

# THE BENJAMIN POST

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## SPLINTERS

That omnipotent malady, more prevalent in school rooms and editorial offices than in any other place, at this time of the year, and more commonly known as spring fever has ensnared ye scribe in its tenacious clutches and forsooth, the denizens of the stream and brook call so insistently that we are sorely tried to throw our well frayed quill in the waste basket where the rest of this rubbish rightly belongs, and afishing go.

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There were two cows on the special train that the Santa Fe ran thru here last week, both four gallon cows but one would show a profit and the other would not. They had a little game to see which of the visitors could tell the good cow from the bad one. We picked the good cow alright because she had a kind look on her face. The other looked too much like a golddiger.

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Dr. Brinkly, of the Jay Hawker State, the gentleman of goat gland fame and erstwhile candidate for governor of Kansas has filed suit against Gene Howe, "the tactless Texan" of the Golden Sandstorm city and, incidently, editor of the Amarillo Globe, for the sum of \$600,000 for alleged libelous allusions on the character of the doctor. \$600,00 would buy lots of words and words are about the only assets that most newspapers have left, so in the event that the doctor gets a judgement for this sum, we pity poor Gene as he goes about his Herculean task of pecking out that stupendous number of words.

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At the present price of goats, \$600,000 would also buy lots of goat glands and if goats are handled any thing like cows, a visit to a goaterly in the spring of the year would enable a desirer of goat glands to get at least a bucketful free.

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Along with yachts, limosines, country club affiliations, good looking stenographers and operations, high hats went out of style about 30 days A. D. (after depression).

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It's got so now when you eat a fairly good dinner at some of the larger hotels, the management makes it a point to see that the service is alright and to see that you are extended a cordial invitation to dine with them again. Waitresses seem satisfied without tips and try hard to please, probably in an effort to hold their jobs. This does our Scottish soul good for we can distinctly remember an occasion when stopping at one of the larger hotels in one of the metropolitan cities of the state when we amateurishly snuffed out our cigarette in that little tray that had the check in it, walked over to the cashier and payed it getting the correct amount of change and at the next meal wondered why that with all the waitresses present, that we couldn't get any service. Not being like halotosis, one of our friends told us.

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We are glad that our readers are long suffering and slow to anger because no matter how insistent we become or how often we ask them to pay up, they never get mad and tell us to stop the paper. And occasion ally one will come in and pay up. Of course there may be some of our readers that need their dollar and a half more than we do and in that case we are willing to keep sending on the Post without hope of reward but even that is a point for argument. Please.

## Paving on Square to Begin Monday

The city streets are being prepared this week for the triple course of asphalt treatment which will probably be put on during next week if weather conditions will permit. Local firms have engaged the McClung Construction Company during part of the past week to lay some asphalt tipping in front of their places of business. The Sinclair Station has had their driveway surfaced in this manner and the Gulf Station has had a two course treatment of asphalt topping laid from their north property line to the highway. This station is sowned by W. C. Glenn who says that the work is highly satisfactory and that if he had anymore work of this type to be done he would award McClung the work.

## Red Cross Get Aid From Headquarters

The Red Cross has 50,00 pounds of flour which it is distributing in Knox County. A small amount of funds were received by the local chapter recently with which to buy seed potatoes and onion sets. In addition to this several packages of garden seed were received from the St. Louis office which will be distributed among the distressed and the needy.

## B. H. S. Play A Success

The play, "Pink and Patches", Benjamin High's entre in the tournament at Crowell, was presented there last Friday evening. Under the able direction of Miss Elizabeth Myers, the play gained considerable recognition for the local school, Joe Isbell getting honorable mention from the judges. Other entries in the contest included Chilloicthe, Paducah, Matador, Crowell, Quanh and others.

## Roy Smith Enters Judge's Race

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of Roy Smith of Knox City for County Judge of Knox County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries. Mr. Smith is 37 years of age and has lived in Knox County all of his life. He served eleven years as manager of the Bryant-Link stores and he has been active in the civic affairs of the town in which he resides, having served two terms as a member of the City Council of Knox City, two terms as school trustee of that district, is the present Mayor of Knox City and is Past Commander of the American Legion at that place. Mr. Smith's friends feel that he is exceptionally well qualified to hold the office which he seeks and in making his announcement, Mr. Smith says that he expects to make a house to house canvass of the county and that he will appreciate the vote and influence of the voters of Knox County.

