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MEMBER INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Road Bond Transcript Is Approved By State

County Judge Paul Trimmer returned from Austin Tuesday where he had been to appear before the State Highway Commission which was in session last Monday and Tuesday.

Judge Trimmer stated that the bond transcript was approved and that he expected the preliminary engineering work to begin at an early date and for this part of the work and the plans to be completed by January 1929. He also stated that in his opinion the work on Highway No. 30 north of Ballinger would begin as soon as freezing weather was over next spring.

No official application has been entered for aid as yet, however, both state and federal aid was assured on this project before the election was called.

LEHMBERG HELPING COMMUNITY FAIRS

C. W. Lehmburg left Thursday morning for Rowena where he will assist the people of that city in selecting the material to be placed on exhibit in the Rowena Community Fair. After the Rowena fair is over the blue ribbon articles will be taken and a county exhibit for the Rannels County Fair arranged and brought here and decorated to compete in the community agricultural booths.

This afternoon or Friday he will work with the Bethel people on the same arrangements. Mr. Lehmburg expects the coming fair to have the biggest and best displays in the agricultural building that has ever been shown.

SOAP DISPLAY IS ATTRACTING MANY

A very unusual soap display can be seen in the big show window at the G. A. Ludwig store this week. Square bars of soap have been used to build a replica of the national capitol and the job is good from every angle. Not only the building and dome but the grounds and steps leading to the capitol are good and the display is worth taking a look at when you are down town.

ROTARY CLUB WILL VISIT SAN ANGELO

The Ballinger Rotary club has accepted an invitation to visit the club in San Angelo next week on Friday night at which time the San Angelo club will be hosts to the Ballinger club with a banquet. The Ballinger club will furnish the program for the meeting and arrangements are being made to get a big bus if possible to carry the entire club in one body to the neighboring city for the occasion. Between 25 and 35 local Rotarians are expected to make the trip.

A program given Wednesday evening by the Young Woman's Auxiliary of the Baptist church, was largely attended and enthusiastically approved by those present.

Hoover Urged To Come South

(By International News Service)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Showing keen interest in the reports from his lieutenants that he will be the first republican since the Civil War to break into the solid South, Herbert Hoover today considered numerous requests to extend his southern invasion early in October. Special efforts will be made to assemble republican leaders and anti-Smith democrats from every southern state at Elizabethton, Tenn., where Hoover speaks on October 6. Some of his advisors have urged him to make a prepared address in the southwest, preferably in Texas, but there appears little likelihood that he will, although he may speak in Arizona.

No Poison Is Found in Girl

(By International News Service)
WACO, Sept. 20.—No trace of arsenic or any kind of poisoning was found in the stomach of Miss Adeline Frazer, 17, Dr. W. T. Gooch, Baylor University chemist, reported today. Mrs. Willie Frazer, step-mother of the girl has been held in jail in connection with her death.

Ice cold melons one cent pound at Piggly Wiggly.

3,000 Entered Target Shoots

CAMP PERRY, Ohio, Sept. 20.—Although not hailed as such, the greatest sportsman's event of its kind ever held in the United States has just closed at Camp Perry, Ohio. Three thousand devotees of rifle and pistol marksmanship vied with each other for the \$40,000 in cash prizes, the historic and international trophies and the prestige and honors which were accorded to the winners in various classes of the national matches.

Old champions were deposed by new ones who literally shot their way into eminence in the marksmanship world and will hold their titles unchallenged until next year's meet. Soldiers, sailors, marines, guardsmen and civilians, including women and children, competed with each other in their respective classes and sometimes in the same events, to prove their steadiness of nerve and sureness of aim.

Women were especially evident and they demonstrated their proficiency with firearms by establishing new national records and in many cases defeating their male contemporaries.

The inception of the National Matches took place in 1871 when the National Rifle Association of America was organized. Three years later the first international shoot in America was held when a British rifle team headed by Capt. Arthur B. Leech, of the British army, came over to compete with American riflemen. They left as mementoes of their visit, the now famous Leech and Wimbledon cups for annual competition between American riflemen. Since then the number of trophies, many of them distinguished by their artistic designs and the prominence of their donors, has grown into what is probably the greatest collection of shooting prizes in the world.

