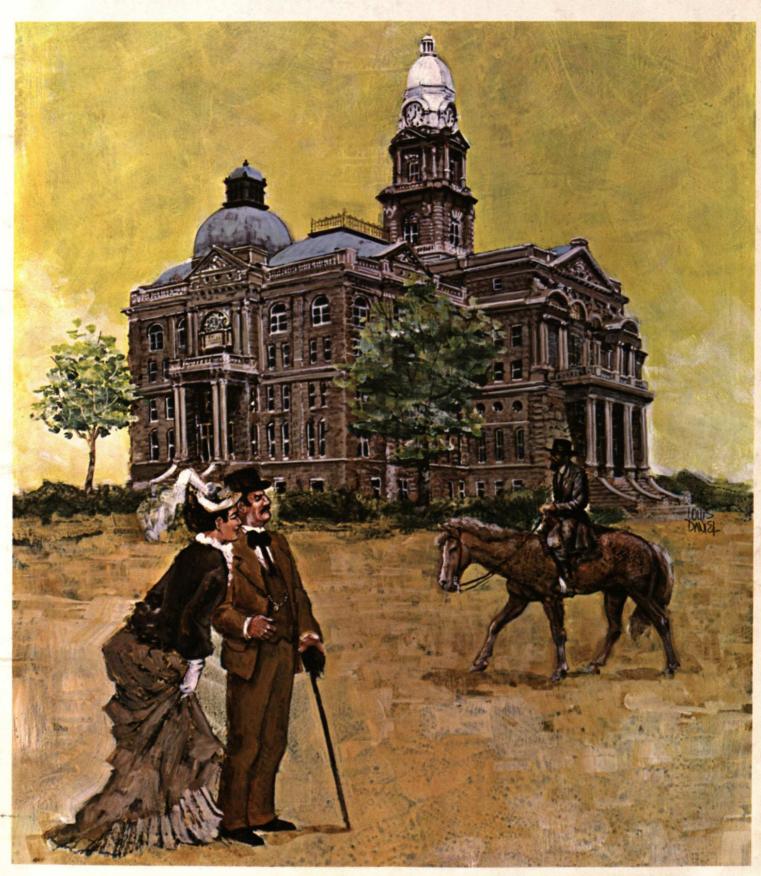


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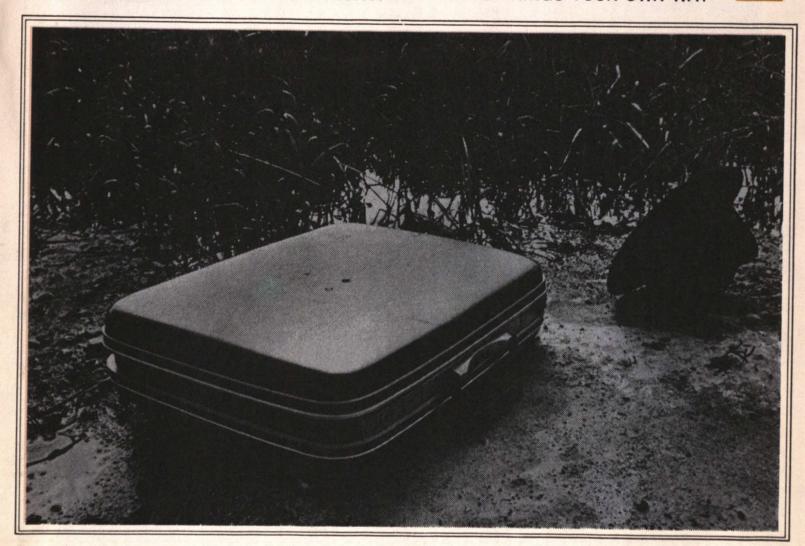
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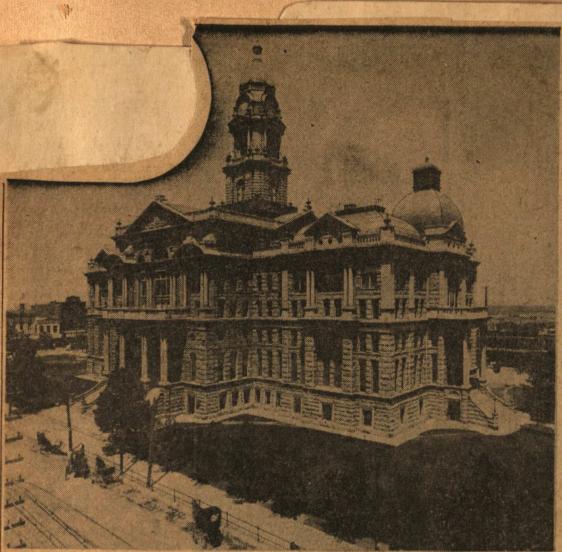
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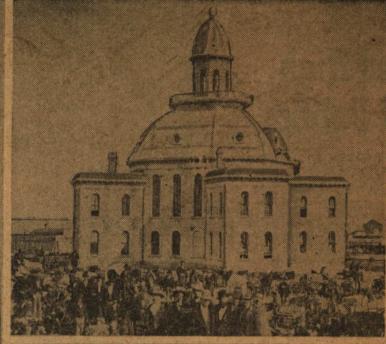
But you may be just about to blow your life!

An astonishing number of people make a stupid and tragic mistake. To put it simply, they jump into careers without really looking. The result — a dreary life full of frustration and anger. A life of

underachievement, not just in work, but in living. Below are some questions for you to ask yourself. You should be able to answer them ... whether you're having first thoughts about a career...

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EIGHT COURTHOUSES SERVED THE COUNTY FROM 1849 TO 1949

Tarrant County's eight courthouses:

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1849-1856—A frame building in Birdville.

1856-1860—The first Fort Worth courthouse, a frame building on the west curb of the present courthouse grounds.

1860-1876—The first real courthouse, partly of stone, begun in 1860 and completed in 1866. Destroyed by fire on March 29, 1876.

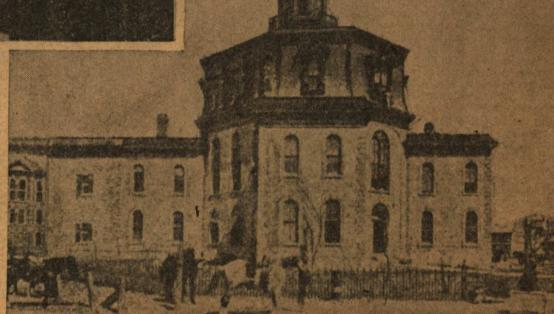
April 1876—When courthouse burned, county court rented the Darter Building on Houston for one month.

1876-1878—While new courthouse was being built, a temporary frame building 65 by 25 feet was built on courthouse grounds.

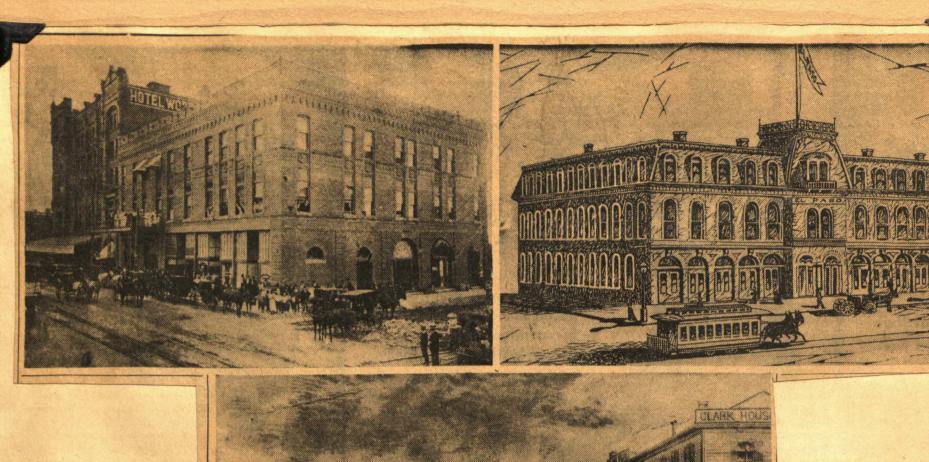
1878-1893—A new permanent courthouse replacing the one that burned.

