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City Commission Calls Meeting to Consider Gas Rate Reduction

Train Load of **School Teachers**

There weren't any school children down at the station Directors of the chamber of Wednesday evening to meet commerce Tuesday evening the them, but that bunch of school matter of beautifying and imteachers was probably not look- proving the vicinity of the ing for any pupils just at that time, for they were taking a at some length, and an approneeded rest from school room priation of \$75.00 was voted, worries and headed for a real which is to be used to prepare vacation trip.

We speak of that Missouri benches, etc. for picnicers vis-Pacific special which stopped in Cisco for a short time on The proposed that evening which was loaded ing some one to Washington, D. with about 200 school teachers C., with Postmaster Blankenfrom Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indi- beckler to urge that there be no ana, Wisconsin, Missouri, Illi- delay in starting construction nois, and other states, as well of the proposed federal building as from various parts of Texas, for Cisco was also considered, on a vacation trip which takes and President Collins instructed them to El Paso from here, and to appoint a committee to work on to Los Angeles for a meet- together with the City Commising of the National Education- sion toward this end. al Association. The return trip will be routed so as to visit many interesting places of va-cation land which are not touched on the outgoing trip.

ped with every comfort and convenience for the travelers, including very elaborate diners, soda fountains, etc.

By far, the greater percent- do the preaching. their trip.

YEOMAN LODGE ENJOYS PLEASANT SOCIAL MEET

The Yeoman lodge enjoyed a

Paris, Texas, Tuesday.

At a meeting of the Board of more barbecue pits, tables and

Improving Lake

The proposed matter of send-

REVIVAL MEETING

Arrangements are complete for the beginning of the revival The train was finely equip- at 12th Street Methodist church Sunday, June 28th. Services will be conducted under the tabernacle of the East Side Baptist church. Rev. H. D. Tucker will Services age of the passengers were each day at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. "school marms," and they seem- A cordial invitation is extended A cordial invitation is extended ed to all be making the most of to every one to attend these services.

Lions, Rotarians At Eastland

A number of Cisco Lions and most pleasant social meeting at Rotarians attended a meeting the K. of P. hall Thursday even-ing, at which time no business which time representatives was transacted. Members and were present from several of their families and a few invited the towns in this vicinity and a guests spent the evening play- general program enjoyed. The ing 42 and other games, at the meeting was presided over by conclusion of which ice cream Bill McDonald, president of the and cake were served. A great time is reported by all present. Bin inclohing, probability, proba the speakers was L. B. Denning, president of the Lone Star Gas Miss Hodges who has been Co., and Will C. Grant, public visiting her cousin, Mrs. H. A. relations manager of that com-Crosby, returned to her home in pany. The meeting was on the roof garden of the Connellee

Probably one of the most meeting to show cause, if they Contract Let For cheering bit of news which has deem it proper, why the gas Picnic Grounds greeted our readers in many rates now prevailing in the City moons is the fact that the City of Cisco should not be changed.

> unanimously adopted. In this Be it further resolution the West Texas Util-resolution the West Texas Util-tries Co. and the Lone Star Gas tion be mailed to each of the The county had already fulunanimously adopted. In this Co. are requested to be present at a meeting of the Commission istered mail at this time. to be held on July 9th to "show cause, if they deem it proper, ing in the city of Cisco should correct copy of a Resolution not be changed."

mayor of Cisco also be furnish- the City of Cisco. ed a copy of the contract between the Lone Star Gas Co. and the West Texas Utilities Co. The following is the resolu-

tion as adopted by the City Commission:

Commission of the City of Cis- gard to sending representatives co, that there be held on the to Washington, D. C., to urge fic each evening. If this plan 9th day of July, 1931, at 8:00 the speeding up of the erection is carried out the work on the c'clock p. m., a meeting of the of the proposed federal build-City Commission for the pur- ing for Cisco.

