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## BOOTED GAME 'WAY YONDER

### That's What The Coyotes Did After Winning A Pitcher's Battle In 7 Innings

At T-P Park, last Sunday, the Baird Coyotes won a pitcher's battle from the Albany All Stars in seven innings and then, in the eighth and ninth innings of said fracas, deliberately booted the game away.

When the Coyotes are right they are a blamed good baseball machine, but when they take a notion to ascend into a higher atmosphere, they are absolutely hopeless and rotten. It is impossible for them to get anything coming their way; they just don't seem to understand what they are trying to do.

Alibi offering is a very unsatisfactory way of alleviating the sting of an undeserved defeat; however, be it said, that the Coyotes did a little too much Fourth of July celebration, some of them attending the big dance at Abilene and getting home about 4 a. m.; this affected their playing to some extent; and too, the hoodoo and superstitious inclinations of some of them may have had something to do with the defeat, since this was the thirteenth game of the season.

Baird scored one in the fifth, on successive singles by L. Ray, Bryant Bennett and Frank Gibson (Gibson pitching for Baird); in the sixth G. Hall struck out, but the catcher missed the third strike, Gus beating out the throw to first; he then stole second, third and home. Karl Hall walked, stole second and third and scored on L. Ray's single; whereupon Albany changed catchers. In the eighth, Baird scored two more on singles by Bouchette, G. Hall, E. Hall, Bennett and Raleigh Ray.

Albany could do nothing with Gibson's delivery for six innings, but in the seventh they scored one on two errors and no hits. Then, in the eighth, Matthews scratched a hit (should have been an easy out). Nixon got a clean single and scored both runners with a tripple.

This tied the score and Raleigh Ray relieved Gibson for Baird. From then on until the end of the game, it was just a question of how many errors the Coyotes could make. Ray proceeded to make a wild pitch, allowing Anderson to score and forge ahead of Baird; then, in the ninth, for Albany, after Baird, in their half of the eighth, had scored two to get ahead, the Coyotes permitted the Albany team to score three runs on one hit and seven errors.

This game ruined the perfect record of Pitcher Raleigh Ray, who had, up until this settoo, pitched and won eight games this year, this being his first defeat of the season.

Baird has now played thirteen games, winning eight for a percentage of .616. Next Sunday we will have with us the fast Sunshine Specials of Fort Worth. This team has been playing wonderful baseball, winning very consistently, and they are very anxious on this, their first visit to Baird in 1925, to add the Coyote's scalp to their collection.

The Coyotes, still feeling the sting of the defeat of last Sunday  
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## 6,000 BARRELS OIL IS CALLAHAN'S DAILY OUTPUT

Interest in the Callahan county oil field is gaining by leaps and bounds. The big companies, such as the Texas Company, Gulf Production Company, Roxana Petroleum Corporation and the Humble Oil and Refining Company have scouts, land men and geologists on the ground, and it appears now that a number of deep tests will be drilled at an early date. Callahan county is now producing about 6000 barrels of oil a day.

Gibson & Johnson have leased the J. A. Hutchison ranch adjoining Baird on the north and east, and it is rumored that they expect to drill a deep well on same.

Homer Peeples has leased the L. N. Jackson ranch north of Baird. A deep well will be commenced on same during the next 60 days. The Quaker Oil Co. has rig up and tools placed on the J. Y. Gilliland ranch, about four miles south of Baird.  
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## TELEPHONE COMPANY STRINGING NEW WIRES

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is making considerable improvement in their lines in west Texas. A considerable force of men has been working in and around Baird for ten days. This force is stringing copper wires on the toll line. The Abilene Times Sunday said that a new pole line will be placed along the highway from Roscoe to Ranger via Sweetwater, Abilene, etc., and presumably Clyde, Baird and other towns on the Bankhead Highway.

## VARNER TO BOX RYAN

Saturday night at the Baird Athletic Club's Stadium, Walter Varner, the pride of Callahan County, will meet that doughty scrapper, Harry (Dago) Ryan in a ten three-minute bout.

It will be the most interesting boxing bout that has been staged here. Both men are on their toes and full of pep. Don't miss it.  
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## COL. SYMONDS HONORED BY 33rd DEGREE MASON

Chas. O. N. Bryan, of Dallas, representing Samuel Poyntz Cochran, Thirty-third Degree Mason, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Texas, Past Master of all Dallas Scottish Rite Bodies, Chairman Executive Committee and President of the Dallas Scottish Rite Cathedral Association, whose heroic statue was set up several years ago in Hella Temple, a most unusual honor to a living man, called on Colonel George Wolsey Symonds last Friday evening and, on behalf of his employer invited Colonel Symonds to come to Dallas at his earliest opportunity, register at the hotel of his choice as Mr. Cochran's guest, and spend every night of his stay—which Mr. Cochran hoped would be at least a month—at the latter's hospitable home, where they would hold a ~~ash~~ fest each night until the wee sma' hours.

Forty odd years ago Mr. Cochran  
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## KENNARD'S BARBECUE

### At The Old Ranch Home, Ten Miles Northwest Of Baird A Gastronomic Treat

"Patsie," The Star's reliable and versatile correspondent at Eula, was "one of those present" at the Kennard Brothers' big barbecue, last Friday night, at the latter's hospitable joint ranch home, ten miles northwest of Baird and, in writing about the gastronomic frolic says:

Eula, 7-6-'25.

Well, Uncle Billy, I am going to tell The Star readers about the big barbecue given by John and Homer Kennard at their joint ranch home last Friday night, in honor of the Clyde Chamber of Commerce and their many friends in this section of the Lone Star State, and they left nothing undone to make the occasion a red letter event.

I can't even recall when I enjoyed myself as I did that night, even at the Kennard boys' ranch, whose generous hospitality is renowned.

For the occasion three fat Hereford baby beeves had been slaughtered, and their late father's old-time negro cook brought down from Abilene to do the barbecuing.

And right royally did this talented "uncle" perform his gastronomic duties. The barbecued meat prepared by him would have tempted the palates of the gods on high Olympus. Somewhere between four and five hundred guests partook of the feast and of the palatable fragments remaining there was enough to feed half that many more. To savor the substantial there was an abundance of ice cream and cold drinks of all kinds characters and descriptions.

There were some able speakers, notable among them being Dr. J. W. Hunt, President of McMurry College, Abilene; Rev. J. B. McCauley, pastor of the Clyde Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Clyde's distinguished citizen and indefatigable town booster, Homer Shanks, who kept everybody in good humor with his witty remarks.

The Clyde Chamber of Commerce was well represented and there was a host of visitors from many nearby towns: T. E. Powell, Clyde White, Walter Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Larmer Henry, Mrs. J. W. Jones, Robert L. Estes, of Baird; Dr. J. W. Hunt and family, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Moore, of St. Louis, Missouri; Mr. Robert Hennessy and family, of Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Stephenson, of Eula; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Ogle, of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barton, of Tecumseh, and many others I failed to meet in the big crush.

The Kennard boys also had as their guest their uncle, Mr. Nelson, from Johnson County. I was scrry you were not there, Uncle Billie. The boys wanted you there, for they know and admire you and their father, the late Uncle Bill Kennard, was one of your most loyal friends. I can't give the Kennard Brothers and their good wives too much praise for their splendid hospitality.  
Patsie.



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## ARMY EXPERTS HAVE NEW RAPID-FIRE GUN

### Seven-Millimeter Weapon An Improvement.

Washington.—Army ordnance experts are attempting to solve the shoulder semi-automatic rifle problem through development of a new type of reduced caliber weapon. This would increase by one-third the amount of ammunition that can be provided in front lines for the gun without any increase in weight.

J. D. Pederson, inventor and production engineer, has been employed for some time at Springfield armory to turn out the new gun, known as the seven-millimeter gun, and War department reports already show important advantages claimed for the weapon as compared to the two types of standard .30-caliber shoulder automatics with which the experts are also experimenting.

