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Fair and warmer forecast for West Texas tonight and Tuesday.

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Bids Made on Scharbauer Annex Today

Hoover's Special Session of Congress Convenes Today

FARM-TARIFF PROBLEMS UP

Curtis Takes Chair as Notable Group Look On

WASHINGTON, April 15. (UP)—President Hoover's new and strongly republican congress convened in special session at noon today.

Upon his call to deal with farm relief and restricted tariff revision with the farm bill prepared as the first order of business, both houses were opened to transact routine business necessary to organizing the session.

Vice President Curtis took the chair in the Senate where he has been floor leader for seven years, while a distinguished audience of Washington society people and diplomats looked on from the gallery.

The oath of office was administered to four senators.

The usual resolutions of notification that Congress was in session were adopted.

BUS HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THIS SECTION

AUSTIN, Texas, April 15.—(UP)—The motor bus division of the state railroad commission will take up a series of hearings in various parts of the state this week.

A partial schedule has been prepared.

Hearings will be held at Brownsville on April 18 on application of the Missouri Pacific Transportation company to substitute railroad depots for town bus stations in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and to discontinue the early morning runs out of Mercedes and Harlingen.

Hearings will be held at Dallas on April 22 on applications for bus permits between Celeste and Paris; between Mineola and Gladewater; between Mineola and Grapvine; between Mineola and Longview.

Hearings will be held April 23 at Mineral Wells on applications for permits for lines between Electric and the state line on the route to Altus, Oklahoma; between Wichita Falls and Lake Kemp; between Hamlin and Childress; between Wichita Falls and the state line on the route to Frederick, Oklahoma, and between Minerals Wells and Millsap.

Hearings will be held April 24 and April 25 at Abilene. Those set for April 24 are on applications for permits for lines. They are for proposed lines between Lubbock and Lockney; between Littlefield and Hereford; between Iran and McCull; between Monahans and Wink; via Wickett; between Hereford and Brownfield via Dimmitt, Olton, Littlefield, and Loveland; between Big Spring and Forsan; between Big Lake and Big Spring and between Monahans, Kermit and Wink.

The hearing on April 25 will be on the following applications for permits: Between Sweetwater and Coleman via Winters (application by West Texas Coaches and Bogan Caldwell); between Lamesa and Brownfield via Lou; between San Angelo and Colorado, Tex., via Robert E. Lee; between Van Horn and the state line on the route to Carlsbad, N. M.

Between Floydada and Lubbock, via Petersburg; between Odessa and Brownfield via Andrews, Seminole, Seagraves, Wellman and Lahey; between Clarendon and the state line on the route to Hollis, Okla., via Wellington; between Amarillo and the state line on the route to Guyon, Okla., via Stratford.

Star-Telegram Writes Midland Girl Orator

Miss Lucille McMullan, who has passed through successive competition to the right of representing Midland at San Angelo in the district oratorical contest, has been written as follows by J. M. North, editor of the Star-Telegram.

April 11, 1929. Miss Lucille McMullan, Midland High School, Midland, Texas.

Dear Miss McMullan: The district competitions in the Oratorical Contest will be held in San Angelo on April 20, at 9 o'clock a. m. in the San Angelo high school auditorium. Mr. H. G. Stovall of the San Angelo high school will conduct the contest.

Please advise us by return mail if you will be on hand as representative of Midland County, as it is necessary that we furnish Mr. Stovall with the names of the contestants within the next few days. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed, for your convenience in replying.

The winner of this meet will represent the district in the division finals to be held in Fort Worth on April 26, with all expenses paid and a chance to win one of the three cash prizes offered. The first place winner in the latter contest will take part in the Southwestern Finals at New Orleans.

Yours very truly, J. M. North Jr., Editor.

Midland Chamber Invites Virginia Geologists Here

Students studying geology in Virginia Polytechnic Institute have been invited by the Midland Chamber of Commerce to make this city one of their stops in their 8,000 mile field trip.

The V. P. I. geology class will leave Blacksburg, Va., on June 22, and will visit 20 states. Their closest announced visit to Midland will be Carlsbad Caverns. The Midland Chamber is urging that the geologists visit Midland to fraternize with West Texas Permian basin geologists who are residents of this city.

Suggestion to invite the traveling geologists to visit Midland was made by Charles A. McClintic, a former student of V. P. I. McClintic has agreed to barbecue a calf on his ranch to give the Easterners not only a "taste" but a full meal of West Texas grub cooked in the West Texas manner. It is believed such hospitality by McClintic would give Midland wide advertising.

EMBEZZLER TO BE RETURNED TO FACE TRIAL

SEATTLE, Wash., April 15.—(AP)—Fred E. McCarty, wanted in Dallas on charges of embezzlement, will be returned to Dallas, probably on Wednesday, the United States Marshal's office announced today.

McCarty was arrested there by federal authorities and waived extradition to face four charges of forgery and passing instruments in Dallas in connection with illegal business transactions.

A federal indictment charging violation of the federal bankruptcy law is also pending against the prisoner.

Rodeo at Fair Grounds Pleases Crowd Sunday

Rodeo attractions at the fair grounds Sunday exceeded the expectations of a good crowd who gathered. Curtis Short, San Angelo cowboy who was to have attempted riding a noted outlaw broncho, was badly bitten by a mule and had to be substituted for by "Hackberry Slim" Johnson, the promoter.

The promoter showed the fans that he can still revive the impression that, as a tamer of broncs, he still holds sway.

Odessa beat the Buick Boosters 6-3 in a ball game.

TANK WORKMEN INJURED WHEN PLATE FALLS

During the heavy wind Sunday afternoon, two workmen at the Magnolia tank farm engaged in oil storage tank construction were hurt when a scaffold broke and let a heavy steel plate fall upon them.

Gus Runkle, 57, suffered a spine fracture and other injuries. He is paralyzed from his shoulders down, according to attaches of the hospital.

T. P. Ingle was injured about the head and body.

Both men worked for the United Iron Works. Ingle is a married man.

Mrs. Sharples to Lecture Girls On "Garden of Life"

"The Garden of Life," or woman's responsibility to her country, ideals, herself and the coming generation, will be taken up tonight by Mrs. Jennie Miller Sharples, evangelist here in the interest of the National Purity League, at the Presbyterian church.

The meeting opens at 8 o'clock. Primarily, the service is for girls, but every mother is invited. Girls of the church will preside over, usher and meet the crowd.

BODY OF FORMER SENATOR BAILEY PLACED ON TRAIN

DALLAS, July 15.—(UP)—Accompanied by hundreds of friends and admirers, the body of former United States Senator Weldon Bailey was taken to Gainesville from Dallas today on a special funeral train leaving here at noon for the funeral in Gainesville this afternoon.

Services were conducted at the First Presbyterian church here at 10:30 today, with Doctor William N. Anderson officiating.

BAILEY RITES TO BE TODAY

DALLAS, April 15.—(AP)—Simple funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church here today for Joseph Weldon Bailey, former United States Senator for Texas, who died suddenly at Sherman Saturday.

After the services here, the body was placed aboard a special train for Gainesville, where burial ceremonies will be held this afternoon. The body will be placed beside that of Mr. Bailey's first wife. Several hundred persons were expected to accompany the body to Gainesville.

Negroes Make Hit At Presbyterian Church Sunday

The musical program at the Presbyterian church last night was a big success. Seating room was hard to find and the time seemed short, so interesting was the entire program. The choir of the church gave some fine music, notable numbers being by the men's quartet, "Have Thine Own Way Lord," and a solo, "It Was for Me," by Mrs. James A. Finlayson. The innovation was the work of the choir of 12 members of the Negro Methodist church, led by their preacher, Rev. Henry Tyler. When they sang "Swing Low Sweet Chariot," and "There Ain't No Room Down Here," with characteristic harmony and feeling, all the people seemed delighted. An offering of \$16.80 was given to them, and will be used toward the building fund of a church building which they need. They are now using the building of the Negro Baptist church in northeast Midland two Sundays each month.

