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SPANELL TRIAL CLOSED TODAY; ARGUMENTS ARE BEING MADE BY ATTYS.

By Associated Press: San Angelo, Jan. 30.—The defense rested today in the case of Harry Spanell, charged with killing his wife and Colonel Butler at Alpine last July.

The court charged the jury this afternoon. Arguments followed and it is expected the jury will get the case late tomorrow.

San Angelo, Jan. 29.—With the jurors and the defendant absent, attorneys trying the Spanell case this afternoon shortly after 2:00 o'clock opened a discussion of the legal phases involved in the court's charge to the jury. Lawyers were late in arriving and for the first time since the trial was begun two weeks ago there were practically no spectators.

Frequent night Sessions to be Held
Night sessions will likely be held often when arguments begin. Judge C. E. Dubois announced this afternoon. Whether or not each speaker will be limited has not yet been decided.

Having no witnesses to proceed with the trial of Harry J. Spanell, charged with murder, the state Monday morning proposed that the defense begin the introduction of its rebuttal testimony. Counsel for Spanell declined and the court ordered that the first night session of the trial be convened tonight at 7:30 o'clock, at which time the prosecution is expected to conclude its evidence.

Attorneys Scheduled to Hold Conference.

Attorneys in the case were to have met with Judge Chas. E. Dubois this afternoon at 2 o'clock to discuss the points of law involved in the charge to the jury. The charge will probably not be delivered until Wednesday or Thursday, when the arguments are begun.

Mrs. Downum Due to be Recalled

Mrs. J. W. Downum, wife of the former proprietor of the Holland Hotel dining room at Alpine who testified for the state early in the case, is scheduled to be returned to the witness stand tonight, provided she is physically able. Mrs. Downum was to have been recalled by the prosecution on Saturday but was ill. She was too sick Monday morning to appear at the court house.

More State Witnesses Coming

One of two witnesses, who have been subpoenaed by the state, should arrive in San Angelo Monday afternoon on the 5:35 o'clock Orient, in time to testify tonight. **Defense Use a Day Offering Rebuttal Testifying**

Attorney Lud Williams, a member of the counsel for the defense announced today that the defense will probably require an entire day in which to introduce its rebuttal testimony and thus close the evidence on both sides. There are eight or ten witnesses who are billed for examination. Three of these among the number, Mrs. Bertha Mitchell and S. D. Arnold, were sworn in Monday morning. **Defense Turns Down Proposal**

When the prosecution this morning at 9:45 o'clock proposed that the defense begin the introduction of its rebuttal testimony, the plan was promptly turned down, Judge

DR. BEAKLEY'S CLOSE CALL

J. W. Kinsey, a prominent citizen of the Hylton community, is here on business today. He reports the condition of Dr. J. F. Beakley much improved after an illness of blood poison that came near proving fatal.

Three weeks ago Dr. Beakley scratched his hand in some way while driving his automobile from San Angelo. He thought nothing of the incident until three days a boil showed up on his arm between the elbow and shoulder. The place grew worse and soon the doctor was found to be in a serious condition. His two brothers, who are also physicians, and a specialist from San Angelo were called to his bedside.

For several days his life was almost despaired of, but he is now thought to be out of danger.

TRENT HAS ANOTHER BURGLARY

Local officers at this place received a message from the sheriff's department at Abilene this morning stating that another burglary was committed in Trent Monday night.

The name of the store burglarized was not learned but it is said that it must have been a hardware store in as much as a lot of hardware was taken.

Williams telling the court that Spanell's attorneys did not wish to begin the conclusion of its case until the state had shown its last card.

Spanell Had a Deep Cold
Spanell today is suffering from a severe cold. Sunday was the only day he has been able to take medicine and he was not feeling well Monday morning. During intermissions in court procedure he sat with his father near an east window frequently conversing with Alpine friends some of them witnesses who have been on the stand.

Jurors Supplied With Music
The confinement of the jurors has been somewhat relieved by the thoughtfulness of the Angelo Furniture Co. This firm has sent a large Victrola and many records to the court room and there is music both day and night.

Three State Witnesses Examined This Morning

Only three witnesses were introduced by the state this morning and nothing startling was brought out, most of the testimony dealing with Butler's reputation, the location of bullet holes in the death car and a conversation which Polk, Hinson swore he had overheard between Butler and Spanell. One of the smallest crowds during the two weeks Monday morning.

FATHER DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Mrs. J. H. Bright received a message from her husband stating that the latter's father died Sunday night in Coleman Oklahoma. The message did not state whether the remains would be buried in Oklahoma or brought back to his old home at McKinney, Texas.