The new gun is a .276-caliber as compared to the .30 service ammunition standard.

#### Against New Ammunition Size.

The practical disadvantages of adding a new caliber of ammunition to the supply line burdens are fully realized, and may ultimately prevent adoption of the seven-millimeter gun.

As the army is now equipped, only the regular .30-caliber cartridges are needed for all rifles and machine guns, and troops can be restocked with ammunition from any depot or dump. This is a very high-power, long-range type of ammunition, and not suited to the probable short range use foreseen in war for shoulder semiautomatics.

Furthermore, it has been found far better results in the way of sustained fire, economy of weight and other particulars can be obtained with the seven-millimeter caliber.

One point already established is that the design of the Pederson seven-millimeter affords the best yet attained by ordnance experts for quick quantity production. "There is no reason to doubt," the official report states, "but that it will be easier and cheaper to put into production than any weapon hitherto designed."

#### Range of 1,000 Yards.

The new gun is built for a range of 1,000 yards, the maximum distance at which rapid sustained fire would be required. Beyond that range heavy machine-gun fire with regular .30 ammunition would be resorted to, as the shoulder gun is designed only for use against visible targets.

The gun is the equivalent in weight and size of the present Springfield army rifle. It loads with a ten-cartridge clip, ejecting the clip automatically with the last shot, and the gun and 340 rounds of ammunition have the same weight as the regular Springfield rifle and 220 rounds of service ammunition.

Because of the reduced powder charge and consequent reduced heating effect, it can be fired more rapidly and for a greater length of time without heating than either the Thompson or Gerand .30-caliber guns, and is also said to be free of lubricating and other mechanical difficulties which make the bigger guns subject to trouble under hard service conditions.

## BEAUTY OF ARKANSAS



This is Doris Pinkerton of Fayetteville, Ark., who was adjudged the winner of the statewide beauty contest. More than a thousand girls were entered in the contest. The winner will be the Arkansas entry in the annual Atlantic City pageant of beauty.

## Predicts Trip to Moon in "Jules Verne" Rocket

Boulder, Colo.—Human transportation to the moon by means of huge rockets may be a possibility in a few years—so rapid are the present day strides of science—in the opinion of Dr. Watson Davis managing editor of

## Science Service.

"I am confident that in a few years a rocket will be perfected for making a trip, a la Jules Verne, from the earth to the moon," declared Doctor Davis in an address before the eighteenth annual convention of the American Society for the Advancement of Science here. "A model for such a rocket is now under construction," he said.

Doctor Davis also foresees the day when science will make possible the transformation of idiots into citizens through scientific treatment of the glands, and an era in which millions will be fed from synthetic food of Colorado's oil shale.

## TENEMENT ARMY OF WALL STREET UNITED

### Clubhouse and Playground Provided by Corporations.

New York.—Wall street with its skyscrapers houses an office population of 800,000 by day and is held by a tenement garrison of 10,000 by night.

Wall street is the sole livelihood of this skeleton force of nightfolk. In discharge of a sense of obligation it has quietly fostered an interesting piece of citizenship work the last ten years.

The major result of the work, leaders say, has been to convert the district from New York's most polyglot belt, with 1,400 families representing 23 nationalities, into probably its most closely knit, most homogeneous community.

#### Financed by 1,000 Corporations.

The work is financed by 1,000 corporations, firms and individuals under the name of the Bowling Green Neighborhood associations.

The activity is expressed, for example, in terms of a model four-story dwellinghouse on West street for headquarters; a \$500,000 playground covering nine city lots on the river front; 25 flourishing orchestras and clubs for young people; nine social and political clubs and lodges for adults; educational classes, health clinics and community services in general which the association operates either singly or in conjunction with uptown agencies.

Irish pioneers, later joined by Austrians, Syrians and Greeks, head the census in downtown Manhattan, which also includes Slavs, Turks, Armenians, Serbs, Rumanians, Scandinavians and other nationalities seemingly too diverse ever to bring together. Yet racial demarcations, socially considered, are disappearing, association heads assert.

#### Common Employment Has Helped.

Common employment has helped toward this coalescence. Wall street buildings like the Equitable, Empire and the various banks carry on their payrolls for cleaning and other work some 3,731 women and 2,651 men of the neighborhood. They work split tricks at the start and the end of the night, as a rule, and often double in restaurants at noon. Annual earnings for families in the district, with both parents working, average \$1,800 each, according to Paul Franklin, executive director of the association.

Group activities and the second generation of children have been the principal factors in the "get-together" phenomenon presented by the community, it was said. The association has long since dispensed with interpreters. Where grownups have not picked up English their offspring are on hand to piece out. To a practical purpose the 23 nations speak a common tongue.

## British Give Names to Railway Locomotives

London.—The London & North Eastern railway has revived a custom of the old stage coach days, when every coach had its name, and now gives every locomotive a title instead of a number.

The first of a series will be named for well known race horses, some of the new locomotives being labeled "Flying Fox," "Ormynde," "Hermit," "Diable," "Donovan," "Doncaster," and other notable runners of the turf.

The Southern railway also has adopted the idea, naming its engines for well known men. "His Majesty," the largest locomotive on the line, is one, and "The Prince of Wales," another.

Every locomotive in the passenger service throughout the country soon will have its name and in time none but the little freight yard switching engines will be known by numbers.

## Filipino Coast Guard Nucleus of New Navy

Manila.—With the organization and training of the officers and crews of the insular fleet of coast guard cutters along military lines, approval of which has been given by Governor General Wood, department heads and Brig. Gen. Rafael Crame, chief of the con-

stabulary, are laying a modest beginning for a future Philippine navy.

General Crame, with the approval of Secretary of the Interior Felipe Agoncillo, recently authorized the transfer of arms and other military equipment for use of the coast guard sailors, the men having volunteered to furnish their own uniforms.

At present the coast guard force consists of 300 officers and men. Although the sailors are not required to perform military service, it is said all have volunteered to do this additional work aboard ship and ashore.

## Woman Steals Autos

Rochester, N. Y.—Mrs. Mary Smith, twenty-two years old, confessed the other night, police said, to the theft of about fifteen automobiles in Detroit and Buffalo by herself and her husband, Walter Smith, twenty years old. The couple is held on technical charges of vagrancy.

## Must Read Bible

Tallahassee, Fla.—Governor Martin has approved the act of the 1925 legislature to require daily readings of the Bible in the public schools of Florida. Readings once daily are required under the measure, but no sectarian comment is permitted.

## LADY OF MOP AND PAIL NOW OBSOLETE

### Electricity Does Work More Satisfactorily.

New York.—Office skyscrapers of the \$10,000,000 type now entering Fifth avenue mark the end of sites like the W. K. Vanderbilt mansion, and also spell the passing of another familiar figure of old New York, the scrubwoman.

The scrubwoman, as such, no longer exists in the latest office buildings in the Wall street district downtown, which Fifth avenue promises to follow. Her disappearance in the older buildings will be only a matter of time.

In the Equitable building, the largest office building in the world, scrubwomen have been supplanted by men, and her brush and water pail by an electrical scrubbing machine.

The scrubwoman herself, however, does not exactly suffer by the change. She has been lifted from her knees and her back-breaking toil, it was said, and metamorphosed into a cleaning woman. A dust cloth and light mop are the weight of her present burden. She is even termed a "maid," because dusting of offices and freshening up a linoleum floor is deemed comparable with housework.

A "motor-scrub," with a three-man crew, takes care of corridors and main halls bearing the brunt of a building's foot traffic. The motor-scrub pilot is closely followed by a mate plying a rubber "squeegee," which draws up the water, and by a third man, who gives a finishing dry mop to the floor. The trio in the Equitable building does as much as twenty ordinary scrubbers in the same time.

