

# The Baird Star.

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

VOLUME NO. 37.

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEB. 1, 1924.

NO. 9

## T. E. POWELL DEFENDANT

### In A Suit In The March District Court As Funny As The Plot Of A Comic Opera

Except that it has to do with that grimmest of all human happenings—death—the suit brought against Cashier Thomas E. Powell, of the First Guaranty State Bank of Baird to be tried at the coming March Term of the Callahan District Court, in which the Sovereign State of Texas, with Attorney General W. A. Keeling as chief prosecutor, aided and abetted by Assistant Attorney General Bruce W. Bryant and County Attorney Ben R. Russell, "wrest"—without any opposition that you could notice—from Mr. Powell, for the hereafter use and behoof of the Lone Star State, \$864.95, being the residue of the intestate estate of William Burns, who died suddenly in Baird, June 16, 1909, it is to laugh!

Mr. Powell was and is Temporary Administrator of this estate and has, figuratively speaking, been paying six per cent per annum interest on it all these years. He is perfectly willing to turn over this estate and the accumulated interest without any fuss, feathers or other flabdubbery, but—

"Nay! nay!" cries Texas, speaking through its handmaiden, The Law, "We Must Bring Suit!"

### MASONIC RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Baird Lodge, No. 522, A. F. & A. M.:

We, your committee, appointed to draft suitable resolutions touching the unexpected death of our late brother, C. E. Walker, beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, As the Seythe of Death entered the home of Mrs. C. E. Walker Wednesday evening, January 16th, 1924 and deprived her of her husband and her children of a father and Baird Lodge No. 522 of a loyal citizen and Mason; therefore, be it further

Resolved, That we tender his widow and the children of our deceased brother our heartfelt sympathy, and pray that the God of Heaven and Earth may watch over and protect them.

In his home he was an indulgent husband and father. In the field of business he was honest and upright. As a citizen he was a true optimist, friendly, courteous and considerate of the needs and wishes of others, yet free from the semblance of ostentation. In his death our town and State has lost a patriotic citizen and our lodge a loyal craftsman; be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be given the family of our deceased brother, under the seal of the Lodge, and a copy spread upon the minutes of the Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,  
C. B. Holmes,  
R. G. Powell,  
B. M. Brundage.

B. L. Boydston and Miss Mamie Morrison left the first of the week for the Eastern Markets to buy goods for the Boydston stores. They will visit St. Louis, Chicago and New York.

W. A. Hinds spent three days last week in Toyah, with his daughters, Mrs. Dee Davis and Mrs. Annie Ruhrop.

## NURSE CARTER'S SURVEY OF CALLAHAN'S SCHOOLS

Miss Stella Carter, the County Health Nurse, who is making a survey of Callahan's rural schools, finished her inspection of the Eula and Enterprise Schools last week. This week she is inspecting the schools at Denton and Oplin. Her reports for the two schools first named follow:

Enterprise School: No. inspected, 57; No. defective, 44; parent consultation, 1; pre school children, 2; underweight, 7 per cent or more, 8; overweight, 20 per cent or more, 5; deficient hearing, 7; deficient vision, 15; other eye defects, 6; defective teeth, 12; enlarged tonsils, 20; suspected adenoids, 5; germs, 4.

Eula School: No. inspected, 133; No. defective, 107; class talks, 3; health clubs organized, 3; parent consultation, 2; pre school children, 2; underweight, 7 per cent or more, 30; overweight, 20 per cent or more, 4; deficient hearing, 10; deficient vision, 12; other eye defects, 8; defective teeth, 52; enlarged tonsils, 55; suspected adenoids, 7; skin eruptions, 3.

## PIONEER WEST TEXAS RANCH WOMAN BURIED AT VAN HORN

Mrs. J. M. Daugherty, early day West Texas ranch woman, well known to all the old timers in Callahan County, died at El Paso Tuesday morning, January 22, and was laid at rest the following Thursday at Van Horn, where her daughter, Mrs. Will Neill, resides.

According to the Abilene Reporter, the Daugherty family came to that city among the first settlers. For many years they were among the leading ranch people of this section, and continued their connection with ranching in this section long after they removed to El Paso, which was a good many years ago.

The old Daugherty home in Abilene stood where the Cort Donnell residence now stands, at North Third and Orange Streets.

Mrs. Daugherty was the daughter of D. L. Middleton, a pioneer cowman. She herself was a typical woman of the Old West, taking an active part in ranch operations.

Old time residents of Abilene recall that Mrs. Daugherty often wore a man's hat, and that she was as familiar with ranching problems as any man; that she was the personification of all that was typical and lovable in the old-time pioneer rancher, and that her goodness of heart and kindness of disposition were never-failing.

Mrs. Daugherty's own ranch lands lie three miles north of Tye.

Mrs. Daugherty is survived by two other daughters, besides Mrs. Neill. They are Mrs. Lon Gray of Los Angeles, California, and Mrs. Frazier of Alpine.

## McINTYRE-JOHNSON NUPTIALS

Mr. Zack McIntyre and Miss Juanita Johnson, of Oplin, were married at the home of W. T. Johnson, near Oplin, Sunday, January 27th, Rev. Mr. Freeman performed the ceremony.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnson, and The Star wishes the young couple a future of health, wealth and happiness.

## POSTAL RECEIPTS

### Past Year At Baird Office Have Been Largest In Its His- tory Says Postmaster

Postmaster M. J. Holmes feels very jubilant over the net results of his first year's administration of the Baird Postoffice. Receipts during 1923 reached the highest mark in the history of the office, according to a review of the records. This, notwithstanding the fact that four or five years ago times were flush in this county because of high wages, good production and lively trading in oil stocks and leases.

Baird has had no boom the past year. In fact, many people thought last year was rather dull. It is gratifying, therefore, to note that business has kept steadily on, but in such a quiet way as to be almost imperceptible.

Not only have the postal receipts made a substantial increase, but all other cash items handled by the postoffice show an equal, or greater, increase, and the volume of mail handled the past year has more than doubled.

Likewise, the holiday business went far beyond any previous year. So, if the volume of business done in the postoffice is an indication of the general prosperity, Baird, with her surrounding territory, has little cause to complain.

An increase of a little more than \$300 over last year in postal receipts would raise the Baird office to a higher class, and, from the showing made thus far, in 1924, it is believed the mark will be reached.

## MRS. SUE FLOYD DAVIS DIES IN HOSPITAL AT BONHAM

Mrs. Sue Floyd Davis, wife of Rev. M. R. T. Davis, pastor of the Methodist Church at Ravenna, died in a hospital at Bonham on January 4th, following an operation. Mrs. Davis was a daughter of Capt. and Mrs. T. A. Floyd, early settlers of this county, living for many years at Belle Plaine, later moving to Baird. She was married to Rev. M. R. T. Davis, who was pastor of the Methodist Church here. She is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mrs. J. M. Fowler, of Electra; Mrs. Marlin Hurst, of Telephone, Texas, and Miss Tina Davis, who teaches school near Ravenna; her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Floyd, four sisters; Mrs. C. A. Woodriddle, of El Paso; Mrs. J. R. Williams, of Andrews; Mrs. W. E. Ryan, of Cleburne, and Miss Willie Floyd, of Abilene; and two brothers, T. H. Floyd, Jr. of Eagle Lake; and J. Douglas Floyd, of Abilene, who have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement. Mrs. Davis had been in ill health for some time, but her death came as a great shock to her family. Mrs. Davis comes of an old and historical family, being a direct descendant of Nancy Hart of Colonial fame, and a grand-daughter of the first teacher of Dallas county, the heroic pioneer, Mrs. Mary West, who was her maternal grandmother.

Mrs. Wade Harding and little daughter, Miss Margie Wade, of Cross Plains, are visiting their mother and grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Price and their grand and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland.

## PATSIIE TRYING TO FARM IN THE EULA SECTION

Eula, 1-28-'94.

Well, how is Uncle Billie? We are all busy, trying to farm. We are having an awful cold winter, but we haven't had any snow yet.

There is some sickness—lots of bad colds.

We have had a meeting running at Eula the past two weeks. Rev. Bruce Meadows, former pastor of the Baird Methodist Church, is conducting the meeting. The weather however, has handicapped the meeting somewhat.

I was awful sorry to hear of the deaths of C. E. Walker and John Fraser, both friends of mine. I had known John Fraser for about 34 years. He was a fine, manly man and I sure did like him.

I had known Mr. Walker ever since he came to Baird and considered him one of my best friends. Two good boys gone.

I see that over at Abilene they are making it very hard on Mr. Bootlegger. When we have men like Judge Ely and District Attorney Milburn Long at the head of our courts, Mr. Bootlegger, in time, will be a thing of the past. I take my hat off to both of those boys, for they have nerve to stay on the job.

Commissioner J. H. Carpenter of Eagle Cove, was in Eula doing some trading last week. Mr. Carpenter has done a lot of real work down in his precinct.

A. T. Young of Belle Plaine, is attending the meeting at Eula. Come again, Mr. Young. We are glad to have you with us.

J. F. Hampton was a business visitor to Clyde Saturday.

I will ring off for this time. Best wishes to one and all.

Patsie.

## SOPHOMORHS SHOWED THE FRESHMEN A GOOD TIME

The High School Sophomore Class entertained the Freshmen Class Friday night of last week. John Alexander was their host.

Those present were, from the 8th grade: Myrtle Barton, Pauline Dallas, Catherine Davis, Bessie Eastham, Jewel Grimes, Flossie Hotchkiss, Millie Morrison, Margie Sutphen, Frances Vestal, Burma Warren, Roberta Warren, Cecil Collins, N. L. Dickey, Wade Johnson, Lester Jones, Bill Melton and Ralph Short.

Those from the 9th grade were: Elizabeth Boren, Lois Brooks, Emma Burks, Melba Cutbirth, Opal Corn, Ida Mae Hunnicutt, Elzora Pruitt, John Alexander, Oliver Ashton, Howard Loveless and Britton Smartt.

Games were played and refreshments were served. "A good time was had by all."

Roy Stringer,  
Ninth Grade Class Reporter.

## PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Parent-Teacher Association will meet on next Thursday, Feb. 7th, at 3:30 p. m. at the School Auditorium. The First and Second Grades will render the program.

After the program a social hour will be spent. Light refreshments will be served.

