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WHEAT FARMERS ARE ALL BROKE

Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota And Montana Present Alarming Condition, Investigation Shows.

MANY MORTGAGES FORECLOSED

Suicides, Delinquent Tax Sales And Other Alarming Conditions Shown Throughout The Big Wheat Belt.

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—An alarming picture of conditions among the farmers in the great wheat belt of the Northwest has been given the Senate Agricultural Committee by J. F. Sinclair, a Minneapolis banker.

Placing before Congress to come to the aid of these farmers by effective legislation, Sinclair attempted to show that suicides, bankruptcies, mortgage foreclosures, and delinquent tax sales have increased greatly in this farming region during the last few years, as the result of the severe slump in the prices of farm products.

Sinclair, as head of a corporation which deals in farm mortgages, sent out questionnaires to the country bankers in Minnesota regarding conditions among the farmers. He declared one report was current in newspapers of that region that a half million farm mortgages on which interest had not been paid would be foreclosed.

All information collected by Sinclair was incorporated in the official hearings of the senate agricultural committee.

From the bankers of Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana, Sinclair obtained the information regarding suicides among the farmers, acts which were said to be unusual in pre-war days:

Many Suicides.

From Minnesota bankers he received 26 replies, listing 34 suicides; from North Dakota, 29 replies, listing 87; from South Dakota, 14 replies, listing 32 suicides; from Montana, four replies listing 15 suicides.

Sinclair stated that of course the information he obtained from his questionnaires did not represent complete information from any one state, and that the actual number of suicides, bankruptcies and foreclosures was evidently much larger.

Sinclair then asked the bankers how many mortgage foreclosures were made on farms during the last 12 months in their territory.

"There were 70 banks in Minnesota that made replies, and they said that 956 mortgages were foreclosed," said Sinclair. In North Dakota there were 2,456 from 92 replies. In South Dakota 51 banks answered that 960 foreclosures had taken place. Montana reported 965 foreclosures from 26 banks.

"The next question was: 'How many bankruptcies during the last 12 months?' In Minnesota there were 328 from 90 replies.

"In North Dakota there were 743 reported in 97 replies.

"In South Dakota, the number 291 in 57 replies.

"Montana in 27 replies reported 182. This information must be qualified by the fact that many of the farmers are not going through bankruptcy, because the bankers have told them that if they will hang on the bankers will try to work them out, and they are hanging on, as one banker said, 'by their eyebrows.'

"Then the question was asked, 'If the present condition continues, can the farmers work themselves out of their present financial difficulties?' Ninety-five per cent of the replies from the Minnesota bankers said that there was no hope on the present basis. In North Dakota, South Dakota, and Montana, with a total of 286 replies, 100 per cent of the bankers said that the farmers could not work themselves out of the present difficulties unless some relief were given."

From questionnaires asking how many farmers had left their farms, Sinclair obtained the following information:

From 56 Minnesota replies, the number was given as 1,717; from 90 North Dakota replies, 2,677; from 41 South Dakota replies, 1,763; from 28 Montana replies.

RATES REDUCED

I. C. C. Orders Railroads to Sell 50 Tickets Cheaper.

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today ordered the railroads of the country to issue non-transferable interchangeable tickets in denominations of \$50 to be sold at a reduction of 20 per cent of the face value of the ticket.

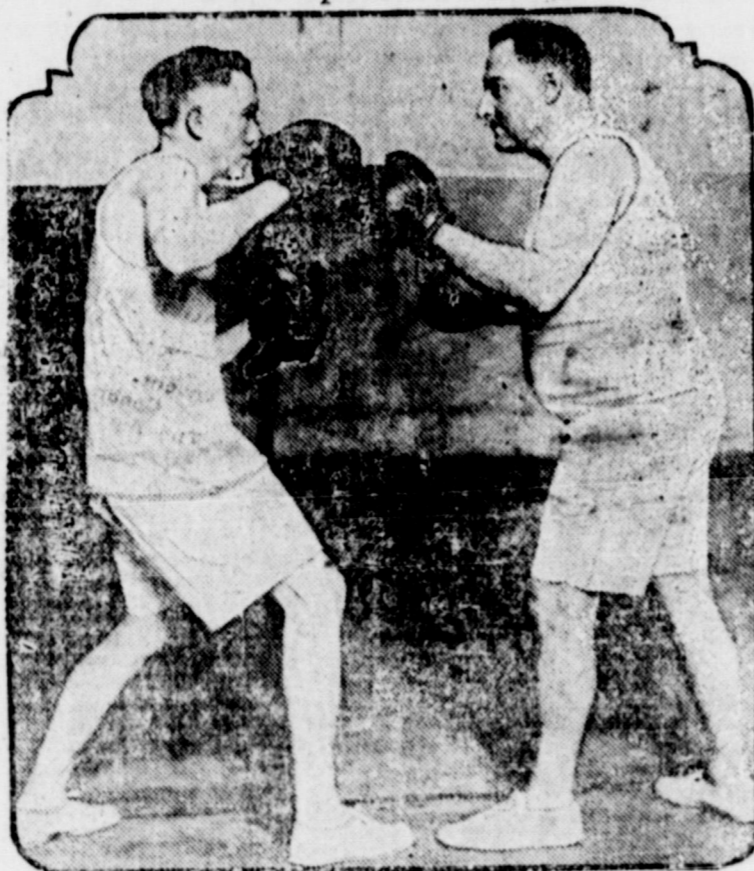
The issuance of these tickets has been strongly urged by the Commercial Travelers of the country and Congress.

