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Her Effect On Jury Is Debated

Baptists Lead Off In Easter Drive Upon Sin

M'CONNELL OF OKLAHOMA AT REVIVAL HELM

Selecman Of Dallas Will Take Up Campaign For M. E.'s Soon

SERMON IS FORCEFUL

Too Many Intelligent People Do Not Believe Bible, Speaker Says

The opening gun of the pre-Easter campaign for Christianity in Wichita Falls was fired by Baptists of the city Monday night when Dr. Lincoln McConnell, noted pastor, author and lecturer of the First Baptist church at Oklahoma City, began a series of revival sermons.

Baptists, under the generalship of Dr. McConnell will scarcely have brought their crusade to a climax when the Methodists of Wichita Falls will begin an offensive against sin under the leadership of Dr. C. C. Selecman, president of Southern Methodist university, who begins a revival at First Methodist church, Sunday, March 29.

The Oklahoma City pastor touched off the Baptist salve for more Godly living with the demand that "the greatest need of today is not the conversion of the ignorant and lowly but of the vast multitude of intelligent people who don't believe the Bible, but think it is only a history filled with exalted ancient superstition combined with sweet sentiment."

"The reason we have so few genuine convictions and conversions nowadays is that so many people do not believe in sin. They do not believe that the careless sinful things they do every day are wrong, and therefore do not see any necessity for repentance," the doctor declared to the large audience gathered to hear his opening sermon.

Fired close on the heels of his volley at unbelief came the barrage against sin.

Sin Is Deadly

"Sin, no matter how small, is a deadly, damning thing that God cannot view with favor.

"Man is a hopeless, helpless sinner. Everyone of us sin. And we are helpless outside of the supernatural power of God almighty.

"None who have sinned can save themselves, regardless of the popular modern belief that man is able to do anything he wants done.

Later, he fired a broadside at ministers everywhere, declaring, "Preachers all over the country are preaching 'Peace, Peace,' to prosperous contented congregations who are not at peace with Almighty God. Every false religion presumes that man is better off and that he is more capable than he really is. The 'Peace, peace' doctrine sends men to their own sin."

Turning his attention then, to the greatness of the gospel, he stated that its greatest power lay in teaching the sons of men the truth about God and Jesus Christ, pointing out that theology, philosophy, psychology and other "ologys" had brought men to think he was dead is just the name of a

The dead a great teacher, a great the mere thing but the great son of God, solely conceived and divinely inspired."

Christ Saved Lost

"Christ did not come to prove the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man as one theologically inclined sister told me once, He came simply to save the lost from sin," Dr. McConnell stated forcefully.

The doctor declared himself a keen student of psychology, but challenged psychic healing, psychological power or mental suggestion to rival the magic of Christian conversion and the super-natural power of the Holy Spirit to regenerate a man's soul and cause him to quit immoral living.

"There isn't a cynic, a sinner, a skeptic, an agnostic nor an atheist in Wichita Falls that can resist the power of Almighty God and the magic that can change his beliefs and his life."

Walk and Pray

In his talk about the coming sermons, Dr. McConnell asked his audience to "pray while you walk."

"I'd rather have one prayer while you walk than 10 on your knees.

"Pray as you walk about your daily tasks instead of waiting until bed time to think of the great work that lies before us in this campaign for the next two weeks."

Dr. McConnell arrived in the city only a few moments before making his appearance, and spoke only 20 minutes.

His sermons will be delivered daily for the next two weeks at 10:30 o'clock each morning and at 7:30 o'clock each evening. Rev. O. L. Powers, pastor of the First Baptist church, is in charge of services, and W. E. Young and Vaughn Roy have charge of the musical program.

The Day In Washington

The supreme court recessed for three weeks.

General Pershing was named head of the Tacna-Arica plebiscite commission.

The Northern Pacific land grants continued a subject of inquiry before a congressional committee.

President Coolidge ordered an investigation into the necessity of using federal funds to pay for national guard drills.

Secretary Kellogg and Mr. Torrients signed the Isle of Pines treaty between the United States and Cuba.

President Coolidge invited the 48 states and all foreign governments to participate in the international exposition at Philadelphia, June 1 to November 30, 1926.

YOUTHS' ILLS TO BE STUDIED IN EVANGELISM

Raybon Porter Will Lead Discussion During Two Week's Discussion

"What Ails Our Youth," was the topic chosen Monday evening by the evangelistic committee of the Young People's Council of the First M. E. church, at a short meeting, for study the next few weeks leading up to and during the revival services to be conducted for two weeks beginning Sunday, March 29 by Dr. C. C. Selecman, president of S. M. U. at Dallas.

The committee, headed by Raybon Porter, religious educational director for the First M. E. church south, will sponsor daily discussions, preceding the revival sermons on the subject, "What Ails Our Youth." Intensive study of practical problems will be made at the workers meeting which are expected to be widely attended by the young people of the council.

A recently published volume by George A. Coe, of the Teacher's college at Columbia university, entitled, "What Ails Our Youth" will be referred to in the discussion, it was stated, the volume being one of the most talked of, of recent publications because of its intelligent discussion of modern young people and their problems.

Harry Emerson Fosdick's "The Meaning of Service" will also be used and studied, according to Mr. Porter.

Members of the evangelistic committee of the council sponsoring hte study are, Misses Alva Ruth Walker, Loreign Russel, Nell Warman, Marguerite Haynie and Mrs. Alice Whitehead; Messers. C. C. Donaldson, Geo. Sibert, J. W. Thorne and E. R. Highfill.

DANIEL WILL SPEAK.

Representative From This District Before University Club.

Roy J. Daniel, member of the house of representatives from this district, has recently returned from Austin and will address the University club Tuesday noon at their Kemp luncheon on the recent legislature.

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EVOLUTION MAY NOT BE TAUGHT IN TENNESSEE

Assembly Passes Bill To Stop Study In Any Schools

GOVERNOR SIGNS ACT

Would Stop Practice Of Denying Principles Of Bible

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 23.—Governor Austin Peay today signed a bill passed by the general assembly casting into discard the theory of evolution.

The bill bars the teaching of evolution from the public schools, normals and colleges of the states. The governor in a message to the legislature accompanying the signed bill, declared evolution "at variance with the teachings of man's creation as related in the Bible."

The governor defended his decision by declaring that the bill represented a "distinct protest against an irreligious tendency to exalt so-called science and deny the Bible in some schools and quarters—a tendency fundamentally wrong and fatally mischievous in its effects on our children, our interests and our country."

The bill contravenes neither "freedom of religion" nor "strict separation of church and state" the governor said these being "fixed principles in the country."

"It is manifestly impossible," the message continued, "for our school system to omit all attention to the Bible and to wholly ignore it," when, the governor reasoned, the Bible is "his holy word directly governing our relationship to the future state of rewards and punishments."

The new act makes it unlawful for any teacher in the universities, normals or other schools of the state which obtain state funds "to teach any theory that denies the story of the divine creation of man as taught in the Bible, and to teach instead that man has descended from a lower order of animals."

"It will be seen," the message pointed out, "that this bill does not require any particular theory on interpretation of the Bible regarding man's creation to be taught in the public schools." The reference was made to the clause in the constitution which guarantees "that all men have a natural and indefensible right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own conscience."

Gasoline in Tailor Shops Is Prohibited

In connection with Andrew Juliuson's death, in the Uneeda Tailor shop fire Sunday, Fire Chief McClure stated Monday that the practice of keeping gasoline in closed buildings was one of the most dangerous that could be practiced. Also, he said, it was the most dreaded menace with which firemen had to contend.

"I'm afraid of a quart of it," the chief said, "for it can do as much damage and is far more dangerous to handle than so-called high explosives."

The chief said his firemen always looked for gasoline when they entered burning buildings but that yesterday these two drums that blew up had not been noticed. He declared that keeping of the liquid in tailor shops hereafter would be absolutely prohibited and that he would take steps to have any shop closed up that was found to harbor it.

AMMONIA STOPS ROBBERY

Bandits Blow Up Vault But Can't Enter Because of Fumes.

GOODTHUNDER, Minn., March 23.—A gallon bottle of oil of mustard and ammonia, hidden between the vaults of the state bank at Goodthunder, frustrated attempts of several men to rob the bank early today.

When the robbers set off a charge of high explosives, the blast shattered the bottle containing the mixture and the fumes prevented entrance to the vault. The explosion caused $2,000 damage to the bank.

M. P. ROAD LOSES APPEAL

Supreme Court Rules Against Line in Tax Question.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Missouri-Pacific Railroad company lost a supreme court appeal today brought in an effort to set aside taxes assessed against it by the Walnut Ridge-Alicia road improvement district, Arkansas. The decision of the lower court upholding the taxes was affirmed.

THE WEATHER

Weather as reported by the Wichita Falls Electric company: Maximum temperature, 82; minimum, 50; at 8 p. m., 80; precipitation, 0; south breeze; clear; average wind velocity, 8 miles per hour; maximum wind velocity, 12 miles per hour; barometer, 29.14.

EAST TEXAS: Tonight partly cloudy, showers on the coast, warmer in the interior; Tuesday partly cloudy.

WEST TEXAS: Tonight and Tuesday generally fair, cooler in north portion Tuesday.

OKLAHOMA: Tonight partly cloudy, warmer in east portion; Tuesday partly cloudy, cooler.

Girl Is Contest Winner

MISS LORINNE ANDREWS, a Ryan, Oklahoma, girl, 14 years old, and a rancher, won the first prize of $5 offered by The Record News in the Baree dog story contest with her story of her dog, Bob.

Through her short but well written story, one becomes acquainted with her dog, his personality and talents, the work that he learned to do in ranch life, how he did it willingly, and through his cleverness and bravery saved his mistress' life.

Second prize of $3 was awarded to C. L. King of 406 Fourth street, city. His manuscript was very neatly written and his story the best submitted among the boys. "Dynamite," his dog, rescued one cold rainy night with a broken leg, grew to be his master's best pal and defender, so the story goes.

Miss Gladys Sherwood of 212 Seymour street, with her story of a heroic rescue of a tiny baby from a burning building by her dog "Toots" won third prize of $2.

The seven $1 prizes went equally to Miss Ruby May Adams, R. 4, box 131; Miss Virginia Calhoun, 316

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KLAN SCORES OVER KIMBRO IN SUIT TRIAL

Mouston Member Tells How Defendant Was Assailed In Galveston

HOUSTON, March 23.—Severe denunciations of George B. Kimbro Jr., were made by Boyd Collier, member of the Sam Houston Ku Klux Klan in a talk before the Galveston klan, A. S. Shepherd, former vice-president of the Galveston klan, testified here today in connection with Kimbro's suit for $500,000 damages to his reputation. The klan is seeking to recover $25,000 which it alleges was collected by Kimbro.

The witness stated that several other members of the klan made derogatory remarks about Kimbro. Shepherd will be cross-examined Tuesday.

Z. R. Upchurch's testimony was interrupted during the morning session by counsel's arguments. The ku klux klan scored when the court ruled that Kimbro was an agent of the organization. Kimbro has contended that he was the personal representative of E. Y. Clarke, of the klan propagation department.

Upchurch testified that Dr. Hiram W. Evans, imperial wizard, admitted to him (Upchurch) that he led a party which took a negro out of a Dallas hotel and branded him with "K. K. K."

Pershing Appointed Over Taena Avica

WASHINGTON, March 23.—General Pershing has been appointed to supervise the Tacna-Arica plebiscite.

The White House today announced his selection as head of the commission which is to oversee the election under the recent Chilean-Peruvian arbitration award.

RUSSIA IS EXTINCT

Letters Mailed to St. Petersburg Also Must Have New Address.

BERLIN, March 23.—"Country and city unknown" was the notation on a number of letters recently returned to the German postal authorities in Berlin which were addressed to "St. Petersburg, Russia." According to the instructions of the soviety postal authorities, letters for soviet Russia must be addressed "Union of Socialistic Soviet Republics." Otherwise they will not be delivered. And "St. Petersburg" now is Leningrad.

MURDER JURY AT ODDS

No Report Made in San Antonio Trial of T. L. Griffith.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—The jury in the case of T. L. Griffith, charged with the murder of George Mason by striking him with an automobile tire pump, had reached no agreement earl ytonight. The case went to the jury at 5 o'clock in the afternoon after the concluding argument for state by District Attorney C. M. Chambers in which the death penalty was asked.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE

MONTICELLO, Ky., March 23.—Peter Franklin, 55, and his five young children, Ira, Charlie, Cecil, Beatrice and Ilar, were killed at Frazier, in Wayne county, yesterday afternoon when a can of nitroglycerine exploded in the yard of the Franklin home it became known here today.

RAIN IN SOUTH TEXAS

SAN ANTONIO, Mar. 23.—Heavy rains are reported along the S. A. & A. P. railroad from Kennedy to Beeville, and light rains from Beeville to Sinton and Corpus Christi. An eight-hour drizzle fell from San Antonio to Kennedy.

CONFIRMATION HEARINGS FOR ORIENT START

Kansas City Judge Conducts Trial On Legality Of Railroad Sale

WOULD REORGANIZE

Owner Of Road Will Ask That Court Allow Him Free Hand

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—Hearing on the confirmation of the sale of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railroad to Clifford Histed, Orient attorney, began in federal district court today before Judge John C. Pollock.

Mr. Histed, who bought the Orient at a public auction at Wichita, Kan., March 28, 1924, for $3,000,000, and W. T. Kemper, were present to introduce plans for reorganization of the road.

Representing the English noteholders, who will oppose confirmation of the sale, was Frank M. Swacker, lawyer, of New York.

James M. Gifford, attorney of record for the trustees' corporation, another group of creditors, also was at the hearing.

A. H. Skinner, assistant United States district attorney, represents the treasury department of the United States which holds the first mortgage of $2,500,000 against the Orient to satisfy which the sale of the road was procedure.

The Kansas public utilities commission is represented by Jesse W. Greenleaf, a member of the commission. E. A. Boyd, attorney for the Orient, representing the railroad.

An intervening petition was submitted by Elliott Jones, of this city, who represented certain locomotive firms. The petition offered amendments to Mr. Histed's plan for reorganization.

Cyrus Crane, local attorney, offered on behalf of Mr. Swacker another objection to confirmation of the sale.

A lawyer representing P. S. Woods, Smithville, Mo., offered another. Mr. Woods was an unsuccessful bidder at the auction.

Judge Pollock denied all of the petitions, stating that ample opportunity would be given later for objection to prodecure.

Mr. Histed began to tell the story of the Orient, beginning with its organization in 1905.

Before the hearing was underway Mr. Gifford offered to file with the court a list of the stockholders of the railroad with amounts they invested. He termed it "a legal representation of $62,000,000," and insisted upon its acceptance when the judge said it might be filed later. He said he did not know what to do with such valuable papers.

Judge Pollock smiled and suggested that Mr. Gifford turn them over to "some more able bodied person."

The hearing was to determine whether the sale of the railroad at a special master's sale to Mr. Histed at Wichita a year ago for $3,000,000 should be confirmed. A plan proposed by Mr. Histed for re-organization of the road also was under consideration.

Judge Pollock today denied two petitions objecting to the sale and one proposing amendment to the reorganization plan. One of the petitions opposing confirmation of the sale was presented in behalf of English note holders and the other by an unsuccessful bidder.

One of the hardest blows the road suffered was when the government took it over in the war Mr. Histed said, in tracing its history. At that time Mr. Histed said the government announced it would not operate the road but later was induced to include it in the national system.

During government operation, Mr. Histed said, the railroad suffered through failure of managers to make active freight solicitations. When it was returned to its owners, Mr. Histed declared its credit was impaired and confidence of its patrons lost.

Outstanding bonds Mr. Histed stated, aggregates $31,000.000 which are collateral behind gold notes involved in the present plan.

Seven Jurors For Hobart Trial Chosen

FLOYDADA, Texas, Mar. 23.—Seven jurors had been selected this afternoon for the trial of Mrs. Ruth Hobart and Ernest T. Miller of Amarillo on a charge of murder in connection with the shooting to death of Mrs. Hobart's husband, E. W. Hobart in Amarillo last July. The two defendants were tried in Amarillo but the jury disagreed and the case was stransferred here.

FIND POISON IN BODY

Chemists Find That Minister in South Dakota Did Not Die From Heart.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., March 23.—(AP)—Chemists in the State university at Vermillion have found poison in the stomach of Rev. Robert E. Tarleton, pastor of the Community church here, it was announced today. He was found dead the morning of January 20, last, under mysterious circumstances. The body was discovered by members of the minister's family near his automobile in the family garage where he had fallen, supposedly from heart failure.

Officials here said the findings at the university would lead to a further investigation.

Opinion Divides On Mrs. Robertson As Weapon In Hands of State At Trial

The state played its trump card Monday afternoon when, in its effort to convict Frank Collier of the murder of Elzie Logan Robertson, it called to the witness stand Mrs. Hattie Robertson, mother of the 19-year-old youth for, whose death, the state insists, Mr. Collier must pay for with his own life.

Mrs. Robertson, carried from a sick bed and brought to the courthouse in an ambulance, was easily the feature of a day that brought the Collier case to within striking distance of the end. The defense rested in rebuttal at 4:40 in the afternoon, the state introduced one witness in sur-rebuttal and it was indicated that all evidence would probably be before the jury by noon Tuesday. The afternoon then, will be devoted to argument and the jury will start its deliberations when argument is completed Wednesday.

Attempt a Shattering State Blow.

In bringing the sobbing and grief-torn widowed mother of Buster Robertson before the crowded court room, the state attempted a shattering blow at the defense Collier's attorneys have thus far set up. If her testimony and demeanor on the stand carried the effect many though it did, she made a witness of untold value to the state's case. If, on the other hand, her appearance caused a reaction, as others think it did, she may have been less effective. That is a question that only the jury can decide.

Black-Shrouded Figure On Stand Sobs Brokenly As She Testifies

Her tenure of the witness stand was one marked by a constant flow of tears and constant outbursts of sobs. The pathos of the black-shrouded figure as it cried brokenly for "my boy, oh my God, my boy" reached many in the crowded room. Women made no effort to hide their tears. The jury watched her stolidly and Mr. Collier, his face resting in the palm of one hand did not take his eyes from the woman. His face, though worn and marked by the strain through which he has gone, was the same expressionless, unemotional mask it has been since the trial started.

On direct examination Mrs. Robertson related in detail the events of the tragic Valentine Night—February 14—when her son staggered and dropped in front of Collier's flaming pistol. She sobbed out a tale of her own actions; how she had plead with the that-time mayor not to shoot her boy any more; how she had knelt beside the already dying form of her son, lifted his head in her lap and implored him to "say one word to mother." But "he tried to move, then the blood gurgled—and he was gone."

That was one of the dramatic points of the day. Another was to come.

"Mrs. Robertson, did not hear Mrs. Collier saying anything after the fourth shot was fired? District Attorney James V. Allred inquired.

"Yes sir, I did."

"What did she say, Mrs. Robertson?"

"She said, 'lets roll the car back, Frank, so that his mother can see he's dead.'"

Witness Seizes Every Opportunity To Lash Back At Defense Attacks

Despite the pain and suffering she underwent, Mrs. Robertson made the most of her opportunity to lash back at Collier's defense which has introduced witnesses who assailed her home as one of corruption and shame. Tadlock, Windham, Chaplin, Box, Mullins, Nichols, Boland and the others whose testimony as defense witnesses branded her as the keeper and promoter of audacious indecency were branded with the lie. Most of them, she said, she didn't even know. None of them, she declared, had ever seen or heard of her doing the things they alleged she did.

Her cross-examination at the hands of defense attorneys was long and thorough. It shook her statements in spots but it did not break her in any important details.

A big thrill was provided by word that Mary Frances Collier had appeared at the courthouse. The girl who has been a central figure in the case conversed some with attorneys on both sides and later was taken in hands by newspaper reporters. That she will not appear as a witness is now an established fact, it seems.

When the state rested its rebuttal testimony at 2:05 the defense came back with rebuttal evidence that lasted until 4:40. This consisted of more witnesses who told of alleged illicit practices in the Robertson home.

The defense closed at 4:40 and one witness, Tom O'Bear, was called in sur-rebuttal for the state. District Attorney Allred announced when court had closed he had two more witnesses to examine and then his case would be closed. Speaking for the defense, C. I. Francis said that Mr. Collier had ten or twelve more witnesses who could be examined but that sur-rebuttal of the defense would be governed by what the state does this morning.

With arguments in line for today, Mr. Allred announced that Ben P. Allred, special prosecutor for the state, would open the summing up for the state. Bernard Martin, also a special prosecutor will be No. 2 for the state, and the district attorney will close.

Defense attorneys said they had not yet discussed the argument questions and hence could made no announcements as to how their addresses would be delivered. It is believed, however, that Mr. Francis will open, with B. Y. Cummings second and W. E. Weeks closing.

Declares Mrs. Collier Wanted Her To See Buster Was Dead

"Let's roll the car back, Frank, so his mother can see he's dead."

That, according to Mrs. Hattie Robertson, was the statement made by Mrs. Frank Collier a few minutes after her husband had shot and killed Elzie Robertson, Collier's 19-year-old son-in-law, on the night of February 14, and for whose murder the former Wichita Falls mayor is now on trial in the 89th district court.

This charge was the climax of Mrs. Robertson's testimony on direct examination when she was called as a state's witness Monday afternoon. It was given in connection with sobbing but emphatic denials that she had ever conducted a house of ill fame or had ever been guilty of immoral practices.

Comes In a nAmbulance.

Mrs. Robertson was brought from her home in a Merkle ambulance, sent for her by District Attorney James V. Allred when it became apparent that if she were used at all, she must be used at once.

Arriving a few minutes before 1:30 she was carried to the second floor of the court house and rolled down a side aisle of the long room to a point just at the side of the witness box. There she remained until court was called. The big crowd that held its seats during the extra long noonday recess craned its collective neck as she was pushed in by Arch Smith, the mortician who took charge of Buster's remains the night he was killed. With her was her son, Irving, and a neighbor woman.

Mr. Allred and Bernard Martin conversed with her in low tones for a moment. Mr. Collier watched her closely through all these preliminaries and did not divert his attention until a messenger boy, coming to the court house just at 1:30, handed him a telegram. He signed for it, tore it open and read it.

Keep Cart From Jury's Eyes.

As court was opened, Mrs. Robertson was lifted from the ambulance cart and placed on the witness stand. A pillow was put behind her head. She was dressed entirely in black and was heavily veiled. This was lifted, however, after she had taken her seat. Her face was chalky white and she dabbed a handkerchief to her eyes continuously.

The jury was not in the box when she was brought in, and it was not admitted to the court room until after ambulance cart had been wheeled back out of sight. Then they came in. As the twelve men took their seats, Judge Martin leaned over the top of his desk and spoke to her in a low tone of voice. Mr. Allred, also, talked to her briefly. Her son and the neighbor woman were given seats at the side of the room just a few feet from the stand.

Buster's Mother Is Sworn.

On instructions from the court, the woman lifted her right hand and was sworn. Her arm and hand trembled and waved as the oath was administered, binding her to tell "the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God."

Mr. Allred did the questioning.

"Your name is Mrs. Hattie Robertson?"

She nodded in assent, but if any sound escaped her lips it was not audible at the press table.

"You live in Wichita Falls, Texas, at 1301 Eighteenth street, I believe, Mrs. Robertson?"

Again she nodded but there was still no sound.

"You are the mother of Elzie Robertson, better known as Buster Robertson?"

For the first time, Mrs. Robertson said "yes sir," and accompanied it with some quiet sobbing.

DRAMATIC CLIMAX COMES IN TRIAL AS MRS. ROBERTSON QUITS

"My God, I tried my best to run a straight house and keep my children from going hungry, and now they're using everything I've done to make a living to convict me for the murder of my dead boy."

This was the dramatic conclusion of Mrs. Hattie Robertson's testimony in court yesterday after she had been on the witness stand for one hour and 65 minutes.

Buster's mother was placed on a stretcher and carried from the room, but only after the jury had been taken from her sight lest the appearance of the woman on the stretcher might have undue effect.

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State's Witnesses Again Defend Mrs. Robertson

Woman Who Helped Sew In Home On Stand

The state of Texas, in its efforts to send Frank Collier to the electric chair for the death on February 14, last, of Elizie Robertson, his 19-year-old son-in-law, launched another heavy attack Monday morning on the defense that the former Wichita Falls mayor has already set up.

The opening hours of the morning session of court were perhaps the dullest, least colorful, of any period since the trial started Monday morning, March 16. The state's rebuttal testimony was simply a long succession of men and women who testified to having known Mrs. Hattie Robertson, the dead boy's mother, and who declared, so far as they knew, that her reputation for virtue, chastity, peaceableness and law observance was "good."

Sunday's lull brought no diminution in interest in the case. Neither did its transfer from the 30th to the 78th district court rooms have any effect on the crowd that was on hand when court convened promptly at 9 o'clock.

It was the same crowd that had sat all week when details of Robertson's death and events leading up to it were unfolded from the witness chair. Women, as usual, prediminated. They were there, some of them, as early as 4 o'clock in the morning, court house attaches reported. They brought their lunches and were fixed for the day. The balcony aisles were overflowing and in the center space, especially, was crowded a bulky knot of persons who leaned far over the protecting rail in an effort to hear all that was said.

Court Room Filled.

Downstairs, every seat was filled. Chairs inside the rail were packed with local attorneys who were permitted to listen to proceedings from that vantage point. Two more out of town reporters, one from the Dallas Dispatch and the other from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, swelled the brigade at the press table.

Judge P. A. Martin rapped for order promptly at 9 o'clock but there was a delay of several minutes while a bailiff was sent to "inform state's counsel that court was in session." District Attorney James V. Allred and his corps of assistants were busily engaged in talking to witnesses in the corridor outside the court room—a corridor that was packed nearly as tightly as the throng inside. Opening of federal court in the room vacated by Judge Martin drew an additional jam to the court house, which yesterday saw what was perhaps the busiest day in its history.

Mr. Collier was present when court was called. C. I. Francis and B. Y. Cummings came in about five minutes after examination of the first witness had started.

First Witness Called.

After a deputy sheriff had told Mr. Allred court was waiting, he came in leading a procession of seven persons—two women and five men, and asked that they be sworn. This was done and all were sent out with the exception of Mrs. H. B. Hayes, 1206 Eighteenth, who was the first witness of the morning.

Questioned by Mr. Allred, she stated she lived about a block from Mrs. Hattie Robertson, that she knew Mrs. George Lawler, who lived in the same neighborhood and that on one occasion she and Mrs. Lawler had conversed briefly about Mrs. Robertson.

She was asked if she had ever said anything derogatory of Mrs. Robertson's character or the home in which she lived. The witness said she certainly had not. She had never seen or heard of any drinking parties or wild carousals at the Robertson residence, 1301 Eighteenth, nor had she ever noticed any large congregations of men and women about the place.

The direct examination was brief and Mrs. Hayes was passed over to the defense. The defense attorneys asked Mrs. Hayes to be more explicit on the extent of her acquaintance with Mrs. Robertson and just what her personal knowledge was of the Robertson home.

