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CONGRESS GRANTS PRESIDENT POWER TO PROTECT THE AMERICAN VESSELS

BULLETIN 12:30
Special to the Reporter:
Queenstown, Feb. 26.—The Cunard liner, Laconia, has been sunk.
She sailed from New York on February Eighteenth with several hundred passengers ten being Americans.
The survivors said to have numbered two hundred and seventy, will be landed tonight.

By Associated Press:
Washington, Feb. 26.—President Wilson will address a joint session of Congress at one o'clock this afternoon. He will ask Congress to empower him to use the armed forces of United States to protect American rights on the high seas.
The President completed his address early this morning and it was sent to the public printer at nine o'clock.

PRESIDENT GIVEN POWER
Washington, Feb. 26.—At a joint session of Congress this afternoon President Wilson asked power to use the armed forces of the United States in protecting American rights on the high seas and authority to establish a state of "armed neutrality."
The President pointed out that while he desired peace, there is something greater than peace, namely the protection of sovereign rights of America, and that the untrammelled right of American ships to sail the seas unmolested by any foreign nation must be upheld.

It was learned before President Wilson appeared that he was confident Congress would immediately grant his request.
The historic scenes of few weeks ago, when President Wilson appeared before joint session on the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Germany was reenacted today after the President solemnly read his address.
President Wilson had learned of the sinking of the Laconia while enroute to the capitol.

PROVIDES MONEY
Washington, Feb. 26.—Congress has not only authorized the use of armed forces but is expected to provide all the money necessary in carrying out the President's plan.
Whether armed neutrality will mean war depends on whether Germany realizes that the United States is ready to protect her neutral rights by whatever means is necessary.
The foreign relation committees of both houses met after Wilson finished his address.
Senator Simmons, chairman finance committee expressed the belief that five hundred million dollars would be sufficient now and that this sum might be provided by amending the revenue bill now before the Senate.

SHIPS WILL SAIL
New York, Feb. 26.—It is said that since President Wilson has been authorized by Congress to arm ships to protect American merchantment on high seas, American line steamships that have been tied up here will resume sailings as soon as guns can be provided.

ARMED NEUTRALITY
Washington, Feb. 26.—Armed neutrality is described by International Law authorities as a military measure for the purpose of defending the rights of neutrals against the threatening infringements on the part of Belligerent.
It has generally concerned more than one power, and the most striking historical instances of armed neutralities were those of

Northern European powers in seventeen eighty and eighteen hundred made to defend the principle of free ships and free goods.
They were adopted by a treaty between the Baltic powers and opposed by England.
During the present war, Holland and Switzerland have maintained what virtually amounts to armed neutrality, although it has been confined to land.
The last time the United States was in a state of armed neutrality was during the war between France and England, which ended with the downfall of Napoleon.
President Wilson admits asking Congress for this authority, which was granted today.

WITHOUT WARNING
London, Feb. 26.—It is authoritatively stated that the Laconia was torpedoed without warning.

SEVEN AMERICANS
New York, Feb. 26.—The Cunard line announces that they are advised of only one casualty. Seven were Americans aboard. Also twenty native born Americans were among the crew.
Five thousand sacks of United States mail were carried by the Laconia.

AMERICANS RELEASED
Washington, Feb. 26.—Ambassador Willard of Madrid, cables that he is advised that the Americans captured on Yarrowdale, were released by Germany on February sixteenth.

SHOOTS SLAYER OF BROTHER
Memphis, Feb. 26.—John Ward awaiting trial for the alleged killing of Louis Hooker, was shot and killed by Thomas Hooker, brother, at the entrance of Sheriff's office. Hooker surrendered to the officer.

BISHOP MOUZON IS COMING
An Inspirational meeting and Missionary Institute for the Abilene, Sweetwater and Big Springs Districts of the Methodist church will convene in Sweetwater on Monday, March 12 and remain in session for two days.
Bishop Mouzon of Dallas and Dr. J. M. Moore of Nashville, Tennessee are each to be here.
Preparations are being made to entertain about 150 messengers and delegates who are expected to be in attendance.
Sweetwater was selected by the head of the church for this meeting not only because the Methodist people of the city were anxious for the meeting but because of the fact of the splendid railroad facilities Sweetwater has thus enabling the people to attend the meeting from all parts of the territory with the least inconvenience possible.

