

Federal Laws Asked To Aid War on Crime

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—New legislation to strengthen the government's law enforcing powers will be asked in the present session of congress, Attorney General Homer S. Cummings indicated today in his annual report.

Cummings said that study is being given to matters of proposed legislation and that suitable bills and other information will be made available to the appropriate congressional committees.

Among these matters, he said, are regulation of traffic in machine guns and other firearms; prison escapes, including complicity of prison officers or employees; resisting and killing a federal officer; interstate transportation of stolen property; simplification of removal proceedings; escape from lawful custody while awaiting trial; weaver of indictment by grand jury in certain criminal cases; and regulation of alibi defenses.

The attorney general reported that additional strain had been placed on his department by the expansion of activities in connection with kidnaping and racketeering, and by the great amount of legal work incident to the administration and enforcement of recently enacted emergency legislation.

In the fiscal year ended June 30, 1933, the period covered by the annual report, Cummings reported that 197,384 cases had been commenced in the federal district courts and 205,629 were terminated. In the 1932 fiscal year 220,738 cases were commenced and 216,087 terminated. Pending cases at the end of the 1933 fiscal year amounted to 151,034, against 159,387 a year earlier.

Of the pending cases, 24,293 were civil cases; 20,907 criminal; 7,639 private litigation, and 68,97 bankruptcy proceedings.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the justice department's division of investigation, reported continued progress in scientific crime detection and continued growth in identification activities.

The total number of index cards in the hands of the department rose to 4,901,443 from 4,133,538 in the preceding fiscal year. Identifications made rose to 244,693 from 208,715 in the preceding year.

"Identifications were effected," the report said, "in 45 per cent of the criminal fingerprints received during the year. Of the 244,693 identifications made during the year, 3,818 were found to be fugitives from justice who were located as the result of fingerprint identification, as compared with 2,435 fugitives from justice located during the previous fiscal year."

The report noted a sharp increase in kidnaping during the past year in the face of a "rather unusual record of crime solutions" and swift punishment by the division of investigation in the first year of the existence of the federal kidnaping law and the extortion act.

Sanford Bates, director of the department's bureau of prisons, reported a checking of the rising tide of commitments to federal prisons with a drop in prison population from 14,314 to 13,188. The total number of persons under supervision in federal jails, hospitals, training schools and state institutions rose to 55,606 from 52,466.

The decrease in jail population was attributed to relaxation of prohibition activities, and the extension of the probation system to practically all federal district courts.

A milk strike shouldn't bother Chicago as much as a liquor strike would.

Bob Steel Reaches Peak of Career As Western Ace In "Hidden Valley" Story

In a picture that climaxes a long and successful career as one of the most popular of outdoor stars, Bob Steele, ace of Western actors, appears for the first time under the Monogram banner next Saturday at the Columbia Theatre in "Hidden Valley," first of a series of eight Western pictures. The feature is scheduled for a run of one day.

Steele, although still in his early twenties, has been a Western star for more than five years, and previously had appeared in a series of juvenile outdoor two-reel pictures with his twin brother, Bill. He is a real westerner, having received his earlier training in his birthplace, Pendleton, Ore., home of the famous Pendleton Round-up.

After making the outdoor series and before becoming a western star, Steele attended high school in Glendale, Calif., where his muscles, hardened by his earlier years on the cattle ranges, won him eleven athletic letters in such widely varied sports as baseball, football, basketball, track, swimming and boxing.

In "Hidden Valley" Steele presents some of the most unique stunts of his career. Among them are several that are seen for the first time in any western picture. They include a thrilling leap in which Steele, with a wounded man

OHIO WOMAN GOT FOX PAINSVILLE, Ohio.

— Mrs. Joseph Ruzicka, of Cleveland, believes that a fox pelt on the back is worth two in the bush. A sly Renard which invaded the farm of Jack Beverly near here may have

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Davenport Being Urged to Run For Office He Occupies

Henry Davenport, who has served as commissioner of this precinct for the past year, is being urged by a large number of his supporters and friends to enter the race again for that position.

So far Mr. Davenport has not indicated whether or not he will be a candidate again during the primaries this summer, but, with his excellent record as a commissioner, it is expected that he will again be in the race for the position.

