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PLANS FOR LOOP BEING DISCUSSED

Sam Crowther Submits Proposed Plan Of Operation for West Texas League Coming Season.

INTERESTED TOWNS GET PLANS

West Texas League Head Has Worked Out Comprehensive And Detailed Budget—Price Is Lowered.

SAN ANGELO, Feb. 1.—A new plan for the operation of the West Texas League in 1923 based upon a playing season of 100 games and a more compact circuit with lessened expense, is being submitted by President Sam Crowther of this city to thirteen towns. They are: Ranger, Stamford, Abilene, Lubbock, Sweetwater and San Angelo, franchise holders and Ballinger, Coleman, Cisco, Eastland, Breckenridge, Slaton and Plainview.

A meeting to perfect organization will be called soon as opinions on the proposal, with suggestions for any changes, that might prove beneficial, are received. This session, it is expected, will be held not later than February 10 or 11.

Briefly, the plan proposes that the playing season be shortened from 140 to 100 games, opening May 15 and closing August 22, with a double header July 4; that the salary limit remain at \$1,500 per club and the player limit at twelve men both exclusive of the manager, as decided upon at the annual meeting in Sweetwater, and that visiting clubs be guaranteed \$50 daily and that the League receive \$15 for each game played to furnish operating expenses. The \$15 daily guarantee to the League would supplant the payment of 10 per cent of the gross receipts and would provide a fund of \$1,350, ample to insure expenses.

The total expenses of maintaining a team in a six-club league under the plan would be as follows: training season expense \$1,000; uniforms and equipment, \$500; players' salaries \$5,000; manager's salary \$1,250; secretary and ground-keepers salaries \$1,000; guarantee to visiting clubs \$3,000; guarantee to league \$750; all other expenses, baseballs, etc., \$750; total \$14,250. Funds would be obtained from the following sources: 300 season tickets at \$30 each, less tax \$8,100; 100 laddies season tickets at \$1.50 each, less tax \$1,500; grand stand boxes and fence advertising \$500; opening day receipts \$1,500; concessions at park, \$1,000; total \$12,100.

This would leave a difference of \$2,150 between the estimated receipts and expenses, to meet which an average gate of only \$43 for each of the 80 games at home, above season tickets, would be required. The towns already holding franchises would not have the full estimated expense of \$500 for uniforms and equipment and salaries for the manager, secretary and ground-keeper and the item for "all other expenses" might be further reduced.

League headquarters has suggested that one week preferably not later than the second week in February, be designated in each town as "Baseball Week" and that a simultaneous campaign be staged to sell season tickets and otherwise raise funds. The \$30 season tickets might be sold in three payments: \$10 down and \$10 a month for three months, thus providing each club with \$9,100 before play starts, plus revenue from grand stand boxes and fence advertising.

President Crowther states that he believes the plan is more in accordance with the size of the towns in West Texas, pointing out that the League in the past has set too high a mark. Ordinarily it has required around \$20,000 to operate a club through a season of 140 games and the difference between this total and the estimated expense of \$14,250 for a 100 game season represents an average of about what most of the clubs lost in 1922.

It is far better, in President Crowther's opinion, to shorten the playing season to 100 games, reduce the daily guarantee to visiting clubs and budget the league's expenses—something that has never been done before—than to have the league dissolve and the sport die. Many of the clubs in the league last year carry obligations which can be met only by their continuance in organized baseball and under the plan, as outlined, it is believed that both the old towns and the new ones can more than break even.

The proposed plan from league headquarters is being addressed to chambers of commerce or baseball men in the thirteen towns mentioned.

LUBBOCK, Feb. 1.—A meeting has been called by Sled Allen of Lubbock to be held at Plainview Feb. 4 for the purpose of organizing a contemplated six-club Panhandle League of Class D baseball, composed of towns of West Texas and New Mexico. Roswell and Clovis, N. M. and Slaton, Plainview, Amarillo and Lubbock, Texas, are expected to send representatives to the meeting.

LAUTMAN



Mortimer Lautman, Pittsburgh department store executive, for whose arrest a general police alarm has been broadcasted, Lautman vanished from New York with \$75,000 in cash.

MINE EXPLODES

Two Hundred Miners Die In Silesian Mine Disaster—Greatest In German History—600 Workers Escape.

By The United Press.
BERLIN, Feb. 1.—A total of 116 bodies have been recovered from the Heinitz mine at Beuthen, Silesia, and at least 60 more are dead inside the burning shaft.

TO HAVE DAILY PAPER.

R. C. Thomas to Publish at Stamford In Next Few Weeks.

Special To The Reporter.
STAMFORD Feb. 1.—Announcement has been made by R. C. Thomas that he would install a daily newspaper in Stamford within the next six weeks. The paper will be issued seven days a week. Mr. Thomas has been engaged in the job printing trade here for the last several months.

Among the new equipment already ordered is a linotype machine. The name of the new publication has not been determined.

BUYS THE NOLAN

H. L. Cress of Colorado Returns to Sweetwater—Details of Transfer Being Worked Out.

H. L. Cress took possession of the Nolan Hotel Thursday, pending the final arrangements of the deal that is practically closed for its transfer to him from the former owner, V. B. Thomas.

Mr. Cress formerly owned the Pullman Hotel here, selling his interest some years ago. He then purchased a restaurant at Colorado City which he still retains.

COLORADO BUILDING

Break Ground For Green Building—To Extend Water.

COLORADO, Feb. 1.—Dirt for the Green-Johnson building, on South Walnut near the T. & P. passenger station front, was broken Tuesday. The building to be of brick and re-enforced concrete construction, is to be an office building and the parlors of J. H. Greene, undertaker.