The National Matches are now held annually and are conducted by the National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice in cooperation with the National Rifle Association of America. The former, under the direction of the Assistant Secretary of War controls the expenditure of funds appropriated by Congress for the promotion of rifle practice. The National Rifle Association is a civilian organization devoted to the development of shooting as a sport in the United States, comprising in its membership every class of American.

C. R. Stone was in Sherwood Wednesday and was accompanied home by his wife and son who had been on a visit to Mrs. Stone's homefolks. Mr. and Mrs. Stone stopped in San Angelo and visited the fair over the evening on their return trip.

John Lee Simmons, Curtis Jones, Levy Lee and Mr. Fry, visited in San Angelo Wednesday night, taking in the fair and other attractions in the Concho city.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McKenzie of Houston are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jo McKenzie.

County Schools Doing Much Work

The schools in Rannels county are doing a great deal of work right now in preparation for the coming school year which will begin opening every Monday from now until sometime in November. The greatest work being done by the districts is in the erection of teacherages.

The Sweet Home district is constructing a new teacherage that will be completed by the time the school opens. It is a four room house and will take care of the two teachers at that place. Estella Gilman is the principal of the Sweet Home school.

Gruenwald district has a four-room teacherage almost completed and Henry Leach, the principal, will take charge of it when school opens. This is a three teacher school.

Mazeland, a four teacher school will soon complete a new teacherage and Mr. G. D. Cobb will take charge of the new place.

A new teacherage has just been completed at Blanton and Principal W. T. Gassiot will have charge there. Blanton employs three teachers.

Content, a five teacher school is building a new teacherage to take care of their teachers. E. J. Criswell is the principal at Content and will begin school in about three weeks. Content is the largest district in the county. There are 53 square miles in the district and three school buses will be used this year to gather the students each day and deliver them back home. Content, Lone Star, Elm Creek and Midway in Coleman county were consolidated this year into the Content district to make the largest district in the county.

The Bethel district has added two new school buses this year making three in that district.

Wingate was the first school to open in the county this year in the rural school division. They began on the 3rd of September. Wingate has one of the most modern rural schools in the state and have seven teachers. T. V. Crouse is at the head of this school.

Rowena opened their school on the 10th and are getting under way this week with a fairly good attendance.

Springhill will open next Monday, Sept. 24, with Misses Velma and Thelma Parrish teaching this two teacher school.

55 New Autos Registered Here

Fifty-five new cars have been registered in Ballinger since Sept. 1 according to the records in the tax collector's office at the courthouse. Of this number the Ford stepped back into first place for the first time in quite a while.

According to the records the following cars were registered since Sept. 1 of this year:

- Fords, 16.
- Chevrolets, 15.
- Whippets, 10.
- Pontiacs, 9.
- Dodges, 3.
- Buick, 1.
- Chrysler, 1.

The sales are a little off this fall due to the late cotton crop and it is getting close to the close of the third quarter of this year and the license tax will soon be cut to only one-fourth of the year's tax.

Cotton Spindles Keeping Busy

(By International News Service)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—There were 35,519,786 cotton spindles in place in the United States on August 31st of which 28,243,508 operated partially during the month, the census bureau announced today. The aggregate active spinning hours for the month were 7,430,798,751.

Have you read the want ads?

Death Toll Still Mounts

(By International News Service)
WEST PALM BEACH, Sept. 20.—The unearthing of heretofore undiscovered bodies badly decomposed, by relief officials today, virtually doubled the death list in the Bellegrade and Pahokee area according to unverified but apparently accurate reports from that section. Commander J. McLellan in charge of relief work at Pahokee said that the death list in the Bellegrade and Pahokee district now totals 500 persons and estimated that the number might reach 1,000. His report nearly nearly doubles the death list for the entire area.

Reports from independent relief agencies verify McLellan's statements although the local Red Cross has not recognized the new death totals as official.

H. W. Hiatt, Palm Beach Agricultural agent, said here today following a tour of Bellegrade, South Bay, Ritta, Lorrey and Kraemer on Lake Okeechobee, that six hundred were reported dead and a like number missing, most of whom are believed to have been drowned when the lake dikes gave way Sunday night in the equinoctial hurricane.

