

Committee of Eight Hears Report of Special Auditor

Report Neither Condemns Nor Exonerates Any Person—Engineer's Report Will be Made Next Tuesday—Disbursements Total \$2,114,972.44.

The Committee of Eight met in the city of Eastland last Monday and heard the report of the special auditor, employed by the committee. This report neither condemns nor exonerates any person or persons in connection with the county's finances, but is merely a statement of the facts as they exist. Next Tuesday the committee is scheduled to meet again in Eastland, at which time they will hear the report of the special engineer, Mr. John Mead, and his report will be checked against the auditor's report.

Much muck-raking has been going on over the county regarding the situation which really has no place in the discussion of the affairs of the county at this time. The people are not interested in personalities, as the public is more concerned about resumption of road work than what any one thinks of any other individual. If not molested, and the water is not muddied by this campaign of personalities that is being injected into the situation, it is believed the Committee of Eight will work out the tangle to some kind of satisfactory solution, that will bring about the resumption of highway construction.

The report of the special auditor, which is given out by Secretary Harrell of the committee, simply gives the financial receipts from road bond sales, and for what purposes these funds have been disbursed. Perhaps the only way that it can be determined whether graft has been practiced in the management of this fund is to wait until the engineer has made his report and this checked against the report of the auditor. Everyone

supposed that the books of the county would show that every dollar expended was for some purpose. Whether these expenditures have been judiciously and economically made, or whether excessive prices have been placed on materials purchased, and estimates padded, are matters that must yet be determined. Probably the committee will be able to go into this phase of the matter after receiving the engineer's report Tuesday.

The report as made by the auditor, and given out by Secretary Harrell is as follows:

The auditors, Hutchenson & Smith, certified public accountants of Dallas, have made a thorough investigation into all phases of this account and have come to the general conclusion that there has been no misappropriation of funds or other criminal acts by Judge Starnes, the commissioners, court or other individuals disclosed by this audit.

The engineer is making an entirely independent check of the actual work done on the different projects and his report will be considered separately and checked against the findings of the auditor. In the meantime, for the benefit of the people of the county at large, the committee gives some general figures, and below will be found a schedule of receipts and disbursements, together with the balance now on hand in the Security State Bank at Eastland, and elsewhere.

These figures will speak for themselves.

Receipts	
Bond Issues A and B	\$ 180,000.00
Bond Issues C and D	1,876,000.00
Net Interest Received	58,972.44
Total Receipts	\$2,114,972.44
Disbursements	
Actual Construction Work	\$1,171,072.12
Right of way, fences, condemnation pro.	68,743.71
Location and Engineering	145,371.72
General Office and Engineering Expenses as follows:	
Engineering Equipment	\$11,716.35
Building and repairs	7,512.57
Gen'l. overhead, including Chief Engineer's Sal	27,024.21
Office Operations	8,181.12
Office Salary, Treasury's Office	1,625.00
Drafting Room Operations	16,472.88
Right of Way Expenses	18,448.90
Bond Expenses	18,093.28
Surety Bond Premium	10,000.00
Right of Way to Quarry	500.00
Railway Switching—Ringling	11,500.00
Material Survey	1,000.00
Traveling Expenses, Federal Aid	482.55
Accounting Services	445.67
Expense Commissioners' Court	103.53
Sundry Accounts (see report)	5,285.92
Advanced on Material	37,197.05
Equipment Act. (charged to Fleming & Stitzer)	170,057.33
Total Disbursements	\$1,730,833.91
Balance on hand	384,138.53
Receipts	\$2,114,972.44

The figures above represent a simple analysis of a fifty-page report given by the auditors, and any citizens sufficiently interested will be given the opportunity to look over the larger report and form his own conclusions.

Covers All Projects
 The report divides the disbursements in the most minute detail and covers every project in the county separately; there are, all told, in the county,

twenty-two projects. There have been a number of questions which have arisen in the minds of various citizens of the county and on these questions the committee desires to shed some light by furnishing the facts as disclosed by the audit. Among the important of these questions is the amount due to and from the Fleming & Stitzer Road Building Company. This account is reproduced below:

Total Estimates	\$1,130,477.27
Cash Paid on Estimates	\$ 836,491.23
Bond Discount Charged—	
Withheld	181,854.16
(1) Net withheld	56,160.00
(2) Bridge Materials	33,016.66
(3) Balance on Garage	4,180.39
(4) Equipment and Materials—	
R. R. Equipment	5,875.96
Industrial R. R.	59,728.79
Rock Crusher	31,857.17
Road Roller	3,300.35
Contractor's Outfit	6,020.40
(5) Advance and Freight on State Highway Dept. Transfers—	
Road Machinery, Tools, etc.	42,663.64
Motor Trucks	20,611.12
Debit Balance	151,282.50
	\$1,281,759.77
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(1) This item of \$56,160.00 represents the discount on bonds sold, money for which is now in Security State Bank of Eastland, and deductible at the rate of \$16,000.00 per

\$100,000.00 from contractor's monthly estimates.
 (2) This item of \$33,016.66 is (CONTINUED ON PAGE 4, COL. 4)



All Cisco Pays Tribute to Memory of Overseas Dead

Body of Thomas R. Smith, Cisco Boy Who Made the Supreme Sacrifice, Given Military Funeral Yesterday—Killed in Action in 1918.

Cisco paid tribute to the memory of Roy Graves, who was the first Cisco boy to fall, only a few weeks ago, and there yet remains to arrive the third, Clyde Aycock, whose remains are now enroute. But yesterday Cisco honored the memory of Thomas R. Smith, son of Mr. W. T. Smith of this city. The body reached here on the belated Sunshine Special over the Texas & Pacific railroad, about 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, and was taken in charge by the H. C. Wippen undertaking establishment, and conveyed to the home of his parents to await the funeral yesterday, which was held in the First Methodist church, conducted by the pastors of the city, except Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, who is out of town.

The funeral was at two o'clock, and the business houses of the city remained closed during the services. The church was comfortably filled by those who wished to show their respect for the dead hero, who had gathered there to pay their respects to his memory. Beautiful floral offerings and potted plants filled the altar while the pulpit and bier was draped with the American flag, with two ex-service men as sentinels over the body of their dead comrade, standing rigid, one at the head and the other at the foot of the casket, during the entire service.

Dr. Leslie read an appropriate Biblical selection, and the prayer was offered by Rev. E. H. Holmes, pastor of the First Christian church. After the male quartette had rendered the selection: "We'll Never Say Good Bye in Heaven," Rev. C. G. Howard, pastor of the First Baptist church, introduced Rev. Anson Campbell of Ryan, Oklahoma, former pastor of deceased, under whom he was converted, and by whom he was baptized. Mr. Campbell gave a short sketch of the brief career of the dead, and delivered a most appropriate address, which was listened to with the closest attention.

The deceased was given a military funeral, the John William Butts Post, American Legion, and the American Red Cross Society having charge of this feature. Rev. Campbell, who delivered the address, also saw overseas service, and like the members of the local Post, was in regulation uniform. After the services at the church the body was given a military escort and conveyed to the family burying ground at Gunsight, where lie the remains of the mother of this over seas soldier and hero, who gave his life for the betterment of mankind.

The ball players were ex-service men, and were H. O. Patterson, Crigger Paschall, Fred Michael, John Childs, L. L. Smith and Robert Shepherd. Thomas R. Smith was born near Gunsight, but later removed with his parents to Oklahoma, and entered the service at Camp Bowie in 1918 and died in action October 18th of that year. He was a member of Co. E, 36th Division.

He was 29 years of age, and entered the service from Lindsey, Okla. A chief mourner was Miss Elsie Arrington, a former sweetheart, of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.

ALL MILLS HAVE STARTED WORK

Jack Kohlbrener of the Art's Shoe Company, has Returned From Eastern Markets, Reports Cotton Mills Active After Long Rest.

Mr. Jack Kohlbrener, manager of the Art's Shoe company, which has stores in Cisco, Abilene and Eastland, returned Wednesday night from the eastern markets, where he went to purchase goods for the company's three stores. Mr. Kohlbrener went direct to Boston, thence to New York Cincinnati and other marts, spending some time in each place and taking notes of business conditions as they exist in the wholesale centers of the country.

Mr. Kohlbrener stated that he found prices reasonable in the shoe line for all stocks on hand, but considerable advance on orders to be made up. "There has been no drop in tennis shoes, or any cloth makes, owing to the recent boost of the cotton market," stated Mr. Kohlbrener. "The most encouraging indication of returning prosperity I noticed was the fact that all the mills in the east have resumed operations. Since the commencement of the panic all factories have been shut down and many factories have allowed their water to run low, as all big factories in the east run by water power. Now these reservoirs are being put in condition to hold the water, preparatory to a general resumption of operations. This can be traced directly to the rise in cotton. A better tone prevails everywhere I went, and I am well pleased with what I learned while on this trip."

BOND ISSUE CARRIES BY 3 TO 1 IN ELECTION LAST TUESDAY

The special election held Tuesday last for the purpose of giving the city commission authority to issue \$500,000 in bonds for the purpose of completing the dam and extending the water service of the city, resulted in the people favoring the proposition by a vote of over three to one. There was slight opposition to the proposition, and all realized that the completion of this project is one of the best assets the city can have, and would, in fact, be a calamity should it not be completed. With Lake Cisco a reality the permanence of the city is assured. The vote, however was very light, as the results showed there were only 285 electors favoring the proposition by coming out and voting for the issuance of the bonds, while the opposition could muster but 72 votes against it.

Just what plans the city will adopt is not yet determined. Probably the commission will formally declare the Friestedt company forfeited its contract, and may enter into a new contract with other parties. If a new contract is made it is probable that Cisco firms will be strong competitors in the bidding. The American is informed that it is probable that the Johnston Construction company will likely place their bid for the con-

Cultivating Tomatoes for Profit in Eastland County

J. W. Hancock Visit Truck Section of East Texas and Tells of Things He Learned About Growing and Marketing Tomatoes.

BLEASE COMPANY STAGES BARBECUE

September 19th Will be Demonstration Day for the Fordson Tractor—Scene to be in Mancill Addition at the West End of Seventh Street.

Every farmer and those interested directly in agriculture, should be in Cisco Monday, September 19th, to witness the Fordson Demonstration which will be staged by the Blease Motor company, authorized Ford dealers. The Blease people will be hosts to every visitor who cares to see this wonderful implement in action. The demonstration will be thorough, and the many uses of the Fordson tractor will be shown. Besides this instructive feature a free barbecue will be given for the visitors at which there will be plenty of ice water and lemonade served during the entire day. The demonstration will start at 10 o'clock in the morning, and the scene will be in the Mancill addition, at the west end of Seventh street. Free transportation to and from the grounds will be furnished by the Blease Motor company, starting from their place of business opposite the City Hall.

