

# THE BORDEN CITIZEN.

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## A YOUNG HERO.

**Boy Loses His Life While Defending His Sister Who Is Assaulted by Brutal Negro.**

Bartlesville, I. T.,—The Bartlesville Examiner tells of a heroic deed of a boy in this vicinity. Jimmy Bird, the 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Bird, who live on a farm four or five miles southeast of Bartlesville, died a hero's death Friday night. He died in defense of his home and loved ones, but not until he had rendered the world a service by ridding it of a monster in human form. The brave lad yielded up his life in a valiant and successful effort to preserve his sister from a fate in worse than death itself. His untimely end is sincerely mourned by the multitude and the profoundest sympathy of every one goes out to the sorrowing ones in whose behalf he laid down his life. The heroism of brave Jimmy Bird will be a fruitful theme in this locality for years to come.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock Friday evening, while Mrs. Bird and her two grown daughters, Annie and Bertha, were engaged with duties in the kitchen of their home, unmindful of impending danger, a burly, brutal negro bolted into the room with a gleaming revolver in his hand. "By—," the negro bellowed. "I'm goin' to have one of these women and if any of you try to stop me, you'll sure die." The boy Jimmy, who sat in a chair at one side of the kitchen jumped to his feet and rushed to an adjoining room where a shotgun was kept. As he passed through the door the negro, who seized Annie and was endeavoring to drag her from the house, fired at the retreating form, the bullet striking Jimmy in the right leg near the hip. Although desperately and painfully wounded the heroic lad seized the gun and faced the doorway and carefully awaiting an opportunity so that his sister might not be injured, took careful aim and fired the contents of both barrels into the negro's head. The assailant all the while struggling with the girl, sought to hold her as a shield in front of him. As she partly slipped from his grasp her brother fired, but the negro shot also at the same instant, and both reports blended into one. The latter fell back dead, with half his head torn away, and the

boy sank to the floor mortally wounded. The bullet from the negro's weapon had found lodgment in the breast and two hours later his heroic soul sped to a glorious reward. But his home had been saved from violation the loved ones were unharmed and this was to him ample recompense for the sacrifice he so bravely and cheerfully made.

## Another Pull.

There is, we understand a big land rush to be pulled off at Gail in Aug. There will be land coming on about Aug. 11, and the plan of the red ribbon people is to give a grand barbecue, providing several nice beeves, and invite every settler and his dog, from Coon Hollow to the forks of Bitter creek; for a day or two before they will come on horseback, in wagons, in couples, and dozens, any old way, all prepared with their own supplies to stay awhile and lay siege to the court house and take it.

Base ball games and other amusements may be provided for, besides music and banqueting. There will be a crowd no doubt, and a royal bumper time is expected. It is to be hoped that both sides will keep good spirits, as they did before, and everything go off nicely.

Dee Price of Borden county was in the city this week and spent several days among his friends here.—Clipper.

The Stanton Courier is the name of a paper which is soon to be launched in our little sister town twenty miles east, with J. Leroy Lancaster at the helm. Let the Reporter give the people of Stanton some good advice: Patronize that paper; whatever it may be depends upon your attitude toward it. It can be made the most beneficial enterprise of and to your community.—Midland Stock Reporter.

There will be no paper published next week. The printer is worked down and must have rest. Hard work and getting nothing for it is not very encouraging to one who has to work day and night. And it may be that we will be compelled to move the paper as it seems to be impossible for us to do any good at this place. However if we decide to leave we will publish one more issue at Gomez.—Gomez Voice.

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We have received statements from the front ("Blue Front") confirming the report that Gen. J. W. Chandler has returned from the Far East, bringing vast quantities of supplies, and is now doing a "Russian" business.

**GO EARLY AND GET IN THE RUSH!!!**



# THE BORDEN CITIZEN.

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Gail, Texas, Apr. 28, 1904.  
JAS. C. TAYLOR, EDITOR.

I. T.'s for Hearst.

Georgia wants Parker.

The Parker boom is growing.

Wonder if Russia carries an accident policy?

Odesa is to have a new courthouse soon according to contract.

Skrydloff succeeds Makaroff, who was blown off the Petropavlovsk.

Bryan has told us where Parker stands. We supposed Billie knew.

