

The Baird Star.

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

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BAIRD BUGLE BLOWS BLAST

Official Organ Of The Baird High School Makes Its Appearance This Week

The Baird Bugle, a diminutive, but decidedly virile and snappy little sheet, which announces itself as "the official organ of the Baird High School," and will blow its clarion blast "every two weeks," has made its initial appearance.

For so small a sheet it has a big publicity and literary staff: John C. Alexander, president and publisher; Feldon B. Reed, vice president; Stafford E. Alexander, secretary-treasurer; John C. Alexander, Feldon B. Reed, Stafford E. Alexander, John B. Simons and Charnel L. Hart, directors.

Its reporters are John Biggs Simons, Ralph Carter Short, William Haynie Spencer and Myrtle Barton. This is certainly a hustling and talented quintette of pencil pushers, for The Bugle scintillates like a constellation of the tenth magnitude. Every line of The Bugle is as bright and sparkling as a mid-summer sun, and its sometimes biting wit has no respect even for those who fill the seats of the mighty.

The Bugle's first blast is a resonant one and good reading even for the more or less scholastically ignorant lay citizen. It is audaciously fearless, and makes even the learned and reverend members of the school faculty butts of its biting humor. It fearlessly, and with ruthless particularity, airs the more or less violent puppy loves of the boy and girl pupils of the school, and like Silas Wegg, of immortal memory, frequently "drops into poetry." Altogether it is a most brilliant little brochure of fact, fiction and fancy. Long may it blow its twice monthly blasts.

MRS. FRANK PRATT AND CHILDREN GET \$10,000.00

By an agreed judgment in the Ninety-first District Court at Eastland Monday, the Texas & Pacific Railway Company will pay Mrs. Clara Pratt and her two minor children, Louie and Frank Pratt, \$10,000, being \$5,000 for Mrs. Pratt and \$2,500 for each of the children, on account of the death of the husband and father, Frank Pratt, Senior, when the engine on which he was a fireman, was overturned in a railroad accident near Sweetwater.

The engine on which he was firing struck a horse which had become entangled, derailing the engine and causing the death of both Fireman Pratt and the Engineer, Mox Weison.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM

Time: Sunday night, December 21, 1924, at 6 o'clock p. m.
Place: Presbyterian Church.
Why? To make Christmas more revered.

Everybody—old and young—is invited to come. The Christian Endeavor Society will have a very impressive program, one that you will not forget as long as you live. It does not show preference to any denomination.

Don't miss it!

EUGENE BELL POST ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Eugene Bell Post No. 82, American Legion, elected the following officers at its regular meeting last Monday night:

Commander: J. A. Dubberly, re-elected.

Vice Commander: Fred Heyser.

Adjutant: Dudley B. Foy.

Finance Officer: Royce Gilliland.

First Vice Commander: S. Lanham Stokes.

Second Vice Commander: B. O. Brame.

Third Vice Commander: Cecil Harris.

Fourth Vice Commander: Louis Gillit.

Post Historian: Grady G. Respass.

Chaplain: Clyde Yarbrough.

Sergeant-at-Arms: James C. Asbury.

In addition to the above officials there was chosen an Executive Committee, composed of the above, with the addition of W. H. McKinzie and Perry Gilliland.

The meeting was largely attended and the proceedings were exceedingly interesting. The post's roster has been considerably fattened recently, and its members hope in time to enroll in its ranks every ex-soldier, sailor, marine and aviator in Callahan County who saw service during the World War.

Baird is in the Seventeenth Legion District and will send a large delegation to the next District Meeting, which will be held at Sweetwater, Sunday, January 11.

The Post will give a sumptuous banquet, Monday night, January 5, and all Legionaires and their families are expected to "fall in" and do full justice to the "chow."

THESE THREE BAIRD DOGS CAN LAWFULLY ROAM STREETS

Three dogs only in Baird have legal and lawful permission to gambol on the streets of the city unmuzzled: The Star's faithful guardian, "Garth," Mike Sigal's pointer play-fellow, "Ace-Hi," and Bob Norrell's little canine pet. The reason:

All three of the above mentioned canines have been given a clean bill of health by Dr. R. L. Griggs, City Health Officer, who has "shot" all of them with Mulford's Rabies Serum, as the following certificate, issued to "Garth" and the other two dogs mentioned will testify:

Certificate of Vaccination: This is to certify that I have this day vaccinated against Rabies one Setter Dog, the property of George W. Symonds, by injecting Mulford Canine Rabies Vaccine (Single Dose Treatment).

R. L. Griggs, M. D.
Baird, Texas, 12-11-'24.

CALLAHAN COUNTY COTTON REPORT

Special Census Enumerator B. L. Russell, Jr., reports 15,066 bales of cotton ginned in Callahan County prior to December 1st, 1924, as compared with 11,803 bales at the same date last year.

This is a gain of 3,263 bales over the production prior to the same date in 1923.

Ed Chambers of Fort Worth, spent several days here last week with his brother, E. B. Chambers and family.

SITTING ON TOP OF THE WORLD

Is Ranchman C. B. Snyder, Who Contemplates A Home Beautiful On His Big Ranch

One may not be compelled to take the long and perilous Thibetan journey to reach Lhasa and be able to "sit on top of the world."

The trick can be turned right here in Callahan County. At least that's what Ranchman and Prospective Oil Magnate C. B. Snyder declares, and he ought to know, for temperamentally he has arrived there and the wise guys assure us that everything in life worth the living is only a matter of temperament—and that's that!

Ranchman Snyder's terrestrial paradise is situated—so the writer believes—somewhere near the centre of "Snyder's Pasture," and the "trail" is not uncomfortable to travel, even by auto, although, en route there are a-many a gate to open and shut—particularity shut. They call it fifteen miles, more or less—probably more. The ranch buildings are picturesquely huddled together on a broad and level eminence, with acres upon acres of richly fertile and eye-appealing Callahan and Shackelford County land stretching away from its hospitable doors in all directions.

"Just now" Ranchman Snyder explained to a Star man who recently, one glorious evening, visited him in company with Messrs. Oscar and George Nitschke and Miss Josephine Cowan, "we're only camping out here. We've got lot's of room, but it has grown gradually from a very small beginning, room by room, and is sadly lacking in architectural grace and beauty. Some day—in the near future, I'll build a real country home here."