TODAY'S RADIO WEATHER.

By Sweetwater Vulcanizing Co.

West Texas tonight and Thursday cloudy weather. Showers and somewhat colder in the north portion.

In Capitol Form



Congressman Vincent M. Brennan of Detroit (left) says that his bouts with Congressman Arthur M. Free of San Jose, Cal., are never Capitol jokes. Brennan is lightweight champion of the House.

DEFENDS KLAN

Dr. G. C. Minor Lectures at Court House Auditorium Tuesday Night —Says Mer Rouge Failed Flat.

Declaring that the attacks which have been made on the Ku Klux Klan as a result of the Mer Rouge, La., investigation have fallen flat, and making a strong defense of the Klan, Dr. G. C. Minor, lecturer for the Ku Klux Klan, spoke to a fair sized audience at the Court House auditorium Tuesday night.

Dr. Minor took up in detail the principles for which he said the Klan stands, and defined each of them, presenting in a clear way to his audience what these principles are. He made a strong defense of the use of the hood by the Klan, declaring that secret societies have used the hood on various occasions. He declared that the "Sons of Liberty," an organization in Revolutionary days used the hood and that Paul Revere was a member of that body.

He cited also the instance of where an attack was made on the Masons in 1830-1842 and said that they were forced to hold secret sessions.

Discusses Mer Rouge The speaker's characterization of the Mer Rouge investigation kept his audience in constant laughter, as he pointed out how he said the investigation was conducted and that as a result of the trial nothing had been proved against the Klan.

The restriction of immigration was urged in an emphatic way, and the speaker declared that no other foreigners should be let into this country until those already here had been made Americans.

The principle of "America of Americans" was brought out forcibly by the speaker, who received big applause during this part of his speech and also at other points.

SELF CULTURE CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Self Culture Club will be held Friday afternoon with Meadames W. W. Beall and F. G. Robertson hostesses at the home of Mrs. S. I. Edwards. The following program will be given:

Business, roll call, current events. How live mountains make Deadly Earthquakes, Mrs. Lawrence Davis. Curing the Stupid Moxies, Mrs. E. P. Reese.

Is Radio Hurting the Church, Mrs. F. G. Robertson. Saving the Babies, Mrs. D. B. Doak. Topics of the Day—Europe all A-flame Over the Ruhr Invasion, Mrs. I. S. Focht.

Discussion—By the Club.

S. M. O. S. CLUB

The last meeting of the S. M. O. S. Club was held at the home of Miss Edith Bradford. On account of the absence of the president, Miss Bortha McClure, the vice-president, Miss Imogene McBurnett, presided over the meeting. During the business hour it was decided to hold meetings only every two weeks. Miss Bradford took advantage of the coming Valentine season in the decoration of her room as it was decorated in hearts. In the game of hearts Miss McBurnett was successful. At the close of the meeting Miss Bradford, assisted by her mother, served delicious hearts of Angel food cake and jello with whipped cream. The place cards were dainty hearts. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Lila Cox.

TAX ILLEGAL

AUSTIN, Jan. 31.—The Texas Statute levying a two per cent oil tax on oil pipe line company gross receipts was held to be invalid and unconstitutional today by the Supreme Court.

DRESS HINTS.

BY HEDDA HOYT

Fashion Editor of The United Press (Written for The United Press)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 31.—The woman who keeps herself smartly attired on a limited income is the real genius of the age.

Anyone can go into a shop with \$150 and come out with an exclusive looking frock or suit, but the woman who manages to look attractive on thirty or forty dollars is the real genius.

It isn't always the expensively gowned woman who commands attention. Often the girl in a home-made copy of an expensive gown, worn with an inexpensively concocted hat, attracts more attention than her mink-garbed competitors.

The girl who chases from store to store in search of bargains; who touches up her medium priced gown with hand embroidery or brocade; who buys flowers on the side-streets to transfuse a five dollar hat into one which would sell in the shops for twenty; who manages to keep in correct taste for all occasions, on a small income, is to my mind the most interesting person in the fashion world today.

Whenever a new style comes into vogue she hops onto it immediately. If skirts are to be longer, down go her hem, she seldom sees her type in the divorce court, complaining of wandering husbands, for the man who's wife keeps herself lovely and attractive without running him in debt, is held with bonds stronger than laws.

Spring Offers Chances.

