

Five-Day Week Proposal Approved By Senate Committee

Employment Bill Is Sent To President

Senate Accepts House Amendment; Enlistment Begins At Once

WASHINGTON (AP)—The senate Thursday accepted house amendments to the forest employment bill and sent it to the president who expects to begin enlistment for the forest conservation work almost immediately.

Grand Jury Recessed

By Court To May 8

The grand jury of the 32nd district court recessed Thursday until May 8 after having returned three indictments. Several minor civil suits have been disposed of by Judge A. S. Turey since beginning of the present term Monday.

MRS. PINER ELECTED

Mrs. R. T. Piner was named third vice-president of the High School Parent-Teacher Association, according to a corrected announcement of Thursday. In Wednesday's Herald another lady was listed as having been named to that position.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS:

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WASHINGTON

By Paul Mallon

Soviets—

Mr. Roosevelt indirectly sounded out the Russians long ago on sending a trade commission over there. The idea was that the step would be a prelude to Russian recognition.

The Russians politely held up their Red noses. They sent back word that they would like to be treated as other nations are—no more, no less. To be investigated prior to recognition would be an insult they thought.

That delayed the steps Mr. Roosevelt had expected to take soon after he came into office. It will not change his purpose.

After that development Mr. Roosevelt called on a certain Russian expert for advice. The expert said: "The thing to do is to appoint an ambassador to Russia. Let him carry on negotiations with the czarist debris and the other things. Recognize them first and negotiate afterwards."

The man who will get great credit for hastening Russian recognition here is Boris Sikorsky, head of the Soviet Information Service. He never gets his name in the newspapers but for years he has been influential in stamping out anti-Red propaganda here. He has worked closely in an unofficial way with government officials.

The White House misses nothing in the newspapers. They grew apprehensive at the death of news from Russia recently. They noted for instance that Walter Duranty's stories in the New York Times were short and far between. They suspected censorship.

That angle was put under investigation by those who have the power to grant recognition. The Russians whispered that their troubles with the Brits probably were the cause.

Beer—
The wet organizations did not say anything publicly but they were thoroughly displeased at the fact that Tammany fostered all three wet legislation. They went to the boys in the front office and asked that hereafter someone else be designated to handle wet legislation in the House.

The national beer bill was in charge of Tammany Leader Cullen. The local Washington beer bill was led by Tammany Lieutenant Black. In between times Tam-

Young Lawyer



Sylvia Deane, secretary to Rep. Carroll Beedy of Maine, was admitted to practice before the U. S. supreme court. She is 25 and the youngest woman ever to be admitted to practice before the tribunal. (Associated Press Photo)

New Order On East Texas Is Struck Down

Court Warns Against Attempt To Make Potential Test

SHERMAN (AP)—Randolph Bryant, federal judge, today told the state railroad commission it could not go ahead immediately with its plan to open the East Texas oil field for a period of flush production and then close it indefinitely to obtain figures for use in a new production order.

Judge Bryant granted a temporary injunction, on application of the Lufkey Petroleum company, Dallas and others, restraining the commission from proceeding with its plan until a three-judge court could pass upon its validity. He also enjoined the commission from promulgating any amendments or additions or like order of similar import.

The complainants' petition alleged the original order was issued in violation of both state and federal statutes because it would provide for confiscation of property without due process of law and further declared that the action would not afford a true and accurate test.

The commission, oil regulatory body for the state, issued the order a week ago. Confronted with protests from all sides, Lon A. Smith, a member, Saturday at Houston, rescinded it, only to have C. V. Terrell and E. O. Thompson, other members, declare at Washington that they constituted a majority of the body and the order would go into effect Thursday.

James V. Allred, attorney general of Texas, then ruled that to be legal the plan would have to be put forth by a majority of the commission in the state. Soon after Terrell and Thompson completed their observations at the president's conference of oil-state governors, they left for Texas to draw up the order in accordance with the attorney general's opinion.

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Baby Bees Fed By Sterling City Vocational Ag Boys To Be Auctioned

Seven baby bees, fed by members of Sterling City high school's famous vocational agriculture pupils, will be auctioned Saturday afternoon at the court house square in Sterling City, beginning at 2 p. m. Prof. A. J. Bierchswale, the vocational agriculture teacher, has announced.

The seven animals average 800 pounds in weight.

Prof. Bierchswale and his judging team stopped here en route from Lubbock, where they took off numerous honors in Texas Technological college's eighth annual judging contests.

The Sterling City team took third in livestock judging and third in dairy cattle judging with 20 teams in the latter and 15 in the former group.

Local Operators' Chairman Resigns

Tomlinson Of Schermerhorn Holds Two Orders Nullified After Hearings Without Due Consideration Of Producers

C. W. Tomlinson of Ardmore, Okla., representing the Schermerhorn Oil company, has resigned as chairman of the Howard-Glasscock operators' proration committee and in his letter of resignation to R. D. Parker, chief oil and gas supervisor of the railroad commission, voiced complaints of the manner proration has been handled in this field.

"This action is taken partly on account of a realization of my own ineffectiveness and partly in disgust at certain rather farcical features of proration enforcement in that relatively orderly field," said Tomlinson in his letter of resignation, copies of which have been sent other operators in the local field.

Continuing Mr. Tomlinson wrote, "Twice during the past twelve months, pursuant to testimony offered by operators at general hearings, the railroad commission has ordered potential tests on a basis which would come little closer to the truth than the 2-hour tests which are now in practice in Howard-Glasscock. Twice these orders have been nullified or retracted, due either to widespread errors or inflation in the tests made, or to protests made in the field, which have been more weight with the railroad commission representatives charged with enforcement than the majority opinion of the interested companies as presented at the hearings which preceded the ineffective orders."

The remainder of the Tomlinson letter follows: "In view of these facts, it seems clear that if the commission still desires the assistance of a standing committee of operators that a committee should have a chairman residing in West Texas, who could be in frequent direct personal touch with the deputy supervisors of the commission and with the field representatives of the operating companies."

"I therefore respectfully suggest, in case the commission desires continuance of any operators' committee that you request the selection of such a chairman at the next meeting of operators, either in the field or at a commission meeting."

"I beg to express my appreciation of the unflinching courtesy you have accorded me in our numerous contracts during the past six years. If I can be of service to justice and sound policy in the state of Texas in future I shall be happy to do so. You have been very kind not to treat me at any time as an intruder, although a resident of Oklahoma."

How Strong Is The Wind Ten Miles Above Surface?

'Jever wonder how high you'd have to go to get out of one of these good, strong windy spells that once in awhile stir up the sand around these parts?

Jack Cummings, the boss of the United States weather bureau at the airport, will tell you that you might not be able to get high enough for that.

Four times every 24 hours velocity of winds aloft is measured by the bureau staff by means of balloons filled with hydrogen set free from the roof of the airport building.

The winds aloft observations have been made here daily since September 1931.

Here are the records for the period beginning then:

Maximum velocity of wind 143.26 miles per hour at 20,964.5 feet above the surface December 28, 1932.

Maximum height to which balloon has been observed 101 miles or 33,449.99 feet above the surface, September 17, 1932.

Warns Hitler Foes



Joseph Gotbbels, chief of propaganda, announced that his department will launch "sharp counteractive measures" against those responsible for reports of atrocities against German Jews. (Associated Press Photo)

'Backsliding' Sermon Topic

Attendance Increases At East Fourth Baptist Meeting

The revival at the East Fourth Street Baptist church continued Wednesday evening with increased attendance. The evangelist, Rev. W. C. Ashford, preached on "Backsliding." The basis for his thoughts was taken from Jeremiah 3:22 and First John 1:8. Rev. Ashford discussed his subject from the following points of view:

"1.—What is backsliding? Backsliding, the term itself, is spoken of in the Old Testament. It means turning from Jehovah to the world. Its corresponding equivalent in the New Testament means broken fellowship with God. Unsaved people can not backslide. They have nothing to backslide from. Many of our seemingly devoted Christians may be backsliders. A man may be a regular attendant at Sunday school and church services and still be a long way from God.

"2.—Who are children of God? The child of God is one who has been redeemed from the curse of the law. In Gal. 3:13 we read, 'Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us.' We are also redeemed from all iniquity. Titus 2:14 reads, 'Christ gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity.' The redeemed man is he who has passed from under the law. In Rom. 6:14 we read, 'For sin shall not have dominion over you, for ye are not under the law, but under grace.'

"3.—Bible cases of backsliding. Lot made the wrong decision. He chose the wrong people for his associates. He and his family suffered the results of his backsliding. David looked on a woman wrongly. He looked, he acted, he sinned, and judgment flowed. His heart was torn asunder. He suffered the rest of his life for his awful sin. Peter followed the Lord afar off. He denied his Saviour. He cursed and swore he never knew his Lord. Judas too, sold his Lord for thirty pieces of silver. But herein is shown the difference between the sin of a Christian and a man who knows not God. Peter confessed and wept bitterly. Judas hanged himself in remorse.

"4.—God's cure for backsliding. The Father has promised forgiveness to his child who asks forgiveness. 'If we confess our sins' is an expression that applies to the Christian. We must realize our backsliding and ask the forgiveness of our Heavenly Father. God will not let his children backslide indefinitely. He will punish, chastize his child, even to the extent of taking his life.

"5.—God's purposes of chastisement. All chastisement, or forms of affliction, are not punitive. God may inflict his child and thus refine his Christian sensibilities, make him a more devoted, consecrated child. The lives of Christians invalids have often borne out this testimony. And then God's punishment may be punitive. It may cost the Christian dearly, possibly the life of the dearest loved one. But Father will bring us back into the fold."

The minister made his appeal and three professors of Christ and two, a man and wife, joined the church on promise of baptism.

HELD FOR BURGLARY

Fred Winst and Webster Carter were being held in county jail Thursday in connection with burglary of furniture from the A. L. Wood house. No charges had been filed at noon.

150 Expected At Banquet Tonight

Lagging Ticket Sale Picks Up During Day, Reports Show

With a table spread for 150 and Col. Ike Ashburn due here at 6 p. m., everyting was in readiness Thursday afternoon for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet beginning at 8 p. m. in the Settles Hotel.

Ticket sales took a sudden upward spurt Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. They may be purchased from any member or director until banquet time this evening. The office in the Settles also has a supply left.

Those who are inclined to get too serious during the affair will likely be ushered out, those in charge said. The program will open with a few brief remarks from the local president.

Ray Simmons is to stage a one-man production when he puts on "Brutally Frank."

To relieve the tedium a male quartet composed of Way-e Martin, O. L. Thomas, Bob Utley, and Seth Larson will wait a few harmonious strains on the Rev. Shettleworth, new pastor of the First Christian church, will offer the invocation.

Mrs. Bruce Frazier will lead a vespertine sing song accompanied by Mrs. Harry Hart.

"Something Different," a skit with a mystery cast, will furnish one of the high points of the program. Col. Ashburn will make the one and only address of the evening.

Several out of town visitors will be present including H. F. Davis, former Chamber of Commerce secretary, J. C. Watson, field executive of the Texas Good Roads Association, John Hendrix and D. A. Clark of Sweetwater, Paul Vickers and W. G. Riddle of Midland, and a host of Foran citizens. Invitations were extended to representatives from Lamesa, Odessa, Colorado, Abilene, Lubbock, and San Angelo.

T&P To Offer Special Rates To Convention

Round Trip Fare To Be One Way Rate Plus Twenty-Five Cents

Special rates on the Texas and Pacific line will be in effect for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention to be held here May 11, 12, and 13, Frank Jensen, general passenger agent of the line, has announced.

Round trip fare will be fixed at regular one way rates plus twenty-five cents, he said. Tickets will be on sale May 30, 31, and 12 and will be good until May 15.

Scout Executives Meet Here Friday

Executive board meeting of the Buffalo Trail Council originally scheduled for April 10 will be held here Friday 7 p. m. in the Settles hotel, Dr. J. R. Dillard, vice-president, announced Thursday.

All local committee chairmen will be invited to attend the meeting along with regular members of the board.

Council camp site and all related subjects, program for the jamboree, and finances will be discussed in the meeting here.

Lloyd M. O'Neal, deputy regional executive, will be a special guest at the meeting.

Cunningham And Philips No. 3 Store Improved By Recent Installations

Cunningham and Philips No. 3 in the Petroleum building has added a five foot extension to its fountain and installed an electric cooling system in connection with a fully equipped sandwich department. Counter stools have been added, heavily cushioned.

Favorable Report Given Bollworm Bill By Committee Of Lower House

The house committee on claims and accounts this week gave a favorable report on the measure introduced by Rep. Penrose B. Metcalf and others providing for reimbursement to farmers of Howard and neighboring counties of losses suffered because of pink bollworm regulations that were in effect for several seasons prior to 1931.

The appropriation asked in the measure is \$500,000. Bills designed for the same purpose were killed in the last two legislatures. Governor Da. Moody vetoed the first on the ground it was unconstitutional.

Governor Sterling vetoed the other, giving as his reason that amendments passed in the senate and approved by the house hiked the total appropriation to \$1,000,000, by adding provisions for payments to stock raisers in East Texas due to tick eradication rules.

Representatives of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce and of other towns in the affected area appeared before the house committee recently to urge passage of the bill.

Six-Hour Day Also Would Be Put In Effect

Legislation Would Be Effective In 15 Days Extend Two Years

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Black five day week, six-hour day bill was approved by the senate judiciary committee Thursday.

The measure was introduced last session by Senator Black of Alabama. It would compel industries to enforce the shorter work week.

The legislation would become effective thirty days after enactment and remain in force two years.

Farley Asks People To Give Suggestions For Helping Service

Jim Farley, the "new deal" postmaster general, wants suggestions from the public and the employees of the service for improvements in service and for savings in expenditures.

Such suggestions will at all times be given careful consideration.

Thus he writes in a message addressed to patrons and employees of the postal service, sent from Washington and received here Thursday.

His message follows: "I extend the kindest greetings to the officers, employes and patrons of the Postal Service. In the present period of rehabilitation and recovery postal facilities must be maintained at a high standard of efficiency, but it is essential to practice every possible economy of administration. For this policy I invite the cordial support not only of the personnel of Service, but of postal patrons everywhere. Suggestions from the employes and from the public for improvements in service or for savings in expenditures, will at all times be given the most careful consideration."

Miss Hatch Selected S. S. Superintendent For First Methodist

Miss Nell Hatch was elected superintendent of the First Methodist church Sunday school at a meeting of teachers and officers of the Sunday school Wednesday night at the church, succeeding H. M. N. K. resigned. Mr. Neel was elected to the board of stewards.

Miss Hatch has been identified in church work for a number of years and her many friends wish her success in her new official capacity.

Knox City Bank Robbed Of \$1,500

KNOX CITY, (AP)—Three armed and masked burglars early Thursday looted a vault of the Citizens State Bank here of cash and securities expected to total \$15,000.

The trio forced eight watchmen, J. H. Pinyel, to accompany them to the bank. They locked him in the vault when they left. It required four hours for them to burn their way into the vault.

Betty Jean Bradbury Winner Of Third Prize

Third prize in the baby show staged as part of the Museum association's carnival here last Saturday was won by Betty Jean Bradbury. Name of another baby was listed as third prize winner in an article that appeared in The Wheel, high school students' publication, in The Herald of Wednesday.

WEATHER

Big Spring and vicinity—cane and colder tonight and Friday.

West Texas—Fair and colder with frost in the southwest portion tonight, Friday fair and colder except in the northwest portion.

East Texas—Partly cloudy except thunder showers in the extreme east portion. Colder tonight, Friday generally fair and colder.

New Mexico—Unsettled and colder tonight, frost in the central and southwest portions, Friday fair and colder except in the southeast portion.

TEMPERATURES

	Wed. 10:00	P.M. 4:00
1	50	61
2	50	60
3	52	64
4	53	65
5	55	67
6	57	69
7	58	70
8	59	71
9	60	72
10	61	73
11	62	74
12	63	75
13	64	76
14	65	77
15	66	78

Maximum 83, Minimum 50.

Sunrise today 7:04 p. m.

Sunset today 7:04 a. m.

President Puts Farm Credit In Merged Bureau

Stabilization Activities Of Farm Board Are Abolished

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Roosevelt informed congress Monday of an executive order establishing all federal agricultural credit agencies under one unit. At the same time the president abolished stabilization activities of the farm board. The new agricultural financial organization will be known as the "Farm Credit Administration." It will include the farm board, farm loan bureau, various credit agencies in the Department of Agriculture and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. "Savings of more than two millions of dollars is the immediate effect of this order," the president wrote. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., chairman of the farm board, is expected to head the new unit.

Advertising Started Says Evans' Letter

Chamber Of Commerce Informed Of Project's Present Status

Bids are now being advertised for the federal building to be constructed here and will be opened April 14. Stillman Evans, fourth assistant postmaster general, advised Monday. Announcement that bids will be opened and contract let on a definite date is the first assurance the building will be started in the immediate future. Said Evans in a letter to the Chamber of Commerce: "Upon looking into the matter I find that the treasury is advertising for construction bids which are to be opened here (Washington, D. C.) on April 14." Evans is a former citizen of Big Spring.

Blast Burns L. C. Denman

Wife Of Howard County Oil Land Owner Also Injured

Friends here learned Sunday of an accident in Abilene Saturday evening which caused L. S. Denman, real estate operator and oil land owner, to suffer severe burns and inflicted a spine injury to his wife. The injuries were caused by explosion of a heater in the bathroom of Mr. Denman's home at Abilene. He was scalded over most of his body. Most severe burns were on the legs. Mrs. Denman was injured when concussion of the explosion knocked her violently to the floor. Mr. Denman had bathed in warm water and was standing in the bathroom waiting for cold water to run into the tub when the explosion occurred, knocking the bathroom door from its hinges. Mr. Denman's mother, and a son, Mervil, also were in the house at the time. Mr. Denman is owner of several sections of land in eastern Howard county on which oil production has existed for some time. He owns much of the proven acreage in the Denman-Dou pool, where drilling now is under way. Because of his frequent visit here for a number of years he is known by many local people. Mr. Denman is a brother of Mrs. Cramer, whose home is on the Den-

Dry Reports And English Peas Out For Chamber Of Commerce Banquet

Two things not promised for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet are long, dry, statistical reports and English peas. Manager C. T. Watson Monday said he could guarantee there would be absolutely no boring discourses, but could only ponder over the pea situation. The program for the entire party is to be of the humorous, fast moving type. Most serious of Thursday evening's celebration will be presentation of directors, with a 10-minute talk by the president. The Ashburn, jovial manager of the Texas Good Roads association, is confined to members of the chamber and annual directory of A. and M. Soc.