1893-1894—Old courthouse torn down to make way for new one, and county officers were housed in building at 7th and Commerce rented from Wallace Hendricks.

1894-Present courthouse completed and placed in use.



THREE COURTHOUSES—Top, left, Tarrant County's courthouse soon after it was occupied in 1894; lower right, the courthouse which burned in 1876; top right, the courthouse which replaced the burned building and later was razed to make room for the present granite structure.





BEST IN THEIR DAY—Upper left. Worth Hotel on Main between 7th and 8th Sts., on corner where now stands Hotel Texas. Upper right, El Paso Hotel—one of the most modern in the state with "81 thoroughly ventiliated rooms"—on site which successively has been occupied by Pickwick, El Paso, Delaware and Westbrook Hotels. Lower, the Clark House built in 1875 at Main and Lancaster. The shaky frame structure was put up in open country to be near the depot, and served as starting point for stage lines radiating to north, south, west.



TRAGIC REMINDER-Above is a reproduction of the poster advertising the Spring Palace which burned May 30, 1890, the eve of its final day of presentation. It was

When News Was 'Ding-Donged'

Old Bell on Lawn Tolled Spring Palace Fire in 1890

many people don't notice it ration of 1909.

Two small boys, playing with suspended as it is from a low stone arch on the City Hall lawn.

But there was a time when it hung high in a belfry and told the town of many memorable events.

Such as the disastrous Spring Palace fire of 1890. Seven thousand persons had jammed into the Spring Palace-a canvas structure decorated with straw, and Spanish moss on the T& P reservation—when somehow caught fire.

In 11 minutes, the whole thing collapsed. Although only 16 exits led to safety, every person in the building escaped. But one man—a civil engineer, Al Hayne—was killed trying to save the others. A marker is erected to his cour-age at the juncture of Man and

Too, the bell—purchased in 1983 and housed in the first Central Station between 11th and 12th on Main and later in the second Central Station at Monroe and Throckmorton—sounded the tham for the city's greatest fire,

It's just an old fire bell and the mammoth South side conflag-

coals from beneath their mother's wash pot, were blamed for the fire. They first set their barn afire and the sparks instantly ignited neighboring houses which were like tender because of a three-month drouth.

month drouth.

A strong wind, 35 to 52 miles an hour, coming from the southwest spread the flames. Before it was checked, the fire had eaten 14 blocks of homes, churches and a few businesses, as well as several thousand feet of fire hose.

The bell had a clanner which

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The bell had a clapper which was used at first. Later, an electrically-actuated hammer struck the bell a number of blows corresponding to the number of the call box that sent in the alarm. In 1912, use of the bell was discontinued although it remained in the Central Station belfry until the building was demolished in 1939.

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At 4 p. m., Nov. 11, 1918, Fire Chief W. E. Bideker climbed the steps to the bell tower and rang the bell for 30 minutes to tell Fort Worth World War I was over.

forevunner of TCU.

By 1873, a newspaper boasted that Fort Worth, population 2,000, had two schools and "scholars enough for a third." The others were not long in coming.

The Weaver Male Institute, conducted by Prof. W. T. Weaver, listed many young men of the

Private School Flourished Before Free Education

tem was set up in 1882.

Tuition cost about \$5 a month. Teachers were lodged and fed at the homes of their pupils, rotating from family to family.

Fort Worth's first school was opened in January, 1854, by John Peter Smith, 22-year-old Kentuckian. He was graduated from Bethany College, Virginia, the year before, and had gone west to make his fortune.

Smith boarded at the home of Dr. Carroll M. Peak. His school-room was an Army barracks,

Dr. Carroll M, Peak. His schoolroom was an Army barracks,
abandoned the previous September when Maj. Ripley Arnold's
dragoons moved to Fort Belknap.
Fort Worth's population was 30
when Smith arrived. Tarrant
County's population was about

Finally in Business.

Smith was a schoolmaster three years. Then he became a surveyor, lawyer, and subsequently, one of Fort Worth's leading business men. He was succeeded by Miss Mary Armistead. Her school was at 502 E. Belknap. In 1861, Prof. 'J. T. Turner opened a school at Belknap and Lamar.

Both schools closed when the Civil War broke out. With the men off to war, children were needed at home and on the farms. Smith was a schoolmaster three

farms.

Then the soldiers returned.
Maj. K. M. Van Zandt and Dr.
Peak thought the Masonic Hall,
built in 1855 on the northeast corner of Belknap and Jones, would make a good schoolhouse. The two-story structure was dilap-

The two-story structure was dilapidated, however.

So Van Zandt, W H. Milwee and Milt Robinson pooled \$75 for a load of flour and traded it for East Texas lumber. They patched up the Masonic Hall and hired Capt. John Hanna, a Confederate soldier stranded in Dallas, to be the schoolmaster. the schoolmaster.

Masonic Institute.

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Hanna taught until 1870, when he became a lawyer. Oscar J. Lawrence and his sister Mary took over the school and named it the Fort Worth Masonic Institute. The school occupied the first floor. Masonic Lodge No. 148 met on the second floor. Miss Lawrence later married Capt. J. C. Terrell, prominent lawyer.

Revs. Addison and Randolph Clark and their sister Ida, opened a school on 6th St., between Houston and Main, in 1867 The Clarks went on to greater fame as the founders of Add-Ran College, forerunner of TCU.

By 1873, a newspaper boasted that Eart Watter Lawrence of 2000.

Private schools and academies flourished in Fort Worth before a tax-supported public school system was set up in 1882.

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Fort Worth's first school was opened in January, 1854, by John Mrs. E. S. Scribner opened a school on 4th St. Mrs. Jennie Alford enrolled 33 pupils for her school at 2nd and Taylor. The largest school was taught by Mrs. Belle M. Burchill, who later became postmaster. One hundred thirty boys and girls attended her classes in the Methodist Church at 4th and Jones.

School in Church.

And, in 1878, the first "high school" was opened with W. F. Mister as principal. There was a school, too, in the old First Christian Church, on 4th between Main and Houston. The Melton brothers were the teachers.

Attendance grew rapidly, for by this time a state appropriation of \$2.25 per pupil per year was being paid to the City Council. The council used the money for tuition of students who could not otherwise attend private schools.

otherwise attend private schools.

Best known of the old private schools was the Arnold-Walden Institute, owned by Mrs. Clara Peak Walden. Mrs. Walden was Carroll Peak's daughter. Her first instructor was John Peter Smith, who opened his school the month she was born, and boarded at her father's home for eight years.

Mrs. Walden was born in one of the old Fort Worth Army buildings. At 16, she married Le Grande Walden, a teacher. Skilled in Latin, Greek, Hebrew and higher mathematics, Mrs. Walden took up the same profession.

took up the same profession.

She taught in the Clark and
Melton schools, conducted her
own classes in the First Christian
Church for a year, and then in Church for a year, and then in 1877 built the schoolhouse at 614

W. 4th.

Mrs. Walden owned the building, land and school, but with modesty, put the name of her associate, Miss Elizabeth R. Arnold, first in the organization's title.

Distinguished Alumnae.

Many Arnold-Walden Institute pupils became prominent. Methodist Bishop H. A. Boaz was one. Others were John C. Ryan, pioneer real estate man; Mrs. Lily Peak Jones, Mrs. Elmo Sledd, Sidney Samuels, Bascom Dunn, Max, Albert and Edith Mayer, and Miss Olive Peak, Mrs. Walden's sister.

One of the first teachers at the institute was Miss Lily B. Clayton, who served the public schools for many years. Many Arnold-Walden Institute

many years.

Arnold-Walden Institute became part of the public school system in 1882. It was the Second Ward School until outgrown. The building finally was razed in 1939.

Also prominent in the same period was the Warren Female Institute, Jennings Ave. and 13th, conducted by Mrs. Ed Warren. As Miss Sue Huffman, Mrs. Warren was the first person to bear the title of city school superintendent here, in 1881.

