

The Baird Star.

Our Motto: "Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But The Git-Up-And-Get That Makes Men Great."

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BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1926

NO 20

A NUMBER OF NEW HOMES BEING BUILT IN BAIRD OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

North Baird is experiencing a building boom. Judge B. L. Russell recently completed a nice residence just north of his home place. The new residence is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Keelan. We understand, Judge Russell, will build another residence similar to the new one, just east of it.

Mr. H. H. Shaw is building a nice residence in North Baird, on the north-west corner of the W. T. Wheel tract, where he bought three lots. The house is the Old English style, with six rooms, bath and breakfast room. The building complete, will cost about \$4,000.00.

John Hancock will also build a new residence soon, so we are informed.

Burnice Andrews will build a new residence just north of the George Scott place.

W. R. Smith, has recently repainted his home in east Baird.

Ernest Cooke has recently completed a nice residence near the public school building.

W. J. Ray has had the gutter in front of his Garage, laid in cement.

Mrs. J. W. Jones is building a three room addition to her residence, in East Baird.

Mike Sigal, is remodeling the Brown residence in west Baird, which he recently purchased. We understand he will make two small residences.

Larmer Henry, will make some improvements on his residence, just north of Mrs. Jones, in the way of painting, papering and adding a bath room.

Lonnie Ray is building a residence north of the Court House. He tore down his old house and will build on the same site.

Mrs. R. E. Langford has purchased the Richardson property in west Baird and is having the house torn down and will, we understand, build two or more small bungalows. Mrs. Langford was formerly Miss Verda Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Murphy, of Baird.

MARRIED

C. W. Bruton and Miss Myrtle Kanady, both of Belle Plaine, community, were married at the Methodist Parsonage, April 15, 1926.

H. H. HILL DEAD

H. H. Hill, who has been ill at the wagon yard, across the street, from The Star office, died Sunday evening and was buried Monday. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Joe R. Mayes, Pastor of the Baptist Church. Mr. Hill is survived by his wife and four children.

The sympathy of all who knew them is felt for the family which is left in straightened circumstances financially, by the death of the husband and father.

REVIVAL CLOSED LAST SUNDAY

The Revival at the Methodist Church closed last Sunday night. In spite of the cold weather the attendance and interest held up splendid. There were 20 conversions with 10 additions to the church.

The Pastors and people of the other churches were faithful and helpful, and every Methodist appreciate them. We believe that religious interest is on a higher plane than formerly. One feature of the meeting, was that all expenses were paid before the meeting closed, thus avoiding a public collection. Every thing considered, it was a good meeting.

W. B. Eastham and son, Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Powell, of Mangum, Oklahoma, visited relatives in Baird and Admiral, this week.

CALLAHAN COUNTY TRACK AND FIELD MEET RESULTS

RESULTS LITERARY EVENTS TRACK MEET

CLASS A SCHOOLS DECLAMATIONS

Senior Boys
Ralph Short, 1st Place..... Baird.
Truman Nance, 2nd Place..... Clyde.

Junior Boys
Earnest Wicker, 1st Place..... Baird.

Senior Girls
Myrtle Eugenia Haggard, 1st Place..... Baird.
Dora Alice Favor, 2nd Place..... Eula.

Junior Girls
Ruth Simonds, 1st Place..... Baird.
Pauline Kendrick, 2nd Place..... Denton.
Ava Gladys Griffin, 3rd Place..... Clyde.

SINGING CONTEST CLASS A DIVISION

Baird, 1st Place.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CONTEST

Frances Vestal, 1st Place..... Baird.

ARITHMETIC CONTEST

Baird Team, composed of Marjorie Boren, Reeves Hickman and Joe Biunt, First.

MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST

Dorothy Boydston, 1st Place..... Baird.
Anita Hart, 2nd Place..... Baird.
Elizabeth Reed, 3rd Place..... Baird.

ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

Nina Mae Butler, 1st place..... Clyde.
Inez Bennett, 2nd place..... Baird.

SPELLING SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Mildred Butler, 1st place..... Clyde.
Ara Elder, 2nd place..... Baird.
Meda Houston, 3rd place..... Clyde.

SPELLING JR. HIGH SCHOOL

Thelma Louise Boatwright, 1st place..... Baird.
Bonnie Belle James, 2nd place..... Baird.
Thelma Young, 3rd place..... Clyde.

SPELLING SUB. JR. HIGH SCHOOL

Clarence Hammons, 1st place..... Baird.
Mary Joe Hart, 2nd place..... Baird.

DEBATES HIGH SCHOOL

Boys Division
Baird, 1st Place. James Jackson, Vermon Johnson, Debating Team.

Girls Division
Baird, 1st Place. Elizabeth Boren, Jacqueline Stephens, Debating Team.

CLASS B SENIOR BOYS

One Mile Relay
No Entry.

100 Yard Dash
Favor Eula 11 4-5 5
Cunningham Putnam 3
Farmer Eula 2

220 Yard Low Hurdle
Clements Putnam 36 5
Langley Putnam 3

440 Yard Dash
No Entry.

220 Yard Dash
Farrar Eula 27 4-5 5
Farmer Eula 3

One Mile Run
No Entry.

120 Yard High Hurdle
Langley Putnam 21 4-5 5

50 Yard Dash
Farrar Eula 6 1-5 5
Cunningham Putnam 3
Farmer Eula 2
Buchanan Putnam 1

Running Broad Jump
Farrar Eula 17 5
Farmer Eula 15-10 3
Meeks Eula 14-8 2

Running High Jump
Meeks Eula 5-2 5
Langley Putnam 5-1 3
Clements Putnam 5- 2
Farrar Eula 4-10 1

CLASS B SENIOR BOYS

880 Yard Run
Buchanan Putnam 2-15-2-5 5
Yarbro Putnam 2-15-2-5 3
Farmer Eula 9-6 5
Langley Putnam 3
Clements Putnam 2
Javelin Throw
Clements Putnam 76-5 5
Harris Putnam 75-8 3

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AN INTERESTING MEETING OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HELD NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

One of the most enthusiastic meetings that has ever been held at the Chamber of Commerce, was held Monday night. All those present expressed their willingness to get behind the Chamber of Commerce and help it in every way possible to put over all projects for the betterment of the City of Baird.

