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## PEOPLE AGAIN DEFEAT STANDARD OIL MONEY

### Commission Will Include Fourth Amendment in Charter Election

"In deference to the many good men who have signed the petition asking that we submit to the voters of Cisco for approval or rejection of the fourth amendment, we hereby rescind all former action of the city commission in calling for an election on the three amendments submitted upon the initiation of the commission for authority to levy a special tax to maintain the chamber of commerce, the zoo and the band, and accept the petition signed by over 10 per cent of the qualified voters of Cisco, and the same be embodied in one election for the consideration of all four of the amendments to be submitted to the people. But we are not constrained in this action by any threats to oust this body, or from any fear of prosecution with which the commissioners have been threatened."

The above, in substance, was the action of the city commission, in called session, Monday night. All commissioners were present except Commissioner Burnett.

The meeting was called by Mayor J. T. Berry, who stated that he had called the body together to take some action on the petition signed by the required number of qualified voters asking for an election to amend the city charter to limit the salaries that may be paid to the members of the city commission.

Mayor Berry said: "There seems to be considerable unrest regarding the petition, and I have asked the members to meet to take some definite action, as some are disposed to charge the responsibility to me." Commissioner Henderson started the proceedings by placing Judge J. J. Butts on the gridiron when he fired a volley of questions at the former city attorney relative to his activity for the petition. Just what relation these questions had to the petition, or what disposition the commission would make of the matter was not then apparent.

"I was just wondering," Henderson said, "if you, Judge Butts, had had a change of heart, and wondered if it was because you have

been taken off the sugar teat, or that you have just waked up?"

Judge Butts: "I have been awake all the time. This petition was not of my initiation, but I drew it at the request of representative citizens of Cisco, and it was to be presented by a committee, with George Daniels at its head. As he was not present I presented the petition, and will represent the people in the courts if necessary."

Reading from notes Henderson recited fees that had been paid Judge Butts while he was city attorney ranging back to 1930, showing that Butts had been paid in fees for that year, from May to April 1931, the sum of \$2,085.19, and from May 1930, to March 1932, the sum of \$2,130.69, which Henderson said were copied from the records. "You were city attorney then?" Henderson asked.

"I was," Judge Butts replied, "and those were fees paid for my legal

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### Former Resident Of Cisco, J. C. Mayhew Passed Away Sunday

J. C. Mayhew, 81 years of age and a former resident of Cisco, passed away at 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening after eating a hearty meal. Feeling indisposed after the evening meal, he is said to have requested a glass of soda water, which he drank, and in a short while he was dead. Mr. Mayhew was a native of Mississippi, where he was born Nov. 29, 1850, but lived in Texas for many years. At the time of his death he was associated with his two sons, Avner A. and Ira Mayhew, in the produce, ice and cold storage business at Brady. Before removing to Brady he was a resident of Cisco for 20 years previous to 1922.

He was a brother of the late W. C. (Uncle Bill) Mayhew, who died here April 1, 1929, at the ripe old age of 81 years, and whose widow still resides in Cisco. Other brothers and sisters are J. A. and F. M. Mayhew and Collie Coward, deceased, half brother, and Mrs. John McIlvaney, all of Gatesville.

Cisco survivors are his nephews, A. L. and J. C. Mayhew, daughter, Mrs. I. N. Hart and Mrs. Mattie Stephens, niece Mrs. K. N. Greer, a granddaughter, Mrs. Eliza Richardson, niece, resides in Port Arthur, and Louis Mayhew, brother of A. L. and J. C. Mayhew, of Noland county, is another survivor.

The body was prepared for burial at the H. C. Wippen Funeral Home, and conveyed via the Katy Road to Gatesville, where the burial was in the Sardin cemetery, of Coryell county. Messrs. A. L. and J. C. Mayhew attended the obsequies.

It was said that he had high blood pressure, and as he was overweight, had been under treatment of a Dallas physician for some time, where his weight was reduced to normal. However, he had been gaining weight since returning here, and this, in connection with his malady, likely caused his sudden death, which it was thought to have been caused by eating something that disagreed with him.

