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Farm and Home Special to be Here Friday

County Meet to Open In Ballinger March 11

Friday and Saturday of this week hundreds of boys and girls will come here to participate in the county interscholastic meet. With them will come their teachers and parents besides other students who will come here to witness the contests.

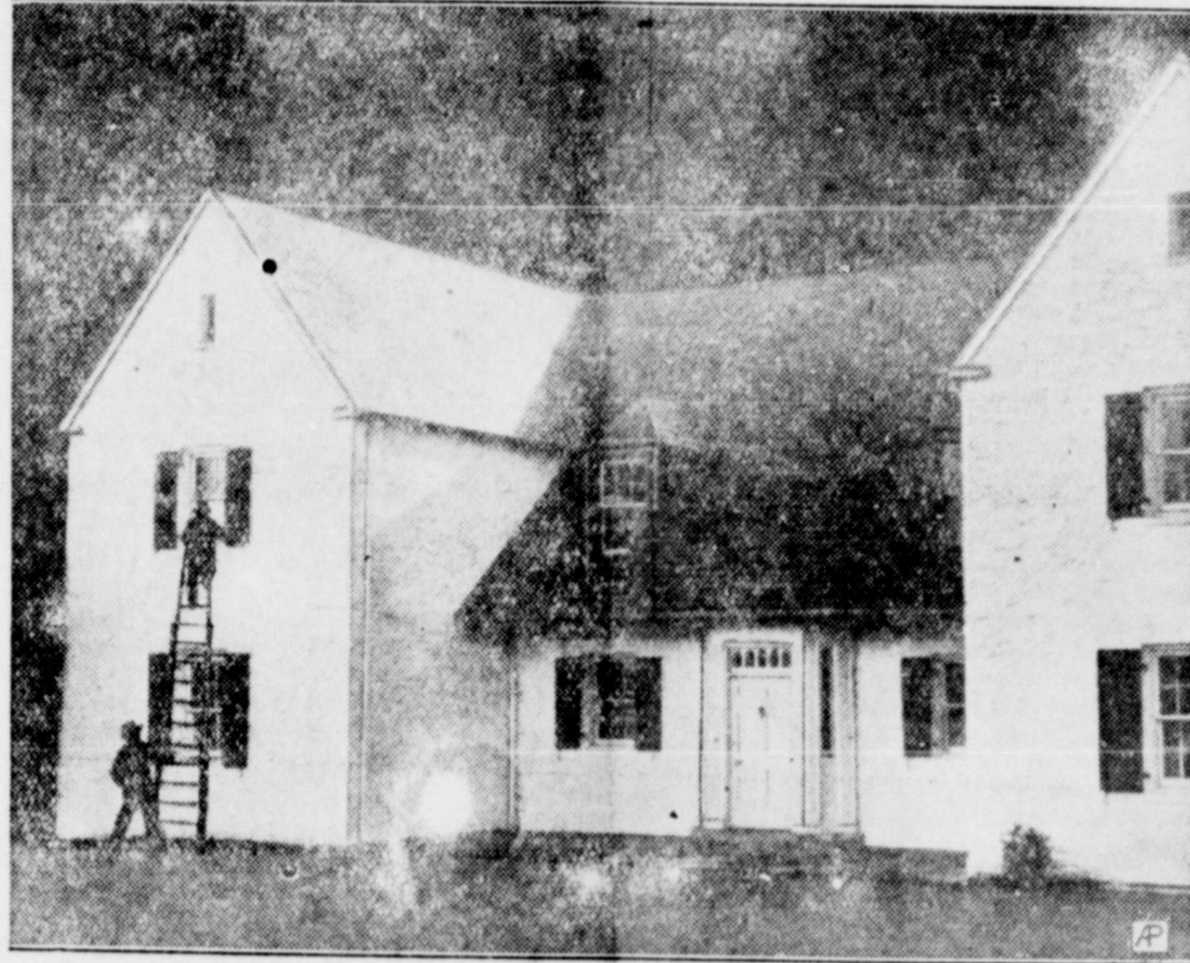
Entry blanks were pouring into the county superintendent's office over the week-end from all schools in the county. Supt. R. E. White, director of the meet, will arrange all contests from the entry blanks received. Over 100 teachers will be here the two days, assisting in conducting the meet. Judges and officials have been secured and plans are ready for one of the most successful meets ever held in the county. Awards are posted for individual winners and championship teams. Some of these trophies are now in possession of schools of the county but must be won three consecutive times before becoming permanent property of the winner. One new award is posted this year for the first time. The West Texas Utilities Company of Ballinger has donated a beautiful silver loving cup which will go to the all round champion class B rural school.

