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FIRE DESTROYS BRECK TELEPHONE OFFICE

REFINERY WILL REOPEN AFTER REPAIR WORK

Overhauling of Plant Started This Morning After Conference Here.

Workmen this morning began the task of repairing the Rust Spur plant of the bankrupt Ranger Refining & Pipe Line company. This action followed a meeting yesterday of D. W. Girard, and R. A. Stewart, who are the Texas receivers for the bankrupt concern, and W. H. Fouke, local superintendent.

As quickly as repairs can be made the plant will either be leased or put into operation by the receivers.

The Tiffin plant of the concern was leased last week to the Hagaman Refining corporation and will be in operation within a few days.

MRS. S. E. RATLIFF PIONEER HERE BURIED TODAY

The body of Mrs. S. E. Ratliff, 77 years old, was buried today in the Macedonia cemetery, in the Caddo valley. She died Saturday at the home of a daughter in Haskell. Three sons and four daughters survive. Of the number only one, Jack Ratliff has his home in Ranger.

The services were preached by the Rev. W. H. Johnson. Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Milford company. Mrs. Ratliff was buried beside her husband in the little churchyard in the valley where they worshipped for many years while assisting to pioneer the Ranger country. Mr. Ratliff has been dead about five years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff came to Ranger thirty years ago. They settled in the Caddo valley and began the task of wresting a living from the soil and rearing a family. Later in life they moved to town and their sons entered the mercantile business in the building at the southwest corner of Main and Rusk streets.

Among the old timers both Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff were well known as good neighbors and friends ready and anxious to help in time of stress, and were God fearing, as are so many of those men and women who have led the way to a civilization. S. W. Bobo this morning perhaps spoke the sentiment of all those remaining of the little band who came to Ranger with the railroad. "Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff were what was known as 'good folk' in our day," he said. Mr. Bobo lived on the adjoining farm to the Ratliff family for years.

POTATO FLOUR HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR FOUR DEATHS AT LAREDO

LAREDO, Texas, Aug. 15.—Bread made from potato flour is believed to have been responsible for the death of four persons here yesterday.

Mrs. F. Garcia and three of her children are dead and a fourth is seriously ill. Other persons who ate the bread are recovering. A dog, given a piece of the bread, also died. Samples of the bread have been sent to San Antonio for analysis.

MANY SECTIONS GET RELIEF FROM DROUTH

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 15.—A drouth of from three to six weeks' duration was broken by rains in many parts of the state yesterday and last night. Although no rain had fallen in Dallas, the sky was threatening, and relief from the heat wave which started with the last rain here, on July 11, was promised.

Rain was reported during the past twenty-four hours at Abilene, Tyler, Canadian and Denison.

SHORT ON LIEUTENANTS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The War department has 1,000 commissions for second lieutenants and only 126 applicants. The examinations for appointment are fixed for Aug. 22 and applications must be in by Aug. 13. The department instructed corps area commanders today to do all they can to increase the number of applications.

KING NEAR DEATH

United Press. WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—King Peter, of Serbia, is near death, according to a cable to the legation here today.

SENATE VOTES TODAY ON PROBE OF OIL "TRUST"

AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—The senate committee on internal improvements was instructed by the senate this morning to report out at 3 p. m. today the house concurrent resolution providing for a legislative probe of charges that large oil companies of the mid-continent field were forcing down the price of crude oil and its refined products in an effort to force small companies out of business.

The committee has had several hearings on the resolution and had postponed further action until Tuesday which would have killed the matter. The resolution to report out was made by Murphy of Harris county.

ATTENTION, MR. PRYOR.

AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—The senate bill providing a method for removal of members of the state prison commission by trial and for their suspension during trial was passed by the house finally today. The vote was 108 to 6. The bill now goes to the governor.

REDISTRICTING BILL DEFEATED IN HOUSE

AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—Following a debate lasting nearly an hour, the house today refused to adopt the conference report on the senatorial redistricting bill. The vote was 69 to 52. The senate had adopted the report with four dissenting votes.

Walter Jones of Val Verde, speaking against the report warned that if the present bill becomes a law "you will send at least three Republicans to the senate. One of these, he said, would come from the San Antonio district. He did not name the other districts.

HOUSE COMMITTEE GIVES WAY ON EDUCATION BILL

By United Press. AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—The senate conferees on the educational appropriations bill have delivered their final ultimatum to the house conferees.

The ultimatum was delivered shortly after 10 o'clock this morning, and the senate members retired while the house committee pondered the latest proposal. Unless the house accepts, an extra session is believed inevitable.

The senate proposition is that all State university and A. & M. salaries in excess of \$2,400 per annum be reduced 20 per cent on the excess above that amount. Those salaries below are to be left untouched. The house members countered by proposing to strike out \$2,400 and insert \$2,250. The senate committee flatly turned the proposal down.

The majority of the house conferees had agreed in the senate conferees compromise on the educational appropriation bill shortly afternoon and the report of the committee was expected to be made to the legislature this afternoon.

"SILK PURSE FROM SOW'S EAR" MANUFACTURED BY SCIENTISTS TO CONFOUND PHILOSOPHY

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Aug. 15.—A silk purse made from sows' ears, will be shown at the chemistry exposition in New York during the week of Sept. 12.

In announcing the successful result of experiments, Arthur D. Little, Inc., chemists and engineers, of the city, said the silk was not very strong and that there was no present industrial value in the process involved. It was more or less the product of chemistry at play, but a contribution also to philosophy in proving the fallacy of the old proverb.

