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Federal Building And 2 Football Victories Make Ciscoans Chesty

Cisco has every reason to be a bit chesty this week. Two football victories and a new Federal building are recent acquisitions and causes of this general felicity that possesses the average Ciscoan today.

The Lobos, classed as the under dogs in recent gridiron contests, came from under and defeated the strongly touted Buckaroos two weeks ago, and repeated the dose when they mauled the Eastland Mavericks last Friday, by not only beating the Mavericks, but did so over the hostility of the game officials, whose rulings were universally criticised by the grandstand during the entire game. The score, twelve to six, was not bad, even against the Mavericks, when one considers the open preference shown the Eastland team by the officials.

But the Lobo fans have forgotten the deal handed them while rejoicing over the completion of the new federal building, which was occupied by the local postoffice officials last Sunday, when mail was distributed to the public for the first time Sunday morning.

Moved Saturday

Saturday afternoon is a holiday at the local postoffice, and it was then Postmaster W. H. Craddock decided to change from the old location to the new, that the public would be inconvenienced as little as possible. Previous to occupancy of the new quarters Postmaster Craddock and his assistants kept open house Friday evening, and invited the public to inspect the new postoffice building before the mail was transferred. The response to this invitation was generous, for several hundred of the townspeople came and lingered long while admiring the handsome structure, where every convenience for the postal workers and the public seems to have been anticipated in the construction and equipment. Only admiration was voiced by the many who were escorted through the building by the postal workers and the pleasure of being a citizen of a city with such a handsome home for our postoffice was reflected by everyone present. Done in red pressed brick with white stone trimmings, the exterior presents a striking appearance, with its wide concrete walks and parkings for cars of the carriers, and further augmented by the well rounded off lawns that will be covered in a carpet of green when the grass begins to grow next spring. Old Glory will wave in the breeze from the lofty steel flagpole that stands at the southeast corner of the structure, which may be seen for miles, from the rising of the sun till the going down thereof.

Safety Concrete Walks

The entrance on West Sixth street is reached, over a spacious concrete walk, sand finished, that minimizes the chances of accidents when the walk may be covered with sleet, as there is none of that sleek, glassy finish on any of the walks, like that which may be found in other sections of the city.

But the interior is a thing of beauty and convenience. The patrons enter the building through double storm doors, over a huge Lone Star between the outer and inner doors, and they are inside a large, well lighted lobby to receive their mail from the delivery window of the lock boxes.

The money order and registry windows are on the east end of the lobby, while the general delivery, stamp and parcel post windows are west of the lock boxes on the left, as is the letter and parcel post drops for depositing mail matter. The postmaster's office opens into the lobby from the west end of the building, and apart from the work room of the main office.

The floor of the entire building is done in hardwood mosaics, which is not only a thing of beauty but is easy on the feet of the workers.

Above the main work room is the men's lounging apartment, while the women's rest room is on the main

FEDERAL SUPREME COURT HOLDS VALID REGULATION OF UTILITY RATES BY CITIES

The right of municipalities to prescribe by ordinance minimum rates for utilities was established by the federal supreme court Monday when that tribunal denied the application of the Texas Electric Service company to review the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the fifth federal district. The appeals court upheld the right of the city council of Seymour to fix by ordinance, a minimum utility rate.

Seymour operates its own electric power plant, and had fixed a rate below that of the Texas Service company, which in turn, reduced its rates about 10 per cent below that charged by the municipal plant.

The city council of Seymour passed an ordinance fixing a minimum rate for electric service, applicable to all furnishing electricity.

Under the ordinance the company was required to raise its rates and charges. The ordinance, the company contended, would cause it to lose a number of its customers, with corresponding loss in gross and net revenues. It added this would deprive it of constitutional rights.

It challenged the right of the city council, as the managing board of the municipal plant, to regulate its rates.

The federal district court sustained its complaint, but the fifth circuit court of appeals reversed the trial court, sustained the ordinance and directed that the company's suit be dismissed.

This latter decision is upheld in the ruling of the federal supreme court Monday.

While the case in point was in regard to electric rates, it will be held applicable to gas company rates, and will apply to Cisco's rate with the Community Natural hijackers.

