

# The Baird Star.

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## THE LORD'S CHILDREN

### Added Variety To The Tabernacle Service Last Saturday Night Most Uniquely

The Cooperative Evangelistic Meeting at The Tabernacle, despite the torrid weather, still continues to draw good audiences at night, who manage to keep cool by vigorous use of the palm leaf fans, contributed for their use by the First Guaranty State Bank and the Holmes Drug Company.

The musical portion of the services, under the skilful direction of Singer O. A. Cheek, harmoniously seconded by Pianist N. M. Boggess, and rounded out by the choristers, senior and junior, are most pleasing and helpful features.

The sermons preached by Dr. E. Surface are of a most wholesome and helpful character to those seeking the Kingdom of Christ as their ultimate and eternal salvation. They all breathe the true spirit of the Fatherhood of God and the Fellowship of Man, that brand of Christianity which causes one to accept this brief life on earth as only preparatory to the life everlasting, where we are all recognized and rewarded solely by the deeds done well on earth.

The congregations sorely miss the services of Rev. W. J. Mayhew, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who was called suddenly to Bangs, Brown County, by the receipt of a telegram announcing the unexpectedly sudden and serious illness of his venerable mother, and the heartfelt sympathy and sorrowful prayers of the entire community went out to him when news reached here Tuesday night that this venerable follower of the Great Shepherd had passed on to her eternal reward.

Saturday, in the Tabernacle services was Children's Day, and, under the capable direction of Singer O. A. Cheek, these little Bearers of the Blessed Cross, the "Baird Boosters," added a pleasing and unique variety to the services, and were much appreciated and vociferously applauded.

These boosters, each bearing aloft a National Flag and led by Singer Cheek, invaded Market Street just before the Saturday night meeting began, and their yells and songs literally made the "welkin ring," and attracted large crowds of delighted and applauding spectators. The procession, a hundred strong, of bright-eyed boys and girls, paraded down Market Street on the west side, deafening one with their shrill yells. At the south corner of Mac Bell Avenue they formed a circle about the "white light" post and sang and sang and yelled for ten minutes in musical unison.

On its march back to the Tabernacle, the procession again halted at the corner of Eugene Bell Avenue, where they again "ringed" the white lights and again musically boosted Baird and tunefully advertised the Big Meeting.

They opened the night services at the Tabernacle, and their contributions to the program were notably unique and inspiring. Their songs,

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## NEW DUDLEY OIL FIELD ATTRACTING ATTENTION

The new Dudley Oil Well, which is 22 miles southwest of Baird and equally distant from Abilene, but is in Callahan County and not in Taylor County, as many people are misled into believing because of erroneous newspaper reports, was uncapped Wednesday morning at nine o'clock and flowed continuously for an hour or more.

In the afternoon it was reported to be flowing by heads, and it was said spouted over the derrick three times, there being a strong show of gas in the well. The oil was pumped into the fuel tank, but yesterday morning it was diverted into the pipe line, recently completed, connecting with the storage tanks.

The Betcher No. 2 Well, to be drilled by the Dudley Oil, Gas and Development Company, will be spudded in Sunday. Star rigs for Bailey Nos. 1 and 2 have been set up and Chrane No. 1 will be spudded in next week.

Eight new locations are being made by the Dudley Oil, Gas and Development Company and five new rigs have arrived and will be set up at once. The Dudley field is attracting a great deal of attention, and Sunday last it is estimated there were 1,500 visitors to the field.

These visitors were treated to a demonstration. Dudley Well No. 1 was uncapped for four or five minutes and the oil, it is reported, shot 80 feet in the air. Experts say it will make from 250 to 300 barrels a day.

In the Putnam field the shallow tests are attracting much attention, and the drillers are so successful that several of them have resolved to inspect the deep sand output on a large scale.

At a depth of 300 feet a 12-foot depth of pay sand is found, the oil grades high and most of the tests made have developed into paying wells. The high lines of the West Texas Utilities Company cover this field and the walls are electrically pumped.

### DEATH FROM PTOMAIN POISON

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland received the sad news yesterday morning that their grand-daughter, Mrs. James B. VanDeren, of El Paso, was in a serious condition and her little daughter, Dycie, two years old was dead from ptomaine poison, which they got in eating ice cream.

Mrs. VanDeren was formerly Miss Jamie Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Walker, of Balmore, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Walker and family went to El Paso on receipt of the news. The body of the baby will probably be taken to Balmore for burial.

We often think of poor old Mark Twain, when his daughter who had been afflicted from childhood, met a tragic death. After gazing long and sorrowfully upon her white face, he remarked, "only the dead are happy." It looks like that only the dead are safe from injury and sorrow in this world. Few are free from sorrow, and in nearly every home is one or more vacant chairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sigal, of Shafter Lake, Texas, are visiting friends in Baird.

## THE COYOTES VICTORIOUS

### Last Sunday In Fast Game With Breckenridge, The Score Being Seven To Two

The Baird Coyotes credited themselves with another victory at Tee-Pee Park last Sunday, when, in a fast game with Breckenridge, they proved themselves victors by a score of 7 to 2.

This makes the sixth game played by the Coyotes this season in the West Texas Sunday League series, in four of which they were victorious. Next Sunday the Coyotes will tackle Eastland on the latter's field.

It was a two-hour game and there were a number of brilliant plays which were riotously applauded, particularly the snappy grab in mid-field of a hot liner in the ninth inning by Shortstop Manuels, which retired the visitors.

While Breckenridge had three errors chalked up against them, the Coyotes scored perfection. The umpire was McIntosh.

The following was the score:

BAIRD						
	Ab	R	H	Po	A	E
Wright, 2b.....	4	0	0	2	3	0
Wristen, 3b.....	4	1	0	3	2	0
Bouchette, cf.....	4	1	1	0	0	0
G. Hall, 1b.....	4	2	3	20	0	0
E. Hall, rf.....	3	2	2	0	0	0
Manuel, ss.....	4	1	1	3	5	0
L. Ray, c.....	4	0	1	1	2	0
Patton, lf.....	4	0	1	1	0	0
Bennett, p.....	4	0	0	0	5	0
Totals.....	35	7	9	30	17	0

BRECKENRIDGE						
	Ab	R	H	Po	A	E
Nickelson, 1b7.....	4	0	1	9	2	0
King, lf.....	4	0	1	0	0	0
Gibson, cf.....	4	1	1	-1	0	0
K. Morgan, rf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0
Gober, ss.....	4	0	1	2	4	1
O. Morgan, c.....	3	0	3	7	1	1
Rogers, 2b.....	1	0	1	2	2	0
Tucker, 3b.....	4	0	0	2	2	1
Carter, p.....	4	0	0	1	1	0
Totals.....	31	2	9	24	12	3

Recapitulation—Three base hit: G. Hall. Two base hits: G. Hall, E. Hall, Manuel, Gibson. Stolen bases: G. Hall 1, E. Hall 2, Manuel 1, E. Morgan 1. Double play: Manuel to Wright to G. Hall. Struck out: Carter 4, Bennett 1. Bases on balls: Carter 1, Bennett 2. Left on base: Breckenridge 7, Baird 5. Earned runs: Breckenridge 2, Baird 6. Time of game: Two hours.

