

# The Baird Star.

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

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## GATES POOL CLAIMS TOLL

### Of Death Last Sunday When Marylea Cowan Sinks To Death In Icy Depths

The sad story of last Sunday's deplorable tragedy at the Gates Lake, when Marylea, the pretty and well beloved fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Cowan, was drowned, will in all its accurate details probably never be told, for the horror was so suddenly precipitated that the dead girl's companions, her chum and inseparable friend, Millie Morrison, and their boy escorts, Weldon White and Alvin Brown became so hysterically excited when their beloved chum sank to death in the cold waters of the swimming pool that there is a lack of coherency in the stories told by those who witnessed the tragedy. Mrs. Cowan mother of Marylea, had accompanied her daughter and Millie Morrison to the lake and witnessed the tragedy from the bank. The party entered the lake on the south side at the diving platform. Millie Morrison is a fair swimmer and entering the water swam out to a raft floating on the lake nearby. The dead girl was just learning to swim. She wanted to join her chum on the raft and started out supported on either side by the boys, Weldon White and Alvin Brown. When near the raft, according to the statement made by the boys she became straggled and her hand slipped from the shoulder of one of the boys, and with the frenzied instinct of self-preservation, she clutched her companion and they both went under.

Then ensued a struggle, in which the boys tried their best to save their girl friend, but she was mad with fright, and her struggles so hampered them that they were unable to keep her afloat or get to the raft nearby.

Altogether it must have been a pandemonium and distressful scene, which the fear-crazed mother witnessed from the opposite bank as her precious child sank down into the muddy depths of the lake. The boys tried heroically to save her, but were powerless, and it is a wonder that in their struggles and excitement they too, were not drowned, as well as the dead girl's chum, Millie Morrison, who fainted as the boys assisted her to the bank. The proprietor of the Park, Claude Gates, was an impotent witness of the tragedy, for he is unable to swim a stroke. He had warned the girls about going into the water as it was cold, especially the east, side of the lake which is deep.

The tragedy occurred at about 4 o'clock and Miss Ruby Dickey, who had just driven up to the lake, hurried back to town for help. Many rushed to the lake and Larmer Henry, who with Robert Estes, was the first to reach the scene, without waiting to remove any of his clothing except his boots and coat, dove to the bottom of the lake, groping for the body of the girl.

He dove a second time and in the icy depths he was seized with cramps, and with difficulty loosed and kicked off his heavy pants. He groped his way to the surface, but immediately

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## A DELPHIAN CHAPTER ORGANIZED IN BAIRD

One of the most beneficial and delightful movements among women was inaugurated here two weeks ago with the organization of Lone Star Chapter of the Delphian Society.

Primarily organized for the cultural and intellectual advancement of women, the Delphian movement has a breadth of scope which includes modern topics and questions of the day, and aids its members in taking hold of civic improvement.

Freedom from the stilted type of club work so long in vogue, through the reading of papers, and enlivened by an originality of thought as expressed by individual members, the Delphian Chapters are strong in their appeal to representative women, the Baird Chapter being no exception to the rule, there being nine enrolled.

The course of study includes parliamentary law and provides lectures on many modern subjects as well as assistance in preparing papers for work in other clubs. Delphian work can not be superseded by that of any other club, because it is so broad in its outline that it proves an assistance in any other club or civic work undertaken.

Although some years have passed since its first organization, the Delphian movement is somewhat new in Texas, but will soon be well known throughout the State, as many cities and towns of all sizes now have flourishing Chapters. Moran, Cisco, Eastland, Ranger, Breckenridge, Abilene, were recently organized, the members enrolled in each varying from twenty-five to seventy-five enthusiastic and wide-awake women, who see in this movement an opportunity to enrich their lives with knowledge of the world's development through the ages, and to keep in touch with all that is valuable to know in the progress of today.

The following are the charter members of the Chapter: Mrs. E. C. Fulton, Mrs. C. E. Walker, Mrs. W. R. Ely, Mrs. R. L. Alexander, Miss Eliza Gilliland, Miss Lua James, Mrs. R. B. Price, Mrs. T. P. Bearden, Mrs. H. Snoddy.

The auxiliary members are: Mrs. Lua James, Mrs. Mauche Estes, Misses John, Ellen and Eliska Gilliland.

The Chapter organized and voted to hold its meetings on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings at 7:30 o'clock.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Eliza Gilliland; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Lua James; Advisory Board, Mrs. W. R. Ely, chairman; Mrs. C. E. Walker, Mrs. E. C. Fulton, assistants.

### MARRIED

Mr. W. C. Lecornu and Miss Mary Lee Anderson were married Monday, May 14, 1923. Rev. G. E. Printz, officiating. They will make their home in Baird.

The Baccalaureate Sermon before the members of the 1923 graduating class of the Baird High School, their relatives and friends, at the Tabernacle Sunday morning, was honored with an audience that filled the building. The incidental exercises were most excellent, and the illuminating sermon preached by Bishop Hiram Abif Boaz, was a masterly effort. Bishop Boaz spent much of his life as an educator before he was consecrated a bishop at the General Conference last year.

## SIX MEN MEET DEATH

### When Trains Nos. 15 And 16 Collide On Open Switch At Dothan Thursday A. M.

What is believed by the authorities to have been the malicious tampering with a switch on the T. & P. Railroad at Dothan, seven miles west of Cisco, caused the death of six persons and the wounding of several others when the engines of fast passenger trains Nos. 15 and 16 met in head-on collision, at 2:30 a. m. yesterday. One suspected person, it is reported, is under arrest. The dead are:

E. C. Reynolds, 915 Henrietta Stret, Fort Worth.

Joseph J. Remonfe, Ranger.

Mack McKewen, sign painter, address unknown.

E. A. Stewart, 911 Allen Avenue, Fort Worth.

An unidentified white youth.

Charles C. Baker, negro, 1028 Calhoun Street, Fort Worth, porter on No. 15.

The injured are:

Engineer H. H. Bailey, 464 Galveston Avenue, Fort Worth, arm broken and head hurt.

Engineer W. L. Simpson, 117 St. Louis Avenue, Fort Worth, arms broken and other injuries.

Fireman J. L. Gray, 1000 Elizabeth Street, Fort Worth, injured slightly.

B. F. Edwards, 1063 Allen Avenue, Fort Worth, slightly hurt.

W. E. Jackson, baggageman, 918 Carruth Street, Dallas, slightly hurt.

M. M. Paul, of Abilene, bruised, H. Broad, of Jove, neck and head hurt.

Scott, of Cisco, arm and leg hurt.

The two locomotives were badly smashed up and the baggage cars of both trains caught fire and several drifters, who were riding on the blind baggage on the east-bound train were killed and their bodies cremated. Engineer H. H. Bailey and his fireman, Josh Gray, on No. 16, were both severely injured. Charley Baker, negro porter on the east-bound train, was killed outright.

Engineer W. L. Simpson on the west-bound train, was seriously injured. His fireman, Joe Osborn, was also injured. Two unidentified men riding the blind baggage on this train were among the victims, one being killed outright and the other seriously hurt. No passengers were reported injured. Later and full reports of all casualties will be found above.

When the news reached here, Dr. Griggs, the railroad physician, Dr. Powell and Dr. Hamlett hurried to the scene in automobiles, and quite a number of railroad men also went to the scene. A working train was hurried out of the yard here to the scene of the wreck. Physicians from Putnam and Cisco also hurried to the wreck.

### BAND CONCERT

The Shell Band Stand is completed and will be formally opened on next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, May 30th Memorial Day, with a free concert. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

## GET ALL THE CALLAHAN COUNTY BIRTHS REGISTERED

County Clerk Grady G. Respass, who has—as yet—no babies of his own to record, is insistent that other people shall make the birth of their own babes a matter of official record and gives many reasons why this important duty should be attended to—for instance:

"Determine whether minor defendants shall be tried in Juvenile or District Courts.

"In illegitimate proceedings.

"Proof of age and legitimacy of heirs.

"As proof of age in order to determine the validity of a contest entered into by an alleged minor.

"To determine the liability of a parent for the debts of a minor.

"In accident cases to determine the age of persons injured when the casualty company carrying the risk sets up the defense that the injured was under the age of persons permitted in their contract with the defendant to operate machinery.

"To settle disputes as to age arising out of insurance claims.

"As evidence upon which to correct a record of marriage or of death, particularly as to age.

"As evidence of legal age in order to obtain a marriage license.

"As evidence of age in order to enlist in the army or navy.

"As evidence of under age in order to obtain the discharge from the army or navy of boys who have enlisted without their parent's consent.

"As evidence of school age, to gain admission to school.

"As evidence that a child is over 16 years of age, and, therefore, does not require a permit to work.

"As evidence of age and citizenship, in order to obtain entrance to civil service examinations.

