

Boy Shot To Death By Officers At Tahoka

Delinquent Tax Payments To City \$14,066 For Nine Months; \$10,000 More Than Expected For Year

Estimate For Budget Purposes At Beginning Of Fiscal Year Car Outstripped; General Fund Larger

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS: The National

Whirligig

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WASHINGTON By Paul Mallon

Farm Bill

The White House is gently pulling the few wires it has left in Congress to block the farm bill. Presidential Secretary Newton has been up to the House buzzing in the ears of friends. They got the idea the President is not as eager to veto the Allotment Plan as he is to wield the axe on beer. A bad political reaction in the West is certain to follow a farm veto. It would be much nicer to have the whole thing go over until Roosevelt comes in.

Democrats heard about Newton's activity. It made them doubly anxious to lay the baby on the White House doorstep before Mr. Hoover goes out.

There is not the slightest chance in the world that Mr. Hoover could be induced to sign the bill. It is personally distasteful to him. Changing its name to the Parity Bill instead of the Allotment Plan will not make it look like a rose to him. The Democrats rechristened the measure for other private reasons. Farmers do not like the word Allotment. Parity sounds better. Also the old Allotment Plan was originally sponsored in Republican quarters. Senator McNary had it in his three-way bill at the last session. Calling it Parity makes it sound like something different.

In some minor details it is essentially it is not. Public Presidential opposition to the farm plan will be based on constitutional grounds. The Attorney General has been looking the matter over privately. He is already preparing to rule its constitutionality doubtful. The idea is that the measure proposes price fixing and requires farmers to accept it.

That question will not be determined until the Supreme Court speaks.

A most packer lobbyist is bragging to friends that the increase in hog prices last spring was a put-up job. He claims it had political ramifications.

Members of the House put some credence in the yarn but there is no proof of it.

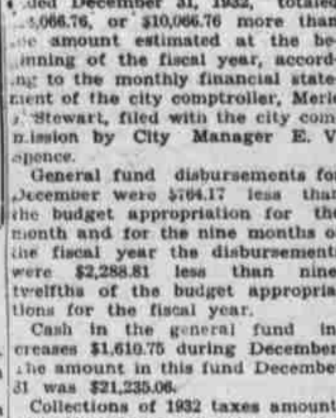
There is proof that the packers have been the leading opponents of the Allotment Bill. They are connected with shippers in all sections. These shippers have been pleading with Congressmen in opposition to the bill. They claim it would ruin the hog market.

Some House members received as many as ten telegrams a day from shipping sources. It had no appreciable effect.

Mr. Roosevelt forcefully answered House rumors that he opposed the farm bill by sending his Columbia prairie Rex Tugwell down here while the House was considering it. Tugwell readily admitted it was a price-fixing bill in executive meetings with the farm bloc. He thought the wording would curtail around constitutional objections.

Federal Reserve
An important change is impending in the Federal Reserve Board. Mr. Roosevelt will name three members as soon as he comes in. Only two Republicans will remain counting Governor Mye as a Republican. The three Mr. Roosevelt will name include the Secretary of Treasury, the Comptroller of Currency and a replacement for Weyland Magee, whose term expires shortly.

Queen Of Cowgirls



Ellen Davis of Clayton, N. M., will compete for that title in the annual "old western dance" at Clayton late in January. She won last year. (Associated Press Photo)

\$35,000 Cash Taken By Two Bank Robbers

Former Cleveland City Official Grabs Gun, Wounds Bandit

Cleveland (AP)—A robber escaped with \$35,000 cash in a hold up of the Commercial Savings and Loan company of Berea, a suburb Thursday after a gun fight in which his companion was shot and captured.

Boy Scouts Will Govern City One Day

Official Staff To Be Replaced By Local Troop Members

February 11 the city official personnel will abdicate in favor of Boy Scouts.

Victim Of Injuries In Street Accident To Be Buried Friday

Funeral services for John Jackson, 71, who died Wednesday night of injuries received five days ago when struck by an automobile at First and Main streets, will be held from the Charles Eberly chapel at 11 a. m. Friday, with a Methodist minister officiating.

Two Dead, Million Loss In Southern California Storm

LOS ANGELES (AP)—In the wake of the most terrific windstorm on record Southern California Thursday counted two dead and three missing.

Spanish Extremists Bombed By Guardsmen

MADRID (AP)—Nineteen extremists engaged in anti-government activities were reported killed Thursday when civil guards and assault units bombed a house at Casajuan 87.

Rural Schools To Share In \$976 Of State Funds

One dollar of the 1935 state apportionment has been received here for distribution to rural schools and for administrative costs.

Fairer Basis For Taxation Sterling Plea

Final Message To Legislature Delivered By Executive

AUSTIN (AP)—The forty-third legislature Thursday heard Governor Sterling's final message.

The legislators listened in silence as the governor gave an accounting of his stewardship of the past two years and recommended legislation he believed would place the government on a more substantial basis in the future.

Presentation of the message was interrupted for consideration by the house of a senate resolution proposing per diem pay of legislators be fixed at \$8 instead of the constitutional maximum of \$10.

State National Elevates R. W. Currie; Mr. Douthit On First National Board

Election of Robert W. Currie, Indiana, as vice president of the State National bank and appointment of Ellis Douthit as director of the First National bank were the only changes made in personnel of officers and directors of the three Big Spring banks following annual meetings of their directors and stockholders Tuesday.

R R Kay, 25, Buried Here

Luther Man Fatally Hurt In Automobile Accident Tuesday

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Thursday at the Charles Tery chapel for Roy Roosevelt Kay, 25, who was injured fatally when his car overturned near Luther, Howard county, late Tuesday.

Dallas-Los Angeles Air Mail Line Not To Be Discontinued, Officials Of Post Office Department Declares

Congressman Thomason Reports Conference With Second Assistant Postmaster General At Washington

Fears that mail service might be discontinued on the Dallas-Los Angeles section of American Airways' Southern Transcontinental line were greatly allayed Thursday with receipt of a telegram to the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce from Congressman R. E. Thomason of this district.

Says Money Is Not First Need Of Club

Kiwanis Education Theme Of Weekly Program Of Local Club

Mental and physical more than financial effort are needed to fulfill the more important missions of a service club, members of the Kiwanis club were told Thursday at the Crawford hotel by Garland A. Woodward, who was chairman of a program on Kiwanis education in which G. R. Porter joined in an address on "what Kiwanis is, and what Kiwanis is not."

Charges For Bonds, Licenses And Inspection Fees Reduced By City Pending Revision Of Ordinances

Charges for bonds, license, renewal, and inspection fees have been reduced pending a permanent revision of the city ordinances governing plumbing, gas fitting, and electrical work.

Dispute Over Chicken Sale Causes Fight

Officers Called By Suspicious Produce House Manager

TAHOKA (AP)—Walter Luckley, about 21, was shot and killed Thursday after an altercation with Tahoka officers who arrested him and a companion after a disturbance at a produce house.

House Refuses To Reduce Pay

Senators 'Playing Politics' Lower Branch Members Say

AUSTIN (AP)—The lower house of the legislature Thursday refused to concur with senate action of Wednesday which reduced members' pay from ten to eight dollars per day.

Burial Sunday For H. DeVries

Body To Be Sent Friday To Indianapolis For Interment

Henry DeVries, 56, who died in a local hospital at 1:10 p. m. Wednesday, will be buried in Indianapolis, Indiana, Sunday. Services were to be held at the Charles Eberly Funeral Home at 4 p. m. Thursday with Max S. Jacobs, reading ritual of the Jewish Reformed church.

FAT O'KEEFE DIES

DALLAS (AP)—Pat O'Keefe, 64, well known at national Democratic conventions, died Thursday.

The Weather

Big Spring and vicinity—Fair tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.

New York Cotton			
	Opus.	High	Low
Jan.	620	622	620
Mar.	620-22	622	618-19
May	624-25	646	632
July	646	658	642
Oct.	666-67	677	664
Dec.	678-79	689	676

New Orleans Cotton			
	Opus.	High	Low
Jan.	620	620	620
Mar.	620	622	618-19
May	620-31	642	628-29
July	643	654	640-44
Oct.	663	670	660
Dec.	674	681	674

Chicago Grain Close			
	Wheat	Barley	Rye
May wheat	49 1/4	1-3	1-3
July wheat	48 1/2	1-2	1-3
May corn	37 1/8		
July corn	38 1/4		
May oats	37 1/4		
July oats	37 1/8		

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TODAY and TOMORROW

By WALTER LIPPMANN

The Franco-American Estrangement

Senator Borah is the first American holding a responsible position to raise the question whether the French people are justified in believing that if they gave up reparations they might in justice look to a reconsideration of the debt.

The question is how far the Administration gave M. Laval grounds for believing that France was entitled to a reconsideration of her debt.

The first item in the record is the proposal of the Hoover Memorandum on June 21, 1931. In this document, which was issued without consulting France, Mr. Hoover offered to postpone all payments upon the debts of foreign governments to the American government payable during the fiscal year beginning July 1 next, conditional on a like postponement for one year all payments on intergovernmental debts owing the important creditor powers.

It must be recalled that this proposal violated the terms of the Young Plan under which Germany was paying reparations. For the Young Plan divided German payments into two parts. The first part, amounting to 612 million Reichsmarks, was designated as "unconditional" and was payable without any right of postponement of any kind in foreign currencies.

ood step? It was, according to the Hoover-Laval statement "that prior to the expiration of the Hoover year... some agreement... may be necessary covering the period of business depression."

Midland Eastern Star Honors Mrs. Ward, Its Founder, At Meeting

Mrs. John Ward, of Berkeley, Calif., who has spent six weeks in Big Spring visiting friends, was honored by a meeting of the Midland Eastern Star Tuesday evening.

Three grand officers, Mrs. Florence Reed of Coahoma, district deputy grand matron, Mrs. Addie Phillips of Coahoma, grand representative and District Judge Charles L. Klapproth of Midland, grand sentinel, were present.

G. D. Frazier of Fort Worth read and presented flowers to Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Hendrix of Odessa installed Mrs. J. S. Mitchell of Midland as marshal and Mrs. H. H. Watson as Ruth.

Two representatives of out-of-state chapters, Mrs. A. P. Nelson of Los Angeles and Mrs. T. E. Flood of Midland whose membership in the Midland Eastern Star is well known in this matter is well known in a public statement by June 20.

It is indisputable from this statement that (a) Mr. Hoover intended to discuss "intergovernmental debts"; that is, debts and reparations with M. Laval; (b) that he desired an adjustment of debts "during the period of the depression"; (c) that he looked forward to "negotiations with foreign governments" on the subject.

M. Laval arrived about two weeks later and from October 23 to October 25 he and his staff held conversations with the President and other American officials. At the conclusion M. Laval and Mr. Hoover issued a joint statement, which as regards debts, said the following:

In so far as intergovernmental debts are concerned, we recognize that prior to the expiration of the Hoover year of postponement some agreement regarding them may be necessary covering the period of business depression, as to the terms and conditions of which the two governments make all reservations. The initiative in this matter should be taken at an early date by the European powers principally concerned within the framework of the agreements existing prior to July 1, 1931.

This is the third item in the record and the crux of the dispute is in the last sentence. What does it mean to take "the initiative"? According to the Oxford Dictionary, it means to take "the first step." The European powers must take the first step. But a first step implies a second step. Can any one deny that? And what was this second step?

Dr. Bennett gave a short address, expressing his personal hope for success of the Kiwanis club. He said the Rotary club had outlived the practice of calling upon guests for speeches after the regular programs are finished, saying that "Mr. So and So usually doesn't have a message for you and even if he does you don't want to hear it."

