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DEATH LIST IN MEXIA TRAGEDY STANDS AT NINE

COLLAPSE OF OPERA HOUSE LAST NIGHT IS BEING INVESTIGATED TO DETERMINE CAUSE—RUINS BEING SEARCHED

EXPLOSION ALLEGED

Several Claim To Have Heard Detonation Just Before Building Began to Fall—All in Structure Are Now Accounted For

By Associated Press. Mexia, Tex., Feb. 17.—The list of dead as a result of the collapse and explosion at the Mexia opera house last night stood unchanged at nine this morning.

Search of the ruins continued however, Chief of Police Patrick Richards thinking it possible others may have lost their lives in the disaster. An official investigation will follow quickly.

Chief Richards this morning said that in his opinion the collapse of the opera house was the result of an explosion. A majority of the persons in a position to know, he said, had made statements to the effect that an explosion took place and flames darted from the building before it came tumbling down.

All the persons who have been in the opera house have been accounted for. If any new victims are discovered it is expected they will be found in the debris of Ed Hill's restaurant where most of the fatalities occurred. The restaurant, caught in the rush of flames and the fall of brick and timber, was destroyed quickly. Hank Bevil, who escaped from the building with serious injuries thinks it possible that there were two or three negroes in the rear of the restaurant, who have not been accounted for. It there were any others killed they were transients.

Chief Richards says that all Mexia residents have been accounted for. The flames were extinguished early today.

An art exhibit for the benefit of the public schools was being given by the Mothers' Club in the vacant store room on the first floor of the opera house building and the crowd had just begun to gather when the upper floors fell in, crushing to death those who did not get away when the noise of the falling walls was first heard.

The known dead are:
A. B. WEINER, superintendent of Mexia schools.
MRS. WEINER.
O. C. BRUNTON.
OSCAR JOHANSON.
CLAUDE JOHANSON.
PAUL YELDELL.
RAY COX.
RAY HITT.
TOLLIE WOMACK.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Weiner escaped from the building with slight injuries. The other injured so far accounted for are:
Mrs. Roy Bass.
Mrs. G. N. Lyell.
Mrs. John Davis.
Workmen are removing the debris in an effort to discover if there are more bodies in the ruins.

The buildings destroyed are as follows:
Old opera house, two story brick.
Robertson & Bass, general mercantile store.
Ed Hill's restaurant.
M. W. Kemp's two story brick.

News of the disaster spread rapidly last night and there were many inquiries as to the extent of the loss of life. The telephone company called in all the available operators and gave information as fast as called for. The uptown wires of the Western Union were not out of commission temporarily and the railroad wires of the Houston & Texas Central was pressed into service.

The crowd for the night exhibition of pictures had just begun to assemble when the accident occurred. Professors Mrs. Weiner and their little four old girl and Professor Burton, representing the school faculty; Mrs. Kitchel, Mrs. Lyell and Mrs. Davis, representing the Mothers' Club, were inside the opera house, the exhibit being on the first floor of the building. The women were seriously burned, though it is believed they will recover.

Four of the white men who were killed were eating supper at the time in the Mecca Cafe and the negro, Tollie Womack, who met his death was cooking in the cafe at the time. Hank Bevil, seriously injured, was also an occupant of the cafe.

GROUND COVERED WITH ITALIAN DEAD

Austria Reports That Eighth Attack on Javarek Positions Is Repulsed

By Associated Press. Vienna, Feb. 17.—An Austrian statement under date of February 16 announces that the eighth attack by Italian outposts on the Austrian positions on Javarek was repulsed. The statement adds that the ground in front of the new Austrian positions in the Bombard district is covered with Italian dead.

MORE BRANDEIS CHARGES HEARD

HIS COURSE IN NEW ENGLAND RAILROAD CASES IS AILED TODAY.

ATTORNEY ON STAND

Says Nominee's Fees Was Paid By Collier's Weekly in Ballinger-Pinchot Case.

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 17.—Moorfield Storey, a Boston attorney, charged before the judicial subcommittee of the Senate today that Louis D. Brandeis helped to wreck the New York & New England Railroad in 1892 and 1893 with the result that it was absorbed by the New Haven road.

Asked as to Mr. Brandeis' reputation as a lawyer, Mr. Storey testified: "I think his reputation in the Boston bar is that he is a very capable, very energetic and to advance his objects, he is not scrupulous as to his methods, nor is he to be trusted."

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Tomorrow the committee plans to hear Austin G. Fox of New York, who is appearing as counsel for those opposed to Mr. Brandeis' confirmation. Mr. Storey's opening statement is to charge his clients expect to prove.

Storey had been summoned by the committee in its inquiry into the fitness of Mr. Brandeis for the supreme court. Senator Walsh told the witness that C. W. Barron of Boston had said Brandeis was once employed to help wreck the New England railroad.

"I think that is true," said Mr. Storey. "He proceeded to describe the New England as a competitor of the New Haven between Boston and New York."

"Shortly before the spring of 1892," he said, "the New Haven began to harass the New England, and the New Haven tracks. There was every indication that it was the purpose of the New Haven to destroy the New England."

"In the spring of 1892, Mr. Brandeis brought a series of suits against the New England in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. He was acting ostensibly for N. F. Goldsmith a Boston liquor dealer, small stockholders and some associates. The suits were designed to paralyze the financial operations of the New England railroad."

Mr. Storey testified that at the Massachusetts legislature probe of the regulation of the New Haven and the New England Brandeis refused to tell who were his clients unless Storey agreed that the suits should not be used in the suits. Storey said he could not consent.

"It is apparent to me," said Storey, "that it was clear to Mr. Brandeis that the ostensible parties to the suits were not the real parties and that he made his charges to, and took orders from another source which may have been the New Haven. The result was that the New England was wrecked."

Chairman Chilton wanted to know what was the specific complaint against Mr. Brandeis. Mr. Storey responded that he considered it useless to call for a list of names, as the proof of which would prejudice his case in court. Senator Chilton suggested that the incident took place some 20 years ago, but Storey charged that Brandeis had done the same thing in the more recent Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry.

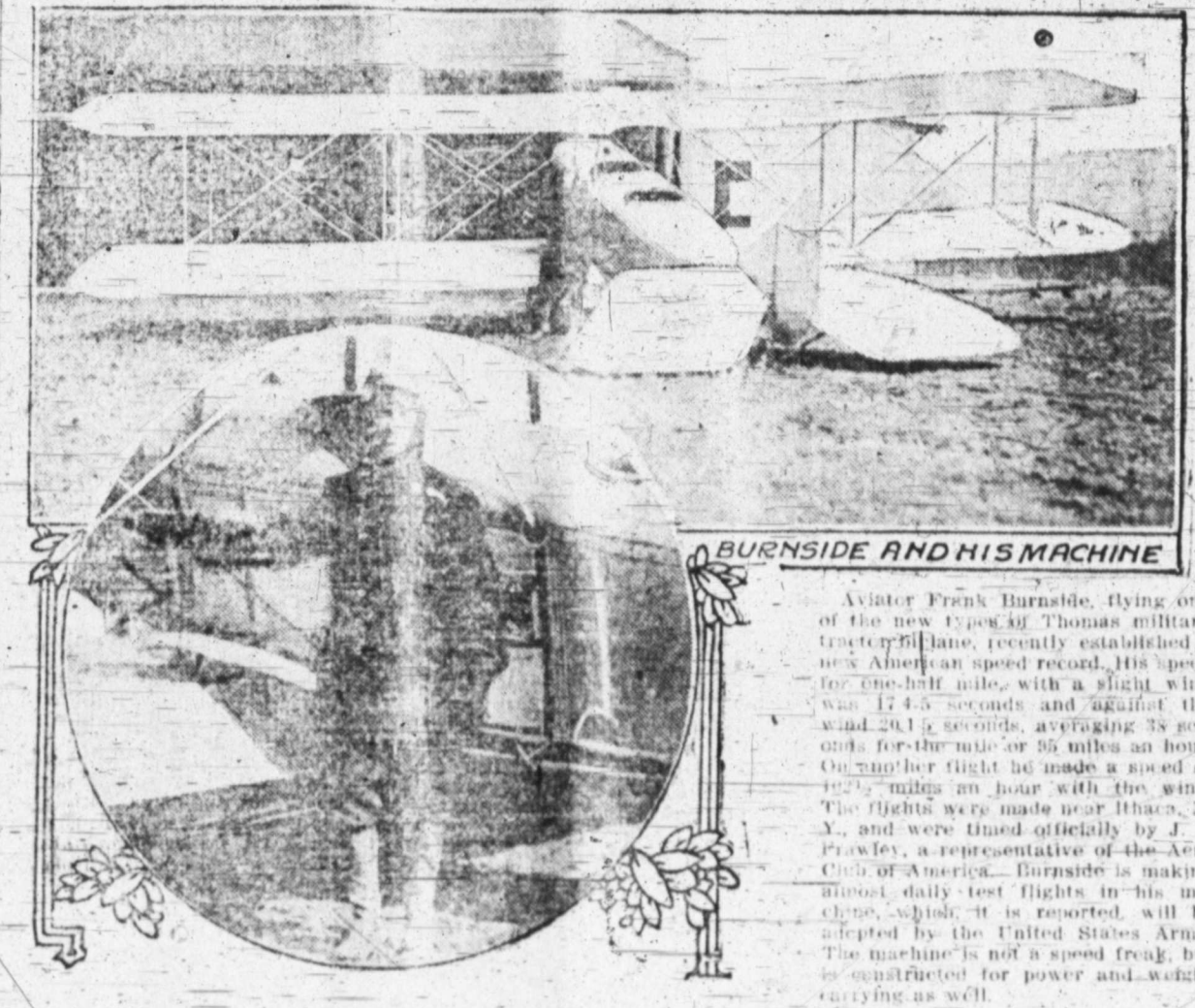
"Mr. Brandeis announced that he would appear for Mr. Glavis, whereas he was paid by Collier's Weekly," declared Mr. Storey.

