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OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

SING STAR THANKS C. P. FIRE DEPT.

The Cross Plains Fire Department, first of this week, received a letter in the City of Rising Star, extending a nice token and expressing their appreciation for the prompt response in checking the recent fire, which for a time seemed to threaten destruction to a great part of the city.

The letter, containing a check for \$50.00, follows:
Plains Fire Department,
Cross Plains, Texas.

Sirs:
Enclosed please find our check for \$50.00.

This is not intended as payment for the valuable service rendered by your good department in our recent fire, but simply a token of our appreciation of the manner in which you responded to the call of a sister city in distress.

We thank you sincerely and trust you will not find it necessary to return to us, but should you find the need for help we hope you will feel free to call on us.

Sincerely yours,
E. W. ROBERTS, Secretary
Secretary City of Rising Star.

DEE ANDERSON UNDERGOES OPERATION

The sudden illness of Dee Anderson, attacking him last Tuesday night, soon developed into an acute case of appendicitis and he was rushed to the sanitarium at Santa Anna for treatment late Wednesday evening. He underwent an operation soon after reaching the sanitarium, which revealed a very dangerously advanced stage of the affliction. Reports from the sanitarium about noon Thursday state that he is recovering nicely.

CROSS PLAINS TO HAVE FLORAL PLANT

Red Huckaby is busy arranging for a floral plant at his residence in the northeast part of Cross Plains, and will have a formal opening in about five weeks. He will operate in connection with a Denver floral house, and can supply your selection of floral plants or decorative flowers for all occasions.

WILSON CAFE HAS FORMAL OPENING

The new Wilson Cafe, located on South Main street, was the scene last Tuesday night of one of the most appropriate and appreciated formal opening banquets of the winter season. The entire membership of the Cross Plains Fire Department included with a number of other guests, were treated to an excellent oyster supper by its genial owner, R. E. Wilson. It was a bounteous feast, comprising a dainty and most relishable second dish course. This is the second time, in a like manner, that R. E. Wilson has shown his friendship and clear appreciation of the membership of the Cross Plains Fire Department. Following the supper appropriate short talks, expressing their enjoyment and appreciation of the occasion, were made by a number of the guests. R. E. Wilson is popular and the services at this banquet is in line with what you will constantly find at his convenient and attractively arranged cafe.

The guests were as follows:
Ralph Chandler, chief of the fire department, J. M. McMillan, W. D. Hopkins, J. C. Morris, W. T. Hamilton, S. M. Buatt, V. C. Walker, O. T. Laws, John Browning, Jim Settle, E. D. Priest, O. Lackey, I. S. Pare, H. R. Rudloff, Walton Baum, Glen Adams, M. M. Nance, W. J. Stacy, Chas. Hemphill.

BILL COFFMAN DIES AT ADA, OKLAHOMA

The sad message was received early Tuesday morning of this week by relatives and friends in Cross Plains announcing that Will Coffman had died suddenly at his home in Ada, Oklahoma, about 4 o'clock the preceding night, death resulting from heart failure. Will Coffman, 53 years of age, was born and reared in the Cross Plains community, moving to Oklahoma about twenty years ago, and for many years had been engaged in the hardware business at Ada. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Coffman, who were among the pioneer and most prominent people of this section of West Texas. He is a brother of Mrs. Will McGowen and Mrs. John Baum of Cross Plains, who, accompanied by Murrian McGowen, Mrs. Sidney Hughes and other of the local relatives, left for Ada immediately after receiving the death message. Deceased is also survived by his wife, and three children, the eldest son being about 25 years of age. Funeral services were held and burial made at Ada Wednesday afternoon of this week.

MRS. MARLIN BURIED AT RISING STAR

Mrs. Julia E. Marlin, age 65, and who had been one of the pioneer residents of this part of Texas, died at the home of her son, H. W. Marlin, who lives on the Hart ranch, a few miles southeast of Cross Plains, last Saturday, Jan. 26th. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Collins of Cross Plains, and burial was made in the Rising Star cemetery.

10 DAYS NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MARRY

A bill requiring ten days notice of marriage intention was passed by the Texas senate last week. The act prohibits the issuance of a marriage license without that notice.

The bill further deals a blow at child marriages by requiring that in the absence of one of the contracting parties a third person is to make affidavit regarding age and residence of the absent one.

The senate also passed the old age pension act. It permits county commissioners' courts to pay pensions to persons over 70 out of the county funds.

If you have a good idea for community advancement don't let your light shine under a bushel. Let all of us in on it. Some have the ideas; others the willingness to put them into effect.

BAPTIST WORKERS MEETING PROGRAM

Large, appreciative audiences attended our services last Sunday. Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Simmons University, delivered a very inspiring address on Christian Education, showing the importance of maintaining our denominational colleges.

The Enlargement Program, advertised to be put on this week, was postponed to next week. The general subject for the week is Enlargement, or a Worthy Program for Christ. The pastor will preach each evening on the general theme, but the principal addresses will be delivered by visiting pastors. Rev. C. E. Lancaster of Coleman will speak Monday night; Rev. W. T. Turner of Eastland, Tuesday night; Dr. Edgar Godbold of Howard Payne College, Wednesday night; Rev. A. C. Miller of Cisco, Thursday night, and Rev. Ben M. David of Brownwood, Friday night.

Mrs. W. T. Turner of Eastland, one of the best known W. M. U. workers of Texas, and one of the most inspiring speakers among the women of the State, will deliver an address to the women of the church at 3:00 P. M., Tuesday.

Following is the program of the Calhoun County Baptist Workers meeting to be held in Cross Plains Monday, Feb. 4th:

10 A. M., Devotional. Rev. W. A. Foster.

10:30 A. M., Stewardship and Christian Living. Rev. W. A. Howell.

11: A. M., Stewardship and Local Church Work. Rev. J. R. Mayes.

11:30 A. M., Sermon. Rev. C. R. Smith.

12:15 P. M., Lunch.

1:30 P. M., Devotional. Mrs. J. E. Henkel.

1:50 P. M., God's Claim to Ownership. Mrs. W. E. Faires.

2:10 P. M., Sunbeam Program. Cross Plains Band.

2:30 P. M., Special Music. Cross Plains.

2:35 P. M., Stewardship and Missions. Rev. J. E. Black.

The Sunbeam Band, led by Mrs. Hill, is growing by leaps and bounds. Last Saturday there were 25 present. They are to have a part on the program of the County Workers Meeting Monday.

The large number of visitors attending our services last Sunday was greatly appreciated. They always have a cordial invitation, and will be given a warm welcome at our church, which we trust will be real church home to the entire membership and visitors who come our way.

A. E. HILL, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE BUILDING BURNS

Abilene, Jan. 29.—The administration building of the Abilene Christian College burned between 1 and 2 a. m. last Monday.

The fire was discovered by Paul Southern, who had arrived at the college from a visit to his home, in the front part of the building. He turned in an alarm, but too late to save the building.

Nothing in the building was saved except a portion of the library and all the records. Loss is estimated at \$100,000, or more.

President Batsell Baxter and Dean J. Cox made statements that the school work should continue.

The building will not be replaced for the reason that the college is erecting a new administration building in the new location and the college site is to be moved at the opening of school next fall.

Origin of the fire is undetermined. Students, who lived in three dormitories, helped firemen save furniture and supplies from the building.

Firemen kept the flames from spreading to the dormitories, one on either side of the administration building.

At a meeting, the school's trustees decided that classes would be held in dormitories until temporary repairs could be made, if they are decided upon. The college is building a complete new plant, two miles east of the present campus, for occupancy next fall. The three buildings now under construction include a \$150,000 administration hall.

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ANOTHER C. P. BOY ENTERS LITERARY WORLD

The Review received this week the following clipping from the Simmons Brand, weekly newspaper of Simmons University, Abilene:

One student, taking Journalism 325 course in Feature Writing, last term, had the unusual experience of having every story which he turned in for the course published.

This student is Wilfred Haggard of Cross Plains. Of the ten stories which were required in the course, Haggard wrote every one for either the Brand or some newspaper Sunday Supplement. Five of the stories were printed in the Western Weekly and five in the Brand.

A number of other students sold stories out of the class to papers and Sunday Supplements, but this is the only record of a student who had every story published in some paper.

