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AERO INDUSTRIES PROBE ORDERED BY WAR SECRETARY

THREATENED EXTINCTION OF NATION'S DEFENSE SYS- TEM CAUSE GIVEN.

Washington, April 15.—A special board, composed of general staff officers, has been convened by the war department to investigate and report to Secretary Weeks on the aeronautical industry within the United States. Indication that the industry regarded as first importance to the maintenance of a modern air force as part of the nation's defense system is threatened with extinction and faces little prospect of improvement in the near future unless new means can be found to stimulate it, is said to have caused the department to take action through a special board.

Army officers charged with organizing key industries as a part of the peace-time industrial mobilization and intended as procurement sources for materials held to be essential to military operations in time of emergency, have learned that aircraft establishments, which were developed during the war, have practically ceased to exist and that there are only about 20 factories now operating in the United States. These, in the opinion of some air service officials, are inadequate to the military needs of the country if the army and navy are to have assurances of prompt aircraft deliveries in case emergency needs arise.

Major General Patrick, chief of the army air service, who left Washington recently to visit various air service stations and industrial centers, recently reported that commercial aviation had not developed to the point where it offered sufficient encouragement to aircraft manufacturers and the military peace time demands did not permit the army and navy to place educational orders in sufficient quantities to keep the industry at work.

Mr. S. E. Jensen Dead.

Mr. S. E. Jensen, one of Crockett's oldest, best known and most esteemed citizens, died at his home in this city at an early hour Saturday night. Mr. Jensen was 72 years old on the fourth day of the present month. He was born in Odense, Denmark, and came to America in 1879, landing at New Orleans. Soon afterward he came to Texas and to Crockett, and in 1887 married Miss Mollie Lindsey of Leon county. He had been a resident of Crockett for about 39 years. He leaves two sisters in Denmark. He came to Crockett with his friend, Mr. O. Petersen of this city, who still survives him.

During his residence in Crockett Mr. Jensen reared to manhood and womanhood a large family, most of whom are living in other cities and some of whom are married. Known and esteemed among Crockett people, among whom they came up, they are: Mack, engaged in business in Louisiana; Ruth and Mollie, also residents of Louisiana; Eskell, living in Crockett; Willie, a resident of California; Lena, whose home is in Dallas; Kate, residing in Mexia, and Kelley, with his mother in Crockett. Besides his children, all of whom are doing well, Mr. Jensen leaves the wife, who was always his helpmate and companion. His illness and death were sudden.

Mr. Jensen was a long-time member of the Christian church. He was devout in his christian belief and practical in following its teachings. As a citizen he was strong in his convictions, honest in speech and conduct, but charitable in his inclinations and opinions. His neighbors speak of his great kindness and thoughtfulness in times of grief and

trouble.

In the absence of his pastor, who is on his vacation in Arkansas, the funeral services, which were held at 8 o'clock Monday afternoon, were conducted by his long-time friend, Rev. S. F. Tenney of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Tenney paid a very appropriate tribute to the life and character of the deceased.

All of the children of the deceased, with the exception of Miss Willie Jensen, who was on her way from California, were present at the funeral.

PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT

The following proceedings have been had in the Houston county district court at Crockett during the last week:

John D. Morgan, forgery; called for trial Monday morning, but continued until Thursday of this week on account of a material witness being absent.

Chas. Martin, murder; on trial this week for killing Solomon Ard, negro. The defendant is also a negro and the killing occurred in the Porter Springs community. This case was called for trial Tuesday morning and was still in progress Wednesday. Both were young negroes and the killing was the result of an encounter in the road.

William Hayes, murder; set for Wednesday, April 18, but had not been called Wednesday afternoon.

Baker Dixon, murder; verdict of guilty and punishment assessed at 15 years in the penitentiary. Baker Dixon is a young negro and was tried for killing young Randolph, negro. Baker was riding in a Ford car and carrying a shotgun when he met Randolph. He got out of his car in a threatening attitude when a scramble started for possession of the gun. In the scuffle the gun was discharged, the load of shot going into Randolph's leg. Baker brought Randolph to Crockett in his car, but Randolph died from loss of blood while medical attention was being sought.

Almeda McGee, murder; continued for the term.

Three witnesses and three jurymen were fined \$50 each by District Judge Bishop Tuesday morning for disobeying summons in the Chas. Martin case.

The case against Jim Johnson for selling liquor, which resulted in a mistrial week before last, was reset for Thursday of this week for another hearing.

The jury for the week beginning April 23, which is next week, has been excused from service.

Honoring Mrs. Kennedy.

One of the most enjoyable affairs on the social calendar for the past week was the bridge party of Thursday afternoon for Mrs. Will Kennedy of Leesville, La., with Mrs. Carl Goolsby as the charming hostess.

The home, attractively adorned with cut flowers and potted plants, presented a cosy and pleasing contrast to the unfavorable weather conditions without.

Four tables of players enjoyed this delightful hospitality until a late hour. A color scheme of pink and white was featured in table appointments, and later in the appetizing refreshments served, consisting of a fruit salad course with cherry ice and mints served in baskets of pink and white.

When scores were counted, Mrs. W. G. Cartwright received for high score a glass fruit knife and Mrs. Corry a dainty handkerchief for consolation. Mrs. Kennedy, the honoree, was presented with a beautiful guest towel as a souvenir gift from the hostess.

Guest.

Women are not suitable substitutes for men in the engine room of a ship at sea, according to marine engineering experts.

STATE'S SOLONS RALLY TO CALL OF SPECIAL SESSION

AUSTIN HOTEL LOBBIES ARE CROWDED; REVENUE ACTS COMING FIRST.

Austin, Texas, April 15.—State senators and representatives are gathering today for the second special session of the Thirty-eighth legislature, which will be called to order at 10 a. m. tomorrow. Many of the legislators have been here since Friday, though the larger bodies arrived today. A few will come tomorrow morning.

Hotel lobbies are crowded with the lawmakers, each with his pet bill.

The time of the house will be occupied almost entirely by revenue measures, among which are the severance tax bill by Melson, the gross production tax on oil by Coffey and the Patman intangible asset tax. Representative Dinkle, it is believed, will make another attempt to secure passage of his income tax bill, which was reported adversely in committee at the regular session.

Another possibility is a gross receipts tax bill, to include corporations now exempt from such taxation.

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Owing to the bad roads and so much rain, the Courier's list of subscription renewals is not as large this week as it was last week. However, under present road and weather conditions, it is all that could be expected and is very much appreciated.

Callers report roads impassable in some sections. Corn that was planted will have to be replanted, but very little has been planted. It is time for planting cotton, but the ground is too wet and cold for cotton planting.

Among the number calling to renew or subscribe or sending in their renewals and subscriptions since last issue are the following:

Mrs. J. J. Porter, Lovelady Rt. 2.
B. A. Maxwell, Palestine.
C. G. Lansford, Crockett.
Mrs. Walter Driskell, Crockett.
Texas Contractor, Dallas.
T. B. Collins, Dallas.
W. R. Lewis, Crockett Rt. 7.
J. E. Harrison, Kennard Rt. 1.
J. B. West, Kennard Rt. 1.
J. M. Carlton, Crockett Rt. 5.
George W. Hayslip, Crockett Rt. 4.
T. L. Knox, Lovelady Rt. 2.

SOME NEWS OF THE CROCKETT OIL FIELD

The Driskell well near Crockett has been out of wood as a result of boggy roads. The roads have been fixed, however, and a supply of wood laid in. Drilling at a depth of 3300 feet is expected to be resumed this week. Casing has been set and rat-tailing for the pay-sand will be started.

