



Box Scores

NOODLE— AB R H PO A E
Derrick, ss 4 0 2 1 4 2
Goode, p, 3b 4 0 1 3 6 0
C. Williams, 3b 0 0 0 0 0 0
Palmer, c 4 0 1 2 2 0
R. Williams, 3b, p 4 0 1 1 1 0
H. Vick, 1b 4 0 1 12 1 1
C. Justice, cf 3 0 0 2 0 0
L. Eason, lf 3 0 2 3 0 0
C. Vick, 2b 3 0 0 2 2 0
Walker, rf 3 0 0 1 0 0

Trent Fielder Leads Sluggers in Circuit With Average of .667
Hitting the ball at the lively clip of .667, Outfielder Cooley of Trent is easily leading the Inter-Community league in slugging. Hughes, Truby hurler, follows in second place with an average of .556, while there are two other .500 hitters in the official batting averages, as released by L. J. Renfro of the baseball committee.

TRENT— AB R H PO A E
Payne, 1b 5 1 2 7 0 4
D. H. Jones, c 4 0 0 11 0 1
H. Tittle, cf 4 1 2 1 0 0
O. Tittle, 2b 3 0 0 3 3 0
O. Jones, 3b, p 3 0 0 0 1 1
Cooley, lf, 3b 4 0 2 1 0 0
C. Tittle, ss 4 0 1 3 4 1
T. Jones, f 4 0 1 1 0 0
L. Jones, p, lf 2 2 1 0 1 0

DIVIDE— AB R H PO A E
Hammonds, lf 4 2 2 1 0 0
Laine, cf 5 1 1 1 0 0
Latimer, 1b 4 1 3 14 0 0
Greer, 3b 5 0 2 1 5 1
Priest, ss 4 0 0 0 3 1
D. Jones, c 4 0 1 5 1 1
McCoy, rf 4 1 1 2 0 0
T. J. Neill, 2b 3 1 0 2 4 0
Barton, 4 1 0 1 2 0

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Gay Paree One of Most Popular Spots at Fair
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Miss June McCaa of Forsan is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Malone and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Peterson and family visited relatives at 8th Sunday.
Miss Frances Scoggins of Merkel spent the week-end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell and family are the proud owners of a new car, also Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell and son are sporting around in their new car.

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# The DIVORCE COURT MURDER

BY MILTON PROPPER



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SEVENTEENTH INSTALLMENT SYNOPSIS . . . Barbara Keith, wife of a prominent Philadelphia business man, is murdered as she waits alone in a side room to testify in the divorce case of Rowland vs. Rowland . . . She was to have testified for the husband, a friend, who was defendant in the action . . . Detective Tommy Rankin is assigned to the case from police headquarters . . . His preliminary investigation disclosed that both Mr. and Mrs. Rowland had gathered evidence against the other of infidelity . . . The will of Mrs. Rowland's first husband directed her lawyer brother, Mr. Willard, to handle the estate until she remarried when the new husband was to come into control. Detective Rankin finds motives and the evidence of guilt for the murder of Mrs. Keith, leading to the doors of virtually all of the principals involved. These principals are, the two Rowlands, Mr. Willard, Mr. Keith, husband of the murdered woman, Hugh Campbell, paramour of Mrs. Rowland, and his underworld confederates . . . NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

Rankin's eyes widened in surprise. "Deserting?" he repeated. "Of course, that would explain his secrecy about his past and why he destroyed the evidence that he was ever in the service. He wasn't caught, was he?"

"No, he evidently escaped successfully."

"I suppose that's his picture, on the next page," the detective observed.

"Yes, the one that was taken at San Diego." Mr. Roche held out the pamphlet.

Rankin reached for it eagerly enough, but without anticipating the shock that followed. Suddenly, at the sight of the features staring at him from the portrait, he gasped. Experienced as he was in extraordinary developments in his investigation of crime, he could not control his astonishment. The passage of eight years was insufficient to prevent his recognition of the face in the picture.

Such was his overwhelming amazement that Mr. Roche eyed him wonderingly.

"What in the world is the matter, Mr. Rankin?" he demanded hurriedly. "You're not ill, I hope? You act as if you're acquainted with the man."

The detective wiped his brow. "That's just it, I am. But it's absolutely incredible; for the life of me, I can't understand how it can be possible. You see—" in time, he recalled how little Mr. Roche knew of the true reason he sought the ex-soldier. "He's a notorious second-story man, and wanted badly in many cities."