Scientists as Teachers. In reciting the factors that entered into the transition of sows' ears from Chicago stockyards to a silk purse such as a woman might carry, the chemists explained that the first step was to analyze the silkworm's method of making silk. This done, its caterpillar chemistry was copied in the laboratory. It was found that man had to provide a substitute for a process by

MAN BADLY CUT IN AUTO SMASH ON CADDO ROAD

Failure of Driver to Turn Out Held Responsible for Accident.

Two automobiles, a Buick and a Mitchell, had a head-on collision last night on the Caddo road, and one of the occupants of the Mitchell, L. C. Quicksilver, was badly cut on the left arm.

A Mr. McGarvey of Olden, is said to have been driving the Buick and failed to give any part of the road, according to witnesses of the accident.

Nine Endangered.

The Mitchell contained six people, none of whom, other than Quicksilver, were injured. The Buick contained three persons, none of whom were hurt besides a few bruises.

The front of the Mitchell was badly bent and torn and its engine put out of commission. The Buick was carrying a bumper and escaped much damage.

W. H. Fouke, who was just behind the Mitchell, declared if the Mitchell had not been hit its one chance to have avoided an accident would have been to take to the ditch. Quicksilver was brought to the Clinical hospital, where a bad cut, caused by flying glass, was given medical attention.

WILL ANNOUNCE PLATFORM LATER SAYS J. M. WHITE

With the appointment of Sanford Dean as a member of the prison board it is expected he will resign as finance commissioner of Ranger, though he has not taken this action as yet. However, with the matter a practical certainty, J. M. White has announced himself as a candidate to succeed Mr. Dean.

Mr. White, one of Ranger's leading merchants, has been here for three years. He has been identified with many moves of a civic nature and is a worker in religious affairs. He is one of the members of Ranger's Glee club which has furnished much entertainment without cost at social and civic functions. He also is one of the workers who helped put the public library back into use.

Mr. White said this morning he would announce later the things for which he stands in city government.

NINETY-TWO-YEAR-OLD PRESIDES AT ANNUAL MEETING OF QUAKERS

RICHMOND, Ind., Aug. 15.—Social reform work in which American Quakers have taken a prominent part was reviewed here today at a centennial celebration of the Indians Yearly Meeting of Friends, the largest body of Quakers in the world.

Ninety-two years old Timothy Nicholson, the "grand old man" of the Quakers, presided. For nearly seventy years he has been active in prison reform, and he has been president of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League since its organization.

Starnes to Bell Check Found in Eastland, Declared Hoax by Both, Latest in Highway Squabble

Special to the Times. EASTLAND, Aug. 15.—A check for \$450 was found on the street here Saturday afternoon made payable to Tom Bell and signed by C. R. Starnes. A notation on the check read that it was "for road matters."

Both Bell and Starnes denied any knowledge of the existence of the check and Starnes has offered a reward of \$50 for the person who wrote the check.

It was found by a messenger boy and delivered to Judge Starnes.

Tom Bell is one of the leaders who brought on the road investigation and it is said his and Starnes' personal relations are strained.

CHURCH MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR VICE CONDITIONS, IS CHARGE

Their Buildings Used for Saloons and Houses of Prostitution, Rev. J. W. McKinney Tells Congregation; Pays Respects to City Officials; Spotlight to Shine Tuesday.

Lack of Gospel preaching, spineless preachers and weakened church members are greatly responsible for the vice condition of Ranger, according to a statement made last night from the pulpit by the Rev. J. W. McKinney, who preached on vice. Prostitution, gambling and the illicit sale of liquor abound in the city, he declared, and some preachers had never lifted their voices against it because they were too busily engaged in the business of making money either for themselves or for their churches. Men who profess to be church members he also declared were so closely allied with this condition that they were deliberately helping it along. "An examination of the tax rolls," he said, "will show that a part of the saloons and houses of prostitution are owned by men high in the churches, and those men by their very examples are adding to the condition."

Only one time did the minister approach personalities.

Made No Promises.

"When we elected our mayor," he declared, "he made us no promises and he has broken none, because we haven't any." From that point he passed on to the police commissioner and declared he should swap jobs with the sanitary commissioner, because things certainly "needed cleaning up." He commended the street commissioner very highly in his recent action of bolting a commission meeting when the question of a chief of police came. "He was standing up for the right of the people," McKinney said.

The minister asked his congregation to come to the mass meeting which is to be held Tuesday night at the Christian tabernacle and to bring all their friends. "At that time," he said, "the light of publicity is going to be allowed to shine," and as a warning he added: "If you have friends who cannot stand in the light of publicity you had better warn them to leave town."

IRISH PEOPLE WILL VOTE ON PEACE TERMS

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The Irish electorate probably will be asked to vote on acceptance or rejection of the British government's peace terms, according to the press association today. The referendum will be ordered by the Dail Eireann, which meets tomorrow.

SINN FEIN MEETS.

DUBLIN, Aug. 15.—The Sinn Fein parliament held a private session here today with "President" de Valera presiding.

The meeting was called suddenly, and without publicity. The public meeting will be held tomorrow, as scheduled.

NO AMNESTY YET.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Members of the Sinn Fein parliament, who have been released to discuss British peace terms, may have to return to prison, Premier Lloyd George told the house of commons today.

The Sinn Fein prisoners were released solely to pass on the peace proposals, the premier said.

