

HERRERA REPORT UNTRUE, HAS NOT JOINED VILLA; AMERICAN TROOPS HAVE NOT HAD BATTLE

REPORTS OF REVOLT ARE HELD FALSE

AMERICAN CONSUL LETCHER AT CHIHUAHUA FINDS HERRERA AND HIS TROOPS LOYAL TO GENERAL CARRANZA

REMOVES MENAGE

Report at First Apparently Confirmed and Was Considered as Adding Much to Dangers of Situation in Mexico

By Associated Press. Washington, March 24.—American Consul Letcher at Chihuahua today reported there was no truth in the reported revolt of General Herrera and the Carranza garrisons at Chihuahua.

Although General Funston and General Bell, on the border, have received reports confirming the story of the revolt, which they believe to be true, the dispatch from Consul Letcher, who is on the ground and has headquarters at the place where the revolt is said to have occurred, is taken by officials here as confirming the statements of Carranza officials that no such revolt has occurred.

General Herrera in a telegram to General Gaviro strongly denied all reports that he has gone over to Villa. General Gutierrez, governor of Chihuahua, in a letter to Gaviro, also strongly denied that Herrera has gone over to Villa.

ITALIAN POET-AVIATOR IS GIVEN SILVER MEDAL

By Associated Press. Rome, March 24.—Gabriele D'Annunzio, the poet, whose right eye was injured recently in an aeroplane accident, has been decorated with a silver medal in recognition of his services as military aeroplane observer.

NEW GERMAN LOAN OF \$2,650,000,000

Fourth War Series Meets With Much Success According to Secretary of Treasury

By Associated Press. Berlin, March 24.—Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury, told the Reichstag today that the fourth German loan had been a brilliant success, the subscription having reached more than 10,000,000,000 marks.

MAY NAT ALLOW CYCLONE DAVIS' TALK IN RECORD

By Associated Press. Washington, March 24.—Speaker Clark at the direction of the House today named a committee of five to investigate and report on expunging from the Congressional Record, a speech on Texas politics inserted under "leave to print" privilege by Representative Davis.

U.S. FORCES NOW ENTERING MOUNTAINS OF CHIHUAHUA

Today's advices tend to disprove the report that General Herrera, Carranza commandant at Chihuahua, had gone over to Villa with 2,000 troops.

The rumor that American troops had fought an engagement with Villistas is also denied.

American soldiers south of Casas Grandes are now in the foothills of Chihuahua. Dust storms and climate conditions have hampered their progress.

Another report that Villa has been "definitely located" was received today.

The cabinet discussed calling out state troops for border duty, but it was stated that this will not be done at present.

Senator Lewis, democrat, charged that Villa has received aid from Americans and from foreigners.

"CLOSING IN ON VILLA" IS CARRANZA REPORT TODAY

Douglas, Ariz., March 24.—General P. Elias Calles, military governor of Sonora, received a telegram from General Enriquez, military governor of Chihuahua, stating that the columns of Carranza troops were closing in on Villa and his bandits near Namaquipa and that with the aid of the Americans it was believed that Villa would not be able to escape.

EXPEDITION NOW ENTERING HILLS; ABANDON TRUCKS

ARMY MULES ONLY MEANS OF TRANSPORT SERVICE IN MOUNTAINS OF CHIHUAHUA—MANY DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED.

TELL OF HARDSHIPS

Sun and Dust and Cactus Make March of Many Discomforts—Have Not Clashed With Any Mexicans Yet.

By Associated Press. Columbus, N. M., March 24.—(Censored) The American campaign to capture Francisco Villa has reached the point in the foothills of Chihuahua where it has been found necessary to dispense with heavy motor trucks as transport facilities and to depend entirely upon the army mules.

It is known that the trucks have encountered many difficulties in the sandy region through which the troops have passed. Motor trucks probably will be used however, for transport purposes between Columbus and the advance base at Casas Grandes.

The American advance into Chihuahua is proving a hard grueling march in which both animals and men are enduring great hardships, although at many turns presenting spectacular military feats, according to reports brought here today by J. C. Marlowe of Douglas, the first of the American citizens who started eight days ago with the expeditionary force to reach the border stating that the army is realizing its utter dependency upon knowledge of the country shown by the civilian scouts.

Arriving on a motor truck train after a 20-mile ride over a dusty road from near Casas Grandes, Marlowe was a physical example of the difficulties of the march. His face was gaunt, burned and blistered by the excessive glare of the desert sun, and his growth of beard was caked with alkali dust, his clothing marked by many encounters with cactus and mesquite.

CABINET TALKS OF CALLING OUT STATE MILITIA

NOT LIKELY THAN ANY SUCH ACTION WILL BE TAKEN NOW, ITS EFFECT ON CONDITIONS IN MEXICO FEARED

CHARGE OF TREASON

Senator Lewis Says Americans Who Have Aided Villa Are Guilty—Discussion of Situation is Soon Stopped in Senate

By Associated Press. Washington, March 24.—The question of calling the National Guard for border duty to release regulars for service in Mexico was discussed at today's cabinet meeting, but it was decided there was no prospect of such action at this time.

The cabinet was told that there was sentiment in Congress to protest the constantly lengthening line of communication—the American punitive expedition by sending more regulars into Mexico and placing guardsmen along the border. Major General Funston, however, had not asked for additional troops, it was said today, and war department officials did not believe any mobilization of state troops was necessary.

After the cabinet meeting officials showed they feared a mobilization of guardsmen would have a disquieting effect in Mexico. They expressed confidence that American troops in Mexico were in no danger. Should large bodies of Carranza troops go over to effect here, said the question of calling out the guard will be considered.

Senator Lewis, democrat, declared in a resolution introduced today that American authorities had knowledge of a recent radio message from General Pershing.

VILLA QUITE AT HOME IN BABIACORA DISTRICT, TO WHICH FLIGHT TOOK HIM



ROUTE OF VILLA'S FLIGHT—AMERICAN ARTILLERY FIRING IN MEXICAN MOUNTAINS

In view of the fact that Francisco Villa, fleeing with his outlaw followers before the advance of the American expeditionary forces in Mexico, reached his own country in the Guerrero district, high officials of the army said in Washington that he might almost indefinitely evade capture there. If the bandit chieftain makes a stand in Washington is satisfied that the campaign will quickly end. But if he leaves his followers, military authorities agree, he can reach a haven of safety in the near-

by mountains in less than a day of riding. In the Guerrero district and in the country adjacent to Babiacora, Villa is at home. For years he operated there in defiance of the laws of Mexico and his constituted authorities. The mountainous terrain, of ferocious hiding places and routes of escape, if hard pressed, Villa might abandon his men, but the guerrilla has been so far into the south that it would be exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to apprehend him. To meet just this situa-

PRISONER KILLS TEXAS SHERIFF

BEAUMONT OFFICER SHOT IN OKLAHOMA BY MAN HE WAS BRINGING BACK.

BRIDE WITH SLAYER

Couple Forces Way From Train and Poses Are Searching For Them Today.

By Associated Press. Muskogee, Okla., March 24.—No report has been received from the three posse which started today from Checotah, Okla., in pursuit of Paul V. Hadley and his bride.

The pair forced the conductor of the train on which the shooting occurred to abandon them to fight his way through the passengers after Giles had been shot.

Rebels that Hadley had been surrounded and killed by a posse and that his companion had been captured were received, but could not be confirmed. A fourth posse left Checotah early today on a report from a farm house near Dentonville, in Muskogee county, that an armed woman and man companion had been sighted in a nearby field. They were believed to be Hadley and his girl-wife. As Hadley left the train it was said today he showed the train auditor aside with a pistol and the auditor then hurriedly reported the incident to the sheriff. Passengers in the meantime carried from the coach the body of Sheriff Giles. They said a woman shot him. Giles died without making a statement.

GIRL ACQUITTED OF SLAYING MAN

SENSATIONAL TRIAL AT QUANAH COMES TO CLOSE WITH VERDICT TODAY

OTHERS TO BE TRIED

Father and Brother of Defendant Face Similar Charge in Connection With Killing

Special to The Times. Quanah, Tex., March 24.—Winnie Morris today was found not guilty of murder of Garland Radford after the jury had deliberated nine hours.

Since the trial started last Monday the court room has been filled to overflowing by morbid curious sightseers, and Judge Nabors excluded from the court room persons under 18 years of age.

Miss Morris, who is 21 years old, retained her composure at the beginning of the trial but the strain began to tell on her from day to day. Several times during her dramatic recital on the stand of her relations with Radford, Miss Morris fainted and slid from the witness chair.

FIGHTERS AWAIT SATURDAY NIGHT

BOTH MORAN AND WILLARD WORK LIGHT TODAY TRAINING FOR BOUT

BIG CROWD CERTAIN

Estimated That Gate Receipts Will Exceed \$150,000—Willard in Good Condition

Special to The Times. New York, March 24.—Light work was indulged in today by both Jess Willard and Frank Moran, who meet tomorrow night in a ten round bout that may decide the world's heavyweight championship.

It is estimated that the gate receipts for tomorrow night will be well in excess of \$150,000 and a crowd limited only by the capacity of Madison Square Garden will attend.

Miss Willard, the massive Kansas cowboy, who is the heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, is a firm believer in the never disputed fact that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points. In Willard's repertoire of punches, there are no swings and trick blows, he hits straight from the shoulder and hits hard. Jess Willard never took a boxing lesson in his life. At fistuffs, he is not what is known as a parlor boxer. Instinctively his jab is a fighter's jab. A few years back, Jess Willard stood in the corral of a Kansas ranch striking the neck of an unruly bronco. The cowboys were talking about

RUSSIANS MAKE NEW ATTEMPTS ON NORTH FRONT

WAR INTEREST SHIFTS FROM VERDUN TO DVINSK REGION—CLAIMS BY BERLIN AND PETROGRAD ARE CONFLICTING

LULL ABOUT VERDUN

French Use Artillery Busily, However, to Keep Germans From Advancing Any Nearer to Railroad That Runs Into Paris.

The Associated Press summarizes the European war situation as follows:

A lull in the infantry fighting in the Verdun region of France continues, the artillery however, keeping up its active work. The French guns have been energetically manning the German positions in the Malancourt wood, on the edge of the Argonne, northwest of Verdun. The intention apparently is to break up an anticipated attempt of the Germans to dislodge from this cover and make further efforts to advance southward toward the main line of the Paris-Verdun railway, some four and a half miles distant.

East of the Meuse the German bombardment appears to have diminished in intensity, intermittent firing being recorded in the vicinity of Lunenburg and Dambloup and in the Woivre region.

Although the Verdun battle holds the center of attention, scarcely less interest is being aroused by the determined attacks of the Russians on the German northern front in the East. Berlin admits no permanent successes for the Russian troops, but the Petrograd statements continue to claim advantages gained at various points northwest of Pinsk—the Jacobstadt region and near Lake Maroez to the south.

Berlin dispatches declare that German losses have been surprisingly small, under the terrific bombardment by the Russians, while the attacking forces have been mowed down by masses. Confidence is expressed in the German capital on the outcome of the fighting, reliance being placed upon Field Marshal Von Hindenburg to take care of the situation.

Berlin claims today another slight advance in the region west of Hanover, northwest of Verdun, where the Teutonic pressure on the salient between Malancourt and Bethincourt. Two additional trenches there were occupied. On the eastern front today's Berlin statements report a continuation of the determined Russian attacks, but declares them all broken down with heavy losses.

Sinking of two additional neutral vessels by submarines, respectively the last craft being a Norwegian steamer and a Danish bark.

DISARMAMENT IS NOT FAVORED BY ENTENTE ALLIES

By Associated Press. Washington, March 24.—The entente allies, replying individually to Secretary Lansing's suggestion for the disarmament of Germany, all have in effect declined the proposals.

LYNCHING TALK AT CLARKSVILLE TODAY

Posse and Officers Searching for Negro Who Attacked Farmer and His Wife.

By Associated Press. Clarksville, Tex., March 24.—Threats of lynching were heard today if a negro who last night attacked and beat with a club Austin Bishop and his wife in their home, 22 miles south of here is caught. Officers and posse are in pursuit of the negro and word was received shortly before noon that it was believed he was surrounded.

Both Bishop and his wife are in a serious condition, but it is expected they will recover. Bishop is manager of the Catham, Owen & Bishop Store at Hartsville.

MAY HAVE TO SPEND ANOTHER YEAR IN SOUTH

By Associated Press. London, Mar. 24.—A dispatch from Sydney says the steamship Aurora of the Shackleton expedition has broken from her moorings at the Ross sea base, leaving most of the party ashore and unable to embark. According to these advices, Lieut. Shackleton and his companions will be compelled to remain another year before it will be possible to rescue them.

By Associated Press. Sydney, Australia, March 24.—Lieut. Sir Ernest Shackleton has returned from his Antarctic expedition. News of his companions will be compelled to remain another year before it will be possible to rescue them.

NOTED ST. LOUIS SURGEON VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE

By Associated Press. St. Louis, March 24.—Dr. Frank J. Lutz, noted as a surgeon, died of heart disease at his home here today. He was 60 years old.

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IMPRESSIVE RITES

500 Are in Attendance—Walter Acker of Fort Worth is Orator for Occasion

Wichita Falls Masons, their wives and friends, yesterday turned out 500 strong to participate in the laying of the cornerstone of the new \$225,000 Masonic Temple, Tenth Street and Second Avenue. The impressive ceremonies were carried out under the direction of P. B. Cox, Most Worshipful Master of the local lodge, who served as orator of the day, wishing the trowel that set in place the stone. He was assisted by the following officers: M. H. Mashburn, of Burkhardt block, Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; M. R. R. Grunack, Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden; J. E. Lindberg, Right Worshipful Grand Light Warden; F. C. Wright, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; S. A. Grogan, Grand Marshal; J. W. Walkup, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary; J. H. Taylor, Grand Auditor; Captain R. G. Ross, Grand Chaplain.

Every Mason wore the Masonic apron. More than 100 visiting Masons attended from Wilbarger, Clay and Acker lodges.

Temple as Escort.

The procession formed at their present quarters, over the old First National Bank building and marched to the site of the new building. Sixty members of Wichita Falls Knights Templar Commandery, in full dress parade attire, formed an escort. Arriving at the new temple site they divided into two lines, their spears forming a path to the ceremonial platform through which passed the grand officers.

In calling for the cornerstone deposit, Mr. Cox said: "It has ever been the custom of the craft, on occasions like the present, to deposit in the cavity of the stone placed at the northeast corner of the building certain memorials of the present, in which it was erected, so that if, in the lapse of ages, the fury of the elements, the violence of man or the slow but certain ravages of time should lay bare its foundation, an enduring evidence may be found by succeeding generations to bear testimony to the untiring industry of Free and Accepted Masonry. The deposit was then placed in the cavity of the stone, which was pronounced sound and true by the craftsmen.

The Cornerstone contained copies of the daily newspapers of the city, the by-laws and constitution of the lodge, coins, corn and other articles.

Grand orator Walter Acker, superintendent of the Masonic Home at Fort Worth, as speaker of the day, told of the high standing of the order of which he is a part and praised the fraternal spirit evinced by local and visiting Masons in turning out for the ceremonial in such large numbers. He interspersed his talk with poetic quotations among them being "The Friend of Man."

Mrs. Clifford Sponsor.

Grand Architect Taylor then proclaimed Mrs. N. M. Clifford sponsor for the new home and presented her with the trowel which assisted in laying the stone. The ceremonial was formally closed with the benediction, pronounced by Grand Chaplain Kolb.

The ceremonies were interspersed with vocal selections by Mrs. Clifford and Ivan Murchison.

The Temple project was started about a year ago and the first spadeful of earth was turned on the site some weeks ago. It is hoped to have the structure completed and ready for dedication by August 15. The new temple will be a three-story building constructed of brick and slate with terra cotta trimming and tile floors. When completed it will rank with the most elaborate buildings in the city.

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MANY CONVENIENCES

Needs of Future Are Anticipated. In dictations Now Are That Work Will Begin on Building Not Later Than June 1

With the adoption Thursday by the commission's court of the plans for Wichita county's new \$225,000 court house, another formality preliminary to the starting of work on the structure was completed. The commissioners will meet again next week to adopt the specifications and complete draft of the plans, and a date will probably be set at that time for the receiving of bids. It will be about May 1 before the bids can be opened and that June 1 will probably see work actually under way upon the structure.

As adopted the plans provide for the building of a substantial structure in the State, and the completed edifice will be one in which every Wichitan can take the heartiest pride. The building is planned according to the architectural of what is known as the Italian renaissance period. It will be gray in color, with a red tiled roof, and the remaining area of gray terra cotta. There is a colonnade extending along the entire south front, with gray Ionic columns.

Surrounding the main entrance will be four caryatids or figures, representing, respectively charity, mercy, executive justice and legislative justice.

A stairway of marble, about 50 feet wide, leads from the ground level to the main entrance, which opens into the entire length of the building. To the right as one passes in the main entrance, is the county clerk's office, occupying the entire southeastern quarter of the building; a winding stairway will connect this office with the vault in the basement. Beyond the main entrance on the right will be the offices of the county superintendent, county attorney, county treasurer and sheriff. To the left as one enters will be the court judge's office and the county court room. The northwest quarter of the first floor will be occupied by the offices of the assessor and collector, with a big vault beneath.

Directly facing the main entrance underneath the stairway will be a women's rest room.

Room for Public Meetings.

In the basement are offices and court rooms for two justices of the peace and the constable's office. The larger of the justice offices, on the south side of the building, will have a direct outside entrance, and will have a seating capacity of 350 making it suitable for public meetings. Underneath the county clerk's office will be the abstractors room, in the vault. Other offices in the basement will be the offices of the juvenile officer and the county surveyor. A large tiled room is also provided on this floor.

Wide, ample stairways in the center of the north side of the building lead from one story to the next with an art glass dome above.

On the second floor will be the two district courts, offices for the court stenographers and district judges, the district attorney and the district clerk, with numerous other features. The arrangement of the court rooms is very convenient, each having a southern exposure. The arrangement of the two court rooms is similar, each having a gallery, giving a total seating capacity of at least 550. Between the two court rooms

is the office of the district clerk. As one comes up the steps from the first floor, the district clerk's office is directly in front, while on each side are the entrances to the court rooms. On the north side of the building, opening into the hall are the offices of the district attorney and the library room.

Arrangement For Juries.

The jury boxes are on the north side of each court room with a door leading directly from the box into a waiting room, where the jurors may be taken for brief periods when attorneys wish to argue some point at law. From this waiting room the jurors may proceed up the steps to their quarters on the third floor; they have no means of egress from their sleeping quarters save through the jury box and court room.

The court rooms themselves are arranged so as to give the best possible acoustic effect, hair absorbing felt is used in the construction and the corners are rounded so as to enable sound to carry to the best possible advantage.

Opening into the court rooms from the north side are waiting rooms for witnesses. On the corners opposite the jury boxes are consultation rooms for attorneys, while the offices of the court stenographers open into the court room near the jury boxes. One must pass through the stenographers' office to reach the offices of the district judges on the corners.

Above each court room on the third floor is the jury room, 17x69 feet, with individual beds, baths, toilets, showers and other conveniences. These dormitories are on a level with the court room balconies.

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Be Strong!
We are not here to play—to dream, to drift.
We have hard work to do and jobs to lift.
Shun not the struggle—face it, 'tis God's gift.

Be Strong!
Say not "days are evil. Who's to blame?"
And fold the hands and acquiesce—O shame!
Stand up—speak out and bravely, in God's name.

Be Strong!
It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long,
Faith not—fight on! Tomorrow comes the song!
—Matthie Davenport Babcock.

TRAVEL CLUB HOLDS INTERESTING SESSION

The lesson hour of the Travel Club meeting, Thursday morning with Mrs. Wiley Blair was of exceptional interest and of much instructive value, dealing as it did with the Isles of Wight and Man of the English coast. Mrs. Urban discussed the Isle of Wight and Mrs. Von der Lippe had a splendid paper on the Isle of Man. The members present were: Mesdames Dutton, Blair, Jack Shelton, Urban, Von der Lippe, Hamlin, Miss Potter, Miss Ruth Howard of Prosser, guest of Mrs. Urban was the club guest.

MRS. SHAPPEL HOSTESS TO ENTRE NOUS CLUB

Mrs. T. O. Shappel was hostess to the Entre Nous Club Wednesday afternoon. For diversion there was the usual fancywork and social chat and the hostess served refreshing fruit punch with wafers and ice cream and cake. Those present were: Mesdames E. E. Trawick, Everton, W. H. Jones, A. E. Trawick, Quinn, Riggs and W. W. Brown.

FORTY-TWO CLUB MEETS TUESDAY EVENING

The Thursday Forty-two Club met Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Huff. There the usual tables of members to enjoy the game and the hostess had two additional tables of guests. The refreshment of the evening consisted of a meat course with an ice course for dessert.

On account of the "Everywoman" meeting the chorus practice of the Musicians Club to have been held Thursday was postponed. The chorus will meet next week for practice and the regular program will be given.

TO HOLD PAGEANT ON MISSION TOPIC

Novel Service is Planned For First Presbyterian Church Sunday Night

Sunday evening the fourth in the series of laymen's services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, the service to be in the interest of missions, conducted by the home and foreign mission committee, under the chairmanship of C. W. Beavers. The program follows:
Organ Voluntary.
Hymn.
Prayer.
Hymn.
Scripture and prayer.
Anthem.
Pageant: "America's Expenditures."
(1) America—Miss Pauline Mears.
Soda water—Miss Lillian Avis.
Candy—Miss Spartz.
Jewelry—Miss Lillian Bell.
Millinery—Mrs. McDowell.
Fircrackers—Miss Maurine Whorton.
Whiskey—Mrs. Whitney.
Army and Navy—Mrs. Heasley.
Chewing Gum—Catherine Brothers.
Toilet.
(2) Mountain Girl—Elizabeth Carrigan.
Indians—John Rhea Duke, Wylie Collier.
Immigrant Girl—Mary Frances Collier.
Foreigners—Maurine Smith, Anabel Cooper, Bernice Martin, Mary Louise Warren, Mary Joe Kell, Frankie Adickes and Leila May Robertson.
Talk—C. W. Beavers.
Special Music—Sunday school orchestra.
Talk—Rev. N. F. Grafton.
Offering.
Solo.
Benediction.

GOAT EXPERIMENT STATION PLANNED IN WEST TEXAS

By Associated Press.
San Angelo, Tex., March 24.—Texas will have a goat experimental station located in this portion of West Texas, and operated under the auspices of the Agricultural & Mechanical College and the state department of agriculture. The exact location has not been chosen, but it will be in the vicinity of Juno, about half way between Sonora and Del Rio. The farm will be established under a state appropriation of \$10,000 for that purpose. The development of the mohair industry in West Texas, the product being taken from the large herds of pure blooded angora goats, has resulted in its being a fixed industry in this section. By the appropriation and the establishment of this farm, the state has lent its aid in building up more of these thoroughbred goat herds.