## Self Denial Week To Be Observed At Church

As stated from the pulpit on last Lordsday from March 20 to March 27 is Self-Denial week in the Christian Churches throughout the world. Remember and bring your self-denial offering, be it much or little, to the church next Sunday at the 11 A.M. service. The money will be well expended. See Cor. 16-1-2. A. R. Caudle.

## Santa Fe Special Shows Exhibits Here

Operated by the railway company in cooperation with the Texas A. and M. College, the Santa Fe farm and home special, touring all Santa lines in Texas, drew a large crowd on its stop in Benjamin Friday night, March 18. In addition to local residents many ranchers and farmers from over the country were present to view the exhibits carried by the train.

The special carried four cars of exhibits, one of livestock, one of farm electrification exhibits and two of farm and ranch and farm home exhibits, including 4-H pantry exhibits, home industries and beautification displays. Improved methods of farming and livestock production were stressed with emphasis placed on more profit and better living on the farm and ranch.

W. E. Jones, Knox County farm agent, Miss Grace Nelson, home demonstration agent, greeted the special on its arrival here and assisted in the showing of the exhibits aboard. Benjamin was the second stop in the county of the special, prior stop having been made at Knox City.

Officials aboard reported that visitors to the train up to its stop here totaled nearly 80,00 people.

J. D. Tinsley, agricultural agent of the Santa Fe, Amarillo, had charge of program arrangements for the stop while here. Prof. D. H. Reid, head of the poultry husbandry department of the college, was in charge of the A. and M. College group of specialists aboard. Miss Helen Swift, District home demonstration agent; Miss Mildred Horton, state home demonstration agent; E. A. Miller, extension agronomist; M. R. Bentley, Extension agricultural engineer; John Knox, animal husbandry department of the teaching division; P. T. Montfort, who had charge of the farm electrification exhibit were included in the A. and M. group.

Power for operating the appliances and equipment in the farm electrification exhibit was supplied here by the West Texas Utilities Company

Santa Fe representatives aboard included Mr. Tinsley, R. H. Forbes, division freight and passenger agent San Angelo; A. M. Hove, special representative of the "Earth," Amarillo; Ralph Trolinger, traveling freight and passenger agent, San Angelo D. L. Badgley, trainmaster, San Angelo; L. F. Dinan, agricultural agent Galveston.

Talks by specialists of A. and M. College and the varied exhibits aboard dealt with the benefits of improved farming methods, a live at home program and how life on the farm may be made more comfortable, happier and of greater profit. The program as a whole featured such general topics as agronomy, beef cattle, dairy cattle, poultry, hogs, sheep, and goats, farm electrification, feeding and clothing the family, 4-H club work, yard beautification, rug making and home industries. In the exhibits displayed, visitors to the train found illustrations of the points brought out by the speakers.

In announcing the purpose and nature of the special, J. D. Tinsley, agricultural agent of the Santa Fe Amarillo, said: "This is not the first agricultural train in the operation of which the Santa Fe has joined with the Texas A and M College. But the exhibits aboard are the best ever carried from the college in such work. They tell in a fine way what the college is doing in helping the advancement of agricultural independence and the Santa Fe, in joining ith the college in such an enterprise, feels it is taking the best way to aid in bringing about greater prosperity and better living conditions on the farm."

## District Court Adjourns Monday

District Court wound up affairs here Monday with the trial of a civil suit. The winter term of the Court was ight this year, there being no cases of great importance to be tried. In most of the felony cases the defenants plead guilty and were assessed light penalties. The Court meets in Guthrie Monday.

## Baptists Organize

Rev. E. M. Agee, missionary for District No. 11, has planned for a District wide B. T. S. Revival to be held in the six associations of that District, April 24th to May 1st. An Associational director has been chosen for each of the Associations as indicated below.

Wichita-Archer Association: T. C. Gardner, Director. He will alsowork with First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls that week. A big mass meeting for Wichita-Archer Association will be held at First Church, Wichita Falls, from 2:30 to 3:30, Sunday, April 24th.

Baylor Knox Association: Miss Grace Conn, Director. She will also assist in a meeting at the First Baptist Church, Seymour that week. A big mass meeting for Baylor - Knox Association will be held at First Baptist Church, Seymour Sunday afternoon, April 24th from 2:30 to 3:30.

