

MEMBERS ARE RESOLVED ON ISSUE OF KLAN

COURTROOM, Austin, Jan. 12.—(P)—Questions about Ku Klux Klan membership were ruled accessible in selecting a jury in the Norris murder trial as the tenth and eleventh jurors were selected here today.

The tenth juror is T. H. Tunney, city light plant employe, aged 45, making the second juror this morning. The eleventh is Lee H. Caldwell, 40, an automobile salesman. The defense made strenuous objection to further questions by the state as to whether prospective jurors were Klansmen, Dayton Moses stated that Dr. Norris, the defendant, "was not now and never has been a member of the Klan." He asked the judge to rule that the state could not ask this question any more in the trial. He said it would be unfair to bring in the Klan issue.

Attorney Jesse Martin, Tarrant county district attorney, demanded that Attorney Moses make his statement under oath, but Judge James W. Hendon refused. He said the Klan questions were proper. Other Jurors Nine jurors had been selected at 11 a. m. today to try Dr. J. Frank Norris, Baptist fundamentalist, for the slaying of Dexter E. Chipps of Fort Worth. Attorney believed they would have the jury completed by early afternoon.

The ninth juror is T. J. Cunningham, a Travis county farmer, who owns his own place, is married, and has read one of Dr. Norris' sermons on marriage and divorce. The other eight jurors are: W. D. Miller, former sheriff; C. J. Brown, laborer; O. D. Moore, laborer; Walter Johnson, dairyman; J. H. Hill, retired; C. A. Galbreath, farmer; K. King, blacksmith; and G. V. Potter, machinist.

Thus far, three veniremen who said that they had been members of the Ku Klux Klan and one Catholic, have been excused. Attorneys believed testimony would start not later than tomorrow and that the prosecution's preliminary evidence would be brief.

Mrs. D. E. Chipps, divorced wife of the slain man, sat beside her 11-year-old son as court opened. She had been absent Monday morning. Her dress today had been changed from one of complete mourning to a lavender hat with purple ribbon band and a black dress with white lace collar. She had a bouquet of violets on her coat.

John H. McCoy, who testified that he was reluctant to tell whether he was a member of any secret society, "A man doesn't have to tell that," McCoy asked his question. District Attorney Jesse Martin of Tarrant county, Martin assured McCoy he was not trying to embarrass him, but that he desired an answer in order to get at the venireman's mental attitude.

"Well, I belonged to the Ku Klux Klan two years ago," McCoy said. "I was a member one year and voluntarily dropped out." The prosecution attorneys then went into the huddle system for signals, conferring with their heads together. They then turned McCoy over to the defense.

Third Klunker McCoy was the third out of more than 70 veniremen examined to date that he had been a member of the Ku Klux Klan. The other two former klansmen were not taken as jurors.

Attorney Dayton Moses, defense attorney, told the venireman that "if the defendant is guilty of murder he ought to be convicted and the state is entitled to a conviction, but if we can show self-defense we are entitled to an acquittal." "Do you understand that to be true?" McCoy answered, "but I am somewhat opposed to the death penalty."

The state accepted him, but defense promptly exercised a peremptory challenge to dismiss him. The next three veniremen were dismissed for having opinions. Farmer Accepted T. J. Cunningham, a farmer, was called and said on December 24, he received a copy of the Searchlight, Norris' church paper, and read therein a Norris sermon on marriage and divorce, but didn't recall whether the sermon mentioned the Chipps killing. He received his summons for jury service December 23.

Attorney Sam Sayers, for the state, asked whether he had seen any strangers about the place "on the pretext of hunting," who had attempted to discuss the case with him. Cunningham said he had not talked to anyone about the case. Cunningham was accepted as the ninth juror. He is 41 and has been married three times, his first two wives having died. W. M. Hudson, who said he was over sixty, claimed exemption from jury duty because he had a cold and the judge excused him. W. L. Morris, street car conductor, said he had picked up a Searchlight in his yard and read it. He is a member of the Baptist church. When asked by Attorney Sam Sayers whether he was a member of a secret society, Morris turned to the judge and asked:

RURAL CITIZENS ARE HAPPY WITH PROSPECT FOR BIG GRAIN YIELD

The usual large crowd of rural citizens were seen in Brownwood Saturday, many of them coming to pay current taxes, others to shop during the January clearance sales, and others to bring farm products to the markets here.

From all parts of the county there were reports of good conditions and fine prospects for the year's agricultural undertakings. Grain crops are doing well, the sunshine of the past two weeks having been just what was needed for growth of the grain. There is good grazing all over the county now, and the preparation of the soil for spring planting has made good headway.

Joe Taylor and wife of Chappel Hill brought a report of fine conditions in their community. C. A. Cavell of McDaniel, with Ben Garnea and family of the same community, brought reports of fine grain crops in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meichinger of Anderson were here on their regular weekly trip. Mr. Meichinger had planned to kill hogs today. T. J. Williams, one of the prosperous Brown county farmers, called on Tax Collector Butler and attended to other business here. Hy Barkin of May said conditions are very fine in and around May.

Eugene Williams of Bangs and D. K. Woodbridge of Indian Creek were attending to business here during the day. Lester Parks of May was here to attend to business matters.

C. A. Skipping was a visitor from Zephyr, saying he had no complaint to make except that it is tax paying time. H. H. Price of Blanket was here on business. Mrs. W. D. Newton of Byrds was here to pay taxes and shop.

Woodie Brabeale and T. L. Smith of Zephyr were attending to business here Saturday. Mrs. S. S. Cole and A. L. Cole of Bangs were among the many visitors here.

R. W. Boren of Byrds reported that everything is in good shape in his section of the county. Mrs. A. Baucum of Cross Cut said oil activity is continuing there and that farm conditions are fine.

Mrs. L. M. Hary of the Owens community attended to business matters and stopped during the day. W. W. King of Blanket was attending to business here Saturday. Miss Susie McInnis of Owens was in town to attend to some business matters.

Mrs. E. S. Smith of Rising Star came in to pay taxes. W. E. Metcalf of May was a business visitor here. T. J. Bailey of Rising Star was here to pay taxes on Brown county property.

Wilmer Byler of Bangs was greeting friends here Saturday. Mrs. E. C. Dees of Brooksmith came in to pay taxes and attend to other business.

George Cox of Bangs was doing some shopping here Saturday. Ralph Wright of Grosvenor brought an optimistic report of conditions in his community. J. E. Alford and Noah McLaughy of Bangs were here on business.

N. B. Graham of Jenkins Springs community made one of his regular trips to town Saturday. George R. Seward of McDaniel came here to talk oil with his friends. Jack Guyer from the Clear Creek community was here to attend to some business matters.

T. J. Ray of McDaniel said he is expected to witness considerable oil development in his community in the next few weeks.

AUSTIN, Jan. 13.—(P)—While the House of Representatives was idle Thursday forenoon, Speaker R. L. Bobbitt was figuratively up to his neck in work. The speaker was confronted with the task of selecting his 12 standing committees and a clerk for each of the twelve out of the 188 applications.

A committee list night worked until 10 o'clock informally testing the ability of the clerk applicants so as to make recommendations to the speaker and relieve him of some of the burden. The standing committees yet to be announced already have 26 bills referred to them, with more in prospect when the third day's House session got under way at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Jan. 13.—(P)—Following a three-quarter inch rain in Wichita Falls Wednesday and Wednesday night, a 29 degree drop in temperature during the night brought the mercury to 23 degrees with severe cold weather in the Texas Panhandle and Oklahoma.

MOODY DENIES APPOINTMENTS ALREADY MADE

AUSTIN, Jan. 13.—(P)—Dan Moody, governor-elect, declared he would not decide on his highway commission appointments until after the Ferguson appointees are disposed of by the Senate. "The current rumors that I am pledged or obligated to appoint this man or that man or the other man to membership on the highway commission, so persistently circulated by some who desire the continuation of the Ferguson appointees, are utterly without foundation," Moody said.

Executive session of the Senate for consideration of Governor Ferguson's appointees will be held at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The Senate recessed at 11 o'clock and in the meantime the nomination committee will meet and make its report in the executive session.

Uncontrollable Temper Alleged in Divorce Suit

ATLANTA, Georgia, Jan. 13.—(P)—John C. Candler, son of Bishop Warren A. Candler, senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, filed suit for divorce in Dekalb county against his estranged wife, Mrs. Henrietta Hammond Candler. He alleges in his petition that she is a believer in "what is commonly known as free love," and that she possesses an uncontrollable temper.

Mr. Candler asks for the custody of their two children, Adelaide Martin, 16, and Florrie George, 13. The couple were married in April, 1910 at Baltimore and separated in November, 1925.

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTEES TO BE DENIED

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 13.—(P)—The Senate committee on governor's nominations Thursday afternoon will recommend that Eugene Smith of San Antonio, Scott Woodward of Fort Worth and George Robertson of Meridian be not confirmed as highway commissioners. This decision was reached in executive session. Minor recess appointees of Governor Ferguson will be confirmed. The highway commissioners are rejected by the Senate it is not believed that Governor Ferguson will send in other appointments, thus leaving the field clear for appointees of Governor-elect Dan Moody.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR MUSEUM PROPOSED FOR UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, Jan. 13.—(P)—Erection of a \$500,000 state museum at Texas University is sought in one of the 14 bills introduced in the Senate today. Senator T. J. Holbrook of Galveston submitted the measure providing for the protection of the museum as a memorial to Texas heroes. Appropriations of \$15,000 to plan the structure and a total of \$125,000 for maintaining it for 1928 and 1929 were provided.

Holbrook introduced an amendment to the state inheritance tax laws, exempting from inheritance taxes all bequests to religious, charitable or educational institutions to be used within the state and releasing beneficiaries from taxes which have heretofore accrued.

Two bills designed to validate county road bonds in Duval county, written by Archie Parr of Benavides, were finally passed. J. W. Reed, Canyon, proposed reorganization of the 31st judicial district to include Roberts, Gray, Wheeler, Ochiltree, Lipscomb and Hemphill counties and the creation of the 10th judicial district to include Carson, Hansford and Hutchinson counties.

Police Department Says Autos Better Get New License Now

The police department says every person driving an automobile in Brownwood after January 21st, will be at once arrested and taken into court. This means that every person is to be treated alike and there is to be no favoritism shown to anybody. Everybody who owns and drives an automobile or motor vehicle on which is required to be licensed, is to be treated alike.

Election Bets Made Felonies Under New Bill

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 13.—(P)—Betting on public elections would be declared a felony punishable by a penitentiary term of from 1 to 10 years by a bill to be introduced in the House today by Representatives and Holder of Hunt and Dallas counties, respectively. Holder pointed to testimony regarding bets brought out in the sheriff's election suit in Dallas county a few months ago, and declared the bill is designed to remedy and penalize such.

MEXANA OIL COMPANY ORGANIZED OPENING HOME OFFICE HERE

The Mexana Oil Company, for which a charter was obtained in December, completed organization Saturday evening with the election of the following officers: L. L. Gilliam, president; W. J. Halloran, vice president; W. G. Ray, secretary; George H. Shelton, treasurer. The capital is \$150,000 and the company is organized to operate in the Brown county fields. The home office is being opened in Brownwood, in rooms 4 and 5 of the Dair building.

Gilliam and Halloran are both San Antonio men, but have been operating now for some time in the Brownwood field. Gilliam is operating at San Angelo, Big Lake and other places, and owing to his other interests will spend only part of his time here. Mr. Halloran will be in charge of the company here. He has been making his home in Brownwood for several months, at the Southern hotel. They both formerly operated in Mexico, Gilliam spending twelve years there and Halloran, who came out of Mexico, only two years ago, spent seventeen in that field.

By starting the fiscal year with 115,000 men or under, "to arrive at an average figure for the year of 118,750, recruiting can be so administered as to close the year with 119,988 men should the men actually be required," the committee said.

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES HALT DEMONSTRATION AGAINST AMERICANS

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 13.—(P)—Special dispatches from Guadalajara state that an anti-American demonstration before the American consulate there was only avoided by the prompt intervention of federal authorities. The dispatches state that a band of workers had already begun a march toward the consulate when General Ferreira, military commander of the state of Jalisco, took personal command of a force of federal soldiers and dispersed the marchers.

Arrest Two Men Under Charges Postal Robbery

Sheriff Fred White and Deputy Sheriff Joe Boyd arrested two men, Allen McDonald and Wayne McBride, Wednesday afternoon, charged with the robbery of the post office at Cross Cut, Tuesday night of this week. The two men were caught about one mile north of the Byrd's store, where they were leisurely riding along. After the officers had accosted them and talked a while the two men were placed under arrest.

In searching the two men it was found that they had \$1.44 in pennies and two or three dollars in nickels and dimes. The amount taken from the post office totaled \$5.21. McDonald and McBride were placed in the county jail pending further investigation. They are to be given an examining trial sometime today.

Brownwood People Home from Fine Trip to Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Howlett have returned from a trip to the old home town of Mr. Howlett—Nashville, Tennessee. They left Brownwood on December 19, in their auto and traveled through Louisiana and Mississippi, a leisurely way. Although Mr. Howlett has visited the old home locality several times since he made up his mind to come to Texas, years ago, he always finds that many changes have taken place during his absence. Old times pass away and strangers take the klansman's place. It rained almost every day while the Brownwood people were guests of their relatives, and all the streams got very high. The Cumberland river was almost two inches higher than in 1881 when it broke all the previous records. Although isolated and with only the telephone lines to reach the outside world the visitors enjoyed every moment of their stay. Much damage was done by the high water, hundreds of farms being ruined and thousands of people rendered homeless.

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WOMAN IDENTIFIES BODY AS HUSBAND SUSPECTS MURDER

CHILDRESS, Texas, Jan. 13.—(P)—The body of the man found thrust into a culvert near here Tuesday afternoon was identified today as that of her husband by Mrs. Jack Morgan, who is employed in a rooming house and cafe at Borger, Morgan was an electrician, and worked in an electric light plant at Panhandle last summer, she said. Mrs. Morgan said her husband left Ramah, New Mexico, November 6, when he received a telegram from F. A. Nave of Borger, her present employer. This message was found in a pocket of the slain man's coat. When she arrived at Borger, a week after her husband, Nave told her Morgan had been there, but had informed him he was going to Oklahoma with two men in an automobile, she said. Nave told her that Morgan had about \$100 at the time, she said.

JAMES T. McNAMEE

James T. McNamee, of 302 West Baker street, died January 10th at the family residence and was buried Tuesday, January 11. The funeral services for the deceased were held in the chapel of the Harwell Funeral Home, and were conducted by Rev. U. R. Forrest, pastor of the Church of Christ. Interment was made in Greenleaf immediately following the funeral services. Mr. Namee is survived by his wife and two daughters, the daughters being, Mrs. Ollie Ebers of Bradley, Oklahoma, and Miss Nellie McNamee of the city, also three brothers, W. A. W. F. and Frank McNamee, all of Brownwood.

BUDGET FIGURE IS REJECTED IN ARMY MEASURE FOR SHOOTINGS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—(P)—Providing for an army of an average strength of 118,750 men and flatly rejecting the budget bureau recommendations for a force of 115,000, the army appropriation bill carrying \$366,901,118 for the next fiscal year was reported to the House today by its appropriations committee.

Of the total, which is \$11,555,000 above current funds but \$735,024 below the budget estimate, \$29,112,900 only is for military activities.

In its report the committee declared "Congress has rather definitely indicated its approval of not less than 118,750 men, which will need to be added to from time to time by reason of the air corps act."

Of the non-military appropriations \$50,000,000 in lump sum would be for maintenance and continuation of existing rivers and harbors projects and \$200,000 for maintenance of Muscle Shoals.

For the army air service the bill would appropriate \$20,356,000, an increase of \$2,205,000 over current funds. For all recessed projects under the engineer corps \$376,000 was recommended, an increase of \$320,000 over current funds.

The measure would provide \$29,797,000 for the national guard, a reduction of nearly \$1,900,000 over current funds but approximately the same amount above the budget, while for the organized reserves \$4,058,000 would be provided, an increase of \$337,000 over this fiscal year and \$446,000 above the budget.

CONGRESS TO DEBATE ON KELLOGG'S POLICY IN CENTRAL AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—(P)—Momentous debate on the administration's policy regarding the Nicaragua-Mexican situation was in the offing as Congress turned today to the testimony of Secretary Kellogg, detailing the reasons which led the state department to become concerned with the spectre of a Mexican-fostered Bolshevik hegemony intervening between the United States and the Central American states.

Mr. Kellogg revealed these details in a lengthy statement yesterday before the Senate foreign relations committee, and efforts were expected to be made today to have him appear before the House foreign relations committee. While such a move was lacking yesterday, Representative Moore, democrat, Virginia, was prepared to move today that the secretary also give his views to the House committee.

Quoting from extensive communist declarations and resolutions, Secretary Kellogg told the Senate committee, which has been called to meet again today, that all of these had named Mexico in particular and Latin America in general as bases for attacks on the "imperialistic" United States. It was these documents, together with information showing that arms and ammunition were clearing Mexican ports for the Sacaosa liberals in Nicaragua, which led state department officials to regard the recent developments in Nicaragua as affecting not only Latin Americans in that country but in all Central America.

To show specifically the relations between Moscow and Mexico Mr. Kellogg quoted from a declaration by Tchitcherine, the bolshevik foreign minister, who said on the Soviet establishment of diplomatic relations between Mexico and the Soviet states that the "Mexican government is based on the right radical unions and the radical small bourgeoisie. Mexico gives us thus a very convenient political base in America for the development of our further ties."

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EHLERS SUICIDES

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 13.—(P)—Fred Ehlers, brother of Gus H. Ehlers, president of the defunct Rookton State Bank of Kansas City, Kansas, who died December 30 of poison, committed suicide at the home of Charles C. Ehlers, 127 West 10th street, today. Ehlers shot himself while in bed.

JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn., Jan. 13. —(P)—A slayer of two women and a college student, who successfully barricaded himself today against an armed community for eight hours, met his demise early this morning in a fusillade of shots in the basement of his home.

W. B. Johnson, a merchant, went down severely wounded before the charge of twelve deputy sheriffs who gained entrance by the use of dynamite. At a Knoxville hospital physicians said he had a chance to live.

Johnson, armed with revolvers and 150 rounds of ammunition, held the whip hand over scores of deputy sheriffs who during the siege used machine guns, automatic rifles and tear bombs in attempts to dislodge him. Meanwhile Governor Peay was asked to authorize mobilization of a national guard company.

Shoots Two Women Johnson, one time deputy sheriff yesterday accosted Mrs. Josie B. Howard, 60, a cripple, and her daughter, Mrs. Josie Howard Bishop, 25, a widow, acquaintances of long standing. The women were returning to their home from a shopping tour when the man, accompanied by Robert Purkey, a friend, stopped them. An argument between Johnson and the women was punctuated suddenly by revolver fire and the women fell mortally wounded. Each shot through the mouth. The men fled; Johnson to his home nearby.

A crowd gathered quickly around Johnson's residence. Suddenly Johnson appeared at an upstairs window and fired two revolvers into the crowd. Dribble Hicks, college football player, fell dead. Reinforcements were ordered. In the darkness automobiles played headlights on the building and machine guns split a challenge. After Johnson entered the brick building he permitted friends to visit him, disarming them at the door. Among them was the chief of police and through him Johnson sent out the declaration that he would not be taken alive. Soon after Johnson entered the brick building he permitted friends to visit him, disarming them at the door. Among them was the chief of police and through him Johnson sent out the declaration that he would not be taken alive. Soon after Johnson entered the brick building he permitted friends to visit him, disarming them at the door. Among them was the chief of police and through him Johnson sent out the declaration that he would not be taken alive.

House Is Wrecked. After several bursts of firing, the officers decided to use dynamite. The front part of the house was wrecked and through the roof officers climbed. Lights soon flooded the place, but Johnson was not to be found. Sheriff Walter Anderson led his men to the cellar and from the darkness they were greeted by a volley of fire. One answering burst and the battle was ended. The man had two wounds, in the right eye and leg.

Many rumors as to the cause of Johnson's difference with the women he killed were heard. Some said Johnson was more than that the man and younger woman had been acquainted before her marriage. Mrs. Bishop's husband lost his life with the American army in France. A nine year old son survives her. Mrs. Johnson, the mother of five children, would not throw any light on her husband's action.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE SHOWS BIG INCREASE OVER RECORD FOR 1925

This is the time of the year when postoffice reports indicate whether the town or city in which the office is located has been making progress during the preceding year, or whether it has been standing still. It has been said, and perhaps well said, that the record of the work of the postoffice in a given locality may be safely taken as a barometer of the business conditions, or the industrial progress being made by a town. Reports in many newspapers that come to this office do not show a falling off anywhere in the west, but on the contrary a steady gain.

One year ago 196 new or additional boxes were placed in service at the Brownwood postoffice and they were taken promptly. The old time habit of going to the general delivery window and standing in line is being relegated to the discard by a vast number of people, who are keeping step with these modern times and modern ways. It would be surprising to know that scores of people, who might ordinarily be expected to get their mail at general delivery, have their own mail boxes.

The total receipts of the Brownwood postoffice during the year 1925 was \$51,215.98. The total receipts last year was \$79,532.25, being a gain of \$16,617.26 for the past year, which is a gain of a fraction more than 30 per cent.

The total receipts for Coleman in 1925 was \$20,170.45, and in 1926 it was \$24,176.02, being a gain of \$4,005.56, or 19 per cent.

San Angelo receipts for 1926 totaled \$90,447.76, which was a gain of 23 1/3 per cent over the receipts of the previous year, according to the San Angelo newspaper. The fact that San Angelo is headquarters for a vast number of people who are operating in the Big Lake oil area, makes it possible for an important increase in postal receipts and the development of the oil industry in Brown county also adds to the general volume of business at the postoffice here.

Young Men's Business League Meets Tonight Important Purpose

The Young Men's Business League of Brown county will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Southern Hotel for the purpose of discussing plans whereby an entirely new organization may be formed by uniting the entire Brown county League of Brown county and the Chamber of Commerce, to the end that there may be obtained a united effort of the citizenship for the welfare of Brownwood, Brown county and the entire Brownwood area, which means the surrounding territory. It is suggested that every member of the Young Men's Business League attend this meeting as it is of the utmost importance and upon its action to-day hinges.

Call Is Issued for Organization Capon Club at Brownwood

A call has been issued by several leading poultry raisers of Brown county for a meeting at the court-house in Brownwood at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of January 22, at which time the organization of Brown County Capon Association will be formed. Every person in Brown county who believes in adding renewed interest and value to the poultry industry as a factor in the material development of this part of Texas is asked to attend this meeting and take part in the proceedings. It is the intention of those who are calling the meeting to form permanent organization and elect officers. In this connection it was said that there is a good market for capons, practically the entire year and they bring 40 to 50 cents per pound when in good condition and dressed. It is said that there should be at least 10,000 capons ready for market in Brownwood by next autumn and this means many thousands of dollars for Brownwood and the people who raise the capons.

Henshaw to Bring in Two New Wells Today and Friday

The No. 20 Lowe of Geo. A. Henshaw, Jr., & Company, in the Fry pool is due to be brought in today and their No. 18 is due in Friday. Half a dozen other wells of this company will be coming in in the next few days, as they have been now drilling on the Lowe tract with seven producers. The formation in the new wells was said this week to be checking the same as the producers in the Fry field.

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SENTIMENT IN MEXICO BITTER AGAINST U. S.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 13.—(P)—Anti-American sentiment in Mexico is being displayed as the general public becomes cognizant of the gravity of the international situation augmented by the concern of the American department of state over the spectre of bolshevism here, denouncing at the same time the American consulate at Guadalajara was averted only by military intervention; the national students' congress voted yesterday to support the attitude of President Calles in the international crisis, denouncing at the same time the American consulate at Guadalajara was averted only by military intervention; the national students' congress voted yesterday to support the attitude of President Calles in the international crisis, denouncing at the same time the American consulate at Guadalajara was averted only by military intervention.

Meanwhile the government, which is best by sporadic outbreaks against the republic, today announced further measures to crush the insurrections which already are known to have cost the lives of at least 75 rebels and 24 federal soldiers. Rumors reaching Mexico City that 140 rebels were seen hanging from trees on a highway near Ocotumbas without confirmation and are felt to be untrue since a wholesale hanging would imply a serious defeat of the revolutionists which the war department would have announced.

The Mexican Catholic episcopate issued a statement denying the charges coming from the office of President Calles yesterday that the episcopate had incited the recent disorders. Bishop Diaz, secretary of the Mexican episcopate, who has dropped out of sight ever since Monday when he was visited by federal officials, was still missing today despite efforts to locate him. Dispatches from Vera Cruz, where it was thought he might be taken, say that he has not appeared there.

The department of the interior has denied rumors that he was being deported and today said that he called on the department on Monday and advised persons to leave the country, the application being granted. It is now thought that he may reappear on the Guatemala border. Reports of further fighting in various states continues to come into Mexico City today.

Removal Freight Rate Differential in West Ordered

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 13.—(P)—Removal of the freight rate differential on the main line of the Panhandle and Santa Fe railway north of Fullerton, Scurry county, and on the line from Lubbock to Farwell, Palmer county, was ordered Thursday by the Texas railroad commission.

