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## Men's and Boy's Suits for the Picnic



We are offering some special values in Men's and Boy's Two Piece Suits, come and see them:

Men's Suits .....	\$6.50 to \$15.00
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## B. L. Boydston

### Light Plant Closed.

The Electric Light Plant shut down Monday night, and it is rumored that a new company will be organized with ample capital to put in an up-to-date plant. The large gasoline engine never proved satisfactorily and the company claims the manufacturers refused and failed to make good their guarantee given when the engine was purchased. The difference resulted in a law suit, and was won in part by the manufacturers, that is they got judgment but not all they sued for. From what we can gather the old company has decided to dissolve and a new company will be formed that will put in an entire new plant. That is the talk, but we cannot vouch for this.

THE STAR hopes the new company will return to steam power and put in a large Corless engine, because steam is always reliable, but this can not be said of gasoline engines. The only thing in the way of steam however, is our deficient water supply. Mr. P. H. Crook and Virgil Jones

we are informed, went to Dallas last night, which indicates that a definite plan has been agreed upon. We hope to be able to make a definite announcement about the lights next week. One thing certain, Baird will have a light plant, as the business is too good to be abandoned. This much we believe is certain. Just how long before the lights will be turned on again we are not informed, but possibly not over 60 or 90 days.

Dr. S. T. Fraser, J. B. Harmon, C. S. Boyles, Judge B. L. Russell, W. E. Gilliland attended a called meeting of Abilene Commandry No. 27 Knights Templar, Monday night. Judge Russell of Baird, O. P. Thomas and John Marrow of Abilene took the degrees. The party had a very pleasant trip.

Dr. H. H. Ramsey and brother, Linz Ramsey, have returned from San Antonio, where they attended the meeting of the State Dental Association the latter part of last week.

### SCHOOL TEACHERS.

The following persons have been employed as teachers in the Baird Independent School District for the ensuing scholastic year: Prof. J. E. Smith, of Collins County, Principle, salary \$100 per month and tuition of all children over age total salary about \$125; Prof. S. E. Settle, Baird, First Assistant, \$70; Mrs. Gussie Surles, Baird, \$50; Miss Maud Austin, Mineola, \$50; Miss Stella James, Baird, \$50; Miss Jennie Bonham, Cleburne, \$50; Miss Pearl Birmingham, Collin County, Primary Department, \$60.

Only two of the old teachers will be in the school next year. Some of them did not apply. The result perhaps is a surprise to some, and no doubt a disappointment to friends of the home teachers, and by the way in justice to the Board while only two home teachers were selected that was the first choice of the editor who is a member of the Board, all the trustees had about the same experience, but take it as a whole, if recommendations count for anything, the Baird school has the strongest corps of teachers for next term in the history of the schools. The entire Board was governed by the single thought of securing the best teachers possible for the school. True all had a choice, but we want to say that strange as it may appear very few members got their first choice. The selection of teachers throughout was largely the result of a compromise made necessary by the impossibility of selecting some who had the strongest support at home. The number of applications for places by home people alone were far more than the teachers required. THE STAR regrets that all the home teachers could not get places, because they are all worthy, accomplished and deserving young ladies, but all could not be employed. The number of applications for teachers in the school we believe numbered over fifty and came from all parts of the state. Our friends did not all get places, neither did yours or any member of the Board, but let us all pull together, give the school and every teacher our earnest support and make the next school the best Baird ever had.

There is no question but what a majority of the patrons expected the School Board to exercise more than usual care in selecting teachers this time, and there is no doubt the people and the school board will expect more of the teachers the coming year than ever before. All salaries have been raised, and increased work and care on the part of every teacher will be expected. As to the school last term THE STAR believes it was the best school Baird has ever had and every teacher did their part honestly, faithfully and conscientiously and deserve the thanks of the people of Baird. The new teachers will have to work hard if they do better than the corps of teachers we had last year, only two of whom are in the new faculty.

Have your buggy and go-cart wheels refitted with rubber tires at the City Shoeing Shop. 29-4t.

W. R. Irvin, living in the south-east part of the county, is visiting his son, Sheriff T. A. Irvin.



## Easter Rush Is Still On

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B. L. BOYDSTUN.

Rev. Starnford Duncan, of the Legiate Institute preached a fine sermon on Christian education at the Methodist Church last Sunday.

Grandma McKinney has been quite ill for the past two weeks, but some better today. Age is telling on her and for a long time has been unable to leave the house.

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Go to Mrs. A. M. Millers for fine lace.  
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### HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Protective Stock Association in adjoining counties reward for the arrest of any person for unlawful branding of horses or cattle belonging to this Association, in Callahan County.  
J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres.  
G. WEBB, Secy.

### Change in Ice Business.

I have bought out the Seay ice business and would be pleased to have your orders for ice. Phone 150.  
-tf MOSE FRANKLIN.

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### Pastures Posted.

All persons are warned not to hunt, fish or trespass in any way in any of my pastures. Dynamiting the holes of water is a violation of the law at any time of the year. Take warning and save court case. W. B. ELLIS.  
24-12p Denton Ranch.

My pastures on the Bayou and Rough Creek are posted and all hunting, fishing or trespassing in any manner therein is hereby positively forbidden. W. J. HARRIS,  
24-12 Eagle Cove.

### CALLAHAN COUNTY

We have several hundred copies of the Callahan County edition of Texas Resources, recently issued by H. L. Bently & Sons, which will be distributed free to all who want them. If you want some copies for yourself or want to send them to some friend back east send me the names and postoffice address and one cent in stamps for each copy desired and I will wrap and address them to your friends if preferred. I will ensure and send stamps as I cannot afford to pay the postage and it is only a few cents to you; for instance you can send five copies for a nickel as many as you want at one cent. Send one cent stamps to Secretary Baird, Callahan County, Texas.

### NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County.  
2-tf T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

### Pasture Posted.

My farm and pasture known the Virgil Jones place on Bayou, nine miles from Baird, on Eagle Cove road, is posted. All fishing, hunting (dynamiting fish) is positively forbidden. Keep out.  
28-4t. W. P. BARTON.

### Agents Wanted.

G. W. Chapman, of Abilene, West Texas agent Rand McNally Texas and U. S. Map, wants agent in Baird to sell the map. See map on exhibit at STAR office. Write him at Abilene.

