

The Baird Star.

Our Motto; 'TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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NO. 13

Spring Styles in Ladies Suits are Here

We are introducing the newest and smartest models in Suits, Skirts, Waists, Etc. Every day we are receiving new and beautiful creations in outer apparel for Spring--- modes that are new and prettier than those of any recent period. Come and see our new spring goods.

Dry Goods

B. L. BOYDSTUN

THE PLACE WHERE MOST PEOPLE TRADE

Groceries

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTION NOTICE.

Under section No. 143 of the Public School Laws, the trustees of each school district shall appoint three qualified voters of said district to hold the trustee election, who shall receive one dollar each for services, and shall make returns to the board of trustees within five days after election. Said election fees of \$1 each shall be paid out of the General County Fund.

The trustees on ordering election shall give notice of the time and place for the election; shall post said notices at three public places in the district, at least twenty days (20 days) prior to the date for holding said election.

If, at the time of election those appointed to hold said election should not be present or should refuse to hold the election, then those voters present shall elect of their number election officers, three and proceed with the election.

Persons voted upon for trustee, shall be able to read and write the English language and shall have been residents of the school district for six months prior to the election held for trustees.

Within five days after the election the board of trustees shall meet and canvass the returns, declare the result of such election, issue to the persons so elected their commissions as such trustees, and shall notify the county superintendent.

For County School Trustees, same election.

The voters of the following County Commissioner's precincts shall vote for county schools trustees:

Precinct No. 1; Precinct No. 3; Precinct No. 4.

Only voters of Common School Districts are to vote for Co. School trustees.

Election blanks for the above elections will be mailed to boards of trustees, not later than March 5th.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. Settle,
County, Supt.

MRS. J. U. JOHNSON HURT BY EXPLOSION OF ACETYLENE TANK

Word was received by Abilene friends Monday of the wounding of Mrs. J. U. Johnson of Ovalo when an acetylene tank exploded at the Johnson home late Saturday evening.

According to report Mrs. Johnson was in the little shed where the outfit is kept when the explosion occurred. The force of the explosion tore down the shed, blew a 32-pound grindstone through the roof and shook the neighborhood. Mrs. Johnson received injuries to her head and was suffering considerable Monday.

The family is well known here and has many friends who will extend sympathy.—Abilene Reporter.

WILL THRASH GRAIN

I will thrash at my Ranch next Tuesday, March 7th, weather permitting. P. G. Hatchett 13-1t

J. C. Jones and family of Alvarado, who have been visiting relatives in Baird and Admiral for several weeks, left Tuesday for their home. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have many friends here who are always glad to see them.

CIVIC LEAGUE

The Civic League has been urged by quite a number of people to see that the Speed and Stock laws are enforced, but as that is out of our province we appeal to the City Council and beg that they will attend to it at once and not wait until some one is injured or killed before taking any steps in the matter. The reckless driving in and about town is a constant menace to our citizens and should by all means be stopped. The stock roam over town at their own sweet will and as long as they are allowed to do so it is useless to try to have any flowers or shrubbery. We have the necessary Stock, Speed and Sanitary laws, but unless they are enforced we might as well not have them. Other towns enforce such laws, why not Baird? Why should we be behind all other towns her size.

Monday, March 6th is the beginning of "Clean Up" week in Baird. The hot weather is fast approaching and it is of the utmost importance that we should get busy and put our town in good sanitary condition. If our sanitary laws had been strictly enforced, perhaps there would not have been so much sickness in town this winter. Filth breeds disease and, to our shame be it said, every kind of disease germ finds a hearty welcome and a home in Baird. If we all work together and clean up and beautify our town, driving out the germs, perhaps people would be attracted to our midst and Baird would grow and prosper.

Civic League.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Sunday, Feby., 27, 1916.	
Methodist Sunday School.	
Number present	105
Collection	\$3.68
Baptist Sunday School.	
Number present	160
Collection	\$20.00
Presbyterian Sunday School	
Number present	No report.
Collection	\$
Church of Christ Sunday School.	
Number present	54
Collection	\$3.30
Number of Chapters read	1,027
Total Attendance	318
Total Collection	\$26.98

By an oversight we failed to order the plate last week for the International Sunday School Lesson but will try and have them here by next issue.

Lesson for next Sunday: Death of Stephen, Acts 7:54-60. Acts 8:1-3. Golden Text—Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life. Rev. 2:10.

Stephen was the first Christian martyr. Saul, after his conversion called Paul, is first mentioned in this lesson. He became one of the greatest Apostles of the ancient Christian Church.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincerest thanks and most heartfelt appreciation to our numerous friends who gave so many assistances and extended so many kindnesses during our recent misfortunate and bereavement.

Mrs. J. E. Wild and family

CITY ORDINANCE

The following Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Baird, on January, 12, 1916.

Chapter 17, Art 130; Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Baird, that the Mayor, City Treasurer and City Secretary be, and are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate a temporary loan of \$2800.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary in anticipation of the receipt of City taxes revenue applicable for the payment of the debts and expenses of the said City for the current year, said sum being for the purpose of paying the current debts and expenses of the said City of Baird, and the said officers are further authorized and directed to issue certificates of indebtedness of the City for the above mentioned purposes, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$2,800.00, each certificate to be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the City Secretary.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a copy of the Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Baird on January 12, 1916.

T. E. Parks,
13-1t City Secretary.

Rev. W. Y. Switzer is attending a conference of workers of the Methodist Church, South, at Dallas for the "Win One" Campaign in Texas, Oklahoma DR. J. F. Mexico, Bro. Switzer will Physician for appointment next m. and night. See Sample of Mean, Putnam, T.

A PRACTICAL MAN OF FORTY

A Romantic Girl of Twenty

POMEROY was not in the habit of taking very much notice of the girl typists who from time to time took down his letters. Indeed, until the coming of Miss Pansy Clare he had regarded them with little more interest than the typewriters which they operated.

Pomeroy was just forty, and was unmarried. A tall, dignified man, he looked considerably older than his years, for he had known struggle, hardship and privation. It was, indeed, only during the past few years that he had contrived to secure a decent portion of this world's goods, and the idea of marriage had never entered his thoughts.

He took to Pansy from the first. She was different from the other young women. She seemed earnest, sincere and altogether sweet.

He was a man of forty who looked much older—she was just a girl of twenty who looked younger. On the other hand, he would be able to offer her far more in the way of material and worldly comfort than the average man of her acquaintance.

He consulted his friend Allardyce at the club. "Too old!" exclaimed Allardyce; "why, Great Scot man, you are quite a raw youth compared with some happy bridegrooms. Why, I read of a venerable gentleman of eighty-seven who married his cook on her nineteenth birthday."

"Yes, yes," replied Pomeroy, irritably; "but I am not thinking of freak marriages. The question is, Has a man of forty a right to ask a girl of twenty to share his life?"

"You just ask her and see," laughed Allardyce, as he lighted a cigar. "I certainly shouldn't care to bet against it unless I particularly wanted to lose my hard-earned cash. Why, my boy, you are a positive ass. But then, you're a good chap, and it's always the best fellows who think the least of themselves," he added, with a touch of cheap philosophy.

"And you think there is every chance of happiness?"

"My dear chap, it is all a toss-up. Marriage is as uncertain as racing. Heaps of people who make what are called ideal marriages as regards the age question commit suicide or get divorced. You have just as good a chance of things turning out right as anybody else."

"I—I haven't asked her yet," murmured Pomeroy, flushing like a boy.

"Haven't you? Then I should advise you, my dear old chap, to hurry up before somebody else butts in."

In the days that followed, Pomeroy frequently chatted with the pretty typist on matters quite apart from business routine, and he was delighted to see that she responded to his friendliness with great enthusiasm.

So one afternoon he sent her a little note by the office boy. With swiftly-beating heart, he awaited the reply, which ran thus:—

Dear Mr. Pomeroy—Really it is very kind of you to offer to take me to the theater this evening, and I shall be delighted to go. I haven't seen a play for months. I will meet you, as you suggest, outside the Gaiety at 7:45.—P. C.

The theater was a success. Pansy enjoyed everything, and the elaborate box of sweets which Pomeroy purchased from an obliging attendant completed the evening's triumph. He insisted on seeing her home, and in the taxi he took courage in both hands and asked her to marry him.

"I know that I am much older than you," he said, a little nervously, "but I would try and make you happy."

"You—you have done that already," she said, softly. "You have made me so very, very happy by telling me that you wish me to be your wife. Yes, I will marry you, and shall love you as long as I live."

Pomeroy was a changed man. Everybody said that he looked ten years younger. He trod the ground with the step of a boy—his eyes held a marvelous light.

"Getting engaged seems a better rejuvenator than a dozen hair-restorers," observed Allardyce, at the club. "You see, old man, I told you that it would be all right."

But it was not all right. For a few days later something happened which caused Pomeroy to go sick with apprehension.

It happened thus: He had chanced to go unexpectedly to the tiny little room which the girl occupied with her typewriter. As he entered he saw her suddenly snatch from the machine a sheet of paper on which she had been typing, and thrust it into a drawer.

Now, he did not speak of this to Pansy, but it served to make him feel anxious. To whom had she been writing when he entered the room? Why had she looked up with a sudden flush of confusion and then snatched the paper from the typewriter? He was puzzled, wretchedly puzzled, and intensely miserable.

But he said nothing, hoping against hope that there was no real grounds for jealousy.

Yet there was more to come. A few days later, when he again entered the little room to ask her to come out to tea with him, he saw the girl make a sudden clutch at an envelope which obviously contained a letter that was to be hidden from him, for she crumpled it in her hand and kept the hand well under the little table.

"I hope," said Pomeroy, a trifle coldly, "that I am not interrupting you."

The girl looked surprised at his tone. "Why, whatever is the matter, dear?" she cried, as she rose and came towards him: "Are you vexed with me? I believe you have never forgiven me for insisting on remaining at the office till our—our marriage, but I hate being idle, and if you really want me to stay away I will."

"You are mistaken," replied Pomeroy. "So far from wanting you to keep away, it is my greatest pleasure to have you so near to me. Surely you must know that! But the fact is, Pansy, that I—I can't beat about the bush any longer. I meant to speak to you about it a few days ago, but somehow, I suppose, I hadn't the pluck. I want to ask you why you snatched up that envelope when I came in a moment since, and why you did exactly the same thing with a letter which was in the typewriter on another occasion?"

She flushed hotly, and seemed at a loss for speech.

"I am waiting for an explanation," said Pomeroy, miserably. "You won't refuse to give it to me?"

She put her small hands on his shoulders, and looked up at him appealingly.

"Dear," she murmured, "please, please don't ask me."

"But I do ask you, and I want to know. Come, dear, can't you see how wretched I am?"

"I—I don't want to."

She hung her head petulantly.

"You—you shall know some day," she murmured, "after—we are married?"

He tried other persuasion, but she only laughed rather strangely and refused to enlighten him. Too miserable to feel any degree of anger, Pomeroy at length quitted the little room and sought his own.

What did all this mean? he asked himself again and again, with wretched persistence. Was there someone else? Was Pansy marrying him for his position and for his wealth, and was her love given to another—and perhaps a younger man?

Of course, it was possible that there was some other secret—a secret quite unconnected with what he feared. Some relative of Pansy's might be in trouble—financial disgrace, and she would naturally try to conceal the facts from her future husband.

And, after all, he reflected, he had no right to jump at conclusions about the girl. She had always been everything that was kind and sweet; he had not perceived a single sign of wavering affection. It would be wrong, thoroughly wrong, to condemn her off-hand without further evidence.



"For Her Sake," He Murmured, as He Drew His Check Book Toward Him.

