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## SPORTS FEATURE OF ANNUAL MEET

West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention At San Angelo Bristles With Many Picturesque Contests.

### WATER FIGHT WILL BE STAGED

Trap-Shooting, Rodeo, Tennis, Swimming Races, And Many Other Events Are Scheduled May 21, 22, 23.

### Special to The Reporter.

SAN ANGELO, May 2.—Sports will be a feature of the fifth annual Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention here May 21, 22, 23. Included in this will be trap-shooting, tennis, golf tournaments, water fights, rodeo and many other interesting events.

The water fights are open to all teams of firemen from any town affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. All contestants are required to register at convention headquarters. Chief Parker of the San Angelo Fire Department, has charge of the fights. A handsome silver-mounted hose nozzle will be donated by the Eureka Fire Hose Department of the United States Rubber Company of Dallas to the winner of the water fights to be staged here by the fire departments of the West Texas jurisdiction of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Trap-shooting will be daily features at the San Angelo County Club during the convention. The events are open to all contestants from towns affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Handsome trophies are offered by San Angelo for first, second and third high gun records out of 100 targets. All contestants are required to register at convention headquarters. M. L. Mertz is chairman of the trapshooting committee.

The final program of the cowboy sports features will occur Wednesday afternoon, May 23. It will be open to all contestants from towns affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The events are:  
Broncho Busting Contest—First prize, \$25 cash; second prize, \$10 cash; third prize, \$5 cash.  
Cigar Race—First prize, \$25 cash; second prize, \$10 cash; third prize, \$5 cash.

No entry fee will be charged, but all contestants are required to register at convention headquarters. Will J. Sanders, of San Angelo, is director.

### SHERWOOD IMPROVING.

Special to The Reporter.  
SHERWOOD, May 2.—Sherwood, just across Spring Creek from Merzon, an Orient railroad town 27 miles west of San Angelo, is making marked improvement in building and business. New homes are going up, a new garage is under course of construction, new homes are contemplated and additions are being made to others.

Among the most recent improvements noted are: Dr. Langford, recent arrival, has completed a new bungalow, at a cost of \$2,250; Mr. Wagner, recent arrival from Stiles, is building a garage and bungalow home; J. R. Kiser, grocer, is building an addition to his store; A. D. Gentry has purchased the place of Mary E. Murphy estate and is renovating the place at an estimate cost of \$1000. A number of Sherwood residents are having plans prepared for new residences.

Copious rains and bright prospects are stimulating new growth.

### IN NEW HOME

Dr. and Mrs. L. G. Morony have moved into the Baptist parsonage and the dirt will soon begin to fly in preparation for the construction of the new church building proper. The new parsonage is not entirely completed, but Dr. Morony moved in order to expediate matters. The old parsonage is being moved from the church site intact.

### LAND SELLS.

E. Sanders has sold to B. F. Mays of Taylor County a quarter section of land five miles west of Maryneal for a consideration of \$3,200 or about \$20 per acre.

Mrs. G. W. Hoover of Fisher County was in Sweetwater Monday on business.

### WOMAN HANGED.

One of Few Ever Hanged On American Continent Goes to Death.

By The United Press.  
FORT SASKATCHEWAN, Canada, May 2.—Florence Lassandra, the first woman to be hanged in Canada in 24 years and one of the few ever hanged on the North American continent, went to her death on the gallows here today.

Her hanging followed that of Emil Picarello.

The two were convicted of the murder of Steve Lawson, a member of the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police.

## GERMANY SENDS OFFER OF PEACE

Official Announcement Made By German Government That 30 Billion Gold Marks Available, Only.

### NO COMMENT BY FRANCE MADE

Unknown Yet Whether Or Not France Will Accept German Offer—Expect Evacuation of Ruhr.

By The United Press.  
BERLIN, May 2.—Germany made its first actual offer for a solution of the Ruhr difficulties in a note to be dispatched to the Allies today.

Under the terms of the proposal, which was announced officially here, Germany would pay the basic sum of thirty billion gold marks as reparations due the Allies under the treaty of Versailles.