Although funds for improvements have been considerably curtailed during his term of office, he has done everything possible to keep all roads in good condition, and with the advent of CWA labor for improvement of county roads he has been working hard getting projects ready for submission and getting them approved. In this way he has been able to get many of the county roads in his precinct improved and graveled. His precinct is probably leading all others in the county in number of improvements on county roads.

In addition to the road work he has been actively interested in all matters that have come before the county commission and has been instrumental in securing every project for the betterment of conditions that has been approved by the commission this year.

Mr. Davenport is commissioner of precinct 1, instead of precinct 3, as carried in the New Year's greeting page from the county officers.

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MONTGOMERY WARD

Cotton Campaign Begins In South

The signing of the 1934-35 cotton adjustment contracts is under way in the South, it was reported today by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. Efforts are being made to complete the campaign in as short a time as possible.

Under the program, the cotton producers of the South are being offered approximately \$125,000,000 in benefit and rental payments to reduce 1934 production to 25,000,000 acres, or a 40 per cent reduction of the five-year average acreage.

The contracts provide that the signing must be completed by January 31 in order that by that date the Secretary of Agriculture may declare the program effective.

Cully A. Cobb, chief of the cotton section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, stated today that "Agricultural leaders, extension workers and vocational teachers have all been supplied with contracts and instruction books and are ready for the signing. In fact, several thousand contracts were signed yesterday. Other thousands are being signed today, and still more will be signed tomorrow."

Contracts which are being offered producers give them the option of reducing the acreage of the five-year base period, 1928 to 1932 from 35 to 45 per cent. The Agricultural Adjustment Administration hopes to achieve a 40 per cent reduction of the five-year acreage which was 41,347,000 acres.

Cline May Be a Candidate Soon

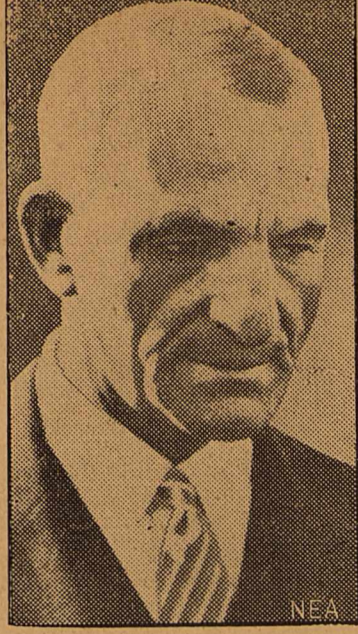
FORT WORTH, Tex.—Still another figure, that of Walter D. Cline, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, casts its shadow over the forthcoming gubernatorial race, now in a scramble between numerous contestants. Cline, in a visit here, admitted he is thinking of the coming race. At shrugged it off with the declaration that he is too busy with affairs of taxation, public works and the proposed Texas centennial to give much thought to whether he will run for governor.

"My friends won't let me forget it," the gray-haired Wichita Falls man said.

Cline has been a prominent West Texas figure for a number of years. As president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce he recently bitterly assailed state relief director Lawrence Westbrook for his policies in distributing relief funds, attracting statewide attention to himself.

Should Cline decide to announce for the governorship, he will add

Ford's Brother In Bankruptcy



Henry Ford's brother is in bankruptcy. Appointment of a trustee in Detroit revealed that a voluntary suit had been filed by William Ford, above, listing liabilities of \$412,000 and no assets. The suit was filed without knowledge of Henry Ford, attorneys indicated. William Ford heads a tractor and implement firm.

to Wichita Falls' long list of candidates which already embraces Attorney General James V. Allred, C. C. McDonald and Tom Hunter.

91st Court Jury Commission Is Named by Judge

Judge George L. Davenport of the 91st district court has appointed a jury commission composed of Jim Cheatham of Eastland; Clarence May of Ranger; and Martin Joyce of Rising Star, to select petit juries for the February term of the 91st district court which convenes Monday, Feb. 5.

CAUGHT 5,000 ANTS
TEXARKANA, Tex.—M. Baldwin, Texarkana, recently exhibited a pint jar which contained 5,000 ants that he had caught with a formula on which he had been doing research work for the past ten years.

The mayor of Long Beach, L. I., gave his interest in the local paper to a former employe, who doesn't know whether to thank the mayor or sue him.

Rail Accidents Show A Decline

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6—Deaths and injuries from railroad accidents during 1932 declined substantially over 1931, the annual report of the bureau of safety of the Interstate Commerce Commission revealed today.