Wilbarger-Foard Association: Rev. C. R. Bullock, Director. He will also assist in the meeting at First Church, Crowell that week. A big mass meeting for the Association will be held at First Church, Vernon Sunday April 24th from 2:30 to 3:30.

The plan calls for a meeting to be held in every Church in that District that eek. Many books will be taught. Every Baptist in the District should enroll in a class.

It is very important that we know ahead of time ho many churches in each Association will be in on this Revival. If your church plans t have a B. Y. P. U. Study Course during the week, April 24 to May 1, and you have not yet notified the Missionary please do so at once.

The District Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention will meet with the Olney Baptist church April 5-6.

H. S. Kerr, resident engineer of Seymour, was in Benjamin Wednesday in the interest of the highway work.

Fred Crensha and Fred Brown ere in Wichita Falls Wednesday on business.

E. Duval of Munday was over on business the first of the week.

Mrs. Florence Williams returned o her home in Munday this eek after a visit with relatives here.

New subscribers to the Post this week are Belle Gregory, Cedarvale, New Mexico; J. M. Dea, Truscott; W. P. Hurd and Agnes Branch, Vera.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morton of Okla. City ere visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Chamberlain last week end.

Attorney J. S. Kendall from Munday was in Benjamin the first of the week on business.

Judge M. F. Billingsley of Munday was in town on legal business this week.

M. T. Chamberlain and family were visiting in Munday and Goree Sunday.

## Track Meet To Be Held Here

The Interscholastic Track Meet of Knox County will be held in Benjamin Friday and Saturday, April 1st. and 2nd. at which time members of the League from all over the county will be in attendance. Literary events will be held here Saturday, March 2nd. Below is given the program for many of the interscholastic events.

All playground baseball will be played at Sunset on March 26. All coaches will assemble at 9:00 for the drawing and play will begin immediately there after. Do not come expecting to enter a team which has not been officially entered for you will be disappointed. Please check ages of all players as may save you trouble. Mr. Stewart of Truscott will have complete charge of Rural School ball, both boys and girls. Mr. Cloud of Knox City will have charge of High School ball, both boys and girls. Mr. Palmer of Munday will have charge of Ward and Grammar school ball.

There will be only one division in Volley Ball. All coaches will assemble at Sunset School at 9:30 on the morning of March 26th for the purpose of drawing. Play will follow immediately after.

There will be no junior tennis. All divisions of tennis, boys and girls, singles and doubles will be played at Benjamin beginning at 9 on the morning of April 1st. All tennis matches, as well as selection of referees, will be under the supervision of Mr. West and Mr. Riley.

All track events will be held at Benjamin, beginning at 9:00 A. M. on the morning of April 1st. We will follow the order of events of the bulletin unless a few minor changes be necessitated. It will be necessary to run field and track events at the same time to get through by night. Some of the finals in track will be carried over to 10:00 A. M. Saturday, April 2nd. There will be two divisions in track only: Class B and Rural.

The following men will assist in putting the meet over in an orderly manner: Messers. Dean, Cloud Davenport, Harber, Riley, Hardigree, West, Brewer, Davidson, Stewart, Billingsley, Moorhouse, Hoffman and Timberlake.

L. M. Palmer is clerk of the meet. The literary events will be as follows:

8:45 Announcements, Auditorium.  
9:00 Boys Debate, Choral singing.  
10:00 Girls Debate, Senior and Junior Spelling, Sub-Junior Declamation, Essay Writing.  
11:00 Arithmetic, Picture Memory Sub-Junior Spelling.  
1:00 Ensemble singing by all competing Choral Clubs. This event will be in the Auditorium, and will be followed immediately by Junior Declamation. Senior Declamation will follow the Juniors.  
2:30 Music Memory.

## Firemen Answer Two Alarms

The Fire Department answered two calls this week, one Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. Wade Bryan and the other Wednesday morning at the residence of Mr. Green in the north part of town. Very little damage was suffered in either case.

Superintendent C. H. Stewart of Truscott and his baseball team of the Truscott school were in Benjamin Tuesday to engage the local school in a little competition. The Benjamin boys played the Mexican school a hot game Thursday.