In recent years the bright lights and higher salaries of the cities have contributed largely in inducing farmers' sons to leave the country for the cities; but the bright lights were not the only contributing cause. Farm life had become a drudgery under ancient methods of farming. A factor that has contributed much toward making farm life attractive is the Fordson tractor. This little machine makes farming pleasant as well as profitable. See the Fordson Tractor in action Monday, September 19th. Particulars will be found in the large advertisement appearing in this issue of The American, in which the Blease Motor company invites you to be their guest on this day.

LITTLE HARRY PAUL SCHAEFER DIES SUDDENLY

The friends of the family were shocked Saturday when the news came to them that the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Schaefer had expired, at their home 100 West Eleventh street. The little fellow, who was born July 15th, was not quite two months old, and the pride of his parents' hearts. He was suddenly taken with spasms, and before medical aid could be summoned, had expired. The body was buried in the city cemetery Sunday morning, Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, pastor of the First Methodist church conducting the ceremony.

Last week the American published the results of tomato growing given by Mr. J. W. Hancock in the Rising Star X-Ray. Mr. Hancock has made a success of growing tomatoes for the market this year, and after he had given the facts to the X-Ray, the Chamber of Commerce of Rising Star delegated him to go into the truck growing section of East Texas and make a personal investigation of the methods used for profitably handling tomatoes.

Mr. Hancock went into the Jacksonville country, where tomatoes are more extensively grown than in any other section of Texas. This vegetable is shipped out of that place in car lots, where land that once thought worthless has increased many hundred fold in value since it has been demonstrated that it produces a tomato unexcelled in flavor. The tomato grown in the coast country lacks the flavor and firmness found in the Jacksonville tomato. The Cisco Country will produce just as fine tomatoes as those raised in Jacksonville, and with the same intelligent method of production and marketing, can be just as profitable.

Mr. Hancock gives an account of what he saw at Jacksonville, which is copied from the X-Ray:

At the request of the Rising Star Chamber of Commerce I went to Jacksonville, Texas, to get information on the truck growing industry of East Texas, especially tomato growing.

After having visited farms, interviewed farmers, bankers, sales agents and farm agents I submit the following:

The tomato land is well broken in the fall or winter and allowed to lie until three or four weeks before time for setting out the plants when rows are laid off with a large shovel, four to five feet apart. Fertilizer is distributed in these furrows and covered with two furrows with a shovel or turn plow, which leaves a bed where the row is to be.

Seeds are planted in hot beds Jan. 15th to 20th and if properly cared for will have plants ready for the cold frames in about five weeks. Plants taken from cold frames to field March 15th, to April 1st. Acme, Redfield, Beauty and Early Detroit are leading varieties.

Cultivation.
 Cultivation is begun immediately after plants are set in the field and continued at frequent intervals, using sweeps run shallow, until harvest begins.

After tomato plants have started vigorous growth a small stake is driven by each plant to which the plant is later tied to help support the weight of fruit and keep the plant erect.

Plants must be pruned each week until the desired amount of fruit is "set," then it is topped to prevent the further growth and throw the strength of the roots into maturing the fruit.

Picking and Packing
 Two methods of packing are practical in Eastern Texas—field packing and shed packing.

All tomatoes to be sold "pink" are packed at the field, by the grower, in four basket crates. "Pinks" are shipped in refrigerator cars.

Shed packing is used in the green "deal." Mature green tomatoes are gathered into bushel baskets, hauled to a central packing shed at shipping point where they are graded, wrapped and packed in six basket crates by expert packers. Green tomatoes are shipped in ventilated cars using no ice and may be shipped long distances. Jacksonville tomatoes were sold in Canada this season.

250 four-basket crates is considered an average yield per acre, though 400 to 500 crates are not uncommon.

The average price this season was 85c per crate in spite of the fact that the last third of the shipment only brought 12c on account of continued rains ruining the crop. Buyers all left or refused to buy except on commission. Many cars were shipped that way but the tomatoes were so water soaked that they would not stand shipment and the growers barely got cost of crates. Average price this year before rain damage was \$1.20 per crate. Average price this last year was \$1.27 per crate. It was (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6, COL. 2)

THE PUBLIC WELFARE

IS THE PRIMARY CONCERN OF EVERY WELL ORDERED AND INTELLIGENTLY ADMINISTERED NEWSPAPER

The position of the newspaper in the business world's unique. To be successful, it must be handled strictly as a business proposition, nevertheless from the nature of the case a newspaper must be a quasi-public institution. Self interest if nothing else, demands that it shall subserve the best interests of the community in which it is published. An illiterate, unenlightened, unprogressive community is one in which a newspaper cannot thrive. The function of the newspaper is to disseminate not only the news of the day but also to give publicity to the best thoughts of the day. The newspaper's the real circulating library. The universal univerty if you will pardon the solecism. It conveys and interprets the news of events, developments and discoveries in the arts, sciences, professions and literature. The newspaper is prophet, priest and pedagogue. The primal pre-requisite for its high calling is infrangible integrity. It must be free of the influence of special interest, controlled by no clique, clan, or combination, guiltless of ulterior motive, and yet it must be a business enterprise. It has employees to pay, material to buy, obligations to meet.

To fulfil it's highest destiny the newspaper must strive hands with the public at large. It must enter into a solemn compact with the whole community, that in return for the support of the public, "the greatest good to the greatest number" shall at all times control its policies and that it shall know no high, no low, no great, no small, but that all sides of questions shall equal access to the publicity of its pages.

The Cisco American

The Family Newspaper of the Cisco country

is earnestly striving to adhere to the policy outlined above. It dares not hope that all its readers will at all times agree with its editorial utterances, but it opens its columns to the expressions of divergent views and asks its readers to avail themselves of them, merely insisting that no communication shall be abusive or needlessly harsh. But remember that it is your paper. It is designed to serve you and in order that it may best do that, it asks for your co-operation. First, if you are not a subscriber, become one. Second, say a kind word for it, Recommend it to your neighbor. Ask him to subscribe. The greater our circulation, the greater our influence for good in the community will be.

Our plan of offering prizes to stimulate interest in our circulation, is not new. On the contrary it is very old, as most other good things are, but we feel that you will take an interest in assisting some lady in your community in securing one of these prizes. If the name of the lady for whom you wish to cast your vote does not appear in the list, please fill out the nomination coupon which appears on this page and send it in with your subscription. It will be counted for one thousand votes in addition to those to which your subscription entitles you. The contestants nominated to date are as follows:

The contestants are as follows:	Miss Blanche Stephens, Cisco.	Miss Beulah Yarborough, Dothan.
Miss Gertrude Caldwell, Cisco.	Miss Grace Merket, Nimrod.	Miss Pearl Daniels, Carbon.
Miss Beatrice Farquhar, Cisco.	Miss Zoneta McCracken, Romney.	Miss Irene White, Carbon.
Mrs. Susie Webster, Cisco.	Miss Cora Cozart, Scranton.	
Mrs. G. C. Richardson, Cisco.	Miss Loma Deal, Nimrod.	Miss Letha Eager, Cisco.
Miss Laura Kittrell, Cisco.	Miss Mattie Lindley, Gunsight.	Miss Thelma Brown, Cisco.

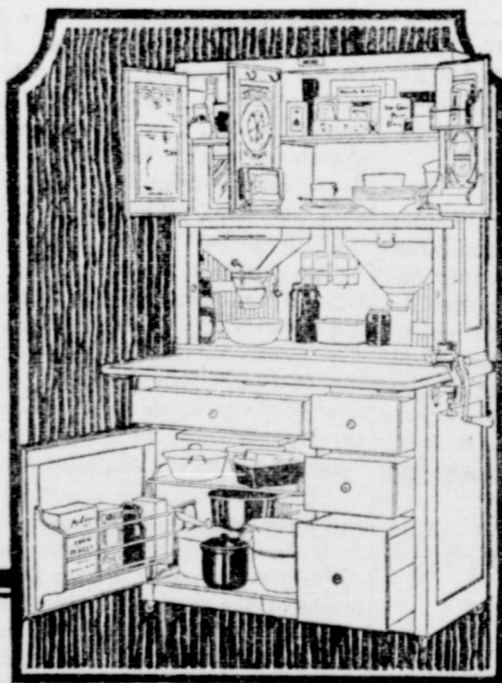
HOOSIER

— the Kitchen Cabinet that saves miles of steps



At the day's beginning

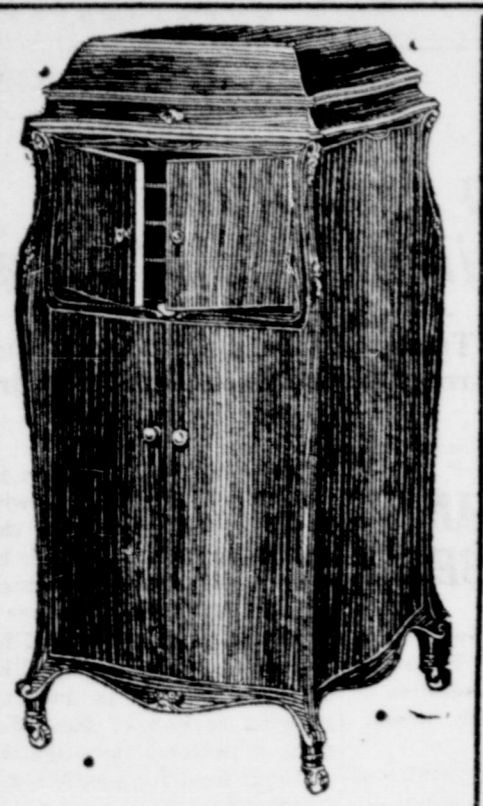
When work hours finally end



KITCHEN CABINET

Woman's work at best is grievously toilsome and monotonous. Anything which can be devised to lighten it, is a boon not only to womanhood but to humanity, for upon the conservation of woman's strength, depends her ability to make those deft personal touches that create that sweetest of all things, home

The Hoosier Cabinet places everything that is used in the kitchen, at the finger tips of the busy housewife, saving her not only miles of steps, but hours of precious time. See them at Cisco Furniture Co.



VICTROLA

Music is the universal art. There is no race so savage and no individual so uncouth but that music, good music, makes its appeal. Until within very recent years however, most of us but rarely had the opportunity to hear really good music. The Victrola changes all that. It requires no training, no skill to operate. It demands merely the capacity to enjoy. It has brought the best in music to thousands of homes where before, music of any kind was a rarity. Let us do the same thing for your home. See the one we are offering as a prize at Nunn Electric Co.

To the Contestants

PRESENT AND PROSPECTIVE

Don't be afraid to get out and work for subscriptions. The peculiar genius of the American people is such that they admire a worker. The world loves a winner. Be one. You can if you determine that you will. Here at the office we hear many expressions of admiration for those who are actively trying to win. In soliciting subscriptions from the office, we are constantly finding men who tell us that they have promised their votes to this or that contestant, so don't become discouraged if you sometimes fail to get a subscription when you go after it. Your work is not lost.