Acceptance of the sewer system and water extensions from the contractors Weeks and Hightower of Arlington was announced by the city commission Tuesday. The two projects had been under construction for several months. Both the sewer plant and extensions to the water mains are municipally owned and were financed by bond issues, voted last year. The two plants cover every part of the city. Heretofore, South Colorado has had no fire protection because the large water mains were not extended across the Colorado river, into that section of the city under the old contract.

HEAVIER STEEL IS NOW BEING PUT IN

Texas & Pacific Grading Has Been Completed To Sweetwater—Rail Gang Is Near Tye.

GOING ON WEST WITH WORK

Heavier Rails Strung Right-Of-Way—Contract Will Be Let For Grading To Colorado—To Cut Hill.

R. L. Gaines, engineer in general charge of the track improvement program of the Texas & Pacific Railway with headquarters at Dallas arrived in Sweetwater this morning and was met here by F. W. Battle, general roadmaster and Pete Johnson roadmaster from Big Spring.

Accompanied by other engineers the party is engaged in inspecting the track work already being done and the work to be done further west.

The grading of the roadbed has been finished as far as Sweetwater and the rail gang, laying heavier steel, has proceeded as far as Tye. The grading was let by contract and the contract has been completed.

Contract for the grading west of Sweetwater has not been let yet. Bids for the 21 odd miles beginning at the top of the hill west of Sweetwater on to Colorado have been submitted however and it is expected that this grading contract will be let in a short time. The heavy grade west of Sweetwater will be reduced somewhat. This, and the widening of the dump, however, will require some steam shovel work.

The new heavier rails have been strung along the right of way west to Colorado already.

Travelers have noted the improvement in the smoother riding afforded by the grading and heavier steel and when all the line is completed west as doubtless it will be, a much faster schedule can be maintained.

AFTER ARGUMENTS.

Rev. Doak Goes to Dallas for Debate Material First Hand.

Rev. D. B. Doak has gone to Dallas and other East Texas points in search of weighty arguments with which to bolster up his side of the forthcoming debate on the question of: "Resolved: That the State of Texas Should Be Divided Into Two States, East Texas and West Texas."

Of course, Rev. Doak will deny that he went east for any such purpose. He is going to say that he went on personal affairs, or business, connected with the Methodist church or to sample the Dallas brand of fried chicken, but it is nevertheless a well known fact that a personal investigation of conditions in East Texas as they actually exist is what he went for, and said facts will be heaved very forcefully at his opponents tomorrow, Friday, night at the High School auditorium, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

Said opponents, however, are also laying in a supply of very heavy ammunition and a battle royal is anticipated.

The list of judges was printed in Sunday's paper with a supplemental list Tuesday, all of whom are expected to be present to render the verdict.

A record-breaking crowd is expected to hear this much discussed question thoroughly and convincingly thrashed to a frazzel.

You'd better step out to the school house little early if you want a good seat.

Miss Mae Snell entertained the 1922 Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon. There were three tables in play. A two course luncheon was served by the hostess. Those present included Miss Mary Douthett, Mrs. Neuhause, Mrs. Joe Boethe, Mrs. John Hubbard, Mrs. John Perry, Mrs. J. N. Dulaney, Mrs. A. J. Wimberly, Mrs. L. B. Allen, Mrs. Dalton Moore, Mrs. Fred Follenbach, Mrs. R. S. Calvert, Mrs. Guy Morris, Mrs. J. M. Charlton, Mrs. Lang Aycock.

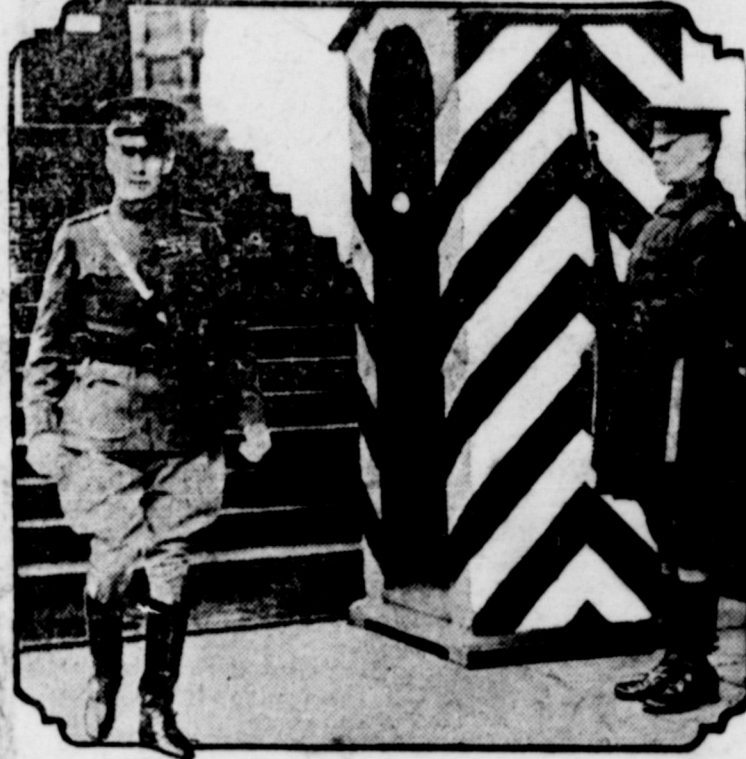
MURDER CHARGES

Waco Negro Now Charged With Three Murders—Complaint Filed Killing W. P. Driskill, Cotton Man.

By The United Press.
WACO, Feb. 1.—Roy Mitchell, the mulatto negro, and alleged murder fiend, was today charged with another of the mysterious slayings which have stirred Waco the past year.