"About how long had Mrs. Robertson lived at Eighteenth and Bluff, Mrs. Hayes, before you and Mrs. Lawler had this conversation about her?"

"Well, I don't know exactly."

"Had she just moved in, do you know?"

"No sir, I think she had lived there several months."

"You hadn't been down to see her then, and were not acquainted with her?"

"No sir, I had sickness in my home and for several weeks I didn't even know she was living there."

The conversation between Mrs. Lawler and Mrs. Hayes, the witness testified, was a short one in which Mrs. Hayes merely inquired of other women if "she had been to call on the new neighbor?"

At Robertson Home.

Mrs. Lawler, Mrs. Hayes said, had made some statements somewhat condemnatory of Mrs. Robertson and the witness said she was surprised at this. Noting her surprise, Mrs. Lawler said nothing more and the matter was dropped.

On two occasions after Buster was shot, Mrs. Hayes had been at the Robertson home. Once was that night when she called to lend any assistance she could, and the other time was a day or so later. She had never been in the home prior to the tragedy, she testified.

Mrs. Hayes was not familiar with the names of Downing, Mullins, McKay, Sloan, "Slim" and others mentioned in the trial. She could not say, of course, whether or not such things had happened.

The testimony of Mrs. Hayes was typical of that of all the character witnesses called during the morning session. All stated that so far as they knew, nothing out of the ordinary had ever occurred at the Robertson home on Eighteenth or at the ones on Ninth and Lee streets prior to her moving to the one she now occupies. All of them knew her and most of them had had some perfunctory dealings with her, either as neighbors or as customers at her tailor shop over the drug store at Seventh and Indiana.

Cross examination drew from all of them admissions that they had never had occasion to be in her home except possibly a few minutes. None of them could recall ever having heard her character or reputation discussed.

Mrs. Kennedy Called.

Witness No. 2 of the morning was Mrs. J. L. Kennedy, 1304 Seventeenth street, who said she was the wife of a railroad man and the mother of five children. She lives within two doors of Mrs. Robertson and has known her four or five months, she testified.

"Mrs. Kennedy, are you acquainted with the reputation of Mrs. Hattie Robertson, and by that I mean do you know what people say about her as to her being a peaceable and law abiding citizen? Answer 'yes' or 'no.'

"Yes."

"Is that reputation good or bad?"

"Good."

"Now, Mrs. Kennedy, are you acquainted with the reputation of Mrs. Robertson as to whether or not she is

"Yes."

"Is that reputation good or bad?"

"It's good."

"Did you ever visit Mrs. Robertson in her home on Eighteenth street?"

"Yes sir, I have."

"More than once?"

"Yes sir."

"How many times have you visited there?"

"Oh, I don't know exactly, three or four maybe."

"What did you do there when you went to visit Mrs. Robertson?"

"I helped her sew."

"She took in sewing and mended and fixed clothes, did she not?"

"Yes sir, she did."

Other questions followed as to the work Mrs. Kennedy had done at the Robertson home, and then Mr. Allred asked:

Mrs. Kennedy, did you ever detect the odor of liquor around Mrs. Robertson's home?"

"No sir, I never did."

"Did you ever see any whisky there?"

"No."

"Did you ever see any wild or boisterous parties at the place?"

"No."

"Do you know that any were ever held there?"

"I do not."

"Did you ever see any large congregations of men or women around the place, and do you know that men and women ever went there for immoral purposes?"

"I certainly do not."

Mrs. Kennedy's cross examination was long and intense.

It was centered around her acquaintence with the mother of the dead boy and from it the defense attorneys sought to compel her to qualify herself as one whose actual knowledge of the Robertson home was sufficient to warrant her knowing of Mrs. Robertson's reputation. To all questions she answered that she had no knowledge of the alleged conditions at the place and had never heard of anything of that nature going on there.

The only women Mrs. Kennedy had ever seen in the Robertson home were Mrs. Hayes and her daughter who were there on one occasion to have a dress fitted. Outside of these two she had never seen any one entering or leaving the house, with exception of members of the family.

The witness was re-examined directly and questioned as to her knowledge of events on the night of the shooting. She gave statements that Mrs. Frank Collier, a few minutes after the pistol shots were fired, was standing on the ground at the side of her automobile, looking down at the dead boy on the ground.

"You are sure she was doing that?"

"Yes sir."

"Did you see Mrs. Robertson there that night?"

"Yes sir."

"What was she doing?"

"She was there on the ground, holding her boy's head in her arms."

"Was she saying anything that you could hear?"

"Yes."

"What was it?"

"She was just screaming and saying "oh my God, oh my God, he's killed my boy."

A short re-cross examination followed and then Cal Scott was called.

He testified he lived at 1219 Tenth street, had been in the city for about ten years and at one time had operated the St. James hotel here. He had been acquainted with Mrs. Robertson since the winter of 1920 and had had business dealings with her for several years. Scott said he was an agent of a Mr. Hines, a large property owner here, and had for a long time collected rent from Mrs. Robertson. When she lived on Lee St., he said he had rented a part of her lot and had kept a saddle horse there which required his going to the place each night and morning to feed and care for it.

Mr. Scott further testified as to the Robertson home on the river banks in what is known as "no man's land" prior to the time she moved to Lee street. He said the family then lived in an abode that was part a tent and part a shack that was located partly in Scott street and partly on a lot owned by Mr. Hines. The Robertson's he said, had never been able to pay rent when they were at that place and on only a few occasions had he ever talked to the woman.

So far as the witness knew, Mrs. Robertson's reputation for peaceableness and law observance as well as for virtue and chastity was "good."

The defense brought up, on cross examination, alleged domestic troubles of Mrs. Robertson and her husband, which have been remarked on several occasions. Scott was asked if he, in his visits through no man's land when he was collecting rent from tenants there, had ever heard of any quarrels between Mrs. Robertson and her husband, Jim. The witness said he knew the man had left his wife but that he didn't know the reason. Neither had he heard there had been any shooting in connection with the separation.

He Collected Rent.

Scott testified he had gone to Mrs. Robertson's tailor shop on Seventa street on several occasions to collect rent from Mrs. Robertson and that the only persons he had even seen in there was a man named Davis, who had a half interest in the place, a Mrs. Campbell who had also worked there, and the customers whom he chanced to find occasionally.

Going down to the time of the fire which destroyed the home in which Mrs. Robertson lived on Lee, the witness was asked if he remembered the night on which the house burned and if he had been there. He said he recalled it had been destroyed but that he hadn't been around.

"You don't know then, do you Mr. Scott, that Mrs. Wynne, a neighbor of Mrs. Robertsons, kept one of Mrs. Robertson's children until late at night and took it home and put it to bed just a short time before the fire, and that Mrs. Robertson was not there then, do you?"

"No sir, I don't know anything about that at all."

The cot or bed that was supposed to have been in the back yard of the Robertsons and which was mentioned in the testimony of one of the defense witnesses—Rousey, was next recalled.

"Mr. Scott, during those trips you made to Mrs. Robertsons to look after that horse, do you remember ever having seen a bed or cot out there in the back yard?"

"Yes, I believe there was something like that out there."

Scott had never heard of the red-headed niece named "Viola," whose home was said to be at Olney and who was alleged to have visited Mrs. Robertson while she resided on Lee street. Neither had he ever heard Mrs. Robertson's character or reputation discussed by any one up to the time of the shooting.

She Worked Hard.

Re-direct examination brought out the fact that when Scott had been in the no man's land neighborhood he had seen Mrs. Robertson hard at work, caring for her family, and that he also knew she not only worked at home but maintained the tailor shop up town.

R. L. Miller, 908 Firth street and formerly a peace officer of Wichita Falls, both as city policeman and deputy sheriff, testified to having known Mrs. Robertson a little over a year and to having taken tailoring work to her shop several times. He was one of the witnesses who had trouble saying that he actually knew her reputation before he told what it was. When asked "do you know her reputation" he answered "it's good," and this brought the usual objections from the defense. They were sustained by Judge Martin.

On cross examination he said he based what he said on what he had seen with his own eyes. However, he had never been in her home at any time, knew none of her associates and had never heard her reputation discussed.

Frank Collier, about a month before he shot Buster Robertson, saw the boy and Mary Frances Collier kissing each other in the parlor of the Collier home, Jack Story, a junior college student, testified.

He said that he and Margaret Smith were at the Collier residence one evening, that Buster and Mary Frances were in the parlor with them and that Mr. Collier was reading in another room adjoining the parlor. Story said he and Miss Smith were dancing and that Buster and Mary Frances were sitting on a chair or something embracing each other.

While this was going on, Mr. Collier came to the door of the room and said something to the couple. The witness had not heard what it was and had no idea as to its substance.

When the cross examination started, Story was questioned closely as to whether or not Mr. Collier had really seen Buster and Mary Frances embracing, or whether they hadn't "broken" when they heard him coming. Story said he was quite sure the "break" did not come until after Mr. Collier had reached the door.

They "broke pretty quick" when they saw Mr. Collier, the witness testified and "didn't resume" after he had gone again.

School Teacher Called.

The next witness called was Miss Bessie Stewart, public school teacher, who testified to knowing four of the Robertson children and to having visited the mother once before the shooting at the instigation of one of the little boys who wanted her to meet his mother. Miss Stewart's answers were clear and decisive and in every instance but one, the old question of "Are you or are you not acquainted with Mrs. Robertson's reputation for chastity and virtue?" entirely as the court demanded. "yes" or "no," or similarly concise and to the point.

Allred: "Have you ever been to Mrs. Robertson's home?"

Miss Stewart: "Yes; twice."

"When?"

"Once last January and once the night that Buster was shot. Defense counsel interposed here with the objection that the court was considering only the period prior to the actual shooting.

"What time of the day were they, Mrs. Stewart?"

"Some time after four o'clock?"

"How long did you stay?"

"Possibly fifteen or twenty minutes. It was getting dark early then and I didn't want to stay too late."

"When you were in the home did you notice any signs of any liquor around the house? Did you see any liquor, or smell any?"

"No, I have a very keen sense of smell, too."

"Was there anything boisterous about the house? Did you see any evidence of any wild party?"

"The only thing boisterous about the place came from the children, who ran around and made so much noise that I could hardly hear anyone. There must have been seven or eight of them there."

"Was there anyone else there?"

"Yes, one of my patrons. I don't know her name now but her children were named Brown."

"That was all?"

"Well, she had one or two of her children there."

"That was all?"

"Yes."

"Are you acquainted with Mrs. Robertson's reputation for chastity and virtue? It is necessary, Miss Stewart, to answer "yes" or "no" and to make no comment."

The witness hesitated a minute and finally stated that she had never heard anything against it. The defense objected before she had finished her sentence, and the district attorney repeated his instructions, and asked her the question again. This time the witness managed to add that her impression was good, still not complying with the state's requirements of a plain "yes" or "no."

The witness was passed to the state, Allred waiving further examination.

The Defense Cross-Examined.

"You were there only fifteen or twenty minutes, Miss Stewart?"

"Yes."

"You did not go into the back of the house?"

Miss Stewart replied that the night Buster was killed she had gone back to the house, but this answer was quickly stopped before she made other

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"Don't Make Me Tell All Those Things Again," She Implores Of Judge Martin

"Mrs. Robertson, how old was your son Buster; or how old was he at the time of his death?"

"He was 19 years old."

"When was he 19 years old, Mrs. Robertson?"

"He was 19 on the 7th day of November."

"He was 19, then, on the 7th of November last year?"

"Yes sir.

"Mrs. Robertson, how many children have you?"

"I have seven children living and three dead."

"MYSTERY MEN" APPEAR IN CUSTODY OF FRANCIS

One of the outstanding sensations of the Collier trial came Tuesday afternoon when Attorney C. I. Francis for the defense appeared suddenly in the courtroom with two men.

They stood before the court and Mrs. Hattie Robertson who was on the stand was asked to try and remember seeing them.

"I don't remember them," she said.

District Attorney Allred then demanded that their names be given. He apparently had never heard them before.

They were identified as "Richardson" and "Stone."

"But I'm not saying that they're giving their right names," said the defense attorney in a low voice.

"How long have you lived in Wichita Falls, Mrs. Robertson?"

"Well, really I don't remember exactly; about five or six years."

Several other questions were then asked as to the places in which she had resided during her stay here. She admitted having lived for a time in no man's land, then in the 500 block Lee street, later at 2015 Ninth and finally 1301 Eighteenth where she has since made her home.

"Now Mrs. Robertson, how long had your son, Buster Robertson, and Mary Frances Collier, the daughter of Frank Collier, the defendant here, been going together?"

"Well Mr. Allred I don't know exactly: I couldn't say; about a year and a half though, I think."

"Now Mrs. Robertson, they were married some time in June, about June 15, 1924, were they not?"

"Yes sir, I think that's when they were married."

"Now tell the jury, Mrs. Robertson, how did you find out about their marriage; who told you?"

"Buster told me."

"Buster told you about it himself, did he?"

"Yes sir."

"When was it he told you; Mrs. Robertson; when did he tell you about the marriage?"

"He told me that night after he came home."

The sobbing was continuing without intermission.

"Now, on one Saturday night, the Saturday night before Buster was killed, did you see Frank Collier?"

"Yes sir."

"What time of day or night was it you saw him, Mr. Robertson?"

"It was some time after midnight."

"Where was it you saw him, Mrs. Robertson?"

"He came to my house."

"Mr. Collier came to your house, sometime after midnight?"

"Yes sir."

Says Collier Asked for Buster.

"What did Mr. Collier say he wanted or who he wanted to see?"

"He said he wanted to see Buster a while."

"Was Buster at home then at that time?"

"Yes sir."

"Did you tell Mr. Collier he was at home then?"

"No sir."

"Why didn't you tell him Buster was there, Mrs. Robertson?"

"Well really, I was so excited and it was such a shock, because I didn't know him. I was expecting a message any time because my mother was real sick and when I heard the knock on the door I thought that's what it was."

"Did you ask him who he was and what he wanted?"

"Yes sir."

"What did he say?"

"He didn't say anything at all and he turned around and walked off. I called to him though, but he went on."

More questions and more sobs followed and then Mr. Allred asked:

"Now Mrs. Robertson, on the night Buster was killed, did he get any telephone messages?"

"Yes sir."

"How many calls come for him, do you know?"

"He was at the phone twice as well as I remember."

"Could you hear what was said at your home and what he said over the line, Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes."

"Do you know who it was he was talking to and what was said?"

"Yes sir, it was Mary Frances and she asked him if she and her father and her mother could come down to our house and talk to him. He had his hand over the phone while he was telling me that and he said: 'Mother, Bill'—he always called her Bill—he says, 'Mother, Bill wants to know if she can bring her father and her mother down here to talk to us,' and I said, Yes son, that will be all right and I'll be glad to have them come down.'"

Mrs. Robertson then related how, after waiting for some time and the Colliers did not appear, another telephone conversation was held between Buster and Mary Frances.

"Do you know what was said then, Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes sir."

"What was it?"

"Buster said Bill had told him her father and mother wouldn't come down to see us and she asked him if he would come and get her?"

"She asked him that did she?"

"Yes sir."

"And did she ask him how soon he was coming up?"

"Yes sir."

"What did Buster tell her, Mrs. Robertson?"

"He says, 'Bill, I'm on my way now.'"

"Between the times you were waiting for the phone calls, Mrs. Robertson, what did you and Buster do?"

"We sat there in the parlor and played the victrola."

"After that second telephone call from Buster to Mary Frances, what did Buster say to you then, Mrs. Robertson?"

"He said, 'Mother, Mary Frances wants me to come get her because her folks won't let her come to see us,' and he says, 'Mother, I want you to go with me, will you go?'"

"Buster asked you that, did he Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes sir. He told me he wanted to do what was right and he wanted me to come and go with him down to Mary Frances' house while we talekd to her and her father and mother."

"All right, what did you tell him when he asked you that, Mrs. Robertson?"

"I told him 'All right son, I'll go with you if you want me to."

"How soon, Mrs. Robertson, how soon did you start after Buster and Mary Frances had talked together that second time?"

"Well, she called him twice and we started pretty soon after that. It was cold and I didn't have any coat because I hadn't been able to buy any that winter and Buster got his overcoat and looked at it and said, 'Mother, my coat looks all right doesn't it,' and then he asked me to wear it and told me he'd wear his suit coat and wouldn't get cold at all, but I told him no, 'mother would wear her shawl and we'd be all right,' so I got my hat and shawl and we started."

Tells of Death of Buster.

Stories telling of the walk up Bluff from the Robertson home at Eighteenth to the corner of Seventeenth were then related. This brought the couple to the corner of Seventeenth and Bluff where they were waiting for a street car.

"Mrs. Robertson, after you got to the corner of Seventeenth and Bluff and were waiting for the street car, did you see anything of Mr. Collier?"

"Yes sir, they came up in their car and—"

Here the witness broke down and sobbed uncontrolably.

Sobs came audibly from all parts of the court room and the women who for a week past had sat and giggled at the seamy stories told from the stand stuck handkerchiefs to red eyes and let the tears flow freely.

As Mrs. Robertson continued her sobbing Judge Martin leaned over, spoke a few words to her in a low tone and then told her she must straighten up and answer the questions.

She raised her head and looked at the judge, and then sobbed out again. "Oh Mr. Martin, you don't know what I've been through and what I've suffered. Don't make me tell all those things again."

She regained her composure in a few minutes, however, and the examination continued.

Both Waved At Colliers.

"Now Mrs. Robertson, what did Buster do and what did you do when you saw the car coming up the street?"

"I knew it was the Collier car and I waved my hand and Buster looked at it and said 'mother, Mary Frances isn't there, where's Mary Frances?'"

"Well, when you waved your hand, did the car stop?"

"Yes sir, it ran up a little ways past the corner and then it stopped."

The witness then testified that it was running in a straight line for her home when it came south on Bluff and ran past the corner.

"Now Mrs. Robertson, after Buster had said to you 'mother, Mary Frances isn't there, where's Mary Frances,' what did you and Buster do?"

"We walked over toward the car."

"When you started walking toward the car, did you and Buster get clear to the car?"

"Yes sir."

Mrs. Robertson then detailed the killing of her son.

Another delay was necessary to allow Mrs. Robertson to regain her composure.

"Mrs. Robertson, between the time the first shot and the second shot was fired, did you say anything to Mr. Collier?"

"Yes sir, I said 'oh my God, he's killed my boy, he's killed my boy and I kept crying to him to stop."

"And before the first shot, Mrs. Robertson, did you say anything to him?"

"Yes sir, I grabbed hold of him and said 'please Mr. Collier, don't shoot' but he went on and shot anyhow."

"Now tell the jury, Mrs. Robertson, where was Mrs. Collier after the shooting; did you see her there and where was she?"

"Yes sir, she was out at the side standing by the car."

"Where was she before the shooting, Mrs. Robertson?"

"I can't say, she was out on the ground afterward though."

The district attorney then turned his attention to the charges the defense has made in defamation of Mrs. Robertson's character.

"Mrs. Robertson, have you ever kept whiskey in your home?"

"Indeed I have not, Mr. Allred."

"Have you ever allowed drunken parties of any kind to be staged in your house."

"No sir, I have not."

"Have you ever arranged for any dates at your house between men and women so that they might have immoral relations?"

"I certainly did not."

She was then asked if she ever knew Tadlock, Windham, Chapin,

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Woman Charged With Perjury Takes Stand Monday

Martin Grills Mrs. Mullins In Cross Exam.

Mrs. W. F. Mullins, a defense witness who has figured so prominently in the testimony introduced at the Frank Collier trial for the slaying of Buster Robertson, and against whom a complaint charging perjudy has been sworn out, was called by attorneys for Collier as a witness yesterday afternoon. Herewith is given her testimony, together with certain other defense witnesses which were called late Monday.

No sooner had the cross-examination of Mrs. Hattie Robertson at the hands of defense attorneys in the Collier trial yesterday afternoon, been completed, when the defense again began a battering assailment of Mrs. Robertson's home with another line of witnesses.

Following a short recess granted after Mrs. Hattie Robertson completed her testimony court convened at 3:20.

Judge Martin to the state: "Call your next witness, gentlemn."

Allred: "We rest, your honor."

Denfense, "Call Mr. W. P. Banks."

"What is your name?"

"W. P. Banks." He stated that his age was 40, that he was employed by the Fort Worth and Denver as a fireman and had known Mrs. Robertson for several years.

"Were you ever in a car with Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes, once. I sat in front with Sis Downing and she sat in the back seat with Alsabrook."

"Where did you go?"

"Out the Charlie road."

"When you got out there what did you do?"

"The Downing woman and I went down into a ravine."

State Takes Witness.

Allred: "You knew Mrs. Downing was married?"

"No sir. Not until I read about it in the papers."

"Isn't it a fact that you told Alsabrook a few days ago over on Ohio street that if there were a thousand dollars in this you might know something?"

"No sir, I don't remember saying that."

"Do you deny it?"

"No sir, I mean yes sir."

He was released and Rousey recalled.

Examining G. F. Rousey, defense counsel immediately began questioning as to his knowledge of that red-headed girl, "Viola."

He said he knew Viola and that he had had conversation with Mrs. Robertson concerning the girl.

"What did Mrs. Robertson ask you?"

"She asked me if I were going to help her niece."

"What did she mean by that."

"She meant was I going to help her in the shape she was in."

"What shape was that?"

"Mrs. Robertson said she was pregnant."

"And what did you tell her?"

"I told her I couldn't do anything."

He was questioned as to his work and age, saying that he was a fireman, 34 years old, and had been in his present place many years.

Cross examining, District Attorney Allred asked him if he had ever been convicted. This drew a storm of objection from defense counsel and although Rousey admitted having been convicted of possession of liquor it was not admitted as evidence.

Questions by District Attorney Allred then drew from him the fact that he has been married twice, and that he had three children by his first marriage. He reluctantly gave the name of his second wife, whom he said he married last October.

"Don't you know that Mrs. Robertson didn't know anything about your relations with Viola," demanded Allred.

"Well, she was there I guess," the witness answered. Allred forced him to say that he didn't know that Mrs. Robertson knew anything about it until later.

"As far as you know Mrs. Robertson is a good woman?" questioned Allred.

"I don't know."

"You don't know of your own knowledge to the contrary?"

"No."

"Did you know that Viola is married, lives in Dallas and that she has children and is a respected wife?"

"No."

He was then questioned closely as to how he happened to be summoned as a witness but stuck to the statement that the first he knew was when he was summoned.

Oil Man Is Called.

The defense then summoned one of the men who had been introduced as "exhibits" for Mrs. Robertson to identify earlier in the afternoon. His name, he said, is John Richardson an oil man "who is drilling in four counties."

After a short delineation of his identity, he was asked if he ever went down to Mrs. Robertson's house.

"Yes," he said, "three or four times, with Stone."

"Tell the jury just what happened."

"Well, the first time Mrs. Robertson was there, another man, and another couple. They were all drinking, I think. They offered me some of whatever they had but I stuck to my guns and did not drink.

"How long were you there?

"Only a short time."

"Was anything said about women?"

"Yes. Mrs. Robertson said she knew a nice young married woman."

"Did she call anyone?"

"No."

Cross examined, Richardson said that he was married but that it was a war romance and that his wife got a divorce. He has never heard of her since, he said. He denied that he was forced to marry the girl saying that he stayed with her only a few weeks and then took her home.

A sharp clash developed when it was sought to find out where he lived.

"Anywhere I hang my hat. Anywhere my business calls me," he said. "I have no one to care for but myself."

He denied that he knew anything about being called as a witness until he was served and declared that he did not want to testify but was told he had to.

Questioned by Bernard Martin, he startled the prosecutor when he said that he sat "in this court room" all week while the case was being tried. He later explained that he sat in the 78th court room while the case was being heard in the 89th court room.

"Don't you know that this testimony of yours is a lie," suddenly demanded Martin, shaking his finger at Richardson.

Richardson hesitated a moment, his face growing momentarily pale. "No," he said. "It is the truth."

Martin then shook his finger again at the man and said:

"Don't you know it is manufactured evidence?"

"It is not," said Richardson.

Martin dropped his questioning of the witness and Mrs. W. F. Mullins appeared. Mrs. Mullins is the woman who was charged with perjury in charges made by District Attorney Allred a week ago last Saturday night.

Mrs. Mullins Called.

After giving her name, defense counsel asked:

"Did you ever live at Mrs. Hattie Robertson's home?"

"Yes."

"Did Mrs. Robertson ask you to have dates with men?"

"Yes."

"Did you ever go to Mrs. Downing's home for whiskey in company with Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes."

She said that she thought Mrs. Robertson drank it and that Tom O'Bear helped.

She said she stayed at Mrs. Robertson's home from the middle of September to the end of October, leaving there to go to live with Mrs. Ruby Stanfield.

"And Mrs. Robertson called you to fill dates?"

"Yes."

Cross examined by District Attorney Allred, she became confused on the point of whether or not Mrs. Robertson had called her more than once, first saying it was only once and then changing when her testimony in the heabeas corpus hearing was pointed out.

"You refused?"

"Yes."

"And yet you called socially several times on Mrs. Robertson after she had asked you to fill dates with men. You knew what that meant, didn't you?"

"Yes."

She again became confused as to whether Mrs. Robertson had called her once or several times but finally said that it was several times.

"Do you know Tadlock?" she was asked.

"No."

Questioned as to Mrs. Stanfield she said Mrs. Stanfield is a good woman, this rather indignantly.

The question of her owing Mrs. Robertson a little bill then came up but the witness denied this. She said if she did Mrs. Robertson had never mentioned it.

Questioned further as to the calls from Mrs. Robertson she said she thought it was all right to call on Mrs. Robertson after she had refused the dates with men.

Mrs. Mullins' direct examination was a tame affair compared to the questions fired at her when Mr. Allred started the cross examination. She was passed over and the district attorney asked her who the first person was she had told she would testify at the trial. Some haranguing followed as to this, as did the question as to where the witness was living.

She was snapped back in vitrolic fashion at the questions propounded to her and when the least leaway for a denial was allowed, made the denial in positive fashion.

Says Morgan Called Her.

Mrs. Mullins said her residence "certainly was not at the Star hotel on Ohio avenue," but it later developed she was residing in some rooms next door to the place. No one had ever come to see her regarding her testimony in the case, but under insistent examination she admitted Frank Morgan had called her up on the phone and it was through him she was secured as a witness. She said Morgan didn't tell her what she wanted when he phoned her.

The witness, while she was a roomer at Mrs. Robertson's home on Ninth street, testified she had been given birth to a child which later died, but denied Mrs. Robertson had ever aided her much in its care or had assisted much during her confinement.

Then the fireworks started on the question of whether or not she had ever been in the penitentiary. This question was put by the district attorney, but before she could answer an objection came from the defense. It was asked that the jury be retired and after they had gone and opposing counsel had argued the point, Judge Martin ruled that she should answer the question. Through sworn affidavits then introduced by the district attorney, it was disclosed she had been indicted in Hale county, Texas, in August, 1916, on charges of forgery. She was at that time known as Mrs. R. C. Hardie.

Mr. Allred read certified copies of the indictment to the jury after it had returned and also read a certified copy of the verdict returned by the trial jury after she had entered a plea of guilty.

