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HESPERIAN TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING

BRITISH PASSENGER VESSEL CARRIED 650 PERSONS, ALL OF WHOM ARE SAVED

VESSEL REMAINED AFLOAT

United State Consul at Queenstown Says Hesperian Carried One 47-Inch Mounted Gun.

London.—The Allan line steamer Hesperian, 10,320 tons, with 350 passengers and a crew of 300 aboard, was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland, and from Liverpool to Montreal, was attacked without warning by a German submarine off the Irish coast. The vessel was falling Saturday evening, although the torpedo struck her in the afternoon. The vessel remained afloat, and according to a statement made by the company every soul on board was saved.

No submarine was seen and probably it was too dark to observe the torpedo, but all the passengers and members of the crew who were rescued by the British ship agreed that the attack was made by a German submarine, taking their opinion on the matter of the shock and the great volume of water thrown into the air. The force of the explosion was tremendous and of the passengers landed at Queenstown, many of them were injured, about 20 were killed. There were no American passengers on board, but two members of the crew were American citizens and they were both saved.

About 20 Canadian soldiers who had been wounded in battle in Flanders were going home to recuperate. Most of the other passengers were Canadians returning from a visit to England or English people on their way to Canada to settle.

The torpedo struck the Hesperian in the forward engine room and the ship immediately began to settle by the head. Captain Main ordered the passengers and crew into the boats and with his officers remained on the deck "although at that time he must have felt sure his ship would go down.

The discipline was perfect, but one of the boats capsized and those in it were thrown into the water. In the darkness confusion naturally prevailed, but all were picked up and 25 other passengers and the crew were transferred to the rescue steamer which arrived in answer to wireless for assistance. The Hesperian was 150 miles to the westward when it was struck.

Hesperian Carries One Mounted Gun. Washington.—A cablegram from American Consul Frost at Queenstown to the state department announcing the torpedoing of the Allan line Hesperian said the liner carried mounted and visible on her deck a 47-inch rifle.

Little Excitement Caused in London. London.—London learned of the torpedoing of the Hesperian through a Sunday newspaper which issued an article containing the meager details sent by the news agencies from Queenstown.

Appended to the details was the statement credited to the Allan line at Liverpool to the effect that all the passengers and crew had been saved. The news aroused no excitement comparable with the loss by torpedoing of the Lusitania and Arabic.

Auto Kills Little Girl at Fort Worth. Fort Worth, Texas.—Lena Milligan, aged 10 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Milligan, was struck by an automobile and instantly killed at Twenty-First and North Main streets Sunday night. Shortly after the accident Harry Knowles, manager of the Terminal hotel, came to the central police station and told the sergeant that he was driving the car that struck the girl. He explained that the had gone to a telephone and called one of the ambulances that made the run from the city.

Plenty of Money in U. S. Treasury. Washington.—The United States treasury is in excellent condition and there is no present prospect that the administration will issue bonds or short-term notes to fill its coffers, according to a statement by Secretary McAdoo, who said, "It is too soon to talk about revenue legislation. I don't know what the estimates will be." He added, however, that it seemed probable that congress would be asked to extend the period of operation of the emergency tax beyond Dec. 31, its present limit.

London Press on Submarine Talk. London.—London newspapers, while recognizing that President Wilson has secured an important concession from Germany with regard to submarine warfare, express the belief that the president will not be content with it but from the point of view Secretary Lansing's note to von Behmann-Hollweg, the German secretary of state, expresses his satisfaction over the improved outlook of the situation.

ROBERT GALBREATH



Robert Galbreath, Democratic national committee chairman from Tulsa, Okla., recently breezed into Washington and started a life-sized boom for Dallas, Tex., as the next Democratic national convention city.

TWO AMERICANS KILLED BY BANDITS

BAND OF 30 OR 40 DRUNKEN MEXICAN KIDNAP THREE NEAR BROWNSVILLE.

Brownsville, Texas.—A band of drunken Mexican bandits, 12 miles north of here Thursday kidnaped three Americans, killed two of them and burned the pump-house under construction on an irrigated tract. One band finally became engaged in a fight with American soldiers and a posse of citizens, lost one of their number who was shot through the head, and had another wounded in the hand. The dead men, whose bodies were brought into Brownsville, were Earl Donaldson, 27 years old, a farmer who moved to this section two weeks ago from Fayette, Mo., and a concrete worker named Smith, residing at San Benito. The third man was Stanley Dodds, concrete contractor, who escaped from the Mexicans while the gang that had him engaged in the fight.

Dodds and Smith were taken while engaged in construction work on a canal system. Donaldson was taken from his farm near by. The three men were forced to accompany the gang of bandits along the irrigation, where the Mexicans decided to kill them. Donaldson and Smith were shot, their bodies being almost riddled with bullets. Dodds' escape was nothing short of miraculous. One member of the gang interceded in his behalf, telling the others that Dodds was a German. They took his shoes and hat.

The two bodies were thrown into a saraca, or dried lake bed, and Dodds was forced to accompany the gang along the irrigation canal to a point where Perry Clark, land-clear contractor and dredger, was working a gang of Mexican laborers. Clark and his laborers were forced to clear out after Clark was shot at a number of times, but not hit.

Up to this time the Mexicans, who numbered between 30 and 40 men, had few mounts. They took possession of 24 horses and mules belonging to Clark's outfit, but six of these were recovered during the fight later by a posse of citizens and officers.

Possibly 400 U. S. cavalrymen and infantrymen have been spread through the section infested by the Mexicans, who seem now to be scattered in three or four gangs. They are hidden in the brush that is almost impenetrable.

