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## CHINESE BANDITS SEIZE DAUGHTER OF NELSON W. ALDRICH

John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s Sister-in-Law Among 150 Captured in Raid On Train.

Pekin, May 6.—Bandits killed one foreigner and carried off 150 passengers in a raid near the Shantung border on the Tientsin Pukow railway today. Miss Aldrich of New York, sister-in-law of John D. Rockefeller Jr., and daughter of former United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, was among the passengers, but her fate is unknown.

The express train was north bound from Sochow when attacked by the bandits, who disarmed soldiers estimated at 1000 strong, and tore up a long stretch of the railroad track. Fifty first-class and 100 second-class passengers were carried off, it was reported here. Six foreigners escaped. The foreigner killed is believed to be a Russian. The minister of communications late today telegraphed General Tsao-Kun and the civil and military governors of Shantung asking that troops be sent to surround the bandits.

New York, May 6.—Miss Aldrich is a resident of Providence, R. I. Most of her time in the United States was spent at the family place in Warwick.

Her brother, who is a member of the law firm of Murray, Prentice and Aldrich, attorneys for the Rockefeller family, said later that she had been out of the country about a year and he was under the impression she was soon to leave China for Japan with several Standard Oil officials who have been touring the Orient. One of those traveling with Miss Aldrich, he said, was a Miss McFadden. Miss Aldrich was accompanied by a maid.

Seal Harbor, Maine, May 6.—John D. Rockefeller Jr., who is spending a vacation here, said today that he had received no direct word of the reported seizure of his sister-in-law, Miss Lucy Aldrich, in a raid by Chinese bandits near the Shantung border.

"Miss Aldrich has been traveling abroad for about a year," he said when informed of the incident by the Associated Press. "Last fall she went to India from Europe, and later to China. She has been in Pekin recently."

Mr. Rockefeller said he had not heard from Miss Aldrich for some time.

Washington, May 6.—On the report made by the American minister the department will base its action with regard to the affair, probably sending him instruction to make representations to the Pekin government as strong as those made in connection with the death at the hands of Chinese sentries of Charles Coltman, American merchant.

One of the demands made by Secretary Hughes in that case was stability of the Chinese government and its control over provinces. The Chinese government recently agreed, among other things, to have an indemnity paid Coltman's heirs, to have the offending troops and their officers punished and to obtain an apology from the province in which the American was killed.

In connection with today's raid, the State department, once informed officially as to the circumstances and details, is expected to demand the release of any American captured by the bandits, an apology from the Pekin government and indemnity for any citizens of the United States suffering injury or hardships.

### Methodist Church.

Sunday morning program, May 13, 1923:

Organ—Voluntary.  
Hymn.  
Apostle's Creed.  
Prayer.  
Solo—"Mother of Pearl." Miss Catherine Cook.  
Psalm.  
Gloria.  
Solo—"Mother Machree." Miss Katherine Powell.  
Offertory, "Souvenir," Delda.  
Solo—"Mother of My Heart." Grey.  
Miss Alta Stokes.  
Sermon—Rev. E. A. Maness.  
Hymn.  
Benediction.  
Postlude.

Sunday evening program, May 13th, 1923, 8 o'clock:

Organ—Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Rachmaninoff.  
Anthem—Holy, Holy.  
Solo—"Come Ye Blessed," John Prinde Scott. Miss Jennie McLean.  
Violin—(a) "Cradle Song," Schubert.

(b) "To A Wild Rose," McDowell.  
Rellie Traylor.  
Anthem—"Abide With Me," Schaecker.  
Organ—"Nocturne," Chopin.  
Solo—"The Old Refrain," Kriesler.  
Mr. J. G. Beasley.  
Anthem—"Now the Day Is Over," Shelley.  
Hawaiian Guitar—"Love's Hope," Arnold. Mrs. Wells.  
Duet—"Calvary," Rodney. Miss McLean, Mrs. Meriwether.  
Solo—Selected, Wayne McConnell.  
Organ—"In Summer," Stebbins.  
"Midsummer Caprice," Johnson.  
Solo—Selected, Mrs. J. P. Hall.  
Organ—"Asa's Death," Greig. "In the Morning," Greig.  
Solo—Selected, Miss Clarite Elliott.  
Anthem—"What Are These?" Stultz.  
Offertory.  
Hymn 180.  
Benediction.  
Postlude.

## QUEEN OF THE MAY FETE IS CROWNED

Miss Hulamae English was voted Queen of the May Fete and crowned in the presence of an appreciative audience on the High School campus Friday afternoon of last week. The fete was promoted by the ladies of the Methodist church for the benefit of the parsonage fund. A handsome sum was realized from the sale of articles, the purchaser of each article being entitled to votes according to the amount of the purchase. There were a number of popular contestants and the voting was spirited from the start. The final result was in favor of Miss English, who is considered one of the very prettiest and most popular girls in the Crockett high school. Following the crowning of the queen, other outdoor features of entertainment concluded the program. Miss English is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. English of Kennard and is a member of the 1923 graduating class of the Crockett High School. Her selection and coronation as Queen of the May Fete came as a pleasing surprise to her, as she was not on the school campus when the contest ended.

### Not of Steel.

The Courier stated last week that the new railroad viaduct in west Crockett would be constructed of steel with a concrete pillar supporting the center, affording a drive way on either side. The statement was correct except that the bridge will not be a steel structure. The error was due to a misunderstanding. The bridge, however, will have steel rails for the train to cross over on, and we hope there is no misunderstanding about that, as we would hate for the train to not be able to cross over—and those who cross under may not be able to do so if they do not heed the "drive to the right" signs.

## PET BROWN KILLED; IDOL OF SPORTSMEN

Popular Athlete Shot Following Argument Over Arrest of Negro Employee—Constable Surrenders.

Cisco, Texas, May 6.—Following the release Sunday of L. J. Starkey, constable, alleged to have shot and killed Pet Brown at 10 p. m. Saturday, over 1000 citizens of Cisco met in a mass meeting and adopted resolutions of consolation for the deceased's family.

The shooting which occurred at Brown's camp, one mile east of Cisco, was said to have been brought on by the arrest of several negroes for gambling.

Mr. Brown came in a few minutes after the officers arrived and said that he would stand for the negroes' fines if they would not take them to jail. This was agreed upon, it was said, but Brown is quoted as saying that he was getting tired of the officers coming out every Saturday night, which is pay day, and arresting the negroes.

### Accused Officers.

Brown is alleged to have told the officers that on two different occasions he had paid fines for his negroes when he knew that the money had not been turned in and said that he would pay no more fines to officers at his camp, but would pay them in court.

It was then agreed, according to Cisco witnesses, for Mr. Brown to pay the fines in court. At this juncture, Brown is alleged to have taken the arm of Deputy Sheriff Poe and told him to go, at the same time reaching for Starkey's arm. The shooting then took place, it was said. Only one shot was fired. The bullet entered Brown's left breast and lodged in the back. He died instantly, it was said.

Following a preliminary hearing, Starkey was released on \$5000 bond.

Brown was known over the State as a champion wrestler and met and won many matches among world wide champions in the game.

The body will be forwarded to Taylor today for burial. He is survived by his wife, who is prostrated at her home in Cisco, and his father who lives at Taylor, and two brothers, one at Lubbock and one at Saginaw, Texas.

News of Brown's death was received in Houston early Sunday morning by Shorty Lubbock, well known amateur umpire and personal friend of the wrestler. Elmer ("Pet") Brown, in his prime as a wrestler, was the hero of fans in Houston. It was he more than any one else who put the game on a prosperous basis here several years ago. It was only necessary for promoters to announce "Pet" was to

wrestle and a capacity house was assured.

Pet, as he was known throughout the State, figured in many gruelling matches on the mat. He also figured in many hectic sessions inspired when hostile spectators took a hand in the proceedings.

## SUNDAY SINGING AT ENTERPRISE

There are 1055 automobiles registered in Houston county. It is conservatively estimated that at least half of this number was at Enterprise, in the Belott community, Sunday. Estimating that each automobile brought five people, 2500 people came in automobiles. Fully 500 people came by other means of transportation. There were no less than 3000 people at Enterprise Sunday. The occasion was the semi-annual convention of the Houston County Singing Society. Karl Leediker was master of ceremonies. A special feature on Sunday's program was the Vaughan quartet. The weather was propitious, the singing enthusiastic, the people were happy faces and everything was lovely. The dinner was not overlooked Sunday and must not be overlooked now. A shady grove surrounds the church and arbor and in this grove were happy groups of diners—family groups and invited friends. A basket dinner spread picnic style was the center of each group. The Courier editor accepted no less than a dozen invitations and tried to eat with as many groups, and would have succeeded if the group he started in with had not afforded other than culinary attractions. The social feature of these community gatherings cannot be over-estimated. They bring the people together in a way that is enlightening, elevating and captivating. Underscore that last word.

## JAIL DELIVERY WAS ATTEMPTED

Elbert Lewis, murder; Baker Dixon, murder; Frank Northington, burglary. These three negroes are confined in the Houston county jail following convictions on the charges after their names. Evidently tiring of the monotony of prison life, they made an attempt at jail delivery Saturday afternoon, but Jailer Jesse English was on the watch and discovered the attempt in time to break it up. These three negroes had taken a piece of water pipe from the bath tub and started a hole in the brick floor with it. They had a hole almost large enough to lower themselves through when discovered by the jailer and ordered to their cages to be locked up. They had been permitted the use of the large room and lavatory in order to help themselves to their liberty. Being on the second floor of the jail, their plan was to lower themselves through the hole to the first floor and await their opportunity to rush the jailer. Once on the first floor, it would have been an easy matter, when the door was opened, to have seized the jailer and made their escape to the outside. But their plans were discovered in time and their efforts at freedom checked.

## JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Courier subscribers are busy with their crops. Corn has to be worked and cotton chopped. Therefore the list of renewals is not as large this week as it was last. Good stands of cotton are reported.

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

J. R. Foster, Crockett.  
Isidor Herman, Crockett.  
J. F. Murray, Crockett Rt. 2.  
J. B. Fuller, Crockett Rt. 4.  
Dr. L. S. Harris, Crockett Rt. 3.  
T. F. John, Kennard Rt. 2.  
W. C. Wells, Crockett.  
M. S. Owens (col.), Crockett Rt. 3.

### Operation Successful.

Dr. W. W. Latham and Mr. W. E. Hail returned Wednesday from New Orleans, where Mr. Hail successfully underwent a very difficult surgical operation. The friends of the latter will be glad to learn of his rapid recovery.

In the United States alone we are now patenting inventions at the rate of 40,000 a year.

## BOARD OF BISHOPS CONDEMNS POLICY OF PREPAREDNESS

SAY REAL GREATNESS GOES TO NATION WILLING TO BEAR WORLD BURDENS.

Wichita, Kan., May 6.—Asserting that "nations stand armed to the teeth" for aggressive warfare, the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, in a resolution made public here today, urged the adoption of those measures that will make provision for the peaceful settlement of all questions involving international disputes.

Neither the league of nations nor President Harding's plan for participation by this country in the proposed international court were mentioned specifically in the bishops' resolution, passed at the final session of the board yesterday.

The resolution which embodied the bishops' comment on world conditions further declared that laws should be enacted which would make obligatory the observance of measures for settling international disputes.

"If the United States of America confines herself purely to internal affairs and has nothing to do with the rest of the world, the scepter of her national greatness will pass to some other nation that is willing to bear the burdens of the world," the resolution continued.

Touching again upon the attitude of Methodism toward what was termed Bishop Edgar Blake's "halo of praise on the aims of the soviet government" of Russia, the board of bishops declared that "as a result of the recent Russian atrocities, the world has experienced a revulsion against the soviet government that can not be measured by racial or religious boundaries."

The board had previously recalled the Methodist Episcopal delegation to Moscow, of which Bishop Blake was a member, largely because of the purported remarks of the bishop at the Russian conclave Thursday.

While the outlook of world conditions was regarded as "disquieting" and the Franco-German relations on the reparations was characterized as "holding the world in a state of suspense," the bishops believe, "nations are beginning to see that war as a means of settling international disputes is a relic of barbarism, a travesty on justice and a destroyer of civilization."

The resolution concluded by congratulating President Harding "upon the noble efforts he is making to bring about a better and more definite form of international co-operation and to find some way whereby America may take a legitimate part with other nations in disarmament, both moral and material."

## PIONEER WOMAN SAYS WORLD IS NO WORSE THAN IN EARLY DAYS

Battle Creek, Mich., May 5.—Mrs. Charlotte Bennett, 99 years old, Michigan pioneer and believed to be the only surviving mother of a civil war veteran residing in this state, declares her opinion that "the world is no worse than it was when I was a girl."

Mrs. Bennett, however, deprecates what she calls "a lack of neighborliness" on the part of present-day Americans.

"The world has become commercialized and there no longer is the friendly attitude of one person toward another that was noticeable when I was a girl," Mrs. Bennett said. "But so far as real goodness goes, I can't see but what folks today are just as filled with virtue as they ever were. Every generation has its faults and its redeeming features."

Nothing works harder than money put out at interest. Night and day, Sundays or holidays, as well as week days, it is all the same to the dollars that are working. There is no need to worry about them, if foresight is used in placing them where they will work and be sure to come back after the allotted time they were hired out. On the other hand, where money is used in schemes promising sudden wealth, it has a very fine way of forgetting to come back, and sometimes never returns. It is true that at times it does return and bring back in large measures the fruits of its labors—but these occasions are rare indeed.

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## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

District court closed with last week.  
Mrs. S. A. Fain has returned from visiting at Palestine.  
Mrs. R. H. Lacy is recovering from an appendicitis operation performed on Thursday morning of last week.

## CROCKETT THEATRE

First Night Show Starts at 7:45 p. m. Promptly

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF MAY 14 TO 19

MONDAY, MAY 14

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Matinee 3:30.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY MAY 16 AND 17

"MORAN OF THE LADY LETTY"

With Dorothy Dalton and Rudolph Valentino.

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Two days.

Admission 20 and 40c.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

Herbert Rawlinson with Alice Lake in "NOBODY'S BRIDE"

We have wealth and high society on one side and queen of a bunch of crooks fighting for the love of one man. See which wins.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

Last Chapter of "BUFFALO BILL"

Playlet: "The Gypsy Trail."  
Comedy: "Kid Love."  
Matinee 2:30.

## SOME NEWS OF THE CROCKETT OIL FIELD

Mr. Turney, one of the promoters of the Driskell well, has arrived from Pennsylvania. His presence at Crockett was made necessary by the illness of Col. T. E. Otis, who has been confined to his room for the last week. Mr. Turney says he finds excellent progress being made at the well and that the indications are promising.

Mr. George L. Porter, who is now in Crockett, says that he has not yet completed his arrangements for again starting the drill, but hopes to do so at an early date.

## POLITICS UNDER THE CLOAK OF RELIGION.

The tone of the address in the early sessions of the conclave of the All-Russian church at Moscow leaves no room for further doubt that this assembly was called for political rather than for religious purposes.

So poorly concealed are the motives of the leaders in the conference, that the religious world may dismiss serious consideration of the movement as one looking to the spiritual regeneration of Russia, and take it for what it is, a conspiracy of communists under the cloak of religion to extend their power in Russia and to spread the communists' doctrines abroad.

The ridiculous claims made for the soviet government by leaders in the movement rob it of any standing as an honest religious effort. The suggestion that the murdering, plundering crew at Moscow is endeavoring to "bring about an evangelical brotherhood on earth by State methods" insults the intelligence of the people of all religious communions.

The charge made by the ecclesiast apparently selected as the spokesman for the soviet government that "Christianity has been bought up by capitalism and has selected Rockefeller instead of Christ as its leader" is sufficient to disclose the conference as a gathering of socialistic fanatics dominated by the ecclesiastical henchmen of the red political regime. It shows conclusively that it is communism, not Christianity, that the body is concerned with primarily.

Furthermore, in the steam-roller methods used in taking the vote on the question of unrooking the patriarch Tikhon, now under charge of treason to the soviet government because of his refusal to acquiesce in the pillaging of the Orthodox churches by the red officials, the leaders in the conference are convicted of dishonesty and a contempt for the rights, both of the accused individual, and of the other members of the body.

That there were abuses in the old Russian Orthodox church, can not be denied. As the State church, it was a pillar of the despotism, and fell short of its duty to the people in many respects. Even after it was disassociated from the monarchy there was not lacking need for sweeping reforms.

But what improvement is to be expected in the church in Russia under the tutelage of the communists? If the Orthodox church stood by consenting to the slaying of thousands by the imperial government, the soviet government has slain its tens of thousands directly. If the old church retained obsolete forms of religion, the soviet government has openly undertaken to abolish religion altogether in Russia.

It has set at naught every moral teaching of Christianity. It has repealed the Ten Commandments, and undertaken to substitute for religion, an impractical political system, which instead of establishing the universal brotherhood about which it prates, gives opportunity for the few to rob, oppress and slay the many, and to set up a political and industrial despotism more hateful than the imperial government ever dared to be.

The spectacle of the soviet government, its pockets bulging with the loot of the nation; its hands stained with the blood of millions of the Russian people; its honor sullied by its repudiation of its international obligations; its intelligence challenged by its recent attempts to eradicate the sentiment of religion entirely from the country, now posing as a Christian evangelistic agency, and the patron of a reformed church would be ludicrous if the situation in Russian were not so serious. Never, perhaps, in modern history has there been such a degree of impudent and hypocritical presumption displayed by a secular government.—Houston Post.

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## TURKEY CURBS WAR TALK; SAYS SYRIAN ARMY IS DISBANDING

Lausanne Parley Has Smoother Sailing as Diplomats Seek Way to Peace.

Lausanne, May 5.—Turkey is demobilizing, not mobilizing, troops in Syria, and therefore there is no justification of French fears that Turkey is threatening the Syrian frontier. This, it was said tonight in Turkish circles, would probably constitute the substance of the reply to the French note of protest.

Turkey asserts that she is demobilizing as a preliminary step to the probable signature of peace at Lausanne, and has no intention of menacing the French army in Syria as a means of forcing France to make further concessions to Turkey at the Lausanne conference.

The Turks and allies, although unshaken in their opposing views regarding special protection for foreign residents of Turkey, have postponed further formal consideration of the question that is threatening the success of the conference until the last possible moment. The allies in the meantime have organized a sort of individual campaign to break the Ottoman resistance to the European demand that Turkey's foreign advisers must be consulted or notified before arrests, seizures or searches affecting foreigners.

Allied representatives said tonight they considered the conference situation less critical than yesterday, owing to the desire of the allies and the Turks to reach an agreement.

There is great interest in allied circles as to whether the American representatives will make a move calculated to strengthen the allied position to grant large power to the legal advisers and thus satisfy American residents in Turkey.

No Hostile Intention, Declares Adnam Bey.

Constantinople, May 5.—Adnam Bey, nationalist governor of Constantinople, assured the acting French high commissioner here today the Turkish government had no hostile intention toward France. Turkey, he said, conscious that the conclusion of peace in the near future would assure the country an era of tranquility and prosperity, was engaged in disbanding her troops with a view to the

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establishment of her army upon a peace footing.

The governor added that the Angora agreement still remained unfulfilled by France, which was not supporting Turkey in the Lausanne conference.

## JAZZING UP A DANCE PARTY

GOLDIE AND JACK ENTERTAIN AT THE CITY AUDITORIUM.

Goldie and Jack gave a dance and an entertainment Saturday night at the city auditorium.

