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#### PREACHING AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Star is requested to announce that Elder O. L. Philips, of Eastland, will preach at the Church of Christ, tomorrow (Saturday) night and Sunday.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

#### THANKING WOODMEN CIRCLE

We wish to sincerely thank the members of the Woodmen Circle and all of our other friends who were so kind and thoughtful for our comfort, after our misfortune in having our home destroyed by fire. All of the many kindly acts were deeply appreciated and will ever be remembered by us.

C. C. Davis and Wife

#### SEVENTEEN LAID OFF BY T. & P.

The Texas & Pacific Railway officials are making drastic retrenchment all along the line. Effective last Monday, fourteen men were dropped from the rolls at the roundhouse here, as follows:

Four car repairers and one helper; one boiler maker and one helper; one machinist and one helper; one boiler washer; one cellar packer; three laborers; three clerks.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. Gilmore Smith, of Albany, will preach at the Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at night. Everybody invited to attend.

#### CALLAHAN PEOPLE IN ABILENE

The Taylor County Times of April 14, contains these two items concerning the doings of Callahan county people in Abilene last week:

Justice of the Peace P. B. Ford tied the nuptial knot that bound together as man and wife A. C. Carson and Miss Emmalouise Jones, of Baird at 7:30 last Saturday night, at the home of the marrying justice in College Heights.

Tupper Daniel was over from the Isham Harris ranch, in Callahan county on business and visiting his brothers, Will and Major Daniel and sister, Mrs. P. M. McKinney.

#### VOUCHED FOR BY MIKE SIGAL

As will be seen by an announcement elsewhere in The Star, Ralph C. Nicol's Comedians will be here next week, and nightly will present new plays and nifty, appealing vaudeville entr'actes, in their big water-proof theatre, on the lot west of the courthouse.

The "Comedians" are a company of talented ladies and gentlemen, and Movie Manager Mike Sigal, who has known some of these thespian artists for years, declares that in every way, Mr. Nicol's associates are all to the good, morally, mentally and artistically, and this being true, they should play to crowded houses during their engagement.

The admission is only 15 and 35 cents, war tax included, and all ladies accompanied by one 35c paying companion, will be admitted free of charge.

#### LEAGUE GUESTS OF BEN SIGALS

The Baird Epworth Leaguers are already beginning to have good times, even though the organization is only three weeks old.

Last Friday night a goodly number of them foregathered under the hospitable roof of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sigal and spent the evening hours in innocent games and laughter provoking stunts. There were no pickers, and man or maid became orator or singer at the request of the company. All were delighted with the ability their friends displayed in extemporaneous performances.

In a Shakespearian romance contest, Ross Dawkins was winner. Miss Cook proved the most dexterous in getting the head on the string. Miss Lucy Fay Atwood won the medal in another contest. The medals were awarded these three winners, after which they contested for the championship in a grinning match.

In the apt words of Mr. Benjie Russell, spokesman for the judges, Miss Cook's grin was the broadest and most pleasing, so to her was given the championship medal, a cardboard circle, to distinguish it from the other medals, which were square.

When Miss Hope and Mr. Lidia attempted to feed each other crackers with spoons, the entire company was convulsed with laughter, for these two young people were blind folded, and all the crackers they ate wouldn't have kept an army going anyway.

Delicious cake and ice cream were served by the hostess, assisted by

Mrs. Russell and several young ladies of the League. The refreshments were the more delectable, as each plate bore a sprig of fern and a beautiful rose bud as a favor.

After more singing and speeches they bade their hostess, Miss Carnahan and Mrs. Russell good night, all declaring that they had had a delightful time—and they had to.

W. M. P.

#### CLYDE LEAGUERS GUESTS OF BAIRD

Seventy-five young people were assembled in the Methodist church Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock, when the Senior Epworth League from Clyde visited the League of Baird. The visitors gave the program. Mr. Moore, the president of the Clyde League led the service.

The subject for the evening was "The Christian at Play." The scriptures read and the remarks made by the speaker were well chosen. Mrs. Gott, the superintendent of social life, gave an able discussion of the subject, and Miss Clemmer read an article on the menace of commercialized play. These were both helpful.

In bringing out the value of the League to the church Mr. Moore said, in part, that the League was, and similar organizations in other churches will organize, when the church leaders recognized that to meet the demands of the times and to keep the church always active, the young people must be held and trained. The League is the training station of the Methodist church. Ninety-eight per cent of the volunteers for special work in home and

foreign missions, in pulpit or deaconess work and other fields, come from the ranks of the Leaguers.

The League needs to care for the development of the spiritual, mental, physical and social life of the young people. It is as natural an instinct for young people to seek social recreation as self preservation is. If this social life is not directed and provided for in the best way, the young life will seek and find it elsewhere. The League endeavors to meet their needs.

Many other good things were said. Those who did not hear Mr. Moore missed a rare treat, for such it is to hear a young man speak so earnestly and understandingly of these big problems in the name of the League.

Miss Marie Dawkins thanked the Clyde League for their splendid program, and announced that Miss Bonnie Cutbirth would lead the service for next Sunday.

The Leaguers expect to order supplies for propping up and directing their work in a businesslike way, and intend to make the League a force for improvement and development in Baird.

Come out to the service next Sunday at 6:30 p. m. You will be welcome.

Willie M. Floyd.

The Edison Re-Creation Recital given at the School Auditorium, under the auspices of the Alexander Music Shop, Wednesday night, was an artistic triumph. A critique of this unexampled musicale will appear in The Star next week.

## STORM DEALS DEATH AND DESTRUCTION

TEN PERSONS KILLED AND SEVENTY-FIVE INJURED AT MELISSA.

The following telegram has been sent out by J. E. Gibson, Melissa, chairman of the storm relief committee.

"Nearly one hundred homes blown away. Most of the families destitute. About seventy-five people hurt, many of them seriously. Ten already dead. All churches and business houses destroyed or wrecked. Estimated property loss \$500,000. Sympathetic relief in cash, wearing apparel, bed clothing and tents will be appreciated."

McKinney Texas—Ten persons were killed, five others were probably fatally injured and approximately 75 persons were more or less seriously injured when a cyclone struck the village of Melissa, six miles north of here Wednesday afternoon at about 2:30 o'clock.

The storm swept down on Melissa from the southwest having originated at Franklin, about six miles away, and having destroyed farm-houses at Roland and at Chamberville between Franklin and Melissa. From the point where it struck Melissa until the western edge of the town was reached, every building was completely demolished except one store, the hotel, the school building and the bank and railroad station.

A list of the dead follows: Delice Sanchez, 7-year-old Mexican boy; Three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Loftis; Florence Thomas, negro; Lou Hawkins, negro; Adaline Hawkins, negro; Henry Morgan Cook, negro; Lem Hawkins, negro; Lizzie Perry, negro; Annie Mae Clayton, negro. Those injured and taken to McKinney include: W. L. Speed, Denison, conductor Houston & Texas Central railway, head gashed, lacerated wounds on body; M. C. Hanson brakeman H. & T. C. railway, Dallas, lacerated scalp wound, cut on eye and back injured; B. J. Hanson, Dallas, brakeman H. & T. C. railway, lacerated wound on head, shoulder and hip injured; G. W. Young, Melissa farmer, shoulder broken, elbow shattered; Mrs. P. F. Loftis, Melissa, abrasion of head, shoulder injured. Her baby was killed in cyclone.

The following negroes, residents of Melissa were injured: W. B. Brown, Harriet Wilson, Corinne Hawkins, Derriell Tolton, Scott Thomas, Elmore Thornton Bessie Hawkins, Lola Grace Lyday, Johnnie Ibez Clayton, Felix Hawkins, Charley Perry, Jimmie Ruth Clayton W. F. Hawkins, Alberta Hawkins and Peter Clayton.