The first events will commence Friday morning in the high school building and on the campus. Tennis, volley ball and playground ball games will take place on the campus all day Friday. A number of games of playground ball will be played at the same time in order to complete this event by Saturday noon. Practically all schools of the county will send teams here, both boys and girls, and it will require a great deal of time by the elimination process to decide champions.

Track and field events will be held Saturday afternoon at Fair Park. The competitions will open soon after the lunch hour and officials will keep the contestants working fast until the finals are played. Juniors will compete in a separate division. Class B and class A schools will also compete separately.

A small admission charge will be made for attendance on the meet. This money will be used to help defray the expenses of holding the contests, paying officials and incidentals. All events will be interesting and citizens are invited to witness them. For the convenience of the public season tickets will be sold.

Here's the Scene of the Kidnaping of the Lindbergh Heir



Kidnapers who stole the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh from the nursery of their farm home, shown above, left a note on the outer window of the nursery, indicating that they had entered the room through this window. Picture shows an artist's conception of the actual kidnaping.

Grand Jury Finds 11 Bills; Adjourns

The Runnels county grand jury adjourned Monday afternoon after reconvening for one day. Eleven bills, all felonies, were returned and a number of misdemeanor cases were referred to the attention of the county attorney for further investigation.

The following report was made to District Judge O. L. Parish before the jury adjourned:

"To the Honorable District Court of the 119th Judicial District, State of Texas:

"Greetings:
"We, your grand jury have investigated all violations of the law that have been presented for our consideration, having examined forty witnesses, and from such evidence as has been brought before us have found eleven true bills.

"Evidence in several misdemeanor cases has been turned over to the county attorney for attention.

"We have inspected the county jail and have found that it is in good condition and the prisoners well cared for.

"We wish to thank the county and district attorneys for their cooperation, and the bailiffs for their efficient work.

"Respectfully submitted,
"Wm. Doose,
"Foreman."

A jury was selected Monday

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Clerks' Group Elects Miss G. Singletary

Miss Georgia Singletary, district clerk of Runnels county, was elected vice-president of the North Texas Auxiliary of the County and District Clerks Association at its convention in Fort Worth Saturday morning. The convention was held in Fort Worth Friday and Saturday with a large attendance of members from the section of the state included in the auxiliary.

Orville Beall, of Fort Worth, was named president, and Miss Belle Welborn, of Abilene, secretary-treasurer. At the closing session it was voted that next year's meeting be held at Abilene.

Special entertainment was provided for the convention by organizations of Fort Worth and a number of luncheons and banquets were held. A dinner dance was given Friday evening at a downtown hotel.

Miss Singletary returned to Ballinger Sunday night after attending all sessions of the convention.

Road Contractors Making Progress

Grading contractors on highway 4 in Concho county are finishing their work this week and will be ready within a few days to move machinery and teams to other locations. The first section of this road contracted for grading and drainage structures is from the Runnels county line to a point six miles south of Paint Rock. During the past week-end this lap was finished with exception of a small amount of re-touching and when this is done the job will be turned over to the state. Since the main part of this roadbed has been constructed much rain has fallen, causing it to settle rapidly and it will soon be in excellent condition for surfacing.

