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JAPAN WORRIED OVER CONDITION OF RULER

(By Associated Press)
TOKYO, Dec. 11.—Six oxygen tanks were installed today in the sick room of Emperor Yoshihito, indicating that the condition of the ruler was critical.

The emperor's weak pulse is causing considerable anxiety, with the entire nation anxiously watching reports on the condition of the ruler.

Holiday business has already suffered and the merchants may lose millions of dollars if New Year parties and other celebrations are halted.

FIRE DAMAGE IS GREAT IN JAPAN

(By Associated Press)
TOKYO, Dec. 11.—Ten persons are dead and 7,000 are homeless, with property damage estimated at \$5,000,000, and ten sustained injuries in a fire which swept Namazaki in the prefecture of Shizuoka, last night.

Two thousand homes were destroyed.

POLICE WOUND 2 BANK ROBBERS

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Two of the five gunmen who attempted to hold up the wealthy patrons of Lindy's Restaurant on Broadway, were shot by policemen in a pistol battle today.

The wounded men were thrown into an automobile by their comrades, with all escaping.

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Dunn, of Artesia, N. M., who have been here visiting Mr. Dunn's sister, Mrs. J. W. Black, have gone to Brownwood, where they will visit for a few days before returning home.

COMMISSION BUYS NEW FIRE TRUCK

The City Commission, at a recent meeting purchased a new fire truck for the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department, it was announced by Chief Louis Cohen Friday afternoon.

The truck is a Chevrolet make and was purchased from a local firm. It will replace the Ford truck which has been used for a chemical wagon for the past few years. Another 40-gallon tank will be added to the tank already on the Ford truck and this will give the department twice the previous chemical capacity.

The Ford truck will be worked over and turned over to the city water department, it was said.

GIRL FLEES WITH BUDA BANK CASH

(By Associated Press)
BUDA, Tex., Dec. 11.—Posing as a newspaper woman and borrowing a typewriter in the rear of the Farmers National Bank here, a girl about seventeen years old, alone and unmasked robbed the bank of an undetermined amount, shortly before noon today.

The female robber escaped in a small coupe, leaving in the direction of Austin.

It is estimated that the girl obtained more than \$2,400.

Two employees were locked in the vault, while the girl went about her work.

DEFENSE RESTS IN OIL TRIAL

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Presentation of evidence was completed today in the trial of Albert B. Fall and Edward L. Doheny, on a charge of criminal conspiracy.

Both the prosecution and defense rested today, leaving only the closing arguments and the judge's charge before the case is to be given to the jury.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The defense rested today in the Fall-Doheny oil conspiracy trial. Attorneys for Edward L. Doheny and Albert B. Fall, co-defendants in the case, announced their readiness to send the case to the jury, within a few minutes after the opening of today's session of the court.

The attorneys abandoned the proposal to have Fall, himself, take the stand as Doheny had done, and explain the story of the \$100,000 that passed between the oil magnate and the then Interior Department secretary in 1921, before Doheny's oil interests were awarded the lease to Elk Hills naval oil reserve.

Owen Roberts, for the government, began his presentation of the prosecution's rebuttal. It was indicated that the case would go to the jury next week.

PAPERS BARRED FROM PRINTING DIVORCE NEWS

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Dec. 11.—News-papers are forbidden to publish details of divorce cases under a bill that passed its third reading on the House of Commons last night.

The bill goes to the House of Lords Monday.

Farmers Favor Cotton Acreage Reduction for Runnels County



Along the Concrete

More than 100 farmers of Ballinger and the surrounding communities were present Friday afternoon at the county meeting of the South-Wide Cotton Acreage Reduction Association to discuss the pro and con of the matter of reducing the cotton acreage in Runnels county.

It was unanimously voted that the cotton acreage of this county should be cut, that all attending the meeting were in favor of the reduction plan and that all would reduce their 1927 and 1928 acreage about 25 per cent from the acreage of 1925 and 1926.

E. D. Walker, of the Ballinger State Bank, chairman of the county committee, presided at the meeting, with J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, acting as secretary.