"As proof of citizenship in order to vote.

"As proof of citizenship in order to obtain a passport.

"The Widows' and Orphans' Pension Law, which has just been enacted, has created a demand for certificates of birth.

"Establishes proof of age in a case involving age of consent."

Being a progressive man, Clerk Respass is acutely alive to the importance of having on file in his office a complete record of the vital statistics, particularly as regards efficiency of birth records in Callahan County, and since he has been diligently active in stirring up the people to the importance of this matter. At first he encountered great apathy, but lately he is waking up the people to the importance of birth registration, as the following letter, from State Health Officer Dr. W. H. Beazley, bearing date of April 27, will show:

Mr. Grady G. Respass, Baird, Texas.

Dear Sir: We are pleased to give you a report on the birth efficiency of your county for the past twelve months, as follows:

March to Aug. inc., 43 per cent  
Sept. to Feb. inc., 74 per cent

We are very anxious for Texas to gain admittance to the United States Registration Area this year, and in order to accomplish this, 90 per cent of the births should be reported. At present this bureau is receiving only about 65 per cent, which leaves 25 per cent to be gained. Will you not assist us in securing the required 25 per cent?

Callahan County reported only 59 per cent for the year ending March 31st. It is the duty of every citizen of the county to cooperate with Clerk Respass in making his next year's report 100 per cent perfect.

## M. E. CHURCH CORNERSTONE

### Laid With Simple But Impressive Ceremonies By Bishop Hiram Abif Boaz Monday

According to previous announcement the corner stone of the new Baird Methodist Episcopal Church South, was laid by Bishop Hiram Abif Boaz Monday, May 21, 1923, at 1 o'clock P. M.

There was a large crowd present and all work ceased on the building during the ceremonies, which lasted about one hour. Bishop Boaz made a splendid talk, as he always does on any subject.

He said he believed in commercial houses, banks and public schools because all these things were necessary to the welfare of any town, but he believed that this building would prove of more value to the public than any other building except a similar structure.

After the Bishop finished his talk he took up a collection and secured additional subscriptions to the building fund. We did not get the exact amount but there was some \$1200 or \$1500 additional to the amount already subscribed. The building committee will probably need some eight or ten thousand dollars more than has been subscribed and our people will have to hustle.

The ceremony of laying the corner stone was then proceeded with. A prayer was offered by the Bishop ending with the Lord's Prayer joined in by the congregation. Rev. Mr. Stuckey, of the St. Paul's Methodist Church, Abilene, read the address of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord God of Israel, our Father forever and ever.

After the reading the pastor, Rev. T. J. Rea, standing by the stone, announced the articles to be deposited in the receptacle of the stone. First a copy of the Holy Bible, then a copy of the 1922 Discipline of the Methodist Church, South, the names of the Official Board of the Church, a list of the contributors to the building fund, the class roll of the Sunday School, a list of the workmen on the building and some other articles.

While the articles were being deposited the editor, standing by, threw in two pennies, the last he had, as a matter of good will and good luck to the enterprise. The stone was then placed in position in the southeast corner of the building. On the east front of the stone is the following engraving: "M. E. Church South, 1923. James E. Dickey, Bishop, W. M. Lane, P. E.; T. J. Rea, Pastor; W. G. Bowlus, Builder. On the south side the names of the Building Committee: Ace Hickman, Rod Kelton, M. G. Farmer, J. E. Alexander, J. Brice Jones, T. E. Powell, W. S. Hinds."

After the stone was placed in position the benediction was pronounced and the crowd dispersed, the workmen resumed their labors. The work, under the able supervision of Grant Bowlus, is progressing splendidly.

Note—Rev. M. M. Lane, Presiding Elder, and Rev. R. E. L. Stotts of Cross Plains, in addition to other ministers mentioned, were present.

Bricklayers on the building are Sam Bolling, foreman and his two sons, Eugene and Horace, of Abilene and Frank Hinds, of Baird. Mr. Bolling, the foreman placed the corner stone after his son, Eugene, had spread the mortar.

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## CONCILIATORY NOTE IS SENT BY RUSSIA

Soviet Government Wants Peace With Great Britain.

Moscow.—Russia wants peace with Great Britain. The Soviet Government, in a note addressed to Britain, expressed its desire to continue negotiations and suggested that the points in dispute between the two countries be thrashed out in a conference.

The Russian note was the answer to Gerat Britain's ultimatum which stated that the latter would break off all trade and semidiplomatic relations if Russia refused to discontinue anti-British propaganda in Egypt, India and other British colonies and apologize for the dispatch of certain notes and the commission of acts which Britain considers unfriendly.

Russia admits that she sent certain sums of money to her agents in the East, but denies that the money was used for anti-British propaganda. England, in this connection, is accused of being "over-suspicious," for believing that Russia had no use for money in the East other than for propaganda purposes.

Russia suggests that compensation for British fishing trawlers, which have been seized by Bolshevik pirates, be settled by negotiations. The Government agrees to compensate the families of two British subjects who were killed in Russia if Britain will agree to compensate several Russians who have been held in jail in England.

Russia denies that she was blunt in her answer to Britain's protest against the execution of Vicar General Butchkavitch and maintains that the communication was couched in the usual diplomatic terms. Russia also makes the point that the disputed notes can not be considered as official inasmuch as the British representative in Moscow never forwarded them to London, but turned them back to the Russian Foreign Office.

### Crops Damaged by Hail.

Gainesville, Texas.—Practically all fruit and field crops in a scope of territory two miles wide was literally beaten to pieces by hail that fell fourteen miles south of Gainesville, near the Cooke County line, according to reports. The stones drifted to a depth of several inches in places. Light hail and heavy rain fell in Valley View. An inch of rain fell in Gainesville. The storm was accompanied by a vivid electrical display.

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## MUST PAY UP OR ALL CAPTIVES DIE

Foreign Governments Join in Strong Note as Other Outlaw Troubles Arise.

Pekin.—Taking advantage of the withdrawal of pursuit pending negotiations for ransom of 17 Americans and other foreigners, the Chinese bandits have moved deeper into the mountains of Licheng with their prisoners and have renewed their demand for \$2,000,000, threatening death to all their captives if the demands are not met.

This announcement was made after a second note had been handed to the Chinese foreign office on the kidnapping, a note decidedly stronger than the first communication.

The diplomats were informed that the Chinese minister of communication has offered to go into the bandit stronghold as a hostage to obtain release of the foreigners, but whether the bandits will accept the offer is not known.

A dispatch from Lichen states that the Chinese delegation negotiating with the bandits had replied to the demand for \$2,000,000 by offering \$800,000 for the immediate release of the foreign captives.

A report was received from Licheng that the bandits had hurled three Chinese captives over a precipice to death as a warning of what will happen to the foreigners if their terms are not met.

The report has not been confirmed.

Further indications that the old "boxer rebellion" feeling may be back of the bandit activities was furnished in the discovery at Tsienshin of circulars urging the natives to rise and drive out the foreigners. These circulars also declared that a group of Chinese are planning to turn over to the British the concessions formerly held by Germany but returned to China as a result of the war.

## MORE ECONOMY AND LESS TAXES ARE URGED

Legislative Quorums Disappear as Members Leave for Home.

Austin, Texas.—Criticism of appropriations, declarations against more taxes and pleas for economy, featured the proceedings in both houses of the Legislature on the opening day of the third extra session.

Organization of both houses was completed within an hour, after which fifteen revenue bills were introduced and referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Twenty-four Senators and 107 Representatives answered roll call but it is doubtful if there will be a quorum in either house again for several days.

Early among the resolutions considered in the House was one providing that bills not coming within the terms of the Governor's call would not be considered, and another providing that there would not be any junketing trips during the session. Both were adopted.

The Senate adopted a concurrent resolution calling on the House Committee on Revenue and Taxation and the Senate Committee on State Affairs to hold joint sessions to save time. A similar resolution, offered in the House, was the subject of considerable debate, after which it was referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

In the House, the opening proceedings were featured by reference to the necessity for economy. Mr. Stewart of Edwards attacked two items in the contingent expense budget, carrying a gross outlay of \$5 a day, but his efforts were defeated after it was explained that the employes involved were Confederate veterans.

Speaking on the concurrent resolution to have joint sessions of the House and Senate committees for the consideration of revenue bills, Mr. Pope said he did not agree with the language of the resolution, which recited that there was need for more revenue. He said he did not feel that any more revenue was necessary, but rather that more economy was necessary. "If you levy additional taxes to raise \$15,000,000 to cover appropriations for the next two years, two years from now you will be called upon to levy taxes raising another \$15,000,000. No matter how much money you raise you will spend it all."