Formal complaints charging him with the killing of W. P. Driskill, a prominent cotton man, last May, were filed in the District Court here. Mitchell has already been charged with the murder of Grady Skipworth, 19 years of age, who was murdered and thrown over Lovers' Leap November 20 and also with the slaying of Mrs. Ethel Denecamp and her companion, W. E. Holt, on Springfield road five miles from Waco on the night of January 19.

Rhine Commander Bids Farewell



Maj. Gen. Allen, commander of the American troops on the Rhine is seen here receiving the last salute from the men who are returning in America.

THE COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK COTTON.

	Op'ng	High	Low	Close	Today	Yesterday
Mar.	27.52	27.57	26.93	27.27	27.39	27.39
May	27.71	27.78	27.22	27.52	27.52	27.52

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

	Op'ng	High	Low	Close	Today	Yesterday
Mar.	27.50	27.30	26.72	27.08	27.07	27.07
May	27.51	27.32	26.75	27.06	27.08	27.08

SPOT COTTON, MIDDLING BASIS.

	Close	Yesterday
New York	27.40	27.50
New Orleans	27.62	28.00
Dallas	26.50	26.60
Houston	27.50	27.50
Galveston	27.50	27.60
Sweetwater	26.50	26.60

CHICAGO GRAIN.

	Close	Yesterday
WHEAT:—		
May	1.18	1.17
July	1.13	1.12
CORN:—		
July	.74	.73
July	.74	.73
OATS:—		
July	.45	.44
July	.43	.42

BURIED IN MONEY

Last Minute Rush to Pay Taxes Deluges City And County Tax Officials—1112 City Poll Taxes.

County Tax Collector Miss Willie Elliott and Simon O'Keefe and City Tax Collector W. H. Bartlett with the aid of Water Commissioner Musgrove are trying to dig their way out from under the deluge of checks and currency used in last minute payment of taxes. Both offices were kept open until midnight Wednesday, the last day in order to accommodate the delinquents and final figures will not be available for several days on the total taxes paid.

City poll taxes issued numbered 1,112 which with 37 exemptions amount to a total of 1149 as compared with 1068 last year. Other city tax figures will not be available until the end of the week or possibly Monday, Mr. Bartlett stated Thursday.

A stack of mail of large proportions was being waded through at the county tax office. In the rush of waiting on those who appeared to pay taxes personally, the mail was disregarded until after the last day. Many poll taxes were of course included and the total figures on County poll taxes will not be available until Saturday.

SIGNALMEN WIN

Railroad Signalmen Granted 8 Hour Day By Rail Labor Board.

By The United Press.
CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Over 15,000 railroad signalmen were placed on an eight hour basis today by the United States rail labor board.

The restoration of the eight hour day resulted from negotiations started when the signalmen refused to join the shopmen in their strike last year. The men will receive time and one half for overtime. Previously they did not receive overtime until after the 10th hour.

L. M. C. CLUB

The L. M. C. Girls' Club enjoyed a hike Sunday, taking their lunches with them and picnicking at the Santa Fe Lake. The girls included were Leta Singleton, Pauline Parker, Ina Lee Ely, Gaylon Orr, Ulns Newman, Ailene McDaniel, Dorothy Rives and Lucille McElrath.

AWARD CONTRACT FOR NEW SCHOOL

J. H. Myer of Sweetwater is Low Bidder With \$58,750—Was \$2,750 Under Highest Bid.

WILL START WORK IMMEDIATELY

Contract Specifies All Work Must Be Completed On Or Before September 1—Plumbing Not Included.

John H. Myers of Sweetwater was awarded the contract for the construction of the new East Ward school building and the remodeling of the South and West Ward schools at a special meeting of the school board Wednesday night.

The bid submitted by Mr. Myer was \$58,750 for the general contract for the three buildings, exclusive of plumbing and heating. Contracts for these two items will be awarded separately, within a week or ten days, probably D. A. Clark, secretary of the board stated Thursday.

Other bids considered by the board included one from E. W. Britton of Alton, Okla., for \$61,485; James T. Taylor of Fort Worth for \$61,500, and one from A. W. Balfanz of Cisco for \$59,598. Mr. Myer's bid was \$848 lower than the next highest bidder and \$2,750 lower than the highest bidder.

The contract included all available salvage from the old East Ward school building. Work of tearing down the old structure will begin immediately. Active construction to begin as early as possible. Work on the South and West Ward schools will begin as soon as school is dismissed for the summer vacation.

The contract specifies that all work must be completed by September 1 or earlier.

TODAY'S RADIO WEATHER.

By Sweetwater Vulcanizing Co.

Fort Worth tonight and Friday rain and colder. Light to moderate variable winds tonight and Friday.

West Texas tonight and Friday unsettled with probable rain except snow in the Panhandle. Colder tonight except extreme southeast portion. Cold wave in Panhandle with temperature about 14 degrees. Colder in south portion Friday.

Shippers Forecast—Guard against 20 degrees in extreme north portion of state by Friday morning.

General Weather Conditions—High pressure prevails over the North Rockies accompanied by low temperatures, with 20 degrees below zero in north Wyoming. Low pressure continues over the Southwest causing scattered showers over the west and over the Plains states.

Texas reports cloudy weather and moderate temperatures. Barometric reading at 7 o'clock this morning was 29.244 inches.

The coldest place on record in the United States last night was at Sheridan, Wyoming, which was 20 degrees below zero.

The lowest temperature at Fort Worth last night was 61 degrees. The degrees.

KILLED IN EGYPT.

Tourist Murdered in Valley of Kings Near Tomb of Pharaohs.