Many of the older residents will recall his residence in Cisco, with whom he had spent 20 years of his life.

### VISITED HIS MOTHER HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terry and baby were guests of Mr. Terry's mother, Mrs. Lizzie Terry, this week. Frank now lives in Wichita Falls where he has held a job as linotype operator for the past eight years in the office of the Wichita Falls Record. Frank was reared in Cisco, and learned to operate the linotype on the Cisco American while the editor of the Citizen published that paper.

## Mrs. Ferguson Wins Over Sterling by 2,398 Votes; Gov. Threatens Contest

Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, on the face of the election returns Wednesday night, had defeated Gov. Ross S. Sterling for re-election for a second term by the close majority of 2,398 votes. However, dispatches from Austin yesterday stated that the astute Jim Ferguson had out-witted the legion of hired attorneys of the Standard Oil Co., and put one over on their hired man, which would be the grounds for a contest of the election threat.

But the fact remains that the people are not ready to sell out to the Standard Oil Co., as shown by Allred and Ferguson winnings, even though their chance of defeating the oil monopoly Saturday was the wife of the impeached governor. Wonder how large would have been the majority had Tom Hunter been Sterling's run-off opponent.

At the close of the counting Wednesday night the standing of the two candidates were: Mrs. Ferguson, 476,750. Sterling, 474,352.

With the announcement of the returns Wednesday the election bureau said there would be no more tabulations of the returns until Saturday night, when the official counts will have been received from the 254 chairmen of the county executive committees, which will be released for the newspapers of next Sunday morning.

According to the reports of the election bureau 951,102 votes were polled. The counties incomplete in the above returns are Kimble, Reagan and Zavalla, in which the incomplete returns show the vote to be Kimble, Sterling, 782; Ferguson, 627. Reagan, Sterling, 782; Ferguson, 203. Zavalla, Sterling, 580; Ferguson, 558.

Practically every political race is a "horse race," is indicated by the unofficial returns of the election last Saturday. This is more pronounced in the contest for governor. Governor Sterling and Mrs. Ferguson have been playing a game of see-saw ever since the counting began with the closing of the polls Saturday night at 7 o'clock. Probably only the official count will determine who received the most votes, and some say this won't settle the contest, as the margin the leading candidate will have on the official count Saturday will be so small that the runner-up will likely contest the election.

election of Geo. B. Terrell for place 1, congressman at large, over Pink Parrish; Joe Bailey has defeated Cyclone Davis for place 2, congress at large, and Sterling P. Strong is winner over Joe Burkett in the place 3 contest.

Thompson and Terrell are elected railroad commissioners and Hickman has lost the associate judgeship of the supreme court to William Pierson, present incumbent.

The other state candidates, while close in some instances, there were others whose majorities were decisive, even to the (forced) satisfaction of the losers.

And the election was replete with surprises. Sterling's campaign, backed by the Standard Oil influence and money, which was largely supported in this section by the independent operators, was not particularly surprising when the huge campaign slush fund is taken into consideration. But results of local contests furnished many surprises. The voters voiced a loud cry against extravagance in office and sponsored a campaign to regulate public service corporations, but voted against the proven friends of the masses and in favor of many of those candidates who were supported by the special interests. As stated in a previous editorial in the Citizen indications are that the masses refuse to support those who favor their cause. This was notably true in the senatorial contest. Senator Cunningham's record is without a blemish in his advocacy of economy in office, legislation for the benefit of common people, especially the farmers, a man whose record for honesty cannot be questioned, and backed by his experience as a legislator could have been of material service to his constituents, was defeated by a gentleman of no experience and less native ability than his opponent. While he is a man of splendid character, which we would not minimize, yet supported by the special interests of the district, and actively by one of the eliminated candidates, Howsley, who is reputed to be a "retained" attorney for one or more public service corporations. We believe the Hon. W. B. Collie will do what he can for the interest of his constituents, but we do not admit that he has the legislative ability or experience that will

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### GEO. ARMSTRONG SPEAKS IN CISCO MONDAY NIGHT

George Armstrong, of Fort Worth, candidate for governor on the Good Government ticket, will address the voters of this section Monday night. Mr. Armstrong entered the race for the Democratic nomination, but realized early in the campaign that Hunter, Ferguson and Sterling would monopolize the political arena, so he organized a party of his own, and is making the race in opposition to the Democratic nominee, who now seems to be Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson.