The injured were taken to McKinney and placed in hospitals there.

In the rubbish of many of the buildings fires started to complete the work of the wind. The storm itself was followed by a heavy hailstorm and then by a downpour of rain, and all of the electric wires of the town had been swept out so that there were no lights except those from the fires and from lanterns and electric torches of relief workers.

Concerted action by the city government, the Dallas Chamber of Commerce and the Dallas Chapter of the Red Cross provided prompt relief for the 100 families made destitute by the cyclone which swept the village of Melissa Wednesday afternoon. Medical aid, which was dispatched to the scene as soon as communication could be established with the town Wednesday night, was followed by shipments of tents, blankets and provisions.

## LIAISON BETWEEN BRITISH LABOR UNIONS BROKEN

London.—Faced by the greatest industrial crisis in the history of the country, Lloyd George has apparently succeeded in smashing the liaison between the miners' federation and the railway men and transport workers, has averted the threatened strike of the triple alliance and has placed the miners in a position from which it will be difficult to withdraw gracefully.

The triple alliance has withdrawn its support from the miners on the grounds that the striking federation was wrong in refusing to reopen negotiations, and has therefore left the miners to their own resources—either to prosecute the present strike or to give in to the growing demands for conciliation.

Lloyd George's tactics during the last hectic twenty-four hours were characterized by his usual strategy. In effect the premier has succeeded in doing what he usually does in a crisis—play one side against the other. The action of the triple alliance is proof of his success.

### Corsicana Mayfest April 29-30

Corsicana, Texas.—The dates for the Corsicana Automobile Show and Mayfest have been announced as April 29 and 30.

## RAIL ORDER IS TAKEN UP BY BROTHERHOODS

ARRANGE PLANS FOR HEARINGS WITH OFFICIALS OF VARIOUS ROADS

## NO TIME IS TO BE LOST

Results of Negotiations on All Lines Must Be in Hands of Board by July 1

Chicago, Ill.—Between 300 and 400 general chairmen of the American Federation of Labor railroad department met here Sunday to perfect an organization for conferences that are to follow with railroad officials on new working rules.

At the same time heads of the big brotherhoods met to plan their defense to the plans the carriers are to offer before the railroad labor board for reduction of wages. These brotherhoods, the trainmen, engineers, conductors and firemen, are a party to the wage hearing, and, with their entry into the struggle before the board all the great rail unions are to be represented when officials for the New York Central opens the hearings.

While 26 railroads are asking the board for permission to reduce wages, the board probably will take up the case of the New York Central first, and, it is said, establish a precedent in this case to be followed largely in the rest of the applications.

Railroad officials Sunday declared that the prompt action of the A. F. of L. department organizations—the shop and maintenance unions—in meeting here to perfect organization for carrying out the decision of the board last week calling for conferences between individual carriers and their own employes—argued for prompt settlement of the working rules dispute.

B. M. Jewell, president of the A. F. of L. railroad department, said that as the board had ordered the unions and railroads to hold their conferences as soon as possible, and to report their results by July 1, the utmost speed was necessary.

## HUGHES DENIES U. S. PLANS SOVIET PACT

Gives Gompers "Facts" on Russia and Denies Peace Pledges

Washington.—Secretary Hughes, writing to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who asked for a statement of "the facts" regarding Russia, indicated definitely that there is no prospect of a resumption of relations with the United States while the soviet political and economic system remains.

The letter of the secretary of state makes direct reports to various statements, which contend that resumption of relations, trade or political, with the soviets, would open a great current of trade advantage to the United States and that large shipments of Russian gold have already been made to other countries in payment for goods.

Soviet Russia, Secretary Hughes declares "is a gigantic economic vacuum," and he adds that "no evidence exists that the unfortunate situation is likely to be alleviated so long as the present political and economic system continues."

### To Deprive Rebels of Munitions.

Washington.—Prohibition against the shipment of arms and munitions to any country where they might be used for revolutionary purposes has been asked of congress by the state department. Specifically, the department requests an amendment to the act of 1912, which prohibits such shipments to American countries. The senate foreign relations committee considered the department's request, designed primarily to stop munitions shipments to China.

### State Health Board Named

Austin, Texas.—The governor has renounced the appointment of the state board of health as follows: Doctors M. F. B'edsoe, Port Arthur; M. P. Smart, Manor; Dickson G. Thompson, Waxabachie; Thomas S. Fisher, Dallas; M. M. Brown, Mexia; Mrs. Nettie Klein, Texarkana. These six, together with Dr. Manton M. Carrick, constitute the state board of health. Dr. Kline is the first woman to serve on the Texas board of health.

### One Killed and Two Injured

Dallas.—Captain Patrick Calligan of engine company No. 1, unmarried, about 30 years old, was instantly killed when two fire engines collided at Bryan and Harwood streets Saturday at 4:30 p. m. Captain W. L. Erwin of engine company No. 1 suffered a probable fracture of the hip and fireman Emmett Russell of the same company, suffered painful bruises of the neck and wrist at the same time. Captain Calligan was killed instantly.

# ASK SOME ONE

# WHO WAS THERE!



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### ALL LOST SIGHT IN THE WAR

Members of Evergreen Post, No. 5,  
American Legion, Eulogized by  
National Commander.

The spirit of the American Legion  
does not lag in the members of Ever-  
green post, No. 5, in spite of the  
fact that all of its members are  
men who lost their sight during  
the World war.

When F. W. Galbraith, Jr., national commander,  
heard of the formation of the  
post recently, he immediately wrote  
a letter to Charles Frear, post commander.  
Mr. Galbraith intends to visit  
the post in the near future.

The national commander's letter, in  
part, follows:

"I am touched beyond expression  
that these comrades of ours have seen  
it to associate themselves together in  
affiliation with the great American  
Legion for the purpose of realizing  
more fully those ideals for which they  
sought. It is an inspiration to know  
that, scoured and maligned to an extent  
which would lead many to feel  
that to them there would be no further  
obligation to give to the world,  
but rather to live and receive, they  
still feel a desire to give something  
further of service to their country and  
community. This is indeed true nobility."

### LEGION OFFICER IN MEXICO

Commander of Department Also Member  
of National Executive Committee of the Legion.

Although Leigh H. Rovzar, commander  
of the department of Mexico of the  
American Legion was president of a large  
brokerage firm in Mexico City, Mex-  
ico, at the start of the World war,  
he enlisted in the army early in the  
game.

Mr. Rovzar commanded a battery of  
field artillery as first lieutenant  
and upon promotion to a captaincy,  
served in the Thirty-third field artil-  
lery, remaining with that organiza-  
tion during its service overseas. He  
was discharged from service at the  
Walter Reed hospital in Washington,  
D. C., June 10, 1919, and returned to  
his home in Mexico City.

An organizer of Alan Seeger post of  
the Legion at Mexico City, Mr. Rov-  
zar was named as its first commander.  
He was recently elected commander  
of his department and a member of  
the national executive committee of  
the Legion.



## Five Minute Chats on Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

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### CLEVELAND CAME BACK

1893—March 4, Grover Cleve-  
land inaugurated a second  
time, aged fifty-five.  
May, a great panic began.  
July 1, Cleveland went  
under surgical operation  
for cancer.

Oct. 30, The Silver act re-  
pealed.

1894—July 4, Cleveland sent  
troops to Chicago to inter-  
vene in railroad strike.  
Aug. 27, the Wilson-Gor-  
man tariff became law  
without president's signa-  
ture.