With this revelation, he grasped in one fell swoop all the elaborate mechanism of the murder. At one moment he was blindly following his nose; the next, every piece of a complicated and ingenious puzzle, the sheer originality of which he had not even dreamed, fell into place. He needed no more information from the marine records. Now he knew how the crime had been engineered and when it was committed. He perceived all the subtle safeguards by which the murderer prevented suspicion from lighting on him, the daring that revealed his perverted mind. Always ready to allow his opponent due credit, Rankin appreciated his plot, as brilliant and audacious as any he had ever encountered. The measure of its success was the completeness with which it had baffled him until this very moment. With the solution confronting him at every turn, he had been a victim, throughout the case, of a cunning with which he could not escape.

His only consolation lay in the fact that back in Philadelphia he already possessed his quarry's fingerprints. Hence, even without the photograph, he would eventually

have discovered Dennis' identity at Headquarters, when he compared his prints with those he took early in the investigation.

Yet, despite his information and certainty, he lacked positive proof of the criminal's guilt. Not one iota of his evidence was more than circumstantial nor could it be established directly. Though he could show the man's motives and opportunity, and a dozen suspicious moves, they had only the force of suppositions. Dennis had no eyewitnesses to positive acts that linked him inescapably to Barbara Keith's death. So incriminating were the circumstances that Rankin depended on them alone to convict him; but he was not satisfied. He wanted to leave no loophole by which the man might escape and this he could accomplish only with some testimony that brought the deed straight home to him.

While he continued his conversation with Mr. Roche, Rankin's mind raced in search of some fact that would close his net. Step by step he reviewed every transaction of the criminal, his preparations, precautions and final act; and each detail of the plot he discarded as being incapable of direct proof. That is, until he considered Dennis' purchase of the chloroform. In obtaining that, he committed a distinctly incriminating act, which lent overwhelming significance to the purely circumstantial evidence. The difficulty was that, despite a thorough canvassing of all city druggists, Rankin's assistants had thus far been unable to trace it.

Unless his quarry had never bought the drug at all! The idea that occurred to the detective at that instant caused him to break off his conversation with Mr. Roche. Suddenly he had recalled an item of information Mortimer Keith had casually dropped early in the case. At the time he could attach no importance to it, and quickly forgot it; now it suggested a startling possibility that made him stiffen and breathe excitedly, as he pondered it. He did not believe some one else bought the chloroform for Dennis; that was too great a risk.


And if he figured wrongly, he could fall back on the canvass of the city, though that would delay the final arrest. In one conclusion he had faith. Sooner or later, if he followed the man's movements during the entire two weeks prior to the tragedy, he would discover the source of the weapon he used.

The detective immediately acted on his theory and decision. As soon as he finished his business with the secretary, he returned to the Union Station and at 6:15 caught a train for Philadelphia.

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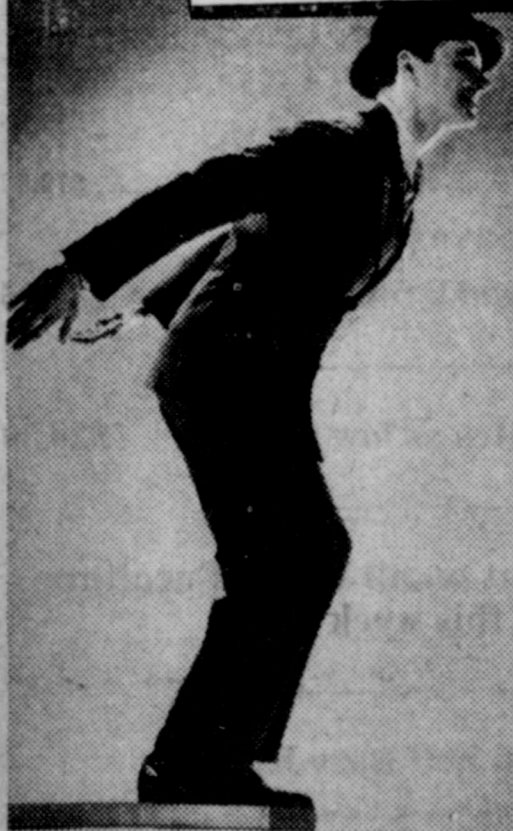
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**Dedication of Hall  
 Of Religion Sunday  
 To be Broadcast**

Dallas, June 18.—Dedication of the Hall of Religion, Centennial exposition, Dallas, will be broadcast Sunday afternoon from 2:15 to 2:45 by Texas Quality Network, WFAA, WBAP, KPRC, WOAI, four of the largest radio stations in Texas, according to announcement of W. A. Scott, Hall of Religion director.

Right Reverend Harry T. Moore, Bishop of Dallas Episcopal church, will make the dedicatory address and L. B. Denning, president of Lone Star Gas company, will speak for stockholders of the Lone Star Gas system who gave the building to the churches of Texas.

