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McELROY DRY GOODS CO. BUY BOWLUS BLDG.

McElroy Dry Goods Company have bought the W. L. Bowlus brick business house on the west side of Market Street, which has been occupied by Bowlus & Bowlus furniture store. The building is being newly furnished inside and the McElroy Dry Goods Company stock will be moved from the Terrell building to the new location just as soon as the work on the building is finished.

The Bowlus stock of furniture has been moved across the street to the Bowlus Hardware store and the two business consolidated, the owners being W. G. Bowlus, Sr., and his son, W. L. Bowlus. W. L. Bowlus will be in charge of the business and will be assisted in the work by his wife, and brother, Grant Bowlus, Jr. This consolidation gives Baird one of the nicest and most complete furniture and hardware stocks to be found in this section. Call in and see them.

DIST. PRESIDENT OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY HERE SUNDAY

Mr. Huie Tucker of Abilene, District President of the Christian Endeavor Society, will visit the Endeavor Society here next Sunday afternoon. All members are urged to be present at 6:00 o'clock to hear Mr. Tucker's address.

Cotton Report

We are indebted to B. L. Russell, Jr., cotton census enumerator for Callahan county for the following report of cotton ginned in Callahan county: 10,479 bales up to Jan. 16, 1929 as compared with 7,972 same period last year.

Baird High School Annual Under Way

The Baird High School annual is well under headway. The students are very much in favor of the annual.

Mr. Dallas came down and stayed all of last week to take the students pictures to go in the annual. Almost all of the students responded and had their pictures taken. We are very proud of the way the student body backs all that they think is for the benefit of the school.

There has been an annual sold to almost every high school student, and those who have not purchased one have agreed to do so in the next few days. There will be one sold to every one in high school before we will be satisfied.

We have also sold several annuals out of the school, and have the promise of several more. If any person wants one they can see me about it, and I will see that one is ordered for them. The price of our annual is \$2.50 which is very low compared to the price other schools have charged.

The Baird High School Senior class is going to put on a senior play, which is advertised in this paper in another place. This play is to be for the benefit of the annual. We think that we have two hours of the best and cleanest entertainment that you can buy. The date for staging has not been decided but it will be in the next few weeks, you can watch The Star, as we will announce the date, later.

The people of this town know what a senior play is, it is the last year for the seniors and they want to serve their town for the last time the best way that they can.

Don't forget to buy an annual and to watch for the more definite announcement about the play.

Weldon Varner
Business Mgr. of Annual.

Mrs. M. J. Holmes spent the week end with relatives in Abilene.

George Biggerstaff of Putnam, was a business visitor in Baird Tuesday. Miss Jeffe Lambert spent the week end in Cisco, with her sister, Mrs. R. Q. Evans.

Mrs. Homer D. Driskill returned Monday evening from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Geo. E. Simons in Okmulgee, Okla.



M. A. JENKINS ADDRESS BAIRD LIONS CLUB

Although the official publicity Lion was out of town on the 17th and unfortunately missed one of the best programs of the year, reports indicate that the young ladies from McMurry College made quite a hit with their readings, songs and violin selections. On the 24th Rev. M. A. Jenkins who is conducting the meeting here at the Baptist Church, was the speaker of the day and his remarks on the subject "The Proper Balance in Life" gave those present much thought for consideration. His talk was appreciated and was an inspiration to the club. Last Thursday night seven of the Baird Lions attended the Banquet given at the Hilton Hotel by the Abilene Club in honor of Ben. A. Ruffin, International President. Twenty seven towns were represented at this meeting and about 400 people were present. Those attending from here were: H. H. Shaw, Ben L. Russell Jr., S. L. McElroy, Sheriff Hughes, W. C. White, H. M. Dudley and James Asbury.

WELCOMES PROBE STATES JUDGE ELY

Dictating a statement after hearing read the charges made against the highway department for alleged misconduct, W. R. Ely of Abilene, state highway commissioner, yesterday welcomed a proposed investigation of the department's affairs.

His statement follows:

"I am very happy to have the legislature make the investigation, inasmuch as these charges have been made for the past several months. The people are entitled to know the truth, and the proponents of the resolution to investigate these charges are commended, so far as I am concerned, for their patriotic zeal in what they deem best for the public welfare.

"I trust there will be no delay on the part of the committee in getting down to work, to the end that the public may know the baseness of these or any other charges reflecting on the efficiency or integrity of the department, so that real worthwhile effort may be made by the legislature to secure adequate financing for the ensuing biennium, that the program for the greatest financing for the ensuing biennium, that the program for the greatest era of highway construction ever undertaken by any state may be carried on." -Abilene Reporter.

CALLAHAN CO. OIL NEWS MEMBERS OF BAIRD C. OF C. VISITS CLYDE

BY CLAUDE FLORES
BAIRD SHALLOW FIELD Jan. 30, Moutray 1929—Moutray Oil Company, Ace Hickman No. 35, drilling at 1300 feet on deep test—300 acre lease, south east corner, section 146, BBB & C.

L. A. Warren, South Hearn estate, No. 6, drilling at 300 feet located three locations from the west side of 50 acre lease, section 129, south west corner.

Moving rig on Rod Kelton on the old J. P. Flores survey in center of south side, just north of the old Belle Plain town site.

Moutray Oil Company, P. G. & Bill Hatchett, No. 13, was put on the pump the first of the week and is making from 15 to 25 barrels per day.

GERMANY IS EXCITED OVER NEW OIL GUSHER

Peine, Lower Saxony, Jan. 12, 1929.—An oil gusher producing 10 tons of oil within one hour here, when the drill penetrated 1600 feet, the pressure of gas suddenly caused the oil to spout to a height of 60 feet and in such a volume that an emergency dam had to be quickly constructed. This flow of oil soon stopped, but immediately began again when drilling was resumed.

An oil gusher was something of a sensation in this part of the country—where nothing similar had ever been seen. Mining engineers considered the prospects excellent for further oil wells in the district.

WORLD'S LARGEST DAM

Calcutta—Loyd dam, largest in the world, was completed at Khatgar, after 15 years work.

ACE HICKMAN LAKE

George Richardson has recently finished a large lake on the Ace Hickman ranch located at the foot of the Cove Mountain, east of the oil field. The lake covers 19 3-3 acres. The dam is 29 feet high. It will hold from 12 to 35 feet of water. The dam is ripped with rock from the mountain near by.

JACK FLORES TANK

George Richardson finished a tank on the Jack Flores ranch west of Belle Plain on the Coleman highway last week. The dam is 14 1-2 feet high and will hold 14 feet of water. The tank covers a little less than an acre.

Jack Flores has just finished a wolf proof fence around 253 acres.

PROHIBITION

An authority announced over the radio the first of the week—that there were more patients in Kelley Cure Sanitarium to day than in the past fifteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Yantis of Abilene visited the Misses Seale on the Seale ranch Sunday.

Judge B. L. Russell, H. M. Dudley, Evan Barker and H. Schwartz, represented the Baird Chamber of Commerce at the Annual Banquet of the Clyde organization last Friday night and report a very pleasant evening. Baird is always willing and anxious to co-operate with the neighboring towns and cities and these visits are always profitable to both sides.

Callahan County Tourney Dates Set Feb. 8-9

Eight basketball teams of Callahan county are slated to settle their championship February 8 and 9, dates set for their tournament at one of the Abilene gymnasiums, according to Rev. Morris, Clyde, County director of athletics.

Teams which will compete are Clyde, Eula, Denton, Oplin, Putnam, Baird, Cross Plains and Colony. Girls teams will also play a tournament at the same time, but their competition does not go beyond the county. The winner of the boys' meet will enter the district tournament at Roby two weeks later.

Rufus Hyden Simmons University athlete, will referee the boys' games. Clyde Enterprise.

BABY GIRL OF REV. AND MRS. W. E. HAMILTON, DIES AT DALHART

T. E. Powell received a message on Thursday evening of last week conveying the news of the death of the little two year old daughter, Helen, of Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Hamilton at their home in Dalhart. Mrs. Hamilton and both of the children have been ill for several weeks. Mrs. Hamilton was formerly Miss Verna Miller, of Baird. Many friends in Baird extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Billy Wright, who finished High School at mid-term, will enter McMurry College at the beginning of the second semester, next Monday. Goston Wylie also finished at mid-term, but we have not learned where he will attend school.

Carl Haley, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the T & P Hospital at Marshall a few days ago, is reported doing nicely.

BAIRD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET TO NIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK

The Annual Banquet of the Chamber of Commerce is to be held tonight at 8:00 o'clock and preparations have been made to take care of one of the largest meetings ever held by the organization. The program will be short and snappy and only one local speaker will be on the program. Judge James Stinson of Abilene will be one of the main speakers. The committee had not reported when we went to press as to whom the other speaker will be.

A special "feed" has been arranged by the Quality Cafe and it is rumored that the menu will contain the listing of "Roast Pig" and all the trimmings. Owing to the fact the organization desired to have as many business

houses and professions as possible represented on this occasion it was necessary to hold a stag meet on this date as the hall would not accommodate more than 125 diners at one time and the usual ladies night was called off. The merchants this year have been very willing to help raise the necessary budget and although there are several that the committee has not been able to get around to, President Hickman is well pleased with the work of the committee. The organization is starting active work on some of the main problems at once and although it will take considerable time to get some of them put over nothing will be left undone until they are accomplished.

MAYOR SCHWARTZ DELIVERS MESSAGE TO CITY COUNCIL

Last night at a regular meeting of the city council Mayor Schwartz delivered a message incorporating many constructive and progressive suggestions which he hoped would have the immediate attention of this city management. The mayor advocated immediate action for the collection of delinquent taxes, the payment of several debts now outstanding and especially the smaller accounts that might be handled at this time.

Owing to the numerous reports of accidents and deaths of Volunteer Firemen during the past year, Mayor Schwartz pleaded for the rigid enforcement of the traffic laws during fires. "The boys who risk their lives voluntarily for the sake of other people's property and lives should have all the protection possible," said the Mayor. He suggested that a general clean up campaign be launched immediately and the town and streets be kept in a much cleaner condition. Baird has always been a clean town compared with other towns its size, but there is room for much improvements and the citizens should co-operate with the city officials in their clean-up campaign.