As it is, the hodge-podge of rooms is a mighty homey place, with every known urban convenience—water, electric lighting and gas heating, and lavishly provided with all those labor saving devices that make the housewife's burdens so lightly to be borne that they become a diverting pleasure.

"I have all my plans perfected for this new home," explained Mr. Snyder, "and it's going to be as near perfection as modern handicraft can make it, and it will not only be a handsome home, but a handy, homey home. You notice that they are drilling a well out in the yard there. The driller says there's gas there and I hope there is, plenty of it, for I'll need plenty to keep the new home fires burning."

Ranchman Snyder is a breeder and feeder and fatterer of white-face Herefords. He has been successful at it. But about the cortilege there cackled and crowed and hissed and cooed, and gobbled and squealed and grunted in a not unmusical chorus, all manner and condition of fowl and beast. And they grow things there—fruit and vegetables and berries and—when the new ranch home is completed and the dozen oil wells controlled by him and continually pouring out their high grade, high priced oleaginous product are multiplied ten fold, as they will be, Ranchman C. B. Snyder will sure enough be "Sitting On Top of the World!" and he'll deserve it, for he's a good fellow.

COUNTY NURSE CARTER MAKES NOTABLE REPORT

Miss Stella Carter, Callahan County's exceedingly competent Trained Nurse, makes the following detailed report of her humane activities for the months of October and November:

Number of child health conferences, 13.

Number of children attending, 261.

Number of mothers attending, 189.

Prenatal names referred to office, 19.

Number of school children examined, 1090.

Number of school children defective, 808.

Number of school children with defects corrected, 104.

Home hygiene class, 1.

Number of attendance, 23.

Number of unregistered children registered, 51.

Health centers established, 4.

Community demonstrations, 8.

Individual conferences, 209.

Local doctors assisting in work, 3.

Lay people assisting in work, 22.

Hours spent in office, 183.

Office calls received, 70.

Communities visited: Clyde, 12;

Cross Plains, 10; Putnam, 7; Oplin, 2;

Cottonwood, 4; Lone Oak, 2;

Denton, 1; Jackson, 1; Colony, 1;

Union, 1; Hubbard, 1.

Letters written, 342.

Group talks, 31.

Literature distributed, 560 pieces.

Newspaper publicity articles, 11.

Nutrition classes organized, 3.

Weights reweighed, 3 times, 209.

Weights reweighed, 4 times, 55.

Overweights reweighed, 3 times, 16.

Overweights reweighed, 4 times, 4.

Scales installed, 1.

Mothers meeting with Miss Schemayer, 12.

The undeweights and overweights who are weighing during the holidays will weigh again Tuesday, December 23, at the Court House. Remember, the class that has the largest percentage of their class out at weighing day will receive a bowl of hyacinth bulbs, and the class that shows the largest percentage of gains will hold the frame picture.

I would urge the mothers to help remind their children of this date, and the children who are interested in their case may phone or visit and remind their classmates.

In this Tuesday's weighing the Fifth Grade had the largest percentage present; also the largest percentage of gains.

Ford Driskill, John Asbury and H. C. McGowen of Baird and Tom St. John of Abilene, returned a few days ago from a hunting trip in the Big Bend country and Old Mexico. They report fine luck, killed several deer and John Asbury shot a big bear. He brought bruin's skin home and will have it made into a rug.

Night Marshal G. L. Albin thinks it would be wise economy on the part of the business men on the east side of Market Street, in the block between the Guaranty State Bank Building and the Schwartz corner, to install an electric arc light in the alley, back of Black & Price's store, so that he "can see things there on dark nights," without betraying his presence with a telltale flashlight. Good idea!

A RELIGIOUS CITY CENSUS

To Be Taken Of Bairdites Next Sunday Afternoon Under Auspices Of Pastors

The resident pastors of Baird met in their second weekly session Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, Rev. P. B. Henderlit, President, in the chair.

Plans were discussed and perfected for the taking of the Religious Census, which is to be made next Sunday afternoon.

These pastors are very anxious to have the cooperation of the people of Baird in the important work of taking this census. This the people can help much in doing by being at home next Sunday afternoon until they are canvassed by the enumerators.

These enumerators will come into your homes as your friends, not as intruders or busybodies asking embarrassing questions; they are doing this work unselfishly, for the good of the people of Baird and for the glory of God.

If the good people of Baird will kindly cooperate with the Pastor's Association in this movement, all concerned will very much appreciate it.

SHAW MOTOR COMPANY SUCCEEDS HARRY BERRY

Meet Mr. H. H. Shaw, late of Gorman, now and hereafter owner of Harry Berry's Garage.

Mr. Shaw is a most agreeable gentleman, young, aggressive, a business getter, and he's going to make things hum in the castellated structure at the northeast corner of Market Street and Eugene Bell Avenue.

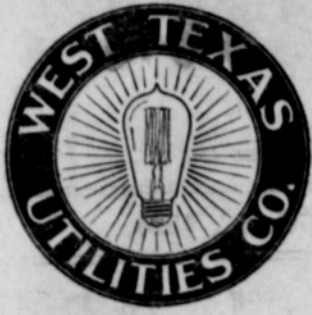
He has taken possession of his new purchase and is making quite a number of important changes in the interior ensemble of the building. As soon as he can secure a suitable home he will bring his wife and little son hither.

Harry Berry, Baird's pioneer garage man, and the first owner of a "horseless carriage" in Callahan County, will continue to make his home in Baird and devote his time to the management of his Clyde garage.

CHRISTMAS GOODS FOR CALLAHAN GIFT GIVERS

The merchants of Baird have laid in a full and complete line of Christmas goods of all kinds, characters and descriptions—gifts for the old and the young, the grave and the gay, expensive gifts and simple tokens of love and Yuletide remembrance.

It has been a prosperous year and we should have a most joyous Christmas. A walk along Market Street and peeps into the artistically and Christmussy dressed shop windows will just drag the money from your pockets to buy gifts for loved ones, not forgetting, however, that the humblest gift is freighted with a benediction, for it is given in loving remembrance of Him of lowly birth, Son of the Ever Living God, whose Divine eyes opened to the sins and sorrows of this old world 1924 years ago next Wednesday.