Percy Roberts, Official Scorer.

Batting Average of Baird Players Down to Date:			
	AB	R	Av'r'ge
E. Hall.....	24	6	.417
Bouchette.....	21	4	.380
G. Hall.....	23	5	.350
Manuel.....	15	1	.266
L. Ray.....	24	1	.250
R. Ray.....	8	0	.250
Patton.....	19	1	.210
Wright.....	25	3	.200
Wristen.....	18	3	.167
Bennett.....	13	1	.154
Hildreth.....	7	1	.143
Team Average.....	269		

Result of Last Sunday's Games: Baird defeated Breckenridge at Baird, 7 to 2. Moran defeated Putnam at Moran, 7 to 1; Cisco defeated Eastland at Cisco, 9 to 8. Excelsior-Gorman Game not reported.

League Standing:				
Games pl'd	Won	L'st	Per c't	
Desdemona	3	3	0	1.000
Moran	6	5	1	.857
Baird	6	3	2	.667
Eastland	3	1	2	.333
Gorman	3	1	2	.333

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## BAIRD'S FAMOUS BAND TO BE REORGANIZED

Baird people miss their once famous Band and Star readers will be gratified to learn that it is to be reorganized and a competent instructor-leader secured.

At the regular meeting of the Baird Luncheon Club, last Friday night, in the Methodist Church basement, where the Baptist ladies served a most delectable luncheon, this matter was taken up, and ten members of the club guaranteed the instructor's first month's salary, and a leader will be secured at once. In the meantime guarantee pledges for the continued upkeep of the band will be secured.

## CALLAHAN COUNTY BANKS ARE IN FINE CONDITION

The seven banks in Callahan County are in fine condition, as shown by their several reports at the close of business, Monday, June 30, their total resources being \$2,044,080.11, as follows:

First National Bank of Baird, \$582,515.71; First Guaranty State Bank of Baird, \$374,826.54; First Guaranty State Bank of Cross Plains, \$263,863.54; Farmers State Bank of Putnam, \$263,444.87; Farmers National Bank of Cross Plains, \$237,444.25; First Guaranty State Bank of Clyde, \$165,196.55; Clyde National Bank, \$156,888.65.

## THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK'S NEW MANGANESE STEEL SAFE

Will Hinds, Bob Norrell, Howard Farmer and the rest of the money handlers at the First National Bank, are ecstatic over the installation of their new Mosler Manganese Steel safe, weighing 3200 pounds, which will keep burglars and safe looters at bay for days and days, for it is too complicated to be "juiced" and an acetylene torch will only succeed in heating the metal to a white heat, and when it cools it will be as hard as ever and just as bright and polished and impenetrable, unless—you have the magic "combination," which the First National's official "safe opener," keeps jealously hidden under his hat.

This safe was manufactured by the Mosler Safe Company of Hamilton, Ohio and Dallas, Texas. The door to this money-box weighs as much as a bale of cotton, is eleven inches thick and of the screw type. At the bottom of the safe is a roomy drawer, with a combination lock, in which valuable papers can be stored. But there—go up personally and inspect this modern money box, of which Honest Bob Norrell is as proud as a bantam hen of her first brood of chicks. He will be prouder to receive some of your surplus cash to lock up in it.

George W. Symonds has been appointed, for the third consecutive time, Election News Reporter for the Texas Election Bureau, with headquarters at Baird. He asks the cooperation of all Precinct Election Officers in the County, to help him to repeat last election's record, when Callahan's complete vote was the first received at the Election Bureau's Dallas office. Messrs. Election Judges, phone him in at "Central, Baird," the complete vote of your county, as soon as the votes are counted and tabulated.

## CALLAHAN CHILDREN

### To Be Under Care Of A Trained Red Cross Nurse On And After Monday, Aug. 15

The direct benefits of the late health survey among the school children of Callahan County by Trained Red Cross Nurse Miss Stella Carter, are now becoming apparent. So much interest was taken by the parents in Nurse Carter's work and so many dormant ambitions were roused to make the Coming Men and Women of Callahan County not only mentally but physically fit to bear the burdens that in a few years automatically will fall upon their shoulders, that at the meeting of the Commissioners' Court this week, \$1,500 was appropriated and County Judge Victor B. Gilbert, was authorized to secure the services, for the period of one year, beginning Friday, August 15, of another Red Cross Nurse, to complete the excellent work started by Nurse Carter.

Fifteen hundred dollars of the people's money could not better be spent than in safeguarding and amending the health of the little ones who will—all too soon—step into our shoes and take upon their shoulders the management of this old world's business. The national government realizes this fact, and the National Child's Welfare Bureau will match the appropriation made by the County Commissioners, for the salary of the coming nurse is \$3,000 per year; and this amount will be drawn equally from the Federal and the County Treasuries.

Much of the ill-health found among Callahan County's children by Nurse Carter was traceable to such readily correctable causes as adenoids, tonsillitis, eye troubles and defective teeth, and the doctor's inform The Star that due to her advice, many children have been brought to them to have these defects corrected and there'll be many more brought to them for treatment when the new nurse arrives and assumes her duties.

### FORMER CALLAHAN RESIDENT DIES IN OKLAHOMA CITY

A message was received here last Friday by relatives, stating that Charley Hammonds, formerly a resident of this county, had died at the home of his son, Homer C. Hammonds of 3215 Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City. He leaves a widow who has been paralyzed for more than two years and two sons, one Ambrous E. Hammonds of 2611 Houston St. San Antonio, and the one mentioned above. He had nine grand-children, besides a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives. Mrs. Bob Reed and Mrs. Virgil of Baird, are nieces of the deceased. His only sister, Mrs. A. T. Young, of Belle Plaine, died some ten years ago and his sister-in-law, Mrs. A. W. Howell died two years later. Mr. Hammonds was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a Mason. Charley Hammonds was a good man and made friends wherever he went. The editor of The Star with other old time friends in this county regrets to learn of his death.

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We did not expect anything from the Democratic National Convention but will admit an agreeable surprise both in the platform and the nominees. True, the platform has a lot of bunk planks in it. Nothing else could be expected, however, when our eternal candidate for President, William Jennings Bryan had anything to do with shaping it, but the nominee is most surprising, as we did not believe a man with the commanding ability of John W. Davis could be nominated.

He was not our first or second choice, but if those who know him best are not mistaken, he is by far the intellectual superior of every candidate before that convention. He is the equal of the late President Wilson in learning, and his superior as a lawyer, because he ranks among the greatest lawyers of his time.

He was a friend and associate of President Wilson and held office under him, the last being Ambassador to Great Britain, the greatest diplomatic position any American can hold.