On this same stretch of road is a bridge across the Concho River, a few hundred yards below the old bridge. Work began on this structure before Christmas and excellent progress is being made. Much of the dirt work included in this contract has been completed, one pier has been poured and a number of the concrete footings have been completed for the I-beams. The bridge when completed will be more than 1,000 feet long, one of the largest in this section of the state.

The Trinity Farm & Gravel Company, contractors on the first job let on highway No. 9 from the Tom Green county line, have their crews organized and machinery on location to begin work this week. They will start grading and construction of small drainage structures at the same time and have fine equipment for rushing the work. The contract was let by the state highway commission for completion of the road, including triple-A surfacing. Much of the old right-of-way will be used for this route and the roadbed will not require much time for setting.

The D. F. Jones Construction Company building the railroad overpass and Elm Creek bridge here are setting a fast pace. Dirt work has been filled in and a number of the I-beams between the A. & S. right-of-way and the creek have been completed. Excavations for other piers, and footings are about ready for the concrete forms. Night and day crews are being operated.

White Brothers are still grading on highway No. 23 between Ballinger and Talpa.

Mrs. W. B. Halley returned Sunday evening from Fort Worth and Dallas, where she visited friends over the week-end.

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Lindbergh Baby is Still Missing; No New Clues

First Picture



This picture of the kidnaped Lindbergh baby, the first ever made, was taken July 9, 1930, when he was two weeks old. It is one of the few ever taken of the child.

A. F. Ligon, principal of the Ballinger high school, returned Sunday from Fort Worth, where he had been on business.

County Roads are Being Graded Now

County Commissioner T. J. Parrish is using all road machinery available here to recondition roads in the precinct. Recent rains put dirt grades in bad condition and complete new grades are being thrown up and smoothed and all drain ditches opened.

Drainage structures on the roads supervised by Mr. Parrish are in fine condition. Many wooden spans have been replaced by metal and concrete culverts during the past twelve months and a number of cement dips have been built at places which have previously caused trouble for motorists. Mr. Parrish estimated that he has constructed about 40 per cent of the permanent type of drainage structures in the precinct during the past year and by the end of 1932 expects to have 60 per cent of this work finished.

He has also centered much effort to caliche topping of bad spots on roads and this has improved many roads that lead to paved highways.

SLIGHT DAMAGE DONE BY WIND FRIDAY NIGHT

A number of sections of the city reported slight damage from the hard wind Friday night. Trees were injured and a number of trellis vine supports about porches were blown down. No serious damage was reported, however, from the wind that blew out of the north for several hours.

A full week has passed and still Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr., has not been found. The 19 months old baby was taken from his crib at the Lindbergh home near Hopewell, New Jersey, last Tuesday night has caused an entire nation to become aroused and master detectives have centered all their efforts in tracking down the kidnapers and returning the baby to its agonized parents, but so far all have failed.

Newspapers, attempting to give accurate information on the case, have conflicted in some respects in the last several days as interviews given out by the investigators have differed.

Cranks all over the nation have flooded the Lindberghs with fake "tips" and many others seeking the spotlight have sent notes purporting to be from the kidnapers.

Two new notes believed to be from the kidnapers were announced Tuesday morning and it is believed that the abductors have been in communication with the parents.

No confirmation or discussion of the information concerning the kidnapers' notes could be obtained at the Lindbergh home.

Two notes were received Sunday by the Lindberghs. One was typewritten, but handwriting experts agreed the other was in the same writing as a ransom demand left behind last Tuesday night by the kidnapers as they fled with the child.

All three notes were on the same kind of paper. The last two bore the same postmark. Both described the baby as safe and well.

The source of this information supplied these details despite a puzzling series of public statements by officials.

Telephone lines leading to the home have been opened for public use in the hope that the child stealers would use them to communicate with the parents and arrange a settlement. Underworld characters have been named by Col. Lindbergh to act as "go-betweens." A statement from these agents declared they would act fully, giving their word to protect those who have the baby. Radio stations have assisted in the search and ministers of every denomination have urged the criminals to give the child up, offering their homes, institutions and churches as safe places for a conference.