Attempt to Wreck Train?

Gary, Ind.—What was believed to be an attempt to wreck a train carrying gun cotton to the forces of the allies in Europe was revealed when it was discovered that the plates holding two rails had been removed a short distance from the Aetna Powder works. It was said, however, that the munitions were packed in water jackets and would not have exploded even if the rails had been ditched.

July Exports \$267,978,990.

Washington.—Exports of the products of American farms and factories in July, valued at \$267,978,990, were the greatest ever recorded in that month, the department of commerce announced. The nearest approach was made in July, 1913, when American shipments abroad reached \$169,990,778. The trade balance for the month was \$124,879,370, compared with a balance of \$21,829,008 in July, 1913. One year ago exports were less than imports by more than \$5,000,000.

GERMANY ACCEPTS DEMANDS OF U. S.

PROMISES TO SINK NO MORE PASSENGER SHIPS WITHOUT WARNING.

REPLY TO LUSITANIA NOTE

"It Appears to be a Recognition of the Principles for Which We Have Been Contending."—Lansing.

Washington.—Strained relations between the United States and Germany over submarine warfare apparently have passed into history after Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, informed Secretary Lansing in writing that prior to the sinking of the Arabic his government had decided that its submarines should sink no more liners without warning.

Oral assurances to this effect had been given by the ambassador last week. But it was not until Count von Bernstorff after a call at the state department Wednesday returned to the embassy and sent a letter to Mr. Lansing quoting instructions from Berlin concerning an answer to be made to the last American note on the sinking of the Lusitania that officials frankly admitted their gratification over the changed position of the imperial government.

Secretary Lansing said in a formal statement that the letter "appears to be a recognition of the fundamental principles for which we have contended." He immediately sent the communication to the White House and discussed it in cheerful vein with his callers. Everywhere in administration circles there was a visible relaxation of the tension which had existed ever since the Lusitania tragedy, though lessened by the earlier assurances of Count von Bernstorff and the attitude of officials in Berlin.

The next step, it is said authoritatively, will be a formal communication from the German government disavowing the destruction of the Arabic and tendering regret and reparation for American lives lost in the disaster if the attack was made by a German submarine. Even if the submarine which torpedoed the liner subsequently was sunk by a British man of war, as has been suggested both from Berlin and London, the Berlin foreign office is expected to send its disavowal as soon as a reasonable time has passed without a report from its commander.

Once the situation growing out of the Arabic incident has been disposed of, the response to the long unanswered the American note on the Lusitania will be dispatched, and if Germany's explanations and proposals in this case are accepted by the United States, both officials and diplomats here expect the way to be cleared for a complete understanding between the two governments on the subject of freedom of the seas. In German circles it is freely admitted that in Berlin a hope prevails that such an understanding would be followed by insistent action by the United States to stop interferences with neutral commerce with Great Britain and her allies which prevent Germany from importing food supplies for her civil population.

Would Send Claim to The Hague. Berlin.—Germany, according to Count von Bernstorff's instructions, offers to submit the claims for compensation arising out of the Lusitania and Arabic cases to the Hague for adjudication.

Germany Buying Munitions in U. S.

Chicago.—George M. Getschow is quoted as stating that he is a stockholder in a firm which is making 100,000 six inch shells for the United States army, and that the German government, like the allies, is purchasing munitions of war in the American market. "I have seen some of the German contracts," continued Mr. Getschow. "That Germany is a buyer is common knowledge among manufacturers. Most of the shipments to Germany are made in Norwegian and Danish steamers."

Adolphe Pegoud is Reported Killed.

Paris.—It is reported that Adolphe Pegoud, the famous French aviator, has been killed. Pegoud gained renown in 1913 when he originated the feat of flying upside down in an aeroplane and looping the loop. On the outbreak of the war he joined the French aviation squadron and several times since has been mentioned in dispatches for valor. The last exploit credited to him was in April when he was reported to have attacked and brought down a German taube near St. Menchould.

French Occupy Syrian Isle.

Paris.—An official communication, issued by the ministry of marine says: "The island of Ruad (Syria) has been occupied by a detachment from the French squadron, which holds the blockade and the Syrian shore. There was no resistance, the population according to the troops a warm reception. The island of Ruad lies two miles off the coast of Syria. Its population of some 3,000 is largely engaged in navigation and sponge fishing."

DR. C. J. HEXAMER



Dr. C. J. Hexamer of Philadelphia was re-elected president of the National German-American alliance at the recent convention of that organization in San Francisco. Though a native-born American, he is so ardent a pro-German that he says he is "haunted by the lick-spittle policy of our country" in not refusing to ship war munitions to Europe.

GEN. OROZCO SLAIN IN FIGHT WITH POSSE

LEADER OF MANY REVOLUTIONS MEETS DEATH IN CULBERSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

El Paso, Texas.—Gen. Pascual Orozco, prominent military leader in Mexico's many revolutions of the last five years, was killed late Tuesday in a fight with a posse of American civilians, customs officers and troops, according to government reports received here. The battle took place in Green river canyon of the High Lonesome mountains in Culberson County, Texas, following a raid on the Dick Love ranch. Orozco and four companions were pursued from the Sierra Blanco country into the foothills.

How desperately they fought is shown by four bullet wounds in the body positively identified, according to reports, as that of the Huerta general.

At the home of General Orozco's family in this city the report of his death could not be confirmed. Gen. Victoriano Huerta would make no comment when informed of the reported death of his former chief officer.

