

The Baird Star.

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

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FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR

Of The Editor Of The Star In Days Agone, H. A. Nichols, Of Brownwood, Dead

In the Texas Christian Advocate of March 13, I read a notice of the death of an old friend and neighbor of Brown County, H. A. Nichols, who died October 3rd, 1923, at Brownwood, and was buried at Bangs, in the old Mullens neighborhood.

His pastor, mentioning his death, said that there was no doubt in the minds of all present that one of the best men in West Texas had passed away.

Henry Nichols was born in Illinois, January 3rd, 1848, came to Texas when a boy, and enlisted in the Confederate Army at the age of 16, serving until the end of the war. In 1875 he married Miss Elizabeth McDaniel, a niece of Mrs. J. L. McPeters, of Brown County. He is survived by his wife, three sons and six daughters.

I knew both Mr. and Mrs. Nichols years before they were married, and lived within two miles of him on Hog Creek. Henry and I had many things in common. He and I were born the same year, he in the first and I in the last part of 1848, he in Illinois, and I in Washington, County, Texas.

He beat me into the Confederate Army by a year. I was preparing to leave for the army, 21st Texas Cavalry, Carter's regiment, commanded by the late Colonel D. C. Giddings, of Brenham, when the war suddenly ended, in April, 1865. I joined the Methodist Church in 1874 and the Masonic order, Brownwood Lodge, No. 179. Henry joined the same church and same lodge a year or two later.

Many a time we rode the twenty miles to the lodge and every year attended the camp meeting as well as the monthly meetings at the Old Log School House mentioned in a previous article. I always counted Henry Nichols as one of my best friends, but our paths separated in 1882, when I moved to Belle Plaine and had met him only a few times since.

At one time since then, about 1890, we spent two weeks together at the Grand Lodge in Houston. In the fall of 1921, he and his wife and two sons spent the night with myself and family on their way home from a trip West. He was in ill health then. One of his sons, with him at that time, both of whom were about grown, died a few months after that. Now Henry has passed on.

I heard that he was ill at Brownwood, where he had located after living in the north part of Brown County for more than forty-five years. It was with a feeling of profound sadness that I read the account of his death, but the memory of our pleasant associations and friendship will ever be cherished by me, as time passes.

To his widow and children I tender sincere sympathy, for I know what you have lost—one of the best husbands and fathers and neighbors Texas ever had.

W. E. G.

Baird, Texas, 3-18 '24.

SORDID LIFE HISTORY OF THE GOLF SISTERS

Mention was made in last week's Star of the sad history of two young girls, sisters, Dollie and Rosie Golf (or Davenport), aged 15 and 17 years, their home being in Cross Plains, who were committed indeliberately to the State Training School for Girls at Gainesville, by County Judge Victor B. Gilbert.

The story of their lives, as brought out in their sworn testimony before the Court, was a most sordid and unlovely one. Their environment and associations during their short life had made them what they are—incorrigible.

The oldest girl, Rosie, when questioned by Judge Gilbert, confessed that she had quit school "to help support mama," when she was in the Fifth Grade, and the younger one, whose educational equipment was on a par with Rosie's, had spent the formative years of her young life at the wash tub or bending over the ironing board "helping support mama!"

And that "mama," who possessed the full heart love of these poor girls, from the frankness with which they admitted maternal turpitude, was not the sort you would choose as moral mentor for your sheltered daughters. Yet, she was all that the sacred word mother means to those whose lives have been the most sheltered, and their hearts swelled with sorrow, and their eyes were flooded with poignant tears and their undernourished bodies were convulsed with poignant sobs—not at the thought of the long years of repression and strict discipline before them, but at the poignant thought of separation from that mother who, in her blind, invincible ignorance had done for them so ill.

Oh! wondrous love! Oh! marvelous manifestation of the loyalty of mother devotion to child and child loyalty to mother!

"Mother is weakly and not able to work," wailed the youngest of the girls, "and if you send us away what will become of her?"

POSTAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY STRINGING WIRES WESTWARD

The Postal Telegraph Company, whose service is excellent and whose rates are much lower than those of any other telegraph company, is building a five-wire line from Fort Worth to San Francisco, California, and the hole diggers, pole setters and linemen have already reached Baird and are comfortably camped under the hill, south of the old electric light and ice plant.

There are 42 men in the outfit under Foreman Charlie Smith and Chief Timekeeper W. E. Tate. This will be their headquarters for the next three weeks, when they will strike camp and move on toward the setting sun.

The P. T. Company's wires will be strung to a fiddle string tautness on poles 35 feet high and sunk deeply in the ground through Baird. In the country districts the poles will be 25 feet lead high, the highest attaining as much as 45 feet, where valleys are crossed.

Mrs. W. J. Cook and little son, Paul, are visiting Mrs. Cook's mother, in Sweetwater, this week.

A ONE-TIME BAIRD GIRL

Has "Merit" In The Superlative And More Medals Than The Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm III

Miss Emogene Orr, the 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hoover, grand-daughter of Mrs. W. L. Henry and niece of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes, who spent most of her life here in Baird, but now lives in Dallas, where, according to The News, of that city, she, as a member of Oak Girl Scout Troop of Oak Cliff High School, has won eleven merit badges between December 25 and March 1, and has been presented with the prize offered by Mrs. J. T. Persons, Second Department Commissioner of the Girl Scouts.

Miss Orr, who left Baird for Dallas two years ago, has, since that time won two gold medals for musical proficiency, and is the possessor of distinction as cook, craftsman, guardian, journalist, pioneer, scribe, stargazer, hostess and example of health. While a student in the Baird Public School Emogene was awarded five gold medals.

According to scout regulations, a girl must be a second-class scout before she may receive a merit badge in any subject. For each subject a reading list is given and at least one book on each subject must be read for each examination.

Scout Orr was to have been publicly presented with the prize at the Girl Scout Picnic, which will be held tomorrow at Flowerdale Farm, but, unfortunately, Emogene was recently operated upon for appendicitis, and is now convalescing at Baylor Hospital.

BAIRD'S SIX MOONS BRING US FUNNY OLD WEATHER

Tuesday afternoon a drizzling rain set in and it kept drizzling until shortly after midnight, when—due no doubt to the powerful influence of those six moons discovered by that gallant old Confederate veteran Captain J. L. Lee—it began to pour again, but again slackened.

Shortly before three o'clock it poured again, slackened and turned to sleet, which presently turned to hail, followed by an avalanche of snow, the flakes of which ranged in size from a dime to a quarter of a dollar, and so thick that one could not see an object ten feet away.

The ground being wet, much of this downfall dissolved, but it fell so steadily, so rapidly that by daylight there was a couple of inches shrouding the ground. Then it rained again, with occasional flurries of snow.

Yesterday it was chilly and partly cloudy, but the sun shone brightly and the mud began to dry up. No where, except in West Texas could so many varieties of weather be crowded into such a short space of time. But there's a magnificent season in the ground and the farmers are jubilant! Hip! hip! hooray!

COOKED FOOD SALE

The ladies of the Baptist Church will hold a Cooked Food Sale, tomorrow, Saturday, March 22nd, all day, at W. D. Boydston's store.

RAINIEST AND SNOWIEST YEAR IN OPLIN SECTION

Oplin, 3-19-'24.

I can't think of any year when we have had so much rain and snow. On top of the 8 inch snow we had another snow Sunday, and at this writing we are getting it in triplicate. The Oplin country sure has a fine season in the ground. Farmers can make bumper crops of every kind, with only a few summer showers to round out the season.

The late freeze thinned out the fruit, but we still will have a fair crop left if we don't have any more freezes.

The pastures are beginning to look like grain fields and in places are covered with wild flowers.

John Steakley has completed a fine bungalow, and has installed a water system and a Delco light plant. Farmers are waking up to home comforts and conveniences.

Will McKinley has also about finished his 6-room bungalow. Others are making improvements around their homes.