Smithville Storm Damage Estimated At Over \$60,000

SMITHVILLE, April 15.—(AP)—Damage done by a storm here yesterday was placed at over \$60,000. Several persons were injured, none fatally. Several houses were wrecked.

SILVER IGNORES MOTHER'S PLEA

HOUSTON, April 15.—(UP)—Bob Silver has ignored his mother's plea to give himself up, although his mother, Mrs. Louise Silver of Fort Worth, begged him through letters in newspapers and over radio to return to prison.

Silver still eluded officers in Houston last night. A grand jury called today to investigate a charge of willfully permitting the prisoner to escape was filed against G. A. Thompson, guard on duty when the escape was made.

Wife and Husband Killed by Axeman

BIRMINGHAM, April 15.—(AP)—Beverly Wharton, 30, was killed and his wife assaulted in their home here today by an axe murderer.

Two children sleeping in the same room were unharmed.

Today's crime occurred across the street from where a similar crime was committed last May, a crime which has not yet been solved.

Going After the Big Fellow Who Always "Got Away!"



FLYER KILLED AS PARACHUTE FAILS TO OPEN

GUMBO, Mo., April 15.—(UP)—National guardsmen today found the body of Lieut. Sharpley Gray, who leaped from a disabled plane here last night while he was en route to St. Louis from Jefferson City.

The failure of his parachute to open caused the death of Lieutenant Gray. The unopened parachute was found rumped to the body, which was discovered in an underbrush near where the plane crashed.

Capt. William Milmer, pilot of the plane, escaped by a parachute, and made a safe landing.

Scores of guardsmen searched all night throughout this section for the missing flyer, but the darkness hindered them in their hunt.

Blindfolded, This Driver Will Try Car On Streets

The "Young Houdini" of the "Darktown Re-recit Revue," Hugh Hassell, will drive blindfolded upon the streets of Midland just as the noon whistles begin blowing Tuesday, he announced to a reporter this morning.

Hassell has cotton stuffed into his eyes, and adhesive tape making the front of his face appear like an animated Egyptian mummy. But he can drive "for a that," according to the press reviews he has received in other cities.

Hassell would not say whether he drives by uncanny sense of direction or whether he employs the color vibration sensitiveness.

But he says he can drive through alley and streets better than many of those who have their eyes uncovered.

Anyway, Midland will be on the streets to see the job done.

FEDERALS EXPECT REBEL COLLAPSE

UNDATED—Reports from Mexico City today indicate that the Mexican government expects an early collapse of the rebellion. It declares that nothing but an unconditional surrender will be accepted from rebel leaders.

General Fausto Topete, rebel leader, is said to be hemmed in on two sides by federal armies in Sinaloa. A battle is imminent.

Letter Tells Eleemosynary Duty of City

Midland people have a duty before them, a duty of making their representatives in government understand the need for sufficient appropriation to take care of the eleemosynary institutions of the state, according to a letter addressed to the editor of the Reporter-Telegram and signed R. E. Walthall, chairman of the state board of control.

The letter read: "The 41st legislature will convene in Austin on April 22. It would be a fine thing if the people in Midland and all over Texas would go to the trouble to get in touch with the State Senators and Representatives before they leave home for the purpose of urging them to make sufficient appropriation for the next two years to take care of the eleemosynary institutions of this state and to enlarge them to such an extent as to do away with the customary long waiting lists for admittance into the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, the Feebleminded institutions, the Epileptic Hospital, Orphan Homes, and State Hospitals for the Insane. If members of the legislature realized actual conditions they could not find it in their hearts to deny the actual needs of the suffering unfortunate.

"I don't believe the people of Texas want their representatives to cut and slash the Board of Control's budget for the seventeen eleemosynary institutions, because, as prepared, it is entirely inadequate for actual needs.

"I wish to especially urge church organizations and the good women of Texas to become interested in these wards of the state. The business interests have plenty of influence to take care of them; whereas, the unfortunate must depend solely on the mercy of the citizens of Texas. As a rule, we don't like the word 'lobby.' However, lobbying of this character would result in relieving a great deal of suffering and privation. Say to your representatives that if, in their judgment, the ad valorem tax rate should be kept below the 35c maximum, then do the necessary pro-rating in making appropriations for the schools, courts, departments, etc."

More than 50 people from Midland attended the meet, many of them hearing Mrs. Schumann-Heink in the city auditorium Friday night. They also inspected the \$350,000 county courthouse, the \$200,000 municipal hall and auditorium, and the \$250,000 junior college. The junior college is supported by local taxation, the assessed valuations in San Angelo being approximately \$23,000,000, and the local tax for maintenance of schools being about \$220,000. While San Angelo is rapidly taking on the atmosphere of a city, the Midland delegation proposes to have Midland made a district center for next year, and entertain 300 or 400 contestants here at the meet.

MEXICO WOMAN DIES

Senora Michael Sanchez, 22, died late yesterday afternoon at her home in Mexican town. Her funeral will be held this afternoon at the Catholic church. She is survived by her husband and a 20-day-old infant.

"NOTHING TO ANNOUNCE YET"

Thirty-five Here To Enter Competitive Bidding

Competitive bidding on contracts for Hotel Scharbauer were opened today in the directors room of the First National Bank, with more than thirty-five contractors present.

Bidding ranged from \$213,854 to \$175,180, according to Harry L. Haight, secretary of the Scharbauer Cattle Company.

Figures furnished by Mr. Haight and Wyatt C. Hedrick, architect, show the following bids:

Table with 2 columns: Contractor Name and Bid Amount. Includes Reid and Costley (\$157,000), C. S. Lambie & Co. (\$137,450), Hickey & Harrington (\$153,400), R. F. Ball Construction Co. (\$138,000), Clem Anderson Construction Co. (\$129,950), Ware-Ramey Co. (\$137,667), The Brennan Co. (\$138,000), Robert E. McKee (\$136,800), D. N. Leaverton (\$133,877), Allen F. Marshall (\$123,177), H. W. Underhill Const. Co. (\$128,674), J. O. Everett Co. (\$125,725).

Plumbing and Heating

Table with 2 columns: Contractor Name and Bid Amount. Includes Young and Pratt (\$6,481), A. J. Koriath (\$7,000), Schmidt Plumbing Co. (\$4,150), Beach Plumbing and Heating Company (\$42,000), S. P. Osborn (\$38,480), H. W. Underhill (\$38,998), Vickers P. & H. Company (\$37,450).

Electricians

Table with 2 columns: Contractor Name and Bid Amount. Includes Sun Electric company (\$8,830), Ashe Electric company (\$9,450), Black Electric company (\$12,704), Superior Electric company (\$11,724), Dallas Electric company (\$9,200), Broome Electric company (\$9,369), A-C Electric company (\$11,485), Electric Construction Co. (\$8,760), Payne Electric company (\$9,295).

"There is nothing to announce," Mr. Hedrick stated in answer to questions of a reporter.

Successful bidders will probably be announced tomorrow, however, it was said.

Contract Let For Construction of African Church

Contract has been let for the building of a small church for the African Methodists here. H. Y. Tyler, pastor, said this morning. Construction begins immediately.

The building will be located near the Sneed hotel in the southeast section of the city.

"The African Methodist church now has a membership of 15," the minister said, "and we plan to grow fast when the building is completed."

The minister stated thanks to the Presbyterian church for a freewill offering made his church Sunday night, when a combined program was given in the latter church by members of the two congregations.

