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Our Motto; "TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UF-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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LADY LUCK GAVE BAIRD

Coyotes A Thriller In Their Contest Last Sunday With The T. & P. Dallas Team

At the T-P Park, Sunday, April 19th, 1925, Miss Lady Luck very generously presented the Baird Coyotes with a 10 to 7 win over the Texas & Pacific Baseball Team of Dallas, in one of the weirdest games ever seen on the home grounds; both sides did an abundance of hitting, and all the kinks and miscues should be out of the players systems, since both clubs pulled enough boners to last them for the entire season.

The game started off with a bang. Raleigh Ray walked the first man up, struck out the next, then Mullinax, the Dallas catcher, sacrificed, but the best Kramer could do was whiff, retiring the side; for Baird, Brundage flew out to Kramer, at third, Wristen singled, Bouchette did likewise, Estes grounded out third to first, Wright walked, filling the bases, but Earl Hall sent a terrific liner to left field, which Banks captured after a difficult run.

In the second Dallas scored a couple on two singles (by Lusk and Haddix) and several bonehead plays by Baird; but the Coyote came back and scored four times on one single, two bases on balls and a few miscues.

Each added another in the third, on one clear hit each; again, in the fourth, Dallas added another on a dropped ball and a triple by Christensen; in Baird's fourth, Estes singled and Wright doubled, after two were down, but E. Hall flew to center; in the fifth Dallas added two more and went ahead of Baird on a base on balls, two singles and some more slow work.

Gus Hall, for Baird, pulled the first double play (unassisted) in this inning, when he speared Munden's line drive, doubling Haddix off first; Baird failed to register in the fifth or sixth innings and Dallas failed to get one over in the sixth or seventh. Baird, however, knotted the count in the seventh on singles by Wright and E. Hall and an error by Christensen.

In the eighth Dallas again went ahead of the Coyotes, when Keilig and Webb singled in succession and a couple of errors on the part of the Coyotes. However, the Coyotes were not to be denied, so in the eighth they fell upon the offerings of the elongated Mr. Miles for enough solid smacks to salt away the old ball game. Brundage dropped over second for a single, Wristen sent a screeching double down left field, Bouchette followed with a single, Estes whiffed, Wright singled, E. Hall grounded out Haddix to Heilig, G. Hall singled. The Coyotes registered four times in this frame.

In the ninth Maddix flew to short-stop, Munden flew to first and Miles was out, pitcher to first.

	R	H	E
Baird Coyotes	10	13	7
Dallas T-P's	7	11	8

Batteries for Baird, Ray and Ray; for Dallas, Miles and Mullinax, Kramer.

After the game, Manager R. G. Concluded on last page

CITY COUNCIL ORDERS WATER CONSERVATION

At the Tuesday night meeting of the Baird Chamber of Commerce, His Honor Mayor J. Robert Black, in a short talk agent the report of the Committee on the Budget, incidentally mentioned our Water Supply and grew quite eloquent in defense of it, outlining some of the plans now hatching in the fecund minds of the Water Committee of the Council, for the system's betterment.

The Mayor, "for he himself hath said it," dreams of a future Baird with umbrageous shade trees lining every street, "green grass growing all around all around," and, surrounding the homes of its citizens, flower gardens, vegetable plots and fruit trees to beat the band.

These things—so desirable for the happiness and well being of every citizen—are all coming, is His Honor's belief, "when we get our water supply perfected." He says.

"We've got water in abundance out there beneath the sandy field that the City purchased, on the edge of which the big well was dug, and as fast as water rents are available, we are going after it. Already we have started one water tunnel and in time we hope to put in larger supply pipes and give everybody water in abundance."

That sounded pretty good, but, in the meantime, that our present visible supply be equitably conserved, the City Council has ordered Water Superintendent Charles W. Conner to issue the following proclamation, that all may—and it is hoped will—obey:

To the Water Consumers of Baird: We are asking you again, in kindness, to not use the city water for irrigation purposes. The City of Baird covers more than one hundred and sixty acres of land and the present water supply will not irrigate that amount of land.

While you are watering your garden and grass, your neighbor is not getting enough water for domestic purposes, notwithstanding he is paying as much water rent as you are.

The wells are pumped out twice a day, and all the water they produce is put in the pipe line.

We are instructing the Water Superintendent to cut off all parties using water for irrigation without further notice.

City Council.

SIM MCCOY DIED SUNDAY

Sim McCoy, who has been in ill health for a long time at his home south of Belle Plaine, died Sunday night, and the funeral was held at Belle Plaine Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment made in the Belle Plaine Cemetery, where sleep many of the friends of his younger days. The funeral was largely attended from distant parts by old friends. Sim McCoy was a brother of the late Jasper McCoy and was among the early settlers of this county. He is survived by his wife and several children, all grown. A more complete sketch of his life will be published as soon as we can secure the proper data, or some of the family or friend will write it.

Mrs. Alvin Rosson and her bright and interesting little son, Donald, who have been the some time guests of the O. Nitschkes, left for their home in Winters Sunday evening, the husband and father being their escort.

SPONSORS FOR BAIRD

At The West Texas Chamber Of Commerce 7th Annual Convention, May 4-5-6

The Baird Chamber of Commerce delegates to the Seventh Annual Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, at Mineral Wells, May 4, 5 and 6, will be sponsored by a "Madam Baird," in the person of Mrs. Everett D. Driskill, and she will be most efficiently assisted by that splendid young lady, Miss Mamie Morrison, who will officiate as "Miss Baird."

So the members of the Chamber decided at Tuesday night's meeting of that organization in Judge Ben L. Russell's office, when a list of candidates was presented by Committeemen J. R. Black, James C. Asbury and Bob Norrell, and the expenses of these ladies to Mineral Wells, at Mineral Wells and from Mineral Wells, will be paid by the Chamber, and James C. Asbury was appointed a committee of one to notify these ladies of the honor conferred upon them.

After his address to Pastor Dick O'Brien's Bible Class, at the Sigal Theatre, last Sunday morning, Ollie D. Webb of Dallas, confidential secretary of President J. L. Lancaster of the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company, declared that he would be glad to help Baird in every way within his power, to add to the T. & P. Railway investments in Baird and, as there is a well defined rumor that there is to be an increase in the company's shoppage facilities, President Thomas E. Powell and Judge Ben L. Russell were appointed a committee to confer with President Lancaster at once and urge Baird's claims and advantages. The committee was also instructed to try and secure a grade crossing east of the overhead bridge, for the accommodation of cattle shippers.

The matter of delegate and visitor transportation to and from the Mineral Wells Convention, was discussed at considerable length, and the committee was given further time to confer with the T. & P. officials and definitely arrange the matter.

It was resolved that the Baird delegates to Mineral Wells cast the vote of Baird for Abilene as the 1926 meeting place of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention.

A committee was appointed to confer with the citizens of all towns between Abilene and Mineral Wells on the Bankhead Highway, to counteract the determined effort that is being made, by gross distortion and misrepresentation of facts, to divert travel from the Southern and superior to the Northern and inferior loop of the Highway between Abilene and Palo Pinto.

To increase the size and add to the efficiency of the Baird Chamber of Commerce, James C. Asbury and County Clerk S. E. Settle were appointed a committee to make a thorough new membership canvass of the city and report at the next meeting.

