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FEDERAL FORCES ENGAGE REBELS IN HARD BATTLE

HEAVY ATTACK PLANNED ON EAST FRONT LEAD BY SEC. OF WAR

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 25.—Obregon forces are engaged in heavy fighting with 2,000 rebel troops at the town of Acambaro, in Guanajuato.

The rebel army is led by General Dieguez, and contains many units detached from the rebel headquarters at Morelia in the state of Michoacan.

While the Obregon troops are engaged with the insurgents at Acambaro, another federal army, led by General Amaro, is attacking Morelia.

After thirty hours fighting, rebel troops have been temporarily repulsed at Salina Cruz, a west coast sea port in the state of Oaxaca.

The rebel gunboat *Progreso* shelled the city and landed marines, but the revolutionists were unable to capture the town.

On the eastern front the federals, under Secretary of War Zerrano, are preparing to attack the Sanchez troops, according to reports received here. Zerrano is said to have 5,000 men in his command.

Many Americans Leaving.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 25.—According to passengers arriving in Juarez from Mexico City Friday, President Obregon and his staff in the president's special train are in the city of Celaya at the head of a large force and have not been molested by rebels.

A few rebels destroyed the rail communication in the vicinity of Irapuato early this week, according to travelers.

A large number of engineers and soldiers were rushed to the scene and in two days had the rail service restored.

The Indian troops from Sonora that passed through El Paso and Juarez Monday were met near the station of Canitas, according to passengers.

Traffic over the branch line from Juarez to Parral has been tied up due to heavy troop movements.

Conditions in Guadalajara are fast becoming intolerable.

"Guadalajara is practically isolated," declared M. J. Patterson, who arrived Friday from that place.

"A strict censorship is kept on everything and all movements of the citizens are watched," Mr. Patterson related.

"The San Francisco hotel which is patronized by Americans is deserted," General Cardenas, who was injured, died two weeks ago of the wounds received in the battle near Colima, it developed.

Train Service Restored.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Jan. 25.—Direct train service has been restored between Monterey and Mexico City.

The service had been interrupted due to the destruction of a small bridge by the rebel forces. Trains are also running from this city to Tampico.

TO INDUCE RETIREMENT OF PEERS FROM POLITICS

TOKIO, Jan. 25.—Following attacks of the Yiyoura ministry because of the number of peers in that body, Prince Tokugawa, one of the foremost figures in the Japanese nobility, has pledged himself to work for the retirement of peers from politics.

Tokugawa declares that he will try to persuade the Kiyoura ministry to resign.

There is an increasing popular outcry here against the influence of peers in politics, ex-Premier Takashira recently announcing his title of viscount and returning to the status of a commoner because he opposed the too rapid growth of the Japanese peerage.

He also is said to be investigating reports that I. W. W. and "Red" literature was freely distributed to persons attending the debate prior to the debate; also that students are attending various "red" meetings held on Bay street and that they have been employed as "underground workers" to spread the doctrine of the radicals.

THE WEATHER
WEST TEXAS—Tonight fair, colder; Saturday fair, not so cold north portion.

MEXICAN SLAIN NEAR EL PASO WHILE COMPANION SLEPT

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 25.—Regino Santos was slain near Fort Hancock, Texas, late Thursday by an unidentified person, who used an axe, according to information brought to El Paso by Customs Officers J. N. Wafer and W. A. Roberts, stationed at Fort Hancock.

Three Mexicans employed on the farm of "Slim" O'Neil, in Culberson county, about a mile and a half from Fort Hancock were camping in a new house being built when the murder was committed.

Early Thursday morning one of the men arose and prepared breakfast and when he went to call Santos, he found that he had been slain with an axe and the other Mexican had fled.

WIFE OF FORMER SECRETARY VISITING SON-IN-LAW

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 25.—Mrs. A. B. Fall, wife of the ex-secretary of the interior, arrived in El Paso Thursday night from New Orleans, C. C. Chase said Friday morning.

Mr. Chase is her son-in-law. He said Mrs. Fall would visit with him until her husband returned from Washington.

CLAIMS LOANED \$25,000 TO FALL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Teapot Dome continued to furnish sensations in congress Friday, with Colonel James W. Zevely, namesake of the famous Sinclair race horse, telling the special committee that he had turned over \$25,000 in Liberty bonds to former Secretary of the Interior Fall, as a loan from Sinclair, and \$10,000 for expenses for a trip to Russia.

The testimony by Sinclair's attorney is to be followed by further testimony Saturday from Archie Roosevelt and G. D. Wahlberg, Sinclair's private secretary, who first hinted that \$25,000 in Liberty bonds had left the oil magnate's vaults.

The oil investigation spread Friday to the house, where the naval committee asked Admiral Gregory to report how the Sinclair and Doherty royalties have been used by the government.

The Teapot Dome investigation overshadowed all other developments. Nevertheless, the house ways and means committee took an important step in deciding to repeal the taxes on soft drinks. The house military affairs committee need to study the Muscle Shoals problem. The senate military committee reported out a bill to admit two Siamese to West Point, and also brought out again the Bureau disabled officers' bill. The house continued its consideration of the interior appropriation bill, on which it has been working several days.

ORDERED TO DISCONTINUE PRICE DISCRIMINATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Orders to discontinue discrimination in prices between chain stores and co-operative buying associations, composed of independent retailers have been issued by the Federal Trade Commission to the National Biscuit company and the Loose-Wiles Biscuit company, the two largest cracker manufacturers in the United States.

PROBE CHARGES "REDS" ACTIVE IN SCHOOL

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Jan. 25.—B. M. Wood, assistant dean of the University of California is said to be probing charges that advocates of repealing the criminal syndicalism act of the state "packed" a debate held at the university last Wednesday night between U. C. and C. S. C. and cast a solid vote for the affirmative of the question "should the criminal syndicalism act of California be repealed."

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ATTORNEY DETERMINED TO LEARN FACTS ABOUT DINES SHOOTING

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 25.—With the secret re-questioning of Edna Purviance, film actress, Friday, District Attorney Asa Keyes began his determined fight to learn concealed facts in the shooting of Courtland S. Dines, wealthy Denver oil man, by Horace Greer, Mabel Normand's chauffeur.

"My sole purpose is to get at the bottom of this affair," Keyes declared, but refused to discuss the questioning except to state that Miss Purviance told substantially the same story as in court.

Keyes called Miss Purviance, who was with Mabel Normand in Dines' apartment when Greer fired the shots, because of glaring discrepancies in the testimony of Miss Normand and because authorities feel the Denver man has concealed important facts.

Miss Normand will be called to the district attorney's office next Monday to give a revised story of what happened New Years night, Keyes said.

"I am not going to sit back and let them get away with it," Keyes declared, referring to the unsatisfactory testimony of the principals.

CLOSELY IN TOUCH WITH INVESTIGATION OF LEASE

PARIS, Jan. 25.—Harry F. Sinclair, although refusing to discuss the disclosures in Washington with regard to the Teapot Dome lease is keeping in close touch with the developments before the senate committee.

This was indicated Friday when it was stated that the oil man although going to the country for a rest was eager to hear all the latest news of the senate committee's investigation.

Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair motored out into the country at noon. Sinclair did not reveal his destination, but said he might remain away from Paris over the week end. He had cleared up his most pressing business, he said, and wanted to rest.

MYSTERY LOAN ENTANGLES ANDERSON

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Where William H. Anderson obtained the \$25,000 which he loaned the anti-Saloon League takes rank as a more intriguing mystery than the recent question as to how Albert B. Fall secured the \$100,000 with which he bought his New Mexico ranch.

Anderson, head of the league in New York and now on trial for alleged forgery, embezzlement and extortion has told two stories about that \$25,000, the second of which he now insists is true.

The money went to one Henry Mann, publicity expert, Anderson said, but the defendant admitted that he had kept the directors in complete ignorance of the existence and peculiar use of both Mann and J. T. King, whom he credited with donating him the money. There was a reason for concealing Mann's name, he said, explaining:

"It was dangerous to have it known you were connected with the anti-Saloon League. The state government was in the hands of the liquor interests, has been since, and still is."

Justice Tompkins ruled that last part out of the records.

Even more surprising, in the opinion of Assistant District Attorney Ferdinand Pecora, was the fact that Anderson appeared to know as little about "Mann" as he did about "King."

Anderson said Mann had been recommended as a good publicity man, and that he supposed he was such. He didn't know Mann's address, hadn't ever seen his office, or seen any evidences of the \$25,000 worth of publicity work, but "Mann" had assured him he was spending the money for publicity and had written him a total of 25 letters, Anderson had thrown these letters away, however.

"I just took a chance," Anderson said when asked whether he had expected to be reimbursed when he sunk the \$25,000 loan into "publicity."

In subsequent cross examination it developed that Anderson had taken one lone director into his confidence about the King income and the Mann outgo. This director, he said, was Dr. Truman H. Baldwin, to whom he told the "whole story."

"He's dead now, isn't he?" asked Pecora.

"Yes," Anderson replied.

THREATENS RETIREMENT FROM PICTURES UNLESS SCANDAL IS STOPPED

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 25.—Lila Lee, screen actress, Friday threatened permanent withdrawal from motion pictures unless "the cloud of suspicion involving me in financial transactions in Chicago is immediately removed by those responsible."

It was reported Charles Appel, Chicago cafe owner, was on his way East to face charges there, but the report lacked confirmation here.

Following publication of rumors from Chicago that a note signed by her for \$40,000 had been uncovered in illegal liquor transactions, Miss Lee said "further publication of such unjust and false statements" would cause her retirement, owing to her inability to carry on professional work when these reports were current. She said she would retire to private life as Mrs. James Kirkwood, wife of the noted director.

SAGE FOUND GUILTY OF SECOND DEGREE MURDER

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 25.—William E. Sage was found guilty of murder in the second degree Friday for the slaying of James A. McNair in the Pennsylvania railroad station here ten years ago.

The jury required 28 hours to reach a verdict.

McNair was killed in the ticket office of the Pennsylvania railroad station here in 1913. After the shooting Sage escaped to Bakersfield, Calif., and began life anew, only to be returned here recently after being betrayed by his estranged wife.

In his trial Sage put up the defense that he shot McNair accidentally. He had intended, he admitted, to kill Ralph P. Pauley, his "boss," because of alleged intimate relations between Pauley and Mrs. Sage, and also because Pauley had kept him from promotion in the company.

Sage's six children are now distributed among various institutions in the West.

ACTION BE TAKEN ON MUSCLE SHOALS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Definite action on the many bids for Muscle Shoals is expected soon. The house military affairs committee will meet in executive session Saturday morning when procedure for public hearing on the bids will be planned.

At this meeting a program will be drawn up which probably will include: The order in which bids will be considered; what bids will be considered; and what witnesses will be heard on each bid.

Meanwhile the bids of the Union Carbide company, of New York, and the Southern power companies, associated with the Alabama Power company, were formally laid before the committee.

The Union Carbide offer proposes to make 100,000 tons of fertilizer annually, the company to pay \$1,650,000 yearly rental for the plant and purchase of the power, while the southern companies' offer proposes to make 50,000 tons of fixed nitrogen a year, to be sold to the farmers at 8 percent profit. Both offers cover a fifty year period.

One of the questions which stirred up considerable interest at the hearing Friday and will be discussed in the executive session Saturday, was that of calling Henry Ford to testify concerning his bid.

Discussion on the question was blocked by objections and Representative Kahn, of California, chairman of the committee, sustained the objection, stating that it might cause considerable embarrassment to discuss the matter in the open.

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JUDGE ATTEMPTS ADJUST FAMILY WAVE LENGTH

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—Golf widows are in clover compared to radio widows, Mrs. R. B. Watson told the court here when she had her husband arrested for beating her while under the influence of statistics.

"It was just like booze," she informed Judge M. J. Kilroy. "It got him in its grip, after a friend once gave him a taste of radio."

"Now he's always trying to tune in on Paris or Havana or some other outlandish place on his own set, and when he can't get them he goes into tantrums of rage."

The judge directed court attaches to find out what is wrong with Watson's set, and attempt to adjust the family wave length.

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SIGNS FIRST BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Coolidge has signed his first bill, a measure to grant a life time mail of the ranking privilege to Mrs. Florence Kling Harding, widow of the late president.

GAS BLAST ROCKS SEARLS MINE IN ILLINOIS TAKING HEAVY TOLL INCLUDING MINE MANAGER OF CO.