Boosters to Leave Tomorrow at 9

The goodwill booster trip to San Angelo to advertise the Rannels County Fair and visit the All West Texas Exposition will leave here Friday morning at nine o'clock with the Ballinger band and all the boosters that can get in line at that time of day.

The band will play concerts on the down town streets and in the hotel lobbies tomorrow morning and will visit the fair grounds in the afternoon before going to the football game which will be played at the high school field.

The football team plans to leave Ballinger at about one o'clock and will get to San Angelo in time to rest for awhile before the game is called at 4:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cannon visited the San Angelo Fair on Wednesday.

Oklahoma Gives Al Smith Ovation

(International News Service Staff)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 20.—Governor Al Smith received the greatest ovation here today yet experienced on swinging through the west. The local papers estimated the crowd at more than 100,000 people. Democratic leaders said it was the greatest throng ever assembled in Oklahoma City. The governor speaks here tonight.

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Northcott and Mother Must Answer Charges

Fanatic Arrested; Threatens Raskob

(By International News Service)
NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—A man believed to be a fanatic was arrested in Philadelphia today charged with sending four letters to John J. Raskob, Democratic National Committee Chairman, threatening to blow up Raskob's home unless he send the writer \$100,000. It was revealed today.

The letters were traced to Frank Mooney who is held on a bond of \$10,000 at Philadelphia today.

New Airplane is Wrecked in Air

(By International News Service)
LE BOURGET, France, Sept. 20.—The Cievra Autogiro helicopter which successfully negotiated the English Channel and flew to Paris, was wrecked today when it crashed from a height of 600 feet. Don Juan De Cievra, inventor and pilot and one passenger were uninjured.

Otto Volzelsang who has been confined to his bed at his home on 13th street has recovered sufficiently to be up and about the place. His daughter, Mrs. Frank Marburger of San Antonio, who has been here at the bedside of her father and incidentally visiting her brothers and sisters, will return to her home Sunday.

TO GIVE GIRLS MOTOR TESTS

AUSTIN, Sept. 20.—Dr. D. K. Brace, professor of physical education at the University of Texas will assist the department of physical education training for women in registration this year by giving the girls motor ability tests.

"These tests will be given in groups," said Dr. Brace, "and will determine the girls' abilities in certain fields of activity. They will be grouped in classes according to their ability and this will aid the instructor in grading them. Some girls put very little into physical training, yet they do everything so easily that they get a much higher grade than those who are working harder with less ability. With this system of grading the girl will receive a grade which takes into consideration her natural ability."

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THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy and scattered showers.

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(By International News Service)
VANCOUVER, British Columbia, Sept. 20.—Closely guarded by Provincial Police, Gordon Stewart Northcott, the alleged abuser and slayer of at least four boys near Los Angeles, was to be returned here today for the California police. He was arrested at Okanagan Landing yesterday. His mother, Sarah Louisa Northcott has been arrested at Calgary. Both are named in the murder complaints in southern California. Northcott was unmoved and answered questions nonchalantly.

Hubert Zappe, Misses Francis Trail and Naomi McWilliams spent a very pleasant evening at the San Angelo Fair on Wednesday.

Mrs. C. A. Howard of Center, and her daughter, Miss Winnie, of Beaumont, are here visiting with the Misses McElroys, and Mrs. R. E. George.

Miss Fannie May Jackson who has been with McCarver & Lynn, has accepted a position with Blakely Smith & Co., steamship operators at Houston, Texas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackson of this city.

Mrs. L. C. Daugherty is, this week, visiting relatives in her former home, Texarkana.

Garland Parks, who travels for a moving picture production company, and covers several states when on his itinerary is here this week in the interest of his firm.

