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## Loboes Are Reinstated by Court Action

Predicating his decision on the well established rule of law that there can be but one final judgment in any legal decision, Judge George L. Davenport, last Monday, rendered a decision from the bench of the 91st district court reinstating the Cisco Loboes in the Oil Belt gridiron league from which they had been suspended by the district and state committees. In other words Judge Davenport simply applied the rule of former jeopardy in his decision.

While upholding the authority of the district committee to inquire into and inflict such penalties as it may see fit for any infractions of the rules of the football league, by declaring any player ineligible and the forfeiting of the game in which such ineligible player may have participated, and that the committee was clearly within its rights when it recommended that the school in which such alleged ineligible player was a student that such school be suspended for any period it might think adequate under the rules of the athletic league, which specify from one to three years. But, the decision says, the committee certainly has no right to render one final decision adjudging the player ineligible and then, at a later date, render another final decision suspending the school in which such ineligible player was a student. Had the committee adjourned these hearings from one time to another for the purpose of obtaining desired evidence their authority would have been unquestioned.

### Without Jurisdiction

The decision held that the state board was acting without jurisdiction or authority in the series of hearings it conducted, hence, the order of the state board to suspend Cisco was of no legal force or effect.

Reports from Austin are to the effect that the state board will appeal the case to the higher courts, but the Citizen believes the board will get nowhere, as it is a well established rule that no man can be placed in jeopardy of his life or property but once for the same offense or cause of action.

The records in this case are that Fred Hightower was first declared eligible, which was final decision No. 1; then the case was reopened and Hightower declared ineligible and the game with Breckenridge forfeited, final decision No. 2; later the matter was again considered (with Cisco absent and not put on notice) when final decision No. 3 was rendered, suspending the Cisco school for one year.

The damage asked by the Cisco school board Judge Davenport ruled out of court.

The action of Judge Davenport in rendering a decision from the bench followed a mistrial when the jury failed to agree to a verdict when the case was tried before a jury a week previous.

### All Acted in Good Faith

The whole proceedings are regrettable, and should have been decided in athletic councils, rather than in a court of justice. But the decision of Judge Davenport is one in which all parties have been justified in their actions, except in the procedure adopted.

But it brings to the front one question—football must be played according to the rules, and the practice followed by practically every school of violating the rules must cease, or football, like horse racing, will be outlawed. Questionable tactics killed the grandest sport that was ever initiated, and questionable tactics will kill football if not stopped.

## G. L. Huesties Buried Saturday, Following A Paralytic Stroke

A throng of friends of many years standing paid their last tribute to one of Cisco's earliest citizens and pioneers when they attended the last rites for the late George L. Huesties last Saturday morning, the funeral hour being 11 o'clock.

The services were held in the First Methodist church, being conducted by the pastor, Rev. O. O. Odom, who was assisted by Rev. E. L. Miley, pastor of the First Christian church. Interment was in Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Huesties passed away Friday shortly after the hour of 12, noon, from the effects of a paralytic stroke suffered Tuesday, September 12, while returning from Nimrod, whither he had gone with his son-in-law, A. V. Osborn, of Moran, to look at some cattle Osborn wished to purchase. Soon after being stricken Mr. Huesties became unconscious, and he was rushed to the Graham sanitarium for treatment, but never regained consciousness, and passed away Friday noon.

The news of his illness caused a general alarm to practically the entire citizenship of Cisco and surrounding country, and anxious inquiries came from every source during his illness, as few men in or near Cisco was so widely known or more universally esteemed. He has been a prominent citizen of this section where he has lived for the past 60 years, and was considered one of the best citizens in the Cisco country. Always ready to help a friend, or to go security for those he deemed worthy, and many say that the obligations he had made good would total a considerable amount.

He was born on Prince Edwards Island, off the coast of Canada, on March 12, 1854, and came to the United States with his parents when a child. After coming to Texas he resided in Stephenville before coming to Eastland county, and there he was married to the woman, who as his widow, and twelve children, survive him. All of his children, now grown, are Walter Huesties, J. B. Huesties, of California; Mrs. Pearl Clark, Cisco; S. J. Huesties, Snyder; Ed Huesties, Paul Huesties, Smith Huesties and Ted Huesties, Cisco; Roy Huesties, Vernon; Mrs. A. V. Hutton, Lorena, Texas. Other survivors are a sister, Mrs. Frances Johnson, living in Whittier, Calif.; Bill Huesties, a brother, of Fort Scott, Kans., and two half brothers living in New Mexico.

The last years of his life were spent in Cisco after he purchased a home and moved his family into this city.

### JUDGE CEARLEY VISITED HIS PARENTS AT HASKELL

Judge J. Lee Cearley motored to Haskell last Monday, returning the same day, and reported a very pleasant trip and delightful visit with his parents, who are now in the sear and yellow leaf of life. Judge Cearley said his father was now 80, and his mother 78 years of age, but both in perfect health, and have reared nine children who are all grown.

Judge Cearley has been in bad health for several months, but is slowly regaining his health and strength, and feels that he is again approaching normalcy.

### UNIVERSITY HONORS WON BY CHAS. LANKFORD, CISCO

Chas. Lankford, oldest son of Judge and Mrs. Eugene Lankford, of Cisco, is the recipient of University honors which were conferred upon him when he was recently made an assistant instructor of bacteriology. This information was contained in a letter to his parents Tuesday. This honor is more appreciated when it is understood that it is rather unusual for a junior to win such distinction. This is his third year at the University, and he has won distinction in all of his grades at the University since his entrance.