It was a gala affair. All the bell-bottom trousers in town were among those present, as was Miss Magdalene Williams, marathon dancing champion of the world, of course.

The orchestra of the Messrs. Bush & Gerts played dulcet little ditties and somebody slipped out of a straight-jacket.

It is estimated the slick hair on the floor at any given moment, if translated into the modern substitute for hair grease, would take one hour and 13 minutes to pass a given point, single file. Goldie was in a bouffant gown of pink and blue, with silver slippers. Quite a picture. Jack wore a suit of clothes.

Jack, if need be said, is T. Jack Kennedy Jr., world's piano marathon champion. Goldie is the Hughes girl, marathon dancing's gamest loser, world's champion of spunk.

A good time was had by all.—Houston Post.

The next day after Commodore Dewey captured Manila twenty-five years ago, The Post remarked editorially: "It is to be hoped that we have not captured a white elephant on the other side of the world." The Post's fears were not unfounded. After a quarter of a century of occupation of the islands, what to do with them is just as much of a problem as it was the day McKinley's cabinet discussed the matter following Dewey's victory message.—Houston Post.

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**EDITORIALS BY  
COL. R. T. MILNER**

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

**HARD TO CONVINCED.**

The other day a prosperous farmer, in a discussion of various things pertaining to the farm, related this story: "The hardest thing on the farm that I have ever encountered is to get my tenants to think and reason. For several years I had a tenant working for the 'third and fourth' who was a good sort of a fellow and I took a great interest in him. He was not lazy, but his power to reason and think was absolutely pitiful.

"He would insist that he should plant half of his crop in corn and the other half in cotton. He would use the ordinary amount of fertilizer on his cotton, but never a pound could I persuade him to use on his corn. He would plant about fifteen acres in corn, and never make over ten bushels per acre, and often less.

"After all hope of ever convincing him by abstract reasoning that his method as wrong had been abandoned, I hired him one year to cultivate five acres in corn under my personal direction. I had him to prepare the soil by breaking it well, discing it, thus pulverizing the clods, gave the rows about seven feet distance, with a row of peas between, cultivated shallow, keeping the surface as level as possible, used ten dollars worth of fertilizer on the entire five acres, produced thirty-five bushels to the acre of fine corn, and peas enough to make his meat.

"But do you know with that object lesson staring him right in the face, an object lesson which had been produced by his own labor, that fellow fell right back in his old ways, and whenever I would remind him of the fact that he made 175 bushels of corn on five acres, he would say: 'Yes, that sort of cultivation is all right for a few acres, but you can't cultivate 15 acres that way.'

"And it is a solemn fact that that man was white and free, was one hundred per cent American, the father of children, but in spite of his freedom he was a slave to that kind of ignorance which can never be removed. And being a slave to ignorance he was held in poverty, bound and fastened in poverty, by his own ignorance and lack of ability to think straight on the simplest farm problems.

"The poor fellow had gotten it in his head that he must plant about the same number of acres in the two crops, and that was as far as his reasoning powers extended."

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The greatest duty of the school teacher is to carry the student into the realm of individual thinking. A boy or girl of school age who can think straight will succeed, but unfortunately is the student who leaves thinking out of his educational programme.

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The surest way to get the opinion of the American people on any national question is to interview the mass of voters in almost any given community. A popular vote in any agricultural county, outside of the large cities, on the League of Nations, will disclose a vote of ten to one against it. The American people are just naturally opposed to foreign entanglements. The doctrine is inbred, woven into their minds by all the great statesmen of the best days, and there it will stay. The voice of men like Washington and Jefferson is still the voice of the people on questions of international moment. All this talk about America being a world power and she cannot maintain a state of isolation is trade talk, commercial stuff, the propaganda of idealists, college professors' visions and night dreams of stilt walkers. America's fine example of what a nation can do by attending to its own business and loving its neighbor is an inspiration to all the world. Yes, America is a world power, and her power has been attained by cultivating the arts of peace and good will. Let it rest at that.

**Wants to Establish Industrial School.**

Rev. James Johnson, pastor of one of the colored Baptist churches in Crockett, has shown me testimonials as to his good character, given by the sheriff, the county clerk, the county judge of Montgomery county, merchants of Conroe and others. He has lived many years in that county and been useful in building up a good school for the colored people in Conroe. He now has it in view to establish a good school for his people in this county, a few miles in the country—an institution that shall contribute to the industrial development of his race, and make them successful in agricultural, mechanical and other lines, said institution to be under Christian influences. He desires to have, to begin this institution, about one hundred acres of land or more, located several miles from town. Of course he would like to have that land donated to start with. Then it will be necessary for him to have financial help both from the colored people and from the whites. He desires to present this enterprise to a mass meeting of colored people in Crockett on June 19th.

In my judgment this is a good idea. It would be well to train up the younger generation of negroes to be

useful citizens. And this would be to the interest of our white people. Also in a business point of view such an institution would circulate no small amount of money for the financial interests of both races.

He is an intelligent negro—has some of Booker Washington's ideas. He was raised up from slavery times in Leon county, and has spent many years in Montgomery county, and a number of years in preaching to colored Baptists in this county. I consider him trustworthy, and would like to see him succeed. S. F. Tenney.

**LAST HONOR PAID  
LEE ROUNTREE IN  
BRYAN SERVICES**

**40 CO-WORKERS ACCOMPANY  
BODY OF LEGISLATOR TO  
CEMETERY.**

Bryan, Texas, May 3.—The body of Lee J. Rountree, State legislator, newspaper man, tireless worker in the interest of Texas which has given to her people four generations of the Rountree's, arrived in Bryan at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the State capitol at Austin, accompanied by Mrs. Rountree, loyal co-worker with her husband in all his accomplishments.

The body also was accompanied by members of the lower and upper houses of the Texas legislature, of which Rountree was a representative, and by a number of prominent State officials and citizens.

The remains were escorted to its last resting place in the local cemetery and buried with ceremonies befitting a public servant who so held the respect and honor of his constituency.

**Students Lead Procession.**

It was peculiarly appropriate that the funeral train should be led by students of a higher institution of learning, including a body of students of a junior institution and that the casket should be borne on its last journey between long lines of high school pupils, an impressive tribute to long, uninterrupted service to the cause of the common weal.

In the cortege, riding behind came the delegated body of senators and representatives in whose presence Rountree had dropped dead, fighting for causes of which made him respected by students and champions of education.

The agricultural and mechanical college of Texas band played sacred music as the casket was taken from the train and then took the lead of the train, sounding the funeral march.

**Service at Church.**

A company of Texas A. and M. cadets followed; then came a company of junior cadets from Allen Academy of Bryan; an escort from the Brazos Union Lodge Number 129 of Bryan, having charge of the funeral; finally, before the hearse, an escort of Knights Templar. The body of legislators followed the family car. Pupils of Bryan High school rimmed each side of the way to the First Methodist church, the mother church of her esteemed member received the remains for a short service, conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. C. Willis. Then continued the march—the final one to the cemetery.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

The State of Texas, County of Houston.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1923, by A. B. Smith, Clerk of said Court, for the sum of Ninety-Seven and 50/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Oklahoma Farm Mortgage Company, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 6057, and styled Oklahoma Farm Mortgage Company vs. S. F. Maples and Adelia Maples, placed in my hands for service, I, O. B. Hale, as Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1923, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Being a part of the Burrell Morris survey and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the south west corner of Clinkscales 200 acres tract Post Oak and Pine for bearing trees.

Thence south 46, west 426 vrs., corner Post Oak 18 in. brs. S. 22, W. 1.8 vrs. Hickory 8 in. brs. S. 53, E. 1.8 vrs.

Thence north 31 1/2, west 218 vrs., cross gully C. N. W. 315 vrs. cross same C. N. W. 995 cross Spring Branch C. S. W. 1159 vrs. near gully black gum 10 in. brs. 16, W. 1.2 vrs. Mulberry 12 brs. S. 51, E. 3 vrs.

Thence with Gully general course North 58 1/2, East 416 vrs., corner Mulberry 5 in. brs. S. 51, E. 3.6 vrs., Lynn 6 in. brs. N. 15, E. 2.6 vrs.

Thence south 31 1/2, East with Clinkscales line 1057 vrs. to place of beginning, containing eighty (80) acres of land, more or less, and levied upon as the property of S. F. Maples and Adelia Maples, and that on the first Tuesday in June, A. D. 1923, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell above described Real Estate at the public venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said S. F. Maples and

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And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County.

Witness my hand, this 1st day of May, A. D. 1923. O. B. Hale, Sheriff, Houston County, Texas. By J. L. English, Deputy. St.

**Legislation Advocated for Doing Away With Nuisance.**

The interference sometimes encountered in radio broadcasting reception is primarily a problem of broadcasting transmission. It will be eliminated by the enactment of suitable government legislation that will enable wave-lengths other than 360 and 400 meters to be assigned to broadcasting stations.

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less the signals of one station are of sufficient density to drown out those of the other station.

Two broadcasting stations operating on nearly the same wave lengths will produce an audible note, or "whistle," in a receiving apparatus which no tuner of either the single or double circuit type will eliminate. The cure for this problem is the assignment of wave lengths to the transmitting stations of sufficient separation so as not to produce an audible note.

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**CHIROPRACTOR BILL MEETS ITS DEATH IN SENATE COMMITTEE**

McMillan Act Reported Unfavorable—Patman Tax Measure Passed to Engrossment.

Austin, Texas, May 4.—The McMillan chiropractors' bill, seeking to establish a State chiropractic licensing board, was killed when the public health committee of the senate unanimously reported unfavorably on the measure.

The house this afternoon passed to engrossment the Patman bill to increase the gross receipts taxes of certain corporations, including express companies, telephone and public utilities companies and wholesalers in oil. The vote for engrossment of the bill, the provisions of which are based on a graduated scale for the various corporations, was 64 to 44.

