

THE BENJAMIN POST

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SPLINTERS

Chas. A. Bisbee

Two billion dollars is a lot of money to have to pay back just so the Republicans can try to bolster up the stock market before election time. Those of you who think that you will get your finger in the pie, just try it.

There came to this desk, this week, a copy of the American Chamber of Commerce Journal which is published in the Phillipine Islands. From a hasty perusal of the magazine and especially the advertising which appears in it, we are tempted to spend our next vacation there in the P. I. Several advertisements of fine liquors and high grade beers are carried in this magazine as well as several brands of American cigarettes, picture shows automobiles and machinery.

Volume 1, No. 1 of the Conservationist, a magazine devoted to the interest of the oil and gas industries came to our desk this week and in it were contained many interesting articles. Dennis Moore is the Editor and the magazine is published at Ft. Worth.

If everyone runs for office that is figuring on running, they would, if placed end to end, extend from right to left. We pity the babies that have to be kissed this year.

Since we can no longer talk about the drought, the weather has but little interest as a topic of conversation.

The date set for the Democratic Convention in Chicago, June 27, follows the Republican convention a trifle too closely: two weeks inst long enough time for the Democrats to get over laughing, says the Chicago Tribune.

Laugh this one off. The total loss of United States foreign trade in the last two years, within which time the Hawley Smoot Tariff Act has been in effect 18 months, is practically as great as the entire export trade of this country in the boom year of 1929

Will Rogers says that America gets the blame for everything, and who does America blame, Will.

We blame our troubles on the partnership car that is jointly owned by us and the finance co. The Carlsbad Cavern now boasts an elevator. Wonder what the original cave man would think to come back home and find all modern conveniences in his adobe.

We are informed that the batting average of some of the court house inhabitants is on the decline.

That's alright; make fun of us. "Every one to his own taste, as the old lady said when she kissed the cow.

They say that newspapers soaked in water pressed into balls when dried out make a good substitute for coal and it is surprising how long they will last. Another use old newspapers are put to is cover for the bed or paper for the walls. Another use-but most people use mail order catalogues. Anyway the Post is only one and one half dollars a year and can be used for most anything. Some people even read it.

C. of C. To Hold Annual Meet Tonight

The Benjamin Chamber of Commerce will hold its first Annual meeting tonight starting at seven o'clock. There will be a banquet at seven at the Club Rooms with approximately sixty reservations made at six o'clock Thursday evening. No reservations can be accepted after 12 o'clock today. Reservations should be made through Chas. Moorhouse or A. C. McGlothlin. Plate charges are fifty cents per person.

The meeting will open at the Christian Church shortly before seven o'clock. The group will adjourn to the club room for the banquet. Following the banquet at eight o'clock there will be an open meeting at the Christian Church to which the public is invited. The music is under the direction of Misses Helen Bisbee and Francis Moorhouse while the dramatic features are in charge of Miss Elizabeth Myers. The open meeting will be a one-speech affair with Mr. Banden, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce as the speaker. The food service is being rendered by the Ladies Aid of the Christian Church. A large attendance is expected at the open meeting starting at eight o'clock. As noted above additional reservations for the banquet must be in before twelve o'clock today.

Wrights Take Over Panhandle Station

The I. T. Wright and Son garage has moved from their old stand in the west part of town to the Panhandle building on the corner of the square. They are agents for the Panhandle products but will continue to do repair work in their new location. Mr. Wright senior, is one of the old timers of the country who worked for many years in this country when it was all open range, and before going into the repair business, was engaged for a number of years in the abstract business. The junior member of the firm has been in the garage business for several years and is considered one of the best mechanics in the country. They have enjoyed a good patronage at the old location and being more conveniently situated now, should expand their business to a marked degree.

NOTICE TO CITY TAXPAYERS

In as much as there was a deficit of \$2,770 in the Interest and Sinking fund and \$5,565 of unpaid city tax for the years 1928, 29 and 30, and \$2,740 required to meet 1932 bond and interest payments with only a small part of 1931 tax yet paid, the City Council finds it necessary to make every effort to collect sufficient taxes to meet these obligations.