The appointment of a licensed Electrical Inspector; strict rules on issuing building permits, the standardizing of all old fire hydrants, the adoption of a weed and rubbish ordinance and many other good suggestions were offered in his message.

Miss Lillie Morrison was highly commended by the Mayor for her efficient services rendered in the office collecting water rent, etc.

The council was congratulated on the work they had accomplished since the administration went into office nine months ago and Mr. Gillit the Water Superintendent was also commended for the services he has rendered and his work was declared very satisfactory.

The Street Commissioner was authorized to employ an additional man for a few days to assist with the work of grading streets etc. Owing to the fact it has taken Mr. Gillit's time during the cold weather repairing pipes etc, it has been impossible for the Street Commissioner to take care of the streets as he wanted to do and now they will have immediate attention.

"Don't Miss It"

The Girls Choral Club and Boys Glee Club of the Baird High School, will present "Love Pirates of Hawaii" an operetta at the High School Auditorium on Friday night, February 8th under the direction of Miss Ina Lee Ely. The admission charges will be 25 and 50 cents.

W. J. COFFMAN DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME IN ADA OKLAHOMA

Mr. W. M. Coffman received a telegram Tuesday morning informing him of the death of his nephew, W. J. (Bill) Coffman, at Ada Okla. Mr. Coffman dropped dead in the bath room at his home, from heart failure.

Bill Coffman was the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Coffman, pioneer residents of Cross Plains, where he was born and reared to young manhood. He was about 54 years of age and is survived by his wife and three children, also several sisters, one of whom, Mrs. Will McGowen, lives at Cross Plains.

Mr. Coffman went to Ada in 1904, where he was engaged in the hardware business. He was a progressive business man and did much for the upbuilding of his home town.

Burial was made in Rosedale cemetery, at Ada.

SHOWER GIVEN FOR RECENT BRIDE

On Monday evening, January 14, 1929, Mrs. B. F. Russell and Mrs. Walter Francisco entertained with a miscellaneous shower for Mrs. J. W. Stacy, who before her recent marriage was Miss Belva Evans. High Score prize in "32" was won by Mrs. Farris Bennett, and the "Booby", which was a box filled with many beautiful gifts for house-keeping went to Mrs. Stacy. A salad course was served to a number of town guests, and to Miss Irene Eubank and Mrs. Overton, Putnam; Mrs. Thaxton Evans, Clyde.

New Automobile Firm Opens in Putnam

The Winters Chevrolet Company is a new firm just opened in Putnam. Mr. W. B. Winters, the manager, in company with Mrs. Evan Barker, of the Lowe-Barker Chevrolet Company. Baird visited The Star office Monday, and left an order for printing. We trust the new firm will do a splendid business in their new field.

LITTLE "SONNY" MORGAN DIES SUDDENLY AT OLNEY

Relatives and friends in Baird received news yesterday morning of the sudden death of "Sonny", the little three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Morgan, at their home in Olney Tuesday night, following a short illness with scarlet fever.

"Sonny" was an unusually bright and beautiful child and with his winsome happy smile attracted attention of everyone and had many admirers. He was a member of the Juvenile department of the Methodist Sunday School and was loved by all teachers and pupils in this department, who regretted to have him leave when the family moved to Olney a few weeks ago, and now they are made sad by his death. Many friends in Baird extend sincere sympathy to the bereaved parents in the death of their little boy.

DELPHIAN PROGRAM

For Feb. 14, 1929

The Renaissance in Italy.

Preparatory Discussion: Gifts of the Renaissance—

Mrs. Faye Alexander

Topic for Report: General Character of the Italian Renaissance—

Mrs. Bill Hatchett.

Venice—Mrs. E. Cooke.

Florence—Mrs. Brightwell.

Milan—Mrs. Gus Hall.



1—Horace M. Albright who has succeeded Stephen Mather as director of national park service. 2—Secretary of Agriculture Jardine laying cornerstone for new structure connecting two buildings of Department of Agriculture in Washington. 3—Maj. Gen. Francis Parker, new chief of bureau of insular affairs of War department.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Kellogg Anti-War Treaty Is Ratified by Senate and Signed by President.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

UNDER the able leadership of Senator Borah, the Kellogg treaty renouncing war as a national policy was ratified last week by the senate. The vote was 85 to 1, Senator John J. Blaine of Wisconsin being the only one to remain steadfast in his opposition to the pact. All others who had been fighting the treaty fell into line after Senator Borah agreed to the submission of a report from the foreign relations committee setting forth the American understanding of the meaning of the pact.

This report said that the committee approved the treaty with the understanding that it does not curtail the right of self-defense; that each nation is free to determine what constitutes the right of self-defense. It also stated that the Monroe Doctrine is a part of our system of national defense and that there is no obligation on the part of any of the signers to engage in punitive or coercive measures against a violator nation.

It might be well to reprint the two essential articles of the treaty. These are:

"ARTICLE 1. The high contracting parties solemnly declare in the names of their respective peoples that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another.

"ARTICLE 2. The high contracting parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means."

President Coolidge, it is said, considers the successful negotiation of this treaty the high accomplishment of his administration. Skeptics and cynics consider it a mere gesture that, in a crisis, will amount to little or nothing. Between these two views is the general opinion of mankind, that the pact is a big step toward world peace that must have a powerful moral effect whenever there is threat of war between any of the signatory nations—and these include almost all the nations on earth. Some of the senators who voted for the treaty did it with a laugh, agreeing with Senator Glass that it is "not worth a postage stamp," but that its defeat would psychologically be a bad thing. In Europe the ratification was greeted with joy by the governments.

On Thursday President Coolidge signed the treaty in the presence of the cabinet and members of the senate.

WITH the Kellogg treaty out of the way, the senate started in on the debate on the administration's 15 cruiser bill which, according to Senator Hale of Maine, chairman of the naval affairs committee, would go through with only 10 or 12 senators in opposition. The pacifists kept up their strenuous fight against this measure and there was danger of a filibuster developing to defeat it, but Mr. Hale said he had assurances that this course would not be adopted. Since it was brought out that wars of self-defense would not be affected by the Kellogg treaty, the supporters of the cruiser bill felt that the pacifist arguments against it were refuted. The opening speaker for the measure was Senator Swanson of Virginia, Democrat, who declared the proposals contained in the bill were most moderate, not exceeding in any degree the requirements of our navy and "not to be construed in any light as competition on our part as they only seek to bring our navy up to the ratio established at the Washington conference—they even fall far short of this."

PRESIDENT-ELECT HOOVER found so much to do in Washington that his departure for Florida again was postponed until Monday, and it now seems certain that he will

have to abandon his projected visits to the West Indies and Mexico. Washington correspondents said they had authority to state that Secretary of the Treasury Mellon had been asked to retain his portfolio in the Hoover cabinet and had accepted. It was also asserted that Ambassador Morrow would not be the new secretary of state, preferring to continue his excellent work in Mexico, and that Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Italy, probably would be selected to succeed Mr. Kellogg. Other rather positive guesses are that William J. Donovan will be attorney general and that a man from the Far West will be secretary of the interior.

During his stay in the capital Mr. Hoover made definite arrangements for the calling of a special session of congress, starting early in April, to take up farm relief and the tariff. Speaker Longworth said the ways and means committee of the house would have a tariff bill ready for consideration at the beginning of the session. It has been holding hearings for some time. Mr. Hoover also conferred with Senators Edge and Wesley L. Jones, wet and dry leaders, and agreed to appoint, soon after assuming office, a commission to investigate all phases of prohibition enforcement. The members will be men outside of congress and will be as nearly unprejudiced on the question as possible. Congress will be asked to appropriate money for the investigation, but it was decided no legislation was needed by the President to appoint the commission.

ACCORDING to a decision of the United States Supreme court, rendered last week, the Chicago sanitary district may not divert water from Lake Michigan for the sanitation of Chicago. The present diversion of 8,500 cubic feet of water per second through the sanitary district canal is to be reduced to a small fraction thereof for the purpose of maintaining the navigability of the Chicago river only.

It will be within the power and discretion of congress, however, to increase the volume of diversion eventually to the present amount or more for the purpose of navigation of the projected lakes to the gulf deep waterway. Although the decision casts doubt on the power of congress to authorize diversion for sanitary purposes only, the diversion permitted for deep waterway navigation would be sufficient for incidental sanitation, particularly in conjunction with the septic tank sewage disposal system now in process of construction.

Members of the Illinois delegation in congress immediately began planning action to save the deep waterway project by getting enabling legislation, and Senators Densen and Glenn laid the whole problem before President-Elect Hoover.

REAPPORTIONMENT of the 435 members of the house of representatives on the basis of the 1930 census, effective in 1932, seems certain. Little opposition was expected in the senate to the measure passed by the house by an overwhelming viva voce vote. The bill provides for automatic reapportionment by the secretary of commerce every ten years in the event that congress, at the first session following each census, fails to enact a reapportionment bill.

BACHA SAKAO, son of a poor Afghan water carrier, may become the king of Afghanistan. His real name is Habibullah Khan and he is the leader of the rebels who have been besieging Kabul, the capital. A few days ago King Amanullah rescinded some of his reform measures and then abdicated in favor of his brother, Inayatullah. But this did not satisfy the rebels and they continued their attacks on the government forces. Amanullah fled, but Inayatullah was cornered in Kabul and recent reports said the city, with the exception of the citadel, was in the hands of Habibullah's followers. Priests and tribesmen in the Jallalabad area joined the insurgents and the city of Jagdalak was reported captured.

This revolt in Afghanistan is an interesting result of international scheming. The Afghan minister to Paris says it was brought about by British intrigue. He declares Great Britain never forgave Amanullah for

forcing the recognition of his country's right to diplomatic relations with other nations in 1919, and when, during his recent visit to Europe he went to Russia and came under Soviet influences, the British vowed to get him, and incited the tribesmen to rebel. The Russian government is believed to have had a hand in the affair and may yet come out winner.

