?

Relief workers are not sanguine that President Roosevelt's efforts to throw a large part of relief back on states, cities, counties and townships will work.

The thousands of political units that would have to resume the burden are not equipped to handle the vast problem that relief has become, relief workers say. In the end, tax-payers would be out far more—and there would be little co-ordinated relief.

There is a growing belief among students of relief that the day of community chests and such voluntary giving (which isn't voluntary in so far as many employes are concerned) has passed. Likewise, the day of helter-skelter appropriations by all sorts of political units is seen as coming to an end.

The prediction is made that, in spite of the president's wishes, relief work will become an increasing problem of the federal government. The thought is that the government may, indeed, have to place a graduated income tax against all who earn to supersede all local grants and charities.

That, of course, is exactly what persons with moderate and large incomes oppose.

Furthermore, as public works increase, they will encroach so extensively on the works of private capital that a progressive form of socialism will develop.

Congress will be insistent on enlarging the budget for federal relief works. There is persistent pressure back home. But congress is for political control of relief funds—as opposed to impartial Ickes-Hopkins control.

EYES ON MICHIGAN

Republicans have been eying Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan as a potential presidential candidate. But there is another Republican in Michigan who may capture the public fancy by a spectacular administration.

He is the new governor, Frank D. Fitzgerald. He has made some progressive recommendations to the legislature.

Louise Trammell
Editor

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Miss Mayer Bride Of Mr. Miller in Ceremony Sunday

Marriage of Miss Marian Mayer and Mr. Willard C. Miller took place Sunday at noon in the parsonage of the First Christian church. Dr. David F. Tyndall read the ceremony. Mrs. Miller is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Mayer, of 1109 West Ninth street and has lived in Cisco for a number of years. She is a graduate of Cisco high school and has attended Randolph college. Mr. Miller is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Miller, of West Sixth street and is a graduate of Cisco high school and has attended Rice Institute at Houston. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for Wichita Falls where they will make their home.

Methodist W.M.S. Has Pledge Service

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Methodist church held a pledge service Tuesday at the home of Mrs. T. J. Dean. Mrs. Neal Turner lead the program on "Praise and Promise" and "Prayer and Partnership." Mrs. William Reagan was the leader on "Pledge and Participation." Mrs. Neil Lane and Mrs. Wm. Joyner sang verses of old hymns on pledge. As the members placed their pledge cards on a silver tray Mrs. Frank Turner and Mrs. Fred Hayes sang "Have Thine Own Way."

Members present were Mmes. W. M. Joyner, C. R. Sandford, Fred Hayes, Neil Lane, Geo. Winston, W. G. Powell, Mary Andres, O. W. Ford, Neal Turner, J. B. Curry, N. W. Noel, M. A. Northup, J. T. Fields, Maude Martin, John Brown, L. E. Vaughn, Frank Turner, Lee Owen, R. W. Merket, Price Rainbolt, J. W. Thomas and T. J. Dean.

Miss Louise Karkalits, Mrs. Coe McLeroy, of Eastland, and Fred Heyser, of Putnam, were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Stephenson Tuesday evening.

NEW COLOR IDEAS FOR THE HOME

(Homemaking Helps)

By ELEANOR ROSS

A CORRESPONDENT writes that she is in despair when she reads all the various formulae for color in the home and discovers that every expert seems to have a different idea of what constitutes color harmony and beauty. We advise our correspondent to cheer up, look around her, go in for color sensibly, smartly, as she does all other things, with the addition of one or two simple rules. After all, no two rooms are alike, so that it is absolutely impossible for anyone to put down an arbitrary rule. The main thing to remember is that the colors must be seen but they must not even whisper let alone be heard. Which means that if handled right the colors will unobtrusively draw your attention to their harmonious beauty. One real color enthusiast says that a good rule to follow is that of nature, that beneficent provider giving us the deep brown for the earth, light colors for the growing things and light colors for the sky. And so we come to deep brown for the earth, light colors for walls and a light shade for the ceiling. Drapes blend subtly with walls and carpets pick up the drape colors. These, of course, are generalizations but just the same they are helpful. Walls must be carefully studied and handled since these large areas will make or break the room.

Unusual Panelling

The very clever, quite inexpensive veneer panelling that is almost paper thin but looks like fine old panelling when it is applied is a life saver for the library or dining room, especially if the room has a light exposure. We have seen this panelling in a light, knotted pine used for a living room that had failed to yield to any previous treatment. Reds and blues looked simply lovely in this room which was not kept too formal but had a country house sort of atmosphere. No matter what medium is used, paint, wall paper or panelling, the structural qualities of the room, as well as its dimensions, must be carefully studied. A small, very sunny room will seem large and cool when treated in cool, blue tones, whereas a cold room will be so toned up if an orange-yellow is used. Brown, burnt orange and blue makes a charming color scheme that would be acceptable to almost any type of room. Even if we are chary of trying bright colors and contrast, we don't want nondescript colorings and shades. These are out as are the dull tans and muddy browns that imparted such an indifferent and back-ground to the room. Shiny and dull finishes are skillfully used to give character to a room. Deep brown and white or pale cream is a charming color combination, which we have seen successfully used in many rooms.



FROM THE WOMAN'S ANGLE

By MRS. PHILIP PETTIT

"I sent my soul through the invisible, Some letter of that After-life to spell: And by and by my soul returned to me, And answered, 'I Myself am Heaven and Hell.'" "Heaven but the vision of fulfilled desire, And Hell the shadow from a soul on fire, Cast on the darkness into which ourselves, So late emerged, shall so soon expire."

Toward a More Picturesque Speech He's a very small patch on the seat of government.

Clouds; the traveling mountains of the sky.

His breakfast is an affair of a hand groping out from behind a paper.

She sputtered like a string of fire-crackers.

Gets an appendix girl, the kind that gets taken out.

The noise from good toast should reverberate in the head like thunder in July.

Protecting the Helpless Brute

In the year of grace 1700 parliament enacted the following tasty bit of legislation; "That all women of whatever age, rank, profession or degree, whether virgin, maid or widow, that shall from and after such act impose upon, seduce and betray into matrimony any of His Majesty's subjects by means of scent, paint, cosmetics, washes, artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, hoops, high-heeled shoes or bolstered hips, shall incur the penalty of the law now in force against witchcraft and like misdemeanors, and that the marriage upon conviction shall stand null and void." Yet in the face of such restrictions history records "There were many a maid that did with plain face and simple ways take unto herself a husband."

And, What Are Women Made Of?