President Carl Blomshild said he would expect report from the committee on underprivileged children, (Dr. Lee O. Rogers and Harvey Clay) and the committee on laws and regulations (Thomas J. Coffee and Edward Lowe) at the next meeting.

President Blomshild has announced the following standing committees: Agriculture—George G. White, Joyce Fisher.

Attendance—Calvin Boykin, L. A. Eubanks. Business Standards—T. W. Davis, Bernard Fisher.

Classification and Membership—G. R. Porter, John A. Cummings. Finance—T. S. Currie, Victor Melinger.

House—D. W. Webber and Ralph Lanck. Inter-Club Relations—J. L. Webb and T. G. Graham.

Kiwanis Education—G. A. Woodward, Merle J. Stewart. Laws and Regulations—Thos. J. Coffee, Edward Lowe.

Music—Jack Ellis, Wendell Bedchek. Program—J. Richard Spann.

Public Affairs—Ray Wilcox, Jess Slaughter. Publicity and Reception—Loy Acuff and J. Calvin Loper.

Under-Privileged Child—Lee O. Rogers, Harvey Clay. Vocational Guidance—J. R. Dilard, James Little.

FAIRER—(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) The changed conditions call for a far-reaching curtailment of public expenditures, to resolve the state's budget back to the shrunken level of values and the people's ability to pay.

Primary Problem Pointing out that condition as "the primary problem" that confronts the legislature, he said "great progress toward its solution has been made during the time I served as chief executive."

"But there is still much to be done in that direction, especially since the electorate of Texas has adopted a constitutional amendment exempting homesteads from state taxes to the extent of \$3,000 assessed valuation," the retiring governor said.

"This leaves a hole in the state's income estimated at from \$3,000,000 to \$7,000,000; a hole which must be filled by either that much additional new revenue or that much reduction in state expenditures, or some of both. My own view is that the reinvestment course is the right one, and for the sake of the public welfare, I sincerely hope that in your wisdom you will adopt it."

Governor Sterling said recommendations of the commission on organization and economy "are in the main disappointing."

The committee had employed a Chicago firm of consultants in administration and finance to assist in preparing its recommendations.

The changes it proposes would tend to concentrate the activities of the state too much in the hands of the governor, and for that reason I do not believe the report prepared by those experts from the north will be acceptable to the people of this Democratic state," the governor said.

"While advocating a general upheaval that would throw the state into chaos, they have failed to show that the reorganization would result in any savings. Under the suggested program many functions of government would be shuffled and shifted around, let alone departments with changed names, in place of those that have been functioning for many years, yet without materially decreasing the number of agencies."

Approves Some "Some of the recommended changes meet with my approval, but in the program as a whole I can see no hope of improving the state government. For instance, to mention only one of numerous proposals, which I regard as very unwise, it advocates putting one administrative officer in charge of vast affairs of the highway department, and doing away with the highway commissioners, who were selected by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. To my mind that would be disastrous to the highway department. Considering the splendid accomplishments of the department, controlled by three efficient commissioners, it occurs to me that it would be folly to attempt to experiment with such radical changes."

Governor Sterling said taxation of homes, farms, ranches and other property should be discontinued for state purposes.

"It violates the constitutional mandate that taxes shall be equal and uniform," he said, "with a separate board of equalization in each of the 254 counties, valuations for tax purposes vary all the way from 25 per cent to 90 per cent of the true value of the property. Thus some counties contribute more than their share toward the support of the state government, while others give less than their share. Such inequality is unjustifiable. Moreover, it is grossly unfair to saddle the bulk of taxation upon those whose assets happen to be in physical property while others more able to pay are exempt from taxation."

He said the ad valorem tax system should be "continued as a local

tax; but the state should turn to other sources." He expressed doubt, however, if either the income tax or the consumer's sales tax "would fully supplement the state ad valorem tax in Texas, unless the rate were made unreasonably high."

"It occurs to me that a well balanced plan for this state if it could be worked out practically, would be a combination system of property taxes for local governments and both a sales tax and an income tax for state purposes, each made only high enough to raise the funds necessary for a frugal administration," he said.

"The sales tax would compel all people to contribute their bit toward the maintenance of the state government according to the amount of life's necessities and luxuries they purchase, and as they purchase them. The income tax, scaled so that it would not place an undue burden upon the person of small means who would also have to pay the sales tax, would equalize the load of those with larger incomes, whose consumption of the things subject to the sales tax is not nearly so much greater than that of the 'little man' as is their wealth and ability to pay. The income tax would reach many who now practically escape taxation, though their resources are greater than those of property owners who now bear the main burden of the cost of government."

Governor discussed accomplishments of his administration, which included: Vetted \$3,821,897 of the biennial appropriations to meet an "indicated deficit of about \$4,500,000 that confronted the state at the outset of my administration."

A saving of \$500,000 annually by detections of an investigating committee of "the collection of fraudulent fees by certain county and district officers."

Savings of \$500,000 annually by industrial reforms and efficient management of the Texas penitentiary system.

Efficient management of eleemosynary institutions made it possible to turn back into the treasury about \$1,016,000 appropriated for their operation, the past year, while about 1,900 additional wards were cared for.

Military Control Military control of the East Texas oil field and passage of laws to conserve oil petroleum pools so as to properly allocate that natural resource to its rightful owners and at an "actual known savings of many millions of dollars to gross production taxes and property taxes, realized from the stabilization of production."

Development for oil of the Sabine river bed and its recovery for the state of its share of the petroleum estimated to ultimately amount "to from three to six million dollars."

Assumption by the state gasoline tax fund of outstanding county bonds issued for the purpose of building highways now a part of the state system. He also advocated submission of a constitutional amendment designed to make this plan of tax relief permanent.

Administration of relief to Texas communities through the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the aid having been distributed through the chief executive of the state.

In advocating election law changes, Governor Sterling recommended adoption of the automatic voting machine.

He said the absentee voting law "should promptly be amended, so as to permit balloting in any box only by those honestly entitled to vote there."

He urged submission of a proposed constitutional amendment to increase the governor's term of office from two to four years.

Four Year Term "No matter how capable and adaptable a newly-elected governor may be, it requires months for him to gain the knowledge of his office that is necessary for full efficiency," he said. "And then, he works at this full efficiency scarcely more than a year before he is subjected to the harassing political demands of a campaign for reelection. Thus he is compelled to neglect his duties for a considerable length of time, at an expense which he can ill afford, if he be a man of modest private means."

"For the same reasons," he said, he suggested that terms of state representatives be increased to four years and senators' terms lengthened from four to six years.

"Indeed, it would be immensely beneficial to the state and its people to lengthen the terms of all state, county and district offices to four years, so that the people would be spared the irritation and expense of biennial elections, and the offices themselves would be spared the ill of neglect and the chaos of frequently changing administrations."

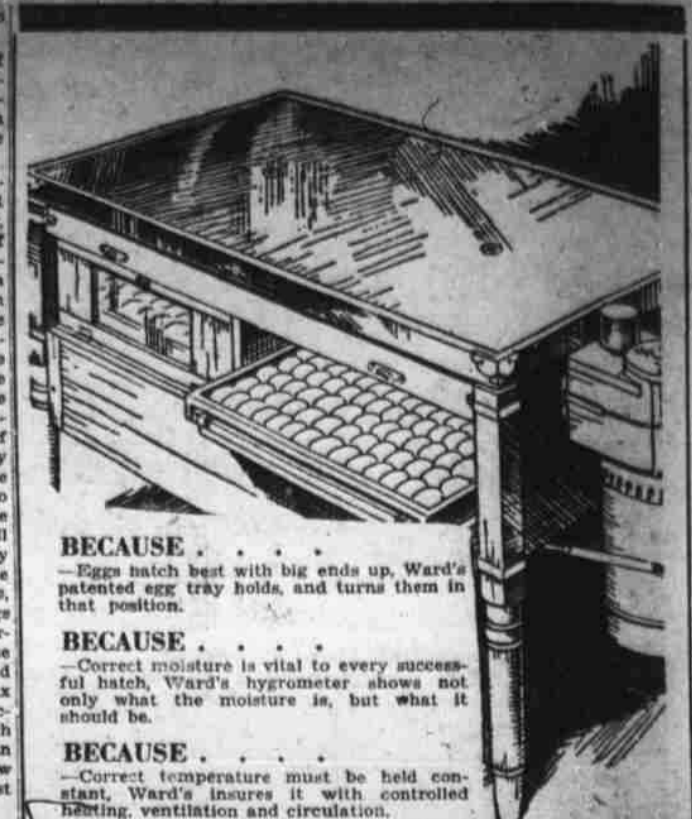
Praising work of the state highway department for the past six years, the governor said that "within that span Texas has been lifted out of the mud."

Reviewing efforts of the Live-stock Sanitary Commission to rid the state of fever ticks he said with proper cooperation this could be accomplished by the latter part of 1934.

He said when Texas is clean of ticks, "our chief danger of infestation will be from across the Sabine river and the Rio Grande."

"If Louisiana does not soon clean up, it may be advisable to fence the Sabine against cattle coming from that state," Governor Sterling said.

"Already a movement has been started looking to the fencing of the Texas side of the Rio Grande against Mexican cattle. I believe it would be economy for the state government to join with the federal government and the border land owners in running a fence along this river. It would not only prevent tick infestation but would reduce smuggling and thus decrease the number of border patrolmen needed."

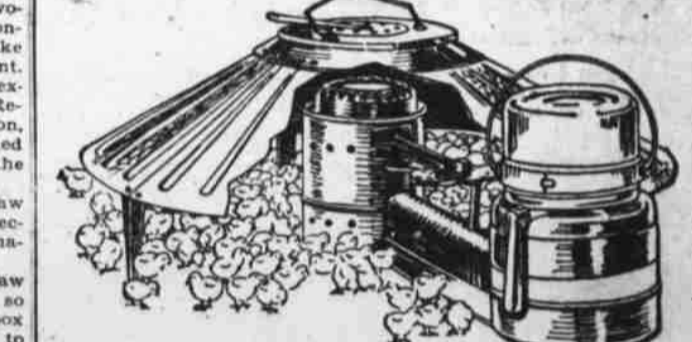


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Colorado Girl And Engineer Are Wed

COLORADO—Miss Emily Dulaney, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Dulaney of Colorado, and Eugene Kelly of Odessa were married Wednesday morning at Lovington, New Mexico, by Rev. Judge Edist pastor, Miss Laudrey Smith and Arlan Smith of Colorado accompanied the couple to New Mexico.

Mr. Kelly is an engineer with the state highway department. He is stationed at Seminole.

SAYS MONEY—

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) munities by a yearly program of interest and cooperation.

Several club members and visitor, President M. H. Bennett of the Kiwanis club, were lined up at the beginning of the meeting and made to answer questions on Kiwanis education. Mr. Woodward asked the questions and Mr. Porter was judge of whether they were answered correctly. There was a suspicion among members that the judge made some who answered correctly keep the places in the line, instead of allowing them to take their seats. The net result was that Dr. Bennett and Kiwanians Spann, Edward Lowe and Tom Coffey were made to don jackets and take the place of the regular staff of waiters. The club approved the service given.

E. Y. Scales, local Ford automobile dealer, was introduced as a new member. Among guests of individual members were E. V. Spence, E. E. Fahnenkamp, Dr. Bennett and Lovel Key, Dallas, agency supervisor of Trinity Life Insurance company.