Air Slayer's Trial Is Set For Tuesday

San Benito Youth Allegedly Killed Aviator In Ship 1000 Feet Aloft

BROWNSVILLE (UP)—Earl Dodson, 17, of San Benito, nearby farming community, was scheduled to go on trial in criminal district court here Tuesday on an indictment charging murder in connection with the slaying of a flying instructor a thousand feet above the earth. The charge naming Dodson in connection with the slaying of Lehman Nelson, flying instructor of Harting, Tex., last February 23, is one of three drawn against the high school boy. A second count of the indictment accuses Dodson of complicity in the slaying of the pilot as a third with attempted theft of the plane which Nelson piloted. Trial on the latter two charges has not been set. Dodson's reputed companion in the aerial murder plot was Erin McCall, his room-mate who was four years his senior and who like himself shared prominence in the social and school activities of San Benito and nearby small towns. McCall was Nelson's student and was in the rear cockpit of the training ship when a shot was heard by witnesses who observed the plane setting a dizzy course overhead. The witnesses said the man in front cockpit slumped down as the shot rang out. McCall landed the plane and then shot himself to death. Judge George Westervelt, who will preside at the trial, has drawn a panel of 10 veniremen. The State and defense counsels have guarded the names of witnesses. D. S. Purl of Corpus Christi, district attorney, has indicated he would introduce the testimony of two school girl companions of young Dodson and McCall. At a preliminary hearing a statement from a girl was read saying the two boys planned to rob the pilot of the plane, that if necessary they would kill him and after disposing of the body in the gulf of Mexico would fly to Yucatan, Mexico. Purl's evidence includes maps prepared by McCall showing two routes from San Benito to Yucatan. He said McCall with five and a half hours flying time anticipated he could make the flight without mishap. Marvin C. Hall, one-time Cameron county prosecutor, will defend Dodson.

JAPANESE WITHDRAW

Government Forward Formal Notice To League Of Nations

GENEVA (AP)—Japan's formal notification of withdrawal from the League of Nations was communicated to the league secretariat Monday. J. N. Hewlett of the J. L. Webb Motor company left this morning for Lamesa, where he was called on account of the illness of his baby daughter.

When Is A Hill Really A Hill?

AUSTIN (UP)—Curious geology students at the University of Texas wanted to know when a mountain ceases being a hill, or in other words, when does a hill become a mountain. It all depends, quoth A. H. Dean, professor of geology, to his class a mountain one place might be called a hill in another, depending on the comparative height to the surrounding terrain. "For instance," Professor Dean continued, "the Black Hills of the Dakotas are 6,000 feet high while Mount Beaulieu, west of Austin, is only a few hundred feet high. The Black Hills would be mountains in Texas. "A mole hill would look like a mountain to people around Houston."

Riley And Cheairs Operators Of City Poultry Company

D. Shelby Riley and Claude Cheairs, who recently entered business here under the partnership name of the City Poultry company, report that business during their first weeks of operation has been unusually gratifying. They are engaged in buying and selling poultry and eggs and declare that they offer a market here for farmers of the city's trade territory. Their place of business is on East North Second street next door to the Planters Gin company plant.

Static!

These Standstoms Furnish It For New England And Even Labrador

It is in these parts that a good deal of the static that raps through radio sets all the way to the coast of Labrador originates, declared E. E. Neff at the Department of Commerce airways radio station here. "Research in the past two or three years has shown that much static is set up by dust storms in the southwest that usually travels in a northerly and southwesterly direction. This static is felt all the way to New England and as far as Labrador," said Neff. Curiously enough the static condition moved at right angles or practically so to the movement of winds carrying the sand and dust. Neff declared it has been found that such static conditions many times originate in Lower California and the effect is felt quickly across the entire continent from southwest to northeast.

R.F.C. Workers Re-Registered

Work of re-registering applicants for relief work was under way Monday in compliance with orders from Lawrence Westbrook, in charge of the state relief work. New forms must be filled completely before the applicant can be given employment. Several had to make special trips home Monday to find their house numbers, their land lord's house number, number of dependents, etc.

Big Spring Motor Company Opens New Used Car Sale Lot

Big Spring Motor company opened its used car lot at 304 Runnels street Monday with a good line of used automobiles. V. A. Merrick is now in charge of the lot.

Senate Takes Out Dollar A Day Provision

Both Houses Expected To Pass Administration Measure

WASHINGTON (AP)—Opposition wittled before President Roosevelt's substitute employment program Monday. The measure went to the senate and house with committee approval. Prospects was that the senate would take it up immediately. The senate measure struck out reference to a dollar per day wage. Instead the president was simply given power to put an employment plan in operation. The house committee rejected Chairman Connery's measure to pay wages of eighty dollars per month.

Cluck Operates Humble Station

Chester Cluck now is in charge of the Humble service station at Tenth and South Scurry streets. Mr. Cluck has been here for more than a year and until recently was on the staff of the United States weather bureau at the airport. The Tenth and Scurry street station is one of the largest, and most complete in this section. It is a complete Humble lay-out, with latest automatic dispensing equipment, complete facilities for greasing and washing automobiles and other services.

Support Of F. D. Ured By Labor Federation Chief

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—A plea for the entire nation to forget politics and give wholehearted co-operation to President Franklin D. Roosevelt has been issued here by Harry W. Fox, president of the Wyoming State Federation of Labor. Under the heading of "The People Rest Their Case With Franklin D. Roosevelt," the labor leader expressed a hope that the new president will succeed in restoring order to the tangled state of economic affairs. "Our thing is perfectly plain to those who can claim familiarity with national affairs," said Fox, "and that is the complete and almost child like faith the great mass of people have, Republicans and Democrats alike, that President Roosevelt will find ways and means of setting the economic world in order and, in some way, hastening the arrival of re-employment and the return of prosperity. "This is no time for blocking tactics, for filibustering against relief measures, rather one for all national lawmakers to get their feet down to earth, recognize the situation, and work with the new president for the relief of national conditions."

City Hopes To Have But Few Delinquents On March Water Bills

City Manager E. V. Spence said Monday the city was especially anxious that water bills be paid before the end of March in order that as few delinquents as possible be carried over into the new fiscal year beginning April 1.

City School Problems On Docket; For Committee Meeting Tuesday; Legislators Comment On Findings

Important recommendations concerning the local school situation are expected to come from the meeting of the chamber of commerce special education committee, Tuesday 11 a. m. in the Settles hotel. Committee members have had under advisement for a week data concerning the problems confronting Big Spring and Howard county schools. More than a week ago the committee convened for the first time to turn out important recommendations affecting the state situation. Copies of the recommendations were sent to state legislators and to a majority of the chamber of commerce secretaries in Texas. Comment on the suggestions has been limited. W. R. Convis, Democrat, senator from District 4, said "I think you are right. Under the system we now have we can not help you so much. The educational board doing its own educational work will be the only way we will ever get anywhere." Cousins deplored the fact that under the present system or graded schools best equipped went to the cities and deprived rural sections of like advantages. He proposed basic instruction only for rural schools with limited resources, with possibly training in agriculture during planting and harvesting seasons. Charles H. Tennyson, member of the house of representatives, declared "I am giving my undivided attention to school matter," adding "I assure I shall be happy to have done so." He enclosed a copy of his bill proposing to give all cigarette tax revenue to schools. This would add approximately \$2,000,000 yearly to school funds. Senator Grady Woodruff said he had not had time to study the recommendations.

Winners At Baby Show Announced

Mary Jean Bell Captures First Place—Billy Lees Takes Second

In a beautiful booth representing an arbor decorated with potted pink tulips and yellow jonquils, fourteen unusually well-behaved and handsome babies furnished one of the chief attractions to the Museum Carnival Saturday afternoon. Winning baby was Mary Jean Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Bell. She was presented with a silk baby dress from A. M. Fisher's. Second was Billy Brown Lees, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lees, who received a fancy knitted sacque from Victor Mellinger's. Third was Edward Hartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hartman; this young man was given a silver baby spoon donated by J. C. Penney Co. Fourth was Marian Searcy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Searcy; her prize was a fancy porcelain feeding set from J. & W. Fisher's. Through the courtesy of Barrow Furniture Company, Rix Furniture Store, and Montgomery Ward, the booth was filled with baby furniture and comfortable baby furniture. On the floor was a velvet rug to give the impression of a lawn. Baby-tinted high chairs in pastel shades were arranged for the entrants and the babies were seated in those that matched their costumes. A little basinet was provided for a six months' old baby. The Child Study Club assisted Mrs. A. J. Strawn, formerly Miss Sadie Bradshaw, and were taken by the Bradshaw Studio.

University Given Document Naming Cortes Governor

AUSTIN—A gift of inestimable value, bought under pledge of three years' secrecy from Rosenbach of New York by Mrs. Miriam Litcher Stark of Orange, is to be the birth-day gift from its owner to the University of Texas when that institution celebrates its Semecentennial Anniversary at the Fourth Annual Round-Up, April 23-29-30. This announcement comes through H. J. Litcher Stark, her son, member of the Board of Regents of the University. The gift is the original document signed by Charles V of Spain, appointing Hernando Cortes as captain general of New Spain, and dated the sixth day of July, 1520, Barcelona. This rare manuscript has now been in the possession of Mrs. Stark for four years, and she is free to tell some of the amazing facts of its history. It is hoped that Mrs. Stark, one of the University's greatest patronesses, donor of the \$1,000,000 fine arts collection and her rare books, will herself be present to dedicate her new gift on the Semecentennial occasion. The event will be one of the most significant in the celebration of the University's Fiftieth Year this spring.

One Court Bill Killed, Another Expected To Pass

Information received here from Austin is that a bill destined to take Howard county out of the thirty-second judicial district and place it in the seventeenth district had been killed but that a measure placing the county in the seventh district, with also leaving it in the thirty-second with a total of 20 weeks court time annually, was expected to be reported favorable Monday by the house committee considering it. It was reported that prospect for passage of the overlapping district plan for the county would be passed by the lower house this week. Rep. Metcalfe of this district was leading sponsorship of the bill in the lower house and Senator Walter Woodward was expected to sponsor it in the senate.

Stewart Returns From Convention

Merle J. Stewart, city secretary, returned Sunday from Dallas where he attended the organization meeting of the Texas branch of the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of the United States and Canada. H. C. Michael, commissioner of finance in Fort Worth, was elected head of the Texas division, Stuart Bailey, assistant finance officer of Dallas, vice-president, and W. E. McBroom of Wichita Falls, secretary and treasurer. Stewart was mentioned for the latter position but requested his nomination be withdrawn. Carl H. Chatters, national executive director, was present at the meeting. The association acts as a service bureau and interests itself in matters of municipal finance and accounting, and has pertinent questions discussed at the annual convention.

Personally Speaking

Roadmaster Lofland of the T & P was on the westbound train Monday morning. Mrs. Bernard Hanks of Abilene, accompanied by her daughter, Patsy, cousin, Peggy Jackson, and mother, Mrs. L. W. Hollis, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. M. K. House. Mrs. Hollis remained to spend a few days with her daughter. Mrs. W. R. Carr and son Percy, of Sweetwater, spent Friday with Mrs. E. L. Barrick. Mr. and Mrs. Seth H. Parsons and Mrs. B. F. Willis spent the week-end in Monahan. Sam H. Kelsey, of Sweetwater, visited his sister, Mrs. E. L. Barrick, Monday. Judge J. T. Brooks left today for Gall on business.

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University Given Document Naming Cortes Governor

AUSTIN—A gift of inestimable value, bought under pledge of three years' secrecy from Rosenbach of New York by Mrs. Miriam Litcher Stark of Orange, is to be the birth-day gift from its owner to the University of Texas when that institution celebrates its Semecentennial Anniversary at the Fourth Annual Round-Up, April 23-29-30. This announcement comes through H. J. Litcher Stark, her son, member of the Board of Regents of the University. The gift is the original document signed by Charles V of Spain, appointing Hernando Cortes as captain general of New Spain, and dated the sixth day of July, 1520, Barcelona. This rare manuscript has now been in the possession of Mrs. Stark for four years, and she is free to tell some of the amazing facts of its history. It is hoped that Mrs. Stark, one of the University's greatest patronesses, donor of the \$1,000,000 fine arts collection and her rare books, will herself be present to dedicate her new gift on the Semecentennial occasion. The event will be one of the most significant in the celebration of the University's Fiftieth Year this spring.

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Henry J. Toussaint, Skillful Engineer, Admitted Murdering His Father At Wichita Falls

EDITOR'S NOTE—The life story of Henry J. Toussaint, fugitive Texas murderer who died in the Mississippi river a fortnight ago, reads like fiction. The United Press here presents the story of this man, a Harvard University graduate and skillful engineer, who died because in his haste to escape, he turned the life preserver he strapped about himself upside-down. Henry J. Toussaint, fugitive Texas murderer who spoke meticulous English and disposed of his father, a well known Wichita Falls business man, rather than let his parents interfere with his plans of living, never intended the life he so carefully preserved should perish as ignominiously as it did in the muddy waters of the Mississippi river. So say those who knew him. E-scapes, they declare, was the motive of the crafty man who had twice slipped from the snarling arms of the law as he dived from the deck of the steamer which was returning him from the Canal Zone where his identity had become known. Toussaint was deported from Panama, where he had been in hiding after his escape from Huntsville penitentiary on October 22, 1928. Texas had shown little interest in Toussaint's return. It refused to bear the expenses to send an officer to Panama to return the fugitive although Attorney General James V. Alford had brot about identification through a woman whom Toussaint married at Denver before fleeing to Central America. But once in the United States, especially as conveniently close as New Orleans, Texas officers may have revived interest in his case. That, undoubtedly, the wary fugitive guessed. Boards Steamer Toussaint boarded the steamer at Panama without guards. He left the ship at Honduras and its officers said at New Orleans he had undoubtedly fled into the interior. But such was not the case, for on the next New Orleans bound steamer Toussaint was a passenger. His uneasiness increased as the steamer neared American shores. When the boat was leaving its way up the Mississippi to dock at New Orleans, Toussaint, his bag packed, jumped from the deck. A lifeboat was lowered and the fugitive's lifeless form was brought to the ship. The man who had slipped from sight years before, who had graduated with honors from Harvard University, had survived the life preserver he wore upside down. So died Toussaint, the man who had walked from one jail had been caught and years later slipped quietly away from the state's carefully policed prison. Toussaint was convicted in Jones county criminal courts of patricide. The jury sentenced him to life modifying the first court's sentence of death. He went to Huntsville prison a marked man. "Watch that fellow," guards were told. "He's smart. He can make a key from a spoon that will unlock anything." That literally was true. In 1922, while waiting trial for the second time, Toussaint fashioned a key from a spoon, unlocked four massive doors of the Wichita county jail and slipped away. He was caught and taken to Anson, Tex., where the second trial was held. Guards watched him night and day at Anson. They walked into his cell without notice, examined it often and once moved him to another cell. The abandoned cell they found a key shaped from a spoon. It unlocked every lock in the jail! But Toussaint had patience. Days dragged into months, months into years before he could dream of an escape from Huntsville. The golden opportunity came while Toussaint was on a four-day engineering trip. No one accompanied him. His conduct at the prison warranted such faith. Toussaint fled and none saw him nor did Huntsville officers learn of his whereabouts until Alford received the information through Toussaint's estranged wife. She said he talked in his sleep, that she questioned him and learned of his break from jail. Toussaint said he was acquitted of a murder indictment charge, she said. Alford studied court records from Wichita Falls. They unfold the story of one of the most deliberate slayings in criminal history of Texas. Toussaint, head-strong brilliant young engineer, was in partnership with his father in an engineering business. He had come home to Wichita Falls from Harvard University an honor student. F. restrictions did his parents place upon their son. One of the few was, he must marry a protestant girl. Toussaint did not. His father threatened disunion of the partnership, disinheritance. "Disinherited" of him "I didn't want him to be, me all the way round, so I disposed of him," the court records reveal: the youth as testifying to the slaying of his 69-year-old father, Otto H. Toussaint. The court reporter stopped the record. "Killed is the word, is it not?" he asked. The record says Toussaint admitted the reporter that dispo-ed "a much better" and from that point in the recital of the slaying watched the reporter to see no gram "cal errors in recording his statement occurred. How he "disposed" of his father was carefully told. His father was at a neighbor's home visiting. Toussaint disconnected wires on the automobile of the senior Toussaint and then way-laid the elderly man and shot him. "Murdered by a robber," said police. Toussaint appeared nonplussed. His bravado led to his undoing, a confession, two trials, escapes, a fugitive's life and death.

Judge Grants Trial On Old Murder Count

Labor Leader Given Opportunity To Acquit Himself. SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Tom Mooney was granted a new opportunity Saturday after sixteen years imprisonment to come out and acquit himself of bombing the 1916 Preparedness Day parade and killing ten and injuring forty persons. Superior Judge Louis H. Ward granted a motion of defense attorneys for a trial here April 26 on a heretofore unused murder indictment growing out of the bombing.

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It is Stagnation, Not Proration, Declares Josh Cosden After Buying In Property Of Oil Company At Receivers Sale Held Here

It is stagnation, not proration. That is the term insisted upon by J. S. Cosden, nationally known oil man who Tuesday bought in properties of the Cosden Oil company at a receivers sale here and prepared to resume personal charge of the company he started in 1923.

"You've had worse conditions in the oil business ever since proration was devised. You have had conditions today, you'll have them in 1934 and 1935—just the same thing over and over again so long as this thing called proration is continued," he declared here Tuesday night.

"If the government cannot hike the price of wheat by legislation what can you expect of a lot of people who do not want to play the oil game right?" he asked.