A number of farmers are putting in new land. There will be a sharp increase in the cotton acreage. There is practically no wheat in the Oplin country, but there is a large acreage of oats and there will be some feed planted, but am afraid there will not be enough to supply the country.

Some farmers think they can raise cotton on a few acres and buy their feed. Some years this is probably true, but not every year and, there are not many people who raise feed to sell when cotton is high and wheat may be hard to find.

A number of our people attended the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and all report a good time and a good show.

Our school tax was increased some time ago to 80 cents and the Oplin school gets \$1000 State Aid this year. The eighty cent tax will insure State Aid another year for the school. We are adding a complete laboratory and other equipment necessary to make the Oplin school one of the best in the county.

Watch Oplin and this community grow. S. S. H.

RADIOISTS TUNE IN TO HEAR HAROLD WRISTEN'S RECITAL

Harold Wristen, Baird's super-talented musician, who is now a student at the Bush Conservatory of Music, Chicago, is progressing most favorably in his musical studies. Some day, if he lives, and there is no untoward happening to his wonderful hands and he applies himself as diligently and enthusiastically to his art as he has so far done, The Star predicts that he will be heard of in the highest musical circles.

Tonight, Friday, March 21st, radio fans in Baird should "tune in" (if that's the proper thing to do) on the Bush Conservatory, Chicago, for at 8:15 p. m. (Chicago time) Harold will give a recital at that institution which will be broadcast over the radio.

Mr. and Mrs. John Asbury have returned from Fort Worth, where they attended the Fat Stock Show. They were the guests of the Mrs. A. Harmand family. They also visited relatives in Dallas and Will Maxwell, the only brother of Mrs. Asbury, at Grapevine.

SPRING TERM OF COURT

Has Adjourned After A Rather Tame Session And Judge Is Back On "Westside"

Callahan District Court finished up its business this week and adjourned, Judge W. R. Ely, who vehemently declares that "he still lives on the West Side of Baird, a scant forty minutes' auto ride from Market Street," returned to his home, District Attorney S. Milburn Long and Court Stenographer Harvey Brown packed their grips and fitted, District Clerk Mrs. Kate Hearn is busy winding up the fag end of the Court's business and Sheriff Chas. E. Bray is alertly on the lookout for new malefactors, somewhat saddened, however, by the thought that his otherwise delightful trip to Sunny California was marred—due to our funny laws—by the fact that he is out of pocket sixty odd dollars, for the prisoner he went after was acquitted by the jury that tried the case.

One of the suits adjudicated by the Court was that of The Sovereign State of Texas vs. Thomas E. Powell, Cashier of the First Guaranty State Bank of Baird and administrator of the intestate estate of the late William Burns.

The two Golf (or Davenport) girls from Cross Plains, are no longer in jail. Rosie, the youngest, in obedience to County Judge Victor B. Gilbert's order, was taken to her future home in the State Reform School for Girls at Gainesville, by Mrs. Chas. E. Bray. It is to be hoped that when she is discharged from that institution she will take her place in the world a useful citizen.

Her older sister, Dollie, who will soon become a mother, was paroled by Judge Gilbert and went back to her old home, to labor diligently at the washtub and "support mama."

E. A. Carter, who was brought hither from Long Beach, California, charged with forgery, was arraigned for trial and the jury, after mulling over the evidence for a day and a night, returned a verdict of "not guilty."

Runnell Ray, an 18-year-old boy of Cottonwood, plead guilty to the charge of burglariously entering Coffee's store, at that place and was given a suspended sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

"Red" Jones, who was convicted last week of illegally transporting liquor, and appealed from a one year sentence in the penitentiary, again made an appeal bond when he was convicted and given a 60-day's jail sentence for driving a motor car on a public highway while intoxicated.

Quite a number of civil cases were tried, the most important being the damage suit of J. R. Curtis vs. the W. L. Moody Oil Co., who got judgment in the sum of \$1960.

The 1924 Baird Coyotes Base Ball Club has put Tee-Pee Park in order and began practice work last Saturday afternoon. A strong team will be put in the field. Baird's peerless pitcher, Raleigh Ray, who has for the second time been reengaged as one of the staff of speedy twirlers of the Greenville Club of the East Texas League, will limber up his muscles and strengthen his pitching arm playing with the Coyotes until ordered to report for professional work.

Special Millinery Sale

I will leave in a short time for Big Spring to make my home and I want to close out my entire stock of Hats and Millinery before going and to do this I will place on sale, beginning at once

One Lot Hats, Your Choice \$4.75
 One Lot Hats, Your Choice \$3.50
 One Lot Hats, Your Choice \$2.50

New Trimmings Just Received

I have just received a new shipment of Hat Trimmings, Braids and All-Over Cloths for making Ladies and Childrens Hats to Order. This is a beautiful line.

MRS. DON C. CARTER

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

terial career stretched over a period of 63 years.

Lieutenant V. F. Grant, U. S. N., broke the American seaplane speed record recently when he won the Curtis marine trophy race, under National Aeronautic Association auspices, at an average speed of 116.1 miles an hour. The distance was 200 kilometers.

In addition to possessing possibly the largest poultry farm in the world, Bowie, Texas, is beginning to get ahead on the turkey industry. Though turkeys as a rule require an unusual range to make rapid propagation, Bowie during the past year shipped ten carloads of the Thanksgiving bird.

The Interchurch World Movement of North America, Inc., has wound up its affairs with all debts paid and a cash balance on hand of \$2,548.28, according to a report just made public. This was made possible, it was announced through the gift of \$1,403,000 by John D. Rockefeller Jr., and the redemption subscription pledges of thousands of small contributors.

Know Texas! Sixty miles northwest of Pecos stands the highest mountain peak in the south. It is Guadalupe peak—9,500 feet high. It stands out among its fellow as a giant among dwarfs. It has been ascended by few. Within a short distance of it are the Carlsbad Mammoth caves—the largest in the world—which the Federal Government has taken over. They will be nationalized and every gorgeous cavern explored and made easily accessible to the tourists.

WASHINGTON

Participation by the United States in two Latin-American conferences is provided under resolutions by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee adopted by the Senate. The meetings are the seventh Pan-American Sanitary Conference at Havana, next November, and the Inter-American Committee on Electrical Communications at Mexico City, March 27.

The ship liquor treaty between the United States and Great Britain, disclosed here for the first time, declared a "firm intention to uphold the principle" of the three-mile territorial limit, but authorizes search of the British vessels suspected of carrying liquor anywhere within that distance from the coast of the United States which "can be traversed in one hour by the vessel suspected of endeavoring to commit an offense."

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes has been directed by President Coolidge to investigate charges of Rear Admiral Charles P. Plunkett, commandant of the Brooklyn Navy Yard,

YOU TELL 'EM



"The dollar is as big as ever - it's the things we buy that have shrunk"

"It is the good things we have to eat that brings people to us."

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Our aim is to please every individual who patronizes our restaurant. With this idea in view, we welcome the suggestions or criticisms of everyone.

Our aim is SERVICE.

Murphy's Cafe

that Washington was "the wettest city in the United States." Commissioner Haynes was called to the White House and his attention directed to published statements by Admiral Plunkett at a police trial in New York, and asked to ascertain from the naval officer the basis of his information with a view to correcting any such condition as described.

FOREIGN

King Victor Emmanuel, who recently suffered an attack of influenza, is entirely well again.

School children of Rayners, Eng., who are both dumb and blind performed a fairly play recently.

Under a new British Government regulation all factories are now installing first aid kits for treating injured employees.

The Indian stores department, under instructions from the Indian Government, has accepted the German tender for five locomotives for Indian railways. This has caused surprise and resentment among British manufacturers, many of whom competed for the order.

Frau Kathrina von Oheimb, who often is called the Lady Astor of the German reichstag, has announced that she will not be a candidate for reelection. She says she is "sick" of party politics and prefers to work outside the reichstag, rather than as one of its members.