If France accepts, Germany would expect the evacuation of the Ruhr Valley and the resumption of the previous system of payments.

The German note agrees that if this proposal proves unacceptable, an international commission such as suggested by Secretary Hughes some months ago, be empowered to determine just how much Germany could pay.

A copy of the note was also dispatched to Washington.

No comment from France relative to the proposal was available late this afternoon.

### WANTED FOR FORGERY.

Local Officers Work Over T. & P. Train And Arrest Phil Cooper.

Phil Cooper, colored, who was indicted by the last grand jury on a charge of forgery, was taken from a Texas & Pacific freight train Tuesday night and lodged in jail here by local authorities.

It is alleged that Cooper gave "cold checks" to a number of local merchants.

## BOYS IN PARADE

School Boys Are Led By Boy Scouts In Observance of Boy Week—Picnic For Boys Friday Night.

The future presidents, attorneys, business men, teachers, preachers, printers and convicts of this town marched in parade formation to the Court House Wednesday afternoon, where a very interesting address was delivered by E. I. Hill, District Attorney.

The parade of the boys of Sweetwater, led by the Boy Scouts and their drum corp, was a part of the ceremonies in connection with Boy Week, which is being observed here this week.

A very interesting exhibit of Boy Scout work was mounted on a motor truck following the Scouts.

Boy Week will close with a picnic supper for the boys at City Lake Friday afternoon.

The 6-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Miller died at the family residence in the South part of the city Tuesday night. The burial was held Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Mrs. Hubert Toler took Merline Toler and six friends to the Santa Fe Lake Tuesday night and served them a picnic supper. Included in the group was J. N. Davis from Dallas, the professor under whom Hubert Toler graduated when at Hico.

## BAND TO CONCERT SAUNDERS FACING TONIGHT AT 8:30 PERSONAL RUIN

First Open Air Concert Present Season From Band Stand Opposite Hotel Wright By Booster Band.

### FEATURING MUSIC WEEK HERE

Orchestra Will Give Concert Thursday—Self Culture Club Musicales—Choral Club Entertained.

The first open air band concert of the season and the second program featuring Sweetwater Music Week will be given tonight beginning at 8:30 o'clock when the Booster Band will play from the band stand across from the Hotel Wright.

This will be the first appearance of the band after a winter of rehearsals and a corresponding improvement in the playing of the band should be noted.

Thursday night at the First Methodist Church, there will be a concert by the Sweetwater Symphony orchestra.

The program by the Sweetwater Orchestra will be as follows:

- 1—Overture Medley, "The Best Yet" By Taylor
- 2—Lus'el Overture By Dumont
- 3—Vocal Solo—"Call Me Back Pal of Mine" By Miss Hemby
- 4—Morning, Noon and Night In Vienna By Roberts
- 5—The Rosary By Strubbe
- 6—Vocal Solo—"Caroline In The Morning" By Miss Hemby
- 7—Poet and Peasant By Suppe
- 8—Sunny South Selections By Lampe

The orchestra is composed of the following ladies and gentlemen:

- Miss Mickey Cutberth, piano.
- Claude Henderson, clarinet and director.
- Miss Ella Nealy, first violin.
- Miss Luck Cutberth, first violin.
- Sam Goldman, trumpet.
- C. A. McCorkle, trombone.
- Armond Casstephens, oboe.
- M. C. Manroe, bass.
- George Conley, drums.
- Paul Harris, second violin.

### Musicales Thursday.

The Self Culture Club will contribute a musicale to Music Week on Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at the Wright Hotel. Refreshments will be served. The public is cordially invited to come and enjoy number given by: Messrs Ernest Wright, J. A. McCurdy, Jim Butler, Earl Harris, Mrs. Carl Ragland, Miss Ruby Hemby, Little Misses Leona Ruth Butler, Louise Toler, will give musical readings, Miss Drago, piano solo.

Special violin trios by Mrs. Henson, Miss Nealy and Mr. Harris.

A Senior and Junior High School chorus of 85 voices led by Miss Emma Nicholson will close the program. Miss Wanda Drago will be accompanist for the program.