At Newark, N. J., Henry ("Red") Johnson, sweetheart of Betty Gow, nurse of the Lindbergh baby, is still being grilled by

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Local Leaders to Farm Loan Meet

C. W. Lehmburg, Will Doose, August Vogelsang and R. G. Erwin, members of the federal farm loan board for Runnels county, left Tuesday morning for Abilene to attend a district meeting. Owen Sherrill, regional supervisor of the Dallas office, will explain the loan features and how to use the application blanks.

Following the meeting at Abilene, Mr. Lehmburg said a meeting would be held here to determine what days in each week the local office would be kept open to assist farmers in filing applications. There is no money available for operating county headquarters and it will be impossible to maintain an office in Ballinger on full time, Mr. Lehmburg believes.

Blanks for the use of boards and community committees have been received by the county agent. Some of these blanks will be sent to the Winters office and the remainder kept by the county office here.

Federal loans will be available to farmers for buying seed, feed for work-stock and fuel for tractors. Conditions under which farmers may apply for these loans will be explained at the district meeting Tuesday and the details published soon.

By Frank I. Weller

(Associated Press Farm Editor)

WASHINGTON, March 7.—

In an almost overnight change Secretary Hyde has diverted from the regular seed loan office of the department of agriculture to an entirely new and separate organization the \$50,000,000 congress appropriated for direct loans to farmers.

There will be no essential dif-

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The Santa Fe farm and home special will arrive in Ballinger next Friday evening at 7:30 and will immediately be thrown open to citizens of this county. This train is operated by the Santa Fe railroad in cooperation with the extension service of A. & M. College. Nine cars will make up the train.

During the past week efforts have been made to attract large attendance to the demonstration train. Announcements have been made through the rural schools of the county and at all club meetings attended by the county agent and home demonstration agent.

There will be no charge of any kind for attending the lectures and inspecting the exposition. It is a free service and one that should be of interest to every person growing crops or livestock and every housewife. There are special features for the women and children in addition to the main agricultural projects which deal with the principal industry of this section.

The train will be spotted on a side-track near the Santa Fe passenger station and electricians will be ready upon arrival to make connections so that machinery aboard the train may be operated and lights turned on. The entire evening will be spent in Ballinger and the train will be open from 7:30 until the last visitor leaves.

A flat car will be equipped with electrically controlled voice amplifiers and everyone will be able to hear perfectly. Those desiring may remain seated in the coaches and listen to the lecturers. These speakers are the leading farm specialists of the Southwest and the program is based on results of experiments made by the extension service of A. & M. over a long period.

Bailey Mack, of Winters, attended to business in Ballinger Monday.

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turns. However, with all markets at low ebb, people must have confidence that better times are ahead and look at other benefits to be derived from diversification. Raising a living on the farm is possible. Plenty of pantries in this county are stocked from products grown here. Gardens will soon offer more food for table consumption, feed for livestock is plentiful making it possible for the farmer to raise his own meat, care for his poultry, and probably best of all diversification is preserving the fertility of the soil.

HOW'S your HEALTH



HEREDITY AND FATALISM

To an incredibly large number of persons heredity seems like a grim and inescapable force from whose inscrutable operations there is no deliverance. This conception of heredity is faulty, partly because under the term heredity there are commonly included a vast number of diverse forces, and because there is little distinction made between the true heredity and the accidentally inherited conditions. Let this appear to be a splitting of hairs, let us hasten to illustrate the difference. The color of one's eyes, and the straightness or curl of one's hair are true inherited factors. Hemophilia, or a failure of the blood to coagulate properly is a disease condition transmitted hereditarily from parents to offspring; so, too, is albinism, a condition of extreme blindness in which nearly all pigment is absent from skin, hair and eyes. Syphilis, however, is not an hereditarily transmitted disease. It is congenital. Whatever may render the new born child infected was not resident in the cells through the union of which the child was begotten. In no aspect of its operations is heredity more baffling to the lay person than in the so-called hereditary transmission of a tendency to disease. Numerous careful studies have demonstrated that there is such a transmission of tendencies. But—and this is the important and practical point—the existence of a tendency toward a disease does not mean that it will develop into an actuality, do what we may. It is possible by relieving the strain to keep the human machine from breaking at its weak points. Many a frail constitution, with a full knowledge of its frailty has been kept intact and working, precisely because its frailty was known. Voltaire's long life is a point in illustration.

