

A Thought for Today.
Faith, hope, charity
—and the greatest of
these is charity.

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Weather
West Texas tonight
freezing weather—Thurs-
day fair, warmer.

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Terrific Blast Takes Huge Toll of Miners West Virginia Mine

Hope for Entombed Miners Abandoned As Bodies of Two Are Found in Wrecked Passageway—Believe 34 Are Dead.

BLAST FELT FOR TWENTY MILES

All Structures Near Mine Including Light Plant Demolished—Put Out Light In Fairmont, W. Va. Bomb Rumored.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., March 18.—All hope for the rescue alive of any of the 34 miners entombed in the Barrackville Mine, No. 41, of the Bethlehem Mining Corporation were abandoned at noon today when the bodies of two of the entombed victims of last night's terrific explosion were found in the passageway.

It was believed that all men in the mine were either killed outright by the explosion or suffocated by the exhaustion of the air after the explosion.

The hundreds of watchers on the hillside overlooking the rescue work however refused to give up hope that their loved ones would be taken from the mine alive.

EXPLOSION TERRIFIC.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., March 18.—Hundreds of rescue workers struggled this morning to reach the 34 miners entombed in the Barrackville mine of the Bethlehem Mining Corporation three miles from here.

The miners were cut off by a terrific blast at 9:30 last night. The belief that all miners entombed are dead was expressed today by Benton Mitchell, superintendent of the mine.

"The mine is a total wreck as the result of the explosion and probable fire," Mitchell said.

The blast is believed to have been caused by a gas explosion. It rocked the vicinity for twenty miles around, destroying structures near the mine and causing the lights to go out in Fairmont temporarily.

It is believed the roof of the mine passage collapsed leaving the men in an eternal tomb.

Thousands of persons gathered at the mouth of the mine following the explosion and many rescue squads went to work immediately.

After many hours of work, the rescue workers had not been able to reach the men either dead or alive.

Rumors of a bomb explosion were linked with the fact that on Oct. 1, 1924, the mine went on an open shop basis. These rumors were stoutly denied by officials of the Bethlehem Corporation.

In 1916 ten miners lost their lives by an explosion in the same mine.

The victims of last night's explosion had been at work only a short time when a rumble was heard and then the terrific blast broke loose. The explosion wrecked the electric light plant at the mine, crippled the fans supplying the mine with air, and smashed the shaft hoist. The shaft was partly filled with debris.

Experts from the Bureau of Mines at Pittsburgh and the state Bureau at Charles took over direction of the rescue work.

SENATE OBJECTS TO ANOTHER MAN

Same Coalition Which Defeated Warren Nomination Now Lined Up Against Woodlock.

NAME WAS RE-SUBMITTED

Woodlock's Confirmation to I. C. C. Rejected for Connection N. Y. Financiers.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The same coalition which defeated the President's efforts to make Charles B. Warren attorney general, today served notice of objection to the nomination of Thomas F. Woodlock, New York, as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Woodlock's nomination was re-submitted to the Senate today after having been confirmed at the last session. Account of criticism that Woodlock was too closely identified with New York financial interests.

Mrs. A. E. Alford and baby she visited relatives in Sweetwater.

Actress Ill



Ethel Barrymore, noted actress, is ill at Kansas City and has been compelled to cancel a week's engagement. She is suffering from arthritis.

SALTY PUPS LOSE TO HAMLIN NINE

Slow and One-Sided Game, Tuesday Afternoon Results 25 to 16 De- feat for Local Team.

HIT THREE HOMERS

Herring and Toler of Sweetwater and Hoyt of Hamlin Make Round Trips—Both Teams Hit.

The Sweetwater High School Salty Pups failed to get revenge for their opening of the season defeat at the hands of the Hamlin High School nine, and for the second time within a week came out with the small end of a 25 to 16 score in a one-sided and slow game in a blinding sand storm Tuesday afternoon. A fair sized crowd witnessed the dragging nine innings in Swater Park.

Hamlin jumped ahead from the start, knocking Fitzgerald from the box and scoring 12 tallies in the first two innings. With Herring in the box, the Pups tightened down slightly but were unable to halt the slamming of the Jones county men.

Sweetwater finally rallied in the ninth, after Taylor was sent in as a pinch hitter and singled. Four hits followed, and Coach Henton of Hamlin pulled Dean from the mound. It was in the ninth that Toler made a round trip with a long fly to right, scoring two ahead of him. The Pups scored 6 runs in the final inning. Herring of Sweetwater also got a homer on a long fly to left with the bases bare. Holt of Hamlin did the distance hitting for the enemy, socking the pill for a round trip in the first.

Herring and Fitzgerald were nicked for 19 hits, while Dean and Dunn for Hamlin surrendered for a total of 16. The combined force of the Hamlin mound workers was able to score 7 strikeouts as compared to 4 made by Herring.

The line-up:
Sweetwater: Webb, 3b; Cage, rf; Toler 1b; Henry cf; Mitchell lf; Schumacher in; Sheridan 2b; Roy 2b; Fitzgerald p; Herring p.

Hamlin: Writtingham 1b; McGee 3b; McClung cf; Boyd ss; Hoyt c; Via lf; Roland cf; Owen 2b; Dean p; Dunn p; Waggoner cf; Harris rf.
Umpire, Grady Charles.

CHANGE SCHEDULES

Bus Lines Leave Sweetwater Earlier In Afternoon.

Following the recent change in the Santa Fe train schedule, whereby 92 arrives at 3:30 instead of 4 o'clock as formerly, the bus line drivers out of Sweetwater have also advanced their schedules accordingly, leaving as soon after the arrival of No. 92 as possible.

Cobb Banks on This Pair



Manager Cobb of the Detroit Tigers is banking strongly on two veteran members of his pitching staff this season. They are "Dutch" Leonard, southpaw, and "Rip" Collins, big right-hander. Each is showing great form at the Augusta (Ga.) training camp. Collins is shown in the inset of above layout.

Sues Dead Man



Can a woman sue a dead man for her husband's debts? Such a question has been raised in Los Angeles where Mrs. Gertrude Isaac has sued for \$125,000 from Peter Gross, wealthy suicide. Mrs. Isaac says Gross owed \$350,000 while she lived with him as his wife.

ORIENT RECEIVER ASKS BIG CREDIT

Would Issue \$1,000,000 Receiver's Cer- tificates as Security Government Loan.

TO REBUILD RAILWAY

Would Improve Track and Rolling Stock—Underwriters Add Million And Quarter.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—W. T. Kemper, receiver for the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway today asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to issue receiver's certificates for \$1,000,000 bearing 6 percent interest to be deposited with the Secretary of the Treasury as security for a government loan of that amount.

With this million and \$1,250,000 to be paid in by the underwriters of the reorganization plan, Kemper announced that it was planned to rebuild the Orient, replace equipment and take the line out of the receivership and place it on a paying basis.

