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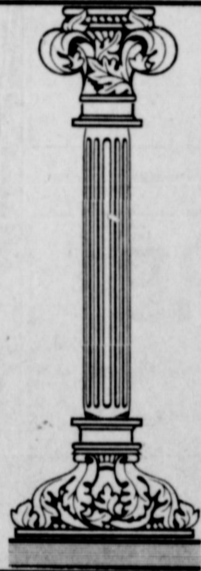
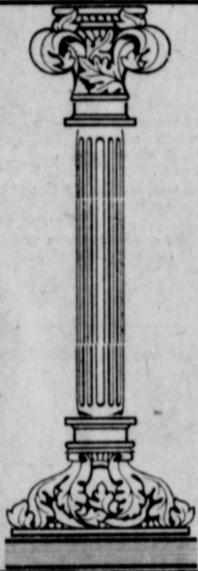
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### CHURCH NOTICE.

Next Sunday will be the last Sunday of the Conference year and every member of the M. E. Church is earnestly requested to be present at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning.

Committee.

Conductor F. G. Conner, who was hurt at Baird on the night of the 23rd by his caboose being run into by another caboose, was able to be out Wednesday for the first time since the accident. Brakeman Frost who was injured at the same time is getting along nicely.—Big Springs Enterprise.

### COTTONWOOD LOCALS.

Oct. 29th.—Unavoidably we are a little late this week, but it is the best we can do. The northers are becoming more frequent now and each time it increases the dose.

The peanut crop is about all in the shock now and awaits the thrasher.

W. F. Griffin and family, J. C. Murdock and wife and Oden and Nurdyke and wife visited the Fair last week.

Bruce Griffin and Bart Coppinger, who are attending Britton's Training School at Cisco, were visiting home-folks at Cottonwood Sunday.

John Robinson, who has been spending several months in Collins and Hunt counties, returned to his home in Cottonwood Saturday.

Mr. G. T. Wright, who has been living one and a half miles east of Cottonwood, has moved to town and is occupying the house vacated by Charlie Coffee, who is now occupying the John Griffin place. Mr. Wright is the man who bought J. F. Coffee's blacksmith shop and wood-work business in Cottonwood.

T. A. Coppinger and son, Louis, visited the former's brother in Hunt County last week and incidentally took in the Fair in passing through Dallas. Prof. H. S. Varner will begin the fall term of the Cedar Bluff free school Monday.

Mr. James Robertson has moved back to Cottonwood and now occupies the J. R. Haley house in the eastern portion of town.

Grady Respass will begin his school at the Erath school house in the north portion of the county on Monday the 3 inst.

Our gin has quite a lot of idle time now with a prospect for more; quite a number of the fields are looking like the closing scenes were being enacted. Number of bales gin-

ned up to date 754. The gin man has appointed gin days for next week.

The Cottonwood free school will begin Monday with a full corps of teachers. Not being connected with the school in any way, we are not prepared to say as the outlook of the school.

Political interest continues to grow apace but slowly and as each new candidate announces he is discussed to some extent and then stood aside to await the advent of next one.

Yes, Uncle "Juan" we are still among the living and keep in very good keeping, thanks, but can not account for it for there are not many of the good things of life falls to our share.

"Uncle Jimmie."

Editor's Note: The anti's judged the future by the past, perhaps, as we had a five year's drouth under prohibition, and were mistaken, but don't ever talk about another pro election, Uncle Jimmy, the drouth might return, and don't bother about the rain, because it will require lots more of it to wet the earth way down deep like it was in the good old days before we had all these new fangled political fads to divide and distract the people.

As to the Gambrell-Rankin crowd, let them go. They are on the way to break their political necks and the Democratic party will be better off without them.

There was a fire alarm turned in from Mrs. Pryor's residence Tuesday night; but owing to a misunderstanding as to the location part of the firemen with the main fire truck did not reach the fire until it was extinguished. The fire started in a closet in the kitchen, which was burned out before the fire was discovered.

Coal—Coal—Coal. W. G. Bowlus.

### Eastern Star.

Callahan Chapter No. 242, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet in regular session, Tuesday night, Nov. 11th. The Worthy Matron requests that all members be present at this meeting.

Remember Booth Lowrey's date—Nov. 11th—at school auditorium.

### Warning To All.

My pasture is posted and I positively forbid any and all persons from gathering pecans on my place east of Baird. Persons taking pecans without my permission are guilty of theft and will be prosecuted.

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## MEXICAN PRESIDENT SILENT

So Far as Known Has Made No Reply to Note Delivered to Him from Washington.

City of Mexico.—President Huerta has been told he must resign the presidency of Mexico without loss of time, and that he must not leave as his successor Gen. Aureliano Blanquet, his minister of war, or any other member of his official family or the unofficial coterie whom he might be expected to control.

This ultimatum from Washington was conveyed to President Huerta through his private secretary, Senor Rabago, by Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, acting under instructions from the state department.

Huerta is Silent.

Senor Rabago presented the notification from Washington to his chief late Sunday but up to Monday evening President Huerta had returned no answer and as far as could be learned had guarded its contents from almost all of his official and intimate counselors.

Those who learned of the Washington note regard Gen. Huerta's position as one in which he will be forced to give one of two answers—refusal point blank to comply with the demand, possibly going so far as to hand the diplomatic representative his passports, or the elimination of himself officially. Those most intimate with the president insist that the latter course will not be taken for many reasons, chief among which is that such action would be tantamount to submission to the revolutionists.

Official Mexico is no longer in doubt that the Washington administration favors the revolutionists' cause, and is convinced that this is the means adopted by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan to assist Carranza to win.

War Plans Ready.

Washington.—The "war plans" of the army ordnance department are completed, and for the first time in the history of the country Uncle Sam is in readiness, at a moment's notice, to arm and equip 500,000 men to send into the field in event of war with a first class power. These plans have been worked out during the last six years through the systematic and unremitting labor of Lieut. Col. J. T. Thompson of the ordnance department under the direction of Brig. Gen. William Crozier, chief of the bureau.

New York Plans Big Dock.

New York.—Aroused by port improvements elsewhere, particularly in Boston, the dock department of New York has decided upon building a dry dock large enough to accommodate the "forthcoming 1,000-foot ship." The dock will be located on the South Brooklyn water front on land which has been owned by the city for seven years without bringing any returns. The project will cost about \$2,500,000 and the dock department is confident that it will prove itself to be self-sustaining.

Loan Company Convicted.

Boston, Mass.—The Mason Financial Company of Chicago was convicted of violating a recently enacted law which limits the rate of interest on small loans to 12 per cent a year. Testimony showed that the company in some cases received 500 per cent interest and that in four years it had made \$24,000 on an original capital of \$1,000. The penalty

Beethoven Hall Burns; Loss \$50,000.

San Antonio, Texas.—Beethoven hall, one of the oldest German clubhouses in San Antonio and perhaps the largest in Texas, was destroyed by fire. The loss on the building, a three-story stone and frame structure, was \$50,000. The loss on the contents has not been estimated. The hall was built about 25 years ago. It had been the scene of many notable German functions, as well as public meetings. It was built and owned by the Beethoven Maennererchor. The building was fully covered by insurance.

Child Burned to Death.

Palestine, Texas.—Dorothy Lee, 3 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Langston, living at Alder Branch, was burned to death and her baby sister slightly burned. Playing with matches is said to have been the cause.

Killed by Switch Engine.

Grand Prairie, Texas.—Tom Birks, an employe of the Grand Prairie Gravel Company, was run over and killed by a Texas and Pacific switch engine at the gravel pit here.

Woman's Burns to Death.

Bedias, Texas.—Mrs. Christ Parr, who resided ten miles east of Bedias, was burned to death at her home. She was dressing her children before an open fire when her clothing became ignited.

## CONVICT-BUILT ROADS ASSOCIATION FORMED

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## J. L. GOGGANS IS PRESIDENT

Change in Prison System Expected to Be Made Gradually—Would Follow Colorado Plan.

Dallas, Texas.—A resolution advocating the working of state convicts of the first-class upon the highway of Texas by the state was adopted unanimously by the Texas Convict Built Roads association, a new organization which was formed at a mass meeting here of about 80 representative business men from all parts of the state, who had gathered pursuant to call of Morris Stern, president of the Galveston commercial association.

The new organization is to be only temporary, according to plans, with the sole purpose of securing legislation for the working of convicts upon the highways of the state under supervision of some state department. J. L. Goggans of Dallas was elected president; Morris Stern of Galveston vice president, and H. H. Haines of Galveston assistant secretary. The association voted to establish offices in Dallas and the officers elected, as an executive committee, were authorized to employ an active secretary to take charge of the detail work. There are to be 31 vice presidents, one representing each senatorial district in the state.

