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## COUNTY AND DISTRICT TRUSTEES IN SESSION HERE PLEDGE EFFORTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF NOLAN SCHOOLS

County and district school trustees met Saturday afternoon in the county court room.

The county board held its regular business session Saturday morning, with Chairman John L. Ross in the chair.

Members of the county board include Mr. Ross, of this city; C. E. Long, Roscoe; L. T. Youngblood, Blackwell; W. H. Bennett, Plum Creek. One vacancy on the board to be filled.

The following program was executed at the meeting of county and district trustees, as reported by County Supt. Miss Minnie Fowler.

Purpose: To give information; to arouse interest.

Keynote: Practicability and Inform-

ality (No "long drawn out" speeches; discussions practical, informal, and open to all).

1. Should we adopt a salary schedule, whereby we would pay the better trained, experienced teacher more than one less efficient in the same position?

2. What would be the advantage of more uniformity in the schools of the county?

3. How many grades should be taught in a one-teacher school? In a two-teacher school? In a three-teacher school? Why?

4. School classification.

5. What in your opinion, does your school need most?

Adjournment.

"Co-operation is the keynote to progress: Let's pull together."

## Abilene Ready for Big Fair Week; All Displays on Ground

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 24.—With many exhibitors already on the grounds and preparing their livestock and agricultural products for display, flags and lights all strung and every building bright with fresh paint and decorations, the West Texas Fair is ready for the opening of its gates next Monday morning.

The fair management is already assured of by far the most extensive and elaborate exhibits of fine stock and farm products ever shown in this section of the state, and with a full week of attractive amusement numbers on the program a record breaking attendance is expected.

The main features of the amusement card, as they will be presented during the week, have been announced as follows:

Afternoon program—Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: horse races; calf roping contests and rodeo.

Wednesday and Friday—Automobile Races.

Saturday: Football, Simmons vs. T. C. U.

Night Programs:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday—Gigantic fireworks display and concerts by Longhorn band of the University of Texas.

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday—Special concerts by Longhorn band, with vaudeville and special stunts.

(The grounds will be open from 8 a. m. to 11 p. m. daily.

## High School Football Team Best In Years, is Opinion

Under the efficient direction of Athletic Director E. T. Dawson, the High School promises one of the best athletic teams of many years, especially football.

If everything goes according to expectations, the football eleven will be the winner in this district.

Those contesting for positions on the team are: Harris Toler, Melvin Outlaw, Joyce Johnson, Emmett and John McClain, Mike Trammell, Roy Jones, and others, among whom are John Cox, Clifton Cox, Oslar Leach, J. W. Herndon, Dudley McCall, Buster Mitchell, William Armstrong, and a few others, making a total of about twenty-five.

Mr. Dawson returned from Abilene Saturday night where the football schedule was made. The High School schedule for the season is as follows:

September 23—Merkel at Sweetwater.

September 30—Sweetwater at Haskell.

October 7—Sweetwater at Abilene.

October 14—Sweetwater at Hamlin.

October 21—Stamford at Sweetwater.

Two more games are to be played between Sweetwater and San Angelo and Sweetwater and Big Spring, the dates being selective.

Season tickets which are now being sold by a committee, admits to all boys and girls' athletics for the year. The price is \$1.50.

## Shrine Club Elects Permanent Officers; Joe Boothe, President

Permanent officers have been elected by Sweetwater Shrine Club, which was organized sometime ago by Masons residing in Sweetwater and vicinity.

Joe H. Boothe was elected president; J. J. Erwin, vice-president; Geo. McKnight, secretary and treasurer.

Temporary officers elected at the time the club was organized were R. C. Crane, president; and J. L. Ross, temporary secretary.

More than fifty Shriners reside in the jurisdiction of this club and members thereon expect to build up a very enthusiastic organization, according to President Boothe and the retiring president.

Shrine day at the Abilene Fair has been set for September 30. Plans being made here are for a large attendance on that day, Abilene Shriners having arranged for special entertainment for the visitors.

At the meeting here Thursday night H. C. Hord, S. I. Edwards and Paul B. Sorenson were appointed as a committee on by-laws. They are to report at an adjourned meeting to be held Tuesday night of this week.

## South Ward Parent-Teachers' Body Now Ready for Real Work

Work of the South Ward School Parent-Teachers' Association, organized last week, is getting under way, with Mrs. W. H. Jobe, president.

Other officers of the body are: First Vice-President, Mrs. W. K. Beall.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. A. W. Canfill.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Thomas Trammell.

Secretary, Mrs. John Myers.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Raspberry.

## R. M. Simmons Quits City Board of Development Presidency; Was Appointed by Mayor Few Months Ago

### "Old Top" Not Form of Greeting With the Sweetwater Saddlery

That familiar form of greeting, "Old Top", has another meaning for a certain business man of Sweetwater. We are about to say something about the Sweetwater Saddlery, operated by Chas. C. Rogers. Making new tops is one of the special pursuits of Mr. Rogers—that is new auto tops. So, when "Old Top" is mentioned around him, he immediately draws a mental picture of a ragged roof on a flivver.

This concern has prevented many a good car from going wrong, according to Mr. Rogers. Likewise, they have turned out some fine saddles—good, better, best—is the way one would have to describe the saddles made at Sweetwater Saddlery. With Chas. C. in the saddle department may be found his brother, Mike Rogers, another expert leather worker.

Beginning in the auto top business but a few months ago, Chas. C. has established a trade embracing the flivvers from many counties. He is doing the same for his fine line of saddles. If this concern was not so busy making friends of everybody in the country, it might turn out more work, but at that three or four men are kept very busy every day.

### MRS. HOWELL ON VACATION

Mrs. Fawn Howell, county clerk, is spending a month at Waxahachie, the office here being in charge of Deputy Clerk Gus Farrar.

R. M. Simmons, president of the Board of City Development for the last few months, has filed his resignation with the mayor, who appointed him.

Mr. Simmons stated to a representative of the American that he had not attended a meeting of the Board of City Development for some time.

As a wide awake business man of broad vision, Mr. Simmons was eminently qualified to direct the destinies of the board, but by reason of his heavy duties as manager of the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Company here and subsidiary companies elsewhere in this section of the state, he could devote but little time to the Board of City Development.

No doubt his successor will be named at the next meeting of the board.

Nothing was said by Mr. Simmons as to whether or not the dissatisfaction of the people with the mayor-secretary had any influence on his resigning as president of the board.

## Two Sweetwater Cars Entered for Races at Abilene Fair this Week

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 24.—Wednesday and Friday of next week will be automobile race days at the West Texas Fair and in view of the enormous crowd which attended the speed events at the new oiled speedway last July Fourth, these are expected to be the banner attendance days of the Fair.

Most of the cars and drivers who participated in the July Fourth races, here have sent in their entry blanks for the coming contests in which \$3,000 in cash prizes will be given away. The races will start promptly at two o'clock each day and there will be no reserved seats sold in the grand stand. It will be a case of first come first served.

The entries booked so far are as follows:

No. 2 Sutton, Breckenridge, Ford Special.

No. 3 Ahl, Sweetwater, Apperson Special.

No. 4 B.Garton, Abilene, Chevrolet Special.

No. 6 Adkins, Sweetwater, Stutz Special.

No. 7 Mauzy, Dallas, Buick Special.

No. 8 Horton, Cleburne, Ford Special.

No. 10 Sanders, Abilene, Ford Special.

No. 11 Fields, San Angelo, Ford Special.

No. 12 Pendergrass, Lorraine, Maxwell Special.

No. 14 Ellis, Denton, Dodge Special.

No. 15 Storrie, Denton, Ford Special.

No. 16 Milburn, Fort Worth, Cole Special.

No. 18 Tennill, Taylor, Ford Special.

No. 20 B. Reed, San Antonio, Hudson Special.

No. 21 Shafer, Fort Worth, Duesenberg Special.

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## TURKEY CROP GOOD IN THIS SECTION; POULTRY IS SURE MONEY TO FARMERS

MORE THAN 224 CARS OF PRODUCE SHIPPED FROM EIGHT HOUSES BY WHITE PRODUCE COMPANY.

During the year ending in August, there has been shipped from Sweetwater by the White Produce Company, 60 cars of eggs, 35 cars of live poultry and 13 cars of dressed chickens and turkeys, according to Chas. H. Chapman of that concern.

The eight houses of that company located in various towns of West Texas shipped a total of 22 cars of eggs and poultry.

For the 144 cars of eggs shipped farmers were paid \$400,000.00. Of this amount \$70,000.00 was paid to farmers of the Sweetwater territory.

The coming turkey season promises to release a large amount of cash to the farmers in this vicinity. Last year more than 30,000 pounds of dressed turkeys were shipped from Sweetwater to Eastern and Northern markets, farmers getting an average of 25 cents per pound at Sweetwater.