"No prisoners in Ireland has been granted amnesty," he said.

CHINESE FILM IS PRODUCED.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 15.—A Chinese film company, financed by a Chinese merchant here, and having a business and acting staff composed almost exclusively of Chinese, with a Chinese leading woman, has joined the ranks of the producing concerns here.

The director is an American, however, and there is a lone American actor in the cast. The picture will be titled in English and in Chinese, for use here and in China.

WEATHER.

Tonight and Tuesday partly cloudy, probably showers in the Panhandle.

RECESS SATURDAY

United Press. WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—A senate recess of thirty days, beginning August 20th and ending Sept. 19th, is provided in a resolution introduced today by Senator Lodge, Republican leader. Lodge said he would call up the resolution tomorrow.

SIX KILLED IN PHILADELPHIA REFINERY FIRE

Damage Will Reach Million; Started Sunday, Renewed Today.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 15.—A fire at the Atlantic Refining company plant, which began early Sunday, broke out anew today when another oil tank exploded. Three alarms for additional fire apparatus were sent in. The new explosion spread the flames over the burned area again. The death list was increased to six when Elbi Zell died in St. Agnes hospital. Damage from the renewal of the blaze will probably increase the total loss to well over the million-dollar mark.

CHARITY CLUB ASKS HELP IN FINDING NEEDY

Ranger Steam Laundry.....\$5.00

The women who are distributing the Milk and Ice fund say they are finding a wall of reserve around many families, where aid which they can render is really needed. The women have asked that if any one knows where such help can be applied, if they will leave the names with the Times help will be forthcoming. It is one of the aims of the Charity club to reach those who would not be reached through the ordinary relief associations. They know there are such cases in Ranger and they wish to extend help.

'JELLY BEAN' TRIAL CROWD SWAMPS COURT

DALLAS, Aug. 15.—More than 300 persons were refused admittance to the corporation court here this morning when the case of Gus King, Center college football star, and his brother, Joe, charged with resisting an officer, obstructing the sidewalk and abusive language, was called for trial.

The two young men, members of a prominent family here, were among eight who were arrested last Monday night on a downtown street corner following an attack on a policeman when he ordered them to "move on."

The King brothers were freed of the charges of obstructing the sidewalk, abusive language and resisting an officer, as a result of the trial.

SENATE CONFIRMS DEAN'S APPOINTMENT

AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—The senate in executive session today confirmed Governor Neff's nomination of Sanford Jones Dean of Ranger to be finance commissioner of the state prison commission. Dean fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. H. Rand of Sulphur Springs.

The senate also confirmed other recent appointments made by the governor.

DEADLOCK IN RUSSIAN RELIEF NEGOTIATIONS

RIGA, Aug. 15.—A deadlock was reached today in negotiations for American relief of Russian famine sufferers, between the American relief administration and Maxim Litvinoff, the soviet representative. Action by Washington and Moscow may be necessary to decide the issue, it is declared.

JOHNSON STORE ALSO RAVAGED IN EARLY BLAZE

Loss \$150,000, Half Insured; Firemen Stop Spread; L. D. Service Restored.

BRECKENRIDGE, Aug. 15.—This city is without local telephone service as the result of a fire early this morning which destroyed Johnson Brothers' dry goods store on Court avenue and Walker street and the Southwestern Telephone exchange, on the second floor of the same building. The damage is estimated at \$150,000. Defective wiring is believed by Fire Chief Smalley to have caused the fire.

Smalley battled the flames with five lines of hose, manned by volunteer workers, the city being without paid men with the exception of the chief. Water service was of the best and the new fire apparatus furnished good service.

Fire Held In.

The Johnson company was housed in a new stone building in the center of a block on Walker street and the sturdy fire wall on the east prevented the spread of the fire in that direction. The efforts of the fire fighters prevented the fire from leaping across an alley and spreading up Williams street. Two telephone operators were asleep in the telephone office above the store but escaped when the flames started.

Damage to the Johnson store is \$90,000 with \$50,000 insurance. Judge John Walls lost his law office and library, valued at \$5,000, with \$3,000 insurance. Emergency wires fitted to an old switchboard at the Miller hotel has given the city five outside lines, but local service is unresumed.

I. C. C. SUGGESTS VOLUNTARY CUT IN CATTLE RATES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—A voluntary reduction to 80 per cent of present rates was suggested by the interstate commerce commission this morning at its hearing on application of shippers for reduced livestock rates in western and Mountain Pacific territory. The suggested rates may be published to become effective on not less than five days' notice, the commission said.

The commission, however, refused to set new rates, holding those now in effect "not to be unjust and unreasonable."

Business and financial conditions in the states served by the Tenth Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City are deplorable due to the high cost of production and distribution of agricultural products and the prevailing low prices. A. E. Ramsey, chairman of the Kansas City Reserve bank told the commission during the hearings on grain and hay rates.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The interstate commerce commission today refused to authorize a general reduction in rates on livestock in carload lots throughout the western states, as proposed by the National Livestock Shippers league and groups of cattle raisers, in a complaint against the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company. The commission held that the present rates are not "unjust and unreasonable," despite an increase of 25 per cent in 1918 and a second increase made in 1920, ranging from 25 to 33 1-3 per cent.

In rejecting the proposals of the stock raisers, the commission also rejected a similar one put before it by the utility commissions of several western states that high railroad rates on cattle were responsible in a large part for the general business depression throughout the West. The commission, however, suggested a basis for readjustment of the rates.