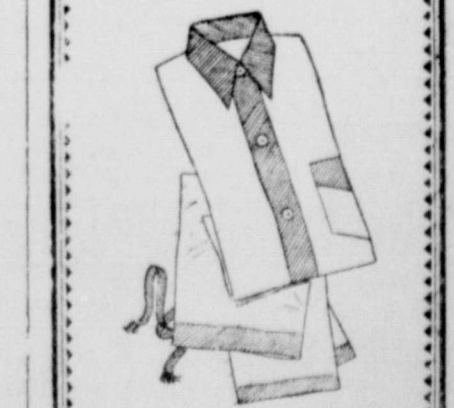
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The property owners on Eighth street and Broadway received their first paving notices Thursday that the first installment is now due on the paving. Those desiring, of course, are at liberty to pay it all at one time if they desire to do so.

The ginners' report of September 1 showed that the Runnels county cotton crop was considerably late. The same date of last year more than 2,000 bales had been ginned against the 490 for this year. According to cotton men here the 1928 crop will not get to moving at full speed until after the first of October.

The Coleman Democrat-Voice has just moved into a new building and now has one of the most modern newspaper plants in West Texas. Mr. H.H. Jackson, owner of the Democrat-Voice, is one of the most prosperous newspapermen in this section and his new business and building reflect the growth of Coleman in the last two years.

The threat of the city to have vacant lots cleaned and charge it against the property has done some good and many lots that were covered with weeds are as clean as pins. Smoke from trash fires can be seen every afternoon and morning and the people who are cooperating in this clean up move are to be congratulated. There are still some, however, who have made no move to do any work on their property or have it done and it's going to be up to the city in a few days to make good its threat.


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Miss Wilke Marie Ryster returned to her home in Morgan, after a visit here with relatives and friends.

Kirk Gregory left Wednesday for Stamford, where he will be for some time as the managing head of a drug store, owned by Geo. P. Holman of this city. Mr. Gregory is not moving to Stamford, but will be there until a suitable man can be found to run the place of business.

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J. McGregor Noel Penn Secy. H. P.

Says a Mason Disloyal If Opposes Al Smith On Religious Grounds

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—A Freemason is disloyal to his order and betrays it if he opposes Governor Smith's election to the presidency because the governor is a Catholic, Supreme Court Justice Townsend Scudder, of New York, in a letter to William Ritchie, Jr., of Omaha, Nebraska, under date of September 11.

On August 29, Mr. Ritchie, who is chairman of the Smith-for-President Clubs in Nebraska, telegraphed to Justice Scudder as follows:

"I understand you are a former Grand Master of Masons and that you are supporting Alfred E. Smith for president. A number of Masons in our state are doing likewise, but some are telling me that the Masons are for Hoover, which I, of course, dispute. I would appreciate a wire from you advising me of your reasons for supporting Governor Smith."

The telegram was forwarded to Justice Scudder at Chocoma, New Hampshire, and he replied as follows:

"My dear Brother Ritchie: You ask why I, a Freemason, support Governor Smith, a Catholic, for the presidency of the United States.

"There is no connection between my Freemasonry, the Governor's Catholicism and my advocacy of his election as president. Freemasonry has no concern with any man's religion other than to exact of its members belief in God and moral lives. Governor Smith is a God fearing man, a churchman and lives a moral life. Freemasonry has no concern with politics other than to urge its members to be loyal citizens obedient to the laws of their country. I, then, as a Freemason am bound to uphold the constitution and the laws of my country. These forbid a religious test as a qualification for public office.

"It follows then that a Freemason is disloyal to his order and betrays it who opposes Governor Smith's election solely because the governor is a Catholic, and such a one also is disloyal to our country because he applies a religious test as a qualification for office which the constitution of the United States forbids.

"You are right, I have been Grand Master of Masons in the state of New York. It follows that I have given time and thought to Free-

masonry, am beholden to it and am influenced by its high ideals. Freemasonry teaches belief and faith in God and love of man; it exhorts us to service, and commands us to be tolerant and charitable toward our fellows.

"Study Governor Smith's public record, scrutinize his private life, note how they square with these teachings, and you, as a Mason, will understand why I support his candidacy.

"To great ability, vast experience, high courage and deep human understanding he brings rare discrimination, keen judgment and a full consciousness of the responsibility of leadership. He is free of guile and pretense. His tastes are wholesome and simple. His life is kindly, his thoughts pure.