Stop! Look! Listen!
\$18.00 OVENETTE FREE

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FOR LADIES ONLY

It costs you nothing. All we ask is that you call at our office and register. We don't ask you to buy. And you must be present at our office at 3:30 P. M. on December 24th. Call at our office if interested.

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BRITAIN RECEIVES UNITED STATES WAR CLAIMS REPLY

American Note Received, But May Not Be Acted Upon Until Next Week.

Washington.—Ambassador Kellogg has reported to the State Department that he had delivered to the British Foreign Office the American reply to the communication from the London Government questioning the right of the United States to collect war claims from Germany from benefits received by that country under the Dawes plan.

The reply, drafted by Secretary Hughes, is understood to firmly support the position that the Washington Government has every right accorded to the allied and associated powers to make its collections under the Dawes plan.

The reply rejects the British contention which was to the general effect that the United States, not being a party to the Versailles treaty or the Dawes plan, has no right to any shares of the money collected thereunder. American claims total about \$250,000,000 and are for damage to American lives and property by Germans.

President Coolidge is reported as being opposed to any plan for submission to the world court or any other tribunal of the adjudication of war claims against Germany under the Dawes plan. His position also was said to be unchanged regarding war debt funding to the United States by France and other powers.

Mr. Coolidge is known to be convinced that the American position regarding claims collection is perfectly understood by foreign Government interests and that the right of collection is established beyond question by treaty agreements.

The President's position that there is no need of referring the subject of claims collections to a tribunal for adjudication is understood to be based on the belief that whatever differences may exist between the United States and Great Britain can be adjusted by regular negotiations conducted through representatives of the two Governments.

He feels it as evident that the position of the Washington administration, which has been outlined to the allied and associated powers by Ambassador Kellogg during the London conference, will be recognized by the interested Governments as the negotiations now being carried on between Washington and London progress.

While he is being closely advised regarding the agitation by a part of the London press concerning the question of war debt funding to the United States there has been no change in the position steadfastly taken by the executive on the question and he sees no occasion for giving American newspapers materials to answer the arguments advanced by London papers.

MRS. CAL COOLIDGE IS GIVEN DEGREE

Mrs. Coolidge Made Doctor of Laws By Boston University Friday.

Boston, Mass.—Mrs. Calvin Coolidge and Dr. Marion Talbot, dean of women at the University of Chicago, have received the degree of doctor of laws from Boston University at the induction of Mrs. Lucy Jenkins Franklin as dean of women. In conferring the degrees, President Lemuel H. Murlin characterized the recipients as follows:

"Grace Goodhue Coolidge—student, university graduate, teacher; daughter, wife, mother; in every station exemplifying the finer qualities of mind and heart we most admire in women; your own works praise you; you have gained the confidence, admiration and love of the American people.

"Marion Talbot—daughter of pioneers in educational progress; graduate and postgraduate of Boston University; distinguished as student, teacher, author, administrator; by example and precept a persuasive and effective influence in broadening and enriching educational opportunities for the young women of America."

6-Year-Old Boy Bakes Record.
 Weatherford, Texas.—Lonnie Stover, 6 years old, has picked 963 pounds of cotton this fall. He has averaged 45 pounds a day, the biggest day was 65 pounds.

Will Shorten Highway.
 Plainview, Texas.—State highway No. 9, between Plainview and Lubbock, will be shortened four miles by a new road along the railroad right of way between Plainview and Hale Center.

FOREIGN

Ten thousand blankets have been distributed as Christmas gifts to poor children of Mexico City by members of the minority group of the Chamber of Deputies.

President Calles of Mexico was presented with an American Federation of Labor badge by Samuel Bomper during the American delegations' visit to the chief executive.

Renewed earthquakes at Wonsobo, on the island of Java, have killed 1,400 persons and put hundreds of others to flight, according to reports from Dutch officials on the island.

Soviet Russia joined the "wet" countries of Europe, when the Council of People's Commissars issued a decree permitting the manufacture and sale of liquors and cognac up to a strength of 30 per cent, which is but 5 per cent less than the pre-war alcoholic standard.

The Roumanian Government is preparing to deport 100,000 undesirable under the recent law granting the authorities exceptional powers to maintain order. A large

number of Russian suspects, who can not well be sent home, will be required to live in a restricted area.

Peru is to have a natural hygiene institute and funds for construction of the building will be obtained from fines for infringement of the sanitation and pharmaceutical laws and other sources.

Women may be rejuvenated by X-ray treatment, according to Dr. Manfred Fraenkel, a reputable scientist of Berlin. Dr. Fraenkel's research with X-rays has convinced him that beauty and youthful vigor may be restored to women by their use. Cancers respond to X-ray treatment, Dr. Fraenkel also announced.

State Dairy Herds Free of Diseases.

Austin, Texas.—The State Live Stock Sanitary Commission has certified to the State Board of Control that dairy herds at the insane asylums at San Antonio and Terrell are registered and free of diseases and are producing an ample supply of milk. All State eleemosynary institutions, except those in Austin, are now supplied with dairy facilities. Those in Austin are within the city limits and for that reason dairies can not be maintained.

Tries Hand at Bootlegging.

Atlanta, Ga.—Responding to a natural desire for beautiful clothes, Miss Freddie Beasley, 16 years old, tried her hand at bootlegging, she told the City Criminal Court. "I was broke and wanted a new coat," she said. "A friend told me where I could get a load of whiskey, so I decided to try to sell it and buy the coat." Freddie gave the cops a three-mile chase before they captured her automobile and five gallons of liquor. She said a fine of \$50.

A net profit of \$2.13 per hen has been realized the last year by E. H. Egan of Denton, Texas, on his flock of 220 White Leghorns. Mr. Egan kept an itemized record of the cost of feed and egg cases for the year that showed this profit, his feed and egg cases costing \$557.26 for the twelve months with practically all of the feed purchased on the retail markets.

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Baird, Texas

**OBSERVATION WARD
URGED FOR INSANE**

To Provide an Observation Ward
Where Patients Will Be Ex-
amined and Classified

Austin, Texas.—Adoption by the
coming session of the Legislature of
recommendations which have been
prepared by the State Board of Con-
trol will result in the carrying out of
the board's plan for better medical
treatment of patients confined in the
various institutions for the insane
in the State, according to an an-
nouncement by the board and such
action would obviate the enactment
of a law which Senator R. A. Stuart
of Fort Worth has in contemplation.