The Hall of Religion, given in recognition of the importance of church influence in the conception and development of Texas, affords all religious groups a prominent and distinctive place in celebration of the state's 100th anniversary, according to Scott. "Visitors to the Centennial will find the Hall of Religion a convenient and restful place to meet friends. It is air conditioned and cooled, contains exhibits depicting history of religion in Texas, and affords comfortable furniture, rest rooms, and a spacious outdoor patio," the director said.

**Comings, Goings**

(Continued from Page One)

Mrs. N. M. Sutton and daughter, Patsy, of Casper, Wyo., who have been visiting their uncles, Messrs. Tom and J. L. Douglass, have returned home.

David Gamble is entertaining his roommate at the University of Texas, Frank Doherty, of Hartford, Conn., who will remain over several days en route home, and who is especially interested in seeing the rodeo Saturday. Miss Iris Garrett returned Wednesday from an extended visit to Austin, where she was present for the graduation of a friend from the University of Texas, and from Waco, where she visited her two brothers, Doyle and Barney Garrett.

Mrs. W. L. Harkrider accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent and sons, all of Brownwood, for a visit with friends here last week.

After visiting his mother, Mrs. J. M. Collins, and other relatives, Quinton Collins has returned to his home at Lamesa.

Returning from a visit with their daughter, Mrs. E. E. Beech, at Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, who were accompanied by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dye, and two sons, stopped in Dallas for a visit to the Centennial exposition.

Accompanying her son, Rev. Paul Collins, home to Cloud Chief, Okla., Mrs. J. M. Collins was joined by Mrs. J. S. Pinckley, who went as far as Henrietta, Okla., where Mrs. Pinckley will visit her father, I. W. Yancey.

Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. T. J. Toombs, who was taken ill last week, is still confined to her bed.

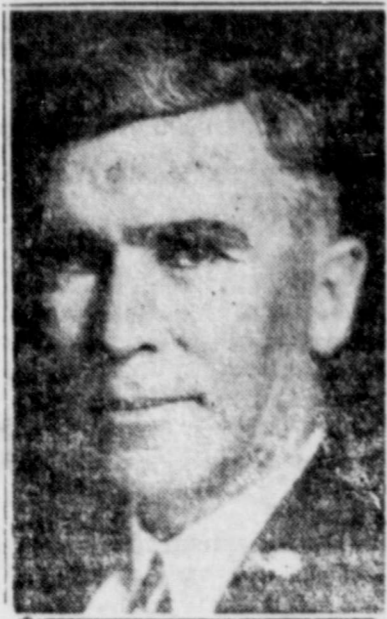
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Walton have as their guests their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Algie Daniels, and little daughter, Patsy Ruth, of Fort Worth.

Carl Black of the Black Radio shop attended a banquet for RCA dealers at the Wooten hotel on Thursday night of last week and expects to attend a similar banquet of Philco dealers at the Hilton hotel on Thursday night of this week.

S. P. Nesmith, who was succeeded as manager of the Queen theatre by Norman Hodge, recently of Anson, and Mrs. Nesmith are now located in Ballinger, where Presley is connected with the theatre there.

**Chicken Dinner  
 Every Day  
 Woody's Cafe**

**Thos. E. Hayden, Jr.,  
 Seeks Attorneyship for  
 104th Judicial District**



Thos. E. Hayden, Jr., former city attorney of Abilene and for four years mayor of that city, has announced as a candidate for district attorney of the 104th district, composed of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties.

His formal statement follows:  
 To the Voters of the 104th Judicial District:

In placing my candidacy for district attorney of the 104th Judicial district before the voters of Fisher, Jones and Taylor counties, I deeply realize the responsibility connected with this office. The rights and liberties of our citizenship are either imperiled or safeguarded by the type of men chosen to enforce our criminal laws.

I was born and reared on a stock farm near Moran. I attended Stamford college, Polytechnic college, and completed my academic and law work at the University of Texas. I taught school for two years, and served ten months overseas during the World War. I have practiced law fifteen years in Abilene, served four years as city attorney, and four years as mayor, voluntarily retiring at the end of my second term.

If elected, I shall at all times cooperate with the district judge, the grand jurors, and the peace officers, and shall never persecute anyone, but

will prosecute those cases warranted by the evidence, and in the preparation and trial of each case, shall endeavor to be courteous and considerate of the rights of all parties before the court, and will so conduct myself in the prosecution as to impel public confidence.

I want to meet and know personally each voter in this district before July 25th, but if time will not permit, I trust you will make a thorough inquiry into my qualifications from those who know me, and if my training, reputation, integrity, and experience, qualify me for the duties of this office, your vote and influence will be appreciated.

THOS. E. HAYDEN, JR.

**RURAL SOCIETY**

**BIRTHDAY PARTY.**

In honor of the fourteenth birthday of Doris Price and Sybil Harris, their mothers, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Harris, gave them a party on Saturday night, June 13, at the home of Mrs. Harris, and the honorees received many nice gifts.