At the meeting a letter from Knoch and Fowler, an engineering firm of Dallas, was read in which they outlined a plan whereby they would put the system in first class working order and secure an abundant supply of water for the city. The plan was gone into thoroughly and everyone present expressed themselves as being of the opinion that the proposition was a fair one.

After the general meeting the Board of Directors was called together and Judge L. L. Blackburn was elected President and H. H. Shaw, Vice President. The dates for the Callahan County Fair were also set for September 16-17 and 18. It was decided that the second Monday in each month will be an open meeting for all of the members of the Chamber of Commerce.

DALLAS TRADE EXCURSION

The Special train with one hundred leading business men, of Dallas, will arrive in Baird from the west at 1:05 p. m. Wednesday, April 21st and remain twenty-five minutes. Baird business men want to meet these folks to trade with them, if we are not all ready doing so. Dallas is the greatest city in North Texas, and has more whole sale houses than any interior city in Texas.

THE METHODIST CHURCH Cal C. Wright, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 O'clock. There were 302 present last Sunday, let us do our best to go on toward the 350 mark next Sunday.

Preaching at 11 o'clock. Stay for Church.

Jr. League at 2:30 o'clock.

Sr. League at 7 o'clock.

At 7:45 o'clock the Presiding Elder, Rev. W. E. Lyon, will preach. After the evening service the 2nd Quarterly Conference will be held. We want you to remain for the Conference.

You are invited to worship with us.

SENIOR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM

March 28, 1926

Topic—"The Gospel in the Near East Scripture—"Isaiah 54:11-17. Leader—Salome Alexander.

Song Service.

Sentence Prayer.

"Tragic Conditions in the Near East" Nina McFarlane.

"What is Being Done for the Near East" Ressa Faye Enoch.

Reading—Margie Wood.

"Jesus in the East—Eva Reed.

Song "Jesus Saves" and "Tell It Where ever You Go."

Prayer and Benediction.

Come be with us, the Christian Endeavor needs you and you need the Christian Endeavor.

Mr. J. F. Boren, Mr. L. L. Blackburn and Judge, B. L. Russell, went to Abilene Wednesday evening, they were Judges in the school Debate between Abilene, Wichita Falls and Amorilla High School. They were accompanied by Missis Elizabeth Boren and Jacqueline Stephens, of the Baird High School Debating Team.

Miss Margaret Wood, visited friends in Big Springs, this week.

COL. GEORGE W. SYMONDS LEFT WEDNESDAY, ON A TRIP TO EAST TEXAS

Col. George W. Symonds left Wednesday for Nocochoches, where he goes on a visit to old friends, Mrs. Ada Johnson and family. He intended to stop over in Dallas and see his old time friend Col. S. P. Cochran, with who he served in the U. S. Revenue Service with some fifty years ago. Col. Symonds commenced work on The Star about the last day of February, 1920, six years ago and has been regular at work here since that time. Col. Symonds had a severe case of the flu at Odesa, Texas, and had just recovered when he came to work on The Star, and every winter since save one perhaps, had a recurrence of that disease, some time light and some times sever, but the longest time, until this last attack, that he was unable to work, was two weeks. He became ill on Monday before Christmas and has been unable to work but little since, none since about the middle of February. We believe that a change of climate would help him recover his health and so advised him and his physician agreed.

In our forty years of newspaper work, we have had all sorts of printers good, bad, black smiths and idlers, but we never had a more faithful employe than Col. Symonds. While we have had many printers that could set more type, none ever equalled Col. Symonds as an all-round printer. He had had wide experience as a newspaper man that makes his services valuable in any printing office, and we hope that he will secure employment more suitable to his talents and age. He was 81 years old last December and has had much experience as a reporter on and correspondent for some of the largest metropolitan papers.

Col. Symonds has improved in health more than his friends had any reason to hope for 2 months ago and we sincerely hope his sojourn in East Texas, will improve his health and give him employment that his wide experience as a newspaper man deserves. The best wishes, of many warm friends which he made during his stay in Baird, especially The Star force, with whom he worked so long and well, goes with Col. Symonds.

Mrs. John Hancock is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Coran W. Yates, in Dallas, this week. Mrs. Yates was formerly Miss Novilla Hancock, and was married to Dr. Coran W. Yates in Dallas, on April 3, 1926. Miss Novilla had been working as a stenographer in Dallas, for a year or more.

Morris Bennett, returned home Wednesday from Abilene, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis some two weeks ago. He is getting along nicely, his many friends will be glad to learn.

Miss Gladys Eastham left Saturday for Lamesa, where she will enter the Lamesa Hospital as a student nurse. Miss Lucy Fay Alvord, a former Baird girl, is a nurse in the same hospital.

Mrs. C. C. Shelton, and little son, and daughter, Boyce and Dorothy Jean, returned to their home in Abilene Tuesday, after a weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. R. D. Williams and family.

Mrs. C. W. Conner, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Graves, at San Antonio, Texas.

Miss Bess Works, of El Paso, will be home on the Sunshine Special Saturday morning to spend a few weeks with her mother, and other relatives.

Mrs. Cassie Sims, of Chicago, Ill, is visiting her aunt and cousin, Mesdames, W. R. Wade and E. R. Beck, at Mrs. Beck's home, east of Baird.

THE OIL ACTIVITIES NEAR BAIRD INCREASING, MANY NEW LOCATIONS ARE BEING MADE

Leases are in demand at this time, several of the larger companies are purchasing acreage and everything indicates that Baird and vicinity will have an oil field close by.

The Mee & Acres well on C. B. Snyder survey 4, is flowing at the rate of 40 barrells per day.

Mee & Acres, Snyder No. 2, drilling. The Mouray Oil Company, has reached he pay sand on the E. L. Finley fee, Survey 75, B. O. H., casing is being set and the Co. expects to drill in Saturday morning. They have a nice show of both oil and gas at 2245 feet.

J. K. Hughes Development Co., drilling at 550 feet on the Will Cutbirth land, South of Baird.

Roser & Pendleton, Inc., are moving material to the A. E. Young location, Survey 3, B. B. & R. R. Co.

Transcontinental Oil Co., L. J. Gorush No. 1, drilling at 450 feet.

Gibson & Johnson, Mrs. R. D. William Survey 62, Location.

INCREASED OUT-PUT OF CHEVROLET CARS FOR MARCH

With a total of 65,041 automobiles produced during March, the Chevrolet Motor Company smashed all previous monthly records for a single month's production of modern 3-speed transmission motor cars by any automobile manufacture.