The CITIZEN is for any Democrat who can beat Roosevelt, and it has great confidence in Parker's strength.

Bailey is not doing as much presidential talk now as he did a few months ago. May be he is "sawing wood."

"Nebraska," the silver-sided submarine phantom chaser, has slipped out of the harbor and gone a-gunnin'.

Gloomy reports are coming from the range country in Arizona and New Mexico, and prevailing conditions in some of the Texas country west and north-west of us are no less unfavorable.

A. O. Tarrance informs us that the Indian Canon boys are discussing local politics already. Well, that's easy. There are only two questions to consider, the integrity and ability of the respective candidates.

It is generally believed that the country editor who smears no editorial ink whatever is destitute of the necessary thinking apparatus. If he writes short editorials he's called stupid, or even worse, he's sometimes accused of borrowing them. If he writes long ones on current topics, especially on local matters, he is often branded as a chronic Reformer who feels obligated to renovate, regulate and operate the universe.

This portion of Borden County has had two good rains within the last fifteen days. There is plenty of stock water, grass is growing rapidly and creeping cattle are on the mend. There is a good season in the ground and large crops of feed stuff are being planted. These conditions, together with the hope of better prices, have brought Borden from under the depression of low-priced stuff and the ill effects of the extended drought, and inspired her people with most buoyant hopes.

Bre'r Long says he will probably extinguish the ejaculation of the Gomez Voice expeditiously—or something like that. It seems that he is not content to subsist on the gas that first tickled its vociferous cords into desultory action, so to speak.

A. C. Wilmeth is still out mingling with the people of the District. He is very popular, and bids fair to win the fight. We don't know of a more available man. He is to be found at the right place at the right time—and then there's something doing.

Bryan enumerates the principles for which he has struggled these many years and concludes by saying that Parker and Hill are afraid of these issues. Billie is liable to harrow a fellow's feelings. He might have said that they don't manifest such passion for sitting up with a corpse as do certain other American mouth-pieces.

Who is the American editor, and what does he do? Above all things he airs his thoughts. He commends the good and cusses the cussed. He is the chief critic of the secular world. He breaks down Hypocrisy's idols. He exposes government frauds, thereby holding in check the more degenerate officers. Withal, he is, if not the Star, a prominent actor on the stage of Life.

Have you considered the fact that you can get drygoods as cheap in Gail as you can in Big Springs or Colorado? You may not have—O, yes you have; it's so plain that a cross-eyed man, even though he be very particular as to quality and style can easily see that Gail does not follow in the clothing line; she leads. We will also state (that we may not be misunderstood) that this fact is even more apparent to a straight looker.

Then, there's the grocery question. Did it never occur to you that our merchants can and do purchase goods as cheap as any other town, and that they can freight at as little expense as can you. He usually freights cheaper than you, as he hauls larger loads. Another noteworthy fact is that the expenses incurred by our merchants are not as great as those of the business men of larger cities—Big Springs and Colorado, for instance.

All things considered, it is not at all strange that Gail has become Bargain Center in the line of drygoods and groceries.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### FOR ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. D. Black as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties.

We are authorized to announce W. S. Cathey as a candidate for election to the office Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties.

THE CITIZEN is authorized to announce H. A. Kincaid as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties.

We are authorized to announce that S. A. Morrow is a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties.

### FOR TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce the name of David Dorward, Jr. as a candidate for election to the office of County Treasurer Borden and Garza Counties.

### FOR SHERIFF.

Thanking my friends for past favors, I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Borden and Garza Counties, and promise, if elected, to perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Respectfully,  
W. K. Clark.

We are authorized to announce the name of H. W. Hale as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Borden and Garza Counties.

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. N. Hopkins as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Borden and Garza Counties.

### FOR CLERK.

In announcing myself as candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk of Borden and Garza Counties, I wish to thank my friends for past favors, and to promise, that if again honored by the voters, to continue to perform to the best of my ability the duties devolving upon me.

Very Respectfully,  
J. D. Brown.

### FOR COM. PREC'T No. 1.

We are authorized to announce the name of H. D. Pruett as a candidate for election to the office of County Commissioner from Precinct No. 1, Borden County.

### FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

We are authorized to state that H. D. Pruett is a candidate for election to the office of J. P., Precinct No. 1, Borden County.