Games were played and every one had a nice time. Cake and punch were served in the later hours after the games.

Those present were: Gertie Lou Pea, Mary Frances Bright, Dessie Marie Baker, Frances May Baker, Burnie Opal Dean, Elberta Dean, Dorra Lee Shelton, Veda Lee Pannell, Doris Price and Sybil Harris, T. C. Jinkens, Junior Clark, G. W. Isenburg, Ralph Russell, L. S. Tipton, J. R. Baker, C. T. Meeks, J. B. Giffen, Woodrow Rogers, Herbert Rogers, A. Z. Johnson, James Williams, Burnell Merritt, and one visitor, Joan Harris, of Brenham.

**GOODMAN HDC ENTERTAINS ANSON LIONS.**

The Goodman Home Demonstration club entertained members of the Anson Lions club, their ladies and other guests with a chicken dinner on Tuesday evening of last week, the affair being held in the Goodman school building.

Walter Pope of Anson presided over the part of the program sponsored by the visitors, others from Anson on the program being Judge Owen Thomas, Omar Burleson, Mayor Reddell and Miss Merle Revel, the latter in songs,

accompanied by Mrs. Bob Foster at the piano.

Mrs. Carl Bonneaux, council delegate, presided over the meeting, with Mrs. C. W. Seago, president of the local club, in charge of part. Entertainment features were furnished by Carl Bonneaux, Jr., who gave two readings: Miss Anna Zel Seago and Mrs. M. O. Woolan in a colored skit, arranged and written by Mrs. Bonneaux, in which the names of Anson Lions were used to give local color, and also some lively tap dancing by Miss Seago.

Among the visitors present were Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zehnpfennig of Merkel, and the following in the Anson party: Mr. and Mrs. Doss Harris, accompanied by Mrs. Gwendolyn Crane of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Judge and Mrs. Owen Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Henslee, Earl Isbell, Rex Reddell, Helen Faye Reddell, Rev. Barney McLean, H. O. Rowland, Mrs. Bob Foster, Miss Merle Revel, Walter Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Lawrence, R. H. Maxwell, Jones county agent, and Miss Jewel Faulkner, home demonstration agent, who was instrumental in arranging the joint meeting.

**GOODMAN NEWS**

We are very sorry to report Alex Carter very ill at this writing and hope he will be o. k. in a hurry.

This hot weather is sure going strong out here but Mr. Weed seems to be the one most seriously suffering. Mrs. Vera Rosson and children of Corpus Christi are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips, Mr. Rosson will join them here for a few weeks stay about July 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Pratt Cox of Golan have moved into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cade of Noodle visited the former's mother, Mrs. Laura Cade.

Miss Pauline Tiner and Emmett Tiner, who are students at Hardin-Simmons and Stephenville, respectively, are spending a few days vacation at home with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tiner.

**NOODLE NEWS**

The farmers of this community are busy chopping cotton and killing

weeds. They all report a fine prospect for a bumper crop.

Homer Herring and family of Bishop are here visiting relatives.

C. B. Jinkens and family spent Sunday at Divide, the guests of her brother, Everett Poole, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Crow spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin near Trent.

Jack Pierce and E. F. Weeks spent Sunday with friends at Stamford.

Mrs. G. G. Cantrell and two children of Carlsbad, N. M., are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sosebee.

W. H. Eoff and wife visited her mother at Sweetwater Sunday.

Mrs. D. C. Callaway is visiting in San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

W. J. Bicknell is visiting friends and relatives in Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Vick of Merkel visited in our community Sunday.

Joe B. Sosebee and family left Thursday for Corpus Christi, where

they expect to make their home.

Mrs. T. E. Goode is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Carter, near Odessa.

Uncle Ben Wheeler of Merkel attended church here Sunday.

Boyd Tarpley and family were dinner guests of his brother, E. M. Tarpley, and family Sunday.

Dub Ford of Stith visited J. D. Sosebee Friday night.

Atlas Phillips of Goodman attended church here Sunday.

Alec Carter is very sick at this writing. We hope he will soon be on the road to recovery.

Glen Tarpley, Leroy Hood, Doris Wilson and Cleo and Harold Sosebee attended church at Stith Sunday night.

Henry Satterwhite left Sunday for Fort Worth, where he will attend Brantley-Draughon Business college.