## City Commissioners Make Initial Move to Settle Indebtedness

The Cisco city commission last Friday night took the initial step toward bringing the muddled bond issue to some kind of settlement when the body passed a resolution, subject to approval of the voters of Cisco, looking to the restoration of utility rates of water, sewer and garbage service to that level charged in other towns similarly situated.

The pledging of the city commission to the terms of the resolution was deemed as the first step necessary to arriving at a basis of settlement, and if satisfactory terms and principal can be agreed upon the people will be called upon to ratify the proposition, which, if not approved, will throw the matter right back where it now stands.

By invitation of the commission representatives of the Dunne, Davidson, Ranson company have been in Cisco for the past two weeks making a survey of the situation, and the resolutions are based on certain recommendations submitted by R. G. Waggener, of a consulting engineering firm of Dallas, and embraced most of the engineer's recommendations, with the exception of the employment of a city manager to take charge of the city to administer its affairs in an economical manner.

### Why Not a City Manager?

While the resolution fails to commit the commission to the employment of a city manager, yet the body has the power to designate

some technical man to have charge of all departments of the city, and this should be one of the first moves looking to an economical administration of the city. A competent man can be secured at a salary not to exceed \$200 per month, who can perform the work now being done by the street commissioner, the water commissioner and sanitary commissioner. This would be a saving of \$250 per month. A further saving could be made by reducing the salary of the mayor at least \$100, which would mean a total saving of \$350 per month, or \$4,200 per annum. As retrenchment is deemed essential, as well as increased fixed charges for utilities, there is no reason why this plan should not be put in effect. With one man in charge of all city departments the mayor would have little work to do, and his salary could be reduced without detriment to the city. All the duties the mayor would be called upon to perform would be to preside at the commission meetings and act as city recorder of the corporation court. For this service \$50 per month would be a reasonable salary. Mayors of some other towns serve without pay, where a city manager is employed. In Eastland city commissioners receive no salary.

Dunne and associates have a copy of the commission's resolution, and will attempt to work out a propo-

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## Last of Original Directors of Fort Worth and Denver

Max Elser is leaving this week for Fort Worth to spend two weeks in that city visiting his daughter. While there he will probably join the Fort Worth excursion that will go to Wichita Falls to attend the 50th anniversary of the founding of that city. He feels that he is more intimately connected with the founding of Wichita Falls, possibly than any other living man, for it was the coming of the Fort Worth and Denver railroad that made the founding of Wichita Falls possible, and it was Max Elser, who was associated with Gen. G. M. Dodge and other enterprising Fort Worth men, who made it possible for the Fort Worth and Denver to be built into Wichita Falls.

Mr. Elser told the Cisco Citizen that, so far as he is informed, he is the last living man who formed the original directorate of the Denver road when it was being built from Fort Worth to the city where the bi-centennial will be held Sept. 26, 27 and 28.

The original directorate which assisted General Dodge to finance the Denver road from Fort Worth to Wichita Falls, Mr. Elser said, included, besides General Dodge and himself, K. M. Van Zandt, J. J. Jarvis, Joe Brown, B. C. Evans, Sidney Martin, T. J. Hurley, and others whom he could not recall at this time.

Mr. Elser was a director of the Denver for several years, and was honored by having one of the stations, near Henrietta, named for him, which still bears his name, though it never attained any appreciable importance as a town.

General Dodge was recognized as one of the most famous railroad builders of his time, having built the Texas & Pacific, the Union Pacific and the Denver roads, Elser said.

When Mr. Elser reaches Wichita Falls he will probably be one of the honor guests at the bi-centennial celebration.

Miss Helen Clark has resumed her studies at T. C. U. in Fort Worth this week.

## Hunter and Lotief Get a Big Hand at Democratic Meet

Judge J. D. Barker and Dr. R. C. Bowen were among those attended the convention at Lubbock that ratified the nomination of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson. Speaking of those leading citizens who addressed the convention they said none were given more enthusiastic reception than that which was given Tom F. Hunter, the runner-up candidate. Though eliminated Hunter, today, is probably the most popular public man in Texas, as demonstrated by the ovation given him at Lubbock, said Judge Barker. "It was indeed gratifying to know that I lived in a county whose people gave Hunter a majority in the July primaries, when I saw the manifest esteem in which he was held by this convention of representatives citizens from all parts of the state. It demonstrated to me that he is a man in whom the entire people have implicit confidence because he advocates those principles of government that will bring relief to an oppressed people.

"Service is his aim, and that to those who really need his help, and not to the special interests who have ample funds to debase our legislative representatives.

"Next to Hunter our floral representative-elect, Cecil A. Lotief, shared in the demonstration of enthusiasm unleashed when Lotief made one of his characteristic talks before the delegates.

"Lotief is sincere in his support of those measures to bring relief to the masses, and I am convinced that he will be untiring in his efforts to enact such laws that will benefit those most needing a representative in the legislature."

### 30 PER CENT INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT AT RANDOLPH

The enrollment at Randolph College is about 30 per cent more than that of last year. President Clark predicts that at least 15 more will enter the college, but are a little undecided as yet, but expects over a hundred in attendance soon. The school has an excellent faculty this year, and a profitable year is expected.