"Then he put it this way: 'If you had a crop of calves and the government told you that only a portion of the crop could be sold you'd try to get them across the state line and sell them if you needed the money, wouldn't you?'"

"When we get this plant here in good condition again and get ready to buy more crude from the Howard and Glascock county field we're going to ask for it. If it is not allowed we'll be going to be popping all along the line," declared the dynamic figure who, after two major setbacks in the past ten years that have taken from him two large fortunes, is looking forward to rehabilitation and strengthening of the Cosden Oil company with firm confidence and determination.

Henry Zweifel of Fort Worth, a familiar figure in West Texas who served as an ancillary receiver of the Cosden company, voiced the same sentiment about proration of oil production.

Mr. Cosden declared that "in the old days flush fields came along and new production automatically stopped drilling temporarily."

"Then, when the natural law of supply and demand balanced things, Zowee! Up she would go again. Everybody made money, the oil business gave new jobs to tens of thousands of men. The leaseholder, the royalty owner, the producer, the refiner—everybody got along fine. But, with proration as we have it today you're just dragging out misery. It won't work," he said.

About Storage
"There once was a firm belief, to which I subscribed, that oil below the ground had little or no effect upon the market but that oil above the ground constituted a direct menace. Events have shown this is a false belief. Oil above the ground won't hurt us. The best thing for the industry, in the long run, is to produce the oil, store it above the ground if you wish or below it, and let the situation right itself by operation of natural economic law," he declared.

Accompanying Mr. Cosden on his trip here for the receivers sale were George N. Moore, special master at a sale and formerly general manager of the Cosden Oil company; George R. Walker, New York, Mr. Cosden's personal attorney; J. W. Const, long-time associate of Alfred McKnight, Fort Worth attorney; and Henry Zweifel, who with Mr. Moore was ancillary receiver.

The visitors were joined Tuesday evening by a group of local men for an informal smoker at the Settles hotel.

Stayed With Friends
In discussing the long, tedious process of finally making possible the receivers sale and launching of a reorganization program along lines already worked out, Mr. Walker told of how Mr. Cosden had through the troublesome times of the past three years followed the same policy that has always characterized his dealings with others.

"He could have, as many others did, slipped out of it without being harmed materially," said Walker. "But, Josh Cosden never double-crossed anybody. Time and again he took securities out of a box to help friends and associates. He went down with his associates and that is why they are anxious to help him in any way possible to come back."

It was Walker's first trip into Texas. He remarked that "it is a lot more pleasant down here. There are too many long faces in New York nowadays. Some of the boys who were riding high a few years ago have reason to worry right now. A lot of them have some punishment coming to them, too," he said.

Mr. Cosden and party left late Tuesday night for Fort Worth. He said he expected to return here in a few weeks, following a business trip to New York.

Merrell Brock, Air Pilot Released From Hospital
FORT WORTH (UP)—Merrell Brock, Dallas aviator injured when in American Airways plane blazed above Meacham Field April 26, was released from a hospital here Tuesday. R. Stauffer, assistant operations manager for the airline at Dallas, who was injured also, still is in a hospital here.

America Fights For Revival Of Business And Obtains Results

New Enterprises Started With Millions; Speed And Energy Of New Administration Echoed In Whirl Of Factories, Surveys Discloses

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NEW YORK (UP)—America is fighting for a business revival and getting results. The economic pickup was reflected today in a nationwide survey by the United Press, showing that:

1. Millions of dollars are pouring into new enterprises.
2. Thousands of new jobs are being filled and many more are opening up in the new beer industry.
3. The speed and energy of the new administration at Washington is being echoed by the whirl of factory wheels in many cities.

Preparations for sale of beer are playing a major role in new business and industrial activity. But the reopening of banks on a sound basis after a national holiday, the launching of public works on a large scale, and the optimism inspired by developments at Washington have given business a surge far in advance of the usual spring activity.

The big brewing centers provided perhaps the most striking signs of new business. Here are a few substantial bright spots from that field.

\$100,000 Order
The York Ice Machine Corp. of New York received orders for \$100,000 worth of refrigerating equipment. The Menzel company received orders for 100,000 beer cases for Anheuser-Busch comps y, which took an option on another 100,000.

A new issue of 177,000 shares of common stock of the Falstaff Brewing Corp. of St. Louis was offered here at \$7 a share. The Magazine Steel said beer requirements developed inquiries from Milwaukee for 2,000 tanks; Ohio Fabricator has taken prices on 50,000 tons of plates and a Milwaukee brewery has ordered 1,000 tons of structural shapes.

In St. Louis, legalization of beer resulted in direct or indirect employment of about 19,000 men drawing a weekly payroll of \$250,000. The Illinois Glass company rehired 100 men; Cooperage industries reported a 50 per cent business increase and more than 400 former bartenders are renewing licenses.

In New Orleans, four breweries are working on beer and one is installing new machinery, employing hundreds of men directly or indirectly.

In Milwaukee
In Milwaukee, about 1,000 men were given jobs by brewers last week, while about 200 others have new jobs in nearby breweries. Pabst spent \$2,000,000 for supplies and equipment. George J. Meyer Manufacturing company claims to have \$2,000,000 in orders for bottling machinery and has added 335 workers.

In Chicago seven operating breweries and 19 new plants are spending \$10,000,000 on equipment and supplies.

At Natchez, Miss., the national box company emp' ed 300 men to work day and night shifts. In the northwest Arkansas Ozarks about \$12,000 a day is going into work of making staves for beer kegs. Stave mill plants near Clarinda and Greenville, Miss., need about 200 more men. The price of cottonwood went up 25 per cent.

At Charleston, W. Va., the Owens Illinois Glass Co., reopened a large bottle plant employing about 1,000.

At Waterloo, Iowa, the Hinson Manufacturing Co., received orders for tire covers—advertising a Milwaukee brew—to keep 7 employees working full time for two months.

The Berghoff Brewery of Fort Wayne, Ind., is adding 100 men April 5, and ordering 30,000 bottle caps and 7,000,000 labels.

More than 200 men were employed by lumber mills in southeastern Oklahoma to meet the demand for beer barrels.

More Bottles
The Marienville, Pa., glass company will start production of beer bottles about April 1, employing 110 men. The MacBeth Evans Glass Co., Charleroi, Pa., received orders for a million beer glasses. But there was activity not concerned with beer or its associated industries.

A strike of shoe workers at Haverhill, Mass., ended and other labor troubles in New England were being solved to permit resumption of activity. Imports at Boston for the week ending March 18, were \$1,101,144 as compared to \$737,423 for the previous week.

San Francisco stores reported increased buying. Start of construction of the Golden Gate and San Francisco Bay bridges provided employment for half a dozen contracting firms.

A Chicago auto plant daded 500 men; an auto equipment and radio firm added 600; a total of 1,571 industrial establishments reported an upward trend in employment and payrolls. Pig iron sales were the heaviest in months. Building permits and real estate transfers were up slightly. Many Illinois cities reported trade improvements.

In Cleveland, tool and die makers announced a 20 per cent increase in demand for products in the last month; Westinghouse had more orders in the last week than in any similar period in three years.

Practices Of Some Bankers Are Criticized

Rayburn Of Texas Introduces Measure Following Message

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt asked congress Wednesday to provide federal supervision of investment securities.

In his sixth special message the president declared the public had sustained "severe losses" because of methods practiced in the past and proposed invokin' the power of the federal government in interstate commerce traffic to control new securities.

The president informed congress he would propose soon legislation "relating to better supervision of the purchase and sale of all properties dealt in on exchanges."

He also spoke of legislation he had in mind "to correct unethical and unsafe practices by officers and directors of banks and other corporations."

Preparations already are under way in the house to expedite the newest administration legislation.

Chairman Rayburn of the house interstate commerce committee said hearings would start possibly Thursday. He endorsed the proposals and introduced the bill when the message was read.

Tigers Beat Coahoma Nine

Local Amateur Club Ready For Games On New Playing Field

Mexican Tigers, local amateur club opened another season with a victory Sunday at Coahoma over the Bulldogs. El Senors had the better of the affair by a 11-7 count.

Appropriately enough, Old Pap Payne (they will have to call him grandfather in another year) pitched the Tigers to victory. Three Coahoma pitchers failed to properly check Tiger batsmen.

Coahoma's desperate ninth inning rally had the locals worried but when the smoke had lifted the knotes were four runs short of knocking it up. The Tigers also enjoyed a last minutes pree by scoring a quartet of runs in the final inning.

Timely singles coupled with Tiger errors to give Coahoma her only decent inning of the game. Tigers bunched hits better than the enemy although they only led in the department 15-12.

Coahoma defense flashed three times during the game to pull perfect double plays, while the Tigers muffed two easy chances for double kills.

Sunday the two teams will clash on the new Tiger diamond one block west of the Casino.

BOX SCORE

Tigers	11	15	27	5
Coahoma	9	12	27	1

Score by innings:
Tigers 102 902 104
Coahoma 000 111 004
Summary: Three base hits, Fierro, A. Garcia, Perras, Brown. Two base hits, Hernandez, J. Garcia, H. Reid. Sacrifices hit, Fierro, Stolen base, L. Walker, Devaney, Brown, Cook, Cruz. Double plays, cook to H. Reid, 2, Cramer to H. Reid, Struck out, Payne 12, Brown 2, Cramer 1. Base on balls, Watts 4, Brown 1, Payne 4. Passed balls, Fierro 1, Cook. Left on bases, Tigers 6, Coahoma 10.

Mexican Reds Who Attacked Embassy Held

Score To Be Deported Following Protest Of Daniels' Selection

MEXICO CITY, (UP)—Twenty alleged commun. have been arrested for an attack on the American embassy last Friday night in protest of appointment of Joseph Daniels as ambassador to this country. They will be deported to Marais Island penal colony.

Mrs. H. C. Timmons, Mrs. W. B. Clark and Mrs. Joe Clark left Tuesday for Honaty, Okla., called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Timmons and Mrs. Clark's mother.

FEED STACK BURNS
City firemen saved a huge feed stack on the A. L. Watson ranch, four miles south of here Wednesday morning. Chemicals were used to extinguish the fire before extensive damage had occurred.

Local Trio Attends Inauguration

Dr. And Mrs. Collins And Mrs. Handley Shake Hands With Vice-President Garner On Washington Trip

Dr. and Mrs. T. M. Collins and Mrs. George Handley returned Sunday from attending the inauguration of President Roosevelt in Washington, D. C. While there they met the vice-president, John Garner, who was very cordial and invited them to meet his wife. They did not have a chance to do this, but they talked with Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Sheppard, who gave them cards of admission to the interesting buildings of the city.

Mrs. Collins had attended the Hoover inauguration. The event of this March was much more peppy, enthusiastic and hopeful than that one, she said. The crowd was so great that they could not park their car closer than half a mile of the capitol. From there they took a taxi and then edged their way through the crowd. They could get no nearer the speakers than a block and a half. They could hear easily because of the loud speakers but they had to use field glasses to see.

For the parade they taxied to the Washington Hotel where they had reserved seats on the big grandstand and they saw the whole parade very well there. In the evening they drove by the auditorium where the inaugural ball was held and went to the park around the Washington Monument to view the magnificent fireworks display, said to be the most gorgeous in the country.

Dr. and Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Handley were the guests of Mrs. Collins' son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Durham. Mr. Durham is employed in the department of Commerce and Mrs. Durham is a linguist in the department of health.

See President's Mother
While visiting Mount Vernon the Big Spring trio had the privilege of seeing Mrs. Sarah Delano Roosevelt, mother of the president, who was also being shown the home of the country's first president.

The trip from Big Spring to Washington and New York took five days over a month. An unusual amount of territory was covered. The route was direct and yet comprehensive and so well planned that it is being reproduced here for the benefit of other motorists who would like to see the same sights in the minimum amount of time.

The visiting party left Big Spring on Feb. 21 and reached Washington on Feb. 27. Enroute they did no sight seeing until they reached Memphis and Nashville, which they took in. They also saw "The Hermitage," the home of Andrew Jackson. They drove through the Cumberland Mountains and into Virginia.

They stopped for such historical battle grounds as the Battle of Manassas and Bull Run, and Falls Church where Washington was a vestryman.

In their two-weeks' stay in Washington they visited the National Museum, the Smithsonian Institution, Bureau of Engraving, the Capitol, the Senate and the House and the office buildings of both, the Library of Congress, Corcoran Art Gallery, Pan-American Building, Red Cross and D.A.R. buildings, the National Academy of Arts, Arlington, Lee's home, and Mount Vernon.

They attended the Church of Christ for services on Sunday and on Monday took a boat ride on the famous zoo.

On March 8 they left for Philadelphia. There they saw Independence Hall, Betsy Ross' house, City Hall topped by the statue of Benjamin Franklin, famous churches and cemeteries.

On their way to New York they stopped at Princeton where Wilson was dean when nominated for the presidency, and thence to Hopewell, N. J., former home of the Lindberghs where the baby was stolen.

They entered New York by the famous Holland Tunnel under the bed of the Hudson River. They were in New York about a week and were the guests of Mrs. Collins' niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. James Nicol of Brooklyn who were their guides to the city.

In New York they saw the Empire State building, so high that Dr. Collins looked down on an airplane circling the city, Chinatown, Radio City, Staten Island, Coney Island, Oyster Bay and the grave of Theodore Roosevelt, Bronx Park and its zoo, and the large department stores, such as Wanamakers', Blooming's, Lord and Taylor's and R. H. Macy's.

They attended the Riverside Church built by the Rockefeller and heard Harry Emerson Fosdick preach. They saw the white lights of Broadway and 42nd Street; rode on the subways and "Eis" and went through the Grand Central and Pennsylvania stations and over the New Washington Memorial bridge.

Enroute to Washington they stopped over in Atlantic City, were ferried across Chesapeake Bay, saw Baltimore and reached Washington on March 15. They stayed there four days and visited sights they missed the first time. They left on the 19th.

Southern Sights
They came home via Virginia and the Carolinas. The farther south they went the wider open were the dogwood blossoms and the more attractive the spring colorings.

In Virginia they stopped at Williamsburg where William and Mary College is located, the town that John D. Rockefeller is rebuilding; in Jamestown where the first English settlement was made; Yorktown where Cornwallis surrendered; in Norfolk where they were ferried across Hampton Roads, famous in Civil War records for the battle of the Monitor and the Merrimack. They visited the Navy Yards there and saw two

Green Terms Scheme Form Of Sovietism

Apprehension For Wage Levels Expressed Before Committee

WASHINGTON (AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, called the Roosevelt reforestation plan one smacking of "fascism, Hitlerism and a form of Sovietism" Friday in asserting deep apprehension of its effect upon wage levels.

Appearing before a joint session of the house and senate labor committees Green said labor dislikes he measure's "regimental of labor."

Earlier, General Douglas MacArthur, chief of staff of the army, denied the bill was a "graft act" whereby men could be picked up and forced to go to camps involuntarily.

Galveston (UP)—President Roosevelt's pending farm legislation was attacked vigorously Friday at the 22nd annual convention of the Texas Cotton Association.

President E. D. McCas, Houston, in his annual report, said he believed the farm relief bill would "create chaotic conditions."

WASHINGTON (UP)—Chairman Smith, South Carolina, Friday laid before the senate agriculture committee a substitute for the Roosevelt farm relief plan, which would eliminate the allotment and licensing features, retain the cotton option plan and keep the provisions for leasing land, but would modify the processing tax.

The committee took no immediate action.

Dinner For Men To Be Given By Women Of St. Mary's Church

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Mary's Episcopal Church met at the parish house Monday afternoon and worked on garments for a needy family. While members sewed Mrs. Van Gleason read articles dealing with phases of the Auxiliary work.

Plans were made for the dinner to be given the men of the church on this coming Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. T. C. Thomas was hostess for the afternoon and served tea and wafers to the following: Mrs. E. V. Spence, C. S. Blomsheld, W. A. Gilmour, O. L. Thomas, B. O. Jones, Frank Gleason, Harry Williamson, V. Van Gleason, Shine Phillips, and Miss Ione McAllister.

Birdie Baileys In Celebration Of Fourth Birthday

The Birdie Bailey of the First Methodist Church met Monday afternoon to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the organization.

Mrs. Waters gave the devotional. Mrs. Talley talked on "Christian Stewardship." Mrs. Carter told the story of Lucy Rider Meyer, archbishop of deaconess work and first in the U. S. to organize a deaconess training school; this was in Chicago in 1888. Mrs. Barnes told of meeting Mrs. Myers and hearing her speak.

Mrs. Watson recalled the organization of the society by Mrs. Baileys, a former pastor's wife and its thirteen members, and Miss Barnes read an original poem written specially for the occasion.

The members decided to make gifts and sell them to their neighbors to raise funds. The birthday candles were blown out after the members made wishes.

Mrs. Keaton, the president, presented Mrs. J. E. Fridge, able reporter, with a lovely farewell gift. Mrs. Fridge is moving to make her home in Carlsbad, N. M.

Slices of birthday cake and punch were served to the following members and visitors: Mrs. H. G. Keaton, A. Schnitzer, Hugh Deacon, C. T. Watson, R. L. Bull, J. C. Holmes, V. W. Latson, O. M. Waters, M. Wentz, L. M. Poyent, J. E. Fridge, Morris Burns, O. R. Bollinger, L. A. Todd, Calvin Boykin, G. H. Woods, Alderson, C. G. Carter, W. K. Edwards, W. H. Remels, L. E. Maddux, Wynchne, W. P. Ricker and Miss Verbena Barnes.

State Sunday School Secretary To Address Baptists Here Tonight

G. S. Hopkins, Sunday school secretary for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will speak at a meeting of officers and teachers of the First Baptist Sunday school here this evening at 7 o'clock, the pastor, Rev. E. E. Day, announced.

Mr. Hopkins was to stop here enroute to Lamesa for a district Sunday school convention.

Installation Of Officers Held By Auxilliary

The Women's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church met at the church Monday afternoon for a business meeting. Mrs. J. B. Litter led the devotional.