## Few Antelope and Moose on Forest Service Reserves

Washington.—Antelope are in danger of extermination, the Forest Service announced, and an effort is being made to obtain a game refuge for them. A recent investigation showed that only about 5,000 now range the national forests.

Moose also show a decrease, the count showing 5,100 head, compared with 8,000 the year before, but the wide difference in the figures is attributed in part to greater accuracy in the last count.

All told, 687,000 head of big game prowl the reserves of the forest service, an increase of 44,000 head for the year. Of this number, 550,500 are deer, the largest number being found in California, Oregon, Montana, Idaho and Arizona. Elks have increased in all of the western forests, 52,600 being listed, compared with 49,500 the year before.

## Germans Seek Way to Dodge Lightning

Berlin.—So many people have been struck by lightning in open fields in Germany recently that German scientists have been asked to find new safe places where people can take refuge during electrical storms.

The belief has always been that open fields were places of safety, but recently in Germany, and especially in Silesia, people have been killed after leaving the protection of trees.

There is a growing apprehension that disturbances of the ether by radio broadcasting have upset the old-fashioned maxims, and that a new set of rules about how to behave during electrical storms must be devised.

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**PUBLIC ACCIDENTS LEAD IN DEATH TOLL**

**Hazard Transferred from Industries to Streets.**

By C. B. AUDEL, President, National Safety Council.  
New York.—The world has become mechanical—man power and horse power (except as a unit of measurement) are falling into desuetude. "Harnessing Niagara" was an achievement, conveying its force to great distances was an accomplishment, but to make Niagara freeze itself into little cubes in the millionaire's kitchen, brown the buckwheat cakes on the foreman's breakfast table and drive the sewing machine in the third floor back, transcends any of Aladdin's mythical efforts. Not content with harnessing mere coal deposits and rivers, man harnessed the oil fields, and with what result?—the development of cheap and light mechanical motive power enabling him to flivver the sea, flivver the air, and flivver the surface of the land. See also what the gas engine is doing for the farms—the last stronghold of horse power. First into our industrial life, next into our public life and finally into our home life have crept the manifold applications of power to daily needs.

**Power Takes Toll.**  
But, because power is the application of the mechanical forces which the human body cannot withstand, power has taken and continues to take its toll of life and limb. The path of its application to man's needs is tracked with blood—first in the industries some of which a decade ago were called "slaughter houses," today upon the streets where every man's life is in jeopardy—perhaps tomorrow within our home, its latest field of conquest.

Nature's own efforts to protect the individual of the species from the dangers of his environment are marvelous but they are inexorably slow. Human efforts at protection will always lag far behind the inception and even the conception of the hazard. It seems that an incredible number of human beings must be killed or injured before the public conscience is aroused. It is true that the majority of those industrial establishments which were termed "slaughter houses" have at last become safe places in which to work, but yet the automobile has been allowed to take the toll of 100,000 lives in this country alone. Notwithstanding our recognition of what is going on, the annual increase in automobile deaths has not been arrested. It is our human failing not to foresee these evils and our human weakness to close our eyes to their appalling growth until we awake to find, in their elimination, a huge national problem.

**Streets Now Danger Point.**  
The center of gravity of accidental deaths in the United States was probably at one time situated in the industries, but since the inception of the safety movement it has been slowly transferring itself to the field of public accidents, in other words to our streets, our highways, our transportation systems and our public buildings. It is following the advance of power, but whether, as we develop public protective measures and thereby diminish public accidents, it will transfer itself to our homes, remains to be seen—for today it is sufficient to realize that the focus of the disorder has moved into the public life of the community.

The only new thing about the safety movement in our day is that it is a movement and not an institution or an instinct and that is wholly because of the abnormally rapid development of modern life. If life would slow down as it did in prehistoric times safety would be a family matter; it would be part of the family discipline, like not eating with one's knife or not lying in bed in the morning, both undoubtedly prehistoric vices.

**Winner of "The Duluth Hall of Fame Contest"**

Duluth, Minn.—A. H. Comstock was recently chosen from among more than 20 nominees as the winner of a bronze plaque which David Wisted post of the American Legion offered to "the Duluthian who has performed the most noteworthy unselfish service for his city during the past year." The contest was known as "The Duluth Hall of Fame Contest."

Mr. Comstock was cited as having furthered the progress of the project for a canal to the sea, as chairman of the Minnesota commission of the Great Lakes-Tidewater association.

**Jazz in Church**

Wandsworth, England.—For the first time in the history of England a jazz band has been used in church service. Alfredo's band, which has been playing on vaudeville circuits and at a night club, participated in the services at All Saints' church. The re-

tor, in announcing the band, stated that its members had asked permission to play as an expression of their thanksgiving for the blessings of Providence.

**Lays Egg Inside Egg**

Cape May, N. J.—Cape May hens have lined up on an economy program and are conserving space by laying one egg within another. Russell Schellenger, a farmer of Fishing Creek, near here, while gathering eggs found what he thought was a double-laid egg. On opening the egg he found another egg inside.

**INVENTS BIPLANE THAT HAS NO TAIL**

**New Craft May Revolutionize Art of Flying.**

Santa Monica, Cal.—A tailless biplane, weighing less than 600 pounds, which may revolutionize aviation, was declared practical here recently by Prof. A. A. Merrill of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Cal., following what he termed "successful trial flights" at Clover field, near here, of model planes.

Such a machine, in miniature, shot from a catapult, sailed gracefully through the air for a distance of more than 100 feet and maintained a speed of thirty-five miles an hour. It was held perfectly balanced in the air by artificial air currents furnished by four motors.

A man-sized plane, which will have a wing span of twenty-two feet and a length of nine feet from the propeller to the tip of the fuselage, is being constructed at Venice, Cal., near here, under the supervision of Professor Merrill. It will be driven by a light four-cylinder motor-cycle engine. The ship will be tested at Clover field upon completion.

"The wings of the regular biplane now used in commercial aviation are so constructed that the air strikes them first and is forced down and upon the tailpiece, which eliminates the pitch of the plane," Professor Merrill said in explaining his theory. "The tailpiece was eliminated in the construction of models and gliders by determining a point of gravity, and adjusting the lower wing of the tailless plane so that air currents strike the two wings simultaneously. Although the plane may have a greater tendency to rise and fall than the ordinary type plane, it will remain perfectly balanced."

**Langley Plane Label Likely to Be Revised**

Washington.—Dr. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian institution, has under advisement a suggestion for revising the label on the Langley airplane exhibit at the national museum to settle a dispute over its correctness between the secretary and Orville Wright.

The proposal was submitted by Dr. Joseph S. Ames, physics professor of Johns Hopkins, and Rear Admiral David W. Taylor, retired, who, with Doctor Walcott, are members of the national advisory committee for aeronautics. They suggested rewriting the Langley label to read:

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The card now displayed with the Langley machine says in part: "The first man-carrying aeroplane in the history of the world capable of sustained free flight."

**Manitoba Scorpion Sure Death to Bedbugs**

Winnipeg, Man.—Presented to the world by Prof. V. W. Jackson of the Manitoba Agricultural college, a scorpion is reputed as sure death to bedbugs. The little warrior, which has been waiting a name, was brought in by a small boy when Professor Jackson broadcast by radio his suspicion that such a scorpion might be in Manitoba.

The new scorpion is smaller than a bedbug, but in numerous experimental combats has always killed the famous nocturnal tormentor.

The bite of this scorpion is not injurious to humans. Unlike scorpions in the tropics and in parts of Manitoba, the bedbug slayer has no tail.

After the boy produced his specimen, the bedbug slayer was found all over Manitoba.

**Sky Drops Dirt**

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The toll of dead and wounded in July 4th celebrations seems to be larger than usual this year, as reports come in from various sections of the country.

