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## Oklahoma City Papers Will Support Hoover

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., Aug. 13.—E. K. Gaylord, publisher of the Daily Oklahoman and the Oklahoma City Times, two of the largest Democratic newspapers in the State, announced Monday that the papers would support the candidacy of Herbert Hoover the Republican presidential nominee.

The publisher said the newspapers "will not join the Republican party; but neither are they going to join a liquor movement."

Mr. Hoover would "waste no useless efforts on prohibition modification," if elected, Gaylord said. He asserted Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York, the Democratic presidential candidate, would "concentrate his efforts on the modification of the Volstead act," and added that the Oklahoman and the Times "will not assist in building up a purely liquor party nor undertake a campaign to overthrow the Eighteenth Amendment."

The Tulsa Tribune, another of the larger Democratic newspapers of Oklahoma, declared for Hoover almost immediately after his nomination.

## STITH BOY SCOUTS RE-ORGANIZE 14th.

The Boy Scouts of Stith and others interested in the Scout movement, met last Tuesday evening in the tabernacle for the purpose of reorganizing and electing patrol leaders, etc.

Mr. M. E. West is Scout Master of the Stith organization. Superintendent of Schools, C. J. Deavers, and Principal J. S. Bridges, were made assistant Scout Masters.

Clark Mundy was elected Senior Patrol Leader. Other patrol leaders are: Willie Lightsey, Stiles Watson, Vernon Hudson, and Jesse Hudson.

The Council Committee consists of Messrs. W. A. Ford, W. C. Church and J. D. Bradley, prominent citizens of the Stith community.

## MILLIONTH CHEVROLET IN 1928 EXPECTED IN NEXT SEPTEMBER

With production of fourteen great Chevrolet factories running at a record pace for this period of the year and sales continuing at the highest summer level in the history of the company, W. S. Knudsen, president of the Chevrolet Motor Company and R. H. Grant, vice president in charge of sales, left Detroit last week for a three weeks' business tour of the entire western half of the United States.

In the course of the tour, which will include the leading business centers of the west, the Chevrolet executives will visit with Chevrolet dealers in each community, discuss individual dealers problems and study local business conditions as they pertain to Chevrolet.

Before leaving Detroit, Mr. Knudsen announced that production in the first seven months of the year to August first totalled 869,297 cars and trucks, breaking by a wide margin all former marks for this period and definitely indicating that the millionth car built in 1928 will come off the production line early in September. More than 800,000 of the "Bigger and Better" model are now in the hands of owners.

Included among the cities to be visited on the executive tour are the following and will be visited in this order: Chicago, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Butte and Minneapolis. In Kansas City, Mr. Knudsen and Mr. Grant will check the progress of construction work on the newest Chevrolet assembly plant now rising in that city. When completed this fall it will have a capacity of 350 cars a day and will bring Chevrolet's production facilities up to 1,250,000 units annually.

The party will return to Detroit September first in time to witness the production of the millionth Chevrolet about ten days later.

Mr. Knudsen, very clever employe of the Arcade, left this week for his old home in Alabama.

Mr. Knudsen is very thankful to the people of this city, for the most delicious meal he has ever seen or tasted, and for his own "back-yard

## R. M. PARKER, FORMER MERKEL TEACHER, DIES IN FORT WORTH

R. M. Parker, principal of Polytechnic High School, died at 11:30 o'clock last night in a Fort Worth hospital. His death was caused by heart failure, when it was believed that he was recovering from a minor abdominal operation performed two weeks ago.

Parker came to Fort Worth in 1918, before the Polytechnic school system was annexed by the city schools. He was appointed superintendent in Polytechnic, and served in that capacity until the mid-term of 1922, when the city took over the schools in that section of Fort Worth. He then became principal of the high school.

Last year Parker received the degree of M. A. from Texas Christian University. His Bachelor's Degree was from a Mississippi College, Mississippi being his home before he came to Texas.

Previous to his Fort Worth residence, Parker was Principal in the Merkel Schools, and had many friends here who will regret to learn of his death.

## Liberty Hardware Will Open A New Store At Trent

The managers and owners of the Liberty Hardware Company in this city announce that some time next week they will open in the city of Trent a branch store, which will be a modern and up-to-date hardware establishment.

The men composing this store are capable hardware men, and hustlers from the word "go", and will no doubt enjoy their share of the business in this line in that thriving little city. Watch for their announcement in this paper next week.

## PLYMOUTH CALLED TRIUMPH OF STANDARDIZED QUALITY

"The new Plymouth is the triumph of the principle of Standardized Quality. Without it the car it is would not have been possible."

That is the tribute which J. W. Frazer, Chrysler and Plymouth Sales Manager, pays this famous Chrysler principle.

Standardized Quality is given the credit by Mr. Frazer for making the new Plymouth the largest, roomiest and most powerful car of low price on the market, and for including in it feature after feature heretofore possible only to higher priced automobiles.

"No car in the low-priced field hitherto has been so large, so comfortable and so roomy," he says. "No car in that field ever has enjoyed its smoothness of operation, which extends throughout its speed range; has afforded the buyer such luxuriousness of body interiors; been as comfortable over rough roads or smooth pavement; had its surplus power always available for every driving need; had the benefit of its symmetry of design; enjoyed the advantages of high compression; been equipped with internal expanding four wheel hydraulic brakes; had its engine literally floating in rubber, further to promote the advantages of smoothness by destroying the transmission of torque impulses and road shocks, and enjoyed a host of other refinements heretofore unknown to the low-priced field."

"Yet the buyer in that field has wanted those features and is entitled to every one of them. It simply has been impossible up to the Plymouth's advent for that man to secure them."

"Chrysler's principle of Standardized Quality has brought to the Plymouth the benefit of every Chrysler achievement in design, engineering, experiment, research, metallurgy, chemistry and physics, just as it has made those accomplishments possible in every one of its other cars. Chrysler has believed that there has been an obvious need in the low-priced field for finer, smarter cars. The reception accorded the Plymouth is abundant proof that Chrysler is right. Utterly unlike any other motor car at anything like its price, the Plymouth has already begun to revolutionize the entire field of low-priced cars."

"In addition to bestowing all these features on the new car, Chrysler standardized Quality also insures that every Plymouth rotating and reciprocating part is in perfect balance before assembly. Fine precision methods insure that the owner actually receives the performance its engineers designed into the car."

## EIGHT NEW TESTS WILL BE STARTED IN TINER POOL

One rig is up and another is being assembled for new tests in the Tiner oil pool of Jones, twelve miles northwest of Merkel. In addition, reports in Abilene indicate that six other new operations for that district likely will be announced shortly.

Robert Oil Corporation-Cosden & Company have completed a rig on their No. 4 J. H. Grayson, located 300 feet north of their No. 3 Grayson, the best producer completed in the Tiner field since the discovery well drilled by Hucony Gas Company and Atkinson-Sandefur Oil Corporation came in. The new Robert-Cosden operation is two locations north and one west of the Tiner discovery.

Roeser & Pendleton-Landreth Production Company are moving in for their No. 2 Grayson, a due west offset to the Robert-Cosden No. 4 Grayson. The Roeser & Pendleton-Landreth well will be one location north of the same owners' No. 1 Grayson, due to reach the pay as soon as a pipe trouble job can be worked out.

Unconfirmed reports in Abilene are that Robert-Cosden will drill three other tests on the west line of their Grayson lease and that Roeser & Pendleton-Landreth will offset each of them.

No. 1 Grayson, with pipe trouble, is 2,515 feet deep, according to reports from the field Wednesday morning should find pay between 2,523 and 2,530 feet.

Difficulty is being experienced in running 5-inch pipe to the bottom of the hole and all that size casing that has been put in is to come out and likely the 6-inch pipe set on top of the 5-inch will also have to be pulled and re-run.

Snowden & McSweeney are mudding off pipe in the No. 1 Bickley, two miles north of the Tiner area at 2,445 feet preparatory to drilling in. This operation is 700 feet south of the Hutson & Weaver-Shaheen No. 1 Smith, the 65-barrel well completed several months ago four miles north of the Noodle Creek field.—Abilene Reporter.

## MR. AND MRS. BLACK'S CHILDREN VISIT THEM

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Black have been indeed happy this week to have as their guests the following sons and daughters, grand children and great grandchildren: Their son, O. M. Black, and wife and daughter, of Trinidad, Colorado; B. D. Black and wife and six children, of Houston; their daughter, Mrs. Smith and husband and four children, of Maverick, Texas; Mrs. W. H. Howell and three children, of Abilene, another daughter, Mrs. Wayne Martin, and husband and four children of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kelso and two children of Stith, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Black and daughter, of this city.

## Presbyterian Church

Don't forget Sunday school at 10:00 o'clock. Our attendance is gradually increasing in numbers, and we want you to help swell the ranks. A live class and something of interest for everyone.

The church service will be held at 11 o'clock, as usual. The pastor will be absent, having been called to preach a home-coming sermon at one of his old pastorates. But a special service, under the direction of the Fellowship Club, has been arranged for the morning hour. The program follows:

Hymn. Invocation.  
Hymn. Scripture Reading.  
Prayer. Announcements.  
Offering. Hymn. Mixed Quartet.  
The Value of a Laymen's Organization:

1. To Its Members, Jas. H. West.  
2. To the Town, S. M. Hunter.  
3. To the Church, W. M. Elliott.

Male Quartette. Hymn. Benediction.  
We extend a cordial invitation to all to attend this service. And especially do we urge all our members to be present at both the morning services.  
W. M. Elliott, Superintendent.

Mr. F. E. Church, genial salesman for the Maverick Motor Company, local Chrysler dealers, accompanied by Mrs. Church and children, left Wednesday for a week's vacation trip. They will visit in Fort Worth a few days, and go to Kansas City and Sedalia, Missouri.

## Straw Vote Here Gives Hoover A Big Majority

One day last week Mr. J. B. Foster, who is one of this community's most excellent farmers, as well as life-long Republican, came to town and proceeded to take a piece of paper and go out among the citizens as he came to them, taking a straw vote for President of the U. S.