"How do you know by whom he was paid?" asked Senator Walsh.

"Only by hearsay. In one man's mind it may mean one thing; in another's, something else. If you should ask the Emperor of Germany if he believed in preparedness he would answer 'yes.' If you should ask Mr. Bryan if he believed that the country should be prepared to defend itself, he would answer 'yes.' The question of preparedness then becomes one of degree."

"I have many letters in Texas telling my constituents my stand. I have not changed. I have said to each letter that I could not support any bill that had in it the continental army scheme. I am glad to think how that the continental army part of the program has been abandoned, and with the going of Secretary Garrison all talk of compulsory military service, which is so odious, has ceased. I believe now that the Committee on Military Affairs will report a bill that practically all can agree upon. I have believed for a long time that we should have some additional defensive preparations. I think we should have a good supply of ammunition on hand. Our coast defenses should be strengthened. The State Militia strengthened. I know if we are ever to need an army of any proportion that it will be a volunteer army. I therefore, favor an increase in the officers of the regular army that we may have them ready to drill and equip the volunteer forces. I believe that we should have an adequate navy, but this does not mean that I believe that we should have the greatest navy in the world. We should increase the number of coast submarines. The present war has proven that a \$20,000,000 superdreadnought can not stand against a \$500,000 submarine. I am, therefore, in fa-

NEW MILITARY BIPLANE, DRIVEN BY BURNSIDE, BREAKS AMERICAN RECORDS



BURNSIDE AND HIS MACHINE

A winter Frank Burnside, flying one of the new type of Thomas military tractor biplane, recently established a new American speed record. His speed for one-half mile, with a slight wind was 17.5 seconds and against the wind 20.12 seconds, averaging 38 seconds for the mile or 85 miles an hour. On another flight he made a speed of 102.5 miles an hour with the wind. The flights were made near Ithaca, N. Y., and were timed officially by J. J. Crowley, a representative of the Aero Club of America. Burnside is making almost daily test flights in his machine, which it is reported will be adopted by the United States Army. The machine is not a speed freak, but is constructed for power and weight carrying as well.

FIRING ACROSS BORDER CHARGED

AMERICAN TROOPS ALLEGED TO HAVE SHOT AT MEXICANS RECENTLY

INQUIRY UNDER WAY

No One Injured and Party on Mexican Side Hastily Retreats Into Brush

By Associated Press. Brownsville, Tex., Feb. 17.—An inquiry into an alleged firing across the Rio Grande at a party of American troops, which was reported yesterday, was held before Colonel A. P. Blockson, commandant of Fort Brown, here today, by the local Mexican consul. The consul said that Mexican troops were about to fire an illegal shot when the United States soldiers opened fire on them. None was injured and all retreated hastily into the brush. The charge is being investigated.

RAYBURN SAYS HE IS BETWEEN BILLS

Favors Preparedness Plan Between Williams of Germany and Nebraska

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 17.—Representative Rayburn has made the following statement on the question of national defense: "The world is capable of many meanings. In one man's mind it may mean one thing; in another's, something else. If you should ask the Emperor of Germany if he believed in preparedness he would answer 'yes.' If you should ask Mr. Bryan if he believed that the country should be prepared to defend itself, he would answer 'yes.' The question of preparedness then becomes one of degree."

WILLARD AND MORAN WILL MEET MARCH 25TH

By Associated Press. Chicago, Feb. 17.—March 25th has been set as the date for the ten round bout between champion, Jess Willard and Frank Moran, after Tex Rickard over the telephone from New York agreed to a postponement declared to be necessary by Willard and his manager Tom Jones because of a cold which the champion has contracted. The bout will be held in Madison Square Garden, New York.

LORIMER'S CASE IS CALLED IN CHICAGO

To Be Tried on Charges Growing Out of Failure of Trust and Savings Bank

By Associated Press. Chicago, Feb. 17.—Selection of a jury to try William Lorimer on charges growing out of the failure of the LaSalle street Trust & Savings Bank began today in the Chicago criminal court. It is estimated that from two to three weeks will be required to complete the panel.

GERMANY'S VIEW CAPTURE 100,000 PRISONERS WHEN ERZERUM FALLS

LUSITANIA CASE AGREEMENT IS REACHED WITH ACTION TODAY.

ARMING OF LINERS

Further Assurances From Germany Are Requested on This Issue.

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 17.—Secretary Lansing today accepted the Lusitania agreement on behalf of the United States as far as it relates to that case, but asked Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador for assurance that Germany will not carry its policy of sinking merchant ships without warning even if they carry defensive armament.

The question of what constitutes defensive armament is to be determined later in a way not yet agreed upon. It is suggested that the United States may propose that guns mounted on the stern of a ship and capable of being swung from 15 to 30 degrees in either direction might count without classifying the ship as a merchant vessel. The suggestion of the United States, as it now stands, that liners carrying arms shall be immune from attack under previous arrangements, expects some assurance from the German government.

The Austrian notice of intention to attack armed merchant ships, as subject to attack without warning was received today by the state department from Ambassador Penfold in Vienna. It is dated February 16 and is in line with the German declaration on the same subject.

GIVES UP ALL TO PAY DEPOSITORS

FORT WORTH WOMAN DEPOSITS PROPERTY TO DEFUNCT BANK.

HUSBAND SUICIDED

Ended His Life When Institution Failed and Wife Gives Up Home.

By Associated Press. Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 17.—Mrs. E. E. Dalridge whose husband killed himself the day the Fort Worth Savings Bank & Trust Company failed last night, decided to pay the depositors today her "home," \$10,000 cash and an automobile, virtually all she had left. The transfers were made through the bank receiver and the money will go to the depositors first, about 700 depositors were aided by the failure.

PLOT BY MEXICANS IN TEXAS ALLEGED

End To Have Planned Expedition Into Mexico to Embarrass Carranza Government

By Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 17.—Private advices to the war department today tell of an alleged plan of Mexicans on the American side of the border for an expedition to cross into northern Mexico to embarrass the Carranza government. Major General Funston, commanding the American forces on the border has been notified to take steps to prevent any violations of American neutrality.

BEGIN INQUIRY ON MISUSE OF PASSES

Cotton Belt Officials Are on Stand in Hearing at Dallas Today

By Associated Press. Dallas, Tex., Feb. 17.—Cotton Belt officials were on the stand at the beginning of the Interstate Commerce Commission's investigation of alleged misuse of passes in Texas which opened here today. Examiner Eddy today in charge. The meeting is in the Palm garden of a local hotel with many railroad men in attendance. J. E. Lebane of the Cotton Belt was the first witness and was followed by J. W. Everman, vice president and general manager of the road. They were questioned closely by investigator Van Zandt for the commission while Judge E. B. Perkins examined them on behalf of the railroad.

WILL LEARN WHERE DRINK IS TO BLAME

Anti-Saloon League Plans Canvass of Penitentiaries for This Purpose.

By Associated Press. Dallas, Tex., Feb. 17.—Under the direction of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas, with Dallas headquarters, a canvass of the state's penal institutions will be made to ascertain how many of the prisoners confined are convicted of crimes for which intoxicating liquors were responsible.

It is not probable that the canvass will be started immediately, but will be made shortly after the annual convention of the League in Dallas, March 13-15.

According to Dr. A. J. Barton, superintendent such a survey has never been made in Texas.

"We are interested in this canvass," he said, "for we intend to use these statistics in our campaigns for state-wide prohibition."

ANOTHER GRANDSON FOR EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., Feb. 17.—A cable gram from Buenos Aires, Argentina announces the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt.

TURKS LOSE LARGE FORCE OF MEN WHEN RUSSIANS TAKE IMPORTANT FORTRESS—1,000 GUNS ARE ALSO TAKEN

KEY TO ASIA MINOR

Victory Expected to Have Material Effect Upon Operations in Other Eastern Fronts—Little Activity Reported in West

By Associated Press. London, Feb. 17.—The fall of Erzerum carried with it the capture of the Turkish garrison of 100,000 men, according to official estimates given out today in Petrograd. It is also estimated that more than 1,000 guns were captured. With the capture of Erzerum by the Russians the scene of war operations has shifted its center momentarily to the fields of warfare in Armenia. Persia and Mesopotamia where the campaigns are expected to be notably influenced in their course by the fall of the Turkish strong hold.