A new manufacturing record is practically assured for April production.

Originally the March schedule was set for 57,500 cars. It was increased when demands from dealers indicated sales would be far ahead of the proposed schedule.

The total March production, with 25 working days in the month, averaged over 2,601 cars daily, and represents a total increase in production over March, 1925, of 23,658 when 41,393 cars were manufactured.

The two preceding months of January and February also set records. In January 1926, 46,182 units were produced, three times the cars made in January, 1925. In February 1926, 51,393 cars were made, nearly twice the production of February, 1925.

An unprecedented and steady demand during the winter months for the new improved Chevrolet models is responsible for the setting of new production figures, which have kept night and day shifts at the factory working at high pressure.

Mr. J. O. Hall, who has been very ill at his ranch on the Bayou, for several weeks, is some-what improved and left Monday morning for his home, in Vineta, Oklahoma, accompanied by his wife and two daughters, Miss Janie Hall and Mrs. Loutie Owens. Dr. R. L. Griggs accompanied them as far as Fort Worth, where Dr. Bagley, the family physician from Vineta met them and accompanied them to their home. Mr. Hall's many friends here, hope, that in spite of his advanced age and prolonged illness, he will again recover his health.

Mr. M. S. Johnson, formerly of Cleburne, has bought the Blue Arrow Oil Station from George Hall, and has taken charge of the business. Mr. Johnson is a progressive young man and we welcome him to Baird. He has had a number of years of experience in his line of business. He will be glad to have the people of Baird and vicinity to call at his place. He is selling all tires at cost. See his ad in this issue.

Lots of rain has fallen at Baird the past week. No trouble to rain now. The rains are needed for stock water, which has been scarce in this section. Vegetation is putting on a beautiful coat of green and looks like spring, but yesterday morning with themometor 38 felt mighty like winter again.

BURIATS MUST STOP STEALING OF WIVES

Marriage Laws in Siberia Have Been Changed.

Washington.—Marriage isn't what it used to be in Siberia. One of the latest laws reported to the outside world provides three years' imprisonment for any Buriat who, following the customs of his fathers, steals the woman of his choice. The matter is complicated by the reported preference of the women to be stolen rather than to be asked for or bought.

"The Buriats are true children of nature when not influenced by outside cultures," says a bulletin from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographical society. "When the Russians came upon them on the banks of Lake Baikal in the sixteenth century many of them made their living wholly by hunting and fishing, while the majority had only progressed one more step in their journey from natural conditions, being nomad stock raisers.

Nature Worshipers at Heart.

"A little handful of Buriats, after contact with Russian colonists, have become agriculturists; and remarkably good agriculturists at that, even surpassing the average Russian farmer. But the great majority still make their living close to unmodified nature, as herders and hunters.

"It is in their religious life that their love of nature makes itself most deeply felt. Many are frankly Shamanists—nature worshipers. Those nearest Mongolia profess Lamaism. But nature worship underlies the rites of all of them; the sky, the mountains, the rivers, the rain, the wind—all are peopled for them by gods. Even the nominally Christian Buriats nearest the shores of Lake Baikal insist that "the Holy sea" doesn't like to be called "lake," and that when so insulted it will become stormy and turbulent, perhaps destroying shipping.

"The nomadic Buriats, near the Mongolian border, have many traits in common with their kinsmen the Mongols. They are like them in appearance, live for the most part in "yurtas" or skin huts, raise cattle and sheep and are excellent horsemen. The typical well-to-do Buriat and his horse are inseparable companions during life; and an ancient custom demands that the horse be tied to his owner's grave to starve and so accompany him in death. The heirs of the deceased usually manage to get around this custom, however, either by substituting a worn-out hack for the good saddle horse, or by tying the latter with a weak thong. When the horse escapes and trots back to his fellows they say that it is 'the will of heaven' that he live. The Buriat horses are remarkable for their endurance, often trotting fifty and sixty miles without a pause, and showing no fatigue at the journey's end.

"Buriats are so wedded to the yurtas that many who have followed Russian customs and built permanent huts, leave a smoke hole in the center of the roof (as in a yurtas) and build their fires in the center of the floor. They are fond of display, and the more prosperous have rugs on floor and walls, and wear silken robes. They are as inveterate smokers as the Burmese, and as in Burma even small children smoke. Tea drinking is also a common habit. The Buriat man of affairs wears a broad silk girdle, in which he thrusts his pipe and teacup, that these necessities may be ever at hand.

Brides Have Fur Dowries.

"Only a small group of Buriats have practiced the theft of their wives. One common custom is for families that have both sons and daughters to exchange girls as wives for their respective sons. If the make-up of the families does not permit exchanges, a wife is in effect bought, usually by a gift of cattle. The bride's dowry usually more than offsets the price, however. In some cases the dowries are furs worth many thousands of dollars.

"The old Siberian province of Trans-Baikalia, east of the great lake, is the region in which most of the Buriats live. This is considered the most beautiful part of Siberia, a land of alternating forests and steppes. The soil is permanently frozen, although the immediate surface thaws out in summer. Agriculture is not possible over much of the Buriat country, but the shallow soil permits grazing activities.

"In the forested regions the tree roots penetrate the soil only a few inches but grow far horizontally. Many of these poorly anchored trees are overturned by the wind; and a characteristic feature of the country is supplied by the great rough disks of roots of the fallen trees towering almost as high as their upright fellows."

White Collie Is Cal's

Closest Companion

Washington.—One of President Coolidge's closest companions is a dog—Rob Roy, the snow-white collie which has supplanted the Harding

White House.

During the two years he has had the run of the executive mansion Rob Roy has worked himself into the affections of the president. Frequently when his master returns to his office after luncheon he trots along to take a snooze in front of the fireplace, a curl-up in a leather chair at the President's elbow, or look out of the window, yearning probably for a run around the yard or out into the street with dogs that don't have to observe White House etiquette.

DIG UP TOWER AS LARGE AS BABYLON

Discovered by Scientists in Ancient Kish.

Chicago.—D. C. Davies, director of the Field museum, received a report from the scientists of the Field museum and Oxford university who are unearthing temples and towers in the vast ruins of the ancient city of Kish.

With a corps of 150 men Prof. Stephen Langdon is attacking an enormous group of mounds in what was central Kish, when the city flourished as the capital of the world's earliest civilization.

