

\$500,000 FIRE SWEEPS BRECKENRIDGE

MERCHANTS HERE TO ARRANGE FOR BIG STYLE SHOW

Committee is Appointed by Retail Merchants Association at Special Meeting Last Night at Which Discussion of Labor Matters Here Takes Place — Regular Trade Days to Be Re-Established Wednesday of Each Week.

A special meeting, at which plans were made for the coming style show in Cisco, arrangements completed for the re-establishment of regular trade days by members of the association and matters relative to labor conditions in Cisco were discussed, was held by the Retail Merchants' association last night. The spring style show, to be held under the auspices of the Retail Merchants' association and to be participated in by its members, will take place on the 14, 16 and 18. The location of the style exhibits has not been determined to date. At the meeting last night, the committee, comprising W. C. Pettit, chairman; J. B. Nime, J. W. Babbs and W. K. Kohlreuter, was appointed to look into the actual cost of the show and to report to the association at a special meeting to be held tomorrow night. Beginning March 2, the association's members will again put on special sales days of each week. These trade days are expected to be a great success during the fall and throughout the early part of the winter. The members of the association have agreed to place on sale these days articles which will not duplicate the offerings of the other merchants, thus assuring a wide variety of goods to the public.

Representatives of the building department here and Mr. Olson, of Austin, a state organizer in labor matters, were present at the meeting, participating in discussion of a subject pertaining to employment of union and non-union labor in Cisco. In deference to the council, the association appointed a committee, composed of John Sherman, chairman; A. B. O'Flaherty and M. Pollock, to investigate the labor situation and report to the association.

U. S. DEMANDS AN EQUAL VOICE IN OVERSEAS CASES

PARIS, Feb. 24.—The United States demands an equal concern and interest in the other allied and associated nations in overseas possessions of Germany and their disposition, in a note to the council of the League of Nations mandating.

ORGANIZED LABOR TO ESTABLISH BANK FOR WAGE-EARNERS ONLY

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 24.—A campaign has been launched among the ranks of organized labor here to establish a wage-earners' co-operative bank, to be owned entirely by labor unions and their members.

CURRENCY COMPTROLLER ISSUES BANK CALL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The comptroller of currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business on Monday, February 21.

TO KILL FATTED CALF.

As announced in yesterday's Daily News, the Men's Bible class of the First Baptist church will serve cooked calf to all members and friends of the church, this evening. The invitation to participate is general and hearty and all are requested to meet at Pastor Howard's study, promptly at 7 o'clock. Tell the other fellow and then come, yourself.

MEXICAN CAMP IN ARKANSAS SHOT UP

Associated Press.
PINE BLUFF, Ark., Feb. 24.—Forty Mexican laborers, recently brought to this section to work by the Cotton Belt railroad, were routed from their camp six miles from here last night by unknown parties, who "shot up" the camp. No one was hurt.

JUDGE DESIRES CHANGE IN LAW RULING DIVORCE

International News Service.
CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Abolition of the restriction which prohibits remarriage of divorced couples for one year is urged by Judge George Fred Rush, who while sitting on the bench in the divorce branch of the circuit court has listened to 2,999 marital cases.

"I am in favor of the abolition of the restriction which prohibits remarriage of divorced couples for one year," he stated yesterday, "but I'm also an advocate of the passage of a more drastic restriction to take its place.

COAST-TO-COAST FLIER AVERAGES NINETY-EIGHT MILE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 24.—Lieutenant Wm. Coney, who started from Love Field at Dallas at 10:14 central time last night, on the last lap of his ocean-to-ocean flight, arrived at Camp Johnson, near here, at 7:27 this morning.

FIRE IN ILLINOIS IMPRISONS MINERS

Associated Press.
FORT WORTH, Feb. 24.—The flying time of Lieutenant Coney, as unofficially announced at Washington today, was three hours and twenty minutes better than that of Major T. C. McCauley, former commander at Tularosa Field, here. The latter made three successive attempts in 1919 to complete a trans-continental flight from San Diego to Jacksonville with one stop, and his best time made was slightly over twenty-six hours. Lieutenant Coney followed McCauley's course.

PETITION AGAINST ABILENE REFINERY

ABILENE, Texas, Feb. 24.—A creditors' petition in bankruptcy against the General Oil and Refining company, which operates the Abilene refinery, has been filed in the office of United States Commissioner W. D. Girard in Abilene. The petition was brought by Eastland parties. The Abilene refinery is continuing operations.

HARDING FAVORS WIDE EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION

Sweeping Changes in Departments and Bureaus Foreshadowed—Congress Creates Committee to Arrange Plans of Simplification of Executive Branch to Prevent Duplications and Cut Payroll — Separate Department of Public Welfare is Proposed.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 24.—As President-elect Harding has completed the formation of his cabinet, he is now giving increased attention to the first big administrative task, the re-organization of the executive machinery of the government.

Detailed plans have not been formed, but it is known that Harding proposes sweeping changes in many departments and bureaus, and that he expects to enlist the ablest administrators he can find in the work of re-organization. It is understood that he told advisers he regarded the chairmanship of the re-organization committee virtually on a par with the cabinet portfolios.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF AMERICAN LEGION TO BE HELD TONIGHT

A very important meeting at which a large amount of business is to be acted upon will be held tonight in the Elks' hall by John William Butts post of the American Legion.

TRADE BOOSTING CAMPAIGN WILL BEGIN IN MARCH

A co-operative trade extension and trade-boosting campaign, to be participated in by the Retail Merchants' association and the chamber of commerce, is due to begin March 2, it was announced today.

IMMIGRATION INSPECTOR FOR FORT WORTH

Associated Press.
FORT WORTH, Feb. 24.—An inspector of the immigration department will be stationed at Fort Worth permanently because of the Mexican situation in this territory, it was announced today in a message from F. W. Burkshire of El Paso, supervision inspector on the Mexican border.

ELLIS COUNTY SHERIFF DIES AFTER ILLNESS

WAXAHACHIE, Feb. 24.—George C. Sweet, aged 53 years, sheriff of Ellis county, died here today after a year's illness. He has held various offices in the county for thirty-four years. His widow and four children survive.

CENSUS SHOWING 10,127 IS DECLARED OFFICIAL

A thorough census, declared to be authentic, taken by Messrs. L. G. Eppler and C. O. Pass, at the request of the city commission, was passed upon and declared to be official by the city commissioners in a called meeting held at 4:30 yesterday afternoon in the city hall.

COMMITTEES CHANGE BANQUET, EX-SERVICE MEN, TO MARCH THIRD

At the last meeting of the committees from the various churches, the date for the banquet to be tendered the ex-service men here was set definitely for March 3. The date as first set, on March 2 which is Texas Independence Day, was found to conflict with the time for the annual dinner to be participated in by local members of the Alumni association of the University of Texas.

WARNS AGAINST NORMAL 1921 CROP OF COTTON.

WACO, Feb. 24.—"It would be sheer folly unworthy of sane people to tolerate another normal crop of cotton in view of the present market outlook," declared Clarence Ousley, recognized as probably the greatest authority in Texas on cotton, in an address before the fourth district bankers annual conference at a local hotel here.

SAYS BOTH FACTIONS OF TURKS TO AGREE

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Itehad Pasha, delegate of the Constantinople government to the Near East conference here, in speaking of the names of both groups of Turks declared that both factions would accept decisions of the allies at today's session.

NEW CEMENT RECORD.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A new record in production, shipment and gross value of Portland cement was established by the United States last year, according to estimates announced by the geological survey. Production is estimated at 109,302,000 barrels, compared with 80,769,378 barrels in 1919, an increase of twenty-four per cent.

NEW HILBURN WELL MAKES 800 BARRELS

The well of Madden & Madden on the R. L. Day tract, north-west of the J. R. Collier tract, north of which the Magnolia recently completed a good producer marking a southwest extension to the Hilburn field was reported this morning as making 800 barrels.