The legends which tell of the creation of women are many and varied. Some exceedingly complimentary to the sex. Others, well here are a few, judge for yourself.

The Nusairiyeh Arabs hold that all women are created from the sins of satan, while the Arabs of Algeria say outright she is an evil creature, an eternal spoiljoy, because she was made from the tail of a monkey.

The South Slavs give us this version of woman's creation: A dog came along and ran away with the dislocated rib of Adam, which had for a moment been laid on the ground. The god of creation immediately chased the thief but succeeded only in grabbing off the tail of the dog. (May I suggest you note that caudal appendages seemed to be favored as creative material with the very ancient, but to go on with my story.) So the best that could be done, having no manly rib to work with, this resourceful creator made woman out of the dog's tail. Hence the

thought that she should ever follow man.

A Bulgarian myth will have us believe that long ago all snakes walked on legs. Nothing better being available, woman was created out of snakes legs. To this very day you may hear it whispered about, strictly among the men folk, that this is the reason why women are so far beneath the mighty man and require constant watching.

Beautiful Center

One of the most beautiful dining table centers I have seen in a long time was a low, flat bowl of clear crystal. It was heaped with iridescent bubbles the size of a golf ball. These lovely bits of glass were a fascinating center of ever changing color. They may be bought at any large department store and the more you look at them the more you will love them.

Rainbows in Dishwater.

The author of the immortal lines, "The paths of glory lead but to the grave," might justly resent their being associated with so lowly an occupation as dishwashing, but the association is obvious when we say the inevitable end of eating leads but to the dishpan and the sink. But, both are fundamentally true, and however we may struggle, fundamental facts remain unchanged.

Yet, all is well that ends well, and I know a woman who speaks with fervor of rainbows in dishwater. Another gifted writer, who lives not so far away, will tell us with twinkling eyes that she could never in the world write those lovely poems we all enjoy were it not for dishwater with its ever changing and gleaming colors that led to a veritable fairy land of unbelievable beauty.

Of course even those of us who are rainbows most ardent supporters will admit there are several elements that are essential to a real enjoyable seige of dishwashing. The stage must be set just right, the mind must be in a receptive mood, sensitive to illusive suggestions.

Removing Stains. How exasperating spots and stains are to most of us. Perhaps this is because we do not know how to go about removing them with any assurance of success.

Stains are generally stubborn, however, only when the wrong method is used in trying to remove them. Try to fix two important facts in mind: First, the substances which cause stains differ in character. Therefore the treatment you give them should be different in or may be loosened from the fabric by some basic cleansing agent. Pure soap and denatured alcohol (one glassful to one glass of water) are perhaps the most generally used. Most drug stores have many cleansing preparations with directions for using.

Blood stains are not hard to remove if first placed in cold water. Dry starch, if quickly applied, will absorb blood from material that cannot be washed. Stains on blankets and heavy materials may be removed by mixing to a heavy paste laundry starch with cold water and spreading a thick coating over the stain. Brush off as fast as discolored. Repeat until all stain is removed.

Bridge Winners Are Honored at Luncheon

The winners in a series of bridge games were the honor guests Monday when the losers entertained with a luncheon at the apartment of Mrs. J. A. Bearman, Laguna hotel.

Valentine colors were carried out in table decorations and place cards. Mrs. Jack Cabaness won high score for the series, Mrs. T. F. O'Brien won high for the afternoon and Mrs. B. E. Allison received low.

Members present were Mrs. Jack Cabaness, Mrs. F. D. Wright, Mrs. A. D. Anderson, Mrs. T. F. O'Brien, Mrs. R. L. Ponsler, Mrs. Geo. P. Fee, Mrs. Yancey McCrea, Mrs. J. A. Bearman and Mrs. B. E. Allison, of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Many Attend Opera At Abilene Saturday

Ciscoans who went to see Giacomo Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" presented by the San Carlos Opera company in Dallas Saturday were: Misses Ora Bess Moore, Wilma Thomas, Laura Lu Waring, Ida Mae Collins, Lucine Lewis, and Marian Chambliss, and Mesdames Charles Brown, Leon Maner, J. T. Anderson, W. J. Foxworth, George P. Fee, and W. B. Statham.

Puccini is not only one of the most popular but the most prolific composers of the modern school of Italian opera. His works are successful all over the world and he is the possessor of great dramatic gift. In all of Puccini's compositions one finds broad and beautiful melodies.

"Madam Butterfly" is the story of the tragic romance of a Japanese girl and an American naval officer. The officer is very much attracted, and, since he is to be in Japan for some time, marries her.

"Madam Butterfly" as he named her, tried in every way to make him happy and believes him when he tells her that he will soon return and take her away with him. The American leaves her, and then one day he comes to tell her that he is married to an American girl, whereupon she gives her child to her parents and commits suicide.

Baptist Circle Meets With Mrs. Shepard

Circle 2 of the First Baptist church met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. P. P. Shepard, 705 West Seventh street. Mrs. W. H. LaRogue conducted the business and the lesson was taught by Mrs. M. A. Wright, assisted by Mrs. C. S. Surlis and Mrs. P. P. Shepard, on "Missionary Outlook in Palestine." Members present were J. J. Butts, Mrs. M. A. Wright, Mrs. J. W. Mancill, Mrs. C. S. Surlis, Mrs. W. H. LaRogue and Mrs. Lee Elkins.

lovely and charming as possible. Then I think of a wise philosopher who wrote, "A woman's face is God's masterpiece. A woman's smile may be more sublime than the most gorgeous sunset, more pathetic than a battle scarred landscape, more warming than the rays of a noon-day sun."

We ordinary folk call this something in a face expression. It is never set, or fixed, but changeable as the clouds that move in mysterious majesty across the summer sky, subtle as the rustling sobs of drifting leaves, elusive as the ripples that play at hide-and-seek across the quiet pond. All this writes upon your face, no beauty specialist however efficient, can change your expression. Only your life can do this.

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Randolph News

By DIXIE BILLS

After several days vacation, Randolph opened for classes Wednesday morning. Monday and Tuesday were devoted to the registration of new students. Some of the students who enrolled were, Albert Wende, Kathryn Atwell, Frank Aycock, "Shady" Preston, Jeffalee Burns, Pearl Ayers, Wade Johnson, Tamsey V. Riley, and Jourdain Armstrong. Lets give them a big welcome!

Elizabeth Masters visited in Dublin this week-end. She didn't let a bit of cold weather keep her at home.

Judy Smith said she visited in Eastland during the holidays. She couldn't remember what she did though.

Then there's Pat Cochran who is absent minded, too. He becomes so intent upon buying groceries that he forgot to turn on his car lights until someone reminds him.