We realize fully the scarcity of money, the hard times, the depressed condition of the country and the inability of a few to meet their obligations, yet if every property owner of Benjamin will consider the obligations of the city a personal obligation on themselves, we feel that even in these hard times a sufficient amount of taxes can be paid to uphold the credit and good name of Benjamin.

With this end in view the council in its January 15th, meeting ordered that all penalties be remitted on all delinquent taxes paid before April first 1932, and further ordered that any tax may be paid in installments and no penalties required if total tax be paid before April first 1932.

Under this arrangement, it appears to the council that all small tax accounts and many larger ones can be paid.

It was further ordered by the council that a ten per cent discount be allowed delinquent water users if the account be paid in full before February 15th, 1932.

Our sympathy is for our town and the people who make our town but our creditors will not let us function as a town unless we collect money to pay our bills.

By order of the City Council.
J. B. Jones, Mayor.
Leroy C. Melton
Secretary and Treasurer.

FROM THE EDITOR'S VIEWPOINT

A COMPARISON OF THE STATE DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES IN A SIX YEAR PERIOD CAUSES US TO WONDER. IN CHOOSING A GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE WE'LL KEEP THEM IN MIND.

The Associated Press carried the Story Wednesday that the state had hired an expert to reduce operating costs of the state. A tentative contract was engaged into with Griffenhagen and associates of Chicago, specialists in administration and finance to make a survey of the state governmental departments with a view to consolidating and co-ordinating as an economy move. The Legislature committee headed by Representative Harry N. Graves of Georgetown will make recommendations to the 43rd Legislature.

There is no doubt that the state needs an efficiency expert as will be seen by a comparison of the appropriations made for Departmental budgets by the 39th Legislature in 1925 and the 42nd Legislature in 1931. But why a Chicago firm should be hired as efficiency experts is more than we can comprehend. Chicago is the most notoriously busted governmental department on the face of the earth and if the efficiency experts of that place are qualified by what has been done in Chicago, Texas does not need them. 1925 has not been such a long time ago that those responsible for the condition of states affairs a that time, cannot still be found and they, perhaps, more than any experts from the busted city of Chicago, could shed some light on governmental economy.

Hon. E. L. Covey of Knox County who was in the Legislature at that time might shed some light on these conditions.

This being a political year, we are going to make our choice of Governor and of the Legislative officers on the principles that the candidate stands for and his ability to carry out these principals.

To illustrate what we mean we offer for your comparison, figures which are attested to by Mrs. Emma Grigsby Meharg, former Secretary of State and Mrs. Jane Y McCallum, present incumbent of this office. The figures given below are Recapitulations of Departmental budgets as appropriated by the Thirty-ninth Legislature and the Forty-second Legislature and are for the years ending August 31, 1927, 1932, 1933. It will be noticed that the totals for the years 1926 and 1927 are less than half those for the years 1932 and 1933. It will also be noticed that the appropriations made for the years 1925 which followed the prosperous year of 1924. The appropriations for the years 1932 and 1933 were made by the Forty-second Legislature in the year 1931 following the depression year of 1930 and 31 itself being the worst year from a financial standpoint of any that we can remember. It is true that these figures need some explanation but we are unable to shed any light on why that in the short period of six years, the departmental expenses of the state should more than double.

Appropriations for the expense of the 39th Legislature during the regular term were \$165,000.00. The expenses of the 42nd Legislature were \$250,000.00. The two extra sessions were held by the 42 Legislature but the figures are not given because there were no special sessions of the 39th Legislature with which to compare them.

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Red Cross Asks Aid To Care For Needy

The Red Cross has issued another call for donations and are in especial need of childrens clothes and shoes, anything that can be made into clothes, blanket quilts and bed clothes for sick people, and foods of all kinds. All wheat donated the Red Cross will be milled into flour for distribution where needed. People are urged to bring in these donations as there is an urgent need for them at once.

Miss Mary Parr from the American Red Cross headquarters is here and there will be a meeting at the Beavers building at 3 o'clock this afternoon at which time representatives from all over the county will be present. There are at present 150 members on the roll of the Red Cross in Knox County, the largest number since the world war, but the need for the organization is perhaps greater now than at the time during the past twenty years. People are beginning to respond to the calls of the Red Cross but the cooperation is not all that it should be yet. Do your bit now

Inter-scholastic's Set Dates for Meets

The Knox County Interscholastic League Basketball Tournament will be held at Munday, on February 5th and 6th. This meet will be for the purpose of choosing a champion in the following events: Senior Boys Basketball, Senior Girls Basketball, and Junior Boys Basketball.

