

NEGRO IS ARRESTED NEAR BLACKWELL FOR MURDER

Nolan County Authorities Capture John Smith, Wanted In Connection With the Killing of J. F. Kuhn, Farmer And Deputy Sheriff of Rowena Thursday—Confession Made.

FEELING RUNNING AT HIGH HEAT IN RUNNELS COUNTY

All Negroes Ordered to Vacate Rowena While Hundreds of Men Joined in Search for Kuhn's Slayer—Killing Followed Argument Over Crops On Kuhn Farm—Smith a Tenant.

John Smith, negro, wanted in Runnels County in connection with the killing at Rowena of J. F. Kuhn, farmer and deputy sheriff, was arrested shortly after 1 o'clock today a few miles this side of Blackwell, by Nolan County authorities and is lodged in the jail here.

Authorities of Runnels County have been notified. Feeling is running very high at Rowena, all negroes having been notified to vacate and hundreds of men joining in the search for the negro.

A lynching is feared and whether or not the negro would be taken back to Ballinger, had not been determined at the hour of going to press.

The negro was found walking up the road in the direction of Sweetwater. After being notified of the killing, Sheriff Yarbrough immediately got in touch with the south end of the county by telephone and was informed by Tom Carlisle at Blackwell of a negro answering to the description of the one wanted. The arrest followed.

The negro made a full confession of the crime, according to Sheriff Yarbrough. He offered no resistance to arrest.

A big blood-covered revolver used in the killing was taken from him.

ENROUTE NORTH

Ablene Trade Trippers With Special Train Shift to Orient Here From The T & P—Third Time Here

For the third time in less than 24 hours, the special train bearing the Abilene Trade Trippers passed through Sweetwater Friday shortly before noon enroute to Hamilla on the last leg of their journey through West Texas.

The train arrived from the West after visiting Big Spring, Colorado and Rosten, getting in at 11:25. There was only a short pause here, long enough for a Texas & Pacific switch engine to shift the Pullmans to the Orient railroad tracks, where another locomotive hooked on for the trip to Hamilla.

Chief of Police Johnson boarded the train here to collect street taxes from the party, which he stated they owed the city for passing through here so much. They promptly kidnapped him and took him along, however.

While the parade was being staged here Thursday, somebody went all through the train and plastered all luggage as well as the cars with stickers bearing the words: "I came through Sweetwater." Many of them were still in evidence Friday morning.

The trip to Lubbock Thursday afternoon was made in record time, a speed of 70 miles an hour being attained at times. The party left Lubbock late last night and went through Sweetwater during the wee small hours of the night.

FOUND GUILTY.

A man giving his address as Claytonville was tried in Corporation Court before Judge Yantis Thursday afternoon on a charge of disturbing the peace. He was found guilty and paid the usual fine with customary trimmings amounting to \$12.70.

BALE \$210.

FORNEY Texas, Aug. 24.—The season's first bale of cotton was ginned here August 23rd, by the Moore Bros. Gin. The bale weighed 438 pounds. The owner sold it for 24 cents a pound and received a premium of \$105, making a total of \$210 for the bale.

AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Rev. A. C. Hollis of Tennessee will preach at the Church of Christ Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and that evening at 8 o'clock. Bible study begins Sunday morning promptly at 10 o'clock. Every one is extended a cordial invitation to attend these services.

TWO "GONGS" AT SAME TIME.

DALLAS, Aug. 24.—Just as the clock in the Central Fire Station at 9:31 a. m. a fire alarm was turned in from box 931. Veteran firemen assert this is the first time with in the memory that such an incident has occurred.

Mrs. Rufus Wright and son, Ralph, are expected to arrive home tonight from Plainview where they have been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. E. Ivey.

TO AWARD CUP.

Tennis Championship To Be Decided At Lubbock.

LUBBOCK, Aug. 24.—The West Texas Championship Tennis Tournament to be held at Lubbock, August 27 and 28, is creating much interest. Many entries have been received and as they will be expected up until time of drawing, August 28, at 11:45 a. m., at the Public Library, many more are expected.

The Lubbock Tennis Club is offering two loving cups. One for doubles and one for singles. These cups are trophies well worth striving for.

This is a West Texas Tournament and every town that has a tennis club or players is invited to enter. Any number of men from each town may compete. Applications should be sent by mail or wire to President Otis J. Felty, Lubbock Tennis Club, before August 27.