### He Fired the Stick.

"I have fired the walking-stick I've carried over 40 years, on account of a sore that resisted every kind of treatment, until I tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve; that has healed the sore and made me a happy man," writes John Garrett, of North Mills, N. C. Guaranteed for Piles, Burns, etc., by Powell & Powell druggists.  
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WITH **Dr. King's  
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**SPARKS FROM AN ANVIL.**

BY J. MARVIN NICHOLS.

Written specially for THE STAR.

The joy of life is living.  
One's final judge is one's self.  
Character is the product of antagonisms.

Pray not for comfort but for combat.

The measure of power is the obstacle overcome.

There is a peace that rests on points of bayonets.

When dignity is not larger than the purse its alright.

It pays to keep your eye on your clothes while you're in the swim.

Love the glory of the battle-field infinitely more than the temptations of wallowing ease.

Out of heroism comes faith in the worth of heroism. Believe in your ultimate triumph.

Silks are never so gorgeous, nor linen never so fine, as to make less loathsome the sin of the human heart.

A certain woman joined the Don't Worry Club and then worried herself almost to death about the payment of dues.

The "yellow peril" is here now. It is gold that makes life perilous, and the heart's history a supreme tragedy.

In any given thing you have no right to condemn a person unless you are supremely better than they in that very particular.

Man toils until his eyes are sunken and his countenance is all pinched with care. He has chosen immolation on a cross of gold.

Senator Elkins once said: "A man may chase dollars and get happiness, but the trouble comes when dollars begin to chase him." That's so.

It is one thing for a man to use money—it is another thing for money to use a man. The former is a contented soul; the latter, a slavish vassal.

The literary taste of this modern age is freaky. There's the muck man. But when he came he found a reading public with a distorted taste quite ready for his goods. He came unto his own, and his own received him.

We are fast becoming a race of globe-trotters. We leave the solitudes of the Rockies—our Switzerland, the Hudson and the Columbia—our Rhine to see the reputed grandeurs in distant places. It's the fact we're chasing—not the country and its glories.

In this age you can't be happy unless you take on more than the mere wage thought. Emerson, who is more and more each day coming into his own, never wrote a line with the fear of poverty scourging or the greed of gold urging. His first book took about thirteen years to sell the first edition; but still he kept on working as the wild vine keeps on blushing into grapes whether the eye of man sees or not, whether or not the hand of man gathers.

"This little pig went to market," doesn't amuse tonight.

Baby's not well; what's the matter, her dear little cheeks are so white;

Poor little tummy is aching, naughty old pain go away, Casawheat mother must give her then she'll be bright as day. It is sold here by All Druggists.

For scratches, burns, cuts, insect bites and the many little hurts common to every family, DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve is the best remedy. Be sure you get DeWitt's Sold by All Druggists.

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When some fellow tells you that you can't be fitted in ready made clothing.

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Get your pencil, Tablets, Ink, ect from Powell & Powell. 41-tf.

New line of wall paper at Powell & Powell's 16-tf.

When you feel the need of a pill take a De Witt's Little Early Riser. Small pill, safe pill, sure pill. Easy to take—pleasant and effective. Drives away headaches. Sold by All Druggists.

**Remarkable Rescue.**

That truth is stranger than fiction, has once more been demonstrated in the little town of Fedora, Tenn., the residence of C. V. Pepper. He writes: "I was in bed, entirely disabled with hemorrhages of the lungs and throat. Doctors failed to help me, and all hope had fled when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. Then instant relief came. The coughing soon ceased; the bleeding diminished rapidly, and in three weeks I was able to go to work." Guaranteed cure for coughs and colds. 50c and \$1.00, at Powell & Powell's drug store. Trial bottle free.

**A Fortunate Texan.**

Mr. E. W. Goodloe, of 107 St. Louis St., Dallas, Texas, says: "In the past year I have become acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, and no laxative I ever tried so effectually disposes of malaria and biliousness." They don't grind nor gripe. 25c at Powell & Powell's drug store.

We sell Malthoid Roofing, better and cheaper than shingles. Miller & Chumney. 26tf

**Attention Gin Men.**

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2000 chairs of all kinds, shapes and designs at prices that will please you. Halsted & Ramsey. 27tf

Red Hodge Fence, Bois d'Arc post, fire brick and a complete line of the best screen doors in stock. Miller & Chumney. 26tf

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25c per hundred.

**The Magic No. 3.**

Number three is a wonderful mascot for Geo. H. Parris, of Cedar Grove, Me., according to a letter which reads: "After suffering much with liver and kidney trouble, and becoming greatly discouraged by the failure to find relief, I tried Electric Bitters, and as a result I am a well man to-day. The first bottle relieved and three bottles completed the cure." Guaranteed best on earth for stomach liver and kidney troubles, by Powell & Powell druggists. 50c.

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Just think of it, a prohibition campaign on and Baird short on water.

The old line life insurance companies are quitting Texas, and they intend that all the world shall know it; note the large head lines in the daily press.

Senator Foraker is confident the negro soldiers did not 'shoot up' Brownsville. By the time Congress convenes next fall he will no doubt be convinced that the 'shoot up' was all a hoax.

Navarro county is another one of the big counties to repudiate prohibition, the discredited child of bleeding Kansas. The county went anti last Saturday by a small majority. The county went pro two years ago by eight hundred majority.

The target rifle is becoming about the most deadly weapon in Texas. The six shooter is not in it with the target. One boy shot and killed another at Abilene Sunday evening did not learn the names of the rifles. If deadly weapons are to be suppressed the target should go.

Just received a copy of the special edition of the Daily Index of May 6th. When special editions are all skinned a mile, we are left with a book of 68 pages, printed on book splendidly illustrated and a beautiful specimen of art. This edition of the Index is a credit to the publishers in Texas and certainly a credit on both the publisher and the city of Mineral Wells.

Many papers say the anti-prohibition banquet at Dallas was a failure. Of course, no one would report from that banquet. James Hayes was sent to Dallas to write it up. If there had been five thousand present at that spread it is doubtful if Col. James Hayes could have counted over two hundred. However, the public does not seem to be much interested in what Bailey does or what his enemies say about him.

The scholastic population of Callahan county, as reported by the enumerators is about 3100 to 3150. Figuring on a basis of 6 1-2 to 1 which the Abilene Reporter says is the correct basis for Taylor county, and probably Callahan, this gives us a population of 20,475 an increase of 12,707 in seven years. The population of Baird has nearly doubled in the same time, yet a lot of pessimists in the town and county, and detractors outside of the county, are waiting because Baird and the county is not keeping up with the other counties in West Texas. Don't worry. Baird and Callahan county are growing steadily, substantially, without any boom or mushroom features. All eyes in the county and county are following.