1895—Feb. 7, Cleveland made  
arrangement with J. P.  
Morgan and others for  
protection of gold reserve.  
Dec. 17, sent in his Ven-  
ezuela message.

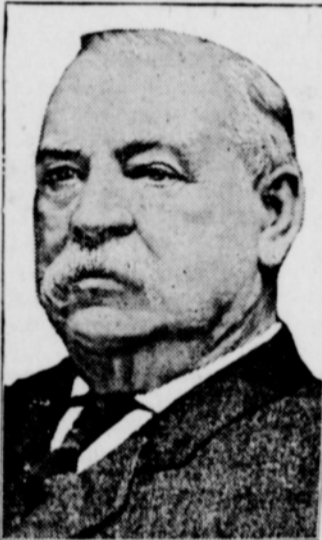
1908—June 24, Cleveland died  
at Princeton, N. J.,  
aged seventy-one.

GROVER CLEVELAND had no  
more than left the presidency in  
defeat and settled down to the prac-  
tice of law in New York City than it  
was seen that he was still almost as  
much the leader of the Democratic  
party as when he was in the White  
House.

In the four years of his retirement,  
he seldom saw party leaders. Yet so  
strong was the reaction against the  
Republicans and so loud the call for  
him in 1892 that he returned in tri-  
umph to the White House.

One of the periodical panics of the  
19th century smote the country with a  
financial and industrial paralysis in  
1893, only two months after the in-  
auguration. As usual, the party in  
power caught the blame, and day after  
day a leading Republican newspaper  
shouted in gleeful headlines: "Another  
bank gone Democratic!"

As the first means of restoring con-  
fidence, Cleveland called a special ses-



Grover Cleveland.

sion of congress for the purpose of  
having it repeal the Silver act of the  
Harrison administration. The next day  
he submitted himself to the surgeon's  
knife for the removal of a cancerous  
ulcer which had appeared in the roof  
of his mouth. His grave physical con-  
dition was concealed from the panicky  
mind of the public, and the operation  
was performed in the closest secrecy  
aboard a yacht as it steamed slowly up  
the East River, off New York. Not un-  
til many years had passed was it  
known that when congress assembled  
he faced it with a rubber jaw.

Under the pressure of the president,  
the Silver act was repealed, but only  
after a bitter struggle which left the  
Democratic party hopelessly split. The  
passage of a tariff bill divided the party  
still more. It was such a lobby-  
made, log-rolling measure that Cleve-  
land refused to sign it, but let it be-  
come law without his signature. After  
that the Democrats went down in de-  
feat in the congressional elections of  
1894.

In the depth of our domestic  
troubles the president sent his famous  
Venezuelan message to congress. In  
it he announced that the British gov-  
ernment had rejected all our appeals  
for the arbitration of a land dispute  
which it was pressing in South Amer-  
ica, and he boldly proposed that we  
ourselves should decide the question  
and then proceed to enforce our de-  
cision.

Stocks tumbled headlong in Lon-  
don and New York, and there was  
much wild talk on both sides of the  
Atlantic. But the president confidently  
reassured his troubled private secre-  
tary, "Thurber, this does not mean

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| 2076  | Wailana Waltz . (Hawaiian Players)                        | Frank Ferera and Anthony Franchini        |
| 85c   | Dreamy Hawaii . (Hawaiian Players)                        | Frank Ferera and Anthony Franchini        |
| 2084  | Sweet Mamma (Papa's Getting Mad) . Tenor                  | Al Bernard with Carl Fenton's Orchestra   |
| 85c   | Strut, Miss Lizzie . Tenor                                | Al Bernard with Carl Fenton's Orchestra   |
| 2085  | Rebecca (Came Back From Mecca) . Tenor                    | Billy Jones                               |
| 85c   | I Like It . Tenor and Baritone                            | Billy Jones and Ernest Hare               |
| 2087  | Mammy's Little Sunny Honey Boy . Duet                     | Irene Audrey and Sam Ash                  |
| 85c   | Love in Lilac Time . Baritone                             | Ernest Hare                               |
| 2089  | Scandinavia . . . . . Harmonizers Male Quartet            |   |
| 85c   | In the Heart of Dear Old Italy . Harmonizers Male Quartet |   |
| 2082  | Kitten on the Keys . Pianoforte Solo                      | Zez Confrey                               |
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with the silver people.

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partment of Auxiliary.

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who commanded the Twenty-sixth di-  
vision through its training period in  
the States, in quiet defensive  
sectors and in its later participa-  
tion in almost every major offen-  
sive of the war, is the idol of  
thousands of New England members  
of the American Legion and other  
former service men.

Mrs. Clarence R. Edwards, his wife,  
is now placed in a similar position by  
the mothers, wives, sisters and daugh-  
ters of these veterans, for Mrs. Ed-  
wards was elected president of the  
Massachusetts department of the  
women's auxiliary of the American  
Legion at a recent state convention  
of that organization.

The newly elected president is a  
resident of Newton, Mass. She has  
been active in work for the benefit of  
New England members of the Ameri-  
can Legion and other former service  
men.



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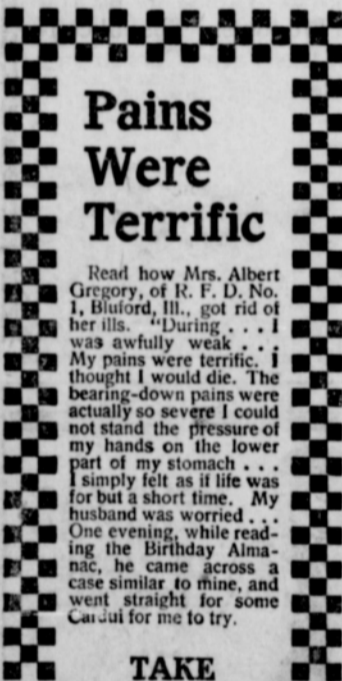


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thought I would die. The  
bearing-down pains were  
actually so severe I could  
not stand the pressure of  
my hands on the lower  
part of my stomach . . .  
I simply felt as if life was  
for but a short time. My  
husband was worried . . .  
One evening, while read-  
ing the Birthday Almana-  
c, he came across a  
case similar to mine, and  
went straight for some  
Cardui for me to try.

TAKE

## CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

"I took it faithfully and  
the results were immedi-  
ate," adds Mrs. Gregory.  
"I continued to get bet-  
ter, all my ills left me,  
and I went through . . .  
with no further trouble.  
My baby was fat and  
strong, and myself—thank  
God—am once more hale  
and hearty, can walk  
miles, do my work,  
though 44 years old, feel  
like a new person. All I  
owe to Cardui." For  
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Colonel W. A. Bowen, one of the oldest newspaper men in Texas, died at his home in Arlington. Colonel Bowen was well and favorably known all over Texas and had a host of friends to mourn his death. May his soul find rest and peace beyond this life.

Did you save your hay while the sun of prosperity was shining, as The Star, in season and out of season, urged you to do? If so, you are not worrying over the present or the future outlook. The Romans held to the maxim that the gods helped those who helped themselves. Self reliance, thrift, common sense and industry routs poverty and banishes fear of the poorhouse.

Divide Texas? Why? To make more cost to a tax ridden people, that a few men may hold office. That is about all there is to this howl about dividing Texas. Divide Texas into four or five states, then only those towns that secured the capitol and other state institutions would be satisfied. All West Texas demands is justice. We think the Legislature will redistrict the state. It cannot afford to delay longer.

Why should congress waste time and money investigating the escape of Grover Bergdoll? Why not go after Bergdoll, the draft dodging scoundrel, himself? This nation can find a way to get this notorious slacker if they want to. But some are more intent on discrediting some one in office under the Wilson administration than getting the slacker. Punish those guilty for his escape, but don't forget the slacker himself.

