

The Baird Star.

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

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KEEN FOR ATHLETICS

Was The Bunch That Met At The Court House Last Night And Organized

Strength is not always in numbers. A small, well organized body of men or women, working in thorough accord, have overturned empires and changed the geography of this old world, times without number.

There are quite a number of enterprising men and women in Baird and—taking lesson from the experiences of the late World War—they realize that the future of America depends on the sound bodies and healthy minds of its coming men and women.

There is no disputing the fact that a strong and healthy body is as necessary to the welfare of a human as a strong and healthy mind. All work and no play make dullards of both Jack and Gill.

It was that prime idea that inspired that always enterprising and progressive citizen Emmerson Deliscus Merrill to call a meeting of those of his friends of kindred thought at the Court House last night.

The response to his invitation was not so awfully formidable numerically speaking, but what the gathering lacked in size it more than counterbalanced in aggressive enthusiasm and go-gettiveness, and this small snowball of progressive athleticism set in motion at the Court House last night may—and probably will, with Ed Merrill to give it the initial push—thunder down the Mountain of Time with a force irresistible and beneficial.

A temporary organization was perfected by calling Progressive Mr Merrill to the Chair and Aggressive Mr. Charters to the Secretary's Desk. Ways and means to a triumphant end were discussed and the following officers of the new organization were elected:

President: Emmerson Deliscus Merrill.
Vice President: Fred L. Wristen.
Secretary-Treasurer: W. R. Charters.
Sergeant-at-Arms: John Hildreth.

A second meeting of the as yet unnamed organization will be held at the same place next Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock, and a rousing turnout is expected.

The person coining the most appropriate name for the "athletes," as Jack Keefe would dub them, will be given free initiation into the new organization.

JOHN FRASER DIES AT MARSHALL

News was received here this evening of the death of John Fraser at the T. & P. Hospital at Marshall. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Fraser and Wendell Fraser left on the night train for Marshall. Mrs. Fraser was with her husband. They will bring the remains home Sunday and the funeral will probably be held Monday.

"HILL TOP" CONTEST IN M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School, Mrs. Verda James, called a meeting of the S. S. Council Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Bro. Mayhew made quite an interesting talk and outlined the Sunday School program for the first three months of the New Year. The Council then decided to start the "Hill Top" Contest. The Sunday School is to be divided into three groups, the Red, White and Blue. The Sunday School classes are divided as follows: The Reds, Mrs. McCoy's, Mrs. Ford Driskill's, Mr. M. G. Farmer's, Miss Lucile Calvert's, Mr. Percy Robert's. The Whites, Mr. W. E. Gilliland's, Mr. B. L. Russell, Jr., Mrs. B. S. Jones, Mr. J. Brice Jones' and Miss Eliska Gilliland's. The Blues, Mr. Ace Hickman's, Mrs. Ace Hickman's, Mrs. J. F. Greenrock's, Miss Lucile Farmer's, Mrs. Thomas's. Mrs. V. E. Hill's class will be divided equally into the three groups.

All Methodists who are not now members of the Methodist Sunday School are invited to come and join.

"42" CLUB ENTERTAINED

Mrs. R. E. Alexander was hostess Saturday afternoon to the "42" Club. After Progressive "42" was played awhile, the winner being Miss Dulcie Price, three new members were initiated.

Mrs. Alexander served delicious refreshments of salad, hot chocolate and cakes to the following: Misses Saloma Alexander, Louise Bell, Nora Davis, Ressa Faye Enoch, Belva Evans, Isa Grimes, Nina McFarlane, Louise McGowen, Dulcie Price and Catherine Mullican.

At this meeting the regular monthly business meeting of the Club was held conducted by the President, Miss Isa Grimes.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM

Program for Sunday, Jan., 13th, at 5 P. M.
Topic: How and When Jesus Prayed.
Song.
Lord's Prayer by all.
Scripture Reading, John 17th Chapter.—Miss Saloma Alexander.
Leader's Talk: Praying According to Plan.—Miss Nora Davis.
Song.
How Jesus Prayed—Miss Nina McFarlane.
When Jesus Prayed—Miss Catherine Mullican.
Duet—Misses Ressa Faye Enoch and Dulcie Price.
Open Meeting.
Benediction.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Evans, on Sunday, January 6, 1924, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tankersley on Wednesday, January 9, 1924, a daughter.

Cullen Landis, who is one of the finest horsemen in the West, plays a leading role in "Pioneer Trails" opposite Calhoun. He will be seen in this Vitagraph special production at the Sigal Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, January 14—15.

FARMERS LIVE WELL

In Callahan County When They Diversify Their Crops And Till Soil Intelligently

In brief talks with farmers and stockmen from various parts of the county, since the harvesting of the 1923 cotton crop, The Star feels safe in predicting—barring Divine interposition and the insect pests—a very favorable outlook for these two vocations in Callahan County the present year.

At the present writing there is an abundance of moisture in the ground and this will doubtless be augmented by the Spring rains. The recent cold snap doubtless killed millions of noxious insects, and if the new crop is made war upon in time, these destroyers of field products, can be kept within reasonable bounds.

The grain crops, barring accidents, will produce up to the average, and if fair prices are received for these products, the farmer who diversifies his crops will have money to keep him going until cotton picking time.

Diversified agriculture in this favored and fertile county, if intelligently and scientifically pursued, is bound to pay. Some of these side crops may look insignificant to the farmer who makes a specialty of one or two crops, but it is the cash money received from the sale of fresh vegetables, fruit, eggs, chickens, &c., that reduces the farmer's living expenses to the vanishing point.

The Star could name a number of these twentieth century farmers in Callahan County who "live at home and board at the same place" on the best. They are always able to meet their bills promptly or pay cash for what they get. They contribute liberally to churches and schools and all other worthy objects. They pay their taxes promptly and the only use they have for banks is as a place of safe keeping for their money, or get expert advice when they want a place of safe investment for their surplus cash.

That's the life! See if you can't live it this year and every year hereafter.

JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

Leader: Norris Kelton
Song:
Roll Call: Scripture Responses.
Song.
Lord's Prayer in Concert.
Reading: Winnie Lee Oliphant.
Trio: Dollie Oliphant, Willie Mae Smartt, Grace Jackson.
Bible Character Story: Lanham Bains.
Scripture Contest, Spelling Match
Style.
League Benediction.
Time—2 o'clock next Sunday Afternoon.
Place—First Methodist Church.
Forty-eight have been enrolled as members of the Junior League during the past four weeks. The "Whites" are ahead somewhat in the contest, but the "Reds" have a fine chance to win if they do some good work.

WIFE OF CITY ENGINEER DIED ON TUESDAY LAST

Mrs. Annie Lee Word, aged 23, wife of City Engineer J. E. Word, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander Tuesday at noon. The body was taken to Lampasas for interment that night, being accompanied by the grief stricken husband and his mother.

At the beginning of her illness the dead lady was tenderly nursed by her mother, Mrs. Henderson, until a week ago, when she was called to her home in Lampasas by the death of a son-in-law.

Interment was made at Lampasas and Mr. Word will return to his duties Sunday night.

During her short residence in this city Mrs. Word made many friends, who will mourn her untimely taking off and these, together with The Star, tender the bereaved husband their sincere condolence.

THIS TRIO OF BAIRD HUNTERS BAG 43 HEAD OF FAT DUCKS

Messrs. Brown Jones, K. K. Francis and W. D. Weems are some "baggers" when it comes to bagging ducks.

Wednesday afternoon of last week they sallied forth accoutred cap-a-pie for migratory waterfowl. About eight miles from Baird, in a small water hole, they found the quackers thicker than flies on a hound pup.

In an incredibly short space of time they had to their credit 43 birds—mallards, redheads and butter balls. When they staggered into town under this load of aquatic game fowls they generously divided their "bag" among their friends, and next day many Baird families had roast duck as the piece-de-resistance at dinner.

WILLIAM J. EVANS ANNOUNCES

To the Voters of Callahan Co.:
I hereby announce for reelection for Tax Assessor. I wish to thank the people for their support in the past. If elected for the second term I will do my very best to serve you better. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

W. J. Evans.

GRADY G. RESPESS IS IN THE RACE FOR COUNTY CLERK.

In making my announcement to the voters of Callahan County, I wish to thank you for what you have done for me in the past, and hope that you have had these services rendered you that you expected from me when you elected me to this office, and furthermore I want to state that I am better qualified to serve you efficiently after having familiarized myself with the many details of this office, and if you will elect me to the office of County Clerk of your county another term I will promise you that I will attend strictly to the business of the office in a courteous, manly and energetic manner.

Respectfully yours,

Grady G. Respass.

