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STATE RESTS IN TRIAL OF MEADOR

Examination of Defense Witnesses Proceeding in District Court Here On Fourth Day

THORNBERRY TELLS STORY

Sharply Cross Examined Thursday Morning Following Testimony at Trial Late Wednesday

T. M. Moore, truck driver at Barstow at the time of the Rawls murder, was the third defense witness to take the stand Thursday afternoon. He answered numerous questions put to him by Lud Williams relative to a bruised place on Andy Meador's face and of sitting on the grand jury which was in special session at the time of the homicide. When asked about Mrs. Rawls, wife of the deceased, being in a delicate condition, Moore said she told she had been.

The witness was then subjected to a merciless cross examination by State's Counsel Jas. T. Brooks. At one point in the questioning, Brooks, suffering only minor bruises. pointing his finger at the witness,

"Mr. Moore, isn't & a fact that you pretended to be a friend of that little woman?"

"No sir."

"Isn't it a fact that while pretending to be her friend, approaching her in that attitude and asking if you could help her, you were in reality her bitter enemy?"

"No sir." "And then, Mr. Moore, did you not run to Attorney Lockhart with what information you managed to wring out of that frail little woman?"

"No sir, I did not."

Brooks then attempted to read former testimony offered by Moore at Barstow and when defense attorney Williams interrupted with an objection, Brooks retorted sharply: "I am merely attempting to use the same tactics employed by the defense this morning." The court rapped several times for order and severely cautioned both the state and defense that petty squabbling must be stopped.

R. C. Williams, who formerly conducted a rooming house in Houston was then called to the witness chair. Thornberry on Stand

Wm. Meador murder trial interest Harry F. Sinclair. grew in leaps and bounds and a rec- Jennings said he got his informaord-breaking crowd wedged into the tion from the late Hamon himself. courtroom early Thursday and re- He (Hamon) told him long before mained throughout the day.

tional story revealed by Mrs. Childers, would be the biggest man in the Unit-Dr. W. K. Curtis, of Midland, was ed States. called to the stand and questioned by The deal was finally concluded in a Baker. The physician testified that nomination of Harding. in May, 1922, he was summoned to Jennings mentioned the name of erod, Dr. Curtis replied that Mrs. for Harding. Childers' eyers were bruised, her nose bruised and a scar on the right cheek. He stated that he did not examine her

great throng when M. A. Thornberry the west portion Friday. was called to the witness stand.

Thornberry stated that he knew both Andy and William Meador and answered the usual routine questions as to his residence, etc. Throughout the long story, the witness was often interrupted by objections of the defense attorneys. He doggedly stuck to the main issue, however, and related the brutal facts with a manner that, at times, verged on the drama-

Once, after having been repeatedly interrupted, Mr. Baker turned to 28th. the witness and said:

"All right, Mr. Thornberry, please proceed with your story if they will at the marting let you." This brought laughter from the throng and also a rebuke from the court.

Thornberry's story follows: "Asa Rawls and his wife came to my house about 11 a. m., on the day study their formation.

town; we returned late that after- meeting. noon and I noticed a car on top of the hill about 400 yards from my house. During my work I noticed the car was standing still and I also saw two men walking around it."

Thornberry's story of hearing a gun fired and approaching the car fol-

(Continued on page 3).

JOHNSON LEADING

By The United Press. TWIN FALLS, S. D., March 27.—Senator Hiram Johnson is leading President Coolidge in the South Dakota primary by 298 votes in official returns from 1,496 precincts tabulated at noon today. There are still 356 to hear from.

Life Nets Save Three Lives In Houston Blaze

By The United Press.

HOUSTON, Texas, March 27 .-Clinging to the outside of the window ledges on the fourth floor of an office building in the heart of Houston this morning until flames compelled them to jump to safety, two men and a woman were only slightly injured when they landed in life nets spread out to receive them.

The fire occurred in Dr. Thornton's sanitarium. Two nurses and a dentist who occupied the building, jumped,

Paid One Million For Nomination of President Harding in Return For Secretaryship of Interior

PAID PENROSE BIG

Testimony Before Senate Oil Committee Reveals Inner Workings Republican Party in 1920

By The United Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27 .- Al Jennings, ex-bandit and Oklahoma politician, today told the Senate Oil committee that the late Jake L. Hamon paid \$1,000,-000 for the purpose of aiding in the election of President Harding in exchange for the Secretaryship of the Interior.

rose, Senator from Pennsylvania in nesday night. the same deal.