Flames Envelop Entrance Making Rescue Work Hard While Thousands Gather About Pit Of Tunnel

JOHNSON CITY, Ill., Jan. 25.—Thirty seven miners have been found dead in the two entries blasted by a gas explosion, Chief of Police John Pyra, declared at midnight Friday after questioning rescuers in the shaft at the Searls mine.

At that hour it was impossible to confirm this figure, as rescue work was progressing amid wild confusion and Pyra was one of the individuals admitted to the pit.

Among the dead he declared, was Mine manager Herbert McCulloch. McCulloch was manager of the under ground work in the east side mine. Jesse Ford, face boss, also was killed.

Pyra's statements were not supported by the only other report sent to the surface by the rescue squads who said they had found nine dead bodies.

Forty volunteer rescue workers, including the world championship squad from Benton and the Herrin crew, went down immediately. They quickly located 23 miners and sent them up. In the smoke and confusion, it was impossible to keep an accurate check of the men believed still below and those rescued.

Many Gathered at Scene.

A large proportion of the 8000 inhabitants of this town devoted to mining the coal of "Bloody Williamson" county gathered about the shaft, head in the bitter cold far into the night.

At the bottom of the shaft a squad of physicians with pulmofors was at work, pumping fresh oxygen into the lungs of the first men found, while the rescuers groped farther into the smoke choked passages.

PROTEST MAIL EMBARGO BY REBELS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Strong protests to the state department have been made by commercial interests in territory occupied by de la Huerta forces in Mexico, asking that the embargo on mail be lifted. J. M. Alvarez del Castillo, rebel agent here, declared that the embargo was working irreparable injury to business interests, including European and American, in the occupied territory.

Meanwhile both sides in the struggle claim to be on the ascendancy. The Mexican embassy announced that federal forces captured the port of Salina Cruz in the same breath that del Castillo announced rebel forces had captured it. Well informed circles here, however, are of the opinion that both sides have an equal opportunity of coming out on top.

Dispatches from Vera Cruz state that the bodies of the four American navy men, including Captain Sparrow, who lost their lives on board the stranded Tacoma, are lying in state in a chapel in that city, awaiting the ship which will bear them back home to their last resting place.

Report Nine Dead

At 10:45 p. m. rescue workers relayed word to the surface that several dead bodies, "perhaps nine," had been found. Six miners have been found seriously injured. None have as yet been brought to the surface.

Police authorities and mine officials directing the work of rescue declare the men under ground have less than an even chance of emerging alive, if they are not already dead from suffocation.

The explosion blew out a number of ventilation bulk heads and flooded the mine tunnels with unbreathable air. Ignition of mine gas is believed to have caused the blast.

Many Escaped Unhurt.

Within a few moments after the heavy detonation, about 400 of the 450 miners who were at work scrambled to the cages and were lifted 335 feet to the surface.

Two rescue squads from Herrin and Benton hurried to the mine and brought out 23 men, of whom three were injured and taken to a Johnson City hospital. They are Barney Sutton, Pat Farmer and Beryl Morgan.

The group of about 30 men was caught in an entry, or work chamber, and isolated by the blast.

Restoring Ventilation.

Rescue squads are building emergency brattice or bulk heads to restore ventilation and working toward the imprisoned men.

Later the fire at the entrance was reported totally extinguished, and the first men to penetrate to the bottom of the shaft sent back word that a dead miner had been found near the entrance to the cage.

No signal has been received from the entombed men to indicate that they survived the first wave of gas through the damaged brattices. Mine authorities, however, believe they may have succeeded in building an emergency barrier promptly enough to isolate themselves in a chamber of fresh air.

CLAIM BRITAIN'S RUSSIAN ATTITUDE NOT INFLUENCE U. S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The reported intention of Great Britain's labor government to recognize Russia will not have any great effect on the attitude of the United States toward the soviet government, an official spokesman of the president has announced.

The findings of the special senate committee, now investigating the alleged propaganda drive of the Third International in this country, will, however, be pertinent in the final action of the United States, it was added.

TEXAS INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

San Antonio—Oil and gas leases are taxable in Texas and the tax must be paid by holder of lease, as a result of final action of Supreme Court of Texas.

Dallas—Six-story warehouse costing \$100,000 to be erected at corner of Collin and Cartor streets.

Breckenridge—Souders & Fisher Company starts construction of \$200,000 gasoline manufacturing plant.

Sweetwater—Construction on \$600,000 county road project to start at once.

Electra—Construction of 5 miles gravel road north of city to start.

Dallas—Dallas Textile Mills to put new Love Field plant into operation between January 15 and 20.

Marshall—Building activities in town business district steadily increasing.

Brownwood—\$80,000 contract awarded for construction of Soldiers and Sailors Memorial auditorium.

Houston—Building permits issued during past week totaled \$86,400.

Ablene—Bank deposits total over \$6,000,000, largest since peak of post war period.

Commerce—Organization of Commerce Pure-Bred Live Stock and Poultry Association completed.

Brownsville—New Sharyland packing plant turns out first carload of citrus fruit.

2,000 acres of land leased in various parts of Van Zandt county for oil and gas development.

Tyler—Price-Booker Manufacturing Company contracts for cucumbers from 400-acre tract, erection of huge salting vat assured.

San Antonio—San Antonio Public Service Company to spend approximately \$1,500,000 for permanent improvements in 1924.

Canyon—Construction of \$25,000 cotton gin practically assured.

Houston—Building activities for year 1923 passed \$19,000,000 mark.

Fairfield—Freestone county votes \$1,000,000 bond issue for road construction.

Tyler—Single contract to be let for construction of high school building and Gary grade school.

Dallas—Lone Star Gas Company lets contract for erection of \$175,000 office building.

White Falls—Kentucky Oil Company brings in 900-bbl oil well on Wilson lands.

Port Arthur—Kansas City Southern Railroad planning construction of \$1,000,000 grain elevator with capacity of 600,000 bushels.

Dallas—\$2,000,000 vehicular viaduct proposed to link east and west sides of Trinity river.

Cameron—Two bond issues totaling \$175,000 voted for construction of grammar school and sewage disposal plant.

Eastland—12,000 bales of cotton with value of \$2,000,000 ginned in Eastland county in 1923, a gain of 20 per cent over 1922.

Texas City—Knox Process Corporation secures 140-acre site for erection of gasoline manufacturing plant.

Lubbock—Contract awarded for \$1,000,000 paving contract.

Dallas—Construction of Melrose Court, \$2,000,000 apartment hotel, to start at once.

Fort Worth—Nearly 2,000,000 head of cattle passed through dipping vats of state during November, according to livestock sanitary commission.

Galveston—Contracts totaling \$620,031 awarded for city school improvement work.

Houston—\$750,000 bond issue voted for county bridge and culvert work.

BIG LOSS OF OIL AT AMARILLO ROUNDHOUSE THURS.

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 25.—Fifty thousand gallons of fuel oil were poured onto the ground here Wednesday night by the breaking of a pipe line which connected a 150,000 gallon storage tank with the Fort Worth & Denver roundhouse. A portion of the spilled oil was recovered with a suction pump.

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THE LID IS ON AT METHODIST UNIVERSITY

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 25.—The lid has been clamped down on the Woman's Building at Southern Methodist University here by Mrs. S. J. Hay, dean of women.

To speed departing swaines promptly at eleven p. m. and awaken drowsy co-eds at seven in the morning Mrs. Hay has had eight additional electric bells installed in the dormitory.

"I have had the bells put there so that they can be heard from every part of the building," she said. "No excuses of I didn't hear the bell will go."

Screens have been screwed in every window of the building too. They are to keep candy and fruit being passed to the girls after the forbidden hour of eleven p. m.

"I'd better not find any of those screens out," Mrs. Hay has warned.

DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME IN VIRGINIA

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 25.—Mrs. Francis Graham, wife of A. A. Graham, head clerk in the Santa Fe ticket office, died suddenly at her old home in Richmond, Va., early yesterday according to a telegram received by her husband yesterday morning.

Mr. Graham and his daughter Marie Esther left yesterday at noon for Richmond.

The Grahams moved to Amarillo several years ago from Topeka, Kansas. Shortly after coming here, Mrs. Graham developed a serious heart malady which necessitated her leaving this altitude about six months ago. Her death however was unexpected.

Burial will be made in Richmond. Mrs. Graham was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church.

STEPPED FROM TRAIN STOPPED ON BRIDGE

HALLETTSVILLE, Texas, Jan. 25.—When his train came to a sudden stop early one morning a few weeks ago, S. O. Johnson, brakeman on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway went to investigate. Swinging from the caboose he stepped off into empty space. The train had stopped with the caboose over the Lavaca river. He fell more than a score of feet.

His injuries were not serious. Kentucky now has a State director of music. The creation of this office by the State superintendent of public instruction is the result of the action of the 1922 legislature, which passed a bill giving music a place in the course of study for all Kentucky schools.

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TOKIO CITY OF WOODEN SHACKS AT PRESENT

By CLARENCE DUBOSE (United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKIO (By Mail to United Press)—Tokio has been rebuilt.

It isn't the "new Tokio" that the politicians promised the people, and the present prospect is unfavorable to a realization, ever, of that promise.

For the politicians are simply talking and squabbling, leaving the government impotent—with plenty of plans for reconstruction, but nothing agreed upon; and with no money for the job.

Meanwhile the people have just simply gone ahead and built their "new Tokio" themselves. It is here. It's a city of raw, wooden shacks with tin roofs, to be sure. It sprawls in mud, and it is without anything remotely approaching adequate transportation facilities.

But it has been done within a few months by individual effort—while the politicians have talked, and are still talking about what the government is going to do.

The probabilities are that the "new Tokio" that exists today, the city of tin-roofed shacks surrounding the few undestroyed big office buildings will be the only "new Tokio" for a long time to come, for the simple reason that the political squabbles ever plans, details and budgets for reconstruction bid fair to continue indefinitely. And almost every day the tentative estimates of the government's expenditure for reconstruction are trimmed more and more.

The entire reconstruction muddle has become the most bitter question in Japanese politics. The people of Tokio and Yokohama grumble fierce complaints that the government has done nothing. The taxpayers of the provinces, already overburdened, say Tokio and Yokohama want too much.

The cabinet points out that the Diet has passed no appropriations for reconstruction, that the Diet threatens to abolish the entire Tokio reconstruction board and to reduce still more sharply the already greatly reduced proposed reconstruction budget. The Diet replies that the cabinet and reconstruction board talk too much and do too little; that they want more money than is necessary. The Seiyukai, or majority political party, which controls the house of representatives, seems determined to whittle the reconstruction ruthlessly, and to repudiate the reconstruction board. The Seiyukai does this primarily, in order to appeal to rural votes and voters in other cities who think Tokio and Yokohama want too much.

Editor Hibbon, of the Pecos Enterprise, was a visitor at the Aralanche office while in Lubbock Friday. He brings good news of the prosperity of the people of his section of the state.

Avalanche Want Ads Get Results.

CONE'S REPAIR SHOP IS IN NEW QUARTERS

Cone's auto and furniture works have been moved into the Russell building at 1011 Main street where the management is now prepared, as heretofore, to carry on an up-to-date repair and manufacturing business.

Auto top repairing and rebuilding is a specialty with this company and in the new quarters special arrangements have been made for the proper handling of all of this grade of work.

PLANS ORDERED FOR CHURCH AT BROWNFIELD

Peters & Haynes, local architects, have received orders to prepare plans for a Presbyterian church building to be erected by the congregation at Brownfield.

The building will be modern through-out, according to the proposed plan, and every facility will be added that in any way will add convenience in conducting activities of the church and its auxiliaries.

SOCIETY NOTES

Bon Tempts Bridge Club Meets.

The host, the hostess, the home, the jolly couples, the good time and pluperfect evening—that's what it was when Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cone delightfully entertained the Bon Tempts Bridge club at their home, 1920 Broadway, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. High scores were won by Mrs. Clayton Gammill and Edgar Lewis. A dainty and delicious salad was served by the hostess to the following members: Misses Irma Pryor and Beulah Chipley; Mesdames Waldrip, Moore, Bedford, Swindell, Gammill; Messrs. Edgar Lewis, Wallace Herd, Waldrip, Swindell, Earl Moore, Ralph Bedford and Clayton Gammill.

