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ROBBERS JAM LOCK ON VALERA BANK VAULT

Two robbers, driving a high-powered motor car, attempted to open the safe of the First State Bank of Valera, early Monday morning, after kidnapping the night watchman, taking him south of the town a mile and tying him to a tree in a pasture.

The lock on the safe was found jammed and it will not be known whether the robbers got any money until experts succeed in opening the safe.

George Mulanax, night watchman, who was kidnapped, said that two men secured gasoline from him for their car. They then forced him to get into the automobile and took him one mile from town in a pasture where he was chained to a tree. The chain was placed around his neck and his hands were tied behind him. He said at his request the rope on his hands was loosened somewhat. He was told that a third man would be watching him and not to attempt a get-away. Several hours later, he is reported to have gotten his hands free, breaking a limb from the tree and used it to break the chain. He then gave the alarm.

About a year ago two brothers and a third man robbed the Valera bank. The brothers were sentenced to the pen and later were pardoned by Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson. This robbery netted the trio \$3,500. The two brothers were arrested in Abilene but the third man has never been apprehended.

SAYS NO SPECIAL SESSION NEEDED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—After the receipt of Secretary Hoover's report on the flood situation, giving a definite program for relief and rehabilitation of the Mississippi Valley, it was reiterated at the White House today that President Coolidge sees no need for a special session of congress to handle the situation.

M. W. A. LOSES TO UNDEFEATED ORIENTS

The Modern Woodmen baseball team playing Sunday at San Angelo lost to the Orient railway team 10 to 9. The Orient team so far this season has not been defeated on the diamond.

They recently came to Ballinger and played the lodge nine here, winning by the score of 12 to 8.

The M. W. A.'s are playing a game Tuesday at Fair Park.

Says Women More Prompt
STAMFORD, Conn.—After barbering men for 30 years Emiliore Greco has decided that he will devote his professional talents to women. He says they are less fussy and more prompt in keeping appointments than men.

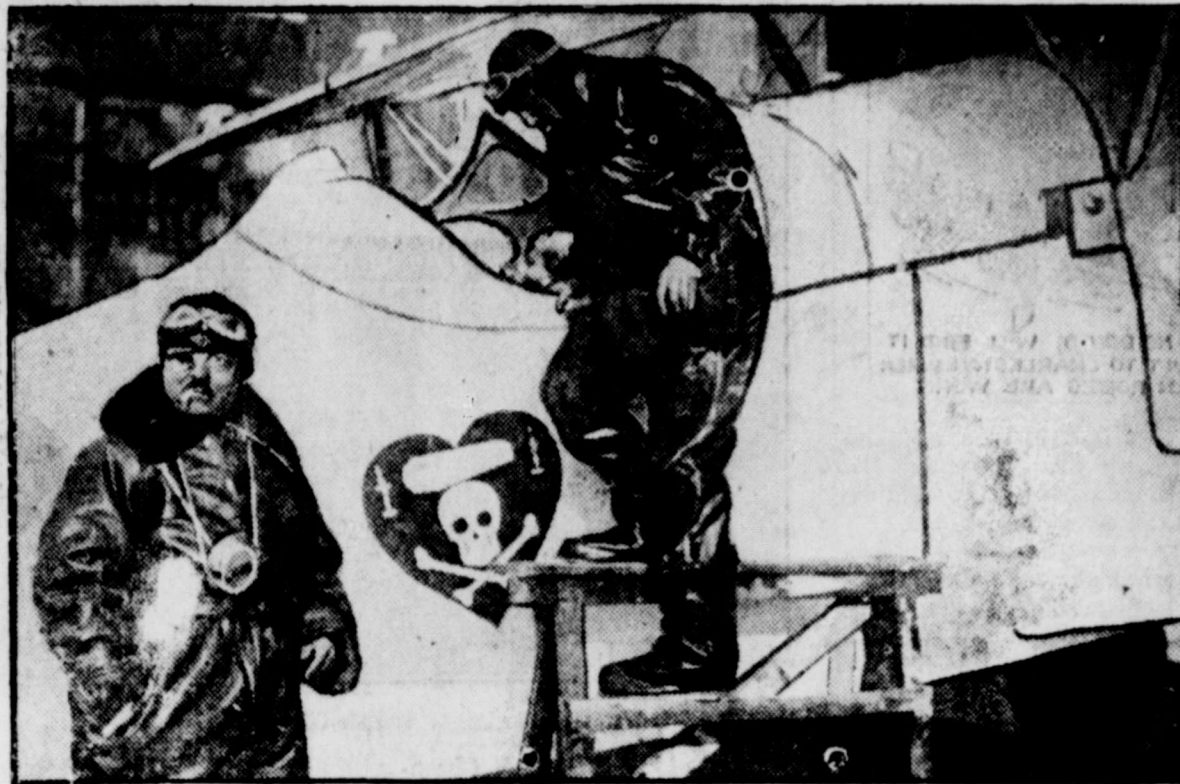
COOLIDGE AT DESK TODAY

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—President Coolidge, who was put to bed by his physicians yesterday, suffering from a cold, returned today to his desk and plans to deliver an address before the American Medical Association tonight.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday—8:15 p. m.—Commencement exercises, high school auditorium.