LOS ANGELES MAN TO TRY GREAT OIL SUIT.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—Francis J. Heney of Los Angeles has been retained by Uncle Sam Oil company which had its principal office here, to bring suit against the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey for damages aggregating \$1,000,000,000. It also announces that on March 1 a meeting of the directors will be held to discuss ways and means to promote the action said to involve the largest claim for damages ever known in this country or any other.

LABOR LEADERS URGING VETO OF TOWNSEND BILL

Executives of Trade Unions Say Bill is an Unjustified Concession to Railway Owners Who Have Shown a Wanton Disregard for Law — Naval Appropriation Bill Reported Upon by Senate — Calder Bill Favored After Elimination of Points.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—President Wilson was urged to veto the Winslow-Townsend bill as an "unjustified concession to railway owners who have shown wanton disregard for laws and lawful processes," in a resolution adopted here today by the executives of the national and international trade unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

HOUSE REFUSES, APPROVE REPEAL INSURANCE LAW

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The annual naval appropriation bill, carrying \$109,500,000, motion as passed by the house was reported upon today by the naval committee of the senate. The largest single increase was for enlisted men's pay.

FORMALITY AND CEREMONY GIVEN JOLT BY YOUTHS

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—Formality and ceremony received severe jolts during the tour of Germany just completed by fifteen American farmer boys who came to Germany with a ship load of milk cows to be given Germany by American farmers. The young men returned to Berlin after a trip of sixteen days to many of the principal cities in the country. All are Americans and natives of Indiana, Kansas and Texas.

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VALLEY FORGE TO HONOR WILSON

Associated Press.
VALLEY FORGE, Pa., Feb. 24.—Rev. W. Herbert Burke, rector and founder of the Washington Memorial church, announced today that President Wilson had been made an honorary and perpetual benefactor of the Valley Forge Historical society, and has accepted the honor.

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AUSTIN, Feb. 24.—By refusing to print the minority report, the house today killed the bill proposing the repeal of the Robertson insurance law.

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BUILDINGS ARE DYNAMITED; ONE BLOCK IS LOST

Buildings Destroyed in Morning Fire Include That of Breckenridge American, Three Hotels, Grocery Store, Market, Barber Shop and Theater — Fire, Second at Breckenridge Within Two Months, is Reported Under Control Before Noon.

Fire of unknown origin starting on the second floor of a building at the corner of Elm street and Breckenridge avenue swept a portion of the Breckenridge business district at 8:30 this morning, entailing a loss estimated at \$500,000.

Lack of fire equipment and scarcity of water caused the flames to spread rapidly from the point of origin, in a building occupied by the Bass Oil company. Two gas tanks exploded and caused the flames to spread over a wide area. One entire half-block was destroyed including three hotels, one grocery store and meat market, one barber shop and one theater.

The flames jumped across the street and destroyed one hotel and one garage before they were controlled. Three buildings are reported to have been dynamited in the attempt to control the fire.

Among the buildings destroyed is that occupied by the Breckenridge Daily American.

The fire was reported under control at 10:30 this morning. It is the second occurring in Breckenridge within the past two months and rivals great conflagrations which swept in turn other booming oil centers in their day—Ranger and Desdemona.

Breckenridge's disaster follows closely upon that of Hilburn experienced earlier in the week when practically the entire one-half of the business section was burned, seven or eight buildings being destroyed.

The business portion destroyed by fire is reported as the north side of Walker street between Breckenridge and Baylor avenues. With the exception of the Sagler hotel, the entire block in which that building is located was destroyed, including two filling stations, restaurants and other places of business.

CISCO GUNNERS CHASE RABBITS IN DOTHAN HUNT

A number of directors and members and G. C. Richardson, secretary of the chamber of commerce left by auto for the Dothan district this morning to participate in a rabbit-drive inaugurated by the farmers in that section. Dinner was arranged for and plans made for a gala day and a big hunt.

Rabbit drives in the agricultural sections of west Texas are in vogue at present due to the rapid increase in the pests during the last few months. The following reports show activities along this line in Erath and Coleman counties:

STEPHENVILLE, Feb. 24.—Rabbit drives were inaugurated in all parts of Erath county Monday and thousands of the pests killed. Rabbits were also invaded. Farmers are hopeful that they thinned out the pest to the extent that the remainder will not be so destructive to growing and harvesting crops.

SANTA ANNA, Feb. 24.—Many rabbit drives have been made in this vicinity and large numbers of rabbits slain. All small grain looks poor and farmers believe it may be due to the excess of pests, as the winter has been unusually mild, with plenty of rain.

FOUR BANDITS GET SMALL SUM IN TRIO OF THEFTS, NEBRON

DENTON, Feb. 24.—Burglars last night secured an aggregate of \$25 in cash and \$200 in war savings stamps at Hebron, near here. Three places, including a bank were robbed. Four men were seen leaving the village in an automobile.

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ALL MUST PAY.

If it is proper to cancel England's debts it is also proper to cancel every other debt, personal, private and public in the world. If this policy be adopted business will be paralyzed and the nations and individuals thus relieved will not be materially benefited.

If England cannot pay her debts there is no nation in the world that can.

England's resources are greater than those of any other nation. The lion's paw holds in subjection nations, races and peoples in every clime. When will England withdraw that paw? When will she grant freedom and independence to all races under her power and agree to live within the jurisdiction of her own island home.

Friendship for England is all right; but friendship for America is the first duty of every American citizen.

Bear in mind that this country has a war debt of \$24,000,000,000 and that it was largely contracted in saving from destruction the nations who now ask us to cancel their debts.

SUFFRAGISTS AND BRANDEGEE.

Suffrage is just one fight after another. First it was the battle to get the vote. Until the other day a bitter fight was raging over a group of statues of famous suffragists intended for a place in Statuary hall in Washington.

The group, carved from marble, was forwarded to Washington with the expectation that it would be placed in the hall at once. Then, as the comics say, the fun began. Senator Brandegee of Connecticut, unreformed anti-suffragist, is chairman of the committee which passes upon all statues submitted.

Recently the suffrage committee asked permission to place the group in Statuary hall temporarily for unveiling services, promising to remove it to some final abode later. This, too, was denied, but as the result of great pressure, a way seems finally to have been found to soften the heart of stern Mr. Brandegee.

ADJUSTMENT UNDER WAY.

The United States is emerging from its period of business depression and will soon be as lively as ever. Mills are starting everywhere, and the army of unemployed is being reduced. Prices are falling and will yet fall somewhat lower.

our choicest suggestive plays. Gordon's ads describe the kisses and embarrassing situations you'll see on the screen in his house. There are 354 men, women and children in line for Gordon's show, and his matinee business has doubled Tiernan's all week.

Tiernan needs no high-powered telescope to see that line across the street, and his ambitious son Terrence needs no adding machine to tell him the net difference in dollars between a queue of 49 and \$54. Query: What sex-play appears at Tiernan's theater next week? And why? It does not need a professor of logic to give the answer, does it?

The deduction is only too evident. Sex plays seem to be, for the moment, what the people want. But they are unwholesome, not because they relate to sex, but because the side of it set forth in the movies. The majority of people live decent, clean, self-respecting lives.

Eventually, public taste will veer away from the sex movie, just as it does in time from every unwholesome and abnormal thing. At bottom, the public taste is sane and trustworthy. The tide has already begun to turn.

LET THEM INSPECT THE HAVOC.

Civilians from all the allied countries have been visiting the war zone ever since the signing of the armistice. They have come away with a much deeper sense of the folly and wastefulness of war, and of the terrible destruction and suffering of the latest war.

One wonders why this was not thought of long ago. It was obvious during the war and still seems true, that the majority of German citizens, while they have learned some of the bitterness of defeat, have never known the truth about the war's beginning or about its prosecution by their armies.