The commission suggested that the carrier and shippers get together and agree on rate readjustment, giving instances where this can be put into effect without injuring the carriers. Commissioner Campbell dissented from the opinion.

APPROPRIATION ASKED FOR DISARMAMENT MEET

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—President Harding today asked congress for \$200,000 to defray the expenses of the disarmament conference.

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"HEADS UP."

The soothing salve of optimism is beginning to appear in oil circles. Oil in storage is decreasing, it is said. Pipe lines are now in more than a receptive mood for the fluid, whereas a few months ago they declined with regrets whenever possible. Trains again begin to carry crude to small refineries off the pipe line routes.

These conditions are substantial bases for optimism. They indicate that King Oil is not dead, but rather is recovering from the "flu."

Perhaps the worst is over and the oil fields will never again know the period of depression it has endured for the last several months. Indeed that is probable even if oil should remain at its present level, and predictions of a rise in price should not come true. Undoubtedly, some good has come from the experience. Many firms have learned the practice of increased production from old wells, with but little additional cost.

These things are consolations. The lesson, like all those learned while sitting at the feet of experience, have cost money, but eventually, they should earn great returns, for oil companies have more nearly approached 100 per cent production efficiency.

In proof of this, it is to be noted that pipe line reports for the immediate Ranger pool show but little variation from week to week, in spite of the fact that few new wells have been drilled in the last year. This is an indication of permanence that should go far toward stabilizing values.

Senator Borah can think of no other way to cut Government expenses than to reduce the army and stop naval construction. But any pacifist could think of that. From Senators the country expects statesmanship.—Kansas City Times.

When lightning struck the Mayflower the President kept on preparing his next speech without a quiver, and yet there are members of congress who think they can jar him with a speech.—Detroit Free Press.

Some day the men who run the American people's multitudinous Governments will be crisply notified by the long-suffering public that paying taxes is not the people's favorite indoor sport.—Chicago News.

The dirigible ZR 2, built in England for the United States navy, will sail on August 25. Its date of arrival will be announced when it gets here.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

Chief of a Kentucky bootlegging ring is said to be a millionaire. No doubt of it if he has been busy.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

TOURING MADE EASY.

By Associated Press.
CAIRO, Aug. 15.—Breakfast in Cairo and dinner in Bagdad on the same day have been made possible through opening of the new Egypt-India aerial route across the Syrian and Arabian deserts. Sir Geoffrey Salmond, air vice-marshal, recently flew from Cairo to Bagdad in twelve hours via the desert airway, establishing a record.

CUTTING OF OIL FIELD WASTE TO SAVE MILLIONS

Engineers Making Survey of Oklahoma and Kansas Methods.

By Associated Press.
LAWRENCE, Kan., Aug. 15.—Millions of barrels of oil may be saved annually in the mid-continent field alone through the elimination of wasteful practices, as the result of a survey of the Kansas and Oklahoma oil industry now under way by a committee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

P. F. Walker, dean of the school of engineering at the University of Kansas here, is chairman of this committee. Hollis Porter, of the Gypsy Oil company, and Philip Jones of Shreveport, La., are the other members of the committee, which is working in co-operation with J. P. Fisher and J. P. Stillwell of the research department of the Empire Oil company, Bartlesville, Okla.

Methods for reducing the amount of good oil and gas burned in the process of refining, for example, are being worked out. Two or three million barrels could be saved each year in this process, according to Dean Walker.

Electrical methods for the recovery of much oil which is otherwise allowed to run to waste because it is mixed with water and other foreign substances, are already saving annually from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 barrels in the United States as a whole, he said. On one lease alone the operator reported more than \$40,000 worth of gasoline reclaimed in one year by the introduction of a plan to prevent evaporation from open tanks. Failure to use these methods is declared to be causing much loss, both in gasoline and money.

Other research along similar lines is being carried on in the laboratories of the University of Kansas under Dean Walker's direction. Investigation of the thermal properties of oil for the purpose of making it possible to design refining stills just as scientifically as a water boiler is designed, instead of by guess-work, is one of the most important of these problems.

Another investigation of value to the oil industry of Kansas, which is being carried on at Kansas University is the determination of the laws governing the flow of oil through pipes of various sizes. Arrangements have been made with various companies for a test of the results found in the laboratories by the use of sections of pipe lines actually in operation.

MRS. OBENCHAIN SAYS SILENCE SHIELDS FRIENDS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 15.—"I could make a statement right now on Belton's death that would result in my release."

This was the startling assertion of Madalynne Obenchain, jointly indicted with Arthur C. Burch for first degree murder in the mysterious killing of her fiancé, John Belton Kennedy.

Mrs. Obenchain made her assertion to a group of newspaper men here late Thursday.

"Why do you not make the statement now?" she was asked.

"I must protect someone in whose innocence I have implicit faith," she replied. "My statement, given now, might take an unfair advantage. I will bide my time."

"Is Arthur Burch the 'someone' you say you are protecting?"

"I can not tell you," she said.

"Don't you think it would be best if you did, for all concerned?"

Burch Still Sphynxlike.

"Mr. Burch is not talking of his affairs," the girl said wearily. "Why should I?"

Burch for his part, continued his Sphynxlike silence.

"I've nothing to say," he answered, even to the most trivial questions.

Determined to get to the core of Madalynne's relationship with Burch and learn the intimate details of the history of their friendship at Northwestern college, District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine today prepared to send two special investigators East.