Locally, the city commission has fixed a rate for gas charges, and the Citizen was informed that the Community Natural hijackers had posted a bond to reimburse the patrons of the local distributing plant in case they failed to show that the commission was without authority to establish a minimum charge for gas service.

While Cisco's case has gone through considerable ramifications, and it is not clear just where we stand in the premises, yet the Citizen is wondering if the Community Natural hijackers will not have to pay its local patrons the difference between the city's established rate of 50 cents gross and the hijacker's rate of 75 cents, collected? Probably not, as a do-nothing course is one of least resistance, which seems to be the policy of the present administration.

However, the patrons who have been the victims of the legal bandits, may bring independent action to recover amounts overpaid the hijackers, as there is nothing to prevent this course.

Might be a good idea to dig up your old gas receipts. These may be necessary to establish your claim if action is instituted.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shertzler have vacated the W. E. Spencer residence at 504 Avenue I, and have removed to College Hill, where they have taken the residence of the president of Randolph college. This was available, as President David F. Tyndall and family are domiciled at the parsonage of the Christian church. It is rumored that Mr. and Mrs. Spencer are contemplating returning to Cisco from Lubbock, where they have lived for several years.

floor. Both are handsomely finished for the comfort of the employees.

Those who saw the building Friday evening understand these things better than we can tell them. But all are proud of Cisco's new postoffice.

Are There 500 Folk Men, Women and Kids Living in Cisco Now?

What is Cisco's population since the exodus of 1931-32? Has the city as many as 5,000 men, women and kids living within the city limits of Cisco?

This question has been discussed by many of our citizens, with some placing the population as low as 3,500, while others have guessed the number of inhabitants of the city to be around the 5,000 mark. The latter figure seems to be nearer correct, according to the enumeration made by the workers for the A. K. Wagner Co., now compiling a directory of the city. According to these figures there has been listed by the directory enumerators 4,355 citizens. As a rule directories rarely list a child under 15 years of age. Taking this as a basis, and estimating one-fifth of Cisco's population to be children under 15 years, would give the city a population of 5,226.

This estimate is that of the Cisco Citizen, but your figures might be more or less. Probably there are more than one-fifth of our population under 15 years of age, then there may be less. But suppose you figure it out and let's see what you make it. The listings of the Wagner directory will, when off the press, be found to contain 4,355 names. You can estimate how many under age that are not listed, and let us know what you make it.

Planning For Work On Leeray Highway To Begin Wednesday

Marvin Hood, of the state highway department, was here from Brownwood last Monday and completed arrangements to begin work on the Leeray highway by assigning men to jobs on the road. It is reported that nearly 100 men will be given work at the start, but these will work in shifts, according to Mr. Hood, of 15 days each. More than half of the men assigned are from Cisco and vicinity, as the initial work will begin at the intersection of the highway with East Sixth street.

Mr. Hood stated that the work of reconstructing the road will begin on next Wednesday, and will be pushed to completion as speedily as possible. The appropriation of \$25,597 is for the initial work, but it is anticipated that the highway department will make available ample funds to prosecute the construction work to completion without any intermissions.

Mrs. Troy Powell presented her young pupil, little Miss Marian Jacob, in a song program over station KPFL at Dublin, Saturday. Mrs. Powell accompanied the little artist, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Jacobs.

STEPFATHER OF H. J. WOOLDRIDGE EXPIRES

E. Wegner, 81 years of age, stepfather of H. J. Wooldridge died at the home of his son, W. C. Wegner, at Brady, Nov. 2. The remains were buried at Blanco City beside the grave of his wife, the mother of Mr. Wooldridge, who passed away about two years ago.

Mrs. Wooldridge stated that this was the fourth death among their relatives that had occurred within the last three years. Mrs. Wegner, Mr. Wooldridge's mother; Mrs. H. E. Blanton, his sister, and Mr. Wegner. Mr. G. T. Smith, a brother of Mrs. Wooldridge, also passed away during the time mentioned.