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HOUSTON ROBERTSON.  
A. J. CANON (Re-election.)  
P. A. DILTZ.  
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4, Jones county:  
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L. R. CADE.  
For County Clerk:  
(MISS) VIVIAN FRYAR.  
CLARENCE L. DARDEN.  
E. D. (Dean) DAVIS.  
G. B. TITTLE.  
For Sheriff:  
S. H. (Sid) McADAMS.  
BURL WHEELER.  
MERVYN MEEKS.  
ROSS L. MILLER.  
For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5:  
CLYDE SHOUSE (Re-election.)  
For District Clerk:  
MISS BELLE WELLBORN (Re-election.)  
MRS. IMOGENE HAMPTON.  
For County Attorney:  
ESCO WALTER.  
For County Tax Assessor-Collector:  
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W. P. BOUNDS.  
For Representative, 116th District:  
DENT GIBSON.  
For Judge, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):  
OWEN THOMAS.  
W. R. CHAPMAN (Re-election.)  
For Attorney, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):  
THOS. E. HAYDEN, JR.  
OTIS MILLER (Re-election.)  
For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 5:  
S. C. VICK.  
N. D. COBB.  
E. L. WILSON.  
For County Judge:  
A. A. HEATHINGTON.  
JOHN CAMP (Re-election.)  
LINDSAY P. WALDEN.  
For Constable, Precinct No. 5:  
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STAYED from pasture, white-faced Hereford bull, branded "X" on left hip. Reward, Notify Virgil Patterson, Merkel, Texas, Route 3.

### Program at Salt Branch.

The Salt Branch P. T. A. will sponsor a program at the school on Friday night of this week. Every one is invited to attend.

Get our Fly Spray—Help old Jersey out, Burton-Lingo Co.

### Bleeding Gums Healed.

The sight of sore gums is sickening. Reliable dentists often report the successful use of LETO'S PYORRHEA REMEDY on their very worst cases. If you will get a bottle and use as directed druggists will return money if it fails. Merkel Drug Company.

## Miss Jewel Faulkner, Jones Co. HDA, Resigns

At the regular monthly meeting of the Jones County Home Demonstration club on June 10, official announcement was made by Miss Maurine Hearn, district agent, of the resignation of Miss Jewel Faulkner, Jones county home demonstration agent. This resignation is to become effective July 1.

Miss Day, Stonewall county home demonstration agent, with three women from her council, were welcomed as visitors. Plans were made for the women's joint encampment to be held by Jones and Stonewall county, Aug. 19-20, at Lueders encampment grounds.

Mrs. V. L. Merritt, (Goodman club), council secretary, was elected as council delegates to the Farmers Short Course in July.

Miss Horn addressed the council on "Essentials of Club Women." In stressing work of demonstrators she said: "No contest is as important as the demonstration itself."

### Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Barrow W. Knight, Thursday, June 11, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Strawn, Stith, Sunday, June 14, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayfield, Blair, Monday, June 15, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gregory, residing in the Canyon, Thursday, June 18, 1936.

### Rainfall Over Half Inch.

Rainfall of five-eighths of an inch was recorded by Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale Friday morning, bringing the year's total figure to 11 3-4 inches.

Office supplies—Mail office.

## FLOWERS

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## Interesting Program Centers on Stewardship

Results in the stewardship contest between two teams of the woman's missionary society of the Presbyterian church were announced at a specially arranged program and "church night" on Wednesday evening in the basement of the church.

Mrs. Emory Jones' team had scored 2,000 points, while the opposing team, captained by Mrs. John West, reported 1,840 points. Mrs. Henry C. West is president of the missionary society.

Following a program on "Stewardship," which included songs, a prayer, a devotional by Mrs. John R. Walling, stewardship secretary, and a reading, "The Mansion," from Henry Van Dyke, by Mrs. John West, refreshments of sandwiches and lemonade were enjoyed.

### Elect Atkinson Commander.

Shreveport, La., June 18.—General Homer Atkinson, 88-year-old veteran of Petersburg, Va., was elected commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans to succeed General Harry Rene Lee of Nashville, Tenn. Place for next year's meeting was not decided upon, owing to uncertainty whether a reunion would be held.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their assistance in many ways, especially in helping work out our crop and for preparing the bountiful dinner; also for many kindnesses during my wife's illness at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hobbs.

## Conducts Rites Late Callahan Co. Clerk

Rev. R. A. Walker, who is part time pastor of the Presbyterian church at Baird, conducted the rites Sunday afternoon for S. E. Settles, 52, county clerk of Callahan county, who was killed in an automobile collision Friday near Arlington.

The services were held from the lawn of the Callahan county court

house, with interment in the SEVEN cemeteries.

Accompanying the Rev. Mr. Walker to Baird for the services Sunday were Mrs. Walker, Miss Vera Walker and Delma Compton.

