

# 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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## GENERAL MERCHANDISE

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#### ROY JACKSON DIES

Roy Jackson died Monday morning at an early hour, after an illness of ten days with pneumonia. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church by his pastor, Rev. Gerald Fitzgerald, who paid a splendid and deserved tribute to one of the most popular young men who ever lived in Baird. At the close of the service the Woodmen took charge of the remains and concluded the service at the grave in Ross Cemetery. The funeral was attended by many friends and relatives and the floral tributes were many and beautiful.

John Roy Jackson was born in Callahan county, Dec. 23, 1883; died Jan. 2, 1922, aged 38 years, and 10 days. He had lived in this county all his life except two years spent in the oil fields. He is survived by his wife and two children, James, aged 12 years and Grace, aged 10 years, his mother, Mrs. Andrew Jackson, and three sisters, Mrs. Harry Ebert, Mrs. Pat Haley and Miss Flossie Jackson.

Roy Jackson was a good man and an upright citizen. He worked in several stores at Baird and at the time of his death was working for B. L. Boydston. He always met a customer with a smile and usually with something like "What is it today, Uncle Bill?" or whatever the name was. Rich or poor, well dressed or ragged they always met a courteous clerk in Roy Jackson and it grieves "Uncle Bill," who has known Roy since a child, and is nearly twice his age, to have to write this notice of his death. A splendid, whole-souled young man has gone from among us. God rest his soul. We extend sincere sympathy to his wife, children, mother and sisters and other relatives in this hour of sorrow.

#### FIRE BOYS' BANQUET AND DANCE

Baird's Volunteer Firemen gave their second annual banquet and ball last Friday night, and both events were signally successful, and were carried out in the usual efficient "fire boy's" manner. The banquet was held in the fire house, the conflagration subduing apparatus being moved out into the street to make room for the tables.

Covers were laid for one hundred guests and, at about eight o'clock, the signal was given and the firemen, their honorary members and the families of both, together with a few invited guests, were seated and did ample justice to the good things set before them.

At the conclusion of the banquet the untouched "fragments" of the feast were gathered up and there was enough to provide a hearty midnight lunch, which the appetites of the celebrants, made sharp by several hours' dancing, keenly appreciated.

The ball was held in the Terrell Building on South Market Street. "Single Smith's" Jazz Band," of Fort Worth, furnished the music, and The Star reporter, who watched the terpsichoreans through several measures, can truthfully assert that as at that famous dance given on the eve of the Battle of Waterloo, "eyes looked love to eyes that spake again, and all went merry as a marriage bell," until the dawn of 1921's last day was not far distant.

There have been rain signs abundant the past few days, but some how old J. Pluvius didn't pluve.

#### EASTERN CAPITAL TO INVEST

H. L. Mobley, of Cisco, with whom are associated a number of Cisco men, according to The News of that city, will spud in a well this week in the southern extension of the Deep Creek Shallow Field. They have secured in one tract a lease on 200 acres, and expect to do considerable development. Mike Fleming and Edgar Knowles, of Cisco, will do the drilling.

According to Mr. Mobley, Deep Field operations are picking up and that there will be much activity from now on. Homer Peoples has just completed an inspection tour of the field, and he says that Eastern capital is soon to become interested actively in that section.

#### GOOD READING FOR LITTLE PUPILS

"The Ancient Scholar," when he was a pupil at the Baird Public School, made frequent mention, in his articles in The Star, of the avid thirst for good literature evinced by many of the more advanced scholars, who eagerly read through the library list and then, like "Oliver Twist," cried for more. Large numbers of the pupils in the higher grades avail themselves of the school's general library.

There is great lack of suitable reading matter for the little scholars, but this lack will soon be materially remedied. Wednesday Superintendent J. F. Boren received a check for \$50 from the Wednesday Club of Baird, with which he will purchase books suitable for the school's younger pupils to read.

#### MGR. ALLPHIN TO BASE BALL FANS

The Baird Base Ball Club, which made a most creditable showing last season on the diamond field, was not so fortunate financially and, when the season closed there was a deficit. Base ball days will soon be here again, and Manager J. A. Allphin hopes to put a stronger team in the field for the 1922 season than ever before, but he can't do this without the united and liberal support of the fans.

"We thank the good people of Baird," he said yesterday to The Star man, "for what they have done for us, but we will have to come back and ask their united support and loyal help this year. We still owe something on our ball suits and for the construction of the grand stand. The latter is something we never had before, and our patrons certainly appreciated its comfort and convenience.

"I hope," continued Mr. Allphin, "that the club's creditors will not feel that they will not get their pay, because, as soon as we get the money, every debt will be paid in full. To secure a fund for that purpose I am going to sell ten season tickets for \$10 each, so as to free the club from debt, and I feel that that number of Baird's regular supporters of the club will come loyally to its assistance by taking advantage of this liberal offer. We aim to play ball this season as never before."

D. W. Pool, of Eula, announces this week for sheriff. Mr. Pool has lived in Callahan county 38 years and is worthy and qualified for the place.

#### MISS WORK FOR DISTRICT CLERK

To the Voters of Callahan County:

In asking you to elect me to the office of District Clerk of Callahan County I consider it fair that you should know whether or not I am qualified for the position and worthy of your support. I therefore invite you to make the most thorough investigation of my ability to properly keep the records and perform the duties of that office.

Those with whom I am not personally acquainted can obtain such information by asking their neighbors about me, as I am well acquainted in all parts of the county, having become acquainted with many of the citizens of the county while serving as Clerk of the Local Exemption Board of Callahan County during the war.

If you will elect me District Clerk I promise that I will give my closest attention to the duties of the office, and will be ever thankful for your support.

(Miss Bess Work)

The body of W. O. Miller, hostler in the T. & P. yards here, and a much esteemed citizen, who died in a sanitarium in Abilene last Saturday, following an operation for appendicitis, was taken to his old home, in Breckenridge, Missouri, Sunday night, on No. 16, being accompanied by the sorrowing widow, who alone survives him. An account of the spectacularly solemn and impressive funeral services Sunday morning in our sister city's First Christian Church, appears elsewhere in The Star.



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Baird, Texas

## BRIMMER SCORES

By ETHEL M. HALL.

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Brimmer was in high spirits. The concert was over, and he had scored a success, a great success. He had not known until the last lingering notes of his violin had melted away, and the hushed, tense silence that followed was suddenly broken by a wild crash of applause, how successful he had been.

He slipped into his overcoat, tucked his violin under his arm, and opening the stage door, passed out into the night. It was cold and clear. The crowd from the concert, passing by under the bright street lights seemed gay and louder than ever.

