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HEAVY RAIN IN PARTS OF COUNTY

Forecast—Tonight unsettled, somewhat colder; Tuesday generally fair.

From light showers in the Southern part of the county to two inches in the Northwest section of the county was the result of rainfall early Monday morning. The rain varied throughout the county, only light showers falling at Pony and other points Southeast of Ballinger, while at Wingate, Wilmett and in that portion of the county two inches were recorded. Winters reports one inch, Miles half an inch, Talpa half an inch, and approximately one-quarter of an inch fell in Ballinger and environs.

Following is the report from various points as compiled by the West Texas Telephone Company at 10:00 o'clock Monday morning. At that time the rain had let up, but was still threatening:

- Abilene .84
- Ballinger .20
- Benoit .25
- Blackwell, good rain
- Bradshaw 2 inches
- Brady .20
- Bronte .75
- Brownwood .08
- Coleman .31
- Concho, light shower
- Crews .50
- Eden, light shower
- Ft. Chadbourne .50
- Hatchel .50
- Leaday, light shower
- Maverick 1 inch
- Menard, light shower
- Miles .50
- Millersview, light shower
- Norton 1 inch
- Olfen .50
- Ovalo .875
- Paint Rock, light shower
- Rowena .30
- San Angelo .20
- Santa Anna, good rain
- Stacy, light shower
- Talpa .50
- Truitt .50
- Wilmett 2 inches
- Wingate 2 inches
- Winters 1 inch.

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OFFICERS KILLED IN PRISON RIOT

(By Associated Press) PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 11.—Two prison officers were shot to death, and a number of convicts were wounded, more or less seriously, today, in a riot at the Western penitentiary.

After hours of fighting, during which guns, tear gas bombs, clubs and bricks were used, the prison guards, assisted by the county detectives and Pittsburgh police force, succeeded in quelling the disturbance.

The trouble started when the convicts used explosives in an effort to dynamite their way to freedom. No prisoners made their escape. The dead are William Pieffer, assistant deputy warden; and J. A. Coax, overseer.

4 REPORTS ON NEW TAX BILL

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, February 11.—Four reports on the new revenue bill differing widely on the question of income surtax rates, were reported to the House today by members of the ways and means committee. The measure is expected to provide at least a month's debate in the House, where the change in rules will permit its amendment from the floor.

Chairman Green in reporting the majority report, declared that the income tax reductions provided for in one bill submitted would bring an annual saving to the tax payers estimated at \$341,440,000 after it is in full operation, together with an estimated reduction of \$232,750,000 in 1923 personal income taxes payable this year.

Sim Cottle returned home Sunday night from Austin, where he was called last week to attend the funeral of his mother, who died suddenly.

We regret to note that J. Keidel is quite ill at his home. Mr. Keidel is 74 years of age and one of the pioneers of Runnels county.

METHODIST TALK CHURCH BUILDING

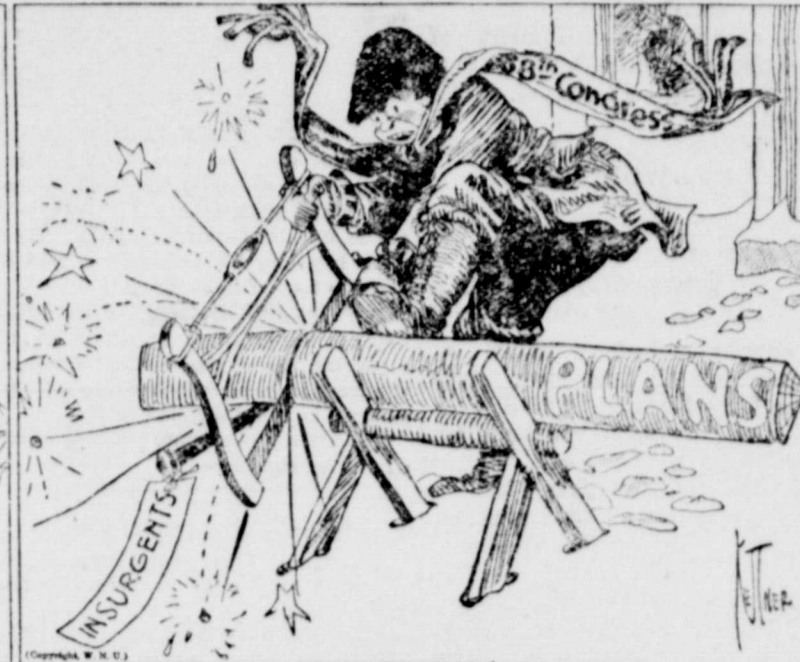
According to plans which are expected to take definite form at an early date, the Methodists of Ballinger will either remodel their present church building, or begin in the basement and construct a new building to cost in the neighborhood of \$40,000 or \$50,000.

