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## C. O. F. C. MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION HERE

Hotel For Marfa Given Boost Many Pledges Given; Will Be No Problem To Get Money.

The monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held at the Longhorn Cafe on Wednesday brought about most pleasing and commendable results concerning the main issue of a new hotel for Marfa.

Herschel Hord, chairman, made an inspiring introductory talk on the practical value of the new water works, the fire department and other past accomplishments of the Chamber of Commerce, thus leading up to the most outstanding of Marfa's present needs—a modern hotel, large enough to accommodate transients and the summer tourist trade.

Capt. J. B. Gillett who, as Mr. Hord said, "has been here for many moons," followed with a talk which, through its earnestness and enthusiasm created a general applause of endorsement. Capt. Gillett, during the course of his talk, stated that there are at least fifty men in Marfa who are well able to give \$1,000 a piece to the new hotel thus making a fund of \$50,000. He took the lead by making a personal donation of \$1,000. This met with a generous applause on the part of all members.

Mr. Hord, again taking the floor, compared the hotel growth of neighboring towns with that of Marfa and stressed even more the value of such an institution here. Keeping the pace, Mr. Hord donated \$1,000 to the bonus fund.

T. M. Wilson was called upon to discuss "Constructive Progress of Our Community." Mr. (Continued on Last Page.)

## Highland Cattle Still Moving Out To North

Shipments From November 24th To 30 Inclusive; Highlands In Greater Demand Than Ever.

Cattle shipments still continue active as reported from the Marfa depot as follows:

November 24—Murphy & Langley shipped 12 cars to Burbank, Okla.; O. W. Nelson 9 cars to Wichita, Kansas; F. C. Mellard shipped 1 car to Letts, Iowa; and 1 to Tornillo, Texas; Ben Pruett 1 car to El Paso; Espy & Jones shipped 3 cars to Wichita, Kansas; J. H. Coker 1 car to Ft. Worth, Texas;

November 25—J. H. Coker shipped 4 cars to Ft. Worth; W. B. Mitchell shipped 1 car to West Point, Nebraska; 4 cars to Kansas Ill.; 1 to Happy, Texas; 2 to Lemoine, Ohio; 2 to Okland, Nebraska; J. W. Espy shipped 6 cars to El Paso; E. S. Frederick shipped 5 cars to Wichita, Kan.; A. A. Drummond 1 car to Wyoma Okla.; and 1 to Mediall, Okla.; W. B. Mitchell 2 cars to Kansas City and 1 car to Star City, Ind.

November 27—McKie Mitchell shipped 4 cars to Ft. Worth. F. C. Mellard shipped 1 car to Letts, Iowa; J. W. Espy shipped 1 car to Fort Worth, Texas.

November 29—J. W. Espy 1 car to Fort Worth; E. S. Frederick shipped 3 cars to Wichita, Kansas.

November 30—Charles Thomas shipped 7 cars to Wichita, Kansas, and 2 cars to Ft. Worth.

## "FOOT BALL AND LIFE"

Rev. S. F. Marsh, will deliver an address Sunday evening at 7:30 at the Baptist Church to the Marfa Shorthorns, on "Football and Life." All invited to attend, especially the boys.

Hand Tooled Leather Gifts at BAILEY'S.

## Life Ain't So Dull



## AWAKENED RESPONSIBILITY URGED BY CLUB LEADER

Syracuse, N. Y.—An awakening to the responsibilities of citizenship in their community, state and nation was urged upon the 400,000 women of the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs by Mrs. William H. Purdy, president of the federation.

"It means a more devout religion, it assures a better citizenship, and it emphasizes the fact that we can make our land bigger and better fundamentally through our American homes and the training received there, developing in the youth of today the idea that the responsibilities assumed by them now mean their development for tomorrow.

The next six years will be the testing times for many organizations, Mrs. Purdy declared, adding, "it is not what we are, but what we do that will be the standard by which we shall be measured."—Scottish Rite News.

## "JULIUS CAESAR" TO BE GIVEN AT OPERA HOUSE

Mr. Hinckley with his English I class is bringing to Marfa, Shakespeare's play "Julius Caesar". Mr. Hinckley obtained the films for this play thru the cooperation of Mr. Raetzsch, there will be a good comedy presented in connection with this play. So come and enjoy a good treat. Remember the date Tuesday, Dec. 6th, at the Opera House.

Why eat a bad egg when you can eat nice fresh infertile yard eggs for less than a penny more. Branded H. B. H. home products On sale at all the leading grocery stores and markets.