### CHORAL CLUB.

The first program of Sweetwater's Music Week proved to be a most pleasing social function as well when the Choral Club entertained the members of the different clubs of the city as well as the Snyder Choral Club at a musical tea at the Hotel Wright Monday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Refreshments were served the ladies from a table distinctively decorated with cut flowers with Mrs. E. C. Brand presiding at the tea and coffee urns.

The numbers by the Choral Club were exceptionally well rendered and enthusiastically received. They included "The Bells of St. Mary" and the "Bridal Chorus" from Cowen's "Rose Maiden" with "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginia" as a finale.

Miss Mary Douthit played in her own inimitable manner a "gavotte" by McDowell and the brilliant "Nightingale" by Liszt.

The Snyder ladies present included: Mrs. W. M. Morrow, Mrs. H. W. Waterman, Mrs. M. E. Rosser, Mrs. J. M. Newton, Mrs. R. A. Walker, Mrs. Fritz Smith, Mrs. J. E. McLanahan, Mrs. C. E. Fish, Mrs. W. W. Hamilton, Miss Luette Strayhorn, Miss Lois Sears and Miss Dimple Gross.

Mrs. J. L. Bennett was present from Colorado.

## SAUNDERS FACING PERSONAL RUIN

Piggly Wiggly Magnate Admits That Bankruptcy is Staring Him In Face As Result of Wall Street Raid.

### TRYING TO SELL STOCK SHARES

Using Full Page Advertisements For Purpose—Full Pages In Memphis Press Admit Personal Liability.

By The United Press.  
MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 2.—Clarence O. Saunders, Piggly Wiggly magnate, who drove the shorts to cover in a raid on Wall Street recently, admitted today that he faced personal bankruptcy.

"Wall Street Right" is the heading on a full page advertisement run by Saunders in local papers here today.

"Unless I sell Piggly Wiggly Class A stock, I go broke," continued the advertisement.

The admission that he faces defeat following the startling coup in which three to four million dollars is said to have been taken from Wall Street, is made by Saunders in an appeal for the sale of stock.

He is seeking to sell 50,000 shares at \$55 the share.

## MAKE STANDARD

Dallas Cotton Men Call Meeting To Protest New Standards For Cotton Sold Enacted By Congress.

By The United Press.  
DALLAS, May 2.—Representatives of the bureau of agricultural economics will confer with Dallas cotton merchants, buyers, sellers and others interested in the cotton industry at a meeting here tomorrow, called by Geo. S. Willman, president of the Dallas Cotton Exchange.

The cotton standards act, enacted by the last congress, will be the principal matter for discussion. It has been indicated.

This act stipulates that all cotton sold, both foreign and domestic must be sold under description of the equal to American standards as regards grade and staple, and attaches a heavy penalty for cotton sold otherwise. This act has caused persons familiar with the proposed workings of the act a great deal of concern, according to Willman.

### THE COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK COTTON.  
Op'ng High Low Close Close Today Yes'y  
May 27.85 27.77 27.20 27.75 27.30  
The Sweetwater orchestra.  
Oct. 23.75 24.21 23.75 24.12 23.85

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.  
Op'ng High Low Close Close Today Yes'y  
May 26.30 28.45 26.30 26.78 26.30  
July 25.90 26.37 25.71 26.29 25.93  
Oct. 23.31 23.66 23.23 23.65 23.33

SPOT MARKETS.  
Today Close Yes'y  
New York 27.75 27.50  
New Orleans 27.00 27.00  
Dallas 26.50 26.20  
Houston 27.10 26.80  
Galveston 27.35 27.00  
Sweetwater 25.35 25.00

CHICAGO GRAIN.  
Close Yes'y  
Wheat:—  
May 1.19 1.20  
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Oats:—  
May .50 .50  
July .51 .51  
Corn:—  
May .44 .44  
July .44 .45

### GIN MAY COME.

F. G. Gazzell of New Orleans Looks Over Local Field—May Locate.

F. G. Gazzell of New Orleans was in Sweetwater Tuesday looking over the local field relative to building a new gin and cold press plant here.