GEN. BRAMWELL BOOTH, aged and sick, refused to retire as commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army when the high council of the organization asked him to do so, offering to let him retain the honorary title and dignities. So the council, after deliberating all day, declared the old general unfit to continue in his high office, the vote being 55 to 5. General Booth was quoted as having issued the following statement while the council was voting to oust him: "I shall resist by every means in my power this attempt to deprive me of the leadership of the Salvation Army. I have not much money, but I will spend what I have in defending my position. I should be a coward—worse than a coward—a skunk—if I quit because there is a bit of rumpus."

J. PIERPONT MORGAN and Owen J. D. Young with Thomas Nelson Perkins as alternate, were agreed upon as the unofficial American representatives on the board of experts that is to devise a final settlement of German reparations. Great Britain suggested these names and they were accepted by France, Belgium, Germany, Italy, and Japan. The program was to obtain the consent of the men selected, propose their names to the reparations commission and then ask Secretary Kellogg if the American government had any objection, to which he would reply in the negative. All of which was made necessary by the determination of this government to have no official concern in the business.

THE long quarrel between the Holy See and the state of Italy is about to be settled amicably, according to dispatches from Rome. Cardinal Gasparri and Benito Mussolini have concluded an agreement by which the Vatican grounds are to constitute a completely free and independent territory under the sovereignty of the pope. A precedent for this is found in the existence of the republic of San Marino within Italy, of Monaco within France and of Andorra surrounded by jurisdiction of other states.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR., and Col. Robert W. Stewart have been engaged in a desperate battle for control of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, and it is reported that Rockefeller is winning. Stewart, who is chairman of the board and who had some well remembered troubles with the senate, refused to resign at the demand of Rockefeller and was supported by President E. G. Seubert and the other members of the board of directors. Thereupon both Rockefeller and Stewart started out to get proxies for the next annual meeting, set for March 7. Before the end of the week it was believed Rockefeller had obtained more than 51 per cent of the voting proxies. John D., Sr., joined his son in the fight, making it harder for Colonel Stewart.

NORTHERN EUROPE was swept last week by terrific gales and snow storms. Steamers and sailing vessels were wrecked, train service stopped and rural districts isolated and buried in snow. The loss of human lives was considerable, and great numbers of cattle perished. Off the coast of China a Chinese steamer, caught in a storm, ran on a rock and sank, about 300 natives being drowned.

MRS. GEORGE H. RUTH, estranged wife of Babe Ruth, famous baseball player, was burned to death in the apartment of a dentist in a suburb of Boston. Her identity was discovered by accident.

Wyatt Earp, last of the celebrated frontier gunmen who helped preserve order in the old West, died in Hollywood, Calif.

Count Chinda, lord ambassador of Japan and former ambassador to Washington, passed away in Tokyo.

FRENCH PRISONERS OF WAR SAY THEY ARE OVERLOOKED

Demand That the Government Compensate Them for Time Spent in Enemy Prisons.

Paris.—Declaring that they are the only French war veterans who have not been properly recompensed for their sacrifices, the members of the National Federation of Former War Prisoners have framed a petition demanding that the government pay them the modest sum of two and a half francs (10 cents) for each day they spent in an enemy prison.

"This money is provided for us in the Versailles treaty," M. Volvey, secretary general of the federation, said. "Every year Germany pays France a sum of money, which, in principle, is destined for us. But ten years have passed since the end of the war and we haven't received a sou. "It is necessary that the government attend to this matter immediately, for many of the war prisoners are living in poverty because their health was permanently injured during their months of captivity. Since the armistice, 100,000 of our number have died from diseases contracted in German, Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian prison camps.

"Some of our politicians seem to think that the only prisoners worthy of attention are those who escaped. Do they think all of us wouldn't have escaped if we had a chance? Another thing, they don't realize that very few men escaped without the co-operation of the men who stayed behind."

Spend Millions on Death Valley Shack

Topopah, Nev.—For the first time, Death Valley Scott's famous ranch in Grapevine canyon is hooked up with the outside world by telephone.

"It's mighty convenient," says Scotty. "Not long ago my favorite mule was sick and if the phone had been working I would have had a specialist out from the coast. I nearly lost the best animal in my string."

When the Bullfrog railroad recently abandoned its line between Goldfield and Beatty, Albert Johnson, Chicago multi-millionaire who is building a million-dollar "shack" on the ranch and installing a \$35,000 pipe organ to entertain Scotty and his mules, purchased the wire and poles and established a phone service from the ranch to Goldfield, where it connects with long distance.

Johnson divides his time between Chicago and the ranch and he says, "I need it when I am away to confer with Scotty on important matters."

Johnson has already spent a million dollars on the "shack" and other improvements, including miniature lakes, pipe lines, electric power and lights, a palace for the mules, ice plant and costly furniture for the "shack" brought in from all parts of the world, and is well started on the second million.

What it is all for is as much a mystery today as it was three years ago. Both Johnson and Scotty declare it is not a money-making scheme.

Students Are Firemen After College Hours

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Thirty-six Oklahoma university athletes are members of the local fire department.

They serve on the night shift, attending classes in the daytime. This was arranged for them by Ben G. Goff, Oklahoma City's fire chief, who is a former athlete and a graduate of the university. But he selects athletes for his department because he finds them ideal firemen.

"An athlete understands discipline and is strong for the organization to which he belongs," Goff explains.

The students are employed throughout the year, and in summers they take the day shift, so they may have the nights off. They form a baseball team, which represents the department in the baseball season. In the winter the fire department turns to basketball on a local league, the players being fire-fighting students who are unable to make the varsity.

Chief Goff predicts many of the boys will remain firemen after they finish college.

Britain Outstrips U. S. at Shipbuilding Trade

London.—American competition in shipbuilding, the greatest menace to British supremacy between 1916 and 1920, has now ceased to exist, in the opinion of British investors. With a general depression on, which makes it a real trial of competitive strength, England is building twenty times as many ocean-going vessels as the United States and 50 per cent more than all Continental countries put together. Within the last few weeks British shipbuilders have secured contracts from the United States, Norway, Sweden, France, Spain, Canada, Argentina and Chile.

Swallows Pins Bangor, Maine.—No ill effects were felt by Miss Margaret Burke, nineteen, of this city, after she sneezed and swallowed 18 or 19 pins she was holding in her mouth.

Spanker Breaks Arm Steubenville, Ohio.—Spanking his twenty-year-old son cost Mike Druster of this city a broken arm. The son dodged one blow, and Druster struck the wall of the room.

Eula News

EULA, TEX. Jan. 20, 1929 Miss Eliza and Haynie how are you and The Star force. We have a cold day out this way. The sick in and around Eula is better as far as I know.

W. B. Ferguson, W. P. Miller and J. T. Edwards are sick, but are improving slowly. These three men are the first among the early days to move to this country. We wish them good health.

Farmers are going to be late getting their land ready on account of bad weather and the flu. Small grain isn't doing much. I think we have a good season.

There will be lots of feed planted out this way. Cotton will bring in more money, but we must raise feed. You know the cow, sow, hen and turkey has to have feed.

J. H. Carpenter of Eagle Cove, was in Eula one day this week. Mr. Carpenter is going into the goat business. Mr. Carpenter is an ex-cow man and he thinks he will make good money handling goats.

John R. Harris and Rol Cook of Clyde, was in Eula, Friday.

Met my old friend Isham G. Harris of Abilene, he is looking well. Mr. Harris tells me he has been in good health all winter.

W. F. Harrison, Thomas Dunn and R. P. Stephenson was in Abilene Saturday.

"Patsie."

PROMINENT JONES COUNTY PEDAGOG GOES TO BRECKENRIDGE

N. S. Holland, for nine years superintendent of the Stamford schools, has been elected to fill a similar position with the Breckenridge schools, to take the place of L. T. Cook, who recently resigned to go to Sherman as head of the schools. Mr. Holland is at the head of the Interscholastic League of Jones County, and is one of the most prominent educators in this part of the State-Anson Western Enterprise.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish through The Star to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the kind and timely help given me in my serious illness the past three weeks. I especially thank Dr. York, Mrs. W. W. Warrell, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Smith, Mrs. Green and Mrs. A. Herron, also Irby and Susie Lee Smith who called every morning to do errands and take messages and to the Nitschke family, who have always greatly contributed to my pleasure and happiness, being interested in my welfare and all others who contributed to my needs and happiness. Had it not been for these kind people I would now be resting in Ross cemetery instead of being seen on the streets of Baird. Again I sincerely appreciate every kindness shown me.

Sincerely,
Mrs. E. P. Poindexter.

TRAIN SCHEDULE TEXAS & PACIFIC RY. EAST BOUND

Train No.	Arrives	Departs
16	9:25 A. M.	9:35 A. M.
4	1:30 P. M.	1:35 P. M.
6	3:25 A. M.	3:30 A. M.
10	4:20 A. M.	4:25 A. M.

WEST BOUND

Train No.	Arrives	Departs
1	6:10 P. M.	6:15 P. M.
3	3:20 P. M.	3:25 P. M.
5	1:30 A. M.	1:35 A. M.
9	3:30 A. M.	3:35 A. M.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners Court of Callahan County, will receive sealed bids for the selection of a County Depository for the next two years, up to ten o'clock A. M. Monday, February 11, 1929. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check for \$800.00 and must state the rate of interest to be paid for the funds of the county for the two years period.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

W. C. White
County Judge, Callahan County, Texas. 8-3t.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

All persons are warned that they will be prosecuted for permitting stock to run in the Cemetery or for leaving open any gates to the same. Such acts are a violation of the law and will not be tolerated.

J. M. Cummings,
Cemetery Sexton.

FOR SALE

Lister Shares
Planter Sweeps
Right Prices

R. E. BOUNDS

Iona News

Mr. and Earl Browning of Big Spring, have returned to this community to make their home. They will occupy the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Browning, who have moved to Los Angeles Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Williams of Stamford, visited Mr. Williams' father the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Barton are rejoicing over the arrival of a son, born last week.

Mrs. R. H. Robertson has been confined to her bed with the flu for several days.

Next Friday night, February 1st will be the regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers and Community Club at Bethlehem church. Everybody is urged to attend as an entertaining and instructive program will be rendered.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Johnson entertained the young people with a party Saturday night.