Callahan County was created by Act of the Legislature, February 1, 1858 and organized in 1877. The county was named for Captain Jas. M. Callahan. The county seat was first located at old Callahan City, just north of where Admiral is now located on the Baird-Cottonwood road.

An election was held to relocate the county seat and Belle Plaine won. After the T. & P. Railroad had been built through the county another election was held, in January, 1883. The editor of The Star was working for the late Captain J. W. Jones, who was Sheriff, at the time.

Having lived in the county only a short time, we did not vote nor take any part in the election. Baird won. Belle Plaine filed an injunction suit to prevent the removal of the records to Baird. Baird won the case and, early in May, as Deputy Sheriff, we removed the records to Baird. Belle Plaine was a beautiful town and, had the T. & P. Railroad followed the original survey, Belle Plaine would have been a railroad town and Baird unknown.

Little things sometimes change conditions with people and towns.

The Tennessee law against teaching evolution in the public schools of that State, is staged as a great drama, but it is the greatest farce ever staged in this country. The enemies, not the friends of the law, are responsible for the prosecution, and the whole thing is done, not particularly to defeat the law, but to force the teaching of evolution in the public schools of Tennessee and other States.

Personally we never had any real objection to the teaching of the "theory of evolution" in the public schools, but never did believe that it should be taught to immature children, because few are capable, in the Seventh Grade, of distinguishing the difference between a "theory" and a fact, and evolution is only a theory, at best.

If people who pay taxes object to teaching the Bible in the public schools, on the theory that it is contrary to the constitution, for like reason people who believe in the Bible have a right to object to teaching a "theory" as a "fact," that tends to destroy faith of the children in the Bible.

Personally we never favored teach-

ing the Bible in the public schools, because we believe that the church schools and Sunday schools are the places for teaching the Bible. Teaching the Bible in the public schools is liable to do more harm than good, for so many reasons we have no room to explain.

Where we think the Tennessee Legislature made a mistake was in making the penalty a fine. Had they made the law so as to prohibit the issuance of certificate to persons who teach evolution and to prohibit text books that hold that evolution is a "fact," we doubt that any court, State or Federal, would disturb the law.

The howl of a few intellectual infidel teachers that the Tennessee law is an effort to thwart the advancement of knowledge and to foist religious teaching upon the public schools is pure bunkum, and they know it.

Some people have the idea that skepticism is an evidence of a superior mind and intellectual attainments not enjoyed by the common herd. A man can believe that the earth is as flat as a pancake and that the moon is a great white cheese hanging in the sky, as many old time slaves really believed, and it does not hurt any one, but few people would care to pay taxes to purchase text books that contained such things. Evolution never caused any trouble until they began to teach it in some public schools as an established fact. Then the trouble began.

The Modernists captured the Northern Baptist Convention at Seattle last week. Harry Emerson Fosdick, pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church of New York, known as the "Rockefeller Church," is preaching a doctrine that is contrary to the tenets of every Christian Church in the world, and practices things that heretofore no Baptist Church would tolerate.

He denies the Virgin birth and bodily resurrection of Christ, denies miracles and will accept as members in his church, from other churches, any mode of baptism—takes them in without rebaptizing them.

The fight came up over seating the delegates from this nondescript church and the Modernists won a decisive victory. This proves charges oft made by J. Frank Norris during the past ten years that the Northern Baptist Church is shot through and through with Modernism.

The Northern Presbyterian Church had trouble with Fosdick and forced him to give up the pastorate of one of the richest and most influential churches in New York. Then the Rockefellers took him in as pastor.

Other Northern churches—Methodist with others—are said to be tarred with the Fosdick stick. This is denied, but so did the Northern Baptists deny the charge, until they got strong enough to control the National Convention.

This skeptical teaching, to a small extent, is said to exist both in the Southern Methodist and Southern Baptist Churches. Is it possible that the apostasy of the Christian Church, foretold near two thousand years ago, is at hand? It looks like it is already here with some of the churches here in this country.

Many parts of Texas is suffering from severe and protracted drought. Rains have been spotted all over the State. Some neighborhoods in Callahan County are suffering for rain and, if it does not come soon, crops will be a failure, while reports from other sections are that crops are fairly good.

This brings us to the thought of storing up the storm waters in the streams of Callahan County, that is a proper system of reservoirs were built and water stored for droughts, most of the farms on the streams in

this county need not have a crop failure for lack of moisture.

We recall that in the early days The Star urged the people of this section to organize and study out a plan to store up the storm waters. Thirty-eight years ago this coming December, the question of rainfall was acute, as it was at the end of a two years' drought, 1886-7, when the cattle business went kerflunk and most of the cattlemen went broke, and most of the farmers ditto.

As we recall, the rainfall was 15 inches in 1886 and 9 inches in 1887, both years combined below the average of one year. It is time to think of what The Star urged the people to do 37 years ago, but guess they will forget it when seasons become normal, as they did then.

Boiled down the issue in the Scope case, that comes up today at Dayton, Tennessee, is: Has a State the same power to prohibit teaching infidelity in the tax supported State schools, that it has to teaching religion in the State schools?

Those scientists who are backing Scope by trying to prove that evolution is no longer a theory but a proven fact, do not help Scope any, but, on the contrary, make certain his conviction.

We do not believe any court will release him, and he will go down in history as the first infidel martyr convicted by the anti-evolutionists of Tennessee.

**TRIBUTE TO AN OLD FRIEND  
THE LATE BEN H. PITTMAN**

Ben H. Pittman, of Coleman, died at his home in that city, just one week after his wife had passed away.

In a recent issue The Star made mention of the serious illness of this old pioneer couple. As Deputy Sheriff and Tax Collector of Callahan County, under the late Capt. J. W. Jones, in 1883, we first became acquainted with Ben Pittman, then Sheriff of Coleman County.

He frequently visited Baird, which at that time was Coleman's shipping point, and a hack line ran from Baird to Coleman. Some years later we spent ten days with Ben Pittman and the late Charley Shields, at Houston, attending the Grand Lodge of Masons. These two, Pittman and Shields represented the Coleman Lodge.

They attracted considerable attention, as Ben was a small man and Charley Shields looked as tall as a telegraph pole beside Ben, as they always walked together. Ben facetiously remarked that Coleman Lodge had sent as delegates "the long and the short of it."

Ben Pittman was born in Kentucky in 1848, and he and the writer were nearly the same age, he having the advantage by four months. He was a Mason and an Oddfellow and a charter member of the Coleman Ku Klux Klan, holding the office of Kludd at the time of his death, says the Coleman Democrat-Voice. Mr. Pittman and his wife were both members of the Baptist Church.

The Democrat-Voice pays a meritorious tribute to the deceased in its last issue:

Mr. Pittman was the first Sheriff of Coleman County and was at one time District Clerk and later Postmaster of Coleman. In these various capacities he rendered service typical of the honest old pioneers who pioneered a virgin wilderness.

We have not met Ben Pittman for many years, but some how the news of his death caused a pang of regret, as it calls to mind so many old timers of Coleman, Brown and Callahan Counties that have passed on to the Great Beyond.

Than Warren has so far recovered that he was able to come to town several times during the past week. His old friends are rejoiced to see him recovering from a most serious surgical operation.

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Baird, Texas

Baird missed a rain last Saturday, while the whole world in every direction seemed to be getting good rains. Not enough rain fell at Baird to lay the dust.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Porter and little daughters, Anna Mildred and Helen and Miss Hilda Albin, returned Monday evening from a visit to Fort Worth.