LONGWORTH IS RE-ELECTED AS HOUSE SPEAKER

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(AP)—Representative Longworth of Ohio, was re-elected speaker of the house of representatives today by a vote of 259 to 143 over Representative Garner of Texas.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(UP)—President Hoover has decided to follow the example of Calvin Coolidge and send his messages to congress by messenger, instead of reading them himself.

Shortly after noon Tuesday a messenger will deliver copies of the message to the house and senate and clerks will read it. Five minutes after the reading begins, Frederick William Wile, newspaper correspondent, will read the message over the air.

NEWS BRIEFS

LIONS MEET HERE WEDNESDAY

District meeting of Lions Clubs from towns as far east as Snyder and west as Pecos will be held here Wednesday. Approximately ten clubs will be represented here.

The program will start at the noon hour in the Crystal room of Hotel Scharbauer.

LOCKHEED PLANE LANDS HERE

W. L. Marrs piloting a Lockheed-Vega, Wasp motor plane, landed at Sloan field this afternoon enroute from Tucson, Arizona to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

TO DELIVER FIRST ADDRESS

The first address of the El Paso Presbyterial, which meets here this week for three days, will be delivered by Dr. T. W. Currie, president of the Southwestern Theological Seminary at Austin Tuesday evening. Midland people are invited to attend these lectures especially every morning at 11 o'clock and at the evening hour.

OIL MAN FLIES

Dave Smith, member of the aeronautical division of the W. T. C. C., and well-known oil man of the Midland area, flies back and forth to his engagements. Smith has just received delivery of a new Curtiss-Robin, Challenger powered monoplane.

CHAMBER MEETS

Two meetings are to be held tonight at the Chamber of Commerce, the aeronautical committee being called by Kenneth E. Ambrose, chairman, to gather at 7:30, the regular directors at 8:00.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:



It's a wild bird's own fault if he misses his calling.



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PRIDE IN THE LIBRARY

The citizens of Midland and of Midland County are proud of the new library that opened last Wednesday. It has already been shown that people of all ages are interested in it, and that speaks well for the citizenship here.

Those county officials who were instrumental in "reviving" the old library are to be complimented for looking for providing the boys and into the finer things of life; girls of this community, as well as the adults, with a place where they can go and be directed judiciously in their reading matter.

Miss Emily Smith, the new librarian, is to be complimented for her selection of new books, and for her ideas as to how the library should be conducted.

A STORY OF OUR TIMES

By Bruce Catton

In a run-down suburban allotment on the outskirts of a big mid-western manufacturing city there stands a vacant house, windowless and forlorn, uninhabited for years.

One day recently neighbors saw the form of a man moving about inside the old house. They called the police, who went to the place and found, unconscious on the floor, a very old man, dressed in clothes that were no more than rags, wasted almost to a shadow.

"Loren Peters starved to death in this old house. Had a bottle of chloroform and razor. Didn't know which to use. It takes so long to starve to death. It is getting dark. I can't write any more.

But the old chap hadn't starved to death—not quite. They took him to a police station, poured some hot coffee down his throat, and put him to bed. After a while he woke up. They let him rest for a few days and then sent him to a place called the Wayfarers Lodge—a frame building where homeless men can get soup and a bed for a few days.

Loren Peters, of course, was too feeble to saw any wood. So they gave him a bunk and a daily supply of food anyhow, and let him sit around the place all day, basking in the sunshine when the weather was pleasant, and huddling indoors when it was stormy.

His story was quickly told. He had no home. He had wandered into town on a vague hunt for some form of subsistence. Failing to find it, he had crawled into the old house to die. Death had not come fast enough. For eight days the old man had covered on the bare floor, cold and miserable and hungry. He did not get out of the house in that time.

There are all kinds of interesting stories in our daily papers. Some of them are unimportant, easily forgotten; and some of them are sharp and vivid, and stay in the mind long after the paper has been thrown away.

What does a story like this mean, anyway? How does it come that things like that can happen in this prosperous, civilized America of 1929? And what, if anything, are we going to do about it?

There isn't, really, much that we can do right away. That homeless old wanderer was more than an individual. He was a symbol; a symbol of all the loose ends there are in our current society.

The trouble, you see, is that we still believe, with Cain, that we are not our brothers' keepers. Until we learn that that belief is eternally false, there will continue to be stories like this one of Loren Peters.

SUBWAYS AND HIGH TAXES

The city of Detroit, in a special election, has rejected a \$91,000,000 subway proposal by a huge majority.

Like other fast-growing, populous cities, Detroit is crippled by a lack of adequate transit facilities. Some form of rapid transit is needed, and needed badly. Yet the voters turned down the plan to build an extensive subway system. Beyond doubt it was the fear that the cost would boost taxes too high that made them look with disfavor on it.

Thus Detroit exemplifies the dilemma of the modern city. Much money must be spent on transportation; yet city expenses are now woefully high. What is a harrassed city to do?

WOMAN KEEPS THE BOB

For a great many years one of mankind's favorite jokes has been the fondness of woman for changing styles.

However, it is beginning to look as if this joke might be a wee bit overdrawn. When women find a style that really suits them they are quite capable of hanging on to it with a great deal of tenacity.

For the last three or four years the spokesmen of the hairdressers have raised their voices, every now and then, to announce that the bob was doomed. Long hair, they kept saying, was about to return. Soon the bobbed-hair maiden would be as rare as in pre-war days.

And what has happened? Nothing whatever. The bob is precisely as popular as it was four years ago. Women have discovered that it is both comfortable and becoming and all the shouts of the hairdressers have not moved them. The old quip about woman's changeableness may need revising.

SOCIETY

Couple Married Here Yesterday

The marriage ceremony of Miss Floy Hewatt to Mr. William Leonard Perry was held yesterday afternoon at the Red Star camp. Rev. Stanley Haver read the ring ceremony in the presence of the bride's parents.

Young Women's Meet Postponed

The regular meeting of the Young Women's Auxiliary of the Baptist Church has been postponed from tonight until a later date. The meeting was called off because of the lecture to be given tonight for young women by Mrs. Jenie Sharples at the Christian Church.

Mrs. Stewart Honors Queen of Club With Pretty Spring Party

Mrs. W. H. Stewart, assisted by Mrs. Frank Wendt, honored members and guests of the Queen of Club society with bridge at her home Saturday afternoon.

Guests were greeted by the hostesses, who were costumed in frocks of green, yellow and orchid.

Tables were marked with gay tallies, score books and covers in the favored colors. Floral decorations also gave emphasis to the spring colors.

Score packages went to Mesdames S. H. Casteel, J. D. Chambers and L. O. Hayes. Mrs. Casteel received a framed picture for members' high score; Mrs. Chambers, a luncheon set of floral designs for guest high score, and Mrs. L. O. Hayes, a kitchen apron, for low score.

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McCaslands Leave For State Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. McCasland left Sunday morning for Sherman where they will attend the Baptist State Sunday School convention. Mr. McCasland, educational director of the First Baptist church here, will represent the local church at the assembly.

The convention will last three days, starting Tuesday and continuing through Thursday. More than 4,000 delegates from the state and southern states are expected.

PERSONALS

Mrs. R. W. Wallace of Mineral Wells is in Midland looking after her property here.

Lester White, district manager of the Acorn Stores, is in Midland from Big Spring today.

C. T. Mayo is in El Paso visiting his mother who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cox and family.

GRAND THEATRE

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SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday

Edelweiss Club at the home of Miss Thelma White at 2:30.

1912 Bridge Club with Mrs. Spence Jewell as hostess at 3:00.

Boiler Boosters' Club meet in the sales room of Scruggs Buick company for business meeting at 7:30.

Pioneer Bridge Club at the home of Mrs. Marshall Brown at 3:00.