Louise Masters is wearing a new white leather jacket. She said something about having a birthday this week.

Harold Sharp is busy showing the new girls the town. Better watch him, he's fickle.

Everyone is getting the "skating fever," four of the Randolph girls are dying to go to Olden and try to stand up on the rinks for a little while. I'm sure they'll give everyone a treat.

Edna Coole couldn't find anything to do, so she just went to the show by herself.

Pat Van Eman froze all week-end and Peggy played bridge. Pat said Peggy didn't really play—she just held a hand!

The basketball boys are all thrilled over going to Amarillo for a game. We wish them the best of luck in the game and also on the way there. Coleman is taking a car full so they need luck.

We hope everybody will be as generous with their new cars as Mrs. Coffee is. She says that there is always room for one more.

Thad Doty said he would be glad when he found out whether he made 100 or 99 on his final in Spanish. Pretty smart, eh?

Ray Chambliss really enjoys playing games. He spends hours in the library getting white and black blocks in a row.

Nell Alexander went horseback riding all by herself! She said the horse was very playful. The horse kicked all the tin cans he saw in the road making it rather difficult for "Little Nellie" to hang on!

Mary Jane Morehart sleeps, eats and dreams of Dallas and N. T. She would!

Woman's Auxiliary In Charge of Service

The Woman's auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church had charge of the prayer meeting held at the church Wednesday evening. Dr. Lee presided. The meeting was opened with singing "Greenland's Icy Mountain." Mrs. Leith Morris made the introductory talk on foreign missions. Mrs. Daniels lead in prayer and Mrs. Chas. Fee read the scripture lesson. Mrs. Bragg gave three challenges in behalf of foreign missions. Mrs. W. P. Lee made a talk on the work in Australia. John Peter Huey played a cornet solo "The Old Rugged Cross." Mrs. Wallace gave a talk on "Conditions in the Mission Field Today." Mrs. Jamison sang a solo "For a Little Bit of Love" and Miss Pat Van Eman closed the program with the reading "The Missionary's Prayer." Forty members were present.

Mrs. A. C. Green and Mrs. S. E. Hittson spent Wednesday in Abilene.

Meetings of First Christian Circles

Circle 1 of the First Christian church met Tuesday with Mrs. Oscar Cliett, West Sixth street. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. J. S. Mobley, chairman; Mrs. Harve Woodridge, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Roy Wilson, devotional leader; and Mrs. Oscar Cliett, reporter. Ten members were present.

MRS. ARMSTRONG HOSTESS

Circle 2 of the First Christian church met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. W. J. Armstrong with Mrs. W. F. Bruce as co-hostess. Meeting was opened with the singing of "More About Jesus" and "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Mrs. Coffee taught the lesson and Mrs. H. L. Dyer presided over the business meeting. Members present were Mmes. H. R. Garrett, W. F. Bruce, J. C. Burnam, H. L. Dyer, A. S. Nabors, C. B. Powell, L. C. Moore, Oran Shackelford, Chas. George, Rex Moore, Bob Winston, Smith and Haun.

CIRCLE 3 WITH MRS. WALLACE

Circle 3 of the First Presbyterian church met with Mrs. W. W. Wallace, Tuesday at her home, Humbletown. Mrs. John Kleiner, chairman, lead the program, assisted by Mrs. F. D. Pierce and Mrs. Abbie Daniels. Those present were Mrs. L. Y. Siddal, Alex Spears, J. E. Caffrey, F. D. Pierce, John Kleiner, D. E. Waters, G. C. Rosenthal, Mose Johnson, Bradshaw and R. B. Carswell.

Mrs. Fowler Wins Attendance Prize

The attendance prize for the adult sewing class at the high school was awarded Mrs. N. C. Fowler Friday afternoon. The prize, material for two aprons, was furnished by Mr. Woods, manager of Perry Brothers. Each week a prize is offered for best attendance. Several new spring suits are under way and promise to be real well tailored garments.

Mrs. Foster Hostess To Baptist Circle

Circle 4 of the First Baptist church met Tuesday with Mrs. A. L. Foster, West Ninth street. Mrs. B. Montgomery lead in prayer and Mrs. Clifton lead the devotional. Mrs. C. A. Farquhar taught the lesson on "Home and Foreign Fields." Those taking part were Mmes. Clifton, Kinsey, Walker, Montgomery, Kizer and Foster.

Mrs. Phippen Humble Club Score Winner

Mrs. Jack Phippen won the high score prize and Mrs. W. C. McDaniel won low prize Wednesday when Mrs. W. Wallace was hostess to the Humble Bridge club at her home in Humbletown. At the close of the game a salad course was served to Mmes. W. J. Armstrong, R. B. Carswell, I. J. Henson, Jack Phippen, M. M. Tabor, Reggie Henderson, H. E. McGown, L. O. Albright, Bette Booth, James Moore, F. J. Porman and W. C. McDaniel.

REICH NEWS

School was dismissed Monday on account of the weather. Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Abbott, and children, Vera and Stanly, Mr. and Mrs. Vanderford and Mrs. G. Polard were visitors in the Dillon home Sunday afternoon. C. V. Swinson sustained a broken nose and cuts on the face Friday when a pipe which he was

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using to tighten a wire fence slipped and hit him in the face. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Horn and daughter, Miss Addie Mae were visitors in the Vanderford home Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Callerman and sons, Edward, Roy and Leo, spent Sunday with Mrs. Callerman's sister, Mrs. Joe Hale of the Nimrod community.

R. N. Hazelwood spent several days in Baird this week. Edward Callerman was a visitor in the G. W. Horn home Saturday evening.

The home Demonstration club will meet at the school house Friday at 3:30 p. m. Miss Ramey will meet with the club and members are urged to be present.

The people of this community will meet at the school house Sunday at 2 p. m. for the purpose of organizing a union Sunday school.

ROMNEY NEWS

Mrs. Katherine Webb has returned from Eastland where she had spent the last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. W. E. Bradshaw and Miss Esther Bradshaw of Cisco attended services at the Methodist church here Sunday.

Mrs. Eugene Ford and Fred Ford were visiting in Cisco Friday.

A. Rich and children, Ervin, Hubert, Pearlina and Augusta, were in Cisco Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lockhart and daughter, Ruby Nell were shopping in Cisco Saturday.

Clyde Freeman was in Cisco on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Carmichael were shopping in Cisco Saturday.

Mrs. John Gerhardt and her daughter, Miss Marie, were in Cisco the last of the week.