Statistics just published show that Paris has the lowest birth rate of any large city of the world. Ever since the war, with the exception of the year 1920, births in Paris have been steadily diminishing. Nearly 1,600 children less were born in the capital in 1923 than in 1922.

The bill passed by the recent legislative session to make the mayoralty of Manila an elective instead of an appointive office has been vetoed by Governor General Wood. It was announced at his office. Political students ascribed passage of the bill to a desire to limit the powers of the governor general.

Fiji, kingdom of the cannibal land, where savages are reported to devour human flesh with a relish, now wants to join the colony of civilized nations. There is a movement now on which Fiji can join Canada, if Canada doesn't object. That's the rub. The movement to line up the Fiji islands, as a Canadian possession, in much the same relation as Hawaii bears to the United States, apparently is backed by some of the "better citizens" of Fiji.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States was charged by Senator Brookhart (Rep.) Iowa, with "attempting to become the super-government of the United States."

President Coolidge will be guided by advice of the special oil council in acting on E. L. Doheny's offer to continue tank construction work at Pearl Harbor, it is said at the White House.

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

Julian Sterling, 79, widely known newspaper correspondent and writer, is dead. He was one of P. T. Barnum's first publicity agents.

Archibald Roosevelt, son of the former President, has called for

muda for a three weeks' vacation at the home of his cousin, George Roosevelt. He was accompanied by his wife.

Mrs. Blanche Tullock of Schenectady, N. Y., is in the Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia for an operation for the removal of a tooth which has been lodged in her right lung for three years.

A committee of 50 will control the price of corn in America if the National Farmers' Union succeeds in its plan outlined in Kankakee, Ill., at the convention of Corn Belt farmers by Paul B. Talbot of Des Moines, Iowa.

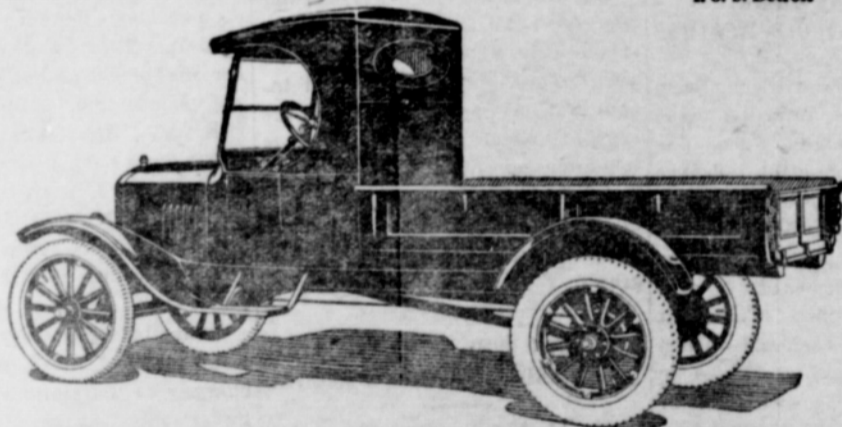
Mrs. Isaac Goldberg, widow of Highland park, sued for her dower right in her husband's \$125,000 estate. She admits signing away her dower claim before marriage, but asserts she was unable to read.

The 1924 Hand Book of Automobiles, issued by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, shows—illustrations of 212 models of cars. The total number of car models and truck chassis listed is 738.

Rabbi William Armhold, 95 years old, the oldest rabbi in the United States and reader emeritus of Keneseth Israel Temple, Philadelphia, died in Atlantic City recently. His minis-

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Loaf 10c---3 for 25 Cts.
 Also Fresh Rolls, Cakes,
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PHONE 224

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We have just received a full line of the "Cowden" Play Suits for the little folks.

New Dresses

in both the Silks and Linens. No trouble to show them.

New Dress Goods

Canton Crepes, Crepe-de-Chine, Linens in all colors. "Indian Head" Linens in all colors. Also New Gingham.

New Blouses and New Sport Skirts

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PHONE 23.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

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ALL HOME PEOPLE

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

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Comfort and Pleasure Are Our Concern

We want you to know that we want to help you, and that this bank is always ready with its MEANS and SERVICE to assist in building up this town and community.

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PERSONALS

Phil Schwartz, of Dallas, spent Wednesday with his brother, H. Schwartz.

O. C. Hawk, after several month's absence, is back in town. He has grown into a fine looking young man.

L. N. Hays of Dallas, spent one day this week with his brother, Dr. A. R. Hays and family.

Don't fail to read the illustrated story "Old Three Toes Laid Low," on another page.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wilson, of Albany spent last Sunday with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. White.

The progressive Wednesday Club has donated \$60 to the Baird Public School to purchase library books for the use of pupils in the Intermediate Grades.

H. Schwartz, O. B. Jarrett and Mrs. J. J. Price attended the Annual meeting of the I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly held at Fort Worth this week.

Miss Margaret Haggart, whose home was in Fort Worth, but who now lives in Houston, is visiting at the home of her aunt and uncle, Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Hays.

Lawrence and Grant Bowles, Jr. have bought the R. L. Alexander stock of furniture. They are remodeling the store and have ordered a full and up-to-date stock of furniture. See their ad on last page.

Mrs. Ernest Hill has returned to her home on the Bayou, after spending the past five weeks in Baird, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Virgil Jones and others. She was operated upon for appendicitis while here, from which she is happily convalescing.

Mr. Bennett, with his father will open a "Self Serve Cash Grocery Store" here spent the past week here making preparations to open the store which will be about the 1st of April. Mr. Bennett returned to Coleman yesterday to spend a few days. The new business will occupy one of the Terrell buildings.

Play Promoter Emerson Deliscus Merrill requests The Star to announce that because of weather conditions the date of the play "Light-house Man," for the benefit of the Band Stand Fund, has been postponed from tomorrow night to some date next week, due notice of which will be given.

Peach trees in Baird have been blooming for more than a month, and during the cold rain and snow this week, several peach trees were noted in full bloom and with half grown leaves, which illustrates the fact that Texas weather not only fools the weather prophets but the fruit trees as well.

The program of the District League Conference, which appeared in these columns last week, will be held at Baird at a later day. The exact time has not yet been set. It was to have been held Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week, but because of a conflict, the date was changed.

W. H. Ground, who is spending some time at Mineral Wells with his family, came to Baird on a visit to his brother, S. A. D. Ground and family this week. Mr. Ground lives at Clarendon, and this is the first time he has met his brother's family in 44 years, though he and S. A. D. have met a few times during the intervening years.

Miss Mabel Ground, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. D. Ground, who recently underwent a surgical operation at Kansas City, is doing fine and is expected home the last of this week; but the doctor tells her that she can not go to school any more this season. That is going to be hard on Miss Mabel, who is a hard student as well as one of the hardest working girls in Baird, always busy and always ready and always willing to help her parents.

HATS! HATS!

SPECIAL FOR
Friday, Saturday & Monday

One Assortment of Ladies and Childrens Spring Hats, Special for these three days at

\$1.95 \$2.98. \$3.85

Our New Fancy Silk Crepes, Taffetas and Canton Crepes are here

Spring Footwear

Look at our Shoe Window. We have on Display a Beautiful Line of Satin, Suede and Patent Leathers in the latest styles and shades.

Silk Specials

LOT No. 1.—One Lot Beldings, Satin, Jersey Silks and Silk Poplin, at per yard

\$1.69

LOT No. 2—Foulard, Satins and Taffeta. This is also Belding's Silk. Per yard

\$1.49

LOT No. 3—Crepe-de-Chine, Georgette Crepe and Printed Silks. Per Yard

69c

LOT No. 4.—Silk Shantung Per Yard

89c

LOT No. 5.—Fancy All Over Silk Lace, Specially Priced at

1-2 Price

B. L. BOYDSTUN

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

ADVERTISING FOR HIGHWAY BIDS WAIT ON UNCLE SAM

The new survey of the Bankhead Highway, which will eliminate all railroad grade crossings, will also shorten the travel distance between the Eastland and the Taylor County lines approximately three miles.