Work in the Porter well will be resumed as soon as another rig can be procured. Mr. Porter's present plan is to go down around the drill stem that is stuck in the well and pull it out. What he does not pull out he will sidetrack and drill around. He will not abandon the well with the drill stem in it as some have seemed to think.

Teachers' Meeting.

The primary teachers of the Methodist Sunday school met in a delightful social and business meeting Friday afternoon, April 13, at the home

of Mrs. A. S. Nelson in west Crockett.

All the teachers realize what benefit is to be derived from these meetings and make a special effort to be present.

After the business program we had the devotional. Subject: "The Humanity of Christ."

It is our motive to do something for some one each month of this year, and our April gift was a beautiful luncheon set presented to our pastor's wife, Mrs. E. A. Maness, who very graciously accepted in her charming way. After this we enjoyed a delightful repast, from the hand of our hostess, assisted by Mrs. Jno. Murray, which consisted of chicken salad, wafers, tea and sandwiches.

Such a fine time was enjoyed that the teachers hope to meet with Mrs. Nelson again soon. Reporter.

FARMERS FORSAKE PLOWS FOR CITY, U. S. REPORT SAYS

Washington, April 13.—A decrease during 1922 of approximately 460,000 persons in the agricultural population of the United States was reported today by the department of agriculture, which said its figures were based on a survey of 10,000 representative farms and groups of farms. The estimate, which included not merely workers, but men, women and children living on farms, showed a decrease of about 1.5 per cent from the 1920 census, which placed the agricultural population in rural districts at 31,359,000 persons.

The population movement away from the farm, the department stated, was strongest in the Pacific States, while the percentage was greater than the average for the entire country in the West, South, Central and New England States as well as in the Pacific group.

The movement from farms to towns and cities last year was estimated at about 2,000,000 persons, offset in part by the shift of approximately 880,000 persons from towns and cities to farms. This left, it was pointed out, a net shift from farms to urban centers of about 1,120,000 persons, or about 3.6 per cent of the rural agricultural population.

THREE GENERALS OF CONFEDERACY STILL SURVIVING

Columbia, S. C., April 15.—According to a story which appeared in the Columbia State today there are two other brigadier generals of the Confederate army surviving besides Brigadier General Felix H. Robertson of Texas. These are General John M. McCausland of Point Pleasant, W. Va., and General Thomas Benton Smith of Nashville, Tenn.

According to the State's story, General McCausland is now the ranking survivor of the Confederate army. The information upon which the paper bases its information is given by Alexander S. Salley Jr., secretary of the historical commission office of South Carolina, who investigated references in recent press dispatches from New Orleans during the Confederate reunion to the fact that General Felix Robertson of Texas was "the only surviving general of the Confederate army."

BE A MAN.

Foolish spending is the father of poverty. Do not be ashamed of hard work. Work for the best salaries or wages you can get, but work for half price rather than be idle. Be your own master and do not let society or fashion swallow up your individuality—hat, coat and boots. Do not eat up

ROBBERS STICK UP POKER GAME, TAKE \$750, BEAT VICTIM

"Stick 'em up," was the greeting extended by three masked men as they entered a downtown building yesterday morning about 1 o'clock, where eight men were holding a session of poker.

The players quickly obeyed and the robbers immediately went to work searching the victims for money. The haul netted \$750 from the eight men. One of the men in the room put up a fight when the robbers started to take his money, according to the police, and was taken to John Sealy Hospital with several gashes in his head, where one of the robbers hit him with a gun.

According to the statement made to the police by the man in whose room the robbery took place, they were sitting around the table playing cards when they received the terse command to "Stick 'em up." He stated that one of the men was in the front door of the room, while another had come in the rear door, and when these two had entered a third followed them into the room and superintended the process of searching.

When the men had secured all the funds they ordered their victims to get into another room, where they were locked up. It is thought that the men then departed from the place by way of a back door which leads into the alley.

A queer coincidence to the case was that when the men had released themselves from the room and emerged to the street the first thing that met their eyes was the "Black Maria," coming east of Avenue C. They stopped this and placed the injured man in it and he was rushed to the hospital. Officers Joseph De Rulle and William Ort, who were on the wagon, made a hurried search of the place and reported the matter to Sergeant Jack Ducoff, who, accompanied by Officer Dick Wynn and two of the men in the room, took up the search, which proved futile. The police were still working on the case yesterday.—Galveston News.

TWENTY BILLION DOLLARS PAID BY GERMANS SO FAR

Washington, April 12.—Germany has paid the allies in cash, ships, lands and materials of various kinds a total of one hundred billion marks, gold, equivalent to about twenty billion American dollars, gold, according to figures prepared by the German treasury department and transmitted to Washington.

Included in this total is an allowance for the relinquishment of Alsace-Lorraine. Other items included in the compilation are: for deliveries from material on hand since the armistice, 29,394,000,000 gold marks; payments and deliveries from national capital and current production, 11,113,000,000; cash payments, 2,140,000,000; other payments and deliveries, 3,371,000,000; expenditures and losses within Germany, 19,482,000,000.

or wear out all you earn. Compel your selfish body to spare something for profits saved. Be stingy to your own appetite, but merciful to others' necessities. Help others, and ask no help for yourself. See that you are proud. Let your pride be of the right kind; be too proud to be lazy; too proud to give up without conquering every difficulty; too proud to wear a coat you cannot afford to buy; too proud to be in company that you cannot keep up with in expenses; too proud to lie or steal, or cheat; too proud to be stingy.—Ex.

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R. L. Shivers for dry goods, shoes and notions. tf.

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R. L. Shivers Feed Co. has plenty of corn and other feed. tf.

Ben Hearne of Palestine was a Crockett visitor Sunday.

Mrs. B. F. Spruce of Dallas is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Herrin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Foster of Palestine were Crockett visitors this week.

See R. L. Shivers for the famous Texas Maid cultivator. tf.

Go to R. L. Shivers for prices on all kinds of groceries. tf.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Asher and son Harvey visited friends in Houston last week.

Mrs. B. L. Ayers of Fayetteville, Ark., is visiting her sister, Miss Lena Woodson.

Let J. M. McGee fill your next bill of groceries. Free delivery to any part of the city. 1t.

Guy Lansford and Louis Durst were at home the first of the week from A. & M. College.

If you want your dollar to go farther, see J. M. McGee for prices on groceries and feeds. 1t.

W. E. Hail will leave Sunday for New Orleans to undergo a complicated surgical operation.

Female Masonry

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Misses Helen Scowden and Wilma Terrell of Conroe will arrive Sunday to visit Misses Marjorie and Sue Morrison.

Mrs. Burgess, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Frankie Edmiston, left Wednesday afternoon for her home in Virginia.

Mrs. J. H. Painter and Mrs. C. P. O'Bannon returned Friday from Athens, where they attended a Baptist associational meeting.

Eugene Kennedy, Ewing Hail, Johnson Lundy Arledge and Jack Hail attended the Ross Volunteers' ball at A. & M. College this week.

Wanted.

Peas and peanuts. tf.
Jas. S. Shivers.

For Rent.

Suite of rooms for rent. All conveniences. Mrs. Thos. Self. 2t.

For Sale.

My home and Dodge touring car. 2t.
Mrs. S. B. Box.

To see perfectly see Dr. Shelfer at W. P. Bishop's drug store Saturday, April 21st. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, prices right. 2t.

Rev. C. A. Campbell of Salmon, who suffered a broken leg recently, has recovered sufficiently to be in town Saturday, which the Courier notes with pleasure.

