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October Rainfall Here Sets New High Mark

The year 1930 has been considered a dry year in Runnels county and yet only three years in history have shown a greater rainfall for the entire 12 months than this, and before the year is over 1930 may set a new record for precipitation in any single year.

To date this year the county has received a total rainfall of 29.77 inches, but 15.65 inches of this has fallen in October, setting a new record for any one month since January 1895, as far back as an accurate record goes. August 1906 is the nearest month to this month with a recorded rainfall of 11.54 inches, which practically fell at one time. Old times can refer to the rain of 1906 when the Colorado River and Elm Creek met in the business district of the city and for three days high water raged here. Rail traffic was halted except to transfer across bridges on foot to another waiting train.

Rains this month have been distributed over four weeks time with 13 inches falling the first two week-ends of the month. Other rains have been light but with the earth already soaked, have kept roads and fields so muddy that travel and work have been greatly hampered.

Four years since 1895 have shown rainfall of more than 30 inches. The report for 1900 shows 35.23; 1906, 37.82; 1914, 31.13; and 1923, 36.04. Lowest rainfall ever recorded was in 1917 when 10.61 inches was the total for the entire year. A close second was 1910, however, with only 11.51 inches. The yearly average precipitation for the past 35 years in Runnels county is 22.57 inches.

An interested study of rain statistics of this county shows that every year following a year that received as much as 30 inches a bountiful crop was raised with cotton production running high.

May leads all months for rainfall in the past 35 years in this county.

Ginnings to Oct. 18 Amount to 20,077

The county cotton ginnings prior to October 18th amounted to 20,077 bales. This information was received here Wednesday morning from the government and indicates that about two-thirds of the 1930 crop has been gathered. In 1929 the ginnings of the same date amounted to 32,544 bales.

Weather for picking cotton has been bad since October 1 and farmers have been out of their fields most of the time due to muddy weather. The first four days of the month saw more cotton gathered than for any similar period since that time. The first big rain fell on October 5 and since then the longest dry period has been six days.

Conservative cotton men figure this year's crop in the county will run between 30,000 and 35,000 bales, probably remaining near the 30,000 mark.

With sunshine continuing for several days a large number of pickers will get back in the fields and ginnings will start climbing again.

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office.

2 More Germans Die of Injuries

HAMBURG, Germany, Oct. 29.—The Hamburg-American Line offices here today received information that two members of the crew of the steamship Baden, shelled as it was attempting to leave the harbor of Rio de Janeiro last week, died in a hospital there as the result of injuries.

The two additions today make the death toll in the shelling total twenty-nine. Forty were injured in the affair.

Mrs. C. F. Bailey, Mrs. L. R. Tigner and Mrs. George Pearce attended the Eastern Star convention at San Angelo Tuesday afternoon and night and were accompanied home by Dr. W. B. Halley.

Head Hunters Kill Women, Children

(By Associated Press)
TOKYO, Oct. 29.—The fury of Formosa's uprising of Taiyali head hunters was recounted at the war office today where advisers said eighty-six Japanese were slain by the aborigines at Musha.

The fate of 150 others is in doubt. Among the dead were twenty-three women, seventeen girls and twenty-one boys.

The exact cause of the revolt has not been determined.

Chinese Troops to Russian Border

(By Associated Press)
SHANGHAI, Oct. 29.—Reports from Harbin today said Manchurian authorities had ordered troops to the Russian border near Manchull as a result of the threatened breakdown in the Moscow conference seeking a settlement of the Chinese Eastern Railway dispute between China and Russia.

The railroad was built jointly by the two nations during Russian czarist days, and formerly was jointly operated.

In July 1929, Chinese military authorities removed Russians from control of the road, charging that the Russians were using their positions to spread Soviet communist propaganda in China. Russian troops then occupied several Manchurian towns. A peace agreement was then signed pending the outcome of the present conference in Moscow.

Propaganda Charge On Soviet Russia

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Oct. 29.—The British government has made representations to Soviet Russia that the Moscow government has not observed its pledge against propaganda exchanged between the two countries upon resumption of relations.

Eight Bodies Taken From Wrecked Mine

(By Associated Press)
McALESTER, Okla., Oct. 29.—Eight bodies of the twenty-nine coal miners trapped in the Wheatley No. 4 mine by an explosion Monday, were recovered and identified today.

Other men are still trapped in underground shafts.

BALLINGER FAMILY RETURNS FROM SEVEN DAYS' VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Pilcher and niece, Miss Letha Blewett, of Santa Anna, returned Tuesday from a seven days' absence from Ballinger visiting friends, relatives and the State Fair at Dallas.

While in Dallas they were the guests of August Glober and family, old time residents of Ballinger, they also visited with Robert Massey and Fred Loop, both of whom were one-time citizens of Ballinger. They visited Arthur Wilkerson of Fort Worth while away. Mr. Wilkerson is the son of Mrs. N. Wilkerson of Crews and was reared in Runnels county. He is now in the drug business in Fort Worth. The Pilcher family saw the football game Saturday between S. M. U. and the University of Indiana. They made the trip by auto and were glad to be at home again.