The issuance of state currency is one of the planks in the Armstrong platform, and it is with this feature that he will probably devote much of his talk. While the Good Government candidate advocates many constructive measures he is fighting a losing game, but may be instrumental in imparting advanced ideas to his hearers. Probably he may attract a few of the ultra drays, who cannot swallow the clear-cut declaration of the Democratic platform on the eighteenth amendment who may switch over to voting for a dry candidate for governor, but there will hardly be any appreciable number who will do so.

Karl Wenge returned Tuesday night from San Saba where he has been taking treatments at a sanitarium there. Wenge has been suffering with a mild form of pellagra, but is rapidly improving under the treatment of a specialist in this disease.

### CISCO'S FIRST COTTON MARKETED FOR 11 CENTS

The first bale of 1932 cotton raised in the Cisco country was marketed in Cisco Monday when J. H. McKinney was paid 11 cents per pound for the staple. The Bankhead Feed Mill was the purchaser, which also ginned the cotton. The market price that day was 8½ middling basis, while the New York spot quotations were 10 cents. The bale weighed 467 pounds, and brought \$51.37, plus the seed and probable premium.

### SUN'S ECLIPSE VISABLE HERE FOR OVER AN HOUR

Cisco people enjoyed a splendid view of the sun's eclipse Wednesday when many were out in exposed localities, with smoked glass in hand, while they gazed to their satisfaction at this phenomena while the sunlight was dimmed by the passage of the moon between the sun and the earth. Throughout an area in this section of Texas the visibility of the eclipse was about one-third, but in some portions of New England the eclipse was total for one minute. Between 2 and 3 o'clock the eclipse was most plainly observed.

Sam Carmichael, one of Cisco's suburban merchants, has returned from a two weeks' visit to relatives in Tennessee.

### ROAN ESTABLISHING WOODYARD IN CISCO

W. W. Roan informs the Citizen that he is getting everything in readiness to open a woodyard here. It will be located in East Cisco, on the Breckenridge road. He has a force of men cutting firewood, which will be hauled into Cisco, where it will be cut in lengths to fit any stove or fireplace.

This woodyard may really prove a blessing to many people of Cisco when the Community Natural hijackers decide to make their raid after the weather gets cold. It may prove a real life-saver, for when the raiders come many will not be able to pay the tribute exacted by the legal banditry.

### NEWSPAPERS ALWAYS HAVE INFORMATION IN RESERVE

Spit and Argue club was in session on the shady side of the street the other morning as ye ed passed along. "What do they mean by 'The power of the press?'" asked an old chap whose breeches are rather shiny on a certain broad part. "They mean that if I were to write and print all I know about you, your wife would leave you and either you or I would leave town," was our reply—and we hope that holds him for a respectable interval.—Eskridge (Kan.) Independence.

Max Elser was in Fort Worth this week, where he visited his daughter. His return home is expected today.

### You Can't Buy Fort Worth Products and Build Up Cisco Industries; Large Percent of Bread Used Here Made in Fort Worth

"Buy Fort Worth bread and build up Cisco industries." Of course that is home boosting with an inverted vision, but that is what we are doing. Cisco has three bakeries whose product would supply twice our population, but it seems we fall down on our loyalty to home institutions, as Fort Worth bread is still being largely handled by Cisco merchants.