The greatest reduction on the largest stock of millinery ever offered at this season of the year. Mrs. Bricker will make the attractive prices beginning Friday, the 20th. 1t.

Room for Rent.

Three rooms suitable for light house-keeping. 2t.
Mrs. S. A. Cook.

Misses Grace Smith and Maude McLean of Longview and Lanier Edmiston and Edward McConnel left Wednesday morning by automobile to attend the Ross Volunteers' ball at A. & M. College.

Lost Purse.

Purse containing \$10.10 in money and other articles. Finder please leave at Courier office and receive reward. 1t.*

No Jury Next Week.

The jury summoned for Monday, April 23, has been excused from service for the week, and need not appear, so the Courier is informed by both the district judge and the clerk.

Methodist Church.

Dr. R. W. Adams of Houston will preach Sunday morning at the Methodist church. Come out and hear him. Owing to the meeting at the Baptist church, there will be no services at night.

Cutler Takes Charge.

Mr. W. T. Cutler, who it was announced last week had received the appointment of postmaster at Crockett, will take charge of the office Thursday of this week. No change in the personnel of the office force is expected.

Bridge Gone.

It was reported in Crockett that the last big rain had washed away the bridge over Hurricane bayou on the Rusk road three miles from Crockett. As there were two bridges at this bayou we have been unable to learn which one it was that was washed away.

B. G. Kilgore Dead.

Mr. B. G. Kilgore of Ratcliff, a lifetime resident of Houston county, died Monday night of last week at 3 o'clock. His death was very sudden and unexpected. It is said that he passed away at perfect ease and by going to sleep. He is survived by seven children, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Thursday by Rev. Aaron Whitehead of near Grapeland.

Try Courier advertisers.

Play Safe

Every medicine chest should contain at least the following articles. If any of these are missing in yours, phone us and we will send it out.

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| Cough Syrup | Unguentine |
| Boric Acid | B. F. I. Powder |
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| Peroxide | Absorbent Cotton |
| Corn Plaster | Alcolave |
| Spirits of Ammonia | Gauze Bandage |
| Vaseline | Fever Thermometer |
| Talcum Powder | Rose Water & Glycerine |

Jno. F. Baker

Drugs and Jewelry

Send It to the Trash Lot.

People living near Crockett are complaining of town people dumping rubbish of all kinds, including tin cans and glass bottles, near their premises. The city has provided a place for dumping refuse of this kind, and it should not be sent out and dumped along the road side or near some one's residence. It shows the right spirit to clean up one's own property, but the wrong spirit to dump the trash onto some one else's property. Send it to the city's trash lot.

A Three-Story Building.

The new Masonic building, to be known as the Masonic Temple, will be three stories high instead of two as erroneously stated in the Courier last week. The word "two" was a misprint, having been intended for "three." The construction of this building, which is to be at the north end of the block west of the court house, is to begin at once. Mr. John Clark of Crockett has the contract. The two buildings adjoining on the south, which also belong to the Masonic lodge, will be one story in height.

MONEY TO LOAN

BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES.
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Married in Crockett.

Mr. S. J. McClellan and Mrs. Esther Vann Moore drove to Crockett Tuesday and were quietly married. They left for a trip to San Antonio and will return to Trinity in a few days and make this city their home.

They have hosts of friends who join the Tribune in extending congratulations.—Trinity Tribune.

Announcement.

I take pleasure in announcing to my friends and the general public that Dr. Shelfer, optometrist of Dallas, will be with me again Saturday, April 21st. Phone us for appointment, and call early as possible, as he will be with us one day only this trip. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, prices right. 2t.
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Thousands of other women have had similar experiences in the use of Cardui, which has brought relief where other medicines had failed.

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LOWER RATE MEANS REVENUE INCREASE

Declares That Too High Taxation Hurts Business and Cuts Source of Revenue.

Washington, April 8.—Possible efforts by the treasury to have congress cut the surtax rates on incomes further were forecast tonight in a formal statement by Secretary Mellon, who asserted that March collections of income and profit taxes aggregating \$463,000,000 had fully justified his prediction that downward revision would have the effect of actually increasing rather than decreasing the federal revenue.

Coupled with this statement was a declaration by Mr. Mellon that the March collections, which were under the lowest rates of the new law or "under revision as had been accomplished," provided a practical answer to the tax problem and "shows clearly what course further revision should take." He mentioned that although higher rates were in effect in March, 1922, the collections at the time were \$70,000,000 less than in the same month this year, a circumstance which he regarded as proof that the downward revision had acted as a stimulant to business.

In addition to the reduction in the surtax rates, Mr. Mellon recalled that there had been many other liberalizing provisions included in the present law as compared to the previous act. Yet, he said, in the face of allowances for increased exemptions for dependents, limitations of the tax on capital gains and other simplifying provisions, there had been an increase over the corresponding period a year ago. All of this, he added, makes a significant commentary on the revision urged by the treasury.

"There is no point in maintaining high rates of taxation which do not produce revenue," the secretary continued, "and there is no doubt that the high income tax rates which are still in effect are gradually defeating their own purposes. They create artificial conditions that tend to hamper business and industry and reduce the volume of income tax subject to taxation. The surtax rates, even under the revenue act of 1921 (the present law) rise as high as 50 per cent, giving a combined normal and surtax of 58 per cent and, as the treasury has pointed out in the past, these excessive rates put such heavy pressure on the larger taxpayers to reduce income subject to surtaxes that inevitably they seek every means of avoiding the realization of taxable income.

"The high rates sound productive, but the fact remains that year by year they are becoming increasingly ineffective and are actually operating to reduce rather than increase the government's revenue. I accordingly recommended to the last congress that the surtaxes be reduced to a maximum of 25 per cent, making a maximum normal and surtax of 33 per cent, and that, at the same time, various avenues of escape from the surtaxes be closed as far as possible under the law."

Barney's Good Job.

Henry Ford, who was once in partnership with Barney Oldfield, was accosted some time after dissolution of the brief business arrangement by a friend who said: "Well, Hank, Barney Oldfield helped to make you." Mr. Ford acquiesced, but added: "And I helped to make him." The next time the two ex-partners met the famous racer asked Ford if he had said such a thing and the creator of the flyver readily admitted he had. "Well, all I've got to say," Oldfield returned, "is that if I helped to make you and you helped to make me, I did a lot better job than you did."

ANTI-CIGARETTE RULE DISCUSSED

Three State Leagues Have Anti-Tobacco Eligibility Provision.

There are three state high school athletic leagues in the Union, so far as we have been informed, that include among their eligibility requirements an anti-cigarette rule. These states are Minnesota, North Dakota and Kansas.

The 1921 rule book of the Minnesota organization publishes the rule, as follows:

"He shall use no tobacco nor intoxicating liquors during any part of the school year.

"He shall before participating in any Interscholastic Athletic contest in any branch of athletics sign an official 'information card' declaring himself familiar with the rules of the Association, that he has not used tobacco since the opening of the school year, and that there is no rule, which, to the best of his knowledge, he would violate if permitted to play. These cards, witnessed by the principal or superintendent, shall be sent to the chairman of the district committee who shall send copies of the names of those having so signed to all the schools of the district. Separate cards must be signed for football, basketball, and baseball or track athletes."

The anti-cigarette rule is written into the rules of Kansas State High School Association (1921) as follows:

"No student who uses tobacco in any form during the season of a sport shall be declared eligible to compete in high school athletic contests in that sport."

The anti-cigarette rule of the North Dakota organization taken from the rule book of date November 5, 1919, reads as follows:

"No student shall be able to participate in any League contest who uses tobacco."