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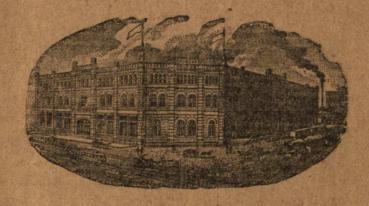
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Just a little bit of cardboard—to what? Anything—anything that has an admission charge of from five cents to five dollarstheatre, circus, football games, motorcycle races and honkytonks. One would think in this system of Americana only the indigent underdogs would pocket their pride and stick out their hands, driven to such humiliation by a yearning for nicer things of life. No so. When a dignified dowager will turn flapper the instant an Annie Oakley is stuck under her nose, the ghost of Annie, generally credited with at least making the handout fad popular, must spend many hauntless nights longing for her trusty rifle to rid the show people and entertainers of the shackles that bind them.

One definition of the word "pass" is "to take or force one's way in." No truer words were ever said.

O'Daniel, you know, passed the biscuit. The Children of Israel passed through the Red sea. The kaiser's army passed through Belgium some 20 years ago and there are more passes yet to come. But we will wager that out there in ghostland where Annie Oakley has pitched her tent the haunts that try to pass through have found a sign which reads:

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 10, 1900.

NATIONAL TICKET.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

For Vice President. ADLAI E. STEVENSON.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

Following are the nominees of the county mocratic primary, held March 31, 1900:

For District Judge.

Seventeenth!District.
MIKE E. SMITH.

Forty-eighth District. IRBY DUNKLIN.

For District Clerk.
W. DAN MCVEAN. For County Judge.
M. B. HARRIS.

For County Attorney

O. S. LATTIMORE. STERLING P. CLARK.

County Clerk. W. E. (Sam) BUTLER

JOE K. WINSTON.

For Assessor.
T. D. HOVENKAMP

County Treasurer.
J A. BALL.

Sup't Public Instruction. M. H. MOORE.

County Surveyor.

J. J. GOODFELLOW.

County Commissioner. Precinct No. 1—William Barr. Precinct No. 2—B. F. Ramsey. Precinct No. 3—B. H. Starr. recinct No. 4-J. H. Hightower

Justice of the Peace. Precinct No. 1-Frank Mullins and John L.

Precinct No. 2—C. D. King.
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Precinct No. 4—T. A. Neace.
Precinct No. 5—J. F. Bowman.
Precinct No. 6—M. C. Weils. Precinct No. 7—Louis Burson. Precinct No. 8—J. H. Alexander.

For Constable. Precinct No. 1--T. J. Maben. Precinct No. 2--E. M. James. Precinct No. 3--W. b. Hudgins. Precinct No. 4--N. C. Wren.
Precinct No. 5--James Kirkman.
Precinct No. 6--N. T. Rollins.
Precinct No. 7--Henry Cartmell.
Precinct No. 8--J. A. Alphin.

TEXAS & PACIFIC.

Eastbound. Arrive. Leave.
No. 6, Cannon Ball. 7:30 a. m.
No. 8, Dallas Local. 8:10 a. m.
No. 2, Tex. & St. L. Ex. 9:00 a. m.
No. 4, Fast Ex. 4:15 p. 11. 5:30 p. m.
No. 10, Dal. & W'd 10:15 a. m. 10:35 a. m.
No. 12, Dallas Local. 7:50 p. m.

TEXAS & PACIFIC.
Westbound. Arrive. Leave.
No. 7, Dallas Local. 5:05 p. m.
No. 3, Abilene Mail & Ex.
 8:00 a. m. 8:40 a. m.
No. 9, Dallas Local. 11:35 a. m.
No. 11, W'd Local. 2:55 p. m. 3:00 p. m.
No. 15 t. L & F W Ex 5:20 p. m.
No. 1, St. L & F W Ex 5:20 p. m.
No. 5. Cannon Ball. 8:20 p. m. 9:20 p. m.
TRANSCONTINENTAL.
(Texarkana, Sherman and Paris.)
Northbound. Arrive. Leave.
No. 32, dally. 5:10 p. m.
Texas and Pacific trains Nos. 5 and 6 only stop at Texarkana, T. C. Junction, Atlanta, Jefferson, Marshall, Longview Junction, Big Sandy, Mine-ola, Wills Point, Terrell, Forney, East Dallas, Dallas and Fort Worth.
MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS.
Northbound. Arrive Leave.
Katy Flyer, dally. 6:55 a. m. 7:45 a. m.
No. 2, daily. 1:00 p. m. 11:20 p. m.
Southbound. Arrive Leave.
Katy Flyer, dally. 6:55 a. m. 7:45 a. m.
No. 4, daily. 11:00 p. m. 11:20 p. m.
Southbound. Arrive. Leave.
Katy Flyer, daily. 6:10 a. m. 7:30 a. m.
No. 1, daily. 1:00 p. m. 11:20 p. m.
ROCK ISLAND ROUTE.
Arrive. Leave.
Mo. River Local. 7:30 p. m. 8:30 a. m.
Kan. City, Chicago,
Denver, Colorado
Springs & Pueblo
Fast Express. 7:10 a. m. 8:30 p. m.
Leaving time Seventeenth and Pecan
streets depot, 3 minutes later. Arriving
3 minutes earlier.
FORT WORTH AND DENVER.
Arrive. Leave.

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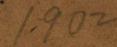
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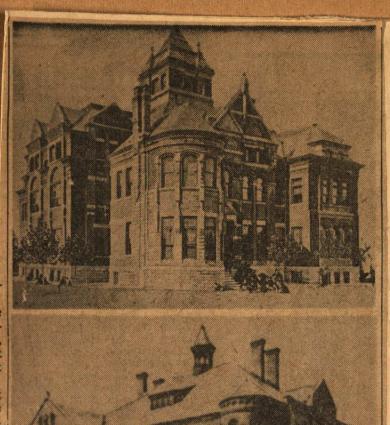
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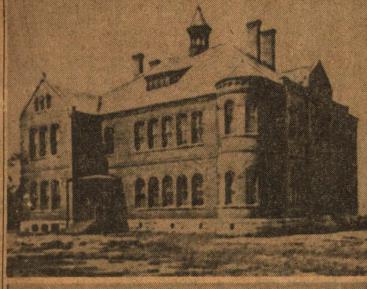
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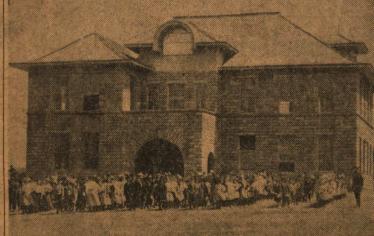
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF YESTERDAY — Top, Fort Worth High School at Jennings Ave. and Daggett which burned in 1910. Middle, Fourth Ward School which stood where Central Fire Hall is today at Cherry and Texas. Bottom, Polytechnic Elementary School before it became part of the Fort Worth School District.

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The above is a picture of the Premium Phaeton to be awarded by Mr. E. H. Kellar to the candidates for Chaperons who receive the highest number of votes in The Gazette's excursion contest. The Phaeton is now on exhibition at Mr. E. H. Keller's carriage repository, corner Second and Throckmorton.

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FIRST FORT WORTH SKYSCRAPER—The Board of Trade Building erected in 1880s stood at northwest corner of 7th and Houston, was center of civic activities, once served as postoffice, later was home of Continental National Bank. Site now

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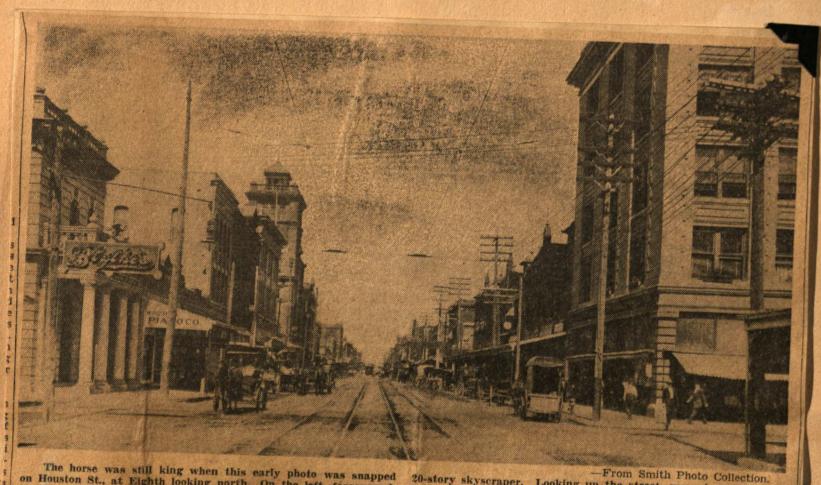
As Gas consumers are requested to report all irregularities in the supply of gas to Mr. Tabas D Miller, who will give the matter prompt attention.