J. H. Brock, of Brownwood, secretary of the Putnam Supply Co., was a visitor with the local house of the company last Tuesday. The Putnam Supply have branch houses at Moran, Baird, Putnam, Cross Plains and Brownwood.

INSTALLING NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS

A number of collapsible rubber slow-down and stop signals have been placed at the entrance and crossings of the main streets of the city, and all are warned to strictly observe them, otherwise a fine will be the penalty. A slow-down sign appears on East 8th street, one block from its entrance to Main street, where you are confronted with a stop signal, which means that all vehicles must stop and pause for a sufficient time, to see that the way is clear and safe before entering the main street. The street fronting the postoffice is equipped with a set of like signals, and slow-down signals appear on a number of the streets entering from other directions. Observe them, and not only avoid a fine, but help make safe for travel.

WATCH THE JUNIOR GIRLS
The Junior Girls basket ball team of the Cross Plains school played the Junior Cross Cut Girls here on the Murphy Field Tuesday. Cross Cut battled them to a 20 to 17 finish in favor of the Cross Plains Girls. This was their third game.

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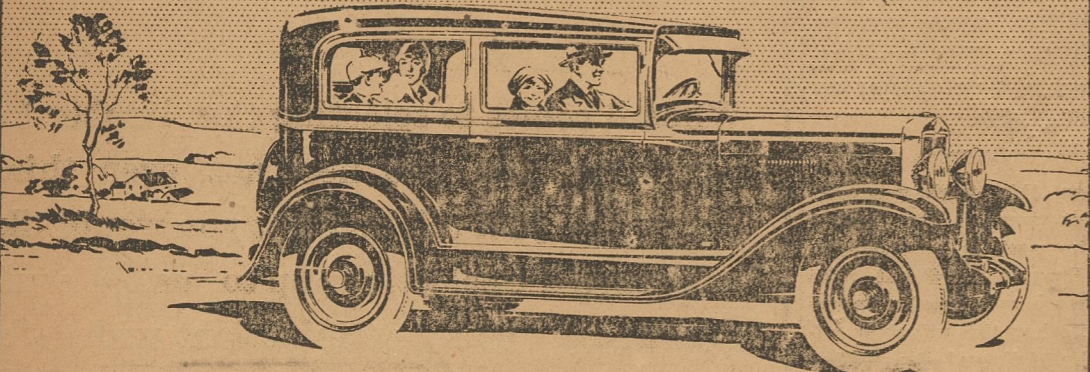
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JUDGE GILBERT GIVES VIEWS ON LEGISLATION

(Cisco Daily News)

"Ever since this Oklahoma trouble the investigation fever seems to have infected the blood of the Texas legislature," was the comment of Victor B. Gilbert, representative from Eastland and Callahan counties, regarding the resolution which Representative Gehron, of Ellis county, has announced he will introduce asking investigation of the state highway department and the board of control. "I believe they are carrying it too far at Austin. The cost of conducting these investigations is enormous. Every inquiry into the affairs of a department cost the state between \$10,000 and \$20,000 and when this highway department resolution comes up I in-

tend to bring the fact that it will be expensive to the attention of the legislature."

Judge Gilbert said he intended to defend the highway department when the matter is brought up.

He arrived here at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for a brief visit during the week end recess of the legislature. He will return to Austin today.

"There have been hundreds of delegations to visit Austin with requests for aid from the state highway department. Some of them have received what they came for. Others have not. I have not heard from any of these delegations the slightest criticism of the highway department. The department is functioning according to statute and rule in its dealing with those desiring aid.

"Where there are specific charges and evidence to support such charges I am in favor of conducting an investigation, but the mere fact that a department is handling large amounts

of money and transacting big business is no reason for the conduct of expensive inquires."

Mr. Gilbert as chairman of the house committee on revenues and taxation—one of the most important committee of the house—is in close touch with conditions as they pertain to the gasoline tax and automobile license fee questions.

Opinion among legislators, he said, is divided between a four-cent and a three-cent gasoline tax. One or the other of these will be adopted. His committee Thursday night held a hearing on the matter which was attended by a number of prominent citizens, among them Cone Johnson, Clarence Owsley and Lynch Davidson.

As to the license fee there is a wide divergence among legislators, Mr. Gilbert said. There is at present one bill before the committee of which he is chairman, proposing a reduction of 50 per cent in the committee is considering another bill proposing a flat charge of \$4 on each family car and a weight tax on trucks and motor busses.

"If the flat rate is adopted," Mr. Gilbert said, "it is my opinion that the law will require the owner of a family car applying for registration to show an ad valorem tax receipt."

Several other public hearing will be held upon the gasoline tax question before the bills now being considered are acted upon and passed out of the committee, he said. All bills of this character, however, will be adjudicated and passed within the next ten days.

A bill now being considered by the terms of which utilities operating in the state would be placed under the railroad commission, is attracting more attention at the legislature now than any other, Mr. Gilbert said. Cities expressing themselves under the bill have unanimously taken positions opposing it upon the ground that such a step would take from them all authority in the matter of granting franchises or fixing rates, he said.

FILLING STATION NOTICE

I will continue permanently with my business, known as John's Service Station, and will try in every way to render the usual good service which I have in the past. Your patronage appreciated.

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JOHN AIKEN.

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UP FOR INVESTIGATION

The State Senate and House of Representatives on Monday of this week, by an overwhelming vote, adopted a joint resolution ordering a sweeping investigation of the State Highway Department and Board of Control affairs. Twenty-four specific charges, with another pending for adoption this week against the Highway Department, and four against the Board of Control were made in the resolutions asking for an investigation. The charges, if true, will reveal affairs exceedingly rotten, and following the conduct and outcome of the preceding Highway Department under the Jim Ferguson administration, the charges will be interesting reading, and we give them listed as follows:

1. Usurpation of equipment engineer's functions by others in recommendation on purchases of equipment.
2. Inexcusable extravagance in purchase of equipment in 1927.
3. Purchase wheels without bids.
4. Improper leasing of road machinery.
5. Leasing State rock crushers to private firms at less than actual depreciation.
6. Extravagance in purchase of two rock crushers, when the State had three leased and two idle.
7. Persistent and inexcusable demand of the Highway Engineer that certain tractors be bought.
8. Recommendation for purchase of lubrication oil from the Texas Company at price higher than other bids.
9. Favoritism in allotment of \$6,200,000 aid to Harris and ten adjoining counties in a period when the other 242 counties of the State were allotted only \$15,000,000.
10. Alleged conspiracy whereby allotments were made to counties that employed a certain firm of engineers as County Engineers.
11. Employment as inspector of a reported salesman on the payroll of a material concern.
12. Extravagance in purchase of road rollers alleged to have been merely old pulley wheels filled with concrete and iron.
13. Employment on another job of a man discharged for payroll padding.
14. Alleged improper purchase of crushed rock.
15. Renting an asphalt distributor already owned by the State and discharge of the employees who discovered and reported it.
16. Attempt to award \$70,000 gravel contract on one bid \$10,000 higher than award was later made.
17. Attempt to purchase gravel on two bids for the same amount, both rejected as there was no genuineness of either.
18. Attempted purchase of highway equipment at prices higher than paid by other States.
19. Payment of freight on machinery on which freight was to be prepaid.
20. Buying big quantities of unneeded bolts without reduction in price.
21. Failure to advertise for bids on construction work.
22. Permitting employes to loaf and charge overtime.

Charges made against the Board of Control were:

1. Permitting purchase of highway machinery complained of above.
2. Improperly permitting salary to be paid to relative of a member of the Board of Control.
3. Working insane patents.
4. Improper acceptance of fire escapes on the State hospital at Austin.

CHECKING UP ON GASOLINE STATIONS

State legislators have conducted a personal check up on gasoline filling stations in and near Austin. The results will be used in connection with two before the legislature. One is a strengthened weight and measure law which has been approved by the house committee on criminal jurisprudence. The other is gas pump licensing bill offered as a part of the highway bills of Governor Moody's advisory committee of 31.

NOTICE

The American Legion Auxiliary has secured the Blue Front Cafe building for their meeting place and will meet there the first Thursday afternoon in February at 2:30. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

Mrs. J. C. MORRIS, President.