Drawings for Senior Boys and Senior Girls will be held in the office of H. H. Riley in the High School building at Munday at 6 P. M. on the evening of February 5th. In case you do not have someone on hand to draw you must be content with my drawing for you. All drawings for Junior Boys will be made by me in the presence of the Director General and all Junior teams scheduled to play before 10:00 A. M. of February 6th will be notified by phone. All Junior Boys Teams must be on hand to play after above time. You will not be allowed to come over and enter a team that has not received the O. K. of the County Superintendent as to age.

A normal charge must be made at the gate to defray expenses of the meet and set aside enough to handle the County Track meet. All Junior boys will be passed at the gate when playing as well as the girls. They will be required to play when ever their games can be wedged in.

Should you care to enter a Junior team you will execute the proper form herewith and mail as directed thereon.

Should you care to enter a Senior Girls team you will execute proper form and mail as directed.

Should you care to enter a Senior Boys team you will execute the proper form and mail as directed thereon.

I trust that you will abide by the rules of the League when you send your entries in for the meet. We are expecting that the League Rules apply to the girls just the same as the Senior boys. The Junior Boys must be passing 3 subjects and not have attained their 15th birthday on Sept. 1st, 1931. Mrs. P. Pool will check these ages and send entries to me at earliest date possible after Jan. 30th.

Jas. H. Bardwell
Director of Athletics.

J. W. CHOWNING ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION

In the announcement columns of the Post this week will be found the name of J. W. Chowning as candidate for reelection to the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries in July. Mr. Chowning has faithfully served the people of this precinct and his past record stands for itself. He wishes to thank the people for their support in the past and will appreciate their vote and influence in the coming election. Mr. Chowning states that it is his intention to see all the voters before the election but that this method of letting the people that he will again be a candidate for the office that he now holds.

Funeral Services Of Mrs. Tom Bedford Held Here Tuesday

Mrs. Tom Bedford of Berkeley, California, passed away November 15th, 1931, at her home in that city. Her funeral, planned by herself, was conducted by Rev. E. N. Griggs, pastor of the University Christian Church, at the Chapel of the Chimes on Wednesday, 3 p. m. November 18th and she was laid to rest in a vault in the Chapel of the Chimes, until arrangements could be made for sending her to Benjamin, where she wished to be laid to rest by the side of her infant daughter who passed away in July 1903 at Seymour, Texas. Her sister, Mrs. Mary Hinton, who was with her the last two months of her life accompanied her remains here, arriving Monday morning of the 25 and a very sweet and appropriate funeral service was held at Benjamin Christian Church, Tuesday at 3 p. m., by Rev. W. P. Jennings, pastor of the First Christian Church of Lubbock, assisted by Rev. A. R. Caudle, pastor of Benjamin Christian Church.

Mrs. Bedford is survived by four brothers, Charlie, Rufus, Will and Hilary, and four sisters, Mrs. Sallie Jones, Mrs. Nellie Coombs, Mrs. Annie Ratliff and Mrs. Mary Hinton.

Other relatives who attended the funeral were: Mrs. J. O. Jones of Lubbock, George Ratliff and daughter and Mrs. Blevins of Midland, Chas. E. Coombs and son Zack of Stamford, Mrs. Chas. Bedford of Caprock, N. M. and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Free of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fancher of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Reeves and daughter Hortense, and Mr. J. Browder of Rochester, Mrs. Jessie Hinton of Lovington, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Browder of Truscott, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Benge of Vera, Mr. Ralph Bedford, J. A. Raley and wife and sons, John A. and Bedford of Lubbock, and several out of town friends, Mrs. Love Fancher of Seymour, Miss Maude Isbell of Goree, Mrs. John Smith Mrs. M. A. Reeder and Miss Mary Reeder of Knox City, Mrs. Myrtle Craig Smith of Truscott, Mrs. Claudia Hurd, Mrs. Tom Hurd, Mrs. Maude Shipman and Mrs. Jim Hinson of Vera, Miss Eva Browning of Lubbock, Mrs. L. D. Cooper, Mrs. L. E. Larche, Mrs. J. D. Gould, Mrs. A. M. Conant, Mrs. Roger Small of Stamford, Hugh Jones of San Angelo, Henry Patterson and R. C. Spinks of Vera.