Mr. Chapman reports that the tur-

key crop throughout this part of Texas is good this season. Movement toward the market centers will begin shortly before Thanksgiving and last until Christmas.

Afforded a good market by reason of the big houses operated by the White Produce Company, the farmers of West Texas find it to their interest to raise poultry. The industry grows from year to year, said Mr. Chapman. This is true also of butter, as this company buys butter at each of its plants.

F. J. Neal, also with the Produce concern here, is some authority on the business himself, and predicts that within a short time it will be possible to ship several cars of poultry per week from the local plant.

Abilene, Sweetwater and Plainview are the dressing stations for poultry, employing a number of expert pickers during the turkey season.

## Simmons Says Plains Country Is Smiling With Luxuriant Crops

With an abundance of moisture throughout the year, the plains country is a garden spot at this season, declared R. M. Simmons, of the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Company, this city, who visited a number of towns north of the Santa Fe during the last few days.

Grain crops made an unusual yield, said Mr. Simmons, while sections planting cotton show up well, he said. The fair at Post a few days ago while necessarily a small affair, demonstrated to the visitors that the Plains country was far from being the barren land of tradition.

### GROGAN WRITES GUESTS

The following guests registered at Grogan Wells Sanatorium during this week, according to Dr. A. W. Canfill, owner of that popular health resort: J. R. Fruit and son, Roscoe; Bieber, Rochester, Texas; Mrs. W. H. Bartlett, formerly of Strawn, but now a resident of Sweetwater; Mrs. Bert C. Hearn, city; O. B. Martin, City; Mr. Shifflett, City; H. T. Ury, Blackwell.

## Kuteman Well Now Drilling Below the 4,500 Foot Level

Drilling at Kuteman Well, near Maryneal, is nearing the 4,500 foot level, reports say. Tuesday the drill was working at 2,530 feet, with good progress being made and water well under control.

This well has been drilling almost two years. The depth is now such that much interest is manifested in the well.

Several favorable showings of gas and oil were encountered between 3,000 and 3,700 feet, reports Manager Gibbs of the Wichita-Noian Company, owners of the property.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses as follows have been issued this week, according to the records in the department of the Cupid presided over by Deputy Clerk Gus Farrar:

Hugh Jeffrey, Sylvester, and Miss Vida Williams, Sylvester.

B. J. Boyd, Panhandle; and Miss Josephine Huff, Abilene.

C. W. Howard, Electra; and Miss Rea Black, Lorenzo.

## Watching 'Em Pass Along is Popular Pastime of Evening

"Hurry and get through supper and let's go down and park on the square and see what's going on."

This is a common thought in Sweetwater. Parking along the curb of evenings to watch the pedestrians parade by is a popular pastime with men, women and children.

So keen are the sightseers to get preferred positions on the square, that cold suppers are crowded down regardless of the danger of subsequent indigestion. Someone else might beat 'em to the best vantage point on the west side of Oak street, the "peacock alley" of Sweetwater at evening tide.

And the harmless gossip one hears goes like this:

"There she is—she is the woman I was telling you about the other day."

"Look—there is that girl whose aunt is going with old man So-in-so; isn't she so like her mother?"

"Don't you know that bald-headed fellow who just went in the picture show there with that henna-haired girl? Why, he has been married three times, they say."

"Oh, I am so tired tonight that I simply did not feel like dressing up to go to the show, and we're just looking at the crowd in our house slippers 'nervething'."

And so it goes. Tomorrow night they'll be back to see what is going on.

In order that everyone may see better, autoists should arrange their cars in two tiers along the best streets, or else limit parking privileges to twenty minutes for each car.

## Three New Cottages Being Built on South Side by Z. T. Brooks

Three cottages are being erected near the South Ward School by Z. T. Brooks, recently from Oklahoma. The houses will have four rooms and bath.

Mr. Brooks will occupy one of the houses and rent the other two, according to reports.

### PRAIRIE FIRE ATTRACTS AUTOIST AT MIDNIGHT

A small prairie fire just to the southwest of Trammell Court, South Side, attracted hundreds of autoists about midnight Wednesday. The fire department, assisted by volunteers, soon stopped headway of the fire.

## Funeral for Jack Frost at Roscoe This Afternoon

Funeral services for Jack Frost, who died in Siberia while serving in the United States Navy, will be held at Roscoe this afternoon at 4 o'clock, under the auspices of the American Legion. His body has just been returned to this country.

Deceased is a brother of Belton Frost of this city.

Members of the American Legion will meet at the hall in Sweetwater at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at the call of Post Commander Dick Wood, when arrangements will be made to escort the body to the cemetery at Roscoe.

### LOCAL MAN IN CHARGE OF DEFUNCT STATE BANK

H. L. Jennings, recently appointed state bank examiner by Banking Commissioner Ed Hall of Austin, is now in charge of the First State Bank at Caddo, that was closed a few days ago. Mr. Jennings was with a local bank when his appointment was announced.

### PULLMAN CAFE CHANGES HANDS TWICE IN WEEK.

Pullman Cafe has been sold twice since last Sunday, the first time to Mr. Kottenbarger of the Tom Price shoe shop, and involving a trade on 471 acres of land near College Station, valued at \$12,000, with the cafe at \$9,000.

G. R. Westbrook, who hails from East Texas bought the cafe through Key & Wood, Tuesday, trading in 219 acres of land in Cass county.

### TWO MORE HEARTS MAD ONE BY VETERAN MINISTER

Two more hearts were made one when Rev. J. C. Moore, veteran minister of the Methodist faith, officiated at the wedding a week ago of Miss Belle Daniels and H. H. Rape at his home in this city.

Mrs. Rape is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Daniels, Roe Ranch; Mr. Rape is a member of the Warren Garage force. They will reside here.



**ROSCOE MERCHANTS READY FOR BIG RUSH INCIDENT TO COTTON SEASON BLACKWELL GINS RUNNING AT CAPACITY**

Perhaps nowhere in the county has the cotton season created such a stir in business activity as at Roscoe, where, according to leading merchants it is expected that a much larger crop will be gathered than was looked for a few weeks ago.

Two gins are working almost full time. The third gin will be ready for operation in a few days.

Merchants reported to a representative of the American who visited that town during the week that business was getting better every day. Fall stocks of goods are arriving in anticipation of an unusually heavy trade.

Blackwell farmers are progressing well with the cotton harvest, gins of that place being in the midst of a very busy season. There, too, the merchants are feeling good over the prospects of a coming era of business activity.

Reports from every section of the Sweetwater territory indicate that the cotton production will be much better than was expected a short while ago, which, with the strong market on that staple, creates a feeling of optimism that all will be well. Feed crops made a satisfactory yield over the entire country, it is said.

**Bureau Sales Force in Cotton Pool are Satisfactorily Bonded**

Officials of the Farm Bureau of Texas who are directing the sale of the staple pooled by members of that organization are under adequate bond and have satisfied certain banking interests of this city as well as over the state that the plan of marketing the cotton entrusted them is in line with approved business methods, according to a letter posted at the City National Bank and written by T. Vard Woodruff from Dallas last week, where he went on legal business.

Quite a quantity of cotton has been shipped from this county for portside, a majority of it going via Brownwood to be compressed. As some of the cotton shipped is on consignment or for storage, banks will be interested in knowing the result of the investigation, not that there was any trouble expected, but as a matter of business, it is said.

**American Cafe Is Open for Business Is Real Show Place**

The American, Sweetwater newest Cafe, opened for business yesterday, with W. H. Kile and J. H. Parker, owners, in charge.

This cafe is located at the corner of Oak and West North First Street. It is furnished throughout with marble top tables and counter, refrigerated show cases and modern service equipment, representing an investment of no small figure.

"We want the people of Sweetwater to feel at home in the American," said Mr. Kile last night. "Our place will give each guest the best of service and endeavor to satisfy his appetite."

The interior is beautiful and home-like. It should please.

Mr. Kile is known to the public of West Texas, having been in the cafe business for years. For three years he has operated the American Cafe at Abilene, considered one of the best in this section. Mr. Parker, likewise is familiar with the business.

A feature of the new cafe is the large store room, with refrigerator capacity to insure adequate stocks of perishables as well as staple supplies. Sanitary furnishings are another noteworthy provision.

The American will be open day and night.

Mr. Kile will have charge of the American here. Mr. Parker will remain at Abilene.

**Rebekahs Celebrate 70th Anniversary of Lodge With I. O. O. F.**

Rebekahs celebrated the 70th anniversary of the lodge Tuesday evening at I. O. O. F. Hall, members of the Odd Fellows joining them in open lodge meeting. A chicken luncheon, with cake, coffee and other delicacies, marked the program.