The budget for insane asylums re-
cently adopted by the State Board of
Control provide for increase in sal-
aries of first assistant physicians,
who shall be graduate psychiatrists,
and other assistant physicians. These
increases are asked with the view of
applying the most modern methods
in the treatment of the insane. In
each asylum it is planned to provide
an observation ward where patients
will be thoroughly examined and
classified, the most acute cause be-
ing separated from the others. Ef-
forts will then be concentrated on
those patients classified as curable.
The board had discussed the feasi-
bility of establishing a common
hospital for observation work to be
located at some central point, but it
found that this would be too expen-
sive. In the opinion of board mem-
bers, the providing of an observation
ward in each institution would be
more practical and less expensive.
Such wards would save the expense
of sending patients to the general
observation ward from the institu-
tions in which they are confined.

Salaries of first assistant physi-
cians would be increased from \$1,-
500 to \$2,000 per annum, with board
and laundry, if the Legislature fol-
lows the Board of Control's recom-
mendations. Salaries of other as-
sistants would be increased to \$1,800.
At the present time some of these
receive \$1,400 and others \$1,500.

**NAVAL MEASURE IS
APPROVED BY SENATE**

Bill Authorizes Building Program to
Cost \$110,000,000.

Washington.—The Senate has ap-
proved the naval construction bill
authorizing a program expected to
cost \$110,000,000.

The bill provides for construction
of eighty-eight cruisers, six gunboats
to be used on the Yangtze River in
China and the conversion of six bat-
tleships from coal to oil burners.

The measure was passed by the
House and Senate last session, but
was held up by a motion by Senator
King (Dem.) of Utah to reconsider,
which was defeated.

Appropriations for the program
will be asked in the navy supply
bill for the next fiscal year, Chair-
man Hale of the Naval Committee
announced.

Senator King reiterated his oppo-
sition, demanding again "an exhaus-
tive and comprehensive investiga-
tion of the conduct of the Navy De-
partment."

He declared the department "in-
efficient and not up to the stand-
ards expected by the American peo-
ple."

"There is a feeling," he continued,
"that there is inefficiency in the
personnel of the navy. In my mind
there has been a distinct deteriora-
tion in the navy in the last four
years."

He favored consideration by the
navy of the air and submarine prob-
lems, and served notice that when
the navy supply measure came up he
would ask further inquiry into navy
conditions.

Chairman Hale said Senator King's
resolution for a naval inquiry "would
receive every consideration when it
came up before the committee."

British Note Received.

Washington.—The State Depart-
ment has received a communication
from the British Government explain-
ing the attitude of Great Britain
on the question of the collection of
war damage claims from Germany
by the United States under the Dawes
reparation plan.

Premier Akel Resigns

Reval, Estonia.—Premier Akel has
tendered his resignation owing to ill
health. M. Jaakson, former Minister
of Justice, has been invited to form
a new Cabinet.

Accept Strike Basis.

Havana, Cuba.—The striking sugar
mill workers have accepted in prin-
ciple the basis for ending their strike
proposed by President Zayas and
already accepted by the mills.

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Presents**

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Prosperous New Year

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WASHINGTON

The Farmers State Bank of Plano,
Texas, with \$60,000 capital, has made
application to the Comptroller of
Currency to convert as the Farmers
National Bank of that place.

The custom of receiving officials,
diplomats and the general public at
the White House on New Year's Day
is to be continued by President and
Mrs. Coolidge.

Further punishment has been dealt
to one of the insurgent Republican
Senators. Ladd of North Dakota has
just been dropped from the Senate
Steering Committee, which deter-
mines which legislation gets prece-
dence and pockets unwelcome meas-
ures. Ladd was one of the four La
Follette Senators excluded from the
Republican caucus a few days ago.

Your postal dollar, one of the \$4.49
spent for every man, woman and
child in the country for postal serv-
ice last year, has been traced by
postal experts of the Postoffice De-
partment to show exactly where it
went. Their study shows that of each
\$1 clerks in postoffices received 20.4c,
railroad transportation 16.2, rural
delivery service 15c, city and village
letter carriers, 14.1c, postmasters
8.8c, railway mail service 8.5c, rent,
light and fuel, 2c, with the remain-
der going into miscellaneous ex-
penses.

The death of Vice Counsel Henry
A. Dayton, shot several days ago in
Belgrade has been reported to the
State Department.

The Christmas recess of Congress
will run from Saturday, Dec. 20, to
Monday, Dec. 29, under a resolution
passed unanimously by the House.
The Senate will concur.

Proposal for American entrance
into a world court will be brought
before the Senate at the first op-
portunity. Senator Borah of Idaho,
chairman of the Senate Foreign Re-
lations Committee has announced.

President Coolidge has indicated
his opposition to further leave of
absence for Brigadier General Smed-
ley Butler of the Marine Corps, who
stirred up Philadelphia politics when
he went over there a year ago as
temporary chief of police.

In order to cut down cost of up-
keep of the Government's huge but
idle merchant fleet, the Shipping
Board will begin soon to scrap or
sell a large number of vessels which
have been tied up since the war.

No less than 22,600 persons were
killed and 678,000 seriously injured
in street and highway accidents in
the United States during 1923. The
economic loss involved in these ac-
cidents is estimated at \$600,000,000.

YOU TELL 'EM



Presents also make
the heart
grow fonder

At this Holiday Season of the
year, we desire to again thank
you for your friendship and pat-
ronage.

Let each New Year bring us into
closer co-operation for the good
of all.

It is in this spirit that we wish
you a very

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

"TEMPTING SERVICE"

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OUTSIDE OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

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Six Months.....1.25
Three Months......75

IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

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The newspaper plant of the Daily Dawn, a Ku Klux paper published at Coffeetown, Kansas, was wrecked by an explosion one night last week, entailing a loss of seventy-five thousand dollars. Some say natural gas, the owners say bootleggers, did it.

From reports of evidence taken in the Mayfield case, the Ku Klux Klan ran rough shod over all opposition to Mayfield in Burleson County, in 1922.

Perhaps that accounts for the large majority for Mrs. Ferguson in that County at the last election. Mob law always works its own destruction.