## BALLOTS ON THEIR WAY

### From Baird To Washington City In The Mayfield-Peddy Sen- atorial Contest Now On

Two ballot gatherers, one representing Mayfield and the other Peddy, in the contest for wearing the toga from Texas now pending in the United States Senate arrived in Baird Wednesday evening and were received at Callahan's Temple of Justice by County Judge Victor E. Gilbert and County Clerk Grady G. Respass.

These visitors gathered up what was left of the ballots cast in this county in the last general election, and, after being sealed in web sacks by Postmaster M. J. Holmes, were shipped to Washington City yesterday morning. The postage on the shipment amounted to \$18, one-half of this amount being paid by Mr. Mayfield's representative and the other half by Mr. Peddy's.

The gatherer representing Senator Mayfield was S. E. Bigham of Beaumont; the one representing the contestant, Mr. Peddy, was R. H. Coffee of Vernon.

The locked (and unlocked) metal boxes, which have been stacked in the Court House lobby for some time, were too large to get into the special sacks brought by the gatherers, and Postmaster Holmes loaned them some web sacks, the sort used for parcel post and newspaper mail, and secured each sack with a postal lock.

This is a copy of the receipt given County Clerk Respass by the ballot gatherers:

Precinct No. 1, ballots destroyed; Precinct No. 2, box locked; Precinct No. 3, box locked, one package unlocked; Box No. 4, locked; Box No. 5, locked; Box No. 6, locked; Box 7, locked; Box No. 8, ballots destroyed; Box No. 9, locked; Box No. 10, ballots destroyed; Box No. 11, no election held.

Box No. 12, ballots destroyed; Box No. 13, locked; Box No. 14, done away by Court; Box No. 15, locked; Box No. 16, one package found in unlocked box; Box No. 17, locked; Box No. 18, locked; Box No. 19, locked.

One package found in unlocked box. County Clerk's election returns from Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19. No elections held in Precincts 11 and 14.

The ballots contained in the boxes from Precincts 1, 8, 10 and 12 were destroyed that the boxes might be used in the bond election held in Road District No. 1, which was prior to the issuance of the writ of injunction by Federal District Judge Wilson.

## FOUR JANUARY BIRTHS

Dr. G. A. Hamlett reports the following new arrivals in this good old world of ours during the month that closed yesterday:

January 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Evans, a son.  
January 9th, to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tankersly, a daughter.  
January 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Walker, a daughter.  
January 29th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Loper, a daughter.

# Spring Millinery

I have received an advance shipment of latest

**Spring Styles in Frames  
Braids and Imported  
Trimmings in Flowers  
Fruits, Etc.**

Let me make your Spring Hat to Order.

**MRS. DON C. CARTER**

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

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon all persons interested in the estate of William Burns, deceased, by making publication of this Citation one each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 42nd Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to the said 42nd Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Callahan County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Baird, on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 2695, wherein The State of Texas is Plaintiff, and T. E. Powell, Administrator of the Estate of William Burns is Defendant, and said petition alleging and being as follows, to-wit:

The State of Texas vs. T. E. Powell, Administrator of the Estate of William Burns.

No. 2695 in the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, Forty-second Judicial District, March Term, A. D. 1924.

To the Honorable W. R. Ely, Judge of said Court:

1. Now comes the State of Texas, hereinafter styled plaintiff, represented herein by the Attorney General of said State, the Assistant Attorney General of said State, B. W. Bryant and the County Attorney of Callahan County, Texas, B. F. Russell, complaining of T. E. Powell, Administrator of the Estate of William Burns, deceased, and for cause of action respectfully represent to the Court that William Burns died on or about the 16th day of June, A. D. 1909, in the County of Callahan, State of Texas; that the said deceased had his residence and domicile in said County and State at the time of his death; that the said William Burns then and there died possessed of an Estate, consisting of personal property, of the probable value of Fourteen Hundred Thirteen and 95-100 Dollars; that said T. E. Powell, as Temporary Administrator for the Estate of the said William Burns, collected the sum of Fourteen Hundred Thirteen and 95-100 Dollars; and that the said T. E. Powell paid out the total sum of Five Hundred Forty-nine Dollars, and that there remains in the possession of the said T. E. Powell the sum of Eight Hundred Sixty-four and 95-100 Dollars on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1909.

2. Plaintiff further represents to the Court that at the time of the death of the said William Burns that he had no legal heirs to inherit his said Estate and did not devise

or dispose of said Estate by gift, sale or otherwise; that there has been no will recorded in this County where said property is situated and was situated at the time of the death of the said William Burns; and that seven years have elapsed since the death of the owner of the aforesaid property and no lawful claims have been asserted, nor has there been any lawful acts of ownership exercised in said Estate since the death of the said William Burns.

3. The plaintiff further represents to the Court that the said T. E. Powell still holds in his care and possession the residue of said Estate, being the total of Eight Hundred Sixty-four and 95-100 Dollars and the interest thereon from the 11th day of December, A. D. 1909, at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the Court that the defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition and that the property, being the sum of Eight Hundred Sixty-four and 95-100 Dollars and all accumulated interest thereon from the 11th day of December, A. D. 1909, shall escheat to and become vested in the State of Texas, for costs of suit and such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity that he may be justly entitled to, etc.

W. A. Keeling,  
Attorney General of the State of Texas.

Bruce W. Bryant,  
Assistant Attorney General of the State of Texas.

B. F. Russell,  
County Attorney of the County of Callahan, State of Texas.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Baird, this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1924.

[Seal] Mrs. Kate Hearn,  
Clerk of District Court,  
9-4t Callahan County, Texas.

## FOR SALE

**A 2 Horse Power upright Fairbanks-Morse Gasolene engine in good condition. Gasolene tank and pipe connections, water tank and pipe connection included.**

For Sale at  
**The Star Office**  
Baird, Texas

## PANAMA COAST DEFENSES WEAK

Expenditure of \$15,000,000 is Urged That Armament May Be Improved

Colon, Canal Zone.—That the recent "war game" here proves the Panama Canal is open to attack by land, sea or air, the army and navy authorities have issued a statement recommending that the Government spend \$15,000,000 immediately for improving the defenses of the canal, and \$15,000,000 more annually until the project is completed.

These recommendations were made at the close of a three-day conference in which 600 officers participated as umpires of the war game. Maj. Gen. John L. Hines and Admiral Robert W. Coontz acting as chief umpires.

The statement does not mention the total amount that the army and navy men believe should be spent on the canal, but it is recalled that the entire project of defenses for the canal, as represented three years ago, called for an estimated expenditure of \$70,000,000.

The umpires point out that they are fully agreed that the canal could be attacked by air, by a naval bombardment or by land. They say that defects in the canal defenses are:

1. Shortage of sixteen-inch guns.
2. An insufficient air force.
3. Insufficient troop forces.

There should be at least 12,000 troops at the canal, the statement declares. At the present time there is a paper strength of 8,500 which, due to the fact that some men are always absent on furloughs, actually results in about 7,000 men being on duty at the canal at any given time.

## SOURCE OF FALL'S \$100,000 DISCLOSED

Prominent Oil Man Springs Bombshell in Teapot Dome Investigation

Washington.—Albert B. Fall, while Secretary of the Interior, received a loan of \$100,000 in cash on his personal note from E. L. Doheny, California oil magnate, Mr. Doheny testified before the Senate Teapot Dome investigating committee.

The date of the loan was given as Nov. 30, 1921, or more than a year before Secretary Fall signed the contract leasing to Doheny interests in the California naval oil reserves, out of which, committee-men reminded Mr. Doheny, he has testified, he expects to make a profit of \$100,000,000.

Mr. Doheny declared to the committee, however, that the loan had "no relation to any of the subsequent transactions"; that it was made by him "personally" and that "in connection with this loan there was no discussion between Mr. Fall and myself as to any contracts whatever."

"The transactions themselves in the order in which they occurred," Mr. Doheny said, "dispose of any contention that they were influenced by my making a personal loan to a life-long friend."

Responding to questions on cross-examination, Mr. Doheny said the note sent him by Mr. Fall was unpaid; that it bore no interest rate, and that no interest had been paid on it. He said he had drawn a check for the \$100,000 on a New York bank and that his son had taken the cash from New York to Washington, receiving in return the note, which he thought was in Mr. Fall's handwriting.

Mr. Doheny's testimony threw a bombshell into what already has developed into one of the most sensational investigations conducted by a congressional committee in recent years. In view of it, Mr. Fall will be questioned when he appears before the committee next Monday regarding his statement of Dec. 27 to the committee, in which he said:

"It should be needless for me to say that in the purchase of the Harris ranch or in any other purchase or expenditure I have never approached E. L. Doheny or any one connected with him or any of his corporations or H. F. Sinclair or any one connected with him or any of his corporations, nor have I ever received from either of said parties in on account of any oil lease or updn any other account whatsoever."

Victoria Taken by Rebels  
Washington.—Capture of Victoria, capital of Tamaulipas by Mexican rebel forces under Gen. Lopez De Lara, has been announced by De La Huerta representatives here

**DRUGS  
JEWELRY  
CANDIES  
CIGARS  
DRINKS**

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

**BAIRD DRUG CO.**

We Have It

PHONE 29

BAIRD, TEXAS

## Used Auto Parts

We wish to announce that we are going to put in a Wrecking Shop—handling second hand parts for a few few make of cars—especially Fords. Some of our parts are only slightly used and will in some cases last as long as the other parts in your car. We are going to sell these parts about half of new price list.

**Mitchell Motor Co.**

Phone 363

Baird, Texas

## YOU TELL 'EM



"A dog fills an empty space in a man's life—especially a hot dog!"

takes one of our

## Sunday Dinners

to fill the empty space in a hungry man's stomach.

Try it next Sunday—you can't help but be pleased with what you get—because we take particular care to prepare our dishes from the very best foodstuffs, and there is ever present an insistent desire on our part to please the palate of the most fastidious.

Come in.

## Murphy's Cafe

### Telephone Subscribers

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

T. P. BEAPDEN, Mgr

## PROFESSIONAL CARDS

**R. G. POWELL**

Physician and Surgeon  
Office Over Holmes Drug Store  
Baird, Texas

**R. L. GRIGGS**

Physician and Surgeon  
Local Surgeon Texas & Pacific Ry. Co.  
Calls answered day or night. Office  
Phone No. 279. Res. phone No. 181  
Baird, Texas.