Another Junior is Seeking Record

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Stanley Boynton, 18, took off from here for Kansas City this morning on a westward flight, seeking to lower the junior transcontinental flight record.

ABYSSINIAN RULERS AWAIT CORONATION DAY



Careful and elaborate preparations were completed in Addis Ababa for the enthronement of the Negus Ras Tafari and his queen, Walzeru Menen, who on November 2 will be crowned emperor and empress of Abyssinia. The Negus is shown right on his throne dressed in ceremonial robes. A scene at Addis Ababa during a royal celebration is shown above.

Good Rains Help Outlook in 11th Reserve District

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, Oct. 29.—The heavy soaking rains which fell throughout this federal reserve district during the first week in October relieved the prolonged drought, left a good season in the ground, and created a brighter outlook for agriculture and business. The monthly business review of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, issued today, stated:

"Farmers are now able to proceed with fall plowing and to complete the seeding of small grains," the review continued. "That portion of the small grain crop already sown has come up to a good stand and is growing rapidly. Late feed crops were benefited to some extent and reports indicate that cotton bolls are maturing more normally. The condition of livestock and their ranges, which had become critical in the drought-stricken areas prior to the rains has been greatly improved. Grass and weeds on the ranges have started and with a late frost considerable pasturage should be available during the winter. The movement of livestock to market has been considerably reduced and prices have turned upward."

The review stated that trade in both wholesale and retail channels had continued on a considerable smaller scale than a year ago but that September business showed a substantial improvement over August. The department store sales in leading cities were particularly improved, 39 per cent over the previous month and but two per cent less than in September, 1929. The comparison with a year ago was the most favorable in several months.

"Distribution of merchandise at wholesale again showed a heavy decline from a year ago; yet the increase over the previous month in some lines was more than seasonal in character," the review recited. "This was due in part to the fact that merchants bought very sparingly early in the season and have found it necessary to replenish stocks at frequent intervals as the season progressed. Despite the fact that business is at a low ebb there are some indications of returning optimism and a strengthening of the undertone of confidence."

A sharp upturn in the commercial loans of reserve city banks was regarded as a significant development in the financial situation, these loans early in October reaching the highest point since the last days of February.

"The daily average of net demand and time deposits rose from \$820,361,000 in August to \$830,125,000 in September, but the increase was considerably less than usual at this season," the review stated. "Federal Reserve Bank loans to member banks reflected a gradual decline during September and remained comparatively stable at around \$10,500,000 during the first half of October."

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Three are Killed in Cameron Gun Battle

Court of Honor Makes Awards

(By Associated Press)
CAMERON, Tex., Oct. 29.—Ed Duman, special officer; Guy Pope, deputy sheriff; and R. B. Brady, store proprietor, are dead as the result of a gun battle here today. Deputy Sheriff Ray Robinson was wounded in the fight. Sheriff L. L. Blaylock said he could advance no motive for the slayings. Brady shot himself soon after City Marshal Gene Smith sought to arrest him.

The following merit badges were awarded: Jack Lynn, camping; Fred Walter King, first aid and civics; Alfred Zedlitz, first aid and pathfinding.

The rank of Star Scout was conferred upon Fred Walter King, Alfred Zedlitz and Marion Connelly. Each had received five merit badge awards. The greatest event of the evening came with the conferring of the highest rank in scouting upon Jack Lynn, that of Eagle Scout. There are only about 60 Eagle Scouts in the seven counties of this area, and few Scouts ever attain this honor. A boy must pass through the various ranks of tenderfoot, second class, first class, star and life Scout before he is eligible for this rank. He must have twenty-one merit badges and be a first class Scout a year before he can apply for this high rank. It is quite an event in the larger towns when a boy is made an Eagle Scout.

Mr. Shumway made a short talk on the worth of this high rank of scouting to anyone who holds it. Members of the court of honor each congratulated Jack upon his attainment.

The badge of his new rank will be presented to young Lynn at the next meeting of the court of honor. It is planned to make an interesting public meeting of the occasion, with all the citizens to be invited.

Famous Pioneer Texan is Dead

(By Associated Press)
GILMER, Tex., Oct. 29.—Nat M. Harrison, 83, a resident of Upshur county since childhood, an early day member of the Texas legislature and a member of the committee that accepted the state capitol in 1882, also financial agent at Rusk under Governors Hogg and Culberson, died at his home here yesterday.

Walter Woodward of Coleman was here Wednesday in connection with matters in district court now in session.

Be wise and advertise.

Ortiz is Given 99 Years For Murder of Daughter

Kidnapped Banker Returns to Home

(By Associated Press)
GALVA, Ill., Oct. 29.—Earl Yocum, wealthy banker of this city, returned to his home here today after supposedly being held for ransom for three days by kidnapers. He refused to see callers.

Mrs. Yocum said her husband had been kidnapped but would not discuss his ransom or his return.

Mrs. Chas. Eyster is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Butler.