French Birdmen Who are Feared Lost



CAPT. GEORGE NUNGESSER, ENTERING HIS PLANE, THE "WHITE BIRD," PREPARATORY TO HIS ATTEMPTED NON-STOP FLIGHT FROM PARIS TO NEW YORK. AT LEFT—MAJOR FRANCOIS COLI.

1926 COTTON CROP REVISED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—Revised cotton estimates announced today by the Department of Agriculture, placed the 1926 production at 17,911,000 bales, of 500 pounds gross weight. The area in cultivation on June 25, 1926, was placed at 48,730,000 acres, while the area picked was 47,087,000 acres. The average yield of lint cotton per acre was 181.9 pounds.

ONE KILLED IN PISTOL BATTLE

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, May 17.—A detective was shot and another was wounded today in a pistol battle with three armed men who attempted to hold up a restaurant on the lower East Side, in which the detectives were dining. Police later found a man shot below the heart in an automobile. He was arrested as one of the hold-up men.

Detective Morris Borgin was killed.

KANSAS JUSTICE SHOT TO DEATH

(By Associated Press)
CLAY CENTER, Kans., May 17.—Frank Newton, justice of the peace, was shot to death in his office here today by Fred Petty, who committed suicide. It is believed that Petty was suffering from some mental trouble.

2 ARE FOUND SHOT TO DEATH

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, May 17.—George Powell, Jr., vice-president and secretary of the Discount Corporation of California, and Miss Margie Pike, 24, a stenographer, were found shot to death in an automobile parked in front of the woman's residence here today.

Mrs. Lee Maddox was brought home Monday night from Temple where she had been in a hospital. She stood the trip home very well. Mr. Maddox and a sister, Mrs. Emma Nash, accompanied Mrs. Maddox home.

WHISKEY TAX BILL FAILS

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, May 17.—A resolution asking Governor Moody to allow the submission of a measure seeking to place a tax on prescription whiskey of \$1 per pint, introduced by Senator Fairchild of Lufkin, fell in the Senate today when it was ruled out of order.

Joe A. Ostertag is in El Paso attending the State Board of Embalmers convention which convened there Tuesday morning in a three-day session.

OREGON KILLER HANGED TODAY

(By Associated Press)
SALEM, Oregon, May 17.—Albert Brownlee, World War veteran, was hanged today in the state penitentiary for the slaying of Eston Hooker, deputy sheriff, on February 27.

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ABILENE MAN ELECTED HEAD OF W. T. C. OF C.

T. & P. BRIDGE IS WASHED OUT

(By Associated Press)
ALEXANDRIA, La., May 17.—The Texas & Pacific Railroad bridge between Morrow and Palmetto was washed out last night preventing rescue trains from going from Alexandria to Melville today.

BATON ROUGE, La., May 17.

Reports that the main levee at Melville on the west bank of the Atchafalaya River, 130 miles northwest of New Orleans, broke today and residents were forced to flee, were received here in information coming from a telephone operator who stated that virtually everything in the town was destroyed.

Confidence was expressed that no lives were lost as most of the 1,000 inhabitants had sought refuge on the nearby levees.

So swiftly did the waters come that only a few persons had the opportunity to save even the most precious of their personal belongings.

In the flight for safety the property was abandoned to save their lives.

TO COMBINE STATE DEPTS.

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, May 17.—The Pasteur Institute at the State Insane Hospital here will be combined with the pure food and drug laboratory and the state bacteriological laboratory, under an arrangement completed by the State Health Department in its biennial budget already approved by the Senate and soon to go to the House, it was learned here today.

The department wants to manufacture rabies serum and other anti-toxins for shipments to patients.

J. C. Jones, of Abilene, was in Ballinger Monday afternoon looking after business.

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(By Associated Press)

WICHITA FALLS, May 17.—R. W. Haynie, attorney of Abilene, was elected president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at the morning session of the convention here today.

Haynie's election followed a session devoted mostly to addresses, one of which was delivered by R. R. Ellis, of Memphis, Tenn., a vice-president of the United States Chamber of Commerce. In the course of his talk Ellis discussed the Mississippi flood situation and its effect upon the nation.