## Lieutenant Kilborn Has Narrow Escape When Plane Crash

Lieut. J. Chesley Kilborn had a narrow escape from drowning when his plane crashed into a heavy sea last Monday, according to a United Press dispatch from Honolulu. This dispatch was the first information of the accident received here by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kilborn, parents of Lieutenant Kilborn, the pilot of the crashed plane. However, a cablegram reached Mr. and Mrs. Kilborn from Chesley soon after the United Press dispatch reached the Cisco Daily News here. Chesley's dispatch only stated that his plane had crashed into the sea and that he had escaped unhurt. Chesley cabled the same message to his brother, W. S. Kilborn at Dallas, who in turn phoned his parents here.

The Honolulu dispatch stated that "Corporal John Hart was drowned and Private Robert Long was missing. Hart was pulled under the water by the weight of his parachute. Lieut. Kilborn, pilot, and Serg't. S. P. Railes were saved by taking to a rudder raft and were rescued."

Lieut. Chesley Kilborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kilborn, was reared in Cisco, attended the public schools here, was graduated from the Cisco high school in 1924, spent one year in the Southern Methodist University at Dallas, and one year later was admitted to West Point Military academy in 1927, graduated with the class of 1930, assigned to the aviation wing of the army at Brooks field, and finishing his flying training at Kelly Field, San Antonio, and received his pilot's license last October. He was then transferred to California, and after a brief furlough at home, was transferred to Honolulu, leaving Cisco for his new base of operations last February.

Chesley has been flying since leaving West Point, but this is the first accident that has marred his career in the air.

### CISCO'S RODEO GOES OVER IN FINE SHAPE

Cisco's first free rodeo, complimentary to its country friends and customers, proved, as promised by the smoker committee, to be an attractive card in drawing people to Cisco, as the streets were thronged with visitors, and applicants for admission tickets were numerous. There was an estimated crowd of about 2,000 present to see the rodeo thrills, and merchants generally reported a good day's trade. The rodeo pulled off some good stunts, and the crowd got the thrills they expected. The committee, headed by P. L. Ullom and B. A. Butler, seems to have delivered the goods and supplied a splendid attraction.

### KATY ANNOUNCES LOW RATES FOR PICKERS

AUSTIN, Sept. 20.—The Texas Railroad Commission today authorized the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway Company to reduce temporarily its passenger rates from 3.6c to 1.3c per mile on its Texas Central division.

Waco to Rotan and intermediate points and De Leon to Cross Plains and intermediate points are affected by the new rates.

The rate was ordered as an emergency to facilitate the movement of cotton pickers to West Texas. It will expire on Nov. 30.

### TAXPAYER ASSOCIATION MEETS AT EASTLAND SAT.

The Eastland County Taxpayers association will convene at Eastland Saturday, Sept. 24, in the county court room at 2 o'clock, p. m. This will be an important meeting, and every taxpayer in the county should be present. Ladies are cordially invited to attend and participate in the meeting.

D. J. NEIL,  
President

J. M. PARKER,  
Secretary.

## Bond Law to Benefit Citizens Here

The new road bond law, which was enacted at the present called session of the Texas legislature, will be of maternal benefit to the tax payers of Eastland county, as it will save each tax payer 86c on the \$100 property valuation.

By reason of the passage of the road bond act, which will relieve the counties of the bonded cost of state designated highways, the total county tax of Eastland county was fixed at \$1 on the \$100 property valuation by the county commissioners last Saturday. It is estimated that about two-thirds of Eastland county's outstanding road bonds of something over three million dollars would be absorbed by the state and be paid out of the gasoline tax. The exact amount is yet to be determined by the state committee, composed of the state treasurer, state highway engineer and comptroller, which will designate what bonds will be included in the list to be assumed under the relief act. County Auditor W. S. Michael has the county report of road bond indebtedness now in preparation which will be transmitted to the state committee in a few days, it is said.

The court Saturday reduced the road bond levy from \$1 to 45c on the \$100 property valuation, making the county tax \$1, which was \$1.86 for 1931, and which had been tentatively placed at \$1.55 before the road bond relief bill became a law. The state tax is 69 cents, which means that the total tax to be collected for 1932 taxes will be \$1.69 on the \$100 property valuation.

In addition to this reduction the valuations are expected to shrink from \$33,000,000, as of 1931, to \$25,000,000 or \$28,000,000 this year. It is estimated these reductions will save the tax payers of Eastland county approximately \$175,000 to \$180,000.

To get this relief required a called session of the legislature to reinact a bill practically the same as the Brooks bill, which Governor Sterling had previously vetoed. Had the Brooks bill been allowed to become a law the expense of the extra session would have been saved, and the commissioners courts of the state would have been saved much work, and the people many sleepless nights in trying to work out their problems of paying their taxes.

### EAST CISCO BAPTIST YOUNG MATRONS MEET

The young matrons of the East Cisco Baptist Church met on Wednesday of last week, at the home of Mrs. Jeff Coats, in a business session and Sunday School social gathering. One new officer was elected. After the disposition of the business various games were played, which proved interesting for all present.

Refreshments of lemonade, cake and sandwiches were served to Mesdames Dale Gilmore, Bud Dawson, O. C. Courtney, A. W. White, Don Rupe, Vedeia Johnson, Flynn Reims, J. O. Johnson, H. W. Stevenson, W. W. Sledge and James L. Smart, teacher.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Dale Gilmore

Carrying with her that radiance of health and vitality that reflected the sunshine of gladness on those with whom she came in contact, the Citizen sanctorium was illuminated by a short visit from Mrs. M. D. Heist Monday, but the perfume of her presence lingered even after her departure, and made the droll surroundings of this print shop brighter by her coming.