CHURCH CALLS NEW PASTOR

The First Christian Church of this city has extended a call to Elder George F. Bradford of Marshall to become its pastor.

Elder Bradford has the matter under advisement and will make definite announcement in the matter in a few days.

Rev. Bradford is said to be one of the strongest men of his church and it is earnestly hoped by our people that he may see his way clear to accept the call of the church here.

RECORDER HAS A BIG CASE

Recorder Hightower is having big court this week over a case in which a party is charged with speeding.

The case was one of those brought over from last week when some fifteen cases were filed for the alleged violation of this city ordinance.

The defendants on Monday asked for a jury. He was represented by Col. Jim Grisham and when the lawyer had entered his argument the jury of six was unable to reach a verdict three being for acquittal and three for conviction.

The Recorder set the case for trial again this afternoon and City Marshal Johnson was out this morning summoning a new jury for the case.

GETTING READY FOR DRIVE

R. C. Campbell of the Department of Agriculture came in this morning from Mitchell and other counties west of here where he has been assisting in a number of successful rabbit drives. The rabbits caught and slaughtered are to be brought here and crated then shipped in cars to the market north.

Also Mr. Campbell is ready to co-operate with the local people in pulling off the big rabbit drive staged for this place, as soon as things can be gotten in shape.

WAR NEWS FROM FRONT

By Associated Press: **Little Fighting**
London, Jan. 30.—Fighting in a small area around Verdun is all that is reported from various fronts today.

LATE NEWS OVER WIRE

By Associated Press: **Gets Married**

Paris, Jan. 30.—Auguste Rodin, famous sculptor, instead of being ill as stated yesterday, was married to Madame Iselle Rose, according to the Eventment.

Rodin is seventy-six. His first wife was a model for works that won him fame.

Change Time

New York, Jan. 30.—The National Daylight Saving Association met here today to engineer a plan to turn the clocks of United States one hour forward the last Sunday in April and one hour back the last Sunday in September.

Tom Thumb Wedding

Texarkana, Jan. 29.—A Tom Thumb wedding in real life occurred here when Miss Georgia Langhorn of Timpson, Texas, and William Espey of this city were joined in wedlock.

The bride is 4 feet 3 inches in height and weighs 80 pounds, and the groom is 4 feet 7 inches and weighs 95 pounds. They met here a few months ago during a visit by Miss Langhorn to friends.

The bride is a member of a prominent old Texas family. The groom was born in Missouri but has resided in Texas for seventeen years.

Santa Fe Declares Embargo on Grain.

Galveston, Jan. 29.—The Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railway has declared an embargo on all grain moving to the port of Galveston, effective Jan. 31. The embargo will be enforced against all grain shipments, which are billed local for export.

Children Dead

Kahxkankee, Jan. 30.—Mrs. O. K. Meints yesterday by mistake mixed the powder, with which her husband practiced taxidermy, in pancake flour. Today four of her children are dead from poisoning and also a grand child.

Earthquake

Washington, Jan. 30.—A severe earthquake shock, originating five thousand miles from Washington, were recorded by the Georgetown University Seismograph early today.

Dead

Galveston, Jan. 30.—George Courts, head of the big printing firm here, died today in Pittsburg while attending American Foreign trades council meeting.

Life Sentence

Mindel, La., Jan. 30.—Chester Tyson and Mark Peter were found guilty with life penalty attached and Larkin Stewart and Anderson Heard, were found guilty and given life imprisonment here today for killing John Reeves, his wife and three children last Christmas Eve for robbery purposes. All are negroes.

MEXICANS BANDITS

By Associated Press: Mexico City, Jan. 30.—The War Department received report that bandits here tried to cross into the United States near Brownsville and were forced back by General Ricaut yesterday.

COTTON

The cotton market is about ten points down today with very little selling locally.

LAST CALL TAX PAYERS

Monday was a big day with the city and county tax payers. One hundred and five paid their county and state poll taxes and fifty six paid city polls. This brought the state poll taxes paid in the county up to the close of business Monday night at 1346. The city list stood at 243.

There are many at each office today qualifying as voters by getting a poll tax receipt.

Tomorrow is the last day in which this very important work can be done and the safest thing to do is to pay this afternoon or tonight. You may be providentially hindered tomorrow.

PEACE NOTE BOTH HOUSES

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 30.—Senator Lewis, a Democrat of Illinois, today introduced a resolution that it is sense of the Senate that President Wilson's peace address does not propose doing away with the Monroe Doctrine nor propose any military aggression by United States in foreign lands. He asked that the resolution lie on the table. A resolution introduced by Senator McCumber would have the Senate declare it unable to agree with President Wilson's proposal for "peace without victory."