The official Turkish statement gives no clue as to the course of events following the capture of the fortress and indeed does not record that happening. The only mention of the operations in this field is the declaration that the Russians in the fighting of the three days preceding lost 5,000 dead and 60 prisoners. Unofficial advices from Petrograd say the Turkish army is fleeing westward of Erzerum through a difficult mountain region.

Military observers in allied capitals who regard Erzerum as the key to Asia Minor expect the Russian success to facilitate the capture of Trebizond on the Black Sea coast to the north, giving possession to the Turkish gateway from Asia into Europe, while the Turkish forces throughout Armenia will be put in jeopardy and the pressure on the British in Mesopotamia will be relieved, it is argued.

Operations on a large scale by the Russians now will be possible for the forces of Grand Duke Nicholas, it is declared. According to the official account, the British Mesopotamian forces have been heavy sufferers in the recent fighting. The British losses in the battle of Bathia west of Cerna aggregated 2,000, it is stated.

Fighting on the western front has lessened. In fact, it is probably because of the prevailing bad weather and similar conditions prevail in Russia.

HOLLAND SUFFERS IN SEVERE STORM

Much Damage is Reported and City of Amsterdam May Be in Danger

By Associated Press. Amsterdam, Feb. 17.—The northwesterly storm is still blowing with undiminished violence and the situation is described as critical. Reports of damage done at various places are raising great apprehension. Maastricht has suffered considerably. The railway embankment between Purmerend and Oostzaal has been destroyed threatening a fresh catastrophe. Breaking of dikes eight miles southwest of Amsterdam appears inevitable.

BEASTS SHARING REFUGE ON LEVEES

Embankments in Flooded Section Occupied by Snakes, Wolves and Human Beings

By Associated Press. Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 17.—Levees along the lower Arkansas have a motley population according to the Rev. A. E. Lyman, Wheatley of Lake Villa, and others who traversed the eastern embankments recently. Deer and wolves driven from the lowlands, hundreds of snakes, thousands of rabbits and many negroes and whites still are congregated on the remnants. Work of rehabilitation in both the Arkansas and White river valleys is proceeding with celerity.

FLOOD WATERS POUR THROUGH LEVEE BREAK

Natchez, Miss., Feb. 17.—The headwaters of the flood which is pouring through the Mississippi levee break reached St. Joseph today and was running southward toward Waterproof and Ferriday, according to reports received here. Engineers believe the entire Tensas basin will be covered with water by tomorrow night. St. Joseph is protected by a back levee and only a small part of that town was inundated. Every effort is being made to expedite the rescue of refugees in all sections of the flooded district.

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WICHITAN OWNS OLD NEWSPAPER

TENNESSEE SENTINEL OF 1839 PROVES VERY INTERESTING RELIC.

AS TO PREPAREDNESS

National Defense and "Pork Barrel" Methods Discussed Then As Now.

J. T. A. Fleming brought to the Times office yesterday an interesting relic of the days of long ago in the form of a copy of the Tennessee Sentinel of the issue of May 25, 1839, published at Jonesboro, Tenn. The four page paper is in a good state of preservation and the name "The Sentinel" Mr. Fleming's brother-in-law, long since dead appears on the margin. The paper printed as its motto, "Union, Harmony, Self Denial, Concession, Everything for the Cause, Nothing for Men." Under its masthead appears the announcement: "Democratic Candidate for Governor, James K. Polk, of Maury County, Tenn." The paper was "Printed and published weekly by L. and F. Gifford, on the corner east of the court house." It has been in the possession of the Millard and Fleming families for seventy-seven years.

A considerable part of the paper is given over to notices of sale, horses and live stock notices, tavern and hotel announcements of a similar character. One announcement that must have been of particular interest at the time was the following:

"Sweepstakes over Bean's station course. The sweepstakes over this course will come off on the 15th of this month. Four entries and now closed. Also a mate will come off on the 29th of this month between Col. John McGee's mare, Ann Barrow, by Cook of the Rock, and Captain James Scroggs's stallion, Haywood, by Lawson. The prize money is \$1000. The winner will be made."

The Sentinel was Democratic in its politics and was an ardent champion of Congressman Murray. It devoted a large part of its space to reprinting his speeches in Congress. These speeches indicate "Pork barrelism" and questions of national defense were live topics seventy-seven years ago. It appears that the United States had but recently collected about seven million dollars, indemnity from France, Spain, Tripoli and other countries; growing out of transgressions of international law during the Napoleonic wars and the Tripolian piracy.

This money in the national treasury was a temptation to congressman, to judge from speeches by Mr. Murray, and it may be that pork barrel methods of appropriations had their start in the division of this spoil by the congressman among their districts. Speaking of this money, Murray is reported by the Sentinel as declaring "the banks were employing it in the most ruinous scheme of speculation. The people had paid it for no such purpose. If left in the treasury it was likely to tempt congressmen to spend it in a similar manner. A system of appropriations which was desirable to be avoided and much to be deprecated."

Relative to the preparedness issue Mr. Murray appears to have taken about the same stand as do some of the Texas congressmen of today and have believed that an American was as good as two or three persons of other nationality when it came to fighting. He declared that a "few necessary points well fortified and well fitted for the shelter and protection of our soldiers and seamen and for the preservation of our arms and ammunition will be acknowledged by all as indispensable. But to line our extensive frontier and coast with fortifications, to increase our armed establishment of the army and navy and to spend annual millions in the future to supply them with men and munitions and to repair their depredations is justifiable on no ground whatever."

Mr. Murray was with that class of citizens who scout the idea that any great preparation is necessary for national defense. "Whenever the patriotism and courage of our citizens," the Sentinel reports him as saying, "shall become unequal to its defense, then it will not be worth defending."

FARM AGENTS WILL MEET HERE MONDAY

Representatives of Federal Department of Agriculture to Hold Session.

Department of agriculture agents from a large number of West Texas counties will meet in Wichita Falls Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, for a general discussion of methods and exchange of experiences. The agricultural agents have been wanting to meet in Wichita Falls for some time, and this city was selected recently.

The sessions will be held in the parlors of the St. James hotel, and W. M. Gansser, Deaton, district agent, will preside. The program follows:

Monday.
9 to 9:30, opening and report for the district. Wm. Gansser; 9:30 to 10, preparation seed bed for growing wheat and small grains, J. W. Campbell; 10 to 10:30, growing legumes and peanuts, W. M. Midkiff; 10:30 to 11, contouring and terracing, R. E. Mann; 11 to 11:30, feeding live stock, L. T. Hunter; 11:30 to 12, general discussion; 1 to 1:30, how the Washington office helps in extension work, H. E. Savelly; 1:30 to 2, satisfying four counties, Harmon Benton; 2 to 2:30, marketing the Panhandle grain crops, Sam Williams; 2:30 to 3, build-

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ing the compost heap, J. T. Egan; 3 to 3:30, organization and marketing, A. M. Latham; 3:30 to 4, general discussion.
Tuesday.
9 to 9:30, how to select demonstration, J. L. Quicksall; 9:30 to 10, how to select private calves and pigs, W. C. Calvert; 10 to 10:30, how to interest farmers in growing peanuts, H. M. Means; 10:30 to 11, best gardens on the farm, Tom Marks; 11 to 11:30, how to succeed with a county exhibit, Dulin; 11:30 to 12, general discussion; 1 to 1:30, some things we should bear in mind, H. E. Savelly; 1:30 to 2, milk testing and handling the dairy cow, S. A. Minear; 2 to 2:30, the citizen's viewpoint, J. A. Kemp; 2:30 to 4, general discussion.
Wednesday.
9 to 10, hog cholera, Dr. Frank R. Jones; 10 to 10:30, smut in small grains, cotton anthracnose, Dr. F. H. Blodgett; 10:30 to 11, pig clubs and baby beef, C. C. French; 11 to 11:30, boys' agricultural clubs, H. H. Williams; 11:30 to 12, relation of the general office to agents, Seth B. Holman; closing by Mr. Gansser.

LOCAL DOGS WIN IN FIELD TRIALS

CAPTURE ALL THREE PRIZES IN DERBY EVENT HELD WEDNESDAY.

SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

All-Age Contest Being Held Today—Wichitan Chosen President of Association.

Wichita Falls bird dogs captured all honors in the derby event at the North Texas Amateur Field Trial at the Hagood ranch yesterday, winning first, second and third prizes in that event, and in the all-age contest, which is being held today. Wichita Falls canines are expected to take additional prizes.

The attendance at the trial is the best ever recorded at a similar event in Texas, a large gallery watching the dogs go out. The crowd is much larger than that at the professional field trials, held at the same place in 1909.

"Tag Day" a white English setter owned by Gus Wilfong of this city, won first prize in the derby for two year olds, there being six entries. Tag Day is by Antonio Sport out of Best-Rich Rodfield and the dog's performance yesterday was considered very classy indeed.