Slumber Party Enjoyed

Miss Elizabeth Roberts entertained sixteen of her girl friends Friday night with a slumber party, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roberts, on Thirteenth street. A six o'clock dinner was served, after which the girls attended a movie and upon returning to Miss Roberts home refreshments awaited them. Games and dancing were enjoyed until a late hour. After breakfast at eight o'clock Friday morning the girls departed having enjoyed this unusual occasion.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Marriage license have just been issued from the office of County Clerk Herbert Stubbs' to the following:

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Elmer Mooney and Miss Lela Ruth Sanders.

Price Neel and Miss Vera Clements.

J. T. Martindale and Miss Marie Smith.



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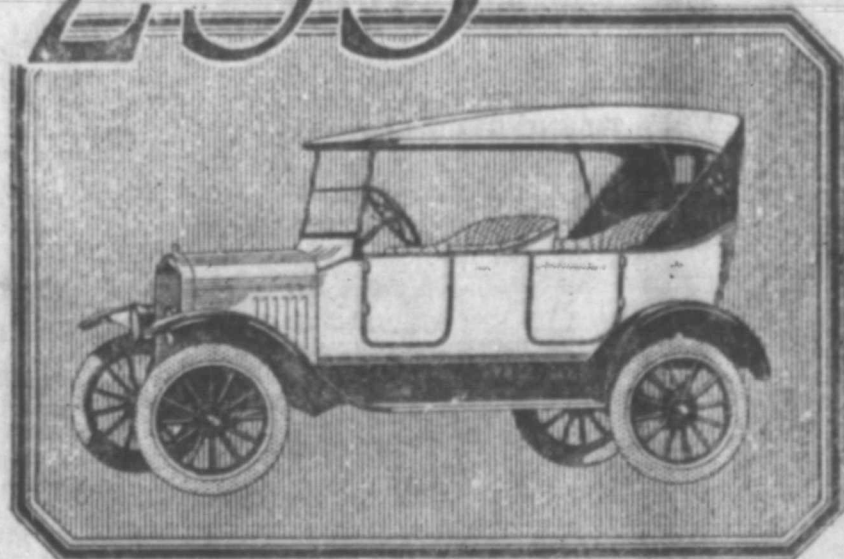
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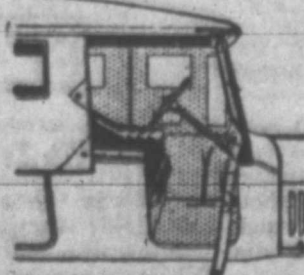


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SUPT. DUPRE MAKES SURVEY OF ALL SCHOOLS OF LUBBOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; 2535 ENROLLED

A complete survey of the enrollment of all of the schools of Lubbock was made during the past week by Superintendent M. M. Dupre, and the very encouraging figures show that there are a total of 2535 scholars in Lubbock at this time attending school.

The following figures were compiled by the superintendent in making the survey:

High School
Eighth Grade—Div. A Marr, teacher, 60 enrolled; Div. B, Lowery, teacher, 32 enrolled; Div. C, Hunter, teacher, 31 enrolled; Div. E, L. Hunter, teacher, 2 enrolled. Total enrolled, 125.

Ninth Grade—Div. A, Howard, teacher, 60 enrolled; Div. B, Witt, teacher, 60 enrolled; Div. C, Boone, teacher, 8 enrolled. Total enrolled 128.

Tenth Grade—Div. A, Slagle, teacher, 55 enrolled; Div. B, Armstrong, teacher, 32 enrolled; Div. C, Rose, teacher, 31 enrolled. Total enrolled, 118.

Eleventh Grade—Div. A, Reid, teacher, 49 enrolled; Div. B, Atkinson, teacher, 45 enrolled. Total enrolled, 94.

Grand total for high school 528.

Junior High School
Sixth Grade—Div. A, Wright, teacher, 55 enrolled; Div. B, Slagle, teacher, 46 enrolled; Div. C, Cowan, teacher, 50 enrolled; Div. D, Goch, teacher, 51 enrolled; Div. E, Cowart, teacher, 41 enrolled. Total enrolled, 243.

Seventh Grade—Div. A, Thompson, teacher, 38 enrolled; Div. B, Matthews, teacher, 55 enrolled; Div. C, Bowen, teacher, 47 enrolled; Div. D, Sowder, teacher, 59 enrolled; Div. E, Rushing, teacher, 37 enrolled. Total enrolled 236.

Grand total for junior high school, 479.

George M. Hunt School
First Grade—Div. A, Mrs. E. R. Haynes, teacher, 60 enrolled; Div. B, Mrs. J. K. Wester, teacher, 45 enrolled; Div. C, Mrs. C. McDaniel, teacher, 59 enrolled. Total enrolled, 164.

Second Grade—Div. A, Denman, teacher, 48 enrolled; Div. B, Koen, teacher, 55 enrolled; Div. C, Morton, teacher, 47 enrolled. Total enrolled, 150.

Third Grade—Div. A, Sanders, teacher, 53 enrolled; Div. B, Maxey, teacher, 55 enrolled; Div. C, Johnson, teacher, 56 enrolled. Total enrolled, 164.

Fourth Grade—Div. A, Holt, teacher, 58 enrolled; Div. B, Nugent, teacher, 55 enrolled. Total enrolled, 113.

Fifth Grade—Div. A, Cowart, teacher, 49 enrolled; Div. B, Willford, teacher, 41 enrolled; Div. C, Hearrell, teacher, 54 enrolled. Total enrolled, 144.

Grand total for Geo. M. Hunt school, 735.

K. Carter School
First Grade—Div. A, Dupre, teacher, 41 enrolled; Div. B, Meador, teacher, 50 enrolled; Div. C, Richmond, teacher, 49 enrolled. Total enrolled, 140.

Second Grade—Div. A, Ballenger, teacher, 49 enrolled; Div. B, Starnes, teacher, 35 enrolled; Div. C, Dixon, teacher, 36 enrolled. Total enrolled, 120.

Third Grade—Div. A, Starnes, teacher, 17 enrolled; Div. B, Waddell,

teacher, 49 enrolled; Div. C, 66 enrolled. Total enrolled, 132.

Fourth Grade—Div. A, Bryan, teacher, 48 enrolled; Div. B, Warren, teacher, 45 enrolled; High Fourth, Div. C, White, teacher, 68 enrolled. Total enrolled, 161.

Fifth Grade—Div. A, Baker, teacher, 28 enrolled; Div. B, Thurman, teacher, 42 enrolled. Total enrolled, 71.

Grand total for K. Carter school, 540.

Ward Schools
Northwest Ward, 60 enrolled; Southwest Ward, 17 enrolled; East Ward, 23 enrolled. Total enrolled, 146.

Mexican school, 31 enrolled; Negro school, 76 enrolled. Total enrolled 107.

Grand total for all schools, 2535.

CROSBYTON ON THE BOOM SAYS PROMINENT JUDGE.

Judge A. W. Gibson, of Crosbyton, was here the first of the week on business.

Mr. Gibson stated that the sixty thousand dollar bond issue which had been voted upon by the voters of Crosbyton in November for paying eleven blocks of the city water plant from C. B. Livestock Company had been approved by the attorney general, and that the city would take over the water system on the 1st of February and the paving work is to begin about March 1st.

Mr. Gibson is a real booster for Crosbyton. He declares they have the best weekly newspaper in the state, that the churches and schools are well attended and adequately provided for, and that business is especially good at Crosbyton.

SENIORS AT RICE ARE CONSPICUOUSLY UNIFORMED

By United News
HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—There's no mistaking seniors of Rice Institute these days. With the beginning of the seniors have come into their own and are setting the style for the rest of the school.

Shortly after the first classes of the new term had been held members of the June graduating class appeared in black derbies and canes. Some even aspired to mustaches.

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BROWNFIELD BAPTISTS BUILDING CHURCH BASEMENT

Plans for the Brownfield Baptist church have been completed by Peters & Haynes, local architects, and it has been announced that the basement for the building will be built at this time and used until the remainder of the building can be completed.

The main contract for the construction of this church has not been let as yet, but work on the basement will be started independently by the church building committee, and the main contract will be let about February 1st, when the main building will be started and rushed to completion.

Churches and schools are among the fast developing institutions of the plains country, at least one would gain this opinion from a survey of the buildings that are under construction at this time.

GAINES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT WAR ON RABBITS

SEMINOLE, Texas, Jan. 25.—The Seminole Chamber of Commerce has undertaken to help the farmers and others interested in the destruction of rabbits in Gaines county.

The co-operation of all in this work will in the end accomplish much good to the farmers in growing crops in the future.

The Chamber of Commerce has been in correspondence with the State Department of Agriculture in regard to the best methods of disposing of rabbits, and as a result the Department has consented to send a competent man here to advise Gaines county citizens on the subject. The date of his coming will be published as soon as available.

It has been suggested that a date be set for all farmers to meet and have this man organize, give instructions as to the most practical way, and for all to set a day and begin working to the end that our county will not be hampered in a great way from these pests.

Everyone should lend whatever aid possible in this work, and if an honest, intelligent effort is put forth there is no telling how much real good good can be accomplished.

Dr. Ferguson, Dentist, Conley Bldg., knows how to cure Pyorrhea. 29730p

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10,000 acres choice Bailey county land; very liberal terms. A. X. Erickson, 305 Foster Building, Denver Colorado, at Merrill Hotel, Lubbock, first week in February.

ACUFF

Bro. Sanders was called to Post Sunday and could not be with us. However, he will be with us Sunday and every one come out and be with us and see what a message he will bring.

We are proud to report Ashley Davis as improving. He has been sick a week.

Floyd Carroll spent Sunday night with Davis Pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis and family were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Pounds Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. U. P. Pace of Grandfield, Oklahoma, are moving into the Acuff community. They are O. D. Pace's parents.

Several of the men hauled their

Sudan to Idalou Monday and loaded it in a car.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Bloyd will soon have a new house to move in. They are working on it every day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Evitt attended singing at Idalou Sunday afternoon.

G. C. Davis and Mr. Brashears attended singing Sunday afternoon at Idalou.

Everett Griffin visited Aubrey and E. C. Pounds Sunday.

Mr. Yarbrough moved the house he bought from Mrs. D. H. Foreman, Saturday.

Mr. D. H. Dunlap and children have had the measles this week.

The Acuff basketball boys went to Woodrow Friday afternoon and played and were victorious. Bledsoe will be their next game. Here's hoping they're successful in that game.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Evitt called on

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Eloyd Sunday afternoon.

E. O. and L. S. Evitt helped shingle Urney Evitt's house Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Key and sons moved to their home they purchased of C. W. Evitt.

R. G. Russ Jr., spent the week-end with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Carroll spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Russ.

Mrs. Fulton and Miss Yarbrough called on Mrs. D. Pounds Monday afternoon.

Mrs. D. Pounds called on Mrs. L. S. Evitt Tuesday afternoon.

A. W. Root, architect of Sayer, Oklahoma, has established an office in Lubbock and expects to build up a big business in his line here. Mr. Root comes to Lubbock highly recommended, and prospects are bright for his business in the South Plains territory.

Look Me Square in Ze Eye!

The BAD MAN

WITH Holbrook Blinn

He's the Robin Hood of the deserts—"ver' bad hombre"—but not so bad when he presents his friend with a wife and a diamond-studded future, all at the expense of a husband who wouldn't stay dead.

Broadway went crazy over "The Bad Man." For months and months the big show ran at \$5 a seat. The picture version, with the original star, has twice the humor and dramatic thrill! It's yours at picture prices!

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Have you compared after-the-war prices of what you buy and sell with those of a pre-war normal year—say, 1922 with 1915?

Santa Fe System Lines have made such a comparison, and you will be interested in the result:

The Santa Fe System sells transportation only, but buys steel, fuel, lumber and all kinds of building and construction material; and is a very large user of labor.

The Santa Fe System received in 1922, \$1.45 for hauling the same amount of freight the same distance that it received \$1.00 for in 1915, and \$1.60 for hauling a passenger the same distance it received \$1.00 for in 1915. Or, combining freight and passenger, it received \$1.50 for the same service it received \$1.00 for in 1915, the increase being 50 per cent.

The Santa Fe System paid \$2.11 for the same quantity of fuel that \$1.00 paid for in 1915; \$1.77 for the same quantity of materials and supplies, other than fuel, that \$1.00 paid for in 1915; \$2.22 for the same number of hours of labor worked in 1922 as \$1.00 paid for in 1915. Aggregating all operating expenses, it paid in 1922, \$2.05 for the same number of hours worked and same quantity of materials and supplies as it paid \$1.00 for in 1915. It paid \$2.90 in taxes in 1922 for every \$1.00 paid in 1915.