The building program is the chief topic among the active members of the Methodist church of this city at this time, and while there are some who oppose razing the old building to make room for a new church home there are other aggressive members of the congregation who are opposed to wrecking the old building for remodeling. They say it is a new home or nothing for them.

Some of those who favor the construction of a new building have gone so far as to suggest that it would be wise to select a new location, where more room could be provided for a church court, etc. One prominent member has indicated, so the report goes, that he would subscribe \$5,000 to a building fund, provided the program covered a new building, and there are said to be quite a number of \$1,000 members, the Methodist church being perhaps the strongest church financially in the city.

The building program is under discussion among the Methodist folks, and a committee to draft plans will probably be created at an early date.

Struck a Nail



FORMER MAYOR HELD DEATH HERRIN OFFICER

M'ADOO BEFORE OIL COMMITTEE

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, February 11.—William Gibbs McAdoo, formerly secretary of the treasury, candidate for the Democratic nomination for president, appeared before the Senate oil investigating committee today and explained his professional relations with E. L. Doheny, the millionaire oil magnate of Teapot Dome infamy. Mr. McAdoo stated that his relations with Mr. Doheny were recently terminated, he having been retained by the year to represent Mr. Doheny's interests in Mexico and California. He declared that the relations were "in good faith, and had nothing to do with the leasing of the naval oil reserves."

Appearing before the committee at his own request because of the testimony given by Mr. Doheny as to his employment in connection with the oil matter, Mr. McAdoo declared, "I think it may fairly be presumed that if my name was not prominently mentioned in connection with a high office, my practice as a lawyer would be of no interest to this committee, or to the public."

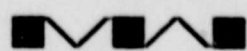
BARBER RETIRES AFTER 59 YEARS OF SHAVING

(By Associated Press) WEATHERFORD, Feb. 11.—Gus Jensen, barber, recently retired after a continuous service of 59 years, during which he estimates he did 300,000 shaves and 125,000 haircuts. He says he is unable to content himself in retirement, however, and is seriously contemplating taking up the shears and razor again. Jensen is 71 years old and has resided here the last 45 years.

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(By Associated Press)

HERRIN, Ill., Feb. 11.—Former Mayor A. T. Pace, was arrested today on a warrant charging murder after he had been sworn in as foreman of the coroner's jury to investigate the killing last Friday of Caesar Cagle, dry raid leader. Pace was charged in the warrant with complicity in Cagle's murder. Cagle was killed Saturday when trouble broke out between the wets and dries as result of raids made on illicit liquor makers by reputed members of the Ku Klux Klan, led by a prohibition enforcement officer who was in the Klan's pay. National guardsmen were rushed here late Saturday and are in control of the situation.

NEW MEN FOR AIR STATION

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, February 11.—Sweeping changes in the personnel of officers at the Lakehurst, New Jersey air station, and others assigned to the airship Shenandoah, including the relief of her commander, F. R. McCrary, have been made by Rear Admiral Moffett, chief of the naval aeronautical bureau. The changes have been approved by Secretary of the Navy Denby.

TO TEACH SCOUTING IN NORMAL SCHOOL

(By Associated Press) DENTON, Feb. 11.—Courses in scouting will be instituted in the North Texas State Teachers' College here next fall. The object is to meet the demand from various parts of the state for teachers who can take charge of scout work in the community, President Marquis said.

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REBELS LOSE 4000 IN DEAD AND WOUNDED

(By Associated Press) MEXICO CITY, Feb. 11.—(By radio to Fort Worth Star-Telegram)—Reports being received here from all sectors of the Western Mexican front announce a tremendous victory by the federals over the rebels at Octotlan, in the state of Jalisco.

The government troops drove the insurrectionists out of positions that were considered impregnable, and later reported that an advance had been made to Poncitlan, where the next important engagement is expected to be staged.

The reports say that the rebel losses in dead and wounded are estimated at four thousand, and say that the rebels lost at least one thousand more by desertions. The defeat was the worst the de la Huerta faction has suffered on the Western front since the revolution was organized several months ago.

VERA CRUZ, Feb. 11.—Federal troops of the Mexican government arrived at Vera Cruz this morning, and immediately took possession of the city which was recently evacuated by the rebels.

AMBULANCE TO HAUL WOMAN TO THE POLLS

(By Associated Press) TEXARKANA, Feb. 11.—Mrs. Lynn B. Davis, wife of the principal of the Texarkana high school, believes in exercising her right of suffrage at any cost. When a municipal election was held lately she was in a hospital following an operation for appendicitis. But she did not let this keep her from voting. She summoned an ambulance, rode to the voting place, cast her ballot and returned to the hospital.

U. G. Thomas, of the Marie section, was trading in Ballinger Saturday.

HERO WHO WENT AFTER BERGDOLL ARRIVES AT HOME

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Corliss Griffis, of Hamilton, Ohio, who was released recently from prison in Mosbach, Germany, after serving part of the sentence imposed upon him by the German government for complicity in the plot to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, millionaire draft evader, arrived home today. He was given a reception at the City Hall when he landed here.