The Kansas City Federal Court, of which John Pollock is judge, has approved the issuance of receiver's certificates in the amount specified.

With the two and a quarter million dollars thus made available, rounded and rolling stock of the Orient can be placed in first class condition and a much greater traffic handled.

Extra Votes And Extra Cash Offered

STATE RESTS IN LANGHORN TRIAL

Defense Attorneys Scheduled Fight To Save Youth Charged Murder And Assault.

WILL PLEAD INSANITY

Expect Use Confession of Youth As Evidence Mental Derangement In Crime.

By United Press.

LAGRANGE, March 18.—Defense counsel in the trial of William Langhorn, Jr., 25, were scheduled for a fight to save the youth's life from charges of murder, attempt to murder and criminal assault in connection with the slaying of Valeria Zapala and an attack upon Minnie, 15, sister of the slain girl.

The State ended its case abruptly late Tuesday, not calling Minnie, only eye witness to the crime, to the witness stand.

Only the confession of young Langhorn made on the night of the crime in which he admitted the slaying of the girl and the attack on her sister, and testimony of witnesses including Sheriff William Loessin, who captured Langhorn after a 20 mile chase, were submitted as evidence by the State.

The defense is expected to use the confession as the basis of their plea of insanity.

TRY STARR FOR BLACKWELL JOB

Otto Starr Goes on Trial in District Court Wednesday Charged Car- lisle Robbery.

IDENTIFY STOLEN ARTICLES

Carlisle and Sheriff Yarbrough Take Stand and Tell of Recovery Stolen Items.

The trial of Otto Starr, indicted by the Nolan county grand jury for burglary in connection with the robbery of the Carlisle Mercantile Co. at Blackwell last fall, got under way in District Court Wednesday morning following the completion of George Ayers' trial Tuesday night.

Two others who were indicted with Starr are reported to still be at liberty following the escape of one from jail at Belton. The third man has not been arrested according to authorities.

Starr appeared in the court room this morning with J. C. Babb, Sweetwater, his attorney. J. T. Brooks, district attorney, assisted by county attorney R. D. Cox, represent the state.

Tom Carlisle of Blackwell took the stand this morning and identified a large quantity of clothing including dresses, trousers and cut, as being stolen from his store.

Sheriff Jack Yarbrough followed Carlisle on the stand and testified concerning the recovery of the stolen goods. A quantity of the clothing was fished from a water tank near Abilene. Several articles of clothing were discovered in possession of Mexicans at Elmhole, Taylor county, Sheriff Yarbrough testified.

AYERS GETS SIX YEARS IN PRISON

Former Service Car Driver of San Angelo Found Guilty by Jury of Santa Fe Robbery.

NO STATEMENT IS MADE

Reported That Counsel for Defense Advised Client to Accept Verdict Given.

George Ayers, formerly a service car driver at San Angelo and a World War veteran, was found guilty of robbery with fire arms by the jury in District Court here late Tuesday night and was sentenced to 6 years in the penitentiary. The jury was out nearly two hours although it was reported that the first ballot was unanimous for conviction.

Neither Ayers nor his attorney made any statements although W. A. Anderson, defense counsel, is reported to have advised Ayers to accept the verdict.

Ayers was charged with the robbery of the Santa Fe passenger station here on the night of December 30 when he and Dick Toland are alleged to have forced D. D. Dixon, ticket agent, and his wife, to open the safe and escaped with approximately \$600. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon, and Mrs. Maud Tollett, the former wife of Dick Toland, were the State's star witnesses against Ayers. Toland received a sentence of 7 years in his trial here last fall, and is now serving time at Huntsville.

The trial opened the criminal docket in District Court Monday morning. The case went to the jury at about 6:30 Tuesday evening following the examination of many witnesses during the day. The court room was well filled during both days of the trial.

Character witnesses for Ayers were placed on the stand by the defense Tuesday. District Attorney Brooks also placed witnesses on the stand who testified, as to Ayers' reputation in San Angelo. Willis Barbee, former deputy sheriff, and now chief of police at San Angelo, was one of the witnesses used by the State.

The State and defense rested at about 3 o'clock and Judge Leslie prepared his charge for the jury. The arguments to the jury got under way shortly after 4 o'clock.

Miss Beulah Horton is spending the week at home here from Arlington. She has as her guest A. R. Jacoby of Yoakum.

Plenty Of Fishermen But Fish Are Lacking

Thirty-five car loads of fishermen braved the cold norther that swept Lake Trammell's surface Wednesday morning to be among those present for the opening day of the Lake Trammell fishing season which officially got under way at 5 o'clock this morning.

The road leading to the big lake 8 miles south of town resembled a scene on Broadway at 42nd street as hopeful nimrods headed their flippers toward the promised land of fishing. By noon, nearly half a hundred cars dotted the long shore line of the lake.

There was plenty of fishing but no fish according to reports from the lake early Wednesday morning. In a report to the city hall officials by telephone at 10 o'clock this morning, John Rowland, lake keeper, made a brief but sufficient statement: "Thirty-five cars of fishermen and no fish."

Weather conditions were unfavorable on the opening day, old timers declared, referring to the cold weather and north wind, but with hopes undaunted nimrods from miles around passed through town early Wednesday Lake Trammell bound.

Some good catches are expected late this afternoon, however, and interest in running high as to who will be held the spotlight when the big ones are displayed tomorrow morning 'er tonight, and the happy nimrods tell and re-tell the story of "how I landed him".

A stiff contest is expected for the high powered reel offered by Carter Hardware Co. for the biggest bass caught today. In another contest, every fisherman will have a chance to win an "Absolutely cheap, unsplit, Bamboozle rod" which is being offered by the Costephens Hardware Company for the champion bass between now and Saturday.

The bamboozle rod is displayed in the Costephens show window and will go to the fisherman who recites the biggest yarn on "how big the one that got away was" or how many of us it took to land him" etc. Fishermen have from now until Saturday to create their big yarn.

Up to 16 o'clock Wednesday morning a total of 146 permits had been issued at the city hall, amounting to \$958. The permits issued were as follows: Annual resident, 71; Daily resident, 26; Annual non-resident, 11; Daily non-resident, 38. The majority of the non-resident permits were purchased by nimrods from Roscoe, Colorado, Merkel and Snyder.

SENATE PASSES PRISON MEASURE

Teer Bill Providing Relocation State Prison System Has Majority 20 to 8.

WOULD SELL ALL PRISONS

Entire System of State to Be Re-located—New Buildings to Be Constructed.

By United Press.

AUSTIN, March 18.—Final enactment of the Teer bill to relocate the penitentiary system in central Texas was voted by the Senate this morning 20 to 8.