NEW TESTAMENT RE-WRITTEN NOW

All Books of New Testament Including Lord's Prayer Put in "American-ese" is The Announcement.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO AUTHOR

Dr. Edgar Goodspeed, Head of New Testament Department, Offers Bible in "Street Language."

By The United Press.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 24.—The entire New Testament, including the Lord's prayer has for the first time been translated and rewritten in "American-ese," Dr. Edgar J. Goodspeed, head of the New Testament Department of the University of Chicago announced today.

By the completion of this remarkable work, Dr. Goodspeed said that the Bible is now offered to the public in the language of everyday life.

The translation is peculiar in the ancient Greek language in which much of the Bible was originally written and passages which were obscure in meaning or distorted have been made clear, he said.

As an example: "Children are 'born' and got 'begat,'" and in every passage, the language used is that of the daily press.

Dr. Goodspeed asserted that it was the intention to make the Book understandable to all and popularize it so that it would become worn with use and not "shelf worn."

The translation of the Lord's Prayer in the new version follows:

"Our Father in Heaven, Your Kingdom Come. Give us today bread for the day. And forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors. Do not submit us to temptation, but save us from the Evil One."

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday services at the Methodist church are announced as follows: Sunday school at 9:15 a. m., Judge A. S. Mauzey, superintendent. Subject of the morning sermon at 11 o'clock by the pastor will be what the Articles of Religion hold to concerning Christ, the Son of God. At 8:15 o'clock Sunday evening, the pastor will speak on the question of "Highways." Every one is extended a cordial invitation to all these services.

WILL HAVE MUSIC

Services At The Baptist Church Sunday To Be Featured With Songs And Orchestra Selections.

The first Baptist church is contemplating a large attendance at both the morning and evening services Sunday, when special music and songs will be rendered.

Mr. Embry, new choir director of the church, announces that there was a good attendance at the choir rehearsal Thursday evening, and that a special number will be rendered by the choir at the services Sunday evening.

At the morning services, Rev. Morony, pastor of the church will speak on "Christ Lifted Up." Mr. and Mrs. Embry will sing: "He did not Die in Vain."

In the evening, the pastor will preach on "The Glory of Gospel," with "Grace Enough for Me," as a solo. The choir will sing "His Love is Like a Flower." The church orchestra will assist at both the morning and evening services.

All are cordially invited to attend.

USE OF COTTON IN NATION GROWS

Nearly Million Bales More Cotton Consumed In United States During Year Ending On the 31st of July, 1923.

CARRY-OVER SUPPLY MUCH LESS

Nearly 800,000 Bales Less Old Cotton Carried Over Into New Crop Year—More Spinning Mills Operating.

Special to The Reporter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 24.—The following is the annual statement of the Department of Commerce upon the domestic supply and distribution of cotton for the year ending July 31, 1923: 6,664,710 bales of cotton, exclusive of linters, were consumed in the United States during the year, compared with 5,999,820 bales for 1922; 4,892,672 bales for 1921, and 6,419,734 bales for 1920.

The exports of cotton, exclusive of linters, during the year amounted to 4,822,689 bales compared with 6,184,694 bales for 1922; 5,744,698 bales for 1921; and 6,643,336 bales for 1920. The carry over of cotton in the United States on July 31, 1923, was 2,087,919 bales, compared with 2,831,553 bales for 1922, 2,252,260 bales for 1921, and 3,563,162 bales for 1920.

Bales included above were:

Consumed for 1923, 6,277 sea-island; 55,126 American-Egyptian, 261,326 Egyptian, and 80,862 other foreign; held in consuming establishments, July 31, 1923, 2,947, sea-island, 10,524 American-Egyptian, 86,508 Egyptian, and 25,988 other foreign; and held in public storage and at compresses, 4,070 sea-island, 18,697 American-Egyptian, 51,444 Egyptian, and 19,744 other foreign. There was imported during the year 329,235 bales Egyptian, 21,185 Peruvian, 80,240 Chinese, 45,679 Mexican, 22,169 British Indian, and 1,352 other.

Cotton spindles in place on July 31, 1923, exclusive of doubling and tripling, 35,415,554 compared with 36,945,554 in 1922, 36,617,594 in 1921, and 35,834,465 in 1920, the increase during the past year being 451,777.