We had a big booster meeting one night recently when over one hundred citizens assembled on the roof garden of the Laguna Hotel for the ostensible purpose of boosting home business. Some pretty good talks were made, all favoring methods to increase Cisco business, but there was nothing said about patronizing our local institutions, or creating a market for products of the farm in the Cisco country. We can't improve the business of Cisco unless we patronize our

farmers by furnishing them a market for their products, nor can we build up home industries by buying the products of other towns.

### Broom Factories Fail

J. J. Collins, president of the chamber of commerce, told of some men who have attempted to build a small broom factory in Cisco, one large enough to supply the local demand, but these had to close their doors for lack of support. The owners reported, so Mr. Collins stated, that when outside concerns cut the prices the merchants would buy from others, while the home factory was idle.

But this is just one instance. Cisco has three bakeries, yet our people still consume bread baked in Fort Worth, while our home bakeries are idle. There is enough bread and bakery products sold in Cisco to keep several people busy if they controlled all the business,

but a large percent of the bread we consume is baked in Fort Worth. Merchants justify handling this foreign product on the ground that "the people call for it." That may be true, but if their patrons were reminded of the fact that Cisco bread is baked in Cisco by Cisco people, who spend their wages with Cisco merchants, most of the people would manifest a loyal spirit by buying Cisco bread.

But the bakeries must bear part of the blame for Fort Worth bread being favored. There is an impression among some people that products made away from home are better. Erroneous, it is true, but it prevails. Home bakeries are doing nothing to break down this impression. We have heard local people say Fort Worth bread is better, so we set about to ascertain the truth of this statement. We found that bread 12 to 24 hours old is bet-

ter than bread fresh from the oven. When Fort Worth bread reaches the consumer it has been out of the oven 12 to 24 hours. To prove this assertion take a loaf of the Fort Worth bread, then get a loaf from either of the local bakeries that has been baked 12 hours, and you will admit that the home product is better. If our bakeries would push their product by advertising and other methods they could and would sell their bread to local people. Most people are loyal to their home institutions if the matter is properly presented. Merchants could do much if they would push home products, but it seems that they follow the course of least resistance by never suggesting that the customers patronize home institutions. In fact only a few of them give home products preference.

### Few Handle Cisco Butter

This is seen in the matter of Cisco creamery products. Butter made here is superior to any sold at the stores, but if you are supplied with Cisco butter you will have to make a special request for it, and if your loyalty is what it should be you may have to go to two or more places before your wants are supplied.

But at most stores you can get country butter and eggs, as our merchants do manifest that loyalty to home products by handling butter and eggs produced by our farmers. We say this to their credit, but they could and should handle other products of the farm. Everything grown in the Cisco country should be handled by local merchants, and everything manufactured in Cisco should have preference over all other products grown or made in other localities. If we ever amount to any-

thing as a town this will have to be done.

It is a common expression that "there is no money in the country to buy anything," and there will be less if we send out our cash for everything the people have to consume. You must keep Cisco and Eastland county money at home if we ever have any money to buy anything. You can't keep it here by sending to Fort Worth for the bread we consume, nor by sending to Fort Worth or some other city for the butter we eat. Nor is it possible to get back the money we send to the Rio Grande valley for the vegetables we buy.

If you want to have "money in the country" buy from your home farmers, from your home factories and bakeries and other home institutions. Just boosting won't build a town. It takes action and loyalty to everything that is local.

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### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God; he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.—Ps. 18:6.

“Everlasting arms of Love  
Are beneath, around, above;  
God it is who hears us on,  
His the arm we lean upon.”

Love is indeed “the fulfilling of the law.” In the heart where it reigns is the kingdom of heaven. Those who live under its beautiful, harmonizing, uplifting influence already walk the golden streets and tread the Elysian fields. If this real love dominated the world, or even half of it, the streaks of the millennial dawn would not only be illuminating the east, but the full glory of that long-promised day would be upon us.—Santa Barbara, Calif., Morning Press.

