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## MEXICO CELEBRATES VICTORY OVER GEN. VILLA

Chihuahua Mex., Jan. 15.—General Francisco Murguía, while church bells rang and firecrackers popped, rode through lines of school children waving flags on his arrival here today from the front. The demonstration was in honor of his recent victories over Villa. Twenty-four field guns and six heavy French guns taken from Villa have been brought to Chihuahua City. It is said that all the locomotives and cars taken away by Villa have been recaptured.

Villa cannot be located personally, the military authorities here say further that instead of going to Durango he is trying to get back to his old haunts at Satevo.

The government troops, however are still engaged in the hunt for him and his bands. General Hernandez is proceeding with his cavalry to Satevo.

## VILLA WILL MAKE ATTACK

Galveston, Jan. 15.—Residents of Tampico are expected a Villa attack, according to Pipe Line workers, arriving here.

They say Villa has taken over all the rolling stock of the roads for operations out of Torreón.

### Reinforcements

Washington, Jan. 15.—The Carranza garrison at Torreón has been reinforced by ten thousand men from the south for campaign against Villa.

## WAR NEWS FROM FRONT

### Maii Destroyed

London, Jan. 15.—A Reuter dispatch from Stockholm says: The captain of the Swedish steamer Ingelborg, belonging to the Thule line, who has returned to Gothenburg from England states that his steamer was stopped in the North sea by a German submarine and that he was compelled to throw in to the sea all the mail from entente countries, consisting of 700 sacks. Otherwise, he said, the German commander threatened to take the ship to Germany.

## New Train For Santa Fe

It is stated by those in a position to know, though not officially that the new Santa Fe train from Amarillo will be put on the first of February.

The schedule for the new train calls for it to reach Sweetwater at 8 o'clock in the morning and to return at 11 o'clock.

Plainview, Jan. 13.—Information has been given out in local railroad circles that the Santa Fe railroad will about Feb. 1 put on a new through passenger train between Kansas City and Sweetwater and the schedule will be arranged so that points on the line between Amarillo and Sweetwater will have a double daily train service.

## COLD KILLS IN CHICAGO

By Associated Press:

Chicago, Jan. 15.—With mercury at zero, one death from freezing is reported and there is much suffering among poor. There is also a coal shortage, which it is said would assume serious proportions, unless relief comes within forty eight hours.

## THAW IS SUED BY ATTORNEYS

White Plains, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Suit to recover from Harry K. Thaw \$20,000 for services rendered as his counsel in his efforts to secure his release from 'Mattewan' has been filed by Walter E. Rathburn, a New York lawyer. He asserted he was counsel for Thaw from March 1913 to November, 1916. Attorneys acting in Thaw's behalf requested that the suit be transferred to the United States district court in New York on the ground that Thaw is a resident of Pittsburg.

## LAWSON MUST GIVE NAMES

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 15.—Lawson is expected before the Rules Committee to testify regarding "leak" at three o'clock.

The house adopts a resolution to compel Lawson to give names.

## MORE SNOW IS FORECAST

According to the weather report there is no good weather in sight. Rain or snow is the forecast for tonight and tomorrow.

## WILL REPORT SPANNELL CASE

The Spannell murder case will begin in San Angelo tomorrow, according to latest reports.

The Reporter will, from day to day, give accounts of the trial as its proceeds.

## HOME MAN GETS CONTRACT

Berry & Company, contractors of the one hundred thousand dollar court house, has sublet the contract for finishing and painting the building to S. R. Neblett of this city.

The contract was awarded this morning, but the consideration was not made known.

## DEWEY IS A SICK MAN

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 15.—Admiral Dewey is critically ill and physicians are very anxious about him.

## GOOD FAMILY IS COMING

Frank A. White, the new manager of the West Texas Electric Co. is on the ground and is rapidly adjusting himself to the many duties and responsibilities of his new office.

Mr. White has made a very favorable impression on our business people.

He will move his family here from Palestine as soon as he can secure a home in which to live.

## Doings With Legislators

By Associated Press:

**NEW BILLS**  
Austin, Jan. 15.—Senator Dayton today introduced a bill prohibiting lavish or corrupt use of money in primary elections and providing that candidates in office accounts, shall swear they have not violated any provisions of the act.

A thousand dollars fine is provided for violations of this law.