J. T. Russell was in the city from the Winters section Monday. Mr. Russell says the rain was appreciated in his territory, and about one inch fell.

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The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to the use for republication of all news dispatches credited to it or otherwise credited in this paper and also to local news published herein.

A little bit of rain added to what we've already had will make a big crop—or help to do it.

E. P. Scarborough, former Ballinger man, two times mayor of Coleman, is candidate for a third term.

Robert Lee has just organized a chamber of commerce with seventy-eight members. There are no sleepy towns in West Texas.

In addition to the grand jury finding a dozen bills against bootleggers in Coleman county, officers of that county captured a copper coil near Novice last week and confiscated 100 gallons of mash South of Talpa. But perhaps Coleman will claim an alibi and say the stuff is to fill orders from her neighbors.

The Ledger is carrying advertisements from the low lands of Louisiana and from the staked plains of the Panhandle in which the advertisers are calling for homeseekers. It is an opportunity for the disgruntled of Runnels county to choose between two extremes. However most everybody here seems to be well pleased with the happy medium.

Brownwood has acquired an option on ninety-seven acres of land for a fair grounds, and has on foot a move to organize a county fair association. Ballinger is not as large as Brownwood and may not acquire as much land for a fair park, but Runnels is a better county than Brown, and will compete with the bayou town when it comes to putting on the fall show.

ADVERTISE FOR NAME FOR THEIR BABY GIRL

(By Associated Press)
HOWE, Tex., Feb. 11.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Higginbotham of this town recently became the parents of a fine baby girl. But a serious question arose: What to name her?
They could not decide the question themselves, so they called on their neighbors. They then inserted a request in a newspaper for a fitting name for the new member of their household, agreeing to make a selection from among the first ten names submitted.

FIRE LIT 21 YEARS AGO STILL DOING ITS DUTY

(By Associated Press)
HANDLEY, Tex., Feb. 11.—A fire that was ignited 21 years ago and has burned continuously since supplies power for the operation of Fort Worth street cars and interurban cars running between Ft. Worth and Dallas and Ft. Worth and Cleburne. It burns under the boilers of the Northern Texas Traction Company power plant here, consuming 400 barrels of oil a day, the total production of an average oil well. The plant generates 2,000,000 kilowatt hours of electricity a month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- For Tax Collector: W. L. BROWN
- For Tax Assessor: HENRY TODD MIKE C. BOYD
- For Sheriff: J. P. FLYNT R. E. McWILLIAMS
- For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMIE
- For County Treasurer: MRS. JENNIE KIRK
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1.: R. J. DEENS
- For County Clerk: W. A. FORGEY
- For District Clerk: Miss—GEORGIA SINGLETARY
- For State Senate (25th Dist.): WALTER C. WOODWARD (of Coleman)
- For Representative, (92nd Dist.): O. R. SIMS (of Concho County)

Praise-Criticism-Suggestions-Contributions
Letters to the Editor

Editor Ledger,
Ballinger, Texas:

T. U. Taylor, dean of the engineering department of the University of Texas, is giving wide publicity to alleged siltage conditions at the Austin dam. This is doubtless for the purpose of discrediting the statewide move for water conservation, as this move is opposed by Mr. Taylor and also Mr. Stiles of the Reclamation Department. If fact, these two gentlemen are the only ones out of the 250 Texas engineers who met with Governor Noff in 1929 who are not favorable toward the move.

To fully understand the siltage conditions at the Austin dam, it is first necessary to know that this is a CHANNEL dam, and that Lake Austin for the first several miles above the dam does not average more than one-third of a mile in width. Also, Lake Austin drains 35,000 square miles of watershed and naturally accumulates a large amount of silt.

For the benefit of those who fear that the same condition would prevail in the proposed reservoir on the Colorado in Coke county it should be stated that this reservoir only a short distance above the dam will be nearly four miles wide, and maintains a high average width for several miles up stream. Also, it drains only about 5,000 square miles of water shed.

As the proposed Coke county lake would be 10 times as large as Lake Austin, and drains only 1.7th as much territory, it can be seen that it would silt up only 1.70th as fast. In fact, the government engineers state that at a very conservative estimate, the dam in 135 years would lose only one-half of its capacity. Even this condition, of course, could be remedied by the use of properly constructed sluice gates.

In the construction of the Elephant Butte dam, the engineers figured that siltage would seriously impair the usefulness of that project in 85 years. A careful check has been kept on siltage conditions there, and the engineers now revise their estimates and state that siltage will not affect that reservoir for 235 years.

A further element in favor of the Coke county reservoir is that a large part of its water shed lies in the hills and mountains and ranch country, while the greater part of the water shed adjacent to the Austin dam is in the intensively cultivated section of Central Texas.