MISS BRASHEAR HONORED
Miss Rita Brashear has been selected as a member of the Glee Club of Baylor College at Belton.
The club is now visiting the leading towns and cities of the state.
Two cars from Snyder passed through early Sunday morning enroute to Abilene with a young man by the name of Bynum who was suffering with an acute attack of appendicitis.

TO RELIEVE THE FOOD SHORTAGE

New York, Feb. 25.—Five thousand participants in the food demonstration at Madison Square charged upon the Waldorf-Astoria hotel at sunset Saturday, demanding food.
A real bread riot ensued. Ninety per cent of the crazed throng were women and children. Six arrests were made and half a dozen persons were injured in the clash between the mob and the 100 policemen who were called to fight it back.
Motor cars were turned back and their occupants threatened with death. One motorist, Chauncey Wehlman, was mobbed and beaten by a crowd of women, who following the lead of Samuel Solomon, leaped into Wehlman's car crying:
"Yah, yah! You ride in comfort while we walk and starve. Soon your wife will be with us crying for bread."

Man Dragged from Auto
They drove their fists into Wehlman's face and dragged him from the steering wheel. Responding to his cries for help, twenty policemen crashed through the horde around the car and saved him. He clung to Solomon, who threatening Wehlman with death was dragged to the police station.
Meanwhile the frantic women, leaving their screaming children to struggle for themselves in the furore, beat upon the revolving doors of the Waldorf-Astoria.
"Give us bread," they cried.
Others screamed: "We are starving at the door."
"You have more food than you want feed us."
"We came to see the governor. He said he would listen to us. Let us see him. Why can't we see the governor?"
"Don't touch us," screamed the women to the police. "Don't kill us. We are hungry. We came to get help; not to fight the police."
Assault Revolving Doors
Isabella Sorokin, a pretty girl of 19, began a savage assault upon one of the revolving doors. The girl seemed to have lost her reason. She called upon the crowd at her back to come with her.
Policeman Jordan, bucking through the crowd like a football halfback, reached the frantic girl and tried to haul her away from the door. She turned upon Jordan and dug her finger nails into his face. She tore six deep gashes down his cheeks and then, flinging herself upon him with the fury of an amazon, she hurled him backward.

Her shrill cries made her sisters hold. They fastened upon him as the girl held. Jordan was thrown to the pavement.
The policemen formed a hollow square around Isabella and began to remove her to the police station. In the fight that ensued, another woman and a man were arrested and thrown into the center of the riot formation with Isabella. In the furore, women began to realize that their children were lost and a wailing was set up.
The police seemed to be unable to handle the mob. They declared they could have cleared the streets in a quarter of an hour had there been men to deal with. But the harder they pushed and the louder they yelled, the wilder the women became.
They screamed curses at the police and prayers for food and help. And the curses and prayers arose in half a dozen tongues.
It was a new throng that Madison avenue, Fifth avenue and Madison Square saw Saturday.
It was a throng of women and children, marching and crying their protest against prevailing

OFFICER GETS THE BURGLAR

This morning about 2 o'clock as Mr. Robertson was passing up Oak street he saw two parties a cross the street trying to open the front door of Perry and Wallace's Grocery store.
He at once notified night watchman Bardwell, who went to the scene and arrested one of the men and placed him in jail. The second man had gone to the rear of the building and made his escape when the officer came up.
The party arrested was a stranger here.

OFFICERS LAND EVIL DOERS

The sheriff's force and the city officers have been on the move for the last few days and nights and as a result fifteen prisoners are now lodged in Nolan county jail.
Truly the evil doer has a rocky road to travel in Sweetwater, with the result that he is soon put out of business here.

HOME TEAM DEFEATS ABILENE

In the game of basketball Saturday afternoon on the local grounds between Abilene High School and the local High School team, the home boys again won over the visitors by a score of 45 to 38.
So far the home team has not lost a game this season.

SWAT THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

Buy your lard in bulk from Boyd's. Send your bucket and have it filled. We fill your 10 pound bucket with Flake White shortening for \$1.40, or your 5 pound bucket for 70c. When you do this you don't have to pay 20 to 35 cents for buckets and then hire some one to haul them off to the dump ground. When you think of meat think of Boyd's—The home of quality and variety. Phone 655. City Delivery. 26-d-1f.