Mr. Walker explained the plan to the farmers, following which several short talks were made by farmers as to their ideas of reducing the acreage and bringing the market back to a normal level.

Mr. Motley assured the farmers that the business men of Ballinger were with them in whatever steps they might take in bringing back normal conditions among the farmers of this and other counties.

Many of the farmers told what they done in raising their crops,

detailing how much time they had spent in the cultivation of the crops each year, and what other work they carried on at their respective farms. Many of the farmers who spoke were in favor of diversification, and some said they had been practicing this plan during the past few years. Those were farmers, in most every instance, who had profited instead of lost when the low price cotton appeared to create the present crisis.

One farmer, a tenant, declared that the landlords in most cases were compelling their tenants to raise cotton whether the tenant wanted to produce the cotton or not. It is understood here that quite a number of land owners of Runnels county are telling their renters to plant plenty of cotton next year. It was pointed out that it should be the land owner instead of the tenant farmers who are asked to sign the

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2 ROBBERS GET \$2,800 PAYROLL

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, Dec. 11.—W. P. Hardwick, manager and cashier of the Oriental Laundry here, was held up and robbed of the company's payroll by two men as he was entering the laundry this morning.

The loot obtained amounted to \$2,800.

A delivery man of the laundry gave chase but the robbers escaped into a downtown section.

KILLS HIJACKER AFTER BEING HIT BY 3 BULLETS

(By Associated Press)
FT. WORTH, Dec. 11.—Pierced in three places by bullets of two robbers, one of whom he killed, N. C. Buchanan, 34 years of age, a wholesale grocery clerk, has a chance to live, it was said today by attending physicians.

Buchanan was held up last night and he returned the fire of the highwaymen after they had forced him from his automobile at a river bridge near town.

Jack Wilson, 21 years of age, was killed, and Don Wilson, 18 years of age, his brother, was wounded in the exchange of shots.

FOG MAKES NEW YORK VERY DARK

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—New York was plunged into darkness this forenoon by an unusually heavy fog in the downtown sections.

Skyscraper windows gleamed with lights that gave the city a night appearance. City street lights were also turned on.

In England it is quite a common thing for leading actresses to insure against losing their complexions.

DRY GOODS HEAD DIES SUDDENLY

(By Associated Press)
GREENVILLE, Dec. 11.—W. N. McBride, 60 years of age, the head of a chain of dry goods stores here, and in Paris and Texarkana, died suddenly last night.

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The National Council of Women of Great Britain embraces 140 organizations with an aggregate membership of 1,500,000.

England's most noted woman preacher is Mrs. George Cadbury, who was the first woman president of the National Council of Evangelical Free Churches.

FEAR FOUL PLAY IN THE DEATH OF COLEMAN BOY

COLEMAN, Dec. 11.—Officers are trying to unravel the mystery of the death of Jeff F. Reasoner, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reasoner of the Shield community. He was found on a highway near Santa Anna Saturday night unconscious and died Sunday of lung hemorrhage which the attending physician said could have been caused by strangulation or a blow.

Young Reasoner made no statement, and friends and relatives could give no helpful information.

Lycium Offers Russian Ballet for a Shilling

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Dec. 10.—Russian ballet may be seen in London this winter for a shilling. With the opening of the Diaghileff season at the Lycium it was decided to try the experiment of offering for the first time first class entertainment of this kind at popular prices. The idea has proved successful.

Not since the days of Sir Henry Irving has the Lycium made a bid of this sort for the patronage of the most exalted as well as the humblest devotees of the art of the theatre.

An order just issued from Salvation Army headquarters in London forbids the Army lassies from bobbing their hair or wearing their skirts shorter than six inches from the ground.

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Saturday Afternoon Cables

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Cries of "the Crown Prince is coming—gangway" have sounded through the streets of Berlin again since Frederick William has taken a fondness for frequent automobile excursions from his castle in Potsdam. Taking up the familiar cry from the days of the monarchy, communists in the Prussian diet are demanding that the State issue a decree prohibiting traffic cops from shouting orders of this kind. They assert that the former Crown Prince's limousine has been enabled to "speed around town like a fire truck."