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END ENGAGEMENT OF "EVERYWOMAN" AND TWO MEN STABBED, ONE IS ROBBED

Two Performances Thursday—Hundreds of Visitors Here—Local Boys as "Supes"

Two performances of "Everywoman" Thursday afternoon and Thursday night completed the engagement of the company here. The house was nearly filled at the matinee and another big crowd attended the night performance. It is estimated that close to 2,500 people witnessed the production here. Few attractions given here have drawn more visitors from neighboring towns. Henrietta, Electra, Vernon, Seymour and Frederick sent large delegations, the matinee as far away as Childress, Stamford and Graham were also represented. Many came in automobiles and hotels were thronged with visitors, numbers of whom improved the occasion to do some spring shopping, one management of the company is said to have been well pleased with the patronage here and to have given assurance that Wichita Falls would get more high class attractions. The company was greatly assisted in yesterday's performances by some local talent, several high school boys being employed as "supes" in the large orchestra, while their part with their own instruments and some of them, it is said, had to be restrained to prevent their accompanying the show from the city. The local newspaper inquired J. L. Mears Jr., Editor, Hamlin Ross Bassinger, H. Bunnenberg and Charles Carrington.

SAVES DAUGHTER

Advice of Mother no Doubt Prevents Daughter's Untimely End.
Ready, Ky.—"I was not able to do anything for nearly six months," writes Mrs. Laura Bratcher, of this place, "and was down in bed for three months. I cannot tell you how I suffered with my head, and with nervousness and womanly troubles. Our family doctor told my husband he could not do me any good, and he had to give it up. We tried another doctor, but he did not help me. At last, my mother advised me to take Cardui, the woman's tonic. I thought it was no use for I was nearly dead, and nothing seemed to do me any good. But I took eleven bottles, and now I am able to do all of my work and my own washing. I think Cardui is the best medicine in the world. My weight has increased, and I look the picture of health." If you suffer from any of the ailments peculiar to women, get a bottle of Cardui today. Delay is dangerous. We know it will help you, for it has helped so many thousands of other weak women in the past 50 years. At all druggists.

WANT YUAN SHI KAI TO QUIT ENTIRELY

Abandonment of Plan For Monarchy Does Not Appear All of Opponents
Shanghai, March 24.—Advices from Hong Kong indicate that the state department mandate announcing abandonment of the plan to resume the monarchical form of government in China, has met with a mixed reception in southern China. Of the two equally strong and powerful factions there the supporters of Yuan Shi Kai are said to believe there will be a peaceful settlement of the existing differences as a result of the decision. Those opposed to Yuan Shi Kai, according to the advices, declare the mandate has come too late and that the people are too deeply stirred against what they characterize as Yuan Shi Kai's faithlessness to his presidential oath to be appeased with anything less than his elimination as head of the government.

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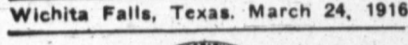
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If there is a shortage of food in Germany as claimed in some quarters it hasn't had any effect on the infantile population...

"Justice and Truth" Walter Williams, head of the school of journalism in the University of Missouri, told Texas editors at Austin this week...

While the Hay bill increasing the regular army and the National Guard and giving the federal government greater authority over the latter may fall far short of an adequate measure of national preparedness...

Accable from Pekin says that a mandate has been issued announcing the abandonment of the monarchy and re-organization of the republican form of government...

Ordinary fire insurance companies are believed to make a very substantial profit and the town or individual that goes along several years without any serious fire loss is convinced that fire insurance companies are making huge profits...

Hobart, Okla., \$500,000; and Augusta, Ga., \$7,000,000.

There have been signs recently of increasing interest in this section in the Meridian and Colorado-to-the-Gulf Highways...

Market Report

Fort Worth Live Stock. Fort Worth, Texas, March 24.—Cattle receipts 900 steady...

Chicago Grain. Chicago, March 24.—Wheat declined in value today influenced by lower prices at Liverpool...

New York Cotton. New York, March 24.—Cotton opened firm at an advance of one or two points...

VANCOUVER INFANTRY IS ORDERED TO BORDER. Vancouver, B. C., March 24.—One hundred and twenty-four men of the Twenty-first Infantry...

CHICAGO MOVIES ARE DAMAGED BY EXPLOSIONS. Chicago, March 24.—Two bomb explosions today damaged two south side motion picture theatres...

FINDS ARSENIC WAS BOUGHT BY DENTIST

Additional Evidence Disclosed in Case of Man Accused of Killing Father-in-Law

By Associated Press. New York, March 24.—Soon after Dr. Arthur Warren Wait, accused of poisoning his father-in-law...

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder. Sixty Years the Standard. No Alum—No Phosphate.

ENDEAVORERS WILL HOLD CONVENTION

Two Days' District Meeting Will Begin Tomorrow—Prominent Officials Coming.

Christian Endeavorers of this district will meet here Saturday for a two days convention...

GIRL ACQUITTED OF SLAYING MAN

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their last conversation. He wanted her to go to Houston with him. He said she couldn't return to Quannah and that if the baby was taken there he would kill it or steal it...

PRISONER KILLS TEXAS SHERIFF

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rence, six miles southeast of Checotah this morning. The farmer loaned them two horses to ride and sent his son along to guide them...

BELIEVE MRS. HADLEY WAS CARRYING PISTOL

By Associated Press. Kansas City, March 24.—Paul V. Hadley, who is being sought in connection with the killing of Sheriff Jake Giles of Jefferson county...

BEAUMONT OFFICER LEAVES TO TAKE PART IN SEARCH

By Associated Press. Beaumont, Tex., March 24.—Deputy Sheriff J. E. Frier left here this morning for Muskogee to aid in the capture of Paul V. Hadley and wife...

DRAWS LESSON FROM PARIS FIRE

IMPORTANCE OF REACHING FIRE QUICK STRESSED BY F. N. LAWTON.

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A great protection to every city is a plan to induce property owners to build fireproof buildings...

The capacity of the pumping station at our power house is about 10,000,000 gallons per day...

PROMINENT PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR DEAD AT DALLAS

News has been received here of the death at Dallas of Rev. W. L. Lowrance, left Wednesday night for San Antonio to accompany the body back to Dallas where it will be interred in Oak Cliff cemetery...

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Do not miss the patent at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday night. 71-11c

The Novelty Hair Dressing Parlor: Mrs. Nancy Taylor, Room 406 First National Bank Bldg. phone 1448. 227-11c

Special sale on carnations Saturday. 50 cents a dozen delivered. Wichita Nursery and Floral Co. Phone 271. 271-11c

Dr. Prothro, Dentist, Ward Building. 60-11c

E. G. Hill, undertaker, office and parlors 900 Scott Ave. Phone 225. Prompt ambulance service. 92-11c

Hear the sermon on "Everywoman" at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning. 71-11c

Sensible men wear sensible shoes. Try pair Selz famous Walkenast at Martin's Shoe Store. 806 Indiana. 70-2c

For deeds to lots in Riverside Cemetery see O. W. Hines, manager Wichita Falls Undertaking Company. 212-11c

The following case was filed Thursday in the 36th district court: Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association, vs. Reese S. Allen, debt. 255-11c

Miss Olive Fowler, dressmaker, 1601 Austin street. Phone 826. 255-11c

Singapore at the Gem tomorrow. Eighth chapter. 271-11c

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Did you see "Everywoman?" Hear the sermon on that subject at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning. 71-11c

Hear it before you buy it. Over 5,000 copies of sheet music, popular standard, classical, vocal and instrumental, 10 cents a copy at Madam's with Harrison & Everett. 267-61c

The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold a chicken pie dinner Saturday, March 25, in the building formerly occupied by Nussbaum's Dry Good Co., beginning at 11:45. 268-11c

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The funeral of W. J. Dick, who died Tuesday from gunshot wounds received Sunday at Moran, was held this morning from the Catholic church, burial being held in the Catholic cemetery. The Rev. Father, J. J. Campbell officiated and the following acted as pallbearers: H. Overton, William Beasley, Charles Cross, S. Shipley, W. C. Brenning and Frank Ray. 269-11c

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The patent at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday night will delight and instruct you. 71-11c

Dr. Scharff, Osteopath, R. & K. Bldg. 271-11c

Don't forget the chicken pie dinner by the Episcopal church ladies Saturday, March 25, from 11 to 2 o'clock. Menu: Chicken pie, baked potatoes and gravy, cranberry jelly, cabbage cold slaw, hot rolls and butter, pineapple sherbet and coffee. 271-11c

INCREASED TARIFF ON SUGAR NOW CONSIDERED By Associated Press. Washington, March 24.—Serious consideration was given by the Senate finance committee today to a proposal not only to repeal the free sugar clause of the tariff, but to increase the present tariff by half a cent a pound and levy a production tax of one cent a pound on all sugar produced in the United States to raise emergency revenue.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY By Associated Press. Chicago, March 24.—A local department store today was given permission by the school trustees to distribute 3000 seedling Norway pine trees among Chicago school children. The trees will be sold at one cent each and are to be planted on Arbor day.

WANTED—Will pay liberal price for old Bible and album with pictures; also large framed pictures, all sold at public auction February 26. Phone 147 or call at 1815 Filmore. 71-31p

At the Churches

Fourth Street Baptist Church. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. R. M. Brown, superintendent. A special missionary program will be rendered followed by appropriate sermon. Every member of the school and church is urged to attend this service. Officers are cordially invited. Sunbeam Band at 3 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:45 p. m. Woman's Alliance Monday at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday 7:30 p. m. The Teacher Training Class will have its graduation exercises tonight (Friday) at which time diplomas in teacher training will be presented to a class of twenty-six besides a number of seals to others. Nearly one-third of the active membership of our church hold a diploma in teacher training. If desirous of worshiping and working here greatly needed come and meet with us. A home like church is our aim. T. E. CANNEDY, Pastor.

Church of Christ. (1104 Blvd.) Bible school opens promptly at 9:20 a. m. Preaching at 11 o'clock and 7:45 p. m. Regular services. Evening subject, "Excuses." We are pulling for a full house Sunday night. Those who don't come are requested to contribute an offering to the evening service. The public specially invited to this service. C. A. BUCHANAN, Minister.

First Presbyterian Church. Did you see "Everywoman" played? The subject for the morning sermon is "Everywoman." At 11 o'clock another layman service. This will be one of the very best of the series. It will be a pageant and twenty-one people will take part. You can not afford to miss it. The program in this issue. An opportunity for church membership will be given at the morning hour. Let every member of the Sunday school be in his place to greet Mr. Hunt, our superintendent, who has just returned from a trip to California. N. F. GRAFTON, Pastor.

Central Presbyterian Church. Sunday will close my work with this church, and I would be glad to see all our people at the regular services. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. P. S. FADDEN, Pastor.

First Baptist Church. Sunday school, 9:30. A few minutes will be given to class work and then all the school will go to the main auditorium where the children and young people will give a special program in the place of the regular lesson. Don't fail to hear them. Preaching by the pastor at 11 and 7:45 B. Y. P. U. at 6:45. Alliance Monday at 7 at the church; all the ladies are urged to be there. Prayer meeting at 7:45 Wednesday evening. All strangers and people without a regular church home are invited to worship with us. Traveling men have a special invitation. FRED T. DATSON, Rector.

Church of the Good Shepherd. (A House of Prayer for All Peoples.) Holy communion, 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; morning prayer and Liturgy, 11 a. m. Subject of the pastor's sermon: "Life: More Abundant Life." Evening prayer, 7:45 p. m. Sermon subject: "The Open Door to Friendship." Everybody cordially invited to the services of this church. Good music, hearty responsive services and a vital message. All seats are free, and you are welcome to our best. FRED T. DATSON, Rector.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church. (Corner of Seventh and Lenox.) Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Rev. Brannon will lead the league service. Preaching both morning and evening. If you are a Methodist and in the city without a church home, come and worship with us. Strangers are cordially invited. C. C. BRANNON, Pastor.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Sunday will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of Francis Ashbury, and this day will be observed throughout the world wide Methodism. The pastor will preach Sunday morning at Francis Ashbury, and the pioneers of Methodism. At the evening service the pastor will answer many questions that have been asked him within the past week, and will preach on "The Modern Theology in its Influence for Good or Evil." There were 425 at Sunday school last Sunday, and we hope for a large attendance this week. League devotional service at 6:45. All of our young people should attend this meeting. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 6:45. We had 120 present last week and are expecting 150 next week. Allen L. Andrews, Pastor.

Lutheran Church (Mo. Synod) (Eleventh and Holiday Sts.) Sunday school (German and English classes) at 9 a. m.; Bible class at 9:45 a. m.; German morning worship at 10:30 a. m.; English services at 2:30 p. m. cordial invitation is extended to every one to worship with us. C. M. BEYER, Pastor.

Lutheran Trinity Church. (Fourteenth and Buff St.) German services at 1:30 a. m. In the absence of the pastor our services will be led by J. Klein. Sunday school after services. Lenten Bible services Wednesday 8 p. m. Everybody is invited to attend our services. P. A. BRACHEE, Pastor.

First Christian Church. Bible school 9:30, W. J. Bullock, superintendent, good teachers, graded lessons and classes for all ages. Christian Endeavor and intermediates meet in their own rooms, 6:30. Remember the District Christian Endeavor convention, which convenes Saturday afternoon and evening. Mr. Carl Lehmann and Mr. Patrick Healy, two of our greatest Endeavor workers, will be in charge of the program. Mr. Henry will also speak at the Sunday evening 7:30 service. Don't fail to hear these and others on program. At the morning hour, 10 a. m., the pastor will speak upon "Christian Responsibility." Let every member and friend attend this service. F. F. WALTERS, Pastor.

SEEDLING PINE TREES DISTRIBUTED IN CHICAGO By Associated Press. Chicago, March 24.—A local department store today was given permission by the school trustees to distribute 3000 seedling Norway pine trees among Chicago school children. The trees will be sold at one cent each and are to be planted on Arbor day.

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FARMERS UNION IS STILL IN SESSION

Resolutions on Benevolence of President Are Adopted by Delegates This Morning

A resolution extending sympathy to George E. Courtney, president of the Wichita Valley District Farmers Union and to his family in the loss of his sixteen year old son, Dewey, who died March 21 at Haskell, Texas, was adopted unanimously by delegates to the quarterly convention of the union at this morning's session in the Moose hall. The resolution committee is comprised of the following delegates: J. L. McConkey, T. B. Taylor, J. C. Webb, A. H. Lee, J. E. Edmondson.

It is understood that extensive plans for the improvement of the union are being considered, but nothing definite has yet been given out. The convention will probably close Saturday night.

CABINET TALKS OF CALLING OUT MILITIA

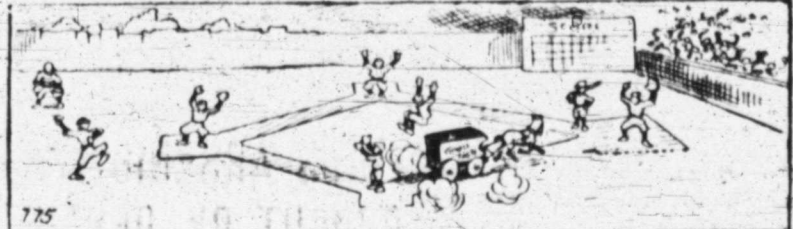
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of supplies and money being furnished to Villa from foreign countries and from the United States. His resolution proposed to brand Americans who gave such aid as "guilty of actual treason."

At the request of Senator Borah, republicans, the resolution was read twice, then Senator Bewis asked that it lay over and said he would speak upon it soon. Some of the border senators read telegrams from citizens expressing apprehension for the safety of American interests along the Mexican line and Senator Stone renewed his appeal to senators not to agitate the question and the discussion ceased.

Among the members of the "Everywoman" company who had the pleasure of meeting friends in this city was Miss Helen Molineaux, who played the part of "Beauty." Miss Molineaux was a St. Louis girl and a friend of Mrs. C. H. Dent of this city, having been a schoolmate of a niece of Mrs. Dent.

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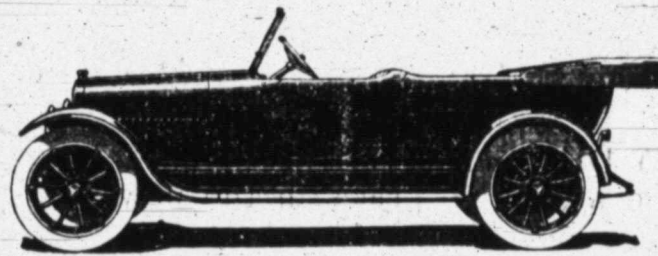
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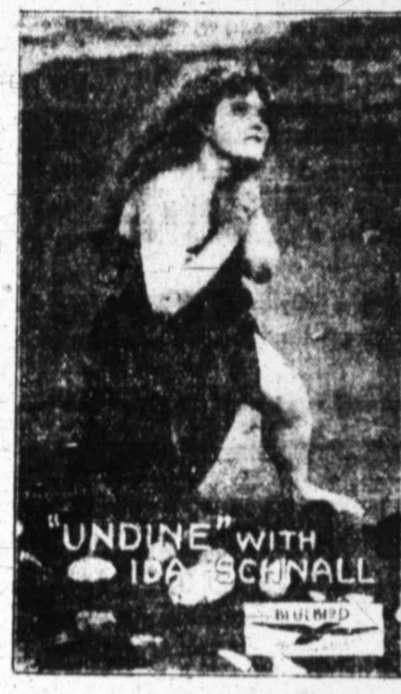


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AT THE THEATRES

The Lydia Margaret. "The Golden Claw," a Triangle Fine Arts picture which features Bessie Barriscale will be shown today, having had a first day's showing yesterday. An entertaining comedy completes the program.

The Majestic. Today and Saturday will be shown "Undine," a Blue Bird production. In "Undine" there are many scenes devoted to the realm of "Undine," queen of the water drops. The beautiful gown of the Catalina Islands, wide stretches of smooth, sandy shore, and the picturesque rocks and "freakish trees" provide a natural setting for the artifice of the photographer and the pantomime of the clever girls who disport at their own free will on the sands, and dive and swim like sportive fish in the waters of the Pacific. There are a score or more of these immortal characters of nymphs, and water-sprites.

Miss Ida Schnall, famous athlete and swimmer, beautiful of face and divinely formed, was entrusted with the important role of "Undine" and her acting upon land and her wonderful expertness in swimming, diving and cavorting in the water, has fully realized the requirements of the role. With her are a score of beautiful girls, expert swimmers, who constitute the attendants upon Queen Undine and form a bevy of physical loveliness never so profusely adorned that their freedom of action is restricted by the conventionalities of styles in dress.

The camera-man has taken every advantage of his opportunity to set clearly before the eyes of the spectators the fascinations of these nymphs and sylphs; their every move is revealed in the clear waters of the Pacific, and as they glimmer over the rocks or disport themselves upon the beach, they constitute a like representation of the fairies and sprites from the pages of children's transcendent imagination, brought into photographic being, and appearing in the form of human Venuses.

"EXCUSE ME" AT THE LYDIA MARGARET—SATURDAY

George F. Marion and a supporting cast of comedy artists makes the picture, "Excuse Me," adapted from the success of the same name—a hit-the picture-grocery and "freakish trees" provide a natural setting for the artifice of the photographer and the pantomime of the clever girls who disport at their own free will on the sands, and dive and swim like sportive fish in the waters of the Pacific. There are a score or more of these immortal characters of nymphs, and water-sprites.

Edmund Broese, the star of "The Lion and the Mouse," heads the Metro production, "The Song of a Wage Slave," showing at the Empress today. Ms. Broese enacts the role of Ned Lane, worker in a paper mill, who is in love with Mildred Hale, daughter of a fellow-employee who falls to return his love. The girl is infatuated with Frank Dawson, son

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FIVE AND TEN CENTS.

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Marguerite Courtot and Sydney Mason

"The Dead Alive"

A breathless spectacular tale of twin sisters in which Miss Courtot plays both girls, one the pampered wife of a millionaire, the other a beauty of the stage in the clutches of an international crook.

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of the mill owner, and when he is sent away by his father in hopes of breaking off the match the girl turns to Lane, who is ready to protect her good name. He quarrels bitterly to save her from disgrace and from that time on his life is one of almost continual sacrifice for the woman he loves. Dawson comes back a happy man, knowing nothing of her marriage to Lane. When Lane learns this he disappears and arranges things so that he is believed to be dead. Still later he is called on for another sacrifice. The theme is a strong one and well handled and Mr. Broese's portrayal is a masterpiece.

The Gem. Today's program has two features—a three-part picture, "The Big Brother," with Charles King starred and the sixteenth and last of the "Venetures of Marguerite," with Marguerite Courtot in the leads. A synopsis of this picture, "The Trail's End," follows: "Through his mirror voceraph he learns that Marguerite is carrying the code-book with her to a reception at the home of Colonel West. The Wolf and his confederate there make a strenuous effort to secure the code-book but they are frustrated by Fred Randall, Marguerite's sweetheart, and all ends well when the soldiers of the fort pursuing 'The Wolf' engage in a skirmish in which the international crook is killed and his confederate captured."

ALL EFFORTS EXCEEDED BY "BIRTH OF A NATION"
The new theatrical art invented by David W. Griffith in producing "The Birth of a Nation" has enabled him to surpass by far any previous stage spectacle. "Ben Hur" and "The Blue Bird" were supposed to be the high water mark of such productions. They were magnificent spectacles, but this epic of American history with its 2,000 scenes, 18,000 characters, 3,000 cavalry, 200,000 details the re-creation of eight months of stress, labor and the expenditure of half a million dollars. The great director is being repaid for his monumental effort in the motion picture spectacle by capacity business at first class prices in the principal theatres of the country.

FIGHTERS AWAIT SATURDAY NIGHT

(Continued from page one)

Carl Morris down in Oklahoma, who has been touted as the hope of the white race. "Jess, you ought to be able to do this country's white hope," said the crowd. When Jess heard of his cowboy friend and they went to the ground in a good natured exchange of blows.

Not long after this Willard took a trip to Oklahoma City and saw Morris at Mike Schreck. As he sat at the table, looking at Morris, Willard decided to become a boxer.

Believed in himself from outset. Endowed by nature with a marvelous physique, the slinky, boxer's build, Willard looked at Morris from the start. In his first bouts Willard was victorious. He was forever getting in his own way, a favorite comment of his companions was that he had three punches instead of two. When he first donned boxing gloves, he had no idea either how to use his long arms.

He was a natural athlete. He could jump, run and swim better than any youngster in Pottawatomie County, Kan. When he was 20 years old he weighed 170 pounds, and was tall, thin, and raw-boned. He could run 100 yards in 9.5 without much effort.

Willard's primary object now was to put all his athletic talents to good use in the boxing ring. He studied his way to loss by Fall. His first bout was in 1911, when he went into the ring against Louis Fink at Sulphur, Okla. The bout was a round. Willard was thoroughly punched by his opponent and was so clumsy that he lost the bout on a foul.