RETURNS HOME.

Company A, 135th Artillery of the Texas National Guard, spent part of Thursday in Sweetwater, returning to Plainview from a fifteen-day stay at Camp Stanley, San Antonio. The soldiers, who arrived in Sweetwater on the Texas & Pacific and departed for Plainview over the Santa Fe, were delayed a day on their return hom by a wreck caused when two engines collided near San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wight, Misses Annie and Mary Wight of Sweetwater, and Hugh Wight of Dallas, left Friday morning for an auto trip to points in New Mexico and Colorado.

BARON KATO DIES

Japanese Premier Hailed As Friend of Peace—Headed Japanese Delegation To Arms Conference in U. S.

By The United Press.

TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 24.—Baron Kato, premier of Japan, died here today. Kato, one of the foremost Japanese statesmen and military leaders, died suddenly after a lingering illness of some weeks.

He was made premier last year and announced a peace program and the development of friendship with the United States.

He headed the Japanese delegation to the Washington Naval Limitation Conference and his elevation to the premiership was hailed as the inauguration of an auspicious era of Japanese-American relations.

He first came into prominence during the Russo-Japanese war as one of the heroes of the great sea battles of Tushima in which the army of Russia was wiped out by the Japanese fleet, commanded by Admiral Togo.

Work was started today on the new four room cottage on Pine street of R. E. Withers. When finished, it will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Setfert.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Hall of Weatherford, former pastor of the Methodist church, visited Mrs. G. E. Ramsey and Mrs. Emmett Glass here for a few days and then went on to Lubbock, where they will visit relatives.

WOOL MAN BROKE.

Geo. Richardson of San Angelo Tells Of Losses.

Special to The Reporter.

SAN ANGELO, Aug. 24.—A personal fortune of \$500,000 and how it dwindled into the hands of a receiver, was told by George Richardson, former wool commission merchant, on trial here on charges of forgery, based on a note bearing the name of M. A. Wilkerson.

Richardson said that his wool clip of 120,000 pounds, recognized as one of the best produced in America, fell off in price from 90 cents a pound in 1920 to 23 cents the next year.

Richardson said that he signed the notes with no intent to defraud, but in a last minute effort to stave off financial disaster.

The jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

UNION MEN HEAR TWO ORGANIZERS

H. E. Roberts And George Slatter, Both From Dallas, Deliver Addresses Here in O. C. F. Hall.

SPEAK OF FARM LABOR UNION

Organization Has 150,000 Members In North and East Texas of Union Men And Farmers Combined.

H. E. Roberts of Dallas, representative of the Texas State Council of Carpenters and George Slatter, also of Dallas and representing the Texas State Federation of Labor, spoke to a fair sized crowd of union carpenters and farmers at the I. O. O. F. Hall here Thursday evening. These men are making a tour of this section of the state, addressing the farmers and union men in the interest of organized labor.

Mr. Roberts was introduced by W. F. Ward, and in his speech addressed chiefly to the carpenters present. Mr. Roberts told of the work the union was doing, of the work done on their present tour and of the ideals the union was striving for.

"The Texas State Federation of Labor," he said, "has a special legislative board who work to pass bills that will help the working man. The latest work done by the board is to put through a bill raising the injured workman's compensation from \$15 to \$20 a week."

He stated that Mr. Slatter, who is a member of that board, was largely responsible for the passing of that bill.

In his address, Mr. Slatter gave a brief history of the Federation of Labor, and stated that its three main purposes were organization, education and legislation. He told of the Texas Farm Labor Union with its 150,000 members in the north, east, southern and central portions of Texas.

Mr. Slatter also spoke of the work the joint legislative board was doing at Austin in the interest of organized labor.

"This legislative board," he said, "is responsible for compulsory education in Texas. It is also responsible for the free text books, and it works for all that stands worth while to the working class."

This was the first visit of Mr. Slatter and Mr. Roberts to this part of the state and they declared that they were agreeable surprised with the civilities and with the crop conditions of the west.

MRS. WIGGIN DIES

Author of "Mrs. Wiggins In The Cabbage Patch." And Among The Best Known American Women Novelists.

By The United Press.

HARROW, England, Aug. 24.—Kate Douglas Wiggin, author of "The Bird's Christmas Carol," and "Mrs. Wiggins of the Cabbage Patch," died in a private hospital here last night, following an operation.