"Are you the same person referred to in this indictment as Mrs. Hardie?" the district attorney asked, and her answer was:

"I'm supposed to be."

The defense then interposed an objection touching on the perjury charge filed against Mrs. Mullins by the district attorney as a result of the testimony she gave in the habeas corpus hearing. It was remarked by Mr. Cummings that the law grants to every person immunity from making statements which may incriminate themselves in connection with an offense with which they are or may be charged.

It was argued that Mrs. Mullins probably did not know she would not be compelled to testify to her past record, on grounds that whatever she might say coul dbe used against her in the coming trial.

The state protested against this with the contention that the lawyers defending Mr. Collier had not been retained to represent Mrs. Mullins. Judge Martin, however, explained to the witness the rulings of the law and told her she could not be forced to say anything if she did not so choose. She said she did not.

That meant that the state had no right and could not demand that she say anything, either, about what she had testified to on the habeas corpus proceedings.

The Jury Returns.

With the jury back in the box, however, the state was permitted to introduce in evidence a certified copy of the Hale county, indictment, which set forth that she had been billed for forging the name of an employer to two checks and cashing them. One was for $18.61 and the other for $16.84.

As the examination continued she was asked how old she was; answered 26; and then was asked how many times she had been married. She replied "twice."

Over the protests of the defense, she was asked concerning the divorce secured from her by her husband in Bosque county and she was queried as to whether or not that divorce had been based on charges, made by her husband, that she had been guilty of association with other men. A certified copy of the divorce petition was read.

On re-direct examination, the defense introduced a certified copy of a pardon granted by Governor Hobby and which restored her full rights and privileges of citizenship. On recommendations of the district attorney who prosecuted her and the sheriff of the county; and also because of a good prison record, she was given her freedom after about a year of her sentence had been served.

Short examinations then followed and she was asked to name some of the women Mrs. Robertson had called up from her home and asked to come and make dates with men. Mrs. Downing was the only one she could recall.

Mrs. Mullins had been on the stand about 45 minutes and when she was excused, the defense announced it closed its case.

"Your honor, the defendant closes his case as far as testimony is concerned," the attorney informed Judge Martin. This was at 4:40.

A short recess was taken and Tom O'Bear was then called in sur-rebuttal for the state. His name has been mentioned numerous times as one of the men who was alleged to have met Mrs. Robertson. He flatly denied all and sundry charges, and at the end of his examination had made an excellent witness for the state.

O'Bear said he was an oil well driller and had been in this section of the country about two years. He knew Mrs. Hattie Robertson, he said, and also knew her oldest son, Irving, who at one time had worked for him.

"Mr. O'Bear, have you ever been to Mrs. Robertson's home?"

"Yes sir."

"Have you ever at any time, Mr. O'Bear, had improper relations with Mrs. Robertson?"

"I never did."

"Have you ever drank whiskey at her home?"

"I have not."

"Did you ever see or smell any whiskey there, Mr. O'Bear?"

"No sir, I never did."

The witness was then asked if he ever knew Tadlock, Windham, Box and Chapin, defense witnesses who had testified to having been in the Robertson home and who had seen a man named "Tom" there on different occasions. He declared he knew none of them, or had ever heard of them.

Mr. O'Bear said he had spent the night in the Robertson home on several occasions, sleeping, when he was there, with Slim Thorman, the roomer. He had never seen any "wild parties" and had found a woman there on only a few occasions.

On cross-examination, however, after stating he knew none of the women he had seen, he said he had seen Sis Downing and that he understood she had come to have a dress fitted.

Looking for Irving.

O'Bear had been in Mrs. Robertson's home on Ninth street several times, he said, having gone there the first time in search of Irving Robertson. He said he hard Irving was seeking oil field employment and that he had gone there to offer him a place. After that, he declared, upon returning from the fields he had occasionally gone to the home with Irving.

Some explicit dates were asked as to the time the Robertson boy had worked for him and where he had been employed. After some thinking he said it was along last October and that they had worked on a Staley and Ramming lense between Wichita Falls and Burkburnett.

O'Bear declared he had never been in the Seventh street tailor shop and had never sat in a room with Mrs. Robertson and played the victrola. On the question "Mr. O'Bear, did you ever hear any one say you and Mrs. Robertson were as bad as Buster and Mary Frances Collier?" he declared he had not.

One or two other inconsequential questions were asked and court adjourned at 4:55. It will convene again at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The Collier Case By The Calendar And What Happened By The Clock

10 P. M. SATURDAY, FEB. 14, Elzie Robertson shot and killed at corner of Bluff and Seventeenth.

10:35 P. M. Frank Collier released on bond of $20,000 after formal charge of murder is filed.

2:30 P. M. MONDAY, FEB. 16, Elzie Robertson funeral held at First Methodist church, south, with thousands in attendance.

12:00 M. WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, Frank Collier resigns as mayor of Wichita Falls R. E. Shepherd elected successor by city council.

10 A. M. THURSDAY, FEB. 26, formal indictment charging murder returned against Collier. Bail denied and he is taken to county jail.

11 A. M. Habeas corpus proceedings started by Attorneys Weeks and Francis and hearing set before Judges H. B. Wilson and P. A. Martin for Saturday morning.

9 A. M. SATURDAY, FEB. 28, habeas corpus hearing starts.

2 P. M. Judges Wilson and Martin deny writ releasing defendant from jail on bond.

2:30 P. M. Collier returned to county jail and habeas corpus hearing continued to Monday on application of defense.

9 A. M. MONDAY, FEB. 2, habeas corpus hearing resumes.

2:30 P. M. Judge P. A. Martin grants Collier bond in sum of $25,00 and sets case for trial in 89th district court Monday, March 16.

8 A. M. SATURDAY, MARCH 7, Mary Frances Collier placed under $1,000 bond on writ of attachment asked by District Attorney James V. Allred.

11 P. M. SATURDAY, MARCH 14, Mrs Mullins, defense witness, arrested and placed under bond on perjury charge.

THE TRIAL.

Monday.

10:00 A. M. Court convened by Judge P. A. Martin.

10:35 A. M. Court recessed to allow defense time to prepare motion for continuance.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

1:40 P. M. Defense motion for continuance overruled. Jury selection starts.

5:15 P. M. First juror selected and court adjourns for day.

Tuesday.

9:00 A. M. Court convenes.

9:20 A. M. Second juror selected.

9:55 A. M. Third juror selected.

10:15 A. M. Fourth juror selected.

11:10 A. M. Fifth juror selected.

12:00 M. Court recesses.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

2:05 P. M. Sixth juror selected.

3:00 P. M. Seventh juror selected.

4:20 P. M. Eighth juror selected.

5:00 P. M. Court adjourns.

Wednesday.

9:00 A. M. Court convenes.

9:40 A. M. Ninth juror selected.

10:55 A. M. Tenth juror selected.

12:00 M. Court recesses.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

2:20 P. M. Eleventh juror selected.

4:00 P. M. Twelfth juror selected.

4:05 P. M. Continue examination of venireman.

4:30 P. M. Original venire exhausted and special one of 25 talesmen ordered to report Thursday morning.

5:10 P. M. Court adjourns and announcement made that juror No. 3 disqualified for service.

Thursday.

9:00 A. M. Court convenes.

9:10 A. M. "Thirteenth juror" selected. Jury panel complete.

9:35 A. M. Bob Windham, first state's witness, takes stand.

11:55 A. M. Court recesses.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

1:40 P. M. State rests.

2:00 P. M. Defense testimony starts.

5:00 P. M. Court adjourns.

Friday.

9:00 A. M. Court opens. Defense testimony continues.

12:00 M. Court recesses.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

3:00 P. M. Mrs. Frank Collier takes stand for defense.

4:05 P. M. Mrs. Frank Collier excused.

4:30 P. M. Frank Collier, defendant, takes stand.

5:00 P. M. Court adjourns.

Saturday.

9:00 A. M. Court convenes. Collier resumes witness stand.

10:50 A. M. Frank Collier excused.

12:00 M. Court recesses.

1:30 P. M. Court convenes.

1:40 P. M. Defense rests.

1:50 P. M. State begins regutlal testimony.

4:30 P. M. Court adjourns until 9 a. m. Monday morning.

WOMAN WHO

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comment by defense, who told her that he required only testimony up to the time of the shooting.

"Were you there in October?"

"No." The witness was excused.

Johnnie McMahon was called next.

Allred: "What is your name?"

McMahon: "Johnnie McMahon."

"Who is your father?"

"J. B. McMahon, a dispatcher for the Fort Worth and Denver."

"How long have you known Buster Robertson."

"Four years."

"Do you know Frank Collier?"

"Only when I see him."

"Tell the court, Johnnie, if you remember a particular incident about three or four weeks before Buster's death in which Frank Collier and Buster both figured."

"I do."

"When was it?"

"At the time of the big snow."

"Where did you meet Buster that night?"

"At the Texhoma filling station where he was working."

"Where did you go?"

"He got in my car and we drove around to Gohlke's at 1612 Tenth street."

"What happened then?"

"Mary Frances was standing in the doorway with the light on on the porch. We went up into the driveway and Buster asked me to wait while he talked to Mary Frances."

"Did anybody else come up?"

"Yes. I didn't hear the car drive up but in a minute I heard a woman's voice call out 'Buster.' I looked around and saw Mr. and Mrs. Collier together in their closed Franklin sedan. She called Buster again."

"What did Buster say?"

"He said: Wait just a minute!"

"What happened then?"

"They waited a few minutes and then I saw Mr. Collier get out of the car and walk up toward the porch, holding his hand behind him. Buster saw him coming and walked down to meet him. They both got about three or four feet from each other and Mr. Collier pulled his hand from behind his back and I saw a crank handle in it. I wouldn't swear that he actually struck at Buster but Buster started running; around my car and over to Eleventh street. I met him afterwards on Eleventh street in front of Meadows house."

The witness was passed to the defense.

"You could not swear that Mr. Collier here struck at Buster?" the defense asked.

"No. I was looking at them both, but I wouldn't swear that he actually struck at him."

He was asked to show the jury just how Collier was holding the crank.

"Did Mr. Collier throw the crank at the boy?"

"No."

"What did you do?"

"Drove off the driveway and went to look for Buster."

"Where did you find him?"

P. H. Leath On Stand.

"On Eleventh street in front of the Meadows home." The witness was excused here and P. H. Leath called.

Allred: "Your name?"

Leath: "P. H. Leath."

"How long have you lived here?"

"Ten years."

"Are you a man of family?"

"Yes sir; I have a wife and four children, two boys and two girls."

"Are you acquainted with Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes, I know her well. I have patronized her shop for a long time."

"Were you ever in her house?"

"Yes, several times to take clothes. She did all my cleaning and pressing for me."

"Do you know any other men that went there?"

"Yes, several of them."

"Name some of them."

"Well, there was Mr. Scott, Mr. Ogle, myself, J. S. Nichols, and one or two others."

"Were you ever in Mrs. Robertson's shop up on Seventh street when Mrs. Boland came up there?"

"Yes, once. I had been there a minute or so to get a suit that I wanted and had left that morning. Mrs. Robertson told me that the cleaner had not brought it back yet, but would before long. Mrs. Boland came up the stairs with a bundle under her arm. I don't know what was in it, but I heard her make some remark about 'fitting a corset.'"

"What did you do?"

"I had finished talking to Mrs. Robertson and left."

"Mrs. Robert on did not undress before you did she?"

"No, she did not."

"Did you see Mrs. Robertson make any preparation to undress."

"No sir, I did not."

"Are you acquainted with Mrs. Boland?"

"I know her when I see her.

"Who else was in the room?"

"Mr. J. S. Nichols was there and three or four other women. I didn't know but one of the women, a Mrs. Downing."

"Was her name 'Sis'?"

"I have heard her called that, yes sir."

"Are you acquainted with her reputation for virtue and chastity?"

"No, sir."

The witness was passed to the defense.

"How long were you in the shop on that occasion?"

"Not more than two minutes."

"You had completed your business when Mrs. Boland came in?"

"Practically. She spoke when she came in at the door and I started out at once."

"Have you ever had any dealings with Mrs. Boland?"

"I never talked to her in my life, I saw her a day or so ago here at the court house, though."

"Did you ever see Sis Downing at the Robertson home?"

"Yes, once or twice."

"Do you know that Mrs. Robertson has paid $1,500 on her home in the past year?"

"She hasn't."

"How do you know?"

"I know the fellow she got the house from. She has just kept up with payments since she paid the first $500 down."

"Do you know Slim?"

"I don't know who you mean?"

"Do you know a fellow named 'Slim'?"

"Yes."

"Ever see him around there?"

"I don't know whether I have or not."

"Do you know Mrs. Mullins?"

"Yes."

"Ever see her around there?"

"Yes."

"Know Mary Frohman?"

"Yes."

"Ever see her around there?"

"Yes."

"Do you know Mattie Duncan?"

"Yes."

"Have you ever seen her around the Robertson home?"

"I don't know that I have. I have seen her at her mothers."

"Are you acquainted with Mrs. Robertson's reputation for chastity and virtue?"

There was some hem and hawing here and the witness could not be made to say yes or no.

Finally the following answer was elicited from him, "I have heard about her being a good, hard working woman. I have never heard her character discussed otherwise in my life."

The witness was dismissed, 20 minutes to 11, and a few minutes recess allowed.

The court convened again at 20 minutes past 11, after a 40 minute recess. Judge Martin instructed the baliff to take the jury out and have them back at 1:30, and recessed the court until that time.

MRS. ROBERTSON

Box or Moses, and said that she knew none of them and that they had never been in her house.

Asked as to what kind of work she had been doing of late years she replied: "Mr. Allred, I've done anything on earth that was honorable and honest that would help me make a living. No job has been too big or too small for me to try." She mentioned her work in the Seventh street tailor shop and then was asked if she ever knew J. S. Nichols or P. H. Leath. She was later asked if she had ever had improper relations with Nichols and said "indeed I never have." She declared she had never been in a compromising position with him.

The "corset" incident, which was related by a Mrs. Boland as having transpired in Mrs. Robertson's tailor shop was then brought up and she vigorously denied that any of the things claimed by Mrs. Boland had ever transpired. At the end of this, Mrs. Robertson lost control of herself again and broke into a long wail.

"I've always tried to be an honorable woman and live my life so that I could meet my neighbors and look any person in the face," she wailed. "I haven't done the things they say I have; I've tried to be straight, so help me God I have."

Mrs. Robertson laid her head on the bench rail in front of her seat and cried for several minutes. The district attorney then asked her how long she had been in bed and she answered "off and on ever since my boy was taken from me."

That ended the direct examination.

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A force of city and railway police were waiting for the mat the freight terminal when the train arrived.

Man Leaps to Death Through Car Window

SAN ANTONIO, Mar. 23.—While the California limited of the Southern Pacific railroad was traveling at the rate of 40 miles an hour, W. J. Albany of Dryfork, Ky., leaped through a window to his death about two miles east of Flatonia this afternoon.

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FATE OF THE OREGON PLAN.

Before taking a recess the United States supreme court listened to arguments on the Oregon school law enacted during the heigth of the ku klux klan wave in that state. This Oregon law provides that parents and guardians of children between the ages of 8 and 16 must send them to public schools maintained by the state after September 1926. It was adopted after referandum vote.

The case reached the court through an appeal by the state of Oregon from a decision of the federal district court of Oregon which declared the law unconstitutional. Opposition to the law comes from schools. It is asserted that the Oregon law wipes church organizations and the directors of private out many private schools except those of advance grades. In fact, the law was procured under a drive of the ku klux klan and its real purpose is to eliminate all parochial, private and denominational schools.

An assistant attorney general of Oregon appeared for the state. He insisted that the law was constitutional in that it was based upon the right of the state to exercise its police powers in regulating schools. In answer to a question put to him by Chief Justice Taft, as to whether he could strengthen his position by a specific case, Moore said that he could not.

It was further insisted by Moore if the state had th eright to compel compulsory education it followed that the state had the right to compel attendance at schools provided by it. William G. Guthrie, one of the foremost constitutional lawyers of America, is the chief opposing counsel in the case. He declared the Oregon law based upon religious intolerance and fanaticism and a gross violation of the bill of rights which guarantee to all citizens of America civil and religious liberty and makes them the guardian of their children in all matters affecting the material and moral welfare of the child.

This very important case was taken under advisement by the court of last resort. In the November election of 1924 the Oregon plan was submitted to the voters of three American states and overwhelmingly defeated. It was submitted or rather introduced to the law makers of the 38th legislature and defeated. It did not bob up at the 39th session of the Texas legislature. Measures aimed at teachers of evolution bobbed up but were defeated.

Advocates of the teaching of the Bible in public schools obtained recognizition, they introduced their bills, and this is tabout as far as they travlled. It is admitted by all veteran observers that the members of the 39th legislature dearly loved to slaughter all bills which aimed at the regulation of the citizen or his fireside. In future an officer must arm himself with a warrant before he invades the castle of a Texan.

MEASURES BACKED BY WOMEN.

Women were in evidence under the big dome in the city of Austin during the regular session of the thirty-ninth legislature. Texas women organizations had a joint legislative council on duty at all times and these feminine members of the third house had a program. This is the list of the measures they backed and what happened to each individual measure:

1. Sheppard-Towner appropriation. Amount restored by the lawmakers.

2. Supplemental appropriations for the rural schools of Texas. Passed.

3. Appropriation for girls training school at Gainesville. Restored.

4. Regulating whisky perscriptions and the sale of liquor by druggists. Bill defeated in the lower house after it had passed the senate.

5. As first steps in carrying out the recommendation of the prison survey: a resolution to amend the state constitution in order that responsibility may rest upon one head instead of being divided among three as at present to be voted on by the people at the next regular election, in November, 1926. Relocation of the entire prison system. Passed by both houses of the legislature and sent to the governor.

6. As the first step in carrying out the provision of the educational survey a bill strengthening the powers of county school boards and providing for the employment of county superintendents failed of passage. A bill to continue the educational survey commission passed the senate and was sent to engrossment in the house.

7. Providing for an illiteracy commission. The bill passed the senate and was lost in the house on closing day.

8. An act strengthening the state child labor laws was passed and sent to the governor.

SAME OLD SYSTEM.

Law makers of the 29th failed to make any changes in the Terrell election law. They failed to repeal the chapter dealing with majority primary nominations. A preferential ballot bill was put over in the house. This provided for a single primary and first and second choice balloting for candidates for office.

It died on the closing day of the session for the simple reason that its opponents in the upper house refused to correct a slight error in the bill themselves or to send it back to the house for correction. A well known democratic politician advised against the repeal of the majority nomination law. He said.

"If you have two shots at a scrub who is a candidate for high office, it is much easier to get him than if you only had one shot."

It may be an open season for shooting scrubs or shooting at them in 1926.

FORD AS A FINANCIER.

Henry Ford purchased the Grasshopper Railroad five years ago. The other name of the Grasshopper is the Detroit, Toledo and Ironton railroad. His road cost his $5,000,000. Its net earnings since its purchase have been $9,550,000.

Five years ago the Grasshopper was the railroad joke of the middle west. It is no longer a joke. Railroad men do not consider Ford methods of operation applicable to all lines, but they admit that he has done wonders with this particular railroad problem. Before the road became the property of the flivver king tails of conductors stopping trains to let passenger shoot wild ducks or pick blackberries were told throughout the territory it covered.

Henry Ford's rail employes are the highest paid in all departments of any railway in America. How does he manage to perform these business miracles. He has ships on the lake; he has ships on the seven seas.

He is going to invade China where he hopes to build up an enormous trade in tractors. He has assembling plants in many European countries. He is doing a profitable business in Mexico

He might have been president of the United States, and perhaps it is a good thing for Henry that he did not attempt to grab the crown. American politicans would have driven him to his grave by their business methods, their lack of candor and their red tape procedure. Henry Ford is an autocraft. An autocraft in the White House has hard sledding.

SPEAKING OF WHISKEY.

Democrats of Texas in the state convention assembled in the city of Austin last year declared for drastic revision of the law which permits physicians to write liquor perscriptions and regulating the sale of liquor for medicine by the druggists of the state.

Governor Ferguson in her campaign for nomination and for election declared for drastic revision. A drastic bill originated in the senate. It passed the senate. It was sent to the house. There it died in the closing days of the session. There was no revision of the prescription act. There was no revision of the act which permits the sale of liquor for medicine by the druggist.

It was a platform demand. It was one of the recommendations made by the governor in her initial message to the lawmakers. If there is to be a special session the battle may be fought out again. If there isn't to be a special session, then the advocates of drastic revision will be on the firing line in the month of January, 1927.

Medicinal whiskey is said to be a very poor imitation of the real stuff which was sold over the popular bars in what is known to former tanks as the good old days. Of course, they have a kick coming and it is just as easy to take it out on the quality of the prescription article as it is on the ultra pro who laughs to scorn the statement that whiskey is a medicine and that those who demand it need it for the kick that it imparts.

FLOWERS FOR THE DEAD.

In the closing days of the regular session, Senator A. T. Wirtz, introduced a simple resolution paying tribute to a former member of the upper house and by unanimous vote the senate ordered that a page of the senate journal should be set apart and dedicated to the memory of Joseph Faust, who died at his home in New Braunfels on November 5, 1924.

Joseph Faust was born December 15, 1844, at Hambach, Germany. He was an infant when his parents crossed the Atlantic and located in Comal county. He was one of the builders of New Braunfels. At the age of 16 he enlisted in the 7th Texas calvary and served with distinction throughout the war in the army of the Confederacy. He was a foremost champion of education and found time to withdraw from his business to serve in the senate during the twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth and thirtieth legislature.

The page of the senate journal dedicated to his memory declares that as a soldier, a lawmaker, a public servant, a champion of education and as a builder and developer, he was held in the highest esteem for his unselfish and patriotic devotion and service to his state and nation.

It is well to remember those who have rendered unselfish service to state and nation, but it is a pity that the flowers should not be handed to them while they are in the land of the living.

COLONEL PYRON HAS THE FLOOR.

Governor Ferguson has named her military staff, Colonel W. B. Pyron is on the list. Colonel Pyron is a well known Texan. He is high in the councils of Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury of the United States. Colonel Pyron is an oil man. He is one of the big chiefs of the Gulf Production company and the Gulf is owned by the Mellon interests.

Colonel Pyron is a southerner. He has never been prominent in politics. Politics isn't his game. He is for oil all the time and is considered one of the most progressive of the oil group in Texas.

Walter Timon of Corpus Christi and Brownsville is on the staff. He is a former district judge, a leader of the Ferguson forces in the Gulf Coast country and magic valley lands. If it is necessary for a man to be a fighter, a fighter who woes all the road, then Colonel Timon is the man for the place.

His grandparents were among the early settlers of the Gulf coast country, and the Timons and their kinsmen have ever been a power in the democratic politics of the Gulf coast section.

Pat Morris Neff never recognized the military ambition of his followers. If he had a staff then the members never appeared on dress parade. In fact, Pat Morris preferred the National guardsmen and the rangers for war-like demonstrations and for civic parading he felt that he could take care of that part of the daily pagent himself.

A WISE PREACHER.

There is a wise preacher in the city of Chicago. His name? Rev. J. T. Smith. He is the director of the secular press publicity in the commission on world service in Methodist Episcopal church. This is his latest: 'the newspapers offer the best medium for reaching all the people, the non-church goers as well as the church goers. The time is coming when every church will have its committees on church advertising and giving out church news in the same way they now have committees on pastor's salaries and on the home and foreign and mission work. Censoring the daily newspaper is against Christian principles." A very wise man.

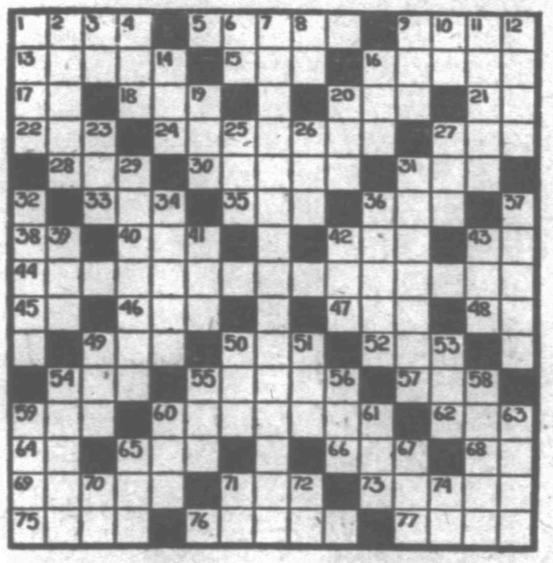
HOGS ARE THE HIGHEST.

Hogs are the highest in the Chicago markets since 1920, reaching $14.15 compared with $14.50 five years ago. There are thousands of hog raisers in Texas. They are to be congratulated. There is a better demand for cattle and sheep. Texas is the banner livestock producing state and the livestock industry is coming back. Speaking of the goat industry, Texas was the largest producer of mohair last year, and mohair sold at a fancy price.

Searching Him



Cross-Word Puzzle



Every number in the form represents the beginning of a word, reading either horizontally or vertically. If there is a black square to the left of the number, the word is horizontal; if above it, the word is vertical. The same number may of course begin both a horizontal and a vertical. The definitions for the correct words to fill the form are found below, with numbers corresponding to those on the form. Run through the definitions till you find one that you recognize, and put in its proper place on the form, one letter for each white square. This will furnish several cross-clues to the words linking with it at right angles. Continue in this manner till the form is completely filled. If you have solved the puzzle correctly it should read both horizontally and vertically with words coresponding to the definitions.

Horizontal.

1. Part of a tree.
5. Sheer: utter.
9. A member of a party opposed to the Whigs.
13. A green spot in a sandy desert.
15. A kind of poem.
16. A fine whetstone or oilstone (plural).
17. Exists.
18. A deer.
20. The Scotch forename corresponding to John.
21. Another form of "I".
22. Modern.
24. Specters.
27. A kind of evergreen tree.
28. To delve.
30. Characters of the alphabet used by ancient Teutonic people.
31. A track worn by a wheel.
33. A precious stone.
35. Connection by birth or marriage.
36. Boggy land.
38. A parent.
40. A garden implement.
42. A Kipling titular character.
43. A parent.
44. Between different nations or their citizens.
45. First name of a baseball player (abbr.).
46. To incline the head.
47. A writing implement.
48. An old form of "the".
49. A tavern.
50. Pertaining to the chief linguistic stock of Indo-China.
52. A dentist.
54. A collection of facts.
55. The name.
57. To soak up.
59. One of a fraternal order.
60. Comparisons.
62. Part of the mouth.
64. To move.
65. Part of the body.
66. A knob.
68. In such a manner.
69. To deduce.
71. An insect.
73. The solan goose.
75. The catch in a gun lock.
76. Any of numerous small roundish spots on the surface of Mars at the intersection of its so-called canal.
77. To decline or diminish.

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE Answered.



Vertical.

