

CITY BUILDING IS BROWNS SUBJECT

Large Crowd Local Business Men Hear Colvin Brown Talk to Sweetwater Club Tuesday

MUST DEVELOP RESOURCES

Aid to Agriculture Stressed by Speaker—Examples Are Cited—Good Citizen Defined.

Taking for his theme the influence of modern business on the upbuilding of communities as well as civilization in general and outlining ways which cities are built, Colvin B. Brown of the United States Chamber of Commerce spoke to a large audience of business men under the auspices of the Sweetwater Club at the Hotel Wright Tuesday night.

Mr. Brown's remarks were briefly to the point and covered the topic thoroughly. He was most favorably impressed with West Texas, he said, and compared the business men of this section at the present time to the pioneers of other commercial sections.

"You have room for several million more people than you now have. No section has a brighter future than West Texas as an agricultural empire of vast proportions" he said.

Mr. Brown spoke in part as follows: "Business has been the most powerful influence in the upbuilding of civilization. It has not been laws passed by Congress but business men who have built this United States as we know it. I was talking the other day with a man who had seen the first railroad to reach the Mississippi river. Within the memory of people yet living, the first railroad in the United States was built. It was three miles long and was built from a quarry at Quincy, Massachusetts. Wooden rails were used and a hayburner (horse) was used for an engine. Yet this road cost the cost of hauling rock from this quarry to one sixth. About this time hundreds of families had moved from the Atlantic Seaboard across the Alleghany Mountains. They wanted goods from New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore. The railroads were built to solve their needs. The early railroads were failures and the men who built them lost money because they had to learn by their mistakes as they built. Yet they were built and there was laid the foundation of the present railroad structure of the United States."

Birth of Industry
In the early days of New England boats sailed the seas from Gloucester, Salem and other ports in search of cargoes. A noted professor wrote a history of New England using for his material the cargo manifests and insurance on those early voyages. Chinese in Canton wanted sea otter fur. There was none in New England but about that time came a report from Lewis and Clark that sea otter abounded at the mouth of the Columbia river and that many of the Indians there were trapping them. New Englanders knew how to trade with Indians. They loaded up their ships with cheapest kind of beads, trinkets, glassware, etc. Sailing the long dangerous way around Cape Horn they swapped with the Indians

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Not Abstract Man.
The Dick Jackson arrested in Plainview on a charge of forgery is not the Dick Jackson connected with the Beall Abstract Company here.

Invited to Laredo.
AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 18.—The legislature has had another temptation placed in its path entailing a visit to Laredo to attend the annual celebration of George Washington's birthday. The invitation was delivered on the floor of the house by Representative Robert Bobbitt, who promised the solons the time of their lives in the border metropolis.

Still Unconscious.
Roy Dragon, the Western Union messenger boy who has lain in an unconscious condition at the local hospital since Friday night, regained consciousness for a few minutes last night about seven o'clock. He recognized his father and spoke a few words and lapsed into an unconscious condition again.

TAKEN TO TAHOKA
Man Arrested Here Wanted on Theft Charges in Lynn County

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Walsh to Coach



Presenting Adam Walsh, famous captain and center on the sensational Notre Dame football team last fall, who has joined the ranks of college coaches. Walsh will guide the destinies of Santa Clara University on the gridiron in 1925-26, having recently signed a two-year contract with the California school.

PREDICT DEATH GAS TAX BILLS

Provisions for Lowering Auto Registration and Increasing Gas Tax Killed in Senate.

HARD DAY FOR FERGUSON

Ferguson Anti Tick Bill Ditched in Favor of Measure Advocated By Calem.

By United Press.

AUSTIN, Feb. 18.—The death of the Sale Donnell house bill lowering automobile registration fees and increasing the tax on gasoline became assured today when the Senate Committee on state affairs voted to report the bill unfavorably. Efforts will be made however to bring the bill on the floor of the Senate by means of minority reports.

This action of the Senate completed a bad day in the senate for the bills supported by Governor Ferguson. The automobile fee and gasoline tax bill measures were in line with recommendations of the Ferguson convention at Dallas.

Earlier in the day the former anti-tick bill was ditched in favor of a measure drafted by attorneys for the Cattle Raisers Association.

Representatives of oil companies attacked the proposed tax on gasoline declaring that it would be too much of a burden on the oil industry. Without a life from gasoline tax, it was conceded that lowering of automobile fees would be impracticable owing to county road building programs. It was conceded that both the auto fee and gasoline tax of the past two years would remain unchanged.

Gas Hike in Dallas
DALLAS, Feb. 18.—Following another advance of 5 cents per barrel on crude oil in mid-continent fields the retail price of gasoline and Texas filling stations of major distributing points was increased from 19 to 21 cents the gallon.

LIST CANDIDATES

Nominations Candidates in Each of Three Districts Reporter Contest Be Published.

The list of nominations for each of the three districts will be published Thursday in the Daily Reporter and Friday in the Weekly Reporter. Sweetwater makes up District one and there are nearly one hundred nominations.

The outside towns surrounding made up of Roscoe, Lorraine, Harmleigh, Ruby, Rotan, Trent, Blackwell, Hytlen and other towns have furnished over one hundred nominations. District three, which is the country district, made up of the rural routes out of Sweetwater and all routes out of other surrounding towns and other communities in the country, have the largest number of nominations, almost every community in the entire section being represented.

Almost everyone nominated has received a good support of votes, the Free-Voting Coupon appearing in the paper every issue having been voted by many subscribers and from sample copies sent out. Look for the list and if your favorite does not appear in the list make the nomination, send it in and the name will appear in the list that will be published again in the next few days.

There are three new Chevrolet Cars, one for each district, and a set of 10 prizes for each of the three districts most votes. The votes to be secured offered to workers who secure the from the Free-Voting Coupon and paid subscriptions for the Daily and Weekly Reporter. The plan is a new and interesting one. Save the Coupon in this issue, and vote it for some one.

DYNAMITE BOMB WRECKS SQUARE

One Building Destroyed and Others Badly Damaged in Pittsburgh Produce Section Today.

REPORT FIVE MEN DEAD

Firemen Search Among Ruins For Possible Dead—Blast Breaks Windows for Blocks Around.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 18.—A dynamite bomb exploded in the heart of the produce district of Pittsburgh today, wrecking two three story buildings and breaking windows for squares around. Reports are in circulation that five men were entangled in the demolished building and firemen are digging in search of the bodies.

Damage from the explosion will be over \$110,000. The bomb was planted in the Landolina building and exploded at 5:30 A. M. The Wm Penn Trust Co. and the Franklin Savings Trust Co. buildings were damaged by the blast.

The building next to the Landolina was partly demolished and sagged crazily over the street.

Scores of persons were hurled from their beds by the tremendous force of the explosion. Fire broke out immediately after the blast and the flames frightened residents of the district who fled from their homes.

Fire Department officials declared that the nature of the explosion and fire which followed were of such nature as positively to have been caused by dynamite. Authorities are searching for the perpetrators.

Brenham Pays
BRENNHAM, Texas, Feb. 18 (United Press).—Brenham's poll tax records were shattered when 1,914 of the town's six thousand inhabitants marched to the assessor's office and signed on the dotted line, according to city secretary A. H. King, the records revealed that 97 per cent of the polls assessed have been collected.

The Shrine Follies again was host to a packed house at the Palace Theatre Tuesday night at the second and last showing of the musical comedy novelty, "Around the Clock with the Debutantes," the home talent production staged under the auspices of the Sweetwater Shrine Club.

Every seat in the house was taken and those who saw the unusually splendid entertainment either night, were high in their praise of the 200 members of the cast, the gorgeous costumes, brilliant settings and clever songs and dances.

The Tuesday night performance was identical with the one of Monday night and the many stars and choruses who so pleased the first audience, failed to see the first show.

Beside the splendid work of the large cast, much credit for the success of the Shrine Follies is due Will Wade, president of the Shrine Club, who has worked with untiring efforts in staging the affair; Mrs. Frankie Terrell Young, the director whose success in handling the large cast and presentation of such an unusually great entertainment is acclaimed by all who saw it; Elmer Shaw who assisted in handling the cast and arranging the players four scenes ahead, and other Shriners and their friends who aided in the mammoth production.

One of the actors had a very narrow escape from serious injury and was unconscious for a time. Garland Vinson, one of the "diving girls" dove over the footlights into the orchestra pit. He missed connections with material to lighten his fall and landed on concrete floor instead. He went to work Wednesday morning as usual but little the worse for his experience.

MISSING CHECKS For \$1,400 Had Visitor Worried

According to night policeman W. W. Hudson, the well known absent-minded professor had nothing on a Sweetwater stranger who lost \$1,400 worth of checks here the other night.

The man in question sent out a hurry-up call for officers from his room at a local hotel. Hudson responded and the man poured forth his woes while vainly running his hand through various pockets.

He had lost \$1,400 worth of checks, and it could be nothing short of robbery, he was certain of that.

The room was turned topsy turvy, the bed clothing was gone over carefully the carpet was removed, the mattress was examined, but no checks came to light.

The officer Hudson went carefully through the man's clothing. He ran his hand down into the hip pocket of the trousers the man was wearing, and pulled into sight the missing checks.

Mayor of Wichita Falls Makes Announcement Through Attorney
By United Press.
WICHITA FALLS, Feb. 18.—Mayor Frank Collier, charged with slaying his 17 year old son-in-law, Eldridge Robertson, is still in seclusion and refuses to see anyone except his attorneys, through whom he announced today that he would reign within the next 24 hours.