ADMITS MADE BIG MONEY

By Associated Press:

New York, Jan. 30.—Bernard Baruch the Wall street speculator who was a heavy seller just before Wilson peace note came out, testified at the "leak" inquiry today his profits between December tenth and twenty-third, were nearly half million dollars, but declared he made the money through his foresight in interpreting prices by British and German Premiers, not from "leak."

Doings With Legislators

Austin, Jan. 30.—The Senate Committee on elections today reported favorably the House Bill, forbidding "mooching".

The Texas Company bill was adopted by the Senate.

Senators Smith and Clark introduced a bill, creating an insurance commissioner.

Memorial Day

Austin, Jan. 30.—Governor Ferguson today signed House Concurrent resolution designating March second as Houston Memorial Day.

There is no work going on at the new court house today as it is necessary to let the concrete set before other work can be done. It is thought a full crew will be on hand again tomorrow.

MEXICAN WOMEN RIOTING

El Paso, Jan. 29.—A misunderstanding over quarantine regulations led to a riot today at the Juarez end of the main international bridge, which threatened for a time to assume dangerous proportions. Energetic measures taken by the Carranza garrison and a conference between American and Mexican immigration authorities later brought about an arrangement satisfactory of the Mexicans and quiet was restored. The rioters who were Mexican women employed as servants in El Paso, resented the placing in effect of an American quarantine order that all persons of unclean appearance seeking to cross the bridge be given a shower bath and their clothing be disinfected to kill typhus-bearing vermin. Women, stopped by the authorities, returned to Juarez and circulated stories that all were to receive a bath in a gasoline mixture similar to that which resulted in a fire in the El Paso jail last March in which more than a score of persons were burned to death. Stories were circulated that American soldiers were photographing the women while bathing and making the pictures public. Excited women thronged the Mexican side of the bridge, held up street cars and completely blocked traffic for several hours. They shouted defiantly, waved con troller bars at the helpless manager of the street car system, and scurried against the shade of the bridge walls when a moving picture man tried to take their picture. Some of the American car men were roughly handled and several car windows were broken. Mexican men who attempted to cross to El Paso through their hats snatched off and thrown into the Rio Grande. Andres Garcia, inspector general of Carranza consulates, and Soriano Bravo, the consul general, advanced in a motor car that was shoved back by the women, some of whom later shouted "Viva Villa" when they tried to address the mob but the garrison soldiery appeared and pressed the women back from the bridge. Several shots were heard in succession at this time, but Carranza officers and government investigators say no one was hurt, despite a detailed story that spread through El Paso that a peon had been killed for shouting "Long live Villa—death to Carranza." At an international conference held at noon it was arranged that the American authorities would recognize birth and sterilization certificates issued by the Mexicans who have an effective quarantine plant. Because of the riot the rae es on the Juarez track were called off and the gambling halls closed. The quarantine order closes international traffic between 7 p. m. and 7 a. m. because of the shortage of night inspectors. Travel is unrestricted during the day, except so far as relates to the unwashed.

BILLY SUNDAY

Billy Sunday is going to try to convert New York. Rockefeller will build an auditorium to cost \$50,000 and that will seat 25,000 people. Sunday has engagement for three years ahead. He must be a remarkable preacher.

We Are Still Making
Special Prices
On All Winter Goods

A few Ladies' Plush
Coats left. Worth
\$35, for \$22.50

Sweetwater Dry Goods
COMPANY
"The Price is The Thing"

The First 200 Ladies

Coming to or phoning our store
Thursday, Feb. 1, will receive a
Potted Plant FREE. We have 3
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to get your choice.

DENMAN & ASBURY
Groceries and Meat Phone 61 and 62.

Protect the Growing Feet of Children with

Billiken Shoes



EVERY parent should exercise the utmost care when selecting shoes for the little tots. During the formative period their feet are very tender and the bones are easily moulded and quite often are turned from the natural course by uncomfortable or ill-fitting shoes.

Careful shoe fitting is absolutely essential to healthy, well-formed feet—every mother should demand a shoe "built to fit" the child's foot.

"Billiken" Shoes are scientifically constructed by McElroy-Sloan Shoe Co., St. Louis, in a specialty factory—BY SPECIALISTS. They are made by a new scientific process—no nails, no tacks—extremely flexible soles. In tan, gunmetal calf, patent colt and black and brown kid.

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EAST SIDE SQUARE Phone 97

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

W. H. Brashear is in Dallas this week on business.

L. F. Crowder, a prominent cotton dealer of Abilene is here today.

Tanlac for sale at City Drug Store.