Resolution were adopted requesting the state penitentiary commission to furnish a statement of back debts of penal system incurred prior to nineteen fifteen. The resolution is designed to abolish a proposal to appoint a committee to audit these claims.

### New Asylum for West Texas

A fight to have the proposed new insane asylum recommended by Governor Ferguson located in the territory west of the ninety-eighth meridian will be made by members of the legislature from West Texas. Templeton of Collingsworth has introduced a bill providing that this be done.

It proposes to locate it in much the same manner as proposed for the West Texas A. & M. College and that it be called the West Texas Home for the Insane. This is part of a program to obtain for West Texas recognition in keeping with the importance of this vast territory.

## Winters Man Died Saturday

News has been received here by friends of the family of the death of Dr. J. L. Allard at Winters on last Saturday morning of blood poison, contracted from a wound on his arm caused by burning against a stove.

Dr. Allard leaves a widow and several children. He was about 56 years of age and very prominent in that section and elsewhere. He was president of the Winters State Bank and a partner in the sanitarium there.

## COTTON REPORT FOR DECEMBER

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 15.—Cotton, exclusive of linters, consumed during December, amounted to 536,587 running bales and for five months ending December 31, 2,783,962 bales, census bureau announced today.

## SNOW COVERS ENTIRE STATE

Snow began falling early Sunday morning and continued all day with the result of about four inch fall by night. Old timers say it is the greatest snow in many years and will do much good, as it will put sufficient moisture in the ground for the grain crops.

**Record Snow in Dallas**  
Dallas, Jan. 15.—The snow has reached a depth of 7.1 inches, which is one of the heaviest ever recorded here. In 1906 snow fell 7.5 inches and in 1890 7.5-8 inches. All morning trains are late.

### Covers Entire State

Fort Worth, Jan. 15.—The blizzard broke in all of its intensity over Texas Sunday morning. A heavy sleet storm in some sections preceded a heavy snow, which covered a new deep snow record at many points.

Telegraphic reports show the snow was falling in many parts of Texas. It will do much good, supplying moisture not only for the grain fields, but also for the range and the newly-plowed land.

Post, Texas, reported a heavy fall of snow, with prospects of the most severe storm of the year.

Snow began falling at Strawn at 7 a. m. Sunday and up to noon three inches were on the ground. Dublin estimates say a six-inch snow fell there, coming just in time to save the grain crop from ruin.

San Angelo fuel dealers were unable to make deliveries fast as calls came in Sunday. The snow began at 10 a. m. and at 3 o'clock three inches were reported on the ground.

Stepenville reported with five inches already on the ground and with prospects bright for a foot.

Sagerton—The largest snow in years today; will not hurt livestock unless it continues all night.

Haskell—Four inches on ground fine on wheat.

Abilene—The largest snow in thirty years fell today. It is not melting. Grain will be benefited.

Colorado—Snow has fallen here all day.

McKinney—Four inches had fallen up to 5:30 o'clock this afternoon. It is the heaviest in four or five years.

Seymour—Four inches had fallen up to 6 p. m.

Gainesville—Enough snow had fallen up to dark to insure moisture for grain for the next few weeks. It extends over the entire county.

### Heaviest in Twenty Five Years

Ballinger, Jan. 14.—A million dollar snow fell here today, the heaviest in twenty-five years. Farmers have land broken and big seas on comes in opportune time. Heavy snow still falling.

The Wood-woodyard—Phone 376.

## HOME COMPANY WILL SPEND 25,000 ON PLANT

## COURT AGAINST THE RAILROADS

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 15.—Test cases, regarded as decisive for about eight hundred railroad claims against government for approximately thirty five million additional compensation for carrying mails from nineteen seventeen to nineteen eleven, was decided against roads by supreme court today.

## BOAT SINKS; MANY DEAD

Tokio, Jan. 15.—The Japanese battle cruiser Tsu Baka was sunk today in the harbor at Yokosuka by an explosion of her magazine caused by fire. More than 100 men were killed or injured. The Tsu Baka was of 13,750 tons displacement measuring 744 feet long with a beam of seventy-five feet. She carried a crew of 817 officers and seamen.