Going into the fourth day of the big oil men in Oklahoma, including time.

the convention that Harding would Immediately following the sensa- be nominated and that he (Hamon)

special counsel for the state, D. W. Chicago hotel the night before the

M. A. Thornberry's house to attend Daugherty as one of the men in on to Mrs. Childers. When asked to ex- the deal. Daugherty prior to the conplain the character of wounds discov- vention was the campaign manager

Weather

West Texas-Tonight and Friday partly cloudy to cloudy; probably An expectant hush fell over the showers in the east portion; colder in

GEOLOGISTS MEET

Petroleum Geologists in Onnual Convention at Houston

HOUSTON, Texas, March 27 .- Ap- Numbers on Canines During Wolf proximately 506 members of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists were here today to attend

ects relative to goology will be read they see during the chase.

topic at the convention. The Gulf served loafing on the job will be trains enroute to Abilene from San Of the most modern type, the cars the first political speech of the presand trins will be made by the dele- making official announcements. gates to Iboria, La., salt mines to

Daniels to Speak

BROWNWOOD, Texas, March 27 .-Hon. Josephus Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson Cabinet, will deliver a lecture in proved today following an illness of Cameron Marshall.

ORIENT COUNSEL DIE UNDER LAND BUYS RAILROAD SLIDE

Thursday For Three Million Dollars-To Reorganize

ANNOUNCE REORGANIZATION VILLAGES

Noteholders and Bondholders Invited to Participate-Only One Other Bid is Received

By The Unied Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 27.-The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway was sold today for \$3,000,000 to Clifford Histed, attorney for the railway. Histed is general attorney for the railroad and for Receiver W.

T. Kemper. He announced that a general plan ed soon and that all note holders and 50 were killed at the former and

ticipate. The only other bid besides that of blocked and rescue workers climbed banker of Hill City, Kansas. His bid to the injured and killed. was for \$2,700,000.

retire obligations amounting to ap- telling pitiful tales of death and de proximately \$3,000,000 due to the struction. United States Government.

Ida Tarbell III

By International News.

PAWHUSKA, Ok., March 27 .-- Ida M. Tarbell, noted magazine writer, Word was received here today of here for the purpose of gathering ma- the appointment of Bruce Bryant of terial for a magazine article on the Haskell as District Judge of the 39th Osage County oil fields, and the work District including Jones and Fisher ing of the Osage Agency, is ill at her Counties, among others. Judge Bryhome, of influenza. Physicians say, ant succeeds Judge Chapman. Judge however, that her condition is not se- Bryant is a cousin of Mrs. A. H.

Bids In K. C. M. & O. at Court Sale At Least 91 Persons Are Dead and Lives Many Others, Including Americans, Imperilled

> ARE BURIED

Rescue Workers Find Roads Blocked With Heaps of Stone and Rubbish-Houses Damaged

By The United Press.

AMALFI, Italy, March 27 .-At least 91 persons were killed and the lives of hundreds, including many American tourists, endangered when a series of land slides devastated villages on the Salermo.

Amalfi itself is little damaged but the villages near by of Vetica and of reorganization would be announc- Conca suffered severely. More than is said to be spreading destruction times. bond holders wuld be invited to par- scarcely a house left undamaged. Roads leading to the scene were

Refugees struggled into Amalfi

Proceeds of the sale will be used to with bundles of personal pelongings

APPOINT BRYANT

District Judge 39th District Named By Governor

Fortner of this city.

Jenning also charged that Hamon agely scored the Klan in a two-hour doing, "The Hunchback of Notre and late this afternoon. paid \$256,000 to the late Bois Pen- address in the district courtroom Wed- Dame" was shown at the Palace The- He stated that he would resume ment and less government in busi-

Involved with Hamon were other applauded the speaker from time to

of the world.

Mr. Buxton was introduced by W. tained in the wide display. day morning.

PAINT DOGS

Hunt at Cisco in April

CISCO, Texas, March 27 .- The This screen production is to be the annual convention of the associa- numbers assigned each dog in the big shown again tonight and is well worth tion, which will continue through the wolf hunt to be held here April 1-6 the seeing. In the truest sense it is New Type of Cars Have Front Enwill be painted on the side of the ani- an educational picture. Eighty papers on technical sub- mal so the judges can know the dogs

Points will be given each dog seen

The western dogs will have an advantage over dogs from the other sec- day. Noted geologists from all over the tions of the country, because the imthe packs, so the menu wil! not be- He stated that he wore a big white crowds. come monotnous.

> Rev. H. B. Hestir is very much imice next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

W. C. Wichter, Fort Worth Attorney, Film Adamon Nictor, Links, Philee Organization Here

W. C. Wichter, former lawyer of Presenting the life of the fifteenth ater for its initial night Wednesday. the office of Premier.