The delay in advertising for bids on the first section of the highway, from the Eastland County line to the new Mexia Creek Bridge, according to County Judge Victor B. Gilbert, is because the Federal Bureau of Highways has not yet put its O. K. on the survey.

MR. JONES FOR COMMISSIONER

To the Voters of Precinct No. 1:
Having announced for County Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, I feel this is a very responsible place to fill and will appreciate the support of the voters.

If elected I will serve you to the best of my ability.

Respectfully,
Virgil F. Jones.

WHY THE STAR IS LATE

By a combination of circumstances, The Star was unavoidably late again this week. The main reasons were:

The worst break down of our news press we have ever had. This occurred on the first run, Thursday evening and required ten hours of hard work of four or five mechanics a good part of the time, to get the press running again.

Hard luck! But publishers have it platoons some times, just like other folks.

INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT

Notwithstanding the auditorium of the new Methodist Church building is a spacious one; it could hold two hundred Methodists, sides many of their friends, at Sunday's services. Warning: early next Sunday and get seats.

W. J. Mayhew, Pr.

FORMER U. S. AGENT TELLS OF HUGE COLLECTIONS

PAID NO MONEY TO ATTORNEY GENERAL, WITNESS TESTIFIES.

HANDLED LARGE SUMS

Means Says He Was "Money Carrier" in Deals Implying Corruption.

Washington.—More sensations—the most lurid of the lot yet developed—tumbled into the record of the Senate Committee Investigating Attorney General Daugherty. As usual they were fired off with machine-gun velocity.

Gaston B. Means, former investigator for the Department of Justice and man of many adventures, who described his present business as "answering indictments," testified that he was the "money carrier" for Jess W. Smith in various deals implying corruption.

He told startling tales of collections of money for Smith in sums ranging from \$5,000 to \$100,000 and before he finished had brought Secretary Mellon's name into a story about permits for whisky withdrawals, and said he had even once investigated Attorney General Daugherty himself for the late President Harding.

Means was careful to say that the charges against the Attorney General which he investigated then he found to be without any foundation in fact. He also disclaimed that in his testimony about Smith's alleged money collections, he had any knowledge of the Attorney General being involved, or receiving any of the money collected for Smith or one W. T. Underwood, whom he named in that connection.

At no time, in his story of money collections, did Means identify the people he said he got it from.

Specifically, Means testified that in February, 1922, at Smith's direction, at the old Bellevue Hotel in Washington, he collected \$100,000 in thousand dollar bills from an unnamed Japanese, representing Mitsui & Co., the Japanese banking house, who brought it on behalf of the Standard Aircraft Corporation to halt Government action toward recovery of overpayments aggregating \$6,000,000 on war contracts. The witness said that Smith came the same night and took the money from him.

Means further testified that at other times he collected from persons he did not name, sums running in the total up to about \$50,000, which he said were for Smith and his associates, who, in turn, he said, were protecting the owners of the Carpenter-Dempsey fight films from prosecution when they transferred and exhibited them in interstate commerce. The owners of the fight films, Means testified, were Smith, Muna, New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer; Will Orr, private secretary to former Attorney General Cummings of New York, and one Mannington.

Means said, were collected by him for Smith on account of whisky withdrawal permits, and turned over to Smith, but he had not named the amounts nor given specifications when the committee adjourned.

When he returns to the stand, Means is to be pressed for details, and Senator Wheeler, in charge of the testimony, said that the missing specifications would be supplied.

URGES THE IMPORTANCE OF WEEVIL CONTROL

South's Pre-Eminence in Cotton Growing Is at Stake, Says Ousley.

Auburn, Ala.—The South must control the boll weevil or else lose its monopoly in cotton growing to Brazil, Argentina, Australia and Africa, Clarence Ousley, director of the National Boll Weevil Control Association, declared here in an address before the Alabama banker-farmer conference.

"If I were a banker I would not lend money for cotton production without the insurance of weevil control methods than I would lend money on cotton stored in a warehouse without fire insurance," Ousley declared. "The fire risk is much less than the weevil risk." "The boll weevil can be controlled," he continued. "The method of control are not easy, but every farmer with the sense to chop cotton can learn them. They are not expensive, but they are much cheaper than the cost of weevil damage. If we do not control the weevil other lands will drive us out of the cotton business."

ROOSEVELT UNDER FIRE FOR SENDING MARINES TO TEAPOT

Walsh Charges Sending of Men to Reserve "Outrageous Use of Military Powers"

Washington.—Theodore Roosevelt, acting Secretary of the Navy, is under fire before the oil committee.

His order sending a detachment of marines to Teapot Dome to clear it of "trespassers" in the summer of 1922, four months after the reserve had been leased to Harry F. Sinclair, was characterized by Senator Walsh of Montana as an "outrageous use of the military powers."

Secretary Roosevelt also was asked about the circumstances under which he requested Sinclair to give employment to his brother, whose startling story to the oil committee led to the most sensational disclosures of the long investigation. He explained that when Archie returned from the war in 1919 he was seeking a place, and that he either saw or telephoned Sinclair asking that he employ Archie.

"What was his salary?" asked Senator Dill (Dem.), Washington.

"Ten thousand dollars a year at the start," said Secretary Roosevelt. "I think that was increased to \$15,000 later on."

Secretary Roosevelt told the committee that his order for the marines to clear Teapot Dome had been issued at the request of Albert B. Fall, then Secretary of the Interior, under what he understood was an agreement between Fall and President Harding.

This brought from Senator Walsh the charge that Fall and Sinclair wanted the marines used because if they resorted to civil action the validity of the Sinclair-Fall lease would come under review by a court, and they did not want that to happen.

"The thing in my mind then was the protection of naval property," Secretary Roosevelt said in explaining why he ordered the marine detachment under Captain George K. Shuler to Wyoming. He confirmed this by a reference to an entry in his diary made on the day the order was issued, July 29, 1922.

Senator Walsh in several statements "to the gentlemen of the committee" declared the property had passed out of the possession of the Navy Department to Sinclair and that in any event resort should have been had to the courts, from which he said speedy relief could have been had.

Senator Bursum (Rep.), New Mexico, sought to develop whether there had been a precedent for such use of the marines, but Secretary Roosevelt said officials of the department had been unable to find one in the navy records.

CLEMENCY MAY BE GRANTED PRISONERS

Army Board Impressed in Numerous Military Cases

Washington.—The special army board investigating cases of military prisoners have indicated in a preliminary report that it would recommend clemency for a considerable number.

The board reported that it was "impressed in numerous cases especially those of first offenders, with the fact that the men had learned their lessons and further confinement would not improve their condition."

The report was signed by Majors James H. Stansfield and Frank K. Ross. Of the 535 cases investigated, 80 are confined at Atlanta, 445 at Leavenworth and 10 at Fort Jay, New York.

Another board of officers will be convened soon to investigate the cases at McNeil Island, Washington, and Alcatraz Island, California.

In many of the first offender cases, the report said, the men "are ready to be placed on parole," having responded in such a manner as to enable the officers to reach a different conclusion relative to clemency. No names are contained in the report.

Sinclair Oil Company Work Stopped
Tokio.—Japanese military authorities have frustrated an attempt by J. P. McCullough and D. F. MacLaughlin, American surveyors representing Sinclair oil interests, to enter the northern section of the island of Saghalien and have taken them to the port of Otaru in Hokkaido.

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Guarantee National Bank Deposits.

Washington.—A bill to guarantee in national banks deposits of \$5,000 or less and excluding all deposits if already secured, has been introduced in the House by Representative Thomas of Oklahoma. The plan is according to recommendations made in the annual reports of John Skelton Williams while Comptroller of the Currency and would operate after the manner of the former State guaranty law of Oklahoma.

Fruit Suffers Damage

Palestine, Texas.—Freezing weather, followed by rain and sleet, has brought farming operations practically to a standstill in this section. Opinions vary as to the damage to the fruit crop, but experienced observers say material loss has been sustained. Plum trees have been in bloom for two or three weeks, and many peach trees had begun to bloom out. Hope is entertained that the early fruit, which blooms later, has escaped injury.