**G. A. HAMLETT**

Physician and Surgeon  
Special Attention to diseases of  
Women and Children.  
Office at Baird Drug Co.  
Office Phone 29 Residence Phone 235  
Baird, Texas

**V. E. HILL**  
DENTIST

Office Up-stairs, Telephone Bldg  
Baird, Texas

## COTTON SEED

Half and Half Booklet  
Free

**JOHN M. BUGH**  
Decatur, Ala.

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

**BARGAIN TYPEWRITERS**—\$1.00 Down, balance like rent  
Abilene Typewriter Exchange,  
5 5t Royal and Corona Agents

**BAIRD CAMP No. 508, WOODMEN OF THE WORLD**

**ASK ABOUT US**

A certificate holder in the W. O. W. never regrets what he has done or is doing now for his loved ones, because he knows the Society is safe and sound.

**WE WANT YOU** **YOU NEED US**

**CAMP MEETS 2nd & 4th MONDAY NIGHTS**

C. W. Conner, C. C. Royce Gilliland, Clerk

**MONUMENTS**

Why buy through an agent, when you can buy direct from the dealer?

**DRYDEN & BRATTON**

Marble and Granite Monuments

Box 372 Abilene, Texas

**GROCERIES**

That are Fresh---That is Our Motto

Give Us A Trial---We Will Appreciate It.

**BLACK & PRICE GROCERY**

Groceries and Feed Telephones No. 128 & 24

**Notice of Annual Account in Guardianship**

The State of Texas

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

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Callahan, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof.

**NOTICE**

The State of Texas.

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

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

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird this 28th day of December, A. D. 1923.

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

**Notice of Annual Account in Guardianship**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Callahan State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

**NOTICE**

The State of Texas.

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

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

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

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

**Sam Gilliland**

Tin Work, Plumbing Gas Fitting, Electric Wiring, Gas Stoves, Gas Lights Bath Tubs, Sinks

PHONE 224

BAIRD, TEXAS

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Texas

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Sam Henderson, H. B. Mays, W. M. Redman, J. W. Greenwood, W. J. Dyer, V. K. Davis, R. W. Davis, C. A. Barbour, Trustee, M. Chamness, C. C. Roberts, B. E. Leatherman and A. M. Coffin by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof in the Baird Star, a newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Callahan County, to be held at the Court House thereof in Baird, on the first Monday in March A. D. 1924, the same being the 3rd day of March A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a cross-bill filed in said

Court on the 23rd day of January A. D. 1924, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 2676, wherein, the M. A. T. Oil Company is Plaintiff, and J. M. Isenhower is Defendant, and said cross-bill alleging: That it is true as alleged by the M. A. T. Oil Co. in its petition in the original suit, that J. M. Isenhower, plaintiff herein, did lease to the said Sam Henderson 640 acres of land as set out and described in said petition, and upon the terms and conditions therein stated. That all of the defendants are assignees under the said Sam Henderson lease by direct or mesne conveyances, and bound by its terms and conditions. That the said Sam Henderson, and the said assignees under said lease have wholly failed to carry out, perform or comply with any of the terms, conditions, agreements and covenants of said lease contract. That no well producing oil or gas in paying quantities has ever been dug on said premises. That oil or gas in paying quantities has never been produced on the land embraced in said lease. That the rental provided in said lease has never been paid to or tendered plaintiff. That the one dollar recited in said lease as consideration for same was never paid. That the real moving consideration was the royalty to be derived from the production of oil or gas in paying quantities within the time provided in said lease. That well number two as specified in said original lease was not dug to a depth of 700 feet, as therein provided, and was never completed. That said well was dug to a depth of about 300 feet by said Kindig Oil Co., defendant. That said well, at said depth, or any other depth, did not produce oil or gas in paying quantities and never has, and is not now, and has been abandoned by the said Kindig Oil Co. That no oil or gas in paying quantities is now being produced on any part of said leased premises. That there has been no continuous production of oil or gas in paying quantities on said lease before or since December 3rd, 1923. That the term of said lease expired by lapse of time on December 3rd 1923.

That the said Sam Henderson lease and the several assignments thereunder are of record in the deed records of Callahan County, and are a cloud upon his title, and are null and void.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that defendants be cited, and that he have judgment that his said lease to Sam Henderson and all said assignments thereunder be cancelled, set aside and annulled, and said cloud removed.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird, this the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1924.

Mrs. Kate Hearn, Clerk District Court, Callahan Co. 8-4t

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Texas.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Roy Youell by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 42nd Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 42nd Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Callahan county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Baird, on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 24th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court as No. 2688, wherein Sam Hunt, et ux., are plaintiffs, and Roy Youell is defendant, and said petition alleging:

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

In the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, March Term, A. D. 1924.

To the Honorable W. R. Ely, Judge of said Court:

Now comes Sam Hunt and his wife, Minnie Hunt, who both reside in Callahan county, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiffs, complaining of Roy Youell, whose residence is unknown, hereinafter styled defendant, and for cause of action represents to the court as follows:

First, That on or about the 2nd day of October, A. D. 1922, Minnie Hunt, joined by her husband, Sam Hunt, called lessors, as parties of the first part, made and entered into with defendant, Roy Youell, as party of the second part, a certain oil lease contract of said date of the land described therein, in words and figures substantially as follows, to-wit:

"Agreement, made and entered into this the 2nd day of October, A. D. 1922, by and between Mrs. Minnie Hunt joined by her husband, Sam Hunt of Eastland county, Texas, hereinafter called lessors, and Roy Youell, hereinafter called lessee:

"Witnesseth: That the said lessors, for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar, cash in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained on the part of the lessee, to be kept and performed, have granted, demised, leased and let, and do by these presents grant, lease and let unto the said lessee for the sole and only purpose of mining and oper-

ating for oil and gas and of laying pipe lines and of building tanks, power stations and structures thereon to produce, save and take care of said products all that certain tract of land situated in the County of Callahan, described as follows, to-wit:

"The east one-half of a one hundred and twenty acre tract of land out of Survey No. 2289 granted and patented to the T. E. & L. Co. October 8, 1858 by Patent No. 84, Vol. No. 22, Abstract No. 440, and described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of the south one-half of said Section No. 2289, T. E. & L. Co. Survey; thence west 1008 varas; thence north 672 varas; thence east 1008 varas; thence south 672 varas to the place of beginning and containing 60 acres of land, same being the east one-half of the land above described.

"1. If no well be commenced on said land on or before January 1st, 1923, this lease shall terminate as to both parties, and unless lessee shall have begun drilling said well within said time and shall, with reasonable dispatch, drill said well to a depth of 700 feet, unless oil or gas, in paying quantity, is reached at a less depth and in event said well be completed as above stated and oil or gas or either of them be found in paying quantity, it is agreed that this lease shall remain in full force for a term of five years, from this date, and so long thereafter as oil or gas or either of them is produced from said land by the lessee.

"In consideration of the premises the said lessee covenants and agrees:

"1st. To deliver to the credit of lessors, free of cost, in the pipe line to which he may connect his well, the equal one-eighth part of all oil and gas produced and saved from the leased premises.

"If said lessors own a less interest in the above described land than the entire and undivided, fee simple estate therein, then the royalties herein provided for shall be paid the said lessors only in the proportion which their interest bears to the whole and undivided fee.

"Lessee shall have the right to use, free of cost, gas, oil and water produced on said land, for all operations thereon, except water from the wells of lessors.

"When requested by lessors lessee shall bury his pipe line below plow depth.

"Lessee shall have the right at any time to remove all machinery and fixtures placed on said premises, including the right to draw and remove casing, but it is agreed by lessee that in the event that in drilling said lessee should bring in a well that produces only water, that the lessors shall be entitled to said well and may, by paying the cost of said casing, have the same remain in said well.

"If the estate of either party hereto is assigned--and the privilege of assigning in whole or in part is expressly allowed--the covenants hereof, shall extend to their heirs, executors, administrators and successors or assigns.

"Lessors hereby agree that in event a well is brought in on the land above described, then the lessee shall have a preference right to a lease on the west one-half of the said land above described.

"Witness our hands in duplicate this the 4th day of October, A. D. 1922.

"(Signed)  
"Mrs. Minnie Hunt,  
"Party of the First Part.  
"Sam Hunt,  
"Party of the First Part.  
"Roy Youell,  
"Party of the Second Part."

\* Said above described lease contract was duly acknowledged by said lessor on the 4th day of October, A. D. 1922, delivered to said lessee and filed for record the 5th day of October, A. D. 1922 and recorded in Volume 88, Page 146 of the Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas.

Second, Plaintiff represents to the Court that the said above described lease contract was executed on and bears the date of the 2nd day of October, A. D. 1922, and recites to have been executed and delivered for a valuable consideration and upon the agreements, conditions and covenants as therein mentioned and set forth, on part of the said lessee, to be paid, kept and performed and for the consideration therein mentioned, whereby plaintiff contracted to lease said above described tract of land to the defendant, Roy Youell, lessee in said contract, for the sole and only purpose of mining and operating for oil and gas and for laying pipe lines and of building tanks, power station and structures on said land to produce save and take care of said products by said lessee as herein provided and stipulated, to remain in force for a term of five years from the date of said lease contract, and as long thereafter as oil or gas or either of them is produced in commercial paying quantities, as therein stipulated and provided, as part consideration thereof, lessee agreeing and covenanting to the credit of the lessors, free of cost, the equal one-eighth part of all oil and gas produced and saved from said land by said lessee; that said lease contract provides and stipulates, among other things: "If no well be commenced on said land on or before January 1st, 1923, this lease shall terminate as to both parties, and unless lessee shall have begun drilling said well within said time and shall, with reasonable dispatch, drill said well to a depth of 700 feet, unless oil or gas in paying quantity is reached at a less depth, and in event said well be completed as

above stated and oil and gas, or either of them, be found in paying quantity, it is agreed that this lease shall remain in full force for a term of five years, from this date, and so long thereafter as oil or gas or either of them is produced from said land by the lessee."