The yearly reports of the secretary-treasurer and president were given. The Rev. John Thomas installed the following officers: Cause secretaries and circle chairmen:

Mrs. J. L. Thomas, president; Mrs. R. V. Middleton, treasurer; Mrs. T. H. Currie, C. W. Cunningham and E. E. Fabrenkamp, circle chairmen; Mrs. L. S. McDowell, chairman of Home Circle; Mrs. J. O. Tamsitt, foreign relation secretary; Mrs. W. C. Barnett, home missions; Mrs. Graham Fooseh, Christian education and ministerial relief; Mrs. S. M. O'Neal, religious education; Mrs. John Thomas, pastoral life; Mrs. E. L. Barick, literature; Mrs. E. C. Bailler, social service; Mrs. E. E. Fabrenkamp, pastor's aid, and Mrs. S. L. Baker, social activities.

Mrs. J. O. Tamsitt was elected delegate to the Presbyterian in El Paso April 18, 19 and 20.

Mrs. Barnett and Mrs. Little served refreshments to the following members: Mrs. McDowell, Mrs. M. Campbell, Boatler, Thomas, Fooseh, J. E. Chapman, Baker, F. D. Helfern, John Thomas, Robert Finer, Emory Duff, O'Neal, Tamsitt, Cunningham, Barick, Currie, Middleton, Ida Mann Frank Jones and Rev. Thomas.

Federation Thanks Public For Patronage Of Quilt Rug Show

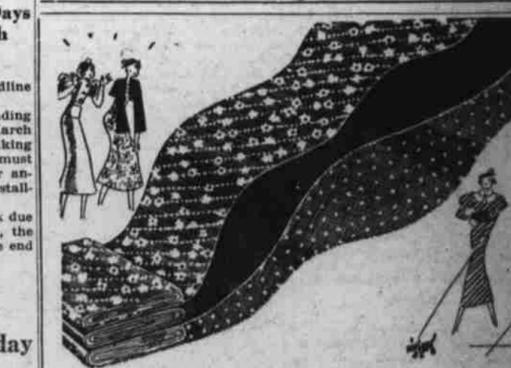
The ladies of the City Federation desire to thank the public in general who patronized the quilt and rug show and the chili dinner so generously, and especially the newcomers who helped put on the show.

The sum raised goes to pay on the interest on the clubhouse building fund. The City Federation hopes to add to this fund by sponsoring a county fair in the fall in which women's products of the kitchen and handiwork, will be displayed, with the cooperation of the rural women. Further details will be announced later.

The women who served on the City Federation committee were Mrs. Julius Eckhaus and Mrs. E. P. Driver on quilt committee; Mrs. L. L. Freeman and Mrs. Jim Morgan on the chili committee, and Mrs. C. W. Cunningham.

Junior G. A.'s Continue Study Of Bible Stories

The Junior G. A.'s met Monday afternoon at the First Baptist church and heard their sponsor, Mrs. J. W. Aderhold, read a story from the living stories of the Bible. Those present were: Lola Mae Hall, Lillian Reed, Hest, Betya Pond, Roe Taylor, Mary June Schultz, Betty Carroll Wood, Dorothy Lay, Helen Hurt, Dorothy Tucker, and Betty Dooley. One visitor Virginia Ragadals, was present.



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TODAY and TOMORROW
By WALTER LIPPMANN

Travel Note
SANTA MONICA, Calif., March 27.
He who wishes to have very definite opinions should not travel too much. He should plant himself on some spot of the earth's surface and see only what he can see from there. That spot will then become the hub of his universe, and what is clearly in the foreground of his view will be that which seems to him clear, rational, and important. Those things which lie in the middle distance will seem provincial, and those in the far distance alien. Traveling upsets these convenient intellectual patterns unless the traveler happens to be the sort of person whose private universes is so solidly established that he is wholly inside it wherever he is. To him the standardization of life, which we have heard so much about will be most comforting. He will note that filling stations and concrete roads and moving pictures and nationally advertised products, stories about Coolidge, Ford and Hoover, that razor blades and the price of cigarettes are so much alike everywhere that he can, if he wishes, move about without seeing anything essentially new.

But this standardization is enormously deceptive. To come from the Atlantic seaboard to the Pacific is like riding for a long time, as one sometimes does in a railway carriage, in view of a great mountain range. The maps tell you that you are seeing the same mountains all the time they are in view. But they do not look like the same mountains as you see them from the different distances and in different perspectives, and often it is incredible that what is known to be the highest peak in the range is actually higher than the foothills close by.

The range in values is greatest, of course, in respect to the world outside the American continent. When you live on the Atlantic Ocean the problems of peace and recovery seem to be centered primarily in the relations between the United States and Europe. But when you face the Pacific Ocean these problems come into a different focus with Asia and South America, the Canal and the Caribbean having become central and close and of dominating interest.

This change of focus due to a different system of interests is, I suspect, the true explanation of the so-called philosophy of isolation in this Western part of the country. Here in the West one feels extraordinarily remote from the tensions and excitements of a trans-Atlantic world, but no more remote. I think, than are the people of the East from the vita, concerns of the world of the Pacific. When we in the East speak of the isolationist point of view what we really mean, if we examine ourselves, is detachment from the European world. Among people of comparable awareness and education on the two coasts the Eastern detachment from the Pacific world is every bit as great as the Western detachment from Europe, and in talking to men who read and observe and worry about public matters here, I have come away feeling again and again how provincial and limited is my own familiar view of the world.

Million U. S. Jews Protest Action Of Hitler Government

NEW YORK, (UP)—In meetings all over the United States Jews member served in the 22nd, 30th, 31st and 42nd legislatures beside the present 43rd session.

estimated to number more than 1,000,000 gathered Monday night to protest against reported anti-Semitic actions of the Hitler government of Germany.

Heading the demonstrations was a great gathering in New York which was addressed by Catholic and Protestant leaders as well as by Jews. More than 20,000 persons crowded Madison Square Garden to protest the Hitler policies, and at least 25,000 more were turned away. These gathered in two groups to hear by loud speakers the demands of speakers of all faiths that the German government avoid discrimination against and persecution of Jews.

This persecution must be "dragged out into the open sunlight and given the same treatment we gave the Ku Klux Klan," Alfred E. Smith shouted to the Madison

Square Garden meeting, and the crowd otherwise solemn and quiet, rose to its feet and cheered.

Throughout the speeches there was constant emphasis upon the importance of avoiding blame upon the German people as a whole, but speakers were unsparring in their denunciation of the Hitler dictatorship and the policies of the Nazi brown shirts.

Two Senators Back Owsley For Post Of Minister To Canada

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Senator Tom Connally and Morris Sheppard urged upon Secretary of State Hull appointment of Colonel Alvin M. Owsley of Dallas as minister to Canada.

Coming Clean

Dr. Paul F. Cadman, noted economist of the University of California, credits the newspapers with a large share in the restoration of public confidence.

"The newspapers devoted themselves to setting forth the facts in calm, clear fashion, which helped very materially to prevent panic," said Dr. Cadman. "Not only the general public but also the bankers in many instances had to rely on the newspapers to bring them exact information as to what was going on in Washington."

To the credit of the new administration it should be said that the press received 100 per cent cooperation from all government departments. Instead of the half-baked censorship once so popular in Washington circles, the lid was lifted off and the newspapers given the facts. The newspapers in turn, gave the facts to the public.

The American people never were afraid of facts. They can take it on the chin, if they feel that they are being told the truth. What they don't relish is being kept in the dark by lies and half-truths.

The new administration won the confidence of the public by taking the public into its confidence. It attempted no hocus-pocus. It struck straight from the shoulder. It laid its cards on the table face up.

In any crisis the best and quickest way out is to come clean.

THE CAUSATION OF CANCER

Although the causation of cancer is not fully understood, it is known that two principal factors contribute to its production. One of these is a predisposition to the disease which is more or less hereditary. The other factor is some form of long continued irritation at the place where the cancer develops. Irritation seems to be the most important factor.

While cancer does occur more frequently in some families than in others and there is reason to believe that members of such families are more likely to have this disease, it is not necessarily so; for together with an inherited predisposition to a disease comes also an inherited resistance to that disease. The question of the human heredity of cancer is not yet sufficiently established to justify unfounded concerns.

Chronic irritation as a cause of cancer, on the other hand, has been demonstrated experimentally in laboratories by the continued painting of mice with the irritant tar. In human beings this irritation takes many forms. In the mouth it may be the rubbing of a jagged tooth or ill-fitting dental plate. On the lip it may be repeated tearing of the skin by pipe stems or cigarettes. On the skin it may be the continued rubbing of a mole by a coat collar. Irritations may occur within the body as well as outside of it—such as the habitual abuse of the stomach.

Cancer prevention means the recognition and removal of all those possibilities which are known to favor the development of cancer.

In cancer early discovery increases chance for recovery.

National League Changes Schedule

NEW YORK, (UP)—The National League's 1933 baseball schedule just announced, reveals that for the first time in the circuit's 57-year history, western clubs will come into the east in the first week of May.

The 154-game schedule, which opens April 12 in Boston, Philadelphia, Cincinnati and Chicago, allows for a single series of eastern vs. eastern and western vs. western clubs, after which the westerners will invade the seaboard.

This inter-sectional series will begin in the east on May 1 and 2, and when it is finished, the eight clubs will shift to the west for an inter-sectional series starting May 15 and 16.

The season closes October 1, bringing the world series into more noticeable conflict with the football season than in previous years. Important football games will be played on October 7.

Here are the opening games of the season on April 12:

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Bright Spots In Business

Member Of House Given Watch On 81st Birthday
AUSTIN, (UP)—J. L. Goodman, Franklin, was presented a watch by citizens here during the March moratorium on local banks, bookkeepers estimated after clearing the mass of accumulated business. One check for \$4.80 was accepted as legal tender by 14 individual, and business concerns before it was finally cashed.

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By LAURA LOU BROOKMAN

CHAPTER XV

It was only for the fraction of a second that Janet's eyes met...

"Who does he think he is? For two cents I'd give him a smack in the jaw! That's what he needs, the big-!"

"Oh, no!" Janet whispered, terrified. "Please!"

"Guys can't bump into my girl!" Mullins protested crossly. "Why don't he look where he's going? Where is he now?"

He craned his neck but by this time Rolf and Betty Kendall were across the room. Janet was afraid there would be trouble. She couldn't bear that. Anything in the world but that! She must stop it some way.

"It's not dance any more she said quickly. 'It's so crowded and the air seems stuffy. I'd rather go back to our table.'"

"All right," Mullins agreed but the agreement was half-hearted. Slowly they made their way among the other dancers, Mullins continuing his surly protests that "no guy could bump into his girl and get away with it!"

Janet sank into the chair with relief. She closed her eyes and then an instant later opened them. Everything about her was just as it had been. The room was like a nightmare.

Mullins held a silver cigarette case toward her. "Have one," he offered. She shook her head and he helped himself to a cigarette, lit it.

"Listen, baby," he suggested. "If you don't you and I have a little drink together I've got some swell stuff. It'll do you good!"

Janet smiled. "No, thanks. I-I don't feel like it just now. But have it yourself if you'd like it."

Mullins eyed her doubtfully. "But this is good stuff!" he insisted. "Aw come on, baby! Don't be like that!"

He went on talking but she didn't hear him. Across the room were silhouetted sharply. They were two figures—a man and a girl were dancing together, slowly, gracefully. Janet, watching them, caught her breath. She didn't want to look at the two figures but she couldn't help herself.

The man's head was bent forward slightly and the girl was smiling up at him. She was not very tall. She was slender but not too slender. Her white dress was one of the few evening gowns in the room, a striking simple dress that rippled to the floor and was untrimmied except for a splash of crimson at the waist. The ivory whiteness of the satin was in perfect contrast with her dark hair and vivid coloring. A pretty girl—oh, yes, a very pretty girl. Only a girl who was happy, sure of herself and sure of that happiness, could smile with such twinkling gaiety.

It was the first opportunity Janet had had to see Betty Kendall close at hand and now that she was here in the same room with her she could not really see her. The pain stabbing at Janet's heart brought a mist before her eyes. She was aware only "at this" of the girl who was dancing with Rolf Carlyle, that she was beautiful and wore lovely clothes and that Rolf was looking at her in a way that said as plainly as words could, "I love you." Only Rolf had danced that way with Janet.

Janet caught at the suggestion. "It's—just a headache," she said. "Would you mind if I don't go on to the theater with you? I hate to leave the party but I know I'd feel better at home. You must come with me—not any of you. Please don't! If someone will call a cab for me I'll just say good-night."

There were objections. They'd all go with her, Al said. He'd go for the car right now. Well, then, Mullins would go. It ended finally as Janet wished. Mollie Lambert, reading something in the other girl's eyes, settled that.

"I hate to have you leave home," she said, "but of course if you think you'll feel better at home that's the thing to do. And if you're really rather alone, boys let's go to the movies. Come on, boys, let's all scam. The show begins at 8:30 and if we don't start we'll miss the first part."

Janet had never in her life been more grateful to anyone than when, as she was getting into the taxi cab, Mollie caught her hand and squeezed it. "Good-night, honey," Mollie said. "I hope you'll feel lots better."

She didn't say anything more but Janet understood. Mollie, too, had seen Rolf Carlyle dancing with Betty Kendall.

"I'm sure I will!" Janet assured them. "Good night."

She did feel better, too, even though an hour later her pillow was wet with tears.

Several days passed before Janet saw Mollie again and when they met little was said about the dinner at Regals. Frank Mullins returned to Spruce City. Though he telephoned Janet twice she avoided another meeting. Once she was not at home when he called and the second time she was leaving to attend a lecture with Pauline Hayden. It was a lecture by a famous explorer. Someone had given Pauline Hayden and Janet was glad to be invited. Instead of cooking dinner at home now she had dropped into the habit of eating down town with Pauline or one of the other girls.

She liked Pauline better than the others because she never asked questions. All of the girls at the office had known of Janet's engagement. They knew, too, that Rolf wasn't coming to the Every Home office any longer. That he didn't wait for Janet nor meet her at the drug store corner. Such gossip flies quickly in an office the size of the Every Home establishment.

Janet overheard Clare Dennison telling two other stenographers that it was all over town that Rolf was going to marry a "swell society girl." She knew the girls whispered other things about herself and Rolf, too.

Determinedly Janet tried to conceal her unhappiness. She tried to forget by working harder, by going for long walks, by taking books from the circulating library. She enrolled at the Y. W. C. A. for a class in beginning French.

Still she could not forget Rolf. She let the office one evening in late March slip out into a drizzling rain. It was cold, too. Janet raised her umbrella, drew her coat closely about her neck. At the street corner she hesitated. She wasn't thinking about the rain or the cold wind. She was thinking up at him. She was not very tall. She was slender but not too slender. Her white dress was one of the few evening gowns in the room, a striking simple dress that rippled to the floor and was untrimmied except for a splash of crimson at the waist. The ivory whiteness of the satin was in perfect contrast with her dark hair and vivid coloring. A pretty girl—oh, yes, a very pretty girl. Only a girl who was happy, sure of herself and sure of that happiness, could smile with such twinkling gaiety.

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She turned quickly, blinked away the hot tears that were so perilously near. She must not look at Rolf again she told herself. She must not let him know, not let anyone in the world know about that pain her heart!

"I won't!" she told herself sharply. "I won't watch him dancing with her and making love to her!" It was a foolish resolution because the picture of Rolf Carlyle—nude and handsome in his dinner clothes—was engraved indelibly in Janet's memory.

All at once she became aware that Frank Mullins was saying something, that he had asked a question and was waiting for her to answer it. She hadn't the faintest idea what he had been talking about.

"I'm sorry," Janet apologized. "I'm afraid I wasn't listening." "I said," Mullins began pompously, "that a little drink will do you good. Do us both good. Here—"

money she had worked so hard to save would take her there. Janet planned what she would say to Hamilton. He would give her references that would help her find another job. In New York she would meet lots of people. Girls and young men. She would go to interesting places, to gay parties. She would have beautiful clothes too, as pretty as Betty Kendall's!

Her thoughts ran on but in spite of the glamor of the scenes she pictured mentally Janet's spirits did not rise. Underneath was the dreadful feeling that she would do none of these things. She wouldn't leave Lancaster because she didn't really want to.

Suddenly Janet stopped. Ahead a gloomy barrier loomed across the street, at its center a dim red lantern. The street was closed and Janet noted this she realized that she had no motion whatever where she was. It was growing late. She had never come so far down Sixth street before but if she went back exactly the way she had come there was no possibility of losing her way.

She turned. The wind was colder. She faced it and Janet was chilled. The street, too, seemed to be coming down faster. Janet hurried. She walked three blocks and then drew a sigh of relief. Ah, there was the Security building tower in the distance! She hadn't admitted to herself that she was frightened but it was good to see that tower.

Two blocks more and she was in the business district again. Janet reached a street intersection just as the red light turned green. She waited, thinking that she would stop in the nearest restaurant. She didn't feel hungry but she was cold.

"What was that noise!" She glanced about. Nothing apparently had happened. The street was as quiet as life. Here and there were lighted store windows but there was not a person in sight.

Janet's fingers were like icicles and she kicked one foot against the other, trying to warm it. "Then distinctly she heard the sound of a door opening."

It wasn't a cry exactly or a moan. It seemed to come from nearby and it was muffled, almost like someone weeping. But there was nobody in sight. It must have been the wind. If the green light had turned red again at that moment Janet would have hurried on and thought no more about the sound. But the light didn't turn red. Janet, waiting, turned and looked behind her curiously. Almost at once she saw the figure in the doorway.

It was a tiny figure, huddled slightly and almost lost in the darkness of the door. The plaintive sobs were low-pitched, irregular, as though torn from the very depths of the childish heart. Janet hesitated an instant. Then she went forward and said, "What's the matter, sonny?"

There was no answer but slowly the head with its knitted cap turned and a face appeared. It was a face that was grimy and tear-stained. The sobbing continued.

Encouragingly Janet said, "Listen, sonny, won't you tell me what the trouble is? It's too cold for you to stay here. Are you lost? Maybe can help—"

The little figure became erect and backed away. The light from the street lamp fell on the child and suddenly Janet saw that there were dark matted curls below the knitted cap. It wasn't a little boy but a girl wearing a bulky boy's overcoat that was too large for her.