It seems that this rule has been in effect in Minnesota for seven years and in Kansas and North Dakota for the last three or four years.—Interscholastic Leaguer.

Overlooked a Bet.

Mrs. Toole was traveling with her son Mike.

Now, Mike was very small for his eighteen years, and so, when the conductor entered the car to examine their tickets, the fond mother took her son on her knee.

"Tickets, please," said the conductor.

Mrs. Toole handed him one ticket.

"Where's his ticket?" asked the conductor, pointing to Mike.

"Sure," was the reply, "he's only an infant, and I didn't get a ticket for him, the craythur."

The official eyed the "infant" for a moment or two, and then, turning to the woman, he remarked:

"The next time you travel by train and take that baby with you I should advise you to have him shaved, as it looks very suspicious."

Possibly a Sad Awakening.

Patient (awakening after a prolonged fever spell)—Where am I; in heaven?

His wife—No, dear; you are here with me.

Save Your Baby Chicks.

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No. 1, Sunshine Special 2:42PM
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No. 2, Sunshine Special 3:13PM
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ALLIES SEIZE MONEY TAKE 82 BILLIONS

Heavy Sentences Are Meted Out—Hope of Closer Friendship With Britain.

Duesseldorf, April 7.—The French have confiscated 80,000,000 marks in unfinished German paper money which they found at the printing plant in Mulheim of the General Anzeiger. At the same time Belgian troops seized 2,000,000,000 marks in paper money.

Ober-Burgomaster Schaefer of Essen, who appealed from the sentence of two years' imprisonment and 5,000,000 marks fine for resisting French regulations concerning the requisitioning of automobiles, was sent to Saarbrücken today with several other prisoners to serve time. On his appeal Schaefer's sentence was increased to three years' imprisonment and a fine of 6,000,000 francs.

Fritz Drum, president of the league Volkspolizei of Essen, was given a five-year prison sentence and a 5,000,000 francs fine for carrying on propaganda activities.

Herr Schoafer was arrested in February on a charge of refusing to supply French troops with automobiles and coal. For this he was sentenced to two years in jail and was fined 10,000,000 marks. He appealed. The second court marshal stated that it recognized the existence of extenuating circumstances in Herr Schaefer's case, but decided nevertheless upon a sterner sentence.

Some Postscripts.

The port of Seattle boasts of two of the largest piers in the world.

The Pacific Northwest has 300 logging camps, employing 150,000 workers.

The Chinese word for "hash" is the longest and most difficult word to pronounce in the language.

It is an old superstition among actors that eminent members die in groups of three. For five hours after he ceased to breathe, the heart of a patient in an English hospital continued to beat.

With a salary of \$8000 a year, Miss Frances Perkins, the newly appointed member of the State industrial commission, is the highest paid woman official in the State of New York.

'RED FLAG' CHANT CLOSING PARLIAMENT IN A WILD RIOT

LABOR PARTY BENT ON DRIVING CABINET DOWN TO DEFEAT.

London, April 11.—"The Red Flag," official chant of Soviet Russia, was raised in a mighty chorus today in the world's supposed bulwark of conservative government, the British house of commons.

Bowing in defeat to the uproar the speaker ordered adjournment of the chamber until tomorrow. The adjournment interrupted the government's effort to obtain the adoption of a motion similar to the one which it was defeated last night.

Prior to the adjournment a riot of noise by the laborites caused the speaker to suspend the sitting for an hour.

As the members left a Scottish labor member angrily addressed Ormsby-Gore, conservative, and struck him with an order paper. The Englishman grapple with the Scotchman and other members were obliged to separate them.

The whole floor of the Pacific ocean is sinking, according to one noted scientist. The largest displacement of this kind on record occurred in 1899, when the fall was 47 feet.

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**MAN WITH LEFT ARM
 SHOT AWAY CHASES
 NEGRO, DYING LATER**

Temple, Tex., April 12.—Gip Twitty, 21 years old, former Temple High School boy was fatally wounded by a negro on his mother's farm near Lockhart yesterday afternoon, will be buried here tomorrow as the hero of an encounter that was marked by unusual courage and daring on his part.

According to word reaching here Twitty called at the home of a negro tenant farmer Wednesday and asked the negro, whose name has not been learned here, to chop some wood for him. The negro refused, complained of financial conditions and asked Twitty to buy his crop. Twitty told him he could not do that, but explained that if he would sell to another party the deal would be satisfactory to him as landlord.

This angered the negro, it is said, who rushed into the house, returned with a shotgun and fired at Twitty at close range, the charge tearing his left arm away. Twitty then made a lunge for his assailant, who fled. The chase extended across a 100-acre field, the negro finally winning the race. The young man then walked nearly a mile to the home of his mother, who carried him to Lockhart in an automobile for surgical aid, where he died Wednesday night.

Austin, Tex., April 12.—Walter Roberts, 31 years old, negro, said to have killed Gip Twitty, farmer, near

Lockhart Wednesday, was fleeing before a posse headed by the sheriff and deputies from Lockhart tonight. All officers were out on the hunt from Lockhart, and late reports said that they were at Dale, a village east of Lockhart. Earlier reports said that the officers expected to catch the negro tonight.

**EIGHT OF EACH 100
 AIR FLIERS PERISH**

Mineola, N. Y., April 12.—Eight army aviators out of every 100 were killed outright and two incapacitated from further duty each year during the period of 1919 to 1922, according to statistics made public today at Mitchell field, army air service base.

Practicing of "stunts" for combat and pursuit training and hazardous experiments in formation flying by the army air men were responsible for many of the casualties, it was said. Commercial aeronautics where only straight flying was done, was less hazardous. One firm operating 27 airplanes carried more than 9000 passengers 117,000 miles through the air without a single casualty, it was reported.

The army aviators, because of the hazards of their service, are endeavoring to obtain through congress a single promotion list for the air service and earlier age of retirement for army pilots.

Although the screw was an ancient Greek invention, the screw used to fasten wood first came into use about 200 years ago.

**BISHOP DECLARES
 CHURCHES NEED
 RADICAL THOUGHT**

Omaha, Nebr., April 12.—Plain talks on the short-comings of modern churches were indulged in here today at the fourth annual educational conference of the Episcopal church. Rev. William E. Gardner, secretary of the department of religious education of the national council of the church, declared the Sunday school obsolete as an educational institution and advocated the substitution of week day religious instruction for children.

The sensation, which this created among the Episcopal churchmen present, had not yet subsided, when the Right Rev. Ernest V. Shayler, bishop of Nebraska, voiced his opinion that if Dr. Gardner's remarks had a radical trend, it was time that a little radicalism was injected into the church.

The bishop laid severe strictures on the type of minister that has grown up in the church.

"The minister with the effeminate manner, the pious voice, that one who exalts superficialities into actualities of whom ecclesiastical eccentricity is a trademark, who radiates at afternoon teas and finds his chief recreation at a matinee or at the movies, is not a manly man to win manly boys," the bishop declared.

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What the Former A. & M. President Writes in the Rusk County News.

GOV. T. M. CAMPBELL.

The death of Tom Campbell deprives Texas of a man whose public life has been conspicuous for its ability and achievements. As Governor of Texas he stood for well defined issues, and their justness appealed to the voters in a manner so forcible that it was easy to get a majority of the Legislature in harmony with those issues.

When he had finished his opening speech at Athens, a prominent politician remarked to the writer: "That speech will elect Campbell governor provided he can get it into the hands of the voters."

It did elect him and when he went before the convention at Dallas he and his friends dominated it and wrote the platform, and nearly every plank in it was enacted into law.