The only objection to him heard is that in his law practice he has had such clients as J. P. Morgan and other wealthy concerns in New York. That was Bryan's objection to him, while personally supporting McAdoo, Doheny's attorney.

Well, one thing, the Democrats will not have to defend Davis, a public or private record, because both are above reproach. He is a clean, honest, able, upright, upstanding American, with a record for honesty and integrity that, if elected, will place him high up with the ablest statesmen this country has ever produced.

We just want to congratulate the Democratic National Convention, Gentlemen, we did not believe you would do what you have done, and all Democrats should forget the unseemly scramble at New York for the two weeks the convention was in session.

What we like about the nomination of Davis: He was not a candidate; had no campaign committee and did not go near the convention while it was in session. Three or four of the leading candidates had been running for President three or four times. Underwood and McAdoo particularly have toured the country. McAdoo has been figuring, planning and working for this nomination for many years and had he kept clear of the Dohenys, Sinclairs and Morises, he would have undoubtedly won the nomination and had a better chance to win than any of the candidates, because he is without a peer as a campaigner.

His enemies admit this, but his clients, who have been robbing the Government, ruined his political fortunes and the party could not afford to nominate him.

The Dudley Oil Well seems to be creating more interest than any new well brought in in this county for a long time. If this well proves to be all expected of it, the oil fields in this county will be extended southwest for a distance of about 25 miles.

Leasing and selling royalties are said to be at fever heat. It is possible that the greatest oil field in this section is on the eve of development and an oil boom city will spring up at Dudley. We hope every settler out there will get rich.

**THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL TICKET**

Some may get the idea from The Star last week that the editor was skeptical of the success of the Democratic nominees. Well, that was true. We did feel blue at the time these editorials were written, along about the 90th ballot and seemingly no hope of a decision, but increasing bitterness each day.

However, by the nomination of John W. Davis of West Virginia and Governor Charles W. Bryan of Nebraska, the political view changed splendidly over night.

John W. Davis ranks among the greatest lawyers and statesmen of this country and, best of all, he is a man of unblemished character and with an official record as a Congressman, Solicitor-General under Woodrow Wilson, and later Ambassador to Great Britain during the last years of Wilson's administration, that no foe can attack nor partisan will have to defend.

He is the peer of Woodrow Wilson intellectually and his superior as a lawyer. They were close friends, as was natural. Governor Bryan is a brother of W. J. who, even before the former's nomination, had promised to support Davis, whom he had opposed on the floor of the convention.

Strange as it may seem, the convention, after two week's wrangling, nominated one of the strongest ticket that could have been selected. Davis never was an avowed candidate. His home town, in West Virginia, had boosted him for President for a few years, but all Mr. Davis would say was that the Presidency was too big for any man to seek or refuse if offered him.

This is one time that the Democratic nomination sought the man. Every one of the active candidates failed and all they succeeded in doing was to tie up the convention in a deadlock for 103 ballots. It was plain to the country—if not to the delegates present—after the first half dozen ballots, that neither McAdoo nor Smith, the two leading candidates, could be nominated, and they should have withdrawn.

However, all is well that ends well. We have a good ticket, one that every real Democrat can support with pride. That is the way we feel about it.

**VOTE STRAIGHT**

The war is over and our man, Underwood, lost; but The Star man is for Davis and Bryan heart and soul. Really, a better ticket than we hoped for after the two week's wrangling in the Democratic Convention. There is no good reason why any Democrat who favored any other candidate can not support John W. Davis for President and Governor Charles W. Bryan for Vice President.

One man in Baird (he don't live here) was heard to remark the other day: "Oh, hell! I won't vote for Davis, because the Democrats have sold out to Wall Street!" This man said he was for McAdoo,

but would now vote for LaFollette. The chances are this man is not and perhaps never was, a Democrat. If John W. Davis represented Wall Street, whom did William Gibbs McAdoo represent? His clients, like Davis's, were all wealthy and a part of Wall Street—C. W. Morris, Sinclair and Doheny, Republic Iron and Steel Company and the Hollywood Film Corporations. Some of these concerns are rated as among the wealthiest in the United States. If right for McAdoo to represent such concerns, why is it wrong for John W. Davis to represent J. Pierpont Morgan and others of Wall Street?

It is recorded that Davis, on two occasions, represented Union Labor as its attorney. It is not on record that McAdoo has, in the past six years, ever represented any client except Big Business, and then more as a claim agent before the Departments over which he presided before he resigned.

There is no record that he ever had a case in court. On the other hand, John W. Davis has long been regarded as one of the great lawyers of the country. If men of the commanding ability and unsullied character of John W. Davis, are barred from the Presidency because they are able to command large fees as lawyers, then none but the mediocre class of lawyers may aspire to that great office.

John W. Davis was not a candidate. He said the office of President was too big for any man to seek. His friends of his home town in West Virginia alone brought him out and only spent about \$5,000 for leaflets setting forth his availability. This is one time that the nomination sought the man. Wall Street had no more to do with the nomination of John W. Davis than the editor of The Star had, who was for another man; but, being a Democrat who has never failed to support a Democratic ticket, State or National, for fifty years is for him.

We are for the Democratic ticket and, to be frank about it, we believe it is the best ticket that has been put out by any party since 1860. One thing we are proud of is that no Democrat will have to apologize for the ticket.

Another thing: The next President will be either a Republican or a Democrat, and we are fair enough to admit that the Republicans have a ticket of two clean, outstanding men of character and ability, and, about all the average voter gets out of it anyway is to put good men in office, if possible, and let us pursue our own way unhampered by too much law; and, in this case, no matter which ticket wins, the country is safe and the unprejudiced voter knows it.

Taylor County has never been able to secure an oil well, so the Abilene Reporter last week came over into Callahan County, swiped the Dudley Well and calls it an Abilene Well. That well is nearer to Baird, Clyde, Eula and Oplin—all of the County—than it is to Abilene.

Nothing like hitching on to big things, even if one has to go over into some other county for it. Clyde, outside of the Village of Dudley, has a far better right to claim this well than Abilene has.

There are a whole lot of oil wells in Callahan County in what is known as the Moran Field, six to 12 miles of Baird, but The Star never thought to claim them as Baird wells, though twice as near to Baird as the Dudley Well is to Abilene, and all in Callahan County.

The effort of the plucky Englishmen has failed a third time to reach the top of Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world. Two of the last expedition perished about 1,000

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In the Book of Job we find the Scripture: "Thou hast appointed his (man's) bounds that he cannot pass." While the passage has particular reference to man's days on earth, yet it may apply to other things. For ages men have dreamed of scaling the utmost heights of Mount Everest, but it seems that God has set man's bounds more than

a thousand feet below the top of the great mountain that man cannot pass.

The report of the last commission to undertake its ascent says that at a height of 27,000 feet up the mountain the view is the grandest ever beheld by man, that neither tongue nor pen can describe.