Merkel surprised all her neighbors last Saturday by defeating the special school tax. They had a 25c tax and proposed to increase it to 50c. The opposition claimed that the increased renditions would be equal to the the proposed increase. While this was sufficient to defeat the tax it will not materhize. Judge Bledso informs us that Capt. McDonald is not running Taylor county and that renditions would be about the same as last year, with possibly a slight increase. As all the progressive towns like Merkel has shown itself to be are making ample provisions for the public schools, the result is the more surprising. It is claimed that only about four and one half months public school can be held next Fall and Winter.

Surely a democrat who would oppose local option after the people have said they want it by 110 majority will have the cheek to ask for an office in this county, surely not. Very few democrats need boring for the simples.—Pro Circular.

Here is a direct threat to knife every democrat who dares exercise his privilege as a citizen in voting as he pleases. The latter part of the above is correct. Few democrats need boring for the simples, but lots of pros do, because they contend that prohibition is a moral not a political question. The above shows that the author of that pro circular knows prohibition is a political question, because he tries to frighten prospective candidates by threatening them with the wrath of the pro vote. Oh! no there is no (?) politics in prohibition. Rats!

The special illustrated edition of the Abilene Reporter last week is one of the best, if not the best special edition ever issued by any local paper in this part of Texas. The edition consists of 38 pages with about 80 illustrations of residences, business houses and scenes of Abilene, and scenes around town and in the country. A complete write up of the county and city of Abilene is given, and in the advertisement department every line of business is represented. The edition is neatly printed, well arranged and a credit to the enterprising publishers and to the people of Abilene, who assisted by their patronage in getting up this splendid special edition.

Our ever present prohibition contest is up before the Court again this week. A petition was presented Monday asking for another local option election. A number of the faithful had been summoned to appear as they did last year to see that the Court should do the proper thing. They insisted that the Court should act on the petition Monday, but the Court refused to be dictated to and postponed action until Saturday. The Court has not forgotten that the pros by undue haste ran the county to several hundred dollars expense in holding the last election, which was declared legal by the Civil Courts, but held void by the Criminal Court of Appeals because ordered three days too soon. The Court would be justified in postponing action until the August term in order to secure legal advice in view of the contradictory decisions of the courts. The law is mandatory only when a petition is presented asking for a local option election when the right is unquestioned. No one will contend that the Commissioners Court would be compelled to act on a petition asking for a local option election before two years had elapsed. Therefore the Court has a right, and they should exercise that right, to investigate the matter before running the county to the expense of holding another election. By August the Court could obtain all information needed and then order the election if satisfied it is legal to do so. All talk

about compelling the Court to act amounts to nothing, provided the Court will set a definite time not unreasonably distant in the future. It would not be unreasonable to set the August term, and by the way, we doubt if the Court could be compelled to act on the petition at this term of court if they refused. The Court has met as a Board of Equalization and it is doubtful if they could be compelled by law to transact any other business if they chose not to do so.

The water works question in Baird may become about as warm as the local option question, and for that reason THE STAR is loath to say anything that would precipitate a heated discussion just now, because the weather is mighty warm to begin it, but the fact remains that Baird is in the middle of a fix about water, and the question is frequently asked why not sell the water works to some one who has capital to enlarge the plant and give the town a better supply of water. What profit is it to the tax payers to pay tax and water rent both and then be out of water so often? A large portion of the people of Baird pay water tax and receive no benefit whatever, except what they may get from the two public water tanks on Market street. If the town has the money the water supply should be increased if possible; if this cannot be done the water works should be sold if a satisfactory sale could be made about fire plugs, considering first of course that the city receives the full value of the plant. There is no doubt but what the water works is the best paying business in town, and if the people should decide to sell the plant, which we do not really expect at this time, the city should receive every dollar it is worth. We believe the business that they already have and what could be secured would justify an investment of fifty thousand dollars in the water plant. A great many people would pay for more water than they now get if the supply was sufficient. Something ought to be done to increase the supply and if the city is unable to do this it is up to the people. THE STAR don't want the plant sold if the people can get the service they are entitled to, but if this can't be done sell the plant to some one who will supply every part of the city with water.

NOTICE.

The Gospel tent will be stretched in about three hundred yards of Mr. John Stewart's home, and those who attend the Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Callahan Baptist Association are requested to take due notice of this fact, and govern themselves accordingly. The Antioch Church will entertain the meeting.

JNO. P. HARDESTY, Missionary.

BAIRD GIN REPAIRS.

W. R. McDermott, Manager for the Baird Gin Co. informs us that the Company is overhauling the machinery, putting in new stands and new machinery where needed and that they expect to be able to gin fifty bales per day next season if the business demands it. Mr. McDermott says they expect with improvements being made to meet every requirement in handling cotton this fall. The ginning business at Baird has grown to such an extent that the Company feel justified in making the improvements necessary to meet the demands of the public.

Mrs. T. B. Hadley, T. B. Hadley, Jr. and Miss Josie Turner visited Mr. Jett Kelsey and family at Winters last week. Miss Armenia Turner, who has been teaching school at Winters, returned home with them.

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Fred Alvord, of Fort Worth, is here.

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County Treasurer W. E. Melton went to Abilene Monday.

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Prof. Green went to Putnam, Tuesday.

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Douglas Stone of Roswell, N. M. is visiting his cousin, J. H. Walker.

Fred Foy, Cale Hall and Jim Terry went to Abilene Monday.

Miss Daisy Powell has returned home from St. Mary's College at Dallas.

Mrs. Marvin Terry, of Baton Rouge, La., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry.

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F. E. Alvord and family left Tuesday for Egypt, Ill., to visit relatives.

Misses Connie Harris and Hattie Griggs, of Admiral, were in town Wednesday.

Mrs. J. C. Jones and little daughter Bonnie Bell, left Sunday for Kentucky to visit relatives.

Master Alten Hinds, of Big Springs, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hinds.

Mrs. B. L. Boydston went to Moran Monday to visit Mrs. J. I. Holland. Mr. Boydston went as far as Cisco with her.

Miss Rosa Neubeaur returned from a visit to friends at Abilene Wednesday. Miss Robbie Davis accompanied her home.

Miss Kate Davidson and Miss Florence Costlow, who have been visiting friends here, returned to their home at Big Springs, Tuesday.