The courtroom was well filled and Histories are able to narrate the when it comes to picturing the true Wichter's subject was "Unameri- life of a country's people, their cuscanism of KuKluxism." He stated tomes, ideals, habits, morals, fancies that he was fighting the general and every day life, the history is lack- Prominent West Texan Dies at Sny- of rehabilitating the penitentiary sysprinciples "because they have never ing. This is not its purpose; it is not done one-not one-good thing." He contained in its scope; but is reserved took scorching verbal shots at preach- for those great novels and screen proers who defend the klan and, in detail, ductions such as "The Hunchback of Special to The Reporter. explained why the klan, as an organi- Notre Dame." And true to its pur- SNYDER, Texas, March 27 .- Judge buildings to house the State's insane, zation, had created more hatred than pose "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" M. E. Rosser died here Thursday and put the able-bodied convicts to any other organization in the history presents to the observer a vivid con- morning at 7 o'clock from cancer of work on roads, or give the penitenti-Asking if anyone in the audience iod. Those quaint fashions in dress of for several months, going to sanita- a modern hotel at Houston with a had ever read the klan oath the that day, the costumes of the ladies, riums at Lubbock and Temple in a room and a bath. speaker said, "you Klansmen in the the soldiery, the nobles in their gay- vain effort to dislodge it. audience need not hold up your hand est plumage, the hood and cloak of He was one of the leading citizens water with imported Parisian perfume

stated that already 21 towns had sig- hoary Notre Dame Cathedral with its had since made his home. en in their truth.

tor Hugo's pulse-quickening plot and Church. the superb acting of the players.

Bishop Dickey Here

"Sale domes" will be the principal doing the right thing and those ob- of Waco visited here today between dered for this city are in service. services at the Methodist Church Sun- handling passengers.

hat, like the "boys," but it was not sufficient protection for him.

Miss Ida Nell Jones is improving

LA FOLLETTE ILL WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27 .- Senator LaFollette. progressive leader, has developed a case of pneumonia, it was announced here today. Statements from doctors in attendance indicate his condition as "satisfactory for the pres-

Strange Bug May Kill Oat Crop In Collin County

By The United Press.

everywhere. The insects are said to be so numerous in some sections that they can house be sh veled and are a fast breeder. Histed was that of E. E. Mullany, a voer piles of rocks and rubbish to get Roy Sanders, county farm agent of runty; maybe about 50 years of age, Collin County, said that immediate and when he started speaking in his steps would be taken to prevent the race for Governor in his own words spread of the bug.

Definitely Accepts Portfolio From President Millerand to Resume Charge in France

Consults With President of France This Afternoon Relative to New Men in Cabinet

By The Unitied Press. PARIS, France, March 27 .-Poincare today definitely accepted invitation from President Millorand to form a new cabinet.

communique. Poincare consulted with the men who will form his reconstruction gov-Fort Worth and W. J. Buxton sav- century as no history is capable of ernment and visited President Miller-

der Home-Funeral Probably Friday Afternoon w

ception of the French life of the per- the lungs. He had fought the disease ary away and put all the convicts in

because someone might recognize you the monk and nun, and even the rags of Snyder. Partner of Fritz Smith in every morning if I had them down of the street and under world are con- the practice of law, Judge Rosser serv there in Houston," promises Lynch, ed in the Legislature during the 36th "and still save the State \$350,000 a E. Ponder. The speakers announced The film goes even further and and 37th sessions. He was a member year." that they would appear in Lubbock gives those customs and modes of liv- of the Baptist Church and a Mason. Lynch Davidson must know what Saturday night where an anti-Klan ing now so ancient and strange in He was born in Georgia and came to he is talking about because when his organization is being organized. They appearance. Here is pictured the West Texas early in life where he political enemies tried to bury him

nified intentions of having represen- many corridors, its tall towers, and Funeral arrangements had not state railroad he resurrected it in two tatives at Lubbock. They left Thurs- the multitude of statuary and pic- been definitely concluded Thursday, years time and now it is the only deturesque surroundings. The harsh pending receipt of word from a broth- partment of the State that operated customs of law and the cruelty of a er in Georgia now en route west. In on a cash basis. monarch of that period are also giv- all probability, however, the funeral "And I've still got the \$25,000 that will be held Friday afternoon at 3 the Legislature gave me to get up These features are relieved by Vic- o'clock from the First Baptist steam with," says Lynch.

