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HOUSE VOTES IN FAVOR OF BONUS

Record Vote of 355-54 Registers Overwhelming Victory For Soldier Bonus Legislation

PROVIDES FOR INSURANCE

Bill Different From One Vetted By President Harding—Compensation Less Than \$50 in Cash

By The United Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—The House today passed the Soldier Bonus Bill.

The measure is radically different from the bill that the late President Harding vetoed. Its principal provides 20-year endowment insurance to be issued to all ex-service men except those whose compensation is \$50 or less. These will be entitled to cash.

The vote was 355 to 54, an overwhelming victory for the bonus advocates.

AWAITS VERDICT

Jury Deliberating Case of Aged Mexican Charged With Illegally Operating Still

Marcillino Mendoza, aged Mexican, who was tried Monday on a charge of operating an illicit still in Nolan County and whose case went to the jury at 11 a. m. today, was acquitted late Tuesday afternoon.

An aged and crippled woman, surrounded by several youngsters, awaited the verdict with the stolid expression characteristic of the race.

Lee Walker and Raymond Helm, whose cases were transferred from the district court to the juvenile court on account of being under 17 years of age, were sentenced to five years at the Gatesville Reformatory by Judge A. S. Mauzey. Immediately after imposing the sentence Judge Mauzey decided to parole the boys and returned them to the custody of their parents pending their behavior.

The case of George Sigman, 15, charged with forgery, also was transferred to the juvenile court.

Testimony of witnesses in the case of Ralph Smith, alias H. S. Black, also charged with forgery and attempting to pass forged instruments, was being heard Tuesday afternoon.

TELLS OF KLAN

Dr. W. F. Chase, of Richmond, Va., Speaks At Court House Auditorium Monday Evening

The Rev. Dr. Chase of Richmond, Va., spoke here Monday night on the principles of the Ku Klux Klan.

The principles of the klan, as outlined by the speaker, are these: to promote brotherhood among men, to preserve Protestant Christianity in America, to preserve the Constitution of the United States and its amendments, including the eighteenth, to aid the enforcement of laws in the Nation, to check anarchism, to preserve the public schools, and to save the home life of the nation.

In conclusion Dr. Chase guaranteed a sum of \$1500 to anyone who would prove to him one case in which the klan had violated the law, saying that he would be in the city and accessible for the next few days.

FLIERS PROCEED

Army "Around the World" Journey Renewed From Sacramento Today Enroute to Oregon

By The United Press.

NATHER FIELD, Sacramento, Calif., March 18.—The second day's flight of the army's "around the world" journey started here today at 9:49 a. m.

At that time the three big planes, headed by Frederick L. Martin, commanding the flight, hopped off and after circling the field for altitude, headed north for Eugene, Oregon and then Vancouver.

The fliers expected to encounter no unfavorable weather; all reports being warm and clear skies with light winds.

Denver Powell returned to Childress this morning following a week's visit here with his sister, Mrs. Barrell Carr and family.

He Wore Bells On His Trousers, He Did, For A Fact

Old Sol hesitated Sunday afternoon just on the brink of the western horizon and for the first time in memory of man the sun set spasmodically, as it were.

At the same time one of the worst pedestrian-traffic congestions ever recorded in Sweetwater, occurred on the public square.

Were the astonished inhabitants gazing at the phenomenal capers of Old Sol? They were not.

Was the beaming orb that warms up old mother earth concentrating his penetrating eye on the congested group? Nay, nay, Pauline.

Mrs. man, in the form of a callow youth, with a nonchalance that was positively invigorating and a pair of breeches that were maddening, was the "event leading up to the tragedy."

They fit tight, the breeches did, around the thigh and were constructed of dark material. From the knee up they were not unlike an ordinary pair of limb-coverers, but from the knee DOWN—well, brother, you would have to see 'em, thassal. Ranging south toward the ankles those breeches tapered out, kinder sailor fashion and a high fiery red v-shaped patch with red tassels and—can you believe it—little jingle bells were cutely arranged to sound like Santa Claus approaching.

Valentino Vassilino, in his palmist day, never scored such a complete knockout. The younger set gasped—it was sorter of an eight-months-behind-time gasp—and old timers spat furiously in every direction, rubbed their eyes just to make sure it was a human being and then sat down weakly, kinder spasmodically, like Old Sol did.

And, just to think, they kill men like Lincoln.