### SHOULD UTILITIES BE TAXED FULL VALUE?

A question that will be decided some day, and that in the affirmative, is the matter of compelling public service corporations to render their property for taxation at the same value they place on their holdings for rate making. The custom prevails in practically all of Texas counties of accepting renditions at one-half to three-fourths value for taxation, but there is no sane reason why public service corporations should be granted this privilege. Public service corporations are given special privileges under the law. They are permitted to fix their utility rates at a sum that will yield as high as 10 per cent net returns on their investment, while individuals and other corporations have no such safeguards. Therefore, the utility companies should be forced to pay taxes on the same valuation they place on their property for rate making. They are favored by the law above the private citizen, and where their net income is within the law, (exclusive of padded expense accounts,) they should be willing to pay taxes on the amount they place on their property as a basis for their charges.

There is not an individual in Texas who would not willingly render his property at full value if he were guaranteed 10 percent on his investment. The merchant must take his chances on earning what he can without any guarantee; the farmer must sell the products of his farm at what he can get for it on the open competitive market; the mechanic must take his chances and bid on the contracts he gets, or such wages for his services as he can secure under competitive bidding, without regard to the amount he has invested in merchandise, buildings, lands or tools with which to carry on his business. He renders his property at three-fourths of its value, but the public service corporations can fix the charges for their services at a sum that enables them to compel their patrons to pay such amounts that will guarantee them as much as 10 percent net returns on their statement of values. Taxes should be equitably apportioned according to income from the property.

Some day Texas will elect a patriotic legislature that will equitably apportion these taxes, and then property owners will be required to pay taxes on the incomes of their property rather than its replacement value, but not until the people awake from their sleep of indifference and vote for legislators who regard their official oaths and enact fair and just laws.

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# COMMISSION

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services in representing the city. I am not making any fight on the fees you are paying the city attorney. Have you any more questions?”

Henderson stated that was all, and the commission then resumed consideration of the business for which the meeting was called.

Commissioner Clements started the business of considering submitting the people's petition for amending the charter when he said: “I hate to take any action when we are threatened, but I move that we back up on the action initiated by the commission in calling the election for submission of the three original amendments providing for a levy of 2 mills for maintenance of the chamber of commerce, 1 mill for the zoo, and 1-2 mill for the municipal band, and that we accept the petition requesting the submission of the fourth amendment limiting the salaries commissioners may receive, and include the fourth amendment in the election to be called, and suggest calling said election be postponed till September 13. (Commissioner Elliott called to the attention of the editor of the Citizen that this paper had erroneously stated the levy for the zoo and band was 1-1-2 and 1 mill, respectively, and we gladly correct the error.)”

#### Elliott Amends

Commissioner Elliott: “I favor the motion of Mr. Clements, but do not recognize anybody's right to force us to do this. I know enough law to know there is not any law that will compel us to act on this petition until we have had ample time to give it due consideration, and would favor eliminating any specified time for calling the election. I favor there be presented to this commission all desired amendments, and when the election is called all amendments desired should be submitted to the voters at the same time.”

Mr. Henderson: “I want to second this motion as amended for the reason we recognize that many good citizens have signed the petition for the fourth amendment, and we should accede to their wishes, and not because we are forced to do so.”

Mr. Elliott: “I feel that the fourth amendment was instigated by disgruntled job-seekers or by sponsors of the chamber of commerce.”

Judge Butts: “No member or friend of the chamber of commerce had anything to do with drawing the petition, and one of the gentlemen who requested my services in preparing the petition is an avowed opponent of the chamber of commerce.”

Mr. Elliott: “Well, it was by the others that the petition was instigated.”

When the question was submitted on the Clements motion, as amended by Elliott, it carried unanimously, and according to this motion all amendments will be submitted and notice of election at some future meeting to be determined by the commission will be published.