The selection of next year's convention city was on the program for the afternoon session, with Abilene and Fort Worth making strong bids for that honor.

COUNTY CLERK COULDN'T READ WONG LIM ON'S WILL

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, May 17.—An ability to read Chinese is no part of the required qualifications of a county clerk, insofar as is known here.

Therefore the local clerk's office required a translated copy when the will of Wong Lim On, lately deceased employee of a local cafe, was filed. The strange assortment of hieroglyphics in the original will purported to bequeath all the earthly possessions of Wong to his son, Wong Tan, who is to take the \$7,000 back home to his mother in China.

Frank Wilke, of Houston, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke.

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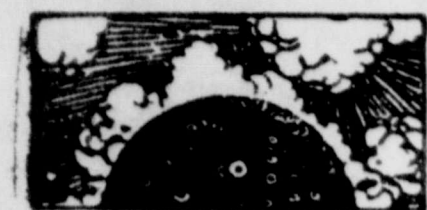
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Three monster airplanes are
tuned up awaiting favorable
weather conditions to hop off
from the United States on trans-
Atlantic flights to France. It is
to be hoped that all these flyers
arrive safely.

Local hardware dealers are
selling a number of binders this
month for the grain crop. One
firm had to send a truck to a dis-
tributing point for four binders
in order to supply its customers.
For a time it looked like there
would not be any harvesting
machines sold, but the business
now being done goes to show
what a little rain will do.

HERRING TOPICS

The farmers are all happy over
the nice rain and all intend to go
to work Monday morning, plant-
ing, and trying to kill the crop
of grass that will come up.

We are glad to report Miss
Xivian Kerby getting along nicely
and will be able to come home
Tuesday or Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mullanax, of
Valera, visited Mrs. Mullanax's
father, Mr. Bragg, recently.

Steve Hale, of Ballinger, visited
Mr. and Mrs. Hale Sunday.

Miss Francis Parks, of Ballinger,
spent a few days this week
with Miss Bernice Hale.

The young folks all enjoyed a
42 party at the home of J. P.
Brevard Saturday night.

R. E. Todd and family spent
Sunday at the Edwards home.

Miss Vena Arent spent a few
days recently with the T. C.
Payne family at Token.

Miss Evelyn Payne is visiting
Miss Myrtle Ruth Hale.

Miss Mona Arent went to To-
keen to visit Miss Eron Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Alleorn
visited Arthur Alleorn Sunday.

A large crowd from this com-



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kind to us. When dainty complexions
and hands are exposed to their burning
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again. Simply squeeze the juice of two
lemons into a three-ounce bottle of
Orchard White, which you can get from
your nearest store, and massage the com-
plexion and hands with this lotion.
You will be delighted with the way it
clears your skin and revives its youth-
ful charm.

Grecian Drapes to Hide Knees; Ballet Master's Style Forecast



(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, May 17.—The
cycle of feminine fashion may yet
swing back to the trailing
Grecian draperies of 25 cen-
turies ago.

Andreas Pavley, ballet master
of the Chicago Civic Opera Com-
pany, thinks so. He bases the be-
lief both on the trend in modern
fashion and on the artistic de-
ficiency of skirts slashed at the
knee.

The knee, says Pavley, is the
ugliest spot of woman's physique.
The dress should either come well
below or far above it. Cut at the
throat, tied in the middle and
chopped off at the knee, gowns of
today fail miserably, he thinks, to
beautify women.

Nor is the concealment of curves
a virtue. The garb he regards as
most becoming to woman is one

which gives individual expression
to the wearer by following the
curves, emphasizing the figure
rather than necks and knees.

Despite woman's unwillingness
to cede what she regards as free-
dom and comfort in present fash-
ions, Pavley discerns on the
boulevards short dresses with
trains which give more than a
hint of the coming order. Some
have georgette dropping to the
ankles.

The new day of trailing drap-
eries is on the way, he is certain,
with beautification of the fem-
inine figure and with greater
emphasis on personality and indi-
vidualism. Once the vogue is
altered even the old Empire dress
of 20 years ago will be outdone,
Pavley believes, in the mode of
trailing gowns, and both knee and
ankle will be curiosities again.

munity went to the play at
Oxien Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Brevard visited
Grandma Brevard at Blanton
Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Payne, of
Token, attended the play at
Oxien Friday night and returned
to the home of their uncle, G. C.
Avent, where they spent the night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Matthews, of
San Angelo, visited J. J. Fuller
Saturday night and Sunday.

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GUBERNATORIAL PORTRAITS



LEN SMALL

(By Associated Press)
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 17.—
Pets, pep, politics—Governor Len
Small's trinity of joy.