He spent about an hour and a half, during which time, he stated, he secured 118 votes for Mr. Hoover and 16 votes for Governor Smith, with sixteen refusing to vote either way.

## Nazarene Revival Opens Tonight

The Nazarene Revival which is to be conducted under the city tabernacle is to begin at eight o'clock tonight, Friday, August 17th.

Rev. H. C. Cagle and wife are the evangelists. They need no commendation, as they are well known in Merkel and their previous ministry is a testimony to the fact that they are sound in the Bible Doctrines, and therefore preach the unadulterated gospel. Those who know Bro. and Sister Night are glad that they are coming again to give us the gospel in song.

We extend a cordial invitation to all to attend the services and ask you to join us in prayer for a real revival. Leona Forbes, pastor.

## CHANEY TWINS RECEIVE DEGREES

STEPHENVILLE, Texas, Aug. 16.—According to the announcement as made by E. J. Howell, Registrar, John Tarleton Agricultural College, Stephenville, Texas, concerning the candidates for graduation of the summer session of 1928, there are 24 candidates from the college division and 28 from the academy division. These students will receive their diplomas upon the completion of their work on August 25, 1928. This class is the largest summer graduating class in the history of the college.

Among the number are two Merkel boys, Leron and Vernon Chaney, twins, and the sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Chaney. The Chaney graduated from Merkel High School.

## T. E. L. CLASS MEETING

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church, Merkel, met Wednesday, August 8, in the home of Mrs. F. C. McFarland in an all-day social meeting, some eight members spending the day and carrying with them such good things to eat as fried chicken, salads and pies.

All spent a most enjoyable day. After talking all day and telling every thing we knew and lots we didn't know, we invited out on the lawn, where Mrs. McFarland, in her hospitable way, served iced watermelon to Messdames A. R. Booth, L. B. Scott, Sam Swann, Twymann Collins, E. Yates Brown, Earl Lassiter, John Toombs, Joe Owens, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Sheppard and several children.

Mr. T. L. Hall, of Oklahoma and W. A. Hall of Salisbury, North Carolina, with their wives, were here last week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Probst, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Cordell and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Click. They will also visit the Plains and other points in the state while here. In speaking of politics, Mr. Hall of North Carolina stated that he had recently been to New York state, and that in his opinion Governor Smith was going to have a hard time carrying that state, but would carry the city of New York where there are five people born on foreign soil to every one born in America. He did not believe that Governor Smith would begin to win the state of North Carolina.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know they appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offers.

We have clients anxious to purchase farms worth the money. List with us. Thompson & Boswell.

## PRESIDING ELDER TO PREACH AT METHODIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

Rev. W. J. Mayhew, pastor of the Methodist Church, left first of the week to assist a brother pastor on a charge west of Anson, in a revival meeting, and his pulpit in Merkel will be filled Sunday morning and evening by Presiding Elder W. E. Lyon, of Abilene.

Pastor Mayhew urges that the entire membership be present here at the Presiding Elder at both services.

## Local Citizen Takes Stump For R. Q. Lee

Mr. L. R. Thompson, one of this city's foremost and prominent citizens, leaves this afternoon for Tuscola, where tonight he begins a speaking campaign for the Hon. R. Q. Lee, of Cisco, candidate for Congress, in the run-off with Hon. Oscar Callaway, of Comanche, August 25.

Mr. Thompson, a personal friend and supporter of Mr. Lee since his announcement as a candidate for Congress, is an able speaker, is well posted on the issues of the day, and will no doubt make an interesting and aggressive campaign for Mr. Lee.

He will speak at Winters, Ballinger, Brady and other points in the South end of the Congressional district.

## LOCAL CITIZENS ENJOY FISH FRY ON CONCHO

A party composed of thirty-two people from this city and surrounding community, returned Wednesday from an outing and fishing trip to the Concho River, near Paint Rock. They report an abundance of fish for the entire party, which was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Bland and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moore and four children, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tittle and six children, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cox and four children, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox and three children, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Chambliss, of Trent, Uncle Billie Sheppard of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cox and two sons, Curtis and R. C., who are here on a visit with friends and relatives from California.

In fact, there has been what might be called a family re-union of the Cox family, brothers and sisters, for the past week. All were on this outing and fishing trip except Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cox, who had just returned from an extended trip to New Mexico.

## GEO. BROWN AND FAMILY RETURN FROM ARKANSAS

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown, who, with their three daughters, Misses Sallie, Inice and Madden, left Merkel last fall for Fayetteville, Arkansas, where the young ladies went to enter the University of Arkansas, have returned this week following the close of the summer term of school, which the young ladies attended.

Their many friends here are happy to see them return, and sincerely hope they will decide to again make Merkel their permanent home.

## Baptist Church

Dr. W. T. Walton is to supply for the local Baptist Church at both hours Sunday. Dr. Walton is head of the department of Religious Education in Simmons University. He is also a young preacher with a wonderful message. You will be glad to hear him. The pastor will be out in the meeting at Capps but urges a full attendance at all services Sunday.

Sunday will be Cradle Roll Day in our church and all mothers with babies three years old or younger are asked to bring them to the service. If your baby has not been enrolled on the cradle roll this is a good time to enroll it. There will be appropriate exercises at the close of the Sunday School hour so be sure to bring the baby to the Cradle Roll room during the Sunday School hour. Any mother that has no conveyance may call Mrs. John Toombs and some one will call by for them.

Let's keep up our average even though it is summer and vacation time. If all those at home will come to every service we will not miss the ones that are away so badly. Visitors and strangers are especially welcomed in all services.

Ira L. Parrack, Pastor.

J. M. Cox and family of California are here this week for a visit with relatives and friends.

## Democrats Of St. Louis Name Negro to Congress

For one to mention or even hint at negro equality and domination in the South has been like waving a red flag in the face of a bull, especially to our fore, and this writer still holds to that opinion. But since the so-called National Democratic party with headquarters in New York, is becoming busy spreading that old-time rot about negro dominance in the South in case Herbert Hoover is elected President, we publish the following news item taken from the New York World of Sunday, August 12, 1928, which shows that in many places in the North and particularly in New York City, the Democrats honor the negroes who almost solidly vote the Democratic ticket, and the Democratic party in New York state is absolutely controlled by Tammany. Read the following news item from the New York World, and think for yourself. And don't forget that it was the Hon. Claude Bowers, Editor of the New York World that made the Democratic keynote speech at Houston during the National Democratic Convention.

Special to the World

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 11.—With Joseph L. McLemore—said to be the first Negro nominated for Congress by Democrats anywhere—opposed by L. C. Dyer, veteran Republican Representative, an interesting political fight impends in St. Louis.

McLemore, a lawyer in the Negro district with offices in a modern Negro office building occupied mainly by lawyers and physicians, is running for office for the first time. He is thirty-two. Dyer, on the other hand, is running for his ninth term in Congress. In the past the Negro Republican vote has been a big factor in his success.

McLemore says 65 per cent of the vote in his district is Negro and counts on swinging three-fourths of it in the November election. Dyer insists only one-third of the population is Negro and is confident they will stay Republicans.

"Most of the Democratic vote is white," said McLemore. "In the past the Negroes here have been voting the Republican ticket, but this year Gov. Smith is going to be a big drawing power among the Negroes and many of those who formerly supported the Republican ticket will vote the Democratic ticket straight—from Smith on down.

"The trouble is the Negro has been too strong a Republican. As a result, the Republicans count the Negro vote ahead of time and they don't do anything for him. In New York City the Negroes vote the Democratic ticket, and consequently the negro gets recognition there with an occasional office."

McLemore was born in Louisiana, near St. Charles.

"I was twelve years old before I got any formal schooling," he said today. "My mother was a cook for white families. My father died when I was seven years old.

"While I was trying to raise money to help Negro schools in Louisiana, a white man slapped me and told me I'd be lynched before I was fifteen. With the consent of my mother, I left home and went to Galveston, Texas, and worked for a barber there. His wife inspired me to seek education.

"I managed to get into Fisk University. Then I heard about summer high school in St. Louis and without funds I came here. I got a job and lived at the Y. M. C. A., then I volunteered and went to war.

"When I returned I was admitted to Howard, studied law and completed my law studies at New York University. Meantime, my mother died and I took charge of the education of my younger sister.

"When I started practicing law here six years ago, I was too busy getting a foothold to think of politics. This is the first time I've been in it actively."—New York World.

## CEMETERY CONTRIBUTIONS

The following is a list of contributions for the Cemetery Fund since the Merkel Mail was last published:

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Mrs. J. L. Tucker              | \$2.50 |
| Mrs. W. J. Ozeo, Ft. Worth     | \$5.00 |
| Mrs. J. W. Jennings, Arlington | \$5.00 |

Mr. W. A. Whiteley, the Watkins man, had as guests in his home last Sunday an old-time friend, Mr. J. L. Cornwell, and family, of Falls, Texas. Mr. Cornwell stated that conditions were very fine in his section.

## WHO SOWS MAY REAP

The farmer sows that he may reap  
 Though seed be high or seed be cheap  
 And though a pious Christian he  
 Must a weather gambler be.  
 He bets it rains to sprout his wheat,  
 That's why we all have bread to eat;  
 But when he starts to making hay  
 He's forced to bet the other way.  
 His one safe bet is to bank his dough  
 With the Farmers State Bank and let it grow.

### THE FARMERS STATE BANK

**OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

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| W. L. Diltz, Cashier     | Dallas Scarbrough  |
|                          | David Hendricks    |

#### OAKLAND AND PONTIAC HAVE RECORD JULY

Continuing the record setting pace which has resulted in new high sales figures every month since the first of the year, the Oakland Motor Car Company sold a total of 22,704 Oakland and Pontiac Sixes during July, W. R. Tracy, vice-president in charge of sales, announces.