Mrs. Wiggin was one of the most celebrated women novelists of the United States. She was born in Philadelphia in 1859 and became early interested in philanthropic work, organizing free kindergarten for poor children, etc.

She published many books and achieved a wide reputation in the United States and Europe as a novelist. A quaint whimsical humor distinguished much of her work.

J. D. Whitworth has just completed two new bungalows on the south side.

THREE FLOGGERS GET TWO YEARS

Sentenced At Tulsa Following Confession to Charges Brought By Ben Wagner, Farmer, Near Tulsa.

EIGHT OTHERS DENY COMPLICITY

Were Identified By Wagner, However—3 Men Sentenced Said They Were Ku Klux Klansmen.

By The United Press.

TULSA, Okla., Aug. 24.—Three members of a flogging band who admitted their guilt to charges of whipping Ben F. Wagner, farmer, were sentenced to two years in the penitentiary here today.

All three said they were members of the Ku Klux Klan. They gave their names as Ben Sikes, Grover Sikes and Earl Sack, all living in the village of Broken Arrow.

Wagner identified the trio and also eight others who were arrested, but who denied their guilt. Wagner said that the members of the band were clad in the full regalia of the Ku Klux Klan and that while he, himself, was masked, the mask was made of thin material so that he could readily see through it.

This is believed to be the first instance where alleged members of the Ku Klux Klan have been sentenced in any court.

The sentenced men were placed under guard and it is believed that they will be used as witnesses against others who are alleged to have taken part in the whipping.

Attorney for the defense, Ed Crossland announced in court that his clients would waive preliminary examination and bonds were set at \$1,500.

The men were immediately taken to another room in the Court House, confessed and were sentenced by District Judge Williams, all within 40 minutes after they were brought in.

All wore overalls and blue shirts and had the appearance of laborers.

KLAN HEAD GLAD.

By The United Press.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 24.—"We are always glad to learn of the capture and punishment of floggers," declared a high official of the Ku Klux Klan here today.

This statement was made when the official was shown a dispatch from Tulsa, Okla. telling of the conviction there of three confessed Klansmen for flogging.

"We would not turn a hand or spend a penny to defend a Klansman guilty of crime," the official said. "Instead, in a case where we have known of a Klansman being guilty of a crime, we have turned him and the evidence over to the authorities. When a Klansman violates any of the statutes of the State or Nation, we consider it a more heinous offense than as if any individual outside the Klan had been guilty. Every Klansman takes an oath that he will obey the law and support the authorities in the enforcement of law. When this oath is violated, banishment from the Klan follows."

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BRITISH GET OUT.

By The United Press.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 24.—The British began the evacuation of portions of Turkey today in accordance with the terms of the Lausanne treaty, recently ratified by Turkey. The embarkation of heavy artillery is already under way.

Mrs. C. B. Payne is visiting in Abilene today.

THE COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK COTTON.

Open High Low Close

Oct.	24.20	24.40	24.15	24.20	23.96
Dec.	24.15	24.31	24.06	24.15	23.90

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

Open High Low Close

Oct.	23.60	23.74	23.55	23.60	23.38
Dec.	23.60	23.74	23.56	23.62	23.37

THE SPOT MARKET.

Galveston, 24.65.

Houston 24.50.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Wheat—Sept. 102.5; Dec. 106.5.

Corn—Sept. 83.4; Dec. —.

Oats—Sept. 28.6; Dec. 40.6.

TODAY'S RADIO WEATHER.

By Sweetwater Vulcanizing Co.

West Texas tonight and Saturday generally fair; warmer in northern portion.

General Conditions. The prime high pressure prevails in the Missouri River valley region, causing fair weather and temperatures below seasonal average.

SWEETWATER REPORTER

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SKIRTS

The attempt to make American women again wear long skirts appears to have failed. While women made noticeable concessions in the way of lengthening their skirts, the sidewalk sweeper was unable to attract any large following nationally.

Short skirts are coming back of ficially. This is shown by the new fall models displayed at the National Merchandise Fair in New York. Some designers are predicting that, by next summer, skirts will be as short as ever. Meantime, men increasingly adopt knee pants-knickers.

So runs the sand through the hourglass.

LOAFING

The average American is working 35 minutes a week less than he worked two years ago. So reports National Industrial Conference Board.