EPIDEMIC OF MEASLES

There is an epidemic of measles in Mulberry Canyon Community which is of a rather severe type.
Uncle John Brown is reported in a critical condition with pneumonia.
There were some 6,000 of them Mothers carried babies in one arm and banners in the other.
"Open the warehouses. We demand food for our children," one banner read.
The women came from Rutgers Square, from the Brownsville district of Brooklyn, from the Bronx and from Harlem.
The Harlem delegation, 2,000 strong, marched down Fifth avenue.

Vegetables Now "Diamonds"

The merchants carried potatoes onions and other vegetables strung on spiked sticks. A boy, who addressed the merchants after they had massed in Madison Square, held up a huge ring upon which a potato and onion were mounted.
"Diamonds today," read a inscription appended.
At one time during the afternoon speakers were addressing the women and children from a half dozen different improvised rostrums.
There was no set program, no idea of organization, simply a concerted march and protest.

CENTRAL WEST TEXAS TRAINING SCHOOL OPENS

LATE NEWS OVER WIRE

Quart A Month
Columbia, S. C., Feb. 25.—Governor Manning has signed the Du rant "quart a month" liquor act and the anti-liquor advertising act both passed at the recent session of the legislature.

Fire Destroys Lepers' Home
Havana, Feb. 25.—The pest-house at Mariel, in which more than 100 lepers were confined, was burned today. The blaze is believed to have been of incendiary origin, as many of the lepers made threats to fire the building when they were removed from San Lazaro hospital some weeks ago.

Accidentally Killed
Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 25.—Edwin Gould, Jr., son of the New York capitalist, was accidentally killed while hunting near Jekyll Island last night, it was learned today.
Gould was hunting coons on a small island near Jekyll and struck a coon on the head with his gun. The weapon was discharged killing him. Only one companion was with him and it was necessary for the latter to row two miles in a small boat for help. Young Gould was 23 years old.

Many Killed
Boise, Idaho, Feb. 25.—A snow slide which struck the North Star mine of the Federal Mining & Smelting company at Hailey today carried away a bunk house, killing twelve men and injuring nine others.
Three other miners are missing.

FLORIDA LAND SCHEME WORKED

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 25.—Officers are still looking for four confidence men, alleged to have robbed W. I. Whitesel, Amarillo ranchman, of \$40,000 and who were too smooth for a trap laid Saturday. A snare of \$60,000 more was set out, but the confidence men were a wary.
Whitesel was shown alluring stories of profits to be made from land in Florida. He was offered a big stock of land "at a bargain" for \$100,000 and \$40,000 down. Then he discovered that he had been victimized.
Officers were advised and had Whitesel draw the other \$60,000 out of his Amarillo bank, and with his wife, come to Cincinnati. The land men were to be met in the waiting room at the General Union depot. Some detectives were near at hand, but no "land men" appeared.

MACK JONES OPERATED ON

Mack Jones underwent a successful operation Saturday when he had one of his eyes removed.
Eight years ago Mr. Jones got an insect in his eye that destroyed the sight.
The eye became sore again on last Monday and physicians found it necessary to remove the eye ball after several days treatment.
Watch for opening of Style Shop

The opening services of the week's Sunday School Institute was held Sunday morning at the Baptist church when State Secretary T. C. Gardner of the B. Y. P. U. spoke at the First Baptist church. In addition to the large number of home people who were there, a good number of visitors were on hand from several adjoining counties.
At 3 o'clock in the afternoon a young people's rally was held and at night state S. S. Secretary, William P. Phillips, addressed an audience that taxed the seating capacity of the church.
At nine o'clock this morning, more than a dozen members of the church began a religious census of the town, which is to be completed by Tuesday night.
More delegates came in this morning and others are expected from time to time as the Institute progresses.

The following is the program for each day this week:
Daily Program
From 4:15 to 5:00 p. m., Jr. B. Y. P. U. study class for boys and girls from 10 to 16 years old conducted by State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, T. C. Gardner.
From 5:00 to 6:00 p. m., Sunday School Normal class.
From 6:00 to 6:30, lunch served to all enrolled members of the school.
From 6:30 to 7:30 p. m. there will be three separate classes at the same time, viz:
"Sunday School Administration" conducted by State Sunday School Secretary, William P. Phillips; Bible study conducted by Rev. Williams Groom, Pastor of the First Baptist church at Haskell.
Bible Doctrines conducted by pastor, T. Y. Adams.
From 7:30 to 8:15 senior B. Y. P. U. normal conducted by State B. Y. P. U. Secretary.
From 8:15 to 9:00, popular Lecture Period.