USE NEW CARS

trance and Middle Exit

Bishop James E. Dickey and wife first of thirty-two new street cars or- presto! he has an audience of from Coast is dotted with the sale domes scratched, according to R. D. Grimm, Angelo. They will return to the city are expected to speed up the service ent open season which deals with how Saturday and he will conduct the because of their improved methods of to make the cash register ring and

These cars are the only ones in The Bishop was somewhat sunburn- Texas with middle exits. Passengers of the killing; they took dinner with us and later, with my wife, I went to country will be in attendance at the ported hunters will not be accustomed ed and remarked it was the result of board at the front and leave by a to the climate and the altitude. The his having attended a rabbit drive large pair of doors at the center of for Governor Club" will hold a meet-Oil Belt Hunters' Association is pro- near San Angelo Wednesday, which the car. During the rush hours, spe- ing in the court house auditorium Frividing all brands of dog bis uits for was his first experience in that line. cial means are provided to handle the day evening at 8 o'clock, according to

Marriage Licenses

County Clerk Gus Farrar Wednes-Brownwood on April 10, according to several days. He plans to conduct the today following an injury to her head day issued marriage license to R. W a telegram received this morning by usual Sunday morning church serv- in an automobile accident near Ros- Ballinger of Roby and Miss Beulah Keith of Sweetwater.

BE HERE MONDAY

Second Representative of the House of Davidson (No Kin to T. W.) To Speak in Sweetwater

ON TOUR WEST

Will Travel All Over This End of the State in His Ford Sedan-Believes in Business

DALLAS, Texas, March 27 .- The thousands of those West Texans who have not yet seen the freak of 1924 DALLAS, Texas, March 27 .- Ex- Texas politics are going to get their perts from the United States Depart- chance this week when Lynch Davidment of Agriculture left here today son, with a tank full of gasoline and for Mckinney to investigate reports his Ford sedan points out from headof a strange new type of bug that is quarters in Dallas for a 2,000 mile destroying the oat crop in Collin trip from here to El Paso and back County. The pest resembles a flea and again and over and across several

> He will speak in Sweetwater Monday night, March 31, at the court

Politically he is a freak. He is he wasn't worth a "continental darn." "But you'd be surprised," says Lynch. "As far as my oratory is concerned it is an actual fact I'm getting

better and better every day." Lynch Davidson in the present political race is the only candidate of the baker's dozen who is running on a business platform.

"It's the great adventure," said Lynch Davidson to a group of his friends before he left for West Texas. "Whether or not the people of Texas have come to the point of again turning their State's affairs over to the same old bunch of politicians or placing their billion dollar corporation in business hands."

Lynch is going to make over a half hundred speeches before he gets back to Dallas. What he is going to say in those speeches remains to be heard, but he will undoubtedly show the vot ers of West Texas how they can save the expense of running their govern-

Lynch Davidson is carrying the gospel of "more business in governness" to every cross-road in this State. He is pro states rights, prohibition, pro-suffrage, anti-clique a anti-bloc in government, pro education and anti-penitentiary, as it now is. Lynch has got an unbeatable scheme tem, and saving the voters of Texas \$350,000 a year. He says there's just two ways of doing it; one is to sell the penitentiary lands, using the

permanently with the bank-rupted

So Lynch Davidson is going into West Texas for 2,000 miles. He is a sort of "here she comes and there she goes" candidate. He's got a trick horn of his Ford sedan as he circles the square, stopping a minute and DALLAS, Texas, March 27 .- The bally-hooing from a megaphone and-300 to 500 Texans around him hearing

Supporters to Meet

not ring.

The Sweetwater "Lynch Davidson John Ford, chairman. Preparations will be made at that time for welcoming him on his arrival here in connection with his address Monday

Frank Robertson Jr., left this morning on a business trip to Lubbock.

REPORTER SWEETWATER Published each afternoon and Sunday morning, except Saturday and its of venerable brows.

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JUDGE ROSSER

News of the death at Snyder of Judge M. E. Rosser brought sincerest grief to those who had learned to know him. One of the big men of West Texas, his activities in the upbuilding and development of this section brought him in contact with others engaged in similar work for a wide and increasing acquaintence.

He it was who called the Tech Jubilee meeting at Sweetwater, following activity in the fight for the creation of the college, and he was afterword one of the leaders in Snyder's attempt to secure the location there.

A big, broad-minded man in every sense of the word, the loss to West Texas and to his home town of Shy-

der is indeed heavy. In speaking of his friend, R. M.

Chitwood said: "Judge Rosser was essentially a Christian. He told me Monday that he would live but a few days. I reminded after all hope had been abandon- action overseas on October 9, 1918, die as God wishes it to be."