This compares with 16,752 units sold in July, 1927, or a gain of 35 percent, and brings the total of new Oaklands and Pontiacs shipped since January 1st to 184,252 cars, Mr. Tracy said. The corresponding performance for the first seven months of 1927 was 112,888 units, or a gain of 63 per cent this year over last.

In view of the unusual record of the company to date, Mr. Tracy declared that the year 1928 promises to be by a wide margin the most successful in the 22-year existence of the Oakland Motor Car Co.

"Our combined output of Oakland and Pontiac cars in 1927 was 192,966 units," he said. By the end of July of this year our sales had mounted to 184,252 new cars, leaving less than 9,000 units to go until we surpass the entire output of last year, which in turn was forty per cent better than in 1926.

"Extensive plans laid for the late Summer and the Fall of 1928 indicate that we will top last year's performance easily by another forty per cent or more. Sales of Pontiac Sixes will take on an added spurt by reason of numerous refinements in the line announced recently.

"Our plans for the Oakland All-American Six for the coming months also are extensive. The car should soar to record sales figures never before attained by this line during the latter part of the year.

"There is every indication that our 1928 production and sales not only will reach the total units we announced on January 1st as our program for the year, but that the demand for the Oakland and Pontiac lines will make possible an even better showing.

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Why be embarrassed for money when you can borrow on your car—Strictly Confidential. You drive car, pay back in easy monthly payments.  
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## CLASSIFIED ADS

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Maize Heads at Swafford Coal & Feed Yard. Phone 44. 1t

FOR SALE—1 pair Platform Scales, worth the money if taken at once. J. M. Garrett, phone 155. 1t

FOR SALE—McCormick row binder at a bargain. See or phone Jim Mayfield. 1tp

FOR SALE—Three east front residence lots, well located in South part of the city. Will sell all or part. For information call for J. M. Craig, phone 177-W. 17t2

FOR SALE—My home on Rose street good 4-room house with plenty room, 3 lots on corner, southeast front, well located. See me soon, am leaving town. Terms. Rev. C. C. Montandon. 1tp

FOR SALE—A nice Jersey cow with second calf 10 days old. Also some fine Duroc shoats will make hogs by killing time. Apply to Clarence B. Williams, Merkel, route 1. 1t

FOR SALE—At a bargain, Overland front axle and wheels with demountable rims. Uses 30x3½ tires. See D. W. Ferries at Merkel Mail. 1t

FOR SALE—Good gentle pony. Just the thing for boy or girl. Call at the Merkel Mail office. 1t

FOR SALE—My home north of Wells at a bargain. See R. B. Wells. 1t

### FOR RENT

FOR RENT—3-room house, close in. Apply at Texaco Gas Station, on Front Street. 1t

FOR RENT or Sale—Store building across street from Post Office, owned by H. L. Coleman. See W. W. Wheeler, Merkel. 1tp

NEW 2-room house for rent, furnished, with gas and sink. C. L. Boswell, phone 101. 1t

TWO Rooms, furnished, east front, gas, water, lights, phone, bath. B. M. Black. 1tp

FOR RENT—The Boney Service Station, located on highway. See Marvin or W. O. Boney. 1t

### WANTED

MAN WANTED—To sell the J. R. Watkins Products in the following localities: Coke and Sterling counties combined, Nolan, Shackelford, Scurry, and South Coleman. See me at once. W. A. Whiteley. 1t

WANTED—Some more milk customers since I bought the Proctor herd. Phone 170-W. R. E. Cole. 1t

### JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

Song, prayer, song. Roll Call. Leader, Bessylea Church. Scripture, 1st Samuel 15:22, by Leader.

Talk No. 1, "To Obey," page 28 August Juniors, by Leader.

Talk No. 2, page 28 August Juniors, by Bud Gamble.

Talk No. 3, page 29 August Juniors by Florene Rider.

Talk No. 4, page 29 August Juniors, by Cullen Tittle.

Talk No. 5, page 29 August Juniors, by Marie Stanford.

Talk No. 6, page 29 August Juniors, by Opal Huskey.

Benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Tyler, of Royce City, are here for a visit with friends and relatives. They are stopping at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Coats.

W. G. Leach, clever telegraph operator, accompanied by his family returned first of the week from an extended vacation and visit with friends and relatives in Kentucky.

Chief of Police D. W. Denney, accompanied by his family, returned first of the week from a very pleasant visit with friends and relatives at Ennis, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter and son, Bud Winter, and wife and baby, returned last week from an extended vacation trip to New Mexico. They visited the famous Carlsbad Cavern and other interesting points in that state.

Miss Rose Laney, the very capable and efficient stenographer at the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, with her brother, Howard, left first of the week for a vacation trip to New Mexico. They will visit at Tatum and also see the famous Carlsbad

## NOTICE

To Holders of

## THIRD LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

Third Liberty Loan Bonds mature on September 15th, 1928, and will cease to bear interest on that date.

The Treasury Department has requested that they be presented for redemption at once to facilitate handling of the great number of outstanding Bonds.

You are invited to avail yourself of our service in this connection whether you are a 'regular' customer or not.

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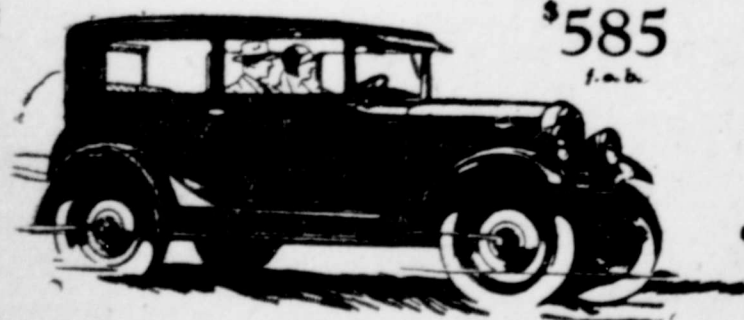
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| GEO. L. PAXTON | BOOTH WARREN |                 |

## 10 Big Reasons why Chevrolet is -

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Today's Chevrolet provides the marvelous beauty of design and proportion for which Fisher Bodies are everywhere famous.

#### 3. FEATURES

Possessing quality features typical of the finest cars, today's Chevrolet is everywhere regarded as the world's most luxurious low-priced automobile.

#### 4. PERFORMANCE

Chevrolet's amazing performance is the result of a valve-in-head motor whose power is a matter of worldwide fame and whose snap and smoothness are assured by alloy invar-strut pistons, large valves with mushroom type tappets and accurately counter-balanced reciprocating parts.

#### 5. COMFORT

The Bigger and Better Chevrolet is built on a 107" wheelbase, equipped with long semi-elliptic springs set parallel to the frame and with seat cushions provided with deep, resilient springs.

#### 6. HANDLING EASE

For ease of control Chevrolet design incorporates a full ball bearing steering gear, smooth shifting transmission, light pedal action clutch and big non-locking four-wheel brakes.

#### 7. ECONOMY

Chevrolet owners enjoy the greatest economy of operation.

#### 8. MAINTENANCE

Chevrolet enjoys a worldwide reputation for low maintenance costs.

#### 9. RESALE VALUE

Chevrolet's resale value is unusually high because Chevrolet's rugged construction assures many thousands of miles of dependable transportation.

#### 10. PRICE

Chevrolet offers these beautiful modern cars at these amazing low prices:

|                        |                                       |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| The Touring \$495      | The Convertible Sport Cabriolet \$695 |
| The Coach \$585        | The Imperial \$715                    |
| The Coupe \$595        | Utility Truck \$520 (Chassis only)    |
| The 4-Door Sedan \$675 | Light Delivery \$375 (Chassis only)   |

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## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND RELATING TO TERMS OF SCHOOL OFFICERS.

H. J. R. No. 14.)

Proposing to amend article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 16, providing that the term of all officers of the public free school system, including State institutions of higher education, may be fixed not to exceed six years; proposing to amend

Section 8 of Article 7 of said Constitution, authorizing the appointment or election of a state Board of Education to serve not to exceed six years; requiring said amendments to be submitted to the people for adoption and making appropriations therefor.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Section 16 as follows:

"The Legislature shall fix by law the terms of all offices of the public school system and of the State in-

stitutions of higher education, inclusive, and the terms of members of the respective boards, not to exceed six years."

Sec. 2. That Section 8 of Article 7 of the Constitution be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"The Legislature shall provide by law for a State Board of Education, whose members shall be appointed or elected in such manner and by such authority and shall serve for such terms as the Legislature shall prescribe not to exceed six years. The said board shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by law."

Sec. 3. The foregoing constitutional amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State, at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1928, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

(1) "For the amendment to Article 7, adding Section 16, providing that school officers, including boards of institutions of higher education, shall serve for a term not exceeding six years."

"Against the amendment to Article 7, adding Section 16, providing that school officers, including boards of institutions of higher education, shall serve for a term not exceeding six years."

(2) "For the amendment to Section 8 of Article 7 of the Constitution, providing for the appointment of a State Board of Education."

"Against the amendment to Section 8 of Article 7 of the Constitution, providing for the appointment of a State Board of Education."

Each voter shall scratch out one of the Above listed clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment to which it relates.

Sec. 4. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation ordering an election to determine whether or not the proposed constitutional amendments set forth herein shall be adopted, and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. And the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of printing said proclamation and of holding said election.

Approved by Governor March 25, 1927. Aug 31

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### SENSE AND SPEED

It has been rather well established that laws which arbitrarily fix speed limits for automobiles are little protection against accidents. The speed at which one may safely drive depends upon the road and traffic conditions involved.

A high executive of one of the leading automobile manufacturing companies, who has made a close study of speed in its relation to accidents, declares that 50 or even 60 miles an hour over good open roads in the country may be safer than 15 miles an hour in cutting corners in town. The safe driver is not necessarily

the slow driver, but one who uses common sense whether driving fast or slow. Careless driving while turning corners, passing pedestrians or other cars, crossing railroad tracks and maneuvering in congested traffic is the greatest menace to life and limb.