Calvin Boykin was escorted to the head of the table and given a cheer of congratulation on arrival.

NOTICE SEALED BIDS FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY BOTH FOR SCHOOL AND COUNTY FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that the County Commissioner's Court of Borden County, Texas, will on Monday the 15th day of February A. D. 1933, not later than ten o'clock a. m. receive at Gall, Texas, sealed bids of any banking corporation, association or individual banker, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of Borden County, both County and school funds.

Said sealed bids shall state the rate of interest such bidders offer to pay on the funds of said county, also for school funds to be computed on daily balances for a term of two years, or until another depository shall have been selected by said Court, and each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check of Five Hundred Dollars payable to the order of the undersigned, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of such bidder.

The Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids received. Mail or deliver all such bids to the undersigned, Texas, not later than the date and hour above written.

Witness my hand and official seal this 6th day of January, A. D. 1933. L. A. PEARCE County Judge Borden Co., Texas.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN PICTURES

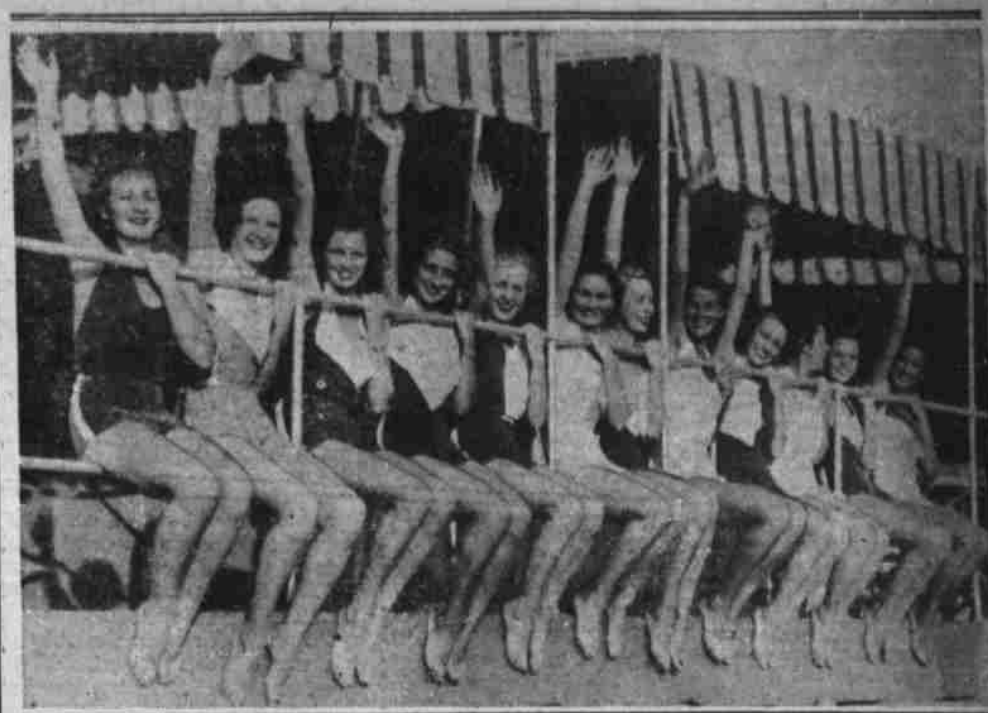
AT SENATE HEARINGS ON BEER BILL

RETURNS TO MOTION PICTURES

SNOW DODGERS GATHER AT SOCIETY RESORTS



Jeanne Williams, beauty from Syracuse, N. Y., is back in Hollywood with another movie contract. Four years ago she left the "Follies" chorus, took the stage name of Sonia Karlov and so ably convinced Hollywood executives that she was a Russian dramatic actress that they gave her a starring contract. Recently she has appeared in several stage plays. (Associated Press Photo)



One of those hot spots where society gathers is Miami Beach, Fla., where these pretty girls disport themselves on the water's edge. (Associated Press Photo)

A battle over the constitutionality of the Collier 3.2 per cent beer bill, which lately passed in the house, was waged before a sub-committee of the senate judiciary committee. The sub-committee included Senator John J. Blaine (left), chairman, and Senator Clarence C. Dill shown above. Rep. James M. Beck (right), a witness, expressed the opinion that the bill was constitutional. Below are Canon William S. Chase (left) and Bishop James Cannon, Jr., prominent drys who attended the hearing. (Associated Press Photos)

Wants To Fight

Eloped

Exhorts Farmers



Gen. Tsai Ting-Kai, whose leadership against the Japanese at Shanghai made him a hero in China a year ago, now has asked for a chance to lead his Chinese troops against the Japanese in Shanhai-kwan. (Associated Press Photo)



Police ended their search for "Mother" Bloor, who with her Marie Ann Dubois, 19, Worcester, Mass., society girl, and D. Lindsey Pierce when they learned of the N. D., urged several hundred farm couple's marriage in Hallowell, Me., to invade Des Moines to ask the Iowa legislature together with another young woman, they had been listed to stop farm foreclosures. (Associated Press Photo)



Alabama 'Colonel'

QUIZZED IN SLAYING MYSTERY



Mary Hall Van Pelt, of Montgomery, University of Alabama co-ed, is honorary colonel of the school's R. O. T. C. unit. (Associated Press Photo)



In efforts to clear up mystery surrounding the slaying of Edwina Schildhauer, 28-year-old high school bandmaster, Chicago authorities quizzed his widow, Mrs. Frances Schildhauer (left), and Carl Bradberry (right), former deputy sheriff whose card was found in the slain man's pocket. (Associated Press Photos)



Leaves Cellar 'Prison'

Woman Sheriff

Engaged



Police removed Arthur Doeblich, 22, from a cellar in Cincinnati after Doeblich had lived underground three years, he said, because his father would not buy him clothing. The father was charged with abuse of family. (Associated Press Photo)



Mrs. John E. Wires, of Montgomery county, is the only woman sheriff in New York state. She was appointed by Governor Lehman when her husband, elected to office last November, died before he took over the job. (Associated Press Photo)



The engagement of Helena M. Raskob, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Raskob, to Joseph T. Gusting, Jr., of Lansdowne, Pa., was announced recently in Philadelphia. (Associated Press Photo)

MIDWEST FARMERS IN 'COUNCIL OF DEFENSE'

WAR VET'S SON HERO IN FIRE



Farm leaders in Iowa and South Dakota have organized a "council of defense" to block mortgage foreclosures. The council is shown in session in Le Mars, Ia., scene of a recent demonstration by several hundred farmers to prevent foreclosure of a farm.



Little four-year-old Milo MacKenzie (left), son of Capt. Wilburn G. MacKenzie, Canadian war aviator, rescued his baby sister and brother from a fire in their home in a Denver suburb. Mrs. MacKenzie is holding the younger children. (Associated Press Photo)

BETTY COMPTON'S GEMS STOLEN

Gang Leader Slain



Betty Compton, film actress, is showing Joseph Taylor, Los Angeles detective chief, an empty box from which she said robbers took jewels she valued at \$37,500 after she had been bound and gagged. Police sought a band of robber-extortionists who have been preying on motion picture notables. (Associated Press Photo)



The body of Ted Newberry (above), for years a dominating figure in Chicago's gangland and an ally of the Capones, was found filled with shotgun shells near Chesterton, Ind. (Associated Press Photo)

Missouri Marksman



John Cooper, who as a sophomore last year led Big Six scorers, is the ace forward of the University of Missouri's basketball team. (Associated Press Photo)

Missing



John Stephen Campbell, 25-year-old University of Missouri student, was reported missing by his parents, who said they received a note demanding \$5,000 ransom money. (Associated Press Photo)

Held As Fugitive



Harry Stanley, who 14 years ago escaped from prison in Colorado, was arrested in Cleveland, where he had lived nine years. (Associated Press Photo)

POET LAUREATE VISITS U. S.



John Massfield, England's poet laureate, is shown with Mrs. Massfield upon their arrival in New York for a visit of several weeks in America. (Associated Press Photo)

Champion Repeats



Mark Hecht of the University of Pennsylvania has won the national indoor junior tennis championship for the third time. (Associated Press Photo)

Pressure For Cuts In Vets Bureau Grows

Roosevelt Opposed To Sales Tax, Congress Opposes Higher Levies

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER
United Press Staff Correspondent
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WASHINGTON (UP).—With President-elect Roosevelt opposed

to the sales tax and congress in revolt against raising income taxes, pressure is growing for sharp economies in the veterans bureau. This bureau spends \$1,000,000,000 a year, which is one-fourth of the total cost of the government. Congress has been reluctant to touch this expenditure. But conditions are shaping to the point where the demand for large economies is forcing consideration of the possibilities.

A terrific battle is gathering and it is due to break early in the new administration. Those leading the agitation for reducing this expense assert that \$400,000,000 a year could be saved without taking a single penny from anyone who was injured in the war. But the issue, as many service

men see it, is stated in slightly different terms. The question is, some of them say, whether the country wishes to place the man who served his country in war but escaped uninjured, on the same basis as the man who did not serve. If so, they add, to be logical veteran economies also should strike off all civil war pensioners. This policy question, some of the veteran groups say, must be decided first.

Before stating the arguments advanced by the opposing forces in this battle, the official picture of the situation as it exists should be summarized. Key figures are: World war killed or died of disease, 126,000; wounded 234,000; prisoners and missing, 4,500; total casualties 364,500. Total mobil-

ized forces, 4,355,000. Total world war veterans or dependents receiving benefits from veterans bureau, 1,145,116. Due both to the depression and increased benefits allowed by congress, the number receiving direct money benefits has increased 515,000 or 50 per cent in two years. The hospital load of the veteran bureau has increased 24 per cent and the number living in veteran bureau homes has increased 44 per cent.

This rapid expansion has caused concern. In his last annual report, General Frank T. Hines, director of the veteran bureau, said: "Confronted with the impressive total of past and present expenditures, and anticipating an increase in certain items . . . and recognizing that each succeeding session of

congress, new benefits are proposed . . . we must regard with concern the possible future cost of veterans' relief." The veteran hospital population has increased at the rate of 13 to 15 per cent in the last two years and totaled 43,481 last June 30. More than 23,000 were under treatment for ailments not connected with war service. Hospital admissions this year exceed the former peak of 1922. Approximately 60 per cent of all admissions have been for causes not connected with military service, according to the veteran bureau.

Under the laws as amended, free hospital service is granted to all former service men. The Rev. Theo Frances is attending a church meeting in Ballinger.

RAILROAD AGENT BURIED

SAN ANTONIO, Texas Jan. 2 (UP).—Funeral services were held Monday for E. H. Coombe, 65, Houston, general agent in that city for the Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad. He died here yesterday after an illness of several months. Burial will be in Bowling Green, Ky., his former home. He had been with the railroad 30 years.

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SPOTLIGHT

CHAPTER 1

MOST stories of chorus girls begin at the dressing room mirror. Alas for poor Sheila Shayne! Sheila hadn't been inside a dressing room for weeks. Grease paint was a memory for her. Waiting for a cue was just a phase. She hadn't worked last week, nor the week before. Nor for four weeks before that! No longer did Sheila call this forced leisure being "at liberty" or "rest-in." She called it the very worst kind of luck. Sheila wasn't expecting sympathy, however. So many others seemed to be having the same experience.

