

# The Crockett Courier.

"Quality, Not Quantity."

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## BY RADIO TO ALL AMERICA'S HEART

You can hear them crying if your heart is tuned to the key of humanity, says Henry Van Dyke.

Into the bright mirth of our sheltered homes, into the peaceful murmur of our country's prosperous life, there comes a strange and piercing cry—a sound of many voices moaning, wailing and lamenting—broken men, outraged women and bewildered little children, thousands, yes, myriads of suffering souls in wounded, starving bodies, crying HELP! HELP!

These are the exiles of Christ in the near east, driven forth by the Turk to wander and perish. You can hear them crying if your heart is tuned to the key of humanity.

Now listen, for the voices are coming together, blending, uniting in a strong and piteous appeal. The little ones are gathering in companies, regiments, armies, led by wise and valiant guides from America, marching with bleeding feet over bleak mountains and in wild valleys and through dusty deserts, plodding painfully to reach their cities of refuge. It is the new Children's Crusade, not setting out to conquer the sacred place of the Cross, as in the old time, but each one carrying a cross into banishment for the name of Christ.

Now listen again, for many of them, perhaps a hundred thousand, have reached the shelters provided on the slopes of Mt. Athos, Mt. Zion, Mt. Lebanon, in Nazareth, on the Bosphorus; their hunger has been stayed; their wounds have been bound up. Now with their crying a little sound of thin and quavering song is mingled; for they are only children after all, and they will sing if a chance is given. What are they singing?

Jesus, tender shepherd, hear me;  
Bless thy little lamb tonight;  
Through the darkness be thou near me;  
Keep me safe till morning light.

Well, shall they be kept? Let our great country speak and act with all her might to make peace on earth—peace with power. But, meantime, we, personally, must answer this closer question: Shall these little lost lambs be kept? And how?

How near is the Near East to us? That depends on how near we are to Christ.

While your heart says help, send me your offering.

A. A. Aldrich.

### Grounds School News.

School work is progressing nicely and every one seems to be doing his very best. This is examination week and this probably accounts for the studious attitude on the part of many of us. Our regular school work and

play together with our Inter-Scholastic League contests give us all we can do.

Our girl's basket ball team went to Union for a game of ball on Saturday, January 13. For some unaccountable reason the Union team did not appear, so we were forced to claim the score of the proposed game as 2 to 0 in our favor. We appreciate the score all right, but would have enjoyed a game of ball after our long ride. Union, we invite you down to our court and assure you that we will do everything possible to avoid such a score again.

We enjoyed a real debate at chapel Monday morning, January 22, by members of one of our history classes. The question was, Resolved, that the white man had the right to take the land that he found in America. The affirmative was represented by Bernice Gentry and Jim McCarter, and the negative by Jessie Edd Gallant and Vernie Mullins. The affirmative seemed to have a little edge on the negative, and therefore won the decision of the judges.

Our Girl's Home Demonstration club held its regular meeting on the afternoon of the 17th. Miss Barnett was with us, and after disposing of the regular business and taking in a new member, we proceeded with our lesson which consisted of making a sewing bag. The bag was made of a piece of solid color gingham 14 by 27 inches in size. We finished about half of it and will finish it at our next regular meeting. During the course of our last lesson Miss Barnett outlined a part of the work for the near future which we are anxiously awaiting.

The death angel visited our community on Sunday, January 21, and took from our midst little Clifton Schuder, one of our primary pupils. We miss his smiling face among the little folks, and both pupils and teachers extend their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved parents in their hour of great grief.

Reporter.

### Plans Accepted.

The plans for the Masonic temple, as drawn by Architect E. Ross Chamblin of Dallas, have been accepted by the Crockett Masonic lodge and the work of tearing down the old buildings will begin right away. A sketch of the building was on exhibition at the Chamberlain drugstore Tuesday. The plans include a three-story brick on the corner and two one-story bricks adjoining. The first floors will be rented for store rooms. The second floor will be for use as a banquet hall and the lodge rooms will be on the third floor. The style of architecture is beautiful and the building will be an adornment to the city. The Courier editor is not a student of architecture and cannot give an adequate description of the building, which will have to be seen to be appreciated.

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.

## JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The Courier's list of subscription renewals is again larger than it was the previous week. The only place busier than the Courier's subscription department is the tax collector's office, where the big rush to pay before February 1 is now on.

Among the number calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their renewals and subscriptions, since last issue are the following, who will please accept our thanks:

C. J. Fuller, Crockett.  
T. W. Whitmore, Ratcliff Rt. 1.  
S. L. Chamberlain, San Antonio.  
D. A. McDougald, Creek.  
Mrs. Joe Adams, Crockett.  
W. J. Harkins, Kennard.  
Harry G. Williams, Muncie, Ind.  
J. E. Driskell, Lovelady Rt. 3.  
O. C. Goodwin, Caddo.  
W. A. Bolch, Port Arthur.  
T. J. Waller, Crockett.  
W. H. Kent, Crockett.  
Leonard Arnold, Crockett.  
J. C. Arnold, Crockett.  
J. G. Beasley, Crockett.  
John F. Baker, Crockett.  
H. J. Phillips, Crockett.  
N. L. Asher, Crockett.  
Lipscomb Sherman, Crockett.  
Carl Goolsby, Crockett.  
J. E. Towery, Crockett.  
S. L. Murchison, Crockett.  
Judge S. A. Denny, Crockett.  
Mrs. D. W. Odell, Fort Worth.  
Lieut. W. E. Madden, Portland, Oregon.  
R. L. Shivers, Crockett.  
J. W. Madden, Crockett.  
B. R. Purcell, Crockett.  
G. H. Parker, Crockett.  
C. W. Butler Jr., Memphis, Tenn.

Dr. C. C. Starling, Crockett.  
Mrs. R. S. Sells, Stockdale.  
Mrs. E. F. Rigsby, San Antonio.

Dan Julian, Crockett.  
Mrs. Albert Von Doenhoff, New York.  
Herrin Hardware Co., Crockett.

A. A. Aldrich, Crockett.  
W. C. Shivers, Crockett.  
James S. Shivers, Crockett.

### New Parsonage.

The Methodist church has just completed another new parsonage in Crockett. This makes two new parsonages builded by the Methodist church in Crockett during the last six months.

The last one to be built was for the Crockett circuit. The Crockett circuit is composed of McCarty's Chapel, Latexo, Wesley's Chapel, Porter Springs, Shiloh, Lone Pine and Creek.

At a called session of the quarterly conference in December Rev. E. A. Maness of Crockett was asked to take charge of the building and furnishing of the parsonage. Under his leadership the work made rapid progress. The contract for rebuilding was let to S. A. Fain of Crockett about the middle of December and the work was finished by the middle of January.

Rev. Dudley Davis, the pastor of the circuit, has now moved into the new parsonage and is entering energetically into his work.

Mrs. Jim Cook and Mrs. R. E. Dillard assisted Rev. Maness in securing subscriptions in the town of Crockett. Mrs. Gail King had charge of the furnishing of the parsonage and secured much of the furniture for the building.

The different churches of the circuit are raising funds to help in the enterprise. The parsonage is located on the Rusk road in the north part of Crockett and is quite an improvement in that section of the city.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OFF

Austin, Tex., Jan. 20.—The question of the present legislature calling a constitutional convention was probably finally settled today when the attorney general's department delivered an opinion at the request of Representatives Hatman, McFarlane and Hendricks, holding that the legislature does not have authority under the constitution to call a constitutional convention.

"The people have the inalienable right, subject to the United States constitution, to alter, reform or abolish their government in such manner as they may think expedient," the opinion declares, and recites at length authorities and decisions for such a ruling. Reference is made particularly to the decision of the Indiana supreme court holding the adoption of a constitution is reserved to the people.