But unfortunately for Pomeroy's peace of mind, that evidence was fated to force its way into his life with hideous abruptness one week later. It chanced that Pansy had gone out to lunch when he entered her small sanctum, and he observed on the floor a sheet of crumpled paper. Picking it up, he hastily straightened out the sheet, and then read these words with a horrible sickness at his heart:—

My Own Darling—It cost me a great deal to have to write you this letter, but it is the only way. Jack, dear, I cannot marry you, and I will tell you why. You will think me horrid and mercenary, but it is not for my sake so much as for my mother, who has never known what comfort and money really mean.

For, Jack, I am giving you up to marry someone else. He is a man whom I like and respect, of course, but I can never care for him as I care for you. Ah, darling, if only you could have brought out that invention of yours, and made heaps and heaps of money, how different everything would have been. And to think that you can't do it just because nobody has sufficient belief in you to advance a paltry \$2500. Isn't it a mean, miserable world?

Well, dear, I don't think I ought to write any more, and it is awful to have to write this at all. I cannot ask you to forgive me; I can only ask that you will forget me as soon as you can.

Good-bye, and bless you always.—P.

A groan left Pomeroy's lips. So his first belief had been the right belief after all. Yes, there was someone else.

With heavy steps he returned to his private room, and sat for a long, long time, almost too wretched to think coherently.

"I ought to be kicked," he muttered. "I have

got just what I deserve. Well, let her marry her proper sweetheart, and—and I hope they'll be happy."

In that moment there came to the soul of Pomeroy a very noble impulse. It was the sort of impulse which could only have dawned in the soul of a man of very superb fibre, for few men could have risen above their own selfish emotions at such an hour of humiliation and of sorrow.

Pansy did not love him, he reflected; she loved this other man. This other, if properly aided and encouraged, might win success, and give her the home which she deserved and surround her mother with comforts. Just the trifling sum of \$2500 was needed to bring out an invention, and, by Jove! Claude Pomeroy was the man who was going to furnish that \$2500.

"For her sake," he murmured, as he drew his check book towards him and with resolute firmness determined to shut out all regrets, "for her sake. If I can't make her happy myself, let somebody else do it, and God bless them both!"

Then, with a hand that did not shake, he wrote and signed the check, enclosing it with a letter that ran thus:

My Dear Pansy—I happened to come to your room today after you had gone out, and I am not sorry that I did so, for I picked up by accident a little note which you had evidently drafted and then thrown aside, thinking, perhaps, that you could break your news more gently to the person to whom you were writing. Well, dear, it has all occurred for the best, for I took the liberty of reading those hastily-written words, and so I have learned the truth.

"Of course not. Please sit down. You—you got my letter, I see."

"Yes."

Then Pansy began to laugh. It was not an ordinary laugh at all, but a laugh so amazing, so strange, that for one moment Pomeroy began to think that the girl was on the verge of hysteria, and he contemplated ringing for assistance. But suddenly the laughter died down, and she burst into tears.

"There, there; don't be upset," he said, soothingly, "there's nothing to cry about. Everything will come right."

She came towards him and threw her arms around his neck. Amazed at this action after what had occurred, he was still more amazed when she suddenly took from the envelope his check, and banged it on the table.

"It won't be wanted, thank you all the same," she said, with a little laugh. "And what's more, I am not going to accept my dismissal."

"Pansy!"

The words left his lips like a cry of joy.

"Oh, you silly, silly man!" said the girl, half-laughing, half-crying. "This ought to be a lesson to you not to read letters which are not intended for you. As a matter of fact, you silly, silly boy, it was never intended for any real man at all."

"What!"

"Of course not. I have never known any 'Jack' in all my life except my brother and a red-headed child who squints. But perhaps you'll understand better if you read this letter."

She handed him a typewritten note, which ran thus:

The Editor of "The Bluebell Magazine" has accepted Miss Clare's story, recently submitted, and will be glad to consider further contributions.

"That letter which you picked up," went on the girl, quickly, "was just part of my new story. I was typing it at the office in my spare time, and as I didn't like the wording of it, I crumpled it up and threw it down. And if you don't believe me, here is the complete story, containing the amended letter. Read it and see. The girl's name is Phyllis."

Pomeroy gasped.

"But that sheet of paper you snatched from the machine the other day, that envelope you didn't want me to see?"

"The paper, you dear goose, was part of a tale. The envelope contained that letter from the dear old editor with a check for my last story. The fact is, dear, I wanted to keep all this a surprise for you when—we were married. Now do you understand?"

Yes, he understood now, and he took her in his arms, with a prayer of thanksgiving somewhere in his heart.

"What an idiot I've been," he muttered; "what a wretched idiot!"

"No, you weren't," she said, softly. "You were just the kindest, dearest fellow on earth. And, somehow, I'm not sorry that all this has happened. For it has shown me just what you are made of. It has shown me that you were anxious and willing to assist the man whom you believed I loved. I think that only one man in a million could have written that sweet letter, and it's the man whom I am going to marry, and love."

Equestrian Statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee.

On the battlefield of Gettysburg there will soon be erected another notable addition to the forest of monuments there. Virginia's tribute to her brave sons who fought on that bloody field. It will be surmounted by a superb equestrian statue of General Robert E. Lee, which is now in process of being cast in bronze at the Tiffany studios at Corona, L. I. The monument is the work of F. William Sievers, a native of Virginia and one of the South's most distinguished sculptors.

The Virginia state legislature in 1911 passed a bill authorizing a memorial to Virginia's soldiers to be placed upon the field of Gettysburg. The amount appropriated for its cost was \$50,000, which later was raised to \$60,000. The Virginia memorial commission, consisting of William Hodges Mann, then governor of the state; Colonel Thomas Smith, Colonel William Gordon McCabe, Major E. L. Edmundson and Captain Stephen P. Reid, was appointed to arrange for the designs and erection of a suitable monument. At the commission's invitation no less than forty sculptors, and some of them very prominent ones, submitted designs and models for the proposed memorial.

Mr. Sievers, who at that time had a studio in New York, entered a small model in the competition. It represented General Lee in uniform, sitting bare-headed and alert, but calm and impressive, astride Traveler, his favorite mount. At the base of the pedestal was a group of seven figures, indicating the three types, cavalry, infantry and artillery, which composed the army of northern Virginia.

A Bird Collection.

A young lady whose home is on Grand Isle, La., has been making a collection of the bright-plumaged birds found on the island. The theory is that these birds have been blown out into the gulf during gales, and driven upon the Louisiana shore. A box containing fourteen specimens which were trapped and prepared for mounting by this young lady, revealed, when opened, a most gorgeous spectacle, the colors ranging from the brightest scarlet—a scarlet beside which that of the cardinal or red birds seems quite dull—down to the palest of pinks and blues. Some of the specimens were of the loveliest shade of yellow.

San Angelo had a tree-planting campaign for beautifying residence streets. Shell pecan trees were given preference.

Assayists have reported finding a well-buried gold-bearing seam in the hills near Galveston.

Dimmitt corral to cost \$40,000.

Galveston bath house.

NEW SPRING GOODS AND MILLINERY

See our line of beautiful Spring Hats now on display. Our Spring Footwear also is ready for your inspection. In a short time our entire stock of Spring and Summer goods will be in and we invite you to come in see our line.

WILL D. BOYDSTUN

Dry Goods

Millinery

L. Young, of Edna, was in town Saturday.

W. O. Spencer, of Burnt Branch, attending court here this week.

Miss Eliza Gilliland and Mrs. J. Price spent Monday in Putnam.

want to help you to do your building, see ad. Bowlds. 14.2t

Audre Flores has accepted the position as night clerk at Hotel Mae.

City Marshal, Will Ashton, is reported on the sick list.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls. Friday, March 3, 1916, a boy.

I. P. Scarbrough, of San Angelo, is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Farmer.

Mrs. W. B. Farmer, of Merkel, is the guest of her sons, J. W. and Melvin Farmer.

Royace Gilliland of Abilene spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents at Belle Plaine.

The Baptist folks have had their church repainted and a small room added on the west end.

Mrs. Ed Barker and little son, Robert, of Abilene, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. White.

If your watch, clock or jewelry needs repairing have Walker fix it. With Holmes Drug Co. 31.t

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Walls, of Clyde, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls here Sunday.

My prices and material are right, read my ad, it may help you to build. Bowlds. 14.2t

Miss Evalyne Johnson has returned from Big Springs where she spent a few days with relatives.

Mr. Geo. Baum and children of Burnt Branch are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. I. McWhorter.

Tom Windham and daughter, Miss Winnie, of Oplin, were in town Monday.

Only first class Optical work done by C. E. Walker the Jeweler, Optician, with Holmes Drug Co. 13.tf

C. M. Lindley, of Abilene, Deputy Interstate Live Stock Inspector, came down Saturday to inspect a bunch of horses.

Former sheriff, Felix Rains was in town this week and Felix says the dry weather is not hurting the sandy land farms out his way.

Miss Alice Eastham, of Admiral, is visiting her brother, Oscar Eastham and other relatives here this week.

Have your eyes properly fitted by Walker the Optician at Holmes Drug Co. 13.tf

John Windham, of Oplin, was in town Monday.

Al Irvin and Henry Preston, of Oplin were Baird visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed Hearne, of San Angelo, has been the guest of relatives here for several days.

Larmer Henry and Robert Estes spent a few days at Oplin this week on business for Ed Wristen.

When you buy Garden Flower Seed, get the best, Burbanks at Terrell, The Druggist. 10.tf

Cane Seed for sale by John Hancock, Baird, Texas. 14tf

I have a good Piano to trade for good horses or cows. 12.tf C. B. Holmes, Phone, 11

Mrs. D. H. McGee and children returned Monday from Fort Worth where she has been visiting a few days.

Capt. J. W. Jones and Ernest Blakley were up from Clear Creek Monday. Mrs. Larmer Henry and little son, Billie Jones returned home with them for a few days visit.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walker, of Fort Worth, Sunday, Mar. 5, 1916, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Driskill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Johnson and Miss Bessie Johnson of Fort Worth, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Neubeauer at their ranch home in Belle Plaine.

Mrs. Willie Flores Barnhill entertained the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church Monday evening. After the usual program refreshments were served. A large number of members and guests were present.

TRAVELING AGENT

for Dr. T. M. Sayman's line of Soaps and Toilet Preparations, Peppers and Spices, Flavoring Extracts. Will call on you at your homes.

N. N. Loudermilk, Baird, Rt. 1. 14.2

We call attention to the announcement of J. A. Moore as a candidate for reelection to the office of sheriff which he now holds, first term. Mr. Moore is honest and conscientious in the discharge of his duties and from all we hear we are convinced that he has discharged his duties faithfully and efficiently and deserves the consideration of the voters; to be candid about it, we believe Mr. Moore deserves reelection without opposition, and probably will be.

Attention is called to the announcement of S. E. Settle a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Public Schools. Mr. Settle is serving his first term, and as he has been earnest and faithful in the discharge of his duties, will probably have no opposition this time. No County Superintendent ever took more interest in the Public Schools than Prof. Settle and he deserves the thanks of the patrons of the Public Schools for his untiring efforts to better the conditions of the Public Schools of Callahan County.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper McCoy gave a "Ye Old Time" turkey dinner Sunday at their pretty ranch home on the Pecan Bayou. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Press Morris and Miss Patsie Mary Morris, of Coleman, Judge and Mrs. W. R. Ely and Walter Ely, Claud Flores, Dr. Hill, D. W. Young, Misses Vida Gilliland, Cookie Works, of Baird, A. T. Young, Dick and Dee Young, of Belle Plaine, Mr. Mrs. and Cliff Hill, Lucile Hill, Ernest Hill, Jet McClendon, Clint Blakley and Wil McCoy.



Making Out a Check

makes a man think and thinking often stops him from making out the check. That's how an account at the Home National Bank makes for economy. A man will spend cash twice as readily as he will if he has to draw a check for the amount. Start an account today and keep track of the number of times it saves you from needless spending.