Sheila really wasn't a chorus girl, though she would have been glad indeed for a place in the chorus just then. Born in a dressing room 18 years ago, she had lived in the theater almost all of her short life. She had been born in a dressing room and cradled in a trunk tray because Dolly Desmond, her mother, just couldn't stay behind at the hotel while Johnny went on with the act. Afterward the parents firmly declined the suggestion of Johnny's mother (Dolly was an orphan) that the baby should stay in Ottumwa, Ia., while they finished the season.

So from the first Sheila was a stage baby—educated in day coaches during jumps, carried or in her first part at three months, toddling on in her second part at two years. Then the Gerry Society started interfering. Thereafter Sheila's knowledge of the stage was confined to the wings where she watched father and mother go through the act. Sheila knew the lines as well as her parents.

At 14 she played her first real role. It was none too soon for presently her father and mother, known as "the Dancing Desmonds," died in a train wreck. It happened during the summer when Sheila had been left behind with a friend who had a cottage at Rye, N. Y. Johnny and Dolly took their last bow hand in hand. Their daughter was left to make the grade alone.

And at 15 Sheila was known for what Johnny's and Dolly's friends had guessed all along she was to be—a dancer. Not a "hooper" but a dancer. A bit of thistle-down, a sunbeam with little feet fluttering, stamping, clicking, weaving in perfect time. A flower in the wind. Many a poet or composer, pen in hand, could have done worse than put Sheila's dancing to music.

Old troupers looked strangely grave when they saw the child, face flushed and rapt, whirling and twirling to the tuneless old boarding house pianos while some second-rate vaudeville musician supplied the accompaniment.

From some remote ancestor Sheila had inherited a loveliness that far exceeded good-hearted little Dolly's attractiveness. Tall, well built, slim as a sickle moon, with delicately curved, slender throat, dark hair sleek as satin, creamy gardenia skin. That was Sheila. She herself had selected the name "Shayne."

Watching her dance, one thought of blackberries and cream, marble and ebony. Sheila's eyes were set in with the proverbial sooty finger. She had upcurving lashes and a proud fling of the head that Ma Lowell, proprietress of the theatrical boarding house, said would take her before royalty.

WHICH was all very well but Sheila had no job, very little money, and scarcely anything in the way of encouraging prospects. Today rent was due. Of course Ma Lowell would not be insistant but Ma, like everyone else these days, needed her money. The Flying Fosters were "out." So were Sally and Joe. The Melody Trio was "resting." Timmy in the back room went to Joe Paris' place daily to pick up what he could as an accompanist. And Myrt—well, Myrt hadn't worked for weeks. As Ma put it, it was time for Myrt to be getting out of the profession and into some sort of a shop. Ma herself had sold lingerie while her daughter, Flossie, briefly graced the "Follies." Mrs. Lowell's rooming house would have been far more profitable if she had been less sympathetic and her memory of what it is like to be down on one's luck less strong.

Yes, Sheila certainly wanted to pay her room rent. Her clothes were becoming shabby, even though they had been well cut, good clothes in their time. However, her blouse was frothy and as white as careful laundering could make it. Her gloves were worn too, but her feet were neat and trim. Sheila's feet always were neat and trim. They were her fortune.

Twinkling, twining, tapping, dazzling feet! She flew down the stairs now and paused at Myrt's door. "Come on, Myrt, I'll blow you to breakfast. I'm lone-some."

Myrt's door opened cautiously. One eye peered out and the crack widened to admit Sheila. "Oh, it's you," Myrt said rather unnecessarily. Within the room was dark, close, disordered. As Sheila dropped into a chair, quickly unburdened for her use, her hostess raised the shade, clutching a thin blue crepe kimono about her sparse figure.

"We can have breakfast here," Myrt offered listlessly. "I've got coffee an' crackers—"

"Oh, let's go out," Sheila answered. "It's my treat and it will do you good. You stay here all day."

"Well, no manager is going to chase you to the corner picture show, either," Myrt returned tartly. Sheila said nothing. Myrt had been out of a job so long that no one could remember her last engagement.

"Going the rounds?" Myrt ventured, glancing at Sheila's suit and gloves. "Gee, you look fine. No matter how slim the old pocketbook gets you always look like a million dollars. Oh, well—you're young!"

Her thin arms, from which the wide sleeves had fallen, rose in the air as she twisted her faded hair into a bun and jabbed it with hairpins.

smooth about thin hips, dark hat shoved down and scallops of hair pulled out to outline the forehead. Reaching for a polo coat, seizing worn gloves and a flat purse, Myrt announced herself ready.

The air outside was brisk and sunny. Spring was in its warmth and in the voices of hucksters shouting their wares a block beyond. Children home from school played hopscotch. Messenger boys bicycled smoothly. Job or no job, it was good to be alive.

"But spring isn't the best time to get booked, either," Myrt reminded her companion as Sheila remarked on the beauties of the day.

"Maybe not, but I love it." They seated themselves at a little white tiled table in the Coffee Shop. Other late breakfasters were there. Sheila nodded to an acquaintance or two and Myrt bowed once or twice mournfully.

"Somebody leave you a fortune?" Myrt asked as Sheila ordered fruit, cereal, coffee, toast and eggs for both. She demurred no further, however, and Sheila was glad that she had invited Myrt. A few square meals were what she needed.

"You're out of a job, Sheila," Myrt reminded her, nev-



SHEILA SHAYNE

ertheless attacking the golden eggs when they arrived. "I know. But you never can tell. This coffee is good, isn't it?"

"It's the lucky break we're hoping for just around the corner that keeps all of us in this game," Myrt observed reflectively.

"Well, there are breaks. Look at Hazel—"

"For every one who gets a break there are a dozen who don't. The trouble"—the other had warned to her subject—"is that none of us know when we're licked."

"But we have to keep trying."

"Well, we aren't all like Hazel," Myrt sighed. "Just imagine happening to be there in the office when the manager got the wire that Erna Dresser had eloped! That was luck."

"It certainly was."

"And look at Dean Randolph. I picture now! Why, he never had anything but butler parts until this horror thing came along. Now he's one of the biggest."

"Yes, he's a star."

THE glow of the warm coffee and the good food had set Myrt to thinking of better days. It was a little sad. In any other sort of work Myrt would still have been in her prime—this side of her prime, perhaps. But in show business, where youth and loveliness, so transient, are required, Myrt was in the discard.

Sheila shivered a little. Youth was so short. "I worked at a soda fountain at home," Myrt went on. "Before I got stage struck. You know how it is. People telling you that you should be on the stage. Going around with a mechanic, I was. Movies, dances, and all that. It was a nice little town. Bill had a nice little car, too. Not anything elegant, understand, but a car. It would take you places."

"Mother and I lived in a pretty nice house, too. It wasn't anything like this life! Big rooms. You know—cook in the kitchen, eat in the dining room, sleep upstairs. We weren't cooped up in one room all the time the way we are here." Myrt sighed heavily, her eyes fixed on a distant object.

"And yet you wouldn't give this up for all that," remarked Sheila, smiling.

"You're right. I wouldn't!" Myrt straightened. "A can of beans heated over the gas jet may be all I'll have for dinner tomorrow. Who knows? But I wouldn't go

back. Jim owns the filling station now, too!"

"Why don't you write to him?" suggested Sheila. She was sorry for Myrt. Perhaps going home would be the very best thing for her. But Myrt shook her head.

"I couldn't. I'd rather eat once a day and be near Broadway, hoping for a break, than at home married to the richest man in town."

"I wouldn't," said Sheila.

Myrt stared in amazement. "You what?" she asked as if unwilling to believe her ears.

Sheila was all composure. "I wouldn't rather be here than in a small town married to the richest man there, or even engaged to the second richest one. Even if I was born in the theater I don't like it—much." She leaned forward. "I'd give it up now—"

Myrt eyed her almost in fright. "That would be all right for a hooper" to say, Sheila," she admitted finally. "But—you're a dancer! The real thing!"

SHEILA nodded. "Yes, I know. I'm supposed to have talent. Daughter of Johnny and Dolly Desmond, troupers. But there are too many dancers these days. Good ones. You have to be a topliner to get any atten-



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tion at all. And then they soon forget you. Look at Marion Meriton! The hit of the town two seasons ago—and where is she now?"

"Maybe she married and went home," suggested Myrt. "And maybe she didn't. She's sitting in some rooming house this minute or out looking for a job. And Marion could really dance, Myrt! She's still young, too. What'll it be when you're old?"

"You can open a lingerie shop the way everyone else does," suggested Myrt practically. Sheila laughed in spite of herself.

"I'm not going to open up a shop for anything," she said vehemently. "I'm going to get married and settle down and have a home in a small town where there are neighbors and lawns and red geraniums in the kitchen windows. I want checked gingham curtains and copper pots and pans!"

"We never had a house, you know—my mother and father and I. I remember my mother carrying things around with her in her trunk to fix the dressing room up pretty. Pumpkins and witches at Hallowe'en, wreaths and holly colored paper at Christmas. We never had a home. Just trunks, Myrt. Everything had to go right back sooner or later into a trunk!"

"I used to look out the car windows when we made jumps and see the lighted houses, the bedrooms, maybe with kids going to bed. I used to see the dining tables set and mothers bustling back and forth in aprons. I used to see fathers coming home and children running to the front doors to meet them."

"Sometimes in the mornings I'd see express wagons and fire engines or doll carriages clattering up the front walks. Clothes blowing on the lines on Mondays. Girls having little parties. The other girls in maybe and chocolate and cakes—"

"It's a lot of bunk," said Myrt steadily. She buttered a bit of toast and took a generous mouthful. "You'd get sick of it in a week. It's silly for you to talk that way. With your career! You have the makings of a real dancer. A musical comedy star like Marion Meriton. I don't see why you couldn't be as good as she was. All you need is a break. Things can't keep up the way they are forever. They're bound to change." Her voice shook. "I'm old, Sheila. I'm 30 but you're young." She smiled through sudden tears.

"Thirty isn't old," Sheila said uncomfortably. It hurt her to think of Myrt as old.

"You'd have a good time in a small town," Myrt decided after a moment's thought. "You are pretty. You'd have beaux. Everybody has a car—"

"And the moon—and maybe fireflies."

"And the mosquitoes! And the beaux from the local garage! No—Broadway is the place for you, Sheila. Broadway needs you."

SHEILA laughed a bit mirthlessly. Certainly Broadway's need for her talent today was hardly apparent.

"I think it's a mistake to marry just to have a home," Sheila went on after a moment.

Myrt looked at her sharply. "You aren't thinking of getting married, are you?"

"To whom?"

"Well, I didn't know but what some of your beaux had asked you."

"I don't mean marrying anyone here, Myrt," Sheila went on, looking off into space. "I mean marrying someone in a little town where living means something. If I had the chance tomorrow or today I'd do it!"

"You're crazy," commented Myrt. "If you must marry, pick out some rich guy and get a home on Park Avenue—"

"Those aren't homes, Myrt! The only home I dream about is one on the ground with a porch and grass and clothes lines. A home that is paid for—not rented by the year or month. That's the kind of home I want!"

Myrt's eyes were dreamy. "I've seen homes right here at Ma Lowell's. Third floor back, maybe. Just one room. Love. Sunshine. Funny little dewdabs, chair pillows, bureau scarfs, maybe. And your red geraniums in a pot in the window. A girl fussing around in a little apron cooking something on the gas burner."

Sheila nodded. "Sure, I know. You're thinking about Bee and Walt. But they were exceptions. Did you ever eat at Dean's Chop House, Myrt?"

The other's eyes widened. Dean's was the rendezvous of the successful, the great. "You're asking me!" she exclaimed. "Well, no, I haven't."