An article written by intimate friends of the deceased will be published in the paper next week.

Banden Will Speak Tonight

Mr. Banden, formerly manager of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce and at present manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be the speaker at the first annual meeting and banquet of the Benjamin Chamber of Commerce to be held tonight at the club rooms and Christian Church. Mr. Banden has had wide experience in Chamber of Commerce work since taking over the direction of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has made an exceptional record. Under his management the West Texas organization has a long list of outstanding accomplishments in the service of the State and of West Texas. The local Chamber of Commerce feels fortunate in securing Mr. Banden as its one speaker for its first annual meeting. The open meeting of the Chamber tonight will start at eight o'clock at the Christian Church and the public is invited to the program and to hear the address of Mr. Banden.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Benge of Vera were here Tuesday.

Hilary Bedford of Midland was in Benjamin the first of the week. This is Mr. Bedfords first visit to the old home town in many years. He was one of the first white children born in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Browder of Truscott were in Benjamin the first of the week.

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FROM THE EDITORS VIEWPOINT — Continued from front page

Department of Agriculture	\$260,180.00	\$332,090.00
Attorney General's Department	239,620.00	280,340.00
Banking Department	361,840.00	315,340.00
Board of Water Engineers	122,600.00	141,800.00
Bureau of Labor Statistics	55,600.00	67,600.00
State Comptrollers Department	320,800.00	757,250.00
Executive Department	75,882.000	81,610.00
Board of Pardon Advisors	19,000.00	32,600.00
State Fire Insurance Commission	448,860.00	392,280.00
Game, Fish and Oyster Commission	146,800.00	184,260.00
General Land Office	188,800.00	236,700.00
State Board of Control	267,460.00	465,770.00
State Board of Health	279,281.00	486,600.00
State Auditor		194,400.00
State Library	55,444.00	71,660.00
State Insurance Department	82,190.00	213,130.00
Industrial Accident Board	91,440.00	119,330.00
State Highway Department	1,088,060.00	1,164,240.00
Livestock Sanitation Commission	442,300.00	1,125,240.00
Mining Board	6,750.00	
Railroad Commission	347,000.00	626,740.00
Reclamation Department	86,400.00	84,700.00
Department of State	87,760.00	109,720.00
State Tax Board	11,888.00	11,178.00
State Parks	23,800.00	41,205.00
State Treasury	66,920.00	90,624.00
Education Department	159,640.00	176,240.00
Vocational Education	42,000.00	744,818.76
Adjutant General's Department	570,440.00	930,466.00
Ranger Force	110,000.00	
Cigarette Stamp Division		154,240.00
Barber Examiner's Board		78,300.00
Comptroller's Judicial Department		39,766.59
Cigarette Tax Enforcement		46,000.00
Prison System		3,770,380.00
TOTALS	\$6,640,283.80	\$13,566,636.64

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**Political
Announcements**

**Subject to the action of the
Democratic Party in the
July Primary.**

For County Judge:

J. W. Melton

For Tax Assessor

Earl Sams

For District Clerk

Roy Phillips

For County Treasurer

J. T. (Uncle Trav) House

For Commissioner, Precinct 3.

J. W. Chowning

The Baylor County Baner last week carried the announcement of John Albright for Tax Assessor. Mr. Albright was a resident of Benjamin for many years and his many friends wish him well in his political race.

We notice in the Haskell Free Press that Judge A. M. Howsley of Albany is to make the race for State Senate. Judge Howsley represented Shackelford and Jones counties during the 42nd Legislature. He will be remembered by several of the Knox County people as he was reared at Throckmorton and married a Seymour girl, Miss Mozelle Fancher.

Bill Zinn of Seymour was in the city this week on business.

Miss Maude Isbell of Goree and Miss Eva Browning of Lubbock have been the guest of Mrs. I. T. Wright this week.