K. H. Pittard was hunting in this vicinity the latter part of the week.

Jodie Jordan was a week-end guest of his parents near Carbon.

Miss Grace Bradshaw spent the week-end in Cisco visiting her mother, Mrs. W. E. Bradshaw.

Lillian Rich and Wesley Graham are able to be out of bed after a week of illness.

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Historians' Dream of Translation of Bexar Archives Now Is Being Realized

(NOTE: The following is the first of a series of weekly articles taken from the Bexar Archives at The University of Texas. This collection, considered the greatest single historical treasure on the North American continent, has been catalogued and is now being translated by The University of Texas. It consists of 400,000 pages of original Spanish handwritten documents comprising the official archives of the Mexican government for the Department of Bexar, which covered almost the whole of what is now the State of Texas, for the period from 1731, soon after Tejas became a separate province of Mexico, to 1836, to the Battle of San Jacinto. This series of articles will consist principally of quotations from the documents, many of which have heretofore been unpublished, and will reveal for the first time what actually transpired during the century in which Texas was transformed from a wilderness inhabited only by savage Indian tribes to an independent American republic.)

AUSTIN. — Generations ago it was predicted that the translation of the documents in the Bexar Archives might necessitate the re-writing of many portions of Texas history. For years it was the dream of historians that these valuable records should be transcribed and translated. That vision is at last on the way to being realized.

When Texas won its independence, and an Anglo-American seat of government was set up within the new republic, the Mexican capital at San Antonio was abandoned. During the century that Mexico rules over Texas, San Antonio, now countyseat of the county of Bexar, was the official seat of government of the Department of Bexar and from San Antonio all of Texas was governed. The capital of Texas as a republic was never located in San Antonio, and consequently the official archives of Bexar did not become a part of the archives of the Republic, but fell into the possession of Bexar county.

Far-sighted historians realized the importance of having these records translated, but lack of funds and lack of interest on the part of competent persons blocked the project. Legislative appropriation was eventually made for the task, and a translator appointed. Little progress was made. Funds were finally dissipated.

Agreement

In 1898, an agreement was reached between the officials of Bexar county and the University of Texas, whereby these rare documents, in their entirety, were to be deposited in the university library. The materials were to be arranged, no semblance of chronological or other order having existed previously, and translations were to be made. Copies of the records, as translated, were to be furnished to the commissioners' court of Bexar county.

After removal of the priceless archives to the university library, there was still lack of financial support. Mrs. Mattie Austin Hatcher, university archivist, among a multitude of other duties, had charge of the Bexar collection. Handicapped by the lack of even a filing clerk, she worked alone. Each day she managed to retrieve a few minutes of her time to spend on Bexar Archives. Without assistance, she has assorted the hundreds of thousands of documents, has catalogued them chronologically and according to subject matter. That calendar, or index, is now complete, and the archives are in order for systematic translation.

Fortune Came.

It was in the spring of 1934, just as Mrs. Hatcher was in the last stages of making the calendar, that fortune came the way of university historians. Federal funds were allotted to the university for student relief work, and a corps of university students were set to work checking and re-checking each document and making copies of each index card. The university board of regents then appointed an official translator for the Bexar Archives, Juan Haggard-Villasans, a graduate of the university and a Spanish scholar.

In former years, translations have been made of certain documents in the Bexar Archives recognized as unusually important, but the first orderly translation

of the whole collection is now under way. The period from 1803 to 1821 was recognized as the most significant one in the history of early Texas, and the documents covering this era are the one's first to be translated. It was in 1803 that the sale of Louisiana made Texas a frontier province and a bone of contention between the United States and Spain. It was in 1821 that Mexican independence was established, opening the way for American immigration to Texas.

When the Bexar Archives came into the possession of the university in 1898, Lester G. Bugbee, then instructor in history at the university and later adjunct professor, prepared a brief description of this collection which was published in the San Antonio Express, September 23, 1898. It was later reprinted in pamphlet form, a copy of which is in the rare book section of the university's Texas collection. His article pointed out the international significance of Texas' strategic position.

"The Spanish occupation of Texas is inseparably connected with the French occupation of Louisiana," Mr. Bugbee wrote. "The founding of the missions around Nacogdoches and San Antonio is but a chapter in the history of the conflict between France and Spain for the possession of the country west of the Red river. Spain's first attempt at occupation, which was occasioned by the landing of the French LaSalle on the shores of Matagorda Bay, proved a complete failure, and in a few years Texas was again an uncivilized wilderness. Then Louisiana fell under the control of a commercial company that was more interested in opening a contraband trade with Mexico than in defending its sovereign's title to the vast wilderness to the west; under the justices of this company, another Frenchman, whom we know in Texas history as Saint-Denis, aroused Spanish jealousy by penetrating the forbidden country. But he told such tales of the wilderness of the French to yield the disputed territory, and of their desire to open trade with Mexico, that the Spanish authorities resolved to seize the opportunity to take possession; and thus it was that, under the guidance of Saint-Denis, and with the tacit consent of his superiors in Louisiana, the missions and forts around Nacogdoches and San Antonio came into existence during the years immediately following 1716. This was the beginning of the permanent occupation of Texas.

"The French soon became hos-

tile again, and from this time to 1763 the theme of greatest interest in Texas history is the attempt of the French to drive out the Spanish, and, on the other hand, the preserving endeavors of the Spanish to hold the country by civilizing and Christianizing the native tribes. Such was the political and humanitarian use made of the missions.

"A frontier settlement which joined an unfriendly neighbor needed a government of its own, so that in 1727 Texas was constituted a separate province. San Antonio was made its capital, and, but for one or two brief intervals, remained so until Texas became a republic. All the official business of the few settlements was managed by the governor of the province, who was also military commandant, and thus began the accumulation of papers which we now call the Archives of Bexar.

"When Mexico gained its independence the province of Texas became Department of Bexar, which still included nearly all the territory of the present state, and was at that time one of the administrative units of the State of Coahuila and Texas. The size of this department was not diminished until a very few years before our revolution, the district of Nacogdoches being set off in 1831 and that of Brazos in 1834. So we can say with a near approach to the truth that all the business of government relative to Texas between the dates 1727 and 1835 was carried on from San Antonio and is recorded in these papers.

"It would be an endless task, even if one possessed the information, to enumerate the events and subject mentioned in these papers. Here reposes the history of Texas to 1835, — the complete story of the rise, rule and fall of the Spanish power between the Sabine and the Rio Grande; the voluminous details of the ceaseless war against hostile tribes, with innumerable tales of thrilling incident and tragic horror; the Spanish account of the long struggle with the French; the record of the unselfish toiling of patient missionaries; the Spanish version of the quarrel between the United States and Spain; the wild story of the Mexican revolution, so intimately connected with Magee and Long; reports from the neutral ground of the gathering of turbulent crowds around Nacogdoches; and finally, the coming of the Anglo-American, the building up of the settlements, and the Revolution."

