

Keeping 15 men busy repairing my farm buildings is harder work than being president of the United States.—Calvin Coolidge.

PEACE TALK IN ORIENT HEARD

ROBBERY SUSPECT IS DEAD

Dies Without Telling How Bank Robbery Accomplished

PICAYUNE, Miss., Feb. 29. (UP). J. W. Ward, 28, of San Antonio, a suspected outlaw, died early today from wounds received in a battle with possemen near here Friday.

Heel Flies Beset Cattle on Ranges

If you see a cow placidly grazing the fresh grass one minute and then go off into a convulsion that terminates in a comic disappearance act over the nearest ridge, blame the heel flies, not the cow's mental state, say Midland county cattlemen.

1,277 Students In System Now

School enrollment has reached the 1,277 mark. The corresponding enrollment last year was 1,433. Contrasted enrollment now and last year follows:

Table with 3 columns: Grade level (Senior high, Junior high, North ward, South ward, Mexican school, Negro school), 1931-32 enrollment, 1930-31 enrollment.

Two less teachers are being used in the grades this year than last. The total enrollment one month ago was 1248, which means that 29 new pupils have been enrolled during the last 20 days.

C. C. Supports Plan To Draw Tourists

Joining in moral support of a broadcast station that will assist in routing highway trade through Midland and insure Midland merchants a part of the funds expended by tourists was voted Saturday morning by directors of the Midland chamber of commerce.

Therefore it is resolved that the Midland chamber of commerce heartily endorse the construction and operation of such a station provided the operation of such a station conforms in every respect to the code of ethics and the general provisions required by the laws of the United States, and further provided that such station is not used in such a way as would tend to uphold a high standard of operation and be for the betterment and general uplift of the American radio audience.

FAR EASTERN SITUATION UP TO NOW

July 14, 1931—Shanghai Chamber of Commerce votes to boycott Japanese goods because of rioting in Korea and alleged massacres of Chinese there. September 19-20—First clashes of Japanese and Chinese in Mukden.

Verdant Grass and Perfumed Blossoms Out; Weather Prophets Mix in Forecast

To most, it's a bloomers' sight the way trees are putting out in Midland during this warm weather, and the perfume of blossoms is being blown here and there.

JUDICIAL CHANGE URGED IN A POW WOW OF PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. (UP)—President Hoover sent a special message to congress urging important changes in the judicial procedure designed to facilitate the administration of justice.

Midlanders Buy Bulls at Auction

George W. Glass and John Gist bought cattle Saturday in Sweetwater at the semi-annual sale of the Texas Hereford association.

Duplicate Contract Bridge to Be Played Here in Connection With World Tourney

Midland will be among the hundreds of towns in 27 different countries where the World Bridge Olympic will be held on the evening of April 1.

New Action Photos from the Chinese Front



Features contorted with pain... the fear of death tortuously written in her face... a Chinese woman who was shot down during the fighting in Shanghai is pictured here as she lay in a street on a bed of rags.



Their only barricade the scattered ruins of a building demolished by shellfire, troops of the defending Chinese forces are shown in this Reporter-Telegram-NEA Service picture as, with machine guns and rifles leveled, they crouched to await a Japanese charge.



"Prepare to fight to the last bullet... the last man" With these stirring words, General Tsai Ting-Kai directs his courageous Chinese Nineteenth Route Army in its inspired defense of the Shanghai area.

2-Weeks Singing School Opened

A two-weeks singing school was opened today at the Church of Christ by Professor Thomas S. Cobb, of Fort Worth, writer of sacred songs and an employee of the Quartet Music company of Fort Worth.

RECOVERING FROM PARACHUTE JUMP

HOUSTON, Feb. 29. (UP)—Ray Hartman, parachute jumper, was recovering from injuries suffered Sunday when a double parachute failed to function properly in a 2,500-foot jump.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR GULF OFFICIAL

HOUSTON, Feb. 29. (UP)—Funeral services were held today for C. L. Kerr, 65, salesmanager of the Gulf Refining company, who was found shot to death Sunday in his office in the Gulf building.

SAY REGULATION OF SHORT SALES WOULD BE FATAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. (UP)—Leaders of the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges opposed the regulation of short selling cotton as "a dangerous and inadvisable experiment," which they said would cause further financial disturbances.

Odessa Lodge Service Here

Odessa officials of the Knights of Pythias lodge will be installed in Midland this evening, in an unusual service that includes their attendance at opening ceremonies in their own lodge, moving to Midland for the installation, and ending the evening by attendance at closing ceremonies at their own lodge.

Charter Issued For Corporation

Charter for the Hereford Stock Farms, Inc., with capital of \$100,000, has been issued in Austin. The incorporators are Leon Goodman, Herbert Berry and Mrs. Rose Goodman, all of Midland.

Remote Control to Ring Bells Sunday For Church's Rally

This business of ringing church bells in Midland's 'a' Sundays, revived Sunday by the First Methodist church, is taking on new aspects.

TWO PLANES LAND

B. F. Hines, piloting his Ryan plane from Wichita Falls to Wink, stopped at Sloan field for fuel this morning.

CUT-OFF HEARING PUT OFF, WIRE SAYS

The road hearing in Austin, brought about by towns marshaled against each other on the Weatherford-Ranger cut-off proposal, has been postponed until some time in April, according to a telegram received by the Midland chamber of commerce this morning.

DR. THOMAS RETURNS

Dr. John B. Thomas returned to Midland Sunday from a week's business trip to the Rio Grande valley.

RESERVE OFFICERS MEET

The reserve officers training school will open this evening at 7:30 in the office of Ralph Bucy, in the county court building.

SMALLPOX BREAKS OUT IN U. S. CAMP

SHANGHAI, Feb. 29 (UP)—Smallpox has broken out among American soldiers of the 31st infantry guard in the international settlement, causing two deaths.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS

The bath tub is a good place to brush up on your reading.

RUMBLINGS OF WAR NOT DIMINISHED

American Loan Has Tokyo Restive; Soviet Mass

GENEVA, Feb. 29. (UP)—The council of the League of Nations was informed at a public session tonight by Sir John Simon, British foreign secretary, that Japan and China have agreed in principle for "mutual and simultaneous" withdrawal from the Shanghai area.

U. S. Loan Report Disquieting

TOKYO, Feb. 29. (UP)—Reports of a \$30,000,000 American loan to Chinese defenders in Shanghai was received here today, overshadowing other developments.

100,000 Soviets Are Making Preparations

TOKYO, Feb. 29. (UP)—The Japanese consul general of Vladivostok has been informed by a "reliable source" that 100,000 Soviet troops have been concentrated in Soviet maritime provinces and that extensive warlike preparations were under way.