Don't fail to patronize the St. Pauls Guild for your Christmas Gifts. Beautiful handmade articles reasonably priced. Home-made candies. December 10th at the Community House.

## "Three Wise Fools" On Lyceum Next

The Marfa Civic League Is Sponsoring This Lyceum And Needs Your Support.

"Three Wise Fools" a comedy of mirth and mystery, and master minds, with a cast of exceptionally good actors, will be seen at the Raetzsch Opera House, Monday night, December 12th. This comedy of love, laughter and triumph, played by a strong cast of New York actors, the 3rd number of the White & Brown Lyceum Course given in Marfa this season—is under the auspices of the Civic League. "Three Wise Fools" is not a musical concert, but strictly a comedy play, one of the foremost of the present day theatre, the scenes of which abound in humorous situation and characterizations. The play has a corking love climax; a surprise dramatic climax that thrills and grips; a plot that mystifies and baffles to know just how a happy closing is to be reached, and through it runs a current of sound and wholesome philosophy, which radiates happiness into the lives of all who see it.

The story of the "Three Wise Fool", is built about three bachelors who have been living together for years. Through their manner of living they have fallen in to a rut, and existence for them has become such a matter of routine, that they seem and feel older than they really are. In their youth, all were in love with the same girl. Now, for the first time in years they receive a letter from this sweetheart of former years, written just before her death, asking that they take care of her child. The bachelors make plans for the arrival of a baby boy. Then, to their utter astonishment, in walks an attractive (Continued on Last Page.)

## GETTING READY FOR THE NEW FORD CAR

Sales Room Being Enlarged And New Facilities Being Added

Now that the New Ford car is to be here immediately, and the big trade will start, C. A. Sailors, manager of the Marfa Motor Company, and local agent for the Ford cars here, is putting things in shape for a record breaking run.

Many changes have been necessary and things are being changed around and many improvements made such as new bins and shelving for the additional parts which will have to be kept for the new model.

These improvements are in keeping with the Ford policy of having nothing cheap but the price. And, from the national advertising of the company, which has just come out, it is evident that the price will be the cheapest ever asked for a really high quality car.

Two new salesmen have been added to the force namely: E. T. McDonald and Pete Starnes.

E. T. McDonald, County Assessor accompanied by Mrs. McDonald and daughter and Mrs. John McDonald, attended the Assessors Convention in El Paso last week, returning first of the week. Mac says that he greatly enjoyed the proceedings of the convention.

We have a full line of extra quality Silk Hose, in all the latest colors. Bailey's Gift Shop.

Mrs. Mary J. Anderson came in Thursday from Kansas City, Mo., to spend the winter with her daughter Mrs. L. C. Brite.

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## Politics Will Be Kept Out Of Prohibition Appointments.

It is expected that the first of January will find most of the administrative posts under the Bureau of Prohibition filled by appointees selected through competitive examination tests.

The delay in completing the examinations and certifying eligibles is due to the failure of Congress to provide funds for this huge examination task.

The commission will take every precaution to keep politics out of these appointments. Prohibition Commissioner Doran and the members of the Civil Service Commission are of one mind in the belief that political appointments have been one of the chief hindrances to prohibition enforcement.

Selection for appointment must be made from the names certified for a particular job; the appointing officer will not be permitted to pass over a certification of three names and go further down the list for the name of some one whose appointment is urged or desired.

The deficiency bill, which failed to pass in the last Congress because of a filibuster, is slated for consideration immediately after the convening of the new Congress in December. It will include provision for funds for the Civil Service Commission's examination work for the Bureau of Prohibition. When these funds become available the Commission will be in a position to undertake the final processes of the examinations for positions below the administrative grades.

According to figures given out today by the Texas Public Health Association, there are at least 650,000 children in the public schools of Texas with some form of physical defects. These vary from Children who are merely underweight or those with decayed teeth, to thousands of others with defects of a far more serious nature.

Of the estimated 1,373,677 children between the ages of 7 and 17 in the public schools of this state, about 60,000 were taught health habits during the past year by the State Association through the well known method of the modern Health Crusade, as an effective way to help in bringing about a reduction in the number of physically defective children. In its campaign of health education during 1927, over 8,200 school children were given a thorough physical examination. Reports show that between fifty and sixty percent of the children examined indicate some form of physical defect.

All of the work carried on by the Texas Public Health Association is supported by the sale of the Tuberculosis Christmas Seals. The 20th annual Seal Sale officially opened on Friday, November 25th and will continue until Christmas. The State Association reports that seals are being offered for sale in each of the 254 counties of Texas. To make such distribution possible, 32,000,000 of the familiar little stickers with the double-barred cross were required this year.