There preliminary excavations have uncovered the remains of at least three temples and two towers, the latter as large as the historic Tower of Babylon, the report states.

A mystery statue of a headless woman, with hands clasped in a manner unlike that of the previously known Sumerian custom, was found in the debris of one of the towers.

On the back of the right shoulder of the figure is engraved an inscription in seven lines, of which the first two are hopelessly eroded. While the script indicates the pre-Sargonid period and points to the age of the late kingdom of Kish, 2850, B. C., the style of dress indicates a later period, Professor Langdon stated.

MEASURES TIME



Does your watch run erratically? Think of the Riefler astronomical clock at the United States bureau of standards, Washington, the "yardstick" by which the accuracy of all types of watches and clocks the country over are tested. Enclosed in an air-tight chamber, pendulum working in a partial vacuum, it is so regulated electrically that it never goes wrong, but tells what is wrong with other timepieces.

Brilliant Student

New Haven, Conn.—Dana Yung Kwai, whose father is connected with the Chinese legation, Washington, is the most brilliant senior at Sheffield scientific school, Yale, by vote of the class. He has made his Y in swimming and won prizes for history, chemistry, drawing, engineering, mathematics and physics.

Perfect Greek God

New York.—William Wright, a real butter and egg man from Dunstant Corner, Maine, is regarded by sculptors for whom he has posed as a perfect specimen of a Greek god. He wants his address concealed while he is in town because of many mash notes he received after posing for a statue of Adam.

SCHOOL AND OIL STIRS NAVAJOS

Wealth Enables Them to Buy Civilization.

San Juan Indian Agency, Ariz.—Oil and education are leaving the stamp of their influence on the Navajo Indians.

Wealth from the one is enabling them to "buy" civilization, and education teaches desires. Soon, it is to be expected, the Navajos will be as affluent as the Osages in Oklahoma.

The Indian agency has been kept busy providing schools for the brown-skinned Navajo youngsters. A. H. Kneale, superintendent of the reservation, reports the San Juan school capacity was doubled in the last year, and 650 children now are taught the ways of the white man. The San Juan schools teach only six grades. Three hundred and fifty higher students are scattered in Indian institutions throughout the West.

Most of the first-graders have never been out of sight of their own "hogans"—family dwellings. They have never worn shoes nor hats, never eaten at a table, nor ever seen a stove, picture, newspaper or chair.

"The children have never eaten what a civilized person would call a meal," Mr. Kneale said. "They have thrived on beef and horse meat, goats' milk and corn cakes, served on the dirt floors of the 'hogans.' They do not know what sanitation and hygiene are, and they have not seen the simplest tools that make civilized people comfortable. But they learn quickly."

The Navajos have a natural aptitude for agriculture and stock raising. Far back in history they were not famous as warriors, but as tillers of the soil. Today they are shepherds, shepherds of 170,000 individually owned sheep. The name Navajo was given by the Spaniards and means "people of large fields."

Mr. Kneale said the adults were quickly taking up the civilization the new generation takes home from school. Modern machinery is being used for farming and the "hogans" are being transformed into houses.

The oil which now is pouring wealth into the laps of the Navajos was discovered four years ago, but inaccessibility prevented rapid development. Thirty-six wells have since been drilled, most of them good producers. A small pipeline has been completed to Farmington, N. M. A larger pipeline is projected. The Navajos receive a royalty of 12½ per cent.

Sir Oliver Lodge Claims

Radio Problem Is Solved

London.—The Evening Standard says that, after three years of research, Sir Oliver Lodge, the eminent scientist, has solved the problem of the wireless "howler" or oscillator, which has baffled experts throughout the world.

Briefly, the paper says, the discovery will insure perfect reception without aerial tuning, thus avoiding the use of reaction (regeneration). It will not add to the cost of new sets, but will mean the alteration of existing receivers.

Sir Oliver expects to publish the results of his activities soon.

Pigeon Steals Ride in Auto to Deliver Message


Washington.—The navy's pet pigeon story about a carrier bird that went away from a Canal Zone station for a year and then returned to duty was capped in an official report from San Diego of an aerial messenger which stole a 40-mile automobile ride to deliver its message. The San Diego pigeon arrived at the navy station there perched on an automobile driven by Mrs. Evelyn Johnson of San Diego, who said it had boarded the machine at Oceanside, 40 miles away. It drew rations, rested a bit and then took the air to make its home port at a nearby naval aviation station under its own power.

'Gators Eat Dynamite; Halt War on Lizards

Beaumont, Texas.—War on alligators in the marsh district of Cameron parish, Louisiana, has been called off temporarily since it has developed that dynamite missing from the camp of oil prospectors making seismic tests has been eaten by the 'gators.

A post mortem on one of the big lizards revealed several sticks in his stomach and trappers are apprehensive of the results should a bullet come in contact with one of these choice morsels of alligator dessert.

The saurians are being killed as a protective measure against destruction of muskrats, which are valuable for their fur crop.



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CURSE WASHES AWAY MOST OF KASKASKIA

Illinois First Capital Rapidly Disappearing.

Kaskaskia, Ill.—In fulfillment of a legendary Indian curse, the waves of the Mississippi river, lapping away most of the site of old Kaskaskia—Illinois' first capital—have destroyed the hope of the Illinois State Historical society of placing a marker there.

With practically all of the ancient streets of the village covered by the rippling expanse of the "Father of Waters," only a small island remains to mark what was once the capital of all the territory between the Alleghenies and the Rockies. The island yearly grows smaller.

The historical society succeeded in securing a brick from the old capitol building in which the first territorial and state legislatures met.

In its disappearance, tradition has it that a legendary Indian curse has been fulfilled. Situated on a small peninsula at the mouth of the Kaskaskia or Okaw river, which joins the Mississippi river within a short distance, the site was made an island in 1881 when the two rivers met behind the town.

History of the Curse.

The story of the curse has its beginning two centuries ago when the French emigrated from Canada and came to Kaskaskia to settle among the Indians. Tradition tells how Jean Benard, his wife and ten-year-old daughter Marie, came with them. As the village grew Benard prospered as a trader and his daughter grew more beautiful each day. Benard grew wealthy and was the leading citizen of the settlement.

The legend tells of the numerous suitors who were rejected by Marie firmly but politely, until one evening she set eyes on a stalwart Indian youth, one of the converts of the village.