Young Matrons Club at the home of Mrs. O. B. Holt, Jr., at 8:30.

J. O. Y. Class officers meeting and Glee Club practice at 7:30.

Mrs. W. P. Knight will entertain Mayfair Club at her home at 3:00.

Wednesday

Kongenial Kard Klub at the home of Mrs. Victor Smith at 3:30.

Mothers' Cluture Club at the home of Mrs. J. O. Nobles at 3:30.

Music Study Club of the Watson School of Music at 4:00.

Thursday

Bridge games at the Country club house for members at 8:15.

Rainbow Bridge Club at the home of Mrs. B. G. Graf at 3:00.

Members of the Loyal Bazaar Class of the Christian Church will be honored with a social at the home of Mrs. J. P. Howe with co-hostesses, Mesdames H. H. Meeks, C. N. Nobles and Miss Elma Graves, at 8:00.

Priscilla Needle Club at the home of Mrs. G. E. Green at 3:00.

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SENSATIONAL BLINDFOLD DRIVE TUESDAY NOON

Hugh Hassell, the young "Houdini" of the "Darktown Revue" which opens a two-day engagement at the Ritz Theatre Tuesday of this week, will make a sensational blindfold drive through the streets of Midland promptly at 12:00 o'clock on Tuesday.

Hassell will start from in front of the Ritz Theatre and drive through the streets of the city completely blindfolded and with his eyes stuffed with cotton, and covered with adhesive tape. His head completely swathed in bandages.

"The Darktown Revue" has enjoyed sensational business all over West Texas, and the consensus of opinion of critics is that it is the classiest entertainment of the season.

Helena Strakova, formerly of the Chicago Civic Opera Company is the featured dancer, and she is assisted by her baller of dancing girls who execute every known form of dancing. Both the classical and modern dances have a place on the program.

Joe M. Estes, and his ever laughable "Darktown Recruit" sketch, forms the main comedy article, but Wallis Brennan, the master of ceremonies, meanders throughout the performance spreading his inimitable humor throughout the performance. Milton Beck, a whirlwind tap dancer, scores at every performance with a sensational acrobatic buck dance.

The show is replete with comedy, beauty, singing and dancing as well as mystic novelty, as offered by Hugh Hassell.

The performance is in ten scenes, and special scenery, costumes and electrical effects are used throughout.

partment of her Frigidaire without materially affecting the temperature in the food storage section. With it, the time heretofore required for the freezing of deserts, salads and ice cubes is materially shortened and the required degree of cold can be obtained in a comparatively short time.

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W. C. T. U. to Be Organized Here

At a meeting Saturday afternoon in Hotel Scharbauer's crystal room, Mrs. Jennie Miller Sharples, national secretary for the National Purity League, spoke to seventy women on "Woman's Responsibility."

At the conclusion of the service, it was decided to organize a Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Midland.

A large bouquet was given Mrs. Sharples in token of the esteem in which she is held here.

Negroes Appreciate Free Will Offering Of Presbyterians

The African Methodist Episcopal church wishes to thank the Presbyterian church for the offering taken up Sunday night, the offering to be used in the building of our church, H. Y. Tyler, pastor.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for a Supreme Court of nine members, and for continuous session of that Court.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 2 and 3 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Article 5, Section 2. Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, any five of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of five shall be necessary to a decision of a case; in other matters, until otherwise provided by Law, the jurisdiction of the Court shall be exercised under such regulations and orders as the Court by a majority vote may prescribe. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Associate Justice of the Supreme Court unless he be, at the time of his election, a citizen of the United States and of this State and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years, and shall have been a practicing lawyer or a judge of a court, or such lawyer and judge together at least seven years. Said Chief Justice and Associate Justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State at a general election, shall hold their offices six years, or until their successors are elected and qualified, and shall receive such compensation as may be provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for State officers, and at such general election the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The Judges of the Supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their term of office under

the present Constitution, and until their successors are elected and qualified. When this amendment take effect, the Governor shall immediately appoint six additional Associate Justices of the Supreme Court for terms of office so that the terms of two of such appointed Associate Justices shall expire with the term of office of each of the present members of the Supreme Court, and, upon the qualification of such new Justices, the Commission of Appeals of the State of Texas shall terminate."

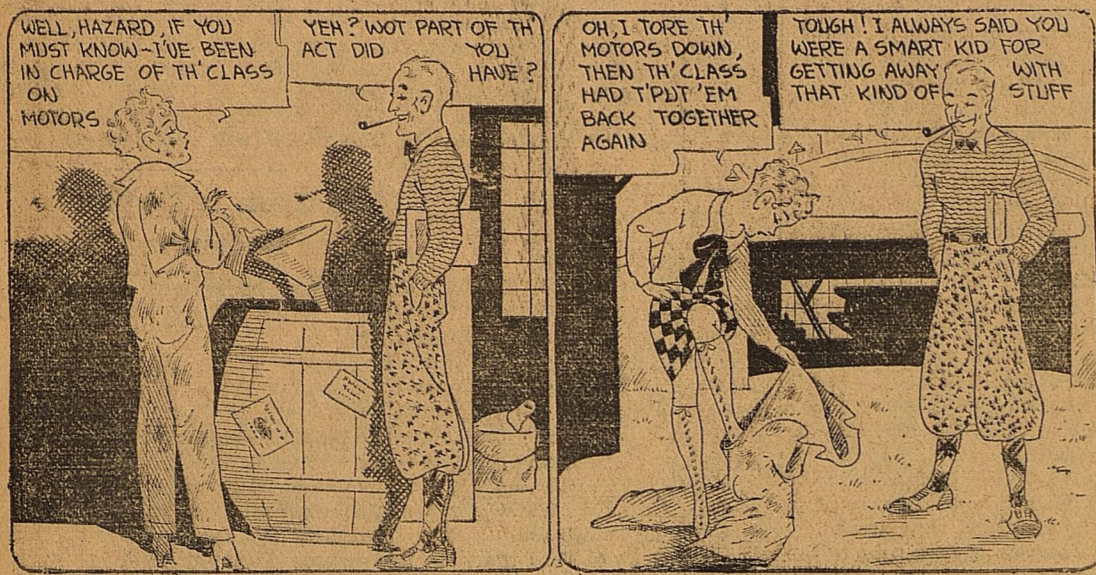
"Article V, Section 3. The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only except as herein specified, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to questions of law arising in cases of which the Courts of Civil Appeal have appellate jurisdiction under such restrictions and regulations as the Legislature may prescribe. Until otherwise provided by law, the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court shall extend to questions of law arising in the cases in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which the Judges of any Court of Civil Appeals may disagree or where the several Courts of Civil Appeals may hold differently on the same question of law, or where a Statute of the State is held void, and shall extend to such other questions as may be within the Court's Appellate Jurisdiction under the Statutes of the State in force when this amendment takes effect. The Supreme Court and the Justices thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus, as may be prescribed by Law, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by Law, the said Court and the Justices thereof may issue the writs of mandamus, procedendo, certiorari and such other writs, as may be necessary to enforce its jurisdiction. The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the Supreme Court to issue writs of quo warrants and mandamus in such cases as may be specified, except as against the Governor of the State.

The Supreme Court shall have power, upon affidavit or otherwise as by the Court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall sit at open at all times and shall sit at the State Capitol for the transaction of business at such times as may be designated by the Court.