The differential will be retained on branch lines of the Panhandle and Santa Fe, the commission not regarding the Lubbock-Farwell cut off as a branch. Chairman Clarence E. Gilmore of the commission estimated the order would save South Plains shippers and Santa Fe shippers \$250,000 annually. The commission held in abeyance final decision on the application of the Panhandle and Santa Fe railways that they be treated under the same management and control in the application of freight rates.

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Sinclair Co. Has Another Well Now Due to Come in

The Sinclair Oil & Gas Company has another well due to come in on its Fry lease today or Friday. This is an offset to the Rex Fry No. 1 and is on the southeast corner of the Sinclair lease. The 1,200 barrel Sinclair which came in a few days ago is on the southeast corner of its lease.

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# SENATE NAMES OFFICERS AND GOES TO WORK

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—(AP)—In the town where 12 years ago he earned his way through the Texas University law school by waiting on tables, mowing lawns, and performing other tasks, Robert Lee Dobbitt of Laredo, Tuesday was unanimously elected speaker of the House of the 40th legislature, convening here at noon.

A. E. Wood of Granger was unanimously chosen president pro tem of the Senate.

Bobbitt and Wood are strong supporters of Dan Moody, governor-elect, but their election was urged by men who in the 39th legislature were counted stalwarts of the Ferguson administration—a circumstance lending weight to the general belief that the session is to be harmonious.

Mrs. Emma Grigsby Meharg, secretary of state, opened the House, and Lieutenant-Governor Barry Miller, the Senate, Mrs. Meharg, soon to retire with Governor Ferguson, was the first woman to open a Texas legislative body. She received much applause from the crowded galleries.

The fortieth biennial session of the Texas legislature convened at

# LITTLE BOY IS BADLY INJURED WHEN STRUCK BY CAR LATE MONDAY

Boul Terry, four year old son of Guy W. Terry, was run over by an automobile Monday afternoon in Bangs. The little fellow suffered a broken leg, a fractured skull and other injuries. He was rushed to a hospital in this city where his injuries were treated.

According to reports coming from Bangs, the home of the injured lad, the little boy had started across a street to purchase some candy on ice cream when the car struck him. The car was driven by Clyde Carr, also of Bangs, and according to Carr and witnesses who saw the accident, the little fellow ran out from behind a car parked by the sidewalk and immediately in front of the car driven by Carr. The approaching automobile was so near the lad that Carr could not stop the machine until it had struck the child, but managed to halt the car before it had run completely over him.

According to latest reports coming from the hospital, the little fellow is resting well after a fairly good night's rest last night.

J. W. Pace, who has been living one and half miles east of Bangs on the new Brownwood and Bangs public road, has moved to a new place four miles southwest of Bangs. Mr. H. J. Guyer has occupied the place vacated by Mr. Pace.

# Postal Rates to Be Lowered to 1920 Basis

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Restoration of the 1920 rates on second class mail matter was approved today by the Senate post-office commission.

Restoration of the old tariff is expected to save publishers \$7,900,000 per year.

The McKellar amendment only second class mail matter, and that section of the bill relating to the poundage rate for news dealers bundles will receive further consideration.

# Mrs. Ralph Kington Dies in Sherman, Be Buried Here Thursday

The body of Mrs. Ralph Kington, former Brownwood citizen who died in Sherman, will reach this city on Wednesday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock on the Frisco, according to announcement today by McInnis Undertaking Company. The funeral services will be conducted on Thursday afternoon at the First Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Cameron. Mrs. Kington and her husband made their home in Brownwood for several years prior to their removal to the north Texas city.

# BROWN COUNTY STILL LEADING THIS DISTRICT

Brown county still leads the Central West oil field in production, according to the reports for the last week, published this morning.

The average daily production in the county last week was 13,500 barrels, a decline of 30 barrels from the previous week. Shackelford was second in this group of counties with 13,730 barrels, and Stephens county third with 11,035 barrels. Stephens county registered a decline from the previous week of 400 barrels.

The report from the Central Texas districts and the Panhandle is as follows:

Central West Texas		
Field	Past Week	Prev. Week
Palo Pinto	11,035	11,435
Stephens	13,730	13,635
Jones	2,910	1,525
Ranger	5,760	5,990
Eastland-Cimche	1,995	1,740
Brown	18,860	19,610
Coleman	1,875	1,850
Callahan	5,200	3,725
District totals	51,150	58,240

North Central West Texas		
Field	Past Week	Prev. Week
Elsenh	18,315	16,965
Burkburnett	11,865	11,470
Iowa Park	4,110	4,010
Wilbarger	12,780	12,935
Archer	30,410	30,865
Clay County	785	860
Montague	12,410	12,340
Wheeler	815	830
Young County	10,070	8,330
Jack County	815	780
Throckmorton	2,620	1,910
Baylor County	125	100
District totals	102,390	101,380

West Texas Plains		
Field	Past Week	Prev. Week
Scurry County	49	45
Mitchell County	3,915	3,840
Howard County	1,155	1,209
Rogers County	29,545	29,130
Crocket County	1,850	1,785
Pecos County	345	345
Upton County	19,010	17,985
Crane County	4,600	4,880
Winkler County	150	90
Loving County	40	40
Garza County	10	5
District totals	60,315	59,245

Panhandle		
Field	Past Week	Prev. Week
Carson County	4,395	3,115
Hutchinson	123,825	130,960
Wheeler	810	935
Gray County	9,420	9,580
Potter County	35	35
District totals	138,285	144,525

Total West Texas		
	Past Week	Prev. Week
Total West Texas	362,140	363,490
Decrease	1,350	—

# ROAD MAN IS FATALLY HURT BY EXPLOSION

The explosion of a fifty gallon barrel of gasoline Monday morning, about seven miles north of Santa Anna, caused fatal injuries to E. B. Tucker, operator of a road grader on the road between Santa Anna and the Fry field. Hauer Furry, who had carried Mr. Tucker and Emmett Lewis, another road man, out to work Monday morning, was also injured but his injuries are not of a serious nature.

The men had built a fire to warm themselves after the drive from town, and when the fire had died down to some extent the men proceeded to get some gasoline out of the barrel to pour on the fire. The container of gasoline was near the fire and when the men were pouring the fluid out of the barrel the explosion occurred. Two of the men, Mr. Tucker and Mr. Furry, were thrown several feet in the air. Both were rushed to the Santa Anna hospital where aid was given them. Mr. Tucker remained unconscious and died Monday night. Mr. Furry suffered painful injuries but they are not thought to be fatal. His right hand was badly mangled, his face slightly burned and he was badly shocked by the terrific explosion.

Mr. Lewis was not injured, due to the fact that he had stepped behind some of the road grading machinery, in preparation for the day's work.

Mr. Tucker has a family near Gouldsburg and had been in the employ of the county for a short time prior to the accident that took his life. The other injured man, Mr. Furry, was not a resident of the county, but had been employed in the Fry field for some time.

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J. T. Miller, Geo. H. Campbell to C. Rosenfield, all rights 40 acres T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey, Dec. 7, \$1.

C. Rosenfield to E. L. Chapman, all rights 52 1-2 acres S. A. & M. G. R. R. Co. survey, Jan. 5, \$1.

C. Rosenfield to A. H. Bowers, all rights 40 acres W. J. Blaz survey, Dec. 7, \$1.

Maeda Oil Corporation to Skelly Oil Co., all rights 40 acres J. M. Wright survey, Dec. 23, \$1.

D. J. Jobe et al to J. Gholson, all rights 2 1-2 acres Juan Delgado survey, Dec. 8, \$1.

J. O. Hart to C. Rosenfield, all rights 40 acres T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey, Dec. 7, \$1.

Jesse R. Penrice to Roxanna Petroleum Corporation, all rights, 30 acres H. T. & B. R. R. Co. survey, July 20, \$1.

Adams Production Co. to W. A. Butler, all rights 140 acres J. M. Baker survey, July 19th, \$1.

Albert Griffith to J. W. McCulloch, 40 acres Roland Honeycutt survey, Dec. 12, \$1.

W. D. Conway et al to Gulf Production Co., all rights 48 1/2 acres H. T. & B. R. R. Co. survey, Jan. 5, \$1,260.

J. Elmer Thomas to Midwest Exploration Co., all rights 54 acres B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. survey, October 5, \$1.

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H. M. Woodruff to Gulf Production Co., all rights 69 acres H. T. & B. R. R. Co. survey, Dec. 18, \$1,145.

C. Rosenfield to E. L. Chapman, all rights 40 acres S. A. & M. G. R. Co. survey, Dec. 30, \$1.

J. W. Sorrells to Clyde M. Becker, all rights 181 1-4 acres H. T. & B. R. R. Co. company, Dec. 50, \$1,260.

Tom C. Patton to Drill on 526 Acre Block Near Bangs

Tom C. Patton is to start drilling within 30 days on a 526-acre block four miles southwest of Bangs, lying across the Coleman county line, half in Brown county and half in Coleman county. The block comprises acreage in the tracts of F. M. Brooks, W. R. Brooks, Roscoe C. Brooks, B. J. Starkey and Minnie E. Coffey. The drilling is to be to a depth of 1,500 feet.

Patton's No. 1. J. M. Weedon completed a fishing job Tuesday and is setting casing at 1,040 feet.

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## ROY BYRD

# A STATEMENT


By the President of Dodge Brothers, Inc.

Within a few months, Dodge Brothers, Inc., will introduce a new line of motor cars, in no way conflicting with the market for Dodge Brothers present types, but occupying a considerably higher price field and produced in limited quantities.

Combining Dodge Brothers well known dependability with exceptional performance and striking beauty of appointment and design, these distinguished vehicles, we believe, will instantly set a new and higher standard in fine car practice.

Dodge Brothers will continue to produce their present line in maximum quantities to meet a demand which, during the year just ended, was very much the largest in their history, reaching the record total of 330,000 cars.

*Edw. Seiveman*



### Water Improvement Engineers Are Making Good Progress on Work

The water engineers and their assistants and working crews are making good time while the weather is favorable. There are about four crews at work. One crew is working ten miles east or southeast of Brownwood, completing the survey in the vicinity of the bridge on Pecan Bayou near the Calvert place, while the other crews are at work in the basin of the big water project, above the point where it is proposed to build the big dam. When these surveys have been completed, a final report will be made on that feature of the work, and this will be followed by estimates as to the construction of the dam, after it has been decided just what kind of a dam is to be constructed and at what cost. It takes time to work these details out, and those in charge are going about their business in a very painstaking and careful way.

### Retail Merchants Are Placing Membership in Local Association

According to a statement made today by Miss Lucile Self, secretary of the Brownwood Retail Merchants Association, the membership of that organization has increased at a tremendous rate during the past 12 months. About the first thing new business enterprises do when they get to Brownwood and open for trade is to take out a membership in the association.

The association membership covers Brownwood and the towns and stores in Brown county and also is in working harmony with a score or more counties throughout central West Texas. Information not available in the Brownwood office may be at once available in one of the many offices outside of Brown county with which the Brownwood office is in touch at all times. The time used to be when business concerns had to be canvassed in order to get their membership, but that time has passed, according to the secretary, and now the membership is growing rapidly and substantially in what might be termed an automatic way. The office of the secretary used to employ one assistant and keep one office telephone. Now three assistants are necessary, and three telephones are in constant use.

### BUGS USE AUTOS

SAN FRANCISCO.—Insects are taking to the automobile as a means of transportation, according to a scientist of the Smithsonian Institution. The California fruit grower is guarding against the Mediterranean fruit fly and is anxious to maintain the quarantine against Mexican fruit, the fly having made its appearance there.

BOND ELECTION MAY REPEAT SAYS McCULLY

"We do not believe that the people of Brownwood have given proper expression on the question which was submitted to their consideration last Monday in regard to converting certain features of the city indebtedness, because of the ridiculously light vote of only 150 voters out of a potential vote of something like 1,800 votes, and believing thus it is quite probable that another election on the identical subject stated in precisely the same way, will be ordered in the near future. The matter is now being given serious consideration."

So spoke Mayor W. D. McCully in his office at the city hall Wednesday, and continuing further he said: "Something like four or five months ago, in view of certain conditions pertaining to the finances of the city of Brownwood, the City Council got in touch with the Brown-Crummer Bonding Company of Dallas, and discussed with a member of the firm sent to Brownwood for that purpose, the condition of the warrants and bonds of the city, and the best way to handle these warrants and bonds to the end that the city of Brownwood might receive the greatest benefit, taking the least possible tax levy, and consequently leaving more of the funds derived therefrom in general fund, with which to carry on the business of the city of Brownwood."

"After going over the situation in detail, and viewing it from every possible angle as well as economic angle, the City Council decided that the very best way to handle the indebtedness of the city as it now exists would be by conversion of all the various outstanding bonds and warrants into one general bond issue with longer time and lower rate of interest as a whole."

Water Project First

"Knowing that the water project—that of creating a great water improvement district, a dream and a vision which had been the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night, so to speak, of every progressive citizen of Brownwood, since the first house was built here, more than half a century ago—knowing this great project stood first in the hearts and minds of the people, and desiring to have a perfectly clear field for the carrying out of this most worthy enterprise, the City Council at once decided to let the bond and warrant problem rest for the time being, and get together on the water project, urging the cooperation of all the citizens toward the success of the undertaking. So the bond and warrant problem was laid away for the time being. The City Council as a body as well as individually and collectively got busy, and helped carry to success the election which resulted in creating the proposed water improvement district, and at the same time gave the Water Board of Directors, selected at the same time authority to issue warrants in such amount as might be deemed necessary in carrying out the provisions and requirements of the water improvement program, to the extent of \$40,000 if necessary. The City Council thus deferred action on the bond and warrant conversion problem, because it felt that the water problem was the one great outstanding industrial problem of this city and of the great area of which it is the logical center. In the water improvement election, co-operation was the watchword, as it should have been, and today the citizens of Brownwood and the surrounding country are being congratulated on their wisdom in creating the water improvement district."

preliminary work could be done on the proposed water improvement district, enabled Brownwood, the bustling citizenry of Brownwood, to step at least one year in advance of other localities where preliminary bond issues had to be made in order to even start the work of survey. San Saba was cited as an instance in which the legality of the bond issue for the work of the water improvement survey had been upheld by litigation. President Kemp said by this action of the City Council, the work of planning in a practical and permanent way for the great water improvement district could begin at once. The results show that he was correct and today the survey is drawing to a close. It will not be long until the board meets to take action on the result of the survey. Things will move quickly and in order, and the first thing the people of Brownwood know, work will be ready to start on building the great conservation dam—a project that is to convert Brownwood's enrichment from a town of small pretensions into a town of a century progressive city. It is to bring about such results as these, that the city council deferred for the once, the financial situation, of the city."

Helped the Chamber of Commerce. "The City Council has co-operated as the records abundantly show, with every move the Chamber of Commerce made in bringing about the creation of the Water Improvement District. In order to furnish the Chamber of Commerce through its water committee with means and funds with which to make the necessary preliminary survey or surveys of the water project, and to avoid a special bond issue to raise the necessary funds for this purpose, the City Council, acting within the law, set aside or made an appropriation of the sum of \$5,000, that the work might be done without delay. This enabled the necessary preliminary work to be done and the election to be ordered."

"After the election had been carried and the Board of Directors of the Water Improvement District had been installed, it was found that further funds would be necessary and so the board came to the City Council for help in order that work of making a permanent survey of the proposed water improvement area might be made, and in order that work on the building of the great conservation dam, might start with just as little delay as possible, and listening to the plea of the Board of Water Improvement, the city council again went on record by setting aside an additional \$7,000 to carry the work of pushing the greatest industrial project ever undertaken in this part of the central west to completion as quickly as possible, thus by providing sufficient working funds, giving the Board of Directors of the Water Improvement District ample time in which to dispose of such bonds or warrants as they might in their judgment issue to carry on the work, as had been suggested. In the course of one of his visits to Brownwood, President J. A. Kemp, of Wichita Falls—the man whose broad vision made possible the conversion of the Wichita Falls country, into one vast and smiling garden of loveliness and productivity because of the water conversion—Mr. Kemp declared in a public address here, and made the statement privately, that this action of the city council in setting aside funds with which the

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Takes Up Program Again

"But when the election was decided in favor of the creation of the water improvement district the City Council again took up the problem of municipal indebtedness. Naturally the council felt that the best way to handle the situation with the great water project, it could safely expect the hearty co-operation of the citizenship in returning the bond and warrant conversion plan had no axe to grind on personal interest to serve. The proposition had been thoroughly investigated by the best legal talent. It was pronounced good and feasible. It was a just cause for every point of view. It was for the welfare of the growing city of Brownwood. No city under the sun has ever had the sure and steady growth that has the good city of Brownwood, and this growth reduced to its last analysis is the result of co-operation on the part of the citizenship, in which local prejudice or personal prejudice, if there has been any such thing in Brownwood, has not been permitted to enter as a disturbing factor. Personal prejudice, or local prejudice will not mix with material industrial development, at this point speaking for the city council, I desire to say that in the development of the city, street extension and general industrial expansion the citizenship as a whole have been of the most loyal and co-operative kind, at all times, and yet in the face of all these things, which have endeavored to show, when the citizenship of Brownwood—a town that is now throbbing and pulsating under the great industrial ground swell that is setting in for this favored section—when the citizenship, as I say have opportunity to register their opinion on a subject that touches vitally, every citizen in Brownwood, for the tax problem is vital, a spirit of supreme indifference is shown, and that excellent spirit of co-operation that should have manifested itself, either in negative or positive way, is the outstanding and alarming feature of the election. This election as has been said time and again was to decide on the bond and warrant conversion. If the election had carried in the affirmative, the city would have been given \$20,000 with which to continue its municipal activities and the citizens, in matter of street paving, would have furnished ample funds to have carried the present year to even a much greater and more splendid industrial achievement than was accomplished in 1925. No extra tax would have been created—no tax rise would have occurred, nobody would have been hurt in the least. To make a long story short the city of Brownwood would have had \$60,000 to expend on this year. One of the biggest and best things any city can do is to improve and extend its streets, for these, more times the home builder and home seeker, is looking for a home on paved streets, in a town or city that has paved streets. It has not been long since an incident came under my personal notice. A man came to Brownwood to buy a home. He was told of a good place that he was for sale and the first question he asked was: 'Is the place on a paved street?' When informed that it was not on a paved street he said he did not care to make a purchase."

Have Selected No Streets

"The City Council has selected no street for paving purposes. In each and every instance the citizens who desire streets paved have taken the initiative, such as is mentioned in the city charter. They have arranged their petition, ascertained their tax values and then have acted accordingly. What has been done by citizens on any street may be done by citizens on other streets. It is a matter that is up to the citizens. If any citizen feels that he has been neglected, in the matter of street paving or improvement, and will kindly call at the city hall, he will find the city council ready and willing to cooperate in any legal way whatever to improve the situation. In closing I want to say that if the election had carried, under the law as it now stands in regard to street improvement, it would have been possible for the council to come to your assistance to the value of one-third the amount required to pave streets, but inasmuch as the election was carried in the negative, it simply says in effect: 'Do the whole job of street paving yourself and pay for it yourself.'"

In Conclusion

"In conclusion the City Council still regards its plan to relieve the present financial stress as the very best plan. If there is any person who knew a better plan, it will be gladly taken into consideration."

MORRIS QUOTES SCRIPTURE TO ANSWER NOTES

COURTROOM, AUSTIN, Jan. 12. (AP)—While the defendant quoted scripture in reply to his friends and enemies alike, attorney in the Dr. J. Frank Norris murder trial selected their sixth juror today to try the noted Fort Worth fundamentalist for the killing of Dexter E. Chippis. The sixth juror was C. A. Galbreath, an Austin butcher, who is married, but has no children. He is not a church member, but his wife is a Methodist. Galbreath took his place in a locked room with W. D. Miller, former sheriff, C. J. Brown, laborer, Walter Johnson, dairyman, O. D. Moore, laborer, and Will J. Dill, retired, all chosen yesterday. Galbreath is the 36th venireman examined. The state has used four peremptory challenges and the defense two in order to remove undesirable veniremen. Many Had Opinions. Most of the men dismissed this morning had fixed opinions, and one or two had scruples against the death penalty. Dr. Norris issued a written statement, quoting Psalm 27, which he said was a reply to the many telegrams and letters received from friends. "The audience and newspaper gallery dwindled as the lawyers drummed away at their questions investigating the death penalty, the religious beliefs of prospective jurors, the nature of self defense, and the lodge affiliations of veniremen. Only one man said he was a former Ku Klux Klansman and he was excused. Isaac D. White, of Austin, Norris attorney, took over the venireman questioning on behalf of the defense. White explained to him that under the law a man does not have to run away or retreat when attacked. Bowling was removed by a peremptory challenge from the state. C. A. Galbreath, a butcher, who said he was a Mason, was questioned on his attitude toward ministers, and replied that, though not a church member, he had no prejudice against preachers. This venireman, as was the case with others, was asked whether his wife had expressed an opinion on the case. He said she had not. Galbreath was asked by Attorney Marvin Simpson whether he believed a preacher "would have to take more off a person than some one else." He replied that a preacher ought to have the same right to protect himself as any one. The defense challenged Galbreath because he said he had formed a slight opinion from reading the newspapers. Attorney Sam Sayers, special prosecutor, drew from Galbreath that he knew virtually nothing about the case except that Norris had killed D. E. Chippis. Judge Hamilton asked Galbreath whether he could try the case like any other case and when he answered in the affirmative, the defense withdrew its challenge and Galbreath was accepted as juror number six. Seven veniremen had been examined to obtain Juror Galbreath, who was the 36th venireman on the list. R. A. Chunn, a grocery and member of the Methodist church, was called next. He said "it might have some effect on my conscience" to inflict the death penalty. He told the judge he was opposed to capital punishment and was then ordered to stand aside, but the defense wanted to pursue the question further. "Do you mean there is no case in which you would inflict the death penalty?" Attorney Simpson asked. "No," Chunn replied. "I mean the evidence would have to justify it."

EXTENSION OF CROSS CUT ON NEWTON TRACT

The Roxana brought in another wildcat for a real well Tuesday, thereby extending the Cross Cut field a quarter of a mile north of any other production. The new producer is on the Newton tract and is making 20 barrels an hour, or close to 500 barrels a day. It is 1,256 feet. Two more wells are due in on the same section today, one on the Willis tract and another on the Newton. There were four locations around the new well Tuesday, with one rig already on the ground, another moving in and two others to move in today. This development is going toward the Prairie's Tramel well, one mile away which caught fire last year, but which was thought to be good for around 1,500 barrels a day. It is believed that these producers may connect up, opening another mile of proven territory.

INSPECTION OF RURAL SCHOOLS FOR AID BY STATE IS UNDER WAY

A total of about \$22,000 is being asked by Brown county schools in applications to the State of Texas for special aid, according to County Superintendent J. Oscar Swindle. It is expected that if the state funds are available, a majority of the applications will be honored, since practically all the schools have made arrangements to comply with the state's requirements for state aid. An itinerary which will be followed by the state school inspector has been prepared by Mr. Swindle and is published herewith. The inspections began today, and are to be continued until forty or more rural schools have been visited. The itinerary is as follows: Tuesday, January 11—McDaniel, 9 a. m.; Sand Creek, 10:30 a. m.; Thrifty, 12 m.; Grovesboro, 1:30 p. m.; Cottonwood, 3 p. m. Wednesday, January 12—May, 9 a. m.; Lost Creek, 10:30 a. m.; Blake, 12 m.; Wolf Valley, 1:30 p. m.; Union Grove, 3 p. m. Thursday, January 13—Holder, 9 a. m.; Elm, 10:30 a. m.; Gap Creek, 12 m.; Clio, 1:30 p. m.; Anderson, 3 p. m. Friday, January 14—Chapel Hill, 9 a. m.; Clear Creek, 10:30 a. m.; Mukewater, 12 m.; Concord, 1:30 p. m.; Mount Zion, 3 p. m. Monday, January 17—Salt Branch, 9 a. m.; Rice, 10:30 a. m.; Brooksmith, 12 m.; Winchell, 1:30 p. m.; Duffin, 3:30 p. m. Tuesday, January 18—Coggins, 9 a. m.; Indian Creek, 10:30 a. m.; Russell, 12:30 p. m.; Hones, 3 p. m. Wednesday, January 19—Cedar Point, 9 a. m.; Barber, 10:30 a. m.; Jordan Springs, 12 m.; Woodland Heights, 1:30 p. m.; Deleware-Ricker, 3 p. m. Thursday, January 20—Elegant Ridge, 9 a. m.; Zephyr, 11 a. m.; Turkey Peak, 12:30 p. m.; Antioch Union, 2 p. m.; Jones Chapel, 3 p. m. Friday, January 21—Center Point, 9 a. m.; Blanket, 10:30 a. m.; Gap Creek, 12 m.; Willow Springs, 1:30 p. m.; Salt Mountain, 3 p. m. This itinerary will keep the county superintendent and the state inspector moving rapidly during this week and next, but unless unfavorable weather interferes Mr. Swindle thinks the schedule can be followed with little difficulty. American tourists spent more than \$25,000,000 in France last year. IT DRIVES OUT WORMS. The surest sign of worms in children is paleness, lack of interest in play, fretfulness, variable appetite, picking at the nose, sudden starting in sleep. When these symptoms appear it is time to give White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses drives out the worms and puts the little one on the road to health again. White's Cream Vermifuge has a record of fifty years of successful use. Price 35c. Sold by Camp-Bell Drug Co.