Further attempts of Senator Fairchild to delay action were "steam rolled", the vote on the final passage coming only five minutes after consideration of the measure was taken up.

Fairchild pleaded in vain to offer an amendment.

A commission of 5 State officials is created by the bill to sell prison property, buy a new site and construct for buildings and all other equipment. Appropriation of \$200,000 was made, the amount to be returned to the State treasurer in 2 years from the proceeds of the sale of the existing property.

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PORK

From present indications, hog prices are going where everybody wishes their salaries were. One result of skyrocketing pork means 60c or 70c bacon soon. It will take a lot of cotton to keep the family in sowbelly this coming season. Raising enough pork on the farm to keep the family going will be that much—and some porkers to sell will add a very certain income that isn't so certain always from cotton. The cow, sow and hen combination is a winner in spite of the weather. Regardless of the profit from cotton, a farmer can always raise his own stuff cheaper than he can buy it. And marketing the surplus provides a year around income, when rightly handled, instead of trying to pay off the year's living expenses from one crop in the fall.

ROW IS OVER

It will be a long time before Charles G. Dawes, vice-president of the United States and presiding officer of the Senate, is permitted to forget that his absence coinciding with a tie vote in the Senate, permitted the Coolidge choice for attorney general to become a sassa bell in the revival of the old scrap for retention of privileges between the White House and the Senate.

For Coolidge didn't intend to permit even so august a body as the United States Senate to forget that the president of the United States has certain prerogatives. Nor did the Senate intend to let the president of the United States forget that it too had its powers of which it was just exactly as jealous. Coolidge threatened to wait until the Senate adjourned and make his appointment of Warren, which would have stood until Congress meets next December.

And the Senate threatened to retaliate by threatening to stay in session to prevent just such a thing from happening.

But Warren finding the atmosphere one conducive neither to honor, profit or comfort, with folks whacking at each other across him, he decided discretion the better part of valor and took to the tall timber. And the scrap ended nearly as suddenly as it began. Coolidge therefore sent in the name of an old personal friend not likely to be offended because he wasn't chosen in the first place and apparent serenity has again settled down in Washington. Chances are, however that something else will offer itself when either the chief executive or the Senate finds it necessary to make itself ridiculous in the eyes of the nation by standing on its dignity and asserting its jealous rights, regardless of the welfare of the country.

LOSS OF PASSENGERS

The Railway Age in its current issue calls attention to the fact that since 1920 the railways, principally owing to increased use of the automobile, have lost about one-fourth of the total passenger business and that although seldom mentioned as such, it is one of the principal reasons why present freight and passenger rates continue to be necessary.

"If the railways," the Railway Age says, "with the average rate in effect in 1924, which was only 81.2 per cent greater than in 1920, had handled as much passenger business as in 1920, their total revenue from it would have been 317 million dollars larger than they were. This exceeds the total cash dividends paid in any year since 1917. "The use of automobiles seems likely to continue to increase and therefore there is apparently no remedy for this loss of business. The railways must have sufficient revenue to pay their operating expenses and taxes and a reasonable net return. They must con-

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announces their candidacy for election to the various city offices for the ensuing two year terms, subject to the action of voters at the city election to be held April 7, 1925:

- 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 Barwell For City Secretary: W. H. Bartlett (re-election). S. H. Shook. Mrs. Jim Trammell For Chief of Police: W. R. (Buck) Johnson (re-election) L. G. (Gordon) Hendrick. School Trustee. B. C. McCall. A. S. Kendrick S. I. Edwards. E. E. Roy.

tinue to provide passenger service for those who want it even if there is a decrease in travel by railroad. Since the earnings from passenger business have greatly decreased the roads must get higher rates for rendering both freight and passenger service than otherwise would be necessary.

The number of passengers carried in 1924 was 24 per cent less, and passengers carried one mile 23 per cent less, than in 1920. Meantime, the railways rendered practically the same passenger service as before. In 1924 the number of passenger train miles was only about one-half of one per cent less than in 1920 and the number of passenger car miles was actually greater. This resulted in sharp reductions in the average number of passengers per train and per car. The average per train in 1920 was almost 84 and in 1924 only 65. The average per car in 1920 was almost 20 and in 1924 only about 15. It is entirely logical to assume that in the absence of new influences causing an interruption of the growth of passenger business it would have been larger in 1924 than in 1920. Never but once before in the history of American railroads did their passenger business show a decline after the passage of four years, and in that instance the decline was very small.

"It would appear that as hard surface highways have been built all over the country the losses of short distance and long distance business have been about relatively equal. Have the railways been justified, in the face of this loss of business in maintaining so much passenger service? They have lost business to the automobile largely because it can be used at any time, and on most lines if the railways had reduced their service they would have lost still more business to the automobile. Furthermore, of course, on many lines, they have encountered strong opposition from the public and regulating authorities to reductions of service.

"What appears to be most needed now is the more general introduction on lines of thin traffic of means of rendering the service still required which will be less expensive than the local train pulled by a steam locomotive. At present the chances seem better of devising means of handling passenger business more cheaply than of competing successfully with the automobile for it."

CONSISTENCY

Consistency is a jewel of rarest value. The following account of a furniture men's convention stresses the point that the house to house canvasser pays no taxes and is in other respects no asset to the community—here today and gone tomorrow. In the same convention, however, an address on insurance was delivered by the president of an insurance company which also sells insurance direct, and does not have any local agents. While furniture and insurance are used as examples here, the proposition applies with equal force to other commodities, even to printing.

The item follows: William Nelson Taft, editor of the Philadelphia Retail Ledger, in his talk on "Merchandising the Big Problem of 1925" made a strong plea for publicity as a means of increasing furniture sales.

Mr. Taft is touring the country on a campaign directed against the itinerant peddler or the practice of house to house "canvassing" and is pleading the cause of the taxpaying, advertising merchandiser. Unless "canvassing" is effectively combated, he asserted, legitimate merchants of the nation will lose from \$150,000,000 to \$250,000,000 this year as a result of this menace. "It does not matter to the canvassers whether you buy their goods again or not—they are not forced to give satisfaction—they do not have to depend upon your good will—they can go to any state in the union to sell their merchandise," he said. "The retail store is here, right in this town, and if merchandise purchased is not good and you bring it

back the merchant makes good on that for if he does not, he will lose not only your patronage, but that of your family and your friends."

He announced that the "canvassers" had taken \$100,000,000 away from the merchant's last year. James S. Kemper, president of the Retailers' Mutual Insurance Company of Chicago, discussed "Insurance Service."

In other words, Mr. Taft who expresses the sentiments of the furniture dealers, wants the public to buy its furniture from the local "taxpaying, advertising, merchandiser" and unless the itinerant peddler and canvasser of furniture is effectively combated the "legitimate merchants" of the nation "will lose from \$150,000,000 to \$250,000,000 of sales as a result of this "menace."