SEVEN MORE CANDIDATES

Appeal To The "Dear Peepul" This Week For Their Moral Support And Vote

The political pot in Callahan County is beginning to boil. Below seven candidates present their claims to the "dear peepul," six for County Offices and one for a Municipal Office. These candidates are as follows:

County Judge Victor E. Gilbert asks for reelection, as does Tax Assessor W. J. Evans, County Superintendent of Public Instruction B. C. Chrisman and Sheriff C. E. Bray. Messrs. Gilbert, Evans and Bray are serving their first term; Messrs: Respass and Chrisman ask for a third term.

The new comers are ex-Sheriff George Houston Corn who was defeated in the primaries two years ago by Sheriff Bray and Ed Lambert, who is ambitious to succeed W. L. Ashton as City Marshal and Water Commissioner, who will not again be a candidate.

BILL SANDERS DIES

Bill Sanders, age 63 years, a well known citizen of the Tecumseh country, died at his home in Lawn last Friday night and the remains were interred in the Rogers Cemetery Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the funeral being attended by one of the largest crowds that ever assembled at that cemetery.

Mr. Sanders was for many years foreman on the Newt Ferguson ranch on Jim Ned. He is survived by his wife and two sons. Mrs. Sanders was before her marriage Miss Maggie Mitchell, a half-sister of Mrs. Tom Windham, of Oplin, and Oscar P. Jones, of Amarillo.

MARRIED

Mr. Howard C. Martin, of Tullia, and Miss Nell Davis, daughter of a prominent ranchman, of Sonora, were married at Lockhart on November 23, 1923, by Rev. Henkel, pastor of the Baptist Church. The young people are students in the State University and returned to Austin and resumed their studies and did not announce their marriage to their friends until Christmas day. They will continue their studies in the University.

Mr. Martin is a son of A. P. Martin, of Tullia, and a grandson of Mrs. H. C. Martin, of Baird.

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Splendid congregations and good services last Sunday. But some were absent who ought to have been there, especially among the Methodists. We missed you.

Visitors are always welcome at all our services, and we want them to feel so.

Sunday School begins promptly at 10 o'clock. The morning preaching service begins at 11, and the evening service begins promptly at 7 o'clock. Please bear these hours in mind and be prompt in attendance.

A forward movement along all lines is our motto for the New Year. Help us to live up to it.

W. J. Mayhew, Pastor.

BRIEFS BY CABLE, WIRE, WIRELESS

Great Events That Are Changing the World's Destiny Told in Paragraphs

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ALL

Short Chronicle of Past Occurrences Throughout the Union and Our Colonies—News From Europe That Will Interest.

DOMESTIC

The twenty-year sentence of Congressman Jesus Salas B., confessed slayer of Gen. Francisco Villa, has been sustained by the Supreme Court in Chihuahua City, according to information received by former Villistas in Juarez.

A superstition has existed in the family of Martin Finken of Nyack, N. Y., that a giant oak in front of the Finken farm house would bring a mishap to the family. Recently it crashed down on Harry Finken and killed him when he was chopping it down.

Mrs. Mary Reise, of Brooklyn, fell from a fourth story window while hanging clothes on a line. She got up walked up three flights of stairs to her apartment and went to bed. Her fall was broken by clotheslines stretched from windows below and she suffered only slight injuries.

Between June 8 and Dec. 7 the Ford Motor Company produced 1,111,111 motors at its Highland Park plant in Detroit. On June 8 motor No. 7,777,777 went off the assembly line and was shipped to Los Angeles. On Dec. 7 motor No. 8,888,888 was completed and shipped to Chicago.

Responding to a riot call, police rushed to a Miami, Fla., theatre where a crowd of 500 persons had jammed into the lobby when Miss Clara Lamme, 17, who had been denied a prize at a bathing revue, calmly disrobed. Miss Lamme sought to prove in the lobby that her charms were superior to the beauty winners who at the moment were parading on the stage.

There is no redress at law for getting hit by a golf ball on a golf course, not in New York courts, at any rate. This was decided when a supreme court jury returned a verdict for the defendant in John B. Harris' \$15,000 personal injury suit against Henry Coe, Jr., arising out of the injuries Harris received on the links of the Rumson, N. J., Country club.

Workmen excavating a wing of the new Biltmore hotel in Atlanta recently ran into a peculiar stratum of light-colored earth. When a blow torch was turned on the material it fused into a light, metallic mass. At the laboratories of the Georgia school of technology the earth has been pronounced high grade bauxite—the ore from which aluminum is made. The bauxite layer grows wider and deeper underground.

Thirty-two pounds of Porto Rico yams were taken from a single hill by Joe Hooks, a farmer living near Andersonville, Ga. One of the giant yams in the hill tipped the beam at exactly 15 pounds, and is probably the largest sweet potato ever raised in that community. The potatoes were grown in soil from which a crop of Irish potatoes had been previously taken, and no fertilizer whatever was used in their production.

Mrs. Augusta Rudd McDonald, 49, a widow with two daughters who have graduated and a son attending college, has become a co-ed at Northwestern university of Chicago, where she is specializing in a course of systematic theology. She has been "rushed" by sororities and has become a member of Phi Beta Phi, and is active in all phases of university life. "Widows should go to college instead of joining women's clubs," she says.

WASHINGTON

Assistance in the task of finding jobs for rehabilitated former service men has been asked by President Coolidge in letters to the American Federation of Labor, the United States Chamber of Commerce and chambers of commerce of the larger cities. The suggestion was made by the President that the various organizations establish permanent committees to solve the problem for the disabled veterans in their respective communities.

Tea imported into the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30 totaled 96,267,920 pounds, an increase of nearly 9,000,000 pounds over the year preceding.

By taking an agricultural census every five years greater accuracy in crop and live stock estimates will be possible, according to the crop reporting board of the United States Department of Agriculture, and for which Congress has already passed the basic law and will be employed in 1925.

Poison liquor and alcoholism have been officially recorded as the cause of 2,467 deaths in the United States the past year, according to the Government Census Bureau.

Louis A. Hill, one of the storm centers in the long controversy growing out of the dismissal by President Harding of Bureau of Engraving and Printing employes has resigned as director of the bureau.

The building of a 25-mile fence from El Paso eastward to mark the international boundary will be asked the Department of Agriculture and the Treasury Department, upon the showing made by Representative Hudspeth and former Governor Curry, of the International Boundary Commission.

Senator Magnus Johnson, Farmer Labor, of Minnesota, called on President Coolidge to recommend the appointment of Williams Lemke of Fargo, N. D., as Ambassador to Mexico. Mr. Lemke is a former Attorney General of North Dakota and was an organizer of the Non-partisan League.

Failing health, due to injuries received in the World War, has caused Sir Auckland Geddes to resign his post as ambassador for Great Britain at Washington and it is expected in informed circles here that Sir Esme William Howard, at present British ambassador at Madrid, will be named as his successor.

A formal call has been issued in Washington for the fifth annual convention of the National League of Women Voters, which is to meet in Buffalo, April 24. The convention will signal the opening of an intensive Nation-wide campaign "to get the vote" for the 1924 election. League officials expect every State to be represented.

Explanation of fluctuations in Mammoth Oil Company stock prior to approval of the lease of the Teapot Dome reserve, in Wyoming to Harry F. Sinclair, was sought from officials of the Chase National bank and the Chase Securities company, both of New York, who were called as witnesses before the senate public lands committee in its investigation of naval oil reserve leases.

Ernest N. Smith, chief of the campaign department of the United States Chamber of Commerce and former executive secretary of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed general manager of the American Automobile Association, a newly created position, according to an announcement made here by Thomas P. Henry of Detroit, president of the A. A. A. Mr. Smith will assume his new duties at once.

The prohibition party will hold its national convention at Columbus, O., to nominate a presidential ticket for the 1924 campaign. The national committee decided that the convention should be held prior to June 10, when the Republican convention will begin at Cleveland, and instructed the party's executive committee to select a date and make other arrangements.

FOREIGN

Workmen repairing a subsidence in the main road at Llanfairfechan, Carnarvonshire, found it was caused by a network of rat holes leading to a commodious chamber lined with omnibus tickets, newspapers and leaves.

Success attended recent attempts to hear throughout Britain a program broadcast from America. The North Downs receiving station in the County of Kent, notwithstanding much atmospheric disturbance, received distinctly a program from East Pittsburgh, which included organ and piano solos, and a lecture to Boy Scouts.

The British members of the expert committees which are to examine Germany's financial situation under the auspices of the reparation commission, it is learned, will be Montagu Norman, governor of the Bank of England; Sir Josiah Stamp, economic and statistical authority, and Reginald McKenna, former Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Canada marketed 3,240,303 barrels of apples the past year, according to the latest estimates of the fruit branch of the dominion department of agriculture. Figures show that British Columbia increased its production to 1,047,303 barrels, as compared with 795,000 barrels last year.



