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BE FAIR TO THE BOYS.

The usual spring argument about taking the boys out of school and putting them to work in the fields, if not already settled in a lot of West Texas farm homes, will soon begin. The father is very busy. Plowing and planting must be done on time. It is hard to hire men that can be trusted with machinery or the horses. Hired men mean more work in the kitchen for the mother and the daughters. The school may not be interesting. The boys are dependable, like to be out of doors, and are proud to take a man's place and help with the work. That is the easy, lazy way of looking at it and the boy gives up his spring school term and becomes a rural child laborer. If that occurs two or three years in succession, he has lost his chance for an education.

The stronger, better way is to sacrifice something of present comfort and welfare. By this work this spring or next spring the boy may save to the family two or three dollars a day for a few weeks but he does it at a very great loss to himself and probably to his people. He is giving up the time that should be used to deepen, broaden, and refine his life. Besides that, if he does not get proper schooling and enough of it now, he will not be able to earn as much as he ought when he becomes a man. Then he, to, will feel that his children must give up their chances for an education and spend their childhood days at some kind of labor. So the circle goes on from father to son. Keep the boy in school. That may be the way to bring the entire family to a finer plane of life.

MILLION A WEEK

During the thirty-four weeks from April 29 to December 22, 1923, the railways of the United States loaded and hauled to destination an average of one million carloads of freight a week and recently they have again been approaching the "million cars a week" record.

Few people realize the magnitude of the operation involved in handling this much freight. The Railway Age

publishes in its current issue an article based on statistics originating with George G. Boardman, secretary of the Western Railway's Committee on Public Relations, which shows that if one million freight cars were linked together in a train, including an appropriate number of locomotives and cabooses, the total length of the train would be 8,587 miles.

"In order to visualize the magnitude of this volume of traffic," says the Railway Age, "let it be assumed that these cars could all be made up into one train and that a locomotive and a caboose be added for each 50 cars. The movement would thus call for 20,000 locomotives and 20,000 cabooses. If the 20,000 locomotives were placed at the head of the train with the forward locomotive at Savannah, Ga., and the train followed the route of the Seaboard Air Line through Jacksonville, Fla., to River Junction, these locomotives would extend continuously for 311 miles or to within 35 miles of River Junction."

"If the one million cars were placed behind these locomotives they would extend through River Junction over the line of the Louisville & Nashville to New Orleans; thence over the line of the Southern Pacific through El Paso, Tex., Los Angeles and San Francisco Cal., to Portland, Ore.; thence over the line of the Northern Pacific to Seattle, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul to Spokane and the Great Northern to St. Paul; thence to Chicago over the Chicago & North Western; on to New York over the New York Central; to Washington over the Pennsylvania and over the Southern through Atlanta and Birmingham to a point 96 miles west of the latter point.

"If the 20,000 cabooses were then added to this train it would extend 132 miles further, or to a point 10 miles north of Hattiesburg, Miss. This represents the work done every week for many weeks in 1923 by the railways of the United States."

POLITICS

Politics is usurping an increasing amount of public attention these days and will reach its climax nationally next November, when the public re-action from the Teapot Dome and other unsavory revelations at Washington will find its expression at the polls in favor of that individual or party who can make most capital from the situation.

next July, with a second interesting round in the August run-off from the first primary.

At this writing most interest centers in the gubernatorial contest. Whether the large list of candidates who have already announced will be augmented or decreased before voting time comes, remains to be seen. Lots of things can happen between now and July. But with a list of candidates as large as the present num-

ber in the race a result similar to the Senatorial race of two years ago is not difficult to foresee. Former Governor J. E. Ferguson was in that primary. It is hardly likely that he has lost any strength since that period. In this case he will assuredly be one of the two high men. Three of the candidates are said to be klansmen but it is presumable this organization will center on one candidate as it did in the case of Earl B. Mayfield. In this event Ferguson and the Klan candidate will run it off in the final primary.

KNOW TEXAS.

Fred Mann brought a message to the State of Texas recently that needs heeding. And inasmuch as it is applicable to Texas as a whole, it is applicable to San Angelo as a unit. He said, "Know Texas."

Illustrating his idea, he indicated that throughout the journey he was then taking with the San Antonio boosters he found California grape fruit sold in all the hotels, when California grape fruit could not compare with the Texas grown variety. He said the men called for Texas grape fruit at every place, and that its superiority over the California brand was unquestioned. The only thing necessary is that there be no concerted effort on the part of the Texas grape fruit producers to get their products on the market as there has been in California.

The California fruit is used extensively because it is advertised. In fact, California is well advertised. Almost every one that lives there becomes a booster for the State.

We read about California and get feverish to hike toward the Pacific, not knowing that there is not a fruit grown in California that can not be raised just as well in Texas and at less cost, and forgetful that we are two thousand miles closer to the best markets for the fruits.

Fruits and vegetables grow in as great variety in Texas, with as great a productivity and of as fine a quality as in any place in the world. Texas melons eclipse those of Georgia and the Colorado products; Tex-

as pecans are second to none; Texas agricultural products are supreme—in any line of endeavor, Texas backs down for none—but we must know about these things to the extent that we can't help from telling the rest of the world what we have here.

"If we just keep on telling them, we'll soon be selling them."

It is applicable to Sweetwater as to the State. Know your city. It has talking points so evident that they need not be indicated. If you are sold on the possibilities of Sweetwater, sell some one else on them. It's the only thing that will bring this place to the forefront in the development of West Texas.

Brevities

Buck Allen was hiking up Oak Street the other day without a hat. He explained he was moving so fast that he walked right out from under it.

Hubert Toler admits the new Chrysler is a very ordinary car in one respect—it won't run without gas. He was out demonstrating it the other day and was so interested in the proceedings that he forgot to fill the gas tank.

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Splendid are the new suits, because the designers went the absolute limit in combining style, fabric and workmanship. Ready now—for a visit from you.

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Special Music

—The special music at the Methodist church this morning will be numbers given by the choir and Miss Wilma Shivers will sing, "Grateful, Oh Lord I Am," by Caro Roma.