Our allies in Europe proceeded to divide up the spoils of war while Uncle Sam had his back turned last year. England took all of the German possessions below the equator and Japan all north of the equator in the Pacific ocean. Japan refuses to even consider surrendering any part of the spoils unfairly awarded during the absence of the American commissioners last year. The farther we get away from the peace conference the plainer it becomes that the American people acted wisely in repudiating the League of Nations.

The grab game practiced by England, France, Japan and Italy showed that the world is actuated by the age-old theory that "to the victor belongs the spoils." Italy and Japan entered the war purely for selfish interest. Japan grabbed Germany's land she stole from China, while England divided the German islands with Japan after the war. France, so far, is the only one of the three nations that recognizes the fact that the United States had any rights that any one was bound to respect.

Congratulations to the Abilene Reporter on moving into its new fire proof building and installation of a new fast press. The Reporter was always a good newspaper, but the new press and new equipment makes it better than ever. We love to see such evidence of prosperity among "the craft". To show how times have changed, the new press just installed by The Reporter is a more complete and faster press than the first press installed by the Dallas News in 1885. That was considered a wonderful press then, though Dallas had a considerably larger population than Abilene has now.

If The Reporter and Abilene grow as fast in the next thirty-six years as The News and Dallas have grown in the past thirty-six years, Abilene will have a population of 125,000, and The Reporter will have a circulation of not less than 80,000. Here is hoping that both will exceed our estimate.

We met the enemy Saturday and we are hisen by several majority. All right, boys. Some day Callahan may have good roads, but we fear it will be some day far in the future; but a majority say they do not want any more road building now and a majority have a right to rule. That is democratic and we have no kick coming. All we ask now is that the voters of Road District No. 1 vote bonds sufficient to complete the Bankhead Highway.

We should have completed this highway before asking for a county-wide election. We felt that way about it all the time, but others thought different. If we will go ahead and complete this highway and the people can see the difference between good roads and bad roads, we will have no trouble in securing a favorable vote to build roads all over the county.

Unfortunately, the uncompleted condition of the Bankhead Highway was used as a cudgel to throttle the county-wide bonds and, together with the road muddle in the Cross Plains District, defeated the bonds.

It is now up to the people of this road district to vote bonds and complete the Bankhead Highway, or we will lose practically all the money spent in grading the road. We must have an estimate of the cost required to complete the road and by some reliable engineer and not some one who does not know beans about building roads.

The report was circulated during the campaign that half the money if the bonds carried would be spent on the Bankhead Highway. While Road District No. 1 would have had to pay at least one half the cost of the bonds, perhaps, less than one quarter of the total issue would have been spent in this district to complete the Bankhead Highway and build roads out of Baird, Clyde and Putnam to connect with the county road system; but that is all past, and it is up to us now to finish our own roads.

OPPOSED TO DIVIDING TEXAS

All this talk about dividing Texas is nothing but froth and foam, if we are permitted to offer an off-hand guess.

The editor of The Baird Star was born and raised in what was then called Middle Texas (Washington county). since 1870 we have lived in West Texas, and think we know something about the west and West Texas sentiment.

To start with, we did not support Pat Neff in the primary and do not regret it; in fact, we are glad of it.

We think he gave West Texas a raw deal when he vetoed the West Texas A. & M. College bill.

The lame excuse his friends make for him, that he promised the people economy and is only carrying

STAR DUST

SIFTED INTO JINGLES BY THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

Twisting

On Saturday the wind was fierce, it blew like all possessed; It rattled windows, twisted trees, and grass to ground down pressed.

Chilling

My young friend Jones, as dinner guest, his blue eyes all a-gleam, Quick scanned the menu card and cried: "Two helpings of ice cream!"

Prowling

My little wren, from fear of cat, has given up her nest; And chosen home, where she'll be safe, from cruel feline pest.

Crying

The farmers all, in Callahan, are crying loud for rain; If we don't have a shower soon, 'twill ruin season's grain.

Swimming

Vacation time will soon be here, and all our little boys, Will haste to nearby lakes and creeks, to 'dodge in swimming joys.

Winning

Ex-service men and blue-clad gobs, should join Bell A. L. Post; Because, united, you'll become, a justice-winning host.  
The Man About Town.

out his promise in cutting out appropriations, only proves his inconsistency. Why did he single out the fifty thousand dollar appropriation to purchase a site for the college and at the same time approve an appropriation for one million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars to purchase more land for the State University? The excuse don't hold water, but this is no reason why Texas should be divided.

And all this talk of division of Texas is political bunk.

We notice that all this hullabaloo about dividing the state comes from towns that expected to get the West Texas A. & M. College. People outside of these towns are not excited about the question. They are not specially concerned, but just call an election to divide Texas and you will find that West Texas people will defeat the measure. That is our individual opinion.

We have no desire to help a few towns and politicians by voting to divide Texas, and we shall fight such a proposition with all the power and influence we can use.

We are of and for West Texas, but not to the extent of voting to divide the State, because some governor vetoes a bill we favored.

We are for Texas, one and indivisible for time and eternity.

Division would be a curse to West Texas, not a blessing. That is the way we view it, and that is where we shall stand, let what come that may.

TREASURER AHEAD OF THE HOUNDS

County Treasurer Walter C. Martin is, according to County Auditor John S. Oglesby, of Dallas, "ahead of the hounds" financially to the tune of \$16,63. In other words the auditor found to the credit of Callahan county's treasurer that amount more than he ought to have had, which is puzzling, but less nerve-distracting than having that much on the debit side of the ledger.

Auditor Oglesby went expertly and searchingly through the financial accounts of County Clerk Bessers, District Clerk Williams, Tax Assessor Conner, Tax Collector Ramsey, County Treasurer Martin, County Attorney Green and Justice of the Peace Floyd last week, and gave them all a clean bill of health. He finished his work Saturday.

NEGRO LOCKED IN A FREIGHT CAR

A coal black negro, who gave his name as Albert Jones and his home Abilene, was taken out of a locked T. & F. freight car, Sunday morning by Officer W. J. Cook, and locked up in jail as a vag. He was turned loose Tuesday morning, and went on his way rejoicing.

He had found himself nearly broke in Fort Worth last week, was keen to get home, and had secreted himself in the car, which was partly loaded with groceries, consigned to parties in Sweetwater.

He confessed to having helped himself to crackers and candy to satisfy a hunger that was ravenous and lapped up molasses to quench his burning thirst, which only made it worse. He suffered horribly from cold, and was glad of the warmth, good clove and abundance of pure, cool drinking water which were his while Sheriff Corn's enforced guest. Officer Cook went to Sweetwater and conferred with the parties whose groceries Albert had purloined, but when told of the poor coon's suffer-

ings they declined to prosecute him for the theft.

DO YOU PAY YOUR BILLS?

The Retail Merchants Association of Baird is now making up the credit rating of each individual person. If you owe p past due account, go pay it or arrange a satisfactory extension of time, so the records will entitle you to a good rating, and protect your credit. Practically every business of any kind in Baird is a member of this association and knows the credit rating of each person of the town and surrounding country, as established by the person in his dealings at the various places.

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### ROAD BONDS DEFEATED

We have been unable to get complete returns on the county road bond election held last Saturday; but enough is known that the bonds were badly defeated, some claim by two-thirds majority. The Commissioners' Court will meet today to count the vote. We regret the defeat of the bonds, but it is only what we expected.

## PERSONALS

Henry Estes, of Duncan, Okla., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes, this week.

J. B. Cutbirth, Miss Bonnie Cutbirth, Mrs. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lambert spent Monday in Abilene.