He negotiated with Bray and Reano while here and Mr. Bray is very optimistic concerning the situation.

### TEXTBOOK SKIRMISH.

Those Seeking to Set Aside Textbook Award Win Tilt In House.

By The United Press.  
AUSTIN, May 2.—The proponents of the Pope text-book bill which seeks the annual the awards made by the Text-book Commission last December, won their first skirmish in the House today when they voted down a point of order raised by Representative Bell that the matter did not come under the provisions of the Governor's call for the special session.

The vote was 52 to 58.

## SWEEPING PROBE ON AT UNIVERSITY

Every Freshman And Sophomore At Northwestern University In 1921 Summoned For Examination.

### BODY WAS BURIED IN QUICKLIME

Skeleton of Leighton Mount, Northwestern Freshman, Found At The Evanston Pier Monday Night.

By The United Press.  
CHICAGO, May 2.—Leighton Mount, Northwestern University freshman, was killed during interclass hazing and his body placed in quicklime in a Lake Michigan pier, police chief Charles Leggett of Evanston and physicians declared today.

Mount disappeared after a class fight among university students in 1921.

The skeleton was found Monday night. All class rivalry contests were banned at the University today as a sweeping probe into the young man's death got under way.

Chief Leggett announced that every student who participated in the sophomore-freshman "rush" in 1922 would be summoned for questioning.

### CATTLE MOVING.

Santa Fe And Texas & Pacific Swap Cars at Sweetwater, Enroute to Grass.

The Texas & Pacific turned over 24 cars of cattle to the Santa Fe at Sweetwater Wednesday loaded at Midland and going to pastures. Eight of the cars were consigned to Perico and the balance to Western Kansas points.

The Santa Fe turned over six cars of stock from Miami consigned to Odessa on the Texas & Pacific.

Mrs. Randall of Gonzales is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Joe Boothe, she will also visit her daughter, Mrs. Jennings of Cleburne on her return home.

## SEARCH IS IN VAIN

Wireless Waves Fail to Find Trace of Chubby Little Verner Alexander, Son, Who Was Kidnapped.

By The United Press.  
SCHENECTADY, N. Y., May 2.—Wireless waves called vainly through out the night for news of the six year old Verner Alexander, the kid napped son of the chief engineer of the radio corporation of America.

The chubby little victim of the kidnapping, which has enlisted the aid of wireless amateurs throughout the United States, was not found, although discriptions of the boy and appeals for assistance were broadcast.

### TODAY'S RADIO WEATHER.

By Sweetwater Vulcanizing Co.  
West Texas to-night fair. Somewhat warmer in the Southwest portion. Thursday fair. Warmer except in the Southwest portion.  
General Weather Conditions. The prime low pressure area prevails in the Gulf Coast region, causing light to moderate to locally heavy scattered rains in portion of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Western Kansas, Southwestern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Western Tennessee and Alabama.  
High pressure prevails over the northern Rockies causing freezing in Montana accompanied by fair weather west of the Missouri River.

## BUSINESS STRIKES ITS HIGHEST PEAK

Summary of Condition Compiled by Federal Reserve Bank, Shows Extent Of Upward Trend Of Markets.

### FAILURES LARGELY DECREASE

Building Figures Attain New High Levels—Rail Freight Figures Show Highest Total in Their History.

By The United Press.  
DALLAS, Texas, May 1.—The summary of general business conditions, as compiled by the Federal Reserve Board for the first quarter in 1923, shows the country generally to be, in some respects, in more prosperous condition than in the boom days of 1920.

Further increases in production of basic commodities, in wholesale prices, employment, wage rates, and wholesale and retail trade, have taken place since the last report.

Production in basic industries, according to the Federal Reserve Board's index, increased four per cent in March to a level eight per cent higher than at the 1920 peak and 67 per cent above the low point of 1921.

The output of pig iron, steel ingots, automobiles and crude petroleum, and the mill consumption of cotton exceeded all previously reported monthly totals. Building operations showed a further large expansion and the value of contracts let for residences in March was the highest on record. Railroad freight shipments have been larger every week this year than in the corresponding weeks of the past four years.