## ARTIFICIAL LIGHT FOR EGG PRODUCTION

(By F. W. Kazemeier.)  
 The 12 hour day best  
 During the short Fall and Winter days egg-production appears to be correspondingly short. For some reason or other, as the days grow shorter, the egg production decreases. Careful experiments have proven that the greatest and most eco-

nomical egg production is possible when the flock has a 12-hour work day. In the fall and winter to provide these conditions, it has been found necessary to resort to artificial illumination. We know the light by itself does not make eggs and does not directly make hens lay, but we do know that with artificial light, we can give her enough light so she can see long enough each day to pick up enough egg mash and scratch grain, to manufacture an egg at least every other day and possibly every day. The short days cause the hens to go to roost early, not giving them enough time to fill up their crops necessary for heavy egg production.

Where electric lights are available, we have found that the best unit is a standard 40 watt factory type Mazda lamp with a cone shaped reflector, 16 inches in diameter at the base by 4 inches, with the reflecting surface of aluminum bronze. This combination should be hung 6 feet from the floor. A light without reflector ordinarily results in a dimly lighted pen.

Probably the best time to turn the lights on is early in the morning say 4:30 or 5 o'clock and leave them on until sunrise. This will give about 7 hours in forenoon and unless on cloudy days the fowls can see until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Using lights at night requires a proper dimmer system, so that when the main

lights are turned off the dimmer lights will make it possible for the fowls to find their way to the roosts, then these also may be turned off. Special time switches also can be purchased for this purpose. All we care to say here, is that the question of artificial light to make hens lay is quite a study by itself.

Electric lights are to be preferred for this purpose. On large poultry farms, it would be a profitable investment to install a home light plant, where alternating city current is not available. Gasoline lanterns with proper reflectors may be used, also kerosene lanterns. In connection with their use, we feel obligated to advise extreme precaution because of danger from fire.

The method of feeding, where artificial illumination is used, must be changed a little to fit the special conditions.

It is a good idea to have dry mash hopper feeding space especially well lighted. It is also desirable to have a little scratch grain in the litter for them, especially cold mornings. Remember the light only makes it possible for the hens to see to eat more, unless this feed and the proper kind is available artificial light has no more value.

## MARFA DELPHIANS MEET

An interesting meeting of the Marfa Delphian Society was held Wednesday afternoon, November 30th, at the Community House. After the regular routine of business the meeting was turned over to the leader, Mrs. L. C. Brite, for the study hour, who lead an interesting lesson on "The Assyrian Babylonian Empire. Those taking part on the program with helpful and instructive papers were as follows: Mesdames J. C. Darracott, L. C. Brite, J. H. Fortner, Fred Gray, H. M. Fennell, H. Hord, F. Jordan, J. Rawls, H. O. Metcalfe, and K. C. Miller. The next meeting will be held at the Community House, December 14 at 3 p. m.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Presidio County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Presidio if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in a newspaper published in the nearest County to said Presidio County, for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Annie Lee Long and Margaret Pierce, who are non residents of the State of Texas, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Presidio at the Court House thereof, in Marfa on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1927 then and there to answer a Petition filed in said Court, on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1927, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2,844, wherein Orrill B. Propst, and Paul Propst, and Orrill B. Propst, guardian of the estate of Horatio G. McHenry, a minor, are plaintiffs and Annie Lee Long and Margaret Pierce are defendants. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit: Suit in trespass to try title and for possession, and to remove cloud from title to the following described lands, situated in Presidio County, State of Texas, and being: All of section 4, Certificate 416, Block 1, D. & P. RY Co., Grantee, containing 640 acres; Section 12, Block 351, Certificate 4,632, G. C. & S. F. Ry., Co., Grantee, containing 640 acres; the west part of Section 16, Block 362, Certificate 336, Martha D. McBride grantee, containing 320 acres.

Plaintiffs allege that they own the above described lands, and that the defendants have caused certain deeds to be recorded conveying title to a part of the above lands which creates a cloud upon the title, and plaintiffs pray judgement for the title and possession of said lands, and that the cloud be removed from the title to same.


Herein Fail Not, And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court, and issued at office in Marfa this, the 30th day of November A. D. 1927.

ANITA YOUNG

Clerk District Court Presidio County, Texas.  
 By Clara Shields, Deputy.