Mrs. J. R. Price and sons, Tom-Tod and Jones, visited her daughter Mrs. Wade Hardin, at Oplin, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Straley and children and Miss Bonnie Belle Linsacum, of Oplin, were in town Monday.

Mrs. J. D. White, of Van Horn, is visiting Mrs. Wm. Hanley this week.

Misses Mabel Earl Farmer and Jimmie Beebe visited Mrs. Roy M. Smith at Stamford the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Chas. Redwine, of Sweetwater, visited Mrs. Lee Estes the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Will Cutbirth returned the first of the week from Abilene, where she spent several days with Mrs. Russell Hart, who is slowly recovering from a long illness.

Mrs. A. Mayo left Wednesday morning for market to buy her stock of mid-summer millinery. She has a special sale on Spring hats at greatly reduced prices. See her ad on last page.

County Clerk Grady G. Respass was busy first of the week recording 29 oil leases released by Andrew Urban.

At the T. & P. Ball Park, last Saturday afternoon, the local team, in a snappy game, was defeated by Albany, 4 to 1. There was a good attendance.

"Sunday School Day" will be observed at the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 o'clock, an appropriate program having been arranged for that occasion.

The Lord Chief Justice of the Baird High Court of Kangaroo, is holding solemn sessions these nights at the courthouse, and the sentences His Lordship imposes are something fierce.

Mrs. C. C. Coffee, of Shreveport, Louisiana, arrived in Baird Wednesday, and will be the same time guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Stanley.

Miss Sallie Cowen, of Asheville, North Carolina, is visiting her brother, V. H. Cowen and family. Miss Cowen lived with her brother, in Baird, several years ago and is no stranger to many of the young folks.

Ex-Lieutenant Cale Hall has most certainly made "things of artistic beauty and joy forever" out of the display windows of the Mayfield & Hall Toggery. They would be a credit to the swellest artistry shop on Fifth Avenue.

M. J. McKlin and wife, of Springfield, Oregon, are visiting Mrs. McKlin's sister in Baird, Mrs. T. R. Price. Mrs. M. A. Howard, of Roseland, Texas, Mrs. Price's mother, is also a guest of the T. R. Prices. Some of these relatives have not met for fifteen years.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls April 15, 1920, a daughter.

Yesterday was San Jacinto Day, and the bank and postal employes had a partial holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes visited friends in Ranger Sunday.

Mrs. Earl Bell was called to Ranger Tuesday by the serious illness of her niece.

Mrs. J. S. Burnham, of Putoam, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. N. L. Bailey.

Mrs. P. T. Redding has returned from Abilene, where she was called last week to the bedside of her father, who died last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Garner, of Memphis, Tenn. spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mahan. Mrs. Garner is a cousin of Mrs. Mahan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Alexander will entertain the Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School at 7:30 this Friday evening. No excuse except the infirmity of age, or sickness will excuse you saith the teacher. Come.

Roy Windham, of Tecumseh, was in town yesterday, trying to get some trace of some lost horses. His team, a red sorrell and a blue gray, mares, got out a few days ago and he has found no trace of them. See his ad in this issue.

Howard Farmer returned Saturday from a three months' trip to Arizona and New Mexico. He spent a week fishing at Roosevelt Dam and a week camping in the mountains. He was with his uncle, Bud Farmer.

County Superintendent B. C. Chrisman requests The Star to announce that beginning on Friday and Saturday, June 3d and 4th, and continuing thereafter every first Friday and Saturday in the months of July, August and September and including Saturday, October 1st, at the Baird school building, he will hold examinations for those wishing to secure teachers' certificates.

The Male Glee Club of Abilene Christian College, consisting of 25 members, will appear tonight in the School Auditorium, and the school kiddies, who have been selling tickets for the performance, which The Star assures its readers will be a rare musical treat, are much interested in securing a "full house," for the Baird school will receive 40 per cent of the profits. The admission is only 35c and 25c, and you'll get more than the worth of your money.

Seventeen men were let out at Baird by the T. & P. Monday, most of them skilled laborers. The reduction in employees extends from New Orleans to El Paso on the T. & P. It was reported that only shops where construction was going on would be effected, but that did not work at Baird. This order effected 800 employees at Marshall; 200 at Fort Worth and 250 at Big Spring. How the T. & P. can keep up its equipment with such a reduction in force is what no one knows.

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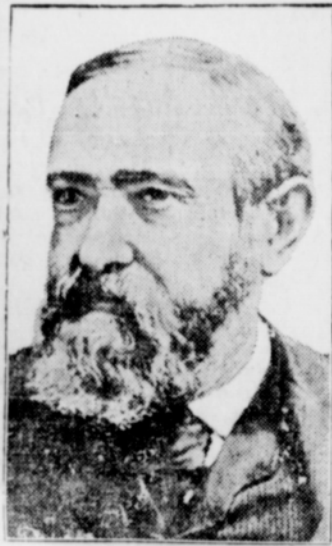
## Five Minute Chats on Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

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### THE SECOND HARRISON

- 1833—August 20, Benjamin Harrison, born at North Bend, Ohio.
- 1852—Graduated from Miami college, Ohio.
- 1861-65—Colonel and brevetted brigadier general in the Civil war.
- 1881-7—In the United States senate.
- 1888—Elected president.
- 1889—March 4, inaugurated the twenty-third president, at the age of fifty-five.
- 1892—Defeated for re-election.
- 1901—March 13, death of Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, aged sixty-seven.



Benjamin Harrison.

BENJAMIN HARRISON'S administration proved to be only an intermission between the two acts of the Cleveland drama. History gives but a passing glance at the one president whose predecessor became his successor, who had to give up the presidential chair to the man he took it from.

Although Harrison had more brains than Cleveland, Cleveland had a larger nature, and that is what counts most in the leadership of men.

Notwithstanding Benjamin Harrison was the grandson of a president, in whose house he was born, his father was poor and the boy was brought up plainly.

Graduating from a small Ohio college, Harrison married at twenty the girl to whom he engaged himself at eighteen, and they went to housekeeping in a little three-room cottage in Indianapolis. He was not admitted to the bar until after his marriage, and the first money he ever made was as a court crier at \$2.50 a day. Later on he helped out his lean practice with his salary as clerk of the supreme court of the state. Then came the Civil war, in which he served gallantly as a colonel and marched with Sherman to the sea. Afterward he rose to a high and prosperous rank in the practice of law.

The only political office Harrison ever held before his election to the presidency was a seat in the senate. Defeated for re-election to that body in the year before he was elected president, he left Washington with no thought that he would soon return as president-elect, and he frankly described himself as "a dead duck."

The only candidate that the rank and file of the Republicans wanted to nominate in 1888 was Blaine. But he was not well, and he refused to make a contest for the nomination. At last he cabled from Scotland: "Take Harrison." And the convention indifferently took him.

The more notable events of the Harrison administration—the McKinley tariff act; the silver act, which more than doubled the purchase of that

metal by the treasury; the Sherman law on the subject of trusts; the dependent pension act, and the first Pan-American congress—hardly belong in this little story, because none of them originated with the president himself. He did not rise to leadership, and congress took the reins. All the while he sat in the White House in cold aloofness.

With the cry of "God help the surplus!" the Republicans gave the country in Harrison's administration the first "billion-dollar congress," the appropriations for the two-year term rising to that unprecedented total. To the popular protest Speaker Reed retorted: "This is a billion-dollar country." But the country did not feel rich enough to pay the higher tariff rates of the McKinley act.

That law was passed only seven weeks before the congressional elections in 1890. Of course anyone who had anything to sell seized upon the excuse to mark up prices. The "shopping women" rose in their fury at the higher cost of living, and the voters overwhelmed the Republican majority in the house.