1. A cut of meat.
2. Relieved.
3. While.
4. A square bar of wood or iron used to support the topmast.
6. A preposition.
7. Government of public affairs (plural).
8. A note in the diatonic scale.
9. A measure.
10. Above and in contact with.
11. To forgive.
12. A river in France.
14. To seed.
16. Possesses.
19. To do wrong.
20. A symbol or monogram representing the Greek contraction of Jesus.
23. An artificial head covering.
25. A kind of seabird.
26. A number.
27. Amusement.
29. Name for hell appearing in the New Testament.
31. Sends back.
32. To strike.
34. A feeble-minded person.
36. Purified.
37. Flirked at.
39. One, no matter what one.
42. Hill; mountain (South Africa).
43. To be in steady action.
46. A writing fluid.
50. A small character in Dicken's "Christmas Carol."
51. Sick.
53. The sun.
54. Solitary.
55. A gratuitous offering.
56. Even (contraction).
58. A native or inhabitant of Pisa.
59. Aegis (variant).
60. A title of respect.
61. The typical genus of swine.
63. A kind of johnny-cake.
65. A pronoun.
67. An ornamental slip-knot.
70. A note in the diatonic scale.
71. A kind of lava.
72. The Asiatic palm-lily.
74. An exclamation of surprise commonly followed by "me" (dialectic).

Irrigation

National Loan Associations.

One of the complaints often heard of the American farmer is that he is so thoroughly individualistic. The very fact that each farmer is a small capitalist and dependent upon the work of his own head and hands for his success has made him an exceptionally independent man who relies upon himself only.

However, if he is to take advantage of the opportunity offered him in securing loans from a federal land bank he must lay aside his invididualism and learn to cooperate with his fellow farmers. The law requires it.

Before any farmer can secure a loan from a federal land bank he has to join a cooperative society known as a national loan association. Any ten or more farmers can form such an association.

The members of a national loan association elect from their number a board of five directors. From these directors is selected a president, a vice president, a secretary-treasurer and a loan committee of three members.

None of these officers except the secretary-treasurer receive any salary or perquisits of any kind. In this way the middleman nor agent, who so frequently takes toll from the farmer's loans is eliminated.

Every member of a national loan association must be a borrower or prospective borrower from the federal land bank.

Every member must be a stockholder owning a share, the par value of which is $5.00, for each $100 he borrows.

Every loan applied for must first be approved by the loan committee of three men and receive the sanction of the board of directors. It is then passed on to the federal land bank of the district and there approved by a hired appraiser.

HOW IT STARTED

"FEBRUARY"

Did you feel more virtuous in the month of February than in that which has just passed? True—in so far as February is shorter than the other months of the year there is less opportunity for mischief; but that would hardly suffice as the reason for calling February a month of purity!

The story, however, is written in the origin of its name. For "February" comes from Februarius, the name of the Roman lustral festival for the celebration of which this month was appointed and which took place, according to our calendar, about February 15. It was the ancients' Festival of Purification, which has survived throughout the ages in the name of the second month of our year.

POEMS THAT LIVE

AH, HOW SWEET
(From "Tyrannic Love.")

Ah, how sweet it is to love!
Ah, how gay is young desire!
And what pleasing pain we prove
When we first approach love's fire!
Pains of love be sweeter far
Than all other pleasures are.

Sighs which are from lovers blown
Do but gently heave the heart:
E'en the tears they shed alone
Cure, like trickling balm, their smart.
Lovers, when they lose their breath,
Bleed away in easy death.

Love and Time with reverence
Treat them like a parting friend;
Nor the golden gifts refuse
Which in youth sincere they send:
For each year this price is more,
And they less simple than before.

Love, like spring-tides full and high,
Swells in every youthful vein;
But each tide does less supply,
Till they quite shrink in again.
If a flow in age appears,
'Tis but rain, and runs not clear.
—John Dryden.

We romp across the continent
In search of new diversions;
In summer comes our discontent
And longing for excursions.
It's good for folks to gad about
In Pullmans, planes and flivvers—
These office blokes who have the gout—
It stimulates their livers.

Conducted intelligently, the management of tuberculosis, in the patients' own home, is preferable to expensive journeys in the arid west.

Some are vegetarians by choice, some by force of circumstances; both will soon be at the bat.

More Truth Than Poetry

THE CROWNLESS KING.

(No country wants little Pi Yu, the deposed emperor of China.)

How would you like it, if you were a king,
Without any crown and without any throne,
Without any subjects your praises to sing,
And nothing at all of your own?
How would you like it to wander about,
Through many and many a wearisome day,
While surly old ministers bade you get out,
When you asked for a sceptre to sway?

That sort of a monarch is little Pi Yu;
He spends his time traveling, mile after mile,
To ask in each town he is journeying through,
If they don't need a king for a while.
But scowling old mandarins come to the door,
And ask in suspicious astonishment; "What?"
And when he repeats what he asked them before,
They say to him: "Certainly not!"

And so, though he went to a regular school,
Where grave old professors are always at hand,
To teach little princes the right way to rule,
When they come to be kings of the land—
Though the blood in his veins is exceedingly blue,
And his line is as old as the Great Chinese Wall,
And he really is clever, poor little Pi Yu
Has no situation at all.

It must be delightful to sit on a throne,
And watch all the populace cringe when you frown,
With an elephant cavalcade, all of your own,
And zillions of diamonds to bulge from your crown.
But better by far to be born rather poor,
Than to lose such a golden and glowing estate,
And I'm sure that I never could bear to endure
This sad little emperor's fate!

KEEP STANDING.

One headline which never needs resetting is—Finn Finishes Fir.

TOO FAST.

They have found another tomb of an Egyptian king, but the excavators can't turn their attention to it till they spend a couple of hundred more years exhuming old Tut.

TOO FAR FROM HOME.

The senate is investigating the causes of the world war. They better find out first the causes of the row between themselves and the vice president.

WHAT EDITORS ARE SAYING

The lazy philosopher is one who passes up the cross word puzzle on the ground that the answer will appear in tomorrow's paper anyhow.—Munday Times.

A bill passed in the Pennsylvania state senate requiring that milk be sold only in the original containers should certainly stimulate the livestock market.—Altus Plain Dealer.

As between the bee and the ant, both touted as examples of industry, a lot of chaps prefer to pattern their lives after the latter, which works for itself instead of laying up treasures for others. — Childress Valley News.

Some people cuss the legislature because they like to do it, and others because they can't keep from it.—Frederick Leader.

In regard to the atttiude of the European countries and this one, they seem to be of the opinion that if they do not see what they want in the shape of a loan, ask for it, then take it and not pay it back. — Stamford Leader.

A Chicago banker says that the United States' great gold stock is not a menace to business. Few of us have found it such.—Electra Star.

Many who kick on their income taxes were hollering in 1918 for the government to spend more money so that we could win the war quicker.—Burkburnett Star.

The world is looking for young men of clean living and health. There is no limit to their achievements except their willingess to work.—Clarendon News.

GLEANINGS

THE CHARM OF THE NATURAL

What is the foundation of the interest cultivated men feel in Greek history, letters, art and poetry, in all its periods from the Heroic or Homeric age down to the domestic life of the Athenians and Spartans, four or five centuries later?

Emerson's answer to the question was:

"The manners of that period are plain and fierce. The reverence exhibited is for personal qualities; courage, address, self-command, justice, strength, swiftness, a loud voice, a broad chest.

"Luxury is not known, nor elegance.

"A sparse population makes every man his own valet, cook, butcher and soldier, and the habit of supplying his own needs educates the body to wonderful performances."

Such are the Agamemnon and Diomed of Homer, and not far different is the picture Xenophon gives of himself and his compatriots in the Retreat of the Ten Thousand:

"After the army had crossed the river Teleboas in Armenia, there fell much snow, and the troops lay miserably on the ground covered with it. But Xenophon arose naked, and taking an axe, began to split wood; whereupon the others rose, and did the like."

Throughout his army seemed to be a boundless liberty of speech, they quarrel for plunder, they wrangle with generals on each new order, and Xenophon is as sharp-tongued as any, and sharper-tongued than most, and so gives as good as he gets.

"Who does not see that this is a gang of great boys," Emerson asks, "with such a code of honor and such lax discipline as great boys have?"

The charm of the ancient tragedy, and indeed of all literature, as has been expressed many times, is that the persons speak simply—speak as persons who have good sense without knowing it. Then the reflective habit had not become the predominant habit of the mind.

"Of admiration of the antique is not the admiration of the old, but of the NATURAL," Emerson observed.

"The Greeks are not reflective, but perfect in their senses, perfect in their health, with the finest physical organization in the world.

"Adults acted with the simplicity and grace of boys. They made vases, tragedies and statues, such as healthy senses should—that is in good taste.

"Such things have continued to be made in all ages, and are now, whatever a healthy physique exists; but as a class, from their superior organization, the Greeks have surpassed all.

"They combine the energy of manhood with the engaging unconsciousness of childhood. Our reverence for them is our reverence for childhood."

What Today Means To You

By MARIE BLAKE

Aries.

Today's planetary aspects are very favorable, whilst the vibrations are extremely stimulating. Provided speculative hazards are eliminated, it is an auspicious occasion for any enterprise of a business or professional nature, as well as for public or social functions. Any plan, initiated today, will, in all probability, be successful, it being, of course, understood that it has already received deliberate thought and study. The signs particularly denote that salesmanship in business will be specially favored, whilst, in professional life, lawyers' problems will present fewer difficulties to solve than ordinarily. Theatrical enterprises promise, also, good results, and any family or social reunion will be unmarred by any unpleasantness.

Children born today, will, according to all the indications, suffer from many infantile ailments. This condition can be considerably ameliorated by careful nutrition, and plenty of fresh air. After passing through this ticklish period, they will develop along normal lines. Temperamentally, they will be inclined to be rather boisterous and very demonstrative. Their characters will be like open books, and slyness and deceit will be foreign to them. They will not be very studious, and will be more practical than theoretical, and, whilst not extravagant, will not display any signs of thrift or frugality. They will be more fitted to follow some outdoor vocation than one of a sedentary nature.

Is today your birthday? If so, you are dissatisfied with present conditions, and are in somewhat of a quandary as to what you had better do, in order to provide a remedy. You are not a quick thinker, and your mind is not as alert as you would wish it to be. It is possible, however, that if you seek counsel and advice from others, you will see things from a different angle. You are too much disposed to withhold your confidence, and too prone to see only your own point of view. Human experience often demonstrates that in relating your own difficulties to another, even though that other may not be able to give suitable advice, or, for the matter of that, any advice at all, the mere telling of your troubles will show you a way out, that had hitherto been hidden and undiscovered.

Successful people born on this date are:

Rufus King, statesman.

William E. LeRoy, naval officer—"The Chesterfield of the Navy."

Fanny J. Crosby, poet.

John W. Powell, geologist—the first to explore the canyon of the Colorado.

Garret P. Serviss, astronomer and author.

MATTERS OF HEALTH

For in the cistern
There's the proof
That rain descends
Upon the roof.

The rodents' chief ally is one strewn with rubbish.

If you want something for a rainy day don't flirt with a city slicker.

In arthritis, pus at the root of a tooth is often the root of the evil.

For men will spend their hard earned dough
For worse than worthless nostrum:
Then of its virtue brag and blow
From pulpit, stage and rostrum.

The rat, the house-fly and the mosquito are all in favor of but one clean-up-week a year.

When we think of how we squeeze our feet into encasements of impervious leather, the wonder grows that there are not more cripples.

If the automobile does nothing more than take its occupants into the woods for a day's outing it is worth all it cost.

Now there was the case of A. Biddle,
Was as big as a tub in the middle;
He watched what he ate
'Til he cut down his weight
And now he's as fit as a fiddle.

Laymen and dairymen who do not appreciate the danger of dirty milk, or the safety of clean milk, imperil the lives of the young in their communities.

Since defective teeth seem to be responsible for other bodily defects, periodic dental examinations are, therefore, in order.

Buster Wanted Colliers Proud Of Him, She Says

Cross-Exam. Of Boy's Mother Unnerves Her

Herewith is given the cross-examination of Mrs. Hattie Robertson as conducted by defense attorneys yesterday in the trial of Frank Collier for the slaying of Buster Robertson. This section of the trial's procedure proved by far the most dramatic of the week's events.

Her Sobs Increase.

It was several minutes after the direct examination had been concluded before Mrs. Robertson was sufficiently composed to begin the cross examination. When her sobs increased rather than decreased Mr. Allred went to her and spoke with her. Judge Martin also leaned over the bench and implored her to control herself, while her son and the attendant with her also offered what consolation they could.

When she quieted momentarily defense counsel spoke to her and said "Mrs. Robertson, I'd like to ask you a few questions, please mam; won't you compose yourself and we'll get through with this as soon as possible."

Questions as to her age, in which she said she was either 38 or 39 were first asked. This brought on a dispute right off the bat. The first question was answered without difficulty, but when the attorney inquiries as to the age of Irving Robertson, her eldest son, she said she wasn't sure that he was either 23 or 24.

"You testified at the habeas corpus hearing, didn't you Mrs. Robertson, that you knew he was 24?"

"It doesn't make any difference what I testified then; I told what I knew to the best of my knowledge."

It then developed that Mrs. Robertson had been married when she was 13 years of age and had her first child when she was 14, or a little past. She was born and raised in Wise county, she said.

The divorce from Jim Robertson, which she said was obtained by her husband some four and a half years ago, was next brought up. The custody of three of the children, she said, was awarded to Mr. Robertson on condition that he care for them properly. She was asked if the divorce petition brought against her by her husband did not allege that she was unable to take care of the children legitimately, and she replied she "didn't remember."

The defense then started a long questioning as to the extent of Mrs. Robertson's knowledge of the marriage of her son and Mary Frances Collier.

"Mrs. Robertson, did you give your consent to the marriage of your son Buster, and the daughter of the defendant, Mary Frances Collier?

"Well I didn't know they were going to be married."

"You didn't know then, did you, that they were going to be married so you didn't give your consent to the wedding, did you?"

"Well, I had often said that if Buster had wanted to get married it would be all right with me."

"Did Buster ever say anything to you about getting married, and did he say anything or ask you anything about it the day he and Mary Frances went up to Oklahoma with Bouchie Wallace and were married up there?"

Did Not Give Consent.

"Well, Buster was always making some joking remarks around the house and laughing about how some day he and Mary Fraces might surprise me."

"But you didn't give your consent to their doing that, did you Mrs. Robertson?"

"I didn't know they were going to do that but I knew they thought lots of each other."

"And so you didn't give your consent to marriage and Buster didnt get consent from his father, did he?"

Then followed some argument as to how long it had been since the Robertson children had heard from their father. Mrs. Robertson said her husband had never contributed to the support of she and her family and that Irving and Buster had helped her all they could in making ends meet.

At first Mrs. Robertson denied a question that Irving had been in California for three years or so but later said he had been on the west coast for two and one-half years.

Another sobbing spell came here. Defense had just started a question: "Mrs. Robertson—" but was interrupted by the witness whereupon the attorney told her he would wait until she could rest for a while. The examination was halted for a few minutes until, at the earnest solicitation of the attorneys in the case as well as Judge Martin, Mrs. Robertson's cries ceased and she was able to resume.

The next matter gone into was that of the relationship of Buster and Mary Frances. The attorney wished to know whether or not Mrs. Robertson knew her son and the former mayor's daughter were living together as man and wife. "She was unable to state "of her own knowledge" just what had happened.

"If they did live together then as man and wife, you don't know if now on your own knowledge, do you Mrs. Robertson?"

"All I know is what Mary Frances told me while she was with me."

Mrs. Robertson said she had been informed by her son immediately after he returned from Oklahoma that he had been married, and she later said that Mary Frances and Buster had both come to her and pleaded with her not to tell the Colliers of what they had done.

Knew Marriage Was Secret

The defense attorneys drilled away on this part with a deadening persistency and finally brought from the witness the admission that she knew the marriage had been secret and had not told Mr. and Mrs. Collier, although she knew the wedding had been consumated without their consent or agreement.

"When the plain, blunt question was asked: "Mrs. Robertson, why didn't you tell Mary Frances' parents that you knew Mary Frances and Buster had been married?" she replied:

"Because I promised them I wouldn't."

Buster once told his mother that he "was going to get a job and go to work and make a man out of himself so that some day Mary Frances' father and mother would be proud of him," Mrs. Robertson testified.

When asked as to what Buster had ever told her of having immoral relations with Mary Frances she said he had not told her anything.

"Don't you think, Mrs. Robertson, that what Mary Frances and Buster were doing was not right, and don't you think it was wrong to keep it a secret?"

The answer was somewhat ambigions and consisted of "well, I loved little old Mary Frances and I wouldn't have her do wrong for anything in the world, for me or anybody else."

Another dispute came up as to how long Mrs. Robertson had known the Collier's were not friendly to Buster and opposed his friendliness with their daughter. She said she did not know Mr. Collier was "hostile" on the Saturday night a week before the shooting when he came to the door of her home after midnight and asked for Buster. Neither did she know, she said, that Buster was ever visiting Mary Frances on the sleeping porch of the Collier home in the dead of night.

"If he ever left home at night, I don't know it," she said.

"You don't know it then, if he came home one night with nothing on but his underclothes?"

"Don't you think that if that boy had run clear across town in his underclothes some one would have caught him?"

"Well, I don't know whether they would or not; that depends on what time of night it was," defense counsel answered.

Another five minute period was necessary here for Mrs. Robertson to quiet her sobbing and not until Mr. Allred and Judge Martin had again spoken to her was she able to resume the inquiry.

Did Not Know of Suit

"Mrs. Robertson, did Buster ever tell you a suit for annulment had been filed by Mr. Collier to dissolve the marriage between Buster and Mary Frances?"

"No, sir."

"Buster didn't tell you that then, and you didn't know it at all?"

"No, sir."

"Did Mary Frances ever visit at your house, Mrs. Robertson?"

"Yes sir, she was there."

"Did she ever dance?"

"Yes, sir, one afternoon down there she danced a little."

"Did she ever meet any women down there?"

"Well, I don't know as she did."

"Did she meet Sis Downing there?"

"Yes sir, I believe she did one time."

The midnight call of Mr. Collier in search of Buster a week before the shooting was then brought up again. Further questions were also asked and answers made about the sleeping arrangements at the Robertson home. It developed that Buster had slept in a shanty out in the back yard and that Slim Thorman had rented one of the bedrooms in the house. The other, Mrs. Robertson said, was the one she used.

Questioned as to whether Mrs. Robertson ever knew of Mr. and Mrs. Collier ever having talked to Buster about the relationship between him and their daughter, Mrs. Robertson said Buster once told her Mr. Collier, his wife and her sister had "talked things over with him."

She "thought they had it in for him," she said, after Mr. Collier's visit to their home a week before the shooting. She testified further that, on the night she and Buster started their ill-fated trip to the Collier home, she was not afraid of anything.

"I thought Mr. Collier was too honest and honorable a man to do anything like that?" she sobbed in reply to the query of whether or not she had not been afraid of danger to her boy.

The woman denied she and Buster were on their way to the Collier home to get Mary Frances and bring her back to their residence. She said she had agreed with Buster to go to the Collier home to "talk matters over" with the Colliers.

Excerpts of Mrs. Robertson's testimony before the grand jury were then read by the questioning attorney, who asked her if she would swear she didn't say that.

"Well, really, I don't remember."

Mrs. Robertson said she was preparing to move from the Eighteenth street residence on February 15, so that Buster and Mary Frances could move in. She was grilled at some length on this score but the examination got nowhere along this line.

She repeated again that she had never had any fear of bodily harm for Buster, because "I always thought Mr. Collier was too much of a man."

Buster always told his mother that "Mary Frances is a nice little girl," she declared, and she further stated she did not really believe her son had done to her daughter that which it was claimed he had.

Some reference was made to the "crank shaft" incident at the Gholke home on Tenth street, and then Mrs. Robertson again broke down and sobbed.

The defense attorney here became rather insistent in his questioning.

"Will you tell the jury whether your son ever contributed as much as five cents to Mary Francis' support, ever did anything worth while for her, or ever did anything except have intercourse with her?" he shouted.

"I don't know whether Mary Francis would have accepted anything from him," Mrs. Robertson replied. "She told me later that she didn't think it was right since she was not actually living with him."

The attorney then turned to the question of Mrs. Robertson's visit to Sis Downing's home.

After asking her whether she remembered that she testified at the habeas corpus hearing on Saturday and then again on Monday he asked her whether or not she remembered going to Sis Downing's home that Saturday.

"I don't remember," sobbed Mrs. Robertson and then broke into a storm of sobs that stopped the questioning for a time.

"My nerves are torn to pieces. If you just had a boy torn from you and to die in your arms in such a terrible way—Oh my God," she wailed.

"Have you any daughters?" she was questioned.

The questioning was stopped at this point while she recovered her poise.

The attorney resumed his inquiry as to the visit to Sis Downing's.

"Didn't you go to Mrs. Downing's that night?" he persisted.

"No," replied Mrs. Robertson. "It was that afternoon."

She was asked why she went.

"There was a sick child," she said. "I had nursed the child and wanted to see how it was doing."

"Didn't you refuse to tell us at the habeas corpus hearing about that visit?" she was asked.

"I said I didn't remember."

At this point Attorney C. I. Francis accompanied two men into the court room from the witness chambers.

"I want you to tell the jury whether you remember these men," demanded the defense attorney.

"No," she said.

At this point District Attorney Allred demanded that the names of the two men be made known.

Two Men Are Brought In.

"Their names are Richardson and Stone," replied the defense attorney. "But I am not saying that they are giving their correct names."

The men were then escorted from the room and questioning regarding Tom O'Bear was taken up.

Mrs. Robertson said she knew Tom O'Bear, but that he often came to the house to see Slim Thorman and her son.

"He spent a good deal of his time with you?"

"Well, I suppose you could say that he did. He slept with Slim or stayed in my son's bed when my son was away."

"Did you ever drink liquor with Tom O'Bear?"

"No sir."

"Did you ever go to Sis Downing's for liquor? Did you ever say anything to Mrs. Mullins about having men come to your house or show her money that you had made in that way?"

"No."

"Did you ever phone to Sis Downing to come and meet any men?"

"No."

"Do you remember some oil field men came to your house and one of them left his keys and returned for them the next morning?"

"No."

"Do you remember taking a ride with Mr. Hays?"

"Did he pick you up down town?"

"I may have ridden home with him."

"No men ever came to your house and asked for women?"

"No."

"Do you know Mr. Banks, a railroad man?"

"Yes."

"Did you drive him up to Electra or Iowa Park one night?"

Mrs. Robertson here became confused and did not answer the question, whereupon a clash of words between her and the defense attorney resulted over the question of whether or not Sis Downing had the car that night.

"I'm talking about the night you and Sis Downing, Mr. Alsabrook, Mr. Banks, and you went to Electra," said the defense attorney.

Mrs. Robertson failed to remember any such happening.

"Isn't it true then that you got out of the automobile one night and that you got in another with Mr. Hays?"

"No, I'm sure I didn't do that."

"You are sure? Didn't you say at the habeas corpus hearing that I am a widow and it is all right for me to go with men?"

"I suppose I did." And, anyway, Mr. Hays' family were good friends and any time I wanted to visit Mrs. Hays it was all right for me to ride out with Mr. Hays. I might have done that."

Says She Never Danced.

"You had a victrola at your house and often men came and listened to the music, didn't they?"

"Yes, we listened to the music."

"And women often came to be with them and listen to the music didn't they?"

"It was just as much Buster and his friends as anyone."

"I am not asking about Buster and his friends, but others."

"Well, I had friends and acquaintances."

"And you often danced?"

"I don't know how to dance."

The crowd tittered here and the defense attorney seemed nonplussed. Mrs. Robertson appeared to be somewhat quieter now and was giving more lucid answers to the questioning.

"What did men do when they came up there?"

"Just laughed and talked; I tried to be friendaly with everyone."

"What women came up there?"

"I don't remember."

"Don't you remember any of them, can't you think of a single one of their names?"

"Well, there was Mrs. Cawthorne, and Mrs. Shepherd—and I knew Mrs. Campbell here (the witness pointed to the woman at her side) better than any one."

"Mrs. Campbell had never been into your house more than once or twice until Buster was shot, Mrs. Robertson. I am talking about before that. Did Mrs. Downing, Sis Downing, ever come to see you?"

"Yes sir."

"You don't know whether Mrs. Downing came to meet men for immoral purposes or not, do you?"

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Collier Spoke to Mrs. Robertson Before He Shot, Mother Testifies

HEREWITH is Mrs. Hattie Robertson's eye-witness story of the killing of her son by Frank Collier on the night of February 14:

"And now tell the jury, Mrs. Robertson, what happened when you got to the car."

"Well when we got there Mr. Collier got out and walked to us and I held out my hand to shake hands with him and I said 'Mr. Collier' and he said 'Mrs. Robertson.'"

"Then what did he say, Mrs. Robertson?"

"He asked us what we had to say about Buster and Mary Frances getting married."

"He asked you what you had to say about Buster and Mary Frances getting married, and then what did you tell him, Mrs. Robertson, just tell the jury there."

"I told him 'Mr. Collier, you can be assured that Mary Frances will never be abused if she comes into my house and that she will be just as safe as she would anywhere."

"After that, Mrs. Robertson, what did Mr. Collier do?"

"He turned loose of me and grabbed my boy and went to shooting."

This last was given in a tone barely audible and was followed by more sobbing.

She said Mr. Collier held Buster by the arm and shot him twice "and then the poor little fellow staggered around and fell down on the ground and Mr. Collier shot him twice more."

"What did you do after the shots were fired, Mrs. Robertson?"

"I ran to him and picked his head up in my lap and I said to him 'son, speak to me, say one word to me, son' but he couldn't speak and he tried to move and then the blood gurgled out of his mouth—and he was gone."

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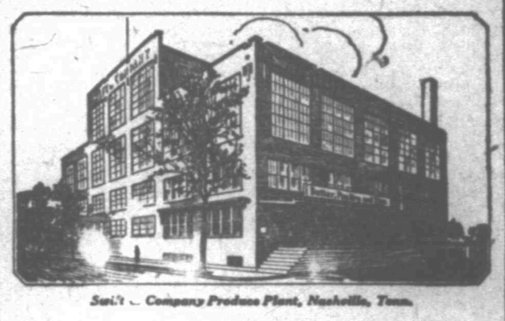
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The Twilight Status.

Representatives of teams interested in the Twilight league are slated to gather at Landon-Hill sporting goods company tonight at 7:30 for complete organization of the 1925 circuit. Last year's league was a six-team affair, but just how many clubs will be listed this summer is a question.

Several teams have dropped out. Several more have signified desire of joining. But it begins to appear that the organization will be of the four-club nature. Four team managers have lined up almost all the class of local amateur circles, and it is doubtful that two more teams picked from the city would be powerful enough to stay in the race.

Rather than take on a weak club or two that may drop out after losing several games it would be better to start with only a quartet instead of six. The matter is to be thrashed out in this evening session. Officers are to be elected, and a schedule adopted.

Rather Unique, What?

Bobby La Motte, shortstop hopeful with the St. Louis Browns this spring, boasts the unique distinction of being drafted from the manager's ranks to become a big league prospect.