The mistake that he made in the second round was that he was not being careful, but he benefited by them, and a month later he met the same Fink in Oklahoma City and knocked him out cold in three rounds. Despite his slow progress Willard made at the boxing game, he was encouraged by the discovery that he could stand punishment. He had fought with Fink he took a blow after blow on the jaw, but it did not even jar his massive frame. It was the same with hard body blows. They did not hurt him.

In the course of the first two years Willard was pitted against a number of shrewd and tough fighters. He was always hitting power and disposed of most of his inferior opponents by the knockout route. The Kansas was such a big fellow that he was a great surprise.

He is perhaps the one champion in the history of the ring who never fought in a preliminary bout. He has always been the main attraction of every boxing show in which he has appeared.

In his ring record of 27 fights, Willard has won by knockouts in 19 of these. Knockout fights he fought 107 rounds, an average of 6.34 rounds to a knockout. This record stands as a silent tribute to his boxing power.

of the long period of his effort for recognition as a boxer his one ambition was to beat Johnson. With this object in view Willard fought any one who came and wherever an opportunity presented itself.

Willard had a great pal in Ray Archer. They were boys together in Topeka, Kan., and Archer always had the courage and encouragement for Willard when his progress was slow that he looked as if he never would cultivate any ring cleverness. In 1913, when boxing was flourishing on the Pacific Coast, Willard and Archer went to San Francisco. There the white hope met Tom Jones, who was a shrewd judge of fighting material. He had picked up a champion as Gans, Volganst and Pilly Papke, and knew the fighting game from beginning to end.

Outpointed by Gunboat Smith. Jones was quick to see that this physical make-up had the elements of a world beater with proper development. Willard knew nothing about feinting, cross-counting, ducking, or blocking.

Under Jones' management Willard was matched against a round bout with Gunboat Smith. That was when the California sailor was at his best, and at the end of twenty rounds Willard was exhausted, although he had decidedly outpointed. Yet Willard says himself that not one blow in that fight hurt him.

He could not do much against Smith because he was so concerned about his attack. It was his first twenty-round bout, and he was all at sea. Jones was overjoyed at the manner in which Willard took every round, and the Gunboat sent at him. His stamina was wonderful, but he was slow and crude.

It was Jones who first taught Willard the fundamentals of the pugilistic primer. "I never had to tell Willard how to hit," said Jones the other day. "His own style was natural and easy. They said that the war tricks that he lacked, and in my whole career as a handler of fighting men I have never seen a boxer who picked up things as quickly as Willard. He believed that he would ever be able to duck blows as the smaller fighters did. He imagined his huge frame was so bulky that he would be unable to move fast enough to duck or dodge. Yet he picked up this part of the game, until now he can shift out of reach of a blow with the swiftness of a lightning bolt."

Is a Straight Arm Boxer. Willard's style of boxing is almost perfectly natural. He is a straight arm boxer and can use both of his arms. While his favorite lead is a left jab, he has a right right jab, and is willing to turn against an opponent's jab. He has no crutch or maniacisms. He stands up straight, with his head back and the chin tucked under the jaw. Willard holds his guard low, and this is because all his opponents are so much shorter that the objective point of his attack is his opponent's head. He now moves about on his toes, and his steps are easy and he never stumbles; he is never out of position. He is a fighter.

The Kansas frequently uses what boxers call the "one-two" punch. He leads with a left jab short and straight, and immediately anticipates and blocks, but always with a short-arm blow to the body.

It was Willard's three left jab and right to the body which wore down the attack of Heavyweight contender, which brought him the championship. Willard never used a hook or a swing. Every blow was a straight right or left jab, and he was never out of position. With his long powerful arms, Willard is remarkable effective at in-fighting. His advantage over opponents is the style of his boxing, and his dependent in the best against Johnson. The clever black fighter was at a complete loss when he tried to punish Willard by his jabbing, the frame of James Jeffries at Reno.

Johnson's Punches Didn't Daze Him. Willard has never been knocked off his feet, and he has never lost a fight. The wickedest of Johnson's smashes on the jaw and on the body, but was never dazed. The negro used every device known against him, but he took a bushy, Kansas and yet, except for a slight scratch under one eye, the giant left the ring unmarked.

Just when he had work and perseverance, the great fighter, Willard the great fighter that he is, said his trainer, Walter Monahan, last week. "He had a natural style in the beginning, and he has never lost a fight. He is strong by a blow he is dangerous. But his quiet, even disposition is one of his greatest assets."

He has a wonderful temperament for a fighter. His temper is always under control, and I have to see him to see that he has not lost his temper. He has the jaw with all the power at his command, but he seems to have no weak spot on his jaw or body. Jess has never been able to get at his jaw, and I hate to think what would happen to an opponent if he did."

It has been said that Willard lacks nerve and courage, never can be said that he lacks courage. His rise to the championship was a hard, trying struggle. The development, from a provincial, bronzed, fast boxer to a slow, deliberate course. He experienced all the ups and downs of the school of hard knocks and his "come through" triumphantly.

Willard is the largest man that ever fought in the ring. He was born in Pottawatomie County, Kansas, twenty-nine years ago. His father, a ranch man, was a native of Ohio, and his mother was born in Kentucky. He is the youngest of three brothers, but he has one half brother, as big as Jess. In his younger days he was a big puncher and a bronco buster until he became too heavy to ride a cow pony. He studied then as a horseman and is still a crack rifle and pistol shot.

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Opponent	Result	Rds.
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Ed. Smith	W.	6
Joe Garcia	W.	4
Black-Fine	K.	5
John White	D.	6
1911—Harry Ames	W.	19
Frank Dringman	K.	7
Tom Cowler	K.	6
Charley Wilson	K.	2
Al Kuban	D.	10
Tom Keeney	D.	10
Jim Savaux	D.	10
Tommy Ross	D.	10
Gunboat Smith	L.	20
1912—Bill Miller	W.	11
Sailor White	N.D.	6
Luther McCarty	N.D.	10
Jim Logan	K.	4
1913—Frank Johnson	K.	7
Bombardier Wells	K.	10
George Sims	K.	6
Jim Coffey	N.D.	10
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Willard's Record.

Opponent	Result	Rds.
1911—Louis Fink	L.	10
Mar. 10—Ed. Burke	K.	3
Mar. 25—Louis Fink	K.	3
Apr. 14—Al Mandeno	K.	4
Apr. 29—Joe Cavanaugh	K.	11
June 4—Luther McCarty	N.D.	10
July 4—Frank Lyon	W.	10
July 16—Mike Conisky	W.	10
1912—John Young	K.	6
July 29—Frank Bower	K.	6
July 29—John Young	K.	6
July 29—Arthur Peiky	N.D.	10
Aug. 12—Luther McCarty	N.D.	10
Dec. 2—Sailor White	K.	1
Dec. 27—Soldier Kearns	K.	3
1913—Frank Bauer	K.	5
Mar. 5—Jack Leon	K.	4
May 20—Gunboat Smith	L.	20
June 27—Charley Miller	D.	4
Aug. 2—Bill Miller	W.	11
Aug. 22—Bill Anderson	K.	11
Nov. 17—Geo. Rodel	N.D.	10
Nov. 24—Jack Reed	W.	2
Apr. 12—Bill Miller	W.	10
Dec. 12—George Davis	K.	2
Dec. 29—George Rodel	K.	5
1914—Tom McMahon	L.	3
Apr. 12—Dan Daily	K.	3
Apr. 28—George Rodel	K.	6
1915—Jack Johnson	K.	26
W. Wenzel	L.	5
Knockout—D. Draw; N.D.—No Decision.		

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Fourth Street Baptist School For Sunday School Workers Finishes Course

The first teacher training class of the Fourth Street Baptist Church to finish its course will graduate tonight, the exercises to be held at the church. There will be thirteen pupils to receive their seventh seal and all appropriate program has been arranged.

Rev. T. E. Cannady is pastor of the church and he and Mrs. Cannady are enrolled as post graduate pupils. R. M. Brown is superintendent of the school. There are 26 members enrolled in the training class, which has for its text, "The word have I hid in my heart;" class aim, "My heart in his work; the Bible in my heart; my mind trained for service;" class colors, red, white and blue; class song, "The King's Business."

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TUBERCULOSIS FATAL TO YOUNG MAN TODAY

Tom Carter, a young man aged about 25 years, died today at his home, 504 Scott, following an illness of several months. Tuberculosis is given as the cause of death. A widowed mother and two brothers, Sam and Leslie Carter, both residents of this city, survive him. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at the family residence, the Yeoman lodge to have charge of the services.

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ARMY RECRUITING STATION IS OPENED

"Men Wanted for U. S. Army" appeared on a banner hung from the fifth building, the old City National Bank Building on Ohio avenue this afternoon. Corporal John McGee is opening up a recruiting station here. Corporal McGee has just arrived and this afternoon was busy getting the station ready to receive applicants for enlistment between the ages of 18 and 25 are wanted. Army enlistment stations are being opened at Fort Worth, Marshall, Waco, Dumas and here. Twenty-five thousand additional men are wanted immediately for the regular army. It is expected the new army bill will call for more men so that a large number of recruits will be needed as long as recruits respond in sufficient numbers. A recruiting station for the navy has been opened here for several years, this being one of the best recruiting points for the navy in the Southwest.

The Knights and Ladies of Honor will give a dance tonight at the old Odd Fellows Hall on Indiana.

Chief of Police John B. Nail today received a telegram from Fort Worth police that they had decided not to send for the two negroes arrested here Thursday night by Patrolman Frank Burns in connection with a Fort Worth burglary. Chief Nail says he is positive the men are the ones wanted at Fort Worth, as they answer the circular descriptions. He has arrested them on charges of vagrancy and they will be tried in police court Saturday morning.

Judge Nicholson of the 78th District Court today set aside a verdict for \$200 favor of the defendants in the case of Simpson & Anderson, vs the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, ruling that the evidence was insufficient. The plaintiffs sought to recover insurance on a fire loss suffered about two years ago. A new trial was granted and will start Saturday morning.

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SHOOTING RESULTS FROM DAMAGE SUIT

Man is Killed and Brother Wounded—Physician Surrenders and is Jailed

By Associated Press. Hugo, Okla., March 24.—E. R. Majors, a veterinary, is dead and his brother, Walter Majors, badly wounded, as a result of a shooting between them and Dr. C. S. Lynch in Russell, 29 miles west of here last night. Lynch, who was shot at but not hit, surrendered to officers and is now in jail here. A \$50,000 damage suit for alleged alienation of affections, filed by Majors against Lynch, is pending in the district court here. Lynch is prominent and reputed to be wealthy.

PROMPT ARREST FOLLOWS REQUEST FROM SEYMOUR

Chief of Police John B. Nail provided that he is all that his name implies this morning when he "sealed" a prisoner in 25 minutes from the time he received a description of the man from Constable Ellis of Seymour where he is wanted on a charge of bootlegging. At 10 o'clock the chief received a telegraphic description of James E.

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MOUNTAIN BATTERY HAS ARRIVED AT BROWNSVILLE

By Associated Press. Brownville, Tex., March 24.—Battery D of the Fourth Field Artillery, a mountain battery, went into camp at Fort Brown today, to which point they were ordered from Mercedes by General Huaston.

INTERCLASS TRACK MEET IS BEING HELD TODAY

An interclass track meet is being held at the high school this afternoon, the usual track and field events being on the program. This meet is one of several preliminary athletic events which will take place at the local high school preparatory to the county and district meets, to be held here in April.

The Wichita Nursery and Floral Co will give a special sale on carnations tomorrow, one day only, at 50 cents a dozen. Phone 271.

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DEATH LIST

**ONLY THREE;
ONE MISSING**

MOST OF BUSINESS SECTION IN
RUINS AND MANY BLOCKS OF
RESIDENCES DESTROYED AND
FIRE NOT YET ENTIRELY OUT

RUSHING RELIEF

Food and Supplies Are Sent From
Nearby Towns—Buildings Guttered
By Flames Are Being Dynamited
Today

By Associated Press.

Paris, Texas, March 22.—Three persons are known to be dead, one is missing and is believed to have perished in the fire which destroyed all the business district and most of the residential section of Paris last night. The dead:

John Straub, burned in his home.

Mrs. W. J. Bailey, aged about 50, died from shock.

An unidentified negro.

The missing:

Mrs. A. G. Poul, an aged woman, whose home was burned, and who has not been seen since before the fire.

A conservative estimate of the number of people made homeless by last night's fire in the business and residential district here, was 8,000, made early today by Mayor Ed McCuiston.

Although the city is without food, there was apparently little suffering and a good-natured, though dazed, view was taken of the disaster by a majority of the citizens.

A statement issued by Mayor McCuiston today placed the damage in last night's fire at between \$8,000,000 and \$10,000,000.

"No survey of sufficient accuracy has been completed to enable me to announce definitely the number of homeless," the statement read, "the known deaths are three."

Daybreak showed this city, yesterday a thriving population center of North Texas, a bed of embers with fires still burning in some sections and with but about one-third of the city untouched by the flames.

Here and there a more substantial small brick building or a residence set apart from the path of the flames stood isolated in the charred ruins in the business section the main brick walls blackened by heavy smoke and extending into the air five and six stories were being razed by dynamite with a safety zone projected that passersby might not be endangered by falling walls.

The work of dynamiting the buildings commenced as soon after daybreak as a supply of blasting material could be obtained. One by one buildings which cost from \$100,000 to \$300,000 already gutted by the flames tumbled with a roar into the debris of the streets.

Only small stores remain. At one time last night, about one o'clock, a change of wind and signs of rain gave hope that the fire would be soon under control. The fire had extended to the west side of the public square that hour and was consuming the court house, the new federal building and the new high school. From that time until morning the flames spread in a west and north-west direction burning an additional twenty blocks and 800 to 900 residences.

In the business section there are left only small stores on side streets radiating from the public square. In these stores Paris business establishments this morning to care for the needy. In one brick building, 50x100 feet long was located a branch office of the telephone company for long distance talking, a temporary telegraph office consisting of key and sonder placed on a shelf, a hastily constructed apothecary shop and on the other side a small stock of clothing which was in great demand by those who had lost most of their apparel in the flames.

Supplies Are Ordered.

They were fully 100 people waiting for the opening of the telephone station's conversations were limited to two minutes each. Of this hundred at least 60 were business men, storekeepers, hotel and restaurant

OTHER FIRES

**FLAMES CAUSE
\$1,000,000 LOSS
IN TULSA FIELD**

By Associated Press.

Tulsa, Okla., March 22.—Due to the fact that all wires are down entering the fire swept district of the Cushing oil field details concerning the loss is unobtainable. However, it is estimated that the loss will total at least \$1,000,000.

The fire still was raging at noon today but slowly burning itself out due to the change in the direction of the wind.

All Tulsa oil companies interested sent representatives to the field early today.

M'KINNEY SUSTAINS \$250,000 FIRE LOSS

Compress With 3,000 Bales of Cotton, and Six Residences Are Destroyed

Special to The Times. McKinney, Tex., March 22.—Six residences, a cotton compress and about 3,000 bales of cotton were destroyed by fire here yesterday afternoon. The total loss is estimated at \$250,000 partially covered by insurance.

Included in the fire loss is the complete plant of the McKinney Cotton Compress Company with 3,000 bales of cotton, representing between \$150,000 and \$200,000 of the damage. The plant of the Collin County High Elevator Company near the compress was badly damaged, although the flames were subdued during the early course of the conflagration.

Five residences in the neighborhood of the Gardner home were destroyed within a short time. Sparks spread to the cotton compress, across the street, and fanned by a strong breeze from the south, made quick work of the skeleton structure and its contents of cotton. Eight cars on the H. & T. C. track in the compress yard, were hauled to safety by an M. K. & T. switch engine, which dashed into the flames and smoke and towed the cars on fifty cars of merchandise in that vicinity were hauled to safety in the same manner.

No persons were hurt. Household goods in the threatened section hurriedly sought to take their furniture from the homes, but in several instances were unsuccessful.

The loss of five dwellings in the white residence section is estimated at \$40,000 and in the negro section at about \$10,000 or more, with contents.

It is believed that \$200,000 will be the total loss in the compress owner, the total of which is covered by insurance.

CHEMICAL PLANT IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Tennessee Concern's Loss is Estimated at \$1,000,000—One Man Fatally Injured

By Associated Press. Copper Hill, Tenn., March 22.—More than \$1,000,000 was today's estimate of the loss of the fire which yesterday totally destroyed the new main buildings, acid, crude and finished products tanks of the Carbolic Chemical Company here. By the explosion of one of the largest chemical tanks Assistant Superintendent George Strobel was fatally injured. The fire originated by acid boiling over in one of the kettles. The plant in the past few months has been engaged in the manufacture of ingredients for high explosives.

SPRAY, NORTH CAROLINA, ON FIRE THIS AFTERNOON

By Associated Press. Greensboro, N. C., March 22.—Spray, North Carolina, several miles north of here, was burning this afternoon. Virtually all structures in the business district were reported destroyed. Spray has a population of 2,000, and some of the largest cotton mills in the state.

FIRE AT NASHVILLE GETTING BEYOND CONTROL

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., March 22.—A fire which started in a small dwelling house near the corner of Sixth and Main this afternoon, driven by a high wind, is sweeping southeast through east Nashville. Houses for two blocks are one fire. The fire department has not been able to control it.

WILSON RESENTS STORY OF PEACE MOVE IN BERLIN

REPORT THAT AMBASSADOR GERARD REMAINED TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS MEETS EMPHATIC DENIAL IN WASHINGTON

VACATION DELAYED

Action of Ambassador Gives Rise to Newspaper Stories That Are Rejected in Washington—Statements Are Issued

By Associated Press. Washington, March 22.—President Wilson was represented at the White House today as being resentful of publication of stories that Ambassador Gerard had reported Germany was about to make a move for peace. The published reports were characterized as being based on inference. This statement was issued:

"President Wilson, through Secretary Tamm, today authorized a denial of stories appearing in papers to the effect that the purpose of Ambassador Gerard's remaining in Berlin was to await Germany's proposal for peace. There is no justification for that inference being drawn."

Yesterday the state department took notice of the publication by denying that Germany had intimated to the United States that the time was ripe for the United States, as the largest neutral, to renew its friendly offices for peace or that the United States had been intimated that Mr. Gerard had been requested to postpone his vacation because of pending peace negotiations.

Unofficial reports reaching here today said the ambassador actually had postponed his vacation, but gave no cause.

The state department today again took cognizance of the report and the following statement was issued:

"Any statement that the German government had intimated that it desired this government to act as mediator in peace negotiations or had in any way suggested formally or informally that this government should take the matter up with other powers is absolutely without foundation and that the state department has no information that Germany is preparing to make a definite step in the direction of peace."

State department officials declared they were resentful at the publication of reports, because, they said, if there were any prospects of mediation, they would be damaged, if not destroyed.

It is known that the American ambassadors in all the belligerent countries have constantly been reporting on confidential conferences for the information of President Wilson, and it is understood that the burden of their reports has been that there were no more prospects for peace than there have been at any time in the last month.

All the belligerents are understood to be ready for peace on their own terms.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ACT KNOCKED OUT

By Associated Press. Austin, Tex., March 22.—The presidential primary act of the 33rd legislature was today held unconstitutional and unenforceable by the state supreme court in a unanimous opinion by Chief Justice Nelson Phillips. The holding is based on the payment of the expenses of such primary elections out of the public funds.

"Tested by legal principles which are clear and established, the payment of expenses of primary elections of political parties is not a public purpose for which public revenues may be used; and in our opinion the act in question is therefore unconstitutional and unenforceable," reads the opinion.

COLUMN MAY BE SENT OVER LINE FROM EASTWARD

WOULD PARTIALLY MAKE UP FOR DIFFICULTIES ENTAILED BY FAILURE TO GET PERMISSION TO USE RAILROAD LINES

PROBLEM PRESSING

Railroad Situation of More Interest On Border Than Any Other Feature of Situation at Present Time It Is Declared

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Columbus, N. M., March 22.—Wireless communication with the advance base of the American expeditionary force at Casas Grandes was restored today. Several messages, all in code were received, but none gave word of the two missing lieutenants of the army aviators corps. Search for them is being continued.

AMERICAN TROOPS MAY HAVE CLASHED WITH VILLISTAS, BUT NO WORD COMES FROM PERSHING--2 AVIATORS MISSING

By Associated Press.

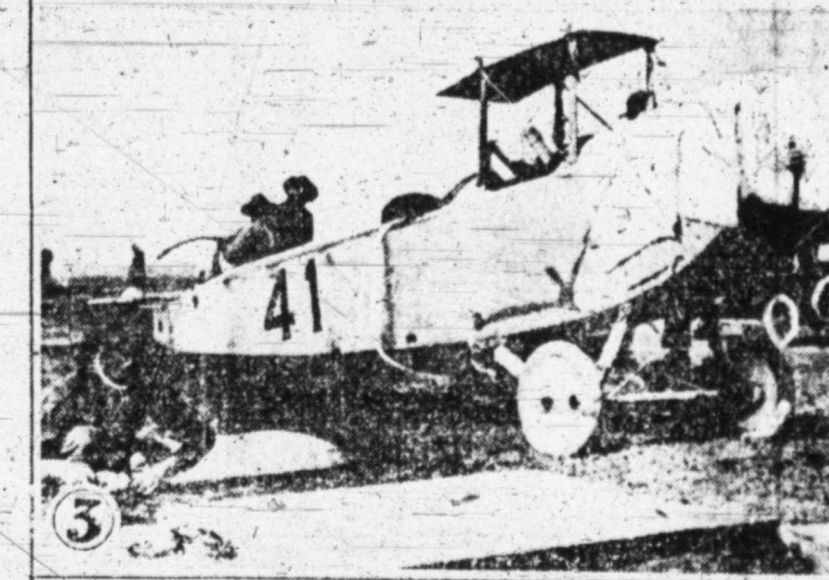
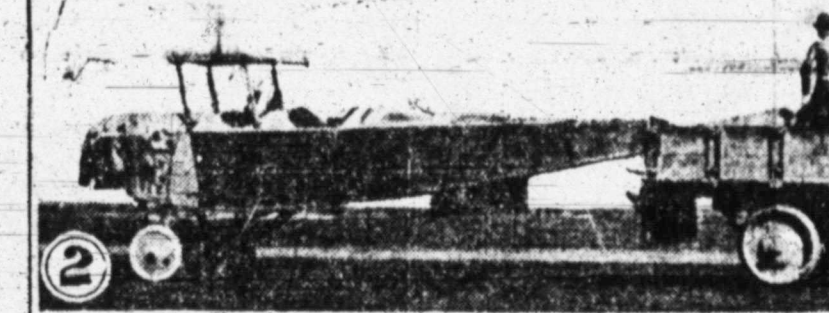
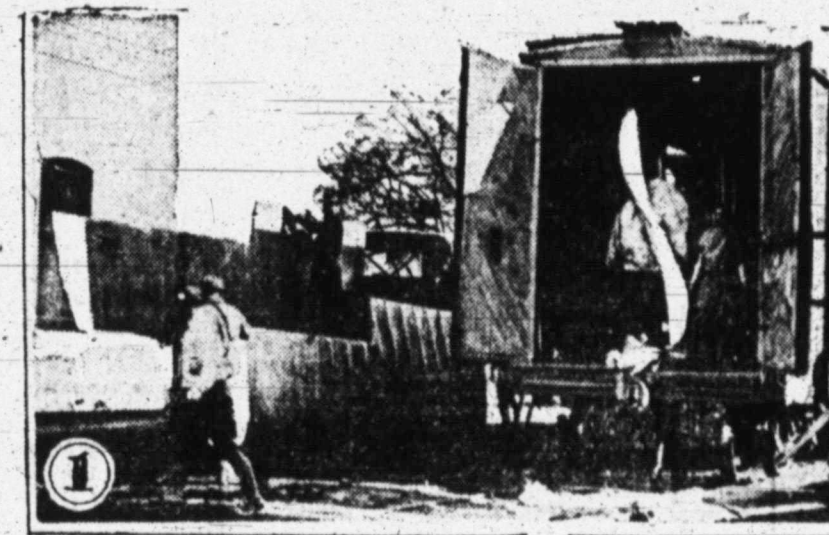
San Antonio, Texas, March 22.—Although it was 60 hours at noon today since General Pershing filed his last message regarding the disposition of cavalry south of Casas Grandes, General Funston professed no anxiety as to the welfare of any of the troops.