Kelley's Charges Cause Dismissal

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Secretary of Interior Ray Lyman Wilbur today dismissed from the service, Ralph S. Kelley, former field agent for the interior department at Denver, who had charged the department mis-handled Colorado oil shale lands. Wilbur said Kelley's conduct with the department was such that his connection might be considered terminated by dismissal. President Hoover, personally, yesterday claimed the charges were false, offering explanations of "discrepancies" in Kelley's statements.

Kelley has reiterated that large oil companies were obtaining control of the leases illegally, and declared the affair similar to the Teapot Dome and Elk Hills scandals during the previous administrations.

Bridge Cable Snaps; Damage is Great

(By Associated Press)
NEWCASTLE, Tex., Oct. 29.—Approximately \$100,000 damage resulted today when one of the supporting cables of the 1,100-foot bridge over the Brazos River two miles from here, snapped, leaving half the bridge suspended in mid-air. Built in 1910, the span was claimed to be the longest bridge west of the Mississippi.

300 are Killed By Marauders

(By Associated Press)
SHANGHAI, Oct. 29.—It was reported here tonight that marauders looted and burned six villages, and killed 300 persons near Kaifeng, province of Honan.

Dr. J. H. Coleman of Brownwood, presiding elder of this district for the Methodist Church, came in Wednesday afternoon to be here at the night session of the church and hold the fourth quarterly conference.

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WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)
West Texas—Fair and colder in the south portion; frost tonight, Thursday fair.
East Texas—Generally fair, colder and frost in the interior tonight, Thursday fair.

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Beginning Friday morning 1 will have a Reduced Price on Dresses and Coats, at

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The jury hearing the case of the State of Texas vs. Emilio Ortiz, charged with the murder of his daughter, returned a verdict of guilty at 10:30 Tuesday night, assessing the punishment at 99 years in the penitentiary.

At a former trial in Paint Rock Ortiz was given the death penalty but a new trial was granted on account of irregularities in the jury room while the jurors were deliberating the verdict and a change of venue sent the case to Ballinger.

Ortiz is alleged to have killed his daughter on August 17, 1930, at their camp near Paint Rock by cutting her throat and later taking her body to a spot in some brush about 30 yards from the tent where it was found some 12 or 14 hours later.

A Mexican boy passing the tent found the body lying in the brush and immediately went to the man for whom he was working and notified him. Officers were summoned and soon arrived at the scene and after a thorough examination took the corpse to a burial ground. The father of the girl was missing and after a few days search in this territory, Sheriff Willie Warren of Concho county employed Joe Flores, of San Angelo, a Mexican officer, to work on the case. Flores soon picked up the trail and on the eighth days after the girl's body was discovered Ortiz was arrested by Flores in Presidio and placed in jail there.

After returning Ortiz to Paint Rock for the examining trial Sheriff Warren brought him here and lodged him in the Runnels county jail. He was given a sanity trial and pronounced sane by physicians and at the last term of district court at Paint Rock Ortiz received the death penalty. This verdict, however, was set aside and a new hearing ordered at Ballinger by District Judge J. Miller.

Practically all day Tuesday spent in selecting a jury was completed Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The state sent about the same evidence as was introduced in the case at Paint Rock, and after a short presentation of evidence by the defense the case was given to the jury.

The jurors were questioned as to whether they would consider the degree of mentality possessed by the Mexican in arriving at the verdict by the defense attorneys, and upon this predicated a plea for something less than the death penalty. The jury was out only a short time after the arguments were completed and asked to be allowed to report the verdict.

At the beginning of the trial Ortiz entered a plea of guilty. A number of witnesses in the case Tuesday were Mexicans who could not speak English and C. T. Grant was used as interpreter.

The jurors and all men summoned on the special venire were discharged and the regular petit jury for the week was recalled for Wednesday morning to continue with the regular criminal docket.

Dr. J. H. Herndon of Miles was in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon attending court and looking after business here.

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If there is anything to a good season in the ground this section of the country will be in the swim next year. Glancing over the rain report in this county for the past 35 years it shows that a bumper crop was made every year following a year that received big fall rains. This county was never wetter (from rain) than at present. Springs along hill-sides have begun to flow for the first time in many years and the ground is wet to a great depth. This will be a wonderful foundation for crops next year and the summer heat will not have effect as quickly as was the case the past summer.

A large number of West Texas towns are holding mass meetings to discuss charity problems and laying plans for raising money to carry on relief work this fall and winter. Charity plans in Ballinger start at the time the Thanksgiving service is held and this year will probably be in line with other West Texas cities. General work will be over early this fall and with poverty already a common thing here, there will be a big job for those who serve on the charity board for the succeeding twelve months. At each Thanksgiving service two men and two women are elected to serve on this board for one year. Two members of the board will be holdovers this year and two new ones will be elected. The board now serving will make its annual report and the offering taken at this service will be given to the charity board for use the ensuing year. In addition to this some kind of a drive likely will be made in order to take care of those worthy of help during the cold months.