Third, Plaintiff further represents to the Court that no well was commenced on said land or any part thereof on or before the 1st day of January, 1923, but that defendant did begin a well on or about the 28th day of January of said year, but that defendant wholly failed and refused to drill said well with "reasonable dispatch," and that on or about the 1st day of March, A. D. 1923, abandoned said well and left the county; that at the time said well was abandoned by defendant, its depth did not exceed 250 feet; that at the time defendant abandoned said well, that all drilling machinery and equipment was removed, except a bare drilling machine and casing in the hole; that creditors of defendant laid claim to and seized said casing and drilling machine and the same have been out of the possession of the defendant since the last named date; that over ten months have elapsed since the abandonment of said well by defendant; and that he has made no effort to continue the drilling of said well, and that he has absented himself from said county and that his whereabouts are unknown to these plaintiffs; that no oil or gas has been encountered in any quantity in said well and that there has never been at any time any production of oil and gas or either of them in any quantity from said described land, and plaintiffs have not at any time granted any extension of time as specified in said lease for the drilling of said well and have in no way agreed to any change in the terms of said lease contract and said lessee has wholly failed and refused to comply with the terms, conditions and covenants of said lease contract, and the same, according to its terms, provisions and covenants, terminated as to all parties on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1923, and forfeited, and was so considered and declared terminated and forfeited by said lessors, and the same is a cloud upon plaintiffs title to said land.

Fourth, Plaintiff would further represent to the Court that the defendant, Roy Youell, is now setting up some kind of claim, title or interest in and to said oil and gas lease by transfer, assignment or otherwise, the exact nature of which is unknown to plaintiffs, but whatever the nature or character of the same may be, it is fictitious, simulated, inferior and subject to the rights and claims of said lessors and to the terms, conditions, provisions and covenants of said lease contract, and is a cloud upon plaintiffs' title to said land, and is and should be declared terminated and cancelled.

Wherefore plaintiff prays the Court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein at the next regular term of this Court, and on final hearing of this cause, plaintiffs have judgment against said defendant for the oil and gas rights on and under said described tract of land, and declaring said lease contract terminated and cancelled, and removal of the cloud upon plaintiffs' title to said land, his damages and costs, and for such other and further relief herein, special and general, in law and in equity, that he may be justly entitled to, etc.

B. F. Russell, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Baird, this the 24th day of January, A. D. 1924.

[Seal] Mrs. Kate Hearn, Clerk District Court, Callahan County. 9-4t

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

**SEE "CHRIST ON CALVARY" PICTURE**

This famous painting, by the immortal Franz A. Lundahl, which is valued at \$85,000, will be on free exhibition at the G. W. Waldrop & Company Furniture Emporium in Abilene, from Monday, February 17th, till Saturday, February 16th, inclusive.

Rev. Charles W. Horswell, of the Northwestern University of Chicago, one of the ablest students and art critics of the day says:

"I have seen paintings of the Crucifixion by Titian, Murillo, Michael Angelo, Van Dyck and Raphael, and I am compelled to say, after an hour's visit to the Crucifixion by Lundahl, that it is the most real and plausible conception of the last cry of agony imaginable."

If you should happen to be in Abilene any time within the dates above mentioned, don't fail to see this great picture.

# The Baird Star.

FRIDAY, FEB. 1, 1924

Issued Every Friday

Serial (whole) Number 1853  
BAIRD, TEXAS

Entered as Second Class Matter, Dec. 8, 1887, at the Post Office at Baird, Texas, under Act of 1879

W. E. GILLILAND,  
Editor and Proprietor.

## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

### OUTSIDE OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

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

### IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

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

(Payable in Advance)

A young daughter of W. C. P. Harding, former Governor of the Reserve Banks, committed suicide in Washington last week. "Too much society, dancing and cigarettes," her father said.

Considering the fact that the Interstate Commerce Commission has usurped about all the powers formerly exercised by our State Railroad Commission, we would like to know what is the use of the State keeping a Railroad Commission, that seems practically useless.

The talk seems to be unanimous that Texas and the whole country will have a prosperous year. So be it. A proverb says: "That as a man thinketh in his heart so is he." That is the idea. If people want good times the way to have them is to talk good times and work for such things.

Lenine dead and Trotsky banished is the latest news from Russia. All the czars that ever ruled Russia in the past, all combined, never inflicted anything like the misery these two adventurers inflicted upon the Russian people. They are succeeded by men who will probably do even worse, if possible, than these two dreamers did for Russia.

The Bible compares the ingratitude of a child to a serpent's tooth. "Colonel" Emperor W. J. Simmons, the founder of the Ku Klux Klan, can now realize the truth of this Scripture, as the child of his fertile brain, the Ku Klux Klan (Evans faction) has expelled him from the order. Now what do you know about that? Next!

Don't forget to raise some hog and hominy along with the cotton crop this year. King Boll Weevil is still in the land, and a big increase in cotton acreage may not mean a big crop, and if a big crop should get by the boll weevil, will it bring a big price?

As a rule, in the past, a big cotton crop meant a low price. These suggestions are merely given for what they are worth. Not that we expect any one to heed them. The writer, in years gone by, went through some pretty rough sledding raising cotton, and we dread to see others pin too much faith on one crop of any kind.

That's all!

The City of Houston is the last large city in Texas to abolish jitney car service, which was done by popular vote of the citizens recently licensing jitneys in the city so crippled the street car service in every city in the State, that they could not give good service nor pay dividends on their stock.

Jitney service became bummy, also, and between the two, citizens

of Houston and other large cities in Texas did not get as good service with the two as the street cars gave alone before the advent of the jitneys. It takes a long time for a popular fad to die out. It required ten years for Houston to abolish the unsatisfactory jitney.

McAdoo seems to have the lead as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. His friends are using all the arts of propaganda to make it appear that way, at least.

Recently a report went out that the Democratic National Committee, by an overwhelming vote, had endorsed McAdoo, fifty to a few scattering votes for other candidates. Now comes the report that no such vote, as alleged, was taken, as the committee did not think it politic to express a preference for any candidate. But this does not prevent the McAdoo forces from continuing to spread this false report.

Personally, the editor of The Star prefers Senator Underwood, of Alabama, because we believe that he could come nearer being elected than any candidate before the Democratic Party at this time.

The Democrats have what some people might consider an almost hopeless chance to elect any one, considering that the Democratic nominee in the last Presidential election four years ago, was defeated by over seven million majority.

Politics is an uncertain game, as we learned long years ago, and no one can say for sure what will happen ten months from now.

Woodrow Wilson's election twelve years ago was an accident, caused by a split in the Republican party. He was reelected, four years later, it is true, but the breach in the Republican party was not sufficiently healed to prevent this.

One thing certain, there are more Republicans in the country than Democrats, and when they rally solidly for their candidates, the Democrats, since the Civil war, have never been able to elect a President. A schism in the Republican party in 1884 was the cause of Cleveland's election. He was defeated in 1888 and elected again in 1892, mainly because of the confiscatory Republican tariff and the financial condition of the country. Lincoln's election in 1860 was caused by the split in the Democratic party, similar to the split in the Republican party that caused the election of Wilson in 1912.

If the Republicans rally solidly to the support of President Coolidge, any man we Democrats may nominate will have a hard row to travel. The split in the Republican party in 1912 was so costly that they are not liable to repeat it, and they somehow, except in 1912, out-general the Democrats.

Senator Johnson wants the Republican nomination but is not likely to get it. Should Johnson and McAdoo be pitted against each other, McAdoo might win, because there is a strong element in the Republican party that will not support Johnson unless all past election lessons count for naught. Johnson is a Radical and McAdoo is so counted by some, but he is not a Radical of the Johnson type.

This nation, unless it goes contrary to all traditions, will not elect any man of the Johnson type; but we shall see what we shall see.

Mrs. J. L. Forrest and children returned a few days ago from Teague where they have been for several months with Mr. Forrest, who is working on the I & G. N. Ry.

Will and Andrew Johnson, of Opalin were in town Tuesday to meet their mother and brother, Mrs. Tom Johnson and Ed Johnson, who have been in Dallas.

## I THANK YOU

Last week, in taking an inventory of the cash on hand, I found that I had about half enough in bank to pay State, city and county taxes.

That had to be paid by Thursday night of this week, or incur a ten per cent penalty. There was but two things to do: Either collect the money or borrow the balance not available, about \$70.00.

I disliked to borrow when I had several times the amount needed due right here in town. So I decided to make a personal request for money due me to meet this tax business. I confess that I had little hope that the money would be forthcoming, but right there is where I was mistaken.

I got the money all right and some of it came 400 miles from Baird, but most of it from town. I want to thank all in town, in the county and out of the county who paid up for responding to that little appeal.

I have evidence that that eighteen line appeal was directly responsible for the collection of \$84.50. Other collections came in, of course, but this appeal had nothing to do with it. Twenty-eight people paid the above amount, and so many mentioned the appeal about the taxes that it shows that people do read articles in The Star, news and advertising, and it pays. It paid me about \$4.75 per line. Yet some advertisers think a few cents a line is too high. That is they used to think so, but they don't now.

I again thank every one of you. The taxes have been paid—\$138.60—but other things are due, insurance and one bill I did not pay January 1st. So this is to remind those who are yet due something on subscription, that I still need money, and would greatly appreciate it if all would pay up.

All the use in the world I have for money is to pay my debts, and I cannot pay if others do not pay me.

Wishing for all a happy and prosperous year, I am

Respectfully yours,

W. E. Gilliland.

## TRUTH

BY E. G. SENTER

Truth! What is Truth? The Ancient Bard

The question put; no answer came;  
The modern psalmist cries aloud—  
The Brooding Silence still the same.

Truth! What is Truth? The Pious Soul

On bended knee wails out the cry,  
The Heavens flash back their glittering light;  
But silence, broods upon the sky.

Truth! What is truth? The little child

Prattles its budding wish to know;  
Into its heart the secret steals  
Like falling flakes of Christmas snow.

Truth is the music of the wind,

The echo of a Thrush duet;  
The laughter of a waterfall;  
The swish of butterfly coquette.

Truth is, in truth, the open page

Of Nature in her simplest dress;  
The story of Creation told  
As flowers their rich perfumes express.

Truth is what God wants man to know,  
Not what man wants and seeks to know;

The Worm has Truth—all truth it needs,  
Beyond that does not dare to go.

God's Truths are God's—Immortal Truths;

Beyond the reach of Adam's race:  
We see now darkly, but we may  
Across the Gulf see face to face.  
Arlington, Texas,  
December 23, 1923.