## WILL VISIT OLD HOME

S. A. Brand will leave in a few days for a visit to his old home in Georgia, after an absence of about 30 years.

Mr. Brand is first cousin to Judge Charley H. Brand, who many claim to be the most gifted judge in that state, having been continuously on the bench for nearly twenty years.

## No Party Controls House

Washington, Jan. 15.—An advance list of members of the next House of Representatives, prepared by South Trimble, clerk of the House, and made public today, gives 215 Democrats, 213 Republicans, 2 Progressives, 1, Prohibitionist, 1 Socialist and 1 Independent.

Mrs. George Parker has returned from a visit of several days with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Kagans at Abilene.

## NONE SUFFER FROM COLD

The City and County Authorities report no suffering among the people because of the cold wave yesterday and today. Fuel dealers have been able to supply all demands made upon them so far and say they anticipate no trouble in keeping Sweetwater people warm as they have sufficient fuel on hand for that purpose.

The Sweetwater Ice & Cold Storage Company has begun to improve its plant at this place to enable it to better care for its growing business and to meet the demands of the rapidly growing city. Already \$25,000 worth of new machinery has been ordered and is en route here to be installed as soon as it arrives.

New vaults are to be built in connection with the new machinery, which is the very latest and most modern in every respect.

## MANY PAY ROAD TAXES

Collector Howell and City Secretary Bartlett have had another very quiet day, as but few Nolan county voters have been to see either of them.

Saturday was a big day with the county collector's office which issued seventy two poll tax receipts, bringing his total up to 769 at the close of business Saturday night.

Tax Assessor, George Sheppard was at Blackwell and fifty five voters down there paid their poll taxes during the day.

Collector Howell got seventeen in the office.

Twenty six people paid road taxes at Blackwell Saturday, which puts the "Queen of the Orient" at the top on that column.

The road tax is \$3.00 if paid before the first day of February, or \$5.00 or five days work on the public roads, if paid after that date.

Only men between the ages of 21 and 45 are subject to road tax.

### City Street Tax

The law governing city street tax is the same as the county road tax. If it is paid before February 1st, it is \$3.00; after that time \$5.00. Notwithstanding this saving, city secretary Bartlett states that the number paying city street taxes so far is an even dozen.

## LATE NEWS OVER WIRE

### Anti-Cigarette Law

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 15.—The lower house of the Oklahoma legislature today passed the anti-cigarette bill prohibiting the smoking, of giving away or selling of cigarettes in the State of Oklahoma. The bill now goes to the senate.

### 70-Pound Girl Whips Teacher

Dallas, Jan. 15.—A 13-year-old schoolgirl in a common school district "licked the teacher" in approved style this week, according to report made by County School Superintendent B. M. Hudspeath.

### CRITICALLY ILL

Sunday night Mrs. Ed Bardwell received a message from Arizona stating that her father W. C. Shields was dying. This morning a second message came stating that he was still alive.

Mrs. Bardwell and her brother, W. C. Shields, Jr., will leave on tonight's train for their father's bedside.





## The New Year Clear

With the glasses you have? Surely you want to see clear all the time whether you see through glasses or not, and if your vision is not clear and restful for either near or far distance you should come and let me treat your eyes at once and give those tired eyes the necessary aid that they are needing to give you the best sight possible with comfort.

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### Announcement Column

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The following have announced for City Offices in the approaching April Election:

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CHAS. STARR.

#### FOR CITY SECRETARY.

W. E. JOHNSON  
W. H. BARTLETT.  
J. L. ROSS

## LELAND WIGHT'S STATEMENT

Number of persons have criticized me for allowing to be published a letter received by me from Thos. F. Hodge, Secretary of Chamber of Commerce, in Saturday's evening Reporter.

I desire to say that in considering the advisability of its publication I could see that what I considered the intent of the letter was susceptible of and possibly could be construed by some to convey other ideas meanings, or motives.

A few convenient members of the Chamber of Commerce and the editor of the Reporter I handed to the editor with the suggestion that he might eliminate certain parts of it, though personally I have no criticism to make of the Reporter for publishing the letter in full. Citizens were daily asking me for Mr. Hodge address or if I had heard from him.