Orozco was one of the first to join Francisco Madero when the latter organized his revolt against President Diaz in 1910. Orozco took the field in Northern Chihuahua and in company with his bullion guards as a nucleus, soon raised the most efficient fighting force under Madero's banner. With the fall of Madero, Orozco joined the adherents of Huerta and became one of the most active military chiefs of the latter.

Vessel That Sunk Arabic is Missing.

Berlin, via London.—The German admiralcy has advanced the suggestion that the submarine which may have torpedoed the steamer Arabic possibly has foundered or has been sunk by the British. A high official of the admiralcy, in again declaring that absolutely no news on the sinking of the Arabic was available said: "Would it not be lamentable if the submarine should have been lost, and we should never learn what happened? Most of our boats which were on the west coast of England at the time have returned, but one so far, knows anything about the Arabic."

Claim 8 Russ Casualties 1,400,000.

Berlin.—An official review of the eastern campaign, as given here estimates that since May 2 the Russians have lost at least 300,000 men in killed or wounded and 1,100,000 captured by the German's, a total casualty list of 1,400,000.

Kentucky Democrats Want Wilson.

Louisville, Ky.—Kentucky Democrats in state platform convention here endorsed the administration of President Woodrow Wilson and declared in favor of his re-nomination in 1916.

Britain Preparing for Machine War.

Paris.—"The government now has under control all factories able to produce cannon, rifles, projectiles and explosives," said David Lloyd-George, British minister of munitions in an interview. "It also controls all foundries and machine and tool factories and not one pound of metal or one detached piece is turned out by the vast industrial machine which is not destined for the use of our armies. This war must not be fought with brawny chests but with machinery."

AGAIN TO BE FERTILE LAND

Building of Euphrates Dam Calculated to Restore the Prosperity of Old Mesopotamia.

With the completion of the Hindiyeh barrage, on the River Euphrates, the first step has been taken which will ultimately turn Mesopotamia into the fertile land it was in Biblical times.

For ages the waters of the Tigris and Euphrates have run to waste in the desert, or accumulated in unwholesome marshes, and devastation and the decay of centuries have set their mark upon enormous areas that once blossomed as the rose. In the great Babylonian plain, tradition has placed the Garden of Eden, and the still visible ruins of the old dams and canals show how important a part was played by irrigation on the economic prosperity of Chaldea and Babylon.

After lying dormant for ages as the result of devastating wars, Tartar invasions and Turkish apathy, fertility is about to be restored to those desolate regions as by the wave of a magician's wand.

The magician is the modern engineer, in the person of Sir William Wilcocks, who in 1909 was commissioned by the Turkish government to prepare an irrigation scheme. In its entirety Sir William Wilcocks' plan entailed an expenditure of \$75,000,000, and it is the first portion of the works which were inaugurated.

The Hindiyeh barrage, 47 miles south of Baghdad, has been built just above the town of Hindiyeh and to the east of the present riverbed, and it distributes the waters of the Euphrates through regulators down the old Hillah branch, past Babylon to Hillah. It is 500 feet long and consists of 35 arches fitted with sluice gates 16 feet wide. The arches are supported by piers 19 feet high and four feet thick, with key piers measuring 11 feet. This structure rests upon a foundation of three feet of concrete and six feet of brickwork. Adjoining the barrage is a lock with a 25-foot opening for the use of the river traffic.

IN THE SOCIETY COUNCILS.

Pigs represent a kind of concrete idea of position among most of the natives of the Society Islands. These animals, in fact, are just as carefully nursed as children. Only male pigs are castrated, however, and are fed all their lives to a pole under a little roof, while the sows run wild. "The pigs are carefully fed," writes Doctor Speiser, "but this, their only pleasure, is spoiled by constant and terrific toothache, caused by cruel man, who has a horrible custom of knocking out the upper eyeteeth of the male. The lower teeth, finding nothing to rub against, grow to a surprising size, first upward, then down, until they again reach the jaw, grow on and on, through the cheek, through the jawbone, pushing out a few other teeth on the way. Then they come out of the jaw again and curve a second, sometimes a third, time, if the poor beast lives long enough.

Pot and Kettle.

"How ignorant that woman is," said Mrs. Gauss to her caller. "She and I went to the Zoo the other day and I thought I would laugh outright when she called the giraffe a 'carafo.' The joke of it was, the animal wasn't a giraffe at all, it was a camomile."

The more money a man has the more he is abused—and the less he cares. Only a married man can fully appreciate the comforts of his club.

CALOMEL WHEN BILIOUS? NO! STOP! ACTS LIKE DYNAMITE ON LIVER

I Guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Give You the Best Liver and Bowel Cleansing You Ever Had—Doesn't Make You Sick!

Stop using calomel! It makes you sick. Don't lose a day's work. If you feel lazy, sluggish, bilious or constipated, listen to me!

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile, crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel "all knocked out" if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a

spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you, right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot silitate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

HIS WELL-CHOSEN RESPONSE

Old Frenchman's Words, in Acknowledging Gift, Were Certainly Short and to the Point.

In a certain country town there lived an old Frenchman named Le Blanc. One night some of his friends gave him a surprise party and presented him with a watch chain. That week the local paper printed an account of the affair, saying that in acknowledgment of the gift Mr. Le Blanc responded "in a few well-chosen words."

Curious to know what the old Frenchman said, someone asked the reporter who was present what those "well-chosen words" were.

"Well, I'll tell you," he answered. "When Charlie finished his presentation speech and held out the chain, the old man—who had been eyeing it greedily all the while—suddenly snatched it from his hand and exclaimed: "Py chee, dat was a good one!"—Youth's Companion.