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**BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head.—Mark 14:3.

I went and bought me costly spice  
And bore it in a jar;  
I felt the daughter of a king,  
Who was so poor before;  
Marion S. Campbell, in C. S. Sentinel.

Nothing we have done or been need keep us from seeing ourselves in this light. For nothing we have been, no failure or betrayal of the best, can disinherit us of the grace of God. The best of us must begin in the valley of humiliation. It is the place of renewal. Some of the greatest souls of history have been born there. For God is not hindered by our pride of self-satisfaction—Rev. James Reid, in British Weekly, London.

**LACK OF LOYALTY KILLING CISCO**

The Patterson, N. J., city council has an ordinance against bread being brought into that city from other communities. The ordinance provides a tax of \$100 for each wagon, and the Bakers Journal says the law is working well and is protecting the local bakeries.

Cisco commission now has an ordinance in the making which would tax wholesale fruit and vegetable dealers who are bootlegging vegetables into Cisco. It should be adopted, but why not include bread also? The ordinance, if adopted, will protect local wholesale firms, and a tax on imported bread will protect local bakeries.

This relief measure should not be necessary, as community loyalty to home industries should be strong enough to discourage the importation of bread or other commodities into Cisco. However, it seems that some of our citizens and business men are bankrupt on loyalty to home industries, yet we are talking loud around the banquet board about "selling Cisco to our natural trade territory," and crying about our trade going to other towns.

We are told that Ranger, Putnam, Rising Star, Gorman and other towns, not as large as Cisco, are drawing trade that rightfully belongs to Cisco. This condition does not just happen. There's a reason, and that reason is Cisco business men are not loyal to our trade territory. Ranger and Putnam have flour mills, where farmers may carry home all their milling—flour, shorts and bran—and as they have to go to mill they take their cotton, potatoes, or other products, as they find just as good marketing facilities.

In Ranger, Rising Star and Gorman there are cotton, peanut, and other buyers—some competition. Have we those marketing facilities in Cisco? It was said at the banquet we do not have. Why, we were told that little Carbon—a mere village—is a marketing competitor to Cisco.

The Citizen has been informed that the Bankhead Feed Mill might install a flour mill if properly encouraged. We do not know that they would, but it is worth investigating. But we could hardly expect those people to install a flour mill when they see our merchants starving our other local industries to death by refusing to patronize them. Its our own disloyalty that is killing Cisco, and until we sell the Cisco trade territory to Cisco we can hardly expect to sell Cisco to the Cisco trade territory.

There are in Cisco several embryo industrial enterprises—not pretentious—but if they commanded the patronage of our people we would be surprised at the rapidity of their growth. They would thrive with mushroom rapidity and would prove real assets to the town if only our local merchants would encourage them with their patronage and adopt a system of education to induce their customers to use the home product, rather than that which is manufactured in another city.

The Citizen has had considerable to say in favor of the home bakeries for the reason that we positively know there is no excuse for our merchants to handle Fort Worth bread, and we believe little trouble would be encountered in educating those few customers who call for Fort Worth bread to eat Cisco bread if the home product was only suggested by our dealers. The Citizen has been informed that dealers will suggest Fort Worth bread to their customers, when asked what kind of bread they carry. Why not suggest Cisco bread? Few consumers have any preference, as there is little or no difference, and if any is in favor of local baking. So, instead of suggesting the foreign bread why not help Cisco by suggesting Cisco bread? Local bakeries can supply the demand, and if all bread sold in Cisco was baked in Cisco, our bakeries would be in a prosperous condition.

Besides our bakeries we have several other miniature

industries—a mattress factory, a creamery making a perfect butter, a refinery selling a good or better gasoline and oils than can be had. Besides these there are two laundries, the Little Star and the Cisco Steam Laundry, both doing work that is as good as the best laundries in Texas, yet we hear of some people sending their clothes to other cities. Other industries are a feed mill and machine shops and other small plants, which, if given the patronage of all home people would add to our industrial assets.

Many of us can remember we once had a cotton compress, flour mills, broom factory and possibly others—all gone now—died from want of local loyalty and home nourishment.

With the passing of these home industries, and the lack of loyalty to sustain those we have, went the markets for produce in the Cisco trade territory, and the local trade that was ours in former years.

We are prone to believe those institutions operated and owned by other towns and other people are best. This lack of loyalty is not confined to the consumers, as the dealers can also be placed in this class. We curse the monopolies but give them our patronage.

We might as well look the matter square in the face and resolve that we must encourage what industries we have before we can hope to attract others. If we will do this, and the infant industries begin to thrive, capital seeking investment will conclude that Cisco is a good town and look upon this city as a favorable location to invest their money, but not when they see our own industries, though insignificant, dying for want of patronage.

**Abilene Prepares to Contest Raise in Local Gas Rates**

Pending final disposition of Loy bill, which provides for the regulation of gas rates, Abilene is marking time before employing an engineer to appraise the properties of the Community Natural (hijackers) Gas company in that city, according to the Abilene News. "If the legislature fails to enact the bill the Abilene city commission will then proceed to name an engineer to make the appraisal for use in opposing the Natural hijackers' sliding scale of rates," according to the Abilene paper.