Belmont Shields, former owner and editor of the Cross Plains Review, the man who used to furnish "million dollar rains" quite frequently from the Cross Plains section, surprised The Star force Tuesday by a pop call. He had been on an auto trip to New Mexico and was on his way to Cross Plains. Mr. Shields is living in Louisiana.

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## PERSONALS

Freddie Wristen is visiting in Ft. Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brigtwell, were in from the ranch the first of the week.

Vernon Anderson, of San Antonio is visiting his mother, Mrs. L. Anderson.

Miss Anita McDaniel, of Sweetwater, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Holmes.

Miss Maggie Lou Price is visiting Mrs. W. H. Power and Mrs. Prew, at Sweetwater, this week.

Mrs. Ed Lambert and little daughter, Tiny, are visiting relatives in Roscoe, this week.

Mrs. Ray Garrett and little daughter, Dorothy Mae, are visiting relatives in Fort Worth, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Crutchfield, of Arizona, are visiting relatives in the Admiral country.

Mrs. P. T. Redding was called to Hamby Tuesday by the serious illness of her sister.

Mrs. H. L. Wise returned a few days ago from a visit with her mother in Fort Worth.

Misses Margurete Seale and Ruth Akers left Tuesday on an automobile trip to Glenco and other points in New Mexico.

Master Jimbo Crutchfield is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crutchfield, at Admiral this week.

Mrs. M. M. Terry left Saturday evening for Mobeetie, Texas to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Morgan.

Mrs. Russell Oliver, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. B. Holmes for several weeks, returned to her home in Menard, Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Berry has returned from Abilene, where she underwent a surgical operation in the Estes Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Davis and children have returned from Lubbock, Sweetwater, and Westbrook, where they visited relatives.

Mr. George Barker and family, who are moving from Waco to Oregon are visiting relatives in this county.

The Star force is indebted to Morgan Price, of Rowden, for a lot of nice red pears and apples, which he left at the office a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hearn, of San Angelo, were in Baird a short time last Friday, enroute to Breckenridge to visit their son, Wylie Hearn.

Measdames G. J. Ankele and Henry Richardson of Fort Worth, and the former's sister, Mrs. Carl Snapp of Ranger, were the week end guests of Mrs. M. A. Cline.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck White accompanied by their son, Clyde White, and daughters, Misses Thelma and Oleta White, returned Tuesday from an automobile trip to mountains of New Mexico.

Little Miss Lorene Chambers, of Fort Worth, who has been visiting Miss Ermadelle Berry, for several days, has returned home, accompanied by Miss Ermadelle, who will be her guest for a week.

Mrs. Jim Reed and daughter, Nora, who have been at the bedside of Mrs. Reed's brother, Milton Houston, in Cottonwood, for the past three weeks, returned to their home in Crosbytown, Tuesday.

Chief Justice C. M. Cureton, now serving his first term, is asking re-election. He is endorsed by the lawyers and bars generally throughout the state, for re-election. Judge Cureton was appointed to the chief justiceship, and elected in 1922 to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Nelson Phillips resigned and is now asking for his first full term.

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### BOLLWEEVIL CONTROL METHODS

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One of the most interesting features of boll weevil control to the cotton farmer is the "cost and profit" of applying measures. Referring to the use of calcium arsenate one expert has declared that, "It does not cost to dust—it does cost not to dust." A comparison of three methods of poisoning in an average of all tests conducted in the South in 1923 has been made and these figures show conclusively that it pays to use calcium arsenate in dust form. The comparison follows:

**Florida Method:** Untreated check-plots averaged a yield per acre of 288.7 pounds of seed cotton; treated plots average 514.3 pounds, a gain of 225.6 pounds at a cost of \$5.82 an acre with a profit of \$7.94.

**Sweetened Poisons:** Untreated check-plots averaged a yield of 688 pounds per acre, while treated plots averaged 768 pounds, a gain of 181 pounds at a cost of \$10.17 an acre and a profit of \$9.54.

**Calcium Arsenate in Dust Form:** Untreated checks averaged a yield of 566.6 pounds per acre, and untreated plots averaged 869.3 pounds, a gain of 302.7 pounds at a cost of \$7.74 and a profit of \$25.56.

Thus, it is shown that application of calcium arsenate in dust form increases the yield, lowers the cost and increases the profit. Poisoning by this method should be even more profitable this year under average weather conditions, as the price of calcium arsenate is somewhat lower and probably will not go higher provided farmers buy their supply early in the season.

Dusting with calcium arsenate should be applied with machines built especially for dusting cotton and the applications made only when the air is calm and the plants are moist. This usually means making only night applications. From five to seven pounds of calcium arsenate should be used to the acre.

There should be an interval of four or five days between applications unless a heavy rain follows one application. The cotton should be thoroughly dusted until the weevils are under control. This usually means about three applications. Applications should be renewed when the infestation again reaches 10 to 15 per cent.

Further information on boll weevil control measures may be obtained from the county agent, state college of agriculture or the National Boll Weevil Control Association, Room 220 Whitney building, New Orleans, Louisiana.

American sodas seem to be displacing tea as the national drink of Japan. That country is now the second largest importer of soda fountains, according to the department of commerce, having purchased \$18,850 worth since the first of the year. England is the largest importer of this commodity.

### TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

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#### CIRCUIT RIDER DAYS AND WAYS

Yours was not a man-made temple,  
Yours no pulpit wealth-endowed;  
God and you spoke in a cabin  
Where the humble meekly bowed.  
There you preached your gypsy gospel,  
Gave soul-night a happy dawn;  
Left them singing songs of Zion,  
Leaped your horse and journeyed on—  
"The Gospel Gypsy," by William Herschell.

IF EVER a frontier hall of fame is erected, this "gospel gypsy," the circuit rider, is sure of his niche. For these itinerant preachers who rode from settlement to settlement were heedless of all perils of weather or hostile Indians; fearless, unselfish and humble, they were fired with the zeal to carry the word of God to the farthest border of civilization.

The circuit rider must have counted strongly upon a "reward in heaven" for his earthly recompense was scanty enough. Perhaps the most famous of them all was Peter Cartwright, but even his salary was scarcely in proportion to his fame. The records of a quarterly conference of the Pulaski circuit in 1835 show that he received a three months' wage of \$16.97½, "quarterage" of \$2.12½, and 50 cents for traveling expenses, a total compensation of \$19.60.

Cartwright was an eccentric old fellow, stern of demeanor and caustic of tongue. He believed thoroughly in the future of the raw Western country in which he served and he had a great contempt for the narrow provincialism of the Atlantic seaboard. "They represent this country as a vast waste and its people as very ignorant," he once declared. "But if I was going to shoot a fool I would not take aim at a Western man. I would go down to the seashore and cock my fuses at those lumps who live on oysters."