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The scout, riding shoulder hard against the lead horses of the landships, swung them into a circle which narrowed as bull whacker and mule skinnners obeyed orders until wagon touched wagon, a defense wall against the redskins.

Night and terror; dawn and the battle; screeching Indians; wailing children; flaming arrow and Fire!

Sunset. Triumphant warriors disappeared in the mountain passes. Out of the smoking debris walked a boy of four--alone!

What is his destiny? See

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SIGAL THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 14 & 15

ADMISSION: Children only 10c, Adults 50c

6 O S Signal of Steamer Picked Up. New York.—An S O S from the steamer Sorriso, 200 miles off Cape Henry, was picked up by the Chat-ham (Mass.) radio station at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, according to the Naval Communication Service here. The message was relayed by the steamer East Side and simply stated that the Sorriso was in distress and unable to receive radio signals. The Coast Guard cutter Manning has been dispatched to aid the distressed vessel.

Howard Carter and the others of his expedition hope to begin at once the task of dismantling the sides of the great wooden canopy or outer shrine, over the sarcophagus of the Pharaoh Tut-Ankh-Amen, thereby fully disclosing to view the second shrine, which at present is covered with a gold embossed linen pall, hung over a wooden rack at either end.

Extension of the city and South London tube to Morden has begun. When complete it will be the longest tunnel in the world.

Angelo Stabile, a wireless operator in the Italian navy, fell 400 feet from the antenna atop the local station, but was not seriously hurt. He crashed into the network of supporting wires, on which he hung suspended until the workmen who rushed to his assistance carried him below. Once on the ground he revived and was able to walk to a hospital.

Further speed contests between naval air service flyers such as those recently at Mitchel field, N. Y., were prohibited for an indefinite period under an order issued by Admiral W. A. Moffett, chief of the Bureau of Naval Aeronautics. Admiral Moffett based his decision on an opinion by his technical staff that naval flyers now have achieved the maximum speed in the air which is possible without grave risk of human life.

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Venezelos Risks Life to Visit Greece

Paris.—Ex-Premier Venezelos planned to leave Paris for Athens some time Friday night. Risking assassination by political opponents and overruling the objections of his wife, who remains here, the aged statesman is going back to make one more effort to lead Greece out of the chaos that has followed the World War. His secretary refused to announce the time of the ex-Premier's departure, saying that secrecy was necessary "for reasons of safety."

In Iceland it has been announced that the people are about to do away with coal as a heating medium. The authorities in Reykjavik, the capital, are considering using the natural hot springs and geysers for heating the entire country. The famous geysers are about a mile from the city and have been long used by the Reykjavik housewives for a free laundry and hot water supply. The waters will be brought into the city through wooden pipes and into the buildings.

FOREIGN

When George Lill, the famous London bookmaker, was buried his silk hat was placed in his grave at his request.

Admiral Beatty has asked to be relieved of the post of First Sea Lord of the Admiralty at an early date and may quit within a few weeks.

The appointment of Frank B. Kellogg as United States Ambassador to Great Britain has been formally accepted by the British Government, it has been announced.

Reichsbank notes will be outlawed in the Rhineland after Nov. 15, it is announced at Separatist headquarters. The issue of new republican currency is almost ready for circulation.

Gen. Antonio Villareal, former Secretary of Agriculture, and until recently an aspirant for the Mexican presidential nomination by the Liberal Constitutional party, has retired from the race. His decision follows that of Gen. Raoul Madera.

The court-martial in Salonika, which has been trying officers involved in the recent revolt, has sentenced Colonel Marinatos, Colonel Spanavangelis and Captain Marketos to death and several other officers to terms of imprisonment. Many of the accused were acquitted.

A presidential decree just made public grants to Mexicans the right of seizure, without formalities, of water rights for irrigation purposes in those districts where water courses are under Federal control. This supplements President Obregon's decree of last August throwing open the Federal lands for agricultural

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Liver Medicine

and the good medicine it was, I had been having a tired feeling when I'd get up in the morning. I would be stiff and sore, and had a slimy, bad taste in my mouth, but didn't think so much of it till I began to feel stupid and didn't feel like eating—then I knew I needed medicine. It was then I began Black-Draught, and I felt all made over, ready for any kind of work, ready to eat and sleep. So, for any return of this trouble, I take Black-Draught, and for 25 years it has been my medicine, and I wouldn't be without it at all. My work is constant. I am on my feet a lot. I am out of doors, and fresh air and Black-Draught are all the medicines I need. I recommend it to others for I know it is good."

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30 TO 40 KILLED IN DUST EXPLOSION

Eleven of Injured Expected to Die— Fire, Still Burning, Destroys Two Buildings.

Pekin, Ill.—Between 30 and 40 known dead or missing and 42 persons seriously injured, 11 of them probably fatally, was the toll taken as the result of a dust explosion that destroyed two buildings of the Corn Products Company plant here Thursday morning.

Last reports, still uncertain, because of the possibility that some survivors listed as missing may have gone home, "checking out," led Supt. H. B. Lawton to issue an official statement that he was unable to say how many had been killed.

Fighting ice and fire, and the fear that overhanging walls might crash down upon them, relief workers toiled far into the night. To date they have accomplished nothing definite except to clear away some of the debris that buried an uncertain number of victims of the explosion.

The fire is still burning. Streams of water directed on it by Peoria firemen kept it in check, but added to the difficulty of wreckers by coating debris with thick ice.

Wives and families of the victims displayed unusual coolness. They did not congregate at the plant, but kept coming and going in steady succession inquiring with quivering lips for word that their loved ones might have been rescued early in the afternoon, when the word went out that if it was possible the missing had survived explosion, the fire and the falling debris, their lives by that time would have been ended by the cold.

Nearly all the dead, missing and injured are Americans, residents of the little town of Pekin, whose 13,000 people were torn with similar grief in 1917, when the river steamer Columbia bore 86 Pekin excursionists to a grave in the Illinois River between here and Peoria.

Washington. — The Department of Agriculture, it has been announced, will investigate the explosion at the plant of the Corn Products Refining Company at Pekin, Ill., which took a toll of between 30 and 40 lives. The explosion, it was said, appears to have been the most disastrous of its type that ever has occurred in an industrial plant in this country.

At the department it was said that David J. Price, engineer in charge of dust explosion investigations in the bureau of chemistry, had been authorized to comply with a request of officials of the Corn Products Company and assist in determining the cause of the explosion. Mr. Price will leave for Pekin at once and will be accompanied by Hylton R. Brown, associate engineer.

THE FLEET CORPORATION WILL HANDLE SHIPPING

Plan Worked Out at White House Conference—Palmer is President.

Washington.—Decision was reached at a shipping conference held at the White House to place operation and control of Government-owned merchant tonnage in the hands of the Emergency Fleet Corporation with Leigh C. Palmer, former chief of the Navy Department bureau of investigation, as president.

The decision is in line with recommendations recently submitted to President Coolidge by Chairman Jones of the Senate committee and was approved by those attending the conference.

Present at the conference, in addition to the President and Chairman Jones were the members of the Shipping Board, Senator Fletcher of Florida, ranking Democrat, on the Senate Commerce Committee; Representative Green of Massachusetts and Representative Edmonds of Pennsylvania, chairman and ranking Republican member, respectively, of the House Merchant Marine Committee.

Under the plan as finally worked out the Shipping Board will become more of a regulatory and advisory agency. The vacancy on the board caused by the resignation of Chairman Farley, following an adverse report on his nomination by the Senate Commerce Committee, probably will be filled by the appointment of a man from the middle west.

Earth Shocks in Italian Province. Rome. — Continued earthquake shocks are spreading alarm through two zones in Italy, one a strip of country across Central Italy from the Tyrrhenian Sea to the Adriatic, the other a belt of Southern Sicily. The most severe shocks of the present disturbances were registered in the Province of Ancona.

MONUMENTS

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CONGRESS READY TO TACKLE BUSINESS

First Important Measures House Will Consider Are Annual Appropriation Bills

Washington.—Congress came back Thursday from its Christmas recess ready to begin the serious work of the season. With committees of both the House and Senate organized, the way is cleared for Republican leaders to press for enactment of legislation recommended by President Coolidge in his first annual message. They will seek to wind up the work of the season in time for adjournment just before the Republican National Convention meets five months hence.

While the Senate still is deadlocked over the election of a chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee, majority leaders are hopeful that this problem will be solved one way or another within a few days. Ballotting for a chairman will be resumed at once with little prospect of a decision, but there appears to be a growing sentiment in favor of permitting the committee to function without the formal election of a chairman, so that the Senate may proceed with other business.

The first important measures to come before the House will be the annual appropriation bills on which subcommittees have been working during the holiday recess. Until the first of these is ready early next week, the House will mark time during prepared speeches by members.