## SOME NEWS OF THE CROCKETT OIL FIELD

The Porter well at Crockett is drilling around 3350 feet and indications continue encouraging. Mr. George L. Porter, the manager, says it could not be better unless he had the oil.

The Driskell well near town is finishing up the fishing job that it was on last week. Some casing is being gotten out of this well, which is at a depth of about 3250 feet. Indications in this well also continue encouraging.

The Porter Springs well has not yet resumed operations.

### New Washington County Concrete Road Completed.

Brenham, Tex., Jan. 20.—Washington county's new concrete highway, recently completed by Smith Brothers at a cost of about \$1,250,000, was accepted at a special session of the commissioners court. Washington county now has a stretch of thirty-three miles of solid concrete road running east and west. Preliminary surveys are now being made of the north and south Washington highways.

## YOUR INCOME TAX RETURNS

In the Tyler Division, with headquarters at Tyler, Texas, there are a number of counties from Texarkana to Sulphur Springs, from Crockett to Texarkana and from Tyler to Texarkana—all this territory will be made by deputy collectors for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in filing their income tax returns.

These returns must be filed not later than March 15, 1923, or else penalty for delinquency will apply.

Every individual whose net income amounts to \$1000 or \$2000, whether single or married, as the case may be, is required by regulations to file income tax returns.

Every individual whose gross income amounts to \$5000, regardless of being married or single, is required to file a return.

Partnerships and corporations are also required to file income tax returns.

It is suggested that each and every individual, who isn't certain of any requirements of the income tax regulations, make it convenient to see a deputy collector, who will visit each and every town of importance, before March 15, 1923. The newspapers will give notice of the dates. If this isn't convenient, if communication be had with the Tyler Division Office, or Collector's Office, Dallas, Texas, proper information can be ascertained.

R. L. Witt,  
Division Chief,  
Tyler, Texas.

### The French Alliance.

Last Tuesday evening Mrs. T. H. Archibald entertained the French Alliance. We were ushered into the cozy drawing room where the members and initiatives were assembled. A number of initiations were held and when each had become a member of the society a lively French conversation ensued. French games, songs and riddles were on the evening program. All talk was in French until after the refreshments were served. Then all gave vent to an easy, steady flow of English. After spending a most enjoyable evening, we bid our kind hostess bonne nuit and departed. The meeting was a decided success and will be followed by others, which we hope will be equally as pleasant, on the first Tuesday of every month.

A Guest.

### THE MAN YOU MAY NEED.

You want a man with a reputation for dependable work. The man who advertises his business or profession assumes a responsibility. The responsible man is always the most successful and the cheapest in the end.

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## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Ola Lynch has returned from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. J. F. Henley of Anderson county.

## CROCKETT THEATRE

First Night Show Starts at 7:15 p. m. Promptly.

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF JAN. 29TH TO FEB. 3RD

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

Richard Talmadge in  
**THE CUB REPORTER**

The greatest of all achievements. A story of a stolen diamond, a kid-marked girl. The capture and restoration of both.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

Alice Calhoun in  
**"A GIRL'S DESIRE"**

The story of an ambitious school girl's desire to marry title and wealth and of many schemes she planned to succeed. Matinee 3:30.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Helene Chadwick and Richard Dix in  
**"THE GLORIOUS FOOL"**

From one of Mary Roberts Rinehart's most famous stories.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Blanche Sweet in  
**"THAT GIRL FROM MONTANA"**

From the novel by Marian Ellis Ryan. Robert Thornby, director.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Marion Davies in  
**"BEAUTY'S WORTH"**

Whom did she marry? One youth loved her in the latest of Paris gowns. The other adored her in the sombre garb of the Quakers. The first saw beauty in costly splendor; the second responded to unobtrusive simplicity.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

**"THE DAYS OF BUFFALO BILL"**

Advertisement No. 3. Pony Express, Bulky Cause, and Brownie.

See R. L. Shivers for prices on fertilizer. tf.

Mrs. S. A. Cook left last week for Goose Creek.

All kinds of feed at R. L. Shivers Feed Co's. tf.

Stop that gripe with Bishop's Gripe Mixture. 1t.

Go to R. L. Shivers for Kelly cultivators and plows. tf.

Valentines at Bishop's Drug Store—popular prices. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Monzingo have returned from Dallas.

S. L. Murchison made a business trip to Dallas this week.

Dave Nunn and Tom Self were at Tyler Monday and Tuesday.

The rain of this week was of great benefit and welcomed by all.

Now is the time to buy your stalk cutters. R. L. Shivers has them. tf.

Mrs. J. W. Young and Mrs. J. H. Smith are making a tour of old Mexico.

Ladies' and Misses' coats on sale at cost and less. Crockett Dry Goods Co. 1t.

The Pickwick hotel wants frying-size chickens and will pay the top of the market. 1t.

Mr. R. S. Willis has returned from Houston and will again make his home in this city.

Beautiful patterns in a good grade gingham now on sale at the Crockett Dry Goods Co. for 10c. 1t.

Miss Ada Terry of Center was the guest of Miss Julia Mae Deaton from Friday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Henley spent the week end with Mrs. Henley's mother, Mrs. J. T. Lynch.

### More Buildings.

The Courier hears that a brick building is to be erected on the corner lot east of Smith Brothers' office and also another one on the corner lot north of their office. An era of building seems to have struck Crockett.

Call at Satterwhite's scale office for all kinds of feed, both bulk and sack. R. L. Shivers Feed Co. tf.

W. A. Bolch of Port Arthur was here last week to attend the funeral of his grandfather, Mr. W. H. Duren.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Norris and son of Center were guests of Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Lee from Friday until Tuesday.

If you are going to need a one-horse or two-horse steel plow this spring, see our Saturday Specials. Herrin Hardware Co. 1t.

Every day in every way dry goods are going higher and higher. So visit the Clearance Sale at the Crockett Dry Goods Co's. now and save money. 1t.

### Farm for Rent.

Hundred acres of tillable land, good pasture, good house, good water, and close to good school; place three miles from Crockett. Will rent or have worked on halves. Mac Hale. tf.

### Welcome to Crockett.

Mr. J. L. Cooper arrived last week from Madisonville and has taken charge of the O'Bannon store, which was recently sold by Mrs. O'Bannon. Mr. Cooper will have associated with him in the management of the store Mr. F. M. Posey, who arrived Tuesday evening from Eagle Pass. The Courier welcomes these gentlemen to Crockett and asks them to make themselves at home. Mr. Cooper has a store also in Madisonville.

### Excess Fees Paid In.

County Clerk W. D. Collins has turned into the county treasury the sum of \$860.20 as excess fees from his office. These are the fees collected by him above the expense of running his office and represent a saving to the county in that sum. County Attorney E. P. Adams also has turned some excess fees into the county treasury in the sum of \$673.89. As in the other case, this is an economy in the running expense of his office and represents a saving to the community of that amount.

### Expression of Thanks.

In closing out my business in Crockett, I wish to express my sincerest thanks to my friends and patrons for the business and other courtesies that have been extended the O'Bannon store and its employes, and I wish to bespeak the same courteous patronage for the new management. I shall always have a warm place in my heart for the people of Crockett and Houston county, and my wishes are for their happiness and prosperity at all times. 1t.

Mrs. C. P. O'Bannon.

### Poultry Raisers.

Miss Myrtle Murray, the poultry specialist from the extension service of A. & M. College, will be with me the 30th and 31st. There will be a general meeting in my office at one o'clock the 30th, and several meetings at the various clubs.