NOTICE

The Hatchery is now in operation and we are prepared to hatch all the chicks you need, and furnish you all kinds of Baby Chicks.

Our setting day is Monday of each week, so come to see us.

WALDRIP'S HATCHERY
Knox City, Texas

Editor E. L. Covey of Goree was a visitor in Benjamin Tuesday

O. D. Propps was a business visitor in Gilliland Wednesday.

Look our stock of used cars over before you buy.

Ashcroft Chevrolet Co.
Knox City, Texas

Judge J. W. Melton was in Goree on business Wednesday

Mrs. Florence Williams of Munday is visiting relatives here this week.

Setting prices are \$2.50 cash or 4 heavy hens per tray of 120 eggs. We do not require either until you get your chicks.

WALDRIP'S HATCHERY
Knox City, Texas

Paul Russel of Truscott was here Thursday on business.

Good used Chevrolet cars, fours and sixes.

Ashcroft Chevrolet Co.
Knox City, Texas.

W. O. Logan and Jack Spikes of Snyder were in Benjamin Thursday.

E. Duval and R. S. Barton of Munday were in Benjamin Thursday on business.

If you are in the market for a good used car see us.

Ashcroft Chevrolet Co.
Knox City, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Parson were visiting relatives in Seymour Sunday.

R. Cowden of Truscott was in the city on day this week.

Setting prices are \$2.50 cash or 4 heavy hens per tray of 120 eggs. We do not require either until you get your chicks.

WALDRIP'S HATCHERY
Knox City, Texas

James A. Stephens and J. C. Patterson were in Haskell Wednesday on business.

Dr. J. E. Stover of Truscott was in the city one day this week.

Supt. C. H. Stewart of Truscott was in Benjamin the first of the week on business.

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Brown Drug Store
TRUSCOTT, TEXAS

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If he finds concentration difficult . . . if he becomes drowsy quickly . . . if he complains of headaches, or if his eyes become bloodshot easily—it is entirely possible that poor lighting is the cause.

Lamps must be of sufficient wattage to give plenty of light, and fixtures must be so arranged as to produce no glare—either direct or indirect. Check your lamps and your lighting arrangements. . . . Are you giving your boy a fair chance?

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
THE UNITED STATES FOR
THE NORTHERN DISTRICT
OF TEXAS, WICHITA
FALLS DIVISION

In the matter of Brooks Louis Ches-
ser, Bankrupt.

No. 611, In Bankruptcy.

Notice of meeting of creditors on
discharge.

WHEREAS, a petition for dis-
charge, properly verified, has been
filed in said Court and in the above
cause by said Bankrupt, who was
heretofore adjudged Bankrupt which
has been referred to me, under the
orders of this court to give the statu-
tory notice, hear and make report.

YOU ARE therefore, hereby noti-
fied that if you wish to oppose the
the granting of said discharge by the
Judge, you must file with me at my
office, 714 Staley Building, in the
City of Wichita Falls, Texas on or
before the 29th day of February A.
D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the fore-
noon, your appearance in writing,
stating thereon that you appear for
the purpose of opposing said dis-
charge and file with me within ten
days thereafter at said place, speci-
fications in writing, of the grounds
of your opposition, as provided in
General Order 32 of the Supreme
Court of the United States in Bank-
ruptcy.

Dated this the 26th day of Jan-
uary A. D. 1932.

WALTER NELSON
Refree in Bankruptcy, as Special
Master.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND
CREDITORS

The State of Texas
County of Knox

To those indebted to, or holding
claims against the Estate of W. H.
Bratcher, Deceased:

The undersigned having been duly
appointed administratrix of the Es-
tate of W. H. Bratcher, Deceased,
late of Knox County, Texas, by J.
W. Melton, judge of the County
Court of said County on the 18th
day of January, A. D. 1932, during
a regular term thereof, hereby noti-
fies all persons indebted to said es-
tate to come forward and make set-
tlement, and those having claims
against said estate to present them
to her within the time prescribed by
law at her residence at Vera, Knox
County, Texas, where she receives
her mail, this the 26th day of Jan-
uary, A. D. 1932.

Mary L. Bratcher
Administratrix of the Estate of W.
H. Bratcher, Deceased.