Let us help you. We will be glad to send sample copies of the paper to those whom you wish to solicit by mail. Write some letters to those you have not been able to see. There are men and women both who have moved away from Eastland County, who would be glad to subscribe for a local paper and have it sent to them if it were called to their attention. Send us their names and let us send them a sample of the paper, and you write a letter asking them to subscribe. We have special blanks for this purpose. Let us know how many of them you can use.

Don't get discouraged and feel that you have no chance. That is the one thing that can beat you. Keep at it. It is our purpose to have a contestant in every part of this section of the county, so that if you cover your immediate neighborhood well, you have an excellent chance of winning. Any subscribers that you can get from the outside, will just add that much to your chances.

Don't be afraid to solicit subscriptions from strangers. Eastland county people are all neighbors and the fact that you are not personally acquainted with a man is no reason why you should not ask him for his subscription, either by letter or in person. Let us repeat, WRITE LETTERS. You will be surprised at the results. We will furnish you with printed matter describing the contest, which you can mail with your letters, so that you will not have to write detailed explanations.

Don't get the impression that it is too late to start. Unless there is a contestant in your immediate community you have just as good a chance right now as if you had started sooner, but do not wait until some one enters from your neighborhood. Be the first. Get a subscriber and have him fill the nomination blank and send it in with his subscription. If you never hoped to win a prize, the cash commissions we pay are worth working for. Write us at once and let us give you the printed helps we have at the office.

ANOTHER THING

We would like as far as possible, to have each out of town contestant, act as our news correspondent. We will pay well for this news matter and it is a very easy thing to get it up. All that we ask is that you give the local personal and social happenings in plain simple language just as you would in writing them to a friend away. That, in fact, is what you are doing. You are writing them for all the friends of the people mentioned, so that they may know what is occurring in your community. We are not asking for big exciting news items. Of course if any happens, we want it, but it is the little things that make up life and it is the little everyday happenings that up the news for a local newspaper.



DIAMOND

The diamond is the emblem of purity. It is an old superstition that it preserves peace and disperses storms. It is the birth stone for April. There are few gems more precious and none more popular. There is no gem more beautiful than a flawless, pure white diamond. See this one at Haltom & Mitchell's Jewelry Store.

Rules of the contest

Any lady is eligible as a contestant, except an employee, a member of the family of an employee of the American, or the mother, wife, daughter or sister of such an employee.

One hundred votes will be given with each yearly subscription to the weekly American at \$1.50 paid in advance.

Ten votes will be given for the coupon printed in each copy of the paper. It will be in a different place each issue.

The Victrola and Diamond Ring, being of approximately equal value, will both be regarded as first prizes. One will be given to the lady living in Cisco, who receives the largest number of votes. The other will be given to the lady living outside of Cisco, who receives the most votes. At the close of the contest, the leaders in these two groups will meet and decide by mutual agreement which prize shall go to each.

The second prize, a seventy five dollar, Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet, will go to the lady who receives the greatest number of votes after the winners of the first two prizes.

As a guarantee of the perfect impartiality which should characterize a contest of this nature, the ballots will be safeguarded in the following manner.

(a) A ballot box will be placed in the Guaranty State Bank & Trust Company at Cisco, and sealed with the seal of the bank. All ballots will be placed therein by the voter or by some person representing him.

(b) At the close of the contest, each contestant will be invited to have a representative to witness the opening of the ballot box and the counting of the ballots.

(c) Each ballot must be presented at the office of the American, for record, before being voted.

(d) Votes are positively not transferable. Once placed in the ballot box, they will be counted as cast.

Nomination Coupon

I nominate Mrs. _____
Miss _____
whose address is _____
as the most REPRESENTATIVE lady in
the _____
_____ Community.

Signed _____

This coupon if presented by a subscriber, is good for 1000 votes for the lady nominated hereon, in addition to the votes given for the subscription, if not previously nominated

CASH AWARDS

IN ORDER THAT THOSE WHO ASSIST US IN THIS CAMPAIGN AND FAIL TO RECEIVE PRIZES, MAY NOT FEEL THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS HAVE BEEN LOST, A CASH AWARD OF TWENTY-FIVE CENTS FOR EACH SUBSCRIPTION PERSONALLY TURNED IN, WILL BE PAID TO THOSE CONTESTANTS FAILING TO RECEIVE PRIZES.

Vaughn Drug Co.

School Days! School Days!

As we look back at them in retrospect they become

"THE DEAR OLD GOLDEN RULE DAYS"

—But to the child, as he looks forward to them in prospect, and thinks of giving up the joys of vacation, they are sometimes days of gloom. Banish that feeling from his mind. It is harmful to him.

—Bring him to this store and help him to pick out the supplies that will be needed. In a twinkling he will have forgotten his gloom and will be looking forward eagerly to the time to use the new pencils, pens, tablets, drawing materials, etc. Cap the climax by buying him a Fountain Pen.

Vaughn Drug Co.

MEETING OF PLEASANT HILL MARKETING ASSOCIATION

The members of the Pleasant Hill Marketing Association are requested to meet at Pleasant Hill school house Saturday, September 10, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of transacting any business that may be thought advisable. The main object of this meeting is for the purpose of perfecting an reorganization, and to set regular days of shipping live stock to market. Every old member is urgently requested to be in attendance, and new members are solicited. If you are a farmer, or raising live stock, we want you with us. In co-operation there is success, and this applies more especially in co-operative marketing. We believe you will be benefitted by co-operating with us, and we hope to be able to help you. Demonstrator R. H. Bush has been invited to be with us on this occasion.

N. S. KINARD, President
T. L. LASATER, Secretary.

GETTING TO BE A HABIT

Mr. O. P. Weiser of Route 3, was in Cisco Saturday, and like most well informed farmers are doing, he ordered The American sent to his address. It is getting to be a habit now with the farmers—ordering The American sent to them, because they are beginning to realize that The American is being published in their interest.

CISCO DIRECTORY \$1.00 at all News Stands.

WORTH WINGO CONFESSES KILLING HUDIE JACKSON

According to the Eastland Chronicle, Worth Wingo made a confession, after being taken to jail at Eastland. The Chronicle says:

Worth Wingo, negro, charged with killing Hudie Jackson, another negro, at a road camp near Cisco on June 24 last, was recently arrested at McKinney, Texas, and brought here by Deputy Sheriff C. S. Looney and placed in jail.

Wingo has signed a confession, according to Assistant County Attorney McCullough in which he admits shooting Jackson. He said he shot him twice and that the second time he shot him Jackson jumped straight up. Wingo is quoted as saying that he was in love with Jackson's wife before she and Jackson were married.

At the time of the killing Wingo calmly walked away from the camp and was only recently apprehended. When the officers who went after Wingo arrived he admitted his identity and accompanied him back without protest.

DID HE HAVE A HUNCH?

Mr. Henry Stroebel who lives out on Route 3, was in town Saturday, bringing in a bale of cotton, the property of his son. He did not sell Saturday, although the market was active. Probably he had a hunch of the coming rise which reached the 20 cent mark Wednesday.

CISCO DIRECTORY \$1.00 at the American Office.

Straw That Broke The Camel's Back

Was Last Freight Raise Given Railroads, Says Secretary Dorsey of Texas Grain Dealers in Plea for Lower Freight.

That large bodies move slowly is illustrated in the lethargy of the Interstate Commerce Commission in handling the freight and express rate situation. The country has been languishing under the burden of excessive transportation charges, and the movement of all farm produce has been retarded by the prohibitive rates that have been promulgated by the I. C. C.

Little by little the states have surrendered their rights by adopting federal amendments and federal regulation, until there remains little for state institutions to do. Once we had an effective working railroad commission, but this institution has been denied its functions and no longer can Texas regulate even the intrastate railroads, but must wait until the I. C. C. sees fit to take up the question and, if its imperial opinion warrants, to give the people some measure of relief.

Recent advances in freight rates have been more than 100 per cent. The last raise of 35 per cent seems to have been "the straw that broke the camel's back," according to the statement filed with the I. C. C. by Secretary Dorsey of the Texas Grain Dealers Association. This 35 per cent boost has stopped the movement of hay and grain, and practically all farm produce. Much food stuff has rotted in the fields, not that there were no buyers, but for the reason that the produce would not pay transportation charges. We think the secretary of the Texas Grain Dealers association is too modest. He is only asking a reduction of 25 per cent, when his demands should be for 75 per cent.

The American fails to see the wisdom of railroads placing prohibitive rates in force. It does not look like a wise business policy, when traffic will not bear the expense of shipment it will not be shipped, and the roads lose the freight.

The following dispatch from Washington shows that some measure of relief is being sought:

Washington, Sept. 8.—The statement of H. B. Dorsey of Fort Worth, secretary of the Texas Grain Dealers Association, was filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission on Tuesday as a part of the record in the grain and hay rate case concluded before the commission last week. Mr. Dorsey supported the general application of the Western railroads and utilities commission for a reduction of 25 per cent in the rate applying in the Western group. The statement discussed only rates in Texas, and those applying between Texas and the Southwestern markets, from representative shipping points, compared with the pre-war period.

Advance in Rates

The statement shows rates have advanced more than 100 per cent, while the average price of grain is lower, which makes it impossible, the statement shows, to move grain under the prevailing rates. The effect of the 35 per cent increase, made a year ago, Mr. Dorsey said, has been to restrict the operations of Texas shippers.

"The last advance of 35 per cent," says the statement, "seems to have been the straw that has broken the camel's back. The condition prevails as to shipments from and to all points. In fact, these rates have localized the movement of grain to a very large extent, really prevented free movement and reduced the revenues of the railroad companies to that extent.

Feeding Grain at Home.

Reference is made to the fact that Reference is made to a campaign to induce people in West Texas, where there are enormous grain crops, to feed the grain and drive cattle to market, since the producer is not able to get the grain to the market on account of high rates.

The statement sets out that rates from Texas to some Southwestern points are as high as 80c a hundred, while oats, for instance, are selling in Texas from 28c to 32c a hundred. Mr. Dorsey says that oats selling for as high as 90c and 95c could not move on a 80c rate.

If 35 per cent advance of a year ago is waived it would help some, but then the rates would be entirely too high, the statement concludes.

MEHODIST MEETING AT PARKS

Rev. C. E. Lambret was in Cisco Tuesday, and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Lambret is pastor of the Methodist congregation at Wayland, and stated that he is conducting a revival at Parks, which is well attended, and is being conducted in the Baptist church of that place.

FOR RENT Signs at American office

GRAPEVINE COMMUNITY NEWS

Grapevine, Sept. 7.—Health of this community is fairly good at the present.

Vester McGaha, Curt Noble and John Benton left last Wednesday for Texico and other points in the west, looking for new locations.

Mrs. Marion Kemp and little daughter, Marion Alene, are spending this week in Eastland, where Mrs. Kemp is attending the county teachers' institute.