HEAR APPEAL

Ranger Injunction Suit in Appellate Court Wednesday
By United Press.
SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 18.—The Ranger injunction suit granted in District Court here against the use of the Rangers except on border duty and prohibiting state officers from paying them was heard in the Court of Civil Appeals today.

The Appellate Court advanced the setting of the case because of the gravity of the situation.

Pastal Bill Up

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The postal pay and rate increase bill was sent to Committee Conference today.

A motion by Representative Blanton of Texas to receive and compare the Senate Amendment was defeated in the House by a vote of 234 to 120.

Authorities Seek Prevent Spread Of Influenza in Town

As a result of the influenza and pneumonia epidemic that is seemingly sweeping the country, local authorities in co-operation with the city health officers are taking precautions to prevent congregating on the streets or sidewalks, loitering about drug stores, cafes etc., and will also endeavor to stop the practice of many people of spitting on the sidewalks.

"Move on" signs have been put out over the business district under the orders of city health officer Fortner, prohibiting loitering and congregation of people in public places, as on the sidewalks and streets. Chief of Police Buck Johnson Wednesday morning stated that efforts would be made to break up the practice of spitting on sidewalks. Officers pointed out the danger of spreading disease by this unwholesome practice and declared that the practice would be broken up. This order applies to "old timers" the same as to everyone else, officers declared.

Every effort will be made in the city to prevent the spread of influenza which has already, in varied degrees of severity, attacked hundreds of people throughout the state.

REPEAT FOLLIES

Large Crowd Seen Second Performance Shrine Show—Garland Vinson Injured in Dive.

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SPECIAL RETURNS

Business Cars of President J. L. Lancaster and Vice-President Somerville Enroute East.

The special Texas and Pacific train carrying the private cars of President Lancaster, vice-president Somerville, and party will pass thru Sweetwater late Wednesday afternoon. The officials are returning to the east after an inspection trip to El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. Kingdon Gould, of New York, and directors, who accompanied Lancaster to El Paso, have gone on to the Pacific coast, it is reported.

According to information received here, it is probable that the special train will stop for only a few minutes this afternoon, if at all.

Father Dies.
Dan G. Shields was ealed to Glenn Rose, Texas, Wednesday on account of the death of his father, John Shields. He was accompanied by his brother, W. W. Shields of Roscoe.

Welcome Daughter
AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 18.—Miss Dorra Ferguson, daughter of the governor and queen of Texas at the Mardi Gras carnival to be held at Havana in March, will be given a quasi-official welcome by the Cuban government upon her arrival, according to information received here.

Miss Sarah Steele
Miss Sarah Steele spent Tuesday at Lorraine.

TO INVESTIGATE LACK AIR CRAFT

Special Congressional Investigating Committee to Probe Into National Defence.

SERVICE PLANES LACKING

United States Has Less Than Fifth Of Number of Planes Called For in War Plans.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—A special Congressional investigating committee sitting all summer will delve exhaustively into the whole problem of national defense as the result of testimony by high army and navy officials to the house Aircraft investigating committee sitting in secret session.

The Aircraft committee is not evidenced that national defense is properly correlated and balanced and members will seek authority for continual investigation which the Senate will be asked to join. Secretary of War Weeks and of the Navy, Withers, were asked to send personal representatives before the committee and give in strictest confidence answers to questions asked.

Major general John L. Hines, chief of staff and his aide, Major S. D. Wilby, appeared for the War Department. In response to the cross fire of questions it was disclosed to the committee:

1. That the United States has only one-fifth of the number of planes planned of the war department call for.
2. That less than 2 per cent of the general Army staff are air officers although the air service is one of the major arms of defense.
3. That American insular possessions have virtually none of the planes theoretically allotted to their defense.
4. That out of 106 pursuit planes which army strength requires only 21 are on hand at this time.
5. Out of 58 bombing planes and 106 attack planes called for in army plans the army has only 24 and 1 respectively.

Sold Girl For Small Used Car And \$15 in Cash

TULSA, Okla., Feb. 18.—Authorities today are attempting to locate L. R. Branletter and Roscoe Harmon said to live in Forter, Oklahoma, in connection with charges filed here that the two forced Ethel Helsey, 17 to marry Branletter, 23.

It is alleged by the girl's mother that the girl was "sold" to Branletter by Harmon, her brother-in-law for \$15 and a small used car.

Rumors Increases Fair Stock
BALLINGER, Texas, Feb. 18.—Additional stock in the Kuntzels County Fair Association to the extent of \$5,000 is being placed, it is stated. This increase will give the fair a capitalization of \$15,000.

NOT FACED LONG
HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 18.—Edgar Toug, negro, fired twice at Charlie Vaughn another negro, just to "run him off a job in the ship channel".

At the examining trial, Vaughn was asked if he was facing Toug when the gun play started.

"When he sees him and that gun he was facin' me and from there on he was behin' me" Vaughn informed the court.

ISSUE LICENSE
A marriage license was issued by the county clerk this week to W. F. Dunn, Palava, and Miss Minnie Lee Fulbright, of Trent.

STATE ANTHEM
"Eyes of Texas" Will Be Recommended to Legislature

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 18.—"The Eyes of Texas" state university anthem, will be recommended some time this week to the legislative committee as the official state song by Senator Trut Strong of Dallas.

Strong indicated he would throw the song before the committee as a rival for committee preference over "Texas, my Texas," former-governor Pat Neff's bid.

The university anthem was first written as a comic skit, but struck popular favor after it was sung at football games and was dignified by adoption as the university anthem.

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The Cobra Cut



When Rudolph Valentino appeared with his sideburns cut in the above manner friends too polite to suggest that he shaved himself dubbed it "the cobra cut."

LANGHORN ASKS CHANGED VENUE

Defence Rests Case at Noon Saying All Fayette County Wants Youth Electrocuted.

INSANITY WILL BE DEFENCE

Defence Attorneys List Several Members of Langhorn Family in Insane Asylums.

By United Press.

LAGRANGE, Texas, Feb. 18.—Defence in the case of William H. Langhorn, indicted for the murder and criminal assault of two high school girls, Minnie and Valeria Zapala, rested at noon today on their motion for a change of venue.

The state is expected to complete their argument against change this afternoon with action by Judge J. T. Jefferies on the motion expected late this afternoon.

Attorneys for Langhorn insisted that all Fayette County wanted the young man to die in the electric chair and that change of venue would have little or no effect here.

Langhorn is the son of a wealthy plantation owner with plenty of spending money and two automobiles. He took the 15 and 17 year old Zapala girls for a ride in his car after a high school basketball game. Langhorn attacked Minnie and shot Valeria to death when she interfered. Then believing Minnie also dead from blows from his revolver he assaulted her according to his attorney.

The youth sits in the court room by the side of his father who has employed four attorneys to save the life of his son. The youth does not seem to realize the seriousness of the crime he is charged with and laughs and jives at times. According to defense attorneys several members of the Langhorn family are in the insane asylum and they will introduce testimony that Langhorn's mind is affected toward perversion.

GETS TWO OF THREE
Escaped Convicts From Anson Jail Located in Oklahoma

ANSON, Feb. 18.—Two of the three prisoners who escaped from the Jones county jail at Anson have been apprehended at Medford, Oklahoma, near the Kansas State line and have been returned to Anson.

Both men had been given penitentiary sentences of ten years each at Anson week before last on charges of highway robbery.

The apprehension of the men came when they were arrested at Medford for driving an automobile without license plate, stolen in Anson.

ENGINE BREAKS AXLE

Repairs for Switch Engine Blocks Main Line Traffic.

Texas and Pacific switch engine No. 260 broke an axle late Tuesday afternoon while switching a string of box cars on the main line near the passenger station.

A crew of workmen worked for some time in taking off a wheel and repairing the damage temporarily so that the engine could be moved off the main line. While the work was going on, passenger train No. 3, west bound, also came in on the main line, but was flagged down and sent in on a passing track.

The engine was sent to Big Springs Wednesday for repairs.

SHERIFF RESIGNS

Continued Ill Health Forces Fisher County Official Out

ROBY, Texas, Feb. 18.—W. M. Burnett has tendered to the Commissioners of Fisher County, Texas his resignation as Sheriff. The resignation was accepted and the court appointed N. C. Terry Sheriff to fill the unexpired term. The continued bad health of the Sheriff was the cause of his resignation.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Walker have taken an apartment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Parker, on W. N. 3rd street.

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GEN. MITCHELL STANDS PAT

Before the house navy committee which has been probing charges that General Mitchell was too diligent in trying to prove the efficiency of air craft as a war weapon, the general stood his ground. He declared that he had not disobeyed orders of his superiors in proceeding with recent air maneuvers. "We carried out all orders to the letter," the general said, "and if we did anything that the navy disapproved it was in proving that a bombing airship could sink a battleship." The country will not disapprove the addition of such a fact to its stock of military knowledge. It should welcome the truth, instead of seeking to muzzle and disgrace those who bring it. The army and navy strategists who are trying to punish General Mitchell for his frankness in regard to a subject of considerable interest to the nation should not find many sympathizers in a congressional committee.