In charge for the I. O. O. F. was J. M. Simms, degree master, while Mrs. J. Waggoner, noble grand, presided for the Rebekahs. The attendance was large, good fellowship prevailing throughout the evening.

One trouble with baseball is the tendency of players to make up with their mouths for what they can't do with their hands.

**Hurrah, Kids, Big Circus Coming Here Thursday, Oct. 6**

Holding forth a promise of elephants upon which to ride, popcorn to chew and the other attractions which time never dims, the Carl Hagenbeck and Great Wallace Shows combined, the largest circus organization in the world, will arrive in Sweetwater, Thursday, Oct. 6.

Three rings, two stages and a mile hippodrome track are included in the great outfit, and there will be something doing every minute, according to a representative of the show here yesterday.

There is probably no social subject upon which there is such a general misconception as the domestic life of the people of the circus," said advance agent of the Hagenbeck-Wallace shows last night. "The opinion of the general public is that the followers of the 'white tops' are merely nomads, little, if any, more ambitious to have a habitation and name than are gypsies.

"Circus women, with the exception of those who are engaged during the winter performing in theatres, are never to be found in the big cities. They make their homes almost invariably in the smaller towns or upon the farm. Those who find it necessary to keep in practice during the winter, fit up a room in their home or a space in their barn for that purpose. The remainder of the time they devote to the ordinary pursuits of the housewife.

"They have their small circles of friends who know them and appreciate their value as hard-working, good-tempered women of exceptionally generous and charitable dispositions. They are, as a class, most moral women. Their calling necessitates the hardest of work and perfect physical condition, and it is safe to assert that the majority of them are consistent Christian women. They realize the hazardous character of their employment and they appreciate the fact that their sisters sometimes meet the accidents that take them before their maker in the twinkling of an eye, and as a class they keep themselves prepared, as best they may, to meet the same fate.

**FREIGHT TRAFFIC SHOWS INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS MONTHS OF 25 PER CENT; CATTLE SHIPMENTS ONLY FAIR**

Railway tonnage in and out of Sweetwater, as well as through shipments, show an increase of about 25 per cent over the traffic of a month ago, according to local freight agents.

Building material, cotton, fruits and vegetables make up the bulk of tonnage figuring in the increase. Just now, apples and spuds originating in New Mexico and California are moving to the market centers north and east of this point.

The movement of building material denotes renewed activity in building trades, due partly, it is said, to reduced wages and the plentiful supply of laborers and building tradesmen.

Cattle are not moving marketward in very large quantities. Cotton shipments are fair for this season. Some mules and cattle are finding their way into Mexico from Sweetwater and adjacent points.

**Mason Gets Spiked in Amarillo Series; Swatters Take Leave**

Brick Mason, right fielder of the Swatters, brought back a severely spiked foot as the result of the series of ball played by the club at Amarillo. Amarillo took 'em all.

Following the series, the club disbanded, most of the members going directly to their homes from the Plains towns. A few of the players will stop over in Fort Worth to witness the Dixie series between Fort Worth and Memphis.

So long, boys, until spring.

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## R. and R. Queen

MONDAY

Regular Prices

### Coming from Afar to See "Old Nest" at Queen Oct. 3-4

Movie lovers from miles around Sweetwater will come to the Queen Theatre to see the "Old Nest", Monday and Tuesday, October 3 and 4, according to information received by Manager H. M. Rogers.

This information has come also to many here from friends at points in this territory. The picture's appeal is such that everyone should see it, hence Manager Rogers is assured that his theatre will be crowded during the exhibitions.

As stated last issue, "Old Nest," is one of the strongest photo dramas ever presented by Goldwyn. Rupert T. Hughes is responsible for the wonderful settings, built around the old home, mother, the prodigal, final re-

union and ultimate happiness of the family.

Shows will start on the hour: 2, 4, 6, 8 and 9:45 p. m., said Mr. Rogers, in order that each person may get the full benefit of the play.

### EXTRAORDINARY CAST FOR GREAT WAR PLAY

"The Heart of Maryland" Enacted by Notable Players.

When "The Heart of Maryland," Vitagraph's special production of the famous stage success written and produced twenty-five years ago by David Belasco, is shown at the Queen Theatre on Monday teahater goers will see as fine a cast as Mr. Belasco presented in the original stage production. Mrs. Carter was just beginning her highly successful stage career, and Mr. Belasco produced "The Heart of

Maryland" in a most lavish manner with the best cast obtainable. As a screen play Vitagraph has even exceeded Mr. Belasco in the magnitude of its production. The screen offers possibilities that the stage cannot.

In Vitagraph's screen presentation of "The Heart of Maryland" Catherine Calvert, famous on the stage as well as the screen, has the role originated by Mrs. Carter. Her leading man is Crane Wilbur, who plays the role originated by the late Maurice Barrymore, affther of Ethel, John and Lionel and later played by the late Herbert Kecey, who starred so long with his wife, Effie Shannon. The role played by John E. Kellered on the stage is played by Felix Krembs on the screen. Cyril Scott and later Grant Mitchell, both now well-known stars, appeared as Bob Telfair. This role is now assumed by Ben Lyon. The unfortunate Lloyd Calvert was played by Edward J. Morgan, the original Ben Hur and later an acknowledged star. William Collier, Jr., son of the famous

comedian, plays the role in the Vitagraph production. In fact, taking the casts in both original stage production and Vitagraph's screen presentation of "The Heart of Maryland," there is little difference in merit. Both were as nearly perfect as possible.

### Moore and Hightower Selected Delegates to U. C. V. Reunion

W. T. Hightower and Rev. J. C. Moore are the delegates appointed here to attend the annual reunion of Confederate Veterans to be held at Chattanooga, Tenn., October 25, 26 and 27.

Alternate delegates selected were J. T. Johnson and John R. Lewis.

Delegates will be guests of hotels and private homes this year, instead of being cared for at a camp, according to Mr. Hightower.

The reunion was held at Houston last year.

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Report of the Condition of the  
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In the State of Texas, at the close of business on Sept. 6, 1921.

### RESOURCES

(a) Loans and discounts, including rediscounts (except those shown in b and c) \$319,255.58 \$319,255.58

Overdrafts, secured, \$3,506.12; unsecured \$497.09 4,003.21

U. S. Go. securities owned:

a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value \$100,000.00

b All other U. S. Government securities \$2,229.88

Total 102,229.88

Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc. 4,450.00

Banking House, Furniture & Fixtures 20,049.21

Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank 19,018.15

Cash in vault and amount due from Nat'l. banks 27,505.85

Amount due from State banks, bankers and trust companies in U. S. (other than included in items 8, 9 or 10) 1,579.25

Total of items 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 \$29,085.10

Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. and due from U. S. Treasurer 5,000.00

Other Assets, if any: Bills of exchange 35,471.77

Total \$538,562.90

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00

Surplus fund 6,000.00

Undivided profits \$9,724.53

c Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid \$4,066.47 5,658.06

Circulat. notes outstanding 100,000.00

Amount due to Nat'l banks 26.51

Amount due to State banks, bankers and trust companies in the U. S. and foreign countries (other than included in items 21 or 22 28,677.38

Certified checks outstanding 345.11

Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding 7,930.86

Total of items 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, \$36,979.86

Ind. deposits sub. to check 253,248.73

Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) sub. to Reserve, items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31, \$253,248.73

Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) 16,676.25

Total of Time deposits subject to Reserve, items 32, 33, 34, and 35, \$16,676.25

Bills Payable, other than Federal Reserve Bank (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts 20,000.00

Total \$538,562.90

STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Nolan, ss:

I, E. C. Brand, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. C. BRAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 1921.

J. M. JONES, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
G. F. Majors,  
S. I. Edwards,  
John M. Alsdorf,  
Directors.

No. 1114

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of

THE TEXAS BANK & TRUST CO.

of Sweetwater, at Sweetwater, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 6th day of September, 1921, published in the Sweetwater American, a newspaper published at Sweetwater, State of Texas, on the 25th day of September, 1921:

### RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral \$400,746.90

Loans, real estate 580.00

Overdrafts 2,986.92

Bonds and stocks 12,643.50

Real Estate (banking house) 20,000.00

Other real estate 21,700.00

Furniture and Fixtures 8,500.00

Due from other banks and bankers, and cash on hand 156,475.06

Interest in depositor's guaranty fund 2,278.08

Assessment depositors' guaranty fund 5,632.69

Acceptances and bills of exchange 27,188.48

Other resources 2,500.00

Total \$661,232.65

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00

Surplus fund 87,500.00

Undivided profits, net 2,146.00

Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, net 5,480.49

Individual deposits, subject to check 453,666.78

Savings deposits None

Time certificates of deposit 12,359.38

Demand certificates of deposit None

Cashier's checks None

Bills payable and rediscounts None

Cert. of deposit issued for money borrowed None

Dividends unpaid 80.00

Total \$661,232.65

STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Nolan:

We, G. E. Bradford, as president, and Geo. W. Willis, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. E. BRADFORD, President.