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Warner Baxter in

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Hoot Gibson in

"Sunset Range"

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Oranges, dozen	25c
Lemons, dozen	27c
Apples, dozen	25c
Tomatoes, 2 pounds	15c
Lettuce, head	5c

Red and White Pears, No. 2 1-2 can	22c
Davis	
Coco Malt, 1 lb. can	39c
Bird Brand	
Shortening, 4 pounds	45c
Pure Cane	
Sugar, 10 pounds	53c

### National Salad Dressing Sale

Sun Spun	
Salad Dressing, 8 oz. jar	13c
16 oz. jar	22c—quart 34c
Salad Spread, 8 oz. jar	13c
Red and White	
Mayonnaise, 8 oz. jar	13c
16 ounce jar	23c

### CANNING SUPPLIES

Kerr	
Jar Lids, reg., doz.	10c
Kerr	
Jar Lids, wide mouth, doz.	15c
Red and White	
Jar Rubbers, dozen	8c
Paraffin	
Wax, pound	15c
Kerr	
Mason Jars, pints, doz.	63c
quarts, dozen	73c
Mason	
Jar Caps, dozen	23c
Red and White	
Pineapple, No. 1 can	10c
No. 2 can	18c

### FLOUR

Red and White	
12 lbs.	53c—24 lbs. 95c
48 pounds	\$1.75
Red and White	
Grape Juice, pint	15c
Liptons	
Tea, glass free, 1-4 lb.	23c
Red and White	
Peas, No. 2 can	17c

Gold Medal	
Wheaties, 2 packages	25c
Red and White	
Washo, large package	19c
Early Riser	
Coffee, pound	17c
Small	
Gold Dust, 3 packages	10c
Paste	
Shoe Polish, all colors box	9c
Crystal White	
Soap, 6 bars	24c
Cheese, pound	19c
Sliced Bacon, pound	29c
Salt Plates, pound	13c

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Announces for Election to Post As District Attorney



Otis Miller, district attorney of the 104th district of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties, in announcing his candidacy for re-election, has issued the following statement to the voters of this district:

In the Sunday issue of the Abilene Reporter-News for January 19th, 1936, I announced for re-election to a second term as District Attorney of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties. Since that time, at the eleventh hour, opposition has developed. I am 43 years old and in all my 22 years of voting in the democratic party I have always held to the accepted democratic doctrine that if a man made a good record during his first term that he was entitled to a second term, especially if the office he held was a two year term office such as the district attorney's office. The people of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties will remember the up-hill fight I waged little more than a year ago to win this office, having had to go through two primary elections, and I believe that on the basis of what I have accomplished as your District Attorney in one year and five months I am entitled to a second term in the office.

I do not believe that a man in office is entitled to a second term unless he has a record to stand on. I am not asking for a second term as your District Attorney solely on the theory that a man, regardless of his record, is entitled to a second term. I am asking that you investigate my record and if you find that I have stood four-square for law and order, if you find that I have stood one hundred per cent for law enforcement, if you find that I have safe-guarded public morals, in short, if you find that I have stood for all that is right and fair and decent in society, in both my public and private life, then I sincerely invite you to not only vote for me for a second term as your District Attorney, but that you tell your friends and neighbors that you believe I am entitled to a second term.

If I may be permitted to do so without in any manner getting away from my record as District Attorney, I believe my accomplishments for the people of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties before I was elected District Attorney entitle me to a second term as your District Attorney. Before I asked the people for the office of District Attorney I had rendered a signal service to the taxpayers of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties by carrying on a state-wide fight for a special session of the Legislature to take the

road bond indebtedness off the counties, I carried that fight to every county in Texas. The Special session of the Legislature was called and the Road Bond Assumption Law was passed and today every county in Texas, including Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties, has a tax rate from 20 to 50 per cent lower than it was before the law was passed. I spent over five hundred dollars out of my own pocket in carrying on this fight and in staying twenty-one days in Austin before the Legislature in seeing the law through to final enactment. This service will continue to redound to the benefit of the taxpayers of Texas, including the taxpayers of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties, for the next 35 to 40 years, which was the period of time most of the bonds had yet to run.

I especially appeal to the voters of the District, and particularly to the voters of the city of Abilene, to recall the up-hill fight I waged little more than a year ago in the first primary and in the second run-off primary election when the argument was used against me that I was not an Abilene man. I believe the fair-minded voters of the city of Abilene and of Taylor county subscribe to the doctrine that the other two counties of the district are entitled to consideration in the matter of choice of district officers. Moreover, I believe that the fair-minded voters of Abilene and Taylor county subscribe to the time-honored Democratic doctrine that if a man has a good record—a record that will stand up under the most thorough and painstaking investigation—that he is entitled to a second term especially in an office that is made by law a two year term office such as is the office of district attorney.