STUART L. WILLIAMS,
President, Texas Conservation Association.

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OFFICERS FIND 65 FOOT COPPER COIL

A copper coil, two inches in diameter and 65 feet long, was captured by Deputy Sheriff Teal of Novice, late Sunday afternoon, following a search of several hours. The officer has known for some time that a still was being operated in the Novice country.

The coil was found in a secluded spot on Rough Creek, some few miles from town. The boiler and other equipment had been moved.—Coleman Times.

R. H. Crockett, of the Norton country, was among the Saturday visitors in Ballinger last Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Hadden came down from San Angelo Saturday afternoon for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cline.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of Abilene, spent Sunday with their parents in Ballinger. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith and Mr. and Mrs. John Pechacek.

W. F. Weathersby returned home Sunday from Dallas, where he had been buying goods for Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Crews, of San Angelo, were here Sunday to visit C. R. Crews and family and attend the funeral of Bobbie McGregor.

The Nerve of Him

Mrs. Hoodlum—Sure an' the land-lord dirted this mornin'.
Mr. Hoodlum—Wot? Wid you?
Mrs. Hoodlum—Naw, wid death. He had the nerve to ask me for the rent, and us only four month's bettict.

A small want ad in The Daily Ledger often saves you money.

Radio Used by Police

When the telephone was perfected it was considered a valuable ally of the police in apprehending escaping criminals, but the automobile has largely spoiled its usefulness. One person can only phone to one place at one time, while a hand in an automobile may be going elsewhere in any direction. Police departments are now adopting printing telegraphs and the radio as a supplement to the phone. Outlying and suburban police stations are equipped with receiving apparatus, and one operator at the central station can flash the description of the fleeing criminal in all directions instantly, laying down a barrage of publicity through which it is more difficult to escape.

He Was Game

There was a very pretty nurse passing in and out. The patient eyed her with admiration. By way of a pleasantry the doctor said: "Be a good boy and I'll prescribe a kiss for you at four o'clock."
But at four o'clock an extremely homely nurse came on duty, as the physician knew she would. However, the next day he ventured to ask the patient how things had gone.
"I took my medicine," briefly reported the young man.

Boy's Funny Ideas

"A palmist," wrote a youngster, "is a woman who uses her hand instead of her slipper."
"The difference between an elephant and a microbe," wrote another, "is that an elephant carries a trunk and a microbe carries the grip."

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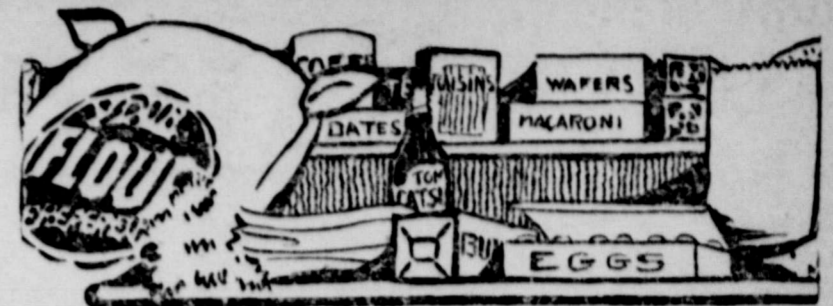
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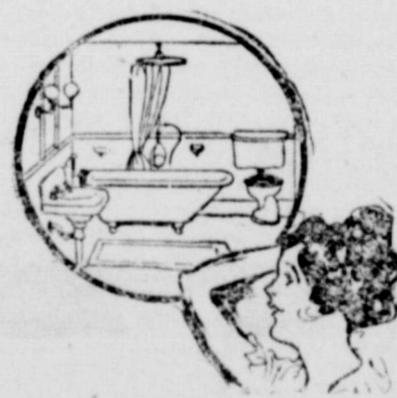
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COURT UPHOLDS PATENT SALE

U. S. Suit Against Chemical Foundation Dismissed by Judge Morris.

CONSPIRACY CHARGE FAILS

Conduct of Chemical Foundation Praised in Use of Former German Patents for Benefit of American People.

Wilmington, Del.—In a sixty-two page decision which swept away every one of the Government's major contentions as being without basis in fact or law, Federal Judge Hugh M. Morris dismissed its suit to set aside the sale of seized chemical and dye patents by the Allen Property Custodian to the Chemical Foundation, Inc.

The decision rebuked the Government for including in the bill of complaint a series of conspiracy charges unsupported by evidence at the trial and refuted by the defense as well as by documents filed by the Government.

In declining to compel the Foundation to restore the disputed patents, numbering some 4,700 and bought for \$271,000, from the Government, Judge Morris held there was no evidence bearing out allegation of a conspiracy by American manufacturers to effect a monopoly through the Foundation. The court ruled that there was no evidence of fraud or deceit practiced on President Wilson, Mr. Polk, Under Secretary of State, Attorney General Palmer and other high officials of that Administration.