LUXOR, Egypt, Feb. 1.—Travers Allen, of Montreal, who was visiting the Valley of Kings where the tomb of Pharaoh Tutankhamen is being opened, was murdered and robbed just outside of Luxor Tuesday night, authorities disclosed today.

It is believed that he fell a victim to thieves or thugs from Cairo or Alexandria, who were attracted here by numerous wealthy tourists.

FLYING RECORD IS NOW IN DANGER

America's Premier Aviators Are Preparing to Smash World's Endurance Record for Flying.

TO TRY COAST TO COAST FLIGHT

Lieutenants McReady and Kelly Will Hop Off Some Time Next Month—Will Use Same Plane as Before.

DAYTON, O., Feb. 1.—America's premier aviators are preparing to smash the world's endurance record for flying.

This month, weather conditions permitting, Lieut. John A. MacReady and Oakley Kelly will mount the T-2 in an authorized attempt to out-do their record in 35 hours, 18 minutes and fifteen seconds established in a flight over San Diego, Calif., last fall.

The California record is not recognized as official American Aeronautical Association representatives were not present to observe and time the flight.

The trial next month will have the full authorization of the Army Air Service and official observers will be on hand, according to an announcement from McCook Field here.

During the flight, the wings of the T-2, the same plane in which the former endurance trial was made will carry electric lights to distinguish it from any other plane that might be flying at night.

MacReady and Kelly will wear electrically warmed flying togs. They will alternate at the stick.

Thirty-four hours is the recognized world's endurance record, held by a French pilot.

"We intend to take along enough grub to last us longer than 34 hours," Lieut. MacReady said. "Sandwiches and hot coffee, nothing fancy."

Shortly after their endurance flight over San Diego, MacReady and Kelly made the memorable flight from San Diego to Indianapolis in 27 hours and three minutes. It was an unsuccessful attempt at a non-stop trans-continental record.

The T-2 also was used in that trip, which ended with engine trouble.

The flight was unprecedented for harrowing experiences in the air.

Both pilots are determined, they said, to "take another crack at that coast to coast thing."

Beside his other distinctions, MacReady also is the holder of the world altitude record—42,500 feet—attained two years ago.

Officials at the field said the projected flight probably will be started unannounced, because of the uncertain weather conditions.

RETURNS; IS DEAD

Boy Gone From Home 6 Months—Dead Body Thrown in Parents Front Yard This Morning at 5 o'Clock.

By The United Press.
OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 1.—Gone from home more than a half a year, Laverne Horner, 24 years of age, returned today—dead.

The boy was supposed to have been working in St. Joseph, Missouri, according to members of his family, when early today his murdered body was found in the yard at the home of his parents here.

The boy had been dead at least two days, according to the undertakers who examined the body.

A bullet wound through the body indicated that death had been sudden. It had penetrated the abdomen.

The body was thrown from an automobile which stopped in front of the Horner home at 5 o'clock this morning.

PEARLS STOLEN

Thief Gets Away With \$250,000 Worth Of Pearls at Miami, Fla.

By The United Press.
MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 1.—A state wide search was instituted today by police for a peddler seen around the palatial home of David G. Joyce, a Chicago millionaire, shortly before the theft of \$250,000 in jewels late Tuesday.

The theft was not discovered until last night when Mrs. Joyce found two strings of large pearls and several diamond rings and other jewelry missing.

BOND REQUIRED

Bill Requiring Newspapers To File Bond on Libel Suits Favored

By The United Press.
AUSTIN, Feb. 1.—The House Committee on State Affairs reported favorably today the Jacks bill, requiring requiring newspapers and other publications not owning property to an assessed valuation of \$10,000 to furnish bond to meet libel suit judgment.

The bill was amended in committee to exempt publications with a circulation under 5,000 daily or weekly so as to exclude country newspapers.

Miss Mattie Elliott of Arlington is visiting her brother Joe Elliott at Maryneal.

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The Only God—Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.—Deuteronomy 6: 4.

ROADS

The proposal that in order to avail itself of the Federal road aid Texas vote upon itself means to meet the Federal appropriation carries with it a feature that is new to Texas. That is, the provision that the State take over the building and maintenance of the designated highways and the corollary, that where counties have built sections of these designated highways, the State reimburse them one way or another for their outlay, that they may have the money available for the construction of lateral roads. The proposal, it seems, is not new, but the plan is one followed in several other states which have taken over the highways subsequent to construction of parts of them by smaller units. In Missouri, for instance, as one learns from an editorial in the Dallas News, the plan was for the state not to repay in cash, but to construct lateral roads in the counties to the extent of their contribution to the highways. The matter is of particular concern here in Denton County—and the same conditions hold true in practically all our neighboring counties which have voted road bonds—for of the nearly \$1,300,000 spent and to be spent in the four Denton county road districts, probably \$1,000,000, certainly as much as half of \$300,000, went for constructing designated State highways. Money expended on the highways deprived the county of the lateral road system it was hoped to build. There is room in Denton County for the expenditure of \$900,000 on lateral roads, and it would give us one of the most complete county systems in the state, for it would take care of practically every major lateral road in the county. The proposal likely will be submitted to vote of the people some time this year. It deserves the real consideration of all looking at it from the standpoint of a coherent and connected system of State highways—Denton Record.

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE PALACE THEATRE TODAY.