The attorney general of Texas was directed to take such action, including institution of suits, as may be necessary to prevent the carrying out of contracts let by the State text book commission last December in a report of the joint legislative investigation committee submitted to both houses of the legislature today.

The report was approved by six of the eight committee members. Representative Bonham and Senator Bowers attaching reservations.

All State officials are directed under the committee recommendations to refuse to take any action toward recognizing or enforcing the contracts or admitting their validity. The attorney general is requested to "uphold and defend" such State officials in their failure to refuse to admit the validity of the contracts.

**Request to Attorney General.**

Finally, the attorney general is directed to inform the legislature as to whether he will carry out the recommendations during the present session so that "there shall be ample time remaining for the legislature to consider and determine upon ways and means of accomplishing the objects and purposes of these recommendations."

Findings of the committee as a result of extended testimony submitted by State officials, members of the text book commission and book representatives of text book publishing houses presented to the text book commission members, previous letting

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of the award, merits of text books "with the purpose and intent of influencing members of said commission in selection of text books."

The Texas senate passed finally today the Thomas bill authorizing cities to collect poll tax from women as well as men. The house concurrent resolution expressing hope for success of conferences looking toward Mexican recognition was adopted. The Thomas bill seeking to substitute electrocution for hanging in Texas was reported favorably, while the Floyd bill to prohibit the sale of ginger preparations was killed when it was reported favorably.

**Henderson Bill.**

The Henderson bill appropriating \$6,000,000 to aid public schools during the next two years and the Pope text book bill seeking to extend book contracts in force prior to last December were passed finally in the Texas house today.

The Burkett bill creating the Eleventh court of civil appeals at Eastland was passed finally by the Texas senate today without a record vote.

Creation of a Texas historical board to preserve the early historical records of the State was recommended to the legislature today by Governor Neff in a message to the special session.

The board would gather and present to the legislature at each regular session data and recommendations for the preservation of historic relics, the marking of historic spots, the purchase of historic grounds and the erection of monuments in memory of the State's heroes.

Telegrams to the Texas house of representatives, demanding that the tax of crude oil be placed at 3 per cent, were sent to Austin today by the State headquarters of the Farm Labor union. A meeting of the executive committee of the State organization has been called here May 16 to consider establishment of a cotton and cottonseed selling agency.

**PASSING OF LEE J. ROUNTREE.**

Had he been empowered to choose his own fate, Representative Lee J. Rountree of Brazos county, who fell at his post of duty in the capitol as the evening session drew to a close Wednesday, would have chosen no other than that which befell him. To one as devoted as was he to the interests of the people of his State, there could come no greater honor than to give his life in their active service.

For thirty years and more Lee J. Rountree, both in private and public life, had given the best that his heart and mind possessed in the promotion of the welfare of the people of Texas. His most conspicuous service, perhaps, was his ardent championship of the cause of flood control and conservation before the recent sessions of the legislature. To this cause he was devoting himself energetically when death called, and his passing is particularly unfortunate for this movement, not yet assured of success.

But as a representative he was also a consistent friend of education and supported faithfully the interests of the institutions of higher learning. On all issues affecting the moral welfare of the people he rang true.

In his profession as a newspaper man he was eminently successful, and enjoyed a wide popularity in the newspaper fraternity both in Texas and nation. In the presidency of the National Editorial association he reflected credit upon himself and upon the press of Texas. His journalistic ideals were of the highest; he was a gifted and vigorous writer, and his newspapers exerted wide influence in their spheres.

Sincerely fond of young men, during his many years as editor of the Georgetown Commercial, he was the friend of the students of Southwestern university. His office was always open to them; he was constantly the center of a group of admiring young students who regarded him as an encyclopedia on public and political affairs. In a sense, he served as an instructor on public questions for the students, and it is doubtful if any of the university's professors exerted a larger influence than did he in his quiet and unofficial capacity as friend and counsellor of ambitious young students. Throughout the State today are thousands of men in all walks of life who will remember him tenderly for his kindly interest in them in the days of their youth.

In his passing, the cause of democracy, as distinguished from organized selfishness, has lost a champion; the public service has lost a faithful worker, and the State is deprived of a citizen whose usefulness was manifested in innumerable ways.—Houston Post.

**Splendor In Excess.**

"The first carpet even seen in a Nevada town," says an old-timer, "was in a parson's house. One day a little money came from the preacher's home folks back East. With it the parson bought the cotton; his wife spun it, had it woven and painted over in oil colors, with a gay border around the edge and groups of flowers in the center.

"When the carpet was laid, the people were astounded at the magnificence of the preacher's parlor. One old chap, stopping at the door, was afraid to enter.

"Walk in," said the parson. "I can't," said the old fellow, "without steppin' on it. Do yo' think," he added, in wondering admiration, "ye can have all that and heaven, too?" —Philadelphia Ledger.

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**TELEPHONE HELPS LOVE DEFY SPACE, NEARING DEATH**

Fort Worth, Texas, May 3.—Love triumphed over space and beat death, if death is to come, at noon Thursday when Miss Helen L. Satterwhite, 17, stood in the telephone exchange at Fort Worth and became the wife of Horace Keller, 20, who is lying in a government hospital in Bremerton, Wash., 4600 miles distant, via wire.

Long distance telephones were utilized to perform the marriage ceremony. With the right hand of the bride clasped in that of Hal P. Hughes, justice of the peace in Fort Worth and the right hand of Keller held by that of Judge George Parr in Bremerton the words were said that made childhood sweethearts man and wife.

According to the Red Cross which arranged the wedding at this end the bridegroom is near death with pneumonia.

It was the wish of both Keller and his young bride that they be married before death come, if it does.

Mrs. Keller and her husband have been sweethearts for a long period of time. They would have been married last August before he joined the navy except the mother of Mrs. Keller was ill and felt that she could not see her daughter go so far away from home.

The wedding was held in the girls' rest room of the local exchange.

Mrs. J. T. Davis, sister of the bride, was her only relative present. Her mother was said to be too ill to attend.

**NO LOOPHOLE TO BE LEFT FOR EVASION OF LIQUOR RULING**

Washington, May 3.—Treasury officials began today the drafting of definite regulations for enforcement of the prohibition law as construed by the supreme court with the announced determination that no loopholes would be left for evasion.

Penalties will be provided, it was declared, which will leave no doubt as to the government's intention to deal vigorously with the situation.

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**FORD COMPANY HAS MORE CASH ON HAND THAN STEEL COMP'NY**

Street estimates said, amounted to \$119,000,000 equivalent to \$6.90 a share on the 172,466 shares of \$100 par value which Henry Ford and his son, Edsel, own outright.

Ford, they believed, has a total fortune, including his Ford Motor Company holdings, of between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000, and ranks toward the top of the list of the world's richest men. He is only exceeded, it was believed, by the holdings of John D. Rockefeller Jr. and elder.

His vast wealth was obtained in twenty years.

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New York, May 4.—The Ford Motor Company, Inc., has more actual cash in its treasury than any other corporation in the United States, if not in the entire world, according to figures announced in Wall Street today, which place the total as more than that of the United States Steel Corporation. The total assets of the Ford Company is given at \$536,351,939.

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### WAR RESPONSIBLE FOR LOWERING OF U. S. POPULATION

MANY FOREIGNERS RETURN TO NATIVE LANDS, SAYS GOVERNMENT REPORT.

Washington, April 28.—Influences of the world war are reflecting in almost all the population census shown by the 1920 census, it is pointed out in an analysis just published by the census bureau, which says the persistent influence of the war alone is likely to make the fourteenth census conspicuous for years to come.

In addition, it is declared, the last census will prove noteworthy in succeeding census tabulations, showing a return to a more liberal percentage of increase, for the sharp depression it showed in population growth, or, should the low rate of increase continue or the rate tend to decline still further, as marking the beginning of a distinct slowing down in national growth.

The 1920 census, the analysis says, recorded the effect caused directly by the war, of an unsettlement of family relations, probably more widespread than corresponding changes during any previous decade covered by American census taking except that of the civil war.

Evidence still were present on all sides, when the 1920 census was taken, more than a year after the armistice, of the vast economic readjustment and effort which the United States had made. War influence is seen in the analysis in reduction of the rate of national population increase; in the changes which occurred in the States, counties, cities and smaller communities; and, finally, in the pronounced readjustment which took place among the different elements of the population.

Emigration in the decade ended in 1920 has a considerable effect on population. At the call of their native countries, large numbers of foreign born left the United States. The in-

fluence of this factor is clearly seen in the reduced percentages of increase for most cities in spite of the great influx of the rural element.

The tendency of the American people to concentrate in cities was stimulated by the war, and economically probably is the most important development indicated by the fourteenth census.

### PRESIDENT WON'T HELP YOUTHFUL KIN BECOME COP

York, Pa., April 21.—There are some things that even the president can't do—and preserve the dignity of his high office.

Walter Dickinson Hague, 7-year-old son of Rev. Dr. Walter Dickinson of York, learned this today and his prodding ambition to be a policeman went the way of most boyhood dreams.

The other day when he was refused a job on the York force he resolved to appeal to a higher authority, his cousin. And in this case his cousin happened to be the president of the United States.

President Harding replied promptly: "Dear Walter—I am afraid the York authorities would be doubtful about my right to intrude in this matter."

"I feel sure that boy as big as you ought to be thoroughly competent, but it is a little hard to get the regulations in such matters waived."

"I think the best thing for you to do is to wait until you grow about two feet taller, and then you probably will be able to get on the force if you still want to do so."

#### Save Your Baby Chicks.

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## 10 KILLED, 52 HURT IN WRECK OF TRAIN; ENGINES OVERTURN

LANDSLIDE BELIEVED TO HAVE CAUSED ACCIDENT IN UTAH.