G. M. Bryan, well known Knox
County farmer from the south side
was in Benjamin Tuesday paying
taxes and made this office a pleas-
and call. Mr. Bryan requested us
to change his address fro Knox City
to Munday as he has recently moved
to a farm near that place.

W. A. Brown of Truscott was
here on business Monday. Jack
Brown was also here.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
NOTES

Services for Sunday, January, 31.
Bible School, 10 A. M.
Lesson, Jesus Feeds the Multitude,
John 6-1-52.

Get your bibles and study the les-
son now.

Preaching, 11 A. M.
Subject, Abraham Lincoln. An or-
ation. The teachers and students
of the Public Schools and the gener-
al public are asked to come at 11
A. M. and hear this message.

Lincoln was born February 12,
1809 in Hardin Co. Ky. Lincolns
mother died in 1818. His father
Thos. Lincoln, married again in 1820
Abraham Lincoln was Captain in
Blackhawk war in 1832, elected to
legislature in 1834, 1836, elected to
congress in 1846, elected President
Nov. 6, 1860. Issued Emancipation
Proclamation Sept 1862, Reelected
president in 1864. Shot through the
head at Fords Theatre in 1865.

Be sure and come and hear this
oration.

Beginning at 7 P. M. the Christ-
ian Endeavor Society of Crowell
will render a special program for us.
Let every Endeavorer be present
and have a full house of parents and
others.

A. R. Caudle.

FOR SALE

Fat hogs, ready for killing.
Weights up to 300 pounds.
Hamilton Ranch

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when you buy from us. We han-
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provide genuine quality at low prices

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
January 29-30

JONATHAN APPLES, Fine for pies, Doz.19
ORANGES, Drink orange juice, 176 size, doz. ....	.30
APPLES, Fancy Pearmain, doz. ....	.30
LETTUCE, Necessary in your winter diet, head ...	.05
SPUDS, No 1, Idaho, perfect bakers, 10 lbs. ....	.19
BANANAS, Golden Fruit, pound .....	.05
OATS, Blue and White, premium in every pkg ...	.21
APRICOTS, Eat with your fresh meats, 4 lbs. ....	.45
CORN, Standard No 2 can .....	.10
SUGAR, 25 lbs	1.25
SALAD WAFERS, Those good, 2 lbs. ....	.25
APRICOTS, No 2 1-2 can, per can .....	.15
JOWLS, Dry Salt, fine for boiling, pound .....	.07
MINCE MEAT, Red and White, pkg. ....	.10
FRESH OYSTERS, per doz .....	.15

REMEMBER, ALL RED AND WHITE MERCHAN-
DISE MUST PLEASE YOU 100 PER CENT OR
YOUR MONEY CHEERFULLY REFUNDED.

BENJAMIN MERCANTILE

The RED & WHITE Store

THE PHANTOM PILOT TO BE SHOWN IN BENJAMIN

Notices have been received to the effect that in the near future the Phantom Pilot, one of the outstanding mystery plays of the year, will be brought to Benjamin to be shown at the local theatre within a short time. Further details will be made in the near future. The play is replete with a mixture of stable comedy and hair-raising moments. It is seldom that such a show can be brought to the smaller towns and it is expected that the Phantom Pilot will be an event in the lives of the theatre-going people of Benjamin. It is expected that there will be an advance sale of reserved seats.

PARENT TEACHERS MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9th.

The next meeting of the Parent Teachers Association will be held on Tuesday Feb. 9th at the school building. The program committee will be asked to meet and complete the details of the program for that meeting. This committee consists of Miss Helen Bisbee, Chairman, and Mesdames O. D. Propps, J. H. Atterbury and Frank Moorhouse. The parts of the program will be assigned early so that preparation necessary to an effective meeting may be made.