The exact whereabouts of General Pershing was unknown at headquarters here. It was considered probable that he was out with one of three detachments, away from his wireless and in no position to report.

Whether the Carranza troops succeeded in holding Villa near Namsuipa or whether the detachment of American cavalry that was riding toward that point encountered him, was not known but General Funston believed it not unlikely that by this time the Americans and Villa's men had met.

Villa was reported to have a superior force but General Funston professed confidence that the smaller force would be able to more than hold its own.

ARMY FLIERS ARE FEW IN NUMBER, BUT ARE EXPECTED TO DO GOOD WORK



Uncle Sam has not been slow in observing the proven value of aeroplanes in war work, as demonstrated in Europe, and sent fliers with the expeditionary forces into Mexico to endeavor to spy on Villa's movements. Some of the preparations for sending the flying machines from San Antonio, Tex., may be seen in the accompanying pictures. No. 1, aeroplane in freight car for transportation; No. 2, motor truck hauling aeroplane; No. 3, taking plane apart for transportation.

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PROBLEM PRESSING

Railroad Situation of More Interest On Border Than Any Other Feature of Situation at Present Time It Is Declared

By Associated Press. El Paso, Tex., March 22.—The Mexican railroad situation again took first place in interest on the border today following a report that the American military authorities were contemplating sending a new column into Mexico from Fabens, a village 50 miles east of here. It was stated that this plan was under consideration as an alternative should General Carranza refuse the request of the American government for the use of the Mexican Northwestern Railroad over which to transport supplies.

BERLIN SAYS RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE UNSUCCESSFUL

By Associated Press. Berlin, March 22.—The Russians have gained no success in their extended offensive against the German lines the war office says today.

NO WORD OF MOVEMENTS IS RECEIVED

EL PASO HEARS NOTHING FROM PERSHING AS TO WHAT IS TRANSPERING IN SECTION WHERE TROOPS STATIONED

RUMORS OF FIGHT

Reports of Clash Between Villa and Carranza Troops Have Not Been Substantiated—No Word from Aero Squadron

NO WORD OF MOVEMENTS IS RECEIVED

By Associated Press. El Paso, Texas, March 22.—The wires between Juarez and Casas Grandes still were cut today, so that for more than 24 hours, General Gavira has been without news of what is transpiring at the scene of the reported fighting between the Carranza and Villa forces near Namsuipa.

On the American side, communication with General Pershing remains quite limited. Nothing definite about operations of the expeditionary force has been received. Travellers stated that the wireless between Columbus and General Pershing's headquarters was working only fitfully. It has been established that the trouble was due to weather conditions and faulty mechanical equipment. First reports asserted that bandits by a few lucky shots had disabled the apparatus at General Pershing's base.

The mystery over what is transpiring between Juarez and Casas Grandes is deeper than ever today. This distance between the two towns is about 130 miles, traversed by the Mexican Northwestern railroad. General Gavira declared early today that he was sending out a repair train under heavy guard to restore the wires and report on what caused their interruption. Early today no report had been received and the Mexican officials profess to be completely ignorant of what occurred.

As time lengthens since Lieutenants H. S. Willis, Jr., and Edgar S. Gorrell disappeared with their aeroplanes into the desert, fears for their safety deepen. The two young officers started their flight from Columbus Sunday. The fact that nothing has since been heard of them in spite of the efforts of military authorities has caused much apprehension.

It is, however, pointed out that in the great waste over which they were flying two men on foot might wander for days without serious harm but without being able to reach a ranch house or other habitation.

AVIATORS FATE STILL UNKNOWN

TWO MEMBERS OF SQUADRON HAVE DISAPPEARED WITH MACHINES

MADE FLIGHT SOUTH

One Was Sent to Scout Country Below Casas Grandes and Has Not Returned

By Associated Press. San Antonio, Tex., March 22.—One of aviators, missing from the squadron that went to join General Pershing's column, descended somewhere south of Casas Grandes, it was learned at Gen. Funston's headquarters today. His name was not given.

Earlier reports indicated that both came down somewhere along the line of communication between the border and Casas Grandes, which is Gen. Pershing's advance base of operations.

Reports today explained that one reached Casas Grandes and was sent south over the country in which the three detachments of cavalry are operating. No details relative to his disappearance were received.

BIG CARTRIDGE SHIPMENT SENT ACROSS AT LAREDO

By Associated Press. Laredo, Tex., March 22.—One hundred thousand cartridges crossed into Mexico last night through this port for the Carranza government, it was announced here today. A squadron of the Third Cavalry will leave here early tomorrow for Fort Ringgold.

ORDERS TROOPS NOT TO OCCUPY CASAS GRANDES

FORMAL PROTEST FROM CARRANZA IS PROMPTLY HEEDED BY STATE DEPARTMENT—SOLDIERS KEEP OUT OF TOWNS

Carranza Answers United States Request by Calling For More Specific Information—Today's Advice Are Generally Optimistic

By Associated Press. Washington, March 20.—General Carranza has formally protested against American troops occupying Casas Grandes in their pursuit of Villa and the American government has received word that the troops have been ordered specifically not to occupy Casas Grandes or any other towns or cities in Mexico.

The general's reply were included in an exchange of notes between Acting Secretary Polk of the state department and Eliseo Arredondo, ambassador-designate to the United States from Mexico. After a conference early today between President Wilson and Mr. Polk, it became known that Mr. Polk, in a note forwarded to Mexico yesterday said instructions had been sent to General Funston to keep his troops away from all towns.

For Use of Railroads. General Carranza today replied to the American government's request for use of Mexican railroad lines for movement of supplies to the punitive expedition. A request for more complete information as to exactly what the war department wants. Gen. Carranza's reply was sent to President Wilson; the information he asks will be furnished.

In urging the use of Mexican railroads for that purpose, it was pointed out to the Carranza government that similar permission was granted Carranza troops on the railroads in the United States last year.

Mr. Polk declared today that the United States had not requested permission to take over any railroads in Mexico, but had merely asked for permission to transport supplies. He denied emphatically reports that the request of the United States was in any sense a demand or an ultimatum.

Carranza's Position. The administration realizes fully the difficulty of Gen. Carranza's position because of feeling in Mexico; for that reason every effort is being made by the state department to disseminate in Mexico the understanding that the United States has no motive of aggression in sending troops across the border. Following out the same policy, the American troops now in Mexico have been instructed to be careful in their dealings with Mexicans generally. All acts which might be construed as offensive to the Mexican population are to be avoided.

Generally, reports from Mexico to Polk were optimistic in character. Mr. Polk denied reports that the government had any reliable information of plots to bring about armed intervention.

Gen. Carranza, it was learned to-day, has been urged by some of his closest advisers to offer a large reward for the apprehension of Villa.

It was understood General Carranza wants information as to the extent to which the United States expects to use the railroads and promises assurances that the line is to be used only for furnishing supplies.

Administration officials realize that Carranza is weary of a different public sentiment in Mexico and that the use of the railroads by American troops, until fully understood, might lead to friction. It is believed Carranza is favorably inclined to the request. His reply was forwarded from Queretaro.

JEWISH COLONY IN SOUTHWEST LIKELY

Special to The Times. Fort Worth, Texas, March 20.—Plans for the conditions of farm life for Jewish immigrants of the Southwest are being fostered by Rabbi Joseph B. Lurie, who is making an effort to secure funds sufficient to carry out the plan.

It is believed the plan would change are the Jewish colonies and synagogues and the hope of Jewish community life in the country to relieve the congestion of the cities. By reversing these conditions it is hoped to bring more Jewish immigrants to the farms of the Southwest.

Associated with Dr. Fox are I. Warsaw and Louis Migel of Waco. They have undertaken to raise an amount of money sufficient to finance their project and will work under the auspices of the B'nai B'rith Society.

COTTON TOTAL IS 11,059,430 BALES

FINAL REPORT ON 1915 CROP IS COMPLETED—SHOWS BIG DECREASE

3,223,803 IN TEXAS

Figures of Nearly Every State Are Far Below Those of Other Recent Years

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 20.—The 1915 cotton crop of the United States aggregated 11,059,430 running bales or 11,833,182 equivalent 500 pound bales, exclusive of linters and counting round as half bales, the census bureau today announced in its final ginning report of the season. The department of agriculture on December 10 last, basing its calculations on reports of its agents throughout the cotton belt, estimated the crop at 11,161,000 equivalent 500 pound bales. Census bureau's final figures of the crop compare with 15,995,840 running bales, or 16,134,930 equivalent 500 pound bales produced in 1914; 13,982,811 running bales or 14,156,486 equivalent 500 pound bales in 1913; and 13,488,539 running bales or 13,765,421 equivalent 500 pound bales in 1912.

The 1914 crop was the record for production, included in the figures are 39,623 bales which ginners estimated would be turned out after the March canvass.

Round bales included numbered 11,176 compared with 57,618 in 1914; 89,962 in 1913 and 83,528 in 1912.

Sea Island bales included numbered 41,927 compared with 81,654 in 1914; 77,563 in 1913 and 73,777 in 1912.

The average gross weight of bales for the crop was 565.6 pounds, compared with 567.2 in 1914, 566.2 in 1913 and 568.9 in 1912.

Ginners operated for the crop numbered 23,146 compared with 24,547 in 1914; 24,749 in 1913 and 25,279 in 1912.

Linter cotton, not included in the total ginning figures, amounted to 89,274 running bales or 880,780 equivalent 500 pound bales, compared with 82,601 running bales or 826,800 equivalent 500 pound bales in 1914; 63,153 running bales or 638,881 equivalent 500 pound bales in 1913 and 60,234 running bales or 609,594 equivalent 500 pound bales in 1912.

Production of States in equivalent 500 pound bales, exclusive of linters with comparison, follows:

Alabama—1915—1,020,208; 1914—1,751,375; 1913—1,496,485; 1912—1,342,275

Arkansas—1915—815,846; 1914—1,016,170; 1913—1,072,846; 1912—792,948

Florida—1915—47,816; 1914—81,255; 1913—58,695; 1912—52,760

Georgia—1915—1,907,310; 1914—2,718,037; 1913—3,316,601; 1912—1,776,546

Louisiana—1915—340,606; 1914—449,458; 1913—443,821; 1912—376,096

Mississippi—1915—953,620; 1914—1,245,535; 1913—1,310,743; 1912—1,046,418

Missouri—1915—47,930; 1914—81,752; 1913—67,105; 1912—55,691

ENGINEERS ARE READY TO SERVE

MEMBERS OF LOCAL BROTHERHOOD ARE READY TO GO TO MEXICO

PERMISSION ASKED

As Soon as Grand Chief Approves Action Will Tender Services to Wilson

From Sunday's Daily.

A number of Wichita Falls railroad engineers are ready to go to Mexico to give their services in connection with the railway operations that may be necessary for the success of the punitive expedition or other military activities that may be required. Former tender of their services to President Wilson awaits the approval of L. E. Stone, Grand Chief Engineer of the B. & O. at Cleveland, Ohio. It is expected that Mr. Stone's approval to the proposal will be received this morning.

The following telegram was sent last night by the Wichita Falls Division:

"L. E. Stone, Grand Chief Engineer, 1116, B. of L. E. Bldg., Cleveland, O. With your approval we will notify President Wilson that Division No. 236 B. of L. E., Wichita Falls, Texas, will furnish him several engineers for service in Mexico if needed."

"J. F. QUILL, Sec. and Treas." Division No. 236 members among its members several engineers who have seen years of service in Mexico and who are familiar with the country and language. Among those who have seen service in Mexico are: J. F. Quill, J. W. Carrithers, C. S. Frillett, T. Wiseman, J. W. Bowersock, J. M. Ashford, W. E. Milligan and others. All have expressed their readiness to go to Mexico for railway service for Uncle Sam if their services should be needed.

WICHITA GUN CLUB HOLDS FIRST SHOOT

Initial Contest Friday Afternoon Is Well Attended—Mediocre Scores Made

From Sunday's Daily.

The first shoot of the recently organized Wichita Gun Club was held Friday afternoon, a large number taking part. No very fancy scores were made, and generally speaking, the performance of the contestants may be classed as mediocre, due to the fact that it has been some time since any of them had done any shooting over a trap. The trap worked nicely and about a score of shooters were on hand.

The next shoot will be held next Friday afternoon at 4:30. The score for the first series of last Friday's shoot is as follows:

Shot at Broke

Merchants' Rating Book Now in Hands of Printer

The rating book for the Retail Merchants' Association, which has been in process of compilation for some time, is now in the hands of the printer and will be ready for distribution the latter part of the month, according to John Thomas, secretary of the organization.

Material for the new book has been gathered with much care and it will be the last word in completeness so far as local credits are concerned.

Kormenok, the magnificent five year old Percheron Stallion, weighing 2175 pounds, owned by the department of animal husbandry of the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, who captured three blue ribbons Monday in the Percheron classes during the Fat Stock Show and who was awarded the title of "Champion of Champions" takes kindly to the dirt, as does Big Ben, the heaviest three year old steer in the world, weighing 3700 pounds and owned by Miller Brothers of the famous 101 Ranch known all over the

GAS DISCOVERY OF IMPORTANCE

RECENT STRIKE IN WILBURGER COUNTY MAY OPEN UP LARGE FIELD

PLACED AT 8,000,000

Scope of New Locations in Field During Week—Several Completions Reported

From Sunday's Daily.

Wilburger county developments furnish by far the most important feature of the past week in local circles, the bringing in of the gas well on Producers No. 97 Waggoner attracting widespread attention. This well, at first reported to be good for about four million feet, is declared in later reports to be making nearer eight million.

The well in itself is of use only as a factor in the fuel problem for the Producers, but the discovery of gas in that section means a great deal. It subsequent developments indicate that there is a gas field of appreciable size in that section, the town of Vernon, about 20 miles from the discovery well, will probably get natural gas and Wichita Falls can look to Wilburger county, perhaps, to supply her needs if, as experts have predicted, the Clay county field plays out within a few years.

There is even the possibility that a field of sufficient size to supply Dallas, Fort Worth and other North Texas cities which are becoming perurbed over the prospect of their gas supply failing, will be developed. An 8,000,000 foot well, if it is really that large, gives excellent promise of a big supply that will probably be uncovered.

Wilburger county has been the cynosure of oil men's eyes for some months, since reports of Producers No. 87 Waggoner began to circulate. There is little doubt that a small well has been developed there, and since that time two additional locations in that vicinity have been made by the Producers, one of them being No. 97 which developed into the gasser. It has been understood that other locations have been made near No. 97 with a view to thoroughly testing that immediate section.

Several New Locations. About a score of new locations were made in the Northwest Texas field during the week, most of these being at Electra, where fifteen new wells were located. Of these the Producers had eight, the Red River one, the Gulf one, the remainder being scattered among local companies. There were four new locations at Burk Burnett, one by the Producers on the Heisterman, No. 8, another by the Producers, Will Thom No. 5, the Magnolia No. 2 Heisterman and the Pierce Oil Company's No. 8 Schulz. One location, Producers No. 55 Byers, was made at Petrolia.

Hope that the well on the Pickle farm north of Burk Burnett, drilled by Urban and associates, would extend the field eastward and nearer to the town of Burk Burnett, are fading fast, and the prospects are admitted not bright. The hole is now about 1300 feet deep, having missed all the sands which run through the Burk Burnett field, and the chances are considered as not favoring any strike there.

On the Snyder well, where production would have extended the field some distance to the northward, the drillers have some trouble with the casing at 1825 feet. The well on the Goetze, by W. W. Silk and associates, which was drilled deeper after work was suspended for a time, has been abandoned, and the casing is being pulled; it went to a depth of 1705 feet.

Recent Completions. No very important completions were recorded last week. At Electra the completions included Producers No. 24 Hogaker, fifteen barrels at 600 feet after a small shot; No. 38 Rickley, 65 barrels at 1600 feet; No. 35 Rickley, 20 barrels at 600 feet; Red River No. 67 Bywaters, 20 barrels at 700 feet.

INCREASE LIKELY IN SCHOOL CENSUS

A substantial increase in both city and county is expected to be shown by the school census which is now nearing completion. It is expected that a school population of about 6700 will be shown when the figures have been compiled for the county.

Last year the city school census showed a total of over 3,000, registering an increase over the preceding year. This year the 5,500 mark may be reached, though this is not yet assured. Increases will be shown in most, if not all, the rural school districts, where various enumerators are now taking the census. Substantial gains at Electra, Iowa Park and Burk Burnett are anticipated as well as in the smaller districts.

Several dry holes were reported at Electra during the week. The Gulf Electra Company's No. 2 Kemp-Newby, just south of town, is dry at 900 feet; their No. 1 made a small well. The Denver-Electra Company's No. 1, 100 feet, has struck salt water at 1100 feet. It had a slight showing in the shallower sands and location nearby has been made for another well. The Hope Oil Company's No. 3 Fisher, in the direction of Fowles, is dry at 600 feet.

Frank Fox of Oklahoma is rigging up for his well on the Markowitz tract in the Burk Burnett field. Mr. Fox is one of the best known oil men in Oklahoma, being a factor in the development of the Gushing field where he still owns considerable acreage and production.

Wood and Broday are drilling their No. 3 Ferguson, close to the 200 foot well which was reported as good for 30 barrels daily. Langford & Statler, near the Chenault oil tract at Burk Burnett is making 75 barrels natural, from the 1700 foot pay; it will probably be shot.

A number of old wells at both Electra and Burk Burnett are to be given the shooting treatment in the near future, with a view to cleaning them out and increasing their production. Plans for shooting a dozen or more wells are under way.

VERNON BASEBALL TEAM VICTORIOUS

From Sunday's Daily.

The local high school team lost to the Vernon high school baseball team in the first game of the season at the city ball park Saturday afternoon. The score was 20 to 2. The game was marked by heavy hitting and loose fielding on both sides. The local boys lost out in the beginning by their bad start, the later tightening of all plays availing but little. Both Vernon and Wichita had two men in the pitcher's box and the batters experienced no difficulty in "finding" them. The Vernon support was stronger.

The attendance was above the average, a large crowd of Vernon students and baseball enthusiasts accompanying the team. While the game went against the local team they expect to give a far better account of themselves and possibly retrieve their loss at the Vernon grounds next Saturday. Coach King states that he has found good material in the team, which is composed principally of new men, who have had little or no experience.

The line-up follows: Vernon—Dellery, short; Sneed 3b; Lisle, 1b; D. Lisle, catcher; Long 2b; Hooper, 1c; Berry, cf; and pitcher; McCreary, rf; Matthews, pitcher; Substitutes, Thompson and Lutz; Coach, Winston.

Wichita Falls—Sinclair, 1b; Gordon Harris, 3b and pitcher; McJellin, cf; Page Trotter, catcher; Whatley, short; Weaver, 2b; Murph, center field; Bob Trotter, lf; and 3b; Patterson, pitcher and lf; substitutes were Urban, C. Miller and T. Patterson; Kink, coach, Minnerly and A. Trotter, umpired, Carrington, score keeper.

WHEAT HOLDING UP WELL, THOUGH DRY

Tom B. Taylor Returns From Trip Through Several Northwest Texas Counties

Tom B. Taylor has returned from a trip of three weeks for the state department of agriculture during which he covered Hardeman, Knox, Ford and Haskell counties. He reports that wheat is holding up well in these counties notwithstanding there has been no rain since the last week in September. The damage from dry weather so far, he reports, has been chiefly to late sown wheat, some fields of which are being plowed up.

The farmers generally he says, have their land broken and in good shape, but are waiting for rain before planting their crops as there is not enough moisture in the surface to germinate the seed and start the plants off with a good growth. Hog cholera, he found, has been stamped out in the counties he visited. Cattle are in good condition and most of the farmers have enough feed on hand to run them a year and a number have enough feed to supply them for two years.

OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE PLANNED HERE IN APRIL

A county conference in connection with the "Older Boys' Movement" which was started several months ago and which has an organization in the high school here, will be held here in April. The following announcement has been received:

"John L. Hunter, state young men's secretary of the Texas Young Men's Christian Association, with headquarters in Dallas, left a few days ago on a trip that will end at Taylor, March 31st, where he will participate in a county conference for Older Boys."

"This conference is an outgrowth of the State Conference which met in Austin, November 26-28 at which time over 400 boys gathered from 15 different points. No delegates under the age of 15 were present. The purpose of these gatherings is to interest at least 2,500 older boys in a movement to raise the standard of ideals, and to this end in a great many places, groups of boys are pushing the program for clean living, clean speaking, clean scholarship and clean athletics. It will be seen at once that such a schedule, when well under way, will hold a multitude of sins against the young Americans. The ideals will refer to class room honesty as especially low."

Mr. Hunter goes to Wichita Falls here in April for a similar conference to the one held at Taylor, these being among the first held in the State, are creating much interest."

J. M. M'FALL BACK FROM AUTO MEETING

Wichitan Chosen Chairman Of New Organization Being Formed By Dealers.

From Monday's Daily. J. M. McFall returned today from Fort Worth, where he attended the meeting of automobile dealers, called for the purpose of forming a state organization. Mr. McFall, who was one of the first dealers in Texas to take steps for a state organization, presided over the meeting as temporary chairman. Committees were named, and Mr. McFall, with the chairman of these committees, was given authority to call another meeting in 30 days when it is expected that permanent organization will be effected.

There is much interest among automobile dealers in the movement, which also has the endorsement of some of the leading manufacturers.

APPROVAL IS GIVEN COURT HOUSE BONDS

Attorney General's Department Finds \$225,000 Issue Was Properly Voted.