Sense, not speed, is the important factor in determining whether a driver is safe or unsafe.

### PARTY LINES WILL BE BROKEN IN NOVEMBER

The coming election in November promises to see party lines broken as never before. Democrats who never in their lives voted for a Republican will cast their vote for Hoover; likewise Republicans will break away from their party and vote for Al Smith, who has been named to head the Democratic (Tammanyized) party. It's going to be a campaign the like of which no man in this nation ever witnessed. And a time when men should act. It's all right to present facts, but to argue and abuse some one will not change one vote. Every man should remember that when he takes the privilege to think and vote for himself, he should be big enough to allow the other fellow the same right.

Mesdames W. L. Johnson and John D. Slater attended the Rebekah Association held in Abilene Wednesday evening, as well as Mr. and Mrs. Will Cox.

We have a client who wants to buy a farm. Must be first class land, worth the money. Has \$30,000.00 to invest. Thompson & Boswell. tf

### WHY WE ARE BACKING

# OSCAR CALLAWAY

TO BEAT

**R. Q. LEE**

IN THIS RACE FOR CONGRESS.

### WHO IS OSCAR CALLAWAY?

Oscar Callaway was reared on a farm ten miles south of Comanche where he still resides. He is the oldest of a family of six brothers. He worked his way through high school, and the University of Texas, and then helped four of his younger brothers through college. He has given six of his nieces and nephews a college education.

Mr. Callaway served his county as County Attorney when he first got out of school. From 1910 to 1916, he represented the 12th District in Congress, making a nation wide reputation as an economist in his fight against useless appropriations to improve rivers that could not be made navigable, known as the "Pork Barrel" graft.

In 1916 Callaway resumed his residence on his farm, and in the last twelve years has made a notable success as a farmer and sheep and goat raiser. He owns one of the choicest flocks of sheep of about 2000 head in West Texas.

Callaway has proved to be and is a successful Congressman, a successful farmer and stock man, and a successful lawyer. He is absolutely honest. He is fearless and forceful in his advocacy of any measure he believes in. His six years service in Congress fits him to immediately render you efficient service, without having to go through two or four years necessary to break in a new man.

### WHO IS R. Q. LEE?

R. Q. Lee, of Cisco, Mr. Callaway's opponent, says in a circular he sends out:

"Vote for R. Q. Lee, because he is a successful merchant, banker and railroad president\*\*\*\*" We have investigated his record as a "Railroad president", the only one he left a written record of, and we charge that that record shows him to be unworthy of trust, and absolutely unfit to hold the great office of Congressman.

### THE FACTS.

Lee and his associates, organized the Cisco and N. E. R. R. in 1920 running from Cisco to Breckenridge and Lee was elected President of the road, at a salary of \$1,000.00 per month. The stock was sold out to local people and friends of Mr. Lee, who subscribed for it as a Community enterprise. Lee took seventy-five shares. There were 4041 shares of \$100.00 par value each, sold. He operated the road for six years and never paid a dividend and those owning the stock thought little of its value.

On September 13th, 1926, R. Q. Lee, made a written contract with the T. P. R. R. Co. by which he sold 2591 1/2 shares of the stock for one hundred cents on the dollar, or par. At the time he made this contract Lee owned 1074 shares of stock, and had in his possession 1517.5 shares of stock for which he was agent. Lee originally owned seventy-five shares.

On December 21, 1926, the Interstate Commerce Commission approved this contract, but further provided in the order that if the T. P. R. Ry. bought any more of the stock, they must pay one hundred cents on the dollar for it, and also provided that the railroad must immediately be extended to the town of Throckmorton.

R. Q. Lee, concealing said sale from his stockholders in January, February and March, 1927, went or sent his emissaries among his stockholders and represented to

them that he had an opportunity to sell the stock for fifty cents on the dollar, and bought the majority of the stock at that figure. Many stockholders do not know even yet, that they were swindled out of half of the value of their stock.

Lee's man bought \$5000.00 of the stock from A. J. Olson, of Cisco on Feb. 14th, 1927. About the same time he bought \$5000.00 worth of stock from J. H. Ball of Abilene, \$5000.00 from N. N. Rosenquist of Eastland; \$5000.00 worth from E. Sid Curry of Abilene, all for fifty cents on the dollar. There was about \$200,000.00 worth of this stock outstanding when the Commission approved the sale. It is fair to assume that Lee and his agents got the rest of it. They therefore got about \$100,000.00 of the stockholders' money.

Every share of the capital stock which Lee bought, or permitted any other person to buy, after the 13th day of September 1926 for less than par, was a fraud on the stockholder. Every share of stock that Lee or his men bought after that date, or permitted any other person to buy, without informing them that the stock had already been sold for 100 cents on the dollar, was a breach of the trust which the stockholders had confided to Lee when they elected him president.

WE FURTHER CHARGE that after the Interstate Commerce Commission had made its order requiring the T. & P. Ry. to extend the road to Throckmorton, that R. Q. Lee concealed that fact from the citizens of Throckmorton county, and represented to them that they would have to raise a \$50,000 bonus in order to secure the road; and that they did raise this money and paid it to R. Q. Lee in ignorance of the order.

### IS R. Q. LEE A Democrat?

Mr. Lee, you advertise in your circulars that you have been a life long Democrat. If this is true, why did you apply to Giles Garner, then chairman of the Republican party

in Stephens County, and postmaster at Breckenridge, in 1897, and ask him to assist you in getting the appointment at Caddo as postmaster, which appointment you held until Woodrow Wilson was elected in 1913, when you were kicked out in order to make room for a Democrat? We charge that you voted against Woodrow Wilson in 1912, and again in 1916, voting the Republican ticket, the same as you had always done. Isn't it true that you never in your life voted for a Democratic candidate for president? It is also true, is it not, that you served as Precinct Chairman for the Republican organization for many years at Caddo, under C. C. Littleton as district chairman?

### Is Lee a Successful Banker?

You advertise yourself as a successful banker and business man. We challenge this statement. It is a fact, is it not, that you were president of the Cisco Banking Co. for one year, and during that year all stock holders were assessed one hundred cents on the dollar to save said institution, and at the end of that year you went out as president? It is also a fact, is it not, that you were the president of Bankhead Poultry Association, for a year or more, during which time you run the association in debt over \$1,700.00 which was paid off by the town of Eastland, after they rescued the association from your hands?

Isn't it a fact that you are now a stockholder and have formerly been a director in the T. P. R. R. Company?

R. Q. Lee has never studied, has had no experience with, and knows nothing of governmental problems, and is now too old to learn. If you send Lee to Congress, would he conceal from you the facts he learned there and sell you out for fifty cents on the dollar?

Brown County Oscar Callaway for Congress C. L. J. B. Weems, Chairman. (Political Advertisement)

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**BEHOLD THE CRIMINAL**

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Recently, so the story runs, while a forest fire raged about his home, a youth of Egg Harbor, New Jersey, sat in a rocking chair and played his ukele, watching the blaze. Commanded by the mayor of the town to help the fire fighting, the boy only laughed, observed that fire fighting was not his business, and kept on strumming his instrument. He was arrested and fined ten dollars for disorderly conduct.

Now, just supposing this young lad had been a merchant, manufacturer or tenant permitting trash accumulations and other fire hazards, capable at any moment of setting off a great conflagration in a city—how much disorder could he be accused of?

To be Honest, to be kind, to earn a little and spend a little less; to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence; to renounce when that shall be necessary, and not to be embittered; to keep a few friends but these without capitulation; above all on the same grim condition to keep friends with himself, here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.—Robert Lewis Stevenson.

The man in the automobile may be opposed to the Eighteenth Amendment, but he will instantly discharge a drinking chauffeur. The train may be crowded with delegates to the anti-prohibition convention, but they would mob the engineer who would take a drink while drawing his precious freight.—Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho.

Many women want careers, but few achieve them, because they are not willing to pay the price. They want the fame and money that success brings, but they want them handed to them on a silver salver. They are not willing to undergo the long, gruelling years of apprenticeship when one toils in a blind alley without seeming to get anywhere. They are not willing to stifle their pride and take corrections of their work humbly and gratefully. They are not willing to endure discipline.—Dorothy Dix.

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County, Greetings

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Ed Welzer by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Taylor County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Texas, on the First Monday in September A. D. 1928, the same being the 3rd day of September A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of August A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 6949H, wherein Mary Judd Welzer is Plaintiff, and Ed Welzer Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married in Parker County, Texas, October 22, 1927 and that said marriage was bigamous on part of defendant and asking for cancellation and holding for naught said marriage.

Herein Fail Not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 6th day of August A. D. 1928.

BELLE WELLBORN, Clerk,  
District Court, Taylor County.  
By Birdie Wilson, Deputy. 104

**ROYAL PARTNERSHIP SOCIETY**

Program for Aug. 19, 1928.  
Leader, Mrs. Emory Jones.  
Roll Call. Song.

What should be the Christian's attitude toward war? Mrs. J. W. Sears.  
What difference does reading the Bible make?

The good and the bad in newspapers and magazines? Melba West.

What does Protestantism stand for, Mamie Ellis.

Song. Prayer.

What would happen if all church members were really Christians? Eunice Russell.

What prayers can accomplish, Mrs. J. W. Sears.

Blessings we often forget, Dean Murray.

Song. Business Meeting.  
Mispah.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County Greeting.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon E. M. Heater by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Texas, on the first Monday in September A. D. 1928, the same being the 3rd day of September A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 17th day of July A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 6914-A, wherein A. T. Heater is Plaintiff, and E. M. Heater is De-

fendant, and said petition alleging that Plaintiff and Defendant were married about 28th day of Oct. 1920, and separated about Jan. 1st, 1923. Plaintiff sues for a divorce on the grounds of three years abandonment, and also sues for care and custody of minor child.

Herein Fail Not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 9th day of Aug. A. D. 1928.