E. G. Hill of Wichita Falls is owner of the dogs winning the second and third prizes, Flirt taking second prize and E. Prince winning third. Today the all-age competition, which was started yesterday, is being completed. Three braces of this were run yesterday. Among the dogs still in the running are Count Jerry, owned by C. H. Woods of this city; Freck, owned by C. F. Schramm of this city and Cap Proctor owned by Fred Davis of Dallas. There are four more braces to be run today, and then a second elimination series will probably be necessary before the award can be made. H. F. Weldon of Bowie, a well known attorney, is judging the event.

Wichita Falls also captured the presidency of the association, the election being held at the lunch hour yesterday. Gus Wilfong was elected president, J. F. Strickland of Vernon second vice-president and E. A. Searight of Bowie secretary-treasurer. At a business meeting held in Henrietta the constitution and by-laws were adopted.

Dogs from a number of North Texas points are taking part in the trial, and the success of the affair has been a source of much gratification to those attending. It is certain that the trial will be repeated a year hence.

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WOODMEN CAMP ALMOST CERTAIN

LITTLE DOUBT THAT THIS CITY WILL BE CHOSEN FOR MEETING.

OFFICIALS PLEASED

State Manager McMill is Promised All Concessions Desired—2500 Woodmen Coming.

Little doubt remains that Wichita Falls will be chosen by the Woodmen of the World as the place for the annual encampment of the uniform rank of that order, which means that 2,500 or more Woodmen, many of them with their families, will gather in this city late in July of this year for a week's encampment.

R. H. McMill of Dallas, state manager, who was here yesterday, told local members that the encampment was almost certain to come to this city, there being practically no doubt that his recommendation will be approved by those in charge. Mr. McMill asked the Chamber of Commerce and Messrs. Kemp and Kell to make concessions for use of grounds at Lake Wichita, and everything he asked for in this connection was promised promptly by those concerned.

The encampment is similar to an army encampment in almost every particular. The camp grounds are to be located adjoining the baseball park at the lake, and the ball park itself will be as a drill and parade ground. About 600 tents will be erected, and camp routine will be along strict military lines, with frequent drills, maneuvers and parades.

Wichita Falls was asked only to furnish the camp grounds and to provide water supply. This was promised promptly and Mr. McMill stated that this city would have his urgent recommendation. He considers Lake Wichita an ideal site, the proximity to the railroad track being a pleasing feature. Groceries and supplies for the encampment will be bought here and the advantage of having 2,500 or more visitors at the Lake for a full week need not be pointed out.

The uniform rank of the Woodmen has many military features, the members being expertly drilled. Practically every camp of any size has its drill team, and these with few exceptions will participate in the encampment.

The meeting last night marked the close of the tri-county membership campaign which has been waged for several months between Clay, Archer and Wichita counties. At the next regular meeting of the camp the announcement of winners will be made and the prizes awarded.

WARM WEATHER IS BENEFIT TO WHEAT

Wheat is rapidly regaining the growth lost when the recent freezes filled most of it down to the roots, and with the beneficial weather of the past few days is beginning to look very promising, according to reports received from over the county. The roots were not injured, save in a few instances, by the extreme cold and the wet weather, followed by the recent warm spell, has started the wheat growing again, weather conditions being very favorable. A long spell of warm weather would not be beneficial, however, farmers believe, and they hope for more rain before long.

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The love of bygone dreams.
Again I wander to and fro
In the old familiar place,
And watch the sunlight come and go
On a well-beloved face.
I hear the bees hum round the flowers,
And through the fragrant air
The golden dust floats down in show-
ers
Upon that golden hair,
Oh, murmuring trees, oh, fragrant
breeze,
Oh, waving, whispering lines,
Oh, there to be again with thee—
My love of olden times.
—Unidentified

MISS GARDNER ENTERTAINS B. O. P. GIRLS WEDNESDAY

Miss Rhea Gardner was hostess to the Wednesday afternoon session of the B. O. P. Girls, the afternoon being spent in the usual pleasant manner. Music by Miss Stella Bachman, a guest was a feature and the hostess served a tempting fruit salad course, accompanied by a dessert. Mrs. Gardner, Miss Preston Moore, of Electra, and Miss Stella Bachman were guests. The members present being: Misses Fannie Minter, Mary Coffield, Marion Crabtree, Katherine Johnson, Inez Sander, Jewel Delaney, Beatrice Huey, Tull Stokes, Hazel Priche, Mrs. M. P. Kelly and Mrs. Glen Berry.

NEW IDEA CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS WEDNESDAY

Election of officers for the coming year was the chief business of the New Idea Club, meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Houston Simons, the old officers were re-elected, these being Mrs. J. J. Simon, president; Mrs. M. E. Carey, secretary and Mrs. T. E. Dolson, press reporter. Following the business session the usual social time was enjoyed. Refreshments consisting of pimento sandwiches, waldorf salad, coffee, ambrosia and water, stuffed dates and chocolate bonbons. The guests were Misses Edmontine Friberg, Mildred Bachman and Janiese Newton. The members present were Mesdames M. E. Carey, Bachman, G. E. Friberg, Goodale, Newton, Thornberry and Simon.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY

Wednesday being "Eats and Recipes Day" the Home Economics Club entertained a number of guests with luncheon at the high school. These informal luncheons are to be made a monthly feature of the Home Economics Club meetings and promise to be quite an attraction. The program was dispensed with Wednesday, the members answering roll call with recipes and good household hints. The luncheon menu consisted of pressed chicken salads, sandwiches, celery, pickle and a dessert course of caramel pudding with whipped cream. The guests enjoying the delightful affair were Mesdames Jungk, Harris, Hoffman, Carlthors, Reed of Quannah, Gohlke, Rountree, Urban, Liddell, Miller and Carpenter. The hostesses were Mesdames Schuierer, Nicholson, Wilson, Rhodes, Avis, Wilson, Rhodes, Kerr, Prossley, C. W. Bean, Leicham, Robertson and Bert Bean.

MERRYMAKERS MEET WITH MR. AND MRS. H. J. FENTON

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Fenton entertained the three table game of the Merry-makers Wednesday evening. The high score prizes went to Larkip and Mr. Cullinan, the ladies souvenir being a bridge set and the gentlemen's handkerchiefs. The refreshment menu consisted of pea salad, stuffed dates, sandwiches, olives and coffee. The members present included: Messrs. and Mesdames E. P. Greenwood, Frank Griffin, Strub Moore, W. B. Larkin and Frank Cullinan.

NEW CROCHET CLUB MEETS WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting of the New Crochet Club Wednesday afternoon was an exceptionally jolly one, the usual informal pleasures of sewing and conversation being in order. Much amusement was derived by the hostess humorous explanation of her solitary floral decorations, and the merriment thus begun was kept up throughout the afternoon. Refreshments consisted of fruit salad in orange baskets, sandwiches, celery, angel food cake and hot chocolate. Music by Mrs. John Chambers and Mrs. Woffard afforded additional entertainment. Mrs. Woffard was the club guest, the members present being: Mesdames Sammons, Bradley, Bauch, Wilson, Ziskind, Dukan, Zeidler, Hardy, J. Cohen, Prudep and John Chambers.

MISS BLAIR BRIDGE HOSTESS WEDNESDAY

Delightful club hospitality of the week was the meeting of the Mid Week Bridge Club Wednesday with Miss Kathleen Blair. Several substitutes played in the place of absent members, there being five tables arranged for the game. The souvenir, an accordion pleated chiffon camisole went to Miss Anne Carrigan in the general cut. A two course luncheon was served, consisting of fruit salad, nut sandwiches, cheese straws, olives, tea followed by ice cream and

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ENTRE NOUS CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY

Mrs. W. B. Jones was hostess Wednesday for the Entre Nous Club members and a few guests invited to share the afternoon of fancywork and informal chat. Delicious refreshments were served, consisting of fruit salad, sandwiches, potato chips and coffee. Guests were Mrs. McManery and Mrs. Hanks, the members present being: Mesdames McMillan, Shappell, W. W. Brown, Everton, E. H. Brown, Riggs, Quinn and Traveek.

MEETING OF MERRY MATRONS WEDNESDAY

The Merry Matrons spent a pleasant afternoon Wednesday with Mrs. J. H. Sides, it being the regular club meeting. Needlework and conversation were the order of the afternoon, the hostess serving delicious ice cream and cake before adjournment. Miss Moore, sister-of-the-hostess was a guest, the members present being: Mesdames Prothro, Pitchford, Walker, Gant, Raley, Wiley, Traylor, Hodge, Rudolph and Snow.

DELPHIAN SOCIETY STUDIES CELTIC LITERATURE

The Celtic literature of the middle ages furnished a most interesting study topic at the meeting of the Delphian Society Wednesday morning with Mrs. Frank Cullinan. Mrs. McDowell gave a paper on "The Dumb Youth." Mrs. M. M. Walker gave a story of "McPherson's Story of Ossian" and Mrs. Cullinan gave an interesting history of the Celts. The members present were: Misses Grace Nolan, Lillian Avis, Kathleen Stone-olpher, Mesdames W. S. Robertson, O. E. Maer, McDowell, T. B. Smith, W. M. Priddy, M. M. Walker, 1506, Taylor, Dent, Bean, Carver and Newton Maer.