The circuit riders preached in a day of rough living and more than once they were called upon to use physical strength in turning the particularly ungodly from the path of sin. Once a band of rowdies interrupted the meeting that was being conducted by one of these churchmen militant. He did not hesitate for a second. Springing over the pulpit of the rude little log-cabin church, he strode down the aisle, seized two or three of the disturbers and threw them to the floor. Then he sat on them and, as he bumped their heads together repeatedly, he remarked: "Well, boys, if I can't beat religion into you, I'll beat the devil out of you."

And he did it so thoroughly that they never again disturbed his meetings.

Dates for formal notification of President Coolidge and Charles G. Dawes, Republican vice presidential candidate, of the nomination by the Cleveland convention have been fixed for July 24 and 31, respectively.

**Locust as Carrier Pigeon**  
Capetown, S. A.—Progressive South Africans are making the best of an unprecedented invasion of locusts by forcing the insects to do the work of carrier pigeons. So far the record is held by a locust which carried a message 200 miles in a day. Farmers capture athletic-looking locusts and paste upon them messages written on white tissue paper, anyone seeing one of these paper-decked locusts again captures it and reads the message reporting to the point of origin.

**Borah to Open Campaign**  
Washington.—Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, will leave here at once for his home in Boise to begin his campaign for re-election. It is understood that he will not refuse the endorsement of the La Folllette ticket in Idaho. He will take with him a contract, signed between the government and the Boise-Payette Water Users' association, under which the association will take over the operation and control of that reclamation project, making collections of amounts still due.

**Zahnd Heads Independent Ticket**  
Indianapolis, Ind.—John Zahnd of Indianapolis has been nominated for President of the United States on the national independent ticket while Roy H. Harrop of Omaha, Neb., was chosen as the vice presidential nominee. The party, is said to be the outgrowth of the Committee of Forty-eight, formed in 1918, also has representatives in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Montana, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, California, Alabama and West Virginia. Mr. Zahnd said there are 70,000 members in Indiana.

**Cartridges Explode, 50 Blinded**  
Mexico City.—Lieutenant Colonel Jose Ortiz, chief of the staff of Gen. Arnulfo R. Gmoes, commanding the city garrison, announced that more than fifty Federal soldiers were blinded when eight-millimeter cartridges brought from the United States for use in Enfield rifles exploded. It was said several soldiers had lost their lives had lost their lives due to similar explosions. A semi-official statement attributes the responsibility to Mexican agents sent to buy ammunition.

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#### UNCLE SAM'S FLEET OF SHIPS OF THE DESERT

ONCE upon a time Uncle Sam had a queer navy, composed of 75 "ships of the desert" which, paradoxically speaking, navigated the dry seas of the great Southwest. This was before the Civil war when transcontinental railroads had not yet been built and the government was seeking a solution of the transportation problem over the southern route to California.

In 1855 congress authorized the War department to expend \$30,000 in purchasing camels to be used for military purposes in the southwest and Jefferson Davis, secretary of war, sent to Turkey and Egypt to get the animals. On May 14, 1856, a herd of 34 camels was landed at Indianola, Tex., and driven overland to Arizona. The next year 41 more were imported.

At first the experiment seemed so successful that army officers in charge of operations were loud in their praise of the value of the beasts. But trouble soon developed. The sand of the Southwest was different from that of the camel's native land and they became sore-footed. The ignorance and prejudice of the mule-packers who had charge of them further impaired their usefulness and when the near approach of the Civil war diverted attention from the experiment the whole thing ended in failure.

Some of the camels were sold to circuses and others were sent to Drum barracks in Los Angeles where they were purchased by a Frenchman who expected to use them in the mines. But he soon gave up the plan and turned the animals loose in the desert to shift for themselves. The majority were soon killed off by the Apaches, who developed a fondness for camel meat, but for the next 30 years prospectors told fanciful tales of seeing wild animals in remote regions of the Southwest.

The last of the camels was captured by a Mexican in the Harqua Hala mountains in 1885. He took his prize to Phoenix, but before he could find a market for the animal it had literally eaten him poor. Finally he allowed a creditor to take the beast for a \$10 debt. The new owner intended to sell the camel to the next circus that came along and turned it out in a pasture with his mules.

The next morning, according to a witness, "he found his mules hung all along the barbed wire fence and bogged down in the ditches while the more agile or more frightened were scattered all over the surrounding country."

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Candidates for office must show that they know what to do and that they have the ability and courage to do and will do what ought to be done to reduce taxes on the overburdened tax-paying public and at the same time enforce our laws, keep our schools open, make our penitentiary self-sustaining and give us a highway system of standard and permanent roads; consolidate the markets and warehouse departments, weight and measure department, live stock sanitary commission and game, fish, and oyster commission with the agricultural department; consolidate the mining board with the labor department; consolidate the board of water engineers with the reclamation department; consolidate the department of insurance with the state fire insurance commission; repeal the law creating the book commission and vest the duties thereof on the board of education; repeal the board of control law; repeal the law increasing automobile licenses and fees; repeal the law vesting the control of our state highways in the highway commission; modify the textbook law so as to prevent the unnecessary purchase of change in school books; stop lobbying by textbook companies or their agents; take the government off of wheels by the elimination of about nine-tenths of the traveling expenses and corresponding salary to the traveler; eliminate about nine-tenths of the state printing; print Texas school books in Texas; place paid state rangers on the Mexican border and impeach local officers who refuse to enforce the law; eliminate the military as a substitute for civil authority and for the settlement of civil controversies; purchase more railroad tickets back home out of Austin by unnecessary job-holders than was ever known in Texas; establish a positive, simplified, classified, practical course of study in all grades of our schools, with scholastic intelligence tests, elimination of electives and combinations not prescribed and easier work for the teachers with a more equitable division of pay; teach the fundamentals first and improve the standing of Texas in the scale of education with the other states; restore hope to and reward for willing working convicts and make proper rules for enforced work for the sulky, hell-raising slacker convicts; take up the slack, remove lost motion and incompetence in the penitentiary farm management and go to work in the fields instead of in the newspapers.

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"A business administration of the people's business" is the slogan adopted by S. H. Terrell, who is a candidate for Comptroller of Public Accounts at the coming primary election. This is an office that every man who pays taxes to the State of Texas is vitally interested in. Mr. Terrell is a young man of recognized business ability, and at the outbreak of the late World War volunteered his services and the Federal Government, recognizing his ability as an accountant, placed him in the Finance Division of the War Department, where he served throughout the period. He is the eldest son of the late H. B. Terrell, who served the people in the State Senate for many years and was elected Comptroller of Public Accounts for three consecutive terms. For a number of years he was connected with the State Treasury and other State departments and is thoroughly familiar with the several divisions of the Comptroller's office, and his friends are not only confident of his election, but feel that he will give the State of Texas one of the most efficient and business administrations in its history. Mr. Terrell has assured the citizenship of Texas that he will surround himself with men and women who are not only worthy, but thoroughly qualified for the duties incident to the department, and that he will administer the law without fear or favor. He is not a member of any organization, other than the American Legion and the Democratic Party. His friends are very active in his behalf in this county and freely predict that he will lead the ticket in his race on July 26th.