L. B. McNeil who has been sick for some time is still unable to attend his classes in Baird High School.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Breshears of Eastland, visited Mr. and Mrs. McNeil Mr. and Mrs. Joe Knight of Eastland, also visited them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Daves of Santo are visiting their aunt, Mrs. E. L. Daves.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Robertson spent last Friday night and Saturday in Comanche.

There will be a birthday party on February 4th at Mrs. Lee Clyde Johnsons, in honor of Olga Johnson and Loyd Duncan.

Mr. Fred Cutbirth of Cross Plains visited Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Duncan Monday.

Mr. Charlie Chandler of Sheffield visited Clyde Johnson and family last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson of Baird, visited in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Emmerson and Mrs. L. V. Rudder of Baird and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cox and family of Buffalo Gap, all visited Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Emmerson last Sunday.

The Iona boys played basketball with Lone Oak Juniors last Friday winning their game by a score of 10 to 5.

Sunday will be regular church day at Bethlehem. The pastor, Bro. Meador will preach at eleven o'clock and again at night. Every body is invited to come.

TO THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER, WARDEN AND BRETHREN OF BAIRD LODGE NO. 522

A. F. & A. M.

We, your committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions touching the death of brother W. E. Gilliland, beg leave to submit the following:

On January 14th, 1929, Brother W. E. Gilliland was called by the mallet of death from his labors among his fellow men to an abiding home not made by human hands eternal in the heavens. We find he served several years during his eighty years of existence his county as deputy sheriff and that his voice was heard in the State Legislature.

As a citizen, he was fair and just in his dealings toward all mankind and to his friends and neighbors he exhibited a deep sense of sympathy and friendship. In the field of journalism he was editor of The Baird Star for more than forty years, during which time he chronicled births, weddings and deaths as they occurred as well as recording with fidelity the educational, social and business progress of our County, State and Nation.

Therefore be it resolved that in the death of our beloved brother, Callahan County has lost an old and honored pioneer, the State and Nation a patriotic law abiding citizen. Be it further resolved that Baird Lodge No. 522 do hereby express to his widow and his family our sincere condolence and ask the Secretary of this Lodge to convey to the family a copy of these Resolutions and also a copy be filed in the archives of this Lodge, and a copy furnished The Baird Star for publication.

Be it further resolved that the Masonic order has lost a zealous member, his church a pillar, his wife and children a devoted end indulgent husband and father and our community a forward looking upright Christian Gentleman.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. L. Russell
E. G. Powell
R. P. Stephenson

Committee.

POSTED

My ranch on Pecan Bayou in Callahan and Coleman Counties is Posted. No hunting, fishing or trapping allowed.

8-4tpd. Ludie H. Owen.

The Baird Star.

Entered as Second Class Matter, December 8, 1887, at the Post Office at Baird, Texas, under Act of 1879.

W. E. GILLILAND
Editor and Proprietor.
MISS ELIZA GILLILAND
Business Mgr. and Associate Editor

ADVERTISING RATES

Display Advertising, per inch 25c
Local Advertising, per line 5c
(Minimum Charge 25c)
Legal Advertising, per line 5c
All Advertising charged by the week.

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In Callahan County
One Year \$1.50
Six Months .80
Three Months .50
Outside Callahan County
One Year \$2.00
Six Months 1.25
Three Months .75
(Payable in Advance)



James E. Ferguson has resumed the publication of the Ferguson Forum, the first number being issued Jan 24th. We clip the following from this issue under the head of "Why The Ferguson Forum Again":

Early in September of last year I was compelled to suspend publication of the Forum because our friends had forgot to send in their subscriptions.

No sooner had the Forum stopped when I began to get letters from all over the state expressing regret and there were urgent requests that I again publish the Forum.

At first I paid no serious attention to these requests as it was my intention to quit the newspaper game for good as it had taken much of my time without any net return to my finances.

Up to a few weeks ago it had not occurred to me that there was a question of duty involved on my part. I had merely thought of the matter from the standpoint of personal interest.

But recent developments make it plain that every citizen must be up and doing according to his or her time and talents if the blessing of liberty and happiness are to be preserved to us and our children who come after us.

My family has been honored by the people of Texas as no other family has or ever will be honored again, and therefore I feel an obligation resting on me ever to be on the firing line as long as life and strength shall last to oppose all men and measurers whom I think are doing or seeking to do violence to the best interests of my state and her people. Don't let anybody get the idea that I am arrogating to myself the idea that I am the savior of mankind, for experience has proven to me that one man amounts to but little in this world, but what I am determined to do is to do my part and that means all I can with the mind and strength that God hath given me, to the services of my country. I am not a candidate for office

W. E. Gilliland is dead at Baird, Texas, where he conducted the Baird Star for many years—forty-one, to be exact. For years he was an upstanding figure in Texas newspaperdom, also a prominent member of the Texas Press Association. He was of the old type of newspaper men, as he believed in the old things and the old ways a great deal. Only up to a few years back did he allow a linotype in his shop. But he always got out a good paper, stood well in the community, and laid down a life that any man would have been pleased to have called his own.

—Stamford Leader.

Captain Gilliland was indeed an upstanding figure—over six feet of him, straight of spine and of character, faithful to the ideals of his youth, fawning on none of high station, disdainful none of humble rank. A Democrat, in the partisan and the social sense, yet devoted to courtesy and formal manners. He was of the older West in its rugged surplines, and of the younger, America in its abounding confidence, courage and enlightenment. Captain Gilliland had education as well as optimism. He enjoyed the new ways of living when they proved themselves but he did not change from the old to the new merely to be in the fashion. He chose to prove the new things, and hold fast to those which were justified. That was why he did not immediately invest in a linotype—he knew the hand-set paper has served

well, and he would not abandon it until his intelligence was convinced that the machine way was better. When it was proved there was no resistance for the sake of resistance. Dependable men such as he have made and are making the West. Indeed, they made and are making America. In this case the editor of the Baird Star was content to be what he was. He sought success in his local field without sighing for broader opportunity. And it is the aggregation of safe and sane localities that compose safe and sane localities that compose a safe and sane Nation. W. E. Gilliland was first a good citizen, then a good editor, above all a just and generous husband and father.

—State Press, Dallas News.

TEXAS JOURNALISM AND DEMOCRATS LOSE FORCEFUL WRITER, SUPPORTER IN DEATH OF W. E. GILLILAND

The Ferguson Forum mourns the passing of one of the Forum's most illustrious contemporaries in the weekly newspaper field and one of the pioneers in Texas journalism.

W. E. Gilliland, editor of the Baird Star for more than forty years, who died at his home in Baird Monday morning at the age of 80 years, is honored as one of the staunchest supporters of the Democratic party and its principles in the history of Texas journalism.

He was known far and wide as a kind but forceful writer, who had no fear to express himself editorially in any way he might see fit. There wasn't an ounce of hypocrisy in his whole make-up, and he was as frank and honest in his dealings with his fellow-man as any man living.

His loss is not only great to his family. It is a great loss to his friends, his town, his county, and his state. He was revered and looked up to as one of the founders of Texas journalism and was always referred to with respect, even by political enemies.

The state will not see his like in many a year and The Ferguson Forum feels that it has not exaggerated one whit in painting to you the virtues of the man whose death has cast a shadow over the face of the sun of Texas journalism.

—Ferguson Forum.

Midway School News

The Spring Style Show at the last Literary was a scream. The young "Flapper Girls" of Midway had a good chance to see themselves, as others see them. Some of the boys made better girls than boys, as it was proven so by Mr. Graham. The lovely Zula.

The Literary has been postponed until Feb. 8, 1929 and then the following program will be rendered:

- Song, "Mount Vernon Bells," Choral Club.
- Reading, "Lincoln," Bill Atwood.
- Reading, "Washington," Lloyd Jones.
- School Paper, Eula Atwood.
- Reading, "Great Men of February," Primary Boys.
- Play, "A Successful Elopment," Senior Room.
- Play, "Who Got The Dinner," Zula Ashley, Byrl Jones, Mr. Graham.
- Music, School Orchestra.

We made \$36.00 at the Box Supper and the money has been put into good use. The boys appreciate the new ball and they have been playing several games—scores as follows:

- Eula, 12 — Midway, 16.
- Lone Oak, 16 — Midway, 16
- Enterprise, 23 — Midway, 16
- Rock Hill, 13 — Midway, 38
- Broadway, 23 — Midway, 9.

The girls have organized a Basketball team and have played two games. scores as follows:

- Rock Hill, 6 — Midway, 7
- Rock Hill, 9 — Midway, 13.

Come out and give our team a boost.

—School Reporter.

Box Supper Nets School \$127.00

The new \$15,000 building of the Union Consolidated School District No. 5 was the scene, last Friday night, of a real old time box supper. Very interesting and enjoyable program was rendered by children from Moran under the direction of a very capable director, Miss Kathleen Hayes, Teacher of Expression at Moran. A number of town and communities were represented among which were, Baird, Cisco Putnam, Moran, Moran and Sedwick. Over 100 boxes were sold and we are informed that the total receipts amounted to over \$127.00. This money will be used to purchase additional stage equipment for this school. The consolidation of three schools districts into one has given this section the best rural school in Callahan County and no doubt one of the best in the state.

Five regular teachers and a kindergarten instructor are employed in this district and the adjoining communities are very proud of their new building and the education accommodations. The program presented by Miss Hays Friday night was as follows:

- "Not Me" James Snyder.
- What Is His Bride Worth? Laury Taylor.
- Hunting Flowers
- The Birdie, Florence Ethel Tidmore.
- "Son, You Washed?"

Four Years Old
The Secret, Patsy Ruth Mitchell.
Klapdans (Swedish Folk Dance) The Group.

The Railroad Crossing, Robert Dennis.
At The Country Club Dance, Alice Dale Townsend.

Salute Your Brides
The Visitor, Margie Linder.
An invitation to attend this affair was extended the Chamber of Commerce and the following men were present; B. J. Jones, S. L. McElroy and James Asbury, all report that they enjoyed the event very much.