MISS HENTHORNE GIVES CONCERT

Discloses Lovely Voice In Interesting Program at Hotel Wright Monday Night

LOCAL PIANISTS ASSIST

Mrs. George Gray and Miss Florence McKissick In Solo With Mrs. John Hubbard, Accompanist

Miss Lucile Henthorne, assisted by Mrs. George Gray and Miss Florence McKissick and with Mrs. John Hubbard as accompanist, appeared in concert at the Hotel Wright Monday night. The audience was not as large as it should have been but it was thoroughly appreciative.

Miss Henthorne has a lovely voice. It is brilliant in timbre, of extended range and of even texture throughout. She sang with an effortless ease that proclaimed long and careful study under capable instructors. Her diction and style were good and adherence to pitch admirable.

Her most ambitious program number was the aria "Caro Nome" from Verdi's Rigoletto. This proved an admirable vehicle in which to display her vocalistic art but she was no less at home in the songs which comprised the balance of her program. She sang a group of Spanish songs in costume, as well as some old songs in Colonial garb. She generously responded to numerous encores.

Mrs. George Gray and Miss Florence McKissick assisted Miss Henthorne with piano numbers. Mrs. Gray essayed the difficult Mendelssohn Concerto in G Minor and provided some very exquisite entertainment. Facile fingerwork furnished the foundation for a reading that was extremely satisfying. She responded to a well deserved encore. Miss McKissick chose the popular "Narcissus," likewise responding to an insistent recall.

The work of Mrs. John Hubbard as accompanist was well nigh flawless. With demands more exacting in many ways than solo work, Mrs. Hubbard provided a pianistic support to Miss Henthorne that was brilliant without being obtrusive and which formed a well rounded ensemble of unusual merit.

Chester Freeman has purchased the Chester Jones Cottage on Cedar Street and has already taken possession. He is adding substantial improvements to his new home.

RICH HAUL MADE IN LIQUOR DEALS

Senate Committee Investigating Attorney General Daugherty Hear New York Man Testify

MANY PAYMENTS MADE

Sums As Large as \$25,000 Taken to Washington To "Keep Things Quiet" Witness Says

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—Delving into transactions concerning withdrawal of liquor, the Senate committee investigating Attorney General Daugherty, today heard from Wm. Orr, of New York, a story of large payments sometimes totalling \$25,000 at a time to Howard Nannington, described as a close friend of Daugherty's. These payments, Orr said, concerned "liquor deals" but that he did not know what became of the money except to "keep things quiet."

Delving into this angle of the inquiry caused announcement to be made that large numbers of new subpoenas had been issued, including in the committee drag net Secretary Mellon and Weeks, Prohibition Commissioner Haynes and several members of Daugherty's staff at the Department of Justice. Amongst them was H. H. Votaw, brother-in-law of the late President Warren G. Harding.

Orr, the witness who told of all the liquor deals, said "various people" gave him money in connection with liquor withdrawals and that he always turned the money over to Nannington. Senator Wheeler asked if the total did not reach \$200,000. Orr said he could not tell whether that figure ever had been reached.

Previously Orr was asked about his connection with the Dempsey-Carpenter fight films. He added little to the committee's information on that point but disclosed that he acted as campaign collector for the Republican party in 1920 and gathered \$10,000 before the 1920 convention which he gave to Will Hays and Col. Boyce Thompson, then chairman of the treasury and the Republican National committee.

MAUZEY RETURNS

Nolan County Commissioners Back From Seven Day's Inspection Trip Over Many Counties

Somewhat weatherbeaten but pleased over benefits derived, Judge A. S. Mauzey and Nolan County Commissioners have returned from a week's trip of road inspection that carried them through seven counties.

Shackelford, Stevens, Palo Pinto, Tarrant, Dallas and Rockwell Counties were visited.

In each of these counties the Nolan County Commissioners consulted the court and engineers, delved into plans, specifications, studied prices and talked roads with every well informed man with whom they came in contact.

During the trip, most of which was made under adverse weather conditions, the party inspected millions of dollars worth of road material—every type of road, with the exception of shell.

"Although seriously hampered by bad weather conditions, we feel that great benefits were gained by touring several counties and digging into every detail of road construction," Judge Mauzey said Monday morning. "After seeing every possible kind of road and consulting with numerous engineers and inspecting various courts' progress, we realize more and more the responsibility facing us in carrying out the Bankhead Highway and other road work in Nolan County. "We learned much on the trip but the two things that most impressed me were the huge cost of hastily constructed roads and the stunted right-of-way used in a majority of instances. We hope to profit by the experience gained."