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Quite a period of time has elapsed since the public ear has been assailed by the boisterous eulogies of Mr. Hoover by Secretary of War Hurley and the public credulity taxed by marvelous achievements of the Executive in relieving depression as recited by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Jahnce. Indeed, it must appear to the more astute observers of political strategy that the "dogs of war" have been called off, temporarily at least. There has been comparative silence also on the part of some of the other deifiers of the "Chief", perhaps for good and sufficient reasons. It was a little too much to expect that any considerable number of people, especially those looking for jobs, could be convinced that Mr. Hoover's record to date entitled him to membership in a trio of executives on equal terms with Washington and Lincoln.

It must be a relief to the public in the interim to turn to the more or less naive utterances of Mrs. Gann, the accomplished official hostess of the Vice-President—himself an aspirant for renomination—on her oratorical tour to win the women voters, or to win them back, more likely, to the standard bearer of the two-car garage, sanitary plumbing and the abduction of poverty.

The Lady has an advantage in that she does not need to bother about issues that arise from the depression, now well into the third year. She announced early in her peaking campaign that President Hoover could not be held accountable for something that did not exist; ergo, there being no depression, there could be no issues arising from depression. Now, let some contentious Democratic opponent come out of hiding and disprove that.

It must not be inferred, however, that The Lady has no issue. She announced it in a later speech. The issue, as he sees it, is "the re-election of Herbert Hoover", and from her point of view who can say she is not justified, especially if the ticket be made up as it was in 1928?

Thus The Lady with a plain statement of facts and incontrovertible logic not only supplants for the time being the blustering Mr. Hurley and Mr. Jahnce, the Claim Agent of the Hoover Administration, but takes precedence over them in the campaign. Her social precedence has already been established. The Vice-President, of whom she is the official hostess, is the official who by custom performs the social duties for Administration. He is, in fact, the social leader of the political Four Hundred at the National Capital. His official hostess is, of course, of

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**Easter Services**

Services for Easter Sunday March 27. Sunrise prayer meeting at the usual place north of town. If it is bad weather we will hold it in the church. We will have breakfast on the grounds if at the breaks. Each one can contribute anything you can volunteer to do on the program as reading, prayer or remarks. We will not have a formal program but be sure and come. The singing will be in charge of the Christian Endeavor assisted by the audience at the church.

Bible school, 10 a.m.  
Subject, "Easter and the Resurrection" John 20.  
Preaching by Bro. Caudle 11 a.m. Y.P.S.C.E. 7 p.m.  
Subject, "What is the Meaning of Easter."

Leader, Iva Dell Mcanlies. Let all these services be well attended so we may all have a good and enjoyable Easter Sunday that we shall not soon forget.  
A. R. Caudle.

J. L. Galoway was in Altus Thursday on business.

Roy Snody who has been buying cotton at Big Springs the past season is visiting home folks here for a few days.

C. R. E. Weaver and family of Crosbyton have been visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. Ethie Lee P'Pool was a visitor in Weatherford last week.

Miss Lucille Stephens who is teaching school in Dallas is home for the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Wright were Truscott visitors in Truscott Sunday.

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You as the first in that long flight;  
You are first in all our thoughts,  
Every since that awful night.  
But, Lindy dear, ten million with their lives would gladly pay,  
To bring the rogue to justice,  
And your baby home today.  
—C. R. Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Stephens and Mrs. Myrtle Bisbee were in Abilene this week on business.

Bro. G. W. Dvis, former pastor of the Christian Church here, has been visiting in the home of R. R. Rouse this week.

J. C. Patterson was a business visitor in Munday one day this week.

Glenn Burnett and family of Truscott were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Chas. and Wallace Moorhouse have been in Abilene and Jayton this week buying cattle. They have shipped several cars to market, one train going to California markets.

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GREEN GAGE PLUMS, Gallon,	.45
RAISINS, Seedless, 4-lb. pkg.	.35
SUGAR, Pure granulated, 25 lbs.	1.17
OATS, Blue & White, premium pkg.	.21
PINEAPPLE, Red and White, No. 1, can	.09
SPINACH, Gold Bar, No. 2, 2 cans	.25
SYRUP, Karo or Mary Jane, Gal.	.59
YAMS, Kiln Dried, 10 lbs.	.25
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## Melvin Traylor Asks Curb on Mounting Cost of Government

Chicago Banker Shows Need of Caution in Spending Tax-payers' Money

Would Reform Tax Methods

Speaking before the International Chamber of Commerce at Washington, Melvin A. Traylor, President of the First National Bank of Chicago, said in part:

Another field in which those responsible for leadership must do some hard, sound thinking if we are to avoid disaster is that of public expenditures.