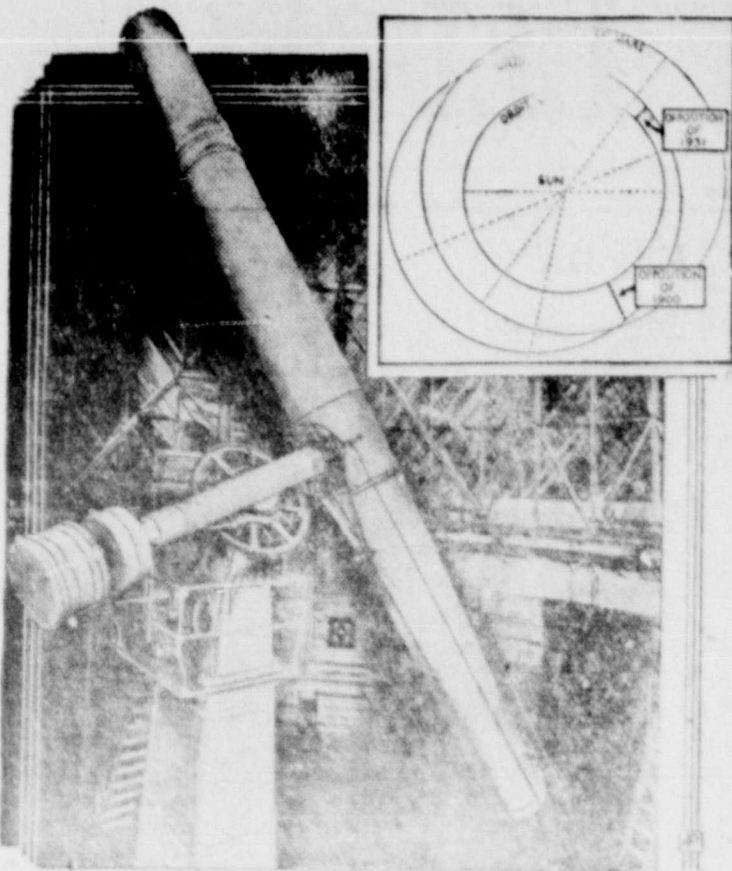
Election day is almost upon us. It is seldom that anyone is heard to make a remark "raining it." Election supplies ready here and before Tuesday will be in the hands of every voter. Judge in the county and ready for the voters on November 4. Perhaps the most important matter on this year's ticket are the constitutional amendments. A strong campaign has been made in behalf of these amendments, especially in West Texas where agencies are using every effort to promote interest on the amendment which will allow University of Texas oil lands to be taxed in West Texas counties. If you are not familiar with these amendments learn about them before November 4 and vote.

A GREAT INDUSTRY

Few industries can show as favorable record of efficiency and unceasing progress as can fire insurance.

For the past twenty years the cost of fire insurance to the insured has been declining until today it is said to be one of the cheapest of all necessities. While the average rate in 1913 was \$1.24 in 1927 it was only 86 cents. Since then rates have continued to drop. Yet our average annual fire loss reached the gigantic total of \$550,000,000 in 1925 and has never gone much below \$550,000,000 since. Statistics for the first part of this year show that the loss is appreciably greater than in 1929.

The reduction in fire insurance rates can be credited almost entirely to the voluntary action of the industry. The business of fire insurance entails a great deal more than estimating risks, writing policies, receiving premiums, and paying losses. Today insurance companies do a tremendous public service in educating the public in preventing fire, in fighting arson, in advocating better fire departments, building specifications and the like. The in-

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To Give Astronomy New Yardstick

Giant telescope such as the one at Mount Wilson (above) will be trained on Eros when that tiny planet is opposite the sun in January (diagram). Astronomers are seeking a new stellar "yardstick."

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—The tiny planet Eros moving toward the earth from far out space is expected to bring astronomy a new yardstick to measure the solar system.

Astronomers of the naval observatory already are making preliminary observations of this moving point of light which in January will come within about 16,000,000 miles of the earth.

It will be photographed by widely scattered observatories in a world cooperative program sponsored by the international astronomical union.

Marking the closest approach of a measurable celestial object, except the moon, in many years, Eros will swing well within the orbit of Mars, but will stay outside the earth's orbit.

One of the thousand odd of the planets, or asteroids, in the earth's family circle, Eros, judged by its brightness, is believed about 15 miles in diameter.

On January 29, at the time of its nearest approach, Eros, about the seventh magnitude, almost can be seen with the unaided eye. Stars of the sixth magnitude are just visible to the naked eye.

Eros is very important to astronomers since it comes relatively close to the earth, and is

small that it can be considered a mathematical point, with no mass, breadth, or thickness to upset calculations.

These near approaches take place only at long intervals, the last 30 years ago when the distance was almost twice as great as it will be in January.

It is explained at the observatory that the sun, present yardstick for planetary distances since there is a probable error of 100,000 miles in its calculated distance of 92,870,000 miles from the earth.

Astronomers want to eliminate this error, insignificant when the extent of the heavens is considered, but of vital importance when it occurs in the yardstick of space. The sun is so big, it is pointed out, that precise calculations are difficult.

The distance of Eros will be determined by trigonometric calculations, using the known radius of the earth as the base of a triangle which has the star in its apex.