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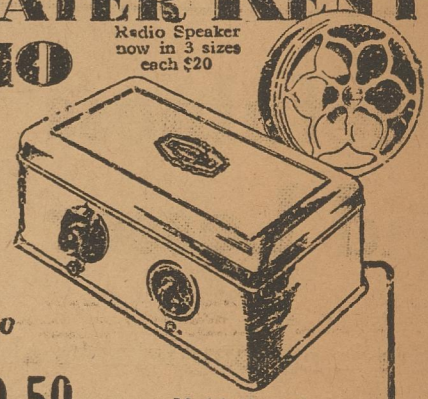
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The following were present at a bridge party in Coleman at the Jackson home past week: Miss Hazelle Dorr, Mmes. Marion Harvey, Geo. Wilson, and Aubra Dodson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garner have returned home after several days visit in Fort Worth.

FOR SALE—Setting Eggs, Rhode Island Reds. See R. E. Wilson, at Wilson's Cafe.

Several Cross Plains citizens attended a bridge supper at Coleman one night last week given by Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rockmaker.

Miss Edith Harison of Childre returned to her home after a visit in Cross Plains.

Mrs. Sam Long and daughter, spent past week end in Valera Price Odom and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde King and Nellie Pearl Walker spent week their homes in Gatesville Mr. K. Miss Walker are teachers schools here.

Dr. McGowen visited in first of week.

Rita Dallas of Baird was a Plains visitor Sunday.

A MARKET FOR ALL YOUR Produce

We are still in the market for your turkeys and will be as long as there are any to be paying you all the nations best market afford.

We feel a just pride in the fact that during the closing season we have been instrumental in bringing more turkeys to Cross Plains than have ever been marketed here in any previous seasons.

THE CHICKEN MARKET

It is now time to look forward to the Chicken Selling Season and it is our desire to assist in bringing a greater number of Chickens to the Cross Plains Market.

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AMERICAN LEGION STARTS NATIONAL SAFETY CAMPAIGN

The American Legion is engaging this year in a great national campaign to prevent fatal accidents, especially among the children, and the Legion of this city is going to do its share to help the movement." Tommie Aiken Post Commander Phil Anderson Post Commander of this city said today in an appeal to all Legionnaires to take part. In this great campaign to help cut down the annual total of fatal accidents, the Legion will join hands with existing safety agencies now in the field. The Legion will seek to conserve the most valuable asset of the nation, the lives of boys and girls. Mechanical devices of our complex civilization, and especially the automobile, is taking an increased weekly toll of bright minds and able bodies.

The saddest part of the whole thing is that many of the fatal accidents are preventable. Proper precaution, and thoughtfulness, that can be built up through a program of education in the city, would have lessened the number of homes made desolate and hearts saddened. The Legion will seek to give a wider knowledge of accidents and how best to prevent them. It will seek to develop a habit of mind, especially among the young, to constantly be on guard and to use caution.

In many departments of the Legion this valuable work is already being done. The Legion has its safety committees that study the highly technical work. Educational campaigns have been carried on in the schools and in the homes with splendid results in cutting down the number of accidents. Road signs and warnings have been erected at strategic points in the cities and along the country highway. Junior Legionnaires have been organized to look after the younger children in the streets, as they cross busy streets, and to sign traffic systems of some of the towns have been replaced by standard, modern plans, through Legion influence.

Legionnaires have distributed thousands of safety pamphlets, sponsored poster contests on the subject, and improved traffic conditions with a view to remedying unsafe practices, sponsored safety tests, and shown safety posters in prominent places. Legion speakers in several states have carried the safety message repeatedly before the eyes of children.

The San Antonio national convention of the Legion gave as one of its planks a national safety campaign. Carrying on, the Legion Posts are taking advantage of another great opportunity of service. The spirit of cooperation to the veteran and to the community is a controlling ideal of the Legion.

BLAZE DESTROYS GIRLS' DORMITORY AT BELTON

Monday Hall, housing 250 girls on the campus of Baylor University at Belton was destroyed by a Saturday morning.

C. Hardy, president of the school, said after a check up of the building there was no loss of life and no injured in fighting the blaze. The officials made a thorough search of the ruins, make sure there was no loss of life, although school authorities denied there was none.

Many stories were told of thrilling escapes by the students. Dorothy Williams, Dallas girl, jumped from a third-story window and was caught in a quilt without injury.

The building, a four story brick, was completely razed. Dr. Hardy estimates the loss at \$150,000 above insurance. The blaze started in the kitchen at the rear of the dormitory and was covered shortly after 3 o'clock by a fireman. A student night watchman, at the time the alarm was sounded, the students gotten out the fire progressed beyond control.

The students, forced into the 20-degree temperature weather, lost all their belongings in the dormitory. Practically nothing was gotten out of the hall except human life," Dr. Hardy said.

The school is a Baptist institution with about 1,500 girl students.

"I suppose you know Alice tried money. They're separated. Aren't they?" "No—just she and her husband separated."

ELY APPOINTED FOR 6 YEAR TERM

Governor Moody has appointed Judge W. R. Ely, present incumbent, to a new term of six years as a member of the State Highway Commission. Judge Ely has just finished a two years term, and we believe he has rendered a faithful and excellent service. He was undecided a short while before the close of the two-years term as to whether he would accept a reappointment, and his warm friends in this judicial district, where he served as district judge for many years, will be glad to know that he will continue with the Highway Commission. Of course the salary paid a member of the State Highway Commission is a very small remuneration for the service of a man of Judge Ely's ability but in that respect he is a good first cousin to our friend Congressman Blanton, and will stay in politics just for the glory of rendering a great and honest service to the people.

THE STATE FAIR BAND CONTEST

While there are more sophisticated kinds of music than the harmony dispensed by a "brass" band no form has a wider appeal. In communities where bands are numerous the seeds of musical culture are germinating.

The small town without a municipal band is short of an important asset. Fortunately there are few towns in so unprogressive. Even the humblest "silver cornet band" is an embryo symphony orchestra, provided the members are sincere in their musical effort and the teacher or director is competent.

The bands of Texas need encouragement. For this reason the offer of the State Fair Association of \$10,000 in prizes for winners of a contest at the State Fair of Texas is highly commendable. The contest should prove to be a musical event of first rate importance. The bandmasters abundantly deserve the support of the communities which they regard as their constituencies.

EVERY ONE HAS A NICKEL

By John Carlyle.

A generation ago a boy came to this country from Italy. He had no money at all. He knew not one word of the language. The friends with whom he lived were equally ignorant. They found time between tasks in which he could go to school, but the teacher lacked inspiration. She discovered that the boy knew arithmetic. "So she let me work out problems on the black-board," said Amedeo.

But when he had worked them out he knew no more than he had known before. No one had spoken to him. He spoke to no one. He became a sweep and shoelack in a saloon and to this day he looks upon this experience as the equivalent of a college education. He picked up word by word. Presently he could understand what was being said. The talk before the bar ranged from philosophy to politics, from folly to metaphysics.

"The customers were good to me," Amedeo Obid said.

They answered questions propounded by the serious boy. Little by little had always been his watchtime. Presently he noted that he had gained all he could hope for a shoelack and sweep and with the few dollars he had saved he bought a fruit stand. Business was not so very good, for the country was experiencing hard times. Amedeo made a profound observation. "I noticed," said he, that every one in this country always has a nickel." He went into the peanut business. Five cents a bag, all hot! Now he is the peanut king of the United States, or if that title seems to take in too much territory, he is one of the peanut kings. He has demonstrated that he possesses the qualities necessary to kingship, but his one stroke of genius was when he learned that basic fact. "Every one has a nickel."

The man who knows how to manage small things, whether sacks of peanuts or querulous bosses or fleeting minutes is on the way to success.

The greatest fortune is made up of pennies.

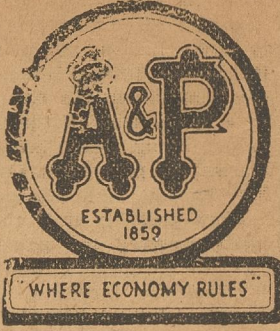
The doctor's little daughter had strayed into his surgery, and was watching, wild-eyed, as he tested the heart and lungs of a patient. Suddenly she spoke:

"Getting any new stations, daddy?"