STILL ANALYZING HENRY

his boosters point with pride to the success of the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton, Mr. Ford's personally owned and conducted railroad, an answering blast comes from the committee on public relations of the eastern railroads. In a bulletin just issued this committee points out that in the four years of the operation of the road Mr. Ford has lost \$98,207. Passenger traffic has nearly disappeared, but there has been a vast increase in freight patronage. Between 1920 and 1923 total tonnage increased 50 per cent. The movement of coal and pig iron declined. The movement of various products used in the manufacture of automobiles and auto trucks greatly increased. Building materials such as cement, clay, gravel, sand, and stone also increased heavily. "The movement of automobiles and auto trucks," the report says, shows the most astounding incerase of all, jumping from 14,000 tons in 1920 to 1,271,000 tons in 1923. The Ford Company has exercised its power in both directons, both as purchaser of goods into Detroit and as a shipper of manufactured products out of Detroit. In brief, the one important factor in the increased traffic of the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton since 1920 has been the tonnage diverted to it by the Ford Motor Company, which might otherwise have gone by alternate routes."

After pointing out that the passenger traffic on the Detroit, Toledo & Ironton has dwindled to the vanishing point the report concludes. "To sum it up no useful generalization concerning common carriers can be ob ained from the records of plant facility railroads. But Henry Ford, the railway president, deals only with Henry Ford, the automobile manufacurer, and the service he renders to himself satisfies him perfectly."

From all this it is quite clear to the average citizen that Mr. Ford will never be taken into the brotherhood of railway magnates until he amends his habit of patronizing his own road and blowing his own horn.

WORMS SPROUT

Marshall Puzzled By Freakish Grub Worms Prevalent There

By International News. MARSHALL, Texas, March 27 .her the grub worms in the vicinity Marshall are afflicted with that ar

cient malady "eyes bigger than their Juarez Threatens stomachs" or a new species of worm has been put forth for the cogitation

Weekly edition on Thursday by The A number of little worms have Sweetwater Reporter, Inc. Houston been brought to newspaper offices Harte President; Minor Shutt, Vice here for inspection with tiny plants President; Willie Rowan, Secretary protruding from their mouths, the

Several bushels of the worms, all dead, with the plants growing from their mouths have been gathered. Whether the small worms came into the world in a combination of plant life and animal life only to meet their News Department ----- 46 death when the plants outgrow their bodies or whether they have swallowed a quantity of seeds that sprouted Daily, 1 Year _____\$5.00 within their interior is baffling the

To Carry Grub

By International News. provision in the basket of the bag he Mexico. will enter in the national balloon race here April 23, in an effort to break vices received here. Honeywell will retract its threat. pilot the "Co-Operative Club of Kan-

ENJOIN TEACHER

Chastised With Hosa

Ry International News.

DALLAS, Texas, March 27 .- According to evidence it took a writ fo injunction to prevent Chapman Webb,

substituting a section of board three a genial host as well. feet long, five inches wide and half to be chastised in any manner.

GET CLASS RING

Department Finally Returns Memento Slain Soldier

AMARILLO, Texas, March 27,-After six years, the class ring of An-

turned shortly after his death but for school building. some unexplained reason the ring was not forwarded until several days ago. He was a member of Co. G, 143rd in-

Ginners Going By International News.

DALLAS, Texas, March 27 .- Preparations are underway here for the entertaining of 2,000 delegates representing almost every section of Texas to the State Ginners' Association meeting April 10-11. All sessions will be held in the coliseum at Fair Park, under the direction of President William Seelingson of Goliad.

Meanest Thief

By International News. POPULAR BLUFF, Mo., March 27. -The "meanest" thief has been reported by a local citizen, in the person who stole the clothing of an entire family from the clothes line where it had been put to air. The clothing had been placed outside following an attack of measles by one of the family, and represented the entire wardrobe of the family, according to the report.

Lawyer Luella Bldg. **IRES PROSSER** Sweetwater, Texas

******* I. LEE LUSK

Real Estate, Insurance And NOTARY PUBLIC Side Quare

Two Good Places To Dine:

HOTEL WRIGHT DININGROOM

HOTEL WRIGHT COFFEE SHOP

Establish Free

By International News.

EL PASO, Texas, March 27 .- The ancient reprisal threat of Juarez merchants has been flung across the border into El Paso with the rigid enforcing of the new Federal order closing the International bridge at nine o'clock each night.