Garvan's Course Upheld

The opinion praised Francis P. Garvan, president of the Foundation, and its trustees, as having met the most severe of tests in their conduct of the Foundation—"the test of actual trial." They were declared by the court to afford, through their high integrity and unquestioned patriotism, a thorough assurance of loyalty to their trust. "It has kept the faith," said the court of the Foundation's work.

Judge Morris found without merit the Government's contention that the criminal laws were violated in that Mr. Garvan, as Allen Property Custodian and thereby a public trustee, sold to himself as president of the Foundation the patents in question. He had acted by direction of President Wilson and his acts, supervised by the President under the latter's wide war powers granted by Congress, could not be brought to court. Congress had not delegated legislative powers to President Wilson, as maintained by the plaintiff, and the courts could not pass judgment on the wisdom or lack of wisdom of Presidential war acts.

Judge Morris recited that although Colonel Thomas R. Miller, present Custodian, who had approved two of the sales involved, verified the complaint, in his testimony he admitted that he could not enumerate any of the facts alleged to have been withheld and suppressed from him.

"In view of this testimony and the obvious fact that the power to charge persons with fraud and conspiracy is a weapon with which serious remedial injury may be done to innocent persons if such charges are lightly made, it is difficult to understand why the specific charges to which the foregoing testimony relates were made," wrote the court. "Yet the remaining like charges were equally lacking in evidential support. In fact, at the argument, the plaintiff seemed no longer to press these charges against the persons alleged to be conspirators, but it sought to have the charges sustained as against the officers of the Government who formulated and carried out in the public interest the plan of sale."

While I Know of No Case Where by Implication of Law the Duty of Clearing Itself from Imputed Fraud Rests upon the Defendant, yet the Defendant has met even this burden.

While the Trading With the Enemy Act at first merely authorized custodianship of German properties in this country, it was later amended, recalled the court, to give power of sale under such conditions as the President, in the public interest, should determine upon. In effect, this made the President, as agent of the nation, possessed of powers as broad as though he were absolute owner of the seized properties. Under the provisions of the act the President was empowered to make any conditions of sale he considered necessary in the circumstances.

quires the President to consider the public interest. Public interest is not a synonym for money."

In this relation Judge Morris quoted from President Coolidge's message to Congress on the Muscle Shoals problem, that "while the price is an important element, there is another consideration even more compelling... If this main object (low-priced nitrates for farmers in peace and the Government in war) is accomplished, the amount of money received for the property is not a primary or major consideration."

Referring to German-owned property, the court said: "Much of this property was not innocently held or held solely for trade and commerce. Information acquired by German-owned companies had been transmitted to Berlin, and there indexed and made available to German competitors and the German Government. The files of one company were filled not with business papers, but with pan-German literature. It was a distribution centre for propaganda in this country."

Upholds Confiscation of Patents

Judge Morris pointed out that when America entered the war she adhered to the international convention forbidding poison gas, "but it soon became apparent that America would be fighting on disastrously unequal terms unless she should make use of all the dread weapons being used against her by the foe. When Germany persisted in her attempts to destroy her opponents with poison gas in contravention of all international agreements, she made it manifest that America's future safety lay in America's chemical independence. The amendment to the act was passed in the darkest days of the war (following the sale of seized properties). It was thought Paris was about to fall and the Channel ports be taken. These were the circumstances, said the opinion, which impelled Congress to grant the President the broad powers of almost absolute ownership. It was the intent of Congress to subordinate mere property rights to the welfare of the nation."

Of the value of the patents sold, Judge Morris held, in accordance with the testimony, that while Dr. Carl Holderman, a German, asserted the Haber patents were worth \$17,000,000 to the Germans, "the evidence is overwhelming that they were and are without substantial affirmative value to American citizens. Had these patents been sold to Americans at public rather than private sale and only the net proceeds paid to their former enemy owners these owners would have suffered an almost total loss in the value of their property."

Praises Work of Foundation

As to allegations that the sale was not to obtain a fair value, but to promote the interests of the chemical and dye industries and that the transaction was in legal effect granting a subsidy to private industry, the court commented, "this challenge to the motives of the officers making the sale is supported, I think, neither by the facts nor the law. Mr. Polk determined the public interest would be best served by a wide use of the inventions covered by the patents. If the property was sold under terms and conditions that assured it being devoted to the public use it matters not what benefits or detriments may have flowed as incidents therefrom."

"The property is in the keeping of men who have in its management no selfish interest to serve and whose devotion to the public interest has been established," continued the opinion. "No better plan for devoting the property to public use has been suggested. The plan has stood the most severe of all tests—actual trial. The defendant has kept the faith. This it has done, not only by granting licenses in furtherance of the purposes for which it was chartered, but also at its great expense, by distribution of books and pamphlets showing the national necessity for practical development of chemical science in America. If, perchance, those heretofore engaged in the industries have derived an incidental advantage from the plan, that incidental result cannot invalidate a transaction lawfully consummated in the public interest. The same charge would lie against the validity of every tariff act."