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TRADE AT HOME

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DILL OR SOUR Pickles . Quart Jar 25c	Peanut Butter . lb. 17c	Post Toasties 2 Large Pkgs. 21c
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Ivory Soap . 2 Med. Cakes 15c	A&P Matches . 2 Boxes 9c	K. C. BAKING POWDER . 15-Oz. Can 22c
Toilet Paper . 4 Rolls 19c	Canned Apples 3 Cans 25c	Palmolive Soap 3 Cakes 22c
		Quaker Oats . Small Pkg. 10c
		Lifebuoy Soap 2 Cakes 15c
		Scot-Tissue TOILET PAPER 3 Rolls 25c
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ALSO COMEDY NEWS
AESPOS FABLES EVENTS

PALACE THEATRE CISCO
SUNDAY FEB. 3RD

Miss Juanita and Bailey Wilson
made a business trip to Dublin and De-
Leon the first of the week.

Tom Bryant, who recently moved
with his family to Fort Worth, was a
business visitor in Cross Plains the
first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williams and
sons were in May Sunday, visiting
Mrs. Williams' mother.

Nat Huggins, football coach, spent
the week end at home in Brownwood.

E. P. Watson and family spent the
week end in Shield with Mr. and Mrs.
Paul McCasland, Mrs. McCasland will
be remembered as Fay Watson.

E. F. Viden and family, moved to
Brownwood Wednesday. Mr. Viden was
formerly with Cree & Co.

Bob Brian made a trip to Abilene
Tuesday.

Homer and Geo. Johnson, of Burkett
as honorary members of the Cross
who have recently been elected as
Plains Lions' Club, were present at the
luncheon Tuesday.

Carl Haley of Baird, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Lon Haley, was operated on last
week in Baird for appendicitis.

Miss Gladys Irvin teacher of Brown-
wood is at home ill this week with the
flu.

E. M. Nance made a business trip to
Lubbock, Plainview and other west
Texas towns first of week.

A number of members of the local
Masonic Lodge visited the Ranger
Lodge last Friday night, where the
Dallas lodge put on some interesting
degree work.

Those attending were: Buddie
Prewitt, H. H. Nash, Frank Green,
Frank King, Jeff Clark, and a number
of others that we did not learn.

Sheriff Everett Hughes of Baird
was a visitor in Cross Plains last Tues-
day. He was accompanied by a field
officer of the Highway Department.

W. L. GARRETT
DIED LAST FRIDAY

W. L. Garrett, age about 47, died at
his home in Breckenridge Friday of
last week and was buried in the
Pioneer cemetery, impressive funeral
services being conducted by his pastor
from Breckenridge. The funeral was
attended by a large number of relatives
and acquaintances of the family from
Cross Plains. Deceased was a brother-
in-law of Matt Browning and Earl
Dennis of Cross Plains. Gus Dennis of
Pioneer, and a brother of J. P. Smith
of Big Lake.

BULLOCK-DOYLE

A surprise union, the marital rites
being solemnized at Dublin, happened
a few days ago when two of our pop-
ular young people, Tom Bullock, for-
merly with the Smith Drug Store,
and Miss Hazel Jordan Doyle, em-
ployed with the local office of the
Southwest Gas Co., returned from a
visit to the bride's home at Dublin and
announced that they had embarked on
the sea of matrimony. However the
surprise was soon dispelled and they
were recipients of hearty congratula-
tions and every wish for a happy future
life. Mr. Bullock has purchased the
Coffee Shop Cafe on North Main
street, and will conduct the Blue Moon
Cafe in its location. Mrs. Bullock will
continue with the gas company.

Claude Hogue has returned from
Big Lake where he has been employed
by West Texas Utilities Co. Claude is
going to make his home here for the
present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Conlee were
Eastland visitors Sunday.

Jimmy Love of Odessa was in Cross
Tuesday.

Mrs. La Vera Welch of Pioneer was
in Cross Plains Monday.

"Oh" growled the man working over
the engine, "that dad-blasted bus has
been associated with my wife's vis-
iting relatives and now even it has
got sense enough to go when it ought

ASKS CANCELLATION
W. O. W. LIFE POLICIES

The Woodmen of the World Life
Insurance Company was asked to
cancel "old line" life insurance
policies in a petition filed in district
court at Omaha, Neb., last Saturday
by William W. Mace, a member of the
W. O. W. Society for twenty years.
The society, he said, for some time
has been selling twenty-year payment
life insurance, ordinary whole life poli-
cies and other level premium contract.
Mace requested that the W. O. W. be
compelled to cancel the policies be ob-
jects to. Mace was an intervenor in
the recent suit attacking the sale of
the Woodmen of the World Building
for \$1,600,000.

COLEMAN HAS DEAF
AND DUMB OFFICER

Coleman is perhaps the only town in
the United States that has a deaf and
dumb peace officer. It is Rush
Johnigan. He was elected by the
people of precinct No. 1, which is Cole-
man, in the 1928 July primary election
over three opponents and qualified
January 1. To facilitate work he has
appointed a deputy constable that
talks the language of the fingers and
acts as interpreter for his chief.
Johnigan has been serving as a deputy
sheriff in Coleman county for many
years.

IN THE MECHANICAL
AGE

Out of over 500 students in a west-
ern high school, only 59 passed an
examination of problems in seventh
and eighth grade arithmetic. Only two
of the 59 received a perfect score.
Carelessness was the cause of the
failures, according to those in charge.

We are willing to let it go at care-
lessness. Perhaps it is partly due to
the increasingly mechanical methods
of the age. Knowing that when they
get out into the business world they
can push a lever and get a sum in
addition, subtraction, or whatever
else, they formed a conclusion they
would seldom need to think for them-
selves.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Thadus Kelly entertained a
number of friends at bridge Wednes-
day evening at her home. The house
was livened with cut flowers, and
tasteful refreshments with a flower
were served to the following: Misses
Dorothy Davis, Mary Massa, McLaren,
Messrs. Nat Huggins, Fred Alexander,
Dr. McGowan, Messrs. and Meses,
Clyde Durlinger, Frank King, Renerick
Clark. Lovely prizes were awarded
Mrs. Frank King and Renerick Clark.

We are supposed to have equality
under the Constitution in this country,
but the farmers have been given the
preference—in promises.

Teacher "Now Jimmy, what are you
doing, learning anything?"

Jimmy "No ma'am, I was just listen-
ing to you."

Salesman: "Here is a very nice
pistol, lady. It shoots nine times."

Fair Customer: "Say, what do you
think I am—a polygamist?"

They call a wad of money a roll be-
cause it gathers no moss.

Patronage consists of two things:
the trade in dollars and cents, and the
finishing touches are put on it by the
business men of Cross Plains by creat-
ing good will and friendly relations.

In unity there is strength enough
to turn the wheel of fortune for every
one, so let's everybody in Cross Plains
go to it again.

Man wants little here below, and
one of those little things is that
crazy automobile drivers will keep
their side of the road.

Diplomatic Privileges

Not many people know that diplo-
mats, even though civilians, wear a
distinctive uniform for formal occa-
sions. The more gold on sleeve and
collar the higher the rank. All wear
dress swords. Their order of prece-
dence is not governed, as many people
think, by size or importance of the
country. It hinges on length of serv-
ice at a particular post. In other
words, the man who is longest rep-
resented his country as ambassador
at Washington comes first. He is
called the dean of diplomatic
corps.—Pathfinder

When Chess Was Put
Under Churchly Ban

As to how chess was introduced
into western and central Europe little
is really known, and still less about
its advent into this country. Some
say that chess was brought into Eu-
rope at the time of the Crusades, the
theory being that Christian warriors
learned to play it at Constantinople,
but this has been disproved.

More probable it is that the Span-
iards received the game from their
Mosaic conquerors, who had learned
it from the Persians, who in their
turn had been initiated into it by the
Hindus, while the Italians acquired
chess from the Byzantines.

It seems that chess was known in
Italy before the first Crusade, for
there is extant, says Colonel Whittin,
in the Nineteenth Century, a curious
letter from the cardinal archbishop of
Ostia to Pope Alexander II, written
about 1061, bearing on the game.

The cardinal had imposed a pen-
ance on a bishop whom he had found
diverting himself with chess, and in
his letter to the pope the cardinal
quotes the language of reproof he
had used to his erring subordinate:
"Was it right, I say, and consistent
with thy duties, to sport away thy
evenings amidst the vanities of chess
and defile the hand which offers up
the body of the Lord, and the tongue
which mediates between God and
man, with the pollution of this sacrilegious game?"