It is too late to show them the worst. Much of the hideous defacement of the German invasion has been removed; the human anguish fortunately cannot be reproduced. But enough is left to show the visitors that their enemies suffered far more than their own people have suffered.

Perhaps the most interesting phase of the question is, "How did the committee arrive at the decision that the statue is not 'art'?" Has it found the answer to that problem of the ages—"What is art?"

UNCLE SAM AS CUPID.

According to Miss Fannie Wilson, secretary of the Woman's United States chamber of commerce, a bill will be introduced at the next congress to establish a federal bureau, Miss Alice Robertson, the new congresswoman, will present the bill if present plans carry.

The government, already widely concerned in teaching home economics, might well add a department for bringing lonely souls together so that more homes may be established and the birth rate kept up, according to those who are back of the bill.

It may be a wise idea, but does it not seem rather more desirable that the functions of the great federal government be exercised along lines less acutely personal? And as for the fake matrimonial bureaus, they should be put out of business by the strong arm of the law.

Every community has its quota of decent, desirable and marriageable citizens. As a rule, it has also many religious and social organizations where acquaintances can be made and prosper. Loneliness is a fault rather than a misfortune, the result not of being left out, but of failure to come into the pleasant activities of legitimate acquaintance.

The Ohio legislature has before it a bill providing for the levying of a tax of \$2.00 per year upon all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 45. This is known as the military tax bill, and is designed to raise a fund of \$2,000,000 per year to be applied to the payment of soldier bonuses, and should the bonus

REASON.
Rents and wages should both come down.
However, if landlords feel justified in maintaining excessive rents, it is very natural and just as reasonable for laboring men, through organization, to stand pat on the wage scale.
This exercise of reason and common sense would likely save everybody lots of unnecessary worry and trouble.
Let's all think it over and then do the right thing—assist the greatest government in the world in its readjustment plans.

amendment fail, the money would be turned into the state highway fund for road construction and improvement.

When one has nothing to do but stand around and criticize local authorities because of a passable highway to one of Cisco's most important industries—more important in fact, than any other industry in the city's confines—it would be entirely proper and sane for the said authorities to expend all the effort necessary in locating a full-time job for the said idle one.

Our boasted civilization will stand for nothing until the world gets down to a basis of honest dealing between man and man. The profiteer must be eliminated and business must be done upon an equitable basis. Justice must be the watchword, and the weak must be protected from the predatory designs of the strong.

That Alabama police-woman who declared her intention to scrub the painted faces of the girls of her city, will find herself very much disliked before the job is completed. Scrubbing a few faces will not change the situation in any material degree.

The Daily News was informed Saturday that a certain Cisco man has offered to finance a modern potato-curing plant for this city. If constructed, the industry will be of great value to the farmers of this section, as well as an aid to the chamber of commerce in its fight for new trade territory.

The water is fine for mayoralty and city commissionership debutantes. Come on in, fellows!

OUR SOLDIER BOYS.
One feature of war work is still with us and bids fair to be with us for months if not years. It is the care of our boys who were disabled in the service. This is a work that should be one of love and one that we should be happy to assume.

It is easy to find fault and easy to see things that should have been done, but quite another matter to realize them before they happen. Complaints of bitterness that should have been made in the hospitals where these men are cared for can safely be set down to oversight and not to intent.

It is altogether probable that some hospitals may have been overcrowded and that as a result inconveniences may have been suffered by the inmates. It is also no doubt true that inexperienced nurses may have handled cases less skillful than we could wish.

Where there are charges such as are made regarding a hospital in Illinois, that white and colored men were put to sleep in the same room, and that men and women used the same bath and toilet rooms, the real facts should be ascertained. Often charges may rest on an isolated case that is easily explained when taken by itself.

Our duty demands that all disabled men be given every care and attention. We have never failed in caring for the country's defenders in previous wars, and we will not fail in our obligation in this instance.

LABOR'S GOOD SENSE.
The solid vote of the men in a large eastern shoe factory to increase their working hours from forty-four per week to forty-eight without extra pay, shows that good sense is asserting itself and that these workers are joining with their employers in an effort to meet existing conditions.
The worst thing that could happen

at this time would be labor trouble. The country is struggling through the storm of readjustment and seems about to make the port of normalcy without serious disaster. But let the crew start trouble and no man can tell where the ship will land.

Wages and values are only comparative. The American standard must and shall be maintained. When prices took a skyrocket jump, labor demanded and rightfully received increased pay. Now, with prices on the toboggan, the purchasing power of the dollar has increased to such an extent that a lowered wage does not mean a lowered standard of living.

Will Furnish Pep.
The National league of women voters is planning a big convention to be held in Cleveland early in April. The slogan in use in these pre-convention days is, "A delegate from every congressional district in the United States."

Although honestly non-partisan in a political sense, the National league of women voters is strongly partisan when it comes to the support of public measures concerned with better education, health, child welfare and all the forward-looking laws in which good citizens are interested. The league knows, too, that the reason why these constructive laws have not been enacted before is because the right-thinking men and women who approve of them in their hearts have not cooperated with hand and brain in their support.

It is not that the men voters of the land have not been interested in good government and the legislation upon which it is built up. In spite of much scoffing at the news they are often accused of having made of political and governmental affairs, honest critics must admit that they have put across a good many fine things, including the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States.

The sympathy of the president seems at all times to have been on the side of the railroad men, and they have always appealed to him. Now, however, he feels that to intervene he would be usurping prerogatives of a commission duly authorized by law.

THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.
The flat refusal of President Wilson to intervene in the dispute between the railroad men and the companies, now pending before the wage board, serves to clear the atmosphere. The president rightly takes the ground that the matter at issue comes within the province of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the wage board.

Let the two sides to the dispute get together and strive for an adjustment. When they have shown, by an honest effort, that this is impossible, then will be time to take action outside the regular orderly course. But there is nothing at present to indicate the need of special legislation on the subject. It is unfair to say the two sides cannot agree, at least until they have tried.

Mrs. E. F. Jones spent yesterday in Eastland.

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Pert Paragraphs

"The deceitfulness of riches" probably refers to the making out of income tax returns.—Baltimore Sun.

With 742,000 men under arms, France may well wonder whether there was ever a "war to end war."—Boston Transcript.

New Jersey's automobile holdups are now the wonder of the once Wild West.—Boston Herald.

The present value of the ruble proves that Russia attaches no more value to a piece of paper than Germany did.—Washington Post.

How can Germany pay 56 billion dollars? has been asked. The allies have attended to that: Nothing down and the rest like rent.—Kansas City Times.

The republican congress is becoming uneasy over world unrest. It is evident that it is beginning to realize that it is chiefly the cause.—Rochester Herald.

A suicide at the age of 103 has been reported. You would think any body who could pull through that far could stand the game to the finish.—Raleigh News and Observer.

GRAND JURY OF COUNTY CLOSES, 84 INDICTMENTS

Extending thanks to Hon. E. A. Hill, judge of the 88th district court, to Sam Nolley, and his deputies, and to W. V. Dunnam, county attorney, for courtesies shown, the grand jury which convened early this month has completed its report and asked for discharge.

The report, which shows a favorable examination of the county jail and recommends steps to be taken in the matter of proper care and attention of the boys and girls of the county, is in part as follows:

"In making this our final report and asking to be discharged we desire to say that we have been in session eighteen days, have examined 319 witnesses, and have returned eighty-four indictments, of which sixty are for felonies.

"While we have remained in session longer than is usual yet it seemed to us necessary that we inquire at this length into many matters properly coming before us.