Frequent reference was made during the proceedings of the day to the Colorado system of working convicts on the roads, evolved by Warden Thomas J. Tynan of the Colorado prison system, and it was made clear that the association is to work toward some law that will adapt the general ideas of that system to Texas conditions. The belief was expressed by many of the speakers that such a law would redound to the benefit of the entire people by materially assisting in the building of good roads and to the benefit of the prisoners themselves as being more humane than the present practice of confining prisoners within the penitentiary walls or working them under guard on the prison farms.

The meeting was most representative, with delegates present from all parts of the state from various good roads associations, civic organizations and commercial bodies.

Two Die of Extreme Old Age in Texas

Austin, Texas.—The death of a negro woman at the extreme old age of 116 years in Williamson county is reported in the September report of R. P. Babcock, state registrar of vital statistics. A white woman, aged 111 years, died in Bexar county.

Fifty-Four Drown in Salvador Floods.

San Salvador.—Fifty-four deaths from drowning were reported from districts of the Republic of Salvador inundated by a rainfall of unprecedented severity, lasting throughout Monday and Tuesday. Complete reports, it is believed, will greatly augment the list of dead. The rainfall here was about ten inches. All the low-lying country has been flooded by rains that have fallen for 36 hours. Much agricultural property has been destroyed, bridges washed away, railroad traffic suspended and telegraphic communication interrupted.

Felix Diaz Reaches Havana.

Havana.—Gen. Felix Diaz reached Havana on the Ward Line steamship Esperanza. "To remain in Mexico was to lose my life and the lives of my most intimate friends, who escaped with me," he said as he landed. "No other way than that which we took was open to us. The situation in Mexico is without parallel in the history of that country. Huerta is dragging Mexico down to ruin and has established a rule of terror."

Fort Worth Arson Cases Continued.

Weatherford, Texas.—What are known as the First Baptist church arson cases of Fort Worth, called for trial here on a change of venue from Tarrant county, were continued until May 4, because of the absence of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Hill of Dallas and B. H. Fulkerson of Fort Worth, material witnesses for the prosecution. Two of these, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, who had been subpoenaed, were fined \$500 each, and attachments were ordered for them.

Edward Morris, Packer, is Dead.

Chicago, Ill.—Edward Morris, president of Morris & Co., packers, died at his home Monday after an illness of more than a year. Mr. Morris was born in Chicago 47 years ago and was the oldest son of the late Nelson Morris, pioneer packer. He suffered a nervous breakdown about a year ago and was obliged to give up active business. He spent last winter traveling in California, but when he returned last spring friends noted that he had not been benefited by the trip.

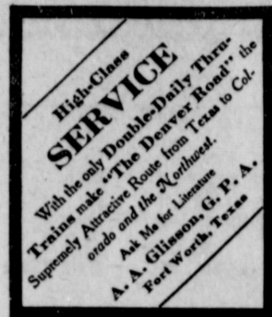
An appropriation of \$200 has been made by the Jones county commissioners to be used in continuing the farm demonstration work in that county. This is an increase of \$300 over last year's allotment.

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Haskell county went dry Saturday by two to one. They will find that Haskell is really dry after November 18th, perhaps something it has not heretofore experienced.

Congressman Smith is a candidate for reelection. Judge Blanton, also a pro and a free raw materialist, has announced himself as a candidate.

If you will remember THE STAR told you during the local option contest that no liquor would be received by express for use as a beverage after November 18th.

The ants are not half as much worried over the pro primary as the pro organ, Home and State believes. The ants feel that the pros have started on the road to a complete separation of themselves from the Democratic party.

There were many old timers at the State Fair on Press day. One of the best of Romans, W. E. Gilliland of the Baird Star, was in the throng. He has attended every meeting of the State Fair and the State Fair was born twenty-eight years ago.

opening of the Cotton Palace. Joseph Emerson Smith, the very able and modest managing editor of the San Antonio Express, mingled with the throng. North Texas editors were there to a man. President Joseph J. Eckford of the Fair Association made a notable speech, while Lee J. Rountree and Joseph Taylor, the big chiefs of the National and the State Press Association, covered all within a radius of a half a mile with leaves from their rhetorical bouquets.

TUESDAY'S ELECTIONS.

The Democrats carried the following states, Tuesday: Massachusetts, Maryland, Kentucky and New Jersey. The Democrats lost New York City and the lower house of the legislature.

Former Governor Sulzer, of New York, who was fired out of office, was elected to the lower branch of the legislature. John Purroy Mitchell, and appointee of President Wilson, defeated the Democratic nominee for mayor of New York, by 120,000 majority.

The Republicans carried Pennsylvania and New York and made gains in many cities. Upon the whole the Democrats did well, but the success of the party was due largely to the division in Republican ranks.

One of the features of the New York election was the overwhelming defeat of Tammany Hall, which includes the state as well as the city. Murphy, leader of Tammany, is mainly responsible for the defeat of the Democrats in both city and state. He imagined he was boss not only of New York City, but the State of New York and could do as he pleased.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Last Sunday what is said to have been an "ultimatum" was delivered to Provisional President Huerta of Mexico, to resign his office at once. Secretary Bryan denies that any "ultimatum" was delivered to Huerta.

Indications are that something is going to drop as orders for the movement of troops toward the Mexican border is active. It looks like somebody will have to back down or intervention is at hand.

TRIBUTE TO AN OLD FRIEND.

It was with profound sorrow that we read in the Midland Reporter of last week an account of the death of an old boyhood friend, William Little, who died at Midland Sunday night was a week ago, found dead in bed by his landlady. Billie Little was 67 years old, and had lived in Midland for several years. He served the last two years of the civil war

in the Confederate army. After the war he spent some years in Brown county, then went to Midland, where he has since lived. He was never married.

Billie Little and the editor of THE STAR were born and raised on adjoining farms in Washington county, Texas, about three miles north of where the town of Burton is now located. We went to school together, coon hunted, went fishing and played town ball together. Billie was one of the best boys that ever lived. He was always in a good humor, always smiling, never blustering or profane. He was just a plain, simple, country boy, and every man, woman, child, negro and dog in the neighborhood loved him, and now he is dead!

Billie Little was a few years older than the writer, but we were always chums. He made as good a man as he was a boy, high-toned and honorable. He never possessed much of this world's goods, and he did not need them, because he valued the friendship of his comrades and associates far more than wealth or honor.

Forty three years ago the writer came to Brown county and since that time we only met him once or twice and that many years ago. We remember him, but some how when we think of him we always remember the smile on his face, a smile that was not forced but natural, and an index to the soul of a man that loved his fellow man. For many years we have hoped to visit him at Midland, but circumstances were such that we delayed, and now our boyhood friend is dead—gone to his reward in the higher life beyond the grave. The manner of his death was a fitting end of a placid, splendid, simple life. Without ostentation he lived and death came to him in the same way. Peace to memory of Billie Little, one of the best men we ever knew.

"Green be the turf above thee, Friend of my better days; None knew thee but to love thee; None knew thee but to praise."

TRIP TO PANAMA.

(Continued from last week)

In my last article was given a general historical description of different efforts to build the Panama Canal, bringing it down to the time of the United States government obtaining by treaty and purchase from the Panamanian Government the Canal Zone for \$10,000,000, and an annual payment of \$250,000. In this paper I will treat of the geographical and topographical features of the country embraced in the Canal Zone. The general surface of the country is hilly, but not broken, as the surfaces of the hills are smooth and covered with dense growth of palms and timber, the hills running from 300 to 1500 feet high, but scattered and not in ranges. The Zones' general direction depended on the center line of the Canal, being five miles on each side of said line, and the center line of the Canal followed almost exactly the Panama R. R. When the French undertook the construction of the Canal they bought the Panama R. R. and it was among the assets when they sold to the United States, the line of that R. R. followed the lowest line between the oceans and crossed the Continental divide 360 feet above mean sea level. This Continental divide is nearer the Pacific than the Atlantic ocean. The general direction of the Isthmus at this point is east and west, and the general direction of the Canal is a little east of south, making the Pacific end of the Canal 22 1/2 miles east of the Atlantic end. The Northern slope, or the Atlantic slope of the Isthmus is drained by the Chagres river and its tributaries, and they drain about 1320 square miles of territory. Where the Chagres river crossed the line of the Canal was the Gumboa Dike, which was across the north end of Culebra Cut. The need of this dike was to keep water of Gatun Lake from overflowing the Cut when it was being taken out. The general direction of the Chagres River up to this point is west, but here it turns north to the Atlantic ocean.