**STATEMENT**

**The First National Bank**

BAIRD, TEXAS

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, JUNE 30, 1925

**Resources**

Loans and Discounts..... \$426,573.75  
Other Real Estate owned..... 16,800.00  
Banking House and Fixtures..... 8,700.00  
U. S. Bonds..... 26,450.00  
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank..... 2,250.00  
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS 212,249.84  
Due from U. S. Treasurer..... 1,250.00

\$694,273.59

**Liabilities**

Capital ..... \$50,000.00  
Surplus and Profits..... 36,634.18  
Circulation..... 25,000.00  
DEPOSITS..... 582,639.41  
REDISCOUNTS..... NONE  
BILLS PAYABLE..... NONE

\$694,273.59

The above Statement is correct.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier

## MEDAL WINNING BAIRD GIRL



FRANCES VESTAL, AGED 14

The above is a very excellent portrait of little Miss Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Vestal, a pupil in the Baird High School, who, in her eight years of school life has won seven gold medals and would undoubtedly have been awarded two more but for the fact that she was sick much of the time while she was in the Second Grade and skipped from the Fifth to the Seventh Grade. These were her averages: First Grade, 94; Second Grade, sick; Third Grade, 95 11-18; Fourth Grade, 98; Fifth Grade, 98; Sixth Grade, skipped; Seventh Grade, 97 39-45; Eighth Grade, 99; Ninth Grade, 99 7-8; General Average, 97 1191-2520. If "Lady Luck" stays with Miss Frances she will graduate from High School before she is sixteen years of age. The above picture is reproduced through the courtesy of the Fort Worth Star Telegram.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

Pupils wishing to attend Summer School call to see me at my home, the Grady G. Respass house, Monday morning next, July 13, at 8 o'clock.

32-1f Mrs. Brown Jones.

Mrs. George Baum, daughter, Miss Fannie and son, Leonard, from Burnt Branch, were visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bounds and children returned Tuesday evening from an automobile trip to Dallas. They were accompanied home by Mr. Bound's mother of Royce City.

Mrs. John Estes and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Fraser were among those who spent the Fourth in El Paso.

Sunshine Specials vs. Coyotes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ross, Hugh Ross, Jr., Mrs. J. J. Bookhout, son and daughter, John and Mary Frances, made an auto trip to Rotan Wednesday.

Base Ball Sunday, 3:30 p. m.

Misses Eules and Jacqueline Stephens are expected home today from a month's visit with relatives in Memphis, Tenn. They visited friends in Marshall en route home.

## PERSONALS

Miss Jessie Lidia, of Stephensville, is visiting her brother, Otho Lidia.

Miss Ora Terry, of Dallas, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Moore, of St. Louis, Mo., are visiting Mrs. Moore's father, B. L. Boydston and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown Jones have moved into their new home, the Grady Respass place, which they have bought.

Eastern Star Chapter will meet in regular session next Tuesday night and all members are requested to be present.

Help our Coyotes defeat the Sunshine Specials.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanley and little son, of Fort Worth, are visiting Joe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hanley.

Mrs. Arthur Johnson has returned from Kansas City, where she has been attending her mother who has been ill for some time.

Next Sunday, July 12th, at T. P. Park; Baird.

Misses Annie and Mary Bowyer, of Fort Worth, spent the Fourth with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bowyer.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George C. Carter, of Big Spring, Saturday, July 4, 1925, a daughter, who has been named Agnes Canada.

The members of the Baird Chamber of Commerce are all requested to be at Judge Russell's office next Monday night as important matters are to be considered.

Mrs. J. R. Price, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, left Sunday for Big Spring, where she will make a short visit with her sister, Mrs. Don Carter, before going to her home at Van Horn.

Miss Oneita Russell, who is taking a post graduate course in Expression at the Artist Colony, Estes Park, Colorado, will open a studio near the Public School Building in Baird, in September. Expression, dramatic training and folk dancing will be taught.

John Hensley, of Abilene, in company with Tom Wylie, of Moran, made the editor a pleasant call last week. Mr. Hensley lived a close neighbor to the writer on Hog Creek, Brown County, over forty years ago. We moved to Callahan County in December, 1882, and this was the first time we had met since then. Very naturally I did not know him at first sight, but I guess both of us have changed somewhat in forty-three years.

Attention is called to the law card of Otis Bowyer, Jr., in this issue. We recommend him to any one in Callahan County who may need an attorney at Dallas or in this County. He is a son of Judge Otis Bowyer and, like his father, is straight forward and dependable. If you have law business in Dallas, write Otis Bowyer, Jr., Western Indemnity Building, Dallas, Texas.

Sunday, July 12th, 3:30 p. m.

### PIANO CLASS

I will return home from the Bush Conservatory of Music, Chicago, about August 15th to resume my class in piano. I respectfully solicit and will appreciate your patronage. Harold Wristen. 31.3

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## Statement of the Condition of The First State Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

At the Close of Business, June 30, 1925

### Resources

Loans and Discounts	\$313,614.97
Banking House	14,772.56
Other Real Estate Owned	1,804.64
Furniture, and Fixtures	4,924.80
Depositors Guaranty Fund	4,301.20
Assessment Guaranty Fund	7,280.94
Cash and Exchange	101,580.43
	<b>448,279.54</b>

### Liabilities

Capital	\$50,000.00
Undivided Profits (Net)	3,254.96
Borrowed Money	NONE
Deposits	395,024.58
	<b>448,279.54</b>

The above statement is correct

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.

## THE PASSING DAY

WILL H. MAYES  
Department of Journalism  
University of Texas

### Careless Auto Driving.



An Austin man his wife, his daughter and three grand children started early Sunday morning in an automobile to visit relatives in a neighboring town. Like most motorists they were in a hurry, and though their car was small and light, they rushed past others on the road. Suddenly there was a blow out, the light car swerved and pitched headlong over a bridge. The wife and daughter are dead, the driver and two grandchildren are in an Austin hospital, and relatives are mourning because of the hurry of the party to get to the end of their journey, for which, after all, there need not have been any haste. The Sunday night before, near Austin a party of five young people attempted to pass another car with their car, turning their car over and killing one of their party. These are not unusual stories—such things are almost constantly happening some where—and they are given only to add the statement that all this rush to get somewhere is sheer madness.

### Why So Much Speed?

In both the cases mentioned, and in nearly every other case, the parties need not have been in a hurry. In one they were going for an all-day visit and had the whole day for a short trip; in the other they were nearing home after an outing, with no need to hurry. Just because an automobile can be made to go fifty miles an hour it does not follow that its utmost speed must be developed on a drive. There is really little pleasure in a drive at a speed exceeding twenty miles an hour, for when going more rapidly most of the beauty of the scenery is lost. Most of us waste time every day—much of it—and seldom think of hurrying until we start some where, when we suddenly become almost crazy to annihilate distance. Something drastic is going to have to be done to compel people to use common sense in driving.

### Celebrating July Fourth.

But for the World War, interest in celebrating the fourth of July as a national holiday would almost have ceased before now. In fact before that war it had become difficult to get crowds together for such a celebration. The Revolutionary War is too far in the past to arouse much enthusiasm even from the most patriotic citizens. Only the political orators seemed to care a great deal for the day and their oratory did not enthuse the masses. While July 4 has no direct or immediate connection with the World War, it seems a good time to celebrate and to renew the spirit of defense that is a bit hard to keep alive, even with the world's greatest conflict only a few years behind. July 4 has come to be known as Defense Day, a day in which we as a people get together to keep reminded that we need to be ready to defend our country so long as other countries are prepared to attack us. Some of us are hoping that we may live to see the day recognized as Peace Day throughout the whole world.

### Auto Bus Transportation.

There is such a decided increase in auto bus transportation that a demand is being created for union bus stations at connecting points and in many places such stations are being operated. Some modern hotels are providing for direct passage of auto buses into the hotel buildings in order that passengers may alight near the hotel office. Bus lines are becoming financially responsible and some are carrying or contemplating accident insurance for their passengers. Railroads are coming to recognize the inroads upon their business and some are paralleling their short distance lines with bus transportation. It is stated that a passenger can go from Brownsville, Tex., to Denver, Colorado, by bus in about the same time as by rail and at about the same cost and can sleep in a hotel every night while en route. Whether that can be done now or not, it will soon be done, and the railroads are going to have to meet this new and powerful competition.