Salt Lake City, May 3.—Eight passengers and two trainmen were killed and 25 passengers were injured in the wreck late last night of Denver and Rio Grande Western passenger train No. 2, eastbound, near Woodside, Utah, according to telegraphic advices reaching Salt Lake City early today.

Two engines, pulling the train of 11 cars, were overturned, killing an engineer and one fireman, and the baggage car and smoking coach crashed into the wreckage of the two locomotives. The eight dead were occupants of the smoking car, it was reported here.

Meager reports from the scene of the wreck were received and officials of the road said the cause of the wreck was unknown. One report said that the two locomotives were swept from the tracks by a landslide as it rounded a curve.

Rescue and relief trains are expected to arrive at the scene of the wreck early today. None of the dead have been identified, railroad officials here said.

The wreck occurred in the treacherous canyon country of a mountainous region two miles east of Woodside about 11 o'clock last night.

Besides the smoker and baggage cars, two Pullmans left the tracks but did not overturn, it was reported. The other five cars on the train remained on the tracks and their occupants were reported uninjured.

Engineer Fred A. Rader of Grand Junction, who was in charge of the second engine of the double-header, and Fireman A. Anderson of the first engine were instantly killed in the wreck.

Engineer Joe Westbrook, piloting the first locomotive, and William Gillis, fireman with Rader in the second engine, miraculously escaped death. Neither were reported to have been injured.

#### A NEWSPAPER CODE OF ETHICS.

Further explanation by President Harding the other day of his attitude on the world court had a tendency to dwarf in public notice other important declarations arising from the same occasion. The president addressed the American Society of Newspaper Editors, an organization formed at a meeting of editors in New York. The body of Mr. Harding's address, in fact, dealt with the very subject about which the editors were concerned—that of newspaper ethics. In the course of his remarks he paid a high tribute to the influence and integrity of American newspapers.

The editors adopted a code of ethics embodying most of the fundamental principles already accepted as a guide to the best in journalism. But in addition to outlining the duties of the press, they emphasized some of its rights. The statement was less a code of ethics than a declaration of independence.

No real necessity exists for dwelling upon the newspaper's obligation to the public. Reputable publications are held strictly to account for their adherence to the rules laid down by law or public opinion.

Condemnation of the press comes most often from those who resent the white light and are afraid of their plans or actions, or others whose legal right to be always right is not generally accepted.

Concerning partisanship, the code makes this pronouncement: "Partisanship in editorial comment which knowingly departs from the truth does violence to the best spirit of American journalism; in the news columns it is subversive to a fundamental principle of the profession."

A newspaper can not relinquish its right to print legitimate news simply because there is a tendency to believe that since newspapers are privately owned they must be dedicated to advancement of particular views, groups or interests. A reputation for fairness and sincerity can be earned and maintained only by strict adherence to the policy of keeping the news columns absolutely free from anything that smacks of unfairness.

The attitude of the truly ethical newspaper with regard to items making a sensational appeal to morbid interest in crime is forcefully outlined in this language: "A newspaper can not escape conviction of insincerity if, while professing high moral purpose, it supplies incentives to base conduct, such as are to be found in details of crime and vice, publication of which is not demonstrably for the public good. Lacking authority to enforce it canons, the journalism here represented can but express the hope that deliberate pandering to the vicious instincts will encounter effective public disapproval or yield to the influence of a preponderance of professional condemnation."

It would seem that the editors correctly fixed the limits of a newspaper's rights when they asserted that "the right of a newspaper to attract and hold readers can only be restricted by considerations of public welfare." All other considerations should be subservient to that of public welfare in newspaper making.—Galveston News.

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### OFFICER REMOVAL MEASURE KILLED

Neff's Pet Bill Lasts But Fifteen Minutes Before Senate—Majority Unfavorable.

Austin, Texas, May 3.—The famous Patterson quo warranto bill lasted but 15 minutes before the senate tonight. A majority unfavorable committee report, as adopted by a vote of 9 to 11 with four pairs and two present not voting, immediately after the bill was placed before the body. A motion to reconsider the vote and table was carried, thus finally killing the bill.

An appeal to members to expedite legislative work so that another special session of the Texas legislature will not be necessary was made by Lieutenant Governor Davidson when the senate resumed work today. He

called attention to the fact that but a few days remain of the session and urged members to consider pending measures as a means of clearing the calendar.

The "quo warranto" bill was before the senate a short time on the question of re-setting the measure as special order next week. It was scheduled as special order today, but because of failure to complete the appropriation bills, probably will be delayed until Friday. By a vote of 12 to 10 the senate refused to set the bill for next Tuesday as moved by Senator Woods.

Recommendation that the attorney general of Texas institute proceedings to annual awards of the State text book commission last December will be made to the legislature by the joint legislative committee investigating the awards, committee members stated today. Agreement on the minority report was reached Wednesday night and is being drafted today. The report probably will be submitted Friday.

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**AN EDITORIAL FOR AMERICANS.**

The Philippine Independence resolution introduced by Congresswoman Winnifred Mason Huck is an editorial in itself. We cannot improve upon it.

Therefore we submit her appeal for our freedom to the members of the Sixty-eighth Congress, and to the American people, as being our own:

Whereas all just powers of government are derived from the consent of the governed; and

Whereas the people of the Philippine Islands, including all classes and all political parties, are petitioning the United States to grant them a free and independent government; and

Whereas the right (if any) to govern them was acquired by the United States in the war with Spain and by conquest of the Filipino people; and

Whereas President McKinley in his first letter of instruction to the peace commissioners instructed them not to enter into any agreement which would mean perpetual sovereignty of the United States over the Philippine people; and

Whereas the American people through their Congress, declared repeatedly that they would not take territory as a result of the war with Spain, and repeatedly stated that as soon as the people of the Philippine Islands were able to establish a stable government that would protect life and property that the people of the United States would grant them independence; and

Whereas more than 20 years ago President McKinley stated that the Philippine Islands are not ours to exploit, but "to train in the science of self-government," and to deny them self-government now would practically be an admission that the United States had failed in training them "in the science of self-government"; and

Whereas President Roosevelt said more than 10 years ago that he hoped the time would arrive when the Filipinos "can decide for themselves whether it is well for them to become independent"; and

Whereas it is now known by the American people that a stable government has been established in the Philippines; and

Whereas the American people have made untold sacrifices in the late war in the interest of self-determination, and to further refuse independence to the Philippines is not only an abandonment of the promises made at the time we took possession of the Philippine Islands, but is a violation of our highest ideals: Therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the people of the Philippine Islands are hereby declared to be free and independent, and the Congress of the United States hereby recognizes the Philippine Republic as prayed for in their memorial and requests the President of the United States to negotiate and submit to the Senate of the United States such political and commercial treaties as may be necessary to secure for the people of the Philippine Islands self-determination and a free and independent government.—Philippine Bulletin.

**DEFEATING "GOLD AND SILVER" JUNKET.**

Remarks of Congressman Blanton, in the House March 3, 1923:

Mr. Chairman, I want to tell you something about what these special committees have cost lately. I will not mention this \$600,000 coal committee—\$600,000 that you are giving that coal committee when the winter is now over. But let me call your attention to what a few select committees of this kind have cost. I will not talk about the special committee that you provided for last night, chosen from the membership of the Committee on Agriculture—another junketing committee. That has just \$5,000 to expend. But you had another so-called agricultural one not long ago that traveled over a large part of the United States. Here is what it cost the people of this country: It cost \$10,913.21. Those figures are correct, because I got them from the office of my good friend, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. Madden), and his figures are always correct when you go to his expert bookkeeper in there and get them. (Laughter.)

Now, let me tell you what the distinguished Joe Walsh committee cost, the committee that went out to the Pacific coast in a special train of Pullman cars and lived in them for months

out there, from California to Seattle. Do you know how much that Joe Walsh junketing trip cost? It cost \$43,969.04. Tell me one single benefit that the people have ever gotten out of it. Then let me come down to the special junketing committee of the new floor leader of the House, my dear friend from Illinois (Mr. Graham).

It cost \$157,109.91. Ah, my colleagues, you ought to stop it. It is not right. It is not just to the people. Let me tell you what the Bergdoll committee cost—\$6,441.85. That report, filed by that distinguished committee, has been pigeonholed for over a year. That report recommended to Congress that it take action against the Army officers of our Government who let that infamous draft dodger escape. You have let that resolution sleep in the pigeonhole for months. You have not called it up. Why do you not call that up and take proper action on it before you call up another?

I do not blame the gentleman from Missouri for getting angry at me, because he knew what I was going to tell him. I plead guilty; I have kept you for two days from passing this resolution. I am not ashamed of it; I am going to the American people with my record on it. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the remainder of my time and yield five minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. Abernethy).

**SAFE FARMING BUILT AROUND SURPLUS OF FEED.**

This is the year when plans should be made for the building up of a new reserve feed supply to fill the stock lots and bins which will be exhausted before summer reaches us. A safe and profitable farming scheme in West Texas is built around a stored surplus of feed on the farm to tide over any emergency of low production. There are fewer stacks of feed to be found around the barns and also a smaller supply of grain in the bin than has been the case for several years. The normal reserve of both roughage and grain has been drawn upon both this year and last and before harvest time this fall not only will this reserve have disappeared, but in many cases the feed supply will have been exhausted.

This condition means that not only a normal acreage of feed should be planted but sufficient to replenish the reserve supply and have a year's needs ahead. This is one problem which most farmers will have in common this year and one which, aside from being a difficult one to solve, in the face of present inclinations and cotton flirtings around the 30-cent mark, it is apt to be one of considerable significance. This is certainly true if the decision is to put off for another year the matter of sowing a liberal acreage in feed crops. It is, however, going to take more than a forked pencil to figure out how the cotton area can be increased from 30 to 40 percent over last year and still increase the feed acreage above that of 1922 without enlarging the farm considerably. This is precisely the problem that farmers in general are facing now and it is to be hoped that the feed crop will not be slighted.—Progressive Farmer.