They are to center their efforts on the college town of Evanston, Ill., although it was intimated that the trail might lead to Chicago and other points.

Will Force Her Hand.

The district attorney's office was admittedly determined to "force Madalynne's hand, inasmuch as she today intimated that she holds the key to the situation, every agency of the law will be bent to an effort to learn what facts, presumably having to do with Burch, she is withholding.

The stock of a shotgun, which officials believe is from the weapon used by the slayer of Kennedy, was found in the surf at Santa Monica bay by William Wylie, a contractor. He picked it up, he said, a short distance from the pier where deep sea divers in the employ of District Attorney Woolwine were searching for the gun. It is believed that the slayer of Kennedy threw his gun into the bay.

The longest oil pipe in the United States runs from Texas to New Jersey, a distance of approximately 1,300 miles.

MOST BEAUTIFUL BLONDE AND BRUNETTE IN ALL ENGLAND



Miss Winifred Randall, a fair-haired, blue-eyed beauty, and Miss Margot Greville, a black-haired, brown-eyed maiden, who have been selected by a party of judges as the most beautiful blonde and brunette in all of England. The selection was made from among one thousand of the prettiest young women of the British Isles.

MANY TOUGH BIRDS OF A. E. F. MARKING TIME IN FROG JAIL HOUSES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Secretary of War Weeks said he knew nothing of the report that a large number of former American soldiers are now serving terms in French prisons and are being subjected to rigorous treatment. He said so long as the men are not now soldiers there was nothing he could do in the premises in any event and expressed the opinion that Americans convicted of violations of French laws probably are being treated about the same as French citizens imprisoned for similar offenses.

The matter has not been brought formally to the attention of the state department. A letter was received from H. Cleveland Cox, formerly American vice consul at Paris and a resident of the French capital, calling attention to what he called the pitiful plight of ex-doughboys who are serving terms in French prisons. This letter was forwarded to the American embassy at Paris with a view to having the matter looked into.

It is doubtful if any steps will be taken by the United States government to bring about the release of these men unless it is shown they are being discriminated against in French prisons. The war department long ago was advised of the presence of 250 or more former soldiers in French prisons, many of them convicted of robbery, and some of murder.

For the most part they are said to be the real bad men of the A. E. F., not a few of whom deserted from the American army and entered upon a life of crime in the French capital. A favorite pastime of some of the men was to hold up French women who kept small wine shops about the time they closed for the night, tap them gently on the head with a lead pipe and walk off with the swag.

On one occasion before the armistice a pitched battle occurred in the streets of Paris between American deserters and French police, during which 200 shots were fired, resulting in the death of eight French police and several Americans.

Women now hold 31.06 per cent of the stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad company. The average holdings are 47 shares.

SPECIAL TUESDAY

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SCHOOL GIRL HELPS POLICE CAPTURE 'WOLF' IN MOVIE-MAN CLOTHES

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 15.—Viola Goodrick, fifteen-year-old high school junior, professional "Big Sister" to the unhappy and the unfortunate, received an opportunity to play the Good Samaritan.

A man called Viola by telephone at her home.

"I am Dr. Lane," he said. "I am going to produce a motion picture. I would like for you to take the part of a nurse."

The man told Viola that officials at General hospital had recommended her to him because of her volunteer work there. He said his studio was near Sixty-third street and South Benton, and asked her to meet him there.

Viola's mother called the hospital. No one there had heard of "Dr. Lane."

"I became suspicious then," said Viola in telling of it. "At first I thought I wouldn't go, but I got to thinking that perhaps this had man was calling up innocent girls all over town. Lots of girls wouldn't suspect anything, you know. I knew I ought to do something."

The detective department asked Viola to help catch the designer. She consented to go to the house, with the understanding that two detectives were to follow her.

"Just step inside," a man's voice from within the house directed.

Viola obeyed. A man struck her and pushed her forward to the floor. "If you scream I'll kill you," he threatened.

Miss Goodrick screamed and the detectives rushed into the house, but the "promoter" escaped.

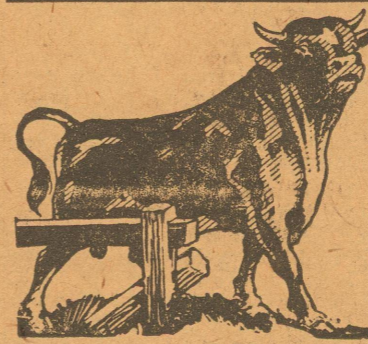
JOHN TURNS OUT TO BE JOANNA AND NOW "HIS" SWEETIE MOURNS

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Mary Haldowanetz, 23, an attractive waitress here, after two years, discovered her sweetheart, "Jack Brown," 21, is a girl.

She appealed to authorities Tuesday to arrest "Jack," otherwise Caroline Schmick of Kingston, N. Y. They met in Monticello, where "Jack" was working as a farm hand, and Mary as a waitress.

Tired of delays of their marriage date, Mary recently went to "Jack's" home at Monticello and "his" mother confessed that "Jack" is a girl, and the reason for the masquerade was to provide a living for the mother and six other children.

ST. LOUIS KIDS REVEL IN STREET SHOWER BATHS
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 15.—Shower baths have been installed on streets in congested districts here to create healthful and cheap entertainment for children during the summer months. The baths are under supervision of the city recreation department.