Mrs. J. E. Spencer has as her guest this week her father, C. B. Poe, of Carbon.

Will St. John has returned from a business trip in Dallas and Austin.

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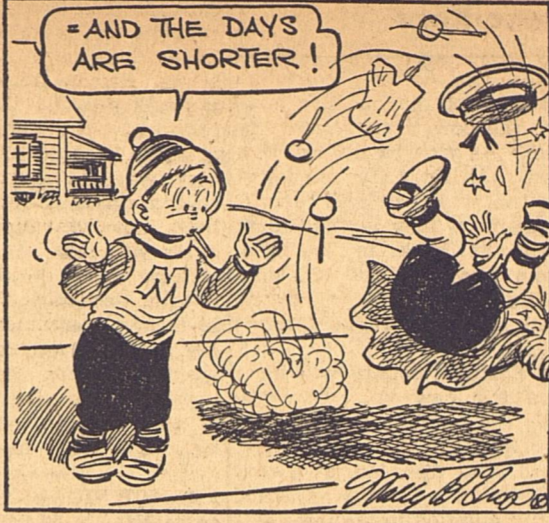
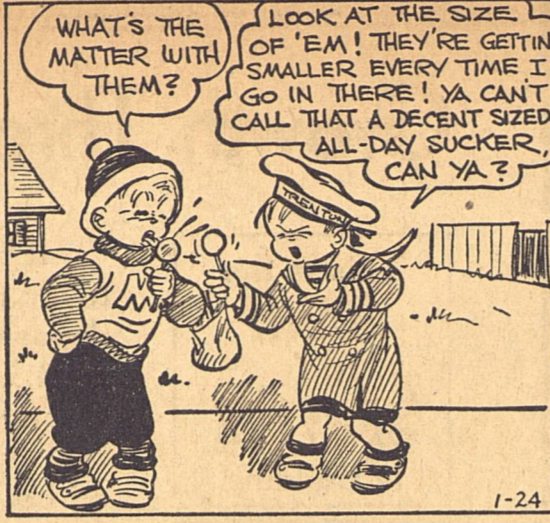
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FOR THE President

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At the Cisco Country Club

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Good Business

By WALLY BISHOP

half-witted brother he would be that guy."

A veteran east Texas representative was reading the mimeographed summary of new bills introduced at his desk in the house. He came upon a bill proposing a tax upon certain luxury items, including perfume, cigars and snuff. "Who introduced that?" he demanded, suddenly all attention. He hastily consulted the sheet and learned the snuff tax bill was signed by another east Texas legislator. "Can you imagine a guy with no better political sense than that?" he asked. "Living in east Texas and offering a bill to tax snuff. He ought to include black bass and fox-hounds and Model T Fords, too, if he wants to be sure and retire next election."

S. N. Poe left this week for an indefinite stay in Pampa.

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sions upon a dozen or more major issues of policy. Included is the liquor problem—probable submission of repeal of the state constitutional prohibition amendment, and consideration of a method of regulation of the traffic, if prohibition is wiped out in law, as it already has been in fact throughout Texas. A bitter fight against resubmission is indicated, before the amendment ever gets to the people—if it does. With Governor Allred pledged to resubmission (although personally a dry himself) and the democratic state platform likewise on record for passing the problem back to the people, the prospect is that an old-fashioned prohibition campaign will resound through the hills and dales of Texas by the Fourth of July.

Youth is having its fling in Texas' New Deal in state government. Dynamic Jimmie Allred is 36; Attorney General Bill McCraw is 39; Lieutenant Governor Walter Woodul is just entering the 40's; Carl Nesbitt of Mineola, the new adjutant general, is in his thirties. Ernest Thompson, railroad commissioner, is still in the early 40's. The elder statesmen are still represented on the railroad commission by Commissioner Lon Smith, in the comptroller's office and the general land office. The legislature, as usual, has a generous sprinkling of youthful members.

Gov. Allred, the cynosure of all eyes at present, has taken a leaf from the book of President Roosevelt in his relations with the newsmen who cover the capitol. The president's happy relations with the newshawks in Washington is traditional, and is largely responsible for his excellent "press." Gov. Allred has adopted a policy of holding his daily press conference promptly at 9:30 without fail. No matter who may be waiting, or in the office, the newsmen know they have carte blanche to "crash the gate" to his office when the clock strikes. Smilingly, Jimmie meets them, and answers all questions.

The press conferences during the Ferguson regime had declined until they were not held once in two weeks, sometimes. Usually,

Governor Jim was on hand, and did as much talking as the governor. With certain individual newsmen, Mrs. Ferguson had fairly cordial relations; toward others, whose papers dealt harshly with herself and Jim, she was bitterly antagonistic.

Job-hunters still haunt the capital. More than 3,000 have applied for places on the state ranger force, with two-score jobs to be filled, under the present setup. Every veteran peace officer in Texas, it seems, would be a Ranger. Gov. Allred and his aides handle the job-hunters suavely, but firmly. There have occurred no untoward incidents such as the "bawling out" that Jim Ferguson gave the assemblage after his wife took office two years ago, when he brusquely told us get to work."

Austin hotels are enjoying an unprecedented boom with the taking of officers by the new administration, the convening of the legislature and the consequent descent of job-seekers and lobbyists upon the capital. Frequently there are no accommodations available in the two large hosteleries. The inauguration ceremonies reflected the high mark, when thousands descended upon Austin. The travel volume here indicates the depression is definitely over in the capital, and with the Centennial coming up next year, the innkeepers are an-

ticipating a permanent residence by Santa Claus in Austin.

This story has no particular legislative significance, but here it is:

Two gentlemen, well-known members of the "third house" (the lobbyists) were discussing a freshman member of the House who had proved a bitter disappointment to them. Quite frankly, he told them he favored certain legislation they opposed—and they had understood his vote against could be counted on.

They were discussing him in a hotel lobby.

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Son of Late Ciscoan Achieves Success As Playright After 12 Years of Trying

A son of the late Max Elser of Cisco has gained recognition in one of the most difficult fields of human endeavor in which to succeed—that of a playwright—according to a story in a recent issue of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The son, Frank B. Elser, is a former Fort Worth newspaperman and was a correspondent for a New York paper with the famous Pershing expedition after Villa in Old Mexico shortly before the United States entered the World war.