Santa Fe System employees received an average annual compensation in 1922 of \$1.81 for every \$1.00 received in 1915, and the cost of living of such employees was \$1.62 1/2 in 1922 for every \$1.00 in 1915.

Freight rates and passenger fares cannot be reduced until taxes and the cost of operation are reduced.

Cost of operation cannot be substantially reduced until the price of labor and material is reduced. And the price of labor and material cannot be reduced until the cost of living is reduced.

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OUR BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT

Lubbock should have a place for the boy scout work to be carried on, and since the Rotary Club has shown a marked interest in the boys work in this city, and the Kiwanis Club has likewise a Committee that looks after the interest of the boys of the community, we are of the opinion that these two clubs should procure and maintain jointly headquarters for these organizations, and specially equip them for the accommodation of the Boy Scouts and such other boys work as is found necessary in Lubbock, and Lubbock county.

If this combination could be made it would be advisable for the present or for the next twelve months. After that time no doubt each club will want to maintain a place each for their various organizations. These clubs can do a wonderful work if they will secure and maintain a hall for the boys, and for their luncheons! It will not only be appreciated by the boys of the town, but it will increase the interest in the club work. Under the present arrangements the putting on of a program is almost impossible, and never since the clubs were organized two years ago have they had an entirely satisfactory arrangements for their weekly luncheons.

We understand that arrangements are underway between the clubs to secure a suitable place and we hope that the committees that have the matter in charge will be able to secure the proper place and that they will keep in mind the necessity of having a place specially arranged for the entertainment of the boys clubs of the country, and also for the use of the clubs in their luncheons and programs.

Lubbock is big enough to do this, and the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club members are representative citizens of the community, and should be interested in putting an arrangement of this kind over in good shape.

We must arrange to furnish the boys of the community a place to be entertained or they will make their own selection and their judgment may be questioned. The form of amusement may also not be of the kind that is calculated to elevate the mind or develop the physical being.

LUBBOCK PEOPLE MUST WATCH DEVELOPMENT

Lubbock builders must keep a close watch on the development of railroads and other big enterprises that are needed here to make the Hub of the Plains more substantial in every way. We are of the opinion that within the next twelve months there will be some wonderful development of the matter of rail extensions and they will extend to the plains country. Just where no one knows, not even the promoter themselves. They will decide the matter however in a very few months we are sure. Many reports have been put out concerning the extension of roads and various places have been named as the points that they will touch, and some of them to Lubbock, but we are of the opinion that Lubbock commercial organizations should certainly be on the look out for these propositions. Lubbock for many years wrestled with the proposition of railroads, and finally got the best railroad system in America to build into this place and this road certainly is putting forth great effort in the settlement of the South Plains, but we need some shorter connections to the east and we need some more extensions to the west and Southwest and whether the Santa Fe builds them or not these railroads must be to properly develop this section.

That railroads west should have the hearty co-operation of the people of the city of Lubbock as well as the ranch interests west, as this is the only way they will have of making money out of their investments at now. The ranching business is a thing of history, and the matter of developing the land agriculturally is the only thing left to do and the building of more railroads through this country will aid very materially in this.

Between Governor Pinchot, of Pennsylvania and Senator Couzens, of Michigan, Secretary Mellon has to watch his step. The governor charges that the Tretury Department is responsible for 62 breweries in Pennsylvania running full tilt under Federal license; Senator Couzens charges that the Mellon plan to reduce surtaxes is a scheme to help the rich and will not prevent investments in tax-exempt securities. For the second time he challenges the Secretary to a public debate of the question, and then asks Mr. Mellon how much the proposed surtax reduction will benefit him. Discussions of this question between men who ought to know every angle, would be interesting and instructive to the average business man.

The new Labor Premier of England will be compelled to create a couple of peers. The constitution requires that the Secretary of State and the Foreign office shall have a seat in the House of Lords—and no man amya dress the upper chamber unless he be a member of that class. But a Peer, created by Labor, will be a democratic curiosity.

YOUNG CRIMINALS.

Mr. W. H. Remy, prosecuting attorney of Marion County, Ind., submitted records to the Indiana Sunday School Council of Religion Education, showing that most of the major crimes in this country has dropped from six to eight years. The survey of this association conclusively proves that the "crime wave" cannot be laid at the door of the returned doughboy, because nearly all the criminals were not old enough to enter the service. These figures verify statements made by chiefs of police in various eastern cities, that a majority of arrests and of criminals are children in their teens. A careful investigation of many of these cases reveals a woeful lack of proper supervision in the home, imperfect and inadequate instruction in the schools, and an average of 12 hours of religious instruction per year, compared to 200 hours for Catholic children and 335 hours for Jewish children. It is the consensus of opinion that the picture shows, the automobile, and the increased patronage of public dances have all contributed increased opportunities and temptations to a mass of young people not adequately trained or prepared. The situation has assumed very serious proportions, and the remedy seems to rest with parents, many of whom resent interference by teachers or by well-intentioned policemen or officials. The average person believes that he is giving his family all the attention that is needed, and the training of his children is entirely sufficient, even in the face of the well known facts that many of the young people of the community are engaging many questionable things. Many children get little training at home, and they get very little religious training. An hour in Sunday School once a week and there is as much religious training as they get. They are allowed to spend much of the night running about over the town or community, and there is no wonder that the records of the country reveal such a condition as is given out by the Indiana attorney.

LUBBOCK'S NEWEST SCHOOL BUILDING

Lubbock's newest School building will soon be completed. The K. Carter building on Ave Q is a handsome building, and it will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks. This will furnish a relief to the school situation in this city, though the relief will only be temporary, and within another year there will be an urgent need for another building.

This building is splendidly located, but there is not a sidewalk within several blocks of the building, and in rainy weather it will be almost impossible for the children to get there.

There should be a great forward movement started toward building sidewalks to the K. Carter school building. Ten miles of new sidewalks would not be too much.

Senator Copeland addressed an audience of bankers in New York on the tax and bonus question, and when he asserted that the Garner bill offered the greatest relief he was greeted with howls, hisses and boo-hoos, quite similar to that accorded a "ham" actor in an old-time Bowery free-and-easy. Senator Copeland excused the outbreak on the theory that they suffered from acute Mellonian hysteria.

The anthracite coal business is a hard life. The miner has to fight every inch of the way to get a decent wage, the consumer risks his chances for heaven, the producer is not content with 100 per cent, and the dealer laughs himself to death.

In 1916 an army surgeon that permitted measles to prevail in his regiment had to face charges. Ten years for now he will be shot at sunrise—and the same will be true of small pox, whether vaccinated or not.

British merchants have a representative in this country for the purpose of inaugurating a great advertising campaign for Indian tea. Over a million dollars is to be expended in advertising, and incidentally revive the trade mark, "Made in England".

The latest universe of stars to be discovered and measured is so many miles away that light traveling 186,000 miles a second takes a paltry million of years to reach the earth. Yet it is possible to "broadcast" the human mind there and back again in less than a second.

The 2500 Apache Indians on the Arizona reservation are building modern homes and propose to desert their wigwams. The children are attending school regularly and another generation will record the passing of this ancient tribe of original Americans.

Navajo Indians sold \$337,475 worth of products last year, of which \$150,000 was for their famous blankets. A large part of the balance for fleeces and meats.

Little Avalanches

Ten miles of Sidewalks should be built in Lubbock before the first of June.

If you have a 1924 citizenship your license plate costs \$1.75.

Mr. Bok failed to give the committee his blood pressure along with his Peace Plan.

Mr. Mellon would be perfectly satisfied with a bonus plebiscite on March 15.

Oklahoma has known political embarrassments in her time, but she doesn't have to answer for more than Texas.

Diversified farming has made Lubbock the hub of the Plains. It will build a city here and many towns around here.

MARKETS

RESERVE BANKS DRAW MUCH ATTENTION

BY WILL JOHNSON
NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—The corner of Broad and Wall streets was virtually buried in good reports on the health of the American financial community Friday. It was difficult to assimilate the imporing items and attend to regular business. Toward mid-afternoon some time was taken by traders to mark the broad outlines of the deluge, with the result that marked buoyancy characterized the stock market at the close.

Aside from the disclosures in the naval reserve oil lands hearing in Washington, there was scarcely a speck on the horizon to mar confidence.

An outstanding feature was a wire from Jesse L. Livermore, at Miami, expressing marked bullishness with regard to the market outlook for high priced industrials over the next six months. Some of the high priced industrials went up as the result.

However, attention was directed to the report of the Federal Reserve banks. The general weekly statement set forth the strongest banking position of the United States on record. Gold continues to pour in.

For instance, it was noted that for every dollar of loans held by the New York Federal Reserve bank it has more than \$3 in cash, practically all of which is gold. The statement shows \$622,657,000 of gold held as security against \$389,419,000 of notes in circulation. This is approximately \$1.60 in gold for every dollar of paper.

This is an unprecedented situation and the question arises as to what Uncle Sam is going to do with his excess cash. It is to be noted that the law requires regional banks to carry only 40 cents gold reserve against a dollar of paper.

The combined federal reserve ratio stood at 80.4 percent, compared with 80.1 percent a week ago and 76.5 percent a year ago. The present ratio for the whole group of federal banks is at the highest point since the war, duplicating the ratio of August 3, 1922.

Cash reserve of the Federal Reserve system at \$3,271,585,000 is a new high record. Attention was called to the fact that it exceeds legal requirements by \$1,745,000,000—another high point to date.

New Orleans Cotton.						
	Jan.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.	
Open	33.62	33.65	33.37	33.48	27.50	
High	33.67	33.80	33.50	32.67	27.62	
Low	33.40	33.05	32.76	31.90	27.23	
Close	33.47	33.24	32.95	32.06	27.34	
Ycls	33.75	33.65	33.29	32.47	27.74	
Tone steady.						

New York Cotton.						
	Jan.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.	
Open	33.39	33.49	33.64	32.52	28.07	
High	33.40	33.67	33.90	32.74	28.23	
Low	33.60	32.96	33.26	32.08	27.75	
Close	33.25	33.16	33.43	32.32	28.03	
Ycls	33.30	33.55	33.77	32.60	28.06	
Tone quiet.						

Liverpool Cotton.						
	Jan.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.	
Open	19.60	19.54	19.51	19.15	16.63	
High	19.67	19.72	19.70	19.20	16.64	
Low	19.53	19.58	19.54	19.15	16.54	
Close	19.54	19.62	19.57	19.05	16.56	
Ycls	19.70	19.75	19.75	19.29	16.75	
Tone steady.						

LOCAL MARKET	
Retail Quotations.	
Eggs, per doz.	45c to 55c
Butter, country.	50c to 65c
Butter, creamery.	50c to 75c
Cream, per lb.	48c
Wholesale Quotations.	
Larje hens, per lb.	15c
Small hens, per lb.	12c
Cream, per lb.	45c
Cocks, per lb.	05
Springers, per lb.	12c to 15c
Old Roosters, per lb.	4c
Turkeys, per lb.	12c
Eggs, per case	\$12.00
Hides, green, per lb.	08
Hides, dry, per lb.	05

Receipts 1500, market steady, fat cows 10c higher; calves 80c; market steady. Cattle: Beeves \$3.50 to \$8.00; stokers \$3.00 to \$6.50; cows \$3.00 to \$5.00; canners \$1.75 to \$2.00; heifers \$3.00 to \$7.00; bulls \$2.50 to \$5.00; calves \$2.50 to \$7.25; yearlings \$3.50 to \$8.00.

Hogs: Receipts 1000, market steady at 5c higher; hogs light \$6.75 to \$7.00; medium \$7.25 to \$7.35; common \$5.00 to \$6.00; pigs \$3.50 to \$5.00.

Sheep: Receipts 200, market steady \$12.00 to \$13.00; yearlings \$8.50 to \$11.00; wethers \$7.00 to \$9.00; ewes \$6.00 to \$7.00; rams \$1.50 to \$2.50; goats \$1.50 to \$3.50; stock sheep \$4.00 to \$5.50; feeder lambs \$8.50 to \$11.00.

Chicago Livestock.—Cattle: Receipts 5000, market beef steers and fat she sto-k fairly active, strong. spots 10c to 15c up; most fed steers \$7.50 to \$9.00; f-w \$9.50; choice kinds absent; bolones 4 1/2 to \$4.65 to \$5.00; veal calves \$11.50 to \$13.00 to packers, outsiders paying up to \$13.00 and above; stockers and feeders slow.