Travel Always With
Death as Companion

Bolivia is probably the most inac-
cessible country in the world. It can
only be reached by crossing the Andes
or by taking a long and difficult jour-
ney through the Argentine. Thus,
although it is four times as large as
Great Britain, its population is only
one-quarter that of London.

It lies wholly in the tropical belt,
but much of its surface consists of a
lofty tableland running up to 13,000
feet, where the climate is intensely
dry and cold, with considerable snow
and fearful electric storms.

A track crosses this great plateau
to the western seaboard, and along
this trail travels a constant stream of
mules and donkeys carrying rubber
and other products of Bolivia to the
coast. In many places the track is a
mere shelf of rock with nothing be-
tween its edge and a drop of thou-
sands of feet. In places the track rises
15,000 feet above sea level. The whole
trail is lined with the bleached skele-
tons of pack animals, and the losses
are enormous.

On this plateau, at a height of 13,
000 feet, is the vast Lake Titicaca, al-
most as big as Lake Erie in Canada.

United States "Christian"

In the case of the Church of the
Holy Trinity versus the United States,
argued in the Supreme court, January
7, 1892, the decision was handed down
by Justice Brewer, a part of which
reads as follows: Justice Brewer
stated that in his opinion the fact that
"the form of oath, the custom of open-
ing the national and state assemblies
with prayer, the laws of Sabbath ob-
servance, with the closing of courts,
legislatures and similar public as-
semblies on that day the number of
churches, missionaries, philanthropists,
these and many other matters which
might be noticed, add a volume of un-
official declarations to the mass of or-
ganic utterances that this is a Chris-
tian nation."

Longest Bridges

In estimating which is the longest
bridge in the world, the length of the
main span is usually considered, with-
out the approaches. The Quebec cant-
ilever bridge over the St. Lawrence,
1,800 feet main span, is the longest.
The new Delaware river bridge be-
tween Philadelphia and Camden, 1,
750 foot span, is the longest suspen-
sion bridge in the world. If ap-
proaches are considered, the Key
West extension of the Florida East
Coast railroad, a 30-mile viaduct, is
perhaps the longest. The Lucin cut-
off across the Great Salt Lake is 20
miles long. The Cerno Voda bridge
over the Danube at Constanza is 12
miles long.

The fate of the original draft of
the Declaration of Independence is
not known. It probably went to the
printer on the day after the declara-
tion was adopted. The engrossed
copy which was ultimately signed by
the members of the Continental con-
gress was formerly in the archives of
the State department, but is now
preserved in the Library of Congress.
There, protected against handling and
injurious light, it is now constantly
on public view.

No Gallantry to Men

Attention is frequently called to
the fact that women have accomplished
almost none of the really great things.
Is this due to the habit of forever
praising women? There have been
millions of really great men. These
have had their share of human weak-
nesses, but they have accomplished
great practical results. Is this due
to our habit of pointing out men's
faults frankly? In all history gal-
lantry was never shown a man.—E.
W. Howe's Monthly.

Poor Program

First Guest—Smith's set has un-
usually good selectivity, hasn't it?
Second Guest—Yes, but Smith's se-
lectivity isn't so good.

THE PRICE OF VENGEANCE

(By R. F. GAFFORD)
Cross Plains

I was just entering into bachelor-
hood, and had never had a love affair,
and knew very little about women in
general, when I first met Nina Corby.
In fact, I knew nothing about them. I
had been too indifferent towards them
to bother about them. The thought
of love, had never entered my mind.
In fact, I had dislike for women—not
a special dislike, but just indifferent.
I didn't care. I had been accused of
being a cynic. But I wasn't, I had
never bothered by mind about them
enough to be a cynic. But I did have
 queer ideas about life.

Life had never been of much interest
to me, especially, since I had lost my
father a few years previous—and the
things that the men of my set took the
most interest in, was of very little im-
portance to me. I don't know why,
but somehow, I was different to other
fellows. I had never cared for social
life, and I was the least interested
in sports of any kind. Outside of the
business world, which interested me
but very little, I lived a life of seclusion
and devoted all of my idle hours to
books. I had discovered a new world
in the books. Spencer, and Nietzsche,
Schopenhauer, had opened to me the
door to a new realm. And I drank
freely, from the fountain of knowledge,
but not deeply. I still cleaved to the
good Presbyterian doctrines, and believ-
ed, all was well, that ended well.

At times, I realized that I was lonely.
I had never known a brother, or sister
love. I had been robbed of my mother
in early youth, and then in later years,
of my father. Now, I was left alone,
and the last of my stock. It seemed
that I had been denied most every-
thing that was worthwhile in life, and
life had just become, almost a burden,
full of events and silly happenings of
very little importance.

Money! I had plenty. But it failed
to buy satisfaction. My only source of
pleasure were my books, and all my
idle hours, I spent with them. I had
become just a mechanical device in my
business, and took very little interest
in it. I had all the money I needed;
why bother about trying to make more?
It could not buy satisfaction.

So you see I was different. I had
no spite, or grudge against anything,
or anybody. I was just indifferent—I
didn't care.

But when I met Nina, there was a
change. She was so different. And
yet she wasn't different to the other
girls I had met. But there was
something about her that aroused in
me something that had never been
awakened before. She was from St.
Louis, and was visiting an old school-
mate in my home town when I met her.

A brief courtship followed, and then
we were married. The wedding was a
very quiet affair, and after a
brief honeymoon, we returned and
took up life in my old home. I did not
care for excitement; did not care to
make it a dazzling affair. There I was
different to most of the men in my set.
I loved my little wife with a mad
passionat love, and did not care to
exhibit her before the world, for the
men to feast their gluttonous eyes upon
her beauty. I wanted her to myself.
I can look back now, and realize how
selfish I was.

The days that followed were full of
sunshine and happiness. I had never
thought that I could be so happy.
Nina grew more wonderful each day,
and I lived and thrived upon my love
for her. Time slipped by unheeded
without a cloud to mire my happiness.
Then one day an old friend blew in
to town that I had not seen for several
years. We had grown up together
from childhood, and I loved him more
than anyone living except Nina. We
had always been like brothers to each
other. But in the late years, our paths
in life had parted. After the death of
my father, he had sold the old home,
and took the adventure path that led
out and away over the world, and I had
never seen him since.

He informed me that he was married,
AND OUT. Had spent all his money
roving around over the world, and had
come back to the old home penniless
to start all over again. Of course, I
was in sympathy with him, and was
glad to give him a life. I told him that
I would give him full charge of my
business, and perhaps a junior partner-
ship later, if he proved competent.

"Robert, its mighty fine of you to do
this for me," he said with tears of
gratitude. "You don't know how much
I appreciate it."

"Its nothing," I returned lightly,
touched by his gratitude. "Its no more
than I should do for an old friend like
you. Besides, you are doing a lot for
me by taking this burden off of my
shoulders. Forget it."

"I can never forget it. Robert. But
let my assiduity henceforth exam-
plify my gratitude."

"Don't thank me, thank my wife.
For it is to her, mostly, that you owe
your gratitude. It was only last night
that she suggested that I get a
manager to look after my business for
me, or perhaps I would have never
thought of the idea."

"Did you say your wife? he asked
somewhat surprised.

"Yes, I'm married. Been married
almost a year."

"Congratulations," he said, clasping
my hand warmly. "But who's the
lucky lady? Anyone that I ever
knew?"

"No, she lived in St. Louis. Was
visiting here when I met her. Name
was Nina Corby."

"Nona Corby?" he asked, and
thought he looked a little startled.

"Yes. Know her?" I asked casually.
He was silent for a moment before
he replied.

"No, I suppose I don't, but the name
did sound familiar at first."

"I want you to make your home with
us Hal," I said. "There is plenty of
room in the old house, and you are
perfectly welcome."

"But suppose your wife objects? he
answered.

"But she will not object," I returned.



TO BE CONTINUED

Callahan Tournament
Dates Set Feb. 8

The Buffaletts first game and first
Victory over the Cross Cut Girls, Wed-
nesday 30, on their own court, by

56 - 29 SCORE

The Buffaloes and Buffaletts, boys
and girls basket ball team represent
the Cross Plains High School, will
journey to Abilene, the 8 and 9
February, to compete in the basket ball
tournament, to be held in that city.
The boys team has not faced
this season, having dropped three con-
ference games. The girls have
yet played.