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## 5,000,000 MEMBERS GOAL OF RED CROSS ANNUAL ROLL CALL

### Need of Expansion Due to Excessive Demands for Disaster Relief and Other Services.

A Red Cross membership of 5,000,000 in the United States will be sought this year during the Eleventh Annual Roll Call, November 11 to 24, Chairman John Barton Payne announced following completion of a study of the demands which the past year made on all branches of the Red Cross organization.

He stressed particularly the increasing demands of disaster relief as pointing to the need for an increased membership to aid in carrying the growing responsibility in this field.

"For several years our membership has remained at a little more than 3,000,000 adults," he said. "We are proud of this membership. It is a body of our choice spirits, but there are many more of like spirit who should be counted in this Roll Call. We need at least 5,000,000 adult members. We are obliged to draw annually upon our reserves, and the demands upon us increase each year. Our Roll Call funds should meet our normal needs and add something to our reserves for the great disasters. We must have a large reserve. No one can tell when a situation may arise, when this reserve will be essential to the lives of thousands."

"The Red Cross cannot wait to raise funds," Judge Payne declared. "Action prompt, instant, is its life. Instant action means the lives of many. It must be strong, it must be ready; this means a large reserve."

Total expenditures of the American Red Cross in the fiscal year to June 30 last in all fields amounted to \$16,139,348.60, of which \$11,360,348.60 represented the National Organization's appropriations and \$4,779,000 the cost to the Red Cross local chapters. Included in this total was a disaster relief, for which \$8,216,893.31 had actually been expended to the close of the year. This does not cover expenditures which continued to be made in the Mississippi Valley flood, or in other disasters originating during the fiscal year but whose operations extended over into the current period.

Service to disabled veterans, another outstanding demand on the organization, called for \$2,930,223.36, and service to men of the Regular Army and Navy, \$507,832.30. Maintenance of an enrolled Nurses' Reserve, from which the needs of disaster service and other emergencies are met, and which numbers more than 45,000 nurses totalled \$45,248.83. For the Public Health Nursing program, a nationwide activity of the Red Cross, \$801,068.99 was expended. Other services contributing to health and well-being included instruction in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick, for which \$165,350.16 was spent; Nutrition instruction, which teaches thousands annually correct food principles in relation to health, \$171,370.73; First Aid and Life Saving, a service which is actually curtailing accident and water casualties, \$354,780.06; Junior Red Cross, the children's branch of Red Cross activity, and one of the most unique organizations in the world, \$582,434.23.

Other Red Cross Chapter activities, including Home Service to civilians amounted to \$1,220,000; while other national domestic operations required \$236,147.17.

An outstanding American contribution to the rest of the world is Red Cross assistance in foreign disasters, which the report shows, called for \$256,962 to the end of the fiscal year. Activities under the League of Red Cross Societies, Junior Red Cross foreign projects, assistance to American insular chapters, and other foreign and insular work completed the demands on the total appropriation for the year.

These expenditures were cited by Chairman Payne as emphasizing the need for a growing membership and increased income.

Silk Socks for men at BAILEY'S.

### EVERY INCH A MAN

"There are peaks of valor  
Standing firm and standing true.  
To the best your father taught you  
And the best you've learned anew.  
Helpful to all who need you,  
Winning what joys you can,  
Writing in triumph to the end  
Your record as a man."

You are doubtless familiar with the famous lines of a well known poem: "The child is father to the man." But have you stopped to ask what that means.

It means that habits formed in boyhood or girlhood determine the habits in later life. It means that as the boy or girl acts so will the man and woman behave. Our lives are one solid chain. Our acts, habits, thoughts, and every step of early life mold our characters into a certain shape, which will be the pattern of our future lives.

What kind of a man or woman will you be? Your habits of today will tell. —The High School Messenger, West Columbia, Texas.

### MARFA HIGH JUNIORS HONOR SENIORS WITH BANQUET ON TUESDAY

The Community House was the scene of a very delightful banquet Tuesday evening, when the Junior Class of the Marfa High school gave a banquet honoring the Senior Class, the entire class being present and only two were absent from the Junior class. A long table forming an L was placed for the two classes and a small table for the sponsors and presidents namely: Miss Frieda Burns, Prof. Hinckley, Henry Schutze and Carver Moore. Beautiful pink carnations and ferns were the flowers used in decorations, pink candles in crystal holders graced the tables, carrying out a pink and green color scheme, emblematic of the class colors, and which was most artistically carried out in all the appointments. A three course dinner was served by girls from the Home Economic class. At the close all joined in singing their school song.

Santa Claus' Headquarters are at Bailey's Gift And Novelty Shop.