A wreck east of here on the T. & P., delayed the mail train, No. 25, Saturday morning over six hours.

Mrs. Gus Hall returned last Friday from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Riney Simpson, near Albany. Mrs. Simpson accompanied her, returning home Saturday.

# Fresh Groceries

Fresh Groceries, Vegetables,  
Fruits, Feed, Etc.

FRED L. WRISTEN

Groceries and Feed  
Successor to E. M. Wristen

# Fred's Place

First Door North of First Guaranty State Bank

Now Open For Business

Short Orders A Specialty.

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

I solicit and will appreciate a share of your patronage.

Come in and look my place over

FRED ESTES

BAIRD

TEXAS

# MAKING BUSINESS PLEASANT

There's no reason why business relationships shouldn't proceed on a basis of sincere friendliness and a genuine regard for each other's best interests.

Because we believe this, you'll find The First National Bank a congenial, gratifying place to transact your banking business.

We invite your account.

THE First National Bank

CAPITAL \$ 50,000.00  
SURPLUS & PROFITS \$ 25,000.00

1885---The Old Established Bank---1885

BAIRD, TEXAS

## OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

J. F. Dyer, President  
Henry James, V. P.  
Tom Windham

W. A. Hinds

W. S. Hinds, Cashier  
Bob Norrell, Asst. C.  
Ace Hickman

# Everwear<sup>®</sup> TRADE MARK Hosiery

Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

Just Received a New Shipment

in new, popular shades of Biege  
African Brown, Log Cabin, Bob-  
o-Ling in all sizes and prices

SEE OUR WINDOW DISPLAY

## WILL D. BOYDSTUN

OUR CREDIT TERMS ARE 30 DAYS ONLY—  
AND NO LONGER

PHONE 23.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

## HOME LUMBER CO.

ALL HOME PEOPLE

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

W. M. COFFMAN, Manager

# WHAT ? WHAT

## What's In a Name ?

In our case, it is a whole lot to YOU.

### "Guaranty Fund Bank"

means a whole tongue full, because it absolutely protects  
your money, and its record in, that:

"No non-interest bearing or unsecured depositor ever  
lost a dollar in a State Bank in Texas."

That record stands for itself—it can't be denied.

It Absolutely Guarantees You From Loss

Open an Account With Us and Enjoy This Protection

DO IT TODAY

## First Guaranty State Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

E. L. Finley, Pres. H. Ross, V. P.  
T. E. Powell, Cashier P. G. Hatchett, Vice-Pres  
F. L. Driskill, A. Cashier E. D. Driskill A. Cashier  
M. Barnhill C. B. Snyder

## PERSONALS

E. Cooke attended the Hardware  
mens Convention at Dallas last week

Miss Rex Gilliland, of Brecken-  
ridge, spent Sunday with her mother

S. C. McFarlane, of Breckenridge,  
spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hunt are visiting  
relatives in Ranger, this week.

Tom Poindexter, of Oplin, was in  
town Wednesday.

Mrs. John Estes visited relatives  
in Anson last week.

J. E. Eastham, of Admiral, was  
in town yesterday.

J. H. Cunningham and Ira Rob-  
inson, of Putnam, were in town yes-  
terday.

J. D. Tidwell, of the Jones Dry  
Goods Co. is in the eastern markets  
this week.

Miss Alice Gilliland has returned  
from a visit with relatives on the  
Bayou.

Mrs. Gordon I. Phillips of Big  
Spring, is visiting her mother, Mrs.  
Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth.

Mrs. James A. Murdock of El  
Paso, was the guest of Mrs. C. E.  
Walker the past week.

C. M. and Harry Bennett of Af-  
ton, are the guests of their relative  
Henry Webb.

The Star was in error last week  
in reporting the birth of a daughter  
to Mr. and Mrs. Spike Blakley. We  
should have said a son.

The Star is gratified to learn that  
Mrs. Frank E. Stanley, who has  
been quite ill, is happily convales-  
cing.

J. H. Carpenter, from the Oplin-  
Belle Plaine Precinct, announces as  
a candidate this week, for reelection.  
Mr. Carpenter has made a faithful  
and efficient County Commissioner  
and deserves reelection. See his  
announcement.

### NOTICE

In order to settle the estate of the  
late C. E. Walker, all bills are now  
due. Persons knowing themselves  
indebted to the above will confer a  
favor by settling promptly.

9.2t Mrs. C. E. Walker.

### MR. BOATWRIGHT'S GARGANTUAN WHITE GLOBE P-TOP TURNIPS

W. H. Boatwright, who is now,  
metaphorically speaking, "resting  
on his oars," in a business way, was  
always a first-class farmer and his  
brain has not forgotten its agricul-  
tural cunning nor his hands lost  
their deftness in husbandry.

This year he prides himself on his  
Gargantuan White Globe Purple Top  
Turnips, of which he has a good  
sized patch, on the extensive lands  
surrounding his Baird home.

Last Friday he brought a speci-  
men of these "Globes," which prop-  
erly outlined on its surface with  
meridians of longitude, degrees of  
latitude and the outlines of oceans,  
seas, islands, continents, &c.,  
would serve fairly well as a geo-  
graphical guide to any Baird Public  
School student. It weighed 5 pounds  
and 13 ounces.

Recently he presented this partic-  
ular turnip's big brother (or sister)  
to the Hawk Boarding House. It  
weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces, and  
when cooked was more than enough  
for the wants of Mrs. Hawk's ag-  
gregation of dinner guests.

## Land for Sale

320 acres of land, clear title,  
situated in south-eastern  
part of New Mexico.

DON C. CARTER, Baird, Texas

# New Spring Goods

We have just received

New Toil-du-Nord Gingham, and Indianhead  
Linen in all the new shades, guaranteed fast  
colors, for Spring Dresses.

Imported Sunburst Satin in all colors, for  
making Bloomers, etc.

Lingerie Novelty Checks, Satin Finish in all  
the the latest shades, Nansook and Demity  
Checks in white and colors, for making un-  
derwear. Also new Cretonnes.

## Shoe Specials

See our Special Display of Shoes. We are  
showing splendid bargains in Black and Brown  
Kid Oxfords in Military and Low Heels, Lace  
and One-Strap. Special Prices of

**\$2.95 to \$3.95**

Mr. Boydston and Miss Morrison are now in the  
Eastern Markets making selections of the very lat-  
est in Ready-to-Wear, Millinery, Dress Goods, etc.

## B. L. BOYDSTUN

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

### POLITICAL CANDIDATES

The following announce them-  
selves as candidates for the various  
offices printed above their names,  
subject to the action of the Demo-  
cratic Primary Election, to be held  
Saturday, July 26, 1924:

For County Judge:  
Victor B. Gilbert

For County Clerk:  
Rob Cochran  
Grady G. Keespe

For District Clerk:  
Mrs. Kate Hearn

For County Treasurer:  
Mrs. Roy Jackson

For Tax Assessor:  
W. J. Evans

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

For County Superintendent:  
B. C. Chrisman

For Tax Collector:  
W. C. (Clyde) White

For County Commissioner Precinct  
No. 2:

J. H. Carpenter, reelection

### FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES

The following announce them-  
selves as candidates for the Muni-  
cipal offices in the City of Baird print-  
ed above their names. Election Sat-  
urday, April 5:

For City Marshal and Water Com-  
missioner:  
Chas. W. Conner  
Ed Lambert

### MRS. DR. M. S. LEWIS

Scientific Massuer Specializes  
in Chronic Ailments With  
Electric Baths

Such as asthma, ankylosis, appendi-  
citis, bronchitis, catarrhal deafness,  
catarrh of head and throat, intesti-  
nal catarrh, constipation, diabetes,  
neuralgia, stiff joints, headaches,  
neuritis, rheumatism, lumbago,  
paralysis, pain, nerve trouble, sciat-  
ic pains, spinal troubles, tonsillitis,  
stomach trouble, lung trouble, hay  
fever, pleurisy pains, weak back,  
weak eyes, earache, and other trou-  
bles.

I will be in Baird, February 3rd,  
for a few months and any one suf-  
fering from any of these ailments I  
would advise to take the treatments  
for same.

If there is any one suffering from  
Cancer I will gladly tell you how to  
be cured.

I extend a welcome to all to visit  
me in my office.

Office First Door West of  
Hotel Mae, Baird.

## "Blue Ribbon" Bread

Loaf 10c.—3 for 25 Cts.  
Also Fresh Rolls, Cakes,  
etc every day

## City Bakery

O. Nitschke, Prop.

## BRIEFS BY CABLE, WIRE, WIRELESS

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

### ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ALL

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

#### DOMESTIC

The first policeman to kill a bandit will be promoted, is a promise made by Gen. Smedley D. Butler in his campaign to clean up Philadelphia.

Fred H. Bixby of Long Beach, Cal., was re-elected president of the American National Live Stock Association at the closing meeting of the organization's national convention in Omaha.

Of 56,724 births in Chicago in 1922, not one case of blindness has developed. It has been announced by the Chicago health department, due to stringent enforcement of the law requiring that all cases of defective eyes in the new-born shall be reported within six hours.

Lady Fontana, a white Leghorn hen, declared to be the champion egg layer of the world, died at Fontana from strangulation or a broken neck, after having caught her head in a fence. The hen had a record of 564 eggs from October 2, 1921, to October 1, 1923.

Former Governor Edwin P. Morrow of Kentucky has been sworn in as a member of the United States Railroad Labor Board. The former Kentucky executive becomes a member of the public group on the board and succeeds Judge R. M. Barton of Tennessee, the first chairman of the board.

The steamship Joseph Makno arrived in Boston with 4,500 tons of Welsh coal for the Metropolitan Coal company. The ship will proceed from Boston to Chesapeake Bay and take aboard a load of bituminous coal to carry to France. The ship makes \$22,500 for her coal-carrying round trip.

Walton Peteet, newly appointive executive secretary of the National Council of Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Association, has announced that a conference of all co-operatives has been called by the council to meet in Washington Feb. 7 to 9. Mr. Peteet left Chicago for Washington, where offices of the new organization will be opened.

I. C. Herman, a twin brother of Al Herman, better known in the theatrical world as Al or A. H. Woods, has given away his handkerchief and knit goods manufacturing business to two employes. The firm did a \$2,000,000 business last year. "I am rich enough," said Mr. Herman, "so why shouldn't I retire and give the young men a chance?"