Miss Lucile Henthorne of Dallas will sing, "On Life's Highway", by Bertrand Brown, at the vening service during the 30 minutes song service preceding the sermon by Dr. Henson.



Can you imagine of any improvement about your home, that would cause you more gratification than a new and sanitary bathroom. I am in a position to quote you a most interesting estimate for the work—an estimate that should cause no hesitancy on your part to have the work done now. Step in and talk it over with me or phone me and I will call and talk it over with you.

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—MANHATTAN.

--And We Have Them in Stock--



--and when it comes to baking--

Every woman knows that the acid test of any range is the oven. It may be the best appearing stove that ever graced a kitchen. It may be covered with nicked ornamentation. Heat may be there in ample abundance—but what will the oven do?

Company coming—and cakes to bake, pies to make. A carefully prepared cake with expensive materials skillfully mixed, and it is ready for the oven. And in due time it is taken out with one side burnt and the other unbaked! This tragedy does not happen in homes where a

HUGHES HOTPOINT RANGE

is the hub around which the most important work of the household revolves. Meals ready always on time without fuss or trouble. Heat always even and controlled. Oven heat constant and just the temperature you want to get best results.

Many Sweetwater women have already learned the advantage of electric cooking. May we show you, soon?

West Texas Electric Co.



Quality Food With High Class Service On Pullman Diner

GOOD SERVICE

Our Coffee Shop is operated on a sensible basis, Reasonable Prices and Fair Portions. The volume of business we are now doing enables us to sell you a \$5.00 Coupon Book for \$4.25

WRIGHT COFFEE SHOP

Cliff Baldwin, Steward

The dining car patron, no matter what his complaint may be is always right.

If his disposition is bad that morning or he has a muddy taste in his mouth and the "ham and" order isn't quite up to what he thinks it should be, his complaint to the steward in charge of the diner is heard attentively and the charge marked off his bill even though the steward is dead certain that the order was cooked to perfection.

Better lose profit than have a dissatisfied passenger is the way the

company figures according to the steward on the west-bound Texas & Pacific Sunshine Special Wednesday.

"The restaurant service provided by railroads is a losing proposition anyhow," he explained, "and the most we can hope for is to make every passenger feel completely satisfied with the food and the amount of his bill."

The diners are stocked with food at Fort Worth—enough to make a round trip and to have a meal or two extra in case of delay. Stewards know almost to the loaf of bread or to the single veal cutlet how much will be needed for the trip. This amount varies, of course, with the volume of travel—some months it is light and others it is very heavy.

But the careful steward rarely has any waste at the end of the run.

Most railroads nowadays operate their own dining car service. The famous Fred Harvey system still prevails on the Santa Fe and Frisco lines however.

But the next time you are on a diner remember that you're getting the freshest of foods and the endeavor of the company to please you to the utmost.

That's what the steward said, anyhow.

Weiner Roast.

The girls of the Young People's Missionary Society enjoyed an outdoor picnic and Weiner Roast Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. A. Belcher, their leader.

After the lunch the girls enjoyed an hour of fun and frolic. They sang their class songs and practiced their camp yells.

FUND SHOWS GAIN

Parent-Teacher Endowment Campaign Progressing — Additional \$5,000 Assured V-P Says

AUSTIN, Texas, March 8.—A telegram from Mrs. Edward Kneeland, Vice President at Large of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations and Endowment Fund Chairman, states that the campaign for raising an additional \$5,000 for the endowment fund has been progressing splendidly.

"Texas is ready, willing and anxious to help us complete our second mile stone of five thousand dollars. We only need to tell the people about it," she says.

The Spring meetings are the district conferences which, beginning with the meeting of the 10th District in Corpus Christi March 20-21, close with the 6th district meeting at Sweetwater, April 29-30. These conferences are very important as in them the plans of the State Board are adopted and made practical for the counties forming the several districts. Each section of the State has its own parent-teacher problems and the discussion of those problems, the exchange of ideas and the actual experiences of clubs, clarify similar situations and aid in the practical solutions of difficulties.

Mrs. S. M. N. Marrs sends out the following message to the local Parent-Teacher Associations in regard to the district conferences:

"I wish to urge you to realize that these district conferences are your own meetings and their success or failure depends largely upon the support of the local Parent-Teacher Association gives. The district presidents are bending every effort to make these conferences all that they should be. They may arrange splendid programs, such as will bring to you the things you most need in your work, but unless you are there to receive and to give, the meeting cannot be wholly successful. So let each club determine to send one or more delegates to the district meeting. It may require a little sacrifice, but a life that makes no sacrifices can never be a full life—whether it be the life of an individual or an organization."

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Smith of Dallas are spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beall Jr.

Dinner Party.

Mrs. Robert Withers honored her husband, with a small dinner party Thursday evening in celebration of his 100th birthday anniversary.

The dining table was centered with a large birthday cake decorated with pink candles one for each of his seven years.

Loveliness As Seen in Spring Things

From every section of this store there radiates the loveliness of new Spring Things—new apparel, new fabrics, new accessories and new millinery.

Not just a few, but hundreds of new frocks on display! Every new color is represented here—every predominant style is shown.

New Spring and Summer Hats for every dress and occasion—a range of beautiful colors and styles to suit each individual at unbeatable prices.

Don't Forget the Art Needlework Contest! Begin Today

Sweetwater Dry Goods Co.
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Our Spring collection of the latest in Shoelom has arrived and is now on display. There are many new and beautifully designed models shown in new cloth and leather designs. You will find our assortment well selected and complete. Prices are very moderate.

Tucker Shoe Department

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Announcing

Al Jolson

With Isham Jones Orchestra on

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"I'm Going South."

"California, Here I Am."

"Steppin' Out."

"The One I Love Belongs To Somebody Else."