In the long run, the number of hours worked does not matter as much as how hard we work when we're on the job. It is quite easy to make a day's work of grinding an ax.

The Board finds that the average American works about 50 hours a week. Obviously, it didn't include the hours of housewives, whose work is never done.

GEESE FLY SOUTH.

Special to The Reporter.

FORT WORTH, Aug. 24.—Pointing to a sure sign that summer is on the wane, the first flock of wild geese was seen hovering over Lake Worth early Thursday morning, according to E. W. Dyer of the Fort Worth park department.

Dyer, who resides on the lake shore, said he was awakened before dawn by the squawks of the flock that had flown southward seeking a milder climate.

OSCULATION.

A prominent germ expert says the only safe place to kiss a girl is on the back of her neck, but we look for some opposition to that theory and we



shouldn't be surprised if some objections came from the girls, too.—Plain view News.

We rather think the neck kissing is all right. There is quite as much decoration on the back of the neck as there is on the face. They don't use quite as much paint on the neck as on the lips. If Jess thinks this neck kissing style will be alright for Plainview people, it ought to become fashionable over the rest of the country. As far as we are concerned the back of the neck kissing goes. But if this should be adopted as the custom who can say the style might not change and the girls begin to paint the back of their necks. When you get away from one difficulty, it seems you jump into another.—Scurry County Times.

The attention of ladies who may have suffered neglect in osculatory matters is respectfully called to the two above statements. In the towns

named it would seem that there was a considerable degree of expert knowledge available along certain lines, a knowledge and expertise which may be lacking elsewhere.

Miss Catherine Griffith of Dallas is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Manse Wood, and grandmother, Mrs. E. V. Grogan.

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FROM ICE TO COAL.
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ICE COLD Watermelons Wade Market

This don't mean maybe
That after September 1st, all our business shall be on cash basis.
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF SWEETWATER.

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT NOTICE BE GIVEN OF THE INTENTION OF THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS, UPON ITS OWN MOTION, TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID CITY FOR APPROVAL OR REJECTION CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE EXISTING CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS.

Whereas, it is the opinion of the Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, that Section 1, of Article XV; Sections 1 and 3 Article XVII; Section 1 of Article XII; Section 14 of Article XIX; and Section 11 of Article IV of the existing Charter of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, are deficient in many respects, and that such Sections should be amended and other provisions added thereto and substituted

thereafter, so as to meet present conditions and to the end, that said City of Sweetwater may be more efficient and satisfactorily governed, and to allow the making of necessary improvements; and

Whereas, the Charter of said City has not been altered by amendment within two years next preceding this date;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Commission of Sweetwater, Texas: That in accordance with the provisions and requirements of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, authorizing cities of more than five thousand (5,000) inhabitants to adopt or amend their charters, approved April 7th, 1913, notice is hereby given to all to whom it may concern, that the Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, acting upon its own motion, and by virtue of the powers granted by said Act, intends to pass an ordinance on the 29th day of September, A. D., 1923, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City, an election to be held thereafter for that purpose, substantially the following amendments to the existing Charter of the City of Sweetwater, Texas:

AMENDMENT NO. 1.

To amend Section 1, Article XV of the Charter of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, so as to hereafter read as follows: "Section 1." (a) The City of Sweetwater shall have exclusive domain, control and jurisdiction in, over and under the public streets, avenues, alleys, highways, boulevards, and public places and grounds of said City, and shall have power to provide for the improvements of any public streets, avenues, alleys, highways, boulevards, or places of paving, widening, raising, grading, filling, repaving or re-surfacing, or otherwise improving same, and the construction thereon of sewers, drains, curbing, gutters and sidewalks, including engineering work and supervision and other incidental costs, charges, and expenses in connection therewith. The word "highway" as used herein shall include all streets, alleys, avenues, boulevards and public places in the said City. The City of Sweetwater shall have the right and power to assess against the property abutting highways or sections thereof improved, and against the owners thereof, the whole costs of constructing curbs and sidewalks, and

not exceeding three-fourths (3-4) of the remaining costs of said improvements. The Commission of said City shall have the power to apportion the cost payable by the respective parcels of abutting property and the owners thereof, and to fix a lien against such abutting property therefor, which lien shall be superior to all other claims, liens or interests, except city, county and state taxes, and to fix a charge and personal liability against the owners of such property.

