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4 LOSE LIVES IN SWOLLEN STREAM

ABILENE, May 26.—This city is in deep mourning today as the result of the tragic death of the three children of Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Lockett and Miss Billie Rogers, a student in Simmons College, who were drowned in Dead Man's Creek near here last night.

Dr. and Mrs. Lockett, their three children and the young lady friend drove into the swollen stream and their auto stalled. Dr. Lockett had gone for help to get the car out of the stream when a sudden wall of water came down the creek. When he returned the car and occupants had been washed away. Mrs. Lockett was washed down the stream but finally pulled herself to safety. She was seriously injured. The young people all drowned and their bodies were recovered several hours after the tragedy.

The bodies of those who lost their lives were recovered and brought here today. Miss Rogers was 18 years of age and her home was at Albany. The child who lost their lives were the children of Dr. and Mrs. Lockett; Esther, age 15; Basil, age 6; and Ruth, age 4.

Dr. Lockett is one of the most prominent physicians in West Texas. He spent several years as a missionary worker in Africa, locating here after he returned from the foreign field, and had built up a large practice. The family was one of the most prominent in this city, and thousands of friends are grief stricken.

Dr. Lockett was known in Ballinger, and the news of the tragic death of his children was received here early Monday morning in a phone message to Mrs. E. E. King, Mrs. King being a friend of the family. Dr. Lockett visited Ballinger and lectured here shortly after his return from the foreign mission field.

Dr. Lockett was stationed in the African mission field for about fifteen years, being a medical missionary for the Southern Board of the Baptist Church. He lost his first wife while in Africa, and Esther, the eldest child drowned, was the daughter of his first wife. She was with Dr. Lockett when he visited Ballinger and gave an illustrated lecture on Africa at the Baptist church while that congregation was using the Carnegie Library for public worship.

RUNNELS COUNTY MEN RESCUE MRS. LOCKETT

T. A. Gambill, formerly of Runnels county, and J. W. Corum, of Winters, who was visiting in the Gambill family were the first to reach Mrs. B. L. Lockett and help Dr. Lockett rescue her from a large tree where she had clung to the limbs for two hours after the Lockett automobile had been washed down stream in Dead Man's Creek, North of Abilene, and three children and a young lady drowned. The Runnels county men were the first to reach the scene a short time after

WINTERS BACKS COUNTY FAIR

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce of Winters went on record Monday as being heartily in favor of giving the support of that progressive and prosperous little city to the Runnels County Fair movement. The directors of the Winters commercial organization passed an order endorsing the fair proposition and instructed its secretary, J. C. Watts, to assist J. D. Motley in canvassing the city and soliciting stock subscriptions. Mr. Motley went to Winters Monday and met with the directors of the Winters body and presented the county fair proposition. The directors immediately endorsed the move and as individuals pledged themselves to take stock in the fair association and directed Mr. Watts to aid Mr. Motley in placing the proposition before the citizens of Winters.

"Winters is ready to do her part," said Mr. Motley Tuesday morning as he was leaving for Winters to continue the campaign in that part of the county. Mr. Motley stated that the Winters folks were alive to the best interests of the county, and he did not anticipate any trouble in receiving the support and co-operation of the citizens in the North end of the county in making for Runnels county one of the best county fairs in Texas.

BULLISH REPORT ON COTTON CROP

A summary of the cotton crop condition for the cotton belt, compiled by reliable authorities makes a bad showing for the outlook for a cotton crop at this time. The report was figured as of May 23rd and gives the condition at 67 per cent, taking the country as a whole, and for Texas the condition is 67.5 per cent.

39,100,000 acres are planted as compared with 37,420,000 acres last year indicating an increase of 4.5 per cent over last year. The estimated yield is fixed at 11,275,000.

Texas—Season ten days to three weeks late, with some reporting delay of at least four weeks. Cultivation good to fair. Stands fair to poor. Climatic conditions very unsatisfactory. Nights too cool. Dry weather and seasonable temperatures needed, with the exception of some Northern and Western counties where rain is needed. Sufficient labor at present, but some shortage expected if the weather continues unfavorable. Scattered complaints of weevil and grasshoppers. 82 per cent planted. 25 per cent to be replanted. Outlook at present poor.

GOVERNMENT TO OPERATE SHOALS

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The Norris bill for government operation of the Muscle Shoals properties was reported favorably today by the Senate agricultural committee. The vote was 11 to 4.

A motion to give a favorable report on Henry Ford's bid for the Muscle Shoals plant was defeated by a vote of 11 to 5.

BANKS DECLARE TWO HOLIDAYS

The local banks have announced two holidays, the first Friday of this week, and the second Tuesday of next week. May 30th will be observed as Decoration Day, and June 3rd will be observed as Jefferson Davis' Birthday.

Two Little Boys Drown Wading in Colorado River

G. A. Jones, of Leaday, was in Ballinger Tuesday morning and gave The Ledger an account of the drowning of Woodrow and Robert Jameson, ages nine and eleven, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Len Jameson, who live near Leaday on the Colorado River about 25 miles Southeast of Ballinger.

According to an account of the tragedy as related to The Ledger by Mr. Jones, the two Jameson boys, with a younger brother, and the little son of Billie Miller, of Leaday, slipped away from home and went to the Colorado River, a short distance from the Jameson home, about 10:00 o'clock Sunday morning. The boys pulled off their clothing and went wading in the river, all holding to each other's hands. The two older Jameson boys and the Miller boy stepped off in water over their heads. The youngest Jameson boy, about seven years old, did not get in deep water, and the Miller boy succeeded in getting out, while Woodrow and Robert Jameson went to a watery grave.

The other two boys became frightened, and hiding the clothes of Woodrow and Robert Jameson, did not report the drown-

SIX DIE IN BIG HOTEL BLAZE

NEWARK, N. J. May 27.—Six men are known to have died in a fire today which destroyed the Windsor Hotel in this city. The hotel housed one hundred guests last night when the fire broke out and the firemen expressed the opinion this morning that other bodies were probably in the debris of the building. Six bodies have been recovered.

Ledger want ads pay

Memorial Day

We should cover their dust with flowers today and their memory should be covered in glory and honor.

We should pay tribute to those who dared to do and die that we might live in peace and harmony, privileged to pursue happiness and worship God in a land of plenty as conscience might dictate.

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The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas.

ONE ARREST IN MURDER CASE

CHICAGO, May 27.—The arrest of a man known as George Johnson, in connection with the kidnaping and death of Robert Franks, 13-year-old son of Jacob Franks, millionaire manufacturer, is the latest development in the investigation of the case.

The man arrested bears the same name as that signed to the ransom letter received by the father of the boy demanding \$10,000 for the return of his son. The boy was believed to have been spirited away in a gray automobile and the man arrested today was driving a car fitting the description of the one which the lad was seen to get in a few minutes before he disappeared, and while on his return home from school. The same make auto was seen near the school attended by young Franks at the time he started home from school. The prisoners under arrest lives in the Hyde Park district near where the Franks family reside.

Mrs. F. G. Rogers and daughter, Miss Freddie, of Miles, were visitors to Ballinger Tuesday.



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