The Child Labor Amendment to the Federal Constitution was defeated in the Georgia Legislature last July by 170 to 33 in the House and 34 to 0 in the Senate.

We hope that the Texas Legislature will do even better than that. This vicious amendment, a mistaken effort of a few visionary theorists to better child life, ought not to receive the endorsement of a single State; but it will, and if Texans do not wake up to the evils of this Amendment, the Texas Legislature may ratify it.

Read the editorial on that question in this issue and if you oppose this effort to give the National Government control of your children, write to your State Senator and Representative, asking them to vote against it.

The December Confederate Veteran has a photo of a monument erected at Sabine Pass in honor of Captain Dick Dowling and his forty Irish gunners, who defeated a Yankee fleet and prevented an invasion of Texas at a most vulnerable point.

A Yankee fleet of 23 vessels anchored off the coast at Sabine Pass. A number of vessels, with two gunboats entered the harbor to capture the fort. The fort was constructed of mud and armed with a lot of old muzzle loading cannon, so the Yankee commander anticipated little resistance, but he got gloriously fooled.

The commander of the fort was Captain Richard Dowling of Houston and Patrick Hennessey as Lieutenant. The men were all Irish laborers, section bosses and laborers. As the fleet entered the harbor they opened fire on the fort, but Dowling ordered his men to hold their fire until near the fort, then ordered his men to fire at will.

They did so, with such fury that both gunboats were soon disabled and captured, with all on board. If

our memory is not at fault, one of the transports was sunk, but the others escaped. This is known as the Battle of Sabine Pass, September 6, 1863, won against overwhelming odds. Dick Dowling deserves a granite monument 1,000 feet high.

SAM GOMPERS, GREAT LABOR LEADER, IS DEAD

Samuel P. Gompers, the great Labor Leader, died at San Antonio last Friday night, while on his way home from the City of Mexico, where he had gone after attending the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor, at El Paso, in November.

The body was shipped to Tarrytown, New York, where interment will be made.

Union Labor—and all laborers—owe more to Sam Gompers than to any other labor leader, for his successful efforts to better their condition. He made some mistakes—and who has not? It is a true saying that the wisest and best of men err at times.

Sam Gompers deserves great credit for his successful efforts to better his own condition in life, but for the good he accomplished for the laboring classes generally. He successfully resisted the efforts of the radical element in organized labor to control the organization, and his death may prove a serious blow to Union Labor; it certainly will if the radicals gain control of that organization.

All friends of the laboring classes hope that some able, conservative man will take his place and work along conservative lines that Sam Gompers followed, because the public does not want strife and bickering between labor and capital, and a radical leader in Mr. Gompers' place is liable to cause trouble.

The American people, as a rule, are open to reason, and a just appeal to them always gets a hearing, but the efforts of any one class to force its rules or views upon the public, meets with widespread resistance.

Sam Gompers understood this and usually worked along conservative lines. That is why he was so successful. Let us hope that his successor will follow his plans; but there is some danger that the successor of Gompers will not follow his course. If any radical change comes in leadership, it will be unfortunate, both for Union Labor and for the country, and for this reason we hope a level-headed, conservative leader will be chosen.

Dr. Hiram W. Evans, Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, in an interview at Waco last week, emphatically stated that the klan is not in politics. But further along in the interview, when asked if he felt the klan was losing prestige or influence in the United States, the Imperial Wizard said: "We didn't seem to lose in Maine, Indiana and Colorado—we lost nowhere except in Texas and New York." Evidently he had reference to the late political election. No other construction can be applied. But regardless of what Hiram says it is a self evident fact that in Texas, the klan was, but is not now, in politics.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

The claim that the Ku Klux Klan is not in politics is pure bunk, and every Klansman and every one else knows it. The claim that the Klan never takes part in a political contest unless attacked, is another fictitious claim not borne out by the facts.

The Klan in Texas entered politics in Texas more than a year before the election in 1922, when few people were paying any attention to the Klan and most outsiders really believed it was really what it claimed to be a non-partisan fraternal organization. They kept secret endorsement of Mayfield and other State

officers until the truth came out in the first primary, and every candidate for a State office not defeated in the first primary, was defeated in the second except Mayfield.

Every candidate for a State office endorsed by the Klan in Texas in 1924 was defeated. One good man and a good Democrat, not a member of the Ku Klux Klan, W. O. Edwards, was defeated for Lieutenant Governor solely because the Klan had endorsed him without his solicitation—but the news got out. We know, because we tried to turn the tide in this county when the news first got out, but no use. The people were out to smash the Klan and any candidate a member or with a Klan endorsement was taboo in this county and much the same in other counties not dominated by Klan influence. The main reason is the American people are opposed to a secret political machine, party or faction.

Evans' boast that the Klan lost nowhere except in Texas and New York ought to open the eyes of Democrats everywhere, especially in the South. The Klan opposed Democratic nominees in Texas and New York. They supported Republican nominees in nearly all Northern States and if they supported Democratic nominees in any State, it was because they realized that the Democrats would win anyway. This was especially the case in all Southern States.

Texas was the only Southern State that the Klan openly opposed the Democratic nominees at the general election. Not all Klansmen, not even in Texas, allowed Hiram Evans to dictate to them how they should vote.

The Ku Klux Klan seems to have supported the Republican ticket, State and National, in all Northern States and that ought to queer them in the South—and will, is our guess.

PROGRAM

Signal Theatre

Saturday, Dec. 20th—Art Mix in "The Rider of Mystery Ranch"

Miss Glover, who last August won a Trophy in Tex Austin's Rodeo at the New York Stadium, plays a prominent part in "A Rider of Mystery Ranch" A daring cowgirl who tries to tame a supposed Tenebr-foot. Also a comedy.

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Friday, Dec. 26th—D. W. Griffith's

"Idol Dancer"

with Richard Barthelme and the 3rd Episode of

"The Jungle Goddess"

Saturday, Dec. 27th

"The Love Master"

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PERSONALS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Robinson, Saturday, December 13, at 7 o'clock p. m., a son.

Pat Bounds, who is attending Baylor Medical College, at Waco, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Grantham and Mrs. H. C. Grantham of Tecumseh, were in Baird Monday.

Mrs. Callie Windham and Mrs. Brook of Tecumseh, were in Baird Wednesday.