Miss Lula Brannon, of Crowell, is in the city visiting friends.

Garland Vinson is home from visiting in San Angelo.

Mose Newman is home from a business visit to New Orleans.

Fresh country butter, Perry's Cash Grocery, Phone 71.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gunn, continues quite ill.

Tanlac for sale at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Fred Howe of Roscoe was guest of Mrs. Gunn yesterday.

L. C. Vinson had business at Big Springs yesterday.

Buy your shoes at the Herndon Shoe Store and get the best.—"The Selz." 9-tf

William Wight is not so well today and is unable to be at his office.

Will Davis who is threatened with pneumonia is not so well today.

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

Rev. J. C. Moore was called to Lorraine today to see his daughter, Mrs. Maude Smiley who is sick.

The Starr Meat Market delivers meat to any part of the city. Phone 17. 6-tf

Misses Anna Lou Faber and Estelle Stiles spent Sunday in Merkel the guests of Mrs. Forest Gaither.

W. C. Calvert, County Farm Demonstrator, left for the Champion community this evening where he will be for several days assisting the farmers in terracing their land.

L. E. Musgrove has returned to his duties as shipping clerk for the Walker-Smith Company in San Angelo after a visit to his father, R. A. Musgrove and family.

Mrs. A. L. Robertson and daughter, Miss Muff, who have been guests of Mrs. J. E. Bryan for several days returned to their home in Slaton yesterday.

J. S. Arledge and daughter, Miss Lillian Arledge, of Abilene were in the city Monday and were 6 o'clock dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Chapman.

Mr. Whitten, business manager of the Roscoe Times, was a business visitor in the city Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Carl Williams will be hostess for the Bridge club Wednesday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mike Rogers.

A number of women in the western part of town are taking advantage of this pretty weather to have their husbands work the yards and prepare the garden for early planting.

The old frame building where the Star Market was formerly located is being removed today to make room for the new two story brick that is soon to be erected on the same lot.

Mrs. J. J. Maxey of Anson who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Kirkpatrick, was called home on account of the death of one of her neighbors, but will return in a few days.

The Willis Art Gallery of this place has opened up a branch office in Blackwell and one of the office men here will go down there once each week.

Dr. and Mrs. Richardson of Nolan are in the city today. The Doctor reports the health of that part of the county good.

It is reported that two of the trainmen on the Orient train were hurt in the wreck near Knox City early Monday but their injuries were not serious.

The case of Neil Commission Co. vs. Wells Fargo Express Company was called in the county court this morning. On account of the absence of some of the witnesses it was postponed to a later date.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Caperton and daughter Miss Rosalie and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mighell motored over to Hobbs last Saturday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hayter and family. They report a most pleasant visit and brought home a nice lot of quail killed on the return trip.

Judge and Mrs. W. W. Beall and small son and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hilton left this morning in auto for Dallas where Mr. and Mrs. Beall will have their son examined by a specialist. Mr. Hilton will be in Dallas for some time on business and his wife will make an extensive visit to points in East Texas.

The north bound Orient passenger train waited here twenty minutes last night for Dr. David White of Hamlin who came in on the East bound Texas & Pacific from Midland where he went after Roy Butler who was being carried to his home in Hamlin. Young Butler, who was very weak from an operation for appendicitis, was standing the trip all right when he reached Sweetwater.

IMPROVING POST OFFICE DRUG STORE

The Post Office Drug Store is installing a new American Soda fountain of solid marble with an onyx top. It is of the very latest design and make and would be an ornament to a store in any town twice the size of Sweetwater.

The interior of the building is to be repainted and repaired and new buffet fixtures are now en route from the factory to be installed as soon as they reach here. Since coming to Sweetwater almost a year ago Mr. Simpson, the proprietor of this store has become very popular with our people and as a result has enjoyed a splendid business. He is showing his appreciation of this excellent patronage on the part of Sweetwater people by spending most of his earnings from the business in better preparing himself to care for the needs of the city and surrounding country in the drug business.

RESERVE RECORD FROM ORGANIZATION TO DEC 30 1916

1898	
1899	\$43.36
1900	
1901	\$634.95
1902	
1903	\$43,657.18
1904	
1905	\$149,793.49
1906	
1907	\$407,258.23
1908	
1909	\$879,191.04
1910	
1911	\$1,035,236.62
1912	
1913	\$1,181,824.44
1914	
1915	\$1,327,246.35
1916	
1917	\$1,578,051.64

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

FOR CHIEF OF POLICE.

J. H. BOND
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CHAS. STARR
J. F. DICKSON
W. R. JOHNSON

FOR CITY SECRETARY.