This spring offers great possibilities to the woman of talent in the way of color, hats, suits and gowns are all showing splashes of color ranging from the pastel shades to vivid green and reds. Suits are brightened up with Paisley and brocade lapels. Hats are featuring dainty colored ties rather than costly feathers. Any woman can bedeck herself in colors that are becoming to her at little cost.

Printed materials are sponsored by many of the French designers for the coming Spring costume. Particularly for the woman of small means the cloth manufacturers have simply loaded the shops with materials of this sort and the home dressmaker has a selection of colored prints equal to Paquins.

Spring styles are simple. We'll begin with the jacket suit, which is to be the smart thing for all occasions. Jackets this year are simple straight lined affairs, reaching to the fingertips. They make no attempt at being tailored. Many of them use the simple side-front closing, being tied with a large ribbon bow, thus dismissing the buttonhole question. With a pattern anyone who is familiar with sewing can easily make them.

Contrasting Material.

Their smartness depends upon the materials used for them. To insure the greatest success I would suggest that one use contrasting materials for skirt and jacket. Thus, with the stable blue Poiret (will skirt, one may use a jacket or Paisley print or one with Persian colors printed or embroidered upon a background of blue of the same shade as the skirt. A wide blue satin bow may be used to fasten the jacket at the left side. This will make a suit that is dressy and practical.

For sports' wear, the same idea may be carried out, using contrasting colors of flannel for coat and skirt. Rose and white make a pretty combination. Printed Linens, chintz and shadowed cretonnes form the jackets of some of the smartest Palm Beach costumes, and their popularity will be carried throughout the summer months. The jacket of printed cotton cloth is replacing the sweater for resort wear.

RAIN DRENCHES ALL WEST TEXAS

Whole Country South to Mexican Border Reports From 1 to 2 Inches Of Moisture Tuesday Night.

SWEETWATER GETS AN EVEN 33

Rain Was Lighter North And West, Colorado Getting 12 and Snyder 21—Abilene Gets 2 Inches.

Rain again drenched West Texas Tuesday night with downpours ranging from 12 inches to over two inches in the territory reached. The rain gauge at the Sweetwater Vulcanizing Co. measured 33 inches making a total for January of 115 inches.

The area covered by the rain reached clear to the Rio Grande with San Angelo receiving 2.05 inches and the territory south, east and west getting from three-quarters of an inch to an inch and a half.

The country north and west of Sweetwater was not so well remembered but Abilene was just under the two inch mark and Stamford received 1.25 inches.

Reports to the south report Blackwell receiving 1.12 inches, Bronte two inches, Angelo 2.05 making a total for January at Angelo of 2.64 inches, Water Valley 1.5 inches, Menard .75, Barnhart one inch, Metzton 1.25 Sterling City, 25, Paint Rock, Eden and Santa Anita 1 inch each, Coleman .81, Sonora 1 inch, Eldorado 1.41, and Juno Rock Springs and Del Rio from one to one and one half inches. Barnhart reported one inch, Ft. Stockton .25 with a good rain west to Alpine where one inch was reported.

West Roscoe reported .25, and Colorado 12.

Snyder reported 21, Hamlin 28, Roton 25 and Stamford 1.25.

To the east the rain was heavy, with Abilene getting just a trifle under two inches.

Ranchmen in the Angelo country are jubilant over the rains. A continuation of the warm weather for another week or ten days will make feeding unnecessary and make the calf and lamb crops near the one hundred per cent mark.

Farmers are likewise in very good shape. The rains have put the ground in better shape for spring work than in years. There is already a splendid season in the ground. While the local rains have not been heavy, they have been of the soaking variety and not a drop has been wasted.

MERKEL NEWS

Mrs. Lizzie Adkins of Abilene is a guest in the home of her uncle, J. L. Banner. Mr. Banner informs us that he had not seen his niece but one time since she was a little girl.

J. H. Fultz an erstwhile citizen of Merkel but now sojourning in Sweetwater, was a visitor to Merkel Saturday. Mr. Fultz informs us that Merkel could boast of only one stone building and that on Edwards street, when he lived here, all others being built of wood.

Saturday was a big day for Merkel, especially in the afternoon, when the free cash prizes were given away. The crowd was estimated at five hundred or more and the crowd was in fine humor. The first prize of \$15.00 was awarded to Mrs. J. R. Barnett; the second prize of \$10.00 went to Charley Price and the third prize of \$5.00 to Mrs. S. J. Roberts. These prizes were given by the Chamber of Commerce in order to create a more friendly feeling among the town and country people.

Let's pull together as one and thus accomplish more for Merkel and Merkel trade territory.

Miss Bertha Alexander died at the family home at Tye Friday and was buried in the Tye cemetery. She was a daughter of M. L. Alexander.