Last But Not First.

Sir Thomas Lipton, whose good work for stricken Serbia is still bringing him unstinted praise from all quarters, is, in spite of his great wealth, a man of very simple tastes. Especially simple is he in the matter of dress, a fact which was once responsible for a very amusing incident.

Some years ago he advertised for a number of new assistants for his business, and he decided to interview them all himself. On a certain morning, therefore, he arrived early at his office to find a long list of applicants waiting outside.

"Ha, ha!" he chuckled, says Sir Thomas when he tells the story, "as I pushed my way to the door, 'Good strong men all of them! Just the fellows for—"

"Bash! I was hurled across the pavement, hit a lamp post, and found myself in the gutter, and then a deep voice said:

"'Wot's your little game, eh? You just line up behind and hook your turn with the rest of us!'"—Pearsons.

Easily Remedied.

"Oh, George, you've broken your promise!"

"Never mind, dearie; I'll make you another."—Life.

Father Adam may have had troubles of his own, but at any rate, Eve never flashed his old love letters on him.

HAD TO HAVE MORE ROOM

Wobbly Man Needed Extra Accommodation Before He Could Really Enjoy Seeing Play.

During the run of a play in New York last winter a wobbly person teetered up to the box office one Saturday night when the place was packed and demanded a good seat.

"Nothing left except standing room," said the box-office man. "Sell you standing room for a dollar."

The wobbly one produced a dollar and went inside. But so many general admissions were grouped at the rear that over the intervening hedge of heads he caught only vagrant glimpses of what was going on upon the stage.

He foggly considered the situation for a spell. Then he rocked his weary way back to the box-office window and put a second dollar on the shelf.

"Gimme nozzir one of them standin' rooms," he ordered; "can't see the show at all if you only got one."—Saturday Evening Post.

Theory and Practice.

Mrs. Blough—I don't try to sniff everyone. I always want people to take me just as I am.

Caller—Glad to hear it, for we're in a big hurry. I'm the staff photographer for the Scarehead, and the Sunday editor sent me out to get a snapshot of you—

Mrs. Blough—Good Heavens! Wait till I run and frill up a bit and put on some more powder.—Judge.

Rain on the Diamonds.

Madge—Do you think Mr. Phan loves you more than he does baseball?

Maude—I really don't know. Last night he told me that my eyes were like diamonds.

Maude—That is a sign of affection.

Maude—Then a little later he said that when I cried it made him feel like a postposed game.—Judge.

Tedious Business.

"What is your attitude toward the belligerents in Europe?"

"Oh, the usual attitude."

"And what is that?"

"I'm just waiting for them to quit."

"Umph! You are evidently not rushed for time."

Occasionally a man makes a great hit by doing the wrong thing at the right time.

Start Children to School Right

After the vacation rest, school children should quickly settle down to the task of learning. Do your part!

Parental responsibility does not end by sending them to school. The child must be equipped with mind and body at their best.

And here the right food plays a most important part.

Growing children need energy; the right kind and lots of it. And energy comes from well-nourished nerves and brain.

Grape-Nuts

—a food made from wheat and barley, contains the vital mineral salts—Phosphate of Potash, etc. (grown in the grains) which directly act with other food values to build up body, brain and nerves.

Statistics prove that much of the "backwardness" of some children is due to faulty nourishment.

A morning dish of Grape-Nuts and cream is good alike for the bright scholar and the backward pupil. The latter needs the nutrition; the former will progress in sounder physical and mental health because of it.

"There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts

—sold by Grocers everywhere.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

No Bill, you are mistaken. All booze fighters do not live in wet towns—West News.

That is true, too. The booze fighter is not particular whether his town is wet or dry, just so he gets the booze, and there is always some way to get it if he has the price.

Standing on the street corners and making ugly remarks about women as they pass stamps a man for what he is—and he himself knows what he is.—West News.

The Mexican brother down on the Rio Grande seems to think that Uncle Sam can't be kicked into a fight—and it sometimes seems that he is correct in thinking so—but it is probable that this brother will kick your Uncle one time too many.

Out of the 25 trees set in the court house yard last March only one failed to grow. These trees are growing nicely and promise to be the pride of the county in the days to come.

Where is Morris Sheppard that he is not telling the President that on the Governor and a few nervous individuals along the Mexican border are excited? About a year ago, "Little Morris" had quite a lot of fun at the expense of the Texas officials because of their fear of Mexican deprivations which were even then materializing.

Horrors! Secretary Lansing serves wine instead of grape juice at receptions. Now listen to President Wilson's enemies lambaste him for appointing a booze-fighter to succeed Bryan.—West News.

The Scriptures inform us that when Jesus gave his last reception he served wine to his guests. In fact, we read that wine figured in two particular social functions, and each time Jesus had a hand in serving it.

A Prophecy is Fulfilled

If Pascual Orozco is spending some of his time with his family in El Paso, it is evident that Pascual is exercising that same degree of smoothness that enabled him to escape from the same locality some time ago.

The above clipping from the El Paso Times, of August 30, was written the day before Orozco and four of his gang were killed near Van Horn.

As the Times said, Orozco ventured "just once too often." When he made his last venture he did not take into consideration that he was dealing with Texas cowboys instead of Mexican grassers, and there is where he fell down, and no doubt

there is where the Times man got his cue for the truthful prediction, "that Pascual will take this venture just once too often."