A bill of sale, written by Billy the Kid, notorious youthful bandit, at Tascosa, Oldham County, in 1878, and witnessed by two men named James E. McMasers and George J. Howard, recently was photographed and the reproduction given to the Tazewell-Plains Historical Society. This copy of a very interesting document came to the society through the courtesy of Thomas F. Turner of Amarillo.

#### WASHINGTON

Representative Garner has introduced a bill in Congress to detach Jim Hogg County from the Corpus Christi Division of the Southern Judicial District of Texas and attach it to the Laredo district. Mr. Garner points out that Hebbronville is much nearer to the latter district and it will be a great convenience to the folks of that place having legal business to be closer to the courts.

A new instrument to measure the speed of a projectile as it passes through the barrel of a gun has been devised by the Bureau of Standards. The movement of a projectile through a gun barrel with its following charge of a gas from burning powder, experts found, causes an infinitesimal expansion followed instantaneously by contraction. The minute ripples thus produced is recorded electrically by the new device.

War Department plans for the 1924 summer training camps, disclose that 40,000 students between the ages of 17 and 24 will be enrolled throughout the country for instruction at the citizens' military training camps, which open in all army corps areas Aug. 1.

Plans for another expedition to explore the navy's largest petroleum reserve, located in the extreme northern part of Alaska, are announced by the Interior Department. The Navy Department will pay the expenses of the trip and Dr. Phillip S. Smith, a Government geologist, will be in charge.

Senator Samuel N. Ralston has told his friends that he will accept the Democratic nomination if it is tendered him, but he refuses to make an active campaign. This announcement was made by Charles A. Greathouse of Indiana, member of the Democratic National Committee. He is the first choice of Indiana Democrats, Greathouse said.

The Senate passed a resolution extending for one year from March 1, next, the time in which cattle sent to Mexico in the summer of 1922 for pasturage may be returned to the United States without payment of duty. It is estimated that upward of 50,000 head of cattle are involved, 30,000 of these carrying loans from the War Finance Corporation.

Entry of cattle from the tick-infected areas of Mexico into territory in Texas between the Southern quarantine lines is prohibited by a bill introduced by Chairman Haugen of the house agriculture committee. Representative Jones of Texas, a member of the committee, is understood to have proposed the measure to the committee, after he had received the approval of the Texas sanitary livestock board.

Additional reports received by the War Department from officers in Europe show that "gratifying progress" is being made in construction work on American cemeteries. A report just made public said the Brookwood (England) cemetery "is completed, with the partial exception of one small building," and "those who have seen this overseas burial ground have pronounced it dignified, beautiful and simple."

In a speech to the House Representative John E. Garner, Texas, said that in Texas, according to the latest figures, there are 200,188 income tax payers. Of these, Garner said 209,984 would pay less taxes under the Garner plan than under the Mellon plan. He said that 104 of Texas tax payers would pay less under the Mellon plan than under the Garner plan.

#### FOREIGN

The German national liberals have set up a cry for ex-Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm as the next president of the republic.

The bubonic plague has leaped over the borders of Asia into extreme Southeastern Europe and is threatening the Astrakhan district.

England will recognize Mexico only after the United States has accorded full recognition to that country, it is declared in authoritative quarters in London.

Gov. Gen. Leonard Wood, referring to the resolution introduced in Congress by Senator Ladd of North Dakota, proposing a sweeping investigation of the administration of the Philippines, said: "I welcome the fullest investigation of the entire situation."

What is called the largest dance floor in the world opened at Olympia, Kensington, recently. It accommodates 2,000 couples, who dance in a "snowstorm" or an all-enveloping Tartan plaid, produced by lighting effects. The dance hall occupies the entire new Olympia building and adjoins a fully licensed restaurant.

The Anglo-American treaty regulating the search and seizure of rum runners off the American coast will be signed shortly, according to authoritative information. Sir Auckland Geddes has been authorized to hand Secretary Hughes the draft of the treaty, which has been approved by both the British Government and the Dominions.

The municipality of Madrid plans to go into the co-operative apartment house business. It contemplates using 100,000,000 pesetas for the development of the city's suburbs, and also intends to appropriate funds for the erection of cheaper houses and for the improvement of housing conditions in general.

English society has launched a new style of coiffure. The hair is coiled over one ear in heavy circular plaits, being drawn across the head to leave the other ear completely bare. The bare ear is usually adorned with a long drop earring. The change the fashion effects in the appearance is startling.

A brief denying the assertion that the Ku Klux Klan was not an issue in the senatorial election as claimed by Senator Mayfield, will be filed by Luther Nickels, attorney for George E. B. Peddy. Mr. Nickels will claim that Senator Mayfield announced his membership in the Klan during a speech which he made in an East Texas town. Mr. Nickels charges that during the course of this speech Mr. Mayfield announced that he was a klansman and "proud of it."

The work of dismantling the shrines in the tomb of Tutankhamen is making good progress. Howard Carter has been able to remove the roof of the third shrine to the ante-chamber. Like every other part of these wonderful caskets, the roof is richly decorated, the underside bearing the figure of the king, surmounted by five hawks with outspread protective wings, figures of the hawk-headed god Horus, serpents, and a representation of a monkey-headed god.

Girl Author, 16, Writes of Life in London.—Mollie Panter-Downes, a 15-year-old school girl, has published her first novel, "The Shoreless Seas." This quiet little provincial girl who wears her hair down her back, is still attending school and still thinks hockey is about the greatest game ever. She told reporters she had no opinions on sex triangles and had not an idea of her own on matrimonial problems, but her book, critics say, displays much knowledge of life. It deals with modern domestic problems.

Charges Against Cobb Dismissed.—Wharton, Texas.—Charges of violation of the State game laws, filed against Ivin S. Cobb, nationally known humorist and newspaper man have been dismissed on petitions of the County Attorney of Wharton County here. The County Judge wiped the charges from the book after he had received the petition and had investigated the case. Cobb was charged with hunting under an assumed name here two years ago without license.

# Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

## Forecasting A Tremendous Spring Demand

### 739,626

more Ford cars and trucks were produced last year than the previous year, an increase of over 50 per cent.

In spite of this tremendous increase in production, it was impossible to meet delivery requirements during the spring and summer months when orders for 350,000 Ford Cars and Trucks could not be filled.

This year winter buying for immediate delivery has been more active than ever before—and in addition 200,000 orders have already been booked through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan for spring delivery.

These facts clearly indicate that the demand during this spring and summer will be far greater than ever, and that orders should be placed immediately with Ford Dealers as a means of protection against delay in securing your Ford Car or Truck or Fordson Tractor.

## Ford Motor Company

Detroit, Michigan

A small deposit down, with easy payments of the balance arranged, or your enrollment under the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, will put your order on the preferred list for spring delivery.

See the Nearest Authorized  
Ford Dealer

## HARRY BERRY

### Lincoln Ford and Fordson

#### TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

#### THE AMERICAN WHO DISCOVERED PIKES PEAK

ALTHOUGH Pikes Peak, the most famous mountain in America, is named for Lieut. Zebulon Montgomery Pike, who first saw the "Grand Mountain" as he called it, on November 15, 1806, he failed to conquer its rocky sides. That was first accomplished on July 14, 1820, by Dr. Edwin James, a member of Maj. Stephen H. Long's exploring expedition.

Neither was Pike the original American discoverer of the sentinel of the Rockies. That honor belongs to another explorer whose name is almost forgotten and whose right to fame has been passed by. He was James Pursley, a Kentuckian. As early as 1802 Pursley was trapping in the Spanish territory across the Mississippi and he preceded Lewis and Clark, the famous explorers of the Louisiana Purchase, in some parts of the Upper Missouri country just as he preceded Pike in the Colorado Rockies.

About 1804 Pursley joined a trading expedition bound for the country of the Mandans. Arriving there he was sent with a few companions to trade with the Kiowas. But the Sioux drove the Kiowas and their white friends into the mountains at the head of the Platte river and the Kiowas, wishing to open trade with the Spanish at Santa Fe, dispatched Pursley and his men ahead to interview the governor for them. It was on this trip from the headwaters of the Platte to Santa Fe that Pursley looked upon Pikes Peak and so far as there is any record he was the first white American to do so.

After arriving at Santa Fe, Pursley was detained by the Spanish and virtually held prisoner for nearly two years. While there he met Lieutenant Pike, who had been brought there under escort of Spanish troops because his exploring expedition had ended in a trespass upon Spanish territory. At this time Pursley told Pike of having found gold in what is now South Park, Colo., north and west of Pikes Peak. He had carried away several nuggets in his shot pouch but, becoming doubtful that he would ever reach civilization where he could use them, he had thrown the precious metal away.

#### STOP THAT ITCHING

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

Baird Drug Company

#### Posted

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

W. M. ARMISTEAD, Mgr.

#### Money on Land

5 1-2 Per Cent

Why pay more? If you operate your place we can put your loan in Federal Land Bank, 33 years at 5 1-2 per cent with privilege of paying off any interest paying date after 5 years. Best loan obtainable. Write or phone 12tf

W. Homer Shanks, Sec-Treas  
Phone 48, Clyde, Texas

#### "Blue Ribbon" Bread

Loaf 10c.---3 for 25 Cts.  
Also Fresh Rolls, Cakes,  
etc every day

City Bakery  
O. Nitschke, Prop.

# DRUGS

We carry a complete line of everything to be had in an up-to-date drug store. Let us serve you. Special attention given to filling prescriptions.

PHONE 100

## CITY PHARMACY

We Never Substitute

BAIRD

TEXAS



## MEATS

We have Fresh Pork, Fresh Sausage, Steak, and cured Meats of all kinds. Also have Fresh Milk and Bread.

Phone us your orders, which will be given prompt attention.

## WARREN'S MARKET

"The Home of Baby Beef"

PHONE 130

BAIRD, TEXAS

## Plant Trees Now

Best Season in the ground in ten years. No Communities and few homes have enough home-grown fruit.

Peaches, Plums, Pears, Figs, Nectarines, Pecans, Jujubes, Berries and Other Fruits

We have new sure-bearing varieties and the old standards

Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Roses, Hardy, Climate-Proof Native Shrubs and other Ornamentals.