The Indian boy had endeared himself to both his tribe and the whites by his unassuming but enterprising ways. Jean Benard, seeing the promising youth about the village, took him into the trading business with him.

Marie fell in love with her father's protegee, much to the amazement of her parents. Indignantly Benard severed his business connections with the boy and everything possible was done to discourage the budding romance.

Marie's suitor left the village and for a number of years was not heard of. Marie apparently had outgrown the affair when suddenly the boy appeared and the two eloped. A searching party set out and three days later found them in a camp down the Mississippi river.

Sets Indian Adrift.

Benard was given the privilege to do as he liked with the boy. He tied the Indian to a raft, face toward the sky, and set him adrift in the river. As the raft floated out from shore the doomed Indian cursed Benard and Kaskaskia and asked that he be killed by his own white people and that the river destroy the village. The girl was placed in a convent, where she died.

Benard was later killed by a Frenchman in a duel, the legend says, and the river completed the fulfillment of the curse by engulfing old Kaskaskia.

More credulous people still believe

that the ghost of the Indian appears on the stormy nights, floating face upward on the waves over the vanished village.

Older than St. Louis or New Orleans, this early mission post, which provided a resting place for voyagers and was the first territorial and state capital of Illinois, lives only in history as a place to hang a story on, or material for a poet's dream.

U. S. to Sell Island Once Pirate's Haunt

Washington.—The successful bidder for the Gasparilla Island military reservation, located near the entrance to Charlotte harbor, in Lee county, Florida, recently offered for sale by the War department, will be the possessor of a real pirate's lair. Whether he will find pirate treasure hidden away in a cave or buried leagues below the surface is another matter.

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PARKER TO RE-BUILD BANK-HEAD HIGHWAY

The following news item, reproduced from the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Saturday, April 3rd.

Indorsement of the proposal to rebuild the Bankhead Highway a distance of 20 miles, extending from Weatherford to Millsap, was given by Hal Mosley, chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, here Friday morning. He told the highway committee of the Chamber of Commerce at its meeting that he favored such a step and would entertain proposals at the next meeting of the commission.

Mosley and Homer D. Wade, assistant manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the committee and after hearing the proposals presented by Wade, Mosley stated that he thought the stretch of highway referred to should receive the aid of the commission. He assured the committee that he would be glad to confer with a delegation of Weatherford people and Wade at Austin next Tuesday.

WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

West Texas Chamber of Commerce

STAMFORD—Rules for the "My Town" speaking contest have been compiled in pamphlet form and are ready for distribution. Persons interested may obtain copies of this pamphlet by writing the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Stamford. CHILDRESS—Immense deposits of guano are believed to have been located in Bat Cave near here. Geologists who have investigated the deposit declare that at least a million tons of guano exist here and that it will be commercially profitable to mine the deposits.

ARCHER CITY—The Archer County Chamber of Commerce held its quarterly banquet here. E. H. Whitehead, publicity manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was principal speaker. The Archer Chamber was just recently organized but

already has more than one hundred members.

BIG SPRINGS—C. T. Watson, formerly secretary of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce has been engaged as secretary of the Big Springs Chamber of Commerce to succeed Miss Nell Hatch, resigned.

SAN ANGELO—Unusually fine crops of lambs are reported by sheepmen throughout the region who declare that the births of twin lambs exceed all previous records. A great year for the sheep and goat raisers is anticipated.

RISING STAR—An oil boom of great proportion has struck this city and region. Unusually high gravity oil from shallow depths has been found here and a great period of development is under way.

SNYDER—A five year farming program has been adapted by the farmers of Scurry County.

EL PASO—A new steel bridge over the Rio Grande is to be constructed here soon as a result of favorable action by congress on a bill introduced by Congressman Hudspeth authorizing the bridge.

ABILENE—A constructive farm program for Taylor County was formulated at a meeting of bankers, farmers and Abilene business men held here. R. Q. Lee, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and other eminent men spoke at the meeting.

CROSS PLAINS—R. W. Haynie, of Abilene, was formally announced as candidate for the presidency of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The announcement was made by Mayor, C. E. Coombs, of Abilene, who presented Mr. Haynie at the banquet during the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce held here.

PECOS—Citizens of the Pecos Valley are elated over the action of Congress passing the bill for Red Bluff. The bill is now before the Senate and it is expected that it will pass that body soon.

LUBBOCK—Texas Teck is planting many ornamental shade trees of several varieties about the college grounds. This is a part of the landscape problem of the college.

FLOYDADA—The Floyd County Fair is assured for this year. It will be held in Floydada in September.

RALLS—A new ice factory has been placed in operation here by the West Texas Utilities Company. It is the first plant of its kind to be operated in Crosby County.

PADUCAH—More than \$1700 has been raised by the Paducah Chamber of Commerce to be used in pushing a constructive agriculture program for Cottle County.

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WILEY TISDALE,
of Baird.
W. C. WHITE.

For County Treasurer:

MRS. ROY JACKSON,
Re-election.

For District Clerk:

MRS. KATE HEARN,
Re-election.

For County Superintendent:

F. E. MITCHELL,
Atwell.
B. C. CHRISMAN,
Re-election.

For Tax Assessor:

W. Y. CLEVELAND,
Baird.
C. W. CONNER,
Baird.
H. A. (HUB) WARREN,
Baird.
R. J. (Ray) Boen,
Rowden.

For Tax Collector:

W. T. (Willie) WILCOXEN,
Cottonwood.
MELVIN G. FARMER,
W. J. EVANS.

For County Clerk:

S. ERNEST SETTLE,
Re-election.

For Sheriff:

G. H. CORN,
Re-election.
C. E. BRAY.
R. L. (Bob) DILLARD,
of Clyde.

EVERETT (EV) HUGHES,

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1:

VIRGIL F. JONES,
Baird.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:

M. A. SHELTON,
Route No. 2, Clyde.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:

J. H. CARPENTER,
Re-election.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:

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PERSONALS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Poe, of Oplin, on April 7, 1926, a son.

Miss Agnes Eastham, a deputy in the office of the County Clerk, at Abilene, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Eastham.

Mrs. Henry Estes, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, of Fort Worth, spent several days the past week, with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes.

H. O. Tatum, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, made a business trip to Austin the first of the week.

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Conservation of Texas Waters.