**CREATION OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

We believe this generation sorely needs religious guidance and inspiration. We think there is nothing it needs more, and with all due respect to the intentions of those who would reform by multiplying laws, we believe they are on the wrong path. Statutes and crusades for more machinery to force morality will never create righteousness. That must come from the heart and the enlightened mind, and it is the high privilege of the church to reach the heart and mind, not by way of the legislatures and the courts, but by the straight road of religious truth.

We in America, not merely the zealous reformers, but pretty much all of us, worship political machinery, and we are piling it higher and higher, until we no longer reach the forces of human life which dictate our fate. We must turn away from machinery to the realities of human character and intelligence if we are to be saved.

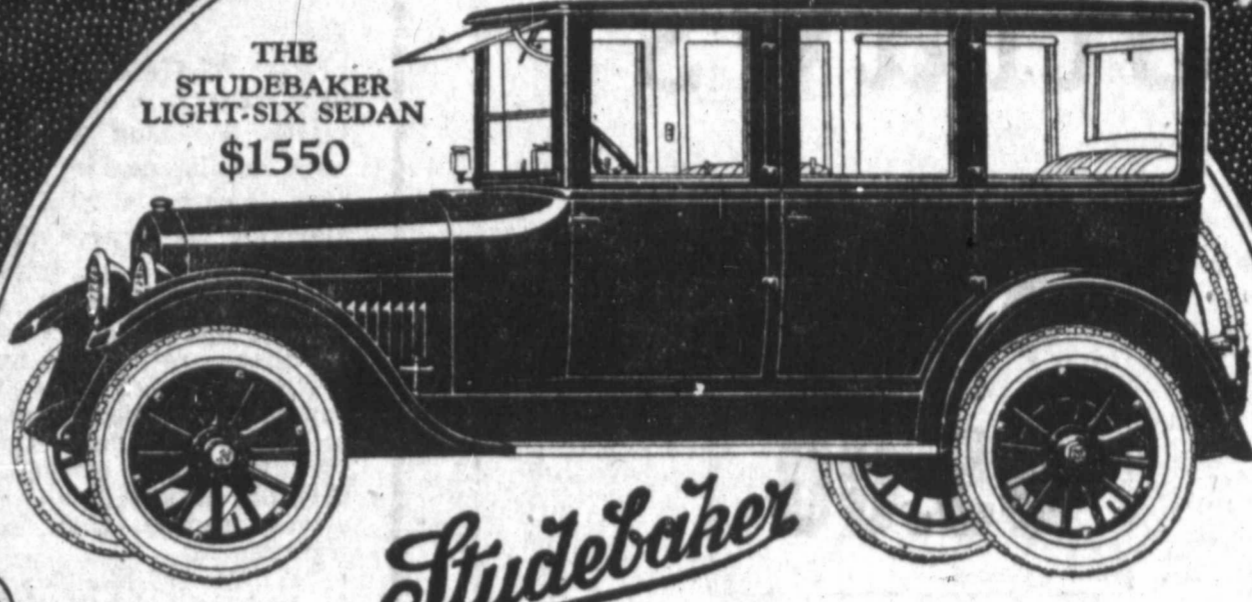
A citizenship inspired by the preacher of truth and righteousness will not have to be dragged on by reformers. A nation or city whose preachers are reaching the hearts of the people will not need clerical law enforcers; will not, in fact, need many laws save the law which has its sanction in the upright conscience. We try too much to lift ourselves by our bootstraps. The way of the good life is not built on statutes and ordinances. We can not be driven to salvation by political force. Christ did not spend his time in the antechamber of Caesar.—Chicago Tribune.

**O WOMAN! WOMAN! SO QUICKLY YOU FORGET!**

These women! These women! We men foster and defend them, care for and caress them, spread our cloaks before the muddy places that their little feet may ever go dryshod, and while we are lying on our beer—no, we didn't say lying about our beer—they start casting their dowagiacs into the matrimonial stream!

Consider Mrs. Tut. She had a good husband. The archeologists haven't been able to dig up an inch of scandal about him. Her every wish was gratified.

Did she get home late from the Lotus Leaf club? Not even a tut, tut from the patient man, who thus proved that, though dynasties rise and fall, though civilizations climb and crash, the inherent nobility, the sweet and unstained courtesy of the male, strong today, likewise purified the atoms



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where in centuries long gathered into the sarcophagus of time.

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Still, the Luxorian archeologists are all men; maybe if a woman went digging around, she'd find something on Tut.—Dallas Times-Herald.

**MORE TAXES AHEAD?**

Governor Neff called the "Taxing Legislature" together again April 16. It is hoped that they will speedily adjourn without doing much more damage to the people who bear the burdens of government than was done at the regular session.

At the regular "taxing session," the expenses of government were made so high that those who own homes are in danger of losing them and others will hesitate to acquire land or homes because they will not find it profitable to do so, even if they are able from former accumulations to pay the exorbitant taxes imposed. Governor Neff has announced the fact that the State faces a deficiency of \$6,000,000. This means more taxes.

There were good and competent men in both branches of the "Taxing Legislature," but they were so hopelessly in minority that they were unable to stem the orgy of extravagance of the majority. Lawyers caused additional courts to be established, to make places for other lawyers and add to their own fees. Other offices were created that favorites might be appointed to fill them.

The only hope of the taxpayer is to save what can be saved from the wreck and invest in nontaxable securities, or to emigrate to a country, if there be one, that is more economically and wisely governed. It is said that people get the kind of government they vote for, and they certainly have done it, city, county, State and nation.—Farm and Ranch.

**SENATOR CHANGED MIND.**

Editor Sam S. Miller of the Mineral Wells Index says: "Representative

Lee Rountree claims that his resolution calling for a constitutional convention was lost because one member of the State senate changed his mind. Lee should tell the name of this man for the general public has the impression that some of the didn't have any mind to change." All right, Sam. Senator Tom Pollard of Tyler is the senator who changed his mind and made the vote 14 to 14. What are you going to do about it? Senator Pollard declares his change of mind was made after due deliberation. You will remember that along about 1892 two judges on the supreme court of the United States changed their opinion on the constitutionality of the federal income tax. This change was made overnight. When the sun went down one afternoon the income was constitutional—when the sun rose next morning it was unconstitutional. So senator, jurors, men and women often change their minds and there are a few things that are safe and sacred amid the conflicts in the minds of men.—Bryan Eagle.

**FARMER GAINS NOTHING BY FEBRUARY ADVANCE IN CROPS.**

Rapid increases in the cost of living are accompanied by absolute as well as relative decreases in the prices of agricultural products, according to figures issued by the Department of Agriculture. The index figure representing the prices of six crops at the farm was 107 for February, 1923, against an average of 111 for 1922. The average price for ten leading crops at the farm in February is placed at 130 as an index number, compared with 126 in January, 1923, and with 131 in December, 1920. Republican politicians are attributing this increase to the effect of the Fordney-McCumber tariff. The fact is, however, that the average is helped by the rise in the price of cotton, upon which there is no tariff at all, and the increase in the price of corn, upon which the tariff can have no possible influence because only a few thousand bushels of that grain have ever been imported to this county. The advance in the prices of agricultural products came in the depth

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of winter months after the vast majority of farmers had sold their crops and when cotton, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, hay, fruit, etc., were safely in the hands of the speculators. There will be a big decline in prices, it is foreseen, during the season when the farmer is gathering and holding his crops at his own risk.

**MOST OF US ARE SUCKERS.**

Are the people still gullible? We don't care to answer the question, but look around and answer it yourself.

A patent medicine vender drives up, accompanied by a negro banjo picker and a dancer. After a few songs and dances the vender offers medicines for sale. Nobody knows anything about the medicines, or the maker thereof, and nobody is sick, yet the medicine is sold by the dozen bottles without trouble. Most of it is thrown away before the buyers reach their homes. Jewelry venders, watch and razor sellers work the same kind of spell and fill their coffers quickly, provided they are smooth speakers and have a good negro dancer. But consider the larger question of oil stocks.

The United States postoffice department has announced that scores of millions of good dollars have been lavishly handed out to fake oil promoters in Texas. Of course the postoffice department has found but a small part of the money sunk in the purchase of worthless oil stocks. Stock has been sold in concerns that never existed. All that was necessary was to have stock certificates printed and show them to the people. The buyers did not wait to ascertain whether the companies were solvent, or whether they owned any property. The hook was offered them and they took it.—Honey Grove Signal.

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**LOCAL NEWS ITEMS**  
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Dr. W. W. Latham will leave this week for Chicago.

I have some farm tools for sale cheap. See me. Zenon Decuir. 2t.

C. L. Edmiston and B. F. Dent attended court at Palestine Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Wootters have returned from a brief vacation at Marlin.

Miss Ruby Evans of San Antonio is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Morrison.

H. J. Berry and Alvin Waller made a business trip to Houston Monday, returning Tuesday.

Rev. S. F. Tenney is expecting to preach at Oakland church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Katie King was at home from Austin, where she is a student of Texas University, from Friday until Sunday.

Dr. P. R. Denman of Houston was here last week to assist local physicians in an appendicitis operation performed on Mrs. R. H. Lacy.

**Wanted.**

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

Mrs. Luther Eastham Jr. of Huntsville was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frankie Edmiston, Wednesday, coming and returning with the Huntsville Rotary Club.

**Notice, Men.**

Wanted—Log sawyers, good timber and good pay; also mill hands.  
R. L. Toliver,  
Crockett, Texas.

**Cemetery Day.**

Tuesday of next week has been selected for an all-day clean-up of both the old and the new Glenwood cemeteries. If interested, please confer with any member of the Crockett Cemetery Association.