J. P. SUBLETT DEAD

J. P. Sublett died very suddenly at the family residence Sunday night at about 10 o'clock with a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Sublett was apparently as well as usual at supper time and ate a hearty supper.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at 10 o'clock Tuesday and were conducted by Rev. M. C. Hays. The remains were in charge of the Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Sublett was a good man, an excellent citizen and his sudden taking away mean smuch sorrow to his family and many friends. Besides a wife he leaves four sons and one daughter; Len, Tye and Vernon who are here, a son in Fort Worth and his daughter Mrs. Frank Hunter in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Porter and little daughter of Dora are visiting Mrs. Porter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Johnson.

Mrs. L. C. Vinson is improving rapidly and so is Mr. Vinson. The latter is expected home the first of the week from the Abilene Sanitarium.

Dr. Leech was called to the residence of Mrs. Jess George, who was seriously injured in a fall from the porch of her home at Decker.

BEHIND RUHR MOVE.



Eugene Schneider, greatest of the French iron masters, is prominently mentioned as one of the powerful "behind-the-scenes" figures in the Ruhr seizure. He will benefit greatly by French control of mines.

NAOMI BOUCHER NOW RELEASED

Waco Authorities Believe Arrest of Negro Has Cleared Mystery of Many Waco Murders.

EVIDENCE NEARLY COMPLETED

Authorities, Spirit Negro to Another County to Prevent Mob Violence —Believed Guilty Many Crimes.

By The United Press.

WACO, Jan. 31.—The chain of evidence by which the officers expect to bring to his execution a man who has been believed the murderer of a woman who has haunted the automobile drives of this section for the past year, was being welded here today.

Roy Mitchell, a mulatto, who was arrested yesterday with his brother-in-law, Arthur Postel, and spirited away to another county before mob violence could flare, are the men authorities are trying to enmesh in their chain. The evidence is nearly complete, they say.

As a result of the arrest, County Attorney C. S. Farmer today announced that he would dismiss complaints charging Miss Naomi Boucher and her two brothers with the murder of Grady Skipworth at Lover's Leap.

IS HELD FOR THEFT

Army Corporals Arrested For Theft \$42,000 Army Payroll at Langley Field Tuesday Night.

By The United Press.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 31.—Corporals John S. Wood, 27, and James Harvey, 24, are held by army authorities at Langley Field on a charge of theft of \$42,000 the post's payroll and the kidnapping of the five men who were in charge of the money.

The capture was effected last night, ten hours after the holdup, and the holdup, and the money, with a total of \$2,000 recovered, it was secreted on the men's clothing.

Court martial at Langley Field will be given the men, authorities announced.

J. H. SCALES DEAD

Another Civil War Veteran Passes Away at Home of Son R. H. Scales —Had Resided Here 25 Years.

J. H. Scales, a Civil War Veteran, aged 84, died this morning at 11:30 o'clock at the residence of his son, R. H. Scales from pneumonia. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon from the residence, Rev. D. B. Doak in charge of the services.

Mr. Scales was born in Mississippi and came to Texas at an early age. He spent twenty-five years ago and had resided here continuously since.

His wife preceded him in death fourteen years ago, and one of his two sons died about a year ago. A brother, H. B. Scales, of Electra, also survives him, in addition to fifteen great-grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Pitman of Claytonville were called to Sweetwater Wednesday by death of J. H. Scales.

Mrs. J. W. Gentry is in Fort Worth at the bedside of her daughter Mrs. Smith, who is seriously ill in that city.

FRANCE SPLITS WITH ENGLAND

Sends Note to Angora Government Notifying Turk Further Discussion Permitted By France.

ENGLAND CONDEMNS FRANCE

French Action Is Bitterly Criticized By English Government—Astonishment Is Caused.

By The United Press.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—Bitter condemnation of France's action in shattering the Allied front at Lausanne by writing the Angora Government that the peace treaty submitted need not be considered an ultimatum, and that France would stay on and continue the discussion with Ismet Pasha, was Great Britain's first reaction to the unexpected move of the Quai D'Orsay, the French Department of State.

Consternation was caused at Lausanne when the French move was disclosed. Just as the conference was at the breaking point with a fiat "yes" or "no" required from the Turk to the Allied terms today, the French sent a note to Angora, with copies to London and Rome, notifying the Turk that they need not consider the Allied terms as final.

ENTENTE SPLIT

The Entente of Victory was reat apart today. The Franco-British unity was further disintegrated by the French support of Turkey at Lausanne.

The British government, surprised and angry, prepared to defend its Near East claims single handed.

Just as Great Britain refused to back the French ultimatum to Germany, when Poincare wanted a German front to enforce reparations, the French told the Turks that Marquis Curzon's ultimatum at Lausanne need not apply between France and Turkey.

GREAT BRITAIN ACCEPTS Great Britain today accepted the American terms for payment of the British War Debt.

MAUZEY TO PRESIDE

Stern Parliamentarian To Handle Debate—Insists on Sergeant at Arms

In order to make sure that the rules of parliamentary debate be strictly observed at the forthcoming debate between Rev. Doak and Ted Myers, Rev. Morony and J. Stone Rivers on the question of whether or not Texas should be divided into two states, it was decided to get A. S. Mauzey, County Judge and the highest executive officer of the county, to act as chairman.