That was the forerunner of a still greater political overturn in the presidential election in 1892, when Harrison went down under a sweeping victory for Cleveland.

**Lets Good Road Contract**  
Georgetown, Texas.—Contract for construction of the 11 miles of public road from Georgetown through Round Rock to the Travis county line, was awarded Saturday.

**Wilson Will Practice Law**  
Albany, N. Y.—Former President Woodrow Wilson was given the right to practice law in the state of New York by a measure enacted during the closing hours of the legislature Friday.

**Large Peach Crop Promised.**  
Mount Pleasant, Texas.—Farmers with orchards are very optimistic about the prospects for peaches this summer. The trees are loaded almost to the breaking point.

## NORTHEAST TEXAS IS SWEEPED BY TORNADO

REPORT INDICATES LOSS OF 75 LIVES. HUNDREDS ARE INJURED.

Dallas.—A tornado that swept northeastern Texas and southwestern Arkansas Friday afternoon and night took heavy toll of life and caused enormous property damage. Wire communication still badly crippled and only meager reports are available from the storm-swept rural communities where most of the damage and loss of life resulted.

Reports received indicate a loss of 75 lives in Gregg, Cass and Bowie counties in Texas and in Miller and Hempstead counties in Arkansas. The list of injured will include several hundred many of whom are badly hurt, some perhaps fatally.

The storm apparently originated in Smith or Gregg county, as the first trace of it is reported in a rural community near Mineola, where it caused considerable property damage and injured two persons. The storm moved in a northeasterly direction, and in its path in turn were Avinger, Linden, the O'Farrell community, just west of Atlanta; communities in Bowie county, southwest of Texarkana, and rural communities in Miller and Hempstead counties in Arkansas.

## PUBLISHERS HAVE VERY INTERESTING MEETING

Dallas.—Problems peculiar to the newsprint situation and other matters of vital importance to publishers were discussed at length by 40 members of the Texas Press League, who gathered at Dallas Friday in the regular monthly meeting of the organization. Representatives from all over north Texas were in attendance, and the meeting was divided into morning and afternoon sessions.

The morning session brought forward the discussion of "Railroads: Free Publicity and Propaganda," led by C. E. Palmer of the Texarkana Four States Press, and Harry T. Warner of the Paris News. "Trade Proposals for Advertising—Should They Be Accepted?" conducted by M. B. Hanks, Abilene Reporter and Houston Harte, San Angelo Standard; "Why the Eight-Hour Law is a Necessity in the Printing and Publishing Business," conducted by R. C. Dyer of Dallas, and D. W. Campbell, Hillsboro Mirror, and "Labor Conditions in Texas Publishing Business," conducted by G. J. Palmer, Texas Publishers' Association, and E. K. Williams of the Temple Telegram.

The afternoon session opened with a discussion of co-operative paper buying, led by Sam P. Harben of the Texas Press Association Paper Bureau, and Jess L. Johnson of Dallas. "Have Increased Postal Rates Resulted in the Increased Efficiency of Handling Second-Class Mail?" was discussed by W. S. Spotts of the Bonham Favorite and H. F. Mayes of the Brownwood Bulletin, while "The Railway Mail Service," was discussed by S. M. Gains of Fort Worth. "The Proposed Texas Daily Select List," was discussed by Keating Ransome of the Cleburne Enterprise and N. A. House of the American Press Association.

The meeting closed with informal discussion of all the problems of the publisher. The next meeting will be held at McAllen, June 9, 10 and 11, simultaneously with the meeting of the Texas Press Association.

## BANKER'S SHOOTING BAGS FIVE BANDITS

Chicago.—S. B. Witowski, cashier of the State Bank of Cicero, a suburb, shot up and defeated a gang of six automobile bandits Friday. He killed one robber, wounded two and caused the capture of two. Only the driver of the robbers' car, who remained outside the bank, escaped.

The six men drove up to the bank at 9:45 o'clock. Five of them entered with drawn revolvers.

The leader approached the cage occupied by Witowski and ordered him to the rear of the bank. The other bandits compelled ten other persons who were in the bank including C. C. Stoffel, vice president, to follow Witowski. The bandits then opened the vault and forced their captives into it.

While two of the bandits stood guard, the other three scooped \$40,000 from the cashier's cage into a black bag. As they turned to escape, Witowski pushed the door of the vault ajar and fired through the aperture.

**Katy Reduces Number of Employees.**  
Denison, Texas.—The order reducing the personnel of the M., K. & T. locomotive force at Denison cut off 292 machinists, boiler-makers, helpers and apprentices.

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**Tax On German Imports.**  
Paris.—The chamber of deputies has adopted the bill providing for a 50 per cent tax on Germany imports as a penalty on Germany because of nonfulfillment of her reparations obligations.

**Panhandle Editors in Session.**  
Amarillo, Texas.—The fourteenth annual session of the Panhandle Press association convened here Friday with a representative attendance.

**Firing Squad Ends 2 Mexicans' Lives.**  
Mexico City.—Victor Lazcano and Heriberto Salgado met death before a firing squad early Friday morning, ten hours after their arrest for alleged complicity in a plot against the lives of prominent persons in Mexico City and Puebla, according to El Nacional.

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4. The right of the federal board for vocational education to give all disabled men in training such medical care and treatment as is necessary to keep them at their courses.

5. That all disabled men in training shall receive \$100 a month from the government while in training and those with dependents \$120 a month, instead of different sums based upon the cost of living in different localities as now provided.

A special plea was made by John Thomas Taylor of the national legislative committee of the Legion for vocational training for the widows and orphans of the American dead of the World war. He said that undoubtedly the 50,000 American children whose fathers slept in Flanders fields were entitled to the same educational advantages that they would have had, were their fathers alive and able to provide for them. The widows of the men who died in France, he added, were likewise entitled, the bread-winning member of the family having been killed in defense of the country, to be taught some kind of work of trade.

#### EDITOR WAS ON FIRING LINE

Commander of Missouri Department of Legion One of Many Newspaper Men Who Heard Call.

John Francis Williams, commander of the Missouri department of the Legion, is one of thousands of newspaper men who left their typewriters when the war broke out. Enlisting as a private in the Missouri National Guard, Mr. Williams rose to the rank of first lieutenant.

In the A. E. F., he served as a machine gun officer with the Thirty-fifth division in the Vosges mountains and in the Argonne-Meuse drive. After the armistice, he served as instructor in the A. E. F. university at Beaune and later assisted in publicity in connection with the interallied games.

Mr. Williams, who is a member of Robert S. Thurman post 13, Joplin, Mo., served as post commander and state master-at-arms previously to his election as department head. He is editor of the Joplin News Herald.

#### Dickerson Slated For Postmaster.

Paris, Texas.—Postmaster Hubbard of Paris mailed his resignation to the postmaster general March 29. Information has been received that Capt. J. J. Dickerson, former postmaster, was appointed to fill the vacancy, effective May 1.

#### CHOOSE AIR MAN COMMANDER

Former Balloon Pilot, Lawyer, Heads Nebraska Department of the American Legion.

Nebraska members of the American Legion have elected Robert G. Simmons, a former balloon pilot, as department commander. Mr. Simmons is now an attorney in Scottsbluff, Neb.

The former pilot entered the air service October 28, 1917, and was licensed as a spherical balloon pilot by the Aero Club of America in February, 1918, and commissioned as a second lieutenant in the air service in March, 1918. For some time he was an instructor in courts-martial and then was in command of the Sixty-third, Eighty-third and Seventy-fourth balloon companies at Fort Omaha. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in June, 1918.