A large crowd of basket ball fans
are expected to accompany the team
to Abilene. Even the best teams are
backing and support.

Coaches Huggins and Daniels are
working their teams hard and expect
to go far in the tournament.

Bufs Dislike Game
Can't Get Started

When half of a team does not
the game they, are playing, how
they win? Such is the case of the
Cross Plains Buffaloes. Mighty
football, because they love it, weak
basket ball because some of them do
not like the game.

Only two of them are all-around
athletes. All are football men, and
only two really basket ball men. The
reason for their dislike of the game
is this: The fans do not support
the quintet. Use to having the big
support of the town in football, they
dislike the game because of no
support in basket ball. GET BEHIND
THE BUFFALOES! Go down to
Murphy Field and watch them win
out.

Eight basket ball teams of Callahan
county are slated to settle their cham-
pionship February 8 and 9, dates set
for their tournament at one of the Abilene
gymnasiums, according to Roy Mor-
Clyde, County director of athletics.

Teams which will compete are Callahan,
Enla, Denton, Oplin, Putnam, Brown,
Cross Plains and Colony. Girls team
will also play tournament at the same
time, but their competition did not go
beyond the county. The winner of the
boys meet will enter the district tourna-
ment at Roby two weeks later.

Rufus Hyde Simmons, University
athlete, will referee the boys games.

When you begin to notice falling
hair you're not very far away from
falling hair to a lustrous crown.



Imagining Seaborn Collins Carrying his books home in the above picture

IMAGINE

(ed) Robertson starting to
n.
(ed) Barr spending \$10.50
gasoline.
ers wearing red.
(Peggy) Jones wondering
ton's son has mustache.
hiek) Carmichael asking
e dead sea.
eedy buying a \$15.00 hat.
Reynolds singing My
Dreams.

Margaret Holeman trying to absorb
something in civics.
Earnest (Stinky) Davis sleeping
until eleven o'clock Friday morning.
Hubert Maddux taking trio.
Dorris Placke wearing curls.
Philip becoming overheated in
English class.
Stanley (Fat) Clark letting studying
interfere with his educating.
Vera Ford having a date every
night.

more difficult to absorb.

Some semi-elliptic springs rest on
their middle, or heaviest and thickest
portions, below the line of sprung
weight. Thus, the weightiest sections
of the springs themselves form part
of the unsprung weight, adding to the
size of the "hammer" and the power
of the blows dealt by the highway
against the body, frame and motor of
the car.

In Ford design, the transverse
spring rest on their flexible ends, with
heavy mid-portions uppermost, in
which position they form part of the
spring, or cushioned weight.

Aside from the question of weight,
the transverse spring contributes again
to the comfortable riding qualities of
the Model A.

The ordinary car is pushed forward
by way of the rear axle and the rear
springs—the rear springs actually
serve as driving members! The front
halves of these springs must therefore
be made stiff enough to serve this
purpose, and their flexibility, which
enables them to perform their cushion-
ing function, is reduced in a corres-
ponding degree. Moreover, in order to
be efficient driving members, their
front ends must be fastened firmly to
the frame of the car. This means that
the lengthening of the spring as shocks

are encountered must be entirely to-
ward the rear, for only the rear end
of the spring can have a shackled and
hinged mounting. As the spring flexes,
therefore, the rear wheels are moved
backward and forward, and neither a
constant nor uniform wheelbase can
be maintained.

In the Model A the rear springs serve
a cushioning function only. The car
is pushed forward through the torque
tube and radius rods, which carry the
thrust to a point well forward on the
chassis. Both ends of the springs,
therefore, are shackled and hinged, and
all leaves are as flexible as their
efficiency and cushioning members re-
quire. The flexing of the springs has
no effect on the length of the wheel-
base whatever.

In addition to the special spring de-
sign, the Model A Ford has as standard
equipment a very fine type of hy-
draulic shock absorbers which add
materially to the smooth riding
qualities of the car.

CHURCH CONDUCTS
BIBLE MARATHON

A marathon that was quite a contrast
to tripping the light fantastic past a
number of the wesma' hour mileposts
was recently conducted by the pastor
of a Ranger church. It was a bible
reading marathon and it took just
seventy hours for the readers to cover
the stretch from Genesis to Revela-
tions. The scriptural scoot started on
Thursday night at nine o'clock and
ended Sunday night at seven o'clock.

As the last word "Amen" was uttered
a sigh of relief swept over the con-
gregation. It took just twelve hours
longer to read the book than the
pastor, Rev. P. T. Stanford, thought
for at the beginning. He predicted
it would end between 7 and 8 o'clock
Saturday morning. As it was it was
necessary to postpone the morning
service in order to get the marathon
over.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend thanks to each
and everyone who in words, deeds or
flowers helped us during the illness
and death of our dear wife, mother,
sister and daughter. May we live to
show our appreciation of you, and may
God's richest blessings be with you, is
our prayer.

JOHN B. and ZALIE AIKEN.
J. C. MURDOCK and SONS.
J. G. AIKEN and WIFE.

Add Durant's \$25,000 to the growing
cost of prohibition enforcement.

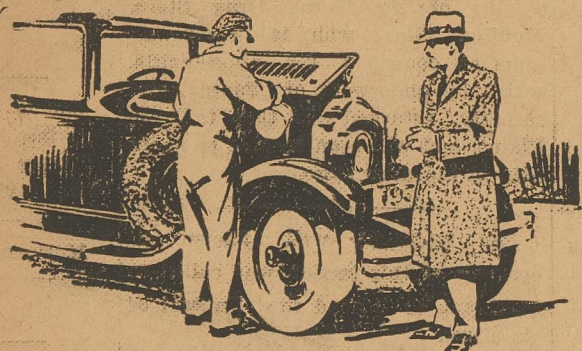
FOR QUALITIES
NEW MODEL FORD

ture of the new Ford car has
subject of more enthusiastic
than its riding qualities. To
accustomed to riding in a car
so-called light or medium
class, the degree to which the
absorbs road shocks and re-
away is little short of un-

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in these respects in a simple,
real way.

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flexible than those used on
ous Ford car.

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ight. Sprung weight is all
suspended by the flexible
e springs; unsprung weight
weight below flexible ends,
that the higher the propor-
sprung weight, the more
nd violent will be the road
vered against the frame,
motor of the car, and the



THE FIRST LAW
OF MOTORING—
be sure of your OIL

IF motorists could only be thoroughly im-
pressed with the paramount importance of
proper lubrication, cars would last longer, de-
preciation would decrease and operating costs
would tumble to a fraction of their present
staggering figure.

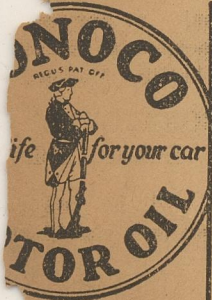
When you allow an unknown, unbranded,
"mystery" oil to go into your crankcase you
are violating the first law of economical and
efficient motoring.

By demanding the tried and tested brands
marketed by the Continental Oil Company you
are sure of your oil. Back of each of these
brands stands the experience of almost 50 years
—and a reputation which stands for nothing
but the best. Ask for these brands at service
stations and the better garages.

Conoco Amalie is 100%
Pennsylvania Oil—re-
fined from premium
crudes by a special pro-
cess. Universally recom-
mended by automotive
engineers and lubrication
experts.
Through exhaustive labo-
ratory and road tests it
has demonstrated its abili-
ty to lubricate properly
under the most trying
conditions of motor opera-
tion.

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Producers, Refiners and Marketers
of high-grade petroleum products in Arizona, Ar-
kansas, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Mon-
tana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon,
South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming



EXTRA
LIFE
for your car



RAISES 80 BALES OF
COTTON ON 40 ACRES

John McFarland, known as the
"East Texas Cotton King," again
proves his right to that title. This
crop year he produced 80 bales of
cotton on 40 acres and he credited his
success to improved methods of farm-
ing, including the intelligent use of
McFarland, who lives near Pales-
commercial fertilizers.
time, Texas, has won several prizes
in the Dallas News More and Better
Cotton on Fewer Acres contests. On
the present crop he applied 350 pounds
of a 12-4-4 fertilizer in the bedded rows
which were approximately three feet
apart. After the cotton was planted,
he used another 150 pounds of nitrate
of soda per acre. Weeds were
kept down and proper soil mulch was
maintained by cultivation. Most of
the cotton fruited heavily, some having
as many as 80 bolls to the stalk. He
used several varieties, but the Delfos
averaged a large number of bolls per
stalk than any other variety.