W. H. BARTLETT.
J. L. ROSS

Mr. and Mrs. Slater of Dora were here Saturday. Mrs. Slater thinks the ladies of her community will organize a "Neighborhood Club" in the near future.

WHO DOES YOUR PLUMBING

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION

because it concerns the HEALTH of every member of your family. Can you afford to run the risk of employing inexperienced plumbers?

Our Knowledge of the Business is a guarantee that work done by us will be installed in the best sanitary manner. Remember, our prices are not more than often asked for inferior work.

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Satisfaction Guaranteed
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GEO. T. WILSON
Lawyer
Over Continental Bank.

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If You have Shoes Repair work or Want Made to Order boots or Shoes, See

Chesney Brothers
At Lytle Air Dome

HOPE & SON
FOR ALL KINDS OF WOOD
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Oldest Wood Yard in Sweetwater

SWEETWATER LAUNDRY CO.
The Nicest Laundry in Texas
Satisfaction or your Money Back
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John McCracken has put on a float wagon and asks for a share of your business. Prompt and efficient service is his motto. Phone 436.

If Your Merchandise Travels

on our vehicles it will arrive at its destination in perfect condition. We have built our reputation upon speedy careful deliveries and moderate charges. We are equipped to store your goods in an efficient manner. Investigate us—ask about us



MEN AND MERCHANDISE TRAVEL ON THEIR REPUTATION NOT THEIR CONVERSATION

Sweetwater Transfer Co.
Phone 520

Are You Fastidious ?

If so, we want you for a patient. We are daily treating persons from all over the country who have taken all form of DRUGLESS treatment, and they are constantly complimenting us on our work, and often tell us that our treatment is the most complete they have ever taken.

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE. If we cannot please you, we neither want you as a patient nor do we want your money. Try us just one week and if you are not highly satisfied in EVERY PARTICULAR, we will refund every cent you have paid for your treatment. Demand anything of us that is consistent and we will grant it. Call 581 and our car is at your service.

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—IN—

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is our speciality and we care not how delicate the job is we can do it and do it in a way that will please and satisfy.

Our work is guaranteed to be the best as we are skilled and trained mechanics and the more complicated the job is the better we like it and take pride in doing it right.

We use no imitation balance staffs or jewels or material of any kind and our prices are as low as those that use the imitation material.

If your watch has failed to give you satisfaction bring it to us and we will make it run to suit you or it will cost you nothing.

We repair after others have failed in a way that satisfies

P. T. Quast

Jeweler—Optometrist—Music Dealer.
Sweetwater, Texas.

Toilet Needs!

Perfumes, Powders, Cosmetics, Brushes, Combs
Nail Files, Chamois, etc., at

HORN'S

Confectioner Stationer News Dealer

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church enjoyed a social meeting with Mrs. I. S. Foelt yesterday afternoon.

William and Otto Stewart of Blackwell are here on business today.

J. D. Brandon of Chillicothe is moving to the Dora community this week.

Taulac for sale at City Drug Store.

CLASSIFIED ADS

SWEETWATER DAILY REPORTER
First insertion, per word.....1c
Second and subsequent insertions,
per word 1/2c
No ad taken for less than 25 cents.

WE HAVE experienced men to do furniture repairing, crating and shipping goods, toves polished and set up. Satisfaction guaranteed. Terms reasonable.—Household Furniture Co. Phone 549.

MONEY TO LOAN
Money loaned on desirable improved residence property, also improved farms and ranches at prevailing interest rates.—W. Y. Rockwell, Campbell Bldg. Phone 136. 16-tf

DON'T Buy until you try—Don't sell until you tell—New Second Hand Furniture Store. Phone 684.—M. T. Bowden, Mgr. 11tf-d-w

FOR RENT.—My residence furnished. Has six rooms and all necessary outhouses in best part of town.—Mrs. S. W. Crutcher. Phone 77. 20-tf

HELP SWEETWATER GROW.
—Money to loan on residence and business property. Easy payments and reasonable rates. Do not loan on hotels or livery stables. In Sweetwater Thursdays. All Farm and Ranch Loans.—B. E. HURLBUT, Brownwood, Texas.

FOR RENT.—3 rooms, with private bath, for light house keeping for couple without children. Phone 669. 23-tf

FOR SALE.—One 6 room house 4 lots 50x140 each. Nice barn, good cistern. Located in Orient addition. Blocks 92 lot 9, 19, 11, 12 at bargain address Sweetwater, R. A. Box 82. 23-12td-4td

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

WANTED.—Position in Public School, or as governess on a ranch. Five years experience, specialized in primary work. Best of references. Box 51, Bruceville, Texas. 25-6tdp.