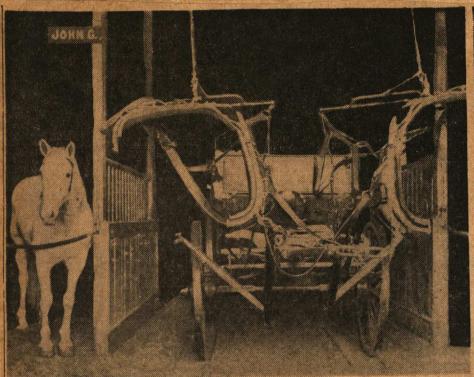
MOURNING BLACK—This is how the hearses of George L. Gause, pioneer undertaker and founder of

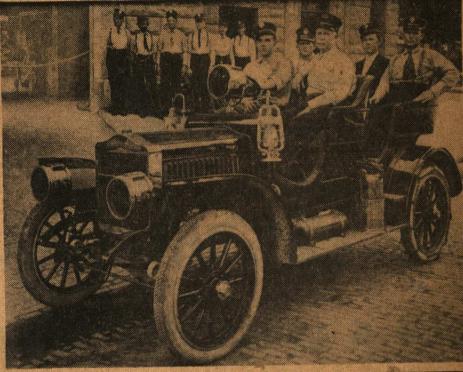
Gause-Ware Funeral Home, looked at the turn of the century. Hearse driver is unidentified.

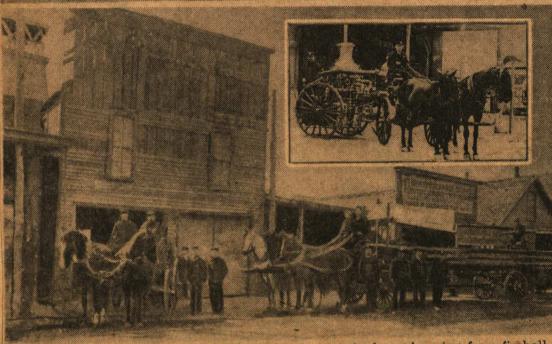


The horse was still king when this early photo was snapped on Houston St., at Eighth looking north. On the left, foreground, is a two-storied building which housed the old Waggoner Bank & Trust Co. The Continental National Bank is there today, in a

20-story skyscraper. Looking up the street, you miss many land-waggoner Bldg., the Criminal Courts Bldg. and Texas Electric's







WHEN FIREMEN GALLOPED—Upper left, harness is shown hanging from firehall ceiling, to which trained fire horses went automatically when alarm sounded. Upper right, first piece of motor equipment in fire department—an old Maxwell used as chief's car, with Assistant Chief Ferguson on right in front. Lower, Central Fire Station in 1200 block of Main in mid-80s with M. T. Johnson Hook and Ladder Company (with new equipment) on right and Peter Smith Hose Company on left. Inset, oldtime pumper called a "teakettle."

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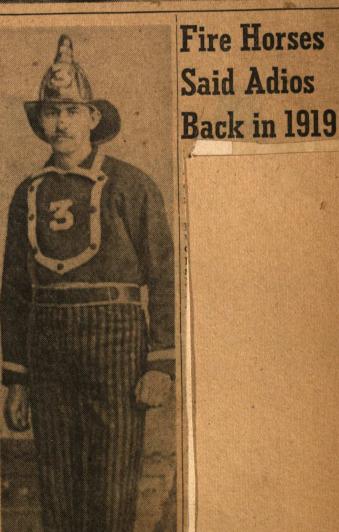
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MODERATE RATES.

1894





Non-Player Pioneered Standard Music in 1900

relatively oped musically that a serious and sustained orchestral effort is pro-moted by one who is not himself a player seeking an outlet for his talents. But the first orches-tra group in Fort Worth to devote itself to standard music was so sponsored.

This early music benefactor was J. S. Zane-Cetti, who also had other claims to civic remembrance for pioneer activities. He first arrived in Fort Worth in 1873 as a member of the engineering party which, under leadership of Gen. Grenvil M. Dodge, surveyed the Texas and Pacific Railway from Jones County to El Paso. County to El Paso.

His family name was Zane, the Cetti being added by him, honoring his step-father, of whom he was very fond. One early ancestor was a founder of Wiliamsburg, Va., and another of Zanes-ville, Ohio. The young Zane re-ceived his engineering training in Carlsruhe, Germany, where he spent five years.

Returns to Fort Worth.

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When the financial crash of 1873 put a stop to the westward progress of the railroad, Zane-Cetti returned to Fort Worth, seeing promise for the future in the straggling frontier post. He became the first official city engineer, and was one of the sanguine citizens who formed the Tarrant County Construction Company, which actually got the T&P into Fort Worth.

In 1874 he married Emmi-Amalia Hoeflein of Mannheim Germany, and brought her by

Germany, and brought her by stage coach to the edge of civillization. The residence of the young couple was at 9th and Calhoun, and with later additions remained the family residence until 1910, when the impressive brick mangion was asset pressive brick mansion was erect-ed at Peter Smith and Adams Streets. The old house, put to-gether with wooden pegs, remain-ed standing until 1941.

The family came along—daughters Emma Helen (now Mrs. W. H. Irwin), Marion Emily and Louise Madeleine and the son, Carl Hermann. Music was a part of their education, and partly to satisfy that need the father worked out a scheme to house an orchestra.

Bullding Constructs Building Constructs and

night for years the group met to play a while, perhaps dance a while and enjoy refreshments, laying off promptly at midnight.

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The moving spirit musically was C. D. Lusk, the town's protagonist for orchestra music in the standard field. Also the town's early player of the flute, he stood at the head of his little band of about 15 and directed with flute in hand, playing when things were easy and conducting when the going was rough.

Didn't Play.

Among that hardy group of players were Louise Zane-Cetti on violin, Jerry Rathfon and J. A. Ault on clarinet and David Ashley on cello. Marion Zane-Cetti took to singing, and was a member of the choir of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, when it was situated at Fifth and Rusk (Commerce). (Commerce).
Thus, though he did not play

an instrument himself, J. S. Zane-Cetti gave an important impetus to musical progress in impetus to musical progress in making available a convenient and hospitable place in which to rehearse. That, too, is important. From that pioneer group of enthusiasts sprang directly later organizations which culminated in the Fort Worth Symphony. Symphony.



J. S. ZANE-CETTI.



Where once was a dingy business district looking east at 10th and Houston, unrelieved by bright lights or attractive store fronts, where drowsy horses were hitched

Howard Peak, at 80, Still Trying to Straighten Record

tion books of

Howard W. Peak is 80 years old from which the city got its name.

today and he thinks it's a good But he was—and get this straight time to get a matter or two straight —the first and only boy born in the today and he thinks it's a good time to get a matter or two straight for posterity.

He was not the first white child born in Fort Worth. Nor was he the first white child born in Tarrant County. He was not even the first child born in the old fort

"Mr. Peak is very much annoyed at reports proclaiming him to

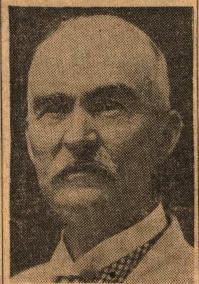
at reports . . . proclaiming him to be the first white child born in Fort Worth or in Tarrant County. He has been contradicting these statements for 40 years and naturally has become very sore over them.