The communists further complain that police have been clicking their heels and saluting as the "royal" automobile sped by so as "to make some persons wonder whether they are living in a republic."

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—A beggars' union, the members of which confessed to earning from \$4 to \$5 a day, has been broken up by the police as the outgrowth of a slip-up of the "business agent." Several weeks ago a man was arrested for begging. He gave his name as Fritz Noack and was sent to prison for two weeks. Later a second beggar was brought in. His name also was Fritz Noack. When a third Fritz Noack was arrested the police decided to investigate. They discovered that the last man was really Fritz Noack, the brains of the beggars' union. He had furnished each of the dozen members of the union identification papers bearing his name, stationed each at a money-making street corner and collected 50 per cent of the proceeds.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—It will soon be possible to get into a Pullman car in Berlin and 14 days later be in Tokyo.

At an international railway traffic conference held here, a plan has been adopted by which, beginning May 15, 1927, a thru service from Germany to Japan by way of Moscow and Vladivostok will be started. For a time it will be necessary to change cars at Moscow, but this inconvenience will be eliminated later. From Vladivostok the passenger will go to Tokyo by boat. The distance from Berlin to Tokyo is about 9,000 miles.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Now that the bob and shingle have assumed a "menacing" popularity in Berlin the Restaurateurs' Association has taken steps to combat what it calls a "grave evil" accompanying bobbed hair. In accordance with a resolution passed at a recent meeting of the association several restaurants have nailed up signs reading: "Ladies, it may not be polite to speak about it, but please do not comb your hair at the tables."

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The "politician tamer" is the title Premier Poincare can now add to his collection. He has been thus called by deputies because of the skillful way in which he has mastered a hostile majority in the chamber. When anyone suggested that a certain appropriation in the budget just arranged should be increased, Poincare in a voice like the crack of a whip, exclaimed: "The government rejects the proposed amendment and makes it a question of confidence."

Sometimes it never even got to a vote. When it did, Poincare

obtained a majority of 150 to 200 out of about 575 voting. The influence which the premier has acquired over this parliament "of the Lefts" is declared to mark the most complete reversal of political fortune the country has ever seen; not excepting the return to public affairs of Joseph Caillaux, once ordered exiled for treason.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The most expensive rabbit in France is the one shot by one of three men recently arrested at Bourg, and fined 14,600 francs for poaching. The high-priced rabbit also emphasized the increasing importance attached to violation of the hunting regulations by the government. The three men tried to bag bunnies by training their automobile headlights on the game at night. Frightened rabbits, caught in the beam of light, seemed unable to get out of it and ran back and forth, dazed in the glare of the lamps, until captured or killed.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—French lawyers who have their photographs taken with clients accused of crime are indulging in an undesirable form of publicity—in the opinion of the Paris Bar Association. The association has drawn up rules forbidding the practice. For some years newspapers have been filled with pictures of noted criminals, with the lawyer defending them generally occupying a prominent position in the foreground. This is to be all changed, and the lawyer himself must see to it henceforth that his face be not included in the photograph.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—France's most noted "Little Mother," who conducted thousands of Americans to the graves of their war dead, is about to take a long-earned rest. She is Comtesse Hillyer de Caen. She won her affectionate nickname in American hospitals during the World War. Since the signing of the armistice she has devoted her time and fortune to smoothing the way for the "gold star" mothers and fathers who cross

PALE & PEAKED

Texas Lady Was Advised by Her Mother To Take Cardui, Which She Did With Good Results.

Hamilton, Texas.—Mrs. Gladys Poitevint, of this city, says: "At times I suffered awfully with pains across my back and through my sides. I would have to go to bed and stay two or three days at a time. It was very worrisome. I managed to keep going, but... did not enjoy myself at all."

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"I got the Cardui and began taking it, and from the first dose or two I could see a change for the better. The first thing I noticed was that my appetite was improved. I began to be hungry and I enjoyed my meals. I slept better at night. My rest was so much quieter that I got the benefit from it. I kept on with the Cardui and took it for several months. The pains in my back and sides grew less until they finally quit bothering me."