He drew in a long breath of the keen sharp air. Yes! It was good to live, good to do great things, to be somebody! He would write to the folks at home and tell them of his success; no, he would cable. The news would reach them sooner. But he had almost forgotten—he must tell Minna first.

And, after all, had it not been the thought of Minna that had urged him to succeed? Tonight he would tell her. She would be pleased to hear of his success, she would think better of him. Perhaps, Brimmer thought, she would slap her hands in that odd way she has and say simply:

"Ach, es tut mir leid sehr leid!"

A smile spread over Brimmer's face and he struck out down the street humming concert airs under his breath. He thought only of three things: His success, that was uppermost, of Minna, and of the folly of an unwritten social law that built up barriers between classes and condemned social relations between those classes.

A frown puckered his brow as he wondered what his father and mother and sister would think if they knew about Minna. Minna, the daughter of a German shopkeeper, and he the son of a proud old English family whose name was honored in social and political circles. But Brimmer was not in the mood to tolerate unpleasant thoughts, so he dismissed them.

He loved Minna! She had never confessed to loving him, but then, she had smiled and talked much, and had even encouraged him by her little flirtations. From the first Brimmer had been attracted to Minna—from the day when he had discovered old Kroeger's little restaurant in the narrow street behind his lodgings. Minna was there. She was plump and pretty; her eyes were dark and fringed with long lashes, and in her hair she wore a red flower. She smiled at Brimmer, and lingered awhile after she had brought him his meal. After that he went every day to the restaurant in the narrow street. And every day he saw Minna—Minna!

Oh, yes, she loved him—she must love him. He had so much to give her now. Even before she would have been glad to have him—but now, after his success! He smiled to himself—he was sure of himself. Tonight he was sure of everything! He did not care what his mother or the rest of his family would think of Minna. He knew what he thought—that was all that mattered. He would ask Minna tonight. He was a man, a successful man; he would care for Minna and himself.

Brimmer turned into the narrow street. In Kroeger's restaurant the tables were deserted, except one where an old man sat dozing over his beer glass. Brimmer looked around for Minna. She was not there, perhaps she was back in the "kuche." He sat down at one of the tables in a corner and waited. For the first time he noticed that the place seemed different.

There were fewer tables, the hangings had been removed, in one corner nailed boxes were piled high. Kroeger was cleaning up, or getting ready for renovations, Brimmer thought. Not such a bad idea, either.

The door at the back of the restaurant opened. Victor Kroeger, fat, disheveled and almost enveloped in an untidy apron, crossed to Brimmer's table. He was flushed, excited, and Brimmer wondered if he had heard of his success and if he were going to congratulate him. But he did not. Instead he broke into the bad English that he always insisted upon using when speaking to Englishmen—to show-off, Brimmer thought.

"Ach, it iss you, Herr Brimmer? Vor such a long time haf I not seen you. You vill not mind dis—" he indicated the chaotic condition of his shop. "You see, it iss ve vill be here nicht mehr. Tomorrow ve go away. A bedder place for us vill it be dere."

Brimmer started. Yesterday when he had seen Minna she had not told him about this. Then he remembered suddenly that Minna never spoke to him of herself or her family. He

asked weakly:

"You are moving away? Where? And Minna? Is Minna going with you?"

Kroeger looked at Brimmer with surprise. "Minna? Haf you not heard? She haf not told you? Nein? Ach, die bebling! Minna—she iss already away. She iss married—last evening. He iss Eric, and he helped me to cook here. He vill keep ein wirthshaus, und Minna, she vill help him. Ach, Herr Brimmer, dey luf each uder—dey iss sehr happy! Und nun, vas kan I do for you? I haf not much to gif you—only sauerkraut und beer—since it iss dat ve must go away tomorrow."

## SUNK BANK'S MONEY IN WELL

How Gold Belonging to Georgia Financial Institution Was Kept Out of Sherman's Hands.

How the money of the State Bank of Georgia was successfully hidden during Sherman's march to the sea, and how the entire sum, which was between \$150,000 and \$200,000, was returned to the bank virtually intact, makes a strange story. An old subscriber sends us the tale.

On the evening of November 28, 1864, Wallace Cumming, cashier of the Bank at Savannah, was ordered to take the money out of danger, for Sherman was approaching the city. Cumming's wife, who subsequently wrote the story of the adventure for her grandchildren, accompanied him on a special train that was hurrying to cross the Altamaha river before the southern troops cut the bridge. The gold was packed in nail kegs. At Thomasville they hired an empty store and placed the kegs of gold there. Jerry, one of Cumming's servants, took turns with a man named Ross in guarding the store at night.

Later they transported the money to Macon, where the State bank had a branch office. In April, 1865, news came that another federal force was making its way southward, and what to do with the money became again an anxious question.

Finally they decided to wear what gold they could, bury some and sink the rest in a deep well. Each member of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nesbit, with whom the Cumming family had lived for six months, wore wide belts made of heavy linen, which they had stitched full of \$20 gold pieces. That of course took care of a comparatively small sum. Every day Mr. Cumming made several trips between the house and the bank, and on each trip came home loaded with money. Nesbit, who owned a large iron foundry, cast a long, round iron bar, about the width of a \$20 gold piece, and sharpened at one end. One night Nesbit and Cumming went out into the front yard, which was a mass of rosebushes in full bloom. They thrust the rod down close to the roots of a bush and as deep as their united strength could sink it; then they filled the hole with gold eagles, which they dropped in one by one, and threw loose earth over the top. In that way they buried between \$30,000 and \$40,000; and they kept a record of how

much was buried under each rosebush. The rest of the money they sewed up in little bags, which they placed in boxes and let down into a deep well. Two days after the gold was buried the Yankee army took possession of Macon and seized the assets of two or three other banks in Savannah.

Cumming was captured, but all that the army found in his vault was several barrels of Confederate money and a few hundred dollars in silver that he had not had time to hide.

The money remained in the garden and in the well more than two years, and all of it was recovered and returned to the bank at Savannah except one small package of gold \$1 pieces, which was lost in the mud and water.—Youth's Companion.

## Hard Fate of Brilliant Woman.

French newspapers are making terrible revelations of the poverty in which many of the greatest French savants are found to live.

The first woman doctor to practice medicine in France, Mme. Madeleine Bres, has just been discovered by the newspapers living in extreme poverty and completely blind. She is 82 years old.

Mme. Bres was a poor man's child, and when a child was employed in the hospital conducted by the Sisters of Charity at Nimes. When she was 15 years old she married a bus conductor, who was jealous of her attainments. After marriage she took lessons in Latin and gained her degree at 28. Later, by special intervention of the Empress Eugenie, she was enabled to attend examinations in medicine and study under the most noted French physicians.