"The Black Panther's Cub," which was shown at the Palace Theatre yesterday and is showing again there to-

Duke of York and Fiancee



This is the latest photograph of the Duke of York and his fiancee, Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon. This posed photograph has the duke's sanction and approval.

day, is remarkable for many things; for its brilliant and lovable star, Florence Reed, for its truly ideal casting, for its well-nigh perfect direction, for the nicety of detail given it by the producer, and for the forcefulness with which its theme has been presented. The story is that of a woman known as "The Black Panther of Paris," owner of a luxurious gambling house, to which the wealth and fashion of Paris flock, until one day the police compel her to close her doors. She has a lady daughter whom she gives into the care of the Earl of Mansley, an old admirer. The Earl believes that environment is a greater factor than heredity in the forming of character, and brings up his foster-daughter accordingly. The Earl dies, and to save his good name she is persuaded into posing as "The Black Panther," returned to the haunt of her former triumphs. She does so, with the understanding that she is through as soon as the necessary sum has been obtained. The Earl's theory is proved to be sound, for "The Black Panther's Cub" remains true to the clean environment she has been reared in, and marries the man of her choice.

Larry Semon and his bunch of mirth makers is shown in addition to the big feature, and there is enough hearty laughs presented to fill a dozen ordinary comedies. "The Agent" is the title of the comedy and if you are not in condition to laugh—well better see it anyway.

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AT THE QUEEN THEATER TODAY.

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peared before the camera. After a long succession of cream-puff heroes, Jack's 210 lbs. of human flesh comes as a positive relief.

To see Jack racing on his pony out across the rocky prairie and into the mountains over the rough and rocky trails is a thrill in itself, for it seems impossible for a human being to walk in these paths, but he pushes on, jumping over rocks that seemingly would mean death for any other person, but he makes the trip without a "spill." Jack in trying to give aid to a beautiful girl in a gold claim, is given a very cool reception by her, she believing Jack responsible for the crooked things that had been done against her and her partner. He later demonstrates to her that he is her friend and the ones pretending to be her friend were worthless crooks and man-killers. The men playing the crooked end of the deal look as though they really mean it and present a tough look throughout the picture.

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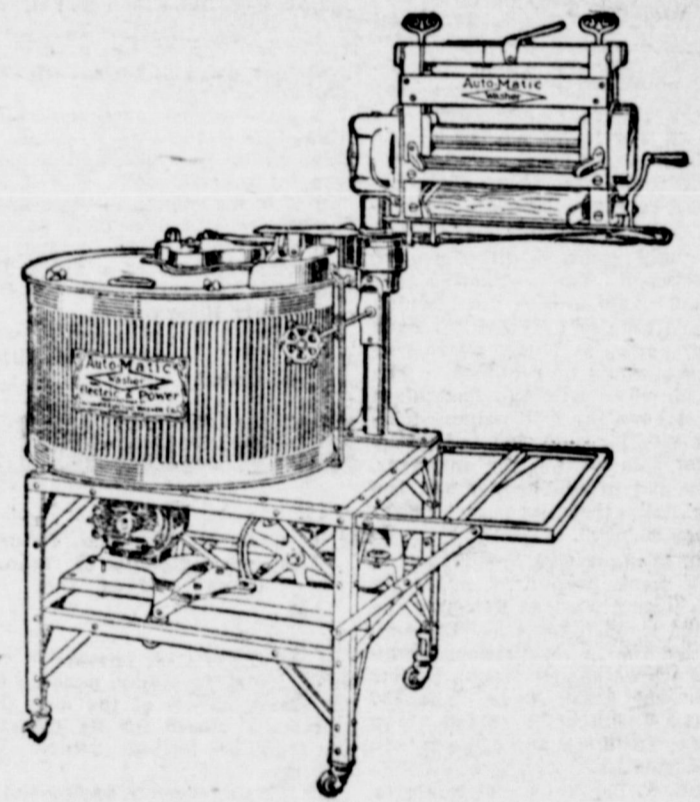
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FOR SALE—A number of fine young cockerels of the Thompson strain of the Imperial Ringlets. Pen headed by \$35.00 rooster from Thompson's best. Will go at a bargain to make room for fall stock. Address L. C. Vinson, Sweetwater, Tex. Box 272. 189-14c
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 Officers Dress Shoe \$4.00. Russell Shoes \$4.00. Postage paid to any address, write for price list of Army goods and other dependables merchandise. Government Supply Co., 208 East Commerce St., San Antonio, Texas. Wholesale and Retail. 313-104dp
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NOTICE.
 Seed wheat, barley and rye at the Flour Mill. Phone 689. 258-14c

WANTED—3 energetic people to organizing work, for strong company that stands second to none. These positions will be permanent and remunerative to parties wanting to work in Sweetwater and surrounding territory. See or write J. T. Browning, District Manager, Phone 378, Sweetwater, Texas. 312-41c

WANTED—Clean starched cotton rags at the Reporter Office.

BOARD AND ROOM—For gentlemen. I will open up my boarding house February 1st. For further information, call Mrs. G. B. Britain, phone 549 or apply at 306 N. E. 3rd St. 309-14dp

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NOTICE—J. T. Browning will have special excursion Low rates running next Saturday to Southwest Texas. Anyone interested in seeing the California of Texas will do well to get in touch with J. T. Browning. Phone 378. 312-41c

FOR SALE—Close in lots on paved street. Terms. T. Vard Woodruff, owner. 194-14c

WANTED—Live wire to represent the San Jacinto Life Insurance Company. Liberal commission. Address W. L. Piller, 358 Sayles Blvd. Abilene, Texas. 311-21dp

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TO TRADE—A nice 4-room cottage to trade, will take good team and wagon as first payment. Easy terms on balance. J. T. Browning. Phone 378. 312-41c

The High School Parent-Teachers Association meets at 3 o'clock Thursday. The faculty will render a program. Everyone is cordially invited.

WEST TEXAS NOTES.