The sale was in effect to America and its citizens, not to those then engaged in chemical and allied industries."

Judge Morris ruled that if the executives entrusted by Congress with power of sale acted within the scope of that power "their acts are not subject to judicial nullification or review, invasion by the courts to determine whether the public interest required the property be sold otherwise than under the statutory conditions prescribed and to set aside the sale should the judgment of the court be different from that of the President would be a judicial nullification not only of the President's act but also of the act of Congress conferring on the President the power to determine what the public interests required. What the public interest requires depends upon the conditions existing in the nation. Courts do not understand the 'state of the Union' and as I apprehend, are not equipped to ascertain it. . . . The statement of the reasons actuating the President does not make his act any the less an act of discretion. It is conceded the President cannot be brought into court to substantiate his reasons. The statute does not require him to disclose to the purchaser the evidence upon which his reasons were based. The statute does not limit the Executive in the assignment of reasons to such as may be supported by legal evidence or by facts available to the public."

Movies

TEARS, THRILLS, AND LAUGHTER IN "DADDY"



Sir A. Conan Doyle, creator of "Sherlock Holmes" stories, visiting with Jackie Coogan when the little Metro star was making "Long Live the King" for Metro.

Jackie Coogan in "Daddy," the First National picture which opened this afternoon at the Maero Theatre, reveals the undiminished power of this brilliant star to appeal to all classes and ages and both sexes. He has a vehicle that appeals with equal force to every member of the family from staid, sedate grandpa to irrepressible Bill or Jack or Mary. Humor, pathos, blithe merriment and prankish boyhood tricks follow one another across the silver sheet, evoking tears, laughter, thrills and chuckles at the will of this great little actor.

Indeed there is one scene in the picture in which little Jackie seems to be, as has been claimed for him by eminent critics, the greatest actor, regardless of age, in the American theatre. It is where the forlorn boy loses the protecting fatherhood of his foster "daddy" (played with exquisite finish by Cesare Gravini), and finds his real "daddy" whom he has not seen since his tiny babyhood.

E. Mason Hopper's directorial genius has brought out the best in each member of the supporting cast. Cesare Gravini in the role of the improvident, lovable musician is a revelation on the screen, fraught with the tenderest beauty, yet not devoid either of energy or masculine dignity. Paul Savelli is the role played with distinction and force by Arthur Carewe. As the struggling violinist and later as the triumphant virtuoso, he is at once graceful, dignified and eloquent. Bert Woodruff as Evan Holden in the sympathetic hands humor. No calamity robs this old farmer of his twinkling sense of humor, and the role of Mrs. Holden in the sympathetic hands of Anna Townsend is no less effective. In cast, photography, plot and result, Jackie's newest picture is worthy of its distinguished predecessors, "Oliver Twist," "Peck's Bad Boy," and "Trouble."

BOSTON BLACKIE TALE AT THE FO-TO SHO

A Jack Boyle story, one of the famous Boston Blackie tales, widely read throughout the world, has been made into an entertaining photoplay which opened this afternoon at the Fo-to-sho Theatre.

It is "Crooked Alley," and the story is a vivisection of the heart of a criminal leader, with the results strongly in favor of him. The heart is found to have considerable of the human element in it. The original title of the widely read story was "The Daughter of Crooked Alley," and the "Daughter" and "Crooked Alley" are both in the story.

Boston Blackie, for the information of those who never read the Jack Boyle stories, is a master criminal leader of exceptional cleverness. In the story of "Crooked Alley" he comes face to face with the biggest problem of his life: the handling of a young lady. She is the daughter of Dan Tyrell, notorious criminal now in the penitentiary, and she needs protection.

Bracey, Albert Hart, Lillian Worth, Joseph Dowling, Frederick Stanton and others.

Miss La Plante follows the success she met opposite Hoot Gibson in "Out of Luck" and "The Ramblin' Kid," with a performance which will enhance the standing carefully built up by her in the past two years. Thomas Carrigan is admirably repressed and free from exaggeration.

G. P. Teague, who has been quite ill at his home in West End, was reported to be some better Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Q. McAdams, of Winters, were visiting relatives in Ballinger Sunday afternoon.



ALICE TERRY
The beautiful heroine of Rex Ingram's "Scaramouche" who is now with Mr. Ingram, her husband, in Africa.

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The Strain-Pyburn Drug Co. has recently installed a Nizer ice cream cabinet, manufactured by the Freezo Co., and which dispenses with the use of ice in preserving ices and similar products at a low temperature. The machine, a four packer size, has a range in temperature of from 3 degrees above to 13 degrees above zero, and never runs higher than 13 above. An automatic switch controls a motor which forces circulation of cold brine around the packers, thus insuring perfect condition for sherbets, ice creams and ices. The machine is an innovation in that it is automatically controlled and it is not necessary to watch it to prevent a higher temperature than will keep cream right.