The Budget Committee, composed of H. B. Shaw, J. R. Black, Will Concluded on last page

SEVEN MONTH'S WORK OF NURSE STELLA CARTER

The following is a tabulation of the work performed by Nurse Stella Carter for the seven months beginning September 1, 1924 and ending April 1, 1925:

Preschool conferences 32; attendance 469; defective 311.

Prenatal names referred to office, 5.

Mother's classes 2; attendance 31. School children examined 2,081; school children defective 1,661; school children having corrections 117; births registered 131.

Little Mother Classes 8; girls receiving certificates 123.

Community demonstrations 15; home demonstrations 2; permanent health centers established 4; official meetings attended 9; group talks 93; individual conferences 493.

Local doctors assisting in work 5; lay people assisting 63; committee meetings 7.

Letters written 1,595; literature distributed 1,110 pieces; office calls 105; community group meetings 34. Newspaper articles 19; schools visited 39; visits to schools 146.

Children weighed and examined 2,900; notes to parents 2,081; visits to homes 51.

Class room talks 173; conferences with parents 184; conferences with teachers 213.

Prenatal visits 11; infant and preschool visits 53; school children visits 40; general visits 125; communicable diseases 28.

There were sixteen sets of posters entered in our County Poster Contest and all the schools who worked in this deserve honorable mention. The schools taking part were: Clyde, Cross Plains, Putnam, Baird, Enterprize, Oplin, Fairview, Gardner, Cedar Grove, Iona, Turkey Creek and Jackson.

In the High Schools, Clyde won first place and Cross Plains second. In the Rural High Schools Enterprise won first place and Oplin second; in the one and two teacher schools, Fairview won first place and Cedar Grove second.

The schools winning first and second places will receive pennants in school colors.

BLESSED RAIN FALLS AT LAST

The long drought—broken at intervals by tantalizing showers—ended yesterday morning, when, at 6 o'clock, an intermittent rain, with an accompaniment of thunder and lightning, began falling and lasted for three hours.

There was considerable wind and measurements at The Star office showed a precipitation of 1.5-8 inches.

The rain began West in Ector and its area was North to Dalhart, South to Ozona and dribbled out on its course East around Putnam.

Ollie B. Webb of New Orleans, assistant to President J. L. Lancaster, of the T. & P. Railway Company, delivered a most interesting address on Biblical subjects to the members of Pastor Dick O'Brien's Bible Class, at the Sigal Theatre, Sunday morning, and at 10 o'clock, made another able address at the Baptist Church. He is a most forcefully earnest and convincing speaker.

LOYALTY TO UNCLE SAM

Is What County Judge Victor B. Gilbert Expects Of The Callahan County Boys

County Judge Victor B. Gilbert is an ex-sailor, is patriotic and a lover of the flag he helped defend. He wants the young men of Callahan County to thoroughly saturate themselves with the same sort of patriotic fidelity that brought him up-standing to the colors when President Wilson called Americans to arms.

The whole world is in an unsettled condition and soon again for Americans may sound the fearsome cry: "To arms!" Uncle Sam, who has his fingers on the pulse of the whole world, is conscious of this universal unrest and brooding hatred. He wants to keep aloof from it, but if it is necessary, he will jump into the breach at once, and he wants his boys to be in perfect condition, physically considered to fly to the colors and defend them, even at the sacrifice of their lives.

Taking time by the forelock, Uncle Sam has established Citizens' Military Training Camps all over his far-flung domain, and you can be fitted for duty when the call is made, either for a commission in the Officers Reserve Corps, or for duty as a plain "buck" in the ranks.

To those who desire to enter one of these camps, traveling expenses to the camps and return will be provided, including meals en route. Food, uniforms, laundry service, medical and dental attention during the candidate's stay are provided free.

See Judge Gilbert, boys, and prove yourselves loyal Americans. He will tell you, in detail, what it means to you and to the country that gave you birth.

MRS. ALVORD DIED AT ABILENE

Mrs. A. M. Alvord, widow of the late J. N. Alvord, died at Abilene, Saturday and the funeral was held at the Presbyterian Church in Baird Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. L. B. Gray, an old friend of the family, assisted by Rev. P. B. Henderlite, Pastor of the Baird Church, and Rev. E. B. Surface, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Abilene.

The body was interred beside her husband in Ross Cemetery. Mrs. Alvord is survived by two daughters, Mrs. R. D. Williams, of Putnam, and Mrs. E. L. Finley, of Abilene, with whom she made her home, also a step-son, Frank Alvord, of Portales, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvord were honored and esteemed citizens of this county. A large crowd attended the funeral to pay their last respects to a good woman and the widow of one of Callahan County's most respected citizens. Many friends accompanied the body from Abilene.

ATTENTION SINGERS

There will be singing Sunday, afternoon, April 26th at the First Baptist Church, Baird. Several singers of note have been invited to be here. Among them Prof. R. H. Cornelius, of Fort Worth, Prof. J. B. Easterling, of Clyde; Profs. Luther and Lucian Webb, Abilene, and others. Books of 1925 have been ordered for this occasion. Come and tell others about it.

Palestine Population Is Increased 9,814 in Year

Jerusalem.—Official returns show that 11,851 Jews, 4,573 men, 3,836 women and 3,442 children, entered Palestine as immigrants during the twelve months ended December last. During the same period the Jewish emigrants numbered 2,037, so that the net increase of the population through immigration during the year was 9,814. The corresponding increase in 1923 was 3,758.

Ship Plans to Extract Bromine From Sea Water

New York.—The steamship Ethyl, will sail April 15 from Wilmington, Del., to extract bromine from the ocean. A world shortage of bromine, which is said to threaten both industry and science, caused the Ethyl to be fitted out as a factory for recovering bromine from sea water, the American Chemical society announces. The Ethyl will call at no port, but will roam the ocean and extract from the waters her cargo of bromine, which is regarded as essential to medicine, motion pictures and to the ethyl fluid of motor fuel.

Ankles to Be Seen in Next Courts in England

London.—If dresses designed for the next courts at Buckingham palace, now on view at the shops of various modistes, are followed, there will be less material seen than usual, and more of the wearers' ankles.

Most of the models on view have the extremely short skirts which have come into vogue since the last court was held, and against which there is at present no official regulations. The cut of the neck is very discreet, while the length of train and the veil is also restricted as at previous courts.

One dress on view is of silver and lace finished with ostrich feathers. Another is of pale pink brocade with a girdle of brilliants and a train of gold lace, while a third is of silver and pale mauve.

Find Petrified Forest Near Tonopah, Nev.

Tonopah, Nev.—That there is a petrified forest, one of the most beautiful in the country, within 40 miles of Tonopah, is a fact not generally known. More than 100 petrified trees are still standing, just as they grew originally. Little has been written about this forest on account of its inaccessibility.

The forest covers several hundred acres. The ground is strewn with the fossilized bones of animals and here and there are small caves.

The entrance to the forest is through a small canyon which widens into a river bed, which, in design, reminds one somewhat of the Grand canyon.