He doesn't care for sports, but
he is a friend of all the deer, foxes
and domestic animals that roam
his Kankakee estate. He is
Illinois' rhubarb king, and would
rather talk rhubarb than bonds,
although he is also a bank presi-
dent. His huge cattle barns hold
many a prize winner, but he never
poses with a milk pail. He never
tasted tobacco nor liquor.

Speeding is his weakness. Some-
times, traveling from his home to
the capital, he takes the wheel
from his chauffeur and shoots his
big sedan against the breeze for
all it's worth. Then he laughs.
Somebody said he was better
loved and more hated than any
man in Illinois public life. He
heard it—and laughed.

Ledger want ads pay.

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AUSTIN, May 17.—Two New
Zealand girls want Texas boy
friends to "tell them about the
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Postmaster J. Lynn Hunter, of
Austin, has received a letter from
Euphie Late and Nora Ratcliffe,
living at Makurunga, Grey-
town, Wairapa Valley, New Zeal-
and, asking him to advise local
youths that they (Euphie and
Nora) would like a mutual cor-
respondence.

In their desire to learn more
about the country, the girls
specify boys about 18 years old
would be suitable.

Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker, who
recently suffered a severe attack
of influenza, are much improved.
Dr. Walker was able to be down
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thought I would try it. For a while
I took a small dose every night un-
til my system was rid of the ac-
cumulated poison.

"I gained in weight and my gen-
eral health was good. That expe-
rience made me realize the merits
of Black-Draught. I kept it in my
home and when I begin to feel life-
less and dull, I take a dose, after
which I feel O. K. again.

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night at the Eighth Street Pres-
byterian Church under the direc-
tion of Prof. V. B. Leonard, vi-
olin instructor.

Miss Chambers is soloist of the
choir and is a remarkable student
of the violin. She is one of Mr.
Leonard's best pupils despite her
early age.

The program will be rendered
by a choir of ten musicians, nine

violinists and a piano accompan-
ist. Miss Eva Louise Myers will
be heard at the piano.

The program is being given in
benefit for the church. No admis-
sion will be charged but a free-
will offering will be taken. Mr.
Leonard has classes in Ballinger,
San Angelo and other West
Texas towns. The violin choir is
composed of members from his
San Angelo class.

The program will not be very
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Real Estate Transfers

Warranty Deeds

Lillie Boykin et al. to S. M. Farmer, part of Boykin's addition to the town of Miles, May 12, for the sum of \$100.

W. L. Hodges et ux. to First State Bank of Happy, Texas, 194 acres of the John Early survey No. 449, and 160 acres of the John Early survey No. 449, March 28, for the sum of \$12,830.

Zappe Land Company to W. H. Ferguson, 97 1/2 acres of the Burnet county school lands, February 1, for the sum of \$1,337.50.

Assignments of Oil and Gas Leases

C. E. Silix and Q. V. Miller to Wm. Dooze Jr., an undivided one-third interest in and to 100 acres of several surveys, April 1, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Q. V. Miller to Wm. Dooze Jr., an undivided interest in and to the west half of the north half of the east half of the W. C. Ry. Co. survey No. 11, aMy 4, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Co. to Marland Oil Company of Texas, 177 acres of the E. T. Ry. Co. surveys Nos. 135, 129 and 130, December 16, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Co. of Texas, 2,474 acres of the E. T. Ry. Co. surveys Nos. 139, 131 and 133, the G. W. Clayton surveys Nos. 130 and 132, and the A. G. Wills survey No. 3, December 16, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Co. of Texas, 200 acres of the T. & N. O. Ry. Co. survey No. 70, and the A. G. Wills survey No. 120, December 16, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Co. of Texas, 1,350 acres of several surveys, December 16, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Co. of Texas, 2,057.79 acres of the E. T. Ry. Co. surveys Nos. 132, 118 and 119, the A. G. Wills survey No. 120, and the B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. survey, December 21, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Co. of Texas, south 50 acres of four surveys, January 31, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Smi-Lock Petroleum Company to Marland Oil Company of Texas, 267 acres of the W. E. Pritchard survey No. 40, and 105.25 acres of the G. C. S. D. R. G. & N. G. Ry. Co. survey No. 39, January 29, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Leon L. Shield to Marland Oil Company, 732.2 acres of several surveys, March 28, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Leon L. Shield to Smi-Lock Petroleum Company, 177 acres of the E. T. Ry. Co. survey June 3, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

THAT BABY YOU'VE LONGED FOR

Mrs. Burton Advises Women on Motherhood and Companionship

"For several years I was denied the blessing of motherhood," writes Mr. Margaret Burton of Kansas City. "I was terribly nervous and subject to periods of terrible suffering and melancholia. Now I am the proud mother of a beautiful little daughter and a true companion. I believe hundreds of other women would like to know the secret of my happiness, and I will gladly reveal it to any married woman who will write me." Mrs. Burton offers her advice entirely without charge. She has nothing to sell. Letters should be addressed to Mrs. Margaret Burton, 2693 Massachusetts, Kansas City, Mo. Correspondence will be strictly confidential.