Judge Mauzey said that the Bankhead Highway was paved through Dallas, Tarrant, Parker and Stevens Counties.

Mrs. O. A. Hill and two children of Lamesa arrived in the city Monday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. C. Holland and family and to meet their sister, Mrs. Hughes of Ranger and little son who arrived Sunday.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY WILL ACT

Indictments Will Be Sought Against Three Principals in Naval Oil Reserve Leases

TAKE UP CASE SOON

Conspiracy Mentioned in Civil Court, Proceedings Will Be Basis of Charges—Await Counsel

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—A Federal Grand Jury will be impaneled within two weeks to consider criminal evidence and conspiracy in oil leasing indictments sought against three persons. Several others may be involved as alleged accomplices.

Grand Jury action is expected to begin shortly after the return from the west of Atlee Pomerene and Owen J. Roberts, special presidential counsel, who have entered civil suit for cancellation of Teapot Dome and California Naval oil reserves to Harry F. Sinclair and E. L. Doheny.

Charges of conspiracy to defraud the government and of bribery set forth in petitions for cancellation will form the foundation of the government's criminal prosecutions.

Placing of the criminal charges need not necessitate awaiting the result of the civil suits it was pointed out here today, as the questions involving the criminal cases will not be affected by the court decision as to the validity or illegality of the leases themselves.

Eminent counsel said today that even if the leases held technically within the law, criminal prosecution could proceed if it could be shown that agreements had been entered into to violate the laws to get the leases.

Admits Killing Wife

By The United Press.

DENVER, Colo., March 18.—Fred Janssen today admitted that he beat his wife to death and placed the body in a trunk which was taken to Ogden, Utah. At first Janssen said he hired a Mexican to commit the murder but later repudiated this story and assumed all blame for the crime.

PLAN TRADE TRIP

Committee Planned to Canvass Business Section Tuesday Afternoon For Representatives

Owing to weather conditions the canvass of the town was postponed Tuesday. The committee urges, however, that each business man be in a position to say how many cars and men he can furnish for the trip, and to begin stocking up on novelties.

Plans for making a thorough canvass of the business section of the town by the committee from the Luncheon Club relative to the coming Trade Trip to be undertaken by Sweetwater merchants were discussed at a committee meeting at the Hotel Wright Monday night.

A. H. Herring, committee chairman, presided and the matter was discussed at considerable length. The entire personnel of the committee agreed to make a canvass of the business section Tuesday afternoon beginning at 2 o'clock and continue until the rounds were made. It was emphasized by the committee however that in the event they failed to call upon any business man, or failed to catch him in his place of business when they did call, that it was up to him to get in touch with any member of the committee or the chairman and sign up to go.

"This is Sweetwater's trade trip and the more representatives and larger the delegation, the more effective it will be and the more benefit to the town and every one in it," was the way the committee summed up the situation.

Sells Farm

Special to The Reporter.

WINTERS, Texas, March 18.—Another good land trade has been made here. Dr. J. W. Dixon sold his farm of 200 acres located 12 miles north of Winters for a consideration of \$15,333. H. D. Patterson made the purchase.

Mrs. C. F. Rogge sent a bundle of magazines to the Public Library Friday.

Police Round Up Motley Crew On Robbery Reports

Forced to temporarily halt their westward migration, twenty "gentlemen of the open road" were compelled to answer pertinent questions compounded by City Attorney A. B. Yantis Tuesday morning.

The motley crowd resembled a mob scene in Ben Hur. They represented all sizes and ages and, with but few exceptions were headed for "L. A.," meaning of course, Los Angeles.

The total cash on hand amounted to exactly 20 cents. In the crowd was an aviator who recently appeared in Sweetwater with the Gates Flying Circus. He, too, was Los Angeles bound.

The round-up resulted from advices from Abilene authorities late Monday stating that several burglaries had been committed there. Local night patrolmen proceed to empty box cars and allowed the gang to plan their charge upon Los Angeles in the city jail.

The "colony" was permitted to continue the westward journey.

Weather

West Texas: Tonight warmer except in the southeast; Wednesday partly cloudy, warmer except in the southwest.

Train Hits Auto

POWELL, Texas, March 18.—W. B. Wright, 35, and Lee Deveraux, negro boy, collided with a Cotton Belt passenger train at a grade crossing today. Wright's automobile was completely demolished and he was carried to a hospital in a critical condition. The negro boy was unscratched.

