

They're Ready for Stock Show Opening



The preparations for the opening of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show today night: upper left, Gayle Robins and lower right, Wanna Lee, starring in the All-America Revue at Rainbeau Garden; upper right, bronc riders are seen in the world championship rodeo; center, Anson Weeks, whose dance will appear in Rainbeau Garden; lower left, Jeff Travis and his "high school" band, an attraction for the two daily performances of the rodeo and horse show; a scene from the All-America Revue.

Roads Given \$100 Million Hike in Freight Rates

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission today announced a \$270,000,000 annual increase in freight rates last night. The increase affects all railroads from three-cent rates and possibly to industries which sell in bulk.

Men, who had pleaded for a 15 per cent increase, were disappointed, however, by the 10 per cent increase.

Roosevelt, who had urged the rate decision, was immediately summoned to a congressional hearing. I. C. C. leaders to meet

next week to discuss the next step.

The I. C. C. gave the railroads a 5 per cent increase on farm and forest products and 10 per cent on virtually everything else that moves by rail. These increases, however, are inclusive of raises granted on steel, coke and many other "heavy" commodities last fall. Therefore, on some of the rates raised in the autumn there will be little or no additional increase.

Warned Railroads

Several of the commissioners warned the railroads that much corporate and financial housecleaning lies between them and sound operations. Commissioner Miller called for consolidation of all railroads into a single system.

While conceding laws and conditions virtually force a partial increase in rates, the commission was not wholly optimistic about effect of the rates. Commissioner Acheson predicted the increase would hamper business recovery, and the majority opinion emphasized that higher rates might be offset somewhat by decreasing traffic volume.

Commissioner Eastman, the administration's former coordinator of railroads, estimated, however, that the increase would amount to \$270,000,000 per year and would be adequate to compensate the carriers for increased wages and other costs and also for the failure

of past increases to meet expectations.

The commission said the railroads could apply the new rates on ten days' notice, but must have them in effect by July 1.

Death Is Not Taking Holiday on Open Road

AUSTIN, March 9 (Sp)—Death is not taking a holiday on the open roads and city streets of Texas, but despite increases each year in population and the number of scholastics in Texas schools, fewer children die each year from traffic accidents in this state, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer.

But the toll is still appalling. Last year 221 under 15 were killed, 154 of them between five and 14 years of age, yet state safety officials, educators and others intensely interested in preserving child health are encouraged. It has been definitely demonstrated that safety measures are effective and the tragic cost in child life can be materially reduced in the future, he pointed out.

That special emphasis be placed in safety as part of health and protection on State May Day is being

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Roosevelt Takes Hand In TVA Internal Row

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt, obviously disquieted, demanded Tuesday that the embattled directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority justify their bitter charges and counter charges, if they can.

Stepping directly into the row between Chairman Arthur E. Morgan, on the one hand, and Vice-Chairman Harcourt Morgan and Director David Lilienthal on the other, he announced he had called all three into a conference Friday.

Grimly and emphatically, he told reporters he would demand proof of the charges of bad faith that have been flying back and forth and added he wanted facts, not opinion.

Correspondents at his semi-weekly press conference laughed when one asked if all three would be gathered in the same room at the same time, but Roosevelt's stern expression quickly quieted the hilarity.

Three additional developments in the TVA row occurred during the day.

Senator Norris (Ind-Neb), author of the TVA act, told the senate "intense jealousy" had led Chairman Morgan to make angry charges against Lilienthal and Harcourt Morgan.

A resolution was introduced in

This Is Venice—California, Not Italy



Substitute gondolas for the automobiles in the above picture and it might well be a canal scene in Venice, Italy. Instead, it's a street scene in Venice, California, suburb of Los Angeles, where drivers abandoned their cars and fled before the rising waters of the worst flood in the history of Southern California. Thousands of persons were forced from their homes by the high waters, which caused scores of deaths.

the house demanding that all three TVA directors resign.