"Speaking generally, we find that many classes of crimes of a more serious nature are on the decline, and still we regret to admit that in regard to a few of the more serious offenses there are indications that they are on the increase. Then, there is still much work for every citizen in the county, as well as for the law enforcement officers, to do in order that crime of every nature may be

suppressed and all offenders be brought to justice.
"Having made some review of the records being kept by county officials for the past year, we desire to note with approval the practice inaugurated regarding all county officials to make monthly reports of their office work, as is required by law. These reports help to keep all the county's business in proper condition. We find that such reports, prior to this year, have not been made regularly and thus much confusion and official embarrassment have resulted. From now on, with monthly reports from each office coming in regularly to the county auditor, the county's business will be made to appear in better condition than heretofore, thus securing accuracy in all public accounts and a more efficient administration of public affairs. We urge that all the officers be faithful and prompt in making these monthly and quarterly and annual reports.

"We regret to report a majority of crimes being committed appear to be done by young men, and we recommend that parents keep a watchful eye over their boys and girls and pay more attention to their surroundings and associates. So often it seems that children are led astray and into crime as a result of parental neglect. Boys who have been left orphans go astray and are often brought before the courts, and we are confident that much of this can be avoided and the boys saved provided the proper restraints are thrown around them in time at home and among relatives. We further find that sources of immorality are allowed in some instances to exist where boys and young men are allowed to congregate and come in contact with evil and immoral influences and are thereby, we believe, led into crime."

R. D. Sorter of Breckonridge, was in Cisco today.

KANSAS COMPANY IS RUNNING MINES NOW AFTER IDLE PERIOD

PITTSBURG, Kans., Feb. 24.—The mines of the H. and J. companies were operating today after an idleness of two weeks as the result of a strike called by President Alexander Howatt and the district executive board over a controversy on wages due a former employe. The Kansas industrial court awarded the wages as claimed, and the employe received the amount yesterday.

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WEST EIGHTH TO BE GIVEN ROCK GRAVEL SURFACE

The city commission met in a regular weekly session last night in city hall with a few matters of routine nature up for consideration. A delegation of property owners on West Eighth street was present to present claims for street improvements in that portion of the Action on the subject resulted in carrying on a motion ordering the gravel on that stretch of avenue K west to the south of avenue L, and on avenue L between Seventh and Eighth streets as a section.

Bids are being received for paving of Union street from the end of Fourth street to the end of avenue D and it is expected that the contract will be awarded and work commenced in the near future. Only three commissioners were present at the meeting.

G. M. Brown, general manager of Richardson-Brown company, was in city yesterday from Athens.

Wanted—A

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CISCO CHURCHES WILL ENTERTAIN EX-SERVICE MEN

Preliminary arrangements for the entertainment of Cisco's ex-service men on March 2, Texas Independence Day, by the churches of this city were made last night...

Good music and able speakers will be the order of the banquet program, out of town speakers of prominence being sought for the occasion by the committee in charge of the entertainment.

The meeting last night was the second held by the pastors and representatives of the churches. The committees who were not present are urged to attend a meeting to be held tonight at 7:30 at the Methodist church to discuss definitely the action each committee will take.

Publicity—Z. R. Edworthy, Jack Winston, Ernest Hinton. Arrangements—John O'Brien, Bob Winston, Joe Wilson.

Entertainment—C. G. Howard, L. N. Stucky, E. H. Holmes, J. D. Leslie.

Decoration—Roy Keathley, L. D. Wilson, J. T. McCarty.

Finance—W. C. Shelton, Crigger Paschal, Dr. Chas. Hale.

Refreshments—A. E. Caldwell, Geo. Winston, L. D. Preston.

Several churches were not represented last night and an urgent invitation is extended for their representatives to be present at the meeting tonight.

U. S. FARMERS TO FEED STARVING MILLIONS, CHINA

Associated Press. PEKING, Feb. 22.—The all-American committee on famine relief in China today announced the acceptance of a tentative offer of five million bushels of corn from American farmers for relief of the millions of starving Chinese.

Plans were recently outlined to Secretary Daniels, providing a "mercy fleet" to carry grain to China, donated by American farmers for the millions of starving Chinese.

COAST-TO-COAST AVIATOR FORCED DOWN AT BONTE

Associated Press. DALLAS, Feb. 22.—Lieut. Wm. D. Coney, transcontinental flier, was forced to earth at Bonte, in Coke county, early today by engine trouble, according to reports received at Love Field, which stated the aviator was uninjured. He attempted a Pacific-Atlantic coast flight in twenty-four hours, leaving San Diego early last night.

WILSON TELLS CLUB HE WILL MAKE ALL EFFORTS FOR PEACE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Wilson today in a speech to a delegation from the Woodrow Wilson Club of Harvard University, received at the White House, said he would bend his efforts to the last in supporting the cause of world peace.



GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM tobacco makes 50 good cigarettes for 10c

AGENT HAS NEW ORDER, CLAIMS ON SHIPMENTS DURING U. S. CONTROL

B. A. Tunnell, Texas and Pacific freight agent has mailed various Cisco firms a copy of a telegram from D. W. Beddo, auditor of freight receipts, at Dallas, which reads as follows: "Effective at once, no over-charge claims involving shipments during federal control shall be accepted. Advise claimants to file such claims with the Interstate Commerce Commission on or before February 28. Handle unsettled claims on hand to conclusion in accordance with the established practice."

DEDICATION OF FAMED TREE IS ARBOR DAY ACT

Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Pa., Feb. 22.—Dedication here today of the celebrated horse chestnut tree to its place in the tree hall of fame, created by the American Forestry association, brings out a hitherto unpublished letter by James Russell Lowell, the poet, whose natal day is the same as General Washington's.

The tree was taken from Mount Vernon by Washington and sent to one of his aides in the revolutionary war, General Brown, who planted it in the lawn before his home here. Asa K. McIlhenny of Bath, nominated the celebrated old tree for the hall of fame. It is twenty-seven feet and a half in circumference at the base and six feet from the ground it has a girth of seventeen feet.

Nominating the tree, Mr. McIlhenny sent in the letter from Lowell, written thirty years ago, just four months before the noted poet died. It expresses his sympathy with the celebration of Arbor Day and his love of nature. It was written on the occasion of the planting of a tree for Lowell, by the school children of Bath, on his birthday, Feb. 22, 1891.

Another tree recently given a place in the hall of fame is the Lincoln tree, and Augusta, Maine. It was a tiny shoot when placed on April 15, 1865, the day Lincoln died.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE DEMANDS EQUAL CONTROL

Note Presented Directly to League Council Demands Equal Opportunities in the Mandates of Territories — Reply to Colby's Letter to England and Official Drafts of Mandates Not Yet Received.

Associated Press. PARIS, Feb. 22.—The American state department sent a note to the League of Nations on the subject of mandates, it was learned here today.

Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The American government presented directly to the council League of Nations its demand that all allied and associated nations be given equal opportunities in the mandate of territories. It was announced today by the state department that the note, which was virtually identical with the one on this subject sent to the British government last November, had been dispatched to the council at Paris.

The decision was acted upon notwithstanding the early change in administration because the council contemplated action on mandates such as that for Mesopotamia and Palestine.

TYPHUS RESTRICTIONS IN NEW YORK HARBOR DETAINS SIR GEDDES

Associated Press. NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador returning to his Washington post, was detained several hours today aboard the Aquitania, in quarantine, while health officers searched the ship for typhus infection. Eighty-nine, vermin-infected Poles were found.

DANCE HALLS CLOSE. FORT WORTH, Feb. 22.—Public dance halls were ordered closed today by a city ordinance. Mrs. R. Q. Lee returned last night from a visit in Fort Worth.

REDS' SCHEDULE INCLUDES EIGHT GAMES IN CISCO

Cincinnati Nine to Arrive Here Week After Next, is Billed for Fourteen Games, Carrying Four in Ranger and Two in Fort Worth — Chamber of Commerce Baseball Committee Will Give Local Games Wide Publicity.