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"He is very emphatic in having the facts known, which are these: While there were several boys as well as girls born in what is now Fort Worth, he was the only boy born in the old army post.

"He disclaims any honor attached to this even as he was in no way responsible for same."

Peak has made a hobby of Fort Worth history, has prepared 12



First boy—and the only one—born in the old fort from which Fort Worth got its name was Howard W. Peak (above), 2221 Wilshire Boulevard, who is 80 years old today. He disclaims emphatically the disclaims emphatically the discretion so often given him that claims emphatically are utility of the solution of being the first white child born in Tarrant County. The picture was taken a number of

scrapbooks whose contents deal principally with the town and the

The first one was made as The first one was made as a young man—"in my sentimental days." A daughter, Mrs. D. L.

Hill of El Paso, has been given this book. Now Peak is at work on one for Mrs. Hill's 8-year-old daughter, Mary.

Peak lives at 2221 Wilshire Boule-ward and will celebrate his high.

l, and will celebrate his birth-there quietly.

And it will be a happy birth-day if the populace can get straight for once the facts of his nativity.

THE NEW MILITARY DRILL

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* Transcontinental. (Texarkana, Sherman and Paris.)
North Bound— Arrive. Leave.
10. 32. Daily 8:30 am
South Bound— No. 32. Daily No. 31, Daily 6 16 pm

*Missouri, Kansas and Texas.
North Bound— Arrive. Leave.
Katy Flyer, daily. 7:35 am 8:05 am
No. 2, Daily 11:00 am 11:30 am
No. 4, Daily 10:55 pm 11:20 pm
South Bound—
No. 3, Daily 7:15 am 7:45 am
No. 1, Daily 5:05 pm 5:45 pm
Katy Flyer, daily. 8:25 pm 8:55 pm

* St. Louis Southwestern.

* Rock Island Route.

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Arrive. Leave.

Mo. River Local... 7:30 pm 8:30 am

Kam. City, Chicago,
Denver & Colorado Fast Express... 7:10 am 8:30 pm

*Fort Worth and Denver.

No. 1, Daily 8:45 am

No. 2, Daily 5:10 pm

No. 3, Daily 6:00 pm

No. 4, Daily 9:55

*Fort Worth and Rio Grande.

Arrive. Leave.

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*Red River, Texas and Southern.

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No. 41, Daily

No. 41, Daily

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12:05 pm

* Trains arrive and leave from Tex-

as and Pac. he Phs. anger Station, at the foot of Main street.

Trains arrive and leave from Union Depot (Sania re Station), rifteenth and Jones streets.

Leave St. Louis—

8:30 a. m..12:00 noon...8:06 p. m.
Leave Cincinnati— 2:30 p. m. 6:30 p. m. 8:30 a. m. Arrive Buffalo—
2:55 a. m. 6:18 a .m. 7:30 p. m. 2:55 p, m, 6:00 p. m. 8:00 a, m.

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THE HEIGHT OF COMFORT—IN 1906 . . .

Teddy Roosevelt was president, Edmund J. Davis was governor of Texas, and a couple of years earlier Spindletop had startled the world with its gushers as these cars filled up with

passengers during the 1906 State Fair of Texas. Note the sun curtains—up in the first car but drawn in the second—which were designed for passenger comfort during hot days.



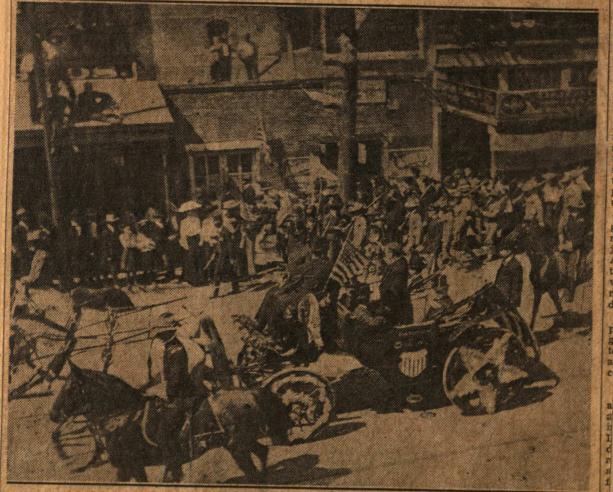
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... 50 YEARS LATER—TROLLEYS BOW OUT

Screetcars were about through here recently as one led a parade of new diesel buses down Main Street. One of the now defunct trolleys will go to a raffle winner to be named Jan. 23. The Dallas Transit Company, mean-

while, has invited the public to ride either of two streetcars running over the Oak Cliff viaduct from 1-4 p.m. Sunday—for free. Adults will even be allowed to operate it.

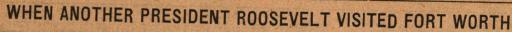
When Teddy Came to Fort Worth in 1905

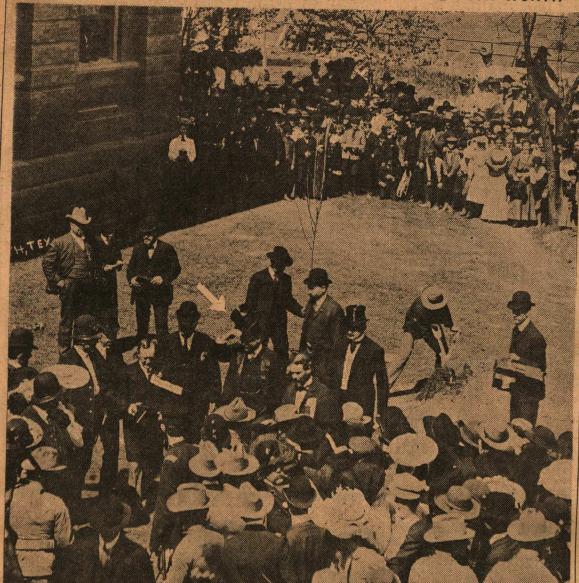


The procession of President Theodore Roosevelt down Main Street when he visited here in

1905 is shown. In the lead carriage with the President, who is standing and waving at the

crowd, are Mayor T. J. Powell, the late Sam Davidson, and the President's secretary, Mr. Loeb.





Thirty-one years ago, Fort Worth had the honor of entertaining another President Roosevelt, when the beloved Teddy visited the city on his tour of the Southwest. The old photograph above, with the arrow indicating the President, shows T. R. leaving the lawn of the Carnegie Public Library where he had just planted an

elm. The elm later died and another was planted in its place. The photograph was made by C. L. Swartz who had a shop at 702 Houston St. Date of the visit is inscribed on the picture as April 8, 1905. The picture is the property of A. H. McCarty, 815 West Cannon St.

HAILED 'TEDDY'; TO GUARD FDR

Detective Chief on Friday Will Attend 2nd President Roosevelt Here

A man who cleared the way for President Theodore Roosevelt

A man who cleared the way for President Theodore Roosevelt when the rough-riding chief executive visited Fort Worth in 1905 will play a major role in receiving another President Roosevelt here tomorrow.

Chief of Detectives Tom Jackson won't ride in the parade with Franklin Roosevelt as he did with Teddy Roosevelt, but he will direct a squad of plain-clothes officers assigned to guard every move of the President.

From his desk in the City Hall basement, Chief Jackson is completing plans for placing his men close by the President throughout his stay here.

Chief Jackson was a deputy sheriff when "T. R." came here in 1905. Astride a prancing steed, he rode ahead of the presidential surrey to keep back admiring crowds that lined Main Street for a close glimpse of the President.

Other members of the sheriff's

President.
Other members of the sheriff's staff who rode with Chief Jackson were Walter Prichard, former justice of the peace and now a practicing attorney; Oscar Deason, now of Wichita Falls; Ollie Buck, now of Indiana; Hamil Scott, now deceased; Ralph Purvis, now with the Santa Fe Raliroad claim department; Tom Wren, now with the Northern Texas Traction Co., and John Hoena, former sheriff.