## M'DONALD REPORTS ON PARIS VISIT

France Still Withholding Its Opinion on Proposed American Arbitrator.

London.—The British Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald, made a statement in the House of Commons Thursday, explaining his recent visit to Paris and his discussion with M. Herriot, the French Premier, on the reparations situation. It is evident from this statement that Mr. MacDonald has gone a long way to allay and meet French resentments and susceptibilities, even to the extent of temporarily giving up some of his own pet ideas in an endeavor to help the Herriot Government ward off an initial attack by Poincarist bloc in the French Senate.

It had been agreed by the British Ministers and Liberal leaders to await the outcome of the debate in the French Senate before debating the subject in the British Parliament hence, the British debate now is scheduled for Monday.

In the memorandum accompanying the original British invitation to Italy, Belgium and Japan to attend an interallied conference, the British Government proposed that in the event of a German default the matter might be referred to the League of Nations and The Hague arbitration tribunal, thus lifting it out of the hands of the reparation commission. It was this prospect that caused so much resentment in France and gave M. Poincaré a weapon with which to attack Premier Herriot.

The British Prime Minister's statement shows that the idea of reference to the League or The Hague had been dropped and that in its stead an endeavor was being made to secure American help for such arbitration duties. He refused to acknowledge that he had withdrawn anything, explaining that the whole question had been left to the pending allied conference to decide. But, in essence, it is a withdrawal, since no mention is now made of the league or The Hague, and it is considered evident that Mr. MacDonald concentrated his whole efforts on preventing so far as he was able, any counter-attacks likely to lead to the overthrow of the Herriot Government or miscarriage of the coming conference. The Prime Minister admitted that the French Government was still withholding its opinion on the proposed American arbitrator.

Two other important points came out in Premier MacDonald's statement, namely, that the British Government declined to associate the question of the interallied debts with the experts' report and would equally refuse to agree to any military pact with France.

## DECIDE ON \$14 FOR TEXAS STUDENTS

State Board of Education Boosts Apportionment \$2 Over Last Year

Austin, Texas.—At its last session the State Board of Education made an apportionment of \$14 per capita for the school children of Texas for the ensuing scholastic session, which is \$2 in excess of the current year. The board also set aside funds to pay for the free text books and entered orders for same. The net amount to be transferred to pay for the books is given at \$3,098,875. Of the apportionment notice is given that \$2 will be paid in September and the remainder by May 1, 1925. The number of scholastics is estimated at 1,320,000, an increase of about 17,000 or less than 1 1/2 percent. State Superintendent Marrs estimates that the balance for the school fund on Sept 1 next will be \$4,227,175 which is due to larger income and to the fact that few books were bought during the textbook litigation, the average being only 35c per child. This is in contrast to the coming year when the purchases will be \$2.35 for each child.

Comptroller Smith estimated that the school fund will receive net, including the balance, \$23,394,802 during the coming fiscal year. The apportionment totals \$18,480,000, leaving \$4,914,802, but out of it comes the \$3,098,875 for textbooks. That leaves \$1,815,927 or enough to have given the children \$1, but Superintendent Marrs is opposed to exhausting the fund and strongly advocated a cash balance to begin each scholastic session.

### Move to Pay Delegates

Kansas City, Kan.—A movement is under way to pay expenses of Kansas delegates attending the Democratic national convention at New York.

## DAVIS OF VIRGINIA; BRYAN OF NEBRASKA TO LEAD PARTY

Landslide for Nebraska Governor on First Ballot After Name Presented Conferees.

New York.—Welling up through all the bitterness of the days and nights that have gone, a mighty, formless, roaring shout like a great sigh of relief blasted its way through the dingy trappings of Madison Square Garden Wednesday to tell that a miracle had happened, that a decision had been reached and that John W. Davis of West Virginia had been nominated by acclamation to carry the Democratic standard for 1924.

At last, against all the bitter cross-currents of the sweltering days and nights that lay behind, the deadlocked convention that will live in political history forever had broken through the long jam of conflicting opinion. Almost without realizing what it had done it hurled itself as one man into the rush that brought Davis votes flooding faster than clerks could write the record. Resistless as the surge of the sea the Davis tide engulfed the wearied host and the battle was over.

Nominated on the 193d ballot in the final dissolution of the deadlock which had gripped the convention for ten days, Mr. Davis began his service as the leader of his party by upsetting precedent and addressing the convention at its evening session and then going into conference with convention managers over choice of a nominee for the vice presidency.

Davis began by an expression of gratitude and appreciation of the honor that had come to him. "But grateful as I am of this great honor, I think even more of the duties you have given me to perform. But I take comfort when I look at the banners displayed throughout this hall and reflect that they represent an army of millions of Democrats ready as they always have been to battle for liberty and righteousness.

"We are a national party, and it must be, I believe, because we profess a national creed. The great principles of the Democratic party—honesty in Government, that public office is a public trust, equal rights to all men and special privileges to none, fair and equal taxation, an open door to opportunity to the humblest citizen in all the land, liberty at home and courage and honor and helpfulness abroad—these principles are as dear to the East as to the West and revered by the North and by the South.

"And this great army is ready to do battle again to any who challenge any part of it. On this platform all progressives can stand, to this banner all liberals can rally, and for this cause all Democrats can and I know will stand united.

"I know this convention has had its differences, but all the things were but the thunderstorm that cleared the clouds away and left shining on us the sun of coming victory and success.

"When I am duly advised of the nomination it will be my duty to speak further on these and kindred themes. I shall, therefore, do no more at the moment than to express my appreciation and to express my confidence that I shall lead in this campaign a united, a militant and a victorious party."

Gov. Bryan was chosen for second place on the ticket after his friends had placed before Mr. Davis and his conferees an argument for selection of a Western man of proven executive capacity, familiar with agriculture and in sympathy with the liberal sentiment of the country.

The nomination of the Nebraska Governor, who is a brother of William J. Bryan, took only one ballot. The word that the leaders wanted him nominated was passed quickly about the convention hall, and, although active campaigns had been made for several other candidates, the result was not long in doubt. Mr. Bryan was declared nominated at 2:22 a. m., Eastern daylight-saving time. Then, after a few last-minute formalities, the convention adjourned sine die at 2:34 a. m. and the delegates for the last time filed wearily out of the old garden where their nerves had been frazzled and their patience worn out by the more than two weeks of the most stirring scenes in all political history.

### O. K. Plan For Wilson Memorial

New York.—The proposal for establishment of a Woodrow Wilson Memorial University at Valdosta, Ga., was endorsed by the Democratic national convention upon presentation of a resolution by John B. Johnson, of New York.

## PRESIDENT'S SON LOSES BRAVE FIGHT FOR HIS LIFE

Restoratives Are Hurriedly Applied by Physicians but Only Delay Death.