Elser's success in the field of dramatics came with production of "The Farmer Takes a Wife," a play based on the Walter D. Edmond novel "Home Haul," and of which Elser was co-author with Marc Connolly, who wrote "Green Pastures." It took Elser 12 years to get his name in lights above a Broadway theater, says the Star-Telegram story, written by Robert Randol.

Here is Mr. Randol's story: While at Cornell University, Elser saw himself in print in the college magazine. The Widow. He knew then he wanted to become a writer. Returning to Fort Worth at 19 after spending a year and a half in college, he worked on the old Fort Worth Record, the old Telegram and the Fort Worth Star.

Then successively the young reporter was employed by the Little Rock Gazette, a newspaper in Oklahoma, whose name Elser said he could not remember when interviewed recently in New York for the New York Times by John K. Hutchens, and the Guthrie State Capital.

Into Show Business. Then Elser went into show business—of a sort—joining the company presenting Paine's fireworks in St. Louis. That was in 1906. Elser did not set the world afire in this pursuit so he decided to go to New York, where he obtained a job on the Sun. He did this by writing a clever story about a policeman stationed at Broad and Wall Streets who played chess by postcard with another member of the force in Yonkers.

Later he obtained work as a reporter with the Associated Press in New York. He was made city editor for this wire service and during the World war was a correspondent with the British army in Belgium. That was before the United States entered the war. Elser later was sent with General Pershing into Mexico in pursuit of the elusive Pancho Villa.

After that expedition was ended he went back to New York where he was made night city editor of the New York Times. A year and a half in that position ended his newspaper work.

Wrote Novel. Since then he has been seeking laurels and compensation in literary fields. Elser wrote a novel, "The Keen Desire," which he dramatized, but the play was not produced. Elser admits he had been lazy until he saw how hard Eugene O'Neill worked. That was in 1925.

Four years later he read Walter D. Edmond's "Rome Haul," novel upon which "The Farmer Takes a Wife" is based. He thought it would make a fine play and obtained the author's permission to dramatize it. In seven or eight months the play, first called "Low Bridge," was written and within a week was sold, but the producer failed to stage it. But it was written several times by him later and offered again to producers, who shied at it because it was a costume play.

The former Fort Worth reporter must have been discouraged by that time. But he kept hammering away. Samuel French published the play and that helped. Two Midwestern universities produced it and in February, 1933, it was given in New York by the Players Theater.

Then Marc Connolly, author of "The Green Pastures," became interested in the unusual story. He and Elser worked it over, with Connolly picking a new cast and directing the drama. And, finally, Oct. 30, 1934, the play began a successful engagement on Broadway.

The Fort Worth Little Theater missed a chance to present the drama before it opened on Broadway, but did not or could not avail itself of the opportunity to do so.

Elser is writing another play—a folk drama about Texas and Oklahoma in the transition period of the Nineties. He is writing this one alone. An earlier play of his, "The Promised Land," never produced, dealt with opening of the Cherokee Strip in Oklahoma.

Elser's dramatization of "Mr. Gilhooley," novel by Liam O'Flaherty, was praised, but the play was only fairly successful when presented several seasons ago in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Dabney have returned from Austin and Dallas.

NOBODY'S BUSINESS

By JULIAN CAPERS, JR.

AUSTIN — Speaker Coke Stevenson named his 35 important committees in the Texas house of representatives this week-end, and the ponderous machinery of democratic government made ready for action. During the next three and a half months it will grind out the laws under which Texans will live during the ensuing biennium. It will raise \$40,000,000 or more — and appropriate the sum to the various agencies and departments of governments to conduct the budgeted departments of government.

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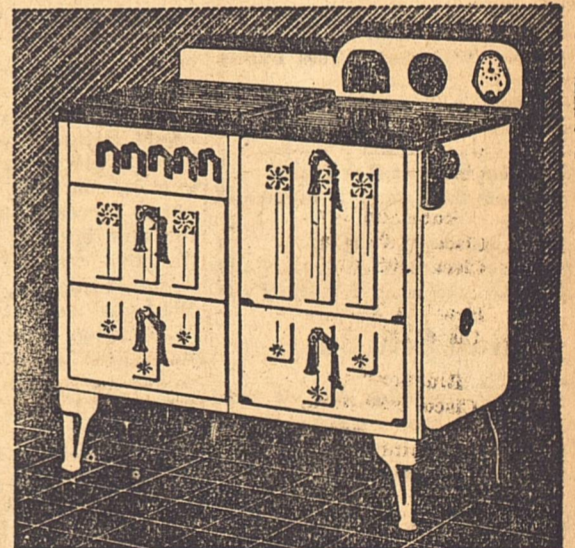
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Tax Values Adjusted

The larger part of the time of the court was taken up this week with the adjustment of tax values. Among these adjustments were the values of lot 16, blk. E, subdivision 3, in the town of Cisco, which was adjusted by a reduction to \$40. An adjustment was also made on lots 2 and 4 in Cisco, by reducing the valuations to \$1,800 for 1934.

Davenport Judge Pro-Tem

Upon motion of Com. R. O. Jacobs, which was seconded by Comm'r Arch Bint, Com. H. V. Davenport was unanimously elected judge pro-tem. of the court. Commissioner Davenport will preside during the absence or inability of Judge Garrett to serve.

COUNTY COURT

J. E. Castleberry vs. J. E. Thomson, a suit on note, was the only case filed on the county court docket this week.

JAIL NEAR READY FOR OCCUPANCY

Judge Garrett informed the Citizen-Free Press Wednesday that the repairs on the jail were practically complete, and the county bastille would soon be ready for the reception of prisoners. The jailer was moving into the family quarters Thursday. "Painting the interior and em-

bellishing the cornice, to make the exterior of the building conform to the new work, remains to be done. As soon as this work is finished, which will be the latter part of this week, we will remove those prisoners now in the jail at Breckenridge back to Eastland, and take care of others who may be guilty of infractions of the criminal statutes," Judge Garrett said.

"But Eastland county will have practically a new jail. Contractors say the building is even better and stronger than when first erected. And this, too, at a cost not exceeding \$3,000," Garrett said. "In addition to the improvements mentioned when you published the story of the jail a few weeks ago we have placed a new and modern roof on the building, which not only improves the jail and prevents any possible leakage, but is more attractive, and will make the jailbirds feel like they are housed in one of the nicest little houses of detention in the state."