The portion of the cost assessed against abutting property and owners thereof may be payable in deferred installments and the Commission shall have power to fix the time and terms of payment, but the last installment shall mature not later than five years from the date of the completion and acceptance by the city of the improvements for which assessments are levied, and assessments shall bear interest at the rate of eight per cent (8 per cent) per annum. Said assessments shall include reasonable attorney's fees and costs of collection. If incurred, and the city shall have full authority to issue assignable certificates in evidence of the assessments levied.

(b) The City of Sweetwater shall have the power to assess and shall assess against the owners of steam railways and street railways occupying or crossing any highway, or portion thereof improved, the entire cost of making such improvements, including, besides other work, any extra or additional work or improvement necessitated thereby between and under the rails, tracks, switches, or turnouts and for two feet on each side thereof, which, when assessed shall be paid by the owners of steam railways or street railways occupying or crossing any highway or portion thereof improved, and the amount so assessed shall be secured by a lien assessed upon the roadbed, rails, ties, tracks, franchises, and other property, real, personal or mixed, used in the operation of said street railways or steam railways, which lien shall be superior to all other liens, claims or interest in or upon said property, except ad valorem taxes.

The City shall have full power to levy such assessments in accordance with the terms hereof. Said assessments shall include reasonable attorney's fees and the costs of collection, if incurred, and the ordinance making same shall provide for the time and terms of payment and for interest upon deferred payments as herein provided.

(c) No assessment shall be made against any abutting property, or owner thereof or against any railway or street railway or owner thereof until after hearing given to said owners and to all others interested before the Commission preceded by notice of the time and place of such hearing addressed generally to such owners and others interested, without the necessity of specifically including their names or specifically describing their property, which notice shall be published in some newspaper of general circulation in the City of Sweetwater, Texas, at least three times before the date fixed for such hearing, and the first of which publications shall be at least ten days before the date of such hearing.

The Commission shall have power for additional notice in its discretion, but said published notice shall be sufficient and binding upon all interested parties notwithstanding that other and additional notice may be provided for and not given, or if given should be faulty, erroneous or defective for any reason.

At said hearing the owners of abutting property and of said railways and street railways, and all other parties interested, shall have the right to contest said assessment either as to the benefits to abutting property or as to the amounts of assessments, or as to any error therein or any error or invalidity in any proceeding with reference thereto, or with reference to the apportionment of the cost of the improvements, and shall have the right to produce testimony and summon witnesses in support of such contest, and the City Commission shall after said hearing determine the amounts, if any, to be assessed, and shall make said assessments by ordinance.

Whenever, in the opinion of the Commission, any error, mistake or invalidity exists in any proceeding with reference to said improvement or assessment, it shall correct the same and shall have power to make a re-assessment against said property and the owners thereof with reference to which such invalidity exists, and it shall be its duty to do so when requested by the person or persons entitled to compensation for making said improvements or by the holder of any assignable certificate issued therefor. Such re-assessment shall be made after notice of hearing in the manner and for the length of time herein provided for original assessments and not in excess of the benefits in enhanced value to the property assessed, and otherwise as near as possible in accordance with the provisions hereof with reference to original assessments, and the Commission shall have the power by ordinance to fully provide any and all rules and regulations necessary to carry into effect the provisions hereof relative to assessments and re-assessments.

After such re-assessments, the City shall have the power to issue assignable certificates evidencing the same as hereinbefore provided, and the conditions of said certificates and the recitals thereof shall, as near as possible comply with the provisions hereof relating to, and have the same force and effect as certificates in evidence of valid original assessments.

No re-assessment shall be made unless proceedings therefor are begun within three years from the date of the completion of the improvements and acceptance thereof by the City for which the original assessment had been levied, but if the validity of any assessment shall be involved in litigation, the period of litigation shall not be considered in computing said three years.

(d) Any property owner, or railway or street railway, or anyone else interested or affected and against whom or whose property an assessment has been made, shall have the right within twenty days thereafter to bring suit in any court having jurisdiction, to set aside or correct the same either in whole or in part or on account of any error, irregularity or invalidity in the amount thereof or in any proceeding with reference thereto, but thereafter such owner and all others in anywise interested or affected shall be barred and estopped from any such action and from in anywise contesting the validity or enforcement of any such assessment or re-assessment in

any action in which the same may be brought in question. If such suit be brought, the construction of the improvements may be suspended until the final determination thereof.