### U. S. Consuls Out of Russia

Washington.—The State Department has been advised that American Consul Tuck at Vladivostok and other members of the Consular staff, left that city for Tokio, thus completing the withdrawal of American Consular representatives from the territories of Soviet Russia.

## Hail, the Taking of San' Me-heel

There was a moan of dolefulness there,  
At the taking of San' Me-heel,  
They were on the earth and in the air,  
They were in the trees and everywhere  
At the taking of San' Me-heel.  
There were boys from the can-brakes o' Loesler's,

And the Howery spilled its share,  
Hillbilles and crackers from the South  
And Texas sent its drawing youth;  
The wheatlands wide of the Central West  
Rocky New England, gave their best,  
As California through to Maine,  
Mountain and valley, hill and plain,  
For the taking of San' Me-heel

Hub scraping hub their cannon stood  
At the taking of San' Me-heel,  
And the sun came up as red as blood,  
And the wind came with a squeal;  
The wind rose to a screaming yell,  
And the reeking guns gave tongue as well.

A sound as from the depths of hell;  
And hell let loose, those doughboys came  
And spoke with bullet, steel and flame  
At the taking of San' Me-heel.

The jaws of the trap went snap, went snap,

At the taking of San' Me-heel,  
And the wolf was snarling in the trap  
As it felt those jaws of steel.



They crushed the base of the salient  
As it might be a toy of wood,  
And kayly over the wire they went  
And grinned as it brought the blood;  
As they spilled their blood they laughed aloud

And knew not that it was drawn,  
Mont Sec they took as a leaping cloud  
In the bloody sun at dawn,  
The bloody sun that turned to gold  
And smiled, too, that it should behold  
The taking of San' Me-heel.

A mighty army found it good,  
The taking of San' Me-heel;  
And it found itself and rose to flood  
From the taking of San' Me-heel,  
It rose to a flood that resistless sped  
And the enemy tossed away.

All over France in waves it swept;  
It scoured the trench holes, mountains leapt  
And brought another day;  
Routing the foe with a rush and roar,  
Cleansing the land, now sweet once more—

Yes, doing that and an added score  
For the land of the Stars and Stripes well loved;

Proving anew what had been proved,  
That the States, all the States, are one;  
Stirring the consciousness of race,  
Riveting chains that time and place  
Shall never break.

Well done, well done,  
The taking of San' Me-heel!  
Hail, the taking of San' Me-heel!  
—Maurice Morris.

### CLEMENCEAU IN TRIBUTE



M. Clemenceau, war premier of France, stood for many minutes in silent tribute to the valor of America's unknown soldier, at the grave in Arlington National cemetery.



How sleep the brave who sink to rest  
By all their country's wishes blest!  
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,  
Returns to deck their hallowed mould  
She there shall dress a sweeter sod  
Than Fancy's feet have ever trod.

By fairy hands their knell is rung;  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung;  
There Honor comes, a pilgrim gray,  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay;  
And Freedom shall awhile repair  
To dwell a weeping hermit there.  
—William Collins.

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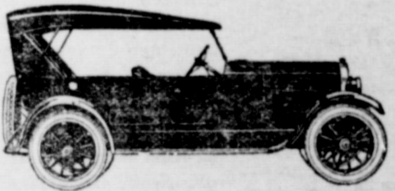
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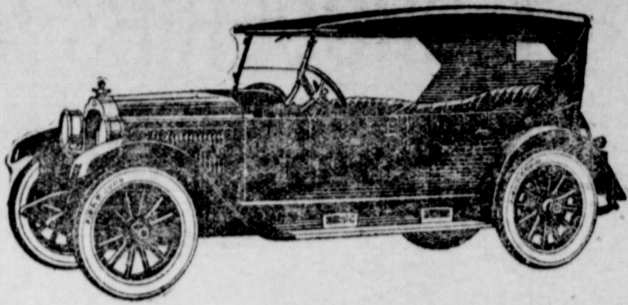
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Marshall W. Manning

### Posted

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H. A. McWHORTER 18-26

### Posted

No fishing, hunting or trespassing allowed on my place 5 miles east of town, or on the D. B. Cowling place, which I have leased. All previous permits revoked. 19tf

JOHN T. ASBURY

### Posted

My place three miles east of Baird, The Manning, Bell, J. A. Hutchinson and Horn Places are also posted and no hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind will be allowed. Keep out. 22-tf

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Trespassing of any kind on the Murray Harris properties is positively forbidden. This applies to everybody and prosecutions will follow violations of the law.

20 4t Mrs. Murray Harris.

#### NOTICE COUNTY SUBSCRIBERS

Is your subscription to The Baird Star due? Is so, please pay up. The date on all papers in the county mail shows when time is out—thus: John Smith Jan. 1 23 means that the subscription expired on Jan. 1st 1923. Don't wait for a statement. Our delinquent list has been growing two much the past two years and we must collect past due accounts.

W. E. Gilliland  
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Memorial Day Will Have Deeper Significance as the Years Recall Remembrance.

We are reminded by the recurrence of Memorial day that it was first instituted in the Southern states at the close of the great conflict which had almost torn the nation asunder, that it found immediate favor in the North because the idea it embodied was essentially so sound and just and appealed so strongly to the universal sentiment of gratitude, and that in May, 1868, at the instance of Gen. John A. Logan, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, the date now observed in most of the states of the Union was fixed. With the exception of six Southern states which observe other dates as memorial days and of three which have made no statutory provision, the occasion has become to all intents and purposes a national holiday, although governed by the laws of individual states. For more than half a century people have gathered annually, with increasing reverence for the men who saved the Union and with growing appreciation of what their patriotism has meant to the nation, to do honor to their memories. The sacrifices of the heroes of that war are not forgotten; Memorial day takes on a deeper and higher significance with the passage of the years.

### HONOR DEPARTED COMRADES



A group of Union veterans of the Civil war firing a salute to their departed comrades who fought in the war between North and South. The boys are fired with muskets they used

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## 73 DIE WHEN SCHOOLHOUSE BURNS

PLAY OF CHILDREN BECOMES TRAGEDY IN SOUTH CAROLINA VILLAGE.

## A SCORE ARE TRAMPLED

Stairway Collapses Throwing Its Weight of Humanity into Blazing Furnace.

Cleveland, S. C.—From the dismal ashes where the Cleveland township schoolhouse and assembly hall reared its rickety frame as the pride of the crossroads, the bodies of seventy-three men, women and children, burned to death in the disaster which has stunned the South have been removed for immediate burial.

The grisly objects in the makeshift morgues of the settlement represent 15 per cent of the community's entire population. They were buried at once, within a few hours, in some cases, after recovery from the ruins of the schoolhouse.

Cleveland, a loosely settled farm township, comprising only 490 souls and having no incorporated village at the last census, put on squeaky shoes and stand-up collars to make fete at the children's "theatricals" in the upstairs hall of the school. The boisterous antics of the child actors in a farce called "Topsy-Turvy" jolted loose a hook in one of the rafters from which suspended one of the kerosene lamps. In that dreadful instant Cleveland was plunged from innocent merriment and homely pride in its children to tragedy and horror beyond description.

The lamp struck the pine floor with a booming explosion which showered liquid fire upon the country folk in their seats and filled the room with flames.

There was a rush of blazing, screaming humanity for the single stairway.

A few nearest the windows smashed the panes and with their clothing afire hurled themselves like comets through the darkness. Two who did so had their backs broken by the fall.

The first surges down the stairs sent most of the audience into the open air, where they were able to strip off their things and save themselves from anything worse than severe burns. But with those who were fartherest from the mouth of the stairway pressing frenziedly from behind, it was inevitable that there would be a jam in the bottle-neck of the little vestibule at the bottom. When this occurred the stairs became overloaded, and, with a crashing of timbers, collapsed into the red pit. There was no chance to save life then, though many bravely tried again and again to drive themselves through the fire far enough to reach the victims.

All but fourteen of the bodies were burned beyond recognition. As the sun was setting they were placed in a large grave in Beulah Methodist Churchyard, a stone's throw from the smoldering ruins of the school building. Three thousand persons, among them Gov. McLeod of South Carolina, attended the funeral service.

## \$750,000 DAMAGE IN BEAUMONT FROM RAIN

Precipitation 13.54 Inches in Less Than Three Hours Recorded.

Beaumont, Texas.—Damage estimated at between \$500,000 and \$750,000 was caused here by a flood resulting from a torrential rain which registered 13.54 inches in a precipitation of less than three hours.

It was the heaviest rainfall ever recorded in Southeast Texas.

So far as has been learned there was only one serious accident which may result in death. Henry Franks sustained what may prove to be fatal burns when he stepped into a pool of burning oil incident to the destruction of a storage tank of the Magnolia Petroleum Company after having been struck by lightning. His condition is serious.

Motor boats took the places of jitneys in some sections of the city.