CLAIM FALL HAD NO AID IN DEAL

Discloses That Neither Harding Nor Daugherty Were Consulted

NO CABINET DISCUSSION

Copyrighted Interview in Baltimore Sun Gives New Angle To Teapot Dome Lease Scandal

By The United Press.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 18.—Col. James E. Barden, "mystery man," brought as a witness by the Senate Teapot Dome committee, today declared in a copyrighted interview published in the Evening Sun that neither the late President Harding nor Attorney General Daugherty had any knowledge of the deal between Harry S. Sinclair and former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall whereby Sinclair obtained government oil leases.

"Fall handled the whole thing himself. He didn't tell anybody about it. He didn't bring it before the cabinet meeting," Barden said.

Barden was mentioned by Roxie Stinson in her testimony before the Daugherty committee as the man who met with Daugherty and Jesse Smith, her former husband, in a shack in the woods near Columbus where they were supposed to be discussing oil deals.

CLAY FOR SCULPTORS

Texas May Soon Supply World's Modeling Material

SAN SABA, Texas, March 18.—Texas may soon supply the clay for some of the most noted sculptors of the world.

Prospectors digging near here recently struck a vein of clay at a depth of 20 feet. The mud was sent to the College of Industrial Arts at Denton and after a test was found to be without a trace of grit and to mold and fire excellently.

A request has been received from the New York studio of Coppini for samples of the clay to test for his work.

New Egg Record

SAN SABA, Texas, March 18.—A flock of Black Leghorn hens owned by G. W. Edmondson and numbering 340 are believed to have set a record here. Several days ago Edmondson collected 339 eggs from one day's work of the hens.

ISLES OF JAPAN ROCKED IN QUAKE

Saghalien Island And Other Outlying Isles Near Center of Disturbance—Many Lives Lost

CENTER NEAR KURILE

Seismic Center of Disturbance Believed Near Island of Kurile And Bottom of Sea

By The United Press.

TOKIO, March 18.—Another earthquake has visited the Japan Islands. This time Kashiku, a small Japanese colony and Saghalien Island have been the center of the quake.

Meager reports said the shocks were felt Saturday night.

Houses were shaken down and there were many casualties.

Great fissures opened in the earth. The seismic center is believed to be in the bottom of the sea near the island of Kurile.

Relief measures were started and aid will be rendered the injured and homeless in Saghalien.

PLAN SEED FARM

Representatives Ferguson Seed Co., of Sherman Looking For West Texas Location

Sam C. Johnston of the Ferguson Seed Farms of Sherman, Texas spent Tuesday in Sweetwater where in company with representatives of the Board of City Development and others interested, he inspected this section with a view to locating a cotton seed growing farm in this vicinity.

Mr. Johnston is making a tour of West Texas for the purpose of selecting suitable location. He said that his company had 52 invitations from as many different locations ranging from San Angelo to Amarillo. Many, if not all of the proposed locations will be looked over by him before a choice is made, he said. About 400 acres of farm land will be required.

The Ferguson Seed Company plans to locate a seed farm in West Texas for the purpose of breeding seed that is acclimated and adapted to the conditions existent in the section. They have bred and handled the Ferguson Lone Star, Ferguson Triumph and New Boykin, all well and favorably known varieties of seed.

Mr. Johnston left Tuesday afternoon. Another week or ten days will be required before a final decision is made, he said. The location, rail facilities and land available near Sweetwater made a favorable impression, however, he said.

ELIMINATE MEN

Sweetwater Delegation to Interscholastic Field Meet At Roscoe Being Selected

The Sweetwater delegation to the coming interscholastic meet at Roscoe is fast taking a definite form. The tennis representation lacks but one member, the boy in singles, who was to have been chosen this evening. In yesterday's preliminaries all but Sam Crutcher, Julian Robertson and Joseph Robinson were eliminated.

The preliminary games ran thus: Joseph Robinson and Sam Morrow, 6-2, 6-1; Sie Edwards and Myron Hubbard, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1; Sam Crutcher and Robert Fitzgerald, 6-3, 6-1; Harold Homer and Eugene Witt, 6-0, 6-2; Julian Robinson and Russell Henry, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

Joseph Robinson and Sie Edwards were the only ones matched further than the primaries. In their contest Joseph Robinson held the court with a 6-3, 6-4, victory.

Poor Cost Money

HOUSTON, Texas, March 18.—Harris County spends \$1125 a day on its eleemosynary institutions, County Judge Bryan recently told a luncheon club here.

This expense is not all for current bills, he explained. It includes the cost of several new buildings.