The following rates will be charged for announcements in this paper:

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| District offices | \$10.00. |
| County offices   | 7.50.    |
| J. P.            | 5.00.    |
| Commissioner     | 3.00.    |

If you send us your announcement let it be accompanied by the required amount of cash. Heed this and thus save us the pain of dunning a defeated candidate.

## STOCK NOTES.

W. G. Bush of Coleman county sold 400 two years old steers last week at \$19 per head.

Cattlemen generally are of the opinion that by next fall or next spring at the farthest beef cattle values will show considerable improvement.

A reduction of \$10 per car on live stock rates has been ordered by the Pecos Valley lines in connection with the Santa Fe. This is the first ray of hope stock men have seen for some time in the way of rates.

## DIRECTORY.

### DISTRICT OFFICERS.

J. L. Shepherd - - - - - Judge  
Ben Randall - - - - - Attorney  
Court convenes seventh Monday after first Monday in Feb. and Sept.

### COUNTY OFFICERS.

J. M. Searcy - - - - - Judge  
W. K. Clark - - - - - Sheriff  
J. D. Brown - - - - - Co. and Dist. Clerk  
H. W. Hale - - - - - Treasurer  
H. A. Kincaid - - - - - Tax Assessor  
E. R. Yellott - - - - - Attorney  
Court convenes first Monday in February, May, August and November.

### COMMISSIONERS.

J. N. Hopkins - - - - - precinct No. 1  
W. P. Coates - - - - - " " 2  
J. L. Waskom - - - - - " " 3  
J. S. York - - - - - " " 4

## CHURCHES.

CHRISTIAN:—H. D. Pruett, pastor. Preaching every 2nd Sunday at 11 a. m. Bible class every Sunday afternoon : : :

PRESBYTERIAN:—W. W. Werner, pastor. Preaching every 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.

UNION SUNDAYSCHOOL:—Every Sunday at 10 a. m.

## SECRET ORDERS.

MASON—Meets Saturday night on or preceding full moon.

W. O. W.—Meets first Saturday night after each full moon, and on Saturday night two weeks thereafter.

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I  
THE Russian, way out Eastivitch,  
He wears a sealskin capski,  
His pants are lined with woolivitch,  
His socks are pure burlapski.

II  
But he's a foxy guyivitch,  
An all-round diplomatski,  
He winks the other eyeivitch,  
And talketh through his hatski,

III  
He wants to be the starivitch—  
The chorus and stage-handski.  
He wants to run the showivitch,  
And also lead the bandski.

IV  
The Japanese is smallivitch,  
But doesn't give a damski.  
He knows he has the goodsivitch,  
And that he is no hamski.

V  
He sticks not out his chestivitch;  
He's always standing patski.  
There's trouble in the airivitch'  
When he gets at the batski.

VI  
The Russian ought to knowivitch,  
It's never safe or wisecki,  
To judge of anythingivitch,  
Just merely by its sizescki.

VII  
But he will learn this soonivitch;  
The Jap will teach him wellski.  
His Irish now is upivitch—  
He'll give the Russian hellski!  
—JOSEPH VAN RAALTE in Life.

A subscriber who was in arrears to a rural paper was dying and the editor dropped in to see him. "How you feel?" asked the pencil pusher. "All looks bright before me," gasped the subscriber. "I thought so," said the editor, "You'll see the blaze in about ten minutes.—Exchange.

**Canal Figures.**

It is said that by employing 30 000 men the Panama canal can be completed in eight years. The Chicago drainage canal was finished in that time by 8,000 men, at a cost of \$33,000,000 only nine miles shorter than the Panama utility.—Clipper.

"Eternity," said the parson, "is forever and forever, and five or six everlastings on top of that. Why, brothers and sisters, after millions and billions of centuries had rolled away in eternity it would still be a hundred thousand years to breakfast time.—New York Tribune.

Clay McGonagill got in Thursday from New Mexico, and his report of range conditions is worse than we really care to publish. He says there is no grass whatever anywhere and cattle are dying in large numbers. He says even range horses are so poor and weak they can hardly stand and it matters not what favorable turn the weather may now take there is bound to be heavy losses all over the territory.—Midland Reporter.