The Neches river is rising rapidly as the result of heavy rains upstream, but flood stage is not expected.

Losses to merchandise in stores along Pearl street, the main business thoroughfare, will exceed \$500,000, according to early estimates, and this sum may be exceeded when the figures are finally checked up. Many of these stores stood from a foot to eighteen inches in water during the height of the flood, and as the water receded, were a mass of mud and rubbish. All streets of the business district were flooded, making opening of stores impossible.

## HARDING DEPLORES FACTIONALISM EVIL

Says Honesty of Womanhood and Manhood Will End Sources of World Discontent

Washington. — Alexander Hamilton's conception of financial integrity and the sanctity of obligation was invoked as a remedy for present world conditions by President Harding in an address at the unveiling here of a statue of the first Treasury Secretary.

Such principles as Hamilton lived by, combined with "a leadership which arises above prejudiced opinion, whether that prejudiced opinion had its beginning in war or is emphasized by geographic division," the President declared, would turn humanity "to the rational and only way of restoration."

"There will be the substitution of hope and resolution where hatred and resentment are now hindering recovery," he added. "There will be less thought of yesterday and more of tomorrow."

Without mentioning directly the pressing problems incident to international financial obligations, Mr. Harding dwelt particularly upon the value of Hamilton's services in putting "the seal of sanctity upon the financial honor" of the American Republic. He stressed "the rugged honesty of this patriot-statesman, because honesty will cure 10,000 ills of today," and asserted that "honesty among nations will dissolve their difficulties so that new and lasting friendships may be bound by the ties of fraternity and mutual trust."

"Honesty of leadership will spare us the popular misconceptions which are ever menacing to democracy," he continued. "Honesty in Statecraft will point the way to impregnable heights. Honesty in politics will reveal unerring public opinion and honesty in public service everywhere will diminish public waste and extravagance."

"Honesty of manhood and womanhood will abolish the sources of discontent which threaten the world's civilization, and will bring us to conviction regarding the fundamentals of the social fabric, without which fundamentals there can be no human progress."

The President deplored the development of factionalism, and pointed to the "seemingly inspired fear of factionalism" held by Hamilton who, he said, "fought it in the making and warned us of today against its development."

## THE GOVERNOR SPEAKS AT SANDERSON, TEXAS

Neff Discusses Educational Subjects and Does Not Mention Legislature

Sanderson, Terrell Co., Texas.—Keeping strictly to educational subjects, and not mentioning the Legislature in any way, Gov. Pat M. Neff addressed one of the largest crowds ever assembled here.

It was the first time that a Governor of the State has visited in Terrell County, and an unprecedented crowd was gathered at the station when Mr. Neff arrived. Music was furnished by the orchestra of St. John's School and practically all the pupils of the Mexican schools, as well as the greater part of the town's Mexican population were on hand to greet the Governor, who declared that such action tended to convince him of the people's allegiance to their adopted country.

A smoker and a long drive through the big hills lying northwest of the town, and a reception by the school children, took up the afternoon.

The auditorium of the high school was filled at 8:30 when the Governor delivered an address on "The Commonwealth of Texas," in which he made a survey of the State's potential assets, and declared that the great riches of the State, though widely distributed over a vast area, belong to the people of the State as a whole.

The Governor was loud in his praises of the country, at various times during the afternoon, requesting his host to stop, or drive slower, as he "drank in" the beauties of the hills. He will go to Alpine Friday morning, where he will address the people of that section.

Clean-Up Week at Abilene. Abilene, Texas.—This is clean-up week in Abilene, and the entire citizenship is expected to participate under the general direction of City Health Officer W. A. V. Cash. Extra teams and men have been added to the regular sanitary forces for the work. It is planned to whitewash every tree within the city limits.

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## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

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Of course we can see the other fellow's faults easier than we can see our own faults.

Sam Gompers, head of the American Federation of Labor, says that the radicals must be driven out of the unions. Why did Sam wait so long to say this?

We now no longer doubt it: Texas has gone mad on taxation. We tax the gizzard out of a man while living and confiscate a good part of his property after he is dead; provided, he is thrifty and saves something up for his family.

Eugene Debs says he deserves praise, not censure, for his course during the war. Yes! Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, perhaps, makes the same claim. He skipped the country during the war and got to Germany just as soon as the war ended.

Tom Campbell had an ambition to be called the Low Tax Governor. From the way taxes are rising under Governor Neff, does he desire to go down in history as the head of the most extravagant State Administration in Texas history. Things are heading that way, whether he so desires it or not.

No human being can violate God's law with impunity without paying the price in the end. We have not lived, mixed and mingled with humanity for near three-quarters of a century without learning this. Right living and a righteous regard for God's laws makes people better, happier and more prosperous and contented in this life, to say nothing about the life beyond.

The Legislature is wrestling with the tax problem—that is trying how to make buckle and tongue meet, as the appropriations run several millions above the income, under the present taxing system. Strange that it does not occur to a majority of the members that a cut in appropriations would be more acceptable to the taxpayer than to levy more taxes. Every tax imposed on corporation or individual business concerns is simply passed on to the public, that have to foot the bills in the end.

Reservoirs, in Callahan County, to store up storm waters for irrigation and other purposes, is of vastly more importance to our people than all the howling, whooping politicians in the land, but we have given up hope of ever living long enough to see this system carried out on the grand scale that we so fondly dreamed of thirty-six years ago.

When we have lots of rain our county does not need irrigation, and when it is dry enough to make the people and cattle apt cotton for want

of a drink water, people say it is no use to build tanks or talk about irrigation now. What is the use of building tanks? We will all starve to death before it will ever rain enough to fill these great reservoirs with water that you are preaching about.

One of the Russian officials on his way to the Lausanne Conference was assassinated in Switzerland by a Russian exile. The incident was unfortunate, but the tyrannical rule of the Soviet in Russia is responsible for it, not the capitalistic government, as the Reds in Russia are proclaiming.

Russia is not recognized by the Allied Powers, and the Russian delegate was self appointed. At any rate he would not have been allowed any voice in the proceedings had he arrived safely. Of course the Russian crack-brained Reds proclaim this event as the beginning of a world revolution. As they have proclaimed, the Russian misfit rule of the Soviets as the beginning of a world revolution, since they overthrew, in 1917, the only government they ever had, the world is not alarmed.

In the meantime the hated capitalistic nations have been spending unnumbered millions of dollars feeding the Russian starving people, brought to poverty by the tyrannical rule of a few self-appointed dictators like Lenin and Trotsky. Russia is the finest illustration the world has ever had of what anarchist rule or misrule can bring to any nation.

## RURAL SCHOOL BONDS RETIRED

Quite a large amount of the bonded debt of the Callahan County Common School Districts, has recently been retired.

The following Common School Districts of the county have retired all outstanding bonds: Hubbard District No. 44, Rough Creek District No. 13 and Dudley District No. 38. These districts are now free of debt. All Eula District bonds have been paid with the exception of \$350, which is not due until 1927.

The following districts will have retired all bonds within the next year or two: Colony, Hillside, Deer Plains and Erath.

After the payment of bonded indebtedness, all the local maintenance tax will be available for local purposes.

The bonds are paid as enough money accumulates in the sinking fund, in order to save the interest.

## BIRTH REPORTS TO BE SURVEYED

At the recent of the State Medical Society at Fort Worth, several important resolutions were adopted, among them being one in the interest of Vital Statistics, stimulating registration, according to Dr. W. H. Beazley, State Health Officer.

The Bureau of Vital Statistics, directed by Dr. Wm. Sory, has made a careful survey of all reports of all births this year, and will furnish each county every month hereafter a detailed report of births occurring in the various counties.

Callahan County reported fourteen births for the month of April, Dr. B. F. Brittain, Putnam; Dr. W. R. Lindley, Cross Plains; Dr. R. L. Griggs, Baird; Dr. R. G. Powell, Baird; Dr. J. H. Bailey, Clyde.

Mrs. G. M. Hall, chairwoman of the Baird Ladies' Colorado Cyclone Relief Committee informs The Star that her committee collected \$125 in cash for the relief of the sufferers and this sum has been remitted to the scene of the late disaster. Clothing and bedding is sorely needed by the stricken ones and she solicits liberal contributions of these articles, as it is purposed shipping a box to Colorado next Monday.

## WHY WERE THEY TURNED OUT?

Press dispatches describing the overthrow of the woman's government of Des Lacs, North Dakota, are not sufficiently detailed to warrant other than reckless conclusions. The voters in the village turned out the women by an exact reversal of the vote that carried them into office just a year ago. One or two of the married women who made up the administration quit after a few months because they "found the job tough."

