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TO ASK DEATH PENALTY FOR KIDNAPPERS

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, June 2.—State's Attorney Crowe announced today, as attorneys began to battle in behalf of Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, confessed kidnapers and slayers of 14-year-old Robert Franks, that he would seek indictments charging the millionaire youths with kidnaping for ransom and murder, both of which offenses are punishable by death.

The cases will be presented to the grand jury tomorrow and it is expected that early action will be had.

Petitions for writs of habeas corpus were presented in the criminal court by attorneys employed by the fathers of the two boys who are in jail charged with one of the most gruesome crimes in the annals of this city.

Chief Justice Caverly continued the hearing on the writs until June 6th and ordered the boys sent to jail without bond, placing them in custody of the sheriff.

TEXAS IS BACK ON CASH BASIS

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, June 2.—The state treasury opened the month of June today in the best condition it has enjoyed in two years, according to State Treasurer Terrell.

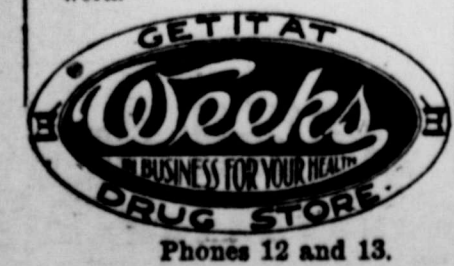
Mr. Terrell predicted that the present cash basis would continue until after July 15th, and declared that it was indicated that September 1st, beginning of the fiscal year, would find the state only about \$500,000 behind instead of \$3,000,000 as it was last September.

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WEST TEXAS COTTON LEADS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, June 2.—The cotton crop condition on May 25th, according to government report, was 65.60 per cent normal as compared with 71 per cent one year ago, and the 72.80 per cent average for the last ten years.

This showing was made today by the Department of Agriculture in its first report of the season.

The crop in Texas was rated at 66 per cent normal.

Special to The Ledger:

HOUSTON, June 2.—According to crop reports compiled by cotton brokers, wholesalers and financial institutions of this city, West Texas leads in both increased cotton acreage and condition of the crop. According to the report more than a third more acreage will be planted in West Texas this year than was planted in cotton last year, and the condition of the crop is estimated at 83 per cent.

Following is the report by sections:
North Texas—Increase in acreage 9.8 per cent; condition 71 per cent.

Northeast Texas—Increase in acreage 5.6 per cent; condition 66.8 per cent.

Northwest Texas—Increase in acreage 14.9 per cent; condition 79.4 per cent.

Central Texas—Increase in acreage 4.4 per cent; condition 70.1 per cent.

West Texas—Increase in acreage 34.3 per cent; condition 83 per cent.

West Central Texas—Increase in acreage 9.7 per cent; condition 72.3 per cent.

East Texas—Increase in acreage 6.4 per cent; condition 73.4 per cent.

Southeast Texas—Increase in acreage 3.9 per cent; condition 70.6 per cent.

South Texas—Increase in acreage 5.2 per cent; condition 79.3 per cent.

Average increase in acreage, 7.9 per cent.

Total estimated acreage for the state, (allowance for abandonment 2 per cent), 15,164,143 acres.

Average condition, 73 per cent.

Indicated production per acre, 138.7 pounds.

Estimate of crop, 4,396,460 bales.

NEGROES TAKE CAR TO JOY RIDE

Clarence McDavid and Sidney Wyatt, a couple of young negroes, are in the county jail with theft of an automobile charges filed against them. The negroes were in the act of getting away with an automobile when they ran out of gas, or for some cause the car went dead and they abandoned it in the outskirts of the city.

The auto, a Chevrolet was the property of J. H. Shoaf, of Dallas, a traveling man. Mr. Shoaf left his car parked in front of a local hotel Saturday night. It was missing Sunday morning, and the matter reported to Sheriff Flynt. In a short time a stranded car was reported and later identified by Mr. Shoaf.

Sheriff Flynt and his deputies picked up a clue which led to the arrest of the two negroes. They admitted taking the car, and claimed that they had no intention of stealing it, and only "borrowed" it to take a ride. Borrowing an auto without the consent of the owner is the same as stealing it, in the eyes of the law.

Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie returned Sunday from Sherman, where they had been to attend commencement at Kidd-Key College. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Maurine, who graduated at Kidd-Key.