Claims Seat

AUSTIN, Texas, March 18.—A. W. Cole, congressman-elect from Austin, whose right to a seat is under fire, is in Washington today arguing with a committee his claim to a seat in Congress. He is accompanied by his attorney, J. F. Carl, of San Antonio.

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SHOULD WORK BOTH WAYS

A group of American banks headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., has made a \$100,000,000 loan to France to be used in stabilizing the franc and for such other purposes as the French government may determine. The immediate effect of this loan was to cause the franc to rise some 30 points. The loan is made with the understanding that the bank of France "will continue to envisage and assist the situation" in regard to keeping that government from contracting any more soaring credits at the expense of the French treasury. Such funds as are needed to carry on the future business of that government will have to come from taxation instead of new issues of government bonds. This understanding means that France is at the end of her string so far as further military exploits are concerned. For only by cutting the cost of such imperial undertakings as subsidizing the military strength of other nations and extending her grip upon the Ruhr can the requirements of the American lenders.

At the same time this timely loan is made through arrangements with Mr. Morgan there is a renewal from New York banking circles of suggestions that the United States ought to cancel the obligations it holds against France. F. W. Gehle, vice president of the Mechanics and Metals National Bank of New York, made a speech to the Cleveland chapter of the American Institute of Banking urging "cancellation of the French debt due to America because France fought America's battle before we got into the war." He goes on to say that "France was holding the line until we got our troops over there. We supplied the guns, ammunition and food-stuffs, which France paid for with money borrowed from us. We have a moral obligation to remit these loans. Cancellation is not a popular idea, but every banker knows France cannot pay. France will never repudiate her currency, although there is danger she may be forced to repudiate bonds. She owes 100,000,000,000 gold francs, equivalent of 100,000,000,000 gold dollars. Repudiation will fall heaviest upon the thrifty French peasant, who has bought his country's securities."

It is a riddle to American taxpayers why New York bankers will travel all over the country urging the government and its taxpayers to do a thing that they have made no motion to practice themselves. Mr. Morgan's syndicate makes no gesture toward forgiving any of the billions of claims it holds against the resources of France. The latest loan of a hundred million is fully secured by gold held in the band of France. After a year the loan is payable upon demand, and in gold. There is no hint here that Mr. Morgan's associates will ever say, as they would have taxpayers say: "France, you fought America's battle

before we got into the war. You do not owe us a cent. We have a moral obligation to remit your loans."

One excellent way to prevent what some people always refer to as "the inevitable next war" would be to make everybody pay the cost of the last one. If this is done mankind will be so busy paying for the next century or more that it will have neither time nor resources for further fighting. This medicine would seem to be especially beneficial in the case of France which since armistice day has piled up more new debts for military uses and adventures than it owed when the war ended. If because of this blunder and extravagance that nation may now be forced to repudiate its bonds, let the burden of it fall upon private as well as public lenders; upon any lender's syndicate that derived a profit from financing the needs of France as well as upon the people of a republic who offered their billions only to serve humanity.

Brevities

Correct this sentence: "That's all right," smiled the banker, "we'll be glad to renew it for you."

In the old days a doctor's diagnosis didn't consist in reaching for a hypodermic needle.

The way to make an ideal husband is to begin spanking him for selfishness at the age of three.

The wolf seldom hangs around the door unless he observes the stork hanging about the chimney.

The pioneers had their little troubles, but they never tried to get a clinker out of the furnace.

There seems to be a social rule that a woman isn't entitled to a miniature dog until she has three double chins.

About the only essential difference is that the rich man can continue to use last year's car without feeling common.

INSPECTS SCHOOL

Miss Sterrett, State Inspector, Notes Improvement
Inspector of public schools, was in Sweetwater yesterday on a tour of inspection. She visited the high school in the morning and went to Merkel in the afternoon.

Miss Sterrett also inspected the schools here last year, and a few remarks overheard from her conversation show progress in the local high, especially in the science and Latin departments. She expressed satisfaction with other classes inspected as well. However, her official report will not be available for some ten days yet.

FORM BOARD

Strict Conservation Navy Oil to Result From Investigation

By The United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—A Naval Board of five officials today was detailed to formulate plans for administering the naval oil reserve as a result of the cancellation suit just started.

"Strictest conservation of the navy oil" is to be the basis of the new action, Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt announced.