After practicing for 50 years, however, her sight failed and for some years she had lived on the verge of starvation, refusing the invitation of the public charity authorities to enter the paupers' home.—London Herald.

## Finds 65 Pearls in Oyster Shell.

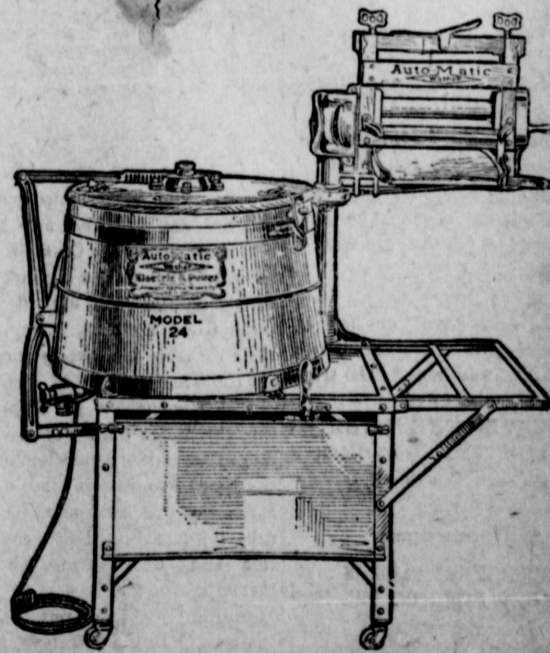
Shreveport, La.—Twelve years ago Dan Kumarich, owner of the De Luxe Cafe in the local Elks' Club, began shucking oysters and has been at it ever since. At times he has found pearls in bivalves, but his "catches" never amounted to more than two or three until Wednesday, when he opened an oyster that yielded sixty-five white pearls, some large and apparently valuable, and one big, black specimen believed to be worth a substantial sum.

## 120 Quarts of Tequila Seized.

San Antonio, Texas.—Three men were arrested and an airplane containing 120 quarts of Mexican tequila was seized at Del Rio by prohibition enforcement officers.

## Famine Follows Floods in China.

New York.—New floods sweeping over vast sections of China and followed by famine have killed thousands and left hundreds of thousands starved.



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## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

### IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

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Six Months......80  
Three Months......50

### OUTSIDE OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

One Year.....\$2.00  
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## THE TRUTH ABOUT DEBS

The posts of the American Legion which have expressed resentment at the release of Eugene V. Debs and other violators of the espionage act are certainly justified in the face of the fact that Debs is being made out a hero and a martyr in some quarters.

The action of the Administration is understandable and is probably justified. Very little could be gained by keeping Debs in jail any longer, and while a good argument can be made out for the proposition that the verdict of the juries and of the courts should be permitted to stand, we are disposed not to criticize the Administration for taking a different view of the matter.

But when this man, who in the midst of the war did all that was in his power to thwart the Government's conduct of the war, is hailed as a hero, it is no wonder that the men who risked their lives on the firing line should not feel impelled to protest.

The worst feature of Debs' release is that his followers are now misinterpreting it. They not only take it to be a confession on the part of the Government that he should never have been imprisoned, but are distorting the offense for which he was jailed. This distortion is well illustrated in one of the banners carried in the parade which welcomed him at Terre Haute. It read:

"He Served the Working Class. Hence the Prison."

There is only one way to characterize properly such a statement.

It's a lie!  
Debs was jailed because he gave aid and comfort to the enemies of the country of his birth.

No matter in what idealistic phrases he may have clothed it. No matter what vehement hatred of war he might express. The truth is this:

HE SERVED THE ENEMIES OF HIS COUNTRY. HENCE THE PRISON!—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

## BAIRD PROGRESSIVE CLUB IS PUTTING BAIRD ON THE MAP

Of late The Star has received many inquiries, all of the same tenor: "What has become of the Baird Progressive Club?" and behind most of these inquiries there was a covert sneer and that "I told you so!" facial expression that has followed the downfall of no less than three commercial organizations in Baird during the last three or four years.

The Baird Progressive Club meets but once a month, and last month, because of the holidays, there was n

## NEW YEAR'S DAY

"There are they which come out of great tribulation."—Rev. 7-14.  
As the children with prize boxes, all in a row,  
Are eager, anxious, waiting, to find what each one holds in store,  
So the world today is peering into this New Year,  
Asking the same great question: "Does it hold good cheer?"  
"Yes!" the soft wind whispers, in accents low and sweet,  
"There are many blessings down at the Savior's feet."  
"God, who lives in Heaven, and ruleth over all;  
"Who sees the little sparrows, and notes when each one falls,  
"Will bring out our deepest sorrows, the greatest joys of all."  
Mrs. Foy.

meeting at all. There will not be a meeting until the last Friday in this month, January 27, when it is proposed having a monster get-together meeting in the school auditorium, when everybody will be invited, at which their will be music, dramatic reading, speeches and other entertaining features, and the Executive Committee of the Club, the clear-headed, hard working, Baird-loving and Baird-boosting Thirteen, will give an account of their stewardship.

When that report is filed the scoffers will blush with shame and, if they are honest, admit that Baird has at last an uplifting and expanding commercial organization that really functions and does things. Not all of the thirteen deserve this praise, however, but this human deadwood will be cast aside and new timber put in its place.

This Executive Committee is the backbone of the Progressive Club. It is supposed to meet every Thursday night, and it does and there is always a quorum present. Having been granted extraordinary plenary powers by the Mother Club, these Thirteen, or those of them who are "live wires"—and there are enough of them on the committee to make a working majority—stand ready, at any minute, to drop their private business and meet every day, or two or three times a day, if necessary, to investigate, discuss and take action on any plan for Baird's betterment. And these plans are sure piling in at a rate that will astonish the "lay members" of the Club, and the citizenship generally, when Secretary of the Executive Committee (and also Treasurer of the Club) Walter C. Martin makes his report at the next regular meeting of the Club.

This Committee, acting always in perfect harmony, has done the work that a high-salaried "Commercial Secretary" would have been expected to do, done it better—and then some. The citizenship generally and the one hundred and seventy odd members of the Club especially, should have only the highest praise for the unselfish and unpaid work of these Good Citizens, who give of their valuable time freely and gladly for the Greater Glory of Baird.

The Star space at the disposal of this chronicler does not permit of more than cursory mention of what the Baird Progressive has done so far and of the betterment for Baird projects that it has under consideration and—Deo volente—will put through.

Imprimis: It has put Baird on the map and, in a few days, he who runs, gallops, walks, rides or autos anywhere within fifteen miles of Callahan County's Capital City, will have no difficulty in finding it, for twenty-two attractive and plainly lettered sign boards have been set up at road crossings within that district, giving the exact distance and pointing out the direction to Baird.