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Mrs. Newton Maer will be hostess to the Unity Club Friday afternoon, the meeting place having been changed from Mrs. Zundelwitz as previously announced.

The music class of Miss Catherine Davis will give a recital Friday evening at the high school, auditorium at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

The dance to have been held this evening at the Elks' club has been postponed, owing to the death of one of the members, John Robertson.

SELECTING JURY FOR NEGRO'S TRIAL

Second Trial of Oscar Wells, Who Killed Two Men, is Now Under Way

The trial of Oscar Wells, negro, under indictment for murder in connection with the killing of "Kid" Hopper in a negro barbershop last August, began this afternoon in the 7th district court. A judicial venire had been summoned for the trial, and selection of a jury is now in progress; it is expected that the taking of testimony will start tomorrow. Wells killed Hopper and another negro, George Johnson with a pistol; he had had trouble with them the day before and at his first trial, which resulted in a hung jury, his plea was self defense and threats. He has not yet been tried on the charge of killing Johnson, the first trial being on the Hopper case, of which today's proceeding is the second trial. Wells is represented by the firm of Fitzgerald & Cox. Both Hopper and Johnson sustained fatal wounds at Wells' hands, both dying within a few days.

MANY ARCHITECTS FOR COURT HOUSE

Commissioners Will Hear Applicants Tomorrow and Make Selection

Architects from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and a number of Texas and Oklahoma points will tomorrow morning present to the county commissioners their claims for position of architect for the new court house. About a dozen have indicated their desire for the work and competition promises to be notified as the contract is one of more than ordinary size. It is estimated that at least \$200,000 will be expended in the building proper, and on this basis, the architect who is chosen tomorrow will receive five per cent of the total contract price or probably close to \$10,000. Several of the applicants will probably present sketches and designs in submitting their claims. Some of the foremost architects of the southwest are among those who will apply. The selection of an architect will be made by the commissioners, after all applicants have been heard.

CHANGE TO BE MADE IN JEFFERSON HIGHWAY

Greenville, Tex., Feb. 17.—Delegates from fifteen Texas counties, who previously met here, and who are attending the national convention of the Jefferson Highway Association in Kansas City today, will urge that the proposed route of the highway from Greenville east to Sulphur Springs, thence south to Longview and east to Marshall and Shreveport will be tentatively adopted. At a meeting here a few

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Henry Ford has announced his intention of spending several million dollars in an educational campaign against war and preparedness. There are plenty of teachers and publicists who need the money.

Richard L. Metcalf, for twenty-eight years intimately associated in journalistic and publication work with William Jennings Bryan, the pacifist, has challenged the latter to a series of debates in Nebraska on the subject of preparedness. He made no mention in his challenge about gate receipts.

Duck hunting, quail hunting and dog trial days are over. Fishing days and baseball are just ahead. The seasons are ever changing and with them man's recreation and play. There's a time and season for every sport but the enjoyment of talking about them all is constant.

With May wheat futures quoted at \$1.30 1/2 and July at \$1.23 and most of the cotton patches in the county sown in wheat, Wichita county farmers are not worrying a great deal over the cotton contract question. Pretty soon they will begin to take sharp interest in the reports that come from the sisal growing states of Mexico. Any intimation of a strike in the sisal industry is going to bring a protest from up this way.

Premier Lloyd told the British parliament the other day that the war expenses of England were nearly five million pounds daily or nearly \$25,000,000. Premier Asquith did not minimize the terrible drain on the resources of the empire and said he did not hope that the country would recover in this generation. He said it was the determination of Great Britain to carry the war to the end no matter what the cost and there was greater confidence now in the final outcome than ever before. Earlier in the war statisticians had estimated that the conflict was costing \$40,000,000 daily. If the expenditures of the other nations engaged in the war have increased in anything like the ratio of Great Britain's it will be seen that the expenditures are far in excess of \$40,000,000 daily and are now probably nearer twice that sum.

The Fort Worth Record says it is not opposed to preparedness but declares itself "opposed to taxing the American people for the sole benefit of munitions manufacturers and the holders of foreign war bonds." On the same grounds had the Record been published east of the Mississippi to have been consistent it would have been opposed to the sending of troops to the border to prevent an invasion from Mexico, because some border towns expect some financial benefits from the presence of the soldiers. Preparedness can be urged only as a measure to prevent war. It is on this ground that President Wilson is

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asking it. Some manufacturers and some cities will receive financial benefits if the country is to be prepared for national defense. All of us will be losers unless the country is prepared.

Without apparently diminishing the supply here the United States has shipped to Europe since the war started considerably more than half a million horses—the number exported from August, 1914 to October, 1915 being 469,858—no figures being available for the last three months and a half. Most of these horses, of course, have been bought for military purposes and while the supply of horses in this country is abundant, the supply of animals best suited for military purposes is by no means as plentiful as a year ago. The breeding stock, however, has not been depleted and the war had no sooner started with the consequent demand for horses than the breeding of animals adapted to wars was begun. If there is a considerable increase in the armed forces of the United States no difficulty is apprehended in supplying this force with horses filling the requirements of military needs.

The Times yesterday published a speech by Senator Root before the New York state Republican convention in which he assailed the record of the Democratic national administration. Himself a former secretary of state and secretary of war and a member of the National Senate and a man of great ability and intellect of the course of President Wilson and of the Democrats was the most powerful criticism that has yet come forth and his pledge of the Republican party to a course different from that he criticized was made with such force and conviction that one could almost believe there was vitality and power in that party. It was not necessary, however, to read further than the same issue of the paper in which Root's speech appeared to learn that the Republican party isn't prepared for the blood and iron policy, which, if anything, can carry it to victory, for yesterday's dispatches told that the convention refused to endorse Root for the presidential nomination and instead endorsed Governor Whitman, a man whose administration in Governor of New York has emphasized home of the qualities of a statesman and a president such as a party as desired by Senator Root calls for. The Republicans, as things stand now, have little chance of winning in the coming election, and this is the best the New York convention yesterday presented as auspicious for Republican success.

SENATOR BAILEY AGAINST PREPAREDNESS. (Houston Post) In an interview while in Denver last week, former Senator Joseph W. Bailey deprecated the agitation for preparedness, believing it quite unnecessary. Briefly, stated, the former senator believes that the present European war will leave all the participants exhausted and flat on their backs, and that none of them will be able to carry on a war for fifty or one hundred years. He does not believe that any European nation will have its eyes on the United States. This is the opinion held by quite a group of distinguished men as well as by a respectable group of citizens, and Senator Bailey's inclusion in the ranks of that body of citizens adds much to its quality and respectability. And, in disagreeing with Senator Bailey, with whom it is in harmony on most questions, the Post attributes to him the best motives and an utter absence of selfish considerations. But at the same time, the Post is utterly unable to accept his opinion in this instance or even his point of view. "As others who agreed with him have done, Senator Bailey speaks from a position, not from knowledge. He merely looks at the structure of our fabric of civilization and beholds no danger of fire. He sees the conflagration raging all around us, but feels sure that there is no danger of ignition. If, stated differently, he scans the firmament and beholds no clouds that

indicate the approach of a storm, so he believes that no storm is ahead. But he does not know that the conflagration may not soon envelope our own house, nor does he know that another day will not bring the storm upon us.

Fires and cyclones and pestilence do not usually give much notice of their approach, nor does war.

They come suddenly and inflict incalculable damage, leaving the victims to regret they had not taken precautionary measures against them.

It has been the policy of the United States from the beginning of the government to maintain an army and navy for the security of the nation.

And that policy still exists. We have maintained the policy when the prospects of trouble were remote, even entirely beyond the range of vision.

We are beginning to understand now, with our boundaries vastly greater than they were in the beginning, and our population thirty times greater, that our protective measures are no longer adequate.

We have more to protect than we have equipment to protect with, and coincident with this discovery we find that there is danger all about us.

All of us are just as hopeful as Senator Bailey is that we are going to escape trouble, but we do not know that we shall be able to do so unless we are prepared to escape it.

We do know that it will be too late to prepare for our losses have been shattered, and we are still convinced that the ounce of prevention is not only better than the pound of cure, but far less expensive.

Senator Bailey is probably right in predicting exhaustion for the participants in the European war, but what kind of exhaustion?

There will be exhaustion of capital and there will be a loss of physical energy.

There will be universal poverty and tax burdens unprecedented in the history of the world. There will be an strong at the end of the war as they are now.

Economic exhaustion does not necessarily mean military exhaustion.

The participants may be decimated and bring the war to an end, and each one will have five times the number of trained and seasoned troops that it had when the war began.

Even without money one or a combination might conduct a campaign against the United States, if the latter were to play the ostrich and bury its head in the sand to hide from a possible enemy.

What they lacked in supplies or money they could obtain here if it happened to take no precaution against attack.

They have transports, they have ships, they have men and they have guns, and all are modern and efficient.

Nor can we assume that the present division of military power will remain for the war.

It is quite possible that their political differences may be eventually settled.