Charlie Yarbrough and family left Monday for West Texas. We regret to give up this family, but wish their success in their new clime.

Most all the people of this community have been attending the revival at Corinth the past week.

Miss Bernice and Mr. Lowranza Moore of the Bedford community spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Fay and Mr. George Harrison.

Mrs. Johnnie King and children spent last week with Mr. Jim Thompson and family and attended the Corinth meeting.

Grandma Beavers who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Robinson, for the past month, returned to her home near Leeray Saturday.

Mrs. Curt Noble visited Mrs. Vester McGaha Thursday and Friday of last week.

Mrs. Arthur Brown and children of near Mangum visited their uncle, Charlie Yarbrough and family last week.

Will Robinson and family visited his father, John Robinson, last Monday.

Mr. Marion Kemp was an Eastland visitor last Saturday.

Mrs. G. P. May and daughter, Miss Bertie, of Eastland, are visiting their son and brother, Charlie May and family this week.

We are glad to report that Mr. Charlie May and Mr. Estes Yarbrough both of this community, professed religion and were saved last Sunday at the Corinth meeting. Mr. Estes joined the Corinth church and was baptized Sunday.

Mrs. Will Robinson and son, and daughter, Miss Beatrice and Mr. Jodie visited her sister, Mrs. Abe Sealey, of near Leeray Saturday night.

Mrs. Vester McGaha returned home last Wednesday after visiting relatives near Rising Star. Her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Richardson, also her niece, Miss Vera MeBeth, returned home with her.

Uncle Johnnie Pettit left Monday to visit relatives near Gunsight.

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EXCLUSIVE JEWELERS

Mrs. Jim Thompson and children and Mrs. John King and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson in the Corinth community last Friday.

John Nichols and Mr. Harrison were peddling in Eastland Saturday.

Mrs. Marion Seaborn has been suffering with a very severe case of blood poison in her hand the past week. We are glad to report that she is now improving fast.

There will be church services at Grapevine next Sunday (second Sunday) Everybody has an invitation to attend.—"JINKS"

Mr. Jim Collins of the Collins Saddlery company, accompanied by Mrs. Collins and the children, returned last Sunday from a two weeks' stay at Grandbury, where they were guests of relatives.

CISCO DIRECTORY \$1.00 at the American Office.

DOTHAN DOINGS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Dothan, Texas, Sept. 6.—Mrs. J. D. Yarbrough and daughter, Miss Ethelene, were shopping in Cisco Saturday.

A nice rain fell Monday night and all vegetation is looking fine. It was most welcome by every one, as it has been dry so long, but it came most too late for the June corn.

Mr. Luke Phippen and wife, Mr. Leonard Surles and sister, Clarice, were baptised last Sunday by Rev. Smallwood of the Missionary Baptist church of Putnam.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Huesties Sunday night.

Mr. Roy Huesties and wife of Breckenridge, and brother Smith Huesties were visitors at the home of their parents Saturday and Sunday.

WE WILL MOVE

About Sept. 1 to the Masonic Building
On Corner at Flagpole

Our business has grown until we must have more room—and when we get into our new quarters we will have plenty of room to give our customers the opportunity to do their shopping with more ease, as all our goods will be conveniently displayed to assist you in selecting, and to make shopping in our store a real pleasure to you.

We are now getting in all our Fall and Winter Goods, which you will find to be the largest and most complete line shown in Central West Texas.

We are amply prepared to take care of every member of the family on their Clothing, Dry Goods and Shoes.

WOOL GOODS AND SILKS—A beautiful line of these goods—all in colors.
COTTON GOODS—Outing, Gingham, Percale, Domestic—at the lowest price
BLANKETS AND COMFORTS—A large line for your choosing.

LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR—Never before have we shown such pretty garments—Dresses, Suits, Coats, Sweaters, Millinery.

UNDERWEAR—For Men, Women and Children at the Lowest Prices.

Ladies Shoes

See the New Shoes, Oxfords and Pumps Priced
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BILLIKEN SHOES FOR CHILDREN, THE BEST CHILD'S SHOE SOLD!
This is the Only Billiken Store in Cisco

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Men's Shoes for Work and Dress Wear \$2.25 to \$6.75
Men's Work Clothing—Lowest Prices
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"HE THAT GIVETH A DRINK OF COLD WATER IN MY NAME"

Often we read of deeds of real charity we are wont to look upon such as things remote. So also when the reverse comes to our attention, when some human fiend makes the world sour by making an exhibition of his real nature, manifesting the human evil, we fail to condemn such practices in our estimation because it does not happen before our eyes. Yet, sometimes there is brought to our attention—at close range the manifestation of these two opposite characters. It does not require a theologian to tell us the character that represents God or good. Nor would we appeal to the un-Godly to designate which of the two characters mentioned below is the disciple of evil, when compared as the story which follows.

A real human interest story is given by the Ranger Times, wherein one is mentioned who surely must have been a spawn of the devil, but we know there "was rejoicing in heaven" when the recording angel placed on the book of life the deed of her who is God's own child. One of the persons manifested that Christian charity which must indeed be pleasing in the sight of God when she ministered unto him who was "weary and heavily laden." Truly "the greatest of these is charity."

The story as related by the Times follows:
 An aged man, bent and grizzled, sat in a chair in front of a local hotel this morning. He was weary for want of sleep. This much could be divined, for the newspaper which he

sought to read slipped from his limy old fingers as he nodded.

A stately landlady, sheltered from the woes and wants of life, came to the door. She shot a malignant glance at the old man.

"The idea, sleeping on HER chair, in front of HER highly respectable hotel. Well, she wouldn't have anything like that!"

Stepping to the water cooler, she drew a glass of ice water, and opening the door, she dashed it in the old man's face.

Startled, the old fellow straightened up, and gathered the scattered pages of his morning paper.

As she noted with apparent satisfaction the effect of her assault the derelict once more sought to assume an attitude of studious perusal of the pages before him. It was no use. With no sleep the night before, his head nodded again and his gray beard sank to his breast.

Across the street another landlady, remembering her own aged parent, and with a wealth of the milk of human kindness in her bosom, dispatched her servant and the old man was piloted to the cool lobby of her hotel, where he was urged to make himself comfortable in any easy chair.

"Surely," mused the reporter, as he passed on, "respect for and tolerance of old age is one of the cardinal virtues."

AMERICAN PRESENTED WITH HANDSOME DESK

With the compliments of Cisco Carpenters' Local No. 1410, The American was presented with a handsome editorial desk last week. This piece of furniture was made by the local carpenters especially as an editor's work table. The wood is of Texas pine, carrying a beautiful and symmetrical grain and highly polished, and every bit of the work is by hand. The stain is walnut, and no handsomer piece of furniture, or a more convenient working table could be devised.

While the desk was presented in the name of the local union, the work was done by three of the members

of the Cisco Local; Messrs. W. B. Wroten, A. L. Munn and S. B. Muirheid. Mr. Muirheid did the staining from a process manufactured by himself, and which gives a perfect walnut coloring to any piece of wood to which it is applied. To say that the editor of The American appreciates this gift expresses our gratitude mildly, for we know of nothing that could have been given us that would have been preferred, as it is just our idea of a working desk, and its appropriateness could not have been better attested, for it is a work device, from working men to a working man. Perhaps some may be inclined to take the latter part of that statement lightly, but if they could drop in on the editor some time in the wee sma' hours of the morning, and see him pound the typewriter, they would realize that editing a newspaper is really work.

We thank you, gentlemen of the Cisco Local, and assure you that we are at your command.

BAILEY AND BOOZE

The American gives space to the following from the Dallas Times-Herald without comment:

When Senator Bailey ran for governor his political foes accused him of trying to bring back booze to Texas. Senator now publishes an illuminating periodical called the Democratic Review. We quote from his July issue:

"I could never agree with the anti-prohibitionists in thinking that prohibition invades the personal liberty of any citizen; because I do not think that any man has a right, either natural or political, to conduct a business which produces crime, disease, or pauperism, and I cannot, therefore, think that in denying the right to manufacture and sell liquor, I was depriving any man of his liberty. The most ardent in their love of their liberty should always understand the difference between liberty and license, and none will ever find it necessary to discredit the one in order to consistently oppose the other."

That doesn't sound like a man trying to bring booze back to Texas, does it?

SPOT COTTON REACHES 20c.

The sensation of the week in commercial circles was the soaring of cotton prices. The market rose \$10 per bale last Wednesday, and has hovered around the 20 cent mark ever since. In some places spot cotton brought as high as 22 cents. This boost in the market has stimulated trade wonderfully, and its influence is being felt all over the land. When those who hold the purse string of the nation begin to loosen up, it becomes contagious, and soon others are following. Man, at best, is not very dissimilar to some of the lower animals. He follows a leader. Once the bell weathers of finance take the plunge and begins to invest, others are not slow to follow his lead. When cotton was 10 cents it was a drug on the market. At 20 cents the supply can not fill the demand. The crop, which is the shortest in many years, will not suffice to keep the mills of the world running.

HOG AND POULTRY SHOW

Rising Star plans to pull off a hog and poultry show some time in November, the exact date yet to be set. The American likes to see this evidence of farm life again being manifested in Eastland county. Recently we have published stories of hog and poultry raising with the hope of reviving the interest in these lines of endeavor, other portions of the country having recapitulated to King Petroleum. Now that the King has been dethroned we can expect the country to again raise the slogan "back to the farm." When other communities manifest the proper interest in agriculture it will be easy for those in this section to become inoculated. Prosperity is catching, and once it becomes epidemic you can't head it off. Watch the Cisco Country grow.

YEA, BO!

Senator Culberson is going to be a candidate for re-election. The senator's health is reported much improved. News of this sort will be provocative of an epidemic of mortification among certain gentlemen who were desirous of stepping into a dead man's shoes.—Fort Stockton Pioneer.

Jackalls will bark when they believe the lion is toothless, but let the king of beasts show signs of life and they hunt tall timber.

ALL, SAVE IRELAND

A London dispatch says that England has made peace with all her enemies, except Turkey. Evidently somebody has overlooked Ireland.

W. L. Sanders made a business trip to Fort Worth and Mexia this week.

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made up of payments to bridge companies for steel and freight charges; when bridges are complete and accepted the contractor's estimates for bridges will be double this amount; no estimates on steel bridge work have been presented or allowed.

(3) This item of \$4,180.39 represents the balance due on garage sold by the county to the contractors and is deductible at the rate of \$750 per month from contractors' estimates.

(4) These items, totaling \$106,728.57, represent purchase of equipment by the county for the use of the contractors, in accordance with the contract, and is deductible in installments from the monthly estimates.

(5) These items, totaling \$63,274.76, represent the outlay on road machinery and motor trucks obtained from the state, belonging to the federal government. This equipment cannot be sold to the contractors until the state can give title, but in any event the contractors are to pay the cost to the county from their final estimates.