EVERYTHING.—In feed and groceries. Best molasses feed on the market: Alfalfa, Timothy and Clover, Chops, Bran, Mo-eggs, Cold Pressed Cake, etc. Sweetwater Seed and Grain Co's. grocery department, Perry Bishop in charge, in Crane-Bradford building north Second street. Phone 51 12-tf.

DON'T.—Let your cattle suffer. Cracked cake at the Sweetwater Seed & Grain Co.'s warehouse. 19-tf.

FOR SALE.—We have some good work horses and mules for sale for cash—or will sell on time and take good notes.—Sweetwater Transfer Co., Sweetwater, Texas, Phone 520. 20-10td-1tw

FOR RENT.—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. Near Oil Mill.—Phone 111.—A. M. Fryar. 26-6tdp

Pure Mebane Planting Cotton Seed. Get them quick while they last.—Sweetwater Seed and Grain Co. 25-10td-4w

FOR RENT.—Business house, with seven bed rooms on second floor, close in.—H. C. McNeill, at Wagon yard. 27-3tdp

FOR RENT.—2 furnished rooms near High School. Phone 286. 6d

FOR SALE.—At highest bidder lot No. 16 Block 37, in South Side Addition. Mail your bid to Conger Bros. Smithville, Tenn. 29-12tdp.

FOR RENT.—One vacant room with lights and water two blocks from the square. Phone 473. 1t

FOR RENT.—Three furnished rooms for light house keeping. Phone 470. 30-3tdp

NOTICE

I will be in Sweetwater Thursday in place of Wednesday of this week.—B. E. Hurlbut, City Loans.

DINNER PARTY

Saturday evening, Ellis Douthit, Jr., was host for nine of his boy friends, when Judge and Mrs. Douthit arranged a most delightful dinner party for their pleasure. The dinner was served in five courses, and was followed with a program of after dinner speeches, the oratory of which would have been a credit to older heads than they.

After dinner the remainder of the evening was spent in games and telling stories and jokes.

Those present were: Royston Crane, L. H. Shelton, Jack Murphy, Claud Beall, Addie Bradford John Calvert, and Leland Glass.

Mrs. M. E. Cook of Lampasas is here to see her mother, Mrs. Schnell and sisters, Mesdames Huey and Dupree.

In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas.

In the matter of S. M. Thompson, Bankrupt in Bankruptcy.

Center, Texas.
Notice is hereby given that on the fifth day of February, 1917, I will sell to the highest bidder the following described property located in Sweetwater, Texas: Lot No. 8 in Block No. 28 in the South Side Addition to the city of Sweetwater, Texas, as shown by the map or plot of said addition as recorded in Book "Y" pages 494-95 Deed Records Nolan County.

All Bids should be addressed to me at Center, Texas.

J. W. Shotwell, Trustee,
S. M. Thompson, Bankrupt.
29-2td.

Our Specialty

Is repairing watches and doing high-class engraving

The kind of of engraving we do adds to the value of the jewelry. Inferior engraving always detracts.

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JEWELER—ENGRAVER—OPTICIAN

Sweetwater Theatre TO-NIGHT

Topnotch Motion Pictures PRESENT

"A WOMAN'S AWAKENING"

A drama of the great World War
A true hero and love's reward

In five parts

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NEW MOVE FOR THE PROS.

Austin, Jan. 29.—Representative Yantis of Henderson introduced the "bone dry" bill prohibiting the intrastate and interstate shipments of intoxicating liquors into dry territory in Texas this afternoon in the house. It was referred to the committee on liquor traffic.

The drafting of the bill done in consultation with the attorney general's office and T. N. Jones of Tyler, was completed Sunday night. If passed, its effect will be to prevent the shipment of intoxicating liquor into dry territory in Texas, whether from inside or outside the state, and shipper, the common carrier and the recipient are all made parties to the transaction when liquor is so shipped and the act of each held to be in violation of the provisions of the law.

Governor Ferguson declined to discuss the question as to whether he would sign or veto such a bill in the event it passes. The pros hope that he will sign it, basing their hope on the ground that it accomplishes what the Allison law designed to accomplish, and that the decision of the court of criminal appeals invalidating the interstate feature of the Allison law was not handed down until after the governor's campaign during which he declared he would veto all liquor legislation.

Includes West Virginia Features

The bill embodies all the provisions of the West Virginia law, insofar as it applies to dry territory, and all of them have been held valid by the United States supreme court.

Because of the situation which has been precipitated in the submission fight, the pros in the house have seized upon this bill and embodied it in their program.