Speaking further in justification of the action of the commission in voting its members full time salary of \$150 when practically every appointee's salary had been reduced, Commissioner Elliott said:

“We are only following a precedent set by previous administrations when three members were paid \$150 for full time service. Reading from the minutes he stated that in 1923 a commission composed of Crigler Paschall, Minter Womack, J. B. Blitch and Luther McCrea had voted Commissioner Blitch full time as street commissioner, and at a meeting January 10, 1921, the street commissioner was put on full time at \$150 per

month, also that two previous occasions had put commissioners on full time at \$150.”

“The commission has done no wrong,” Commissioner Clements stated. “Everything we have done has been for the best interest of the people, but we have not been fairly treated by the press. I am not ashamed of any act of mine, and I am not going to be frightened by any threats. I always want to do the right thing, and think it proper to accept the people's amendment, back up the original amendments, as we have done, so that we can advertise all the amendments and any others that we may be requested to do. But I want all to get their amendments in so this can be done.”

Mr. Elliott: “I'd like to see the color of any man's hair that can throw me out. I have done nothing that I am ashamed of. The articles that have been appearing in the press are unfair, and the decision of the court quoted in a newspaper to support its contention that three commissioners were illegally drawing salaries for full time service did not cover the local situation, because the salaries of these commissioners had been voted by previous sessions, as required by the city charter.”

#### News Editor Resents

At this juncture Editor Butler, of the Daily News, “resented” what might be termed that his paper was implicated, stating that “the News had always been fair.” However, this statement by Mr. Butler was entirely superfluous, as it is a well known fact that his paper, like other string newspapers, rarely expresses an opinion. There is one exception in his favor. Butler did excoriate members of the commission by pealing their epidemics from stem to stern on the occasion of the dark lantern meeting of the commission held in May.

But when the string newspaper editor “resented” the implication that his paper might be included in the general term of “the press” the Citizen editor suggested that Mr. Elliott “just say it was the Citizen, as that paper could stand all criticism in the matter.”

Then commissioner Elliott recalled an editorial of the Citizen in which this paper praised the new administration, and threw a few bouquets at itself for having a part in their election. He correctly quoted the editorial, and we say that the new administration had a wonderful opportunity to carry out the policies of economy on which they were elected, and this paper endorsed the body until they departed from the pre-election policies and repudiated the people who elected them. But Mr. Elliott erred in stating the Citizen was “lambasting” the commission in two weeks. It was several weeks before the Citizen began its criticism of the body other than condemning the dark lantern session. But in that our criticism was mild in comparison to that which appeared in the string newspaper. But every criticism of the commission by the Citizen has been prompted for the good of the community, and in this we have the satisfaction of knowing that the Citizen has been endorsed by many of the best people of the

city. But Mr. Elliott stated that he was glad that the “Citizen” did not help to elect him. We can pay him the same compliment, as we have enough tonnage without taking on more ballast.

#### Garbage Contract Awarded

After Elliott had satiated himself in “roasting” the Citizen the commission resumed business and proceeded to dispose of the garbage contract, which was awarded to J. H. Woodward, who held the contract during 1931, his bid being the lowest, \$134 per month. However, it was stipulated that Woodward enter into a surety bond in the sum of \$3,000 guaranteeing faithful and efficient performance of the duties. Commissioner Henderson said the bid was too low, but in as much as the commission advertised to award the contract to the lowest bidder he wanted a bond that would hold water. “Times are going to improve, and it will be impossible to get men to help do the work at prevailing prices, and we don't want to have to award the contract a second time. Probably even before Woodward gets on the job there will be a perceptible upturn in business and the bid will be found to be too low,” he predicted. The contract will not begin until the first of the year, but is let now to give the present contractor time to make other arrangements, and to enable the incoming man to prepare to take care of the work. He was given 30 days to make the bond.

Mr. Elliott stated that if the matter was left to him he would recommend the present contractor, T. H. Meglasson, as he had performed his duties satisfactory, and there had been less complaint this year than during any previous years.

City Attorney Grantham announced that he had been informed that G. M. Dunn and Attorney John D. McCall, representing D. E. Dunn and associates, would arrive Tuesday and confer with the commission regarding a settlement of the outstanding city bonds. These gentlemen arrived as announced, and have been in conference with members of the commission.