NEW REX-TEX WELL MAKING 1,000 BARRELS

Another big well, making around 1,000 barrels a day, was brought in Tuesday afternoon by the Mace Brothers of the Rex-Tex Oil Company and Py-Tex Oil Company, off-setting on the east their No. 1, commonly known as the big Rex Pyramid well. The new well was drilled eight feet in the sand and made 40 barrels an hour. This is their No. 2 on the J. H. Fry tract. Their No. 1, which has held so much interest during the month, is one month old today. It was making 47 barrels an hour Tuesday night after their No. 2 came in. This well has produced over 40,000 barrels of oil in the first month of its existence, in addition to a large quantity of gas, and as the oil is above 45 gravity it is easy to see that its production for the month has a value of above \$100,000. The Rex-Tex and Py-Tex No. 2 is drilling at 1,630 feet and their No. 4 at 400 feet.

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Car Shortage Overcome by Co-operation

The Santa Fe gives this a practical demonstration in 1926. You are invited to read this account of an achievement which saved Santa Fe patrons millions of dollars.

Five years ago one of the most serious transportation problems was the handling of very heavy freight traffic resulting from unusually large production and requiring prompt movement to secure favorable markets.

Even though the railroads did their best, car shortage and congestion were the natural results of such peak movements. And because of this slowing up everybody suffered. Such losses involved not only large sums of money, but partial paralysis of business. These transportation enemies now have been overcome.

To illustrate, the Santa Fe in June and July, 1926, had an enormous wheat crop to handle from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas to the big markets. To provide for prompt handling 12,500 box cars in first-class condition had been distributed on sidetracks in the territory where they would be needed.

The demand for cars, however, resulting mainly from the use of "combines,"—which converted wheat standing in the field in the morning into wheat ready for loading in the afternoon,—was largely in excess of what had been anticipated.

For fifty days the average wheat loading was 1,050 cars per day, exceeding all previous records by 84 per cent, with one single day's maximum loading of 1,569 cars.

This huge crop, notwithstanding the new and rapid method of harvesting, was moved with a negligible car shortage, without congestion, and with little or no delay, something never before accomplished under similar car-loading demands.

What made such a result possible? Cooperation of everyone interested and the loyal and efficient work of Santa Fe employees.

To meet the crisis the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association, with the consent of other railroads, diverted to the Santa Fe every available box car at Chicago regardless of ownership.

The Santa Fe also had the most hearty and helpful co-operation of Regional Advisory Boards, Terminal and Port Committees, State Grain Inspection Departments, State Railway Commissions, and the United States Shipping Board. Shippers and receivers of wheat also helped. And there was the whole-hearted support of its own employees.

This is a practical and convincing proof that co-operation can meet every transportation demand, eliminate car shortage and congestion, and save producers and shippers hundreds of millions of dollars annually.

The Santa Fe wishes to express its sincere appreciation of this co-operation and of the efficient and loyal service of its employees.

W. B. McElendon, President of the Santa Fe Railway System

Boiler Explosion on Prairie Lease Fatal to Workman

VERNON, Texas, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Joe W. McElendon, 28, was fatally hurt and E. W. Reed, 23, and C. T. Elford, 32, seriously injured today when a boiler exploded on the Prairie Oil and Gas Company lease in the Rock Crossing field, eighteen miles southeast of here. McElendon died while being taken to a Verano hospital.

Frisco Man Says Big Increase in Inbound Freight

C. O. Jackson, assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Frisco, of Fort Worth, was at the Southern Hotel Tuesday night and noted a decided increase in the number of oil men in Brownwood since his last visit, which was just before the Christmas holidays. While the Frisco hauls out no oil from this point, the production from this field all going into the pipe lines, the road's freight business has shown a big gain here with the development of the oil fields, due to the shipment of oil well supplies and other articles. The inbound traffic here shows an especially big increase, he stated.

More Than 100,000 Fruit Trees Set Out Brown County in 1926

According to statements by various people who have sold fruit trees in practically every locality in Brown county the past year more than 100,000 fruit trees, mostly peach trees, were set out in this county last year. It seems that the country around May, and Bangs put out the largest number, hardly a farm home, being left out. With favorable conditions Brown county should be producing a big fruit crop within the next few years, especially a heavy crop of peaches.

Unable to Identify Body Found Near Childress Tuesday

CHILDRESS, Texas, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Identity of the young man whose body was found stuffed into a casket here Tuesday afternoon was not established today. Search of the clothing, which is practically new, revealed only a dime and a telegram addressed to Jack Morgan, Guadalupe, New Mexico. The telegram had been sent from Borger.

Production res Mahala \$1,650. Turn Worth remony. Rosenberg, Nathan Rosenberg attended by brother, Mrs. Sara. Rosenbergs in Supreme Court. Monday and Tuesday and 10 feet.

Charter No. 8312 Reserve District No. 11 REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

Table with financial data for Citizens National Bank, including assets, liabilities, and capital stock.

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Individual members of the tangle were unavailing. Firemen tied a rope about the body of one child in the hope that it was the key-log of the jam, but were unable to jam it.

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ECONOMY STORE TO DOUBLE ITS SPACE USE TWO BUILDING

The Elam Elliot grocery will move from the present location, at 203 Fisk Avenue, to the Radford building, perhaps better known as the King building, as it was occupied by the J. L. King Dry Goods business for many years.

LEAHY TRIAL SET JAN. 31 GEORGETOWN

GEORGETOWN, Texas, Jan. 10.—(P)—Trial of H. Leahy, charged with the murder of Dr. J. A. Ramsay, is set for Jan. 31, by Judge Cooper Sanson in district court here following a plea for a new trial on the part of Leahy.

BAPTIST TO MEET HERE IN CONFERENCE ON GREAT CAMPAIGN

A great meeting of Baptists of this district will be held in Brownwood on January 25, when Rev. George W. Truett will address the churchmen of the state.

REMOVAL NOTICE

I have moved from fifth floor to room 310 third floor of First National Bank building.

STUDEBAKER cars are built to stay

STUDEBAKER cars are built to stay on the road and out of repair shops. They seldom need attention.

DAUGHERTY TO FACE TRIAL FEBRUARY 7TH IN CONSPIRACY CASE

FOR WORKING PEOPLE The best workers get out of sorts when the liver fails to act. They feel languid, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged and think they are getting lazy.

GOOD SERVICE to back up good value



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County Notes

Zephyr

Miss Mattie Mae Matson was operated on in a local hospital in Brownwood last Thursday. She is doing well at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunter and little daughter, Helen, are visiting Mrs. Hunter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Shelton.

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Mrs. Maggie Sheffield is reported on the sick list this week.

C. B. Guyer has returned to his home here after attending the bedside of his mother for a week and who left this earthly home and took up her abode in her heavenly home last Sunday morning about 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Pulliam has received word from her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. C. Ausley Houston, Miss. that on account of high water their mail communications were cut off for several days.

The Women's Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. J. S. Wilson Monday afternoon in a social meeting. Refreshments were served to eight members.

The meeting at the Baptist church came to a close Sunday night. Rev. Barrett did some wonderful preaching, and endeared himself to the people.

The Parent-Teachers' association will meet Friday, January 21st, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunter and little daughter, Helen, are visiting Mrs. Hunter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Shelton.

FORMER PRESIDENT OF HOWARD PAYNE COLLEGE LOCATES IN EAST TEXAS

HENDERSON, Texas, Jan. 10.—Dr. L. J. Mims, one of the most widely known Baptist leaders of this state and who was recently elected president of the Rusk College, has located in East Texas.

He started his educational career as a teacher in the public schools of Rusk county, where he taught for eight years.

Following this period, he held pastorates for a number of years at Dublin, Vernon and Brownwood. While serving and pastoring the Baptist church at Brownwood he was tendered the presidency of Howard Payne College there, and accepted.

During the last three years he has served as stewardship secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Henderson is in Rusk county and it might be well called in the heart of East Texas. That section of the country has undergone a great reformation as well as transformation during the past twenty-five years.

Back in the old days Henderson for ten years or more was the cotton market for about forty east Texas counties, no railroad, no railroads, no cotton, no oil, no oil.

He has made his home in East Texas, where he has been for some time. He has a wife and four children.

TEXAS AND TEXANS

The TEXAS farm crop of last year was valued at \$1,000,000,000, and was something over \$300 for every man, woman and child on the farms.

The oil production for Texas for 1925 was about \$50,000,000, or something like one third of the amount of farm products.

Geologists say that when developed, the oil resources of Texas will be more valuable even than the oil. Texas is rich in sulphur, in salt, in marble and granite.

Immense water conservation and irrigation projects are under way. The building of factories, cities, towns and country alike are prosperous as never before.

Texans enter the new year with heads erect and looking forward.

Newspapers Point the Way. Nearly all the newspapers coming to my desk, whether from the cities or from the country towns, are revealing the development in their localities during the past two months and pointing out the prospects for the new year.

Some Potatoes There. Camp county produced last year 90 per cent of the cotton crop of 1925, but went in strong for sweet potatoes, shipping from Pittsburg some 300 cars.

Garner-Alvis Co. for the Family. A SALE. Men Florsheims \$8.85. All Other Men's Shoes 20% Off. Women All Ladies and Misses' Pumps and Oxfords 20% Off. One Lot Values 1-2 \$8.50. Children Our Entire Stock of children's shoes are priced 20% Off.

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WOMEN! Defeat Your Ills! Port Arthur, Texas—"I have taken Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription... MONEY TO LOAN... Harwell Funeral Home... BROWN COUNTY FIRST IN STATE IN NUMBER OF DRILLING PERMITS... BRINGS THEM BACK... Certainly we are anxious to sell a lot of Used Cars! Because we figure that every Used Car of the kind we sell will eventually bring us a New Car Customer. LOYD JONES MOTOR CO.

Anderson

We are having some cold weather at present.

The sad news arrived here last Monday telling of the death of another one of Henry Kirklen's boys, Miss Dora Kirklen is very low.

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McDaniel

Every one is about over the measles and are able to return to their school work.

Miss Norene Evans of Mt. View and Miss Loretta Boler were guests of their friend, Miss Irma Louise Ray Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Haynes and daughters visited in the home of Rev. Bagley and family Sunday afternoon.

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JORDAN SPRINGS CLUB

The Home Demonstration Club of Jordan Springs met at the school house January 6th.

Miss Malone was with us and as usual taught us to make something pretty and useful.

This time it was sewing bags. The sewing bags are the first article of the second year's club work.

We have resolved to have a complete exhibit at the county fair next fall if at all possible.

Home Demonstration Club Program Soon to Be Made Public

Representatives from the various home demonstration clubs of the county met Saturday afternoon for the purpose of making a program for the work to be done during 1926.

There were about 25 club women present and after several hours of discussion it was found that they had planned more work than could be done in one year's time.

A special committee was appointed to investigate and report on the program planned in the meeting and work it out in a systematic order.

Miss Malone gave a demonstration of rug braiding and wall paper suggestions. These demonstrations were highly appreciated by all.

WILLIAM OTIS KIRKLEN

William Otis Kirklen, twenty-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford, died early Monday morning at the family residence.

He was a member of the First Baptist church here and was a very bright and promising young man.

The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at three o'clock in the Heffia cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his father and mother, one sister and three brothers, the sister being Miss Dora Kirklen and the brothers are Elgin, Virgil and Alton Kirklen, all of whom are at home with their parents.

A Million Automobiles

A million automobiles have been registered in Texas in the past year. This is an automobile for every five inhabitants of the state.

The valuation of these cars could hardly be less than half a billion dollars. Only well-to-do, or reasonably prosperous people can afford to own and keep up a car.

While most cars are bought on installment, the investment of Texans in automobiles runs into an enormous sum. Automobiles are important factors in the education of a people, for they tempt even the chronic stay-at-homes to travel, and travel education.

The family that owns a car is more progressive than the family that travels in an oxcart or wagon. If you have ever decried the general use of automobiles as the cause of much of the poverty of the country, stop it.

Texas Needs More Like Him

Edgar B. Davis is a Northern man who had a fortune in oil in the Luling field. He gave Luling a \$150,000 club house as a New Year's present.

The citizens of Luling were nearly all at the club house on the first day of the year to receive the present and to greet Edgar Davis, who told them he had paid his poll tax in the county and expected to make Luling his home.

He has made other contributions, totaling about a million dollars, to the town and county. He is a man who wants his friends and neighbors to share in the enjoyment of his wealth.

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Robbers Make Effort to Get into Mercury Bank but are Foiled

Robbers undertook to rob the bank at Mercury, about 2 o'clock Monday morning but the attempt, which was of a very crude nature, was frustrated.

Entrance was attempted in the side of the bank building and the robbers made noise enough to start an investigation. Several men armed themselves and suddenly appeared on the scene when the would-be robbers fled, making their way to an automobile parked at no considerable distance.

The automobile and speed away and were pursued for a few minutes so hotly that the machine was badly damaged in making a getaway, according to evidence of collisions with various objects as it got out of town.

Up to this time no arrests had been made although it was said there were some fairly good clues.

Blanket

Senior League program for Sunday, January 16, 1927.

Commissioners Open Bids for Repairs in Jail Equipment

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# Broken Threads

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**WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE**  
To the home of PROF. and MOLLIE ELWELL in Camdenville, Ind., one night in October of 1919, comes MARTHA DALTON, a nurse, bearing with her a woman who had fainted on the Chicago-Indianapolis train on which Martha had been traveling.

Prof. Elwell is an artist. He has a son, JIM, aged 5. Prof. and Mollie take the stranger in and late that night twin girls are born to the woman, who dies without revealing her identity. Her attire had indicated her to be a person of refinement and wealth.

The story then moves forward to June of 1916. The allies are demanding that the United States get in the war, and in Prof. Elwell's workshop the reader is introduced to Jim Elwell, now 22, and his father's partner, and to the twin girls, who have been adopted by the Elwells. They are now 17 and one of them has been named MARGARET and nicknamed RUSTY; the other, named ELIZABETH, is nicknamed BETTY.

To Jim the girls are just pals, although they are growing to beautiful womanhood. Jim is hurriedly summoned one Saturday afternoon by Betty, who reports a touch is bothering outside the back fence, addressing insulting remarks to the two girls. Jim runs to the rescue, hurling a challenge.

**NOW BEGIN THE STORY**  
CHAPTER III

RUSTY and Betty, standing together, looked at each other and their eyes grew bigger.

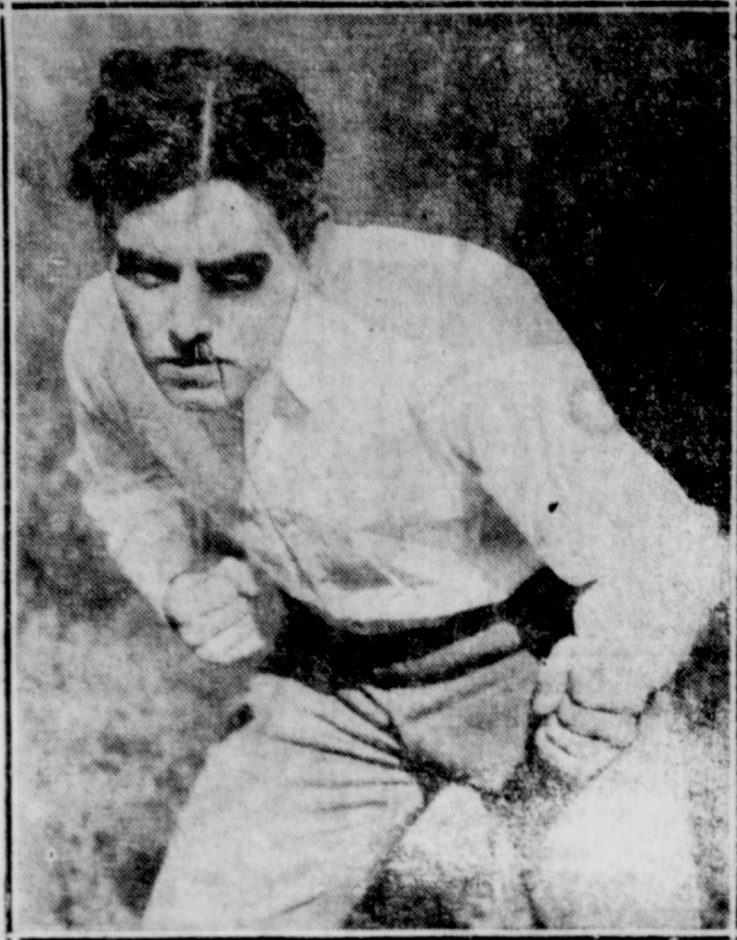
"Little girl!" gasped Betty. "Now WHAT do you think of that? He's gettin' worse every day!"

The man in the alley had stepped back some three feet as Jim approached. He heard Jim's remarks with a grin.

"An' who the hell do you think you are?" he asked coolly. "An' the little girls you're talkin' about—where are they? D'you mean them two queens over there with the Goldlocks hair? Little girls like so much—say, they're grand ladies, bucko! I'm tellin' yuh, see, an' I'm watchin' right call an' connoisseur of feminine pulchritude, I am! I know class when I see it."

Jim, gritting his teeth, notified him that he would show him some class that he knew nothing about and jumped the fence.

But in less than ten seconds Jim Elwell realized perfectly that he was up against a proposition that had toughness spelled all over it. Things weren't running true to prescribed form. The fellow was only a shade larger than himself—but something was wrong. It occurred to Jim that when he lashed out with his fist he should have connected somewhere. But he didn't.



Within a minute his eye closed and a red stream was pouring from his nose.

His little playmate merely ducked and—in the same language of commercialized fighting—socked him in the eye.

Jim was going to get around a bit, he knew that, and right before his admirers, too. For this "bum" he had tackled handled his fists in a way that Jim, pretty handy with his own, had never seen before. And the stranger's wallop seemed to explode when they landed.

Within a minute Jim's right eye closed and a red stream was pouring from his nose. But he bore in, for Jim was no quitter and he was mad clear through.

A swift uppercut that came all the way up from the hip caught Jim Elwell on the point of the jaw and spun him around twice. But he wasn't through yet. He was still on his feet, he told himself, and—

Then something happened. His one seeing eye caught the flash of a bright object. He heard a dull smack like wood striking bone and the face in front of him, the face that was grinning and dancing about, dropped from his line of vision. He looked down. His

A gapping gnat came from the ground beside Jim Elwell. He looked down again and beheld the vanished stranger struggling to a sitting position. In one hand he held the croquet ball. Slowly his head lifted and he looked at Jim. Then his gaze shifted to the girls on the other side of the fence. The expression in his eyes was still a little uncertain and befuddled but his mouth began to spread in a good-natured grin, and with that ease of action that marks the trained athlete he rose to his feet and held out his hand.

"I know when I'm licked," he said and he spoke with a little drawl that carried a touch of the south. "I apologize to the—er—little girls an' yourself. You put up a good scrap an' I like a game fighter any place I find him. Lemme introduce myself. Here's my calling card."

He reached into an inner pocket and drew out an envelope.

"Look at the name on that," he said. "It's me."

Jim accepted the envelope and read, "Battling Kid McCarthy, Heavyweight Champion of Mississippi."

Elwell, glancing up, remarked that he had heard quite a lot about the "Battling Kid." "They tell me you know your stuff."

The "Kid" accepted the compliment graciously. "I'm out doin' a little cross country," he explained, "reachin' for his calling card," and with the other hand rubbed his head ruefully.

"Just a little stick of advice before I go," he added with a grin. "Anytime hereafter when yuh start to clean up on a champion box fighter be sure to take your little girl friends along. There're great masochists, I'll say, especially the one that heaved the coconut. She could play left field on the White Sox, anybody that throws strikes like that. That ain't no lie, brother. She's got an arm like Joe Birmingham."

Jim Elwell, looking thoughtfully at the twin who had heaved the murderous croquet ball, thought so, too. "Hope she didn't hurt you much, Kid."

"She darn near ruined me, that's all," Rusty gasped and the "Kid" added, "but I guess I had it coming. Well, I gotta be goin'. I'm sorry ladies."

"S all right," Jim Elwell told him. McCarthy stuck out his hand.

Jim Elwell's misty gaze—made misty by the incapacitated eyes—followed the prize-fighter's receding form for a full minute. Then he turned once more to the girls.

"Well, if that guy ain't the best ever." "Oh, Jim!" cut in Rusty with a quick little sob in her throat, "your eye is swelled shut and your shirt is all blood. And so is your nose. C'minto the woodshed till we wash you up and put a beefsteak poultice on your poor eye!"

Jim admitted there was merit in the suggestion. "An' your nice white pants—they're all bloody, too, an' this is Saturday," supplemented Betty with a quick eye for the proprieties. "You'd better hurry before somebody sees you."

Jim waited no longer on the order of his going but started at once. He glanced down at his once flossy togs when he had jumped back over the fence. They looked, as one of the twins suggested, as if they had been waded through a Chicago packing house.

Betty, he said, might help him out a bit. "Look here, you go up to my room and sneak a clean shirt, another collar an' the my blue serge pants. An' don't, for the love of Mike, let Prof or Mollie catch you. They'd kid me for the next six months if they found out about this. I'll be gettin' washed up in the meantime."

So while Rusty and Jim went to the woodshed to wash away the facial evidence of the late sanguinary battle, Betty sneaked in the back door and up to Jim's room to obtain the wherewithal for concealing his unfortunate attempt to lick a box-fighting champion.

Rusty, in reply to Jim's congratulations on her trusty right arm blushing and made for the kitchen. She came out some minutes later just as her twin sister had arrived from upstairs. Her two hands gripped the sides of a whole porterhouse steak, cut thick.

"Well, have you got your nose washed?" Betty asked as Jim threw the towel he had been using into a nearby clothes basket and looked around. "If you have, I'll just put this steak on your eye and bind it up."

Her hero looked at the big slab of porterhouse and his mouth gave a twitch.

"Sufferin' Mike!" he gasped. "You don't think you're goin' to put that hunk o' meat on my eye with all that bone in it, do you?"

Betty snickered and Jim hastened to assure Rusty that he thought her intention was excellent. But she tossed her head, which sent her recently washed hair flying, and her mouth curled in disdain.

There was the ax, she informed Jim, nodding toward a block in which the instrument of amputation was sunk. Jim could take it and cut the bone out if it didn't suit him.

Jim bowed, grinning. "You're a marvel, Rusty." He took the steak and with the ax carved it to suit his fancy. The girls looked on, fascinated.

"Mollie was keeping that steak for tomorrow's breakfast," observed Betty in a casual tone as she watched Jim's artistic surgical work.

Jim looked at the other twin who shrugged indifferently. "Oh, well, Jim can put it back in the box before he goes to bed. Who will now the difference after it's cooked? It'll probably eat just as well."

Such deplorable lack of delicacy had never been seen before, Jim told her. . . . The gladiators agreed that it would be preferable to eat supper. Nurse Dalton, who now lived in a room, rather than flaunt the battle at the table with and Prof. Nurses were so

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partly covered by insurance. Neither of the two buildings on either side of the Anderson home was damaged.

**Halts Trials Until Made Out of Office**  
SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 11.—(AP)—District Attorney C. M. Chambers announced today that he would move that all trials now pending in district court be postponed until Governor Miriam A. Ferguson is out of office.

This announcement was made after Chambers learned today that Austin Ellis of San Antonio, convicted here last week of theft and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, had granted a full pardon today. Chambers immediately ordered his assistants to prepare a motion for postponement in every trial scheduled to come before the inauguration of Governor-Elect Dan Moody.

**HOME IS DESTROYED BY FIRE WITH LOSS ABOUT FIVE THOUSAND**  
Fire that originated in a closet in a back bedroom of Pete Anderson's home, at 494 Wilson Street, caused a complete loss of the house and contents. The fire was discovered about seven o'clock Monday evening by Mrs. Anderson when she opened the door of the closet. The blaze seemed to have originated in the top part of the closet or perhaps in the ceiling just over this part of the house. Mr. Anderson had left the house about five minutes prior to this and had gone to a meeting at a nearby church. Upon arrival at the church he was told that his house was on fire so immediately returned to find the house blazing all over.

The fire department arrived on the scene before the blaze had broken through the top of the building, but due to some unknown reason it took an unusually long time to get the hose lines connected and water turned on to the mass of flame. Soon after the water was turned on the fire was brought under control, but too late to save any of the contents or most of the house.

After the fire Mr. Anderson stated that he carried enough insurance to almost cover the damage done, especially on the building. Some of the furnishings in one room were removed and saved, these including a Victrola, chiffonier and two mattresses. All of the family's clothes were burned. The loss will amount to near \$5000.00.