"The real worth in a man and not his station or wealth makes appeal to Governor Smith. He loves, understands and trusts the people. He is confident that prosperity and happiness for our people will be found in the institutions of our country under our constitution.

"Governor Smith to my mind typifies the spirit and genius of America. His life and attainments are, and ever will be an inspiration to our youth. I support him for the Presidency for the very reasons which impelled my forebears to support Abraham Lincoln."

Justice Scudder is a former member of congress and has served as a member of the Supreme Court bench of New York state almost continually since 1907. His home is at Glen Head, Long Island.

Ernest Moody is today putting the finishing touches on a new home in the western part of the city, where he will make his home, expecting to complete moving Thursday.

Ice cold melons one cent pound at Piggly Wiggly.

Border Trips are Planned for Legionnaires

(By International News Service)

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 20.—Plans for entertaining American Legionnaires and Auxiliary members on side trips to the Mexican border during their national convention at San Antonio Oct. 8-12, are near completion, according to Walton D. Hood, Texas Department commander and Ross Cole, adjutant.

Final plans for the excursion to the lower Rio Grande Valley have been worked out. Trains will leave San Antonio over the Southern Pacific Friday night and arrive at Edinburg the following morning, Oct. 13, for breakfast, after which an automobile tour of the valley will be made. After a barbecue luncheon at Progresso, the tourists will visit other towns on their way to Brownsville and Matamoros. A Mexican game dinner will be served at Matamoros restaurants followed by a Spanish fiesta in the evening on the plaza. The town will be elaborately decorated.

Leaving Brownsville over the Missouri Pacific, the party will go to Corpus Christi. Arrangements there are in the hands of Dewitt McGee, commander of the Legion Post; C. H. Grett, adjutant, and officials of the chamber of commerce.

Among the events at Corpus Christi are a fish fry on the beach at noon, an oyster bake at night, free boat rides, sight seeing trips and a bathing girl revue.

From Corpus Christi an automobile tour will be conducted to Kingsville and the King ranch. Plans for the transportation and entertainment on this phase of the tour were worked out with Sam Finable, Jr., post commander and other Kingsville Legion officials. Visitors at the King ranch will see cowboy life as it is

lived on one of the nation's largest ranches, with exhibitions of cowboy stunts. Excursions will also be run to Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras and to Laredo and Nueva Laredo, where bull fights and Spanish fiestas will be staged.

Mrs. W. Bird Lewis of Coleman has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert N. Newsome of this city, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Denny have moved here from Brownwood to make their home in Ballinger.

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MOVIES

"Big Noise" Riotous Hit

One of the most unusual and delightful pictures we have recently seen opened at the Palace Theatre yesterday. It is First National's "The Big Noise," a sizzling satire on sensational journalism and metropolitan politics, replete with humor, pathos and gripping drama. It is from the pen of Ben Hecht, noted novelist and former Chicago newspaperman.

Chester Conklin is in the featured leading role, as a "dumb" subway guard who is picked up and exploited as a hero by a New York tabloid in order to further the cause of its mayoralty candidate who is campaigning against the traction company.

A snappy but pleasing love story runs through the picture, with Alice White and Jack Egan doing some very good work as juveniles.

Sam Hardy gives one of his usual witty performances as Philip Hurd, an ex-subway guard, who is now owner of a jumping tub concession at Coney Island, and whom Conklin, in the role of John Sloval, the subway guard, admires above all other men as a success in life. Hardy desires Alice White's hand in marriage, and Conklin readily promises it without, however, doing much consulting with his daughter.

Conklin gives the best performance of his career in this role. It is filled not only with the comedy for which he is famous, but also with a tremendous amount of pathos. There is a real heart throb in the picture when the man who has been made a hero through sheer newspaper exploitation, and who has almost come to believe it, finds himself after election day completely

dropped from the headlines in favor of a new champion "flagpole sitter." Bodil Kosing, remembered as the maid in "Sunrise," plays her role as Conklin's wife smoothly and convincingly.