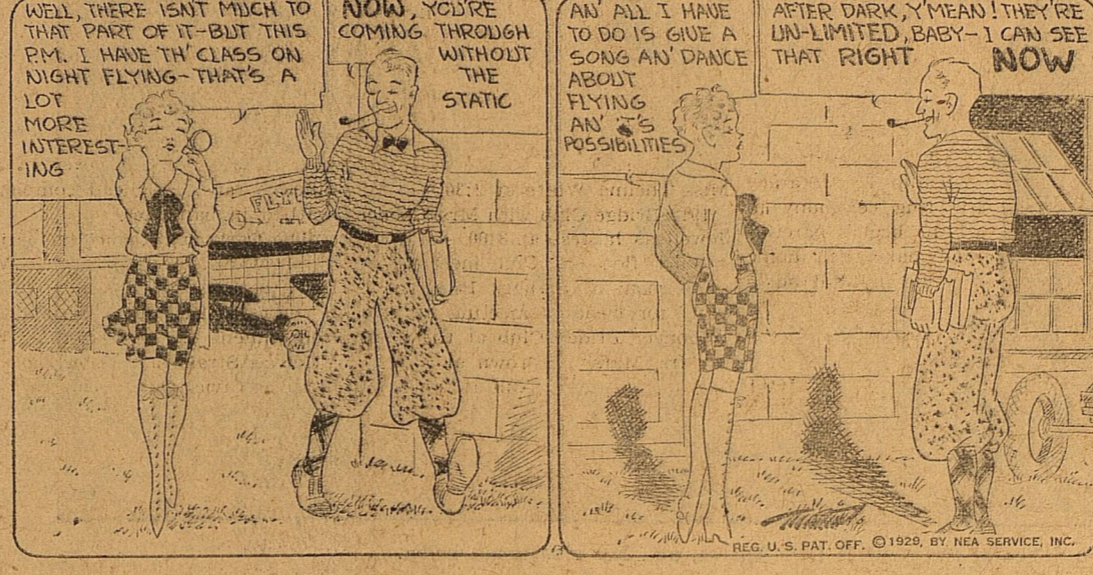


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## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

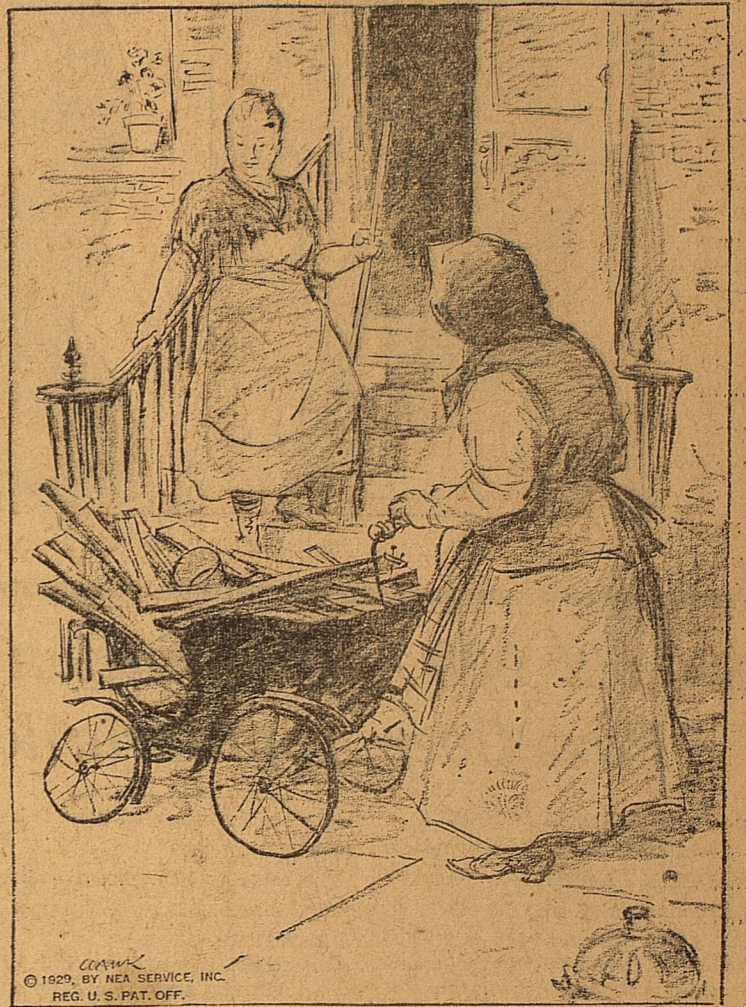


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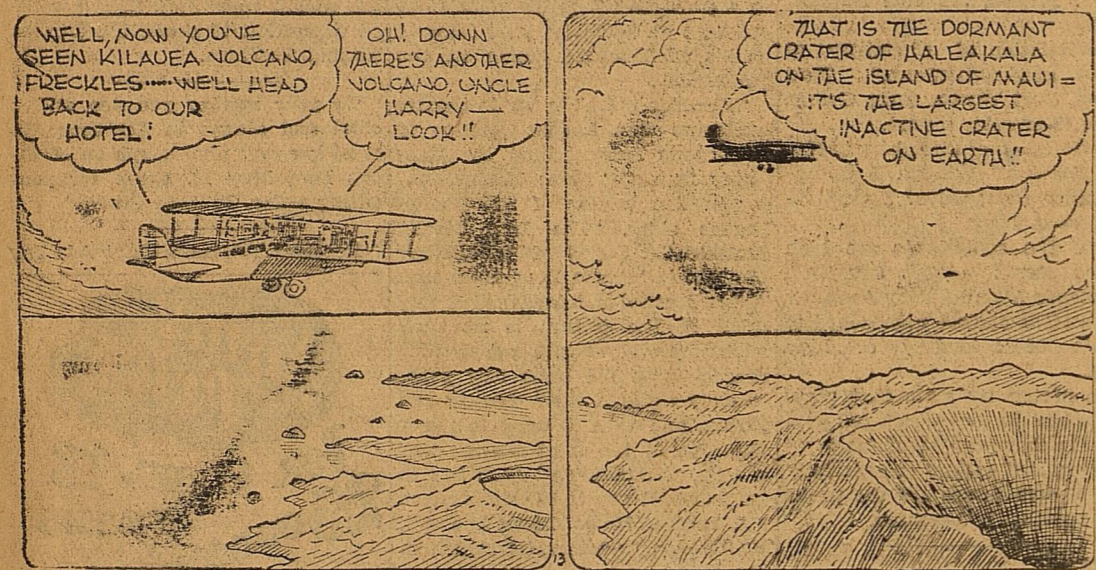
## SIDE GLANCES

By George Clark



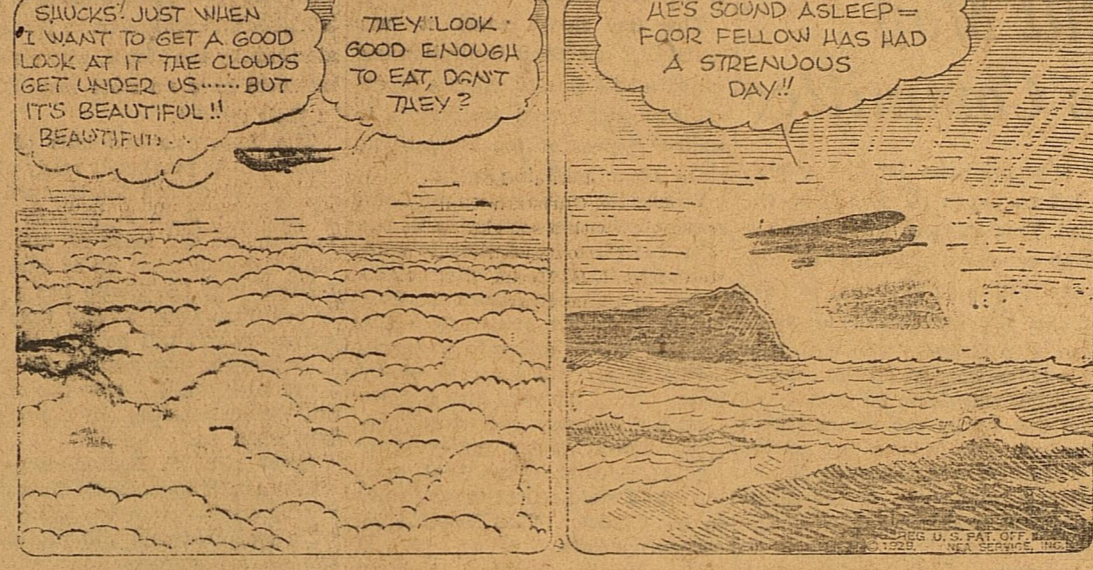
"Three of the finest men in town I brought up in this buggy, and it's still good enough to bring in my cook wood."