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the Atlantic in search of the last resting places of their loved ones. The Comtesse de Caen thrice went to America in the interests of the Gold Star Mothers organization. After a brief rest in the South of France, she will make a fourth visit to the United States.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Sleeping car sirens are a menace to travellers in some parts of Europe. Wealthy Americans are said to be frequently their victims.

Good looks, beautiful clothes, a mixture of tears and coquetry, a card-case containing names of the famous persons of Europe and a

tearful tale of a lost purse or railway ticket enable these adventures to extract large sums of money from male travelers.

Yugo-Slav police recently arrested a young woman of 24 who for the last three years has been levying toll from wealthy travellers on the famous Simpton Express, which rushes across the continent from Paris to Constantinople.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Christmas cargoes of the British empire's choicest products are being borne across the seven seas to the crowded millions who people the

mother country.

The spirit of Dickens is abroad in the land from early December, with the arrival of Christmas delicacies and Christmas visitors. American tourists (from England in the summer; British colonials make pilgrimages to the land of their fathers at Christmastide.

Canada is sending shiploads of apples, cheese, hams and wheat for John Bull's Christmas dinner. Australia and New Zealand are sending cargoes of dried fruits, butter and poultry, and this year is offering greater quantities of wines and spirits than ever before; South Africa likewise contributing fruits and wines. India and the East are providing the spices. Scotland stands by with great reserves of whisky which can be rushed South to England if the local supplies give out.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Former King Manuel of Portugal, who, like ex-King George of Greece, still cherishes a strong hope that he again may sit on his throne some day, spends much of his odd hours seeking bargains in London antique shops. Queen Augusta Victoria, too, has a keen eye for old time furniture and often accompanies her husband on these trips. King Street, St. James, the mecca of connoisseurs, oddly enough, is one of the thoroughfares where King Manuel is seen frequently.

King Manuel lives rather a retired life during the summer, spending much time in the country; but with the opening of the opera season, he returns to the city. Both the ex-king and his wife are inveterate opera-goers.

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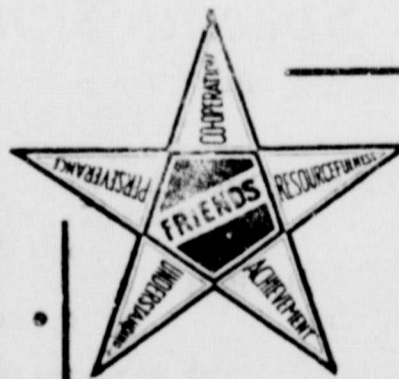
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bladder.

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liver trouble.

Mrs. Myrtle LeFlore, Clarksville,
gall bladder.

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**OLMOS DAM WILL PREVENT
FLOODS AT SAN ANTONIO**

(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 11.—A
repetition of the disastrous flood
which visited San Antonio in 1919
will be almost impossible when
the city's new Olmos Creek dam
is completed. Col. S. F. Greecius,
chief engineer of the flood pre-
vention department of the city
government, believes.

The dam, equipped to retain
15,600 acre-feet of water, if neces-
sary, is large enough to prevent
floods under any conceivable in-
undation that might come down
the river. The big gates of the
dam will be open as long as the
river is less than bank full in the
city, but when it passes this stage
the gates can be shut and the
flow held up until the lower part
of the river has an opportunity
to subside.

The operator of the flood gates
is connected by telephone with
flood prevention headquarters, so
that he can be notified in any
emergency. The gates of the dam
are operated mechanically.

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**ELECT PARISHR
1927 CAPTAIN**

James ("Billy-Goat") Parrish,
quarterback of the Ballinger high
school Beareat squad, was elected
captain of the squad for the 1927
season, and "Fat" Middleton,
guard, was named alternate cap-
tain of the squad, at a dinner
and party Friday evening, given
at the home of Mrs. R. A. Nichol-
son on Broadway, for the squad.