The Mexican is no fool, neither does he lack in tiger courage, but he is ignorant of the sure fate that awaits him when he crosses the Rio Grande on any other except a peaceful mission.

TOTING FAIR

Now and then a kick is registered against the Board of Trustees of Independent District No. 1 by patrons residing outside of the district because they are charged tuition after their money transferred to this district is exhausted.

Each child within the scholastic age draws a certain sum of money from the state. In this district, in order to maintain and prolong the school, its people have been taxed 50c on the \$100 valuation.

While this district extends a welcome to the outsider, it is but fair to all parties concerned that the outsider bear his part of the expense in keeping the school up to its present standard.

The outsider is not just in censuring the Board for charging him extra tuition, for the Board is only doing that which is right and just. The members of the Board are sworn to do this very thing, and they have no lawful means of avoiding it.

Chalk Creek Mud-hole

Editor Kellis of the Sterling City News-Record is requested to notify an anxious public press as soon as he gets that Chalk Creek mudhole filled up.

Sure! And when the Chalk Creek mudhole is filled up we intend to celebrate the occasion by opening a can of axle grease with prayer and put the cap-sheaf on the function by engraving on tablets of Chalk Creek mud this inscription:

This mudhole was ordered filled up by the Hon. Commissioners' Court of Sterling County, Texas, at a regular term of said Court on the 17th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1915, and said order was promptly carried into effect on the 30th day of March in the year of our said Lord one thousand, nine hundred and—loan me a quarter. Sic semper manana—damum suchum wavyum dum.

Dixie Theater to Be Improved

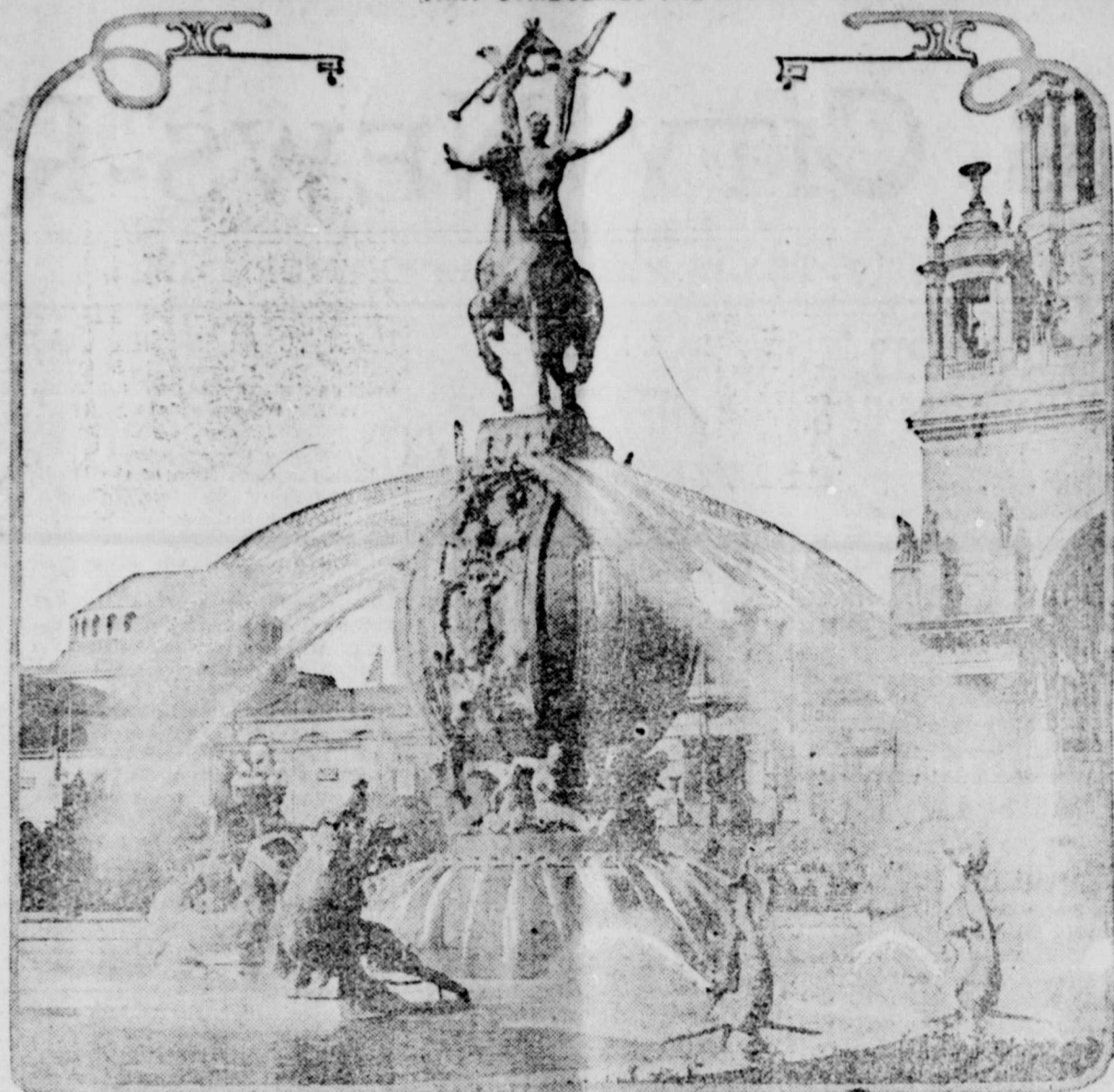
Messrs. Hocker & Gilmore, proprietors of the Dixie Theater, have leased the Lyles building and will move their show into it for winter quarters.