In taking out Celebra Cut, which runs south, the fact was developed that at some past Geological age it was the bed of the Chagres River,

which at that time flowed south into the Pacific ocean. In walking through that Cut I picked up a water worn rock. The Panama R. R. having been located south up the new valley and then it to the Pacific ocean, shown the accuracy of the locating engineers, as they must undoubtedly crossed the divide at its lowest point. The French engineers proved the same thing, and the U. S. engineers confirmed the survey and adopted the location of the R.R. as the location of the Canal. This being the case it required a re-location of the R. R., which was done with the intention of carrying it through Culebra Cut on a bench ten feet above the water level, which bench 40 feet wide was left for it. When the immense slides forced them to abandon that plan, and carrying the location around Gold Hill. This relocating and rebuilding of the R. R. cost \$9,000,000. The Panama R. R. was built in the early 50's by Aspinwall, Stephenson and Chauncey. There is a monument to their memory at Colon, the early name of which city was Aspinwall. At the time of its building the Isthmus was in a very unsanitary condition, to such an extent that a man died for every cross-tie on the road, it being 50 miles long and 2640 ties to the mile you can judge of the mortality. The conditions were the same when the French tried the Canal, and Mount Hope (now called Monkey Hill) cemetery shows their fearful loss. The sanitation of the Zone was the first problem to confront Uncle Sam, and to Col. Gorges, of Havana fame, was assigned the solution, he having made the discovery that yellow fever and malaria was caused by the bite of mosquitos, and the Zone was extremely infested by such pests. The problem was to exterminate them and screening all the houses, so effectively has he done it, that the mosquito is now unknown in the Zone. One year was consumed before sanitation was considered safe enough for the commencement of the work, and now the general health of the Zone compares well with any part of the United States. It will not be out of place to consider the methods pursued in accomplishing this end. The general plan was to break up the breeding places by filling up, draining or oiling all swamp places. The largest and worse place was what was known as Black Swamp occupying part of the present site of Gatun Lake, that was eliminated by flooding the swamp with fresh water. Other low places were filled in with dirt, by wasting the discharge from the section dredges in them, other places by draining or oiling.

The Panamanian government retained the cities of Colon and Panama, but the United States has the right to enforce the sanitation of them, and they are kept clean and in a healthy condition. The sanitation being accomplished, they were ready to "make the dirt fly." On May 4, 1904 the real work commenced, and for a year or so it moved slowly. Several eminent engineers and railroad men were put in charge, who one after another resigned for reasons best known to themselves, until at last it was put in charge of "Isthmian Canal Commission" with Col. Geothal as chairman and chief engineer; from that time on the work has been pushed with great energy and success to that extent that the end is now in view and completion assured before the allotted time, Jany, 1st, 1915.

In my next paper I will take up and explain the general plan and construction of the Canal proper, testing of the locks and dams used in transporting the largest ships from ocean to ocean in from nine to twelve hours. W. C. Powell.

We received a letter last week from Fred Lane of San Diego, Calif. Speaking of the frequent mention of good roads in THE STAR he says the people of California believe in good roads. He says San Diego has over a thousand miles of graded roads and still improving them. He sent a number of kodak views along the roads and they sure make us want good roads worse than ever. We intended to publish the letter but got it misplaced.



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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD.

At Baird, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Oct. 21, 1913

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds, Capital stock paid in, Surplus Fund, etc.

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the FARMERS STATE BANK at Putnam, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 21 day of Oct., 1913, published in THE BAIRD STAR, a newspaper published at Baird, State of Texas, on the 31 day of October 1913.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, Loans, real estate, Overdrafts, Real Estate (banking house), Furniture and Fixtures, etc.

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Red Cross Christmas

One cent each and movement to secure hospital and Dispensaries for the care of the sick. Every Seal you buy provide hospitals, dispensing nurses for the and the prevention of

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Table with financial details for the Christmas Seal campaign, including Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, etc.

Advertisement for The First National Bank of Baird. Text: "We Welcome Both Large and Small Depositors." Includes list of Officers and Directors: J. F. Dyer, President; W. S. Hinds, Cashier; Henry James, Vice President; J. W. Turner, Asst. Cashier; W. A. Hinds, Tom Windham.



# Newest and Desirable Merchandise

Fashion's Newest Ideas in Fall Coat Suits,  
Coats and Dresses and Millinery Shown Here



There never was a time when garment styles were more becoming than those shown for Fall and Winter. The new suits and coats are captivating.

The Fashions in Fall Garments are characterized by infinite variety, showing models that are dainty and conservative. We have given much time and thought to the selection of styles that would find favor this season. Materials were never so varied. While soft silks are prominent for all seasons both in plain and brocaded weaves, there are exquisite worsted for out of door wear, and heavier fabrics for winter. Colorings too, have been modified and the brighter shades that generally herald the coming of spring are now subdued to the rich tints of autumn. The American Beauty has given way to terra cotta, which is now a reigning favorite. The well liked Copenhagen has lost none of its popularity, but has gained much in depth and richness. Castor, taupe, cinnamon and gray are the more neutral tints, while wisteria, plum, green brown and navy seem ever to be gaining in popularity.

## Beautiful Millinery.

Our Millinery Department is showing many charming and original models in ladies' and children's hats. These splendid assortments combined with most attractive prices make them deserving of special attention. We have a nice line of the pretty new veiling.

## Blanket Buying Time

The cooler weather is suggestive of heavier bed covering, blankets and comforts. It is about time for laying in the winter supply. Our stock is complete and prices and qualities are right. Every desirable grade of blanket or comfort is here in ample quantities, and in a range of prices to suit any purse

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## Dry Goods

## Millinery

### PERSONAL MENTION

R. J. Harris, of Admiral, was in town Monday.

Mrs. John Hightower, of Atwell, visited Mrs. S. W. Hart this week.

I have a stray yearling, Jersey heifer. Address, Baird, P. O. 44.

Buy your coal from W. G. Bowlus

The ladies of the Methodist Church will serve dinner and supper at the Odd Fellows Hall, Monday Nov. 10.

Geo. B. Scott visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Scott, at San Angelo, this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Haley on November 4th, 1913, a girl.

Miss Alice Yarbrow spent last week in Dallas visiting friends and attending the Fair.

See Bowlus for roof paint, 50c per gallon. 43-44.

Booth Lowery at the school auditorium, Tuesday, Nov. 11th.

Houses for rent. Apply at the Cooke Hardware Store. 47-4t.

Stoves! Stoves! At reduced prices at the new hardware store. E. Cooke. 47-4t.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hutchison returned Tuesday morning from Dallas, where they attended the Fair.

Booth Lowery, the first number of the Lyceum course, at the school auditorium, Tuesday, Nov. 11th.

Mrs. Arthur Johnson and children visited friends in Abilene the first of the week.

Mrs. W. E. Melton returned to her home at Cross Plains, Monday, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gunn.

Mrs. Gordon Phillips, of Big Springs, accompanied by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Phillips, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Outbirth.

### Civic League.

The Civic League will meet at the School House, Tuesday evening, Nov. 11th at 4 o'clock. All members requested to be present.

Mrs. F. S. Bell, Pres.

### Would Make Them Better if They Could.

The makers of Foley Kidney Pills know that they have absolutely the best combination of curative and healing medicines for kidney and bladder ailments and urinary irregularities that it is possible to produce. That is why Foley Kidney Pills are the best medicine for the purpose you can buy. Holmes Drug Co.

Tom Windham, John Windham, Henry Preston and Charley Yost, of Oplin, were in Baird the first of the week to deliver a bunch of calves which Tom Windham sold to L. M. Hadley.

The rain played hob with the road work at Baird and most all over the state.

### TURKEYS GIVEN AWAY.

Beginning Saturday night, Nov. 1 at the Royal Theatre I will give away a Turkey every other night until Thanksgiving. This will be Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights of each week. All tickets for Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights will be kept in a box for drawing the following night thus giving two chances to those who attend two nights in succession. Save your tickets each night.

Mrs. Anna Stallangs, 47-2t. Mgr. Royal Theatre.

### GIN NOTICE.

After this week we will gin Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week. Callahan Co. Gin Co.

Leo Tyler, Mgr. Baird Gin Co., Cal May, Mgr.

Mrs. J. H. Rowley and daughter, Miss Ruth, returned Sunday from a few days visit in El Paso.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following named persons as candidates for office, subject to the Democratic Primary July 1914:

#### For County Clerk:

Homer Shanks of Baird  
W. L. (Lawrence) Bowlus, of Baird.  
T. E. (Tom) Parks, of Baird,  
Chas. Nordyke, of Cottonwood.

#### For Tax Collector:

W. E. Melton, of Cross Plains.  
Joe Y. Fraser, of Baird

#### For County Treasurer:

W. P. (Pit) Ramsey of Cottonwood.

C. W. Conner, of Baird.

#### For Tax Assessor:

W. B. Dodds of Deep Creek  
Geo. A. Johnson, of Clyde.

M. G. (Melvin) Farmer, of Clyde.

Harry N. Ebert, of Baird.

#### Superintendent Public Schools:

S. E. Settle, of Cross Plains

### Pain In Back And Rheumatism.

Torment thousands of people daily Don't be one of these sufferers when for so little cost you can get well rid of the cause. Foley Kidney Pills begin their good work from the very first dose. They exert so direct an action on the kidneys and bladder that the pain and torment of back-ache, rheumatism and kidney trouble is soon dispelled. Holmes Drug Co.

Morgan Stokes is spending a few days on the Bayou this week.