Mr. Simmons is a graduate of the law college of the University of Nebraska. He served for one term as county attorney.

#### GOOD SHOWING IN SERVICE

Commander of Nevada Department of the Legion Rose From Private to First Lieutenant.

T. L. Withers, commander of the Nevada department of the American Legion, rose from the rank of private in the National Guard to that of first lieutenant during his military career, which was spent in various organizations of the Coast Artillery corps.

Educated at Thatcher Preparatory school, Nordhoff, Cal., the Universities of Nevada, California and Virginia, Mr. Withers acted as instructor in mathematics and chemistry for some time and then entered the practice of law at Reno, Nev. He served as chairman of the Red Cross Roll Call in 1917 and chairman of the home service section, American Red Cross, Reno, Nev., and was active in organizing the Nevada department of the American Legion.

To Finish the Job. Psmear—Pretty good, don't you think? I made it for a cover design. Kritik—Now, if you could only design a cover for the picture.

#### CONGRESS IS URGED TO ACT

Five Provisions Requested in Aid of Disabled Veterans, Amending Vocational Training Law.

Amendment of the law under which disabled veterans of the World war are given vocational training, so as to provide five things demanded by the last convention of the American Legion at Cleveland was urged in congress by Legion representatives.

The five provisions requested by the Legion are:

1. Vocational training for American citizens who served with the allied armies, who were disabled and who are not entitled to training under the present law.

2. Training with pay for all disabled veterans with 10 per cent or more disability, instead of training

#### MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL



#### That Should Be in the First Lesson



# OH BOY!

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Next MONDAY Rain Or Shine

ABILENE  
Business College  
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#### ORGANIZATION IS HIS TASK

Spokane (Wash.) Man Will Supervise Work of Enrolling Every Former Service Buddy.

Edward H. Prell of Spokane, Wash., was recently appointed director of the organization division at national headquarters of the American Legion. He succeeds Russell G. Creviston, who is now assistant national adjutant.

Mr. Prell served overseas with the One Hundred and Forty-sixth field artillery and participated in two major offensives of the World war. After his discharge from the army, Mr. Prell was active in the early organization of the Legion in his state. The supervision and direction of the Legion's 1921 campaign to enroll every eligible former service man in its ranks will be in the hands of the new director.

#### RAISED BIG CHRISTMAS FUND

Adjutant of Illinois Department of Legion Had Aid of Actress in Raising Christmas Money.

When William Q. Setliffe, adjutant of the Illinois department of the American Legion, started the Legion campaign which raised \$50,000 for Christmas entertainments for sick and disabled veterans in Illinois hospitals, he called upon Miss Floe Bert, a well-known actress, to assist in making

the undertaking a success. Miss Bert gave a large number of entertainments in Illinois cities, the proceeds of which were applied to the Legion's fund.

# CLEARANCE SALE ON SPRING HATS

\$ 7.50 Hats for \$3.95  
10.00 Hats for 4.95  
16.50 Hats for 9.95

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## Blacksmith and Repair Shop

We invite our customers and friends to come in and inspect our shop. We are better prepared to do any and all kinds of repair work than ever before. We have a new line of tools, also an Acetylene Welding Plant in connection with our Blacksmith Shop that enables us to weld any kind of metal, Brass, Bronze, Copper, Aluminum, Cast Iron or Steel. We also have a Carbon Burner with which we can take the carbon out of your car in a very few minutes at a very low cost. Make your car Hit Right. Come and try us.

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### CALLAHAN MIGHT WELL IMITATE ECTOR IN HIGHWAY BUILDING

In the matter of good and economical road construction Callahan county might well borrow and profit from the experiences of Ector county, through which that great government thoroughfare, the Bankhead Highway, running from the National Capital to Los Angeles, California, passes.

Ector is a small county, numerically speaking. Its total population is but a trifle over seven hundred. It contains but few farms. Its citizens—outside of the county seat, Odessa, where are five stores, four garages, a lumber yard, a small cement tile factory, a bank and a weekly newspaper—are mostly cowmen, who were very hard hit just before we declared war against Germany, by a drought that lasted for twenty-five weary months, during which time not a drop of rain fell on the sun-baked pastures and the grass shriveled up and turned to impalpable dust.

In the western end of Ector county begins the Monahans Sands, a dreary stretch of shifting sandy desert, continuing on into Ward county, which was a hardly overcome obstacle in the building of the Texas and Pacific Railway. There was no vehicular road through this desert, and a trip across it, even on horseback, was a wearisome undertaking, requiring a good horse and an experienced and courageous rider into Ward county, whose citizens, before the oil boom struck that section, were largely interested in irrigated farming. A corner of Crane county, which is unorganized, has a population of about thirty souls and is attached to Ector county for judicial purposes, jugs into the line of the Bankhead Highway for the fraction of a mile.

In accordance with the law Ector had four cardinal "roads" so-called, leading from the courthouse, but were little better than trails running through the big ranch pastures. They were passable to wagons and horsemen, but automobiles bumped over them much to the former's physical detriment.

The people, however, had become used to this sort of travel, and never thought of bettering them. Then came the Bankhead Highway project and skilled engineers and good roads apostles held frequent educational meetings at Odessa, the county seat of Ector, and these meetings were generally well attended. Not-

withstanding the assurance of the engineers that a travelable road could be built through the Monahans Sands a big majority of the Ectorites were Doubting Thomases.

"It just can't be done," croaked the old timers. "No road can be built through the Sands and, if we do build one, it'll cost thousands every year to keep it up. Then Ward county is loaded down to the hub with irrigation bonds and they'll never go deeper in debt to build their share of the road—so what's the use?"

But there were a few men in Ector who had vision, and these spread the propaganda of good roads wherever they could secure a listener and the engineers gave facts and figures that were, however, very slowly digested and less speedily assimilated. The Odessa Herald, which everybody in Ector and Crane reads, hammered for good roads week in and week out and stubbornly contended that scientific engineering could "conquer the Monahan's Sands."

Presently Ward county held a road bond election and the affirmatives were away yonder in the majority, notwithstanding that county's heavy irrigation bonds indebtedness.

The action of Ward gave the Ector good roadites courage and the result was, a good roads bond election ordered for \$100,000, issued by the Commissioners' Court. "It'll never carry!" cried a few reactionaries, but it did, with only three adverse votes. In the meantime we went into the war. The Commissioners were determined to put through the road, however. They didn't know anything about road building, so they hired an engineer who did, and he certainly earned his salary, for he was on the job every day with the contractor, and saw that the work was done strictly in accordance with specifications.

And so the Sands were conquered and there runs through the desert a smooth, compact and comfortably travelable road that is the delight of autoists, vehicular travelers and equestrians. And this supervising engineer that Ector county employed gave the Commissioners' Court some very excellent advice concerning the permanent maintenance of the highway, a very important matter that they hadn't so much as thought of and hereafter, the splendid highways that Ector will have will not

be allowed to fall into disrepair.

The county has secured from the Federal Bureau of Highways a big new army truck, at an annual rental of \$25. From the regular Road and Bridge Fund, they can employ a competent road repairer who will ride up and down the highway every workday and be quick to take that saving "stitch in time" which will keep the road always in travelable order.

And encouraged by the belief that their sector of the road through the Monahans Sands will always—thanks to the "stitch in time" program—be a good highway, they have recently, in Ector county, saddled themselves with another good roads bond issue, this time for \$230,000, and within the next six months work will be started on the twenty-five remaining miles of the Bankhead Highway running through the county.

Counties between Callahan and Ector are also waking up to the importance—financial and otherwise—of the Bankhead Highway, and Martin and Midland counties will tie up the splendid roads of Howard county with the Ector sector of the great national thoroughfare.