Along the Concrete



PEDDY RESTS IN MAYFIELD CASE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, June 2.—Counsel for George Paddy, contesting the seat of Senator Earle B. Mayfield of Texas, told the Senate elections committee today that they had concluded their side of the case as far as offering testimony was concerned, and that they were ready to present the final arguments in the case. The argument will be delayed, however, pending further hearing of witnesses for Mayfield at this afternoon's session. It was stated that efforts would be made to finish the hearings by the end of the week.

HINTS COOLIDGE SOLD TO FORD

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, June 2.—Henry Ford's Muscle Shoals bid, and the attitude of the administration towards it was denounced in vigorous terms in a majority report of the Senate committee on the amended Norris bill for government ownership and supervision of the nitrate and power properties.

The report was drafted by Senator Norris, republican, of Nebraska, chairman of the committee, and makes repeated reference to what it terms Ford's withdrawal as a candidate for president, and his decision to support President Coolidge. The resolution assails in particular the plan to replace the properties of the Gorgas steam plant, which was sold to the Alabama Power Company.

Mrs. H. C. Bowmen, of Comanche, Oklahoma, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Fowler. Mrs. Bowmen is a pioneer Texan. She came to this state and located in Williamson county in 1875 and lived there until 1895 when she moved to Oklahoma, where she has resided since.

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CONGRESS SETS DATE TO QUIT

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, June 2.—The House today adopted a resolution calling for sine die adjournment of congress next Saturday. The Senate concurrence is required to fix this date for adjournment.

AMERICAN FLYERS OFF FROM JAPAN

NAGASAKI, Japan, June 2.—American airmen who are on the round-the-world flight, arrived at Kagoshima, Island of Kyushu, this evening, flying from Kishimoto.

THREE KILLED FIGHTING FIRE

(By Associated Press)
LITTLE ROCK, June 2.—One fireman is dead, one missing and two others are seriously injured as the result of a fire which early today destroyed the warehouse of the Stratton-Warren Hardware Company in this city.

WOMAN INDICTED FOR MURDER OF HUSBAND NO. 7

(By Associated Press)
RICHMOND, Va., June 2.—Mrs. Julia Stull, of Houston, Texas, was indicted here today for the murder of her seventh husband, Raymond Stull. It is alleged that Stull was murdered here several weeks ago.

Lester Lacy and Berl McKee, of Miles, were visitors to Ballinger Sunday.

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NARROW ESCAPE NINE ARE DEAD; AT ELM CROSSING MANY INJURED; IN COLLISION

Herbert O. Yarbrough, special agent for the Firemen's Fund Insurance Company, located at San Antonio, narrowly escaped death from drowning Sunday night when his auto washed off the causeway at the second Elm Creek crossing. A clear head and quick action is all that saved the traveling man's life. He lost his grip and other luggage he had in his car and the car was badly damaged.

Mr. Yarbrough was driving a Ford sedan and was en route to Ballinger from Abilene. He did not know that the creek was up and as it was getting dark he drove into the stream before he realized what he had done. The water killed his engine, and the swift current flopped the car over and carried it down stream. When the water subsided the car was on its wheels, and headed in the opposite direction from which it was traveling when Mr. Yarbrough drove into the stream. One of the glass doors to the sedan was partially down, and it was through this opening that Mr. Yarbrough made his escape, and being a good swimmer he made his way out.

As soon as he could get to town he reported the accident to the sheriff in order that the report might not get out that some one had been drowned and create an alarm.

The sedan was pulled out of the creek Monday morning and brought to town for repairs.

The second crossing on Elm Creek is a death trap during high water, and many travelers were

(By Associated Press)

ATTICA, Indiana, June 2.—Nine persons are known to have been killed and more than a score injured when a Wabash passenger train from St. Louis to Detroit, "sideswiped" a freight train ten miles West of here last night. Some of those injured are in a serious condition.

The passenger train is believed to have hit a split rail and crashed into the freight train which was standing on a siding. The engineer of the locomotive pulling the freight train, G. N. Borechard, of Peru, Indiana, was killed outright. He was the only dead person who had been identified early today.

BENEFIT TEA AND 42 PARTY

The Sunday School of the First Christian Church will give a tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Williams on Broadway from 3:30 to 6:00 Thursday afternoon, and a 42 party from 8:15 to 10:30 Thursday night. Tickets are on sale at Strain-Pyburn Drug Store for the party and everyone is invited. Admission 25 cents. 2-2td

tied up or had to detour Sunday. Rain in the Bradshaw country Sunday morning brought down a pretty good rise. It did not rain here and the travelers had no warning that the stream was on a rise.