Tom Windham and son, John Windham and Henry Preston, of Oplin, were in Baird the first of the week to deliver a bunch of cattle Tom Windham had sold to Lew Hadley.

### For Children there is Nothing Better.

A cough medicine for children must help their coughs and colds without bad effects on their little stomachs and bowels. Foley's Honey and Tar exactly fills this need. No opiates, no sour stomach, no constipation follows its use. Stuffy colds, wheezy breathing, coughs and croup are all quickly helped. Holmes Drug Co.

The ladies of the Methodist Church will serve dinner and supper at the Odd Fellows Hall, Monday Nov. 10.

### DRUGGISTS ENDORSE DODSON'S LIVER TONE.

It is a Guaranteed Harmless Vegetable Remedy that Regulates the Liver Without Stopping Your Work or Play.

A dose of calomel may knock you completely out for a day—sometimes two or three days. Dodson's Liver Tone relieves attacks of constipation, biliousness and lazy liver headaches, and you stay on your feet.

Holmes Drug Co., sells Dodson's Liver Tone and guarantees it to give perfect satisfaction. If you buy a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and do not find it the safest, most pleasant and successful liver remedy you ever took, this store will give you back the 50 cents you paid for it without a question.

This guarantee that a trustworthy druggist is glad to give on Dodson's Liver Tone is as safe and reliable as the medicine, and that is saying a lot. Holmes Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Laskey and little daughter, Frances, of Fort Worth, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wristen.

Nothing new from the Moran oil fields this week. One of the wells broke loose and oil flowed for several hundred yards before it could be recapped.

Mrs. S. T. Fraser returned Sunday from a visit to the Dallas Fair. She also visited her son and daughter, Wilson and Miss Elizabeth, at Polytechnic College, Fort Worth.

Will Ray and John McClendon have rented the large warehouse across the street from Ray's shop and will use it as a Garage where all kinds of auto repairing and storage of autos will be made. This gives Baird two Garages.

Birmingham, Ala., F. L. Willis, suffered greatly from asthma and bronchitis. He writes: "I got no relief until I took Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It entirely removed those choking sensations, and never failed to produce an easy and comfortable condition of the throat and lungs. Holmes Drug Co."

### HOW ABOUT SANTA CLAUS THIS YEAR?

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# MOLLY McDONALD

## A TALE OF THE FRONTIER



By  
**RANDALL PARRISH**  
Author of "Keith of the Border," "My Lady of Doubt," "My Lady of the South," etc., etc.

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### CHAPTER XXII.

#### A Deepening Mystery.

Startled and bewildered as Hamlin was by this sudden revelation, he at once comprehended the embarrassment of his own position. He could not confess all he knew, certainly not the fact that the girl had met him secretly and had vanished while he was endeavoring to turn aside Mrs. Dupont. He must protect her at all hazards. To gain time, and self-control, he replied with a question:

"Did not Connors drive them down, sir?"

"Yes, the four of them."  
"And Major McDonald knew then that he was ordered East?"

"No, the order came by telegram later. An orderly was sent down about ten o'clock. But see here, Sergeant, I am no Bureau of Information. If you have anything to report, make it brief."

Hamlin glanced at the face of the other. He knew little about him, except that he had the reputation of being a capable officer.

"I will, sir," he responded quickly; "you may never have heard of the affair, but I was with Miss McDonald during a little Indian trouble out on the trail a few months ago."

The officer nodded.  
"I heard about that; Gaskins brought her in."

"Well, ever since she has seemed grateful and friendly. You know how some women are; well, she is that kind. Tonight she came to me, because she didn't seem to know whom else to go to, and told me of some trouble she was having. I realize, Captain Kane, that it may seem a bit strange to you that a young lady like Miss McDonald, an officer's daughter, would turn for help to an enlisted man, but I am telling you only the truth, sir. You see, she got it into her head somehow that I was square, and—and, well, that I cared enough to help her."

"Wait a minute, Sergeant," broke in Kane, kindly, realizing the other's embarrassment, and resting one hand on his sleeve. "You do not need to apologize for Miss McDonald. I know something of what is going on at this post, although, damn me if I've ever got on to the straight facts. You mean that Dupont woman?"

"Yes, she's concerned in the matter, but there are others also."  
"Why couldn't the girl tell her father?"

"That is where the main trouble lies, Captain. Major McDonald seems to be completely under the control of Mrs. Dupont. He is apparently afraid of her for some reason. That is what Miss Molly spoke to me about. We were on the side porch at the hotel talking while the dancers were at supper—it was the only opportunity the girl had to get away—and Mrs. Dupont and her husband came into the parlor—"

"Her husband? Good-Lord, I thought her husband was dead."

"He isn't. He's a tin-horn gambler, known in the saloons as 'Reb,' a big duffer, wearing a black beard."

"All right, go on; I don't know him."

"Well, I stepped into the room to keep the two apart, leaving the girl alone outside. We had a bit of talk before I got the room cleared, and when I went back to the porch, Miss Molly had gone."

"Dropped over the railing to the ground."

"That's what I thought at the time, sir, but what happened to her after

"Nor of what has become of Connors, or your ranch manager?"

She shrugged her shoulders, endeavoring to smile.

"The parties mentioned are of very small interest to me."

"And Major McDonald," he insisted, utterly ignoring the increasing anger of the officer beside her. "Possibly you were aware of his departure?"

"Yes," more deliberately; "he told me of his orders, and bade me goodbye later. So far as Connors is concerned, he was to have the carriage here for us at two o'clock. Is that all, Mr. Sergeant Hamlin?"

"You better make it all," threatened the Captain belligerently, "before I lose my temper at this infernal impertinence."

Hamlin surveyed the two calmly, confident that the woman knew more than she would tell, and utterly indifferent as to the other.

"Very well," he said quietly, "I will learn what I desire elsewhere. I shall find Miss McDonald, and discover what has actually occurred."

"My best wishes, I am sure," and the lady patted the Captain's arm gently. "We are losing this wait."

There was but one course for Hamlin to pursue. He had no trail to follow, only a vague suspicion that these

plotters were in some way concerned in the mysterious disappearance. Thus far, however, they had left behind no clue to their participation. Moreover he was seriously handicapped by ignorance of any motive. Why should they desire to gain possession of the girl? It could not be money, or the hope of ransom. What then? Was it some accident which had involved her in the toils prepared for another? If so, were those unexpected orders for Major McDonald a part of the conspiracy, or had their receipt complicated the affair? The Sergeant was a soldier, not a detective, and could only follow a straight road in his investigation. He must circle widely until he found some trail to follow as patiently as an Indian. There would be tracks left somewhere, if he could only discover them. If this was a hasty occurrence, in any way an accident, something was sure to be left uncovered, some slip reveal the method. He would trace the movements of the father first, and

discover no purpose in the outrage. Convinced that Dupont and his wife were the moving spirits, he yet possessed no satisfactory reason for charging them with the crime, for which there was no apparent object.

Nothing remained to be done but search the town, a blind search in the hope of uncovering some trail. That crime had been committed—either murder or abduction—was evident; the two had not dropped thus suddenly out of sight without cause. Nor did it seem possible they could have been whisked away without leaving some trace behind. The town was accustomed to murder and sudden death; the echo of revolver shots would create no panic, awaken no alarm, and yet the place was small, and there was little likelihood that any deed of violence would pass long unnoticed. With a few words of instruction, and hasty descriptions of both Dupont and Connors, Hamlin sent his men down the straggling street to drag out the occupants of shack and tent, riding himself to the blazing front of the "Foodie Dog."

Late as the hour was, the saloon and the gambling rooms above were all crowded. Hamlin plunged into the mass of men, pressing passage back and forth, his eyes searching the faces, while he eagerly questioned those with

whom he had any acquaintance. Few among these could recall to mind either "Reb" or his boon companion, and even those who did retained no recollection of having seen the two lately. The bartenders asserted that neither man had been there that night, and the dealers above were equally positive. The city marshal, encountered outside, remembered Dupont, and had seen him at the hotel three hours before, but was positive the fellow had not been on the streets since. Connors he did not know, but if the man was Major McDonald's driver, then he was missing all right, for Captain Barrett had to employ a liveryman to drive Mrs. Dupont back to the fort. No, there was no lady with her; he was sure, for he had watched them get into the carriage.

The troopers were no more fortunate in their results, but had succeeded in stirring up greater excitement during their exploration, several irate individuals, roughly aroused from sleep, exhibiting fighting propensities, which had cost one a blackened eye, and the other the loss of a tooth. Both, however, had enjoyed the occasion, and appeared anxious for more. Having exhausted the possibilities of the town, the soldiers procured lanterns, and, leaving the horses behind, began exploring the prairie. In this labor they were assisted by the marshal, and a few aroused citizens hastily impressed into a posse. The search was a thorough one, but the ground nearby was so out by hoofs and wheels as to yield no definite results. Hamlin, obsessed with the belief that whatever had occurred had been engineered by Dupont, and recalling the fact that the man was once a ranchman somewhere to the southward, jumped to the conclusion that the fellow would naturally head in that direction, seeking familiar country in which to hide. With the two troopers he pushed on toward the river, choosing the upper ford as being the most likely choice of the fugitives. The trampled mud of the north bank exhibited fresh tracks, but none he could positively identify. However, a party on horseback had crossed within a few hours, and, without hesitation, he waded out into the stream.