La Motte starred at short for Memphis in the Southern league last season. He was one of the fastest men on base in the league, ranking well up in stolen bases and sacrifice hits. He was slated to become manager of the team the coming season and had been approached on the subject when the big league draft was held and the Browns drew him. He may get a chance in the Brown infield combine this season should Gerber fail to find his batting eye.

Scott's Legs O. K.

Speaking of Everett Scott, will it be that his arm and not his legs will eventually cause him to terminate his long period of service in short field? His legs feel as nimble as ever, he says, as he works out at St. Petersbug these days. He has the appearance of being in good shape as far as his pins go. But he has been favoring his arm considerably. It seems tender. His legs will be of little use to him if the old whip weakens.

Very Frank, Indeed.

They tell this one on Hank Gowdy, beloved Giant backstop. Hank reported for practice with the first squad of Giants. Grover Hartley, Mickey Devine and John Meuter, also catchers, came in later. But the veteran Frank Snyder failed to report. Hank found himself doing most of the catching. When Snyder arrived Gowdy greeted him profusely.

"I'm glad to see you," said Hank "Not so much because you're you but because I need your glove. Mine's shot already.

Signs Contract In Bed.

Paul Wanninger, young shortstop now trying out with the Yankees, has already won one claim to fame. He is probably the only rookie in baseball today who signed his big league contract while he lay on a hospital cot with one leg pulled high in the air with weights.

Wanninger, playing with Augusta in the South Atlantic league last season, was the outstanding infielder of the circuit. Scout Bob Gilks of the Yanks drifted over that way to see him play one day.

Wanninger was playing a brilliant game when he attempted a slide and broke his leg. Gilks was so impressed with the lad's style that he decided to take a chance on the leg healing properly and got the boy's signature to a contract the next day, while Winninger was in the process of kissing his baseball future goodbye.

Paul fielded brilliantly with Augusta, the records giving him a .932 average for 89 games. He hit within four points of .300.

He is young yet and has something to learn, but you can bet your hat the Yankees will keep a string on him as one hope to fill Everett Scott's shoes at short when the steel-legged one turns in his uniform.

Gophers Smack Farmers, 7 to 3

COLLEGE STATION, March 23.—The Texas Aggies met defeat today when the University of Minnesota baseball team hit Rogers seven times for seven runs. The final score was 7 to 3.

In the last inning, a home run by Kyle gave the Farmers two runs. The Gophers made merry on Aggie errors in the third and fifth innings.

Hillin relieved Rogers in the sixth and allowed one hit.

Guzy and Emerson had the Texans where they could not hit more than a pop-fly. Kyles' homer, Bell's bingle and a single by Hillin, were the old Aggies swats.

Score by innings:	R.	H.	E.
Minnesota ....003 040 000—7	8	1	
Texas A. & M..001 000 002—3	3	3	

Batteries: Guzy, Emerson and Chrisga; Rogers, Hillin and Schuenemman.

Greb To Box Tunney Friday

CHICAGO, March 23.—Harry Greb, world's middleweight champion after engaging in a spirited workout, left here tonight for St. Paul to meet Gene Tunney, light heavyweight champion in a 10-round contest Friday night. Greb after a three week's stay at Hot Springs, appeared to be in perfect condition. He expects to weigh 167 pounds for Tunney.

Tunney is after a match with Tom Gibbons, the St. Paul heavyweight, and Manager Billy Gibson's strategy in forcing such a match is to defeat Greb first. Greb holds a referee's decision over Gibbons, Tunney will make the effort in Gibbons' home town and probably with Gibbens viewing the proceedings from the ring side.

BUDDY WELL PLEASED WITH SHOWING MADE IN ST. PAUL SERIES BY CRIPPLED SQUAD

Joe Berger's Denver Western Leaguers Flock Into Camp Friday For Three-Game Stand

BY BLONDY CROSS

The windup of the St. Paul series Sunday almost forgotten, Skipper Tanner and his Spudder squad settled down to the regular training camp grind again Monday. Gang slipped out bright and early for a short morning round in the batting cage and came back for a long session during the afternoon. Squad's in fairly good shape. Al White's injured finger is still incased in an adhesive tape uniform, but its better. Pete Turgeon's sore whip is improving, and Left Brown's southpaw control is no worse.

The only casualty realized in the practices was incurred by the redoubtable Ping Bodie. Victor Pigg let go a wild one during the forenoon round, and caught Pingum, who was standing at the platter, bat in hand, preparatory to taking on a little slugging exercise, on the starboard thumb. The blow put a mountainous lump at the base of the mighty warrior's digit. While trying to protect the injured member later in the day and spear fly balls simultaneously, the rollicking gent snagged a finger nail. Couldn't get the right kind of a grip on his bat during the afternoon round because of the afflicitions, therefore his stick work was a dismal failure. The injuries won't be with Ping long though. He should be in keen fettle by Friday when Josephus Berger, former Spudder, brings his Denver Bears from the wild and wooly Western league to the Spud plant for the first of a three-game exhibition stand.

But enunciating in regards to fingers, sore index of White's failed to hinder him sufficiently, the Yanni- gans will tell you, if you give 'em a particle of an opening. Regulars squelched the rookies, Buddy Tanner, etc., 19 to 9, or some such score, in an abbreviated afternoon frolic. Third-sacking Al gave the Yans a nasty dig in one round, hoisting the spheroid over the port boundary with two on the cushions. There were numerous base hits, also a number of errors. To have attempted to compile a box score on the affair would have driven a statistician goofy. It was this kind of a game: So-and-so hit a two-bagger. The way he did it was to pop one back of third. Third-baseman-shortstop, and left fielder then trotted over in the general direction of where they figured the pill was slated to fall. Taking a good look at it, each then decided it was the other fellow's ball, and stepped back to let him have it. Apple flopped safely to the turf. By that time the batter had traveled as far as second, maybe third if one of the fielders didn't suddenly become imbued with the ambitious desire to do a reverse, and make a put-out.

In short, the Spudders yesterday were tinctured with ennui, attacked by that well known disease, spring fever. They took it more or less easily. 'Twas a natural let-down followng the hard three-game tussle with St. Paul, and Monday's balmy weather didn't speed up matters any.

SKIPPER'S IN JOVIAL MOOD

One-a-day sessions the remainder of the week, announced the skipper. They're due to buckle down the rest of the way.

The skipper was in a jovial mood when we cornered him in his studio after the second workout. Couldn't help being any other way. You see, Bud's tickled over the showing his noble athletes made Friday, Saturday and Sunday with the American association crew. "Team looked mighty good to me," quoth Bud. "I certainly was surprised at the way they came through considering that the whole lot of 'em were not near in shape."

Tanner didn't go far enough into details. As any close follower of baseball who witnessed the exhibitions realizes, the Spudders completely outplayed Nick Allen's Saints. They looked better a-field and sweeter at bat. To an observer who was not acquainted with the two clubs it would appear that the Spudders were the class AA league nine and St. Paul the class A team instead of just the opposite.

The Tannermen encountered their first curve ball pitching of the year Friday when they tangled with the Saints in the opening enboglio.

They didn't falter a second, but piled onto the visitors for a 7 to 5 victory. And they would have toppled the Saints by a better score than that had they carried the pitching that Nick Allen produced.

Spudder hurlers were far from condition. Not a one of them had endeavored to any appreciable extent to put anything on the ball this season prior to these games. They went into the contests merely as one phase of the conditioning process, instructed to take it easy, not overdo themselves, and curve few of 'em. At that, Spuds came very near to walloping the Saints Saturday. Would have but for a ninth inning comeback that netted four markers for the Nick tribe, and overcame a two-run advantage to sew up the fest, 8 to 6.

JUST GIVE 'EM A LITTLE TIME

Lefty Brown packed world's of stuff in the two couplets he performed on the slab Sunday. He shot 'em in there with angles attached of the caliber that would baffle any plain geometry of the old or new school. That kind of pitching, had he been able to control it, could beat any club in the world. Sunday was Letty's initial 1925 effort at curving.

Young Ding Dong Bell hurled a heady five innings. Four of those rounds were almost perfect. He was cool, didn't get rattled, and seemed to be thinking—something that is difficult for some ball players to do. Saints checked in for a sextet of markers in one round off Bell, but there wouldn't have been a single counter had not an infielder's jungle heave after there were two away opened up the channel. Bell, so far, appears to be one of the rookies who will earn a regular semi-monthly stipend with the Spudders this summer.

Had the mound staff been a week or so further along in condition, Wichita Falls, no doubt, would have swept the series. As it was the Spudders outhit the Saints even though Spud hurlers had to put 'em in there fat most of the time in order to avoid walking more than the abnormal number of free passes that were doled out. A majority of the Saints' safe blows came from hopping on "cripples," served up because the pitcher couldn't control the ball enough to put anything on it, and was usually in the hole, too. McGee and Collins of the Saints, rode a pair of those groove offerings over the fence, Bodie of the Spudders, stepped into one of the same nature dished up by Ray Kolp, St. Paul right-hander, Sunday for the longest drive ever poled in the Spudder orchard.

The hitting of Callaghan, Fitzgerald, Bodie, Turgeon and Dorman were the sensations of the series. Cal, under the weather Sunday, participated in but two of the games. Out of nine official trips to the platter he walloped six safeties, two of which were doubles. Fitzgerald larruped five hits out of 14 times at bat. Two of these were two-baggers. Bodie came through for five safe cracks out of 11, one of which was a homer, and another a double. Turgeon hit safely four out of 11. He poled a homp run and a double. Dorman smacked four out of 12, three of which were triples. Query ventured to the platter five times and poked a double and a single. In all three games the Spudders drove out 33 safe clouts off curve ball pitching against 31 for St. Paul off the weak offerings of ill-conditioned pitchers. And, brother, don't imagine for a second that those Saint hurlers didn't pull all kinds of tricks with that apple. They were in far better shape, also had romped through a number of exhibition affairs before luvading the Spud ballwick.

SANDE ASTRIDE AGAIN

Famous Jockey Takes First Ride Since Injury Last Fall.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Earl Sande, famous jockey today was astride a saddle for the first time since he suffered a broken leg in a spill last August at Saratoga Springs.

Sande mounted Lapiander, a 3-year-old at the Jamaica track, and indulged in a spirited run after which he said that he felt no ill effects. He will leave for the Rancocas farm next week.

Kiwanis Prepares To Begin Nursery Purchase Soon

Initial Payment On Lamar Street Property To Be Made This Week

Property at 403-405 Lamar street will receive the initial payment for purchase as the site of the new day nursery building for the Federated Missionary society this week, upon action of the board of directors of the Kiwanis club, according to plans laid at Monday's Kiwanis luncheon at the Kemp hotel.

J. C. Crane, committeeman appointed last week by President Jim Gant, reported investigations as to various properties suitable, quoting prices and qualifications, after which Carter McGregor moved that the board of directors of the club take charge of the purchase. The motion carried unanimously, and according to Secretary Frank Queisser, a drive to raise necessary funds will follow the initial payment on the property, the drive beginning the last of this week or the first of next week, conducted by the Federated Missionary society aided by Kiwanians.

Miss Glenore Fisk, city executive of the Camp Fire girls presented before the club a program "A Day in Summer Camp," illustrating Camp Fire activities, games, stunts, songs, and handcraft by means of six Camp Fire girls who acted in pantomime while Miss Fisk gave a Camp Fire talk.

Teaching the girls to become healthy, happy and capable young women was stressed as an ideal of the organization. The six girls assisting in the program, dressed in the camp middy and bloomers were Misses Cliftine Butler, Juanita Bachman, Jean Fisk, Viola Chewning, Edith Crump, and Lucille Ballard.

OLEOMARGARINE BILL FAILS

California Assembly Refuses to Impose Tax on Butter By-Product.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 23.—Effort to secure in the California assembly a reconsideration of the bill to levy a tax of two cents a pound on oleomargarine products, passed by that body two weeks ago, failed today. The measure will now go to the senate where it is expected a close vote will decide the issue.

DARLING IS IMPROVED

Physicians Have Hope for First Time of Cartoonists Recovery.

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 23.—Physicians attending J. N. (Ding) Darling, famous cartoonist tonight held hope for his recovery for the first time since he became seriously ill. He is ill with peritonitis.

Young Shades Duke In Slashing Go

Driving Finish By Tulsan Wins Thrilling Scrap

Trammel Wages Stiff Battle, But Is Outspeeded By Sooner

CARP DEFEATS MARTIN

Moco Flattens Rival Five Times Before Sponge Hits Mat

By BLONDY CROSS

Duke Trammel of Fort Worth, Wichita Falls' fistic favorite, waged one of the prettiest and cleverest scraps of his career Monday eve in the American legion ten-round top liner, but Duke's best last night was not quite good enough to earn the verdict over Sid Young, Tulsa welterweight flash.

Trammel was outspeeded.

But the victor's margin was meager, contrary to the opinion of many fans who sat in the rear of the house and yelped lustily every time Young slapped the Fort Worth lad on an arm or shoulder.

Slashing Sid slithered swiftly around the sinister but slower Trammel, jabbed with a left, hooked and crossed with a right to outpoint his opponent in five of the ten frames. Trammel was never in serious danger of mingling with the rosin. On the other mitt, Young came very near to osculating the canvas in the ninth canto. One round was just about as even-Stephen as they ever manage to be. Trammel carried four.

Although outpointed, Trammel imbedded the thought in the minds of a number of ringsiders that were the two ever to square off again sooner or later he would manage to get over with the dream poke. Whether or not that idea has firm foundation is another matter.

But last night, Dukum couldn't land with his potent starboard hook, the death-dealing blow that has caused the majority of his opponents to straddle out on the mat in sublime slumber. He measured Young time and again, but started few. The Tulsan was surprisingly elusive.

Not Such Big Margin

Young's margin up to the final round, though many would have you believe different, was so slim that it did not warrant a decision either way. In fact, Trammel had just finished running him all over the hempen square, and pouring it to him with no show of quarter. But Sid romped over in the tenth, bored in and they swapped it out. Swaying and bouncing, Young was a difficult target for Trammel to hit. The Fort Worth glovester mauled away determinedly, but his rival was faster. Young alternated with a left jab that seldom missed its mark, and followed with a right cross that though catching Duke high on the face the greater number of shots registered sufficiently to give him the round by a nice margin. The pair fought so furiously that at the close of hostilities both were all in. This flourishing comeback is what, no doubt, caused Referee Friedman to give Young the decision.

Trammel got away to a fast start in the opening chukker. He did no material damage, but earned the round by a shade. Young grabbed the next two couplets by slight margins simply because he was too fast for Trammel. He dodged, side-stepped, led most of the way, bouncing a series of snappy left jabs off Trammel's eyebrows, and occasionally coming up with a right uppercut, which, however, usually caught Duke in a shell.

Trammel Takes Fourth

Trammel breezed to the front in the fourth. He worked coolly, landed solidly, and made his punches count. No blows fell on vulnerable spots, but a clip to the head followed by several body punches had Young in trouble temporarily.

Trammel shaded Young in the fifth, but the sixth was even up. Young worked fast this round, but Duke's defense was stiff, and he countered enough to break even.

The speeding Tulsan gave Trammel a sweet boxing lesson in the seventh. He danced back and forth, darted in and out, and peppered away merrily, scoring almost at will. He pranced back in the eighth to win a shade, but couldn't land effectively.

Trammel came near to stowing the fisticuff in the ninth. He ploughed into the Oklahoman at a terrific pace, landed solidly on all but the button, made his punches count during the early portion of the round and midway had Young hanging on. Wallops to the midriff and a couple of stiff smacks to the mush put Sid in sore plight, but he managed to get away, pulled up, and was looking better at the gong. This round would have given Trammel the fight but for the slashing finale enacted by the Socner.

Moco Carpenter, Wichita Falls light heavy, dashed a tub of cold water on his feud with Buster Martin of Tulsa when after mauling the visiting heavyweight brutally, Martin's seconds tossed in the sponge during the sixth round of a scheduled ten-rounder.

Martin Fights Gamely

Carpenter shaded Buster in the first. The second and third were fair draws, but Carp sent his opponent to the canvas four times in the fourth. Martin went down under a right hook to the point, but staid under for only four counts, coming up groggy merely to be beaten back again. He struggled to his feet thrice more, and gamely stuck the rest of the round. Carp tried to put him away in the fifth, popped him on the button several times, but couldn't keel him over. Another right flush to the jaw in the sixth dropped Buster to his knees, but he came to his feet with only the lapse of a second, and stood in a stooping posture, hanging onto the lower rope. Carp retired, thought a bit, and came back to finish the fight, but didn't have the heart. Martin was in a legal position for Moco to hit him, although the referee was tolling off the count. Seconds then threw down the defeat token.

Tuffy Bryant was given a draw in four rounds with Dale Bowman, but if anything the decision should have been his. In the last round, Dale, who was in no condition, kept up a backward march, and landed no more than a few gentle taps. Tuffy took more punches, but was the tougher.

Kid Norfolk, negro welter, cleaned up on Kid Amis in four rounds. Kid Sam and Battling Ned, two other darktown fistic lights, kept the crowd in an uproar with a four-round draw. Young Smith and Kid Williams, 70-pounders, fought three rounds to a draw in the curtain raiser.

Nurmi To Sail Home In May

NEW YORK, March 23.—Paavo Nurmi today completed the program for the remainder of his American visit.

Planning to sail for home early in May without competition on eastern outdoor tracks, the famous Finn signed entry blanks for a dozen meets in this country and Canada and tentatively agreed to compete in three more.

New York City track fans, before whom Paavo has made many of his records in this phenomenal indoor season will see him for the last time tomorrow night when he runs in the mile and half event at the 244th field artillery games in the ninth coast artillery armory. James J. Connolly, former Georgetown star, will be his chief opponent.

Officials of the San Francisco meet, it was said, had asked Nurmi to appear there early in March but he has required them to assign him April 30, in as much as he hopes to leave for Europe soon thereafter. He has several engagements in England and Germany about the middle of May.

RENAULT BEATS ROMERO

NEWARK, N. J., March 23.—Jack Renault, Canadian heavyweight, tonight outpointed Quinen Romero of Chile, in a 12-round bout here in the opinion of newspapermen.

BATTER VS. FIELDER
Which Will Win in Indian Infield Contest?



By NORMAN E. BROWN.
Written Especially For The Record News

LAKELAND, Fla., March 23.—There's a merry little battle on down here as the Cleveland Indians go through their daily workout and practice game to fit themselves for the coming campaign.

The opponents in this battle are: Young Chic Fewster, late of New York, in this corna-a-a, as the fight announcers down here draw it out. And Mr. Joe Klugman, late of Brooklyn, in this corna-a-a.

And the prize they seek is the honor of playing second base.

"Right now I couldn't name the man who will get the job," admits Manager Speaker.

"Fewster is one of the best infielders in the game today. He plays one ball better than Eddie Collins. That's saying a lot. I dont mean to say he is a better ball player than Collins, but he can play a slow-hit ball better than Eddie or any man in the game. And anyone will tell you that a slow-hit ball is the meanest one to play."

All of which indicates that the Indian boss has some respect for Fewster and his fielding ability.

Injury Halts Fewster.

Fewster's weakness lies—or did lie—at the bat. You'll probably recall that he was hit in the head by a batted ball while with the Yankees a few seasons ago. The blow almost cost him his life. It left its effect apparently permanently. Fewster not only changed from a calm, consistent ball player to an erratic, temperamental one, but his batting dropped to nothing, due to bat shyness. His fielding was brilliant at times, then mediocre. Decisions against him threw him into a rage.

When the Indians got him in a trade Speaker's choice was knocked. Spoke had faith in the lad, however, and set to work to bring him back to his old form. In New York Fewster was considered done. Speaker set out to convince Fewster he wasn't and seems to have succeeded. New York critics told Speaker Fewster couldn't play good ball for more than a week at a stretch. Speaker kept him in the lineup three months last year and Chick produced, afield at least.

Speaker also set out to eliminate his temperament. He chose the most drastic but effective way—fining Fewster every time he "blew out." The system worked. Spoke believes that Fewster has learned to control his feelings.

But on the Other Hand—

But there is Mr. Klugman. Boy, how he can hit! He is a great, big husky gent with a good pair of shoulders and a good eye. He loves to hit. A man must like to hit to be a good hitter. Klugman, Speaker figures, can keep up his part of the batting order day in and day out if given a chance.

year he hit .

After joining Minneapolis last year, he hit .376 in 55 games. He played 33 games at second and some in the outfield.

Fewster hit .267 last year in 101 games for the Indians. This mark was low, but it might be mentioned that Willie Kamm, great young third sacker of the White Sox, hit but .254.

Fewster is a mighty sweet fielder. Klugman is a beauty at bat. How'd you like to have Spoke's job of picking the right man?

TRAINING CAMP NEWS

PIRATES 15; FRISCO 7
SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh (National)	15	15	
San Francisco (Coast)	7	9	1

Batteries: Shelton, Culloton and Gooch; Crockett, Gillespie and Yelle.

SOX WALLOP GASSERS
SHREVEPORT, La., March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago (American)	8	10	1
Shreveport (Texas)	4	12	2

Batteries: Robertson, Blankenship, Cvengros and Bischoff; Sale, Peters, Dobbs and Graham, Burns.

COBB TAKES FIGHTERS
DETROIT, March 23.—Only those pitchers who are fighting for their jobs this season will be taken on the Detroit Tigers' first exhibition trip which starts tomorrow night, Manager Ty Cobb announced at Augusta, Ga., today. Those sure to be kept will continue training at Augusta.

CLEVELAND 3; COLUMBUS 2
LAKELAND, Fla., March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland (American)	3	9	1
Columbus (A. A.)	2	5	0

Batteries: Burkepe, Spence and Myatt; Foulk, McQuillan and Cady, Bird.

YANKS SCUTTLE BRAVES
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
New York (American)	8	9	0
Boston (National)	3	11	2

Batteries: Hoyt, Shocker and O'Neil; Hoffman, Mooney, Ogodowski, Graham Benton and Cousineau.

DODGERS BUY PETTY
INDIANAPOLIC., Ind., March 23.—Jess Petty, star left-handed pitcher of the Indianapolis American association team was sold today to the Brooklyn Nationals, says a dispatch to the Indianapolis News from Tampa, Fla. Pitcher "Dutch" Henry and an unannounced amount of cash were turned over to the Indians, the dispatch says.

Petty was the leading American association pitcher last year, winning 29 games and losing 7. Petty came here in 1920 from Cleveland. He pitched for Waco, Texas, in 1917.

ROBINS KICK SENATORS
TAMPA, Fla., March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn (National)	11	16	1
Washington	3	7	3

Batteries: Vance, Greene, Osborne and Deberry, Taylor; Covsleskie, Ogden, Marberry and Ruel, Tate.

REDS WOP TOLEDO
DELAND, Fla., March 23.—

	R.	H.	E.
Toledo (A. A.)	9	14	1
Cincinnati (National)	13	20	2

Batteries: Naylor, Frey, Lyons and Shubert; Rixie, Benton and Hargrave.

ACQUIT DRIVER OF MURDER

HOUSTON, March 23.—Federico Rodrigues, rent car driver, was acquitted by a jury in criminal district court Monday of the murder of Glenn W. McClanahan, another rent car driver, who was killed in a fight between the drivers on January 7, 1924.

The state relied principally on the testimony of another rent car driver, who testified at the examining trial of Rodrigues, but who has since disappeared.

Tribe Hooks Up With Pack Again This Afternoon

Indians Prepare For Game At Vernon With Lions Friday

The Junior collefe Indians are billed to hook up today with the Coyote pack in a short practice game. They have beaten the Coyotes twice in practice tilts.

Wednesday they will meet the Coyote pups in another practice game to whip themselves into shape for the final contest of the week at Vernon. They play the Vernon Lions there Friday.

No games are scheduled for Thursday and only the last practice to condition the boys for Friday's game will be held.

With Timmons and Crites both looking good for mound selection the hurling should be well cared for. An infield of Clary at first, Thurman at second, Kizziar at short, and Deems at third will make the base hits a very scarce thing in the games.

The snappiest infield workout of the year was the program of the Tribe Monday. They went through the drill in great style and seemed to be set for the three games this week will bring forth.

RICKARD MAY BE SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PEN

Judge Indicates His Verdict To Call For Prison Term

TRENTON, N. J., Mar. 23.—Indication that George L. (Tex) Rickard and probably all of the defendants in the Dempsey-Carpentier prize fight conspiracy case will be sentenced to Atlanta penitentiary was interpreted from Judge Bodine's statement in the United States court here today in granting a motion to suspend sentence until next Monday at Newark.

Walter D. Vanriper, acting for all the defendants argued that sufficient time had not been granted to allow counsel to proceed through the testimony and prepare an appeal.

"I suppose that an appeal will be taken?" Judge Bodine inquired of Vanriper.

"That depends on the nature of the sentence, your honor," he replied.

"Well, when you come into court next Monday you had better have your appeal papers prepared," the judge concluded.

Previously the judge had spoken of the case as being a flagrant violation of the law.

High School Star Engineers Triple Play in Practice

Coyotes Down Second Nine In Four Innings, 3 to 0

Coyote regulars took the long end of a four-inning battle Monday 3 to 0. But to the Yanigan infield goes the big play of the day. Coyal Francis, Coyote utility man, engineered the first tripple killing of the city. In the fourth frame with men on first and second, Lesley line one over short that looked good for a hit. The big shortstop stabbed it with his gloved hand, stepped on second, and threw to Bullard at first to complete the play.

Stacy Jenkins was the big man in the regular infield and turned in many nice plays during the short contest. Shorty Rundell pulled another thrill in the second when the little fellow lined the ball against the school building for a home run.

Verna Bullard, Yanigan first sacker, played a neat game at first and showed up well in handling throws both good and bad.

The Coyotes are apparently ready for the third battle with the Indians today and expect to give the Tribe a harder fight to win.

BAYLOR LOSES

At Waco:
Missippi Aggies 10; Baylor University 4.



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From Italy.

—All you men who know quality will admit that a Borsalino hat is as good as money can buy.

—This shipment has all the new shapes for spring and early summer wear and the colors are gray, pearl, fawn, tan, and other shades of brown as well as black.

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BAREE, SON OF KAZAN

by James Oliver Curwood

A LOVE EPIC OF THE FAR NORTH

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"BAREE, SON OF KAZAN," a Vitagraph Picture, With Wolf, the War Dog, is an Adaptation of This Story

SYNOPSIS

Bush McTaggart, the factor of Post MacBain, a brutal and unscrupulous schemer, was determined to marry Nepeese, the beautiful Indian "princess," daughter of Pierrot, the trapper. He had tired of Marie, the slim Cree girl who had been his companion. McTaggart's advances were distasteful to Nepeese and aroused the enmity of her father, so the conscienceless factor plotted to do away with Pierrot if necessary to win his daughter for himself.

CHAPTER XI—Continued

He chuckled again as he made his way through the darkness to the door. Nepeese as good as belonged to him. He would have her if it cost — Pierrot's life. And — why not? It was all so easy. A shot on a lonely trap-line, a single knife-thrust—and who would know? Who would guess where Pierrot had gone? And it would all be Pierrot's fault. For the last time he had seen Pierrot, he had made an honest proposition: he would marry Nepeese. Yes, even that. He had told Pierrot so. He had told Pierrot that when the latter was his father-in-law, he would pay him double price for furs.