GENUINE
"BULL"
DURHAM
tobacco makes 50 good cigarettes for 10c

GERMAN CAPITAL IS LUCRATIVE FIELD FOR ARMY OF "CON" ARTISTS

BERLIN, Aug. 15.—The business of making a living by playing upon the credulity and ignorance of the people, which has developed into a skillful and lucrative profession in Germany during the past two years, now is practiced by thousands of men and women, the majority of whom are living luxuriously in Berlin, recent investigations have disclosed.

The investigations grew out of the unusual number of "mysterious advertisements" which have been appearing in virtually all the provincial newspapers and showed that graphologists, hypnotists, astrologers and "the apostles of personal magnetism" were reaping by financial rewards.

There are 500 persons in Berlin engaged in the occupation of interpreting the stars, at a few marks per head and they are reported very busy. Their clients are drawn from the poorer classes, many of whom cannot afford to buy sufficient food for themselves and dependents and have turned to the fortune-tellers in an effort to learn if the future holds out any hope for them.

More than 1,000 persons are making a living here by interpretation of hand-writing, claiming to be able

to read character and forecast the future. Many of them are said to be uneducated and hardly able to read any kind of writing. Their customers are chiefly women and girls.

The "doctors" of hypnotism and "magnetism" recruit their patrons from all classes of society, a large percentage being the rich and the idle who are seeking entertainment, or simply are experimenting. It is asserted that among the students of "hypnotism" there are also many questionable characters, working under the impression that a knowledge of the occult will help them in picking pockets or robbing rich householders.

A number of charlatans have infringed on old American patents and, after advertising that they have the secret of making a million marks in a few minutes—a secret they will sell for from five to fifty marks—and having received the five or the fifty marks they send back the curt formula: "Make it as we do."

All of the patrons of the Berlin professional fortune tellers or "strengtheners of will-power" are not natives, for it has been ascertained that some of the "professors" enjoy a wide reputation and have recruited customers from the wealthy, but "weak" or wanting, of Denmark, Austria, Hungary and Poland.

One-quart thermos bottle, \$5.00; 1-pint thermos bottle, \$2.50; Wright Furniture Company, corner Pine and Rusk sts.—Advertisement.

We wish to announce the results of our popularity contest which closed Saturday, Aug. 13, which was won by Mrs. L. S. Baker, 512 Alice street. The final standing of the highest four contestants were as follows:

Mrs. L. S. Baker	563
Mrs. E. Foote	306
Mrs. E. J. Weiss	294
Mrs. Frank Champion	125

We wish to thank our customers for their support and interest in the contest. Total amount of votes cast and accounted for was 3,722. Winner will please call at earliest convenience and receive this handsome bedroom set.

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Are you stubbing your toe? Are you overlooking any bags of gold? How about the advertising in this paper? Do you read it—consistently? It is a bag of gold to many of our readers.

In our columns you will find the advertisements of alert progressive merchants and manufacturers who seek to tell you something they think you ought to know. This advertising is news about the very things that interest you most—articles that will save you money, lessen your work, or add materially to your comfort and well being.

Thrifty men and women read advertising. To them it is a plain, every day business proposition—a duty they owe themselves and their purses. It tells them where they can buy exactly what they want at a price they can afford to pay.

Advertising pays them. They make it pay.

It will pay you, too. Read it!

PROGRAM

TEMPLE—Wallace Reid in "Too Much Speed," with Agnes Ayres and Theodore Roberts.
 MANHATTAN—Edith Taliaferro in "Keep to the Right," and comedy.
 LIBERTY—Frank Mayo in "Hitchin' Posts," also "The Invisible Ray," and Mutt and Jeff comedy.

MANHATTAN.

The hearts of all America-loving citizens have swelled with pride at the inspiring growth of the movement towards Americanization of our foreign born. The impressive feature of this patriotic cause is not the quantity of enthusiastic applicants for enlistment in the citizenship of this free land but in the quality of these recruits to America's standard. It is the poor and the oppressed, rather than the well-to-do immigrant, who rushes anxiously to the naturalization bureau to enroll as an American son. The reason for this is powerfully portrayed in the splendid five-reel photodrama "Keep to the Right," with the wholesome Edith Taliaferro in the leading role. The scenes of persecution and massacre that are the cause of the foreigner's love of this freedom-loving country are depicted in faithful detail and leave the spectator with a glow of pride as he realizes the contrast between this and the Old World. Showing last time today at Manhattan theatre.

TEMPLE.

Wallace Reid is back again in another snappy, virile, automobile racing, romantic comedy-drama picture of the kind that made him popular in "The Roaring Road" and "Excuse My Dust." This newest picture adapted from the story by Byron Morgan is "Too Much Speed," the feature attraction at the Temple theatre today and Tuesday.

Breeze Wallie is supported by a cast that is practically all-star, pretty Agnes Ayres, who has recently been elevated to stardom by Paramount, appears as leading lady, grand old Theodore Roberts has a delightful role and Jack Richardson, Lucien Littlefield and Guy Oliver are in the support.

The story is all about Dusty Rhoades, lover of the saucer track and the open road, who has driven many a racer to victory, who when he falls in love with Virginia McMurrin can not win the consent of her father until he swears off racing. This he does, reluctantly, but he couldn't stay quit despite his good intentions and the telling of it brings many a laugh, with Theodore Roberts scoring heavily in the comedy role.

VALLIANT STOCK SOLD TO J. M. WILSON; WILL MOVE TO MASONIC BLDG.

