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## OKLAHOMA STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

REVIEW OF EVENTS IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

### \$24,000,000 ELECTRIC LINE

To Build Between Muskogee, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Okmulgee and Muskogee and to Elevate in Cities.

Muskogee.—A \$24,000,000 electric railroad, connecting Muskogee with Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Okmulgee and Henryetta soon may be a reality.

R. D. "Dick" Long now is laying plans with the ultimate view of constructing the line. Will be financed by eastern capitalists.

"I already have spent \$124,000 in having a survey of the railroad done," he said as he unfolded a lengthy blue print which showed every inch of the ground over which the proposed railroad would be built.

"This was started in 1917, but the war caused us to lay it aside until now."

Mr. Long's idea and the one he has been dealing out to the capitalists in the east for the past three weeks is that of making it possible to get from Muskogee to Oklahoma City in six hours, to Tulsa in an hour and a half and to Okmulgee in 15 minutes.

The plant supplying the power for the entire road will be built in the center of the Henryetta coal mines. Elevated track will be used to get the trains in and out of the cities in order to avoid any possible delays caused by traffic.

The transmission line will follow the M. K. & T. railroad from Muskogee to Tulsa, Tulsa to Oklahoma City and with a branch line from Muskogee through Okmulgee to Oklahoma City.

Because the railroad would open up a large trade territory now unavailable because of lack of railroad facilities, build up new agricultural land and widen the trade territories of all the cities touched, the former manager of the Muskogee Electric Traction company believes his plans will materialize.

Engineers in the east estimate the cost of the project at \$24,000,000.

"Some of the bankers will come to Muskogee and look the proposition over soon. They are impressed with the idea and I feel that the line has been assured," said Mr. Long.

### TICK QUARANTINE LIFTED

Eradication Work Getting Quick Results, Declare Officials.

Washington.—Atoka and Bryan counties, the remainder of Latimer and Sequoyah and a portion of LeFlore and Choctaw counties in Oklahoma have been released from quarantine for the cattle fever tick, under an order signed by Secretary E. T. Meredith of the department of agriculture. The ruling becomes effective December 1.

Failure of county authorities to cooperate with state and federal officials in "mopping up" work is given by Meredith as being responsible for many districts still being held under quarantine that would otherwise be released.

Revised quarantine figures, the statement says, show that work against the cattle tick generally is progressing successfully and it is expected that by next year, through better co-operation a more substantial area will be freed from quarantine.

### METHODIST PAPER SOON

Muskogee Man Heads Oklahoma Conference For 1920.

Muskogee.—Representatives of the east and west Oklahoma conferences of the Southern Methodist church meeting with Bishop Edwin Dubose Mouzon of Dallas, Texas, definitely decided to publish a weekly church paper to be known as the Oklahoma Methodist.

Producers Discuss Gas Saving, Bartlesville.—Gas producers and attorneys and representatives of the Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Pennsylvania public utilities corporations met at the United States Oil and Gas experiment station here to discuss with Dr. F. G. Cottrell, director of the bureau of mines, the most effective means of conserving the nat-

### Oldest Odd Fellow Dies.

Custer City, William Jefferson Wilson, 91 years old, reputed to be Oklahoma's oldest Odd Fellow, both in point of age and membership in the order, has died at the I. O. O. F. home for aged and dependent members, at Cleetohah, according to word received.

### Miami to Advertise for Bids.

Miami.—The city council of Miami has authorized the city clerk to advertise immediately for bids on a sewage disposal plant which will be erected at a cost of about \$100,000. Bonds for the improvement were issued some time ago.

### Rains Damage Tahlequah Crops.

Tahlequah.—Continual rainfall is causing considerable damage to corn and cotton. Cloudy weather has prevailed for some days.

### DEER SUPPLY THREATENED

Range Survey Shows Many Acres of Grazing Land Going to Waste.

Fonca City.—Farmers everywhere are being urged by livestock associations, packing corporations and other organizations to hold onto and feed a few cattle at least during the coming winter. This plea is issued because of the shortage in the beef supply, brought about by so many cattlemen and feeders in particular going out of the business.

One livestock man, who has recently completed a tour of the old time cattle country of western Kansas and Oklahoma, declares the condition is serious. In an area where in former years there were thousands of cattle, there are now but a few, although grass was never better and range conditions in general never more ideal.

Survey of the range country in Oklahoma, which was made recently by the livestock representative, showed that there are thousands of acres of excellent grass upon which no cattle are feeding.

It is maintained also that together with the present movement on foot to hold crops for a greater price, particularly corn, the other movement to feed cattle could be taken on easily and in this manner at least a portion of the corn could be sold on the hoof.

In this particular locality the only range left is in the western Osage. It is said, however, that practically every cattlemen in the district lost money this year.

### M'Alister Bids for Soldiers' Hospital.

M'Alister.—Starting out with the same vim and determination which has brought several other enterprises to this city, "live" members of the chamber of commerce initiated steps looking to the location in this city of the \$500,000 hospital which it is proposed by the state and United States government to erect some place in Oklahoma to care for this state's sick and disabled soldiers.