According to reports reaching merchants here from a reliable source, Juarez business men have practically completed their plans for the estab lishing of the time-worn "free zone" along the border. Under the free zone material from any nation in the world would be admitted free of duty thus 1777. enabling Juarez merchants to great-SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 27. ly undersell the El Paso firms and -H. E. Honeywell, internationally subsequently transferring the bulk of known balloonist will carry a week's business from the American side to

Although merchants here concede such a move would be a serious blow New Mexico ranch, after installing advertising rates on application to the the world's record, according to ad- to trade, they are hopeful Juarez will a windmill and tanks to take care of

> The merchants have also declared on the Mexican side that restrictions Skovgaard the famous Danish violinon all saloons, gambling houses and ist will be here next Wednesday. Get other resorts, will be lifted allowing your tickets early. them to operate "wide open."

HAVE RABBIT DRIVE

Inman Ranch Scene of Killing of About 1200 Rabbits

At the big rabbit drive Tuesday at 16-year-old Mesquite student from re- Inkman Ranch about three miles west ceiving a thrashing for "whispering" of the city over 1200 rabbits were license was applied for. 1924 Ford iswith a three-foot section of garden killed. There were about 175 men and boys in the drive and about 300 boxes in excess of 8,000,000. The injunction restrained W. A. of ammunition used. Roy Headrick Hines, teacher from wielding the seems to have been the general manhose. The teacher then suggested ager of the affair and proved to be

Two fat beeves were barbecued and inch thick, but this to, was ruled out, the ladies of the neighborhood prothe court holding that Webb was not cided bountiful baskets of pies, cakes, bread and pickles for the noon feast The injunction was asked by the to which bunnie hunters did ample

> Skovgaard's concert will open the new East Ward auditorium Wednesday evening. Bowen's is headquarters for tickets. Get 'em early. \$1, 75c and 50c.

ed. His reply was, "It is all in God's has been returned to his parents by school was destroyed by fire here tohands. I am willing either to live or the War Department at Washington. day with a loss of \$60,006 including The soldier's fountain pen, knife all books and records. Classes will be and other personal trinkets were re-held temporarily in the grammar

> Mrs. John Aycock has returned from a two weeks' visit at Cisco with her mother, Mrs. Wilson and family.

> Hear Skovgaard in concert next Wednesday evening, at the East Ward auditorium. Ticket headquarters at Bowen's Drug Store. Benefit Public Library.

Mrs. Pop Boy Smith has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where she visited relatives since the death of her husband about five weeks ago. She Zone On Border has taken charge of the Wright Beauty Parlor again and will continue to conduct the business.

> Miss Lois Phelps of Abilene will arrive tonight to spend several days with her sister, Mrs. B. L. Clayton on

M. R. Zigler of Chicago, en route to New Orleans, stopped over Tuesday to visit his brother Jack Zigler and family at 1010 Elm Street.

Miss Francis Homer presented the public Library with six books yesterday which brings the number to

Mrs. Eagle George, who recently moved to Abilene is spending the week with Mrs. E. V. Grogan.

G. E. Ramsey has returned from his the water situation on the ranch.

Oldest Ford By International News.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 27. -What is believed to be one of the oldest Fords in existence is owned by a local motorist. The number of the car is 1669, and the model is 1900, according to information given when a sues of 1924 carry an engine number

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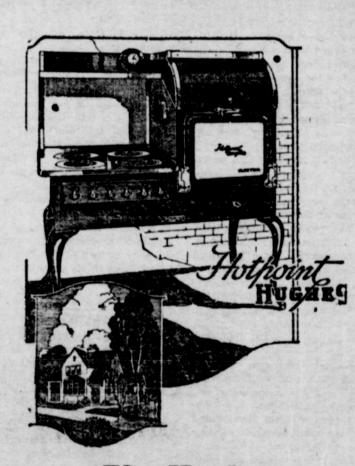
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STATE RESTS (Continued from Page One)

"On my way to the car I met Ola Meador with a jar of water; a little sister was with her. They said to me, "They're killing Bill and daddy.' And I whipped up my horse as I heard the report of a gun immediately followed by a scream. I went faster toward the scene and saw a man step from the running-board of the car and fall. It was Bill Meador. In the meantime a man came from the front of the car and walked to where Bill lay on the ground. I rode up close and Andy Meador was waving his hands

the ground with his face up. "As I stepped off my horse I saw the dead man lying crumpled up in the automobile; he was in the back of the car on the floor with his face pointed to the rear and one leg hanging outside the car, being hung over the door; he was tied with a rope twice around his body.

and hollering. Bill was lying on

Bill raised up and Mrs. Rawls said, they tied and murdered Asa,' and Andy said 'we didn't.' " Here the de-

inviting your assistance." story was reached when he told of a nation.