WEDNESDAY CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

Mrs. R. L. Alexander was hostess to the Wednesday Club at the home of Miss Collier on January 23rd. Responses were made to Roll Call by current events. After the officers reports the following were elected as officers to serve next year:

- Mrs. L. L. Blackburn, President
- Mrs. Ace Hickman, 1st Vice-Pres.
- Mrs. H. Farmer, 2nd Vice-Pres.
- Miss Gilliland, Recording Sec.
- Mrs. Boren, Corresponding Sec.
- Mrs. Ross, Treasurer.
- Mrs. Brightwell, Critic.
- Mrs. Short, Reporter.

A FREAK

N. H. (Buster) George, local ranchman, living six miles east of here and one of the most prominent cattlemen in this section of the county reports one of the most unusual happenings ever brought to notice in this state.

Mr. George placed two cows in his pens at the ranch house, both of these cows gave birth to twin calves. All four calves were normal at birth but owing to unusual weather conditions, they died a few days later. A week after the twins were born to one cow she gave birth to another calf, which was also normal in every respect and is still living. Veterinarians in this territory claim that they had known of instances where cows have given births to one calf and a week later the second calf was born but had never heard of a case where twins were born and the third calf born after a period of several days.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Albert Julian, whose residence is unknown, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, to be held at the Courthouse thereof, in the city of Baird, on the First Monday in March, 1929, being the Fourth day of March, 1929, then and there to answer a petition filed in the said court, on the thirty-first day of January, 1929, the file number of which is 7408, in which suit The Farmers State Bank, a banking corporation of Putnam, Texas, is plaintiff, and Albert Julian and Ethel Julian are defendants:

The cause of Action being alleged as follows:

THE STATE OF TEXAS) COUNTY OF CALLAHAN)

In the District Court of Callahan County, Texas. March Term, 1929. TO SAID HONORABLE COURT:

The petition of The Farmers State Bank, plaintiff, complaining of Albert Julian and his wife Ethel Julian, defendants, would respectfully show the following:

Plaintiff is a banking corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas with its principal office and domicile in the town of Putnam, in Callahan County, Texas; That the residence of the defendant Albert Julian is unknown; that the residence of the defendant Ethel Julian is in Callahan County, Texas.

That on the 15th day of June, 1925, the defendant Albert Julian executed and delivered to Geo. M. Jeffers, C. K. Peek and E. F. Robinson, Trustees of the M. E. Church South of Putnam, Texas, his promissory note bearing date on such day and year, and thereby promised to pay to said trustees or their order Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00), payable in installments of \$100.00 per month, the first payment or installment due July 15, 1925, the last payment or installment due July 15, 1926, with interest thereon from June 15, 1925 at the rate of ten per cent per annum, the interest pay-

able every three months, principal and interest payable at the office of The Farmers State Bank, at Putnam, Texas, and ten per cent attorneys fees upon principal and interest if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or suit should be brought thereon after maturity; which note reads as follows:

"VENDORS LIEN NOTE"

June 15th, 1925 \$1200.00

Payable in installments of \$100.00 per month, first payment due July 15th, 1925—Last payment due and payable July 15th, 1926, after date I promise to pay to the order of Geo. M. Jeffers, C. K. Peek and E. F. Robinson, trustees of the M. E. Church of Putnam, Texas, the sum of Twelve Hundred & No. 100 Dollars, for value received, with interest thereon from June 15th, 1925, until maturity at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, the interest payable every three months, and annually thereafter as it accrues. This note and accrued interest thereon shall bear interest after maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum until paid. Principal and interest payable at the office of Farmers State Bank, Putnam, Texas.

It is hereby expressly agreed that if this note is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, or collected by suit, I agree to pay ten per cent additional on principal and interest then due, as attorney's fees.

This note is secured by a deed of trust of even date herewith on the following described property, to-wit: Situated in Callahan County, Texas, Being Lot No. 2, in Blk. No. 34, in the town of Putnam, Callahan County, Texas, as per the official map of said town of Putnam, Texas.

Albert Julian.
That on or about the 15th day of June, 1925 said trustees of said M. E. Church of Putnam, Texas, for a valuable consideration sold, transferred and assigned said note to the plaintiff herein, and the plaintiff, being from such date to the present date the legal owner and holder of such note, and after all installments were due and payable on such note made demand on the defendants to pay the note and, defendants refusing, placed such note after such maturity in the hands of the undersigned attorneys for collection, agreeing with them to pay them the said amount of attorney's fees for their services in connection with such note; which is a reasonable amount therefor.

Though repeated demands have been made by plaintiff upon the defendants to pay such note, interest and attorney's fees, the defendants have failed and refused and still fail and refuse to pay the same or any part thereof to plaintiff's damage in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00).

That upon the 15th day of June, the trustees of the M. E. Church, of Putnam, Texas, executed and delivered to the defendant Albert Julian, a deed, granting and conveying to him the following described real estate to-wit: Lot No. 2, in Blk. No. 34, in the town of Putnam, in Callahan County, Texas, and laid down and described on the official map of said town. The said promissory note was given as part of the purchase price for such land so conveyed and to secure its payment the vendor's lien was retained in such deed.

That the defendant Ethel Julian is the wife of the defendant Albert Julian and is living on the above described premises and is asserting some right or title thereto, the exact nature of which is unknown to this plaintiff.

Premises considered, plaintiff prays that the defendants be cited in terms of law to appear herein, and that on final hearing plaintiff have judgment against said defendants for such sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars, interest, costs and attorney's fees, for foreclosure of such vendor's lien and order of sale, and for such other and further relief, to which it may be entitled either in law or in equity.

You are commanded to summon such defendant, Albert Julian, and to serve this citation, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county; but if there be no newspaper published in said county, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county where a newspaper is published.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term hereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, Callie Marshall, Clerk of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court in the city of Baird, this 31st day of January, 1929.

Callie Marshall
Clerk of the District Court of Callahan County Texas.

Issued this the 31st day of January 1929.

Callie Marshall
Clerk of the District Court of Callahan County Texas. 9-4t.

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR PURE DRUGS

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded

The Drug Store With Class
WHEELER'S

The only place in Baird where you can buy
PANGBURN'S CLASSIC ICE CREAM

OUR LINE OF DRUGS

are the largest and best to be found in this section. We give careful attention to filling prescriptions.



SHAW BROS. CREAM arriving on every train.

TWO STORES
NO. 1 **CITY PHARMACY** NO. 2
BAIRD, TEXAS

CONSERVATIVE MANAGEMENT

—an essential feature of a sound safe bank having the interests of the public at heart.

Such is the management of The First National, which has won and held the confidence of the Baird community. The men in control of this bank are men who have proved that they can be depended upon.

The **FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

THE OLD ESTABLISHED BANK

BAIRD, TEXAS

TOM WINDHAM, President
W. S. HINDS, Active Vice President
HENRY JAMES, Vice-President
ACE HICKMAN, Vice-President
BOB NORRELL, Cashier
HOWARD E. FARMER, Asst. Cashier

....About Your Friends....

Please Phone News Items To No. 8.

Frank Windham was in from the Clear Creek ranch yesterday.

Miss Susie Walker is visiting relatives at Admiral this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Straley and little son of Oplin, were in Baird yesterday.

Mrs. I Slaughter and daughter, Miss Maude, were in from their farm on Deep Creek yesterday.

Mrs. Clara Pratt, and brothers, Arthur and J. C. Walker, of San Antonio, were in Baird Monday, looking after some real estate interests here.

Mrs. D. L. Pierce who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Alexander Sanitarium, Abilene, last Saturday, is reported getting along nicely.

Jim Barton of Tecumseh, was in Baird yesterday. He tells us that his father, J. F. Barton, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is some better, and while his conditions is yet serious, they hope for his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mitchell and little daughter Patsy Ruth of Moran, spent Sunday in Baird with home folks.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilliland just north of the courthouse is nearing completion.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Hamlett have just completed and moved into a pretty new home in West Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ely of Sweetwater, spent Sunday with their daughter, Miss Ina Lee Ely, teacher of expression in the Baird High School.

Erice Jones is spending a few days in Dallas this week. Joe Leache, substitute is carrying the mail on Rt. No. 1, during Mr. Jones' absence.

John Gorman, with the Southwestern Paper Company, Dallas and Mr. Shepherd, with the Commercial Printing Company, of Cisco, were pleasant callers at The Star office Monday.

Mrs. Nowling, who has been quite ill at the home of her sister, Miss Ruth Akers, for some time underwent an operation Monday morning and while her conditions are considered serious, she is reported resting very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie and Mrs. Childs from Breckenridge, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Dickey.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION MEETS THURSDAY, FEB. 7TH.

The Parent-Teachers Association will hold their regular monthly meeting at the High School Auditorium, on next Thursday afternoon, Feb. 7th. All are urged to be present.

NOTICE

I wish to announce to the ladies of Baird that I now carry the Franco-American line of Toilet Goods, which was formerly carried by the late Mrs. W. L. Henry, and will appreciate your patronage. I have a supply of the goods at my home and will gladly call for any orders you may want. See or phone me.

Mrs. J. J. Price
Phone 355.

PICTURE SHOW TO BE OPEN ONLY ON SATURDAY NIGHTS

For the first time in many years Baird is now without a picture show, only on Saturday nights. Mr. H. O. Everetts, manager of Westex Theatres gives as the reason, lack of patronage. Mr. Everett has been transferred to Anson, as manager of the Palace Theatre at that place and will return to Baird each Saturday night at which time the show will be open until such time as the patronage will justify the opening on other nights or every night as formerly.

OBITUARY

J. B. Heslep was born Feb. 16, 1901, died Jan. 20, 1929, after a few days suffering he quietly passed away to be at rest. J. B. was a quiet reticent boy he was converted at Albany, joining the Baptist Church at the age of 13. He leaves a wife and two small children, a boy four years old and a girl two years old. His father and mother and family was at his bedside during his last hours. We should say as one of old "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord".

He was patient, only complained of being tired and wanting rest. All that faithful physician, loving kindred and friends could do was done for him, but the death angel claimed him.

One we loved from us is gone
A voice we loved is still
Let us bravely march a long
Submitting to God's will
A link from our chain is gone
We miss him it is true
But let us pray, Thy will be done
And ask for blessings new
He's resting by the tree of life
His work on earth is done,
He knows no trouble, pain nor strife
His victory is won—
Written by Mrs. J. T. Heslep,
His Grandmother.