Asked today what he intended to say to the three directors, Roosevelt said he would request that the statements made by all be justified, if they could justify them.

Something has to be done, he continued, because public opinion is obviously based upon the opin-

ions expressed by the factions and not the facts.

Big Bend Reptile Collection

ALPINE, March 9—A collection of 51 specimens of snakes, frogs, lizards and turtles, from the proposed Big Bend National park of

Texas, have been added to the permanent reptile collections of the National museum in Washington.

The collection was made in the Big Bend last summer by Tarleton F. Smith of Waco. He gathered the specimens while working as a student technician for the National Park Service.

LEGION CONVENTION

LOCKHART, March 9 — The Tenth district American Legion convention will be here March 29. District Commander Ernest Sowell of Elgin has announced.

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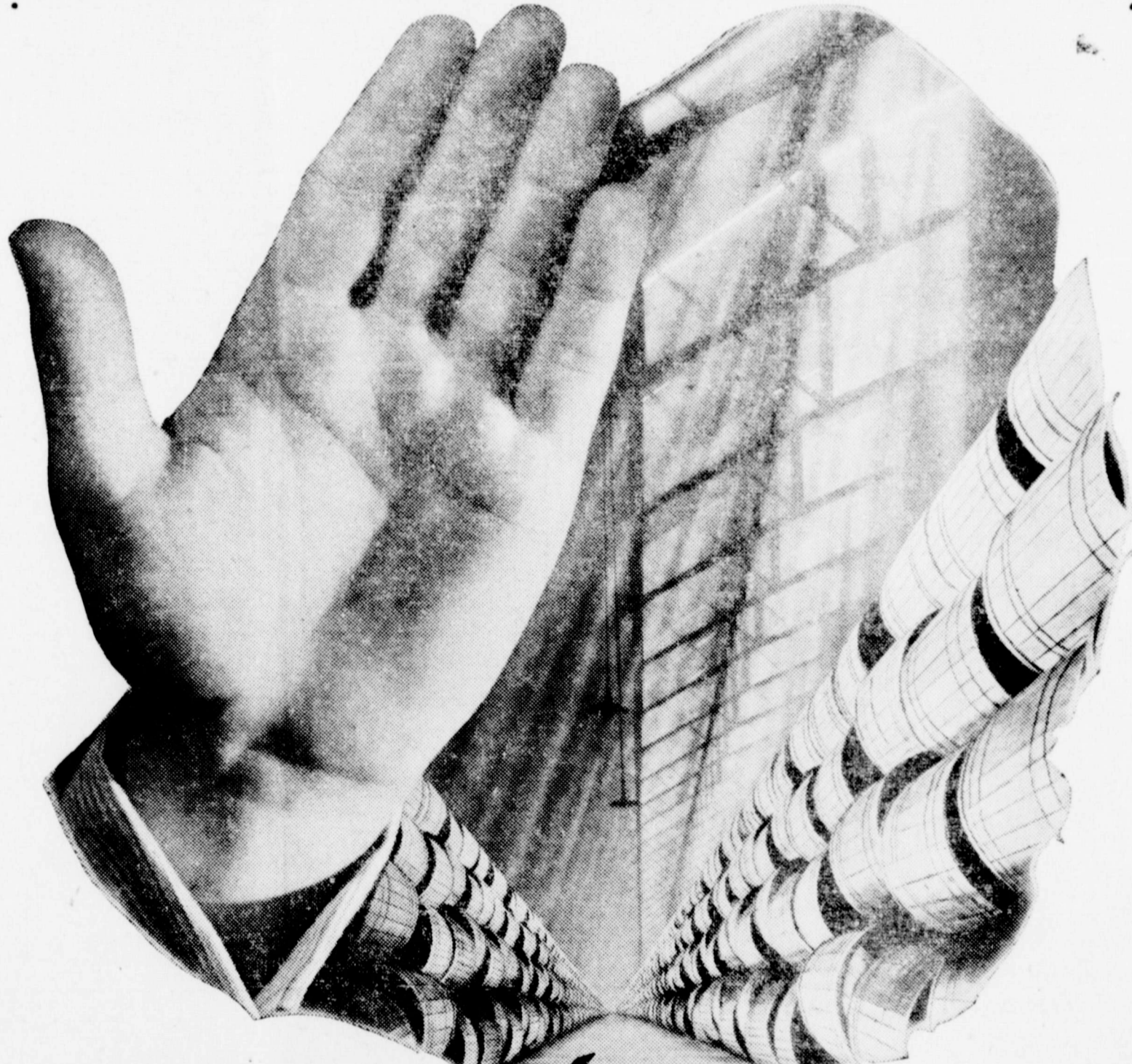
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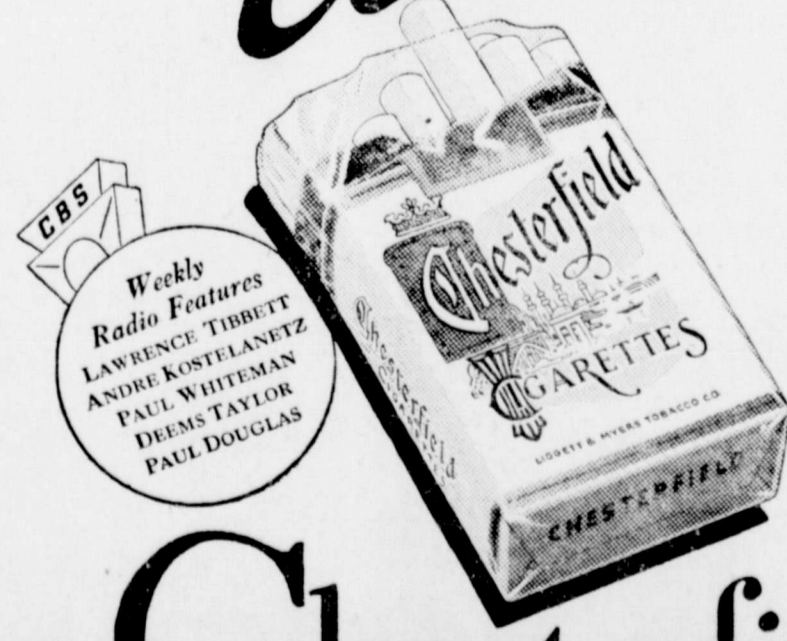
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Cotton Vote Will Be Held Next Saturday