A. A. Prince has returned from a five months visit in Dallas and Weatherford.

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OLDTIMER TELLS OF EARLY DAYS

Member T-P Surveying Crew Went Through Sweetwater When It Wasn't—Antelopes Killed

GUNPLAY NOT UNFREQUENT

Shooting Scrapes in Saloons Recalled—Franks Played By Cowpunchers Enlivened Inhabitants

Calling to mind the days of yore, when the Indians were often on the war path, when saloons were more popular than the grocery store, when the cowboys were the picturesque representatives of this country, and when Sweetwater was in its infancy, J. H. Bennett, one of the city's oldest oldtimers, gave an interview to The Reporter.

His yarn as he told it was this: "My experience in West Texas began in 1880 when I joined a surveying crew, at Buffalo Gap. This crew was to run a preliminary line for the T. & P. Ry., out from Big Spring. Enroute to Big Spring we passed through what is now Sweetwater. There was then a general store on Sweetwater Creek, and a few ranch houses scattered over the country, the only sign of a city this side of Abilene. We camped where the Planter's Gin now stands, and that evening two of our crew killed three antelopes near what is now Lovers' Peak.

"We journeyed on to Big Spring, and after various and sundry experiences with thirst and Indians, I returned to Fort Worth.

"The next year, '81, I returned to Sweetwater to bar-keep for A. W. Gilstrap's saloon. The T. & P. Ry., had reached the city in the autumn of 1880, and at that time the country had been organized. There was some thirty homes, two saloons, and the general store in Sweetwater at that time.

An idea of the city reputation may be had from this fact: In '83 a half drunk cowboy got on the west bound train at Abilene, gave the conductor a five-dollar bill, and when asked concerning his destiny, replied, 'I want to go to H—. What business is it to you, anyway?'

"Well," returned the conductor, "here's your change. I'll put you off at Sweetwater." And sure enough that was where he got off.

"The cow-hands from nearby ranches spent some time in Sweetwater, and drank and gambled like millionaires. Probably the biggest shooting scrape was in '82. A saloon stood where the Cooper's Men's Store now stands, and one day a fellow by the name of Gilstrap and some ten friends went there for the expressed purpose of whipping its bar-tender, Gilliott. Soon the shooting began, Gilliott and another man, Schifflett, were killed. Others were wounded and H— was to pay.

"There were other shooting affairs but none of such a wholesale nature.

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FORM LUNCHEON CLUB

Sweetwater Men Aid Roscoe Business Men in Organization

The Roscoe Luncheon Club was organized at a meeting held there Tuesday, which was attended by Porter Whaley, secretary West Texas Chamber of Commerce, Rufus Wright, James Henry Beall Jr., and J. A. McCurly of Sweetwater.

The ladies of the Methodist Church served the dinner.

The Sweetwater men extended an invitation to the members of the Roscoe Luncheon Club and their ladies to attend the next regular meeting of the Sweetwater Club.

D. C. Durham, publisher of the Merkel Mail and his son also attended, following the organization of a Luncheon Club in Merkel Monday night.

Mrs. Louis Price on First Street, has been enjoying a visit from her father, W. S. Ellington of Paris, for several days past.

Misses Wilma Shivers and Thelma Sikes, both teachers in the local schools, have returned from Dallas, having spent the week-end in that city.

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High School P.T. to Meet

The Parent-Teacher Association will meet Wednesday afternoon, at 3:15 o'clock at the high school building and invite all who are interested in the welfare of the schools to attend the meeting.

P.T. Program For Thursday

The East Ward Parent-Teacher Association will meet at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the school building. The program is arranged as follows: Influence of music through the phonographs—Mrs. John Hubbard. Song—Miss Wilma Shivers. Miss Shi Beck's pupils will give the remainder of the afternoon's entertainment. Every East Ward mother is given an urgent invitation to be present.

Manse Wood Jr., left Saturday to join his parents at Dallas, where they had recently moved and left him here in school. He will enter school at Dallas after a few weeks rest.

Mrs. H. E. Phelps left Monday on the Sunshine Special for Portland, Ore., to join her husband, to make that their home in the future. She will visit at Los Angeles, Cal., en route.

Mrs. Floyd Bowen returned to her home at Lubbock Sunday, taking her mother, Mrs. J. P. Majors home with her for a week's visit.

Little Miss Jimmie Coughran of Colorado spent the week-end here with her aunt, Miss Lillian Majors.

Misses Callie Altizer and Thero Skinner, Draughon's Business College students, were week-end visitors of their parents, on Walnut Street.

Miss Nannie Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bynum of Colorado visited their sister, Mrs. J. O. Aiken and family, on Walnut Street.