of the reduction of gas rates in the City of Cisco, Eastland was elected permanent fire The finishi county, Texas, and that the marshall at Monday's commis-

mediately notified of this meet- some tax matters, and some

Commission has at last called Be it further resolved that a meeting for the purpose of the Lone Star Gas Co. and the

considering the lowering of the West Texas Utilities Co. be regas rates in Cisco. A resolution quested to furnish to the Mayor to this end which was prepared of the City of Cisco at the earby City Attorney F. D. Wright, liest possible date a true copy of was presented at the called the contract now prevailing be-meeting of the Commission on tween the West Texas Utilities Monday afternoon, and was Co. and the Lone Star Gas Co. Be it further resolved that a

above named companies by reg- filled their part of the agree-

I, J. B. Cate, secretary of the City of Cisco, hereby certify why the gas rates now prevail- that the foregoing is a true and ish with the asphalt topping. passed on the 22 day of June, Request is also, made that the 1931 by the City Commission of

> Witness my hand, this the 22 day of June, 1931. J. B. CATE.

Another resolution adopted was one instructing the chamber of commerce directors to Be it resolved by the City use their own discretion in re-

pose of considering the matter C. O. Pass, who has been serv-

West Texas Utilities Co. and sion meeting. the Lone Star Gas Co. be im- Adjustment Adjustment was made on ing and invited to attend said bills allowed.

Topping Highway 23

The Texas Highway Commission Monday awarded the contract for the paving of the stretch of road of 16.8 miles on highway 23, running north from Cisco to connect with the pavement of this highway in Shackelford county. The successful bid was from the Jagoe

ment made some time ago in which it was to lay the caliche base, and the state was to fin-

Work is due to start very shortly on this, and it was part of the agreement of those bidding on the job that all local labor would be be used on the project.

It is expected to start at Cisco and work north, and it is said that after the work is started that a mile a day can be put down. It is also stated that the roadway will be opened to trafproject will interfere very little with the traffic to Lake Cisco, the greater part of this being in

The'finishing of this work will give Cisco a paved outlet to the north, besides a paved road to the lake, which will be an added attraction to that place as a resort.

HUMBLE BRIDGE CLUB WITH MRS. WALLACE

Beautiful roses and gladiolas of all hues cleverly placed throughout the rooms made a charming setting for the entertainment of the Humble Bridge Club when it met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. W. Wallace in Humbletown.

This

Mrs. J. R. Slaughter won high

W. C. McDaniel, Jack Jones, J. E. Jamison, Ted Mullinix, G. M. Simpson, and W. J. Armstrong.

The saving in electric rates of \$1.00 flat per month, and for and the reliable service render-lighting and cooking or lighted by the municipal electric ing and refrigerating at a flat light and power plant at Sey-mour, Texas, has resulted in a practice later was discontinued, strong support for the plant but other competitive methods since its installation in 1929, have been used to hamper the and citizens of Seymour are municipal plant. justifiably proud of the success The saving effected for citiof the system. Seymour began zens of Seymour last year by score and was awarded a 4-deck operation of its lighting plant the municipal plant is conserv-