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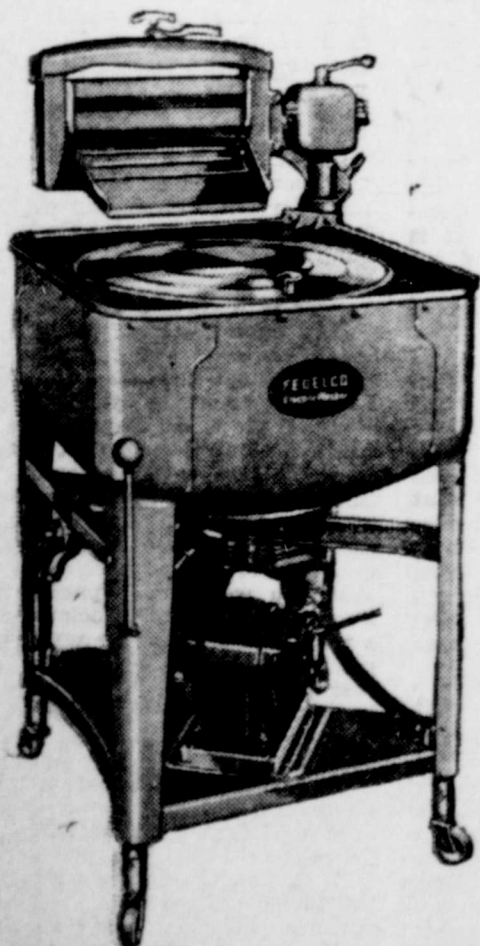
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Following closely on the heels of two successful starring vehicles, "Honeymoon Hate" and "Doomsday," Florence Vidor's latest Paramount Production, "The Magnificent Flirt," comes to the Queen Theatre on Monday and Tuesday.

"The Magnificent Flirt" is described as a breezy comedy savoring of French farce and shows Miss Vidor in the role of a confirmed flirt. About her eye-winking proclivities is woven a string of amusing adventures, the climax being reached when an admirer accuses her of being unlady-like. He puts her to a test—and loses out, much to the satisfaction of his nephew, who loves Miss Vidor's daughter.

#### MEET THE BOYS!

Meet the boys!  
They were all together during the

making of "Flying Romeos," the First National comedy feature which comes to the Queen Theatre here Wednesday and Thursday.

#### YOU Cheated at Cards!

Those words accompanied by the crashing of the card table, then shots from one of the dramatic incidents in Paramount's latest Zane Grey production, "Under the Tonto Rim," which is due at the Queen Theatre on Friday and Saturday.

#### MISS THOMAS ENTERTAINS

On Tuesday evening, August 14, at eight o'clock, Miss Hazel Thomas entertained the members of her Sunday School class, "The Winner," of Stith Methodist Church, and a number of honor guests of Stith Baptist Sunday School with a lawn party. The class color scheme of pink and white was very beautifully carried out in roses and crepe paper decorations. A snow

white table bearing dainty glassware, silver and a bouquet of pink and white roses added much to the decorations of the lawn.

Games of various kinds were played for some two and a half hours, furnishing oodles of fun. Miss Thomas was assisted in the entertaining by Misses Lena May Wilson and Pearl Thomas, also Mr. Dean Thomas.

A delicious plate of pink ice cream and white cake was served to some forty guests by Misses Louise Hudson, Pearl Thomas, Helen McCormick and hostess.

A most delightful time was had by all present. Class Reporter.

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### Dora Doings

Some of the farmers report leaf worms in their cotton with a fair sprinkle of boll worms. What we need now is plenty of hot sunshine. Some are getting ready to poison in some form or other.

I believe everybody is well at this writing, although Mrs. Harvey Wright had a right severe spell with her heart two days this week, but is able to be up now.

Mrs. Smith of Waxahachie has returned home after a few days visit with her cousin, Mrs. G. W. Whitaker. Bro. Garner's parents spent the week-end with him.

Chapel Hardy of McMurry visited home folks here Sunday. George Heflin and family left Monday for Oklahoma after a visit here with relatives and friends.

Most of the thrashing is done in this section, most of the grain being very light.

We had a fine singing at Dora Sunday. Singers were here from Sweetwater, Wingate, Hylton and Nolan. Our regular singing evenings are second and fourth Sundays. On third Sunday night we expect to have a good singing next Sunday night, as our singing teacher who is to teach a fifteen days school will be here. Consider yourself invited and drive over and help make this a grand success.

Canova Stevens spent Saturday night with Doris Jones.

E. P. Perry and wife are away for a vacation at Glen Rose. Craymer Reynolds is keeping the garage for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Beall are visiting relatives here for a few days. Mr. Beall says it is so hot in Austin he will stay away through August.

Mrs. Flynn of Sweetwater spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Joe Brownfield.

Well if we know anything else we will tell it next week. Nance.

Mrs. J. E. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. T. Boyd King, of Abilene, and Mrs. G. T. Hardberger, of Knox City, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McPherson of this city.

### Blair Items

Mr. Henry Reeves and family from the Plains visited his mother, Mrs. J. M. Reeves, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spears of Valeria, Texas, dined with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Spears one day last week.

Mrs. Mae Horton and son, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Patterson, of Wichita Falls, were house guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Doan, the past week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Melton and family of Blackwell visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Melton, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rosson of Trent visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Meeks last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fambrough of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Friday.

Mrs. Lula Walker and daughter of Abilene visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walker, last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thornton of Capps visited Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Meeks and family of Trent were seen in our midst recently.

Bro. Hardy of Abilene visited with friends in our midst the past week.

Misses Wynona and Ruby Patton are spending an indefinite time with their aunt in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore and son, Arthur, are visiting their children of Seymore, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan and family, accompanied by Mr. Marshal Provine, returned last week end from El Paso, Texas, where they visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Reed Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McPherson are happy over the arrival of a daughter, born unto them on the 8th day of August. Mr. McPherson has recently accepted the position of truck driver for the city fire department.

Buy a dollar's worth of Jergins Soap and we will give you FREE 6 Water Glasses or a Cannon Bath Towel. Hamm Drug Co. tf

## Men Understood that Advertisement

And women will understand this one



### BRIDGING THE GAP Between the Gas Fields and Your City--To Serve You!

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY is a pioneer in the gas business. We have built a gas pipeline from the gas fields to your city. This pipeline is a bridge between the gas fields and your city. It is a bridge that carries the gas from the fields to your city. It is a bridge that carries the gas from the fields to your city. It is a bridge that carries the gas from the fields to your city.

## Lone Star Gas Company



# "Bridge-ing" the Gap

What an age we live in! So many things to do--so many places to go. Sometimes you wonder how some women do it. But with natural gas delivered right into the kitchen you can safely sit at the bridge table until a bare half hour before dinner time.

YOU women nowadays enjoy yourselves far more than your mothers did. Pleasant afternoon bridges, matinees, or shopping tours are easily accomplished with all the modern conveniences that you have to help you.

Consider natural gas, for instance.

It's always ready for you to use. To fully appreciate natural gas, just imagine your consternation if you were to walk into your kitchen, turn the handle, and find no gas there! It just simply doesn't happen, does it?

But if it were not for the Lone Star Gas Company, you would not know the marvelous, taken-for-granted service that your

local gas company renders. You would have the hardship of handling a more cumbersome and dirty fuel. And much time would be spent in waiting to heat the stove (and incidentally, the whole kitchen), before you could cook.

We've built huge pipe lines that bring clean and economical natural gas to your community. We maintain costly pumping stations so the pressure will never lag. And part of our army of employees is always on the job so that the service shall not fail.

Bridging the gap, as we said it to the men--or "Bridge-ing the Gap," as we have just told you--when we say our service means less work and more leisure for women, you'll know what we mean.

# Lone Star Gas Company

GAS



When sick it's a policy quite poor  
To go some years, maybe three or four,  
And let your condition get chronic  
As you swig down bottles of tonic.  
When you first notice something is wrong  
Have your spine adjusted. That keeps you strong.

(To Be Continued) (COPY. J. T. HUNTER)

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TRENT, TEXAS

—TODAY, FRIDAY—

## LAURA LA PLANTE

With Glenn Tryon, in

### "THANKS FOR THE BUGGY RIDE"

A Stampede of Laughter. Comedy—"Newlyweds Party"

—SATURDAY ONLY

DYNAMITE, THE WONDER DOG, in

### "THE FOUR FOOTED RANGER"

With Edmund Cobb

A Good Show—You Bet!

And Comedy—"WANDERERS OF THE WAIST LINE"

—MONDAY AND TUESDAY—

## Glenn Tryon and Patsy Ruth Miller

—in—

### "A HERO FOR A NIGHT"

A Positive Knockout!

Also Good Comedy

—WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY—

BOY HOWDY—LOOKOUT!

## CLARA BOW

The "IT" Red Hair Girl in

### "LADIES OF THE MOB"

Clara in a new role—you will miss a treat if you miss it!  
Clara's Newest and Cutest!  
Also NEWS REEL And GOOD COMEDY

## MARTHA LEE BEAUTY WEEK

IN MERKEL, TEXAS

August 20th to August 25th

We are pleased to invite the ladies of Merkel to visit our store during MARTHA LEE BEAUTY WEEK, and receive entirely free of charge, a facial and skin analysis.

This facial will be given by a MARTHA LEE BEAUTY SPECIALIST, and listed below are some of the things on which she will give you personal advice:

### HOW TO CORRECT:

An oily skin  
Blackheads and enlarged pores  
Wrinkles and lines about the eyes

### HOW TO REMOVE:

Freckles, tan and sunburn  
Pimples  
Blotches on face and neck

### HOW TO MAKE:

Sallow skins clear and white  
Coarse skins fine and velvety  
Thin faces plump  
Relaxed muscles tight

### How To Retain a Good Complexion

Our Specialist will teach you the real art of blending the rouge and powder, also, the proper shades that are most suitable for your particular type.