Mrs. Joe Boothe is convalescing from a recent serious illness.

Mrs. C. P. Swim and children left Sunday for Abilene to spend some time at the home of her mother, Mrs. Harris. Mrs. Swim expects to undergo an operation in one of the Abilene hospitals the latter part of this week.

Mrs. C. S. Perkins Jr., will be hostess Wednesday at a meeting of the Bridge Club, at the home of Mrs. Ed Mays.

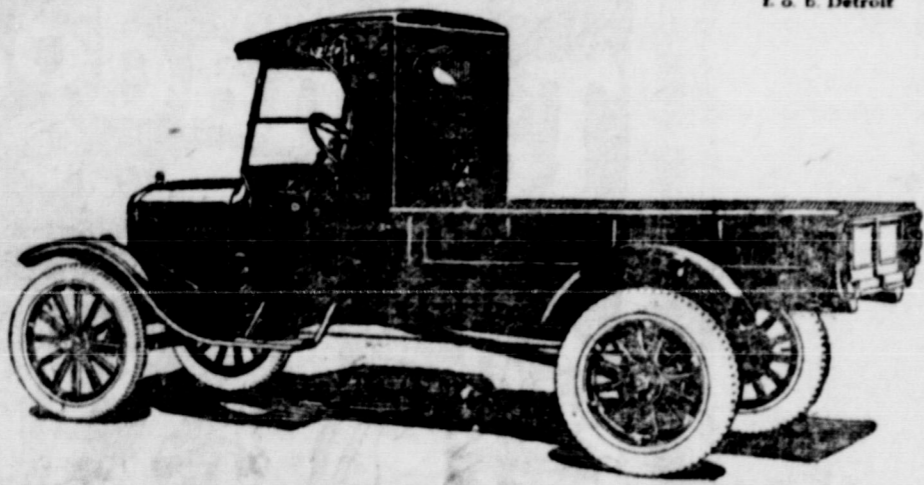
Miss Louise Baldwin returned Sunday night from a ten day's visit at Fort Worth and Dallas with friends and relatives.

Miss Velma Kinsey returned Sunday to Wingate after visiting Miss Laura Robinson here for several days.



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WANTED—Waitress. Hotel Wright Coffee Shop. 33tfc

FOR SALE—Small acreage close to town. Suitable for chicken farm. See McCall & Gordon. 35tfc

FOR SALE—Harley Davidson motorcycle priced worth the money. C. S. Boyles Motor Company. 37t6dc

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Truitt and baby daughter of Brownwood reached the city Saturday on a week-end visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kendrick.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Business house formerly owned by L. H. Chatfield. Living apartment upstairs, modern conveniences. \$70 per month by year, or will sell for \$6,500.00, easy terms. H. D. Simpson, Merkel, Tex. 40t3dp.

Have your car painted with Valentine's water proof paints. V. Carthen's paint Shop. 211 N. W. 2nd St. 38t3dp

CHARGE UNFAIR

Dallas Fair Authorities In Argument With Unions

Dallas, Texas, March 8.—Charges that the Texas State Fair has been "unfair" to union labor have been made by the Dallas Labor Council.

According to John W. Boyd, president, the local labor council has placed the Texas State Fair on the "unfair" list. Musicians, stage employees and motion picture operators have been refused contracts for the fair this fall.

Managers of the fair have countered by arranging to have the U. S. Marine bands to furnish music for the fall festival. Protest against employment of the marines was forwarded to Texas Congressmen and the Secretary of the Navy at Washington.

GETS TRUNK

Sailor Had To Wait Four Years To Recover Trunk

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, March 18.—Four years ago a sailor left a ship at Marseilles, forgetting to take his trunk and \$50 wages due him. He applied through the American consul at the port for return of his effects and they arrived last week in Port Arthur.

In recovering his belongings, the sailor corresponded with nearly every department of the government and the matter was finally straightened out between the American consul and the customs collector at Port Arthur.

Build Jail

ORANGE, Texas, March 18.—Orange County is to have one of the most modern jail buildings in the south. The structure, three stories in height and break-proof throughout, is now in course of construction and should be finished by June 1.

The building will be steamheated and the cells will be constructed of saw-proof steel. A large basement will be the home of Jailer Carey

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Political Announcements

The following announce their candidacy for the various offices named below, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For Tax Collector:
JIM BUTLER
MISS WILLIE ELLIOTT Re-election.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR
H. P. HARKINS re-election
Ben F. Roberts.