GEO. W. WILLIS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of September, A. D. 1921.

(Seal) W. W. HULL,  
Notary Public, Nolan County, Texas.

Correct—Attest:

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### U. S. LOANS LOOMING.

Thousands of dollars within the next few weeks, will be placed to the credit of Texas cattlemen, bankers, trust companies and loan companies a Government loans, relieving immense financial pressure and liquidating numerous debts that have been carried for many months.

This was the announcement Monday by Marion Sansom, chairman of the newly formed Agricultural and Livestock Loan Agency of the War Finance Corporation. Sansom, whose committee will have jurisdiction over Texas and New Mexico, said the agency awaits only the arrival of blanks and the organization of the committee to begin operations. Blanks are expected to arrive Tuesday. The committee will hold its organization meeting Thursday morning and the blanks then will be forwarded to banks throughout the State, Sansom estimated that within a week after an application has been made the money will be in the hands of the applicant.

This is one of the brightest financial rays that has lighted the sky for months, and should Mr. Sansom's prophecy come true, industries, such as the cattle business, that have been crippled for months, should take on new activity. Federal farm loans are being made now; additional money is to become available for this purpose soon, all of which means a renewal of developments which have been lagging since reconstruction followed the war.

West Texas should reap much benefit from easier money, provided of course, that the loans can be negotiated without too much unnecessary red tape.

Here is hoping that this is another evidence of Mr. Harding's normalcy, which to this date has been entirely too normal for the fellow who is holding the bag.

### HOW ABOUT BASEBALL IN 1922?

Everybody wants to know what Sweetwater expects to have in the way of baseball in 1922, says Popboy Smith, Swatter manager first half, and big chief of the Ballinger Beavers while the last half was in season. When they ask Popboy if Ballinger will be in the league next year he replies:

"I do not know. Will Sweetwater?"  
 Will Sweetwater? That is the question and the fans say Sweetwater will.

But—  
 After the trials of the past season, it is evident that some changes must be made if Sweetwater is to maintain high class baseball as a clean sport. Everyone admits this.

The American is not an authority on the game, but can draw some conclusions from talks heard in fandom.

It runs about like this: Get a good fan who will back the club.  
 Get a park independent of municipal influence.

Get down to business; play for every game as though the pennant depended on every play made.

Cut out any tendency to throw a single game.

Work for complete harmony.  
 Play Sunday baseball here if it is played in other towns composing the West Texas League.

Insist on having a competent man as president of the League.

See that the salary limit is enforced by all clubs.

Cut down the number of rookies as much as possible at the beginning of the season, to avoid expense.

Insist on every fan co-operating with the club management.

Get the pennant in both halves.

As suggested by the American, Sweetwater could do nothing more appropriate than to send a flying squadron into the trade territory to mingle with those who have helped by their business dealings to make this the commercial center it is. Get better acquainted with Roscoe, Blackwell, Roby, Rotan, Longworth, McCaulley, Hamlin, Hermleigh, Snyder and the other towns that pay tribute to Sweetwater.

Do you ever think to drop around to the office of the county judge and talk over the affairs of this county? Judge Maury is giving the best part of his life to the public. He will appreciate suggestions; his work should be of interest to each tax payer. Keep in touch with your county officials,

## DEATH

(By a Sweetwater Physician)

In old age, assimilation, oxidation and energy of force, going on in the organism fall out of this correspondence of oxygen, food and absorption of heat. Disease overbalance the organs—they begin to cease functioning properly with this environment, on and on, with death as the product. This is natural death, but Paul said there was another death "To be carnally minded is death."

May this kind of death by the same hypothesis be explained?

Since natural death is a lack or want of correspondence of the organism with a spiritual environment.

Natural environments are all the surroundings of the natural man—where he moves, breathes and has his existence or being, all of which he is conscious.

But there is another environment of which he is not conscious—such as the moon, stars, polar regions, etc.

Environment and correspondence are both limited and unlimited. To vegetables, trees, etc, they are limited to their surrounding area, likewise man, but in a modified way as man possesses the ability to change his surroundings. Changing surroundings do not change environments. They remain identical.

Man lives to correspond. He corresponds to live. Correspond with what? Environment.

To change life means to change environments.

Natural death changes conscious life (to things external) to an unconscious one to things external, but conscious of its surrounding existence. Hence consciousness of existence is not affected by death.

This declares that that which lives in the natural world will live also in the world to come, hence consciousness is an attribute of the natural, also of the future world and over which death has no power—an attribute that passed from external environments to environments of the world beyond, therefore seen or unseen environments do not change or alter conscious life. The life may be changed but consciousness of life remain unchanged. The natural must first exist before the spiritual can ever exist. Changing from the natural to the spiritual does not alter consciousness of the life, manifested by that which gives rise to the life.

That which gives rise to the life must be changed, but this transformation only affects form and substance, hence we hear Paul say "Then shall I know, even also, as I am known."

In the natural world, all correspondence is natural, and whatever correspondence is had with the spiritual is called spiritual correspondence. The later is very incomplete while the organism lives in this world, but at death, complete correspondence with the other world begins, and the natural ceases.

This, again, is death. So man is not in correspondence in toto, while natural life lasts.

For "correspondencies" let "communion be substituted, as this term expresses a relation—"Those who have such a communion with God, live (spiritually). Those who do not are dead (spiritually), hence "to be carnally minded," means no communion with God.

The extent of this correspondence or communion is of varying degrees. Some correspond or commune with God more than others—a spiritual communion—to have such one must be spiritual, hence some are more spiritual than others. This is indicative of a spiritual growth. True enough because the environment communicated with, is God, who is a Spirit.

The carnal mind (or soul) is limited to one sphere or realm—only one set of environments—but when God dwells in the body, there are two environments, with which to commune or correspond. The higher ideal always predominates.

This proclamation continues with they are human; they like to talk to you about things of mutual interest.

It takes about all of our time running this paper and doing our regular amount of fishing, therefore if we do not feed you on free advice and suggestions as to how you should run your affairs and what should be charged for the things you have to sell, just look on the editorial pages of some other rag and find it.

It soon will be cool enough for our baseball fans to while away the evenings with popping corn and parching peanuts round the oil stove.

We get right lonesome when reading about the fine fairs our neighbor towns are having. Sweetwater is not doing it this season.

## LOOKS LIKE SWEETWATER MUST PENSION DUAL OFFICIAL WHETHER SHE WANTS TO OR NOT; HOW CAN HE REMAIN SILENT?

How can the mayor of Sweetwater continue to hold the office of secretary of the Board of City Development in view of the expressed dissatisfaction of a majority of the people of Sweetwater, and in view of the fact that beyond a doubt his act therein is contrary to the constitution of Texas and the city charter?

How can the secretary of the Board of City Development continue to hold the position of mayor of Sweetwater when he knows that this is distasteful to a majority of the taxpayers?

Why do not these "TWO" parties explain HIS position to the people who elected him?

From the hills around Lake Trammel to the land brakes to the north echo answers why, but the mayor-secretary is silent.

The people of West Texas raised their voice against Governor Neff and the Legislature in protest of "taxation without representation." The state was redistricted—for the first time in twenty years. Good results.

Yet today this city is without a legal mayor; the Board of City Development is spending the money paid into the city treasury for its use—without a legally authorized secretary. That these acts may lead to involving legalities some day, cannot be disputed.

Should it become necessary to vote bonds for needed improvements, there is always the fear that expert opinion would show that there is no legal city government. The taxpayer would suffer. They would pay.

How a man can have the brzen gall to draw a pension from the public treasury under such circumstances passes all understanding.

The mayor appoints the member of the Board of City Development. They appoint the mayor as secretary—because he wanted it to be so. The city attorney has never questioned the legality of this action publicly. Various legal opinions have been rendered to show that the dual office holding is unconstitutional. Where do the people come in?

Is it true that Sweetwater cannot produce two men who are capable of holding these two positions? Why should so much power be delegated to one man?

Why did the attorney general of Texas say that the mayor of San Angelo could not hold a second office at one and the same time. Surely, our state laws apply to all towns and cities alike.

Show the people of Sweetwater what good has been done by the expenditure of \$6,000 per year through the Board of City Development as directed by the mayor-secretary (or the secretary-mayor).

Mr. Dual Officer, give the people a detailed statement of the expenditures made; of the benefits received.