Sheep: Receipts 11,000; market active, fat lambs strong, 15c up; sheep, strong, feeding lambs steady; bulk fat wooled lambs early \$13.50 to \$13.75; some held higher; choice

handweight wethers \$9.50; odd lots fat ewes \$7.00 to \$7.75; good and choice feeding lambs \$12.00 to \$13.15. Hogs: Receipts 56,000; market steady strong at yesterday's average; top \$7.30; bulk of sales \$7.00 to \$7.25; heavyweight \$7.15 to \$7.30; medium weight \$7.10 to \$7.30; lightweight \$6.80 to \$7.20; light hogs \$6.00 to \$7.10; packing hogs smooth \$6.65 to \$6.80; packing hogs rough \$6.40 to \$6.65; slaughter pigs \$4.50 to \$6.25. Steers (1100 lbs. up): choice and prime \$10.35 to \$12.50; good \$9.40 to \$10.60; medium \$7.75 to \$9.65. Steers (1100 lbs. down): choice and prime \$10.60 to \$12.50; good \$9.65 to \$10.60; medium \$7.85 to \$9.65; common \$5.25 to \$7.75.

Heifers: Good and choice \$7.00 to \$10.75; common and medium \$4.50 to \$7.00. Cows: Good and choice \$5.35 to \$7.00; common and medium \$3.40 to \$5.35; canner and cutter \$2.50 to \$3.40. Calves: Cull to choice \$6.00 to \$12.75; medium to choice \$5.00 to \$9.25. Feeder and Stock Cattle: Steers, common to choice \$4.50 to \$8.00.

Slaughter sheep and lambs: Lambs, medium to prime \$12.00 to \$14.00; cull to common \$9.50 to \$12.00; ewes, common to choice \$5.00 to \$8.35; canner and cull \$1.75 to \$5.00; medium choice \$11.25 to \$13.25.

Kansas City Livestock. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—Cattle: Receipts 1500, calves 300; killing prices around steady; few sales of short fed steers \$8.00 to \$8.75; bulls and calves steady; stockers and feeders dull.

Hogs: Receipts 7000; little doing; at a few 240 pound butchers to shippers at \$7.05 or steady; \$7.00 b'd by packers on choice. Sheep: Receipts 1000; direct to packers, no sheep or wool lambs offered; clipped lambs around steady at \$10.75.

Kansas City Cash Grain. KANSAS CITY, Jan. 25.—Wheat: No. 1 hard \$1.08 to \$1.22; No. 2 hard \$1.06 to \$1.22; No. 3 hard \$1.04 to \$1.22; No. 1 dark \$1.09 to \$1.23; No. 2 dark \$1.09 to \$1.23; No. 3 dark \$1.08 to \$1.22. Corn: No. 3 white \$78c; No. 3 yellow 75c; No. 4 yellow 74c; No. 3 mixed 71 1-2c; Oats: No. 3 white 49 1-4c.

St. Louis Cash Grain. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 25.—Wheat: No. 1 red \$1.17; No. 2 red \$1.13 to \$1.16; No. 3 red \$1.12; No. 4 red \$1.09; No. 2 hard \$1.10; July \$1.05 1-2; Sept. \$1.05 3-4. Corn: No. 4 white 78 1-2c; July 81 1-4c; Sept. 81 1-4c. Oats: No. 2 white 50 1-2c to 51c; No. 3 white 49 1-4c to 49 1-2c; No. 4 white 49c; May 50 3-4c.

Chicago Cash Grain. CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 25.—Wheat: No. 3 red \$1.11 5-8; No. 2 hard \$1.09 1-4 to \$1.12. Corn: No. 2 yellow 80c to \$0 1-4c; No. 3 yellow 79 1-2c to 80c; No. 4 yellow 76 1-2c to 77c; No. 5 yellow 76c to 77 1-2c; No. 6 yellow 75 1-4c. Oats: No. 2 mixed 79 1-2c; No. 3 mixed 77 1-4 to 77 1-2c; No. 4 mixed 76 1-2c to 77c; No. 5 mixed 76c. Cattle: No. 3 white 80c to \$1; No. 4 white 78 1-2 to 78 3-4c; No. 5 white 76 1-4c to 77 3-4c.

Oats: No. 3 white 47 3-4c to 47 1-2c; No. 4 white 47 1-4c to 48c. Standards 45 1-4c to 46 3-4c; Barley 63c to 68c; Eye No. 3 72 1-2c; Timothy \$6.00 to \$8.00; Clover \$18.00 to \$23.75.

NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE. THE STATE OF TEXAS. County of Lubbock.

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued by Honorable Clark M. Mellican, Judge of the District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, in cause No. styled J. T. Brown vs. W. S. Hodges, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1924, I will proceed to sell all of the assets of the partnership known as the Star Mercantile Company, composed of J. T. Brown, and W. S. Hodges, in my possession as Receiver, at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, at the store of said Star Mercantile Company in Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas, on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1924, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. Immediately after said sale, a report thereof will be made to the Court, and any sale made will be subject to the approval of the Court. Witness my hand at Lubbock, Texas, this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1924. CHRIS HARWELL, Receiver.

Scissored Editorial

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS A REAL REQUISITE. It is not too early to begin to make new resolutions. Among the first let us resolve to stand behind the Coleman Chamber of Commerce. It is an organization that stands behind your home city.—Coleman Times. It is difficult indeed to imagine any live, progressive, up-and-coming town or city without a chamber of commerce. The difference between having a chamber of commerce or commercial club in a town is just the difference between progress and stagnation. Clap and Comment challenges any one to name a town or city in the country which does not have a chamber of commerce or simlars organization which is classed as a chamber of commerce or simlars organization, but you stand a better chance,

which is very much in your favor of building in the way you most desire, by having a commercial organization rather than not to have such.—Abilene Reporter.

Strong, healthy human beings sometimes become, for a short time, "puny" and appear "peak-ed," but in due time recover from the temporary physical derangement, and become once more robust and vigorous. But if the ailment becomes chronic, the erstwhile strong and healthy human being will go to his reward. It is so with communities, villages, towns and cities. And any town or city which has allowed its civic interests to become "puny" to the extent of suspending its chamber of commerce or commercial club or business league, is in grave danger of passing into a peaceful case of sloping sickness. If you live in a town which has no chamber of commerce or similar body, do you not become concerned over the malady sometimes? Better give it a dose of organized effort to rebuild on its ashes of defeat.—Clarendon News.

We have a lot of citizens who would profit considerably if the Chamber of Commerce was successful in securing an oil mill, compress, or other industries, yet there are any number of property owners in this city who will not give a penny to aid in this work. They are willing to reap the benefits of the efforts of others but "too tight" to aid any worthy cause.—Big Spring Herald.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Avalanche is authorized to announce the following for the office given below, subject to the Democratic Primary in July and the voters of this county are urged to give them due consideration at the polls.

- For District Judge, 72nd Judicial District—CLARK M. MULLICAN. (Re-Election.)
- For District Attorney, 72nd Judicial District—PARKE N. DALTON. (Crosbyton)
- For Clerk, 72nd Judicial District—LOUIE F. MOORE. (Re-Election)
- For County Judge: CHARLES NORDYKE, J. H. MOORE, GEORGE W. FOSTER.
- For County Attorney: OWEN W. McWHORTER. (Re-Election)
- For County Clerk: HERBERT STUBBS. (Re-Election)
- For Sheriff: H. L. JOHNSTON, (re-election)
- For County Commissioner, Prec. 3: B. N. WHEELER. (Re-Election) E. N. (Uncle Ed) HARRISON. Route 1
- For County Superintendent of Schools: W. M. FEVERHOUSE. H. G. BOWLIN. P. F. BROWN.
- For Tax Assessor: R. C. BURNS. (Re-Election)
- For Tax Collector: I. F. HOLLAND, Lubbock, Texas
- For County Treasurer: J. S. SLOVER. (Re-Election)
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1: COL. W. E. JOHNSON. (Re-Election)
- For Public Weigher, Prec. 1: W. S. (Billie) CLARK. I. M. CAMPBELL. P. O. BROCK. J. B. HEARRELL.
- For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 3: H. N. ESTES, Idalou. J. T. LEE, (Idalou). AL H. TURNER.

AT THE CHURCHES

Church of Christ, Broadway and Ave N. Bible Study, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. by T. M. Carney. Morning Theme: "Government of the Church." Evening Theme: "Marr's Fall and His Restoration." Young Peoples Meeting, 5:45 p. m.

Mid-week Service Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Bible Class Thursday, 3:00 p. m. Preaching this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, South West Ward. Everybody on time today. Go to church like you go to your work-day business, in earnest. Be something! Do something! We extend a welcome to visitors and strangers. T. M. CARNEY.

FIRE DEPT. RACES TEN MILES TO ANSWER CALL

ROBART, Ind., Jan. 25.—Across icy roads and through zero weather Gary's fire department raced ten miles Friday in record time to halt a \$75,000 fire at the National Fireproof company's plant, where fireproof materials are made. Local fire fighters, handicapped by low water pressure, were helpless. More than a hundred men were thrown out of work.

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SPORT NEWS

LAMESA CAGERS DOWNED BY SEMINOLE IN HARD BATTLE TYING COUNT FOR BI-COUNTY CHAMPS

LAMESA, Jan. 25.—Following the victory of the local high cagers here last week, in which they downed the Seminole quintet 17 to 12, the local lads today journeyed over to the sanctuary of their former foes where they met defeat 22 to 18.

Both took off with a mighty rush, the local lads determined that they would retain their crown as victors, while their opponents were equally as much determined that they should return to their lair with defeat hanging over them. So the contest opened, and with the sound of the initial whistle, Lamesa flew in with a heavy defense attack, which at no time in the exhibition showed any signs of weakening.

Through four quarters of fury they battled neck and neck, and at the end of the allotted period, fared no better than when they started, for the official count showed each with 18 points.

By mutual agreement, it was decided that the tie should be broken, and in they plunged again for several minutes of furious play, during which Seminole staged a terrific defense attack, holding the local lads scoreless, while they added four counters to their total.

This brings a tie count in the decision for bi-county championship, necessitating another game, which will probably be played some time next week.

Equally unfortunate were the fairer sex in their decision for a champ, when they met Seminole today, for they likewise broke into a tie count, having lost last week and won today. The game also probably will be played next week, when a decision will be made for a representative from this section to the district meet.

PENNANT SURE FOR CUBS SAYS PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Visions of a pennant are entertained by President William L. Veeck, of the Cubs, following his return from California's sunshine and chronic optimism.

Veeck arrived in Chicago Friday and shortly afterwards was in conference with Manager Killefer and G. C. Alexander. They agreed unanimously that the Cubs have the pennant all but tucked away.

But it developed at the conference that Killefer believes he needs Charles Hollocher, the balking shortstop, to insure annexing the flag. Veeck said he has made his final offer to Hollocher and that it was up to the midget to sign the contract now in his possession after he is reinstated by Commissioner Landis.

Otherwise, Veeck hinted, Hollocher may find himself outside of organized baseball next season.

FORMAL CEREMONIES OPEN 1924 OLYMPIC GAMES IN FRANCE

CHAMONIX, France, Jan. 25.—Although the main groups of Olympic athletes have not yet come to France, the formal ceremonies of opening the 1924 Olympic games were performed here Friday with great dignity and a pageant of flags and marching athletes.

There were 408 men and women from 15 nations in the procession with Austria in the lead and the United States far back in the alphabetic order of march. Estonia, France, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy and the Norse countries had athletes in the parade.

Gaston Vidal, minister of sport, opened the games on behalf of the French government and received the oath of fairness and loyalty from the captain of the French military ski team.

The games begin with the skating competitions Saturday.

DUNDEE TO MEET MORAN NEXT WEEK IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Johnny Dundee, the human mango tree, who grows from the featherweight to the welterweight class before your very eyes, will run the risk of being stopped for the second time in his long career when he submits his chin to Pal Moran of New Orleans in the Garden next week.

Dundee was so sluggish in his last fight here, the one with Jack Bernstein, and it seemed to require such an effort to fling his knuckles, that some of his original customers believe he has begun to slide at last.

Dundee is now in his fifteenth year as a prize fighter, having begun as a four round boy in New York when he was only 15 years old. It is only a few months since he made the greatest fight of his entire campaign, the one against Eugene Criegui.