The items which need explanation are numbered at the left of the column, with corresponding numbers below, in the explanation.

The auditor found that the items appearing on the Fleming-Stitzer account are charged to the account because the contractors must eventually pay if the contract is carried out. But the items are not immediately payable as will be noted in the explanation, and the payment will be spread out over a number of months. On the other hand, the credit to Fleming & Stitzer of their last estimate, amounting to \$112,131.88, is payable by the county to the contractors, less a proportionate amount to cover bond discounts and equipment account, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Outstanding Bonds

With reference to outstanding bonds, on which remittance has not been received by the county, the auditor reports as follows:

"Of bonds on hand in the National City Bank of Chicago advise that they hold \$74,000 of bonds unsold. They further advise that they hold attached to a note of the Security State Bank and Trust Company of Eastland, Texas, bonds totaling \$50,000, the property of the Security State Bank and Trust Company, and by them pledged as collateral.

"On July 28th there appears in bank statement a credit to the account of the county treasurer of \$42,664.58, being reported as the sales price of the \$50,000 worth of bonds above mentioned, plus accrued interest purchased by the bank. Judge Starnes advises us that the county does not recognize the sale and that these bonds so far as they are concerned, are still owned by the county."

There will be another meeting of the committee at Eastland Tuesday, September 13, to receive the report of Engineer John Mead.

A complete copy of the auditor's report is on file in Cisco at the Chamber of Commerce, and any interested citizen is urged to call and examine it.

The committee are unanimously agreed on above.

F. E. HARRELL, Secretary

The committee consists of the following gentlemen: Major H. S. Cole, president, Ranger Chamber of Commerce and the Ranger Rotary Club; Frank E. Harrell, manager Rockwell Bros. Co., Cisco; J. E. Lewis, manager Oil Belt Power Co. and Oil Cities Electric Co., Eastland; J. M. Williamson, Mayor of Cisco; J. D. Boggs, farmer, Rising Star; C. G. Shultz, with Higginbotham Bros., Rising Star; Lee Spear, merchant, Carbon; J. W. Cockrill, editor Gorman, Progress, Gorman.

TO TAKE ACTION ON ACCEPTING SCRIPT

A joint meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants' Association was held in the chambers of the former organization yesterday afternoon for the purpose of coming to some understanding regarding the acceptance of county script by Cisco merchants. It is proposed to resume work on the county highways, and laborers will be paid in script issued by the county officials. It is stated that work on the roads leading into Rising Star, Gorman, Carbon and perhaps other places, is being performed on this basis. After discussing the matter it was decided to call a mass meeting at the City Hall of all merchants, bankers and professional men tonight at 7:30 to work out some plan whereby some action may be taken to have work resumed on the roads, and county script be accepted in lieu of the cash, by Cisco merchants.

The American has been informed that the banks of Cisco have not taken favorable action on handling the county's script, and it is not known just what will be done, but it seems

it will be rather a hardship on the merchants to carry the whole burden. Naturally everyone wants to see the road work resumed, but unless the banks will agree to partially take care of some of the load the plan may not be thought advisable. However, everyone is requested to be at the City Hall tonight, and help thresh out the matter.

STATE'S AD VALOREM TAX STAYS 22 CENTS

Austin, Sept. 7.—At a meeting of the State Automatic Tax Board held late Tuesday, the State ad valorem tax rate was fixed at 22 cents on the \$100 property valuation for the fiscal year commencing September 1. Consequently there is no increase in the tax rate for the current year.

This board is composed of the Governor, Comptroller and Secretary of State. The governor stated that it was figured there would be sufficient revenue to meet all appropriations by retaining the tax rate.

The school tax of 20 cents remains the same, as does also the text-book tax of 15 cents, but the Confederate pension tax is increased from 5 to 7 cents on the \$100 property valuation, making the total tax 64 cents, including the ad valorem.

An eleven pound boy made his appearance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramsey last Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Faith Thursday morning, a boy.

RISING STAR WILL HAVE PAVED STREETS

Rising Star, Sept. 2.—The Janes Contracting company of Dallas have unloaded in Rising Star a lot of equipment and will in the near future begin the work of street paving and putting water and sewer systems for which bonds were voted a few months ago. The Ranger Gas company, who was granted a franchise for a gas system in the city were also represented her this week by Manager J. B. Owen. Their plan is to lay the gas lines before the streets are paved.

MR. AND MRS. BLANKEN VISITING CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blanken left Saturday for Tustin, Calif., where they will spend several weeks. Mr. Blanken is interested in some property in that city, and is combining business and pleasure on this trip.

While absent the Blanken Auto Supply business at 900 Avenue D, will be in charge of Mr. F. W. Ströbel.

J. A. Smith left last night for a business trip to Brownwood.

DEATH OF MRS. POPLEN

Mrs. Poplen, wife of J. R. Poplen, died at the family residence, 907 Broadway early Wednesday morning. Deceased had been ill for some time. The remains were conveyed to Scranton for burial yesterday, Green & Gray having charge.

UNPRECEDENTED HAT SALE

Thursday, Sept 15
 Friday, Sept. 16
 Saturday, Sept. 17

I AM OFFERING ONE OF THE LARGEST STOCKS OF HIGH CLASS Ladies Hats at



While in the Millinery Markets recently I made a Wonderful Selection of the Best Grades of Millinery ever brought to Cisco, consisting of the very latest designs in fall and winter head gear, which cannot be surpassed. This large stock I am putting on sale at **ONE-THIRD LESS** than regular prices. My patrons realize that the prices at Mrs. Kennon's Exclusive Hat Shop have always been lower than the same class of merchandise can be bought elsewhere, and now I am giving them the benefit of a further reduction of 33 1-3 per cent. This stock is all in the original marks, in plain figures, and you can have any hat in stock at exactly one-third less than it is priced.

In this Unprecedented Sale you will find just the hat you want. My stock is large and complete, and includes hats made by the leading manufacturers and designers, and embrace the well known—

Gage, Lazarus & Paradise Hats

Recognized as the classiest creations of the Milliner's Art, and which were never before offered at prices they will sell for in this sale—**ONE-THIRD OFF.**

You cannot afford to wait longer to buy that fall hat, if you are economical. Come in and look over my stock.

MRS. IDA KENNON

Exclusive Hat Shop
 BALCONY WARD-GUDE STORE

The Magic That Makes Houses Homes

—ONCE THERE WAS A HOUSE THAT WAS ONLY A HOUSE. AND THE HOUSE BECAME A HOME.

—ONCE THERE WAS A BOY WHOSE PARENTS WERE ONLY PARENTS. AND THE PARENTS BECAME HIS PALS.

—AND IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE MAGIC IS THAT MAKES HOUSES HOMES AND PARENTS PALS, ASK THE MAN WHO SELLS EDISON MAZDA LAMPS IN YOUR TOWN. HE'LL TELL YOU THAT A CHEERFUL, WELL-LIGHTED LIVING ROOM CAN'T DO IT ALL; BUT IT CERTAINLY CAN HELP.

—GO OVER YOUR HOUSE CRITICALLY THIS MONTH AND ASK YOURSELF WHAT BETTER LIGHTING WOULD DO. AND THEN ASK YOUR DEALER NOT FOR "BULBS" OR FOR "LAMPS," ASK FOR EDISON MAZDA LAMPS. BY SO DOING YOU MAKE SURE OF THE BEST LAMP THAT SCIENCE HAS THUS FAR PRODUCED. AND WHEN MAZDA SERVICE, CENTERED IN THE RESEARCH LABORATORIES OF THE GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, DEVELOPES A BETTER LAMP, THAT, TOO, WILL BE AN EDISON MAZDA LAMP.

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BUILDING ACTIVITY SHOWS NO DECREASE

Putnam, Texas, Sept. 8.—Activity in building shows no decline here. Mr. Jenkins has just finished a nice residence in McCool addition, and commenced work on the second. Joe Newman has also commenced work on new home in the same addition. W. L. Boydston's new brick building will soon be ready for occupancy, probably by October 1st.

BREAKS LEG WHILE PLAYING

J. C., the twelve year old son of Mr and Mrs. D. A. Pelfrey of 1301 Avenue D, had the misfortune to break his leg while at play in the wareroom of the Cisco Grain & Elevator company Tuesday. Mr. Pelfrey is connected with the Cisco Grain & Elevator company, and his son and another boy were playing near the stacks of sacked feed which they dislodged, one of the sacks striking him and breaking his leg above the knee. The broken limb was put in place by Drs. Clark & Ball, who were called in, and the young man will soon be as good as new. However, he will not be ready for school next Monday.

"LABORERS IN THE VINEYARD"

Rev. S. A. Lamb, living out on Route 3, and well known to most of our readers, was in Cisco Monday with a load of apples from his orchard. Some of the apples brought to Cisco this year show blight, but those brought in by Mr. Lamb were sound and well matured. He stated that the crop had improved considerably since recent showers, but was not up to the standard yet. Mr. Lamb told The American that he had just returned from Desdemona where he conducted a most successful meeting, so this good brother is "laboring in the Lord's vineyard," as well as tending to his own, and he is said to be as good a preacher as he is a farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred M. Scott of Austin are the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Scott. Alfred is a Cisco product, and his many friends here will be glad to know that he is to be quiz master in the law department at the State University this term, provided certain legislation concerning this institution is not vetoed by the governor.

Mrs. McCracken of Romney was shopping in Cisco last Saturday.

BARNES COMPANY ADDS A NEW ESTABLISHMENT

The E. J. Barnes Company will move their present stock of high grade merchandise to the Masonic Building, formerly occupied by the American National Bank. This move will take place about the 15th of this month. In the new location this popular mercantile establishment will carry the present line as now being carried in the present location, and the store building at present occupied will be converted into a Baby's Store, where everything in infant's wear will be kept in stock.

This move is made necessary to accommodate their present growing business, which has increased beyond the space now occupied. Carpenters are fitting up the Masonic building in the most approved and modern style, and when occupied will be one of the handsomest stores in Cisco. There will be found a complete line of the most up-to-date dry goods, ready to wear and shoes, both for ladies and gentlemen. Their patrons are requested to bear in mind that they will find everything desired in their new location, and are requested to visit the new store, whether they are ready to buy or not, as they want you to see them in their new home.

FOR RENT Signs at American office

SITE SURVEYED FOR CISCO BRICK PLANT

Mr. Justice, who represents the company which will furnish the machinery which will be installed in the Cisco Clay & Coal Company's plant, which will be operated on the Kliner farm, was here a few days ago and had the site surveyed for the plant, County Surveyor Logan doing the job. Mr. Justice has returned to his home in the east, and it is understood will ship the machinery here at once. President Pash of the company, has informed interested parties here that he has sold to a Kansas City construction company all of the output of the Clay & Coal Company that will be for disposal, satisfactory arrangements had been consummated to place the machinery on the ground.