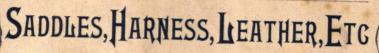
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Magnolia then was just prairie as was most of Henderson and South Main.

Mother used to watch me go to and come from the old Sixth Ward School in those days, for I merely crossed over open prairie. Who remembers Miss Sue Buchanan, and Macon Ellis and Carrie Belle Richardson, who used to teach the first, second and third grades at the old Sixth Ward? And the car barns that used to stand at Lipscomb and Daggett? And how we kids used to play pirate and hide and seek and every other sort of game in the old barns, much to the worry of Principal Harris?

In those days, back in the early nineties, I had two heroes in Fort Worth. One was John E. Homan, who was captain of the Fort Worth Fencibles, and the other was Ed Dunwoodle, who was captain of the Fort worth fencibles, and the other was Ed Dunwoodle, who was captain of the Fort worth fencibles and fire wagon clear across town only to find the fire out and forgotten before I came pantingly up to the scene, and many is the time that I have watched the Fencibles parade and envied Captain Homan and yowed to be a soldier myself some day. Do you remember when the Fort Worth Panthers played baseball down

Morth I knew will never be agan, but boy, we had the fin in those days, so much so that roaming down Memory Lane is yet a pleasure, and that's something more to be glad about. Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Martin are my parents of the remembers whe need to tand at the glad about. Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Martin are my parents of the remembers was no oct. 18, 1876. I was then 19 years old. I loaded with cotton on the Brazos River at Kimble, Bosque County, and as Fort Worth was the nearest market, I brought it here.

I sold my cotton to a Mr. Boaz on the weighing in a wire-fenced cotton yard where the McCord Building now stands. We put out teams in the Christian Brothers' wagon yard along about where Tenth and Main intersects now. I loaded with gro-teries at Joe Brown's wholesale groery on Houston at the square, to take it to Tom Willingham's general to the proper to the proper to the paren

WHAT DO YOU SEE
DOWN MEMORY LANE?

How long have you lived in
Fort Worth, or are your a former
citizen residing elsewhere? Do
the reminiscences agree with
yours or do they cause you to
remember other mind pictures of
the Fort Worth of yesterday?
Now in 1931, what are your
thoughts and impressions of the
Fort Worth you knew 10, 20, 30,
40 or more years ago? Set
them down and mail to Memory
Lane Editor, The Star-Telegram.
All letters should be signed.

Memory Lane Editor: My first memories of Fort Worth may have been
back in 1889 when I was born but they
are not sufficiently distinct to recount at the moment. However, I can
recall faintly the old mule car line
that passed our home on West Daggett
Avenue, and can remember when the
old track was taken up and the rails
for the electric line were put down,
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those days, and then you could rick
the street car around the Loop.
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trips to Fort Worth in the Winter of 1876 and the following year.

At that time there was nothing, not even a house, south of the T. & P. Railroad. The station was located east of the intersection of the M.-K.-T. and the T. & P., a small box house. The leading hotel at that time was the Pickwick, which stood where the Westbrook now stands.

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Pickwick, which stood where the Westbrook now stands.

There were no street cars of any kind here then, but it was a common at thing to see a wagon train go through the streets, pulled by six or eight yoke of oxen wih a trail wagon behind. Quite often they would be loaded with buffalo hides and meat.

In 1878 I came here to work. My first work was at a planing mill owned by a Mr. Dewey. After several months working there I left and started with the T. & P. on grade work. Our first location was on the cut that is now the Hill Street underpass. That was miles in the country then. The only place of amusement was Joe Lowe's Theater just across the street from the Pickwick Hotel, and Mye Saloon on the corner of Weatherford and Houston, then a corner of the square. In the Spring and Summer the town was full of cowboys. As board walks were the only kind here, you could hear spurs dragging on them any time of the day or night. I could go on indefinitely, but time and space does not allow that, so if this finds a way into your column, accredit it to me. I have been a resident here for 31 years, residing at our present address for 30 years.

N. J. WILLIAMS, 910 East Allen Avenue, Fort Worth



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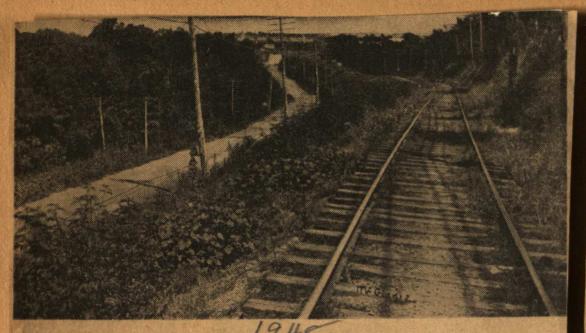


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The Dallas Pike on the hill just west of Riverside Drive as it was in interurban days when a dusty gravel road snaked through undeveloped country eastward beside the inter-city electric railway . . .

Tribute to the Iron Horse

Its Voice Has Changed but It Retains an Old Glamour

BY HAL BOYLE.

PASCAGOULA, Miss. 49.—To several generations of Americans the most romantic sound they heard in their growing years was the sound of a train whistle crying in the night.

It was a lonely sound, throbbing through the darkness, stirring youthful imaginations to dream of travel in far

To one who remembers that sound To one who remembers that sound well it seems a shame that a new generation of kids has grown up without knowing it. The raucous hoot of a diesel horn holds none of the magic of the old steam engine's cry, wailing across the prairies, echoing in the hills, sending little shivers up the spine of all who heard it and felt a desire to be aboard a train hurtling through the blackness to some place distant and new.

These are dire days for the railroad buffs, who feel that the greatness of the age of the iron horse is over. It was bad enough to see the passing of the steam engine. But now there are mutterings that the era of long-distance passenger travel by train is ending by train is ending.

You can now hear predictions—even among professional railroad men—that in another 25 years the Pullman conductor will be as out of date as the cigar store

Frankly, I don't believe it. And my hero of the week is A. E. Stoddard, president of the Union Pacific. In a full page ad in Newsweek magazine he answered those doom-criers with the statement that his railroad "has no intention of going out of the passenger business" and "more new equipment is on order."

The main reason I feel that the iron horse won't go the way of the stage coach or the Mississippi River steamboat—that

or the Mississippi River steamboat—that is, in its role as a passenger carrier—is because it really hasn't been outmoded.

The airplane, as a means of travel, is fast losing its original glamour and becoming just another efficient means of mass transportation. You can't beat it if you have to make a long journey in a hurry. You get there faster, but you're bored on the way, and you arrive tired. You don't have much to do but wonder what you are doing way up there in cloudland, higher even than an eagle flies. You have a deep-down uneasy feeling that only an angel belongs up there, and you know you're no angel.

But many times there is more to a trip than merely getting from one place to another. There is the excitement of going, the thrill of seeing new things along the way.

That is why the train far from losing

That is why the train, far from losing its glamour, is regaining it. It teaches you as you travel. You feel and see the

changes as you go.

Take a long trip by car today on our modern super highways and what happens? You see an endless ribbon of conpens? You see an endless ribbon of concrete before you, and very little else. You eat food almost as standardized as the gasoline your car consumes. The restaurants and filling stations look alike, and too often they serve the same menus—one for the car, one for you.

Take a long trip by air, and what happens? The dear face of America, seen from above, is a checkerboard that looks like a modernistic painting—if you can see the land at all. It is too patterned.