Miss Roma Foy has returned home from Stamford, where she has been teaching a music class.

Miss Mary Malloy, who has been visiting Miss Mary Tisdale, returned to her home at Ferris Monday.

Miss Myrtle Lois Hill has closed her music school and left Tuesday for her home in Trenton, Tennessee.

Miss Lide Spragins, who has been attending Macon-Randolph College at Lynchburg, Va., and Henry Harmon Spragins, who has been attending school at Oxford, Miss., returned home yesterday.

Jack Brawner had his left arm right severely hurt a few days ago while working with an engine in the yards. No bones were broken but he is unable to use his arm.

Misses Mable Miller and Margarite Seals returned home last Saturday from Dallas, where they attended Ursuline Academy. Miss Mable was awarded the gold medal for general excellence.

Miss Mable Tisdale, who is attending the Denton Normal, came home to attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Mildred, to Mr. Joe Harris. Miss Jewell Scott, of Denton, accompanied Miss Mable. They returned to Denton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Phillips were called to Rotan Sunday by the illness of the little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Oris Phillips. A message was received yesterday that the little baby died yesterday morning. We join the many friends here in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones in this hour of sorrow.

Mrs. R. D. Green is visiting at Mineral Wells. Prof. Green will go to Abilene in a day or two to make arrangements to open the Summer Normal at that place Tuesday.

Commissioners Court is in session as a Board of Equalization with all members present. Judge B. L. Russell, Commissioners W. A. Hinds, A. E. Kenrick, J. H. Burnam and C. S. Kennedy. They will be in session all the week and perhaps longer.



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#### SMALLPOX.

Only one case of smallpox so far, Bob Harris, who is getting along all right.

Mr. J. C. Walker, of Putnam, came up Monday to help his son J. H. Walker build a barn and make other repairs.

House building and repairing goes right on in town and carpenters are hard to get, especially to do small jobs.

Our veteran Tax Assessor, T. J. Norrell, with his Deputy, J. E. Gilliland, is attending the session of the Commissioners' Court which is acting as a Board of Equalization this week.

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Dist. Atty. W. P. Mahaffy, of Abilene came down Monday and spent a few hours in town between trains.



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# FROM THE OLD WORLD.

## GALILEE AND NAZARETH.

BY S. J. THOMAS.

A desolation of treeless hills and unwatered valleys stretches from the southern limits of the plain of Damascus to the northern boundary of Galilee, or the Holy Land proper. It is a desert uninhabited save by wandering bands of Bedouins or in an occasional spot where water is found in sufficient quantities to sustain a village. The greater part of the country lying along the route of the railroad is covered with limestone boulders that are often so numerous that they seem to have been sown broadcast by an unseen hand from an unseen source. Sometime a heard of sheep and a lone and lonesome keeper relieve the monotony of the waste; and the sheepfolds of boulders rudely thrown together are its only architecture. Caravan roads, those ruthless highways that have existed unchanged and unimproved since the time of Abraham, wind around the mountains and across the wadies (Arabic for valley) and anon in the distance upon these primitive trails slow moving lines of camels may be seen half hid in the cloud of dust they raise.

The camel is a queer and interesting beast. Grottesque and ludicrous in aspect. As dignified as a judge, as pompous and haughty in front as a king, as humble and retiring as a barn roof behind, with abnormal commissary bumps on his middle and the whole superstructure mounted upon a slender and lofty scaffolding, it is difficult to conceive of nature producing such a freak in any other light than that of a joke. A train of these caricatures seen in the distance have the appearance of a of turtles slowly creeping along on stilts. At closer range the resemble the ostrich. Near at hand when wearing a single bridal rein that drops from the vicinity of his bulging eyes in a loop to the hand of the rider, and chewing his cud, never did a barrister with glasses and chain and complacent mien look more judicial than this philosopher of the desert.

At Darat fifty miles out from Damascus, during a delay caused by a change of engines, a party of us started toward a mud town about half a mile distant, which we are informed was the capital of the old district of Bashan, noted in the Bible for its bulls. On the way we encountered several detachments of camel trains bringing wheat from the mud village to the railroad for shipment. We held up a section of this transportation line and compelled a wee bit of an Arab who was in charge to convey us back to the station. The ride was a unique experience. The camel has often been called the ship of the desert, and he has all the motions of a vessel at sea, and I actually believe that sea sickness would follow a long ride by a novice. Arriving at the station platform, we disembarked in an interesting and novel manner. At a signal from the driver and a jerk at the halter, the camels each in turn dropped to their knees and proceeded to fold up like a knife until they were settled in a bundle on the ground, and we could step off easily from their hurricane decks.

At Darat the great Haji road, which the railroad follows from Damascus, veers off to the left and proceeds to Mecca. This is the route taken once a year by devout Mohammedans who desire to visit the birthplace of the prophet, and the pilgrimage always begins at "the heel of the prophet" in Damascus.

The railroad ran into the mountains shortly after leaving Darat and be-

gan a circuitous descent toward the valley of the Jordan and the plain of Jezreel. For a distance of fifty miles the scenery was as grand as any in the Rockies of America. Picturesque hills seemed to come down from the stars, with every blemish hidden under a cloak of richest green, to riot in a wild and weird magnificence of color and shadow and water and sun. Gorges dark and threatening complaining violently at our intrusion and the solemn echoes rolled along the mountains like the lamentations of the lost. The muddy Yarmuk foamed and fretted in its channel far below the train and was the active feature of the landscape. Not a tree nor a shrub interrupted the graceful drapery in which the mountains were clad and when these emerald cloaks were thrown back, as often they were, fantastic formations in stone were exposed, decorations that were cut by the chisels of weather and exquisite designs of strata not unlike the friezes and bas reliefs of the world's oldest and best sculpture.

After executing all kinds of loops and bow-knots, threading impassable mountains like a needle, the train drops by circuitous gradients to the level of the stream. Then the mountains throw open their doors, the echoes are quieted and the train muffles its querulous din to a respectful undertone as it approaches the most hallowed spot and the most beautiful site in the Orient. The hills, recumbent, venerable, sedate, are grouped around an esplanade where nature displays her charms of color and design to splendid effect. A river in boisterous travail of the northern snows, creamed with the alluvium of the Jezreel plain, and bending with the grace of the curving swards sinks into a noiseless channel and a sea is born in the cradling lap of the mountains. It is Galilee, child of the Jordan, noted in sacred story and teeming with sacred memories. The evening sun throws back upon it a shower of adieus from yonder ridge and then leaves it for the night to the care of the enfolding hills. So intent are we upon the splendid scene and prospect that we do not stop to take notice of the disreputable mud town that hangs like a barnacle of disgrace on the green bank nor of the sloven aborigines who seek to sell their dirks and cigarette boxes as souvenirs of the holy place. But with hurried accord we flock to the pier and to the boats that are tethered there upon the pretty loch in the hush of the twilight.