"It does not matter to the canvassers whether you buy their goods again or not. They are not forced to sell their merchandise". The insurance agent is here, right in this town, and if the policies are not right you bring them back and the agent makes good on that, for if he does not he will lose not only your patronage but that of your family and friends."

Excuse us, we unconsciously wrote insurance agent in place of "local dealer". But seriously just what right has the local dealer to expect protection from the outside competitor, in case the itinerant peddler, when he himself takes his insurance business away from the local insurance agent, who is exactly in his own position? Certainly, insurance men, at least, have a right to buy their furniture from the door to door canvassers and thus help swell that \$250,000,000. Can the retail furniture men justify their position in urging people to buy their furniture at home and insurance a way from home. Mr. Kemper does not sell his insurance through local agents.

German movie men may know more about photography, but America has them beat of pornography.

Still, the energy expended in cussing fool laws might make you rich enough not to worry about laws.

The hick complex is universal. There are loafers watching sign painters everywhere.

Bluebeard was a tough customer, but nobody called him a super-intellectual.

Modernism: Blinding headlights; fifty miles an hour; "unavoidable accident."

The U. D. C.'s will hold a rehearsal Wednesday morning at 9:30 at the Lyric in preparation of their "Fiddlers' Reunion" entertainment at Sylvester Thursday evening, when they will repeat the program given here March 2. Many Sweetwater people are expected to attend.

From its sandy bed at the bottom of the ocean the meek and lowly oyster has risen to become a problem that is engaging the attention of congress, which only a few days ago was asked by the Department of Commerce for an appropriation of \$25,000 to investigate the industry which is said to employ 70,000 men with an output value of \$50,000,000.

SUN SONG

I love you, Desired, with the man-strength of sunlight: Glean, glean, my song, on the heart of the Woman

Like noone on the lily-pool, The blue lake's melody calls through my reed;

O song from Love's shadowless water, Flow in the heart of the Woman—Dring, drink, Desired!

Down the river of start, past the moon cliffs bloom With the birches of dream, I sought for the woman;

At the day's flood-tide I have found you! Why have you hid in the midst of the birches

Like a young wind awaiting the dawn? Noon's fire sparkles the pool; O shine, shine my song, as shimmering air to the lily,

Out from the mists of your waiting I claim you, Desired, With clear eyes, and a love sunstrong—Constance Linsay Skinner in The North American Review.

Brigadier General William Mitchell demoted assistant chief of the Air service is being urged to be a candidate for Senate against Irvine L. Lenroot, Wisconsin. It is said General Mitchell is not adverse to going to Congress, and he may conclude to try for the Senatorship.

More concrete pavement for the use of motor traffic was laid in the United States in 1924 than in any previous year. Estimates by the Portland Cement Association give the total of 6,071 miles of roadway averaging eighteen feet in width. Added to the concrete roadway formerly in use, this provides nearly 32,000 miles of concrete pavement in the cities and states of the Union.

Air joy-riding is a fixed form of sport in England. During nine months of last year more than 52,000 such flights were conducted under the supervision of the Air Ministry. Airplane trips are being arranged between Holland and Java. Spain is constructing its own planes and engines and Russia is doing likewise. Denmark and Poland have just concluded an agreement for air plane connections. Several aero clubs have been organized in Buenos Aires and Montevideo, and a German firm is installing three regular air services in Argentine.

COLLEGE STATION, March 18.—Texas A. & M. has revived the annual Interscholastic Track Meet for high schools and academies and invites all such institutions to send its athletes to College Station April 25. There will be no divisions of A and B classes. All track men will be admitted on the same footing. Special

entertainment will be provided the guests. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded.

ONE IN TEN

Neglecting a little wound, cut or abrasion of the flesh may in nine cases out of ten cause no suffering or inconvenience, but it is the one

case in ten that causes blood poisoning, lockjaw or chronic festering sore. The cheapest, safest and best course is to disinfect the wound with liquid Borozone and apply the Borozone Powder to complete the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by Bowens Drug Store. (adv)

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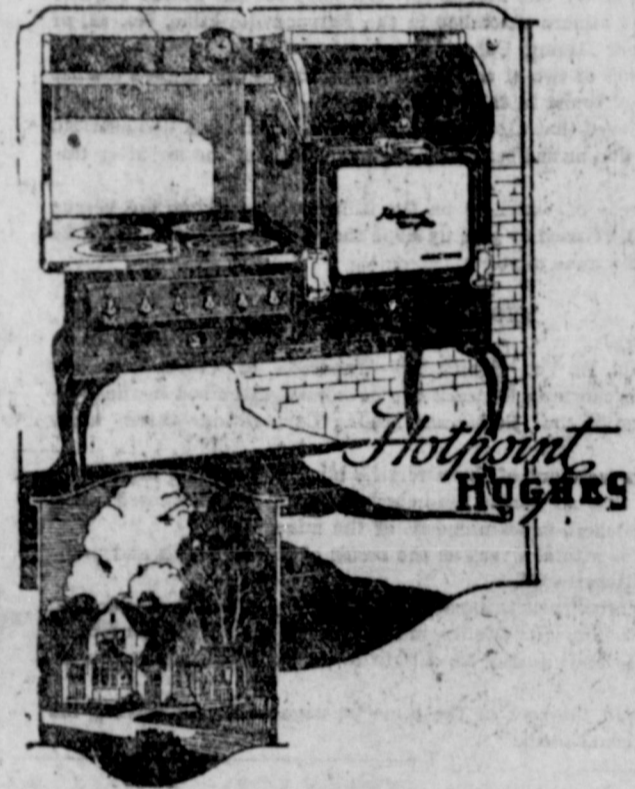
REA'S RED BALL BUS LINE

Table with columns WEST BOUND and EAST BOUND, listing departure and arrival times for various locations like Sweetwater, Roscoe, and Big Spring.

Arrival at Sweetwater 2:25 p. m. from the west gives six connections: Abilene, Rotan, San Angelo, Snyder, Lubbock, the Santa Fe southbound and the Orient northbound. Abilene Stage connects with Northbound Wichita Valley. Rotan Stage connects with eastbound Katy.

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No doubt your wife has found that the old coal stove does not cook so well because of stopped up flues or other trouble. It may be that the oil stove has begun leaking and is worn to where it does no longer give the service it should. Surely you want your wife to have the conveniences that are possessed by her neighbors, and we will see that you can buy and pay for this stove if you want one. The terms are most attractive, no better time to have one installed than this week. Why wait longer?

West Texas Electric Co.



"We, the jury, find for the plaintiff in the sum of \$30,000"

A rapidly driven automobile... a confused pedestrian... Weeks of hospital care... A suit for staggering damages... Then a verdict in keeping with the times.