William Gomm of Tonopah, with a party, recently visited the scene and brought back several sacks of bones and teeth of enormous size. He said the trunk of one of the petrified standing trees was fully fifty feet high and fifteen feet in circumference.

Gomm has written the secretary of the Interior suggesting that the forest be made a national park.

Tunnels to Save Users \$20,000,000 Yearly

New York.—Traffic experts of New Jersey estimate that the Holland tunnels under the Hudson river will save merchants and others \$20,000,000 a year, because it will shorten distances between this city and Trenton, N. J., and points between, and that the Lincoln highway will afford such an outlet as to prevent congestion and the consequent delays for years to come.

The Lincoln highway runs from Jersey City to Trenton, touching the bigger centers on the way like Newark, Elizabeth, Rahway, Metuchen, New Brunswick and Princeton. Fred Lavis, assistant construction engineer of the New Jersey state highway department, made the \$20,000,000 saving estimate. The basis of his figuring was that trips between important points will be made in so much shorter time that at least one dollar will be saved on each trip by vehicles and that the number of these trips will be at least 20,000,000 a year.

He pointed out that this amount, capitalized at 4 per cent, indicates that \$500,000,000 might profitably be spent to eliminate present delays to traffic.

Girl, Two, Knows Letters and Quotes From Bible

Fergus Falls, Minn.—Mary Louise, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matson of Fergus Falls, is exciting the curiosity and admiration of residents of this city because of her mentality.

In her second year Mary Louise surprised her mother by walking into the kitchen and naming all the letters on the oven door.

The prodigy not only knows all the letters but some active standard recite nursery rhymes and name pictures of animals and Biblical scenes.

Woman Is Killed by "Face Peeling"

Los Angeles, Cal.—Detectives inquiring into the death of Mrs. Jessie Gilchrist during a "face-peeling" operation in Hollywood, were investigating a report that Mrs. Gilchrist underwent another face modeling operation last June, at the hands of Dr. Gertrude Steele, "beauty doctor," who fled to Germany after she had been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of a patient.

It was believed possible that Mrs. Gilchrist's death might have been due indirectly to the first operation, as well as to the operation under which she died. Chemical analysis of the woman's brain showed traces of phenol poisoning, and the theory was that the operation last June may have left her particularly sensitive to the effects of the phenol solution commonly used in face-peeling operations.

Texas Building Good Roads.

Texas is just now doing much effective highway development. The state will get \$4,415,715 of the \$75,000,000 voted by congress just before adjournment, making a total of \$33,136,000 received since the beginning of the federal aid policy. With 2,132 miles of federal highway built and 1,450 miles under construction, Texas is leading all other states in highway mileage. At the present rate of construction Texas will soon have good roads covering most of its populated area.

FINGER PRINT DATA ON 7,000,000 MEN

Army Can Locate Any Regular in 20 Minutes.

Washington.—Finger-print identification has been developed by the army to the point of efficiency where its application at times vies with the thrills of detective fiction.

Any unidentified man who has served in the regular army can be located in from ten to twenty minutes, and his full record laid bare. In that short time a searcher finds him among the more than 7,000,000 men who have been in the army since 1906, when the finger-print system was introduced. He may have been one of the 50,328 Smiths, the 40,101 Johnsons, 28,902 Browns, or one of the 27,938 named Williams. All the army needs is his finger print to find his record.

Index System Thorough.

Walter S. Kaye, in charge of the bureau, says the indexing has been worked out so efficiently that even a new clerk, one never before having had knowledge of the system, can begin work as a searcher with little preliminary instruction.

The science of finger-print reading is based on the study of the curious, circling network of all but invisible lines on the ball of the thumb and each finger. Examination of millions of specimens shows that the normal formation is the whorl, or the scroll which winds these lines from the outer edge in a gradually reducing circle to their inner termination at the core of the network. A majority of human beings are marked with this scroll, but there are others whose finger-print lines run in flattened figures or in complications of figures far removed from the simple, easily-read whorls. The first step in identification has to do with determining the broad general division in which the prints under examination are to be sought.

There are but four main groups or classifications of prints, arches, loops, whorls and composites. Each type has its gradational cases. The whorls have 1,024 values or combinations and the loops, arches and composites have each their respective values to simplify segregation for filing and to make them easily located when identifications are sought. The evaluation of prints thus made has overcome all difficulty of dealing with large collections of finger markings, such as are in the army files.

Finger prints, since their adoption in 1906, have exposed frauds, protected innocent men from injustice, kept undesirables of the criminal type out of the service, protected the government from unscrupulous claimants and uncovered the guilty. Many interesting accounts of such instances are contained in official papers of the War department during the last 15 years.

Never a Mistake.

Those who have worked in the identification bureau since its establishment are authority for the statement, that never has a mistake been made. They have made more than 200,000 identifications.

"The finger-print system," Mr. Kaye says, "is superior to any other system so far devised, in that it permits of no error. This may seem a strong statement, but the finger print, when clearly made, allows of no misrepresentation; it is an actual presentation and does not permit the personal equation of error to enter. Other systems allowed errors of measurement and errors in location of marks."

In the more than 70,000,000 digit photographs in the identification bureau's files, Mr. Kaye says, there are no two of them alike. "There is just as much chance of finding two prints alike as there would be in going into the fields and finding two flowers exactly alike."

Finds Old Indian Cave at Grand Tower, Ill.

Grand Tower, Ill.—High over the Mississippi river, commanding a broad view of the opposite shore and the river for miles, a cave has been discovered near the top of Big hill, or Mountain bluff, near here, whose walls are marked with hieroglyphics, indicating early Indian occupation and probably Indian religious worship.

Remoteness of the cave and condition of markings, when discovered by Frank Solomon, sole inhabitant of the hill, indicate the marks are very old. When found they were covered with a sort of moss or mold, and there were no evidences the hidden recess had been altered since the early occupants left.

Chief of the markings, giving a clear picture of the bend in the river as it curves south from Chester, twenty miles away, is a hollowed-out half sphere, about a yard across. Most of the marks in it are now obscured by the erosive effect of changes in climate, but four are discernible.

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The Child Labor Amendment to the Federal Constitution is defeated. Thirty-four States, so far, have voted, four for and thirty against, which means defeat, no matter how the others vote.

This is the most decisive defeat the professional reformers have met in years. This amendment, had it carried, would have allowed the Federal Government to dictate to every parent in the land how they should treat their children. No child under 18 years of age would have been allowed to engage in any gainful pursuit, no matter how necessary the labor of such children may have been to support a widowed mother or helpless father.

It was the most pernicious piece of legislation ever proposed and it was met a well deserved defeat at the hands of the people it proposed to help.

Both pros and antis used to sing a song entitled "Oh! How Dry I Am!" Old time pros and antis do not sing that song just now, because it has a meaning entirely different to what it had years ago.

Now the thought in this section is not of the beverages that once so cheered, but of water. The weather is now one of the most important subjects and well it may be, because Spring has come and is well advanced, and most of Texas is dry—awful dry—with the exception of a few spots; but it is no use to worry about it. There is time enough yet to raise cotton and feed, but seemingly little chance for grain or corn.

We picked up a copy of The Star Sunday, published January 29th, 1909, and the first item we noticed was about the dry weather and the crop suffering for rain and from the Hessian fly. That year was a hard year, especially in Western counties, where the people suffered more than we did.