I fully realize there has been a close censorship at all times on things both spoken and written in this campaign which I consider wise and prudent and this attitude should be continued. Personally I can see nothing in Mr. Hodge's letter but the synonym of his enthusiasm, confidence and faith in the outcome of his big undertaking. If he has any fear of misgivings regarding the outcome he has the strength of a politician by keeping them in his own bosom. If any citizen of Sweetwater should infer from his letter that any part of it reflected a line up for Sweetwater my opinion is and would be to the contrary. It is my opinion that everyone in this Western country that was interested enough to inquire knew that he was for Mr. Fuller for Speaker and if his arm was a part of the strength that put him there he has a reason for believing that the proposition is growing strength. It is possible that the strength of the German army today is due to the great number of battles they report to have won.

Let us not forget that publicity has its place and counts. One tenth part of the laborers of our secretary has never been told.  
W. L. Wight.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McAllister Stevenson are snow bound in Abilene. They were there visiting Mrs. Stevenson's parents, Judge and Mrs. Fred Cockerel.

Buy your shoes at the Herndon shoe Store and get the best. "The Selz."  
9-1f

No. 2 tomatoes 10 cents.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Crisco, \$1.25.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f

Tom Hubbard is in Dallas.

Get the best shoe, at the price, and that will be the Selz.—Herndon Shoe Co. 9-1f

Mrs. Hugh Rogers has the La Grippe.

Eat at the City Restaurant once and you will come back.—H. J. Revel, Prop. 13-2:1d

John Majors of Colorado, spent yesterday in Sweetwater.

Sweet potatoes, nine pounds for 25 cents. Jerry's Cash Grocery. Phone 71.

Reid McLemore of Abilene is here today.

Three pounds Morning Cup Coffee, \$1.00.—Davis Cash Grocery if

Prof. Roy E. Dodson, of Maryneal, was here this morning on his way home from Stamford.

Nice bananas 25 cents per dozen. Perry's Cash Grocery. Phone 71.

Dan Childress is home from Miles where he was called on account of the death of his brother.

Ten pound Cottolene \$1.90.—Davis Cash Grocery. 5-1f

Owing to the inclement weather, the Sunday Schools and churches report small attendances yesterday.

E. L. Mashburn who was on the T. & P. passenger this morning stated that the snow seemed about the same as far as Texarkana.

Elder G. F. Bradford of Marshall and preach Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the Christian church.

Mr. Lang Ayeock is home from Fort Worth where he took Mrs. Ayeock for treatment. He reports her improving.

On account of ill health Miss Etta Tharpe has resigned her position in the Gannon school and remained at home with her parents.

### SATURDAY CLUB

Mrs. J. McAllister Stevenson was a most delightful hostess for the regular meeting of the Saturday Club in her home on Walnut street Saturday afternoon.

The warm clasp of welcome from the hostess as she ushered her guests into her cherry rooms fully repaid them for having braved the outside cold.

The following special program was arranged for this meeting and each number was heartily enjoyed.

Roll call; Activities of Women. Laws and rights of Texas women.—Mrs. Asbury.

Child labor laws.—Mrs. R. N. Grisham.

Home Economics.—Miss Neely.

Round table discussion The European war from the view point of the women and children.

After adjournment a social hour was enjoyed, during which the hostess served prettily arranged refreshment plates.

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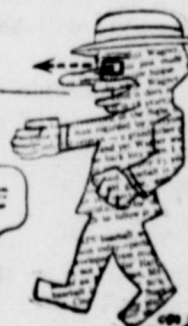
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## RACE ISSUE IN CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 15.—Raising the race issue in the senate for the first time in years was promised Saturday night over an amendment to the corrupt practices act by Senator Gallinger, veteran New Hampshire Republican.

Gallinger's amendment, if passed, would mean appointment of an investigation committee of five senators and five representatives to learn if the "privilege of the vote is denied in violation of the constitution in any state and if this disenfranchisement results in those permitted to vote in such states having an over-representation in congress."

The bill, admittedly, is aimed at voting practices in Southern States.

Senator Vardaman, Mississippi was one of those who so interpreted the amendment. Regarding it, he said:

"When this question is understood in the North as it now is understood in the South the fifteenth amendment will be repealed and the fourteenth modified."

"These amendments are not violated in the South now, but when it becomes necessary to violate them to maintain white supremacy in the South—the white people are going to control."

"There is a law higher than the law of man that makes this necessary."