Geo. Allen Music House

316 Oak Street

PHONE 546

Say

BRUNSWICK

When You Want a

Record

Toler Announces Talking Chrysler March 13, 14, 15

Hubert Toler announces that he has completed arrangements with the New York office of the Chrysler Motor Co., to exhibit in Sweetwater beginning Thursday evening and the afternoon and evening of Friday and Saturday, March 13, 14 and 15 the famous talking Chrysler, which is characterized by the press throughout the country as the marvel of the century. That the Chrysler Corporation has actually created an automobile with brains is evidenced by the fact that this wonder car does all that is possible for the human mind—that the car talks, sees, carries on conversation, plays any music on request, recognizes people as they enter the sales room, calls them by name and does other amazing stunts. The talking Chrysler, as it is called, is a regular stock car. It is raised on jacks so that the tires don't touch the floor—a thorough examination inside and out fails to reveal wire or apparatus of any kind, yet the talking Chrysler jokes freely, flirts with the ladies, winks at the flapper, sings songs, plays all kinds of musical instruments on request sounds its horn, lights its lights, and—this is hard to believe—actually tells fortunes. It admits that this wonderful new Chrysler car always could do every thing but talk and now that it has acquired brains and a voice it is practically a human car. The Chrysler Co., has not only perfected an automobile that's the last word in mechanism but have done what science had

failed to do in the last fifty years—actually created mechanical brains. Mr. Toler is bringing this unusual attraction to Sweetwater at very considerable expense, and is particularly desirous that everyone in Sweetwater and vicinity take advantage of the opportunity thus offered to see and hear the wonder car. The exhibition is free to the public. Everybody is invited. (Adv.)

Sue Psychic Marvel

NEW YORK, March 8.—Eugenia Dennis, Kansas' "psychic marvel" and her mother have been ordered to appear in court and answer charges of accepting money under false pretenses. Mrs. Mary A. Foley, who made the accusations claims she paid Miss Dennis \$25 for information concerning her missing boy. Miss Dennis said the boy was in Los Angeles—two days later he turned up saying he had been in Pittsburg, the complainant said.

Nelson Vaughan and C. C. Pritchett captured forty-five rattlesnakes out of one den on the Colorado River one day this week. Most of the reptiles were dispatched with guns, while others were captured alive.—Colorado Record.

Priscilla Club Met.

Mrs. S. Z. Williams was hostess at a very pleasant meeting of the Priscilla Club Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. T. Hughes presided over a business session during which the annual election of officers was held. Officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. J. T. Hughes; Vice President, Mrs. E. H. McGlaunn; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. W. P. Curtis. Mrs. C. W. Breeding and Mrs. F. A. Pledger were elected new members.

Mrs. Ralph Ashburn of Colorado and Mrs. Milton Adams of Brownwood were guests of their mother and assisted in serving lovely refreshment plates.

BUY IT IN SWEETWATER

We Strive to Please EVERYBODY

But we have not yet attained this distinction, however, we are pleasing more people every day in groceries and fresh meats. By the way—

Have You Eaten One of Our Juicy Steaks

lately? If not order one for your next meal. They are delicious and so are the other cuts of meats you get from us.

Ask Your Neighbor About "White Face Flour" Nothing Better!

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Mighty Babe Ruth Best Paid Athlete In History of Sport

An innocent little footnote to the Yanks' annual contracts probably unnoticed by the lay reader, carried with it more salary than any other athlete in the United States ever received or ever expected to receive in the history of professional sport. "George H. Ruth's contract has three more years to run," it read—and that was all.

During those three years—the baseball months only—Babe Ruth will be paid \$156,000. The Babe can add \$45,000 by barnstorming. If he wants to play vaudeville in the winter he can bring up the total to \$261,000.

When Ruth has earned that \$261,000 he will be 33 years old. Just for the sake of figures we might add the two years of money already earned. It makes the total pretty close to half a million.

Half a million dollars in five years for seeking a baseball harder than any other man can seek it!

Ruth was not signed for five years, as the statement would imply. At the beginning he agreed to play ball for three years at \$52,000 a year with an option on his services for two more years at the same price. That option has been exercised.

One gets the impression that the \$52,000 means \$1,000 a week. Such, however, was not the idea when the contract was signed by the Babe and Col. Huston in Hot Springs three years ago.

Ruth insisted on \$50,000 a year. After much hemming and hawing that was agreed upon.

"Now, I ought to have \$10,000 for signing," suggested Ruth.

"No, Babe," said the Colonel, "that old idea of a bonus for signing has gone out of date. You are a business man now."

"Well, you can't blame a guy for asking, can you Colonel. All I want is an ironbound contract and that bonus. I'm asking, that's all."

"Do you know what an ironbound contract is, Babe? That means, you know, that you are bound fast, just the same as the club."

"All right," said Babe; "but I want the \$10,000."

"Well, we won't quarrel over that," said Huston. "I'll shake you for it."

"You are on, Colonel."

They rolled out a pair of dice and Ruth won. A six and a five turned up while the Colonel rolled a pair of

It was then agreed that the \$10,000 should be spread over five years at \$2,000 a year. That accounts for the \$52,000.

There is another clause to this remarkable contract, which, by the way, has never been made public in detail before. In exercising the option an arrangement was made by which Ruth is paid his salary every other month. The club holds out the money on alternate months as a guarantee of the Babe's conduct. During the last week in October he is handed the \$26,000 in a lump sum. Ruth has kept his good conduct pledge.

AMUSEMENTS

"Black Oxen," a Frank Lloyd production, released through First National Pictures and featuring Corinne Griffith and Conway Tearle, is to be the photoplay offering at the R and R Palace Theater starting Wednesday and the booking is looked upon as one of the big cinema events of the season.

The best selling novel of 1923, in book form, "Black Oxen" is said to have been greatly enhanced by elaborate filming. Dealing with the romance that develops when the rejuvenated Madame Zatianny returns to America on a business trip and finds the first true love she has known, "Black Oxen" presents more than usual interest to picturegoers, it is said. Mr. Lloyd with the aid of Mary O'Hara, prepared the scenario from which the film play was made, and as a result, critics state, the story runs its length with pleasing rapidity and increasing interest.