The Loy bill, which is designated as Senate Bill No. 41, may afford some relief, but it seems to those peoples who will be the victims of the rapacity of the legal banditry of the Natural hijackers that the proposed legislation is too tame. However, the probability is the bill won't pass until the regular session in January, if at all, and then it is believed the new senators and representatives who will have been elected by the people will predominate those public service corporation "retainers," and some measure will be enacted that will afford some relief from the rapacity of the legal bandits who have been exploiting the people since the "10 percent" guarantee was slipped in as a joker.

However, Senate Bill No. 41 will be better than no relief, as it will at least allow the rates established by municipalities to prevail until abrogated by the railroad commission.

Senate Bill No. 41 would amend existing statutes so as to more clearly define gas utility and to prohibit the raising of gas rates in unincorporated towns and in incorporated towns of less than 500 population, and in rural communities, without notice of hearing; and would "authorize the railroad commission of Texas to make appraisals and audits in incorporated towns and cities of between 500 and 30,000 population," and would provide necessary funds for carrying out the work.

The bill would compel gas com-

panies to make application for change in rates, and the municipal government must decide the question within 90 days. If the decision is against the raise, the company would have the right of appeal to the railroad commission, which must make a decision in 90 days. Pending such appeals, the rates set by the municipal government must remain in force until ordered changed by the railroad commission.

**M. O. HOOD RISING STAR AGRICULTURAL TEACHER**

The Rising Star Record, last week said: "At a meeting of the school board Wednesday morning Mr. M. O. Hood, former teacher of vocational agricultural in the high school at Rule, was employed to take the place recently vacated by the resignation of F. A. Lloyd. Mr. Hood, who has been staying at Stephenville, was to arrive last night and will be on the job today and have charge of the preparation and placing of the exhibits for the Free Fall Fair and will give his full time Friday and Saturday to the fair."

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Five committeemen were chosen from each of the 18 districts of Texas. Those from the 17th district being R. W. Haynie, Abilene, chairman; Will St. John, Cisco; Milburn McCarty, Eastland; Mrs. John Perry, Sweetwater; Miss Carrie Reaves, Brownwood.

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# City Commissioners Make Initial Move to Settle Indebtedness

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sition to submit to Cisco to settle the bonded debts. But until some definite proposition is presented to the people no one can foretell just what the attitude of the voters will be.

However, if the plans include those set out in the resolution, and the utility rates are increased, it will mean the continuation of such rates for the succeeding 40 years, or, as the promoters tell us, till the bonds are paid. This, however, is a distinction without a difference. If the bonds are paid within 40 years Cisco and the bondholders will be lucky.

But these are details that need not be considered now, and can be worked out after we have received the proposition, and after the voters have approved the plans. No distinction is made in the valid and invalid bonds.

Naturally every patriotic Cisco citizen hopes that some plan can be worked out, but whether this is the plan that can be met by the city, remains to be seen. With the bonds settled, even at some remote date, Cisco then can commence to function as a city, a situation most devoutly hoped for, but impossible under present conditions.

### Other Plans Suggested

W. H. Pitkin, who is purported to represent the holders of two-thirds of the bonds, while here a few weeks ago, secured tentative propositions from individual citizens, which he said he would place before his clients with a view of working out a plan that would be acceptable to all concerned. So far as the Citizen is informed, nothing tangible has come from that source on which to base any hopes. But a plan was suggested to Mr. Pitkin, which if adopted, the Citizen believes would be better than any yet mentioned. This proposition, in substance, was for "Pitkin and associates to form a corporation to handle the matter, congregate or become responsible for all

the bonds outstanding, then deliver them to the city in exchange for Lake Cisco and the real estate there situated. A further consideration of this proposition would be the retention of the water and sewage distributing plants, and the granting to the city all the water necessary to operate these systems at an agreed price at the city gates for 50 years."

Attorneys have pointed out certain legal obstacles that would invalidate the 50-year contract, but other attorneys have said this obstacle, while existent, could be removed by legislation.

If this arrangement could be perfected it would place Cisco without any indebtedness, which would enable the city to function with a normal ad valorem tax, and we could exempt all homes from taxatoin up to \$3,000. This, it is believed, would induce hundreds of families to make their homes in Cisco, and if so we would recall the days of 1919 to 1923.

As the Citizen sees it this proposition has many things to recommend it, and few objections that an argument and careful consideration would not eliminate. We know that many would oppose disposing of the lake to any one, and we would oppose it if we were able to keep it. But if by disposing of the lake we can wipe the slate clean we will have made a good investment. I might own a palatial home but if it were not paid for, and it was costing me more than I could earn for its upkeep, and some person would offer to take it off my hands and permit me to use it at a nominal cost, I would be unwise not to dispose of this home. If we dispose of the lake we can still have the water at a nominal cost and enjoy the surroundings as a resort. The lake is a fixed institution and will always be a Cisco asset, regardless in whom is vested its title.

There are likewise objections to any plan Dunne and associates may offer. In the first place, it seems a waste of time to negotiate with persons who do not own a dollar of Cisco's bonds. They are merely promoters, and it is very doubtful if they can ever assemble any appreciable number of the bonds. It is hardly reasonable to suppose that the holders of the bonds would dispose of them at any reasonable discount when it has become known that refunding bonds have been issued.