Four of Six States Voting Wet Tuesday Makes It 37 To Two

With Pennsylvania, Ohio, Utah and Kentucky voting heavily for the 21st amendment, which repeals the famous 18th amendment to the federal constitution, ended the life of the "noble experiment," and made certain the repeal of the constitutional provision which has kept the United States nominally dry for the past 13 years. North and South Carolina are the only two states that have voted for retention of the 18th amendment, but as the other four states joined the 33 previously favoring repeal, the vote of the Carolinas was not necessary. It is stated repeal will be formally ratified by Dec. 5.

While the vote of Kentucky has not been tabulated, yet all concede the vote in that state being overwhelmingly for repeal. Like Texas, Kentucky must remain dry till the people can vote on the amendment to the state constitution which cannot be held before November, 1935. Repeal delegates will convene Nov. 27 to ratify the adoption of the 21st amendment in Kentucky.

Application To Sell White Star Refinery Be Heard November 22

D. M. Oldham, referee in bankruptcy, has sent out notices that a hearing will be held in Abilene Nov. 22 on the application of the trustee in bankruptcy of the White Star Refining Co. to sell the property of the plant located in Cisco. According to this notice the refinery has been appraised at \$9,000, probably one-third of its replacement cost.

The sale will held in Cisco Nov. 22, when the destiny of the refinery will be determined.

MOTHER-IN-LAW OF FORMER CISCO BOY BURIED TUESDAY

Mrs. Luther Davenport, former resident of Ranger, died in Miami, Fla., last Friday, and the remains were buried in Ranger Tuesday. She was the mother of Mrs. Frank Terry, of Wichita Falls. Terry is the eldest son of Mrs. Lizzie Terry, and was reared in Cisco, and at the time of his graduation was the youngest graduate of the Cisco high school. He was 16 years of age, and received his diploma dressed in knee pants.

MORRIS HAYES SHINES AND DYES SHOES WELL

Morris Hayes, the shine boy at the Nu-Way Beauty shop, understands his line of work, and makes it a point to see that his patrons are satisfied. Believing the public wants its work well done, he strives to put a shine on your shoes that will not fade. He takes particular pains with two-tone footwear, especially ladies' shoes, and turns out his work as near like new as possible. Not only does he do a neat job in polishing the shoes of his customers, but he can dye your footwear in any color desired. Just leave your shoes at the Nu-Way barber shop and Morris will do the rest, and do it well.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hopper, who were the guests of their sister, Mrs. R. W. H. Kennon and Mr. Kennon for a very pleasant ten days visit, have returned to their home in Cleburne. Prior to their visit here they spent some time with a sister of Mrs. Hopper in Washington City, being there while congress was in session, and were interested spectators of the national congress in action.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Lassater, of Nimrod community, were pleasant callers at the Citizen office while in Cisco Saturday.

RADIO—8-tube Philco cabinet radio for sale, suitable for Christmas present. Will give terms. Bargain.—See Southern States Finance Corporation, Gude Hotel Building.

Passing Of Pioneer Mourned By Many In Death Of Max Elser

The passing of one of the pioneer citizens of Cisco was a shock to many here when it became known last Saturday morning that Maximilian Elser, aged 82 years, one of the trail blazers in oil development in this section, had passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. H. Hardy, in Fort Worth, whither he had gone several weeks ago by reason of his failing health.

Since early 1919 Max Elser, as he was known by a host of friends and acquaintances, has been a familiar figure to practically everybody in and near Cisco, and few men were better or more favorably known in this entire section of West-Central Texas.

From time to time the Citizen has published stories of Mr. Elser's holdings in oil-bearing acreages, also his construction of the telegraph line from Fort Worth to El Paso, which are familiar to most of the Citizen readers, and that includes practically all in Cisco and the Cisco country. But we will add that it was while constructing the telegraph line along the Texas & Pacific route that he conceived the notion that West Texas, and especially Eastland and Callahan counties were underlain with petroleum, and it was in these and Shackelford county that he secured mineral leases later. That his judgment was not faulty is evidenced by the big strikes that were later developed where he secured holdings. At one time he held mineral rights—mostly royalties—on 45,000 acres, but later disposed of a considerable portion. However, at the time of his passing title to several thousand acres in royalties, mostly in Shackelford county, was vested in him, from which he received substantial incomes. These holdings are still valuable, much of which has never been developed, from which will pay incomes for years yet to come.