The child's voice came tearfully, tremblingly. "Who're you?" "Why I'm just—nobody important but I hear you crying and if you'll tell me what's the matter I'll try to do what I can. Are you lost?"

"You lost my money!" she sobbed. "Your money? How much was it?"

A damp pasteboard box lay at the child's feet. It was empty now but the little girl pointed to it. "It was selling candy!" she wailed. "I had 10 bars and I sold six of them. Then some boys came and they— they said I couldn't sell any more. They took the candy and the money! And I can't go home—"

The words died away in a fresh outburst of sobs. Janet knew that if she took the child to the nearest policeman her responsibility for the little girl would reach home. Something prompted her to say instead, "There's a restaurant over there in the next block. Suppose you and I go there and get something to eat. You can tell me all about what happened while we're getting warm. Would you like to do that?"

"Two sobs ceased. "You mean—I'll be all right?" Janet laughed. "Of course," she said. "Perfectly all right. Here, take my hand so you won't fall." Over the tile top restaurant table Janet Hill looked at her new acquaintance. Rose, the little girl said her name was. Rose Silvani. No, she didn't go to school. She was five years old. She had a brother who didn't go to school either. He was crippled. No, her father and mother wouldn't be worried about her because they weren't at home. Her father was always away looking for work. Her mother went every afternoon to a place where she scrubbed floors. Rose told all this slowly between gulping attacks on the plate of hot food before her.

could be so entirely devoid of signs of childhood. They arose at last. Janet paid the check and they went out to the street. "I'm going to go home with you," Janet announced, and they started walking toward the car line.

The street had stopped but the wind was colder. Ahead a man was coming toward them. Janet scarcely noticed him until he was almost beside them. The man stopped suddenly, caught Janet's arm.

"Let's have that handbag!" he said. She saw the short black cylinder of a gun barrel and at the same moment heard Rose's scream.

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Afterward Janet insisted she wasn't frightened. It happened too quickly for that. She wasn't sure whether she saw the man or heard Rose's scream first. The man growled, "Make it snappy!" and grabbed Janet's purse.

Then in the next instant something whirled itself between Janet and the man. A voice was shouting. Two voices. There was a tussle of arms and legs and something fell to the ground.

The gun—oh, the gun! Rose was pulling at Janet's skirt, whispering, Janet saw a man's arm and the gun. It didn't fire. Suddenly the figures lurched apart. The man who had grabbed Janet's purse was running down the street. He turned the corner, was out of sight.

"Oh!" Janet exclaimed. "How will I ever think—!" She stopped then, looking at the tall young man beside her. Her eyes widened in amazement. "Why Mr. Grant!" she exclaimed. "Oh, I didn't know it was you!"

Jeffrey Grant righted his tie and brushed off his coat. He was breathing heavily. "Good evening," he said. "Glad I happened to be across the street."

Then he bent down and picked up something from the sidewalk. It was Janet's purse. "Here," he said. "Better look and see if he got anything."

There was nothing missing from the purse. And it was then, after all the excitement was over, that Janet suddenly felt helpless and weak. There was nothing to be afraid of now. The thief was gone. But all at once she realized how close the danger had been.

"Oh—yes," she said weakly, and then again, "Oh—yes, yes, yes." Grant took her arm. "Here," he said, "let's get away from here. My car's just across the street. If there's anywhere I can take you—"

The car was a small and inexpensive roadster. Janet got in and held Rose on her lap. She told the young man where Rose lived and that she was taking her home. It was a street far on the other side of town in the poorest section of Lancaster.

Grant nodded and said he "might as well run out there." He went on to explain that he had parked the car and gone into the little shop across the street for matches. He was just coming out when he heard Rose's scream. Then when he saw the man grab Janet's purse he had made a running tackle. The rest was over almost as soon as it was started.

"But it was wonderful of you!" Janet said sincerely. "He had a gun. Anything might have happened—"

Grant took that lightly. "Oh, he knew better than to shoot!" he said. "These bums who go around grabbing pocketbooks from women and girls only carry guns to seem dangerous. They'd run from a real fight—just a kid's bid." Little Rose had not taken her eyes from Grant's face from the minute they were inside the car. Great, dark eyes that said absolutely nothing and yet said so much. She sat rigidly upright, in a child might have been expected to. Her fingers clasped one of Janet's hands tightly.

Jeffrey Grant didn't ask questions but Janet told him a little about Rose. She explained gently how she and the little girl had become acquainted, about the candy Rose had been trying to sell.

There was anxiety, eagerness—yes, and fear—in U. tons of voice. The dim light Janet could not see that Silvani clearly but she did think that he was tall, well built, that he had dark hair and dark eyes like Rose's.

"I met Rose down town," Janet explained. "She didn't mean to be so long only she lost her money." She went on telling about Rose's efforts to sell candy, how they had dinner together and then the frightening episode of the hold-up.

Pat Silvani's voice lost its fear. Janet introduced Jeffrey Grant and Silvani asked them politely to sit down. There were two chairs in the room. Janet took one of them and Grant settled himself on an upturned box. It was not until Janet was seated that she saw the other figure in the darkness.

At first she saw just the ace. Tommy, of course, the crippled brother. Rose had mentioned. He lay on a cot at the side of the room. He had propped himself up on one arm and was listening eagerly to all that was being said. Janet spoke to him and Rose, remembering her candy, rushed forward to share it.

Silvani said, "You've been good to my kids, miss. I certainly thank you! They don't get much candy. They don't get much of anything else. I've been out of work so long."

He told them about trying to find work during the last two years. Odd jobs, a few days or a week here and there, were all he'd been able to get. Two years before Pat Silvani had worked steadily for a construction company. He was a brick mason and a good one. On the last two jobs he'd been foreman.

But the company had failed. He was laid off. He had a little money in the bank. Pat Silvani had been determined to get ahead—to give his Tommy and Rose better things in life than he'd had.

He told them about the slightest warning the construction company had "gone under." Pat Silvani didn't know why. He just received a notice that there wouldn't be any more work. The company was bankrupt. For a while Pat laid brick on another job. Then there wasn't anything. No one was putting up buildings. No body needed a brick mason. Pat worked in a garage for a while. Times began to get harder and he couldn't make the payments on the garage. They moved to a cheaper place and finally to this. Rose found that she could get work cleaning in an office building nights.

"Rose!" Pat Silvani said bitterly, "who used to be the smartest operator in the Vanity Fair Beauty Shop—scrubbing floors; She don't complain though. She gets 25 cents an hour and it's all we've got to live on!"

Pat Silvani's voice died down again. The smoldering fires in the dark eyes died down, too. He looked what he was—a man beaten, Janet sat forward. "Mr. Silvani," she said, "there must be jobs somewhere! I'm going to see if I can't find one for you. Maybe I won't be able to, but I'm going to try."

"Sure," Jeffrey Grant put in. "I was thinking the same thing. I know quite a few fellows and I'll ask around."

They left a little after that. Rose came forward as Janet was saying goodby and flung both arms about her. "You're nice," Rose said softly. "I like you!"

Janet and Jeffrey Grant went out the night. Neither of them spoke until they were in the roadster. Then Janet said impulsively, "I didn't know people were living like that. Isn't it terrible?"

The young man nodded. "Do you suppose they'd take money? I would!"

"I don't know," Janet said, "but there must be other things we could do. Oh—sort of things! Maybe we could sort of adopt them—the whole family, the way people do at Christmas."

"Why sure! Sure we can!" As Janet met Jeffrey Grant's eyes she was thinking, "Why, he's really nice-looking!"

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The rest of that week was so busy that Janet had to break a movie date with Pauline Hayden and eat her evening French class. At noon the boy's clock time for sandwich and cup of coffee at the corner lunch counter. Then she was off on hurried shopping trips.

the food!" Mrs. Silvani exclaimed. "Won't you come in, please? I don't know how to thank you. I don't know how to tell you what it's meant—"

Rose Silvani, they soon found, was much less volatile than her husband. Obviously moved, she could not find words to express her thanks. Janet suspected this was partly the restraint built by months of hardship. Mrs. Silvani had been a pretty woman. She was pretty now except that there were drawn lines in her face and her eyes seemed so tired. Her shoulders were slightly bent and she looked thin and worn and very weary. Her dress was a cheap cotton, faded by many washings.

Janet explained about the clothing they had brought. Most of the things, she said, would have to be made over but they were good material. Jeffrey went outside and began to carry in the packages.

Tommy, who had been sitting in the rear of the room, got on his crutches then and came hobbling forward. He stood in the window and looked out at the roadster. Little Rosie crept beside him and the children exchange whispered comments.

It was when the coat-off suit and the sweater for Pat Silvani were displayed that Mrs. Silvani broke down and wept.

"My poor Pat!" she moaned. "He needs a suit for so long! All the time in the freezing weather he didn't have an overcoat. Oh, I can't help it. I—I just can't help crying!"

They were joyful tears and nobody minded them. Presently Mrs. Silvani wiped her eyes and after that she seemed to talk more easily. Pat was such a good husband, she told them. Oh, it had all been so different a few years ago. Those days when he had nothing to do were hard on him. It worried her, Rose Silvani said. It wasn't just not having money. It was the way Pat looked. Sometimes when he'd been out all day trying to find a job and then walking home because pennies for carefare counted up there was something in his eyes that frightened her. She was afraid Pat might do something—something desperate!

"But we're going to find work for him," Janet assured her. "He's going to have a job."

"Oh, Miss, if you only could!" Jeffrey Grant explained. "The important part of the visit, Jeffrey had talked to a man in the office where he worked. As a matter of fact, this man (Simpson) was his name) needed some repair work done at his home. Something changed about the garage and a couple of rooms painted upstairs. Simpson had expected to do the work himself but he'd kept putting it off. It Jeffrey was sure Pat Silvani was reliable he'd be willing to hire him. It would be about a week's work and he'd pay what was reasonable."

"Pat! do it!" Mrs. Silvani said eagerly. "He'll do fine job too! Pat's so handy with tools. When does he want him to begin? Maybe I could get hold of him this afternoon—"

Grant told her gently there was no such hurry. Simpson had suggested that Pat Silvani should drop in at the office Monday morning. He'd tell him what was to be done and arrange a price. Then the work could start in the afternoon or next day.

Meanwhile, the young man went on, there was the matter of that rent bill. If the Silvanis were in danger of being dispossessed they'd better accept a loan and pay it back after Mr. Silvani was working.

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She telephoned his office Wednesday morning and when Grant's low-pitched voice came to her over the wire Janet said, "Mr. Grant? Oh, I'm so excited! I think I've found a job for Mr. Silvani. Yes, a steady one! I want to tell you all about it. Do you suppose I could meet you somewhere at noon?"

Grant said, "Why yes, of course. How about the Tavern Coffee Shop? Could you be there at 12:15?"

She could. She was waiting just inside the door of the restaurant when he swung into view. They found a table for two at the side of the room and Janet began to pour out her story breathlessly. She was so excited she could scarcely take time to order lunch. Could they drive out to the Silvani's home at night? It was something—the job—that had to be settled right away!

Finally Grant got the straight of it. Janet had told Bruce Hamilton about their "adopted family" and he had been interested. Hamilton had made inquiries, carefully and thoroughly in the Hamilton manner. One of the men who had been an officer in the building corporation employing Pat Silvani two years before happened to be a member of one of Hamilton's clubs. He knew nothing of the workman but knew someone who did. It had taken very little effort to establish that Pat Silvani was a skilled, intelligent workman. He was trustworthy and reliable.

"Tommy can do it. See? It's a donkey! Look at the way its ears go!"

The children were still laughing about the new game when Janet and Jeffrey said goodby. Half way to the car Jeffrey passed to be sure Mrs. Silvani had it right about where her husband was to come Monday morning. Mrs. Silvani had it right.

"They're a couple of cute youngsters, aren't they?" he said, climbing into the roadster beside Janet. "Too bad about Tommy's leg."

"Mr. Hamilton says he could go to school," Janet told him. "He says the school authorities would send a bus for him if his parents would fill out an application. They do that for other crippled children. I didn't say anything about it to-day because I thought until Mr. Silvani has steady work it would only mean extra expense. There'd be books and lunches and things. Oh, I wish we could find a regular job for him!"

"Well!" Grant assured her confidently. "It may take a little time but we'll find it."

There was a note of confidence in Jeffrey Grant's voice. There was confidence in his manner, too, as though anything he undertook would be sure to be successful. Perhaps it was because was so tall and strong looking. Jeffrey Grant looked as though he were all muscle. There was an air of surplus weight about him but of broad shoulders and capable, well-hung hands suggested strength.

They had driven a block in silence when Grant turned to the girl. "I wonder," he said, "if you'd be willing to do me a favor?"

CHAPTER XIX

Janet smiled. "Why, of course," she said. "That is, if it's anything I can do!"

"I was going to ask if you'd have dinner with me, Grant told her. 'Afterward we'll ride drop in to see a movie, or perhaps do—'"

The girl wasn't smiling now but there was more to the sudden change in her face than that. "I'm sorry," she said, "there's—I've made an engagement. I'm awfully sorry but I'll have to keep it."

Grant nodded. "My bad luck," he said. "I should have asked you sooner, of course."

He talked about other things until they reached the rooming house. He left Janet there, smiling as he called good-by, and drove away. Janet went in the house and up the stairs to her own room. There was no other engagement, of course. Nothing but dinner to be cooked over the two-burner gas stove and eaten alone. Nothing but the book from the library that so far hadn't interested her.

She tossed aside her hat and coat and sank into a chair. Well, it was better to be alone than to go out and pretend to be having a good time. She had tried that. The disastrous evening with Mollie Lambert and her friends!

Memories of other Saturday evenings came back to torment her—dinners here in this very room with Rolf across the table, dancing with Rolf at the Chinese restaurant, his rides walks in the moonlight, the time they went to River-side Park and rode on the roller-coaster—

Presently Janet arose and began to prepare the meal. After she had eaten she washed the dishes, read two chapters in the library book and went to bed.

Afterward her worries may have been about Jeffrey Grant repeating his invitation, they proved groundless. She saw him several times the following week but always it was to consider the problems of the Silvani family. Jeffrey did not ask her again to have dinner with him. It was Janet herself who brought about their first social engagement and it happened in this way.

swell of your boss to take such an interest. I'll get the car and stop around at your office for you—"

It was settled next day that Pat Silvani was to have the job. He went to work that very night. Pat's voice choked up when he tried to tell Janet how grateful he was. Rose could stop going nights to scrub. She'd need to be home with the children and with \$22.50 a week—regularly—they'd get along famously.

In fact the Silvanis seemed so well cared for, so settled in their new security that Janet and Jeffrey Grant might have had little reason to pay them another visit soon, except for one thing. The circus came to town.

It was Jeffrey's idea but Janet instantly fell in with it. There were to be two Saturday performances—one in the afternoon and one in the evening. They made all the plans, even to consulting Mrs. Silvani, before Tommy and Rose heard the news.

"Lord!" Jeffrey Grant said, "did you ever see two kids so excited? I thought Rosie's eyes were going to pop right out of her head!"

Janet laughed. "But she's never seen a circus. Tommy has and he's told her so much about it I'm almost afraid she'll be disappointed."

But Rosie wasn't disappointed and neither was Tommy, who found the new circus even more miraculous than the last. The day was exciting for the children from the moment they arose in the morning until, exhausted, they fell asleep. Rosie and Tommy were both dressed in their new clothes and waiting when Grant stopped the car before the door. It was a little crowded with all four of them in the roadster but they managed it. The ride in the automobile was a treat, particularly for Tommy, who so seldom left home. The night of the big tent sent Rosie into squeals of rapture and from then on the circus was an assured success.

They visited all the animals in the menagerie. They saw the lions, the elephants, the zebras, a baby camel that let Rosie touch its velvety nose. The hippopotamus fascinated Tommy and he could scarcely be moved from before the big cage until Jeffrey mentioned that it was time for the clowns to appear.

Then they went into the big tent and found their seats. It was a typical circus, beginning with the impressive pageantry of a parade depicting a Roman emperor's triumphant return from war. Immediately afterward the three rings became alive with action. There were prancing white horses with beautifully plumed tails and manes. Acrobats flew through the air, diving from breath-taking heights. There were trained seals and a dancing elephant and girls in slim tights who rode bareback leaping through paper hoops, always to land in safety, bowing and kissing their hands to the audience.

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Red Tape Being Clipped Short By New Administration In Applying Far-Reaching Powers, Writer Finds

Objects Is To Find Plain Intent Rather Than Exact Letter Of Law; Technicalities Cut Down

By RAYMOND CLAPPER

United Press Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON (UP)—Common sense is the new administration's guide in applying its far-reaching powers.

From President Roosevelt down through the cabinet this rule of reason is dominant. Red tape isn't dead, but it is out of favor. Hair-splitting and technicalities are being brushed away to permit the spirit of the law to be carried out. This is especially important now because of the great powers given the administration in the emergency legislation. These laws are passed hurriedly and defects may show later.

Washington has seen many difficulties arise because of a blind attempt to follow the letter of a law rather than its plain intent. But President Roosevelt has set a new example and the effects are appearing all over the city.

Attorney General Cummings removes his eye-glasses and his stern judicial countenance is warmed by a twinkle of his eyes when the representative of a newspaper which published a full-page beer advertisement after the new law was signed anxiously asks if this is a violation of the bone-dry anti-advertising law which hangs over until April 1.

Cummings' Position "Your publisher won't be in any great peril," Cummings says.

He is for a reasonable interpretation of the law. The new law, he explains, permits various preparatory activities, manufacturing and preparation of equipment before April 7. Advertising intended to prepare the way for sale of beer after April 7 but not intended to provoke illicit sale before, he believes, is in keeping with a reasonable interpretation of the law.

Footmaster General Farley's department sent out orders to look the other way when newspapers and periodicals came through carrying beer advertising which did not promote illegal sale. They were told not to hold up such mail.

Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor, stands pleasantly content in her trim little black costume topped by a white feather in her tricorne hat before a glowering committee of senators and congressmen. One of the representatives mutters his most impressive frown and demands to know of the madame secretary whether this dollar-a-day proposal for the civilian conservation corps won't lead all employers to crowd down wages generally to a dollar a day.

The little lady swings a pair of bright round eyes full on the questioning congressman.