TOO MANY SLACKED

A writer in the Outlook tries hard to rejoice over the fact that after widely extended effort the votes of a few hundred thousand citizens saved the country from having a minority election. To be exact, 51.2 per cent of the people went to the polls. This was a perceptible though certainly not enormous increase over the total in 1920. Putting the grand total for two years side by side it is shown that 26,646,273 out of 54,165,907 possible votes were cast in 1920, against 29, 138,935 out of a possible 56,941, 508 were cast in 1924. Other things beside good citizenship influenced this increase. There were slogans and circulars, and every bill board flaunted an invitation to a citizenship to do its duty. "Vote as you please—but vote" was the central slogan. There is good sense in the Outlook's suggestion that if this slogan is brought forth for service, in the next campaign it should be amended to read "Vote as you please—but think first!" No community has yet tried to classify the characteristics of these millions of citizens who fail to take part in the country's elections. There is no record that their voting would improve the nature of the results, but why are they so slack?

It isn't always the thyroid gland that makes thieves. It may be the limousine complex.

The military age is that within which civilians do mighty little clamoring for war.

A hick town is a place where people still get excited when a flivver whams a pedestrian.

Cross word puzzles are educational. Think how many people now know that Ra is a sun god.

A philosopher is one who can observe current events and remark only: "Program coming on fine."

People are funny. The most gullible believe anything and everything except the gas meter.

He was a stranger in Chicago. He stopped a pedestrian to ask his way. Funeral tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Press agents describe a great man as "human" but you can't be sure until you see him eating a hot dog.

You can tell when you are on the right road. The cross roads have so few wrecks.

AMUSEMENTS

George Larkin, the greatly admired screen star, plays the part of a young detective in "Mysterious Goods," the second of this series of stunt pictures. To say that he works as hard in this picture as he did in the last one is superfluous. What with subduing one gang of international bank crooks and trailing another which had stolen the plans of Nan's father's invention across the country, the young fellow has his hands full. See this at the Lyric today and Thursday.

Dora News

The influenza is still raging in this community. H. W. Clayton has lost a fine mule which strayed away from his home last Monday.

Church here was not very well attended Sunday owing to the great amount of sickness in the community. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mallon of Dora were Abilene visitors Sunday.

Marshall Porter, who has pneumonia was taken Wednesday to the Sweetwater sanitarium where he will be given special treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Rotan are the parents of a fine girl born Thursday, February 12th.

Miss Modena Whitaker, who is attending the Sweetwater high school, was out of school last week on account of the flu.

Brooks News

Mrs. Jasper McCoy of Merkel was a Sunday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McCoy.

The state inspector visited Brooks school last week.

Miss Bertha McClure spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McClure at Decker.

The Brooklyn Literary Society of Brooks school will give its regular program on Friday afternoon. Some interesting numbers will be given and many visitors are expected.

Vanjelia Smith, one of the high school girls is confined to her room this week on account of the flu.

The Brooks boys are planning to play Dora's second team in a match game of basketball on Friday, February 20th.

A number of boys and girls of Brooks are looking forward to the Inter-scholastic Contests.

Mrs. J. E. Derrick of Decker visited her daughter, Miss Ruth, Friday.

Mrs. Austin Storey and Mrs. Rhodes were visitors at Brooks school Friday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Bright were in Sweetwater Monday.

Plasterco News

The Plasterco public school is on the second week of the sixth month and is progressing nicely. Every student is hard at work, and all seem to realize it is work that counts after all.

Athletics are running very high in the school at present. The girls have not lost a game this year. On Feb. 8 they played White Pond. White Pond's girls play snappy ball, but lacked the team work to defeat our team.

The consistent work of our girls, Julia Davis and Edith Johnson, was too much for their forwards. The score was 9 to 2 in Plasterco's favor.

Boys have won two games from White Pond boys.

Pupils are at work for the Inter-scholastic meet. This school will be represented in almost every event. The track team is under training and shows steady improvement.

On Friday night of the 13th the Parent-Teacher Association gave a free educational picture show of valuable entertainment.

The Boy Scouts of Plasterco won their first game Thursday the 3rd. The game was played with old basketball men of Plasterco. They soon found out that time had played a trick for them, and the Scouts were counting the court too much for their advantage. The score was 9 to 5.

Saturday night the 14th the Boy Scouts had a picture show for the community. A representative crowd saw the picture.

Guy McNeal is just back from a trip to Chicago. He reports a nice trip for pleasure as well as for business.

O. G. Lewis was in Lubbock last week-end on business.

Mrs. C. C. Drury has returned from a visit to her people at Bryant.

Nolan Haynes' car was damaged very much by fire caught from the cable to the battery. He extinguished the fire by throwing sand on it.

CHAMPION

Everybody is busy in the fields getting land in shape for planting. The farmers are going ahead with their breaking and listing. This section is enjoying an unprecedented spell of almost spring weather. Things are "greening up" a bit and predictions

PLUM CREEK NEWS

Rev. Frank Black of Abilene was unable to fill his appointment at Plum Creek Sunday on account of sickness. Rev. W. D. Black of Sweetwater preached in the afternoon.

Mrs. Tom Parker entertained the young people with a valentine party Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boyd are visiting their son, eGorge, who lives in the Methodist Tabernacle Sunday. Also the regular Methodist services were held Sunday at 11 a. m. and Sunday night.

The Champion school is progressing nicely. Five months will soon be gone. It is hoped to have three more. For according to the Principal, J. W. Minor, it is impossible for the pupils to make their grades in less than eight months.

The rural school inspector, Mr. Rasco, visited the school last Tuesday. After a very thorough inspection of grounds, building, equipment and methods of instruction, he was generous enough to allow our school \$500 in state aid to supplement the other available funds of the district. We feel very much complimented that our school received such favorable consideration. The inspector recommended some improvements in the building which the trustees will carry out as soon as the present term of school closes. Some improvements are being carried out now, such as better equipping the drinking fountains and about fifty volumes are being added to the library.

The Girls' basket ball team played Brewster Friday and won, 23-8. Principal J. W. Minor was referee. The girls' team has not lost a game this season. They are put through a stiff practice every day by Coach Minor and some first class players are being developed. The lightning forward, Dyess, is the feature of each game. She does wonderful work. Adams, the other forward, is developing speed and accuracy.

The boys are turning to base ball. A new outfit of balls and bats have been ordered and practice work will begin at once. The smaller girls have an interesting game of volleyball each day. Some subjects in the children's grades are being completed and new ones will be taken up next Monday.

ROYSTON NOTES

Mrs. Pink Smith of Royston, Texas, died at her home at 11:15 Monday night of Bronchial pneumonia. She was confined to her bed about ten days before her death. She leaves four daughters, Mrs. Bessie Grimes of Cheyenne, Okla., Mrs. Elma Rector of Hermleigh, Tex., Mrs. Edna Patterson of Plainview, Tex., and Mrs. Carrie May Maberry of McCaulen, Tex. Also two sons, Messrs. Cay and Bartlett Smith of Waco, Tex. Mr. Pink Smith, the father and husband having died in 1910. Mrs. Pink Smith's death is regretted by all who knew her. She was an ideal mother to her children, and was an ideal neighbor who was missed very much by all the Royston people.

She has been a resident of Royston for twenty four years. The Smiths were the pioneers of Fisher county. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Parks at the Royston Baptist Church of which Mrs. Smith had been a consecutive and useful member ever since Royston had a church. She was interred at Roby Cemetery at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. D. W. Stephens of Royston has been confined to her home with the flu for two weeks.

Royston Camp Fire Girls camped at Mr. Ed Bright's tank Monday night and report a night of pleasure.

Farmers of this section are busy preparing land for this year's crop.

Mrs. Phillip Youngs left this morning on her return to Lamesa, following a visit of several days here at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dalton Moore.

Blackland Tidings

Mrs. Annie Howe and daughter, Miss Emily, and Mrs. Ada Holt were shopping in Sweetwater Wednesday. Mark Dawson has been on the sick list but is able to be out again.

An old-fashioned spelling match at the school house Friday evening was enjoyed by old and young, Clyde Mathews and Raymond Staton proving themselves the best spellers as they stood to the last each time.

A Literary Society was organized the same evening and will hold its regular meetings the first Friday evening in each month. Will Keeling was elected president, Clyde Mathews, vice president and Miss Winnie D. Sumrall, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scott and babies spent Sunday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Q. B. Scott.

Mrs. G. Y. Hibbert had as her guest last week her sister, Mrs. Rosie Rainbolt of Rotan.

Mr. Wade Ray and Miss Winnie E. Sumrall attended the picture show "After Six Days" at Roscoe Saturday evening.

Clyde Mathews, Robt. Mathews and sister, Jewel May and Hilda Autery were in Sweetwater Saturday afternoon and saw the motion picture "North of 36".

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Autery and son, T. E. Jr. went to San Angelo Thursday on business.

Miss Mayme Lou Parr met the girls Home Demonstration Club in its regular meeting Monday from one to two. The woman's meeting was at the home of Mrs. Ada Holt on this occasion. Much enthusiasm is being evinced and the ladies are planning a good year's work.

Messrs. Wade Ray and Post and Miss Annie Ray and Agnes Thompson were guests of Miss Willie D. Sumrall Sunday evening.

A singing at the Mathews home Sunday evening was enjoyed by all present. The class is using their new song books now.

Miss Vara Lee Hodge spent Saturday with Miss Opal Taton, the two going for a hike in the pasture and enjoying a camp fire dinner.

Miss Hilda Autery spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Rial Criswell of Roscoe.

A Valentine Post office proved quite interesting to the pupils of our school Friday afternoon.

The blackboards of the Blackland school have been reslated and improved the appearance of the rooms so much.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Maddox of Mary neal were in Sweetwater Tuesday night.