However, these are more details, and if Dunne and associates can make an acceptable proposition that will dispose of the cloud now hanging over this city the Citizen will

have no "monkey" wrenches to throw in the machinery.

### Commission Resolution

The following resolution was adopted, with all commissioners voting for it:

"Resolved: That this commission be committed to the following resolution:

1. That the service rates to be charged by the city for sanitary service, sewerage, garbage collection and water be fixed at rates deemed to be the average now charged by cities in Texas similarly situated.

2. That the expense of operating the city government be reduced to a minimum consistent with the general welfare and safety of the city and its inhabitants, and within the expense budget of cities in Texas similarly situated.

3. That the city pledge the application of all net revenues from taxation and from the operation of its utilities to the retirement of its debt for a period of 40 years, unless the debt is sooner retired.

4. That the effectiveness of the new rate schedules contemplated herein be postponed until such time as the property tax payers of the city who are qualified voters have authorized bonds to refund the existing funded debt of the city.

5. That Dunne, Davidson, Ranson company be and are hereby authorized to negotiate with the bondholders for the refunding of the debt on this basis with the city's pledge, subject to such election.

6. That the following are appointed as a committee to determine the said rates and budget expense subject to the approval of the commission: J. T. Elliott, Joe Clements and J. R. Burnett.

Commissioners Burnett, Elliott and Clements were named a committee to ascertain the average utility rates charged in cities of Cisco's class which will be presented to the body for approval. Probably some of the reductions in water minimum, fixtures in duplex apartments, etc., may be restored as a basis in determining the proper rates before the actual rates are raised.

By invitation, Judge J. J. Butts, Judge D. K. Scott and F. D. Wright set in with City Attorney Grantham as observers and counsellors of the commission during the consideration of the matters before the commission.

### WHO PAROLED THIS ONE?

EASTLAND—District Clerk W. H. McDonald received a wire from District Judge G. E. Richardson of Jasper county asking for information concerning the Eastland county sentence imposed on Danny Leach.

The telegram stated that Leach had been convicted there of robbery with firearms and a 25 year sentence imposed on him.

Leach was found guilty in Eastland county in what is known as the "Gravel Pit Murder." He was tried May 23, 1930 and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary.

## State Taxpayers Favor Reduction 135 Departments

The State Taxpayers association, in convention at Waco Saturday appointed Tom Hunter of Wichita Falls its lobbyist at the next session of the state legislature. Hunter made a brief speech on tax reform in accepting the place.

A five-year plan on organization, tax reduction and government economy was adopted. A committee was established to study tax reform and suggest changes in the state constitution.

Among the association's recommendations were: Reductions of the 135 state departments to 25; reduction of the number of counties to 50 or as small a number as practicable; readjustment of the taxation bureau; systematic legislation to assist farmers, stockmen, and small merchants; reduction of the membership in the House of the Legislature to 62; lengthening of the governor's term to four years, with provisions for an increased salary and a law that he not succeed himself in office; an educational campaign for taxpayers on the functions of government.

A resolution was passed asking that the present special session of the legislature be adjourned immediately without action now on reduction of state employees' salaries or appropriations not of emergency nature. Incorporation of the association was planned. Its next meeting will be at Waco Dec. 3. About 75 members were present.

### CONFERENCE ICE CREAM PAID BY COMMISSIONERS

It having been intimated in the article contributed by "Taxpayer" in last week's issue of the Citizen, that ice cream enjoyed when the commissioners and employees conferred a few weeks ago, was charged to the city and paid for out of city funds, Secretary Cates stated that this was only partially true, as the price of the cream was paid for out of city funds on authority of Commissioners Clements and Elliott, but the sum was later donated by the commissioners and the amount reimbursed to the city.

Secretary Cate said that the action of the commission in charging the price of the cream to the city was only following a precedent set by previous administrations, as he showed the Citizen an account where costs of entertainments were charged to and paid for out of city funds. One instance was \$19 for a banquet.

The Citizen is glad to correct this impression that the commissioners had charged refreshments to the city. The precedent, if so it be, is reprehensible, and the people will hardly countenance such practices, precedent or no precedent. So, we are glad to state that the commissioners had reimbursed the city for the cream.

## "The Citizen Doing Good Work; Here's \$1; Keep it Coming"

The above statement has been made by several friends who endorse the Citizen's fight for better city government, and improved conditions generally, and better markets for country produce that will induce people living in the Cisco trade territory to patronize Cisco merchants. The mission of the Citizen is to bring about a closer relation between the farmers and the Cisco business men, and to induce the people to buy from Cisco merchants, and to patronize home business concerns and industrial plants. And in doing so we want to say that the Citizen is the only home-owned newspaper published in Cisco. No one living outside of the city limits of Cisco owns a dollar in this newspaper. What money comes through this paper is spent in Cisco with Cisco merchants, and none of the receipts are sent to an outside town. Yet, some of Cisco's largest merchants, while endorsing the policy of patronizing home-owned enterprises so far as it effects their own sales, seem slow to recognize the only paper published here that is owned by Cisco people, or to buy farm and factory products. Our interests are in Cisco. If Cisco thrives, we are benefitted. If Cisco suffers, we suffer. The owners of the string newspaper have no fixed property in Cisco. If their business should fail they can pick up and move. Nothing to hold them here as a permanent institution.