The more timorous take passage in the steamboat, the only vessel of that character on the lake, while the rest of us are provided with skiffs, after the manner, we imagine, of the craft of Peter and Zebedee's children, the trio of Jews who once ran a fishing business here in partnership. (Luke v, 10.) The oarsmen of our little boat are three swarthy Mohammedan lads and a gray veteran who acts as manager and baksheesh collector, all of them diked out in their best clothes in honor of our visit. It is worthy of mention, too, and should be handed down in history, that their feet are washed clean and their toe-nails manicured and shining like polished tortoise shell. When we are well out upon the waters and the boat is rising and falling with the rhythmic inflections of the waves and the oars are splashing with uniform melody, the Arab boatmen begin to sing in their native tongue, the grave old gentleman on the prow of the boat hymning line after line

and the lads chiming in after each verse with the chorus: He-ya mana la-ya man." I have one of the boys, the most intelligent of the lot, to write the chorus in Arabic characters in my notebook, and afterward it is translated by our dragoman into these splendid words: "Those who believe in God will be saved." The words of the song are not intelligible to us, but the melody is of no mean order. At its conclusion our own party filled through and through with the aptness of the tune, break into song and the hills catch up the refrain and repeat it in musical echoes:

Oh, Galilee, sweet Galilee,

Come sing thy song again to me.

In the gathering darkness, with every noted sight out of view, the episodes and incidents of early Christian history, so many of which occurred on the shores of this beautiful lake, seem to come to us like winged angles from those vague and distant times, and are almost as distinct as a present and visual reality. Did the Christ, upheld by an unseen hand, walk upon these waters when they threatened His disciples? I was here that the demonstration of His divinity was made. Did the disciples grow weary and disheartened in their efforts to land a lunch of fish from the water? It was here that the Christ supplemented their weakness with His omnipotence. Did the Great Teacher grow tired in His humanity when the needy and astonished throngs sought His services continually? It was here upon the bosom of this lake that He found the succor of privacy and rest. In this vicinity the ministry of Christ developed the majority of his miracles and called out most of the philosophy and doctrines that gave to the world a new religion.

It was dark when we landed at the city of Tiberias, after a sail of six miles. In a monastery of the Greek church, one of the few clean and airy buildings of the town, we found lodging for the night. There is an Arab proverb to the effect that the king of fleas holds his court at Tiberias, and I had by the merest scratch the displeasure of meeting this sovereign or some of his numerous retinue that night.

Tiberias has a population of 8,000 and is the only survivor of the numerous cities that existed around Galilee in the time of Christ. It was founded by Herod Antipas, the tetrarch of Galilee as a pleasure resort, and his palace was its principal feature. His brother Phillip had built a city and called it after the daughter of Caesar, and Herod in a spirit of greater servility built this one and called it after Caesar himself. During its construction a Jewish cemetery was disturbed and for that reason no Jews would ever live in or enter the city. Christ himself never visited it though most of His life was spent in its vicinity. Herod was a dissolute old wretch and among his many improper acts he conceived an attachment for Herodias his sister-in-law, though he was married at the time to an attractive daughter of an Arab sheik. The law would not permit a second marriage, but he brought the woman, with her consent into his home, never-the-less, whereupon his wife indignately packed her wardrobe and returned to her father's home in the mountains. The old sheik gathered his clans and made war upon Herod, pressing his army so close that he was forced to move to his castle at Macherus on the Dead Sea. At this juncture John the Baptist in his open air sermons took Herod severely to task for his adultery. Herod, himself cared little for the criticism, but Herodias demanded John's arrest, and Salome, her daughter, requested and secured his head. An interesting sequel to this story is to the effect that Salome married a Roman general who was afterwards transfer-

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red to Spain, and that while skating on the ice of a river there, she fell through and her head was severed from her body by the sharp edges of the ice. I do not know whether this story is true or not, but I hope it is.

I stood in the early morning on the pier that juts into the lake at Tiberias, in company with several ladies, and among a number of Arabs of both sexes who had been fishing and were bringing in the results of their operations. The fish caught by the party were of uniform size and weight, and were dumped on the pier in a palping mound several feet high. This was the city market and in a short time the last of the fish were disposed of to purchasers who came for them in throngs. The scales used were a primitive affair, and the weights were rocks of different sizes. The morning was damp and exceedingly chilly. The natives had their heads swathed in an abundance of cloth and their bodies were wrapped comfortably enough, but their shins and feet were bare. Presently a stalwart Arab removed his headgear and laid it aside, then untied his sash and dropped it, and was in the act of taking off the only remaining garment, when it occurred to our ladies that it was time to return to the hotel. We had scarcely turned our backs when the scalawag stood exposed and unabashed in the presence of the women and children of his kind and then plunged into the water.

Tiberias is a typical Arab and Turkish town, that is, it is unclean, offensive, nasty and abominable; and the inhabitants are about as low in the scale of civilization as mankind or apes ever get (with apologies to the apes). It was a supreme delight to leave the fetid streets and to embark in row-boats upon the pure bosom of the waters and under skies which the degradation of man cannot contaminate. Directly across on the opposite side, in the edge of a desert place, is the locality where Jesus fed the 5,000, while the throng sat upon the grass and wondered at the multiplication of the menu. To the right are the hills where the swine, inoculated with the devils of

the Gadarene lunatic, ran down into the sea and were chocked and perhaps drowned.

To the left through a depression in the basin Mount Hermon white with snow from summit to base and forty miles away, is visible. A mass of ruins on the northern slope where the mountains once retired to give place to a great city is all that is left of Capernaum, the home of Christ when he lived by the sea. Verily the curse that he pronounced upon it for its infidelity and wickedness, has been literally fulfilled: "It had been more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for Capernaum." Bethsaida and Chorazin have completely vanished, without a wreck or ruin to tell the story of their desolation. The home of Mary Magdalene were better entirely extinct than to have declined to the level to which the Bedouins have brought it now. As we cruised from point to point it seemed somehow unreal and as if we were in a mystic barque in fancyland. And yet the stirring scenes on the frontier of Christianity assumed a reality that we had never known before, and it was not hard to rehabilitate the dead cities and people them with the cosmopolitan throngs of the gospel. It was a consoling thought, too, that while squalor and superstition had violated most of the sacred places of the Holy Land, virgin Galilee has not surrendered her unsullied chastity. No tawdry chapel can soil her crystal purity and no idolatry can set up a rival for ignorant devotees to scrap over.