Modern motorized farm implements
as well as other improved types and a
representative number of well known
makes of automobiles will be exhibited
at the second annual Automobiles and
farm implements show to be held at the
A. and M. College of Texas February
8 under the auspices of the student
branch of the American Society of
Agricultural Engineers. The show
will be held on Kyle Field at the
College and will be of an instructional
nature. A feature of the farm
implement section will be special
types of mechanical cotton pickers.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends
and neighbors for their kindness and
help shown us during the illness and
death of our dear mother. May God
bless everyone of you.

Mrs. Bert Brown.
Mrs. G. W. Ramsey.
Mrs. W. N. Nunn.
Mrs. B. F. Wright
Mrs. D. M. Flippin.
E. D. Henson.

Congress has promised to try about
every means of farm relief except
praying for rain.

PILING UP THE TAX
BURDEN

For a number of years past the
Federal government has been carrying
on a scientific and effective economy
campaign that has resulted in a de-
creased cost of government, and ap-
preciably lower taxes. In contrast to
this, local government, city, county
and state, have required a steadily
rising amount of money for their un-
keep.

According to authoritative figures,
the various state governments now
have a gross bonded indebtedness close
to two million dollars, an increase of
more than \$125,000,000 in a year. The
indebtedness averages \$16 for every
man, woman and child in the nation.

What must be the consequence of
this is clear. We are menaced by gov-
ernmental expenses that, when trans-
lated into taxes, will dissuade the
prospective industrialist, discourage
the investor and burden the ordinary
taxpayer.

Government is a business. Subject
to all business conditions. Our great
industries are models of efficiency and
economy, beside which the average
local government is prodigal in its
waste. It is time thinking citizens in-
sisted that government should consist
of more and better business and less
politics. Shifting tax burdens from
one class of property or one class of
citizens to another brings no real tax
relief—it generally means a greater
total of taxes. —Gorman Progress.

Billie Smith of the San Saba News
is running Tom Blanton for governor
two years from now. And the Free
Press is rather inclined to help in the
movement. This paper would be pleas-
ed to honor a man who we deem as
worthy of the honor as Mr. Blanton.—
DeLeon Free Press.

CROSS CUT SCHOOL
NEWS

Rev. G. W. Renfro, pastor of the
Methodist church, addressed the
pupils Wednesday. His subject was
the "World and Its Phenomena."

The Cross Cut Tigers beat the fast
team of Burkett, Friday. The score
was: Cross Cut 18, Burkett 17.

The grammar school boys beat the
Cross Plains grammar boys last
Wednesday, score 6 to 4.

NOTICE

We have Two Donkeys in the pound
and owners may have same by calling
and paying the required fee.

FOR SALE—17 Pigs and one meat
hog. See Lee Champion, 2 miles
south of Cottonwood.

NOTICE

We have taken charge of the kinder-
garten formerly conducted by Mrs.
Ike Kendrick. For information call
No. 6, Mrs. Fred Bailes and Mrs. Olan
Stewart. 1tp

Water Well Drilling Wanted, while-
machine is in Cross Plains. Also for
sale one disc harrow with seeder, one
lister carrier and plow. W. B. Var-
ner, Cottonwood, Texas. 42-1tp

NOTICE

Dr. Gormley will be in his office
at Cross Plains Studo Saturday Feb.
2, from 10 a. m., until 3 p. m., for the
purpose of fitting glasses and treat-
ing eyes. The value of a pair glasses
lies in the skill of the doctor who fits
them.

NOTICE

There will be an old fashion Box-
supper in the basement of the Metho-
dist church, on Thursday night, Jan.
31, under auspices of the Y. P. M. S.
and Ladies Missionary Society.
Everybody invited. 2-T-mp

TRADE AT HOME



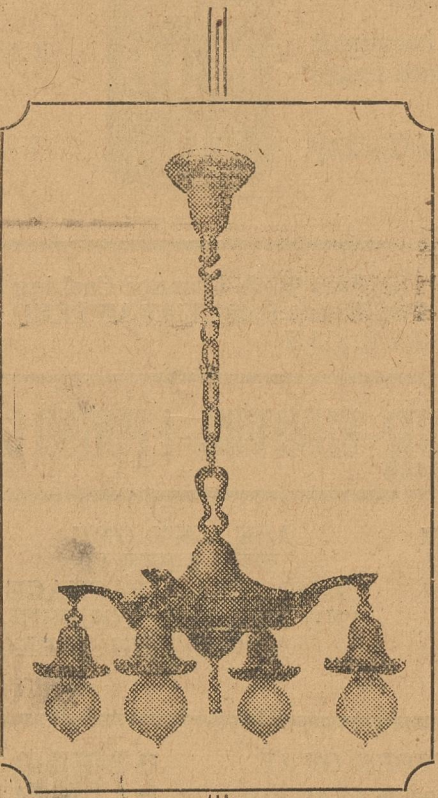
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NEW
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AFTER all is said and done, the old saying comes back, "There's No Place Like HOME." . . . At last it is realized that "HOME" means something glorious, it means that it is a place close to every one, a place they strive to make more beautiful. . . . No matter how large, no matter how small, every home can be made more homelike, every room more cozy—yes, everything about your home beautiful can bear a more attractive appearance.



Our New Lighting Fixtures will make your home a place of rare beauty; they are made of high quality material and designed by expert craftsmen. . . . Their distinctive appearance, together with the soft glow of tinted lamps, will most certainly make your home more like home! . . . Allow us to show you our wide assortment; you'll surely like them. . . . What is more, they are—

Priced Within
the Reach of All!

West Texas Utilities
Company

When you don't hear anything about one of our great men for quite a long time you know he's been elected Vice-President. Maybe they haven't found out what static is, but from a Chicago station the other night it sounded much like cats' erfitin.

Williams Planing
Mill

AUTO GLASS - - WINDOW GLASS

We Are Equipped to Cut Grind And Polish
Automobile Glass For Any Car.

PICTURE FRAMING

Just received several new styles of picture moulding. We now have eighteen different mouldings to select from.

So Quiet

After we finish overhauling your engine it will run so quietly you will have to listen to hear it. Exact workmanship in handling each part of the job, is one reason.

Joe B. Poe

"THEM" WOOD HAULERS

(By Joe Sappington)

One of the most deceptive things in earth, barring a patent churn and the age of an old maid, is a load of stove-wood scientifically prepared for market by a professional wood hauler. You can look at a horse and guess how tall he is, and you can look into his mouth and tell within eight or ten years of his age. We can usually tell about how large the fish was that got away from our neighbor after a two-hour struggle, in which said neighbor lost a corn cob pipe and a wooden leg, by just quietly supposing that the fish weighed just about three ounces; but when it comes to the average load of stove-wood of commerce, no one but a practical stove-wood architect, with a first-grade certificate can tell anything about it. It was either a Chinaman or Norwegian who once said "all is not gold that glitters," and I will also add that all is not stove-wood that looks woody.

I have frequently gazed upon the cold and pulseless form of a load of stove-wood that had the appearance of being stall fed, but after negotiating a deal for it would immediately take on the appearance of an old work mule, that had wintered himself on broom weeds.

How sad it is to see a strong man in the very prime of life, around zero, talking to a professional wood hauler, trying to soften the wood hauler's heart by telling him that he has but sixty-five cents to his name and that his wife and children are at that moment sitting around a cheerless fire with nothing to burn but the floor out of his north gallery, and then to hear the Spanish oak pole juggler tell him in the most heartless manner that he would never take less than "six-bits" for that load of wood.

About five years ago I bought a load of wood from a fellow that caused me to almost lose faith in wood haulers. This old pole manipulator had a real pious look about him, dipped snuff, quoted Scripture and wore a plug hat, and I was inclined to believe everything he said about his wood without investigating it. I told him that I wanted a load of dry wood, as our stove would burn nothing else. He assured me his wood was as dry as powder, and said that he had come within an ace of burning up his wagon and team that morning by accidentally dropping a lighted match on it. He wanted \$3 for that load of wood at the start, but I finally got him down to \$1.25. I paid him 75 cents down, and agreed to pay the balance on the installment plan of 25 cents a week until paid. I then told him how to find our house, bid him an affectionate farewell and begged him to bring his family and stay all night with us sometime.