The first week in March, less than two weeks ahead, will see the Cincinnati Reds in Cisco for their spring training, and in view of the short time between now and then several matters relative to their arrival are now being rounded up by the chamber of commerce, it was reported yesterday.

The Reds will hop off the train about one week from next Thursday and receive their first welcome to Cisco. They are billed here for a period of about three weeks and during that time a schedule of several games with other big league nines wintering in Texas will be played.

As announced yesterday by G. C. Richardson, chamber of commerce secretary, the schedule is as follows, including games in which the Reds, the Columbus nine training at Ranger, the White Sox, Dallas and Fort Worth will participate:

- At Cisco, Reds vs. Columbus on March 11. At Cisco, Reds vs. Columbus on March 12. At Ranger, Reds vs. Columbus on March 13. At Ranger, Reds vs. Columbus on March 14. At Ranger, Reds vs. Columbus on March 15. At Ranger, Reds vs. Columbus on March 16. At Cisco, Reds vs. Fort Worth on March 17. At Cisco, Reds vs. Fort Worth on March 18. At Fort Worth, Reds vs. White Sox on March 19. At Fort Worth, Reds vs. White Sox on March 20. At Cisco, Reds vs. Columbus on March 21. At Cisco, Reds vs. Columbus on March 22. At Cisco, Reds vs. Dallas on March 24. At Cisco, Reds vs. Dallas on March 25.

This gives Cisco a total of eight games and the Reds a total of fourteen.

The schedule is to be given wide publicity by the chamber of commerce baseball committee in practically every town and city in this section of West Texas.

Cisco's baseball park is receiving finishing touches, including all modern conveniences in the training quarters. The diamond, which is now in good shape after being worked over in December by Matty Schwab, the Reds' ground keeper, is to be rolled and put in fast shape. The rains of last week will prove a great benefit, making it ready for surfacing.

CISCO BASEBALL MANAGER LINING UP NEW PLAYERS

The Cisco Scouts will enter the arena at Abilene on April 20, with the determination to annex the West Texas baseball league 1921 flag, according to Tom Carson, manager, who reports that he is lining up talent of a high caliber. Carson, who managed the locals last season, has been engaged again for the coming season, and attended the meeting held by the heads of the league at the Guide hotel last Sunday.

The Cisco manager has returned to Waco, but will make his headquarters in Cisco after the early part of next month, when he will begin whipping the Scouts into shape. He announces that he is lining up the services of a number of young players.

The schedule, as adopted at the meeting, calls for 139 games throughout the season, ending on Labor Day.

GREEKS WILL REFUSE COMPROMISE, THRACE, ASIA MINOR WRANGLE

Associated Press. PARIS, Feb. 22.—The Greek premier, who is in London attending the near east conference, is said to have received a telegram from King Constantine instructing him to decline a compromise with the allies or Turks regarding the rights of Greece in Thrace and Asia Minor.

Little Helen Ross Crawford is recovering from a severe attack of tonsillitis. At B. Cloud is spending the week-end in Waco.

M. K. Lovelady of Marshall, is here for a short time, visiting his sister, Mrs. J. M. Williamson. Mr. Lovelady may locate here this spring.

P. S. Wolf and R. A. Massey, prominent business men of Eastland, were here on a business trip yesterday.

Miss Belle Wright arrived this morning to be the guest of her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Wright.

BILL REQUIRES NATURALIZATION TO SECURE LAND

Proposed Measure Prohibits All Future Ownership of Land in Texas by Aliens and Includes All Persons of Foreign Birth — Penitentiary Investigation Committee is Completing Work With Many Ideas For Changes in Prison System.

Associated Press. AUSTIN, Feb. 18.—Representative Laird of Angerlin, today introduced a bill prohibiting future ownership of land in Texas by aliens, unless naturalization papers have been taken out. The measure includes any person of foreign birth.

The senate had before it today the Murphy minimum wage bill, which provides for the creation of an independent minimum wage commission and for dividing the state into zones as provided in another bill, which has passed the house to engrossment.

The house has killed the senate bill by Senator Woods of Corsicana, making it negligent assault and battery for a person driving an automobile to injure a person by running it him.

The bill by Coffee of Wise, proposing to place a three per cent tax on oil production is up for consideration in the house. This bill was the cause of considerable debate all of last week and the final passage or rejection is expected during this week.

The senate bill by Senator Murphy of Harris, proposing to give the defendant thirty days' time in cases of misdemeanors to satisfy the judgment, is also coming up in the house and it is expected to meet with strong opposition in the lower branch.

Associated Press. HUNTSVILLE, Feb. 18.—Captain Herring, chairman of the prison committee, testified last night he had recommended change after change in the penitentiary system. The investigating committee left for Houston and nearby person farms today. Herring has been in office only a half month. He outlined plans to give a new arrangement to the prison system.

GOOD OIL SHOW IN LEERAY TEST FOLLOWING SHOT

The test of Noel and Hawkins, on the Good ranch, in the Leeray field, twelve miles north of Cisco, which was recently purchased by the Drury Petroleum corporation, is reported with nearly 2,000 feet of fluid in the hole following a shot limited Wednesday night. It gives promise of becoming a fair producer.

The test was drilled to 3,200 feet, was plugged back to 3,275 feet and shot with 300 quarts of nitro from the top of the hole, at 2,300 feet, down to that depth. Within a short time after ignition of the shot, the hole was filled with 200 feet of oil. During a run-in the boiler was lost and only recovered yesterday afternoon after a fishing job. The well is reported showing a gas pressure by heads and it is believed that this will increase sufficiently to cause it to flow within a short time.

MANY MILLIONS IS INVOLVED IN LOUISIANA SUIT

Associated Press. SHEPHERD, La., Feb. 18.—Property worth about \$25,000,000 is involved in a suit on trial here in the district court, with the State of Louisiana seeking title to the bed of Ferry Lake, in the Caddo oil field, according to an estimate in the testimony of former Governor Blanch.

Miss Ada Lee of Baylor College, is spending the week-end with her parents. She was accompanied home by Miss Lucille Wooten of Mississippi, also a student of Baylor College.

A. L. Carriger, representing Conway & McCord, of Terrell, was a business visitor in Cisco yesterday and today.

DEATH FOR ROBBERS.

FORT WORTH, Feb. 19.—The crime wave that is said to be prevalent has been attacked by one pastor in the pulpit here, while another is the leader of a band of "minute men," grouped together to hunt criminals. The Rev. David Irvin, pastor of a church here, is the leader of a band that was organized to respond to the call each time a burglary occurs in the community. The men banded together after seven hours, including the pastor's, had been robbed. Protection of life and property from criminals was urged in a sermon by the Rev. C. V. Edwards, pastor of a Fort Worth church. The Rev. Mr. Edwards recited scriptural passages to show, he said, that the imposition of the death penalty as punishment for robbery was morally right, as well as legally so.

'HELP PRODUCER IS BANKS' DUTY STATES COLBERT

Associated Press. FORT WORTH, Feb. 23.—Declaring that "the greatest mission of the country banker in 1921 is 'helping the producer help himself,'" R. V. Colbert, president of the First National Bank of Stamford, told the members of the seventh district, Texas Bankers' Association, here yesterday that they should study the needs of the borrower, insist on the maximum personal application on the part of the farmer and encourage him to raise garden and dairy foods for his own consumption.

Country bankers are in much better condition than those in large centers, said Mr. Colbert in his address on "The Method of Country Bankers in Financing Farmers in 1921."

The actual money needs of producers should be comparatively small, he said, and the only real necessities are being bought, which are in the main lower, with the exception of farm machinery. There have been no heavy advances on cotton. That product, he is showing some movement and with the looms getting busy should continue to sell. Heavy losses against cost of production will occur, but it is money and will relieve both producer and banker to some extent.