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The Dogie is Almost as Scarce as the Dodo; Longhorn Cattle Disappearing in Southwest



TOP—LONGHORN STEER
LOWER LEFT—ANTelope IN WICHITA GAME PRESERVE

LOWER RIGHT—THE TYPE OF CATTLE THAT HAS REPLACED THE LONGHORN ON THE TEXAS RANGES

(By Associated Press)

CACHE, Okla., May 17.—The dogie, immortalized by the wailing songs of the cowboy, has nearly joined the dodo in extinction.

Officials of Wichita National Park who are seeking to purchase a nucleus herd of the longhorn cattle so that the species may be perpetuated are having a difficult time finding the animals.

Concerned over the dwindling of the herds of half-wild cattle that once roamed the plains of the Southwest in countless thousands, the United States Department of Agriculture has set aside \$3,000 for the purchase of animals to stock a herd in the Wichita mountain game preserve.

H. H. French, park supervisor,

who has been commissioned to purchase the longhorns, believes it will be necessary to go below the Rio Grande into Mexico to find them. The purchase fund will not become available until July 1, but French has been attempting to locate specimens that may be obtained after that date. He has been unable to arrange for the purchase of any in Texas,

where they once were found in countless numbers.

Longhorns have been supplanted as beef cattle by herds with thoroughbred strains that attain greater size and are more easily handled.

The name, dogie, originated in the vocabulary of the range and although the cow-boys were wont to put it into their songs, the references are mostly uncomplimentary. This species of cattle is believed to have been of Spanish origin. They multiplied rapidly on the Texas plains during the Civil War when there was no outlet, and their movement to northern markets, after the war, over long and difficult trails, has become an outstanding part of the Southwest's history.

The longhorns, when purchased, will be placed in the best pasture the Wichita preserve affords, sharing it with a herd of elk.

BENOIT ITEMS

Farmers are very busy since the good rain which fell here Thursday.

Milton Clayton went to Fort Worth Tuesday on business, returning Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brookshire and family and Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Clayton visited relatives at Lawn Sunday.

W. H. Strickland left for Temple last week to be treated in a hospital there a few days.

Miss Lurline Brookshire visited relatives near Bronte last week, returning home Saturday accompanied by her cousin, Miss Brook-

shire.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cox and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox Sunday at Novice.

Quite a number of Benoitites went to Talpa and to Oxien Friday night to the different plays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rampy, of Miles, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Vandervan visited with her daughter, Mrs. Milton Clayton, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Cude visited at Valera Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Willingham and Mrs. Shiply have been employed as teachers here for the next term of school. They both reside in Ballinger.

Miss Mary Speed has been on the sick list this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clack and children spent Sunday with F. J. Cole and family.

The creamery people had a meeting here Friday night. We wish them every success with this enterprise.

"REPORTER"

LOU LADD-McMILLAN NO. 1 DRILLING AT 1,600 FEET

Lou Ladd-McMillan No. 1, six miles north of Ballinger, was drilling Tuesday morning near the 1,600-foot mark after starting up again last week following several days of idleness. The bit was working in blue shale Monday at noon near 1,575 feet.



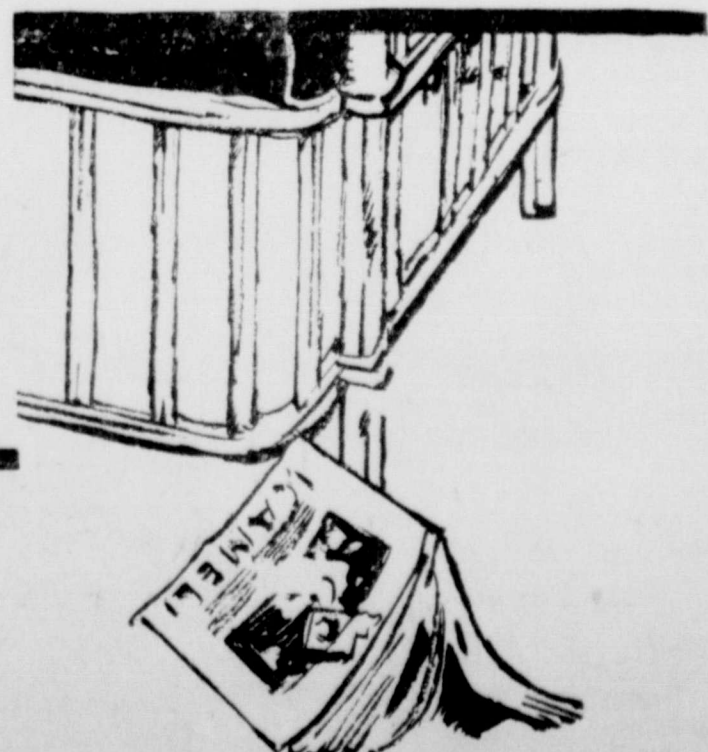
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and it recognizes and rewards
excellence.