## HAMM DRUG STORE

Mrs. J. E. Richardson and little daughter, Mildred, returned first of the week from an extended stay at Burnett, where the former's mother has been critically ill for many weeks.

Miss Alice Bigham of Abilene is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble.

Rev. R. A. Walker and family left first of the week for a visit among friends in their old home town in Lamar County.

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Ellis and son, Castle, left last Monday for a visit with friends and relatives in East Texas.

## Right Out of Tyler College To Good Positions

There isn't any reason in the world why you can't do as well as these young people—Tyler Commercial College trained. If you care to, kindly write any of these successes for their opinion of America's largest business training school.

Mr. C. B. Neely, Whitewright, Texas, completed Private Secretarial and Automobile Accounting Course and immediately started to work for the Miller-Bragg Motor Company, Temple, Texas. He writes: "I find the work in every detail exactly as taught in your school. One of the district sales managers was in here the other day and after finding out that I finished in your school, said, 'If you finished the course at Tyler Commercial College, I am sure you are fully capable of doing this work.' This made me feel proud of being a graduate of T. C. C."

Mr. B. R. Goldap started in the banking business just after he finished his course. Now he has a nice position with the Alice State Bank and Trust Company, Alice, Texas. In a recent letter he says, "I am well pleased and I expect to make the banking business my vocation. I started as bookkeeper but am much higher now. I am glad I took your course."

Miss Maurine Daniel, from Norwood, Louisiana, is now with the Raymond Company, Inc., Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and has this to say about her course: "Since finishing school, I have been using my course and couldn't have more pleasant work."

Miss Annie Kike has been working as a result of her training in Tyler Commercial College and, upon her recommendation, has sent other students to her Alma Mater. Miss Kike is employed by the Warren Bank, Warren, Arkansas.

Thousands of former students and employers will tell you that Tyler Commercial College is absolutely the best school of business in America. In

"Achieving Success in Business"—the big free book you may have for the asking—will be given scores of letters that will help you. Clip the coupon printed below and send for the free book. Tyler Commercial College can train you in Bookkeeping, Radio, Shorthand, Telegraphy, Automobile Accounting, Cotton Classing, Civil Service, and in any other commercial subject. Send coupon now.

(We have no branch schools. We lead; others follow.)

TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE,  
Tyler, Texas

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(See Editor of The Merkel Mail for Scholarships.) 1t

### PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S ESTIMATE OF RELIGION

Our government rests upon religion. It is from that source that we derive our reverence for truth and justice, for quality and liberty, and for the rights of mankind. Unless the people believe in these principles they cannot believe in our government. There are only two main theories of government in the world. One rests on righteousness, the other rests on force. One appeals to reason, the other appeals to the sword. One is exemplified in a republic, the other is represented by despotism.

The government of a country never gets ahead of the religion of a country. There is no way by which we can virtue of man. Of course we can help to restrain the vicious and furnish a fair degree of security and protection by legislation and police control, but the real reforms which society in these days is seeking will come as a result of our religious convictions, or they will not come at all. Peace, justice, humanity, charity—these cannot be legislated into being. They are the result of Divine Grace.

I have long felt a very deep interest in the work of the Sunday School Bible classes, because of the conviction that this sort of serious and continuous study is not only of the greatest spiritual and character-building value, but the means of familiarizing people with one of the splendid monuments of all literature, the Bible.

## Never Having Tried To Steal A Car

you probably don't know how easy it is. We never tried either, but we know from looking at the stolen car records that lots of people do try—and get away with it.

We DO know how to protect you. Our policies cover theft, collision, public liability and all the misfortunes that the automobile owner is heir to.

We represent a company widely known for prompt settlements and good service.

## W. O. BONEY

REAL ESTATE, FARM LOANS  
FIRE INSURANCE  
MERKEL, TEXAS

Consult Your Insurance Agent As You Would Your Lawyer

Miss Bobbie Williams, a student at Simmons University, whose home is at Stamford, was a week-end guest of Miss Melba West.

Mr. John Ballard and family of Waxahachie, who have been guests of Dr. H. P. Hulse and family, have returned to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWolfe, of Chicago, who have been here for a visit with relatives and friends, left first of the week for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Farris and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson spent several days this week outing and fishing on the Concho.

# Merkel Theater

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, Aug. 17-18  
CLIFF "TEX" LYONS

## "THE RIDDLE TRAIL"

A Red Blooded Western full of Thrills and Action!  
Also Chapter 3—"THE DEATH SHELL" of  
"THE MAN WITHOUT A FACE"

NEWS EVENTS and AESOP'S FABLES  
Admission: 10c and 25c

MONDAY and TUESDAY, Aug. 20-21



WHAT THRILLS!

Out there—a lone courageous figure fighting for victory, all around you—howling thousands—shouting for victory—jeering—razing—making wisecracks—near you the sweet girl—a world series baseball game, a love story—dramatic—tender—tense and a great actor—RICHARD DIX.

ALSO—  
NEWS EVENTS and KRAZY KAT COMEDY  
Admission: 10c and 30c

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, Aug. 22-23

## "SOFT LIVING"

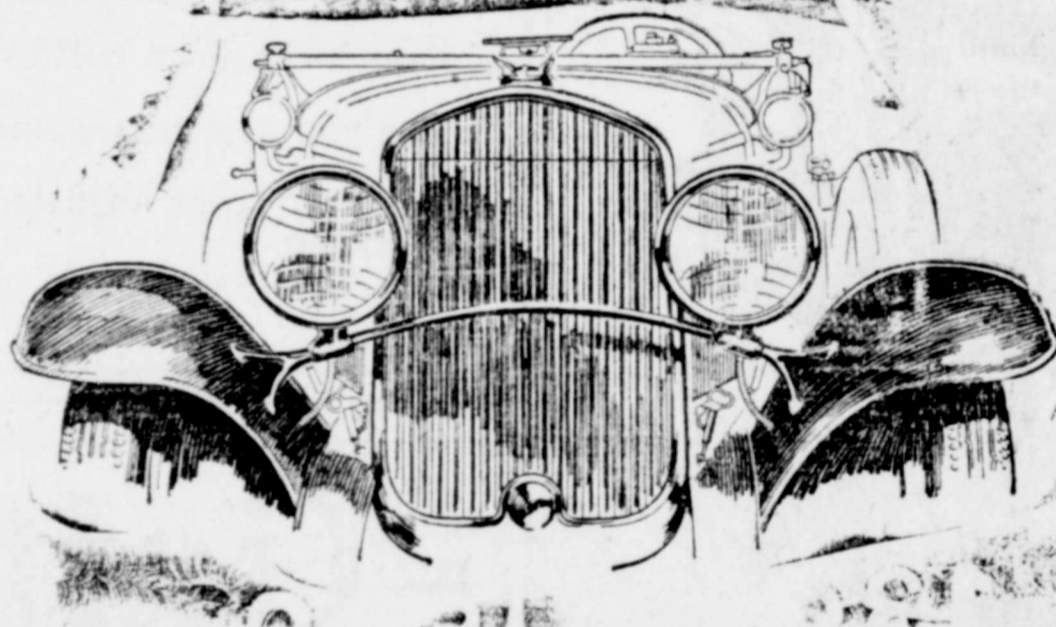
A man who married for Love—a woman who accepted him for money! MATRIMONY Vs. ALIMONY

With  
MADGE BELLAMY

ALSO—  
COMEDY and NEWS  
Admission: 10c and 25c

COMING!  
A PICTURE THAT WILL LIVE  
"STREET ANGEL"

# CHRYSLER



Compare them only with cars costing far, far more

There have been cars without number which endeavored to look like cars of greater value. None that we know of save these new Chryslers—"65" and "75"—have actually raised themselves into a higher class without alteration of price.

What has happened in the case of the new "65" and "75" is something much more important than a fortunate choice of design and decoration.

The richer appearance, the greater size, the finer upholstery, the specially-designed hardware, the greater performance ability are all real increases in value without increase of price.

New Chrysler "75" Prices—Royal Sedan, \$1535; 2-passenger Coupe (with rumble seat), \$1535; Roadster (with rumble seat), \$1555; Town Sedan, \$1655. New Chrysler "65" Prices—

They are real and they have an economic base peculiar and possible only to Chrysler—the principle of Standardized Quality through which the benefits in scientific engineering and precision manufacturing of its costliest cars are given to its cars of lesser price.

Through this policy you are able to get in the new "75" and "65" more beauty and higher quality than in cars costing many hundreds—yes, even a thousand—dollars more. Chrysler saves in its basic manufacturing policy and spends lavishly in the engineering and the styling of its cars.

Business Coupe, \$1040; Roadster (with rumble seat), \$1065; 2-door Sedan, \$1065; Touring Car, \$1075; 4-door Sedan, \$1145; Coupe (with rumble seat), \$1145. All prices f. o. b. Detroit.