Continuing, Mr. Colbert said, in part: "The initial problem, which comes to the 'country banker' in every year is that of financing 'protection' to the producer since prosperity for any locality swings back to the soil, which in turn is the basis of national and world-wide prosperity."

"Financing the producer is the fundamental, and in turn it is 'first aid' to all lines of community industry with methods varying only with the special problems of each year with probably the necessity for more care and thought directed to the 1921 period of reconstruction than to many former years."

"There can be in a sense no longer any local problems since every community, no matter how small or how remote resolves itself to, or involves itself into, the financial and economic problems of the world."

"Texas, with a maximum cotton production and minimum outlet, should become vitally interested in the great financial corporations which are being formed in several places to help the stricken countries of Europe purchase foodstuffs and raw material to apply their own great assets—labor, silent mills, looms and other industries, and which appeals specially to the South in making a clearance of its great money crop, cotton."

"I do not think any greater boon has been offered to Texas than that the great financial minds of America, realizing the menace to American commerce in its major wasted or unmarketed crops, have jumped into the breach, and since every Texas banker is in the federal reserve district I represent, I call upon him for aid and co-operation in whatever is necessary to bring success to the foreign trade financing corporation being formed in New York. There is probably no other state which needs it more or which will derive greater benefits."

"Encourage every farmer to have a garden, fenced against poultry and rabbits, work his poultry contingent up to a maximum, since it lives on waste. Encourage him to fatten enough hogs for home consumption and for market if he has surplus feed. Run enough cattle, either beef or dairy, to utilize all waste forage, including the grass which grows next to the fences."

"The country has never had a better opportunity to help in the avenues of economy, thrift and best 'personal application' than in 1921."

WAR MATERIALS SOLD TO FRANCE SCANDAL CAUSE

PARIS, Feb. 22.—Favoritism, red tape and inefficiency are likely to cost the French government much money and trouble in the liquidation of American war stocks which France bought from the A. E. F. after the armistice, according to Deputy Charles Vavasour, official recorded on the parliamentary commission inquiring into what has become known as "the stock scandals."

Deputy Vavasour's principal role is to find out who is mainly responsible for the huge losses France will incur in the liquidation of these stocks and also as to how sales were taken over and guarded. He already has made striking examples of French red tape and inefficiency to relate. He, however, finds his task extremely difficult, for he states that various government departments are "passing the buck" from one to another. Indirectly he believes the American army authorities are in part to blame—firstly, it is stated, because they continued to dispose of their stocks after having sold them to France, and secondly, because some of the goods were shipped back to America. Information which M. Vavasour has received tends to show that 2,500 cars which should have been left in France were sent back to America. In this connection, however, he points out that the liquidation department only took charge of them in August. When this was done incompetent persons were placed in command of the camps, he alleges. At one place a poet had charge, and he began his new duties by giving beautiful poetic names to his typists. He sold goods right and left at any price, and M. Vavasour says he cost France many millions. The recorder estimates that France will face a large deficit on the American stock transactions.

THE "OLD RELIABLE" THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

White Haired Alabama Lady Says She Has Seen Medicines Come and Go But The "Old Reliable" Theford's Black-Draught Came and Stayed.

Dutton, Ala.—In recommending Theford's Black-Draught to her friends and neighbors here, Mrs. T. F. Parks, a well-known Jackson County lady, said: "I am getting up in years; my head is pretty white. I have seen medicines and remedies come and go but the old reliable came and stayed. I am talking of Black-Draught, a liver medicine we have used for years—one that can be depended upon and one that will do the work. "Black-Draught will relieve indigestion and constipation if taken right, and I know for I tried it. It is the best thing I have ever found for the full, uncomfortable feeling after meals. Sour stomach and sick headache can be relieved by taking Black-Draught. It aids digestion, also assists the liver in throwing off impurities. I am glad to recommend Black-Draught, and do, to my friends and neighbors." Theford's Black-Draught is a standard household remedy with a record of over seventy years of successful use. Every one occasionally needs something to help cleanse the system of impurities. Try Black-Draught. Insist upon Theford's, the genuine. At all druggists.

SENATOR URGED TO FAVOR BILL AS SCHOOL AID

Officers and directors of the Cisco chamber of commerce are signing a communication addressed to John A. Russell at Austin, who is the senator representing Eastland county at the present legislature, in regard to a house bill asking a school appropriation.

The text of the letter is as follows:

"Believing that the appropriation of \$5,000,000 from the general fund to supplement the scholastic appropriation for the public schools, asked for in the house bill 351 and senate bill 178, is absolutely necessary in order to keep the schools of our great state from retrograding and that no interest of the commonwealth should take precedence over the public schools which exist for the education of the youth of the land, we respectfully urge you to support this measure for the salvation of our school."

The cottage being erected by J. H. Latson, on Second street, is about completed and will shortly be occupied by J. P. Flynn and family. Mr. Flynn is general manager of the C. & N. E. railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Patrick are both quite ill with a gripple. The Delta Eta Club was postponed Friday because of the serious illness of Mrs. Eugene Bell's grandmother.

INJUNCTION IS ASKED TO STOP PRICE RAISING

Suit Under Direction of Attorney General Palmer is Started Against Southern Pine Association — Charges Include Violation of Sherman Anti-Trust Law — Suit Asks Restraint in Suggesting or Acts Tending to Result in Production Cut.

Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 23.—The government today asked a permanent injunction restraining the Southern Pine association in its alleged activities in fixing lumber prices. About sixty corporations and sixty individuals are named in the suit under the direction of Attorney General Palmer.

The suit was filed in the United States district court by District Attorney Carroll by direction of the attorney general. It charges violation of the Sherman anti-trust law by the association and asks a preliminary injunction to restrain the organization from recommending or suggesting a curtailment or restriction of the production of yellow pine, "or measures or acts tending to result in such curtailment or restriction."

Herman Leveridge, a fourteen-year-old boy of Scranton, died Saturday of typhoid fever. Burial will be made today in the Scranton cemetery.

Advertisement for Crustene featuring a house illustration and text: 'There's no place like home but what would home be without a good Crustene? Buy your Crustene from him.' Includes a can of Crustene and contact information for Magnolia Provision Co., Houston, Texas.

BRECKENRIDGE WELL MAKES 14,000

Special to the News. BRECKENRIDGE, Feb. 23.—The Walker and Perkins tract yesterday introduced another great gusher in the Breckenridge field. This well it is estimated is making 15,000 barrels and gives promise of exceeding the biggest yet drilled in the Breckenridge field. There is a great deal of excitement over the coming in of this well and a number of others which are on top of the sand and preparing to drill in.

ASK ASSISTANCE FOR STATE WIDE 1921 RAT FIGHT

Preparation for a Texas state-wide rat campaign. C. H. Park, secretary of the allied agencies in charge of the plan, is issuing a large number of letters asking support in the fight to free Texas from the rodents which cost the state thousands of dollars annually.

The state-wide campaign was organized at a meeting attended by representatives of many prominent state and municipal organizations, including the extension department of A. and M. college, state departments of agriculture and labor, Texas Parent-Teachers' association, Texas Federation of Women's clubs, state board of health and the American Red Cross public health service.

The letter, a copy being received by the Chamber of Commerce, in part is as follows: "An appeal has been made to the bureau of biological survey, United States Department of Agriculture, for the services of a director to supervise the campaign. This has been furnished by the bureau and the director has drawn up a bill which approximates \$50,000 per year for two years, and furnishes machinery for the proper execution of the campaign, authorizing commissioners' courts and city governments to undertake the work under expert supervision furnished by the provisions of the bill. This bill has been introduced as House Bill No. 256, by Burmeister, has received a favorable report from the committee to which it was referred, and is now in the hands of the printer.

"Realizing the importance of the malaria problem confronting us in a large section of the state, the destruction of mosquitoes was later added to the bill. "On February 4, a second and a third meeting was held, at which the provisions of the bill were discussed and endorsed. The bill also has the unqualified endorsement of the state health department.