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tilt with Andy Meador near the car. "Mrs. Rawls ran behind me and Andy Meador said, 'She's as mean as he, she untied him,' and then Bill said, 'G- D- you, I'll kill you.' I grabbed the Winchester rifle, threw out the unloaded shell, threw in a loaded one and ordered Andy and Bill to stand back, which they did." (Smothered laughter).

Defense attorneys strenuously objected to this testimony and for the third time in less than one hour, the jury was told to leave the room while the court heard additional testimony.

"Andy begged me for the gun," Thornberry continued. "I told him nothin' doing. Mrs. Rawls then left the scene at my suggestions; I told her to go to my house and she did. Andy then sat on the running-board of the car and said 'I'm a sick man,' and I replied, 'I don't doubt it."

Thornberry closed his dramatic story with details of removing the body to Lamesa and of the arrest of the Meadors by Sheriff John Sneed, after he had phoned them.

When court convened Thursday morning the state's counsel continued its questioning of W. A. (Tony) Thornberry, state witness. Late fense objected and was overruled and Wednesday the witness demonstrated when Williams, defense directed a how Asa Rawls had been hog-tied. question to State Attorney Baker, the District Attorney Jas. T. Brooks was latter said, "I think, your Honor, that used as a "model" and Judge Leslie I have a right to proceed without dic- had to rap to silence a tittering that tation from the defense." Williams re- spread over the courtroom. This plied, "I was merely trying to facili- morning the witness, with the use of tate matters," to which District At- two chairs, demonstrated how the torney Brooks retorted, "We are not slain man was lying when found. Thornberry was then turned over to A dramatic episode in Thornberry's the defense counsel for cross exami-

> Thornberry at length concerning location of roads, distances and exact location of the Meador ranch house. Attorney Lud Williams then asked: "Did Andy Meador hold any public

office in Andrew County at the time of the homicide?" "He did."

"What? Was he a county commissioner ?"

"Yes, I believe he served two terms. On numerous occasions since Thornberry had taken the stand Wednesday there were repeated objections by the defense and constant quibbling. He was finally excused at 10:30 and S. E. Umberson, tax assessor of Andrews County, took the stand.

Mr. Umberson told of going to Meador's house with the Sheriff and others to arrest Andy and Bill Meador and of later seeing the slain

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the witness chair and testified brief- Carpenter. ly concerning a check purported to have been left at his place for Asa Rawls. With the completion of his testimony the state rested.

Defense Starts R. M. (Bob) Means, the first defense witness was called to the stand of Andrews County. He told briefly afternoon at McCaulley. of having received a telephone call from Andy Meador on the day of the nomicide and that he believed Meaor had said something about having the Sheriff bring a posse out to Thornberry's house to take charge of 'a crazy man." On cross examination by the state Means said he could not be certain that Meador had requested the Sheriff to bring a posse.

During the time Means was on the stand continual tilts between the state and defense attorneys arose and were sharply rebuked by the court.

Before court adjourned for lunch M. M. Fisher, cattleman, was questioned by the defense and cross exthat Andy Meador spent the night at his house after having had a difficulty with Rawls-the day before the By The United Press. killing. He told of a gash appearing came to his house.

STUDY TRACTORS

Commissioners Three Counties Attend Abilene Demonstration

By The United Press. ABILENE, Texas, March 27 .-County commissioners of Nolan, Callahan and Fisher Counties, and other county officials were here for a cometitive tractors demonstration.

The competition in the demonstration was being afforded by the Holt and Best brands of tractors.

Those here for the demonstration and who contemplate purchasing road tractors were: J. S. Conell, county udge; T. P. Neves, W. J. Madden, and J. M. Benton, county commissioners, and W. W. Headstream, county eraus-

man in the automobile. He stated urer, all of Fisher County. Nolan that the rear seat of the car was County representatives were G. W. completely covered with blood which Koerth, W. C. George, A. F. Thomp- Fuel Co., Phone 239. had dripped to the ground. He also son, G. O. McGinley, commissioners; estified that the dead man's head was John Focht, county engineer, and almost a mass of blood. He was not county judge A. S. Mauzey. Callahan County was represented by Coun-Roy Wilson, owner of the only store ty Judge Victor B. Gilbert and comin Andrews, followed Umberson to missioners A. R. Kelton and J. H.

Child Dies

Wallace Smith, two and one-half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Smith, died Wednesday afternoon. Diptheria was given as the cause of and stated that he was district clerk his death. Burial will take place this

> Charge Bigamy By The United Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 27 .-Paul Hardman, local attorney, has asked New York authorities to file bigamy charges against Miss Cleo Lytle, now Mrs. George V. Shaw, on riage. Hardman claims Mrs. Shaw, while in Kansas City, lived with him as his wife, in accordance with a common law agreement they both signed.