Elliott was authorized to cut the brush where it obstructed the view on the road to Randolph College and Clements was given permission to cut grass and weeds on the school ground, provided the school board furnish gasoline and oil required, the street commissioner to do the work without extra expense to the city.

#### OWNS ARIZONA HOMESTEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilson have returned to Cisco to make their home after an absence of three years in Arizona. Mr. Wilson took up a homestead of 320 acres of public land, and has lived out his squatter period, and only has to go back and prove up his claim. Mr. Wilson was, for many years, a leading grocery merchant of Cisco.

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# No Currency for Legionnaires but Plenty for Banks

Hon Wright Patman, member of congress from the first district of Texas, who championed the soldiers' bonus in the session of congress just closed, shows where the government has plenty of money for banks, but nothing for the legionnaires. In serving the banks there is no protest from anyone that the currency the government issues to banks is "flat money," which it would be if issued to ex-service men. Then, too, the government issues this currency on collateral of the government, which the treasury pays the holder 3% per cent, less the 1/2 of 1 per cent tax. In other words the government sells bonds to the banks, paying 3% per cent interest, and takes these same bonds as collateral for the currency issued, thus buying back the country's own bonds, but still pays interest on its own securities which it has really redeemed.

Patman says that the service certificates are as much an obligation of the government as are the bonds sold, and it is just as legitimate to issue currency against this obli-

gation of the government as it is to issue currency against government bonds.

But Patman goes into details in a signed letter in the Dallas News of recent date, which we publish below, as follows:

The National City bank of New York has made arrangement with the secretary of treasury, Mr. Mills, to have the bureau of engraving and printing turn out for it \$1,000,000 a week in new crisp greenbacks—paper money. In order to get this money the National City bank will deliver to Mr. Mills each week \$1,000,000 in government bonds bearing 3% per cent interest; Mr. Mills will put these bonds on deposit as collateral security for the new paper money.

The bank will get the use of money by paying 1/2 of 1 per cent tax each year. However, the bank will get interest from the government on the bonds deposited. It works out this way: Each year the National City bank will pay the government \$5,000 tax on the \$1,000,000; it will at the same time collect from the government \$33,750 interest on the bonds held as collateral security for the money; a net profit of \$28,750 a year for the bank. National banks all over the nation are taking advantage of this privilege.

The bill to pay the adjusted service certificates that passed the house of representatives provided the adjusted service certificates may be deposited with the secretary of treasury and the veterans receive in return therefor paper money—the same kind that is issued to the banks. In other words, a noncirculating government obligation would be converted into a circulating government obligation. Let us compare the similarity of the plan to pay the veterans with

the plan now in effect to issue paper money to the banks.

1. In each case, a government obligation is to be deposited with the secretary of the treasury.

2. In each case, paper money is to be issued to the one depositing the government obligation—money that is worth 100 cents on the dollar and good for the payment of all debts.

3. In each case, the government obligations deposited to secure the money are payable in the future, 1945-1948.

4. In neither case will there be a gold reserve set aside to secure the money issued. The gold standard act of March 14, 1900, requires all paper money to be redeemable in gold and we have sufficient idle gold in the treasury to permit the issuance of more than \$2,500,000,000 additional money.

5. One is no more fiat or printing press money than the other.

6. If the banks have issued to them \$1,000,000,000 in new money, they will also get \$33,750,000 a year interest on the tax exempt bonds deposited to secure the money. The government will be saved this amount annually on each \$1,000,000,000 if the veterans are permitted to deposit their certificates and get new money in return therefor.

Many members of congress who bitterly opposed paying the veterans in what they called "flat" or "printing press" money advocated and helped to secure the passage of the law that allows banks to receive the privileges herein outlined. I would like for some one to explain why it is an unsound policy to issue money to veterans on a government obligation and a sound policy to issue money to banks on a government obligation.