Catalog Free. We Pay Express. Satisfaction Guaranteed Information Gladly Given

## The Austin Nursery

F. T. Ramsey & Son Austin, Texas, Since 1875

## LADY GOT SO WEAK COULD SCARCELY STAND

After Suffering From Many Female Troubles This Lady Heard of Cardui and Took It, She Says, "Until I Was Well."

"SOME TIME AGO," says Mrs. Buena McFarland, of R. F. D. 2, Bostic, N. C., "I suffered a great deal with weakness common to women. I had bearing-down pains, my sides and back hurt, and my limbs drew. I would get so weak in my knees I could scarcely stand.

"I was very nervous, and could not rest. I didn't feel like eating. I grew thin, and did not have ambition for anything.

"I had been trying other remedies ... but did not get any better.

"Some one told us of Cardui, and what it was recommended for. I also

took a Ladies Birthday Almanac and read of a case something like mine. I told my husband to get it and I would try it.

"I saw a great improvement after the first bottle (of Cardui), so I kept it up until I was well. Now I am the picture of health."

Thousands of other women have written, to tell of the beneficial results obtained by taking Cardui, and to recommend it to others.

Cardui has stood the test of extensive use, for more than forty years, in the treatment of troubles common to women. Try it.

## PEOPLE FILE PAST THE LENIN CASKET WAS REMARKABLE TRIBUTE

People Lined Railway as Cortege Wended Its Way to Moscow

Moscow.—The body of Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik Premier and probably the greatest rebel of this or perhaps any other generation, against the system of society built up by the ages, lies in a silver-trimmed casket on a red-draped dais in the great glistening hall of the House of Unions in Moscow.

Tens of thousands of persons marched silently past the bier to take a last look upon the face of the man who led the Communist revolution which turned topsy-turvy the lives of the people of a nation of 130,000,000 and left its mark in nearly every corner of the globe. Some of those in the continuous stream passing by the casket perhaps had followed and loved Lenin, while others must have hated him, but there was almost dead silence and solemnity in the great hall, and there seemed to be prevalent more of the element of respect for the dead than of curiosity.

From early morning, when lines of soldiers with fixed bayonets, and hordes of policemen established a cordon along the streets through which the body of Lenin was to pass on its way from the railway station to the House of Unions, the crowds waited in the snowy zero weather behind these human barriers.

Soldiers lined the hall where the casket lay. The guard of honor about the casket was changed every ten minutes. This guard is composed of commissars, labor leaders and members of the executive committee of the Third Internationale. The commissars include such men as George Tchitcherik, the Foreign Minister.

The tribute to Lenin started early Wednesday morning, when the peasants of the village of Gorky, where the Premier died in a big two-story house, which once belonged to a wealthy merchant, gathered about the gates and doffed their hats as the body was brought out and carried on the shoulders of comrades to the railway station. It continued as the train slowly made its way over the twenty-mile route into Moscow and while the casket was being conveyed on the shoulders of his followers from the station to the House of Unions. From Gorky to Moscow the people stood along the railway line with heads bared, notwithstanding the bitter wintry weather.

Lenin up to the last few days before his death really took an active interest in politics. He is said to have been always the dominant spirit of those with him, this notwithstanding the fact that the autopsy revealed that it was remarkable he had survived so long, for he had been ill twenty years.

Dr. Semashko, Commissar of Health, and who had been in attendance upon Lenin for some time, spoke of the leader's last hours as he waited the removal of the funeral train here.

"Up to the last," said Dr. Semashko, "Lenin read continuously, even the recent party discussions and the last statement of M. Stalin regarding party politics, which he approved."

## MEXICAN REBELS ARE IN FULL RETREAT

General Estrada's Forces Reported Abandoning Strategic Point

Nogales, Ariz.—The rebel army under Gen. Enrique Estrada is retreating to Acambaro, in Guajarato, after abandoning the stronghold at Guadalupe, according to a message received by Governor Alejo Bay in Nogales, Sonora, at the military headquarters at Hermosillo. The message quotes President Obregon as declaring:

"This is the beginning of the end for the Estrada rebels."

War correspondents attached to military headquarters asked President Obregon concerning the evacuation and he declared it signified real loss to the rebels, considering that Estrada held an important point with the advantage of being able to choose his ground to give battle.

Milam Bonds Approved. Austin, Texas.—The Attorney General has approved \$100,000 of Milam County Road District No. 2 serials 5½s.

## 37 DEAD IN BLAST IN ILLINOIS COLLIERY

Ignition of Gas in Old Working Caused Explosion is Belief.

Johnston City, Ill.—Thirty-seven men are dead, six seriously injured and badly burned, while eight others suffered burns about the head and body in a mysterious explosion in the east side colliery of the Crerar-Clinch Company's Friday afternoon.

Fifteen who were trapped with the dead and injured in the mine were carried out by rescuers with barely a stitch of clothing upon their bodies and all the hair burned from their bodies, but excepting for their terrible experience, not otherwise hurt. When the explosion occurred there were 375 men in the mine.

Hundreds of men volunteered to go down into the mine when four Johnston City physicians stepped forward and announced their intention of braving the poisonous gases of inner recesses of the mine where the men were trapped.

The men near the entrances escaped easily, but entries No. 9, 10, 11 and 12, locked in the depths of the colliery where the actual explosion took place were fathertest from a means of escape and the men there suffered the full terror of the terrific blast.

Waiting in the cold outside the mine shaft relatives and workers were completely enveloped by the dense black smoke which turned their faces black as night. Ambulances from Herrin and Johnston City were lined up as each figure borne on a stretcher was brought up out of the smoke shaft by means of an elevator. The waiting crowds pushed forward fearful that some relative might be borne out to them.

Among the dead were Herbert McCullough, mine manager, and Jesse Ford, mine boss.

The silence of the night was broken by the wild shriek of wives and mothers of the dead men. Organizations rushed hundreds of sandwiches and gallons of coffee to the mine and distributed it freely among the women and children workers who have stood vigil since the explosion occurred.

Accidental ignition of gas in an old working of the mine caused the explosion.

Most of the dead were killed outright by the explosion, which was terrific within the two workings affected.

Fifteen men in one entry threw up a barricade against the gas, but five suffocated from the smoke that followed the blast.

## MACDONALD IS AGAINST SECRET DIPLOMACY

British Premier to Tell Public of Foreign Negotiations.

London.—Secret diplomacy will have no place in the dealings of Great Britain's new Premier, Ramsay MacDonald, with foreign countries.

Mr. MacDonald intends that the public shall be informed of foreign negotiations whenever the circumstances warrant. He also has decided that the discussion within the Cabinet shall not be kept "drum tight" as it is contended in some quarters was the case in the Baldwin-Curzon administration, but that the newspapers shall be given a communique after each session, summarizing the subjects discussed or decisions taken.

To get better acquainted with the foreign representatives accredited to Great Britain, Mr. MacDonald held an official reception at the Foreign Office for the diplomatic corps. Most of the Ambassadors, including Frank B. Kellogg, the American representative, never had met the new Premier. They were presented to him in Lord Curzon's old office by Undersecretary Crowe.

Uses Crutches to Demand Pensions.

Vienna.—A deputation of 400 cripples, 50 of whom brandished their crutches, stormed the Parliament building, clamoring for the immediate payment of overdue pensions. After two hours of speech making the demonstrators were assured their grievances would be redressed, whereupon they hobbled home, threatening to return if the promises of the Ministers were not fulfilled.

Thieves Get \$10,000 in Gems Hollywood, Cal.—Burglars who forced an entrance to the home of Pauline Frederick, motion picture actress, carried away clothing and jewelry valued at \$10,000, according to a report to the police.

## EXECUTE FIVE MEN IN JUAREZ, MEXICO

ONE OF VICTIMS HAD LOST AN ARM FIGHTING FOR VILLA; OTHERS MERE BOYS

## CAPTURE MUCH AMMUNITION

Occupation of Esperanza, Strategic Position Near Vera Cruz, Also Reported

El Paso, Texas.—Five men have been executed by a firing squad in the Juarez, Mexico, cemetery following the alleged discovery of a plot to turn Juarez over to Mexican revolutionary chiefs.

Col. Ramon Lopez, commander of the Juarez garrison, announced that a large quantity of rifles and pistols, together with ammunition, was found after the plot had been uncovered.

Four of the men were barely 25 years of age. The oldest, a former follower of Francisco Villa, had but one arm, the other having been lost while fighting for the bandit chieftain.

The men were taken from the ancient stone jail in Juarez and marched to the cemetery, followed by a crowd attracted by the grim aspect of the party.

Little time was lost after the cemetery was reached, the condemned men being acquainted with their fate during the march.

Following the usual custom of reading their sentence, the men were ordered to prepare for death. Some stood mute. Others removed their hats, took out their handkerchiefs and faced the squad.

One at a time, as their names were called, the men walked in front of the adobe wall of the grim guard-house in the cemetery and stood at rigid attention.

At the command of fire the limp form of the prisoner would fall to the ground in death throes. Immediately after the volley a "mercy shot" was administered.

Mexico City, via Laredo Junction.—The death of Gen. Fortunato Maycotte during the fighting which preceded the capture of Esperanza by federalists has been reported in messages received at railway headquarters. Maycotte was military commander of Oaxaca and revolted with Manuel Garcia Vigil, Governor of Oaxaca, shortly after De la Huerta initiated his movement at Vera Cruz early in December. Since then he has taken a leading part in rebel military operations in the States of Puebla and Vera Cruz.

The town of Esperanza, considered the most important strategic position on the railway between the capital and Vera Cruz and described as the key to Orizaba, was captured late Saturday by the federal forces under Gen. Martinez, according to an official statement made by Under-Secretary of War Manzo.

## PASTOR HURLS DEFI AT JUDGE'S ACTION

Ministers Score Jurist for His Rebuttal After the Courts Criticized

Kansas City, Mo.—Preaching to a "standing room only" congregation, the Rev. Baxter Waters Sunday defied Judge Thad Landon, who halted him before the bench last week because of his criticism of the courts.

The minister repeated without alteration the statement about the courts for which the Judge had rebuked him.

The text of his sermon was: "My Summons to Court."

Dr. Waters' sermon consisted of a blanket attack on any individual, order or organization advocating the abolition of free speech in the pulpits.

"I shall criticize conditions here as long as I am here and they warrant it," he declared. "My trip to the court has not frightened me in the least. It is a minister's duty to comment on affairs of public interest.