Melvin Traylor

In this country, government is supposed to abide with the people, and yet we know that in no other field does leadership exert so great an influence upon the thought and action of the people as in the political sphere. In the fifteen-year period, from 1913 to 1923, our national income was estimated to have increased from about 34½ billion dollars to 81 billion dollars annually, or 135 per cent; in the same period the expenditures of all governmental divisions in the United States have increased from a little less than three billion dollars to more than 12½ billion dollars, or approximately 300 per cent.

It is perfectly true, of course, that insofar as the Federal Government is concerned, the major part of the increase in that direction is accounted for by our participation in the World War; but it is interesting to observe that for the fiscal year ending in 1923, Federal expenditures were only 31½ per cent of the combined outlay for all political administration in the United States.

### Local Expenditures Big Item

Figures are not available for the years following 1923, except for the Federal Government, whose expenditures increased 10.7 per cent for the fiscal year ending in 1923, and 6 per cent in 1930. It may be assumed that like increases have occurred in other political subdivisions of the country. For the year ending in 1923, the cost of administration of State Governments amounted to 14½ per cent of the total; of the remainder, over 54 per cent went to sustain local governments.

Naturally, those responsible for government desire to give their constituency the finest educational facilities, the best roads, streets, public parks, playgrounds, and other facilities obtainable, but, after all, there is no denying the fact that expenditures for such purposes bear a very close relation to the individual, because they mortgage his future earnings for consumable and rapidly deteriorating goods.

Every bond issue for the public welfare is an installment debt on the earning capacity of every individual and enterprise in the community affected. Not only does it involve installment amortization of the debt itself, but a constantly increasing charge for maintenance and upkeep if the improvement is to be preserved against early deterioration and quick ruin.

Most of the taxing machinery of the country was created at a time when the present volume of public debt was not thought possible; and it is, therefore, inadequately and inequitably adjusted to meet the emergencies of the present burden.

The consequences is that in almost every major political subdivision of the country certain classes of wealth escape taxation, or pay little, while other types of property are charged with an unbearable obligation.

The duty of leadership, therefore, in this field is two-fold. First, and most important of all, a greater degree of caution must be exercised in the creation of government obligations; and, second, an immediate reform in taxing machinery must be undertaken.

### Effects of "Federal Aid"

In connection with the creation of indebtedness, it is high time that those responsible for State administration consider the pernicious and seductive influence of so-called Federal aid for public improvements. In many instances, this policy of public expenditure approaches closely to political bribery and in almost every case, lends itself to political log-rolling, the surrender of state sovereignty, and a gradual impoverishment of fiscal units. Moreover, we have said nothing of the proposal and promotion of undertakings which in many instances are not justified by the necessity of the situation or by the utilization of the facilities contemplated. Let there be no mistake in this respect.

Let us face the facts. Unless there is a return to sanity in the matter of public expenditures, default and repudiation of public obligations cannot be much longer avoided.

## Political Announcements

Subject to the action of the Democratic Party in the July Primary.

- For Representative, 114 Dist. George Moffett
- For District Attorney: Donnell Dickson, Dick Dresser, John Veale Wheat
- For County Judge: J. W. Melton
- For Tax Assessor: Earl Sams, E. L. Covey
- For District Clerk: Roy Phillips
- For County Treasurer: J. T. (Uncle Trav) House.
- For Tax Collector: Miss Sarah Wright.
- For County Clerk: M. T. Chamberlain
- For Sheriff: C. R. Elliott
- For Commissioner, Prec. 2: W. C. Glenn, O. L. Patterson, J. W. West, A. B. Sams
- For Commissioner, Precinct 3: J. W. Chowning, Bryan Lowery, O. W. (Onie) Welch, G. W. Solomon, Henry Williams
- For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1: M. F. Harbert
- For Public Weigher, Prec. 3: W. W. Gleason, Henry Abbott

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## Vera News

J. W. Warer is in the Knox County Hospital at Knox City this week undergoing an operation.

Glenn Patterson and wife were given a shower by the people of Vera Wednesday. Many pretty and useful gifts were received.

The children, grand children and great grand children of Uncle John King gave a dinner Sunday for his birthday Monday.

H. A. Patterson was given a dinner on his forty-first birthday Tuesday.

Jack Timberlake is this week remodeling the Timberlake building to put in a cafe.