### The Pullman Car Surcharge.

Railroads are putting on summer excursion rates to many points that make one think of the old times when it did not take a fortune to get anywhere if only he watched for a chance to get special rates. But about the time that he thinks he can afford to travel he finds that the sleeper fare is all out of proportion to the railroad rate, and that he must still pay the old war-time emergency surcharge on a sleeper ticket. The railroad commission or whatever body has authority to regulate railroad traffic owes it to the public to see that at least the Pullman car surcharge is removed, for it is an onerous burden on the traveling public. To the traveler the Pullman fare seems high enough without a fifty per cent additional tax.

### The Comforts of Home.

Yours must be a very uncomfortable place, if it hasn't far more comforts than most of the resorts one finds when out on vacation. The greatest advantage from a summer vacation is that it brings a person to at least a temporary appreciation of the ordinary comforts of home, however, humble it may be.

### Caddies Get the Edge

The rich have little advantage. Caddies get the most exercise out of golf. —Duluth Herald.

### BRITISH TRY TO SAVE OLD SMITHY

#### Auto and Tractor Eliminate Anvil Worker.

Hertford, England.—Strenuous efforts are being made here and in other agricultural districts of England to save the picturesque old-fashioned village blacksmith from passing into oblivion.

The smith of England today is not "tolling and rejoicing" to draw undue attention to himself, but is "sorrowing" a great deal more than in the days when Longfellow idealized him—all because of the advent of the automobile and the motor tractor.

In their desire to "save" the village blacksmith the Hertfordshire county council members announced recently particulars of a plan designed to keep alive the decaying industry which has been so hard hit by the modern organization of the big manufacturers and their agents who supply standardized parts of farm implements and machinery on lines of mass production.

The ministry of agriculture, too, has become interested in the scheme to prevent the passing of the blacksmith and has agreed to co-operate in the movement.

Special committees appointed to investigate the plight of the smithy have reported that there are many articles in popular demand which cannot be satisfactorily produced by factory methods because of the skill and the handwork of the craftsman which should count more than mere cheapness.

With a view to giving the village blacksmith a new lease on life, a special exhibit was arranged for the recent Herts agricultural show, where prizes were awarded for agricultural implements, wrought iron gates, scroll work, door fittings, general utility wares, such as weather vanes and umbrellas and golf stands.

F. W. Speaight, director of the exhibit, has also proposed various other schemes designed to prevent the garage from replacing the blacksmith shop and silencing the ring of the anvil forever.

### Government to Survey Great Salt Lake Desert

Washington.—The Great Salt Lake desert in Utah, covering many square miles and one of the largest areas included in the public domain of the United States remaining unsurveyed, is going to be the subject of exploration by the government.

Plans are under way by two bureaus of the interior department to invade this desert waste and conduct official surveys. The geological survey is planning to conduct extensive investigations of the saline deposits in the entire area. Tracts of land found containing valuable salts will be designated and classified. The general land office, through its government surveyors, will undertake the running over of such controlling lines of the public land survey system as are deemed necessary.

The general land office has also under consideration the survey of an area of land of some 20,000 acres bordering the northern shore of Great Salt Lake in Utah.

The land is in the vicinity of Bear River bay, into which is discharged the principal affluent of the lake, Bear river, and includes the delta at the mouth of that stream. Since the construction of the Ogden-Lucin cut-off of the Southern Pacific railroad the waters of the bay have become fresh.

This land has come into existence since the early surveys by the recession of the waters of the lake. It is shown in the preliminary investigation that the lake level is quite variable in different years and at different seasons of the same year and that it rises or recedes through periods or cycles of years, due to the recurrence of wet or dry seasons.

### Shingled-Haired Girls Catch Colds in Necks

London.—Devotees of the hair-bobbing fashion now are complaining of "shingle headache." This is nothing but a form of neuralgia, medical men say, caused by sudden chilling of the nape of the neck, which is thus exposed to the cold, blustering winds. Hats which fit closely and very low at the back are said to be an effective safeguard.

### Mints Busy Turning Out "Double Eagles"

Philadelphia.—The standard coin of the old West is coming back into its own, according to reports from the United States mint here, as well as those in San Francisco and Denver. All three mints have been specializing in the coining of "double eagles." The Philadelphia mint is turning out 30,000 of the \$20 gold coins daily, which establishes a new record for any one plant. This coinage is the result of a law enacted by congress which provided that one-third of the total outstanding United States government gold certificates must be represented by actual specie.

### British Cross-Word Now Task for Savants

Oxford, England.—The crossword puzzle craze reached its zenith last month and is now on the wane, according to Oxford librarians. In Oxford, as elsewhere, it more than doubled the sales of dictionaries, and the demands made upon reference libraries were so great that one librarian threatened to shut up shop altogether.

The explanation given for the failure of popular interest is that the later puzzles have become so difficult, through the increased experience of their creators, that no ordinary mortal can conveniently solve them.

Men who during the war had little difficulty in deciphering the secret and confidential codes of both the enemy and the allies have organized "pools of intellect" and settled down seriously to the solution of all possible cross-words.

### Cuban Diggers Find Many Relics of War

Havana.—Relics of Cuba's past are being constantly brought to light through exploration or preparation for new buildings.

In Marco park, now near the center of the city, but years ago some distance from the city walls, workmen uncovered a store of hand grenades and war material believed to have been buried about the time of the ten years' war in the '60s.

Repairs to the old Santa Clara convent, completed in 1643, brought discovery of a secret tunnel which led to a catacomb in which more than 100 skeletons were discovered.

Near Majagua a farmer discovered a lump of wax in a hollow tree. He cut it open and found inside a revolver perfectly preserved, gold-mounted and carved. It was of a model popular in the United States about 1865.

### Thyroid Gland Vital, Julian Huxley Says

Toronto, Canada.—Prof. Julian Huxley, senior demonstrator in biology at New college, Oxford, lecturing here, explained as he termed it, "discoveries which have not yet penetrated into the consciousness of the lay public."

Control of mammal growth, Professor Huxley asserted, could be gained other ways. The first of these was nutrition. Numerous illustrative slides were shown.

A second means of controlling growth was through the ductless glands. The thyroid gland in the throat was an important one. Remarkable things could be done to animals by the use of the thyroid extract, to make them grow; or by the removal of this gland to retard their growth.

In the case of frogs, the merest touch of thyroid extract turned them from tadpoles into maturity in a fraction of the ordinary time, and in the case of a certain water lizard the use of this extract resulted in a gradual transformation into a land lizard, a transformation which might not happen normally in a period of 10,000 years or more.

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Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at the next term thereof, 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 the City of Baird, this 30th day of June, A. D. 1925.

[Seal] S. E. Settle, Clerk,  
County Court, Callahan County, Tex.  
By Jonnie Robinson, Deputy.

A true copy I certify.

G. H. Corn, Sheriff,  
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4	12:50 p. m.	1:00 p. m.
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3	3:30 p. m.	3:35 p. m.
5	3:45 a. m.	3:50 a. m.

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## HO! FOR THE LIFE OF A COWBOY



(From a drawing by N. C. Wyeth in Scribner's Magazine.)

Ever eat beans ("Mexican strawberries") dished up from a chuck wagon? Ever sleep out with a saddle for a pillow? It's a great life—if you like it, say the cowboys.

Thousands of Americans, who want to see how real western cowhands live and play, are planning to attend the Chicago Roundup and World's Championship Rodeo beginning August 15. Cowboys from every part of the West will be on hand for this great western spectacle, which will be held under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Commerce. For nine days Chicago's big Grant Park Stadium will look like a scene from the "Covered Wagon days" as the scores of expert bronk riders, lariat throwers and steer wrestlers show their stuff while competing for \$30,000 prize money and world championship titles. Tex Austin, who has staged so many successful contests, including the great international contest at Wembley, England, will direct the Chicago event.