On the first of April the Club will formally open the Baird Free Auto Tourist Camp, on the south side of the Bankhead Highway, south of

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to make the following announcement, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary

For County Tax Collector:  
Clyde White.  
Oral D. Strakan, Cottonwood.

For Sheriff:  
G. H. Corn (re-election).  
C. E. Bray, Belle Plaine.  
D. W. Pool, of Eula.

For Tax Assessor:  
Wm. J. Evans, Cottonwood.

For County Judge:  
W. E. (Eugene) Melton, Baird.  
Victor B. Gilbert, of Putnam.

For District Attorney:  
L. W. Green, Baird.

For County Attorney:  
B. F. Russell, of Putnam.

For District Clerk:  
Miss Bess Work, of Baird.

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:  
J. H. Carpenter, of Dudley.

the Ice Plant, made possible through the generosity and public spirit of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sigal. The "camp" comprises a full city block, which will be cleared, fenced and water, electric lights, and gas-heated Dutch ovens installed. The park will, when opened, closely resemble the model displayed in Mayfield & Hall's store window on Armistice Day.

Arrangements have been made to keep Baird's most excellent Firemen's Brass Band functioning for another year, and the band will, in the future, when the weather permits, give its agreeable weekly evening concerts on Market Street.

Baird has an abundant pure water supply, conveniently at hand. Engineers who have recently examined it say an abundance for the domestic and sewerage demands of a city of ten thousand inhabitants or more. The Executive Committee purposes developing and harnessing this water supply for the use and behoof of Baird's citizenship if the people so desire, and who among us does not? The scheme will be fully explained and understandingly presented to every taxpayer within the corporate limits in the next few days.

Later will come a school house, which is as much needed as a better water supply and a sanitary sewage system. Through the efforts of the Club's Executive Committee, Market Street is an avenue beautiful with its soft, glowing "white lights" and the gorgeous "We Welcome You to Baird" electric sign, suspended midway above that thoroughfare.

These are a few of the things accomplished or in process of accomplishment, and The Star will keep you posted at every turn of the Great Wheel of Municipal Progress.

## K. K. K. BLAZING CROSS ON CASKET

Engineer W. O. Miller, former hostler in the T. & P. yards here, who died in a sanitarium at Abilene last Saturday, following an operation for appendicitis, was a member of the Invisible Empire—dreaded by all evil doers—and six hooded klanmen, paid the klan's last tribute of love and respect to their dead comrade, as his coffined body lay in state in the First Christian Church of Abilene, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. It was a solemn and impressive ceremony and the big audience—most of them from Baird—witnessed it with tear-drenched eyes and sobbing voices, tears streaming down the cheeks of the preacher even, who witnessed the impressive ceremony from the pulpit.

The casket had been taken into

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the church, reposing on trestles at the altar. The funeral services had just begun and the choir was tremulously chanting an anthem, when a large automobile, from which the number and all other means of identification had been removed, pulled up in front of the church and six white robed and hooded figures quickly alighted.

On the breast of each figure was blazoned the fiery cross of the Ku Klux Klan, black-bordered because of the occasion. The leader bore in his arms a large cross of red roses tied with ribbons of the same lurid hue. Attached to the blazing floral emblem was a card thus inscribed:

"To our departed brother, with deepest sympathy, from Baird Klan No. 169, Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Texas."

Bearing this floral cross aloft and followed by his five hooded companions, the leader quickly and in silence entered the church and the

awesome procession filed down the aisle, halting beside the casket, upon which was laid the cross. Then, resting upon one knee, their right arms stretched aloft, their heads bowed reverently, the klanmen remained two minutes in silent prayer, a silence broken, however, by the convulsive sobs and shuddering moans of the big congregation.

Awesomely as they entered the clansmen, rising from their knees, filed out of the church, quickly entered the big auto and dashed rapidly away—and the crowd on the sidewalk gasped with that shivery apprehension that comes over one when one hears a strange noise in a graveyard at night.

**POWELL FARM POSTED**—The Powell Farm, Pastures, Lot and Barn south of town are all posted. Trespassers, hunters, trappers and loiterers of all sorts are warned to keep out. They will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.  
5-4t Robert Estes.

## STATEMENT

# The First National Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 31, 1921

### Resources

Loans and Discounts..... \$356,074.72  
Stocks and other Securities..... 8,580.08  
Banking House and Fixtures..... 7,400.00  
U. S. Bonds and Certificates..... 32,989.40  
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank... 2,250.00  
Cash and Due from Banks..... 129,063.17  
Due from U. S. Treasurer..... 1,250.00  
Total..... \$537,607.37

### Liabilities

Capital..... \$50,000.00  
Surplus and Profits..... 30,325.38  
Circulation..... 25,000.00  
DEPOSITS..... 432,281.99  
REDISCOUNTS..... NONE  
BILLS PAYABLE..... NONE  
Total..... \$537,607.37

The above Statement is correct.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier.

MEMBER OF REGIONAL BANK FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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## MAYFIELD & HALL BAIRD, TEXAS

CREDIT TERMS: 30 DAYS

Statement of the Condition of

### The Home National Bank OF BAIRD TEXAS

At the Close of Business, Dec. 31, 1921

#### Resources

Loans and Discounts.....	\$250,156.56
U. S. Bonds.....	50,100.00
Stocks and Securities.....	21,900.00
Furniture, Fixtures and Real Estate	19,697.36
Cash and Exchange.....	98,910.12
Due from U. S. Treasurer.....	2,500.00

\$443,264.04

#### Liabilities

Capital.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits.....	17,078.02
Circulation.....	50,000.00
Deposits.....	296,186.02
Bills Payable.....	30,000.00

\$443,264.04

The above statement is correct

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.

## PERSONALS

Claude Gates was able to resume his duties at the round house after quite a severe sick spell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thomas left Tuesday for their new home near Big Spring.

We regret to learn that our old time friend, W. H. Perry, is seriously ill at his home in Clyde.

Mrs. Patton and Miss Ora Terry, of Fort Worth, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry, during the holidays.

J. B. Walker, of Texola, Okla., spent the holidays with his brothers, F. L., Jess and John Walker and sister, Miss Susie Walker.

The little 18 months old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Cage Heslep was severely burned a few days ago by falling against a hot stove.

J. C. Estes has returned to El Paso after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Estes.

B. M. Brundage is the new chief of the Baird Volunteer Department. The full list of the newly elected officers will appear in next week's Star.

Sunday School at the Methodist Church will convene at 10 a. m. sharp. Get there on time if you want to attend the opening service.