Parrish played quarter on the
Beareat team for his first time
during the past season and he
proved to be a very good field
general for the local gridsters. He
was out of one critical game
during the season and that was
with the Brady Bulldogs. He was
in all others and showed that he
was in the contests with his
heady plays that always meant
good gains. Parrish plays his last
year here in 1927 and he is ex-
pected to prove a better quarter
next year after Coach Felton
Wright gives him more instruc-
tion.

Middleton played his first year
on the Beareat squad during the
past season and he was one of the
best guards the Beareats had, re-
gardless of the fact that he was
offside many times. He was a
good man to break the opposing
linemen down and also a good
man to stop plays of the opposing
teams.

The Beareats picked two good
players to manage their team for
the next season and they are now
making plans to have one of the
most successful seasons in years.

Coach Wright constructed a
real football team here during the
past season and he deserves a big
part of the credit for the success
of the squad. The coach is now
preparing to put out a winning
basketball squad.

**FOURTH TEST WELL FOR
SHULTZ CONCHO RANCH**

Another addition to the play
that Concho county is getting is
the new test on the W. O. Shultz
land by the Marland Company in
survey 128. The test will be a
deep one and will be the fourth
within three miles of each other
on a structure that geologists are
reported to favor. This is the
first test by a major company in
Concho and consists of a block of
2,000 acres. The Humble is also
interested in the test, it is under-
stood.

In this area showings have
been obtained at about 1400 feet.
The test by the Marland is now
rigging up and will spud soon.
The other tests near it are those
by the Exploration Company, the
Arkansas Fuel and Gene Mays.—
San Angelo Standard.

**NEW PASTOR FOR
OLFEN CHURCH**

Rev. R. F. Paul, O. S. P., for-
merly of San Antonio, and more
recently of Cuero, has assumed
the pastorate of St. Boniface
Church, in the Olfen parish.
Rev. Paul succeeds Rev. V. S.
Klosek, who has been transferred
by the archbishop to Hellye,
Texas.

Rev. Paul will be welcomed to
this territory by a number of
friends, as he has formerly vis-
ited here and at Rowena in the
interests of his church. He is an
affable, friendly fellow, and
always works for the best inter-
ests of the community he serves.
St. Boniface Church is probably
the finest rural church in Run-
nels county, being completed
only a few months ago.

Mrs. S. B. Whittlesby, of Mus-
kogee, Okla., is here visiting her
daughter, Mrs. J. G. Evans.

**RANGER VS. OAK MILES ORGANIZES
CLIFF ON TODAY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

After Waco has been assured of
a place in the state finals of the
1926 high school football champi-
onship, Coach Blair Cherr
Ranger Bulldogs, headed by Bus-
ter Mills, and Coach Howard
Allen's Oak Cliff Leopards, led
by Roy Lumpkin, are playing
this afternoon to decide the other
team in the finals.

Waco whipped the Marshall
Mavericks Friday afternoon in
Marshall to the tune of 9 to 0.
The scoring was all done in the
fourth quarter when Tyson's
Tigers recovered a fumble on the
Mav's 10-yard line. The Tigers
were held, and Mason, the Tiger
with the toe that place-kicks field
goals, sent the oval thru the up-
rights from the 13-yard line for
the first counter. He repeated
this twice after the Tigers were
held for downs; once from the
15-yard line and the other from
the 43-yard line. Mason kicked
the Tigers to victory.

This contest is expected to be
the most interesting game played
in West Texas this season unless
it is decided to play the final
game in this section and if the
Bulldogs are successful in taking
the Leopards out of the race.

A special train from Dallas
accompanied the team to Ranger
today to root for the Blue and
White warriors of Oak Cliff high
school.

It is expected that Coach Paul
Tyson and his successful Tigers
of Friday's contest will be at
Ranger to witness the game.
Many other West Texans from
neighboring cities are also in
Ranger to see this contest.

Spinsters live longer than either
married women or bachelors, ac-
cording to one medical authority.