This age
of high
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HERRING 4-H CLUB

Many of the Herring club boys and girls attended the rally at Ballinger Saturday, May 14. It was a red letter day for the Herring clubs. We were all there on time and thoroughly enjoyed everything on the program, particularly the "pep" meetings, the picture show, the lunch on the lawn, the ice cream, the inspection of the bottling plant, and most of all the girls' clothing contest. The Herring club had five girls in the contest and all made a creditable showing. Miss Della Bragg won first prize, a trip to the A. & M. short course, with all expenses paid. Miss Hazel Mae Grounds won second prize which was a nice box of toilet articles, valued at \$10. We are proud of these two Herring girls, and they certainly appreciate the prizes. Most of our girls have done splendid work in the club, and the boys have done well but they got such a late start that we have not caught up with the others yet but we feel sure that they will.

We wish to thank the Winters Chamber of Commerce, that gave the first prize, and Higginbotham Bros. & Co. of Ballinger, who gave the second prize. We assure them that the prizes are highly appreciated and we are glad to know that Runnels county has such public spirited citizens as they are. We also wish to thank our county agent, C. W. Lehmburg, and our home demonstration agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, for their splendid work with our boys and girls and for the enjoyable time which we had last Saturday in Ballinger. We expect to do more work and better work during the remainder of the year than we have done.

Club Reporter.

UP-AND-DOING DEMON-
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This club had a good meeting with Mrs. C. T. Michaelis on May 13th.

Mrs. Dora Barnes, of A. & M. College, came with Mrs. Hollingsworth and gave a demonstration of tailored finishing. Two kinds of set-in pockets, bound buttonholes, and French binding were made.

Mrs. Eddie Voelker resigned as secretary and treasurer and Mrs. Jack Mathis was elected to take her place. We were glad to have Mrs. Frank Smith join our club.

After all business was over delicious cake and punch were served to the following: Mrs. Dora Barnes, Lura Hollingsworth, Fred Parker, Tom Ferguson, Eddie Voelker, Jack Mathis, A. B. Davis, J. C. Blaxton, Ed Bradshaw, Bill Mathis, Frank Smith, J. L. Hinkle, Hugo Michaelis, Moses Johanna and Teena Goetz. Visitors included Mrs. Ernest Adams of Winters, Mrs. E. Graves, Misses Ruby Gunn, Maurine Davis and Bertie Smith of Coleman.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Hugo Michaelis, May 27. The demonstration will be yeast bread.

Club Reporter.

HERRING HUSTLERS

The Herring boys club met at the Herring school house Friday, May 13th at 3:00 p. m. Mr. Lehmburg was not present but the regular program of work was carried out by the club leader and the president. Instruction and help was given in keeping the record books. The club was then named the "Herring Hustlers," and some songs and yells were practiced. There were nine regular members and two visitors present.

Club Reporter.

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Michigan Asks Court to Doom House of David;
Legal Woes Multiply for King Ben and Cult

(By Associated Press)
BENTON HARBOR, Michigan, May 17.—Benjamin Franklin Purnell, "king" of the House of David, confronts at 65 an effort by the state of Michigan to break up the colony he founded in the name of a religious cult.

Reset already by criminal charges and a \$28,000 judgment against his colony, "King Ben," erstwhile house painter and tunnel watchman, must now face proceedings initiated by the state to throw the House of David into receivership and designed ultimately to break it up.

The receivership hearing is now in progress. Colony leaders assert that the cult is a religious association, not amenable to receivership action. The state retorts that it is "a humbug and a fraud," and purports to picture its inner workings at the hearing.

The colony was founded when Purnell, born in Kentucky in 1862 and heralded at 12 as a "boy preacher," gathered a fol-

lowing in Fostoria, Ohio, and brought his adherents to Benton Harbor.

In its heyday in 1922 it numbered 1,000 men and women eager to share in the "ingathering of the Israelites"—the 144,000 persons who were to become immortal.

Benjamin taught that those who died had disobeyed his teachings, but death played no favorites; it took Coy Purnell, his son. The corpse was carried from the colony unmoored.