"Judge Landon's charge that a great many members of my congregation would be found with liquor in their homes if an investigation were made by me, I believe is very unfair, unless he has himself made this investigation.

"He cautioned me to return to my pulpit and document only on matters about which I had facts. I do not believe he has a right to tell me what I can comment on and what not.

"I repeat again that the conditions in the courts are deplorable. I beg all my listeners to co-operate in everything which will correct these conditions."

# E. Cooke

Poultry Wire  
Harness  
Paint

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

You are hereby commanded to  
summon Austin B. Upton, by mak-  
ing publication of this Citation once  
in each week for four successive  
weeks previous to the return day  
hereof, in some newspaper published  
in your County, if there be a news-  
paper published therein, but if not,  
then in any newspaper published in  
the 42nd Judicial District; but if  
there be no newspaper published in  
said Judicial District, then in a  
newspaper published in the nearest  
District to said 42nd Judicial Dis-  
trict, to appear at the next regular  
term of the District Court of Calla-  
han County, to be holden at the  
Court House thereof, in Baird, on  
the first Monday in March, A. D.  
1924, the same being the 3rd day of  
March, A. D. 1924, then and there  
to answer a petition filed in said  
Court on the 30th day of January,  
A. D. 1924, in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court No. 3112,  
wherein Gussie Upton is Plaintiff,  
and Austin B. Upton is Defendant.

Plaintiff's petition alleging in sub-  
stance that she was legally married  
to Defendant December 22, 1919,  
and lived with him as his wife until  
on or about November 15th, 1922;  
that during the time she lived with  
him one child was born, a girl by  
name of Lovvern, which said child  
is now two years old; that said  
Plaintiff at all times treated Defend-  
ant with kindness and forbearance  
and managed his household affairs  
with prudence and forbearance; but  
that defendant was guilty of adul-  
tery, neglect and failure to support  
the said Plaintiff; that he was cruel  
to said Plaintiff and that he violated  
the laws of Texas in that he gave  
cold checks and disposed of mort-  
gaged property and left the State as  
a fugitive from justice; that said  
married relations still exist between  
Plaintiff and said Defendant.

Plaintiff asks for dissolution of  
said marriage relations, for costs of  
suit and for care, custody, control  
and education of her said child and  
to any other relief she may justly be  
entitled to in law and in equity.

Herein fail not but have before  
said Court, at its aforesaid next reg-  
ular term, this writ with your re-  
turn thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal  
of said Court, at office in Baird, this  
the 30th day of January, A. D.  
1924.

[Seal] Mrs. Kate Hearn,  
Clerk District Court,  
Callahan County

## QUEER ITEMS CLIPPED FROM COLEMAN DEMOCRAT-VOICE

Editor Harry Hubert, of the Cole-  
man Democrat Voice, is not only a  
fine editorial writer, but he is a  
splendid judge of news values, pos-  
sessing a humorous satiric estimate  
of the doings and misdoings of the  
three principal equations that give  
life to this funny old planet—hu-  
man, animal and vegetable.

This humorous satire reminds one  
of the late Charles A. Dana, who for  
many years inspired the New York  
Sun not only to brilliantly scin-  
tillate, but to oftentimes blisteringly  
scorch.

From the D.V.'s issue of Friday  
last, these two whimsical news items  
are clipped:

Goats and Sheep Interbreed on Hays  
Ranch:

Is Nature changing her ways?  
Maybe so. J. S. Hays, who ranches  
on the Colorado River near Wal-  
drip, thinks so.

Mr. Hays has several lambs that

re the progeny of a cross between  
goats and sheep. There may be  
some who will say "there ain't no  
such animal," but Mr. Hays has the  
evidence to support the statement  
which he made in Coleman last Fri-  
day.

The lambs of the cross are now  
about six weeks old; they show  
sheep's wool on the folds of their  
necks while the body wool is goat  
hair unmistakably, says Mr. Hays.  
The heads of the lambs show the  
characteristics of sheep, while the  
chassis and running gear will pass  
for chevon.

Mr. Hays says the sires of the  
new progeny is a billy goat and the  
dams are Merino sheep. If the time  
should come to "separate the goats  
from the sheep" on the J. S. Hays  
ranch, a surgeon's knife will have to  
be used.

Pass the grape juice.

Part Chick-Turkey-Pheasant Fowls  
At Temple Show:

A pen of hybrid birds known as  
"turkens," a cross breed of turkey,  
pheasant and chicken, was the cen-  
ter of attraction at the annual poul-  
try show of the Bell County Poultry  
Association, held recently at Tem-  
ple.

The birds, known as Russian Or-  
loff Turkens, are owned by Mrs.  
Henrietta Crossland of Temple.  
They were hatched from eggs ship-  
ped thither from California. The  
resemblance to a chicken is more  
than that of turkey, but they are  
heavier than chickens and have heads  
like turkeys.

The meat is more tender than  
either chicken or turkey, it is said,  
and for laying purposes the birds  
know no closed season or eight hour  
day.

## Telephone Subscribers

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

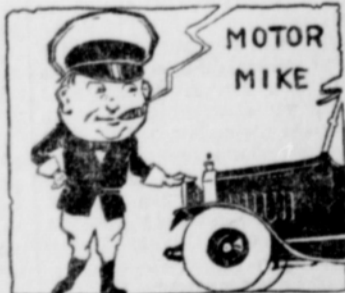
T. P. BEAPDEN, Mgr

## For Sale or Trade

Good Three Room House for  
Sale or Trade. East part of  
Baird. Will take Good Team  
Harness and Wagon part  
pay. House well located.

**B. F. Russell**

9 2t Office Court House



"I'll tell the world I never saw  
A better place to get repair,  
It doesn't matter what is wrong  
They'll fix you up down there.

We treat you fair, satisfy you  
and send you away happy.  
Come to see us no matter what  
your trouble is.

"You tell 'em grease, you're a  
slick article."

**Ramsey's Garage**

By Special Request of Many  
Satisfied Guests, I Will Repeat

**Next Sunday**

February 3rd.

The Same Sort of

**Chicken Dinner**

Served Last Sunday

At The

**T-P. Cafe**

**50c**

Vegetable, Your Choice of  
Drinks and Desert Included.

F. E. STANLEY, Prop.

**Money on Land**

5 1-2 Per Cent

Why pay more? If you operate  
your place we can put your loan  
in Federal Land Bank, 33 years  
at 5 1-2 per cent with privilege of  
paying off any interest paying  
date after 5 years, Best loan  
obtainable. Write or phone 12tf

W. Homer Shanks, Sec-Treas  
Phone 48, Clyde, Texas

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

**LOST**—North of Schafferina's place;  
two black shotes weighs about 75 or  
80 pounds apiece. Finder please noti-  
fy Joe Mitchell, Baird, Texas. 8-2tp

**FLOWERS**—Rose bushes, Chrysan-  
themums and Geraniums.  
9-4t Mrs. S. M. Tisdale.

**RESIDENCE FOR SALE**—My  
residence in West Baird.  
9-4t Mrs. C. E. Walker.

**LIGHT HOUSEKEEPING**—Fur-  
nished Room. See  
Mrs. H. M. Bailey.  
9-1t Or Phone No. 86.

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

**FOR RENT FOR CASH ONLY**  
—80 acres of land three miles west of  
Baird. A four room house. A good  
well of water and a small orchard.  
Will take \$100.00 cash.  
9-4t Mrs. Madge R. Hollis,  
Abilene, Texas.

**HEMSTITCHING**—I have installed  
a Hemstitching Machine at B. L.  
Boydston's Store at Clyde, Texas.  
Would like to do your Hemstitching.  
All work guaranteed.  
Mrs. H. S. Blalock,  
9-2t-p Clyde, Texas.

**SEWING MACHINES**—Now is a  
good time to buy a new machine for  
the extra rush of sewing. I sell both  
the ordinary and electric Singer Sew-  
ing Machines on easy terms. Also  
have second hand machines for sale.  
43-16t-p J. C. Neal, Clyde, Texas.

**MULES FOR SALE**—I have at my  
ranch 10 miles east of Baird a carload  
of mules. I will sell by carload, or  
will sell by single mule, for cash or  
on land, 12 months where notes are  
satisfactorily made. W. T. Wheeler,  
9-1f Baird, Texas.

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

**LOST**—Four hounds, one mail, black  
with yellow feet, bob tailed; three fe-  
males, one with black back, white feet  
with white ring around neck, bob  
tailed; one yellow and black; one  
white with yellow ears, brown spot on  
right side. Females has collars on  
with my name. Please notify,  
F. S. Scott  
8-2t Cottonwood, Texas.

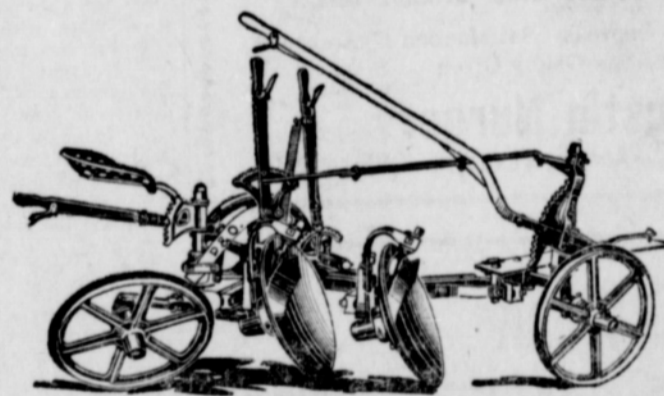
**Sam Gilliland**

Tin Work, Plumbing Gas  
Fitting, Electric Wiring.  
Gas Stoves, Gas Lights  
Bath Tubs, Sinks

PHONE 224

BAIRD, TEXAS

# Look at These Prices



P. & O. Pony Disc	\$65.00
Oliver's Pony Disc	\$65.00
P. & O. Double Disc Plow	\$100.00
Oliver's Double Disc Plow	\$100.00
Success Sulky	\$75.00

These prices will be much higher when we have to ship in any  
more. We also have Kentucky Grain Drills if you want to plant  
Oats. Plenty of P. & O. Planters and Cultivators. Also J. I.  
Case Planters and Cultivators and the prices are right.

**B. L. BOYDSTUN**

General Merchandise

Baird, Texas