Corinne Griffith, regarded as one of filmdom's most beautiful and smartest dressed stars, essays the difficult dual character of Madame Zatianny, and Conway Tearle has been cast as the romanceless newspaper writer, Lee Clavering. Clara Bow, a 17 year old girl who but recently made her screen debut, was selected for the role of the flapperish Janet Oglethorpe from more than fifty well known screen ingenues and established flapper types; Alan Hale is seen as Prince Moritz von Hohenhauer; Kate Lester as Jane Oglethorpe; Claire MacDowell, as Agnes Trevor; Clarissa Selwynne as Gora Dwight; Tom Guise as Judge Trent, and Lincoln Stedman, as Donnie Fern, who had a weakness for parties and an utter disregard for Mr. Valstead and his ideas.

Fire Laddies Fool With Ether Waves While Siren Toots

There was the time when the life of a brave fireman was considered more or less heroic, the many lone hours that he was forced to sit idly by and patiently await the blast of the siren had no appeal to Mr. Average Citizen.

But time, like the old home town when you leave it for a spell, changes. And now, instead of being compelled to whittle the irksome hours away the brave and bold firemen look forward with keen pleasure to the dawn of each and every day. Rainy days, dull Sundays and blue Mondays mean nothing in the families of the fire-fighting demon.

Radio is the answer. Sojourning in the neighborhood of brass tanks, Buddy Gresham, Zack Taylor & Company have installed a modern "thing-a-ma-jig," scientifically referred to as a Pines-Eisenmann Neutrodyne—whatever that is—and boasts of three states of amplification.

Anyway, the point is, they have a radio set at the local fire station that gets all the dope from Podgok to Picadilly. A mere twist of the wrist and Buddy or Zack transfers from a slant-eyed Chink in Hongkong explaining Mah Jonge to a chatty speech by the Mayor of Eskota explaining that "it is a town and not a disease."

So, if the sirens shrieketh long and the fire trucks cometh not, censure not the brave and bold fire laddies; they are tuning in on the Hired Hand who is endeavoring to explain the material and spiritual difference between a radio bug and the bill weevil.

BARNETT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Terry spent Sunday in the Keeling home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ussary were business visitors to Loraine Saturday.

Mrs. Horace Cook went to San Angelo last Tuesday to be with her daughter Mrs. Pat Kelsey who has the measles.

O. W. Cook was a business visitor to Roscoe Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reed spent Sunday with their cousins Miss Della Mae and L. C. Gill.

John Richey and family of Roscoe spent Saturday night with his brother, W. M. Richey and family. On Sunday, Walter, Gene and G. S., visited relatives at Maryneal.

Mrs. L. C. Gregg was visiting in Sweetwater Monday.

Horace Cook and daughter, Kathryn, were dinner-guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard May of Champion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McCormick and son, Buster, went to Merkel Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. McCormick's aunt.

Mr. Fritz Sours, Sr., who has been very sick with pneumonia has not expected to live through the night Tuesday.

Several of the young people and older ones met Sunday afternoon at the school house for the purpose of organizing a Sunday school.

Miss Esther Neatherlin is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wilbur Cunningham of the Collin community.

We are sorry to report the illness of Bonnie Barrett. The doctors have pronounced her trouble to be appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Reed and children spent Sunday in the home of their son-in-law Wallace Kirkman, who is quite sick.

Mrs. G. W. Neatherlin spent Sunday in the Sours home.

Bro. Tankersley will fill his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

KEELING REPORTS

Attorney General Says Preliminaries Completed Texas - Oklahoma Boundary Suit

By The United Press.

AUSTIN, Texas, March 8.—Returning today from Washington Attorney General W. A. Keeling announced preliminaries have been completed for extradition of the Texas cross action in the Oklahoma boundary suit and that the Supreme Court gave the counsel until April 1 to submit a list of questions or statement of evidence for consideration by opposing attorneys to see if an agreed statement of facts can be had or if testimony will be necessary. If an agreement is not reached it will be necessary to appoint a commission to take testimony. The suit involves a strip of land on the eastern border of the Texas Panhandle.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church March 9th—First Sunday in Lent. Sunday School, 10 a. m.

Celebration of the Holy Communion and address, "Confession and Absolution From the Episcopal Standpoint, 11 a. m.

Litany and a Meditation, 5 p. m. Services on second and fourth Sundays. All are cordially invited.

Rev. John L. Showell, Lubbock.

First Christian Church. The subjects for sermons today by Rev. J. T. McKissick include "The Bible" and "Sin and its Relation to Character." The hours of service are 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

ADD CURIOS
The Prince Collection has been enriched recently by the following items:

An old style block and hitch post erected in 1882 by Capt. N. J. Fitz,



—COATS
and
—DRESSES

Everywhere there is Spring in the air. The sky is blue, the sun is brighter, already Mother Earth is responding to the entreaties of the warmer sunshine and the longer days.

Already blazing down Fashion's highway comes bright, colorful, smart new modes. And since you'll want to be prepared when the days are warm enough, you will enjoy more than ever, choosing from the attractive displays at Max Berman's.

COATS—The smartest of models! The softest of fabrics! The finest of tailoring! Fabrics are rich in tone, soft in texture and furnish the greatly to be desired warmth—without weight.

DRESSES—These frocks present a truly gorgeous array of tone variety in Spring's brightest colors. All the newest materials and styles of the season.

Max Berman

through the courtesy of Most New-

man. One of the first jury chairs ever used in the county also dating back to 1882, through the courtesy of Zach Taylor.

The first desk ever used by a judge in Nolan County, with an 1882 date, through the courtesy of Cliff Richardson.

Ike Inman brought in 2 additional rattlesnake rattles, which makes a total of 1711 now in the collection.

Presbyterian Church Regular services Sunday with preaching at 11 and 7:30 and Sunday School at 9:45; Christian Endeavor at four o'clock. Services in the Palace Theatre and everyone is cordially invited.