**DESTRUCTIVE PRAIRIE FIRE NEAR LUBBOCK**  
LUBBOCK, Texas, Jan. 7.—(AP)—W. L. Ellwood, owner of large ranch holdings in this part of Texas, was unable this morning to place an estimate of damage on the prairie fire which swept approximately 25,000 acres of grazing land on the Spade ranch 25 miles west of here Thursday.

The fire which started from refuse at a chuck wagon in the "K" pasture on the south Spade ranch, burned for about eight hours despite efforts of an organized band of twenty-five men to control it. No real property or cattle were lost in the flames, it was said. 2,000 head of cattle having been driven from the path of the fire, which cut a swath about three miles wide and fifteen miles long.

**SAYERS GIVEN MEMBERSHIP IN PARDON BOARD**  
AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Dan Moody, governor-elect, Tuesday announced the appointment of Mrs. Sayers as his secretary of state. Joseph D. Sayers, former governor, as a member of the board of pardon advisers; Boyd Gatewood of Houston as his private secretary; and J. D. Hall of Georgetown as his first assistant secretary.

Mrs. McCallum, the wife of A. N. McCallum, for many years superintendent of Austin schools, is a prominent club woman. She was chairman of a state-wide organization of women who actively supported Moody. In 1917, she was chairman of an organization of women who worked for the impeachment of Governor of James E. Ferguson, husband of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.

Sayers as a youth served with distinction in the Civil War. He is a former United States congressman and was governor of Texas, 1899-1903.

Gatewood, 35, is a newspaper man of 15 years varied experience. He has been connected with newspapers in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and other large cities.

Hall is the Williamson county clerk, and Moody's friend of long standing.

Moody said other appointments would be announced soon, while a number would not be announced until under the law the offices they will be become vacant.

**NEW SINCLAIR WELL MAKING 1,200 BARRELS**  
The Sinclair Oil & Gas Company's No. 2 on the J. H. Fry tract came in Friday afternoon and measured up at the rate of 1,200 barrels a day, at 16 feet in the sand.

This is the well reported in yesterday's Bulletin as showing a 500 barrel well at 13 feet in the sand, and came in for better production than that prediction.

This producer is the third location west from the Rex Pyramid well.

**WARRANT PLAN NOT APPROVED BY ELECTORATE**  
Although a very small vote was registered, there was a decisive majority against the proposal for issuing \$103,000 of 6 per cent refunding warrants by the City of Brownwood when the matter was laid before the voters in a special election Monday.

A total of only 170 votes were cast, 65 favoring the warrant proposal and 105 opposing it. The vote by wards was as follows:

Ward One, for 11, against 19.  
Ward Two, for 18, against 29.  
Ward Three, for 16, against 28.  
Ward Four, for 20, against 29.

It was the smallest vote registered here in many years in an election involving a bond or warrant issue or similar proposal affecting the disposition of tax money. The vote, however, was not commensurate with the interest in the proposal, for throughout the city there was evidence of much concern over the outcome of the election and the failure of many voters to go to the polls is thought to have been due to the lack of any kind of campaign to remind them of the election.

**MRS. MACKAY ANN DABNEY**  
Mrs. Mackay Ann Dabney, for the past twenty years a resident of Brown Co., died Tuesday night in her home at Blanket. At the time of her death Mrs. Dabney was seventy years of age and was a pioneer of the state. She is survived by her husband and six children, three daughters and three sons.

Mrs. Dabney was a member of the Christian church at the time of her death and had been for many years of her life. In her daily life Mrs. Dabney lived in accordance with the teachings of the church of her choice and the teachings of her Master as laid down in the Book that she so faithfully read, so say her friends and neighbors who have been intimately associated with the deceased many years prior to her death.

The funeral services were held from the First Christian church of Blanket Wednesday at three o'clock, and interment was made in the Blanket cemetery. Rev. George Lambert had charge of the funeral services.

Mrs. Dabney is survived by her husband and life-time companion, C. L. Dabney, three sons, Robert C. L. Dabney, of Blanket; Arthur Dabney, of Breckenridge; 3 daughters, Mrs. Mattie Switzer, of Blanket, Mrs. Nettie Mallow, of Blanket and Mrs. Charles Reynolds, Mills Creek, Oklahoma.

BROWNWOOD SCHOOLS WANT TREES SET OUT IN RESPONSE TO LIONS

The steps taken by the Lions Club of Brownwood a few days ago to set trees on the premises of the Coggin school building seem to have met with a hearty response from the citizenship and school patrons generally, and now other schools are asking that trees be put out in their respective localities and school grounds. It is probable that the Lions and other organizations will keep the good work going until every school building in Brownwood has been surrounded by trees, during the present season, February 25, is Arbor Day as well as the birthday of Washington. It is a holiday and no better or more appropriate program could be devised, for at least a part of the day, than that of setting out trees. There is both sense and sentiment in Arbor Day. There is sentiment because much of the important history of this country is connected in some way, and in tender ways with trees. "The groves were God's first temples, where man learned to hew the shaft long before a church house was erected, the people worshipped in the groves. The ancient Druids of Britain worshipped in the groves entirely, and the great stones or altars that are still to be seen at Stonehenge, were once upon a time surrounded by a grove of trees. Trees from time immemorial have been the theme of the poet, the lyricist and the painter. What picture of a landscape would be complete or beautiful without trees, and how would a stream or water look, however limpid, if it flowed through a treeless solitude? The cedars of Lebanon, the oak whose boughs caught the erring Absalom, the Sycamore into which Zeecheus climbed to get a better view of Christ, the willows by which the children of Israel sat down and wept, in a strange land, when they were asked to sing one of the songs of Zion—the old home land, and in our own history—the tree of Wya Penn, the charter oak, the tree of the noche triste of Cortes, the evergreen pine, the only tree that has ever had the honor of being placed on coin minted in what is now the United States. Trees are not only sentimental, but useful. For this reason every school house should be surrounded by trees, to give shade—to preserve the equilibrium of the atmosphere and to add to the appearance generally of the premises.

Bill in Legislature A bill to be introduced in the Texas legislature having for its object the reforestation of the denuded areas of Texas. Unfortunately this country is facing a tree famine. Gradually the forests are disappearing. In the great pine areas of Louisiana, the pine trees have practically all gone. Instead of lovely forests, there now appears a maze of useless stumps and what is worse this cut-over land is not in demand. In the first place it costs about one dollar to get one of these stumps out of the ground and when there are several hundred on one acre it is readily seen that it is a task that doesn't pay. So the idea undertaken by the Lions club is a good one. It should have the hearty support of every citizen, and every person who owns a home. Now is the time to set out trees, and it makes little difference what kind of a tree. Various varieties are suggested, but after all it is a matter of taste, and whatever tree is chosen should be one that has texture enough to stand the winds with which it will have to contend through the years as it grows toward maturity. So everybody set out trees. Replace dead trees with live trees and remember that the time in which trees may be set out lasts only a short time.

VENIEMEN ARE QUESTIONED ON ISSUE OF KLAN

"Must I answer all these questions, Judge?" Judge Hamilton nodded in the affirmative, and Morris said he was a Mason, but denied Ku Klux Klan membership. After the venireman and the attorney had argued back and forth over the death penalty, with the venireman giving some apparently sharp answers, Morris was removed on a peremptory challenge by the state. Resigned From Klan T. H. Tunney, an Austin city employe, said he had resigned from the Ku Klux Klan ten days ago, after being a member several years. He could give no definite reasons for quitting. When District Attorney J. D. Moore of Travis county pursued questions as to Tunney's Klan membership, Attorney Moses for Norris rose and said: "The defense objects to these questions because the defendant is not now and never had been a member of the Klan. We also object because we may not be able to complete the jury out of this panel, and these questions going out in the press may influence future veniremen." Moses said the Klan issue had been so heated in this locality that it was not fair to bring it into the trial and he requested the state not to ask questions concerning the Klan any more in the case. Attorney Martin objected to the statement that Norris was never a member of the Klan, "because attorney Moses was not under oath. "We have information that Norris was a member of the Klan," said Martin. "If there is a witness who will swear to that, I will withdraw my objection," said Moses.

SIGNER TEXAS CONSTITUTION OF 1875 DEAD

MARSHALL, Texas, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Judge W. W. Dillard, a signer of the Texas constitution of 1875, died at the Confederate home at Austin Tuesday evening, a telegram received by friends here said. He was 90 years old. Shortly after coming to Texas from Alabama in 1857, Judge Dillard joined company A of the Texas cavalry, and served with Confederate forces during the Civil war.

PLANS PREPARED FOR IMMEDIATE START SOUTH PLAINS LINES

FORT WORTH, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Plans have been laid for the immediate start of work on the South Plains line through Hale county by the Fort Worth and Denver, Charles Reinken, chairman of the Plainsville railroad committee, announced that plans, according to advices from that party, according to advices from that party, according to advices from that party.

THREE BROWNWOOD MEN IN AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR GRANBURY LAST SUNDAY

An automobile in which Frank Shores, Bill Shores and Ed Stewart, all of Brownwood, were riding, suddenly left the road on a sharp curve five miles north of Granbury, last Sunday afternoon, turned over a time or two and then righted itself, which is considered remarkable as a thing of this kind rarely happens. In the catapuit away from the road, Bill and Frank Shores were thrown forward and out of the car, a considerable distance. Bill Shores suffered to the extent of a broken back and is now in a hospital in Dallas in a very precarious condition according to reports, Frank Shores is badly bruised, but after a day or two spent in the hospital was able to return to Brownwood Tuesday. Ed Stewart says he does not understand yet just how he was caught and held underneath the automobile after it had righted itself. He could not get out, his legs being pinned and held in such way that he could not extricate himself. He suffered a deep gash over the right eye, a bad bruise on the nose, both his hips injured and one leg badly bruised. It is a mystery, he says, that he was not killed instantly. In a few minutes a car came along and the Shores were hurried to a hospital at Dallas, while Stewart returned to Granbury where he received medical treatment.

Registration of Automobiles Slow Butler Reports

Less than half of the car owners in Brown county have paid their automobile taxes for the current year, according to County Tax Collector W. A. Butler. At 10:30 this morning only 2,660 new licenses had been issued and there are more than 6,000 cars in the county. The sheriff, Fred White, and the Chief of Police, George Williams, state that their forces will arrest each and every car they see without 1927 numbers on them after the 31st of January. In other words, all automobile taxes must be paid and new numbers received by February 1st, or the car owner who neglects to do this will be subject to arrest. Shop early and avoid the rush, is the slogan in the tax collector's office, states Mr. Butler.

Better Hurry up Pay Poll Tax in Order to Vote This Year

People who expect to vote or take any part whatever in any election to be held this year, have only a few more days in which the necessary preparation, which consists of getting a poll tax receipt, and this can be done at the office of the tax collector of Brown county, at the court house, January 31st, at midnight is the last moment on which poll tax may be paid to entitle the holder to vote. Of course poll tax may be paid any time after February 1, but the person who pays will not be entitled under the law to vote. The better plan would be to go at once and attend to this important matter, lest it be too late or else accompanied by discomfort at the last moment because of the usual heavy rush.

TODAY IN WASHINGTON

Congress meets at noon. Chicago lake diversion hearing continues. House expects to vote on independent offices bill. Motion to report McNary-Haugen bill is before House committee. Reed committee meets to draw tentative plans of Pennsylvania election inquiry. Senate and House foreign affairs committee continues consideration of Nicaraguan-Mexican situation.

Real Estate Transfers

WARRANTY DEEDS L. M. Crow and wife to Jesse H. Snider, Jr., 81 acres McKinney and Williams survey, December 31st, \$2400. John W. Mitchell et ux to W. D. Adams, lot 2 block 22 Ford addition January 3, \$3,300. A. M. Weedon to Miss Mayesie Malone 1/2 lot 2 block 28 Coggin addition, January 1, \$1400. Mrs. C. C. Willis et al to E. T. Green 1/2 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 5, \$551.

ROYALTY DEEDS

R. A. Thompson et ux to James L. White 1/2 interest 120 acres Garcia Monter and Duran surveys, January 5, \$10.

ROYALTY CONTRACTS

Mrs. C. C. Willis et al to C. R. Bennett 1/2 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, November 27, \$1600.

L. C. Riordan et al to J. W. Johnson 1/2 interest 100 acres James Cozens survey, April 26, 1918, \$187.50.

Mrs. C. C. Willis et al to E. T. Green 1/2 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, November 27, \$1600.

Mrs. C. C. Willis et al to R. C. Acres 1/2 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, November 29, \$1600.

ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL AND GAS LEASES

J. Elmer Thomas to Humble Oil and Refining Company all rights 40 acres B. B. & C. Railway Company survey, September 20, \$1.

J. W. Moore and F. H. Fairman to Independent Oil and Gas Company all rights 70 acres S. B. Mison survey, September 1, \$1.

J. V. Scrivner to Joseph Winters all rights 200 acres Moses Little survey, December 7, \$1.

Tom C. Patton to John W. Miller all rights 120 acres Martin Flood survey, January 4, \$1.

J. H. Haynes to H. E. Southern all rights 100 acres Payton Johnson survey, December 6th, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 199 acres Jesse Chandola survey, January 6th, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 60 acres H. T. and B. Railway Company survey, January 6, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 25 1/2 acres Jesse Chandola survey, January 6th, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 70 acres J. A. Willis survey, January 6, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 85 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, January 5, \$1.

W. V. Lester to Sovereign Oil Co. one-fifth interest 12 1/2 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 6, \$1.

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WARRANTY DEEDS

May Rutledge and husband to W. F. Jolie, part of block M Coggin addition, January 3, \$2600.

M. M. Smith and Davis Smith to Frank L. Smith, lot 4 block 5 Taber addition, January 4, \$1.

ROYALTY DEEDS

R. D. Logan to J. L. McMurray 1/2 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Ry. Company survey, January 3, \$1.

MINERAL DEEDS

C. H. Reeves et al to R. T. Evans 1/2 interest 50 acres Thomas Belknap survey, December 17, \$10.

A. J. Reeves et al to R. D. Logan et al 1/2 interest 413 1/2 acres Holden Rhodes survey, December 21, 1925, \$1.

R. T. Evans to J. H. Massie 1-32 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 10, \$400.

R. T. Evans to George B. Ray et al 1/4 interest 50.3 acres Thomas Belknap survey, January 10, \$10.

ROYALTY CONTRACT

Mrs. C. C. Willis et al to R. T. Evans 1-16 interest 160 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, November 29, \$300.

OIL AND GAS LEASES

Mrs. J. F. Gaines et al to J. W. Sorrells 1/2 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, November 9, \$10.

A. A. Martin et al to J. W. Sorrells 1/2 interest 300 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, November 4, \$10.

D. E. Walker to F. L. Sawyer 1/2 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, September 27th, \$400.

D. E. Walker to F. L. Sawyer 1/2 interest 80 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, September 27th, \$1.

D. E. Walker to F. L. Sawyer 1/2 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, December 6th, \$1.

J. B. Turner et ux to R. D. Logan 1/2 interest 160 acres W. M. Green survey, December 27, \$10.

Mrs. V. A. Scarborough to C. A. Rogers 1/2 interest 60 acres John Robinett survey, November 26th, \$1.

ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL AND GAS LEASES

C. A. Rogers to Lee Scarborough all rights 60 acres John Robinett survey, November 27, \$1.

J. W. Sorrells to Clyde M. Becker all rights 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, December 30, \$1.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of gripple, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotab, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either. One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified, and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please, no danger. Get a family package, contains full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

Grain and Provisions

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Faced by prospective big shipments from Argentina, wheat averaged lower early today. Opening unchanged to 1-4 off, wheat rallied a little and then sagged all around to below yesterday's finish. Corn and oats were firm, corn starting 1-8 to 1-2c advance, and subsequently showing further gains. Provisions tended downward.

GRAIN FUTURES

Table with columns: Grain, High, Low, Close. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye for Chicago, Jan. 13.

POTATOES

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Potatoes steady; Wisconsin sacked round whites 2.25@2.40; bulk 2.25 @2.40. Idaho sacked russets 2.75 @3.00.

WALL STREET STOCKS

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Further irregularity developed at the close of today's stock market.

Livestock

EAST ST. LOUIS, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Hogs 14.90; lower; top 12.15; pigs 11.25@12.00; packing; sows 10.10@10.25. Cattle 3.00; calves 1.20; steady choice vealers top 14.25; steers 8.35@9.25; best fat heifers up to 19.50; medium heifers 6.00@8.00; cows 5.25@6.00; cutters 3.50@3.90; top bulls 6.75. Sheep 1.80; no early sales.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Hogs 14.90; active; heavy hogs 11.70@11.95; medium 11.75@12.05; light 11.75@12.10; packing sows 10.60@11.35; slaughter pigs 11.50@12.10. Cattle 12.00; slow; strictly choice medium weight steers up to 12.00; bulk steers 7.00@7.75; vealers 11.00@12.00. Sheep 29.00; slow; woolled lambs 12.50@12.75; fat ewes 5.75@7.25.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 13.—(Cattle)

4,000; calves 7.00; fed steers steady; choice medium 11.00; best heavies 10.40; bulk grain fed 8.25@9.75; 3.96 1/2 cents. Spanish perats, which recently staged a sensational advance, yielded slightly on realizing.

BITTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Butter lower; creamery extras 47 3/4-48; standards 46 1-2; extra firsts 46 1-2@47; firsts 45@46; seconds 40@43 1-2. Eggs higher; firsts 40 1-2@42; ordinary firsts 37@40; refrigerator top extras 33 1-2; refrigerator firsts 31 1-2@32 1-2.

STEERS

steers 6.50@8.00; beef cows 6.00@6.50; plain cows 4.50@4.75; light heifers 8.00@8.75; bulls 4.75@5.50; good vealers 9.00; choice 10.00.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 13.—(AP)

Cattle 2.00 including 500 calves; steady; heaves 5.50@8.00; stockers 5.00@7.50; fat cows 4.25@6.25; heifers and yearlings 5.50@10.00; bulls 3.50@6.00; calves 5.00@10.00; Hogs 12.00; steady; Hights 11.60@11.70; medium 11.65@11.90; heavy 11.80@11.90; sows 10.50@11.00; pigs 10.50@11.00. Sheep 6.00; steady; lambs 10.00@11.75; shorn lambs and yearlings 9.00@10.00; stockers 10.00@6.50.

DALLAS, Jan. 13.—(AP)

The Santa Fe will double track 27 miles from Amarillo to a point near Canyon. It is said here at Santa Fe offices. Increased traffic due largely to oil development in the territory served by the Panhandle and Santa Fe, was given as the reason.

KELLOGG IS "ABSDUR"

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Commenting on Secretary Kellogg's charge that Mexico is used as a base for communist activities against the United States, Mme. Alexandria Kollantay, Soviet minister to Mexico, said "it is absurd to think that Mr. Kellogg has information about something which does not exist."

FARM BILL APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—(AP)—The House agriculture committee today approved the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill by a vote of 13 to 8.

Large advertisement for Abney & Bohannon featuring the text 'AUCTION SALE OF USED CARS Brownwood, Texas Saturday, January 15th Sale Starts Promptly at 1:30 p. m. Fords--Chevrolets--Dodges' and 'Abney & Bohannon Auction will be held on lot next to Wheel & Body Works.'

### BANK DEPOSIT FIGURES SHOW PLENTY MONEY

As a general rule that has no exception, the condition of banks in a given locality is always taken as an index to the industrial condition in that particular locality. Newspaper accounts as shown in bank statements made throughout Texas, indicate that practically every section of the Lone Star State is in fine condition. Texas is so large in extent as well as diversified resources that it would seem little less than a miracle were every section of Texas thoroughly prosperous. In some localities, in fact over large areas cotton is the chief crop. Where this is true, the business interests were hit pretty hard last year, because of the tremendous slump in the price of the staple. In many localities the cattle industry leads, but not to the extent that it used to lead, because that cattle raising of other years have been broken up into small areas and sold to people who built homes and opened farms. In many localities truck raising has been the leading industrial proposition. As a general rule, however, shown by bank reports and clearing house reports there is a note of genuine optimism rinking clear and vibrant throughout the country, and nowhere, even though in many localities the people have been hard hit by the cotton slump, is there any note of pessimism or discouragement. It is one of the things that give confidence and optimism everywhere and in every hand, and nowhere is this more so than in the Brownwood area.

**Bank Conditions**  
Brownwood bank conditions are fine. Information from bankers themselves is to the effect that more debts have been liquidated in the Brownwood section the past year than for any like period in the history of Brownwood. Credit is better, and getting better every day. People seem to be learning better business methods, and more practical rules of economy. This was emphasized a few days ago when facts and figures were given in these columns covering the work of the Women's and Girls' Clubs of Brown county under the direction of Miss Mayes Malone. The figures applied to butter, chickens and eggs, and ran far into the thousands of dollars. When the kind of home industry permeates the country, hard times has very little chance to get in a word even edgewise. Then to this add the vast oil industry, and then add the turkey industry, and then add the dairy industry, and a score of other industries to say nothing of the vast volume of work now in progress by the Santa Fe railroad, the rock crushers, and the work now in progress by the engineers of the great water conservation district and many other features, quite too numerous to mention.

The banks of Brownwood are in excellent condition. The total deposits are as follows:  
Brownwood State Bank \$ 226,827.77  
Citizens National Bank 1,028,274.80  
Coca National Bank 967,879.02  
First National Bank 1,549,218.15  
Total \$3,772,199.74  
This is the best showing ever made by the banks of Brownwood and shows the decidedly healthy condition of the Brownwood area. And in this connection it can be said that the outlook for a better season of prosperity is much more optimistic than it was one year ago. The figures given are almost one million dollars more than were shown last year, in the way of deposits.

### NIGHT JAILER OVERPOWERED BY PRISONERS

BROWNWOOD, Texas, Jan. 11.—(P)—Four prisoners, two of whom are confessed slayers, escaped from the Cameron county jail at 9 o'clock last night by overpowering the jailer, and were still at large this morning following an all-night search by Sheriff W. T. Yarn and other officers.  
N. J. Bryan, night jailer, was overpowered by the prisoners who effected their escape by means of automobiles which waited on the outside. Various Brownwood citizens saw the automobiles speeding away from the jail a few moments after the break. The cars were reported to be heading to the military road which runs alongside the Rio Grande and it is regarded as probable that the men crossed the international stream into Mexico. Since it was evident that outside aid had been provided in the form of automobiles it was not regarded as improbable that boats had been provided to take them across the river.  
The escaped are Lupe Garcia, confessed slayer of Constable Jesse Billings of La Feria; Ben Harris, negro, who confessed beating his child to death near Harlingen; and a third man, held for a long time awaiting trial on a cattle theft charge, and Joe Canates, who was to have been tried on a seduction charge in February.  
WANTED: Good salesmen to sell Russell's Pedigreed and State Certified Seed. Must have ability to sell, organize and work sub-agents of his county. Exceptional proposition to good men. (strictly confidential) Furnish references first letter and be ready to start work immediately. Russell Cotton Breeding Farms, Abilene, Texas.

### APPLICATIONS FOR CLEMENCY AWAIT ACTION

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—(P)—Six days before Governor Miriam A. Ferguson will retire from office the court of criminal appeals today, at appellants request, dismissed 25 appeals and withdrew seven motions for rehearing. This was said to constitute a record.  
Many of the appellants are applicants for pardons, and Wednesday was their last opportunity to have appeals dismissed or rehearing motions withdrawn while Governor Ferguson is in office.  
Among these whose appeals were dismissed were: Herman Garza Williams and Cruz Martinez, sentenced to death from Webb county for murder, in connection with the slaying in Zapata county; of Sterling Hunt, alleged to have escaped from the penitentiary, he was convicted of killing a man in Humble and driving his car away.  
Governor Ferguson has not yet released the proclamation giving details of the case and her reasons for clemency.

**VESTAL PARDONED**  
AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 12.—(P)—Prayers of two women who married Emmett Vestal, that his life be saved have been more than answered. Two weeks ago, Governor Miriam A. Ferguson commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence passed on Vestal for having killed a man in Dallas in 1917. Today she granted Vestal a full pardon, giving as her reason that Vestal was insane when the slaying occurred.

Vestal was declared insane after having been convicted, but escaped in 1918 from the hospital for the insane, going to St. Louis where he married and became the father of six children. He left St. Louis and married again. Upon his return to St. Louis a few months ago he was arrested and returned to Texas, to be found sane and the death sentence reimposed. His two wives agreed on wishing his life saved, and his second wife said she would step aside in favor of the first and the six children.