Walter Feemster is driving a new Ford truck this week.

There will be an Easter program at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Bro. Copeland went fishing Wednesday but came back without any fish.

The farmers are busy this week plowing their fields. Another week and their fields will be in good shape. Jimmy Jefcoat left this week for Austin to accept a position with the company that he formerly worked for.

Chas. Timberlake was a visitor in Wichita Falls Thursday.

The highway patrolman from Wichita Falls was in Vera Wednesday in the interest of his duties.

Eddith Copeland, Pauline Nelson, Cloda Murphey, Agnes Branch, Doss Jernigen and Cecil Sutton were visiting Lura Hughes of Gilliland Sunday.

Herna Branch of Red Springs was visiting in the home of E. R. Branch Sunday.

Henry Patterson dehorned his cattle Saturday.

John Stockton left Thursday for DeQueen Arkansas with the household goods of Roy Kinnebrough. Roy has bought a farm at that place and is moving with his family there.

## GILLILAND NEWS ITEMS

The trees at the school house were watered on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Brown and son made a trip to Stamford over the week end. Junior Brown remained in Stamford for a weeks visit.

Earnest Wright and Arlin Timberlake spent Friday night with Edward Adams.

Quite a number of students were absent from school last week because of sickness.

The J. A. Crawford family were in bed most of last week because of flu.

Mr. Olie Iising and daughter, Odessa, were in bed Thursday until Saturday.

The Jake Cure family have all been in bed with the flue recently.

Mrs. Abbott was unable to attend school the first of the week.

The demonstration club met with Mrs. Banks on Thursday. There were quite a few present.

The Gilliland boys were defeated by Truscott boys in baseball last week. Once at Truscott on Tuesday, score was 4-24 and on Thursday 4-13. However, three of Gilliland main players were absent.

The Gilliland girls tied the Truscott girls on Thursday. The score was 10-10.

We can realize the fact that this is March. The West Texas sandstorms remind us of this.

Earnest Wright, Arlin Timberlake and Ed. Adams visited in the Crawford home Friday night.

Mrs. Abbott spent the week end in San Angelo with her husband.

Edward Adams visited a number of flu patients Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Banks made a trip to Denton Thursday returning Friday.

The school bus was carried to Benjamin for labor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Tarpley were visiting Elmer Horne and family from Abilene Friday and Saturday.

Miss Avis Williams was visiting her parents Sunday from Benjamin.

Miss Margie Grimes of Avoca visited Mrs. Noel Brown this week.

Mrs. A. Horne and children visited Mrs. J. S. Cook and children Sunday.

H. M. Baird with his family spent Sunday with Dan Horne and family.

Arlin Timberlake, Edward Adams, G. W. Byrd, Miss Doshia Reed and Mary Lowrey had dinner with Jim Parvis and family Sunday.

The try-outs for declamation were held in chapel Monday morning. The following were winners:

Senior boys, Jake Hollis.  
Senior girls, Minnie Lee Crawford  
Sub-junior boys, Loyd Feemster.  
Sub-junior girls, Erna Lee Welch.  
The junior girls were not present, therefore try-outs will be later.

A large percentage of the pupils of school are still absent this week.