Miss Murray will give instruction on the various poultry phases and will be able to help you solve your many poultry problems. I shall be glad to have any interested person come to the general meeting.

Ney Barnett,  
Home Demonstration Agent.

### Cattle Dipping.

The Courier learned Wednesday morning from County Judge Leroy Moore that the county commissioners had agreed to employ two men to look after cattle dipping in Houston county at a salary of \$75 a month each. The men employed are A. W. Phillips and J. A. Harrelson, whose duty it will be to charge the dipping vats and otherwise look after cattle dipping. The commissioners further agreed that the county would furnish the cattle-dip at cost to cattle owners, but that the cattle owners would have to pay for the dip used. In this way each man will pay according to the number of cattle he dips.

### Married Saturday Night.

Mr. A. D. Durham and Mrs. Beulah Ford Branch, both living near Crockett, were married at the residence of Rev. A. S. Lee, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, Saturday evening at about 9 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Durham left immediately for the home of Mr. Durham east of Crockett, where they will make their future residence. The bride formerly lived at Lathrop, where she is well known and has many friends. The groom is well known to the people of Crockett and the eastern part of Houston county, where he also is in the enjoyment of an extensive friendship. The Courier desires to join in extending the accustomed felicitations.

### Died on Operating Table.

The 10-year-old son of Mr. Bob Schuder, who lives on the Rusk road seven or eight miles north of Crockett, died in the operating room of Dr. R. E. Dillard in this city Sunday afternoon. The boy was brought to the doctor's office by his father

### MONEY TO LOAN

BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES.  
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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

and was suffering from a severe ailment of the ear, which could not be relieved and an operation was deemed necessary. In order to relieve the boy of pain and prepare him for an operation, an anaesthetic was administered, but the little fellow died while on the operating table. His untimely death is greatly regretted by all, and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved parents and other relatives.

## Stop That Cough

Baker's Compound Syrup of Tar soothes the irritated and inflamed tissues of the lungs and air passages and relieves the cough. We recommend it for all coughs, colds, loss of voice, hoarseness and bronchitis.

It is a formula that we know and do not hesitate to recommend.

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- California Apples, per pound ..... 16c
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- 2 cans No. 2 Corn for ..... 25c
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- 3-pound can Wamba Coffee ..... \$1.00
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## EDITORIALS BY COL. R. T. MILNER

What the Former A. & M. President Writes in the Rusk County News.

### PLANTING THE WORLD IN COTTON.

A careful and successful farmer from the western part of this county stopped the writer on the street a few days ago and urged him to warn the farmers generally against the danger of planting an outrageously large cotton crop. He said that even at present prices for cotton it does not pay to raise it to the neglect of feed crops. He said that his advice to his neighbors and tenants had always been to be sure of producing sufficient feed stuff to supply their own farms, and that it is a settled fact, a fact as certain as that a rock will fall to the ground when turned loose from the top of a tree, that those farmers who make it a rule to raise all the feed stuff they need, and then what cotton they can, are the successful farmers.

"There is no condition, has never been and never will be," he said, "that will reverse this rule."

"Then," he continued, "I am simply at a loss why any thinking farmer will pursue a course which all experience teaches is wrong."

Not long ago one of our wisest and oldest business men remarked to the writer about as follows: "I have been in the credit business for fifty years, and I have observed that farmers who make cotton to the exclusion of raising their feed stuff and meat have never succeeded. And I have yet to know a farmer who, year in and year out, whether cotton is high or low, has produced his own feed and meat that did not succeed, and nearly always has money to lend to the all cotton man."

If we could say anything in these columns, or out of them, any time or anywhere, that would cause all the farmers to adopt a programme of permanently successful agriculture, we

would do it.

We can only call attention to the methods of those who do succeed, and they are not the kind who wait for the train for feed stuff and meat stuff.

### PLANT A TREE.

Plant a tree out there in the yard. If there is room plant several. The woods over here in Eastern Texas are alive with the most beautiful trees in all the world. The choicest trees are to be found in the rich, alluvial bottoms. There are two kinds of elms, dozens of varieties of oak, ash, maple, the sugar maple being one of the most beautiful of all trees, wild cherry, dogwood, ironwood, black haw and hundreds of others. Tree planting time will not last long. Really in your whole life there will not be many times suitable for tree planting. So do not delay a matter of such vast importance. A home in the country surrounded by all the different kinds of trees that grow in Eastern Texas is beautiful all the year round. He is a man of little soul who hath no regard for trees.

### STOP BURNING THE WOODS.

This is the time of the year when the pioneers, with torch in hand, went forth to destroy the woods with fire. They religiously believed it was necessary to burn the woods for the purpose of keeping back the undergrowth, killing undesirable insects and preparing the country for a better growth of grass.

Burning the woods is still believed in by some people, but a vast majority of persons who have observed the effect of fire in forests will argue that the soil is injured by burning leaves and decaying wood; that instead of benefiting the pastures they are seriously injured and that constant burning of pastures will soon destroy all grass; that instead of keeping back the undergrowth it increases it, since it is a well known fact that where one bush is only killed to the ground several sprouts will come from the original stock; and that the number of insects destroyed has never made any difference in so far as their harm to vegetation is concerned. Recently we heard an intelligent farmer say that he would consider it a crime for any one to set fire to his woods and pastures. He said that the preservation of the leaves and all matter that accumulates on the land is Nature's way of enriching the soil, and that the destruction annually of all this matter will annually depreciate the value of his land. He said it required no superior intelligence for one to understand that fire was no help to pastures, but that repeatedly burning the dead grass will destroy the roots, and thus entirely destroy the pasture.

As a rule those who put fire to the woods in this enlightened day are totally unmindful of its harm; or they do it in obedience to the opinion of some theorist who advocates it as a remedy to annihilate boll weevils. It is a very safe thing to say that fire has done far more damage to Eastern Texas than has the boll weevil. During the summer and fall of 1917 hundreds of millions of dollars worth of pines alone were destroyed by forest fires. What we need in Eastern Texas is a strong, healthy, intelligent sentiment against burning woods.

### COTTON MILLS.

There will never be any permanent, solid prosperity in Eastern Texas until we create more wealth than it is possible to create in agriculture. This is so patent that any one with common sense can see it. This country is in every way adapted to cotton mills. We have the raw material, the climate, the labor and the fuel. We only lack smart young men to lead out and open up the way. The cotton mills in South and North Carolina are the products of stirring young Southern men. Young men of intelligent vision are looking out for enterprises more inviting and better calculated to establish an enduring state of general prosperity than the old methods of swapping dollars, and no dollars to swap except those that fall to the lot of the cotton producer. It is gratifying that in some portions of Texas the cotton mills industry is receiving the attention of the more far-seeing men.

### CONFIDENCE VOTED FRENCH MINISTRY

Paris, Jan. 11.—France's separate action in the Ruhr was approved today by parliament, the members of the chamber and senate cheering for several minutes Premier Poincare's declaration. The chamber voted confidence in the government 478 to 86 on the question of the postponement of a group of interpellations on the Ruhr policy.

M. Poincare with much sarcasm defended himself in the senate against the German newspapers' implied accusation that he had inherited his warlike activities through descent from Brennus, who made famous the phrase, "Woe to the conquered," the warring king, Louis XIV, and Napoleon.

In his statement before the chamber explaining the reasons for the action which France had been obliged to take against Germany M. Poincare declared: "We are now going to get coal for ourselves from Germany at the pit-head."

Today's session of the chamber rivalled in enthusiasm the famous demonstration on August 4, 1914, when a "sacred union" of the parties was proclaimed, and the session after the armistice was signed when Clemenceau announced the final victory of the allies.