**The Day's Proceedings**  
AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—(P)—Proceedings in the court of criminal appeals Wednesday include:  
Affirmed: W. H. Whitworth, Gillespie; R. Battle, Harrison; W. H. Odell, Taylor; J. G. Raney, Denton; Greenville Jackson, Kerr; Hugh Davis, Wilbarger; G. Gaudin, Galveston; Dominic Thibodeaux, Jefferson; D. F. Demmer, Don Smith and Owen Davis alias C. E. Strickland, Foard.  
Reversed and remanded: Fletcher Mangrum, Hunt.  
Appeal dismissed at request of appellant: C. E. Myrick, Sutton; Casimo Orlando, Falck; Paul Bednorse, Liveoak; Herman Garza Williams and Cruz Martinez, Webb; Charlie Akin, Coleman; W. H. Jellison, Orange; Oscar Gray, Dallas; W. A. Glasscock, Fayette; Louis Gonsler, Vanhook; L. H. Havitt, Palo Pinto; L. D. Sheffon, Dallas; Cecil M. Parris, Collin; G. C. Allen, Stephens; Muri Tyson, Milam; W. G. Dunn, Coryell; Dock Trinkle, Wood; Will Schitter, Milam; L. S. Bryant, Ellis; Amos McGee, Tom Green; Fred Skidmore, Dallas; E. W. Nations, Sabine; H. C. Owens, Taylor; C. N. Bob White, Stephens; Elsy Simmons, Potter; Fred Jenkins, McLennan; John Skaggs, Wichita; L. A. Falley, Stephens.  
Appellant's request to withdraw motion for rehearing granted: John B. Webster, Wheeler; Paddy Wilcoxson, Baylor; William Meador, Nolan; Leonard Brown, Shelby; C. M. Greenwood, Hill; Collum Jones, McLennan; E. C. Wheat, Shelby.

### Brown County Chickens Take Brady Ribbons

Clarence Remington of Brownwood and Roscoe Brooks of Bangs won most of the championship ribbons in the Heart of Texas Poultry show which closed at Brady Friday. More than five hundred birds were entered in the show, coming from a big territory. C. P. Van Winkle, well known here, was judge of the exhibits, and said that it was one of the best shows he has attended in many months.  
C. Remington of Brownwood won grand champion cock, and best male in show. Roscoe Brooks of Bangs won grand champion hen, grand champion pullet and best female in the show.  
**TWO DRY HOLES**  
Price & Daniels finished their No. 3 on the J. J. Andrews tract for a dry hole Saturday night, at 1,230 feet. Their next location will be offsetting their No. 1 on the west end and will start on it in a week or ten days.  
The Rex-Tex Oil Company and Pe-Tex Oil Company are plugging a well on the Annie Bell Andrew Hays lease. The well was drilled through the Permian to a depth of 129 feet in the Caddo lime, a total depth of 1,875 feet.

### THIRTY-TWO FULL PARDONS ARE GRANTED

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—(P)—James E. Ferguson endorsed the full pardon of E. A. Decherd of Dallas who as state senator in 1917 voted for Ferguson's impeachment as governor, the Decherd proclamation released Tuesday by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson showed.  
Governor Ferguson's clemency acts today amounted to 3,177, with the granting of 32 full pardons two citizenship restorations, one commutation of a 25 year murder sentence to three years, five paroles, one turlough extension, three bond forfeiture remissions, and two jail sentence remissions.  
Full pardons include:  
Carl Crowder, Grayson county, forgery in nine cases, two years; convicted 1923; pardoned because of youth of the defendant and recommendation by sheriff, jury, and board of pardons.  
Francisco Camarillo, Taylor county liquor, one year; convicted 1926. Pardon granted because of his ignorance of the laws of the state and his poverty.  
J. D. Abbott, Runnels county, forgery in two cases, four years; convicted in 1926; pardoned because of poverty and dependence of his family. Recommended by jury.  
L. C. Kelly, Grayson county, burglary, two years; convicted in 1926; recommended by jury and other citizens.

### AGED FARMER KILLS ENEMY IN FIST FIGHT

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 8.—(P)—Having confessed that he killed a farm hand with his bare hands, George H. Keene, 72 year old farmer was being held without bail today. The victim was known as "Gunboat" Smith.  
The men had a fight several years ago. When they met Monday night near Keene's farm, Keene said, Smith hit him.  
Keene's confession continues: "I took him by the back of the neck and down he went. I expect I broke his neck. I don't know."  
"Then I caught him by the collar and thrashed his head up and down as many times as he slugged me in the forehead when we had the other run-in. When we had this other run-in, which was several years ago, he struck me in the forehead 13 times and last Monday night I took him by the collar, raised him up and slammed him down in the road 13 times. Then I went home."  
Smith died Tuesday.

### GOVERNOR TO TAKE NOTICE OF CRITICISM

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—(P)—Declaring "there never has been a pardon issued to a convict from Bexar county that did not bear the endorsement of most, if not all, of the jury and many of the county officials of the county," Governor Miriam A. Ferguson Wednesday rebuked Bexar county court officials for their agreement Tuesday to try no more criminal cases until after she goes on office January 15.  
District Attorney C. M. Chambers "cites the instance of one man who was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary just two weeks ago, and states that the party has been pardoned," Governor Ferguson said.  
"I suppose Mr. Chambers refers to the case of Austin Ellis who was recently convicted of theft and was pardoned by me."  
"It will be interesting to know that said pardon was issued to a boy only 18 years of age, and upon recommendation of the jury and others."  
Chambers charged that the governor's pardoning proclivities have "made life and property unsafe." He stated that so far as he could learn, only a few men convicted in Bexar county have not been released.  
Neither the governor nor former Governor James E. Ferguson would comment last night, but they implied something would be said today.  
Since the governor lost her race for re-election to Dan Moody in August, 1926, approximately 1,600 clemency proclamations have been issued. The available record to date shows a total of 3,177, with 326 full pardons, 815 conditional pardons, seven commutations of death sentences, and the remainder restorations of citizenship, paroles, turloughs and remission of fines, bonds and jail sentences.  
This establishes a record for clemency in Texas.  
Despite the number, the prison population, which was about 3,500 when the governor went into office two years ago, remains above the 3,900 mark.  
**TO SHOOT BOWERS WELL**  
It was planned this morning to shoot the Bowers at well on the Cason ranch today, 1,530 to 1,550 feet.  
This is their No. 1, their discovery.

### RE-SURVEY OF COUNTY LINE BETWEEN BROWN AND COLEMAN ORDERED

Steps have been taken for the purpose of surveying the line between Brown and Coleman counties, the initiative being taken in the matter by County Judge E. M. Davis. Mr. Davis states that the boundary line as it now exists is rather indefinite and due to the extensive drilling that is being done on both sides of the county line, he thought it advisable to resurvey the entire line.  
At present most of the land along the county line is a value of about 100 or more acres, due to the oil fields being developed, and in case some of the oil companies should elect to build a big refinery on or near the line, there would likely be a dispute between the two counties as to the taxes from such a plant.  
The commissioners' courts of the two counties concur in this belief and have ordered their respective county surveyors to work in conjunction with each other in resurveying the entire boundary line between Brown and Coleman counties. This work will be begun in the near future and monuments will be erected at intervals so that there will never be any doubt as to the exact line between the two counties.

### NEW MOTOR COMPANY HANDLING CHRYSLER PRODUCTS IN COUNTY

The city is to have a new motor company, in fact it has been opened for business, although the complete office and shop equipment has not been installed, but these facilities will soon be installed. Automobile row has a worthy competitor in the firm of the Gregg and Agrellius Motor Company, now located in the building formerly occupied by the Sanitary Bakery, in the Austin-Morris block on Fisk Avenue. The new company has taken over the Chrysler agency and plans to conduct this business on a large scale, and will carry a complete line of Chrysler products, according to a statement made by Mr. Agrellius, this car is the only one of that model on display in the state.  
Sauders Gregg and E. M. Agrellius, the two men who own the new motor company, come from Ranger to this city. Mr. Gregg has been engaged in the oil business in that city and has extensive holdings in the Ranger field today, several producing wells being included. For several years he was state bank examiner and is thoroughly acquainted with all phases of business. Mr. Gregg will not move to the city until the close of the present school term, as he does not care to take his children from one school to another during the school year.  
Mr. Agrellius is here and has been fortunate enough to secure a home to live in, and will take charge of the new business. He is the son of A. E. Agrellius of Austin. It will be remembered that Mr. Agrellius bought the warrants issued to cover the preliminary expenses of the Brownwood water improvement project. For the past several years Mr. Agrellius has been with the Gullahorn Motor Company of Ranger, who handles and has handled the Chrysler agency ever since the car was introduced in Brownwood. He is thoroughly acquainted with the car he is handling.  
F. L. Hargis, until recently sales manager for the distributor of Chrysler automobiles in Lubbock, will be connected with the new motor company as salesman. Mr. Hargis has had much experience in the automobile business, especially in the sales department, and will be a valuable asset to the new company.  
Charles Woodell, for the past few years sales manager for the Buick car in Ranger, is coming to the city to be with the new Chrysler distributors. He is a competent salesman, experienced in his line of work, and will be of much value to the new business.  
John E. Demmer of Ranger will be connected with the new motor company and will have charge of the office work. Mr. Demmer is a brother of Joe Demmer, cotton inspector at the compress in this city.  
Mr. Agrellius stated that he and his associates had much faith in Brownwood and Bexar county, and this statement is evidenced by the fact that they have already invested about \$15,000 in the new business and stand ready to enlarge and increase their facilities as the demand is made. Besides bringing to Brownwood a modern up to date motor company, the firm will swell the population of the city in that they are bringing at present five new families to our city, all of whom will be gladly welcomed to the activities of the city. The firm plans to build as soon as a suitable location can be had. Mr. Agrellius already has his eye on several desirable locations and it may be only a short time until announcements will be made in regard to a new business place. They are here to operate on a large scale and they are sure to receive a hearty reception from the business men of the fast growing city.

### Real Estate Transfers

**Warranty Deeds**  
Earl Looney and Marie Looney to Marie Looney Evans, Part of Lot 7, Block 5 Taber Addition, July, 20, 1923, \$1.00  
Roy H. Morris to Carl S. Saller, part of Lot 4 Block 15 Grandview Addition, Jan. 7, 1926, \$9.00  
**Oil and Gas Leases**  
S. Connaway et al. to Lydia S. Callen, 7-4 interest 201 1-3 feet, 1925, \$1.00  
This is their No. 1, their discovery.



\*This statement is based on facts. We picked at random 1500 motorists who were testing Michelin Tires opposite other brands on the same car. 34% said their Michelins lasted longer than the other makes they were using.

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**"No matter what tires you are now using, we promise you more mileage if you will buy MICHELIN TIRES of us!"**

- FACT 1**—Written reports have been secured from over 1500 motorists picked entirely at random except that all were testing various makes of tires opposite Michelins. 81% said they secured more mileage from their Michelins than from the other tires they were using.
  - FACT 2**—In Detroit, the home of the automobile, in a vote taken among all of the 984 tire dealers, more dealers voted for Michelin as the best tire than for any other make.
  - FACT 3**—During the past three years Michelin sales have grown three times as fast as the tire industry as a whole. Something more than words did that.
  - FACT 4**—Records covering over a million miles show that, on an average, Michelins give 36% more mileage than other tires.
  - FACT 5**—Back in 1895 Michelin was the world's first pneumatic auto tire. Today Michelin is still first, and over 25,000 tire builders are kept busy trying to supply the great world-wide demand for Michelins.
- But in addition to quality there's another factor—Price. We sell Michelins at the price of standard tires. Think of that. Then ask yourself: "Don't I owe it to myself to give these fellows a chance?"

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BROWN STILL CONTINUES ITS UPWARD CLIMB

Taken as a whole, West Texas daily average oil production decreased last week 4,350 barrels. At the same time Brown county increased its daily average over the previous week from 20,665 to 21,955 barrels.

Table with columns: Field, Past Week, Prev. Week. Lists oil production for various fields like North Central West Texas, Central West Texas, West Texas Plains, and Panhandle.

Table with columns: Field, Past Week, Prev. Week. Lists oil production for various fields in the West Texas Plains region.

Table with columns: Field, Past Week, Prev. Week. Lists oil production for various fields in the Panhandle region.

Table with columns: Field, Past Week, Prev. Week. Lists oil production for various fields in the United Tire Co. section.

United Tire Co. Receives Carload of Dayton Tires

The United Tire Company of Brownwood received a carload of Dayton tires Wednesday, which was one of fifty cars to arrive in Texas this week.

Chamber of Commerce Hold Brief Session Wednesday Afternoon

The Chamber of Commerce held a brief session Wednesday afternoon. The matter of joining forces with the Young Men's Business League was discussed, but nothing of a definite nature was done.

Careful Observance of Prohibition Law Asked of Officials

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Strict personal observance of the prohibition law by all government officials, governors of states and public servants who have sworn loyalty to the constitution was demanded in the platform adopted today by the mid-winter conference of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

COUNTY JUDGE DAVIS GOES TO AUSTIN TO BOOST AUTO TAX BILL

County Judge E. M. Davis went to Austin Monday night to look after the bill that proposes to give to each county in Texas all the tax raised by automobile registration.

Judge Davis is secretary of the Texas County Judges and County Commissioners Association, and at the first meeting of this organization which was held at San Angelo, he introduced a resolution to the effect that the county automobile tax ought to be kept in the county where it originates.

DENISON MAN KILLED AND FOUR JAILED

DENISON, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Frank Dyer, 35, of Denison, was shot and killed at the home of Henry Coleman, seven miles east of Madill, Oklahoma, early this morning.

SHERIFF AND 5 DEPUTIES ARE ARRESTED

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Sheriff Paul C. Bryan of Broward county, his five deputies, seven Fort Lauderdale policemen and a number of other persons were arrested here last night in a series of raids conducted under the direction of R. E. Tuttle, prohibition administrator for this district.

BANGS IS HUMMING AS OIL DEVELOPMENT NEAR TOWN GROWS STEADILY

Bangs is booming, according to Charles Palmer, the town's mayor, who was here Saturday attending to business matters. The development of oil fields in the vicinity of Bangs has caused an increase in property values and the volume of trade in the community has grown tremendously.

Extension Air Mail Service Is Contemplated

DALLAS, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Extension of the Chicago-Dallas air mail route to Houston and Galveston is contingent on acceptance by the government of a bid for the Chicago-New York route, C. P. Braun, Dallas manager of the National Air Transport, Inc., stated here Thursday.

Dismal Weather Continues Today at Wichita Falls

WICHITA FALLS, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Continued damp weather with the mercury hovering around the freezing point prevailed in Wichita Falls and North and Northwest Texas Thursday morning.

WILL FRISCO RIGHT OF WAY LAND REVERT?

On February 6th, according to published notice in the newspapers, the operation of trains over the tracks of the Brownwood North & South railroad will cease and while no statement has been made as to just what is to be done or what may be done the supposition is that the line will be abandoned, and the steel taken up.

Now the question arises—and it is a good one at that—what is to become of the right-of-way of the Brownwood North & South railroad in event it is abandoned and no more trains are operated on or over it?

There is much talk along this line just now and many suggestions have been offered one way or another. If there is a law on a precedent by the terms of which a railroad company, after abandoning the operation of its trains, over a right-of-way that was bought and paid for by citizens in order to have trains operated on and over it, can still hold such right-of-way even after ceasing operation of trains, and even should no track be taken up it would be a good idea to point it out so those who helped build the Brownwood North & South road in 1910-1911, may have the satisfaction of knowing just where they are in premises.

Oldest Citizen of Texas Dies at Age of 117; Son is 76

CIRCLEVILLE, Tex., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The state lost perhaps its oldest resident when Hannah Rolla, who was 26 years older than the republic of Texas, died here this week. She was 117 years of age, a native of South Carolina.

COWS STRIKE

SACO, Maine, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The cows went on strike in this vicinity today as a protest against the cold wave. Palmer Brothers, dairymen, received word from farmers who send them their supplies that by the thermometer registering 24 below zero many of the cows had refused to yield any milk.

Poultry Show Held Here in 1925 Still Boosting Brownwood

In a recent issue of The Poultry Press, a newspaper published at York, Pennsylvania, and circulating throughout the United States, there is an abundance of interesting poultry news, and among other interesting items is the picture of Dark Cornish Pullet, and under the pullet in large letters are these words:

Pat C. Dismukes Dies in Dallas Wednesday

Pat C. Dismukes of Dallas died at 2:30 on Tuesday afternoon in the Baylor Hospital in Dallas. The funeral will be held on Friday morning at ten o'clock in Waxahatchie, Mrs. L. M. Busby and Mrs. C. M. Carpenter, sisters of Mr. Dismukes, left Wednesday night with Mr. Carpenter for Waxahatchie to attend the funeral.

Steel Worker is Crushed to Death at Houston Today

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Fred Haluska, 25, structural steel worker, was crushed to death Thursday when he was caught between an upright support of a horizontal crane and the crane pulleys.

WOODWARD BILL TO BE REPORTED BY WEDNESDAY

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Bitter feeling was apparent for the first time this session in the Senate today when the body ordered the committee on criminal jurisprudence to report by Wednesday on a bill by Woodward of Coleman.

Members who favored compelling the committee to make a report stamped as "damnable" the practice of committees in "arbitrarily smothering" bills in their sessions without giving the Senate an opportunity to act.

The ghost of "Fergusonism" which previously had not entered to disrupt the Senate, was paraded. Woodward's bill, which seeks to repeal the rule of evidence and virtually nullifies the search and seizure act, must be reported on by the committee on criminal jurisprudence by Wednesday, under the order failed in roll call after roll call on proposed amendments and substitutions.

The row started when Woodward introduced a motion to take the bill to repeal the rule of evidence from the committee, because he said, a majority of the committee had "smothered" it.

Wirtz of Seguin, one of the committee members who had voted to postpone action on the bill until the "first Monday in March," injected the "Ferguson" issue when he took exception to Woodward's remarks. Wirtz is known to oppose the proposed repeal of the amnesty act, enacted during the Ferguson administration.

Action on Love's bill to repeal the amnesty act, probably will not be taken until Senator Hall and the others who are absent return to the Senate, Lore said.

Hospital Notes

W. L. Cooper, a ministerial student of Howard Payne College, underwent a minor operation in a local surgical institution Wednesday, and according to latest reports is resting well.

Gage's Body to Be Returned to Chicago Soon

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The body of Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury under President McKinley and Roosevelt, who died at his home here yesterday, will be returned to Chicago next spring for burial.

Tuscola Man Killed When Car Overturns

ABILENE, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—William E. Culpepper, 25, Tuscola, was instantly killed and John Minatree, also of Tuscola, was seriously and perhaps fatally injured when the small touring car in which they were riding overturned Wednesday night.

MIKE HOGG TO SEEK SEAT IN LEGISLATURE

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Brite of Marfa Made President Livestock Men

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 27.—(AP)—L. P. Brite, Marfa, Texas, was today elected president of the National Livestock Association, succeeding C. M. O'Donel, Bell Ranch, N. M., who was named an honorary vice president.

Other officers elected were: Vice president, William Pollman; Baker, Ore.; second vice presidents H. G. Boyce, Arizona; Hubbard Russell, California; George Russell, Nevada; Victor Culbertson, New Mexico; Charles E. Collins, Colorado; Charles D. Carey, Wyoming.

Driver Injured When Two Cars Crash Together

Two automobiles, one driven by Roy Davis and the other by Lew Hebel, crashed together during the hour today at the intersection of Austin Avenue and Fisk. Mr. Davis was driving south on Austin Avenue and Mr. Hebel was driving towards the business district on Fisk, and the two cars collided with great force.

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STATE AID ARE MADE BY SCHOOL INSPECTOR

After a careful review of the reports made by each of the rural schools in Brown county applying for state aid, in order to maintain the seven-month school, the state supervisor of rural schools has recommended to the state department that \$16,965.00 be allowed the schools of the county for the present school term.

There are many requirements that a school must meet in order to be eligible for state aid, chief among which is a minimum tax rate in the district of not less than seventy-five cents on the \$100.00 valuation. A school that employs a teacher with a certificate below a first grade is not eligible and the salary of the teachers must comply with the state law; and many other requirements must be met.

The teachers of the county have been forced to borrow money on their vouchers most of the time this year, as there is no money in the available school fund. Supt. Swindle expects to receive money from the county taxes by the first of February, and an allotment from the state is expected soon. If the money from these two sources comes in as expected, it will no longer be necessary for the teachers to discount their vouchers in order to get their salaries at the end of each month.

Miss Atwell, the state supervisor of rural schools, who visited the Brown county schools with the County Superintendent last week, has recommended to the state department that each school receive the following amount of money to help them maintain a seven-month term:

Table listing school names and amounts: Lost Creek \$390, Wolf Valley \$375, Grosvenor \$375, Concord \$500, Gap Creek \$129, Willow Springs \$275, Jordan Springs \$420, Thrifty \$555, Antioch Union \$250, Rice \$460, Anderson \$400, Delaware \$400, Ricker \$400, McDaniel \$255, Jones Chapel \$375, Turkey Peak \$400, Mukewater \$400, Clear Creek \$385, Cedar Hill \$385, Chapel Hill \$165, Woodland Heights \$450, Zephyr Ind \$1,090, Pleasant Ridge \$285, Center Point \$470, Dulin \$480, Russell \$270, Blake \$700, Delaware \$255, Mt. Zion \$470, Salt Mountain \$435, Cottonwood \$250, Union Grove \$475, Elm \$200, Holder \$435, Salt Branch \$445, Winchel \$440, Coggin \$440, Beard \$355, Brooksmith \$700, Honea \$245, May Ind. \$900, Blanket Ind. \$1,000. Total \$16,965.

Steel Worker is Crushed to Death at Houston Today

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Fred Haluska, 25, structural steel worker, was crushed to death Thursday when he was caught between an upright support of a horizontal crane and the crane pulleys.

Gage's Body to Be Returned to Chicago Soon

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 27.—(AP)—The body of Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury under President McKinley and Roosevelt, who died at his home here yesterday, will be returned to Chicago next spring for burial.

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BUREAU MEMBERSHIP MEETING SATURDAY WILL BE IMPORTANT

There will be a Farm Bureau membership meeting Saturday afternoon, January 29, at two o'clock, in the district court room, according to O. P. Griffin, county demonstration agent. At this meeting reports will be made by W. R. Means of the Salt Branch community, D. W. Kyzar of the Barber community, and H. G. Lucas, vice president of the state organization of the Farm Bureau, and secretary of the Brown County Farm Bureau, all of whom were delegates to the state convention of the Farm Bureau, held recently in Dallas.

Following the reports of these men, pending legislation before the state legislature and Congress will be discussed by Mr. Griffin, leading the discussion. The farm relief bill that is now before the Congress will be the center of this discussion. The crop lien bill that is being introduced before the state legislature now in session at Austin, will come in for a share of the discussion Saturday. The latter provides a method for the Farm Bureau and other co-operative marketing systems to handle mortgage crops. This bill provides that the Farm Bureau or any similar organization become responsible for the payment of any mortgages on cotton or other crops handled by them, and to assure the payment of these liens, the Bureau would be required to make bond in favor of the state department to cover the amount of the total mortgages against the crops that they handle.

A very interesting and instructive meeting is forecast by Mr. Griffin and he is very anxious that all the members of the Farm Bureau in Brown county be present Saturday afternoon.

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16,609,517 Bales of Cotton Ginned Prior to January 16 According to Census Bureau Report Just Issued

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Cotton of the 1926 crop ginned prior to January 16 totaled 16,609,517 bales, counting 611,652 round bales as half bales and excluding linters, the Census Bureau announced today.

FAVORABLE ACTION ON LIBEL LAW CHANGE FORECAST AT AUSTIN

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Favorable committee action is forecast for tonight on the Petsch bill to amend the Texas libel laws. The committee on judiciary has an open meeting scheduled for 7:30 p. m. to consider recommendations on the proposed measure.

In his message to the legislature, Governor Moody favored changes in the present law. The House yielded again to pressing committee business and was in recess until 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Committees are working night and day now. Tonight the committee on municipal and private corporations will meet for further consideration of the public utilities bill by Representative Nat J. Dallas, seeking to place practically all public services under regulation of the railroad commission.

Interest in Scouting Work Is to Be Revived in Brownwood Troops

Interest in the work and activities of the Boy Scout organization in Brownwood is to be revived. At a meeting a new scoutmaster undertook in a satisfactory way the reorganization of three patrols which are: First Patrol, George Belt, patrol leader; Sam Cox, assistant patrol leader; Oswald Daugherty, Clyde Norris, and Glen Byrd, Second Patrol, Lewis Finley, patrol leader; Walter Denman, assistant patrol leader; Arthur Evans, Harry Saunders, Melvin Coston, Gaither B. Browning, Lynn Shaw, and Russell Brown, Third Patrol, J. A. Tibbets, Jr., patrol leader; Gus Hanna, assistant patrol leader; Charles Lou, Clinton Saunders, Donald Salter, Chester Britton and Jack Schluter.

Russell Brown still holds his former position as scribe. No junior assistant scoutmaster or senior patrol leader has been selected as yet. The next meeting is Friday night of this week.

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NEED SPEED RECORD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—What is believed to be a new speed record for handshaking at the White House was made today by President Coolidge.

MOTOR CARS REPLACED

RAYMONDVILLE, Tex., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Motor car transportation on the railroad from Raymondville to Rio Grande City, on the Mexican border, will be replaced by a steam train beginning tomorrow. A San Antonio sleeper will be carried over the new line of the Missouri Pacific from here as far as Edinburg.

COLD WAVE BROKEN

TCPEKA, Kan., Jan. 27.—(AP)—With the north wind switched to the south, the cold wave in Kansas was broken today.