(1) The Commission shall have the right to determine the nature and extent of the improvements to be made, and the materials, methods, plans and specifications under which the same shall be constructed and shall have the right to let the work in making same by contract, and shall have the right to specify different or alternative materials, methods or plans.

(2) Except as herein expressly provided the owners hereby granted shall not receive any power or right of the City given by general law, or other provisions of this Charter, but the powers hereby granted shall be cumulative and in addition to such other powers and rights.

AMENDMENT NO. 2.

To amend paragraph 2 of Section 1 of Article XVII, of the Charter of Sweetwater, Texas, so that said paragraph No. 2 shall, in future, read as follows:

To buy, own, construct or lease, maintain and operate, within or without the City limits, a system or systems of water works, sewer plants, hospitals, parks, gas plants, electric lighting plants, telephones, street railways, and such other public utilities as may be proposed by the Commission and submitted to a vote of the people under this charter, and to demand and receive compensation for services furnished for private purposes, or to exercise the right of eminent domain as hereinafter provided for the appropriation of lands for rights of way that may be proper and necessary to efficiently carry out said objects; and after any such system or systems of water works or sewer plants shall have once been installed and in operation then the Commission, upon its own motion, may extend the same in or outside the City limits and provide for the sale of water or the privileges of such sewer system, inside or outside the City limits; and provided, further, that in the event of a lack of sufficient funds in the city treasury to pay for such extensions, the City Secretary shall, when so directed by the Commission, issue treasury warrants to pay for such extension or extensions.

AMENDMENT NO. 3.

To amend Section No. 3, of Article XVII, of the Charter of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, so that said Section shall, in future, read as follows:

Municipal Service.—The rates charged for service furnished by any of the municipal utility plants shall be just and equitable, and there shall not be allowed to any person, firm or corporation, or to any officer or employee of said City, any service free of charge, except if may provide free service for buildings owned or operated by the City. That in determining the rates to be charged and collected for such service, the cost of operation, maintenance, depreciations, replacements, betterments, interest charges, and the creation of a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal and interest of any bonds issued for the acquisition, construction or improvement of any such public utility, shall be taken into consideration. That the revenues derived from the operation of any such public utility plants shall, first, be appropriated and used for the payment of operating expenses, for maintenance, interest and depreciation accounts, for replacements and betterments and the payment of interest and providing a sinking fund for any outstanding bonds or indebtedness created or assumed for the purpose of the purchase, construction or improvement of any such plant, together with at least three per cent (3 per cent) on its gross earnings to be applied to an emergency fund for the sole use and benefit of said utility plant; and after such application of the revenues of such utility plant, if there be any surplus, the City Commission may then, in its discretion, apply any part or all of such surplus or revenues to the payment of the current expenses of the City, or to the improvement of the streets in the City.

That the rates of service may be so regulated so to produce sufficient revenue to pay, when due, the charges required herein.

That no person shall be employed in the service of the City with reference to the public utility plants, in any position requiring skill and technical knowledge peculiar to the operation and conducting of any utility plant, who is not competent and who has not had practical and actual experience in a same line of work.

The Commission shall have the power to make rules and regulations governing the furnishing of service by such utility plants to patrons thereof, and for payment for such service, and to provide for a penalty for failure to pay for such service, when due, and to provide a penalty for violation of the rules and regulations, for the use of the service of such utility plant without the consent and knowledge of the proper City authorities, and to provide for penalties for all interference, trespassing or injury to any municipal plants, appliances or premises.

AMENDMENT NO. 4.

To amend Section No. 1 of Article XII, of the Charter of the said City of Sweetwater, so that the same shall, in future, read as follows:

Section 1.—Power to Levy.—The City Commission shall have the power, by ordinance, to levy and collect, within the City, an annual tax of not exceeding one dollar and thirty cents on each one hundred dollar's (\$100.00) worth of property as assessed for taxes, for general revenue, streets, and bridges, and to pay the annual interest and provide for a sinking fund for all outstanding bond issues and other valid obligations owing by the City at the time of the adoption of this Charter. The Commission shall have the power to levy and collect such additional amount of annual tax as may be necessary to pay interest and provide sinking funds for such additional issues of bonds for City purposes, authorized by the laws

of the State of Texas and by this Charter or any amendment thereto under Sections of this Charter, when said proposed bond issues and tax levies shall have first been submitted to a vote of the people and shall be adopted and approved; and the Commission shall have power to levy such additional taxes for city purposes, which shall first be authorized by a vote of the people.