The observations involve complicated procedure. Allowance must be made for the rotation of the earth during the six weeks or more period of observation, for the dispersion of light near the horizon, and even for temperature.

Miss Georgia Singletary and Loyce Fowler and Mrs. Pearl Gustavus attended the grand chapter Eastern Star meeting at San Angelo Tuesday night.

One cannot say how much greater our fire loss would be were it not for the "prevention" work of the insurance industry. But the present magnitude of the waste shows that the public still has a great deal to learn of the ordinary, common-sense principle of fire prevention. When American property owners really absorb these principles, the nation will be saved thousands of lives and untold millions of dollars a year—in property values, in insurance rates, in taxes and in industrial losses.

In Tuesday's issue of The Ledger it was stated that Mrs. Jennie Kimb was in San Angelo attending the grand chapter convention of the Eastern Star and acting as special page to the associate grand matron. This was an error as Miss Griffie Atkins of the Ballinger lodge is acting in this place of honor during the meeting.

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SUNDOWN
STORIESTHE BIRTHDAY
By Mary Graham Bonner

"I've turned the time back to this very day of a few years ago," the Little Black Clock said, and now they were in a city—very much like cities they knew.

They walked along a city street and there in a baby carriage they saw a little baby with such a bright, bright look in his eyes, and such a jolly, friendly expression and such a nice smile.

"Is he going to invent something or become an explorer?" John asked.

"No," the Little Black Clock replied.

"What then?" John asked. "Is he going to become very famous?"

"Many people will know of his work in the future, and will love it," the Little Black Clock answered, "but the whole world will not know about him."

Sometimes the Little Black Clock puzzled John and Peggy, but they waited patiently for him to explain himself.

Now the Clock was slowly turning the time ahead and they saw that the baby had become a boy.

There were many other boys around him and he was playing baseball with the others.

"You are wondering what it is all about?" the Little Black Clock asked.

The children nodded.

"I just wanted you to see a boy who will do fine work and who will be talented and yet who will not be a Christopher Columbus or a Henry Hudson or anyone of that sort. I wanted you to see this boy because once in awhile I think it is nice to meet someone who is so nice and so fine that everyone with whom he will come in touch will be made happier because of knowing him."

And now John joined him as he was playing baseball with the others, and as he left awhile later with the Little Black Clock, he said, "He was just great, Little Black Clock. I'm ever so glad I met him."

(Tomorrow—Wonder Seeds)

Card of Thanks

We wish to publicly thank our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and for their thoughtfulness of us during the trying hour through which we have just passed in the death of our husband, father and grandfather.

Especially do we thank Dr. Love and Miss Alice Smith who cared for him so tenderly and also those who sent the beautiful and appreciated floral offerings.

May you all have the same blessings when called upon to pass through the valley of the shadow of death.

Mrs. J. N. Harris, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren 29-11d

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By DR. LAGO GALLISTON

For the New York Academy of Medicine

WINTER IS COMING

The cold season is approaching, and with it, the season of colds. Those who keep the record of our beings, the vital statisticians, now begin to note an increase in the deaths due to respiratory diseases. Slowly this curve of mortality mounts, until it reaches its peak during the months of February and March.

Then, with the approach of warm weather, it begins to decline again.

Many of these deaths are preventable. Many of the fatal cases begin with what the victim at first considers to be "nothing but a common cold." A large number of deaths charged against the respiratory diseases should be properly charged against indifference and neglect.

The diseases of the respiratory system lead all other causes of mortality. The prevention of colds and of the other diseases of the breathing tract is therefore one of the largest, and probably the most urgent of the problems in preventive medicine.

Prevention would be a great deal easier to effect if the structure and function of the breathing mechanism were more universally understood.

The item of "exposure" alone should suffice to convince one of the need for taking good care of even the slightest nose, throat or chest infection.

The lungs, of course, communicate with the outside. They are in effect exposed as much, and even more, than the skin.

The lungs are at work all the time, from birth to death. Eighteen times a minute they are swept by a current of air carrying dust particles, germs and other foreign substances.

Ordinarily, the lungs are well able to rid themselves of the invading substances. But, when infection sets in, they, and the

body as a whole, need all the support that comes from intelligent and cautious procedure.

(Tomorrow—How to Catch Cold)

HIGHWAY OFFICIALS TO
ATTEND NATIONAL MEET

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Oct. 29.—W. R. Ely, of Abilene, new chairman of the state highway commission; D. K. Martin, of San Antonio, highway commissioner; and Gibb Gilchrist, state highway engineer, will attend the meeting of the American Association of State Highway Officials at Pittsburgh

next month.

The three will combine business with pleasure and expect to attend the Southern Methodist-Navy game at Baltimore the day before the annual session opens, and to stop at Champaign, Ill., for the game between Illinois and Ohio State on the return trip.

D. K. Martin, who will get a late start to the convention due to a meeting in Amarillo of the Baylor University endowment campaign committee, of which he is chairman, will fly from Amarillo to Columbus, O., to meet Ely and Gilchrist.