From Monday's Daily. County Judge Harris has been advised by the attorney general's department that the \$225,000 court house bond issue for Wichita county has been approved, and the issue has also received the approval of the attorney general's department, which purchased the bonds. As soon as the bonds are received from the printer they will be taken to Austin for registration and will then be delivered to the purchasers.

FIRE INSPECTION NOW BEING MADE

From Monday's Daily. Wichita Falls business district will be inspected this week by Ben F. Smith of Austin, special inspector for the state fire insurance commission who will visit and go over every building. Mr. Smith will make an extensive survey of the fire risk conditions here, looking into such matters as electrical wiring, gas connections, gasoline storage, accumulation of trash and other inflammable matter and other features of insurance inspection.

Mr. Smith began his rounds this morning, accompanied by Fire Chief Seclaire and City Inspector Montgomery. It will probably take all week to visit all the stores and business houses. Mr. Smith will suggest changes where they are found advisable, and his visit is expected to remove a number of conditions that are considered as hazardous.

FINDS FEW ARE INDESPENSABLE

MILITARY SERVICE TRIBUNAL IN ENGLAND SITS ON MANY APPLICATIONS

GIVE MANY EXCUSES

All Sorts of Evasions Are Attempted By Those Wanted for King's Army

By Associated Press.

London (By mail)—Military service tribunals, consisting of anywhere from seven to twenty members, are sitting throughout England hearing applications for exemption from men eligible for the front. Many complaints have begun to go up over the leniency shown by the tribunals to single men who have offered rather fantastic reasons for evading service in the army. Complete exemption has been granted in comparatively few cases, but postponements have been most frequent and the tribunals now are being warned that every single man excused means the earlier calling out of the groups of married men attested under the Derby plan.

There is every indication that it will not be long after April 1 next when the first of the married men will be called to the colors. Thus far the married men in the army have gone only through voluntary enlistment. The compulsory service act does not apply to them as yet, but thousands have attested their readiness to serve when the supply of single men is exhausted.

Many single men, with mothers or sisters dependent upon them, are making the claim that their domestic duties are just as sacred and just as deserving of the nation's consideration as those of the married men. They make the further plea that their family obligations were imposed on them through no act of their own, whereas the married man assumed liability for others through voluntary choice.

"If I am to be called away from the support of my widowed mother and three dependent sisters," said one young clerk, "I will be followed by the thought that they must eventually go to the workhouse, and I am sure that under the circumstances I would not make a very good soldier for the King." The tribunal thought otherwise.

Exemptions are sought upon the theory that the applicant is indispensable to the conduct of the business in which he is engaged. Often the pleas are made by the employer who himself is beyond military age.

"This clerk manages my entire business and is absolutely indispensable," said one employer to the tribunal at Lewisham. "And what do you pay him?" asked the chairman. "Seventeen shillings, six pence a week."

The tribunal held that absolute indispensability was worthy of higher consideration than four dollars a week and the clerk was swept into the army.

One employer appealed for the exemption of an artistic sign painter. "It is such a time of stress as this I think the country can get along with artistic signs," ruled the chairman.

At Liverpool an undertaker claimed he was truly indispensable. The tribunal told him to "R. I. P." for six months. After that he must join the army, where there is much work to be done by those skilled in the burial of the dead.

The Lord Mayor of London, an enthusiastic worker for credits, applied to the conscription tribunal for exemption of a footman employed at the Mansion House. The application said it was in the national interest that Mansion House arrangements for recruiting the public work generally should not be disturbed. Sir T. Veszy Strong, the chairman thought a postponement of one month sufficient to allow the Lord Mayor to make other arrangements.

A widow of Penge obtained a three months' respite for her eligible son on the ground that he was indispensable to the conduct of her small laundry. "He calls for and distributes the laundry," said she, "and does more ironing than any two women."

The tribunals face their greatest difficulty in dealing with the agricultural districts. Some farmers have abandoned to the extent of threatening to abandon their farms entirely if not allowed sufficient help. The tribunals now have adopted the policy of allowing three men to each 100 acres of farm land. In the meantime hundreds of thousands of women are being recruited for farm work.

One young man unsuccessfully sought from a speech of the tribune, Mr. Asquith, in the House of Commons, in seeking exemption on the ground that he was the sole support of a widowed mother. He quoted Mr. Asquith to the effect that the taking away of the sole support of a widow would be monstrous. The application was refused when it was shown there were other relatives with whom the mother might live.

BIRDSHOT FAILS TO KILL THIS HARD HEADED NEGRO

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Tex., March 23.—Nurses and physicians at the city-county hospital are marvelling at the wonderful resisting power of the skull of Scott Perkins, a negro. Two loads of bird shot fired at close range at Perkins' Sunday night failed to penetrate his head. The shots lodged against his skull and did not even knock him down.



Members of the Wichita Gun Club are shown in the photograph above. The club recently held its first shoot, which was well attended. The photograph shows several men in a field, some of whom are likely the members mentioned in the article.

TRANSFERS CASES FROM YOUNG COUNTY

New Fry Charges Go To Archer—Civil Suit Will Be Tried at Henrietta

From Tuesday's Daily. Judge W. N. Bonner came up from Graham last night and will remain here until tomorrow. The case of Young county vs. Fudge et al being a suit on bond growing out of Young county warrants was ordered transferred to Clay county late yesterday by Judge Bonner, after he had examined a number of telegrams at Graham without securing a single qualified juror.

Night sessions of the court have been held at Graham much of the time and the docket has been cleared of a large number of cases. In the case of Buchanan and Willis charged with murder in connection with the killing of F. A. Cates at Jean in Young county the jury yesterday night returned a verdict of acquittal. Cleve Hermalon was found guilty of arson and given a term of five years.

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FELIPE ANGELES SAYS ALL OF MEXICAN FACTORIES ARE HIS ENEMIES

Declares He Is Through With War and Politics—Tells Why Villa Met Downfall

By Associated Press. El Paso, Tex., March 21. Gen. Felipe Angeles, often referred to as the "true patriot of the Mexican revolution," today issued a long and bitter attack on the political cause, has fallen to the status of a hunted bandit.

Gen. Angeles charged that "Villa like Carranza acted to a dictator and that this, and not the battles he lost, caused his friends to forsake him."

The general was the last of Villa's prominent supporters to quit him. He now lives on a modest vegetable and dairy farm four miles beyond the eastern outskirts of El Paso, half mile from the Rio Grande. From his front porch he can look across into Mexican territory which he is at present forbidden to enter.

The Carrancistas, the Villistas, the Zapotecos—all are my enemies, he said. I am not a politician, but I am a man of letters. I am not a politician, but I am a man of letters. I am not a politician, but I am a man of letters.

Gen. Angeles said that he regretted the difficulties into which Villa had fallen. He said he had a warm remembrance of the man as commander in arms and explained he had been willing to support him because Villa had seemed at the time to represent the cause of real democracy. He said he left him only when he found Villa did not understand democracy, although he did for the cause all that he knew how to do.

"Villa gained power because of his wonderful energy and his personal magnetism," said Gen. Angeles. "He had a driving power, also he could be free and generous."

CIVILIANS ASKED TO RETIRE FROM TOWN ON BORDER

By Associated Press. El Paso, Tex., March 21.—The state has been closed to Fabens, border town 30 miles east of El Paso and all American civilians have been requested to leave by American military authorities.

Phone messages received here today by H. D. Comp. Fabens school trustee, Fabens is opposite the Mexican village of Guadalupe. American troops have arrived there and the officers are quartered in the residences of citizens.

CARRANZA-VILLA BATTLE REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

By Associated Press. Washington, March 21.—The war department dispatches today contain no report of fighting between Carranza troops and the Villa band mentioned in last night's border dispatches. A report from Brigadier General Pershing forwarded by Major General Fontaine said that Carranza troops and civilians encountered by the punitive expedition have been friendly.

LOCAL NEGRO IS HEAD OF ABILENE INSTITUTE

By Associated Press. Rev. J. S. Arthur, who recently closed a rather stormy pastorate of the St. John's Baptist Church (negro) of this city, has been elected president of the Abilene Industrial Institute and Home of Mercy located at Abilene. This work, it is stated, pays him a larger salary than he received here. Arthur resigned here about two days ago as a result of considerable discussion among the members of his flock.

HOTEL AT KNOXVILLE DESTROYED BY FIRE

By Associated Press. Knoxville, Tenn., March 21.—Fire which destroyed the Hotel Imperial here late last night was under control today. The hotel was destroyed by falling walls and painfully injured. There were 200 guests in the hotel and while a great many lost all their personal effects no lives were reported lost. The fire, it was said, was caused by lightning striking the top of the elevator shaft.

\$31,000 IN CITY BONDS TAKEN UP

LARGE SUM IS CUT FROM BONDED INDEBTEDNESS THIS MORNING

Will Likely Ask \$40,000 For Street Paving—Sinking Fund Money Is Used

From Tuesday's Daily. Wichita Falls bonded indebtedness was reduced by \$31,000 at a special meeting of the city council this morning when the council decided to cancel the bonds. The bonds were taken up with money from the various sinking funds.

The action of the city council reduces the city's bonded indebtedness to about \$23,000, a small part of which is secured by some of the city's sinking funds. It still draws interest, however.

With this reduction in the city's indebtedness, the council plans to ask for \$40,000 for street paving and it is probable that an election will be called at an early date. Other bonds may be asked for at a later date.

The process by which the bonds were retired today was set forth in a communication from Mayor A. H. Britton to the city council. The bonds were created for the retirement of bonds and an accumulation of money, and this money was used to purchase the bonds which were retired today.

From Tuesday's Daily. In connection with the movement to establish an agricultural and mechanical college in West Texas for which a meeting will be held at Sweetwater April 5 and in which Wichita Falls has been asked to participate, Thomas F. Owen, secretary of the San Angelo Board of City Development writes the Times as follows:

"There possibly has never been a matter of more specific importance than the establishment of an agricultural college in West Texas brought before the people of the western and west central portion of Texas for consideration."

"To answer the following questions conservatively may awaken many to the fact that West Texas must have an agricultural college. It is Texas large enough in area and wealth to have two colleges."

"Do you believe the arid resources of Texas can be better developed by having a college located in the arid section of the state?"

"Hundreds of young men and boys have been forced on account of health to leave the state. They are not going to a low altitude in order to gain an agricultural college education."

From Tuesday's Daily. San Antonio, secretary of the State Good Roads Association, will be in Wichita Falls the latter part of this month on a tour of the Meridian road. The following announcement has been received from D. E. Colp, secretary of the Texas Good Roads Association, and party hope to complete the last lap of the Meridian road in this state Monday, March 27. Even to the unservant this work of digging and giving publicity to the Meridian road will be a great help.

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UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATES FROM OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

By Associated Press. Enid, Okla., March 20.—Charles Swindell of Woodward and P. C. Simons of Enid were chosen here today as delegates to the national republican convention by the eighth congressional district. They were uninstructed.

GERMANS DISLIKE CARDINAL'S LETTER

Belgian Prelate's Lenten Advice Brings Rebuke From Governor—General Blessing

By Associated Press. London, March 20.—Governor General Von Bissing, according to a Brussels telegram, has addressed a letter to Cardinal Mercier regarding the latter's Lenten pastoral letter which denounces Amsterdam correspondent.

The general's letter says in part: "Your enunciation in pastoral letters indulges in political statements against which I decidedly protest. It is quite inexcusable that your enunciation should raise unjustified hopes regarding the issue of the war."

In these circumstances I shall henceforth prosecute any political activity and any levelling of hostilities against the authority of the occupying power, which authority is legitimate according to international law."

ONION SHIPPING SEASON TO START IN TWO WEEKS

By Associated Press. Laredo, March 20.—Placing the Laredo country on a firm agricultural basis is due largely, it is said by local authorities, to the Bermuda onion industry. The growth of this industry has been one of the greatest factors in the development of this section.

The shipping season will start in about two weeks, and will reach its height about April 15. About 2500 carloads of onions are shipped during the season, although for some years the total has been considerably less and others more.

SUNDAY MOVIE CAMPAIGN WAGED IN FORT WORTH

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Tex., March 20.—A vigorous campaign is being waged by both the proponents and opponents of Sunday movie exhibition on the subject being set for April 1. Yesterday the picture shows were open free to the public, and all were thronged to their capacity throughout the day. At the churches, various ministers pleaded for defeat of the ordinance, while at the movies, arguments for Sunday shows were flung upon the screen between the reels. Impartial observers assert that unless there is a marked change in sentiment between now and the date of the election, the ordinance permitting Sunday movies will be approved by a large majority.

COUNTERFEITING PLANT IN SAN FRANCISCO SEIZED

By Associated Press. San Francisco, March 20.—The arrest of four men, two in San Francisco and two in Seattle and the seizure here of a complete plant for the manufacture of \$5 federal reserve bills marked the termination, secret service officials said today, of a long search for dangerous counterfeiters circulated along the Pacific coast.

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SPORT SUITS OF ALL KINDS ARE OFFERED FOR WARM WEATHER WEAR

New York, March 18.—If all predictions prove true the coming summer should be a most economical one for the family with daughters. Fashion says "Sport clothes from dawn till dusk, and after dark, as simple as an elaborate evening frock, are the fancy demands." Besides being decidedly practical and money saving this regime should be comforting and comfortable to a degree, just stop for a moment and consider how many hurried moments will be saved, and how many times one will be spared that eternal question, "What shall I wear today?" A good supply of smart linen-blouses, a sport skirt or two, with a chic sport coat, and one wardrobe troubles are solved during each hour; after it is a simple matter to select a dainty dance or dinner dress of net, or one of the exquisite summer fabrics now in fashion and do it in perfect ease.

One must wonder at the sudden enthusiasm for out-of-door sports being shown by the American girl this season. There are any number of attractive frocks being made now, and I am quite sure they will be worn quite as much as in seasons past, more perhaps, as they are more fascinating than for many a year. This is another practical and economical notion.



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LEGALISM IN THE UNITED STATES.

In his latest letter on the administration of justice in the United States, Mr. J. S. Cullinan suggests that the might prove beneficial if the lawyers themselves should be subjected to some degree of public regulation.

Business men of Mr. Cullinan's caliber have long been noting the increasing intricacy and expense of the administration of justice in every State of the Union the citizen is finding the "regulating" spirit growing, which means a corresponding decline in the freedom of initiative and effort.

There is no doubt that the amazing multiplication of statutes, courts and litigants is due largely to the lawyers. Even high-minded barristers recognize an atrophying process in the ethics that was once the pride and glory of the profession.

But the lawyers are not entirely to blame. We have passed through an age in which it seemed to be a common impulse to enact laws to meet every condition which may have vexed him, and the countless "welfare" statutes which have been enacted are due largely to the thoughtless but into his head by the men who sought office and promised all the good things of life by statute.

So it happens we now live in a time when no man in business can move in any direction without legal counsel, and even when he moves he is almost certain to move into litigation, and out of the litigation comes the sustenance of an ever-increasing army of lawyers.

It is hardly possible, however, for professional reform to come out of regulation and publicity. If it comes it will come of a far reaching insistence upon a strict observance of professional ethics. We have laws already for the regulation of the practice of law, but the State has its statute against barratry, but how often is this statute invoked to punish the sharp practice that are common in every courthouse?

But the troubles of legalism, as Mr. Cullinan terms it, would still exist even if the statute against barratry were mercilessly enforced, so long as our legislatures, dominated too frequently by demagogues, enact such worthless laws. Our present almost universal consent to serve in the legislature, and when they do they are helpless against the selfishly proposed demagogues who court popularity by proposing such laws and unnecessary enactments in the hope of convincing the ignorant that they are true friends of the people.

No doubt there are many instances where lawyer-legislators propose statutes with a view to increasing litigation or improving situations for clients, but as a general rule the lawyer-legislator proposes stringent and drastic enactments more as reformers and politicians than as legislators. We must first get the justice out of the laws before we can look for a marked elevation of professional ideals.

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The predatory spirit is difficult to conquer and the love of ease and luxury instigate and seduce the rank and file. If there be a way to decriminalize the legal profession, it certainly ought to be done. We must look for genuine reform in the development of the hearts, minds and souls of the people of a love of righteousness and justice.—Houston Post.

THE NAVY AND MEXICO.

Although Mexico has no navy, it would appear that the United States is not prepared properly to meet conditions that might develop on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts in case of intervention or of grave disturbance in Mexico today. It is reported that there are not enough ships or gunboats in commission in the Pacific fleet to guard the interests of Americans or foreigners in all the ports, part of the Americans who still remain in Mexico that their lives may be endangered in the near future.

been sufficient enlisted men in the navy to man the reserve battleships and cruisers lying idle at the docks of the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Duty on the Mexican coast at that time would have served to put the reserve ships in good trim for service in the second line of the nation's defense. It would have been a common sense policy, but it was completely forbidden by the inexcusable neglect to provide men enough properly to man the ships of the navy and to prepare for an emergency of war even with a nation that has no navy whatever.

That such a condition could exist in this country is sufficient evidence that we have no adequate, well-digested policy, and that the Navy Department is not organized to carry out such policy or to bring forcibly to the attention of Congress the necessity for the appropriations without which our navy will be inefficient and unprepared to defend this country upon the seas.—New York Times.

The ice man and the electric fan man have supplanted the gas man and the plumber in public demand. It is freely predicted that things will begin to happen when a certain naturalist returns from the West Indies. It is said that this naturalist has been studying how to change a Bull Moose into an Elephant without the Bull Moose knowing what is happening to it.

Since the breach in the entente cordial between Governor Ferguson and former Governor O. B. Colquitt at the Buffalo Club banquet at Houston there has been considerable conjecture as to whom Governor Ferguson would support for senator in the coming primary. The Waco Times-Herald answers the question with the name of Hon. R. L. Henry. It says that Governor Ferguson nominated Mr. Henry at the Wilson-Henry banquet in Waco several months ago.

BACK TO THE CONSTITUTION!

The Wichita Times seems to think that this paper is inconsistent in upholding Colquitt and criticizing Wilson as to the Mexican situation. We are fearful that the Times and others have allowed themselves to become confused. It is the business of the federal government to give protection to Texas from foreign invasion; the Constitution so prescribes. The proper protection was not given to Texas, and it became necessary for Governor Colquitt to strengthen the Ranger force along the border and also in a grave emergency to call out the state militia. The Times-Herald gave hearty approval to the Republican position in thus performing a task that rightly belonged to the federal government.

As to the invasion of Mexico, this much seems clear from the precedents: Our people can pursue the "hot trail" in other words, in pursuit of a manifest destiny, the boundary line is obliterated if the pursuers so will. We had an illustration of this in the pursuit of Villa after his recent raid on Columbus.

But the pursuers returned to this side and then what? The Washington government announced that Villa must be taken, "dead or alive." That involved the formal invasion of Mexico soil by the United States army. It was what? It was clearly an act of war, for it was to be undertaken whether Carranza consented or not. Besides, Carranza is without authority to grant such permission, assuming that there is a republican form of government in Mexico.

Being an act of war, and history will so record it, it was an usurpation of authority on the part of the executive department of the government. For the Constitution clearly and unmistakably confers this authority on the Congress.

It may be a little matter, but so also was the cloud in Elijah's day, no larger than a man's hand. The whole purpose in having a constitution is to put restraints on those charged with administering the affairs of the government. The Constitution is not legislation for the people, but the people's leash on the government. And the government is divided into three separate and distinct divisions, and no one of these can trespass on the duties assigned to the other without doing violence to the whole structure. It was just because the abolitionists, cried out, "to be with the Constitution," that we had the great civil war.

George Bernard Shaw holds that Franz Josef precipitated this great war. It was to obviate such a catastrophe that the framers of our government built a wall beyond which the chief executive could not go. But here of recent years the man in the White House has been exercising kingly prerogatives. The army and the navy have been operating in foreign lands on executive order. This sort of thing, mind you, running back for twenty-five or thirty years, and possibly longer. As long as things go well the people say nothing. But one of these days a Franz Josef may occupy the White House and plunge the whole world into war.

The Constitution is our safety; to slight it, no matter how imperative seems the necessity, is to invite disaster on the whole land, either immediate or somewhere down the line.—Waco Times-Herald.

Wichita Falls is trying to secure a Carnegie library. Sherman has one, and it is one of the most popular places in the city, and is doing a great deal of good. Every city that can possibly support one should have a public library.—Sherman Democrat.

Wichita Falls for one of Mr. Carnegie's library.

There appears to be no foundation to the report that the retirement of Admiral Von Tirpitz, the German naval commander, was caused by public dissatisfaction in Germany with the latest phase of the German sub-marine policy, and there is more reason to credit the rumor that his retirement grew out of the failure of the government to support his plan to attack the British naval forces with the German fleet. While Americans want to believe, and many do believe, that the majority of Germans secretly deplore the sinking of the Lusitania and the sinking of other passenger ships, reports indicate that the announced plan of the German naval forces to torpedo armed merchantmen without warning, has met with almost unanimous public approval in Germany and that there is a desire to go even further in the submarine campaign than the government has approved. In this connection it must be remembered that the torpedoing of armed merchantmen is a plausible procedure until precedent and international law are examined, and the rule heretofore laid down by Germany herself are examined. With the strict censorship that has prevailed in Germany by which all discussion contrary to the government's plans is ruled out, only one side of the matter has been presented to the German people and it is not to be wondered that they support the government's submarine plans, and expressions in the newspapers indicate they are being prepared for even stronger measures. If Admiral Von Tirpitz' retirement results from the refusal of the government to carry out his submarine campaign against merchantmen, it appears more likely the government has failed to support him for diplomatic reasons rather than that there has been lack of public support to Von Tirpitz' measures.

Despite grumbling and dissatisfaction here and there the great mass of the American people are patriotic and are just as ready to make sacrifices for their country as the people of any other country or nation. An instance of this is the offer to President Wilson by the Wichita Falls Division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to send several of its members into Mexico to run trains over the Mexican railroads in connection with the American expedition in that country. Here we see men employed at good pay in civil pursuits ready to serve their country in work that is hazardous, and making the offer those men were prompted by patriotism and the belief that they could be of service to their country on account of their knowledge of the railways and conditions in Mexico. While it is contended that only those who have had railway service in Mexico shall go, doubtless any member of the Brotherhood is ready to heed the call if his country should need him.

The wets and the dries have broken nearly even in the more important local option campaigns in the last twelve months. The wets carried Falls and Wichita counties by greatly increased majorities. The dries won in Bell and Nueces counties which were wet. They also carried Bowie county by a greatly increased majority. The advantage to either side, if any, appears to be with the dries.

AN ECHO OF THE BUFFALO CLUB BANQUET

At Fort Worth Monday, Governor Ferguson said: "As a loyal American I could not sit silent and hear even a former governor of Texas indulge in quibbling criticisms of President Wilson at a time when he is facing a crisis such as that presented by the present Mexican situation. This is a time to differentiate between loyal and disloyal Americans. I think it is about time we decided whether the Democracy of Texas is going to lead an insurgent movement against its President or give him the loyal support he deserves."