Lake Galilee is thirteen miles long four to six miles wide and 680 feet below the sea level. In the summer the atmosphere becomes very humid at times, and the rapid evaporation is the cause of sudden squalls such as came upon the disciples when Jesus was taking a nap "in the hinder part of a ship on a pillow." (Mark iv, 38) We had an experience with a squall when we were preparing to leave the lake of Nazareth. Melchizedek (such was our abbreviation of the unpronounceable jointed name of our dragoman) had provided hacks and teams for our conveyance, (Continued on next page.)

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(Concluded.)

had filled them and were waiting for pleasure to go. The company stores had been delayed somehow. Presently they appeared and Melchizedek and another son of Esau at once went into a state of eruption. Red hot sulphurous Arabic flew thick and fast; they shook each other and all but came to blows; they screamed and grew red in the face; and it was apparent that one of them would soon draw a deadly knife and plunge the blade deep into the other's vitals. Every man in the party jumped out and ran to separate them, and then they broke into loud laughter, and Melchizedek explained that they were not mad, and were not even quarreling, but only consulting as to the proper vehicle in which to store the provisions. That's the Arab's way. I have seen them fuss to the ragged edge of murder many times, but never yet have I seen them fight. The two Arabs were at least 680 feet below the level of civilization and the evaporation of what little sense they had caused the flurry.

It is six hours from Tiberias to Nazareth. Distance in the east is computed by time and not by lineal measurement, and time is regulated by the donkey, whose gait is as regular as the swing of the pendulum. The ascent of the mountain overhanging Galilee consumed two hours time during which one of our vehicles overturned, horses, hack and four Catholic priests executed a complete somersault without an injury or scratch, but which developed another trapezoid of words between Melchizedek and the driver, which was worse. The soil of Galilee is a rich mucilaginous loam, of chocolate color and as fertile as the delta of the Nile. The natives tickle it with a caricature they call a plow, and it smiles with a rippling wealth of grain. A view of a Galilee landscape in the spring is charming—the valleys veritable hanging gardens of green and brown the mountains velvet covered, the supports from which they swing, and the whole irregular undulating surface literally covered with white and crimson anemones, the scriptural lilies of the valley. In the midst of this scape of chromatic fields, of emerald cones and devious vales and glades the Mount of Beatitudes rises superbly.

I have seen cathedrals until I am sick of the very name—they are so frightfully melancholy and oppressive, so lugubrious and sepulchral so suggestive of the tomb. What a relief it was to stand in God's own cathedral in Galilee, with its nave of light and transept of flowers, its dome the outstretched canopy of the sky, its incense the swinging cups of the lilies of the valley, its light the golden radiant sun, and its floor spread with a carpet from invisible looms. From a pulpit here Jesus spoke the incomparable sermon on the mount, a deliverance in which there is more condensed wisdom than in any that ever fell from the lips of man.

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## HOUSE BUILT BY BLIND MEN.

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Two totally blind men have built a house for themselves at Berkeley, Cal., doing all the carpenter work themselves without any assistance whatever.

It is a coincidence that both these men are named Joseph—Joseph Brown and Joseph Martinez. The house, according to Popular Mechanics, is of the popular bungalow type, one and a half stories high and constructed entirely of wood. It is 18 feet wide by 25 feet long.

As the builders are sightless the work necessarily progressed slowly. From early morning until frequently long after sunset the two men toiled patiently at their task. The shades of night did not hinder the work, for noonday and midnight are equally dark to them and out of the blackness came the song of the saw and the blows of the hammer to passersby, who heard but saw no workmen.

From day to day the work has been curiously watched by crowds, including many carpenters. The general work is pronounced as good as that performed by many builders who are blessed with perfect eyesight.

Brown and Martinez were not blind from their birth, but were deprived of their sight many years ago. They were door to door peddlers for many years and managed in the course of time to accumulate snug sums of money that were wisely deposited in bank. At the time of the great fire in San Francisco these men lost everything save their little bank accounts.

Recently they pooled their holdings, purchased a small lot in Berkeley and some lumber. They then set to work resolutely and have built themselves a house.

## VERMONT'S QUARRIES.

Out of the massive marble hills of Vermont has been wrought by labor and skill, a part of the nation's wealth. Some years ago, it was a common statement that as much money had been lost in the marble business as had been made in it, but this is no longer the case; for, although the testing and developing of a quarry is a heavy expense, the business is now on a stable basis. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been sunk in efforts to obtain a marble quarry, and the chief expense is still labor. A quarry differs from a gold mine in that, however good the product may be, it merely offers an opportunity to produce stone on a paying basis, and on a relatively small margin of profit. In some quarries a royalty of five cents per cubic foot is paid to the owner of the land for the merchantable marble that is taken away.—National Magazine.

## NO RULES FOR SUCCESS.

There is no such thing as a single, particular proposition in business, says a writer in Everybody's. No doubt this was always true in a measure; but it becomes more inclusively, more vitally, true every day with the increasing coordination of business. The whole business web knits ever closer, and each particular concern is bound more tightly in it. What other people do reacts more quickly than formerly upon your own affairs. A martial blast sounded in Buenos Ayres blew some very peaceful Boston gentlemen out of Union Pacific. Stockholders in Kansas banks got better dividends because some Russian grand dukes wanted war with Japan. The peculiar operations of the ducal brain cells made wheat higher. Who will pretend that he can reason out what a grand duke is going to do?

## IN THE FAR FUTURE.

A male professor of physical culture has been telling how women should dress in order to secure perfect freedom in limbs and lungs, which is the secret of health. She should never be conscious that she

has any clothes on, he says, and he condemns all garments, under or outer, which may be described as two-piece. In short, he says in plain terms that women should not wear more than two—certainly not more than three—garments, each of which should be in one piece. It can scarcely be imagined what the effect of toilettes made after this fashion would be, but it is hardly to be expected that there will be a movement in favor of the sack costume.

## A VAGUE RECOLLECTION.

"Of course," said the deep thinker, "you've read of Apollo in the mythology of the ancient Romans—"

"Sure you ain't gettin' names confused?" interrupted Dumley.