The country should be better informed on that year in Des Lacs under petticoat rule. It was the first municipality in the United States, probably in the world, to have an all-woman government. The feminist movement in America owes it to the country, we believe, to examine in detail the works of that administration and to broadcast its findings. Why were the women turned out?—The Cisco American.

## COYOTES TO PLAY BLOOMER GIRLS

The Western Bloomer Girls' Base Ball Club, which is making an extensive tour of this country and Canada, will make their first appearance in Baird on Sunday, May 27th, when they will play one of the most interesting and exciting games of ball with the Baird Coyotes, that has ever been played in this vicinity.

Ladies, as well as gentlemen, can attend this game without any fear of being offended, as nothing will be said or done that the most fastidious could object to.

The game will be played at Tee-Pee Park, where the grounds will be enclosed with a large canvas fence.

As the Twentieth Century grows older we find that physical culture has taken a great advance, especially among the fairer sex. Particularly is it to be noted that some of our best athletes are women.

The up-to-date girl can ride a bicycle, play tennis, row a boat, play golf and, in fact, there is no outdoor sport that they have not, in late years, distinguished themselves in, not excepting our great national sport, base ball.

It is said that the Western Bloomer Girls play a snappy game of ball and the Baird Coyotes will have no walk over when they cross bats with them Sunday afternoon, the 27th instant, at Tee-Pee Park.

Mrs. Lus James returned a few days ago from the Panhandle country, and says that the section she visited needs rain badly.

W. K. Boatwright, returned Thursday, the 17th instant, from Kansas City, where he went for treatment for some old chronic trouble. His friends will be glad to learn that the treatment was successful and he returned home after three or four week's absence, feeling fine.

The Baird Municipal Band will present a specially prepared Memorial Day program, beginning at 8 p. m., next Wednesday, May 30, announces Bandmaster H. W. King. On June 15 the band will play a return engagement at Abilene, where, as related in The Star at the time, that organization made a decided hit.

Miss Theresa H. Weddington's Expression Class gave a recital at the Tabernacle last Friday night, which was another house filler. Miss Madge Holmes, impressatrix, with her "Kitchen Symphony," was the first number on the program and its cadence was more rhythmically perfect than when this unique orchestra made its debut at Mrs. Holmes' music recital. There followed thirteen numbers of songs, drills, readings, by Junior Jackson, Carmen Haley, Leota Alexander, Harold Haley, Oleta White, Rolan Hall, Travis Crutchfield, Myrtle Barton, Winifred Lee Oliphant, Dollie Oliphant, Helen Ogilvy, Syble Brown, Pauline Brown and Bonnie Bell James, Nina McFarlane, Mildred and Louise Bell.

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## IN MEMORIAM OF VIRGINIA CAROLINE SOUTH (NEE WRIGHT)

Virginia Caroline South (nee Wright) was born in Virginia June 22, 1861, and met with a sad accident, by being fatally burned while endeavoring to light an oil stove, at her home two miles northwest of Baird on the North Clyde Road, on the morning of May 16, 1923, passing away that evening at 5 o'clock.

She was married to C. E. South in May, 1884, and came to Callahan County in 1898. To this union fifteen children were born, twelve living and three gone on before. There were eleven of these children at her funeral. One boy, who lives in San Francisco, California, was the only one absent.

Sister South had not been feeling well for several days before the fatal accident and in lighting an oil stove her dress caught fire. When she tried to open the kitchen door she failed in the effort and became so excited that she sat down.

Her second attempt to open the door was successful. She managed to reach a bucket of water on the gallery and attempted to put out her burning clothing, but failed.

Then, too late, attempted to tear off the flaming garments. Her husband found her where she had fallen. She was conscious until just before she died and greeted the children as they came in with the same sweet, motherly smile with which she always welcomed them.

We realize what a severe blow this is to the bereaved husband and children, and may God, who alone can come to our hearts and lives, be gracious to all her loved ones, for we know where to find her, and thank God, that if we are faithful, we will meet her in the sweet by-and-bye.

I have known her since she was thirteen years of age and a more sweet and lovable character, as school girl and mature woman, I have never met in this life. For thirty-five years, she had been intensely religious and a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Her Brother-in-law,  
G. E. Printz.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjie L. Russell returned last week from a two week's auto vacation trip, during which they visited San Antonio, San Marcos, Georgetown and other points, not failing to call at the State Capital, where they were the thrice welcome guests of our Legislative Representative, Hon. Ben L. Russell, Sr. and his estimable wife, this esteemed young couple's papa and mama, in fact and in law.

W. J. Ray came home last week from Marlin and says his rheumatism is about cured.



Quit blowing bubbles and start making bricks

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## Day Of Sacred Memory

Pearsonal pleasure, business, selfish thoughts--let these be laid aside on this Memorial Day as we pay reverent tribute to the martyred heroes of two great wars.

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## PERSONALS

Mrs. O. C. Hawk is visiting in Mineral Wells.

Mrs. Meyer, who has been visiting Miss Dora Buckles, has returned to Abilene.

Miss Ellen Bell, of Dallas, visited her uncle and aunt, Judge and Mrs. Otis Bowyer, the past week.

Mrs. Tolliver and daughter, Miss Mildred, of Abilene, were here Monday to attend the funeral of Marylen Cowan.

Mrs. M. D. Hoover, of Dallas, accompanied by her little daughter, Zelma, visited her mother, Mrs. W. L. Henry and other relatives here this week.

Mrs. Wylie Lambert, of Lubbock who has been seriously sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alex McWhorter on Clear Creek, for several days, was reported much improved yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Jones, Mrs. Larmer Henry and children, Haynie and Miss John Gilliland visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Windham at Oplin last Sunday. Mrs. Jones remained for a few days visit.

Larry Blakley left last Saturday on a prospecting trip in the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas. He is making the trip in his car. Larkin Hearn, of Abilene, was to join him at Fort Worth.

The ball game Wednesday between the Coyotes and the Baird Business Men, for the benefit of the Ross Cemetery Association, at Tee-Pee Park was poorly attended.

Mrs. G. A. Hamlett, wife of Dr. Hamlett, arrived this week from Snyder, and their daughter, Thelma will join her parents at the close of school at Snyder. They have rented the Geo. B. Scott residence in North Baird.

H. Schwartz returned yesterday morning from Dallas, where he spent a few days with Mrs. Schwartz and daughter, Mrs. Cayle Hall. He reports Mrs. Hall, who four weeks ago underwent a very serious operation, as getting along splendidly.

The play, "Dan Cupid, Head Coach," most admirably adapted for amateur production, was staged at the Tabernacle last night by members of the Baird High School Graduating Class, before an audience that filled the big building to capacity. The audience generously applauded the actors.

Mrs. Wm. McManis accompanied by Mrs. G. R. McManis, of Breckenridge, Mrs. A. E. Young, of Eula, and Mrs. Gage Williams, who spent the winter and spring months with her left yesterday morning for Kirksville, Mo., to spend the summer with her son, Dr. J. V. McManis and wife, G. R. McManis accompanied the party as far as Fort Worth. Mrs. Williams will return to her home in Fairfield, Iowa.

One hundred and forty members of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce reached here at 8:10 last night from the west, whither they had been on their annual trade pilgrimage and attendance at the annual meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, at San Angelo, where the Fort Worth Cadet Band, which accompanied them, was awarded second prize in the band contest. The visitors were received by a committee of citizens and the Baird Municipal Band and marched up Market Street as far as the "We Welcome You To Baird" electric banner, where the visiting band played several selections, there were speeches and a general getting-together of guests and hosts.

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### SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

All our services will be held at regular hours. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 9:15 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6:45 p. m.

The pastor will speak at the morning hour on the Southern Baptist Convention, and explain much that took place in the recent session which newspapers said nothing about. If at all interested in what Baptists stand for and are doing, be sure and hear this message.

At the evening hour the subject will be "How to Honor Christ in a Revival," and should be heard by every member of the local church.

Everybody cordially invited to worship with us.

Chas. A. Loveless, Pastor.

The Boy Scouts netted \$12.30 from their benefit at the Sigal Theatre on Wednesday night, May 9.

### LIVESTOCK SALE WAS CALLED OFF

To the Members of the Tri-County Livestock Association:

President M. W. Armistead, of our association, advises me that he has made a partial tour of our territory and it is the consensus of opinion that the Spring Livestock Sale, which was booked for Saturday, May 12, at Cisco, could not, for various reasons, be successfully staged at this time.

He, therefore, has requested this office to notify the membership that the sale was called off, and you will receive notice, within a short time, of our next regular meeting.

G. C. Richardson, Secretary

Rev. Chas. A. Loveless, pastor of the Baird Baptist Church, returned Monday night, from the Southern Baptist Convention, at Kansas City. He reports a pleasant trip and a great time at the convention.