There are many who differ with Governor Ferguson in some of his views and official acts, but it cannot be charged that he has failed or refused to meet an issue. It is to be regretted that the full details of the incident at the Buffalo Club dinner at Houston last Saturday night have not been made public. Enough is known, however, that Governor Ferguson met the challenge implied by the former governor with a vigorous defense and thereby gained many friends.

A dispatch from Columbus, New Mexico, says that a wireless has been received from Colonel Slocum with one of the columns of American troops seeking the bandits in Mexico that he

personally "will give \$50,000 reward to the man who captures Villa, dead or alive." The message contained no details but the reward is supposed to be open to all.—With American and Carranza forces in pursuit it is believed certain that Villa will scatter his band and seek refuge in the desert mountains. There he will hide, making forays against the troops that pursue him and against the civilians of that section. His apprehension will be difficult but the prize of \$50,000 will tempt adventurous and resourceful spirits to attempt his death or capture. As long as he was surrounded by a large band of his followers and fellow-brigands his assassination or capture was a feat which the most adventurous would not attempt. Now, if his band breaks into small groups, greater opportunities will be offered for his undoing. This may come from the hand of one of his fellow-felons.

Anyway the dry, warm weather has, it is believed, eliminated the greenbug menace. There may be nothing in a name but those folks at Abilene who organized the "Hunch Owl Company" evidently believe otherwise.

The country recognized Lindley M. Garrison as a truly big man in President Wilson's cabinet. There was universal regret when he resigned his portfolio as secretary of war. If Mr. Garrison was in the least piqued he gave no indication of his feelings and refused absolutely to make any statement or speeches in support of his plans for preparedness in opposition to any other plan that might be acceptable to congress and to the president. A few days ago when it was decided to send American troops into Mexico in pursuit of Villa, Mr. Garrison came to Washington, pulled off his coat and gave his aid to the new war secretary. The administration is indebted to Mr. Garrison, so is the whole country.

When we read some of the rumors that have already been printed about the American punitive expedition into Mexico we are glad that we received our news through the Associated Press, which demands accuracy first in its reports. None of the wild rumors that have appeared in the papers about the expedition have been sent out by the Associated Press and our readers can be certain that reasonable efforts have been made to verify every Associated Press dispatch that appears in the Times. Of course, some rumors that are rumors will be sent out and printed but when these are rumors it will be so stated. Some other news services which apparently do not have the organization to cover the news fully and accurately are sending out mere rumors which their papers must give their readers in the place of actual news.

Perhaps you have noticed the soft, hazy and the rough uneven texture of the paper on which the Times brings the news of the day to you. This is the kind of paper you may expect to get for the next few months or longer. It's the best we can get now and we ought to be satisfied with it, for if reports that are now coming are true, many newspaper publishers are experiencing difficulty in getting paper of any kind or quality. A paper salesman here yesterday received a telegram from his house at Dallas advancing the price of news print to 4.0, B. Dallas to four cents a pound. This is a jump of more than 25 per cent at one time. It is now practically impossible to contract at any specified price for paper in carload lots. The Times has a contract for a paper supply that ought to carry it into midsummer. After that it will face the uncertainty and the extremely high prices that many other papers are now facing.

The striking of a strong gas flow in a well on the Waggoner Ranch 10 miles south of Vernon is news of considerable importance to Wichita Falls. We have been told by government experts that we can expect the supply from the Petrolia field to begin to diminish in a few years. They it will become necessary for Wichita Falls to look elsewhere for at least a part of her natural gas supply. It is reported that the flow from this well is strong, indicating a considerable supply. The same experts who predicted a diminution in the Petrolia supply also said that the structural formations and other geological conditions were favorable to the existence of other gas domes at other points in this section the discovery of gas in Wilbarger county bears out this theory. Probably the gas from the Waggoner ranch will not be available for Wichita Falls. The next dome discovered may be located so that Wichita Falls gas men and capitalists may get possession of it and thereby insure an abundant gas supply to Wichita Falls for many years to come.

The Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Co. has set a patriotic example for other large corporations in the Southwest. It has announced that it will give vacations with full pay to its

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employees who are members of the National Guard and militia organizations to attend their annual encampments.

The reports of destructive fires at Paris, McKinney and Hobart yesterday will serve to direct attention to fire hazards. One fire hazard of which Wichitans should be very careful these March days is that created by burning trash out of doors. The utmost precaution should be used and no one with a sense of the danger from such a source will alight a fire out of doors near any building or material likely to catch on fire.

Army recruiting has picked up considerably since the Mexican situation has become menacing. When there is prospect that the armed forces of the country will be needed in active service this is always so. It is the prospect of their service years spent in inaction or the routine of camp and barracks life that the enlisted man dreads. The guilt between the private and the officer is one reason for this. It is as distinct as the caste system of India. In democratic America there is no good reason why this should be so. It is important that the armed forces of the country be increased as a means of national defense. It is perhaps just as important that the army be reformed from within.

A method of refining that will separate a larger amount of gasoline from the crude oil and the invention and marketing of motors that will use gasoline of low gravity are problems that the increasing use of gasoline and the failure to secure a corresponding increase in the production of crude oil are demanding. The first is believed to have been met by the Wells process of refining which was first put into actual commercial use in the Avia refinery in Jack county. The merits of this process have been proven in tests made with a number of different crudes and the results have been so satisfactory that a number of other refiners are adopting the system. It has already been found by a number of automobile owners that they can use gasoline of lower test than they thought possible a year ago. Unless some unexpected discovery of another new oil field that will equal the Oklahoma fields is made it is rather to improved processes of refining and the making of motors that will use a lower grade of gasoline that relief from excessive prices for gasoline must come.

LEAVENWORTH TROOPS ENTRAIN FOR BORDER

By Associated Press. Leavenworth, Kan., March 22.—The second squadron of the Fifth Cavalry entrained this morning for the Mexican border.

TROOPS AT MERCEDES ARE ORDERED TO BROWNVILLE

By Associated Press. Brownsville, Tex., March 22.—Battery D, Fourth Field Artillery which has been on duty near Mercedes since last August today prepared for a 40 mile march to Fort Brown in response to orders from Gen. Funston. It is expected to arrive here Thursday night.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN NOTABLE CASE INSPECTOR BEGINS DUTIES ON APRIL 1

Reversal of Yantis \$20,000 Verdict For Damages Means New Trial of Hard Fought Suit

The reversal recently by the court of the \$20,000 verdict in the case of Dr. S. T. Traylor vs. the Fort Worth & Denver in which Dr. Yantis had obtained a verdict for \$20,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been received when he fell from the platform of a passenger car is another chapter in one of the most interesting legal battles ever fought in the courts of this country. The amount sued for by Dr. Yantis, \$20,000, made the case an exceptional one, and there were many interesting features in the case.

Dr. Yantis is represented in this case by Fitzgerald & Cox, T. R. Boone and A. A. Hughes of this city and by H. F. Weldon of Bowie; the railroad was represented by Carrigan, Montgomery & Brittain of this city and Judge J. H. Darwise, Jr., of Fort Worth. The case was tried before Judge Nicholson in the 78th district court.

The accident which resulted in the suit occurred on a trip to Electric, he falling to the brick platform of the Union Station as the result, it was alleged of slipping on a banana peel on the car's platform. His petition alleged that permanent injuries were sustained and Dr. Yantis attended the trial of the case on a stretcher. Evidence in an effort to show that the injuries of the plaintiff were feigned was introduced in the case, and there were many other interesting features; a verdict for \$29,000 was returned by the jury.

The higher court reversed the case on several grounds, some of which applied to the charge of the court, and others to the admissibility of certain evidence. A portion of the court's charge relating to negligence was considered grounds for reversal. The higher court holding that the evidence did not authorize the submission of it, that portion of the charge dealt particularly with the failure of the railroad company to have an attendant at the door to assist passengers to alight; several authorities were cited on this point, and were reviewed by the court, which says in the opinion by Judge Connor: "We know of no case which goes so far as to hold that where the passenger is an adult male in full health and the platform car and steps are clear of obstructions and without defect and where as shown in this case, the distance from the lower step to the platform is but eighteen inches that it is incumbent upon the carrier to have an attendant." The higher court also holds that the mere fact that the door was left open could not have been a cause of the injuries.

The question of whether or not there was a banana peel on the car platform was one of the main issues in the case, and exclusion of some of the testimony relative to it also contributed to the reversal of the case. Failure of the court to admit testimony to impeach a witness who had testified to the presence of the banana peel was held to be error. An experiment was conducted by the defendant with a banana peel and a rubber mat to ascertain if any stain would be left upon the mat after a person had slipped on the peel. This experiment was conducted by T. P. Hickman when the case was tried, but evidence regarding it was not admitted; the high court holds that such evidence cannot be considered irrelevant and immaterial. A number of other issues were raised in the appeal in the case but the higher court did not go at length into most of them. It is considered likely that the second trial of the case will be held at this trial of the 78th court.

Dr. S. T. Traylor Leaves On Trip to Study Methods Practiced in Other Texas Cities

Dr. J. T. Traylor, who last week was appointed city pure food and milk inspector, left last night for Dallas, San Antonio and other Texas cities where he will visit the inspection departments of the municipal governments and make a study of methods practiced by the officials in those places. Dr. Traylor will assume his duties as inspector here on April 1 and he is already planning his work to which he will devote practically his full time.

J. A. KEMP PLANNING TO ENLARGE DAIRY

Will Double Present Equipment and Herd—Has Found Venture Successful

J. A. Kemp, who less than a year ago entered the dairying business with a view to introducing high grade dairy cattle in Northwest Texas, has found the venture so successful that he is already planning his work to which he will devote practically his full time. Some of Mr. Kemp's friends were quite skeptical when he embarked on the dairying business and the fate of the usual "city farmer" was predicted for him. The venture has proven thoroughly successful so far, and the demand for the milk, Mr. Kemp says, has been such that he reached the decision to double his herd.

PULMOTOR USED TO SAVE BABY'S LIFE

Child Falls Into Tub of Water and is Nearly Drowned—Now Out of Danger

Prompt action by the pulmotor probably saved the life this morning of George Neal Williams, the one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Williams of 1906 Seventh street. The little one, while crawling around the back yard of the Williams home, tumbled into a tub full of water and was pulled out a short time later with its lungs full of water. Mrs. Williams and neighbor Mrs. Edwards, saw the child fall into the tub and were on the scene a few seconds later, but the child had taken so much of the water into its lungs that it was nearly dead. E. G. Hirt's pulmotor was promptly summoned and was rushed to the scene and put into immediate action, with the result that after an hour later the little one was out of danger, though quite ill and sore from its unpleasant experience. That death did not result is probably due to the fact that the pulmotor was used quickly. The grand jury continued at work today, examining many witnesses. No indictments have been returned since the jury reconvened on Monday.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

At the Close of Business March 7th, 1916, As Made to the Comptroller of Currency

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$1,422,709.44	Capital Stock	\$ 250,000.00
U. S. Bonds at Par	251,000.00	Surplus and Profits	192,948.71
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	12,750.00	Currency in Circulation	244,800.00
Other Stocks and Bonds	60,051.44	Bills Payable	50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	23,500.00	Notes with Federal Bank	47,000.91
Real Estate	8,214.13	Deposits	1,636,372.36
Cash in Bank	\$118,470.92		
Cash with U. S. Treasury	12,500.00		
Cash with Other Banks	511,626.05		
Total	\$2,421,121.98	Total	\$2,421,121.98

We take pleasure in calling your attention to this strong and conservative statement. We keep in mind at all times the general welfare of the community, and particularly of our clients; and are always found at the head of the procession in any move for the advancement or building of the community.

The success and growth of this institution, we believe, demonstrates the soundness of the theory. "The good of one is the good of all."

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PARIS, TEXAS, FIRE SWEEP TUESDAY

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proprietors who wish to do their early shopping by long distance. It was planned to have large quantities of bread and other necessities concentrated at Dallas, Fort Worth, Bonham, Greenville and other cities to be sent here on special trains.

There was apparent feeling of resentment among some citizens in the matter of asking for outside aid. In spite of the calamity and the instantaneous cutting off of food supplies, the bulk of Paris residents felt that they could depend on their own resources for caring for themselves.

Sleep in Open Air.

Two-thirds of the town has been laid in ruins. The remaining buildings were the refuge early today of those whose homes had been swept away. Such as remained of the city's public buildings were crowded with women and children until daybreak, railroad stations, a few stores and open the open air became sleeping places for those whose regular routine had been shattered.

But few of the male population slept last night. Most of the men worked trying to stop the flames. Work of clearing the streets by an organized force under the direction of the mayor was started about eight o'clock. Although the task seemed almost impossible, men and laboring men willingly joined in the squads which made good progress in ridding the streets of charred timbers and crumbling brick walls.

Not Enough Food.

Volunteer workers from other cities were gladly given places in the brigade. The food situation was seriously menaced today by the arrival of hundreds of sightseers from towns nearby who were attracted to Paris by the bright glow in the heavens last night and which could be seen 20 to 30 miles away. Railroad communication is unhampered. Trains arriving today brought food and clothing but according to those in charge of the relief committees not enough to supply the thousands of stricken people.

Started in Warehouse.

The fire started at 5:30 o'clock in a storage warehouse belonging to S. J. Long at the foot of South Eighteenth street, adjoining the Texas & Pacific track. The wind at the time was blowing almost a gale and drove the flames so fiercely that they were soon beyond control. The wind was from the south west to the northwest and in less time than two hours a desolate waste was created extending in width from Eighteenth to Twenty-fifth street and from half way up from the Texas & Pacific depot to the square, including many costly dwellings and the Episcopal, Congregational and First Baptist Churches. The Sibley Apartment House, the Belford Flats, a four-story building erected a year ago; the new six-story Gibraltar Hotel, the Merrick Hotel and many other structures.

While the fire was burning from the south part of town another fire broke in the northeast section and burned toward the business section until the two fires met, destroying the Federal Building, and the new \$100,000 postoffice building, the Morgan Hotel and other business structures.

Soon after the fire started it was easily apparent that on account of the wind blowing almost a gale it would be impossible for the department-unaided to check it. Dallas, Sherman, Greenville and other points were called on by Mayor McCauston for help. Bonham and Hugo, Ok., were the first to respond, but the water service was crippled. The supply is drawn from a storage lake six miles west of town and is pumped by electricity from the plant of the Texas Power and Light Company. The light company's plant was consumed, which cut off the electric motor power, and the telephone lines being out of commission, the engineer at the lake could not be communicated with to start the emergency pumps. The Central Fire Station was burned up, together with most of the hose.

The area of the fire was of such wide extent that some people downtown were cut off from their homes, like being waterbound, and the telephones being out of commission, they were unable to communicate with their families to ascertain whether their homes were still standing. Some people lost both their business houses and their dwellings. The courthouse and jail were seriously threatened and the prisoners were all chained together and were taken to a vacant lot on North Eighteenth street, where they were kept guarded.

DALLAS SENDS SPECIAL TRAIN WITH PROVISIONS

By Associated Press. Dallas, Texas, March 22.—Loaded with provisions, a special train left here today for Paris. Wholesale grocers responded to the appeal of Mayor Lindsay and thousands of pounds of food stuffs were placed aboard the train. 10,000 loaves of bread were ordered baked and will be sent to Paris early this afternoon.

RELIEF COMMITTEE IS FORMED AT TEXARKANA

By Associated Press. Texarkana, March 22.—A relief committee in charge of tents and food left here early today for Paris. A citizen's committee is collecting clothing to be sent to the fire-swept city later today.

PARIS ONCE BEFORE SWEEP BY FLAMES

Fire Chief McClure Recalls Occasion—Many Wichitans Have Relatives There

Paris was once before swept by a disastrous fire. That was in 1876. Fire Chief Joe McClure of this city who then lived in Paris, remembers the fire well. Three sides of the town were burned and the loss was comparatively as great as in the fire yesterday and last night.

Mr. McClure has a number of relatives living in Paris but has not learned what their losses were in the fire. He said he is coming from the south part of town another fire broke in the northeast section and burned toward the business section until the two fires met, destroying the Federal Building, and the new \$100,000 postoffice building, the Morgan Hotel and other business structures.

Northwestern Compress, is another Wichitan who formerly lived in Paris. Mr. Warren still has property in Paris and is doubtless a loser in the fire.

A. W. McCoy, formerly lessee and manager of the Westland hotel, is in Paris being the lessee of the new Gibraltar hotel there, one of the best in the State. It has not been definitely learned whether this hotel was burned or not. It is not listed among the buildings burned and there is hope that it escaped destruction.

MUCH SPEED SHOWN

Infantry as Well as Cavalry Makes Good Time—Body of Mexican Ranchman is Found

Classified Ads

FOR SALE—200 acres of land in the heart of Moran oil field. Over 200 barrel production. Address Box 352, Cisco, Texas. 35-41p

Corn For Sale.

Half mile west of Jolly, 65c per bushel. For further information call on J. A. Loyd. 37-3tc

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FOR SALE—320 acres well improved farm in Archer county, 2 1/2 miles from town and railway depot, half in cultivation and balance all good tillable land. Holiday Creek runs through this place. Five-room house, barn, shed, tanks and cistern, church and school close by. \$22.00 per acre will buy it and crop thrown in. 50 acres wheat, 50 acres oats and will be 51 acres in cotton and row-stuff. 211 acres farm in Clay county, seven miles from Wichita Falls, 200 acres in cultivation, balance smooth land, with good Mesquite grass. Only one mile to railway station. Obligated to sell account non-resident heirs. Can give good title and easy terms. A bargain. 785 acres One Mesquite land in Archer county, 125 acres in cultivation, 500 acres extra good, smooth land in valley, very fine Mesquite grass, plenty of water, shelter and shade. Less than two miles to railway station; small cash payment balance to suit. Call on or write Fred T. Couper, 205 First National Bank Bldg., Wichita, Falls, Texas. 54-3t-wtc

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FOLLOWING LINE OF TROOPS' TRAIL

WELL DEFINED HIGHWAY MARKS ROUTE TAKEN BY FORCES INTO MEXICO

MUCH SPEED SHOWN

Infantry as Well as Cavalry Makes Good Time—Body of Mexican Ranchman is Found

By Associated Press. On the 22nd of March Army in Mexico, March 22.—(By courier to Columbus, N. M.) The trail along which Pancho Villa retreated from Columbus less than two weeks ago today is a broad well worn highway visible for some points for miles as it winds over and along the hills in northern Chihuahua. The road is an evidence of the efficiency of the American army which in a week's time has converted the trail across a semi desert into a military road, the main artery for supplies to Gen. Pershing's punitive column.

This new road is not an ideal highway, but it serves the purpose. The big gray automobile trucks have cut ruts so deep in the sand and gravel that at some places there is no longer clearance for axles and parallel roads have been laid out alongside the old trail. Marching on riding, the troops find much of the road uncomfortable for travel, because the mountain winds drive the men's face with a sting as sharp as winter sleet.

The body of H. J. McKinney, the American ranchman killed by Villa on the Mexican side of the border the night before the Columbus raid has been found by American troops. It was near Boca Grande. McKinney had been hanged and repeatedly stabbed.

The celebrated ride of the American cavalrymen, 110 miles in 42 hours marching time was heralded here throughout the United States. The body of the infantry following the cavalry went unnoticed. One command carrying full infantry equipment marched 25 miles in about eight hours. This was over rocky roads covered with volcanic stone or else in places where the dust drifted over them like a heavy fog.

San Antonio, Texas, March 22.—The American government's punitive expedition into Mexico to capture the bandit Villa has caused Mexicans of all shades of political opinion, now refugees in San Antonio, to tender their services to the Carranza government.

Mexicans who have been Huertistas, Vasquistas, Porfiristas, Reyistas, Cientificos, Gutierrezistas, Felicistas and the remainder of the "istas" have called on Consul General Teodoro B. Beltran here during the past ten days to "make peace" with General Carranza. Consul Beltran is understood to have told them he would place their propositions before the "first chief."

ATTACK ON LEFT WING AT VERDUN SEEMS CHECKED

NO INFANTRY OPERATIONS ARE MENTIONED IN REPORTS OF TODAY'S FIGHTING, BUT ARTILLERY ACTIVITY PROCEEDING

EXPECT NEW EFFORT

Russian Warships Are Busy in Black Sea and Sinking of Big German Steamer and Other Craft Reported Today

By Associated Press. Verdun, March 22.—The battle for Verdun now well in its fourth week continues with intensity, but at the present the infantry is held in leash, while the big guns prepare for further assaults.

The powerful German thrust west of the Meuse which developed early this week halted when it reached the southern edge of Avocourt wood, but the activity of the German artillery in this sector, which Paris reports today particularly violent, indicates that the German intention probably is to make further determined attempts to advance this important flank operation. Today the flames of the situation on the eastern bank of the Meuse is unchaned but here the artillery fire continues in intense, particularly near Vaux and Jamoulaye.

Russian warships are reported active in the Black Sea where the 1400-ton German steamer Esmeranza said to be loaded with food stuffs has been sunk off the Roumanian coast, according to advices from Bucharest. Sinking of a score of sailing vessels is reported.

\$100,000 PROPERTY LOSS CAUSED BY PRAIRIE FIRE

By Associated Press. Ulica, Kan., March 22.—Fire that broke out yesterday 25 miles north west of here swept over a territory 40 miles long and five to twelve miles wide, destroying farm houses and other buildings. Today the flames were under control. The property loss was estimated at \$100,000.

BAPTIST STUDENTS IN MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Fort Worth, Texas, March 22.—The first annual convention of the Baptist Student Missionary Movement opened here today for a three days' conference. This organization, according to the sponsors, is to the Baptist denomination what the Student Volunteer Movement is to all denominations.

The movement is said to have had its origin with students and officials of Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary here. Hence the meeting place of the first conference. The purpose of the movement is to stimulate the study of missions among Baptist students in Baptist institutions throughout North America.

its territory includes the United States and Canada. Plans for a missionary education of Baptist students will receive emphatic consideration at this meeting, and New World conditions, as relating to North America will be studied. About fifty leaders in denominational work in the United States and Canada will have places on the program.

Among the speakers will be: Dr. O. C. Wallace, Canada; Dr. Curtis Lee Laws, New York; H. J. Buckner, American missionary on Canton, China; J. F. Love, secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; P. D. Gray, secretary of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; I. J. Van Ness, editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; J. S. Cheavens, Mexico; M. T. Dodd, Shreveport, La.; Prof. L. O. Carver, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; J. B. Hambrell, George W. Truett, L. D. Scarborough, S. J. Porter of Texas, and many others.

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NEW RECORD IN BANK DEPOSITS REACH \$3,600,000

From Sunday's Daily.

Wichita Falls bank deposits, which broke all records on December 31, exceeded their former showing by more than half a million dollars in the statements of March 7, and went well past the three and a half million mark. The statements of December 31 showed about three million dollars on deposit in the four banks here, that being far ahead of any previous showing.