Ed Rudd has installed a radio in his home on the ranch.

Jack Collins made a business trip to Throckmorton the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben G. Horn and children were welcome visitors at the Stimboughs' Sunday.

Mrs. Howe and children motored down on the Rogge farm last Friday afternoon.

Parks Jones has installed a light plant at his ranch home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Garette entertained the young people with a Valentine party. Everybody had a good time.

Miss Margaret Cruse of Sweetwater is spending a week, the guest of the Hartgraves.

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EXEMPT DIVERS

Anti-Mask Bill Creates Fun in House
—Speaker Squelches.

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 18.—Deep sea divers are not within the realm of state legislative measures when in their native atmosphere, Speaker Lee Satterwhite ruled when an amendment was offered to the anti-mask bill adopted by the house. The rejected amendment would have asked exemption for the divers within the three mile limit.

Considerable incrimment was abroad in the house following exempting amendments for some fraternal organizations, Santa Claus and Halloween celebrations from the anti-mask measure.

However, Speaker Satterwhite shut off some of the fun, it was later revealed, with the summary ruling and prompt putting of the question for engrossment.

Quitting Party

The ladies of the Lamesa St. Baptist

church met at the church Monday afternoon for a quilting party.

Ms. W. S. Vaughn is reported very much improved this morning from an attack of pneumonia. Two other members of the family who are quite ill are said to be better, also.

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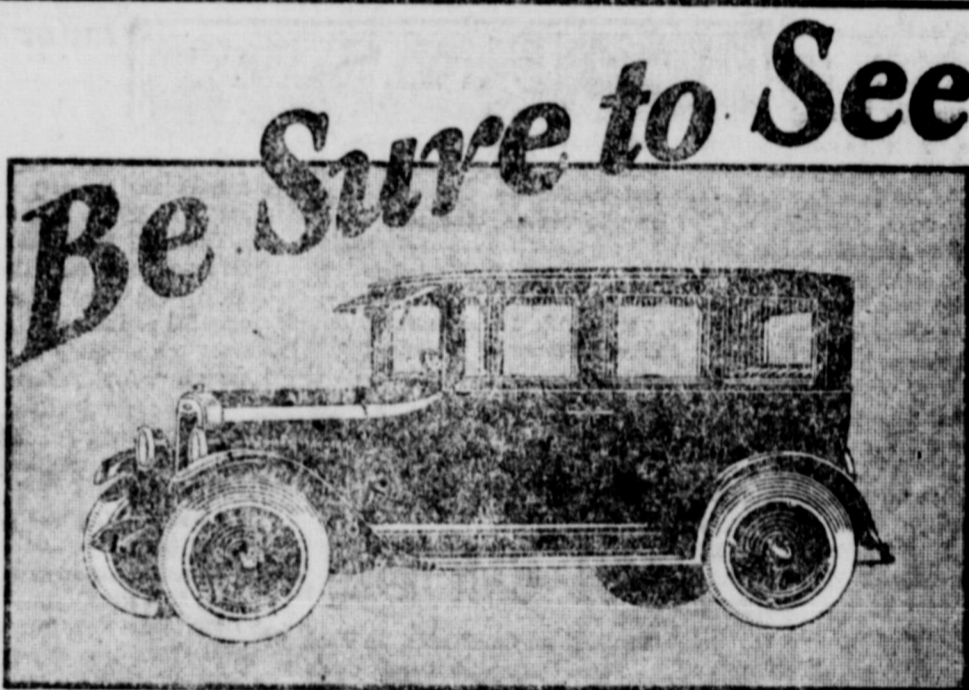
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Westbrook News

The leading citizens of Westbrook met in the school auditorium Monday night and organized the Westbrook Chamber of Commerce, with H. A. Gassiter, president, A. T. King, vice president, Miss Ben Gan Ingram, secretary, Mrs. N. A. Terrell, treasurer. The object of this organization is to promote the welfare of the town of Westbrook.

Van Bostan is mayor and B. T. Rice is city marshal. Westbrook inaugurated a regular trades day to be held the first and third Saturdays in each month. Two of these days have already been held which were very successful from a social as well as financial standpoint. Ollie Byrd returned from Dallas yesterday. Mrs. Byrd remained in Dallas to be with their baby who was operated on for mastoiditis. Mr. Byrd reports the baby doing well.

A small Mexican child was lost near Westbrook a few days ago. No trace of the child has been found so far. Westbrook is in the throes of an influenza epidemic. No serious cases so far. The City Council of Westbrook is planning to install waterworks for fire purposes. Rev. A. D. Jamieson and F. D. Copeland of Blackwell, were visitors in Westbrook a short while Friday.

MANY CHANGES ON BIG TEAMS

Many New Faces on Club Rosters As Big League Teams Start For Spring Training.

OTHER MANAGERS STAND PAT
McGraw One of Very Few Managers Who Thought Enough of Team To Retain It Intact.

New York, Feb. 18.—John McGraw was one of the very few major league managers who thought enough of his last year's team to stick to it for another campaign. There are other teams that haven't been changed, but most of these remain the same because their managers couldn't make the changes they wanted.

Jack Henricks made several additions to the Cincinnati Reds from the minor leagues, but he failed to get a first baseman to succeed Jake Daubert and he probably will have to go through the season with Rube Bressler a reformed pitcher, on first base. Bressler is a very good player, however, and he may fill the bill.

The Braves and the Cubs were well shaken up by a big deal and both clubs may be benefitted.

McGraw says that Pittsburgh will give him his hardest fight. He thinks that the Pirates will be improved as a result of the trade with the Chicago Cubs. The Pittsburgh officials were criticized as a result of the trade but others thought it was a smart move. It must be remembered that some of the best ball players are not assets. There are numerous ways in which they can be a handicap to a team. Some players are disturbers and some are easy-going to a point of being soft.

Maranville and Grimm may be a big asset to the Cubs but they were almost a loss to the pirates, and Bill McKechnie found the best way to get some one in their places.

Washington made the most line-up changes among the American League teams, and the team should be greatly improved for the race. Dutch Routhier and Sam Cosentino are not young enough to be sure things, but neither are they too old to be desperate gamblers. Venn Gregg, who comes back from the minor leagues, is a gamble. The return of Walter Johnson to the team was the best piece of luck Bucky Harris had because Sir Walter is almost certain to be a winner for at least two more years. The addition of Mike McNalley also ought to be of benefit to the team, as reserve strength was vitally needed. McNalley also has the habit of landing on a pennant winning team.

When the season ended last fall, McGraw was asked what he was going to do to strengthen the team during the winter. He replied that he was going to do nothing. He said he was satisfied with the team, was content to make another race with it and that he would make some changes only if a trade was offered his that he couldn't turn down.

Some threats were made that any of the players might be traded, but they were issued perhaps for the purpose of getting the players in a signing mood when the new contracts came around.

As the Giants finished the season last year they were one of the youngest and most versatile teams in the major leagues. Hank Gowdy, Frank Snyder and Irish Meusel were the only players that were really old. The infield with the exception of Heinie Groh, was the youngest in the league.

Before he went south, McGraw said he had planned to start Kelley in center field with Terry on first base and Linstrom on third base. Young will be in his regular place in right field and Meusel may be back in left field. Frisch and Jackson of course are fixtures at second base and short-stop.

Kelley can be used at first base, second base or center field. Ross Young can be used at second base and Frisch can be moved over to short stop or third base and Heinie Groh is also available for third base duty. With these players the Giants have the most elastic team in the Major Leagues.

McGraw, of course, could use some more pitchers. No manager would turn down a couple of good pitchers. It may seem reckless on the part of McGraw to start another season with a pitching staff that has just been able to stagger through four hard campaigns. But McGraw apparently figures that he can do it or he counts on finding something good among the young pitchers that report to the training camp.

The Giants could also use a younger catcher. Gowdy and Snyder are capable workers but they are slowed up

to a crawl. Perhaps the Giants will be no worse off behind the bat than their rivals because there has been a most striking shortage in young catchers for several years and most of the other clubs are depending upon veterans to do the receiving.

Decker News

John W. Craig had his filling station and store completed, near the P. M. church and is ready to serve the people with gas and groceries. Commissioner George, having the Decker-Maryneal road over hauled this week.

George Sheppard was down from Sweetwater last Tuesday in the interest of his insurance company.

Dr. Young of Roscoe was called to see Grandpa Whitlow Saturday, who is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. M. Harris. Mr. Whitlow stumbled and fell Saturday morning, hurting his hip. He is up in the eighties and very feeble.

There was a great deal of flu in the community.

Mrs. Oswald Everett and daughter, Mary Louise, and Mrs. Mike Sedberry and daughter, Margie, were visitors at Winters Friday and Saturday.

Charlie Hadderton of Sweetwater and Miss Myrtle Lewellen of Hylton were visitors here Monday afternoon.

Rev. G. W. Tankersley of Abilene filled his regular appointment at the church Sunday. D. W. Henry, Jr. and Clyde Stokes, a young preacher and singer, who entered Simmons College this term conducted the services Saturday night. All who did not attend missed a splendid service.

Tom Crow of Abilene was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. H. C. Mauzey Sunday.

Miss Edith Craig who has been sick for the past month, was taken to San Angelo Monday for treatment. Miss Craig was training for nurse in the Sweetwater sanitarium in Sweetwater when she was taken ill. It is hoped that she will soon be able to return to her work.

Miss Alice Cochran who is teaching at Hylton, spent Sunday here with home folks.