Nature is wise in her provision for man, but man is wasteful in the use of nature's gifts. A few years ago the streams of Texas were regarded as valuable only for providing water for stock and fishing for idlers. Since Texas has become a farming country we find that we need the waters of every stream for irrigating our fertile valleys. The corporations are seeing the great value in these waters that are now going to waste and they are bidding for "water rights" along Texas rivers. The people should be slow to part with these rights, for the result will be that in time they will merely be farming for the corporations that will exact every cent for water that the farmers can pay. Great storage reservoirs should be built wherever possible, but they should belong to the people who own the adjacent lands and not to corporations. Texas needs a constitutional provision safeguarding its waters from corporate control, otherwise the streams will soon be under the control of exacting corporate interests to whom the land owners will virtually be enslaved.

Irrigation Districts the Remedy.

Whatever corporations are able to do, the people themselves can do under good management. Instead of giving the streams of Texas to private or corporate interests for the exploitation of land owners, the laws should be so amended that only the people who own lands may use the water. They may organize irrigation districts under existing laws, but individuals and corporations are on equal footing with land owners, and the public is slow to vote bonds for irrigation projects. Our laws governing water control could not have been written more to the liking of those who want to acquire this great source of wealth. As the laws now stand, unless the streams are soon saved to the people by the organization of irrigation districts, our waters will soon pass into the ownership of corporations from which it will be impossible to wrest them. Right now greedy speculators have their eyes on every stream in Texas and are using every effort to get possession of them.

Texas Needs a New Constitution.

The constitution of Texas is out of date. It was framed for a country almost without population and that needed but few laws. Lands were then worth very little and exploitation of the public by individuals and corporations was almost unknown. Public office was regarded as a public trust and not as a private snap. The State officials, and especially the governor, were given large authority in the belief that such authority would not be abused. The powers of the governor have been increased from time to time by legislative enactment until he has, through his appointive boards and commissions, almost entire control of the State government. During his term of office he is an almost unrestrained dictator, able to bring all the strength of the State government to carry out his will, whether it be good or bad. Texas is in the unenviable position of being at the mercy of its governing head. We have exalted official rights and privileges and have lowered those of the individual. Texas needs a new declaration of principles and a constitution for their enforcement that will restore the ordinary citizen to his former rights as a citizen and that will make its officials servants of the people and not their masters.

Hi-Jacking a Popular Profession.

Crime in every form appears to have become a popular pastime in Texas. We no longer speak of a "crime wave," but now have a "crime inundation." Criminals no longer fear grand juries, stand in awe of courts, or are terrorized by prisons. All these apparently are accepted as the possible consequences of the business, retarding it temporarily at times, but not seriously handicapping it. Criminals serve terms or are pardoned merely to resume their chosen life work, and a few influential friends with money may almost insure escape from punishment for crime of any kind.

Crime Should Be Punished.

The public has become too lax in law enforcement; too much sympathy is being shown convicts. So-called "prison reform" methods have resulted in a maudlin sentiment that has given encouragement to crime. Prisoners are no longer reformed, but spend their short terms in prison studying new methods in their profession. Prisons have become crime schools, open forums in the discussion of methods, under the leadership of the most expert in their several lines. The most seasoned criminals among them are the greatest heroes. We need to cultivate mercy, but in failing to punish crime we are lending it public support.

The World Gets Better.

Those who read the crime reports often conclude that the world is going to the bow-wows. Despite the boldness with which crime is committed, the criminals are comparatively few in number. The vast majority of people are improving in intellect, in morals, in religion, in all things that go to make the world better. The world is a happier place in which to live than it was a half century or so ago; the people get more joy out of life than they once did. They are doing more to make others happy.

Father of 13 Pups Cares for Six Kittens

New York.—There are 13 more hungry mouths to feed on the top floor down at 163 Houston street. And the worst of it is the mother must assume the whole burden.

The father, it happens, is one of those Rip Van Winkles who is willing to assume plenty of the burdens of others, but who will never lift a hand to help in his own home.

While Fallside Peggy, pure-bred German police dog and proud mother of the 13, is guarding and feeding the puppies down on Houston street, her prodigal mate, Lightnin', is "mothering" six two-month-old kittens up at the One Hundred and Fourth field artillery armory at Sixty-eighth street and Broadway.

Lightnin', the father, is the much-prized mascot of the One Hundred and Fourth field artillery. He is scheduled to appear in the films some time soon.

Rejected for Civil War Duty, Now in Good Health

Danvers, Mass.—Though rejected as a volunteer with the Union forces of the Civil war because physicians said he was "not strong enough," S. Jaazaniah C. Pierce recently entered upon his one hundred and fourth year with cheery good health and an active interest in the changed world about him.

Impaired hearing and sight keeps him in the house of his daughter, Mrs. Leland J. Ross, but he is up and about every day and enjoys his newspapers read to him. His father was a veteran of the War of 1812.

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DEER DRIVE WILL LAST TWO YEARS

50,000 to Be Brought Out for Butchering.

Anchorage, Alaska.—A great reindeer drive which will take two years and for spectacularity rival the big trail movements of Texan herds in frontier days will be undertaken in an effort to revivify an industry now menaced by lack of marketing facilities.

Under the direction of George Ashenfelter many thousand head of both government and privately owned deer will be driven overland from the Arctic to Broad pass on the Alaskan railroad. The drive may be as large as 50,000.

A similar plan conceived two years ago by the bureau of education was abandoned for lack of funds.

Ashenfelter, a large herd owner, will sponsor the drive, which will mean not only the removal of the deer from the north to a territory reached by rail, but also means a more or less wholesale migration of Eskimo herd owners, most of whom have matriculated in the government schools of husbandry.

"There is not an Eskimo in the Arctic who can support himself on his herd of reindeer," said Ashenfelter, "owing to lack of marketing facilities. The best they can get now for their animals is \$10 to \$15 a head with the scant population of their country for a market. On this he can not provide the necessities of life for himself and family."

Herds of educated owners total more than 125,000, but if only 50,000 of this number should participate it would create a series of herds stretching from the coast of Bering sea eastward for 100 miles. The drive, expected to start in the early winter months, would be held at the Yukon river until it freezes and then shoved into the headwaters of the Kuskokwim river and later across country to Broad pass, a distance of 300 miles.

Experience has shown that the mortality rate of fawns is too great there when an attempt is made to drive them in the spring—before they are strong enough to stand the hard travel. The route selected is that used by the herds of caribous in their annual fall migrations across the Tanana valley and through Broad pass. Care will be taken to keep the deer and caribou separated because of the penchant of the wild animals to steal the domesticated does.