The deposits according to the statement of March 7 are as follows:

First National	\$1,656,372.36
City National	1,496,935.67
Wichita State	258,548.88
Nat'l Bank of Commerce	229,412.14
Total	\$3,622,229.05

All four of the banks showed gains over their December 31 statements, and the combined showing is one in which considerable pride may be taken, indicating as it does a steady increase in the city's prosperity.

The statements indicate the growing importance of Wichita Falls as a banking center, the local banks being reserve agents for numerous smaller institutions in Northwest Texas and Oklahoma.

BONNER ANNOUNCES FOR DISTRICT JUDGE

The announcement of Judge W. N. Bonner as a candidate to succeed himself as judge of the 26th judicial district appears in today's issue of The Times. Judge Bonner is now serving by appointment by Governor J. E. Ferguson, who named him for the place when Judge J. W. Akin resigned at the first of the year. During the more than two months that he has been on the bench, Judge Bonner has acquitted himself with the greatest credit, winning the favor of the lawyers, attorneys and jurors, by his businesslike conduct of the court's affairs.

Judge Bonner was born on a farm in Northern Louisiana, near the Arkansas state line, and spent his early years in the state of Louisiana, moving to Wichita Falls about seven years ago. Since coming here he has studied for the bar and obtained license to practice, serving one term as city attorney and building up a substantial private practice. He is the youngest district judge in the state of Texas, if not in the country, being now 27 years old, but if his youth has handicapped him in any particular in his administration of his duties as judge, it has not been apparent.

In going before the voters and asking that they return him to the position he now holds, Judge Bonner submits his record, brief though it is, to the impartial scrutiny of the electorate of the four counties of the district, and he and his friends feel that it is such as to amply justify him in seeking to be retained in the position he now holds by appointment from the governor. The Times submits his candidacy for the thoughtful consideration of the voters of the 26th district.

S. T. Taylor has gone to Mineral Wells to attend the state convention of Odd Fellows.

RECENT EVENTS AT ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

Interesting Chemistry Demonstration Given—St. Patrick's Day is Observed

From Sunday's Daily.

Among the recent events of interest at the Academy of Mary Immaculate was a series of demonstrations given by the members of the chemistry class with the faculty and the academic students as audience. The experiments included the preparation of oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen, carbon dioxide, nitric oxide, ammonia, neutralization of hydrochloric acid by sodium hydroxide and the action of metallic sodium and potassium on water. The following young ladies alternately performed the experiment and gave the lecture: Misses Anita Monroe, Madeline Mackelochy, Helen Hunt, Mary McCune, Helen Stone, Mary Moran, Abbie Thompson, and Ruby Edwards. Many additions have been made this year to the scientific apparatus of the Academy, especially in the department of chemistry. The laboratory as now equipped affords the students every facility for doing thorough work in this interesting study, as is evidenced by the enthusiasm of the class.

Last Friday afternoon, St. Patrick's Day, the young ladies gave an impromptu program with that degree of feeling and interpretation and artistic skill which characterizes all the work of the Academy.

All Hall to St. Patrick—Chorus. "Reading"—Miss Anita Monroe. Vocal Selection, Vocal Class. Misses: Ella May Schaeffer, Roscoe Watson, Ruth Simpson, Aileen Crockett, Bertha Andrews, Abbie Thompson, Allice Street, Ruth Sawyer, Elsie Sawyer, Effie Grogan, Helen Grogan, Ruby Seay, Margaret Weinszapfel, Gladys Wash, Dolores Maxwell, Ann Wilson, Mary Wilson, Irene McCormick and Rose Oeschner.

Instrumental Duet—Misses Aileen Crockett, Ruth Simpson, Lucille Fontelle, Mary Moran.

Vocal Selection—Vocal Class. Reading—Miss Mamie Morse. Vocal selection—Vocal Class. Reading—Miss Alice Street.

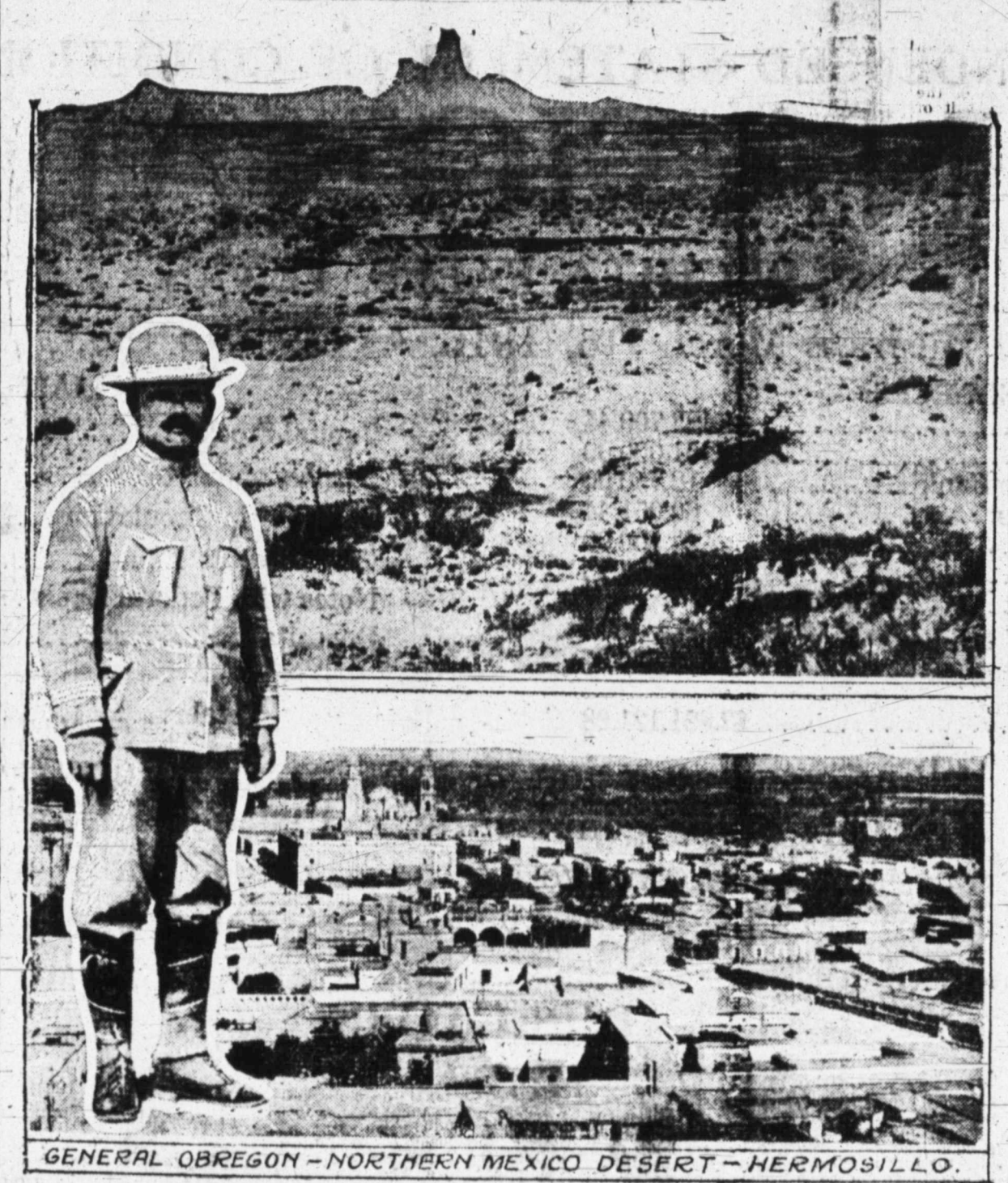
Vocal Solo—"The Day is Ended"—Miss Ella Schaeffer.

Hibernia's Champion Saint! All Hall—Chorus.

Accompanists, Piano—Misses Gertrude Campbell, Effie Grogan, Helen Hunt; violin—Misses Madeline Mackelochy, Ruth Sawyer; Bertha Eckert, Master David Clark.

Among the guests were Rev. Father J. J. Campbell, Lydus Parocci and M. G. French. At the close of the program Rev. Father Parocci addressed the assembly taking as his subject, "The Debt which Civilization Owes to the Celtic Race." The discourse of the reverend orator, though brief was a clear and forcible exposition accompanied by abundance of historical evidence.

AMERICAN TROOPS OPERATING IN MEXICO MUST PASS THROUGH WIDE DESERT REGION



GENERAL OBREGON - NORTHERN MEXICO DESERT - HERMOSILLO.

Some observers of Mexican affairs assert that a comparatively small body of American troops can make a dash into Mexico and bring back Villa dead or alive, but the majority say the pursuit of the bandit who aided Columbus, N. M., will be a long, hard task. Much of the northern part of Mexico contiguous to the American border is desert like that shown in the accompanying picture, and the scarcity of water is the greatest obstacle to the rapid movement of troops and others. Hermosillo, shown in the picture, is the capital of the state of Sonora, which is disturbed by bandits. It adjoins the state of Chihuahua, in which Villa has been operating. General Alvaro Obregon recently appointed secretary of war and marine by Carranza, is credited with having designs on the presidency of Mexico.

"LAST CALL" FOR PEACE PROPOSAL MADE IN BERLIN

By Associated Press.

Berlin, March 18.—Germany's enemies, by not taking advantage of the announcement on December 9 of Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg that Germany would consider peace proposals whenever her foes are willing to ask terms, have reached the last day of grace. This is the conclusion to be drawn from a leading article in the semi-official Lokai Anzeiger in which it is declared flatly the time has now come to carry out the chancellor's warning of December 9. The enemies of this country did not act for peace in a reasonable period they would have to pay more dearly for it.

Child Welfare

The following paper on "Child Training" was read at last week's meeting of the Home Economics Club by Mrs. E. W. Nicholson:

Man has performed some wonderful feats. He has constructed great dams and conserved the waters, making fertile valleys out of arid plains; he has bridged chasms where the eagle was monarch of all the surveyed; he has joined two oceans. These achievements have cost greatly in money, time and men and have only touched the face of nature.

Who gives the sunshine and the dew and with the combination paints the rainbow? Who causes the moist soil to always be true to its name? Who gives the beautiful La France rose its individual perfume? 'Tis the work of the Creator in this Paradise he has made for man.

Here comes the little soul into our keeping fresh from the hand of the Creator, and we wish to keep him in touch with our Father. What a task! We are not to neglect the most important development of our children.

Every year together has for her highest ambition the keeping of the child in touch with the Master. Now, do not misunderstand me, I think fathers mother owe a duty to their child physically, that can only be met in the greatest care, but this is not an end in itself, it should only be a means to an end.

Let the River of the sunshine, pure sweet air, all the beauties and incentives, not simply that our children should enjoy them, but develop them.

Dr. Ira S. Niles gives the following fundamentals for a child's right living: plenty of rest, plenty of air, plenty of sunlight, plenty of food, plenty of moderate clothing; ask yourself if the child is coolly enough dressed, richer than water enough, plenty of play, plenty of common sense, which last being interpreted means the wisdom and the initiative to adapt all laws to individual conditions.

We all know how important a healthy body is to a strong intellect; few exceptions, but the great general rule is, that a vigorous, active mind occupies a vigorous body.

After all these considerations, there is something more, something which has a powerful influence over a child's life: that is intimacy with it in its sports, its works, its disappointments, and its joys. The average child is hungry for intimacy, it longs for companionship, and contentment in the home if offered it there but not finding it there will go elsewhere to seek sympathy and understanding.

Abraham Lincoln said in paying testimony to what had made him the longest of Americans: "My mother understood me when I was a boy."

Nothing wounds the heart of a child more keenly than humiliation, which has a powerful influence over it. It is a form of punishment that needs to be administered with caution. There are times, perhaps, when word may come through this method of chastisement, but so rare are these occasions that the safe rule is to avoid it altogether. A child can easily detect the difference between wise correction and overharm.

VON TIRPITZ OUT BECAUSE WANTED NAVY TO ATTACK

By Associated Press.

London, March 18.—A wireless dispatch from Rome says that the retirement of Admiral Von Tirpitz was occasioned by his intention to attack Great Britain with the entire German navy. This plan was vetoed according to those advisers, by Emperor William and Prince Henry.

50 AIRCRAFT IN FIERCE BATTLE

GREATEST AERIAL CONFLICT OF WAR TAKES PLACE OVER MULHAUSEN

Anti Aircraft Guns of Germans Cease Firing to Prevent Hitting Own Machines

By Associated Press.

Basel, Switzerland, March 20.—When 23 allied aeroplanes raided Mulhausen, upper Alsace, the greatest aerial battle of the war took place. Accounts just reaching here declared that more than 50 machines were fighting at close quarters and the German anti-aircraft guns had ceased firing in order to avoid hitting their own machines.

One French aviator rammed a German machine which fell in flames.

Five German aeroplanes and three French machines fell, the occupants of all being killed.

Even while the allied aviators were fighting they dropped a number of bombs on military positions. Many thousands of persons witnessed the conflict.

NEWSPAPER WEEK AT THE UNIVERSITY

Editors From Over State Attend Classes in Journalism and Hear Lectures

By Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., March 20.—Newspaper Week, an institution that is hoped to be an annual custom at the School of Journalism of the University of Texas, opened here today with a large number of representative editors of the State attending. The "week" will continue to March 25. Under the direction of Dean Will H. Maves of the Journalism school, entertainment and instructive excursions have been provided for each day. This is the first occasion on which the new school of journalism has been opened to editors of the State for general inspection.

"Shop" addresses constitute a large part of the program, but in addition there are scheduled events of interest to those not actively engaged in newspaper work.

The social feature of the week has not been untouched. Members of the Texas Women's Press Association and other visiting ladies, who tendered a reception by Mrs. James E. Ferguson at the gubernatorial mansion Tuesday afternoon. On Thursday night there will be a "Buy It Made in Texas" banquet in the University Commons, when several hundred will attend. This banquet will be unique in that everything served will be Texas products. The University Glee Club will render musical selections then. Other entertainment and sight seeing tours will be on each day's program after 5:30 p. m.

An event in which there is more than usual interest is the address of Dean Walter Williams of the school of journalism of the University of Missouri on Wednesday, March 22.

Other prominent speakers during the week are: Charles H. Abbott of the Southwestern Telephone News, Dallas; Dr. W. S. Sutton, dean of the department of education, University of Texas; and Judge John Thomas dean of the law department of the University of Texas.

Coincident with newspaper week there will be the annual convention of the Texas Women's Press Association here. Mrs. William Christian of Houston is president. Interesting addresses on the women's program are by J. J. Taylor of the Dallas News; Mrs. G. C. Costello of the Houston Chronicle; Walter Williams of Holland's Magazine, Dallas; and Mrs. William Wyse Houston.

12 TYPHUS CASES REPORTED IN TEXAS

State Health Department's Report Shows 218 Smallpox Cases in February

By Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., March 20.—The state health department today made public the sanitary report for the month of February, which shows 218 cases of smallpox, 12 cases of typhus fever, 123 cases of diphtheria, 20 cases of typhoid fever, 60 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and twelve cases of typhus fever.

LONDON MESSAGE SAYS IMMEDIATE PEACE IN SIGHT

By Associated Press.

Galveston, Tex., March 20.—"Immediate peace is in sight" is one sentence in a cablegram received this morning from London by a Galveston shipping firm. The cablegram cancelled arrangements which had been made through the Galveston house for chartering a considerable amount of tonnage and gave as the reason for this action, the prospect for immediate peace in Europe.

TAGGART IS NAMED INDIANA SENATOR

Appointed By Governor Ralston To Succeed Late Benjamin F. Shively

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, March 20.—Thomas Taggart, democratic national committeeman, was appointed United States Senator by Governor Ralston to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Benjamin F. Shively. The new senator has been prominent in politics in Indiana for 45 years and has maintained the leadership of the democratic party in Indiana practically all that time.

UNWORTHY CALLS FOR AID ARE MADE

Charitably Inclined Persons Being Imposed Upon, It is Declared—Asked to Refer Requests

Some of Wichita Falls charitably inclined people are being imposed upon, according to Captain Robb of the Salvation Army, by people who claim to be soliciting aid for needy persons and who have received donations of food, clothing and money. Investigation of some of the cases by Captain Robb has shown them to be entirely unworthy, he says, and he suggests that those who are called upon to give aid in this manner, get in touch with him or refer the solicitors to him in order that their charity may not be misdirected.

ODD FELLOWS GATHER FOR MINERAL WELLS MEETING

By Associated Press.

Mineral Wells, Tex., March 20.—Three thousand Odd Fellows had reached here by noon today to attend the annual grand lodge of the order in Texas. The sessions will last several days.

VILLA REPORTED AT CASAS GRANDES, WHICH SUFFERED IN FORMER WAR



PART OF RUINED HOUSE IN CASAS GRANDES, MEX. AMERICAN AND MEXICAN TOWNS NEAR BORDER

Reports of Villa's whereabouts at his attack on Columbus, N. M., located him at Casas Grandes, in the state of Chihuahua, while others asserted that he had divided his band and had taken to the mountains.

The accompanying picture shows a house in Casas Grandes ruined in the former fighting. The map shows the "large houses" in Spanish and other American and Mexican cities and towns near the border.

FIRES CAUSED BY STRAINING GASOLINE

Government Bureau of Standards Says Filtering Process Creates Electricity

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 18.—Many unexplained automobile fires and explosions, according to a Bureau of Standards statement, can be charged to electric sparks produced in filtering gasoline. The bureau soon will complete an exhaustive research which already has shown, it is announced, that many accidents attributed to unknown causes were due to electric sparks. Many explosions were made in machines whose tanks were filled through strainers made of wire and a piece of chamois skin.

BIRMINGHAM REUNION DISCUSSED BY VETERANS

The annual reunion which will be held this year at Birmingham, Ala., was discussed by S. B. Footrest, Camp of Confederate Veterans, at their meeting Sunday afternoon. Several members of the Camp are planning to attend the reunion and those who can go will be named as official delegates from the Camp. Several members made short talks and the session was much enjoyed.

ARREST LAREDO NEGRO FOR SHOOTING MEXICAN

By Associated Press.

Laredo, Tex., March 20.—The situation was quiet here today. A Negro who recently returned from Mexico was arrested here and held under a \$500 bail on a charge of shooting a Mexican through the leg. The Negro claimed the Mexicans abused Americans and their government. He shot in self defense he said. A local Mexican paper here today accused American papers of disseminating false reports.

SECOND PRIMARY TO BE CONSIDERED

From Monday's Daily

A meeting of the county democratic committee will be called by County Chairman Dan Boone in the near future, to determine whether there shall be a second primary this summer. The date of the meeting has not been set.

With four candidates for sheriff, three for county clerk and a still larger number for county tax assessor, the idea of holding a second primary seems to have more advocates this year than formerly. No second primary has ever been held in this county.

When Mr. Boone was looking up the question this morning, he was struck by not being able to ascertain the personnel of the county committee. No one seems to know just who had been chosen.

CORPORATION COURT HAS HEAVY DOCKET THIS MORNING

From Monday's Daily.

Nearly a score of names were on the police court docket this morning, intoxication being the principal charge. One young man who had been indicted about pleading guilty was reminded that he had been seen chastising a negro woman; he recalled that he had given a negro some money to get him some whiskey and that she never came back. He pleaded guilty. Two negroes who were fined \$1 each for playing poker, one seemed amply able to pay his fine, while the other did not, indicating how the fortunes of the game had come in town to spend Saturday were among those facing the judge.

OTTO E. FISCHER

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Otto E. Fischer, the celebrated American pianist and composer, who is appearing in joint recital with Harry Evans, the renowned London bass-cantante, in this city during the Wichita Music Festival, has enjoyed a very unusual career from the beginning of his musical life. Beginning the study of piano in his native state of New York at a very early age, he was advised by his master, the great choral director and teacher, Arthur C. Claassen, to continue his studies abroad. In Europe, his unusual talent and ability attracted the attention of the master composer pianist, Busoni (claimed by many leading critics and musicians, to be the world's greatest pianist), and was invited to join the class of this famous artist. At the early age of seventeen, Otto E. Fischer won his diploma from the Grand Ducal Conservatory at Weimar, Germany, after which he followed the great artist Busoni to Berlin, continuing his studies there. Also he studied with the famous Portuguese pianist and composer, de Motta, and with Mme. Teresa Carreno, the greatest woman pianist in the world.

Mr. Fischer's concert work in the old country proved a phenomenal success, securing for him the unusual honor of playing flye concerts as soloist with the symphony orchestra for the subscription concerts in Weimar, Germany, within the very short period of eighteen months. Returning to America where he was engaged to make his debut as soloist, with the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra in New York City, creating such a sensation as he seldom witnessed in the metropolis. Shortly after this concert, Mr. Fischer was engaged to give a recital under the auspices of the Arion Singing Society of Brooklyn. Probably one of the three most authentic singing clubs in America, creating such an ovation that the committee paid him twice what they had promised, and engaged him to give a series of recitals under the auspices of the Women's Club of Orange, of which she was president. And his subsequent American appearances have been one continuous ovation.

FLANK MOVE BY GERMAN MAKES GAINS

IMPORTANT ADVANCE IS RECORDED AGAINST FRENCH EXTREME LEFT NEAR ARGONNE DISTRICT PARIS SAYS WAS CHECKED

RUSSIANS SCORE

Make Notable Gain in Galicia-Germans and Torpedoes Clash-Each Side Says Other, Ran Away

By Associated Press. London, March 21.—The Germans before Verdun are making a strong drive at the French left flank well toward the border of the neighboring Argonne region and have gained ground south of Malancourt, ten miles northwest of Verdun.

Their first attempt to debouch from the Malancourt woods and today's official statement from Paris shows them to have pushed some distance further southward, occupying the Avancourt wood the southern section of the Malancourt wooded district.

Use Liquid Fire. The attacks have been made with important forces with the support of a heavy bombardment by shells of large caliber and the throwing of liquid fire by detachments carrying special devices for the purpose.

The Germans attempted a further advance southward but according to Paris their attempts to debouch from the Avancourt wood were failures.

A news agency dispatch from Teleran reports the occupation of Ishpahan, one of the most important cities of Persia, 218 miles southeast of Teleran by the Russians.

Russian Victory. The Russians have won an important success in southeast Galicia where Vienna admits that the Austrian bridge head in the vicinity of Zernowitz has been evacuated under the heavy Russian pressure.

The Austrians were trapped but out its way through Uscieczko which the Russians held, and joined other Russian forces near Zalk-Czyky further south on the Dniester.

The Italians have resumed heavy attacks on the Tolmino bridge head, Vienna reporting the repulse of assaults against the Austrian position with losses to the Italians of machine guns and numbers of men.

Torpedo Boats Clash. A skirmish between four British and three German torpedo boat destroyers took place yesterday off the Heligoland coast.

Rioting in Ireland. Rioting has occurred at Tallinn, Ireland, where Sinn Fein rioters fired on the police.