MAEROY THEATRE

TWO DAYS—BEGINNING TODAY

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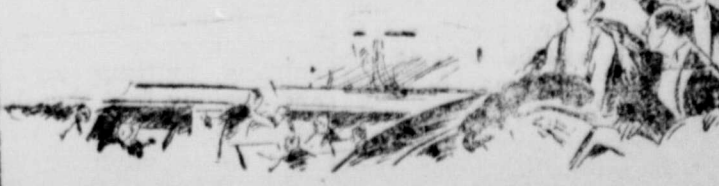
The years, like great black oxen tread the world, and God, the herdsman, goads them on behind. —W. B. Yeats.

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MEN AND CATS

The man who puts in most of his time worrying about politics and the national debt, and about extravagance in governmental affairs, is generally the fellow who neglects his own debts and affairs.—Ballinger Ledger.

Many of us fall into the soothing habit of blaming our own ineffectiveness upon the ineffectiveness of the government. If we had the right sort of government, we convince ourselves, our personal problems would be readily solved. But we may be too readily reconciled to that easy view-point. Life is an individual matter, and it is impossible to put two minds into one skull. In proportion as the individual uses his own mind in the settlement of his own relationship to people and things, in like proportion does he arrive at an understanding of himself and reliance upon himself. Kittens are born in litters and until they get their eyes open they are mainly problems devolved upon the maternal agent. But when they can see their way about, when they acquire strength and cunning, they become individualistic and self-supporting. Every kitten is an independent organism, and neither politics nor philanthropy can make the individual cats of a neighborhood into a conglomeration of felinity. Regardless of the hospitality or hostility of the housewife the cat fares well or ill in accordance with its own scheme of life. Government for man may be equivalent to housewifely authority for cats. Give the cat a benevolent mistress, and a life of ease may be had, as in the case of a fat bureaucrat in the service of the State. But give a cat a barn infested with rats and she will earn for herself an honorable living and daily exult in thrilling adventure. Give all the cats a purring place on the parlor sofa, feed them daily on cream and cheese, and the result will be obese and useless felines. But the rats will run away with the grain of the husbandman. Likewise, make all men creatures of government, standardized pets of political overlords, and the wheat and potatoes become the prey of rodents and beetles.—State Press in Dallas News.

Notice to Tax Payers

I am closing my assessments for the current year in about two weeks from June 1st, and have tried to see everyone, but realize that a few have not yet been assessed. Anyone who has not been assessed will please come in and give me your rendition, otherwise your property will appear on the unrendered roll.

Thanking you in advance for this courtesy, I am

Very truly yours

M. D. CHASTAIN, Tax Assessor.

VETERANS LEAVE FOR U. C. V. REUNION

M. L. Wood, W. S. Wade, M. Barbee and daughter, Mrs. Bettie Wood, of Paint Rock, W. H. Maxwell and wife, of Robert Lee; J. A. Maxwell and A. D. Tally, of Ballinger, left Sunday afternoon for Memphis, Tennessee, where they go to attend the U. C. V. reunion. Some of the party will visit their old homes and relatives in other states before returning to West Texas, and they will be gone about one month.

Mrs. R. A. Dickinson and son, Cecil, and Mrs. Garland Dickinson left Sunday for Fort Worth and Cleburne for a visit of a few days. Mrs. R. A. Dickinson will attend the annual family reunion of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Swift, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Thomas in Fort Worth this week.

Mrs. L. DeMerville, who had been here from San Angelo visiting relatives, left for Glen Rose Saturday afternoon to join Mr. DeMerville, who is recuperating at that place.

Read the ads and profit.

Pays Tribute to Our War Dead In Memorial Day Address

The following address was delivered by Judge Alfred Crager on Memorial Day at Evergreen Cemetery:

"As I stand here in this City of the Dead and see on every hand the evidences of battles lost in the conflict with the grim reaper; as I contemplate these marble slabs and granite blocks which mark in loving remembrance lives that were but which now have passed on—of lives which nevermore will with the greying dawn awaken to mount up the stairs of earthly endeavor: And then as I ponder this assemblage of people laden with flowers of every hue of God's beautiful rainbow, brought together to pay our respects, our tribute to sing our songs of praise; and as I think how few are the flowers we are strewing along life's pathway in the land of the living, how doleful are our songs of praise, how meagre the honor we bestow upon those all about us in the journey from the cradle to the grave, I feel welling up within me the exclamation of Paul of Tarsus of ages ago: 'O death where is thy sting.'"