FOR RENT Signs at American office

CONNOR FURNISHED BREAD

In the mention of the Carpenters' picnic in another column, The American omitted to state that the bread for the occasion was donated by the Connor Bakery. There was plenty of it to feed a much larger crowd, and was of the best quality.

C. V. Rominger visited the oil field of Mexia this week.

FOR SALE Signs at American office

NOT A GOOD FEMINIST

From Montgomery, Ala., Advertiser. We fear Representative Alice Robertson, of Oklahoma, is a disappointment to the feminists. In the first place she was never a suffragist. In the second place, she cherishes no academic hostility toward men, but manifests an agreeable aspect for the sterner sex. In the third place, she made a scorching attack upon the Sheppard maternity bill which excited some debate in Congress. In the fourth place, she called upon President Harding the other day, and was quick to assure him that she had not called to ask that a woman be appointed a delegate to the disarmament conference. For one thing, she said, in order to qualify as a delegate to such conference, one would have to say little and listen much.

TRAIN SCHEDULE

TEXAS & PACIFIC		
(Eastbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 16	2:47 a. m.	2:47 a. m.
No. 2	11:00 a. m.	11:00 a. m.
No. 4	12:22 p. m.	12:22 p. m.
No. 12	Makes up	11:00 p. m.

(Westbound)		
Arrive	Depart	Stops
No. 11	5:00 a. m.	stops
No. 5	1:20 a. m.	1:25 a. m.
No. 23	2:10 p. m.	2:10 p. m.
No. 1	7:15 p. m.	7:15 p. m.

MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS		
(Northbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 35	3:00 p. m.	3:15 p. m.
No. 37	3:35 a. m.	3:40 a. m.

(Southbound)		
Arrive	Depart	Stops
No. 8	8:28 a. m.	8:38 a. m.
No. 36	11:58 p. m.	12:15 a. m.

CISCO & NORTHEASTERN		
Northbound—to Breckenridge		
Leave	Arrive	Stops
No. 12	5:15 a. m.	
No. 2	7:00 a. m.	
No. 4	3:20 p. m.	

Southbound—from Breckenridge		
Arrive	Depart	Stops
No. 1	10:30 a. m.	
No. 2	6:50 p. m.	
No. 11	10:45 p. m.	

SHALLOW PUTNAM SAND ATTRACTIVE

Four Hundred Feet of Oil in Homer Peoples Well—Another Ready to Bring in—People From Florida to New York Investing in Oil Lands.

Putnam, Texas, Sept. 8.—Messrs. J. C. Calhoun and R. J. Hancock, of Palatka, Florida, have recently closed a deal for 1,000 acres of land lying near Putnam for the purpose of drilling for oil. The contract calls for them to put down three wells, operations to commence in thirty days. In this block of land is 500 acres from John Isenhour out of sections 2273 and 2274; part of W. A. Ramsey's section 2282, and part of J. L. Kelly's section 2281. After closing this deal Messrs. Calhoun and Hancock left for their home in Florida, but are expected back soon to commence operations.

The best well so far brought in in the Putnam field is that brought in by Homer Peoples Wednesday at 470 feet. The hole is standing full of oil. It is an off-set to another well which he previously brought in and is the best well in this field, which is 13 feet in the sand. He has another well about ready to bring in, which will make four wells and two gassers to his credit. There were two gentlemen here yesterday from New York, negotiating with Mr. Peoples with a view to investing in this field.

Messrs. W. A. Smith of Houston, and A. F. Taylor spudded in yesterday an off-set of the Ungan & Simons well. There is every indication they will strike the pay.

Messrs. Grossmire & Little spudded in today on George Biggerstaff's tract west of Putnam, in the middle of section 18.

The Erie Oil Co. has spudded in on the Lawson section 137, three miles north of town. All these are considered good locations, and we are looking for quite a field here.

Many visitors are being attracted here by reason of the interest that is being manifested in this field, and as a consequence several new cafes have opened their doors for business. The latest to open eating houses are R. F. Threet, D. Pritchett and Mr. Ramsey.

As Putnam is now an oil town it naturally follows that supply houses should be attracted. We are informed that Mr. Bishop of Cisco, is opening a branch supply house here, and will handle a full line of casing.

Local Union Men Enjoy Labor Day

Workmen with Their Families and Friends Spend Most Pleasant Day—Speakers Addressed the Assemblage on the Principles of Unionism.

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, which this year was last Monday, September 5th, was celebrated by the union men of Cisco with a picnic and barbecue at Lake Strickland. For a time it was feared that the festivities would be spoiled by the rain, which threatened all the afternoon, but the showers proved local and slight, so rather than being a hindrance, made the day more pleasant by cooling the atmosphere. On account of the threatened rain the crowd was not as large as would have been otherwise, but there were gathered in the grove surrounding the lake two or three hundred union men, their wives and children and many others not members of any workmen's union, but friends of those who are organized for the betterment of their conditions in life, and to better qualify them for their calling.

The young members of the party enjoyed boating and swimming in the lake, while the men and ladies enjoyed the day as a pleasant outing with friends and neighbors, their minds free from the cares of workshop and household.

About an hour before the allotted time to feed the crowd, Mr. W. B. Wroten introduced Mr. W. R. Tomlinson, who in a few well chosen remarks, introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Judge Eugene Langford, Judge Lankford, while not a union man, and so stated, handled his subject well, and his remarks were listened to with the closest attention by every one present. When Judge Lankford had finished speaking the crowd was invited to the repast prepared by the ladies present, supplemented by barbecued meats, bread and pickles—yes, and coffee, Cisco Blend, a home product, roasted by the Cisco Coffee Company, and donated by them to the union men for this feast. A feast it was, for there was food in abundance, and the fragments would fill many baskets after all had feasted to their fill. After the feast several made short talks.

At a late hour the crowd dispersed, some to their homes, others went to the Labor Temple, where it was announced a dance would complete a perfect day.

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KILLS LARGE HORNED OWL

Mrs. J. E. Kinkaid, who lives one and one half miles from Cisco, shot a large horned owl last Tuesday. She herd the crows in the field, and taking her shot gun with her she dispatched one of the crows before seeing the owl. He was brought down with one shot. She had the bird mounted, which is a fine specimen, measuring four feet and eight inches from tip to tip.

DAN HORN SCHOOL ADDS THIRD ROOM TO BUILDING

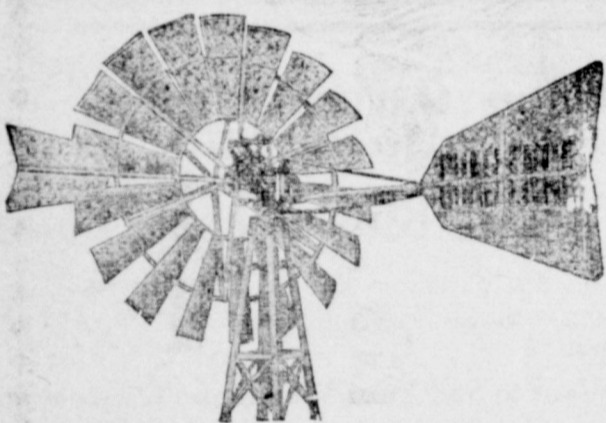
The patrons of Dan Horn school, in the Starr community, having voted the necessary tax, are adding the third room to the school building, and will employ the third teacher for the fall term.

Miss Pearl Shackelford left last Monday for Cisco to make her future home.—Carbon Messenger.

Mr. M. Polsky of the Model, was in Breckenridge Wednesday on business.

Don't throw away that old hat. We make them good as new.—Cisco Hat Works. 8-4t

Hon. J. Frank Dean, mayor of Gorman, was a Cisco visitor today.



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Cultivate Tomatoes in Eastland County

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hard for me to get figures on the cost of growing an acre of tomatoes because the growers did not charge the crop with their own labor and labor is the main item of cost. Mr. Skelton whose farm I visited, gave me these figures:

Eight Acres Grown	
Fertilizer	\$ 86.00
Hired Labor	100.00
Crates	223.30
Total cost	409.30
2030 crates at \$1.02	2072.50
net receipts less own labor	1864.30

You will notice that this man's average price was \$1.02 per crate while the average price of all tomatoes sold this season was about 85c. He said he left 100 crates to the acre in the field after rain damage rather than gather and sell at prices such tomatoes were bringing.

As I said before, exact figures on cost of growing tomatoes was hard to get, but the following figures will not be far from correct:

Preparation of land	\$ 4.00
Fertilizer	12.00
Plants	12.00
Setting Plants	12.00
Stakes and staking	7.00

Cultivation	5.00
Pruning	6.00
Picking	15.00
Crates	27.50
Total cost per acre	\$98.50
Using this year's average price, 85c and 250 crates average yield, we have:	
Gross returns per acre	\$212.50
Cost of production	98.50
Net returns per acre	\$114.00

Marketing.
Since we have been considering truck growing for this section, the marketing phase has been the cause of most of our misgivings, but the marketing situation as I found it in East Texas is very gratifying to me, as I see no reason why we should not apply the same principles here.

Two competitive marketing agencies with headquarters at Jacksonville control practically the entire tomato crop of East Texas. 35 to 40 buyers representing eastern and northern markets are at Jacksonville through the shipping season and buy directly from the sales agents and pay off at once if fruit is in good condition.

E. M. Shumaker is sales manager for the Jacksonville Tomato Growers' Association. He handles only "pink" tomatoes for which he gets 5 per cent commission.

Mr. Shumaker handled this season 480 cars or about 384,000 crates brought an average of 85 1/4c per crate, net, 320 cars shipped before crop was damaged by rains averaged \$1.20 per crate, net.

The East Texas Tomato Growers' Exchange was organized last year on the Sapiro plan. The exchange has at present about thirty local associations. Each grower joining a local association agrees to deliver to his association his entire crop of tomatoes for a period of five years. The Association in turn contracts with the Exchange to sell only through their agency. The Exchange guarantees to get the highest market price for growers' products at all times. This was the first season the Exchange did business it handled about 60 per cent of all tomatoes marketed from East Texas. The Exchange will handle any other crop of its associations but only ties the tomatoes to crop.

Following is the business done by the Exchange this season:

100,289 green wrapped six-basket crates at \$1.772. 53,848 green wrapped four-basket crates at \$0.702. 178,157 four-basket "baskets" at \$0.683. Total receipts \$277,984.35. All prices net to grower.

I realize that I have only touched upon different phases of the tomato growing industry in this brief report, but hope that it will give some information and suggest a host of questions which I will gladly answer to the best of my ability.

PUTTING IN CONCRETE FLOOR.
Mr. W. E. Starr, who owns the garage building opposite the Cisco Steam Laundry, on West 64th is having a concrete floor placed in the building, and fitting it up in splendid shape. Messrs. Short & Edwards, the accountants, will have a very convenient and commodious garage.