Car shortage has been reduced to the lowest point since September, chiefly as a result of the addition of new equipment, a decrease in the number of bad order locomotives and cars, and a concerted effort to increase the average loadings. Employment in the building trades and in many lines of manufacturing continued to increase in the Eastern states. The surplus of unskilled labor in the West reported in earlier months is being gradually absorbed by the seasonal increase in farm work. A number of leading textile mills, steel mills, and packing plants announced general wage advances ranging between 11 and 12 1/2 per cent, and numerous wage advances in other industries also were reported.

Trade.  
March sales by department stores reporting to Federal Reserve banks, were 22 per cent above those of March a year ago, partly because Easter purchases were made in March this year, whereas, last year such purchases were largely deferred until April. Stocks of goods held by department stores were six per cent larger than those held a year ago, but this increase was not as large as the increase in sales and hence the rate of stock turnover has been somewhat more rapid. Sales by mail order houses were larger than for any month since November, 1920, and 25 per cent larger than March, 1922. Wholesale trade in all reporting lines was larger than in March a year ago.

Wholesale Prices.  
Wholesale prices, as measured by the Bureau of Labor Statistics index, advanced 1.2 per cent during March and were 15 per cent above the low point of January, 1922. As in recent months, the prices of metals and in building materials showed the greatest increases, while fuel prices showed a further decline from recent high levels. Compared with a year ago metals were 37 per cent and building materials 28 per cent higher. The cost of living increased slightly more than one per cent during March to a level of three per cent higher than a year ago.

Bank Credit.  
During the month prior to April 11, a more moderate growth in the demand for credit for member banks in leading cities resulted in an increase of about \$48,000,000 in their loans made largely for commercial purposes, as compared with an increase of \$235,000,000 in the preceding month. Through withdrawal of funds from investments and a further inflow of gold, member banks have been able to meet demands of their customers for increased credit and currency independently of the reserve banks.

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**SPEED.**

Some auto drivers in this town like to show off by whipping around corners in a hurry—to speed up when starting in order to make the shift from second to third gear fast—these things, in addition to downright speeding.

These things may show a driving technique—they also show a distinct lack of grey matter.

It may be necessary for some of these drivers to kill somebody, and have a dead face peering at them, that of a little child, maybe, during their waking hours and in their dreams at night, in order to affect a cure of their recklessness.

It would be a fine thing if reckless driving in this town could be curbed without an accident, however.

**SPRING.**

Spring is a most desirable season of the year. From time immemorial it has affected the poets and writers, who have poured out their mental reaction from the stimulus of the morning of the year in one form and another. It affected the philosopher editor of the Albany News, thusly: "We went out driving last Sunday down toward Ilex, and the flowers, the grassy dells, the bird songs and the fructified air just made us want to shout for joy—and we did. Yes, the hills are covered with the fragrant sweet pea blossoms, and the Texas Blue Bonnets were nodding to the breezes down in the fertile valleys. Of course, we ain't never been to Italy,

and beheld her blue skies, towering mountains and beautiful bays, neither have we been to California and gone rambling through her orange groves, nor strolled through her flower gardens, nor sat beneath the shade of her giant Red Wood trees and we expect that it is a grand sight to behold. But shuckin's, out here in grand old Shackelford County, where the gods plant the wild flower seeds, and they grow without cultivation, and the cloud isles, nature's great irrigation scheme, dips the water from the Gulf Streams and minus dams and ditches and locks, and the April showers, as gentle as the morning dew, give life and vitality to all plant life, without money and without price, and oh, such a lovely wild flower garden. Then

there is Hubbard Creek, as clear as crystal, jumping over water falls, and frisking around the boulders, and the bass and the channel cat gobbling up the red worms and live minnows—yum, yum, fried crisp and brown—it's the paradise of creation, and it's just a little ways over there to where God builded the beautiful Eden. Come to Shackelford County."