Judge and Mrs. T. H. Owens, who have been spending sometime at their ranch on the Bayou, left Sunday for their home in Oklahoma City.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

The young people of the Church of Christ are continuing an excellent work begun some time ago. Though much sickness has hindered us almost to the "Nth power", we are still at work. We only urge that all members of the class be present at each meeting, and that you bring someone with you. Our greatest enemy is the word FAIL. If you fail to be loyal, if you fail to put forth your best efforts, just to that extent our meetings are going a FAIL. Now, what is OUR answer?

Remember that everyone is invited to our study—visitors are always welcome. The program for next Sunday evening (6:30 o'clock) is as follows:

1. The Baptism of Jesus, Jessis Evans.
2. Fulfilling all Righteousness, Christine Hall.
3. Confessing Christ, Weldon Varner.
4. Being in Christ, Jewell Mills.
5. The Baptism of Saul, Garland Bennett.
6. Baptism to Be Observed, Minnie Mills.
7. Jehovah's Chosen Servant, Wyndell Hall. H. S. & W. H.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Cal C. Wright, Pastor
Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Our motto is "Every member present and on time". B. L. Russell, Jr., Supt.

Preaching at 11 o'clock. Subject: "The Power of Burning Hearts." Congregational singing, and "Bread Of Life" by Mrs. H. H. Shaw, Mrs. J. E. Roberts and Mrs. H. Driskill. Miss Bonnie Belle James at the piano.

Following the morning sermon the Holy Communion will be observed. The Hi-League will meet at 6:15 a. m.

We will not have evening services on account of the Revival at the Baptist Church.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

S. F. McCaffity, Pastor
Sunday School at 10 a. m.; Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m.; Ladies Auxiliary Monday at 3 p. m.; Prayer services Wednesday at 7 p. m.

Sunday February 3rd, there will be no services at the evening hour, but all the other services will be held and at the 11 o'clock hour, the Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the preaching hour.

All are invited to be present and worship with us. Your presence and prayers are needed. Will you not be present?

Attend the revival services being held at the Baptist Church. They are worth while and will do you good.

TO THE PUBLIC

On account of the conditions of my eyes it is necessary that I retire from business. It is impossible for me to continue in business as I am not able to see well enough to keep books. Everything will be cash from now on, but you will be able to get real bargains as I am closing out.
E. COOKE

WANT ADS THAT BRING RESULTS

If you want to buy, sell, or trade, or find anything anywhere or anytime—USE STAR WANT-ADS.

FOR SALE: 25 White Leghorn Pullets (laying) \$1.00 each—40 or more. S. C. R. I. Red Pullets, \$1.25 each, all well bred stuff—at the farm on the Bayou next Wednesday, Feb. 6th only. Mrs. Al Young, Clyde Texas. Phone 40. 9-1tpd.

FOR RENT: the brick business house now occupied by the McElroy Dry Goods Co.—also the building just west of the Leache Store. I also have two nice two room apartments with garage. See or phone Mrs. J. H. Terrell. Phone 112. 9-1tf.

WANTED: to rent a 100 to 150 acre farm on the halves. See or write B. F. Lych, Clyde, Texas, in care of C. B. Blevins. 9-3tpd.

HOME LAUNDRY

Modern Equipment. Call or leave at Mae Hotel. We call for and deliver. 9-2tpd. Mrs. Mae Northcut.

FOR RENT: Two bed rooms. Phone 275. 9-1tpd.

CHINESE ELMS 50c to 75c each. Pecans \$1 to \$10 each. Peaches, Plums Apples, 15c to 75c each. Evergreens Crape Myrtles, Altheas, Roses, etc, 20c to 50c each. Clyde Nurseries. J. H. Burkett Prop. 9-1tf.

WORK WANTED: I want work of some kind, would work on a farm or do any honorable work. I am 15 years old, strong, able and willing to work 9-1tf. Van Gilley, Phone, 14

CONSOLIDATED

BOWLUS & BOWLUS

Have moved their stock of Furniture across the street, and consolidated same with the stock of the

BAIRD HARDWARE COMPANY

It is the aim of the management of this firm, to carry a complete line of shelf-hardware and staple items in the heavier grades, also a complete line of medium priced, substantial Furniture.

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Value of Life Insurance
By W. A. Fraser

Life insurance has saved many families from going to the poorhouse.

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MARVELOUS story of the misery that has been eliminated and the happiness and comfort that has been brought to thousands of Texas families whose providers were members of the Woodmen of the World is strongly emphasized by figures compiled by W. A. Fraser, sovereign commander of the Woodmen of the World.

Sovereign Commander Fraser's figures showed that the Woodmen of the World life insurance association has paid \$44,215,539 in death claims to families of this state since the Woodmen of the World started to do business here in 1891.

"Just think what these millions of dollars paid in insurance benefits have meant to those families whose providers were snatched away from them and their regular incomes stopped," said Sovereign Commander Fraser. "One does not have to stretch his imagination to realize what this money has done for the widows and the orphans of the families of this state. If these bread-winners had not been insured, think of the great misery which would have come into the lives of the wives and children through no fault of their own. Just a little thoughtfulness on the part of the fathers and husbands of these families brought untold happiness, gave the children a chance for an education, kept many families out of orphan asylums and poorhouses and in this way saved the taxpayers of the state thousands of dollars. The Woodmen of the World has been glad to pay these claims and

bring this happiness to these many thousands of families of this state.

"The marvelous record of the Woodmen of the World can be traced greatly to the loyalty and enthusiastic support given us by the people of this state. We enjoy doing business here and we hope we will always be able to play an important part in bringing happiness and future security to the families of this state who suffer the loss of their bread winners."

"The maintenance of the War Memorial hospital at San Antonio, Texas is one of the great services performed by the Woodmen of the World. Patients are cared for free of charge in an institution that contains every possible means of renewing the health of our members. Of the 3,000 patients that have been cared for a majority have been returned to their homes cured and in a position to become useful citizens of the nationwide communities in which they live."

Mr. Fraser announced that the Woodmen of the World is 103% solvent and now has \$89,000,000 in municipal bond holdings in its reserve. A large portion of these bonds have been invested in this state, thus aiding in the building of the state's roads, schools, and various public improvements.

"The Woodmen of the World is now the richest fraternal life insurance association in the world," said Mr. Fraser.

IN MEMORY OF MR. R. W. COOK

The way of Providence can never be fully understood by mortals. Our visions are too limited to see beyond our sphere of human activities. Perhaps it is best that this should be so. Doubtless what we would desire and think we needed most the Allwise Father must deny us, for "In Him we live, and move, and have our being." Happy and wise is he who bows in humble and willing submission to His mandates, and in earnest resignation seeks His guidance and presses on.

It is not for us to know why one so useful and beloved as our great citizen and friend, Mr. R. W. Cook should be called from the walks of men when it seems he had reached his best period in life for service and blessing to his community. A devoted husband and father; a generous and loyal neighbor; a true citizen capable and willing to lead or follow in every useful and worthy enterprise for his community. Nowhere will his leadership and wise counsel be missed more than in our school. As a member of the board of trustees for several years, Mr. Cook was always awake to our school interests and cheerfully gave his time and support to its improvements, ever mindful of his responsibility to the children's best interests.

The high character and worthy deeds of Mr. Cook have left an indelible impression upon our entire community and it can be truly said that the world is better for his having lived and this community shall never cease to rever and honor his name.

Our school, both faculty and students, extend sincerest sympathy to his sorrowing family and beg them to remember that

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F. F. FOWLER BURIED AT ABILENE

F. F. Fowler, age 65 years, father of A. C. Fowler, of Belle Plaine, died at his home in Wichita Falls on Wednesday, January 16th. The body was carried to Abilene, his former home, for burial, funeral services being held at the Cypress Street Church of Christ Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. F. R. Shepard, assisted by Rev. F. P. Speck. Deceased is survived by another son, C. A. Fowler of Abilene and two daughters, who live in Wichita Falls. Burial was made in Cedar Hill cemetery, Abilene.

Wm. M. STEWART DIES AT BIG SPRING AT AGE OF 76

Funeral services for Wm. M. Stewart, 76 years, who passed away at his home in the R. Bar community shortly after noon Saturday were held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock by the Methodist minister. Burial in the Salem cemetery.

Deceased is survived by several children and other near relatives. Two sons from Amarillo and a brother of Waco, were the only ones able to come to Big Spring for the funeral services.

Mr. Stewart is an old time resident of Howard County and has been engaged in the farming and ranching industry for many years. Mr. Stewart formerly lived at Tecumseh and many old friends will learn with regret of his death.

BAIRD GIRL AT TRINITY UNIVERSITY

Waxachie, Tex. Jan. 21, 1929—Miss Ruth Simmons, of Baird presented an arrangement of Booth Tarkington's "Seventeen" in a recital given by the Speech Arts department of Trinity university here recently.

After the recital the Trinity University Players club presented a one-act play "Jean Marie" in which appeared Carolyn Fox, of Lampasas; Ernest Bogart, of Smithville, and Madison Rayburn of Slaton.

The Players Club produces an average of two one-act plays a month and three feature plays a year. The next long play to be given by the club will be "John Ferguson, a four act tragedy."

The Trinity Players last year won third place in the Little Theatre tournament of Texas, and this year will send a play to the state tournament to be held in Houston.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State Of Texas,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting.