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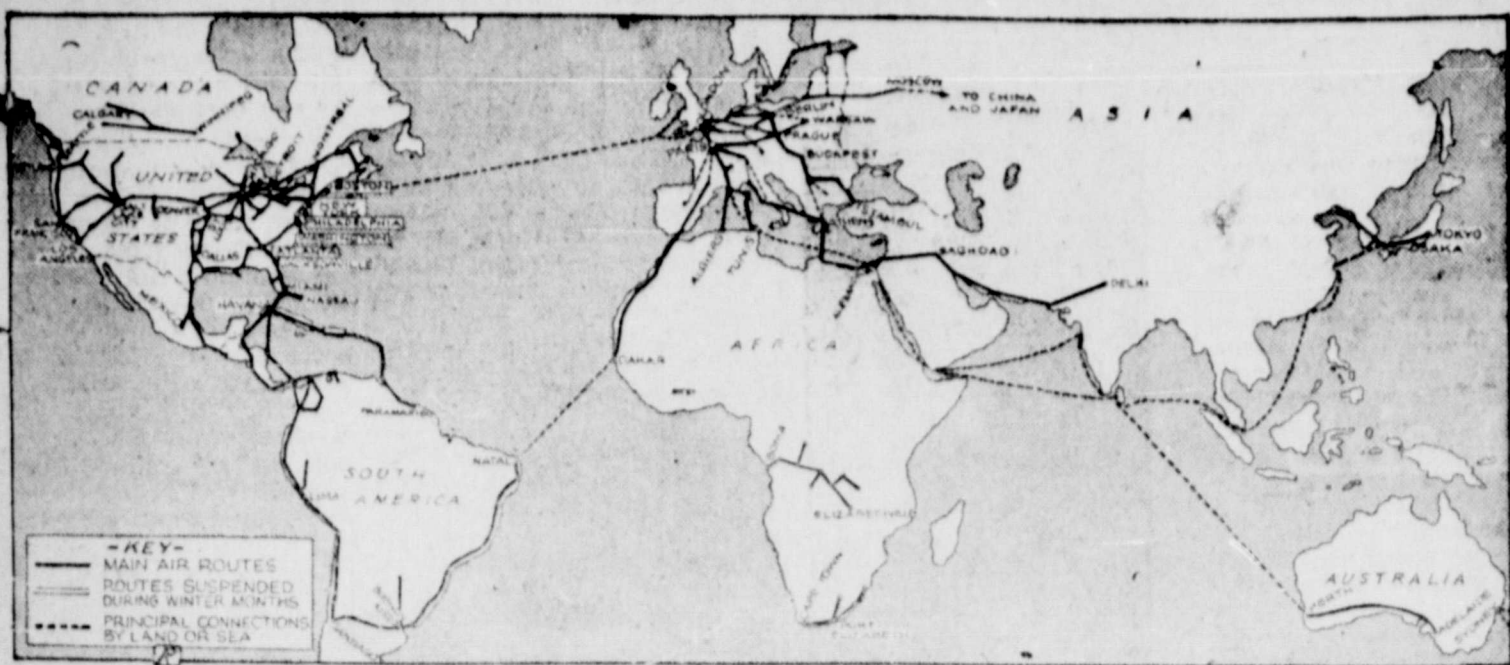
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By Charles McManus

Yankee Fliers Set World Air Mail Pace



This map shows how a world-wide network of airways speeds your letters. New air mail routes are constantly being developed.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—American fliers are continuing a record-setting pace in transporting the mails.

In the first half of 1930 they carried 3,744,453 pounds, 202,375 more than they flew in all of 1928. European countries, though covered with a fine network of lines, have been unable to challenge the record.

Where the United States carried 7,097,281 pounds of mail in 1929, Germany reported 897,878 pounds; France, 216,714 pounds; and Italy, 141,653 pounds.

W. Irving Glover, assistant postmaster general under whom the American network has largely been routed, says that the air mail system "has done more to build up and stimulate the field of commercial aviation than any other governmental agency."

American mail pilots fly an average of 52,121 scheduled airplane miles daily, speeding their cargo throughout the nation, feeding into lines that have spread in Pan-America and Canada, and to steamships that find planes waiting for them in foreign ports.

Great Britain, with little development possible on its isles, has pushed airways down into India. France has spread to African possessions and across to South America; and Japan is linked with the Asiatic mainland by air.

It is possible to fly from London to Russia, from Stockholm to India.

Planes leave a number of steamships from 300 to 600 miles from shore, saving several days in mail deliveries. Mountain-bound communities in South America have been able to cut mail deliveries from 28 to 4 days.

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MOVIES

Experience Actors Are Joy to Most Screen Directors Says Renaud Hoffman

What makes the director tear his hair, if any—and swear, if profane?

It is the interminable number of rehearsals and retakes usually required in the filming of pictures.

And how he smiles—an angelic smile of content—when he finds an actor who can walk right on to the set while the camera is grinding and go through the scene as though he were really living the part.