**SWIMMING PARTIES.**

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NEW POINT-TEX SATIN PUMPS

J. P. COWEN'S New Shoe Store.

## BUSINESS IS BETTER.

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sequently, the total volume of Federal reserve bank credit, measured by total earning assets, has remained relatively constant during the past month, and in fact since the seasonable liquidation at the turn of the year. The volume of Federal reserve notes in circulation has also changed but little as the larger demand for hand to hand money has been met chiefly by an increase in other forms of money in circulation. There has been little change in money rates from those prevailing in March.

### Failures.

The business mortality rate for the first quarter of 1923 showed a distinct improvement over the corresponding period of 1922. In point of number, failures for the first quarter of the current year disclose a decrease of 42.6 per cent from those of last year, while the indebtedness was smaller by for 1923 is still high, despite the improvement in the general business situation, is shown by the fact that failures are well above the average for the similar period of time, went far more stabilized. Showing that a firmer hold is being taken in management, which will mean a smaller percentage of failures for the next report of 1924. Failures in all lines which heretofore reached an embarrassing degree, held its own during the period, showing that conditions now exist far better for these businesses to maintain their place without hindrance.

### Building.

Building operations in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District reached a high water mark during March when the valuation of building permits issued at the eleven principal cities, amounted to \$11,661,391. An immense expansion in building operations was not able in all the larger cities of the district. The valuation of building permits issued during March exceeded February valuation by 65 per cent and the March, 1922 valuation by 222 per cent. Although the year 1922 was considered as a record building year, the record set during the first quarter of 1923 indicates that the present year will exceed all previous records. The valuation of permits issued during the first quarter of 1923 amounted to \$25,191,094, as compared to \$15,485,525 during the same period of 1922, or an increase of 62.7 per cent.

Building operations in Sweetwater in 1922 were unusually good, but according to the permits issued and that will be permitted shortly in all classes of construction, 1923 will easily exceed all previous years in the erec-

tion of buildings, and in many instances will double and even triple some of the past years building construction.

Mrs. Lang Aycock entertained the bridge club this afternoon.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Benton at 603 Oak street Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

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### Clean Kidneys By Drinking Lots of Water

Take Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder Bothers or Back Hurts

Eating too much rich food may produce kidney trouble in some form, says a well-known authority, because the acids created excite the kidneys. Then they become overworked, get sluggish, clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region, rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, begin drinking lots of good water and also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity; also to neutralize the acids in the system so that they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

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## FIDDLERS' CONTEST

Thursday Night, May 3rd

The biggest night's entertainment ever staged in Sweetwater.

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The best talent from Five Counties Participating.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL**

Sam Glass made a business trip to Longworth Tuesday.

J. H. Snell has returned from a visit to Galveston.

H. C. Norwood of San Angelo, was in Sweetwater Tuesday on business.

Leland Williams and W. J. Behrens of Abilene spent Tuesday in Sweetwater on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sanders of Nolan were in Sweetwater Tuesday on business and shopping.

W. H. Bartlett returned from Breckenridge Tuesday, making the trip by auto.

Mrs. Tom Moore has returned from Dallas where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Featherstone.

J. H. Fulford is attending the Cotton Oil Mill Men's Convention in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

W. E. Bradford of Midland is a business visitor in Sweetwater. He is registered at Hotel Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scuddy left Tuesday night for Christoval where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. E. A. Goodenow of Chicago, is visiting her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stiff.

L. L. Culwell of Shallowater and Miss Iva Dawson of Eastland, secured a marriage license from County Clerk Gus Farrar Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Snell and Miss Mae Snell will leave Thursday for Dallas, where they will spend a few days in that city.

Hemstitching and picot work done promptly and accurately done. Singer Sewing Machine Co., one door north of Wright Furniture Co.—(Adv.)

Wm. Ferris of Chihuahua, Mexico, is spent Wednesday in Sweetwater, being en route to Rochelle, on business and was a guest at Hotel Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dimmer left Wednesday to visit relatives in Galveston for the summer. They expect to come to Sweetwater in the early fall.

**SAVED SICK SPELLS**

**Black-Draught Found Valuable by a Texas Farmer, Who Has Known Its Usefulness Over 30 Years.**

Naples, Texas.—"I have used Theford's Black-Draught for years—I can safely say for more than 30 years," declares Mr. H. H. Cramer, a substantial, well-known farmer, residing out from here on Route 3.