August 21, 1929, with approxi- atively estimated to be about son was given a silhouette deck mately 65 per cent of the elec-tric business, and has gained ence between the cost of service A delicious salad plan A delicious salad plate lunch new customers each month. during the year and what the was served to four tables Approximately 75 per cent of same service would have cost members and guests as follows: the electric connections there at rates that prevailed before Mesdames Slaughter, Henson, are now served by the city plant the city installed its plant. Not F. D. McMahon, M. L. McGan-City officials were prompted a single interruption has occur- non, C. R. Henderson, W. K. Esto install a municipal plant in red in the plant's service since gen, C. G. Meroney, Pete Booth, order to insure a dependable it started in 1929. The distripower supply and also to secure bution system covers the entire R. Almond, Joe Hanrahan, A. lower rates for both domestic city limits, and is of first class consumers and for the current construction. used by the city for water pump-In addition to the saving in ing and street lighting. Oper- rates, the municipal plant pro- CIRCLE 6 MEETS WITH MRS. J. R. BURNETT ating a municipal waterworks vides other benefits for the city. system, the city was compelled At rates in force before the city Circle 6 of the Baptist W. M. at considerable expense to plant was started, street light- U. met with Mrs. J. R. Burnett maintain standby units for use ing service was almost prohib- at her home on Ave. D Tuesday in case of failure of the power itive, but now the residential afternoon. The meeting opensection is attractively lighted at ed with a business session presupply. Completion of the municipal night as well as the business sided over by Mrs. H. L. Kunplant was delayed for more than section. Free awning lights are kel. A Bible lesson was then a year by an injunction suit furnished business establish- conducted by Mrs. Burnett, af-brought by the Texas Electric ments on the basis of one 15- ter which a very pleasant so-Service Company, which also watt globe for each foot of cial hour was enjoyed. WITH MRS. SCHAEFER Roses and other cut flowers was entered into between the municipal waterworks was also fully decorated with Shasta were used by Mrs. Rudolph city and Fairbanks-Morse Co., cut proportionately by operat- Daisies and roses. Refresh-Schaefer for decorations Wed- for a complete generating and ing both electric and water sys- ments of fruit salad and banana nesday afternoon when she was distribution system, to be paid tems with the same crew. cake were served to Mesdames hostess to the Happy Thimble for entirely out of profits of the With such satisfactory results H. L. Kunkel, E. C. Duncan, Alplant. Two 240 h. p. and one from the first year and a half gy Skiles, S. S. Benefield, A. D. Salad, sandwiches, cookies, 180 h. p. Diesel electric units of operation, officials and cit- Purvis, and Misses Nellie Blackvere installed. Despite competition of con-timistic about the future of the Frank Walker and the hostess. were installed. with whipped cream were serv-ed to Mesdames C. E. Hickman, met its obligations regularly been paid for out of earnings. Rev. H. D. Tucker, pastor of Audrey Hull, E. Lennon, Dewey while saving thousands of dolthe First Methodist church of Moore, C. H. Parish, J. P. Par- lars annually in rates to Sey-Mrs. Reagan Bolinger, who Cisco, announces that his sermour citizens. Soon after the has been visiting relatives in mon next Sunday night will be city plant began operations, the this city, returned to Big Spring on the subject, "Business is Get-The club meets next week competing company resorted to Thursday. She was accompan- ting Better," and all business with Mrs. H. A. Crosby at 309 flat rates, furnishing current ied home by Miss Bessie Lee men of the city are especially for domestic lighting at a rate Lawrence. invited to attend.

Seymour Finds Municipal Ownership Pays

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Sunday-Monday-Tues.



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Balcony	(25
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WITH MRS. L. SURLES Mrs. Leonard Surles chose roses and gladioli for decorations when she entertained the Modernistic Bridge Club at her home on Ave. N Thursday afternoon.

High score was won by Mrs. Jack Jones and cut by Mrs. Lonnie Tullos.

The hostess served punch and sandwiches to Mesdames Jones, Tullos, Jack Pippen, Cotton Pippen, Lewis Starr, Lawson Hutton, Geo. Wild, Ted Huesties, Smith Huesties, Joe Black, R. L. Jeffries, J. L. Thornton, A. D. Birdwell, Glenn, Gustafson, and Lloyd Surles.

HAPPY THIMBLE CLUB WITH MRS. SCHAEFER

Club. and a refreshing iced drink, cof-

fee and cocoa concoction topped

ish, H. A. Crosby, A. E. Jamison Oren Caudle and Irl Slaughter.

West 16th.

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HAD YOU THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY?

ing town the other day, and was in conversation with several others, and one of the party undertook to convince us that the depression which has been worrying us for some bit is ALL in the mind. We can't seem to be able to "kid" our worse than broke condition along to that extent. We freely admit we wish we could sometimes.

But a little story in a recent exchange contains a lot of moral. The writer of it told it for a true incident. He said he dropped into a store the other day to buy a new straw hat. He was feeling pretty good and approached the proprietor with a big smile, shook hands with him and said, "How are you this morning?" The corner of the merchant's mouth were turned down, his face was a yard long while he replied: "I to; cotton is going down every instead of by two-thirds of numday and business is rotten. No- ber of qualified voters. This is

country is going to the devil." 'Well,' thought the customer to himself, "if everything is all that tion., bad, I don't believe I need a new straw after all." So he shed a

tear or two with the merchant, putona long face and said, "Yes, that's so; never saw anything like it." And he put on his old hat and left-without making a purchase.

"That's exactly what is ninety per cent of the trouble with business today," the exchange continues. "Suppose business IS dull, suppose the country IS going to the devil. It won't help matters to always be whining about it and pouring your troubles into the ears of everybody you come in contact with. And The writer was in a neighbor- on the other hand it will improve your feelings, if not your business, to greet people with a smile

and talk about something elsejust anything else-except your troubles."