Many of the measures affected labor, whose champion Campbell had been from the time when he worked at a saw mill for daily wages. During all his experience as Master in Chancery, receiver and manager of the I. & G. N. Railroad he was an outstanding friend of the employees, and when he ran for governor they supported him almost to a man, and as long as he lived the Labor Unions of this State stood ready to render

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Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the

First Guaranty State Bank

AT WELDON.

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 3rd day of April, 1923, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 19th day of April, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$68,531.91
Loans, real estate	2,000.00
Overdrafts	400.88
Thrift Stamps	.75
Real Estate (banking house)	2,695.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,900.00
Due from other banks and bankers and cash on hand	14,496.60
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,276.14
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,066.35
Other Resources - Warrants	628.62
Total	\$93,966.25

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 16,000.00
Surplus Fund	4,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	693.40
Individual Deposits, subject to check	49,011.26
Time Certificates of Deposit	23,985.55
Cashier's Checks	276.04
Total	\$93,966.25

State of Texas, County of Houston:
We, W. D. James, as vice president, and L. K. Hinson, as assistant cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

L. K. HINSON, Asst. Cashier.

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him any service in their power.

Among the important measures of his administration are the Robertson Insurance Law, the Full Rendition Law and the Guaranty Fund required of the State Banks. These laws appealed to every fair-minded voter in Texas, and if the Full Rendition Law were enforced the tax rate would be greatly reduced and the burdens of taxation would be equal and uniform, as the Constitution declares they should be.

The tax rate was reduced during his administration to the lowest figure in the history of the State, and yet more money was appropriated to the State schools and other public institutions than by any former administration. The penitentiaries were self-sustaining, the laws uniformly enforced, a spirit of repose and confidence as to State affairs prevailed throughout Texas, and never was there the breath of suspicion of any wrong at the Capitol.

Campbell's place in history will stand among the really great governors of Texas. He came of sturdy stock, and was reared in an atmosphere of the greatest and best men of Texas. He was the second native to hold the office of governor, Hogg being the first. The two were born in Cherokee county, and grew up in the same environment, and each fashioned and hewed out his own destiny. Although Hogg was a few years Campbell's senior there was a comradeship and a friendship between the two that grew and strengthened as they advanced in years. Rarely a Sunday passed during Gov. Campbell's stay at Austin that he did not unostentatiously visit Hogg's grave and spread upon it some choice flowers as a token of that friendship and esteem born in the red hills of Eastern Texas and cultivated throughout their lives. It was on one of those Sunday missions that Campbell told the writer a great many interesting events and incidents in the early life of Hogg, the most interesting of which was the cause of the turning point in the great Commoner's life.

Campbell was a courageous man, but cautious and considerate as prudence and wisdom led the way. He was a true patriot, devoted to his native State, and the great Nation of which his State is a member, but beyond and above all the lands of the earth most dear and near to him were the charming hill and dales of Eastern Texas. Here he desired to live, surrounded by the friends and the scenes of his youth. Here he desired that his body should rest when the spirit was gone.

Devotion to his family, devotion to his friends and loyalty to his country and steadfast convictions were the leading characteristics in his life.

It was his conviction that the public official who serves the plain man best serves his country best, and that the greatest eulogy that could be paid him was that he was the friend of honest toil.

THEY ARE STILL UNDER THE YOKE.

European countries do not crave free government. From their beginning they have concentrated their power in small minorities. Long years of ignorance and superstition will work to the establishment of one idea in a people. One religion, one unchangeable form of government, opposition to progress, caste—these seem to be the ruling sentiments of most nations upon the earth—and any steps toward the establishment of a democracy confuse them, and like the scriptural hog, they are constantly returning to their wallow.

When Otanes, Megabyzus and Darius met to decide the kind of government they would set up for the Persians, each defined the particular kind of government he desired, with as much force and clearness as any modern statesman could do.

Otanes, who was a thorough Democrat, advanced this idea: "We should commit the government to the Persians at large. It appears that no one of us should hence forward be a monarch, for it is neither agreeable nor good; for you know to what pitch the insolence of Cambyses reached, and you have experienced the insolence of the magus; and, indeed, how can a monarchy be a well-constituted government? Wherever one man is allowed to do whatever he pleases without control. For if even the best of men were placed in such power, he would depart from his wonted thoughts; for insolence is engendered in him by the advantages that surround him, and envy is implanted in man from his birth and having these

two, he has every vice; for puffed up by insolence, he commits many nefarious actions and others through envy.

"One would think that a man who holds sovereign power should be free from every envy, since he possesses every advantage; but the contrary to this takes place in his conduct toward the citizens, for he envies the best who continue to live and delights in the worst men of the nation; he very readily listens to calumny, and is the most inconsistent of all men; for if you show him respect in moderation, he is offended because he is not sufficiently honored; and if any one honors him very much he is offended as with a flatterer. But I proceed to relate what is most important.

"He changes the institutions of our ancestors, violates women and puts men to death without trial. But a popular government bears the fairest name of all, equality of rights; and secondly, is guilty of none of those excesses that a monarch is. The magistrate obtains his office by lot, and exercises it under responsibility, and refers all plans to the public. I therefore give my opinion that we should do away with monarchy, and exalt the people, for in the many all things are found."

Thus spoke Otanes some five hundred years before Christ. But by intrigue and fraud Darius cheated him out of his plans, set up a monarchy, and still the people of the old world, owing to their ignorance and superstition, have bowed to the yoke imposed by masters.

It remained for Jefferson and his co-adjutors, over 2000 years after Otanes had passed from the earth and was buried in oblivion, to set up the kind of government the like of which the ancient philosophers seemed to have longed for. And until the masses of Europeans are able to appreciate and understand self-government, nothing that we can do will make Democracy safe for them.

To give Democracy to those not ready for it is like putting children in charge of a chemical laboratory.

A LAW FOR EVERY EVIL.

Legislation will not cure the evils of the country. The crying need of society is a higher order of conduct upon the part of the individuals who compose society. There is such a thing as regulating the very life out of the individual, thus destroying moral responsibility and respect for the law. Federal aid, State aid, county aid and precinct aid by law requires a larger legal force, more and more official authority, more and more taxation to keep the machinery going until all laws become odious and all taxes repulsive, and patriotism dwindles and dies. Laws both State and National are becoming so numerous, and the machinery to enforce them is becoming so irksome that honest, thinking people are beginning to tremble as the situation grows worse. It is "aid," "aid," all the time, aid by law, bureaus, matching Federal appropriations with State appropriations—"fifty-fifty,"—and at last when all the taxes and expense are paid up the plain people, the real producers of the earth, have just enough hope and energy left to curse out the government and to wonder what the fools and demagogues will try next. While all this is going on men of wealth are investing their surplus dollars by the billions in non-taxable values, thus exempting themselves from any taxes toward the support of the government, and laughing themselves hoarse at the "devils" that must toil to support the government and at the same time pay the interest on the non-taxable securities. Even Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury at Washington, is becoming alarmed at the way rich men are escaping taxation.

MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT LIVE ISSUE.

If the members of the legislature who forced through the recent session the medical practice act thought they had definitely disposed of the question of freedom of the people to have the benefit of such methods of healing as they choose, they were grievously mistaken.

Writing this discriminatory measure into the statute books of Texas has only served to arouse the resentment of a great many people who previously had experienced no interest in the question, one way or another. It is apparent that the question of health freedom is a lively issue in this State. The mass meeting of Houston citizens to protest against



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the act is just one evidence of popular disapproval. No doubt, the people of the other cities will meet in similar assemblies to voice their protest against this intrusion upon their rights.