Hats cleaned, reblocked and made over at the Cisco Hat Works. 8-4

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No. 2—FOR SALE:—5 room house, with sleeping porch. Well finished inside. Lot 52 1/2 x 140. East Cisco. \$3400.00, half cash, balance easy terms.

No. 3—Modern bungalow, 4 rooms, bath and sleeping porch. Gas water heater. Lot 52x115. Nicely situated. West side of town. \$2500.00. Terms.

No. 4—Two residence lots in Cisco. Well situated. Sell separately. A bargain.

No. 5—Residence lots in Rising Star. Bargain price. Ask for description.

No. 6—FOR SALE—7 rooms and bath. Large lot. Well situated. \$6,500.00. Terms.

No. 7—FOR SALE—5 room new cottage, lot 50x125 feet. \$1,800.00. Terms. East Cisco.

No. 8—FOR SALE—3 room bungalow, large lot, 150x125 feet. \$900. Terms. East Cisco.

No. 9—FOR SALE:—A bargain. Close in. 8 rooms and bath. Arranged suitably for two apartments. East front. \$2,500, terms. West side.

No. 10—Farms and Unimproved Lands for sale or trade.

No. 11—Highly improved farm; 232 acres, modern five room house, good water, barn and outbuildings of all kinds, cow barns, hog sheds, chicken houses. 140 acres in cultivation, black sandy soil. All in one body, but cross fenced into several fields. Part fenced with hog wire. Well situated, near church, school trading point, etc. \$50.00 per acre liberal terms.

No. 12—FOR SALE or trade:—107 acres in Gregg Co., Texas. 15 miles from Longview, 3 miles from Gladewater. 5 room house; 40 acres in cultivation, all fenced hog proof. Well situated. 1 mile public school. On pipe road. \$45.00 per acre. What have you to trade? Terms on part if desired.

No. 13—Want to trade for small tract of good land near Cisco. Adjoining city limits if possible.

No. 14—160 acres smooth land in life Plains country. For sale at bargain, \$10.00 per acre or will trade, worth discussing.

No. 15—160 acres smooth land near Pears river for sale, \$10.00 per acre.

No. 16—50 acres, all in cultivation, fenced with hog wire, good well, orchard, grapes, berries, etc. Will sell right. Terms on part. On public road.

No. 17—320 acres smooth land in West Texas. Will sell at a bargain.

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(Eastbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 16	2:47 a. m.	2:47 a. m.
No. 2	11:00 a. m.	11:00 a. m.
No. 4	12:22 p. m.	12:22 p. m.
No. 12	Makes up	11:00 p. m.

(Westbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 11	5:00 a. m.	stops
No. 5	1:20 a. m.	1:25 a. m.
No. 23	2:10 p. m.	2:10 p. m.
No. 1	7:15 p. m.	7:15 p. m.

MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS

(Northbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 35	3:00 p. m.	3:15 p. m.
No. 37	3:35 a. m.	3:40 a. m.

(Southbound)	Arrive	Depart
No. 8	8:28 a. m.	8:38 a. m.
No. 36	11:58 p. m.	12:15 a. m.

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Northbound—to Breckenridge	Leave
No. 12	5:15 a. m.
No. 2	7:00 a. m.
No. 4	3:20 p. m.

Southbound—from Breckenridge	Arrive
No. 1	10:30 a. m.
No. 2	6:50 p. m.
No. 11	10:45 p. m.

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1 lb. Arbuckle Coffee	.27	Cream of Wheat	.26
6 Bars Swift's White Laundry Soap	.25	Grape Nuts	.18
6 Bars Armour's Woodchuck Soap	.25	Rolled Oats, small	.14
4 Bars Crystal White Soap	.25	Rolled Oats, large	.30
No. 2 1/2 Sweet Potatoes, per can	.18	Postum Cereal	.27
Red Salmon, tall, per can	.33	No. 2 1/2 Del Monte Peaches, per can	.37
Pink Salmon, 2 cans for	.25	Ginger Snaps, per barrel	.36
No. 2 1/2 Can Pumpkin, per can	.10	King Komus, pure Ribbon Cane, gallon	.96
8 Pound can White Cloud Compound	1.16	Brer' Rabbit, pure Ribbon Cane, gallon	.96
8 Pound can Peanut Oil	1.22	Brer' Rabbit, half gallon	.50
Armour's Milk, small can	.07	Koo Koo Syrup, gallon	.80
Carnation Milk, small can	.07 1/2	Koo Koo Syrup, half gallon	.42
Carnation Milk, tall can	.14	Blue Label Karo, gallon	.62
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EASTLAND COUNTY LEADS IN AUTOMOBILE BUYING

Registration of automobiles shows that Eastland county put more motor vehicles in operation than any other county in west Texas, if not in the entire state. Only figures of this section, together with the larger counties are available, but these may be taken as an indication of how the other counties will run. In 1920 Eastland county had only 3,811 motor vehicles registered; the number this year is 7,450. This shows an increase over last year of approximately 50 per cent, as the number added to the list over that of 1920 was 3,525. Many cars went out of commission last year, so the number now owned in Eastland county may be

reckoned considerably larger. In increased automobiles Eastland is far ahead. The increase in Dallas county over last year was only 806; Bexar, 890; Harris, 724; Tarrant, 952 decrease. This showing is for the first half of 1921. There were registered in the state during this period 412,332, against 130,320 for the entire year of 1920.

Additional communications from rural communities are coming in, and soon the columns of this paper will carry the news from every rural community.

Mrs. E. B. Noel returned Monday night from a pleasant visit to relatives at San Angelo.

FOR RENT Signs at American office

HARTMAN HOTEL WILL SOON BE REMODELED

The Johnston Construction company have the contract to remodel the Hartman hotel building. Mr. Johnston stated that work will begin this week. This contract, which calls for an expenditure of approximately \$6,000, calls for a modern business building, the lower floors will be converted into modern store rooms, with plate glass fronts, while the upper stories will be converted into a modern hotel with all conveniences.

THE GAGE PATTERN HATS have arrived at Mrs. Kennon's Exclusive Hat Shop.

FOR SALE Signs at American office

LOCAL HAPPENINGS OF LUTHERAN COMMUNITY

Lutheran Community, Sept. 8.—E. H. Wende and O. P. Weiser were transacting business in Cisco Saturday.

H. A. Stroebel left Monday last for Springfield, Ill., where he will attend college. His friends here, while regretting to part with him, predict that his future will be bright, as he is an ambitious young man, and will doubtless give a good account of himself in his school work.

Rev. George W. Beyer, pastor of the Lutheran church, has returned from his vacation spent at his old in Perry county, Mo. He also visited Fort Smith, Ark., where he formerly resided. His return is welcomed by every church attendant, especially, as services will be held regularly at the church.

H. W. Luker of Romney, was the guest of Henry Stroebel Saturday and Sunday.

This community loses another of its young men, who is off to school. Henry Stroebel Jr., left Sunday night for Seward, Neb., where he will attend college. Arthur and Miss Hilda Hohbertz of Abilene, and H. W. Schkade of Albany, accompanied him. These will also enter college in the Nebraska city.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Luker of Romney were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stroebel, Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blanken of the Blanken Auto Supply at Cisco, have gone to California for a few weeks' stay. During their absence Mr. F. W. Stroebel of this community will be in charge of the business at Cisco.

LICENSED TO WED

Eastland, Sept. 8.—The following have been granted license to wed by the county clerk during the past week

A. B. Dabney, Cisco, and Mrs. Laura Rutledge, McKinney.
Robt. Hageman, Cisco and Miss Dee Poff, Nimrod.
Lucius Williams and Jara Rh-ne, Cisco.

Roy Swearengen and Mrs. Vannie Britton, Ranger.

Hozle Kirk and Miss Edna Muncill, Gorman.

M. L. Perdue and Miss Minnie Russell, Cisco.

R. C. Brown and Miss Ethel King, Rising Star.

Roy Hazard and Miss Mamie Hughes, Eastland.

Clayborne S. Eldridge, Gorman, and Miss Evelyn Mae Beaty.

Madison Lloyd Dry, Eastland and Miss Nell Euliala Britain, Merkel.

Jim Jones and Miss Leona Ive, Desdemona.

H. T. Huffman, Ranger, and Miss Ruby Daugherty, Weatherford.

WHISKEY STILL FOUND AT HOME OF GORMANITE

Tuesday afternoon of last week, while in Gorman investigating other matters Sheriff Nolley and his deputy Mr. Williams, accompanied by Lee Robinson, the local member of the sheriff's department, and a "Steve" Woods went on a hunt for a still that was to be found some place east of Gorman. The first place they stopped was at the home of W. F. Waldrop about four miles out of town. They found four gallons of "moonshine" and a part of a still. They confiscated these articles and brought Mr. Waldrop back to town with them. The worm, which is the very important part of the still, was not found. The parties going out brought in four gallons of booze, and after it had been thoroughly admired by some of the thirsty ones, all of it but the necessary amount for evidence was poured out on the ground. Mr. Waldrop gave bond for his appearance before the district court.

His connection with this matter has been a great surprise to the people who have known him a long time.—Gorman Progress.

ELDRIDGE-BEATY

On last Sunday Mr. Clayborne Eldridge of Gorman and Miss Mae Beaty of this place were married. Mr. Eldridge, who is a successful teacher is a very steady and genteel young man.

Miss Mae, the daughter of W. M. Beaty, was reared in this community. She has been for several years, one of our most successful literary teachers. She is one of the most highly esteemed young ladies in the community and is loved by all who know her. The Messenger wishes these young people the greatest happiness through life.—Carbon Messenger.

J. Lee Cearley, J. J. Butts, Ben S. Baldwin and S. W. Pratt, atorneys of Cisco, were here Monday attending the opening session of the 88th district court.—Eastland Chronicle.

Little Miss Elinore Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Richardson, returned Wednesday from San Angelo, where she has been visiting little friends.