As I drew near to our house on that memorable day, on my way to dinner, I saw a great smoke arising in the back yard and supposed it was trash burning. As I drew nearer I saw my wife standing at the gate and my practiced eye caught a glint in her eyes that caused me to come to a standstill and propound a few questions to the prospects of an early frost, and I incidentally referred in the smoky condition of our back yard. She invited me to come nearer as she wanted me to have a heart-to-heart talk with her. I told her if she would lay down that stick of stove-wood she held in her hand and would meet me half way, step for step, I would grant her an audience, but otherwise I could not grant her the boon of society. After much persuasion on my part she finally complied with my request and explained the cause of the smoke in the back yard and told me why she was armed with a stick of wood. She said that as soon as our wood arrived that morning she started to cook dinner with it, but to her great disappointment she could not get it to burn and after vainly trying for two hours had to give it up. She said that she had started out in the usual way to make the wood burn, but it proceeded to send forth great quantities of mahogany colored smoke throughout the entire house; she then poured all the coal oil there was on the place over it, which only changed the color of the smoke; she then poured all our hard oil with no other result than to change the smell of it, and she said that in her desperate efforts to make it burn she not only used coal oil and lard, but finally she threw in salt, pepper, dish rags, a pair of my trousers and a couple of pairs of old shoes, but all to no purpose. After trying for two hours to make it burn, she then tried to put the smoke out by pouring a bucket of water over the wood, but it failed to have any effect on it; she then took the tongs and pitched it stick by stick into the back yard where it could smoke unmolested to its heart's content.

An examination of that load of

wood disclosed the startling fact that the sanctimonious old cuss had sold me a load of draft wood that he had pulled out of the river on his way to town that morning.

We never tried to burn another stick of that wood, but we could feel its influence for many days afterwards by the scent of coal oil, woolen rags and burnt leather, and by the fitful gusts of smoke that rose ever and anon from the roof of our house.

Just two weeks after I bought that load of drift wood from that sanctified snuff-dipper, I got into another scrape almost as bad. I gave a fellow "six-bits" in spot cash for a load of wood brought by proxy, and he swore it was cut up into twelve-inch stove-wood lengths, but when I went home I found thirteen poles, the shortest one of them being nineteen feet long. I had no ax with which to cut them to stove-wood lengths, so I had to stand out in the yard and hold these poles in the stove while my wife cooked.

I once bought a load of wood from a hair-lipped fellow that was so crooked, that it wouldn't lie still on the ground, and we had to keep the gate closed to keep it from getting over into our neighbor's yard.

About a year ago I was accosted by a wood hauler who presented his card that he took from his hip pocket of his overalls, and read as follows: "H. Soonafterwards Plunket, dealer in Heart of Oak Stove-wood, and President of the Wood Haulers Union. Your business and influence appreciated."

After giving me his card he informed me that he had some testimonials from a few of his stove-wood patients that he wished to submit for my consideration, as he had been informed that I had been badly treated by some unscrupulous wood haulers, who had through his influence as president of the W. H. U. been expelled from the union on account of their treatment of me.

I read two of his testimonials, which convinced me that he was all right, and immediately bought from him a big looking stocky load of stove wood that he said had disshed his wagon wheels on account of its great weight, but sad to relate, Mr. Plunket was no improvement over some others of whom I have bought wood, and I believe his testimonials were base forgeries, since he sold this load of wood to nine other good law-abiding citizens and then delivered it to a saloon keeper in exchange for a bottle of white corn whiskey, and then like the classic Arab he quietly folded his tent and changed his wood market to another place, where suckers were more plentiful.

"POP" FRAZIER RE-
COUNTS EXPERIENCES
IN T. B. T. A.

"Pop" Frazier, local band director related to his band, some of his experiences in the Texas Band Teachers Convention, held recently in Dallas. Pop is President of the Association.

"After I had called the house to order," stated Pop, The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Dallas arose and asked permission to speak. Permission was granted him. He offered the Association \$10,000 if they would hold their annual Band Contest at the State Fair in Dallas this coming fall. A gentleman from Waco made the same proposition for the Cotton Palace. As the Dallas proposition had precedent over the Waco proposition, the Dallas proposition was accepted. I had written to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of El Paso to have a representative at the Convention, but that representative did not show up and we did not consider El Paso as the location of the contest.

"After the morning session, on Saturday," Continued Pop.

"We were led to the Baker Hotel, where we were luncheoned by the Chamber of Commerce, after the luncheon we were driven all over Dallas by Chauffeurs in forty Cadillac Sedans. After the ride, we were taken to the Majestic Theater and scattered about the audience. Suddenly a spotlight played on me. I moved over to the next seat thinking there had been a mistake. The spot light followed. I tried to escape it—and couldn't.

The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce had me to be still long enough to be introduced, one by one the other officials of the association were introduced. The fun came when they tried to escape the spot light—couldn't.

The Band Teachers voted to donate \$50 on the monument to be erected in honor of Bruce Mac Quaide former band director of the Cross Plains band.

LIBERTY THEATRE

"Where Everybody Goes"

FRIDAY—

JOHN GILBERT, AND RENEE ADOREE

—in—

"Honor Bound"

The Stars of The "Big Parade" shine again in "Honor Bound" the sake of his family's Honor a gallant soldier is forced to lie and claim his twin brother's wife as his own. You like this One. And remember it's the most liked and most couple on the screen today JOHN GILBERT and ADOREE.

Also a god Comedy, —Also Free China Ware day for the

SATURDAY—

TIM McCOY

in

"Beyond the Sierras"

Beyond the wildest dreams of Wealth. Beyond the Law. Western Picture with one of the greatest western stories

ALSO A GOOD COMEDY

MONDAY—

MARGORIE BUBE

in

"The Farmers Daughter"

Her Calves were her fortune. Just a "Farmers Daughter" she sure knew her vegetables and "how" with a thousand reel laughs. Guaranteed. You'll Be sorry miss this.

ALSO A GOOD COMEDY

TUESDAY—

A GREAT POPULAR SONG, A GREAT MAN, A GREAT STORY BUT A GREATER PICTURE IS

"Casey Jones"

WITH RALPH LEWIS JASON ROBARDS, KATE PRICE, AL ST JOHN.

ALSO A GOOD COMEDY

One of the Greatest of all Railroad picture. A Real Drama.

Also a good Comedy. We are not Running serial Now.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
MARY PICKFORD —The World's Sweetheart

In

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A throbbing story of young love set daily among the geese—a five and ten cent story, enlivened with a thousand Laughs, through it all the vibrant joy of the eternal play Girl Pickford, Her BEST PICTURE. Something you've never her in before—Our Mary in Love. A picture that will be enjoyed by everyone 5 to 60—years. Love thrills, sighs Lots of laughs. Our Mary at her lovable laughable best. Also Comedy, and a good one, and Free China Ware day for

Mrs. J. G. Sims and daughter, Mrs. Walker Richardson of Santa Anna, came over last Monday for a visit with their son, Clyde Sims, who is proprietor of the Texas Drug Store, Moulton Sims, who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis, which he underwent at Santa Anna recently, returned with them to Cross Plains, and will soon be able to again help in the drug store.

Roy Hickman, well known oil operator of this section was called to Oklahoma to attend the funeral of his sister.

Mmes. Fred Cutbirth, Russell McGowen, Geo. Scott, and Mike Cook of Putnam, made a business trip to Abilene past week end.

Miss Yvette Sipes who is teaching in the school at Burkett spent past week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sipes, here.

Mmes. Paul Green, Hubert Jones and Frank Bney of Rising Star were business visitors in Cross Plains past week.

Miss Nell Koonce of visited with Miss France past week end.

business visitor here Monday. Top Windham of Byrd's

Mrs. J. A. Cole visited Star last Friday afternoon. Homer Johnson of Bu business visitor here past v.

Murman McGowen and Coleman visited with friends here Sunday.

Miss Eva Clark of Cross Plains is visiting in Cross Plains Sunday. Jack Scott, son of Mr. Geo. Scott, run up a high athletics at Simmons University, Abilene. Jack is a very patient, and has had a number of ups.

The bridge club had their Tuesday afternoon meeting at of Mrs. Frank Green. Refreshments were served to the and prizes, Miss Hazelle Dor Russell McGowen.

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