Rising temperatures were reported throughout the state. Concordia reported the lowest, 18 degrees above zero, while Goodland, usually the coldest station, reported 20 above.

Baptists Confer on Education

Telling the Baptist denomination of its educational needs in words so plainly spoken that they were almost blurted out, Dr. George W. Trustett of Dallas, well known to all Brownwood people, delivered two masterful sermons at the auditorium of the Howard Payne College Tuesday.

In his address Dr. Scarborough showed just how much the Baptist schools of Texas owed, and also their assets, with the following number of students. The following schools were named:

Baylor University, Baylor University Scientific School, Baylor College, Howard Payne College, Southwestern Seminary, Decatur College, Burlington College, College of Marshall, Rusk College, Wayland College, San Marcos Academy, with a total asset value of \$9,967,775; with a total debt of \$3,522,744, with total number of teachers, 288, and 5,410 students.

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Everywhere it was stated that the people regardless of denomination, or even regardless of whether they belong to any church organization or not, are rallying to the cause in a way that is very encouraging. Dr. Trustett told of one man, who belongs to no church, and after reading the tract which explains the campaign, immediately handed out his check for one thousand dollars.

of the budget. This demands also the most sacrificial giving upon the part of everybody, for ours is an unparalleled undertaking, such as Baptist editors in other states have declared is so vast as to take one's breath away. "Unless God shall pour out His Spirit upon us mightily, we are foredoomed to defeat," writes Dr. Trustett in a private letter. "But we are to hail our task, not as an irksome burden, but as a high and challenging privilege."

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Dr. L. R. Scarborough who delivered an address in advance of Dr. Trustett explained the campaign in detail. He told how the various institutions belonging to and operated by the Baptist denomination of Texas were in a debt of about six million dollars. He told how this matter had been taken up and discussed by Baptist leaders as the best means of liquidating, or raising the funds with which to liquidate. The matter was referred to a committee.

to say what should or what should not be taught in the way of religion, there would be an objection on the ground that their right to worship God as they please or not at all if they did not choose to do so. This constitutes liberty the speaker said, and for this reason, any attempt to fuse the functions of church and state would certainly result in grave danger, and confusion worse confounded. The speaker then showed to what extent men and women who had graduated from church institutions were filling the missionary fields with earnest and persistent workers, whereas the state institutions were not sending out any missionary workers. This was mentioned by way of showing that the great missionary efforts of the Baptist denomination throughout the world must be accomplished by and through the denominational schools and that being true the work of the denominational schools and the state schools is two entirely different propositions.

People Must Be Educated. Dr. Trustett declared the people must be educated in the presentation of the conquest campaign, in other words must be informed just what it means and what it hopes to accomplish. This must be done by meeting the people face to face and presenting the situation as it is. The entire address—two addresses of Dr. Trustett, one in the forenoon and one in the afternoon, as well as the magnificent address of Dr. Scarborough and the other speakers may well be summed up in the words of Dr. H. H. Carroll, now dead, who delivered a never-to-be-forgotten address at the laying of the corner stone of Howard Payne administration building, on September 16, 1890, using these words:

"As long as men believe in God and pray, you can not divorce religion and education. Ask the chronicles of all the ages. Has any nation ever had the power to effect this divorce? And the answer comes from every shore, barbaric and civilized. None whatever in this world. Indulge as much skepticism as you may, yet, always everywhere, man is a religious being. He worships something, somebody; he bows before some altar; he owns allegiance to some religion. You might challenge the archives of the universe for a conception in vain. Then you can begin to realize why it is that we support religious education. You would rather see the earth open up and gulp you all down and smack its black lips in vengeance over your graves; you would much rather the Atlantic and Pacific oceans were oceans of fire and that they would meet in tidal wave and swallow up everything in one great general conflagration than to see the result of things as they would exist were a complete divorce of religion and education to take place."

This is eloquent indeed, but the golden-mouthed orator in his most sacred flight could never make as convincing an appeal for Christian education as Howard Payne College has done by its consecrated, cultured Christian men and women sent forth from its halls into a needy world. They are on every hand to demonstrate the priceless worth of religion, joined to education. And at no time in its thrilling history has it presented such a challenge to Texas Baptists.

Texas Baptists may be assured too from the record of the years that the progressive city of Brownwood and the alert interested friends of that locality will match the beneficence of any group.

FUNERAL HELD FOR PROMINENT TEXAS JURIST. HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Funeral services for Justice Norman G. Kittrell, 78, distinguished jurist, member of the legislature under Harris county, author and editorial writer of the Houston Chronicle, who died at his home here Sunday, were to be held on Monday. Officiating ministers included Bishop Clinton S. Quin of the Episcopal diocese of Texas.

Honorary pall bearers embraced Governor Dan Moody and state officials, judges of the supreme court, court of appeals, judges of the court of criminal appeals at the appellate courts, the bench and

GARRETT TAKES TAX FIGHT TO HOUSE FLOOR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The democrats today carried their tax fight to the floor of the House when Representative Garrett of Tennessee, the minority leader, placed upon the speaker's table a petition to take the \$135,000,000 Garner tax reduction bill from the ways and means committee, where republicans voted more than a month ago to pigeon-hole it.

Real Estate Transfers

WARRANTY DEEDS. T. W. Dwyer to Mrs. Fannie P. Howard, 15 acres H. T. & B. Railroad Company survey, October 3rd, 1911, \$2500. Mary Allcock et vir to Continental State Bank of Rising Star 60 acres H. P. Brewer survey, January 20, 1910.

ROYALTY DEED. W. L. Phagan to Cleo Callaway 7-64 interest 714 acres J. H. DeGado survey, May 22, \$425.

OIL AND GAS LEASES. Southern Methodist University to Ross Drilling Company 1/2 interest ten acres T. J. Swindle survey, January 8, \$100. Mrs. Lou Tweddie to W. J. Sowell 1/2 interest 24 acres Michael James survey, December 21, \$250.

ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL AND GAS LEASES. J. W. Sorrells to William McGinley, all rights 120 acres H. Rhodes survey, December 22, \$1. Mrs. M. D. Davis et al to J. W. Sorrells 1/2 interest 144 acres James Bird survey, December 21st, 1926, \$1584.

Seventy-five persons and organizations own airplanes privately in Iowa, the National Aeronautical Association finds.

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Abney & Bohannon. A better grade of Men's Wool Socks, per pair .39c.

AUSTIN HIGH STUDENT DIES BULLET WOUND

AUSTIN, Jan. 25.—(AP)—With a bullet wound through his brain, Clarence Dubose, 18 year old student of Austin high school and son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dubose, was found dead Tuesday in a machine shop near the Austin aviation field.

KATY PLANS SPEND LARGE SUM IN TEXAS

DALLAS, Jan. 24.—(AP)—The Missouri-Kansas-Texas will spend \$2,174,328 on its property in Texas in 1927, President C. Hall, of St. Louis, said here today.

Most of the money will be spent on improvements to track and existing structures, he said, now new construction with the exception of a freight house at Houston being contemplated.

INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET IS DISCUSSED, PANS ARE ADOPTED SATURDAY

At the call of Director General J. R. Stalcup of the Brown County Interscholastic League, the executive committee met in Brownwood High School Saturday, January 22, at 10:30 o'clock, for the purpose of arranging definite plans for the various contests of the County Meet.

The following officers and members of the executive committee were present: J. H. Stalcup, director general, presiding; Temple Dunn, director of debate; Mrs. E. J. Miller, director of essays; Mrs. Francis Merrill, director of music memory contests; J. L. P. Baker, director of athletics; J. Fred McGaughy, director of elocution; J. Oscar Swindle, director of rural arithmetic; J. S. Armstrong, visitor.

On motion and second, J. Oscar Swindle was elected secretary of the meeting by acclamation. Members present in the League was discussed, and the secretary was authorized to organize the rural schools and urge them to join the League and participate in all county events possible.

was instructed to try to procure the First Church of Christ for holding the declamation contests at County Meet on April 2.

The date set for boys' basketball tournament was February 5th, same being the last Saturday before the District Meet, which is February 1 and 12.

MORTUARY

BENJAMIN H. NORWOOD. Benjamin H. Norwood, one of the last of the faltering ranks of the Confederate veterans, died Monday night in the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. J. Coley, at 1207 Vincent Street. Mr. Norwood was born January 15, 1844, and was therefore, just 82 years of age when he was called from the battles of life. Mrs. Norwood had preceded her husband to the grave three years ago.

family and was a member of the "E" of that organization. He was honorably discharged from the service at the close of the war. His record throughout the years of the war was unblemished, and many honors were bestowed upon him, although he fought for a losing cause. He has been permitted to live to see the great Southland rise from the ruins of war to one of the greatest sections in the world. Few have or ever will be permitted to witness such a change and growth in any section of the world, as has been accomplished during the more than four score of years spent on earth by the deceased.

By unanimous agreement all the judges for other contests are to be selected by the respective directors of each division, and the names of all judges are to be submitted to the director of the County Meet, prior to the County Meet.

The funeral services were held from the residence at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday and will be conducted by Elder L. J. Barfoot, of the Brownwood Bible Students. Internment was made in the Greenleaf Cemetery immediately following the services in the home. The deceased had lived in Brownwood for three years, having come here from Snyder, where he was one of the pioneer settlers in that part of the state. He is survived by three children; two sons and one daughter, they being: George F. Norwood, Huff, Texas; W. A. Norwood, Medina, Tex.; and Mrs. J. T. Coley, 1207 Vincent St., Brownwood. Besides these children there are 13 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren to mourn the passing of so noble a grandparent. The many friends in Brownwood and Snyder join with the family in paying the life so well spent, and an honored veteran in a Lost Cause.

FORMAL OPENING Saturday, January 29th. Same Location at 209 Fisk Street, Brownwood. NEW MERCHANDISE—NEW ARRANGEMENT COME BACK TO YOUR OLD TRADING PLACE. 50 SILK DRESSES for Spring \$15.00 Grade \$9.98. 50 SILK DRESSES for Spring \$7.50 Grade \$5.37. 25 Beautiful New SPRING COATS \$15.00 Grade \$10.95. Assortment of New SPINNING HATS \$7.00 Grade \$2.98. Men's Suspenders, a good grade, extra length. 23c. Men's Handkerchiefs, a regular 5c seller, for only 3c. Men's Dress Pants, very low at \$2.87, \$3.79, \$5.94. Men's Hats, Big 4 and Lalocs, \$5.00 quality, for only \$2.39. Boys' Bradded Pants—we are going to sell them for \$1.29. The Best Grade of Overalls for the boys . . . 74c. Men's Overalls, a very special bargain at . . . 87c. Boys' Fancy Socks, worth a lot more, but priced at . . . 24c. Men's Wool Socks, per pair . . . 23c. A better grade of Men's Wool Socks, per pair . . . 39c. Pepperel Sheeting, per yard . . . 39c. Blankets, heavy ones . . . \$1.65. House Dresses \$1.50 grade . . . \$1.19. Fancy Blankets, \$2.50 grade . . . \$1.98. Truck Towels, good ones . . . 8c. Bath Towels . . . 17c. Outing, 36 inch, regular 25c grade . . . 15c. Children's stockings, for only . . . 18c. Old Ladies' Comfort Shoes, \$1.79 only. 50 pairs \$6.00 Low Quarter Shoes . . . \$3.93. Boys' Basketball Shoes, crepe sole . . . 93c. Ladies' Belt House Shoes . . . 69c. Little Babies' Socks, per pair . . . 9c. Ladies' Heavy Winter Stockings . . . 24c. Ladies' Honey Lisle-Socks . . . 23c. Boys' Fleece lined Union . . . 71c. 25 WASH DRESSES \$3.00 Grade \$1.79. 20 WASH DRESSES \$3.50 Grade \$1.98. 10 GINGHAM DRESSES Long sleeves, full cut \$1.98. 20 SCHOOL DRESSES \$1.50 Grade 98c. NORWOOD'S STORE

Announcing A NEW, PROMPT, THOROUGH TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT. Years of experience, represented by the personnel of this new plant assures you of the highest grade cleaning, pressing and tailoring service. Work will be promptly called for and delivered. Parcel post work is solicited, and efficient, prompt service guaranteed. Our work will be characterized by the thoroughness with which it is done. We believe one trial of us will make a permanent customer of you. In addition to our cleaning and pressing department, special attention will also be paid to difficult tailoring operations, repairing, etc. MAIL ORDERS SOLICITED. Graham Hotel Tailors 100 Brown St. Near Graham Hotel. PHONE 1784. REX GAITHER, Proprietor.

# Broken Threads

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## WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

To the home of Prof and Mollie Elwell in Candeville, Ind., one night in October of 1898, comes Martha Dalton, a nurse, bearing with her a woman who had fainted on the train on which Martha had been traveling.

Elwell is an artist. He has a son, Jim, aged five. Late that night twin girls are born to the woman, who dies without revealing her identity. Her attire had indicated she was a person of refinement and wealth.

The story then moves forward to June, 1916, and the reader is introduced to Jim Elwell, now 22, and his father's partner, and to the twin girls, who have been adopted by the Elwells. They are now seventeen, and one of them has been named Margaret, and nick-named Rusty; the other, Elizabeth, is called Betty.

To Jim the girls are just kid pals, although they are growing to beautiful womanhood. The three go out on a hunting expedition in the woods one afternoon and Rusty, venturing ahead of them, slips on a rotten log. She falls, the log strikes her head and then the wild screams of the girl.

**NOW BEGIN THE STORY**

CHAPTER V

Like a flash Jim Elwell tore in through the weeds and undergrowth, past Betty, who stood in astonishment. He reached the other girl just in time to catch the swooning form in his arms. Picking her up as if she were no heavier than a baby, he turned and rushed back to the clearing near the first pond. Betty was already there. Jim laid the limp figure on the ground, flat on her back.

"Help me to get her shoes and stockings off quick," he cried. "She's been bit on the leg, probably."

He tore off the low shoe from the right foot. Then catching the stocking above the knee he jerked it free from its fastenings and pulled it off. Betty, too, was working fast and a second later had the other stocking off.

"Here it is," Jim said quietly as his keen eyes caught sight of two tiny punctures in the calf of Rusty's right leg. "Gimme that scarf on your head till I put a tourniquet on. We gotta stop the poison from going up! You take my hat, Betty, and get some water out of the pond. Be careful not to get any of that green slime in it."

The girl was trembling like a leaf but she did as she was told. She grabbed the hat from his hand and started for the pond while Elwell, doubling the scarf, slipped it under the leg just below the knee and tied it in a loose double knot. Then picking up a short stick close at hand he thrust it thru the knot and wound the tourniquet tight. At that moment Betty rushed back with the water-filled hat and Jim doused a handful or two in Rusty's face. A moment later she opened her eyes.

"Don't be scared, little pal," Jim told her, with a catch in his throat. "You've been stung on the leg but we'll have you all hunky-dory in just a few minutes."

He told her to turn over on her stomach. "Grin your teeth, old bucko, and show what a dead game sport you are."

The girl did as she was told without a word. Then Jim dug into his pants pocket and drew out his knife. He opened the big blade, which was sharp as a razor, and wiped it clean on his handkerchief.

He said to Betty, "You better move over an get hold of her head." His face was set in lines of grim purpose. She obeyed at once.

There was no hesitation in Jim's movements. The young Howler knew just what he had to do and he went about it without waste of time or lost motion.

With a hand that shook just a little he cut a slit an inch long and half an inch across the two punctures in the white flesh of the calf of Rusty's leg. The outraged flesh quivered a trifle and then was still.

A quick flow of blood welled up from the cut. Jim squeezed the flesh around it and the blood ran faster. Then he drew his handkerchief, soaped it in the water and slapped its clean portion over the wound. After a minute he lifted it off, straightened his body out as if on the ground and placed his mouth over the cut.

For five minutes he sucked the blood and poison from the snake-bitten leg, rinsing his mouth at intervals with water from the hat. Satisfied at length that he had done all he could in that way, he reached into his coat pocket and drew out the pistol.

"Turn over on your right side now, Rusty," he directed, "and swing your left leg over in front."

The girl obeyed, bringing the torn calf into position for Jim's purpose.

He nodded to Betty, who read the unspoken command and took firm hold of her sister's head. She was very pale.

Jim spread the cut with finger and thumb of his left hand. Then he cocked the gun and placed the muzzle at the top of the wound so the bullet would plow through the cut and into the ground. His own face was pale but his hand was as steady as a vice.

He pulled the trigger. The burst of the powder cauterized the wound. But he wasn't through yet. Pulling a pack of cigarettes from a pocket, he tore some open and packed the tobacco into the cut. Then he wet the handkerchief again and tied it around the calf to hold the tobacco in place.

It was rough surgery, and unscientific. Drawing the poison and blood out and tourniqueting the leg had been all right. But in burning the wound with gun powder he had outraged science and courted a worse danger—tetanus.

But Jim was no doctor. All he knew about such matters was from listening to snake bite lore from others. That he remembered all these things, and did them, was a tribute to his coolness and presence of mind.

He stood up. "Bring along her shoes, Betty, and my hat," he instructed, and then picking up his wounded pal in his arms he started up the path, followed closely by the other who, now that the greatest danger was over, was fighting hard to



"I'm goin', Mollie," Jim told his mother.

kept down the jobs that kept coming up in her throat. Rusty lay as still as a mouse in Jim's arms, and he stopped once to look in her face, thinking she had fainted. But her eyes were open. She said never a word.

The time Jim had made with his coat cut in getting out to the woods was improved on considerably in getting back to town, where Rusty was turned over to old Doc Palmer, now well past sixty, the same old Doc Palmer who had ushered the twins into the world on that cold October night more than seventeen years ago.

The doctor gave the snake bite his undivided attention for some fifteen minutes, frowning when he saw the bits of gunpowder embedded in the girl's flesh. "Hush, hush, watch that!" he turned to Jim with a smile. "You did just the right thing, Jim." To Rusty he said, "How do you feel now? Does it hurt pretty bad?"

It did, Rusty informed him.

"Well, if Jim had waited to get you here first you'd have had a mighty sore leg by this time and been awful sick at the tummy!"

Rusty was able to laugh, in spite of the pain in her leg, and to kiss Jim.

That evening in the Elwell home after the excitement had died down and Rusty was resting on the sofa, Jim turned to Betty with a little grin.

"Well, kiddo," he said, "we didn't shoot an' fanny it today but we shot a calf just the same, didn't we?"

Betty giggled and nodded her head. Rusty pouted her pretty lips. Jim's mother reproved him: "Now, Jim, it's hardly fair to tease her."

Summer's golden days flitted swiftly by in the carefree lives of Jim Elwell and the twin girls. And war's black clouds rolling in from the east grew bigger and blacker as autumn approached.

October came, and with it the twins' birthday. Eighteen now and young women, Mollie and Prof sighed as they calmly lamented the swiftly passing years, and there were times when Prof's eye was troubled as he contemplated the two glorious young things as they flew around the house in pursuit of Jim.

November's chill and the icy winds of winter came, and there were times when Prof's eye was troubled as he contemplated the two glorious young things as they flew around the house in pursuit of Jim.

Then a day in April came and the long-expected news was hurled to the world at last, spread across the front pages of the city sheets in eight-column screams:

**"U. S. DECLARES WAR AGAINST GERMANY."**

Jim Elwell carried the paper home with him that afternoon. "I'm goin', Mollie," he told his mother. She uttered not a word of protest, but when he kissed her she clung to him fiercely for a long minute and the eyes which she turned quickly away from Jim were wet.

She had known it for some time. Jim had told Prof months before that when war was declared he was going to enlist. And the elder Elwell's heart surged with pride, albeit he shared some of his wife's misgivings.

But Rusty and Betty saw things from a younger viewpoint, and a weaker philosophy of life. Joyous young singing in their hearts shrank back appalled when the dark shadow of war struck across the threshold of their home. Patriotism, they were willing to admit, was a grand and noble attribute, but when patriotism reached out its hand and collared their pal Jim, then—well, then it was a war horse of an entirely different color.

But just like millions of other mothers, wives and sweethearts, throughout the country, these two girls had to stand back helpless and impotent when their heavy hammer struck the knell of the coming death to many of their fondest hopes.

"War," Sherman is credited with having said, "is Hell!" And Sherman

## Blanket

Senior League program for Sunday, January 30, 3:30 p. m.  
Subject: Building On The Best in World Faiths.  
Leader, Leo Ramsey.  
Song.  
Scripture lesson, Acts 17:22-31, by leader.  
Prayer.  
Song.  
Paul's Test with the Athenians, Lois Fuller.  
Appreciating the Good Wherever Found, F. B. Porter.  
Room for All, Rev. W. E. Harrell.  
Open discussion, What Would You Say to the Statement that Every Race Has the Religion Best Suited to It?  
Song.  
Announcements.  
Benediction.

Members of the League regardless of the weather.  
There will be a play given at the High school auditorium next Friday night by some of the High school pupils. The name of the play is "Fountain of Calvary." The play is laid in Kentucky and the story is of a young girl who married for love in order to prove that money is not essential for happiness. There are two good negro characters and lots of comedy. Every one is urged to come to the proceeds will go to the basket ball boys. Admission 25c and 50c.  
Cast of characters: Mrs. Marjorie Merkle, Cornelia Dalney; Alta, (her daughter), Maurine Bird; Ruth, (piano), Elizabeth Betty; Dinah Johnson, Thelma Wilford; Ractus Johnson, Beryl Switzer; Bernard Gullion (hero), Chas. Switzer; Joe Brown, detective; Luther Caraway; Albert Campbell, villain; J. P. Storm; Kate Van Tyle, a cook; Frieda Knudson.

While the weather was gloomy outside Mr. and Mrs. Luke Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Henderson and Mrs. McClung enjoyed several hours singing at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bird Sunday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Hale went to Santa Anna one day last week to visit Rev. Pleasant and family. They report having enjoyed the visit very much.

Last Sunday was such a bad day there was no Sunday school at the Presbyterian church. There was 23 present at the Methodist Sunday school and 201 at the Baptist. No preaching at either church.

J. F. Miller received a message on Monday stating that his mother had died at Allen. He left Monday night to attend the funeral. The many friends of Mr. Miller sympathize with him in his bereavement.

Mrs. Sam Beasley has recovered after a recent operation for appendicitis and her many friends are glad to see her in town again.

Bora to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thomas last Wednesday a ten and one-half pound boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd of Lavan and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce McCartney of Farmersville spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Betty.

Last Saturday Roger Boler sold his job of hauling from the station to Irvin Boyd and he will devote all his time to farming and stock raising after the first of February.

Mrs. S. E. Lacy is on the sick list this week. We hope she will soon be all right again.

Mrs. Jim Eoff received a message a few days ago that brought the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. Jackson. She was killed in a car accident in Burk Burnett. Mrs. Jackson formerly lived here and the people of this community sympathize greatly with the bereaved loved ones and friends in this time of great sorrow.

A good of sadness came over the people of this community Monday when the home of the late Mrs. Taylor, nee Miss Melba Swindle, had died. She was a sister of Prof. J. Oscar Swindle and attended school here, year before last. She has a host of friends here who mourn her going away and offer sympathy to the sorrowing loved ones.

The roads were so muddy Rev. Harrell did not go to Zephyr Sunday to fill his appointment in the Methodist church at that place.

## Bangs

B. C. Stephens, one of our pioneer settlers and well respected citizens is reported to be suffering with a case of flu.

Forrest Gilbert was a visitor to Candeville, last Thursday.

Bad Thompson has purchased the home formerly owned by Miss Myrtle Gaines and has recently moved with his parents to the same.

Kathleen Strange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange is up after an attack of measles.

Word was received here Sunday by relatives of the death of Mr. Jim Chandler of Fort Worth. Mr. Chandler is the son of Mrs. Callie Chandler and has other relatives here to mourn his demise.

Janita, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Marlett, we are glad to report doing nicely, after a very severe case of measles.

Mrs. J. H. Creech of Thrifty visited here all day guest of Mrs. Chester Wilson last Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. Harris is reported very sick at her home here.

Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Sonendriker left last Tuesday night in answer to a message of the serious illness of the doctor's mother. They returned Friday night, stating that his mother was better.

Mrs. N. L. May of Fort Worth was a visitor here last week. Her daughter, Robert Martin and wife of Brownwood visited relatives here the first of the week.

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Mrs. and Mrs. Earl Fitzgerald visited Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Nann of the Barber locality Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wilson are visiting Mr. Wilson's brother at Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Koch are rejoicing over the arrival of a new daughter in their home, who will answer as Mary Elizabeth.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Swindle Monday, January 23rd and claimed their daughter, Mrs. Horace Taylor. She had been sick eleven days with pneumonia, following measles, and even though every thing possible was done she could not survive this attack.

"Melba," as she was known to her many friends in Bangs was a member of the graduating class of 1926, and was voted the place of Class Beauty. Her charming ways endeared her to all with whom she came in contact. Her Christian character was such that she left an example which was an inspiration to her loved ones and friends. The last moments of her life were spent in bidding good bye to her husband, and parents, and telling them to meet her in heaven.