It is just as possible for England, Germany and France to unite after the present war, if a common interest impelled them to do so, as it was for Russia and Japan to unite ten years after their great war, when a common interest united them.

Moreover, we can not escape the fact that whatever controversy we might have with one of the European nations is a result of the postbellum readjustment would be a controversy affecting each and all of them.

If, for instance, we should have an issue with England over our Pan-American policy, we should be very likely to quarrel with Germany or France about the same question.

At any rate, we may be sure that if such issues do arise, there will be a common interest among the nations now at war, and that common interest will unite them if our condition is such as to render us practically helpless against attack.

In view of what has already happened in the world, and in view of what must be the ultimate condition in all the warring nations—that of economic exhaustion which Senator Bailey has prophesied—what would be the peril to the sole reservoir of capital that is left in the world if it were inadequately protected against attack?

Will we be safe to face a continent thorn of everything except military power if we are possessed of everything save military power?

Why, then is it piffle, as Senator Bailey calls it, to look at the situation in the world as it is and prepare against possibilities?

If Senator Bailey's guess is accurate and he merely guesses that we shall not be attacked—where are we injured when we strengthen our coast defenses, shorten the period of executing our naval program and make provision for an army that may be quickly assembled in sufficient force to repel invasion?

In view of the dangers through which we have passed and which may yet confront us, it seems to The Post we would be trifling with the life of the nation if so to neglect so inexpensive and so requisite a precaution. Senator Bailey will admit himself that if his view shall obtain, and nothing be done to strengthen the national defenses, the results would be irretrievably disastrous if events should prove that he misread the situation.

And how often do the forecasts of our wisest men go astray? If we do not know we are safe, are we justified in refusing to prepare against possible danger?

If we adopt the precautionary program and ten years hence the need of it is proven fictitious, we can stop the expense in a jiffy.

If we do not adopt the necessary precautions and it should prove that we were mistaken, we might not be able to stop the cost in a century.

Europe is going to expect much of us after the war—much more probable than we shall be willing to grant. Are we going to be in a position to grant what we deem to be within our ability, or shall we permit Europe to



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be in a position to compel us to grant what she chooses to exact? These are the questions that we must face in the peculiar situation which surrounds us in this day of a world conflagration.

NEGRO BOYD IS INDICTED FOR ATTACK ON NEGRO

Three of the six men indicted yesterday on felony charges by the grand jury are in custody. They are:

Charlie Boyd, negro, charged with assault to murder in connection with the attack on Lola Samuel, the negro who was stabbed early Tuesday.

Joe Brown, former porter at the First National Bank, charged with theft over \$50 in connection with the disappearance of some of the bank's funds.

Will Johnson, alias Will Jarvis, forgery and passing of forged instrument.

YEOMEN OBSERVE 19TH ANNIVERSARY

Meeting Held Last Night—Many From 'Out of City Here to Attend Celebration

Yeomen from a number of surrounding towns arrived here this afternoon to attend the anniversary celebration of the founding of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen, the first program being held Wednesday evening at the First Methodist Church. At this meeting which was open to the public and largely attended by yeomen and their friends, it had been expected to have the feature an address by J. W. Denison of Des Moines, Iowa, supreme lecturer for the order. Mr. Denison was unable to attend and the address on Fraternity was delivered by T. F. Hunter, a local lawyer who made a very able speech. The meeting was opened and closed by devotional services by Rev. C. C. Brannon, pastor of the First Methodist Church and W. W. Shiner, foreman of the local lodge made the address of welcome. The guest-of-the-evening, W. R. Shirley of Muskogee, Okla., a member of the supreme board of directors, made the final address, being the history of the yeomen since the organization in 1896.

The program was supplemented by three enjoyable musical numbers, C. J. Templeton riving violin selections while C. Barthold Machlin and Miss Madge Gravitt gave vocal numbers. Mrs. Templeton, Mrs. Machlin and Miss Katherine Gravitt played the various accompaniments.

Several of the high officials of the yeomen are to be present at the meeting tonight, including Joseph South of this city, state manager for this district, T. R. Somerville of Fort Worth, state manager for the entire Texas district, W. R. Shirley of Muskogee, a supreme director and C. E. Moran of Oklahoma City, state manager of Oklahoma.

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If Senator Bailey's guess is accurate and he merely guesses that we shall not be attacked—where are we injured when we strengthen our coast defenses, shorten the period of executing our naval program and make provision for an army that may be quickly assembled in sufficient force to repel invasion?

In view of the dangers through which we have passed and which may yet confront us, it seems to The Post we would be trifling with the life of the nation if so to neglect so inexpensive and so requisite a precaution. Senator Bailey will admit himself that if his view shall obtain, and nothing be done to strengthen the national defenses, the results would be irretrievably disastrous if events should prove that he misread the situation.

And how often do the forecasts of our wisest men go astray? If we do not know we are safe, are we justified in refusing to prepare against possible danger?

If we adopt the precautionary program and ten years hence the need of it is proven fictitious, we can stop the expense in a jiffy.

If we do not adopt the necessary precautions and it should prove that we were mistaken, we might not be able to stop the cost in a century.

Europe is going to expect much of us after the war—much more probable than we shall be willing to grant. Are we going to be in a position to grant what we deem to be within our ability, or shall we permit Europe to

FAVORITE

Here's the old reliable Favorite incubator, same that we have sold for seven years. We believe it the best for the money and ask you to see this Favorite incubator before you buy. Wichita Hardware Co. 804-806 Ohio Avenue.

THE DAWN OF FASHION

Grows More Brilliant Each Day At Our Store

New Spring Coats—Distinctive in line of fabrics and of notably high-class workmanship. The new spring coats are decidedly choice and a complete departure from previous season's styles favoring the Natty Norfolk model, loose ripple back, with extreme flare bottoms, with and without belts, long pointed collar and cuffs—priced from \$6.75 to \$18.50

New Spring Skirts—The new sport styles in shepherd checks and novelty plaids and stripes, also plain golfines, serges and poplins, with or without self belts, side or patch pockets, fancy button trimmed—priced from \$2.50 to \$10.00

More New Arrivals in Ladies' Spring Waists

Our early answer to the call of spring: New things that tell the tales of the thoughts of the world's style centers. You'll fall in love with these; they are so new and charming, different and practical; spring fashions show a decided change for the better of course, because they are so becoming. Of course you would like to see them. We want you to feel that you are welcome to just look and get style posted.

- Habutai Silk Waists in fancy stripes, priced at \$2.50
- Crepe De Chine Waists. A beautiful selection. Priced at \$2.50
- White Wash Waists in figured voile, in all sizes, priced at 69c to \$2.50



The act of purchase is an unquestioned manifestation of conviction. Nineteen-Sixteen Buick Valve-in-Head Motor Cars have been endorsed and purchased by the knowing motorists of every State in the Union. These Buick models, thousands of which are in use today, and other thousands under course of construction, are the most sought cars in America.

The Buick Company is not at the show this year with any new or untried models. It is here to exhibit the highest development of its time-tried and established product: for in the Nineteen-Sixteen models, Buick design reaches its highest efficiency and Buick construction and motor principles their most complete expression.

The buyer of the Buick Valve-in-Head Six has the experience of over 2,000 satisfied owners to back his judgment in choosing this particular model. He has the experience of over 200,000 owners to confirm his selection of a Buick car. Two vital considerations transformed him from a prospect to a purchaser. First, the type of motor car he purchased; second, the conviction that the Buick was the best motor car of that type.

And he has the additional satisfaction of knowing that in the building of his car, Buick engineers have followed the same time-proven principle that has distinguished Buick cars for fourteen years—the Valve-in-Head principle.

Never wavering, never deviating, absolutely sure of their ground, Buick engineers have developed the Valve-in-Head motor until today in the Nineteen-Sixteen Buick Six you get a power, a smoothness, a quickness of get-away, an ease of control not approached in any car under \$2,000.

Buick Valve-in-Head Sixes are manufactured in a variety of body styles, Roadsters, Touring Cars, Coupes, Inside Drive Sedans. In body design, finish and upholstery they fully measure up to the high mechanical standard of the well-proved Buick chassis.

Regardless of the car you buy or the price you pay, nowhere can you get greater value than the Nineteen-Sixteen Buick Valve-in-Head Six.

Wichita Buick Sales Company Phone 991 Wichita Falls, Texas

MOTHER'S CONGRESS ANNIVERSARY TODAY

Occasion To Be Marked With Observance of Child Welfare Day at High School

Today marks the silver anniversary of the founding of the Congress of Mothers and the beginning of child welfare work and as such it is being observed with appropriate programs all throughout the United States by mothers' clubs and other organizations interested in the well being of the child world.

The program consists of short addresses on the subject of child welfare and musical selections to be contributed by some of the leading musicians of the city.

PAPER DESCRIBES OIL MAN'S SCHEME

Charlie Brooks, Once of Electra, Mentioned in Saturday Evening Post Story

Charlie Brooks, remembered as one of the early operators in the Northwest Texas oil field, is mentioned in an article in this week's issue of the Saturday Evening Post, which is an interesting story about him.