NINE AMENDMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

The legislature of this state has submitted nine constitutional amendments to be voted on at the next general election in 1932:

To repeal part of the university fund amendment adopted last year, which gave the right to invest the permanent fund in the aniversity's own obligations. This might be termed a corrective amendment.

To permit retired officers of thearmy, navy, and marine corps to hold public office.

To permit gulf coast counties to vote seawall bonds by two al consumers at a profit which don't know what we are coming thirds of those actually voting body has any money, and the also a corrective amendment.

To exempt homesteads up to \$2000 from state advalorem taxa-

To empower legislature to establish ten-year limitations on delinquent tax collections.

To combine the office of county tax assessor with that of county tax collestor.

To change the method by which property sold for taxes may be redeemed.

To limit participation in bond elections to those who have rendered property for taxation. To authorize the legislature to

make appropriation for Texas centennial celebration.

CONTRASTS

We were going through some old exchanges the other day, and picked up a copy of the Municipal Utilities Magazine. In the editorial column the name of Cisco caught our eye. Here is the article we read:

Condition of the city of Havana, Cuba, which purchases its current from private companies, and the cities of similar size in the United States which generate their own current, present a decided contrast.

The city of Havana is faced with the problem of raising more than \$3,000,000 with which to pay its bill for electric current, that has been in arrears for several years. Cities that are so fortunate as to own their utilities. on the other hand have not only secured their street lighting and water pumping current free, but have sold current to domestic and industrihas helped to pay the cost of .operating their city governments.

An example nearer home is the city of Cisco, which narrowly averted a receivership through inability to retire its bonded indebtedness as it matured. Had Cisco owned its electric light plant and operated it in connection with its municipally owned water works, the profit that would have accumulated therefrom would have beyond question tided the city government over a financial crisis.

Been Everywhere

A group of tourists was looking over the inferno of Vesuvius in full eruption. "Ain't this just like hell?" ejaculated a Yank.

"Ah, zese Americans," exclaimed a Frenchman, "where have zey not been!"

Yep, wE shure need some gAs relief all right; naw, we're not talkin' about street cOrner gAs, we're refUrrin' to the kind yu bUrn, dad blast it!!