## H. G. LUCAS RE-ELECTED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF FARM ORGANIZATION



H. G. LUCAS

H. G. Lucas, vice-president of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, returned from Dallas Saturday morning where he with two delegates from Brownwood, W. R. Means and E. W. Kygar, had been attending the seventh annual convention of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Lucas being vice-president of the organization; W. B. Farris was re-elected vice-president, while L. R. Campbell of Ellis county, was re-elected secretary.

The convention was the largest and best in the history of the organization, according to the opinion of Mr. Lucas, and much good was accomplished. The McNary-Haugen bill now pending in Congress was endorsed. Several important speakers were present and delivered talks that were well worth hearing.

The delegate elected for the Brownwood district was Frank McCormick of Coleman, a man who is well known to the people of Brownwood as he comes here frequently. This annual session lasted three days instead of two as heretofore and every moment of time was occupied with features of importance.

## TWO MEN LOOT TICKET OFFICE OF INTERURBAN

HOUSTON, Jan. 24.—(AP)—Police Monday had made no arrest in connection with the \$2,100 robbery of the interurban ticket office of the Galveston-Houston Electric Company in the business district about midnight Sunday. W. L. Sasser, 22, night-cashier, was locked in the vault by the robbers. He said he heard a noise at the rear of the office, after he had closed it and while he was checking his cash.

He went to investigate and as he stepped into the rear room, the lights were snapped off and he was confronted by two shabbily dressed men. One of them pointed a gun at him. Using a flashlight and holding the pistol on him, the man backed Mr. Sasser into the vault and forced him to face the wall.

The Banges Drug Company, Messrs. Harlesson and Flynn, managers, have sold their store here to Messrs. Snap and McMurry. Mr. Snap was formerly with the Renfro Drug Company of Brownwood and Lolo McMurry is well known here, and has been in the employment of the Bell Drug Store for three years, and needs no introduction to the Bangs people.

There has been ten loads of piping unloaded here this week and three well rigs.

The little four month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgie Matlock died Monday morning at five o'clock and funeral services were held Monday at their home.

The play which was given Friday night was enjoyed by all who attended.

Ted Gist spent Sunday in Zephyr. Miss Myrtle Stinson, who has been visiting her sisters at this place, returned to her home in Lampass Sunday.

Rev. Harrell was visiting in Zephyr last Thursday.

Last Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock there was a shower given to Mrs. Russell Matson in the High school auditorium. The shower was given by Miss Mary Howton. Those who attended were Misses Lula and Helen Cunningham, Marzell Boland, Lona Lee Bingham, Ida Petty, Margaret (Galley), Eloise Cabbler, Virena and Myrl Stinson, Beatrice Butz, Mrs. D. F. Petty, Mrs. Author Driskill, Mrs. J. L. Boland, Mrs. T. L. Kimball, Mrs. M. T. Daniels.

Mrs. E. L. Henderson spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. O. E. George.

Mrs. Boler and two daughters spent Saturday in Santa Anna.

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Sugar Pure Cane, 25-pound Bag . . . . . \$1.90

Compound \$1.12 Flake White, White Cloud, Swifts Jewel, 8-lb. bucket

Compound Any Brand, 16-lb. pail . . . . . \$2.00

Oatmeal White Swan or 3-Minute, large size, ea. 23c

Peaches Evaporated, Extra Choice, 10-lb. Box \$1.95

Raisins Market Day Special 4-pound Box . . . . . 43c

Figs Choice Cooking, 3-lb. Package . . . . . 35c

Coffee Pecan Valley 3-lb. Bucket . . . . . \$1.68

Coffee Peaberry, Best Grade, per pound . . . . . 35c

Lady Alice Coffee 41c In 1-lb. pkg., guaranteed to be as good as the best.

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The port chapters of the American Red Cross, that rendered such excellent service during the World War, will be on duty at the ports of embarkation on this side to give first aid to Legionnaires...

The Salvation Army will be on the job with some 200 French ladies who saw service during the World War selling doughnuts and coffee...

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### STUDENT FEES ATTACKED BY SENATE BILL

AUSTIN, Jan. 25.—(P)—Fees collected from students of all state educational institutions will be placed directly in the state treasury and their expenditure controlled by the legislature in a bill submitted Tuesday by Senator I. D. Fairchild of Lufkin...

Holbrook of Galveston, who fought Love's successful resolution, finally changed his vote from no to yes with the statement that he expects to attempt reconsideration and its eventual defeat.

### Export Corporation for Handling Rice Has Been Organized

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 22.—(P)—Formation of the American Rice Export Corporation, with headquarters in New Orleans and branch offices in Crowley, Lake Charles, Beaumont and Houston was announced here today.

### IT DRIVES OUT WORMS

The surest sign of worms in children is paleness, lack of interest in play, fretfulness, variable appetite, picking at the nose, sudden starting in sleep...

### DEPUTIES FROM JONES COUNTY HERE ON TRIAL OF HI-JACKERS OUTFIT

J. A. Adams and Toby Adams, deputy sheriffs from Jones county, were in Brownwood Friday and were on the trail of hi-jackers who had escaped from their county.

The Jones county officers are of the opinion that this same gang have operated in Brown county late, especially do they think that members of the gang were responsible for several Santa Anna burglaries and hi-jackings.

A series of robberies, burglaries and hi-jacking have taken place lately in the oil fields, and members of the gang now being sought have been seen at different times in and near the Fry field.

### Rates on Sugar to Texas Points Held Too High

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(P)—Rates on sugar to the cities of Marshall and Jefferson in Texas were held today by the Interstate Commerce Commission to be unreasonable and reductions were ordered.

### Selecting Jury for Murder Trial in Bryan Court

BRYAN, Tex., Jan. 25.—(P)—Five jurors had been selected at noon today in the Sledge Houston trial at Bryan, Tex.

### Kentucky Bank Closed Result Heavy Shortage

SHELBYVILLE, Ky., Jan. 25.—(P)—The People's Bank and Trust Company here was closed today by S. A. Phillips, deputy state banking commissioner.

### Only Few More Days in Which to Get Tax Receipt for Voting

Only a few more days remain in which to get a poll tax receipt which will permit the holder to vote in any election in Brown county or the city of Brownwood this year.

### JURY VERDICT FREES MORRIS IN MURDER CASE

AUSTIN, Jan. 26.—(P)—Dr. J. Frank Norris, fundamentalist pastor of Fort Worth, tonight will receive the congratulations of his congregation at the First Baptist church of that city on his acquittal here last night of the murder of Dexter E. Chipps, lumberman.

The acquitted pastor will conduct prayer meeting services at the gathering tonight, which was announced at a meeting of 350 persons summoned by the radio station of the church within a few moments of the report of the jury at Austin last night.

Dr. Norris said today he was still in his gethsemane, and declared he never had been in doubt as to the verdict in his favor.

### Real Estate Transfers

WARRANTY DEEDS A. N. Lovelace to Julian Emison, 160 acres Concho county school land survey, January 21, \$5100.

MINERAL DEEDS A. L. Smoot to N. B. Babin 1-258 interest 142 1/2 acres Albert Scott survey, January 21, \$10.

OIL AND GAS LEASES Dee Belvin and wife to N. H. Hill 1/2 interest 83 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, JJune 24th, \$10.

ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL AND GAS LEASES C. M. Root et al to C. W. Hoffman et al all rights 15 acres C. J. Pugh survey, January 18, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 159 acres Clear Creek and Mukewater ranch, December 17, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 109 1/2 acres G. W. Pentecost survey, December 17, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 95 acres G. W. Pentecost survey, December 17, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 119 acres Richard Nixon survey, December 17, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 43 acres Caldwell county school lands, December 17, \$1.

E. W. Price to Milham Corporation of Texas all rights 12 1/2 acres E. Humphrey survey, December 21, \$1.

Wood W. Graham to C. Andrade III all rights 30 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, October 2, \$1.

W. J. Holloran to L. E. Doan et al all rights 33 acres John Robnett survey, November 13, \$1.

W. G. Sawyer to A. J. Broderick all rights 200 acres Roland Honeycut survey, January 18, \$1.

George H. Campbell et al to C. Rosenfield et al 1/2 interest 30 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, December 16, \$1.

Joseph Burt et al to J. N. Arvin et al all rights 160 acres Brook Smith's lands near Trichham, December 1, \$1.

B. D. Boyson to Mexana Oil Company all rights 80 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 10, \$1.

George M. Anderson to R. F. Moonenham 1/4 interest 10 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, May 6, \$1.

George M. Anderson to Fred E. Hess 1/4 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, December 30, \$1.

C. Andrade III to C. Rosenfield et al all rights 30 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, December 16, \$1.

George M. Anderson to R. F. Moonenham et al 1-16 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, December 30, \$1.

Dee Belvin and wife to N. H. Hill 1/2 interest 83 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, JJune 24th, \$10.

C. A. Cavel et ux to D. H. Byrd 1/2 interest 48 1/2 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, January 11, \$10.

A. L. Cavel and wife to J. E. Beall 1/2 interest 55 acres J. F. Collier survey, January 11, \$10.

Mrs. J. F. Gaines et al to C. C. Bishop 1/2 interest 75 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, January 5, \$10.

Mrs. M. A. Wren et al to E. H. Gehlke 1/2 interest 40 acres H. T. & B. Railway Company survey, September 8, \$10.

A. L. Curry et ux to Mrs. Susie P. Honea 1/2 interest 33 21-160 acres James Kinney survey, January 15th, \$747.25.

J. T. Gilbreath and wife to T. E. Brown 1/2 interest 53 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 19, \$10.

C. M. Root et al to C. W. Hoffman et al all rights 15 acres C. J. Pugh survey, January 18, \$1.

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INSPECTION OF RURAL SCHOOLS IS FINISHED BY STATE OFFICIAL County Superintendent J. Oscar Swindle and Miss Selby Atwell, state inspector of rural schools, completed their visits to the Brown county schools last Friday. The purpose of the visits was to determine the amount of state aid to be granted each district. Miss Atwell stated that she found all of the state aid schools in good condition, and with very few exceptions all the requirements for aid from the state department had been met.



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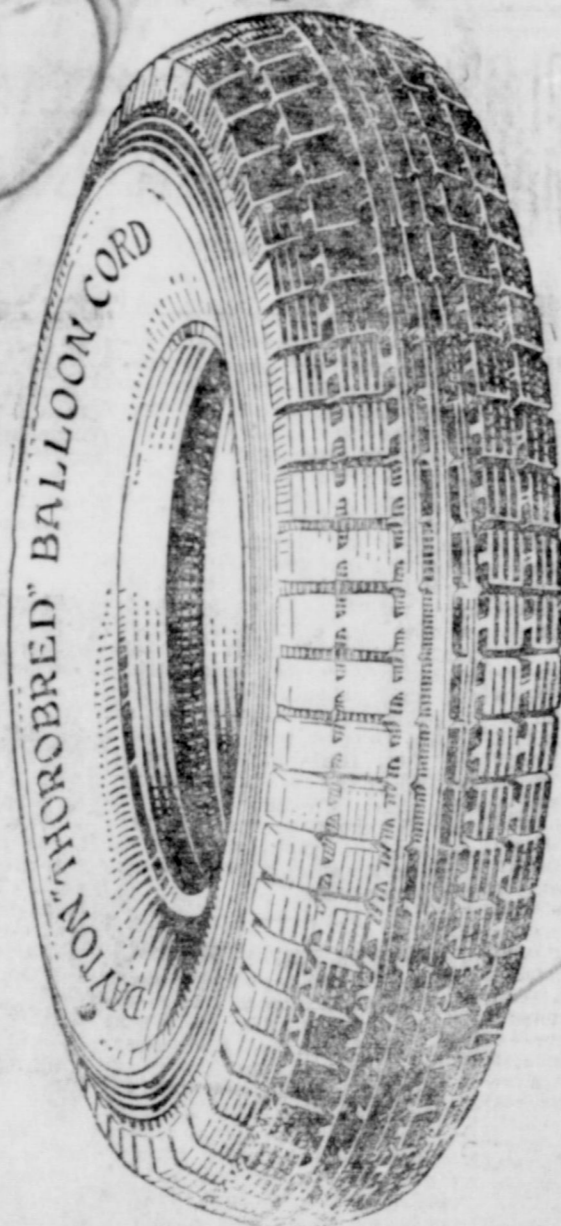
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31X4 Dayton Thorobred	\$17.45
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32X6 Dayton Thorobred	\$54.50
32X4 1/2 Dayton Thorobred	\$24.85
32X4 1/2 Dayton Thorobred	\$25.85
34X4 1/2 Dayton Thorobred	\$26.85
36X5 Dayton Thorobred	\$29.75
32X5 Dayton Thorobred	\$31.85

PHARIS CORDS	
30X3 Pharis Cord	\$6.50
30X3 1/2 Pharis Cord	\$6.90
30X3 1/2 Oversize Pharis Cord	\$8.45
32X4 Pharis Cord	\$14.65
32X4 Pharis Cord	\$14.85
29X4.40 Pharis Balloon Cord	\$11.70

DAYTON BALLOONS	
29X4.40 Dayton Thorobred	\$12.85
27X4.40 Dayton Stabilized	\$11.45
29X4.95 Dayton Stabilized	\$16.40
30X4.95 Dayton Stabilized	\$18.50
30X5.25 Dayton Stabilized	\$21.50
31X5.25 Dayton Stabilized	\$22.50
30X5.77 Dayton Stabilized	\$25.50
32X5.77 Dayton Stabilized	\$27.60
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## SEVEN DEAD IN EXPLOSION OF ACETYLENE GAS

TURNER, Idaho, Jan. 27.—(AP)—A match and an inquisitive investigator seeking the cause of a mysterious leak, last night caused the death of seven persons and the serious injury of probably more than a dozen spectators who had gathered to witness a basket ball game between the Turner team from Central, Idaho.

Estimates are that between 200 to 300 persons from the two communities had gathered to witness the game, which was played in a one-story frame building used by the Latter-day Saints (Mormon) congregation as a church and recreation hall.

During the progress of the game the acetylene gas lighting system failed and the hall was plunged into darkness. James McCann, janitor of the building, one of the dead, went to investigate. Some one, whose identity has not been established, lighted a match. Instantly there was a blinding flash, and, as nearly as can be learned from the confused and stunned witnesses, the walls at the rear of the building collapsed, dropping the plaster ceiling upon the crowd.

There was a rush for the single exit at the front of the hall and the greater part of those in the building had made their way to safety when the front walls of the structure gave way, crushing those near the exit.

The dead:  
James McCann, rancher, Turner, Idaho, (janitor).  
Brigham McCann, rancher, Turner, Idaho.  
Three small sons of James McCann (names not available).  
Elmer Anderson, Central, Idaho, player.  
Iral Lowe, Central, Idaho, player.

A third son of James McCann, the janitor, died today as a result of burns and shock.

## Few Changes in Men's Clothing Are Necessary

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Fashion's edict for the men who uphold America's distinction as the best dressed nation on earth during 1927 was delivered to the annual convention of the national Association of Merchant Tailors of America today by its fashion committee, headed by A. Lincoln Stabler of New York.

Few radical changes in the trend of style were noted, although the committee found many small details of men's dress torown upon and a number of careless practices to censure. Chief among the latter is the wearing of light colored overcoats and bright colored hats with evening clothes, a fault which the committee declared was "very noticeable." Another fault was the combination of the opera hat with the tuxedo or dinner jacket.

## Many Moves Will Be Effected When Kunitz Building Is Finished

The new brick building, being built by Oscar Kunitz, fronting on Anderson Street, is nearing completion, and it will be one of the prettiest as well as one of the most substantial buildings in Brownwood, adding much to the looks of the locality in which it is located, and at the same time helping Brownwood to take an important step forward along the line of general and substantial improvement. It will probably be about February 15th before all the stores in the building will be occupied.

Henry Buck, the tailor, for seven years in business at the same place in the Arcade block, will occupy the corner store. Mr. Buck kept at Kunitz a long time, urging him to construct the building now nearing completion, so that he might have the corner store. Kunitz says in fact that Henry Buck is the real cause of building the new brick edifice. The second store will be occupied by Skinner & Sessions as an insurance office, the third by the Odum Tire Enterprise and as yet the fourth occupant—that is, the fourth store, has not been announced, but probably will be within the next few days.

It is understood that all companies will occupy the stores made vacant in the Arcade building by Buck and the Odum tire people.

## Traveling Salesman Is Transferred to Brand New Territory

J. G. Herblin, well known citizen of Brownwood for the past seven years, and one of the leading members of the local Post of the United Commercial Travelers, has been transferred to San Antonio, and his territory will be in the valley of the Lower Rio Grande, including quite a large area on the Mexican side of the river. Mr. Herblin is getting ready to leave Brownwood, and he says it is with much regret that he does so, as this town to him certainly does seem like home. He came here from the world war, where he served overseas as lieutenant, went to work immediately and has been on the job every moment since his arrival.

Heretofore Mr. Herblin has been traveling out of the branch office of the San Antonio Machine and Supply Company, making Waco his headquarters, but now he is to travel out of the general offices at San Antonio, into new and larger territory.

# MITCHELL & HOOPER NEW SELF SERVE GROCERY

We are glad to say that since our opening we have enjoyed a very liberal patronage, and are well pleased with the response to our offerings to the people of the entire community.

Again we are listing a few specials, and have many more not mentioned here that will please you.

- Onion Plants, 300 for 25c
- 8 lbs. Lard, per pail \$1.00
- 25 lbs. Cane Sugar \$1.76
- 10 lbs. Cane Sugar 76c
- 10 Bars P. & G. Soap 38c

We Want Your Country Produce  
Will pay you highest market price  
**SPOT CASH**

WE ARE GIVING A SPECIAL INVITATION to every person in Brown county to visit our new and modern, "SELF SERVE" Store, let us get acquainted and save you money on your groceries.

## MITCHELL & HOOPER

Cash Is King  
Corner Fisk and Baker Sts.  
Opposite Austin-Morris Co.

## AMERICA IS READY TO NEGOTIATE NEW TREATY WITH CHINESE PEOPLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The United States has notified all Chinese factions and the powers signatory to the Washington conference treaties that if proper delegates can be agreed upon in the worn-torn country it stands ready to transact, either in concert with other nations, or alone, if necessary, a new tariff and extra-territorial treaties with China.

However, until new treaties are negotiated with "somebody representing China," and ratified by the Senate, "existing pacts can not be abrogated."

These are the cardinal points in Secretary Kellogg's long-awaited Chinese policy declaration, made public last night in the form of a "statement" and making no mention of the British memorandum on the subject, to which it had first been planned to be an answer. The pronouncement was made public simultaneously in Peking, Hankow and Shanghai.

Protective Measures  
It pointed out that American nav-

al forces will be held in Chinese waters to protect American life and property in event the "Chinese authorities are unable to afford such protection," asserted the United States had watched with sympathetic interest the "nationalist awakening of China," and expressed a desire to observe strict neutrality as between Chinese factions and to deal with that country in "a most liberal spirit" as to treaties.

All that was required of China, the statement said, was protection, and "equal opportunity with the citizens of other powers to reside in China and to pursue their legitimate occupations without special privileges, monopolies or spheres of special interest or influence."

No Concessions Held  
While the statement on its face did not develop any wide variance of viewpoint with that outlined by the British, it did point out that the United States held no concessions in China. On this point, President Coolidge believes there is some ground for differences in American and British policy in dealing with China.

The statement also asserted the United States "has never manifested any imperialistic attitude" toward China, and said the only question before it in considering a new treaty was "with whom it shall negotiate."

**SAVE with SAFETY at your Rexall DRUG STORE**

Friday and Saturday Specials  
We have a big line of Specials to Offer  
Camp-Bell Drug Co. and Peerless Drug Co.  
The Rexall Drug Store

# Gray Gas Well Estimated 6 to 10 Million Feet

## STARTS ACTIVE OPERATIONS IN NEW TERRITORY

The well of T. H. Gray of Fort Worth on the L. W. McDonald tract, nine or ten miles southwest of Brownwood, which was reported as flowing a million feet of gas after being drilled two feet into the sand the latter part of last week, greatly increased its flow after being drilled seven feet into the sand, and the estimates of various ones who have visited the well place it at 6,000,000 to 10,000,000 feet—most of them, perhaps, being around seven and eight million.

The total depth of the well is 711 feet, the sand having been encountered at 704 feet.

This proving to be a good commercial gasser, it is stated, no further attempt will be made to make an oil well of it, though there is a good showing of oil and drilling for oil will soon begin on the lease, and other locations are being made around it.

Mr. Gray, who returned from a visit to Fort Worth this morning, states that new casing is expected to arrive today, and that casing will be set and the well cemented and the fittings put on to shut it in.

### In New Territory

The Gray well is south of the Childress pool. It encountered four gas sands before striking the big flow, with two showings of oil, according to the report of the log of the well. The only water found was at 250 feet, and no salt water was found. The Clear Creek sand was expected at 750 to 780 feet and the Childress sand at 835 to 850 had not the drilling been stopped by the big gas flow.

Mr. Gray states that drilling on his 40-acre lease will proceed,

though he has no definite announcement yet as to plans or locations. He thinks another gasser will probably be drilled on the other end of the tract and then drilling for oil began.

As stated last week, this well is in new territory, and it is generally said, offers good prospects of opening a new pool. Leasing has been especially active in the vicinity of the new gasser, one lease having changed hands four times in the last two days, it is stated, at an advance in price each time.

### Fosdick and Bishop in New Offices in the Southern Hotel

C. C. Fosdick and C. C. Bishop have fitted up a handsome office in the lobby of the Southern hotel. They state that oil men coming to Brownwood are invited to make themselves at home there.

### Mexana to Drill on Lowe Tract in Robertson Survey

The Mexana Oil company is preparing to drill on the 140 acre Lowe tract of the Robertson survey northeast of the Henshaw and Rex Pyramid leases in the Fry field, states W. J. Halloran, vice president of the company.

The well is to be spudded in by the 26th of this month, if the weather permits.

The Mexana's No. 3 Eddington in the Cross Cut field is drilling at 750 feet.

### NELSON WELL AT 750 FEET

The well of Cyril D. Nelson on the Adams survey, Section 10, on the Brown and Coleman county line, is drilling at 750 feet.

### SAWYER DRILLING AT 900

The Sawyer well on the D. E. Walker survey, northwest of Bangs, is drilling at 900 feet.

## DAILY AVERAGE OIL IN U. S. ABOVE 2,000,000 SINCE OCTOBER 2ND

Following is the daily average production of oil in the United States since October 2, according to the figures of the American Petroleum Institute:

Week Ending—	Daily Av.
Jan. 22	2,388,650
Jan. 15	2,390,950
Jan. 8	2,389,850
Jan. 1	2,385,400
Dec. 25	2,402,350
Dec. 18	2,396,700
Dec. 11	2,396,250
Dec. 4	2,388,900
Nov. 27	2,391,250
Nov. 20	2,379,450
Nov. 13	2,348,850
Nov. 6	2,357,050
Oct. 30	2,331,250
Oct. 23	2,286,250
Oct. 16	2,234,150
Oct. 9	2,204,200
Oct. 2	2,194,250
July 24	2,079,950

### Real Estate Transfers

**WARRANTY DEEDS**  
Riley Alewine and wife to John S. Sheffield 90 acres E. Humphries survey, November 16th, 1908, \$3420.

C. H. Jenkins to Mrs. Annie May Johnson 1/2 interest one lot on Main Avenue, January 25, \$1.

Hugh T. Latham and wife to J. W. Latham lot 3 block 27 Marion Avenue, January 21, \$900.

Edward Lee et ux to S. D. Hunter part of outlot 183 city of Brownwood, May 12, \$1500.

Leo Mayfield to A. C. Cox lot 15 block K Tannehill's addition, Jan. 8, \$850.

J. V. Read et ux to Mand Ingram lot 1 block 12 Brooke Smith addition, June 8, \$850.

J. W. McCarver et ux to O. L. Powell part of lot 2 block 24 Cugin addition, November 1st, 1926, \$600.

John S. Sheffield et al to Riley

Alewine 90 acres E. Humphries survey, November 20, 1907, \$2900.  
J. H. Sheffield to J. S. Sheffield 180 acres E. Humphries survey, November 26, 1908, \$1462.00.

**MINERAL DEEDS**  
H. P. Martin and wife to John Cox 1-16 interest 60 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 13, \$10.

**OIL AND GAS LEASES**  
George S. Baugh et ux to F. J. Handy 1/2 interest 52 acres L. V. Baugh survey, September 22, \$624.

**ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL AND GAS LEASES**  
T. E. Brown to C. Rosenfield all rights 30 acres S. A. & M. G. Railway Company survey, January 22, \$1.

H. V. Burton et al to Charles Henderson all rights 40 acres H. T. & E. Railway Company survey, July 12, \$1.

**Will Drill Near Old T. P. Well on the Coleman Line**  
Frank Kirk of Gorman, H. C. Fitchbaugh and C. W. Josey will drill on the R. R. Powell farm, just over the line in Coleman county half a mile north of the oil well drilled by the T. P. Coal & Oil Company. The well will be spudded within the next ten days, it is stated.

### Among the Oil Men

Tom C. Patton went to Fort Worth on business last night.