UNION SCHOOL CLOSSES TODAY

The closing exercises of the 1924-1925 scholastic term at Union School will be held today (Friday, April 24), and an elaborate program has been arranged. Rev. J. E. Black will deliver the closing address, and proud parents will lay aside home cares and farm and ranch duties to help the youngsters celebrate.

It will practically be a two-day affair, for tomorrow there will be a grand picnic, with games and sports, and oodles of eats and you can depend upon it there will be plenty for all and everybody is invited. There will be more speaking and that picnic dinner, the very thought of which makes one's mouth water.

**METHODIST UNIFICATION
ADVOCATES IGNORE LAITY**

J. J. Faulk of Athens, Texas, in a recent communication to the Dallas News, says that much has been said and written of the achievements of the "forgotten man," of his sacrifices and good work, of his privations and hardships, of his unconquered and unconquerable will in building and carrying on for future generations. Yet he was always bewailed as the "forgotten man."

Many times have I thought of this greatest hero and of our indebtedness to him, but I have never been in position to appreciate fully the "forgotten man" until now. I would not, for the world, do the great leaders of our beloved Methodist Church an intentional wrong, but, as one of the laymen, I feel that I am treated as the "forgotten man" by some of our bishops, many of our ministers and leaders, in the consideration of the "Unification Plan."

The impression is made on me that neither my counsel, vote, advice nor influence is needed or sought, in the solution of this great problem, and that no one understands it, save a few leaders. And the policy seems to be to keep the rank and file of the church in ignorance of the question or its probable consequences. It seems that only partisan argument in favor of Unification is welcomed.

The "forgotten man" is the one who supplies the sinews of war. He builds our churches, our bishops', elders' and preachers' homes, pays their salaries, meets the obligations of the church, builds our universities, sanitariums, colleges and orphan asylums and raises and pays all the moneys necessary to carry on the great work of the church. Yes, this "forgotten man" is the biggest part of the church.

Decimate him from the ranks of the congregations—nothing would be left to tell the story of our great works and departed glory, but black and empty walls.

It seems to me that if any class on earth is interested in this great move, initiated by a few of our leaders, to "unify" the two branches of the Methodist Church, it is the man or woman who has spent his life, his money, his energy and influence in advancing the cause of his great church.

His love and desire for the welfare of his beloved church is equal and I dare to say, may be greater, than some of the men who are trying to force us into this unknown and dangerous experiment. Force, did I say? Yes, force, I think, is the right word, for the very reason if we embark on this unknown voyage, we will be forced into it. I am warranted in saying that some of the bishops and other would-be leaders, including many of our good ministers, intend to vote for the Plan, regardless of how church membership stands.

I feel that I am not only treated as the "forgotten man," but as a driveling idiot. Beware, the storm clouds may yet rage. Partisans should be admonished by the little cloud on the horizon.

**ON UNIFICATION AND
WILL OF THE CHURCHES**

Also, in The News of last Monday, W. W. Latsinger of Waco, under the above caption, is of the opinion that Bishop Mouzon is much exercised over the fact that some Methodist congregations are taking a vote on the question as to whether or not they approve the Plan for Unification with the Northern Methodist Church.

This very question as to how the sentiment of the church at large should be ascertained was raised in the General Conference by Judge

Turner of Amarillo, when he introduced a resolution providing that the adult members of every congregation should vote on the proposition this Spring prior to the meeting of the District Conferences.

But the resolution was tabled by the sympathizers of Bishop Mouzon, and the great body of the membership of the Church, those who pay the bills—the salaries, build the colleges, the hospitals and support the institutions of the Church, were denied a voice in the matter. He should not be surprised that when these lay members get a chance, they rise up and smite his plan hip and thigh.

Another thing that seems to worry the Bishop is, that in some places, where those opposed to the Plan are in the majority, they have "instructed" their delegates to vote against the Plan.

May I ask what is the difference between doing that and in electing a delegation known to be in favor of and committed to the Plan, yet they have been elected only by a bare majority in the Quarterly Conference?

Certainly that is not the will of the Church, and a Unification but will bring heartaches and tears and unhappiness of hundreds of thousands of Godly men and women who love and have sacrificed for their church.

The two articles above refer to the layman of the Church as "The Forgotten Man," in the contest over Unification, and I dare say that the laity of our Church, to a great extent, feel the same way about it; but, if the laity is forgotten by the leaders of Unification, they are finding out that the Laymen of the Church do not propose to see their Church destroyed, that many have spent a life time helping build up, and to make it one of the second largest Methodist Churches in the World.

If this Plan goes through, it will be because the rights of the Laity of the Church have too long been ignored. Those who favor this Plan tabled a resolution in the General Conference of the Southern Church last year, to allow the adult members of each local Church to vote on Unification. The lame excuse was made that the members already had that authority—which is true—but that was not the reason the resolution was tabled.

The only reason, one can guess, why the Unificationists did not want this resolution to pass, was because they feared that this resolution, if adopted, would be construed by the members a requirement, rather than as permission. In other words, the Unificationists, from Bishop Mouzon on down the line, have clearly shown, by their expressions, that they do not want the members of the Church to express themselves.

On the other hand, those who oppose the Plan, urge the members to vote and to see that delegates the District and Annual Conferences, who oppose this surrender of our Church, name, property—everything we have as a Church—to another Church, that has done everything possible to destroy our Church, rather than help it.

The Laymen are awake and are causing uneasiness in the ranks of the Unificationists, who imagined that they had us hogtied and delivered us over to the new Church, that has no name, nor any constitution to protect us.

Will the Plan protect us! This Plan is the most wonderful invention ever conceived in the mind of man! It will result in a deadlock, the very first time the North wants something that the South does not want!

There is one thing certain: The laity of the Methodist Episcopal

Church, South, must demand more representation in its Conferences.

For instance: All local preachers are members of the District Conference, which is all right, and I do not object to any local preacher voting in the District Conference; but, in this district, there are said to be about 14 students of McMurry College who are studying for the ministry and are members of the District Conference and each has a vote in electing lay delegates to the Annual Conference. This is not fair or just and the laymen of our church must demand a change in our church laws, to prevent such unfair representation.

These fourteen men are all said to favor Unification, and it is possible that they might hold the balance of power and elect the entire eight delegates to the Annual Conference, who will all favor Unification, when the members of the local churches oppose it. Is it right that these 14 should have such power? I do not know a single one of them but I doubt if one of them has any real interest in, or contribute, any thing to the support of any of the churches in the district, while the lay delegates of the church represent the church and really represent the people who build church houses, parsonages and church colleges.

Yet, it is possible that these fourteen young men may cast the deciding vote that decides the fate of our church. Suppose they elect the eight lay delegates from the Abilene District and the vote is close in the Annual Conference. Those eight delegates might decide for Unification. Then suppose Unification only lacked one conference to complete the union, that a majority of the laity of the Northwest Conference of Texas do not favor? I do not think this will happen. In fact, I do not believe that it will make the least difference whether the eight delegates of our district are for or against Unification, because I believe Unification is beaten in this Conference, but I protest, as I have a right to, against the law of our church, that gives such power to young men who—perhaps not half of them will remain in the ministry—after they graduate.