Rev. D. B. Hestir, Pastor.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

WRIGHT HOTEL—R. H. James, Dallas; Mrs. B. Williams, El Paso; P. B. McCarty, St. Louis; E. E. Warren, Plainview; I. Lee Gee, Wichita Falls; Orm Andrews, Dallas; Thos. G. Edwards, Fort Worth; C. S. Deal, Ada, Okla.; I. G. Smith, Dallas; G. J. Miller, Los Angeles; J. M. Wood Jr., Dallas; C. M. Lemos, Dallas; R. W. Hawkins, Artesian, N. M.; Mrs. E. G. Glogin, Munday; A. B. Cook, Dallas; Nasham P. Zlneck; H. B. Phillips, Dallas; J. Berry, Cisco; K. O. Hagedorn, Dallas; I. T. Likenboger Fort Worth; D. E. Carter, Fort Worth; W. G. Cunningham, Abilene; M. S. Long, Abilene; D. J. Hasterter, San Angelo; P. K. Nichols and wife, El Paso; E. J. McGoldrick, Dallas; W. N. Ginsburg, St. Louis; P. H. Mitchell, T. & P.; C. J. Myres, Chicago; T. Campbell, Temple; Geo. C. Charlton, U. S. Army; Rutherford Tommond, U. S. Army; R. W. Wells, Sayre, Okla.

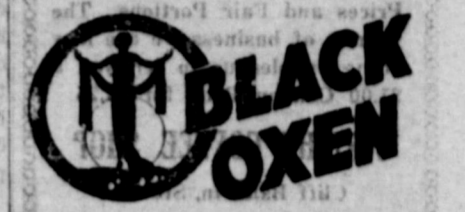
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ber; L. Hardin, Thurber; E. L. Reed, Thurber; W. E. Hull, Thurber; O. E. Choat, Fort Worth; Lewis Kitchen, Thurber; J. M. Mann, E. W. Wadwood, G. C. Hickman, B. Parks, Postal Tel. Cable Co.; Rbpo Gzell, Amarillo; S. L. Holmes, Dallas; W. J. Newman, T. & P.; Mrs. James Brooms, Big Spring; O. E. Morris, K. C. M. & O. Ry.; L. L. Andrews; Jim Grimmes, Brownfield.

PULLMAN HOTEL—A. B. Mays, Fort Worth; R. F. Nelson; G. M. Stewart, Dallas; Mrs. W. E. Ellen, Seagraves; F. J. Rae, Big Spring; Jim Kiefer, Baird; G. J. Miller, Los Angeles; S. Y. Young, Wills, Pa.; Mrs. O. F. Gill, Dallas; W. R. Materly, Dallas; J. F. Dunlap, Lubbock; G. C. Morris, Big Spring; F. W. Bettle, Chas. Tolleson, Fort Worth; R. N.

Taft, Fort Worth; W. M. Simmons, Coleman.

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 "Hello."
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 "Cozy Cafe."
 "That you Green?"
 "Yeah."
 "Say, surround one of those Old Tough Steaks with smothered onions."
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EUGENE DENNIS.

WORLD WAR ECHO

Foreign Office Produce Yellow Book of Documents, Dealing With Rhineland Property

By The United Press.
 PARIS, March 8.—The French foreign office late today issued its long yellow book of documents showing negotiations for her security during and after the Peace conference.
 The documents show that France envisaged detachment of the Rhineland from Germany and creation of an independent treaty under the League of Nations.

WANT ADS PULL, PULL



ANNOUNCEMENT

Following the custom of all progressive cities, the week of March 13th to 20th inclusive has been selected as Clean-Up Week in Sweetwater.

Sweetwater citizens are urged to co-operate in this clean-up campaign by removing all cans and rubbish from their premises.

Let's make Sweetwater the cleanest city in Texas.

JOE H. BOOTHE, Mayor.

Mrs. L. F. Johnson to Frank Gensberg \$625 part lots 4, 5, 6 blk 8, Eastern add to Sweetwater.

Radford Gro. Co. to W. L. Voss \$6169 S 1-2 sec. 14, blk 24.

S. T. Duncan to E. W. Smith, \$900 lot 3 blk 19, Original town Roscoe.

H. E. Johnson to J. E. Raspberry \$50, lot 1 blk 29 Highland add to Sweetwater.

W. H. Bishop to B. C. Chalmers QCD part blk 14, Original Town Roscoe.

D. J. Young to J. M. Pate \$1725 part sec 48, blk 22, T. & P. land.

J. B. Carille to L. L. Snyder \$1400 blk 10 Carille add to Roscoe.

L. L. Snyder to F. D. Williamson \$1600, same land.

R. B. Cope to J. B. Hearse \$8000, part sec 72 blk 24, T. & P. land.

J. W. Potts to J. B. Graham \$7040 part section 78, blk 23, T. & P. land.

V. Deshazo et al to A. Campbell \$625 lots 5, 6, blk 73 Orient add to Blackwell.

Ada Campbell to Mrs. C. C. Jones \$1400 part blk 73 Orient add to Blackwell.

J. T. Skillern to Mrs. L. Smith \$2500 lot 4 blk 1, D. O. Clark subd to Sweetwater.

D. E. McDonald to Ada Whiteley (release) part blk 73 Orient Add to Blackwell.

Bertha B. Craft to Mrs. S. T. Skillern (release) lot 4 blk 1, D. O. Clark subd.

T. D. Jones to W. B. Carlisle (release) part lot 3, blk 1, Original Town Roscoe.

A. B. Chambers to E. R. Thannisch \$600 lots 4, 5, 6 blk 12, Bradford add to Sweetwater.

Dan Carlisle to Roy C. Scudayo \$170 part blk 5, Eastern add to Sweetwater.

M. A. Graham to E. E. Graham \$2000, part blk 3, situs Lagow subd, blk 29.

L. M. Graham to F. C. Graham et al at part Deed several tracts of land.

C. E. Glass to J. A. Ellis \$1600 part blk 56 S & W add to Sweetwater.

W. J. Armour to L. E. Adrian \$1250 part blk 16 Orig Town Roscoe.

J. B. Tidwell to Dan Childress \$3000 part lot 4 blk 87 Original Town Sweetwater.

J. A. Ellis to C. E. Glass \$1900 part blk 56 S & W add to Sweetwater.

A. J. Roy to Raymond Corbin \$50 lot 13 blk 3, Wood subd blk 45, S & W add to Sweetwater.



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An 18-Year-Old Kansas Girl Is an Adept at Solving Crime Mysteries By Psychic Power.

PSYCHOLOGISTS EXAMINE HER.