Miss Eva Reed, after spending the holidays with the home folks, returned to Cottonwood Sunday to resume her school duties there.

Miss Ora Terry has returned to Fort Worth, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry.

Mrs. P. C. Caylor and daughters, Mary, Rachel and Frances, of Fort Worth, visited Mrs. Caylor's brother, Lee Estes, and family during the holidays, returning home, Monday.

J. L. White, Jr., spent Christmas day with Mrs. J. L. White, returning to Dallas Monday night, to resume his duties with the Hargreaves Printing Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Wooden and daughter, Ruby have returned to their home in Kansas City, Mo., after spending the holidays with Mrs. Wooden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. D. Ground.

Virgil Jones, D. D. S., and family, J. R. Reed and family and Ernest Jones and family, spent Christmas Day with A. W. Howell and the boys, with whom they had a most enjoyable time.

County Superintendent B. C. Chrieman requests The Star to announce that there will be an examination for teachers' certificates at Baird, Friday and Saturday the 3rd and 4th days of February.

That progressive organization the Callahan County Purebred Livestock Association, of which M. W. Armistead, of Putnam, is president, will hold its regular monthly meeting tomorrow (Saturday) at the City Hall.

Baird Public School, as every one knows, is crowded to much more than real capacity, but Superintendent J. F. Boren seems always to be able to find room for one more. Wednesday he registered thirteen new pupils, all but one of whom were newcomers in Baird.

Rev. C. A. Loveless, who has accepted a call from the Baird Baptist Church, as pastor, has arrived with his family and he will preach next Sunday. The Star welcomes Brother Loveless and family back to Baird, where they spent some time years ago.

Restaurateur Frank E. Stanley, of the Elite Cafe, is very proud of his kitchen, and he always welcomes visiting guests who want to see how their meal orders are prepared. Just now he is introducing, with pardonable pride, his new Japanese chef, Redee.

Miss Beal Work, of Baird, is a candidate for District Clerk. Miss Bessie has lived in Baird most of her life, has had considerable experience in clerical work and is well qualified to efficiently fill the position. Besides she is a most estimable young lady, always courteous and polite. See her card.

Mrs. A. M. Miller turned over Uncle Sam's postal business in Baird to her successor, M. J. Holmes, on the last day of the old year, leaving for Dallas the following Monday, where she will remain for some time as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. T. E. Parks.

The intermittent and atmosphere shattering concussions that came from the south side of Baird Tuesday and Wednesday and gave nervous people the "jumps," was not the cannonading of Bolshevistic invaders, but employes of the Bell Telephone Company dynamite excavating post holes.

Wheat farmers in Callahan county who have examined their fields of fall planted wheat, declare that when unearthed the grain is as sound and free from signs of germination as when planted, due to the lack of moisture in the soil and the failure of the rain clouds to coordinate.

According to the census of 1920 Callahan had 174 citizens of foreign birth, their countries of nativity being Canada 6, Czechoslovakia 1, Denmark 2, England 6, France 4, Germany 26, Ireland 6, Italy 1, Mexico 111, Netherlands 1, Norway 1, Russia 4, Scotland 1, Sweden 1, Switzerland 1, all other countries 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Gallegly, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Landrom, of Parks, Misses Aurelia and Mary Bowyer, of Fort Worth and Otis Bowyer, Jr., of Dallas, spent the holidays with their parents, Judge and Mrs. Otis Bowyer, Sr.

Mrs. E. H. Leache and little son left Tuesday morning for Ft. Worth where they were to join Mr. Leach who spent several months in Boston and other eastern cities and they went to San Antonio, where they will make their future home. Little Miss Beverly Leache, remained with her grand-parents, Judge and Mrs. Otis Bowyer, and will spend the remainder of the winter with them.

Vice Commander Otho Lydis, of Eugene Bell Post No. 82, American Legion, has issued a call for a regular meeting of the members of the Post on Thursday night January 12, at Legion Hall, at 7:30 p. m., and the attendance of all members is requested, as an election of officers for the coming year will be held.

Adjutant James C. Asbury, of Eugene Bell Post, No. 82, American Legion, requests The Star to announce that the 1922 dues of all members should be paid at once, as it is necessary for the Post to have the National and State dues for at least fifteen members turned in by January 15, in order for the Post to hold its charter. The dues for 1922 are \$3.

Adolph Barney, the demented Italian, who was brought here from Clyde recently, suffering from a gunshot wound in the hip, is recovering from his injury. His people, who live in Brooklyn, New York, have been communicated with by Sheriff George Houston Oorn, but they intimate no intention of taking charge of him, and the sheriff begins to think that Adolph will become as difficult to get rid of as was Siabed's "Old Man of the Sea."

Farmer Tom Edwards, of the Clyde section, Callahan county's big breasted Poland China hog breeder, believes in keeping his herd at top notch. He was in Baird Saturday and informed The Star that he had recently purchased a two-and-a-half month old boar pig, one of the state's grand champions. "The day with Roster," for which he paid \$50. The roval piglet weighs 30 pounds, but by fall Farmer Edwards will have him turning the crank at the 300 pound mark, and he expects to carry off the state's blue ribbon next fall when he exhibits him.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. McMaouis, of Breckenridge, visited relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Young and Mrs. Robinson were in town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Thomas, who recently moved to Cisco, visit relatives here during the holidays.

Mrs. R. E. Barker visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. White, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tackett have returned from a visit with Mrs. Tackett's sister, Mrs. Barker, in Abilene.

Dick Price, who spent the Christmas holidays with his family here, has returned to the Davis mountain country, where he has worked several years on different cow ranches.

Miss Addie Day left a few days ago for Ft. Worth to visit her sisters, Mesdames Driskill and Austin. Miss Addie will leave shortly for San Diego, Calif. where she will make her home. Miss Addie has many friends in Baird and Callahan county, who wish her well in her new home.

M. J. Holmes took charge of the Baird Postoffice on New Year's Day, and is slowly but surely perfecting himself in the multifarious details of Uncle Sam's postal business. He retains as his assistants C. E. Strain and Horton Hornsby. If Holmes, P. M. will only start selling three two-cent stamps for a nickel he has cinched a life job.

## NATIONAL MEETING TO PLAN FARMERS' RELIEF

PRESIDENT HARDING ASKS GENERAL SURVEY; WILL SEEK EMERGENCY RELIEF.

Washington. — President Harding has asked Secretary of Agriculture Wallace to summon a national conference to devise means to relieve the depression under which the farming industry is laboring.

The "ablest representatives of agricultural production" will be asked to make a broad survey of the situation. In addition, spokesmen from related industries—milling, packing, exporting, and the like—will be asked to participate.