### FUMBLE COSTS MARFA "HI" SHORTHORNS GOOD GAME

The Thanksgiving game at McCamey was the hardest and best game of the season for the Shorthorns.

Marfa kicked off and McCamey returned the ball to their own thirty yard line. Marfa held them for downs and got the ball. Then we passed by mistake and the ball was intercepted by the McCamey fullback who was downed in his tracks. Again Marfa held them for downs and again passed by mistake and had it intercepted as before, McCamey was thrown for a loss and then passed on the fourth down.

The pass was incomplete and it was Marfa's ball on the fifty yard line, then Marfa's first down and ten yards to go. Marfa next made a series of first downs then the ball changed hands several times and McCamey made two more incomplete passes. The first half ended with neither side scoring.

In the second half McCamey kicked off and Marfa returned the ball to her own twenty-five yard line. Marfa was off sides so McCamey got a two and a half yard penalty, then they got five first downs to put the ball over. The try for point failed.

Marfa received and returned the ball to the middle of the field. McCamey held for the first three downs, then Marfa punted McCamey punted back, and there was an exchange of punts until the end of the third quarter.

McCamey had the ball about the middle of the field. Marfa held for downs then passed but there was no one in time to get it. McCamey passed but failed to gain. The ball exchanged hands for several minutes then Gatrost made forty-five yards around the end and then hit the side line to try to dodge the tackle. Marfa failed to make a first down. McCamey punted then Marfa punted, and McCamey threw an incomplete pass. Marfa held for downs, had the second down, and two yards to go, but the whistle blew and the game was over. Again Marfa lost the score being McCamey 6 Marfa 0.

Altho Marfa did not win the game, it is stated that all the

line as well as three in the back field started thus ending the football season for Marfa high.

We wish to thank Messrs. Joe and Mack Martin for the help they gave during the game. Joe Martin who played left half punted on a sixty-five yard average all afternoon and Mack who played guard did fine work in the line—The Shorthorn.

### NOTICE SPANISH STUDENTS

Agold medal will be given by the U. S. Border Patrol of Marfa to the pupil showing the greatest improvement in Spanish this year. Miss Wales, the Spanish teacher, is requested to be the judge.

—The Shorthorn

### Transportation

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

I REMEMBER when the first piano seat buggy came into our neighborhood. It was something classy, and the boy that had it was the envy of the community. It wasn't everyone who could afford a buggy, and we who had been contented to take our sweethearts to singing school and exhibitions and the Fourth of July celebration in a farm wagon were of the opinion that buggies would never become common. They cost too much in the first place, and then after you got one it required a good deal of care to keep it in shape, and a weather-proof shed to keep it in, but it wasn't five years until buggies were as common as motor cars are today. No respectable gallant in my community was without a buggy of his own—and a buggy whip with a bright-colored ribbon on it.

The bicycle came along next, and at first, of course, only the affluent and the sportsmen could hope to possess one. If you "remember way back" you will recall that the first bicycles were way up in the air, and it was like falling out of the third-story window to be thrown from one, but they lowered them presently. I paid one hundred and fifty dollars for my first one, and then they began to tumble in price, and everybody in town, from children in the first grade to the Baptist minister, who wore a silk tie as he rode about among his parishioners, bestrode a bicycle. Every tyro had made a "century," which meant he had ridden a hundred miles or more in a day, and which, broadly speaking, was equivalent at the present day of making a hole in one or at least two.

When Billy Simpson brought the first "horseless carriage" to town, the college students used to cut classes and stand on the sidewalk in open-mouthed amazement to see him go by. Nothing in the way of transportation that we had seen could come within a thousand miles of it. Why, the pesky thing could go fifteen miles an hour, if it could go one. It was a good while before anyone else in town essayed to duplicate Billy's venture. The machine would never be very practical, we all prophesied, nor very common.

I saw in the city papers the day after Labor day that half a million cars passed along Michigan avenue during twenty-four hours, and at many points along thoroughfares five thousand cars passed every hour. Everyone now, from the office boy to the president, has his own car.

They have begun the manufacture of airplanes near the town where I used to live. "For the common trade," the advertisement says. Only the best materials will be used, the most expert workmen only will be employed, and the latest and most scientific models will be followed. Prices will be reasonable and quite within the reach of people of moderate means. It isn't a long time since I saw the first wonderful flight at our county fair, and I suppose before we can more than turn around we shall find every man with his own airplane. Well, the world moves.