AMENDMENT NO. 5.

To amend Section No. 14 of Article XIX, of the Charter of Sweetwater, Texas, so that the same shall, in future, read as follows:

Section 14.—Compensation.—The Mayor shall receive as compensation to be paid from the City Treasury an amount to be fixed by the Commission which shall not exceed the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars per annum. Commissioner No. 1 shall receive, as compensation for his services as such Commissioner, the sum of Twenty-five Dollars per month, to be paid from the City Treasury; and said Commissioner No. 1 shall, in addition to his duties as Commissioner, be in charge of the construction and operation of all water works systems and sewer systems owned and operated by the city, and shall receive, as compensation for such additional services, such compensation as may be provided by the Commission, not to exceed One Hundred and Fifty Dollars per month.

Commissioner No. Two (2) shall be in charge of all street construction and improvements, and shall devote his whole time to such services, and shall receive, as compensation for such services, the sum of One Hundred Dollars per month, to be paid out of the city treasury.

AMENDMENT NO. 6.

To amend Section 11 of Article IV, of the Charter of Sweetwater, Texas, so that in future, the same shall read as follows:

Section 11.—Auditing Committee.—The Commission may, upon the first regular meeting in August of each year, appoint a committee of three persons, which shall be styled, "Auditing Committee," to examine and audit all expenditures and funds paid by the Commission or any of its officers.

Adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commission, this August 16th, 1923. Approved, JOE H. BOOTHE, Mayor.

The State of Texas, County of Nolan,

City of Sweetwater, I, W. H. Bartlett, City Secretary of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original, as now on file in my office.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, this August 17th, A. D., 1923. (Seal) W. H. BARTLETT, City Secretary, City of Sweetwater, Texas.

SQUALL HIT LAKE.

DALLAS, Aug. 24.—Amateur rowers had a thrilling time of it when a sudden squall struck White Rock Lake here. Several boats on the lake were unable to reach the shore and the occupants had to weather the storm as best they could. Waves two feet high raced across the lake.

J. T. Hughes has returned from a visit to his mother at Kosciusko, Mississippi.

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TO BUILD ICE PLANT.

Special to The Reporter. COLORADO, Aug. 24.—O. Lambeth, owner of two cotton gins at Colorado and one at Westbrook, ten miles west, will build and operate a large ice and cold storage plant here, construction of which is to begin about December 1. Lambeth authorized the statement that he would build such a plant, following conference with representatives of the industrial department, Colorado Chamber of Commerce.

PAVING BEGUN.

Colorado Formally Launches Big Program For Better Streets.

Special to The Reporter. COLORADO, Aug. 24.—Excavations for the first unit of paving on Second street were commenced this week. The first contract calls for nine blocks within the business district to be paved with concrete base and two-inch top Warrentile bitulithic. A complete white way street lighting system, using 11-foot ornamental steel posts, each carrying five arc lights, is to be installed in connection with the paving.

ing. The first concrete for the reinforced concrete bridge across Lone Wolf Creek in East Colorado, went into the forms this week. This will make the second new bridge to be constructed on Second street, over which the Bankhead Highway passes through the city. The new bridge over the Colorado River was completed a few months ago.

ORIENT WASHED OUT.

Special to The Reporter. SAN ANGELO, Aug. 24.—Reviving the withered range, withering cotton and the waning hopes of West Texas business in general, the heaviest rains of the summer covered this section of West Texas Wednesday night, bringing with them a drop in the tempera-

ture to 62 degrees. The heavies fall centered at Christoval, where from three to three and a half inches is reported to have fallen, causing the South Concho to rise six feet, washing the footbridge at the Baptist encampment grounds away and endangering campers nearby. Two hundred yards of track was washed out on the

Orient near Hovey, Pecos County, as the result of heavy rains that diminished to showers near Fort Stockton.

Mrs. George Spears and children, Geo. T. Jr., and Clara, of Breckenridge are expected to arrive this evening to spend a few days here with her cousin, Mrs. Willard Gibson.

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