MARRIAGE LICENSE

The following marriage license are of recent issue by the county clerk:

H. J. Pennington and Miss Bernice Baird, Rogers.

G. B. Clark and Miss Bertha Scott, Breckenridge.

J. L. Miller and Mrs. Laura F. Johnson, Olden.

Bob L. Greer and Mrs. Auline Denton, Eastland.

Wade Hilton and Miss Bernice Brooks, Pioneer.

PROBATE MATTERS

Other than the refile for probate of the Luse will, which is covered in another story in this issue, only the filing of the annual report of Mrs. Willie Mae Carswell, guardian of Robert B. Carswell, minor, giving an account of the receipts and expenditures of said estate, which was approved by the court, was recorded.

DOGGETT'S CASE WITH CRIMINAL APPEALS COURT

Attorney Frank Sparks, representing Clifford Doggett, convicted of murder in the death of L. F. Threet, Cisco rancher, who was shot and robbed in his pasture August 15 last, told the Citizen-Free Press Wednesday that the case was now on appeal to the court of criminal appeals. Mr. Sparks said the appeal would be based largely upon a plea of former jeopardy. He indicated he was confident that a reversal of the death penalty verdict in 88th district court would be the result. "The court has ample precedent for such a reversal decision," he said, "and the plea of former jeopardy is too strong, in my opinion, for it to do otherwise. The fact he was convicted at Baird on the charge of robbery with firearms is too clearly linked with the slaying itself." Doggett received 99 years when tried on the robbery charge at Baird. He was given the death sentence by an Eastland county jury on the murder charge.

ELIGIBLE TO SIGN COTTON CONTRACTS

"Practically all farmers are eligible to sign cotton contracts who will agree to reduce their acreage from 25 to 35 per cent with pay for the reduction, according to the information we now have from Washington," County Agent Patterson told the Citizen-Free Press Wednesday. "All reduction contracts bind the signers not to increase other crops grown for sale, but any crops cultivated for home consumption, soil fertilization, feed, etc., are not limited. We have had no information from Washington relative to increased exemption from the cotton tax under the Bankhead act," he stated.

GRAND JURY HAS AGAIN RECESSED

The 91st grand jury has recessed after more than two weeks spent in investigating the McBee "hanging skeleton" case without returning a true bill of indictment against two men and the former wife of McBee. Neither have they "no billed" any of them, and according to information gathered at the court house it is thought the jury will resume its investigation when it again reconvenes before adjournment. Three indictments have been returned in connection with the theft of an automobile and the hi-jacking of

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a Stephens county service station Jan. 13. Two are in jail at Breckenridge, and another man, charged with being implicated in this crime, Harlon Massey, is in the jail at Eastland. The sheriff's department did not know the names of those held at Breckenridge, as they were arrested by Stephens county officers. Massey has not been indicted, the Citizen-Free Press was told. Stephens county officers arrested the pair recently after exchanging shots with the hi-jackers, and after they had partially burned the Buick car, which has been identified as the property of a man named Smith, of that county. Six other true bills have been found.

PEANUT SIGNERS COMING IN SLOW

Signers under the peanut agreement are signing very slow, County Agent Patterson also reported. "These contracts specify that signers only agree not to increase the acreage planted to peanuts over that which was planted on his farm, or the land he will cultivate this year, over that which grown on that farm in 1934. "So far very few peanut growers have appeared before the committees to cooperate with the government on this contract, and unless they come in by next Thursday it will be everlastingly too late, as these offices will be closed Jan. 31. They should not wait until the last few days to come in, as they may then lose out. The force is limited, and can do just so much work in a day. If you are left out it will be your own fault," he warned growers.

Patterson stated that land that had not been planted in peanuts last year, may be planted this year, but such land is not eligible to contract under the peanut project. The grower can plant them and sell the nuts on the open market, however, he said.

PAYING POLL TAX FOR 1934

County Tax Assessor and Collector Tom Haley reported some increased activity in poll tax payments. There had been 1305 paid up to noon Wednesday. The usual period for paying poll tax still prevails. One must pay this tax before January 31 if he desires to participate in any election that may be held during 1935, and there may be some important matters come up for consideration. Possibly state repeal of prohibition will be submitted, and there may be constitutional amendments to be voted on, and the city elections occur in April.

Autoist Given More Time

Motor car owners are more fortunate. The time to buy license plates has been extended to March 31, and plates will not be on sale until February. Car owners can use 1934 plates till March 31 without penalty.

88TH DISTRICT COURT CASES FILED

K. C. Foreman vs. Wichita Falls, Ranger & Southern railroad, damages.

In re. Texas State bank, application to sell property.

American Mutual Liability Co. vs. C. M. Durham, to set aside award of Industrial Accident Board.

Judgment and Orders

W. G. Williams vs. N. B. Gray, foreclosure of vendors lien. Judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$2,143.

Fay Oldham vs. Horace Oldham. Judgment for plaintiff and restoration of maiden name of Faye Frost.

MOTHER OF C. S. ELDRIDGE DEAD

Friends of C. S. Eldridge, county school superintendent, are extending condolence on the death of his mother, Mrs. M. J. Eldridge, who died at her home in Clyde Monday at 9:30 p. m., at the age of 75 years. She was buried in the Clyde cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Eldridge's death followed an illness of many years. She was born in Smith county near Tyler, in 1860.

Luse Will---

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ing jurisdiction, prays the court that citation be issued and that said will be admitted to probate, and for such other orders as required in such matters be issued."

Wende's application was approved Jan. 3, 1935, and proof of the will was made upon the oath of L. D. Wilson, who with George L. Huestis, deceased, witnessed the signing of the will at the request of Luse. Upon the order of the court citation and other necessary orders were issued, resulting in the probating of the will in the county court, which is clothed with probate jurisdiction.

Luse, An Early Resident

J. E. Luse, a young attorney, came to Eastland county from his native state of Pennsylvania and located in Eastland where he opened a law office, but soon moved to Cisco in 1882, where he continued the practice of law for only a short time. Being a good business man, frugal in his habits, he soon acquired considerable

property in and near Cisco. One tract of land is located just beyond the southern limits of Cisco. A well was drilled on this property, being spudded in early in the year of 1921 and brought in as a small producer during the year of 1923, at a depth of 3,615 feet, by the Drewery interests. This was the first deep well ever drilled near the city limits. That oil in paying quantities could be found in or near Cisco was proved by this well, which, though of small production, has been a consistent producer since it first came in, despite the fact it was subject to many vicissitudes during the drilling period. The hole, at first, was practically ruined, and the operators were without funds. After passing through various hands, many of whom, unfortunately, were more interested in promotion than production the well was taken over by the Drewery interests and completed for a small producer. It has been giving up the golden fluid from that day to the present time. Pete Hoffman now owns the well, which is making seven barrels of high gravity oil every 24 hours.