The Home National Bank of Baird

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

C. C. Seale, Pres. Harry Meyer, V. P. H. Ross, V. P.
T. E. Powell Cashier
E. L. Finley M. Barnhill C. C. Seale

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

BURNT BRANCH CULLINGS.

My esteemed friend Will McGowen of Cross Plains, while taking a jaunt on the railroad met an old friend and former school mate of mine, Hon. M. H. Shanklin of grand old Bell County, where we were both reared and as it were, slept and dreamed in the same trunell bed. Nat is a terror in politics, influential in all that is progressive and is prominent in social and religious matters and when he turns his "wolf a loose" the welkin ring. He in conversation with the first mentioned gentleman, remarked: "How is Jim Ferguson running in your part of the state?" "Like a scared wolf, I reckon." Now Nat is strictly anti-Ferguson, together with a lot of the boys of Bell who to wanted to be governor, but Jim beat them to the "lick-log" and knocked all of their ambitions in the head four years at least, then Nat can come like a Texas cyclone and the other boys do the supporting act. But for "Juan," say do you know "Juan" of The Baird Star, that man gifted with more brass than brains? Why certainly said McGowen and he is a Ferguson man first, last and all the time, as well as for Joe Bailey. Well, well, said Nat, "Juan" was always a damed fool anyhow, which accounts for it all. But Nat is smart, wity and wise and may be governor yet.

If we are going to send one man to congress all his-life, why educate any of our young men for political honors. Just because one man does only tolerable well is no reason some young man can or will do as well and often a blamed sight better. Give the young man a chance by voting for Blanton for Congress and retire Smith. See.

Monday was Trades day at Cross Plains which was an event. Much in all lines changed hands in a gallop.

Geo. Scott has the finest looking oats we have seen in these parts, green and growing while others look sickly, but will come with rain.

Squire Duncan has finished the seeding and is now on the break for corn, cotton and feed stuff.

Maj. Payne recently lost a fine mare. The Major is offering his place for \$30.00 per acre. The place is well improved and a bargain. Dug Morrow has returned from the "breezy west."

"Snoring, my dear, is a sign of an easy conscience." "Hubby there are times when I wish you weren't so contented with your past career." Just hit him a jolt in the short ribs and see him jump.

Maj. Rumph, Commander of Cross Plains Camp, says this is not the first experience having commanded a Camp in his former home county, which as a matter of course will make him more available. The "Stars and Bars" were ably represented Saturday. Soon:

"No more on life's parade shall meet And on fames eternal camping ground Their silent tents be opened and glory guard

With solemn round the bivouac of the dead."

One by one they are "crossing the great river to rest 'neath the shade of the trees." Peace to their noble ashes, we will never see their like again.

I tell you the dry is becoming a serious proposition. Small grain can't possibly stand it much longer, and it is nearly planting time for other feed stuff.

It is just about gotten so in this country that when a man is called "Dr." you don't know whether he

is a pill roller, a professor, a preacher or a presumption.—Snap Shots. So with some of our Capts. Col. and Color Bearers in the Confederate army who never had a sword in their hands, let alone a commission.

Among other things the Socialists party in convention, at Dallas, on the liquor question, say: The government to have full charge of the distilleries, and not to be run at a profit to the consumer, but at actual cost, and the government to dispense the aforesaid and the same as it deems best, etc. Cheap booze for all Socialists, Prohibitionists, Democrats, Republicans, and other parties who may invade the face of the earth and then will come the millennium.

Our Ranch boys report grass very good and all stock holding up well considering the dry weather.

A car of hogs westward bound passed for the feed lots in the Oplin country.

Ed Odom is fencing his entire farm and pasture hog proof, in other words what he puts in is there to stay and not be preambulating the lanes and highways.

We learn that the Victoria school will close next week, after a successful term.

A cow buyer with us from away down in the Pioneer country.

Callan says: "T. R. is for anybody to beat Wilson." But the devil of it is he's the only man for the job.

Condolences to my old friend Frank Russell who was injured by a fall, but glad indeed it was not serious.

Big fire raging north, heard it was in Hon. Dick Cordwens' pasture. Reports vary, some say he was burning off, and others say it was accidental. The pastures contain several thousand acres of grass.

We learn that Mrs. Warren is slowly improving.

The school teachers seem to be strictly on the debate, "Preparedness etc. Good year to spout and when they get through we will know all about it.

Gardening some, but it seems to me awful dry and cold.

Our Rural man "Slim Jim" visited Baird and Abilene this week.

The Review man passed northward bound, Monday.

Cris Parsons was out Saturday looking after his hog interests in these parts. He has a car of fat stuff he will ship from Baird and about two cars he will feed at Cross Plains.

After this I may come as an occasional in a religious or political way, but not as a regular. I am getting old and cranky to a finish and there are lots of the younger element who are anxious for notoriety and for ability they lay me in the shade, so for the present adue, with God's richest blessings on you all. "Juan."

Look here "Juan," we are going to expect to receive your "Cullings from Burnt Branch" every week, not just occasionally.—Star Force.

COTTONWOOD LOCALS.

Mar. 7th.—Well, Uncle Billie, this Uncle Jimmie is about run out of "soap" and have become conspicuous by our absence. But it is an "ill wind that blows nobody good" The readers of The Star have been getting a rest to say the least of it.

Some changes of minor importance have taken place in our town of late, for instance: Mr. Warren Everett has moved into the nouse with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Pate. Mrs. Randolph, Mrs. Pate's youngest

daughter, who with her husband have been living with her, moved out to the farm leaving Mrs. Pate and her aged sister alone, making life a little dull and Mr. Everett moved in with them to add life and sunshine. There is none more capable of doing so than Warren.

Mrs. W. P. Gattis has moved to the home vacated by Mr. Everett.

Hollis Faulkenbury has moved to the old home of Mrs. Etta Ellis, recently occupied by Dr. Payne.

Mr. H. S. Varner is doing a "land office business" with his cream station here every Saturday. He handles a large lot of cream, eggs and poultry.

We can begin to perceive an increase in the political fever of our community, with now and then a candidate feeling the political pulse of the general public.

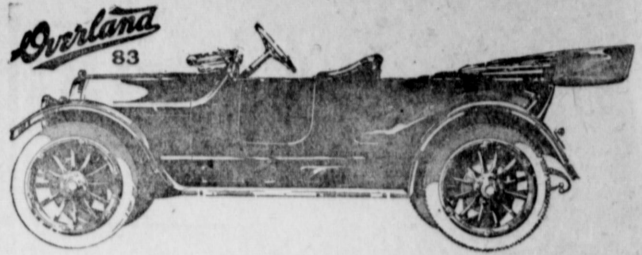
Last week was a week of fires in our country. Thursday morning last the residence of Mrs. D. A. Eudaley occupied by Clyde Slaughter was totally destroyed by fire and all of Mr. Slaughter's effects were burned. Friday evening following Mrs. J. C. Nordyke's barn with all the feed of her son-in-law and a sow and pigs were burned, and the next day Saturday the barn on the farm where Harry Coppinger lives was burned with all his feed. There is no clue to the origin of these fires, only mere conjecture. Some attribute the trouble to the rats. Rats! did you say? Why the houses, the barns, fields and roads are infested with these pesky vermin. Say, "Juan" have you any rats?

Well we have been engaged in assessing the value of the wealth held in store by the sovereigns of our Independent School District and we find everything in "apple pie" order, only we are at a loss to know how the people will gather their crops for there is not two per cent of the farmers in the district who have wagons worth paying taxes on. All gone to "staves." Would suggest that some dealer put in a car load of wagons and buggies at Cottonwood. The buggies are all out of commission too, but then we have most of our vehicle funds invested in automobiles. See.

We have no automobile of our very own but we "rid" in one a whole mile the other day.

We have been having the finest weather until Monday when March opened fire on us and real estate was moving with a vengeance. Today we have plenty of sunshine and less wind; can't say what the afternoon has in store for us.

Uncle Tom Norrell, who has been having some improvements made on his property in Cross Plains and who has been superintending the same, says they had everything in the air there Monday save money,



ALL OVERLAND CARS

now in stock—Models 75-83, 84, and 86. We respectfully request that you call and see the splendid line of automobiles built by the Willys-Overland Company. The price of Model 83 has been reduced \$55.00, making a delivery price of \$770.00. The Knight Model 84 has been increased to \$1,200.00 delivered. See the cars, they will stand rigid inspection.

JNO. W. ROBBINS, Clyde, Texas

and we suppose they had real estate which is equivalent to money.

The B. Y. P. U's., and perhaps more letters of the alphabet, met with the Baptist Church at Cottonwood Sunday afternoon, and quite a lot of the Baird talent displayed their eloquence to this benighted portion of the moral vinyard. Come again, we will gladly welcome you.

We think it unnecessary to continue this preamble, or jangle rather as it is neither amusing, entertaining, or edifying so we just "getta" keno. "Uncle Jimmie."

ADMIRAL NEWS.

March, 6th.—We are having some hot and dry weather and rain is badly needed. Most everybody is building tanks so when it rains they will have plenty of water, that is what we need, more tanks and better ones.

J. C. Jones and family returned to their home at Alvorado last week after a months stay with homefolks. They visited Baird and Abilene while here.

Olin Jones and wife was with homefolks for a few days last week.

Mrs. George Black has been on the sick list the past week, but is better, which we are glad to note.

Ralph Harris is moving his stock of goods to Potosi. We learn he is going to run business there.

Erwin and Joe Jones were Rowden visitors Sunday.

We learn Mr. Satterwhite is going to move to Roaring Springs soon. We regret very much that they are going to move.

Ernest Higgins and the Misses Justice called on Monroe Walker and wife Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Bob Berry was at home with her mother last week.

Mr. Gary and wife were the guests of Mrs. Gary's mother, Sunday.

Ed Davis and Ralph Harris went to Potosi yesterday.

Miss Eunice Sanders has been visiting in Baird and Abilene for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Joe Higgins is sick, hope she will soon be out again.

Mr. W. K. Wright is spending a few days out west with his son, John Wright.

Mrs. Belle Summers, of Mineral Wells is very low, she underwent an operation over a week ago. Her three children came in last week to stay with their grand-mother, Mrs. Dawkins. We will be glad to learn of her gaining her health.

Mrs. Ralph Harris and children are spending a few days with Mrs. Harris' parents before they leave for their new home at Potosi. We wish them well in their new home.

We understand Bob Black has bought the Harris buildings.

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These goods are for cash only, absolutely nothing charged to no one, no matter who it might be. It is not our will to do this, it is because we are forced to do it

100 lbs Queen Quality Flour	\$3.35	10 lbs Green Velva Syrup	67c	5 lbs Ar buckle Coffee	95c	12 2lb Cans Kraut	58c
One sack " " "	1.70	5 lbs " " "	35c	1 lb " " "	20c	1 " " " "	5c
100 lbs Hereford Flour	3.15	10 lbs Red Velva Syrup	58c	7 lbs Good Bulk Coffee	98c	12 3lb Cans Hominy	98c
One sack " " "	1.60	5 lbs " " "	30c	1 lb " " "	15c	1 " " " "	9c
35 lb Sack Good Meal	72c	35c Can Maple Syrup	25c	5 lbs Good P. B. Coffee	97c	12 Cans Wild Rose Corn	97c
17 1-2 lbs " " "	38c	50c " " "	38c	1 lb " " "	20c	12 Cans Campbell Pork & Beans	1.10
100 lbs Corn Chops	1.55	90c " " "	78c	1 lb Thick Tinsley Tobacco	55c	12 Cans Wild Rose Peas	1.15
100 lbs Wheat Bran	1.22	10 lb. Bucket Silver Leaf Lard	1.38	1 lb W. N. T. Tinsley Tobacco	55c	1 Can Wild Rose Peas	10c
100 lbs Maize Chops	1.20	5 lb. " " " "	70c	1 lb Star Tobacco	44c	12 Cans Empson Cut Beans	1.15
10 lbs bucket Mary Jane Syrup	38c	10 lb. Bucket Jewel Compound	1.20	1 lb Brown Mule Tobacco	34c	1 " " " "	10c
5 lbs " " " "	20c	5 lb. " " " "	60c	1 lb Peachey Plug Tobacco	43c	1 " " " "	10c
10 lbs Red Karo Syrup	43c	10 lb. Bucket Cottolene	1.47	12 Cans P. A. Tobacco	99c	One 75c Can Golden Gate Tea	58c
5 lbs " " " "	25c	2 1.2 lbs Golden Gate Coffee	93c	3 Cans " " "	25c	One 40c " " "	33c
10 lbs Blue Karo Syrup	37c	1 lb " " "	38c	5 Cans Baking Powder	95c	1 lb Bakers Chocolate	39c
5 lbs " " " "	20c	3 lbs Latona Coffee	83c	1 Can " " "	20c	35c Pkg. Swan Down Cake Flour	25c
10 lbs Lassies	35c	1 lb " " "	29c	12 3lb Cans Kraut	98c	15c Pkg. Aunt Jemima's Pan Cake Flour	10c
10 lbs Wild Rose Syrup	38c	9 lbs Good Rio Green Coffee	99c	1 " " " "	9c		

Everything that is in the Grocery line that is not listed here will be sold at reduced price. Read the price list over and compare them with your mail order house. Trade with us and keep your money at home. We pay taxes. We help build your schools and churches. We help build your good roads. We are in for anything that is up-building to our home town and the mail order house only wants your money and you are helpless without your home merchant. Yours for Good Service and a Helping Hand.