W. C. George and father and W. C. Mauzey spent Monday in Sweetwater.

The Sunday School at Decker School house has been reorganized and it is hoped that large crowds will be present each Sunday.

Mrs. John Hubbard was joint hostess with Mrs. Clyde Payne last Wednesday, when they gave a beautiful George Washington Bridge Party, at the home of Mrs. Payne.

HITSON NEWS

School is progressing nicely. The State inspector has visited this school and all feel sure that it came up to a part of his requirement.

Basket ball girls played Plastro last Friday. It was a hard game, and it seemed that this team would win as the first half was over. However, the next half the tide turned and they poured it on.

Mrs. C. H. Carter is spending the week end at Moran with her sister.

Adson Bittle turned his car over a few days back. There were four occupants in the car. No one was seriously hurt.

Miss Annie Bittle visited Miss Ruby Elder Sunday.

Henry Flemmons made a flying trip to Stamford Thursday.

The young folks enjoyed a social at Bailey Meeks Saturday night. Everybody reports a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Bailey visited Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Sunday.

Harvey Bailey, Dee King, Cossie King and Jewell Bailey attended church at Round Top Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Caldwell have moved to Tuxedo.

Miss Mrie Eaton is suffering from tonsillitis.

Quite a few young folks attended church at the Nazarine college Sunday night.

Port Williams was a Roby visitor Saturday of last week.

Tom Carter made a flying trip to Breckenridge Friday, returning Saturday.

Mrs. K. D. Herman has returned to her home at Shreveport, La., after a visit of several days with her sister, Mrs. Sam Parker, at 101 Hailey St.

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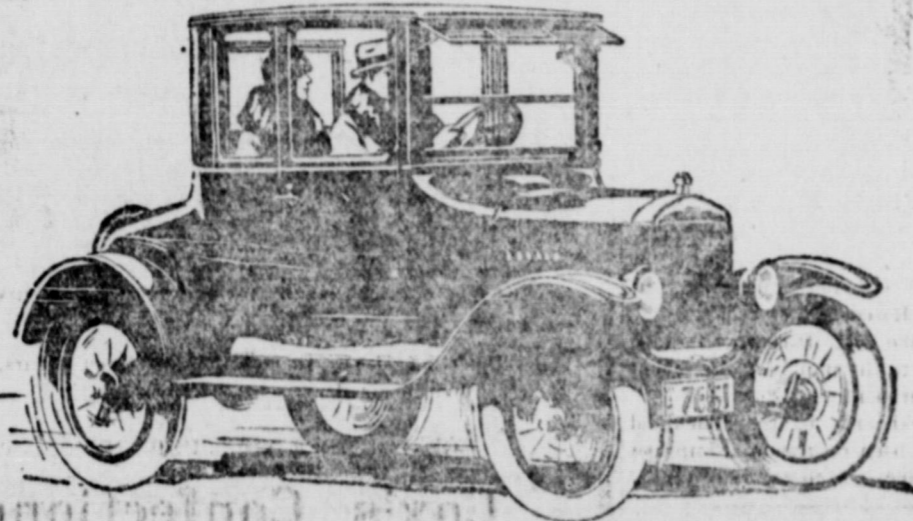
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- For Mayor: James H. Beall, Jr., John J. Ford, For Street Commissioner: M. C. Manroe, Walter Trammell (re-election), For Water Commissioner: L. E. Musgrove (re-election), Horace Wade, Roy Bardwell, For City Secretary: W. H. Bartlett (re-election), S. H. Shook, For Chief of Police: W. R. (Buck) Johnson (re-election)

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SECTION 1. Upon the approach of any vehicle or apparatus of the Fire Department of this City answering an alarm of fire, the driver of any vehicle other than a vehicle of the said Fire Department, shall drive as closely as possible to the right-hand curb and stop, and shall not follow within three hundred (300) feet after the said vehicle or apparatus of said Fire Department has passed. No vehicle, except by direction of the Chief of the Fire Department or other officers of said Fire Department, shall approach or park within three hundred (300) feet of a fire at any time.

SECTION 2. All vehicles pertaining to the Fire Department of this City shall have prior right of way upon all the streets and avenues of this City, and it shall be unlawful for any person, awner driver, motorman, chauffeur, engineer, conductor, or any other person in charge or control of any buggy, wagon, carriage, street car, automobile, engine or train, or any other vehicle propelled by whatsoever motive power to carelessly, wantonly, willfully or maliciously delay any fire apparatus of this city in going or coming from any supposed or actual fire.

SECTION 3. Any person who shall violate in any way any of the provisions of this ordinance, or who shall fail or refuse to comply therewith, shall upon conviction be fined in any sum not less than \$5.00 or more than \$100.00.

And Whereas, public safety and the free and efficient operation of the fire department of this City demands and constitute and create an emergency and an urgent public necessity requiring that the rules and charter provisions providing for ordinances to be read at more than one meeting or more than one time, be suspended, and require that this ordinance be passed and take effect as an emergency measure. Such rules and provisions are accordingly suspended, and this ordinance is passed as, and shall take ef-

fect as an emergency measure, and shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its passage. Passed and approved this 5th day of February, 1925.

Approved, Joe H. Boothe, Mayor, (Seal) Attest, W. H. Bartlett City Secretary of the City of Sweetwater. 15110c

WASHINGTON LETTER

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WASHINGTON.—Since President Coolidge sounded the trumpet call for more economy there has been a general scurrying among officials to put the brakes on inefficient practices. Comptroller General McCarl, the organ of Washington, has issued a ukase to the 65,000 government clerks employed in the Capital, calling them to strict account for punctuality and service. While the order was addressed only to his own force of 2,300, has automatic authority over the government expenditures makes it applicable to all.

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Let someone accuse him of jumping on the downtrodden clerks, witness McCarl's edict to the whiskered and aged justices of the United States Supreme Court that they may no longer drink mineral water in their chambers at the government's expense. Since time immemorial, one of the prerogatives of the sages of the supreme tribunal has been the bottles of mineral water at their elbows in their offices. McCarl ordered that charging the government for this luxury be discontinued. The government, he said, will buy bottled water for no one—be it president of supreme court justice—unless the public supply of water is unfit for human consumption. No doubt some of the justices next summer will contend that the hot muggy water from capital faucets is unfit and try to put across the mineral water charge again. When that happens there will be a lot of legal fun.

President Coolidge gets a lot of gifts and some of them have strings tied to them. Recently a woman in Austria sent him a package of cookies. In a letter accompanying them she asked him to sample them carefully and if he liked them, please send her the money with which to open a bakery. Needless to say the cookies went back unsampled on that basis.

Out in Lyons, Kansas, there is a small office with a sign hanging out "William E. Borah, Atty. at Law" It was in this town that the present powerful political figure in the Senate was admitted to the practice of law and labored until he removed to Idaho, where he first displayed his shingle. According to word reaching here, the sign was never taken down, and rather a year ago.

The Capital hasn't had a real inaugural ball for 17 years and won't have one this year. Ambitious citizens, however, have arranged a Charity Ball for the night of March 4 and it is hoped it will be a close approximation of the splendor and glory of the scintillating events formerly held. President and Mrs. Coolidge will attend but they have lent their names to head the list of patrons and patronesses. Vice-President and Mrs. Dawes, however, will be there and the desired official touch. Brig. Gen. Mitchell, the fighting assistant chief of the air service, is the general chairman of the arrangements committee, and Colonel Edward Clifford, former assistant secretary of the treasury, heads the reception committee. The ball will be held in the newest of

Washington's giant hosteleries, the Mayflower on Connecticut Avenue, about five blocks from the White House. Refusal of the President and Mrs. Coolidge to attend is due to the Secretary of the Interior Work is liable to become one of the oil industry experts of the country by the time he finishes his term of office.

A doctor by profession, he is now up to his ears in oil, as it were. From the time he became Interior Secretary, he has had to keep close tab on conditions in the petroleum industry as administrator of enormously valuable oil lands in Oklahoma for the government's Indian wards. Now he is in still closer touch with affairs, as the President's oil conservation board. This was appointed by Mr. Coolidge to survey conditions in the industry with a view to husbanding the nation's petroleum resources which geologists claim face entire depletion in another 20 years.

DEALERS DISPLAY SPRING FASHIONS

Fifth Avenue Shows Summer Frocks After Ground Hog Indicates That Winter Is Over.

FUR TRIMMING POPULAR Long Cloth Coats Trimmed With Fur Being Worn—Pump Shape Shoes Good—Skirts Shorter.

By HEDDA HOYT

Fashion Editor of the United Press. (Written for the United Press.) NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The ground hog came out of his winter lodging glanced at his tail to see if it cast a shadow and seeing none did a marathon about the field, which meant that spring is not far off.

Little did he know that the shopkeepers on Fifth Avenue would be interested in his maneuverings. But with winter off their hands and an early spring in sight, they began to retrim their windows with summery materials and frocks. Until now the few summery frocks displayed were meant for those who travel southward in winter, but from now on thanks to the groundhog, the styles we see are put out for our own selection.

Already we see the return of lighter weight clothes. Many women have already cast off their fur coats and are wearing long cloth coats trimmed in fur. The first of these to appear were of bright reds and greens, but more recently we see light beige trimmed in light-toned fur about collar, cuff and hemline. Real spring models confine their fur trimming to neck and collar or to the hemborder, but seldom to both. Kashas and English woolen materials are the favorite materials for the long coat. Fur-trimming includes yellowish shades such as krimmer, beige-dyed fox, fitch leopard and gray wolf.