## THREE REAL CHAMPIONS



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"Expert and daring" leaders in the great sport to which they have brought fame, are the cowgirls from the western ranges who will compete in the Chicago Roundup and World's Championship Rodeo, to be held for nine days, beginning August 15. Champions past and present, as well as new seekers-after fame, will add thrills to the cowboy contests which will be presented in the new \$5,000,000 stadium under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Commerce. A group of these cowgirls started the staid Britisher when they appeared in the International Championship held by Tex Austin at Wembley, England, recently, and the same champions will compete in the Chicago spectacle. Austin is organizing the Chicago roundup and will manage it, and the \$30,000 in prizes is the largest amount offered for any contest this year.

## WILL VISIT "HEAD SQUEEZERS" TRIBE

### People Have Never Been Seen by White Men.

London.—Efforts to solve the mystery of the "human head squeezers," a tribe of which almost nothing is known and which lives in the wilds of the mountains between the main Amazon basin and the northern Andes, is to be one of the aims of an exploring expedition to South America to be made next summer by Dr. William M. McGovern, one of England's most daring anthropologists.

Doctor McGovern, who was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., visited Lhasa, the forbidden city of Tibet, disguised as a Buddhist monk, last year, and has headed numerous other expeditions in various parts of the world in the interest of anthropological research work.

#### Possess Fabulous Riches.

The "human head squeezers," who have a way of reducing the heads of their victims to the size of a person's fist, according to Doctor McGovern, also are supposed to be the possessors of gold and diamond mines in their native haunts just to the north of the Amazon jungles.

The Londoner plans to spend seven to ten months in their midst, studying their habits and customs. No white man has ever solved the process of how heads are reduced in size without so much as disfiguring any of the victim's features, and in the interest of science Doctor McGovern hopes to be able to overcome this riddle in the course of his explorations of this tribe and its haunts.

Doctor McGovern plans to leave London in May, and in the trip across the Andes will cover parts of Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru where no white man, so far as known, has ever before set foot.

#### Will Carry Wireless.

Doctor McGovern will carry a wireless receiving set, cameras and other apparatus necessary for expeditions of this kind. He proposes to make observations and drawings which will be of future use to scientists throughout the world.

"I shall be particularly interested in anthropological research work in the Amazon basin, where interesting remains, such as great rock temples, of prehistoric tribes, are supposed to exist, but to this day have never been seen by white men," said the explorer.

"Diamonds and gold nuggets have been bought from some of the natives on the edge of the unexplored country, and there is a belief that the natives have discovered mines within their native haunts from which they extract the precious stones and metal now and then. These natives of the interior have not even been seen by white men, so far as I know, and have been carrying on feuds for generations with all persons, white or black, who have attempted to invade their territory."

The expedition will terminate at Lima, Peru, perhaps early next year, from which place Doctor McGovern will go to the United States before returning to London.

## City Has Air-Speed Law, but Cannot Enforce It

Atlanta, Ga.—Atlanta has a brand new traffic ordinance covering the air above the city, but the police department is puzzled as to methods of enforcing it. Call officers now use "Lizzies" that dart around at a speed of 35 miles an hour, but they can hardly overtake an aviator running like 200 miles, it is pointed out.

The new ordinance adopted by city council provides a fine of \$50 or 30 days in jail for any reckless aviator who flies less than 1,000 feet of the tallest structure in the city, or makes it snow with advertising circulars when snows are not on the weather man's plans, or an advertising permit has not been obtained from the city clerk.

The police are willing to make an effort to catch any aviators that violate the traffic laws, but they can't figure out how to keep their eyes on their quarry and at the same time avoid colliding with the several thousand privately owned "Lizzies" that dart in and out and around and under other vehicles in downtown Atlanta.

## Czechoslovakian Claims Descent From Columbus

Rome.—Nitra, in Czechoslovakia, claims the distinction of having as one of its few inhabitants a direct descendant of Christopher Columbus. The bearer of the historic name of Rodolfo Colombo is a music instructor.

Rodolfo's father, Giovanni Colombo, was a major in an Austrian infantry regiment. In 1910 the major read in a Viennese newspaper a notice inserted by the executors of the defunct Spanish prince, Cristoforo Colombo of Verugna, a descendant of the navigator, inviting all the presumptive heirs to present their claims.

Giovanni was too poor to engage a lawyer to look after the affair, but succeeded himself in finding a certificate of baptism of the year 1712 which proved that one of his ancestors, Leopoldo Colombo, had been a member of the imperial guard. This certificate proved clearly the nobility of the family.

## Planting of Java Cane to Increase Sugar Crop

New Orleans.—Planting of Java sugar cane, specimen growths of which are now being experimented with on the southern plantation at Houma, La., would practically double the yield per acre in Louisiana, in the opinion of Dr. W. E. Cross, director of the Tucuman sugar experiment station in Argentina. Doctor Cross completed an examination of plantings of Java cane on the Southdown plantation recently and expressed the belief that this cane, known as P-235, would produce twenty-four to twenty-five tons of cane per acre over an average of several years.

## Trace 33,000 Deaths in Quake to Poison Gas

Tokyo.—The deaths of 33,000 persons at the army clothing depot in the quake-fire of 1923 were caused by poison gas, according to a report of the great seismic visitation now in the hands of the seismic disaster prevention commission.

The commission consists of forty well-known scientists and experts.

The commission is of the opinion that a great many of the earthquake victims, who were believed to have been burned to death in reality were killed by carbon monoxide gas and escaped the horror of being roasted alive.

#### Texas Building Good Roads.

Texas is just now doing much effective highway development. The state will get \$4,415,715 of the \$75,000,000 voted by congress just before adjournment, making a total of \$28,186,000 received since the beginning of the federal aid policy. With 8,122 miles of federal highway built and 1,450 miles under construction, Texas is leading all other states in highway mileage. At the present rate of construction Texas will soon have good roads covering most of its populated area.

## Preacher Fined Speed Sermon for Violation

New York.—The Rev. Arthur Baggerly, who occupies the pulpit of the Methodist Episcopal church at Quogue, L. I., on Sundays, fulfilled the terms of an agreement whereby he obtained a suspended sentence on a charge of speeding in the Yonkers city court.

The clergyman was released by Judge Gorinkle on his promise that in his next sermon he would urge his flock to obey the speed laws. Doctor Baggerly did not make speeding the text of his sermon, but he told of the Yonkers incident, and added that "some people have to learn by experience." He said his lesson had been with his arrest on Central avenue, Yonkers, and that in the future he would carefully respect the speed regulations. He asked his congregation to do likewise and then passed on to his religious discourse.

## NATIONAL FORD TRUCK WEEK

The coming week has been designated as National Ford Truck Week and the Shaw Motor Co., local authorized dealer, has arranged for a complete showing of Ford built truck bodies.

Entrance of the Ford Motor Company into the manufacture of commercial bodies indicates a new and important advancement in this division of motor transportation, since it shows that Ford is bringing into delivery and hauling services the same low cost and high value that has made the Ford passenger car the most popular in the world. The Ford truck chassis has long held the lead among light commercial vehicles, and at present approximately 75 per cent of the one ton trucks in use are Fords.

The business man or farmer who is interested in reducing hauling costs will have the opportunity this week of becoming fully acquainted with these Ford built truck bodies which, because of the economics of Ford quantity production, are offered at low prices.

Arrangements have been made by the Shaw Motor Co. to keep show rooms open every evening during the week so that all may have an opportunity of inspecting the trucks.

More important, however, the Shaw Motor Co. will be prepared to give demonstrations of any of these units and those interested are invited to enter their requests for the demonstration as early as possible.