Editor Butler, of the Clyde Enterprise, was in Baird Monday and made The Star office a pleasant visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin, Jr., of Fort Worth, are visiting Mrs. Austin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Foy.

Miss Myrtle Boydston left Wednesday for Kansas City, to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. M. Henson.

Little Miss Irmadell Berry, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Berry, who was injured in an automobile collision last week, is buoyantly recovering from the effects of her injuries.

At the last meeting of the Baird Luncheon Club, A. R. Kelton was elected President, Rev. Dick O'Brien Vice President and James C. Asbury Secretary-Treasurer. There was no change in the Board of Directors.

Professor Julius Martinez, Leader and Instructor of the Baird Municipal Band, will hereafter do double duty in this dual capacity, having been tendered and accepted the leadership and instructive direction of the 131st Field Artillery Band, Texas National Guard, of Abilene.

Miss Jessie Lidia, who is teaching in the Tecumseh School, spent the weekend with her brother and sister-in-law, Otho Lidia and wife. She is attending the Teachers' Institute in Abilene this week. Miss Jessie will spend the holidays with her parents, in Stephenville.

County Judge Victor B. Gilbert, Maurice Bennett and Haynie Gilliland left Sunday for Balmerhea. There they will be joined by James H. Walker and Lee D. Kingston and go on a hunting trip on the Kingston Ranch, in the Davis Mountains. They will be gone about ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martin and little son Terry of Plainview, came in Sunday morning for a visit with Mr. Martin's mother, Mrs. H. C. Martin. They motored over to Coleman Tuesday for a two day's visit and left yesterday morning for Sherman, where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. Martin's parents.

Mr. Henry J. Cordwent, who has been here for the past two months, looking after the property left by his brother, the late Richard Cordwent, left last Friday morning for Forth Worth, where he was to spend a day or two before going to New York whence he will sail for England. Mr. Cordwent will return to Baird early in the Spring.

KIDDIES MADE A GOOD JOB OF IT ON CLEANUP DAY

The Baird kiddies—and some few grownups—made a good job of it on Cleanup Day, reports City Marshal Charles W. Conner.

"Hub Warren," he says, "tells me that it took three teams four full days to haul away the piles of trash that they heaped up all over the city, making three trips each to the Municipal Dump daily."

Good! Now keep Baird clean. Pile up the trash in front of your home or in the alley back of it, and the city will haul it away free of charge. And if the Market Street merchants will only make daily bonfires of their waste paper and other trash in the alleys back of their stores every morning, Baird will soon become and forever continue to be—a Spotless Town.

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MARX'S CABINET READY TO RESIGN

Baron Ago Von Maltzan Named to Succeed Dr. Otti Weidfeldt as Ambassador.

Berlin.—The Cabinet headed by Chancellor Marx has decided to resign owing to the refusal of Foreign Minister Stresemann's Folks party to enter a four-party coalition Government which would include Socialists. Marx has arranged an interview with President Ebert to determine the date of the Cabinet resignation.

The formal resignation of the Cabinet probably will take place in a few days. In sources close to the Chancellor it is indicated that the upshot of the situation is likely to be the formation of a Bourgeois bloc to include the Nationalists. This development is expected, partly because the Nationalists desire to try their hand at governing and partly because their opponents want to maneuver them into an impossible position, expecting their efforts to collapse after the first of the year when the entente declines to evacuate the Cologne zone.

The Republicans, thereupon, will be able to say that the Nationalists have failed to accomplish anything. The Socialists on the other hand, announce that "they do not intend to be terrorized by 100 Nationalists," and declare that they have reason to believe that President Ebert will ask Chancellor Marx to form a new Cabinet.

If the latter eventually comes to pass, Marx must approach the Socialists for co-operation.

Baron Ago Von Maltzan has been officially appointed as German Ambassador to the United States to succeed Dr. Otti Weidfeldt.

Baron Von Maltzan is 47 years old and a native of Mecklenberg. He was educated at the University of Bonn and Breslau. Starting on a military career, he became a Lieutenant of Dragons in 1898, but entered the Foreign office as an attache in 1906. He served as Secretary of Legation at Rio Janeiro, Christiania, and St. Petersburg, and in 1912 became Councilor of Legation at Pekin where he remained until China entered the war against Germany. He has been an Undersecretary in the Foreign Office for the last three years.

COOLIDGE'S AID ASKED FOR WATERWAYS BILL

Seek inclusion of Corpus Christi-New Orleans Intercoastal Canal.

Washington.—The National Rivers and Harbors Congress adopted a resolution proposed by Roy Miller of Corpus Christi for a committee to confer with President Coolidge for his active aid in passage of the River and Harbor authorization bill pending in Congress, calling for a total of \$53,500,000.

In his annual message to Congress the President approved the policy of waterway improvement, but recommended that the pending bill should be divested of some of its projects. There is no definite information as to what projects the President had in mind, but it is being generally accepted that the reference to elimination did not include the intercoastal canal extending from New Orleans to Corpus Christi. This with the Los Angeles harbor and improvement of the Hudson river call for about \$38,400,000 of the total.

Representative Dempsey of New York, chairman of the House committee reporting the bill, in a speech before the Rivers and Harbors Congress referred to these as the three most important projects in the bill, and referring particularly to the intercoastal canal said that on account of the high costs prohibiting all-road construction this would be an important adjunct in handling the country's commerce. He pointed out that the canal touched the only sources of sulphur to be found in the Southwest, being at Gulf and Freeport.

The following are attending the Congress from Texas: Robert Rispoli of Corpus Christi, chairman of the Nueces County navigation district; Roy Miller, Corpus Christi; J. S. Cullihan and Lynch Davidson, Houston; Harry Black and Maco Stewart, Galveston; George D. Anderson, Beaumont; W. E. Lea, Orange, and Wilbur Judson, vice president of the Texas-Gulf Sulphur Company.

Accuse Ex-Molder Official.

San Francisco, Cal.—John Metcalf, former president of the San Francisco local of the International Iron Molders' Union is held by the police here on charges of attempt to commit murder as a result of the shooting of B. S. Edwards, a nonunion molder.