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FOR SALE.—City property. Lots 11 and 12, block 38 original town. 23 and 24 block 80 Orient Adl. and 16, 17 and 18 block 20, 5 and 8 block 9, 10 block 8 Min. Adl. Write owner for quick selling price.—A. E. Lichty, 53 W. Jackson Bld. Chicago. 19-1mop

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FOR RENT.—Three unfurnished rooms at 611 Bowie street.—P. B. Ogle. 13-6tdp

CITY LOANS.—I will be found at the Texas Bank & Trust Co. Wednesday of each week. I can help you to buy or build a home; also loan on lands and city property. Easy payments. Extend vendor lien papers.—B. E. Hurlbut. 13-3tdp.

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TWO unfurnished rooms for rent. Phone 204. 13-2tdp

FOR RENT.—A four room house, newly painted and papered. electric lights, two blocks from square.—A. I. Berman. 15-1f

FOR RENT.—Two furnished rooms for light house keeping second door west of Grogan Hotel. Phone 282. 15-6td

LOST.—Interrogation Point stick pin. Small diamond set in bottom reward for return.—W. H. Wortham. 15-3tdp

## MILLIONS ARE BEING EMPLOYED

London, Jan. 15.—It is estimated that between six and eight millions of persons now employed by the government representing half the wage earning population of the United States Kingdom will have to be discharged at the end of the war, according to the report of the committee on labor problems after the war.

All these workers will not be discharged simultaneously but it is probable that within two months after peace has been declared some two or three million workers will be turned off.

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## No Compromise Wants New Says Hodge A.M. School

Austin, Tex., Jan. 12, '17 Sweetwater Daily Reporter, Sweetwater, Texas.

Dear Sir:—The situation regarding the Branch A. & M. College for West Texas is very encouraging, and each day is showing accessions to our ranks. While we have considerable opposition in the way of compromise, yet it seems that they have failed to gather around them the strength which they expected, and the indications are now that we have the House won by a small majority.

Our Bill has been introduced in the Senate under the leadership of Senator Claude Hudspeth, who is fighting vigorously for its passage, and while we have a hard fight on, I feel that we will ultimately meet with success.

The Bill in the House will be introduced jointly by some fifty or sixty East Texas Representatives, who will give their loyal support to the measure.

Our attitude is "no compromise" on the original measure, and I sincerely hope to be able to get the Bill through as agreed on originally, with perhaps a few changes as to phraseology.

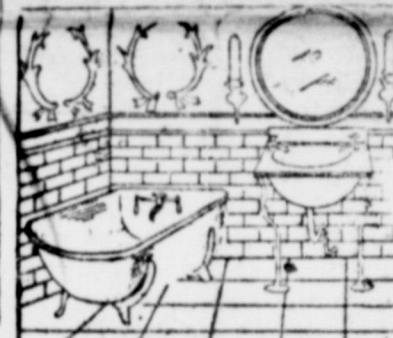
If you have any friends here wire them to exert every influence in behalf of this measure.

Yours very truly,  
Thos. F. Hodge, Secty.

### COCHRAN—JACKSON

Mr. Tom Cochran and Miss Ella Jackson were united in wedlock Saturday afternoon at the bride's home north of Decker. Mr. Cochran is the son of Judge Cochran. Miss Jackson is the accomplished daughter of Mrs. M. F. Jackson. —Blackwell Times.

Plainview, Jan. 13.—Plainview and Hale Center will make an active campaign when the proper time comes for the location of the proposed West Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college in Hale county. It is proposed that the college be located at Ferguson a railroad switch located just south of Plainview, in this county, named in honor of Governor Ferguson's brother, who is a prominent citizen of Hale Center. The 2,000 acres of land required can be secured in a smooth, level body in the Ferguson community and the land is rich and in the shallow water irrigation belt.



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## Sweetwater Theatre TO-NIGHT

Helen Homes

### "Lass of the Lumberlands"

Chapter two

Two Acts

### "The Wreck in the Fog"

Vogue Comedy

### "The Weched City"

2 reels

Sweetwater Theatre



# SCHOOL QUESTION UP AGAIN

Relative to the public school situation, there appears to be some misunderstanding as to the plan or appeal which is being made to the patrons of the school for supplementing the fund so as to make the term nine months instead of seven as now appears very probable. However, the splendid response from those who understand the situation is very encouraging, indeed.