## MAVERICK MOTOR COMPANY

Front Street

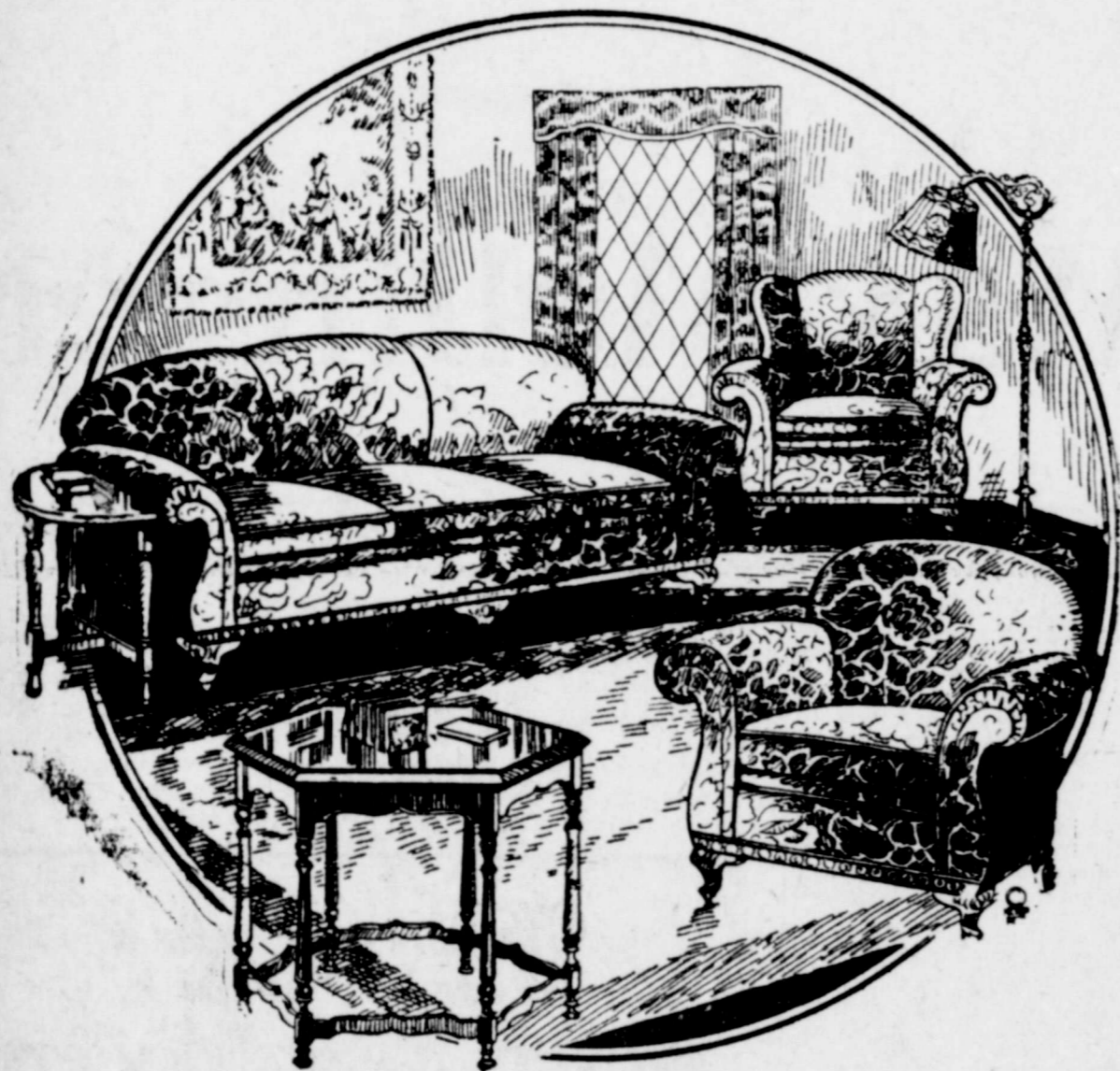
Merkel, Texas

# Two Real Bargains For This Week



The above three-piece Wicker Suite has been slightly used. But was only out a few weeks---it is finished in Barronia Brown--with red and blue decorations upholstered in a good grade of tapestry. This suit sold originally for \$75.00; it can be bought this week for only

## \$38<sup>75</sup>



## A THREE PIECE NEW OVER STUFFED SUIT

This suit was made by one of the leading manufacturers of Grand Rapids, and will be a credit to any home; frame is made of solid maple; construction guaranteed, upholstered in good grade Jacquard Velour with reverse cushions. This suit is slightly shop worn but has never been used; the original price on this suit was \$215.00 and was a good buy at that price, can be bought this week for only

## \$137.50

We will also include a \$10 floor lamp with this suit at no extra charge.

Above two suits are the outstanding bargains we are offering this week. If you are interested see them at once.

# Row Furniture Company

Mr. J. A. Swain, of Temple, was a guest of Mr. T. L. Grimes this week.

Mrs. Floyd Bridges and son Lewis, of Bronte, are guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. I. Grimes this week.

Mrs. T. L. Grimes and baby left this week for a visit with relatives in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Sheppard and daughter, of Dallas, are visiting with friends and relatives in this city.

Mrs. Ed Young and daughters, Misses Bettie, Alice, Thelma and Eva Louise, of Lampasas, are visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. West and other friends in the city.

Mrs. E. S. Swafford and son, of Yoakum, who have been visiting relatives here, left Wednesday for their home.

W. O. Boney and family have returned from their vacation trip to Temple and other South Texas points.

Mrs. W. A. Whiteley left this week for a visit with relatives at Moody, Texas.

NOTICE—If you suffer with a Rupture ask to see our Trusses. Hamm Drug Company. **tf**

Mr. John Sears and daughter, Miss Johnnie, returned yesterday from a vacation trip to scenic points in Western Texas and New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanford returned first of the week from an extended vacation trip to Fort Worth, Dallas and other points in east and south Texas.

Mrs. Ted Lassiter and daughters returned this week from an extended visit with relatives in the state of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Howard and children of Stamford were visiting in this city one day this week. Their many friends here were indeed glad to have them visit here again.

Miss Christine Davis, of Olney, Oklahoma, who is a 1928 graduate of the College of Industrial Arts, at Denton, was a guest of Miss Doris Durham for a few days this week. She was on her way home from a vacation trip to points in New Mexico.

# It's Important

And often overlooked or neglected, the matter of having your car thoroughly Greased. And we are equipped so as to make certain the job is done right. Our—

## GLADISH ELECTRIC HIGH PRESSURE AUTOMOBILE GREASING MACHINE

Guarantees thorough Greasing and thorough Greasing means a longer life car and Complete Running Satisfaction. By electric High Pressure power the grease is forced to the point where it is needed most.

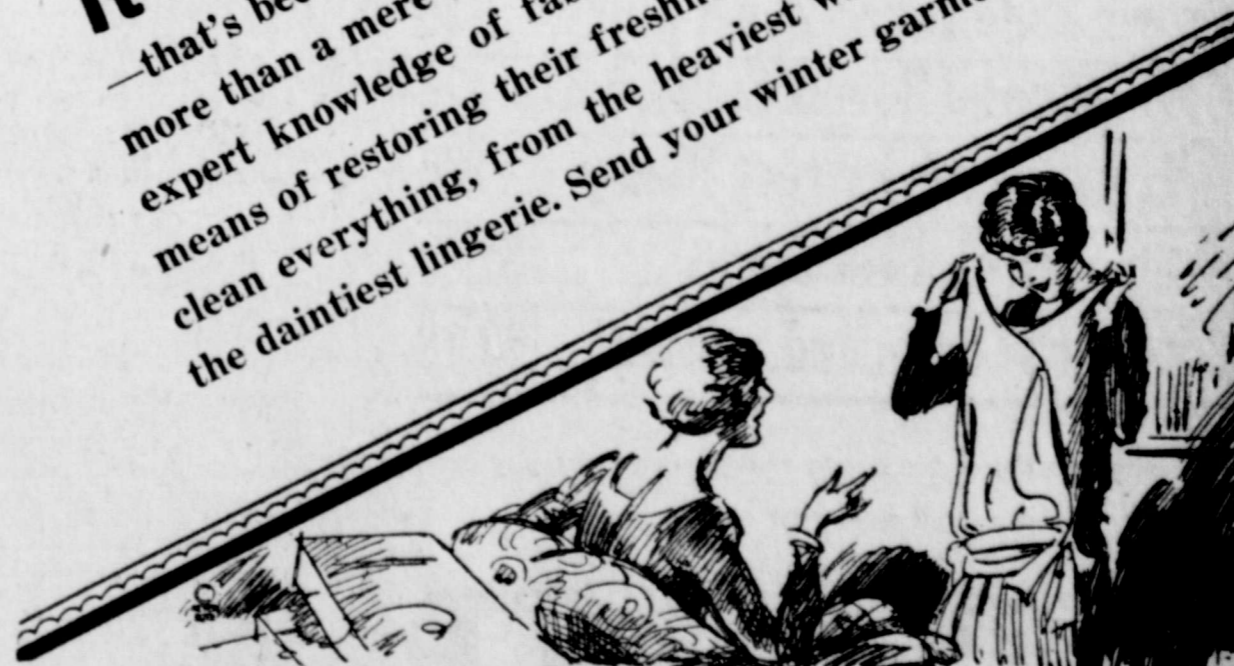
### Goodrich Tires and Tubes Good Gulf Gasoline Pennsylvania Oils

Service that is complete with satisfaction and courtesy. A trial will convince you.

## WOODRUM'S NEW DRIVE-IN FILLING STATION



**"BETTER WORK IN LESS TIME"**  
**It Isn't New-It Only Looks So!**  
—that's because our scientific method of renovation is more than a mere cleaning process. It is based on an expert knowledge of fabrics and the most up-to-date means of restoring their freshness and resilience. We clean everything, from the heaviest winter woollens to the daintiest lingerie. Send your winter garments Now.



## Modern Dry Cleaners

Across Street From Post Office

Elliott

PHONE 3

Wagner

# QUEEN

"SHOWING THE PICK OF ALL PICTURES"

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
ZANE GREY'S MIGHTY STORY

## "UNDER THE TONTO RIM"

The lid is off for action, and will take you in a whirl all the way through.

Also the Great Jungle Serial—

## "Perils of The Jungle"

And 2-reel Comedy—"THE DRAW BACK"

Monday & Tuesday

Florence Vidor

## "The Magnificent Flirt"

The fire of life where life burns the brightest. Glowing, sparkling humor.

Also Comedy—"KO KO'S LAMP ALLADIN" and International News Reel

Wednesday & Thurs

GEORGE SIDNEY and CHARLIE MURRY

## "FLYING ROMEOS"

The Aces of Comedy in a rip-roaring, high-powered, air-revel

And 2-reel Comedy—"KNIGHTS OF THE AIR"

### TRENT NEWS

Mr. M. G. Scott and family made a trip to the Plains this week they were accompanied by Mrs. J. M. Billings as far as Lubbock, where she visited with her son, Marion, and wife, for a short while.