However much the proponents of the law contend that it removes discrimination from all schools of healing by compelling all to meet an identical test, the truth is that by that very provision it creates an unjust discrimination that not only affects the healers of those schools, but deprives countless numbers of citizens of the services of those whom they regard as necessary for the protection of their health and well-being. The discrimination is thus of a double nature.

The fallacy in the position of those who support the law is that the test places all on the plane of equality—for some of the healers do not concern themselves, in their practice of healing, with the factors considered in the test. Pursuing methods altogether different from the so-called orthodox school of medical practitioners, there is no reason why non-medical healers should be compelled to meet the test that such practitioners require or prescribe.

The further contention by the proponents of the law that it is required to protect the public, involves the arrogant assumption that there is no healing outside the particular methods employed by the medical profession. Dropping for the moment, the consideration of the principle of liberty and equality involved in the whole matter, this latter assumption is untenable.

At best it is merely a matter of

opinion of one class against the experience of another. There was once a blind man sitting by the gate of an ancient city when a Young Man of extremely orthodox views and practices passed by, and taking compassion upon the unfortunate, forthwith opened his eyes. Certain of the Pharisees refused to believe, especially since the healer was a sinner, which being interpreted, means he was not of their sect. But the man who had been healed was in no mood to question the method used.

He answered and said: "Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not; one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see." Here it was the experience of one who had profited, against the opinion of those who could see no good outside their own circle.

For those to whom the elemental principle of equality of all before the law is not sufficient, surely the experience and testimony of thousands of trustworthy citizens regarding the benefits of non-medical healing, should be regarded.

There is much evidence to support the view that the legislature passed this measure before many of the members were thoroughly conversant with what was involved in it. Out of such meetings as was held in Houston there should come light to reveal to the legislature the mistake it has made. It is the duty of the citizens, who are zealous of their rights, regardless of what method of healing they believe in, to aid in putting the matter before the legislature in its true light. It should not be difficult then to have the act amended in a way to remove the discriminatory provisions.—Houston Post.

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BACK TO FUNDAMENTALS.

In a sermon delivered by Dr. Jewell D. ... in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, recently there was one passage which is worthy of serious thought in every home and in every legislature of the country. The minister said:

"We have passed some sixty thousand laws, I am told, in the last three years. But it is pure evasion. No more laws but more obedience to law is what we need. The cure for this thing is a return to the faith of our fathers who taught their children the fundamental principles of right and wrong, believing that it was better to put a censor in the soul of the child than to hire a censor to sit in judgment for him."

It is a lamentable truth that while we have more laws regulating individual conduct than ever before in the history of the nation, we have lower moral standards and less obedience to law.

There is a law for every evil, real and imaginary, but a desperately weak sentiment for individual observance of any law that contravenes individual desire.

To a greater extent than the American people like to admit, the home has abdicated in favor of the school and the church, and the school and the church in favor of the legislature.

Interests outside the home claim such a large share of the time and energy of many parents in this new day that they find not only desirable, but necessary, to delegate their duties and responsibilities to their children to other agencies. The day school and the Sunday school are crowded with children undergoing an elaborate course of instruction, but excellent as these institutions are, they can not substitute in the vital things for the home.

And the modern idea that the legislative body is a sort of executive agency of the church and the professional reformers is as fallacious as it is vicious. Neither sixty thousand laws, nor seven times sixty thousand laws, are capable of changing individual character.

"Put the censor in the soul," as Dr. Hillis admonishes, and there will be no occasion for the employment of an army of government censors to decide for the individual citizen what is right and what is wrong. The same advice was given some thousands of years ago by the wise man who said, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

The American people profess to be profound believers in the principle of separation of church and state. Yet the church, in calling in the state so frequently to enforce its teachings, is permitting a dangerous invasion of a province peculiarly its own, and encouraging an amalgamation of these two institutions that not only menaces individual liberty, but weakens the moral fiber of the people.

"Put the censor in the soul" is a ringing challenge to the American people and the American

church. In it is expressed the old-time religion, and the old-time Americanism, upon which this nation was founded.—Houston Post.

OUTRAGING DECENCY.

Professional "wets" have gone too far for a New York magistrate, who has held that a painting by Francois Kaufman exhibited by the Society of Independent Artists, is an outrage to public decency. The painting represents William Jennings Bryan pouring out wine that Christ had made from water. A figure of Christ stands in the background of the picture and at the side are portraits of Andrew J. Volstead, author of the prohibition enforcement law which bears his name, and William H. Anderson, superintendent of the New York Anti-saloon league. The painting is entitled, "Father, Forgive Them, for They Know Not What They Do."

Magistrate Ryttenberg, before whom the case was brought, held that although the picture was plainly sacrilegious there was no statute under which punishment could be inflicted for that reason. He ruled, however, that the offense was covered by the law which says that any persons who wilfully outrages public decency is guilty of a misdemeanor. The secretary of the society of artists will be held for trial.

The saloon was banished from America because the liquor interests were not content with what they had. Since prohibition became the law of the land every scheme known to man has been utilized in an effort to discredit the law and bring those who enforce it into disrepute. Such things as the Kaufman picture, while admittedly an outrage to decency, may ultimately do more good than harm. If they bring the public to a realization of the means by which the "wets" seek to undermine the constitution, a healthy reaction is expected to follow. Gradually the opinion is being generally shared that one fundamental law can not be disregarded without bringing all law to a point where enforcement is impossible. Enforcement of the prohibition law in almost any community is a matter determined by public opinion and the honesty of the public officials. Such vulgar attempts to influence opinion as the Kaufman painting are sure to bring a reaction that will result in general good.—Indianapolis News.

THE GENTLE ART OF CENSORING.

Of 43 persons who took the civil service examination in Chicago for the newly-created office of motion picture censor, none received a passing grade. All of them were below 70.

Some of the questions asked of applicants were hardly definite enough to be consistently answered in less than a lengthy dissertation upon the motion picture industry and its relation to public morals. Other questions were so ridiculous as to preclude possibility of a sensible answer; for instance:

"What is the meaning of the word immoral, as applied to motion pictures?"

"What sort of moving pictures would tend to create contempt or hatred for a particular class of law-abiding citizens?"

"Would you sanction the showing of a writhing snake prominently shown in a motion picture scene?"

"Should a picture be shown that depicts a person administering a hypodermic injection which results in death? Give your reasons."

"Would it be harmful to any class of people to exhibit a scene showing a burglar opening a money safe either by drilling or by the use of explosives and effacing all evidence of finger prints?"

The obvious weakness of the questions is that they all betray the framers of them, who deem themselves qualified to censor movies, and are thus in the peculiar position of censoring the

censor. Beyond that, however, it is apparent most of the questions quoted could have been answered by "it depends."

The gentle art of censoring has been given a new lease on life by the movies. Censorship always must be affected from one or two angles. It must be motivated by what the censor, individually, believes is right, or he must seek to understand public morality and interpret that for producers so they do not outrage it upon the screen. In either event, it could not arbitrarily set up rules before problems are brought to it.—Peoria Transcript.

PATERNALISM IN NEW ROLE.

Consternation reigns among the married men on the payroll of the city of New Orleans, if the news reports are to be believed, since the municipal finance commissioner ordered that pay checks of all city employes be sent direct to their homes. How those who have been "holding out on the wife" are going to avoid exposure, or get possession of the family income again, is a problem to them.

The commissioner's new policy is creating amusement outside of municipal circles. It is regarded as coming under the head of jokes on marriage. The discomfiture of the deceitful old victims among the married men is mirth-provoking.