Sheila had dined at Dean's frequently, always as someone's guest. It was an excellent restaurant just off Broadway, one flight up. There was good food, excellent service. Not flashy but expensive.

"I've been there," Sheila went on. "But I've never seen a couple there who looked happy. Remember Lily Train? I saw her there three times. Each time she was with a different husband. When you see a married couple at Dean's you can always tell whether the husband or the wife is making the most money. You can tell when they've been quarreling. And you can tell when they think more of being a success than they do of each other. When I marry I don't want it to be like that! I want a real husband and a real house. I want curtains blowing at the windows, fresh and white. A tea table out near the lilac bushes. Little tulip-lined walks. Porches—"

Myrt shrugged.

"Porches have to be swept. Walks get cluttered." Sheila's voice was eager. "I've seen 'em! Cluttered with toys and red wagons and doll carriages. Lots of people feel the way I do, Myrt!"

"I know what you mean, kid," Myrt said in a softer tone. "Well, I hope you get it. Only remember this. Love is where you find it. A furnished room or a palace. The chances are better, maybe in the palace where you don't have to stumble over each other all the time. Otherwise the place doesn't matter much. Love is anywhere you find it."

STRANGE to hear this from Myrt whom love had passed by. There were rumor—a partner in the old days, a fatal illness. Sheila wasn't sure of the details. They rose from the table and Sheila paid the checks. They went out into the sunny street again. Far down the block a wagon loaded with potted flowers moved slowly toward them, the hawker shrilly crying his wares, stopping now and then to make a sale.

"Well," asked Myrt as they paused, "are you going to try the booking offices or are you hitting it straight for the country and a love nest?"

Myrt's own morning was an accepted routine. She would go back to the rooming house and wait for the telephone call which never came. For weeks now Myrt had been taking the course of least resistance.

"Here comes Ma Lowell," Sheila said as her eye caught a figure coming toward them.

"And in a hurry!" Myrt announced. "Well, if Ma's hurrying it's a safe bet she's bringing good news to someone. She wouldn't hurry on her own account."

The rooming house keeper reached them, a shawl caught over her house dress, her plodding feet still in carpet slippers. "Sheila!" she gasped. "It's a good thing you two have been gossiping over your breakfast. Otherwise—"

Fumbling in her apron pocket Ma drew forth a slip of paper. "It's a telephone message," she went on, almost out of breath. "It's that Daisy Gleason. She has a dancing number with a new act and she's sprained her ankle. They want you to fill in."

A job! Sheila looked at the grubby scrap of paper Ma pressed on her.

"That number," Ma explained unnecessarily, "is Joe Paris' place. Brady telephoned. He'll teach you the routine. You'd better call him as quick as you can!"



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CHAPTER II

The scrappy bit of paper meant a job and a pay check. It wasn't much, of course. Filling in for Daisy Gleason was rather a blow to Sheila's pride. The truth was that Daisy couldn't dance. No one except Roscoe, Daisy's husband and ever thoughtfully she could, Roscoe, happily in love with her, had given Daisy a place with his act—a jazz band, rather good, with a few specialty numbers. Then Roscoe had married Daisy. Now she was out with a sprained ankle...

Trevor was the star, supposedly "Tom Sawyer." He was 20, or thereabouts, and of that species which is as frequently referred to as a man about town, though, as he himself would have pointed out, his polo ponies, yachts and high-powered cars kept him continually out of both the town and his highly correct and elaborately appointed office. His home, the penthouse, was even more elaborately appointed than his office. Certainly it was less difficult to find him there than at the Wall Street address.

With Trevor Lane was young Dick Stanley, his cousin several times removed, not so wealthy and a trifle more ambitious. Dick was in New York ostensibly to learn to write plays. Trevor's theatrical connections were supposed to be of valuable assistance. Both young men were well set up, of that vaguely described "clean but" type, square jawed, affable, well poised. Either might have posed for advertisements of a certain brand of well-known collars. And both were soon enjoying breakfast as hugely as if they had earned it by the sweat of their well-shaped brows.

Sheila hesitated. "Will—can—Blind Timmy play for me?" she asked. She knew that it did Timmy no harm to be asked for particularly. More than that, Timmy would be helpful at such a time. Brady could scowl and rant but the nodding of Timmy's head as he listened for the click of her tiny feet on the floor, the barometer of her mood could detect the slightest of steps, could indicate that a step had been well done.

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Coolidge's Last Major Interview Withheld Until Now Because He Did Not Wish To Interfere In Affairs

Editor's Note: The United Press, in view of the death of Calvin Coolidge, may with propriety release his last major interview with Raymond Clapper, chief of the United Press Washington Bureau. Clapper talked with Mr. Coolidge in the Northampton law office from 9:30 a. m. until noon of Nov. 23, 1931. The former President declined permission for quotation of the discussion at that time because he "did not wish to interfere" in national affairs.

By RAYMOND CLAPPER, United Press Staff Correspondent (Copyright, 1933, by the United Press in all countries)

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Calvin Coolidge told me in the quiet of his Northampton, Mass., law office that such success as credited to him as president was due to the fact that "when there was a job to be done I found the best man to do it and let him do it."

The former President cocked his high topped tan shoes on his time stained golden oak desk as he talked that morning, Nov. 13, 1931. He paused as he talked, and drew at the white paper holder which held his long cigar tipped by an inch of undisturbed white ash.

I had combed the worn steps of the old brick Masonic Temple in Northampton to talk about business conditions, for we then were in one of the more hopeful periods of the depression. We talked from 9:30 until noon.

Book cases in the small room held ancient law books. A faded facsimile of the declaration of independence hung on one wall. His desk, unlike that he used at Washington, was piled high with all sorts of papers. The former President wore a business suit that appeared not to have been changed by the over-punctilious valet, thrust upon all Presidents by White House routine. His collar was of the 2-inch stiff type popular in the '20's.

Do No Good "Shots in the arm," he said, "will not do business much, but good. Most of the plans being talked about as cures are really plans for putting the losses off on the other fellow. It probably would be better to take the losses right where they occur and be done with it."

When business men become convinced commodity prices will go no lower, they will begin buying supplies," he predicted.

Larger railroads, I told him, objected to the Interstate Commerce Commission's proposal which would require them to turn over proceeds of rate increases to weaker roads. Mr. Coolidge observed: "Every one wants the government to go into the other fellow's business but stay out of his own."

He talked on tax problems. "One of the difficulties I found in Washington was that a delegation from the chamber of commerce would bear in one hand a petition to reduce taxes and in the other recommendations for projects to cost money."

Should think it might be possible to raise more money through voluntary taxes. If you tax things a person can use or do without then the tax becomes voluntary. Most people think gasoline and automobile taxes are a good thing because in that sense they are voluntary.

"If everyone will just mind his own business and try to help the other fellow some we will get along," he predicted.

He asked about Vice-President Curtis and spoke of the latter's help in the senate on needed legislation. "I always found there was no use becoming too excited about something congress did. I found that it was often better not to say what I wanted because if I did someone would immediately decide to vote the other way whereas if I kept silent I would get a few of their votes."

Seventh Day Adventists Combat Beer

Local Church Forwarded Resolutions To Senator Morris Sheppard

In an enthusiastic mass meeting held at the Seventh Day Adventist Church Saturday, an audience of adherents unanimously adopted a petition opposing the Beer Bill (H. R. 13742) which has already been passed in the House of Representatives, and which is now pending before the United States Senate. The petition, which is to be sent immediately to Senator Morris Sheppard, was presented by Mrs. O. A. Owens, leader of the church. The petition, the reasons for opposition to the Beer Bill, and like attempts to modify the Volstead Act, and repeal the 18th Amendment was as follows:

"Alcohol is a narcotic. It poisons the system, disqualifying the user for business; it paralyzes industries, unfitting the users thereof for the regular performance of work. It impoverishes the families of the ordinary workmen, leaving in its wake sorrow, poverty, shame, and often complete ruin."

"It endangers life. Two-hundred million automobiles and automobile trucks, carrying millions of our people at high rates of speed, make it imperative that only people should drive who do not use alcohol in any degree. What effects one driver seriously might not affect the other, but the one affected is a menace to life and property."

"Why should a great country like America stoop to raising revenue for the maintenance of its government from the sale of alcoholic beverages which have in their use all the elements of waste, crime, and death?" was a pertinent question asked in the petition, "which closed with a very impressive appeal as follows:

"In the name of humanity, social justice, and the general welfare, beseech your honorable body not to give your support to this measure that would legalize the sale of intoxicating beverages."

Scores of copies of petitions for signatures were circulated among those in attendance, the receivers stating that they would visit residents of the community to secure signatures that their representatives in Congress may know that the people back home are against the return of beer or any other intoxicating beverages.

Delma Buffington Gives Pretty Birthday Party

Little Miss Delma Buffington entertained a group of her friends at her home on Main street Monday afternoon in honor of her fourth birthday.

The afternoon was spent in playing merry games. After the many lovely gifts to the little hostess were admired, delicious refreshments of birthday cake and hot chocolate were served to the following: Doris Jean Glenn, Kenneth Thompson, Jimmie Black, Harry Middleton, Mary Lou Buckley, Jo Ellen Wise, Marie Milstead, Rosemary Acuff, Sara Maude Johnson, Nella Ruth Buffington, Billie Bess Shive.

Mrs. Buffington was assisted in serving by her mother, Mrs. Mamie Acuff. The following sent gifts but were unable to attend: Elsie Jeanette Willis, Evelyn Arnold and Mrs. Ida Prescott.

First Methodist W. M. S. Plan To Entertain The Delegates For Meeting

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church held installation ceremonies at the church Monday afternoon. The duties of the officers were read from the handbook.

The remainder of the time was spent in making plans for entertaining the young people who will attend the district meeting to be held here this week.

Opposition Is Voiced To Repeal Move

Garner, Shouse And Many Others Express Disatisfaction

WASHINGTON (UP)—A solid band of opposition, ranging from Speaker Garner of the house to Jettett Shouse, president of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, was raised against the repeal resolution, newly laid before the senate with approval of the judiciary committee.

Garner's Contentions Though the senators gave out assurances the proposal would be taken up next Monday, 13th anniversary of prohibition, Garner asserted it does not conform with the democratic platform, and other house leaders predicted it would not pass them in its present form.

Shouse issued a lengthy statement in which he called for its defeat, asserting "it were infinitely better that the 18th amendment should stand."

Principal objection to the proposed amendment was that it provides for the federal government through congress to regulate or forbid the saloon. Others were that it reserves in the constitution a federal guarantee of protection to dry states against an inflow of liquor from wet territory and would provide for ratification by state legislatures rather than special conventions.

"It does not comply with the democratic platform," said Rainey, Garner agreed. Shouse asserted: "Ever a mandate came direct to the congress upon any subject it was the mandate of the recent election to submit a straight-forward repeal resolution. Failure by congress to comply with this demand, which the people had the right to make, would prove a mockery of political integrity."

The resolution was approved by the judiciary committee Monday morning in record breaking time, by a vote of 10 to 4. Later polling of absentees increased the vote to 11 to 5.

Chairman Blaine of the subcommittee which drafted the resolution lost no time in submitting the committee's report to the senate, with announcement that he would call it up at the "earliest opportunity."

Joining in the demand for prompt consideration of the resolution, many republican and democratic leaders in the senate predicted its approval at this session. Some democratic senators expressed the belief that if the senate approved the resolution Garner would permit a vote on it in the house despite his present opposition.

Dramatic Action The judiciary committee's action, marking another landmark in the long standing prohibition controversy, came with dramatic abruptness.