I want to thank the people of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties for the splendid support given me in my first campaign, and for the hearty and sincere co-operation which I have had in my efforts to enforce the law and to create a wholesome respect for and obedience to the law. Since January 8th of this year I have worked continuously in Court and am now in the sixth term of Court since that date. During that time I have tried innumerable criminal cases, including two long-drawn-out murder cases. I am now in the first week of a seven weeks term of Court in Taylor county which will not close until July 25th, the day of the primary election. What time I have to campaign will have to be

sandwiched in on those days of the term when I am not engaged in Grand Jury work or the trial of cases. I hope to find time to see most of the voters of the district, but it is, of course, a physical impossibility for me to hope to see every voter. I will appreciate my friends of Jones county where I have lived for thirty years taking this as a personal solicitation of your vote and influence. Such consideration on your part will permit me to spend most of what time I have to campaign in the two other counties of the district.

If I am given a second term I promise to hold sacred that trust and, as I have done heretofore, to devote the fullest measure of my time and talents to the enforcement of all the laws all the time, without fear or favor, tempering justice with mercy where mercy is due, but insisting that the full penalty of the law be meted out to those offenders who show their disregard for the rights of others by repeated offenses against the person and property of our citizens.

I am now in my 15th term of court and during that time I have worked with 15 Grand Juries composed in all of 180 men. These 180 men know better than any other persons whether or not I am qualified to serve you as District Attorney. They know better than any one else whether or not I am entitled to a second term. The District Clerk's office in Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties will furnish any interested voter with a list of the

names of the Grand Jurors of your respective county. The other part of my work as your District Attorney is also on record in the District Clerk's office. There you will find a record of every case I have handled and the final disposition made of each case. I invite every interested voter to consult these records and to obtain a list of every Grand Juror I have worked with in your respective county. From a study of the actual records and from talking with the Grand Jurors who know better than any other person whether or not I am entitled to a second term as District Attorney, the voters of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties can get the actual facts and thereby cast an intelligent, unbiased and unprejudiced ballot. I will sincerely appreciate such an investigation into my private life and public record.

If my work during the year and five months of my first term which I have served as District Attorney merits your further confidence and you honor me with a second term, I promise the people of Taylor, Jones and Fisher counties that I will labor diligently to the end that we may continue to maintain those standards of moral and social decency in our several communities which will guarantee to every one security in life, liberty and property, and the opportunity to rear one's family under moral and established American traditions.

Sincerely yours,  
OTIS MILLER.

Seven Rodeo Events Scheduled Each Day At Stamford Reunion

Stamford, June 17.—Although there will be many worthwhile attractions on the program of the seventh annual Texas Cowboy Reunion to be held in Stamford July 2, 3 and 4, the chief entertainment feature of the Reunion will be the rodeo, featuring the cowhands from the ranches.

Word has been received from numerous contestants and visitors of former years that they will be on hand this year when the gates swing open on July 2. In addition many Centennial visitors to Texas are expected to visit Stamford during the Reunion to witness a rodeo that has been classified as "an authentic survival of a typically Western institution."

Seven rodeo events are on the card for this year's show. Three rodeo performances will be held each day during the Reunion—morning, afternoon and night. Cash prizes in the rodeo events total \$1600. Prize saddles, boots, spurs, hats and other premiums will swell the total prize list to approximately \$2500.

Cash prizes will be given in bronco-busting, calf-roping, steer-riding and wild-cow milking each day. A special junior steer-riding contest will be staged at night performances on July 3 and 4, and the winners will receive cash prizes. Cowboys over 55 years of age will compete for honors on July

2 and 3 in a special calf-roping contest, the winner to receive a hand-made saddle.

In addition to these attractions, a cutting horse contest will be held on the morning of July 3. This contest has always been popular with the spectators, because more depends upon the skill of the horse than the ability of the rider. It is particularly popular with the cowboys who like to boast of the skill and intelligence of their horses. Each contestant must cut five head of cattle, designated by colored ribbons, out of a herd. The horse and rider doing the job with the greatest skill and speed wins the contest and prize, a fine hand-stamped saddle.

A change has been made in the rules of the cutting horse contest in that there will be no elimination contest as in former years. The entire contest will be held on the morning of July 3, the horses being given their final rating by the judges at that time. Certain changes will be made in the manner of conducting the contest, in order to give the rider a better chance to show his horse.

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- Mackerel, 3 tins 25c
- Beans, Heinz, per tin 10c
- Jello, 2 packages 15c
- Pinto Beans, 5 pounds 19c
- Coffee, All Star, pound 17c
- Gelatin, White Swann, 5c

- TOMATOES, fresh pinks, per pound 5c**
- TOMATOES, No. 2 tins, 4 tins 25c**
- PORK & BEANS, Phillips Delicious, 6 tins 25c**
- Pineapple Juice, per can 10c
- Orange Juice, small can 10c
- Tomato Juice, 3 tins 25c
- Tomato Juice, small tin 5c
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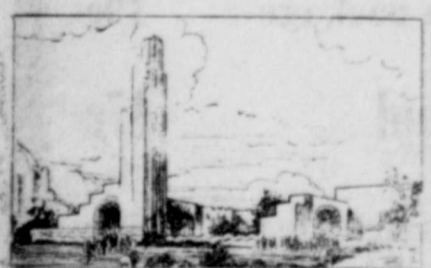
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- Dry Salt Bacon, lb. 19c**
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**ON THE AIR Sunday--2:15 p. m.**



**Dedicatory Services for the HALL OF RELIGION at Centennial Exposition**

All Texas is invited to tune-in Sunday (June 21st) at 2:15 p. m. and hear dedicatory services for the Hall of Religion—one of the most beautiful and restful buildings on Texas Centennial Exposition grounds. The building is a gift from the stockholders of the Lone Star Gas System to Texas churches.