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### INSIDE INFORMATION

The Deerslayer had incurred the enmity of the Three Musketeers when he filed an injunction against them for the slaying of The Sea Hawk. Eminent Women came to the rescue of the heroes, and The Deerslayer, seeing th approaching of The Crisis, fled on Black Beauty to The Heart of the West, where he joined The Happy Warrior.

In their Travels with a Donkey they encountered Jane Eyre in The Covered Wagon, driving over The Oregon Trail. They stopped to talk on Strictly Business under The Light of Western Stars. Their horses, which were fastened to The Bent Twig, heard The Call of the Wild, and breaking loose, galloped over Northern Trails. Employing the Element of Physics, The Deerslayer located them, and The Runaways were brought back by the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. By the use of Sense and Sensibility, The Deerslayer, who was partial to Silent Women, persuaded Jane Eyre to elope that night by The Light in The Clearing. However, this was prevented by Uncle Remus, The Last of The Mohicans, the others having gone on a Tour of the World in Eighty Days. The Deerslayer blamed it on The Light That Failed, and with a Broken Heart he followed The Road of Destiny to the Back of The North Wind.—The Maverick, Stanton, Texas.

A small boy went to school for the first time. He came home and was questioned as to his experiences. "Nothing much happened," he said. "There was a woman there who wanted to spell cat, and I told her."

### DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

#### Horses Had Five Toes

What we think of as the horse's foot is really his toe. There were once five, but lack of use, as he formed the habit of throwing his weight on the center toe, caused the others to gradually become smaller and finally disappear. The nail became hardened and later formed the hoof to protect the toe.

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### Unruly Freshmen Are Punished



The poor "fros" always gets it in the neck, due to the vigilance of the sophomores and other upper classmen. Here are Richard Young, left, in ball and chain, and Ralph White, right, in the stocks, after they were found on the campus without the regular "beanie" on their heads. Both are registered freshmen of the Pasadena Junior college. White is a member of the police force.



### QUARTERLY REPORT

of J. H. Fortner County Clerk of Presidio County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures, from August 1, October 31, 1927, inc.

#### JURY FUND 1ST CLASS

Balance	\$	7,306.07	
To A'mt. received during quarter		131.19	
By Am't. paid out during quarter		6,927.00	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		1.97	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		9.41	
Amount to Balance		498.88	
		7,437.26	7,437.26
By Balance	\$498.88		

#### ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND 2ND CLASS

Balance	\$	977.87	
To A'mt. received during quarter		192.64	
By Am't. paid out during quarter		706.77	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		2.89	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		10.60	
Amount to Balance		450.25	
		1,170.52	1,170.51
By Balance	\$450.25		

#### GENERAL COUNTY FUND 3RD CLASS

Balance	\$	1,708.67	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6,859.83	
By Am't. paid out during quarter		6,406.99	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		7.16	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		96.10	
Amount to Balance		2,058.25	
		8,568.50	8,568.50
By Balance	\$2,058.25		

#### HIGHWAY

Balance	\$	378.29	
To A'mt. received during quarter		137.62	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		2.06	
Amount to Balance		513.85	
		515.91	515.91
By Balance	\$513.85		

#### 5TH CLASS

Balance	\$	3,626.99	
Amount to Balance		3,626.99	3,626.99
By Balance	\$3,626.99		

#### 6TH CLASS

Balance	\$	1,905.56	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6.68	
By Am't. paid out during quarter		120.30	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.10	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		1.80	
Amount to Balance		1,790.04	
		1,912.24	1,912.24
By Balance	\$1,790.04		

#### 7TH CLASS

Balance	\$	1,203.68	
To A'mt. received during quarter		33.42	
By Am't. paid out during quarter		300.75	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.50	
By 1½% Com. on Am't paid out		4.51	
Amount to Balance		931.34	
		1,237.10	1,237.10
By Balance	\$931.34		

#### SPECIAL COURT HOUSE AND JAIL

Balance	\$	1,472.84	
To A'mt. received during quarter		6.70	
By 1½% Com. on Am't received		0.10	
Amount to Balance		1,479.44	
		1,479.54	1,479.54
By Balance	\$1,479.44		

Respectfully submitted, J. H. FORTNER, County Clerk, Presidio County, Texas.  
By Willie Bates, Deputy.  
Marfa, Texas, October 31, 1927.

**EMBOSSING a Specialty**  
**At THE NEW ERA**

### The Parting Guest

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

RACHEL has been on her vacation visiting her relatives. She is going back to take up the household duties which have been carried on by some one else during her absence, but those whom she is leaving, as is common in such cases, are urging her to stay longer. A host can scarcely do anything else in such a case. She's had a good time, she admits to herself, but she's about talked out, and, anyway, it's better when making a visit to leave behind a little grief than a lot of relief.