Among those to be delivered on Thursday will be one by Representative Treadway (Rep.) of Massachusetts, on the anthracite situation; another by Representative Upshaw (Dem.) of Georgia, on "the majesty of the law and national sobriety," and a third by Pedro Guevaran, the new resident Philippine Islands Commissioner, who will discuss Philippine independence.

Consideration of tax legislation, the most important question that will come before Congress at this session will be resumed immediately by the House Ways and Means Committee, which has agreed on a program of studying administrative provisions of the Mellon bill before acting on the soldiers' bonus or rate schedules in the revenue bill. Committee members said another ten days or two weeks would be required to complete consideration of the administrative features.

Meantime Republican members of the House who are former service men expect to force the issue on the bonus. They are circulating a petition for a Republican party conference on Jan. 10, with a view to having the majority membership instruct the Ways and Means Committee to report the bonus bill ahead of the tax revision measure. Some Republican leaders have expressed opposition to the conference plan, but those back of the movement insist they will go ahead with their program.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF GREECE SEATED

America's Aid is Cheered as Republican Government Takes Office

Athens.—Amid shouts from the deputies and the galleries of "Long live the Republic; down with the king," Greece's revolutionary Government was turned over to the newly elected National Assembly by Col. Plastiras, head of the revolutionary committee.

Colonel Plastiras opened the session with a speech in which he enumerated the achievements of the revolutionary Government, which took power with the abdication of King Constantine in the fall of 1922.

Premier Gonatas followed with an announcement of the resignation of his Government which held office under the revolutionary regime.

The Cabinet withdrew from the session after its resignation. The Republicans and the liberal Democrats remained in the house and endeavored to form a quorum to elect a speaker.

The American and British diplomats did not attend the proceedings.

Withdraws Half of Ruhr Forces

Paris.—Almost on the first anniversary of the occupation of the Ruhr, France is reducing her military forces there by half their number. Only three divisions will eventually remain in the area, being stationed in the cities of Dusseldorf, Essen and Dortmund. The process of withdrawal is already under way and troops are being gradually moved out in small units.

Give Flesh to Save Girl

Lockney, Floyd Co., Texas.—Three hundred square inches of flesh are necessary to cover the worst burned spots on the face, neck and body of Irene Smith, a little girl, and a number of citizens have volunteered to furnish the required flesh from their own bodies. The flesh taken from the men will be used on the body of the little girl. Skin from Lockney women will be grafted on her face. Irene was burned while attempting to light a fire.

ARKANSANS ESTABLISH CORRECT WEIGHT RECORD

More than 1,500 men, women and children had been weighed and measured for health at the Red Cross booth at the Washington County fair held at Fayetteville, Arkansas. Best records for proper weight for age and height were found between the ages of 20 and 30, and astonishingly few were found to be over or under weight.

Washington County people made a remarkable showing in the matter of health as indicated by weight and measurement, according to experts who have looked over the records. Children between the ages of 8 and 9 were especially satisfactory in their weight and measurement. All persons showing defects in weight were given information as how to correct them.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES

OUTSIDE OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

One Year.....\$2.00
Six Months.....1.25
Three Months......75

IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

One Year.....\$1.50
Six Months......80
Three Months......50

(Payable in Advance)

G. H. Corn, former Sheriff, announces this week as a candidate for Sheriff. Mr. Corn served two terms and made a good officer. He is well known over the county and needs no recommendation from us. He will appreciate your support and vote.

We call attention to the announcements of Ed Lambert for City Marshal. Ed has lived in Baird nearly all his life, and most all know him. He will do his best to make a faithful and efficient officer should he be honored with the office, and will appreciate the support and votes of the city.

W. J. Evans announces for reelection to the office of Tax Assessor which he has held only one term and possibly may not have any opponent. Mr. Evans has made good; we judge so mainly because we have never heard of any complaint and that, to our mind is, good evidence that he has served the people well.

Sheriff C. E. Bray announces for reelection and from all we can learn has made a faithful and efficient officer during his first term, and he goes before the people on his record. Mr. Bray is affable and courteous in the discharge of his duties, at least we have always found him that way; you know him and his record is before you. Give his candidacy fair and impartial consideration. That is all he asks.

Grady G. Respass announces for County Clerk this week. Grady has served the people faithfully and efficiently in his quite unassuming way and goes before the people on his record as a faithful and efficient, public servant, and we will add that he deserves a fair and impartial consideration of the voters. The office belongs to the voters to bestow it upon whom they will, but efficiency, honesty and the treatment officials give the public count. If a candidate for reelection should count on these, Grady Respass has made good.

County Judge Victor B. Gilbert announces as a candidate for reelection this week. Judge Gilbert has held the office one term and has made good. During his term of office bonds for \$300,000 have been voted to complete the Bankhead Highway with funds supplemented by the State and Federal Government. The road is being surveyed and it is hoped that contracts can be let by March 1st for the first section from the Eastland County line to Deep Creek. Judge Gilbert is expediting the business as much as possible, but matters of such great importance cannot be rushed with-

out great danger of costly errors. Surveys require time and careful consideration, and all this is being done as expeditiously as possible and Judge Gilbert is doing his part fully to expedite construction, which all want to see as early as possible.

Prof. B. C. Chrisman announces as a candidate for reelection as County Superintendent of Public Instruction. Prof. Chrisman has taken great interest in the Public Schools of our county and during his term of office we hear of more improvements and advancements in our county schools than ever before. Prof. Chrisman does not claim credit for all this of course; public opinion has gradually changed and people now are more ready to vote a special school tax to aid in supporting rural schools; but Prof. Chrisman is largely responsible for the crystallizing of public sentiment and in helping the public to act. That is the main thing, action. Talk is good, but talk alone never built a school house, a church or anything else unless some one took the lead to accomplish results after people became willing to make sacrifices for better things. Here is where Prof. Chrisman deserves credit. He worked and got the rural population to work with him.

We call attention to the report of the two Baird banks and the Putnam bank in this issue. Next week we will publish an article on the great change that has taken place in banking business in this county in the past thirty-six years. Also some other reminiscences as to how people did business on the Texas frontier 50 years ago. The article is too lengthy for this week but will revise it for next week and believe it will prove interesting. Few people believed in banks in Texas fifty years ago and only a small number patronized the only bank in the county, The First National, thirty six years ago. When we think of it the banking business especially in the county has grown wonderfully in the past 36 years as you will see from the article we expect to publish next week. The First National and First Guaranty State of Baird carry deposits of near one million dollars and the Putnam bank about \$300,000.

JUDGE VICTOR B. GILBERT ANNOUNCES.

Ever mindful and grateful to the people of Callahan County for the honor and confidence bestowed upon me when you elected me County Judge in July 1922, and in pursuance of my announced intention at that time to ask for a second term if elected the first time, I herewith submit my candidacy for reelection to the office of County Judge.

My record is before you and its examination is invited. My future will be a continuation of my past policy, viz: To reduce the burden of expenses in every way possible and the next administration will show the fruits of my efforts, if I am reelected.

Always desirous of conserving to the people a safe, economical and business administration of your affairs and soliciting your favorable consideration at this time, I beg to remain
Cordially yours,
Victor B. Gilbert.

TO THE VOTERS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY.

Elsewhere in the columns of this paper designated "Political Announcements" you will find my announcement for reelection as County Superintendent of Callahan County.

To the people who have supported me in the past, I extend my sincere gratitude. I wish to thank the citizenship of Callahan County

POLITICAL CANDIDATES

The following announce themselves as candidates for the various offices printed above their names, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election, to be held Saturday, July 26, 1924:

For County Judge:
Victor B. Gilbert

For County Clerk:
Rob Cochran
Grady G. Respass

For District Clerk:
Mrs. Kate Hearn

For County Treasurer:
Mrs. Roy Jackson

For Tax Assessor:
W. J. Evans

For Sheriff:
C. E. Bray
G. H. Corn

For County Superintendent:
B. C. Chrisman

FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES

The following announce themselves as candidates for the Municipal offices in the City of Baird printed above their names. Election Saturday, April 5:

For City Marshal and Water Commissioner:
Chas. W. Conner
Ed Lambert

for their cooperation in helping to advance the cause of education in the different communities of the County. I find that the people of the County are always ready to do the right thing when the interest of their children demand it. It is a pleasure to work with and serve a citizenship of this class. If nominated and elected to this office I shall do my very best to serve you and your children, and with your continued assistance and cooperation, shall strive to my utmost to make it possible for every boy and girl in Callahan County to have the opportunity of a High School education.

With best wishes for a prosperous year, I am,

Sincerely,
B. C. Chrisman.

TO THE VOTERS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY.

Dear Friends:

In announcing my candidacy for the second term as your Sheriff, I wish to thank each of you for the splendid way in which you have stood by me in my efforts to enforce the law and make you a competent officer. I have tried to do what I promised I would do when I asked for the office, "To Enforce The Law And Give Every Man A Square Deal."