Possessed of a strong constitution, he would undoubtedly have lived many years yet but for an unfortunate accident that caused him to be confined to his bed for nearly one year with an injured spine, since which time he had been steadily declining in health, but recovered from the accident sufficiently to be able to attend to all of his affairs.

Max Elser was a warm friend of the Citizen editor since 1919, and until his last illness was a frequent visitor at his sanctum, where he was always welcome. He was a staunch supporter of the Citizen from the day it was taken over by the present management, and manifested this support in many material ways.

Up to the time of his passing he maintained his home in Cisco, though his nearest relative, Mrs. Harding, resided in Fort Worth, he preferred Cisco as his home, as his friends were here, and it was really a home to him.

Burial was in Oakwood cemetery in Fort Worth last Monday, a story of the funeral services as published in the Star-Telegram was carried out, extracts of which are published below:

Flowers Only From Grandchildren

Six floral wreaths, one from each of his grandchildren, will be placed on the casket at funeral services at 10:30 a. m. Monday for Maximilian Elser Sr., 82, pioneer in the coal, oil and telegraph industries of Texas. The family has requested that no other flowers be sent.

Funeral services will be held at the St. Andrew's Episcopal church, Rev. Halsey Werlein, officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood cemetery.

Queen City Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will officiate at services at the grave. Members of the lodge will serve as pallbearers.

A pioneer in the employment of a number of Texas industries, Mr. Elser built the first telegraph line into Ft. Worth, developed the first mine in Clay county and drilled the first oil well in Central West Texas.

Born in Bath, N. Y., Mr. Elser came to Texas in 1872. It required seven

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, fear not: I will help thee.—Isaiah 41:13.

The love of God is seen
When, fear and doubt receding,
The awakened one looks up with joy
To know the end of pleading.
—Alice T. von Zimmermann.

"Fear thou not." If mankind would grasp the full import of this command, and with the faith of a little child, realize that God is the source of all supply, they would find that there is no cause for fear. What child there be who does not have perfect confidence is receiving every gift promised him. Are not the promises of our Heavenly Father greater than those of our earthly parents? "He who feeds the ravens" will supply our every need.

THE POLITICAL LINE-UP

Already the political writers are forecasting the candidates for the various offices of the state. Of course the two Walters—Woodward and Woodull—chief obstructionists in the present senate, are included. Woodward has definitely decided to

enter the race for Allred's job as attorney general, while Woodull is listed as likely to ask for the place of lieutenant governor. Both of these birds should be sent back home to practice their profession and serve the monopolies who have paid them retainers fees while supposed to have been representing the people. In the past legislature they were active in blocking those measures designed to protect the public from oppression of monopolies. Woodull's constituents repudiated him when they requested that he resign or end his obstruction tactics. Woodward has nothing that would entitle him to the vote of the people. But Allred has not publicly declared he will not be a candidate to succeed himself. Being deprived of his victory in his anti-trust suit by a court decree, he may wish a vindication at the hands of the people, and ask a second term in order to prosecute his case against the oil monopoly. Had a district judge not sustained the demurrals putting him out of court, it is believed he would have scored a victory. Personally, we hope he will again be a can-

didate for attorney general, and be elected. Certainly Woodward would do nothing for the people, while Allred has demonstrated he is not one of the "retainers" of monopolies, and might wish to finish the job he has started, especially should the supreme court decide against Judge Moore.

Then Mrs. Ferguson hardly believes she has had a square deal at the hands of the legislature, and may again take her case to the people. If she does the Ferguson vote may be expected to line up for her.

The wise ones are not giving Tom Hunter much consideration, though admitting that his race last year was very creditable. But the people are likely to rally under the Hunter banner pretty strong. The forecasters never tell that Hunter carried every county in the state in which he personally put his candidacy before the people.