PROVIDES SUBSTANTIAL BOX FOR THE LEDGER

Lee Butler, manager of the local Texas oil company station, will receive his Daily Ledger regularly. Mr. Butler acted on the suggestion recently made by The Ledger to guarantee good delivery service, and went just a little stronger than The Ledger suggested. He went to a tin shop and had a substantial box made and attached to an iron stake which he planted near the sidewalk. This guarantees the subscriber against loss of his paper when a high wind is blowing. Papers will blow away during the windy weather when they are thrown in the yard.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Karmony returned home Monday at noon from Dallas, where Mrs. Karmony went to purchase goods for Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

It pays to advertise.

MILES BOY PREACHER ROUNDS OUT A YEAR

(By Associated Press)
MILES, Feb. 11.—J. N. Tidwell, 12 years old, has just rounded out his first year as an evangelist. On the occasion of his first ministerial anniversary, he preached a stirring sermon on salvation at the Baptist church here.

During the year the boy preacher has delivered more than 100 sermons from nearly 50 different pulpits, has spoken in college chapels and one seminary, has addressed the Baptist church at its state convention, has assisted in six protracted meetings and has witnessed more than 100 professions of faith as a result of his work. He is a student at Howard Payne College at Brownwood.

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REGINALD BARKER
The man who made "The Eternal Struggle," "Pleasure Mad" and who is now at work on "Women Who Wait." All three are Metro pictures.

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It is probably no exaggeration to say that the Isle of Man is the most popular holiday island in the world.

The Isle of Wight is what the house of lords is to the house of commons, when compared with Manxland.

But the Isle of Wight has a popular side, as the fronts at Ryde, Sandown, Ventnor and even Cowes itself can prove.

The Channel Islands belong to Britain, although they lie nearer to France, and their visiting list is correspondingly international.

Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney and Sark, not forgetting the tiny island of Herm, which belongs to an English novelist, are all gems set in the sea.

Then there is Anglesey, the only island which is also a county of England and Wales. Most people know Anglesey only as the first bit on the way from Holyhead to London.

NITRATE DESERT AIDS WORLD

Desolate Region in Plateau Country of Chile Is Source of Famous Soda Commodity.

In the high plateau country of Chile, between the coast ranges and the Andes, lies a desert which is one of the driest spots on earth.

And yet this desert has been for a century a primary support of human life in the civilized world, says the Nation's Business.

This unique desert is the source of the famous Chilean nitrate of soda—a commodity which is at present the subject of a special investigation being made at the behest of congress by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

The nitrate situation and the investigation of it are significant not only because of the importance of wider use of such valuable fertilizing agents as nitrate of soda, and of as cheap a supply as possible, but also because factors controlling the supply of nitrates are typical of those that affect a number of other raw materials which are indispensable to civilized countries.

Rich Folk Enjoy Nickel Cops.

It is a well-known fact that there is something about summer and summer vacations that compels even the most dignified to shake off some of their inhibitions and enjoy themselves in ways they would scorn in other seasons, says the New York Sun and Globe.

Their Little Spat.

She—If we were married and divorced, would you object to my marrying again?
He—Why, not at all.
She—You talk in such a heartless manner.
He—Well, why should I have sympathy for a fellow I don't even know?

Wayside Episode.

"He is using terrible language."
"He is, indeed."
"What's the matter with the car?"
"Something wrong with the condenser, I think."

Free Tea.

"Why is Cholly sniffing the air as he goes along?"
"Oh, he's a tea hound. He'll soon make a find."

Home Tragedy.

"This is a likely shoe polish you have discovered."
"Hey, take that blacking brush out of my home brew."

WINTERS NEWS ITEMS

Special to The Ledger:

WINTERS, Feb. 9.—Winters' school, like a typical school 'kid' has again outgrown its clothes, and citizens of Winters, under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association held a rousing banquet for the purpose of determining ways and means of correcting the difficulties.

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J. W. Monroe, president of the school board, spoke next and presented a carefully prepared estimate of \$30,000 as necessary for proper maintenance for next year.

Bert E. Low had made a careful visit to neighboring schools and with much feeling and earnestness urged co-operation in securing the best for our boys and girls.

Mrs. Ed. P. Eason pointed out that citizens of Winters are now paying over \$28,000 a year as expenses in maintaining their pupils in colleges and universities, and urged to consider the great value of young life and to rise to the condition that would make the home school second to none.

Dr. Dixon read a carefully prepared paper which pointed out the way to secure the good conditions required. He showed the progress of the town and suggested the building of a Ward school in West Winters and the devotion of the entire old school building to High School work, and it to be equipped fully.