You Are Hereby Commanded to summon Texas Emigration and Land Company, its unknown successors and assigns of James Guthrie, Thomas Colman, and Willie Terry both individually and as trustees of said Texas Emigration and Land Company, of the unknown heirs of the said James Guthrie, Thomas Colman and Willie Terry, and their legal representatives, and the unknown owners and each and all persons owning and claiming an interest in land set out herein: by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next term of the District Court of Callahan County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Baird, Texas, on the First Monday in March A. D. 1929 the same being the 4th day of March A. D. 1929, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 8th day of December A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 7298, wherein John Bull, Mary C. Price, joined pro forma by her husband George T. Price, Henrietta Bull feme sole Mary Bull Brown and her husband Stuart S. Brown, Ella Bull Snively a feme sole joined by her trustee, The Louisville Trust Company, a corp, are Plaintiffs, and The Texas Emigration and Land Company, its unknown successors and assigns of James Guthrie, Thomas Colman, and William Terry, both individually and as the trustees of said Texas Emigration Land Company, of the unknown heirs of the said James Guthrie, Thomas Colman, and Willie Terry and their legal representatives, and the unknown owners and each and all persons owning and claiming an interest in and to the hereinafter described lands. Defendant, and said petition alleging:

That on the first day of November A. D. 1928 as joint owners in the proportions hereinafter named the plaintiffs were lawfully seized and possessed of the following tract of parcel of land situated partly in Callahan Co., Texas and partly in Eastland County, Texas surveying for the Texas Emigration and Land Company, on November 17th 1853, being known as survey No. 2055, containing, 320 acres of land surveyed by virtue of Certificate No. 2055, dated April 15, A. D. 1852, and patented by the State of Texas to the Texas Emigration and Land Company on September 2nd, 1858, by patent No. 361, in Vol. 21, Records of the General Land Office of the State of Texas said land described by field notes as follows: to-wit: Beginning at a stake on the East side of a hill, the N. W. corner of survey No. 2052, from which a live oak 5 in. dia. bears N. 42 E. 19 vrs. a P. O. 10 in. dia. bears S 42 E. 22 8-10 vrs; Thence North crossing Hubbard's Creek 1344 vrs. to a stake from which a P. O. 10 in. dia. bears S. 32 1/2 W. 11 8-10 vrs.; Thence East at 215 1/2 vrs. Hubbards Creek at 1344 vrs. a stake from which a P. O. 10 in. dia. bears N. 49 1/2 W. 3-10 vrs. a live oak 6 in. dia. brs. S. 27 E 7 9-10 vrs.; Thence South crossing Austin and Fort Belknap road 1344 vrs. to a stake from which a P. O. 6 in. dia. brs. N. 89 E. 48 4-10 vrs. a live oak 8 in. dia. brs. S. 60 1/2 E. 42 7-10 vrs.; Thence West at 148 9-10 Austin and Fort Belknap road, at 1240 vrs. Hubbard's Creek, at 1344 varas the Place of Beginning. Bearing are marked T. E. L. C. That on the said November 1, 1928, the said defendants unlawfully entered upon the said lands and premises and dispossessed Plaintiffs thereof, and now unlawfully withhold from Plaintiffs their rightful possession thereof, and now unlawfully withhold from Plaintiffs their rightful possession thereof; to their damage in the sum of the value of said premises.

2. That the Plaintiff John Bull owns an undivided five-eighths of said land; that the Plaintiff Mary C. Price owns an undivided two-eighths of said land; that the Plaintiff Henrietta Bull owns an undivided two-eighths of said land, that the defendant and Mary Bull Brown owns an undivided three eighths of said land and that the Plaintiff Ella Bull Snively owns an undivided six-eighths of said land, but her said trustee, The Louisville Trust Company of Louisville, Kentucky, holds her title to the same in trust for her.

3. That the original Patent No. 361 Volume 21 issued by the State of Texas said land, has been lost by Plaintiffs and can not be found, and was not recorded either in Callahan or Eastland Counties, and from the records of the State of Texas, the Commissioners of the General Land office has had made a true and correct photostat copy of said Patent, copy of said patent duly certified to him as true and correct, and Plaintiffs pray that this court may order said Phos-

totat recorded in the said Counties.

Wherefore Premises considered Plaintiffs pray that the said defendants may be cited by publication to appear and answer this suit, and that upon final hearing hereof, said Plaintiffs may have judgment against said defendant for the title and possession of the said land and premises, in the proportions in which they own same as set out above, and that the cloud upon their title be removed and that they recover their costs and they pray for relief both general and special legal and equitable, to which in the premises they may be entitled.

Herein Fail Not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas this 11th day of December A. D. 1928

Kate Hearn McClary, Clerk,
3-4t. District Court, Callahan Co.

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Mrs. E. L. Counts,
7-2t. Manager.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PAROLE

This is to notify the public that I am asking that my husband, Lon McNeill, be paroled. He is now serving a term of eighteen months in the Penitentiary for violating the Liquor laws of Texas.
6-4t. Mrs. Lon McNeill.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

Dog tax was due on Jan. 1, 1929. The 1929 day tags are here at the City Marshals' office where you pay the dog tax, which must be paid by Feb. 1st, or the dog catcher will get your dog and put him in the pound, and you will have to pay a fine to get him out. Remember this.

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SLAYER WHO FEARED KISS IS GIVEN LIFE

Youth Is Sent to Prison for Killing Girl.

New York.—The seventeen-year-old murderer, who was afraid of a kiss, has been sentenced to prison for life. He is Vincent T. Rice, a Staten Island boy, and he slew his fifteen-year-old sweetheart, Alice Joost, when she asked him for a kiss.

Having heard two alienists express their opinion that the boy's act was committed under the influence of an impulsive terror of intimacy with girls—probably the effect of a too intensive religious training on a backward mind and an undeveloped sexual instinct—Justice Selah B. Strong allowed the boy to change his plea from not guilty to guilty of murder in the second degree.

The opinion of these two mental experts corroborated the statement Rice had made in his signed confession, that the murder was unpremeditated, an act born of his exaggerated horror of a kiss which he said Alice Joost offered to give him.

Breaks Down and Weeps.

Rice, a pale, good-looking boy neatly dressed in a brown suit and maroon tie, who had sat stolidly chewing gum and leaning on his hand during the taking of testimony, showed his first sign of emotion when, after the courtroom had been cleared, he suddenly began to weep on his brother's arm.

After Medical Examiner George Mord had described the condition in which he found the body of Miss Joost the night of November 2, Mrs. Lucille Joost, mother of the dead girl, a white-haired woman all in black, calmly told how, when she returned to her home that evening, she found her daughter's body across the bed in her room, with a gash on her forehead and a piece of electric light wire tightly twisted around her throat.

Then Rice's confession, signed the day after the murder, was read. In it Rice told of his afternoon with Alice in the Joost home, how they sang and played the piano, how, at dusk, Alice tried to kiss him, and asked him to "be a good sport"; how her actions and words filled him with uncontrollable anger, how he struck her down and then, overcome with fear, struggled her with wire.

Afraid of Kiss.

Then came the scientific description of Rice as a young man deeply repressed sexually, afraid of girls, afraid that to kiss them might cause him serious physical harm, who reacted with terrible violence when a girl offered him a caress.

Dr. George H. Kirby, an alienist of 1111 Park avenue, engaged by the boy's family, was called to the stand. He had examined Rice in jail, he said, and found him constitutionally inferior.

"Do you think," asked the district attorney, "that this murder was premeditated?"

"No, in my opinion, it was not," Doctor Kirby testified. "I look upon his whole act as impulsive and unpremeditated."

Q.—How did the defendant explain his act to you? A.—He said he had struck the deceased in order to protect his honor and preserve his health.

Q.—How would you describe the defendant's life? A.—It was one of intense repression. I attribute this to his religious training and the home influence.

Doctor Kirby went on to explain that Rice had had epileptic fits from the age of one to four, and that these had undoubtedly resulted in his being mentally and sexually retarded. Somewhere, he said, the boy had acquired a real fear of intimacy with girls, which would explain his abhorrence, when, if his confession was truthful, the girl attempted to kiss him.

Air-Traffic Cops Make

219 Arrests in Year

Washington.—Air-traffic cops have made 219 arrests without a single complaint that the aerial bluecoats were sleeping on their posts.

Fifty inspectors of the Department of Commerce air regulations division, charged with arresting and prosecuting air-traffic violators, have been on the job throughout the country for more than a year.

Sixty-five of the offenders drew fines of \$3,000 to \$5,000 for their offenses, while 116 were reprimanded. One hundred ninety-five cases have come up for hearing since the division was organized.

Charges included landing in an authorized section, low flying over congested areas, stunt flying with passengers aboard and carrying explosives.

Princess Gets Tortoise From Japanese Diplomat

London.—A valuable tortoise, a present from a Japanese diplomat, is the latest pet of little Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the duke and duchess of York. The tortoise has markings of red and orange, denoting its aristocratic pedigree, and has been named "Madame Butterfly." One of the first things the little princess does on getting up in the morning is to go into the garden and feed her tortoise its cabbage treat.

Serious Problem

One trying need of the day seems to be a method of disposing of old automobiles. So many have been dumped secretly on vacant lots in the Bronx that the board of trade is discussing the problem.



1—Singing tower on Bok's bird preserve in Florida, dedicated February 1 in the presence of President Coolidge and other notables. 2—New insignia for air mail pilots accepted by the Post-Office department. 3—Dollar line steamship President Garfield which ran aground in the Bahamas, all her passengers being removed safely.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Senate Votes \$24,000,000 to President to Use in Dry Law Enforcement.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

DISREGARDING the earnest protest of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, the senate last week tacked on to the deficiency bill an amendment, offered by Senator Harris of Georgia and then much altered, appropriating \$24,000,000 to be placed in the hands of the President "to be used as he sees fit" in increasing the personnel of the federal agencies charged with enforcement of the prohibition law. The senators also voted \$250,000 for the prohibition investigation proposed by President Elect Hoover. The vote on the former item was 50 to 27, and party and wet and dry lines were disregarded. Many prominent wets voted for the amendment and as many leading dries were against it. Mr. Mellon had warned the senators against appropriating such a huge sum in advance of a definite plan for its expenditure. Bishop Thomas Nicholson, president of the Anti-Saloon league; Bishop James Cannon, Jr., of the Methodist church, South, and E. L. Crawford, secretary of that organization's board of temperance and social service, had sent Mr. Mellon a telegram demanding that he support the Harris amendment or admit he was unwilling or unable to enforce prohibition. This drew from Senator Bruce of Maryland a fierce denunciation of those three men in the debate before the roll call.

As finally passed by the senate, the deficiency appropriation measure also carried an amendment requiring public hearings on all tax refunds in excess of \$10,000. The bill carried \$75,000,000 for tax refunds to be added to the \$130,000,000 heretofore appropriated for that purpose.