The article in question deals with the Spindletop field, being entitled "Spindletop Top Field, It is Written by Lester Colby, formerly a Ft. Worth reporter, now working on the Houston Chronicle. The article quotes "Oil Boy" as saying:

"When they hit the water wells and the rains came, it was the muddiest spot in Christendom right here. Charlie Brooks got to worrying about all this oil going to waste. It was pouring in a river—everybody's oil—off to the Gulf.

U. S. HYDROAERPLANES TO BE SHIPPED TO MANILA

San Diego, Cal., February 17.—Four of the United States army's new hydroaeroplanes which have been given tests here, by Floyd Smith, a civilian aviator, are to be shipped to Manila for duty. It was announced today.

Several of the hydroaeroplanes are the largest in the service of the United States. They can be operated for about 500 miles without alighting for fuel.

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JOHN ROBERTSON'S FUNERAL IS HELD

Elks Officiate at Services This Afternoon—Body Buried in Riverside

The funeral of John Robertson, county tax assessor who died yesterday afternoon following a lingering illness, was held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the family residence on Lamar.

Burial was in Riverside, a large number of friends and acquaintances of Mr. Robertson and the family attending the body to its last resting place.

John Robertson was a very small boy when his father moved to Wichita Falls from Burlington, Texas, more than 30 years ago, before the coming of the Fort Worth & Denver Railway.

John was educated in the schools of this city, graduating from the Wichita Falls high school in 1909. He was fond of hunting and a frequent companion was a cigar maker named Johnson, who was then in business here.

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STATE PURE FOOD INSPECTOR HERE

Mrs. E. L. Darwin and Local Committee Busy—Has Some Criticisms

Mrs. E. L. Darwin of the state department of pure food today began an inspection of the food distribution points in this city, her visit to Wichita Falls at this time having been made at the request of the Civic League.

The inspection party reported a most courteous reception by the owners of places visited this morning and this afternoon and anticipate no difficulty in securing the merchants' promise to observe all the regulations of the state sanitary laws.

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IS IDENTIFIED BY CROOKED FINGER

Wichitan Meets Brother After Seventeen Years But Doesn't Recognize Him

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HASKELL RABBITS SENT TO CHICAGO

Carload of Cotton Tails is Shipped Today—Industry Growing in Texas

Rabbits from Northwest Texas will soon be served the epicures of Chicago and other large cities. Today a carload of dressed cottontails went forward from Haskell, on the Wichita Valley, through this city to a dealer in Chicago.

The rabbits are very plentiful in Northwest Texas counties this year and have been a common article on restaurant menus in this city. Until recently they were a novelty on the tables of restaurants in larger cities, but have been shipped from several Texas points this year, and at Haskell and other places the business has assumed important proportions.

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New Goods for Gifts ---Silverware and Cut Glass!

For Wedding and Easter Gifts we have provided a very rare assortment of the newer things in silverware and cut glass

Particularly new and beautiful is a line of delicate cut glass, mounted with sterling silver, in sets and single pieces. Very desirable, too, is our new line of silver in Sheffield sterling ware.

In cut glass probably every design that will be wanted is here. The stock is larger than ever before, and the variety of selection more elaborate.

It is our pleasure to show these goods, and we invite your inspection.

Art Loan & Jewelry Co. Jewelers and Opticians, 705 Ohio Avenue.

WE ARE PREPARED

To do any kind of auto work. To recharge storage batteries. To repair them. To overhaul electric starters. To guarantee our work.

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LADIES' TAKE CAPUDINE FOR ACHE AND PAIN RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO IT'S LIQUID-NOT NARCOTIC

SLIGHT AILMENTS Halton & Friedly's Optical Parlor

FURNITURE Buy, Sell, Exchange and Repair PONDER FURNITURE CO.

WE WILL HAVE FOR PLANTING PURPOSES A SMALL CAR OF MEBANE EARLY TRIUMPH PLANTING SEED.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms to couple, 711 Holiday; phone 1698.

"The People's Store"—602 Seventh St. Read tomorrow's advertisement.

MAJESTIC THEATRE TODAY! HELEN GIBSON

In a Thrilling Railroad Drama
"AT THE RISK OF HER LIFE"

In which Miss Gibson makes good the title of the drama delivering the action of the story—the thrill is among the most heart quickening that have been shown in this series of narrow escapes.

"THE WANDERER"

A simple but beautiful story is told in this three part Broadway Star Feature and enacted by a competent cast of Vitaphones.

COMING TOMORROW

Return Engagement of

"The Battle Cry of Peace"

The most stupendous photoplay ever shown in Wichita Falls—PEACE AT ANY PRICE FOR AMERICA MEANS THE PRICE EUROPE IS PAYING.

It's only once in a life time you have the opportunity of witnessing a production of such magnitude.
—Children, 15c—Adults, 25c—Reserved Seats, 35c—Special Children's Matinee, from 4 to 5 o'clock—10c

AT THE THEATRES

PROMISE OF NOTHING TIRESOME IN "THE FRAME UP"

The play, "Frame Up" Fred Byers' newest and brightest offering, with Play Mann and Fred Byers, himself playing the title role, becomes an interesting story from the start. It does not lag or bore you, never tiresome, for every pathetic scene is followed by rich clean comedy that starts a ripple of laughter which gives you a chance to brush away a tear. It's a treat to the theatrical going public who have been burdened with trashy plays. Coming Friday, February 18 at the Wichita Theatre.

The Lydia Margaret

Today is being repeated "The Great Divide" a feature which provides an excellent attraction at the Lydia Margaret yesterday, William Vaughan Moody's great "American play" "The Great Divide" is the tremendous story of a real Eastern girl's hair and eventual love for an untamed rough character of the West which is well remembered as the play in which Henry Miller and Margaret Anglin starred successfully for many seasons. The play has been produced in five acts by the Lydia Margaret Company with Henry Miller and Margaret Anglin in the roles formerly played by Mr. Miller and Miss Anglin. The photo play version has been accorded a unanimous praise by motion picture and dramatic critics both for its scenic grandeur and its remarkable dramatic acting. It was produced at the bottom of the Grand Canyon of Arizona at the identical spot of which Author Moody wrote. Prominent in the "punches" of the picture are the tremendous landslide in which the entire side of a mountain is forced away by a terrific charge of dynamite; the fight for possession of Ruth by Ghent, Pedro and "Butch" in Ruth's cabin and the wonderful night scenes which have been taken with the aid of the new Lubin portable automobile lighting outfit.

AT THE LYDIA MARGARET

TODAY, the Last Showing of the Film Masterpiece

THE GREAT DIVIDE

with
HOUSE PETERS and ETHEL CLAYTON

TOMORROW

The Superb Dramatic Actress

Valli Valli

"Her Debt of Honor"

A picture that is a real sensation, full of surprises and thrills and abounds in novel situations. Five acts of exquisite photoplay portraying in highly effective fashion the romantic story of a lone girl's devotion to duty written and directed by Wm. Nigh. Colorful Action—Novel Plot—Vital Drama.

PRICES: 5 and 10 Cents.

COMING SATURDAY—HEARD ABOUT IT!

Florence Reed

The Greatest Moving Picture
Play of the Year—
GUARANTEED SO!

NEW YORK

If you haven't seen this new feature service, better begin now, until you do we're both losers.
REGULAR ADMISSION PRICES: 5 and 10 Cents.

BROAD PROBLEMS OF HOUSEKEEPING

Ernest Glendinning and Winnifred Kingston

EMPRESS

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In "The Seventh Noon," a five-part Mutual Masterpicture full of action and suspense.

FRIDAY

GEORGE KLEINE PRESENTS THE GIFTED ARTISTE MISS FRANCESCA BERTINI

The beauty who taught the Sultan of Turkey to tango, in a delightful, timely drama of the Continental Spy System—

"THE WOMAN WHO DARED"

(FIVE PARTS)

A drama of unusual power, conspicuous for its remarkable qualities of sustained interest and unique situations. ONE OF THE VERY FINEST DRAMAS WE HAVE EVER OFFERED, featuring a gifted and beautiful woman in the best work of her career.

When the army mobilization plans entrusted to her husband are stolen, she follows the thieving spy through many adventures. One adventure treads upon another in rapid, sparkling sequence, ever heightening the interest, always leaving the final issue shrouded in expectant doubt.

AND THERE ARE THRILLS GALORE for folks who like thrills. The inspiring, sensational race between a flying automobile and a passenger train and the daring ruse of the woman when she penetrates the home of the spy, afford dramatic moments to a story founded more on wit than violence.

The Empress.
"The Seventh Noon" a special six-part feature is today's attraction at the Empress.

The Gem.
E. H. Calvert and Elizabeth Burbridge are featured in "Return Day" a three part Broadway drama on the program for today at the Gem. A short story is given. Gideon Winfield, a bank employee, steals money to pay his gambling debts. He marries Clara Worthington, the daughter of a financier, and before many days has requested her father to pay the remainder of his debts. Clara then discovers why he married her. About this time the theft of the bank's funds is discovered, and Clara's father, to avoid notoriety, pays the defalcation. Winfield then leaves town. Some time later Clara marries, after hearing that Winfield is dead. He is really alive, and one night is killed by a burglar when he enters her home to threaten her. Clara is accused of murder, but at the last moment the burglar admits his guilt.