"Yet even as I frame the words to give voice to that sentiment there comes into my mind, as it were, a picture. I am as though in a great historic theatre gazing into the magicians crystal ball. At the waive of the wand there in the distance I see three little ships tossed too and fro upon the bosom of the mighty deep. A sprig of evergreen has been picked up and now the crew and the cargo of human souls peer forward with anxious eye at the distant land just come in view. How glad they are. The long trip, treacherous, fraught with untold dangers and sickness is over. A new land stretches out before. New possibilities; new ideals; a new perspective; a new purpose. Behind them is the tyranny—the iron heel of the vicious overlords. Behind them is the stifled idealism of the land of limited possibilities. But here at Plymouth stretches out before them a vast unconquered domain. As I watch the panoramic view of History's field with its kaleidoscopic change, I see reaching out from beyond the sea, slowly but surely, the demon clutch of feudal fatalism and slowly its wraps octopus-like tentacles about the soft flesh of this new born babe America. Then quickly event pile upon events until at last bursting asunder the blackened night a light of liberty shines out from the old North Church tower and I hear the clatter of horse hoofs as Paul Revere starts that mad ride to spread the alarm of danger. The soldiery of freedom is gathered and the British army sent to destroy is in turn destroyed by the minute men of '76. America is wrested from the clutching hand of autoecracy.

"O death where is thy sting. In this they fought with a noble purpose for a noble prize. That purpose conquered—that prize was won but death cut its enjoyment from those who paid most. There is the sting. "I look again at the historic spectacle spread out before me and O how sad. Now I see a line drawn from the East into the West across the fair escutcheon of our country. A line marked in the soaking blood of fratricidal strife. Father has risen against son. Brother seeks the life of brother. Again we are in the struggle for principle. I hear the music of hoisterous drums, the voices of heroic bugles. I see thousands of assemblages and in those assemblages fair headed youth, grey haired men whose bodies soon are laid in the dust some of which are here about us. I see the marching throngs. I see the wives and husbands separating. How sad the parting—babes are kissed, mothers caressed and then he is gone, gone nevermore to return. I see them marching proudly under flaunting flags. I go with them to the gory fields of battle. I see them in the hospitals their bodies racked with pain. I hear the shriek of bursting shell. I see these heroes die while back in the homes wives, and daughters and mothers are knitting, knitting and praying and praying for the boys who never came home.

"O death where is thy sting. In this. Out of the strife came a Nation saved. A principle is purged in the cleansing blood of the best of a Nation. But death cut off from enjoyment those heroes who paid their most. There

is the sting.

"I gaze again into the crystal ball. Again I see the darkening clouds growing on the horizon. Again I hear the frantic orators. Again homes are disrupted and again American is plunged into the maelstrom of greed as it whirls its vile vapors from the seething caldron of Hell into a nation's face. Innocent blood is shed on the altar of selfish, unscrupulous grasping autoecracy and now again must our men and boys and now also our girls, don the uniform, shoulder the gun; must leave love behind and pay again the price of an ideal. How horrible a thing is war. How gastly the trail in its wake. Motherless boys and boyless mothers. Fatherless children and childless fathers. But from the time Pershing spoke those words in France, 'LaFayette, we come,' until the glorious day of the signing of the Armistice, our boys and our girls wrote the words in life blood upon the soil of France, in the prison camps of Germany, in far away Siberia: 'America is Free. America is safe. America is democratic.'"

"O death where is thy sting. A world has been made safe for democracy but those heroic saviors who paid their uttermost farthing lie planted in the dust. There's the sting.

"But there is another part to that sentence uttered so long ago. 'O Grave where is thy Victory.' Ah! death has a sting—'tis the sting of paying the price but reaping not the reward—but the grave holds not the victory. Hated autoecracy is overthrown. Human souls are salvaged from slavery. The ideal of Patrick Henry is accomplished. It took death but we have liberty. It took an altar of sacrifice but our homes are safe. It took war and destruction and blood, but thank God there is now no North or South no East or West but one united land.

"All progress of the world has been made through pools of blood. All upward trends of

humanity have been by the way of the altar of sacrifice. All these blessings of liberty we now enjoy because of the heroic efforts of men willing to give their all in the War of Independence, in the Civil War, the Spanish War, the World War.

"We have with us some of whom all was not required and we owe them deepest honor because they were willing to pay and to those of whom the all was required let us everyone with one accord acclaim—We will never forget. We will never forget."