Still, it has its serious side. The little scheme of the commissioner's may not amount to a great deal in itself, but it is another illustration of the spirit of paternalism in government. Strictly speaking, it is none of the business of the commissioner of finance of New Orleans or the municipality, what arrangement an employe may have for dividing his income with his family. That is a family affair. The municipality has the right, of course, to mail pay checks to the homes of its employes, but to the extent that it is done to regulate family affairs of employes, it is exceeding its authority, and perverting the purpose of municipal government.

This particular scheme for extending the protecting wing of the government over the family life should occasion no surprise. With the municipal, State and Federal governments working over time devising new ways to restrict the liberty of the individual, to standardize him, and make him a subject rather than a citizen, anything may be expected that an eccentric official vested with power may propose.

Apparently, the American people love this abundance of regulation. They are paying well for it.—Houston Post.

Chappy Laborites, y'Know, Now Cavorting With Tennis.

London, April 8.—Socialism in its shirtsleeves, lobbing a tennis ball over the elegant courts of the even more elegant country estate of the countess of Warwick, is the newest picture of the lighter side of the British labor movement.

It is a picture that may be appropriately placed alongside that other famous closeup, wherein labor's spokesman in the house of commons dons the royal feed bag, so to speak, sticks his feet under the mahogany at Buckingham Palace and remarks to King George: "Excellent vintage, sir; a bit dry, perhaps, but very good."

The countess of Warwick, who owns 20,000 acres and has bales of sterling to her private account, has formally handed over to the labor party her Essex mansion, known as Easton Lodge. Despite her incumbrances of material wealth, the countess has pronounced liberal tendencies, and she conceived the idea that labor should have its own country headquarters for the holding of a week-end political conference. Also it would be a place for labor, as a party, to relax.

The countess still has her own Warwick castle, so well known to American tourists, and a few

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other homes scattered over England.

So labor has formally accepted the gift of Easton Lodge from the new Lady Bountiful. In doing so the laborites celebrated the occasion with a few matches on the plutocratic tennis court, and got their pictures in all the Sunday papers, just like Lady Whoosis following the hounds of Sir Gerald Gelatine negotiating a difficult brassie shot.

Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodges and Mr. Clynes went down to Essex to officiate at the taking-over ceremony. Amidst the lovely gardens, with fountains spraying here and there on velvet green terraces, the ceremony marked another step by the British labor party along the conventional paths of the old governing classes.

Arthur Henderson, secretary of the labor party, and Frank Hodges, the miners' leader, were up early, bound for the tennis courts. Next the reader sees them in shirt sleeves, but retaining their vests, stiff standing collars and other accoutrements of ordinary proletarian dress, but all ready for action. Lady Mary Greville, daughter of the

countess of Warwick, plays with them, but she is dressed in the natty sports costume associated with the ladies of the English aristocracy.

Labor announces that it intends to make frequent use of its new week-end resort and England is betting that the next time labor has its picture taken it will be garbed in smart tweed knickerbockers or neatly pressed white flannels.

The renewal of hostilities by the Poles against Jews, since the execution of the Catholic vicar general in Russia, grows out of the belief that the execution was inspired by Jews high in the soviet government. While it is true that many of the leaders in bolshevism in Russia are Jewish, the whole Jewish people can not be rightly held responsible for what individuals from among them do. The Jews as a people are not bolshevists. It is as foolish as it is wicked for the Poles to vent their rage against the acts of the Russian soviet government on their Jewish fellow citizens. The Poles will make no friends in enlightened quarters by such a course.—Houston Post.

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Don't fail to see the special lot of ladies' hats, formerly sold from \$7.50 to \$10.00, now \$4.95 at the 1t. Vogue Millinery.

Miss Beth Lundy, teaching at Jacksonville, and Miss Mary Spence, teaching at Lovelady, spent the week-end with relatives and friends in Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ponder and little daughter of Houston are spending a few weeks with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ponder, at Oakland, west of Crockett.

Hon. N. B. Barbee and granddaughter, Miss Marjorie Morrison, returned Sunday afternoon from New Orleans where they attended the Confederate veterans' reunion.

Baptist Church.

The revival continues at the Baptist church. If you are not attending, you are specially urged to do so.

For Sale.

Two registered Jersey bull calves, 4 and 8 months old. 2t. A. W. Ellis.

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Mrs. Billie Parker.

Mrs. Billie Parker, 22 years of age, died at her home at Augusta Monday and was buried Tuesday, leaving many friends and relatives to mourn her departure. The Courier joins in extending condolence to the bereaved.

Plenty of Moisture.

Farmers report an abundance of moisture not only in the ground, but on top of the ground as well. One would have to dig deep to find dry soil these days. Mud holes are plentiful and as many as six automobiles have been seen stuck in a single hole at one time.

Survey for Paving.

The survey for paving the public square and the streets to the Baptist and Methodist church corners, also the street to the railroad station, was begun last week as announced. A civil engineer from Fort Worth, assisted by local engineers, is making the survey.

For Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Brooke is leaving Friday for Oklahoma City where she has arranged to take special instruction from America's foremost china decorator and designer, Walter Karl Titze, who is spending a week in each of the larger cities of the south, specializing in enamel etching and lustres. After taking advantage of this rare opportunity, she will continue her teaching here.

Crowd Waiting for Trolley is Struck By Automobile.

Pittsfield, Mass., April 15.—A speeding automobile tonight crashed into a crowd of people waiting for a trolley car here, killing two persons almost instantly, seriously injuring two more and carrying away a 3-year-old child, presumably on the bumper.

William Jason and Mildred Holt were killed and Mrs. William Jason and David Read were severely injured.

The missing baby is the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason.

According to the motorman of the trolley car which was approaching the stopping place, the automobile contained a man and woman in the front seat.

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Crockett, Texas. tf.

County Examinations.

Some confusion has arisen in regard to examinations. Mr. Marrs recently announced that there would be no examinations in May. He has reconsidered and now announces an examination for May 4th and 5th. There will also be an examination in June unless we receive a later notification to the contrary.

Mrs. Gertie Sallas,
County Superintendent.

Return from Galveston.

Mrs. Corinne N. Corry and Mr. John Milliff returned from Galveston last week, having been charmingly entertained for a few days by Judge and Mrs. F. A. Williams and family. Among other things planned for their pleasure was the Galli Curci concert and a drive of thirty-two miles across

the bay to Clear Lake, one of the summer resorts for the Galveston people.

Bro. Jno. Owens of the Trinity Tribune is still hungering and thirsting for a courthouse. He points out the obvious convenience to some sections of a courthouse being closer to them and, of course, it would be real convenient if there was one of the things at every cross roads and forkhand. Perhaps some of these days we will even go that one better by inaugurating some kind of court service on the R. F. D. plan, and none of us have to go to court at all. He doesn't think, if he gets his new county, that they will burden the people with a very expensive courthouse, but then that is something that perhaps not even the angels in heaven know to a certainty. But it is entirely obvious that some very considerable expense along this line would be encountered, to say nothing of the salaries of a complete bunch of county officials, all of which would have to be paid for by the people within a territory already burdened with those things. The fact of additional expense is a fact that can't be reasoned or argued out of existence; it's a fact that's "thar." We'd love to give Johnny a nice new courthouse to play with, for he's a good old boy, but somehow we are impressed with the idea that he really doesn't need it so bad as he thinks he does.—Groveton News.

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THE ROADS IN OUR TOWN.

By H. S. Osborne.

"Bumpy-bump," groaned the safety treads,
 "Rattlety-bang!" cried the brake.
 "It's a terrible thing," then squeaked the spring,
 "An all-day sort of a shake!"
 "Oh, where are we going?" the engine cried.
 "My head is a-throbbing to burst!"
 "I'll give it my veto," declared the magneto,
 "This road's absolutely the worst!"