TODAY the driver of a motor car who figures to an accident has the handicap of public disapproval from the start. Juries that once dealt in hundreds now award verdicts of thousands.

AETNA-IZE

Don't gamble with fate. You owe it to yourself and family to get full protection under an Aetna Combination Automobile policy. AETNA-IZE today against loss from liability for personal injury, fire, theft, collision and property damage.

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Mrs. Dan Shields and son have returned from a visit with relatives at Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. D.T. McDonald and little son returned today to their home at Blackwell following a visit of several days here at the home of his brother, B. L. McDonald.

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CHICHESTER'S PILLS THE DIAMOND BRAND. Each box contains 10 pills. Sold by druggists everywhere.

Eczema Healed up quickly. There is a new-day treatment for eczema, based on decades of skin study.

Dark Hair returns overnight with sage tea. Gray hair is unnecessary. And it often denotes age which one does not deserve.



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Gray hair is unnecessary. And it often denotes age which one does not deserve. Avoid it. Making the hair dark and lustrous—like a girl's—takes off years from one's looks.

WYETH'S Sage and Sulphur Makes Gray Hair Dark

PAINS ALL OVER Lady Says She Took Cardui and Never Saw Such Improvement—Was So Weak Couldn't Stand.

Weatherly, Miss.—Mrs. James M. Hall, of this place, writes that she was "getting weaker all the time" when Cardui, the woman's tonic, was first brought to her attention.

Take CARDUI THE WOMAN'S TONIC

AMUSEMENTS

PALACE

To an Englishman falls the privilege of portraying the screen character of the greatest American of modern times—Theodore Roosevelt.

The Englishman who "plays" Roosevelt in "Sundown" Earl Hudson's epic of the fast fading West comming Thursday at the Palace Theater, is a character who bears a striking resemblance to the late President.

Symbolic of the theme of Sundown is the great President's answer: "You can stretch your cowboys and cattle amile deep from Canada to Mexico but you cannot stop the advance of civilization."

More than 100,000 head of cattle were photographed during the filming of the picture, the scenes of which were taken in Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, California and Mexico.

LYRIC

Towering mountain peaks and brawling rivers form the scenic background for the rapid action of "The Sign of the Cactus" blue streak western starring Jack Hoxie and to be shown at the Lyric theater Wednesday and Thursday.

The situation becomes complicated by the fact that Hoxie falls in love with the daughter of the head of the irrigation company.

The drawing of new ones was postponed until the April meeting. A visiting committee composed of Mrs. A. J. Wimberly, Mrs. Joe Boothe, Mrs. E. P. Reese, Mrs. L. A. Ritter, Mrs. M. B. Howard, and Mrs. N. L. Hall.

Mrs. Ritters' "Weeks", Mrs. J. P. Majors, Mrs. A. H. Fortner, Mrs. Otto Carter, Mrs. H. T. Whitten, Mrs. Myrtle Vaughn, Mrs. Hausley, Mrs. Hoffly, Mrs. Herman Stafford, Mrs. Fred Gotcher, Mrs. John Ross and Mrs. P. H. Hamilton assisted in serving a delightful course of pineapple sherbet and cake at the conclusion of the program.

TO INSTALL NEW SYSTEM Public Library to Be Brought Up To Higher Standard Efficiency.

At a meeting of the Library Board Tuesday afternoon it was unanimously agreed to bring the Public Library up to the standard recognized by all library associations, by installing a card index system.

Mrs. J. A. McCurdy and Mrs. J. M. Shade will assist Mrs. Vinson, the librarian, in classification of the books and putting the system in working order as soon as the supplies are received.

It was decided to discontinue the "Tag Days" as a means of raising library funds, but the Annual Swimming Contests will be given this summer. "Something different" will be planned for the July contest.

Mrs. A. A. Chapman, Mrs. F. J. Neal and Mrs. P. T. Quast were appointed by Mrs. Belcher Library Board president, as a committee on Library improvement.

Golden Rule Circle Met.

The members of the Golden Rule Circle held their weekly meeting Tuesday afternoon at the First Christian Church with 14 present. Dr. McKisick directed an interesting Bible lesson from the 6th chapter of Acts, which was preceded by sentence prayers.

Mrs. W. S. Barcus occupied the chair during the business part of the meeting, during which reports of the visiting committee was heard. The Cook Book, being arranged by the Circle was reported as nearing completion and that the recipes were of superior quality, being the favorites of the housewives of Sweetwater.

"I suffered all the time and had pains all over," says Mrs. Hall. "I was so weak I could not stand. My skin was cold and flabby. I did not have any energy. I had always been a very active woman. I used to outdoor exercise, walking and doing what I pleased, and to not be able to get myself a drink, was indeed a hardship."

"Nothing seemed to help me, till I began on Cardui. The first bottle seemed to strengthen me, and I sent for five more. By the time I had taken the first bottle, my work, gained in health and strength."

"I took two more bottles, and I am well and strong. Can work my garden. I haven't had any more sickness."

Ask your druggist. NO-165

PIE SUPPER

Brooks School to Have Entertainment Friday Night

On Friday night, March 20th, there will be a pie supper at the Brooks school building. It will be a very interesting event. There will be a snappy program before the pies are sold.

An added attraction will be a nold fashioned spelling bee. A prize will be awarded to the best speller. Proceeds will go in payment of the debt on the school building. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Calendar Club Met

The Calendar and Social Club of the Methodist Missionary Societies met Monday afternoon at the beautiful new home of Mrs. S. H. Kelsey on Locust street with Mrs. Ritter and her "weeks" as hostess.

Mrs. L. C. Tatom, Calendar chairman, presided over the meeting and had charge of the program, rendered as follows: Opening song, "Revive Us Again"; Prayer, Rev. J. R. Henson; The Devotional part of the program was led by Mrs. Joe Lisman, from Second Corinthians, 9 chapter, 6 to 8 verses. Her explanatory comments were good and much appreciated.

Vocal Solo, "I'm a Little Old Fashioned, I Know", Mrs. J. S. Schooler. Talk by Dr. Henson on "The Task Ahead", written by Elmer Clark on the Christian Tasks in Home and Foreign Missions, by both laymen and missionaries. The revealing of capsules was next on the program and elicited many surprising revelations.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY

Master J. D. Webster Jr., entertained a number of his little friends Monday afternoon from four to six o'clock in honor of his fifth birthday. Games were played until time to cut the big birthday cake with its five pink candles. Ice cream was also served to Johnny Mae and Billy Fay James, T. C. James, J. C. Edna Erl and Billy Pace, Maxim Kearney, Mary Lyn Mitchell, Clarence Clayton, Dorothy Curry, June Gossitt, Doris and J. D. Webster, J. Miss Juanita Tullas, Bernice Hubbard, Zela Pittman, assisted by Miss Mary Inez and Genevieve.