Years ago—so many, in fact, that I should have forgotten the circumstances wholly—a distant relative of father's who lived in the city was invited to spend the week with us. We were living on a farm, there was much work to be done daily, and the house was small. The woman came with her three children, the oldest six, as I recall, the youngest a baby in arms. They entailed a good deal of extra work, but mother did not mind that for a time. But the one week stretched out into two, and the two into four, and the four into six, and still there was no indication that our guests were contemplating kissing us good-by. Finally, mother had to say—and it was the truth—that she could no longer delay a promised visit to my sister, who lived some distance from us and who was ill. There was no grief, but considerable relief when our visitor left us. You might suppose that they would never have come back again, but they did. They liked it, I guess.

It isn't an easy matter to know when best to end a call or a visit. It is a good deal like making a speech, I think. One should stop talking just when the audience is interested and alert and wishing you would go on. It is fatal to talk until they begin to wonder when you are going to stop.

Hilda was one of the most satisfactory guests we ever had in our house. She never made us a visit unless she was invited, and when she came she was so much a part of the household that it seemed as if she had always been with us.

"I'm going to stay just a week," she would say. "I know you must have other plans to be carried out, and I've had guests enough in our house to realize what a comfort it is, no matter how much you like them, to know when they're going. You can get ready to kiss me good-by a week from today."

We were always sorry to see her go, but we were never able to persuade her to stay beyond the announced time.

"I want to come back some time, and I want you to be glad to see me rather than wondering how long I'm going to stay this time."

If only all guests would learn when to go!

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### Colombian Beauty



Among the most beautiful women in Washington's diplomatic set is Senora Nicolas de Zubiria, wife of the newly appointed second secretary of the Colombian legation.

Doctor (examining unconscious engineer) "Did that automobile hit his engine?"

Fireman: "No, the driver slowed up to let the engine go by and the engineer fainted."

### NOTICE

To Automobile Registrants

The Tax Collectors Office will begin to issue 1928 License Plates on December 15th. All Registrants will be requested to present a light test Certificate with application for 1928 Plates.

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### To Keep Weight Down



To reduce weight or keep it down, get a job as a football official. Walter Eckersall, who helped run the recent Army-Notre Dame game, told a friend: "You'll be surprised, but my weight is exactly the same as when I played football, and that's 144 pounds stripped."

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**MARFA HISTORY CLUB MEETS IN REGULAR NOVEMBER SESSION**

The Marfa History Club held its regular November meeting with Mrs. McCracken, Tuesday, November 29th. The meeting was called to order promptly at three o'clock by Mrs. W. P. Fischer.

There ensued a brisk, snappy business meeting, during which the club disposed of many important matters. Miss Francis Mitchell was unanimously elected as a member.

A most interesting program followed the business session. Miss Francis Mitchell sang "Texas, My Texas," by J. W. Marsh and Mary Yoakum Wright. This is the newly adopted song for Texas.

The year book called for reports from the State federation meet which was held at El Paso from November 7 to 12. Mrs. Fischer who went as a delegate from Marfa, gave such a full and complete report of each day's session, that the members of the History Club felt almost as if they had been there themselves.

Mrs. Yates spoke next. She told in rhyme just how busy Mrs. Fischer and Mrs. Brite had been keeping their many appointments, during convention week. She concluded her lines with a reminder that they'd be just as busy again in May at the Bien-niel.

Mrs. Brite, as a member of the state board of directors brought back maps showing the prospective redistricting of the entire state. She also brought charts, outlining very fully each phase of Womens club work.

Mrs. Hill mentioned several measures with which the General Federation will concern itself during the coming year. The most important of them was "That of establishing a Department of Education with its head a member of the president's cabinet."

Mrs. Mead interested the club members by telling of the work that is being done sponsoring Junior Clubs.

After the program, delicious refreshments consisting of two courses were served by the hostess to about twelve members and the following guests: Mrs. Joe Humphreys, Sr., Mrs. Joe Humphreys, Jr., Mrs. Richard Miller and Miss Verna Humphreys.—Reporter.