NO ONE HURT IN KATY DERAILMENT

Six Cars of Southbound Flyer Go into Ditch at Itasca—No Casualties

By Associated Press. Hillsboro, March 21.—Although six cars of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Flyer, southbound turned over into a ditch two miles south of Itasca last night, no one was hurt.

DEATH SENTENCE OF WOMAN COMMUTED

North Carolina Governor Interferes in Case—Defendant Faced Electric Chair

By Associated Press. Raleigh, N. C., March 21.—The death sentence imposed upon Mrs. Ida Hall Warren, the first woman ever sentenced to North Carolina to death in the electric chair, was commuted to life imprisonment today by Governor Clegg.

VILLISTAS BAND IS DEFEATED BY CARRANZA FORCE

By Associated Press. Mexico City, March 21.—Mexican government troops have routed a band of Villistas at Trinidad, killing eighteen men and capturing sixteen saddle horses. They pursued the bandits as far as Jimulco.

5000 MEN WILLING TO SERVE IN ARMY

Heavy Recruiting Reported in Chicago District Since Troops Entered Mexico

By Associated Press. Chicago, March 21.—More than 5000 men have presented themselves for enlistment in the United States army at the recruiting offices of the Chicago district since the pursuit of Francisco Villa by United States troops began, it was announced here today.

PHONE COMPANY TO AID PREPAREDNESS

Will Permit Employees to Attend Training Camps or Go to Front if Needed

By Associated Press. St. Louis, March 21.—The Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Co. has notified the Business Men's League of St. Louis that it will allow ten days full pay to those of its employees who are members of the National Guard for attendance at the camp during this year in addition to the regular vacation.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Wichita. By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Galveston county, on the 21st day of January, 1916 by J. C. Gengler, clerk of said court against C. H. Sonnemaker, John T. Carter, Anna L. Jackson and Hannah Bussard for the sum of four thousand nine hundred and sixty-five and 84/100 (\$4965.84) dollars and costs of suit in cause No. 31706, in said court.

Wild Reports of All Sorts Are Circulated Here and Receive Some Credence. Each day brings a fresh crop of rumors about the Mexican situation, and the yield seems to be regularly prolific in Wichita Falls, which condition may not be entirely dissociated from the fact that several cotton and oil company wires run into local offices.

COMPRESS AT HOBART DESTROYED BY FLAMES. Hobart, Okla., March 21.—Fire of unknown origin, which started here at noon destroyed the Interstate Compress Company's plant and 700 bales of cotton. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

REAL NEWS WON'T BE MEXICO OR EUROPE, BUT "WHO WON; WILLARD OR MORAN?"

Some folks who hear the wild reports that have been circulated seem to take it as a personal affront when the newspaper fails to confirm the rumors.

Wichita Valley Air Line Movement Revived—Would Connect Up Oil Fields. A movement to bring a third important automobile highway through Wichita Falls has been inaugurated by several Wichitans, notably D. F. Talley with a view to reviving the plan for the Wichita Valley air line highway.

BONHAM MINISTER, FATHER OF WICHITANS, IS DEAD

From Tuesday's Daily. News was received here today at the death of Bonham of Rev. F. E. Leech, a retired Presbyterian minister, father of Miss Ruth Leech of the City National Bank and also of Mrs. Self of Electra.

COMPANY OF ROUGH RIDERS IS PLANNED AT LAREDO

Laredo, March 21.—A mass meeting will be held here tonight to organize a troop of rough riders. It was announced here today. It is said 100 men have expressed a willingness to join and that many more are expected to report.

VILLA MAY BE A PRISONER, VERDUN MAY BE TAKEN, THE PRESIDENT MAY RESIGN, BUT THE BIG NEWS TO MANY AMERICANS ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 21 WAS THAT THE TEN ROUND BOUT IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN TO DECIDE POSSIBLY THE WORLD'S HEAVIEST WEIGHT-CHAMPION FIGHT HAD BEEN MADE AND HAD SPREAD OVER THE NEWS PAGES.

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HIGHWAYS WORKER IS IN CITY TODAY

Director of National Association of Highway Builders Visiting Here—Meeting Called For This Afternoon. E. J. Herman, a director of the National Highway Association, one of the country's foremost workers for the cause of better roads, is in Wichita Falls today, and will attend a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce directors this afternoon.

CITY PLANNING TO BUILD NEW LOCKUP

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PASTEUR INSTITUTE WANTS TAME RABBITS

By Associated Press. Austin, Tex., March 21.—Tame rabbits are wanted by Dr. J. Wilbitt of the Pasteur Institute here. The rabbits are used in making a serum for the prevention of rabies.

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ZEPPELIN POLICY LATEST INSURANCE

Wichitans Who Own Property in England Urge to Insure it Against Airships

From Tuesday's Daily. Insurance against damage by Zeppelins of approximately one dollar per \$1000, is being taken out in England, and a Wichita Falls family which owns property on the east coast of England, in a section frequently often visited by the air raiders recently took out Zeppelin insurance. The rate is considerably higher than fire insurance, but the Zeppelins are in England on account of brick buildings predominating.

Letters received by Wichitans from friends in England tell of darkened towns, all lights being extinguished as a precaution against the Zeppelins. The glow from the lights of an ordnance depot in the vicinity of a ship at a distance of 50 miles, it is stated, and for that reason the precaution is taken. The darkness serves to bring the war nearer to the Zeppelins, as nothing else could. It is also reported in considerable dropping of bombs by the Zeppelins in places where a minimum of damage was inflicted.

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PROTOCOL IS TO BE SIGNED WITH MEXICO

PROVIDES FOR COOPERATION IN PURSUIT OF VILLA BY AMERICANS AND CARRANZA TROOPS, TERMS ARE AGREED UPON

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Wichita Southern Life Insurance Co.

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Dec. 31	Assets	Income	Legal Reserve	Surplus To Policy Holders	Insurance In Force
1911	\$178,325.95	\$ 91,052.80	\$ 29,082.92	\$162,503.00	\$ 557,140.00
1915	488,460.49	251,050.40	193,328.12	275,004.56	6,129,686.00

GAINS FOR 1915	
Net Gains in Admitted Assets	\$ 93,242.20
Net Gain in Surplus to Policy-Holders	32,457.34
Net Gain in Insurance in Force	1,080,498.00
Gain in Net Surplus	36,990.73

The largest net surplus for the protection of policy holders in proportion to amount of business in force of any company our age in the South.

The only western company between Fort Worth, Texas, and Denver, Colo.

Actively covering by its operations the north-west half of Texas, the western half of Oklahoma and the eastern half of New Mexico.

Making extensive loans and investments in every section of the territory from which it de-

rives its business.

If you live in this territory, this is your Home Company.

Give us a chance at your business.

Our policies are the most attractive on the market.

They are guaranteed by the company's surplus to protect policy holders and the very stringent legal Reserve Laws of Texas.

Securities deposited with the state treasurer of Texas to protect all policy holders.

Personals

From Sunday's Daily.

Saul Lebanon has returned from St. Louis where he made large purchases of shoes for his store here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Ferguson have returned from a trip to Dallas and Fort Worth. The trip was made in their new Hudson Super Six.

Oscar Rayborn of Chico, Texas, left yesterday after a week's visit with W. L. Ponder and family.

Mrs. John Colthorpe and Mrs. James Bradshaw leave today for Mineral Wells to attend the state assembly of Rebekahs and Odd Fellows.

Mrs. J. A. Deaton has returned from Godley, Texas, where she attended the celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Beard of Boulder, Colo., are spending a few days in the city as the guests of Mr. and Miss Chamberlain, while en route home from Dallas and San Antonio, where they have been visiting the past month. Mr. and Mrs. Beard have many friends here who will be glad of the opportunity to meet them again.

Mrs. H. A. Allen left Friday afternoon for a visit with her sister in Fort Worth.

Eugene Leach of Big Springs, a former Wichitan, is here visiting his daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Taylor and daughter, Miss Thelma, have returned from Fort Worth.

From Sunday's Daily.

Mrs. Peyton Gwynn has returned from a week's visit with friends and relatives in Fort Worth.

Miss Emma Allison, trained nurse, was called here from Fort Worth yesterday to nurse a pneumonia case.

Mrs. J. F. Quill has returned from an extended visit at Dallas and Fort Worth, and has gone to Abilene and Stamford for a visit.

Miss Ruth Leach went to Bonham this morning, called by the illness of her father.

District Attorney Leslie Humphrey has returned from Graham where he has been attending the district court. He reports that the docket of the court there is now practically free from criminal cases, a number having been tried at the present term of court there. Mr. Humphrey will remain with the grand jury which reconvened here today.

Attorney Bernard Martin has returned from Graham where he took part in a criminal trial.

Dr. W. P. Bolding left this afternoon for Kansas City, for some special work in dentistry. He will return Saturday.

Tom Parker, editor of the Iowa Park Herald, is attending the state convention of that fraternity at Waco, this week.

Mrs. Minnie Young and baby of Commerce, Texas, are visiting Mrs. R. F. Mathey, 210 Travis.

Dr. Johnson of Seymour was here today on his way home after accompanying a patient to Chicago for treatment by a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Fox returned to Seymour this afternoon after a visit with friends here. Their company is now playing at Seymour.

Vernie Clouton came up from Fort

Worth today and expects to remain here for some time. Vernie has been laid up at Fort Worth for some time as the result of an injury received while at work in the Oklahoma oil fields.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mathers returned to their home at Miami, Texas, this afternoon for a visit with Mrs. C. L. Burdard and other relatives here.

Mrs. B. Turner of Denison is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. George Keith and children returned today from Fort Worth where they went last week.

Miss Carrie Simmons left today for a visit at Dallas and Terrell.

Joe Kell and Catten McDowell returned to Austin, where they are students in the state university, after spending Sunday with home folks.

From Tuesday's Daily.

W. M. Jones, general foreman for the Western Union Telegraph Co., is here today to superintend some changes.

Tom B. Taylor returned today from a trip to Seymour.

Miss Jean McRae arrived this afternoon to join her father, Dr. J. J. McRae here.

Judge A. H. Carrigan left this afternoon for Beaumont, where he will appear in a case before the Knox county district court.

T. L. Toland of Dallas arrived this afternoon to spend several days here.

Miss Cynthia Hines arrived this afternoon from Bridgeport for a visit with her uncle, O. W. Hines and wife.

C. E. Frost of Athens, Ala., is registered at the Westland.

Miss Hines gave "Enoch Arden" as a reading in two parts and her performance was one that received much praise. Her ability as a reader and entertainer is well known here and there will be many who will be glad to learn of her exceptional progress in her study of dramatic expression.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. H. Hatcher returned Friday from Oklahoma City where they visited their son, T. C. Hatcher, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fleming are here from Petrolia.

T. R. Orth came in today after three weeks on the Clinton, Oklahoma & Western railroad where he has been superintending the installation of a system of water tanks. He expects to return to Oklahoma today.

Mrs. W. A. Soule has returned from Fort Worth, where she was called last week by the critical illness of her father. She left him much improved.

C. T. McDonald of Stephenville visited J. W. Short and family here yesterday, returning to Stephenville last night.

Don C. Hunter of Philadelphia is visiting his brother, B. L. Hunter, for a few days. Mr. Hunter is general agent for the Chicago Great Western railroad at Philadelphia.

David Morris, advance man for the Worthyham Carnival Company, was here today making arrangements for the engagement of his company here the week of April 3.

Roy E. Fox was here from Seymour today.

The Misses Ada Pierce and Adele Summers of Vernon are here.

C. Y. Newsom came down from Electric this afternoon.

G. W. Corkhill and family have returned from Kansas, where they spent several months.

A. B. Mode and Misses Mary and Ruby Fogg came down from Childress this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Pistole and Mr. and Mrs. L. Briggs are here from Seymour.

Newton P. Willis and George W. Hanson of Canadian are registered at the Westland.

Rev. C. C. Smith, formerly pastor of the First M. E. Church here, who is now pastor of a church at Oklahoma City, is here today looking after his property interests.

Miss Madison who has been at Dallas for several weeks, returned today.

E. J. Hernan, the good roads man who met with Wichita county citizens here yesterday in the interest of the Meridian highway, will meet with citizens of the Burk Burnett section at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at Burk Burnett. He will then go to Henrietta.

W. H. Chilson came up from Henrietta this afternoon to meet with E. J. Hernan, the good roads man.

B. B. Woodall who went to Wisconsin about ten days ago to inspect dairies there to gain ideas for improvements for his dairy here, and to buy dairy stock for the Chamber of Commerce is expected to return tonight.

Some Wichita Falls People May Wait "Till Too Late"

Don't wait until too late. Be sure to be in time.

Just in time with kidney pills. Means, curing the backache, the dizziness, the urinary disorders. That so often come with kidney troubles.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for this very purpose.

Here is Wichita Falls testimony of their worth:

Mrs. E. Spronis, 408 Lee street, Wichita Falls, says: "I was in bad shape with rheumatic pains in my arms and shoulders. My feet and hands were also swollen. I felt depressed and worn out and my health was very poor. I used only one box of Doan's Kidney Pills when I was in much better health. The druggist's swellings were removed and the rheumatic pains disappeared."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy, but get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Spronis had. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

SEVEN-CENT GASOLINE BY NEW PROCESS IS POSSIBLE

J. C. Hunk, who left Long Beach Monday for home intending to stop at Grand Canyon, sending the following clipping from a Los Angeles paper relative to the Rittman process of refining oil.

"A blow at the high cost of gasoline is to be made by the Independent Oil Producers' agency of California with the adoption of the Rittman process of refining."

"L. P. St. Clair, president of the agency, said that an appropriation sufficient to thoroughly test the efficiency of the process will be asked for at the next executive meeting of the agency officers."

"Mr. St. Clair said that he has been in communication with the department of the interior for some time. Application was formally made for the privilege of using the process and it is believed that the request has been granted by the government."

"The possibilities of applying the Rittman process to refining California crude oil appear limitless. Mr. St. Clair said that if the tests prove successful he looks for the production of gasoline in this state that can be retailed at seven cents a gallon."

Friberg Items

Mrs. A. C. Friberg visited with Mrs. Andree Tuesday.

George Musgraves and A. L. Thornberry have built a fine cement dipping vat costing about \$250. They will dip their cattle about the first of May.

Mrs. Gevey visited all day with Mrs. A. L. Thornberry Monday.

A. C. Friberg made a business trip to Wichita Tuesday.

The singing school is still going on at Marion Church. It will close Saturday night. The two ladies who are teaching the school will go from there over to Thornberry where they have contracted for a school to begin Monday night, March 27.

Rev. Payston is taking the school census this week.

Nell Lynskey visited with home folks and friends in Wichita Saturday and Sunday.

The Friberg church has ordered sixty new song books. Come out and help sing.

There will be preaching services at Friberg Sunday morning and night. Come out to these services—they will help you. The last preaching night the church was filled to its capacity. Come early if you want a seat.

Rev. Royston has announced his subjects for Sunday as follows: Morning, "How To Better Understand the Bible" evening, "Sowing and Reaping." You are invited to attend these services.

London, March 22.—A Bucharest dispatch via Amsterdam says the Turks have evacuated Erzingan, a fortress of Asia Minor, 120 miles west of Erzerum.



THOMAS TAGGART

The appointment of Mr. Taggart to succeed the late Benjamin F. Shiveley as senator from Indiana was announced Monday morning and has been the occasion of considerable comment. Mr. Taggart has been under fire many times during his long career at the head of the Indiana democracy. It is expected that there will be strong opposition to him when his candidacy goes before the voters.

ENGINEERS OFFER MAY BE ACCEPTED

Local railroad engineers who last Saturday notified Warren S. Stone, grand chief-engineer of the Brotherhood that Division 736, could furnish the government several engineers for service in Mexico if needed were late yesterday notified by Mr. Stone that the officials at Washington had been informed that engineers were available.

Mr. Stone's reply does not make it clear whether local engineers would be called upon, but it is expected, in view of the fact that several engineers in this city have had runs on Mexican railroads, that some of them will be called upon if their services are needed.

QUARTERMASTERS TO BE INSTRUCTED

By Associated Press.

Springfield, Ill., March 22.—It was learned here today that quartermasters and commissary officers of the Illinois National Guard have been informed they would be well for them to report as soon as possible to the United States army depot quartermasters either in St. Louis or Chicago for instructions in event of mobilization of the national guard.

STRONGER FOREIGN POLICY IS URGED

Peoria, Ill., March 22.—The Republican state convention in resolutions adopted here Tuesday deplored "the vacillating and uncertain course of this country with Mexico and with the warring nations of Europe" and urged "with all possible emphasis that the affairs of the United States be so conducted as not to embroil the nation in the terrible conflict." The convention deplored "the diplomatic blunders in connection with Mexico," but approved of the "determination of our government to hunt down and punish the bandits who raised an undefended American town."

Other resolutions adopted declared against putting the United States into a "class of military nations" and favored "constitutional amendments providing for national prohibition and for national woman suffrage."

These resolutions, while in no sense a tentative platform for the party in Kansas, were said to forecast in a general way the platform to be adopted by the party council, which is expected to meet after the August primary.

The convention also went on record in favor of "the enforcement of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments reducing the representation of those states which suppress votes by illegal means in direct proportion as that suppressed population bears to the total population of such states, and we instruct our delegates from this convention to urge and vote for the insertion of such a plank in the national platform, and we urge that our congressmen and senators be advised as speedily as possible to bring about this much-needed remedial legislation."

- ### Announcements
- POLITICAL ADVERTISING RATES. CASH IN ADVANCE.
- All candidates announcing under this heading submit their claims for the office to which they aspire subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held in July.
- For District Judge 75th District: E. W. NICHOLSON, W. B. CHAUNCEY, EDGAR SCURRY, L. D. V. NAPIER
- For District Clerk: A. F. KERR
- For District Attorney: LESLIE HUMPHREY
- For District Judge, 39th Judicial District (Wichita, Clay, Archer and Young Counties): W. N. HONNER.
- For Representative 101st District: E. R. GREENWOOD
- For County Judge: HARVEY HARRIS (Second Term)
- For County Attorney: ED YARBROUGH, E. H. EDDLEMAN, T. F. HUNTER, T. B. GREENWOOD (Second Term)
- For County Tax Collector: B. M. BULLARD (Second Term)
- For County Clerk: M. P. KELLY, E. P. WALSH, J. W. STONE
- For County Treasurer: T. W. McHALL
- For Sheriff: G. M. A. HAWKINS (Second Term), R. L. (Pete) RANDOLPH, J. A. D. SMITH, J. L. HUFFINES
- For County Tax Assessor: CELL P. FOWLER, T. E. RAGSDALE, IRVAN DEATON, L. E. PRESCOTT, J. F. GUILLET, HY NEWSUM, W. J. HOWARD, JR.
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: J. E. JACKSON (For re-election), J. A. McSPADEN
- For Justice of the Peace, Prec. No. 1 (Place 1): J. P. JONES
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Place 2: W. J. HOWARD
- ### MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES
- Election to be held in April. All candidates announcing under this heading submit their claims for the office to which they aspire subject to a vote of the people:
- For Mayor: A. H. BRITAIN
- For City Attorney: HORACE NUTT (Second Term)
- For City Tax Assessor and Collector: H. S. ROBERTSON.
- For City Marshal: J. B. NAIL (for re-election), R. V. GWINN, A. J. HUMPHRIS, J. B. FITTS
- For City Clerk: R. B. (Bob) DUNAWAY, W. A. (Arthur) MCCARTY, V. C. SKEEN
- For City Engineer: L. C. HINCKLEY
- For City Recorder: EDGAR RYE, G. R. WALKER, E. S. WHITELAW, M. F. YEAGER

HIGHWAYS WORKER IS VISITOR TUESDAY

Support and encouragement for the movement looking to improvement of the important automobile highways that traverse the country, particularly those passing through Wichita Falls, were promised Tuesday afternoon by the directors of the Chamber of Commerce here, they had listened to a very interesting good roads talk by E. J. Hernan, a director of the National Highways Association.

A committee was named to solicit members of the association in this city and cooperation was promised in the efforts to bring about permanent improvement of the highways.

Mr. Hernan discussed the importance of the highway system speaking at length upon the part that the Meridian road may be made to play in the national highway system. With a permanent improved highway following the Meridian route, he said, Texas could bring thousands of the tourists who flock annually to Colorado and California. Many people go to the latter states, he said, because they know there are good roads there but they would gladly come and get acquainted with Texas if given the encouragement that good roads afford.

The establishment of a state highway commission was urged by Mr. Hernan as the first step toward results in Texas. This for a commission have failed in recent legislatures; the plan for national aid for highways, now taking form in Congress, where it has already passed one house, Mr. Hernan said, provided that money should go only to those states that had state highway commissions and for this reason he pointed out it was essential that such a commission should be created in Texas.

While federal aid for the interstate highways was surely coming, Mr. Hernan said, it was important that steps be taken toward improvement without waiting for the government's assistance. He spoke at some length upon the advantages that accrued to a community on one of the important highways and said no one could estimate the value to Wichita Falls of being on two such routes as the Meridian road and the Colorado to Gulf highway.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Talley, Bland, Art, Jackson and Bridgman was named to organize members here for the National Highways Association.

Mr. Hernan left today for Henrietta where he will conduct a meeting tonight and will later visit Bowie and other points along the Fort Worth & Denver in his efforts to arouse interest in the movement for permanent improvement of the Meridian highway.

While the directors were in session here, Messrs. J. R. representing the Boys' Club of the high school asked an appropriation of \$20 to assist in entertaining the Older Boys' Conference to be held here next month. He discussed the purposes and work of the conference; and said that as the boys just had to have the money they had thought to give the Chamber of Commerce the first opportunity of giving it. The appropriation was forthcoming.

PLANS HERD OF HOLSTEINS FOR HARDMAN COUNTY

(Quannah Tribune-Chief.)

On Tuesday the Tribune-Chief had the pleasure of meeting W. W. Watson of Youngstown, O., who was here looking for a suitable location for a large Holstein dairy herd. He was favorably impressed with what he saw of Quannah and Damsite. Should Mr. Watson decide to locate here, he would organize a \$150,000 corporation to handle a wholesale business in the sale of registered Holstein cattle.

Mr. Watson is an experienced wholesaler and breeder of registered Holstein dairy cattle and is now doing a large business on the farms located in the vicinity of Youngstown. He is now selling the high grade stock to buyers in all parts of the United States. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and one of the best known dairymen in the breeding end in the United States.

A large institution like Mr. Watson might bring to this section would mean a great stimulus to dairying and bring here lots of buyers anxious to build up herds of the best milk cattle on earth.

NEEDLE IS REMOVED FROM KNEE OF LITTLE GIRL

Tuesday afternoon Margaret Boger, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boger of Vernon, underwent an operation for the removal of a piece of a needle from her left knee at the Amoson-Harris hospital here. The needle had broken off in the flesh and the X-ray was used to determine the location of the bit of steel about a quarter of an inch in length. The needle fragment was removed successfully and the little girl is resting easily. Her parents are here with her.

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