And another thing: The Annual Conference, to which we send delegates from this district at Cross Plains, in May, is composed of about 200 clerical delegates and 72 lay delegates; if the ministers were all united, they could put Unification over us, in spite of the fact that 85 per cent of the laity of this Annual Conference are opposed to Unification. Concluded on last page

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WINNING CALLAHAN STUDENTS AT SEVENTH DISTRICT MEET

Baird High School's two girl orators, Mary Darby and Eules Stephens, who had come through with flying colors in their forensic contests with teams from neighboring high schools, lost to Mary Pittard and Velma Thomas of Anson, in the final debate of the two winning teams of the Seventh District at the Inter-scholastic League Meet, last Friday and Saturday, at Simmons College, Abilene.

Helen Ogilvy of Baird High, got third honors in the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest, first going to John J. Watts of Moran and the second to Wayne Cook of Big Spring.

Walter Ely, son of District Judge W. R. Ely, a former Baird boy, now of Abilene, got third place in the High School Junior Boys Declamation Contest, first place going to Truett May Hamlin of Abilene and

the second to Carter King of Albany. In the Rural School Senior Boys Declamation Contest, a Callahan County boy, O. A. Wood of Union School, won second honors, first going to Perry Barker of Conway and third to Vernon Adcock of Post.

S. A. Moore of the Cottonwood School, got third honors in Rural School Junior Boys Declamation Contest, the first going to Clifford Watts of Hastings, Shackelford County and the second to Woodrow Adcock of Post.

In the Essay Contest, Rural School Division, Hazel Gobie of Iona School, Callahan County, got third honors, with Edith Durham of Centerview, Stonewall County, first and Archie Patterson of Hastings, second.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Oris Phillips, of Ranger, were here Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Alvord.

Rev. J. B. McCarley, pastor of the Clyde Methodist Church, was a pleasant caller at The Star office Wednesday.

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Miss Rex Gilliland, who was called home last week by the illness of her mother, returned to Breckenridge Tuesday to resume her duties in the postoffice, her mother being able to be up.

Senator and Mrs. W. C. Woodard of Coleman, were in Baird, Wednesday. They made The Star office a pleasant call. Mrs. Woodard is a cousin or the editor, who regrets that he was away from the office when they called.

Friends in Baird are in receipt of wedding invitations from Mrs. W. C. Powell, of Dallas to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Cuthbert, to Mr. Robert Gordon Harpold, on Wednesday, April 29, 1925 at 12 o'clock noon at the Church of the Incarnation, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. T. R. Frost, mother of Mrs. Chas. E. Johnson, died at the home of her daughter in Big Springs, on April 2d and the remains were taken to Santo, the old home, for interment. Many friends in Baird sympathize with Mrs. Johnson and other members of the family in the death of their mother.

Ex- and County Judge B. L. Russell and Victor B. Gilbert, J. Scott Gilbert and Albert Clements, Louis Cook, Y. A. Orr and "Toots" Clements, the four latter well known citizens of Putnam, spent Monday and Tuesday on the Clear Fork of the Brazos, returning home Wednesday morning. They had a most gorgeous time and caught—three small fish!

A "Medicine Man" and his outfit worked Baird people to a fare-you-well last week and several days of this week on the vacant lot, west of the courthouse. There was a snappy free concert, with toe-tickling jazz music and a funny black-face comedian. The doctor-lecturer had a snappily convincing line of talk and the cure-alls sold like hot cakes. Yes! There's one born every minute.

ROB COCHRAN IS AGAIN IN UNCLE SAM'S NAVY

The Star is in receipt of a letter from Rob Cochran, who has again enlisted in the United States Navy, for an eight year's enlistment, after which he will retire. He is on the U. S. S. Memphis which is of 10,000 tons, commanded by Captain H. E. Lackey, with a full crew of 450 men. The Memphis sailed a few days ago from the Brooklyn navy yard for Cuban waters for a ten days torpedo drill and will return to Philadelphia on May 5th and on about June 20th will sail via Europe for Australia, where she will join the United States Warships cruising in the Pacific.

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Unless you believe in what you are doing and show faith in your ability to get results, you are not likely to have any large amount of success. A person usually gets about what he goes after, but he has to go after it with earnestness and zeal and stay with it until he gets it. The half-hearted people who do things in an indolent, listless way are sure to get the same kind of response to their efforts. If I wrote this column as though I did not care whether it was read or not, you would hardly care to read it; if I wrote it not caring whether it sets you to thinking, it would not start a thought in your mind. The fact that I believe in it and that the editor of this paper believes in it gives it a weight it could not otherwise secure. About a half million persons read it every week and I have a strong faith that many of them get something worth while from it. Still, I know they would not if I did not put worth-while effort into it.

Failure is Largely Your Fault.

When a reasonable amount of success is not secured from an effort, it is well to try to find where the fault lies. In most cases at least part of the trouble will be found to be with yourself. There may be calamities that are unavoidable; and every one is likely to make mistakes. We do not at all times exercise good judgment in our undertakings. But three-fourths of the business failures are due to lack of resourceful effort or to a failure to keep up the stride until success is attained. Often when success comes in sight we make the mistake of thinking we have it well in hand. I have seen hundreds of farm crops cut short by being "laid by" too soon. Scores of merchants have "laid by" when they seemed to be doing well, and bankruptcy has resulted.

Contests Stimulate Effort.

The Interscholastic League meets are doing wonders for the school boys and girls of the country and towns. Almost every paper now tells of county and district meets participated in by students who are contesting for honors in debating, declamations, music, reading, spelling, athletic events, and other things that test the mind and the body. Young people who come together in these contests put their very best efforts into whatever they do, and whether they win or fail, they are greatly helped by the trials they make. It has been well said that it is not so much what we do as what we try to do that counts. It is the "try" in these school contests that develops these young people. Next to the effort, the best thing that comes from these "meets" is seeing what others are doing in the same way, and getting inspiration for still greater effort. At a track meet recently at the University of Texas there were "world champion" runners, high jumpers, and others—several of them—brought to the university at large expense. Nearly every young athlete there is now trying to beat the records of these champions.

Why Fair Exhibits Pay.

We do not like to admit that any one can beat us at what we are trying to do. There are thousands of Southern farmers now trying to grow more cotton on five acres than the Anderson County, Texas, farmer produced last year. They are saying "I am not going to let that fellow beat me, if I can help it." The chances are good that the Anderson County man will not be the champion after this year. When the farmer goes to a fair and sees that some one has raised a better calf or hog or coop of chickens, or has produced a crop that beats his, he feels his pride a bit hurt, if he is the right sort; and right there he determines to see if he can't be a leader in something himself. Fairs, like the school "meets," create a spirit of contest that results in better effort.

The Great Southwestern Oil Field.

Oil developments in the Southwest in the last few years have been such that time may prove the entire section to be underlaid with oil at varying depths. Even now it appears that oil or gas may be found almost anywhere in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana if only it is gone after in the right way. Hardly a week passes that a new field is not developed or a proven territory is not extended. It may yet be found that the greatest wealth of this territory is under the ground.

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STOCK SWINDLERS USE MAGNETISM

Hit Upon New Methods to
Keep Up With the Times.