**For Sale or Trade.**

Five residence lots, with new house and barn. Will trade for small farm if farm is not encumbered.  
C. W. Jones,  
Crockett, Texas.

**Bids Wanted.**

Bids will be received up to two o'clock the 18th day of May for the construction of a two-story brick school building to be let at Lovelady. Plans can be had by a deposit of ten dollars (\$10.00) with either C. T. Stevenson, president school board, or C. H. Leinbach, architect, Deere Bldg., Dallas, Texas. Usual rights reserved. It.

**Wanted.**

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

**Street Improvement.**

In order to divert as much traffic as possible to the railroad viaduct, the street intersecting Public avenue at the bottling works will be widened, graded and otherwise improved. The purpose of the city council is to divert as much traffic as possible from the dangerous crossing at the electric light plant to the viaduct and under the railroad.

**Rotary Club Here.**

The Huntsville Rotary Club was the guest of the Palestine Rotaries Wednesday at a noon-day luncheon. The Huntsville Club, travelling in automobiles, took breakfast in Crockett at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. The club was accompanied by the Sam Houston Normal Institute band and a concert was given in front of the Pickick hotel following breakfast. Returning from Palestine in the afternoon, supper was taken in Crockett and another concert given. A Houston county boy, Sam Barclay of Kennard, was a member of the band. The Palestine club will be the guest of the Huntsville club at a noon-day luncheon in Huntsville next Wednesday. A Rotary Club for Crockett is being advocated.

**Missionary Society Notes.**

Missionary Society of Methodist church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in business and devotional session combined.

Devotional was led by Mesdames J. E. Ellis, Jno. McConnell and Tom Hairston. Closing prayer by Mrs. G. H. Henderson.

The May fete given last Friday afternoon was altogether a big success, and not only those who participated, but those who looked on as well, expressed themselves as having a wonderful time.

Mis Hulamae English was crowned the Queen of the May, and very pretty she looked on this occasion. She is one of the very pretty girls of the graduating class.

Plans were discussed and committees named to prepare for the May sale the Methodists are to put on Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, at the Henry Ellis office building, he has so graciously offered the whole building for this affair, for which we are very grateful.

There will be a number of unusual features on display during this sale, booths of ready to wear, groceries, toilet articles, candy, pot flowers, etc. Among other things will be ice tea, sandwiches and ice cream. And we have especially remembered the sweet girl graduate at this time—the time toward which she has striven for years, likewise the boys, too. Nothing quite fits the spirit of the occasion like a nice gift for them.  
Superintendent of Publicity.

**Raton Police Chief Killed by Youngsters.**

Two men giving the names of Clyde Norman and Oscar Brigrance were arrested near Maxwell, Sunday night, for the alleged slaying of Oscar Davis, chief of the Raton police. The former is alleged to have confessed firing the two shots that killed the officer Friday night last when in the act of arresting the men for speeding about town in a Nash car. Beatrice Cleland, aged 13, Ollie Ferfas, aged 15, Dorothy Wersonick, aged 16, and Frances Ross, aged 16, Raton girls, were with the men in the car at the time. The girls had been invited to ride in the car.—Clayton (N. M.) News.

## CARELESS HABITS GET BLAME FOR TRAFFIC SMASHUPS

With the registration of automobiles increasing at a surprising rate, with traffic becoming more complex and with intelligence in the operation of cars becoming a vital necessity, it is alarming to observe the indifference with which so many drivers regard the responsibility attendant upon the lawful and safe operation of a motor car. Machines are handled by the average driver as though they were no longer capable of inflicting personal injury or property damage. Sense of responsibility has been abandoned in the belief that cars will take care of themselves through their numerous improvements.

"With a car like this you can learn to drive in a few days," a car buyer told his wife. The salesman supported him by pointing out the ease of steering, the simplicity of the gear shift and the obvious efficiency of the brakes. The car was put into immediate service with a driver at the wheel who believed "there is nothing to it."

**Driver Blamed.**

A great sense of responsibility on the part of the driver was never more necessary. This is the one time in the history of motoring when the automobile's value as a safe means of transportation must be proved—and the opportunity is being thrown to the four winds. In every way those who drive cars ought to feel a deeper sense of responsibility. Unquestionably the newer cars are improved from the standpoint of performance, control and accuracy, but these advantages are offset by increased carelessness on the part of those who operate them. What it amounts to is this:

Automobile accidents are considered too lightly, drivers putting up the arguments that with so many cars in use one can not expect anything else. Any driver who expresses such an attitude of mind toward this matter of making automobiles more useful through making them safer ought to be reminded that he is expected to assume a greater responsibility, and he ought to be reminded in a way he is not likely to forget.

In Connecticut they are doing it in good shape by revoking more licenses than in previous years. In the month of March 277 Connecticut drivers lost the privilege of operating cars, and if they ever regain their driving rights they will tackle the job of piloting their cars with a sense of responsibility that is more in keeping with the times.

**Plan In Connecticut.**

In Connecticut every accident in which personal injury or property damage entails an expense in excess of \$10 must be reported to the commissioner of motor vehicles. Every applicant for a license is fully advised on this point, and those who are not examined take affidavit to the effect that they are conversant with this point of the law. Yet a large number of license revocations and suspensions are due to the failure of operators to report accidents. This is not because the drivers do not know what the law demands or that they fear interference from the State in the settlement of their personal differences, but because they believe these collisions are of no consequence.

There is the whole attitude in a nutshell. "It's quite all right to smash into things now and again. There are so many other cars on the road, what else can you expect? What if you are a little careless? The brakes are far better to prevent a serious collision and the cars are stronger in construction. Then there is the insurance. Full coverage; why worry? Bumpers front and rear. Non-skid tires, chains, loud horns, powerful headlights, and rear end signals." The driver thus seems to have less need for caution; his responsibilities being largely shared by the newer protective elements in motoring.

This is the attitude which few drivers would be honest enough to admit verbally, but which a majority of them are admitting in their actions. In other words, the let-up in his sense of responsibility is not expressed by the modern driver by theory, but by fact.—Safety Council.

**LOVE AND SCHOOL DAYS.**

Should love making at co-educational institutions be encouraged or merely tolerated? There seems to be a chance for an argument. One prominent educator expresses the belief that students may run their affairs of the heart and of the head as a matched team. They can become engaged in their school days and plan their matrimonial career while still studying together at college. It might tend to help each in shaping life's program. If the girl is strong for mathematics and commercial law, the boy can take up domestic economy and become the housekeeper. The woman may be worth more than the man in the business world. If the pupils become engaged in their college days, they can thrash over their finances and responsibilities together and determine what part each should strive to play in the drama of life. There is some meat in this argument, but if the university announces that love is going to be in the curriculum most of the pupils would be apt to specialize in this branch to the exclusion of other training.—Los Angeles Times.

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### LEASING OF CONVICT LABOR IS DENOUNCED

#### WOMEN ARE AGAINST SYSTEM; ANGLETON WOMAN IS PRESIDENT.

Beaumont, Texas, May 5.—Leasing of convict labor in Texas was placed under the ban of the fourth district convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, which today entered a "most solemn protest against the signing of contracts for convict labor which the club women were informed the state prison commission is about to execute."

A resolution by Mrs. H. F. Thwing of Waco charges that the prison commission is about to lease convicts for the operation of East Texas mines. A Chicago shirt manufacturing concern is contracting for several hundred inmates of the Huntsville penitentiary for the manufacture of shirts "at the pitiful sum of 75c per dozen," the resolution stated.

**Source of Exploitations.**

"The convict lease system, whether in the form of a lease of the entire prison plant and the prison labor as existed in the state in the '70s and '80s, or in the form of hiring out the convicts to private employers, as existed in this state up to 1910 when the system was abolished by legislative enactment, has at all times and everywhere been the source of untold abuse, brutality and exploitation for private gain of these wards of the state," the convention resolved. The club women characterized the propos-

ed contracts as being only another method of accomplishing the same purposes as the old form which the people of Texas thought they were forever freed.

Shirt making by the convicts was especially condemned because it is a woman's trade outside of the prison.

**Other Matters Favored.**

The club women also endorsed the McMillen bill now pending before the legislature providing for the establishment of a psychopathic and maternity hospital near Dallas as an annex to the Texas Girls' Training School at Gainesville.

The convention also voted to work for the adoption of the state highway amendment to be voted on in the July primaries.

Resolutions included the suggestion that the Federated Clubs give due attention to Texas art and artists by the presentation of art programs.

The convention adjourned at noon after electing Mrs. A. R. Rucks of Angleton president of the Fourth District clubs. Mrs. Hal W. Greer of Beaumont and Mrs. W. C. Howell of Bryan were elected first and second vice presidents, respectively.

The I. W. W. strike at Galveston has not interfered with the movement of vessels. The right of members of the I. W. W. or any other organization to quit work when they desire is cheerfully accorded. But the people reserve the right to see that they do not interfere with others who desire to work. Enforce the right of all men to work wherever they can secure employment, and the popularity of the strike will wane.—Houston Post.

The Paris municipal tax on servants has raised about \$75,000,000 in six months.

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## CONSOLIDATING STATE DEPARTMENTS.

Consolidation of state departments, to which the governor has been committed ever since he took office, is again brought to the fore in his fourth message submitting fifteen new proposals to the legislature. Several bills providing for such consolidation have been before the lawmakers, but actual progress in making state government administration simpler, and hence more economical, has been negligible. The legislature seems extremely reluctant to undertake the abolishment of jobs which would follow consolidation of departments having duties which duplicate or dovetail.

Consolidation can be carried, of course, to a point where it becomes harmful to efficiency. A bill is in course of preparation, however, for creation of a state department of reclamation. Within this department would be merged the oil and gas division of the railroad commission; the game, fish and oyster department; the board of water engineers and the state reclamation department, which would bequeath its name to the new agency.