Some of the patrons, appear to consider the money to be raised as a tax when in reality it is money that must be secured at once if the nine months term is to be maintained and which cannot be legally borrowed from next year's funds or raised by a tax or bond issue.

A few have been heard to remark that they cannot understand why in years gone by there was ample funds and at present a deficit confronts the school. A little reflection and reasoning will easily answer this question. Only a few years ago our splendid high school building was erected and instruction and advantages are now being offered there that are superior to that of very many of the junior colleges throughout the country. The various departments were added and instructors with degrees from well recognized universities are employed and a high standard of affiliation is being maintained with the state university and the other leading schools throughout the south. To maintain this service quite naturally requires more money than when the school was kept in a single building and less than a dozen instructors employed.

Our former Supt. M. B. Johnson in discussing the school situation with the writer during his incumbency stated that just such a condition would exist as we are now confronted with unless strenuous relief measures were taken. This was certain in view of the fact that the surplus funds that had accumulated were rapidly being consumed with the increased expenditures. Our tax rolls will show that the income from this source is practically the same that it was several years ago.

The school board realizes the fact that the plan of making a direct appeal to the patrons would fall heavily upon the patrons with several children, but were unable to devise a more practical solution to the emergency. We must real-

ize the fact that we are confronted with a serious condition or emergency and not a mere theory and it will take some sacrifice upon the part of the people to solve it. It is simply a question of whether we shall have a nine or seven months school. If our people can advise a better plan one that is fairer and more equitable, the board would be indeed, glad to get it. I am sure.

The appeal will not end with the patrons alone, but the board is appealing to every loyal citizen of the city to assist in this emergency. To stop the school short of nine months would be nothing short of a calamity, one which the schools of the city would not overcome in a number of years. As stated in a previous statement no student can complete the work as outlined in seven months and be promoted. The large graduation class would fail to receive their diplomas, our affiliation would be seriously out down and other serious handicaps follow.

Will not the patrons and citizens of Sweetwater in general come to the school's relief at this time? The splendid student body is counting upon you to meet the emergencies. Will you fail them? Those who have not filled out the blanks agreeing to assist in the way as outlined should reconsider and do so.

Respectfully,  
W. A. Perry.

## SHOP EMPLOYEES LAID OFF

Last Saturday morning in an effort to reduce operating expenses forty-one shop employees of the Texas & Pacific shops at Big Springs were laid off. They were ten machinists, fifteen machinist helpers, five blacksmith helpers, one capper, two capper helpers, two boilermaker helpers and six carmen.

On the same day the shop was placed on an eight-hour day, but Tuesday of this week work was again resumed on a nine-hour day. —Big Springs Herald.



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# SPANNELL CASE POSTPONED TILL TOMORROW

By Associated Press:

San Angelo, Jan. 15.—The Spannell case was postponed until tomorrow, because of the failure of some of the witness for defense to arrive.

Harry J. Spannell will be tried for his life by twelve of his peers at San Angelo, Texas, Monday Jan. 15, upon an indictment returned against him for the killing of his wife, Crystal Holland Spannell, and Lieutenant Colonel Mathey C. Butler, of the Sixth cavalry, United States army, in the quiet little city of Alpine, Texas, on the evening of July 20, 1916.

Since the killing, Spannell has been held in the county jail at El Paso and San Angelo. When the indictment for the alleged double murder was returned against him, at Alpine in September, he was remanded without bond.

The cause that led up to the enactment of the tragedy is known to but one living witness—Harry J. Spannell, and if he continues to the end with the same sphinx like silence he has stoically maintained since the alleged commission of the crime, it is a case that may go down in jurisprudence without precedent, for so far, no eye witness to the killing has been found, though the tragedy was enacted while all the parties mentioned were riding in an automobile in a prominent residential portion of Alpine just at dark.

**Spannell Drove Car**  
Spannell, who was driving the car, occupied the front seat, along with Mrs. Spannell and Colonel Butler occupying the rear seat, and from all accounts Spannell suddenly stopped his car and is alleged to have begun shooting; using, it is said an automatic pistol and a six-shooter, both victims being shot several times, death being instantaneous.

**Spannell's Married Life**  
After the shooting Spannell was taken to the jail and surrendered, saying, it is alleged, to the sheriff: "I have killed them both."