COUNTY COURT IS IN SESSION

The criminal docket of the County Court was called by Judge Cochran this morning and the following jurors were present for the week: J. R. Bryant, W. L. Rotan, C. S. Pitts, T. T. Duncan, J. D. Roper, J. H. McLaughlin, Bryan Scott, J. S. Morrow, J. T. Redus, John J. George and L. T. Youngblood.
Three pleas of guilty were entered before court adjourned for the noon hour.
One party plead guilty of swindling, one for bootlegging and one for aggravated assault.
The court convened after noon when another party plead guilty to swindling and was sentenced. The Judge then excused the jury till Wednesday morning.

VILLA FORCES ARE FIGHTING

Presidio, Feb. 25.—In a battle between troops from the Carranza garrison at Ojinaga and Villa forces thirty miles west of Ojinaga, seventeen of the Carranza force were killed and many wounded while the Villa force left ten dead on the field, according to reports brought here today by Mexicans who witnessed the battle. Reinforcements from the Ojinaga garrison were rushed to the scene and another battle is expected. It is believed here the battle was preliminary to an attack by Villa forces on Ojinaga.

Sweetwater Theatre TO-NIGHT

Vim Comedy
"A Maid to Order"
ONE REEL

A Lass of the Lumberlands
Chapter No. Seven
"The Runaway Car"
TWO REELS

"An Eventful Evening"
Tom, Mix and Victoria Forde
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BEAUTIFUL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Self Culture Club entertained with a Colonial Tea, Feb. 22nd in accordance with the national custom of observing Washington's birthday, from 3 p. m. to 6 at the pretty home of Mrs. A. J. Wimberly on North Second street.

This home is beautiful in its Colonial style and exquisite furnishings, and truly radiated the gracious hospitality, on this occasion of "Ye old time." The whole lovely affair was planned carefully and carried out the Colonial idea, in every possible detail even to the colored maid at the door, in white cap and apron, who "showed the ladies in."

In the library Mrs. Wimberly and the club president, Mrs. Shugart, welcomed the guests, with that quaint courtesy of "Ye long ago."

Mesdames John Cox, Henry Hamilton and Walter Davis also entertained in this room.

Mrs. Fortner led the guests from the library into the dining room, where Mrs. F. G. Robertson, presided with an old time grace at the cluny covered tea table, which was beautiful in its Colonial appointments of lighted silver candleabra, holding blue candles. She was assisted by Mrs. Geo. Parker and Mrs. Asbury.

Mesdames Geo. T. Spears and N. L. Hall presided over the tea table in the breakfast room, assisted by Mrs. Walter Boothe and Mrs. F. J. Neal.

This tea table was attractive with golden candleabra holding yellow wax tapers and was laid with a cherry cloth over yellow baskets of sweet peas on each table and as favors added beauty to the refreshment plates, holding the old time lovely beaten biscuit served hot, with butter and the real Colonial pound cake in generous quantities.

A colored orchestra placed in the hall gave brightness and mirth during the entire afternoon by introducing their program, by singing many of the plantation melodies.

The members of the house party, all wore gowns fashioned after the Colonial period. With powdered hair arranged with side curls and flowers. Even the well remembered "beauty patches" were not neglected. One could easily imagine the wheels of time were turned back and they were attending a really truly reception of the early sixties.

Old silver lavender scented old lace candle lights, powdered hair panner skirts, stately steps and the plantation songs in the distance, with folds of Old Glory showing among the decorations of cut flowers and pedestals of ferns all these conspired to make the delusion almost real.

About one hundred and fifty guests enjoyed this delightfully quaint hospitality.

INTERESTING SIGHT

The four cars of copper bullion which were in the wreck five miles east of here last week, was load on flat cars and brought back here Sunday for shipment, being transferred from the flats to box cars. The shipment was from El Paso to New York. They were in blocks, or cakes, about four inches thick and twenty by thirty inches wide, and weighed 300 pounds each.

Part of them were twice this size. The sight was quite interesting to those who had never seen anything of the sort, and many availed themselves of the privilege while the reloading was taking place.