## NOTICE ICE USERS

Beginning Saturday, May 26th we start street to street ice delivery. Watch for the wagon as he passes as we cannot make special deliveries afterwards.

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## SIXTY YEARS OF MEMORIES

Struggles of the Civil War Made Possible the Victory That Saved the World's Liberties.

Memorial day is chosen as the time of remembrance for those who fought and fell in the service of their country. It has been set aside for more than half a century as a time to honor those who gave their lives or offered them in the Civil war.

The American nation turned the tide in the World war—but how did America come to be a nation? Through the blood and sufferings of the men who went out from '61 to '65 to fight for an idea. Had the land been divided between North and South then, a further division between East and West might well have been the next step, and after that—who can say? Instead of being an example of the strength and prosperity which go with union, America would have been little more than a second and weaker Europe, unable and probably unwilling to take a decisive part in the contest that decided the fate of the world.

"Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching." The poppies of Flanders fields bloom in triumph now because the boys marched 60 years ago. They are boys no longer. Beards are white



and steps are slow; the blue line is short and thin and broken by many gaps; in a few more years, it will be a memory. But while freedom lasts, it will be a sacred memory, for in saving the unity of a nation those boys saved the liberties of a world. Gettysburg made Chateau-Thierry possible, the Wilderness was forerunner to the Argonne, Appomattox a prelude to the Armistice.—Chicago Tribune.

## LAST BATTLE OF GREAT WAR

Final Conflict Between the States Took Place in Texas on Spot Which is Historic.

The war between the Northern and Southern states practically ended with the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, although several other Confederate leaders carried on the conflict for some time after Lee's surrender. Seventeen days after Lee's final defeat, Johnston surrendered his shattered forces at Durham, N. C.

The final "battle," however, was fought at Palmito ranch, in Texas, on the site where, 19 years before, General Taylor with 2,000 Americans had defeated Azula's 6,000 Mexicans in the first conflict of the war between the United States and Mexico. Thirteen days later Gen. Kirby Smith surrendered the last Confederate army in Texas, and the war was over.

The battle at Palmito ranch brought to a close the hostilities between the North and South, but the legal termination of the war has long been a subject in dispute. The United States Supreme court has been called upon several times to mark the legal termination of the war, but in various decisions hinging on this point different dates have been given. The United States government decided that the conflict closed on the 1st of June, 1865, but that is only an arbitrary date, without special significance, adopted for the sake of convenience. On another occasion, a few years after the war, the United States congress decided officially that the war ended on August 20, 1866.

## An International Holiday.

When the Inter-Allied Veterans' federation, made up of World war veterans of France, England, Canada, Italy and the others of the allied nations and of which the Legion is a member, adopted the Legion's date for the observance of rites for the dead, May 30 became an international holiday, comparable only in universal observance to Christmas. This year it will be observed by Legion posts and allied veterans' organizations in the following countries other than the United States: Canada, Belgium, France, Poland, Turkey, Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, British Isles, Chile, China, Cuba, Guatemala, Japan, Peru, Porto Rico, Portuguese West Africa, Santo Domingo, Spanish Honduras, India, Venezuela and in the Canal Zone, Hawaii, Philippine Islands and the territory of Alaska.



Only a little daisy,  
Out in the garden gay,  
Warmed by the dancing sunbeams,  
Kissed by the dews of May—  
Softly, the petals falling  
Seem pearly with tears today.

Only a loyal soldier,  
Off 'mid the trumpet's blare,  
Kissed by a smiling mother,  
Breathing a fervent prayer—  
Somewhere among the fallen,  
He's sleeping over there.

Only a little daisy,  
Wooded by the winds of May,  
Glory, courage and sorrow  
Crowned in its petals gay—  
Proudly, oh, proudly wear it,  
And reverently, today.  
—Irene Judy, in the Kansas City Star.



## NATION'S DEBT TO THE DEAD

Remembrance Must Be Held Sacred if the Country Shall Hold True to Its Ideals.

America emerged from the World war foremost in the prestige that comes from unequalled material resources and the valor of her sons. No one, friend or foe, doubts the fiber of her nationality. All this the men who fought her battles in France, and all those who waited for the call to action, well know. Their pride of citizenship is nowhere excelled. But humility should go with this satisfaction. Two years ago at New York Commander Galbraith of the American Legion uttered words of admonition when he said: "We shall live as a nation only as we remember our dead." The Grand Army of the Republic, with numbers reduced to a little group of heroic men who march behind the flag with feeble steps, still has the place of honor at Memorial day services. A little while and the distinction will pass to the veterans of the Spanish war and to those of the World war; and upon the American Legion will devolve the responsibility of carrying forward the standard of nationality by remembering the soldier dead on each recurring Memorial day.

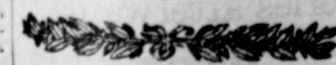
## WHERE CANADIANS STOOD

Tribute to Bravery of Sons of Dominion, Recently Erected Near Vimy Ridge.

On a bench plateau near the little town of Vimy Ridge stands a monument to the memory of officers and men of the Forty-fourth Canadian infantry who so gallantly repulsed the German advance in that section in May and June, 1917. The memorial is con-



tained in property now belonging to the Dominion. France made Vimy Ridge a gift to the British North American subjects. Near where the monument stands is where the hardest fighting took place, and from the top of this plateau the country for miles about is visible.



## Real Lesson of the Day.

This is the Memorial day lesson: that we best honor the dead by seeing to it that they did not die for naught.

## HONOR TO AMERICAN AIRMEN

Memorial Garden Dedicated to the Glorious History of the Lafayette Escadrille, in France.

Upon the fringe of the heroic city of Verdun there has been created a memorial garden dedicated to the glorious history of the Lafayette escadrille, which it is hoped will become a pilgrims' shrine for all Americans, and especially for those who are in any way associated with the personnel of the famous flying corps which brought honor to America before the United States entered the war.

Within the boundaries of the memorial garden have been laid most of the bodies of members of the Lafayette escadrille who fell in battle. Rather, there were 57 bodies laid there. Six of the men who flew for France under the Lafayette escadrille organization died inside the German lines, or were burned with their machines. These six bodies have never been found. The graves of the others are now scattered



along the French front, and one is in Genoa and one in Salonica.

There were more than 200 young Americans in the Lafayette escadrille. Long before the United States entered the World war these pioneers crossed the ocean and gave their youth to the cause of France. Their record of heroism and self-sacrifice, of instant readiness to face superior odds, their delight in service and their joyous verve in the face of death have made the name of the squadron as immortal in all allied countries as it was feared by the German troops.

The project cost \$50,000, which was quickly subscribed.

## Honor to Be Shared.

Memorial day belongs, first of all, to the "boys in blue." The holiday was established in commemoration of the soldiers who fought in the Civil war and who by their sacrifices made possible the perpetuation of the American Union. Today the memories of '61 are dim. A greater war has been fought, a war which was brought directly home to every American of the present generation. There are recent graves to decorate; there are honors to be paid to the memory of heroic Americans who went beyond the Atlantic to carry the message of America's devotion to democracy and justice. Today, therefore, it is natural for us to give first place in our thoughts to the heroes of 1918. Their story is a story of yesterday; the story of '61 is an oft-told tale of the misty past.



## Pessimists Were Answered.

It had been said that this country was not a nation, because it could not count upon the foreign-born in an emergency. The answer rang out at Cantigny, at Chateau-Thierry, in the swift advance through St. Mihiel, in the desperate and triumphant fighting in the Argonne.

## Car of Dynamite in Train Wreck.

Tishomingo, Ok.—Thirteen cars of merchandise on a Frisco freight train jumped the track at Ravia, four miles south of Tishomingo. Twelve were splintered. One, containing dynamite, did not explode but dynamite was actually buried in the ground. The front end of the train continued to Randolph and picked up the rear-end cars after the accident. There were no casualties.

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## Ship Owners Protest Liquor Rule.

London.—The Foreign Office received a protest from British ship owners against the recent prohibition ruling of the United States Supreme Court, barring intoxicating liquors from American territorial waters, but it is not likely the protest will be forwarded to Washington, as requested by the ship men, until the American Government indicates the exact methods to be taken for enforcement of the ruling.

## Railroad Plans Extension.

Washington.—Plans for a ten-mile extension of its railroad in Texas, running from Lorraine, on the Louisiana state border to Elysian Fields in Texas, were filed with the interstate commerce commission by the Marshall, Elysian Fields and Southeastern railway. The new line would tap oil fields and assist in development of lumber projects, the company said in asking the commission's approval of the project.

## LADY GOT SO WEAK COULD SCARCELY STAND

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**Face to the East!**

Face to the East! It seems a grim jest,  
For this is to honor the lads who  
"went west."  
Face to the East! stop the traffic and  
noise.  
The moment is sacred, it belongs to  
the boys.  
Face to the East! banker, farmer and  
clerk,  
Every rank, all conditions, stop both  
play and work.