The gray of dawn was in the sky as the three troopers, soaked to the waist, crept up the south bank and studied the trail. Behind them the yellow lanterns still bobbed about between the river and town, but there was already sufficient light to make visible the signs underfoot. Horsemen had climbed the bank, the hoof marks yet damp where water had drained from dripping fetlocks, and had instantly broken into a lope. A moment's glance proved this to Hamlin as he crept back and forth, scrutinizing each hoof mark intently.

"Five in the party," he said soberly. "Three mustangs and two American horses, cavalry shed. About three hours ahead of us." He straightened up, his glance peering into the gray mists. "I reckon it's likely our outfit, but we'll never catch them on foot. They'll be behind the sand-dunes before this. Before we go back, boys, we'll see if they left the trail where it turns west."

The three ran forward, paying little heed until they reached the edge of the ravine. Here the beaten trail swerved sharply to the right. Fifty feet beyond, the marks of horses' hoofs appeared on the sloping bank, Hamlin sprang down to where the marks disappeared around the edge of a large boulder. His hand on the stone, he stopped suddenly with quick indrawing of breath, staring down at a motionless figure lying almost at his feet. The man, roughly dressed, lay on his face, a bullet wound showing above one ear, the back of his neck caked with blood. The Sergeant, mastering his first sense of horror, turned him over and gazed upon the ghastly face of Major McDonald.

"My God, they've murdered him here!" he exclaimed. "Shot him down from behind. Look, men. No; stand back, and don't muss up the tracks. There are foot-prints here—Indians! by heaven! Three of them Indians!"

"Some plainmen wear moccasins," "They don't walk that way—toes in; and see this hair in McDonald's fingers—that's Indian, sure. Here is where a horse fell, and slid down the bank. Isn't that a bit of broken feather caught in the bush, Carroll? Bring it over here."

The three bent over the object.  
"Well, what do you say? You men

are both plainmen.

"Cheyenne," returned Carroll promptly. "But what the hell are they doing here?"

Hamlin shook his head.  
"It will require more than guessing to determine that," he said sternly. "And there is only one way to find out. That fellow was a Cheyenne all right, and there were three of them and two whites in the party—see here; the prints of five horses ridden, and one animal led. That will be the one McDonald had. They went straight up the opposite bank of the ravine. If they leave a trail like that we can ride after them full speed."

Carroll had been bending over the dead officer a moment now glanced up.  
"There's sand just below, Sergeant," he said. "That's why they are so darn reckless here."

"Of course; they'll hide in the dunes, and the sooner we're after them the better. Wade, you remain with the body; Carroll and I will return to the fort and report. We'll have to have more men—Wasson if I can get him—and equipment for a hard ride. Come on, Jack."

They waded the river, and ran through the town, shouting their discovery to the marshal and his posse as they passed. Twenty minutes later Hamlin stood before the Colonel, hastily telling the story. The latter listened intently, gripping the arms of his chair.

"Shot from behind, hey?" he ejaculated, "and his clothing stolen. Looks like a carefully planned affair, Sergeant; sending that fellow through to Ripley was expected to throw us off the track. That's why they were so careless covering their trail; expected to have several days' start. It is my notion they never intended to kill him; had a row of some kind, or else Mac tried to get away. Any trace of the girl?"

"No; but she must have been there."  
"So I think; got mixed up in the affair some way, and they have been compelled to carry her off to save themselves. Do you know why they were after Mac?"

"No, sir."  
"Well, I do; he carried thirty thousand dollars."

"What?"  
"He was acting paymaster. The money came in from Wallace last evening, and he was ordered to take it to Ripley at once."

Hamlin drew in his breath quickly in surprise.  
"Who knew about that, sir?"

"No one but the Adjutant, and Major McDonald—not even the orderly."  
The eyes of officer and soldier met. "Do you suppose he could have told her?" the former asked in sudden suspicion.

"That would be my theory, sir. But it is useless to speculate. We have no proof, no means of forcing her to confess. The only thing for us to do is to trail those fugitives. I need another man—a scout—Wasson, if he can be spared—and rations for three days."

The Colonel hesitated an instant, and then rose, placing a hand on Hamlin's arm.

"I'll do it for Miss McDonald, but not for the money," he said slowly. "I expect orders every hour for your troop, and Wasson is detailed for special service. But damn it, I'll take the responsibility—go on, and run those devils down."

Hamlin turned to the door; then wheeled about.  
"You know this man Dupont, Colonel?"

"Only by sight."  
"Any idea where he used to run cattle?"

"Wait a minute until I think. I heard McDonald telling about him one night at the club, something Mrs. Dupont had let slip, but I didn't pay much attention at the time. Seems to me, though, it was down on the Canadian. No, I have it now—Buffalo Creek; runs into the Canadian. Know such a stream?"

"I've heard of it; in west of the North Fork somewhere."  
"You think it was Dupont, then?"

"I haven't a doubt that he is in the affair, and that the outfit is headed for that section. I don't know, sir, where those Indians came from, or how they happened to be up here, but I believe they belong to Black Kettle's band of Cheyennes. His bunch is down below the Canadian, is it not, sir?"

"Yes."  
"Dupont must be friendly with them, and this coup has been planned for some time. Last night was the chance they have been waiting for. The only mistake in their plans has been the early discovery because of Miss Molly's disappearance. They have gone away careless, expecting two or three days' start, and they will only have a few hours. We'll run them down, with good luck, before they cross the Cimarron. You have no further instructions, sir?"

"No, nothing, Sergeant. You're an old hand, and know your business, and there is no better scout on the plains than Sam Wasson. Good-bye, and good luck."

**CHAPTER XXIV.**  
**In Pursuit.**

The four men, heavily armed, and equipped for winter service, rode up the bank of the ravine to the irregularity of plain beyond. The trail, leading directly south into the solitudes, was easily followed, and Wasson, slightly in advance of the others, made no attempt to check his horse, content to lean forward, his keen eyes marking every sign. Scarcely a word was exchanged, since Hamlin had explained what had occurred as they crossed the river. Hardly less interested than the Sergeant, the sober-faced scout con-

centrated every energy on the pursuit, both men realizing the necessity of haste. Not only would the trail be difficult after they attained the sand belt, but, if snow fell, would be utterly blotted out. And the dull, murky sky

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The Man Roughly Dressed Lay on His Face.

threatened snow, the sharp wind having already veered to the northwest. All about stretched a dull dead picture of desolation, a dun-colored plain, unrelieved by vegetation, matching the skies above, extending in every direction through weary leagues of dismal loneliness. The searching eye caught no relief from desolate sameness, drear monotony. Nowhere was there movement, or any semblance of life. Behind, the land was broken by ravines, but in every other direction it stretched level to the horizon, except that far off southward arose irregular ridges of sand, barren, ugly blotches, colorless, and forever changing formation under the beating of a ceaseless wind. It was desert, across which not even a snake crawled, and no wing of migrating bird beat the leaden sky above.

The marks of their horse's hoofs cutting sharply into the soil, told accurately the fugitives' rapid progress, and the pursuers swept forward with caution, anxious to spare their mounts and to keep out of vision themselves until nightfall. Their success depended largely on surprise, and the confidence of those ahead that they were unpursued. Wasson expressed the situation exactly, as the four halted a moment at an unexpectedly discovered water-hole.

"I'd think this yere plain trail was some Injun trick, boys, if I didn't know the reason for it. 'T ain't Injun nature, an' he's cocksure that nobody's chasin' him yet. He's figurin' on two or three days' get-away, and so don't care a tinker's dam 'bout these yere marks. Once in the sand, an' that won't be no trail anyhow. It's some kintry out thar, an' it would be like huntin' a needle in a haystack to try an' find them fellars after ter-night. This is my idea—we'll just mosey along slow, savin' the hosses an keepin' back out o' sight till dark. Them fellars ain't many hours ahead, an' are likely ter camp first part of their night anyhow. They'll feel safe onct hid in their sand-hills, an' if they don't git no sight of us, most likely they won't even post no guard. That's when we want ter dig in the spurs. Ain't that about the right program, Sergeant?"

Burning with impatience as Hamlin was, fearful that every additional moment of delay might increase the girl's danger, he was yet soldier and plainsman enough to realize the wisdom of the old scout. There were at least four men in the party pursued, two of them Indian warriors, the two whites desperate characters. Without doubt they would put up a fierce fight, or, if warned in time, could easily scatter and disappear.