There were strong indications that the conferees on this bill would reject the \$24,000,000 prohibition item but would accept the appropriation for the inquiry desired by Mr. Hoover.

RADICALS and pacifists in the senate were successful in checking progress on the 15-cruiser bill although they would not admit that they were filibustering against it. Representative Fred Britten, chairman of the naval affairs committee of the house, devised a plan that rather dismayed the opponents of the measure. Mr. Britten took steps to add the cruiser authorization bill and an initial appropriation for the ships to the annual naval appropriation bill shortly to come before the house. This procedure would have the effect of discharging the senate from further consideration of the cruiser authorization measure. With the provision for the cruisers incorporated in the appropriation bill, the pacifists could defeat the cruisers only by defeating the entire bill for upkeep of the navy in the next fiscal year.

Mr. Britten laid his plan before President Coolidge and afterward he said the President indicated a desire to have the cruisers authorized and built but advocated elimination of the provision of the bill requiring the laying down of five cruisers each year. He wants no appropriations made by this congress that would enlarge the surplus in the treasury. Mr. Coolidge, Senator Curtis and Senator Hale all believed the senate would soon pass the cruiser bill.

ON MONDAY the senate confirmed the appointment of Roy O. West of Chicago as secretary of the interior. The vote was 53 to 27, the negatives including the radicals and near radicals of both parties.

HERBERT HOOVER finally succeeded in getting to Miami Beach for his rest period that will last until just prior to his inauguration. Southern Florida turned out en masse to welcome him, and Miami and Miami Beach were gayly decorated. After a big parade that included fourteen bands, the keys to Miami and two fine fishing rods were presented to Mr. Hoover in the city park. Among the

notables who greeted him were Mrs. William Jennings Bryan, who rides in a wheel chair, and Jack Dempsey. Mr. Hoover was soon taken to the J. C. Penney home on Belle Island in Biscayne bay. One of his first callers was Stuart W. Cramer, a wealthy cotton manufacturer of Charlotte, N. C., who helped swing his state to the Republican column last fall. He was a classmate of Secretary of the Navy Wilbur at Annapolis and the correspondents at once guessed he might be given Mr. Wilbur's portfolio as a recognition of the new political South. Mr. Cramer did not discourage this idea, but declared that Mr. Hoover did not mention the subject of cabinet appointments during the call. Dwight Morrow, ambassador to Mexico, who was in Miami on his way home from a vacation in Nassau, took breakfast with the President-Elect Thursday, and then all appointments were put off until the next week and Mr. Hoover and the members of his immediate party left for a two days' trip to the Florida keys to get some fishing. Two fishing yachts carried them.

OKLAHOMA is in a fair way to get rid of another governor—a habit they have down there. The state's house of representatives voted six impeachment charges against Gov. Henry S. Johnston, and the senate suspended him from office pending an impeachment trial. Lieut. Gov. W. J. Holloway has taken his place. The charges against Johnston include incompetency, corruption in office and violation of the constitution and laws of the state. The name of Mrs. O. O. Hammonds, comely confidential secretary of Johnston, figures prominently in hearings of both house and senate investigating committees. She is charged by political enemies with wielding great influence over Johnston's official acts.

DR. CLARENCE COOK LITTLE, president of the University of Michigan, has resigned, effective September 1, 1929, and asked for leave of absence from June 30 until that date. In his letter to the board of regents Doctor Little said: "For some time two things have been increasingly apparent. First, that my methods of handling situations dealing with interests of private donors, political interest, local interests, and alumnae interest are not consistent with policies which the board of regents deems wise.

"Second, that I shall, I hope, be more effective in scientific research and teaching than in administration." There has been much bitter debate over Doctor Little's pronounced views ever since he became Michigan's sixth president in 1925.

CONDITIONS in Afghanistan are exceedingly confused. Habibullah, the rebel chief, after capturing Kabul, was proclaimed king of that part of the country, but a lot of the tribesmen are said to be opposed to his rule, and Amanullah, who abdicated, is trying to form an army of the disaffected ones in order to regain his throne. Habibullah is not getting the support he expected from Russia and it is not believed he can retain the crown he grabbed. The bulk of the original Afghan army is said to be still loyal to Amanullah, due to the influence of the military governor of Jalalabad, who is the former ruler's cousin. The Hindus of Lahore and various Moslem organizations of India are appealing for financial aid for Amanullah.

AT A meeting of the Peasants' league of Mexico, which represents half a million agrarians, the radical leaders put through resolutions demanding laws that would come near to Sovietizing the country. They demanded the abolition of the federal house of deputies and the senate and legislatures in the 28 Mexican states and the substitution of councils formed of peasant's, small farmers and the working classes, to the exclusion of nonlaborers and intellectuals. Suspension of the payment of national and foreign debts, the immediate extinction of illiteracy and the establishment of schools in every city, village and ranch were also urged. They proposed division of all the remaining haciendas and ranches among the peasants, although less than 25 per cent of the lands given

to them under agrarian law during the last ten years are now being worked.

SEVERE winter storms on land and sea were responsible for a number of tragic occurrences. Near Bellevue, Ohio, a motor bus, running through a blinding snowstorm, was struck by an interurban car and 19 persons were killed. Several steamships were in distress off the Atlantic coast. The Italian freighter Florida was foundering off the Virginia capes when the America went to her aid and rescued the crew of 32 despite a full gale and high seas. The American tanker Dannedakie lost her rudder but made her way toward Bermuda. But the British freighter Teesbridge was believed to have gone down with her crew of 30 men. She called for help off Cape Race and ships that hastened to the location given could find no trace of the vessel. Earlier in the week the Dollar liner President Garfield, on a world cruise, ran on a reef in the Bahamas. Fortunately the sea was calm there and all the 89 passengers were safely taken off by the Munson liner Pan-America and landed at Nassau.

CHARLES R. CRANE of Chicago, former minister to China, had a miraculous escape from death at the hands of Wababi tribesmen near Basra. Motoring to Koweit with his son, J. C. Crane, Charles Johnson and Rev. Dr. Henry Bilkerk of the American mission at Basra he was waylaid and fired upon and Doctor Bilkerk was killed. None of the others was injured. The State department at Washington said that the attack might be explained by a feud between some of the tribes and others that are under the leadership of Ibn Saud, a personal friend of Mr. Crane.

The Iraq government resigned last week because of disputes with Great Britain over unfulfilled promises of the British in regard to autonomy.

GUATEMALA had one of those attempted revolutions, three provinces being affected, and for a few days it looked rather serious. But the government forces took the field and effectually suppressed the affair. The headquarters of the rebels in Mazatenango, a seaport, were bombed by airplanes and the city was occupied by the federal troops. All rebel leaders who were captured were court-martialed and executed.

ONCE more the old scheme of constructing a tunnel under the English channel between England and France has been revived. Questioned in parliament, Prime Minister Baldwin stated that a nonpartisan re-examination of the project would be made. At the same time the French committee for constructing the tunnel adopted a resolution pledging collaboration with the efforts to get the approval of the British parliament. Economists have long advocated the construction of such a tunnel, but it has always been opposed by military strategists. The English Socialists now favor the examination of the project provided the military are excluded. Engineers say the channel here could be built at a cost of about \$150,000,000, and the railways like the idea. There is also revived discussion of the center plan of building a 21-mile bridge from Dover to Calais.

DETROIT river froze over, with only a narrow strip of open water, and coincidentally Sumner C. Sleeper, chief of the Detroit customs patrol, and a dozen of his men, quit their jobs. The immediate result was a grand rush of the rum runners. Small autos, sleighs, little skiffs and even skis and toboggans were brought out in great numbers and the liquor smugglers brought their cargoes across from the Canada shore without the least interruption and in the full sight of hundreds who lined the shores.

WORD comes from Moscow that the Russian Communist party has declared war to the death on the party of the exiled Leon Trotsky, accusing it of an anti-Soviet plot. One hundred and fifty of Trotsky's followers have been arrested and quantities of documents seized. Dispatches from Latvia say many of the men taken have been executed.



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P. J. CONNALLY BUYS BENHAM'S FIFTH ST. HOME IN CISCO

A real estate deal has just been consummated in which one of the most desirable pieces of residence properties in Cisco changed hands, and by which Cisco loses one of this city's oldest and most highly esteemed families. The large and handsome residence of Henry Benham, at 510 West Fifth street, passes to the ownership of P. J. Connally, who is moving into the property today. Mr. and Mrs. Benham are moving to Breckenridge where they have purchased a home. Mr. and Mrs. Connally have been occupying one of the Epang houses, at 304 West Sixths street, for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Benham are moving to Breckenridge on account of their interests there, as Mr. Benham owns and operates an oil tank plant in that city, where he is a large builder of tanks for the oil field.

The Benham residence property is a splendid building situated in one of the most desirable blocks in the residence section of Cisco.

In the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Benham from this city Cisco loses one of its most estimable families here. Mrs. Benham has been prominent in social affairs of Cisco, and society folk will miss her from their circles. Mr. Benham has been prominent in the business life and early development of Cisco, being one of the original owners of the Cisco ice and

telephone systems, until he engaged in the tank building enterprise, which has required his absence from the city much of the time.—Cisco News.

FARM BUILT BY TERRACING.

The best terraced farm in Colli county is now a paying proposition, where five years ago, before the terraces were built, it was one of the poorest of hillside farms. It belongs to Dan Wall and has been terraced by his son Marvin who has terraced every acre, and even the yard, with the help of the county agent. While neighbors were making a bale to four acres this year Mr. Wall made more than a third of a bale to the acre, and his yield of brain sorghum heads beat the community average three times over.

It took him fourteen days to do the work with the help of a man, a grader and six mules, and he says he received better than \$100 per day for every day he thus spent. "The total increased production due to terracing is \$1035 this year," states Mr. Wall, "and we have also had some increase in previous years. There used to be ditches deeper than I am tall but they are level now and producing well. The branch that runs across the place used to be grown up all around in weeds and cockleburbs but now we have good crops of seeded ribbon ears and grain sorghums there. On this waste land I get more than \$100 of the above mentioned feed each year."

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