Hats match the coat or the ensemble suit this season and most of these are made of felt and trimmed with flowers at one side or on the top of the crown. Little bunches of flowers placed at the top of the crown are a

but more spring-like than the perky little bows of ribbon, although one sees much of both.

Skirts are shorter than they were earlier in the winter and necklines are cut a bit higher to give balance to the figure. Sleeves are very short or full length on frocks.

Shoes of pump shape are the most popular for spring and recently introduced are the ankle straps which are worn with pump-shaped shoes. Suedes are passing with the winter and satin again is a leading shoe fabric. Kid in light tans and grays are shown in all L. e. shops and two-toned shoes of blending shades are shown for street wear. For dress wear there are brown satins which are several shades deeper than the blond shades which were popular this season.

Melon-Shaped Sleeves. Many spring frocks are made with melon-shaped sleeves with the tight-fitting cuff extending over the wrist. These are practical for street wear and since the sleeves are decorated in embroidery, they give a bit of color to the dark crepe or silk frock. The sleeves are always of the same material as the frock with the design carried out in contrasting colors which may be repeated elsewhere on the frock.

Full Skirts. Silk frocks invariably have some fullness introduced into the skirts. Usually inverted tucks or fine shirrings confine the fullness at either hip. In cloth frocks pleats are stitched at the sides and released at the flounce to give fullness. Sometimes the pleats in semi-sports models are set in pane.

effect from the side pockets and they are released at the knee to give the desired full hemline.

Violet-Hued Bonnets. Violet, fuchsia and cyclamen pinks are the shades one sees most of in millinery. Sometimes several shades of purplish tones are blended and those with pinkish cast are most becoming. Just at present one sees very few hats that are made of felt, since felt rules the millinery world. The purplish tanned corsage is the one most popular with the wearers of the fuchsia bonnet. One sees many young girls with violet colored blouses or tunics, tan topcoats violet hats and violet corsages. Even the border of the kerchief is kept in violet tones.

Mrs. M. B. Howard will be hostess Thursday at a meeting of the Priscilla club.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kendrick motored to Olney Wednesday to visit their daughter Mrs. George Pruitt and family.

Don't Suffer

Don't let rheumatism, lumbago, backache cause you an hour's discomfort. Do what millions have done for 65 years. Apply St. Jacobs Oil—get its instant relief. You know it must end such pains, else it could not have lived so long.

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FOR THE TINY TOTS

Wash Dresses and Suits

We have just received the newest Spring models in wash dresses and suits for the youngsters of from two years up.

Here are tiny dresses in linen, English broadcloth and gingham in the new, dainty Spring colorings, or in dainty pongees and voiles.

Sailor suits for the boys, or cunning little two piece suits for the boy just beginning to walk around.

You would indeed have to go far to find a more comprehensive showing of children's clothing for spring than we are displaying here.

Then for the older girls and Misses we are showing a beautiful line of wash dresses in the bright solid colors, or in stripes or checks. The materials are linen, English broadcloth or gingham, and the sizes are in a range that will assure you a fit.

These are individual numbers and if you desire individuality be sure to get your dress no later than tomorrow—we do not want you to be disappointed.

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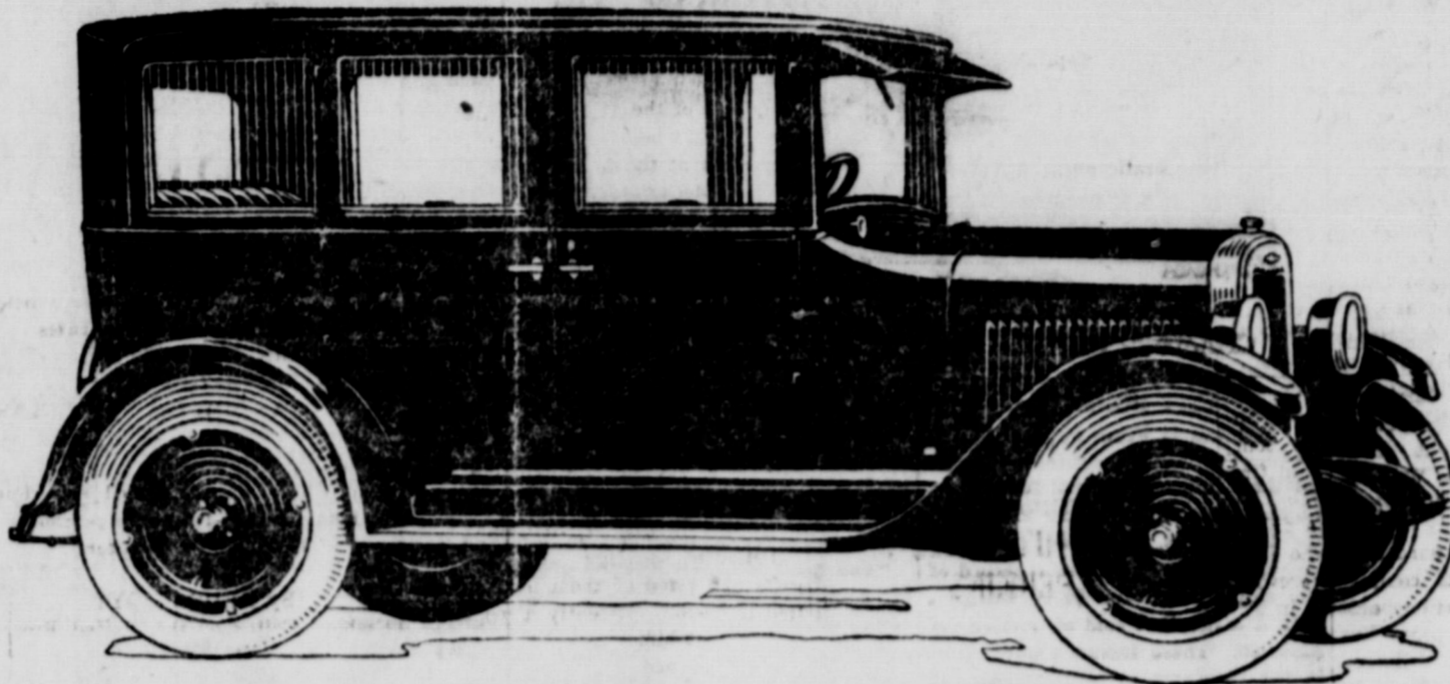
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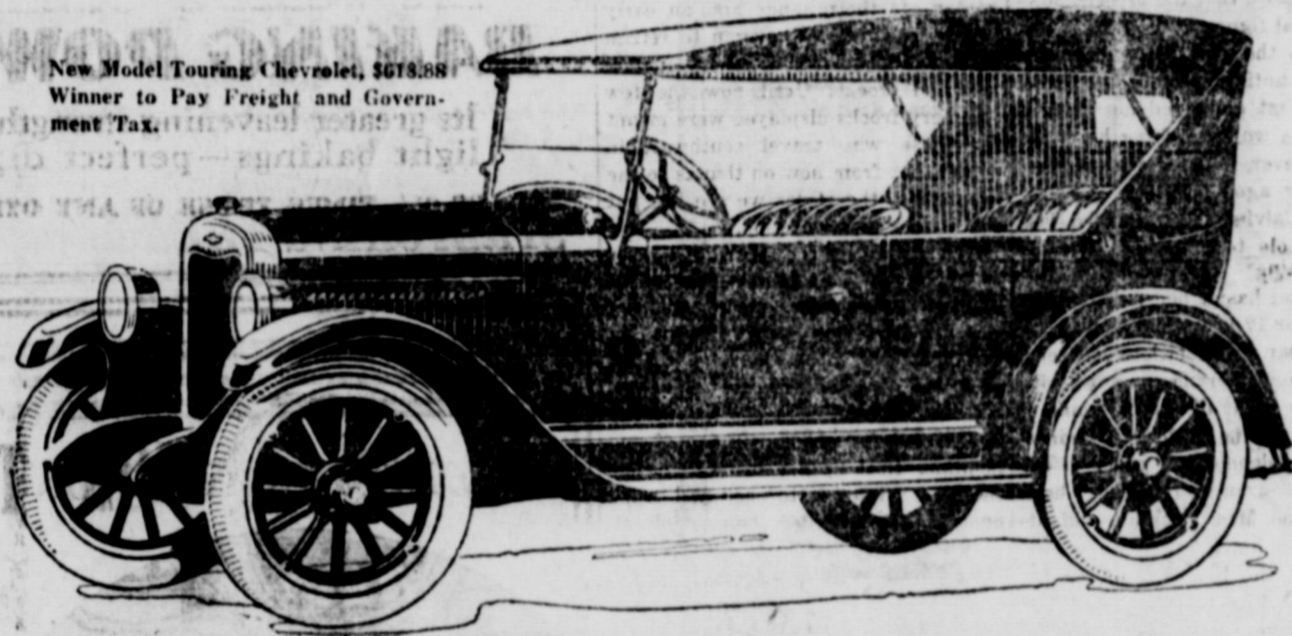
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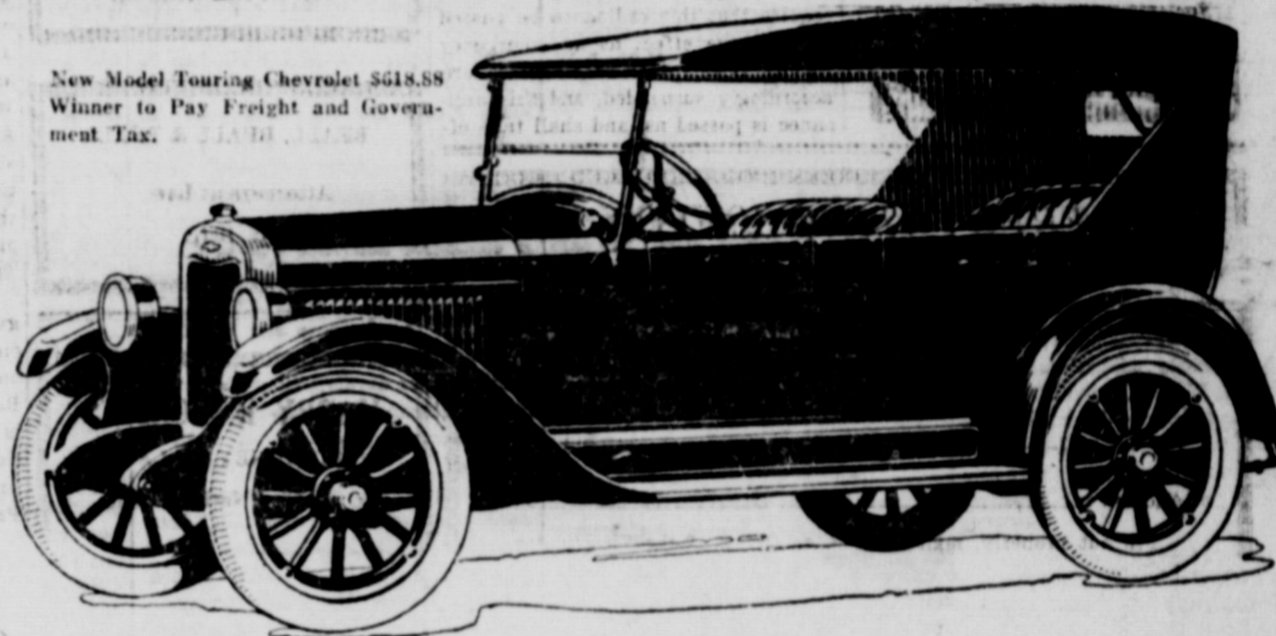
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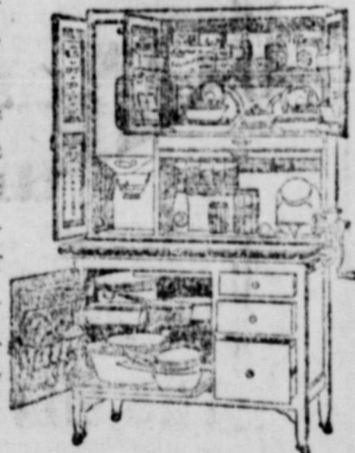