To this day no cause has been assigned for the tragedy. The married life of Mr. and Mrs. Spannell was seeming'ly ideal. Their little daughter, Holland Spannell, about five years of age, was their only child. Just before the tragedy happened, Mr. and Mrs. Spannell with their little daughter were out driving, they came up to the Holland Hotel and let the little girl out, to play with some little girl friends, and, it is said, invited Colonel Butler to join them for an evening drive. After driving eight or ten blocks, the killing occurred.

**Wife Was Crystal Holland**  
Mrs. Spannell was formerly Miss Crystal Holland, of Alpine. She was the daughter of John R. Holland, who is a prominent cattleman and banker of West Texas. She was educated at Baylor University and there met Spannell, who was musical instructor at Baylor University, and they were afterward married at Alpine. She made her home for several years with her husband at Waco. Afterward they returned to Alpine, where they resided for the past three years. She was noted as one of the most beautiful and cultured young women of West Texas.

**Butler was from South Carolina**  
Colonel Butler was a native of South Carolina and was born May 1, 1864, his home for several years was Nashville, Tenn., where he met and married Miss Margaret Howell, who was the daughter of a very prominent family of that State. He had been but recently promoted to lieutenant colonel.

**Prominent in Army Circles**  
Colonel Butler was very prominent in army circles, and had a wide acquaintance. He was stationed at Washington for a year or more, and, it is claimed, was known as a soldier of exemplarily character and splendid attainments. His wife and son, Mathey C. Butler, survive him.

**Spannell a Pennsylvanian**  
Spannell was born in Hazelton, Penn., where his aged father still resides. He received the best musical education this country and conservatories abroad could afford afterward coming to Baylor University, where he held a position as musical instructor for many years, resigning to take charge of

the Holland Hotel at Alpine, where he has lived for the past three years. He had many friends there and was very popular, it is said.

**100 Witnesses from Alpine**  
About one hundred witnesses from Alpine are summoned on this case.

**Array of Legal Talent**  
From the array of legal talent retained by both the prosecution and defense, this case promises to be a hard fought battle, as some of the very best lawyers in Texas have been employed. To assist J. A. Thomas, district attorney of the Fifty-first judicial district, the following attorneys have been engaged: W. Van Sickle, Alpine, Texas; Walter Gillis, Del Rio, Texas; W. A. Wright, San Angelo, Texas. Attorneys for defense—L. A. Dale, of Hudspeth, Dale & Harper, of El Paso; Lud Williams, Waco, Texas; Judge McLain, Fort Worth, Texas; and Judge W. A. Anderson of San Angelo.

It was stated that the defense expected to go to trial Monday, when Spannell faces the charge of having killed his wife. The case charging him with the murder of Colonel M. C. Butler is set for Jan. 18.

## May Search All Who Enter Court Rooms

The taking of precautionary measures in searching everyone who enters the court room during the trial has been considered by court officials, but Judge Charles E. Dobois stated yesterday that no definite action had yet been taken in regard to the matter. Such a course is not often resorted to, but is sometimes considered necessary in important cases.

**Col John Holland Early Arrival**  
Col. John Holland of Alpine, father of the woman who was killed, and Jas. Wilson, also of Brewster county, have been in the city for several days. Jno. Spannell of Hazelton, Pa., father of the accused also reached the city on Wednesday.

**Mrs. M. C. Butler Arrives**  
Mrs. M. C. Butler, wife of the slain officer, arrived Friday from Nashville, Tenn., where she has made her home since the tragedy of July 20, last year. She is accompanied by her son, M. C. Butler, Jr., aged 9; her brother, R. B. C. Howell, a member of the Nashville law firm of Barthell, Howell & O'Connor, and her mother, Mrs. M. B. Howell. The party is stopping at the Landon.

Dr. Frank Butler, a brother of the late Col. M. C. Butler, resides in Columbia, S. C., but will not come to San Angelo. — San Angelo Standard.

# DYNAMITE MYSTERY SOLVED

Haskell, Jan. 13.—The arrest of three young men sons of prominent families in Haskell county is believed by officers to be the solution of the recent dynamiting of negro houses here on the nights of Jan. 1 and 2. At an examining trial of the young men today, it developed that the dynamite was obtained from the warehouse of a merchant. It developed during the examination that one of the negroes cursed one of the accused, according to his statement, and for that reason the young men came to the decision to run the negroes out of town. The three men accused of the offense have made bond pending an investigation of the grand jury. A majority of the negroes have returned home.