Rev. H. H. Stevens then spoke and with much earnestness urged the application of the spirit for greater things, and counselled immediate action, and even threatened a collection.

Jno. Q. McDams was to suggest the remedy for our scholastic ills. He showed that the difficulties were of two characters: one of defective morals and the other, financial. The former was of most importance and dependent on the moral support and co-operation of the citizenship with the work of the school and the latter was simply adequate financial support.

Luther Owens, O. A. Stroth, Mayor Spangler, and E. A. Shepperd made short appropriate talks when called by the chair.

The banquet was a booming success. The speeches were pointed and replete with historic illustrations and choice humor. The spread was of the four course variety and one of the best. To the president of the Parent-Teacher Association, Mrs. T. V. Jennings, and Mrs. Luther Owens, chairman of the social committee, belong the credit of leading in the undertaking, and a great number of ladies assisted in making the success attained.

A committee is to be appointed

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to draft ways and means for the correction of the difficulties.

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DEATHS

Mrs. Laura E. Hughes, age 57 years, wife of J. F. Hughes, of Bradshaw, died at the sanitarium in Ballinger Monday morning at 10:15, after an illness of some time. Deceased was brought here for treatment on January 28th, but all that could be done failed to stay the hand of death.

The husband and daughter, Mrs. Johnson, of Bradshaw, were at the bedside of Mrs. Hughes when she passed out of this life, and accompanied the remains to Bradshaw Monday afternoon.

The remains were prepared for burial by the King-Holt Undertaking department, and shipped to Bradshaw Monday, where the funeral will be held and interment made in Bluff Creek Cemetery.

M. Z. Cohron

T. S. Lankford received a letter from Mrs. G. M. Waggoner, of Terrell, Monday, announcing the death of Mrs. Waggoner's father, M. Z. Cohron, at Terrell, Mr. Cohron died at Terrell on Feb. 6th, according to the letter, death coming suddenly, the man being ill only about thirty minutes.

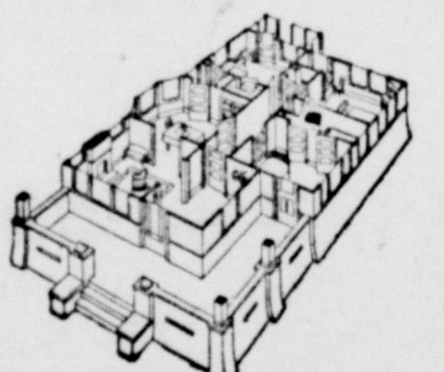
Mr. Cohron formerly lived near Ballinger, residing on a place which Mr. Lankford owned. He has many acquaintances and friends here who will regret to hear of his death. The widow of deceased is with her daughter, Mrs. G. M. Waggoner, 609 W. Moore Ave., Terrell.

Card of Thanks

In giving notice to our neighbors and friends, words fail to express our appreciation for the kindness, aid and sympathy shown our beloved wife and mother, through her long journey of suffering. We can only say that we are thankful to all who helped us in any way.

T. J. Middlebrook and Children 11-1td

Miss Opal Turner, who had been visiting her brother, A. W. Turner, left Sunday for her home at Willsboro, Texas.



MILES NEWS NOTES

Special to The Ledger:

MILES, Feb. 9.—Miles and San Angelo basket ball boys played here Friday afternoon for the bi-county championship. The game was hotly contested, but Miles outplayed her opponents in every department of the game.

Miles' line-up is: Noble Curry, Maurice Reichert, forwards; Nealy Talbott, center; Earnest Coleman, Clyde Roach, guards; Mr. Medley, of McMurry College, Abilene, referee.

Millersview, Concho county basket ball boys defeated Bronte, Coke county boys in a snappy game on the Miles court by a score of 14 to 8, Friday afternoon, entitling Concho to championship over Coke.

Miss Jessie Wallis, of Rowena, was here Friday en route to her home from Sterling City, where she had been visiting friends.

J. A. Freeman was up from Ballinger Friday transacting business.

Jun Hale was a visitor here from Tenmyson Friday afternoon. Frank Morton, of Houston, is here on business.

J. A. Tyler and daughter, Miss Nettie, were San Angelo visitors Saturday.

Among Ballinger visitors Friday were: Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Farmer, Mrs. Jack Mitchell, Mrs. S. E. Willis.

J. T. Percifull is here from Bronte for a month's stay.

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IN San Antonio Gunter Hotel

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF LITTLE BOBBIE MCGREGOR

Antonio Saturday at noon after an illness of a week or more, pneumonia being the direct cause of death.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and the remains were laid to rest in the McGregor burial grounds in Evergreen Cemetery. The little casket was buried under a bank of flowers, a large floral offering coming with the body from friends at San Antonio.

The bereaved parents, grandparents, and other relatives have the sympathy of their many friends in the trying hours through which they are passing. Join the Y. M. B. L. and help build Ballinger.



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