The "sacred union," however, no longer prevails. A small but aggressive minority, composed mostly of communists, with a few extreme socialists, interrupted M. Poincare with bitter remarks, provoking a tumultuous protest from the balance of the chamber.

M. Poincare made it clear that France would go as far as necessary to force serious efforts on the part of Germany to pay her reparations. It had been said that the default declared against Germany by the reparations commission on lumber deliveries was an insignificant matter on which to take such a grave decision; but, he added, "some people seemed to forget that many of the residents of the devastated regions were waiting for that lumber to build their homes which the Germans burned."

"We French," he cried, "can not forget that. That is the essence of the question."

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Touring.....\$ 975	Touring.....\$1275	Touring.....\$1750
Roadster (3-Pass.)... 975	Roadster (2-Pass.)...1250	Speedster (5-Pass.) 1835
Coupe-Roadster.....1225	Coupe (4-Pass.).....1875	Coupe (4-Pass.)... 2400
Sedan.....1550	Sedan.....2030	Coupe (5-Pass.)... 2550
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THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR

### ONE MAN LYNCHED IN ARKANSAS TOWN

Interference With Operation of Crippled Railway Said Ended.

Harrison, Ark., Jan. 16.—The "committee of 1,000," whose sudden and unexpected arrival in Harrison was followed by two days of intense excitement, a lynching and the banishment from the city of scores of former employes of the Missouri & North Arkansas Railroad, has wound up its affairs here and peace reigns again.

Leaders of the "committee" announced tonight, after two days of continuous hearings behind closed doors, that they planned no further action, and the members began to make their progress homeward. Some, according to reports about town, had come 150 miles to aid in the work, announced as being the cleaning up of the strikers and their supporters to prevent interference with the operation of the crippled railway system.

The Arkansas house of representatives and senate this afternoon adopted a resolution, authorizing Governor McRae to call out the national guard and declare martial law at Harrison.

Last night it was said that virtually every striker in Harrison—about 200—had been ejected from the state or placed in jail by the committee.

The body of E. S. Gregor, striking shop worker, found early this morning hanging from a railway trestle, was tonight taken by his wife and relatives to his former home for burial. Gregor, it is said, was hanged after he resisted attempts of the committee who were seeking to identify persons who are said to have carried on a campaign of sabotage against the railway company.

Gregor's home was visited by a committee, demanding his surrender last night. He is alleged to have replied with a revolver shot and escaped from the house in a hail of bullets. Following the lynching of Gregor, George W. O'Neal, hotel proprietor and local capitalist, who is said to have furnished bail for many strikers arrested and charged with sabotage, was taken from his home and severely whipped. Today he was in the hands of a special committee, which he promised he would lead to the hiding place of E. D. Stephens, former engineer, who, it is said, was wanted by the committee.

Night Marshal Rash of Harrison, who was accused of being a strike sympathizer, was seized, tied, flogged and ordered to leave town. He is said to have left late today.

A. J. Russell, United States deputy marshal of Fort Smith, spent today in Harrison investigating the situation. He came here on orders from Attorney General Daugherty.

Russell said tonight he would make his report direct to Mr. Daugherty early tomorrow and intimated he would recommend the railway be placed under federal guard.

### Crockett Train Schedule.

#### South Bound.

No. 1, Sunshine Special, 2:45 PM  
No. 5, Houston Limited, 1:48 AM

#### North Bound.

No. 2, Sunshine Special, 2:45 PM  
No. 4, Local Passenger, 6:53 PM

Salesmen wanted—Responsible men to sell Motorene Oils and Columbia Paints and Roofings. Central Petroleum Company, Cleveland, Ohio. It."

Tiny caterpillars that riddle the leaves of the trees are making the maple sugar industry think

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## A Wish

"I have taken Cardui for run-down, worn-out condition, nervousness and sleeplessness, and I was weak, too," says Mrs. Silvie Estes, of Jennings, Okla. "Cardui did me just lots of good—so much that I gave it to my daughter. She complained of a soreness in her sides and back. She took three bottles of

# CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

and her condition was much better.

"We have lived here, near Jennings, for 26 years, and now we have our own home in town. I have had to work pretty hard, as this country wasn't built up, and it made it hard for us.

"I WISH I could tell weak women of Cardui—the medicine that helped give me the strength to go on and do my work."

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## NEFF ASKS SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL SYSTEM

Message to Legislature Advocate New Tax On Oil And Amusements.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 18.—Governor Neff, in a message sent to both branches of the legislature today, declared that "Texas should buy the best school system there is on the market," and made numerous recommendations for legislation to improve the present educational system. The governor suggested that revenue to meet part of the expense of the improvement could be had by placing a tax of 5 per cent on oil, and he also suggested that more revenue could be derived from further taxing amusements.

The 5 per cent tax on oil, the governor figured, would produce revenue of \$9,000,000 a year.

"The people of Texas are spending annually for amusements \$30,000,000; for chewing gum, \$2,000,000," the governor asserted.

Governor Neff figured that Texas can purchase an adequate educational system by investing annually \$50 on her scholastic students.

The program for an improved educational system suggested in today's message is practically the same which the governor outlined in his address delivered prior to the convening of the legislature. His recommendations include: The state must recognize education as a vital function of the government; let the state make a thorough scientific, impartial survey of the entire educational life and find out just what we have in an educational way; make the state the big unit of the educational system with a strong, active, aggressive state board of education, as the administrative head; invest not less than \$50 in every child within the state within scholastic age, the state providing half of this amount and the local unit the other half; provide nine months of school each year for every child in Texas; tap in Texas new sources of revenue in order to get money with which to pay our educational bill; en-

act a law making a safer, saner, and more economic method of buying, distributing, and using free textbooks, and when a change is made in textbooks let the new books be gradually introduced so as not to junk the old books; see to it that our scholastic census is accurately taken; make scholastic apportionment on the basis of actual attendance at school; take up the slack, stop the leaks, and eliminate the waste and duplication in our educational system; teach the boys and girls of the state some of the practical things of life; provide, as far as possible, a definite income for the maintenance of our institutions of higher learning, so as to take these schools out of a political wrangle every two years.

## JEWS CHARGE FAKE KOSHER MEAT SOLD

Chicagoans Draft Law to End Gouging and Violation of Jewish Dietary Creed.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Charging that unscrupulous meat dealers of this city have been and are taking advantage of rites of the Jewish faith for profits fraudulently obtained, Jews of this city have risen up and demanded that the offenders be punished. The charge is that butchers of the city are selling as kosher meat products which have not been prepared in accordance with Jewish dietary laws. By charging kosher rates, which average two to five cents higher than those paid for meats prepared in accordance with the Federal laws, dealers are enabled to reap a rich harvest at the expense of the unsuspecting Jew, it is charged.

A committee consisting of leading laymen and rabbis of Chicago is now conducting a searching investigation of the charges. Laws have been asked making it a penal offense to so sell meats. Thus far no official action has been taken.

A law similar to that adopted in New York three years ago is sought. Draft of a law of that character is being prepared by a prominent Chicago Hebrew.

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## CALCIUM ARSENATE MUST BE IMPORTED IN FIGHTING WEEVIL

Washington, Jan. 18.—Imports will be necessary to furnish Southern cotton planters sufficient supplies of calcium arsenate, used in fighting the cotton boll weevil, according to a joint report of agriculture and interior departments transmitted today in response to a resolution by Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina.

Domestic producers of calcium arsenate, it was said, could not supply the product fast enough to meet early requirements this year. In 1924, the report said, domestic producers would be able to meet the demand.