If you honor me with a second term I will faithfully discharge my duties as your officer.

Again I thank you for the many kindnesses you have shown me.

Yours to command,
C. E. Bray.

Max Bentley, special West Texas field correspondent of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and the Houston Chronicle, accompanied by his charming little daughter, Miss Alice, was in Baird Monday, securing material for one his interesting illustrated Sunday stories, which will appear simultaneously in the two papers above named. He was much impressed with the genial cordiality of the people he met.

Fresh Groceries

Fresh Groceries, Vegetables,
Fruits, Feed, Etc.

FRED L. WRISTEN

Groceries and Feed
Successor to E. M. Wristen

Children's Wool Caps

I have a nice line of Children's Wool Caps, some of them hand made, which I will close out at

50c, 75c and \$1.00

Also a few Ladies and Children's Hats which I will sell AT COST, I also make and retrim hats.

MRS. DON C. CARTER

At Mrs. J. H. Laird's, East of Market st.

The Star and Abilene Reporter One Year For \$4.50 Outside of the County \$5.00

STATEMENT

The First National Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 31, 1923

Resources

Loans and Discounts.....	\$480,501.99
Stocks and Other Securities.....	6,141.32
Other Real Estate owned.....	7,200.00
Banking House and Fixtures.....	7,815.00
U. S. Bonds, Cert. Indebtedness WSS.....	35,050.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank...	2,250.00
Interest Accrued.....	3,468.26
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	200,573.83
Due from U. S. Treasurer.....	1,250.00
	\$745,250.40

Liabilities

Capital.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Profits.....	35,748.43
Circulation.....	24,600.00
DEPOSITS.....	634,901.97
REDISCOUNTS.....	NONE
BILLS PAYABLE.....	NONE
	\$745,250.40

The above Statement is correct.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier

"More Goods For The Same Money. Better Goods For Less Money"

WILL D. BOYDSTUN

OUR CREDIT TERMS ARE 30 DAYS ONLY—
AND NO LONGER

PHONE 23.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

HOME LUMBER CO.

ALL HOME PEOPLE

We carry a full stock of Lumber, Shingles and Builder's Supplies See us before you buy anything in this line

W. M. COFFMAN, Manager

Statement of the Condition of
First Guaranty State

Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

At the Close of Business, Dec. 31, 1923

Resources

Loans and Discounts.....	\$280,744.18
Banking House	14,772.56
Other Real Estate Owned.....	2,400.00
Furniture, and Fixtures	4,924.80
Depositors Guaranty Fund.....	1,500.00
Assessment Guaranty Fund.....	405.39
Cash	76,799.67
Bills Exchange (Cotton).....	20,739.81
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	\$402,286.41

Liabilities

Capital.....	\$50,000.00
Undivided Profits (Net).....	8,156.45
Bills Payable.....	NONE
Other Borrowed Money.....	NONE
Deposits.....	344,129.96
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	\$402,286.41

The above statement is correct

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.

PERSONALS

G. W. Smith, of Admiral, is in town today.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Windham, of Oplin, were in town Tuesday.

Mrs. M. S. Greer, of Kopperal, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. M. J. Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Windham and son, Tommy, and Mrs. John Jordan, of Oplin, were in town Tuesday.

Bailey Jones of Greenville, spent a few days here this week with his uncle, V. F. Jones and family.

Be sure to learn the secret of perpetual youth at the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, tomorrow evening.

Don't fail to hear Miss Mayhew, violinist, of McMurry College, at the Methodist Church, next Sunday.

Miss Wynelle Smartt has gone to Abilene where she will attend business college.

Ernest Crawford, Grover Windham and others from the Denton country, were in town the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Baum and Mrs. W. O. Spencer from Burnt Branch, visited relatives here this week. Miss Alice Gilliland returned home with them for a few day's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Price and son, Dan, of Clarendon, returned to their home Sunday after spending the holidays with Mrs. Prices' parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jones.

Mrs. Wade Harding and little daughter, Margie, who have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, for the past ten days, returned to their home in Cross Plains Wednesday.

Read George W. Symonds's Star-Telegram Bargain Offer on the last page of The Star. This is probably your last chance to get this standard journal at a low price. Remember, this is the big political year and you want to keep posted.

L. F. Threet, of Scranton, was in town Monday. Mr. Threet says the oil business is livening up a bit in his neighborhood. A shallow test is being put down on his place and a deep test of the Clinton land adjoining him.

Fred Estes has sold his cafe at Anson and returned to Baird and is putting in a lunch room and candy kitchen first door north of the First Guaranty State Bank. He will open his place for business tomorrow, Saturday. See his ad on local page.

Mrs. Sue Davis, wife of Rev. M. R. T. Davis, a former pastor of the Methodist church here, died at Bonham, Monday. Mrs. Davis was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. Floyd for many years residents of Callahan county. Many friends here will regret to hear of her death.

Dr. A. R. Hays, of Tullia, has located in Baird for the practice of medicine and surgery, and with his wife and two little sons are occupying the Geo. Scott home in north Baird. Dr. Hays is a graduate of Tulane University and was for several years city health officer of Fort Worth. He will office with Holmes Drug Co.

Mr. W. B. Jones, who has been manager for the Jones Dry Goods since the business was established in Baird something more than a year ago, has been transferred to Hamlin where he has charge of one of the largest of the chain of thirteen stores, which the Jones Company have in Texas. We regret to have Mr. Jones leave Baird. He is a young man of splendid business ability and a most pleasant personality. He has made many warm friends during his stay here, who wish for him every success in life. He is succeeded as manager by Mr. J. D. Tidwell, of Sweetwater, whom we welcome to our little city.

New Hats For Spring

We have a nice display of new Spring Hats in all the leading colors.

Ladies' Dresses and Coats

All Ladies' Dresses, Coats and Coat Suits are now on Sale at

One-Half Price

Gingham Specials

We now have on sale a large assortment of Gingham, 25c Values at

15c Per Yard

Wool Hose

We have a complete line of Wool Hose in all colors for the whole family.

B. L. BOYDSTUN

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, FARMING MACHINERY.
BAIRD, CLYDE, CROSS PLAINS, DENTON, PUTNAM

TO THE VOTERS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY.

I wish to announce as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Callahan County, Texas, and I am asking for the support of the voters who want the law enforced in an impartial manner.

I feel that I have, with four years of experience, been able to meet the demands made upon this office by the people, by rendering them the very best service. This service was performed at a small salary, and since retiring from office, the Sheriff's fees have been increased,

and I will appreciate your vote and help in electing me to this office.

I am simply making an honest and earnest effort, solely upon my own merits, to better my position, feeling that as my claim for efficiency if based upon actual experience, I can give value received for the honor bestowed.

Faithfully yours,
G. H. Corn.

SEWING MACHINES—Now is a good time to buy a new machine for the extra rush of sewing. I sell both the ordinary and electric Singer Sewing Machines on easy terms. Also have second hand machines for sale. 43-167-p J. C. Neal, Clyde, Texas.

Fred's Place

First Door North of First Guaranty State Bank

Will Open Saturday, 12th

Hamburgers, Tamales, Chili, Sandwiches, Coffee
Candy, Tobacco and Cigars.

I solicit and will appreciate a share of your patronage.
Come in and look my place over

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BAIRD

TEXAS

DRUGS
JEWELRY
CANDIES
CIGARS
DRINKS

We are fully prepared to take care of all your needs in the Drug, Jewelery, and Confectionery Lines. We appreciate your patronage.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

RED CROSS SERVES AT INTERNATIONAL AIR MEET

Ambulances, Nurses and Physicians on Duty for First-Aid Work

That the Red Cross never overlooks an opportunity for service was evidenced in the recent International Air Meet in St. Louis when aviators from all over the world, representing both military and civic organizations, competed for world famous trophies. With a daily attendance of close to 100,000 in the way of spectators, and a literal army of flyers, mechanics, attendants, laborers and the necessary personnel of such a gigantic undertaking, there was real work to be done by the Red Cross.

A first-aid station was established on the field under the direction of one of the Field Directors of the Southwestern Division of the Red Cross, and ambulances with nurses and physicians were on duty all day. A territory of 175 acres had to be covered and ambulances had to be ready on instant call in case of an accident to the flyers, so that a real field service was maintained, with first-aid dressing station and similar activities.

The canteen was under the direction of the Women's Overseas League of St. Louis, and while the service of the

First-Aid station and its personnel was given free to the public, the canteen charged for its service and the money thus raised was used for the disabled members of the league.

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross also furnished motor cars and other transportation to bring the World War veterans from local hospitals to the field to witness the flying.

Although the percentage of accidents and other casualties was remarkably small there were enough of them to keep the Red Cross workers constantly busy for the entire week of the meet, and to gain the thanks not only of the individuals who were given attention but of the officials of the meet and the representatives of the United States and other governments taking part in the contest.