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Many sick and tired women, with aches and pains, sore muscles and stiff joints, do not know that their troubles are out of order. Mrs. A. Wells, Box 90, Route 5, Rocky Mount, N. C., writes: "I am taking Foley Kidney Pills and cannot praise them enough for the wonderful relief I derived in such a short time."
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SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTION NOTICE.

Under section No. 143 of the Public School Laws, the trustees of each school district shall appoint three qualified voters of said district to hold the trustee election, who shall receive one dollar each for services, and shall make returns to the board of trustees within five days after election. Said election fees of \$1 each shall be paid out of the General County Fund.

The trustees on ordering election shall give notice of the time and place for the election; shall post said notices at three public places in the district, at least twenty days (20 days) prior to the date for holding said election.

If, at the time of election those appointed to hold said election should not be present or should refuse to hold the election, then those voters present shall elect of their number election officers, -three- and proceed with the election.

Persons voted upon for trustee, shall be able to read and write the English language and shall have been residents of the school district for six months prior to the election held for trustees.

Within five days after the election the board of trustees shall meet and canvass the returns, declare the result of such election, issue to the persons so elected their commissions as such trustees, and shall notify the county superintendent.

For County School Trustees, same election.

The voters of the following County Commissioner's precincts shall vote for county school trustees: Precinct No. 1; Precinct No. 3; Precinct No. 4.

Only voters of Common School Districts are to vote for Co. School trustees.
Election blanks for the above

elections will be mailed to boards of trustees, not later than March 5th. Respectfully submitted,
S. E. Settle,
County, Supt.

CHANGEABLE WEATHER BRINGS SICKNESS.

The changeable weather of March causes coughs, colds, croup and gripp. There is no such thing as a "light cold"—none that a person can safely neglect. Foley's Honey and Tar is a safe and reliable family medicine that heals inflamed, congested air passages, stops coughs and eases breathing.

CALL FOR NA ORANGE DAY.

Saturday, March, 18th, has been designated as "California Orange Day" and will be celebrated throughout the country by the hotels, restaurants, railroad dining cars and dining stations, boarding houses, housewives, etc., as well as by all lovers of this justly famed product. It is planned to have every individual in the land eat at least one orange that day, and to have California oranges served in a thousand and one appetizing ways.

OUT OF THE RACE

When one wakes with stiff back, pains in muscles, aches in joints, or rheumatic twings, he cannot do his best. If you feel out of the race, tired, languid, or have symptoms of kidney trouble, act promptly. Foley Kidney Pills help the kidneys get rid of poisonous waste matter that causes trouble.

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German Pension System.
In reply to inquiries and to correct misapprehensions about the relief extended by the German government to the relatives of soldiers killed in the war, the North German Gazette of November 5 gives exact details concerning this relief.

The rate depends first on the rank of those killed. The widow of a private soldier receives yearly an average of 400 marks (\$100), the widow of a noncommissioned officer 500 marks (\$125), or a sergeant 600 marks (\$150).

Each child of a private or noncommissioned officer whose father is killed in the war receives 168 marks (\$42) a year on an average, and each child left an orphan receives 240 marks (\$60). In cases where, pursuant to military law for relief of soldiers' families, the regular relief is extended at a reduced rate per child on account of there being several children in a family, the difference may be offset by special relief donations.

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"Neal of the Navy" featuring Lillian Lorraine and William Courtleigh, Jr. beginning Tuesday, April 4th, at the Royal Theatre.

Around 5,000 fine birds are expected to be on hand for the fourth annual exhibition of the Fort Worth Poultry and Pigeon association. This event is generally recognized as the finest of its kind in the Southwest and about 4,000 birds were here at the last show. A comprehensive premium list has been issued and many entries already have been received.

JOB PRINTING

The Star Job Office is prepared to do Commercial Printing of all kind: Letter Heads, Envelopes, Bill Heads, Statements, Checks, Receipts, Notes, Deeds, Mortgages, Visiting Cards, Candidates Cards, Wedding Stationery. Prompt and careful attention given all orders. I sincerely appreciate the patronage given me in the past and respectfully solicit your future patronage.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFLY NOTED

MATTERS THAT PERTAIN TO THE LONE STAR STATE NARRATED.

PARAGRAPHS THAT INTEREST.

Events That Have Become Realities Told in Type and Others Soon to Come to Pass Will Be Found in a Compressed Form.

More hogs will be raised this year. Peach trees are in bloom in Longview section.

Faulty plumbing is blamed for the gas explosion at Mexia.

An investigation is being made of the mineral resources of Llano county.

A movement is on foot at Paris to organize a national guard company.

Kansas City Life Insurance company paid into state treasury \$11,000 occupation tax.

Gin at Denton of Taylor Bros. was burned. Loss is \$7,000; \$3,000 insurance was carried.

More garden seed is being sold at Longview than at any other period in the city's history.

Rev. M. T. Andrews of Hillsboro has declined a call to the First Baptist church of Denton.

Rev. A. F. Cunningham of Temple has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian church of San Angelo.

Somerville the past three years has had a perfect fire record, not a dollar's loss having been sustained.

Hill County Good Roads association was organized at Hillsboro. It is a unit of the National Good Roads association.

John W. Robbins of Travis county, former state treasurer, is a candidate for railroad commissioner against Allison Mayfield.

Bob Matthews, a witness before the Denton county grand jury, refused to answer questions. Ordered to jail he changed his mind.

Wind demolished Sam P. Loving's barn at Mount Vernon and blew down several small dwellings. Doc Sowell's residence was unroofed.

Taxpayers of Denton have petitioned the city fathers to pave North Elm and West Hickory streets, property owners to pay two-thirds.

The Carolina house, erected sixty-two years ago and the oldest house in Tyler, is being torn down to give way to a modern brick garage.

H. J. Chamberlain, who donated a considerable amount to the church and educational work at San Angelo, aged eighty.

Mayor Lindsley is expected to plant a rose-planting day on March 6. School children are to do the major portion of the work.

The Producers' Union is well organized. Mrs. H. H. Hirtia, member of a rich

at Palestine has attracted several representatives of large companies to the city. Some leases have been made.

Dabney White of Tyler has issued a call for the Texas ginners to meet at Dallas April 20. It is said effort will be made to repeal the permanent warehouse law.

The transport Kilpatrick sailed for Panama from Galveston with the first squadron of the Twelfth cavalry, recently ordered to the canal zone from the border.

Frame barn at Plano of George W. Bowman burned, together with 500 bushels of corn and other feedstuffs, a calf and some hogs. Loss is \$1,500; no insurance.

The Chalmers Motor Sales company of Wilmington, Del., capital stock \$100,000 and Texas headquarters Dallas, has been granted a permit to do business in the state.

Roland M. Simmons of Dallas, long assistant state manager for a life insurance company, then a newspaper man and finally a traveling salesman, died suddenly at El Paso.

Three young Mexicans attempted to lasso a young lady schoolteacher in Hidalgo county. One was arrested and barely escaped lynching.

Former State Comptroller J. W. Stephens, who nearly two months ago was stricken with paralysis while at his desk in the comptroller's office, has recovered and resumed his duties.

The annual report of the Houston Electric company shows a shrinkage in gross earnings of \$396,192 and \$46,000 in net earnings. A statement attached attributes this decrease to jitters.

After six trials Mrs. Agnes Orner was refused by the court of criminal appeals a new trial. She was convicted at El Paso for poisoning, it is alleged, Lillie, her daughter, and given life sentence.

Police Judge Murphy of Dallas tried eighteen cases in ten minutes. Two speeders were fined \$20 each, three men charged with gambling fined \$10 each and a woman fined \$5 for failing to pay hack hire. Remainder were minor charges.

Allison Mayfield, chairman of the railroad commission, has asked to have his name placed on the Democratic official ballot for the primary in July for renomination.

L. W. Collins of Sherman owned a four-footed silver-laced Wyandotte chicken that lived only a few hours. All the feet and legs were of the same size and all were used in walking.

Bob Stroud has brought in a four-inch dry gas well on the Stroud lease, northwest of Groesbeck. It was brought in at 600 feet and has an estimated daily flow of 10,000,000 cubic feet of gas.

Mrs. Josie Browning, Miss Connie Browning and Mrs. Carlotta Murray, all of Ardmore, Okla., pleaded guilty in county court at Gainesville to shoplifting and were fined \$112.50, which they paid.

N. H. Hirtia, member of a rich

Chihuahua family, was found dead at his home in Castle Heights, an El Paso suburb, with his throat cut from ear to ear and his head in a pool of blood. Suicide was the verdict.

Sam G. Gary has been appointed by the Denton city commission to fill out the three months' unexpired term of Mayor W. L. Foreman, who resigned to become state agent of an eastern fire insurance company.

Charles B. Smith, tax assessor of Dallam county, died in a Dalhart hospital. He was serving his first term. Mr. Smith is survived by his widow and his parents, the latter residents of Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Freight revenues of the railways in operation in Texas increased \$2,986,827, or 7.78 per cent, during the six months ending Dec. 31, 1915, according to a compilation made by the Texas railroad commission.

Texas' first goat experimental station will be located by Professors Jones and Youngblood of the agricultural and mechanical college and J. E. Boog-Scott of Coleman near Juno, between Del Rio and Sonora.

Albert Borders, a negro, was fined \$100 in Ellis county court at Waxahachie on charge of failing to obey quarantine regulations. He had smallpox and is alleged to have failed to obey the health officer's instructions.

A meeting will be held March 6 at Sweetwater to take steps toward securing a branch of the agricultural and mechanical college for west Texas. It is stated that every commercial club west of the one hundredth meridian is pledged to this end.

H. D. Hanks, a road contractor, on road work out of McKinney, was badly injured by an unexpected heavy blast. He was blown several feet in the air. Henry Taylor was also hurt and Will Burleson, a negro, was bruised and may lose an eye.

W. N. Mott, seventy years old, a federal soldier during the civil war, was induced by R. H. Turner, a Confederate soldier, to connect himself with a Dallas Baptist church. Mr. Mott said he had given little thought to religion until he met Mr. Turner.

The annual convention of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas will be held at Dallas March 13, 14 and 15. Hon. William Jennings Bryan and former Congressman R. P. Hobson are among the speakers. Plans for a statewide prohibition campaign may come up.

The trouble between Texarkana and the Texarkana Water corporation and three years existing has been settled. A substantial rate reduction has been effected and \$30,000 is to be expended on main extensions and also other improvements.