And Pierrot had stared—had stared with that strange, stunned look in his face, like a man dazed by a blow from a club. And so if he did not get Nepeese without trouble it would all be Pierrot's fault. To-morrow McTaggart would start again for the halfbreed's country. And the next day Pierrot would have an answer for him. Bush McTaggart chuckled again when he went to bed.

Until the next to the last day Pierrot said nothing to Nepeese about what had passed between him and the factor at Lac Bain. Then he told her.

"He is a beast—a man-devil," he said, when he had finished. "I would rather see you out there—



"And he pointed to the tall spruce under which the princess mother lay."

with her—dead." And he pointed to the tall spruce under which the princess mother lay.

Nepeese had not uttered a sound. But her eyes had grown bigger and darker, and there was a flush in her cheeks which Pierrot had never seen there before. She stood up when he had done, and she seemed taller to him. Never had she looked quite so much like a woman, and Pierrot's eyes were deep-shadowed with fear and uneasiness as he watched her while she gazed off into the northwest—toward Lac Bain.

She was wonderful, this slip of a girl-woman. Her beauty troubled him. He had seen the look in Bush McTaggart's eyes. He had heard the thrill in McTaggart's voice. He had caught the desire of a beast in McTaggart's face. It had frightened him at first. But now—he was not frightened. He was uneasy, but his hands were clenched. In his heart there was a smoldering fire. At last Nepeese turned and came and sat down beside him again, at his feet.

"He is coming to-morrow, ma cherie," he said. "What shall I tell him?"

The Willow's lips were red. Her eyes shone. But she did not look at her father.

"Nothing, Nootawe—except that you are to say to him that I am the one to whom he must come—for what he seeks."

Pierrot bent over and caught her smiling. The sun went down. His heart sank with it, like cold lead.

From Lac Bain to Pierrot's cabin the trail cut within half a mile of the beaver-pond, a dozen miles from where Pierrot lived; and it was here, on a twist of the creek in which Wakayoo had caught fish for Baree, that Bush McTaggart made his camp for the night.

It was a splendid night that followed. Perhaps Baree would have slept through it in his nest on the top of the dam if the bacon smell had not stirred the new hunger in him. Since his adventure in the canyon, the deeper forest had held a dread for him, especially at night.

But this night was like a pale, golden day: it was moonless; but the stars shone like a billion distant lamps, flooding the world in a soft and billowy sea of light. A gentle whisper of wind made pleasant sounds in the treetops. Beyond that it was very quiet.

In this silence Baree began to hunt. He stirred up a family of half-grown partridges, but they escaped him. He pursued a rabbit that was swifter than he. For an hour he had no luck. Then he heard a sound that made every drop of blood in him thrill. He was close to McTaggart's camp, and what he heard was a rabbit in one of McTaggart's snares. He came out into a little starlit open and there he saw the rabbit going through a most marvelous pantomime. It amazed him for a moment, and he stopped in his tracks.

Wapoos, the rabbit, had run his furry head into the snare, and his first frightened jump had "shot" the sapling to which the copper wire was attached so that he was now hung half in mildair, with only his hind feet touching the ground. And there he was dancing madly while the noose about his neck slowly choked him to death.

Baree gave a sort of gasp. He could understand nothing of the part that the wire and the sapling were playing in this curious game. All he could see was that Wapoos was hopping and dancing about on his hind legs in a most puzzling and unrabbit-like fashion. It may be that he thought it some sort of play. In this instance, however, he did not regard Wapoos as he had looked on Umisk the beaver. He knew that Wapoos made mighty fine eating, and after another moment or two of hesitation he darted upon his prey.

McTaggart had heard no sound, for the snare into which Wapoos had run his head was the one set farthest from the camp. Beside the smouldering coals of his fire he sat with his back to a tree, smoking his black pipe and dreaming covetously of Nepeese, when Baree continued his night wandering. Baree no longer had the desire to hunt. He was too full. But he nosed in and out of the starlit spaces, enjoying immensely the stillness and the golden glow of the night. He was following a rabbit run when he came to a place where two fallen logs left a trail no wider than his body. He squeezed through; something tightened about his neck; there was a sudden snap—a swish as the sapling was released from its "trigger"—and Baree was jerked off his feet so suddenly that he had no time to conjecture as to what was happening.

The yelp in his throat died in a gurgle, and the next moment he was going through the pantomimic actions of Wapoos, who was having his vengeance inside him. For the life of him Baree could not keep from dancing about, while the wire grew tighter and tighter about his neck. When he snapped at the wire and flung the weight of his body to the ground, the sapling would bend obligingly, and then—in its rebound—would yank him for an instant completely off the earth. Furiously he struggled. It was a miracle that the fine wire held him. In a few moments more it must have broken—but McTaggart had heard him! The Factor caught up his blanket and a heavy stick as he hurried toward the snare. It was not a rabbit making those sounds—he knew that. Perhaps a fisher-cat—a lynx, a fox, a young wolf——

It was the wolf he thought of first when he saw Baree at the end of the wire. He dropped the blanket and raised the club. If there had been clouds overhead, or the stars had been less brilliant, Baree would have died as surely as Wapoos had died. With the club raised over his head McTaggart saw in time the white star, the white-tipped ear, and the jet black of Baree's coat.

With a swift movement he exchanged the club for the blanket.

In that hour, could McTaggart have looked ahead to the days that were to come, he would have used the club.

CHAPTER XII

Half an hour later Bush McTaggart's fire was burning brightly again. In the glow of it Baree lay trussed up like an Indian papoose, tied into a balloon-shaped ball with babiche thong, his head alone showing where his captor had cut a hole for it in the blanket. He was hopelessly caught—so closely imprisoned in the blanket that he could scarcely move a muscle of his body. A few feet away from him McTaggart was bathing a bleeding hand in a basin of water. There was also a red streak down the side of McTaggart's bullish neck.

"You little devil!" he snarled at Baree. "You little devil!"

He reached over suddenly and gave Baree's head a vicious blow with his heavy hand.

"I ought to beat your brains out and I believe I will!"

(To be continued)

CORRECTION LAWYER NEEDED

We Will Probably Appoint Man to Change Typographical Errors in Laws

AUSTIN, March 23.—(AP)—A lawyer probably will be appointed by Governor Ferguson to correct typographical errors in the new codification of Texas laws passed by the legislature, according to Judge June Harris, member o fthe codifying committee. A provision for this was written into the law by the commission in addition to usual custom of all legislatures, Judge Harris said. Repeated proof readings are necessary to eliminate all errors and this was not possible in the new code because of lack of time, Judge Harris said.

STRIKE GOLD IN MONTANA

BUTTE, Mont., March 23.—Strikes of high grade gold and silver ore in the Orphan Gilr Mine of the Anaconda company mine in the midwest mining properties and the Minnie Jane Mine here were reported by mining company officials last night. The ore assays a high percentage of the valuable metals, reports indicate.

FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Will Try To Raise $1,000,000 To Finance Project For Next Fall.

NEW YORK, March 23.—A drive to raise an endowment fund of $1,000,000 to establish the Walter Hines Page school of international relations was launched yesterday. The school is to be a Johns Hopkins university and is expected to be opened next fall.

RAIN WILL HELP CROPS.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, March 23.—A rainfall of .28 inches here last night will make the coming cotton crop and was worth millions to the valley. The rain is reported general throughout the section.

STOCK PRICES COLLAPSE

Selling Orders Bring Levels To Lowest Recorded In Years.

NEW YORK, March 23.—(AP)—Stock prices collapsed to the lowest levels of the year toda yunder the weight of an enormous volume of selling orders, many popular issues showing net losses of 3 to 10 points around noon with no effective buying power in sight.

TO AUSTION LANDS.

Over 100,000 Acres to Be Sold At Public Sale May 1.

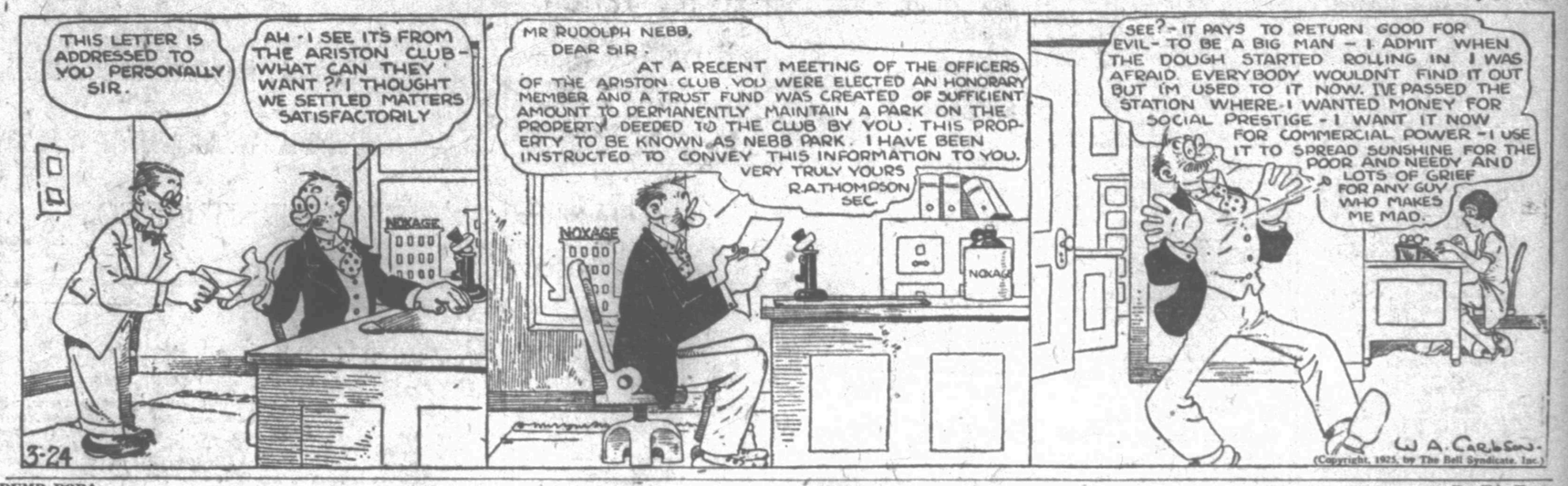
AUSTIN, March 23.—(AP)—Public lands totalling about 100,000 acres are to be placed o nthe market at public auction May 1, Land Commissioner Robinson announced today. The largest blocks are in Brewster, Culberson, Hudspeth, Presidio, Reeves and Ward counties. Som eof the land is the capitol syndicate tract recovered from the 3,000,000 acres given for construction ofthe capitol.

LIQUOR LAUNCH FOUND.

Velasco Guard Captures Vessel With 604 Packages of Booze.

GALVESTON, March 23.—The motor launch Mary, laden with 604 packages of assorted liquors was found by the Velasco coast guard crew anchored off shore some six miles south of San Luis Pass Saturday afternoon, it became known here today with the arrival ofthe launch at pier 22 where her cargo was unloaded, by customs authorities.

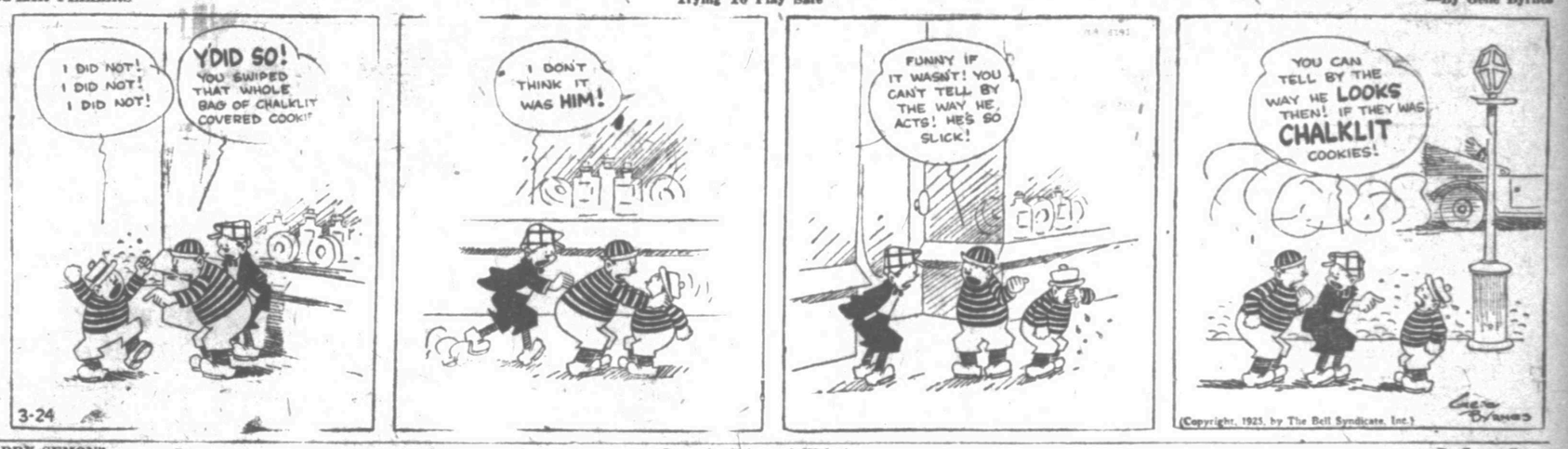
THE NEBBS — And Caesar Had His Brutus — —By Sol Hess



DUMB DORA — —By Chic Young



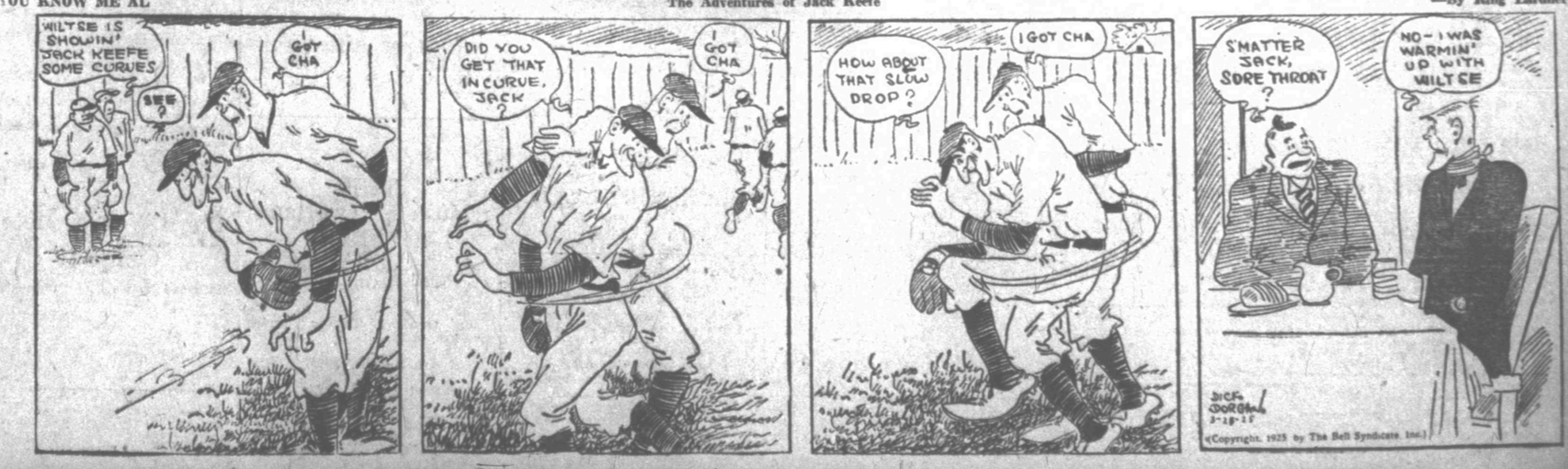
"REG'LAR FELLERS" — Trying To Play Safe — —By Gene Byrnes



"LARRY SEMON" — Pass the Prince of Wales! — —By Larry Semon



YOU KNOW ME AL — The Adventures of Jack Keefe — —By Ring Lardner



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The Record News is authorized to announce the following candidates for city offices, subject to city election, Wichita Falls, April 7, 1925.

MAYOR
R. E. Shepherd
R. E. Huff

FINANCE COMMISSIONER
Oral Jones

POLICE COMMISSIONER
Frank Quelsser
R. N. (Grocerman) Wells.

SANITARY AND PARK COMMISSIONER
J. H. Patton

LOST AND FOUND

STOLEN—Columbia bicycle, straight bar frame. Think it was stolen from Fifteenth and Burnett. Reward. Return to 1608 Bluff. Phone 4808.

LOST—One 30x3½ Goodyear Ford tire and rim Friday night. Finder please return to Record News office and receive reward.

LOST—37x5 casing and rim between Holliday and Murphy's Corner. Finder please return to 702 Travis. Receive reward. Phone 3814 or write Lewis Karon, Box 407.

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HELP WANTED FEMALE

A MAID wanted; either a colored maid or a white maid. 812 Seventh street.

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WANTED — Carpenter work of any kind. No job too large or too small. J. D. Forest. Phone 5044.

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EXPERIENCED operators only can work at the O. K. Marcel Shop. No pupils. Marcel $1.00. 708 Indiana. Best equipped shop in town. Phone 7510.

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SALESMAN: Experienced, over 30, with car and knowledge of oil field operations north Texas and southern Oklahoma, one who can produce drawing account. Phone room 718, Kemp, for appointment.

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FRONT bedroom for rent to gentlemen only. 1209 Seventh.

FRONT room with garage and private entrance. 1709 Elizabeth. Phone 5545.

ROOMS FOR RENT

ROOMS with bath; two blocks from Kemp hotel, 706 Travis.

BOARD and room. Phone 6015. 702 Austin.

ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM and board, three meals, $8.50 per week; take Seventeenth street car to Bridwell, go south across Valley track. 1621 McGregor street.

ROOM AND BOARD, three meals a day, $10 a week. 1007 Burnett. Phone 6306.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

TWO light housekeeping rooms; everything furnished. 409 Lee street.

HOUSES FOR RENT

A TWO-ROOM, completely furnished, southeast apartment, on pavement, to couple only; garage. Everything furnished—$40 a month. Call 5514 after 6 p. m. 1612 Lucille.

FOR RENT—Five room house close in on pavement. Modern. No garage. Phone Grover Bullington, 6042.

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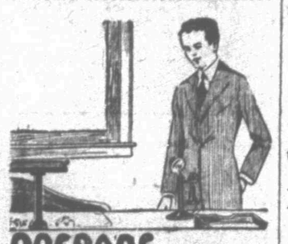
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Work in the Mark Masters Degree Wednesday evening March 25, 7 o'clock.

Faith Chapter, No. 713 O. E. S.—Meets Second and Fourth Thursday evenings in each month, 7:30 p. m., 813 Scott. MRS. PEARL VEROS, W. M., 1307 Polk street, phone 4830. LILLIE MAE EDMONDS, Secretary, 2504 Tenth, phone 7673. Faith Study Club will meet every first and third Thursday of each month.

Wichita Falls Council No. 140 R. & S. M.—Stated meeting first Monday night of each month at 7 p. m. Ed. Bunnenberg, T. I. M. W. J. Webb, Rec.

Wichita Falls Commandery No. 50—Stated conclave first and third Thursdays of each month.
R. E. NOLEN, E. C.
W. J. WEBB, Rec.

Work in the Illustrious Order of Red Cross and the Order of Malta beginning at 5:00 p. m. Supper at 6:30 p. m.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 635, A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings first and third Friday nights in each month.
J. W. LYLE, W. M.
W. J. Webb, Sec'y.

Instruction in the E. A. Degree Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 23, 24 and 25, 7 p. m.

Instruction in the Master's Degree Thursday March 26, 7 p. m.

Work in the Master's Degree Wednesday and Friday, March 25 and 27, 6:30 p. m.

Wichita Falls Council No. 1473 K. of C.—Meets every first and third Mondays at 8 p. m., 1509 9th St.
C. K. WALSH, G. K.
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John J. Block, F. S. 2113 Grant.

Wichita Falls Chapter No. 202, R. A. M.—Stated convocations, second Friday night in each month.
W. J. WEBB, Sec'y.
W. K. MILES, H. P.

Work in the Past Master's Degree Monday, March 23, 7 p. m.

Faith Lodge No. 1158, A. F. & A. M.—Stated meeting the first and third Tuesday nights of each month. Visitors cordially invited to attend. 813 Scott street.

Instruction of E. A. candidates each Monday evening. Call secretary in regard to other instruction.
THOS. R. WYNN, W. M.
G. W. CURD, Sec'y.

Will confer the E. A. & F. C. degrees Tuesday evening March 24, 7:30 o'clock, T. R. Wynn, W. M., in charge.

Musical masters, joint meeting with Wichita Falls Lodge No. 635, Masonic temple, Friday evening March 27, 8 o'clock.

Stated meeting and examinations Tuesday evening April 7, 8 o'clock.

Wichita Falls Chapter No. 257 of the Eastern Star meets first and third Tuesday nights in each month.
MRS. MARGARET BRADLEY, Phone 5766. W. M.
MRS. NENA FRITZ McGLINN, Secy. Phone 2629.

Wichita Falls Assembly No. 17, Order of the Rainbow for girls, sponsored by the Wichita Falls Chapter No. 257, meets second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Masonic Temple. Miss Mary Louise Carworthy advisor; Miss Mary C. Meredith, secretary.

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W. W. GARDNER, Potentate.
AL ELLIS, Recorder.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 1105 B. P. O. E. meets first and third Monday at Elks club corner Eighth and Scott Sts. Visiting members invited to attend.
O. E. JOHNSON, Exalted Ruler.
H. G. ENGLISH, Sec'y.

Wichita Falls Camp No. 3001 — Regular meeting first and third Wednesday nights. Labor Temple.
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Pennsy Crude Oil Given First Slash Of Year Yesterday

Twenty to Thirty-Five Cents Chopped Off Per Barrel

NO CUTS HERE

Long Line Of Increases Have Been Broken At Last

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 23.—(AP)—A decrease of from 20 to 35 cents a barrel in various grades of Pennsylvania crude oil was announced by purchasing agents today. The new prices are:

Pennsylvania grade in New York Transit Lines $3.65.

Bradford district oil in National Transit Lines $3.65.

Pennsylvania grade in Transit Lines $3.55.

Pennsylvania grade in Southwestern Pennsylvania Lines $3.55.

Pennsylvania grade in Eureka Lines $3.50.

Pennsylvania grade in Buckeye Lines $3.40.

A cut of 20 cents a barrel in the first four grades quoted, while a decrease of 25 cents was made on Pennsylvania grade in Eureka lines and a cut of 35 cents a barrel was made on Pennsylvania grade in Buceye lines.

New York Oil Notes

Humble Oil and Refining had a prosperous year in 1024, net profit amounting to $9,835,194, equal to $5.62 a share on the capital stock. This compared with $5,058,192 or $2.89 a share in 1923.

Net earnings of the Magnolia Petroleum company, for 1924 were $8,456,977 before federal taxes, equal to $4.69 a share on the capital stock against $8,110,660 or $4.50 a share in 1922. Gross earnings were $57,335,650, an increase of more than $5,000,000 over the previous year.

Simm Petroleum company earned $2.81 a share on the $10 par value capital stock in 1924 in contrast to 81 cents in 1923. Net income jumped to $1,922,217 from $341,408 the year before.

Gas Order Praised By Safety Council

An enthusiastic commendation to Fire Chief W. L. McClure was voted by the Wichita Falls Safety council last night at their regular bi-monthly meeting. The members also offered their support to the chief in his order of yesterday afternoon, that all gasoline containers in the business district be placed underground.

The chief's order was made following the accident Sunday morning at the Uneeda Tailors, which members of the council stated would have been avoided had the tanks been under the earth.

J. D. Bright was authorized to represent the council at the National Safety convention to be held at Chicago the latter part of this week. Mr. Bright will leave tomorrow.

A budget of $1,000 was accepted for the year. The amount was agreed upon by the recommendation of P. A. Rogers, chairman of the budget committee.

ROBERTS FUNERAL TUESDAY

Services to Be Held in Merkle Chapel at 10:30 This Morning.

Funeral services for W. G. Roberts, Wichita Falls man, who was found dead on the banks of Holliday creek Sunday afternoon, will be held at 10:30 Tuesday morning in the Merkle Undertaking parlors. Rev. Leslie Miller, pastor of the Grace Methodist church will be in charge and burial will be in Riverside.

He is survived by one brother, L. W. Roberts of this city.

[illegible]llbearers will be R. E. Marlow, [illegible] Scullahorn, C. R. Taylor, Guy [illegible]ack Humphrey and E. T. [illegible]

[illegible]il to Go To [illegible]Juliuson Funeral

[illegible] of the city council will go [illegible]his afternoon to the funeral [illegible]w Juliuson, central station [illegible]who was fatally burned at [illegible]eda Tailor shop fire Sunday. [illegible]y will pay all funeral ex[illegible] of the fireman and the individual members of the council made [illegible] fund from their own pockets to [illegible]nd a floral tribute.

As an aftermath of the gasoline explosion it was indicated that the prohibitory laws on storing explosives in Wichita Falls will be made much more stringent as a result of Juliuson's tragic death.

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Beautiful Residence Lots

located near Junior college, Sam Houston school (Grant Street), and east of Chenault home. Prices range from $500 to $1,100; terms one-third cash, balance easy. Don't fail to see these. 710 1-2 Indiana Ave., Room 12, upstairs. Phones 9107-3964.

CHEAP LOTS.

There are still a few nice lots in the vicinity of the Sam Houston school that can be had at from $400 to $600 on good terms.

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FOR SALE—3 choice north front lots northeast of light plant. Suited to man working in this vicinity. Call J. N. Sherrill, City Nat'l Bank Bldg.

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WANTED—Well contract for good rotary well rig or will lease. P. O. Box 1596, Wichita Falls.

News of the Fields

Texhoma, Gambrell

"The Robbers sand."

That is the name of the newest sand in the Mid-Continent oil region.

It has been discovered in the Oswald pool of Russell county, Kansas, and no horizon ever encountered by an oil drill was more properly named.

It has been noted by the H. F. Wilcox Oil and Gas company, dominant operators of the pool, that all of the wells it has drilled have shown better when they first got the sand than after being drilled in, but despite that fact it has been considered necessary to drill most of what has been considered the "pay." Great care has been taken to cement and otherwise protect the sand. The latest completion by that company, the Oswald Valerius No. 4, northwest of 17-12-15w, showed for 20 barrels per hour in the top of the sand and was then drilled in, decreasing to 10 barrels per hour. It was but a similar occurrence to what had happened on all previous wells completed.

Then came the next well to get the sand. It was the Derby Oil company's No. 1, in the northeast of the southwest of 5-12-15w—one and one-half miles north of production. It showed for 16 barrels per hour in the top of the sand and lost 10 barrels per hour after deepening. A production man got the idea that a soft streak in the lower part of the sand was, instead of being of the usual impervious quality and being a good container for petroleum, in fact absorbing the oil coming from the top of the sand. It was decided to plug back. This was done and the well immediately regained its production, increasing to 20 barrels per hour. The absorbent par tof the sand was accordingly named the "Robbers Sand."