Miss Perkins "No, I don't, sir, because that doesn't make sense," she replies.

And she explains that manufacturers have too much sense to exterminate consumer buying power. Another frowning congressman demands to know why the government wants to tear a man away from his family of five which is drawing \$12 relief funds and put him in the woods at a dollar a day.

"He doesn't have to go," she patiently explains. "This is for those who can and who want to go. And there may be cases in which the family would be better off if the husband had a chance to go out and work instead of sitting around home brooding."

Someone objected to President Roosevelt that this reforestation corps was an attempt to subject civilians to army service.

"We are going to administer this plan on a common sense basis," she said.

There must be ordinary policing. A man can't be allowed to get up in the middle of the night and blow a horn. An enlistment period is necessary to insure that men remain on the job. But it may be stated that President Roosevelt would be the first to insist that a man be released at once if he had a real job in sight or if his wife was ill or if some other emergency required his presence at home.

Altar Society Gives Handkerchief Shower To Mrs. Bob Austin

The members of the St. Thomas Catholic Altar Society surprised Mrs. Bob Austin Thursday afternoon with a farewell handkerchief shower, in appreciation of her work in the society, before she left to make her home in Lubbock.

They went in a body to her home and presented her with their gifts and stayed for a while and visited. Mrs. A. F. Weeg and Miss Louise Weeg could not go but sent gifts.

Those in the party were: Misses Jim Morgan, E. J. Mary, L. L. Freeman, D. P. Dooley, N. H. Broad, A. A. Sheeler, Jenkins, T. A. Bunker, W. D. Willbanks and Miss Rose Morgan.

Payment Of Delinquent Taxes Only Relief In Sight For Local Schools

Lions club members Friday saw C. T. Watson, speaker of the day, present a bill to the legislature, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and conventions in general. Mr. Sullivan of Beasler, Alabama, known as Harmonics Mike, entertained with several novelty numbers.

Austin Editors Defend Railroad Commissioners

The Austin Statesman recently carried the following editorial: HOUSE OIL INQUIRY DRAGS TO CLOSE

The investigation of the railroad commission is finally completed. The proponents have made their findings. An important section of the investigating committee evidently do not approve the criticisms of the steering committee, but even if given face value, the result remains a pleasure to every friend of the commission.

No charge was sustained, or developed to the point of serious consideration, that reflected on the financial integrity of any member of the commission. In the midst of the investigation of properties of millions of dollars, they have remained personally honest. No contention has been made that the commission does not place first, and protect to the best of its ability, the interests of the state and the people of Texas.

The first criticism is that the appointments are political. This is true of all governmental appointments not under civil service. The test is, not the reason for the appointment, but the competence of the employee and by this standard the prosecution does not seem to have made out a case.

The second finding is that the commission has, in East Texas, issued invalid orders. In two years, the oil industry has moved a substantial distance along the road of efficient operation. A long way remains yet to go. No order regulating East Texas production at this time, can escape the gauntlet of the courts. It seems doubtful if any practical order will be sustained by the federal courts.

Until the United States supreme court finally defines the extent of the powers of the state to control these matters, the enforcement of proration must hobble along under almost superhuman difficulties. To criticize the commission for these difficulties is obviously unjust.

It is charged that some of the majors will welcome the abandonment of proration and that the January price smash had such a purpose behind it. It has greatly increased the danger of a break in the oil market.

The federal injunction granted last Saturday to Danziger may also cause a collapse. Obviously, some operators cannot remain tied while others operate unrestrained for long periods of time. If for either of these reasons it becomes impossible to continue proration the fault will not be with the commission. It is rather to be commended for the ability with which it has so far controlled the situation.

The third criticism is the Panhandle matter. The facts seem to be that the Panhandle gas district is in the grip of a powerful combination of eastern utilities in which the Standard of New Jersey and the Cities Service are dominant. They are transporting enormous quantities of gas to the coast. They pay practically no taxes upon the gas and are using their monopoly to crush every local interest. The legislature has twice attempted a correction. The commission for two years has made repeated attempts at reasonable settlements. The attitude of these corporations throughout has remained one of arrogance and contempt for the authority of this state.

The commission was finally faced with a decision as to whether it would longer permit the utilities to drain gas from under the properties of its own defenseless citizens or to allow its people to use their gas for any commercial purposes. It is difficult to see how any member of the Texas legislature has been able to find in this action anything but a reasonable one.

This appears to be the complete case uncovered by several weeks of careful investigation. The results justify the faith that Texans have had in the honesty and administrative ability of the railroad commission.

R. F. C. Board Must Obtain New Records

Every man seeking employment from Reconstruction Finance Corporation funds allotted the county must be re-enrolled and a detailed form filled out for him beginning Monday.

The county committee in charge of administration of R. F. C. funds has received the forms from Lawrence Westbrook, state relief commission chairman, appointed by Governor Ferguson.

The "case record" is to be made out for every person to whom relief is granted and is to be used thereafter each time that the person is granted an additional amount of work or direct relief.

Each case is to be serially numbered in a book provided for that purpose according to the serial number. The family name and the Christian name of those applying are to be secured and the present address as well as previous addresses. A careful list of the children and others living in the household is to be secured with their earnings, if any. Full information must be obtained concerning former places of employment of all persons applying and the kind of work they have done. Present income of the family and what resources they have such as relatives who can help, insurance and compensation from the government also must be obtained.

Wildcat Spudded In Dawson County

Ray A. Albaugh spudded in Sunday a wildcat oil test in northwestern Dawson county, about fifteen miles northwest of Lamesa.

The test, located in the northwestern quarter of section 46, block M. E. L. & R. R. Co. survey, was started with a 24-inch bit.

More Liberal Beer Bill Being Prepared For Introduction Monday In Lower House Of Legislature

Revision Of Anderson-Mathis Bill Would Take Off Many Restrictions Probably Allow Sale 'Like Any Other Soft Drink'

AUSTIN (UP)—A new and more liberal beer bill for Texas in formation.

The measure will be a revision of the Anderson-Mathis bill, Rep. John Mathis, Houston, announced, and probably will allow sale of beverage "like any other soft drink."

Its authors planned to have the new bill ready for introduction in the house of representatives Monday and to push it through to committee hearing Monday night.

Exact contents of the rewritten measure were uncertain, Mathis said, but it will take off many restrictions in the previous one. Since the bill declares 3.2 per cent beer non-intoxicating, he said, it would be "inconsistent to hedge it about" by the restrictions placed in the original bill.

With this interpretation, Mathis said, the beverage probably will be allowed sold in grocery stores, filling stations, lunch stands, hotels and drug stores "just like any other soft drink."

The new bill probably will be introduced in the house of representatives Saturday and the house adjourned until Monday when a record vote was called for during consideration of the departmental appropriation bill and a quorum was not present.

Five Die In Fire At Oklahoma Farm

FARGO, Okla., (UP)—Nich Smith, his wife, and his daughter, Marie, Mrs. Roy Smith and her 10-month-old child were burned to death at their farm home near Fargo Saturday. Roy Smith escaped with his two-year-old son. The sleeping family were trapped in the house by explosion of a gasoline stove.

Bank President Held For Killing Of Examiner, Who Purportedly Had Caught Him In Shortage Of Funds

Accused Formerly Lived In Barstow; State Banking Examiner Relates Telephone Conversation

HEADRIK, Okla.—A troubled banker was held in the Jackson county jail at Altus while investigators attempted to learn details surrounding the fatal shooting of J. C. Ernest, state banking examiner, just after he had closed the Citizens state bank here.

J. C. Ernest, president of the bank, admitted he shot the examiner, but said, "I thought I had to." Ernest was shot in the head as he turned from a telephone after advising State Bank Commissioner W. J. Barnett at Oklahoma City, "I have found Brock short."

Murder charges were filed against Brock at Altus, Jackson county seat late in the afternoon. "Justified" At Altus, Brock repeated: "I was justified in doing what I did; that is the only statement I have to make."

The only details entirely clear were those given by Barnett concerning his conversation by telephone with the examiner. Miss Virginia Doane, stenographer for the banking department who accompanied the examiner to Headrick from Altus this morning had just stepped out of the banker's office when the shooting occurred.

"Mr. Ernest had been sitting at a typewriter," Miss Doane said. "He and Mr. Brock had been talking. I wouldn't tell what they said until I have to. They were still talking when I left the bank on an errand for Mr. Brock."

She said that when she returned to the office, Ernest was lying on the floor dead. The young woman then ran out of the bank screaming for help.

Upon being advised of the shooting by Miss Doane, Commissioner Barnett ordered W. B. Jones, bank liquidator of Frederick, to take charge of the bank. State operators from Oklahoma City joined county officers in the investigation. Brock was arrested by Sheriff H. A. Savage and taken to Altus for questioning.

Quilt-Making Not Dormant Art, City Federation Show Discloses

centered on a plain background. The figure itself was made up entirely of differently hued diamond cuts, perfectly arranged.

To Lead Meeting

REV. W. C. ASHFORD, above, of Abilene, will fill the pulpit during a revival meeting opening today at the East Fourth Street Baptist church. He will arrive Monday. The local pastor, Rev. Woodie W. Smith, will fill the pulpit today. The meeting will continue two weeks. Rev. Smith's sermon topic this morning will be "The Atonement."

Patrol Added To Troop 7 Of Boy Scouts

With possibly four-fifths of the available material in the Mexican patrol, Troop No. 7, it became necessary to organize a new patrol Friday with Pilar Yanes as leader. Twelve tenderfeet make up the patrol and chose the name Wildcat for their boy.

Troops Four And Five On Overnight Hike; Troop Three Treasure Hunt

Troop No. 4 enjoyed an overnight hike in the Scout Hut in the city park Friday night. Saturday morning was spent in hiking about the foothills of south mountain. A majority of the troop attended.

Troop Five Hikes

Twenty-two members and special guests participated in an overnight hike by Troop No. 5 Friday 10 south mountain. Scouts spent the time pasting tests and playing playground ball.

Treasure Hunt

Halbert Woodward won a scout knife and Austin Birch eight Indian arrows heads Friday when Troop No. 5 organized a treasure hunt. Originating with a treasure chest at the old Central Ward school location, the treasure was cached in the city park.

Mexican Gas Well Swallows Up Rig

RIO GRANDE (UP)—A Mexican well which struck a tremendous gas pressure at 1268 feet and in 48 hours had wrecked the 140-foot derrick and dropped machinery into a small crater captioned drilling activities in this part of Texas and Mexico today.

The well, officially designated as the Ohio-Mex Oil Company's No. 1, located on a 400,000-acre lease eight miles east of Camargo, Mexico, struck the Rio Grande from here, across the Rio Grande. Its full force was apparently reached yesterday when the heavy steel derrick was wrecked.

The 16-inch casing, set and cemented in the well some time ago, has held and operators who have visited the gasser say it is the only thing that prevents enlargement of the crater opening.

Prevention of fire has become large scaled in the area. All blazes within the district have been quenched, workmen are instructed to handle tools and equipment carefully.

Operators in drilling the well followed methods used at the No. 1 Rancheria well. Cable tools were used in both operations and in each case the blowouts caught workmen unaware. The No. 1 Rancheria well caught fire and burned four days in November, 1932. Three men were killed in the explosion which fired the gasser.

United States operators were chiefly interested in efforts of the crew of the Sioux Oil Company's No. 4-Goodrich, located in the South Los Olmos deep area, to save the well. Faulty cementing prevented production and efforts to pull the casing, set on a top of sand at 1470 feet, have been unsuccessful.

District Meet Of School League Set For April 14-15

The district interscholastic league meet will be held April 14-15 in Abilene, Mrs. Pauline C. Brigham,

30 Per Cent Acreage Cut Required For Crop Loans

Secretary Of Agriculture Involes Rules Allowed When Ninety Millions Of R. F. C. Funds Were Made Available

Reduction of 30 per cent in the acreage planted to cash crops will be required this year of farmers who procure crop production loans, the secretary of agriculture announced in making public the regulations governing the 1933 loans.

In making available for crop production loans this year \$90,000,000 of reconstruction finance corporation funds, congress specified that the secretary of agriculture might require as a condition of any loan that the borrower agree to reduce his acreage or production program on such basis, "not to exceed 30 per centum, as may be determined by the secretary."

The secretary's regulations, however, stipulate that acreage reduction will not be required of farmers who, in 1933, plant no more than eight acres of cotton, 40 acres of wheat, 30 acres of corn, 2 1/2 acres of truck crops, 12 acres of sugar beets, 8 acres of potatoes, 30 acres of rice, 8 acres of peanuts.

Farmers seeking loans this year are advised to obtain application blanks and copies of regulations in their home counties, or from the Washington field agents of the crop production loan office are now designating representatives in each farming county—to inform prospective borrowers of the requirements governing loans and to distribute blanks and other necessary forms. These agents will assist farmers in filling out applications, without charge.

Accompanying the required 30 per cent reduction in acreage planted to cash crops, above the established minimum, the 1933 regulations limit the amount available to any farmer to \$300. In 1932, crop production loans were made to 507,523 farmers, averaging \$128 each. No loan in excess of \$100 will be made to any applicant who is in arrears on as many as two previous loans made by the secretary of agriculture. As last year, interest is fixed at 5 1/2 per cent. No loan is deducted when the advance is made. All loans are due October 31st, 1933. Advances to borrowers may be made in installments, the regulations state, inasmuch as expenditures for crop production are usually made over a considerable period.

One million dollars of the \$90,000,000 available for livestock in drought or storm stricken areas.

Charging a fee for the preparation of a borrower's application is expressly forbidden this year in Section 3 of the Act of Congress authorizing the crop production loans. Congress declared these loan funds "to be impressed with a trust to accomplish the purposes provided for by this resolution—and it shall be unlawful for any person to make any material false representation for the purpose of obtaining any loan or to assist in obtaining such loan or to dispose of or assist in disposing of any crops given as security for any loan made under authority of this resolution, except for the account of the secretary of agriculture, and for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolution."

Section 3 of the act provides in a clause which orders a fine not exceeding \$1000 or imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, for any person found guilty of violating the above provisions.

The remaining regulations announced by Secretary Hyde are similar to those in effect last year. An absolute first lien on all of the crops grown by the borrower in 1933 is required by the act. In counties where fertilizer is not commonly used, the rate must not exceed \$300 an acre for general field crops, and \$12 an acre for truck crops, including potatoes. In counties where fertilizer is commonly used, according to the testimony of representatives of the department of agriculture the rate must not exceed \$6 an acre for general crops, \$10 an acre for truck crops, and \$20 an acre for tobacco. Provisions are made for the maximum allowed per farmer—for the purchase of materials for spraying and dusting, to protect crops from insects and diseases; for payment of water charges; electric power, etc., necessary to crop production.

Provisions are made for production expenses including employment of hand labor, on sugar beets, sugar cane, hops, and rice. Loans may also be made this year for summer following, not to exceed \$20 an acre for acreage not in excess of that planted in 1932, provided a first lien is given on all crops.

county superintendent, has been advised. Big Spring and Howard county will be represented by winners in the county meet this week end and as many as Big Spring cares to enter.

Trustee Election To Be Held April 1

School trustee elections for three independent and more than a score common school districts of Howard county will be held Saturday.

Little interest has been manifested in the various races. In Big Spring it has not been learned whether Mrs. Fox Stripling, for many years secretary of the board, and W. R. Pursler, veteran member, will seek reelection. They are yet unopposed.

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Meeting Set For Tuesday

Recommendations Already Made With Reference To State Situation

The special education committee of the Chamber of Commerce which first convened a committee to act with precision in making recommendations effecting the state educational situation, will meet again Tuesday to consider local problems.

After having had under advisement for a week material affecting this vicinity alone, the committee, composed of business and professional men of the community, is expected to make important recommendations.

Parsons among recommendations made on the state schools were the suggestions duplication in curricula be abolished and a financial entrance requirement be established in all state schools.

Money thus saved and earned would be transferred to the public school system.

The city schools Friday received \$4,362.60 in state apportionment, representing two dollars per capita less 35 cents per capita as the balance due on county administration cost. Seventy-five cents per capita is deducted annually from apportionment to independent districts to finance the office and work of the county superintendent of schools.

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Farley Keeps Brakes On Business Of Dealing Out Jobs While Checking Loyalty Of Congressmen To Program

By HAYMOND CLAPPER United Press Staff Correspondent (Copyright, 1933, By United Press) WASHINGTON, (UP)—Postmaster General Farley is keeping the brakes firmly on Democratic patronage through his emergency program through Congress.

For the time being this giant youthful political manager must be put down as the most genial "no" man Washington has seen in years. On his sturdy shoulders President Roosevelt has thrown the job of rewarding faithful Democrats. But Farley—who asks to be called Jim—is waiting to see just which Democrats are faithful.

One legislator had a typical experience. He telephoned to endorse a fellow congressman's candidate for a postmastership. "I know that congressman. He voted against the economy bill," Farley shot back.

To others who bring prospective appointments to see Farley, he smiles, shifts his chewing gum, and for his non-smoking democrat takes of the politician's usual cigar, and says: "We must let politics wait until more important legislation is out of the way."

That is his way of saying that he is going to wait and see how senators and Congressmen vote before deciding upon appointments. "Come on the hill don't like it. They mumble about high-handed tactics. 'Big Jim' Farley just smiles and protests that there is nothing like that in mind at all. It just takes time, he explains, and the big things must be attended to first.

But this doesn't discourage the callers. The room will barely hold the crowd. It is a large ante-room in the gaunt-towered, gray old post office building on Pennsylvania avenue.

Oil portraits of three Republican national chairmen who also were postmasters general—Will Hays, Harry S. New and Hubert Work—hang in a row, starting placidity at the mob scene below. In the smoke-fogged room sit at least six senators and nobody knows how many congressmen. Each has one or more job hunters in tow bent on a personal introduction. They shift from one foot to the other. They look around anxiously. "It is twelve years," their faces say silently, "since we democrats have had a break and we want what is coming to us."

'Here's How Special' To Take Oklahomans To Where Beer Flows

OKLAHOMA CITY (UP)—The "Here's How Special" will leave Oklahoma City the night of April 6 for Missouri, W. L. Huggins Jr., traffic manager for the Frisco Railroad, has announced.