Scenic Beauties of Bad Lands In "Wild West Romance"

There are many beautiful spots seldom visited among the "bad lands" of Arizona. Some of them, near the town of Douglas in that state, are of a rugged grandeur that have no equal anywhere. Here, too, are winding trails once traversed by gold prospectors whose remnants of wagons, abandoned in the long ago, are almost buried beneath the shifting sands. Log cabins that once sheltered pioneers are scattered here and there, and what were once fertile fields are barren wastes reclaimed by the desert.

Strangely enough this country and it was for that reason that Fox Films recently sent a company of players to that locality to picture its latest photodrama, "Wild West Romance." This is a story of today in which Rex Bell, these producers' newest find, plays the stellar role.

Previews of the picture have won the enthusiastic praise of reviewers not only for the splendid story and the fine acting of Bell and his company, but also for the beauty of the backgrounds, which surpass in interest many so-called scenic.

"Wild West Romance" is an original story written by John Stone, well known scenarist of outdoor pictures, especially for Rex Bell. It will be the feature attraction at the Palace Theatre for two days commencing Friday.

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Local Man Clears Mystery Of Missing Confederate Currency

The following article having appeared in a recent issue of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, is of local interest as indicated by footnote:

The legendary absence of \$200,000 in United States currency, the rumored booty of a Confederate army officer and his men, who captured a Northern steamboat in Tennessee during the Civil War, was partly cleared up Friday afternoon by Alfred Small, 4408 Hemphill street, who knew the young officer, Maj. Jasper Dodson of Fort Worth, in Tennessee in 1863.

The tale of the lost money reappeared recently when Mrs. J. H. Page of Houston announced she had letters written by Constant Dodson of Fort Worth to Major Dodson, his son, during the war. The letters were found in an old trunk in a New Orleans attic.

Small, an aged man, said that Major Dodson left the trunk with his father at his Tennessee home in 1863 and that in 1865 Constant Dodson notified Small's father that the officer had been killed and asked him to forward the trunk to Fort Worth. The key was sent by letter and the trunk by boat, around by New Orleans and Galveston. It did not arrive, presumably being lost at New Orleans where it was found more than half a century later by Mrs. Page. Small said he saw the contents of the trunk and that it contained no money.

W. A. Hotman, 2435 South Jennings Avenue, husband of a granddaughter of Mrs. Luvina Dodson, wife of Constant Dodson, said he felt sure the trunk contained nothing of value. He and Horace Mitchell, grandson of Mrs. Dodson, went to Houston to obtain the letters from Mrs. Page. She was not in the city and the two returned immediately. Hotman said he said the key to the trunk has been lost many years. The letters will be sent to Mrs. Dodson.

Hotman said a mystery always has surrounded the death of Major Dodson, but that legend has it he was ambushed and killed in Tennessee after the close of the war, by whom is not known, pre-

sumably for the \$200,000 he was supposed to have taken during the war from the Yankee steamboat. It is not known, Hotman said where the officer was buried.

Although Hotman said the trunk contained no money, Dr. Page of Houston, wife of the finder of the trunk, told a Houston newspaperman it contained a large sum of worthless Confederate currency.

E. E. Holt of this city says he would guess that he has heard as much about and knows as much about the story of the mystery trunk as any man living today. His uncle, Captain John Martin who was in the Confederate army was present when the Federal ship above referred to was seized and was said to have come home with a literal armful of the currency taken from the ship. Mr. Holt states that Mr. Martin never wanted for anything during the rest of his life and that his children were also well fixed, he having secured a sufficient amount of the confiscated funds to live easy the rest of his life. Mr. Holt says he has no idea that the Dodson above referred to was present at the time the boat was seized although he may have shared in the booty which was divided among the Confederate army in that locality.

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Special occasions, such as the Winters games, will be announced from time to time in these columns.

H. C. LYON, Supt.

CONTRIBUTION FROM HOOVER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Herbert Hoover will contribute to the Democratic campaign funds. He will, of course, do so indirectly, if not unwillingly.

In order to carry on direction of his campaign, Mr. Hoover leased the palatial home of Mrs. Francois Berger Moran on Sheridan Circle. Mrs. Moran happens to be a very ardent supporter of Governor Smith and has promised to turn over the rent money to aid his campaign. Mrs. Moran is eighty-three years old and

comes from a distinguished line of Colonial ancestors and votes the straight Democratic ticket in Virginia.