Edgar Witt is being groomed for the governor's job, and reports are already current that he will be backed by the major oil companies. Witt is a pretty good man, but the fate of Clem Calhoun should cause him to fight shy of the oil trust. Money won't put a man over every time, and Texans are not quite ready to turn the state over to the oil monopoly. Witt has a rather strong machine, and were he running on a platform in the interest of the people, and not sponsored by the major companies his prospect would be brighter.

Clint Small is another potential candidate for governor, but his defeat four years ago rather placed him in the "has been" class. Then, too, the people think Small got a little greasy during the last campaign, and much of the popularity he enjoyed four years ago has departed from him.

WAITING OPORTUNITY

We've been doing a lot of sifting, stirring and baking, and we are about to taste some of the pudding—to test our patriotism and the loyalty of the workers of one industry to another. The processing tax in the AAA act is soon to be generally applied. In fact, we have already had a taste of it, but we'll get more than a mouthful before the pastures turn green in the spring.

W. H. Laux, Oklahoma City livestock merchant, and member of the United States Livestock association, has just returned from a conference of the association at Chicago. Mr. Laux says that according to the bureau of agricultural economics and the department of commerce, meat retails at 110 per cent of the prices which prevailed in 1914, while livestock values are less than 50 per cent of the prices paid to producers in that year.

The tax on hog processing will begin November 5, at 50 cents per hundred, and will rise to a maximum of \$2 February 1; and that means still higher prices are in store for consumers of bacon, pork chops, sausage, ham and corn meal.

To prevent chislers and profiteers from pyramiding the tax will be a problem for the administration; an instance of which was recited by the President in his radio talk Sunday. The price of a cotton shirt, he said, was jumped from \$1.50 to \$2.50, and the salesman tried to justify the charge of the extra dollar to the processing tax, when actually in that shirt there was about one pound of cotton, and the processing tax amounted to 4.5 cents a pound.

The "patriot" of today is one and the same kind of a pocket book patriot we had from 1914 to 1920, and is the same bunch of buzzards who picked the bones of the people during and after the war, and who are now waiting their opportunity to repeat the performance.—Blue Valley Farmer.

DO MILLS PYRAMID THE COTTON TAX!

According to the Consumers Council of the Agricultural administration the processing tax on cotton should not impose a heavy burden on the public. The Council reports that this levy should not increase the price of a pair of overalls more than 8 1-4 cents, the price of a work shirt more than 3 1-2 cents, the price of a bed sheet more than 8 cents.

The Citizen believes this estimate is too low, and that the Council does not take in the increased cost of labor, or short-

er hours of work. But the Citizen believes the manufacturer is pyramiding the added tax and cost to the retailer, who has to pass it on to the public. No man can buy a work shirt now at only 8 1-4 cents increase in price, nor the other articles mentioned. Rather than the figures named the increased prices on cotton goods will more nearly run from 25 per cent up. The president told of a salesman asking \$2.50 for a \$1.50 shirt. The Citizen paid \$1.39 for a shirt that was marked 98c before the tax.