SARAZEN TAKES FIRST BLOCK GOLF TILT

LAKE MERCED COUNTRY CLUB, Calif., Jan. 25.—Gene Sarazen, American professional golf champion for the past two years, finished three up on Arthur Havers, British open champion in the first half of their 72-hole international match at Lake Merced course here today.

Sarazen played brilliant but erratic golf, frequently getting into trouble but coming out repeatedly to finish ahead of the tall Britisher.

Havers lost the match by poor work on the greens.

Rain fell during the last 27 holes of the 36 for the day making the tricky course still more difficult.

The second 36 holes of the match will be played on the course of the Hillcrest Country club at Los Angeles.

CAMBRIDGE LETTER NOT BE AWARDED GOLF CHAMPION

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 25.—Bobby Jones, national open golf champion and now a student at Harvard university, will leave Cambridge next month without having the golf "H" conferred on him. Jones, the student council has decided, is not eligible to receive that distinction.

Though Bobbie was not a member of the Harvard golf team the student council seriously considered awarding him a letter for winning the open title. It was finally ruled that an athlete must be a member of a Harvard team in order to earn his letter.

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barrier Entertain With Dinner Party.

One of the most delightful social events of the past week was given Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barrier entertaining the office and sales force of Barrier Brothers Department Store, at their home 1312 Seventh street, with a seven o'clock dinner.

Daintily embroidered covers for four were laid at each of the six tables arranged, and a beautifully appointed turkey dinner was served. After the covers had been removed the remainder of the evening was devoted to forty-two.

Those present were: Mesdames, Jack Tubbs, S. C. Hurt, Clark Griffin, Misses, Lila Rushing, Ruby and Sue Cook, Messers, and Mesdames, L. E. Hunt, C. C. Reed, Pennell, George W. Morris, Mike Barrier, Raymond Barrier and children; Messers, A. B. Clifton, Crawford, and Mervin Barrier.

RAY DEFEATS FIFTEEN IN TWO MILE OPEN RACE

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—Joie Ray defeated a field of fifteen entries Friday night in the two mile open scratch run at the Illinois Athletic club's handicap meet here.

Ray made the distance in the excellent time of 9 minutes 34 3-5 seconds.

Michigan Coach Honored

ANNARBOR, Mich., Jan. 25.—"Hurry up" Yost, Michigan's football mentor, is now professor of the fielding post.

The board of regents of the university has raised him to full academic rank and now he is entitled to be called "Professor of the theory and practice of academic coaching."

11,000 Bowlers Enter

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 25.—Entries for the American bowling congress tournament, to be held in Chicago next month, already total 2,175 teams. Entry fees, to be distributed as prize money, now amount to more than \$109,000. More than 11,000 bowlers will participate.

"NEW" SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORLD

- CHICAGO (United Press)—Niagara Falls, the telephone and other discoveries and inventions are not among the "seven greatest wonders of America," as seen by President Walter Dill Scott of Northwestern University here. President Scott names the wonders as follows:
1. The Declaration of Independence.
 2. The Federal Constitution.
 3. The Harmonious adjustment of church and state.
 4. The American educational system.
 5. The stability of endowment institutions.
 6. The Eighteenth Amendment.
 7. The natural resources of America.

CONFIDENT OF VICTORY FOR TAX PLAN

BY THOMAS L. STOKES (United News Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The movement begun by certain republican leaders to stand squarely behind the Mellon tax plan will finally win out, in the opinion of President Coolidge, despite the desire for a compromise by other leaders, particularly Floor Leader Longworth and Chairman Green of the house ways and means committee.

This reaction to the drive for the Mellon plan which is taking definite shape in the house came from a spokesman for the president Friday. Coolidge believes that the sentiment of the country and in congress will drive republican leaders into line behind the secretary of the treasury's bill, it was explained.

Further than this, the president has information that treasury figures on the democratic tax plan, soon to be made public, will show that the minority plan is economically unsound. This, he believes, will solidify republican ranks. Many republicans favor a higher surtax rate than the 25 percent maximum in the Mellon bill. The democrats want 44 percent.

The president is not going to make a personal fight for the Mellon plan. He will enter into no controversy with congress over the surtax rates. Nor has he any intention of making it a "partisan" measure. Republicans in congress have charged democrats with "partisan" politics in their outspoken opposition to the Mellon plan. The president, it was said, would welcome support for the Mellon plan from anyone who desires to give it.

The confident feeling of the president was regarded as an indication that he has received private assur-

ances that the republicans are coming closer on the tax program. There have been frequent conferences at the capitol among leaders, since the ways and means committee began to draw its bill.

Time, the president believes, will work to aid the Mellon plan. As the bill is coming to be better understood, he has noticed a change of front and a rallying of support, it was said, and the prospects for a final agreement are getting better every day.

Republican leaders who have determined to stand or fall by the Mellon measure, are working to convince their colleagues of the wisdom of this course, welcomed the president's encouragement. However, they are up against a tremendous task.

Representative Longworth is still in favor of a compromise on the surtax rates. So is Chairman Green, of the tax committee. In order to put off a decision on this touchy subject as long as possible the republican members of the committee in drawing their program placed surtax rates last for consideration.

The committee continued its study of nuisance tax reductions Friday, voting to repeal the tax on soft drinks, which netted \$11,000,000 revenue last year. They expect to finish this portion of the bill Saturday.

Secretary Mellon, in a letter Friday to Representative Moore, of Virginia, placed himself on record as favoring a provision requiring taxpayers to report to the treasury on their tax exempt income. Moore said that such a law would be valuable in checking up the amount of outstanding tax free securities.

PROSPERITY DUE TO UNCLE SAM'S NAVY

SAN DIEGO, Calif., (United Press)—Almost \$16,000,000 has been spent by the federal government on naval establishments here in the last year, according to Rear-Admiral Ashley H. Robertson, commandant of the Eleventh Naval District. The average monthly payroll of officers, enlisted men and civilian employees of the navy district is \$740,000 and the total monthly pay for all naval forces here, ashore and floating, is approximately \$1,500,000, said the admiral.

The population of San Diego has been increased by at least 10,000 people by the various activities of the navy, according to Admiral Robertson.

TO BUILD A TEST DAM IN THE WEST

NEW YORK (United Press)—Engineers of Europe and America will make a scientific inquiry in to the question of dams in the far west, to discover the safest and cheapest way to build these dams that are of immense importance in the development of the power and irrigation plans in the west.

A feature of the undertaking will be the erection in California of a test dam. One contribution of \$25,000 toward the cost of constructing and testing this dam has been pledged, according to a statement by the Engineering Foundation. Experiments to be witnessed by engineers of the east and west are planned for 1924.

REAL BALLROOM LIZARD

VENICE, Calif., (United Press)—Local officers recently captured a very thoroughly developed specimen of the ballroom lizard. A police officer noticed a gleam beneath the coat-tail of a dancer and discovered a silver-tipped flask when he took him in charge. When officers searched him they found two powder puffs, a lip stick, a biscuit of rouge, two combs and an eyebrow pencil. He was turned loose on bail with regrets. The police really wanted to destroy "it."

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GRADUATING EXERCISES FOR MID TERM CONDUCTED AT HIGH SCHOOL LAST EVENING; SPLENDID PROGRAM

Commencement exercises for mid-term graduates from the Lubbock grammar school to the Lubbock High School were held at the high school last evening.

The affair was well-attended, in fact the spacious auditorium was taxed to capacity despite the fact that special precautions had been taken to assure all who went to the school a seat in the auditorium.

Each of the graduates was given eighteen tickets, and from a view of the huge crowd it looked as though all invitations had been accepted.

Those graduating with special honors, having made an average of 90 or more, are as follows:

Lucile Andrews, Alice Barr, Mary Louise Baskin, Felma Bivens, Anna Mae Bowlin, Thelma Brown, Ellen Gaither, Leona Gelin, Edith Hickey, Pauline Holland, Edna Mae Ingram, Moreen Louis, Ella Mable Long, Berzice Moreland, Mildred Nail, Lorine Faulger, Edith Waters, Correen Cox, and Ray Thorne.

And the above honor graduates the following were given diplomas and passed into the high school:

Paulene Ames, Dixie Frost, Haven Sawyer, Ruth Scroggins, Leslie Mae Smith, Lizzette Strickle, Opal White, Crawford Black, Bernard Bowles, Raymond Burford, Robert Burnes, Raimon Coleman, Gordon Dickinson, Ernest Elliot, Cecil Flynn, Edward Whittaker, W. C. Mathes, Roy Pryor, Revel Smith, W. C. Terrell, William Whittaker, Marvin Williams, Jackie Winn, Erwin Wolffarth and Floyd Zellner.

The following program was carried out:

Invocation—Rev. W. A. Bowen.
Salutatory—Alice Barr.
Moon of the Springtime—Chorus.
Cracks at the Crowd—Pauline Holland.
Class Prophecy—Ellen Gaither.
Music—Orchestra.
Address to the Class—Rev. Poston.
Skating Song—Chorus.
Valedictory—Noreen Lewis.
Presentation of diplomas—Dr. J. T. Hutchinson.

RULING IS MADE ON TEXAS POLL TAX LAW.

AUSTIN, Jan. 25.—In an opinion to C. P. Sheppard, county attorney of Runtless County, it was held by the Attorney General's Department Tuesday afternoon that a person not a resident of a city of 5,000 people or more, becoming 21 years of age after Jan. 1, 1923, and prior to any election held before Feb. 1, 1925, may vote at any such election or elections without a poll tax receipt or a certificate of exemption, if otherwise qualified.

The question submitted for a ruling came from Ballinger and was in effect whether a man or woman who has reached the age of 21 since Jan. 1, 1923, and prior to Feb. 1, 1924, could vote at an election held between those dates. Another question presented included the same substance with the dates of Feb. 1, 1924, and Jan. 31, 1925, and who did not hold a certificate of exemption.

CLYDE MAN MAY MAKE HIS HOME IN LUBBOCK

E. Lee Pool, of Clyde, arrived in Lubbock Thursday and is to remain here several days looking for a location to make his home.

Mr. Pool is an experienced bookkeeper and his friend, Rev. C. E. Lynn, of Lubbock, says he is the type of citizen in which Lubbock people would be especially interested in getting located here.

POSEY

The dry weather continues, and farmers have about all finished scraping their cotton. Each one seems to be pretty well satisfied with the results of the year, 1923, and are looking forward to a bumper crop this year. Several have already begun plowing.

O. A. Robertson purchased a tractor last week that he is using in breaking land.

O. A. Robertson sold Mr. J. L. Benton four mules that will be used in the cultivation of the Benton farm. Mr. Benton also bought a house from Mr. Robertson and moved it to the place occupied by Archie Conner.

There was to be a meeting at the school house Tuesday night for the purpose of organizing a Boy Scout club, but it was postponed on account of Mr. Stephens being sick. He was unable to teach part of the week.

Mr. Owens, the Presbyterian pastor from Slaton, preached at Posey Sunday afternoon.

Last Wednesday afternoon, as Le-la Schulte, little 9-year old daughter of Julius Schulte was going home from school she was struck by a car driven by Mr. Vaughn of Slaton. Both bones in her left leg were broken, and her face badly bruised, a gash cut above one eye that required five stitches to close. It was feared for a while that her eye was badly injured but it seems to be about alright now. She was taken to the West Texas Hospital and treated, but is at home now. Mrs. Schulte's mother, who is from Vernon is staying with them, helping to care for the little girl. This is some more of the fruits of reckless driving. It is absolutely dangerous for children to walk on the highway. This child will miss the greater part of the school term, besides the suffering; also the worry, trouble and expense for her parents. These are things that can't be paid for in money.

Mr. A. M. Carroll and Son, Jay, have returned from a trip to Portales, New Mexico. They are moving to this community.

The Posey boys and girls are planning to go to New Hope Friday afternoon for a game of basketball.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gentry entertained the young people of the community Friday night with a party.

The young people enjoyed a musical program at E. A. Gentry's Saturday night.

Mr. Nick Gentry has been attending a convention of the Christian church at Dallas the past week. He was sent as a representative of the Slaton congregation.

W. E. Bennett and J. L. Benton who attended the Farm Bureau convention at Dallas, returned home last Sunday. While gone Mr. Bennett visited his father near Dublin, Texas, and Mr. Benton visited his grandfather at Bogota, in Red River county.

Miss Blanche Stewart, teacher at New Hope, spent the week end with her homefolks, the Fine family. She reports their new school house finished, and was planning to get moved in this week. The New Hope school house is a building that reflects honor on the whole community and one that any neighborhood should be proud of.