The conference will seek emergency relief measures first. Then it will endeavor to formulate "general policies" to assist in the maintenance of production and the general and permanent betterment of agriculture.

The summoning of the conference arises from the belief held throughout the administration that no permanent improvement of domestic business conditions can be expected until the purchasing power of the farmer is restored. Farmers comprise 40 per cent of the population, and their economic situation is worse than it has been in decades.

The buying power of farm products is less than it was during the prewar years, and in many instances lower than at any previous time. The harvests of 1920 and 1921, in general, were good, but soil products have been selling for less than it cost to produce them, and with his own income cut, the farmer has been confronted with relatively higher prices for everything he has had to purchase. In addition, money had been borrowed at high rates of interest to finance operations. When the operations resulted in a loss the farmer had the utmost difficulty in meeting his obligations. Related complications included land booms and stringent credit.

The conference which Wallace will call will take up 20 subjects bearing on the situation—freight rates, cooperative marketing, exporting, credits, etc.

Invitations were to be sent out Friday night by telegraph.

## WORLD AIR RECORD IS BROKEN BY AMERICAN

Edward Stinson, Texas Stunt Flyer, Stays Up 26 Hours and 19 Minutes.

Mineola, N. Y.—The Larsen monoplane piloted by Edward Stinson, which Friday morning broke the world's continuous flying record of 24 hours, 19 minutes and 7 seconds, descended shortly after 11:15 a. m., after having been in the air 26 hours, 19 minutes and 35 seconds.

The official times were: Start Thursday morning 8:58:15. Finish Friday morning at 11:17:50.

Stinson, stationed at Kelly Field, Texas, during the war as instructor, probably trained more American flyers than any one man.

Stinson was forced to descend because of a faulty oil connection with which he and his mechanic, Lloyd Bartaud, had battled since 3 o'clock Friday morning. They still had gas enough to have flown until sundown.

The pump used to inject oil into the lubricating system from the auxiliary oil tank went out of commission. The flyers punctured the tank, set up a temporary tube and began feeding the lubricating system by hand, taking turns at the controls of the plane and at the oil tank.

Three fingers of Stinson's right hand and one on his left were frozen. Bartaud's hands were numb.

## ASSIGNMENT OF BANK EXAMINERS ANNOUNCED

Austin, Texas.—The quarterly conference of State Bank Examiners was concluded Friday. Assignments of examiners for the first quarter of the year 1922 were announced by Commissioner of Insurance and Banking Ed Hall as follows:

H. D. Wallace, Amarillo district; W. A. Williams, Austin; C. C. Campbell, Beaumont; H. T. Bridges, Brownwood; John B. Hudson, Bryan; W. L. Peterson, Corpus Christi; E. O. Sneed, Dallas; D. B. Diggs, Eastland; V. S. Maret, El Paso; G. A. Swaim, Fort Worth; J. O. Carter, Greenville; L. A. Dowlen, Houston; A. H. Eubanks, Mexia; A. S. Ferrell, Nacogdoches; Charles Kramer, San Antonio; A. L. Slaughter, Sherman; H. M. Walden, Sweetwater; Carl Carlson, Temple; F. F. Kennedy, Texarkana; J. J. Jordan, Tyler; Nolan Taylor, Victoria; W. N. Greer, Waco; W. A. Smith, Weatherford; H. O. McCallon, Wichita Falls; John S. Wightman, special examiner.

H. W. Barton is departmental examiner and F. P. Wood is general liquidating agent.

## ENTOMIZED NEWS OF ESPECIAL INTEREST

IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE ENTIRE WEEK REDUCED FOR BUSY READERS

### FOREIGN—

Diplomatic officers of the German Government will be opened at Washington, New York and New Orleans this week, it is announced.

Premier Nikolai Lenin and War Minister Leon Trotsky after lengthy negotiations before the all-Russian Soviet, won a vote of confidence from that body for military warfare against all enemies, if necessary.

Marrage is, for a woman, the solution of the problem of getting passports to various European countries, the difficulties of which became almost insuperable after the war, a Lucerne business woman has discovered.

President Obregon has accepted the resignation of Raul Zubaran as Secretary of Industry, Commerce and Labor. It is insistently rumored that Alberto J. Pani, new Secretary of Foreign Relations, will be offered the post.

The efforts of Germany during 1921 to fulfill her peace obligations have failed, and it is idle to think that any political and economic efforts will now succeed unless these conditions are modified, declared the annual report of the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce, issued last week.

The first official report of cannibalism in the famine districts of Russia has been made to the all-Russian Soviet Congress by delegate Ovsienko of Samara, according to a dispatch to the official Rosta News Agency, dated Moscow. "At Ramkovesky the parish people are eating the bodies of their dead," Ovsienko told the congress.

### DOMESTIC—

The Chicago City Council, by a vote of 51 to 6, called on the Nation and State to amend the prohibition laws to permit the sale of "wholesome beer and light wines."

The War Finance Corporation is going business at the rate of several million dollars a day, according to the annual report of that organization submitted to Congress.

Mrs. Christiana Schubert, 101 years old, died at her home in Galena, Ill., last week. Until recently she did her own housework and she ascribed her longevity to hard work on the farm.

News print is occupying the attention of Senate tariff makers, manufacturers asking for protection for their industry and newspaper publishers urging that the paper be retained on the free list as proposed in the Fordney bill.

A certificate of war service has been sent by Postmaster General Hays to each of the 363 postal workers who served during the world war in the postal agency attached to the American Expeditionary Forces, or to the relatives of those who died in the service.

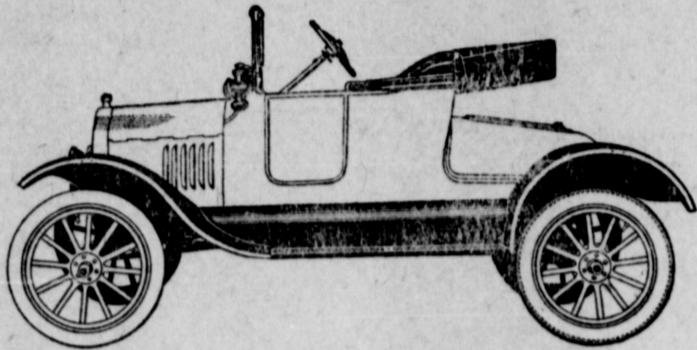
Dr. C. M. Moates, a negro physician of Leavenworth, Kan., has been recommended to President Harding for appointment as Minister to Haiti. Senator Curtis and Representative Tinker, both of Kansas, were in the party which called at the White House in Dr. Moates' behalf.