"What? Certainly not. Apollo was the sun god, who—"

"Well, I always thought he came from Belvidere, N. J."

## THE WASTED WITTICISM.

"I always thought," said the hostess, "that Scotchmen were humorous. Last night I showed a departing Scotch guest a great pile of overcoats in the dressing-room."

"Here," I said, with a wave of my hand, "you are the first to leave. Take your choice."

"Thank you," said he, as he fumbled searching among them, "I'll ave me own."

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Our fine Indian elephant Gunda has not only grown stouter and taller, but he has also developed in intelligence and sagacity in a manner that is bound to make him famous. The greatest care has been exercised with his training, food and everyday life, and thus far it appears to be labor wisely expended. If actions speak for themselves, he appreciates the attention bestowed upon him. In numerous ways he indicates his complete satisfaction as to his bill of fare and the kindness of the keepers. He kneels at command, salutes, shakes hands and has lately become a banker. Some of the devious methods he employs in his particular bank indicate that there will be serious trouble unless he mends his ways.

If one throws a penny on the floor he picks it up and drops it into the box above his head, after which he rings a bell with his trunk. Then he looks for a reward. If it is not forthcoming, in the shape of forage biscuits or peanuts, he rings the bell until it does come.

It was soon apparent that, although the deposits were heavy, there was also a correspondingly heavy shortage. Upon inspecting the books it was learned that the teller dropped the cent into the box, but afterward very deftly picked it out and put it on the floor until a visitor came along, when he went through the form of dropping it in again and ringing the bell. To prevent this fraud small staples were driven in the bottom of the box so that the penny fell between them. He simply elongated the tiny tip at the end of his trunk and therewith lifted the cent. It was only by using long nails in place of the staples that the trick was prevented.—New York Zoological Society Bulletin.

## HE FOUND A DOG.

In returning to his home one night last fall along a lonely highway, a lad in western Missouri was approached by an animal he took to be a dog. He whistled it up and patted it and it followed him home, rubbing against his legs now and then on the way.

He shut the lost dog up in the barn before entering the house, and a few minutes later his father went out to have a look and was almost frightened to death.

The "dog" turned out to be a panther that had escaped from a circus a month before, and he was held until the owner could send for him. The boy still wants a dog if anyone has one to spare, but not that kind. They growl too much and show their teeth too often.



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### MARRIED.

Mr. Joe Harris, of Admiral and Miss Mildred Tisdale, of Baird, were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tisdale, Sunday at 8:30 p. m. Rev. S. A. Bryant officiating. Miss Tisdale is one of Bairds most worthy young ladies, teacher in our public schools for quite a while. The groom is a nephew of R. J. Harris, of Admiral, and worthy of the bride he has won. THE STAR joins the friends of the young people in extending congratulations and good wishes for their happiness.

The young folks left on the night train for Denver and other points in Colorado and on their return will make Fort Worth their home.

### W. O. W. Unveiling.

The W. O. W. monument over the grave of Will Prew was unveiled at Clyde Sunday evening at 2 o'clock by the Hagie Cave Camp. There was a large attendance of Woodmen from all over the county, and the Baird Citizens Band led the parade. Hon. Kirby from Abilene delivered a splendid address and the Clyde Quartette rendered some fine vocal selections.

R. L. Clemer, of Putnam, was in town Tuesday.

Phil Yost, of Tecumseh, was in town the first of the week.

Miss Inez Franklin left Sunday for Fort Worth to attend Nelsons Draughts Business College.

Mr. and Mrs. Gottfreyhar, of Fort Worth, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Nitschki.

Mayor C. D. Russell returned Monday night from a trip to Rotan and other points near there. He says crops are fine out west.

W. T. Clifton, of Cottonwood, was in town a few days ago, and had his name enrolled on THE STAR'S subscription books.

Bose Ivey took the train Monday for the west. He was going to Lubbock County by stage from Big Springs.

Little Miss Evalyn Johnson returned last Saturday from a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Frost at Santo.

Basil Graham, who left Baird some months ago to work in a machine shop at Waycross, Ga., returned this week.

### MASONIC NOTICE.

Baird Chapter No. 182 R. A. M. meets tomorrow night, Friday June 21st. Election of officers. All members are requested to attend.

Baird Lodge No. 522 A. F. & A. M. meets Saturday night next. Annual election of officers. Every member should be present.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the P. O. at Baird, Texas, for the week ending June 1, 1907. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

Bailey, Geo. Cook, W. H.  
Frenchie, Mrs. Harris, Walter  
Long, O. F. Stuckey, O. F.  
Williams, Tom Wright, Roe  
Jones, Jno. W.

Letters remaining unclaimed for week ending June 8, 1907.

Anderson, E. B. Bailey, Geo. 2  
Crews, W. H. Frankling Chas.  
Tucker, Clarence Wilkens, Guy

Letters remaining unclaimed for the week ending June 15.

Adkins, Lee; Brooks, Ethel V.;  
Charles, Mrs. Alice; Hawk, J. S.;  
McEully, G. N.; Nunn, Jno. W.;  
Sterling, H. C.; Smith, Tom

J. V. McMANIS, Act. P. M.

### CORN FOR SALE.

2000 bushels of white corn for sale. CHAS. HADLEY. 29-21.

### CLUBBING RATES.

THE STAR and Dallas News one year, \$1.75.

THE STAR and Houston Post one year, \$1.75.

THE STAR and Fort Worth Record one year, \$1.75.

### Teachers Examinations.

To County Superintendents: The law provides that examinations for teachers' certificates shall be held "if necessary" by the county board of examiners on the first Friday and the Saturday following of the months of May, July, August, September and December of each year.

The next county examination will be on July 5 and 6, the examinations in the first series of summer normal institutes will be on July 10, 11, and 12, and in the second series of summer normal institutes on July 31, August 1 and 2. There will be county examinations on September 6 and 7, and on December 5, 6 and 7. There will be no county examinations in the month of August, for the reason that the other examinations render a county examination during said month unnecessary.

You will please give publicly through your county press to the date of the examinations and to the fact that there will be no August county examination.

Issued by authority of Section 27, Chapter 125, Acts of Twenty-ninth Legislature. Respectfully,

R. B. COUSINS,  
State Suprsintendent.

Mrs. August Horn, after spending several months in Fort Worth, has returned to Baird.

Mr. H. W. Ross, who has been absent in Missouri for several weeks was expected home last night.