**Texas School Fund.**

The permanent free school fund of the state of Texas consists in round numbers of \$500,000 in cash, \$10,000,000 in city, state and railroad bonds and 18,000,000 acres of land, the present value of which is about \$30,000,000. The aggregate permanent fund, therefore, amounts to nearly \$60,000,000, and is increasing yearly through the rise in value of land and bonds held by the fund. The available fund arising from interest and lease accounts is apportioned the several counties on basis of scholastic population. The available fund supports the public school for every child of scholastic age for about five months, the expenses for the balance of the school year being borne by the county school taxes. In 1903 the scholastic population was 759,689 and the apportionment of the available fund was \$3,722,476 or \$4.90 per capita.

**The Road That Leads To Man's Heart.**

She didn't ride,  
She didn't drive,  
She didn't swim,  
She didn't strive,  
To be an athlete;  
Nor was she  
A figure  
In society.  
She didn't dance,  
She didn't flirt,  
She didn't try  
To be expert  
In art and books;  
She didn't train  
A bulldog  
On a silver chain.  
She didn't golf,  
She didn't row,  
She didn't take in  
Every show,  
She didn't give  
Her purse distress  
By straining it  
On to much dress;  
She didn't play,  
She didn't sing,  
She waen't up  
On every thing,  
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Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Morrison a girl.

Mrs. Dee Price is visiting Mrs. F. E. Abney.

Arthur Prince is clerking for the Pruitt & Fritz Hardware establishment.

Prof. Crutcher, of the Light community, was here Monday looking after the school.

J. P. McMillin, of Aspermont passed through the city Monday enroute to the home of his brother-in-law, J. D. Oliver, of the Indian Canon country.

Messrs. Brown and Weatherford went fishing yesterday. We learn that they brought in a large number of the finny tribe.

Perry Crowley and Lady are visiting Mrs. J. N. Prince.

Judge McGee spent last night in the city returning from a business trip out east.

Mr. and Mrs. Yeiser passed through Gail yesterday enroute to Stonewall.

"Why, Freddie!" exclaimed the excited mother, "what did you drop the baby for?"

"Because," answered Freddie, "grandma said he was a bouncing baby and I wanted to see him bounce."—Chicago News.

**Drs. Adams And Wray.**

Drs. Adams & Wray, the noted eye specialists, will be in Clairemont and Dickens for the next 30 days. They restore vision and straighten cross eyes. They limit their practice to curable cases. Local and foreign testimonials and hundreds of "eye" witnesses. It will pay you to investigate. Come and see, or write,  
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**TWO GREAT CONTESTS**

The first contest will be on the July 4th attendance at the *St. Louis World's Fair*; the second relates to *Total Vote For President* to be cast Nov. 8, 1904. \$20,000.00 will be distributed in each of these contests, making \$40,000.00 on the two, and, to make it still more interesting, in addition to this amount, we will give a **Grand First Prize of \$5,000.00** to the one who is nearest correct on both contests, and thus your estimates have two opportunities of winning a big cash prize.

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**WORLD'S FAIR CONTEST**

What will be the total July 4th attendance at the St. Louis World's Fair? At Chicago, July 4, 1893, the attendance was 283,273. For nearest correct estimates received in Woolson Spice Company's office, Toledo, Ohio, on or before June 30th, 1904, we will give first prize for the nearest correct estimate, second prize to the next nearest, etc., etc., as follows:

|                        |                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 First Prize          | \$2,500.00                |
| 1 Second Prize         | 1,000.00                  |
| 2 Prizes—\$500.00 each | 1,000.00                  |
| 5 Prizes—200.00 "      | 1,000.00                  |
| 10 Prizes—100.00 "     | 1,000.00                  |
| 20 Prizes—50.00 "      | 1,000.00                  |
| 50 Prizes—20.00 "      | 1,000.00                  |
| 250 Prizes—10.00 "     | 2,500.00                  |
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| <b>2139 PRIZES,</b>    | <b>TOTAL, \$20,000.00</b> |

**PRESIDENTIAL VOTE CONTEST**

What will be the total Popular Vote cast for President (votes for all candidates combined) at the election November 8, 1904? In 1900 election, 13,959,653 people voted for President. For nearest correct estimates received in Woolson Spice Co.'s office, Toledo, O., on or before Nov. 5, 1904, we will give first prize for the nearest correct estimate, second prize to the next nearest, etc., etc., as follows:

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