New York.—The financial underworld which fringes Wall street steadily hits upon new methods to keep up with the times and ahead of the law. Its jargon is elastic, impromptu and bizarre.

For example, swindlers who fleece the public through sales of fake stocks work by telephone in what is called a boiler-room. Telephone salesmen are said to "hook the suckers." Dynamiters, so-called, "build up" the victims and hoodwink them into switching from standard securities, first held out as bait to attract investment, to worthless stocks which the conspirators are in business to unload.

Gone is the "gold brick," gone the bunco man who struck up acquaintance with prosperous visitors from the interior at metropolitan railway depots in the '90s. The get-rich-quick man of today has imagination. Avoiding the mails as much as possible, he strikes over the telephone and telegraph, often to bring down quarry as much as several states away.

These swindlers operate from offices that usually are obscure, sometimes merely desk room, so customers will find telephone calls hard to trace. In the larger plants there often is a battery of as many as eight telephones. This is the boiler-room, the term being derived from the practice of creating an atmosphere of bustling activity to impress inquisitive suckers who cannot be kept away.

The bustle is not wholly fictitious, the better business bureau investigators have found. Hour in, hour out, salesmen with good voices canvass by wire a list of names selected either from a secret "sucker's list" or the telephone directory.

They hook their man by offering to let him buy some active standard stock guaranteed to advance on a partial-payment plan. He can sell out at the rise and take a profit perhaps equal to as much as he has paid in. The money is duly received, but the stock is never bought.

An attorney in Toledo, Ohio, was reached by long-distance telephone from Philadelphia and New York. He placed \$515 on a curb stock here and won. He was persuaded to switch to a worthless mining stock and agreed to send \$2,500 more. Postal inspectors nabbed one of the swindlers at a telegraph office as he was waiting for the remittance. Later they caught two others.

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SOUTH IS EAGER FOR MORE PARKS

States in Dixie Follow Lead of Texas.

Washington.—Interest in state park systems has increased greatly in the South during the last year, according to observations made in a survey of state parks throughout the country, now under way for the national conference on state parks by its field secretary, Raymond H. Torrey.

The lead in state park acquisition and improvement for public recreation has been taken by Texas, which, within a little more than a year, has moved to a position up among the leading states in this respect. Fifty-one tracts containing 30,000 acres, have been donated for park purposes, and another gift of 25,000 acres in the Guadalupe mountains is expected.

Governor Brandon of Alabama appointed a committee to study a park plan so that he may recommend a law at the next session of the legislature. School lands are very extensive in Alabama and might be devoted to park purposes without prejudice to any income they bring the schools.

Governor Fuqua of Louisiana favored a bill establishing a commission to solicit gifts in Texas, and such a measure will be introduced at the next session of the Louisiana legislature.

Governor Whitfield of Mississippi is studying a program with particular reference to transfer of school lands for the purpose.

Governor Walker of Georgia was interested in the Texas plan and a bill creating a forestry board and empowered to include recreational use of lands it might acquire by gift, transfer or purchase will be introduced in July.

In Florida, where the State Federation of Woman's Clubs has been chiefly responsible for the acquisition of such state parks as now exist, there is a strong movement for a definite policy of increase in such facilities.

Tennessee is interested in the possibility of a national park in the "Great Smokies," on its eastern border, but is also planning state parks, an important unit of which would be Reelfoot lake.

North Carolina has lately added to its state parks a fine beach property of 400 acres near Beaufort, transferred to the state by the United States War department. Opportunities for the acquisition of a large number of these surplus military reservations, in the Atlantic coast and gulf states, which the War department desires to sell, are now open.

Iowa Turtle Farm Found to Be Paying Venture

Des Moines, Iowa.—Ninety per cent of the turtles shipped to hotels come from the only turtle farm in Iowa near Fertile, Worth county. Hanson Johnson and his helpers operate this unique farm. In underground stockades they keep thousands of big and little turtles for winter and spring markets.

About August 1 each year, Johnson and his aids open the drive on Iowa snappers. They catch the turtles in the streams of northern Iowa. The turtles are caught with nets in some streams and with special wire traps baited with liver in others. They are then hauled in trucks to the turtle farm at Fertile and placed in the underground stockades.

Johnson this winter shipped on an average 2,400 pounds of live turtles a week to Des Moines, Chicago and eastern cities. He has little trouble with his turtles, once he lands them in the underground stockades. He feeds them on minnows caught in the nearby streams. This is his fourth season in the turtle game and he said there was increasing demand each season.

128 Miles an Hour by 9-Ton Flying Boat

Philadelphia.—Hurling her nine tons of duralumin hull into the air 15 seconds after starting along the surface of the Delaware river, the giant naval flying boat PN-9 flew at 128 miles an hour, 13 miles faster than her designed speed, for 50 minutes before a group of naval experts.

On returning the PN-9 landed at a speed of 52 miles an hour. Two 470-horse-power motors drove the plane, with its 72-foot wing spread, through the air. The craft is 50 feet long and carries a crew of five.

ASSAILS MEMORY OF ROBIN HOOD

Railroad Threatens to Desecrate Sherwood Forest.

Washington.—Nottingham is reported indignant at the proposal to run a coal-carrying railroad line through Sherwood forest, home of Robin Hood, Little John and Marian.

"The local protests arise not only from respect for a famous legend but because of the abiding beauty of the considerable portions of the forest which remain," says a bulletin from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"The early Sherwood forest was bounded, roughly, by the towns of Nottingham, Chesterfield, Worksop and Newark. It never was an unbroken woodland; it included pastures, heaths, and even barren tracts with here and there a densely wooded grove. Its original area—some 25 miles long by 10 miles wide—already is cut through by railroads, and inside these older limits today are towns and one cluster of beautiful estates known as the 'Dukeries.'"

"Nottingham, on the southern border of the old forest limits, is a thriving city of nearly 300,000 people. It is famous for the strength of its ale and the beauty of its women; for the size of its extensive market place, the mystery of its caves, the annals of its rock-planted castle, and the festivities of its goose fair.

"While the castle rock stands, the inhabitants will tell you, their city will endure.

"At Papplewick is the very cave where Robin Hood and his merry band took shelter!

Built by the First William.

"The original Nottingham castle was built by William the Conqueror. Its grimest memory is the hanging of 28 Welsh boys, whose bodies were suspended over the walls so the town might see, by order of King John. The boys had been placed there as hostages for the good behavior of their fathers. When the parents rebelled there was no recourse, in those times of direct action, but to execute their sons.

"To this day visitors are shown 'Mortimer's Hole,' a passage through which young King Edward III gained entrance and surprised his mother, Queen Isabella, in company with her lover, Roger Mortimer. The queen-mother's plea, 'Fair son, have pity on the gentle Mortimer,' you will recall, had no effect, and after a sojourn in the London tower the 'Gentle Mortimer' was tied to a horse's tail and dragged to the Tyburn gallows.

"Nottingham's history spans the centuries from the period when the Danes fought the Saxons for a foothold on the Trent, down through the meeting of parliaments there in the Fourteenth century, the raising of the standard of Charles I in 1642, and the dismantling of the castle by Cromwell's troops two years later.