But it takes a seasoned trouper and an extraordinary artist in one to bring about such a millennium. In the filming of "Blaze o' Glory" Director Renaud Hoffman of the Sono-Art all-talker, stated that it was the first time in his experience that it was unnecessary to rehearse or retake a single scene in which his featured leads, including Eddie Dowling, the star, Henry B. Walthall and Betty Hampton, appeared.

Each one is a seasoned veteran, and they will be seen today and Thursday at the Palace Theatre when "Blaze o' Glory," Dowling's second singing, talking and dancing picture, will be presented for the first time in Ballinger.

HUNTERS WANT AID

(By Associated Press.)

COLEMAN, Oct. 29.—Duck hunters in Coleman county would like to have government aid. The season opened October 16 and will close January 31. There are no ducks here at this time and rarely ever are unless there is early winter weather. On the other hand they are plentiful when the season closes.

North Carolina elementary school children borrowed 1,500,000 books from 385 standard libraries last year.

CAPITOL News

By Paul Bolton

(Associated Press Staff Writer)

AUSTIN, Oct. 29.—In addition to passing newspaper notoriety, the one and only all-woman supreme court in Texas also won a place in the nation's legal annals.

Legal fame of the court's opinion was uncovered by a newspaper reporter in collaboration with "Judge" Hattie L. Henenberg, one of the justices of that 1925 tribunal, now an assistant attorney general. (The "Judge" to her name is in remembrance of her service on the bench of the state's highest court.)

Miss Henenberg, although getting one of the "biggest thrills" of her life out of the honor, has never had the curiosity to follow the case. Recently while discussing the famous court, which was appointed to decide a Modern Woodmen case after all judges had disqualified themselves as members, Miss Henenberg was moved to see if the opinion ever was cited in subsequent higher court cases.

She found eight citations—more than the usual case gets—six in the Supreme Court of Texas, one in a Texas appeals court, and one beyond the limits of Texas, in the Supreme Court of Nevada.

When the judge discovered this, she got another big thrill! Mrs. Hortense Ward, now a practicing attorney in Houston, was chief justice of the court, and the third member was Miss Ruth Brazzil. Miss Henenberg said she understood Miss Brazzil was now married, but did not know her name and address.

Legality of delinquent tax collection contracts made for taxes to become delinquent in the future will be under fire in a case to be heard by the court of civil appeals at San Antonio, October 22. The case, in which Assistant Attorney General William Wade will represent the state, was appealed from Hidalgo county.

Importance of the case was stressed because in the event the court should reverse the lower courts finding, in favor of the

state, the precedent might be followed in a score or more similar suits pending all over the state.

The suit, styled A. W. Cameron et al., vs D. C. Earnest, et al., was appealed by Claude Pollard, former attorney general, representing J. C. Epperson, former county judge, who held the delinquent tax collector's contract.

The contract called for a 25 per cent commission on all taxes collected, extending to Feb. 1, 1931. The state attacked it on two principal grounds—first, that the amount asked was unconscionable, and second, that a contract could not be made for taxes until they were delinquent. In other words, until the delinquent taxes exist a contract cannot be made for collecting them.

The state claimed that there was approximately \$1,000,000 in unpaid taxes in the county, of which \$800,000 was collectable, upon which the profit to the collector would be approximately \$200,000, less about \$50,000 for the cost of collecting would be much greater than that.

The law provides that before such a contract can be made the county attorney must have refused to file suits against the delinquents. This led to another question which may be decided. The county attorney had refused to file the suits in Hidalgo, but before the contract was made, his term of office expired. He was re-elected, but was not again asked to file the suits. The state contended that the contract was not binding because he had not been asked. Epperson claimed his first refusal to file sufficed.

One of the legacies of Jimmie Allred, if his Democratic nomination carries him into the attorney general's office, will be an uncounted number of law suits, probably several hundred

Two assistant attorneys general alone have more than 50 cases each pending in various parts of the state and there are a dozen or more assistants.

About people: Dominos is Gov. Moody's favorite sport. He and Claude Teer, board of control chairman, stage friendly fights over the table. Fred Connerly, clerk of the Supreme court, has an enviable reputation as a hunter. His brother, Bob, has an equally enviable reputation as a golfer and a fisherman. Rice Tilley, assistant attorney general, can't sleep on railroad sleeping cars. He is the tallest and some say the most handsome in the state house. Pat M. Neff, an orator of note, is preparing another book of his addresses, in collaboration with his secretary, Mrs. E. M. Shirley. His most noted book was called "The Battles of Peace." Genial Pat Dougherty, private secretary to the governor, was sprinter in high school back in Bell county. His co-worker, Mark Wiginton, raises chickens. Miss Suzette Meyer, private "steno" for the governor, never misses a circus.

The 1930 Oklahoma spring pig crop showed a 30 percent decrease from that of 1929.

Almost 300,000 acres of land are included in North Carolina game refuges.

The University of Iowa is 72 years old.