AFTER BRIBERY

amined by the state. Fisher testified House To Investigate Two Members

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27 .on Meador's face and when cross ex- Graft and bribery accusation against amined, admitted that Meador had "two congressmen" will be investigattwo guns-a 30-30 Winchester and a ed on April 2 by a special house comdouble-barreled shot gun when he mittee, it has been announced by Chairman Blaine. The charges were made recently by a Chicago grand jury which indicated Colonel Charles R. Forbes, former director of the Veteran's Bureau.

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Notice is hereby given, that on the 1st day of April, A. D., 1924, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the City Hall in the City of Sweetwater, Nolan county Texas, within the hours prescribed by law, the following described impounded animal, to-

One certain Jersey yearling heifer, no marks and no brands, light Jersey color, having what is known among cattle men, as a spoon in each ear, the same having been impounded by me on the 21st day of March, A. D., 1924.

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"Girls" Enjoy Dinner Party

Tuesday Mrs. G. E. Ramsey invited four of her old time "girl friends" to New Mexico, are here visiting Mrs. a dinner party at her home on South Lynch's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wil-Bowie Street. A part of the fun pro- kins gram was that each "girl" must be addressed by her given name.

A delightful chicken dinner was served, following which the "girls" of illness. visited with each other awhile before returning to real life, but not to forwith bath. See Ernest Wright at get the fun of "make-believe" for a few hours, "Maud" to catch a taxi to Colorado to nurse a patient seri-FOR SALE-100 bushels Cash cotton ously ill with pneumonia; "Nan" to orado's bigest oil boom is underway. look after the business end of run-Wt2 ning a modern apartment house; 'Berta" to keep the homefires burning for a busy Presiding elder of the flow of 1200 barrels daily. Cane, Millet, Kafir, Sudan, Bermuda Methodist Church; "Ella" to guide the Wt3 Library and hunt society news for The Reporter; and dear old "Ruth" to continue as guiding star in the life of her husband and son.

> · The Gleaner's Society Mrs. P. T. Quast was hostess Mon-

48p Mrs. John Ross led an interesting lesson from "Jermiah the Man," which

A large number of the class memunion program given by representatives from all of the woman's church organizations, the Gleaners will be

As a concluding pleasure Mrs. Wt3 Quast served a refreshment course.

MARYNEAL NEWS

After ten days of illness Miller Alex Archer died at his home Monday

A number of people are down with Jim Martin made a business trip to

Miss Margaret Wyman went home

Mrs. Robert Shoemaker visited with Mrs. D. N. Hodges Sunday afternoon. Our barber has taken a lay-off until times get better.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch of Roswell, Mr. Brooks will move to Champion

the first of the month. Brother Maddox is up after a week

Colorado Oil Boom

By The United Press. DURANGO, Colo., March 27 .- Col-Excitement runs high following bringing in of a gusher on the Hog Creek structure, which spouts an estimated

Sues on Directory Error By International News.

FORT WORTH, Texas, March 27 .-Alleging that he was listed as a ne gro in the 1923 city directory, a local citizen has filed suit in the District Court for \$50,000 damages against the Morrison & Fourmy Directory Company of Dallas.

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Political Announcements

The following announce their candi forms the fifth lesson from the new dacy for the various offices named be low, subject to the action of the Demo cratic primaries:

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

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

For Public Weigher ILOYD ROGERS, re-election

FOR COUNTY JUDGE A. S. Mauzey re-election

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

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

COUNTY CLERK Gus Farrar, re-election.

SUPERINTENDENT Public Instruction. J. C. Gilliam.

Miss Minnie Fowler, re-election.

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

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

FOR SHERIFF Jack Yarbrough re-election.

Jesse Lambert. FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE,

I. W. Brashear, re-election.

For District Clerk DAN CHILDRESS, Re-Election

Precinct 1

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

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

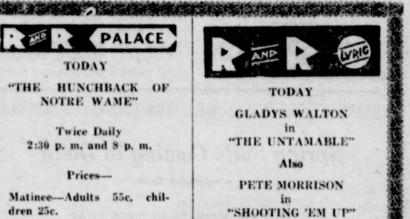
Aviators Object

By International News.

ARDMORE, Ok., March 27 .- When

they never ride in automobiles.

the State taxes gasoline for roads and tires to collect from aviators, good humor has reached the limit, according to Oklahoma birdmen. A local air organization has announced that it will protest against such taxation. Their argument is that they do not use the roads, and are in no way responsible for wearing them out. So they want to be counted out on road tax paying. No mention is made of the fact that





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