A telegram sent from St. Louis, without any personal designation, merely addressed, "The man unto whom humanity is most indebted for a code of practical, unselfish, world-wide rules of action, which will ultimately lead to peace on earth and good will among the nations thereof—Washington, D. C.," safely reached former President Wilson, for whom it was intended.

Her ability to cook has earned Mrs. Anna Souder, of Philadelphia \$60,000 and an automobile. This and the motor car were left to her by the will of Samuel W. Ihling, for whom she was housekeeper.

Deaths from tuberculosis in the "registration area" of the United States during 1920 totaled nearly 100,000, the Census Bureau announced, estimating the mortality from this one cause in the entire country at 122,000.

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BAIRD

TEXAS

The American dollar selling at a discount in one European country—Switzerland—American bankers are reported to be planning to follow the movement with gold exports to Geneva.

On Dec. 16 there were 531,337 idle freight cars "because of business conditions," according to reports received by the American Railway Association. Of the total, the reports stated, 1221 were surplus freight cars in condition.

Nomination of Emer Dover of Tacoma, Wash., to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, has been confirmed by the Senate.

Announcing their determination to keep step with the return to normalcy in prices, the Carpenters' Union at McAlester, Ok., has voted to reduce wages from \$9 to \$8 per day.

The country's important farm crops were valued this year at \$5,675,887,000 based on prices paid to farmers on Dec. 1, the Department of Agriculture announced in its final estimates.

The annual joint maneuvers of the Atlantic and Pacific fleets which were to have been held in Panama Bay in February and March, 1922, have been abandoned, the Navy Department announces.

The St. Louis-San Francisco Road was authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission to issue \$2,122,000 in bonds to reimburse its own treasury for expenditures on betterments along its lines.

American exports to Europe declined \$43,000,000 in November as compared with the previous month, according to an official summary of foreign trade issued by the Department of Commerce.

Active cotton spindles in November aggregated 34,486,669, as compared with 54,921,626 in October and with

31,700,014 in November, 1920, the Department of Commerce announces through the Census Bureau.

Announcement is made by Senator La Follette (Rep.), Wisconsin, that soon after Congress reconvenes he will begin presenting to the Senate and to the country data showing that railroad labor's wages are less today than at the beginning of the present century.

A rate of 20 per cent on leather and removal of boots and shoes from the free list with a grant of 15 per cent duty, was asked of the Senate Finance Committee by representatives of these industries. At the same time they urged that cattle hides be retained on the free list as voted by the House of Representatives in the Fordney bill.

### WASHINGTON—

Wall street is undisturbed over persistent reports that a German scientist has succeeded in making synthetic gold.

For the first time in several years street cars are operating in Des Moines, Iowa, without motor competition.

Responsibility for women's immodesty in dress has been placed squarely on man's cupidity by Bishop Alma White, head of the Pillar of Fire denomination of New York.

Five airplanes of the Government mail service were destroyed by fire at the United States Government field at Maywood Ill., last week. Damages were estimated at \$200,000.

William M. Wood, president of the American Woolen Company, has authorized the announcement to employes that their wages for the coming season are not to be reduced.

Mrs. Sarah Shank, a Democrat, wife of General Lewis Shank, Republican

Mayor-elect, of Indianapolis, has been appointed a member of the Board of Park Commissioners by her husband.

More than \$100,000,000 was spent by the American people for toys and games during 1921. The factory value of toys manufactured in this country has more than trebled.

General Charles G. Dawes Director of the Federal Budget, announces the appointment of Gordon Ramsay, former Public Administrator in Chicago under Governor Lowden, as chairman of the interdepartmental board of the Budget Bureau.

With hundreds of persons passing at the time, two armed men entered a jewelry store at Seventh and Olive streets, one of the busiest downtown corners in St. Louis, and escaped with \$700 in cash and diamonds and jewelry valued at \$5,000.

Mrs. Edith R. McCormick, daughter of John D. Rockefeller Sr., was granted a divorce from Harold F. McCormick, president of the International Harvester Company, in Superior Court at Chicago last week.

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in Federal Court last week against Robert H. Ingersoll & Bro., manufacturers of the Ingersoll watches of New York. Liabilities were set forth as \$3,000,000, and assets, exclusive of good will, as \$2,000,000.

America has seen "at home" to more visiting celebrities in 1921 than in any previous year of her history. And most of them came in and went out by America's front door, which is the port of New York.

Too poor to marry. That was the reason that impelled Thomas Brands, 18 years old, and his sweetheart, Matilda Rist, 17, of Passaic, N. J., to take their lives by poison, the boy told the police at the General Hospital, where he died.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

**Judge Saves Man From Mob**

Sulphur Springs, Texas.—Judge Geo. B. Hall of Greenville quieted a threatening mob in the District Court room at Emory Saturday during the trial of Andrew Taylor, charged with criminal assault on his 14-year-old daughter. The judge rose from his seat, pointed his finger at leaders and told them that they would have to cross his dead body to reach Taylor. The mob dispersed and the trial continued.

**Contract Work Is Scored.**

Chicago, Ill.—If the railroads are permitted to let out work on contract in order to evade the Federal transportation act, nothing can prevent officials from "directly farming out" the management of the carriers and knocking down the entire operating system to the lowest bidder. That was the contention of Frank P. Walsh, counsel for the American Federation of Labor railway department, before the United States Railroad Labor Board in arguing the case.

**EXIST AS OF OLD**

Persians Far Behind on the Road  
of Civilization.

Country May Be Said to Have Made  
No Progress Since Dawn of  
the Christian Era.

The next time I see a railway system I am going to make a deep salaam to it—even if it is government owned. Picture a country almost three times the size of France without any railroad to speak of. If you could float over that territory you would see most of the people living exactly as their ancestors did in the centuries before Christ.

In seed time you would see men plowing with one hand, two oxen and what looks like a piece of crooked stick, writes Maude Bradford Warren in the Saturday Evening Post. In harvest time you would see the oxen tramping out the wheat from the chaff. You would see mills consisting of a couple of stones and a stream of water. You would discover in this vast area only one waterway, no rivers to speak of, and but four main roads. Of these four only two are fully practicable for vehicles, and even they do not equal third-class European roads. They were made or repaired by foreigners. On them you may see a few motor cars, also instituted by foreigners. And by no means do they travel with the ease and cheapness of the cars of the West. There is a good telegraph system, but letters nowadays take weeks and even months to travel from one side of the country to another.