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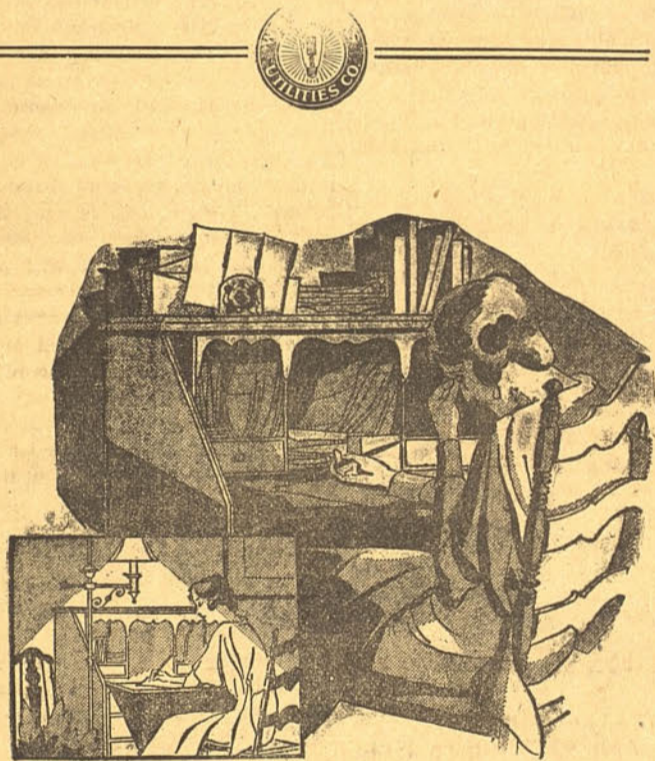
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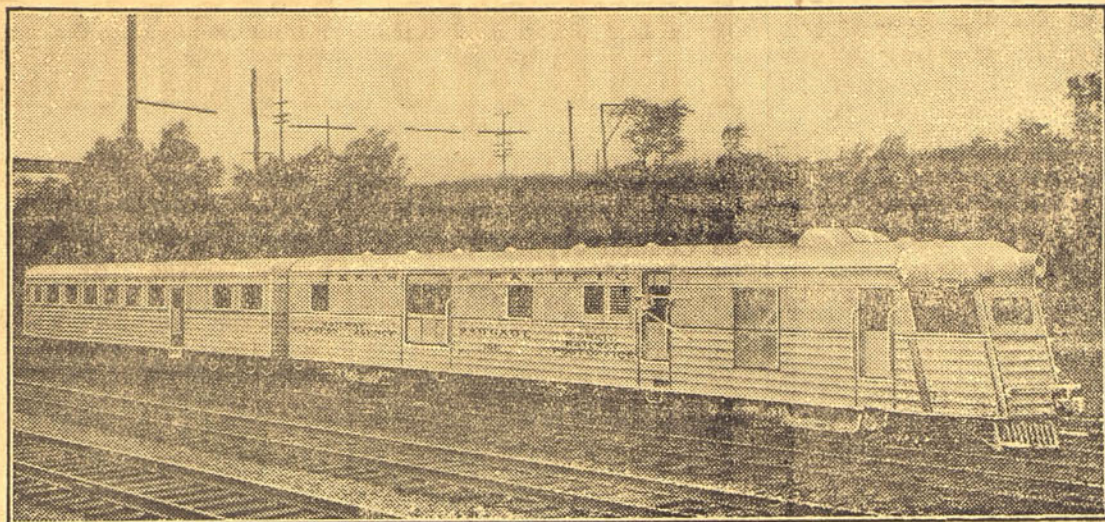
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Other great railroads are planning and discussing somewhat similar improvements in equipment but it has remained for the Texas & Pacific to place the first complete train in actual service. As the T. & P. pioneered in providing air cooled and air conditioned dining and lounge cars for its passengers, so it is now the first

to introduce air conditioned coaches for the comfort of Southwestern travelers.

The new T. & P. train is made up of two units, the forward combination motor, mail, baggage and express car and passenger car trails with accommodations for 76 passengers in three separate compartments. The power plant consists of two 240-horsepower gasoline engines with electric drive and auxiliary generators for the air conditioning, refrigerating and heating apparatus all of which is located in the forward car, leaving the passenger trailer free of all moving mechanism to assure utmost riding comfort and silence.

In keeping with the best traditions in the design of railway equipment, the rear car is finished and furnished even more luxuriously than the best appointed steam trains. Individual seats, deeply upholstered and covered with blue leather harmonize with the two tones of gray used in decorating the walls and ceiling. Electric lights are of indirect design and completely concealed as are the ducts for the air conditioning system.

Entrance to this car is back from the

front end, separating the colored compartment at the front from the white compartment. A smoking and observation compartment is at the rear end

In appearance, the new T. & P. train departs radically from the usual railway train, Mr. Jensen said. Both cars are constructed entirely of "Shotweld" stainless steel and make a striking appearance in their natural bright finish. The rakish nose of the forward car is accentuated by the streamlined roof and fluted metal sides of the cars which suggest the high speed of which the train is capable.