GAME WARDENS KEEP GOING WITH MERCURY AT 78 BELOW ZERO

(By Associated Press)

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, June 2.—Frank Dufresne, fur warden at Nome, and his trail assistant, Fay Delezene, a noted northern dog musher, encountered some of the coldest weather known in the territory during a trip last winter to the North of the Arctic Circle.

Leaving Nome on the 1,474-mile journey, the two first traveled to Safety, then to Bluff, across Norton Sound to the reindeer station; thence to Unalakleet and Kaltag, up the Yukon River to Nulato and onto Koyukuk. From Koyukuk they followed the military telegraph line and Yukon River to Louden, Ruby, Kokrine, Birch, and Fort Gibbon. They next struck North to Allakakat, swinging West in a circle to Shungnak and down the Kobuk River to Noorvik, Kotzebue, Keewalik, Candle and overland to Norton Sound and Nome.

For ten days at one stretch the mercury registered from 62 to 78 degrees below zero, according to Dufresne.

"An interesting fact," said Dufresne, "is that when the thermometer registers 60 degrees below or colder, animal life ceases to move and burrows into the snow, remaining there until the weather warms up."

W. W. Chastain, traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery house, is taking a vacation. He will visit different point and recuperate in an effort to regain some of his good health.

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LIVED LONG ON HOPE AND WATER

But Entombed Miners Did
Not Establish Record

Surprise has been expressed that the men rescued from the flooded pit near Falkirk, Scotland, were able to exist for nine days "on hope and water."

In point of fact, it was just because these men had fresh water and did not abandon hope that they not only survived their horrible imprisonment, but were actually able to crawl down to the shaft bottom, unaided, to join their rescuers.

For a healthy man a nine days' fast is, in itself, no very dreadful ordeal. There are indeed plenty of people who habitually fast at intervals for from three to seven days simply for health's sake, observes Henri Pickard in the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Not, of course, that there is any comparison between lying comfortably in bed without food and existing in the pitch darkness of a flooded coal pit, breathing bad air and always under the hideous uncertainty of whether you will ever get out or not.

Even so, these miners were not so badly off as a shipwrecked crew in an open boat. The mere fact of having water all around you, yet none to drink, is literally maddening. Yet the survivors from the Medusa, wrecked in the year 1876, managed to live through 13 days on a raft, without food or water, exposed, too, for much of the time, to a burning sun.

Of miners the longest entombment of which we have any record is that of the last survivor from the Courrières mine in France, after the awful explosion of March 6, 1906. He was, in all, 26 days below ground before being rescued. But he had food for the first week of his imprisonment.

Doctors are divided as to how long a man can exist without food. Professional fasters, such as Doctor Tanner and Sued, have abstained for 40, even 50 days on end, and there is a case reported in the Lancet of 1853 of a man of sixty-two who refused food for four months and recovered.

The period of fasting before death varies with different individuals. Generally speaking, a healthy person can go without food until he or she has lost one-third of the bodily weight.

But different people do not lose weight at the same rate. Sued, for instance, lost 34 pounds 3 ounces during a 40 days' fast, but Jacques, the champion faster, lost only 28 pounds 4 ounces in the course of his record fast of 50 days.

Medical jurisprudence assumes that a fat person will live longer without food than a thin one, for, like the hibernating bear, a fasting man consumes his own fat.

The muscles, too, lose much weight; even the skin and hair decrease in weight during the fast. The only part of the body which loses nothing is the heart.

Explaining the Sexton

Schoolboys in a Munich suburb were instructed recently to write a composition about the sexton in the local church, and the following effort attracted so much attention that it is being reproduced in many Bavarian newspapers:

"The sexton is a useful man. He rings the bells at five o'clock in the morning so the people know they may sleep two hours longer. At eleven o'clock he rings the bells again, indicating to the farmers in the field that they should become hungry. In the evening there is more bell-ringing which indicates to small children they will get their ears boxed if they do not run home rapidly. Sometimes the sexton is very troublesome, especially when he rings at night to announce a fire. The sexton thrives on weddings, christenings and the dead. He earns the most money through death. Therefore he is glad when many people die."

Grand Mesa Forest

President Coolidge, on March 11, changed the name of the Battlement National forest in Colorado to the Grand Mesa National forest. The new name describes the principal topographic feature of the entire mountainous part of that region. Grand Mesa proper comprises the very important southwestern arm of the national forest upon which the principal irrigation water of the vast farming region surrounding it is impounded in artificial reservoirs, to be discharged in the periods when needed for agriculture. It is also an attractive recreation and fishing grounds for the population surrounding valleys as well as the traveling public.