SPORTS

How They Stand:

Western Division			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Ballinger	4	0	1.000
Winters	2	0	1.000
Eden	4	1	.800
Santa Anna	1	2	.333
Coleman	0	2	.000
Melvin	0	2	.000
Paint Rock	0	3	.000
Eastern Division			
Team	W	L	Pct.
San Saba	3	0	1.000
Richland Springs	3	0	1.000
Lampasas	2	0	1.000
Brady	0	2	.000
Lometa	0	3	.000
Goldthwaite	0	3	.000

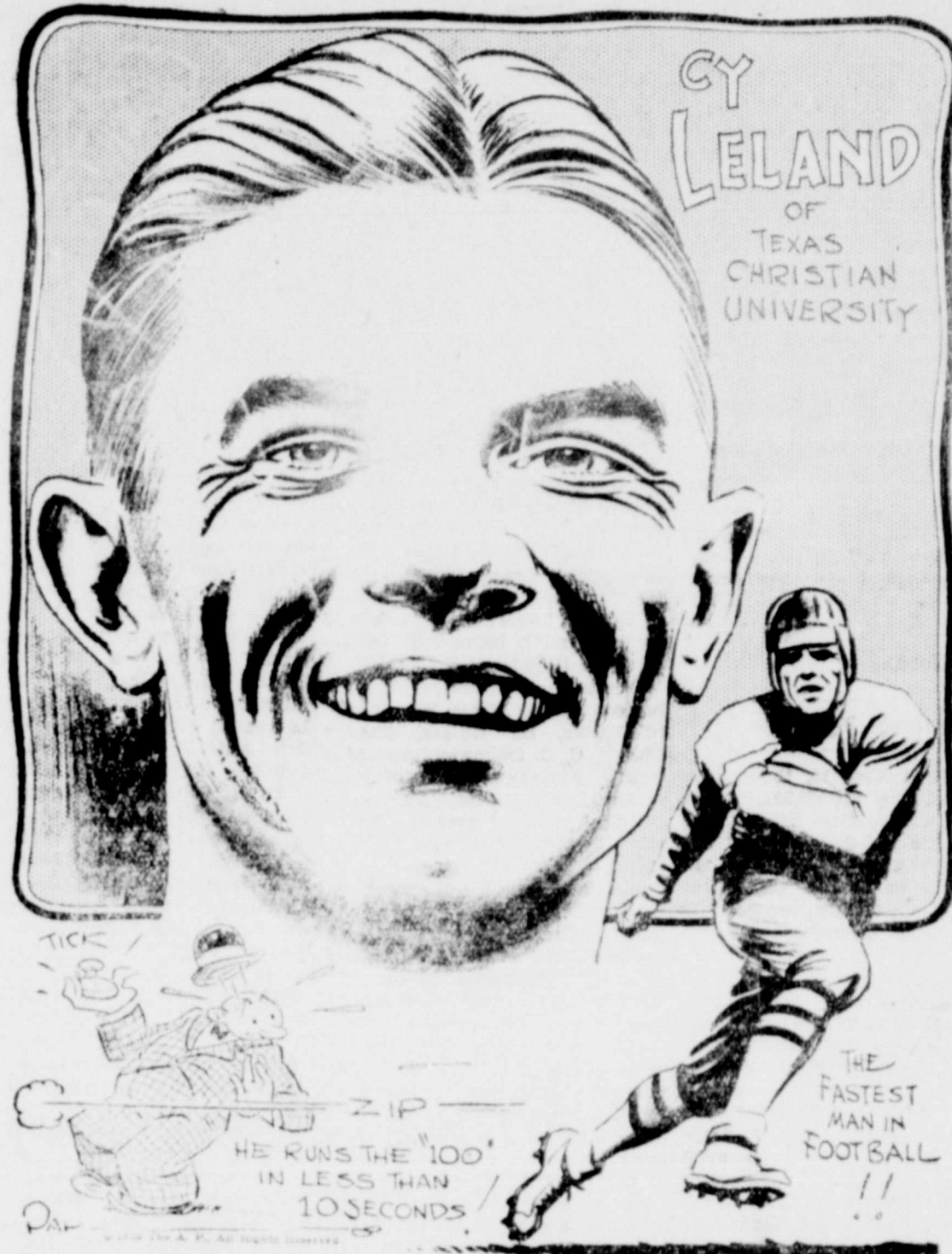
This week will see some important contests played in this district that may change the standing of the clubs. Winters will meet Eden this week-end at Brady in what will be their hardest conference game before getting to the Bearcats on November 21. Ballinger will fight the Santa Anna Mountaineers to keep a perfect record Friday. Richland Springs and Lampasas will be another important contest that may have a bearing on the standing in the eastern division.

The Bearcats will leave here at noon Friday for Santa Anna. The team needs transportation and every fan who can accompany the team and take several players in

his car is requested to notify H. S. Strain.

The Ballinger junior team will go to San Angelo Saturday to play a game with the junior team at that place. The game will be played at 12:30 as a preliminary to the Bobcat-Lobo game scheduled Saturday afternoon in Angelo.

The Bearcats are bruised and stiff this week but it is believed all men will be in shape for Friday's game. The injuries apparently are not serious but are slow to heal and the team will not be in the best of physical shape Friday, but able to cope with the Mountaineers it is thought.



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