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

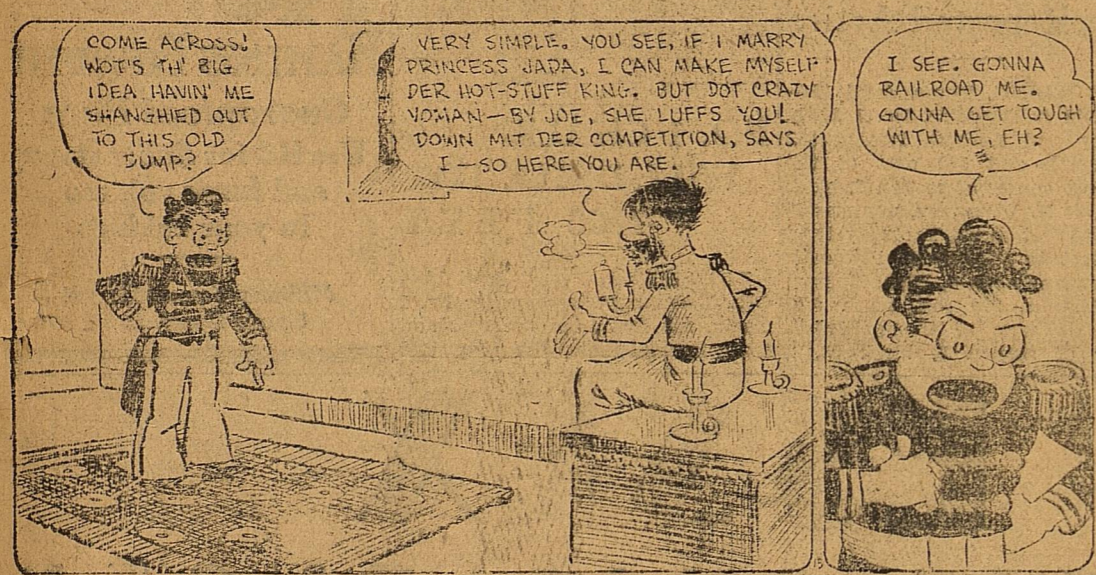


## A Big Day

By Blosser

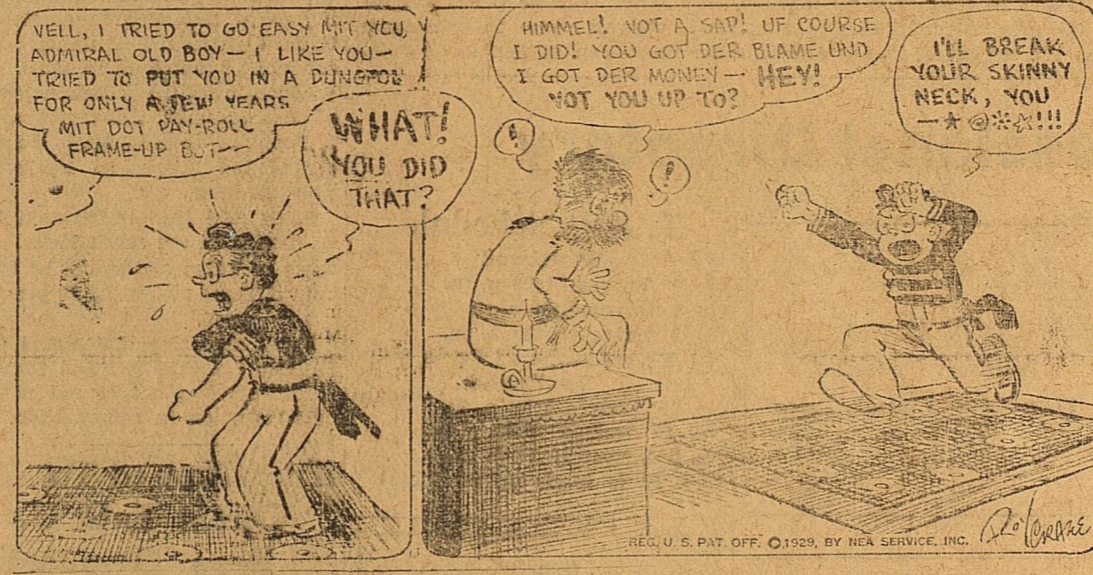


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## Trouble Ahead

By Crane

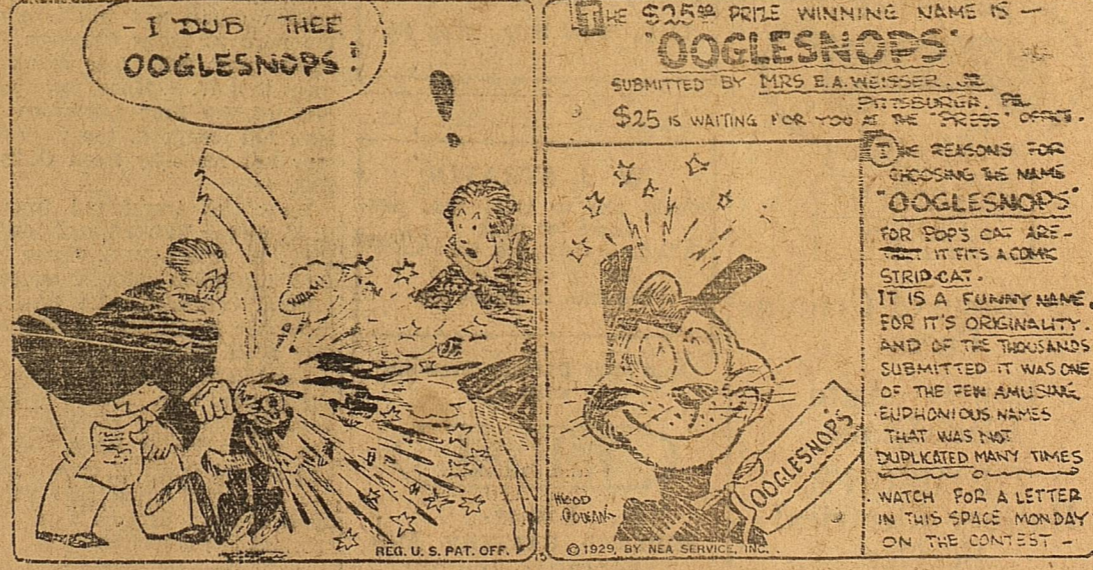


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## The Christening

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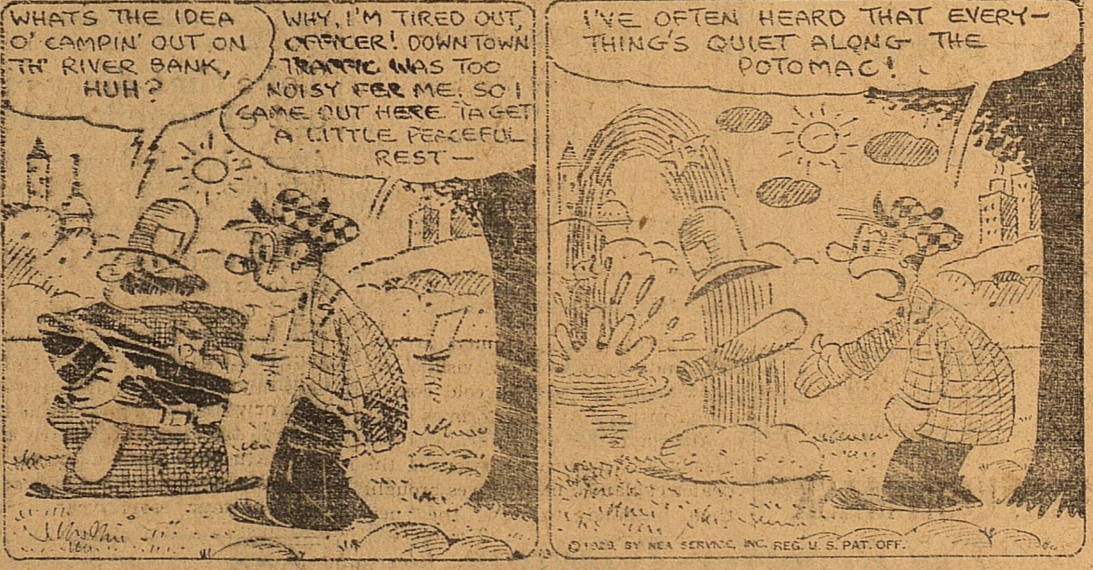


## SALESMAN SAM



## Sam Banked on That

By Small



## Better Sentiment In Industry Thru Oil Curtailment

AUSTIN, Texas, April 15.—Better sentiment was developed in the petroleum industry during the past month as a result of the agreement among the larger producers to curtail output to the 1928 production, according to Bernard Nichols, editor of the Texas Business Review, issued monthly by the Bureau of Busi-

ness Research at the University of Texas. "The curtailment program includes production, not only in the United States but also in all other important producing countries," Mr. Nichols said. "So far, the plan looks rather promising. Moreover, spring expansion in gasoline consumption is under way and and fuel oil markets look a little brighter than they did in February. "Despite the fact that Texas producers are joining in the curtailment plan, output in the

State in March made a new high record. During the month, 25,079,000 barrels were gathered in Texas, compared to 21,452,000 barrels in March 1928. This brings the total output for the quarter to 70,886,000 barrels against 60,477,000 barrels in the first three months of the year. Daily average flow increased from 789,000 barrels in February to 809,000 barrels in March. Last year in March daily flow averaged 694,000 barrels. While Texas output has not declined as much as was hoped for, the curtail-

ment plan is likely to be in operation in the near future. "Field work was a little less active. There were 528 wells completed in March, compared to 556 in February and 680 in March last year. Only 287 of the new wells were producers, whereas 403 were successful in March a year ago. In the first quarter a total of 1,708 wells was drilled in Texas, of which 939 were producers. This compares with 1,850 completions in the first quarter last year, 985 striking oil. A further decline in field work would be a desirable feature. "Crude prices recorded very few