"In order that the legislature now in session may be made to realize the importance of this bill and that it be raised to its proper command of respect, it is most urgently requested that you take individual and collective action to endorse this bill and urge its passage. Failure to do so promptly may result in no aid in helping you solve your rat and malaria problems. If your section is not affected by the bill, remember other sections of the state are dependent upon it to make meat and bread, for the protection of their health, for their very lives."

HAS PROHI PLAN AS AID TO STOP U. S. 'CONDITION'

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—Dr. Russell M. Conwell, president of Temple University, today submitted a proposal to amend the federal prohibition amendment, as an aid in ending conditions caused "by a wide divergence in its interpretation, which now breeds a disrespect for all law," to hundreds of recognized leaders of various activities throughout the nation.

When you make a visit out of town or have an out of town guest or any news item, call phone 59 or 515.

ARGUMENTS ARE HEARD RELATIVE TO MEDICAL LAW

Ten Public Health Committees of House and Senate Meet in Joint Session — State Medical Board Members Open Arguments for Proponer of New Bill Revising Weak Points of Present Law — Opinion on Dean Law Upheld.

AUSTIN, Feb. 23.—Ten public health committees of the house and senate met in joint session today to hear arguments for and against a bill revising the present law where it is now unenforceable. The bill was prepared by the state board of medical examiners.

Dr. Holman Taylor, of Fort Worth, secretary of the state medical association, and Dr. T. J. Crow, of Dallas, a member of the board of medical examiners, opened arguments for the proponents of the bill. Further hearings were postponed until tonight.

Osteopaths, chiropractors eclectics and members of religious faiths disbelieving in the administering of medicine were represented before the committee.

AUSTIN, Feb. 23.—Overruling a motion in a rehearing of the case of J. W. Gilmore, of Collin county, Associate Judge Hawkins, a new member of the court, today upheld a former majority opinion of the court criminal appeals in holding as constitutional the so-called transportation feature of the Dean prohibition law. Gilmore applied to the court for a writ of habeas corpus, attacking the constitutionality of the feature.

AUSTIN, Feb. 23.—Associate Judge Frank Lee Hawkins today agreed with majority of the court over the operation of Sunday pictures in violation of the Sunday law, in an opinion on a motion for a rehearing in the case of J. J. Pegman which was over-ruled.

Pegman, who is owner of the moving picture theater was convicted in the county court of Travis of violating the Sunday law and fined \$20. A majority of the court of criminal appeals held that the operation of Sunday movies was in violation of the law prohibiting Sunday amusements.

AUSTIN, Feb. 23.—The house bill providing for the organization of a cooperative marketing association, finally passed the senate today. The house emergency appropriation bill finally passed the senate with an amendment carrying \$20,000 to repair the governor's mansion.

TWO CADETS ARE KILLED IN FALL AT PENN FIELD

AUSTIN, Feb. 23.—Cadets E. E. Allen and Virgil Beach, both of Kelly Field No. 2, at San Antonio, were instantly killed today when their plane crashed at Penn Field, a mile south of here, as they were taking off for San Antonio.

The plane had just taken off and attained a height of 500 feet, when it crashed to the ground. Witnesses said they saw both men trying frantically to right the plane. They heard one man cry out just before the crash.

The body of a dog, which the men had picked up before leaving, was found pressed between the bodies of the men.

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 23.—Cadets Allen and Beach, killed near Austin today in a plane crash, were leading a seven-ship formation which left Kelly Field early today on a practice flight. The ship and bodies were badly burned.

Allen was from Columbus, Ga., and Beach from Nashville, Tenn.

POLITE EXPRESSION OF REGRET BY JAPS ENDS FATALITY ACT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The incident of the fatal shooting by a Japanese sentry of Lieutenant Langdon, an American naval officer, at Vladivostok last month, is regarded by officials today as definitely closed, except as to the matter of reparations as a result of the action of the Japanese government in punishing those responsible for the tragedy, and a renewed expression of regret conveyed in a recent reply to the American note, according to Secretary of State Coubly.

CHURCH AWAKENED TO ITS MANY RESOURCES BY WAR SAYS BISHOP

Associated Press. BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 23.—The world war has awakened the church to its tremendous resources, Bishop Thomas Nicholson told the delegates to the annual meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Council of Cities here today. "The latest figures give the direct and indirect costs of the world war to be \$248,000,000,000 in money and 43,000,000 lives," he said. "It is within the power of the church to make impossible another such world catastrophe."

Bishop Nicholson pleaded for a development of progress and modern business methods in the church. "We must have faith in ourselves," he said, "and in our ability to do and to give, and we must be willing to bring the methods of work of the modern church up on a scale commensurate with the progress and development of modern business methods."

PERSONAL MENTION

The Chamber of Commerce meets in regular session tonight, in the Huey building. All directors and members are urged to be present and a cordial invitation is extended to the general public.

Miss Lillian Wilson of Gorman, is visiting in Cisco.

James McLeister and Miss Aileen Key were married February 11 by Justice of the Peace A. E. Baten. They will reside in Fort Worth, at 415 Grand avenue.

T. D. Mitchell, Jr., manager of the Central Motor company, left Saturday night for Gainesville, to attend the funeral of his father, T. D. Mitchell, Sr., who died suddenly at his home. Mr. Mitchell is survived by his wife and four children.

W. T. Cushing, a prominent oil man of Fort Worth, is in Cisco. The farmers and merchants of Cisco territory will have a rabbit drive Thursday. Everyone is requested to meet at Dothan by 9 o'clock Thursday morning. The drive will extend north of Dothan. Rabbits have become such a menace in that section that it has become necessary to destroy them. An interesting feature of this drive will be the dinner served on the grounds by the farmers.

Mrs. W. H. Gregory of Columbus, Ohio, returned to her home Sunday, after a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Davis, of Humbletown, and sister, Mrs. C. R. Donovan, of Cisco.

Arthur Garrett of Wichita Falls, is the guest of his brother, H. S. Garrett. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Winchell returned last night from Waco, Milford and Fort Worth. Miss Addie Mary, student of P. C. Milford, accompanied her parents as far as Fort Worth.

Mrs. R. R. Gracy returned yesterday from Breckenridge.

Miss Maybelle McDaniel spent the week-end in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Winters of Clinton, Mo., are the guests of their niece, Mrs. G. C. Lingie.

Little Miss Helen Flanagan, who resides in the Mancill addition, has had an operation on her eye. She is reported to be doing nicely today.

Mrs. J. T. Berry will entertain the Thursday Party-Two Club at 3 o'clock.

The Senior Endeavor Society of the Methodist church is giving a party this evening in the basement of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winters of Clinton, Mo., are the guests of Mrs. H. L. Winchell.

E. S. Huey returned home Sunday morning from Dallas, where he has been in a sanitarium. He is still confined to his room.

Norman McMurry spent Sunday in Dallas.

Mrs. A. H. Hall spent yesterday in Parks, the guest of her daughter.

J. W. Triplett, Dr. A. L. Gailbreath, Henry Hawkins and C. H. Drury were in Leary Sunday.

Judge Ben S. Baldwin has moved his offices from the Alexander building to the Broadway theater building.

Mrs. A. H. Johnson returned to Eastland this morning, after a short visit to her sister, Mrs. J. J. Winston.

Mrs. T. E. Brown and baby left this morning for Hubbard, to visit her father.

C. V. Rominger spent Saturday in Abilene.

E. E. Jones, with the Bovard Supply company, is in Eastland today.

Miss Lucille is entertaining this afternoon for her house guest, Miss Bettie Rawls, of Dallas.

L. E. Payne of Abilene, spent Sunday in Cisco, and sang at the morning services of the Baptist church.

W. J. Barnes was over from Eastland yesterday.

Mrs. Leon Maner has returned from Sweetwater, where she visited her parents.