READING DEVICE



The invention of a device by which ordinary books will be rendered obsolete has just been announced by Rear Admiral Fliske, U. S. N., retired. The picture shows Admiral Fliske using the reading machine.

"Butter and Egg" Man Objects to Title, Sues

Minneapolis.—Contending that the term "Butter and Egg Man" is an insult to Minneapolis and to butter and egg dealers in general, Herman Klingelutz filed suit for \$100,000 damages against a vaudeville theater and Frankie Heath, an actress.

Klingelutz charged that he "suffered in his reputation in that his morale, integrity, character and intelligence have been assailed and ridiculed."

He said he was acting as a representative for about eighteen butter and egg dealers of Minneapolis.

The complaint against Miss Heath charges that in a song entitled "Butter and Eggs" she used "certain tones and gestures to convey that all dealers in butter and eggs were men of immoral and licentious character and thereby held up plaintiff and others similarly situated to hatred, contempt and ridicule."

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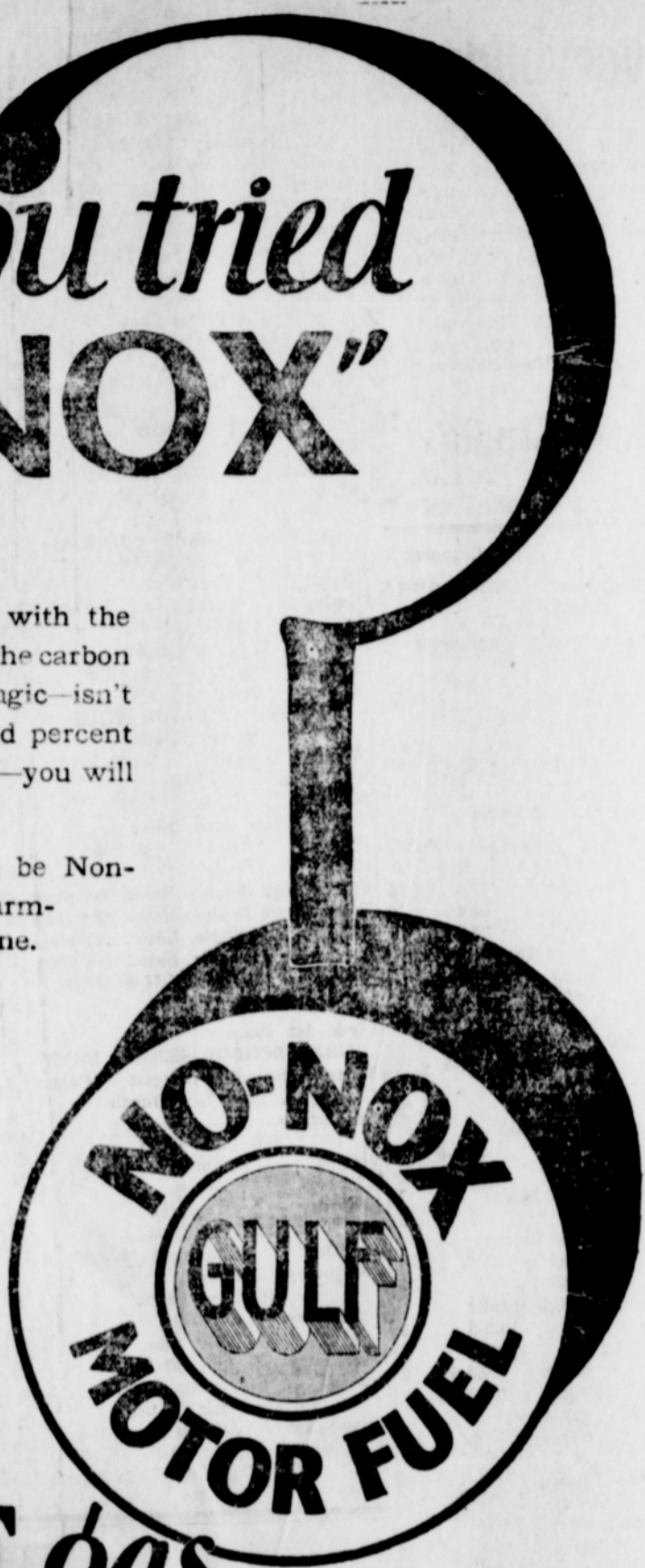
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SIX AMERICAN BANKS HAVE WOMEN CHIEFS

Other Financial Jobs Held by Feminine Aids.

New York.—Women have moved logically into banking as a profession, as six women bank presidents in different parts of the country today could testify, believes Miss Nina Marie Bruere, secretary of the Association of Bank Women.

"They are there naturally as a result of the increased economic independence of women and their increased need for drawing upon the bank," said Miss Bruere. "Although it has long been a popular theory that women are poor bankers—that is, that they are foolish spenders—yet statistics show that women in reality are the great economists of our country."

Miss Bruere, who is assistant secretary of the Central Union Trust company of New York, turned the pages of the association's roster and cited these additional bank positions held by women: Three vice presidents, one vice president and assistant cashier, four women on the boards of directors and others occupying all the remaining offices held by men.

All Done Within Ten Years.

"And all this has come in the ten years since Miss Virginia Furman, our dean of banking women here, through economic pressure entered the first bank to give a woman an executive position," says Miss Bruere. "Her success has paved the way for other women."

It is not unusual today to find women bankers facing women across mahogany desks in tastefully furnished little reception rooms that are becoming a part of every great metropolitan bank's equipment. On one side is the woman to whom banking is a profession and whose task it is to help the woman on the other side.

"The woman depositor must bank incidentally to her other work at home or in the world of public activities," Miss Bruere continued. "We learn that an enormous number of families are living on less than \$1,000 a year. In such families many women hold the purse strings, and no one can say that it does not take a sound economist to do the buying for a family of from three to five on such a budget."

"But the women who are themselves going out into business and professional life, and earning incomes that compare favorably with those of men, are the ones who need the facilities of the bank."

Why Bankers Took Action.

"Behind them are the women who run homes, the spenders and bookkeepers of family incomes. It was in recognition of their need for the services of a bank, and in appreciation of the fact that perhaps women could serve them better than men, that certain banks in New York tentatively took in their first women executives about ten years ago."