Shoot to Protect Harding Tomb.

Marion, Ohio. — Soldiers guarding the vault where the body of President Harding is entombed have been given orders to shoot directly at persons who have been causing disturbances around the tomb of the late President at night, Lieut. R. H. Harriman, in command of the soldier guard stationed at the tomb, announced. Lieut. Harriman said that ever since the guard has been stationed at the tomb certain individuals have annoyed the detachment.

BOK PLAN SEES LEAGUE ENTRY

\$100,000 PEACE PROPOSAL URGES U. S. TAKE PART IN COURT OF WORLD JUSTICE.

22,165 PROPOSALS RECEIVED

Unique Roll in League of Nations, With Reservations Suggested By Author.

New York.—Plan No. 1,469, submitted among thousands of competitors, wins the American peace award of \$100,000 offered by Edward W. Bok for the best practical plan by which the United States may cooperate with other nations, looking toward prevention of war. Mr. Bok and his jury of award has announced.

In presenting the text of the winning plan, Mr. Bok said: "With deep satisfaction I present for the consideration and vote of the American people the plan selected by the jury as entitled to the American peace award under the conditions. "The award brought forth 22,165 plans. Since many of them were the composite work of organizations, universities, etc., a single plan often represented the views of hundreds of thousands of individuals. There were also received several hundred thousands of letters which, while they did not submit plans, suggested in almost each instance a solution of the peace problem.

The peace plan in brief follows: That the United States adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice for the reasons and under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States Government should extend its present co-operation with the league and propose participation in the work of its assembly and council under the following conditions and reservations:

The United States accepts the League of Nations as an instrument of mutual counsel, but it will assume no obligation to interfere with political questions of policy or internal administration of any foreign state.

In uniting its efforts with those of other states for the preservation of peace and the promotion of the common welfare, the United States insists upon the safeguarding of the Monroe Doctrine and does not abandon its traditional attitude concerning American independence of the Old World and does not consent to submit its long established policy concerning questions regarded by it as purely American to the recommendation or decision of other powers.

The only kind of compulsion which nations can freely engage to apply to each other in the name of peace is that which arises from confidence, from moral judgment, from full publicity and from the power of public opinion.

The United States will assume no obligations under Article 10 in its present form, or under Article 16 in its present form in the covenant, or in its amended form as now proposed, unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

The United States proposes that Articles 10 and 16 be either dropped altogether or so amended and changed as to eliminate any suggestion of a general agreement to use coercion for obtaining conformity to the pledges of the covenant.

The United States will accept no responsibilities under the treaty of Versailles unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

The United States Government proposes that Article I of the covenant be construed and applied, or, if necessary, redrafted, so that admission to the league shall be assured to any self-governing state that wishes to join and that receives the favorable vote of two-thirds of the assembly.

As a condition of its participation in the work and councils of the league, the United States asks that the assembly and council consent—or obtain authority—to begin collaboration for the revision and development of international law, employing for this purpose the aid of a commission of jurists. This commission would be directed to formulate anew existing rules of the law of nations, to reconcile divergent opinions, to consider points hitherto inadequately provided for, but vital to the maintenance of international justice, and in general to define the social rights and duties of states. The recommendations of the commission would be presented from time to time, in proper form for consideration, to the assembly as to a recommending if not a law-making body.

COOLIDGE OPPOSES TAX COMPROMISE

Are Determined That a Conference Shall Be Held For the Thrashing Out of the Bonus Question

Washington.—President Coolidge is opposed to any attempts by Congress to alter the essential provisions of the administration's tax bill.

This announcement was made at the White House as the House Ways and Means Committee continued its consideration of the measure, and Republican leaders of the House redoubled their efforts to postpone action on the soldiers' bonus until something affirmative is done on tax revision.

Terse comment on the situation at the White House was to the effect that any attempt by Congress to compromise the principles embodied in the plan outlined by Secretary Mellon would meet with the President's opposition. Mr. Coolidge it was asserted, has confidence that Congress can be depended upon to refuse compromises in principles and to translate into law the will of the people.

Outstanding in the developments of the Ways and Means Committee's consideration of the draft submitted by the Treasury was the rejection of an amendment to make gains from stock dividends subject to the regular income taxes. Representative Rainey (Dem.), Illinois, proposed the amendment, which was voted down, 12 to 11. He announced later he would bring up the question again.

If the bill is not amended in this respect, gains from the sale of stock dividends after two years will be taxed only to a maximum of 12 1/2 per cent, the regular normal and surtax rates prevailing within the two-year period.

The committee pressed forward under its agreement to consider administrative features of the bill, then to determine whether a bonus bill should be passed, and finally to act on proposed changes in tax rates.

The Republican steering committee of the House, however, in discussing the legislative program, seemed inclined to postpone a showdown on the bonus, and leaders got into touch with Republican former service men who are demanding a party conference next Thursday, on the question with a view to having them alter their plans.

Representatives who have been circulating petitions for the conference, among them Representatives Johnson, South Dakota, and Fitzgerald, Ohio, said that they had more than enough names to insure the calling of a conference. The petitions, they said, had not been filed, however, and it might be decided to give the Ways and Means Committee a "reasonable" time in which to report a bonus bill. A number of Republican House members who are war veterans, they declared, are determined, however, that a conference shall be held for the thrashing out of the bonus question.

SEEKS RELEASE OF RUM SHIP MEMBERS

British Insist Law Stands Until New Treaty is Effective

London.—Great Britain has asked the United States for the release from bail of the British and Canadian members of the crew of the British schooner Tomoka, alleged rum runner seized last November beyond the three-mile limit off New York.

The request for the release of the crew is being made through Henry G. Chilton, the charge d'affaires in Washington, at the instance of the Canadian Government.

Further information also is being sought by the British Government respecting the circumstances attending the seizure of the Tomoka beyond the three-mile limit.

Investigation by the British authorities, it is stated, showed the Tomoka to be of Canadian ownership and seized well outside the three-mile limit.

While British officials here are entirely out of sympathy with liquor smuggling they feel they have no alternative but to protect the rights of British-owned vessels outside the traditional three miles radius, which they say must remain the law until the new treaty extending the limit to an hour's steaming distance from the shore becomes effective.

Oil Fields Held by Rebels
Galveston, Texas.—All of the Mexican oil fields are now in the possession of the rebels, according to an official dispatch received here by Adolfo Jimenez, from De la Huerta headquarters at Vera Cruz.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

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Physician and Surgeon
Office Over Holmes Drug Store
Baird, Texas

R. L. GRIGGS
Physician and Surgeon
Local Surgeon Texas & Pacific Ry. Co.
Calls answered day or night. Office
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Physician and Surgeon
Special Attention to diseases of
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Baird, Texas

J. EARL LANGSTON, M. D.
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Office Phone 115. Res. 127
Baird, Texas

V. E. HILL
DENTIST
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Baird, Texas



Fit by

C. E. Walker
the Optician who stays here
365 days in each year,
With Holmes Drug Co.

Posted

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

28-17 **W. M. ARMISTEAD, Mgr.**

THE HOME GUARDS
LIVERGARD and LUNGARDIA
LIVERGARD is the New Laxative we cannot improve; excels all others. When a Laxative is needed, makes laughing babies of puny ones, keeps old folks young.
LUNGARDIA has no equal for Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat; unsurpassed in removing deep Coughs of long standing. One trial convinces, Lungardia Co., Dallas, Texas.
26. For Sale by Baird Drug Co.

STOP THAT ITCHING
Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet.
For sale by
Baird Drug Company

Telephone Subscribers
Use your Telephone to save time, it will serve you many ways—in business socially or emergency. Your Telephone is for yourself, your family or your employees only. Report to the Management any dissatisfaction.
T. P. BEARDEN, Mgr

JOHNSON'S
Hamburger, Chili and Coffee Stand.
Just North of Ramsey's Garags

Land For Sale
320 acres of land, clear title, situated in south-eastern part of New Mexico.
DON C. CARTER, Baird, Texas.



Rare beauties and distinctions in lines, finish and upholstery—and the great mechanical luxury of an engine that *actually improves with use!* The wonderful Willys-Knight sleeve-valve engine is the same type of engine used in the finest cars of Europe. See the Willys-Knight—go for a good ride!

Mitchell Motor Co.