Huggins expects the special train, scheduled to reach Joplin, Mo., at 12:01 a. m. April 7, will be heavily laden with thirsty Oklahomans denied beer in their state.

"The Special," Huggins explained, "will fill a double need—revenue for the railroad, thirst satisfaction for the patrons."

"The destination will depend on the wishes of the crowd. We'll stop at Joplin, or the nearest point a spot is available. If the gang says the word, we'll hoist the steins in Saint Looy, beer's home town."

Coach Obie Bristow loaded a squad of boys recruited at random into a truck Thursday and, after saying he was going to enter them in a track meet at Colorado and did not expect to win a first place because they had practiced only a few days, went to Colorado and watched his men win the meet in competition against players of four other high schools.

Big Spring took 45 points, Colorado 31 and Snyder ranked third. Other teams competing were Roscoe and Dunn.

Bristow now is considering entering his men in a meet at Midland next Saturday.

Japan Appeals To No Other Nation Says League Of National Delegate; Suggests Withdrawal Of U. S. Fleet

NEW YORK, (UP)—Yusuke Matsukata, head of the Japanese delegation to the League of Nations, arriving in America Friday, asserted Japan "is not appealing to any one for it is not a vassal state to America or any other nation."

He suggested Japanese-American feeling might be improved if the United States would withdraw her fleet from the Pacific. He declared Japan had no intention of relinquishing mandated islands.

Mrs. Shirley Robbins has as her guests her sister, Mrs. Earl Mangrum of Slaton, and her daughter, Doris.

Chapters of the book relate to economic planning, utilization of land, the reorganization of the Government, expenditures and taxation, the direction of progress, the state of agriculture, the power issue, railroads, the tariff, judicial reform, crime and criminals, banking and speculation, holding companies, national and international unity. His views on these subjects must be known now. As one knows he believes in "sound money," public utilities, immediate farm aid, the sacredness of private property without an alarming program of radicalism for any of these problems.

What then distinguishes "Rooseveltism" from the Republican platform, let alone the Democratic? It is this: A transfer of governmental thinking from groups to the individual, that economic planning must be for the consumer and not the producer, that the rights and opportunities of the individual must be conserved. This is Jeffersonian Democracy with one important difference. Thomas Jefferson would obtain these things by 'laissez-faire'; Mr. Roosevelt would achieve them by widespread governmental activity.

Origin of Ideas The President admits the descent of his ideas. "We have in our own country," he writes, "three men who stand out for the universality of their interest—Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and Theodore Roosevelt." All three knew at first hand every cross current of national and international life. All three were possessed of a profound culture in the best sense of the word, and yet all three understood the yearnings and lack of opportunity—the hopes and fears of millions of their fellow-beings. And of the three I think that Jefferson was in many ways the deepest student of the one with the most "unruling" and diversified intellect, and above all, the one who at all times looked farthest into the future.

Then reaching his creed, Mr. Roosevelt says, "I believe that our industrial and economic system is made for the individual citizen, and not for individual men and women for the benefit of the system. I believe that the individual should have full liberty of action to make the most of himself; but I do not believe that in the name of the sacred word 'individualism,' that a few powerful interests should be permitted to make industrial canons of the lives of half the population of the United States." Then the President directs our attention to the fact that two-thirds of the Nation's business is now in the hands of 600 corporations.

O. B. Webb Address Kiwanians And Guests Thursday At First Annual Texas And Pacific Day Program

Speaker Praises Big Spring And Howard County Officials For Economical Operations During Past Two Years

Texas and Pacific Day, which is expected to become an annual affair, was observed Thursday by the Kiwanis club, which had as guests more than a score of men in the service of the company with Ollie B. Webb, assistant to the president of the T. & P. as the principal speaker.

Guests of the day included Messrs. Webb, R. H. Jones, T. R. Crane, R. V. Jones, Mr. Nunnally, Louis Sullivan, J. L. Milner, Wilcox, H. C. Porter, J. L. Danner, R. C. Strick, V. F. Fahrnkamp, Carson, Dooley Potter, J. D. Berry, A. P. Clay, in Raymond Winn, H. F. Williamson, E. L. Deason, all of the T. & P., and J. B. Pickle, E. V. Spence, E. Reagan, Robert T. Piner, Nat Shick, W. L. Hagman.

Mr. Webb expressed appreciation of T. & P. men for the club's invitation, paid his respect to the service organization, and took occasion to compliment the city and county officials here for what he termed outstanding efficiency in operating the city and county government in the past two or three years. He expressed appreciation for loyalty shown the T. & P. by Big Spring business men.

Worth Fighting For "You surely have a town and county worth fighting for," he said. "The Texas & Pacific is interested in your welfare, naturally. So many of our employees live here—and they make the company—and their happiness is increased when Big Spring does well."

"Your town does not go any farther than the men at the head of it and they will go no farther than you wish them to be continued. I looked this morning over records in your city and county offices. I was interested because we are the largest taxpayers in the city and county. If the tax money is wisely expended the Texas & Pacific is very happy that it is the largest taxpayer here."

"I've been along our road and along others and have been coming in contact with records of default and failure written large in the records of local governments. Some have not even paid interest, much less principal, on their indebtedness."

Banker Held In Shooting Of Examiner

HEADRICK, Okla. (UP)—W. C. Earnest, state bank examiner, was shot to death here Friday.

J. C. Brock, president of the Citizens State bank, was arrested after the shooting.

Murray Sees Million In Revenue On Beverages, Whether Alcoholic Or Not, And Other 'Silly' Things

OKLAHOMA CITY (UP)—Oklahoma can collect \$1,000,000 annually by a tax on beverages—alcoholic or non-alcoholic, legal or not legal, Gov. W. H. Murray believes.

He advocated a sales tax on "all things men use through silly fashions, custom or taste—cigars, cigarettes, sporting goods and especially upon all beverages, made, transported, or manufactured in Oklahoma, whether alcoholic or non-alcoholic."

Thus, the governor explained, the state could collect revenue from the bootlegger or beer runner, expected to be numerous when legal beer comes into adjoining states April 7.

The state would tax beer, outlawed by the state constitution, in the manner the tax commission collects a gross production tax from "hot oil" produced in violation of state laws.

'Game Josh' Cosden Makes Another Bid For Riches Here Next Tuesday

"Game Josh" Cosden, who has twice made and lost fortunes in the oil business, makes his third bid for wealth here Tuesday.

When the properties of the company which bears his name are publicly auctioned at the main refinery offices three miles east of here Tuesday, Cosden is expected to be the leading bidder.

For months he has been working on a plan for reorganization which is said to have the approval of most parties interested in the Cosden holdings.

Acquisition of Cosden Oil company properties, developed from a \$3,000,000 capital in 1928 to which they were listed at \$15,000,000 in 1930, is thought to be Cosden's formal gesture toward opening his fight for a third fortune.

Cosden rose from a drug clerk in Maryland to accumulate one of the largest single fortunes to come out of Oklahoma oil development. At one time his wealth was estimated at \$50,000,000, and he and Mrs. Cosden enjoyed favor of the most exclusive social circles.

The Cosdens had as their weekend guest the Prince of Wales in 1924.

Steers Take Track Honors

Hastily Recruited Squad Beats Four Other Outfits

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High-jumping of George Neel, who tied with Coburn at 5 feet 9 inches for first place, a 21-foot 5-inch broad jump by Richbourg, who were the principal features of Big Spring's operations. Neel's leap was higher than his own head.

Results: 100 yard dash: McClinton, Snyder, first; Richbourg, Big Spring; Coburn, Big Spring; Ashley, Dunn.

City To Seek Golf Tourney

West Texas Association's Annual Meet May Be Here

Big Spring will make a bid for the West Texas Golf Tournament this summer.

A committee representing this city will attend a meeting of the executive board Sunday in Mineral Wells. Cities asking for the tournament are Wichita Falls, Abilene, and Big Spring.

Members of the board are Frank Rose of Lamesa, Charlie Qualls of Post City, Lee Henry of Abilene, Mr. Benner of Wichita Falls, and President Allen Guilan of Mineral Wells.

President Roosevelt's New Book, 'Looking Forward' Arouses Great Deal Of Comment In Washington

WASHINGTON — Of all the Roosevelt innovations none has occasioned more comment or stirred stranger reactions than the President's new volume, "Looking Forward." After a decade of conforming conservatism in the White House, the capital does not quite know how to take the traditional-flouting activities of the present occupant. A 250-page volume setting forth his political and economic philosophy and bearing the marks of a presidential message to the people of the United States on the state of the Nation only adds to the bewilderment.

"Looking Forward," to be sure, is essentially a compilation from many articles written and speeches made prior to March 1, 1933, according to Mr. Roosevelt's own introduction. The final chapter is a speech after that date, the momentous inaugural. For all this "Looking Forward" is not a mere souvenir of the campaign. Some one, maybe Mr. Roosevelt, has tied it together and the author has illuminated with his preface one of his ablest compositions to date.

The result is a remarkably clear, clean definition of "The New Deal." Only the title is banal. The contents are forceful, unequivocal and provocative. The style is crisp and graceful and noticeable again in Mr. Roosevelt's ability to state fundamentals with literary simplicity—a simplicity that never descends to vulgarity. It is patent that the President construes his leadership to involve not only congressional legislation but also the thinking of the public. With "Looking Forward" there comes in-

Friday Contract Club Meets At Mrs. Biles'

Mrs. J. D. Biles was hostess to the members and friends of the Friday Contract Club for a delightful session of bridge this week.

Mrs. McNew made high for club members and Mrs. Van Giesen for guests.

The guests of the afternoon were: Mrs. V. Van Gieson, W. W. Ingleman, A. E. Service, Steve Ford, Emil Fahrnkamp, Fred Stephens and J. R. Dillard.

The members attending were Mrs. Ira Thurman, who came in for tea and the following players: Mrs. Home McNew, Albert Fisher, George Wilke, C. W. Cunningham, and Seth H. Parsons.

County Judges' Meeting Opens

WICHITA FALLS (UP)—Business sessions of the West Texas County Judges and County Commissioners association, in annual convention here, opened Friday with Judge A. O. Newman of Coleman presiding.

The delegation was welcomed to Wichita Falls by Mayor Walter Nelson. Judge Newman spoke in response for the visitors who arrived here yesterday for a social program.

"Pending Tax Legislation Affecting Counties," was the subject of an address by Judge E. L. Pitts of Lubbock, secretary of the organization. Judge J. M. Simpson of Potter county spoke on "Problems Confronting New County Judges and Commissioners." Two speakers, Judge Joseph McGill of El Paso county, speaking on "Ways and Means of Economizing in County Government," and G. W. Whitfield, county commissioner of Hale county, speaking on "The Most Economical Way to Maintain Lateral Roads," stressed in their addresses public economies.

Otis Miller, president of the Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas, brought the message of the state group. He spoke on the subject, "A Plan of County Government."

East Texas Field Ordered Shut Down Monday Morning

Ten Thousand Wells May Be Produced At Full Capacity For Two Hours Preceding Time For Indefinite Suspension

AUSTIN (UP)—The approximately 10,000 wells in the East Texas oil field Thursday evening were ordered closed in next Monday at 9 a. m. by the Texas railroad commission. The shutdown will be for an indefinite period.

The commission, state administrator of conservation statutes, issued an order authorizing the wells to flow at maximum capacity through tubing for two hours, from 7 a. m. until 9 a. m. on next Monday, after which they will be closed until ordered opened by the commission.

The field was shut down in August 1930 by order of R. B. Sterling, then governor, and completely closed until the railroad commission could organize itself to administer proration. Troops remained in the field to support the civil authorities until recently.

Support Of Oil Bills Urged By Local Committee

Senator A. P. Duggan and Representative Penrose E. Metcalf have been urged by the oil and gas committee of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce to support Senate bill 446 and House bill 778 with penalty bills. Both are for strict enforcement of oil proration and conservation in the state of Texas.

Strong Group Of Speakers Set For Sixteenth District Convention Of American Legion Here April 18-19

One of the strongest groups of speakers ever assembled for an American Legion district convention, will appear here for the 16th district convention April 18-19.

Carl Nesbit, state commander, will probably be able to participate in the district program here. Commander C. L. Bryant said Friday. Previously it had been announced by state department that Nesbit would be in LaGrange on the dates of the Big Spring convention. However, it is highly probable his plans can be altered to permit his addressing the gathering here.

Col. William E. Easterwood, Dallas, has already accepted a place on the program. Earl East, former state commander and now a member of the attorney general's department, will also speak here, Bryant said.

Women Of America More Beautiful Than Ever, Dermatologists Declare

BY JACK BISCO United Press Staff Correspondent DALLAS (UP)—Here is good news for the women of North and South America. From the uppermost tip of the dominion of Canada to Cape Horn in the southernmost part of Chile, mildy is becoming increasingly beautiful.

And that is not idle flattery, but is the scientific opinion of leading dermatologists assembled here for the Pan-American Medical congress.

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Lieutenant O'Connor made
many speeches for the movies.
It was entirely too much Tam-

The drys were thoroughly dis-
couraged inside and out during the
beer bill discussions. No dry showed
any aggression outside of Con-
gressman Blanton. Senator Borah
did a little pecking here and there
but did not throw the full
force of his bulk into the fray.

One explanation is that everyone
knew it was a losing fight for the
dry side. Another is that the local
dry organizations are not getting
along amicably. They probably
will not work together in pushing
amendments of the bills before
the Supreme Court.

These newspapers which pub-
lished beer advertisements ahead
of time did not take a chance. They
had private assurances from the
Attorney General that it would be
all right before they went ahead.
They got caught when some under-
standingly threatened prosecution by
the Attorney General came through
with a public statement for them.

Politics

The leading opposition figure to
the administration arising in Lon-
gworth is Senator Borah of Idaho.
He has consistently resisted the
Roosevelt program and if the wind
ever changes it will catch his sails.
Recalling Borah's influence, Mr.
Roosevelt called him to the White
House twice for consultations.

Some of the administrative en-
thusiasms have had to be restrained
in their speeches from selling the
President too strongly to the coun-
try. The wind has been passed
down the line to hold the boys in
check. They do not want to repeat
the experience of Mr. Hoover
who was over-sold as a miracle
man during the 1928 campaign.

Allibi

In politics you can make your all-
ibi as you go along.
Take the case of one wise Con-
gressman who did not move out of
his chair between the last session
of Congress and this one. He did
not want to take money for mil-
lions when he did not travel a foot.
Recently the disbursing office sent
him a check covering his mileage
allowance for the new session at
20 cents a mile. His secretary
asked him to sign the check and
asked what should be done.
The Congressman covered his
eyes with his hands and waved the
secretary away saying: "Don't let
me see it. Go ahead and deposit it
like all other checks that come in
here, but never let me lay my eyes
on it."

War

Certain Congressmen have been
writing job applicants stating: "I
can't get the job for but Senator
So and So can." That just doubled
the pressure on Senators. They in-
vestigated and found some of the
Congressmen involved. They are
now speaking to each other now.

Debits

The White House announcement
June 15 war debt payments are ex-
pected is part of the shrewd game
Mr. Roosevelt is playing.
All advances from abroad, confi-
dential and otherwise, show no in-
clination to pay. Negotiations with
the British and others probably
can not be concluded within the
time. Mr. Roosevelt knows all
that. Nevertheless he will cling to
the payment attitude. It gives him
the edge in negotiations. It puts
responsibility on the debtors. If
they want something done they will
have to ask for it.
Meanwhile Mr. Roosevelt can
maintain an air of blissful innoc-
ence.

Decision

An inner Cabinet split has de-
veloped over the move to abol-
ish the Federal Trade Commission. It
is nothing serious.
During recent confidential White
House discussions Secretaries
Ickes, Darr, Perkins and Wallace
are supposed to have protested
against abolishing the Commission.
The other six favored it.
The majority will win.

Lobby

The Chicago grain crowd had
apex when they learned the
farm bill would abolish the futures
grain market. They pulled every
wire in Washington to have the
bill changed. Their lobbyists claim
they were assured the bill would
be altered in the Senate to satisfy
their objections.

Education

Newspapers in Washington
learn much from the politicians.
They learned enough to have the
forthcoming test between the re-
lative merits of Schlitz and Bud-
weiser come out in a dark. It is
all fixed so that the experiment
to be conducted on two free kegs
will be indecisive. Then they will
send back for two more kegs.
It may go on like that indefinitely.

Expectations

A new comedian has launched a
career in the House. He is Everett
M. Dirksen from Abraham Lin-
coln's old district in Illinois. In
debate he uses the Lincoln method
of telling stories. An example is
the one he told about the Farm
Bill not coming up to his expecta-
tions. He said it was like the
happy woman tried for desiring
a pair of stockings in a department
store. The judge asked her if the
stockings did not come up her ex-
pectations.
"Judge," she replied accord-
ing to Dirksen, "they did not even
come up to my knees."

It was considered a good one in
the House and established Dirks-

son's reputation immediately.

Notes

The Roosevelt people prized
most highly the compliment of
Chancellor Chamberlain in the
British House of Commons.
He has been the Gloomy Gus of
Europe during the depression.
It meant something when he said:
"Thanks to the initiative, courage
and wisdom of the new President,
a change has taken place which
might almost be called miraculous."
Practical souls believe Mr.
Roosevelt made a mistake delaying
action on Russian recognition.
The women who called at the White
House endorsing recognition will
unquestionably be answered shortly
by another group opposing it.
That would mean a fight before
he can get started.
The Treasury is irked about a rich
New York banker. He bought gold
bars in large quantities and could
have been smart enough to take them
to a bank as collateral for a loan.
It cost him only 2 per cent to keep
liquid and the Treasury can not
expect him because the bank has
the gold. If Mr. Hoover had
offered the Farm Bill in the House
he would have been defeated 433
to 0.

NEW YORK
By James McMillan

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Soviets

These some men will tell you not
to be misled by Hitler's avowed
antipathy to the Communists. Russia
doesn't mind. There is a strong
German-Russian agreement in ef-
fect. The two countries are linked
by Germany's desire to offset the
Franco-Polish menace, and by Mos-
cow's conviction that when all the
shouting is over Hitler will fall to
lead his followers into the promised
land of milk and honey and will in-
evitably fall. As Moscow sees it,
the Left Wing Hitlerites then will
break away and join the Commun-
ists.