For Public Weigher
LLOYD ROGERS, re-election

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
A. S. Mauzey re-election

FOR COMMISSIONER-Precinct 1
W. H. Thompson, re-election.
A. J. Roy.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
G. W. Koerth

FOR COMMISSIONER, Precinct 3
G. O. McGinley, Hyton.
FOR SHERIFF
Jack Yarbrough re-election.
Jesse Lambert.

COUNTY CLERK
Gus Farrar, re-election.

SUPERINTENDENT
Public Instruction.
Miss Minnie Fowler, re-election.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY
R. D. Cox, Jr., re-election.

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE,
Precinct 1
I. W. Brashear, re-election.

For District Clerk
DAN CHILDRESS, Re-Election

For County Treasurer
W. T. HIGHTOWER, Re-Election
G. C. Farris.

FOR STATE SENATE
Harry Tom King, Abilene, Texas.
Jesse R Smith
(Stephens County)

Woods and his family. Eighty prisoners will be the capacity of the jail.

Die in Flames

BRECKENRIDGE, Tex., March 18.—Two men are dead here from burns Luther Lingle, 32, was fatally injured when gas at a carbon black plant here exploded. A. R. McClintock, 20, manager of the telephone office at Throckmorton, injured when the office was destroyed by fire, died in a hospital here.

BUY IT IN SWEETWATER



Artificial or commercial fertilizers are especially valuable for quick results because, for the most part, they are readily soluble and the plant food they contain in made quickly available. Fertilizers which dissolve readily, while they give quickest results, are most temporary in effect because they leach out of the soil, potash fertilizers being an exception. This fertilizer does not leach out as quickly as nitrates.

Barnyard manure, bone meal and wood ashes, the last named being valued for its potash, are good for a season or more. Bone meal is one of the most valuable commercial fertilizers because of its lasting quality and because a portion of it will give quickly available plant food as well.

Artificial fertilizers have the advantage over the stable manure in that the elements of plant food are balanced according to the proportions needed by the plant. They are also less bulky and cleaner to handle. These fertilizers are now usually sold

quently. In this case a dressing of lime is needed.

The usual proportion to distribute is about five pounds of the balanced or complete commercial fertilizers to 100 square feet of soil. In the flower garden, in applying one meal or other fertilizers, a scant handful to a clump is the usual rule.

Nitrate of soda, one of the quickest and most effective of fertilizers particularly for leaf growth, should never be scattered close to the plant. A light dressing a few inches away from the stem and then watered in is the best system. It is a very valuable liquid manure used a handful to a gallon of water or a heaping tablespoonful to a gallon.

The motto in applying commercial fertilizers is lightly and often. If too liberal a quantity is used, much of it is wasted. The plant can use only a certain proportion of it and if overfed with nitrogenous fertilizers too rank and soft growth may be induced.

BRAZOS, Texas, March 18.—T. E. Sarrett, 300 pound farmer of this section, is understood to have the best "understanding" of any man in Texas.

Sarrett modestly claims his feet are the biggest in the State.

He avers at the same time that his shoes, made to order, cost him \$45 a pair at a Fort Worth shop.

The big farmer's feet measure

19 1-2 inches from heel to toe. His instep is 14 3-4 inches and his ankle 12 5-8 inches.

FORT WORTH, Texas, March 18.—Hot Springs, Ark., will "take the air" tonight and broadcast through station WBAP of Fort Worth, a special radio concert. The broadcasting will be a demonstration of "remote control" in radio.

Four orchestras, a band, a chorus of jubilee singers, a quintet and other musicians will perform in Hot Springs from 9:30 to 11:15 p. m., while in Fort Worth, 350 miles distant, station WBAP will broadcast the concert over the nation.

The program will be delivered to WBAP through special wires of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

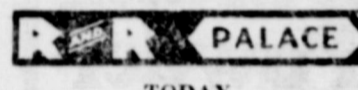
Mrs. George Besty, of Roswell, New Mexico, is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Ed Sinnott, following a visit with her parents in San Angelo.

GALVESTON, Texas, March 18.—The annual bathing girl revue is practically assured.

It remains for the Galveston Chamber of Commerce to raise \$1,000, the other \$4,000 having been pledged by the Retail Merchants' Association.

The parade will be held May 10-13 or 17-19.

G. M. Sublett, accompanied by his son, Jack, left this morning for Dallas, where he expects to place Jack under the care of a specialist at the Masonic Sanitarium. Jack had a long siege of fever about a year ago which settled in his hip joint and he has been able to walk only with difficulty since.



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