Within an hour and a half after the committee gathered in executive session to consider the subcommittee's report, Senator King, Utah, democrat, emerged to tell the senate newspapermen the resolution had been approved. Several committee members had said a final vote could not be reached Monday, but the group of lawyer senators had their minds made up, and rushed through a series of votes on the various controversies almost without debate.

The vote found five republicans and six democrats for the resolution, and four republicans, with one democrat, against.

Those for the resolution were: Republicans, Blaine, Wisconsin; Hastings, Delaware; Hebert, Rhode Island; Schall, Minnesota, and Austin, Vermont. Democrats: Ashlin, Kansas; Walsh, Montana; King, Utah; Dill, Washington; Eration, New Mexico; and Neely, West Virginia.

Plenty Of Work Confronts Members Of Legislature Meeting Tuesday

Most Of Law Makers New At Business; Reports Of Committees Named Two Years Ago To Figure In Deliberations

By R. W. BARRY, AUSTIN, (UP)—Texas legislators a majority of them new at the business of law making, are coming to town for the regular four months long biennial session of the legislature opening Tuesday.

There have been few, if any, of the forty-two legislators that have served in Texas existence which faced problems greater than those that await this assembly.

For two years three legislative committees have been at work planning innovations in government. One of those groups has worked out a plan for reorganization of all departments from top to bottom. Recommendations to be submitted by it would reduce the existing one hundred and thirty-one boards, commissions and governmental groups to nineteen and professional groups to six.

Another committee has been studying the problem of taxation with a view to tapping new sources for revenue to replace the old system of levying against homes, farms and ranches to sustain the government. A third group has prepared bills that would revamp the laws directing that certain county and district officials of remunerated for their work out of fees of office.

It was predicted that this legislative session would have for consideration a greater number of proposed laws than any of its predecessors. Congressional redistricting was expected to take up some time, it being necessary for the Legislature to regroup the counties into bailiwick to make room for three congressmen elected from the state at large this time. Texas' delegation in the 73rd Congress will be increased from 18 to 21 by reason of its gain in population as revealed in the 1930 federal census.

Proration to Be Issue Legislation affecting methods of conserving the state's natural resources, especially petroleum, is likely to be one of the main issues of the session. There has been much dissatisfaction with the manner in which the Texas Railroad Commission, now statutory administrator of oil and gas conservation laws, has prescribed methods of production and apply other rules.

The reorganization committee has proposed that the railroad commission be abolished and the work it does taken over by the commission of public service, whose members would be appointed. The three members of the railroad commission, now elective, supervise operation of railroads and trucks and buses in addition to their duties in connection with conservation of oil and gas.

Bills designed to modify laws bearing on prohibition enforcement have been prepared. Anti-prohibitionists plan to ask that the Dean law, providing stringent punishment for violators of the dry statutes, be softened. The constitutional provision that the sale of liquor be prohibited in Texas also will be given attention. It is proposed that the constitution be amended to permit the sale of beer under strict regulation of the state.

Fergusons in Jan. 17 Interest in the coming session, which opens at noon Tuesday, is heightened by a change in administration and more especially because the Ferguson state government—James E. Fergusons' term—will be inaugurated on January 17. She served one term in 1925-27 and her husband occupied the governor's office one full term and a part of another. He was impeached and removed in 1917.

Governor R. S. Sterling, retiring governor, will send his final message to the legislature. It will get the new chief executive's recommendations and ideas of how the government should be administered soon after his induction.

James E. Ferguson has announced Mrs. Ferguson will propose a general sales tax as one means of providing new revenue.

A. P. Johnson of Carrizo Springs and Coke Stevenson of Junction are contending for the speakership of the House. Each claims a majority of the 150 members of the lower branch have pledged him their votes. The election will be held soon after the House is called to order by Mrs. Jane Y. McCallum, secretary of state and the members sworn in. Eighty-four new members will take their seats. Sixty-six members of the House in the 42nd Legislature were re-elected.

There will be 10 new senators, 21 having either been re-elected or holding over to complete four-year terms. Terms of 16 members of the Senate expired this year and 15 were hold-overs.

Enforcement -Not Repeal To Be Buried

Native Of Germany Resided In Center Point For Twenty-Six Years

By Richard C. Cabot, M. D., for many years Chief of Staff of the Massachusetts General Hospital Staff and Professor of Medicine in Harvard University

Forty years ago I was almost as ignorant about alcohol as most wets appear to be today. I supposed it could stimulate the circulation and the brain, and so help to pull a man through pneumonia or typhoid. It took years of watching its effects in those and other grave diseases to teach me as experience has now taught almost all intelligent physicians, that alcohol does harm and not good in infectious diseases. Forty years ago almost all the physicians at the Massachusetts General Hospital believed that alcohol stimulated the heart and the powers of resistance in fevers. Now I don't know one who believes that. The medical use of alcohol as a stimulant has been given up in the better hospitals, because today we know that it is not a stimulant, but a narcotic.

We used to think that moderate drinking—"temperance," as the wets call it—did no harm. Now we know that it is responsible for an enormous loss of life through automobile accidents on our streets. One cocktail is enough to impair the dexterity and quickness of hand and foot, to spoil the man's judgment about speed, to diminish on which safety depends. Most of the "drunken drivers" arrested every week on our streets are not "drunk" in the ordinary sense. They can walk and talk well enough; they have imbibed only a moderate amount of liquor. They are temperate drinkers; but they are the most dangerous of all drinkers in this fast-moving age. The man who is really drunk—the excessive drinker—rarely tries to drive a motor car. It is the moderate drinkers who do most harm. They killed in 1931 more people in the United States than typhoid fever, diphtheria and influenza put together.

The effects of alcohol in killing people when much of it is taken within a short time are usually laid to "bad liquor." This is very rarely proved. Almost all deaths from drinking are due to too much "good liquor."

Prohibition has not stopped "moderate drinking" on the part of many persons. Hence, we have still to fight the enormous evils of "temperance" and "moderation." The evidence of excessive drinking shows in cirrhosis of the liver and in alcoholic insanity following repeated attacks of delirium tremens are also with us, but have decreased since prohibition, even when enforced as little as the wets permit us now to enforce it.

The wets complain of bootlegging, of crimes and power in the hands of criminals, of the bribing of officials, and the corruption of those who ought to enforce the law. But who corrupts them? Who gives the criminals power to corrupt them? Of course, it is the wets. They shoot holes in prohibition, and then complain that it is a bullet-proof. They pay bootleggers to bribe policemen, and then they complain that there is much corruption in the business.

Surely this is a new trick in the public discussion of a serious matter. I never knew people themselves to cause an evil with their own hands, their own money, their own throats, and then go on the stump and complain of it. I never knew a man to pull up a railroad track, burn the ties and twist the rails, and then complain because his train "wouldn't run smoothly over that track!" I never knew a man to pour water on all fires in his house, and then complain because they had all gone out! I never knew a citizen to bribe a policeman to stay off his beat, and then complain that the policeman was not on it.

That's the wet side of this case, and the only argument that they've got—that things are just as bad as they have made them. Poor wets! Their logic is almost as bad as their habits!

Wynelle Kavanaugh Wed To Gallup, N. M., Man Miss Wynelle Kavanaugh and A. R. Porter were married January 7 in Gallup, N. M.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kavanaugh of this city and a graduate of the Big Spring high school. She finished a commercial course in El Paso.

The groom has been in the employ of the Santa Fe railroad for the past ten years and is now signal maintainer.

The young couple will make their home in Gallup.

Scouters To Meet Here This Evening Scouters of the Big Spring district will convene in the annual meeting at 7:30 p. m. today in the Settles Hotel.

Mrs. Pachall To Be Buried

Native Of Germany Resided In Center Point For Twenty-Six Years

Funeral services for Mrs. G. F. Pachall, 54, who died at her home in Center Point community at 6:55 p. m. Monday, will be held here Wednesday.

Services will be held at the Charles Eberly Funeral Home at 1:30 p. m., and at the Lutheran Church, North Gregg street, at 2:30 p. m. with Rev. W. G. Buchschacher, Lutheran pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Mount Olive cemetery.

Mrs. Pachall, a native of Bosen, Germany, had resided in the Center Point community 26 years. She was married to Mr. Pachall in Grimes county, Texas, 34 years ago. Surviving here are her husband, four sons, one daughter and five step children. Two sons, Theodore and Otto, preceded her in death. Surviving sons are Herman and Walter of Center Point; Rudolph of Iowa, Grimes county; Arthur, a student in Lutheran Concordia college, Austin. Her daughter is Mrs. William Heckler, residing east of Big Spring.

The step children are Ernest Pachall of Fort Worth, Charles Pachall of North Zulich; Mrs. A. Keune of Vealmore; Mrs. C. Luedtke of Smithfield, and Mrs. J. Schwartz of Alberta, Alabama.

Children Of School Age Must Enroll In Classes By Monday Children of ages six to fourteen years inclusive who have not attended school thus far must enroll by Monday.

Superintendent W. C. Blankenship reminded parents Tuesday the Texas 109 school day compulsory attendance law was still in effect. All children whose names appear on the scholastic census and who have not reached the age of fourteen or before September 1, 1933, are affected by the rule.

"A good many children included in these ages should be in school," said Blankenship. "Unless they enroll, steps will be taken to make them attend."

BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOT THROUGH NECK Richard, 10 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Goodson, barely escaped fatal injury Monday at 8 p. m. when he was shot through the neck with a 22 caliber rifle.

The lad was struck in the neck by a bullet while playing with friends. A gun, thought to be empty, was pointed at him in fun. Blood vessels in the throat were barely missed by the missile as it tore through the flesh of the boy's neck. His wounds are not considered serious, the attending physician said Tuesday.

Sterling Declines To Discuss Plans AUSTIN (UP)—Gov. Ross S. Sterling today declined to comment on reports that he will head a Houston oil firm after his term as governor expires next week.

He will not discuss his plans for the future until he leaves office, Gov. Sterling said.

The governor took this position after it had been reported he would re-enter the oil business, in which he made a sizeable fortune before he became governor. Sterling formerly headed the Humble Oil company.

Reports had it that a company, to be known as the Sterling Oil company, with the governor at its head and with financial assistance from his friends, would be formed.

K. P. District Meeting Set For Tonight

Big Spring Officers To Be Installed; High Officials Are Expected

Members of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias will host this evening for a district meeting at which members from Midland and Odessa will be present and in which the rank of pike or esquire will be given. The meeting will open at 7:30 p. m. in the W.O.W. hall, and will be a closed session. Refreshments will be served.

A feature of the meeting will be installation of new officers of the local lodge. Among prominent Knights of Pythias leaders who will attend will be John Lee Smith of Throckmorton, grand chancellor; Theo Yarbrough of Weatherford, grand keeper of records and seal; A. J. W. Smith of El Paso, grand outer guard.

Officers of the Big Spring lodge to be installed will be H. N. Rainbolt, chancellor commander; C. W. Carson, vice chancellor commander; Claude Walters, prelate; Hubert Pridge, master of arms; L. D. Sipes, inner guard; Doyle Robinson, outer guard; J. B. Wolton, master of work; Homer Wright, keeper of records and seal; William Sullivan, master of finance; Jack Smith, master of exchequer.

Man Who Caused Deputy To Overtake Car Fined \$25, Given Ninety Days Jim Bilby, who led Deputy B. F. McKinney a merry chase when brought here from Coahoma, pleaded guilty Monday to a charge of assault and was fined \$25 and costs and sentenced to serve ninety days in jail.