Total deaths for 1932 were 4,524 compared with 4,583 for the preceding year. Injuries during 1932 totalled 17,157 against 20,057 for 1931.

Trespassers led the fatality and injured lists with 2,435 killed and 3,354 injured. Only 23 passengers were killed, the bureau said. The rate for passenger deaths was one per 739,018,537 miles travelled by trains.

The bureau, asserting that many safety precaution steps are being undertaken by railroads, pointed out that 35.6 per cent of the deaths in 1932, were preventable.

1934 Brings New Laws on Fishing

AUSTIN.—The year 1934 ushered in several changes in the fishing laws of Texas. The chief changes are embodied in house bill 81, enacted by the 43rd legislature and effective this month.

Persons selling minnows for bait now must obtain a state license costing \$1.33 for an eight-month period ending with the state's fiscal year Aug. 31. Wholesale fish dealer's license was hiked from \$10 yearly to \$200, or to \$133 for the first eight months of the new year.

Retail fish dealers in cities of 40,000 or more population are required to obtain a license costing \$20 yearly. The retail license in smaller cities is \$10.

The commercial fisherman's fee has been increased from \$1 to \$2. Persons renting fishing boats with motor or sails must hold a \$3 license. A \$1 license is required of persons who rent skiffs. Guides who direct inexperienced anglers to the choicest fishing spots also must hold a state license. The new law licensed seining at the rate of \$1 per 100 feet of seine.

The state game, fish and oyster commission here also has reminded sportsmen that the deer, bear and turkey season closed Dec. 31. The quail season will close Jan. 16. The deadline on ducks and geese is Jan. 15.

Mrs. Roosevelt advises the American people to "keep a fluid state of mind" in 1934. What does she think prohibition was repealed for?

Dan Cupid Was Busy At Capitol During Past Year

AUSTIN.—Dan Cupid is not on the state payroll but he was one of the busiest persons under the state capitol dome during 1933.

His arrows hit one state senator, seven state representatives, 15 members of the state highway department staff, four employes of the state comptroller's office, three from the Board of Control and two in the State Railroad commission offices.

In several instances he brought down two state employes with one shot.

Cecil Murphy's recent marriage to Miss Zula Matthews, an assistant clerk in the Senate, brought down one of the State Senate's eligible young bachelors.

House members who married during the year were R. W. Calvert of Hillsboro; Emory Camp, Rockdale; Otis Dunagan, Big Sandy; R. H. Good, Cooper; Vernon Lemens, Rainbow, and Thomas J. Renfro, Fort Worth.

Judge Mack Birch, Decatur, head of the legal division of the state highway commission, married Miss Jessie Jiegler, who was on former Gov. Ross S. Sterling's secretarial staff. Mrs. Birch formerly lived at Houston. Other weddings in the highway department included:

Miss Dorothy Motheral married Weldon Cloud, Lampasas; Miss Dora Topperwein married William Morrow of the state treasury department; Miss Ida Anderson of the highway department stenographic force married J. A. Shelby of the assistant highway engineer's office; Mrs. Josephine Burns chose Ray Faltinson, also of the highway department, as her husband; Miss Bobby Lucas married James Howard of the state land office; Miss Rosemary Deen married M. B. Baker of the state insurance department; Miss Constance Catterall became Mrs. Naylor by marrying a member of the state motor patrol division at Houston; Miss Evelyn Glascock became the bride of Seth Breeding of the U. S. Geological Survey force working with the state water board. Miss Lucille Cooper became Mrs. Adair Lutemsky and Miss Marguerite Person became Mrs. Belva Jackson. W. O. Dixon of the highway department married Miss Sarah Hundley of Dallas; Billy Bell married Miss Ann Brooke; Gordon Carlton married Miss Coleta Croslin and Henry Taylor married Miss Agnes Smith of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads.

Wedding bells rang in the State Board of Control office for Miss

Hattie May Wilbanks who married F. C. Bryant of Pecos, Miss Sadie Davis who married Cecil Hull of San Antonio and Secretary J. R. Ham who married Miss Fay-Hunt of Lubbock. Another member of the staff is expected to send out wedding invitations soon.

Two members of the state railroad commission staff here married in the closing week of 1933. Miss Grace Crow, stenotype recorder of hearings before the commission, married A. F. Coward of Dallas. Miss Edna Allen of the motor division married Arlys B. Cross of Amarillo.