The new T. & P. train is said to surpass in riding comfort anything on rails. While the pneumatic tires on the wheels and the automotive type roller bearings in the axles contribute materially to riding comfort, the body and spring construction and heat and sound insulation also are major factors in providing for the complete riding ease of passengers. Safety features of the train include a quick-acting duplex braking system, complete automatic lighting and signal equipment and automatic power and electric shut-off.

\$15,000 Personal Injury Suit Filed

T. J. Brooks of Eastland county has brought suit in 91st district court at Eastland against Roy Speed for \$15,000 alleged damages for personal injuries.

The plaintiff alleges that on July 7, 1933, whiel he was traveling on the highway between Eastland and

Ranger, a car belonging to him was struck by a car driven by Speed, and that he has been permanently injured and damaged.

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NEW CASES PENDING IN DISTRICT COURT

County Court—E. C. Brand, Banking Commissioner vs. L. E. Edwards, notes; E. F. Bucy et. al. vs. Barney Carter, notes; J. C. May hew vs. Liverpool and London and Globe Ins. Company—Suit on Ins. Policy; Bieson Grantham vs. O. V. Cunningham et. al. notes; W. M. Nabors vs. E. M. Threat, appeal from J. P. No. 1; E. C. Brand, Banking Commissioner vs. J. D. Parsons, suit on notes; E. C. Brand Banking Com'r. vs. Mrs. John Knox, Jr. et. al. Suit on note; T. H. Foley et. al. vs. Traders and General Insurance Company. Appeal from J. P. No. 1.

91st District Court—In re-liquidation First State Bank Carbon, approve expense account from August 1st, 1933 to Sept. 30, 1933; Fannie Douglas vs. R. C. Morris, et. al. To contest a will.

88th District Court—Farm and home Savings and Loan association vs. A. A. Hutton et. al suit on note; Farm and Home Savings and Loan association vs. Tom Harrell, collect note; In re-liquidation vs. Texas State Bank, Eastland, Sell notes to J. F. Hays; In re-liquidation Texas State Bank, Eastland, approve Sept. expense account; In re-liquidation Texas State Bank, Eastland, To sell J. B. Johnson note.

Julian C. Heyer Given Clean Bill Of Health

Julian C. Heyer, prominent Fort Worth attorney, former senator and one time president of the Lion International, has been acquitted of barity charges filed by the Fort Worth Bar association. Heyer is famous for his success in protecting some poor people from the exploits of monopolies, hence, an effort was made py some of the "retainer" attorneys to disbar him from practicing his profession.

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88th Grand Jury Has Final Report

The 88th district court grand jury, empaneled for the September term of that court, in its final report to Judge B. W. Patterson states that it had been in session 8 days during which time it examined 116 witnesses and returned 49 indictments, 48 of which were felonies.

The report stated that by far the greater potriion of the indictments returned were against transients, many of whom were more or less habitual criminals.

The jail was visited and the report shows that the prisoness were satisfied with the treatment they are receiving at the hands of County Jailer E. P. (Pack) Kilborn.

The grand jurors also expressed their appreciation for the co-operation extended them by the sheriff's department and the criminal district attorney's department.—Eastland Telegram.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH SERVICES

"Mortals and Immortals" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Nov-12, including the First Church at Eastland.

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. . . . Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:53, 58).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Baker Eddy: "When false human beliefs learn even a little of their own falsity, they begin to disappear. A knowledge of error and its operations must precede that understanding of Truth which destroys error

until the entire mortal, material error finally disappears, and the eternal verity, man, created by and of Spirit, is understood and recognized as the true likeness of his Maker" (page 252).

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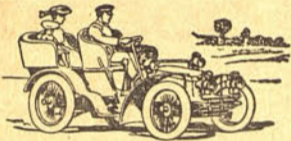
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Dissolution Scranton Consolidated School Desired By Trustees

S. G. Beard, living near Scranton, was transacting business in Cisco Wednesday. He and Tom Lassater, who was also in Cisco Monday, with W. H. Hall, are school trustees of the Scranton consolidated school, and these three are for dissolution of the merged school district. Mr. Lassater stated that efforts have been made to restore the former status of the schools composing the consolidation, but so far the county board has refused to consider their pleas. The consolidation, Lassater said, was without a vote of the other school districts interested.