and small changes during the month. Ample oil is available for present needs, and storage stocks are large so that price advances are likely to be rather small for some months. Gasoline prices averaged somewhat higher. After the rate war on the Pacific Coast was settled the market displayed considerable stability. Prices for tank-wagon gasoline are expected to advance over the next few months. "Burt Glaiser, formerly with the Philadelphia Nationals, will lead the team with Oscar Graham, hard-hitting infielder as captain. A complete organization of the club has been effected.

## Alpine Secures Big Leaguer to Lead Ball Club

ALPINE, Texas, April 15.—(AP)—Under the leadership of a veteran ex-big leaguer and with some excellent material lined up, Alpine is assured of a good baseball club this year.

## Jubilee Carnival At Ft. Stockton April 17-18-19

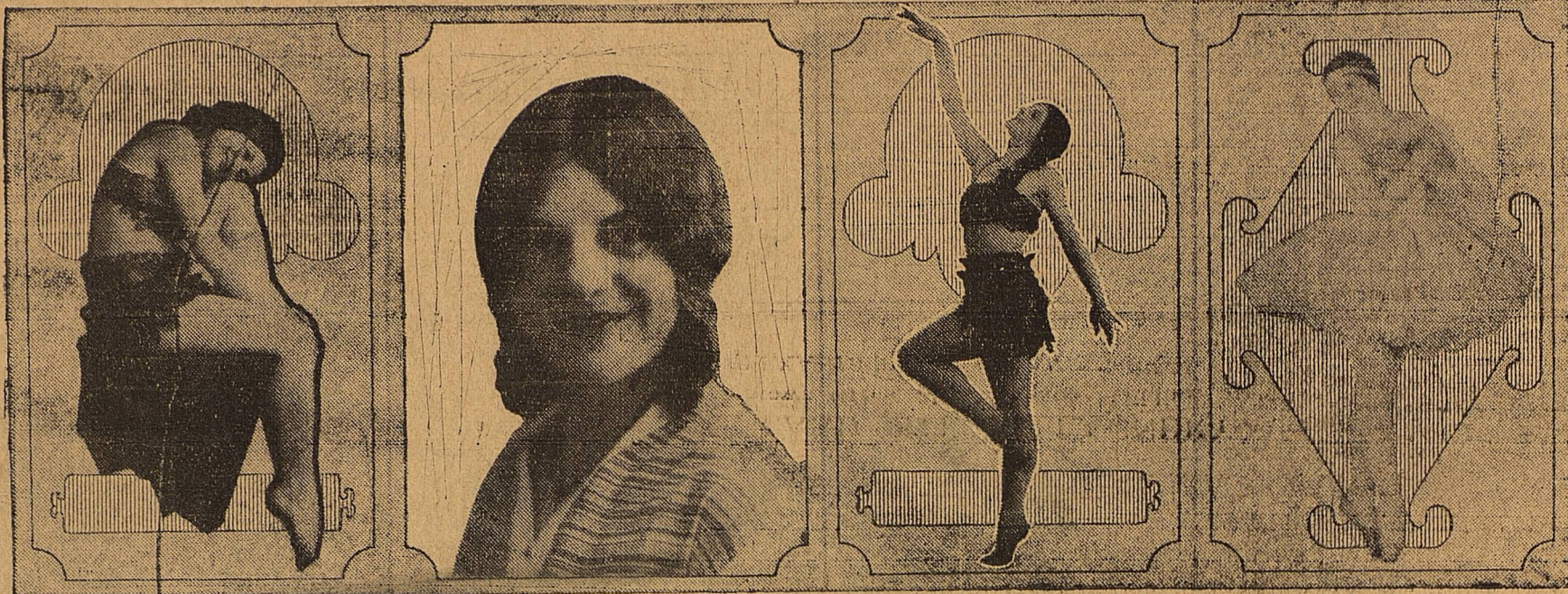
FORT STOCKTON, Texas, April 15.—(AP)—This little city established as a fort on the long trail from Jacksonville to California, in the days when Comanche Indians used springs here as watering places is to celebrate. Bespeaking the spirit of progress, which has animated the entire citizenship and permitted its citizens to build a city in just a few years, the Lions club and the Chamber of Commerce, jointly, are sponsoring a Jubilee Carnival to be held for three days—April 17, 18 and 19,

and their neighbors in West Texas to be their guests. Coming as a special commemoration of the completion of \$200,000 paving contract, and a number of other projects, the carnival is to be a session of merriment from the moment of its inception until its close. Dancing, banquets, baseball, swimming contests, diversions of a dozen different kinds are to fill the three days.

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AT THE RITZ - TUESDAY - VAUDEVILLE



"STRAKOVA," the celebrated Danseuse, last of the Chicago Civic Opera, and her sensational ballet.