Prophecy is Fulfilled

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THE FOUNTAIN AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION THAT SYMBOLIZES THE BUILDING OF THE PANAMA CANAL



The labor that went into the building of the Panama canal is symbolized in the Fountain of Energy, by A. Stirling Calder. This heroic sculpture stands in the center lagoon of the three lagoons of the South Gardens and faces the main entrance gates.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Joe Hirsch On Bankers Helping the Farmers

It is a great thing to make two bales of cotton grow where one grew before, but a much greater achievement to make a bale of cotton worth twice what it was before.

DISTRICT COURT TEXAS FACTS

District Court convenes Monday, October 4th. The following are the lists of the jurors: GRAND JURY: L. P. Allen, John Walraven, J. S. Augustine, W. B. Atkinson, W. E. Beyer, Wm Bryson, J. B. Buckner, C. N. Crawford, E. W. Davis, D. D. Davis, E. F. Hodges, S. L. Hull, J. W. Reynolds, J. W. Thomas, Harry Tweedle, Green Williams.

INTERURBANS. There are 550 miles of interurban lines in Texas. During 1915, 215 miles of new interurban lines were built in Texas.

There are 40 electric railway companies operating in Texas. Thirty-six Texas cities have electric street railway systems.

Texas led all states in the Union in interurban construction in 1915. Texas has the longest interurban system in the southwest. It is the Dallas-Waco-Corpus line and is 158 miles long.

There are 1,916 locomotives, 1,285 passenger coaches and 45,894 freight cars in service on Texas roads. The railroads of Texas are long enough to reach across the United States five times.

NOTICE We will not sell Gasoline, Tubes, Batteries, or any other supplies, on credit in the future. It will take cash to get any of these supplies. This applies to all alike. BROWN & PEARCE

"Motor Oil" is guaranteed by the Texas Company to be as good as any oil made. 60c per gallon at Jackson's Garage.

ATTENTION, LADIES.—On Thursday afternoon of each week, special attention will be given to ladies' work at my barbershop in the First State Bank building. Try us for a massage or shampoo.—R. M. Mathis

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that driving any stock across, working stock or otherwise trespassing upon any lands owned or controlled by me is hereby forbidden under pain of prosecution. E. F. Atkinson

NOTICE TO FORD OWNERS See Jackson Bros. for a Gray & Davis starter for your car.

Just Received—A shipment of Congress casings and Victoria tubes—the best for the money.—Jackson's Garage

NOTICE Hereafter the Postoffice will be closed from 11:30 A. M. until 1:30 P. M. Office hours: 7 a. m. till 11:30 a. m.; 1:30 p. m. till 6 p. m.; and from arrival of mail until same is distributed and window waited on. Mrs. M. Copeland, P. M.

FOR SALE—Hynes Concord buggy, in fine shape. Cost \$225. Will take \$100 for it. Phone W. F. Cushing, Sterling City.

FOUND—A stick pin. Apply at this office, describe same, and pay for notice.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A good second-hand typewriter—Lowe & Durham. Irrigated Farm for Sale—I am not able to run my irrigated farm, on account of sickness, so have concluded to sell to the one that it may suit. Teams, tools and all implements. Anyone wishing to buy can get terms by writing James Daly, Sterling City, Texas.

Professional. Chas. R. Gawron Physician and Surgeon Over Butler Drug Company, Sterling City, Texas. Office and Residence Phone 23

J. E. Hayward Physician and Surgeon OFFICE OVER BUTLER DRUG CO. Residence Telephone No. 59 STERLING CITY, TEXAS

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prices at Austin's
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a few well directed shots have put all competition
in the run. And the first load fired from this master
machine is.

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Alpine Salt, the best what is.**

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Your patronage of the
four years. Every
year worth of goods pass-
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full and good will.

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FISHING—Anyone found fish-
ing otherwise trespassing on any
land controlled by me will be pros-
ecuted.—D. M. Brown.

NOTICE
The telephone office
at place will be open and give
service throughout the day on Sun-
day.—S. D. Guimarin, Mgr.

NOTICE
Stamps and family left
Thursday for a month's visit to
relatives at Heidenheim-
Wallaco. Mr. Dickson takes
stamps' place as passenger and
is absent during his absence.

NOTICE
M. B. McKnight and family
removed from San Angelo to
a ranch twelve miles northeast
of here. Later on, they will move
to a recently acquired home in
Sterling Addition. We are glad
to welcome the Judge and his ex-
tensive family to our citizenship.

LOCALS

Mrs. Henry Springer, who had
been visiting her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Z. L. Potts, returned to her
home at Brownwood last Monday.

C. D. Allard, of Ireland, was the
guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
G. W. Allard, this week.

Oscar Rutliff, last week, delivered
a string of steers which he recently
sold to Harris Bros., of San Angelo.

Miss Anita Longshore is reported
to be quite ill.

The ladies of the Wimodaughis
Club will conduct a bazaar the lat-
ter part of November for the bene-
fit of the Library. Any contribution
from any friend of the library will
be appreciated. Hand work will
be sold on commission. For par-
ticulars phone No. 61.

Prof. E. H. Sparkman, of Baylor
University, at Waco, visited his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Spark-
man, here this week.

Rev. L. P. Bloodworth, Fort Worth,
was visiting here yesterday.

Mrs. N. L. Douglas and son, Guy,
and daughters, Misses Mavis and
Kathleen, left this morning for Aus-
tin, where Guy and Miss Mavis will
enter the University of Texas, while
Miss Kathleen will enter the high
school of that city. Mrs. Douglas
will remain in Austin during the
scholastic year.