Judge Mauzey made it very plain that the rules would be strictly enforced. He stated that a sergeant-at-arms would be at hand with a large shillalah to preserve peace and order and to keep the oratorical lightning bolts sure to be unloosed from becoming anything more pointed and personal than parliamentary procedure should justify. Judge Mauzey was very stern about that point, clearly realizing the importance of the question to be decided.

The whole proceedings is for the benefit of the High School Athletic Fund. Friday night at 7:30 at the High School Auditorium.

AIKEN GROCERY MOVES

The J. O. Aiken Grocery today moved their stock from their present location to the Chesley building where they will be open for business tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Chambers of Blackwell were in Sweetwater Monday.

THE COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK COTTON. On'ng High Low Close Close Today Yesterday
Mar.27.70 27.77 27.39 27.39 27.95
May27.93 28.00 27.58 27.58 28.15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON. On'ng High Low Close Close Today Yesterday
Mar.27.40 27.48 27.07 27.07 27.65
May27.45 27.49 27.05 27.05 27.63

SPOT COTTON, MIDDLING BASH. Close Today Yesterday
New York27.50 28.10
New Orleans28.00 27.88
Dallas26.60 27.10
Houston27.50 28.00
Galveston27.60 28.20
Sweetwater26.60 27.10

CHICAGO GRAIN. Close Today Yesterday
WHEAT:—
May1.17 1.17
July1.12 1.12

CORN:—
May75 .75
July73 .73

OATS:—
May44 .44
July42 .42

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EVERY DAY IN EVERY WAY, BETTER BETTER, BETTER

MAN'S APPEAL
O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of years.—Habakkuk 3: 2.

According to figures estimated by Judge A. S. Manzey, the cost of the improvement of the road north to the Fisher county line will run in the neighborhood of \$30,000, and possibly more but hardly less. That estimate includes the cost of a gravel road for the four miles. An asphalt surface would cost about \$60,000 and concrete probably \$120,000.

Of the sum required, the state will match the county dollar for dollar at least so that the cost to the county will be \$15,000, \$30,000 or \$60,000, according to the type of road built. The state however would keep a string on the money, in that the type of road built would have to conform to the state specifications for road building.

There are two routes available. The one is the present route. If this one is used there is the grade north of the Santa Fe Crossing that would have to be cut down somewhat and a distinct possibility that the state would require going under the railroad.

The other route is via the present improved road to a point north of the plant of the Sweetwater Cotton Oil Mill and then a new right of way for two miles east to connect with the present highway from Fisher county. There are two disadvantages to this road. The one is that there is some right of way that will have to be purchased. The other is that there are three grade crossings which the state, which is becoming increasingly particular about eliminating on new road construction, may require action upon.

The importance of this road the main artery north, cannot be overestimated. Nor is the present condition of this road encouraging. It might be graded up temporarily, at considerable cost. And then the first rain that came along would wash all those dollars right down the drain, leaving the road in worse shape than it was before.

To finance this proposition bonds can be voted, or county warrants issued either has its drawbacks. But there is an increasing demand that this road be improved this year.

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WE WANT IT

The vote on engrossment of the Texas Technological College, the new name for the West Texas college, was five to one in the house, while in the senate the vote was unanimous. This means passage of the bill is now a mere formality. These majorities indicate a strength sufficient to pass the measure the possible veto of the governor, so that the college is a practical certainty.

The bill provides for allotting committee which will inspect the various sites offered and choose the place which is to be the home of the West Texas institution. Many towns in West Texas will bid for it, and there will be keen rivalry. Abilene of course will be among the bidders, and it will have some strong arguments to advance why it should be chosen as the site.

No time should be lost in getting this city's proposition in workable form for presentation to the committee. We believe Abilene can offer more and better inducements for the school than any other place in the territory covered in the bill—west of 38th and north of 29th. If it is located on a basis of merit, and merit only, Abilene can afford to take her chances with the best of them.

The city should lose no time, but should get busy at once getting its arguments in shape for presentation.

A strong committee should be named to handle this important matter and should get the job without delay. If Abilene gets the school it will have to present a stronger case than any of the other contesting towns—and some of them are prepared to present elaborate and cogent reasons why they should be chosen.

Let us get everything ready for the locating committee may start on its journey of inspection in the next month or two—Abilene Reporter.

BARBERSHOP CHANGES

Tom Morris is New Proprietor of Hotel Wright Barber Shop.

Mr. Morris needs no introduction to the people of Sweetwater. He has many friends and a man who appreciates friendship. He is in a position to offer to Sweetwater one of the best barbershops in West Texas with full electrical equipment, bath connections, individual lavatories and everything sanitary. In fact this shop is up to date in every respect. You can't go wrong by giving it your support.

On leaving Sweetwater I want to thank those who have given me their support and ask that you do as well by Mr. Morris as you have by me. Hoping some day to return to Sweetwater from which other business now takes me. Bart Wilkinson, Hotel Wright Barber Shop.—Adv. 311-32.