\$50,000,000 Appropriation Bill May Pass Over Appropriations Committee

By GORDON K. SHEARER (United Press Staff Correspondent) AUSTIN, April 15.—A \$50,000,000 appropriation bill may be passed by the special session of the 41st legislature, but it will be over the protest of the appropriations committee. They have set the limit of \$45,000,000.

In the rush of a session there is less opportunity. The scrutiny has proven embarrassing to some of the state supported institutions. One school, it was discovered, has been taking its state scholastic apportionment for all the children in the institution and at the same time getting full appropriation for all of its teachers.

for appropriations for the schools to list as pupils all who have enrolled. This includes those who are taking extension work. In the case of one institution it is said to have included the enrollment of many home town students who were taking only one or more special courses. Another surprising bit of information dug up by the committee as representatives of the tax payers is that there is a collegiate organization, "Union," one of the members call it, that keeps track of the various colleges.

it was ascertained. This was shown when it was found that one Texas institution had raised all its former salaries to exact equivalent paid instructors in similar courses at the highest-paid state educational institution. Besides these discoveries the House appropriations committee in its sessions here has found time to study the appropriations of other states, and is prepared to answer the usual charge from the House floor that Texas is behind others in standards. The House will have to be the watch dog of the state treasury. Not that the Senators individually oppose economy. But a survey of the lists of Senator shows that every one has a state school or institution in his district. This hampers his economy efforts.

tract. The reasonable result to expect is higher appropriations by the Senate than by the House, where many members have no state institutions in their district. The Appropriations bills of the House will be practically ready when the special session meets April 22. Chairman John F. Wallace says, however, he will make no effort to have the bill taken up at once. He believes that the House has power to act upon them at any time but agrees that it will be best to take up legislation submitted by the Governor first, and get that out of the way before tackling the appropriation bills. Speaker W. S. Barron, who was stricken with appendicitis during the regular session of the legislature, has fully recovered and will preside at the special session.

Essay Contest Winners Named By Society

HOUSTON, Tex., April 15.—(AP)—Texas winners in the annual Essay contest conducted by the American Chemical Society were announced today by Harry B. Weiser, state chairman and professor of chemistry at Rice Institute. "Texas contestants, who numbered about 125, were given a choice of six subjects. The winning essay on each topic has been entered in the national contest.

The first and second place winners and their subjects are as follows: "The Relation of Chemistry to Health and Disease," Charles Ely Lankford, Cisco, first; Richard Escontrias, El Paso, second.

"The Relation of Chemistry to the Enrichment of Life," Frances Seaver, Edinburg, first; Gertrude McConnell, second.

"The Relation of Chemistry to the Home," Manuel Gottlieb, Corsicana, first; Dora McQuay, Elsa, second.

"The Relation of Chemistry to the Development of an Industry of Resource of the United States," Bryce L. Crawford, Jr., El Paso, first; Sanford W. French, Jr., San Antonio, second.

"The Relation of Chemistry to Forestry and Agriculture," Fred Garland, Fort Worth, first; George Haddad, Navasota, second.

"The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense," William L. Campbell, Dallas, first; Oliver York, Galveston, second.

All of the contestants are high school students except Campbell, who attends Allen Military Academy at Bryan. The contest was opened to students of secondary or high schools.

Each of the six state first place winners will be awarded a \$20 gold piece. Six four-year scholarships at any recognized college or university in the United States are the prizes in the national competition.

Drilling In Howard County Reported Active

BIG SPRING, Texas, April 15.—Cranfield & Reynolds, No. 1 Kloh, Rumsey and Abrams, located 353 feet north and 150 west of the southeast corner of section 3, block 29, W. & N. W. survey, was standing 1,600 feet in old Thursday from 2,204 feet to 2,280 feet. Plymouth Oil company's No. 2, Kloh, Rumsey and Abrams, 990 feet south and 1,650 feet west of the northwest corner of section 5, block 32, 2

south, was drilling at 950 feet. This is an offset well to the Howard County Oil corporation well, Plymouth No. 3, Kloh, Rumsey and Abrams, section No. 3, 990 feet east and 1,650 feet south of northwest corner of section 5, block 32, 2 south, drilling below 300 feet. Merland Group 1 Oil corporation Settles' No. 7, located 330 feet from the west line and 330 feet of the north line of section 13, block 29, W. & N. W. survey, struck the pay around 2,184 feet, drilled to 2,202 feet with oil rising in the hole 1,000 feet. After deepening to 2,223 feet, 181 barrels of oil were swabbed in seven hours. Later, oil rose in the hole until 361 barrels were swabbed at same depth, on a 12-hour test.

FAIRBANKS' LATEST IS A THRILLER

Patrons of the Grand Theatre were treated to the thrill of hearing the voice of Douglas Fairbanks for the first time in 17 years. Theatrical-ly, when "The Iron Mask" opened at that play house yesterday. It was in 1914 that Doug forsook the speaking stage for the screen, signing with D. W. Griffith for a three year contract. He has made many successful pictures since that time. He is always awaited with admiration from one release to another. But in this new release he opens the story in a prologue where his voice rings out with as much fire and rapidity as his unchallenged action in the pantomime.

"The Iron Mask" by age to theatre audiences that famous group of Musketeers immortalized by Alexander Dumas' "Three Musketeers," for in this version of the famous Dumas story, "The Iron Mask," becomes the sequel of "The Three Musketeers." Again Doug rides with Athos, Porthos and Aramis. The very spirit of the picture is romance, adventure and valor. These dashing characters of old blaze new paths to glory through their courage and daring, and with it bring to movie fans one of the most stirring and artistic entertainments that has so far found its way to the silver sheet.

A special Metro Movietone act, "Confession," a dramatic sketch of the world war, supports the new Fairbanks picture. This Movietone act is in two reels, and its dramatic investiture, which revolves around the confessions of a dying soldier, is one of tremendous effect. The program runs today and tomorrow.

NO. 1 CHALK WILL DRILL TO 1700 FEET

BIG SPRING, Texas, April 15.—Oils Chalk made location for No. 1 Chalk, 200 feet from the east and south lines of the southeast quarter

of the northwest quarter of section 124, block 29, W. & N. W. survey, and is now rigging up cable tools preparatory to drilling to 1,700 feet. Simms Oil company made location for its No. 1 Ellwood in Mitchell county, 660 feet from the north and west lines of the east half of section 33, block 18, S. P. R. R. Ry. company survey. Comet Oil company's No. 3, H. R. Clay will be given a 40-quart shot of nitroglycerine from 1,804 to 1,234 feet, the well is located in section 154, block 29, W. & N. W. survey. The well is now producing 40 bar-

Washam is Baylor's New Freshman Grid, Basketball Coach

WACO, Texas, April 15.—Washam of Waco has been selected as assistant freshman football and basketball coach for 1929-30 at Baylor University this spring. He played the quarterback position on the Bear football team in a creditable manner. On the basketball court Washam displayed dazzling speed and fine ability in handling the sphere. The freshman coaching staff was left vacant when Jack Sisco accepted a position to coach the Denton Normal Teachers.

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Knox Named To Direct T. C. U. Boys Gymnastics

FORT WORTH, April 13.—A full time head of the boys' physical education department will take over the reins at Texas Christian University next fall. The announcement that W. S. Knox, former student of the Frog institution, will have full charge of the work next year was made by Dean Colby D. Hall.

Knox was transferred from T. C. U. to the University of Iowa in 1923. He took a B. S. degree from that institution with a major in physical education. He has been instructor in athletics at the Iowa City High school.

Heretofore, physical education classes have been handled by members of the Frog coaching staff. The acquisition of Knox, who has had several years of experience in the field, will bring that department of the school on a par with the best in the section.

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