Try the Houston Chronicle 100
days for \$1.00. Other rates will
be published later.

Fort Worth Record till December
1 for \$1.20.—Christian Aid Society.

Mrs. Reynolds, mother of C. C.
Reynolds, left last Monday for Am-
arillo, where she will spend a season
visiting her daughter.

Alvin Sparkman left last Satur-
day for Eldorado, where he goes to
assume his duties as instructor in
the high school of that place.

Misses Eli and Leora Pool left
last Monday to begin teaching at
Jayton and Spur, respectively.

J. R. Cope is erecting a nice resi-
dence on the ranch which he recently
purchased from Harry Tweedle.

Best Blue Bug Killer destroys
blue bugs, ants, mites and other
vermin. Guaranteed to do the work
or money refunded. Try it and you
will want more.—E. O. Wyatt. 4tp

LOST—Gold stick pin, with half
moon and clover leaf in center, set
with 8 pearls, one of which is miss-
ing. Lost on court house grounds.
Finder please leave same at News-
Record office.—Homer Hodges. 2

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Fisk were
shopping in town last Wednesday.

Mrs. O. H. Graham, who has been
ill with fever for the past three
weeks, is convalescent.

The county Teachers' Institute
has been in session this week.

We learn that all the teachers of
the county have been in attendance,
except one. Much good work has
been done by the institute, and each
teacher will go to his work next
Monday feeling that he has been
greatly benefitted by this
week's work.

If it's a daily paper you want, try
one of these:
Houston Chronicle, 100 days, \$1.
(trial subscription.)
Star-Telegram, new or renewal,
till December 1st, \$1.50.
Fort Worth Record, new or re-
newal, till December 1st, \$1.50.
—Christian Aid Society

Rev. Schoonover and family and
L. L. Farr, of San Angelo, spent last
Sunday in puritown. Rev. Schoon-
over preached at the Central Chris-
tian church Sunday morning and
evening.

Pink Wilson, of San Angelo, is
visiting his sister, Mrs. W. T. Con-
ger.

Ladies, when you wash be sure
to use Best Washing Powders and
Best Washing Fluid and your clothes
will be white and easy to clean. It
will not injure the hands nor
clothing.—E. O. Wyatt.

S. S. Millsbaugh was in from his
Howard County ranch last Monday
after supplies. He was driving a
new Oldsmobile which he recently
purchased.

Misses Sudie and Lottie Rawls
visited their brothers, W. G. J. I.
and Hugh Rawls, at Mertzoa last
week.

Mrs. G. B. Slaton and son, Carl,
who had been visiting relatives at
San Angelo, returned home Tuesday

W. L. FOSTER, PRES. J. S. JOHNSTON, VICE-PRES. J. T. DAVIS 2nd V. F.
J. S. COLE, CASHIER SAM MAHAFFEY, ASST. CASHIER

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF STERLING CITY

Capital \$50,000.00

Accounts are solicited from individuals, who may
rely upon courteous consideration and the very
best terms that are consistent with good
business methods

J. S. Cole, a few days ago, closed
a deal with J. A. George, of Garden
City, for 900 choice wether lambs
at \$3.50 per head. Mr. Cole plans
to winter these lambs on his ranch
and fatten them on ensilage for the
early spring market. This is an in-
novation in Sterling and will be
watched with much interest by our
stockmen.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Crawford were
shopping in San Angelo this week.

Emette Westbrook, W. L. Emery,
Rude Mathis, R. W. and Templeton
Foster were among the visitors to
San Angelo Tuesday.

Ben Rawls was transacting busi-
ness in San Angelo this week.

Our public schools will open Mon-
day.

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Atkinson and
daughters, Misses Lula and Love,
came from Knickerbocker last Sat-
urday to visit relatives. Miss Lula,
who has been employed to teach
the Lacey school, will remain here.

Dee Davis, accompanied by his
mother, Mrs. Henry Davis, and sis-
ters, Misses Winnie and Nannie B.,
visited Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Aiken, at
Sweetwater, last Saturday and Sun-
day.

LAUNDRY

Why worry about wash day?
Let G. O. Potts send your "washin'"
to the Model Steam Laundry. Basket
of leaves Tuesday and returns Thurs-
day. Remember the place—phone
12.

E. L. Gilmore made an automo-
bile trip to Roswell, N. M., this week,
where he went to take Thad Green
and family, who expect to make
their home at that place. Mr. Gil-
more says the trip was made with-
out mishap.

Dee Davis, Oscar Rutliff and W.
T. Conger attended court, as witness-
es, at Stanton last Wednesday.

Mrs. W. A. Bynum and son, Ray-
mond, accompanied by Master No-
ble Bowden, came in last Friday on
a visit to friends and relatives.

WANTED—A woman to do general
housekeeping. Apply at this office.

Phone us in regard to that daily
or weekly newspaper, or magazine
you are wanting—Christian Aid
Society.

A DIVINE COVENANT.

God Almighty gave Eve to Adam
with the pledge that she should be his
helpmeet and with this order of com-
panionship, civilization has towered
to its greatest heights. In this rela-
tionship, God has blessed woman and
man has honored her and after four
thousand years of progress, she now
proposes to provoke God to doom
man by asking for suffrage, thereby
by amending an agreement to which
she was not a party.

