

Bandit Turns Preacher



VERA BELL.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 11.—A few months ago a "bandit" today a "soldier of the cross." Vera Bell is going straight now—and helping other girls do the same. She has seen a lot of life in her 17 years. Born and reared in the little village of Harrisburg, Ark., her father

sheiks, who used to drop in every night for a late lunch. The boys obligingly agreed to take them home in their sedan.

Instead of heading for Arkansas, the accommodating youths drove toward the Mexican border. But the girls didn't mind.

In Laredo, on the Rio Grande, life was a continuous round of joy until the cash ran out.

Then the boys decided to rob a store. Vera and Verna stood guard while their heroes did the work.

In Hondo, a constable caught them at another job. All went to jail. And then the girls learned that the car had been stolen, too.

They were returned to Houston. Thirty-seven days in jail awoke the sisters' slumbering consciences. The boys went to prison, but the girls were released.

Vera and Verna were cared for by the Volunteers of America, and later sent to the volunteers' home for girls in San Antonio. There Vera decided to enlist in the volunteers.

Today, she is preaching in the streets of San Antonio.

NEW CHAIRMAN IS
F. S. A. McMULLIN

Civic Power Commission
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At the meeting of the Civic Power Commission held yesterday afternoon F. S. A. McMullin was elected chairman in succession to R. A. McAvity, who resigned a few weeks ago after having held the position of chairman of the commission since it was appointed in December, 1922.

The report of the engineer on the extension to the Isolation Hospital was read. It stated the capital cost would be \$8,338.51, the upkeep charge would be \$880.10 and the revenue \$376.80, leaving a deficit of \$3,841.81 on the operation. There could be 14 customers obtained on the line and the service charge to the Isolation Hospital would be \$6 per month. It was decided to have a canvass made of the district before taking the matter up with the Board of Health.

The recommendation of the engineer that the New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd. be offered the use of the hydro poles in Brunswick Place to carry their telephone wires was adopted.

The bill of Price, Waterhouse & Co. of \$2,497.25 for the audit of the books and accounts of the Civic Power Commission was certified correct and sent to the Common Council for payment.

Those present at the meeting were A. M. Rowan, F. S. A. McMullin, John

N. Flood and Commissioner W. L. Harding.

GARDENS ON SKY-SCRAPERS.

New York, long noted for its roof gardens, where joy, jazz and poor jokes reigned supreme, is now going in for

another kind of roof garden. If you will get up the top of one of the tallest buildings and look around below you will see innumerable little green spots where roofs have been turned into flower gardens and truck patches. Rooftops have for a long time been thought to be solely for the purpose of

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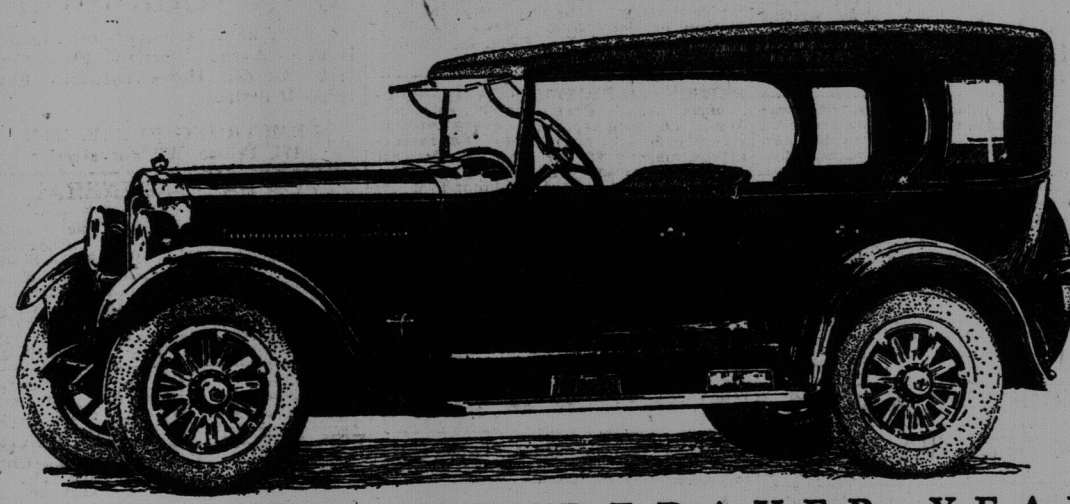
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