Hamlin placed a pocket compass on his saddle-pommel. The trail was less distinct as they traversed a wide streak of alkali, but what few signs remained convinced Wasson that the fugitives were still together, and riding southward. Under concealment of the fog his previous caution relaxed, and he led the way at a steady trot, only occasionally drawing rein to make certain there was no division of the party ahead. The alkali powdered them from head to foot, clinging to the horses' hides, reddening and blinding the eyes, poisoning the lips dry and parched with thirst. The two troopers swore grimly, but the sergeant and scout rode in silence, bent low over their pommels, eyes strained into the mist ahead. It was not yet dark when they rode in between the first sand-dunes, and Wasson, pulling his horse up short, checked the others with up-lifted hand.

"That'll be a camp here soon," he said, swinging down from the saddle, and studying the ground. "The wind has 'bout blotted it all out, but you kin see yere 'ack o' 'is pize whar the... an' they was walkin' their horses. Gittin' pretty tired, I reckon. We might as well stop yere too, Sergeant, an' eat some cold grub. You two men spread her out, an' rub down the horses, while Hamlin an' I poke about a bit. Better find out all we kin, 'Brick,' fore it gits dark."

He started forward on the faint trail, his rifle in the hollow of his arm, and the sergeant ranged up beside him. The sand was to their ankles, and of the ridge summit the wind swirled the sharp grit into their faces. "What's comin', Sam; a storm?" "Snow," answered the scout shortly, "a blizzard of it, or I lose my guess. 'Fore midnight yer won't be able to see yer hand afore yer face. I've been out yere in them things afore, an' they're sure hell. If we don't git sight o' the outfit mighty soon, 't ain't likely we ever will. I've been expectin' that wind to shift nor'east all day—then we'll get it." He got down on his knees, endeavoring to decipher some faint marks on the sand. "Two of 'em mounted yere, an' an Injun a white big feller by his hoof prints—an' y' 'ont no leadin' their horses. Goin' camp, I reckon—sure, here's at now. Well, I'll be damne

Both stood staring—under protection of the sand ridge was a little blackened place where some mesquite chips had been buried, and all about it freshly trampled sand, and slight



"That's Nothin' Goin' to Happen to Her While This Bunch Is on the Move."

Impressions where men had outstretched themselves. Almost at Wasson's feet fluttered a pink ribbon, and beyond the fire circle lay the body of a man, face up to the sky. It was Connors, a ghastly bullet hole between his eyes, one cheek caked black with blood. The sergeant sprang across, and bent over the motionless form. "Pockets turned inside out," he said, glancing back. "The poor devil!" "Had quite a row here," returned the scout. "That stain over that is blood, an' it never come from him, fer he died whar he fell. Most likely he shot fust, or used a knife. The girl's with 'em anyhow; I reckon this yere was her ribbon; that footprint is sure."

He stooped up the scattered ashes, and they passed over and looked at the dead man. "Whar do yer think, Sergeant?" "They stopped here to eat, maybe five hours ago," pushing the ashes about with his toe. "The fire has been out that long. Then they got into a quarrel—Connors and Dupont—for he was shot with a Colt '45; no Inidan ever did that. Then they struck out again with two led horses. I should say they were three or four hours ahead, traveling slow."

"Good enough," and Wasson patted his arm. "You're a plainsman all right, 'Brick.' You kin sure read signs. They's just 'bout the whole story, as I make it. 'Nuthin' fer us to do but snatch a bite an' go on. Our horses 're fresher'n theirs. No sense our stoppin' to bury Connors; he ain't worth it, an' the birds'll take care o' 'm. The outfit was still a headin' south—see!"

There could be no doubt of this, as the shelter of the sand ridge had preserved a plain trail, although a few yards beyond, the sweeping wind had already almost obliterated every sign of passage. The four men ate heartily of their cold provender, discussing the situation in a few brief sentences. Wasson argued that Dupont was heading for some Indian winter encampment, thinking to shift responsibility for the crime upon the savages, thus permitting him to return once more to civilization, but he clung to his original theory, pointing out upon Dupont's old trail that a purpose of robbery of

McDonaid was in view. An axe, however, were convinced that the fugitives were seeking the wild bluffs of the Canadian river for concealment.

It was not yet dark when they again picked up the trail, rode around the dead body of Connors, and pushed forward into the maze of sand. For an hour the advance was without incident, the scout in the lead not even dismounting, his keen eyes picking up the faint "sign" unerringly. Then darkness shut down, the lowering bank of clouds completely blotting the stars, although the white glisten of the sand under foot yielded a slight guidance. Up to this time there had been no deviation in direction, and now when the trail could be no longer distinguished, the little party decided on riding straight southward until they struck the Cimarron. An hour or two later the moon arose, hardly visible and yet brightening the cloud canopy, so that the riders could see each other and proceed more rapidly. Suddenly Wasson lifted his hand, and turned his face up to the sky.

"Snow," he announced soberly. "Thought I felt it afore, and the wind's changed."

Hamlin turned in the saddle, feeling already the sharp sting of snow pellets on his face. Before he could even answer the air was full of whiteness, a fierce gust of wind hurling the flying particles against them. In another instant they were in the very heart of the storm, almost hurled forward by the force of the wind, and blinded by the icy deluge. The pelting of the hail startled the horses, and in spite of every effort of the riders, they drifted to the right, tails to the storm. The swift change was magical. The sharp particles of icy snow seemed to swirl upon them from every direction, sucking their very breath, bewildering them, robbing them of all sense of direction. Within two minutes the men found it impossible to penetrate the wintry shroud except for a few feet ahead of them.

The sergeant knew what it meant, for he had had experience of these plains storms before.

"Halt!" he cried, his voice barely audible in the blast. "Close up, men; come here to me—lively now! That you, Wade? Wasson; oh, all right, Sam. Here, pass that lariat back; now get a grip on it, every one of you, and hold to it for your lives. Let me take the lead, Sam; we'll have to run by compass. Now, then, are you ready?"

The lariat rope, tied to Hamlin's pommel, straightened out and was grasped desperately by the gloved hands of the men behind. The sergeant, shading his eyes, half smothered in the blast, could see merely ill-defined shadows.

"All caught?" "The answers were inaudible. "For the Lord's sake, speak up; answer now—Wasson."

"Here." "Wade." "Here." "Carroll." "Here."

"Good; now come on after me." He drove his horse forward, head bent low over the compass, one arm flung up across his mouth to prevent inhaling the icy air. He felt the tug of the line; heard the labored breathing of the next horse behind, but saw nothing except that wall of swirling snow pellets hurled against him by a pitiless wind, fairly lacerating the flesh. It was freezing cold; already he felt numb, exhausted, heavy-eyed. He felt numb, exhausted, heavy-eyed. The air seemed to penetrate his clothing, and prick the skin as with a thousand needles. The thought came that if he remained in the saddle he would freeze stiff. Again he turned, and sent the voice of command down the struggling line:

"Dismount; wind the rope around your pommels. Sam. How far is it to the Cimarron?"

"More'n twenty miles." "All right! We've got to make it, boys," forcing a note of cheerfulness into his voice. "Hang on to the bit even if you drop. I may drift to the west, but that won't lose us much. Come on, now."

"Hamlin, let me break trail." "We'll take it turn about, Sam. It'll be worse in an hour than it is now. All ready, boys."

Blinded by the sleet, staggering to the fierce pummeling of the wind, yet clinging desperately to his horse's bit, the sergeant struggled forward in the swirl of the storm.

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**CHAS. GATES DIES SUDDENLY**

Son of Man Who Made Heavy Investments in Texas Coast Country.

Cody, Wyo.—Charles G. Gates, son of the late John W. Gates, died in his private car here Tuesday of a stroke of apoplexy. Mr. Gates came west about a month ago on the advice of physicians who accompanied him. There was some improvement after his arrival here and a hunting trip was planned. It was successful from the sportsman viewpoint, but the exertion seemed to leave Mr. Gates weaker.

On his return from his hunting trip Mr. Gates spent more than \$7,000 buying fur coats for friends. He gave his chauffeur \$1,000 and presented his guide on the trip with \$10,000 in currency.

A few hours before his death Mr. Gates said he had just made a big turn on the Chicago Board of Trade and he expected to spend \$70,000 before leaving Cody.

Mr. Gates died while his special car was being coupled to a train. The car was detached and the body taken to a hotel.

**Had South Texas Investments.**

Port Arthur, Texas.—Charles G. Gates, who died in Wyoming Tuesday, was the son of John W. Gates, who invested heavily in oil and other properties here, and was conspicuous in commercial circles.

**GOOD OIL STRIKE NEAR MORAN.**

Production is Estimated at 500 Barrels Per Day.

Moran, Texas.—An oil well with an estimated production of 500 barrels per day was brought in on the farm of J. E. Wild, west of Moran. The well was No 1 of the Producers' Oil Company.

The oil gushed over the top of the derrick. As soon as the drille touched sand, which was found at a depth of 2,000 feet, gas and oil made their appearance, and in a few minutes the oil rose to the top of the well. Every pressure. As the drill penetrated further into the sand the oil gushed upward in a steady stream.