ACTRESS ILL

Baby Marie Osborn Recovering From Operation for Appendicitis

Special To The Reporter.
BROWNWOOD, Jan. 31.—Baby Marie Osborn, youngest moving picture star, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis at a local sanitarium here. She appeared at the local theatre and was taken ill while en route to Belton. The party hastily returned here. Baby Marie was making a tour of Texas having appeared at Sweetwater, Abilene and other cities. Engagements at Temple, Waco, Fort Worth San Antonio and other points had to be cancelled as a result.

Salts Fine for Aching Kidneys

When Back Hurts Flush Your Kidneys as You Clean Your Bowels

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, sometimes get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region begin drinking lots of water. Also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is intended to flush clogged kidneys and help stimulate them to activity. It also helps neutralize the acids in the urine so they no longer irritate, thus helping to relieve bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which everybody should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean. A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in trying to correct kidney trouble while it is only trouble. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.

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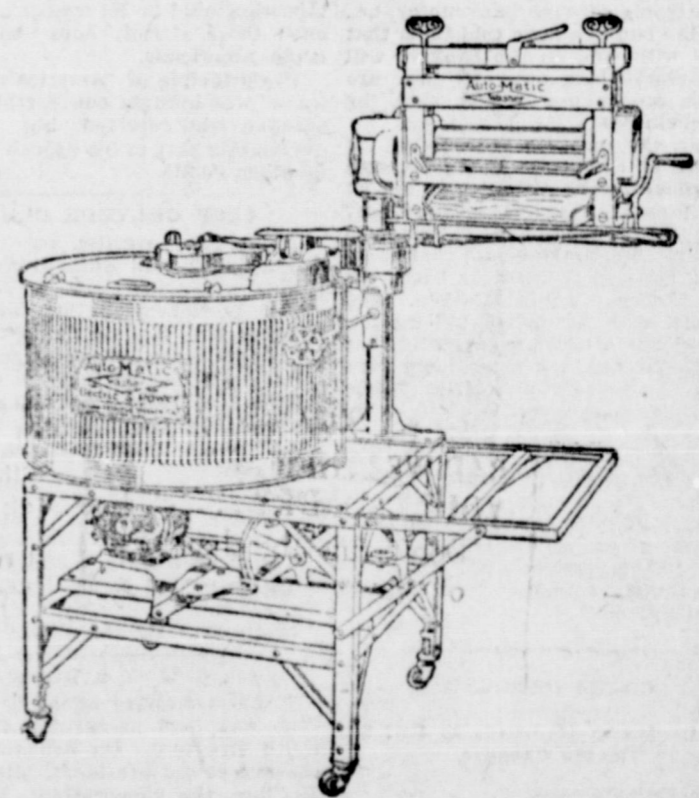
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Nolan County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon Daniel Monteith, and the unknown heirs of said Daniel Monteith; Mrs. M. C. McGlasson and her husband, M. C. McGlasson and the unknown heirs of the said Mrs. M. C. McGlasson and her said husband M. C. McGlasson; J. N. Carlile, and the unknown heirs of the said J. N. Carlile; J. S. Cordill, and the unknown heirs of the said J. S. Cordill; Ben Etheridge and wife M. A. Etheridge, and the unknown heirs of the said Ben Etheridge and his wife M. A. Etheridge; B. F. Hargrove, and the unknown heirs of the said B. F. Hargrove; D. T. Wardlow and wife Maggie Wardlow, and the unknown heirs of the said D. T. Wardlow and wife Maggie Wardlow; W. F. Walker and wife May Walker, and the unknown heirs of the said W. F. Walker and wife May Walker; W. H. Brasher and wife F. J. Brasher, and the unknown heirs of the said W. H. Brasher and wife F. J. Brasher; R. E. Edmison and wife Theo E. Edmison, and the unknown heirs of the said R. E. Edmison and wife Theo E. Edmison; and G. H. Johnson, are defendants and the cause of action being alleged as follows: Plaintiffs sue for the title and possession of the following described land and premises, situated in Nolan County, Texas, being a tract of land 42 feet in width east and west by 100 feet in length north and south out of Lots Nos. 1 and 2, Block No. 8, Eastern addition to the town of Roseco, Nolan County, Texas, more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point in the north boundary line of said Lot No. 1 and said Block No. 8, which said point is 38 feet westerly from the northeast corner of said Lot No. 1, and Block No. 8; Thence southerly, at right angle and parallel to the east boundary line of said Block No. 8, across said lots 1 and 2, a distance of 100 feet, to a point in the south line of said Lot No. 2; which said point is 38 feet westerly from the southeast corner of said Lot No. 2; Thence at right angle, westerly, along the south boundary line of said Lot No. 2, a distance of 42 feet, to a point in the south line of said Lot No. 2; Thence at right angle northerly and parallel to the east boundary line of said Block No. 8, across Lots Nos. 2 and 1, a distance of 100 feet, to a point in the north line of said Lot No. 1, which is 80 feet westerly from the northeast corner of said Block No. 8; Thence at right angle, easterly, along the north line of said Lot No. 1, a distance of 42 feet to the place of beginning. Plaintiff also sues for \$2,000 damages, and for rents at the rate of \$200 per annum, alleging same to be a reasonable rental value for said prop-

erty; for costs of suit and for general and special relief, all of which is more fully set out in plaintiff's original petition now on file in said court. Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on said day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Sweetwater, Texas, this 29th day of January, A. D. 1923. DAN CHILDRRESS, Clerk District Court, Nolan County, Texas. Jan. 31-Feb. 7-14-21.