### A TRIBUTE.

"One by one we are gathering home." Our friend and neighbor, Wm. McManis, has passed away to rest forever from his labors, and his works do follow him. This faithful friend, kind neighbor, loving husband and father now dwells in realms of cloudless sky and never fading flowers. His useful, patient, self-sacrificing life has better fitted him for the larger life he has entered. We can ill spare him, it is true, but he has left behind for us the memory of many noble qualities that will make us better for having been his associates. While we mourn our loss, let us rejoice in his gain. Heaven is richer by taking him home. He is not dead, but sleepeth. Some day, sometime, our hand shall clasp his hand over in that beautiful land, where the angels live among splendors that ear hath not heard, that eye hath not seen nor mind of man hath conceived. His mission on earth is ended. Let us cherish his memory, and emulate his good deeds. He leaves behind an influence for purity and goodness that will live eternally. He was kind and true to his fellow man, and revered God.

To you, my dear bereaved ones, let me say, we sympathize with you in your loss, for you loved him too, so let us look up exercising the faith manifested in the life of our friend, husband and father, submitting to the will of our Lord and Master, knowing that He doeth all things well. Thank God, this separation is not forever. Soon we will see him again.

"Call not back the dear departed,  
Anchored safe where storms are  
o'er;

On the border land we left him,  
Soon to meet and part no more,  
When we leave this world of changes  
When we leave this world of care,  
We shall find our missing loved ones  
In our Father's mansion fair."

A FRIEND.

### From Fort Worth Record

John Jay, a well known engineer on the T. & P., was fined \$500 in the County Court at Weatherford, Thursday, on a charge of negligent homicide. Jay was in charge of the engine that ran into and killed John Clower, his wife and little girl last fall at the Fort Worth Street crossing.

You can have your baby buggy refitted with rubber tires. 29-41 City Shoeing Shop.

### MARRIED.

Mr. W. C. Stone, of Denton, and Miss Alice McMurry, of Putnam, were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McMurry, Wednesday morning, June 12, 1907, at 9:30, Rev. R. E. L. Statts performing the ceremony. —Putnam News.

### DEATHS.

Cathrine, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Snyder died early yesterday morning after a brief illness. The remains were interred in the City Cemetery this morning. The parents have the sincere sympathy of all in the loss of their little babe.

Bro. Meador received a letter yesterday announcing the death of Mrs. E. M. Conger, formerly of Baird. Mrs. Conger died in Ellis County last Saturday.

Joe Burkett, publisher of the Putnam News, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office last Friday. Mr. Burkett speaks encouragingly of the outlook for Putnam and The News. THE STAR wishes The News success under the new manager, who has made considerable improvements in the appearance of The News.

A fine rain fell at Baird yesterday but seems to have been only a local shower. It rained hard for a few minutes and then slowly for an hour. It rained again last night, and has been raining a little today. It is hoped the rain will become general as the clouds appear thick and heavy. The north branch near town was running late yesterday evening.

### OBITUARY.

Clarence Hollis, son of Ben and Minnie Hollis, was born Feb. 20th, 1906.

He was received by his parents as the dawning of a bright summer morning, and was looked upon with a happy expectation of the future but just when all seemed brightest and his parents were looking forward with fondest hope and brightest anticipation, Death claimed him as its victim.

His stay here was short, but long enough to become a light and flower of the home, but, Alas! the joy and gladness he brought to the home, was soon turned to sorrow and mourning by the ruthless hand of death.

He has gone where the effect of his departure has left in the home can never come—sorrow and grief.

All that kind friends could do was done to prolong his life but on the morning of May 31st, 1907, at 11:30 a. m. grim death summoned the angles who had been hovering near, and very tenderly bore him up and wafted his little soul into his heavenly home.

While they miss his loving presence and sweet voice and the little prattle of his feet, they know he is walking the golden streets in heaven.

Dear Papa and Mamma, do not grieve for your loved darling, for the little form you loved so well has gone to make heaven brighter.

Look upward and strive hard to follow where his little spirit is calling you.

God grant that the memory of little Clarence may draw us all close to Thee. He was layed to rest in the Cottonwood Cemetery on the morning of June 1, 1907.

FRANCES COATS.

### PERMIT IS FORFEITED, AND IT IS FINED \$1,623,000.

The verdict of the jury in the suit against the Waters-Pierce Oil Company is a great victory for Attorney General Davidson and his able assistants. It is a finding based upon two main facts now uppermost in the minds of intelligent Texans—that this corporation secured permission to re-enter Texas through misrepresentation and fraud, and that it is and has been all along a part of the Standard Oil Trust. Considering the abuse, misrepresentation and desperate opposition, both in the court house and out of the court house, which the Attorney General's office has had to encounter, the verdict is the more gratifying and assuring to those who stand opposed to the power and money of this great monopoly.

There is a report to the effect that Mr. Pierce is already prepared to reorganize again and re-enter the Texas field as the deadly enemy of Standard Oil Company; but there is good reason to believe that he will find it a deal more difficult than he found it when he played this trick before. Neither will he find it easy to turn his hand and take the penalty of \$1,623,000 out of the pockets of the consumers of oil, as this has been done in other instances, seeing that the verdict carries with it a forfeiture of the company's permit to do business in Texas.

Of course the case will be appealed, and the finding may be reversed as the defendant has been represented by able counsel bent in their purpose to find opportunities of that sort, but much has been accomplished, whatever the delays and failures in the courts may amount to. The jury has found, upon the facts, that this is not a legitimate trading corporation; that it is a part of one of the most corrupt and tyrannical of the trusts by which the liberties of the people are threatened; and the people, reading the testimony as well as the verdict, have had the moral as well as the legal and political phases of the controversy opened wide to them, and are now firmly fixed in their conclusions and purposes thus assuring the continuous growth of the determination to rid themselves of this sort of master for all time to come.—Dallas News.

### EXCURSION RATES.

"Account Fourth of July celebrations, round trip tickets to all points in Texas, will be on sale July 3rd and 4th, at rate of one and one third fare, limited to return July 6th June 24th and 25th, round trip tickets will be on sale to New Orleans La. rate one fare plus \$2.00. Return July 2nd.

June 25th and 26th, round trip tickets will be on sale to Wills Point rate one and one third fare. Return limit July 1st.

June 1st to Sept. 30th, round trip tickets will be on sale to Cloudercroft, N. M. at rate of \$22.05. Return limit Oct. 31st.

A. L. TISDALE, Agt.