District One

The City of Sweetwater is district one. Workers who reside in this district will be awarded one of the Chevrolet cars and full set of ten prizes.

First Prize for District One: THE CHEVROLET SEDAN OR TOURING CAR. The highest vote polled in either of the three districts will be awarded the Sedan. The two touring cars will be awarded the other two districts.

Second Prize for District One: The Highest Class Kitchen Cabinet and latest Sellers' invention. The most perfect kitchen cabinet made. With the cabinet is ten piece set of kitchen cutlery and 11 piece glass ware set. Sold and on display by Wright Fur. Co.



Third Prize for District One: ELECTRIC UNIVERSAL COFFEE URN SET, four pieces, urn, cream, sugar and tray. \$65.00 value. The best money will buy. Choice of the Grecian or Farmington patterns. On display at the West Texas Electric Company.

Fourth Prize for District One: WRIST WATCH, High Grade Swiss 15 jewel movement, white gold fill case. Choice of several designs. Sold and guaranteed by J. P. Majors, Jeweler, Sweetwater. Value \$98.00.

Fifth Prize to be announced later.
Sixth Prize to be announced later.

Seventh Prize for District Two: Choice of any ladies' hat at Mrs. C. D. Lindley Millinery Store. The very latest in hats. Many choice designs.

Eighth Prize to be announced later.
Ninth Prize to be announced later.
Tenth Prize to be announced later.

District Two

District Two is made up of the towns of Roscoe, Roby, Blackwell, Hyden, Rotan, Hermleigh and other surrounding towns. Workers who reside in this district will be awarded one of the Chevrolet cars and full set of ten prizes.

First Prize for District Two: THE CHEVROLET SEDAN OR TOURING CAR. The highest vote polled in either of the three districts will be awarded the Sedan. The two touring cars to be awarded the other two districts.

Second Prize for District Two: New Style Columbia Console. The very latest in phonographs. Sold and on display at Dr. Quast Music Store, The \$100 class.



Third Prize for District Two: COMPLETE BOOK-KEEPING COURSE OR SHORTHAND AND TYPING in the San Angelo Business College. This College is noted for the thorough training given, and positions secured for students. There are a number employed by Sweetwater firms. \$75.00 for Entire Course.

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District Three

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First Prize for District Three: THE CHEVROLET SEDAN OR TOURING CAR. The highest vote polled in either of the three districts will be awarded the Sedan. The two touring cars to be awarded the other two districts.



Second Prize for District Three: Singer Sewing Machine. The Five Drawer "55", latest model round bobbin machine. This model is used in the public schools and colleges. The \$100.00 Class. On display at the Singer office, Sweetwater, Texas.

Third Prize for District Three: COMPLETE BOOK-KEEPING COURSE OR SHORTHAND AND TYPING in the San Angelo Business College. This college is noted for the thorough training given, and positions secured for students. There are a number employed by Sweetwater firms. \$75.00 for either course.

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Classified Section

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two large unfurnished rooms, modern conveniences, to couple without children. Phone 689-J. 7-tfc

FOR RENT—Building now occupied by Dabney Motor Co., possession June 1. Rufus Wright. 5-tfc

FOR RENT—1 nicely furnished bedroom. Phone 688. 301dtfc

FOR RENT—Bed room and garage. 102 Beall Street. Phone 661-J.

FOR RENT—Room and board, 902 Locust, phone 143-M. References required and exchanged. 8-tfc

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms, 502 W. N. 4th street. 12-tfc

FOR RENT—three furnished rooms and three unfurnished rooms. Modern conveniences. call 419 13-dtfc

For Rent—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Garage. 609 Lamar street. Phone 35 13-dtfc.

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished to man and wife without children. Phone 455. 16-tfc

FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom connecting bath, private entrance. Phone 182-M 16-3dp

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Easy terms, five room Spanish style stucco house, modern conveniences. 50 by 150 lot, cement walks. Phone 732-M. 11-12mo

FOR SALE—Five room stucco house, 50 by 150 corner lot, modern conveniences, garage, easy terms, phone 732-M 11-12mo

Manure for fertilizer, \$1 a load delivered to your garden or lawn. Phone 696, Davis Wagon Yard. Joe Jenkins. 12-tfc.

FOR RENT—Five room house with modern conveniences 411 Elm Street. R. H. Fitzgerald. 15-tfc
WOOD for sale. Phone 150. 25-tfc

FOR EXCHANGE—Full size iron bed, springs, and mattress for three quarters size. Phone 554. 7-tfc

Valentine Tea and Package sale will be given Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. G. Davis, 510 Cedar St. Packages will be sold for 25 cents. An interesting program will be given and refreshments served, without any further charges. A free will offering will be taken. 15-2tfc

MAXWELL CLUB COUPE

For Sale—This car has original tires still on it, and has always been used on paved streets. It will serve for a new car and can be bought at a very substantial saving.
WESTERN MOTOR COMPANY
300tfc

SODA FOUNTAINS, carbonators, drug confectionery and restaurant fixtures, showcases, candy refrigerators cases, new and second hand; low prices and easy terms. Southern Fountain and Fixture Manufacturing Company, Dallas Texas.

FOR SALE—half horse electric motor. Sweetwater Reporter. 300tfc.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags; will pay 5c per pound. Reporter office.

FOR SALE—1923 Ford Touring. Good terms. Phone 383-J. 303tfc.

FOUND—watch in washing machine. Owner describe it and pay for this ad. Heath Tailoring Co. Phone 383-J.

WANTED—man to contract building 300 barrel cistern. Call in person Office United States Gypsum Co. 13-tfc.

Doctors Rosebaugh, Fortner and Brann announce the removal of their offices to the second floor over City National Bank and Bowers Drug store. 31mo—weekly 4tfc

SALESMAN WANTED—The Winona Mills Company want high class salesman for Sweetwater territory; liberal commission paid daily; permanent and profitable to right man; spring samples now ready. Write J. N. Davis, field manager, 501 Main, Big Spring, Texas. 15-tfc

CHICKS—Single comb White Leghorns, Ferris Best-Strain; every nest a trap nest; no culls in pens; live delivery guaranteed; prices delivered 25 chicks \$6; 50 chicks \$11; 100 chicks \$20. Driskill Leghorn Farm, Ranger, Texas. 16-tfc

WANTED—Reliable woman to do light housework three mornings of the week. Phone 542. 16-2tfc

FOR SALE—Cheap: a bull dog. Phone 564. 16-2tfc

FOR SALE—Jersey heifer (Male) with first calf both for \$25.00. J. W. Bibb, phone 96-M. 16-3tfc

FOR SALE—Eggs from Red Buff Orpingtons, \$2.00 per 15. See these birds at 1008 E. N. Third street. Come look them over. Phone 452. Will have a few days, chicks for sale after Saturday the 21st. 16-5tfc

Enjoy a good program and meet your neighbors at the Christian ladies Tea Thursday afternoon, at 510 Cedar St. Nice packages will be sold for 25 cents. Refreshments. 15-2tfc

Come to the Christian Ladies Tea and package sale Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. G. Davis, 510 Cedar. A good program, lots of fun and refreshments. Packages 25 cents no other charges. Free will offering taken. Don't miss it. 15-2tfc

Mrs. E. C. Brand of Hamilton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Carl Hagan and her little grandson, Carl Brand.