It is doubtful if all these activities are sufficiently related to be embraced within the functions of a single department. All are matters of conservation, but some of them in a more or less definite sense. Two, or possibly three, of them deal with co-ordinate problems. These are state board of water engineers and the state reclamation department, with the forestry department being conceded a problematical kinship.

The work of water conservation and flood prevention are inseparably related by natural laws. Water stored for irrigation purposes on the upper reaches of Texas streams reduce in proportion the liability of damaging overflows nearer the coast. Topographic and hydrographic surveys carried on by a single department can best be made to serve this dual purpose. Operation under a single department would have avoided the slight disagreement which recently developed between the reclamation department and the state board of water engineers over the \$600,000 appropriation for a state topographic and hydrographic survey.

The forestry department appears to be related to the other two only in so far as reforestation of water-sheds is a substantial ally of water conservation and flood control.

There may be technical difficulties in the way which do not appear to a layman, but at least the inherent possibilities of greater economy and efficiency make the practical phases of consolidation worthy of thorough investigation.—Galveston News.

## JOHN HOWARD PAYNE.

A reproduction of the home of John Howard Payne is being built near the Sherman monument south of the treasury. The structure is to serve as a bureau of information for Shrine women during Shrine Week, and as a feature of the better-home celebration which is one of Washington's coming observances. Later the John Howard Payne house will be removed to another site, and there it will remain.

The Joaquin Miller cabin is a place of interest and pilgrimage to many persons, and a reproduction of the New York home of the author of "Home, Sweet Home" will be a feature of high sentimental and instructional value, and it might be the inspiration which would cause building at the capital of duplicates of homes of Americans deserving such honor. The construction of a duplicate of the John Howard Payne home is going on, while London musicians are planning to observe on May 8 the hundredth anniversary of the public singing of "Home, Sweet Home" and there will be observance of the centenary in this country.

There are ties between Washington city and John Howard Payne of which some of our newer citizens do not know. Payne began touring the East and South as an actor in 1809, when he was 18 years old, and appeared in Washington. He went to England in 1813, was actor and playwright, and fame came to him through the song "Home, Sweet Home." He became well known in Washington in the early '40s, before being appointed United States consul to Tunis, and on his recall in 1845 he was a familiar figure

here while seeking appointment to a more agreeable post. He was re-appointed to Tunis, where he died in 1852.

Time did not stale "Home, Sweet Home." It became more popular as the years passed. It was played and sung in every home, and the great artists among musicians sang and played it. In the early '80s W. W. Corcoran of this city conceived the plan of removing Payne's remains from Tunis to Washington, and they were interred at Oak Hill cemetery Saturday, June 9, 1883, with solemn and distinguished honors. All the military and civic organizations that could be brought together here followed the hearse. The president, cabinet, justices of the supreme court, judges of the district courts and hundreds of dignitaries in church, state, army and navy attended the service. A marble monument topped by a bust of Payne stands above his grave.—Washington Star.

## Some Postscripts.

In India girls are often betrothed before birth.

In London women frequently are employed in serving writs.

Scientists tell us that the current of the Amazon is felt 150 miles at sea.

The animals of the greatest sociability are the animals of the highest intelligence.

MORAL LAXITY  
WAVE SWEEPS  
FRENCH CITIES

Paris, France, May 5.—The educational authorities of France are worried about what they consider a post-war moral laxity. They have discovered that an unusual number of students are cheating at examinations.

The minister of public instruction has taken the matter so seriously that he has seen fit to issue a circular advising parents to do something about it—to try to inculcate a greater regard for honesty in their offspring.

The street railway and omnibus authorities say that too many riders escape paying their fares. They have put up signs in their vehicles, calling attention to the fact that the law demands that people who, through the oversight of the conductor have not been asked for their fares, are nevertheless obligated to pay them.

A portion of the press is taking these matters seriously. Another section refuses to believe that there is more dishonesty today than there has been in the past. One commentator is of the opinion that while it may not be a great sin to cheat an examiner, or to steal a ride, it is a sad offense to boast of the exploit and to create a spirit of emulation in the community.

BRYAN SELECTS  
JOSEPHUS DANIELS  
FOR PRESIDENCY

Raleigh, N. C., April 30.—Josephus Daniels, former secretary of the navy, was suggested as the democratic nominee for the presidency by William Jennings Bryan in an address here last night.

Mr. Bryan said he would be glad to vote for the former navy secretary and believed he would poll more votes than any man suggested for the democratic nomination, and continued:

"New York and Indiana have been claiming the presidency and vice presidency on the ground that they are 'close' States, but I don't know when we ever carried them with a citizen of either State when we couldn't have carried them with a citizen of any other.

"I think it is time to quit selecting men from pivotal States and give the people of the United States an opportunity to vote for the man they want."

RATTLESNAKE  
DEMAND IS ON

Washington, May 5.—Rattlesnake season is bringing letters to the biological survey requesting the names of dealers in rattlesnakes, rattlesnake skins and rattlesnake oil. Unable to furnish names of any dealers, the department of agriculture says if anyone knows of a market for such things, it would like to obtain a list of dealers and the present market quotations.

Rochester, N. Y., May 5.—Peter Gruber of this city, nationally known for years as "Rattlesnake Pete," said tonight that current prices in the rattlesnake market were as follows: By the pound, live weight, 25 to 35 cents; by the piece, \$1 to \$5; by the den, \$100 up. Mr. Gruber said he knew several dealers besides himself, the chief of them W. A. King, of Brownsville, Texas, known as "Rattlesnake King," with whom he had dealt for 25 years.

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THOMAS BLANTON  
IS CHARGED WITH  
CRIMINAL LIBEL

GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENT AGAINST CONGRESSMAN.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 5.—Congressman Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene was charged by indictment with criminal libel in the report of the grand jury returned to the county clerk of Comanche county. A warrant has been issued for his arrest and sent to the sheriff of Taylor county. The warrant was forwarded last week, but no return had been made up to today, it was said in a report from Comanche.

The allegation of criminal libel is in connection with an article published in the Cisco Morning News on July 16, 1922, in which Blanton is alleged to have charged former Congressman Oscar Callaway with having urged his friends not to buy Liberty bonds during the World war, conserve food and sought to obstruct the selective draft law. Each of the above named clauses are made separate counts.

Blanton sued Callaway for \$52,500 in the district court of Shackelford county, alleging slander and seeking monetary relief. Suit has also been entered against the Cisco Morning News by Callaway in connection with the publication of the article upon which the Comanche indictment is based. Callaway asked \$50,000 of the Cisco paper.

Callaway is a former member of congress. He made an unsuccessful race against Blanton for congress in the last democratic primaries. Callaway's home is in Comanche.

Criminal libel is punishable by a fine and jail imprisonment.

The Taylor county sheriff's office has the warrant in the Blanton case, but as the congressman is in Washington, no effort has been made to serve it on him. It is understood here Congressman Blanton is spending the summer at the capital making a check of all government departments and bureaus.

Two hundred and thirty-eight miles of flower borders have been placed round the graves of British soldiers buried in France and Belgium.

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NEW YORK'S WET  
LAW REPEAL SENDS  
SCARE INTO DRYS

HAYNES DECLARES GOVERNMENT MUST MAKE UP FOR LOSS OF HELP.

Washington, May 5.—Although Prohibition Commissioner Haynes declared today there would be no let-down in prohibition enforcement in New York State, the general view here was that the action of the New York legislature in repealing the State enforcement code would make far more difficult the task of federal forces.

Mr. Haynes' view was that the action of the legislature would mean only that the federal government would have to provide in the largest measure possible agencies to make up the loss of "whatever co-operation may have been provided by the State." He said sufficient funds were available to increase the field force, but indicated that a survey to determine upon the extent of the increase would await an actual withdrawal of the State forces upon the signing of the repeal act by Governor Smith.

Chief concern of the enforcement officers was that with the State border patrol withdrawn, the "rum fleet" which has been active off the New York and New Jersey coasts might transfer their operation to Sanadian waters in the hope of finding easy access for their cargoes into New York across the international border.

With the active co-operation of the coast guard service, prohibition officials believed they were in a fair way to cut off the major portion of New York's present liquor supply from the sea. Should the "rum fleet" transfer its base to Canadian waters it was suggested that there might be a renewal of negotiations with the British government looking to its co-operation in the enforcement of the prohibition laws.

A writer in a recent issue of the Century magazine ventures the suggestion that the great business successes in the next half century "will be made by men who think of service first and profits last." That to most of the men of today, no doubt will look upon the prediction as something ridiculously preposterous. That will certainly be taken as a voice from the land of folly.

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NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL  
LESSONS TO BE USED

FUNDAMENTALISTS AT OUTS WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BOARD PUBLICATIONS.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 3.—What amounts to a virtual break between the international Sunday school lesson board and a large number of Sunday schools all over the world, occurred this afternoon at the fundamental congress meeting here, when the conference unanimously adopted the report of the Sunday school committee which recommended that the convention prepare and teach its own courses beginning October 1, 1923.

While a few Sunday schools in the United States have their own lesson courses, a majority of them have subscribed to the international lesson prepared by an interdenominational board. Action of the conference causes cessation of this course in all Sunday schools controlled by the world's fundamental congress.

Efforts will be made to establish the new fundamental course in England, and Dr. Arthur Carter, editor of the Baptist Witness in London, has announced he would launch a movement for adoption of the course in all Sunday schools in the British Empire.

Charge after charge was made during the day that many Sunday schools in the country were teaching lessons which did not admit the divinity of Christ, and some in which the Bible was never mentioned.

## Odd and Interesting.

Flies live as long as five years.

The nighthale's song may be heard at a distance of a mile on a calm night.

The dominion parliament has requested that no more British titles be conferred upon Canadians.

A golden eagle has been timed, and has been found to fly at the rate of more than a mile a minute.

E. Phillips Oppenheim, the English author, has written more than 75 full-length novels, besides countless short stories and articles.

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