CITY STORES TO CLOSE AT SIX

We, the undersigned merchants and citizens of Benjamin agree to close our places of business promptly at 6 P. M. except Saturdays beginning Monday January 25th. and continue until Sept. 1st. 1932.
Benjamin Mercantile Company.
By A. H. Sams
G. M. G. Store
By J. L. Galloway
City Barber and Tailor Shop
By L. M. Williams
City Meat Market
By J. A. McCanlies
Jackson Grocery
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CAMP FIRE GIRLS MEET

The Camp Fire Girls met January 27. We had the program as follows: Story from Everygirls Magazine. Fannie Doak Laird.
Jokes, Julia Propps.
Why I like the Camp Fire Girls. Avis Chamberlain.
Five knots were tied by Leona Patterson.
Report of the life of an inventor. La Verne McCanlies
Book Report Valerie Atterbury.
A Hollyhock drill was practiced to be given at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet.
La Verne McCanlies and Glenda Grace Qualls were hostess. Sandwiches, cookies, and chocolate were served. Fannie Doak Laird and Ruth Jo Marlow will be hostess for the next meeting.
Scribe La Verne McCanlies.

VACANCIES IN THE GOVERNMENT

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:
Teacher of secondary English, 3,000 pesos to 3,200 pesos a year, normal school demonstration teacher 3,000 pesos to 3,400 pesos a year, Philippine Service. The normal value of the Philippine peso equals 50 cents in United States money. Applications will be received until further notice.
Associate marine engineer, \$3200 a year, assistant marine engineer, \$2600 a year, Navy Department. Closing date, February 16, 1932.
Assistant dentist, \$2600 to \$3200 a year, Public Health Service. This examination is open to women only. Closing date, Feb. 16, 1932.
Cytologist, \$3800 to 4600 a year, Public Health Service. Closing date, Feb. 16, 1932.

WHAT CAN PAY FOR FIRE?

Insurance will rebuild a destroyed factory, compensate for the burning of a stock of goods, and provide other indemnity, but nothing in the world can pay for a fire.
We cannot secure complete compensation for loss of time, of business, of employment, for the industrial stagnation that fire sometimes creates. Nor can we measure human life in dollars—and many thousands of these go to death via accidental cremation each year. Nor can anything compensate for a fire that brings to an end the development of a community—as a number of great conflagrations have done in the past and may do again in the future.
Fire insurance is one of the cornerstones of our industrialization, but it cannot pay for indirect costs of fire which are often greater than the direct costs.

The very stability of our great insurance has blinded most of us to these other vicious losses until we lose sight of the fact that fire prevention is not primarily in the interest of the insurance companies, whose rates are based mathematically on the law of averages, but is rather the indirect interest of every one of us in minimizing these unseen losses.

AMERICAN LEGION PROMOTES SAFETY

The American Legion, with its 11,000 posts throughout the country, is aiding in the welfare activities of the nation. It has made safety one of its major activities; not National Safety, but individual safety in the home, in the school, and particularly on the highways and streets of our land. Recent estimates show that 100,000 persons were killed in the United States by all accidents in 1931, of which approximately 35,000 were victims of the automobile.

The new Legion activity has received the warm endorsement of all agencies devoted to accident prevention and safety education. Substantial evidence of this is carried out by the fact that the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety underwriters in New York, in furtherance of its conservation campaign, has furnished the legion with a comprehensive text book and guide. Under the title, "Community Safety Activities for American Legion Posts," the Bureau has not only outlined what the Legion might do in attacking the serious problem, but suggests how it may be done.

Every phase of the subject is defined clearly and definitely covered in the pamphlet of 38 pages which is now going to every post in the United States.

The situation in industry, the school and the streets are all explained with suggestions of programs looking to improvement.

Legionnaires are advised to get back to constructive legislation of all kinds, to cooperate with the authorities and other civic associations in working out a definite, scientific traffic enforcement, to back the schools in safety education and to labor for improved conditions in the homes. The Legion has undertaken a great work and its efforts will make life a little safer for us all.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend to our many friends our sincere thanks, and our appreciation of your many acts of kindness, your every expression of sympathy and love, and for the beautiful floral offerings at the funeral of our dear sister, Mrs. Lettie Bedford.
May Gods richest blessings rest upon each and every one of you.
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bedford
Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Bedford
Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Bedford
Mr. Will Bedford
Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ratliff
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Coombs
Mrs. Mary T. Hinton

All states except Iowa, Maine, Maryland, New Hampshire, Vermont, Virginia, and the District of Columbia have received less than their share of appointments in the apportioned departmental service at Washington, D. C.
Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office in any city which has a post office of the first or the second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

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