Washington.—Calvin Coolidge Jr., son of the President, is dead at Walter Reed hospital of blood poisoning. President and Mrs. Coolidge, who had maintained constant vigil at the hospital, were at his bedside, hopeful and cheering and comforting their son to the last. A sinking spell, the fourth he had suffered in twenty-four hours, brought death.

Notwithstanding the use of oxygen and other restoratives, the courage which had withstood crisis after crisis and had beaten death off repeatedly, was unable to meet the final attack. The collapse came at 6:30 o'clock and he gradually sank into eternity.

Every resource of medical science was brought into play in the vain effort to save young Calvin's life. An operation was performed on the left leg to drain off the poison and blood transfusion and oxygen were resorted to in the later days of his illness.

The end came after the boy had battled with the utmost bravery and fortitude for five days against a disease which had racked his body with pain and sapped the reserve strength of his frail constitution.

The natural strength of a boy of 16, however, which was counted on as the most powerful resisting force to the creeping poison, was unable to meet the issue, and after having fought a brave but always losing fight, he succumbed.

One of the final complications and the one which the physicians were unable to meet was the formation of gas on the stomach. The organ was washed out repeatedly in an effort to put it in condition to retain nourishment, but the effort was unsuccessful.

Young Calvin was removed to the hospital Saturday and an operation on the same night revealed an inflammation of the bone marrow of the left leg, where the infection first localized in part. A slight rally followed, but on Sunday night his condition grew so serious that blood transfusion and oxygen administrations were resorted to.

The infection developed from a broken blister on the right foot sustained during a tennis match with his brother, John, on the White House courts. At first paying no attention to it, the youth developed an alarming condition and physicians were summoned.

The poison, however, once started, had spread so rapidly that medical skill was without avail. A number of specialists were called to act with White House physicians on the case and a desperate fight for life was made by the boy, who struggled with great pain and with high fever.

President and Mrs. Coolidge bore up bravely. Soon after the death they went to the White House, where the older brother, John, was awaiting them.

Even as he had fought when there was hope for life, young Calvin battled when the time of death approached. Minute after minute and hour after hour he lived to the surprise of all.

The spark of life flickering only faintly, still persisted, ready to be extinguished at any minute, but the will to live was very strong and death was held off when those at the bedside had long since abandoned hope.

## AN ALASKAN NAVAL BASE IS PLANNED

Report Under Advise to Establish Pacific Center of Operations.

Washington.—Advisability of establishing an Alaskan naval base in Alaskan waters is under consideration by the naval department and the general board of the navy.

The board has under advisement a report on the Alaskan situation submitted by Rear Admiral J. V. Chaso after a careful survey of all possible sites for a naval base.

A base in the Alaskan waters, in the opinion of many naval experts, would operate to neutralize the disadvantage under which the American navy is compelled by the terms of the Washington disarmament treaty to operate in the Pacific.

### Grain Is Harvested

Van Alstyne, Texas.—Practically all of the wheat and oats in this section have been cut, and the threshing of the grain is well under way. The yield per acre of the grain is good. Corn and vegetables are needing rain.

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## METHODISTS VOTE ON UNIFICATION IN 1925

The General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at Chattanooga last week by more than a two-thirds vote, endorsed the Plan of Unification with the Northern Methodist Church, endorsed by the conference of the latter church last May.

The question now goes to the Annual Conference of both churches in 1925. That is better, because it looked for a time that those in the Southern Church who favored the Plan of Unification were trying to force the issue this year, and this naturally aroused such opposition that the General Conference wisely decided to postpone action by the Southern Churches until the fall of 1925, when delegates to the various annual conferences can be elected with a full knowledge of what the Plan of Unification means.

There was no reason why the Southern Church should act on the question this year, as the Northern Methodist Church had already decided to submit the issue to the Northern Annual Conference next year.

There is some opposition in the Southern Church, not to Unification, but to the proposed plan. The M. E. Church, South, has fifteen active Bishops. Nine of them favored calling the special session of the General Conference just held, and five opposed it.

Those opposing were Bishops Warren A. Candler senior active bishop, Collins Denny, U. V. W. Darlington, William N. Ainsworth and James E. Dickey, bishop of this district.

Of the nineteen bishops at the General Conference in 1922, three have since died: James Alton, John G. Kilgo and Richard Waterhouse. Bishop Eugene H. Hendrix, the senior bishop incapacitated by age from taking any part.

One other, Bishop Besuchamp, we believe, was in foreign service and did not sign either the call or the protest.

The vote to submit the question was ayes 297, nays 75. A two-thirds vote was more than secured and now it is up to the Annual Conference.

## NOTICE TO SCHOOL PATRONS.

All school patrons desiring to have their children transferred from one district to another should apply to the County Superintendent before the 1st day of August, as the law provides that no transfers be made after that date. It is not necessary to come to Baird for that purpose, a request may be made by letter.

B. C. Chrisman, County Supt.

## PIANO CLASS

I will return from Chicago about August 15th and will open my studio sometime in September. During the past year I have been under the instruction of Robert Yale Smith of Bush Conservatory, and also passed the summer specializing in a normal course for children's work.

I will appreciate your patronage. 33-3t Harold Wristen.

The Commissioners' Court, at its meeting this week fixed the tax rate at 75c on the \$100 property valuation, except in Road District No. 1, where it will be \$1.00.

## THE LORD'S CHILDREN

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musically attuned, were of a surety wafted straight to the Heavenly Throne, and applauded by God's angels.

A unique number was a song sung with the big building in darkness, flashlights in the excited hands of the young choristers being the only illuminant; and when they sang a song "backwards" the audience applauded lustily.

As an evidence that his proteges could do something else beside sing and yell boosterously, Singer Cheek called upon Master Reaves Hickman to name the several books of the New Testament, "something," he asserted positively, "that very few grownups in this audience can do correctly"; but Master Hickman glibly catalogued them, from Matthew to Revelations, without a miss.

At the conclusion of the children's program Mr. Cheek sang "Near My God to Thee," followed by an exquisite instrumental number by Pianist Boggess and one of Dr. Surface's masterly sermons.

The Evangelical Boosters will be much in the limelight again Saturday evening, and the meeting, which has been very successful, will close Sunday night.

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Next Sunday's Games:

Baird at Eastland, Breckenridge at Putnam, Moran at Cisco, Desdemona at Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Will C. Franklin, of El Paso, are visiting Mr. Franklin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Franklin.

Mrs. J. H. Swan of Brownfield, Terry County, came in last Saturday, and will be the welcome guest of Mrs. J. C. Evans and son, William J., until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.

The Commissioners' Court has had laid down the full length of the courthouse lot on Wendell Russell Avenue a concrete curb, with a water main sunk next to it on its northern side, so that the trees and grassy lawn can be properly irrigated.