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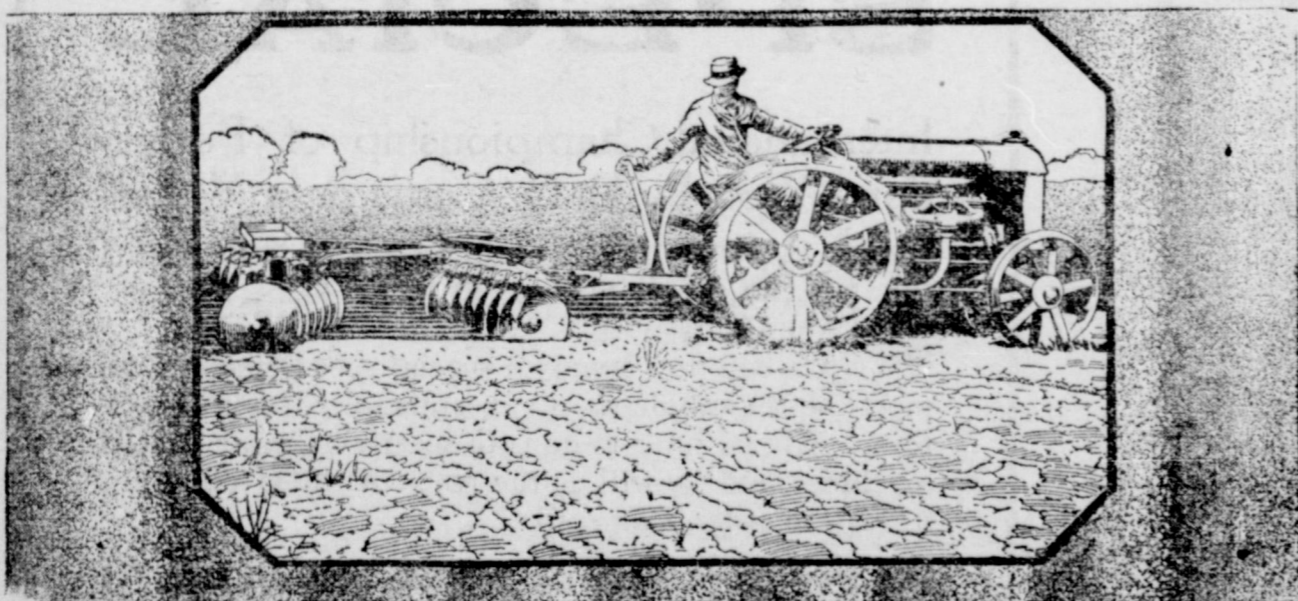
Monday, Sept. 19th

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The Blease Motor Company of Cisco, will entertain the farmers and those interested in agriculture with a free barbecue and Fordson Demonstration Monday, September 19th. This demonstration will be held in Mancill Addition, at the west end of Seventh street, where the big barbecue will be given to those coming in to witness the demonstration of one of the most useful farm implements ever made---

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Plenty of Money To Invest in Oil

President of Revere Oil Company Reports Large Volumes of Money in East Available, Only Waiting for Safe Investment.

Fort Worth Star Telegram.

The steady tone of the oil business in North Texas is the most impressive feature of the industry in this section, is the opinion of Warren H. Hollister of Granville, N. Y., president of the Revere Oil Company, and who has been here for two weeks inspecting the company properties in the North Texas territory.

Hollister, who is in close touch with the financial situation in the East reports large volumes of money available for use in oil business, waiting only the opportunity for a safe investment.

Speaking of the Revere Company's holdings in North Texas, Hollister said he was more than pleased with the company's properties, especially those in the North Stephens County fields. "The company has some of the best property in the Ivan district, in my opinion," said Hollister. "The

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It is often urged that glasses will make the wearer look old, but as a matter of fact, wearing glasses is one of the best preservers of a youthful appearance.

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Where We Worship

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First M. E. Church South
Corner Broadway and Avenue H, Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, pastor. Services Sunday: Sunday school 9:45 a. m., J. J. Godbey, Superintendent; Morning Service, 11 a. m.; Junior League, 3 p. m., Intermediate League 4 p. m.; Senior League, 7:15 p. m.; Evening Service, 8:15 p. m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 8 p. m. The public is cordially welcomed.

First Baptist Church
Corner Avenue E. and Ninth street, Rev. C. G. Howard, Pastor. Services next Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Service, 11 a. m.; B. Y. P. U., 7:30 p. m.; Evening Service, 8:30 p. m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 8 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

First Presbyterian Church
Corner Avenue G. and Broadway, Rev. J. D. Leslie, D. D., Pastor. Services next Sunday: Sunday School, 9:45 a. m., H. L. Winchell, superintendent; Morning Service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor Society meets at 7:15 p. m.; Evening Service 8:15 p. m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 8 p. m. A most cordial invitation is extended to the public. A warm welcome to all strangers and visitors.

First Christian Church
Corner Avenue F. and Broadway, Rev. E. H. Holmes, Minister. Services next Sunday: Bible School, 10 a. m.; Morning Service 11 a. m.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 p. m.; Intermediate Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m.; Senior Christian Endeavor, 7:15 p. m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 8 p. m. Strangers and visitors cordially welcomed.

Christian Science Society
Odd Fellows Hall, 709 1/2 Avenue D. Services next Sunday: Sunday school 10 a. m.; Morning service, 11 a. m. (no evening service). Wednesday Evening Service, 8 p. m. Subject day is "Substance." The public is invited to attend all these services.

Church of the Nazarene
Corner Avenue A. and East Broadway, Rev. E. H. Greer and wife, pastors. Services next Sunday: Sunday School 10 a. m.; Morning Service, 11 a. m.; Evening Service 8 p. m.; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8:15 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

East Cisco Baptist Church
Sunday School, 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. on second and fourth Sundays by the pastor, Rev. I. W. Lawrence. Preaching on third Sundays by D. B. DeGuire. Sunshine Society meets at 2:30 p. m. Junior B. Y. P. U. at 5 p. m. Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00 p. m. Church Conference last Wednesday night each month.

Epworth League Program

1. Song service.
2. Prayer.
3. Violin Solo—Mrs. E. G. Dean
4. Topic and Scripture Reading—Leader, Matt. 18:19-20; John 4:23-24.
5. Quartet. John 4:23-24.
6. Leaders Address: The Ideal meeting of our League and how to make it real.
7. Requirements for the ideal meeting.
 - (a) Meetings should be advertised—Owen Barker.
 - (b) Cooperation in meetings—Oscar Montgomery.
 - (c) Meetings must show real devotion—Miss Sammie Mae Trigg.
 - (d) Meetings should be full of interest—L. E. Hair.
 - (e) The ideal meeting is a soul winning meeting—Z. B. Edworthy.
 - (f) A blessing for some one in every meeting—Mrs. J. J. Godbey.
 - (g) The League meeting as a part of the Church program—F. A. Reed.
 - (h) A definite aim in every program—Miss Alma Copeland.
 - (i) A varied program necessary—Henry Price.
 - (j) The ideal meeting is spiritual—B. F. Gaither.
 - (k) Individuality of leadership—George Boyd.

Time: Sunday 7:00 p. m.

THE DAVIS OBELISK

On June the 3rd, 1922, the 114th anniversary of Jefferson Davis, the obelisk erected to the memory of the only president of the Confederate States, will be unveiled at the old Davis home at Fairview, Ky. This structure will be 170 feet in height, and at its base will be a compartment for the storing of relics.

Cisco Building Rock Gains Fame

Contractor Brewer Building Residence in Brownwood of Cisco Stone and has Three Other Contracts of Same Material.

Verily a "phphet is not without honor save in his own country." This wise maxim is more forcibly impressed day by day. Ciscoans have been shipping in building material for these many years, from other places, while there abounds in almost every direction from the city, vast quantities of the most beautiful building stone that one could desire, and it can be had for the price of quarrying. While we are shipping in building material, this stone is being quarried and shipped to other places for building purposes.

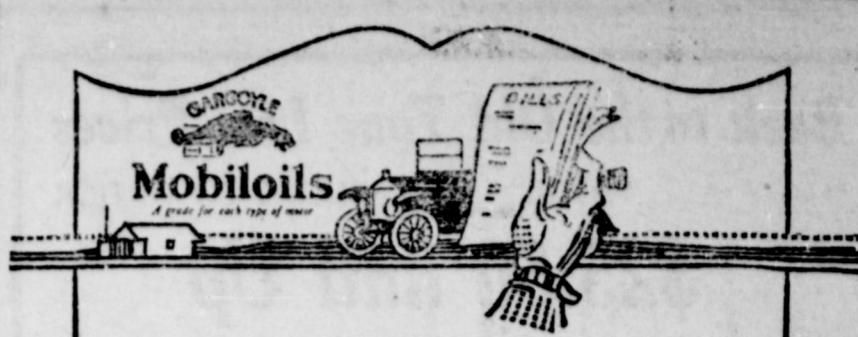
Messrs. H. O. Westerfeld, A. L. Mayhew and J. A. Smith motored to Brownwood last week, and the trio was invited by Mr. O. C. Walker, cashier of the Brownwood State Bank to go out and inspect his new residence, now in the course of construction. Mr. Walker is a former Ciscoan and his guests went out to the new building and there they found Mr. A. L. Brewer of Cisco, in charge of the masonry as contractor, and Mr. C. C. Jones, another Cisco man, doing the wood work.

It seems that Cisco is largely in the majority so far as this contract is concerned. The owner is a former Cisco man, having only recently left here for Brownwood, where he organized the Brownwood State Bank, and both of the contractors are residents of Cisco, while the stone of which the residence is built is Cisco Copper Rock.

Mr. Brewer was in Cisco Sunday and Monday, coming over to spend the week end with his family here, and while in the city was a caller at The American office. "The fame of Cisco Copper Rock is reaching far away from home," said Mr. Brewer. "Besides the Walker residence, I have contracts to build three other handsome residences of this building stone. Two of these are for homes in Brownwood, while the third will be built on the southern border of the state—at Victoria. This stone will be quarried and shipped over 400 miles to go into the Victoria home. I am expecting many other contracts to build homes of this rock.

"Cisco people certainly overlooked one of their best assets when they failed to see the natural beauty of this stone. It has a mossy copper exterior which runs in seams or veins, and is indestructible. While this copper effect is only on the surface, it is everlasting and will not fade, efface or deteriorate from weather, is admired by every one who sees it. It seems to be a native stone to the Cisco country, as I have found it no where else. Here it can be had in unlimited quantities. Few really know of its wonderful possibilities as a building material. It is much cheaper than brick, and will last forever.

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house. I built this piece of masonry, and as soon as Mr. Walker saw it he closed a contract with me to build him a home in Brownwood of this rock. Those contemplating building homes in Cisco should take a look at the fire place at the country club before placing their order for either lumber or brick. They cannot help but admire this stone. It must be seen to be fully appreciated.

"Cisco really has a great asset in this rock, for sooner or later it will be recognized all over the state. When a man will pay the present excessive freight rates from here to Victoria, over 400 miles, you can understand something about the attractiveness of the Cisco Copper Rock for building purposes. Yes, it is a big asset for Cisco."

J. T. Galbreath and J. W. Key are in Mexia this week, and will likely return home tonight.

CISCO DIRECTORY \$1.00 at all News Stands.

Rev. George J. Beyer, pastor of the Lutheran church in the Lutheran community, has returned from his vacation spent in Fort Smith and other cities. Mr. Beyer seems to have enjoyed his vacation immensely, as he is the picture of health, and bubbling with mirth. Besides being pastor, he is also teacher of the German school in the Lutheran community. Mr. Beyer was a pleasant caller at The American office Wednesday, and ordered the home weekly sent to his address.

MISSION WILL HAVE DANCE

Putnam, Texas, Sept. 8.—Mrs. Mary Guyton, proprietor of the Mission Hotel, contemplates having a dance twice a week at that popular hotel. Negotiations are now under way with the Cisco band to furnish the music for these social affairs.

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