Face to the East! This moment's for  
them,  
Our gay laughing boys who died, aye,  
like men.  
Face to the East! and murmur a  
prayer,  
For the lads who forever have gone  
"Over There."  
Face to the East! While Mem'ry en-  
wraps  
Her dear arms around us. Now,  
Bugler! sound "taps."



**DAY OF HIGH SIGNIFICANCE**

Memorial Spirit Has Become Much  
More Than a Mere Tribute to  
the Heroic Dead.

Every time the people of this country observe Memorial day the obligation becomes greater. For each year more have passed from this life to whom is owed the debt of gratitude for services rendered in the development and preservation of the nation.

This is the true spirit of Memorial day, to commemorate the services of those who wrought for the republic, who served it in its hours of trial, who died for it. Originally conceived as an occasion for the bestowal of memories upon those who fell in the wars, the day has broadened, as it should broaden, into a commemoration of all who have given of their talents and wisdom as well as their strength and their life blood that the United States might survive and grow and become an institution for the highest achievements and the greatest happiness of man.

Those who have given their lives, or who suffered in bodily hurts in the wars in which this country has been involved, naturally come first in this reckoning of honor and praise today. But true patriotic service is not measured solely by military duty, great as may have been the sacrifice entailed by it. Statesmanship and citizenship in times of peace as well as in times of war have contributed to the up-keeping of the national ideals.

It is, perhaps, the best of all thoughts inspired by Memorial day that tokens of gratitude and reverence



are placed upon the graves of those who fought on both sides of the war between the states. This day, though it had its origin in the memories of that war when the rancors of civil strife had not subsided, is now a truly national service. The healing of that breach is most surely made manifest by the association of the representatives of both sections in the ceremonies that take place in all parts of the country.

The United States has become the stronger, the more surely a union of interests and the object of the highest wishes of men of all parts and states and sections because of the feelings that are each year on Memorial day given expression in the places of public assemblage, in orations, in music and in the impressive observances at the graves of the dead.

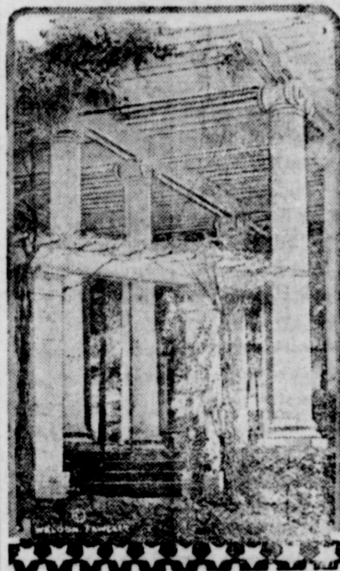
Growing in significance year by year, participated in more generally by the people of all the states, with a longer list of Americans who have given all they had for the nation's sake and for their ideals of America, Memorial day becomes one of the bulwarks of the nation. It is an inspiration to youth as it is a solace to the elders.—New York Sun.

**MEMORIAL Day** is for remembering the dead and what they did. It gives to the living the happy privilege of strewing flowers upon the honored graves of brave men and of gaining from their example a new inspiration to become better citizens and to strive to deserve the peace won through sacrifice.

**WORTHY OF THOSE HONORED**

Temple at Washington Will Reveal to the World the Gratitude of American Citizens.

More than five million stars, to be exact 5,016,832, of which 129,979 will be of gold and the others of blue, will stud the dome of the gigantic assembly hall in the George Washington National Victory Memorial building, in process of erection in Washington and which is expected to be completed in time for the inaugural ceremonies in 1925. This dome will really be an American service flag, bespangled with stars in geographical groups; a gold star for every one who died in the country's service during the World



war, and a blue one for each member of the army, navy and marine corps who served.

The building, which originally was known as the George Washington memorial, but later also designated as the Victory memorial, was authorized by an act of congress in 1913, on the site of the old Pennsylvania station in the Mall. The same act donated the land and designated that the structure, which will be erected by the George Washington Memorial association, be administered by regents of the Smithsonian institution.

The design of the white stone structure depicts a fine colonial building, with a pillared front facing the south, and a square ground plan. The memorial is to be four stories in height, surmounted by a low dome which crowns a huge central auditorium. The main feature of the edifice will be this national auditorium of spacious dimensions, giving the nation's capital a public meeting place of size ample to seat 10,000 people. The ground floor of the hall, in the form of a great ellipse, will have seats for 6,000 people, while above, an encircling balcony will accommodate several thousand more. There will be 38,000 square feet of space in the main floor, which will contain a number of smaller halls and reception rooms, a spacious stage, and a George Washington museum, besides the assembly hall. Within the auditorium may be held future inaugural receptions, national and international conventions, and free public concerts.

The present plan for financing the erection of the memorial is through state participation, each state subscribing a sum of money for each citizen who served in the World war. Some of the states will issue bonds while others will solicit funds by popular subscriptions. The nucleus of the fund is a sum left by the will of George Washington for educational purposes, and in his recent indorsement of the plan for the erection of the building President Harding feels that this desire will be fulfilled and the institution, through its varied uses, will be a veritable "university of American citizenship."

**TO THE men of '61 and to the men of '18 as well as to the men who served in the war of 1898 we pause to do equal and impartial homage. All have upheld the spirit of the republic; all have done their wonderful best to make our nation fulfill the ideal of the poet:**

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## GATES POOL CLAIMS TOLL

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sank again. Meanwhile Robert Estes, his brother-in-law, had put on a bathing suit and as he ran from the bath house to the lake he saw him struggling in the water and hastily swam to Henry who had sank a second time. Estes dived after him and brought him to the surface in an unconscious condition. He was carried to the bath house where Dr. Griggs attended him and he was soon allright, but a few seconds of delay would have added his name to the death list.

In the meantime, news of the tragedy spread to all parts of the city, and Baird was practically deserted, the members of the Baird Coyotes and Putnam baseball teams abandoned their game in the second inning and hastened to the scene, where they did yeoman service.

Many men entered the lake to search for the body of the drowned girl. The lake was dragged with seines, prodded with long poles and explored by at least half a hundred expert divers. At about 7 o'clock the body was located and Lee Ivey went down and brought it to the surface. Many willing hands assisted in getting the body to the raft and taking it ashore, where Dr. Griggs did everything possible to restore life, but every effort was in vain.

F. B. Cowan, father of the dead girl, was formerly foreman of the T. & P. shop here, but for the past several months has been in Marshall, where the family intended to move next week. He was notified of the tragic death of his little daughter, and reached home Monday evening.

The body was embalmed and prepared for burial by the H. Schwartz Undertaking establishment and shipped to Pine Bluff, Arkansas, the former home of the family, for burial, Tuesday morning on the 1:45 train. Mr. and Mrs. Cowan and little son, and Mrs. R. B. Rice accompanied the body.

Marylea Cowan, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Cowan, was born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, on October 12, 1908. The family have lived in Baird for the past three years, where Marylea has attended the Public School; being a graduate of the Grammar School this term. She was buried in her graduating dress, a dainty white organdy and the diploma, which she would have received at the graduating exercises of the public school tonight, was placed in her hands. Marylea was a lovable girl, the pride and joy of her parents and little brother, whose hearts are crushed by the tragedy. Marylea's sunny disposition won her many friends among old and young. She was especially loved by her classmates and associates, many of whom called at the home Monday, bringing beautiful flowers, to pay a last tribute to her whom they loved so well in life. Her classmates of the seventh grade, accompanied by their teacher, Miss Love, accompanied the body to the train as did many other friends.

The active pall bearers were: Lee Ivey, Earl Hall, George Hall, C. R. Brandon, Will Hinds, C. B. Holmes and D. Merrell and Cayle Hall.

Honorary Pall Bearers were: Lee Ivey, J. H. Grimes, J. J. Laman, C. E. McGowan, C. E. Gates, Everett Skellum, Sam Wristen, Louis Crutchfield, Clyde White, Grady Respass, Win Brown, Weldon White, Cleo

## Harris, Frank Beardon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan request The Star, in their behalf to thank every one who in any way helped in trying to save their daughters life or in helping to recover the body also for kindness to them in the sad hours. They want all to know that they deeply appreciate every kindness and every flower placed on her casket.

## RECITAL AT THE DANIEL BAKER SCHOOL OF MUSIC, BROWNWOOD

The second graduation recital of Daniel Baker School of Music was held Monday evening, May 7th. Mollie McFarlane Brightwell, Pianist, and Myrtle Gerganess Carroll, Pianist, assisted by Mrs. Howard Killpatrick, Soprano, rendered the program.

The opening number, the great Fantasia in C Minor by Mozart with the second piano as written by Grieg, was a beautiful beginning played with rare grace and charm.