In the Matter of County Finances in the Hands of

Mrs. ROY JACKSON,
TREASURER OF CALLAHAN COUNTY,
TEXAS,

Commissioners' Court Callahan County Texas, In Regular Quarterly Session, Nov. Term, 1924

We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Callahan County, and the Honorable County Judge, Victor B. Gilbert, Judge of said County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1924, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of Mrs. Roy Jackson, Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas, for the quarter beginning Aug. 11th 1924 and ending on the 9th day of Nov. A. D. 1924, and finding the same correct, have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, stating the approval of said Treasurers' Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since her last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by her present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1924.

We and each of us find the report to be correct and as follows:

Jury Fund First Class.		
Balance last quarter.....	\$ 3139 42	
To Amount received during Quarter.....	450 56	
By Amount paid out during Quarter.....		\$ 613 26
Amount to balance.....		2976 72
	\$ 3589 98	\$ 3589 98
Amount on hand.....	\$7976 72	
Road and Bridge Fund Second Class		
Amount overdrawn last Quarter.....		1701 94
To Amount received during Quarter.....	\$ 6143 02	
By Amount paid out during Quarter.....		7485 73
Amount overdrawn.....	3044 65	
	\$ 9187 67	\$ 9187 67
Amount overdrawn.....	\$3044 65	
General County Fund Third Class		
Overdrawn.....		\$ 664 97
To Amount received during quarter.....	898 04	
By Amount paid out during Quarter.....		7062 64
Amount overdrawn.....	6829 57	
	7727 61	\$ 7727 61
By amount overdrawn.....	\$6829 57	
Road District No. 4, Available Fund, Fourth Class		
Balance last Quarter.....	\$ 8811 18	
To Amount received during Quarter.....	8 05	
Amount paid out during Quarter.....		421 22
Amount to balance.....		8398 01
	\$ 8819 23	\$ 8819 23
Amount on hand.....	\$8398 01	
Estray or Fifth Class		
Balance last Quarter.....	85 16	
To amount received during Quarter.....	8 50	
By amount paid out during Quarter.....		34
To amount to balance.....		93 32
	\$ 93 66	\$ 93 66
Amount now on hand.....	\$93 32	
No. 1, Sinking Fund, Sixth Class		
Overdrawn.....		4432 43
To Amount received during Quarter.....	4888 46	
By Amount paid out during Quarter.....		107 90
Amount to balance.....		348 13
	4888 46	\$ 4888 46
Amount on hand.....	\$ 348 13	
Road District No. 1, Available 8th Class Fund		
Amount balance last Quarter.....	\$164368 43	
To Amount received during Quarter.....	11026 94	
To Amount paid out during Quarter.....		15779 69
By amount transferred to other funds.....		126234 84
Amount to balance.....		33380 84
	\$175395 37	\$175395 37
Amount on hand.....	\$33380 84	
Road and Bridge No. 4, Sinking Fund, 9th Class Fund		
Balance last Quarter.....	\$1494 23	
To Amount received during Quarter.....	472 85	
By Amount paid out during Quarter.....		56 73
Amount to balance.....		1910 35
	1967 08	1967 08
Amount on hand.....	1910 35	
Escrow Section A Unit, No. 2 Fund, First Escrow Class.		
To amount received during Quarter.....	\$16107 41	
To amount transferred from other Funds.....	18707 88	
By amount paid out during Quarter.....		\$25369 88
Amount to balance.....		9445 41
	\$ 34815 28	\$ 24815 29
Amount now on hand.....	\$9445 41	
Escrow Section A, Unit No. 3 Fund, First Escrow Class.		
To amount transferred from other Funds.....	\$ 46912 79	
Amount to balance.....		\$ 46912 79
	\$ 46912 79	\$ 46912 79
Amount now on hand.....	\$46912 79	
Escrow Section B Unit, No. 1 Fund, Second Escrow Class.		
To amount received during Quarter.....	\$ 3264 42	
Amount transferred from other Funds.....	39794 38	
By amount paid out during Quarter.....		\$ 4946 09
Amount to balance.....		38112 71
	\$ 43058 80	\$ 43058 80
Amount on hand.....	\$38112 71	
Escrow Section, B Unit, No. 2 Fund, Second Escrow Class		
To amount transferred from other Funds.....	\$ 11778 33	
Amount to balance.....		\$ 11778 33
	\$ 11778 33	\$ 11778 33
Amount now on hand.....	\$11778 33	
Public Building Fund, 10th Class		
Balance last quarter.....	\$ 419 02	
Amount received during quarter.....	229 26	
Amount paid out during quarter.....		\$ 2 32
Amount to balance.....		645 96
	\$ 648 28	\$ 645 28
Amount now on hand.....	\$645 96	
Escrow Section A, Unit No. 1, First Escrow Class.		
To amount received during Quarter.....	\$ 5573 77	
To amount transferred from other Funds.....	9041 46	
By amount paid out during Quarter.....		\$ 12255 05

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J. H. Carpenter, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.

J. S. Yeager, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.

Geo. Clifton, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Victor B. Gilbert, County Judges A. R. Kelton, J. H. Carpenter, J. S. Yeager and G. H. Clifton, Commissioners of said Callahan County, Texas, each respectively, on this the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1924.

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"THE CHIEF IS GONE"

Just Before the End Gompers Grasp-
ed the Hand of One of His As-
sociates, Asking for His Wife.

San Antonio, Texas.—Samuel Gompers died at 4:05 Saturday morning in his room at the St. Anthony Hotel. His death was announced five minutes later by Chester I. Wright, press representative of the American Federation of Labor.

Wright came into the hall from the room where Gompers battled with the grim reaper all through the long hours of the night and said: "The chief is gone."

Failing heart action, caused by the strain of the grueling trip from the City of Mexico and the aged man's generally weakened condition caused his death, according to Wright.

In a bulletin issued at 10 o'clock Friday night, the last official statement issued before Gompers' death, the physicians declared that there had been no change in his condition and that there was every indication he would spend a comfortable night.

At 2 o'clock, however, there was a sudden change in the veteran labor leader's condition and he sank rapidly from that time until 4:05 o'clock.

Shortly after 2 o'clock all members of the Gompers party and officials of the American Federation of Labor were awakened by Wright and a United States immigration officer who stood guard at the door all night.

Local labor leaders were notified of their chief's condition at that time also and a number of men and women began crowding the corridors near the room, on the third floor at the St. Anthony.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, went into his chief's room at 2:30 o'clock but would make no statement at that time.