M. Banta, who died at Electra, in Wichita county, left 261 acres to that county for a county orphanage. The will provides that no negro, Mexican, Russian or Italian children shall be admitted, the institution only being intended for dependent orphans born in Wichita county.

Allan Cleveland of Baltimore went to Sherman to reopen the famous Tom Bean case. He says he has the family record from the time Tom Bean was two years old. The estate is worth about \$2,500,000 and the claimants reside at Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia.

At his home in Brownwood former State Senator Arch Grinnan suddenly expired. He was forty-nine years of age and leaves a widow, one child and six sisters. Mr. Grinnan was born in Culpepper county, Va., March 6, 1868, and his parents moved to Texas the next year. He served four terms in the senate.

Wilmer Pitts, three years old, while in a wagon with his father, Rufe Pitts, and little sister on a road near Mexia, was thrown out when the team ran away and so badly hurt death resulted in a few hours. Mr. Pitts was also thrown out and severely injured. The little girl escaped unhurt.

At the request of State Health Officer Collins rangers have been sent to Laredo to assist Health Officer Hall at that point in enforcing health laws and regulations. Mexican refugees are arriving without first undergoing inspection, it is said. Many cases of typhus fever have been brought across the border by the Mexicans.

Commissioner of Agriculture Fred W. Davis, in his annual report, filed with the governor, recommends that the legislature abolish the present system of gathering and publishing cotton statistics, and, at the same time, by amendment to the law, provide for the gathering of all agricultural statistics through county tax assessors, so that full and accurate information can be obtained.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

NOTICE.

Estate of Laura E. Miller, Deceased.

W. H. Norred, Administrator. In County Court, Callahan County, Texas, March Term. A. D. 1916.

Notice is hereby given that I, administrator of the estate of Laura E. Miller, deceased, will, on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1916, being the first Tuesday of said month, at Baird in the County of Callahan, State of Texas, at the Court House in said town, sell at public auction to the highest bidder the following described tracts or parcels of land belonging to said estate, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: The south-west quarter of survey No. 28, B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. land, certificate No. 538, Abstract No. 1811, containing 160 acres of land situated in Callahan County, Texas.

SECOND TRACT: Being 72 acres out of N. W. quarters of survey No. 27 B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. land. Beginning at the N. W. corner of said survey No. 27. Thence East 400 yards to stake. Thence South one half mile. Thence West 400 yards. Thence North one half mile to the place of beginning, situated in Callahan County, Texas, said land to be sold for cash.

Witness my hand this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1916.

W. H. Norred,
Administrator of the estate of
Laura E. Miller, Deceased. 14-4t

\$50.00 REWARD.

I will pay fifty dollars reward for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who broke the lock on my garage and stole my auto out Friday night, March 3, 1916.
14-1tp J. L. White,

COW STRAYED.

One pale red or yellow cow, with some white spots on head, about 5 years old, branded L on right hip. Last heard of, in the Baird and Cottonwood lane near Clark Smiths.
L. D. Harwell,
Putnam Texas.

14-1t

EASTERN STAR.

Callahan Chapter No. 242, O. E. S. will meet in regular session Tuesday night March 14, at 7:30. all officers and members are requested to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Miss John Gilliland, W. M.
Mrs. Nora Percy, Secy.

Have your watch and jewelry work done by expert jeweler. All work guaranteed at, Terrell's, The Druggist. 10-1f

Mrs. Martha Gilliland and daughter, Miss Vida, visited relatives in Abilene this week.

See Tidwell Bros. new ad. They are making low prices on groceries for cash, see list in ad.

Frank Parker is building a nice residence just north of his residence in North Baird. The house will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Prescott, parents of Mrs. Parker.

The Court of Criminal Appeals reversed and remanded the Will Odell case, Wednesday. Odell was convicted of criminal assault and given four years at the last term of District Court, in this County.

H. Schwartz is making considerable improvement in his dry goods store. The entire front of the south part of the building is being made into a plateglass show window. Additional windows will be put in above the show window, which will give plenty of light in the building.

Two railroad men, Will Robinson, an engineer and Purcell, a conductor on the east end, had a fight at the depot Tuesday morning, in which Robinson was cut with a knife, but is reported not seriously hurt. The men are old friends and have worked together for years. We understand the parties had a dispute over the construction of a train order and ended in a fight.

Wednesday night some of the young men of our city had quite a time. They invited a number of friends up to partake of some refreshments, but the 16 gallon keg turned out to be filled with water. One guest remarked that it was mighty white beer but he guessed it was all right so he went on the water wagon.

U. S. TROOPS AND VILLA FIGHTING.

About 800 troops under Francisco Villa attacked Columbus, New Mexico yesterday and a battle ensued between the U. S. troops stationed there only a few in number. The Americans drove the Mexicans out oftown and chased them into Mexico. Eleven citizens and 7 U. S. soldiers and forty of the raiders were killed in the street fighting. Columbus is near the border west of El Paso. This outrage has aroused congress and some drastic measures in regard to Mexico may be adopted. "Watchful waiting" is bearing bloody fruit.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Program for Sunday, March 12 at 6:30 p. m. at the Presbyterian Church.

Topic, The Causes of Failure in Life. Prov. 10:1-32.

Leader, Miss Werdna Dinwiddie.

Song, Prayer, Reading and Talks

1. Timidity, Exod 3:10-14—Mrs. Baugh.

2. Self-Confidence, Josh. 7:1-5—Miss Eva Reed.

3. Selfishness, Hag. 1:1-11—Mrs. Franklin, Song.

4. Materialism, Luke, 16:1-13—Miss Hellen Walker.

5. Dishonesty, Jas. 5:1-8—Mrs. E. C. Fulton.

6. Drunkenness, 1 Kings 20:13-21—Miss Ruth Peebles.

Song, Benediction.

Some one stole Jim White's auto out last Friday night supposedly for a joy ride, and landed it in a ditch in the west part of town where it was found next day. The car was damaged to some extent. Mr. White and family did not know the car had been taken until in the afternoon, when some one phoned them that it was out in the streets, when they thought it was locked up safely in the garage. Jim offers \$50.00 reward for the conviction of these who took the car out. To get car they had to break the lock on the garage. Somebody will get in bad about these joy rides if they don't stop it.

Lem Lambert was in from his farm near Tecumseh, Thursday.

News was received by phone that Dave Windham had died at his home near Byrd's Store, Brown County at 10 o'clock last night and will be buried this evening. Dave Windham was the eldest son of Sam R. Windham, of Brown County, and a nephew of H. and Tom Windham, Mrs. J. W. Jones and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland all of this county. The deceased was operated on for appendicitis a few days ago. He was 43 years old and leaves a family. We tender our sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives. H. and Tom Windham and Capt. J. W. Jones left this morning to attend the funeral.

Dr. H. A. Bourland was knocked down by an auto in Dallas Wednesday night and severely injured. Mrs. H. W. Ross, of Baird, daughter of Dr. Bourland, left on the train yesterday for Dallas. Bourland is well known in this county where he has often visited his father and often preached in the Methodist Church here. Dr. Bourland is 78 years old. He retired from ministry ten years ago.

Mrs. Ira Pratt, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and J. L. White, left last week for home at Big Springs. Mrs. Pratt accompanied her home on a short visit.

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Patron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui, for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

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EVENT.

OPENS ON MARCH 13

Diversity of Entertainment is
Provided for Crowds That
Are Expected—Mystery
For the Scribes.

Preparations are practically complete for the twentieth annual National Feeders and Breeders show, which will be held at Fort Worth, March 13-18. During the past few weeks, entries in great number have been received from all over Texas and adjoining states for the events of the day show and the management is confident that the greatest exhibition in the history of the event will be staged. Reports from all over Texas indicate also that vast hosts of people are preparing to visit Fort Worth during its great annual gala event.

There is no doubt now but that a finer and larger array of stock will be on hand in the vast exhibit hall in the rear of the Coliseum building. The breeders of the Southwest have been co-operating with the management of the show more heartily than ever before. The Big Round-Up, a western pageant under the direction of Miller Bros., of Bliss, Okla., promises to be an entertainment thrilling and attractive and one that will draw larger crowds than ever attended the night events of the show in the past. It supplants in a large measure the night Horse Show.

Local and foreign merchants have been busy for several days preparing their splendid exhibits in the industrial halls on either side of the Coliseum building and it is expected that his display will be the best ever held, both in number and quality of exhibits. Vast displays of silos and farm implements will be made on the show grounds.

Arrangements are complete for the round of amusements that serve as a sauce to the exhibition of livestock and the competition of fine horses. The big carnival company, signed weeks ago, will be ready to greet the crowds Saturday morning, March 11. Entries have been received for the sporting carnival, which will be held in the arena of the Coliseum, and this now bids fair to draw thousands of devotees of basket ball and kindred games. A number of pleasing events will be held in the Coliseum during lulls between the judging of the fine stock.

The Fort Worth committee of newspaper men announce that their plans for the Press Day entertainment of March 13 are now complete but they will not divulge them now, preferring to surprise their brothers of the craft.

The native division of the stock show will overflow, according to all of the information received by the management. However, ample provisions will be made to handle all entries by opening day. There is no doubt but that visitors to the show will see a much larger number of cattle from clean territory than in the past. This is due to the big tick eradication campaign that has been conducted in Texas during the past year and a half.

With the largest entry list of

history, the Fort Worth Poultry and Pigeon association is prepared to open its fourth annual exhibition at the same time of the stock show. This exhibition is held in the poultry hall, adjoining the Coliseum, and it is anticipated that 5,000 birds will be on hand by the opening day.

Content in the realization that it has done all that can be done, the management now confidently looks forward to the greatest attendance that the stock show has ever known.

WESTERLY AND HIS PAL

By VANE THOMPSON.

Westerly slept.

A step sounded on the path and a girl lithe and brown and gypsy-looking, paused to gaze down at him.

She was still regarding the sleeper with speculative interest when two men stepped quickly out of the thicket.

One of them caught the girl's shoulder in a rough grasp. The other covered Westerly with a gun and kicked him into wakefulness.

"Caught you, haven't we?" jeered one of them.

There was a flash of silver stars beneath coat lapels and one of the detectives condescended to explain the situation.

"To begin with, Wickes," he said coolly, "of course you know what we're after."

"My name isn't Wickes," returned the other calmly.

"Oh, well, of course you'll deny it! Call yourself John Doe if you want to—and your pal here, call herself Jane Doe, if she likes it better."

"Pal!" echoed the man and girl in unison. "Why, we are strangers!"

"Can it!" said the detective with a rude laugh. "I've got your descriptions here somewhere. You're wanted for the Redman jewel robbery."

The girl uttered a sharp cry and then was silent.

Westerly laughed outright, but he watched the girl with curious eyes.

"Oh, you come along. You can talk it over at headquarters." And Westerly and the girl were hurried to a waiting motor car and whirled cityward.

Westerly watched the girl with growing curiosity. She did not look like a criminal, although the detectives insisted upon calling her French Mary. She sat close lipped with an air of aloofness that puzzled her companions.

As Westerly studied her profile he noted that underneath the golden tan was a clear white skin, her features were regular, the contour of her face exquisitely dainty. Her hair was a misty black cloud beneath an ancient panama hat. Her skirt and blouse of tan linen were muddy and stained, and her little brown hands were scratched and soiled. On one finger blazed a superb emerald.

Westerly's eyes widened. The story of the Redman emerald had appeared in every newspaper, together with the list of missing jewels. And this girl was wearing it openly, brazenly.

One of the detectives laughed harshly and touched the ring.

The girl drew her hand away with a haughty gesture.

"Please do not touch me again," she requested.

"What fine airs!" sneered the discomfited official. "And what jewels might you be wearing Mr. John Doe?" He turned to Westerly.

"I'll show you when we face the chief," said Westerly grimly.