The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. C. Le Veaux.

Both Circles of the Methodist Missionary Society will meet tomorrow afternoon in the church basement in a social and work meeting.

"The Lubricator" is the new church paper, issued for the first time yesterday, by the First Baptist church. It contains all church news and programs for the coming week, also a message for each member.

R. E. Glaze, with the traffic department of the telephone company of Fort Worth, is in the city.

Judge Ben S. Baldwin went to Eastland today on official business.

Dr. Hugh Wisdom, after spending several weeks in Cisco, looking over the oil situation in this section, returned to his home in Chicago Saturday.

Frank Stone, drilling contractor at Leary, was a business visitor here yesterday and today.

W. O. Morton, in the law business at Breckenridge, was a Cisco visitor today.

W. C. Dodd, superintendent of the Sterling Oil company, was in Eastland today attending to business for the company.

W. Hinthorne, drilling contractor from Gorman, was a Cisco visitor a short time today, en route to Stephens county.

John Smith, John Smith of Ranger, returned home today after a week-end visit with C. S. Looney, father of Mrs. Smith.

H. S. Stubbfield, county road commissioner for the Cisco precinct, was an Eastland business visitor today.

Hoasa Poe, a former Cisco resident but now of Kansas City, is again greeting friends and renewing old acquaintances.

Rev. C. G. Howard attended the Baptist Workers' conference in Moran yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Fulwiler came in from Breckenridge yesterday. They left last night for Dallas and from there Mrs. Fulwiler will go to Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fulwiler of Abilene, were in Cisco Tuesday.

Born Monday, to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle McFarland, an eleven-pound boy.

Will McDermott arrived from Fort Worth yesterday to visit his nephew, J. E. McDermott.

L. C. Findley, with the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, is making a visit stay in Cisco this week.

Morgan Jones, an official of the Texas & Pacific railroad, is in Cisco on business.

CISCO AWARDED 1921 CONVENTION OF METHODISTS

Cisco has been awarded the 1921 convention of the Central Texas Methodist Episcopal church conference, according to a letter received yesterday by Rev. L. N. Stuckey, Methodist pastor here, from J. B. Berry, secretary of the Central Texas annual Methodist conference committee. The letter, which indicates the position that Cisco occupies in church circles, is as follows:

"I am authorized to say to you that the commission on entertainment of the Central conference has fixed the place of entertainment of the conference for the next session at Cisco. We were very much delighted with the spirit that you manifested in your invitation. I feel confident that you and your good people will give the conference a royal entertainment. I trust that you may have a very good time. It is your custom to do big things."

The 1921 conference will be held throughout one week of November, the exact dates not having been decided to date. There are ten districts in the conference; Brownwood, Cisco, Cleburne, Corsicana, Fort Worth, Gatesville, Georgetown, Waco, Waxahatchie and Weatherford. There are 225 pastoral charges and 550 churches.

The conference represents a membership of 81,000 members and is one of the largest annual conferences in the entire southern district of the Methodist church. Within the bounds of the conference is property valued at \$5,500,000, of which \$3,200,000 is invested in church buildings, \$702,000 in parsonages and other church property including schools, makes up the remainder of the total.

It is expected that between 400 and 500 delegates will attend the conference this year and the number coming to Cisco as visitors will reach a like total. The 1920 conference was held in Fort Worth, providing a great attraction, and the year previous Waco entertained the delegates.

The Cisco chamber of commerce issued the invitation which brought the conference here and will be in charge of the entertainment of the delegates, arrangements having been made on the "Harvard plan," which means that Ciscoans will furnish the delegates places to sleep and provide breakfasts in their homes. The conference through the delegates will pay for dinners and suppers, which item will mean additional business for Cisco restaurants.

The sessions of the conference will be held in the First Methodist church.

The chamber of commerce will make arrangements for housing the delegates and also arrange for a number of special trips to points of interest in and near Cisco and provide for their entertainment.

SENATE LIMITS ALIENS. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The senate and house today agreed to the senate bill limiting immigration of aliens next year to three per cent of the number in the United States when the 1910 census was taken.

SHOULDER BROKEN IN ACCIDENT WHEN KATY ENGINE HITS WAGON

John Noble, residing five miles southeast of Cisco, had his left shoulder broken yesterday afternoon, when he was struck by the M. K. & T. train No. 37 arriving in Cisco at 3:30 from Waco. He was treated by Dr. J. W. Howell, physician for the railroad company.

Noble's injury is the only one reported in the accident, occurring on East Fourteenth street at the intersection of the railroad tracks. He was riding in a wagon with two neighbor friends, the party returning home after a trip to Cisco. A team of horses escaped injury but the wagon was badly damaged.

YOUNG MAN AWAITING HEARING FOR THEFT REPORTED AT DOTHAN

Ira Williams, aged twenty-one years, was arrested at Baird yesterday and taken to the county jail at Eastland by C. S. Looney, deputy sheriff. He is being held on a charge of robbing the home of Jack Barnes, residing near the Pippin well, in the Dothan district.

Loot reported stolen by the youthful burglar included shoes, a shot gun and a raincoat.

CISCOANS ESCAPE UNHURT IN WRECK NEAR EASTLAND. A number of Ciscoans were en route from Fort Worth to Cisco Friday night on the Sunshine special, which was partially wrecked between Ranger and Eastland. The train arrived in Cisco several hours late. None of the local passengers were injured. The engineer and fireman sustained slight injuries and were taken to Fort Worth.

"A SHINE IN EVERY DROP" Black Silk Stove Polish. Get a Can TODAY

WOMAN IS TOWN AUDITOR. SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 22.—Mrs. Alice Millett Kyles, of Huntington, has the distinction of being the first woman in Massachusetts to be elected town auditor. She was chosen at the annual town meeting.

MASSACHUSETTS IS FREE FROM TYPHUS FEVER. BOSTON, Feb. 22.—There is no typhus in Massachusetts, according to Dr. Bernard W. Carey, in charge of the infectious and communicable disease section of the state board of health.

THIS WILL ASTONISH CISCO PEOPLE. The quick action of simple witch-hazel, hydrastis, camphor, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash, will surprise Cisco people. One girl with weak, strained eyes was helped by a single application. Her mother could hardly sew or read because of eye pains. In one week she too was benefited. We guarantee a small bottle of Lavoptik to help ANY CASE weak, strained or inflamed eyes. Alumni-

C. OF C. SECRETARY PLANS COUNTY MEETING HERE. Secretary G. C. Richardson of the chamber of commerce, has arranged for a meeting of all the secretaries of the chambers of commerce in Eastland county at Cisco in the near future to discuss plans for securing a county agent for Eastland county. It is generally agreed that a county agent will be of great assistance in the present movement to improve the farming conditions and raise the standard of livestock and farm products in Eastland county.

"Do Rats Talk to Each Other?" Asks Mr. M. Batty, R. I. "I got five cakes of Rat-Snap and three pieces around feed store. Got about half a dozen dead rats in a day for two solid weeks. Suddenly, they got better. Now we haven't any. Who told them about Rat-Snap? Rats dry up and leave no smell. Three sizes: 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by GEEB BROS. CO. EVERYBODY'S STORE

REMEMBER to ask your grocer for Calumet Baking Powder and be sure that you get it—the Indian head on the orange label. Then forget about bake day failures. For you will never have any. Calumet always produces the sweetest and most palatable foods. And now remember, you always use less than of most other brands because it possesses greater leavening strength.

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Found can of Calumet contains full 16 oz. Some baking powders come in 12 oz. instead of 16 oz. cans. Be sure you get a pound when you want it.

Calumet Columbia Recipe — 4 cups sifted flour, 4 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 eggs, 2 cups of sweet milk. Then mix in the regular way.