It is contended by the pros that the Bagby resolution does not provide against the shipment of liquor into the state, and that no matter which resolution were adopted the Yantis measure would be necessary to make it effective.

COLLECTS INSURANCE

It was announced here Monday that the widow of Ed Simms who was killed at Snyder some time ago, has entered suit for \$100,000 for the death of her husband against the persons alleged to be implicated in the killing.

The attorneys for the plaintiff are Cunningham & Oliver of Abilene and Beall & Douthitt of Sweetwater. The suit was filed at Snyder.

It is understood that Simms had \$20,000 life insurance and that it has been paid to the beneficiary. Under the terms of Simms' will his brother has entire charge of his property without bond. The will is to be probated in Garza county in February.—Abilene Reporter.

A VERY LARGE INSURANCE CLAIM PAID

J. E. McConnell received this week a check for \$20,000 from the Etna Life Insurance Company payable to E. V. Sims, administrator of the estate of Edward C. Sims, in settlement of a policy carried in that company by the late E. C. Sims.—Snyder Signal.

PROS. AROUSED IN FORT WORTH

Fort Worth, Jan. 29.—Three Tarrant county representatives, E. C. Walker, C. A. Burton and I. T. Valentine who it is declared "violated both state and county instructions of their constituents and voted against the prohibition submission amendment, were unsparingly flayed for such action at a mass meeting Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist church in which between 400 and 500 prohibitionists took part.

These three men were the pivotal points of discussion in the entire meeting, and charges were made that Burton, Walker and Valentine were directly responsible for the failure of the submission to gain the required two-thirds majority.

John R. Nelson, presiding elder of the Methodist church at Fort Worth, who spoke first said:

Proud of Carlock

"When Mr. Carlock voted for prohibition I felt proud of him. When Burton, Valentine and Dr. Walker voted 'no', it was as if a clod had fallen on their coffins in the valley of death.

Tarrant county's representatives that voted against the submission measure cast three votes. The measure lacked three votes of a two-third majority. Draw your own conclusion. It has gone out across the state that the three Tarrant county men defeated submission on the first reading," he concluded.

"Maybe they got some brewery money," cried a voice in the audience.

"No, let us at any rate give them credit for sincerity," answered Nelson. "They were not sent down to vote on which in their opinion was the best measure," he continued, "but by a majority of Tarrant county voters they were solemnly charged to uphold and vote for submission.

"Failed in Their Honor."

"Our representatives were in honor bound to vote for prohibition submission. They failed in their honor.

"Let them ask themselves who is the master, the legislator with his individual opinion or the sovereign rights of the people, whose servants they are and who sent them down to Austin to do the people's will, and then ask them if they have not failed in their trust," he continued.

Mr. Nelson added that he believed Texas can be voted dry at the polls next July and carry Bagby's resolution in spite of himself.

"C. C. Hightower was selected chairman of the meeting just before Nelson spoke. "If these men can go into the camp of the enemy and we do not enter our protest, then we will have ourselves to blame," he said. "I believe the bone-dry amendment can carry, but everyone knows it was only a subterfuge to draw away some of our men into their own camp."

RABBIT SAUSAGE

Rabbit drives have been arranged in Howard, Mitchell, Nolan and Scurry counties to rid farmers of rabbits. The rabbits will be converted into sausage by a plant at Post City.—Blooming Grove Herald.

SANTA FE TAXES

Tax payers swarmed thick in Abilene Monday, anxious to pay their poll tax in order to vote and their other taxes to avoid the penalty which will be added after January 31.

County Collector Blue Tittle has received a check for \$9,741.84 from the Pecos and Northern Texas railroad (Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe system) in payment of that road's taxes in this county. The Santa Fe is the largest tax payer in the company its 39 miles of road exceeding the mileage of any other road in the county.—Abilene Reporter.

TWO YEARS' RESIDENCE

One of Sweetwater's big citizens in more than one way, had about decided to offer himself as a candidate for Mayor in the approaching election. Upon an investigation it was found that the city charter states that a citizen must be a resident of Sweetwater two years before he can hold the office of Chief Executive of the city.

Some Snake Story

Robert Lee Texas, Jan. 28.—The car belonging to J. A. Thomasson decorated with 81 sets of rattles and buttons, taken from 81 of these poisonous reptiles, was viewed by many spectators on the streets of Robert Lee this week.

Mrs. Thomasson and two sons dug out and killed these 81 snakes of various sizes, from a den in the famous Harris pasture near the Thomasson home. This is the best record of snake capturing ever known of at one time in this country. There are likely thousands of these snakes in the large Harris pasture, and every few days another large den is exterminated.