The girl turned and looked at him curiously. Perhaps she studied his clean-cut face with its close-lipped mouth and quiet gray eyes too long, for when Westerly encountered her gaze she blushed hotly and turned away.

They reached headquarters and soon faced the chief's keen scrutiny.

"What the dickens, men," he began, and then became watchfully silent.

"Slippery Wickes and his pal, French Mary—wanted for the Redman robbery," announced the detective promptly.

"Yep—caught with the goods on. Show the chief your emerald, my lady!"

The girl laid her little soiled hand on the chief's big one.

"Is this the Redman emerald?" she coolly said. "I've worn it for years. It belongs to me!"

"Go on," he said to her, "tell me who you are and how you happened to be caught?"

The girl laughed musically. "Why, I am Cynthia Redman," she said. "I knew this man must be innocent of the robbery, for this afternoon my father's coachman made a full confession of the crime and restored the stolen property."

The crestfallen detectives looked

upon Westerly as a remaining prop to their official dignity.

"Shall we run this fellow in?" one asked.

"Oh, run yourselves in for a pair of mumskulls!" snapped the chief. "Can't you recognize one of your own police commissioners?"

"Westerly, at your service," grinned the dusty man. "I was trying to find the Redman place—wanted to do a little sleuthing myself."

As the chief went out with the two detectives Westerly faced the girl.

"Thank you for trying to help me," he said sincerely.

"And thank you for assisting me," she returned.

"We really were pals, after all," said Westerly in a tone of deep satisfaction.

She did not contradict him.

They have been married five years and they are still pals, and always will be.

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The Baird Star.

FRIDAY, MAR., 3, 1916.

Entered at the Postoffice at Baird, Texas, as second class mail matter.

W. E. GILLILAND,
Editor and Proprietor.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

One Year \$1.00
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A German officer is quoted as saying that Germany's plan is to crush France, capture the English navy and then with the combined fleets of the three nations cross the ocean and make the United States pay Germany's war debt. Whoopee! That would be going some! This sounds like some of Gen. Weyler's fantastic boasts about what he could do with the United States just before the Spanish war. "Give me," said the doughty general, "fifty thousand troops and I will land in Florida and march to Washington, capture the city and dictate terms of peace in the Halls of Congress," but he never made the attempt, neither will Germany make the attempt to cross the ocean to attack Uncle Sam. The one big "if" in the way is the English navy that the Germans have not captured nor is ever likely to capture. This statement was merely hot air of the Weyler brand.

The German army under the eyes of the Emperor are making one of the most desperate efforts of the war to capture Verdun. They had been fighting for a week up to Tuesday night, when there was a lull in the fighting. The German Kaiser directed his army to capture Verdun regardless of all cost and the fighting has been the most desperate of the war. Behind the French lines somewhere is that silent man, Gen. Joffre, who is meeting the assaults of the Kaiser's stubborn fighters with a skill never surpassed by the great Napoleon himself. The Germans have gained some of the outer trenches and forts, but at a loss probably that will stagger humanity when the list of the losses on both sides is made known.

A. E. (Rastus) Kendrick announces for County Commissioner of Precinct No. 1. Rastus Kendrick was raised in this county and has lived here practically all his life except for a short period when he went out west and took up some school land. He was Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, Tecumseh Precinct, was elected for a second term but was compelled to resign and go out west and look after his land mentioned before. He made a good Commissioner, is a good man and everyone knows him out in the west part of the district where he lives and his past record as an efficient Commissioner is, his best recommendation.

We call attention to the announcement of W. J. Cunningham of Abilene as a candidate for District Attorney. Mr. Cunningham is justly regarded as one of the ablest lawyers in the district. Some years ago he was District Attorney of this district and won for himself the reputation of being the most vigorous prosecutor that ever held that office. Here is what one of his home papers says about him:

In another column of this paper will be found the announcement of Hon. W. J. Cunningham, for District Attorney of this, the 42nd Judicial District. Mr. Cunningham has heretofore been District Attorney of this District something over three

years and secured more convictions with extreme penalties of the law than any other man who was ever District Attorney of this District and his ability as a prosecuting officer has never been surpassed in this section of the state. He has lived in Abilene 16 years. His private and public life has always been clean and honorable and as a citizen as well as an attorney, Mr. Cunningham ranks among the very highest in the state. After his retirement he was employed in prosecutions of many most important murder cases in the District and his success in securing extreme penalties of the law has been marvelous and unsurpassed. No more capable man could be found for the important position for District Attorney, in West Texas, than Mr. Cunningham and we feel sure that the people will make no mistake in electing him to this important office.—Abilene Reporter.

We call attention to the announcement of G. H. Brame as a candidate for County Commissioner of Precinct No. 1. Mr. Brame lives out on Rt. 1 on the Clyde road and is a successful farmer. He is in every way worthy and qualified to discharge the duties of the office and we feel sure that if Mr. Brame is elected he will serve the people with credit to himself and the precinct and that none who want only a square deal for all will ever have cause to regret voting for him. Mr. Brame has lived in this county for many years and all his interest is in this precinct.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE FORTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

I am a candidate for District Judge of this district, and will begin an active campaign in a short time.

For a period of sixteen years I have been engaged in the active practice of law, four years of which time I had the honor of being your District Attorney and tried a large number of important criminal cases; during the other twelve years of practice have tried a large number of both civil and criminal cases in the District and other courts. My record as an attorney and official is before you, and I leave it to the impartial judgment of the grand and petit jurors, witnesses, attorneys and court officials as to how well I served you.

The courts of our country are a burden on the people, and should be conducted with all the dispatch and promptness that is consistent with justice, and with as little expense as possible.

I promise, if elected, that your courts shall be conducted in an orderly, business-like manner; that unnecessary delays and time-killing shall not be tolerated; that your dockets shall be kept clean, good order maintained; that every person shall be treated alike and given a fair and impartial trial.

New trials and reversals in District Courts are expensive and I shall combine diligent and faithful study with my past experience, in order that errors may be few and that there may be an end to litigation.

Knowing the many hardships occasioned by court duty, my every aim shall be to administer justice promptly and uphold and maintain the dignity and respect for all of our laws.

I will appreciate your support and influence, and if elected, will do my best to make you a fair, impartial and efficient officer.

Very truly yours,
W. P. MAHAFFEY.

NOTICE REBEKAHS.

Baird Rebekah Lodge will meet Monday afternoon, March 6th, at 3 o'clock and all officers and members are requested to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE:—All announcements, State, District and County Offices, \$10.00; County Commissioner, \$5.00; Precinct Offices, \$2.50. Cash must be paid in advance in every instance. No deviation from this rule.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July:

District Offices

For District Judge, 42 Judicial Dist.

F. S. Bell,
of Callahan County
D. K. Scott
of Eastland County
Joe Burkett
of Eastland County

For District Attorney:

N. N. Rosenquest
of Breckenridge
W. J. Cunningham
of Abilene

County Offices

For County Judge:

J. R. (Bob) Black
of Baird
M. C. Council
of Clyde

For County Clerk:

Chas. Nordyke,
re-election.

For Tax Collector:

Gene Melton
re-election

For District Clerk:

Q. J. Johnson
of Cottonwood

For Tax Assessor:

M. G. (Melvin) Farmer
re-election

Commissioner Precinct No. 1.:

G. H. Brame
A. E. Kendrick

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2.:

H. Windham

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. No. 4.

H. Windham

SOCIAL EVENTS.

Regular meeting of the Wednesday Club was held with Mrs. Miller, on Feb. 23d, 1916, and eighteen members responded to roll call with current events. Several important business matters were settled. Mrs. Faust read an interesting paper on "Woman's Suffrage." Music by Misses Powell and Miller. The Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Powell on March 1st.

Miss Laura Brock was hostess to the "Kard Klub" last Tuesday evening. The evening was spent in playing Bridge after which refreshments were served to the following members: Misses Freda Cutbirth, Amy Bowyer, Leota and Jessie Powell, Alene Caps, Bertie Powell, and Mrs. Russell Harris. Visitors were Misses Mary and Evalyn Bowyer, Edith Collier, Lillian Schwartz, Mattie Scott, Helen Walker, Mesdames J. R. Jackson, H. D. Driskill and R. F. Mayfield.

The Wednesday Club celebrated its anniversary with a social meeting on Thursday, Feb. 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Taylor. The home was decorated with red, white and blue and carried out the "Washington Birthday" idea. Score cards of flags, cherries, etc. were passed the guests forming eleven tables of "42." At a late hour refreshments of a salad and ice course were served to the following: Mesdames Taylor, Miller, Powell, Parks, Mahan, Bell, Randolph, Boren, Ely, Faust, Hall, Blackburn, Hadley, Turner, Settle, Misses Collier, Gilliland, Miller, Powell, Boydston, Brock, Simmons, Vida Gilliland, Hay, Gill, Alvord, Dinwiddie, Duncan, Messrs Powell, Settle, Boren, Mahan, Ely, Bell, Parks, Hadley, Blackburn, Turner, Powell, Hall, Hancock, Holland, Baum, Hill, Taylor.

CANNOT PRAISE THEM ENOUGH

Many sick and tired women, with aches and pains, sore muscles and stiff joints, do not know that their kidneys are out of order. Mrs. A. G. Wells, Box 90, Route 5, Rocky Mount, N. C., writes: "I am taking Foley Kidney Pills and cannot praise them enough for the wonderful benefit I derived in such a short while."

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The changeable weather of March causes coughs, colds, croup and gripp. There is no such thing as a "light cold"—none that a person can safely neglect. Foley's Honey and Tar is a safe and reliable family medicine that heals inflamed, congested air passages, stops coughs and eases breathing.

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And would have been as thankful to you if you had come in and paid your account as you should have done, or if you could not pay, it would have been very easy for you to come in and tell us why you could not pay.

We have carried some accounts all the year, when it was hard for us to carry them thirty days. In many cases we have furnished the means to save the life of your loved ones, and then you felt like you would never forget it, but other things came up and you forgot those who had come to your relief in the dark hour of adversity.

Now, it is a pleasure to help those who need help, but we want you to come and ask it, like you would expect us to do you if we wanted you to help us, and not buy goods on thirty days time and then take your own good time in paying.

There is a Law that says the Corporations must pay twice a month—can't you pay at least once a month? Think about it old friend, and then do as your better self tells you to do.

Your Friends,

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Dry Goods

Millinery

Miss Nell Gilpin spent Sunday with relatives at Pueblo.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson, Dee and Cal Rodgers, of Eula, were in town Monday.

Mrs. R. L. Carlisle and daughter, Miss Annie, and Miss Hazel MaGee, spent Sunday in Merkel.

Miss Werdna Dinwiddie spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Keyworth of Eula.

Miss Amanda Stewart, of Fort Worth, is visiting Mrs. Frank McGraw.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Amacker left Tuesday night for New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras.

The Christian Endeavor Society will give a St. Patrick Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker March 17th, afternoon and evening. Free will offering.

Miss Catherine Howell has returned from a visit with relatives in Cross Plains.

Mrs. S. M. Hazel, of Rowden, was in Baird Wednesday. She was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office.

For Sale—My place in north Baird W. C. Franklin, Winters, Tex. 13

Oliver, little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ashton, who has been sick with pneumonia for the past two weeks, is reported some better.

Mrs. R. Adcock and Mrs. Allman living south of Clyde, were in Baird Wednesday, and made THE STAR office a pleasant call.

"Neal of the Navy" featuring Lillian Lorraine and William Courtleigh, Jr. beginning Tuesday, April 4th, at the Royal Theatre.

"The Red Circle," another splendid Pathe serial, featuring Ruth Roland and Frank Mayo, beginning March 28th at the Royal Theatre. See this splendid photoplay.

Leslie Reed, who is recovering from an attack of pneumonia, is spending a few days with his grandfather, A. W. Howell, south of Baird.