The bankrupt stock of Valliant's Book Store was sold Saturday night to J. M. Wilson, who will move it to the Masonic building and add a line of second-hand furniture.
 Mr. Wilson was in the second-hand furniture business here during the boom and afterwards. He sold his interest and went to California last summer but returned to Ranger a few days ago.

ROOMMATE TOOK ROLL, COMPLAINT CHARGES

Charging that he stole twelve \$20 bills from him, W. W. Vaughn this morning filed a complaint in the court of Justice of the Peace Fenlaw against A. J. Fleming. Fleming and Vaughn are said to have been roommates and lived near Tiffin. Vaughn carried his money in his pockets, officers say, because he was afraid of banks.

It is alleged that some time during the night of July 9 Fleming stole the money and a pocketbook from Vaughn. He was arrested Saturday night by Deputy Sheriff John Barnes and Barry Nalls.

WRONG WINK GOT CHECK, THEFT CHARGE ALLEGES

A warrant charging theft in connection with a check for \$150, which he indorsed and his wife attempted to deposit, has been filed against W. H. Winks. The check came to the offices of a local torpedo company from the government and was made in favor of James Winks. It is said the man for whom the warrant has been issued picked it up, stating it was his property. Officers say he then endorsed it in the name of James Winks, gave it to his wife with the statement James Winks was the name he bore during the war and told her to deposit it in the bank.
 When she attempted to do so the bank refused to take the check because it is personally acquainted with James Winks. His wife is being held as a witness, under an appearance bond. Officers expect to have Winks in custody today. The check was in payment of government compensation.

DELEGATES AT HOUSTON FOR CREDIT MEN'S MEET HOUSTON, Texas, Aug. 15.—One hundred and fifty delegates to the national convention of the Retail Credit Men's association, which convenes here Tuesday, had arrived today. Most of the early comers are representatives from eastern cities, New York and Boston leading the list.

FAMINE AND PLAGUE IN RUSSIA ARE MOST TERRIBLE IN HISTORY

Fighting for Food Adds to Horrors Which Overwhelm Refugees Who Flee From Devastation Into Desolation; Parched Grass and Sun-dried Carcasses Compose Diet.

By International News Service

BERLIN, Aug. 15.—Stories are reaching Berlin hourly of the great tragedy which has fallen on Russia. Some of these seem too ghastly for belief. Yet the many parts of the country from which they come and the same terrible details of famine, disease and death with which they are crowded indicate that Russia is looming up to the world's stage in greater catastrophe than ever before.

The mighty nation of 140,000,000 is writhing in the death agonies of cholera, scurvy, hunger and typhus. Plague has rendered the streets of the principal cities like London's high-ways during the terrible visitation of 1665. Politics, personalities and creeds are forgotten momentarily before the scourges. Marxist theories are vanishing into thin air before nature's relentless onslaught. All the efforts of the soviet government are directed toward the formation of committees of succor, many members of which are former bitter political opponents. History has no parallel to the disaster now overtaking the unhappy land.

Great Cracks in Earth.

The drought is taking its toll of victims in the north. The earth in many places shows cracks twenty feet deep. Trees are devoid of leaves, and all wells and streams are dried up. Many villages have been wiped out by fire. Nearly all the cattle have been slaughtered for food, or died for want of water. The population is feasting on rotten, sun-dried carcasses, collapsing immediately after from ptomaine poisoning. Whole towns are emigrating in thousands. Many of these unfortunates will never reach their destination, and hundreds have already perished on the way. Those that are struggling along on their tragic pilgrimage are living on grass, hay, tree bark, and plundering wherever they can.

Autopsies have revealed that the stomachs of the dead contained nothing but parched grass. In many cases the populations of towns and villages come out into lanes to meet the refugees and massacre them for fear that they will plunder their own precious food stores. The cry for bread is ringing from helpless mouths over countless thousands of square miles, and there is none to help. Saratoff is offering in vain ten horses and five head of cattle for each three pounds of flour.

Kneel at Shrines.
 The peasants are kneeling at wayside shrines before effigies of Christ, crying out: "There is no health in us O Lord! Give me bread, O precious Saviour! Ere we perish!"
 The Derevnskaya Biednota, the soviet organ, prints today a list of provinces in which famine and other scourges are killing one person in three. These include Moscow, Petrograd, Archangel, White Russia, Smolensk and the Crimea. There are reports that the soviet government is preparing to transport 1,200,000 peasants into China. It is estimated that 600,000 will never reach the journey's end. One person in every 400 sufferers can be accommodated in the special hospitals which the soviet government has erected at Moscow and Petrograd. Others fall dead in the streets, their bodies contaminating the air, while birds of prey hover ominously above the telegraph wires.

The simplest operations cannot be performed for lack of doctors. Those that are there have no instruments, no anaesthetics, no bandages, no medicines.
 Germany is participating actively in the international measures for the assistance of Russia. Maxim Gorky, with the agreement of the soviet authorities, is coming to Berlin to get in touch with leading physicians and scientists. The Germans are unable to send food but are dispatching with all haste numerous Red Cross units, huge quantities of surgical instruments, especially to the Volga district, where there are 750,000 Germans.

AFTER TURKS' ANGORA

United Press.
 ATHENS, Aug. 15.—With Angora, the Turkish nationalist capital, as their goal, Greek armies have renewed their advance gaining twenty miles in one day. The attack began Saturday after brief artillery fire.

VICTIM OF AUTO WRECK WILL BE BURIED AT BLUM

Accident Not Result of Race, Says J. T. Lander, Who Drove Buick.