FT. STOCKTON—The Lions Club here may sponsor the planting of elm trees as a civic development.

JUNCTION—A contract has been let for paving the streets in Junction.

GORMAN—The Gorman Fair will be held here October 18-20.

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Night Bridge Club Party
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Mr. and Mrs. Victor Miller were hosts at a cleverly planned party Tuesday evening, with their Night Bridge club members as guests.

The spacious entertaining rooms of this home on Sixth street were given a lovely floral decoration of Queen's wreath in profusion. The place cards were unique as also was the plan for finding partners for the two-hand games. Each guest was given the name of a modern writer and on the tallies were instructions as to what table and with whom each game should be played. Books were appropriately chosen as high score awards and were won by Mrs. Ira Sims and Will Doose.

Delicious homemade candies, cream and cake were passed to the following: Messrs. and Mrs. Joe Simmons, Will Doose, W. L. Bogle, M. S. Karmany, F. M. Pearce, R. E. Bruce, Mmes. Leslie Baker, Alex McGregor, Ira Sims, Bruce Creasy, Sim Cottelle, Miss Maggie Underwood and Harry Thomson.

Ann Kiechle Celebrates Sixth Birthday Tuesday
The Kiechle home on Fourth Street presented a festive appearance on Tuesday afternoon when little Miss Ann Kiechle was honored by her mother, Mrs. Fred Kiechle. The occasion was the sixth birthday of the honoree, who met the little guests at the door and received the many little pretty love-gifts from them.

Games dear to the hearts of children caused the afternoon hours to pass all too swiftly with the crowning event being the cutting of the birthday cake. The dining-room was beautifully decorated in pink and white. The table was centered with the cake, iced in white, with its tiny pink tapers in rose holders. Pink streamers fell from the chandelier to the four table corners, while each place was marked with a pink basket containing heart.

shaped candies and a pink napkin. The cake was cut and served with ice cream cones, vari-colored balloons were the favors given to guests.

Mmes. F. C. Dickey, Bruce Creasy, J. M. Osborne, A. J. Thorp, Pat Henry, and M. H. Watson assisted Mrs. Kiechle.

Included were: Ann Kiechle, Glenn Johnson of Robert Lee, Mildred Watson, Jane Cheatham, Mary Simpson, Wanda and Doris Lane, Madeline Healer, Irene Ludwig, Pauline Thorp, Virginia Cramer, Mary Lou and Ann Creasy, Lawrence Strain, Nan Marie Henry, Betty Lou Ogborn, Lillian Hamilton, Paul and Walter Trimmer, Bobby Penn, Ralph James Erwin, Robert Henry, K. V. Northington, Jr., T. J. Byers, Alvin Rue, Jr., Sim Cottelle, Jr., Billy Jack Connelly, Jimmy Dickey and Victor Miller, Jr.

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WILLING WORKERS CLUB

The club met Sept. 17 with watermelon feast which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Hollinsworth gave a demonstration on yeast bread.

We also had a pleasant chat about the decorating of our fair booth.

The club adjourned to meet at the Maverick auditorium Oct. 1. —Club Reporter.

GOVERNOR'S SISTER-IN-LAW WILL BE MARRIED SOON

(By International News Service)
AUSTIN, Sept. 18.—Miss Helen Paxton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Paxton, of Abilene, and sister of Mrs. Dan Moody, will be married here October 2nd to Weaver Moore, Houston attorney. Only members of the family and close friends of the bridegroom and bride will attend the ceremony.

The wedding will take place at the executive mansion, Gov. and Mrs. Moody will entertain with a family house party for the event.

Eugene Underwood has accepted a position with the Santa Fe railroad and is at present on duty at the Texas Compress company's plant here.

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New Men Are Hope of T. C. U. Grid Coach
(By International News Service)

FORT WORTH, Sept. 20.—Light scrimmage is the order of the day at Texas Christian University football camp, with Coach Matty Bell perfecting his offensive plays through dummy signals and passive blocking.