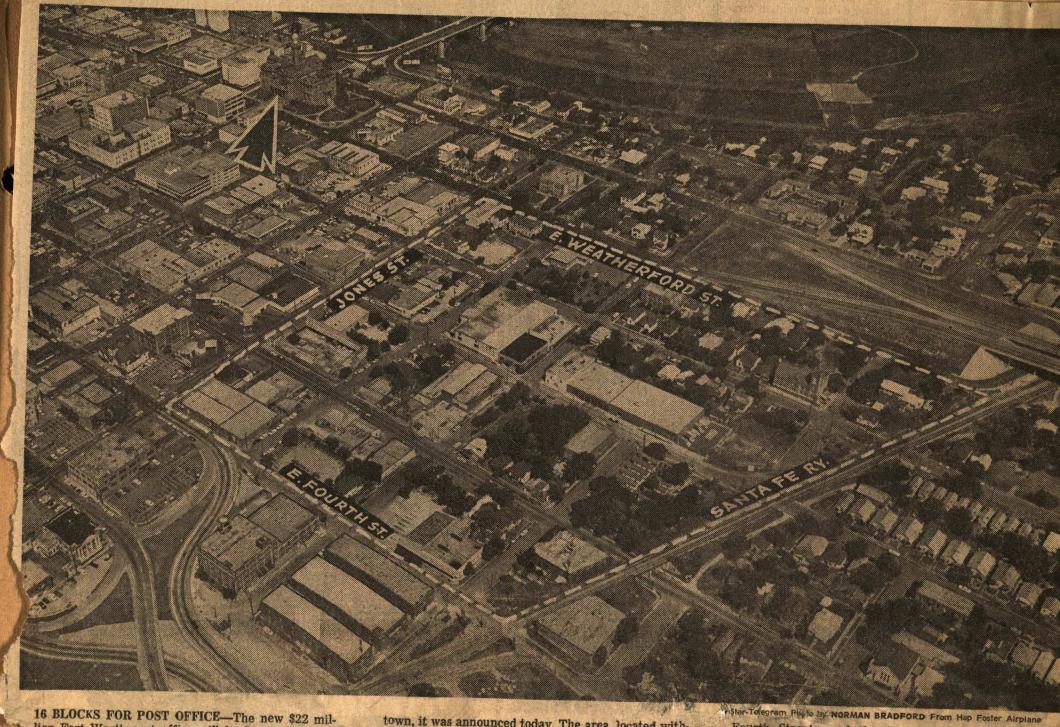
But take a long trip by train, and what happens? Well, I did that this week for the first time in many months. I rode here from New York in a special train carrying

guests of the SS Brasil, a new Moore-McCormack luxury liner, built to link this country closer with South America.

The trip took nearly 35 leisurely hours, but there wasn't a boring moment. The great panorama of America, the tremendous spectacle of varied faces and changing landscapes, rolled by outside the train window by day. window by day,

And at night, lying in my berth, I kept the shade up until after midnight, watching the small towns swim by . . the deep pine forests . . . the harvested fields . . . the isolated country churches with small spires gleaming in moonlight above the dreamless dead in their graveyards . . . the snow giving way to greenery, the bare bough to the palm tree and the hanging Spanish moss. Spanish moss.

It came to me that I hadn't really felt the impact of my native land in quite this mystic way for a long, long time, and as the wheels of the iron horse went clickety-click on the steel rails I had a grateful feeling.



16 BLOCKS FOR POST OFFICE—The new \$22 million Fort Worth post office will be located in a 16area in the northeast corner of down-

town, it was announced today. The area, located within walking distance of the County Courthouse (arrow), is bounded by Weatherford, Jones and E.

Fourth Streets, and the Santa Fe Railway tracks. The site covers 25.4 acres and construction should be completed by 1974.

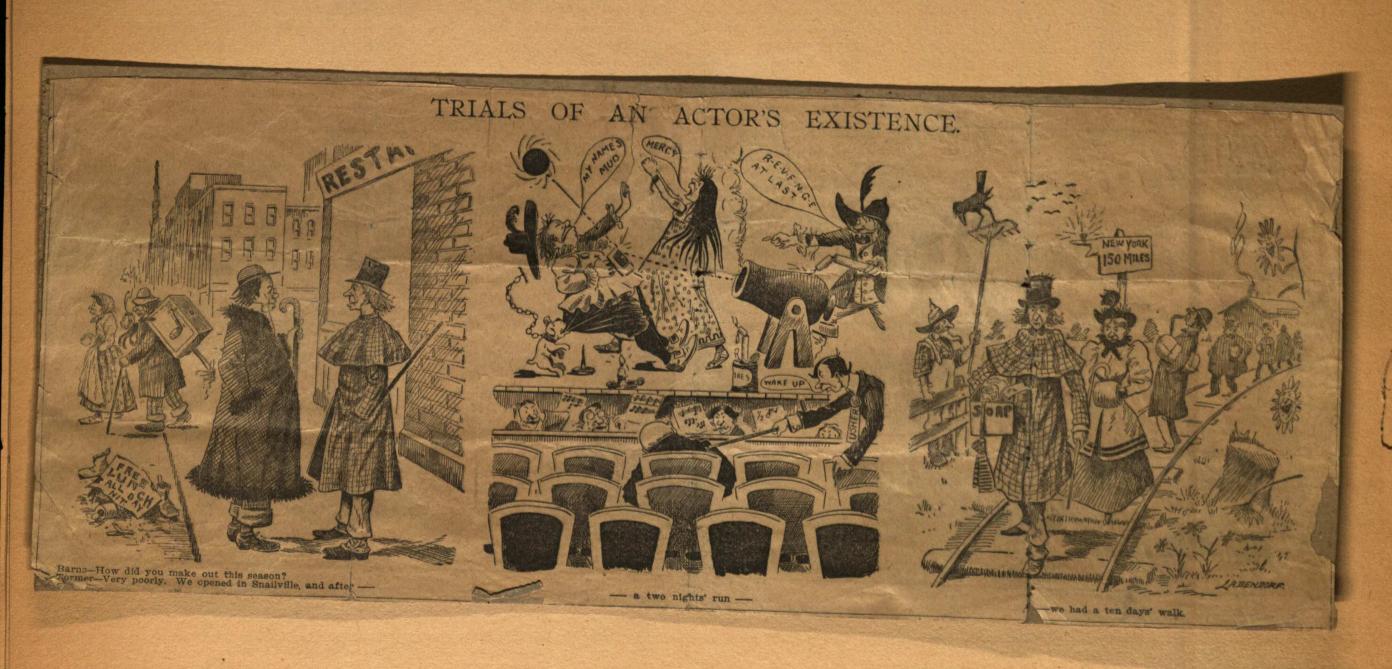
chants' lunch from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. | 512 Adams street. Phone 412.

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For bargains in Clothing, Boots, Shoes and Hats, and Gents' Furnishings, see me.

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1900



Arions Drew Applause 1899 to 1911

One of the most influential musical organizations at the turn of the century in Fort Worth and considered the best male chorus the city ever had, was the Arions, which existed from 1899 to 1911. The invitation to its first concert was printed on white satin in the shape of a magnolia leaf.

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Among the singers were L. L.
Higby, E. A. Belden, William H.
Irwin, Tom Slack, J. E. Fender,
R. W. Fender, L. H. Ducker, T.
Holt Hubbard and Oscar Seagle.
An Arion program of May 7,
1901, shows the group consisted
of 14 men. Six of the members
took turns as director.

Two Arions became nationally
known. Oscar Seagle was in
those days an evangelistic singer
of growing reputation. In 1901
he was the singer for a revival
at the Taylor Street Presbyterian Church.

Academy of Music.

Arion Kenneth M. Bradley
ran his Academy of Music at
Third and Houston from 1900
to 1904. His mother, Mrs. Anna
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Tan his Academy of Music at Third and Houston from 1900 to 1904. His mother, Mrs. Anna Bradley, taught piano at Add-Ran College in Thorp Spring in the 1880s. A recital of the academy in 1901 presented Kate Stripling, Irma Poindexter, Mrs. Leon Gross, T. Holt Hubbard, Annie Millican, Cecil Calhoun and Grace Potter.

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Bradley went from Fort Worth

Bradley went from Fort Worth to Chicago, where he was the founder of the long influential Bush Conservatory of Music. He was the first educational director of the Juilliard School of Music, New York.

Accompanist Yves Nat returned in 1914 as assisting pianist with Luisa Tetrazzini. He infuriated the madame by taking audience approval away from her. He was induced to locate in the city in 1914 as head of the piano department of Texas Woman's College. Trained in the Paris Conservatoire, he was considered the greatest pianist ever to sojourn in Fort Worth.

An active pianist and organist of the times was Mrs. F. L. Jaccard. Born in Rutland. Vt., she arrived in Fort Worth at midnight Sept. 21, 1891, and was called the next morning to take the organ at St. Paul's Methodist Church, their last Sunday at Ninth and Main.