Fashion Notes

Conde Nast, the eminent New York publisher, said at a recent luncheon: "One test of a fashion is its effect on husbands and fathers. I have seen some evening gowns that won't stand the test."

"A pretty girl in one of these gowns said the other night:

"My people object more and more to all my evening gowns, yet there is less and less to object to all the time."

Largest Newspaper

In 1859 there appeared in New York the largest newspaper on record, measured by the size of the sheet. The dimensions were 9 by 6 feet. It was called the Illustrated Quadruple Constellation, and consisted of eight pages. For eight weeks 40 persons were busy with its compilation. It was intended by the founders that a copy should be issued every century.

CAR WRECK MAY PROVE FATAL

Miss Mattie Fay Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Reed, of Winters, was reported to be in a serious condition, another young lady of Winters was slightly dazed and LeRoy McAuley of Ballinger suffered a severe bruise on the head and a black eye as the result of an automobile wreck about three miles North of Winters early Sunday night. Miss Reed was reported to be suffering from a fractured skull, a broken collar bone and other injuries, which it was feared would prove fatal.

A man by the name of Clark, it is alleged, was responsible for the smash. According to the story of the wreck as related by different parties, LeRoy McAuley, Willard Wooden and a couple of young ladies of Winters, were traveling in Mr. McAuley's Ford, driving at a moderate rate of speed, when Clark, driving in the same direction, at a high rate of speed and crashed into the rear end of the Ford. Clark was driving a Buick six and was in the act of passing the Ford when the rear end collision resulted. The Ford remained right-side-up, but was badly damaged and put out of commission. The big Buick turned a flip and rolled over, and was completely wrecked. Miss Reed, who was in the car with Clark, was removed from the wreckage in an unconscious condition, and last reports stated that her condition was serious.

The parties who were riding in the Ford were picked up and carried to Winters by another car, and later Messrs. Wooden and McAuley returned to Ballinger. The Ford which was left at the scene of the wreck was stripped by thieves Sunday night. All five casings, and the battery were stolen.

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AIR POSTMAN IN ALASKA RAPIDLY GROWING RICH

(By Associated Press)

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, June 2.—Carl B. Eielson, the air postman flying between this city and McGrath, Alaska, a distance of 350 miles, is one of the best paid men in the aerial mail service, according to the local postmaster.

Eielson received \$2 a mile or about \$700 an hour. The government furnishes the plane and pays for repairs. Eielson purchases the gasoline and oil and provides the field and hangar. He made his first flight in 1917 at Riverside, California, while a cadet in the army air service.

Sheep Sheared Electrically

(By Associated Press)

DIXON, Calif., June 2.—With electrically operated clippers, 12,000 head of sheep were sheared in less than nine days on a ranch near here recently. The crew sheared at the rate of from 1,400 to 1,500 sheep daily.

THEATRES MOVIES

ONE OF BIGGEST FILMS OF YEAR AT MAEROY THEATRE

"Black Oxen," a Frank Lloyd production released thru First National Pictures, and featuring Corinne Griffith and Conway Tearle, is to be the photoplay offering at the Maeroy Theatre today and tomorrow, and the booking is looked upon as one of the big cinema events of the season.

The best selling novel of 1923, in book form "Black Oxen" is said to have been greatly enhanced by the elaborate filming. Dealing with the romance that develops when the rejuvenated Madame Zitianny returns to the United States on a business trip and finds the first true love she has known, "Black Oxen" presents more than usual interest to picturegoers, it is said. Mr. Lloyd with the aid of Mary O'Hara, prepared the scenario from which the film was made, and as a result critics state, the story runs its length with pleasing rapidity and increasing interest.

Corinne Griffith, regarded as one of filmdom's most beautiful and smartest dressed stars, essays the difficult dual character of Madame Zitianny, and Conway Tearle has been cast as the romanceless newspaper writer, Lee Clavering. Clara Bow, a 17 year old girl who but recently made her screen debut, was selected for the role of the flapperish Janet Ogleshorpe from more than fifty well known screen ingenues and established flapper types; Alan Hale is seen as Prince Moritz von Hohenbauer; Kate Lester, as Jane Ogleshorpe; Harry Messtayer, as Jim Ogleshorpe; Claire Mac Dowell, as Agnes Trevor; Clarissa Selwynne, as Cora Dwight; Tom Guise, as Judge Trent; and Lincoln Stedman who as Donnie Ferren had a weakness for parties and an utter disregard for Mr. Volstead and his ideas.

Miss Griffith wears more than \$50,000 worth of fashionable furs.

and gowns during the production and the costuming of members of the supporting cast has cost nearly the same amount.