Will D. Boydston returned last Friday from St. Louis, where he purchased his spring and summer stock of dry goods and millinery and the new goods are now arriving.

Mrs. J. A. Heyser, Virgil Heyser Miss Ila Conlee and Miss Myrtle Blankenship, of Putnam, spent Saturday and Sunday in Baird, the guests of Mrs. Heyser's sister, Mrs. J. E. Gilliland and family.

Mr. J. E. Walker and son, J. I. Walker, of Hereford, Texas, father and brother of J. P. Walker, are visiting the latter. They made the trip over land in an automobile in a day and a half.

FOR SALE.

1 cook stove, 3 heaters, 1 oil stove with oven, single bed and springs, 2 hanging lamps, 6 table lamps. 13-1tp W. Riddlebarger, Phone, 38.

ROOMS FOR RENT.—Rooms with lights and gas, suitable for light housekeeping. Apply to Mrs. C. W. Conner. 11-1f

FOR RENT.—3 room cottage, furnished suitable for light housekeeping. Apply to Mrs. H. A. Lones. 12-1f.

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Have your watch and jewelry work done by expert jeweler. All work guaranteed at Terrell's Druggist. 10-1f

Miss Joffe Lambert returned from the city and where she spent a glad to Mrs. Lunsford.

METHODIST SERVICES.

Next Sunday at 11 o'clock the pastor will use as a subject, "My Father's Business" and at the evening hour, 7:30 the subject will be "Echoes from the Inspirational Meeting". At the morning hour the Quartet will sing, "The Riches of Love". At the close of the 11 o'clock hour the regular monthly communion service will be had. All the members of the church are urged to be present at this service. Every body is invited to worship with us. Comfortable pews, good music and a warm welcome.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Missionary Society held their social meeting at the residence of Mrs. S. J. Taylor. A nice program including a paper by Mrs. Ross, and all united in making it a pleasant time. Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Taylor assisted by Mrs. Tom Parks. There was a good attendance, but want each member of the society and church to feel that it is theirs.

The next meeting will be held at the Methodist Church, Monday, March 6th at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Riddlebarger, who recently moved here from Corpus Christi, were pleasant callers at THE STAR office, Wednesday. They have made some improvements on the place bought from W. F. Wilson having installed gas for cooking, heating and lights.

Miss Juanita Bowler was operated on Sunday by Drs. Powell and Griggs and it was to be expected that this very severe spell of fever that effected the muscles of one side of her town Saturday was performed. At last old friend Miss Juanita was doing every prospect that the will prove a success. The late for the recovery was



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- T. E. Powell, Cashier
- M. Barnhill
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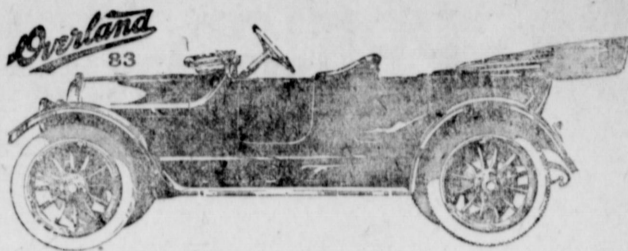
Treasurer's Quarterly Report

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF W. P. RAMSEY, Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas. COMMISSIONERS' COURT Callahan County, Texas, In Regular Quarterly Session, February Term, 1916.

We, The Undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Callahan County, and the Hon. W. R. Ely, County Judge of said Callahan County, Constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of W. P. Ramsey Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 9th day of Nov. A. D. 1915, and ending on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of said Treasurer belonging to Callahan County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND.	Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	706 58	
To amount received since said date	144 80	
By amount disbursed since said date		743 10
By amount to balance		108 28
Total	851 38	851 38
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		108 28
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND.		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	1956 78	
To amount received since said date	9235 36	
To amount transferred from other funds	800 00	
By amount disbursed since said date		6257 30
By amount to balance		5734 84
Total	11992 14	11992 14
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		5734 84
GENERAL FUND.		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	1651 14	
To amount received since said date	13653 65	
By amount transferred	460 00	
By amount disbursed since said date	2116 91	
By amount transferred	800 00	
By amount to balance		2916 93
		12847 86
Total	15764 79	15764 79
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		12847 86
COURT HOUSE FUND.		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	352 14	
To amount received since said date	1207 68	
By amount disbursed since said date		121 77
By amount to balance		1438 05
Total	1559 82	1559 82
Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. of A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		1438 05
ESTRAY FUND.		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	102 87	
To amount received since said date		
By amount disbursed since said date		
By amount to balance		
Total	102 87	102 87
Balance to credit of said Estray Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		102 87
POLL TAX FUND.		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 9th day of Nov. 1915	460 89	
To amount received since said date	395 41	
By amount disbursed	97	
By amount to balance	460 00	
Total	856 30	856 30
Balance to credit of said Poll Tax Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		395 33
RECAPITULATION.		
DATE	AMOUNT	
Feb. 15, 1916	Balance to credit Jury Fund this day	108 28
" "	Balance to credit Road & Bridge Fund on this day	5734 84
" "	Balance to credit General Fund on this day	12847 86
" "	Balance to credit Court House Fund on this day	1438 05
" "	Balance to credit Estray Fund on this day	102 87
" "	Balance to credit Poll Tax Fund on this day	395 33
	Cash on hand belonging to the hands of said Treasurer	82,617 32



ALL OVERLAND CARS

now in stock—Models 75-83, 84, and 86. We respectfully request that you call and see the splendid line of automobiles built by the Willys-Overland Company. The price of Model 83 has been reduced \$55.00, making a delivery price of \$770.00. The Knight Model 84 has been increased to \$1,200.00 delivered. See the cars, they will stand rigid inspection.

JNO. W. ROBBINS, Clyde, Texas

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

The bonded indebtedness of the said County we find to be as follows, to wit: 6 Callahan County Court House bonds each in the sum of \$1000.00 \$6000.00

Witness Our Hands, officially, this 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1916.

W. R. ELY, County Judge.
W. H. BRYANT, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
H. WINDHAM, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
J. S. YEAGER, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
J. M. HOUSTON, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by W. R. Ely, County Judge, and W. H. Bryant and H. Windham and J. S. Yeager and J. M. Houston County Commissioners of said Callahan County, each respectively, on this the 15th day of February, A. D. 1916.

CHAS. NORDYKE,
Clerk County Court Callahan County.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Program for Sunday, March 5th, 6:15 p. m., at the Presbyterian Church:

Leader, Miss Helen Walker.
Subject: The Consecration of Strength, Psa. 29:1-11.
Song. Prayer.
Scripture Reading and Talk by Leader.

1. Dedicated, Numbers 6:1-5.—Miss May Ivey.
2. Strength of Youth, 1st Sam 17:32-40.—Mr. George Nitchke.
3. Strength for Battle, 1 Jno. 2:12-17.—Mr. J. C. Estes.
Song.
4. Full Consecration, Rev. 12:1-3.—Miss Inez Franklin.
5. Consecration of Mind, Phil. 4:6-9.—Miss Hazel McGee.
6. Strength to Love, Mark 12:30
Song. Benediction.

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CALIFORNIA ORANGE DAY.

Saturday, March, 18th, has been designated as "California Orange Day" and will be celebrated throughout the country by the hotels, restaurants, railroad dining cars and dining stations, boarding houses, housewives, etc., as well as by all lovers of this justly famed product. It is planned to have every individual in the land eat at least one orange that day, and to have California oranges served in a thousand and one appetizing ways.

FOR SALE.—Lots 5 and 6, Block 11, Newlon Addition, Baird, Texas. For further information write, Box 213, Burkburnett, Texas. 11.3tp.

OUT OF THE RACE

When one wakes with stiff back, pains in muscles, aches in joints, or rheumatic twinges, he cannot do his best. If you feel out of the race, tired, languid, or have symptoms of kidney trouble, act promptly. Foley Kidney Pills help the kidneys get rid of poisonous waste matter that causes trouble.
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FARMER'S INSTITUTE.

The following is the committees for the school districts which was left out last week:

Cedar Grove Dist. No. 39. J. Gresham, Pres.; G. R. Henshaw, Vice-Pres; J. L. Heslep, Secy-Treas all of Admiral.

Gilliland Dist. No. 40. Alex McWhorter, Pres; J. W. Jones, Vice-Pres; J. M. Mauldin, Secy-Treas, all of Baird.

Oak Lawn Dist. No. 42. M. R. Halley, Pres; J. R. McFarlane, Vice-Pres; J. F. Price, Secy-Treas., all of Baird.

Denton Dist. No. 43. M. E. Crawford, Pres; J. J. Brown, Vice Pres.; Ira Williams, Secy-Treas., all of Clyde.

Union Dist. No. 45. W. J. Leverette, Pres; C. E. South, Vice-Pres. R. S. Tate, Secy-Treas; of Baird.

Lanham Dist. No. 47. C. W. Wriston, Pres; W. B. Benton, Vice-Pres; J. P. Graves, Secy-Treas., all of Abilene, Rt. 1.

Enterprise Dist. No. 47. U. W. Glover, Pres; J. W. Merrick, Vice-Pres; R. M. Smith, Secy-Treas., all of Clyde

Bayou Dist. No. 48. C. D. Gillit, Pres; Walter Gillit, Vice-Pres; J. K. Gdell, Secy-Treas, all of Baird.

Oplin Dist. No. 49. Tom Johnson, Pres.; J. H. Straley, Vice-Pres; Charley Allen, Secy-Treas, all of Oplin.

Live Oak Dist. No. 50. W. J. Milliron, Pres; J. B. McNeill, Vice-Pres.; W. C. Russell, Secy-Treas., all of Oplin.

Victoria Dist. No. 52. W. D. Drewery, Pres; J. E. Austin, Vice-Pres.; W. G. Younglove, Secy-Treas all of Clyde

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I have received my new models for Spring and Summer Now is the time to place your order for Easter Corsets.

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Read This Notice Please



This business will change hands on the 16th of March. The change will be from CREDIT to CASH. It is to your interest as well as ours that we are doing this and after the 16th of March we will absolutely NOT charge one cent. We appreciate the good business that our friends and customers have given us and hope to continue to do business with you on a cash basis. We are going to make the price that will save you and us from 15 to 25 per cent by doing this. Watch this space two weeks from now and see our cash prices and then look at your pocket book one year from now and see how we both have grown financially.

All who are indebted to us, this means those who have been owing us for some time, will call in and make settlement of same before April 1st.

We remain yours truly,

TIDWELL BROS.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

BURNT BRANCH CULLINGS.

Not long ago Cyclone Davis rendered his "Maiden Speech" in Congress, and some one wants Jeff McLemore to follow suit, as the gentleman has not been heard from, and we are all deeply concerned about Jeff. Kalamity Bonner comes to the rescue and says "if Jeff ever makes a speech it will not be a "maiden" one as no one knows Jeff's age but himself and he (Bonner) doubts if he does, but there is one thing certain, he is running Mathuzelam the race of his life on the age limit, and will be heard from later on, have no fears."

Some fears are entertained for Charley Culberson's success and health. Charley is still a lively corpse and with the woods full of aspirants, will have a walk over. See! I'll bet you a ginger cake, Uncle Bill, or a bottle of Prohibition Jamaca Ginger, just as you like, he succeeds himself in the Senate.

Will Duncan informed me his entire crop of oats were destroyed by the freeze and he went bravely to planting over. Also has great fears for his wheat crop, which was just coming up when the freeze hit it. Others are in the same predicament, but there is yet hope for most of the grain. The last cold spell was trying on stock, the most drawing of the winter.

Frank Bryson has a car of mixed stuff on hands and will ship in a few days.

Jack Aiken has the contract to furnish beef for the market at the Terminal City.

Horse traders are numerous at

Cross Plains. What the devil they do with them I don't know. Feed them hay and trade again I presume.

It feels like gardening time, but just wait like the auctioneer who was trying to sell an overcoat in August. He yelled, "It's not cold now, but it will be colder that h— in a pair of minutes." "Great are the changes in Texas, and so with her weather."