### Movie Actor Pays Life for Drug Habit

Wallace Reid, hero of romantic film plays, lost his life in fighting to overcome the drug habit, the end coming Thursday afternoon at a sanitarium in Hollywood, California, where he had been under treatment for more than a month. He had been unconscious for nearly two days during all of which time his wife, Dorothy Davenport Reid, was at his bedside.

The direct cause of death, according to Mr. Reid's physician, Dr. G. S. Herbert, was congestion of the lungs and kidneys, which resulted from the actor's collapse when he endeavored to break off the use of narcotics.

Reid, who was 6 feet tall and whose normal weight was 185 pounds, lost 60 pounds before the end came. Up to about a

week ago relatives said he was improving and would be able to resume work in the studio of the Famous Players' Lasky corporation by July at the latest.

"I'm winning the fight, mamma," was his invariable greeting to his wife when she called on him. Mrs. Reid said her husband contracted the drug habit nearly two years ago. He was working on a picture early in November when he suddenly collapsed.

He was advised to take a long rest and started on a mountain trip with Mrs. Reid, Teddy Hayes, his trainer, and H. H. Muller. On his return to Los Angeles, his condition showing no improvement, he went to the

sanitarium.

Shortly before Christmas his family made public the cause of his breakdown, Mrs. Reid declaring she believed the information might aid in rousing the American people to the necessity of suppressing the narcotic traffic.

It was announced tonight the funeral would be held Saturday afternoon in an Episcopal church yet to be definitely selected, that the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks would have charge of the services, which would be open to the public, and that the body would be cremated, in accordance with a wish Reid expressed to his wife a few days ago. It was said the ashes probably will be sent East.

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A full line of dry goods and shoes at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

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J. H. Smith was at home from Dallas Saturday and Sunday.

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A full line of collars, bridles, check lines and strap goods at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

100 pairs of Ladies' high shoes on sale at \$1.00. Crockett Dry Goods Co. 1t.

Second-hand farm implements for sale cheap. See Mrs. A. M. Decuir or Zenon Decuir. 2t.

Miss Beth Tunstall visited with Miss Lorraine Blakeway at Kennard Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Hulamae English visited her parents in Kennard from Friday evening until Sunday evening.

Bring your frying-size chickens to the Pickwick hotel in Crockett if you want to sell them. 1t.

Frost-proof Cabbage Plants—One hundred 35c, over 200 25c hundred, post paid. Jesse Barnes, Trinity, Texas. tf.

Cabbage and Onion Plants

For sale at W. N. Blair's store in Crockett and at Montgomery Bros. in Lovelady. St. F. J. Krenck.

Miss Lucile Hart, attending school in Huntsville, visited her mother near Belott from Saturday until Monday.

Kodaks for rent, 10 cents per day. Studio open on Sundays from 1 till 2 p. m. St. The Warren Studio.

A special price on a few staple Jno. Deer and Kelly turning plows and middle-bursters for Saturday only. Herrin Hardware Co. 1t.

Tea Room.

Mrs. C. E. Parker and Mrs. L. A. Hollis will open a tea room in the new McConnell building within a few days. The date of opening will be announced later. 1t.

County Depository.

Sealed bids will be received on the second Monday in February by the Commissioners Court from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Houston county desiring to be selected as the depository of the funds of this county. St. Leroy L. Moore, County Judge.

Road Advisory Board.

The county commissioners this week appointed G. Q. King on the Crockett road district advisory board to take the place of C. C. Warfield, who resigned on being appointed county commissioner. Other members of the board are J. C. Millar and Dr. E. B. Stokes. The commissioners also reappointed Dr. R. E. Dillard as county health officer.

Peach Blooms and Apple Blossoms.

Mr. P. E. Smith of the Arbor or Shady Grove community left at the Courier office Saturday some peach blooms and apple blossoms which had been shown him by some of his neighbors. Such things in midwinter are out of the ordinary, but typify the mild winter we have had. Some of the oldest inhabitants say they have seen it this way only once before.

### First Methodist Church.

Preaching next Sunday by the pastor, Rev. E. A. Maness. Sunday school at 9:30. "Strayed—many children of Crockett, believed to have gone in the direction of no Sunday school." Any one assisting in bringing them back will be amply rewarded by the joy of such a noble deed. Try it.

### Teachers' Examinations.

Examinations for teachers' certificates will be held in each county on the first Friday and Saturday in each month except January, July, August and November. This means that the next teachers' examinations will be held in Crockett February 2nd and 3rd. 1t.

Mrs. Gertie Sallas, County Superintendent.

### Again in Business.

Mr. E. K. Caprielian has bought the Harris Racket Store of John R. Harris and taken charge. We do not know what Mr. Caprielian's plans are, but he says that he will have an interesting announcement to make in this paper next week. Mr. Harris will take a brief rest before again engaging in business, which we hope will be in Crockett.

### Death Unavoidable.

Dr. Dillard has given out the following signed statement regarding the death of Clifton Schuder, who died on the operating table:

"I deplore the unavoidable death of Mr. and Mrs. Schuder's little son. I say unavoidable, which is true and happens some times in the best equipped hospitals. This child had but very little anaesthetic, not enough to put it to sleep, though it caused a complete paralysis of the respiratory organs. Artificial respiration was given, also stimulants, but to no avail.

"Dr. R. E. Dillard."

### Our Thirty-Third Year.

With this week's issue the Courier begins its thirty-third year. It should be needless for us to say that we have a deep feeling of gratefulness toward our subscribers and other patrons for their part in making possible a journalistic existence of such length. But the time seems short to the Courier, and it also seems to us that very little that was set out to be done has been done. With the continued support of its patrons the Courier hopes to yet accomplish something in the line of its journalistic ambitions. We at least hope to merit your continued support and confidence.

### Cattle-Dip Meeting.

The cattle-tick eradication meeting at the court house Monday was well attended despite the bad weather. Mr. J. Boog Scott of Fort Worth, chairman of the Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission, and Mr. Paul L. Smith of Gilmer, a member of the commission, were present to explain the work of the livestock sanitary commission. At the close of the meeting County Judge Moore asked for a vote on the question of continuing tick eradication in Houston county and fully half or more of those present stood as favoring its continuance. The meeting was with the commissioners' court, but the court postponed action

## January Clearance Sale

This Sale Should Interest Every Woman In Houston County

Starting Friday, January 26th, and lasting the remainder of this month, every article in our house will be on sale at greatly reduced prices. Owing to the warm weather of the past few months, there are many lines of seasonable merchandise that we are overstocked on.

### These Must Move

and we appreciate the fact that it will take a price to move them.

So come expecting cheap Dry Goods, Shoes and Ready to Wear, and we guarantee you will not be disappointed.

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on this question until further information could be secured. The county judges of adjoining counties, who had been invited to attend, were prevented from doing so by the unfavorable weather.

### Arrested for Forgery.

Monroe Young, a white man about 21 years old, was arrested in Crockett Saturday afternoon by Deputy City Marshal Hooper and turned over to Sheriff Hale on a charge of forgery. Young was placed in jail by the sheriff and was still in jail this week. He was charged with forging the name of Joe Wilcox, a farmer, to checks, one of which he cashed at the First National

Bank, another at C. L. Manning & Co's. and the third at the McConnell Dry Goods Co's. He was attempting to cash the fourth check when arrested. Presenting his second check at Manning & Co's. Saturday, Mr. Manning, having discovered that the former check was a forgery, had the young man detained until an officer could be found. Mr. Hooper was near the store and made the arrest. The young man is the son of a widow who lives in the northern or eastern part of the county.

A London doctor removed a button from a man's ear that had been in it for seventy-three years.

## Announcement

¶ We wish to announce that we have bought the store formerly owned by C. P. O'Bannon and will continue the business at the same location. We are now busily engaged in restocking with new, clean merchandise, and when this is completed we will have one of the best and most modern stores to be found in this section.