John Hansel and his wife, expelled from the cult, sued for an accounting of property and for labor compensation in 1923, asking \$80,000. They were awarded \$28,000, and from the suit came evidence on which the pending civil and criminal actions are based.

Three young women cult members filed charges of criminal attack against "King Ben," and he disappeared. A worldwide search ended with his capture last November 16 in a midnight raid

on his room at the colony. Brought to court, he was not the erect man with long black hair and beard whom Benton Harbor had known, but an aged and feeble figure on a stretcher, his straggling locks turned gray.

The House of David promises other picturesque figures on the courts beside Benjamin: "Queen Mary," his wife; H. T. DeWhirst, cult member, legal representative and former justice of the California supreme court; William J. Barnard of Paw Paw, Purnell's personal lawyer; and Myrtle J. Tulk, an elderly woman colonist who, women cult members charged, escorted them as girls of 15 to Benjamin's chambers in Shiloh temple.

Summer School

For a period of two months beginning Monday, May 23, I will conduct private classes for all grades of school for the benefit of students who have failed in certain subjects. The rates of tuition will be the same as charged in the regular session of the Ballinger schools. Classes will meet at the Junior school building. Examinations will be held at the end of the term under the direction of school authorities.

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Blanche Sweet is ideally cast as "Dora," while Neil Hamilton plays opposite.

Earle Williams, Matt Moore, Julia Swayne Gordon, Sojin, "Buddy" Post, David Mir and Gustav von Seyffertitz are in the cast.

Forever After Has Strong Plot and Exceptional Cast

"Forever After," First National picture starring Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes, which will open a two-day engagement at the Palace Theatre tomorrow, is a romantic tale of the love affair between a New England belle and the son of the town's impeccable lawyer.

The romance lifts through the adolescence of high school, the gay days of college and finally crashes to a dramatic climax in a battle-scarred hospital of wartime France.

Mary Astor lends her graceful beauty to the leading feminine role. Lloyd Hughes gives a vigorous portrayal of the ambitious young lawyer who seeks to win fresh laurels for his love on the football field and battlefield.

The supporting cast presents a wealth of well-known screen names, including Alec B. Francis, David Torrence, Hallam Cooley, Malvina Jensen and Lila Leslie.

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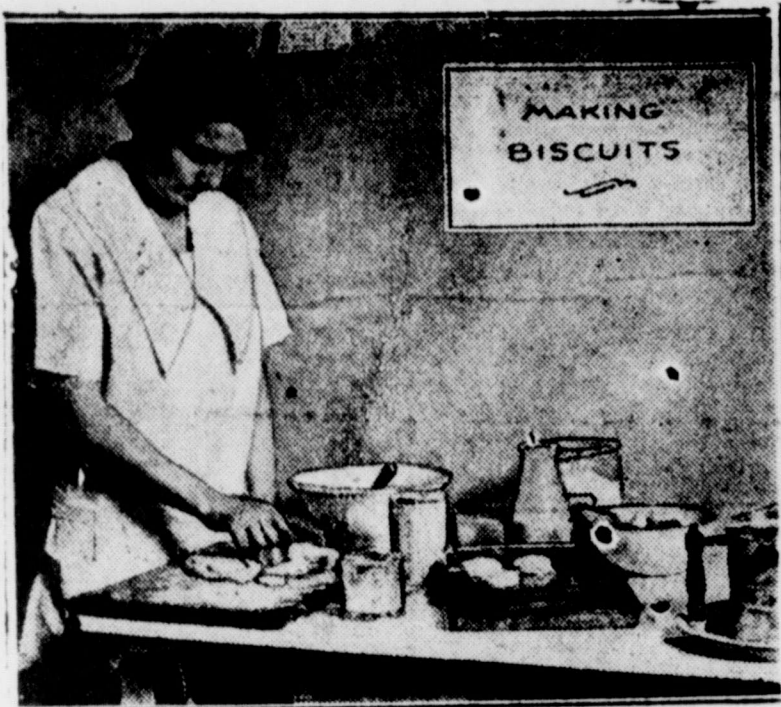
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One cup milk, three cups sifted soft-wheat flour, four to six tablespoons fat, four teaspoons baking powder, one teaspoon salt.

Mix and sift dry ingredients together. Work fat in with tips of fingers, then add liquid. Fat may be cut into flour with knives to avoid warming or handling the mixture too much, but the fingers may be used if you work quickly.

Either milk or water may be used, the quantity varying to obtain the kind of biscuit desired. If sour milk is used, instead of sweet, a scant half teaspoon of soda is necessary to neutralize acid of one cup of sour milk. Two teaspoons of baking powder are

then omitted. Bake biscuits in shallow pan on baking sheet, ungreased, except for drop biscuits. Oven should be very hot, and if electric table is available biscuits may be baked at the dining room table.