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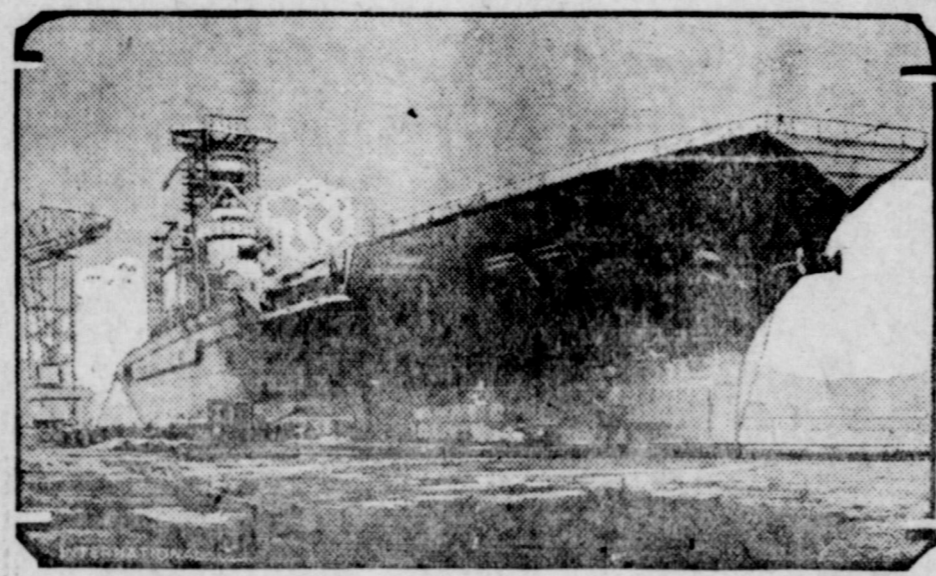
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**Miami Elks Have a Good Sized Chair**



Miami Elks, in preparation for the national meeting of the order in their city next year, are getting together some big things, including this "biggest chair in the world," occupied in the photograph by the executive council and a few others. It is made entirely of wicker, holds 22, weighs half a ton, and is nine feet high.

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**C. OFIC. HOLDS MEETING**

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Wilson in his talk, stressed the many advantages of Marfa, the accomplishments of the city, the natural resources and wealth of the country and the general possibilities for wonderful growth and progress. Enumerating the many blessings of this section, Mr. Wilson showed where Marfa is more prosperous than it has been in years. He believes that it is now up to the men who have love in their hearts for Marfa's future to carry on the work and especially that concerning the new hotel.

Personal expressions from prominent business men of Marfa further proved that they are all behind the hotel proposition and are willing to turn their hands to the wheel and work wholeheartedly to make this dream for Marfa a great reality.

At this time the meeting was open for personal donations to the hotel and offerings were most satisfactory.

Following up Capt. Gillett's and Mr. Hord's offers of \$1,000 each, Gus Raetzsch gave \$1,000 A. M. McCabe, \$1,000; Lee Glasscock, \$500.00; W. R. Ake, \$500.; T. E. Childers, \$500.00; L. L. Lockley promised ten per cent of the assessed value of his property; and Lee Glasscock stated that his company the Southwestern Co., would lend them the necessary amount at six per cent interest per annum on long time.

Mayor J. T. Hamic, called upon for a discussion, brought interesting news to the members. He stated that for the past six months the city commissioners have been working on the idea of reduction of fire insurance rates, due to the new city water works. After interviewing the commission at Austin, Mr. Hamic reported that the new rate would save the taxpayers from \$5,000 to \$6000 a year, and within the next ten days a new fire fitting equipment will be installed.

The meeting adjourned and the forty people present left with the new outlook on Marfa's prosperity and future progress.

**"THREE WISE FOOLS"**

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girl of eighteen. To tell what happens after that would be a lesson for you an evening of unusually good entertainment. But the play is made up of one laugh after another, with the much enjoyed tear to leaven the whole, the result of a gripping drama that for the moment, swerves entirely away from the comedy, with a "punch" that is amazing.

"Three Wise Fools" is a fine entertainment for any audience. It will be a credit to Marfa, and especially to the members of the Civic League through whose efforts it was secured. See the "Three Wise Fools." Make arrangements for your tickets. Now on sale at the Busy Been Confectionary.

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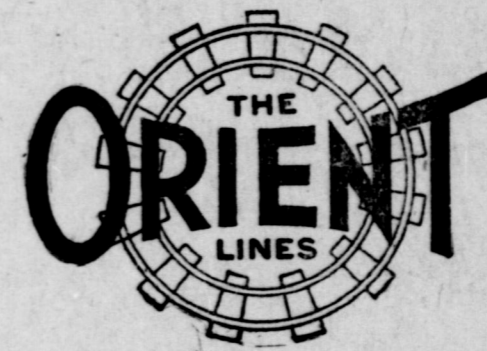
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