A group of numbers by Beethoven, Chopin, Schumann, Cluck-Brahms was played by Mrs. Brightwell. Mrs. Brightwell has a sympathetic touch which she controls skillfully. Her playing was characterized by many beautiful moments. The Sonata Allegro and the Nocturne in F sharp were especially good. In the Gavotte by Gluck-Brahms, a beautiful staccato, was shown. The closing number, Spanish Rhapsody, by Abnez displayed a considerable amount of technical mastery. Miss Catherine Wear played the second piano part. This number abounds in rich harmonies and bright melodies.

Mrs. Carroll opened her group with the Impromptu in E flat by Schubert. A facile finger technique and a fine motional gift were evident at once. The Waltz in A flat by Brahms was beautifully played in the Hungarian Dance, Brahms was beautifully played. In the Hungarian Dance, Brahms, and "In Autumn", Franz Rogers, Mrs. Carroll displayed a technique of expression which is remarkable. The later piece especially is of a type which requires just this ability and Mrs. Carroll did it very well indeed.

Mrs. Killpatrick sings in a very pleasing manner. A group of songs by Sickles, Hahn, Dicht, were chosen to display the delightful quality of a high soprano voice.—Brownwood News.

## SAM MUST BE A CROP-BLIND GUY

Sam Lamar returned Monday from a visit at Cross Plains and other points in Callahan County. He reports conditions in that section far from favorable and states it is going to be up to West Texas to produce bumper crops.—Big Spring Herald.

Sam must have gone through Callahan County wearing smoked glasses with his eyes shut, or else he is one of these crop-blind guys. Never, in the history of this super-fertile county has there been such a glorious Spring promise of abundant Autumn crops, and our farmers are as happy as a bunch of razor back hogs in a goober patch.

## THANKING KIND FRIENDS

We want to thank our many dear friends who so kindly remembered us in the sad death of our dear wife and mother, especially the kind ladies who contributed the beautiful flowers.

May God bless you all, is our sincere prayer, and may we meet in that Land Just Over There.

C. E. South and family

## MRS. JACKSON GIVEN A PARTY

Mrs. H. N. Ebert and her sister, Mrs. Pat Haley, honored their mother, Mrs. J. A. Jackson, with a surprise party at the Ebert home, Friday, May 11, from 3 to 5 p. m.

The living room was beautifully decorated in cut flowers and pink and green streamers. The dining room was decorated to match. The other rooms were a mass of blooming flowers.

The guests all arrived at three o'clock and were busy talking when Mrs. Ebert prevailed upon her mother to walk over to the house. As Mrs. Jackson entered the living room a great silence fell upon the assembled hostesses, and it was some time before the honoree realized what the assemblage meant.

A burst of merry laughter relieved the tension, and the attention of Mrs. Jackson was directed to a large box standing in the doorway. When it was opened it was found filled with so many pretty things—presents from her many friends—that words could neither fitly describe them nor the joyous delight of Mrs. Jackson.

There was an entertaining prelude until, at four o'clock, dainty refreshments of strawberry cream and angel food cake were served to the following guests: Mesdames Ed Yarboro, S. E. Jones, M. J. Gilliland, Eli Gilliland, W. K. Boatwright, W. B. Vaughn, Mose Franklin, J. E. Mitchell, S. M. Barclay, S. M. Houghton, J. J. Price, A. Cooke, Mary Warren, Mary Teeple, B. J. Lambert, W. L. Henry, J. D. Boydston, O. A. Martin; E. Mitchell, of Lawd; S. O. Holmes, of Abilene.

Mrs. Ebert was assisted by her daughter, Miss Sallye, Mrs. Roy Jackson, the Misses Harris and Theresa H. Weddington. The favors were corsages of roses.

## LIVESTOCK MEN TO MEET IN CISCO

To the Members of the Tri County Livestock Association:

There will be a meeting of the Tri-County Livestock Association at Cisco, tomorrow, Saturday, May 26, at 2 p. m., at the City Hall.

There will be several important matters brought up for general discussion, and it is urged that every person who is interested in the development of the livestock industry attend this meeting.

M. W. Armistead, President.  
G. C. Richardson, Secretary.

## TRESPASS NOTICE

All property lying south and west of Putnam belonging to R. E. Scott is posted. No trespassing, hunting or fishing allowed. Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

24-1t M. W. Armistead, Mgr.

## PILES CURED

I will be in Baird Tuesday, May 29, from 10 to 12 o'clock. I treat piles without the knife, pain or detention from work. If you are troubled with Piles see me on said date.

Dr. E. E. Cockerell, Rectal Specialist, Abilene, Texas.

Burney Richardson, of Wagner, Oklahoma, visited his sister, Mrs. Murray Harris, last week.

## NOTICE, PROBATE OF WILL

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

You are Hereby Commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Callahan, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once a week for a period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application for Probate of Will

The State of Texas, To all persons interested in the estate of Mrs. Alida Robbins, deceased, Miss Minnie Robbins has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said Mrs. Alida Robbins, Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in June A. D. 1923, the same being the 4th day of June A. D. 1923, at the Court House thereof, in Baird, at which time all person interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof 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 16th day of May A. D. 1923.

GRADY G. RESPASS, Clerk 24 Co., Court, Callahan Co., Texas

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals for the construction of a concrete bridge across Mexia Creek in Callahan County, will be received by the Commissioner's Court until 3:00 P. M. June 1st, 1923 and publically opened and read.

Length of bridge 156 feet.  
Width of driveway 20 feet.  
475 cubic yards dry excavation.  
75 cubic yards wet excavation.  
71 cubic yards rock excavation.  
400.78 cubic yards Class A concrete (1:2:4 mix)  
65782 feet reinforcing steel  
310 lineal feet of guard rail  
4414.6 cubic yards earth borrow (approach to bridge)  
363.31 cubic yard gravel first one-fourth mile.

A certified check for the sum of \$1,000.00 made payable without recourse to the order of Victor B. Gilbert, County Judge of Callahan County, must accompany each proposal.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Detailed plans and specifications may be seen and information obtained at office of L. C. McCandless, County Engineer, Moran, Texas; Office of County Judge, Baird, Texas or from the State Highway Department at Austin, Texas.

Victor B. Gilbert, County Judge, 24-2t Callahan County, Texas

The entertainment given Thursday night of last week at the Tabernacle by the pupils of the primary and grammar grades of the Baird Public School, was witnessed by a sympathetic and appreciative crowd, which packed the big building. The spectacle, which was a brilliantly beautiful and well presented one, was entitled: "The United States in Procession," a pageant in which each State was suggested through its motto, flower, chief product or some event in its history. Master Ralph Short was the announcer, and he filled the position with dignity and sonorounness. With the entire cast grouped on the stage, as glorious "Texas" entered as a finale, in a blaze of red lights, with Old Glory draped as a background, the children sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and the big audience rose en masse, to pay our country's flag reverence.

## CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone who in anyway assisted in recovering the body of Marylea Cowan, who was drowned in the lake last Sunday.

C. E. Gates, Mgr.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FURNISHED HOUSE—for rent 23-1t Miss Dora Buckels,

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FOR SALE—Team and wagon, low wheels. Also cook stove, turns wood or coal. J. P. Davis, Box 606, 25-1tp Baird, Texas.

FOR SALE—A good team of horses also a good piano. If you want a bargain see me. Mrs. C. E. Strain 25-2tp Baird, Texas.

DINNER—The T-P Cafe Plate Dinner for 50 cents is a filling meal, composed of the best food products, prepared by competent chefs, and served by polite and attentive waiters. 25-1t

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COTTON SEED—I have first year kash cotton seed grown on my farm in 1922. Reel-and-d, sacked and delivered at your station at \$1.50 per bu. F. W. Alexander, 21-5tp Albany, Texas

WANTED—Agents to represent one of the best and cheapest Sickness and Accident Insurance companies in the United States. Liberal commission allowed agents. See or write, 14-2p J. C. Mason, Merkel, Texas.

FOR RENT—My home in Baird, near Public School building. 5 rooms and sleeping porch. I also have a folding bed, wardrobe, china closet, dining table and chairs for sale. See me before June 1 and 6th. Mrs. C. E. Hill, Phone, 169. 25-2t

WANTED—Washing and ironing to do. I must have a living. 35 cents per doz. for washing, 50 cents per doz. for ironing starched, 40 cents per doz. for ironing unstarched. Call and see me at Mrs. Winns place in west Baird. 25-3tp

LOST—Between Putnam and Abilene, paper hat bag, containing Ladies blue-black Canton Crepe dress baded with dark blue and red beads; One dark blue T-rocotine skirt, and one gray and blue ladies hat. For reward notify Mrs. McDonald' 1858 S. 7th St. Abilene. 25-1tp