Forty-Five Rattlesnakes Killed.

Colorado, Texas.—Nelson Vaughn and C. C. Pritchett of Colorado captured 45 rattlesnakes out of one den on the banks of the Colorado River near here. Most of the reptiles were dispatched with guns, while others were captured alive.

Texas Postal Nomination.

Washington.—Texas postmasters nominated: Robert F. Myers, Ferris; Amos E. Duffey, Matagorda; Tolbert Hannon, Richmond; Annie K. Turney, Alpine; Olive Raoul, Gustine.

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TALES OF THE OLD FRONTIER

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

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HOW TOM SMITH TAMED ABILENE

IN THE year 1869 the cowboys who came up from Texas with the trail herds had given Abilene, Kan., the unenviable reputation of being the "wildest and wooliest" of all frontier towns west of the Mississippi. Home talent elected to the position of town marshal gave up the job after a few weeks of stormy attempt to rule. Two men imported from St. Louis came, saw—and went home the same day.

Then the job was offered to Tom Smith of Kit Carson, Colo. Smith was a quiet little man, soft-spoken, almost apologetic in manner. But as town marshal of Green River, Wyo., the previous year he had successfully held in check the tough characters of that little mushroom railroad town, then "end of steel" on the Union Pacific, and he did it with no other weapons than his bare hands.

When his appointment to the marshaling of Abilene was announced, the wisecracks croaked dismally, "He may have tamed Green River with his fists, but this is Abilene. Wait till he sees the big guns of those Texas cowboys!" And then the first official act of the new marshal was to announce that there should be no more pistol-toting in Abilene. Immediately a mighty guffaw went up. Fancy!

The first man to test out the new law was a notorious two-gun bully named Hank Hawkins. Back of Hawkins, when Smith walked up to him in a saloon, were his fellow cowboys, an ugly, scowling group. The desperado laid his hands on his weapons. "What are you goin' to do about these?" he asked with a sneer.

"There is a law against them in this town and I'll trouble you for them now," replied the marshal quietly.

"There ain't no livin' man can take 'em from me!" roared Hawkins.

Instantly Smith's fist flashed forward in a terrific blow that dropped the cowboy to the floor. Then the marshal faced Hawkins' friends.

"Boys," he said, "I'm going to keep order in Abilene, and I want every man to obey. If he don't I'll make him. You must give up your guns. They will be taken to the mayor's office, where you can claim them when you leave town."

For a moment there was an ominous silence. At any second the hand of a cowboy might go streaking to his holster. Then the silence was broken by the voice of a faro dealer.

"Mr. Marshal, that is the nerveliest thing I ever saw done. Here's my gun."

The spell was broken, and as the man handed over his weapon the crowd surged forward to do the same. Tom Smith, single-handed and weaponless, had disarmed a whole town, and Abilene was tamed at last.

OLD "THREE TOES" LAID LOW



"Old Three Toes" Meets His Death At The Fangs Of The Stanley-Phillips-Redwine Hounds

Wolves, of the timber variety, are still tolerably plentiful in Callahan County, although the Stanley-Phillips-Redwine hounds are responsible for the death of two score of the varmints since the pack got into active service. Other packs of wolf hounds in the county have also given a good account of themselves, but the wolves seem to be mighty near as plentiful as ever.

The pack above mentioned, which are owned and were trained by the Messrs. C. J. Redwine and Frank E. Stanley of this city and Bert Phillips of Fort Worth, nine in number, all being shown in the above picture, answer to the names—reading from left to right—of Ruler, Blue Racer, Big 'Un, Tramp, Tony, Heinie, Black Beauty, Ole Blue and Speedy.

The dead wolf lying in the foreground was killed by these dogs several months ago and was notoriously known among Callahan County farmers and ranchmen as "Old Three Toes." He had been some depredator in his time, with a long list of

killings to his credit. Twice it is known that he was caught in traps, but this was when he was a whelp.

On one of these occasions the jaws of the trap nipped him by one of his fore feet, but he wrenched himself free from the steel jaws, losing a toe, which gave him his name. On another occasion the jaws of the trap met in the fleshy part of the other fore leg, but he courageously gnawed the flesh away and released himself. It left a frightful scar.

"Three Toes" was killed out on the Lones Ranch, twelve miles northeast of Baird, after the dogs had trailed him for hours. They took the trail at about 9 o'clock and at near midnight they jumped Mr. Lupus. It was 5:30 a. m. when he made his last stand, and spent and worn though he was, he died fighting.

"Heinie" headed him, but "Three Toes" courageously tackled the dog, seizing him by the nose. As they struggled the balance of the pack

yelped in from the rear, there was a fierce, but brief struggle and the big wolf was stretched in death.

"The death of old 'Three Toes' was worth fifty dollars to the ranchmen and farmers of Callahan County," declared Ranchman Dick Cord-went.

"Three Toes" weighed seventy pounds and measured six feet four inches from tip to tip. His splendid pelt was made into a rug and now adorns the Fort Worth home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Phillips.

Those who participated in the hunt were "at the death": Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Stanley, Master Neal Stanley, A. Bert Phillips of Fort Worth, J. D. Williams of Marshall and "Burns the Wolf Hunter," of Bennington, Oklahoma.

Those shown in the picture, for the reproduction of which The Star is indebted to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, reading from left to right are: C. J. Redwine, Master Neal Stanley, Frank E. Stanley, J. D. Williams.

BEING NATURAL YOURSELF MAKES YOU AND OTHERS HAPPY

Enough energy could be saved to run two worlds, instead of one, if folks would be natural and say directly what they mean.

There is a lot too much intrigue and suggestion instead of directness about almost everything.

If folks would simply tell the truth and drop so much innuendo, mystery and sorrow could be avoided.

If friends find some barrier rising between them, it is the simplest thing in the world to go to each other and ask the whys and wherefores.

When a husband or wife or sweet-hearts find suspicion growing against each other, it would save much misery if they would calmly talk things over and tell each other the truth. It saves much unhappiness, this thing of being frank. It preserves friendships and keep unbroken many family ties.

There are people who go on for years in a slough of despond simply because somebody connected with a difficult situation does not "speak out." Withholding the facts often involves countless numbers into the mesh of misunderstanding.

The big men of the world do not hesitate to ask questions. It is the little man or woman who "beats around the bush."

The singer must have years of instruction in order that her voice may give forth its big quality; the actor or actress must be able to give a natural interpretation.

If education had no further value

than to eliminate self consciousness and to make people natural, it would be worth all the time, study and money it takes.

Affection is only assumed by people who pretend. Real people have too much to do to be other than just as God made them.

Since there is so much to be done in the world, since things have been going so fast, there is a tendency to simplify living and houses are not so cluttered up with silver and cut glass and useless things as they used to be. Hostesses entertain with far less pretense and are much more natural about their homes with their hospitality than they were a few years ago.

Almost every person in this big world could be charming if each cultivated the best in himself and was natural instead of trying to imitate somebody else.

Some lives are actually like patch-work they are such a hodge-podge of other peoples' influences.

Just being yourself and living your life according to your own birthright and surroundings, gives much opportunity for accomplishment and happiness.

TEACHERS PRACTICALLY TRAINED NOW AT SIMMONS COLLEGE

Practical training in teaching is now possible for the students in the Education Department at Simmons College, by special arrangement made by Dr. O. H. Cooper, head of the department, with R. D. Green, Superintendent of Abilene Schools. Under the recent plan students de-

siring a permanent certificate may teach under the supervision of the regular teachers of the city schools.

This is the first year that the law requiring supervised teaching and observation for granting of certificates has been in force, seventy-two hours in these lines being now the ruling of the State Department of the State Department of Education.

Simmons students of education through the arrangements made by Dr. Cooper will have an unusual opportunity to meet this requirement in connection with their college work, Abilene High being one of the less than a hundred high schools in the south with the "all-accredited" rating.