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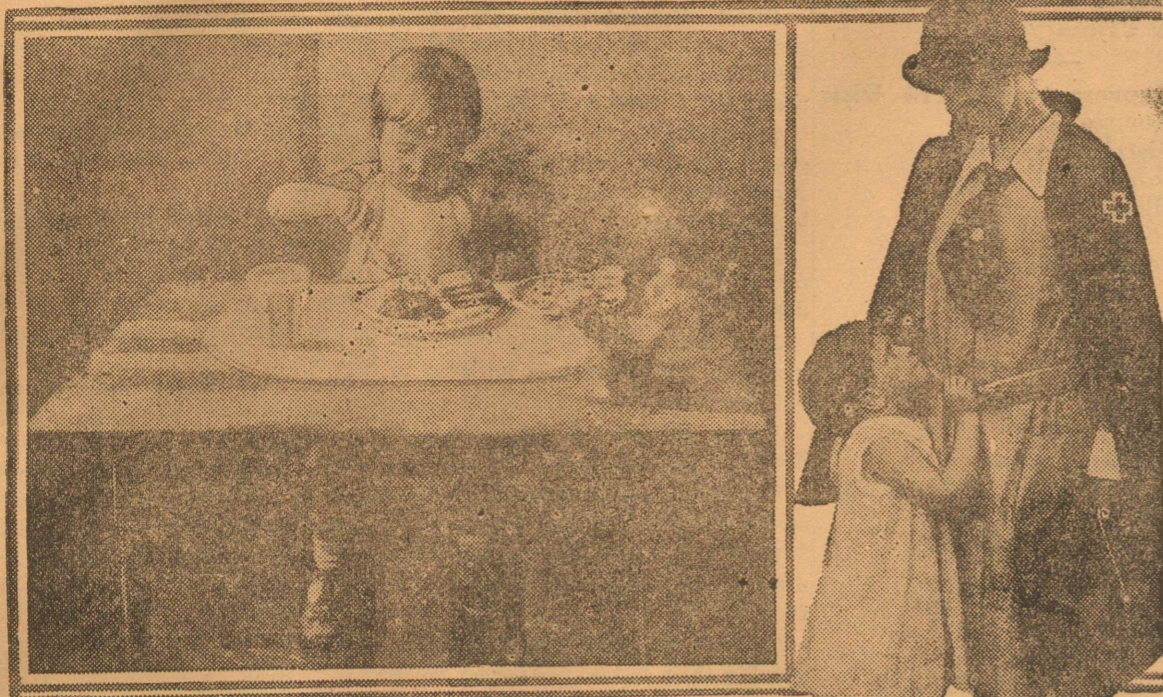
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## Lack of Courageous Leadership One Cause of World Depression

Melvin A. Traylor, of Chicago Cites Human Failure in World War Crisis

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Speaking before the International Chamber of Commerce at Washington, Melvin A. Traylor, President of the First National Bank of Chicago, said in part:

Reams have been written, countless, addresses have been made, and more will follow in the search for the genesis of the present world depression; and, likely, recovery will come and the crisis be only a memory without there having been found a universally accepted cause or unanimous agreement on methods for the prevention of future defaults.

But I cannot escape the conclusion that the dawn of the present situation broke over the world in July, 1914, and it came not from ignorance of the ultimate results of the course chosen, but because of a complete breakdown of world political sanity.

There was no lack of knowledge of the consequences, but rather of courage to face the facts, to throttle national pride, and to demand common counsel in an honest search for a basis of peace. Such a search might have failed, but, unfortunately, history does not indicate that it was honestly made.

### Leadership Was Lacking

I am not a pacifist. Until enlightened understanding points us to the council table of peace rather than to the battlefield, there will be a need for armies and navies. But let us not say that we choose the latter course in ignorance of the tremendous costs of the game. Rather let us admit generally the lack of courageous leadership which dares to align itself with the right at the risk of being unpopular.

The point I would make is that, without prejudice as to guilt, the hu-

man element did fail in 1914, and the world then began its march to the tragedy of 1930-31. For it is tragedy when in a world of plenty there should be so much poverty, and when, in a nation which boasts of its riches, five million or more people willing to work should be unable to find employment.

It is a challenge to the world, and especially to American business and political leadership, which cannot be ignored and must not be shirked. Causes must be determined with some degree of accuracy and remedies discovered and applied. The task is largely that of business leadership.

We would follow almost endlessly the literature on causes and remedies for the world situation, most of them dealing with the purely economic or the semi-political-economic side of the question. To the lay mind it is all more or less confusing, and to the man at the desk frequently beyond the realm of the practical.

### Human Angle of Problem

In speaking more particularly of the character of responsible leadership in America, I am assuming that human conduct has differed little in most countries of the world. It is my purpose to talk about the human side of the problem.

If it is the responsibility of business and political leadership to promote the economic and social welfare of the community, it may be worth while to take stock of our conduct and see how we have measured up to our duty in recent years. This much, however, seems certain. The "new era" theory current in the days of our inflated prosperity was a myth, and is equally valueless in our search of relief.

The forces that have been and are at work are as old as the history of economics. Why should there be in this land of plenty, with unlimited facilities for production, abundant harvests, and a surfeit of credit, millions of hungry and unemployed? It is not the fault of those who would work, but can find no work to do. They have little or no choice in shaping their course and while it is true that society owes no one a living, society as far as humanly possible does owe everyone an opportunity to earn a living.

In that obligation we have failed, and until we know wherein we have failed and why, we will not have found that stability which is the universal desire of mankind today.

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