## W. R. TOMLINSON GREETES OLD FRIENDS IN CISCO

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Tomlinson and daughter, former residents of Cisco but now located in Hidalgo county, near Donna, spent last week in Cisco where they were guests in the homes of their brothers, S. Gordon and John Tomlinson.

Dick said he is not setting the woods afire in the valley, but has an investment down there that will be the nucleus for a meal ticket. He owns 40 acres of rich valley land, which is set in citrus fruit trees and pecans. Of course he produces vegetables, as all valley farmers do, and many of his citrus fruit trees are producing.

He was cordially greeted by his host of friends here.

J. P. McCanlies, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. M. H. McCanlies, visited relatives in Sweetwater and Colorado City, recently.

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## District Courts Criminal Docket Week Of Sept. 12

The following criminal cases have been assigned for trial in Judge Elzo Been's 88th District court for the week beginning Sept. 12, and in Judge Geo. L. Davenport's 91st district court for the week beginning Sept. 19:

88th District Court—Frank Bida, arson; Buford Tarver, theft; Harlan Massey, burglary; Ned Jones, burglary and theft; Durwood Dick, robbery by assault; Oran Ashcraft, burglary and theft; J. M. Ray, possession of still; R. C. Jefferies, burglary; Frank Bida, arson.

91st District Court—J. D. Shelley, burglary; Chester McKeegan, burglary and theft; R. L. Morning, burglary and theft; Cecil Shugart, burglary; Fred Tarver, possession of still and liquor; H. C. McMinn, burglary; Owen Sellers, burglary.

## 88th Court Grand Jury

The following persons compose the list of grand jurors selected by the jury commission to serve at the September term of the 88th district court, which convenes Monday, Sept. 5th.

F. W. Roberts, Rising Star; E. C. Satterwhite, Eastland; C. A. Crownover, Rising Star; Ed Jones, Gorman; P. O. Burns, Okra; F. G. Yonkers, Ranger; W. C. Bedford, Desdemona; Walter Harwell, Ranger; W. E. Ricks, Cisco; L. C. Cash, Pioneer; C. J. Leclair, Olden; H. G. Bailey, Cisco; T. L. Parker, Eastland; Harry Hall, Carbon; W. F. Walker, Cisco; Ben Landreth, Rising Star.

## Special Venire for Forrester.

A special venire of 50 persons has been drawn from which to select a jury in the case of the state of Texas vs. H. L. Forrester, charged with murder. The case is set for September 8. Following are the jurors summoned:

R. W. Kirshner, Cisco; Lonnie King, Eastland; T. L. Pelfrey, Rising Star; F. A. Jones, Eastland; T. R. Kierease, Ranger; W. B. Statham, Cisco; B. D. Kimmel, Ranger; C. W. Kean, Cisco; Ed Huestes, Cisco; J. N. Jordan, Gorman; John Kinburg, Ranger; F. B. Joyce, Pioneer; J. A. Kimble, Ran-

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## AESCULAPIAN DISCIPLE VACATIONING IN CISCO

Dr. Tom H. Foley, Jr., a devotee of Aesculapius, who is a student of the Galveston Medical College, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Foley, here. While he, as yet, is only an M. D. in the making, but the passing of time, when he shall have studied the required course, and passed the board of inquisition, will award him his diploma authorizing him to practice his profession of healing the material body, and relieving the sick.

Mrs. B. L. Thompson, of Santa Fe, N. M., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Etta Hart, this week.

## JUDGE McDONALD OUT AFTER RECENT STROKE

The friends of Judge J. H. McDonald will be glad to hear that he is fast recovering from a recent paralytic stroke, and while a bit wobbly, is able to be out on the streets.

Judge McDonald suffered a stroke about four weeks ago, which caused considerable alarm to his family and friends, as he was apparently badly affected, and was compelled to remain in bed several days. However, he rallied, and is now able to get about with the aid of a cane, and feels that he will be fully restored to his normal health.

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