Woman, remember that the Israelite
scorned a divine covenant, and as a
result wandered forty years in the
wilderness without God. Likewise
man should remember that it is a
dangerous thing to debate woman by
law. Rome tried lowering woman's
standard and an outraged civilization
took the clothes off the backs of the
human race and turned them out to
sleep in the world naked and un-
ashamed.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
Of the First State Bank at Sterling City, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 2nd day of Sept., 1915, published in the Sterling City News-Record, a newspaper printed and published at Sterling City, State of Texas, on the 10th day of Sept., 1915.

Resources	
Loans and Discounts	
personal or collateral	\$91,393.43
Loans, real estate	1,648.00
Overdrafts	363.44
Bonds and Stocks	0.00
Real Estate (banking house)	18,460.00
Other Real Estate	7,348.32
Furniture and Fixtures	3,528.14
Due from approved reserve agents, net	32,496.37
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	0.00
cash items	294.79
currency	3,156.00
Specie	2,985.83
Interest on Depositors Guaranty Fund	1,224.67
Assessment Guaranty Fund	123.93
Other Resources as follows:	0.00
TOTAL	\$162,362.95
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$40,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,980.00
Undivided Profits, net	4,888.96
Due to Banks and Bankers subject to check, net	0.00
Individual Deposits, subject to check	101,251.49
Time Certificates of Deposit	0.00
Demand Certificates of Deposit	0.00
cashier's Checks	376.21
Bills Payable and Re- discounts	10,000.00
Other Liabilities as follows:	0.00
TOTAL	\$162,362.95

STATE OF TEXAS)
County of Sterling) We, Emmette Westbrook, as president, and N. L. Douglas, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Emmette Westbrook, President
N. L. Douglas, Cashier
Sworn on and subscribed to before me this 9th day of Sept., A. D. nineteen hundred and fifteen.
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.
A. R. Pool, Notary Public
[Seal] W. T. Conger J. R. Ray D. C. Durham) Directors

No. 9813
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The First National Bank
AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS,
At the close of business Sept.
2, 1915.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$137,678.84
Overdrafts, unsecured	260.60
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	15,000.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$3,600
Less amount unpaid 1,800	1,800.00
Banking house	11,323.73
Furniture and fixtures	2,974.00
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	2,381.81
Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis	546.23
Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	20,032.44
Due from banks and bankers (other than above)	28,170.59
Outside checks and other cash items	378.11
Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	108.52
Notes of other National Banks	1,025.00
Lawyer Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Total coin and certifi- cates	4,718.39
Legal-tender Notes	785.09
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	750.00
TOTAL	\$227,341.97
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$60,000.00
Undivided profits	\$36,544.41
Less current expen- sures, interest, and taxes paid --	607.82
National Bank Notes outstanding	15,000.00
Due to banks and bank- ers (other than above)	1,308.21
Individual deposits subject to check	113,251.49
cashier's checks out- standing	1,891.74
TOTAL	\$227,341.97

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Ster- ling, ss:
I, J. S. Cole, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. S. Cole, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of Sept., 1915
Pat Kellis, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
H. O. Lyles)
W. L. Foster) Directors
J. T. Davis, Jr.

**RURAL SCHOOL TERM
SHOULD BE EXTENDED**

By P. P. Claxton,
U. S. Commissioner of Education.

In most States school days for country children are fewer than for city children. The average length of school term in cities of the United States is one hundred and eighty-five days; in rural communities one hundred and thirty-eight days, a difference of forty-seven days. In some States the difference is much greater than this average. In many counties the average length of the rural school term is less than one hundred days, and in some districts it is less. On the other hand, in the States of California, New York and Connecticut, the country schools are in session one hundred and eighty days in a year, and in several other States almost as long. The country schools of Rhode Island are in session one hundred and ninety days in a year.

If all children are to have an equal opportunity for education we must even up the school terms of the country and give to all country children at least as many days as are now given to city children. One hundred and eighty-five days of schooling a year for all children will not be too much. There are countries in which the schools, both for city and country, are in session from two hundred and twenty to two hundred and fifty days or more in the year. American children need as much education as those of any other country, and this applies to the rural as well as urban districts.

BELIEVED GABRIEL HAD COME

Kentucky Colonel Tells of an Incident That Occurred When Ballooning Was a Craze.

A number of gentlemen drifted together in the smoking room of a Washington (D. C.) hotel and got to talking aviation.

"Every time I hear flying mentioned," said a white-haired Kentucky colonel, "I think of Uncle Josh, an old colored man, who lived in my state, and who owned a little stumpy patch which he called a farm."

"Ballooning was then a great craze, and a daring aeronaut attempted to take the all-air routes from Cincinnati to Louisville. Something went wrong on the way, and he came down in Uncle Josh's stumpy patch.

"Uncle Josh, who had never seen a balloon, nor even heard of one, was engaged in tending with a single shovel plow the earth about the hills of corn wedged in among the stumps. When the old mule hitched to the plow saw the balloon it got in a big hurry for the first time in its life; in fact, it ran away and tore up the plow.

"The balloon struck about fifty yards away and a being strangely garbed disengaged himself from the tangle.

"At the same time Uncle Josh's knees smote together and then collapsed. He was so scared he couldn't walk, so he pulled off his hat and started crawling to meet the stranger. The aeronaut was surprised at first, but he understood the cause of the worshipful approach when Uncle Josh greeted him:

"How yo' all do, Marse Gabriel! How yo' lef' yoah folks!"

HIS CATCH.

A man with a fishing pole sat on the river bank near the Atchison waterworks intake. "How many have you caught?" some one asked him. "When I get another I'll have one," he replied.

THE IDEA.

"So you are going to call on the other end of the family to strengthen their nerve."

"Yes, so to speak, a weak end right."

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