Herb Rawlinson and Alice Lake Co-Star in Picture

Herbert Rawlinson and Alice Lake for the third time are working together in "The Dancing Cheat," Universal attraction, which is being shown today and tomorrow at the Fo-to-sho Theatre. The screen story was adapted from Calvin Johnston's story, "Clay of Ca'lina," by Raymond Shrock, and was directed by Irving Cummings.

Early in her screen career Miss Lake played with Rawlinson in "Come Through," the picture that established them both as stars. A year or so ago Miss Lake was called to Universal City to play with Rawlinson in "Nobody's Bride," and again the two scored.

The story is that of a man of Southern breeding, imbued with the ideals that prevailed in the old days of Southern aristocracy, who leaves his ancestral acres in quest of greater fortune. He falls in love with a woman who is of a social sphere foreign to anything he has known heretofore.

This love is returned, but the woman is forced by a blackguard husband to aid him in plotting against the man she loves, and the man believes that he has been made a tool of the woman's duplicity.

Edwin J. Brady Robert Walker, Jim Blackwell and Marmion MacGregor are a few of the well-known screen players in the supporting cast.

M. McGregor returned to his home at San Antonio Saturday afternoon, after spending a few days here on business and visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. McGregor.

Good longer "wants" column

LABOR BOARD BILL IS ABANDONED

WASHINGTON, June 2.—The House supporters of the Barkley bill, designed to abolish

the United States Railroad Labor Board abandoned their fight today and gave up all hope of being able to enact the measure into a law at the present session of congress.

Maeroy Theatre

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First National presents David Belasco's most popular story

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Roanoke, Texas.—"I was ill for weeks, not able to do my work. I had feminine trouble of a serious nature. At evening I would have high fever and my back and head would ache day and night. The doctor wanted to give me treatments, but my druggist advised my husband to get a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Before I had taken the first bottle I felt so much better I bought another, and before I was thru taking that I was well."—Mrs. R. E. Cunningham, Route 1.

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Mr. and Mrs. Estes Lynn are entertaining a fine baby girl born to them Monday afternoon.

SCHOOL GIRL WINS \$300 STORY PRIZE

Special to The Ledger:

CHICAGO, Ill., May 30.—Pearl Graves, a sophomore in the Union High School at Lemoore, California, was today proclaimed national champion in the National Meat Story Contest, carrying with it a cash award of \$300. The winning story was written on the subject, "Meat and How I Cook It." This announcement was made by the National Live Stock and Meat Board, which conducted the contest among the high schools of the United States.

The United States was divided into four districts and Miss Graves' story on meat was first picked as the best in the western district. As district champion she was awarded \$100. Eva Beatty of Centralia, Ill., carried off championship honors in the central district; Ruth Prittie, of Carthage, N. Y., in the eastern; and Emily Scott of Memphis, Tenn., in the southern. In the final judging the California girl's story won out over those from the other sections and the victory brought an additional \$200, making her total award \$300.

Charley Bailey is at home from Galveston, where he has been attending medical college, and will spend the summer in Ballinger.

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Locals

George Poe, of the Winters country, joined his sister, Mrs. J. J. Bugg of this city, and they left Monday for a visit to Mertzon.

Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie of Ballinger are here to attend the graduating exercises of Kidd-Key College, at which their daughter, Miss Maurine, receives her diploma.—Sherman Correspondent in Denison Herald.

Arno Schawe and wife came in from Waco Sunday. They will spend a day or two with Mr. Schawe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schawe.

Mrs. J. D. Motley and children are away for a month's visit to Junction, Kerrville and San Antonio. Mr. Motley carried them to Junction Saturday afternoon, returning home Sunday. "Doug" will now put in some extra time selling stock in the Runnels County Fair Association to lady investors.

Many Birds Named From Their Songs

Some birds, as the whippoorwill, the phoebe and the bobolink get their names from their songs, which are supposed to resemble the words, says the Kansas City Star.

The name of the grackle comes from its cry, "Gra, gra," by way of a Latin word. Pigeon comes from the Latin pipere, to peep or chirp.

Robin is supposed to be an abbreviation of Robert, which name is from the old High German language and means "bright in fame."

Petrel is a diminutive of Peter. The petrel skims the surface of lakes and the sea, near which it makes its home. The name is believed to have reference to St. Peter's walking on the water. The stormy petrel, supposed to foretell storms, is the bird known as "Mother Carey's chicken."