Drilling was stopped and the gusher shut in with little difficulty. The thickness of the producing sand has not been definitely determined, but it is considered very good, and so far as it has been drilled, is free from water. The quality of the oil is high grade.

**Revolutionists Seek to Recover Money**

Del Rio, Texas.—The case in which constitutionalists seek to recover \$5,000,000 in currency of their provisional government, printed in the United States and recently seized at Eagle Pass, was called here Tuesday.

**Carranista Currency Decision.**

Washington.—The department of justice received an inquiry from United States Attorney Fayette Camp of San Antonio as to whether the government shall take an appeal from the decision of Federal Judge Maxey in the matter of the seizure of \$200,000 worth of paper money printed for the constitutionalists in Northern Mexico. Judge Maxey has ordered the money turned over to the constitutionalists. Senator Sheppard urged Attorney General McReynolds to accept Judge Maxey's ruling.

**Cause of Fatal Aerial Explosion.**

Berlin.—The explosion of the dirigible Zeppelin III, on Oct. 17, which cost the lives of 28 men, is attributed in the official report to a partial vacuum formed in the center gondola behind a new type of wind shield which sucked the gas escaping from beneath the aluminum structure into the gondola, where it was exploded by a spark from the motor. The shield is not to be used in the future.

**Freak Law is Passed.**

Nashville, Tenn.—An error of engineering that was not discovered by either the speaker of the house, speaker of the senate of the governor has placed a law upon the statute book of Tennessee prohibiting the owners of live stock in Lawrence county from running at large. The law was intended to apply to live stock and not to their owners.

**Eggs Seized by Officials at Dallas.**

Dallas, Texas.—Acting upon orders from United States District Judge Meek 303 cases of eggs were seized and will be held pending a hearing in the matter before the United States district court. It is alleged in the complaint that the eggs, out of a shipment from Kansas City to Dallas, were intended for use as food and that they are unfit for such use. The finding of eggs was a part of the pure food work done in Dallas by United States Inspector Gray, who has brought about several seizures of food stuffs declared to be unfit for use as food.

**Two Killed, 1 Hurt in Wreck.**

Amarillo, Texas.—E. S. Hawley, engineer, and O. H. McCormick, fireman, are dead, and W. J. Ryan, head brakeman, is fatally injured as the result of a wreck on the Fort Worth and Denver near Giles, south of Amarillo, Wednesday. The train was a fast freight, the entire equipment overturning and tumbling down an embankment when the engine struck a cow. Hawley was more than 60 years old and said to be the oldest engineer on the road. No hopes are entertained for Ryan's recovery.

**A \$10,000,000 STEEL PLANT**

Announced Construction Will Start in 60 Days at Texas City.

Galveston, Texas.—A \$10,000,000 steel establishment on Galveston harbor, at Texas City, employing 7,500 men and comprising a steel plant, rolling mills, smelters, coking plant and yards is an assured fact. Work on the new industrial plant will start within 60 days. It was officially announced by H. B. Moore of Texas City, vice president and general manager of the Texas City Company.

The Southwestern Steel Development Company, with headquarters in Houston, and the bond house of Peabody, Houghtaling & Co. of Chicago are the interests that have developed the new plant, forming for this special purpose the Southwestern Steel corporation, with a capital of \$30,000,000. Of this capitalization, \$10,000,000 has already been subscribed, it is said.

**GOVERNOR COLQUITT RETURNS.**

Reports Having Had Interesting Trip to Panama, Costa Rica and Cuba.

Austin, Texas.—Gov. Colquitt, after a month's absence from the capitol, returned Tuesday. While away he visited Panama and the great canal, Cuba and Costa Rica. He expects to go to Rusk within the next few days to consult with the manager of the state railroad relative to the buying of new equipment and making physical improvements.

Gov. Colquitt reports having had a magnificent trip and was wonderfully impressed with what he saw while gone. His journey was most pleasant and uneventful, except that he sustained a badly sprained ankle in Havana.

**MANY INDICTED IN E. ST. LOUIS.**

Charges Brought Against 23 Former City Officials of That Place.

St. Louis, Mo.—The indictment of 23 former officials of East St. Louis, Ill., on charges growing out of an investigation of alleged municipal irregularities was characterized by State's Attorney Webb as the forerunner of other indictments to be returned by the grand jury.

Those under indictment include a former mayor, a former city treasurer, two controllers, two former heads of city departments, twelve former aldermen and the present chief of detectives. All these were a part of the administration of Charles S. Lambert, who retired from the mayoralty last spring, being succeeded by Mayor Chamberlain, who was elected on a reform platform.

**Rescued Miners Recover.**

Rockdale, Texas.—The seven miners rescued Tuesday from the Vogel mine, where they were imprisoned by a cave-in last Thursday, are reported to be recuperating rapidly. Rescue work has been started at another point with the hope that George Lopez also may be alive.

**Legislator Enters Race for Governor.**

Victoria, Texas.—Leopold Morris, member of the legislature and editor of the Victoria Advocate, has announced his candidacy for governor of Texas. Mr. Morris is a native of Nueces county and son of the late E. Morris of Corpus Christi. He is 30 years old.

**Mills Candidate for Governorship.**

Corsicana, Texas.—Charles H. Mills, representative of Hall and Navarro counties in the legislature, has announced his candidacy for governor. He does "not believe in state-wide prohibition" and also is opposed to making that the dominant issue in the campaign.

**Five Injured When Two Trains Meet.**

Fort Worth, Texas.—Five trainmen, one of whom may die, were injured when two Rock Island freight trains collided head-on at Hicks station, 13 miles north of this city. Engineer W. A. Lewis of extra No. 513, the train which was facing north on a switch at Hicks station, was caught beneath his engine and badly scalded. His condition is said to be serious. The wreck was caused by a switch having been left open, according to the trainmen and officials of the road.

**Heavy Rain in Galveston.**

Galveston, Texas.—Galveston was visited by a heavy rain Wednesday, 12.05 inches falling in 12 hours. The downtown streets were knee deep in water. Street car service was blocked for the day.

**Won't Discuss Steel Plant.**

Chicago, Ill.—Members of the firm of Peabody, Houghtaling & Co. refused to discuss a \$10,000,000 steel plant at Texas City, Texas. It had been reported that this corporation was financing the plant.

**Body of George Lopez Found.**

Rockdale, Texas.—The body of Geo. Lopez, one of the coal miners entombed here a week ago, was found in the mine when the rescue party entered through the main shaft. The body was on top of a pit car. Life had evidently been extinct for several days. Finding of the body of Lopez accounts for the entire party of eight men caught in the mine Thursday of last week by a cave-in. The other seven were rescued above Tuesday and are now on the road to recovery.



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**Two Die of Extreme Old Age in Texas**

Austin, Texas.—The death of a negro woman at the extreme old age of 116 years in Williamson county is reported in the September report of R. P. Babcock, state registrar of vital statistics. A white woman, aged 111 years, died in Bexar county.

**Colorado Governor Orders out Troops.**

Denver, Colo. (Bulletin).—At 1:20 Tuesday morning Gov. Ammons terminated a series of conferences with the operators and strike leaders by summarily ordering the State Militia to proceed to the Southern Colorado coal fields and undertake a general disarmament of mine guards and strikers.

**French Minister Asks Aid.**

City of Mexico.—The French minister has appealed to the American charge, Nelson O'Shaughnessy, for aid for the French colony at Santa Ignacio, state of Sinaloa. The place is said to have been taken by revolutionists and the French residents are in danger. As no French warship is available, the minister has asked that an American warship be sent.

**Thaw Wins Another Pint in His Case**

Rochester, N. H.—Gov. Felker, after hearing both sides, Tuesday granted the request of Harry K. Thaw for a further continuance in the extradition proceedings, setting Nov. 4 as the final date on which his attorneys may file a supplementary brief bearing on the conspiracy indictment returned against their client by the New York county grand jury. A continuance of two weeks had been requested. William Travers Jerome, who opposed the delay, will be allowed two days to answer the new brief.

**Three Children Die When Homes Burn**

Cleburne, Texas.—Early Monday morning the two children, a son and daughter, of Jesse Eaton, a farmer living near here, burned to death in the house while the parents were away attending to some work. The children were dead when found. One was 4, the other 2 years old.

**One Fatality in Commerce.**

Commerce, Texas.—Fire destroyed the home of Will Kelly at Fairlie Kelly's 11-year-old son burned to death. The property loss was about 1,500.

**To Probate Busch Will.**

St. Louis, Mo.—The will of Adolphus Busch, the millionaire brewer, was probated in St. Louis and will dispose of holding aggregating \$50,000. The following is an estimate of Mr. Busch's holdings: In breweries \$13,000,000, railways \$5,000,000, St. Louis realty \$9,000,000, Texas realty \$7,000,000, Chicago realty \$5,000,000, Pasadena, Cal., realty \$1,000,000; realty in Cooperstown, N. Y., \$1,000,000; Caddo oil fields \$1,000,000, local bank stock \$754,000, personal property \$400,000, other interests about \$5,000,000.