**TEXAS QUALITY NETWORK Sunday, June 21st 2:15 p. m.**

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Divorce Court Murder

(Continued From Page Three) Three hours later the train deposited him in Broad Street Station and he went directly to City Hall to complete the necessary formalities. Then armed with the warrant, he departed and walked briskly down Broad Street to Pine. Here he turned, and just past 16th Street he stopped before a bleakly respectable brownstone house, four stories high. The lower windows were dark; but a brass shingle on one front sill—"Dr. Anton Brantman"—indicated that one of the most eminent specialists in ailments of the head lived there. Though it was long after office hours, Rankin rang the bell. Five minutes elapsed before footsteps echoing along the stairs announced Dr. Brantman's approach. Without any comment he led Rankin into the lofty waiting room for patients. Rankin apologized for the intrusion and then came directly to the point. His first query caused Dr. Brantman to shake a solemn head and tighten his lips with a sigh. "Yes, I was well acquainted with Mrs. Keith," he replied; "I treated her for headaches . . . A dreadful business that." He paused and made commiserating sounds. "Only I don't think it was Wednesday evening, May twenty-fourth, that she consulted me last; it was several days later." He went with Rankin into his private office. "Yes, I am right." He pointed a finger at a scrawled, almost illegible notation. "Here it is, two days later, at eight-thirty p. m., on Friday, May twenty-sixth." "Of course, doctor, that fits in perfectly after all," declared Rankin. "She couldn't have visited you Wednesday. She was accompanied, wasn't she, Dr. Brantman?" At the physician's reply, his face lighted with a half smile of confidence. After that more eagerly and rapidly he began to put his questions, insistently pressing upon Dr. Brantman his startling inspiration. Finally, the doctor could no longer contain his uneasiness. "I don't doubt, Mr. Rankin, that what you suggest is possible," he admitted. "My nurse, Miss Vickers, wasn't here to watch and I had no other patients; and my drug shelves are quite open. If I happened to be

occupied at this desk, I might not notice what went on behind the screen. Only it's so difficult to believe." "Not if you knew the person we're dealing with as well as I do," Rankin returned. "But wouldn't Mrs. Keith be curious about the theft? She'd question it, or stop him, or inform me of it." "She was in no position to prevent anything," Rankin explained. "She didn't dare interfere . . . You had better look, doctor, to find out whether I'm mistaken. But just point out the drug; we must be careful not to destroy any clues or prints." "I hope to God you are wrong," Dr. Brantman murmured fervently. More pallid than usual, he stepped behind the screen. The detective located the bottle. "I fear that you are right after all, Mr. Rankin," he announced gravely. "The amounts don't check at all; I should have seven ounces left. Even if my judgment is only roughly correct, at least four ounces are missing." Delighted by the substantiation of his theory, Rankin lifted the vial with extreme caution. "And that means there should be fingerprints," he commented, "if this hasn't been disturbed since. . . He probably brought along a small container instead of taking this." Fifteen minutes later, with the

evidence upon which he relied and selected the entrance into the left wing, in the vestibule of which he paused at the letter boxes. He indicated one. "That's the one we want, boys—three-C, third floor," he declared. "Now remember your orders—to stay out of sight while I enter." He drew out a whistle, borrowed from one of the officers. "Don't interfere unless I blow this," he continued. "I expect I can manage him by myself; but he'll be desperate, so stand by, ready in case he is troublesome." With that, he pressed the button beneath the name of the man he sought; and in a moment, a buzzing sound released the catch on the inner door. The three men trooped in, over a red-tiled floor, and, disregarding the elevators, ascended the stairs on the right. On the third floor, the softly-lighted corridor stretched in both directions, lined with regular-spaced, numbered U-shaped, each of its three wings doors, 3C so close to the stairhead that, to prevent observation, the detective dismissed the cab and

steps toward a midway landing. Then Rankin advanced to the apartment door and boldly seized the brass knocker. (Concluded Next Week.) Have you cashed your RAT DAY Tickets. Office supplies—Mail office.

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Gulf Service Station
Fox Wrecking Shop
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