Prospective teachers among the Simmons student body have been availing themselves of this work in supervised training and observation for several weeks now; some have been acting as supply teachers, for which credit is given on the supervision requirement.

Practice teaching in elementary subjects in the public school wards, according to Dr. Cooper, is a much better means of observation of methods and practical work than the old system of model schools, because it is the real thing, in actual operation.

NOTICE OF BAIRD CITY ELECTION

By authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Baird, Texas, I hereby order an election for said City, on the first Tuesday of April, 1924, the same being April 1, 1924, for the election of One Mayor, Five Aldermen and One City Marshal.

J. I. McWhorter, Mayor
14-41 City of Baird, Texas.

COOLIDGE TAX CUT NOW IMPOSSIBLE

Senator Robinson Says Message of President Relative Tax Appeal Comes too Late.

Washington.—House Republican leaders have definitely turned down the request of President Coolidge for a resolution making effective immediately the proposed 25 per cent reduction in income taxes payable this year.

Representative Longworth, Republican leader, told Mr. Coolidge the parliamentary situation would not permit action on such a resolution before March 15, when first installments on taxes must be paid.

At the same time, the revenue bill passed by the House and containing provision for the cut in 1922 taxes was assaulted by Secretary Mellon before the Senate Finance Committee. The Treasury Secretary insisted it would bring about a Treasury deficit of at least \$55,000,000 in the fiscal year 1925.

Preceding the death of the resolution proposal an attack on the President's request was made in the Senate after a suggestion from Senator Reed (Rep.) of Pennsylvania that action on the resolution be instituted there. Chairman Smoot replied that, although the constitution specifies only that revenue-raising measures must originate in the House, a resolution asking a reduction in revenue would undoubtedly be considered by the House as unconstitutional if action on it were first taken in the Senate.

Senator Robinson of Arkansas, Democratic leader, led the attack on the proposal, declaring the President's message "comes too late" and charging that the executive merely wanted a free hand to veto the revenue bill itself.

Mr. Longworth declared the proposal dead after a conference with Republican leaders, including advocates of the proposal who had started an eleventh-hour move to put it in motion.

AUSTRIA REBUKED SEEKING FREEDOM

Oppose Country's Effort to Withdraw From League.

Geneva.—Austria has been rebuked by the Council of the League of Nations. Having balanced their budget the Austrians want to free themselves from league control, but the council, after hearing Dr. Zimmermann's report, adopted a resolution that "the Austrian Government entered into a solemn undertaking and that league control can be withdrawn only when the permanent equilibrium of the budget is established and the financial stability of Austria assured."

Austria wants the use of public works without league supervision of 200,000,000 crowns remaining from the original loan. The council said that the request would be studied, but that bondholders must be protected and the Vienna Government should understand the loan could be used only for purposes approved by Dr. Zimmermann and under his direction.

Dr. Zimmermann in a statement to the correspondents said it would be a mistake to say that the success of Austrian reconstruction had already been achieved. Splendid progress had been made, but it was doubtful whether present high taxation could be maintained, he said.

He admitted that Austria had benefited industrially by the occupation of the Ruhr, which obliged the Germans to patronize Austrian factories.

Loan \$100,000,000 to France.

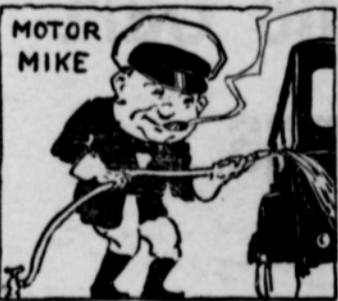
New York.—Establishment of a banking credit of not less than \$100,000,000 in favor of the Bank of France has been arranged by an American banking group, headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., it has been announced. The loan is fully secured by gold held in the vaults of the Bank of France, which is acting for the French Government, and will be used to stabilize French exchange and for such other purposes as the French Government may determine.

Rear Admiral to Be Relieved.

Galveston, Texas.—Rear Admiral Sumner E. W. Kittelle has been relieved as commander of the destroyer squadron of the battle force of the United States Navy by Rear Admiral F. H. Schofield, who is en route here from Washington.

Big Cattle Sale Brings \$59,200.

Fort Worth, Texas.—One of the largest cattle deals in the State for several months was consummated when W. W. (Uncle Billy) Marrs of Fort Worth sold 640 coming 4-year-old steers to Kansas buyers for a consideration of \$59,200.



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Pat Neff for President sounds like a joke, but a joke some times come true. We recall an instance in local politics some thirty years ago when a candidate for a certain county office was nominated as a joke, but when the ballots were counted he was elected.

The Republicans went into power with a proclaimed determination of turning the rascals out, but they seem to have turned in more than they turned out.

We do not recall that in the past fifty years six cabinet officers and ex-cabinet officers were tangled up with so many graft schemes.

An official's or ex official's politics does not count; the only thing that counts with these grafters is: "Can the employe deliver the goods?" That is why cabinet and ex-cabinet officers seem to have been able to draw down twenty-five to fifty thousand dollars a year for their "influence," not their legal ability.

Some of these cabinet or ex-cabinet officers never, perhaps, earned five thousand dollars a year, and right now some of them are drawing fifty thousand a year!

All newspaper men will regret that E. M. McLain got mixed up in the oil scandal, especially that he thought his loyalty to his friend Fall required him to make a false statement before the Inquiry Committee.

One thing sure, we will stand by a friend as long as any one, but none of them need expect us to swear a lie for them, in court or anywhere else. Friends have no right to make such a demand.

One thing about McLain is that in one sense he is not a representative newspaper man. His grandfather and father made the money long before his day and about all he does seems to be having a good time, spending what his forebear accumulated.

Some of the candidates for Governor are demanding the repeal of the Open Port Law, passed under Hobby's administration. We recall that a number of ships were tied up in Galveston in 1920 by a strike of the dock workers. On one of the ships was seventy tons of news print paper, intended for Texas newspaper publishers.

Governor Hobby, after the port of Galveston had been closed for two months under this law, ordered troops to Galveston and the ships unloaded. In the meantime the newspaper ship

had been sent to Port Arthur, where it was discovered that some one—perhaps while the ship was in Galveston—had opened the seacocks in the bottom of the vessel and the entire 140,000 pounds of paper ruined.

That piece of vandalism cost the publishers thousands of dollars, because of a corner in the paper market; the government took hold of the matter and allotted so much paper to each State. That entire consignment of news print was intended for North Texas, and holding out that shipment of paper forced the price up to fourteen cents per pound and over.

That little affair cost The Star fifty dollars cold cash in one month. That was not the worst of it. Hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of Spring dry goods were on the ships held there idle in port that merchants lost heavily upon, no one will perhaps ever know how much.

We have never seen any good reason why the law should be repealed. The only excuse we ever heard was that during the strike two years ago, Governor Neff was charged with misusing this law to keep traffic moving in some railroad centers. Is that any excuse? Because a hundred or two dock workers at Galveston were dissatisfied with their wages, people all over Texas were forced to pay exorbitant prices for goods and, as in the newspaper business, pay 100 dollars or more for paper in one month.

People have a right to quit work to go out on a strike in a body, but they have neither the moral nor legal right to stop traffic on land or sea to the great inconvenience and loss of the public. That seems to be the question involved in the Open Port Law, and people should know what it means to let a few dock workers at Texas' main seaport have the right to inflict great loss upon the entire State, because a few hundred dock workers were not satisfied with their wages.

**INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
CONTESTANTS ARE BUSY**

Entrants in the coming Callahan County literary contests and athletic events to be held at Baird on Saturday, March 29, are busy all over the county, and tryouts are being held daily that presumptive winners may qualify for the county tests, whose victors will go to the District Meet.

The local declamation contest was held in the School Auditorium last Tuesday night. The following were the winners:

Senior Boys: John Alexander, first place; Roy Stringer, second.

Senior Girls: Salome Alexander, first place; Helen Ogilsvy, second place.