Arils Ellis, one of the Monroe teachers, spent the week-end with his cousins the Pines. He reports their school progressing nicely.

There have been several new pupils enrolled at Posey this week, but yet there are quite a few who have not started that needs very badly to be in school.

Mrs. J. L. Benton and son J. L. Jr. were Sunday dinner guests at Mrs. C. Z. Pines.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bennett and children were sight seeing in the Acuff community Sunday afternoon.

The following clipping from his home paper in Florida bears the announcement of the marriage of Rev. J. P. Word, who was at one time a resident of this city, and was for a number of years pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city. He was a very popular minister and the people of Lubbock appreciated his work.

The Florida paper says: Rev. J. P. Word and Mrs. John McCarthy, of Bay Harbor, were happily united in marriage on Monday afternoon at the home of Olie Hobbs in this city, Rev. C. S. Talley performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Word is a charming woman, and has many friends in Dothan, Alabama where she lived with her father, Mr. Thrasher, prior to her marriage.

Rev. Word is our perfectly good Presbyterian minister, who always has a word of cheer for his fellow-man, every hour of the day, every day of the week, and is a minister of the gospel who does not need a sign on his back for one to know his profession.

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ARCHITECTS DRAWING PLANS FOR MANY BUILDINGS

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 25.—Plans for five schools, a church and a jail for Panhandle towns are now being drawn by Amarillo architects.

Crosbyton is to erect a \$25,000 school and a \$20,000 jail. Quitaque is to have a \$45,000 school, Lockney a \$35,000 school, Muleshoe a \$15,000 school and Hale Center a \$25,000 addition to its high school.

Brownfield Baptists will erect a \$40,000 church.

Buy your groceries at Martin & Wolcott's today—save the difference.

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"BAD MAN" ON SCREEN AFTER THREE YEARS ON STAGE

Holbrook Blinn, star of Edwin Carrewe's "The Bad Man," a First National picture at the R. & R. Theatre today is the original "bad man" of both stage and screen.

Blinn, up to the time of the release of "The Bad Man," was the only actor who had ever played the role. This is a unique achievement in itself, because seldom is a stage actor as good in the films as he is on the stage and vice versa.

Blinn began playing the role back in 1920 when the play was first presented in New York City. For three years without cessation he played the role of "Panche Lopez" before Broadway audiences. Then he followed this with a short tour of the country, playing in all the principal cities, returning to Chicago for a solid year. This was followed by another tour which ended in Los Angeles.

During the making of the film in Hollywood, Blinn was also appearing the stage version of the play at a local theatre. For nearly a month the only clothes he wore were his "stage" clothes. He would don them in the morning for his film scenes and keep them on all day, appearing at the theatre in the evening in the same make-up.

"The Bad Man" was adapted by John Lynch. Wallace Fox assisted Carewe in the directing.

"The Bad Man" was adapted from the play by Porter Emerson Browne by John Lynch.

Others in the cast besides Holbrook Blinn are Enid Bennett, Jack Mulhall and Walter McGrail.

NOTICE TO BUTCHERS, MEAT PEDDLERS AND SLAUGHTERMEN

At a meeting of the City Commission the following Ordinance passed its First Reading by a unanimous vote.

An Ordinance providing that all animals for slaughter and sale within this city, shall be inspected before such slaughter, with certain exceptions, establishing a house where such animals shall be slaughtered and inspected, and prepared for sale; providing for the appointment of an inspector for such, and defining his duties; providing fees for inspection and regulating the prices, services and charges at such slaughter house.

(Signed) PERCY SPENCER, Mayor.

26th-27th

LOCAL AUTOMOBILE MAN TO ATTEND CHICAGO NATIONAL SHOW

George Mulkey, local distributor of Maxwell and Hup automobiles, left Friday afternoon for Chicago where he will attend the National Automobile Show.

Mr. Mulkey is one of the live dealers of the plains trade territory, and that he will make every minute of the big show count for much in gaining information and sales plans which will make for greater efficiency in the operation of his business here is assured.

Mr. Mulkey will return to Lubbock in time to assist the Avalanche in staging the local automobile style show which is planned for the spring season.

The local show will not be held until dealers have time to receive the very latest models, such as will be shown at the Chicago exposition, which will be displayed.

Avalanche Want Ads Get Results.

A LETTER FROM S. J. REDMAN IN NEW MEXICO

A letter from S. J. Redman, formerly of this city, but who has been in Santa Fe and Albuquerque, N. M., since leaving here last summer, states that he finds that the climate of New Mexico is not agreeing with him, and that he and his son Geary, who was for a number of years an employee of the Avalanche Publishing Company will leave there shortly for southern Arizona, or possibly California.

SLATON EDITOR HERE ON BUSINESS FRIDAY

Editor-manager Lance Suits, of the Slaton-Slatonite, accompanied by J. D. Norris, also of Slaton, was here for a few hours Friday transacting business.

The Slaton Slatonite is serving the people of Slaton well and is having a great deal to do toward the demise of that city.

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Each sack contains 20 lbs. of Meal and 80 lbs. of Hulls thoroughly mixed by machinery.

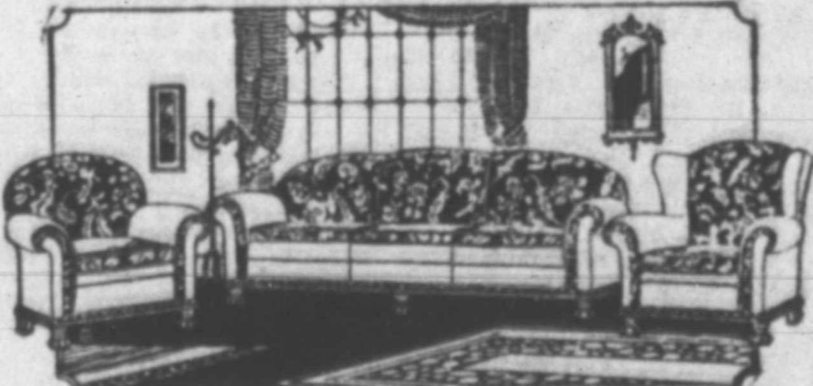
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To the housewife this one feature of Rex Sanitized Over-Stuffed Living Room Suites is worth a great deal. For sturdy construction, luxurious upholstery we believe that the Rex Sanitized Suites will fill more than your expectation.

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Seven-eighths to one inch staple and best turn-out of any cotton on the Plains—the kind buyers pay a premium for.

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Car of These Seed to Arrive February 1st—Reserve Now.

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Irish Potatoes, 100 lbs. for \$2.35
Sugar, 100 lbs. \$9.85
Sugar, 10 lbs. \$1.00
Pink Beans, 12 lbs. \$1.00

10 Per Cent Discount on all Tea Garden Preserves and Jellies. Other Specials to numerous to mention here.

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WANTED
 WANTED—Girl or woman to do housework. Apply in person at 902 Main. 76-1f
 WANTED—A first class cooking job. Terms reasonable. References if wanted. Box 305, Canyon, Texas. 76-3p
 WANTED—A competent planing mill man. Good job to right party. Phone 736. 76-2f
 WANTED—Two furnished light housekeeping rooms for two. Phone 211. 76-2p
 WANTED—Cottage bargain direct from owner, southwest side, that \$500 to \$1000 cash and easy terms will handle, or good lot at bargain. Address box 1043 with house or lot number. 75-3p
 WANTED—To buy sitting hens. Phone 887. 75-2p
 WANTED—Someone to put in fifty or one hundred acres new land and work it in cotton. M. C. McCrummen. Phone 60. 74-1f
 WANTED—Young single man wants to rent 75 acres of farm land on shares and board with owner. Address E. S. Hall, Gen. Del., Lubbock, Texas. 74-3p
 WANTED—Men to break sod land, will give all land makes first year. Have 1200 acres one mile of Shal-lower. Call O. E. Sears at Sears & Powell Land Co. 74-1f

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Ford coupe, good condition, at bargain. See L. H. McLarty at C. D. Shamburger Lbr. Co. 76-5f

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Two disk moline plow, good condition, specially good for old land plowing. Phone 833, R. Q. Stubbs. 76-1p 20-1p

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Furniture and grocery store in one of the fastest growing towns in Texas, doing a nice business, new frame building 24x82, painted and papered. A snap for someone. Wire or write not later than Monday, G. M. Shaw, Littlefield, Texas. 76-2f

FOR SALE
 FORDS FOR SALE—\$50 and up. Two blocks south of court house. Phone 829. C. M. Elmore. 76-2f

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Baby buggy. Second hand store, east side of square. 76-1f

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—3-room modern house to be moved, \$500 cash, balance like rent. Write Box 1052, Lubbock. 77-1f

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Highland Mammoth Bronze turkeys, all year layers, or would let some of them out to raise on shares. C. O. Nessmith, box 1104, Lubbock. 75-3p

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Bundle cane, eight cents delivered to Lubbock. J. F. Goodman. Call 9098-F3. 75-6p

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Four work mules, two 4 years old and two 6 years old. Weight about 1100 pounds each. The four mules, \$500; also three listers and one single row cultivator. Write E. L. Rhea, General Delivery, Lubbock. 75-2p

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—Practically new 5-room house on 50 foot lot. Garage, side-walk, bath, hot and cold water, fireplace, east front, good neighborhood, priced right. Ave. U between Main and Broadway. Sid Taylor, Phone 933. 209 Leader Bldg. 73-1f-p

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE—In town, good price and terms. Come and look it over at 2120 15th St. Phone 653. 75-5p

FOR SALE OR TRADE
 Well located six-room house; will take car or lots first payment. Easy terms on balance. Phone 107 or see owner, Raymond Barrier. 73-1f

FOR SALE
 85 full blooded young Rhode Island Red hens. Mrs. J. A. Long, Phone 920M, Lubbock. 72-6p

FOR SALE
 1923 model Hup touring, also 1923 model Hup sport touring. Ragland Motor Co. 71-7p

FOR SALE
 By owner, 10-room house, 26 lots, block 8, McCrummen second addition. Phone 905. 71-7p

FOR SALE
 Four improved places by owner, ranging from 640 acres to 3,600 acres, all in Moore county, the banner cotton county of the North Plains. Box 101, Dumas, Texas. 7019p

FOR SALE
 Sand and gravel, Call J. Gelin. Phone 669. 67-24p

FOR SALE
 Some pure Mebane cotton planting seed grown by Sheriff W. M. Elson, Lockhart, Texas. Improved long staple variety, no other is good for the price. Write J. O. B. Smith, Lockhart, Texas. 65-18p

FOR SALE
 Two sections of land situated nine miles northwest of Lubbock. For particulars write the San Antonio Loan and Trust Co., P. O. Box 866, San Antonio, Texas. 40-1f

FOR SALE
 One A Number Fordson tractor, price \$350.00. 818 Main street. Phone 294. 69-1f

FOR RENT
 Two rooms at 609 Ave. J. J. H. Crow. 76-1p

FOR RENT
 Three nice unfurnished rooms to parties without children. Apply at Ave. S between 14th and 15th streets. 76-3p

FOR RENT
 3 furnished rooms to couple without children. 1704 Ave. J. Phone 412. 75-2f

FOR RENT
 Several desirable and well located offices. See Paul Barrier at Barrier Bros. 75-1f

MISCELLANEOUS
 ROOM AND BOARD—For men \$8.00 per week. 1412 Ave. L. 76-2p

FOR TRADE
 1-2 section of land in Gaines Co. for business lots in Lubbock. See owner at Avalanche Office.

FOR TRADE
 House and two lots in Lubbock for team and tools and want to rent a farm. See W. H. Wilkinson at 809 Ave M. 44-47p.

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 Will exchange cottage or small two-story residence and suburban store with filling station for improved or unimproved farm near Lubbock. Land must be first class and at the right price. Prefer dealing direct with owner. Address: J. B. Patterson, 414 N. Windomire, Dallas, Texas. Phone Cliff 3153. 72-5f

FOR TRADE
 Second hand automobile for town lots, will pay difference. See O. Lykes. 74-4p

CARVER LAUNDRY
 Just established at 706 Broadway. We want your work. Call 952. 74-6p

I AM BACK
 in the Laundry, my phone number is 948-J. Call me. Jesse Lane. 71-6p

Thomas Grain Co.
 for feed and fuel. Phone 324. 5-1f

LOST AND FOUND
 FOUND—Bunch of keys. Owner please call and get them by paying for this ad. 72-2f

\$20,000 REAL ESTATE DEAL MADE HERE FRIDAY
 A deal was closed Friday whereby R. H. Martin, of Martin's Bakery and E. McElroy, of the Lyric theater, became owners of the block just south of the Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber company that was owned by Geo. L. & Beaty, local attorney.