Texas voted down a paltry pension increase for the grand old veterans of the Civil War, yet the people of Sweetwater are required to dig up a pension for an able-bodied man.

all its environments, and soon there is a falling out of correspondence with the lower because more satisfaction comes from the Higher Ideal, hence a growth, slowly but gradually going on to a perfect development of the Soul from its psychical nature to the spiritual nature, or a quickened spirit in its entirety.—A Citizen.

## B. L. Beach Buys Whaley Home From Joseph Jenkins

B. L. Beach, a member of the Sweetwater Drug Company and cotton man, has purchased the W. H. Whaley residence on Locust Street from Joseph Jenkins and has occupied same.

Mr. Beach stated to a representative of the American that he had decided to locate permanently in Sweetwater after an investigation of numerous cities and towns in West Texas, and is proud to be numbered among the home owners.

## DUCKS COMING EARLY; CURLEW AND PLOVER IN ANNUAL FLIGHT SOUTH

Ducks are coming down early this season, it is reported by those who visit nearby lakes. Curlew, rarely seen in this section, have stopped off around Sweetwater in their flight to the South.

A few plover have been seen on the divide, but owing to the scarcity of water, very few of these birds remain here long, say dove hunters who have investigated the matter.

Doves are plentiful everywhere, especially around water holes. The duck season opens Sept. 16.

## ROAD TAX ADDED GIVES CITY PROPERTY OWNER \$3.52 TOTAL ON \$100 VALUATION

In estimating the total tax rate for Sweetwater at \$3.27 in last Sunday's issue of the American, the special road tax of 25c on the \$100 valuation was omitted. With this added, the rate is \$3.52, divided as follows:

County rate, 75c; State rate, 62c; road tax, 25c; city tax, \$1.40; school tax, 50c.

All of these taxes become due on and after October 1. All who pay property taxes have a poll tax charged against them, except in case of exemptions.

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## PERSONALS

J. G. Polk Harris, Maryneal ranchman, spent Monday in the city.

Auction Sale every day at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. Quast.

Rev. A. D. Lee, wife and daughter, of Westbrook, spent Tuesday here with J. H. Posey and family.

Jewelry auction sale at Quast attracting best buyers.

Phone your news to the American—No. 584.

A telephone line will be run to Lake Santa Fe by the Club management, according to President Otto Carter.

Get that watch at Quast Auction Sale.

Few things increase in value with the passing of time—one of them is portraits.—Willis Art Gallery.

Phonographs at your own bid at Quast Auction Sale.

W. H. and I. W. Brashear spent Thursday at Roby, reporting upon their return that all gins at that place were crowded with cotton.

Your diamond desire can be filled by buying it now at Quast Auction Sale.

When you don't know what to say—send your photograph.—Willis Art Gallery.

Ed. J. Hammer spent the day in Abilene Wednesday looking after legal business.

Get that Silverware at Quast Auction Sale.

Make your little girl happy with a picture of "Daddy Dear."—Willis Art Gallery.

Mrs. J. H. Clark has been called to Lone Oak on account of the illness of an uncle.

Help the High School by buying a season athletic ticket, or by a contribution.

J. L. Jennings, an attorney of Canadian, spent Thursday here on business.

W. H. Jobe has been called to serve on the federal grand jury at Abilene this week.

Help the High School by buying a season athletic ticket, or by a contribution.

Help the High School by buying a season athletic ticket, or by a contribution.

Buy Christmas presents now—save. Quast Auction Sale.

A new garage is being erected at the home of John H. Cochran, East North Second Street, according to Gray Company.

Harry Howell of the Nolan community, is building a 3-room cottage on his farm, reports the Burton-Lingo Company, lumber dealers of this city.

Pearl Necklaces, Diamond Lavallieres, Quast Auction Sale.

Help the High School by buying a season athletic ticket, or by a contribution.

Diamond Cluster Rings for the girl. Quast Auction Sale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Roland of Lake Trammell spent Tuesday morning in the city, Mrs. Roland having some dental work done.

A nice mantel clock for the whole family at Quast Auction Sale.

R. M. Simmons, with the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Co., here, spent Tuesday at Post City.

Fountain Pens, yes, at Quast Auction Sale.

Buddie Stafford of Coleman arrived a few days ago to visit his brother, Herman Stafford, of the Stafford Garage.

Miss Mamie Wilkins of Maryneal, went to Abilene Monday to enter a business college. She is the daughter of R. N. Wilkins.

Get the wife a Cameo Brooch at Quast Auction Sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wood leave today for El Paso to attend the annual state convention of American Legion.

Mr. Wood, post commander of Oscar McDonald Post, Sweetwater, will represent this organization.

A Good Photograph—is not a luxury. It is a necessity. Remember you may not always have that dear one of the family with you.—Willis Art Gallery.

A bench has been placed alongside the American Cafe for those who have time to "park" themselves and talk over the current events of the day or evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert H. Graves, of Winslow, Ariz., are here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Graves. Gilbert visited Mrs. Frank Stinchcomb at Abilene during the week. He is head time keeper for the Santa Fe railway at his home town.

D. B. Reed has accepted a position in the White House Grocery, operated by W. K. Miller. Mr. Miller reports that his business has developed to the extent that he finds it necessary to put on the additional man and to install delivery.

The Wright Furniture Company of this city has purchased the stock of the Garrett-Brannon Furniture Co. at Big Spring, sold at auction by referee in bankruptcy. The price paid was \$3,600, or about 40 per cent of invoice, according to reports from Big Spring.

W. W. Fambrough, formerly of the Divide Country, this county, but now a resident of Abilene, takes occasion to write Messrs. McCall & Gordon, here, to know if Sweetwater is to have a baseball team next year. Not knowing what to say, we suggest that he ask Judge Landis.

Tom Ferris in company with Ben F. Young, a drug representative of Waco, made a tour of the plains country last week. Mr. Ferris says that conditions are fine to the Northwest; that feed crops produced so well that farmers find it hard to store all of their forage and grain.

HOUSE AT A BARGAIN—For sale, four-room house, sleeping porch; corner lot, 75x150, corner Paterson and East South Second Street; Price \$2,800, cash payment of \$300, balance \$25 monthly at 8 per cent interest. See J. C. Babb, over City National Bank. 61p

I. R. Stuart and A. D. Tucker, Sweetwater young men, have established the Uneda Tailoring Company at 119 Oak Street, doing a general tailoring business. Both of the young men are hustlers, and their friends predict that they will be successful in the new undertaking.

Some men are unable to walk down to the street corner to do a few errands for their wives, will be able to go out hunting and tramp ten or twenty miles.

## Plans Under Way For Fall Roundup At Swatter Park

Plans for the big Fall Roundup and Jubilee to be held here October 14 and 15 are well under way, according to reports from ranches and towns where cowboys and broncho busters reside.

A number of entrants will be from Sweetwater, where much interest is still held in the riding and roping game.

The affair will be staged in Swatter Park, will be open to contestants from everywhere and will carry purses for every event, according to the management.

Merchants are looking for unusually heavy business during the event.

### NOTICE OF SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Nolan:

Notice is hereby given to the public that on the 29th day of September, A. D. 1921, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. I shall sell to the highest bidder at public outcry in the town of Sweetwater, Nolan County, Texas, at my home, which is the second house south of the Ballard flour mill in said town the following described personal property: One red cow about three years of age, branded with a straight mark on the left hip, being the same cow that one R. R. Rogers purchased from Mr. Fomby in the spring of 1921.

Witness my hand, this the 20th day of September, A. D. 1921. J. D. LEE. 7-3p

The American people claim to admire independence, and then they poke fun at a fellow if he wears a straw hat on a warm day after the bell rings.

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## DEATH RECORD

### Willie Kyle

Funeral services for Willie Kyle, 35, who died in Washington, D. C., September 13, were held Tuesday morning, Rev. Stewart officiating. Services were held at the home of Mrs. N. L. Hall, aunt of Mr. Kyle. Masonic honors were accorded the deceased. Mr. Kyle was the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Kyle of Brownsfield. Interment in Sweetwater cemetery.

### Sam Neblett

The remains of Sam Neblett, 62, were interred at Sweetwater Cemetery Tuesday afternoon, Rev. R. A. Stewart in charge of the religious services, and members of the Masonic Lodge here officiating at the grave.

Mr. Neblett died Sunday afternoon following a brief illness. He had resided in this city 32 years. He was a member of the Baptist church, but owing to the absence from the city of Rev. T. Y. Adams, pastor, Rev. Stewart was called to conduct the funeral services.

Surviving are his wife, three sons and a daughter, also a brother, Ed Neblett and a sister, Mrs. J. B. Foster.

It is denied that the Russian bolshevist officials are doing nothing to relieve the famine, as they are trying to defend the people who keep them in office.

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## FOR HIM

By MOLLIE MATHER.