According to these gentlemen, the county board merged several small schools in the community, which are inadequate to support the consolidated school, thus placing too great a burden on the people to support the consolidated schools. They say they would prefer to send the more advanced students to the Cisco high school where they would have the advantages of an affiliated school, rather than to attempt to maintain a high school at Scranton, which has no affiliation with the colleges and universities of the state.

The Citizen's information on the subject is meagre, but from what has been told me, I am of the opinion that the county board is not giving those people the benefit of self-government of their schools by forcing the other schools to remain in the consolidated district against their wishes.

The Citizen will probably have something further to say on the subject later, when we will try to give the facts, and if possible, both sides of the controversy.

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Passing Of Pioneer Mourned By Many In Death Of Max Elser

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days to reach Shreveport from New York, and the last 110 miles of the trip into Texas was made by stage coach. He was first associated with the Texas & Pacific railway at Marshall, where he was in the office of Gen. Grenville M. Dodge, builder of the Union Pacific railway.

It was in 1874 that Mr. Elser established the first telegraph communication between Fort Worth and other parts of the country. He later built some 1,500 miles of telegraph lines in Louisiana and North and West Texas.

Mr. Elser was one of the original directors of the Fort Worth and Denver City railway, cashier of the old City National bank of Fort Worth and a former alderman and city treasurer.

Mr. Elser's oil interests had their beginning when he traveled about by horse and buggy buying mineral leases in Eastland, Callahan and Shackelford counties. Inexperienced in securing leases, he acquired mineral rights on 45,000 acres without paying the land owners a cent. Regarding their word as their bond, however the land owners stood by their agreements even after they learned that they might have been paid for the leases.

In 1909 Mr. Elser drilled near Putnam, in Callahan county, and the first drilling was recorded in territory now dotted with producing wells. He drilled a dry hole in Shackelford county eight years before the discovery of the Cook pool. He retained his leases, however, when the Cook pool was brought in.

Maximilian Elser was three years old when his father died. Going to work as soon as he was old enough, the boy had very little formal schooling.

His first wife was Miss Inez Harding of New York. Mrs. Hardy is a daughter by Mr. Elser's first marriage. By his second wife, the late Mrs. Lilly Loving Elser of Fort Worth, Mr. Elser had two sons, Frank Ball Elser, author and playwright, and Maximilian Elser, Jr., newspaperman, both of New York.

A member of Queen City Lodge No. 21, Knights of Pythias, Mr. Elser was one of the first members in Texas, and was a former grand chancellor of the state organization.

Survivors, besides the three children, are a brother, Lou Elser, of San Francisco; three granddaughters, and three grandsons.

Fred Robison Is In Favor Cutting Auto License Tax

Waco, Nov. 8.--I would like to second the suggestion of Harry Arons in The News of Sept. 27 for a cut in automobile licenses for 1934 at the hands of the present session of the legislature and trust our Governor will submit the question for consideration.

Also I think the legislature should petition the congress to rescind the 1-1-2 tax on gasoline. It was put on for one year at 1c, yet like most new taxes, instead of being allowed to lapse, as agreed was increased to 1-1-2c and tacked on for another year. It should at least cease at end of the next year.

About the auto licenses for Texas. I believe they should be fixed at \$3 for cars retailing for not over \$1000, and \$5 for all cars over that amount. This would afford some relief for an over-taxed portion of people--the automobile owners and users.

It seems impracticable to reduce the gasoline tax with the transferring of the road bond tax to the auto owners, all other classes of taxpayers, thus giving 1c for bonds, 1c for schools and leaving of only 2c for roads, which, after Uncle Sam ceases his benevolence, will really be required to maintain and build an adequate system of roads in Texas.

A recent nation-wide tabulation shows that in Texas, the auto owners pay about 40 per cent of the total taxes, and the tendency seem to be to place practically all cost of government on the auto owner.

Now no auto owner objects to paying a fair share of taxes, yet the thing can be overdone. Hence I suggest a reduction of auto license fee, which will prove direct relief to every automobile owner in the state.

Rally to Mr. Arons is my appeal to

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