The locals last week were not printed for some cause. Several had handed in locals to Ye Scribe, for which I am due an apology.

Misses Claudia and Anna Loura English of Glen Rose are visiting relatives here this week.

Bro. Watson, our Methodist pastor and family, have returned from their vacation and will take up their work here again.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Jones announce the arrival of a ten pound boy, which made his appearance in the morning of August 16th. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

Mrs. Nina Smith of Bonham visited Mrs. Goma Scott last Sunday returning to Clyde Monday to visit with her mother, Mrs. W. L. Culverhouse. She was accompanied to Clyde by Miss Carmen Walker and Mrs. Scott, who visited there a while, returning Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Vanderhider and daughter, Mary Louise, of Miles, are here on a visit with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Parks, formerly of Miles. They will probably locate here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart and boys visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen of Sweetwater over Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Carlos Robinson and children of Post are here on a visit with relatives. They are accompanied by friends.

Cecil White is visiting relatives here this week.

L. E. Adrian and family returned last Monday after a two weeks vacation to different parts West.

Bro. Huston Scott of Abilene filled the pulpit at the Baptist Church last Sunday at both hours. The pastor is on a vacation visiting relatives in Georgia at this time.

On last Sunday at the home of her son, C. R. Shannon, Mrs. Oliver Bright spent her 48th birthday a few relatives and friends gathered for the occasion and a delicious dinner was served and the ray past entirely too soon. All present reported a delightful time.

Mr. Joe Winters and family have returned home from an extended trip to Colorado and parts in the West. They report a fine trip and conditions of that country very prosperous.

Mr. Sinclair Phillips of Big Lake visited with relatives here last weekend and returned home last Tuesday, his wife and children returning with him after visiting her parents, Mr.

# New Fall Goods Arriving

We wish to say to our friends and customers that we have just this week returned from an extended trip to the Great Eastern Wholesale Markets, and have spent much time and careful personal selection in the purchase of one of the largest and most complete stocks of fall and winter dry goods I have ever before bought.

Having for years studied and become acquainted with the people of this community, I believe I am acquainted, in a measure, with your needs and desires in the dry goods line, and have therefore purchased this extra large stock of seasonable merchandise with the purpose and desire of pleasing your wants in this line.

Our new fall goods are now arriving daily and we take pleasure in urging you to come early, see what we have and make your selections. You will find in this store every need for the entire family, and at reasonable prices.

AND REMEMBER! This Store Always Appreciates

Your Patronage, be it Large or Small.

# Max Mellinger

We have a residence for sale at a bargain. Thompson & Boswell.

We appreciate your business, large or small, and endeavor to merit your patronage by always giving courteous service and quality meats. Beker & Wheeler Market.

Mrs. Delah Harmon and Miss Bess Harmon, of Atlanta, Georgia, are visiting Mrs. Harmon's sister, Mrs. J. B. Jones, of Merkel.

We serve Alta Vista Ice Cream, made in Fort Worth. Hamm Drug Company.

DIAMONDS T.C. WILSON WATCHES JEWELER ABILENE, TEXAS.

TELEPHONE 6  
118 Chestnut Street

## Just Too Hot To Cook

The weather is too hot to cook much these days so come in and let us put up your lunch meats. We specialize in lunch and cooked meats carrying in stock almost anything in that line that you want and like everything else we handle it is the best Quality and the Price is as low as you will find anywhere, quality considered. Our Frigidaire counter keeps it cold and strictly sanitary at All Times.

- Spuds Per Peck ..... 40c
- Prince Albert Tobacco, per can..... 12c
- Cigarettes, any brand, 2 packs..... 25c
- Cigarettes, any brand, carton..... \$1.20
- Brown Mule Tobacco, per plug..... 15c
- Garrett's and Honest Snuff, bottle 33c
- 5-lb. pail fresh extract Honey..... 88c
- 48-lb. Smith's Best Flour..... \$1.88
- 8-lb. Lard Compound, per pail..... \$1.18

The weather is too hot to worry—come and pay cash for your groceries and save your cents.

# M. G. SCOTT CASH GROCERY

TRENT, TEXAS

### ORDER APPROVING TREASURER'S REPORT

On this day the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County, Texas, in regular session compared and examined the quarterly report of Austin Fitts, Treasurer, for the quarter ending June 30, 1928, and find same to be correct and the respective amounts have been received and paid out since the preceding report:

|                                  |           |             |               |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| Jury Fund                        | 1,179.81  | \$ 4,048.00 | \$ 876,070.D. |
| Precinct No. 1 Fund              | 5,754.98  | 23,738.55   | 23,406.83     |
| Precinct No. 2 Fund              | 1,993.76  | 20,065.94   | 9,450.96      |
| Precinct No. 3 Fund              | 1,158.89  | 4,623.18    | 12,179.48     |
| Precinct No. 4 Fund              | 1,439.08  | 13,471.89   | 2,987.89      |
| General Fund                     | 1,956.63  | 11,629.32   | 35,433.82     |
| Pauper Fund                      | 8.48      | 3,384.04    | 5,701.640.D.  |
| Court House Sinking Fund         | 501.27    | 8,021.88    | 1,925.27      |
| Road District No. 1 Sinking Fund | 665.69    | 6,084.46    | 14,644.27     |
| Road District No. 2 Sinking Fund | 59.15     | 5.11        | 4,953.70      |
| Road District No. 3 Sinking Fund | 46.71     | .00         | 5,067.86      |
| Road District No. 4 Sinking Fund | 28.07     | 4.11        | 1,570.82      |
| Road District No. 5 Sinking Fund | 33.50     | 6.72        | 1,402.74      |
| Road District No. 6 Sinking Fund | 49.07     | 306.69      | 3,002.09      |
| Road Warrant Sinking Fund        | 173.37    | 310.87      | 10,318.69     |
| Test Station Fund                | 9.85      | .00         | 1,070.02      |
| Precinct No. 1 Bond Fund         | 365.30    | 17,651.74   | 46,629.74     |
| Precinct No. 2 Bond Fund         | 3,935.53  | 12,550.45   | 65,673.12     |
| Precinct No. 3 Bond Fund         | 302.50    | 8,315.71    | 49,256.90     |
| Precinct No. 4 Bond Fund         | 7,811.32  | 33,627.40   | 3,742.75      |
| Escrow A C F. A. P. 90-A&B 1/2   | .00       | 30,550.88   | 7,522.21      |
| Escrow A C F. A. P. 90-C         | 75,219.97 | .00         | 75,219.97     |
| Escrow A C F. A. P. 468-U2       | .00       | .00         | 9,007.30      |
| Escrow A C F. A. P. 77-U2        | .00       | .00         | 99,360.02     |
| Escrow A C F. A. P. 444-G        | .00       | .00         | 15,956.80     |
| Highway No. 1                    | 4,240.36  | 3,630.85    | 15,303.53     |
| Highway No. 30                   | 857.21    | 44,235.32   | 11,588.42     |
| Highways 1 and 30 Sinking Fund   | 480.68    | 9,152.83    | 24,169.83     |
| Highway 600 M Fund               | 41,748.58 | 124,881.37  | 104,112.40    |
| Highway 600 M Sinking Fund       | 27.41     | .00         | 4,317.00      |
| Per. Improvement Fund            | 83.65     | 586.00      | 1,526.72      |
| Highway No. 1-A Sinking Fund     | .00       | .00         | 2,959.98      |
| Escrow A/C F. A. P. 495 D        | 49,578.42 | .00         | 49,578.42     |

TOTAL CASH IN BANKS ..... \$706,765.00

### BONDS AND SECURITIES OWNED BY SINKING FUND

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Court House Sinking Fund—Road and School Bonds | \$ 5,800.00 |
| Road District No. 1—Road and School Bonds      | 19,300.00   |
| Road District No. 2—Road and School Bonds      | 1,000.00    |
| Highway 1 and 30 Sinking Fund—Road Warrants    | 7,000.00    |

TOTAL SECURITIES OWNED BY COUNTY ..... \$33,100.00

### BOND AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS OF TAYLOR COUNTY

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Highway Bonds 1927 Issue      | \$600,000.00 |
| Court House Bonds             | 78,000.00    |
| Highways 1 and 30 Bonds       | 332,000.00   |
| Road Warrants                 | 92,000.00    |
| Road Warrants, Highway 1 A    | 50,000.00    |
| Road District No. 1 Bonds     | 85,000.00    |
| Road District No. 2 Bonds     | 16,000.00    |
| Road District No. 3 Bonds     | 10,500.00    |
| Road District No. 4 Bonds     | 10,500.00    |
| Road District No. 5 Bonds     | 16,000.00    |
| Road District No. 6 Bonds     | 17,000.00    |
| Paving Warrants               | 2,500.00     |
| Bridge and Machinery Warrants | 11,995.00    |

TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS OF TAYLOR COUNTY ..... \$1,321,495.00

The requirements of Article 401 P. C. have in all respects been Complied with and tabular statements have been filed as required.

TOM K. EPLEN, County Judge.  
G. B. TITTLE, Com. Pr. 1.  
J. R. DILTZ, Com. Pr. 2.  
H. A. TRAMMELL, Com. Pr. 3.  
H. A. NEWBY, Com. Pr. 4.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of August, 1928.  
W. E. BEASLEY, County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas. 11

and Mrs. E. Howell, for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Winter of Lamesa spent the night last Wednesday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter. They were in

route home after visiting relatives in Hunt County.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Winn of daughter of Whitesboro are here on a visit this week with his brother, Mr. J. B. Winn and family.

Mrs. W. A. Abbott took suddenly sick last Friday with an attack of gall stone. She was carried to Dr. Grimes' hospital last Sunday for

treatment, and at this writing is improving.

Mrs. S. G. Bright of Copan, Oklahoma, has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. T. R. Lassiter. She will visit with her brother in Winters and relatives in Fort Worth before her return home.

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