It is doubtful if any more wells in that pool will be drilled more than a few inches in the sand.

Sun, Jeske

The Sun company is drilling ahead in its No. 1, Jeske, located on the south line of its lease in the BBB&CRR survey, abstract 826, north of Texhoma's Morrits Phillips, southwest of the Carey district. The well showed sandy shale at 1,182-87 feet, a small break and ten feet more of dry sandy shale.

The Texhoma Oil and Refining company has completed its No. 7, Gambrell, in the northwest corner of its lease, BBB&CRR survey, abstract 31, just northwest of Olney, for a 300-barrel well or better from sand at 1,220-29 feet. The derrick and rig is being skidded 300 feet south along the west line of the lease for the No. 8.

Murchison-Fain, Haygood

Murchison and Fain have skidded a location south for their No. 2, Haygood, TE&LCO survey, block 237, southwest end of the Litchfield pool, east of Olney, northeast Young county. The well will be the second from the northeast corner of the lease, and offsetting Lee Wilson's west line.

Lee Wilson is drilling on both his No. 2 and No. 3, Haygood, one located east of his first well and the other due south.

Texhoma et al, Hamilton

Texhoma Oil and Refining company and Golding are drilling deeper after testing a sand at 1,182 to 1,227 feet in their No. 1, Dr. G. B. Hamilton, located in the BBB&CRR survey, abstract 46, just northwest of Olney, and north of the Gahbrell pool, southwest Archer county. The sand showed salt water.

Perkins-Green, Powell

Perkins and Green were drilling yesterday below 1,350 feet after testing dry in a sand at 1,344-48 feet in their No. 1, Powell, located in the northeast corner of the TE&LCO survey, block 1586, northeast of Spring Creek, northwest Young county. The sand showed neither water, gas nor oil.

NW Of Archer City

Edwards-Dawson-Kennedy's No. 1, Powell, located in block 119, Harris subdivision of the Club ranch, northwest of Archer City, has been abandoned as dry at a total depth of 1,606 feet.

Young- Kennedy, Waggoner

Young Brothers and Kennedy have a derrick and will rig up rotary for a test located 660 feet west and 150 feet south of the northeast corner of the south one-half of block 7, H&TCRR survey. The test will be drilled to 2,000 feet.

Last Reports

Turman et al No. 1, Greenway, southwest Archer county, drilling at 700 feet.

Panhandle-Flowers No. 1, Travis county school lands, Throckmorton county, rigged up ready to spud.

Richardson No. 1, Thomas, Throckmorton county, drilling at 300 feet.

Richardson Brothers No. 1, Boone, West Archer county, drilling at 1,333 feet.

Marland et al No. 1, Odell, drilling at 3,120 feet; No. 1, Keeter, shut down for fuel at 700 feet; No. 1, Martin, drilling at 1,385 feet, all in Throckmorton county.

Root et al, No. 1 Waggoner, Wilbarger county, derrick.

Young No. 1, Burkchalter, Throckmorton county, drilling at 400 feet.

Richardson Brothers, No. 1, Johnston, North Young county, spudded.

Kelsay, No. 1, Howsley, South Throckmorton county, ready to start up at 50 feet.

Gwuinnup No. 1, Portwood, North Throckmorton county, location.

Humble No. 1, Waggoner, Wilbarger, drilling at 1,960 feet.

Panhandle-Knight-Hines No. 1, Brooks, northeast Young county, moving on.

Andrade No. 1, Peck, Throckmorton county, location.

Unoion No. 1, Mills, Wichita county, spudding.

Boone and others No. 1, Welsh, West Vernon, Wilbarger county, location.

Burns No. 1, Burns, north Young county, sd at water at 940 feet.

Young-Kennedy No. 1, Lemon, Archer county, dk.

Stump et al, No. 1, Wilson, moving on derrick and rig, nw Archer.

Everest No. 1, Womack, northwest Young county, spdg.

Schoonmaker No. 1, Waggoner, Wilbarger county, location.

James et al, No. 1, Johnston, Knox county, sd for boiler trouble at 2,1?0 feet.

Texhoma, Covert, north Wilbarger, underreaming at 1,080 feet.

Hill-Hayes No. 1, Stewart, near Farmer, north Young county, location.

Reed et al, Claud, central Young county location, rig on ground.

Petroleum Producers No. 1, Howard, ds at 2,190 feet.

Duke-McKee, Dipprey, Se Baylor county, spudded and dg.

Southern Exploration company, No. 1 Stevens, Throckmorton county, location.

Raysor et al, No. 1 Porter, south Archer county, location.

McQuaid, Schramm No. 1, east Gaylor county, location.

Mills Bennett, No. 1, Serelle, west Archer county, location.

Shell-Boggs, No 1, Wilson, location, Archer county.

Texhoma-Helmes, Flanicken, location north Wilbarger county.

Waxwell-Weekly No. 1, Morris, north Wilbarger, derrick.

Panhandle-Prince

Panhandle Refining company and Prince Brothers have erected a derrick for their No. 1, K. Key, located near the northwest corner of block 49, H&TCRR survey, block 12, near the junction of the Pease and Red rivers, north Wilbarger county. The test will be drilled with a rotary.

Texhoma, Covert

The Texhoma Oil and Refining drilled a foot or so of sandy lime which put a rainbow on the slush-pit yesterday in their No. 1, Covert, section 7, block 16, H&TCRR survey, six miles south of Odell, north Wilbarger county. Red beds were found again just below the lime streak, however.

Allday, Bettis

Allday Drilling company is drilling around 2,000 feet in his No. 1, Bettis, located in section 24, block 16, H&TCCRR survey, one mile north of Tolbert, north Wilbarger county, after passing up two sands at about 1,976 and 1,993 feet.

Supreme Court Will Test Divorce Decree

NEW YORK, March 23. — Mrs. Isabelle Coomes Gwathmey Jr., formerly of New Haven, Conn., brought in supreme court today a separation suit which will test the validity of a divorce decree obtained in Dallas, Texas, by Archibald G. Gwathmey Jr., cotton broker, and of his marriage to Mrs. Betsy Judd, at Greenwich, Conn., last July 4.

In the suit Mrs. Gwathmey charges abandonment and non-support, claiming that the broker left their home here September 20, 1919. Gwathmey today testified that he had been a resident of Dallas since November 8, 1922.

Isabelle Coomes became Mrs. Gwathmey Jr., in 1895. After they separated in 1919 Mrs. Gwathmey lost a suit for divorce, naming Mrs. Judd as co-respondent. The Texas decree and the Greenwich ceremony followed soon afterward.

PLAYS LOSING GAME.

Third Victim of Auto Wreck Is Not Expected to Live at San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—Death, Monday, was about to claim a third victim of an automobile accident Friday in which two railroad men were killed and four others injured, when an automobile turned over three times in the Terrian-Beitel road about 10 miles from this city.

G. A. Hobb, 1315 Munay street, a store keeper for the Pullman company, was waging a losing battle with death Monday, according to attaches at the Santa Rosa hospital. His death is expected within 24 hours, it was said. R. B. Daniels, 2411 South Flores street, yardmaster for the M. K. & T. railroad, at first believed near death, was reported as having a fighting chance for his life.

SHE WANTED BLUE DISHES.

San Antonio Woman Wrecks Cafe When Served Food on White Plate.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—She wanted to eat out of blue china dishes. When the waiter brought her meal on ordinary white plates the trouble started.

Which resulted in the wreckage of a cafe on the West Side late Sunday night the arrest of a 26-year-old woman for disturbing the peace.

Breaking most of the dishes in the restaurant, the woman was overturning the tables when Patrolmen Garcia and Herrera arrived on the scene, it was reported.

FAMOUS ROBBER ESCAPES

Notorious Criminal Saws Way Out of Florida Jail.

TAMPA, Fla., March 23.—Albert House, said to be a notorious criminal, early today escaped from the Hillsborough county jail where he has been confined for one week. House, in sawing his way out of the institution, officers said, had aid from the outside. He is wanted by Indiana authorities for a series of bank robberies, officers said.

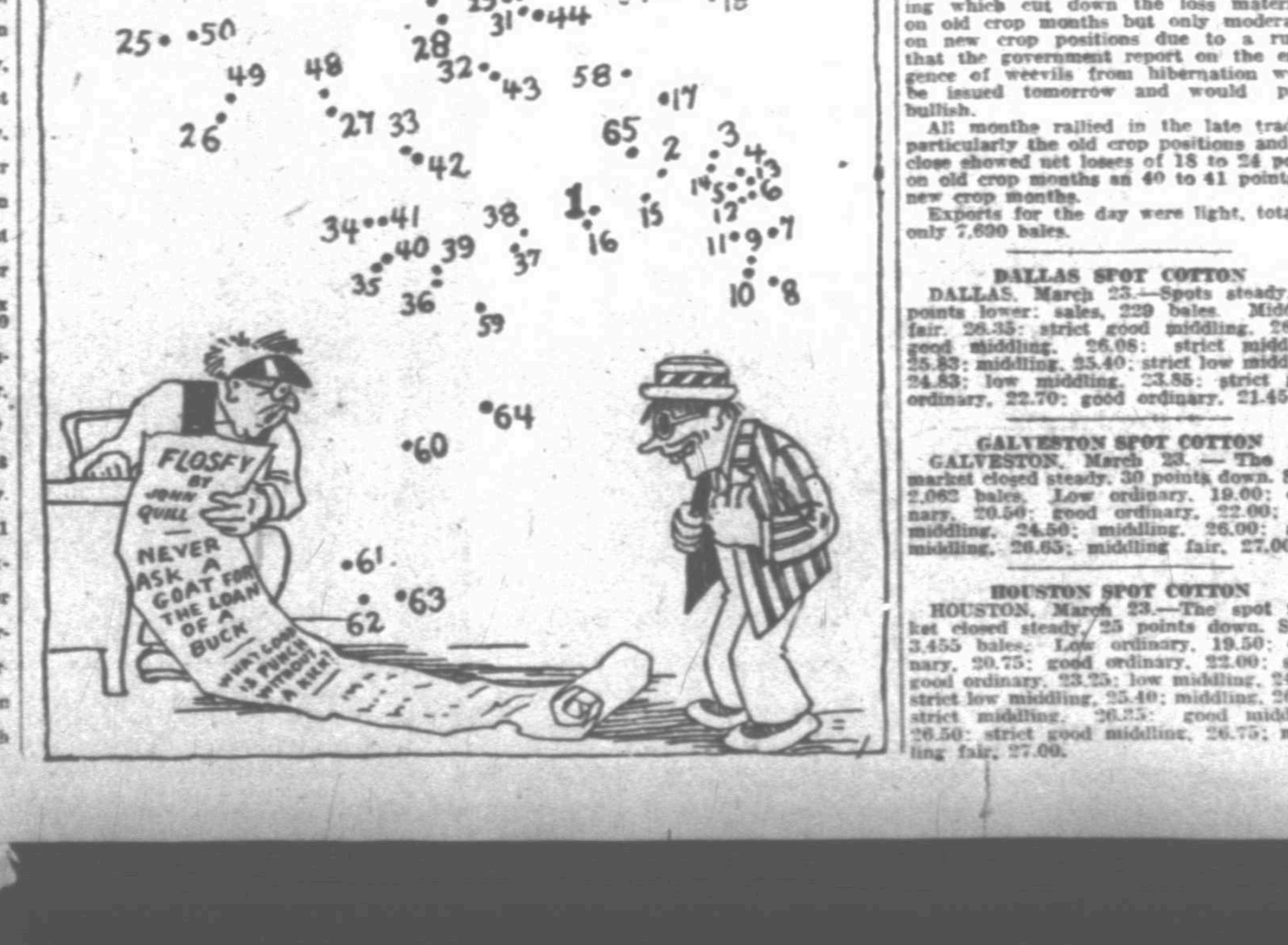
He was being held here for having engineered a robbery a year ago in which $24,000 was taken and for several yeggmen "jobs."

CROSSING WRECK KILLS ONE.

Two Others Are Seriously Injured Near Laredo by Train.

LAREDO, March 23.—One person was killed and two were seriously injured at a railroad crossing near here today when their automobile was wrecked by a train.

Dots Puzzle



"Whipping Boss" Pleads Not Guilty

CROSS CITY, Fla., March 23.—Pleas of not guilty today were entered by Thomas W. Higginbotham, former convict camp "whipping boss," E. G. Priest and W. G. McCrane, charged with murdering Lewis Barker, negro, when they were arraigned in Dixie county circuit court.

HOUSE OF DAVID PAYS FINE

"King" Benjamin Hands Over $26,000 Following Supreme Court Decision.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 23.—Attorneys for "King" Benjamin and Mary Purnell and the House of David of Benton Harbor, paid into federal district court here today the sum of $26,704.33 covering a judgment of $24,078.88 interests and costs in favor of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hansel of Nashville, Tenn.

The action was the last step in the case in which the Hansels, formerly members of the House of David sued to recover for property turned over when they joined the colony for services rendered while they were there, and for services of their minor children.

TENEMENT FIRE KILLS SIXTH

Police at New York Search for Man Who Started Fire.

NEW YORK, March 23.—(AP)—While police and the fire marshal's staff searched the city today for the pyromaniac who started a fire that swept through an East Forty-seventh street tenement house yesterday, a sixth victim of the blaze died in a hospital. She was Dorothy Otto, 6 years old, who was found unconscious on the fourth floor of the building, where her mother and 8-year-old sister were suffocated.

WILL REFUND TOBACCO TAX

Manufacturers Who Paid Cigarette Fee Will Get Money Back.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Tobacco manufacturers who paid the additional "floor" tax of 95 cents per 1,000 upon cigarettes imposed by the revenue [?] of 1918 are entitled to a refund of that tax on cigarettes that were exported.

The supreme court so held today in a case brought by the government against P. Lorillard company.

PASHA STOPS PARLIAMENT

He Dissolves Body When President at Egypt Refuses Resignation.

CAIRO, Egypt, March 23.—Following the election of ex-Premier Zagloul Pasha to the presidency of the chamber of deputies in the new Egyptian parliament which met today, the ministry tendered its resignation, which King Fuad refused to accept. Premier Ziwar Pasha thereupon dissolved the parliament.

SOVIET SHIP ARRIVES.

First Vessel From Russia Since 1917 Enters U. S. Port.

MOBILE, Ala., March 23.—The Russian steamer Fatslav Vorovsky, the first soviet ship to enter a port of the United States since 1917, arrived here today from Savannah and approximately 50 members of the crew will be confined to the vessel because of immigration regulations, according to information obtained at the immigration office.

The Watslav Vorvsky will discharge a cargo of kainit in this port and will sail in about five days or St. Andrews Bay, Florida, where she will load a lumber cargo on the river Platte.

INAUGURATE SPLAWN IN MAY.

New President Will Be Formally Installed at Graduation Exercises.

AUSTIN, March 23.—Formal inauguration of Dr. W. M. W. Splawn as president of the University of Texas will be held in conjunction with the annual commencement exercises, according to plans just announced by Dr. W. S. Sutton, in charge of arrangements for the event.

Complete plans for the inauguration have not yet been worked out, Dr. Sutton said, though the date has been determined.

ICE PATROL IS OPENED

Year's Activities Start as Cutter Is Ordered Out to Protect Shipping.

WASHINGTON, March 23. — The Atlantic ice patrol for the protection of shipping was opened today for the year when the coast guard cutter Tampa was ordered to proceed from Boston to her patrol station in the Atlantic. She will be followed soon by the cutters Moder and Seneca.

ASHERMONT BABY BURNED.

ASHERMONT, Texas, March 23.—In a fire yesterday morning, the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Copeland at Peacock, near here, was so badly burned that it is not expected to live.

MARKETS

N. Y. Stocks

NEW YORK, March 23.—Selling pressure was renewed against today's stock market with the result that prices collapsed from 2 to nearly 11 points carrying the rail and industrial averages into new low ground for the year. Reactionary tendencies also prevailed in the grain, cotton and most of the other commodity and financial markets, with the exception of the foreign exchanges which held relatively steady.

Stocks showed extreme weakness from the start of the session, initial declines of 1 to 3½ points being quite common among the popular rail and industrial issues. Selling pressure was directed against the steel shares chiefly, presumably because of the relatively poor showing made in the annual reports of the United States and eBthlehem Steel corporations were published in the morning papers. United States Steel common broke to a new 1925 low at 117⅝ and then rallied to 118, where it was off nearly 3 points on the day. Bethlehem Steel was hammered down to 38⅝ and then snapped back o 39½, off ⅝.

New losses also were recorded by Republic Steel common and preferred, Gulf States, United Alloy, American Metal and Colorado Fuel and Iron.

Professional traders threw large blocks of stocks into the market at opportune intervals and succeeded in touching off a number of stop loss orders and inducing rather extensive liquidation by frightened investors. In all, 58 stocks established new minimum quotations for the year. American Can which had met with fairly good support in the early stages of the decline broke 6 points to 168. Baldwin fell more than 8 points to a new low at 116⅝. U. S. Cast Iron Pipe dropped nearly 11 points to 171½, and then rallied to 181. Associated Drygoods showed a net loss of 10⅝ at 174½. Net losses of 5 points or more also were recorded by American Car and Foundry, Atlantic Refining, Jersey Central, Mack Truck, National Lead, Savage Arms and Worthington Pump.

The Pan-American Petroleum issues showed splendid resistance to selling pressure, rallying about 2 points from their early low levels and closing at small fractional gains on the day in anticipation of an early announcement regarding the company's proposed re-organization plans.

Establishment of new low records for the year by New York Central at 115½ and Union Pacific at 140, had a depressing effect on the other railroad shares, losses of 2 points or more being recorded by Atchison, Rock Island, Norfolk and Western, Northern Pacific, Texas and Pacific, Atlantic Coast Line, Chicago Great Western preferred, Delaware and Hudson, Denver and Rio Grande preferred, Reading and a few others.

Call money renewed at 3½ per cent and then advanced to 4, closing at the top. Time money and commercial paper rates were unchanged in quiet trading.

Foreign exchange rates fluctuated within narrow limits. Demand sterling held firmly steady around $4.77⅝ and French francs were slightly higher around 5.10½ cents. Norwegian exchange touched another new high at 15.52 cents.

Grain

FORT WORTH CASH GRAIN

FORT WORTH, March 23.—The following shows range of values on the Fort Worth grain market, basis delivered group 3 or Texas common points based on bids, offers and sales of Fort Worth dealers, according to the Fort Worth grain and cotton exchange.

Wheat: No. 1 export, $1.79¼; No. 1 darw hard, $1.85@1.88; No. 1 ordinary hard wheat, $1.81@1.85; No. 1 red, $1.90@1.95; No. 1, 75 per cent red, $1.85@1.90.

Corn: No. 2 white, $1.19@1.23; No. 2 mixed, $1.17@1.20.

Oats: No. 2 red, 64@67c; No. 3 red, 63@65c; No. 3 white, 58@60c.

Snapped corn, $1.18@1.35; No. 3 barley, 85@90c; No. 3milo, $1.90@1.95; No. 3 kafir, $1.80@1.85; maize heads, $32.00@34.00; kafir heads, $30.00@32.00.

CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
May	$1.69	$1.71	$1.65	$1.69⅝
July	1.45⅝	1.49	1.43	1.48⅞
Sept.	1.34⅛	1.36½	133	1.36⅞
CORN—				
May	1.17⅛	1.17⅝	1.10	1.13⅛
July	1.20	1.20⅝	1.11¼	1.16¼
Sept.	1.19⅝	1.20	1.12½	1.16⅝
OATS—				
May	.45½	.45⅝	.43⅝	.45⅛
July	.47⅛	.47⅛	.45⅝	.47
Sept.	.47⅛	.47⅝	.45⅝	.47¼
RYE—				
May	1.21⅛	1.28⅝	1.20⅛	1.27⅛
July	1.13	1.18⅝	1.12½	1.18
Sept.	1.06	1.07	1.03	1.03½
LARD—				
May	16.67	16.70	16.57	16.62
July	16.95	16.95	16.87	16.95
RIBS—				
May	18.87	18.87	18.65	18.65
July	18.87	18.87	18.65	18.70
BELLIES—				
May	21.35	21.37	21.35	21.35
July	21.30	21.30	21.27	21.27

KANSAS CITY CASH GRAIN

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—Wheat: No. 2 hard, $1.59@1.84; No. 2 red, $1.70@1.78. Close: May, $1.61⅝ asked; July, $1.39½ asked; September, $1.30¼ asked.

Corn: No. 3 white, $1.00@1.05; No. 2 yellow, $1.04½@1.06½; No. 3 yellow, $1.03@1.06½; No. 2 mixed, $1.00@1.04; May, $1.04 split bid to $1.04⅝ bid; July, $1.07⅛ split bid to $1.07½ split bid; September, $1.09.

Oats: No. 2 white, 46½@47c; No. 3 white, 45½@46c.

Cotton

NEW YORK COTTON

	Open	Low	Close	Close
March	25.28	25.10	25.27-28	25.43
May	25.43	25.21	25.41-43	25.68
July	25.67	25.50	25.65-66	25.90
Oct.	25.06	24.82	24.99-25	25.57
Dec.	25.07	24.83	25.00	25.38

Opening: March, 25.25; May, 25.40; July, 25.55; October, 25.00; December, 24.95.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, March 23.—The cotton market worked irregular lower in today's trading fluctuations being rather wider than of late. Trading proved to be fairly active during the greater part of the day. Owing to much lower Liverpool cables than due, the market here started with a loss of 34 points on July and 25 on October and soon declined until July showed a loss of 42 points and October 48, from Saturday's close. While the old crop months did not make fresh lows, October was 54 points net lower and December 56 during the afternoon.

The main reasons for the edcline were fairly good showers in southern Texas coupled with lower Liverpool cables and during the afternoon rumors of rain in North Texas again caused weakness following a fair rally around noon. The weakness during the afternoon was helped by the unsettled condition of the stock market and easiness in wheat.

There was a fair rally in the late trading which cut down the loss materially on old crop months but only moderately on new crop positions due to a rumor that the government report on the emergence of weevils from hibernation would be issued tomorrow and would prove bullish.

All months rallied in the late trading, particularly the old crop positions and the close showed net losses of 18 to 24 points on old crop months an 40 to 41 points on new crop months.

Exports for the day were light, totaling only 7,690 bales.

DALLAS SPOT COTTON

DALLAS, March 23.—Spots steady, 20 points lower; sales, 229 bales. Middling fair, 26.35; strict good middling, 26.20; good middling, 26.08; strict middling, 25.83; middling, 25.40; strict low middling, 24.83; low middling, 23.85; strict good ordinary, 22.70; good ordinary, 21.45.

GALVESTON SPOT COTTON

GALVESTON, March 23. — The spot market closed steady, 30 points down. Sales 2,062 bales. Low ordinary, 19.00; ordinary, 20.50; good ordinary, 22.00; low middling, 24.50; middling, 26.00; good middling, 26.65; middling fair, 27.00.

HOUSTON SPOT COTTON

HOUSTON, March 23.—The spot market closed steady, 25 points down. Sales, 3,455 bales; Low ordinary, 19.50; ordinary, 20.75; good ordinary, 22.00; strict good ordinary, 23.25; low middling, 24.50; strict low middling, 25.40; middling, 26.00; strict middling, 26.25; good middling, 26.50; strict good middling, 26.75; middling fair, 27.00.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, March 23.—Cattle: Receipts, 4,500, including 500 calves; market strong on cows, steady on other kinds. Beeves, $3.50@8.75; feeders, $3.50@7.50; fat cows, $3.50@6.25; cutters, $2.25@2.75; canners, $1.75@2.00; heifers, $3.35@7.50; yearlings, $3.50@8.75; bulls, $2.50@4.25; calves, $2.50@8.50.

Hogs: Receipts, 5,000, including 3,000 direct; market dull; prospects, 25 to 35c lower. Top around $13.75; bulk, $13.25@16.50; best medium weight, $13.65@13.75; good mixed, $13.50@13.65; good light, $13.25@13.50; fair mixed, $13.00@13.25; fair light, $12.50@13.00; common, $8.50@10.50; packing sows, $12.75@13.25; pigs, $8.50@11.50.

Sheep: Receipts, 1,700, market steady. Lambs, $13.00@15.00; feeders, $12.00@14.00; yearlings, $10.00@11.00; wethers, $9.00@10.00; ewes, $8.00@9.00; culls, $1.50@3.00; stockers, $3.00@5.00; goats, $1.50@3.00.

Produce

AUSTIN, March 23.—Poultry is firm, eggs slightly stronger, but butter somewhat weaker, especially on packing stock this morning. In New York eggs were unchanged with a firm undertone and in Chicago possibly a quarter cent off with fresh gathered ordinary firsts quoted at 28@29½c dozen.

The range of prices delivered Texas points follows:

Butter, packing stock country, 16@17c; creamery A, 49c; B, 47c.

Eggs, fresh gathered firsts mostly $7.50 to $7.75.

Poultry, hens mostly 18 to 19c; springs, 37@40c; old cocks, 8@9c; turkeys, 23c pound liveweight; ducks, 75c each; guineas, 25c each; geese, $1 each.

SHOOTS MOTHER OF TEN

Husband Kills Wife Who Walked In Sleep.

PITTSBURG, Kan., March 23.—(AP)—Ten children were made motherless early today when Antone Belello of Capaldo, near here, shot and killed his wife as she walked in her sleep. He thought she was an intruder. County authorities exonorated him.

MILLERAND STARTS CAMPAIGN

Former President Will Try for Senatorial Seat.

PARIS, March 23. — (AP)—Former President Millerand opened his electioneering campaign yesterday for the senatorial seat for the department of the Seine, the election for which will take place April 5. M. Millerand told his hearers that he was a "republican fighting communists."

TRAIN KILLS WOMAN

PALESTINE, Tex., March 23.—Mrs. G. F. Whiteley of Elkhart, was killed Sunday afternoon when struck by an International-Great Northern train near her home. She was said to have been walking along the track. Two sons, J. B. Whiteley of Lamesa and Elmo Whiteley of Houston, survive her.

Heavy Fog Blamed For Train Collision

FRANKLIN, La., March 23.—A heavy fog which enveloped a stop signal was responsible for a head-on collision of two fast mail trains on the Southern Pacific railroad early yesterday, causing the death of 15 persons and serious injury to five. The accident occurred at Richoco switch, seven miles west of here.

Frank Mathews, engineer of No. 12, the San Antonio eastbound express, was held responsible by a coroner's jury for the accident. He admitted he did not see the signal, blaming the fog. J. E. Crane, his conductor, peering out of the window and seeing the dim red lights go by knew something was wrong and grabbed the bell rope to signal the engineer, who then put on the air brakes. But it was too late, for just as his train cleared the switch it went crashing into the all-steel Pullman No. 109, westbound. No. 12 had failed to go into the siding to let No. 109 go through as ordered.

Mathews and his fireman, A. J. Thobodaux, were seriously injured.

The engineer and fireman of No. 109 were killed.