Contract Let.—Contract was let Saturday for the I. O. O. F. Hall. A portion of the material for this building is now rolling towards Slaton. This building will be two stories, with two rooms 25 by 90 on the ground floor, lodge room and five office rooms above.—Slatonite.

Santa Fe Improves.—Quite a force of men are now employed making improvements to the freight office of the Santa Fe, made necessary by the ever increasing volume of freight coming into Slaton and also transferring here for other points. The car loads of inbound shipments to Slaton for the present month will be in excess of 175, an eight hundred per cent increase over the same month in 1921.—Slatonite.

Poultry Show Big Success.—The Poultry show held in Rotan Tuesday and Wednesday was a great success from every angle. There were forty different parties making entries and the quality of birds entered was a revelation to many people. Many of the birds shown here would show well in biggest shows in the state. It was proved that there are many chickens of the purest and best strains in this country and it showed further that there is a wholesome and lively interest in the poultry industry in this section.—Rotan Advance.

To Build New Church.—The congregation of the Baird Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has determined to build a new modern designed brick church building, to take the place of the old wooden structure, that has been in use for devotional purposes for thirty-eight years.—Baird Star.

House Burns.—Early Sunday morning, fire was discovered in the top of the Cyfert residence in the east part of town. The Fire Department responded but the house was too far gone to be saved. Only a few household goods were saved.—Hamlin Herald.

Double Wedding.—A double marriage ceremony was performed at the court house in Abilene Friday afternoon by Judge P. B. Ford. The contracting parties were Clay Causaux and Miss Vaneta McGowan, and H. H. McRee and Miss Aletha McGowan, the brides being twin sisters.

These are popular young people of the Trent community and the Mail joins their host of friends in wishing them a joyous journey along life's pathway.—Merkel Mail.

Cotton Ginned At Roscoe.—A total of 6,681 bales of cotton were ginned in Roscoe last season. The last cotton of the season was ginned last Friday.

This year's crop amounted to about 1,390 bales more than last year's crop notwithstanding the fact that the yield per acre this year was not as great as that of last year.

If a good crop is made here another year there is likely to be something like 10,000 bales ginned here. This, of course, takes into consideration amount of seed being broken this winter.

Ranch Barn Covers One Acre.—D. E. Hughes has installed an up-to-date barn on one of his ranches in Irion county. It covers an acre of ground. The main part of the barn contains thirty stalls 10x16 feet each. There are sheds on the north and south side. The north alone will shelter 2,000 head of sheep. Overhead is floor space with enough capacity to take care of 6,000 bales of hay and several thousand tons of cake and cotton seed.—Mertzon Star.

School Campus Set With Trees.—The Parent-Teachers' Association is responsible for the 65 nice shade trees being set out on the campus of the school last week.—Santa Anna News.

Water Heater Works Havoc.—Explosion of the water heater wrought havoc at the Jones Barber Shop in addition to alarming the citizenship many thinking the Brady National bank vault had been blown by burglars. The heater was completely demolished parts of iron being blown into the walls of the building, testing the strength of the steel lath, which prevented the iron from going clear through. One heavy piece cut nearly through a 2x6 studding; another knocked a gap in the ceiling over the heater, and still another piece of the stove was blown about fifty feet, knocking holes in the wall about midway towards the front of the building.—Brady Standard.

BARBERSHOP CHANGES

Tom Morris Is New Proprietor of Hotel Wright Barbershop.

Mr. Morris needs no introduction to the people of Sweetwater. He has many friends and a man who appreciates friendship. He is in a position to offer to Sweetwater one of the best barbershops in West Texas with full electrical equipment, bath connections individual lavatories and everything sanitary. In fact this shop is up to date in every respect. You can't go wrong by giving it your support.

On leaving Sweetwater I want to thank those who have given me their support and ask that you do as well by Mr. Morris as you have by me. Hoping some day to return to Sweetwater from which other business now takes me. Bart Wilkinson, Hotel Wright Barbershop.—Adv. 311-31.

WANTED—A white or colored woman or girl to do the housework. For particulars apply at once in person at No. 707 N W 7th Street. 313-21dp