Owned Other Property

Other property owned by Luse in Cisco included the half block in front of the First Baptist church, on West Ninth street, and fronting on D and E avenues. His residence was on the west of the lot where the Gulf station now is. Another parcel of land in Cisco which was Luse property is the quarter block on West Seventh street, in front of the Howard D'Spain home, at the corner of G avenue. This property is, or was once owned by George Ruppert.

Gave Up Law Practice

G. W. Daniels, who came to Cisco as another young attorney about the time the Mr. Luse located here, says that Luse only practiced law for a short while after coming to Cisco, but engaged in the real estate business, to which he devoted most of his time. One reason, probably, that he quit the practice of law was the fact that he developed an impediment in speech. For several years previous to his death he could hardly speak above a whisper, and with difficult articulation.

Masonic Orders Beneficiaries

Mr. Luse was a loyal Mason, being a member of the local Masonic orders, and his behest of the major portion of his estate to institutions fostered by this fraternity is not surprising. His will, as probated, lists the beneficiaries. Without reciting the full text, we give a brief synopsis of his behests:

After reciting his place of residence, the will states that he desired his body be conveyed to Colerain, Pa., and buried in the cemetery of that place; that his just debts be paid, and provision be made for his tombstone. He bequeathed to "my friend, Gladys Whiteman," \$2,000; to his brother, J. W. Luse, \$2,000; to the Royal Arch Chapter, A. F. & A. M., for the benefit of aged Masons, \$5,000. The residue of his estate, the will directed after the above bequests were paid, was to be given to the Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M., for the use and benefit of the Masonic school and home at Arlington. Demonstrating his frugality, as well as his vision, the will recites that only so much of his estate be sold as will be necessary to pay his debts and the legacies mentioned, and in such sale all mineral rights be reserved and passed on with the residue of his estate to the Masonic Grand lodge for the benefit of the Masonic school and home. J. E. Luse died in Cisco at an advanced age August 7, 1925, and his will was probated in the Eastland county court-at-law August 22 of that year.

Specs---

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couples into the precincts of the city hall to lay charges of fighting and disturbing the peace against four or five. The trouble with Joe in this particular case was that he didn't choose newspaper hours for business and the newspaperman was forced to look on somewhat sadly as the press back in the office ground out the last of the edition, too early for the yarn.

I don't know what would be the more amusing—a convention of guineas after a diet of red pepper, or thirty tipping couples in a police station. I've never seen a convention of guineas after a diet of red pepper. But I did see the tipping couples in a police station with Joe sitting solidly at the JP

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desk, writing out the complaints and I am moved to think that the guineas would be at a disadvantage in comparison. Chattering, gabbling, fussing and feminine shrillness was scattered all over the city hall and the street in front of it.

None of the group were from Cisco, but you ought to see how you look when you go visiting for your fun.

Local Produce Markets

Local produce markets in Cisco Thursday were paying: Grains—Barley, 75c; oats, 50 to 55 cents; wheat, 90 cents. Hay—50 cents. Cotton—12½ cents lb. Cotton seed—\$40 per ton. Head maize—\$25 per ton. Ear corn, \$1.00.

Turkeys—No. Ones, 13 cents; No. Twos, 7 cents; old toms, 9 cents.

Chickens—Light hens, 8 cents; heavy hens, 10 cents; bakers, 10 cents; fryers, 15 cents. Eggs—20 cents. Green hides—2 cents. Furs—Top market prices.

Close on Ft. Worth Livestock

FORT WORTH, January 24.—HOGS—Receipts, 1,400 including 450 direct. Market mostly steady. Top of \$7.90 paid by packers for good to choice 185 to 280 lb. truck hogs. Mixed grade rail hogs received bids of \$7.60 down. Bulk better grades 150 to 180 lb., \$6.25 to \$7.80; pigs mostly \$3.50 to \$4.; packing sows steady, \$7 to \$7.25; light lights, \$5 to \$7.40; light heavy, \$7.65 to \$7.90; packing sows, \$6.50 to \$7.25.

CATTLE—Receipts, commercial 1,000, gov't, 50; calves, commercial 600, gov't, 150. Market active and fully steady at week's advances on all classes slaughter cattle; weighty steers scarce; one load plain strong weights, \$5.75; one

load choice 763 lb. yearlings, \$9.50; other good fed yearlings, \$8 to \$8.50; some inbetween fed yearlings and 2 year olds, \$7.35 to \$7.60. Small lots fat cows up to \$4.50; butcher sorts around \$2.75 to \$3.50; cutters and low cutters, \$1.50 to \$2.50; bulls scarce.

Stocker trade nominal; slaughter calves strong, run lacking in quality, few good heavies \$5.50 to \$6; other weighty averages around and under \$5.

SHEEP—Receipts 1,300, market rcts mostly, lambs selling steady; 2 decks good fed lambs \$8; medium grade lambs \$7 to \$7.25; few fall shorn yearlings, \$6; feeder lambs mostly \$5 to \$5.75.

Advance estimates for January 25, commercial cattle and calves, 1,000.

Government cattle and calves, none. Hogs, 900. Sheep, 400.

Checks Delivered on Corn-Hog Contracts

County Agent J. C. Patterson Thursday morning delivered to a number of participating growers here the second of the government checks on corn-hog reduction contracts. Mr. Patterson met the farmers at the chamber of commerce offices.

Personals

Dexter Shelly has returned from Austin. Commissioner and Mrs. H. C. Henderson have returned from Dallas where they visited their new granddaughter, Mary Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Henderson. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Henderson's mother, Mrs. S. E. Sisk.

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Stephenson are expecting as their guests this week-end Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Denning, of Dallas. Mr. Denning is general manager of the eastern division of the Lone Star and Community Natural Gas companies. Mrs. A. T. Boland of Dallas and Mrs. J. E. Crawford of Nashville, Tenn., are the guests of their

father, G. W. Daniels, and sister, Miss Mable Daniels.

Wendell Hickey of Breckenridge, was a visitor in Cisco this week. W. J. Armstrong is transacting business in Brown county this week.

Dr. D. Ball was called to Lillian Thursday on account of the illness of his father.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bahan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. O'Brien Tuesday en route from California to their home in Shreveport, La.

Mrs. J. B. Cate is visiting relatives in Breckenridge this week. All circles of the First Presbyterian church will have prayer meeting at the church on Friday and Saturday afternoons at 2 o'clock.



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