Asked if she thought women as well fitted as men to succeed in banking, Miss Bruere replied, "Certainly," and advised as preparation: "A major in economics at college, some study of law and a stiff course in banking and accounting."

The six woman bank presidents listed in the association are Miss Flora Buck, Farmers' State bank, Genoa, Ill.; Miss Emma Duerrwaechter, Germantown State, South Germantown, Wis.; Mrs. F. J. Runyan, First Woman's Bank of Tennessee, Clarksville, Tenn.; Mrs. B. B. Stephens, Bank of Aline, Aline, Okla.; Mrs. Cora A. Jipson, Jipson-Carter State, Blissfield, Mo., and Mrs. Jessie K. Taylor, Haddam State, Haddam, Kan.

Tailor-made Costumes

Among Dog's Necessities

New York.—Francie, a four-pound black and tan exponent of what the well-dressed dog will wear, arrived on the liner Olympic from France with his master and mistress, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney M. Williams of New York, who said Francie cost them \$4,000 a year.

The trip, Mrs. Williams said, was made to replenish Francie's wardrobe at a fancy tailor's shop in Paris. It included, she explained, spring styles, in sport clothes, with pockets for gloves and handkerchiefs; evening clothes, morning costumes, pajamas and other "necessities."

Francie, his mistress said, seldom drank, but appreciated good liquor in a mild highball at tea time. American bootleg, however, is offensive to Francie's taste.

She said she and Mr. Williams had four other dogs, the annual expense of which was \$23,000 a year.

Mrs. Williams explained that in figuring the annual expenses of her dogs she always included the money she spent on them for travel, hotel accommodations, food and wardrobes.

Yale's Beauty

New Haven, Conn.—The handsomest senior at Yale is Eddie Cottle of Buffalo, star halfback. He is also the most modest.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas
County of Callahan

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable 78th District Court of Wichita Falls Wichita County, on the 29th day of March 1926 by A. F. Keer, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars, and cost of suit, under a certain Judgment, in favor of A. C. Parks vs Hemisphere Oil & Gas Company and placed in my hands for service, I, G. H. Corn as Sheriff, of Callahan County, Texas, did, on the — day of April 1926, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Callahan County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided one-fourth interest in and to all of the minerals, including oil and gas, in, on and under the following described land and premises, to-wit:

The West half of the South-west one-fourth of Section 319 S. P. R. R. Co. lands.

The West half of the South-west one-fourth of Section 54, B. B. & Co. R. R. Co.

and levied upon as the property of Hemisphere Oil & Gas Company and that on the first Tuesday in May 1926, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Callahan County, in the city of Baird, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Hemisphere Oil & Gas Com-

pany. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once each week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Baird Star, a newspaper published in Callahan County.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of April 1926.

G. H. Corn,
Sheriff, Callahan County..

SON OF PEARY TO TAKE TRIP NORTH

May Follow in Footsteps of His Father.

New York.—Robert Peary, son of the North pole discoverer, is following in the footsteps of his father and hopes some day to become a great explorer.

Scientific studies now are claiming his attention at Lehigh university, but when June and vacation time roll around he will take his first trip northward with the Putnam-Williams expedition to Greenland to gather material for the newly completed Hall of Ocean Life of the American Museum of Natural History.

Young Peary is not taking the trip as a pleasure jaunt. Instead, he will be a full-fledged member and will have to do the work mapped out for him just as all others of the party.

The same man who was skipper of the vessel used by Peary on his successful North pole expedition will command the Morrissey on the Greenland trip—Capt. Bob Bartlett. The navigator, who has known of young Peary's plans, long has wanted him to make his first trip on the Morris-

sey. H. C. Raven, assistant curator of comparative and human anatomy at the museum, is leading the expedition, which was organized by George Palmer Putnam, the publisher, and provided for through a gift by Harrison Williams.

The white whale, sharks, seal and walrus are some of the specimens the party will bring back. Attempts will be made to take movies of the white whale in action, as there are no such photographs on record.

Frederick Limekiller and Van Campden Heßner will accompany the party as taxidermist and ichthyologist, respectively.

Knud Rasmussen, Danish explorer, also is expected to join the expedition. The youngest member will be Putnam's 12-year-old son, David.

Innocent Indian Freed After Serving 5 Years

Oklahoma City, Okla. — Edward Fluke, thirty, whose Indian stoicism caused him to serve five years in the Oklahoma penitentiary for a murder he did not commit, was pardoned by Gov. M. E. Trapp. Fluke, a quarter-blood Indian, was charged with the murder at Vinita of Harold Fry, a mail carrier, whose charred body was found in a partly burned haystack ten days after he disappeared in 1921.

Fry's motor car was located in possession of Fluke. The latter was arrested, but refused to talk. At his trial Fluke played the part of a silent observer, declined to testify and was convicted. He entered the penitentiary under life sentence.

Two years later Fluke made a statement accusing Levi Jenkins, Indian youth, of the killing. According to Fluke, he was in a motor party which included Fry and Jenkins. Fry resented a remark Jenkins made about a young woman. A quarrel followed,

in which Fry was killed.

Jenkins was arrested and convicted of the slaying. He went to the penitentiary in 1923, but Fluke stayed on, too.

The attorney general reported to the governor that Fluke's only crime apparently was in aiding Jenkins to escape. In pardoning him the governor said he believed he had been punished sufficiently for the lesser offense.

Without Food 44 Days, Quits Cage a Wreck

Berlin. — Herr Jolly, professional faster, established a record of 44 days of abstinence from food and was helped out of his glass cage, a physical wreck. He had beaten the world's record, held by Signor Mulatti of Italy, by one day. The new champion was eagerly received by a large crowd, including numerous physicians who have been interested in his case. Though unable to walk and speaking in a feeble voice, Jolly's mind seemed alert.

The floor of his cage was carpeted with cigarette butts and strewn with mineral water bottles. Jolly said that during the last three days he had been able to smoke only ten cigarettes a day since they affected his stomach.

The doctors on superficial examination found the faster's digestive organs entirely dormant and took him to a hospital, where he will be fed a liquid diet.

Jolly, who is twenty-five years old, did his first fasting when he was imprisoned during the French occupation of his Rhenish homeland. He went on a hunger strike and held out for 18 days.

On the present occasion when he entered his cage he weighed 130 pounds, and his weight after his fast was around 103.

The gross receipts of this exhibition amounted to \$45,000.