The Town Basso.

Her brother, T. Holt Hubbard, another Arion, was long the town basso.

While Mrs. Jaccard was at St.

while Mrs. Jaccard was at St. Paul's, the choir was taken over in 1904 by Rollin Pease, who had arrived to teach at Fort Worth University. With a bassbaritone voice, he became nationally known as an oratorio

singer,
An especially able church quartet came on about 1910 at First Presbyterian Church, then at Fourth and Calhoun, Members were Pearl Calhoun, Mrs. T. Holt Hubbard, Hubbard and William A. Jones. The organist, who was with the church for who was with the church for who was William J. Marsh.

"...WEST BEGINS"

Casa Manana Gained Fame As Show Spot

BY ELSTON BROOKS.
At 3:30 p. m. on July 18, 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who was fishing off the coast of Main, touched a button that sent an electrical impulse to Fort Worth and cut a lariat streached across the entrance of the Frontier Centennial grounds.

When the lariat fell Mr. and Mrs. Fort Worth joined hands with Texans all over the state and walked underneath a sign that read "Where the West Be-

Inside they found themselves on Sunset Trail, main intersection of never-to-be-forgotten summer days and nights.

Biggest attraction was "Casa Manana" where Everett Marshall stood on the world's biggest re-volving stage and let 336 rollers turn him towards an audience that was hearing "The Night Is Young and You're So Beautiful" for the first time.

The gigantic show, produced by Billy Rose, John Murray An-derson and others, featured, in addition to Casa Manana, the wild and wooly Last Frontier; Pioneer Palace, where old vau-Pioneer Palace, where out vaudeville acts lived again over a mirrored bar; mighty "Jumbo"; Sally Rand's fan dances; Paul Whiteman's music; the Borger beauty, Faye Cotton, and other hit tunes such as "Lone Star," "Another Mile," and "A Little Old Cowtown."

The show closed that fall, but

popular demand brought it back on June 26, 1937.

At 5 p. m. that day President Roosevelt again pressed a button —this time from aboard the U.S.S. Potomac—and another lariat was severed, making Fort Worth the nation's fun spot for

"Melody Lane" was an attraction that year, utilizing the talents of eight famed song com-

On July 29, 1938, the show was back for a third time, ti-tled "Casa Manana Varieties of 1938." It starred Wayne King, Morton Downey, Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, and other star-studded acts.

The fourth annual show was presented under the stars on July 21, 1939, and ran for six weeks and four days. Stars that year were Kenny Baker, Abe Lyman, Ray Noble, Martha Raye, Ray Bolger, Frances Langford, Bob Burns and Eddie Cantor.

Bob Burns and Eddie Cantor.

An ice skating revue was staged, and officials were so heartened by the response they were thinking of plans for a permanent Casa Manana to be presented each summer.

But somehow the revue of 1940 never materialized, the buildings were razed, and on

buildings were razed, and on Jan. 15, 1943, the official "ax" was given to the "show of

Stagehands

Editor The Billboard:

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In a recent issue of The Billboard some gentleman wrote a most vehement charge against the stagehands in answer to Mr. Houtain's article of a few weeks ago. This gentleman shows by his letter that he must be very prejudiced against stagehands since he lays the blame for a nation-wide disturbance to one body of individuals which really had a very small part in the matter.

I am not a stagehand, but I believe in sportsmanship in all endeavors. But let us go into the subject a little further and see if there isn't something wrong other than the IATSE. I cannot see why, when anything goes wrong with show business, the first cause they lay it to is the stagehands. They are never seen by the general public; are never given any applause; are looked down upon by the profession which they serve and upon by the profession which they serve and yet they are the most essential thing in the theater, for without them there would be no theater. Because some locals have shown indiscretion and have failed to answer the purpose for which they were instituted is no reason that all locals are the same way. Such logic is false and cannot be followed by logical minds.

Since the gentleman chooses dramatic stock as the object of his assault let us look into this branch of the theater. I have seen many instances where stock managers have been very lax in their duties and because of their laxities have ruined a perfectly good stock location. Then there is the selection of programs to be considered, and here we come to our first back breaker. Some of the productions the stock companies are offering have more to do with the decline of business than any other two reasons, and this can be proved by the number of permanent companies in the country. It is a crying shame the way managers take advantage of the situation and force worthless programs upon their public. The second big fault is the selection of artists and their ability to give a performance. An artist cannot come off selection of artists and their ability to give a performance. An artist cannot come off a tent show and expect to have the finish of a legitimate artist. Believe me there are many drawing salaries who do not deserve them. Then, too, there are the favorite role stars—and what a sad lot! I have seen more bills ruined thru this very prevalent fault than any other reason! I have yet discovered. The classics have suffered most thru profane hands because some artist thinks he is a Mansfield or a Booth. You cannot lay the blame entirely on the stagehands when other facts show themselves so clearly. Mt. Clemens, Mich. CARLE JENKINS.

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To anyone who has studied the stock situation it is obvious that all the blame cannot be placed on the stagehands. On the other hand, we do not entirely agree with the other observations made by Mr. Jenkins. For instance, we must say that we do not look upon the stagehands as the most essential thing in the theater, and there are several departments that we would give prior c oice. Choice of bills is a serious problem, but it must be recognized that the stock manager is handicapped thru the weakness of the system thru which play rights are bartered.—ED.



-Star-Telegram Photo

SUPER SALESMAN - Star-Telegram Publisher Amon Carter Jr., right, dropped by Monroe Odom's corner Friday to pin a diamond service pin on Odom's lapel. Odom has sold the Star-Telegram on downtown streets for more than 50 years.

MONROE ODOM

No. 1 S-T Salesman Earns Diamond Pin

For more than 50 years Monroe Odom has been the premier salesman of Star-Telegram headlines.

Friday, Publisher Amon Carter Jr. placed a diamond pin in Monroe's lapel to recognize those years.

"It's a pleasure, Mr. Cart-er," Monroe said. "Your father taught me always to be pleasant and nice to every-

Monroe is that.

But behind that cherubic countenance and the soft blue eyes there is a man determined to sell you a newspa-

Monroe is, perhaps, one of the few newspaper salesmen ever to sell a paper to a reporter as the reporter left the

newspaper office.

It is the quiet demeanor that is Monroe.

Monroe is 63. He began selling the Star-Telegram, he remembers, when he was 5.

For 42 years the area in front of the Worth Hotel at 7th and Taylor streets has been his domain.

He has seen some of the big headline makers of half a century stride past his corner.

Will Rogers was one of them.

There were presidents and governors.

Monroe was always glad to see them. He sold them news-

"Don't forget my friend, Mr. Eisenhower," Monroe recalled. "I sold him newspapers three times at the Fort Worth Club."

Monroe is a man who can appreciate a good headline.

"Headlines sell the pa-

pers," observed Monroe.

The headline he most easily remembers told of the assassination of President Kenne-

"We couldn't keep enough papers," Monroe said.

Other headlines Monroe sold told of World War I, of Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow.

Carter told Monroe he hoped Monroe would be at 7th and Taylor another 50 years. "I'll be here as long as my health holds out," Monroe

said.

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MONROE ODOM

Salesman For S-T Honored

Monroe Odom received a diamond pin yesterday in recognition of more than 50 years

as a Star-Telegram salesman. Publisher Amon Carter Jr. placed the pin on Monroe's lapel yesterday when the salesman was honored.

"It's a pleasure, Mr. Carter," Monroe said. "Your father taught me always to be pleasant and nice to everyone."

MONROE, 63, recalls that he began selling the Star-Telegram when he was 5.

For 42 years, he has shouted the headlines from his place in front of the Worth Hote! at 7th and Taylor Streets.

He remembers many of the big headline makers of half a century who have passed his

Rogers was among them. There were presidents and governors.

MONROE NEVER fails to be a salesman. He sold newspapers to the headline makers and to newspaper reporters as they left the office.

Monroe appreciates a good headline. "Headlines sell the papers," he observed.