"Then the strife shifted from feudal to industrial struggles. For its prosperity today Nottingham thanks not kings, or generals, or armies, but Richard Arkwright for setting up there, in 1769, the first spinning frame, and John Heathcoat who, 40 years later, opened a new era in lace manufacture by his machines for making bobbin net. Today Nottingham is famous for its hosiery and lace.

"Thoresby was the home of Lady Mary Montagu, witty correspondent and travel writer, who is credited with bringing back from Turkey a method of inoculation against small-pox.

"But Thoresby's most famous story is that of the duchess of Kingston. After a secret marriage, at which the parson read the service by the light of a taper in the 'best man's' hat, and the birth of a child, Elizabeth Chudleigh and her first husband separated. She sought a reconciliation when it looked as if Lord Bristol was about to die and leave her long-neglected husband that title.

"After she had arranged a forged registry of her marriage Lord Bristol set her plans awry by recovering. In the meantime she had scandalized the county by various escapades—including her appearance in an extremely décolleté gown at a masked ball. Gossip associated her name with the duke of Kingston and she confirmed the rumors when she was installed as hostess of the merry entertainments

at Kingston house. LEAD THE DUCHESS as Lady Hamilton she then began to dream of marriage, and she persuaded her husband to divorce her until he earned such a procedure would mean his assumption of his wife's heavy debts.

"Nothing daunted, Elizabeth brought a suit accusing her husband of falsely proclaiming his marriage to her, she was duly declared a 'spinster,' and London gasped when she married the duke of Kingston.

"Five years later her husband died, but the earl of Bristol inconveniently died about the same time, embarrassing the duchess of Kingston with the added title of the countess of Bristol.

"The courts being faced with this dilemma, commanded the lady's arrest on a charge of bigamy. The countess attested that the registry of her first marriage was bogus, which was true, but witnesses turned up to swear that though the registry was false the marriage actually had occurred.

"'Fair enough,' pleaded Elizabeth in effect, 'if the honorable court adjures I am a countess, I am. But as a countess I am immune from branding in the hand.' The bewildered jurors discharged the duchess-countess."

The Verb "To Woo?"

"The business girl finds a husband by the simple expedient of prosecuting her search where men congregate."—From a Canadian Paper.

Advancement

To cure is the voice of the past; to prevent is the divine whisper of to-day. —Kate Douglas Wiggin.

Blind Football Star Invents Improved Kite

New York.—Although he was blinded 12 years ago, Perry Hale, former Yale all-American football star, has invented a kite which he is demonstrating. Since the tragedy which darkened the world for him he has brought happiness to hundreds of children through the toys he has learned to fashion.

In was in 1899 and 1900 that Mr. Hale reached the goal of all football players when he was picked for the all-American football team. When he left Yale he started in his chosen profession of civil engineering.

On his thirty-fifth birthday anniversary an explosion of chemicals with which he was experimenting, blinded him. He was sent to the hospital for the blind at Evergreen, Md., where he learned the toymaker's art.

Toothless Cow

A drover bought a young cow in Stratford, N. H., for a very small price from a man who didn't know as much about a cow's anatomy as he now does. The drover claimed the animal was pretty ancient and declared that her upper jaw proved it, as she had lost all her teeth. The owner, not knowing that cattle never possess upper teeth, reluctantly agreed and sold for a song.

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FORMER BAIRD LADY HONORED IN ABILENE

We take the following from the Abilene Reporter of Tuesday, April 14th:

"The initial social event given at Lytle Beach Inn, the formal opening of which has been anticipated with interest by numbers of women, was an affair of exceptional pleasure to society maids and matrons who were gathered there Monday afternoon in response to invitations issued by Mrs. Harold Austin and Mrs. Geo. W. Yantis, who introduced their friends to Mrs. M. N. Walker, mother of Mrs. Austin, who has recently moved here from Baird, and is now occupying her new home in the Highlands.

After the Lenten quiet and the cessation of almost all social affairs for the forty days, the guests of Monday seemed to find unusual happiness in again coming together and particularly so under such delightful circumstances. The many beautiful toilettes of the vivid hues so popular this spring added color and loveliness to the scene.

At three o'clock one hundred bridge enthusiasts found their places at the twenty-five tables of lovely arrangement, after having greeted the hostesses and their honor guest and two friends from out of town, Mrs. Will S. Hinds, of Baird, and Miss Marguerite Seale, of the Seale Ranch, near Baird.

The view of Lytle Lake from the south windows, which surround the spacious reception room added to the pleasure of the guests during the hours when the games were played with interest high. A background of greenery afforded by the graceful arrangement of willow branches in immense hand decorated urns made a pretty setting for the tables and the handsomely gowned women. Through the greenery a glimpse of the dining room was obtained and from here in the late hours, the hostesses served delicious ices, sandwiches, mints and olives.

The party was beautifully souvenired, with a lovely boudoir pillow presented to Mrs. Walker, and a similar high score trophy going to Miss Mary Kaufman. Miss Laura Minter was consoled for low score. A dainty picture was presented to Miss Don Zula Yeager for high cut among the players, and Miss Auten for high cut among the tea hour guests was given a linen towel. Mrs. Hinds and Miss Seale were favored with old rose French vases.

Some fifty guests joined the bridge players at the tea hour, and a most delightful musical program was given. Miss Lillian Morrison gave a piano solo, Mrs. Jesse Walker, with Mrs. Geo. W. Fry, playing her accompaniment, gave a two number solo group; Mrs. S. M. Alexander gave a two number group with Miss Hopkins as her accompanist and a duett was given by Mrs. Lester Gorsuch and Miss Auten, with Miss Martha White at the piano.

No detail of hospitality was left unattended by the thoughtful hostesses to make this an occasion extraordinary for the one hundred and fifty guests who expressed their pleasure in meeting the charming guest of honor.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Preliminary plans for the Twenty-ninth Annual Congress of Parents and Teachers, in which the energetic and progressive members of the Baird Parent-Teachers' Association will be deeply interested and will no doubt send a representative delegation, will be held at Austin Monday next, April 27, continuing until Saturday, May 2, announce several innovations.

The organization formerly known as the Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers, is now known as the Congress of Parents and Teachers. The reason for this change is that fathers, as well as mothers, are becoming interested in child welfare work, already have joined or formed clubs, been assigned to positions of importance on governing boards of the organization.

Because of this fact there is to be a special luncheon for the men delegates at this National Convention.

In Texas, alone, there are thirty-one men presidents of local Parent-Teacher Associations.

The opening day, instead of being devoted to board meetings, will be given over to an institute for delegates on local leadership. This will be conducted by the executive and field secretaries and will be of a very practical nature. A question box will be opened Monday morning for points to be considered.

Chairmen of standing committees will be given, during the session, five minutes for statements of their plans for next year, and ten minutes will be allowed for questions from the floor. The whole nature of the convention seems to be for educating and training of leaders and individuals in the work of organization.

The evening sessions are given over to music and addresses. The tentative program, in addition to addresses of welcome and responses, lists Dr. M. W. M. Splawn, President of the University of Texas, as the speaker for the first evening with the subject, "Purposes of Liberal Education."