Ollie Cochran and family visited friends in Sylvester yesterday.

L. C. Vinson had business in Snyder today.

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For cleaning, pressing and repairing, Phone 157.—Will Hubbard. 16-dtf

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Sunday's Dallas News contained the picture of Ted Myers of this city who is a member of Trinity University Glee club.

Announcement Column

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

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Pillow Shams	3c to 10c
Cotton Blankets, per pair	25c
Wool Blankets, per pair	50c
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FIGHTING MEN OF THE U. S.

In these times of war like disturbances, we begin to look around to see what means of defense is at the disposal of our Uncle Samuel and we find upon digging around among statistics that available organized land forces of the United States today amount roughly, to 265,000 officers and men made up of 125,000 regulars and 140 National Guardsmen (including both those still in the federal service and those under state control).

The exact figures today are known only to the war department at Washington, but recent reports give a close idea of what the organization represent in fighting strength.

In his last annual report Secretary of War Baker stated that the actual strength of the regular army on June 30, 1916, (including the Philippine Scouts), was 107,641 officers and men.

In the beginning of July 1 last, by the National Defense act of June 3, 1916, the army was to be increased to 138,897 officers and men.

Exceptional difficulties have been found in carrying out this program for increasing the army. On account of the remarkable industrial activity of the country, recruiting has been, since the increase was authorized, at a very low ebb. It is therefore probable that the estimate of 15,000 as the strength of the regular army errs on the side of optimism, and 115,000 may be closer the true figure.

National Guard
The strength of the National Guard in Federal service on September 30 last was 143,703 officers and men.

Many Regulars Abroad
Of the regular army today probably only 85,000 officers and men are in the United States proper (including the Pershing expedition), while the other 40,000 are abroad. To show how the forces of the regular army are distributed on June 30, 1916, the last date for which definite figures have been made public, are given here:

United States and Mexico, 71,038; Alaska, 792; (scouts), China, 1,274; Porto Rico, 714; Hawaii, 8,840; Canal Zone, 7,099; miscellaneous, 610. Total 107,641.

Vast Unorganized Forces
While the present organized forces are minute, the reserve manpower of the United States is more vast than that of any white nation except Russia.

According to the census of 1910 (since when the increase has been great), the reserve militia of the United States, by which is meant the males aged between eighteen and forty-five years, not including in the organized forces, amounted to 20,538,347 men.

The above total does not include the men of the insular possessions, except Hawaii. These could produce another 2,000,000 men of military age.

France is said now to have one person out of every six in her population serving in the army or navy. If the United States and her insular possessions ever made such an effort, taking the present population as 112,000,000 the president would have at his disposal no less than 18,666,666 men.

This is probably more men than Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey together have in the field today.

In a serious emergency nearly 18,000,000 men are available for military service in the United States, according to an estimate made by the executive committee of the committee on national defense appointed by Mayor Mitchel of New York. There are now physically fit for service in the field, it was 10,535,940 men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years.

Upon the basis of actual experience of other countries where universal military service prevails, the committee has calculated that out of 900,000 men annually reach military age in the United States, 90,000 are fit for military service, according to the French standard of 1910, and 459,000, according to the German standard of that year.

The committee, in estimating the nation's resources in men between eighteen and forty-five years available for military service after deductions for "morbidity," physical defects, places the number at 4,778,050.

Our Naval Strength
According to the latest records the American navy totals 1,097,

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On and after April 12 we will close our business at 12 o'clock (noon) on Saturdays.
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I have found less than \$100. Owner may have same by describing money and paying for this ad. Leo Gardner at Gulf Refining Company. 26-1f

The Reporter inadvertently picked Dr. C. L. Monk up with his splendid equipment and moved him out of his neat comfortable offices in the J. A. J. Bradford building and set him down in the Bradford-Crane building half a block away. We heartily apologize to the good doctor for this ruthless act, and today we make amends honorable by moving him back into his cozy quarters.

502 tons displacement, taking into account both ships built and building.

This tonnage compares with the following for the great powers on July 1, 1914, or about three years ago:

Great Britain, 2,713,756; Germany, 1,204,640; France, 899,915; Japan, 209,916; Russia, 701,253; Italy, 497,815; and Austria-Hungary, 372,008.