The sheriff and county attorney have worked diligently on the case since its inception.

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# Papers Want Square Deal

Amarillo is reminded that if West Texas had the two additional congressmen to which this section of the state is entitled, her chances for securing the Farm Loan Bank might have been better. Two congressmen to whom West Texas is entitled hold their residence in Houston, Houston got the Farm Loan Bank.—Wichita Times.

Seven years since the census, and Texas still has two congressmen-at-large. It begins to look like we will have about two more congressmen added before the state is redistricted. In the census of 1920 Texas will probably get more congressmen, bringing the total of the "at-large" delegation to an unequal proportion. West Texas furnished the population for the new congressmen, but it hasn't got the congressmen yet.

The legislature has been pickling long enough. West Texas is going to demand some sort of action one of these days.—Arlene Reporter.

The very demand by the people of West Texas for an A. & M. College is confession of the need of the division of the state. The conditions, climatic, agricultural, social, political and industrial, are too diverse to secure uniform and

just legislation. East Texas domination in the legislature has prevented the re-districting of the state in overt violation of mandatory law. The increase in population in the 13th and 16th congressional districts was wholly responsible for the increase in congressional representation, and by every rule of justice, the two extra congressmen should belong to the section whose development created them. The stream can be dammed back only so long; when the pent-up water becomes heavy enough it washes every obstacle before it outwash. Doubtless the same self-seeking initiation politicians will be on the job at Austin again during the current session of the legislature and enact the same asinine farce. West Texas should either be given the congressional representation to which its growth and development entitle it, or it should be given absolute divorce from the other part of the state.—Colorado Record.

## OLD NEGRO DIES OF PNEUMONIA

The mother of Jack Sparks, who runs the negro rooming house here in the city, died early this morning from pneumonia after an illness of four days.

Superintendent J. H. Bright reports all the City schools open today with something like seventy five per cent of the pupils in attendance.

No. 5781  
Report of Condition of  
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK at Sweetwater in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 27th, 1916.

RESOURCES	
1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c).....	\$380,050.82
2. Overdrafts, unsecured .....	1,623.84
a U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value).....	20,000.00
e Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned and pledged .....	6,742.14
8. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent or subscription)....	2,700.00
9. a Value of banking house (if unencumbered).....	11,104.00
10. Furniture and fixtures .....	3,972.60
11. Real estate owned other than banking house.....	40,520.32
12. a Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis.....	54,479.09
b Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities .....	53,747.24
13. Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 12 or 20) .....	25,672.97
15. Other checks on banks in the same city of town as reporting bank .....	8,974.69
16. a Outside checks and other cash items.....	5,379.46
b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents.....	181.50
17. Notes of other national banks.....	1,650.00
18. Federal Reserve bank notes .....	1,370.00
19. Federal Reserve notes.....	4,040.00
20. Lawful reserve in vault and net amount due from Federal Bank	46,079.09
21. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer .....	1,000.00
Total.....	\$669,297.76
LIABILITIES	
23. Capital stock paid in.....	80,000.00
24. Surplus fund .....	10,000.00
25. a Undivided profits .....	20,653.52
b Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid.....	9,701.17
28. Circulation notes outstanding .....	20,000.00
31. Net amount due to banks and bankers (other than included in 29 and 30) .....	157,287.37
<b>Demand Deposits:</b>	
33. Individual deposits subject to check.....	362,230.66
34. Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days.....	7,614.75
35. Certified checks .....	100.00
36. Cashier's checks outstanding .....	1,188.97
Total demand deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 .....	\$71,134.38
Time deposits (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):	
41. Certificates of deposit.....	19,923.66
Total of time deposits, Items 41, 42 and 43.....	19,923.66
Total.....	\$669,297.76

State of Texas, County of Nolan, ss:  
I, R. K. McAdams, President of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
R. K. McADAMS, President.

Correct—Attest:  
R. H. Fitzgerald,  
J. D. Dulaney,  
J. H. Beall,  
J. V. W. Holmes,  
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of January 1917.  
W. L. Wish,  
Notary Public.