Rev. A. W. Waddell, pastor of the Methodist Church in Baird 1913 to 1915, now stationed at Lake Charles, Louisiana, passed through Baird last week with an auto party returning from the West. He stopped long enough to inspect the new Methodist Church building and called at the parsonage to see Rev. W. J. Mayhew, but the latter had gone to Brown County to see his mother, who has died. Rev. Mr. Waddell, while a young man, went to school to Rev. Mr. Mayhew, and intended to stop over in Baird and catch his auto party by train somewhere East, but Brother Mayhew being absent he went on. Brother Waddell has many friends in Baird who would have been glad to meet him, and there is general regret that he could not stop over at least one night. If The Star editor ever passes through Lake Charles he will call on Brother Waddell and ask him for an explanation of why he could not stop at least a few hours with his old friends.

**FOR SALE**—Baby's white Bassinet on wheels. Practically new. Price \$5.00 Mrs. Robert Estes, Phone 6.

## HARRY BERRY'S HORSELESS FOUR-ACRE COTTON FARM

Harry Berry, who is Henry Ford's accredited representative at Baird and Clyde, has, in the northeast part of town, a four-acre "horseless" cotton farm, of which he is, justly, very proud, and if he only had another acre of ground he would have a fighting chance for the Dallas News-A. & M. College Extension Service cash prizes for intensive cotton culture.

Harry confesses that he's a Ford dealer, not a farmer, and he broke up the four acres in question, of hard packed ground to demonstrate the superb capabilities of the Fordson and the Athens Rotary Plow as farm implements. When the four acre patch had been disked and cross-disked, he laid it off and planted it to cotton, on May 25 and then, there being no more sod pulverizing demonstrations to be made, practically deserted it.

He did, however, when the cotton came up, a particularly rank and vigorous growth, send in a hand and have it chopped out. He also dressed it down with fertilizer, using that famous Henry Ford product, amonium sulphate. The cotton got such a fine, healthy growth and looked so sturdy and vigorous, that his latent farming pride was aroused and he worked it over with the cultivator.

Today that four-acre field of cotton will compare favorably with any man's crop. There had been left on the south side of the field a small strip of the semi-virgin sod for Fordson-Athens Plow demonstrations. These are a show in themselves and well worth seeing, and the eyes of those watching the steady pull of the Fordson will involuntarily turn their orbs admiringly toward that field of horseless cultivated cotton.

## BAIRD'S NEW WATER SYSTEM IS RAPIDLY NEARING FINISH

Mayor John Iley McWhorter is as optimistic as ever over the final success of the city's new water system, and he is as determined as ever that every promise that he made shall be carried out to the letter.

What with keeping a supervisory eye on the construction of the big stone reservoir-well and the big tunnel which is to tap the never failing waters of the subterranean lake of which the city acquired ownership when it purchased the 100-acre tract of land and from which, it is to be hoped Baird will draw water for all purposes for many years to come, His Honor puts in his spare time "slushing out" and making clean and wholesome the city's new water mains.

He has a slush cut-off in the northwest part of the city and so far he has washed out of the pipes considerable flotsam and jetsam which, if allowed to remain in the pipes, would block the flow of water. This slushing, if persisted in, will also drown the creosote smell and taste of the pipes themselves.

Queer things have been left in the mains: Hunks of creosote-saturated waste used in tamping the pipe joints, a big jute sack, prices of plank, lengths of board, shavings and a big chunk of two-by-four, so long that the pipe had to be tapped

to get it out.

When finally the reservoir-well is completed, filled with clear, pure, sparkling water and everything is hooked up, and the aqua is turned on, Mayor McWhorter is confident there will be an abundance for all purposes in Baird for many years to come.

The Dallas News has inaugurated a splendid plan to bring to mind the fine results of intensive cultivation, known as "more cotton from less acres."

Recently The News had an account of increase in yield of cotton from the use of fertilizers and intensive cultivation that perhaps some farmers would not believe without proof. One account showed that by breaking the land four times before planting, then the use of 1,000 pounds of phosphate per acre, the yield was increased from one-half bale to one-and-a-half bales per acre.

Another case, in Louisiana, when, by the same methods of thorough preparation and intensive cultivation, use of fertilizers, etc., the yield was increased from three-quarters of a bale per acre—the normal yield—to four bales per acre.

With the price of land constantly advancing, farmers will find it necessary to cultivate fewer acres and use fertilizer to build up the land. It will pay and has been proven so often that it should be unnecessary to constantly remind the people of this important fact, but a practical illustration of the benefits of proper cultivation and fertilization of the land to prevent deterioration, such as has been adopted by the News, will be worth untold sums to the farmers of Texas, that will make the prizes—running as high as \$1,000—look small indeed.

All of the two or three thousand

## Application for Appointment of Guardian

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

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, once a week, for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said County, which has been continuously and regularly published in said County for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:

To all Persons interested in the welfare of Irven Crenshaw and James Crenshaw, Minors:

You are hereby notified that Mrs. Lillie Brock has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, an application for letters of guardianship upon the persons and estate of said minors, Irven Crenshaw and James Crenshaw, which application will be heard at the next regular term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1924, the same being the 4th day of August, A. D. 1924, at the court house thereof, in Baird, at which time all persons interested in said minors or said estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Here in fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 16th day of July, A. D. 1924.

Grady G. Respass, Clerk  
County Court, Callahan County, Texas.  
By Jonie Robinson, Deputy.  
A true copy I certify.

C. E. Bray, Sheriff,  
Callahan County.

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## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

**LOST**—Sunday, July 13, somewhere within 4 blocks of main street, a white braided summer hat. Return to Ruby Dickey and receive reward. 332t

**FOR RENT**—My residence in Baird. Nine acres of land, 9 room house, 9 stoves, 12 gas lights, three sources of water supply, 9 water spigots. House fully furnished and has every convenience. See, phone or write me. 32t J. L. Lea, Phone 236, Baird.

**REPAIR SHOP**—I repair Radiators repair and upholster all kinds of Furniture. Notify me and I will call for furniture. 23-t S. C. Dickey.

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farmers who have entered the contest cannot win one of the cash prizes offered by the publishers of the News, but to every one who entered the contest it will be worth a great deal to them and their neighbors in coming years.

Why should a farmer skim over one hundred acres of land, when he can produce more by proper cultivation on half that number of acres? The Dallas News is to be commended for developing a plan that will be worth so much to the farmers of Texas, if they will use it, and they will. Self interest will dictate this to every farmer in Texas.

A recent election in Dudley Rural School District to increase the property tax for school purposes from 50c to 75c carried unanimously, and another election has been ordered to vote on a bond issue of \$1,500, to be used in adding a new room to the present school building.

The coming in of the Dudley Oil Well as a prospective big producer, has stimulated the abstract business in Baird. The Russell-Surles Abstract Company has had all the business it could handle and the Jack-Abstract Company has been obliged to increase its force, fourteen abstracts being ordered in one day.

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