In the period since then these great powers, all at war, have increased their navies by giant strides. They naturally have kept their naval developments secret, but it is known, for instance, that in the first two years of the war Great Britain launched a new navy fully equal in size to the whole of the United States sea fighting forces.

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I had a Doctor from Omaha to see me last December, and he said that I would have to have an operation sooner or later as it was my gall duct that was the trouble. I came very near "kickingoff" in December. It was at this time that I commenced using your water, and it has been several years since I have felt as well as I do now.
I also gave a Mr. Brant a bottle to try for his stomach. He has had stomach trouble for several years, and is feeling better since taking one bottle. He came back after another Saturday.
Trusting that you will give this order your prompt attention, I am,
Yours truly,
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PERSONALS

Superintendent Bright is in Austin.

H. T. Whitten is in Dallas on business.

Mrs. Tom Morris and two children are home from Plainview.

Attorney Jim Grisham is in Abilene on business.

J. M. Kitchen of the Nolan community spent last night in town.

Chief of Police Snow is here from San Angelo today.

J. R. Earnes of Comanche is here on business today.

City Marshal Johnson has an attack of La Grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trammell have a fine baby boy born Sunday morning.

The Wells Fargo Co. shipped out two cars of eggs Saturday night to Chicago and Detroit.

Mr. Sublett, who has been sick for some time, is reported not doing at all well.

Miss Avon Hick of Snyder was a week end visitor to town, returning last night.

Mrs. J. M. Banister and children motored over Saturday to spend Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. L. M. Devins of Snyder came over on a visit to her father, J. D. Whitworth and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elward Dupree and family of Colorado City visited relatives in the city Sunday.

J. D. Wilson of Miles is here attending the Sunday school Institute.

J. A. Hickey of Hamlin is here for the week to attend the Sunday School Institute.

Watch for opening of Style Shop

The City is doing some substantial work in improving the pavement on West Third Street.

Justice Bryant is holding an examining trial in a bootlegging case this afternoon.

A new fresh shipment of candy arrived today from Chicago. Better try it.—The Futch 5 and 10 Cent Store.

J. H. Jenkins has returned home from Quanah where he has been for several weeks assisting in the Chas. L. Gass store at that place.

J. F. Davis and wife who have been visiting their son in Roby for a few months have returned to their home.

Rev. J. C. Moore and Rev. Geo. B. Allison are home from Mulberry Canyon where they preached Sunday.

J. McAllister Stephenson, Jr., returned Sunday on the Santa Fe from a months visit to the leading cities of the East, north and west.

Reports from Mineral Wells state that Mr. Thos. Trammell stood the trip there Saturday well and is also feeling better since reaching there.

Manager Frank A. White of the West Texas Electric Company has returned from a visit to Palestine.

Rev. William Groom, pastor of the First Baptist church at Haskell, came in this morning to attend the Sunday School Institute.

Davis Cash Grocery has a new auto delivery that attracts considerable attention as Bill spins the corners with it.

Jim Thornhill of San Angelo spent the night in town on his return from El Paso where he had been to see his son who had been quite sick with pneumonia.

M. A. Grisham of Toyah, came over and spent Sunday with his brothers, R. N. and J. S. Grisham returning last night.

Mrs. McDuffin, of San Antonio, came in yesterday to see her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Ellis, who has been sick for the past two weeks.

Two jitneys ran together near Cottonwood School house Sunday afternoon and tore up the machines considerably, but did but little injury to the occupants of the vehicles.

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A stupendous drama with a noted war background

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WEATHER REPORT

The weather man says rain and colder weather for tonight and Tuesday.

Mack Jones suffered a good deal last night with his eye, which has troubled him so long. Last Saturday it was deemed advisable to have the diseased ball removed. The operation was entirely successful and Mr. Jones is resting well this morning and expects to be out in a few days.

J. W. Mingus, W. H. Brashear and Walter Woodall left this morning for a business trip over the Plains country. They traveled in an automobile and expect to have a pleasant outing.

Mrs. A. L. Reynolds is entertaining the ladies of the First Presbyterian church for their Bible study

If a Home you wish to buy Something nice to please the eye, And to make your Wife a cozy little Nest.

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W. H. Schmidt and C. V. Price, prominent financiers of Chicago, have returned home after a prospecting visit to Nolan county. They were very much impressed with everything here.

Read it first in the Reporter.

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