Cotton growers of Eastland county Saturday will vote in the 1938 cotton referendum to determine whether agricultural officials of the nation should set marketing quotas for the crop. County Agent Elmo V. Cook announced Tuesday.

Voting places will be at Eastland in the agent's office, at Ranger at the chamber of commerce, at Cisco in the chamber of commerce, at Carson at the Progress office, at Gordon in the trading company store and at Rising Star in the Higginbotham store between 9 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Eligible to vote are landlords, cash tenants, owner operators, one-fourth tenants and one-half tenants who had an interest in a cotton crop in 1937.

The county agricultural committee, composed of R. R. Bradshaw of Scranton, J. D. Guy of Carbon and E. E. Blackwell of Alameda, will canvass the returns and declare the result at 9 o'clock Monday morning at Eastland.

Judges for the election will include T. E. Castleberry, J. F. Mosley, Ray Norris, Eastland; Ellis Cooper, J. S. Hutton, R. H. Hodges, Ranger; H. H. Hazelton, Joe Donaway, Cisco; L. A. Bennett, Gorman, H. W. Gilbert, Ed Allison, H. A. Lovell, Carbon; and

A. L. McDonald, O. D. Carver and A. H. Morris, Rising Star.

It has been explained that cotton farmers of the nation must abide by the outcome of the voting in all states which must be by a margin of at least two to one. The ballot form will be "Do you favor cotton-marketing quotas for the 1938 crop?"