CARD OF THANKS

The Parent-Teachers Association extends thanks to the Reporter for its gracious cooperation with us in putting through the New York Artists Course just closed. We feel that the help of the Reporter enabled us to make a success of the programs without financial loss.

We also wish to thank the Methodist church for use of their curtains and J. I. Fayne Furniture Company for stage properties used in the production of the Cox and Box play.

Parent Teachers' Association.

The Priscilla club meets tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. S. V. Williams from 3 o'clock until 5.

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OLD FIRM BANKRUPT

BAIRD, Jan. 31.—Benjamin Boydstun, in mercantile business in Baird for 34 years, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities are listed as \$188,240.24 and assets at \$366,051.71. Exemptions for \$24,150 are claimed.

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Pork Roast, pound	25c
Pork Sausage, (Pure) Pound	25c
Spare Ribs, pound	25c
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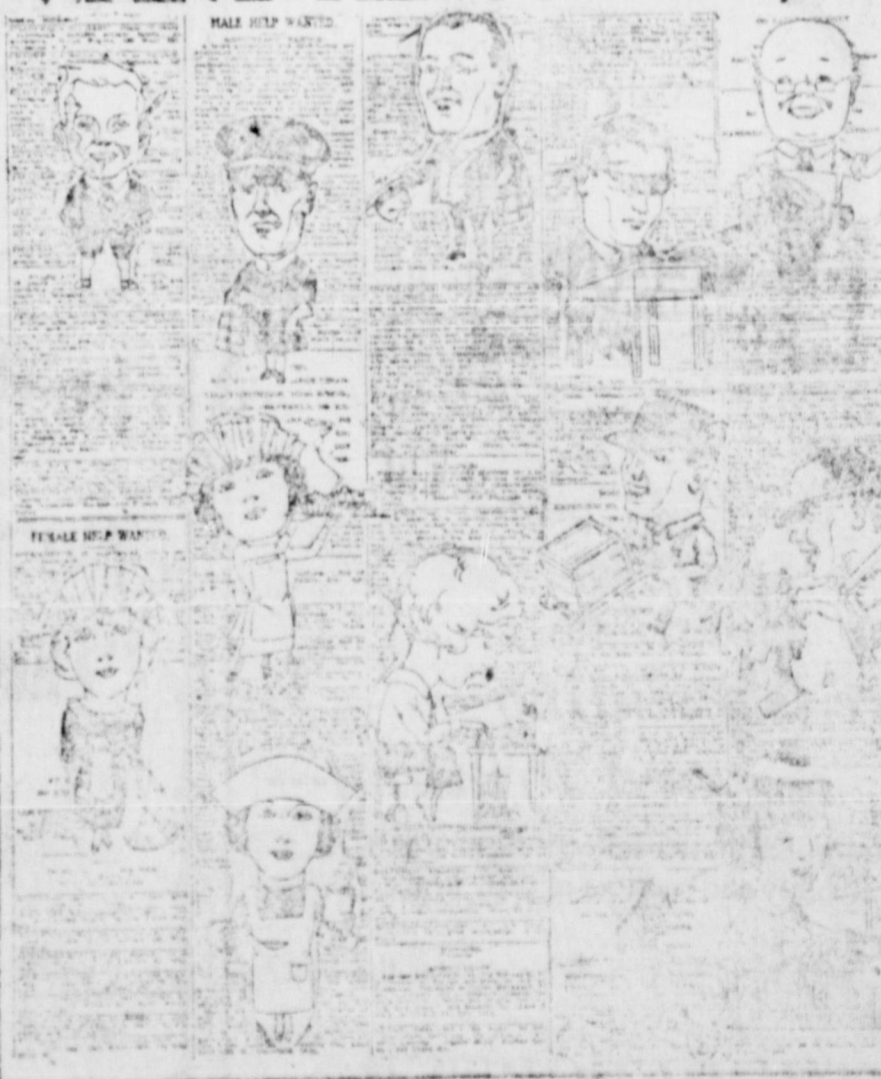
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BY HENRY L. FARRELL,
(United Press Sports Editor.)

By The United Press.
NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—"Save boxing" and "For the good of baseball" are two of the best chestnuts of modern times.

They are slogans for campaigns that have nothing to do with sport.