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 WHEREAS, on the 1st day of March, 1924, Neva J. Blair (a feme sole) executed a deed of trust conveying to W. N. Tolleson as Trustee, the Real Estate hereinafter described, to secure Security Mortgage Company of Texarkana, Arkansas, on payment of a debt therein described, said Deed of Trust being recorded in Volume 22, Page 291, in the Deed of Trust Records of Runnels County, Texas; and WHEREAS, Default has occurred in the payment of said indebtedness, and the same is now wholly due, and the owner and holder of said debt has requested the undersigned (substitute Trustee) to sell said property to satisfy said indebtedness;

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On Friday evening at 7:30 Runnels county people will be presented with their second short course this year. A short course just completed was enjoyed by many farmers and their families and in some respects the special train here Friday night of this week will be even more interesting and entertaining although not as lengthy. Everything is free and every citizen of this and nearby counties is invited. For several years Ballinger staged a county-wide Easter egg hunt on the Saturday preceding the holiday. By letting the hens help the rabbits a little this year the affair could be staged for small expense and at the same time aid poultry raisers by offering a market for their "fruit." Hundreds of children of all ages gathered here for the hunts in previous years and another large crowd would be attracted by a similar program. Since the abduction of Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr., the entire nation has watched eagerly for some word of the return of the baby to his parents. Charlie has become "the baby" to millions. The crime is declared by some detectives to be the work of amateurs but still a whole week has passed and seemingly little has been accomplished. Those who have fought for years for a federal law against kidnaping with "teeth" in it, are in the majority and congress probably will pass an act of this nature. Ballinger should be crowded Friday and Saturday of this week. One big event will be the gathering here of pupils from nearly every school in the county to participate in the county interscholastic meet, and another will be the visit here Friday evening of the Santa Fe farm and home "special." In the school meet thirty-eight of the forty-four rural schools of the county have sent in entry blanks and more than 600 students will contest for honors. This means that many parents will also come to see their children perform and many visitors are assured for the two days. It is also nearing the season when people think of Easter and dressing up in new spring togs. Several Ballinger firms are staging special events for this week-end and they invite the many visitors to see the displays of new merchandise. All local citizens should consider themselves on the reception committee and do anything they can for the success of the two forthcoming events. Diversification is almost a worn-out word and yet agricultural leaders are stressing it more than ever. Cotton acreage has been cussed, discussed, legislated and yet the problem remains in about the same status, it being left up to the farmer to decide how much of his land he will plant in the one-time "money" crop. The farmer wonders what to plant this year. The country is full of feed, small grain produced a big surplus last year and with a poor market many granaries are still full. Truck farmers made a good crop but received little for their efforts. Poultry and its by-products are the cheapest in a decade, dairying is said to be offering very little in cash re-



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Tom Connally, Soldier-Politician, Fights Now On Floor of the Senate

By Herbert Plummer
 WASHINGTON, March 7.—(AP)—Senator Tom Connally of Texas twice in his career has quit the job he was doing at the moment to shoulder a gun and go away to fight in some war. Back in 1898, he cut short his law course at the University of Texas to join the Second Texas Infantry and fight in the Spanish-American War. He came out of that scrap a regimental sergeant-major. In 1918 he left his seat in congress to serve as a captain and adjutant with the 11th division in the World War. Service in these two wars and years of work in congress have made of him as thorough a soldier as a politician. When he is given the opportunity to combine the two, as he had the other day in the Senate when he lashed out at the critics of Jack Garner, he is hard to handle.