W. G. Ray of the Mexana Oil Company was operated on for appendicitis at a local hospital Wednesday and is reported today as getting along nicely.

T. H. Gray and Joe Warren returned this morning from a trip to Fort Worth.

Chester H. Brands was among those at the Southern hotel again Wednesday, after an absence from the city of several days.

## Two Teams Tied for Leadership in T. I. A. A. Race

Daniel Baker won their third T. I. A. A. game Wednesday night when they nosed out the McMurry Indians in a close, and hard fought game, the Billies winning 26 to 23. Due to their win last night the Billies jumped into a tie with the North Texas State Teachers college of Denton, each having won three association games. The Southwest Teachers college with two wins and no losses is the only other T. I. A. A. entry with a perfect record for the season. The T. I. A. A. teams stack up in the following order:

T. I. A. A. Standing	W.	L.	Pct.
Daniel Baker	3	0	1.000
North Texas	3	0	1.000
Southwest Texas	2	0	1.000
East Texas	2	1	.667
Ahlens Christian	0	2	.000
S. P. Austin	0	2	.000
Sam Houston	0	4	.000
McMurry	0	1	.000
West Texas	0	9	.000

### Southwestern Conference Standing

W.	L.	Pct.	
Arkansas	6	0	1.000
S. M. U.	3	1	.750
Texas University	2	1	.667
T. C. U.	2	1	.667
Aggies	2	3	.400
Baylor University	2	3	.400
Rice Institute	0	5	.000

### PURE OIL DIVIDEND

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Directors of the Pure Oil Company today declared an extra dividend of 12 1/2 cents on common stock, and also voted the regular quarterly dividend of 3 1/2 cents. Both dividends will be payable March 1st to stockholders of record on February 10th. This is the company's second 12 1/2 cent extra dividend.

In the Newcastle district of England school authorities often provide bicycles for pupils who live far from school.

## PLANS FOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH MAKE PROGRESS OLD CHURCH HISTORY

Among the many new enterprises on the building program for Brownwood this year is the new First Christian church which will occupy an ideal place at the corner of Center avenue and Whaley street, almost directly in front of Howard Payne College.  
Dr. C. A. Johnson, pastor of the church said today it was the hope of the congregation to make such progress in their plans that dirt would be broken and actual work on the building start about March 1, at which time appropriate ceremonies will in all probability be staged, as is generally the custom on such occasions.  
The new church will be fifty feet in width, eighty four feet in length and counting the spacious and well appointed basement and gymnasium will be three stories in height, that is to say, the main auditorium, the basement and the gymnasium. Nothing will be omitted to make this building meet all the requirements of the present and of the future for many years to come, for one of the outstanding features is that its membership and pastor desire to build for the future as well as for the present.

### Cost of Building

The cost of the building when everything has been added will be in the vicinity of \$100,000. The congregation has bought and paid for the lot, which as stated at the beginning of this article, is certainly in one of the most desirable places in Brownwood for a church building. In addition to paying for the lot, the congregation now has about \$12,000 available cash. The plan of working on the yearly building program has been adopted, so far as financing the building is concerned, and so this year it is the intention of the congregation to raise in addition to the amount of cash in hand about \$20,000. Plans for raising

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Plans for next year and later will be announced in due time. The pastor of the church, Dr. C. A. Johnson, is chairman of the building committee and Henry Mount is architect.

The educational plant or annex will be erected first and later will be on Whaley street. This annex, when completed, will be used by the congregation for worship and all their services, until the main building or auditorium has been completed.

### Old Church Has History

The church now occupied by the Christian congregation on Fisk avenue has quite an interesting history. According to the best available information it was started in 1839. The congregation was small and when the walls were completed the pews were empty. There was no floor in the building. Work was suspended until about 1896, and in the meantime mesquite trees, representing the idea of having their old time territory invaded, started vigorous growth inside the church. By and by, that is to say, about 1896, work was started again and the building was completed. The congregation was small until 1904 when J. L. Hudock, famous evangelist, came here, held a revival and added more than 100 members to the church. In later years he came back, and in order to take care of the large crowds that came to hear him the tabernacle was built.

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## TEXAS BRITISH

(By The Associated Press)

FRANKLIN—Jury to try Sledge Houston, for the slaying of Garrett White, was completed Wednesday. He pleaded not guilty.

DALLAS—Richard Johnson, negro, received fifty years in prison for burglary.

HOUSTON—Harvey Harrison, given five years in prison for failure to stop and render aid, accepted his sentence.

PALESTINE—Joe Barney, I-G. N. conductor on the train which struck the Baylor bus at Round Rock Saturday, is suffering a nervous collapse.

AUSTIN—T. E. Hubby announced his resignation as state game, fish and oyster commissioner, effective February 1.

SAN ANTONIO—A good will caravan headed by Governor Dan Moody is to leave here about April 1 for Monterrey, Mexico, the chamber of commerce announced.

FORT WORTH—Dr. J. Frank Norris, acquitted of murder, told an enthusiastic congregation that he would say some things "that should be said" in his sermons on next Sunday and drew an analogy between himself and St. Paul.

AUSTIN—Governor Moody named R. H. Baker of Austin and Houston as prison commissioner, and Will C. Hogg of Houston and R. L. Batts of Austin as Texas University regents.

Distributors of radio equipment report that devices intended to operate receivers from house lighting circuits topped their sales in 1926.

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## Our Greatest Selling Event of New Spring Coats

Spring, the joy-time of the year, is here once more! And with it is our marvelous assortment of beautiful Spring Coats, appropriate to the season. They feature the loveliest of new patterns, the brilliance of Spring's gayest colors, and the most dashing new styles.

### Gorgeous Dress and Sport

# COATS

Very **\$12.50 to \$25.00** Truly  
Especially **\$29.75 to \$75.00** Unusual  
Priced at **\$29.75 to \$75.00** Coat Values

The new, straight-line style, the fur trimmed collars, and newest in puff sleeves are among the many features.

### Fur Trimmed Coats Tuxedo Front Modes, Rich Sport Coats, New Bat Sleeves

Although our price is extremely low, the quality of these coats is in every way beyond reproach. We cordially invite you to view our stock at any time.

### The New Colors

The wide selection of colors in which these coats have been selected are gay and bright. You will be able to choose that color which is most becoming.

### The New Fabrics

All the finest fabrics—the best materials obtainable—have been used in these coats, which feature many checks and plaids.

**Bettis & Gibbs**  
"THE LADIES' STORE"

## FAVORED COLORS AND COMPOSE

"The word 'Compose' will be heard during the entire spring season 1927, in reference to colors in women's apparel.

"It means 'colors in combination.' Either several, most usually three tones of the same color or harmoniously contrasted colors. For instance, take 'cameo pink'—one of the favored colors for spring—it blends beautifully with 'rose heath' and 'cherry blossom' which are lighter and darker members of the same family. Or by way of contrasting colors 'cameo pink,' 'bladem' and 'popcorn' are a beautiful ensemble of colors which come under the French word 'compose.'

This word compose applies not only to the dress, but to the millinery and accessories as well.

### Color Combinations Important In Millinery

Color combination plays a leading role in new millinery designs, two or more tones of a single color or two or more colors that harmonize well, being used together. This idea is seen in straw bodies and felts as well. Other interesting color developments are the ombre and rainbow effects. The straws of the crocheted type and straw braids are more frequently employed to illustrate this idea.

### Hackle Feathers in Demand

A very pronounced demand has arisen quite recently for hackle feathers and novelty flat applique feathers in solid colors, they are to be found on some of the new felt models now on display. This decoration is placed generally on the right side of the hat and low down so that the feathers fall below the right ear. It is generally understood that felts are unquestionably good, and especially so when worn with the new tweed sports coats, also fancy tweed suits in the new short hoxy styles which have recently become so popular.

### Featured Colors For Spring Are:

Cameo (pink), Gull (light grey), Blue Turquoise (turquoise), Golden Poppy (orange), French Beige (sandlewood) Hydrangea Blue (periwinkle), Castilian Red (bright red), Gooseberry (Bright green), Tiger Lily (redish yellow), Monkey (pinkish tan), Bladem (lavender), Gavelin (Copenhagen blue), Bachelor Button (old rose), Popcorn (light yellow), Mother Goose (sand), Athenia (rose with a brown tint).

We can at this time advise you that our stocks are most complete, the season's latest and most popular models are here for your selection, come while styles are new and stocks complete.

Every day throughout the new season we will receive new merchandise representing some distinct advance in style. We know you cannot see all the lines that you will be asked to see, but if you see this line you will be more than satisfied without going further. Truly our merchandise more than ever represents 'smart styles at moderate prices.' BETTIS & GIBBS, you know the place.

## Buy More Than One Pair Tomorrow



## SALE OF FULL FASHIONED SILK CHIFFON HOSE

We have decided to discontinue several styles of Hosiery, and to dispose of a few odds and ends. In order to make a genuine cleanup on this merchandise, we have entered ten dozen Full Fashioned Chiffon Silk Stockings (one hundred and twenty pairs) full fashioned and silk from top to toe in all shades and sizes, to sell at only

**\$1.25 per pair**

Each sale will be final; no returns and no hose replaced. Nothing in this group but full fashioned hose silk from top to toe.

### FULL FASHION CHIFFONS WITH LISLE TOPS

We have about the same number of pairs of full Fashioned Chiffons only with the lisle top—we do not claim that they are worth as much money as the all silk top—and they are not, but we are going to sell them at the same price—because we do know that any of the lot is worth more money than \$1.25 per pair. The regular price of the stockings in this lot arranges from \$1.65 to \$2.49 and you can buy all the popular shades. No exchanges—no refunds—none replaced—This is strictly a close-out proposition and each sale is final.

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"THE LADIES' STORE"

See them in our window this evening, buy them tomorrow.

# SAVE ON EVERYTHING!

## Looney's Grocery Department

Has been rearranged for the convenience of their large cash trade arranged just right for the self-service customers. Large tags mark the price of every item, and there are baskets for your convenience. As we have said before—

**Do Not Let Anybody Tell You That They Can Either Buy or Sell Groceries Cheaper Than This Store.** This store, with its associated stores, has without question the strongest buying power of any store in this part of the state.

**LOOK—For Bargains From Cellar to Garret—LOOK**

Not for just a day or week or month, but for all time. Come here expecting to buy it cheaper and you will not be disappointed.

Salt Pork, pound	18c	Fork & Beans, dozen	\$1.10
Bacon, Breakfast Sliced	35c	Onion Sets, yellow, white, red, large stock, must sell	
Compound, 8 pounds	98c	Peaches, dried, 10-pound box	\$2.00
Flour, 48 pounds, guaranteed	\$1.90	Prunes, 10 lb. box	\$1.15
Coffee, fresh roasted, 3 pounds	\$1.00	Pecans, shelled, pound	75c
Beans, 14 pounds	\$1.00	Pecans, roasted, pound	\$1.00
Raisins, Market Day, 4 pound	45c	Figs, very choice, pound	25c
Post Toasties, or Kellogg's	17c	Syrup, Gold Medal, gallon	65c
Peaches, gallon can	65c	Karo Syrup, gallon	60c
Pickles, gallon can	75c	Syrup, Miss Lou Ribbon Cane, per gallon	85c
Pickles, per keg	\$2.00	Honey, pure, gallon	\$1.65
Keg Kraut, pound	10c	Mackerel, large, each	15c
Peaches, No. 3 California, dozen	\$3.00	Macaroni, best, 5 packages	25c



"The Big Friendly Store" Brownwood

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### RIGHT NOW IN HARDWARE

We are showing the biggest stock of Aluminum ever opened in this store, and at prices cheaper than ever before. If aluminum keeps declining in price, it soon will be as cheap as tin—but after all the most practical ware for the kitchen.

### TO THE FARMER

Harness, strap goods and collars are selling fast. The season is on. We have prepared for the rush and marked prices very close. No implements are better than John Deere and Oliver, and the transfer stock at this place is larger than usual.

### TO THE CARPENTER

Since January 1st we have completely restocked, and now a tool for every purpose is here.

### TO POULTRY RAISERS

A car of Fencing and Netting was unloaded this week, and whether it's a chicken, turkey, hog fence, or incubator.

**WE are well prepared to figure with you**

### TO ANYBODY THAT WOULD SAVE

Trade at this store for all your needs and call for **PREMIUM CHECKS** Given With Each Cash Purchase

### CLOSING OUT OF READY-TO-WEAR LADIES' SILK AND WOOLEN DRESSES AND COATS

LUMBERJACKS, LEATHER COATS  
Going at Less Than Wholesale Cost  
ALSO A FEW RAIN COATS AT BARGAIN PRICES  
Coats that sold from \$12.75 to \$17.50—  
NOW \$7.75 AND \$7.95

These coats are correct in every respect and are right down bargains.

LUMBERJACKS—Values \$2.98 to \$7.50  
NOW \$1.98, \$2.98 AND \$3.98

J. R. L. OVERALLS, heavy weight pair	98c
BUCK BRAND OVERALLS, pair	98c
DUCK PANTS, very heavy weight, pair	\$1.95
MEN'S GREY SOCKS, pair	10c
LADIES' ALL WOOL SCARFS, all colors, only	98c
Crinkle Creps BED SPREADS, 86X106, \$3.00 value	\$1.98

Complete Line of MARCELLE TOILET GOODS

### SHOES

We sell nothing but Peters Shoes, because after years of experience we have decided that we can give our customers more shoe value in this line than in any other line on the market.

Remember—A Shoe for Every Purpose, and a Price for Every Purse

Shoes for Dress and Shoes for Service

GUARANTEED NOT TO LEAK

### ASK FOR

**KORREKT KLOTHES**  
IF YOU WANT A SUIT THAT WILL FIT

## USURPATION OF AUTHORITY BY JIM IS CHARGED

AUSTIN, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Scathing denunciation of the activities of James E. Ferguson during the two-year gubernatorial term of his wife, Miriam A. Ferguson, is the dominant note of the report of the house investigating committee made public today.

The report was read Friday to the House in open and regular session by Representative Lee Satterwhite of Amarillo, chairman of the investigating committee, after an unsuccessful attempt by Representative Benham Loftin to prevent its reading. Loftin pointed out the report would be printed and could be read by the members at their leisure. Loftin was Ferguson's floor leader in the 39th Legislature.

The committee of nine was named last fall at a special session of the 39th Legislature.

made by the grand juries of Travis county and by this committee would have resulted in the return of indictments for criminal offenses. It is our opinion, further, that the only recourse under our existing laws, is by impeachment for the wrongs done to our state by the chief executive under the domination of her husband.

**Appalling Commercialism**  
"The growing tendency for commercialism in state and federal government, as well as in the minor divisions of our organized government, is appalling, and reflects upon the integrity and justice of a free and independent people.

"No private individual should be permitted to usurp the powers and functions of the governor of this state, as no private individual should be granted, nor permitted to exercise any special privileges when dealing with those in governmental authority. All should understand and know that they stand upon equal ground and any attempt to sell or purchase political influence, and favoritism should be met with prompt and just punishment."

**Read by Satterwhite**  
The report was read by Representative Lee Satterwhite of Potter county committee chairman.

Other members Williamson of Bexar, Veach of Johnson, Teer of Williamson, Powell of Montgomery, Wallace of Preestone, Fry of Gonzalez, Petch of Gillespie, and Montgomery of Hidalgo.

"The first outstanding and bold effort to commercialize the government's office came through what was generally known as the 'Good Will' edition of the Ferguson Forum, a weekly newspaper, shown to have been owned, edited and published by James E. Ferguson, his wife, Miriam A. Ferguson, his daughter, Mrs. George S. Nalle, and Miss Dorrace Ferguson, also a daughter."

After hearing the report, the House apparently was at a loss as to what to do with it. After some discussion, however, the view of Satterwhite and Teer that no action was needed, since no recommendations were made, prevailed and the report was printed in the House Journal, subject to resolutions at any future time.

The report declared the Ferguson family realized thousands of dollars from Form advertising, bought by road contractors, railroad corporations, oil companies, bankers, public service corporations, and individuals.

feminine sympathy of a woman governor.

"The limited testimony secured from witnesses, and an examination of the records of the office of the secretary of state show that practically all of the pardons granted were the result of recommendations by James E. Ferguson, who exercised the power and authority of governor of this state, in matters pertaining to pardons, as all other matters.

"The testimony shows that in the granting of these pardons that very little, if any, attention has been paid to the merit of the individual cases.

"In numerous cases, the pardons have been granted at the solicitation and request of attorneys who were favorite friends and political supporters of the governor and her husband, and we believe that the evidence, taken as a whole, justifies us in saying that for the purpose of enabling the attorney to collect fees."

**Dominated by Ferguson**  
Dealing at length into highway affairs one of the main subjects of investigation, the report said that testimony of numerous witnesses shows beyond a doubt that James E. Ferguson absolutely dominated the affairs of the highway commission while Frank Lanham, Joe Barket, and John Bickett constituted the commission.

related that the road will cost \$700,000 before it is finished, and the committee found driving over it uncomfortable.

## NATIONAL LIVESTOCK MEN ARE CONSIDERING GRADING OF MEATS

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Practically the entire morning session of the National Livestock Association's convention today was given over to a discussion of the grading of meats and announcement was made that an agreement had been reached between representatives of the National Better Beef Association and the meat packers, which provides for the establishment of two grades of beef to be known as "prime" and "choice."

This announcement was made by Oakleigh Thorne, Millbrook, N. Y., chairman of the National Better Beef Association, which is working in conjunction with the department of agriculture in the effort to raise the standard of meats marketed in this country.

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## NINETY COMPLETIONS IN DECEMBER 12,244 BARRELS PRODUCTION

During the month of December there were 90 wells completed in Brown county—49 oil producing wells, 20 dry holes and one gas well. These wells came in with a daily production of 12,244 barrels. The wells and the production of each were as follows:

- J. H. Fry, Amerada Petroleum Corporation 5,504.
- J. H. Fry, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, 6, 43.
- J. H. Fry, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, 7, 400.
- J. H. Fry, Amerada Petroleum Corporation, 8, 150.
- Kilgore Bros., Anna Belle Oil Co. 8, dry.
- Eads, Bowers, et al. 3, 90.
- Stout, Bradstreet, et al 5, 450.
- Stout, Bradstreet et al 6, 340.
- Gaines, Brown & Co. 3, dry.
- Arlidge, J. S. Cosden 3, 150.
- East Westerman, J. S. Cosden 4, 207.
- East Westerman, J. S. Cosden 6, 200.
- Williams, J. S. Cosden 6, 40.
- Woodridge, Curry & Moore 8, 50.
- Woodridge, Curry & Moore 10, 80.
- Haynes, Danziger & Rose, 2, 150.
- Carson, Dozier et al 1, dry.
- Haynes, Danziger & Rose 1, 250.
- Muse, Evans 1, dry.
- Shore, Gibson Oil Corp. 1, 30.
- Shore, Gibson Oil Corp. 2, 30.
- Moore, Gillespie 11, 100.
- Newton, Gillespie 1, 5.
- Newton, Gillespie 13, 10.
- Moore, Gilman & McMurray 10, 200.
- Teston, Gilman & McMurray 8, 50.
- Eddington, Halloran et al 1, dry.
- Lowe, Henshaw et al 4, 80.
- Lowe, Henshaw et al 5, 70.
- Byrd, Huber Oil Co. 6, 10.
- Armstrong, Humble Oil & Ref. Co. 2, 235.
- Armstrong, Humble Oil & Ref. Co. 3, 525.
- Foster, Humble Oil and Ref. Co. 7, 50.
- Harrell, Humble Oil and Ref. Co. 1, dry.
- Hodnett, Humble Oil and Ref. Co. 1, 240.
- Hodnett, Humble Oil and Ref. Co. 10, 200.
- Hodnett, Humble Oil & Ref. Co. 1-B, 157.
- Kilgore-D, Humble Oil and Ref. Co. 3, 600.
- Woodbridge, Humble Oil & Ref. Co. 100.
- Prater, H-W Drilling Co. 10, 20.
- Graham estate, Infield Petroleum Co. 2, dry.
- Foster, Kone Prod. Co. 10, 100.
- Foster, Kone, Prod. Co. 12, 150.
- M. E. Fry, Wm. Lester 9, 250.
- M. E. Fry, Wm. Lester 14, 350.
- Wood, Lloyd et al 1, dry.
- Carson, Lightfoot et al 3, dry.
- Henslee, Louisiana Oil and Ref. Co. 7, 50.

- Henslee, Louisiana Oil and Ref. Co. 8, 17.
- Foster, McKenna et al 8, dry.
- J. C. Woodbridge, McLester Oil Co. 11, 98.
- D. C. Woodbridge, McLester Oil Co. 17, 90.
- Turner, Maer & Stanforth 2, dry.
- M. E. Fry, Magnolia Petroleum Co. 6, 90.
- Prater, Midwest Exploration Co. 5, 12.
- Sattles, Midwest Exploration Co. 17, 25.
- Brinson, Moore et al 1, 80.
- Sneed, Nelson 1, dry.
- Westerman, Pandem Oil Corp. 7, 220.
- Hickman, Phillips Pet. Co. 1, 80.
- Prater, Phillips Pet. Co. 5, 5.
- Anderson, Price & Daniels 1, 125.
- Turner, Price & Daniels 1, dry.
- Perry, Ramsey & Maxey Oil Co. 1, dry.
- Stout, Ray Oil Co. 3, dry.
- J. H. Fry, Rex-Pyramid Oil Co. 1, 130.
- Sattles, Root et al 13, dry.
- White estate, Sawyer et al 4, 30.
- Matlock, Savings & Scoggins 1, dry.
- Starr, T. B. Slick 4, dry.
- Baugh, E. L. Smith Oil Company 1, dry.
- Brooks, Superior Oil Co. et al 1, 25.
- Eddington, The Texas Co. 8, 10.
- Henslee, The Texas Company, 1, dry.
- Hickman, The Texas Co. 4, 40.
- Hickman, The Texas Co. 7, 10.
- Johnson, The Texas Co. 2, 2.
- Pugh, The Texas Co. 2, 1067.
- Pugh, The Texas Co. 3, 40.
- Williams, The Texas Co. 1, gas.
- Hodnett, Tidal Oil Co. 2, 172.
- Hodnett, Tidal Oil Co. 3, 380.
- Hodnett, Tidal Oil Co. 4, 200.
- Newton, West & H-Y Oil Co. 21, 10.
- Kellar, Williamson et al 9, 50.
- Woodridge, Williamson et al 3, 150.
- D. C. Woodbridge, Williamson et al 5, 45.
- Newton, Wilson et al 1, 72.

## CONTEST FROM 1924 ELECTION FINALLY ENDED

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 24.—(AP)—Judge Ben B. Lindsey was ousted as judge of the Denver juvenile court through a decision of the state supreme court today. The high court reversed the decision of the Denver district court in contest proceedings brought by Royal W. Graham, Lindsey's opponent in the 1924 election, and held that the ouster prayed by Graham should be entered. Graham, who brought the contest proceedings a new deal.

## Public Places Are Closed to Prevent Spread of Smallpox

AMARILLO, Jan. 25.—(AP)—Theatres and churches remain closed today to prevent the spread of small pox, which is prevalent principally to the Mexican quarters here. A guard has been placed about the Mexican district to prevent residents there from circulating in the downtown district. The situation is well in hand, according to Dr. M. L. Fuller, health director, and it is believed an epidemic has been prevented.

## Hospital Notes

Pat Cagle, Howard Payne student and athlete, was taken to a local hospital early Wednesday morning for treatment, and is resting well according to latest reports.

Buell Terry, four year old son of G. W. Terry of Banks, was taken to his home from a local hospital Tuesday. It will be remembered that he was run over by an automobile about two weeks ago and received a badly broken leg. His condition was very favorable when he left the hospital.

Noel Ledbetter, four year old son of W. P. Ledbetter, of Goldthwaite, was taken to his home Tuesday after being in a local sanitarium for the past two weeks or more. It will be recalled that he was run over by his father's car and received a badly mangled arm. His condition was favorable when discharged from the hospital.

## FARMER HELD FOR MURDER OF CHIROPRACTOR

ABILENE, Texas, Jan. 22.—(AP)—P. E. Little, farmer, 29, faces a charge of murder in connection with the fatal shooting yesterday of Dr. Guy Longbottom, 26, chiropractor, on a business street at Big Spring, according to dispatches received here. Little is in a Big Spring hospital recovering from two wounds inflicted by Longbottom in the duel between the two.

Funeral services for Longbottom will be held here this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Longbottom is the son of Oscar Longbottom, Abilene merchant and is survived by his wife and one child.

Little will be arraigned for examining trial on the murder charge as soon as he is able to leave the hospital, according to Sheriff Frank House and his wounds, one in the left hip and the other in the left side of the neck, will not prove fatal, physicians stated.

Little used a double barrel shotgun and Longbottom an automatic pistol in the duel. Officers have not been able to determine who fired first or the motive behind the shooting.

The shaving mug social register still exists in a Moberly, Mo., barbershop. The proprietor has rows of handsome, gilt-edged cups, the largest collection he contends, in a Missouri barbershop.

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