Tuesday evening two addresses are scheduled, one by Mrs. Cornelia James Cannon and the other by Dr. F. D. Slutz, principal Moraine Park School, Dayton, Ohio, "Education for the New Leisure" and "Schoolmaster and the Twentieth Century," respectively.

Wednesday, Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, Chairman Illiteracy Commission, World Federation of Education Associations, will speak on the "Challenge of Illiteracy" and will share time with Dr. Henry Newmann, Ethical Culture School, who will take as his subject, "Education for Moral Growth."

Thursday the evening addresses will end with Dr. Helen T. Wooley, Merrill-Palmer School, Detroit, and Willis A. Sutton, President Georgia Education Association. Dr. Wooley will speak on "Home Foundations in Education," and Mr. Sutton on "The Power of a Public Forum in Education."

The entertaining program offers in addition to the opening banquet, the presidents' lunch, and general conference luncheons, and a drive over the city, the unique features of the Pageant of the Old South by 6,000 Austin public school children, staged in the University Memorial Stadium, and the old style Texas barbecue given by the citizens of Austin at Barton Springs.

Application of Guardian To Make a Mineral Lease

No. 732

In Re Guardianship of Josie B. Turner, Non Compos Mentis.
In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas.

Notice is hereby given that I, Mrs. L. G. Hadley, Guardian of the Estate of Josie B. Turner, Non Compos Mentis, have this day filed my application in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Callahan County, Texas, authorizing me as the guardian of the estate of said ward to make a mineral lease upon such terms as the Court may order and direct, and for a bonus of \$1.50 per acre with an annual rental of \$1.00 per acre for a period of five years, the usual Producer's 88 Form Lease Contract upon the following described real estate belonging to said ward, situated in the County of Shackelford, and State of Texas, to-wit: An undivided 1-8 interest in and to Fractional Section No. 63, containing 336 acres, and Section No. 64, containing 640 acres, both of said tracts being Lunatic Asylum Lands, and an undivided 1-3 interest in and to 351 acres off of the north end of Section No. 57, Block No. 11, T. and P. Ry. Co. Lands. Said application will be heard by the County Judge at the Court House in the City of Baird, Texas, on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1925.

Mrs. L. G. Hadley,
Guardian of the Estate of Josie B. Turner, Non Compos Mentis 21-1

Methodist Unification Advocates Ignore Laity

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The laity ought to have equal representation in our Annual Conference to prevent such a thing as ramming Unification down our throats who do not want it.

Be it said, to the credit of our ministers in this conference, that a majority of them oppose surrendering everything our fathers contended for, and what we, as their successors, have carried on, until our church is recognized as the second strongest Methodist body in the world.

Really, there are more and better reasons for the two Churches to remain separate now than there were for them to separate in 1844. Union under this Plan will only bring trouble, bickering and strife. Defeat it! That's the only sensible thing to do now.

Yours, for Our Own Church,
W. E. Gilliland.

SECOND QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The Second Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Church, Baird Station, Abilene District, Northwest Texas Conference, was held Sunday April 19th. Present: W. E. Lyons, Presiding Elder; W. J. Mayhew, Pastor in Charge. A quorum was present. Benj. L. Russell, Jr. was elected Secretary. The regular routine business was transacted. Reports showed that the church in all branches of work and finances is in good condition. The only question out of the ordinary was the election of four lay delegates in addition to those who are members of the Conference by virtue of some office held in the church. The following are members of the District Conference: Rev. W. J. Mayhew, Pastor in Charge; Rev. G. E. Printz, Local Preacher; T. E. Powell, District Steward; Benj. L. Russell, Jr. Recording Steward; B. F. Russell, Church Lay Leader. Delegates elected by this Conference were: Ace Hickman, A. R. Kelton, J. E. Alexander and W. E. Gilliland.

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S. Hinds, Bob Norrell and Max Brundage submitted a lengthy written report, which was read by Secretary Shaw and discussed at length by various members of the Chamber. The budget covers the estimated expenses of the Chamber from May 1 until December 1—a period of eight months—and totalled \$4,500. It included the salary of a permanent secretary, support of the Baird Municipal Band, financing the 1925 Callahan County Fair next Fall, the Saturday Donation Fund to country visitors, rent of an office, purchase of supplies and other miscellaneous expenses.

A general discussion followed the reading of the report, and opposition developed to several of the items, particularly the Saturday evening donations to visitors from the country. Finally, on motion of B. L. Boydston, the report was received and will come up for final consideration at the next meeting.

According to a ruling of President C. C. Walsh of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, it is doubtful if the representatives of the Baird Chamber will be permitted to take a voting part in the proceedings at Mineral Wells, as Paragraph 1 of a circular letter, bearing date of April 19, sent out by him reads as follows:

Each town affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and in good standing on January 1st, 1924, shall be permitted to cast the total vote of said town as the same appears of record on the books of the organization as of May 1, 1925. Such vote shall be one vote for each paid membership in the organization. If a town has 40 paid memberships it shall have a vote of 40, etc.

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LADY LUCK GAVE BAIRD

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Hail of the Dallas team, expressed himself as being desirous of returning to Baird for another game in the near future; he also expressed the hope that both teams would be able to play a faster and cleaner game of baseball.

The gate receipts of Sunday failed to pay expenses of either of the teams and it behooves the fans of Baird to turn out in generous multitudes to the games, if they have any desire to see them continued, for you sure can't run a ball team on imagination—it takes the cold cash.

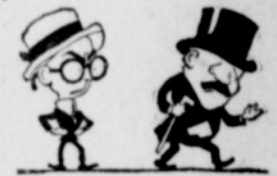
Next Sunday's tussle will be with the Putnam Spudders, who are very anxious to avenge the defeat that we gave them on their home grounds recently and they are coming strong and with blood in their eyes.

Don't miss this fracas, for it is going to be a real ball game from start to finish. Help your Coyotes!

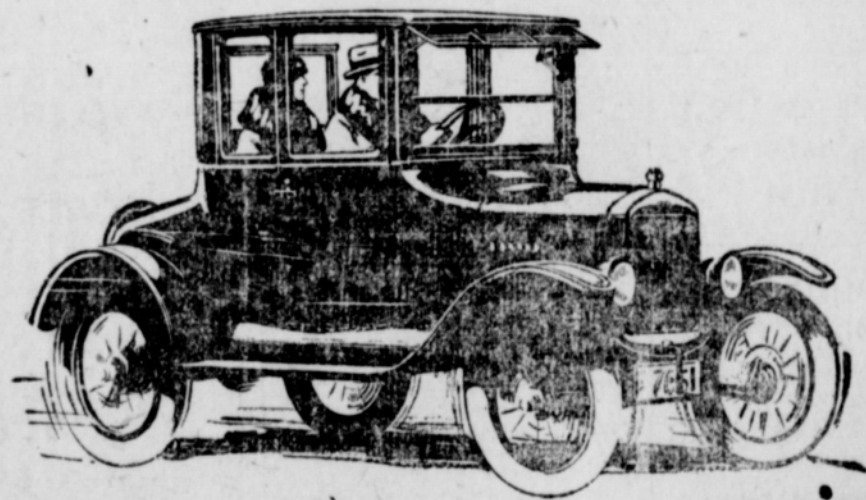
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