Cotton marketing quotas, if in effect, will mean, U. S. Department of Agriculture officials have said to producers.

If a person plants within his acreage allotment: 1. You will be eligible to receive agricultural-conservation payments. 2. You will be eligible to receive cotton-price-adjustment payments on 1937 cotton. 3. You will be eligible for a loan on all cotton you produce in 1938. 4. You and other cooperating producers will be protected in your efforts to adjust supplies.

If a person should overplant his allotment: 1. You would not receive any agricultural-conservation payments. 2. You would not receive any cotton-price-adjustment payments on 1937 cotton. 3. You would not be eligible on your acreage allotment. (Loans on excess cotton would be at 60 per cent of the rate to cooperators.) 4. You would have to pay a penalty of about \$10 a bale on cotton marketed in excess of your quota."

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lean style, in the subdued but costly Carlton hotel.

His visit here is a sort of centenary celebration of the old sailing treaty. He and his dusky followers cut with knives and forks when traveling, but in 1934, when a touring United States minister called at Muscat to begin the century, the sultan served them dinner Arab style. A son of the minister, describing the affair in the Foreign Service journal, wrote: "There were sheep roasted whole, platters of rice, chickens, vegetables, pastries, sweets and fruits. Our neighbors kept us supplied with these dainties by stretching out and taking with their hands a handful of vegetables here, tearing off a lump of meat there, followed by a handful of stuffing, and depositing it all in our plates."

It sounds greasy, and we have it from the famous Lawrence of Arabia (Seven Pillars of Wisdom) that the food comes in sizzling hot and you are expected to dip in bare fingers, seize a smoking bit of flesh and eat it without a whimper. The minister's boy didn't mention the heat. He positively remarked that when the sheep was eaten, the guests washed off their hands with rosewater.

We don't know whether they serve rosewater at the Carlton.

Caledonia is the ancient name for Scotland.

Geneva became part of Switzerland in 1815.

450 Attend Meetings on Cotton Vote

EASTLAND, March 9 (Sp.)—County Agent Elmo V. Cook announced Tuesday that 450 persons had attended six of a series of meetings in the county this week for explanation of the 1938 cotton referendum and the new farm program.

Meetings had been held at Flawood, Pioneer, Rising Star, Scranton, Alameda and Carbon. Members of the county committee, R. R. Bradshaw of Scranton, J. D. Guy of Carbon and E. E. Blackwell of Alameda; County Agent Cook and his assistant, Hugh F. Barnhart, and Conservation agent

Assistant Harry K. Westerman are conducting the meetings.

Mary Queen of Scots became queen of Scotland when only a week old.

AUSTIN, March 9 (Sp.)—A jobless covered compensation received \$500,000 began in January.

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He is only 27, but a Sultan is a Sultan, and they turned out the marines, the cavalry and half the state department. The president lunched him and Secretary of State Hull led him dinner, American style, in the subdued but costly Carlton hotel.

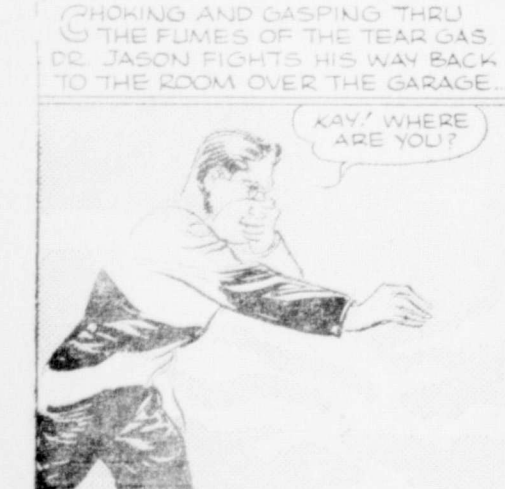
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