WILLYS KNIGHT

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the FIRST GUARANTY STATE BANK AT BAIRD, STATE OF TEXAS

at the close of business on the 31st day of Dec., 1923, published in The Baird Star, a newspaper printed and Published at Baird, State of Texas, on the 11th day of Jan., 1924.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal and collateral.....	\$290,677.52
Loans, real estate.....	19,455.90
Overdrafts.....	10,611.05
Bonds and Stocks.....	.....
Real Estate (banking house).....	14,772.56
Other Real Estate.....	2,400.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	4,924.80
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand.....	76,739.67
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	1,500.00
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	405.29
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange.....	20,739.81
Other Resources.....	.....
TOTAL.....	\$402,286.41

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	.....
Undivided Profits, net.....	8,156.45
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net.....	45,688.31
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	257,139.50
Savings Deposits.....	.....
Time Certificates of Deposit.....	30,530.65
Demand Certificates of Deposit.....	.....
Cashier's Checks.....	771.50
Bills Payable and Rediscounts.....	.....
Certificates of Deposit, issued for money deposit.....	.....
Bonds Deposited.....	.....
Other Liabilities.....	.....
TOTAL.....	\$402,286.41

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN. We, E. L. Finley as president; and T. E. Powell as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. L. FINLEY, President.
T. E. POWELL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Jan., A. D. 1924.

L. L. BLACKBURN,

CORRECT-ATTEST: [Seal] Notary Public, Callahan County, Texas.

MARTIN BARNHILL
P. G. HATCHETT
H. W. ROSS
Directors.

TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By **ELMO SCOTT WATSON**

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"THE SUDDEN CHANGE OF '36"

IT WAS in December, 1836. For days the weather had been mild, but the early settlers in the Mississippi valley shook their heads doubtfully. "It's a weather-breeder," they said ominously. "It was like this in December, 1830, the winter of the deep snow. Look out for a change!"

Then the change came. First a light snow fell, then it turned to rain and the ground became ankle-deep in slush. Suddenly a cold wind began blowing from the west. Almost instantly the temperature dropped from 40 degrees above zero to 20 below, a change of 60 degrees in a little more than that many seconds.

The whole face of the country was changed from water to ice and in some places the strong wind blew the water in a series of ripples which froze, making a stretch of ridges on the ice. In one settlement a group of boys, going home from school, came to a pond about fifty yards wide. The larger boys started to wade across and reached the opposite side only with difficulty for the water was freezing ahead of them. One little fellow held back for a few minutes and by the time he had started the ice was thick enough to support his weight the whole distance.

The "sudden change" wrought terrible havoc over a wide stretch of country. Deer, elk and other wild animals perished in their tracks. The settlers' live stock seemed to be driven crazy by the sudden cold. Chickens curled up on their roosts and fell to the ground, frozen solid. Thousands of horses, cattle and hogs died before they could be brought into shelter.

A young boy who was riding home from a neighbor's cabin was thrown from his horse, which ran away. His boots were filled with water and by the time he had reached home, only a short distance away, both boots were frozen fast to his feet. One man, riding across the prairie, realized that he would not be able to reach the nearest settlement alive if he tried to push on. So he dismounted, killed his horse, dismembered it and crawled inside the warm body to escape the frigid wind. Weeks later passersby found his frozen body inside its icy tomb.

Later investigations of the "sudden change" showed that the icy blast had struck the Mississippi river settlements about ten o'clock in the morning. By three o'clock that afternoon it had reached central Illinois and by eleven o'clock Indianapolis was in its grip.

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FRESH VEGETABLES IN SEASON

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No. 3286
Report of the Condition of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BAIRD, TEXAS

In The State of Texas, at the Close of Business, Dec. 31, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts.....	\$471,602.56	.....
Total Loans.....	.....	\$471,602.56
Overdrafts, secured, \$5,347.82 unsecured \$3,551.61.....	.....	8,899.43
U. S. Government Securities owned:	.....	.....
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value).....	\$25,000.00	.....
All other United States Government Securities.....	11,050.00	.....
Total.....	.....	36,050.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.....	.....	8,591.32
Value of Banking house 3,500.00; Furniture and Fixtures, 4,315.00.....	.....	7,815.00
Real estate owned other than banking house.....	.....	7,300.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	.....	40,943.02
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks.....	.....	137,436.48
Amount due from State Banks and Bankers, etc.....	.....	799.19
Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank.....	.....	1,473.11
Total of items.....	\$159,767.69	.....
Checks and drafts on banks (including Federal Reserve Bank) located outside of city or town of reporting banking bank.....	27.64	.....
Miscellaneous cash items.....	729.68	737.12
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....	.....	1,250.00
Total.....	\$741,782.14	\$741,782.14

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$50,000.00	.....
Surplus fund.....	.....	25,000.00
Undivided profits.....	7,280.17	.....
Reserve for.....	.....	.....
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid.....	7,280.17	.....
Circulating notes outstanding.....	.....	24,600.00
Amount due to National Banks.....	.....	.....
Net amounts due to State banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in items 25 or 26).....	90,520.81	.....
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding.....	4,712.30	.....
Total of items.....	\$65,234.01	.....
Demand deposits subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	.....	.....
Individual deposits subject to check.....	515,842.61	.....
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed).....	3,517.88	.....
State, County or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank.....	25,749.12	.....
Dividends unpaid.....	2,112.50	.....
Total demand deposits.....	\$547,232.09	.....
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed).....	12,445.87	.....
Total time deposits subject to reserve.....	12,445.87	.....
Other United States deposits, including deposits of U. S. disbursing officers.....	.....	.....
Letters of Credit and Traveler's Checks sold for cash and outstanding.....	10,000.00	.....
Total.....	\$741,782.14	\$741,782.14

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, SS: I, W. S. Hinds, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Jan. 1924.

B. L. Russell, Notary Public

CORRECT-Attest:

ACE HICKMAN
W. A. HINDS
J. F. DYER
Directors

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the **FARMERS STATE BANK** at Putnam State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of Dec. 1923, published in **The Baird Star**, a newspaper published at Baird, State of Texas, on the 11th day of Jan., 1924.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$143,256.10
Loans, real estate.....	3,655.00
Overdrafts.....	None
Bonds and Stocks, Liberty Bonds.....	3,097.66
Real Estate (banking house).....	5,000.00
Other Real Estate.....	None
Furniture and Fixtures.....	2,700.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand.....	111,662.29
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	3,028.11
Assessment Depositor's Guarantee Fund.....	4,000.00
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange.....	1,562.01
Other Resources—Commercial Papers.....	\$70,000.00
Total.....	\$347,301.17

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	9,459.68
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net.....	.....
Individual Deposit subject to check.....	292,841.49
Bills Payable.....	None
Certificates of Deposits issued for money borrowed.....	None
Total.....	\$347,301.17

STATE OF TEXAS: We, J. A. Clements as Vice President, and R. L. Clinton as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. A. CLEMENTS, Vice-President
R. L. CLINTON, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this, 29th day of Sept. A. D. 1923.

Pierce Shackelford,
Notary Public, Callahan County, Texas

CORRECT ATTEST:

S. W. Jobe
Y. A. Orr
C. T. Hutchison
Directors

Notice of Annual Account in Guardian ship

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 each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return hereof:

Notice.

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the welfare of Ernestine Otelia Cundiff, a Minor, E. P. Cundiff, Guardian of the person and estate of said Minor, has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, an annual account of said guardianship for the year ending on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1923, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1924, at the Court House of said County in Baird, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of such Minor may appear and contest such account if they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1923.

[Seal] Grady G. Respass,
Clerk County Court,
Callahan County, Texas.

Greeting delegates to the thirty-eighth anniversary congress of the Salvation Army, President Coolidge declared in a talk from the South Portico of the White House that the success of the army had demonstrated the folly of those who believe "that men and women are all wrong."

Proposal for the new naval base at Alameda, Cal., are regarded by President Coolidge as likely to involve unwarranted expenditures in view of the defensive power of the present base at Mare Island, and also is likely to violate the spirit of the naval defense reduction policy embarked upon at the arms conference.

The navy has a pronounced shortage of petty officers. On September 30 there were 5,753 fewer than the establishment requires, but confidence now is felt by the navy department that the steady loss which has been going on from month to month will be checked. During September there was a net gain of 450 petty officers.

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FURNITURE FOR SALE—All my household furniture for sale.
5-2t Mrs. L. W. Green.

FOR SALE—Lot 4, Block 72, 60 foot front, 150 feet deep, located between Clements and Hughes in N. E. Baird.
-4tp See M. F. Blount, at Depot

FURNISHED APARTMENTS—I have a furnished apartment for rent.
5-2t Mrs. E. M. Wristen

FOR SALE OR RENT—My residence in Baird.
5-2t F. E. Alvord,
Portales, New Mexico

BARGAIN TYPEWRITERS—\$3.00 Down, balance like rent
Abilene Typewriter Exchange,
5-5tp Royal and Corona Agents

FORT WORTH RECORD is reduced to 55c per month. Subscribe now.
5-2t John Collier Alexander.

HOUSE TO RENT—A Six room House on same block with Baptist Church. See
2-tf S. E. Webb,
Baird, Route 1.