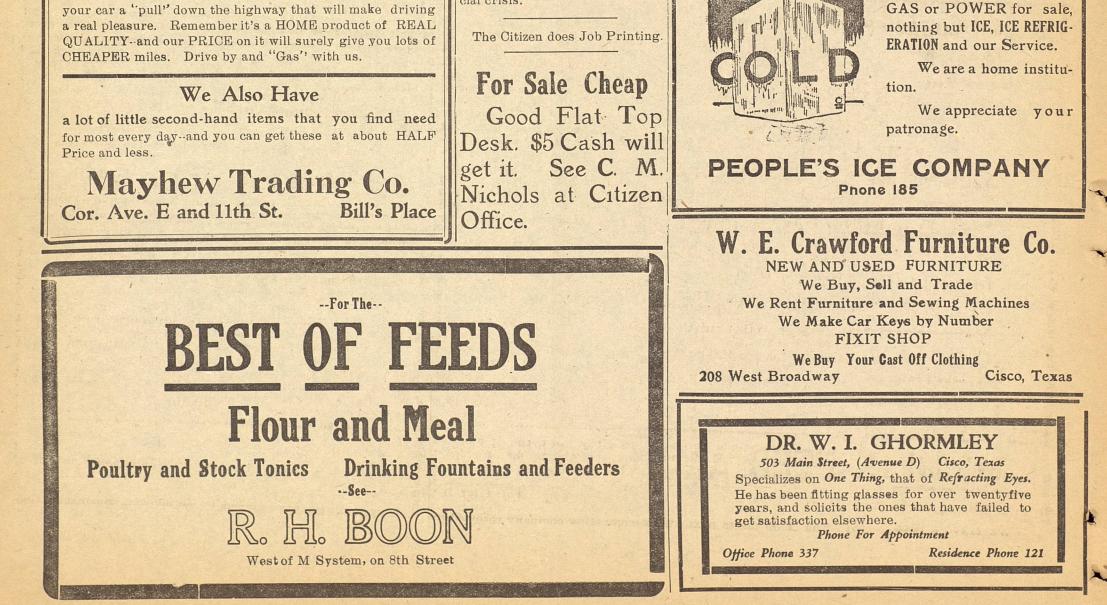
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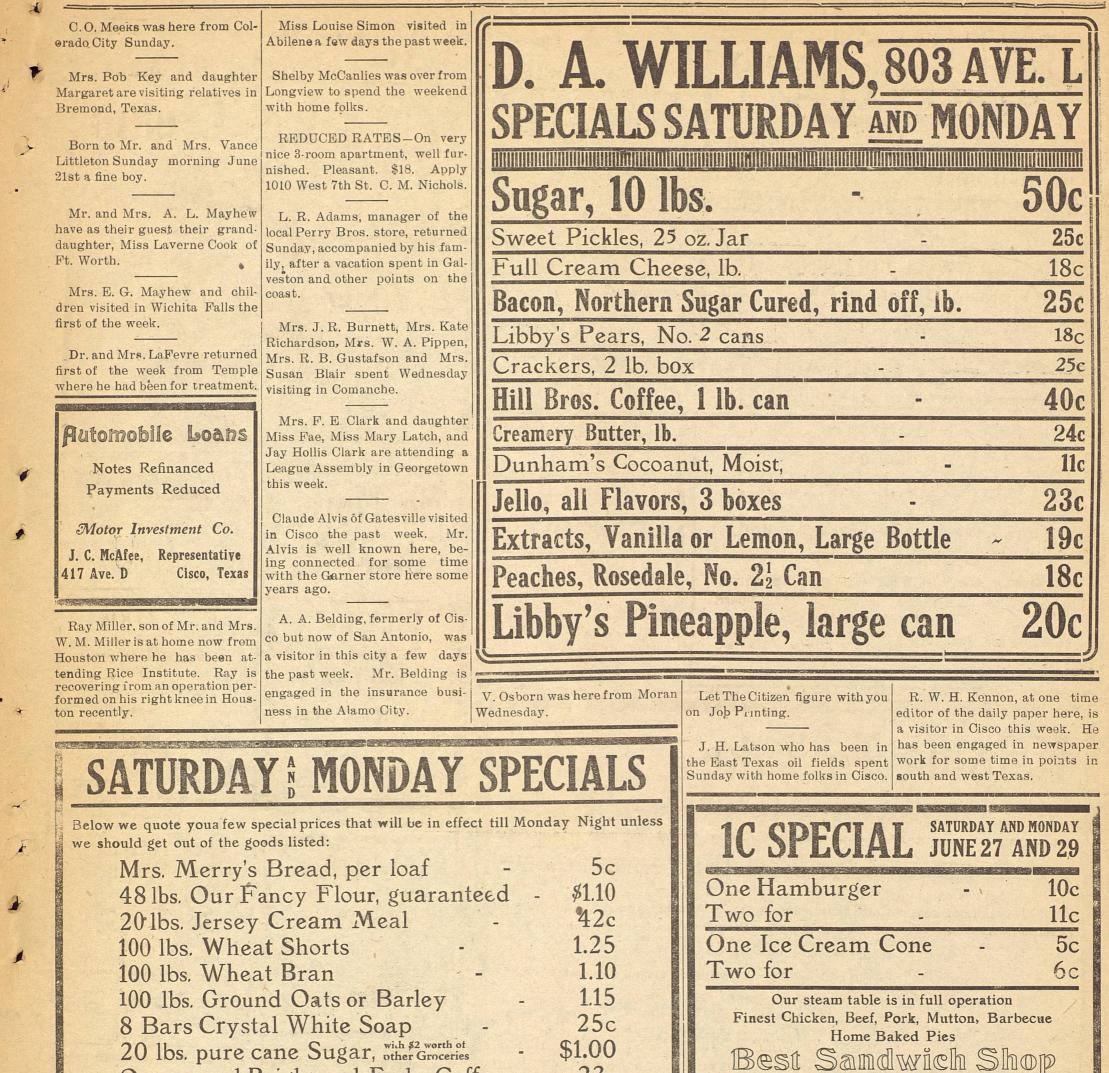
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