SINGERS TO MEET

County Singing Society at Cottonwood School Sunday Afternoon.

The County Singing Society will meet at the Cottonwood School south of Sweetwater Sunday afternoon, according to advice from O. D. Peden, Roscoe, secretary.

The society extends a cordial welcome to everyone to attend.

RED BALL LINE SCHEDULE

SWEETWATER—LUBBOCK NORTHBOUND: Leave Wright Hotel 7:30 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. Leave Snyder 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. Leave Post 10:45 a. m. and 6:45 p. m. Arrive Lubbock 12:00 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

SOUTHBOUND: Leave Lubbock 8 a. m. and 3 p. m. Leave Post 9:45 a. m. and 4:45 p. m. Arrive Snyder 12 m. Leave Snyder 1 p. m. and 7 p. m. Arrive Sweetwater 2:30 p. m. and 8:50 p. m.

SHRINERS TO STOP

Hella Temple Members Enroute to Los Angeles Will Visit Here

The Hella Temple Shriners of Dallas will stop over in Sweetwater an hour enroute from Dallas to Los Angeles on May 28, according to information received here from Asher Mintz, recorder of the Hella Temple.

The Shriners will arrive in Sweetwater at 6:40 p. m. on May 28 and remain over until 7:30 to meet with local Shriners.

FASHION HINTS

The One Day Sweater

Its name needs little explanation for that is exactly what it is a sweater that can be made in a day. It is fashioned of light weight wool, hand knitted in a lace stitch on very large needles and is designed for wear over simple little frocks of crepe de chine.

Jumper Frocks the Frock Few models have so quickly caught the popular fancy as the two-piece costume of Balbriggan in the subtle pastel shades or the more vivid sport colors. This consists of a jumper, and skirt having an inverted pleat in front. Although the original model when hand knitted is far more reasonable in price, so simple is the pattern and so plain the stitch, that a costume of this kind is within reach of every woman who is willing to spend a little time in knitting one.

The result is well worth the effort for fashion experts say that this type of frock will be worn all through the spring and well into the summer.

A New Use for Lacy Shawls of Wool Fragile and delicate as they are in appearance there is considerable warmth in hand knitted shawls of the open lace stitch. One clever designer has utilized two hand knitted shawls or scarfs as a lining for a delicate pink negligee of chiffon. The filmy texture permits a faint suggestion of the design of the knitted lining also of the delicate pink tone to show through the chiffon. Narrow bands of marabou which match the tone of the chiffon outline the edge.

The Vogue in Stripes The newest and the smartest hand knitted sweaters are very much similar to those of last season. They are quite as colorful and with certain individual details such as a distinctive neckline, a becoming scarf collar, or a novel arrangement of stripes in candy stick or the graduated Roman style.

Frequently a close fitting hat and a scarf repeat the striped design and form a sport set as smart as it is distinctive. Most of the hand knitted sweater outfits being shown can be reproduced by anyone with even a rudimentary knowledge of knitting for the stitches are the simplest and the designs, if any, not intricate.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their loving help and kindness to us at the death of our beloved son and brother. May God bless each and every one of you.

W. N. Judd and Family.

Mrs. A. L. Hogue has returned from Temple where she has undergone a successful operation. She is resting and convalescing nicely. Her daughter, Miss Lois Hogue, came home from Abilene and spent the week end with her.

OLD RESIDENT DIES

S. A. Ater Passes Away at Roscoe Tuesday—Was 74 Years Old

Special to Reporter. ROSCOE, March 18.—S. A. Ater died here Tuesday afternoon shortly after two o'clock. He was 72 years of age and had been a resident of Roscoe for the past 20 years.

About four months ago, Mr. Ater fell and broke his hip and has been helpless since that time. Death found him at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hastings.

Four other children survive: E. A. Ater and Harris Ater, sons, also reside in Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Ramsey motored to Abilene Tuesday and attended the District meeting of the Methodist church.

TO FIGHT HOPPERS

Farm Bureau Calls Meeting Here For March 21.

From every direction are coming reports of grasshoppers hatching out by the millions, and countless more millions of eggs ready to hatch.

Through the close cooperation of Sweetwater business men and farmers last year in providing large quantities of poison, bran, syrup etc. at a price that made it possible for the farmers to use large quantities, and by putting up a determined fight, the 1924 cotton crop was saved.

This county is facing the same situation this year. Prompt action is necessary and to this end a meeting has been called by H. E. Lewellen, President of the Nolan County Farm Bureau for March 21, 1:30 p. m. The meeting will be held in the court house auditorium, and everyone who is interested is urged to be present.

Pork to Be High.

Special to the Reporter. COLLEGE STATION, Texas, March 18.—The prospect of fourteen or fifteen cent pork this fall is another strong argument for joining the 1925 Ton Litter Contest advised by A. L. Ward extension swine husbandman of A.&M. Over \$1,000.00 in prizes will be offered also as inducement. Litters farrowed between February 15 and May 15 are eligible when ear marked by the county agent within ten days after farrowing.

The Woodman Circle will hold an important meeting Friday evening, when a class of new candidates will be initiated into membership. A large attendance is desired by those in charge of the program.

Miss Amy Daniel, student at North West Texas Teachers College at Canyon, will arrive in the city Thursday morning. She spent a five-days vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Daniel at Ada. She will visit a part of the time with friends in the city.

Signs You Can Believe In

If your breath is bad and you have spells of swimming in the head, poor appetite, constipation and a general no-account feeling, it is a sign your liver is torpid. The one really dependable remedy for all disorders in the liver, stomach and bowels is Herbine. It acts powerfully on the liver, strengthens digestion, purifies the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy, vim and cheerfulness. Price 60. Sold by Bowers Drug Store (adv)

Miller's Stage Line Sweetwater - Abilene LEAVES SWEETWATER LEAVES ABILENE 3:30 o'clock p. m. 7:15 o'clock a. m. (Two Cars) 9:30 o'clock a. m. 6 o'clock p. m. 1:00 o'clock p. m. HIGH POWERED MOTOR CARS—RIDE WITH US

Never Suffer From pains you can stop. Most of the pains you suffer can be stopped at once. These include rheumatic pains, soreness, lameness, backache, and the congestion of chest colds. The way is to rub the sore spot with St. Jacobs Oil. Cause a counter irritation. Or relieve the congestion by bringing the blood to the skin. A moment does this, and comfort follows before the rubbing stops. St. Jacobs Oil has done this for 65 years. It has saved people who have used it. Tell you that these pains are folly. A little rubbing and the pain is soothed. It seems to evaporate. Then Nature has a chance to cure while you rest in comfort. Get this time-tried method, proved by millions. You will never find anything better. It is sure and soothing, and it doesn't burn. Have it ready when the pain begins. Keep it on your shelf. The cost is but 35 cents. And the time is bound to come when it will save someone about you many hours of pain. Ward off the suffering which is so unnecessary.