Pooling

The Supreme Court decision in
favor of the 137 coal operators who
pooled for distribution. Interests
particularly oil companies and de-
partment stores here. Several im-
portant oil executives would like
to pool their selling activities to
cut costs and some department
stores are already discussing a joint
purchasing organization for the
same reason.
Nothing has progressed beyond
the stage of discussion. There is
open discussion in either case.
Meanwhile a few lawyers are do-
ing a rushing business.

Silver

Anti-inflationists of the Wall
Street districts are figuring on the
chances of the currency expansion-
ists, the dollar devaluators and the
silverites in Congress getting to-
gether. None of these groups has
anything like a majority by itself.
If it comes to a last-ditch situation
silver is regarded as the least dan-
gerous of the three expedients.
A well-known financier, discussing
silver, says: "Don't think China
wants dear silver. She doesn't.
She is building her interior up
successfully on silver, and if silver
gets expensive she will be as
good of luck as we are when gold
gets expensive.
It is worthwhile keeping in
mind that India has been selling
several hundred million dollars
worth of gold annually to England
and the U. S. A. during the last
two years, and buying silver rup-
pees instead. She is betting that sil-
ver is about to become expensive.
Just watch her board it."

Commodities

Inside talk among brokers is that
with any development of inflation
copper, cotton, wheat and silver
will be most active on the ex-
changes. Copper is already up 20
per cent from the bottom and most
minerals of copper also produce sil-
ver. Silver is generally rated as
certain to be used more and more
for money. Cotton is cheap and
wears out quickly. And wheat has
always been a favorite with the
gamblers who usually run for quick
profits at any sudden change such
as inflation might bring.
The whisper is prevalent that
some sort of silver rabbit is certain
to come out of Washington. Mem-
bers of the speculative fraternity
are already applying the early bird
adage.

Currency

The new Federal Reserve cur-
rency is almost going begging in
this district.
The total issued since the holiday
ended amounts only to about
\$6,000,000.

Unemployment

Mr. Roosevelt's unemployment
program meets general approval
here but it is recognized as only a
preliminary to what must follow.
Most local authorities are talking
in terms of a billion-dollar baby
bond issue for street relief and

public works. There may be rapid
developments along that line very
soon.

A local utility company is trying
a new method of staff reduction. A
blanket invitation was sent to all
staff members to resign if possible.
They were offered two weeks' pay
plus a bonus of one week's pay for
every year of service. There have
been these acceptance to date but
the whole staff is badly scared.

It is understood that the Labor
Department is making a survey for
publication to show how payroll
and telephone companies while di-
vidends were being maintained in
full. Consolidated Gas, Brooklyn,
Edison, Public Service of New Jer-
sey and subsidiaries of American
Telephone are said to be particular
targets. Brooklyn Edison has laid
off 20,000 employees in two years.

Education

Four key men of a French news-
agency came to these shores last
week. These publicists have orders
to burn up the cables so that the
French public may be acquainted
with opinion all over the United
States showing that now this coun-
try has a full understanding of
France's need for security.
A high French government official
says that by the time these men
have done their job Mr. Aver-
gane-Frenchman will be just as will-
ing that America should be paid as
he was adamant against payment
last year.

Tammany

There were inside reasons for the
orders sent out to Tammany Con-
gressmen from Leaders Curry and
McCoy that they are expected
hereafter to support the President.
Curry's hand was forced by some
of the Manhattan district leaders
who still have hopes for patronage
plus. It is significant that Tam-
many members who vote FOA for
the Economy Bill came from districts
whose leaders originally opposed
Curry's election.

Wet

Justice Stone of the U. S. Su-
preme Court was looking bad when
in New York the other day.
"What's the matter?" a friend
asked him. "I miss my daily medicine
of rum," he replied. "Mr. Hoover is
gone. I was the sorrowful reply. 'What am
I to do? How am I to get my ex-
ercise?'"
"Reckon you'll have to learn to
swim!" the New Yorker ad sed.
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NEW ORDER

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11)
Parker Kenrick
R. D. Parker, chairman of the
oil and gas division of the commis-
sion, left Austin for Texarkana
Wednesday to confer with them
and draw up new regulations.
Some men believe that the en-
route back to Austin the three
planned to stop at Kilgore, field
headquarters of the commission,
and issue a somewhat revised or-
der there.
The judge's order declared that
it applied to him that "immediate
and irreparable injury, loss and
damage" would result to the com-
plainant before a hearing could be
had upon its application because
"there is an uncertainty as to
when said order may be attempted
and put into effect—immediately
upon very brief notice and be-
fore an opportunity could properly
be given for a hearing before this"
or other courts of jurisdiction.
It also was pointed out that "by
reason of the present situation in
the field considering the equip-
ment and previous operations in
the same" such an order by the
railroad commission would prob-
ably result "in great physical waste
and endanger life and property"
besides preventing business opera-
tions of several owners and op-
erators in the field, causing them
"a large and useless expense for
an indefinite period."

Sweeping Order

The order was directed against
the railroad commissioners and
their agents in the enforcement of
the "new" gas docket number
120" (the order providing for a
two-hour test and then a subse-
quent total shutdown of the en-
tire field).
The judge by his action would
prevent putting the order into ef-
fect or attempting to promulgate any
amendments or additions and from
enforcing any other or like order
of similar import "until the fur-
ther order of this court."

The complainants were required
to give bond of \$1,000 for the pay-
ment of such costs and damages
as may be incurred or suffered by
any party wrongfully enjoined or
restrained thereby.
The defendants were told to ap-
pear before the court here at 10 a.
m. April 8, or at such other time
as might be fixed by the court, to
apply for modification or revoca-
tion of the order.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The oil in-
dustry's troubles were laid before
President Roosevelt Wednesday
night with the urgent request he
ask congress to pass legislation for
unprecedented government regula-
tion of its affairs.
The administration sponsored
governors' aid conference late
Wednesday approved unanimously
a sweeping program "to meet the
existing emergency," the principal
points of which were recomman-
dations a personal representative of
the chief executive be named to
help bring about order in the oil
business and that a law be passed
to keep that order.

Former Husband Of Ann Harding Here

Harry Bannister, stage and
screen actor and former husband
of Ann Harding of screen fame,
stopped here Sunday in his private
airplane. He was enroute to Cal-
ifornia and said he expected to sail
soon for China to do some writ-
ing.

Bannister escaped injury at Ok-
lahoma City earlier Sunday when
the ship struck a boundary light
at the airport, while landing. The
pair was repaired and he contin-
ued his journey.

ly at variance with those adopted.

Ellott, who was President Roose-
velt's campaign manager in Cali-
fornia during last year's campaign
called with his group at the White
House during the day. He said his
delegation was "eminently satisfied
with our conference."

The majority program sent to the
White House through Secretary
Ickes also recommended President
Roosevelt immediately call upon
the governors of California, Kan-
sas, Oklahoma, Texas and New
Mexico to close until April 15, all
flush wells in their states, except-
ing those which would be irrepara-
bly damaged by shutting down.

Through these laws some of
which already are on the statute
books, and the proposed good
offices of the president, the oil men
believe they could arrive at quotas
which would prevent overproduc-
tion.

On the quotas were allocated,
congress, should the pre cent
agree, would be urged to pass legis-
lation preventing shipment out of
a state of petroleum or its deriva-
tives made in violation of these
quota regulations.

The oil men felt this law would
end quickly violations of the state
laws, since little or none of the
excess could be used in the
ground unless it could be sent
across state lines.

REPEAL

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11)
dul of Houston; Wilbourne B. Col-
lie of Eastland; W. R. Cousins of
Beaumont; Tom DeBerry of Bogota;
T. J. Holbrook of Calveston; Will
John W. Hornsby of Austin; Will
M. Martin, of Hillsboro; Joe M.
Moore of Freenville; Ben G. O'Neal
of Wichita Falls; Archie Parr of
Benavides; George Purl of Dallas,
Nat Patton of Crockett; K. M.
Ragan of Pecos; Gus Rusek of
Schulenburg and Clint C. Small of
Amarillo.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—With 32
beer and wine scheduled to become
legal within little more than a
week, congress raged today toward
enactment of another modification
of the Volstead law—removing the
limitation on the amount of liquor
physicians may prescribe for medi-
cal purposes.

The Copeland bill to lift the ex-
isting limit on liquor prescriptions
passed the senate before many of
its members knew what had hap-
pened. It was sent to the house
where leaders planned to approve
it tomorrow.

Merely providing "no more liquor
shall be prescribed to any person
than is necessary to supply his medi-
cal needs," the bill would re-
peal the Volstead law's provision
that a physician may issue only 100
prescriptions a month and not
more than a pint to a patient each
10 days.

"Model" Bill Approved
Almost simultaneously with the
senate action on the Copeland
measure, its District of Columbia
committee approved a beer bill for
the national capital, designed as
"model" for the rest of the coun-
try.
It would permit sale of 3.2 per
cent beer or wine by bona fide res-
taurants, hotels, clubs and other
clubs for consumption on the
premises, and to motorists at bar-
becue stands, provided automobiles
were parked off the street.

Licenses for sale on the premises
would cost \$100, while those sell-
ing the beverages to consumers
elsewhere would have to pay \$50.
The license fee for brewers would
be \$1,000 and for wholesalers and
distributors \$250.

Sponsored by Doctor
The medical liquor bill, sponsored
by the physician, Senator Copeland
(D-NY) was called up in the
senate by Senator King (D-Utah)
and passed without a word of de-
bate.

When the clerk finished reading
it for action on committee amend-
ments, the president Garner
quickly dropped out the formula—
"without objection the bill is
passed"—and even the ever watch-
ful Sheppard (D-Texas) was
caught napping.

Without apparently realizing the
bill had passed Sheppard voiced
opposition to the measure, but
would watch its operation carefully
because he had "many misgivings
about it."

Senator Robinson, democratic
leader, suggested at least the bill's
sponsors should explain its provi-
sions to the senate, but King re-
plied that was not necessary as
the measure had passed already.
Garner Jokes in Laughter
Vice President Garner joined in
the laughter at the expense of
Robinson and Sheppard.
In reporting the bill he senate
judicial committee estimated it
would save \$110,000 a year by the
use of stamps instead of prescrip-
tion blanks, would permit patients
all the liquor they needed, and
would insure that secrecy regard-
ing their ailments.

At that time the physicians
are required to report to the gov-
ernment the ailments requiring
prescription of liquor, but the bill
would repeal this regulation.

"What Big Teeth You Have, Grandma!"



AUSTIN—The shroud of darkness that has robbed Texas of \$4,000,000 in tax revenues yearly and permitted development of a tremendous "racket" in the gasoline business, has been torn away by the teeth in the new gas tax enforcement law, in the opinion of close observers at the capitol.

The bill passed by both houses, was signed by the governor last Tuesday. It becomes effective immediately as an emergency measure, and repeals all previous legislation on the subject. It was sponsored by Rep. Penrose Metcalfe of San Angelo and Rep. Harmon.

The new law makes deliberate evasion of the gasoline tax a felony, with fines of from \$100 to \$5,000, jail sentences of from one to six months and penitentiary terms up to two years.

It creates a motor fuel tax division under the state comptroller, with two lawyers and a full force of investigators, auditors, chemists, etc., yet at no cost to the taxpayers, for a fraction of one per cent of the gas tax is set aside to pay them. Their activities are expected to recover at least \$4,000,000 a year.

The new law sets a chemical standard for gasoline. Provisions of the law dealing with manufacture, transportation and marketing of gasoline are regarded "this proof" as possible. Complete sets of interlocking records must be kept, from the run of crude oil until the gasoline goes into a motorist's car. They must be open to inspection at any time. Books must also be kept on kerosene, naphtha and other tax-free fuels commonly blended with gasoline, and retailers may be checked to see if they sold such fluids under their proper names. This will be a serious check on blending, the commonest form of tax evasion, by which a retailer mixes tax-free fluids with tax-paid gasoline, and collects tax on the entire amount.

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Senate Given Huge Relief Fund Measure

WASHINGTON (AP)—The administration bill to permit the president to employ 250,000 jobless men in the nation's forests was passed Tuesday afternoon by the senate.

The administration's bill to create a half billion dollar unemployment relief fund was reported to the senate Tuesday by the banking committee after the Roosevelt reforestation measure.

The bill would permit the federal government to make direct grants of relief funds to states instead of loaning the money.

The committee voted to limit to fifteen per cent of the total the amount one state could receive.

Matsuoka Says Japanese Harbor 'American Menace' As Strongly As American The 'Yellow Peril'

Editor's Note: A short, outspoken little statesman, Yosukata Matsuoka, is spreading a new kind of oriental diplomacy through the western world. Now, in an epochal visit to the United States, he is presenting Japan's case in the Manchurian conflict with a reverse outlook on many long-standing American ideas. Today, in an interview published by the New York World-Telegram, Matsuoka gives Americans a striking and perhaps surprising outlook on relations between two great Pacific powers. It follows:

"Japan, on the other hand, buys annually more of your raw materials and your manufactured goods than all the rest of Eastern Asia combined."

"He insisted that China did not and never had ruled in Manchuria."

"The forceful, blunt little Japanese cast aside the usual barriers of diplomacy to clarify the position of his government and people concerning American-Japanese relations in an interview published today in the New York World-Telegram."

Replying to a question relating to Japan's attitude in event the United States, in view of present conditions, should choose to pursue "military enterprises" which it agreed not to pursue in the Pacific—that is, erect certain fortifications on island possessions—Matsuoka said:

"We have no territory or fortifications in American waters. But you keep one in eastern waters. You have great advantages over us already. Why do you want more? We cannot harm you, but you can harm us. Do you want to? Your long, persistent criticisms of us sometimes make some of us think you do."

Asked if the Japanese people in general appreciate "the fact that American interest in the Far East is chiefly with maintaining anti-war treaties," he replied:

Dollar A Day Wage Level Is Main Trouble

William Green Called Into Conference Saturday Afternoon

WASHINGTON (AP)—The senate labor committee failed to reach an agreement Saturday on President Roosevelt's reforestation bill and called a conference with William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, who is opposing it.

Chairman Walsh indicated the bill would be modified to provide more general terms. This might result in elimination of the provision for a dollar a day wage level which the labor federation is fighting.

Redrafting of the bill was predicted by chairman of both house and senate labor committees as they concluded joint hearing on it Friday, but there was strong support among members of the two committees for retention of the measure's essential outlines.

Chairman Conroy called a meeting of the house committee for Monday. He said he would submit a substitute proposal which he outlined at the White House conference Wednesday night but for which he failed to obtain President Roosevelt's approval. Organized labor's opposition to the bill was expressed at the joint committee hearing by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. He said it provided for the regimentation of labor in peace times and would demoralize the nation's wage levels.

"They regiment labor in fascist Italy, in Hitler Germany, and Soviet Russia," he said, waving his arms for emphasis, "but it seems to me the spirit of America is not in favor of the regimentation of labor here."

Spirit of America
"Let us do it in a way that is in accord with the spirit of America. Let labor work, but let it work voluntarily and freely."

In strange contrast to Green's contention, the bill constituted "a form of socialism," the committee were told by a communist leader, Herbert Benjamin, that his organization was "unqualifiedly opposed" to the measure.

Benjamin, speaking for the national committee of unemployed councilors, said it would regulate a system of forced labor. He demanded unemployment insurance and cash payment of the bonus.

Earlier, Chairman Conroy had suggested the bill in its present form like a "draft-act" under which men would be picked up on the streets and forced to go to work camps for a year.

Douglas MacArthur, army chief of staff, who was on the stand at the time, denied this interpretation, saying the plan seemed to him "entirely voluntary."

Members of the committee pointed out the president had consented to modification of the legislation to make it clear that the enlistments would be voluntary. Walsh said that was one of the changes he probably would be made in the bill.

Conroy said, however, he would push a substitute proposal under which men would be enlisted for a month instead of a year, and paid \$50 or \$60 a month, depending upon whether or not they were married, instead of \$60. The president has opposed this.

At the outset of the hearing, Lewis Douglas, budget director, testified the president's plan would be financed for the remainder of this fiscal year from \$40,000,000 of unobligated public building funds. Green testified the bill would establish a "dollar a day" wage level for unskilled labor and put "regimented labor" at work now done at regular wages.

"You can't restore prosperity by paying men below a subsistence level," he said.

Several members of the committee told of laborers in various sections of the country working now for less than the compensation proposed in the bill, but the labor heard insisted "you can not relieve conditions by adding misery to misery."

Preparations For Suit Led By J. F. Lucey

Has Observed Proration But New Plan 'Gets On His Nerves' He Says

DALLAS (AP)—Application for a federal court injunction to restrain the railroad commission from throwing the East Texas oil field wide open, then shutting it down Monday for an indefinite period was being prepared.

Captain J. F. Lucey said he had authorized preparation of papers for the suit.

Lucey, a director of the American Petroleum Institute and chairman of the East Texas chamber of commerce oil committee, said he would "be inclined" to seek a federal court injunction tomorrow unless the Texas railroad commission modified its order shutting down all wells in the East Texas fields at 9 a. m. next Monday.

"Of course," he said, when informed that the commission was considering rescinding or modifying the order, "if that action is taken it would obviate the necessity of obtaining an injunction tomorrow. No definite decision in the matter will be made until tomorrow."

He added that the commission's provision in the order that the 10,000 wells in the field flow wide open from 7 a. m. until 9 a. m. be the complete shutdown, "is ridiculous, unworkable and impractical."

"I have tried to support proration, be patriotic and all of that sort of thing," he said, "but this last order gets on my nerves."

House Begins Debate On Bill For New Board

Commission Would Govern Utilities, Natural Resources

AUSTIN (AP)—Debate on the bill to establish a combination public utilities-natural resources commission was started in the house Tuesday. No vote had been taken at noon.

Relief Committee Member Shot Down

BENTON, Ill. (AP)—John Ward, member of the West Frankfort relief committee, was shot and killed at West Frankfort Monday by several men who fired from an automobile and drove away.