Boxing and major baseball are not sports—they are highly commercialized amusements.

If boxing hasn't sufficient virtue to save itself, it ought to be lost.

When club owners ask the public to do something "for the good of baseball," it is just the same as appealing to the public—"Come and help me make more money."

Baseball isn't the national pastime and neither is boxing. If both were to be stopped by law, the nation would go ahead just the same. More real citizens by far are engaged in playing tennis, golf, billiards, handball, and other forms of amusement than in baseball or boxing.

Boxing is a good form of entertainment when it is considered merely as such. The trouble is that those interested in boxing for what they get out of it try to make it appear as something else.

Professional boxing is nothing but prize fighting and the men engaged in professional boxing are prize fighters, no matter by what other name they are called.

To refer to boxing as the "manly art of self-defense" is silly and it is done for the purpose of covering up what it really is.

Very few professional boxers could take care of themselves in a hand-to-hand encounter. Few of them showed an inclination toward real fighting when they had the opportunity in 1917. Their idea of self-defense was to stay at home.

Most of them went to training camps as "instructors." One of them, a world's champion up to the present time, was discharged from a cantonment in Ohio because he would not obey the few regulations that the camp commandant laid down for him. What good the American soldier got out of learning to box when he went into action is a mooted question. Boxers say that the instructions made the American army and won the war.

It is doubtful, however, if Sergeants Woodfill or York were boxing champions of their company, or if they even

knew how to block or lead. Both knew how to shoot and that's what was really necessary when they got down to it.

Boxing in modern times largely is a profession taken up for the purpose of getting rich by certain classes of citizens who would have a tough time earning a living in anything but a white suit.

If they do not know enough to keep their own game clean and on the level, it should not be saved. It will take more than an organization of idealistic "sportsmen" to save boxing when the men in the game do their best to kill it.

There are some exceptions. Perhaps there are a dozen fine citizens in the boxing game. They must feel mighty lonesome and terribly ashamed at times.

Promoters of professional baseball cannot be criticized so severely. The players as a whole are of a type slightly more advanced than prize fighters. Perhaps they don't get the chances that the prize fighters do. When the major league club owners talk about doing things for the good of baseball and the grand old national pastime, they should not be censured. They are deserving only of sympathy.

Professional boxing can be shown in its true light by figures from Madison Square Garden. In the first twelve days of 1923, the total receipts for prize fights at the Garden were in excess of \$151,000.

Charles Stoneham, owner of the Giants, spoke for baseball when he said four extra Sunday dates at the Polo Grounds next season would mean \$100,000 for him.

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AMUSEMENTS.

AT THE QUEEN THEATRE.

Jack Hoxie, foremost among present day Western stars, is at the Queen Theatre today in "The Marshal of Moneymint," a rapid-fire drama modeled along the lines of his previous successes, but with many new twists and turns both in plot and in action to distinguish it from its predecessors.

"The Marshal of Moneymint" tells the story of a twofisted youngster who, alone and unaided, rids a little Western town of a band of evil-doers who have attempted to turn it into a den of lawlessness and iniquity. Incidentally, in so doing he wins for himself a bride, but not before many obstacles have been swept aside. Mr. Hoxie's support includes some of the best-known players of the screen, prominent among them Claude Payton, a "heavy" of great ability. Miss Andree Tourneur handles the leading lady role in her usual deft and appealing fashion. A good sized audience witnessed the play this afternoon and classed it as a most satisfying one in every way. A good comedy makes this program an entraining bill.

AT THE PALACE THEATRE.

The ceaseless struggle of heredity versus environment enters upon an absorbing duel for the integrity of the innocent daughter of an erring mother, in the brilliant Ziegfeld production, "The Black Panther's Cub," which is being shown at the Palace Theater to-

day, tomorrow and night, in which Miss Florence Reed, the stage and screen favorite, plays the double role of the "Black Panther" and her "Cub." This play was adapted from the popular story by Ethel Donohoe, which was suggested by Swinburne's well-known poem "Faustine," the screen version is a swiftly moving drama which unfolds amid the glittering effervescence of Parisienne cafes and gambling circles.

"Faustine," or the "Black Panther," a feted courtesan, is the mistress of a notorious gambling palace in Paris. Society and the nobility of more than one country flock to her establishment and are eager to be caught in the snares of her scintillating charms.

Florence Reed, in the final scene between mother and daughter, in which the mother dies from a shot intended for another, lifts the picture above the thrill of melodrama to the living tragedy of a life squandered past all reclaiming, in despair lest its influence fall a heritage upon innocent shoulders, Miss Reed has reached the pinnacle of her success in this difficult dual role.

A Larry Semon comedy, "The Agent," and a jim-dandy one too, completes this entertaining and unusually good program.

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FOR CHIEF OF POLICE:—
W. R. (Buck) JOHNSON, (re-election.)

BRACK MITCHELL.

FOR CITY SECRETARY:—
W. H. BARTLETT (re-election.)

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