COLVIN B. BROWN
CHIEF OF ORGANIZATION SERVICE BUREAU
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE UNITED STATES

CITY BUILDING

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for their furs and set sail for Canton China. There furs were exchanged for tea, spices, and finest porcelain and chinaware. There is a record of one ship insured for \$1750 bringing back a cargo that sold at auction for \$200,000. These fortunes were spent in the development of New England water power. And this laid the foundation of America's first manufacturing.

"Here in the United States are less than five per cent of the people of the earth. Yet we have a large percentage of the basic commodities. For example the United States produces 50 per cent of the world's iron and steel, 60 per cent of the world's cotton, 60 per cent of the oil, and 92 per cent of the world's automobiles, some record for only 150 years of growth!"

Community Building

"How can a community best develop itself? The old idea of chamber of commerce activities was to end it at the corporate limits of the city. Perhaps once in a while have a barbecue for the farmers and put them on the back. But the new idea is to help farmers develop, help them with their marketing problems and increase their purchasing power. A town in Arkansas formed a cotton growers association to help cotton farmers get what their cotton was worth." Here the speaker cited an instance of farmers receiving less than half the value per bale which condition was ended with the formation of the association.

"I. L. Lolle Fournier, North Dakota, farmers were not getting what their wool was worth. Business men helped organize a wool growers association and that ended that trouble. In Adrian, Michigan, farmers took what they could get for their fruit and produce and what was not sold was fed to the hogs. A marketing association was formed, with trucks to haul produce to Detroit markets. Now there is always a market for all produce at a good price. The businessmen organized the association with the pledge to the farmers that as soon as the association got on a paying basis the farmers could buy the stock. Today farmers own and operate the organization."

"St. Scott, Kansas depended upon wheat. For two years wheat failed. Farmers were broke and could not pay their bills or notes. Business men of the town formed an association to sell pure bred cows to the farmers at cost and on credit. Last year that county received a half million dollars in revenue from one milk condensary alone, has 525 miles of paved roads into the county and it is otherwise very prosperous through the production of milk, which was taken over as a side issue."

"The old Chamber of Commerce idea about industries were that they were some thing that could be plucked from trees somewhere. Before you can get industries you must create a condition whereby they can pay dividends. With the removal of obstacles that may be in the way industries can prosper. Growth of industries in a city is from within, not from without."

"Compare your town to a manufacturing plant. If the management of an industry devoted its time to production, it would be a poor management. If it devotes its entire time to sales, it would likewise be a poor management. Improve your plant, improve your agricultural conditions surrounding your plant and you are on the right track."

"In this connection I might say that your salespeople behind the counters of contact between folks in your trade

territory and your town. Chambers of Commerce realize this and are educating these people that courtesy and intelligent service are not only good for their own particular line of business but also for the town as a whole."

"You can't stop the driving power of organized effort. Teach your young people through your schools and churches, though meetings of young folks in business and in every way possible, to see this city not as it is now but as it can be 20 or 30 years from now. And nothing can stop you from building a city."
"Myron T. Herrick when mayor of Cleveland, was once slated to deliver an address on "Good Citizenship." He wired a number of prominent men, and without excepting these men replied that in order to be a good citizen a man must take an active interest in the community, wherein the lives."

WEST TEXAS NOTES

Turkey Stealing to Be Made a Felony.

Leading turkey raisers in Brown County are planning to send a petition to Senator Woodward in the senate at Austin and to Representative Pearce, in the other wing of the capitol to enact a law making stealing of turkeys a felony and fixing the punishment at a term in the penitentiary not less than four nor more than ten years. As the law now stands the pilfering of turkeys is merely a misdemeanor with a nominal fine. During the past season turkey thieves caused heavy loss and continual worry in Brown and other counties. Several years ago it was a misdemeanor to steal a piney woods razor back shote and as a result hog thieves damaged the razor back shote industry to very annoying extent. Wiley Imboden went to the Senate and had a law enacted making it a felony to steal a shote just the same as stealing a horse and that put a stop to the pilfering of piney woods squeals.—Brady Standard.

Four Weeks Court

In Coleman County Costly. A glimpse at the records in the county clerk's office will give the average layman a minute idea of the tremendous cost of holding court. Up to February 1, which includes only four of the recent five weeks' term of court, \$1,931 was paid out of the jury fund to jurymen. This does not include the salaries of the district judge, the district attorney, district clerk and sheriff fees nor the court reporter. Neither does it cover other costs in non-jury civil cases.—Coleman Democrat Voice.

Coleman Discontinues Home Demonstrator.

The Commissioners' Court in session Monday voted unanimously to discontinue the work of Miss Gertrude Brent, home demonstration agent in Coleman County when her present contract expires, June 1, 1925, and have so informed the United States Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas.—Coleman Democrat Voice.

Coleman Youth

Going to West Point. J. T. Blair Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Blair of this city, who is studying animal husbandry at A & M College, is one of the young men in the 17th Congressional District to be awarded a West Point scholarship. It is a signal honor bestowed upon a worthy young man, but just what disposition will be made of it has not yet been decided. Should young Mr. Blair accept the scholarship and take advantage of its provisions he will have to enter

the great military training institution in July.—Coleman Democrat Voice.

Runnels May Lose Its Motor Service.

It is being rumored, and from well informed sources, that the motor car service on the Abilene & Southern Railroad will either be cut off or suspended entirely. Unofficial information says that the motor car is being operated at a loss. The passenger haul on the car does not carry express only the revenue from the mail contract is left to support the service. A string of service cars are operating between Ballinger and Abilene, and running on schedule time are handling practically all the passengers between the two places. It is understood that the officials of the Abilene and Southern have given notice to the Winters people that unless better patronage was forthcoming that the motor car would be discontinued. The motor car service was put on as somewhat of an experiment and after the citizens of Winters had repeatedly petitioned Col. Morgan Jones, owner of the road for better service. The car is operating on a schedule which makes it very convenient for those who patronize it, especially in rainy weather, and gives the city and points along the route an early mail service which has been worth considerable to the territory. Discontinuing the car will greatly cripple the mail service.—Ballinger Ledger.

US LOANS HUGE SUMS TO WORLD

Foreign Securities Sold in This Country During 1924 Over Double Those of 1923.

AS GREAT AS WAR YEARS

Borrowing by Foreign Governments and Foreign Corporations Reaches High Total.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(United Press).—Foreign securities publicly offered and sold in the United States during the past year were more than double those sold during 1923, and exceeded by more than \$200,000,000, the amount sold during 1922, according to statistics compiled by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce.

The gross volume of foreign securities publicly offered in this country last year, reached \$1,208,438,294, the Bureau reported, while the figures for the previous year were \$588,316,500, and \$841,435,000 in 1922. The 1924 figure was only slightly exceeded in the peak years of 1915 and 1916, when the Anglo-French loans were offered in the American market.

Of the monies borrowed last year, \$132,902,500 consisted of securities issued by corporations solely on their own credit, the remainder representing central government, provincial, or municipal loans including corporate issues guaranteed by government agencies.

The marked increase in foreign borrowings was attributed by the Bureau to a number of factors. Three of the factors included the increase of interest of American investors in foreign securities, acceptance of the Dawes plan, and the abnormal low money rates in New York, which gave added strength to the outward flow of capital.

Europe the Largest Borrower

Europe borrowed \$567,770,000—far more than any other region of the world. Of this total only \$40,000,000 were refunded, leaving a new investment of about \$520,000,000 representing an increase of about \$40,000,000 over the preceding year, and about \$335,000,000 over 1922. A large part of this amount was borrowed for financial reconstruction.

The German government loan of \$110,000,000 provided for in the Dawes plan, served the two-fold purpose of increasing the gold reserve in the Reichsbank and of providing means for the financing of reparations in kind.

The French loan of \$100,000,000 is being utilized largely for exchange stabilization.

Part of the Belgian issue amounting to \$50,000,000; will be used for debt consolidation.

Other loans made primarily for productive purposes, such as the French railway issue, have, nevertheless been important from an exchange stabilization point of view.

Tea and Package sale Thursday at Mrs. W. G. Davis' home. Packages will be worth the 25 cents asked for them. Program and refreshments. No other charges. Free-will offering. 15-2tfc

OFFER PRIZE \$100.00

Theme on Texas History Wanted by San Antonio.

President of Battle of Flowers Association of San Antonio, offers a Prize of \$100 for the best Poem which has for its theme an incident in the

history of Texas.

1.—The author may be any one who wishes to compete. 2.—Contest closes March 20. 3. The poem must contain not more than 500 words nor less than 200. 4.—The poem must be typewritten and on one side of the paper only. 5.—The name and address of the writer to be enclosed in a separate envelope and sealed. 6.—The manuscript must

be mailed to the Editorial Department of San Antonio Express. 6.—The judges will be selected by the President of the Battle of Flowers Association. 7.—The right to use any poem in celebration of San Jacinto is reserved.

The Cercle Club will meet with Mrs. R. C. Crane Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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