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BLANTON NEWS

The farmers of this community are busy planting, after the fine rain we had Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hensley and daughter, Miriam, are the guests of J. A. Foreman and family this week.

The party Saturday night at Harvey Esmond's was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Bro. Frank Hensley preached Sunday night at the Blanton church. His sermon was very interesting and enjoyed by all.

Several of the folks of this community attend the commencement services at Ballinger Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. James visited her daughter, Mrs. Lester Dietz, of Crews, last week.

Leona Foreman spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cope, of Miller.

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Origin of Several Cherished Senate Relics is a Mystery



SENATOR MOSES OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE WITH HISTORIC GAVEL NATIONAL PHOTOS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 17.—Mystery surrounds the origin of several Senate relics, some now in use and others in disuse.

The ivory gavel which Vice-President Dawes and Senator Moses, Republican, New Hampshire, president pro tempore, take turns in wielding with almost equal vigor, is reputed to have been used in the Continental Congress, but where it came from no one now connected with the Senate can say.

Even less information is to be had regarding two old time ballot boxes which repose in a cabinet in the president's room off the Senate chamber. Presumably they were used in the days when the Senate occasionally took secret ballots, a practice long since discontinued.

The gavel has turned yellow with age, but it is in a remarkable state of preservation considering the strenuous use to which it has been put by the many presiding officers over a century and a half. There are a few cracks and chipped places, but apparently it is good for many more years of service.

Unusual care is taken to safeguard this historic instrument. During the sessions of congress it is locked up in a desk each evening and when the Senate is in recess it is kept in a safe in the office of the sergeant-at-arms.

The ballot boxes were unearthed only recently, having been found in a hidden compartment of a desk on the Senate floor by Edward A. Halsey, confidential advisor to Democrats of the Senate. They were hand-made of mahogany with short handles, indicating that when secret ballots were ordered the clerks moved about from desk to desk.

While the use to which the boxes may have been put is not known officially, Senator Moses points out that there long has been a provision for secret balloting on the selection of standing committees.

Adolph Giesecke left Tuesday morning for Waco, College Station and San Antonio where he will visit friends and relatives for several days.

N. Dow Chapman, of San Angelo, was in Ballinger Monday afternoon looking after business.

Walt Allen is here from Colorado, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.

62 Seniors Will Receive Diplomas at Exercises

Supt. B. B. Cobb, of the Waco city schools, will deliver the commencement address tonight at the Senior high school auditorium, at which time sixty-two Seniors will receive their diplomas. Mr. Cobb is a distinguished speaker for such occasions and is expected to deliver a very interesting and inspiring talk to the graduates, their parents, and friends.

The program will start at 8:00 o'clock with Rev. Leslie G. Smyth, pastor of the First Christian Church, delivering the invocation, followed by a piano solo by Miss Alice Eugenia Baskin, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Baskin, who is valedictorian of the 1927 class.

The salutatory address will be delivered by Miss Pauline Morley. The title of the thesis is "Texas, the Empire State."

Miss Frances Harvey will be presented in a vocal solo, "The Swallows," by Cowen.

The valedictory address entitled "Morals, Student Activities," will be given by Miss Baskin.

Following is the complete program: Invocation, Rev. Leslie G. Smyth

Piano solo, "Le Papillon," Miss Alice Eugenia Baskin
Salutatory, "Texas, the Empire State," Miss Julianita Pauline Morley

Vocal solo, "The Swallows," Miss Mary Frances Harvey

Valedictory, "Morals, Student Activities," Miss Baskin

Reading, "How Did You Die?" Miss Winnie Dorris Taylor

Class Address, Supt. B. B. Cobb, of Waco schools

Piano solo, "Etude," Miss Hat-tie Mae Dunlap

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ALPINE FRUIT CROP MAY BE MORE ABUNDANT

(By Associated Press)
ALPINE, Tex., May 17.—Reports to the chamber of commerce here indicate that the fruit crop in the Alpine and Davis Mountains sections will be more abundant than it was thought it would be following recent late freezes.

At that time, it was believed all fruit, except possibly apples, had been killed, but a recent survey indicates that in addition to the apple crop, expected to be about average, peaches, plums and pears will be gathered.

A number of plum trees entirely escaped the freeze while scattering peaches and pears are found throughout the highlands of Texas. Berry and grape crops, always abundant in this section, escaped damage entirely because they bloom too late to be affected by frosts.

Indications also are that cotton acreage in this section will be slightly greater than of last year as a result of the floods in the Mississippi Valley which have led farmers to expect a better cotton price this year. The increase, if any, will be small, however.

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