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She was a small creature with wide appealing eyes of blue. And what the men found to so admire in her was more than other women could see. Among themselves they discussed her as a vampish person to be righteously avoided.

Certain it was that from the moment Meda Brown became a member of the Husted house party, swains old and young left their formerly adored to follow in her train. And, Meda Brown; what a plain name.

Nevertheless, the demure one triumphed easily—everywhere. The strange thing was that she did not try for the triumphs, or seem to care. Usually she had to be hunted out in some secluded corner, or forestalled on one of her customary walks down the road. Gwen Persou's fiance was continually seen in the unwelcome Meda's company, and of late Marion Grovenor's heretofore faithful attendant was usually to be found there too.

The women's cool attitude toward the interloper showed their displeasure. What right had Julie Husted to bring this unknown relative of her husband's among them?

When Tom Lacy met her, Meda was gleaning with her Husted cousins on the bank of a stream. She talked to Tom, as he happened along, while her cousins fished. And though Tom Lacy believed himself to be in love with Marion Grovenor, he lingered and thought the little Meda Brown person very entertaining, indeed.

It was always that way. As days passed he planned and schemed for them eagerly.

Meda was so delightfully surprising. She could be gravely, wisely sympathetic or infectiously gay and merry.

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Tom knew the rest. He had heard it before. If he cared for Marion his friendliness with the pleasing Meda must cease. The trouble was that he did not know this could be done. Meda was so different from flirtatious maids he had known. His friendship for her was a real and vital thing. Or was the deep feeling merely friendship? Then Tom Lacy knew—it was love. He told her frankly, as they sat together, that he had intended to marry Marion, and that he had thought he cared for her until Meda came. And, he recalled as he spoke, the many bitter things Marion had said of the girl, who now listened; the unkind tale of her unscrupulous conquests, her heartless triumphs, and he felt that the revelation of Marion's nature, with her unreasoning jealousies, had killed, at its beginning, any love that might have been. Tom, in his eloquence, was not aware of all that he said. He

impressed upon Meda Brown his own belief in her, despite Marion and all others. And when he had finished, waiting breathlessly his fate, Meda, her soft eyes suddenly aglow, threw back her head and laughed. Tom stared, growing very white.

"You, too," laughed Meda, "so you had to love me. Though before we met you intended to marry Miss Grove-

nor."

Still smiling, Meda looked back at him, "Go and marry her, my dear friend," she said, "for I have finished."

Tom sat, after she had gone, trying to understand. He had not known that love could so make one suffer. Love, how little he had realized its meaning. So they were right, Marion and the rest of the women; it was unbelievable.

Tom Lacy stood undecidedly. He did not want to go back to the house. A little cottage stood at the end of the country lane. He and Meda had stopped there sometimes to visit a solitary old woman. Meda liked to play for the lonely one on her old

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# SPANISH DOUBLOONS



## CHAPTER I.

### An Aunt Errand.

Never had life seemed more fair and smiling than at the moment when Aunt Jane's letter descended upon me like a bolt from the blue. The fact is, I was taking a vacation from Aunt Jane. Being an orphan, I was supposed to be under Aunt Jane's wing, but this was the merest polite fiction, and I am sure that no hen with one chicken worries about it more than I did about Aunt Jane. I had spent the last three years, since Aunt Susan died and left Aunt Jane with all the money and no one to look after but me, in snatching her from the brink of disaster. Her most recent and narrow escape was from a velvet-tongued person of half her years who turned out to be a convict on parole. She had her handbag packed for the elopement when I confronted her with this unpleasant fact. When she came to she was bitter instead of grateful, and went about for weeks presenting a spectacle of blighted affections which was too much for the most self-approving conscience. So it ended with my packing her off to New York, where I wrote to her frequently and kindly, urging her not to mind me but to stay as long as she liked.

Meanwhile I came up to the ranch for a long holiday with Bess and the baby, a holiday which had already stretched itself out to Thanksgiving, and threatened to last until Christmas.

As to Aunt Jane, my state of mind was fatuously calm. She was staying with cousins, who live in a suburb and are frightfully respectable. I was sure they numbered no convicts among their acquaintance, or indeed any one from whom Aunt Jane was likely to require rescuing. And if it came to a retired missionary I was perfectly willing.

But the cousins and their respectability are of the passive order, whereas to manage Aunt Jane demands aggressive and continuous action. Hence the bolt from the blue above alluded to.

I was swinging tranquilly in the hammock, I remember, when Bess brought my letters and then hurried away because the baby had fallen downstairs. Unwarned by the slightest premonitory thrill, I kept Aunt Jane's letter till the last and skimmed through all the others.

At last I came to Aunt Jane. I ripped open the envelope and drew out the letter—a fat one, but then Aunt Jane's letters are always fat. Nevertheless, as I spread out the close-filled pages I felt a mild wonder. Writing so large, so black, so staggering, so madly underlined, must indicate something above even Aunt Jane's usual emotional level. Perhaps in sober truth there was a missionary—

Twenty minutes later I staggered into Bess' room.

"Hush!" she said. "Don't wake the baby!"

"Baby or no baby," I whispered savagely. "I've got to have a time-table. I leave for the city tonight to catch the first steamer for Panama!"

Later, while the baby slumbered and I packed, I explained. This was difficult; not that Bess is as general thing obtuse, but because the picture of Aunt Jane embarking for some wild, lone isle of the Pacific as the head of a treasure-seeking expedition was enough to shake the strongest intellect. And yet, amid the welter of ink and eloquence which filled those fateful pages, there was the cold hard fact confronting you. Aunt Jane was going to look for buried treasure, in company with one Violet Higgleby-Browne, whom she sprung on you without the slightest explanation, as though alluding to the queen of Sheba or the Siamese twins. By beginning at the end and reading backward—Aunt Jane's letters are usually most intelligible that way—you managed to piece together some explanation of this Miss Higgleby-Browne and her place in the scheme of things. It was through Miss Browne, whom she had met at a lecture upon Soul-Development, that Aunt Jane had come to realize her claims as an individual upon the Cosmos, also to discover that she was by nature a woman of affairs with a talent for directing large enterprises, although adverse influences had hitherto kept her from recognizing her powers. There was a dark significance in these "adverse influences," though whether they meant me or the family lawyer I was not sure.

Miss Higgleby-Browne, however, had assisted Aunt Jane to find herself, and as a consequence Aunt Jane, for the comparatively trifling outlay needed to finance the Harding-Browne expedition, would shortly be the richer by one-fourth of a vast treasure of

Spanish doubloons. The knowledge of this hoard was Miss Higgleby-Browne's alone. It had been revealed to her by a dying sailor in a London hospital, whither she had gone on a mission of kindness—you gathered that Miss Browne was precisely the sort to take advantage when people were helpless and unable to fly from her. Why the dying sailor chose to make Miss Browne the repository of his secret, I don't know—this still remains for me the unsolved mystery. But when the sailor closed his eyes the secret and the map—of course there was a map—had become Miss Higgleby-Browne's.

Miss Browne now had clear before her the road to fortune, but unfortunately it led across the sea and quite out of the route of steamer travel. Capital in excess of Miss Browne's resources was required. London proving cold before its great opportunity, Miss Browne had shaken out its dust and come to New York, where a mysteriously potent influence had guided her to Aunt Jane. Through Miss Browne's great organizing abilities, not to speak of those newly brought to light in Aunt Jane, a party of staunch comrades had been assembled, a steamer engaged to meet them at Panama, and it was ho, for the island in the blue Pacific main!

With this lyrical outburst Aunt Jane concluded the body of her letter. A small cramped postscript informed me that it was against Miss H.-B.'s wishes that she revealed their plans to anyone, but that she did want to hear from me before they sailed from Panama, where a letter might reach her if I was prompt.

"And of course," I explained to Bess as I hurried things into my bags, "if a letter can reach her so can I. At least I must take the chance of it. What those people are up to I don't know—probably they mean to hold her for ransom and murder her outright if it is not forthcoming. Or perhaps some of them will marry her and share the spoils with Miss Higgleby-Browne."



"I Must Get to Panama in Time to Save Her."

Anyway, I must get to Panama in time to save her."

"Or you might go along to the island," suggested Bess.

I paused to glare at her.

"Bess! And let them murder me, too?"

"Or marry you—" cooed Bess.

One month later I was climbing out of a lumbering hack before the Tivoli hotel, which rises square and white and imposing on the low green height above the old Spanish city of Panama. In spite of the melting tropical heat there was a chill fear at my heart, the fear that Aunt Jane and her band of treasure-seekers had already departed on their quest.

I crossed the broad gallery and plunged into the cool dimness of the lobby in the wake of the bellboys who, discerning a helpless prey, had swooped en masse upon my bags.