Junior Boys: Reeves Hickman, first place; Vernon Johnson, second place.

Junior Girls: Mildred Bell, first place; Madge Holmes, second place.

There were three classes of entrants in the spelling contest, which was held in the School Auditorium Tuesday afternoon, as follows:

Senior Spellers: Marguerite Neumann, Emma Burks.

Junior Spellers: Bonnie Bell James, Vernon Johnson.

Sub-Junior Spellers: Mary Blackburn, Dorothy Halsted.

Essay Writing, Music Memory, Track and Field Event tryouts will be held today.

**LERLENE BOYD'S 9th BIRTHDAY
MOST FITTINGLY CELEBRATED**

It is a very important and eventful period in a little girl's or boy's life when their natal day rolls round, and it is a very pleasant custom to celebrate it annually.

Little Miss Lerlene Boyd arrived at life's ninth milestone last Friday and she'll remember the event for

many years to come, for a round score of her boy and girl friends united in making the day a red letter one.

On the afternoon of the important day little Miss Lerlene's boy and girl friends, a score in number, assembled at the hospitable home of Mrs. Stella Green and such larks! Oh my! They played games, sang songs, gossiped like magpies and had a most glorious time.

There were intellectual features also, a reading by Alpha Marie Elder and songs by Willie Mae Smartt, Lucille Loveless and the Finch twins, Lorene and Dorene. Most delicious cake and fragrant hot chocolates were served. Those partaking, not counting the honoree, were:

Lena Rose Boyd, Lerlene's cousin, who came all the way from Strawn in the latter's honor, and from Baird Lodema Gibson, Lucille Loveless, Dorene and Lorene Finch, Lola Faye Perriman, Alton Perriman, Phaxton McGowen, Robert Green, Buddy Hart, Beatrice Hickman, W. L. Boyd, Alpha Marie Elder, Maxime Williams, Howard Bray, Melba Bray, Willie Mae Smartt, Mary Joe Hart and Pauline Brooks.

**THE BERRY BOYS' RATTLER
EXTERMINATING EXPEDITION**

George and Grover Berry, Morgan Stokes, et al sallied forth last Sunday and tackled two rattlesnake dens on the Berry Bros. Ranch, east of Baird and killed 125 of the reptiles, 95 in one and 30 in the other den.

Only two of the reptiles killed were small, having but two rattles. The others were all old timers, from three to five feet in length, one, the biggest of the bunch, weighing 40 pounds and sporting 18 rattles and a button.

The snakes were pulled out of the dens, writhing and spitting venom, with a long pole to which a hook was attached and, so Morgan Stokes averred, the stench made some of the boys sick.

PROGRAM AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

The following program will be rendered at the Church of Christ next Sunday at 6 o'clock p. m.:

Subject: Bible Heroes.
Song: Class.
Prayer: Roy Price.
Paper, "Elijah, the Brave Reformer"; Opal Corn.
Paper: "Isaiah, the Statesman and Prophet"; Durward Elder.
Bible Lesson, Romans 11th Chapter: Taught by Brother Cooper, of Abilene Christian College.

Before the real hot weather is upon us, why not make Baird a Spotless Town? It is badly in need of it, heaven knows. United action will save doctor's bills and—perhaps—save human life.

IN MEMORIAM C. H. ROBINSON

C. H. Robinson was born in Illinois, May 31, 1846. He was united in marriage with Martha C. Proctor in 1868. To this union nine children were born, seven boys and two girls.

The Robinsons moved to Texas in 1906. The deceased united with the Methodist Church when twenty-three years of age but later joined the Freewill Baptists and lived a true Christian life until the Death Angel called him away, February 24.

He is survived by his disconsolate widow, three daughters and one son to mourn his loss, Mrs. Lizzie Conley of O'Donnell, Mrs. Rosie Richardson of Tuscola, Mrs. Myrtle Burden of Baird and C. D. Richardson of Eastland, a number of grandchildren and hosts of friends.

His body was laid to rest in Clyde Cemetery, Monday, February 25, 1924, funeral services being conducted by Reverend Messrs. Stutta of Abilene and Durham of Clyde.

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Morse, La.—Mrs. L. P. Lambert, who has been a popular school-teacher here for several years, recently told a visitor of her interesting experiences with Cardui.

"Just before my . . . came on," said Mrs. Lambert, "I would ache all over. My feet, my toes, my arms, hands, head—my whole body seemed to be in one awful pain. I would grow so nervous that I could not hold a cup in my hand. My husband would have to hold my coffee for me to drink. Last fall I was in such a bad condition that I had to spend about three days in bed every month. It seemed to me that I was on my last go-round."

Then one day, said Mrs. Lambert, she happened to read about Cardui and the experiences of some women who had been helped by it. "I felt that Cardui might help me if I tried it," she

continued, "for I had been suffering with similar troubles to those mentioned there. I had heard of Cardui all my life and I knew many women who said they had been helped by it. The very next day I began to take it.

"Very soon after, I began to notice my improvement. I kept on till I felt like a different woman. I gained in weight from 98 pounds to 115 and felt better than I had in years. I took six bottles right along and found it a splendid tonic. My suffering was partly due to a run-down condition and the Cardui stimulated my appetite and helped me to gain the strength I needed. . . . I take a bottle every now

and then, even now, just as a tonic to keep up my strength, but I am in better health than I have been in for years."

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HOUSE APPROVES FORD OFFER FOR MUSCLE SHOALS

Opponents Fail in Amendment to Put Manufacturer Under Federal Water Power Act.

Washington.—Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals, pending before Congress for more than two years, has been approved by the House.

By a vote of 227 to 142, the McKenzie bill, which would authorize acceptance of Ford's bid, was passed and sent to the Senate, where there is uncertainty as to what action, if any, will be taken on it at this session.

Continuously before the House for a week, the McKenzie measure was approved virtually in the form in which it was reported by the Military Committee, which had been informed by Mr. Ford that he would take over the Government's nitrate and power project on the Tennessee River under the terms embodied in the bill.

To the last, advocates of the Ford offer resisted attempts to modify the proposed contract. Amendment after amendment, aimed at the heart of the bill, was thrown out by decisive vote.

Attached to the bill, however, was the Madden amendment, approved by the Military Committee, which obligates the Government to replace the Gorgas steam power plant, recently sold to the Alabama Power Company. Provision is made that this plant, which is not to cost, with a transmission line to nitrate plant No. 2, more than the \$2,472,487 received for the Gorgas property, is to be sold to Mr. Ford, along with nitrate plants Nos. 1 and 2 and the Waco quarry, near Russellville, Ala.

Under terms of the bill, Ford will have the right to lease for 100 years dams Nos. 2 and 3 at Muscle Shoals and adjacent power stations.

Outnumbered, but fighting stubbornly to the last roll call, opponents of the offer made a futile last minute attempt to bring him under the terms of the Federal water-power act, thereby limiting his lease to fifty years, and to keep in the bill an amendment adopted recently, which would enable the Government to "recapture" the properties in the event the Detroit manufacturer failed to live up to his contract in any particular.

On the demand of Chairman Madden of the Appropriation Committee, one of the leading Ford offer advocates, a roll call was demanded just before the final vote on the amendment, and it went out of the bill by a vote of 197 to 176.

Party line was disregarded to a large extent on the final vote, although Democrats as a rule supported the bill.

On the final vote, 57 Republicans and 170 Democrats supported the bill, while 122 Republicans, 19 Democrats and 1 Farmer-Laborite opposed it.

FINANCING MEXICAN REVOLUTION IS DENIED

Doheny, However, Admits \$5,000,000 Loan to Obregon Regime.

New York.—Edward L. Doheny, denying the charge of Senator Wheeler that he, with Sinclair and other interests, had financed a revolution against the Mexican Government, declared that he had loaned \$5,000,000 to the Obregon Government which enabled it to put down the rebellion.

Doheny said Wheeler's statement was made with reckless disregard for the truth.