He returned in kind. He remembers Names Personally Connally is popular. He has a retentive memory for names and faces. His favorite greeting of a constituent or friend is to call him by his first name and middle initial—a valuable asset in the makeup of a man in politics. He is as popular among members of the House as he is in the Senate. He served there 12 years before he moved across the hill. He never has lost contact with the House. He is still "Tom" to about everybody in the House—not "Senator."

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Brookhart of Iowa as well as Republicans in general were characteristically delivered. Connally was a county prosecuting attorney before he came to congress and learned then how to take care of himself in a rough and tumble battle of words. The cracks of Moses and Brookhart—two of the Senate's most deadly marksmen—didn't seem to bother him.

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RAVEN BEARS LEG BAND

A raven or crow, we're not exactly sure just which it was, was caught in a steel trap which L. G. Goets set on top of his fence lot on the 19 of last month. The bird's leg bore a copper band, which was inscribed with the following message: "Notify Biological Survey, Washington, D. C. 648,837." Mr. Goets has notified the department of his catching the bird and has received a reply thanking him for the notification.—Winters Enterprise.

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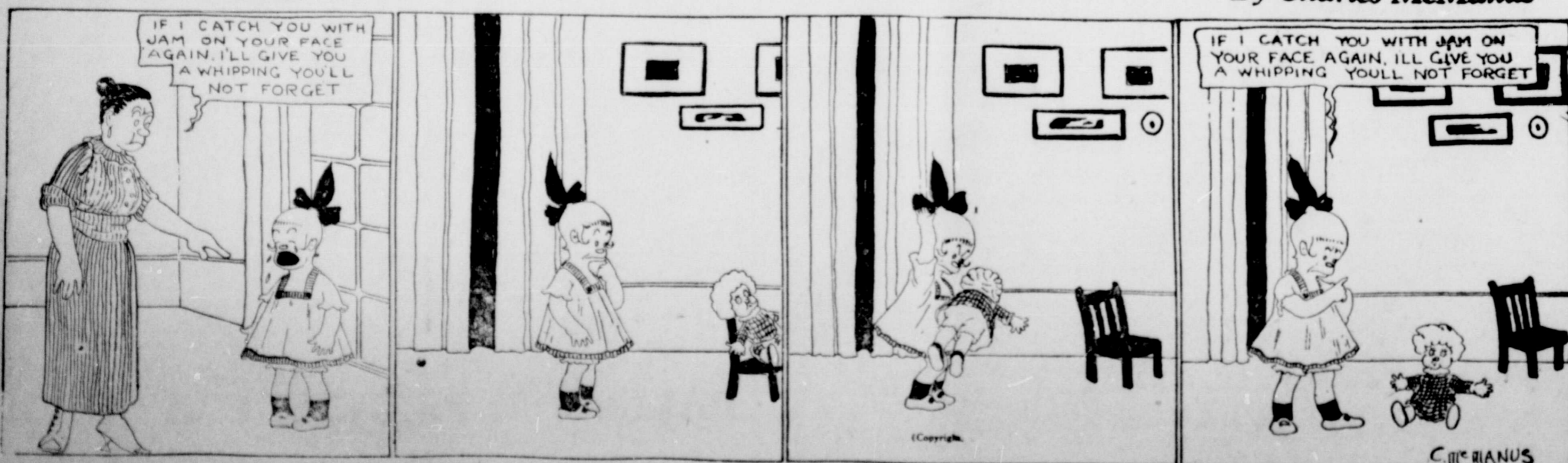
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- For District Attorney: W. A. STROMAN
- For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMIER, J. N. KEY, VICTOR MILLER
- For Sheriff: W. A. HOLT, W. S. (Bill) BYARS
- For County Attorney: ROY L. HILL
- For Tax Collector: W. A. FORGEY
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- For District Clerk: GEORGIA SINGLETARY
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