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Mr. Cramer writes that he is "never out of Black-Draught," and says several of his neighbors prefer it to any other liver medicine. "I always recommend Black-Draught to my friends," he adds.

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**AMUSEMENTS.**

**AT THE PALACE.**

When F. Scott Fitzgerald, the 25-year-old author, wrote "The Beautiful and Damned," he did more than merely write one of the cleverest stories ever come by an American; he immortalized the flapper.

In discussing his book he said: "The idea of writing the story dawned on me when I realized that the girl of today is different from her sisters of the past.

"I picked on the flapper," he continued, "because she is independent and bravely unconventional. Those I saw when I used to run down to New York from Princeton, fascinated me, and I decided that here was a rich character waiting to be exploited.

"I wanted something different, not the sweet wishy-washy type of girl heroine, who marries after a pallid romance and the curtain drops. I found the girl I was looking for and made her into Gloria Gilbert, heroine of my story."

The Palace Theater presents "The Beautiful and Damned" for the first time this evening. Marie Prevost portrays the gay flapper wife, Kenneth Harlan Tully Marshall, Harry Meyers and Louis Fazenda co-star in the picture.

**FIDDLERS TUNING UP.**

Fiddlers, fiddle players, and violinists are getting all turned up. Yes, and—

If the list of the notable instrumentalists who are to take part in the Old Time Fiddlers' Contest Thursday night is any criterion, there will be keen excitement at the Palace Theatre, for this event will be one of the most exciting and entertaining staged in Sweetwater for many a day.

In addition to the local talent competitors, a number of neighboring towns and counties have entered their names. In confidence of their ability to carry off the honors.

In addition to the fiddling contest, a diversified program has been arranged. In the list the following instruments have been entered, including guitars, mandolins, banjos, har-



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**STERILIZATION.**

In discussing legislation in connection with the health department, Dr. W. H. Beazley, state health officer, said, in reference to the proposed sterilization law, "insanity has increased at a rapid rate; that it is inherited in about 65 to 70 per cent of instances, at the present time. There is an instance where insanity in one of the institutions covers four successive generations.

"While the majority of cases come from inheritance, this inheritance in reality is mostly due to syphilis, which is destroying more people than tuberculosis. Very little is being done to combat venereal diseases, and nothing practically is being done to prevent insanity.

"I have also been an advocate of sterilization, not only for insanity, but for major criminal acts. This is not a new idea as it is now being practiced in several of our sister states.

"In a review of 105 girls in maternity homes for fallen girls, 100 proved to belong to the group of feeble minded.

"If both parents are feeble minded,

almost to a certainty the off-spring will be feeble minded. If only one parent is subnormal, a normal child may be born, whose child born in after years will be feeble minded. Thus it is handed down for generations. An apparent normal person may be a 'carrier' of the condition. About 70 per cent of defectives show one or both parents in similar condition.

"Many thousands of dollars are spent each year caring for the ten thousand inmates of our state institutions for those suffering from the various degrees of insanity. The productive power of a like number of normal individuals would go into the millions, whereas the present condition throws the balance in the other direction. The

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 Co-Starring  
**"THE EGG"**  
 —A Comedy—  
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normal citizen is taxed in increased states. proportions each year to carry this "There can be no question, but that burden, which is controllable by a lit. it would be a Christian move to pro- tle judgment and the putting into exe- test future generations from such a cution of sterilization laws. Such horrible state of belonging to that ar- laws are now practised in several my of idioey, insanity, etc."

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 All of our Silk Camisoles reduced to 50c, this includes a stock of Camisoles that sold as high as -----\$2.00  
 Girl's Princess Slips, lace trimmed, wonderful values, original selling price, \$3.50, now for -----\$2.59  
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 One lot of Flesh Colored Summer Unions, Silk Jersey Tops, regular selling price \$2.25 for -----\$1.48  
 Ladies' good quality summer Vest, regular 25c, while they last, 7 for only -----\$1.00  
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