You would see no real mines of coal or copper, no quarries, no cotton mills or clothing factories, no foundries or machine shops, no big electrical installations; none of the modern improvements that we westerners consider essential to prevent stagnation. It is medieval, this land, as no country can possibly be nowadays that has railroads, with all which that connotes. Here time does not matter; nothing matters. There is but little sense of isolation, little consciousness of backwardness, little urge of progress, little realization of the necessity of surveying the country to find out its resources, little moral obligation to develop all powers and promises.

Sometimes resources are not even conserved. Wood is appallingly scarce and coal seventy-odd dollars a ton, and yet many who cut down trees do not replant. The industries are simple—copper and brass work, skin collecting, tanning, rug weaving, dyeing. The one great industry, oil wells, is under the control of foreign power. And if the tentative observations of outsiders are to be trusted, the country is amazingly rich in oils, in minerals, including coal and iron, and in parts its agricultural products are abundant and of first quality. It is Persia.

**Mystery Grass.**

In England a mysterious grass which grows in muddy flat land and bears the name of Spartina Townsendi, is giving the scientists "furiously to think" just at the moment. This reedlike grass was first observed in 1870 in Southampton Water, but for many years it attracted little attention except from botanists. Lately, however, it has started to grow at a positively alarming rate. It has spread rapidly over the mud-flats about its place of origin, until now it occupies dozens of square miles. It has a remarkable capacity for holding mud, and in this respect it acts as a protector of the coast-line and a reclamer of land. This is all right in some districts. On the other hand, in such places as Poole Harbor the channels are in danger of becoming choked by it, because by matting the mud together it prevents the scour of the tide from carrying it out to sea. If this danger can be counteracted, the new grass may be useful as a food for stock and as raw material for paper.

**Improved Fuel Oil Engine.**

A Louisiana inventor has succeeded in developing a new fuel oil engine of semi-Diesel design, in which the excessively high compressions of this type are eliminated, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. Owing to the use of an improved fuel-injection jet and a method of preheating the oil, it is claimed that the power impulses are smooth expansions rather than abrupt, racking explosions, and that, for this reason, the engine can be built lighter than existing models of heavy oil burners, making it suitable for installation in passenger automobiles and motortrucks.

**Schools and Museum Co-operate.**

Natural history study in Cleveland, O., will be enhanced by affiliation of the public schools with the museum of natural history to be established in that city. At consultations of the museum director, the superintendent of schools and the staff of each, ten-

the resources of the museum may be utilized by the school children. The museum probably will not be built for two or three years.

**Dismisses Women Teachers.**

Women teachers are no longer employed in French schools for boys. The authorization to employ them, granted during the war, has been withdrawn, because the return to normal has rendered men teachers available.

**Body Of Driller Is Recovered.**

Mineral Wells, Texas.—The body of Henry J. Manzey, 25 years old, was recovered from a depth of 406 feet in the D. A. Upham well, near Halesville, north of here, into which he was knocked Wednesday, after rescuers had worked practically twenty-four hours. The body was mangled. The well is 480 feet deep and there is 130 feet of water in the hole. The body, when found was wedged in the hole, fifty feet under water.

**Passed Bill For Russian Relief.**

Washington.—The Senate has passed the House bill appropriating \$20,000,000 for the relief of the starving and distressed in Russia.

**Man Coughs Up A Bullet.**

Greenville, Texas.—R. C. Jones, a farmer, residing in the Center Point community, southeast of Greenville, coughed up a piece of bone in which was imbedded a Minie ball. It was a ball with which Mr. Jones was shot during the Civil War.

**Will Close Construction Shops.**

St. Louis, Mo.—The Missouri Pacific will close its five construction shops Dec. 24 for an indefinite period. It is announced at general offices of the road here.

**Hunt Sender Of Poison Candy.**

St. Louis, Mo.—Police and postal inspectors have begun a search for the sender of a box of poisoned candy to Miss Laura Spies, a telephone operator. An analysis showed the candy contained a deadly poison.

The Missouri & North Arkansas Railroad applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission last week for a Government loan of \$3,500,000.

France is willing temporarily to forego cash reparations payments from Germany, a high official in the French Foreign Office have given out.

F. G. Pettibone, vice president and general manager of the Santa Fe Railroad, has been elected president of the General Managers' Association of Texas.

Street car service in Mexico City and its suburbs was resumed last week, the motormen and conductors voting to return to work after a stormy meeting.

The Siguranzia Palace at Bolgrad, Bessarabia, has been wrecked by a bomb according to a dispatch from Bucharest. One hundred soldiers and police on duty within the palace were killed.

Warlike appeals have been issued to the Russian Bolshevik army and navy by Leon Trotzky, Minister of War and Marine. These appeals, sent out by wireless, demand increased preparedness for hostile action.

Jesse M. Nickelson, world war veteran, died in a local sanitarium in Dallas last week as a result of injuries received when he came in contact with a high-voltage electric current at Monroe, six miles south of the city.

R. E. Rourke, Comptroller of Currency in the Dominion Government, took his life last week by swallowing poison. The Comptroller's office is the highest post in the Canadian Department of Finance under civil service regulation.

It is understood that Fritz Kreisler, the noted violinist, has declined to accept the post of Minister to Washington from the Austrian Government, because of a contract to tour the United States which would prevent him from taking up his duties in the American Capital.

The House Ways and Means Committee will take up the sold or bonus question immediately after the Christmas recess. Chairman Fordney announced that the committee's first order of business would be to determine how funds with which to pay a bonus could be raised.

**WASHINGTON—**

Earl Throst, 26 years old, has confessed that he killed Miss Inga Magnusen, pretty 23-year-old school teacher, near Dorchester last week because she had "turned him down flatly," the Sheriff's office announced.

Former Mayor James M. Curley was elected Mayor of Boston last week by a plurality of 2,315 votes over John R. Murphy, former Fire Commissioner, in one of the closest Mayoralty contests in the history of the city.

Representatives of 35,000 maintenance of way and railroad shop laborers throughout the country have voted to reject any wage reduction proposals by the roads and appeal to the Railroad Labor Board on Dec. 19 for increases ranging upward from 17 per cent.

Meat prices in Chicago have soared since the strike became effective a little over a week ago. Federal conciliators reported last week. Figures given out by them showed the following increases over prices of Dec. 1: Pork, Dec. 1, 12c; Dec. 12, 23c. Lamb, Dec. 1, 14c; Dec. 12, 26c. Beef, Dec. 1, 9c; Dec. 12, 13c.

"Although I return to France to France to spend Christmas with my family, I leave my heart in the United States. That is my Christmas gift to this country," was the farewell message of Marshal Ferdinand Foch.

Permission to establish reduced freight rates on iron ores in the Eastern district was refused by the Interstate Commerce Commission last week to the railroads who sought to put the cuts into effect Jan. 1 and maintain them until March 31.



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