The Ford built body combinations for the famous Ford one-ton Truck chassis include the open express type, the express type with either screen sides and canopy top or with top alone, and the stake and platform body. This latter body also is of particular interest to the farmer and truck gardener, for it is adaptable to every agricultural hauling requirement, as it may be used with either grain or cattle sides. With stakes it provides unusual space for carting garden produce.

A closed cab, adaptable for use with any of these bodies, also is provided and has grown greatly in popularity since its introduction. It is of all-steel construction, roomy, with removable panels in the back and affords complete protection for the driver in inclement weather, with ample ventilating facilities.

The displays also will include the new pick-up body, which is mounted on the rear of the Ford runabout, providing a light delivery car which meets a variety of requirements where quick delivery is an important factor.

## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH

The Third Quarterly Conference of the Baird M. E. Church, South, was held at the Church last Sunday. The reports of work and finances were both good.

The report shows that \$3,000.00 had been paid on the Church debt since the last Conference, and \$1,300.00 for salaries of Pastor, Presiding Elder and other items, \$4,300.00 in all.

Very good! About two more pulls like this will get rid of the church debt.

The editor of The Star, much to his regret, was unable to accept the invitation of Kennard Brothers to attend a barbecue last Friday night, at their ranch, ten miles northwest of Baird. We were delayed in printing the last four pages of The Star, and had to work until about 9 o'clock that night. We sent word to John Kennard by Robert Estes to eat a good sized hunk of barbecued beef and think of us, who were ten miles away, running the folder in The Star office. They had a good time. See report elsewhere.

## BOOTED GAME WAY YONDER

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and with the condemnation of the fans still ringing in their ears, are going to battle manfully to regain the lost ground, and perhaps there will be new faces in the Coyote lineup.

The Coyotes play to larger crowds when they are away from home than when they bring a team here to play; last Sunday the receipts were only \$34.00. This, as everyone knows, will not pay expenses, and unless the fans of Baird and vicinity turn out in larger numbers and support the Coyotes more liberally, the balance of the games that are booked will be transferred to other towns.

The Coyotes like to play at home, but they can't play to empty space and break even.

Remember, the Sunshine Specials next Sunday at T-P Park at 3:30 p. m.

## SCAVENGER BOONE WILLIAMS RESIGNS—PATRONS WONT PAY

Baird's City Scavenger, Boone Williams, has resigned, because so many people will not pay him what they owe. One man owes him for two year's work, another for eighteen month's work and others, making up the total of \$400.00.

That is what he said in his notice published in last week's Star.

Why people will stand off payment for such work seems strange to The Star. Here is one man who had no competition and has thrown up his job, not for lack of customers, but because he had too many of the non-paying kind.

That kind of business will burst anything, from a scavenger to a banker. The Star urges all who owe Boone Williams to pay him. If they do not they ought to be ashamed of themselves as long as they live, provided they are able to pay.

Some people, however, feel themselves unable to pay debts of any kind, because they are unwilling to deny themselves pleasures and luxuries they could not live without, and let poor men like Boone Williams carry their unpaid accounts. We always thought this kind of work was spot cash, but \$400.00 of it is long time credit according to Boone.

Pay him what you owe him!

## COL. SYMONDS HONORED BY 33rd DEGREE MASON

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was a United States Deputy Marshal, hunting down moonshiners among the feudists in Mountain Kentucky. Colonel Symonds was associated with Marshal Cochran in this perilous quest and the latter would like to verbally live over those days and nights again, so full of thrills.

## 6 000 BARRELS CALLAHAN COUNTY'S DAILY OUTPUT

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The rig can be seen from the front of the Baird post office.

The Humble Oil and Refining Co. has leased the Miss Maggie Alexander ranch, the Kennard ranch, the C. A. Bowman ranch, the Robert Hennessy ranch, the Head & Head ranch, the Edmund Gunn ranch and the C. L. Gunn ranch.

Homer Peoples has leased the J. R. McFarlane ranch located south of Baird.

T. E. Davis has sold a 60-acre lease on the W. H. Jobe farm for \$16,000.

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## METHODIST WOMEN MISSIONERS ENTERTAIN SISTER MISSIONERS

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, entertained the Societies of the other Churches in the basement of the former Church, Monday, June 28th. The room was prettily decorated in orchid and gold, cut flowers being used profusely.

The guests were welcomed by Mesdames W. J. Mayhew, C. M. Miller and E. M. Wristen.

After a Biblical contest, which was entered into with interest by all; an interesting program was rendered. Little five-year old Bertie Owen rendered two songs, with the ease and self possession of a grownup. Mrs. A. J. Hayes gave the guests the pleasure of listening to the tones of her cultivated voice.

The talented visitors from McMurry College, Abilene, were generous in their rendition of vocal and violin solos.

It was a rare treat to each one present to hear these ladies. Miss Sullivan is the popular and capable teacher of voice culture in McMurry and Miss Michelson teaches the violin. Miss Sullivan is Dean of Fine Arts. They stand at the top in their several lines of work.

Mrs. James Wheeler, of Abilene, gave two selected readings, which were very fine.

## IN MEMORIAM

In memory of our departed sister, Mrs. Ophelia Alice Martin, widow of H. C. Martin.

Miss Ophelia Alice Jackson, was born September 17, 1850, in Tate County, Mississippi; was married to H. C. Martin, in the same County and State, November 11, 1868. At the age of 17 she was converted and joined the old Salem Baptist Church, near Senatobia, Mississippi.

Mrs. Martin was a faithful member of our Church for many years, and she was always ready to hold up the banner for Christ and His love.

We cannot say and will not say  
That she is dead; she is just away.  
With us a cheery smile and a wave of the hand,  
She has wandered into an unknown land.

She left us dreaming, it must be fair  
It need must be since she lingers there.  
Oh you! oh you! who the wildest yearn  
For the oldtime step and the glad return.

Think of her faring as dear,  
In the love of there as the love of here.

Think of her as the same,  
She is not dead; she is just away.

Weep not, dear children, but put your trust in God. We must become submissive to His will, for He doeth all things well to them that love Him.

Mrs. R. G. Dawkins, Mrs. G. W. Black, Mrs. M. Pearce,  
Committee,  
Admiral Baptist Church.

## Guardian's Application to Execute Mineral, Oil and Gas Lease For Ward

In re Guardianship of the Estate of Jessie L. Clark, Minor.

In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas. No. 736.

Notice is hereby given that I, F. E. Clark, Guardian of the Estate of Jessie L. Clark, Minor, have this day filed an application in the above numbered and entitled cause for authority to execute a mineral, oil and gas lease, upon such terms as the Court may order and direct, upon and covering 34 acres of land situated in Callahan County, Texas, a part of D. & D. Asylum land, Survey No. 17, and being Tract No. 6, of a subdivision and portion of the lands of J. J. Clark and his deceased wife, Bettie Clark.

Said application will be heard by the County Judge of Callahan County, Texas, in the County Court Room at the Court House, in the City of Baird, Texas, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., on the 20th day of July, 1925.

F. E. Clark,  
Guardian of the Estate of Jessie L. Clark, Minor.

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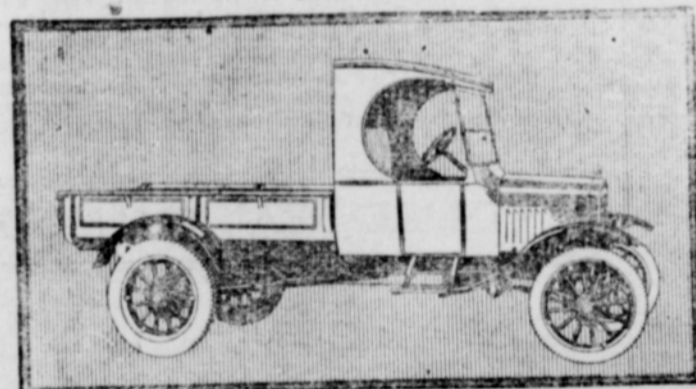
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