¶ The name of the new firm will be the COOPER-POSEY COMPANY and Mr. F. M. Posey will be in active charge. Mr. Posey is a man of experience in the mercantile business. He will be glad to meet personally the people of Houston county, to whom we extend an invitation to make us an early visit.

¶ We respectfully solicit a share of your business, guaranteeing you the very best quality of goods, courteous service and fair prices.

## Cooper-Posey Company

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## DOUBLE KILLING IS THE SEVENTH WACO MYSTERY

Woman and Escort Slain on  
Country Road; Man's  
Body Dragged.

Waco, Tex., Jan. 21.—Texas rangers, the sheriff's and constable's forces and the police department are exerting all of their efforts to solve Waco's latest murder mystery, which materialized with the finding early this afternoon of the bodies of W. E. Holt, about 45 years old, and Mrs. Ethel Denecamp, 21 years old. They were found about five miles east of town and 100 yards from the Springfield road, which is the main highway from Mexia to Waco.

A charge from a shotgun tore away part of the left side of Holt's face, while he has several wounds in the left side of the back. Mrs. Denecamp was shot at least three times, the left eyeball having been torn out, while a bullet entered her body near the left nipple, another bullet breaking the left forearm.

Besides the bullet wounds, made by a pistol, according to the officers, Mrs. Denecamp has a wound about four inches long in the back of her head, which crashed through the skull, and which is thought to have been made by a hatchet or some other sharp instrument. In almost the center of the forehead is a wound which may have been made by the bullet that entered her left eye, but which is jagged and torn. The ball that penetrated her left breast came out at the back.

### Man's Body Dragged.

While Sheriff Leslie Stegall and Constable H. H. Butts believed that Mrs. Denecamp was killed at the place where her body was found, they are positive that Holt was slain at another spot. A small rope was found tied around Holt's right ankle and this is believed to have been used to drag him behind a car for a considerable distance. Great sections of skin were torn off his back, evidently while he was being dragged, and the back of his coat and the back of his shirt were reduced to tatters.

Discovery of the bodies was made about 2 o'clock this afternoon by Helen Jacobs, a sister of Mrs. Denecamp, who was in a car with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Vanzant at the time. They had started out to locate Holt and Mrs. Denecamp, and came upon the bodies, lying in a group of bloodweed about six feet apart. Mrs. Denecamp had a handkerchief in her hand saturated with blood. Both bodies were fully clothed and both were lying on their backs.

Sheriff Stegall picked up a bullet of 45 caliber not far from the bodies. Those who seemed familiar with Holt said he was in the habit of carrying a pistol, and several 45 caliber cartridges were found in his pocket when a search was made by Justice of Peace J. J. Pagett.

Holt and Mrs. Denecamp were last seen alive at 8 o'clock last Friday night when they left the home of Mrs. Denecamp's mother, Mrs. Louey Jacobs, in East Waco, in Holt's car. It was the intention of Mrs. Denecamp to be gone only a short time, according to her relatives here.

Advertise it in the Courier.

## STATE TEARS MASK FROM MER ROUGE MOB; NAMES GIVEN

Witnesses Identify Four Mem-  
bers of Hooded Band That  
Slew Daniel and Richards.

Bastrop, La., Jan. 20.—Efforts of the State of Louisiana, through an open hearing here to fix responsibility for the kidnapping of Watt Daniel and T. F. Richards, moved forward today with unexpected rapidity. Three more names were added to the alleged roster of kidnapers and the truck in which Daniel and Richards were whisked away was identified.

Smith Stevenson and Otis Skipwith, the latter the youngest son of Captain J. K. Skipwith, admitted leader of the Ku Klux Klan in Morehouse parish, and a third man, identified only as "Blacksmith" Smith, were declared by witnesses today to have been members of the kidnapping band and the State put in evidence a telegram from the State bureau of motor vehicles at Baton Rouge giving the name of the man registered as the owner of the truck.

### Skipwith Talked to Mob.

The name of Captain Skipwith also was connected with the stirring events of the evening when one witness testified that he saw the klan leader at the fork of the Monroe-Collinston highway in conversation with a hooded man. The captors and their prisoners were last seen at Collinston.

H. B. Blankenship of Bastrop was the witness whose identification of young Skipwith, Stevenson and the truck created one of the greatest sensations since the hearing got under way. Blankenship testified that in the late afternoon the hooded band in several automobiles and with Daniel, Richards and three other prisoners, all blindfolded and with their hands tied behind their backs, went by his home. The caravan, he said, passed within 15 feet of him. The prisoners were aboard the truck. He did not see the license numbers of the truck or cars, but having been for some time familiar with cars of the kind he observed the truck closely in order that he might recognize it if he saw it again. Asked if he searched for it later, he replied that he had, and that because of curious distinguishing marks, he had recognized it. He said it bore 1922 Louisiana license tag No. 74657. It was at this juncture that Attorney General Cocco introduced in evidence the telegram from Baton Rouge stating that car No. 74657 was registered in the name of Smith Stevenson.

Blankenship was then asked if he had recognized any of the hooded men.

"Yes, I am positive; Oliver Skipwith and Smith Stevenson."

### Owner Driving Car.

The witness explained that he had identified Skipwith by the manner in which he was attired, and added that he was on the running board of one of the cars "close to me." Stevenson, he said, was driving the machine. "It was his car and from his appearance I am sure it was him."

Sacks in which flour is shipped from the only flour mill in the great province of Hunan, China, are resold and used for making clothing.

## KILLING FOLLOWED ARGUMENT ON KLAN

FORMER RAINBOW DIVISION  
CAPTAIN SHOT DOWN IN  
LOUISIANA.

Monroe, La., Jan. 20.—Ku Klux Klan activities in Morehouse Parish were the cause of the killing last night of John P. Parker Jr. of this town, during a discussion with Carey Calhoun of Bastrop, his cousin, according to evidence adduced at a coroner's inquest held here late today. The jury's verdict holds that Parker came to his death by a gunshot wound inflicted in a scuffle with Calhoun. There no recommendations.

Parker was a former sheriff of Ouachita Parish and a captain in the Rainbow Division in the world war. The body will be buried tomorrow.

Calhoun, who is under arrest, is being held pending action by the district attorney, who is in Bastrop.

In a voluntary statement to the county judge, Calhoun declared the argument in the killing rose out of a discussion of the Ku Klux Klan activities and as to the testimony given at the Bastrop open hearing by Jim Norseworthy.

Calhoun said the shot was fired accidentally at the time he and Parker were scuffling to secure possession of a gun following an argument.

Calhoun, who has admitted he was a klansman, was a witness at Bastrop at the open hearing investigating black-hooded mob activities and he testified as having escorted William Norseworthy to the home of Captain J. M. Skipwith and arranged a conference between Norseworthy and Skipwith.

Calhoun is a brother of Gus and Laurie Calhoun, both of whom have been mentioned repeatedly in connection with hooded activities. Laurie was the special deputy who brought Dr. McKoin, charge with murder in the case, back to Louisiana from Baltimore. He also arrested T. J. Burnett, a former deputy sheriff, likewise charged with murder.

## CONFISCATION OF COAL RESUMED

FUEL TRAINS MANNED BY  
FRENCH CREWS HEAD-  
ED FOR PARIS.

Duesseldorf, Jan. 22.—The Germans and French are both claiming the advantage in today's movements in the economic battle which has been in progress here for the past ten days. Germans hold that the strike of the miners is a complete success, but the French declare that the order for a general strike has not been followed by the miners, many of whom, although they did not report for work in the morning, went down into the pits later in the day. The Associated Press correspondent visited the mines at Altenessen, which is the junction for Essen, and found practically the entire force at work. Coal was coming to the surface in quantities averaging 30 and 40 per cent of the regular output.