Between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars were involved in this transaction, which is of special importance to all of the people of Lubbock as Messrs. Martin and McElroy will start work on these lots in the near future having all accumulation of rubbish removed and where necessary landscaping will be done to put these lots into the very best of shape for homesteads.

While no other statements were made regarding the improvement of this block, it was intimated that an aggressive development program might follow in the wake of the clean-up program, which within itself will be of inestimable value to Lubbock as this block is not at all attractive at this time though it lies in the heart of what will soon be one of the most beautiful residential districts of Lubbock.

LIGON
 Morton J. Smith and Barret Penny were in the Ligon store this week with a petition to organize Cochran county. While the gentlemen were in Ligon they visited the gin and spoke well of the gin and the cotton that was on the grounds.

J. W. Arrowood's baby burned itself on the stove this week. Montie Placks is now with Whaley & Lewis.

Leonard Black formerly with Maltell Cattle Company is now with Bob Slaughter Company.

C. C. Slaughter from Dallas passed through Ligon enroute to "Scrape Out" ranch.

Rev. Spence Knox of Albany, Texas, is visiting his ranch.

Henry Rudder foreman for Halsell Cattle Company has moved the headquarters to the Sarat place.

Mr. Morrow of Gulf Refining Company was in Ligon on business.

H. J. Knox was in Lubbock this week.

A. G. Davis was in Sudan lately.

Mrs. J. P. Robertson has returned from Walnut Springs, after visiting a month.

Clyde Schmaull has been ginning at Ligon.

Lee Green and wife of Bluet, New Mexico, passed through Ligon.

Correspondence courses in radio reception and transmission are offered by the engineering extension department of the Pennsylvania State College. More students have enrolled in the radio courses than in any of the other correspondence courses offered by the department.

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ONE REASON WHY CALIF. "POINTS WITH PRIDE"
 By United News.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—California, according to the records of the United States weather bureau here, has a more varied climate, than any state in the Union.

The highest temperature ever recorded was registered by a thermometer in California. In the high Sierras, in Alpine county, the heaviest snowfall ever measured in the United States occurred in the winter of 1906-1907.

Death Valley, California, has the distinction of going over the top with the thermometer, the mercury rising to 124 in the shade July 10, 1913. How hot it was in the sun was not recorded, because down in Death Valley they don't hang thermometers in the sun.

That cold winter of 1906 in Alpine county, seventy-three feet of snow decended upon the Sierras. The tops of the tallest trees barely protruded through the heavy blanket.

California east of the Sierras has the least rain of any section of the United States. This is where Death Valley lies 178 feet below sea level with an annual precipitation of 1.76 inches. In San Bernardino county the sun works more constantly than in any other part of the United States according to official record.

Point Reyes on the coast above San Francisco enjoys the coolest summers of any place in the United States, with a mean temperature of 54 degrees. It is also one of the windiest sea level places in the United States.

Bodie, in Mono county, claims the coldest record, the mercury dropping to 36 degrees below zero about 20 years ago.

LADY BURGLAR GOT \$55 AND LEFT HER HAT
 By United News.

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 25.—Thomas Chismas is looking for a woman without a hat. When he finds her he wants to find out what became of his \$55 that was missing about the time he found the hat.

Chismas says the woman awakened him when she ran from the room leaving her hat behind. His purse containing \$55 was missing when he investigated.

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 Phone 907
 J. F. Hawthorne, Local Rep.

LOCAL DODGE DEALER LEFT THIS MORNING FOR CHICAGO

Walter Royalty, of the Royalty Motor company, Dodge distributors, will leave this morning for Chicago to attend the National Automobile Show.

Mr. Royalty has made five visits to the national shows in the past, and is going again this year to get the newest ideas in motordom. He declares the trips are dividend payers, as a dealer by keeping up with the activities of the big show can gain first hand knowledge of the business that enables him to handle his own problems more efficiently.

Mr. Royalty will be met at Plainview by Boyce Cardwell, manager of the Dodge distributing agency of that city, and at Amarillo by Mr. Collum, the Dodge distributor there, and they will make the trip to Chicago together.

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 We offer to Automobile owners of Lubbock a better battery service. Let us adjust any ignition or battery trouble—our work is the best and our charge nominal.
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BELIEVE CRIMINAL ACTION WAS COMMITTED IN FALL DEAL AND IMMEDIATE PROSECUTION IS URGED

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER
(United News Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—President Coolidge is strongly of the opinion that criminal action has been committed somewhere in connection with the oil leases consummated while Albert B. Fall was secretary of the interior.

These who are guilty of criminal acts must and will be punished, it was stated on behalf of the president at the White House Friday.

This emphatic statement was made after the president had read the amazing testimony of Edward L. Doheny who confessed to advancing \$100,000 to Fall while the latter was a member of the cabinet and prior to receiving the California oil lease out of which a profit of \$100,000,000 is anticipated.

The president realizes that a man cannot be convicted on rumor and he is loath to believe there has been any criminal intent, but nevertheless the evidence adduced thus far requires an explanation and an investigation and it strongly points toward criminal action somewhere.

Furthermore, if the government is found to have suffered by any of the leases, steps to annul them will be instituted. Despite the departure of Attorney General Daugherty for Florida Friday, the department of justice at the instant instruction of the White House will press its own investigation and prosecute if a grand jury indictment can be obtained.

This development came just after another apparent falsehood had been nailed on ex-Secretary Fall by the sworn statement of Colonel James W. Zevely, personal attorney for Harry F. Sinclair, that he advanced Fall \$25,000 on behalf of Sinclair. Doheny had already testified under oath that he advanced Fall \$100,000. So that it appears Fall received large advances from the two oil magnates who obtained the richest leases during his incumbency.

These disclosures are all the more amazing in the light of Fall's statement to the senate committee in writing—one month ago: "It should be needless for me to say that in the purchase of the Harris ranch or in any other purchase or expenditure I have never approached E. L. Doheny or Mr. Harry F. Sinclair or anyone connected with him or any of his corporations, nor have I ever received from either of said parties, one cent on account of any oil lease or upon any other account whatsoever."

By his own words Fall is entangled in mis-statement, having at first said he borrowed the \$100,000 from E. B. McLean; Washington publisher, who corroborated the statement until the senate committee put him under oath. Then when McLean changed his story and denied giving Fall the cash, Fall admitted the truth of this

and said he got the money elsewhere. In addition to all of this is the ignorance revealed by Secretary of the Navy Denby, who testified before the senate committee recently that he didn't know that the Elk Hills lease signed over to Doheny 32,000 acres and 250,000,000 barrels of oil set aside as a naval reserve. Denby affixed his signature to the lease and then told the senate committee he did not know what it provided.

Suggestions that Denby ought to resign in face of this state of affairs are becoming more and more pointed.

Denby, after a call at the White House Thursday said: "My conscience is easy," but there is a strong feeling among many members of the House and Senate that a cabinet officer who is so ignorant of affairs in his own department should go back to private life.

The whole oil lease situation was discussed at the cabinet meeting prior to the White House statement.

Reserves Confiscated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Inspection of the oil deals made during the Fall regime reveals that the cream of the vast tracts of oil land set aside to supply fuel to the navy have been opened up to private drilling—a complete reversal of the policy of holding them intact which was maintained by the previous administration in face of assaults by great oil interests eager to get at the rich supplies.

There are five naval reserves—three oil reserves and two of oil shale. These great tracts embracing more than 200,000 acres, were withdrawn from homestead entry and private exploitation when they were discovered to have rich oil deposits. It was a matter of insuring a fuel supply for an oil burning navy. The Wilson administration held that these lands formed a public trust and that no private drilling should be permitted except to supply navy fuel.

Secretary Fall took the opposite view—that the reserves were being drained by adjacent drilling and that they should be opened up and developed—with the government drawing a royalty from all oil produced. Hence his series of leases—the two chief ones being the Teapot Dome to Sinclair and the Elk Hills (reserve number 1) to Doheny—which have stirred up such a sensation.

Reserve No. 1.—Embracing 32,000 acres in California, withdrawn from public exploitation by President Taft in 1909, established as a reserve by him in 1912, leased for drilling to E. L. Doheny in 1922, under a contract signed by Secretary of the Interior Fall and Secretary of the Navy Denby.

Reserve No. 2.—Embracing originally 30,000 acres in California, withdrawn by Taft in 1909 and established as a reserve by him in 1912. Much of this reserve has been under heavy litigation by the Southern Pa-

cific railroad which claimed prior rights, but the claims were recognized as valid by Secretary Fall. Claim to 2700 acres by the Honolulul Oil company were denied under the Wilson administration but the case was reopened under Harding and the grant made.

Reserve No. 3.—Embracing the Teapot Dome field in Wyoming estimated to contain 30,000,000 barrels of oil, leased to Sinclair by Fall in 1922.

Oil shale reserve No. 1.—Embracing 45,000 acres in Colorado, undeveloped.

Oil shale reserve No. 2.—Embracing 86,500 acres in Utah, not developed. The two oil shales are estimated to contain 1,000,000,000 barrels of oil but the extraction from the shale is difficult and under present methods of production it is not regarded as economical.

Not Connected in Deal.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 25.—W. A. Hawkins, legal head of the El Paso and Southwestern here, said Friday his only connection with the Doheny-Fall \$100,000 transaction was in a purely legal manner.

"I am connected in the matter in a professional way only," Hawkins said. "Such being the case, it would not be ethical for me to make any statement regarding the matter. I do not think the public nor the press

should expect me to talk about it." Hawkins was at one time a law partner with Fall. He knew Doheny when he was a mining man and attorney in the early 80's in Silver City.

CURTAIN RISES ON OLYMPIC GAMES.

By United News.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—With the curtain rising on the first act—winter sports at Chamonix—tomorrow, the Olympic Games committee is slowly but surely completing the stage setting for the big Olympiad show of 1924.

Chamonix is ready for the international battles in speed skating, ice hockey, bobsleigh racing, ski-jumping, curling and other winter athletic tests. Sixteen nations will be represented by their champions and stars. The competing countries will be the United States, Great Britain, France, Canada, Jugo-Slavia, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Finland, Austria, Latvia, Norway, Switzerland, Estonia, Sweden and Hungary.

The total number of nations entering the games in Paris is nearly forty, with late entries still coming in from far corners of the globe. The Olympic committee is laboring every day on some phase of the vast project.

The only important matter that is causing any worry to officials is the delay in the construction of

the "Olympic Village," at Colombes, where the visiting athletics will be housed. Work was originally set for December 1, but was postponed until January 1, making haste necessary if the village is to be ready when the athletic invaders start landing in force in June, America, England, Sweden and Italy will house their own teams away from the village.

The committee has been promised the use of Pershing stadium, Paris stadium and Bergeyre stadium for rugby and association football events.

The most important polo matches will be played at the Saint Cloud Country club, with secondary matches at Bagatelle field.

PROTEST BEER TAX.

MUNICH (By mail to United Press).—The "Associated Christian Brewery Workers" of Bavaria have opened a new breach between Munich and Berlin, reviving at the same time the ancient feud between hard liquor and the malt. Berlin proposes to increase the tax on beer. Bavaria protests that beer is liquid bread and takes a dig at the profligate north, by suggesting instead more taxes on "Schnaps."

Big Grocery Values in Martin & Wolcott's Saturday Specials.

Avalanche Want Ads Get Results.

QUENTIN ROOSEVELT MODEL U. S. SOLDIER.

By United News.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—The features of Quentin Roosevelt, as symbolizing the American spirit during the war, have been selected by M. Maxime Real del Sarte, sculptor and a disabled French veteran, for perpetuation in the commemorative monument to the French and Americans who fell during the fighting in the Champagne region. The monument will be erected on the site of what was Navarin Farm, famous in military operations.

A committee of Frenchmen conferred with the sculptor on the question of a likeness for the figure representing American soldier done in a striking pose with two French comrades. They have finally agreed that in the youngest son of the former president was to be found all the characteristics of the true American soldier and the American war spirit.

Lieutenant Roosevelt was a pilot in the 95th Air Squadron and fell in combat with an enemy plane in 1918.

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