MULE LOST—Strayed or stolen; black Mare Mule, 3 years old, heavy built, about 15-1-2 hands high left fore-foot little larger than others, because has scar on outside of hoof; no brand. Finder notify W. C. Ray, Coleman, Route 3. Phone 5600, Reward of Twenty-five Dollars. 52-5tp

SEWING MACHINES—Now is a good time to buy a new machine for the extra rush of sewing. I sell both the ordinary and electric Singer Sewing Machines on easy terms. Also have second hand machines for sale.
43-165-p J. C. Neal, Clyde, Texas.

Father of 31 Wins Leniency
Yonkers, N. Y.—Because he has been the father of thirty-one children Anthony Gagliardi, 58, was acquitted in Children's Court of violating the compulsory education law. It was charged he kept his daughter, Isabel, 14 years old, from school. Gagliardi said the girl was kept at home occasionally to help her mother care for the nine other small children. Only a few days ago a daughter, Gloria, was born. Twenty-two of the Gagliardi family have died.

Opening Display of Spring Hats On Saturday, Jan. 19th

I will have on display a new line of Spring Hats at reasonable prices.

Elite Millinery Shoppe

Mrs. M. D. Oliphant

WORLD'S GREATEST BANKING SYSTEM

By CRAIG B. HAZLEWOOD

President Association of Reserve City Bankers

Conceived in the spirit of common good, for the best interests of government, banks and public alike, based on broad and correct principles relating to the nation's currency and credit, the Federal Reserve System represents the greatest piece of economic legislation enacted by an American Congress.

The System's record of achievement through a world war, an inflation period of dizzy heights, and months of serious and costly liquidation. It is a matter of the greatest importance that very earnest and patriotic thought be given to the two questions: How far has the system succeeded, and in what particulars has it failed, to give our country a strong and as useful a financial system as human mind can devise?

The hope and expectation of those who framed the Federal Reserve Act that the machinery set-up for the origination, distribution and automatic retirement of currency issue, which should be entirely responsive to the needs of trade and the varying conditions of business, have been wonderfully well realized. Every possible effort must be exerted to preserve the Federal Reserve System from political influence and to keep its powerful influence entirely devoted to the building up of the greatest banking system in the world.

The first bank of the United States was established in 1791 and failed to obtain a renewal of its charter in 1811, the opponents charging that the bank was a "money trust" controlled by foreigners, a tool in the hands of the federalists, and that the act chartering the bank was unconstitutional. Note the use of the words "money trust." We have the idea that this is a modern term. The suspicions which animate the demagogue today have not changed in a century.

The second bank of the United States was chartered in 1816 and failed to obtain a renewal of its charter in 1831, the reasons being a widespread belief that the bank was unconstitutional, the hostility of the states, the opposition of the state banks, the love of democracy, and the envy and hatred which the poor always feel toward the rich.

Both banks functioned well and accomplished much for the country during crucial times. The downfall of both was caused simply and solely by attempts to place the determination of banking policies in the hands of political authorities.

The delicate handling of currency and credit, to the high end that the interests of all may be served, with special privilege to none, cannot be left to others than those who are competent through proven judgment and experience. The danger of political influence in the Federal Reserve System is a real one; upon us is placed the heavy responsibility of forever keeping the great system clean.

KANSANS ESTABLISH CORRECT WEIGHT RECORD

More than 1,500 men, women and children had been weighed and measured for health at the Red Cross booth at the Washington County fair held at Metteville, Arkansas. Best records for proper weight for age and height were found between the ages of 20 and 25 and astonishingly few were found to be over or under weight.

Washington County people made a remarkable showing in the matter of weight as indicated by weight and measurement, according to experts who have looked over the records, especially satisfactory in their weight and measurement. All persons having defects in weight were given information as how to correct them.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

REWARD—for return of one 6-5-8 swab, lost on Putnam-Cisco road Jan. 7th. Return to J. N. Williams, 6-1t Putnam, Texas.

FOR SALE—Sweet potatoes, \$1.00 per bushel. See E. F. Rutledge first house south of Davidson place, 3 mi west of Baird, on Baird and Clyde road. 6-2tp.

WANTED—Men or women to take orders for genuine, guaranteed Hosiery for men, women and children; eliminates darning. Salary, \$75 a week, full time; \$1.50 an hour spare time. Cottons, heathers, silks. International Stocking Mills, 6-10t-p Norristown, Pa.

GUARANTEED USED AUTO PARTS—Parts for over fifty makes and models of cars. Every part guaranteed to please. Buy your parts from us and have something left to buy gasoline. Whole motors in good condition for power plants. Mail orders promptly filled. Cisco Auto Wrecking Co. 6-1t 300 W. 2nd St. Cisco.

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Hamburger, Chili and Coffee
Stand.**
Just North of Ramsey's Garage

Land For Sale
320 acres of land, clear title, situated in south-eastern part of New Mexico.
DON C. CARTER, Baird, Texas.

Star-Telegram BARGAINS

I have been authorized by the Proprietors of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram to offer the following subscription bargains during the month of January to those whose subscriptions expire during this month, or to those who desire to become readers of this great paper during the coming year.

From the date your subscription is received in Ft. Worth until December 31, 1924

**Daily and Sunday
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You will not receive the same number of papers as those who subscribed during the Bargain Days of 1923, but you will get the SAME RATE that they received for the FULL YEAR, for this PORTION OF THE FULL YEAR. All subscriptions under this offer will expire

DECEMBER 31, 1924

See me in person or notify me at the office of The Baird Star.

Geo. W. Symonds
Authorized Subscription Agent
and News Correspondent
Baird, Texas.

TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By **ELMO SCOTT WATSON**

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THE MAN WHO WOULD BE KING OF FRANCE

A MONG the Iroquois Indians he was Chief Onwarehllaki, a Mohawk and son of a chief; but the white man knew him as the Rev. Eleazer Williams, a descendant of Eunice Williams, the famous white captive of Deerfield, Mass., a missionary to the Indians and a scout and spy for the United States army during the War of 1812.

After the war Williams returned to his missionary labors, but became involved in a scandal connected with the removal of the Oneida tribe from New York to Wisconsin, where he had planned to establish an Indian empire with himself as its supreme head. There was a charge of embezzlement and Williams was cast off by the missionary societies that had been supporting him, and in 1832 he was repudiated by the Oneidas whose trust he had betrayed. With his dream of ruling a native commonwealth broken, Williams dropped out of sight for a few years. Then he reappeared in an even more amazing role, that of Louis XVII, the Lost Dauphin of France, who was supposed to have been killed in the Tower of the Temple in Paris during the Reign of Terror.

In 1841 the Prince de Joinville, son of King Louis Philippe, arrived in New York and immediately departed upon a secret mission in the West. According to Williams' story, De Joinville, convinced of Williams' right to the title of king of France, came to him at his home in Green Bay, Wis., and asked him to renounce his claim, which Williams refused to do. There is authoritative evidence that the prince did make inquiries about this frontier soldier of fortune while stopping at Mackinac, Mich., but for an interview between the two men we have only Williams' word, and Eleazer's reputation for truthfulness was not the highest.

This "discovery" of the Lost Prince in the wilds of the Wisconsin frontier caused a furore in both America and Europe for awhile. Williams is said to have visited France to try to establish his claim, but the Bourbons would have none of him. Finally he returned to this country and died in poverty and neglect at Hogsburg, N. Y., August 28, 1853.

EXTRA SPECIAL SATURDAY AND MONDAY

For these two days only we are going to put on sale a large assortment in good patterns, all fast colors in

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Notice of Annual Account in Guardianship

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 each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

NOTICE

The State of Texas,

To all persons interested in the welfare Edward Thomas Minor, Mrs. Ada West Guardian of the person and Estate of said Minor has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, an Annual Account of guardianship for the year ending on the 27th day of December A. D. 1923, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in February A. D. 1924, the same being the 3rd day of February A. D. 1924, at the Court House of said County in Baird at which time all persons interested in the welfare of such Minor may appear and contest such account if they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird this 27th day of December A. D. 1923.

Seal Grady G. Respass, Clerk,
County Court, Callahan County, Texas. 6-4t

Notice of Annual Account in Guardianship

The State of Texas

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

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Notice

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the welfare of Loy Clarence Odell, Floyd Alva Odell and Robert Lee Odell, Minors, Mrs. Victoria Odell, Guardian of the Persons and Estate of said Minors, has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, an annual account of said guardianship for the year ending on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1923, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in Feb., A. D. 1924, the same being the 3d day of Feb., A. D. 1924, at the Court House of said County, in Baird, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of such Minors may appear and contest such account if they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird this 27th day of December, A. D. 1923.

Seal Grady G. Respass,
Clerk County Court,
Callahan County, Texas. 6-4t

"NOTHING MATTERS BUT YOU!"

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