The railways are running on decreased schedule, about 40 per

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cent of the trains being cancelled. The tramway service is normal both in Essen and Duesseldorf branch of the reichsbank is trades are as yet undisturbed.

Telegraph and postal rates have been tripled and the railway fares doubled. It now costs 1550 marks a word to telegraph London and 900 to Paris, while the postal rate on a letter from Duesseldorf to Paris is 150 marks.

The reopening of the Duesseldorf branch of the reichsbank is regarded with great satisfaction by the French, as it will ward off for the present the crisis in paper marks and postpone the necessity of the French issuing new Ruhr currency. Despite

Berlin's announcement that the government would no longer send marks to the occupied area, funds have been coming in regularly in a semi-clandestine manner and the French have been taking the greatest of care not to interfere.

The Masonic memorial to be erected at Alexandria, Va., to Washington was inspired by the ancient watch towers of Greece and Rome by whose burning flares the mariners found their way into port.

Last year British railways carried 200,000,000 fewer passengers than in the previous year.

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## DRY AGENT TO FACE CHARGES OF BRIBERY

Nearly \$10,000 Said to Have Been Accepted from Big Booze Interests.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 17.—While he openly preached prohibition and vigorously lauded the virtues of the Volstead act, O. H. P. Shelley, suspended Federal prohibition agent for Montana, was secretly accepting bribes totaling nearly \$10,000 from brewing companies and drug concerns, according to indictments returned against Shelley by the grand jury in Butte.

Shelley, national Republican committeeman from Montana, will go on trial in Federal Court here early this month. He is at liberty on \$10,000 bonds.

He is specifically charged with taking a \$5,000 bribe from the Montana Brewing Company of Great Falls 15 days after he took over the duties of his office, September 1, 1921.

Shelley was suspended August 10, 1922, three months before the indictments were returned against him.

Shelley is charged with having allowed breweries to sell beer containing alcohol in excess of the legal amount permitting these concerns to falsify records of operation and also permitting irregularities by numerous drug concerns.

Two indictments were returned against the prohibition officer—one, containing seven counts, charging that \$7,700 was paid to by two breweries, and the second indictment, containing five counts, charging that various drug stores paid him \$1,502.50.

A prominent druggist of Helena is alleged to have been

the "go-between" in the illegal transactions between Shelley and the drug stores, while another former prominent Helena man is mentioned as acting in a similar capacity in the brewery cases.

In many speeches before conventions and uplift meetings Shelley appeared to be an ardent prohibitionist and loudly proclaimed the supposed benefits accruing from the eighteenth amendment. He has been closely identified with politics in Montana for many years, being the present national Republican committeeman from this state. Following his suspension as prohibition director Shelley spent several weeks in Washington conferring with party leaders regarding his case.

As a sidelight to the Shelley charges, prosecution brought by the State of Montana against the Montana Brewing Company of Great Falls last summer, alleges excess of alcoholic content in their manufactured beer, failed, but a few months later. On October 3 last, the company pleaded guilty to a similar charge before Judge George M. Borquin, in Federal court here, and paid a fine of \$1,500.

The approaching trial of Shelley is attracting wide interest.

### England Worried Over Attitude of Mussolini.

London, Jan. 11.—The British cabinet at its meeting today, when it considered the situation brought about by the movement of French and Belgian troops into the Ruhr Valley for the avowed purpose of applying penalties to defaulting Germany with regard to coal and timber deliveries, is understood to have decided upon a waiting policy. The British troops will not be withdrawn from the Rhine for the present at least.

A point not definitely solved is the attitude of the Italian government. Premier Mussolini seemingly is reluctant to support Franco-Belgian action with Italian troops, although agreeing in principle with the French policy.

This ambiguity in the attitude of Italy causes much uneasiness here because it is feared that unless Mussolini wholeheartedly supports the Franco-Belgian movement Germany may be encouraged to repudiate the treaty completely, declare it non-existent and refuse to make any further attempt to pay reparations, and it is considered inadvisable to give the German government ground for such action.

An earthquake in India twisted a lofty monument at Shatak, without causing it to fall.

## ECONOMIC DEATH GRAPPLE IN RUHR

France and Germany Now Pitted In Desperate Financial Fight.

Essen, Germany, Jan. 18.—France and Germany, pitted against each other in one of the bitterest economic battles of history, have embarked on a policy of attrition.

With the Franco-German Ruhr embroglio at a deadlock, each nation is trying to wear down the resistance of the other so as to gain her end.

France, on the one hand, by threats, promises and drastic action, in attempting to force Germany to submit to her Ruhr policy—the production of coal to be applied to the reparations debt on which Germany defaulted.

On the other hand, the government of Chancellor Cuno, rich industrialists, and in many cases labor, have joined hands to make France's adventure an economic failure. According to the German viewpoint, if the French can be prevented from taking any real money out of the Ruhr, the cost off the army of occupation will so burden the taxpayers of France, who already are laboring under the strains of supporting an enormous budget, that public opinion will demand withdrawal of the invaders.

In case French occupation fails to produce cash it will not take long, according to permanent inhabitants of the Rhineland, for the cost of the maintenance of 100,000 troops in Germany to empty France's purse.

Economically, France has already dealt Germany, which was in the throes of catastrophic conditions before the invasion of the Ruhr, a hard blow. The deeper that the French armies bored into the Ruhr, the greater was the collapse of the mark, hence, the higher cost of living. This one fact, many point out, may so weaken the former nation that she will have to say "kamerad."

### MAKING DISEASE OBSOLETE.

It was not so many decades ago that the United States discovered fresh air. In the progress of public health that discovery was as epochal as the first cry of land from the lookout of the good ship Pinta 430 years ago. The capitalization of that salubrious discovery has come within the memory of all of us. Fresh air, nourishment and sane precaution have begun to tell on the great white plague. Today tuberculosis is on the run.

The plain figures of the rout are given in a recent address of Dr. Augustus S. Knight, medical director of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in session at New York of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents. Said Dr. Knight.

That disease (tuberculosis) is rapidly giving way to the onslaughts of public health work and of enlightened social policy as well as philanthropy. In 1922 the rate has been 5 per cent lower than in 1921. This means that 2,600 fewer deaths from tuberculosis will occur this year among the 53,000,000 of policyholders in the United States and Canada. If similar conditions have occurred in the general

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population of the United States and Canada, there were likely to be at least 5,500 fewer deaths from tuberculosis this year than last.

Possibly the significance of this fact for the laymen—though that side was not stressed by Dr. Knight in his address to the insurance executives—is that this result has been brought about largely by the unselfish service of the regular medical profession. Tuberculosis is yielding, not to some strange treatment or newly discovered specific, not to the ministrations of some weird cult or school, but to the restorative forces of nature under unpretentious and unboastful scientific supervision. The new and the unheard-of in the curative art bulks big in the headlines. But the most trustworthy media for the maintenance of the health of the people frequently escape our consideration. Common sense and recognized science and preventive measures are worth all the miraculous cures and moving epitaphs in the world when it comes to saving human lives.—

Dallas News.

Many things are contributing to the better health of the people. Out door life has been a big factor, and the automobile, the golf courses, athletics of many kinds, etc., have not only brought the people outdoors but have diverted the minds of the people, taken them out of their ruts, and set them at occupations and pleasures that cause the blood to tingle and the mind to be active.

Science has had its big part. Medical science has discovered the germ and the insect that has been responsible for many kinds of illness and has routed these enemies to health. Cities and communities have driven out the fly and the mosquito, and many diseases have been practically exterminated. And this work of prevention and correction has hardly begun. — Palestine Herald.