"Miss Jane Harding!" repeated the clerk, and at the cool negation of his tone my heart gave a sickening downward swoop. "Miss Jane Harding and party have left the hotel!"

"For—the island?" I gasped.

He raised his eyebrows. "Can't say, I'm sure." He gave me an appraising stare. Perhaps the woe in my face touched him, for he descended from the eminence of the hotel clerk where he dwelt apart sufficiently to add, "Is it important that you should see her?"

"I am her niece. I have come all

the way from San Francisco expecting to join her here."

The clerk meditated, his shrewd eyes piercing the very secrets of my soul.

"She knew nothing about it," I hastened to add. "I intended it for a surprise."

This candor helped my cause. "Well," he said, "that explains her not leaving any word. As you are her niece, I suppose it will do no harm to tell you that Miss Harding and her party embarked this morning on the freighter Rufus Smith, and I think it very likely that the steamer has not left port. If you like I will send a man to the water front with you and you may be able to go on board and have a talk with your aunt."

Did I thank him? I have often wondered when I waked up in the night. I have a vision of myself dashing out of the hotel, and then the hack that brought me is bearing me away. Bellboys hurried my bags in after me, and I threw them large and recklessly. Madly we clattered over cobbled ways. Out on the smooth waters of the roadstead lay ships great and small, ships with striped masts and smokeless funnels, others with faint gray spirals wreathing upward from their stacks. Was one of these the Rufus Smith, and would I reach her—or him—before the thin gray feather became a thick black plume? I thought of my aunt at the mercy of these unknown adventurers with whom she had set forth, helpless as a little fat pigeon among hawks, and I felt, desperately, that I must reach her, must save her from them and bring her safe back to shore. How I was to do this at the eleventh hour, plus about fifty-seven minutes, as at present, I hadn't considered. But experience had taught me that once in my clutches Aunt Jane would offer about as much resistance as a slightly melted wax doll. She gets so soft that you are almost afraid to touch her for fear of leaving dents.

So to get there, get there, get there, was the one prayer of my soul.

I got there, in a boat hastily commandeered by the hotel clerk's deputy. We brought up under the side of the little steamer, and the wide surprised face of a Swedish deck-hand stared down at us.

"Let me aboard! I must come aboard," I cried.

Other faces appeared, then a rope-ladder. Somehow I was mounting it—a dizzy feat to which only the tumult of my emotions made me indifferent. Bare brawny arms of sailors clutched at me and drew me to the deck. There at once I was the center of a circle of speechless and astonished persons, all men but one.

"Well?" demanded a large breezy voice. "What's this mean? What do you want aboard my ship?"

I looked up at a red-faced man in a large straw hat.

"I want my aunt," I explained.

"Your aunt?" he roared. "Why the devil should you think I've got your aunt?"

"You have got her," I replied with firmness. "I don't see her, but she's here somewhere."

The captain of the Rufus Smith shook two large red fists above his head.

"Another lunatic!" he shouted. "I'd as soon have a white horse and a minister aboard as go to sea in a floating bedlam!"

As the captain's angry thunder died away came the small, anxious voice of Aunt Jane.

"What's the matter? Oh, please tell me what's the matter!" she was saying as she edged her way into the group. Her eyes, round, pale, blinking a little in the tropical glare, roved over the circle until they lit on me. Right where she stood Aunt Jane petrified. Her poor little chin dropped until it disappeared altogether in the folds of her plump neck, and she remained speechless, stricken, immobile as a wax figure in an exhibition.

"Aunt Jane," I said, "you must come right back to shore with me." I spoke calmly, for unless you are perfectly calm with Aunt Jane you fluster her.

She replied only by a slight gobbling in her throat, but the other woman spoke in a loud voice, addressed not to me but to the universe in general.

"The Young Person is mad!" It was an unmistakably British intonation.

This, then, was Miss Violet Higgleby-Browne. I saw a grin, bony, stocky shape, in a companion costume to my aunt's. Around the edges of her cork helmet her short iron-gray hair visibly bristled. She had a massive head, and a seamed and rugged countenance which did its best to live down the humiliation of a ridiculous little nose with no bridge.

But what riveted my eyes was the deadly glare with which hers were turned on me. I saw that not only was she as certain of my identity as though she had guided me from my first tottering steps, but that in a flash she had grasped my motives, aims and purposes, and meant once for all to face, out-general and defeat me with great slaughter.

So she announced to the company with deliberation: "The Young Person is mad!"

It nettled me extremely.

"Mad!" I flung back at her. "Because I wish to save my poor aunt from such a situation as this? It would be charitable to infer madness in those who have led her into it!" When I reviewed this speech afterward I realized that it was not, under the circumstances, the best calculated to win me friends.

"Jane!" said Miss Higgleby-Browne in deep and awful tones, "the time has come to prove your strength!"

Aunt Jane proved it by uttering a shrill yelp, and clutching her hat with a reckless disregard of its having originally been that of a tota stranger. So severe were her shriek and struggles that it was with difficulty that she was borne below in the arms of two strong men.

I had seen Aunt Jane in hysterics before—she had them that time about the convict. I was not frightened, but I hurried after her—neck and neck with Miss Browne. It was fifteen minutes before Aunt Jane came to and then she would only moan. I bathed her head, and held her hand and did all the regulation things under the baleful eye of Miss Browne who steadfastly refused to go away but sat glaring like a gorgon who sees her prey about to be snatched from her.

In the midst of my ministrations I awoke suddenly to a rhythmic heave and throb which pervaded the ship. Dropping Aunt Jane's hand I rushed on deck. There lay the various pieces of my baggage, and in the distance the boat with the two brown rowers was skipping shoreward over the ripples. As for the Rufus Smith, she was under way, and heading out of the roadstead for the open sea.

I dashed aft to the captain, who stood issuing orders in the voice of an aggrieved fog-horn.

"Captain!" I cried, "wait; turn around! You must put my aunt and me ashore!"

He whirled on me, showing a crimson angry face. "Turn around, is it turn around?" he shouted. "Do you suppose I can loaf about the harbor here a-waitin' on your aunt's fits? You come aboard without me askin'! Now you can go along with the rest. This here ship has got her course set for Frisco, pickin' up Leeward Island on the way, and anybody that ain't got in that direction is welcome to jump overboard."

That is how I happened to go to Leeward Island.

## CHAPTER II.

### Apollo and Some Others.

The Rufus Smith, tramp freighter, had been chartered to convey the Harding-Browne expedition to Leeward Island, which lies about three hundred miles west of Panama, and could be picked up by the freighter in her course. She was a little dingy boat with such small accommodations that I cannot imagine where the majority of her passengers stowed themselves away. My aunt and Miss Browne had a stateroom between them the size of a packing-box, and somebody turned out and resigned another to me. I retired there to dress for dinner. In the haste of my departure from San Francisco I had not brought a trunk, so the best I was able to produce in the way of a crusher for Miss Higgleby-Browne and her fellow-passengers was a cool little white gown, which would shine at least by contrast with Miss Browne's severely utilitarian costume. White is becoming to my hair, which narrow-minded persons term red, but which has been

known to cause the more discriminating to draw heavily on the dictionary for adjectives. My face is small and heart-shaped, with features strictly for use and not for ornament, but fortunately inconspicuous. As for my eyes, I think tawny quite the nicest word, though Aunt Jane calls them hazel and I have even heard whisperers of green.

Five minutes after the gong sounded I walked into the cabin. Miss Browne, Captain Watkins of the freighter, and half a dozen men were already at the table. I slid unobtrusively into the one vacant place, fortunately remote from the captain, who glared at me savagely, as though still embittered by the recollection of my aunt's fits.

"Gentlemen," said Miss Browne in key tones, "Miss Virginia Harding."

Two of the men rose, the others stared and ducked. Except for Miss Browne and the captain, I had received on coming aboard only the most blurred impression of my fellow-voyagers. I remembered them merely as a composite of khaki and cork helmets and astounded staring faces. But I felt that as the abettors of Miss Browne a hostile and sinister atmosphere enveloped them all.

Being thus in the camp of the enemy, I sat down in silence and devoted myself to my soup. The majority of my companions did likewise—audibly. But presently I heard a voice at my left:

"I say, what a jolly good sailor you seem to be—pity your aunt's not!"

I looked up and saw Apollo sitting beside me. Or rather, shall I say a young man who might have walked out of an advertisement for a ready-made clothing house, so ideal and impossible was his beauty. He was very tall—I had to tilt my chin quite painfully to look up at him—and from the loose collar of his silk shirt his throat rose like a column. His skin was a beautiful clear pink and white just tinged with tan—like a meringue that has been in the oven for two minutes exactly. He had a straight, chiseled profile and his hair was thick and chestnut and wavy and he had clear sea-gray eyes. To give him at once his full name and titles, he was the Honorable Cuthbert Patrick Ruthmore Vane, of High Staunton Manor, Kent, England. But as I was ignorant of this, I can truthfully say that his looks stunned me purely on their own merits.