"Not much of a lark," then sputtered the spark,
 "It's enough to drive one into fits!"
 "It's nothing but jar," cried the floor of the car,
 "I declare I am shaken to bits!"
 "They ought to know better," remarked the carburetor,
 "This talking of fixing them's bunk!"
 "Unless the road menders," chimed in all the fenders,
 "Get busy—we shall all be junk!"

"I say this is fierce!" exclaimed a big Pierce;
 "Worse than that," cried the Dodge, "if you please."
 "Now tell me, what maker," put in Studebaker,
 "Expected conditions like these?"
 The Overland hurried—"I'm nervous and flurried,
 I tell you, it's far from a joke!"
 "What a terrible fix," said a new Super-Six,
 "If the roads caused us all to go broke!"

A Buick muttered—"They're horribly rutted
 And full of big holes; at this rate they will soon cease to be—" "Roads at all, we can see."
 Interrupted a Cadillac 8,
 "I think it is, really," began a big Vellie;
 "You're right, I am sure," said a Paige;
 "I know how you feel," cried the Locomobile,
 "I almost boil over with rage!"

"Enforce Dipping Law," Urges Texas Judge.

"Don't let any man be arbitrary enough to think he can go out and blow up a vat and stop the functioning of the whole government," said District Judge Hugh Carney, in charging the grand jury of Cass county recently.

Judge Carney expressed hesitancy above mentioning the cattle dipping law because of the fact that several vats had been blown up in the county following his charge to the grand jury in 1921, and again 14 vats were blown up following this occasion in 1922. Since that time, however, a conviction had been obtained in his court, and the sentence had been upheld by the Criminal Court of Appeals, and no more violations or acts of violence against the dipping law are expected in Cass county, Texas.

Judge Carney said further: "We have a new inspector this year and I urge the people to meet him over halfway and do the right thing. At first we didn't believe we could ever get rid of the fever ticks, but it is my understanding that at the close of last year's dipping season there were only 47 herds of cattle in the county infested with the tick. Let every man be a good citizen and enforce the law."

BUSINESS SHOWING MORE IMPROVEMENT

MILLS SPEEDING UP, GROWING DEMAND EVIDENT, EXPERT SAYS.

Wellesley Hills, Mass., April 14—Roger W. Babson is very optimistic on the immediate outlook. Since returning from his inspection trip he has been going through the mass of reports and figures which accumulated on his desk during his absence. These statistics are even more encouraging than he had anticipated.

"American business has certainly waked up!" according to the statistician. "The Babsonchart showed nearly 4,000,000 men out of employment a year ago. Today it shows practically no unemployment. Where the blast furnaces were then being banked, new furnaces are now being started and premiums being paid for prompt steel deliveries. The copper industry is showing activity for the first time for several years, and many of the miners have been given a wage increase of 50c a day. Building is still booming and the 1923 figures will exceed any previous year, notwithstanding the big volume of 1922."

Mills Speeding Up.
 "The most remarkable change in sentiment I find right at home here in New England. A year ago the mills were cutting wages and great numbers of workers were out on strike. Today the mills are working overtime and the largest concerns are advancing wages. Of course, this is an unhealthy sign for the long pull because it is due only to the artificial barrier on immigration. On the other hand, increased wages are a great temporary stimulus to trade. The purchasing power of many cities is simply the total of these cities' pay rolls. Increasing wages in New England's mills of 12 1/2 per cent increases the purchasing power of the communities to almost a corresponding amount. This means that the manufacturing center will—during 1923—be the best places to send salesmen, because most wage workers spend all they get. Moreover, such salesmen should be sent to these cities at once, because the present boom can not be long lived. It is not based on a firm foundation. Many of these men now getting an increase in their wages will be out of work before 1924 is ended."

"While coming north last week from my winter home at Mountain Lake in the beautiful Ridge Lake section of Florida, I saw cotton being planted in Georgia. It is evident that the South is very happy with the present price of cotton and that a larger acreage will be planted in 1923. Corn planting has started in the Southwest and the seeding of oats is seen throughout the South and Southwest. Winter wheat, doubtless, was killed to some extent last month in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky; but these fields will soon be replanted—for even the farmer is feeling better in spite of the fact that he is not yet out of the woods. His great difficulty was that the price of what he had to sell went down so much more than the price of what he had to buy. What the farmer wants is higher produce prices or lower merchandise prices. Now to have merchandise prices go up still higher in 1923, as everything indicates will be the case, the farmers must get higher prices for their 1923 crops or else there surely will be another collapse in 1924. We can not get good business by disregarding either the multiplication table or the ten commandments."

Bigger Export Business.
 "The Ruhr invasion is also helping spring business over here in America. For the first time in history—except during the war—we are shipping coke to France and Germany. Japan, which had ordered great amounts of steel from Ruhr mills, is now turning to the United States. Europe, which last year had turned again to production, is now busy playing politics and watching the exhibition of a war pageant staged in the Ruhr Valley. While Europe is indulging in this luxury, she must eat and live. Hence, France and Germany are again buying goods in America, as the export figures to be issued shortly by the department of commerce will clearly show. How long this situation will last, no one can tell; but it is helping us here in the United States."

"Spring business is also being in-

creased by the belief that congress will not be in session again until December and then for only a short session. Whatever the motives of our politicians may be, the fact remains that they are a great drag on the prosperity of America. Under our present system of government the only reason we have any prosperity is because of our tremendous natural resources. Our forests, mines, fertile fields and other great gifts of God enable us to afford to indulge in factional legislation and political log-rolling as a pastime. Hence, when we cease this selfish game for nine months, business almost piles up. Certainly this is one of the chief causes of optimism today."

PASSIVE RESISTANCE BREAKS DOWN.

Germany is showing the first signs of weakening in its policy of passive resistance to French occupation of the Ruhr. News dispatches put this interpretation on utterances of Chancellor Cuno and other members of the reichstag. If the chancellor is quoted correctly there seems no doubt of his readiness to reopen negotiations for payment of allied reparations, even before the Ruhr is evacuated.

This apparent change of front in German officialdom is the first real indication of success for the French method of collection. As a forcible attachment of the debtor's assets it has so far met nothing but failure. The amount of coal taken from the Ruhr mines has not justified the expense of getting it.

Passive resistance has been successful only as a temporary impediment to efforts of the French in realizing on the industrial assets of the Ruhr basin. As a permanent policy it was doomed to failure. Probably Germany knew that but hoped to weary the French with every obstacle short of armed resistance. If so the German leaders had underestimated the determination of their late adversaries. One of two outcomes was inevitable—either the situation would end in open hostility or the occupation forces would become organized as to be independent of German co-operation. For Germany war would be suicide.

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No doubt the German government takes the position that submission to claims which it considers unreasonable and confiscatory is preferable to the economic ruin attendant on the present condition. One alternative offers ultimate restoration of the nation's shattered commerce, while the other can hold out nothing but disaster and chaos.
 The world has a close interest in either outcome. France has been severely criticised for its action in retarding financial recovery of a nation essential to the rebuilding of world trade. On the side of strict justice, however, it is admitted that France, lacking satisfactory assur-

ance from Germany, was justified in seeking forcible reimbursement for losses suffered by reason of German aggression.
 The end of the Ruhr occupation would be hailed with relief by every power concerned with the problem of recovery from chaotic conditions brought on by the war.—Galveston News.
 The highest price ever paid for a poem was 6000 golden crowns paid to Sannazaro by the city of Venice for his eulogy of their city—a poem of six lines only.

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