"I would have been a fool to finance gun runners into Mexico," he said.

"Senator Wheeler's statement, as reported in the press, that he expects to show that E. L. Doheny and others furthered a revolution against the Obregon Government in Mexico," said Mr. Doheny, "is absolutely false, just as false as his previous statement of Feb. 19, that Messrs. Sinclair, McLean and I had held meetings in the apartment of Attorney General Daugherty."

Make Survey of El Paso. El Paso, Texas.—Under the direction of G. N. Holton, member of the State Fire Insurance Commission, a complete four months' survey of El Paso was begun with a view of readjusting fire insurance rates. The survey is expected to result in a material reduction of charges.

Church Rents Cotton Land. Floydada, Texas.—The Methodist Church at McCoy has rented 75 acres of land in that community to plant in cotton, proceeds of which will go into a building fund for the erection of a suitable churchhouse.



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To Examine Harry K. Thaw.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Common Pleas Court No. 5 granted a petition for a jury trial to determine the sanity of Harry K. Thaw. Ten days' notice must be given to his mother, who is "committee of his person," and to the trustees of his estate before the case can proceed. Thaw is confined in the Pennsylvania Hospital for Mental and Nervous Diseases here. Recently a civil suit for damages brought by Frederick Gump Jr., of Kansas City for an alleged assault in New York was settled out of court.

The Senate has asked that income tax returns of a number of individuals and corporations connected with the oil inquiry be opened to investigation by the Oil Committee.

Five hundred thousand dollars, to be loaned to farmers in drought-stricken areas of Texas for planting this spring, is asked in a bill offered by Representative Hudspeth of Texas.

FOREIGN

Three hundred persons were burned to death, suffocated or died in panics as a result of a fire which swept the important town of Chowtsun, forty miles east of Tsianan, Shantung province, China. Several hundred others were injured.

Discovery of a new poison gas that will persist for seven or eight days after its discharge, is reported by F. N. Pickett, of London, who had directed the breaking up of thousands of gas cylinders and shells in France since the World War. Hitherto deadly gases have lasted for a very short time.

For many years Carl Sternheim boasted of his covetousness and his knack of accumulate. Among his neighbors he was known as a greedy man, and he did not deny it. Sternheim died recently. The day after his funeral a chalked signboard appeared as a tombstone. It read: "Here lies C. S. He wanted everything excepting this."

Modern dances with special mention of the "shimmy" and the "camel's step," are severely condemned by the Osservatore Romano, organ of the Vatican, in an article endorsing the recent stand taken by the Archbishop of Quebec, Cardinal Begin. "Jazz" is also denounced. The article says one of the causes of recent flagrant immorality is the modern dance.

Negotiations are continuing between the Mexican government and backers of the proposed \$25,000,000 loan with the object of increasing the amount to \$40,000,000, it is learned from an authoritative source.

S. H. Thompson, Princeton, won the 120-yard high hurdles in the finals of the Oxford University sports, his time being 16 seconds. Thompson also won the weight-pulling finals with a put of 41 feet 7 inches. In the 220-yard hurdles he finished second.

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To The Citizens of Baird and Callahan County:

We take this means of bringing your attention to the fact that we have purchased the R. L. Alexander Furniture Stock and intend continuing the business at the old stand.

We have made extensive purchases (which stock will begin to arrive within a few days) and are completely renovating and rearranging the store, so that we may be better able to serve you.

We shall endeavor to keep a complete stock at all times, and will appreciate your kindness in paying us a visit, before buying elsewhere.

We also want to call your attention to the fact that the Bowlus & Bowlus Furniture Store has no connection with the Bowlus Lumber Yard; the two are distinct and separate; the only similarity being in the name.

Drop in and see us, and look over our bargains.

Yours Truly,

W. L. Bowlus

W. G. Bowlus, Jr.

FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES

The following announce themselves as candidates for the Municipal offices in the City of Baird printed above their names. Election Saturday, April 5:

For City Marshal and Water Commissioner:
Chas. W. Conner
Ed Lambert

vote.

Baird's debaters were the Misses Elouise Haley and Lucile Farmer and Masters Hugh Ross and Jack Neumann.

The decisions of the judges, both here and at Eastland, pretty accurately reflects the concrete sentiment of the American people. Where you will find two persons earnestly favoring the entry of the United States into the League of Nations you will find ten bitterly opposing it.

FREE HEALTH CLINIC FIELD DAY

Miss Stella Carter, public health nurse, assisted by the physicians of Baird, will hold a free clinic on Field Day Saturday, March 29 at the Public School Building, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m. and lasting all day.

This clinic is especially for children of pre-school age, but any children who were absent when their school was visited by Miss Carter will be admitted to this clinic. Parents will please make note of this.

POLITICAL CANDIDATES

For County Judge:
Victor B. Gilbert

For County Clerk:
Rob Cochran
Grady G. Respass
S. E. Settle
Mrs. John Fraser.

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 Commissioner Precinct No. 1:
Virgil F. Jones

For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
J. H. Carpenter, reelection

For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
J. S. Yeager, reelection.

For County Attorney:
B. F. Russell, reelection

For Constable Precinct No. 1:
Lunceford Hill.

Notice Of Application For Probate Of Will

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 for at least once each week for a period ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof; or three successive weeks or issues in said paper:

Notice of Application for Probate of Will

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of Charles Eugene Walker, Deceased:

Miss N. Walker has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said Charles Eugene Walker, Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in April, A. D. 1924, the same being the seventh day of April, A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in Baird, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the first day of the next term thereof 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 19th day of March, A. D. 1924.

(Seal) Grady G. Respass, Clerk
County Court,
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SUNNY CALIFORNIA IS VERY FAR FROM BEING ARID SPOT

Sheriff Chas. E. Bray left Baird Thursday, February 28, for Sunny California, armed with a requisition signed by Governor Pat Neff on the Governor of California, for the delivery to him of the body of one E. A. Carter, an oil driller, late of Cross Plains, who had been captured and locked up in jail at Long Beach, California, on the strength of a warrant issued in Callahan County, charging him with having forged the name of W. B. Brown to a promissory note for \$150.

The Sheriff returned to Baird Monday, March 10, with his prisoner, who was released from custody as soon as he reached here, his bondsmen meeting him at the train. When Sheriff Bray reached Long Beach and demanded his prisoner it was discovered that there was something wrong with his requisition papers, and he was obliged to traverse the whole length of the State, to San Francisco and Sacramento, to get the requisition straightened out.

It was the Sheriff's first visit to the Sunshine State, and he was particularly impressed with the fact that although the Eighteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution is supposed to be equally enforced all over Uncle Sam's broad domain, it was assuredly more honored in the breach than in the observance on the Pacific Slope.

"You can get booze and plenty of it, anywhere that I went," he told The Star man. "Why in San Francisco, at the hotel where I registered, which by the way was a very pretentious establishment—four hundred rooms and furnished like a

king's palace—the uniformed bellhop who piloted me to my room, made this announcement when he ushered me into my quarters:

"If you want anything to drink sir—any liquor—just give me your order and I'll bring it to you right away, or, if you should want any later, just press that bell and I'll give you quick service."

"And," continued Sheriff Bray, "right opposite the jail at Long Beach, there were three saloons and they were sure doing a land office business, judging from the number of people going in and coming out. Oh, California is no arid desert spirituously speaking."

TWO FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS TO FOUR AGAINST COMPACT

Baird's High School "League of Nations" debaters, who were awarded four points on the negative side in their recent contest here with Eastland High's boy and girl orators, were equally successful last Tuesday night, when they journeyed down to our sister city, under the chaperonage of Superintendent J. R. Boren, returning home on the Sunshine.

The question presented for debate was: "Resolved, that the United States join the League of Nations." Baird had the negative side, Eastland the affirmative. In the debate here the three judges voted two affirmative to one negative for the girls and gave the boys three negative votes.

At Eastland the result was the same but reversed, the girls getting three negative votes and the boys two affirmative and one negative

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