The mistle-bird, largest of the European thrush family, is so named on account of its partiality for a diet of mistletoe berry. The word comes from the German, mistel, meaning mistletoe. The mistle-bird sings loudest just before a storm and is sometimes called the storm cock.

Oriole comes by way of the French from the Latin aureolus, diminutive of autumn, gold, so called because of its bright plumage.

Finch is an old Anglo-Saxon word and means brisk, smart or gay, words which well describe the birds which bear that cognomen. The grosbeaks, which are allied to the finches, are so called because their bills are gross, that is, thick.

The kingfisher is a king among fishing birds, and so is called after the masterly way in which it obtains its prey.

Sculpe comes from the German and means a bill, or beak, in reference to the long bill of the bird.

Dove is from the Anglo-Saxon and means to dive. Duck comes from the fowl's habit of ducking under water. The gadwall duck gets about easily; it "gads" well.

The pheasant derives its name from the Phasis, a river in Asia Minor. The guinea fowls of the farmyard get their name from Guinea, in Africa, whence they originally came. Turkeys, natives of America, were erroneously supposed to have come from Turkey, and were so called.

U. C. V. MEET TO TEXAS NEXT YEAR

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, June 2.—Events of special interest to Texas probably will take place at the 34th annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans which opens next Wednesday for three days at Memphis, Tennessee.

One of these events will be the probable selection of a Texas city for the next meeting place. According to the custom of handing and reunion around among the Southern states, Texas is now in line for the 1925 meeting. Dallas and Houston are candidates for the honor. The reunion was held in Dallas about 14 years ago and in Houston five or six years ago. The meeting will likely go to Dallas.

Another event of interest to this state will be the election of a commander for the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Lon A. Smith, state comptroller of Texas, who for four years has been head of the Texas division of the organization, is in line for advancement to the commandship if he desires it. He has held the division command of Texas longer than anyone else. He stated, before leaving for Memphis to attend the meeting, that he would not be a candidate, but would accept if the position was offered him. The present commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is Col. W. McDonald Lee, of Virginia.

Some 2,000 Confederate veterans and their friends will go from Texas to it is estimated. Special trains are to be run from Dallas, Houston and Waco, and two special coaches will go from Austin.

The meetings of Sons of Confederate Veterans and Daughters of Confederate Veterans will be held tomorrow, the day preceding the main reunion of veterans.

Senator Smith will deliver an address tomorrow night in presenting the Daughters of Confederate Veterans to the veterans of the South.

A statue to Jefferson Davis is to be unveiled in Kentucky by the Daughters of the Confederacy.

The 25th annual reunion of the Confederate Memorial Association also is to be held from June 3rd through June 6th. Mrs. A. McD. Wilson is president-general of this organization.

TO CITY TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS

In order to assist us in the billing of the June rental for telephones those city subscribers who wish to maintain a single line telephone service are requested to call 19 and notify the manager's office of their wishes. To those who do not understand the two party selective service we will be glad to explain.

M. C. ATKINS, Local Manager. 27-tfd

Mrs. J. W. Lumpkin and daughter, Mrs. Vera Maddera, and daughter, Virginia, were here from Miles Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schwartz.

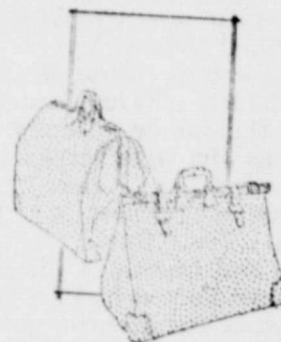
LIVESTOCK AT GOULDBUSK HAVE A MOUTH DISEASE

Veterinary J. M. Tuck, accompanied by County Judge S. J. Pieratt, went out to Gouldbusk Tuesday to investigate a malady among livestock on the premises of L. K. and T. W. Wardlow.

The animals, including horses, cattle and dogs, were said to have a mouth disease which prevented the animals from eating and which appeared to be contagious. The affected animals have ulcerated tongues and swollen throats. There has been no casualties among the horses or mules but a dog and a calf is said to have died, presumably from the malady.

Dr. Tuck prescribed treatment for the malady and advised keeping the animals under quarantine to await further developments. Judge Pieratt suggests that all persons who have live stock keep watch to see if the malady becomes epidemic and in order to take precautionary measures to prevent its spread. The malady is said to have no relation to the dreaded foot and mouth disease.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

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Mrs. Morgan Jones and children came down from Abilene Monday. Mrs. Jones is here to look after her music class and the children came with her for a visit.



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