Price Odum took the baby (that Xmas present) to the doctor, Saturday. It squalls and bawls and then squalls and bawls again says the fond father.

Don't be discouraged about the oats; when sowed as late as March good crops are often made.

A prominent candidate furnishes this, and says, "Juan this is, and illustrates your men at the forks of the creek." "Grander people never lived" said he:

"There are human souls that live withdrawn

In the place of their self content,
There are souls like stars that dwell apart

In the fellowless firmament,
There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths.

Where highways never ran,
But let me live by the side of the road

And be a friend to man,
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,

Where the race of me go by,
The men who are good, the men who are bad

As good and as bad as I,
I would not sit in the scorner's seat
O the the cynic's ban

I live in a house by the side of road,

And be a friend to man,
I see from my house by the side of the road,
By the side of the highway of life,
The men who pass with the ardor of hope,

The men who are faint with strife,
But I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears,
Both parts of an infinite plan.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road

And be a friend to man."

"Now Willie" said the fond mother, as Willie knelt by his little bed to say his evening prayers, "don't forget to thank God for our daily bread." "I won't Mama and I'll tell him I found a dead cock roach in this mornings loaf." Fool a kid.

A big norther on hand, came up Saturday about eleven o'clock with appearance of rain or snow, which has failed to materialize.

Fritz with a car of kids passed Saturday, Terminal bound, Fritz loves the kids and their sistere too.

Much scrap iron on the move as they are buying the some at remunerative prices at the city.

The Dallas News places Minority Leader Mann, Republican and Democratic Champ Clark in the same bed, on Preparedness with the announcement "Strange Bed Fellows." These gentlemen have buried little differences, whims and fancies, and like men, have come together on the great subject of Preparedness. Others should follow suit.

A stiff norther today, but clear and cold. We are needing rain badly for water and season.

Autos on the move, though bundled up to beat six bits.

Met my young friend Eldon Boydston, at the Terminal Saturday. "How comes you stepping so high Boydston." "Why Juan its nice to be the father of a bouncing bady girl."

Saturday was Bankers Day at

Cross Plains. Among the prominent bankers present were Tom Powell and Will Hinds, of Baird. Mr. Spencer, of Waco, and Uncle John Wagner, of the City of the Woods, and other points to hear from.

The "Old Vets" purpose to have a decoration day at the Terminal soon says the Commander.

My old friend, Capt. H. P. Taylor present incumbent, informs me by letter that he is in the race again for the legislature. My opinion is that we could go farther and do a blamed sight worse. Capt. Taylor has made an efficient member and deserves reelection, which he will receive "hands down."

Eldon Boydston says Bankers Tom Powell and Will Hinds were in charge of Sheriff Moore on their expedition to the Terminal City.

Jeff McLemore has not yet made his maiden speech, but his maiden announcement for reelection. Jeff is sound and deserves well at the hands of the voters, and will be returned as congressman-at-large.

"More blood of war." Five aspirants for county office and three for district office as announced in The Star.

Next week I will wake an old friend down in Bell county, who as a native would say, has been "slandering me." "Juan."

OPLIN ITEMS.

The Singing School conducted by Prof. Shelton closed Thursday night with a few special songs for the benefit of the visitors present. Prof. Shelton did great work, but music can not be learned in a few days though with this start and practice they will have something to be proud of.

Mr. Ellis Meridith of Novice was seen tramping up the same old street, College, which is so familiar to him in our town on Saturday and Sunday. We are always glad to

have those who have once lived here to come back, it makes us feel that we are not entirely forgotten.

The City Restaurant has again changed hands, Mr. Dave Summers having sold out to O. D. Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Armor were in from the ranch on business, Saturday.

Misses Ada and Beulah McWhorter were shopping in Oplin, Thursday. They were accompanied by their cousin, Miss Jean Lambert of Baird who was visiting them at their home on the Bayou.

The Singing at Chris Johnson's Sunday evening was well attended.

Among those on the sick list are Mrs. J. W. Glenn and daughter Alma, Mrs. Ellen McBride, Miss Mae Bell Colbert. Bad colds and lagrippe seem to be a general complaint.

Rev. Fee and wife of Eula visited friends in this community a few days last week.

A number of Oplinites attended the Pound Supper at Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fisher's, Friday evening and all report a nice time.

The party at W. C. Lofton's on Saturday evening was highly enjoyed

Miss Dixie Mabry, who has been working with the Gibson-Coker firm at Novice, is the guest, of Mr. and Mrs. Coker.

Messrs Ray and Jones were over from Baird Saturday evening.

Messrs Lester Farmer, Odus and Dewey Sprayberry of Eula were in Oplin Saturday and Sunday.

It has been rumored that Eagle Cove Ball players will be over next Saturday morning to play our teams

Messrs Walter Halley and Pete Chatman of Cottonwood were in town Saturday and Sunday greeting old friends.

"Blue Bonnett.

The above letter was received too late for publication last week.

SPRING GOODS

New Goods for Spring and Summer are coming in every day and we now have a very pretty showing of Spring Wearables and Spring Goods of all kinds. Come in and let us show you the new goods.

H. SCHWARTZ

"THE STORE WITH THE NEW GOODS"

BAIRD, TEXAS

J. E. WILD KILLED

J. E. Wild, of Moran, was killed near Ballinger last Friday morning in attempting to cross the Santa Fe tracks in an auto. Mr. Wild was well known in Baird and has many friends here who regret to learn of death in this horrible manner.

The following account of the accident is taken from the Ballinger Ledger:

The remains of J. E. Wild is in the undertaking parlors of the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., and J. W. Chesnutt is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium as the result of an accident which occurred on a crossing of the Santa Fe railroad about three miles west of Ballinger at nine-twenty-five this morning. The remains of Wild have been prepared for burial and are held awaiting instructions from his family at Moran, Texas.

The accident occurred when the men in the auto tried to cross the railroad track ahead of the Santa Fe passenger train which is due at

Ballinger at nine-thirty-five and according to eye witnesses who said the engine of the auto went dead, and the train was so close the parties did not have time to leave the car.

The auto, a brand new five-passenger Dodge, bearing an Abilene number, was crushed like an egg shell, and carried for a distance of thirty-three yards. Pieces of the car were strewn along the track and no part of the car escaped damage, and it is a complete loss.

Wild's body was carried twenty-nine yards beyond the car, or sixty-two yards from where the train struck the auto. The man's head was crushed beyond recognition, brains being scattered along the track, while the pilot of the engine was spattered with blood and hair. One foot was crushed off and the body otherwise bruised. Wild was driving the car and did not have time to free himself, or make any attempt to get out of the car before the train struck him, and he was picked up by the engine and carried with the wrecked auto to instant death.

Chesnutt was on the front seat of the auto with Wild, and was attempting to leave the car when the train struck it and he escaped death by being knocked free from the wreckage. He suffered a broken limb, one of the lower limbs being badly fractured in two places and bruises made about the body.

The train was in charge of Conductor Billie Aiken and Engineer R. B. Green. Mr. Aiken telephoned to Ballinger for physicians and the wounded man was given prompt medical attention. The train came on to the city and later returned to the scene of the accident. Undertaker Crews going out on the train to look after the remains of Wild, while County Attorney, Shepard and County Judge, Kleberg went out in an auto to hold an inquest.

Wild and Chesnutt were representing the Producers Oil Co., of Moran, Texas, being field men of the company. They were enroute to Ballinger from San Angelo, having left the latter town about the same time that the passenger train left. They had visited Ballinger a number

times before and had several acquaintances here. Chesnutt is a single man, of about thirty years of age, and has resided at Abilene for many years and stands high in the social circles of that city, being a prominent member of the Elks Lodge at Abilene. A late report from the sanitarium says that he is resting as well as could be expected, and the physicians are hopeful that it will not be necessary to amputate the wounded limb, and unless some complication sets up he will recover.

Wild is survived by a wife and five children, who live at Moran, and who have been notified of his death. Those here who knew the man say that he stood high as a citizen in his home town and that he was successful in business. The car in which the men were traveling was the property of Wild, and this was the first trip he had made in the car, having just purchased it a few days ago in Abilene. The man had about sixty dollars in his pocket when he was killed and this has been deposited in a local bank and will be turned over to those who come after his remains, together with jewelry and other personal property.

The news of the accident soon spread to other towns in this section and several telephone calls were received at the Ledger office inquiring about the particulars. Temple Hoffer, formerly of this city, now of Wichita Falls, called up The Ledger, and stated that he knew both men well and wanted to know if there was anything he could do, and directed where their people could be located.

The accident happened at nine-thirty and shortly after noon The Ledger received telephone calls from Fort Worth. Others were received from San Angelo, Abilene and Albany, indicating that the unfortunate men had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

FOR SALE.—Lots 5 and 6, Block 11, Newlon Addition, Baird, Texas. For further information write, Box 213, Burkburnett, Texas. 11-3tp.

MASONS MEET.

The Chapter and Council put through two candidates this week: W. E. Melton and A. D. Williams. The work began Monday night and closed Wednesday night. Judge D. K. Scott and Prof. R. D. Green of Cisco came up Tuesday night and assisted in conferring the Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch degrees.

Miss Evalyn Johnson left the latter part of last week for Big Springs to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Bradford.

George Nitschke was hit on the forehead at the school house Tuesday by a 12 lb. shot used by the boys in their athletic game. George was knocked unconscious and for a time it was feared that he was fatally injured. Dr. Griggs was hastily summoned and he went to the school grounds and rushed the injured boy to town where he was brought too. George is popular with all the boys, and they regret the accident. We hope nothing serious will result to George from the accident.

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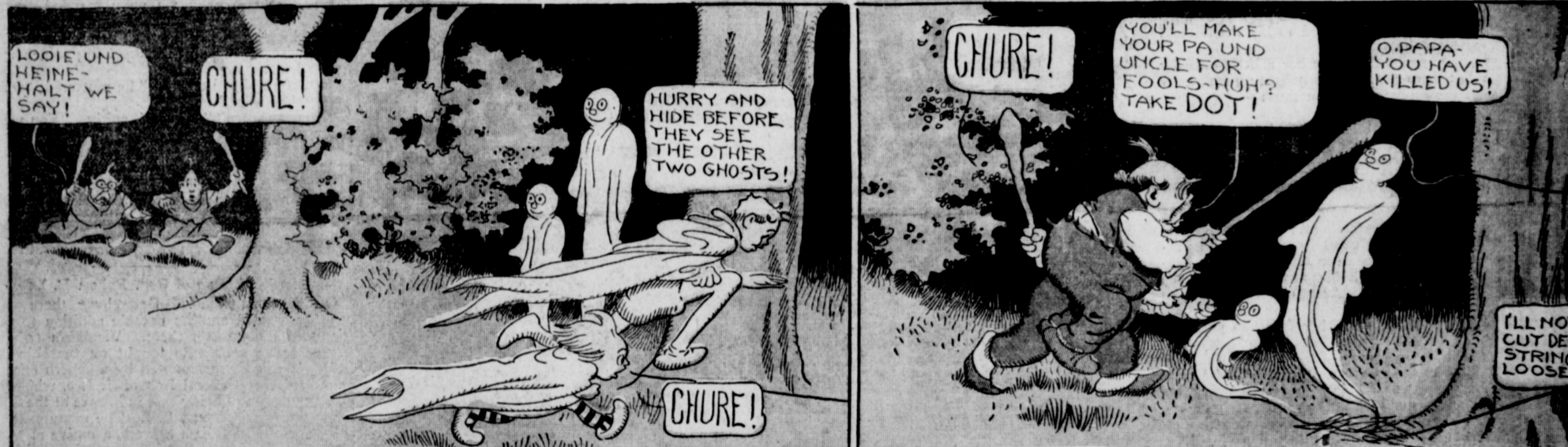
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