The railroading days of Edward E. Conery of New Orleans, who had served at a Southern Pacific throttle for 41 years, ended. It was his first serious accident and came on the eve of his plans for retirement, having been in the service since 1878.

The wreck also brought to an end at its inception the news butcher's career of E. B. Stafford of Port Arthur, Tex., who boarded No. 12 at Houston on the first trip in his new vocation.

August Aupest, baggage master on No. 12, was the fourth fatality.

There was one day coach on No. 12. It was in front near the baggage car and was occupied by 10 negroes. When this car telescoped, nine were killed. The tenth, a 14-year-old negro boy, was sent hurtling through a window, but was not injured except for a few glass cuts.



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PHILOSOPHER TAKES LIFE

Eminent Man Hangs Self at Home; Ill Health Is Cause.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 23.—(AP)—George Stuart Fullerton, eminent philosopher, committed suicide by hanging at his home here today.

Ill health, resultant from privations suffered in the German internment camp during the war, induced despondency which was ascribed as the cause of his act.

DENMARK REGISTERS TREATY

She Files With League of Nations Pact With Norway.

GENEVA, March 23. — Denmark has registered with the League of Nations her arbitration treaty with Norway which is an extension of the Scandinavian series of treaties under which all disputes go to committees of inquiry. Treaties also now exist between Denmark and Sweden and Denmark and Finland.

FORGES CHECK FOR BABY.

San Antonio Woman Says That Her Child Was Hungry.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—"My babe and I were hungry," said a woman held by police, charged with forgery here today.

"I bought groceries," she sobbed. Investigation proved she had.

With a tiny babe in her arms she was brought into the station. She is alleged to have forged the name of Mrs. W. S. Porter on a check for $14.68 given to Mon Lee, merchant, for groceries.

AUTO KILLS CHILD.

Auto at Weatherford Runs Over Three-Year-Old.

WEATHERFORD, Texas, March 23.—The three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Danley died last night of injuries received in the afternoon when he was run over by an automobile. The child was said to have been playing in the street and to have darted in front of a slowly approaching car.

INVESTIGATE 7 HEFT RING.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—Police and military authorities Monady were investigating what appears to be a wholesale theft plot which has resulted in the disappearance of hundreds of dollars' worth of clothing from the quarters of commissioned officers at Fort Sam Houston during the past several days.

BAYLOR DEAN APPOINTED

Austin Man Made Head of Educational Department.

AUSTIN, March 23.—W. E. James of Austin, has accepted the position as dean of the school of education at Baylor university and will assume his new duties this week, it has been announced at the university, where James is completing work for his doctor's degree. James will be at Baylor during the spring term only, returning to the university as a member of the faculty for the summer session.

MAIL BANDIT TO GO.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 23.—Gerald Chapman, mail bandit, captured after a sensational escape from Atlanta prison, will go to trial for his life in Hartford county court tomorrow. Selection of a jury to hear evidence that he murdered James Skelly, a New Britain policeman, will begin in the morning.

Chapman, through his attorney, declared that the "cards are stacked against me." And I haven't got a chance"—"they're not going to try Gerald Chapman but the super-bandit, a creature of fact and fancy."

Fifty witnesses are here from various parts of the country.



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SOCIETY

All society news for the Sunday page must be in the hands of the Society Editor not later than 6 o'clock on Friday evening.

BUFFET SUPPER AT ALLISON HOME.

One of the most attractively planned affairs of the pre-Easter season was the pretty buffet supper given Sunday by Miss Mary Allison at her home on Hays. A group of her most intimate friends were present. The spring flowers in pastel shades were used in profusion in the decorations. In the living room large containers were filled with flowers.

The refreshment table which was presided over by Misses Icy V. Larkin and Josephine Cummings was beautiful with a covering of maderia and lace with a centerpiece of spring flowers, roses and ferns. Lighted candles burned at either end of the table.

Those enjoying the lovely hospitality were Misses Alma Willis, Dorothy Dale, Faye Fisher, Icy V. Larkin, Josephine Cummings, Marjorie Ischy of Austin, Dessa Key, Frankie Adickes, Marguerite McDonald, Margaret Allison, Catherine Marcus, Mary Allison and Dale Hodgson; Herschel Gafford, Leslie Fortune, Jimmy Moran, George Massie, Otha Key, Temple Shell, Jinks Smith, Earl Bollinder, Bud Severs, Raymond Smith, Charlie Nash, Red Putnam, Eli Willis, Lawrence Hagy and Don Dale.

CLEAN UP WARNING IS AGAIN ISSUED.

All who might have a dirty back yard, a filled trash can, a crowded back alley or a weed-grown yard better get to "making hay while the sun shines" because it isn't going to be shining much longer. The people who are helping clean up the city are sure after the ones who are not doing their share.

This week the precinct chairmen are inspecting every place. Those who have been careless and who have not complied with the clean up movement will get a personal call or a post card.

This is just a friendly hint for those who might not understand about the movement, say local clean up workers.

TUESDAY PICNIC BY AUXILIARY.

The American Auxiliary and the members of the legion will have a picnic Tuesday evening at Scotland park. All members are asked to be at the park at 6 o'clock.

DOUGLAS VON ALLMEN IS HOST TO FRIENDS

Douglas Von Allmen was host Saturday evening to a group of his young friends with a bunco party at his home on Huff.

The house was decorated in the Easter suggestions. In the games Miss Ruth Hartman won high for the girls and received a pretty vanity como and Ira Lee Uts won high among the boys and was given a necktie.

After the guests played bunco for a while they cleared away the tables and enjoyed dancing for a while. At a late hour refreshments, carrying out the Easter suggestions were served by Mesdames Von Allmen and C. C. Eckman to the following: Misses Ruth Hartman, Catherine Michaelis, Dunies Jenkins, Marjorie Hines, Lucille Stinnett, Adelyn McGregor, Jewell Newman, Jessie and Lucile Raley, Berneice Shell, Edith Fisher, and John Lyle, Ira Lee Uuts, James Bailey, Clarence Lee, Witherspoon, Roy Sonermaker, Leland Passeley, Clarence Elmore, James Patterson and Douglas Von Allmen.

T. W. C. LUNCHEON PLANS ARE MADE.

All ex-students of the Texas Woman's college who wish to attend the luncheon which will be held Saturday at the Kemp hotel are asked to call Mrs. King Davis at 3231 for reservations.

CRAM-SAUNDERS WEDDING.

Mr. John W. Cram and Miss Ann Elizabeth Samuels of Marietta, Ohio, were married Monday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Allen on Burnett. They left immediately following the ceremony in their car for tour of seven states.

Miss Elizabeth Brown, who is attending school in Dallas, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth B. Brown on Eleventh.

Miss Inea Carter is home from Baylor-Belton to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carter, at 1800 Huff, for a week.

Mrs. F. O. Harrell, who has been ill at the General hospital has been removed to her home and is reported to be doing nicely.

W. F. Carden is quite ill at his home on Kemp boulevard with flu.

Mrs. Weber of the Brean class of the First Christian church is quite ill at General hospital.

O. O. Adkins is in Ardmore this week on business.

Mrs. I. A. Albritton of 1414 Thirteenth is visiting friends and relatives in Graham this week.

Mrs. O. H. K. Ross of 1903 Sixth has as her guest, her neice, Miss Olive White of Iowa Park. Miss White is an ex-Texas university student and has been with the Wayne P. Fewell lyceum company directing home talent plays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harwell and two little daughters of Abilene, are the guests of Mrs. Dora Wharton at 911 Ninth.

Dr. F. T. Datson who has been quite ill at his home on Tenth, is reported to be much improved.

R. E. Penick has as his guests, his parents, Col. and Mrs. R. L. Penick of Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Avera and small daughter, Pauline have returned from Sulphur Springs, where they attended the funeral of Mr. Avera's grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kemp, Jr., returned home Saturday from a wedding trip to New Orleans and other points. They will be at home with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kemp, Sr., until their new home is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Luques have returned from a brief wedding trip to Dallas, Fort Worth and other points. They will be at home to their friends at their new home 2181 Ave., J. Mrs. Luques was before her marriage, last week, Miss Kyda Mae Self of this city, but formerly of Fort Worth.

Mrs. King Davis and small daughter, Priscilla Jane, have returned from a visit with relatives in Fort Worth.

The children of Judge and Mrs. O. O. Ross returned Monday from Mineral Wells where they visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross have been there for several weeks on account of Mr. Ross' health. He is reported to be much improved.

Mrs. E. E. Fisher is reported to be ill [illegible] on Tenth.

Use the Record [illegible] the best results.

MISS BUTLER IS HOSTESS TO FRIENDS.

Miss Cliftine Butler was hostess to a number of her young friends Saturday evening at the Butler home on Ave. E. Games, contests and dancing was enjoyed during the evening. In the games Mr. and Mrs. Estal Parham were awarded prizes for the most attractive costumes.

At a late hour refreshments were served to Misses Beulah Shipley, Eulah Shipley, Jean Fisk, Alice Hartman, Joyce Samuels, Clarice Pitman, eVlma Thomason, Leta Chambers and Raymond Strong, Charles Francis Johnson, Max Engle, Weldon Johnson, Estal Parham, James Moore, Virgel Davis, James Jennings and Harry Hayes.

ALATHEAN CLASS LUNCHEON SOON.

All members of the Alathean class are asked to make their reservations this week for the annual luncheon which will be held next Tuesday at the Kemp hotel, 1 o'clock. Mrs. Ben C. Ackerman asks that all wishing reservations call at her home, 1706 Lucille. No reservations will be made over the telephone for the money must be paid as it is made so that everyone asking for a reservation will fill it. Mrs. Ackerman states that those wishing to go must see her before next Monday, for the hotel must know by that time.

MOORE-RAGSDALE NUPTIALS.

Mr. Carl Moore and Miss Laybelle Ragsdale were quietly married Saturday evening at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. Walter J. Johnson said the double ring ceremony before only the immediate families of the young people. The bride wore a light green satin dress with large picture hat and accessories to harmonize. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Ragsdale of 1506 Travis, and is well known here. Mr. Moore is a well known young business man and is employed with the Dodge Brothers. They will be at home to their friends for the time being at 1506 Travis.

CIRCLE TWO LAMAR BAPTIST

Circle Two of the Lamar Baptist church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. F. George at 502 Travis. Mrs. H. F. Hays led the Bible lesson and Mrs. C. F. Somerville led the mission study. In the short business session which was held, the women decided to visit the day nursery and take with them cookies and lemonade. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Jewell Cunningham, Jack Kruger, H. F. Haley, J. L. Pond Jr., H. E. Michael, C. F. Somerville, R. F. George and M. C. Hayes.

CIRCLE THREE LAMAR BAPTIST

Circle Three of the Lamar Baptist church met Monday afternoon with Mrs. H. A. O'Neal at her home, 2000 Lucille. Mrs. J. M. Goins led the devotionals and Mrs. A. J. Holt the Bible lesson. Mrs. J. M. Goins turned in her resignation as chairman of the circle, and Mrs. H. A. O'Neal was elected to fill her place. Refreshments were served to Mesdames A. J. Holt, J. M. Goins, F. R. Riley, J. D. Allred, H. D. Biles, W. O. Fisher, H. A. O'Neal, M. L. Payne, O. K. Griggs and Miss Mary Louise Miller.

BOOKS SOUGHT FOR NEGRO SCHOOL.

All women who have donations of books for the colored school are asked to bring them to their clubs this week. Friday all books will be taken up, according to announcements received. Those who have books and have not called Mrs. Barron about them are asked to do so at once so that she will know where to call for them.

FLORAL HEIGHTS MISSIONARY.

The Missionary society of the Floral Heights Methodist church met Monday afternoon at the church for a mission study lesson. Mrs. A. L. Lane led the lesson and Mesdames Hugh Sotner and Ben Corden discussed the lesson which was on the second chapter of "China's Challenge to Christianity." About twenty members were present.



'Polly' Presented By Senior Class Is Huge Success

Mary Tancred Stars In The Annual Offering Of High School Monday

A mass of dilema, "All On Account of Polly,"—that's what those who went to the senior high school play at the Junior college last night saw. A fast drama of youth and the not so young with the meshes of a Wall Street disaster and the charming faces of two chubby youngsters to complicate matters beyond the untangling of mere mortals but not a bit beyond the power of the pretty heroine, Mary Tancred, in the role of Polly Perkins, a small-town lass, was the show in brief.

There's a fast lilting action from beginning to end, a bevy of pretty girls and a bunch of young fellows that hop, skip and jump through all their worries from gentlemen of leisure to $28 a week grocery clerks.

Little Miss Beverly Nan Witherspoon and Joe Witherspoon Jr., play the juvenile roles, and do it well. Shumake Baber plays opposite Miss Tancred.

The cast follows:

Ralph Beverly, Polly's Guardian.....Commodore Cumcy
Baldwin, his son.....Shumake Baber
Peter Hartleigh, a prospective son-in-law.....Edward Smith
Silas Young, a money lender..Carl Kuehn
Harkins, a butler.....Jack Welch
Tommy, a poor little boy.....Joe Witherspoon Jr.
Polly Perkins, a small town girl.....Mary Tancred
Jane Beverly, the wife...Dorothy Skeen
Hortense, her elder daughter..Dorothy Reed
Geraldine, her younger daughter.....Elizabeth Couper
Mrs. Herbert Feather-Stone, of the "400".....Lucile Pitts
Mrs. Homer Stuyvesant, her dearest friend.....Helen Fowler
Mrs. Clarence Chadfield, a "climber".....Frances Carter
Marie, a maid.....Edna Rundell
Mrs. Rembrandt, a manicurist.....Dorothy Newman
Miss Bushnell, a hair dresser.....Mary Moore
Pudby, Tommy's Sister.....Beverly Nan Witherspoon

CROSS-EXAM

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"No sir, not for immoral purposes."

"Did you know that Mr. Downing was arrested for having a still in his house, and that officers took a large quantity of whiskey and mash from their residence?"

"All I knew about it was what I saw in the papers."

"Mrs. Downing kept coming after that didn't she?"

"Mrs. Downing was never in my house more than once or twice after that and that was to see about work I was doing for her."

Asks About Women.

"How many dresses did you make for Mrs. Downing?"

"I don't know; I didn't keep count."

"Did Mary Frohman ever come up there?"

"Yes."

"Nannie Duncan?"

"Yes sir."

"Who did these women dance with?"

"I couldn't say, sometimes with one and then another, sometimes by themselves. Everything was all right so I never paid much attention to it."

"You had a niece named Viola from Olney?"

"Yes sir."

"How old was she?"

"I don't know, but at the time she visited me I should say that she was about eighteen years old."

"How long did she stay with you?"

At this juncture Mrs. Robertson began to sob again, and the questioning was delayed until she regained her composure.

"I don't know. It may have been three weeks or a month."

"Did you have a bed in your back yard."

"No sir."

"Was it a cot then?"

"No, sir, I never had anything like that in my back yard."

"Did Mr. Scott come to see you?"

"He used to feed his horse nearby and come up to the back door to get a bucket of water for his horse." The sobbing began again here.

Rousey Called Again.

The defense called in G. E. Rousey.

"Do you know this man?"

"No sir." Rousey was dismissed.

"Do you mean to say that you never talked to that man?"

"I never saw him in my life."

"You do not know his mother?"

"No, sir."

"Did your niece that was there know him?"

"I couldn't say sir, but I don't think so."

"Didn't you tell Mr. Rousey one day that your niece was pregnant and that he ought to come across with some money?"

The witness's answer came in broken sobs. "No, sir, how could I tell him that when I didn't know him?"

"Isn't it a fact that your niece was taken back to Olney, Ill?"

"Yes, sir, we took her back to Olney and Dr. Hamilton operated on her for appendicitis, and you can go get Dr. Hamilton if you don't believe me. My God, are they trying me or the murderer?"

"Was your niece pregnant at the time?"

"If she was I knew nothing about it?"

"Will you tell the court why it was that a subpoena at Olney failed to reach her?"

"I didn't know they had tried to subpoena her."

"And you don't know Mr. Rousey?"

"I never saw that man before in my life."

Defense Bears Down.

"Mrs. Robertson, what time did you come home the night your home on Lee street burned down?"

"I don't remember; that was too long ago."

"Isn't it a fact that you hired Mrs. Wynn to keep your little daughter for you that night, telling her that you were going to Fort Worth?"

"I hired Mrs. Wynn to keep my little girl for me because I couldn't keep her at home and make a living."

"How far from you did Mrs. Wynn live?"

"I don't know." The defense was insistent on an answer to this question and obtained the approximation of three or four blocks only after Mrs. Robertson came to a semi-hysterical mood by an insistent cross-questioning.

"Did you ever buy any silk underwear?"

"No sir, I couldn't afford that kind?"

"You never traded any silk underwear at P. B. M's, did you?"

The state objected to the testimony at this point as irrelevant and was sustained by the court. The defense filed their exception and requested that the evidence taken at the habeas corpus hearing be read into the record.

The witness was turned over to the state.

Allred: "Mrs. Robertson, was your niece married?"

"Yes, she has been married for three or four years.

"Do you know Mrs. Pawskut?"

"Yes sir. I tried to teach her what I knew about sewing. She would come over with a night shirt or something she couldn't fix and I'd show her. She was awful sweet."

"Was she married."

"Yes sir, her husband works at Krueger's jewelry store."

"Was Mrs. Frohman married?"

"Yes sir. She had two children."

"Was she living with her husband?"

"Yes sir."

"Was Mrs. Downing married."

"Yes sir."

"Was she living with her husband?"

"Yes sir."

"Did she have any children?"

"Yes sir, three."

Who are some of those you worked for besides those two?"

"I worked for Mrs. G. D. Anderson and for Mrs. Richolt, Mrs. Adickes—"

"Is this Mrs. Addickes the mother-in-law to Mr. Francis here."

The defense instantly objected and filed an exception to even the asking of the question, declaring that it was intended to prejudice the jury.


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Little Theatre Presents Another Popular Comedy Drama In 'Torch Bearers'

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Mrs. Paul Ritter, ably played by Mrs. Stanton Bonner, was the wife who with a little bit of flattery could be made to believe that she was an excellent actor. Her husband understood the farce they were making of his wife and tried in vain to make her understand it. She, in her own meek manner, declined to see this and soon became aware that she was all they told her she was.

Frederick Ritter, the husband, was played by H. O. Newton, appreciates his wife for her true worth and hated to see her made the fool.

Mrs. J. Duro Pampinnelli, played by Mrs. E. W. Wade, an old widow who had been married already three times; Bob Humphrey, right hand man to Mrs. Pampinelli; Gordon Harris, the husband in the play they were producing; Miss Cleo Bowers, the wife; Mrs. W. B. McLain, one of the talented actresses; Clifton Clay, the newly divorced actor; Jenks Smith, the office boy; Buelah Gardner, the maid, all helped to get the show in the huge mess demanded by the plot.

Defense counsel: "Did you know that McCabe was arrested?"

"No sir." There was some controversy here over "McCabe," Mrs. Robertson disclaiming all knowledge of the man. This was obviated a little later, however, when the state asked similar questions about "Mac" McCabee and received answers coinciding with other testimony taken in the case.

Defense: "Do you remember ordering some sandwiches one night from Yate's confectionery?"

"Yes sir. Buster was there, and Nannie."

"Did you know Tom O'Bear at that time? Isn't it a fact that Buster told you then, 'Mother, you and Tom are worse than me and Mary Frances."

"No, sir."

The defense signified that they were through with the witness Judge Martin signalled a deputy to take the jury out of the room.

As Mrs. Robertson was led from the witness box to a waiting stretcher her sobbing became more audible.

"My God. I tried my best to run a straight house, and keep my children from going hungry, and now they're using everything I've done to make a living to convict me for the murder of my dead boy."

Almost Two Hours.

With that she was placed on the stretcher and taken from the court room. Court was recessed for five minutes. Her examination had lasted one hour and 35 minutes, and the woman was on the verge of a collapse.

Fireman Will Be Buried Tuesday At 1st Methodist

Funeral services for Andrew Juliuson, Wichita Falls fireman who died at 3:45 Monday morning as a result of burns sustained Sunday at a blaze in the Uneeda Tailor shop, 1105 Eighth street, will be held at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon at the First Methodist church, South. The services will be conducted by Rev. Walter J. Johnson, pastor of the church.

Juliuson, who is the first member of the Wichita Falls fire department ever to die as a result of injuries received while on duty, was one of five other firemen injured when two drums of gasoline in the tailor shop exploded. The other four, Paul Ringle, G. Anderson, Henry Smith and Charles Gregory, were all caught by the shower of flaming gas that burst from the barrels. Juliuson took the full effects of the blast and was so badly burned that his life was despaired of from the first. Of the other injured, Ringle was the most seriously hurt. He is now in the hospital and will be laid up for some time but will fully recover, it is thought.

Members of the Royal Arch Masons, chapter number 202, Wichita Falls lodge 635, of which Juliuson was a member, will have charge of the body after it leaves the church. In the funeral cortege will be as many pieces of the fire fighting apparatus as can be spared from the stations. The big trucks were draped in black Monday morning and mourning was hung at all the stations.

The victim of the fire had been a member of the fire department for about three years. He was born in Chickasha, Okla., and is survived by his mother, Mrs. M. Z. Juliuson and five brothers, C. A., J. S., J. R., Henry and Frank, all of Wichita Falls. J. R. Juliuson is also a member of the fire department and was at the fire when his brother was struck down.

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First Methodists Finish Plans For Huge Auditorium

Big Structure To Occupy All Of Block North Present Church

Members of the building committee of the First Methodist church, South, have passed a resolution centering all interest in the campaign for an immense auditorium, costing $350,000, seating 2,500. The resolution provides for immediate construction, excavating to begin in June as soon as the lease of the tenant now occupying the property expires.

Other building interests of the church are laid aside, all attention turning to erection of a cathedral-like auditorium, Gothic in architecture, exclusive for worship. All Sunday school and church organization activities are to be carried on at some other part of the church grounds.

Committee to Tour

No architect's plans have been drawn up for the church plant, and before their compilation, a church investigating committee will tour principal cities of the United States, collecting ideas. Members are C. W. Snider, who will leave at an early date for Los Angeles for this purpose; W. B. Hamilton, W. W. Silk, Mack Thomas, Rev. Walter J. Johnson, Dr. M. R. Garrison, and Mrs. J. C. A. Guest.

The building committee and other workers will meet Sunday afternoon, March 29, to further campaign plans.

Members of the building committee present at the meeting were Mesdames E. B. Gorstine, J. C. A. Guest, and Messrs W. W. Silk, J. J. Perkins, N. M. Clifford, Dr. J. C. A. Guest, C. W. Snider, W. W. Silk, W. B. Hamilton, Dr. M. R. Garrison, J. T. Harrell, M. G. Catter, Martin Rowe, O. A. Jones, Mack Thomas and N. H. Martin, T. A. Baggett, C. E. Basham, J. D. Bright, M. G. Catter, Irvan Deaton, W. H. Downing, E. H. Riddleman, L. A. Fox Jr., Dr. Guest, T. R. Noble, W. B. Hamilton, J. T. Harrell, J. T. Highsmith, O. A. Jones, R. D. Kennedy, Judge C. B. Felder, R. W. H. McCulloch, N. H. Martin, P. P. Langford, J. R. Ogle, Jos. C. Park, F. G. Payne, J. J. Perkins, C. W. Snider, W. W. Silk, J. T. Stevens, C. P. Warman, F. P. Timberlake, C. Y. Tully, Claxton Farks, N. M. Clifford, A. H. Drake, J. L. Eggleston, W. J. Daugherty, Claude Miller, W. J. Grisham, R. E. Nolen, A. B. Watland, F. O. Harrell, G. L. Shapard, J. W. Thorne, Mack Thomas, F. C. Carter, S. Walker, E. S. Carter, T. E. Noble, W. D. Cline, Martin Rowe, C. W. Gilland, J. S. Bridwell, Mack Taylor, E. B. Gorstine, Guy Raley, Walter Robbins, Dr. M. R. Garrison, C. B. Haynie, Dr. Q. B. Lee.

EASTERN STARTS MEET

Faith Chapter Will Have Charge of Funeral of Miss Dorothy Edmonds.

All members of the Faith Chapter, Eastern Star, are requested to be present at the Merkle Undertaking parlors this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Pearl Veras, worthy matron, states that the chapter will have charge of the funeral services of Miss Dorothy Edmonds, who died Sunday afternoon at the general hospital.

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East Kansas avenue, Walters, Okla.; J. W. Blackwell Jr., box 1249, Burkburnett, Texas; Frank Farar of Bowie; Ruth White, box 294, Burkburnett, Texas; Dorothy Bachman, 2612 Ninth street, city, and Avis Parthan, Avery, Texas.

Though Ruby May's story was not emphatically unique, it was beautifully written and appeared in a folder of colored art paper, hand lettered and bordered with a picture of her dog pasted in the center of the cover. Virginia Calhoun's story was cleverly writteen and attractively arranged with kodak snaps of her dog, "Peggy O'Neil," pasted here and there between paragraphs.

Ruth White of Burkburnett is only eight years old, but wrote a good story neatly. Others on the list won their prize because of the quality and looks of their stories.

Tomorrow, the prize winning story of Miss Andrews will appear in The Record News, followed Wednesday by the second prize winner, and daily by the prize winners in order, until all prize winning stories have been printed.

Girls certainly carried off the honors in the contest.

A girl won first prize; third prize went also to a girl, and five other prizes went to girls. Only three of the ten prizes offered were captured by boys.

The boys may have the smart dogs but they don't seem to know how to tell about them neatly and on one side of the paper, according to the rules of the contest. Very few of the many stories submitted by the boys came up to the rules for neatness, but all stories by the girls were fine looking. Twice as many girls entered the contest as boys and some of the girls sent pictures of their dogs.

Many hundreds of answers to Baree's dog story contest delayed judging and made the selection of the ten winning stories a difficult matter.

Disregarding the rules disqualified many fine stories. Some were not addressed to Baree and had to be discarded. Some were written on both sides of the paper and for that reason did not get into the contest. Many stories came in after March 19, the closing date, and were disqualified.

EDMONDS FUNERAL TODAY

Aged Wichita Falls Woman to Be Buried in Riverside Cemetery.

Funeral services for Miss Dorothy Edmonds, aged Wichitan, who died Sunday afternoon at the general hospital, will be held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the Merkle funeral chapel. Rev. O. L. Powers, pastor of the First Baptist church, will be in charge.

Burial will be in Riverside cemetery.

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2-3 Valuation To Be Basis Of Tax In City In 1925

Council Decides On Same Ratio And Lower Rate This Year

Taxes in Wichita Falls for 1925 will be assessed on a basis of 66 2-3 per cent of the 100 per cent valuation, it was decided Monday night by the city council. It was also made clear that the city tax rate will be lowered "substantially." It has been $1.50 per $100 for several years past and will be cut this year for the first time.

Considerable discussion was held before the council prior to the decision on the valuation basis. Arguments were advanced for a lower valuation basis—some suggesting 60 per cent with the tax rate remaining at $1.50. Others, however, favored be same valuation and a lower rate.

The city has a real estate valuation of about $48,000,000 and a personal property valuation of about $12,000,000.

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