A surprise attack by Bilby on McKinney caused the deputy to overturn his car. After drawing the deputy's gun on the officer before he was subdued, Bilby inflicted a blacked eye on McKinney. He was resuscitated after a chase through an adjacent field.

The case was tried in county court.

Missionary Society Of Christian Church Holds Regular Meet The members of the First Christian Missionary Society held a meeting at the church yesterday with Mrs. J. R. Parks presiding. Mrs. Creath led the devotional.

Mrs. Taylor talked "On a Hunt for a Manger." The whole group took part in the hidden answers on the program.

When the meeting was over the members took food to a needy old lady.

Those present were: Mmes. J. R. Parks, J. R. Creath, W. M. Taylor, I. D. Eddins, C. M. Shaw, Glas Glenn, H. Clay read, Geo. W. Dabney and Mrs. Allen, a visitor.

Tax Payments Stop Collector Reports A pre-Christmas flurry of tax payments has dissolved into extreme laxity, receipts in the tax collector's office slow, devotional.

Even automobile license tags, usually bought by car owners in sufficient numbers, are trailing by one third the receipts for a corresponding period last year.

Tax Collector Loy Acuff said Tuesday morning that little or no payments were being made now. However he anticipates the annual last minute rush as the Jan. 31 deadline nears.

Black Boy Mourns As He Stars 'Laying Out' Time "I done stayed too long," was the mournful plea put up by a dusky chap Saturday night when he was caught with three others of his tribe and charged with gaming.

"Yassah, I done stayed too long after I quit," he continued. "Dat name done cost me \$2.85, and now I ain't got no money," he philosophized as he was fined \$1 and costs. He will "lay it out."

Deputy Constable C. W. Robinson

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Limitations On Deductions For Losses On Sale Or Exchange Of Stocks, Bonds Given Explanation

The Bureau of Internal Revenue has received numerous inquiries regarding the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1932 pertaining to the limitation on deductions for losses on sales or exchanges of stocks and bonds for income tax purposes. The new provisions in the law are contained in Section 23 (r), (s) and (t). Under these provisions deductions may be taken in income tax returns for the year 1932 (and subsequent years) for losses sustained from the sale or exchange of stocks and bonds which had been held by the taxpayer for two years or less prior to date of sale or exchange only to the extent of the gains from such sales or exchanges.

The limitation provided by Section 23 (r) does not apply to losses sustained from the sale or exchange of stocks and bonds which have been held for a period of more than two years so as to constitute capital assets within the meaning of Section 101 of the law and the treatment of losses sustained on the sale or exchange of such capital assets remains the same as it was under the Revenue Act of 1928. In defining stocks and bonds for the purpose of the limitation the statute specifically excludes therefrom bonds issued by a government or one of its political subdivisions. Such exclusion therefore not only includes bonds issued by the government of the United States or a state or political subdivision thereof but also bonds issued by a foreign country or foreign municipality. It therefore follows that the deduction for losses sustained from the sale or exchange of such bonds is not subject to the limitation.

The limitation is in general applicable to both corporations and individuals as well as other taxpayers. By the express terms of the statute, however, it does not apply to dealers in securities as to stocks and bonds acquired for resale to customers in respect of transactions in the ordinary course of business, or to banks or trust companies incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any state or territory.

Although losses in excess of gains from such sales or exchanges during the year 1932 affect the year 1933 by reason of the provision for carrying forward such excess to the later year, the immediate concern is for the year 1932 and the chief emphasis at the present time is therefore devoted to outlining the method of handling such losses for the year 1932. The application of the limitation calls for the segregation of the gains and losses from such transactions from the gains and losses from other transactions. When such gains or losses are thus segregated, the aggregate of the losses is merely offset against the gains, thus giving effect to the provisions of the statute that such losses are to be allowed as deductions only to the extent of the gains from such transactions.

In case the amount of the gains is in excess of the amount of the losses from such transactions, such excess gains are added to the taxpayer's ordinary income and is subject to tax at the regular rates for computing the normal tax and surtax. In case the amount of losses is in excess of the amount of gains from such transactions for the year 1932, such excess may not be availed of by the taxpayer as a deduction for the year 1932 but may be carried forward to the year 1933, to the extent of his net income for the year 1932, and taken as a deduction against gains from similar transactions for the year 1933.

The application of the statute may be illustrated as follows:

For the taxable year 1932 John Doe (who was not a dealer in securities) had a net income from salaries, dividends and rents of \$50,000.00. He had gains and losses from sales of stocks and bonds during 1932 as follows:

Gains from sales of stocks and bonds held for two years or less	\$100,000.00
Losses from sales of stocks and bonds held for two years or less	200,000.00
Excess of losses over gains	\$100,000.00

The amount of the excess as a deduction for the taxable year 1932 for the losses from the sale of stocks and bonds is limited to \$100,000.00. The excess of the losses over the gains (\$100,000.00) is not deductible, but the amount of such excess not exceeding the net income of John Doe for the taxable year 1932 (\$50,000.00) may be carried forward and applied against the gains from similar transactions for the taxable year 1933.

As losses from such transactions may be availed of by the taxpayer as a deduction for the year 1932 only in the manner and to the extent above specified, such losses may not be applied as a deduction against income from other sources, such as salary or other compensation received for services, and similarly, such losses may not be applied as a deduction against gains from the sale or exchange of property (including stocks and bonds) held for more than two years.

It is to be observed that Section 23 (r) does not affect in any way the treatment of transactions in real or personal property (other than stocks and bonds). Such transactions are treated in the same manner as the Revenue Act of 1928 as in the prior act. It is necessary, under the Revenue Act of 1932, for all taxpayers regardless of the size of their net income, to keep a record of their transactions in stocks and bonds so that they may determine how long such securities have been held on the date of sale. This is necessary to determine the amount of loss allow-

Rainey Says Economy Is Only Answer

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Asserting he did not believe either a proposed raise in income tax or sales levy could be enacted this session, Democratic Floor Leader Rainey Monday advocated strenuous efforts be made to balance the federal budget through economies.

He made public a letter he addressed to fourteen governors opposing their demands for enactment of this session of a \$100,000,000 federal highway aid bill, asking them to "tell us how we are going to get the money for it." He said no governor had replied.

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Bullington Or Zweifel Slated To Succeed E. Nolte

DALLAS (UP)—The successor to Eugene Nolte, who died in San Antonio, as chairman of the state Republican executive committee, was expected here to be either Orville Bullington of Wichita Falls or Henry Zweifel of Fort Worth.

Bullington was vice-chairman until he resigned to make his unsuccessful race for governor. Zweifel was named in his place and now holds the vice-chairmanship.

Recommendations of R. B. Creager, Brownsville, Republican, national committeeman, were expected among Dallas Republicans, to guide the state committee in picking a new chairman. It was believed here Bullington was more likely to be chosen than Zweifel.

E. C. Toothman, state organization director, was in Houston in conference with Creager when word of Nolte's death was received. Toothman was expected to return here late today and leave at night with other party leaders for Seguin to attend the funeral.

1st Baptist W.M.U. Meets In Circles

The members of the First Baptist W. M. U. met in circle meetings Monday afternoon in the homes of the members and at the church.

Mary Willis

The members of the Mary Willis circle met at the home of Mrs. C. W. Lee and devoted the afternoon to quilting. Mrs. J. E. Dillard of Bartlett was a guest.

Members attending were: Mmes. B. Reagan, H. H. Squyres, Olin Hull, Nat Shick and J. A. Boykin.

Lucille Reagan

The members of the Lucille Reagan circle met at the church and finished their study of the book "Our Lord and Ours" taught by Mrs. Coffey. The members will take examination on the book at the next circle meeting.

Those attending were: Mmes. C. C. Coffey, J. W. Adershoit, Mildred Jones, G. H. Hayward, J. C. Smith, J. L. Guiley, D. J. Dooley and L. I. Stewart.

Highland Park

The members of the Highland Park circle met at the home of Mrs. C. E. Hahn to discuss work for the coming year. The meeting was opened with a devotional by Mrs. Bivings.

Those present were Mmes. H. F. Wood, Larson Lloyd, C. K. Bivings, R. C. Pycatt, L. C. Taylor, John Phillips, T. J. A. Robinson.

Felton Smith Junior Entertains S. S. Class

Felton Smith Jr. entertained the members of the Big Brothers class of the First Methodist church at home Monday evening with a forty-two party.

After the games cookies and chocolate were served.

Those attending were: Preston Sly, Philip Stuzer, John Stripling, John Nell, Lloyd Forester, Beverly Hatch, Francis and Ann Schuck, Tilman Crance, Horace Penn Jr., James Stiff, Sam Petty, George Ed O'Neal, T. B. Reeves and Dr. C. C. Carter, teacher.

Senator-Elect To Name One Boy To Peacock

State Senator-elect Arthur P. Duggan has advised C. T. Watson, Chamber of Commerce manager, that he has been authorized by Peacock Military academy of San Antonio to award one scholarship to a deserving young man in his district. He asked Watson to submit names of possible candidates.

Duggan also requested that citizens of this section correspond with him to let him learn their legislative needs. He takes office Tuesday.

GIVEN 60 YEARS

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—A jury in District Judge W. W. McCrory's court Saturday assessed a term of 60 years in the penitentiary against Eugene Banzpach for his part in the shotgun slaying of Deputy Sheriff George L. Mangold last September.

Mrs. G. E. McNew left Tuesday morning for Bowie on being informed of the death of her brother, R. Q. Kennedy.

Veteran Of Lower House Snoots Self

Grief Over Death Of Wife Cause Of Rep. Kendall's Act

WASHINGTON—Representative Samuel Kendall, 78, a Republican from the Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania District, Sunday took his own life in his room at the House office building after writing a note saying grief over the loss of his wife was the cause.

A verdict of suicide was issued after a note was found at his home addressed to his children, telling them that the unexpected death of Mrs. Kendall Aug. 22 "was the most severe shock of my whole life and I have been unable to throw off my grief."

The body of the veteran legislator was found in a big leather chair by the office windows, a bullet hole through his head and a pistol clamped in his right hand lying in his lap. William Whelan, one of the many House mail carriers, who had been befriended by the Representative, found him.

Note Found In Trunk

Kendall left the home of his daughter, Mrs. Grace Maeona Angus, at 9:30 a. m. after having breakfasted with her and her children. Lieut. Philip Cook of the Capitol police received reports of a shot being fired at about 10:30 o'clock, and it was assumed the Representative took his life then.

A son, Samuel A. Kendall Jr., who lives here, searched a trunk where his father kept his personal effects at Mrs. Angus' home and found an undated note which read:

"Dear children:

"My work on earth is completed. The sudden death of your dear mother was the most severe shock of my whole life and I have been unable to throw off my grief.

"Every day has added to my sorrow and I can no longer bear my suffering which I have kept from you.

"Mother has been calling me to join her little Van in Heaven and I can no longer resist the call and am going to join them. Goodbye, Father."

Defeated In November

The reference to "little Van" was to a 4-year-old son, Grant Van Nest, who died in 1913.

Kendall Jr. said that the note was written in his father's characteristic fine handwriting and showed no nervousness. He said that his father and mother, formerly Miss Minnie LeRoy Wiley of Lincoln, Iowa, had been married nearly half a century at the time of her death and that his father had felt her loss keenly. She died of heart disease.

Kendall was born on a farm in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, Nov. 1, 1859, the son of John C. and Elizabeth Kendall, but later made his home at Meyersdale. He served 14 years in the House, entering first in the Sixty-sixth Congress. He was defeated for re-election in November, but his son said that apparently he had been unmoved by his defeat.