The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway Company. St. Jacobs Oil Rubs Pains Away Only 35 Cents. The interest of the people and that of the railroad is mutual, and the public should recognize the necessity of that measure of patronage of the railroad that would entitle them to the service that they demand. J. W. Butts, Agent, K. C. M. & O. Ry.

Highest Speed. The new high speed automatic press purchased by the Commercial Printing Department of the Reporter will soon be available for those who desire the highest quality printed matter. SWEETWATER REPORTER Commercial PRINTING

WORKERS BIG OPPORTUNITY

TO GET IN THE LEAD IN THE DAILY AND WEEKLY
Sweetwater Reporter's Big Circulation Drive
\$60. In Cash For Weeks Work

In addition to all the other 30 prizes including Chevrolet Sedan and two Chevrolet Touring Cars
EXTRA! - - - Seventy-Five Prize Ballots - - - EXTRA!

TWENTY-FIVE FOR EACH OF THE THREE DISTRICTS

To the 25 Workers who secure the 25 largest amounts in Paid Subscriptions for the next two weeks, prize ballots will be given according to the schedule below. This offer closes Monday, March 30.

THE PRIZE BALLOTS

DISTRICT ONE

The following is the list of prize ballots for District One to be awarded workers who turn the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 30. Turn in subscriptions as you get them. Accurate count will be kept.

1st Prize Ballot	2,500,000
2nd Prize Ballot	2,400,000
3rd Prize Ballot	2,300,000
4th Prize Ballot	2,200,000
5th Prize Ballot	2,100,000
6th Prize Ballot	2,000,000
7th Prize Ballot	1,900,000
8th Prize Ballot	1,800,000
9th Prize Ballot	1,700,000
10th Prize Ballot	1,600,000
11th Prize Ballot	1,500,000
12th Prize Ballot	1,400,000
13th Prize Ballot	1,300,000
14th Prize Ballot	1,200,000
15th Prize Ballot	1,100,000
16th Prize Ballot	1,000,000
17th Prize Ballot	900,000
18th Prize Ballot	800,000
19th Prize Ballot	700,000
20th Prize Ballot	600,000
21st Prize Ballot	500,000
22nd Prize Ballot	400,000
23rd Prize Ballot	300,000
24th Prize Ballot	200,000
25th Prize Ballot	100,000

DISTRICT TWO

The following is the list of prize ballots for District Two to be awarded workers who turn the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 30. Turn in subscriptions as you get them. Accurate count will be kept.

1st Prize Ballot	2,500,000
2nd Prize Ballot	2,400,000
3rd Prize Ballot	2,300,000
4th Prize Ballot	2,200,000
5th Prize Ballot	2,100,000
6th Prize Ballot	2,000,000
7th Prize Ballot	1,900,000
8th Prize Ballot	1,800,000
9th Prize Ballot	1,700,000
10th Prize Ballot	1,600,000
11th Prize Ballot	1,500,000
12th Prize Ballot	1,400,000
13th Prize Ballot	1,300,000
14th Prize Ballot	1,200,000
15th Prize Ballot	1,100,000
16th Prize Ballot	1,000,000
17th Prize Ballot	900,000
18th Prize Ballot	800,000
19th Prize Ballot	700,000
20th Prize Ballot	600,000
21st Prize Ballot	500,000
22nd Prize Ballot	400,000
23rd Prize Ballot	300,000
24th Prize Ballot	200,000
25th Prize Ballot	100,000

DISTRICT THREE

The following is the list of prize ballots for District Three to be awarded workers who turn the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 30. Turn in subscriptions as you get them. Accurate count will be kept.

1st Prize Ballot	2,500,000
2nd Prize Ballot	2,400,000
3rd Prize Ballot	2,300,000
4th Prize Ballot	2,200,000
5th Prize Ballot	2,100,000
6th Prize Ballot	2,000,000
7th Prize Ballot	1,900,000
8th Prize Ballot	1,800,000
9th Prize Ballot	1,700,000
10th Prize Ballot	1,600,000
11th Prize Ballot	1,500,000
12th Prize Ballot	1,400,000
13th Prize Ballot	1,300,000
14th Prize Ballot	1,200,000
15th Prize Ballot	1,100,000
16th Prize Ballot	1,000,000
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18th Prize Ballot	800,000
19th Prize Ballot	700,000
20th Prize Ballot	600,000
21st Prize Ballot	500,000
22nd Prize Ballot	400,000
23rd Prize Ballot	300,000
24th Prize Ballot	200,000
25th Prize Ballot	100,000

\$60.00 - Cash Prizes To Be Awarded - \$60.00

To the workers who turn in the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 23. Subscriptions should be turned in as fast as received. Subscriptions turned in for cash prize awards will also count in the big prize vote offer as well as giving workers a big boost for the Chevrolet cars and other prizes which are much more valuable. Subscriptions must be for not less than three months daily or six months weekly. Accurate count will be kept of the votes thus secured.

DISTRICT ONE

Cash Prizes will be awarded workers in District One who turn in the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 23, according to the following schedule:

First Prize	\$10.00
Second Prize	5.00
Third Prize	1.00
Fourth Prize	1.00
Fifth Prize	1.00
Sixth Prize	1.00
Seventh Prize	1.00

DISTRICT TWO

Cash Prizes will be awarded workers in District Two who turn in the largest amounts in paid in subscriptions up to Monday, March 23, according to the following schedule:

First Prize	\$10.00
Second Prize	5.00
Third Prize	1.00
Fourth Prize	1.00
Fifth Prize	1.00
Sixth Prize	1.00
Seventh Prize	1.00

DISTRICT THREE

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First Prize	\$10.00
Second Prize	5.00
Third Prize	1.00
Fourth Prize	1.00
Fifth Prize	1.00
Sixth Prize	1.00
Seventh Prize	1.00

Humming Bird PURE SILK HOSE



On Exhibit Here

All the newest, most captivating Spring shades are being shown in our special display of Humming Bird Pure Silk Hosiery this week. You are sure to find a perfect match or a charming contrast for your Easter frock, suit or wrap in these delightfully fine-textured, snug fitting silk hose. This is

NATIONAL HUMMING BIRD WEEK

during which millions of women from coast to coast, will like you, take the opportunity to examine these durable hose closely, from the double lace tops to their smooth all-silk soles.

You can treat yourself to several pairs at our tempting price of **\$4.25 Per Box of 3 Pairs**

Absolutely the only time this year, "Humming Birds" will be sold for less than \$1.50 per pair

Sweetwater Dry Goods Company

BIRTHS DECLINE

England Has Low Birthrate Compared With Previous Years—Clinic Tells Experience.

By United Press.