She's Already Established Herself By Locating Criminals and Lost Articles.

BY JOSEPHINE VAN DE GRIFT, NEA Service Staff Writer.

Eugene Prescott.
 A hired assassin killed Louise Lawson. He was tall and resembled a Swede.

The murderer of Dot King was slim and dark. Sheshad known him for a long time and he tried to boss her.

Mrs. Anna Buzar, now in the death house for the murder of Frederick Schneider, New York contractor, is innocent.

A man who tried to get money from Schneider did the killing. Count and Countess Salm will soon be separated.

Lieutenant Russell Maugham will almost succeed in making his cross-country flight by airplane, landing in California.

Evangeline Booth will not be dislodged from the Salvation Army, although there will be much trouble.

Jack Dempsey will marry a girl with black, curly hair this summer and they will honeymoon in Egypt.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The psychic powers of an 18-year-old girl may be the means of solving New York's mystery crimes.

The girl is Eugene Dennis, of Atchison, Kan., who has come on to New York for examination by leading psychologists.

If, between tests, the police want to try her hand at solving the Louise Lawson or Dot King mysteries, why Eugene is willing.

"Murders are the easiest of all to solve," she says.

Here is the record Miss Dennis cites as proof of the aid she has given police in various times:

In Joplin, Mo., she recovered 15 stolen bicycles for the police.

In Sedalia, Mo., she told the chief of police where to recover a long-lost bond. It was found in the drawer of a kitchen cabinet.

In Chillicothe, Mo., she directed the police where to find a boy who had broken his parole. She told them the boy was in St. Louis and gave the street and number. The boy was found there.

In Omaha she recovered 23 lost diamonds.

While conversing with a friend one day she broke away suddenly exclaiming that a policeman was being murdered. They went out on the street and discovered at that moment people rushing to the scene of the crime.

Eugene's powers are inherited from her grandmother, according to her mother, Mrs. N. G. Dennis.

"When Eugene was two years old," says Mrs. Dennis, "she could tell me where I'd been, what I had bought and how much money I had in my purse. We never could keep any family secrets from her."

"When she was five years old she told a little playmate where to look for some skates she had lost.

"When she was in high school she took a mental test and registered 14 points higher than anyone had before.

"We know now that such things are science, but Eugene's grandmother had very much the same powers. During the Civil War women used to come to her and she would tell them what had happened to their husbands and sons."

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PASS BONUS BILL

Cash Payment With Paid-Up Soldier Insurance Adopted By House By Narrow Margin

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—A cash payment and paid up insurance soldier bonus bill policy was adopted today by the House Ways and Means committee.

By a 13 to 12 vote the committee approved the bonus plan for a \$50 cash payment and paid up insurance to the Veterans of the World War.

The 11 Democrats on the committee voted against the proposal. They were joined by Representative Crowther, New York Republican.

A bitter dispute between Republican leaders and the committee arose over the proposal to put through a special resolution giving a 25 per cent reduction on personal income taxes in 1923.

OAK CLIFF VICTORIES

Defeats Wichita Falls in Semi-Finals Basketball Championship

By The United Press.

AUSTIN, Texas, March 8.—Oak Cliff Hi defeated Wichita Falls, 24 to 17 in the semi-final interscholastic basketball championship this morning.

El Paso defeated Houston in the semi-finals, 24 to 18. El Paso and Oak Cliff will contest for the State championship tonight.

TALKS TO STUDENTS

Church of Christ Minister Outlines Life's Problems

The Rev. Rimmer, of Indianapolis, Ind., spoke on the subject "Positive and Negative Forces of Life," at the High School Friday.

He declared that this is a stern universe but a good one, and that the right mental attitude and a well-defined objective are essential to success therein. That life is a battlefield upon which to fight and win the noblest ideals of life. He dwelt upon the faults which would drag one down to failure and contrasted them with those qualities which would elevate to success, and declared that to be of real use to the world one must be equally developed in education, pol-

itics, society, religion, business and intellect.

Mr. Rimmer is a minister of the Church of Christ, and is in Texas for the purpose of taking charge of the evangelical work of that church in the State.

FRENCH ALARMED

Utter Collapse of Franc Worries Nation—New Law Recorded

By The United Press.

PARIS, March 8.—Despite the utmost efforts to uphold it the Franc crashed to new low levels as the money market opened today.

At noon the dollar went to 27 francs and 70 centimes each and the Pound Sterling was quoted at 117 francs—both new low records for French paper money.

MORE CONVICTS GO

Blue Ridge Prison Farm Loses Five More Mexicans

By The United Press.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, March 8.—Five convicts at the Blue Ridge state penitentiary prison farm, 15 miles from here, escaped at 5 p. m., today and are still at liberty.

Those who escaped are said to be

Mexicans who were working in a field close to the penitentiary.

About 10 days ago 27 Mexican prisoners escaped from this same farm.

DALLAS, Texas, March 8.—Increases in crude oils in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, ranging from 5 to 25 cents per barrel, were announced today by the Magnolia Petroleum Co. The new prices follow: Under 28 gravity, \$1 per barrel; 28 to 30.9 at \$1.20; 31 to 32.9 at \$1.45; 33 to 35.9 at \$1.75; 36 to 38.9 at \$2.39 and above at \$2.75 per barrel.



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There is a fresh car of Wilson's into Sweetwater every week. Fast refrigerator service from Oklahoma City lays it down in Sweetwater in the shortest possible time. And thus you know that the crisp delicious bacon on your breakfast table is the best that is to be had if the name "Wilson" is on the box—and that the pink ham that so toothsomely accompanies "two fried soft, sunny side up," is the last word in ham flavor.

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Please remember that we are here to serve you. If there is a special cut of meat you wish, please let us know. And remember also that the same high standards prevail throughout our establishment—that there is never a question concerning quality when the products are wholesaled or retailed by

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Buick Body Construction

In constructing its open car bodies, Buick uses bolts in fastening the metal braces to the wood, instead of ordinary screws. These bolts passing completely through the wooden frame prevent joints from loosening under driving strains. A more than usual number of bolts secure the Buick body to the chassis, holding it rigidly in position and entirely eliminating all squeaks and rattles.