### Pawhuska Plans New Hospital.

Pawhuska.—A committee has been appointed to confer with the city government on plans for a hospital with instructions not to report back to the board of directors until ways and means are devised to complete the work. The city has at its disposal \$35,000, and the site.

### Pawhuska May Purchase Motor Car.

Pawhuska.—Negotiations are in progress to lease a motor car from the Midland Valley railroad, capable of carrying one hundred passengers between Pawhuska and Nelagony to act the M. K. & T. trains.

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### States New Guard Quota.

Oklahoma's national guard appropriation is to be increased to 8,000 men by June 30, 1924. Adjutant General Barrett said in discussing the conference of adjutant general of the eighth army corps area which he attended at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

"Oklahoma's final share of troops in the corps will be the following: one infantry division headquarters, one infantry brigade headquarters, one artillery brigade headquarters, two regiments of infantry, one regiment of light artillery, one regiment of heavy artillery, one artillery brigade ammunition train, a medical regiment headquarters, a sanitary company, an ambulance battalion, a hospital battalion, an air service observation squadron, a quartermaster corps truck company, a military police battalion, a division military police company, a division train complete, and other division headquarters companies and detachments.

"There are 2,675 men and 115 officers in the Oklahoma national guard now, with the requirement that the number be raised to 3,000 by next July, 4,500 by July 1922, 6,750 by July, 1923, and the maximum of 8,000 by July, 1924. There will be no cavalry or engineer units in the Oklahoma guard."

### Farm Products Not Tax Exempt.

Farm products in the raw state are not to be exempted from ad valorem tax in accordance with the act of the legislature in 1915 making such exemption, according to the opinion of the supreme court holding the act unconstitutional. The case was appealed from the district court of Grady county, which held that the statute was constitutional. The controversy was started on the question of assessments of the Chichasha Cotton Oil company and the Chichasha Milling company, which attempted to avoid payment for raw materials in storage.

The constitution does not exempt raw products from taxation, and the legislature is without authority to make such exemption, according to the opinion.

The statute provides, "that no farm products while remaining in the raw state, such as cotton, corn, wheat, oats and the like, shall be subject to ad valorem tax, but be subject to the income tax laws of the state."

The statute is unconstitutional, according to the opinion by Justice Higgins, "for the reason that the legislature in exempting from ad valorem taxation, failed to substitute another form of taxation by which all the property exempted would be taxed."



### MICKIE SAYS

BUH-LEAVE ME! IF WE'D GET UP SOME OF THIS COPY JEST LIKE IT COMES IN, WITHOUT MAKIN' NO CORRECTIONS NER NUTHIN', SOME OF THE INTELLECTUAL LIGHTS AROUND THIS HERE NECK O' THE WOORS'D LOSE THEIR REPUTATIONS FER BEIN' EDDICATED!



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## A Prayer of Thanksgiving

By LEWIS ALLEN

THAT we can see round about us the faces of friends; the deservings that we may help them; the needy, that we may render aid; and little children, that we may rejoice;

THAT we can hear the kind words of loving friends, the sweet songs in church and home, the prayers of devout people, and the crooning of a Mother's lullaby;

THAT we can feel loving hands in ours, trusting hands of little children, comforting hands upon our throbbing brow; that we can feel the warm embrace of the old folks who receive us at the homestead, or of our own who, dwelling apart from us, have come back this day;

THAT we can taste the savory good things, which, by God's bounty, are this day set before us through the miracle of Nature, which is God;

THAT we can speak to give sincere thanks to him who, in his great goodness, has permitted us to meet once more on this day of Thanksgiving; that we can speak hope and encouragement to our loved ones; words of comfort to the suffering and the discouraged and the lowly, words of hope and cheer and promise to those who have fallen by the way;

THAT we can pray with a knowledge that the prayers of the sincere are answered, that he to whom we offer our prayers is full of loving kindness and pity and forgiveness, and that his help is assured;

TRULY, all these things are God's gifts, and without them there could be no Thanksgiving. Teach us to appreciate them for thine own Glory. AMEN!

## Near East Situation Now "Most Desperate in World," Says Hoover.



Herbert Hoover, who has now become a member of the Executive Committee of Near East Relief, which is raising nearly \$1,000,000 Armenian and Syrian refugees and who, if any one speaks with authority when he tells of human suffering, says in a formal statement:

"In my opinion, the situation in the Near East is the most desperate in the world."

Mr. Hoover has sent a letter to Cleveland H. Dodge, treasurer of Near East Relief, 1 Madison avenue, New York, in which he says:

"In accepting your invitation to become a member of the Executive Committee of the Near East committee, I do so with reluctance, but out of a sense of duty towards one of the most difficult situations in Europe. Until some political settlement can be obtained for the Near East and some government established in responsibility for the care and repatriation of the Armenian population in the Caucasus, this mass of people must live miserably by the charity of the United States. There are in the Caucasus approximately 1,800,000 Armenians, of whom 800,000 are entirely destitute—refugees from Turkey—and amongst them a tremendous mass of children.

"I cannot too strongly urge upon the members of the committee and their supporters the critical necessity of concentrating every possible effort to support Colonel Haskell's administration in the amounts that he requires; otherwise we shall witness one of the greatest tragedies of the entire war."