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Chuck Rib Roast, Beef or Veal, pound	17c
Brisket Roast, Beef or Veal, pound	15c
Stew Meat, Beef or Veal, pound	12 1-2c
Pork, Chops or Steak, pound	25c
Pork Roast, pound	25c
Pork Sausage, (Pure) Pound	25c
Spare Ribs, pound	25c
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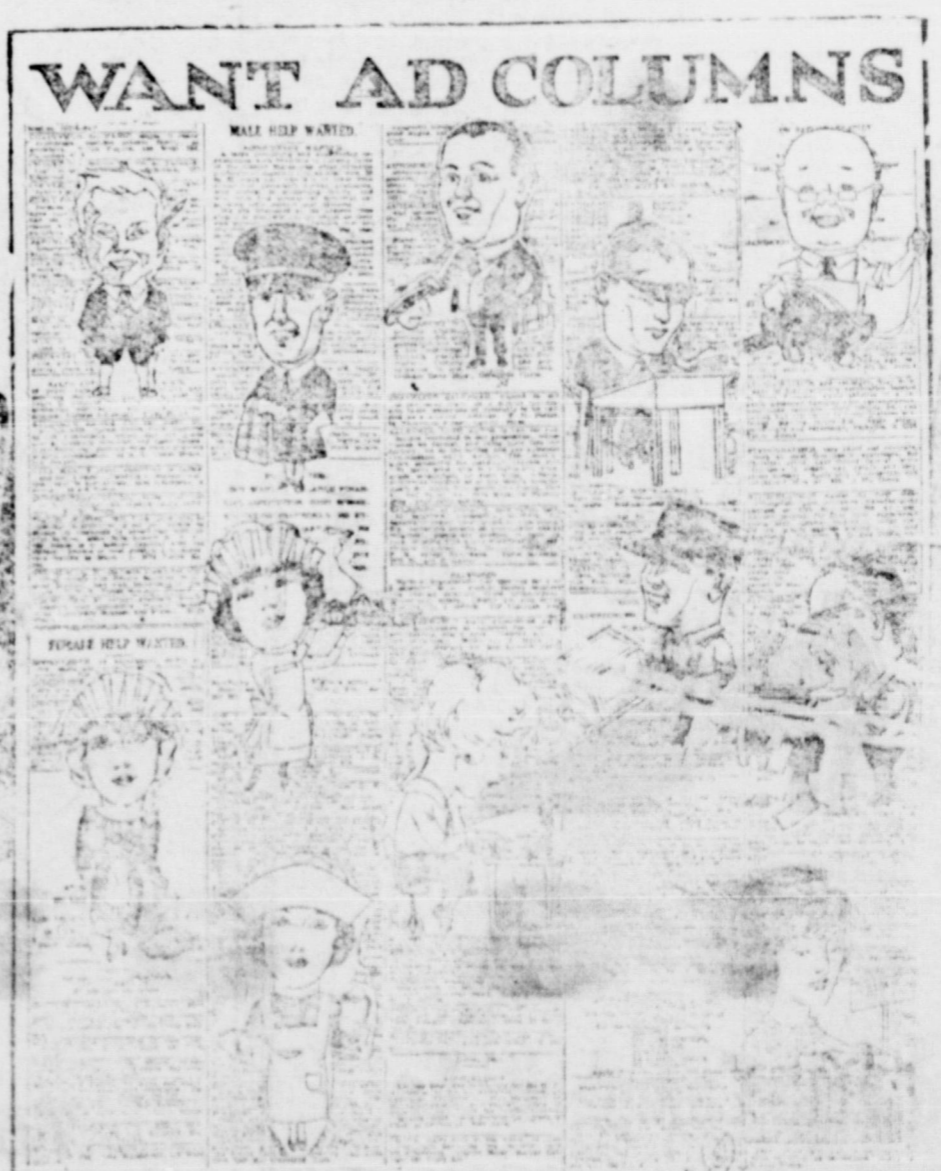
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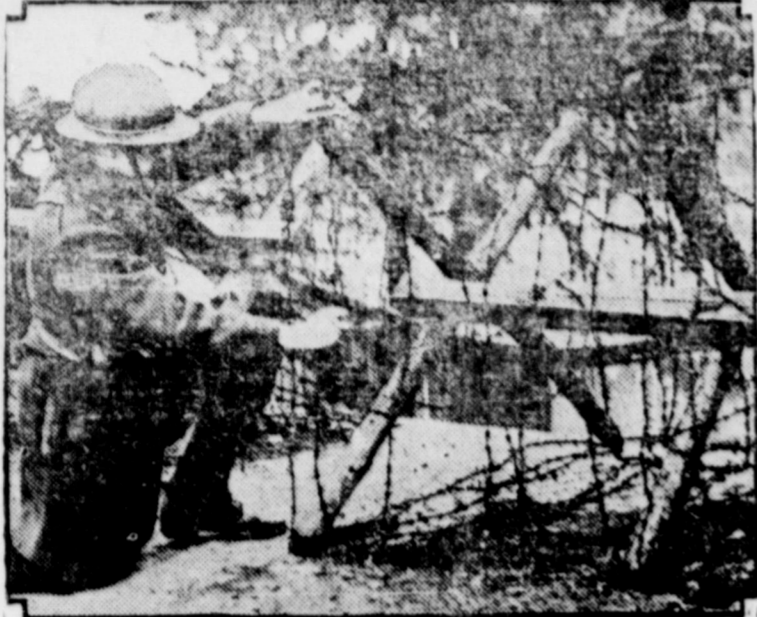
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This photo of the French advance into the Ruhr shows a French infantryman at work on barbed-wire entanglements outside the Essen encampment.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. B. Haddox of Roscoe visited Sweetwater friends Thursday.

Tidwell-Campbell Co. "Where the Price Is Right." 285ffc.

Miss Mamie Wilkins of Maryneal is visiting friends in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Ed Mays is reported seriously ill with pneumonia.

"Where The Price Is Right." Tidwell-Campbell Co. 285ffc.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Simmons are spending Thursday in Abilene.

C. B. Bryant of White Light is visiting his daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Fortner.

Mrs. Tom Taylor of Orient Heights is visiting her mother Mrs. L. Loftin who lives near San Angelo.

Mrs. J. S. Hamilton and children of Gorman are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hightower.

First fresh Strawberries to be shipped west of Fort Worth this season, says the express people came to be Robertson Grocery Saturday. Also a new shipment this morning, of every other fruit and vegetable on the market. Phone the Robertsons Grocery for high class staples and fresh things at reasonable prices. Phone 247 or 268.

Linton Deal left Thursday for Washington, D. C. after several weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pope Deal.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Douthitt have returned from Fort Worth where Mr. Douthitt has been ill.

Elmer Long passed through Sweetwater to his home in Abilene enroute from his Jordan county ranch.

M. R. Tarrant, Santa Fe roadmaster, from Brownwood, spent Thursday in Sweetwater.

Mrs. J. P. Stewart who underwent an operation last week is reported improving. Drs. Fortner and Rosenbrough proving. Drs. Fortner and Rosenbrough performed the operation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Davis have come back to Sweetwater to make their home after spending the past several months at Lubbock. Mr. Davis is a cotton buyer.