Several new prospects for center have undergone the inspection of Line Coach Edwin Kubale with the hope of discovering likely material for the pivot job. The graduation of both letter men at that position last year left the Frogs rather weak in the middle of the line. However, with Noble Atkins, 198 pounder from Crystal Falls and John Hirstine, former Fort Worth North Side High star reporting, Bell feels pretty secure on that score.

Atkins, who was a squadman last year showed up so well as a center during the spring football training that he is almost a cinch to land the job. Besides being an accurate passer, Noble is a good defensive man with plenty of

speed and ability to break up passes, tossed into the Frog flat zones. His greatest ability, however, lies in his "educated toe." Several times during the practice last season, Atkins scored field goals from the 40-yard line, and his aim is deadly inside the 30 yard marker. Bell will use him for all three tries and for kick after touch-down.

Hirstine is a veteran ball passer but is handicapped by his weight. Johnnie tips the scales at 160, rather light for a conference pivot man. He has plenty of light, however, and is fast. Robert "Sanddipper" George of Van Alstyne, a last year's squadman, is also out for center but he too, is hindered by a lack of weight.

Coach Bell, working with the largest squad ever to report to him since he has led the Purple, there being over 40 aspirants to the field, has been busily engaged in whipping the men into shape, and reports good progress.

Seven of last year's letter men

are reporting. They include Lester Brumbelow, Jackboro, guard; Fain Reynolds, Aledo, guard; Buck Barr, Kaufman, tackle; Captain J. C. Williams, Fort Worth; and C. J. Morgan, San

Angelo, half. About this nucleus of veterans Bell is building his 1928 contenders.

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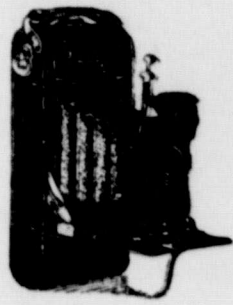
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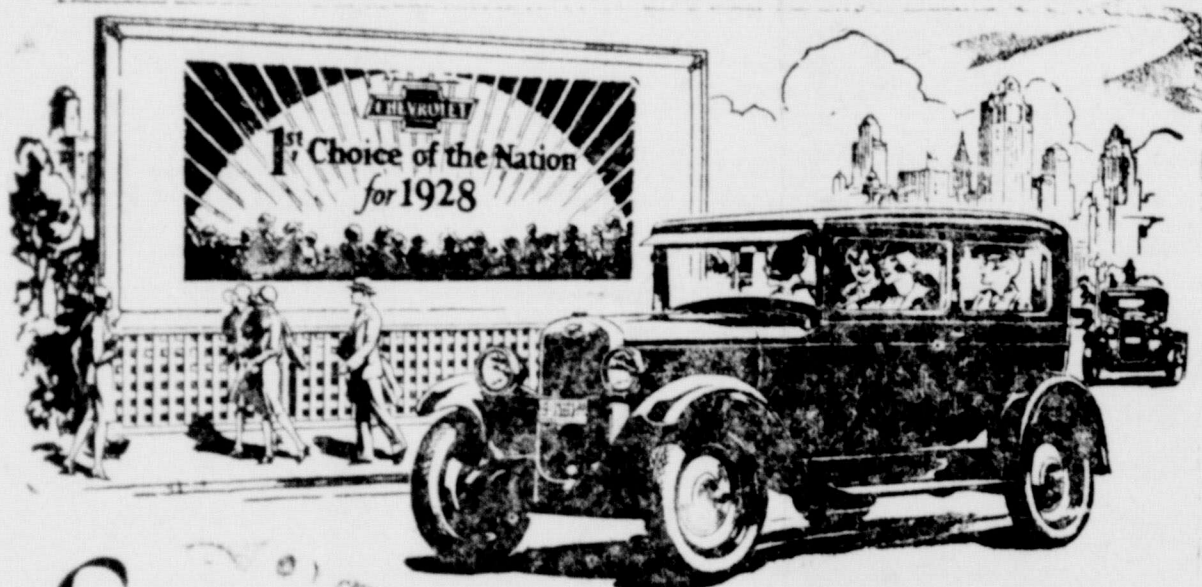
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