When better automobiles are built Buick will build them

Western Motor Co.

Champion Economy Car

The new Overland Champion is an entirely new kind of closed car. Removable rear seat and upholstery—big carrying space useful to merchants, salesmen, farmers. Both seats adjust backward and forward—comfort for tall and short people. A business car, family car and camping car—in one! Seats make into a full-size bed in the car—your own hotel on wheels. Big power. Big reliability. Touring \$495, Sedan \$795, f. o. b. Toledo.

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Sweetwater Overland Co

Henry Ford's Hobby Is Bread and His Motto Hard Work

By NEA Service.
DEARBORN, Mich., March 8.—Henry Ford leaned over the gate of a little cottage near his home here. "John," he said to the boy on the other side. "I hear you are causing your mother a lot of worry. What seems to be the trouble?" Ford talked to the boy for an hour. The boy's mother has had no more trouble.

The flivvermaker takes a keen interest in his neighbors. He has never forgotten his old friends, but Ford is not the man to make them rich merely because he likes them. Recently someone asked Ford for \$2,000,000 to "stamp out the boll weevil."

"What are you going to do with the \$2,000,000?" Ford asked. "If ten times \$2,000,000 would stamp out the weevil, it would have been killed long ago."

One of Ford's principal hobbies is bread. He has experimented for years with bread, trying to produce



a loaf that will suit him exactly. He is pretty well satisfied with a certain mixture of whole wheat and white flour.

Ford has no regular job. He even has no regular office. He turned the presidency of the Ford Motor Co. over to his son, but he is BOSS of the entire works.

He has a luxuriously appointed office, but never uses it. Others are enthroned behind glass-topped desks, pressing buttons, signing contracts, reading mail. He bobs up in one shop and then in another, watching the production of cars.

Most credited Ford myth is the popular belief that he rose from poverty. Truth is, that Henry's father was a well-to-do farmer and justice of the peace. And when Henry reached man's estate he was able to hold down a \$150 a month job as a mechanic—and \$150 was a lot of money in those days.

Ford personifies authority. Those in his organization who question his decisions find themselves "out" without delay.

He is a hard taskmaster for himself, and expects as much hard work from others as he extracts from him.



self. He generally is at work two hours ahead of any of his executives.

THE SHAME OF RUSSIA

Country Absolutely Ruled by Nine Men Ed Howe Says.

From Ed Howe's Monthly.
Under the Communists the Russian people are supposed to enjoy more liberty, justice and democracy than any other people ever enjoyed. Yet Russia is absolutely ruled by a committee of nine men. Three of these are not government officials, but simply notable fanatics in Communism.

There is a pretense of representative Government, but all public policies are finally decided by nine men. The population of Russia is much larger than that of the United States, yet there are less than five hundred thousand Communists, and nine of these run the country so badly that it is the shame of the world.

Alpine Avalanche Brewster County Tax Rate 10 Cents Higher.

The following is the tax levy for Brewster County as made by the Brewster County Commissioner's Court at its regular February session, the rate being given in cents on the hundred dollars' valuation of property.

General fund	20
Road & Bridge Fund, regular	15
Road & Bridge fund special main	10
Int. & Sinking fund 1st series	04
Int. & Sinking fund 2nd series	01
Int. & Sinking fund, road bonds	26
Total County	76

This total rate of 76 cents on the hundred dollars valuation applies to all property alike in the county. In addition to the county rate, we may expect the full constitutional limit of 75 cents for the state rate; therefore, the rate for state and county this year will be \$1.51. The county rate is ten cents higher than last year. This is due to the addition of ten cents to the road and bridge fund, a rate voted by the people in the fall of 1922 as a special road maintenance fund, made necessary by the the good roads building program for which a \$300,000 road bond issue was previously voted.—Alpine Avalanche.

STUDENTS PAY BARBERS \$880

Three and One-Third Days Spent in Shop in Four Years.

The average male student at the University of Missouri spends eighty hours of his college life in

the barber shop. He goes sixty-four times, and pays the barber \$880 in four years.

According to the local barbers the average student goes twice each month to have his hair cut, his face massaged, etc. Each visit, including the wait for a turn, the time consumed in gossip with the barber and the actual time required to do the work, lasts one hour and fifteen minutes. At the end of four years this time amounts to eighty hours, or in terms of days to three and one-third. The amount of money spent on each trip is \$1.25, or \$880 in four years.

These figures do not include the number of times students go to barbershops for shaves alone. Owing to the large number who shave at home and those who do not shave at all—some have no reason to shave—it is impossible to form an estimate that would include these shorter visits.

BOY MURDERER LAYS CRIME TO A CURSE

He Hides Behind Oath and Minister's Version of the Unpardonable Sin.

CLAIMS FIRE! BLOOD! WATER!

Says He Was Going to Drown His Sweetheart or Himself—But Gallows Will Intervene.

By NEA Service.
ST. PETERSBURG, March 8.—Pacing up and down a prison cell here Frank McDowell, 20, is worried.

Not because his two sisters were burned to death, and he is accused of their murder.

Not because his father and mother were shot to death as they slept, and he is charged with the crime.

But because the law may keep him from completing a trilogy of crime which he believes must be committed before he can absolve himself from a curse!

Georgia authorities want him extradited and put on trial for the murder of his sisters, which occurred a year ago. The sentence for murder there is death by hanging. Florida officials want him tried for the death of his parents. If guilty, death by electrocution is the penalty.

But it is popularly believed that the boy will face a lunacy commission and be assigned to the State sanitarium for the criminally insane.

In any event, when Feb. 9, 1925—the date set for the last of his trilogy of crime—rolls around, young McDowell will not be able to keep it.

The curse, for the removal of which the boy says he planned these crimes, grew out of some childish swearing.

"I blasphemed the Holy Ghost when I was 12 years old," McDowell told the police. "I couldn't put on a shirt I wanted to wear. Some of its buttons were missing. So I cursed."

At a church service later he heard a clergyman say that such swearing was an "unpardonable crime." The thought preyed on the boy's mind until it became an obsession. He finally figured out a way of expiating this "sin" by a series of sacrifices to be made by—

Fire—Blood—Water.