Claude Blanton, former University of Texas football star, has qualified as the first state employe to marry in 1934. His bride was Miss Kay Peavey of Lufkin. Weddings in 1933 took three brides from the comptroller's office. They were Miss Mary Stadler who married Robert Hutchings of Dallas; Miss Vida Killingsworth who married John Weston of Austin and Mrs. Katherine Odum who married William Manning of Austin.

A Cleburne bridegroom married Miss Beulah Oden of the state department of education.

Girl's Anatomy Puzzles Doctors

AUSTIN.—Medical men here are marveling at the rare anatomy of Mary Hernandez, five and a half months old Mexican girl, whose heart was on the right side of her body.

Little Mary died of bronchial pneumonia. An autopsy confirmed the complete transposition of the baby's viscera. She had been

under the care of Dr. Thomas J. McElhenney for treatment to congenital heart disease.

Not only was the child's heart located on the right side, but the appendix was located on the left side, the two-lobe left lung was on the right side, the liver was on the left side, and the intestinal tract and other organs were transposed.

The transposition of the viscera, however, was not the cause of the child's death. Cases of adults with transposed organs in good health are known to the scientific world. Such specimens, however, are exceedingly rare, according to physicians here.

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Corn and Hogs To Be Next On Reduction Plan

A corn and/or hog reduction program will be the next step of the Administration in an effort to reduce the hog surplus and place hog raising on a profitable basis. It is expected that contract forms will be in the hands of County Agents early in January. Since we are not particularly interested in reducing our corn acreage Eastland county producers will be concerned mostly with the hog reduction.

market only 75 per cent of the two year average and be paid approximately \$5 per head for those hogs he does raise for market. Hog raisers who are interested in this reduction program are requested to indicate that fact on a postcard to be mailed to J. C. Patterson, county agent, Eastland, Texas. Just as soon as final instructions are received giving details and full information will be mailed those indicating their interest.

TRAPPER CAUGHT FOX WITH BARE HANDS

MIDDLEBORO, Mass.—Donald Gray doesn't use a trap or a gun when he captures a fox. He uses his hands. Gray was riding when he saw the fox cross in front of the automobile. He got out of the car, chased the animal, overtook it and caught it with his bare hands. Gray later sold the skin for \$5.

13 LUCKY FOR TWINS

CHICO, Cal.—Thirteen should Richard Lucas and Donald Melvin Lucas, twins They were born on the 13th day of the month. William weighed five pounds, nine ounces, and Donald, four pounds, twenty ounces, a difference of just thirteen ounces. They were born exactly 13 minutes apart, and their mother's birthday is on October 13.

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Sunday School Lesson

Baptism and Temptation of Jesus

Text: Matt. 3:13-17, 11
The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 14.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of The Congregationalist.
The baptism of Jesus marked the beginning of his distinctive ministry. This was the significance of baptism. It was a sort of initiatory rite.

John the Baptist had such a consciousness of the greatness of the Messiah, whose forerunner he was, that he drew back from the honor of baptizing Jesus.

It seemed to him unfitting that one conscious of his weakness and inferiority should be the instrument of expressing the divine blessing and approval upon one so much greater than himself.

To Jesus, however, the rite had a significance independent of the man who performed it. It was a fulfillment of all righteousness. It was a part of that human process by which the divine mission of Jesus was to be realized.
Yet Jesus well may have rejoiced in his baptism at the hands of John, for he paid to John the highest tribute that could be paid to mortal man, when he said that among those born of women there had not arisen a greater than John the Baptist.

How essentially the baptism of Jesus was a part of the human ritual—a fulfillment of all righteousness in human terms and demands—was manifested very quickly in the experiences of the temptation.

The temptation did not set Jesus aside as apart from human life. It did not surround him with protective influences that were not vouchsafed to other men.

It emphasized only the divine career that he was to live in the midst of human temptations. Here, again, was the fulfillment of all righteousness in the triumph of right over the promptings of evil and over the temptations of a lesser good. The temptations that assailed Jesus were no less real because they were not gross temptations of the flesh.

The temptation to command that stones should be made bread might be interpreted in terms of materialism and grossness, but it was more a temptation to use wonder-working power for insufficient or trivial ends than the temptation to trail the divine life in the mire of gross and material sins.