We in Baird don't notice the constantly increasing stream of tourist travel, which has begun to move east and west despite the bad roads, but it would be noticeable were it not for the fact that much of the travel, because of these execrable highways is diverted and goes around us, via Albany. This tourist travel goes straight through Odessa, the seat of Ector county, and four busy garages look after the needs of the autos and a modern two story hotel and cafe is being built to care for the wants of those who travel in the autos.

Along the Lincoln Highway, which is closed to travel during the winter months because of weather conditions, many towns get their chief revenue from these tourists, who motor east and west in a steady stream. The Bankhead Highway, when it is made a perfect motor road will secure a large percentage of this travel, because of the climatic advantages of this southern route.

Will the people of Callahan county permit this golden flood to go around them because of a false and short-sighted economy?

### BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS NOTES

We had in Sundar school last Sunday 215. Had a special service and offering for home and foreign missions. The Sunday school gave \$287.91 to this worthy cause.

The pastor is gone this week to see his mother at Carlton. He will come back by Fort Worth the last of the week and be here for the regular services Sunday. All are given a cordial invitation to attend our services.

Sunday school at 10 a. m., W. D. Boydston, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. Sunbeams at 3 p. m. B. Y. P. M. at 6:30 p. m., Mr. Dudley Foy, president. Our night services are at 8 p. m.

J. C. McKenzie, Pastor.

### PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONERS

The Presbyterian Woman's Missionary Society will present the following program at its meeting next Monday, April 25th:

Topic—The Negro.

"Love, justice, knowledge and religion to all, from all and in all."

Prayer for "Our Country"

Scripture—Acts 10:9-18; also 10:14, 36. Peter could not feel that the Gospel was for the Gentile until this time; some feel it is not for the Negro today. Study this portion of God's Word carefully, or Acts 17:22-27, where Paul addressed

one of the most cultivated audiences ever faced. Note verse 26.

Song.  
Reading, "Keep to the Right"—Mrs. E. C. Fulton.

Song—Laurene Alvord.

Reading, "My Ideal Leader"—Mrs. J. R. Reed.

Duett—Ruth and Charles Strain.

"A Constructive Program for Just Interracial Relations"—Miss Virgil Jones.

Song.

Current Events.

Report from Presbyterian—Mrs. Willie Flores Barnhill.

Mrs. A. Horn, of Fort Worth, is here looking after her business interests.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATE—Five Cents per Line Each Insertion. Figure six average words to the line in fixing cost. Minimum charge 25 cents.

SHOATS LOST—Two small Shoats. Reward, if you notify  
21-1t Sam Kerr.

B. V. D. VALUES—Men's B. V. D's, \$2.00 value, now \$1.00.  
N. O. Burson,  
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DRESS SHIRTS—Men's Dress Shirts, \$3.50, now \$1.50.  
N. O. Burson,  
21-1t Furnishing & Tailoring.

JERSEY COW—Jersey Milk Cow, young calf at side; also Saddle Pony.  
18-1t Phone 184.

HOSE—Men's Silk Hose, \$1.50 value, now 75c.  
N. O. Burson,  
21-1t Furnishing & Tailoring.

REFRIGERATOR—100-pound Refrigerator for sale, in good condition.  
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WORK SHIRTS—Men's blue, double-stitched Work Shirt, \$2.00 value, now \$1.00.  
N. O. Burson,  
21-1t Men's Furnishing & Tailor.

DIAMOND LOST—Diamond Cuff Button lost, Saturday, April 16th. Suitable reward for return to  
20-1t-p Otho Lidia.

SUMMER STRAW—See me before you buy your Summer Straw. I have some good values.  
N. O. Burson,  
21-1t Men's Furnishing & Tailor.

SLICED TOMATOES—A most delicious and healthful relish, fresh from the truck patch, ripe and juicy. Served on ice daily at Elite Cafe.  
21-1t F. E. Stanley, Prop.

DR. SIMMONS—Dr. Simmons will spend Tuesday, April 26th, in Baird. Practice limited to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Glasses fitted.  
21-1t Office with Dr. Griggs.

RESIDENCE FOR SALE—Leach Residence for sale. 85-foot lot and well built House, Garage and Barn. Write  
16-1t E. H. Leach,  
Baird, Texas.

ICE CREAM—The Ice Cream season is here, and you know the reliable quality served at the Elite Cafe. Try some on a piece of Elite Pie, alameda.  
21-1t F. E. Stanley, Prop.

STOP THAT ITCHING—Use the Blue Star Eczema Remedy, the guaranteed Skin Remedy for such as French Itch, Eczema, Ring Worm, Tetter and Sore Feet. Does not stain and has a pleasant odor. Sold on guarantee by  
8-12t Holmes Drug Co.

MARES STRAYED—One a red sorrel, about 15 hands high, spot in forehead, no brand. Other a blue gray, about 17 hand high, no brand; both roached mane, neither shod; both gentle to work. Any information leading to their recovery thankfully received by me. Phone "George Williams, Dudley Central," at my expense, or write me.  
Roy Windham,  
Clyde, Route 3,  
21-2t Callahan County, Texas.

# Sigal Theatre

## PROGRAM

Friday, April 22—Earle Williams in

### "DIAMONDS ADRIFT"

From the popular magazine story. Queer incidents, exciting adventures. Plenty of love interests makes production one of great merit.

William Duncan in

### "FIGHTING FATE"

Big double show only 15 and 25 cts.

Saturday—Special

### "WHILE NEW YORK SLEEPS"

See what is considered the biggest picture of the year. Watch for the big heralds, telling you of this wonderful production. You will not miss this spectacle of sensation and surprise if you would know how moves the world along. Special matinee at 3 o'clock. Continuous show until 11 o'clock. Admission only 25 and 50 Cts war tax included

Monday—Harry Caray in

### "WEST IS WEST"

"Weas Is West" today but not the old west of muahroom camps and whooping cowboys and crooked sheriffs. In the west big mining centers have developed and with them big new problems. See how Harry Carey deals with them  
15 and 25 cts.

Tuesday—Florence Hackett in

### "BROKEN HEARTS"

Also George Ovey Comedy 15 & 25

Wednesday—

### "THE BIG RODEO"

Picture of the Brownwood Rodeo. Featuring some of our own home boys and girls. Among them are the Misses Billie and Curley Seale, Fred Alvord, Hackberry Slim Johnson, Checkers Barnard and others. This picture is in 4 reels. We will also show a Metro Feature, of which title will be announced later. This is really a big double show, 9 reels in all. Show starts early. Prices announced later.

Thursday—Constance Talmage in

### "GOOD REFERENCES"

Her latest First National Special in six reels. 15 and 33 Cts.

Friday, April 29th—Corinne Griffith

### "IT ISN'T BEING DONE THIS SEASON"

Also William Duncan in

### "FIGHTING FATE"

15 & 25 Cts.

Saturday—George Walsh in

### "DYNAMITE ALLEN"

Also a Sudshine Comedy.

BIG BONE BERKSHIRES—Big Bone Berkshire Hogs for sale, 3 Brood Sows, 4 Gilts large enough to breed, 11 Pigs and a two-year-old Service Boar, all registered and as good as any in the State. Will sell all or part. We are also breeders of high class Duroc Jerseys. Address:  
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We expect to put up more cable and rebuild a number of our lines in Baird as soon as our men can return to Baird. They are now at Putnam rebuilding that plant, which was torn up by the sleet storm.

We are now paying our operators as per wage law, even though the wage law was not put in force. We find it easier to give good service when the operators are only working eight hours and receiving more pay. Please tell us if your service is not good.

T. F. Bearden,  
General Manager.