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Cotton is the greatest commercial crop of the United States (i. e. being most actual money) and is almost the sole dependence of the South. With depleted soil, ravages of the boll weevil and other pests, and the high cost of living, it is no longer possible to produce cotton as economically and as cheaply as it was formerly produced.

Estimates of cost of production filed in this department by thousands of practical farmers, show that the average cost of producing the cotton crop of 1921 was 25.8 cents per pound, and the average cost for the 1922 crop was 22 cents per pound. The 1920 and 1922 crop for about cost, with a small

profit to the most successful farmers.

Business conditions materially improved because of the small profit to some of the farmers. This ought to convince every intelligent man in Texas and the South that cotton cannot be profitably grown for less than 20 cents, as the minimum price.

**The Remedy.**

1. Raise all the food and feed crops to supply the farm and the local town or city market and make the farm self-supporting.

2. Stop erosion or washing of the soil by terracing or other means, and plant enough peas, velvet beans, or other legumes to replace the plant food from the soil.

3. Reduce the cotton acreage 25 per cent and improve the cultivation, curtail insects, ravages and produce more per acre at lower cost per pound. This plan will produce as much cotton and bring more clear money to the farmer. Demand 20 cents per pound, or more, according to cost of production, supply and demand.

These suggestions, if put into execution, will materially benefit the South. The farmers, as a rule, are not properly organized and not financially able to carry out this plan, but are willing to do their part.

I appeal to all business interests to assist the farmers in a campaign for soil improvement, better methods of farming, and better prices, and this assistance requires both moral and financial support, and a campaign to appraise the cotton consuming world that cotton cannot, and will not, be produced hereafter for less than cost, and a reasonable profit. I appeal to the newspapers to assist in the campaign.—George B. Terrell, Commissioner of Agriculture.

**TURNING TO BUSINESS MEN.**

The British electorate is more appreciative of the wisdom of electing business men as its representatives in the house of commons than is the American electorate in respect to choosing business men to represent its interests in the popular branch of congress. Perhaps the growing strength of the labor party in British elections accounts for much of this appreciation of business talent.

But the tendency to such parliamentary selections has been on the increase for several years.

Formerly, as is still the case with our own congress, the legal profession dominated parliament. Now the lawyers in the house of commons, composed of more than 600 members, number only eighty. Of the labor members in the present house, fifty-seven are wage earners in the trades, while eighty-three more are trade union officials. Other parties are similarly represented by men chosen strictly from the business walks of life. Also, during recent years business men have been more prominent in British ministries, even conservative ministries, than ever before.

One of the most notable business men that the Nineteenth century brought to the front in British politics as a member of the house of commons was the late Joseph Chamberlain of Birmingham. He might have been chancellor of the exchequer in the last Salisbury cabinet, had he insisted upon the place, but certain exigencies made him take charge of the colonial office with imperialistic conse-

quences seen in the Boer war. The British tendency to rely more and more on business talent to assist in the making of its laws is altogether commendable and might be imitated with profit by our own country.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

School books that are not good for a dozen years are not good for one. It might be necessary once in a while to write a few more pages of history and to revise the geographies. The Governor was put on that Board for the sole purpose of protecting the public against the chicanery of shrewd gentlemen who flock to the Capitol on occasion of that sort in strange and dubious ways. The Text Books lobby is one of the most powerful and crafty set of fellows in the country, because the adoption of only one text book will some times mean a million dollars to the publisher. Prof. Marrs gives out a statement showing that the net cost of the new geography is \$786,120. The net cost of one arithmetic is \$74,120. It doth seem that the Board has shown poor judgment.—Rusk County News.

The elder Armour started as a poor boy and built up an industry that became one of the greatest in the world. The elevation the other day of F. Edson White to the presidency of the Armour company refutes the assertion often in this day that there is no longer opportunity for the poor youth to advance in the business world that there once was. The new head of Armour's started as a cattle-killer on the floor of a branch plant. This doesn't sound as though there is no democracy in American industry. A review of Mr. White's career as an employe of the packing company will probably reveal, however, that he has been more concerned with what he put into the business than what he got out of it.—Houston Post.

It is easier to sell worthless oil stock in New York than in any other city in America. The Gondorfs, clever confidence men, did not gather their comeons at the cross roads. They operated in one of the finest hotels in the most congested section of Manhattan.

**Regarding Christmas Seals.**

Mr. W. A. R. French, who acted a chairman for Houston county in the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals, has received the following letter, which is self-explanatory:

My dear Mr. French:

Your splendid report of the seal sale in Houston county is received in the director's absence from the office and I want to thank you very sincerely for same. I also wish to acknowledge receipt of your deposit slips for \$91.40, payable to Mr. D. E. Breed. Mr. Breed has issued a sight draft for this amount.

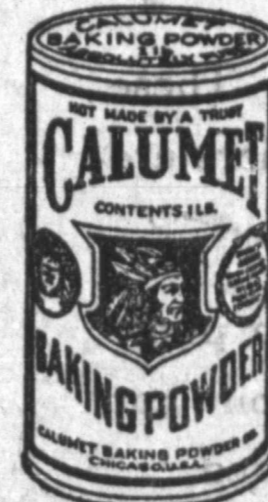
The reports are coming in nicely now and every indication is that the seal sale for the whole state will be successful. It this association can be of any service in assisting in the health work of Houston county, we will be glad to have you call upon us.

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**STATE PROBE FAILS IN ESTABLISHMENT OF MOB IDENTITY**

Harkness "Suspects" He Knows Members, But Refuses to Be Definite.

Bastrop, La., Jan. 16.—The State's inquiry into the slaying of Watt Daniel and Thomas Richards brought forth revealing testimony at today's session. But little progress was made in the central purpose of the investigation—the identity of men responsible for the death of the two victims of inhuman torture at the hands of a masked mob on August 24, last.

E. N. Gray, who said he was a member of the Morehouse parish Ku Klux Klan, was asked by the State's attorneys where he was on the night of August 24. The answer was never given.

Robert Harkness, another witness, said he saw a hooded band on the night of the 24th with several men bound and blindfolded in the rear of their truck. He testified that he "had a suspicion" as to the identity of some of the masked men in the fore part of the truck, but when asked to tell the court whom he thought the men were, he replied:

"I wouldn't like to."

The inquiry into the slaying of Daniel and Richards, citizens of Mer Rouge, whose mutilated bodies were taken from Lake La Fourche in December following their disappearance in August, stands tonight, in the opinion of observers here tonight with its heavy work ahead.

Gray testified that he had attended a baseball game in Bastrop on August 24. Daniel and Richards were last seen alive while returning from the same game. When Gray was questioned by State examiners as to his whereabouts the night of the 24th, W. H. Todd, a Bastrop attorney, interposed an objection, following which Judge Odom ruled that the witness would not be required to answer any questions which might be of an incriminating nature. Todd called the attention of

the court to a newspaper dispatch intimating that Gray, with several other men, might be named a defendant in criminal proceedings out of the death of Daniel and Richards.

**Could Not Be Positive.**

Harkness said he once thought that he had identified three of the men in the truck he saw on the night the two men disappeared, but that now he had reached the conclusion that he was mistaken.

"Didn't you make the positive statement that you could identify one of the men and that some one told you you had better keep your mouth shut?" Harkness was asked.

"I don't think so," he replied. "You have now reached the conclusion that you were mistaken?"

"Yes, I have changed my mind."

Harkness pointed out George Seth Guion, assistant attorney general, as the man to whom he had mentioned the name.

Mr. Guion took up the questioning and told Harkness that he would be asked the same question at a later stage in the proceedings.

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