LONDON, March 18.—Those critics who assert that a public birth control clinic would disseminate among young girls knowledge which would pave the way for immorality, are rebuked by Dr. Marie Stopes in a little book entitled "The First Five Thousand" describing the work of her birth control clinic in a poor district in London. Careful records of every case, says Dr. Stopes, were kept by the trained nurses in charge of the clinic.

These records, she says, show that of the "first five thousand" girls and women who consulted the clinic: 4,946 were married women, 2 were unmarried mothers, 52 were girls about to be married and who had to go abroad immediately or into lodgings where the immediate advent of a baby would be undesirable.

But the above figures include number of childless wives who wished to know how to have children, not how to avoid them. "A number of our cases" says Dr. Stopes, "in fact an increasing number are childless wives who come to us for advice about how to have children. That's what the clinic is for—to teach birth control and by control we mean control. We mean not merely the repression of lives which ought not to start, but the bringing into the

Beautiful and Can Dance



Mlle. Nordau holds the honor of being the best as well as the most beautiful dancer in Europe. Her classic interpretations have made her known throughout the continent.

world of healthy, happy, desired babies."

The slogan of the clinic is: "Joyous and deliberate motherhood."

But simultaneously with the publication of Dr. Stopes' account of her first 5,000 cases comes the annual report of the Registrar-General of Vital Statistics showing that the public's learning birth control faster than any single clinic can teach it.

The Registrar-General says that the number of births in Great Britain is steadily declining.

For the quarter ending in December, the births are: 1924, 170,995; 1923, 178,423; 1922, 176,313.

The birth rate is 17.5 per 1,000 living, is the lowest for any December quarter except the war years 1918 and 1919.

KIDNAPED SON

Alleged Rum Runner on Trial for Kidnaping Son Wealthy Man—Demanded \$12,000.

PHILADELPHIA, March 18.—(United Press)—A tale of the adventurous rum runner, clothed with the magic of Melville and the color of Conrad was revealed in a Federal grand jury indictment returned here, charging Chauncey F. Pyle with attempted extortion of \$12,000 from T. Woodward Trainer, prominent resident of Chester Pa., for the promised return of Trainer's son, Wetherill, 18, who disappeared in Cape May, N. J., last July.

Young Trainer was last seen on the beach and his family thought him drowned. In November last Trainer received a series of letters signed "Rum Runners," in which he was assured his son was alive and well on a rum running vessel and would be returned to his home on payment of \$12,000. Because of their hazardous

occupation, the rum runners stated, they did not dare approach shore and land the youth. The boy enjoyed his experience, the letters stated, but had become homesick and desired to see his parents.

The "captors" were willing to release young Trainer, but they feared he might expose their method of operation to the Federal authorities and the \$12,000 they asked was to recompense them for loss of time and the expense of changing their rum running system.

A system of communication was adopted in which Mr. Trainer gave his replies to the writers by depositing notes in a milk bottle along a trolley track near Chester.

Postal inspectors, police and detectives were posted near the spot and arrested Pyle when he picked up one of the messages.

He denied all knowledge of the extortion plot and said he was paid by a stranger to get the messages. Pyle also has been indicted in the Chester courts for blackmail.

Mrs. Bertie Trammell of Loraine accompanied by her son, Mike Trammell and wife visited and shopped in the city Tuesday.

MUCH ARTILLERY

Fl. Sill, Oklahoma, Range Most Active in United States For Artillery Practice.

LAWTON, Okla., March 18.—More rounds of artillery ammunition are fired on the Fort Sill reservation near here than on any other firing center in the world, according to the estimates of army engineers.

Fort Sill is considered the greatest artillery center of the United States. Approximately 2,376,810 pounds, or 118.4 tons of ammunition, were fired

Have Battle on Hands



Photo shows Emory Rigney and Lu Blue (inset) veteran infidlers of the Detroit Tigers, in training camp at Augusta, Ga. Rigney and Blue are fighting it out with two youngsters, Neun and Tavener, for their old places at short and first, respectively.

on the Fort Sill range during the year of 1923-24, according to figures compiled at the post. The size of the shells used ranged from 37 mm., weighing approximately one pound to 9.2 inch shell of 286 pounds.

The United States War Department makes liberal allowance in munitions for Fort Sill in an effort to make the course in the artillery school as practical as possible.

A great portion of the ammunition used on the range was manufactured during the World War and must be used within a certain time or be worthless.

One of the most dangerous problems on the artillery range is salvaging "duds", or unexploded shells. These constitute a constant danger to men and animals working on the range. Thousands of pounds of unexploded shells are gathered off the range annually. They are gathered rapidly as possible after each firing practice the fuse removed and placed in a "dump" and later exploded.

BLACKLAND TIDINGS

Special to Reporter.

John and Drome Ray and father, W. R. Ray and sister, Mrs. McDonald returned last Wednesday from Midland where they went to attend the funeral of a brother-in-law, Phil Flood.

Mrs. E. Sumrall and daughter, Martha Belle, returned to their home near Hamlin Wednesday night after several days visit with Miss Winnie D. Sumrall.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Holt and daughter spent Thursday night with his sister, Mrs. Ramsey, near Roscoe. Miss Emily Howe who has been attending the Fat Stock Show and visiting relatives at Fort Worth returned Friday morning.

The new concrete walks at the school are completed and add much to the attractiveness of the grounds. Will Keeling and nephew, L. M. Pinkston were business visitors to Sweetwater Saturday.

Mrs. Virginia E. Stanfield spent several hours at her home near Sweetwater Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Autrey and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dawson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dawson were visitors at Goodie Sunday. Miss Pearl Anderson visited in the Mark Dawson home Sunday afternoon. Opal Tatom and Nerine Covington spent Sunday afternoon with Sibyl

another interesting meeting Monday afternoon. One new member, Miss Norma Lane was added to their number.

The Women's Club held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Mark Dawson. Several visitors including Mrs. A. E. Anderson and Mrs. Henry Rayburn were present. After the business session and the lesson, refreshments consisting of lemonade and cake were served to all present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Norma Graves and there will be a lesson in embroidery stitches. Miss Jewell Hibbert spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. Williams.

J. L. Taff is quite ill at the family home on Locust street.

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THE ONLY SWEETHEART WITHOUT A RIVAL!



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The LAST MAN ON EARTH

Show Opens 2:00 P. M.

20c—Admission—10c

R AND R LYRIC

Wednesday and Thursday

JACK HOXIE

"THE SIGN OF THE CACTUS"

He blew up her father's dam to punish him, then swam a seething torrent to save his enemy's daughter. See red-blooded courage and manhood win against over-whelming odds!

Also Comedy

"OUR CONGRESSMAN"

10c—Admission—25c



"Bottle Babies"

10c—Admission—30c

Historic - Vital - Thrilling

"Sundown"

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