"Ah, but lads of thirteen couldn't well come such a distance on their own, you know," returned Apollo, with the kindest air of making allowance for the female intellect.

I hurriedly turned the subject.

"I really can't imagine Aunt Jane on a desert island. What will she do if she meets a cannibal and he tries to eat her?"

"Oh, really, now," argued the paragon earnestly, "I'm quite sure there's no danger of that, don't you know? I believe there are no natives at all on the island, or else quite tame ones, I forget which, and there are four of us chaps, with no end of revolvers and

things. Mr. Shaw—sitting opposite Miss Browne, you know—is rather running things, so if you feel nervous you should talk to him. Was with the South Polar expedition and all that—knows no end about this sort of thing—wouldn't for a moment think of letting ladies run the risk of being eaten."

I peeped around Apollo for a glimpse of the experienced Mr. Shaw. I saw a strong-featured, weather-beaten profile, the face of a man somewhere in his thirties, and looking from this side view at least, not only stern but grim.

I made up my mind at once that the backbone of the party, and inevitably the leader in its projected villainies, whatever they might be, was this rugged-looking Mr. Shaw. You couldn't fancy him as the misled follower of anybody, even the terrible Violet.

As it seemed an unpropitious moment for talking counsel with Mr. Shaw about cannibals, I tried another tack with the beautiful youth at my side.

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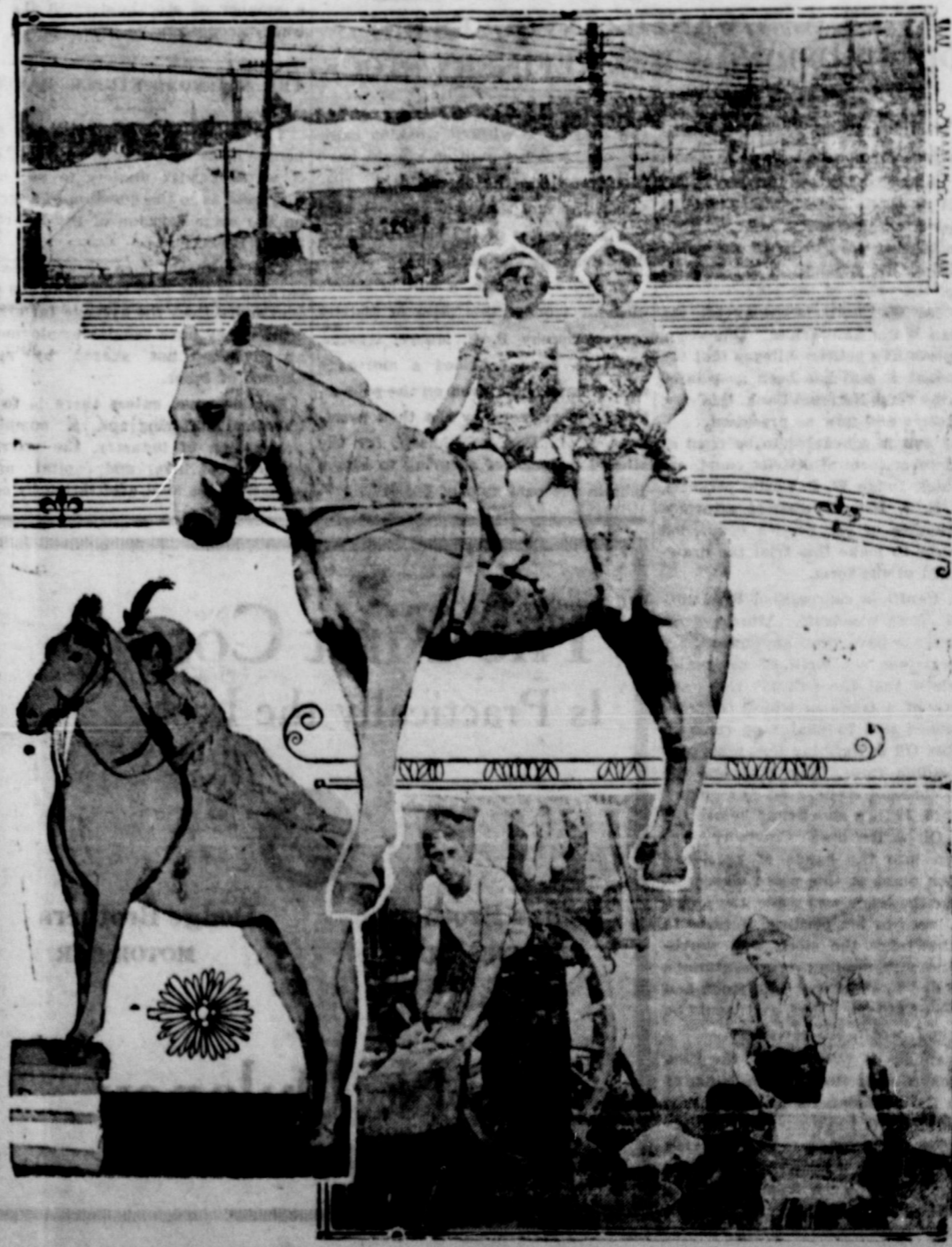
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Dr. A. W. Canfil is owner of the Grogan Wells Sanitarium, this city. The plaintiff's petition alleges that the defendant is and has been associated with the First National Bank, this city, as cashier and now as president.

The suit is scheduled to be tried at the October term of district court, over which Judge W. P. Leslie presides, with E. I. Hill as district attorney. Prominence of the parties concerned promises to make this trial the drawing card of the term.

Dr. Canfil is represented by Attorney T. Vard Woodruff. Attorneys for the defense have been announced.

Allegations set forth by the plaintiff show that the suit is the outgrowth of a trade in which the ring mentioned and 75 shares of stock in the Rex Oil & Refining Company play the leading roles. The ring and the stock changed owners on or about April 15, 1921, a short time before the Rex Oil & Refining Company was thrown into the hands of receivers, and the plant at this place closed.

After the trade was made, the plaintiff alleges in his petition, it came to his knowledge the stock was worthless, notwithstanding representations calculated to show that said stock had a value of \$10 per share, and would be on July 1, worth \$15 per share.

He alleges further that at the time he was a depositor in the bank of which the defendant is president, and depended on the statement to the effect that said stock was of the value represented, but learned at a later date upon his return from California that the refinery was heavily involved

and said to be without working capital, etc., which condition should have been known to the defendant by reason of the fact that said refinery also was a depositor of the bank of which the defendant was president.

In this connection, a suit is scheduled for trial at this term of district court whereby P. C. Moore, trustee, seeks to have canceled a mortgage said to have been given on the property of the refinery by the then president, R. L. Ray, to himself, for the alleged purpose of securing to him a debt in the said sum of \$65,000.00.

It is said that Mr. Moore represents a number of stockholders in the refinery proposition in this action.

#### THE RAILROAD STRIKE BALLOT.

The country is anxious to see full justice done the railroad workers, but it watches with anxiety to see how they vote as to the question of a strike on the wage decision of the Railroad Labor Board.

The railroad men are probably earning at this time from 50 to 100 per cent more than the average farm laborer. They have regular employment, an advantage not shared by most classes of labor.

Furthermore, unless there is to be universal suffering and a complete prostration of industry, the warring elements of labor and capital must submit to peaceful arbitration by con-

stituted authorities. The labor board fixed a scale of wages that many people feel is very liberal to labor, reducing their wages less than the drop in the cost of living.

There will be a widespread feeling that those who decline to accept this award, should have a permanent vacation, or go into some industry where stoppage would not create such suffering. The country will not tolerate having its most vital industry tied up as the refusal of either party to accept fair arbitration.

Denied that some of our statesmen have no political principles, as they entertain the firm conviction that they should hold the offices.

### Jones County Man Who Died Known to Many Local People

W. G. Thomas, who died at Anson a few days ago, was a brother-in-law of A. A. Prince's son of this city, son of W. G. Thomas, and was the first regularly elected county judge of Fisher county to serve a full term. Sam, a brother of the deceased, was killed at Aspermont a few years ago, being postmaster there. His assailant afterwards committed suicide in jail.

Mr. Thomas was county tax assessor of Jones county.

"When the swallows homeward fly" was a favorite old song, but what some people want to sing is when the swallows downward flow.

The ringing of bells is supposed to express the joy of the people but so far none of the kids have showed any such signs of jubilation when the school bell rings.

While the motorists are hurrying away from the cop who is pursuing them for not blowing their horns, they are likely to get arrested for speeding.

Women's ears to be exposed this season. The old ideas of modesty seem altogether dead.

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