**Lisase Causes Postponement.**

Boston, Mass.—Smallpox in Sydney, Australia, has caused the indefinite postponement of the World's Christian Endeavor convention which was to have been held in that city early in March, 1914.

**Condition of U. S. Treasury.**

Washington.—The condition of the United States treasury at the beginning of business Nov. 1 was: Net balance in general fund, \$124,023,503. The deficit this year is \$5,757,627, against a deficit of \$1,847,606 last year, exclusive on Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

**300 Miles of Fires in Celebration.**

Omaha, Neb.—Three hundred miles of bonfires, distributed along the route from Omaha to North Platte, Neb., were burning Friday night to celebrate the dedication of the new Lincoln highway.

**Nicaraguan Plot Frustrated.**

San Juan Del Sur.—A revolutionary plot, based on the assassination of the president of Nicaragua, Adolfo Diaz, and prominent cabinet ministers, was discovered and frustrated at Managua.

**Rescued in Mid-Ocean.**

Hamburg, Germany.—Thirty two of the 35 men in the crew of the French bark Patrie were rescued in mid-ocean by the Hamburg-American liner Kron Princessin Cecelle. The liner found the Patrie burning and disabled in mid-Atlantic, according to wireless dispatches. The German captain launched boats and took off the crew. Three of the French sailors had been washed overboard and drowned just before the arrival of the liner.



**RED CROSS SEAL SALE OPENS**

Miss Eliza Gilliland, Chairman of the local Red Cross Christmas Seal Campaign Committee yesterday received the first consignment of Red Cross Christmas Seals from Mrs. O. B. Colquitt, General Chairman of the Red Cross Christmas Seal Campaign Committee of Texas, and President of the Texas Anti-tuberculosis Association.

The Christmas Seals are sold throughout the United State for the benefit of public health and anti-tuberculosis work. The price of the Seals are one cent each.

This year's campaign will be the third state-wide campaign for the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals. In the first campaign, over \$13,000 was raised, and last year the amount exceeded \$15,000. It is hoped to raise a total of \$25,000 this year.

With the funds secured from the sale of Seals, the Walter Colquitt Memorial Children's Hospital for children afflicted with bone tuberculosis has been built and opened at Galveston. This hospital is meeting an urgent need in ministering to the little children crippled by tuberculosis. The Texas Anti-tuberculosis Association has also carried on a campaign of public health educational work and agitation for hospital care for the sick and afflicted. As a direct result of the Association's efforts along this line, the recent session of the Legislature enacted the McGregor-Colquitt county hospital and dispensary law. Under this law, any county may establish a general hospital for the care of any persons suffering from any disease or injury, and the hospital is to be open to both pay and charity patients. In addition, free dispensaries may be established and visiting nurses employed. Special schools for tuberculosis children may also be established. Some counties have already taken action under this law.

The Association also succeeded in securing an appropriation of \$10,000 to the State Health Department for a public health educational exhibit to be sent throughout the State in a railway car or cars. Lectures illustrated with stereopticon and moving pictures will be given in every city and town on a railroad line. Literature on public health subjects will be distributed. In connection with this work the establishment of county hospitals will be advocated. The appropriation will not be available until September 1, 1914; but if the proceeds of this year's sale of Christmas Seals will permit, the work will be started early in 1914 and turned over to the State Health Department on September 1st, next year. It was originally planned to begin this work in 1913, but the result of the sale of the Seals in 1912 did not permit the Anti-tuberculosis Association to do so. The Texas Anti-tuberculosis Association interested Governor Colquitt in the problem of indigent consumptive stranger in the Southwest, and the Governor called the Southwestern Conference on Tuberculosis to meet in Waco to consider the problem. The Conference declared in favor of Federal hospitals for consumptive strangers in the Southwest, and a bill providing for the establishment of such institutions will be presented to Congress at the regular session. The Association, in conjunction with the State Conference of Charities and Corrections, also presented to the Governor a plan for a Social Welfare Conference to be held during the legislative session. The Conference was called by the Governor and was largely attended. As a direct result of the Conference, a number of measures of importance were enacted by the Legislature. Among these may be mention the juvenile court law, the bill for State industrial school for delinquent girls, the sanitary school building law, the family desertion and non-support law, the married women's property rights bill, the law restricting the hours of labor of women, the suspended sentence law, and the indeterminate sentence law.

The proceeds of this year's sale of Seals will be devoted to the maintaining of a number of free patients at the Children's Hospital. Pay and part-pay patients will also be re-

ceived. A part of the proceeds will be devoted to the traveling exhibit work and to the general work of the Association.

The interest in the Children's Hospital at Galveston and the county hospital movement is increasing, and this year's campaign promises to be to be the most successful since the beginning of the movement. Local members of the Anti-tuberculosis Association are planning to double the \$25,296.45 brought in by the Seals last year.

The Seals are sold to business houses, who in turn sell them to the public. Seals are to be placed on the back of all mail matter, also on checks, bills and statements, on invitations to social functions, on hotel menu cards, on children's school books; and they are used in many other ways as a reminder of the Christmas spirit of helping one another.

The following ladies of Baird have been named by Mrs. O. B. Colquitt, General Chairman of the Red Cross Christmas Seal Campaign Committee as members of the local committee, and Christmas Seals may be secured from any of the following named ladies:

- Mrs. H. Schwartz
- Mrs. G. M. Hall
- Mrs. Homer Driskill
- Miss Myrtle Boydston
- Miss Eliza Gilliland

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE.**

Whereas, F. M. Dunlap and wife, M. M. Dunlap, by their Deed of Trust in writing, dated the 1st day of November, A. D. 1904 and of record in the Deed of Trust Records of Callahan County, Texas, in Book 7, pages 40 et seq., did convey the real estate hereinafter described to Horace H. Cobb as Trustee, for the purpose of securing the W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Company, a corporation of Tarrant County, Texas, or its assigns, in the payment of a certain Bond of even date with said Deed of Trust, for the sum of \$500, due November 1, 1909, together with interest thereon according to certain coupons thereto attached, and certain interest notes, all more particularly described in said Deed of Trust.

And, whereas, on November 1, 1909, there was due on said Bond \$500, with one interest coupon and one interest note amounting in all to \$550, the maturity of which said sum was, on March 28, 1910, by a written agreement with J. W. Little, the then owner of the of the herein-after described land, extended to November 1914, with 10 per cent interest per annum, as evidenced by notes and coupons of even date with said agreement, and due November 1, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, respectfully.

And, whereas, said trust deed provides that in case any interest on said Bond shall remain unpaid for ten days after it is due, then the holder may declare the entire sum due.

And, whereas, default has been made in the payment of the interest due November 1, 1912, and 1913, on the debt as extended, as evidenced by extension agreement and interest coupons and interest notes, and the W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co., the legal owner and holder of said bond, interest coupons and notes, has elected to declare and has declared said principal debt due and payable, and default has been made in payment thereof, whereby the power of sale given in said Deed of Trust has become operative.

And Whereas, said Deed of Trust provides for the appointment of a Substitute Trustee, in case the said Trustee refuses to act.

And, whereas, The W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Company, the owner of said past due indebtedness has notified me of said default, and that said Trustee refuses to act, and has appointed me Substitute Trustee, and requested me to advertise and sell said real estate in the manner provided in said Deed of Trust, for the purpose of paying the said indebtedness (which at the date of this notice amounts to the sum of \$665.50) together with the cost of this foreclosure.

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L. L. Blackburn,  
Substitute Trustee.

**METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

Sunday, Nov. 9, will be the last Sunday of this Conference year and we wish to make our annual report of the years work, and we are very anxious for all the church membership especially to be present. If you are interested in the achievements of your church and are anxious to see her succeed, be present Sunday morning and help to make it a success. Yours for a live church and a good report.

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**JURY LIST.**

Grand Jury, Nov. 10th.

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W. M. Tatum	R. L. Jackson
J. A. Moore	Will Townsend
W. E. McCollum	R. P. Stephenson
W. W. Lincecum	J. H. Burrow
Dick Young	W. L. Miller
Petit Jurors, First Week Nov. 10th	
J. L. Reynolds	R. C. Vaught
I. J. Loper	W. P. Ramsey
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W. L. Cutbirth	W. J. Hornsby
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**EULA LOCALS.**

Oct. 26th—I guess it is time we are trying to write a few happenings in and around Eula.

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There is lots of cotton yet to be picked. Farmers are making more

than they thought they would.

There has been quite a good deal of wheat sown for winter pasture. Fall oats are generally the best when they don't get killed by the winter freezes.

Dan Clark, of Dudley, was in Eula Saturday on business.

Misses Delia Loper and Mattie Gibson are visiting in Abilene this week.

Miss Annie Bauman is visiting her cousin, Fritz Gardner.

Mrs. B. S. Adams is visiting in Abilene this week.

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"Patric."

## HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

**After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.**

Catron, Ky.—I: an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

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