TISSUE PAPER DRESS
CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—A tissue paper dress worn by Mrs. Jessie Dunn at a masquerade and which was pulled to pieces by the boys, figures in the testimony of James J. Dunn, who is contesting his wife's divorce action.

According to Dunn's testimony his wife told him she had lots of fun at the ball. "The boys began pulling off pieces until nothing was left but just me," Mrs. Dunn is quoted as saying.



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THE BENTON CASE AND B. B.'S WATCHDOGS.
By Henry L. Farrell.
(United Press Sports Editor.)

By The United Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Every time anything like the present Rube Benton case comes to light, the mistakes made in the days before Commissioner Landis took charge of baseball are made more and more striking.

The tendency to use the whitewash brush instead of the iron rod is responsible for every mess into which organized baseball has found itself.

Figuring that some safety rested in silence and that the interest of business demanded a covering up, organized baseball took the attitude that the Hal Chase, Heine Zimmerman, Lee Magee, Benton and other cases were none of the fans' business and they allowed the public to think as it wished.

So in 1919 it is not surprising that the "Black Sox" thought—"We can get away with this. Even if we do get caught, they won't let it get out."

Ben Johnson has always aspired to the role of the watchdog of baseball, the guardian of the grand national pastime, always on duty to watch the safeguard the sport.

Since he was the first to raise the row publicly about the return of Rube Benton to the major league, Ban probably thinks his duty nobly done in this instance.

In advancing any claims for honor and glory in this case, however, Ban might explain why it was that it took him three years to complain that Benton made a bet on the Cincinnati Reds in the 1919 world's series.

Some day when he is in a reminiscent mood, Ban also might explain why it was that the White Sox scandal was made public by him until it looked like the Sox were going to beat out the Cleveland Indians for the 1929 pennant when Ban had known about the scandal for a year.

Ban and John Heydler, national league president, and Commissioner Landis might also explain how they can allow Benton to play in a minor league without protest, if he is barred from the majors.

National League club owners who are objecting to the return of Benton base their opposition not on the world's series bet he made, but upon an incident that happened in 1917, about which many conflicting tales have been told.

Benton's side of the affair as told

to J. W. Norton, president of the St. Paul ball club and told by him recently, was in substance as follows:

It was late in the season of 1917, the Giants were playing in Chicago and one afternoon McGraw, contrary to his usual custom, asked Benton to be ready to pitch the following afternoon.

Benton was approached then by one of the Giant players and told that he could earn \$700 by throwing the game.

Benton laughed about it, considering it a joke. He thought it over in the clubhouse, however, and later he told what had occurred to Art Fletcher, captain of the team.

Benton warmed up the next afternoon without hearing a thing and he thought nothing of it. As the Giants went out to take the field and Benton started for the box, Fletcher approached him and said:

"Mac says you'd better win this game!"

"Sure, I'm going to win it," Benton replied. And he did win the game.

Benton and Charley Herzog, then the Giants' third baseman, were called before President Heydler, but they both denied each other's charges and no action was taken.

Organized baseball is always having to answer the question, "Why didn't you do such-and-such?"

Southwestern Life policies are written with Accidental Death Benefit added for only a dollar and a half a thousand. Joe H. Boothe, agent. 210-641.

Mrs. W. C. Shelton and children have gone to Staten where they will make their future home after visiting her parents here. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hightower.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announce their candidacies for City Office, subject to the action of the charter of the City of Sweetwater at the City Election, April 3, 1923:

FOR CHIEF OF POLICE:
W. R. (Buck) JOHNSON, (re-election.)
BRACK MITCHELL.
FOR CITY SECRETARY:
W. H. BARTLETT (re-election).
FOR CITY WATER COMMISSIONER, Place No. 1.
L. E. MUSGROVE (re-election)
FOR MAYOR
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GRANT THREE
Three marriage licenses have been granted by the County Clerk up to Thursday. They include Victor Tankersley and Miss Evans of Nolan, H. D. Daugherty of Big Spring and Miss Roberta Franklin of Post and John W. Dickinson of Galveston and Miss Velma M. Russell of Blackwell. The last named couple were married by Judge Mauzey late Wednesday afternoon.

WILD RESORT GONE.
Buckhorn Saloon, Once Notorious, Disintegrates.
By The United Press.
ASPEN, Colo., Feb. 1.—The old Buckhorn saloon building, early day landmark during the mining boom in Colorado, has passed on—the same as many of its patrons who gambled and drank the night through within its walls years ago.

A heavy fall of snow so weighted down the old deserted building, that it collapsed into kindling wood.

In the early days, when the "wild West was wild," the Buckhorn was one of the famous saloons and gambling houses of the western slope of the Colorado Rockies. Miners and lumberjacks cheerfully gambled away a month's hard-earned wage at its faro layouts, roulette wheel and crap games. Losers seldom complained. The house was known to be "on the square" and after losing his all, the miner, or the woodsman would step up to the bar, have one "on the house," bundle up his mackinaw and go into the wintry night, back to his work until next pay day.

SOLD PIANO
"Please take that adv. of mine out of the paper. I put in an adv. the other day to sell a piano. I sold it and could have sold several more if I had had them. I have had at least a dozen calls on that one adv.," said Clint Scott, Thursday. Do they read the ads in the Reporter?

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"HE RAISED CAIN"
—"Wishing Nut"
A Roaring Comedy.

R AND R QUEEN
—Last Day's Showing—
JACK HOXIE
—IN—
The Marshall of Moneymint
"The Adviser"
A Mermaid Comedy
—Friday And Saturday—
WILLIAM FAIRBANKS
—IN—
"The Sheriff of Sun-Dog"
JIMMY AUBREY
—IN—
"THE CHICKEN PARADE"