The boy went to school, became one of its brightest pupils. Some called him a prodigy. He was admitted to George Washington University at 16.

But the obsession of expiating his "sin" kept preying on his mind.

Last year, in February, his two sisters, Marion and Willimatre, met a horrible death. They were living near Atlanta, Ga., at the time. Their room had been locked, their bed saturated with gasoline, and a match applied. The whole place was a mass of seething flames before the fire was discovered. Only their charred bones remained when it was all over.

An investigation was started, but dropped at the requests of the parents.

Fire—Blood—Water.

The trilogy kept running through the boy's mind.

Just a year later his parents were found murdered in their home at

Clearwater. They lay in a pool of blood, shot at close range.

Fire—Blood—Water.

The boy was arrested. At first he denied any knowledge of the crime.

Then, according to the police, he admitted killing them, and also burning his sisters to death.

He said that he was going to kill someone by drowning a year hence. At first he said it was going to be his sweetheart, but later said that he would be his own victim.

But the cycle won't be completed the way he planned—

Mrs. J. R. Henry, Mrs. W. Davis, Mrs. Benjamin Robinson and Miss Beulah Davis spent Saturday at Abilene.



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Last number of Simmons College Lyceum Course.

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Tickets on sale Monday and Tuesday at Hall Music Co. Simmons College office after this date.

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FRANK McDOWELL WHO IS CHARGED WITH THE DEATHS OF HIS MOTHER AND FATHER (RIGHT) AND (BELOW) HIS SISTERS MARION (LEFT) AND WILLIAMATREE.

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Took Poison

MEXIA, Texas, March 8.—The Rev. Lum Hiedleburg 50, Baptist minister and farmer here died from an overdose of poison he took following domestic troubles.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this opportunity in expressing our appreciation of the kindness and attention shown by those members of the Gannon community during the recent illness and death of our beloved husband and father, A. L. Wilcox.

Mrs. A. L. Wilcox and family
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SOCIETY

Mrs. R. C. Crane was hostess Thursday afternoon at a meeting of the Sorosis Club.

The program project was "Gertrude Atherson."

Roll Call: "What a critic has to say of Gertrude Atherson as a writer of fiction"; "Life and personality of Gertrude Atherson"—Mrs. Tom Moore "Periods of San Francisco, mirrored through Atherson Novels"—Mrs. Berry Bowen.

Special Review of Atherson's "Black Oxen", Round Table—Club.

"Monkey Gland Theory"—Mrs. Tom Hughes.

The program closed with a "Good Citizenship Drill."

A number of communications on federated work were read by the secretary.

Enjoy Track Meet

The Intermediate B. Y. P. U. enjoyed an indoor track meet Friday at the First Baptist Church. An interesting program had been arranged and was carried out successfully under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Embry. Refreshments consisting of cakes and punch were served by the girls of the W. W. A.

Sister Dies

Mrs. J. A. Mullins was in receipt of a message Friday night informing her of the death of her sister, Mrs. Mary Westfall, at her home in Silver Lake, Wash. She was 17 years old and had been married only a few months. She visited Mrs. Mullins here about a year and a half ago. Previous to her marriage she was Mrs. Mary Wright.

S. S. Teachers Meet

On Friday evening the teachers of the First Christian Sunday School held their regular monthly conference in the Ladies parlor of the church. Mrs. C. B. Payne, Mrs. Robert Edison and Mrs. Louis Price were hostesses. When the guests were assembled the hostesses passed plates holding chicken salad in lettuce cups, potato chips, Saratoga flakes, olives, white cake and hot chocolate with marshmallow cream.

An hour or more was spent in making class reports and discussing Sunday school problems generally. A number of suggestions were made in regard to the different contests in which the local school is engaged and means to arouse more interest in the Sunday pupils was decided upon and buttons will be ordered at once. The "Cradle Roll" department came up for discussion also.

C. B. Payne led the opening prayer and Dr. McKissick closed the meeting with prayer.

H. B. Allen left Saturday for Brownwood and Coleman for a week end business trip.

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Political Announcements

The following announce their candidacy for the various offices named below, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For Tax Collector: JIM BUTLER MISS WILLIE ELLIOTT Re-election

FOR TAX ASSESSOR H. P. HARKINS re-election Bea F. Roberts.

For Public Weigher LLOYD ROGERS, re-election

FOR COUNTY JUDGE A. S. Mauzey re-election

FOR COMMISSIONER-Precinct 1 W. H. Thompson, re-election. A. J. Roy.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 G. W. Koerth

FOR COMMISSIONER, Precinct 3 G. O. McGinley, Hyton.

FOR SHERIFF Jack Yarbrough re-election. Jesse Lambert.

COUNTY CLERK Gus Farrar, re-election.

SUPERINTENDENT Public Instruction. Miss Minnie Fowler, re-election.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY R. D. Cox, Jr., re-election.

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE, Precinct 1 I. W. Brashear, re-election.

For District Clerk DAN CHILDRESS, Re-Election

For County Treasurer W. T. HIGHTOWER, Re-Election G. C. Farris.

FOR STATE SENATE Harry Tom King, Abilene, Texas. Jesse R Smith (Stephens County)

Henry Rogers has returned to his home at Lubbock, driving a new Dodge car back. Mrs. Rogers and children will remain a few days longer with her father Silas George, who is not well.

The Methodist Missionary Society will meet Monday afternoon at the church, when Mrs. W. W. Beall will read a lesson from "The Major Prophets."



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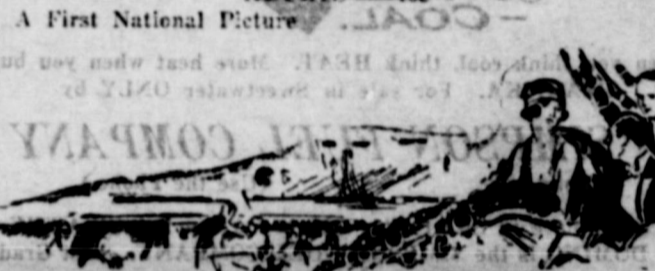


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