When you patronize the Cisco Citizen you have the satisfaction of knowing that you are supporting a home institution; our farmers know they are trading with merchants who believe in patronizing home in-

dustry when they trade with merchants who advertise in the Citizen.

To our farmer friends and subscribers we want to say that country produce is still legal tender for subscriptions to the Cisco Citizen. If you haven't the cash just bring in anything that can be used for food, such as chickens, butter, eggs, black eyed peas, peas, tomatoes, turnips, shoulder of pork, piece of beef or anything edible, as we are still human, and must live. We have to buy these articles of food, and if you have more than you can consume we will be glad to credit your subscription to the full amount you owe. We can use an unlimited quantity of any kind of canned food, such as vegetables, meats, etc.

If you endorse the policy of the Citizen we want you as a regular subscribers. Many are behind with their subscriptions, and we hope these will call around and square their bills, as it does take some money to pay foreign bills. Several of the farmers, mechanics, professional and business men have told the editor that the Citizen has done and is doing good work for the city and entire community, and all interested in the fight the Citizen is making for economy should support the paper. One man handed us a dollar a few days ago, and said: "I endorse the Citizen in its efforts to bring about a better state of affairs, and here's a dollar to make that statement good."

Several others who have paid in advance have told us that each of the several economic editorials were worth the price of a year's subscription, and they were ready to renew their subscription just as soon as their time expired. These are sentiments that count more than individual praise. While we are always pleased to know that our efforts are meeting with approval, yet when the friends of the paper, who can do so, back that statement with a dollar, they have said something. Don't rush, but just drop in and hand us a dollar.

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**Some Observations  
On Manner of Work  
Being Done on Road**

It is questionable whether the work now being done on the Bankhead highway is beneficial or detrimental. Most of the people who have expressed an opinion on the subject say that the only benefits manifest is the employment of idle labor in this section. We will admit that this is worth considering, but whether the tearing up of a splendid brick roadbed, placed by a competent road builder, and replaced by inexperienced men, just for the purpose of giving employment, is doubtful. It is the opinion of many that the roadbed is being injured by the work now being done. That this has the appearance of being true is seen in the quantity of brick that is not being put back into the roadway from whence it was taken. One can see larger cracks between the new brick than are visible in the old roadbed. The brick that are left over where the new work is done between Cisco and Eastland would probably build several additional feet of roadway. This may be cured by a thick topping of surfacing material. But we don't know. But on the whole it is doubtful if this new work will prove detrimental or beneficial to the highway. If beneficial, perhaps the work is worthwhile, which should have been a demonstrable fact before the engineers ordered the work done. If detrimental the work is not worthwhile just for the sake of giving men employment. As much or more work could have been supplied idle labor had the highway commission taken over the Breckenridge cutoff. Not only would this project have given more men work, but would have been a real service to traffic generally. The cut-off would connect up other major state projects and made a highway where an almost impassable county road now stands as an excuse for a highway.

It seems that those having the matter in hand are using poor judgment in the construction work, so far as the convenience of the traveling public is concerned. Instead of tearing up and repairing half of the roadway, the full breadth of roadbed is removed, forcing traffic to detour over rough roads. This was not so bad while the grounds were dry, but in wet weather, like the present, these detours cannot be negotiated without the aid of a truck or tractor to pull the cars out of the mud. Such a state of affairs were reported Thursday morning when Jack Pippen came in from his Dothan home, Jack said that his car went into the mud up to the hubs when he had to detour around the overpass, and a tractor had to pull him out. The road crew, Mr. Pippen said, had a tractor there for that purpose.

This detour was made necessary by reason of the road crew working on the overpass, but according to Pippen, they were only cutting the grass on the edges of the roadbed on the overpass. Why could the crew not cut half of the roadbed, while the traffic used the other half of the road? This, it seems to us from this distance, would be preferable to detouring traffic through mud, hub deep, and having to pull cars out with a tractor.

However, we are not on the ground, and it maybe the road crew is doing the best possible, but we are just making the above criticism as our individual opinion. Take it or leave it. I don't care.

**AGED MOTHER OF JOHN  
N. GARNER DIED MONDAY**

Mrs. Sarah Jane Garner, mother of John N. Garner, vice presidential nominee, died at her Detroit, Texas, home Monday, at the age of 81 years. Her distinguished son reached the bedside of his parent before she expired.

**"LOVE ME TONIGHT" THEY PRAY!  
FAME ANSWERS!—PICTURE TITLE  
HAS REAL MEANING TO STAR TRIO**

"Love Me Tonight!" That's a plea that has almost entirely a romantic connotation. As the title of Maurice Chevalier's latest picture, showing at the Palace theatre, Sunday and Monday it means nothing else.

But there was a time in the life of the star, and of Jeanette MacDonald and Charlie Ruggles, who head the cast supporting him, that it meant something entirely different—something like: "Please, pulleaze!—like me, applaud me, give me a break!"

Chavaler addressed it to an audience in a Paris music hall, Miss MacDonald to a theatrical producer, and Ruggles to the audience at a performance of a San Francisco stock company.

**Prays For Break**

Chevalier's plea, "Love Me Tonight!" was made a little over ten years ago. The French actor was a "comique" at a Paris music hall and had a large following. But he was not the tuxedoed, straw-hatted figure that movie audiences now know. He appeared on the stage in what corresponds to the makeup used by American burlesque show comedians—a huge red putty nose, a battered hat, and baggy, checkered trousers.