L. Cohen and Mitchell Moore,
fire chief and assistant fire chief,
respectively, of the Ballinger
fire company, were in Miles Fri-
day night to meet with the mayor,
city council, and interested citi-
zens, in organizing a fire depart-
ment for the neighboring city.

Chief Cohen and Assistant
Chief Moore both made short
talks at the meeting, telling of
the benefits of the department in
Ballinger and of its work here.

The Miles council was in-
structed to purchase a combina-
tion hose and chemical truck, and
a Ford truck will be used and it
will be fitted with a chemical
tank and several hundred feet of
hose.

Miles citizens are very enthus-
iastic over the move and they are
expected to perfect their organ-
ization within the near future.
This is Miles' first effort to or-
ganize a volunteer fire depart-
ment.

**STORE BURGLARIZED ON
TWO SUCCESSIVE NIGHTS**

The Roy Hill store on Eighth
Street has been burglarized for
the past two nights, County At-
torney C. P. Shepherd announced
Saturday morning.

The store is operated by Roy
Hill, former county attorney of
Concho county.

Thursday night a 22-target
rifle was taken, and on Friday
night seven boxes of cartridges
of 22 calibre were stolen. No
evidence was left of the burglar's
entry into the building, and of-
ficers are puzzled as to how the
entrance and exit were made.

Ledger advertising pays.

**Astronomers Plan to
Shot Bomb to Moon**
(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, Dec. 10.—An attempt
to hit the moon with a bomb is
the announced purpose of a
newly founded astronomical
society of which Dr. Franz Hoeff,
noted Viennese astronomer, is
one of the leading members.

Discounting American plans for
shooting a man up to the moon as
a "bit too fantastic," Dr. Hoeff
is quoted as saying the society
will attempt next year to obtain
virtually the same scientific re-
sults with a light-bomb rocket
weighing about one ton. The
moon rocket on which engineers
and savants are now working is
designed to reach the moon in 10
hours, propelled through space at
the rate of a little more than six

miles a second by a series of
powder explosions within. When
the rocket lands the impact is in-
tended to explode a huge chemi-
cal bomb, the blaze of which is to
be sufficiently brilliant to be
observed from the earth.

Marie Tempest, the talented
actress, who in her long career
on the stage has made the ac-
quaintance of celebrities the-
world over, is writing her auto-
biography. In one respect, says
Miss Tempest, the work will be
absolutely unique, in that it will
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FOR SALE—Four room house on Twelfth Street at a bargain. Phone 179. 11-1td*

Male Help Wanted
Young man in Ballinger and surrounding districts, honest and with good references who has some working capital and a desire to succeed. Not sales work. Write Manager, Suite 417, Central Natl. Bank Bldg., Tulsa, Okla. 4-7td

FOR RENT—Two rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 179. 26-1td

FOR SALE—A few more St. Andrewsberg roller canaries. Phone 344. Miss Beulah Wirt. 8-6td

FOR RENT—Apartment, furnished. Phone 578. 9-3td

AMENDMENT FOR POWER COMPANY

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Emma Meberg, secretary of state, today granted an amendment to the charter of the Texas Power and Light Company, increasing the capital stock from \$16,500,000 to \$26,500,000.

TERRELL MAKES ANNUAL REPORT

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 11.—Consolidation of the State Department of Agriculture and all administrative powers relating to agriculture is recommended in the annual report of George Terrell, commissioner of agriculture, to the governor.
The report was released today.

Julia Patience, a negro woman living near Tohula, Miss., will be 124 years old her next birthday. The record of her birth in Chattanooga in 1802 is said to have been verified beyond a doubt.

Be wise and advertise

Farmers Favor Cotton Acreage Reduction for Runnels County

(Continued from Page 1)

This committee will arrange for the meetings in the various districts and will also furnish speakers for the farmers at these meetings. Dates of the meetings will be announced as the committee arranges for the dates.
The much discussed proposed reduction law, limiting cotton acreage, which has been debated in East Texas counties, and which law the farmers of those counties are reported as favoring, was not discussed at the gathering in Ballinger, however, it is the general opinion of West Texas leaders that West Texas farmers and business men are opposed to such a law and that they will take steps to fight the passing of such a law in Texas if the next legislature should undertake to adopt the proposed plan. A meeting is being held in Corsicana Saturday by farmers of that section, with Frank N. Drane, well-known East Texas business man, presiding. A large crowd is expected to attend the meeting.