First Suicide at Capitol

The Pennsylvania was a popular member among the postal employees throughout the country. He was instrumental in getting through Congress, as a high ranking member of the Postoffice Committee, legislation benefiting postal workers.

The three children who survive him are Samuel Austin Jr., Mrs. Grace Maeona Angus, widow of Rev. H. B. Angus of Philadelphia, and John Wiley Kendall, all of whom have been living here.

William Tyler Page, veteran House employe, said Kendall's suicide was the first committed at the Capitol, although in years past other representatives have taken their lives elsewhere.

District Scout Leaders Meet Here Tuesday

Scout leaders of the Big Spring district, which embraces this city, Coahoma, Foran, and Stanton, will convene Tuesday 7:30 p. m. in regular annual meeting. Dr. J. R. Dillard, district head, will preside over the confab scheduled for the Settles hotel.

Officers for the ensuing year will be elected, reports for the past year will be mapped, and a program will be arranged for entertainment of the annual Buffalo Trail Council meeting here Jan. 26.

A. C. Williamson, area executive, will attend the affair and participate in the formation of plans for the annual council meeting which is expected to have an attendance of 200 people. Regional Scout Executive J. P. Fitch will likely appear on the program.

Among scouts included in the Big Spring district are J. R. Dillard, B. Reagan, L. F. Smith, W. S. Morrison, V. O. Hennen, W. C. Blankenship, T. W. Ashley, D. R. Lindley, H. E. Clay, H. B. Bohannon, E. W. Potter, R. A. McDaniel, Loy Acuff, Thomas J. Coffey, Lee O. Rogers, W. H. Beatty, A. S. Smith, D. J. Wright, J. E. Phillips, A. H. Smith, J. R. Phillips, F. S. McCullough, D. J. Bigony, Verdie Phillips, F. E. Earnest, Joe Pickle, W. E. Matthews, Lealle White, J. W. Adershoit, George Gentry, Edward Lowe, John R. Hutto, John Garcia, C. C. Carter, W. H. Hardy, Tracy Smith, C. S. Holmes, M. J. Bennett, Edmund Nofsting, Carl Blomfield, J. R. Spann, and Jack Cummings.

Mrs. Shine Philips Gives Book Review At Hyperion Club

The members of the Hyperion Club met at the home of Mrs. Steve Ford Saturday afternoon to hear Mrs. Shine Philips give a review of John Galsworthy's "The Patrician."

In absence of the president, the vice-president, Mrs. Albert M. Fisher, presided.

After the enjoyable program the hostess served tea to the members and visitors.

Mrs. Willard of Bartlett and Mrs. A. S. Barnett, of Dallas, were the out of town visitors. Club members were Mmes. J. T. Brooks, C. W. Cunningham, V. H. Fiewelent, Beth H. Parsons, Shine Philips, C. S. Holmes, G. L. Thomas, C. T. Watson, R. Homer, McNew.

Mrs. Watson will be the next hostess and Mrs. Ford will have charge of the program.

Weather Maps Sent By Radio Daily To Big Spring Station

The world looked up in surprise when telegraphers began typing in messages over their wires and recently there has been a new wrinkle added to the art here—the transmission of weather maps for the airways by telegraph, according to Jesse Maxwell, local representative of American Airways.

The station here is one of a group of map receiving stations maintained by the Department of Commerce which raise the total number of airways weather stations to nearly 250. Maps are received only at these stations where there are either military or scheduled commercial bases for pilots.

The transmission is simple, although the machine is complicated. Operators at the seventy stations simply insert the map blanks in the machines and the operators from the central map producing points do likewise and then mark the proper symbols on their own. The electrically connected keyboard duplicates the operation on all other keyboards connected to the circuit.

Oakland, Calif., is the master station for the western section of the United States. The Central section is typed from Kansas City and the Eastern from Cleveland.

Maps are circled at four hour intervals over the teletype system and are then duplicated and furnished to all operations departments and miscellaneous pilots who apply for them, giving a complete report on the weather of the United States six times daily.

Missionary Guild Meets At Home Of Mrs. Claude Walters

The younger women of the First Christian Church met Monday night with Mrs. Claude Walters at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elder. Mrs. Lindley presided over the session.

The members voted to adopt the name of the Missionary Guild.

Mrs. L. M. Brooks was leader of the program whose theme was "Feed Time in China." Mrs. Gawthron gave the scripture reading.

Miss Mildred Creath talked on "Work in China." Mrs. Goodpastor on "Is There Any Hope for China?" Refreshments were served to: Misses Mary Alice Leslie and Mildred Creath; and Mmes. Roy Carter, James Wilcox, Elmo Hood, E. W. Pettey, M. Brooks, D. E. Lindley, J. H. Cawthron, J. T. Allen, Douglas Perry, Jack Johnson, H. E. Clay, Elmo Watson and Howard Goodpastor.

Mrs. Wilcox will be the next hostess and Mrs. Carter the next leader, at the meeting of Feb. 6.

Mrs. Slaughter Shower Hostess

Mrs. Tom Slaughter entertained Friday with a delightful farewell shower honoring Mrs. William A. Gilmer of Marshall who has been the Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sikes, and friends.

Miss Pauline Schubert as funmaker kept the guests in a merry mood during the afternoon. Games and contests directed by her met with good response.

Mrs. Gilmer, a former resident of this city, was to leave Saturday for her home.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to Mmes. W. A. Gilmer, H. F. Williamson, R. E. Slaughter, Charles Kobeg, Boyton Martin, Mae Battle, A. A. Porter, C. S. Willis, Herbert Johnson, Joe Jim Green, Harry West, Pat Martin, Fanny Marguerite Wood, Wilson and Misses Marguerite Wood, Pauline Schubert, and Iona McAllister.

The following sent gifts but were prevented from attending: Mmes. J. C. Holmes, M. C. Stelling, Jess Slaughter, G. W. Sikes, J. V. Davis, and Misses Stella and Lillian Schubert.

Miss Schultz Bride Of Rueben Choate

Announcement of marriage of Rueben Choate and Freda Schultz, both formerly popular members of the younger set, Wednesday in Tishomingo, Oklahoma, has been received here.

The couple will be at home at 906 N. Marshall Ave. in Dallas. Rueben is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Choate. Mrs. Choate formerly was employed here by the Douglas School.

Drunken Man Causes Deputy's Car To Overturn, Grabs Gun, But Softens And Asks Officer To Hold His Head

By the same measure that all that glitters is not gold, all intoxicated persons who "come along nicely" are not harmless. E. F. McKinney, Coahoma Deputy, learned Saturday.

Faced with the duty of bringing a "drunk" to Big Spring for confinement McKinney had no trouble in getting the man into his car.

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\$50,645 In Howard County Funds At End Of Fiscal Year; Balance In Some Funds Above Expectation

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Highways	2,014.13
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Share Work Meeting Invitation Is Received

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"Flue gas analysis gives in direct terms the combustion efficiency of any furnace or boiler. Combustion efficiency in plants of every type—from the smallest heating boiler or furnace to the largest steam generator—regardless of the kind of fuel used, depends upon the use of the correct ratio of air to fuel. Excess air and insufficient air are the chief causes of fuel burning losses. By analyzing flue gases, it is possible to tell instantly and accurately exactly how much excess air is being used and what percentage of fuel is being wasted.

"A mixture of gases is analyzed by the 'Volumetric Method,' that is, a measured volume of the mixture is taken and one of the gases is removed by absorption. The volume then remaining, after the chemical absorption, is then measured and the shrinkage indicates the percentage of the gas absorbed. The residue volume is then exposed to another absorber which removes another gas, etc. This method is employed because of the difficulty incurred in weighing gases.

Percentages

"Flue gas or combustion test is based on the percentages of carbon dioxide, oxygen, and carbon monoxide found in the flue gases. CO₂ or carbon dioxide, tells how much of the carbon in the fuel, and therefore how much of the fuel has been burned completely; O₂ or oxygen, gives the amount of excess air present, or the air over and above that necessary for perfect combustion; CO, or carbon monoxide, the amount of fuel incompletely burned and therefore the amount of fuel wasted. The percentage of CO₂ is therefore a direct indication of combustion efficiency.

The most efficient percentage of CO₂ that is percentage of CO₂ that can be maintained without appreciable loss due to incomplete combustion, will vary (a) with the hydrogen carbon ratio of the fuel; (b) the physical condition of the fuel, whether solid, liquid or gaseous; (c) the relation of volume of combustion space to burner capacity or grate area; (d) the method of firing; (e) the available draft, etc.

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The locals trailed throughout the entire first quarter, but even the type of basketball that they exhibited was too much for the visitors, and George Brown's club went into the lead early in the second quarter and maintained a fairly comfortable advantage all the way through.

J. C. Morgan, Steer forward, took high point laurels with seven field goals and three free tries, just four points too many for Sturdevant of the Tornados, who rang up six field goals and one attempt from scrimmage.

Two-Man Team

The Lamesa offense was almost entirely a two man show, with Britt's goals from far back on the court putting the Tornados off to their early lead and Sturdevant's play in the last half keeping them in the running. Elmer Dyer contributed the best floor game for the locals.

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Progress Of Boy Scouting Is Reviewed

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Despite six conflicting engagements, twenty-two Big Spring and Coahoma scouts attended the meeting held in the Settles mazzanine. Dr. Dillard presided over the assembly.

Reports from five local troops, one at Coahoma, and one at Foran indicated that average work was being accomplished. A. C. Williamson, area executive, complimented certain troops for programs undertaken. He urged a more systematic means of planning programs as way to better results.

Foran, starting the year with an enrollment of eight, showed the largest increase with a membership now well above twenty. Two others showed increases of eight.

Roscoe Improves

Roscoe, in the Sweetwater district, has swelled its enrollment from a scanty few to forty-four. Williamson said in pointing to an outstanding piece of work recently when court of honor was held, twenty-eight of the number received badges. George Parks, formerly of Sweetwater, is scoutmaster.

Buffalo Trail Council was tendered an invitation to hold the annual jamboree here in April. Williamson assured members of this district that the affair, drawing troops from each of twenty-nine towns, would be held here. Big Spring has played host for the past two years.

Dr. Dillard was empowered by the body to call a meeting of the Big Spring district when he saw fit to plan a city wide program for Boy Scouts.

Boys' Service

The chairman will appoint a committee to investigate the possibilities of holding a union boys' service with Boy Scouts forming the nucleus. Tentative plans call for all churches participating in the move. The service is being planned as a probable part of anniversary week, Feb. 8-14.

Another project will be discussed Wednesday 4 p. m. by a committee composed of scoutmasters and assistant scoutmasters in Big Spring. The meeting will be held in the Settles.

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Most of the strength was concentrated in the lower bracket as pre-tournament doping gave a clear run to the finals for the Colorado Wolves, alone of the stronger teams in the upper portion of the draw, and indicated trouble for the Big Spring Steers, Sweetwater Mustangs, and the Hamlin Lions, thrown together in the bottom half. Loraine meets Hamlin in a first round match and the winner will meet the survivor of the Roby vs. Sweetwater pairing. Big Spring, with Iatan as their first opponent and the winner of the Roscoe-Trent game coming up in the second round, apparently has a clear path to the semi-finals.

Sharing the favorite's prestige with the locals were the Hamlin Pipers, who defeated the strong Lawlers, 49 to 28, Tuesday night, and who have scored 410 points to 199 for their opponents.

Complete pairings for the first and second round:

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