One night, in his dressing room, he was making up. Suddenly he stopped. He was sick of his costume, sick of his makeup—and he was through with them, for good, he hoped. He wiped off the make-

up, put on his tuxedo, picked up a straw hat, and strode out into the wings.

At his cue, he pranced out onto the stage, addressing a silent prayer to the audience to "love me tonight." And the audience, after a few puzzled moments during which they tried to figure out who this unusual looking person was, answered the prayer with a storm of applause. The moment they recognized their Maurice, they loved him in his new makeup. And he has retained it ever since.

**One-Man Plea**

Miss MacDonald's plea was addressed only to one person—Ned Wayburn, at that time directing musical shows at the Capitol Theatre in New York. She was in high school in Philadelphia, but on a visit to her sister, Edith, who was dancing with Wayburn in New York, she resolved to go on the stage too. Edith arranged an audition for her with the producer.

She sang for him, praying desperately under her breath, "love me tonight!" Wayburn was impressed. "Can you dance?" he asked her.

Jeanette, praying harder, answered that she could.

"Then do a step for me," he instructed.

Not at all sure that she knew what a time step was, she tried. She guessed right, and her prayer was answered. Wayburn gave her a part in the show and thus started her on her path to fame.

**EXAMINATIONS FOR NAVAL  
ACADEMY BE HELD OCT. 22**

Congressman Blanton announces examinations of candidates from the 17th congressional district for entrance in the Naval Academy at Annapolis will be held October 22. The civil service commission will conduct these examinations at Abilene, Sweetwater, Brownwood, Coleman, Eastland, Lampasas, Stamford, Mineral Wells, San Saba and Breckenridge. All young men within the age will be permitted to compete in these examinations for entry into the Naval Academy, and the four making the highest grades will be certified by the civil service commissions as principal, first, second and third alternates for admission to the Academy July 1, 1933.

**ALBANY NEWS APPRECIATES  
SUGGESTION OF CISCO MAN**

The Albany News of last week contained the following:

Max Elser of Cisco, the man who built the first telegraph line from Ft. Worth to El Paso, and also the man who leased the first land ever leased in Shackelford county for oil, writes in to a friend as follows: "The Albany News of last week forgot that Albany has oil located all around it.

"You should remind the editor."

This was not an oversight on the part of the editor. It was due to a lack of development in this era the last week; but we can assure Mr. Elser that the News will carry a story this week. The News is always glad to receive contributions of this type.

**CISCO MAN MADE MEMBER  
DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE**

With the taking over of the Democratic party machinery by the Ferguson forces Will St. John, of Cisco, was made a member of the state executive committee. Maury Hughes, of Dallas, was made chairman.

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**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE  
CHURCH SERVICES**

The subject of the lesson-sermon is "Reality" in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, September 25.

Psalms 90:2 furnishes the golden text: "From everlasting to everlasting, thou art God."

The following passage from the Bible (John 8:32) is included in the lesson-sermon: "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Embraced in the service is also the following citation from the textbook of Christian Science, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy—page 418:

"Truth is affirmative, and confers harmony. All metaphysical logic is inspired by this simple rule of Truth, which governs all reality. By the truthful arguments you employ, and especially by the spirit of Truth and Love which you entertain, you will heal the sick."

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**Personals.**

Miss Helen Crawford returned to Austin Sunday to enter the University of Texas.

Charles Spears, Dick West, Arthur Wende, and Ben Miley left for Austin Sunday to enter the University of Texas.

Calhoun Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Anderson, has resumed his studies in Southern Methodist University at Dallas.

Statham Ricks and J. Hollis Clark left for Dallas yesterday where they will enter Southern Methodist University.

Dick West departed Sunday for Austin to resume his studies at the State University. Dick is taking journalism as one of his major studies, and has already won a place on the staff of the Texan.

Sherman Roberts is in Longview on a business mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Murray and children, of Vernon, were weekend guests of Cisco relatives.

**COPPER WIRE BURNED  
OUT OF INSULATION**

Lightning did a freak stunt when a vivid flash struck electric wiring in a home at Avenue I and Twelfth street at 5:30 Wednesday afternoon. The fire department responded to an alarm from that number and prevented any further damage than slightly scorching the interior that came in contact with the wiring. Truckman Mickey Stuart said the copper wire was entirely consumed, leaving the insulation like a sausage with the meat squeezed out.

The insulation was not consumed by the electric current, except being burst in places, but the copper wire was completely burned out.

The residence is owned by Mrs. W. H. Day, and was occupied by an employe of the West Texas Produce Co., Stuart said.

**Early Winter  
Is Time Set for  
Cisco Postoffice**

Early winter is dated for construction work to begin on the Cisco postoffice building, according to a recent letter from H. R. Nichol, acting fourth assistant postmaster general to Secretary J. E. Spencer, of the Cisco chamber of commerce, received here Wednesday. In his letter to Mr. Spencer in reply to the commercial secretary's request for information regarding the commencement of the building Mr. Nichol said:

"I have discussed the Cisco postoffice project with officials of the treasury department and they advised me that plans for the building have progressed to the point where it is expected construction bids will be asked for about Nov. 1. This should permit the commencement of construction comparatively early in the winter, and I can assure you that the case will give constant attention in order that our present expectations may be realized."

The above is the most definite assurance Cisco has yet received as to just what time work will be started on the postoffice building, and unless there is a change in these plans we should expect to see the work begin before the Christmas holidays.

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