The temptations that assailed Jesus were the temptations that were more likely to assail a man called to a high commission. Probably the keenest temptations that a man has to combat are those that meet him on the plane of his noblest aspirations and his greatest abilities.

The temptation of the artist is to use his gift for something less than beauty and glory of his art, to prostitute it to baser ends. The temptation of the poet is to be content with something less than the highest beauty of form and expression and the nearest ap-

proach to perfection that he can achieve.

The temptation of the man of organizing genius, or of statesman-like ability, is to use his organizing power, or his skill in the mastery and leadership of men, for worldly ambition or for his own aggrandizement.

It was the temptation of this sort that Jesus rejected. In fact, the real force of the temptation that assailed him may have had a deeper significance.

It may have been the temptation to work for a material and immediate triumph of his kingdom rather than to choose the path that led to the cross in his uncompromising service of truth.

This is a temptation that in some form assails us all, to refuse some sacrifice that truth and righteousness demand and to set aside some great goal, while at the same time we delude ourselves into thinking that the way of expediency is the way of better achievement.

Tempted men may learn from the nature of the Master's temptations, as well as find inspiration in his conquest of the tempter.

Nebraska reports all 1933 bills paid and money left in the treasury. What the political leaders of other states want to know is not how Nebraska did it, but why.

Cardui Good For Run-Down Condition

"I have found Cardui a good medicine to take for a run-down condition," writes Miss Hazel Authement, of Houma, La. "I had pains in my sides. This made me nervous, and I felt I should take something for this trouble. I was with my sister. She was taking Cardui, so I took it, too, and found it very helpful. I am glad to recommend it to others." Cardui is safe and wholesome for women of all ages. At drug stores.

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Cotton Growers' Income Twice That of 1932

As the campaign for restricting the 1934 cotton acreage to 25,000,000 acres was getting under way in the South, official estimates on the value of the 1933 cotton crop were made available by the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture.

The total indicated income received by the South from the cotton crop of 1933, including rental payments and potential option profits, is almost six million dollars more than twice the income received from the crop of 1932, the estimates show.

The figures upon which this calculation is made include the farm value of lint cotton for the 1933 season, as determined by the crop reporting board to be \$617,716,000 as compared with \$317,861,000 for lint cotton in 1932.

In addition to the \$617,716,000 received, or being received for the 1933 crop, rental payments totalling \$111,528,000 have been distributed and farmers who participated in the emergency program of last summer are now receiving some \$48,000,000 in option profits, which represents the difference between the 6 cents at which the 2,400,000 bales of cotton have been optioned to these producers and the 10 cents which is available through the cotton pool arrangement, the option-holders receiving a 4-cent per pound advance.

The income from cotton seed in 1933 has been calculated at \$79,532,000 compared with \$53,627,000 received for seed in 1932, making the gross income from the 1933 cotton crop \$856,776,000 as compared with \$425,488,000 in 1932.

Cully A. Cobb, chief of the cotton section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, commenting upon the report from the crop reporting board, said that "the fact that cotton income has been more than doubled in 1933 is of utmost significance as we begin the campaign to restrict 1934 plantings to 25,000,000 acres. "This vast increase in the cot-

ton income of the South," Mr. Cobb asserted, "has been reflected in renewed business and commercial activity throughout the Cotton Belt as well as restored hope to the individual cotton farmer. It may be taken as the best indication as to what the farmer will do on the proposal he is now considering to reduce his cotton acreage 40 per cent this year. Cotton farmers have seen what they can do to control production and to improve the return from their crop. The fact that they doubled their income from the 1933 crop is the best assurance that the adjustment pays and will continue to pay."

Mr. Cobb said that there were no definite reports as yet from the field on the first three days of the sign-up campaign that is being conducted throughout the belt. Contracts are being signed he stated, calling attention to the fact that under the terms of the contract itself a sufficient number must be signed by January 31, 1934, for the secretary of agriculture to declare the program operative.

"I have received numerous com-

munications from banks, civic and commercial clubs and other agencies throughout the South that they are giving active support to this campaign," Mr. Cobb stated. "The fact that the doubled cotton income has revived business in the South and opened the way for permanent recovery has resulted in the mobilization of all interests in the South to push the 1934 campaign to an early conclusion. I have appealed to many of the civic and commercial groups to join the cotton farmers and leaders in this campaign and the response has been gratifying."

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