The body of L. C. Rutledge, victim of Saturday's auto wreck, was sent last night to Blum, Texas, for burial. It was accompanied by his two brothers and his wife, who came from her home in Merkel. Rutledge, was killed when a wheel of a Dodge roadster in which he was riding with his brother, Newton, and Dick Toomey gave way, causing the car to turn over twice. The machine was traveling about forty miles an hour, but was not racing with a Buick, as reported.
 J. T. Lander was driving the Buick and his statement in substance follows:

"I passed the Dodge, going at a moderate rate of speed. A short time later its driver honked his horn behind me and I moved my machine over to allow him to pass, which he did, but I did not speed up. As soon as the Dodge was by me I saw one of the rear wheels wobbling. The road was very rough and very narrow. In fact, it is too narrow for safety, as the wheels slipped off into the sand. The wheel continued to wobble until the Dodge was probably 100 yards away, when the accident happened."

Mr. Landers stopped his car and assisted in getting Rutledge to the hospital. The accident happened about 6 o'clock and the injured man died at 11 o'clock.

NEW REPUBLIC FORMED.

By Associated Press.
 BELGRADE, Aug. 15.—Magyar and Jugo-Slav elements in southeastern Hungary held a monster meeting at Fankirchen, 100 miles south of Budapest, last night. It is reported here that the province of Baranya, of which Pecs is the capital, has been proclaimed a republic, with the presidency offered to Count Karol II.

RURAL SCHOOL BILL.

AUSTIN, Aug. 15.—The rural aid bill went to free conference this morning.
 The bill as passed by the senate carried appropriations of \$1,000,000 for each of the next two years.
 The house adopted an amendment making the appropriations \$2,000,000 for the first year and \$1,000,000 for the second year. The senate refused to concur.

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WISCONSIN SALOONS CAN'T CATER TO LEFT FOOT LIFTERS

By Associated Press.

MADISON, Wis., Aug. 15.—The saloons of Wisconsin are to be made places fit for children to visit, W. Stanley Smith, prohibition commissioner, declares in announcing his intention to strictly enforce provisions of the new state enforcement measure which calls for cleaning out of former liquor establishments.

Standing bars, as such, are to be done away with under dictum of the prohibition commissioner and the attorney-general. Evidence of a legal battle over this order of the enforcement officer based on the new statute, sprang up shortly after it went into effect.

Will Fight Law.

Saloon-keepers have organized in Sheboygan and Manitowoc counties, and have raised funds to fight the new law to the supreme court before disturbing their ears. Their attitude is not to be taken seriously, in the opinion of Commissioner Smith, who points out that the constitutional right of the state to provide definite regulations in return for a license is well established.

Some sections of the state are complying with the new regulations without objection, saloon-keepers removing all screens and either removing their bars completely or placing them in compliance with the law as interpreted by the attorney-general.

This recent interpretation declares that bars, if maintained, cannot be used, and in addition must be so located as to have the space behind them completely open to view from the street.
 Make Reform Easy.
 "We believe that by opening up saloons in this manner, the temptation to engage in illicit sale of liquor will be completely done away with," Commissioner Smith said. "Saloons are the greatest violators of the prohibition laws, and when properly licensed and opened to public view they will not be in a position to continue their illicit trade without easily being detected."

END OF CAMP FUNSTON.

CAMP FUNSTON, Kan., Aug. 15.—Preparations are being made here for the final act in the passing of Camp Funston on Aug. 16 to 19, when the contentment buildings will be sold at auction. The official announcement of the sales says 800 buildings, eight million feet of lumber and all building equipment—plumbing, furnaces, etc.—will be sold. A number of lump bids, it is understood, are expected.

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TWO WOMEN RECEIVE JAILER NOMINATIONS IN KENTUCKY TOWN

By Associated Press.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 15.—Successful candidates in the primary election in Kentucky included three women.

Mrs. Belle Napier won the Democratic nomination for jailer of Breathitt county over ten men candidates, while Mrs. Ida F. Edgar was the successful candidate on the same ticket for jailer in Woodford county. Her husband, John Edgar, who preceded her in office, was removed by Gov. Morrow after a mob stormed the Woodford county jail, removed a negro prisoner and lynched him.

Mrs. Charlotte O. Woodbury, Democratic candidate for jail commissioner of Jefferson county, also won.

Mrs. John Renner of Mount Vernon, the only woman candidate in the state for sheriff, was defeated for the Republican nomination by the incumbent, D. G. Clark.

Fess Whitaker, former jailer of Letcher county, who was elected county judge last year while serving a sentence for a minor offense in the jail of which he was then custodian, was defeated for renomination.

In Louisville W. Overton Harris won the Democratic nomination for mayor over Allen B. Gwynn.

Houston Quin, judge of the state court of appeals, was unopposed for the Republican nomination.

Under the terms of a bill introduced in the Georgia legislature, a poll tax of \$1 will be imposed on all women in that state.

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UNIDENTIFIED MAN IS KILLED BY HOUSTON AUTO

By United Press.
 HOUSTON, Aug. 15.—An unidentified man was killed here yesterday when he was struck by an automobile. He is said to have been about sixty years old. No marks of identification were found. The auto driver was charged with negligent homicide.

WEST VIRGINIA TOWN AFIRE.

By United Press.
 WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 15.—Sixteen residences and five business houses, including the town telephone exchange, have been destroyed by fire, reported raging today in Richard, Nicholas county. Aid has been sent from other towns.

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