NOMINATIONS

By Associated Press:

Washington, Jan. 30.—The Senate Naval Committee today ordered favorably reported the nomination of Wilson's Naval Aide, Dr. Cary Grayson to be Rear Admiral. The Republicans are expected to fight the nomination on the floor.

SATURDAY CLUB

Mrs. Chas. L. Gass and Mrs. E. H. Williams were joint hostesses Saturday afternoon for the Saturday club, which proved to be one of the most enjoyable meetings the club has had in quite a while. A full membership responded to roll call and took great interest in the business meeting. The Public Library was fully discussed. It was moved and passed to send a contribution to the fund being raised for the Belgian Christian. The following program was the order of the day.

Roll Call—"Famous Lovers." Lesson—"Antony and Cleopatra."

Brief synopsis of the Play.—Mrs. P. R. Hamilton.

"Origin and History of the First Triumvirate"—Mrs. Willard Gibson.

Characters of the play and their relative importance.—Mrs. S. I. Edwards.

A splendid round table discussion on "The Egyptian and Roman Civilization of the time" was enjoyed the entire club taking part. The program concluded with most delightful music by Mrs. Richardson. After adjournment a pleasant social hour followed during which the hostesses served a most delicious salad course, assisted by Miss Lula Gass.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. A. L. Reynolds on Walnut street.

The annual election of officers will be the most important item for the club's consideration.

Mrs. Wortham, Miss Murchison and Mrs. Jones were invited guests

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MORE ABOUT OIL WELL

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I have been here in the interest of putting down an oil or gas well for about 8 months and have looked the country over thoroughly and tested out several locations and I find every indication that we ever find on the surface. We have all indications and formations and from a geographical standpoint it is A1. You people say you want to see a well go down and are willing to put in money to help put it down. Now the time has come to act. I have tried several times to get the people together, but have failed. I can't get enough together to try to organize a company and yet I am asked every day how I am getting along with the oil well.

Now if you really want an oil well we will get together at a meeting and co-operate and we will get one down. Otherwise there will be no well. Now it is up to the people to come in and organize a company and have some head to it.

Let's get to work. I think I have done my part, but am willing to do more yet and expect to get a well down some way. If the people here don't want it I can get others that will. I have several propositions now from other people that will come here and drill a well but when they do they will get the best of it and you can't blame them. We have it all our way now; so let's make use of the opportunity and meet at the Thos. Trammell Bank Wednesday at 2 o'clock p. m. to talk it over and get some action. Everybody come that is interested.

Yours,
R. Brown.

Tanlac for sale at City Drug Store.

MEXICAN MOB

El Paso, Jan. 28.—Eight American street car men were taken from their cars by a Mexican mob in Juarez today during a demonstration against quarantine placed on all night traffic between El Paso and the Mexican town across the border.

None has yet been harmed. Hundreds of Mexicans, including many women, lined the Juarez side of the Rio Grande while Carranza soldiers guarded the international bridges and patrolled the river front opposite the American army patrol.

Some shots were fired and one report said one Mexican was killed for shouting "Viva Villa."

BIRTHDAY FROLIC

A number of Laclare Robertson's friends gathered Thursday afternoon to assist in starting him of on his fourteenth year. Games dear to a boy's heart were played until Mrs. Robertson invited them into the dining room where the pretty pink and white decorated table was lighted with pink candles and was also decorated with cut flowers carrying out the color scheme. The refreshment course which was served around the table, carried out the pink and white color scheme also, and were admired by the guest while they enjoyed the toothsome dainties.

R. Brown, the oil man, was in Roscoe Monday and reports good prospects for beginning work on the oil well there again.

SCURRY COUNTY IS CHANGED

Scurry county has been taken out of the Thirty-Ninth Judicial District and placed in the Thirty-Second District thereby changing the court sittings of Jones, Scurry and Fisher counties, according to a letter received by Judge J. F. Cunningham from Representative Fritz Smith of Scurry county.

The bill for the proposed change has passed both Houses of the Legislature and will be signed Monday by Governor Ferguson, according to the letter.

Under the new law Scurry will be in Judge W. W. Beall's district heretofore belonging to Judge J. B. Thomas' district. The bill carries an emergency clause changing the time from holding court in Jones, Fisher and Scurry counties. Under the new plan the court will be held in those counties as follows:

Scurry county, May and December.

Fisher county, sixth Monday after first Monday in February.

Jones county, First Monday in January and 21st Monday after the first Monday in January.

The bill was introduced by Representative Smith.—Abilene Reporter.

H. O. Waters, cotton buyer of Lubbock, spent last night in the city.

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