Between 3:45 and 4 o'clock Gompers grasped the hand of one of his associates, asking for his wife in a faint voice.

"Please send for my wife, I know I am dying," he begged. It was within ten minutes after he spoke these words that he died, according to Wright.

After Gompers' death was announced purposeful looking men with iron-gray hair, in wrinkled business suits, stood in front of his door and cried—unashamed.

These men—leaders in the labor world—every one of them, spoke hardly a word.

They were too moved by the death of their chief to talk.

Silent women in kimonos—members of the American Federation of Labor secretariat staff—wept silently. Their leader was dead.

At 4:45 o'clock members of the executive staff of the American Federation of Labor met in Secretary Morrison's room for a conference and Wright announced that an official statement would be made, following the conference. He didn't know, however, how long the executive session would last, he said.

Gompers made no rational statements regarding the future of the American Federation of Labor before his death, however, according to Wright.

"That he did not make any statement regarding his wishes in relation to the federation is simply my personal opinion," said Wright, in explaining that he had heard nothing about it.

One of the first persons to be notified of Gompers' death—even before news service flashes were sent—was President Calles of Mexico.

The first woman, except women members of the party, to be notified of the death, was Mrs. Chester I. Wright of Washington. Wright wired her immediately after he announced the death.

Mrs. Gompers was also notified immediately and fifteen minutes later

scores of telegrams were being sent by the grim-faced men and weeping women who thronged the hallway on the third floor of the St. Anthony.

At 2:30 he uttered his last words. "Nurse, this is the end," he said. "God bless our American institutions. May they grow better day by day."

From that time until the end Mr. Gompers was unconscious. His breathing was heavy until just a few moments before the end. As death approached his face became calm and he sank peacefully and quietly in his last slumber.

Blackmail Leader to Quit Pals.

London.—Monagu Newton, alleged brains of the gang which squeezed \$750,000 in blackmail out of Rajah Sir Harri Singh, has decided to turn State's evidence against his fellow conspirators. It was announced after a hearing of charges against Hobbs, another of the blackmail ring. It is now believed that the other parties in the case will escape punishment unless fresh evidence is forthcoming which definitely connects them with the blackmailing.

Alaska Cut Off From World

Seattle, Wash.—Alaska has been cut off from the outside world by cable because of a break in the Seattle-Sitka line and the Seattle-Ketchikan cable, twenty-five miles north of here. Breaks in the cable between Ketchikan and Wrangell and Petersburg and Wrangell also were reported. Messages are being forwarded to the Puget Sound naval station at Bremerton, where they are sent by naval radio.

President Coolidge has recognized Ira Nelson as Consul General of the Roumanian Government at Chicago. Mr. Morris will have jurisdiction in thirty States, including Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, and New Mexico.

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NOTICE OF BANKRUPT'S PETITION FOR DISCHARGE

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas.
In the matter of Charley Alexander Kent, Bankrupt.
No 1063 in Bankruptcy—Office of Referee.

Abilene, Texas, 12-4-'24.

Notice is hereby given that Charley Alexander Kent, of the County of Callahan, and districts aforesaid, did, on the 17th day of October, 1924, file in the Clerk's office of said Court, at Abilene, a petition setting up that he has been heretofore duly adjudged a bankrupt under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1898; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy, and praying for a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate in bankruptcy, save such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

On considering the above mentioned petition, it is ordered that any creditor who has proved his claim, and other parties in interest, if they desire to oppose the discharge prayed for in said petition, shall, on or before the 8th day of January, 1925, file with the Referee for the Abilene Division of said district, a notice in writing of their opposition to a discharge in the above entitled cause.

D. M. Oldham, Jr.
Referee in Bankruptcy.
3-1t

PRAIRIE DOG NOTICE

It is unlawful for any land owner or lessee of land in Callahan County to allow Prairie Dogs to run at large on same. It is his duty to have had them exterminated before this. On account of numerous complaints reaching this office relative to Prairie Dogs, it is suggested that trapping and fumigation is too slow and too expensive a method of extermination, and a poison formula is given herewith which is recommended by the United States Department of Agriculture, which if followed out systematically need not exceed in price four or five cents per acre.

Mix thoroughly one ounce of powdered strychnine and one ounce of common baking soda. Dissolve one heaping spoonful of dry laundry starch in a little cold water and add it to three-fourths of a pint of boiling water. Boil and stir till a thin, clear paste is formed. Slowly sift the mixture of strychnine and soda into the starch paste, stirring constantly to form a smooth, creamy mass. Add one fourth pint of heavy corn syrup and one tablespoon of glycerine and stir. Add one-tenth ounce of saccharine and again stir thoroughly. Pour this mixture, while still hot, over thirteen quarts of clean oats and mix until all the grain is coated.

For mixing use metal wash tub, if convenient, and stir with a hoe or spade. Each quart of the prepared poison is sufficient to treat about fifty holes. Scatter the grain on clean, hard ground, near the burrows, never on loose soil or in the holes. With reasonable care, cattle, sheep and other live stock on the range will not be endangered.

In this climate, where the animals do not hibernate, winter poisoning is recommended and, is effective, on account of the scarcity of green food obtainable for the dogs.

Victor B. Gilbert,
County Judge.
3-1t

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MRS. JOE MCGOWEN HONORS MOTHER WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Joe McGowen honored her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hinds, with a birthday party Monday evening. Mrs. Hinds had been on a shopping trip to town and on her return home found that a number of her friends had gathered to greet her.

In a contest of dissecting a turkey Mesdames J. D. Boydston and Wylie James were awarded the prize, a box of candy, for the largest number of correct answers, while the booby went to Mrs. T. R. Price.

The birthday cake was cut and served with chocolate. Mrs. Joe McGowen and Mrs. Bob Norrell sang, "Shall We Gather at the River," being accompanied on the piano by Mrs. W. H. Berry.

Those present were: Mrs. W. J. McGowen, Martha Gilliland, J. S. Hart, W. L. Henry, M. Franklin, C. L. Gunn, H. C. Martin, Wylie James, J. D. Boydston, C. W. Conner, J. F. Dyer, J. Y. Gilliland, Frank Hinds, T. R. Price, N. H. Warren, Lizzie McCoy, C. M. Mills, W. H. Berry, J. B. Cutbirth.

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