During the next few days, 132 farmers of this county will receive petitions, with a foreword which reads as follows:

"Realizing that a repetition in 1927 and 1928 of the cotton crop production of 1925 and 1926 will mean disaster and ruin for the cotton farmer, and further realizing that there must be an average reduction of at least 25 per cent of the acreage planted in 1927 and 1928 below the acreage planted in 1926, we, the undersigned cotton growers of the State of Texas, County of Runnels, hereby, as a matter of self-preservation, and in consideration of the mutual promise and covenants herein contained hereby passing between the parties to this agreement, the one to the other, hereby covenant and agree, each with the other, to reduce the cotton acreage planted in 1926 to the extent indicated in the appropriate column opposite our respective signatures.

"We realize that this is a South-wide campaign, that similar documents are being presented for the signatures of the cotton growers of the entire South, these several agreements to be taken and construed together as though all signatures were made to one document. The signatures of each grower to this agreement to constitute a pledge of honor from each grower to all other growers, pledging a reduction in the cotton acreage to the extent indicated.

"Those of us who are landlords make the pledge in good faith, and in making contracts with tenants for the years 1927 and 1928 will make the pledged reduction a condition of each contract.

"Those of us who are tenants make the pledge in good faith and in making contracts with landlords for the years 1927 and 1928 will insist that the reduction be permitted.

"I certify that I have correctly stated the acreage planted by me or under my control in 1926, and I pledge myself to reduce this acreage to the extent indicated."

Following that heading is a space for the signatures, the postoffice of the signers, the number of acres in cotton in 1926 and the number of bales produced that year and the acres that are agreed to be planted during the years of 1927 and 1928.

C. W. Lehberg, county agricultural agent; J. D. Motley, and R. E. White, county school superintendent, were named as a committee by Mr. Walker to hold meetings over the county starting next Tuesday for eleven days.

CHURCHES

Eighth Street Church of Christ
(Corner of Eighth Street and Bonsal Avenue)
Bible study 9:45 a. m.
Morning service at 11:00 o'clock.
Evening service at 7:30 o'clock.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.
Everyone has a most hearty welcome to each of these services.

First Presbyterian Church
9:45 a. m., Sunday school
11:00 a. m., morning worship
6:15 p. m., Intermediate Christian Endeavor
7:00 p. m., evening service.
You are cordially invited to worship with us.
E. W. McLAURIN, Pastor.

Church of the Nazarenes
(Corner of Ninth Street and Harris Avenue)
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DON'T FORGET CHAMBER MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is set for 7:30 o'clock Monday night, December 13th. All members are urged to be sure to be present. There will be a "plate" for everyone.

A. R. Jones, local cotton man, will preside.

R. W. Earnshaw, Troy Simpson, L. Cohen and other prominent chamber members will talk. Judge Alfred Cramer will preside over the directors' meeting which is to be held in connection with the annual membership meeting, and eleven new directors will be elected.

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Morning worship at 11:00 o'clock. Subject, "The Still Small Voice."
Junior C. E. at 3:00 p. m.
Senior C. E. at 6:00 p. m.
Evening worship at 7:00 o'clock. Subject, "Designs of Christ's Death."

Visitors and strangers will find a most cordial welcome at all services. If you have not a spiritual home, worship with us.
ALVIN O. RUE, Pastor.

Order of Eastern Star
Regular meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 266, Monday evening, December 13, at 7:30 o'clock.

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PRINCESS ILEANA WILL WED SOON

(By Associated Press)

BUCHAREST, Dec. 11.—Princess Ileana will marry Prince Humbert, Crown Prince of Italy, within six months if King Ferdinand lives, or as soon thereafter as the period of mourning ceases, should the monarch die.

The Associated Press was given this information from circles close to the royal palace.

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