GRADE CROSSING PROBLEM IS BEING DISCUSSED

By Associated Press.
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 17.—General managers of Texas railroads gathered here today to discuss the report of a committee of chief engineers of these railroads regarding the grade crossing problem in Dallas, now confronting both city officials and railroad officials. A report, recommending that a belt line be established, eliminating grade crossings, was recently submitted to the city by John Findlay Wallace, a Chicago consulting engineer. A. B. Cushing, chief engineer of the Texas & Pacific Railway is chairman of the board of engineers.

Railroad officials have declared that the proposed viaduct project, as an alternative to the belt line, is considerably too expensive to be considered at this time. They have not expressed themselves widely on the belt line plan.

SAYS PROSPERITY IS EVIDENT IN PANHANDLE

(Fort Worth Record)
"Signs of prosperity were on every hand between Fort Worth and Dalhart," said Count Steiner, general freight and passenger agent of the Fort Worth & Denver, who with D. B. Keeler spent the greater portion of the week on a trip of inspection.

The wheat crops between the White river and the Red river are in good condition, but in the plains country a good rain is needed.

"Evidence of prosperity were noticeable everywhere. Scarcely a mile along the line of the railroad was passed without new roofs and new buildings of some kind coming into sight."

"Iowa had better look to her laurels, as the Panhandle country is fast becoming the home of the big red barn, more attention being given to farm buildings than ever before. The sheds are being replaced by barns and comfortable garages, the small shack that has served as a home for the pioneer is being replaced by the comfortable bungalow and elevated tanks with water piped to the homes is reducing the labor of the housewife.

"The farmers are busy preparing the ground for the spring crops and bunches of hogs may be seen on nearly every farm, while occasional hogs killed for the year's meat supply can be seen hanging in the trees.

"One farmer while we were at Clarendon brought in a hog which when dressed brought \$45.

"Threshers are still working from daylight to dark threshing the grain sorghums, one man having threshed so far this year 72,000 bushels and still has engagements to keep him busy until the middle of March.

"Parties at Dalhart are negotiating with Iowa and North Dakota farmers to supply them with 1,000 bushels of seed corn, which in my estimation is carrying costs to Newcastle.

"This is the first year Indian corn has been shipped from that section of the State and the fact that Iowa wants this seed speaks for the product.

"Sheep feeders have marketed a part of their lambs at a good profit and this will encourage others to emulate the example in years to come.

"Market conditions this year were such that it was the first time in the history of the country along the Fort Worth & Denver that the feeding of lambs was undertaken."

"The People's Store"— 602 Seventh St. Read tomorrow's advertisement.

Not Confined to Home Any Longer Says Home Economics Speaker

Special to The Times.
Austin, Tex., Feb. 17.—Mrs. W. J. Thomas of Chicago, addressing the women in attendance upon Home Economics Week at the University of Texas, declared that a woman's housekeeping is no longer confined within the four walls of her home as it was in the good old times. From the time the home is founded and the marriage certificate recorded in the city hall to the time when the home is broken up and the death recorded by the health department, a large part of the housekeeping is conducted by the various municipal departments. Therefore, Mrs. Thomas urged that it was pre-eminently the duty of woman to follow her housekeeping, even if it took her into politics. It is a necessity of modern life in cities, she said, that many matters formerly controlled entirely within the home have passed to community control. She showed how housing problems, the buying of supplies where conditions of labor were at least tolerable, purity of milk and water, waste disposal, gas, birds, smoke inspection, care of streets, sewage disposal, contagious diseases, all affect the home directly and that woman cannot shirk her responsibility in these matters.

She sketched in a very interesting way the things accomplished for civic betterment by women's organizations of Chicago, and she declared that since women have been partially enfranchised in Illinois, the running of the city government in Chicago had been endowed with a quickened sense of the justice of several reforms for which women were clamoring. The appointment of a commission to inquire into the matter of waste disposal was made within ten days after the formal demand was presented, she said, when previous to the granting of woman suffrage the city government had put the matter off for four years.

CONDENSED MILK IS SENT TO EUROPE

This Country Formerly an Importer, is Now Exporting Large Quantities

Special to The Times.
Washington, Feb. 16.—American condensed milk is being exported in large quantities that it never knew in previous times. The exports from this country in 1915 amounted to 75,000,000 pounds valued at \$6,500,000, according to figures furnished by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, and the bulk of these exports went to Europe. In normal times the value of condensed milk sold abroad varies between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 and ordinarily the best customers are Cuba, Panama, China and Mexico.

The increased exports of condensed milk to Europe are easy to explain, under the circumstances, but there has been an increase in imports from European countries that is puzzling. Italy's recent participation in the American trade has caused some comment, but the fact that Holland and Switzerland sold much larger quantities of milk in the United States in 1915 than ever before is considered more remarkable, for these two countries have access to practically all markets in Europe. The total imports into the United States from all countries in 1915 were valued at practically \$2,000,000 or one-third of the exports and although Canada furnished more than half, Holland did a business approximating \$800,000 as against less than \$300,000 the year previous. Switzerland now is selling to us at a rate of \$250,000 a year, where formerly practically no milk came from that country.

AUSTIN COLLEGE TO GIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

Sherman, Texas, February 17.—Scholarships to deserving high school students in North Texas and Southern Oklahoma for tuition in Austin College here, will be given annually according to a decision of the board of trustees of the institution. For these two countries have access to practically all markets in Europe. The total imports into the United States from all countries in 1915 were valued at practically \$2,000,000 or one-third of the exports and although Canada furnished more than half, Holland did a business approximating \$800,000 as against less than \$300,000 the year previous. Switzerland now is selling to us at a rate of \$250,000 a year, where formerly practically no milk came from that country.

ALREADY MAKING PLANS FOR 1916 STATE FAIR

By Associated Press.
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 17.—Directors of the State Fair of Texas believe in preparedness and are already making plans for the 1916 exposition. Within the next few weeks Secretary

Palm Beach Weather Is Being Enjoyed In Wichita Falls Now

Weather suggestive of Palm Beach suits, Panama hats, ice cream shoes and bvd's is being enjoyed in Wichita Falls at present, with temperatures ranging above the 70 degree mark during the afternoon. At night the mercury drops to near the freezing mark, but the afternoons are decidedly spring time.

SOLDIERS WILL LIVE IN COLLAPSIBLE HOUSES

Laredo, Tex., Feb. 17.—Collapsible wooden houses will take the place of tents as domiciles for members of the Ninth Infantry stationed at Fort McIntosh here.

Recommendations that this regiment which has been long in field service, have more commodious quarters was acted favorably upon by the war department.

Wichita Theatre

ONE NIGHT
FRIDAY, FEB. 18
MESSRS. BYERS & MANN
Present
MISS FLOY MANN
The New York Success

"THE FRAME UP"

Brilliantly Cast and Staged
The Original
NEW YORK CAST
Including
MR. FRED BYERS
Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00
Box Seats, \$1.50
Seats on Sale Rexall Drug Store Tuesday at 9:30 a. m.
Phone 238.



Scene from "The Woman Who Dared," at the Empress Friday.

3,000 People Saw The "BATTLE CRY OF PEACE"

LAST WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Leaving 10,000 Men, women and children that should see it. Hundreds have asked us to bring it back. It's the biggest thing ever shown in Wichita Falls.

Reserved Seats on Sale Now
Children 15c Adults 25c Seats Reserved 35c
Matinee house opens at 2 o'clock, show starts at 2:30. Night at 7:30 sharp
Special School Children's Matinee 4 to 5 o'clock 10c.

Majestic Theatre Friday, Feb. 18th

WANTED TO BUY Second Hand Furniture and Stoves
Phone 1011 Star Furniture Co.

Miscellaneous Wants
SANSBURY & ALLEN at 705 7th St. want to buy all kinds of second hand furniture. Phone 103.

For Rent—Houses
FOR RENT—Several houses. See E. B. Goralline. Phone 720 or residence 62.

Dressmaking
Mrs. Simmons, Dressmaker, 1306 9th street, phone 1893. 224-226c

Special Bargains

2.23 acres of land close in, overlooking city, good land and will make an ideal chicken ranch. Price \$400. \$100 cash, the balance monthly.

A. L. HUEY, Real Estate
Office 604 Eighth Street
Day Phone 1478. Night Phone 1398.

For Rent—Housekeeping Rooms
FOR RENT—Furnished light housekeeping rooms, 1305 11th St.; 220-tfc

For Rent—Houses
FOR RENT—My home at 1622 11th St. will be for rent about March 1st.

TEMPORARY COURT HOUSE NECESSARY
Question of Where to Go While the New Building is Erected is Being Considered.

FOR SALE—On Van Buren and 8th St. two modern 5-room houses with solid cement foundations, closets, good plank fences and in first class condition every way.

FOR RENT—Furnished light housekeeping rooms, 1305 11th St.; 220-tfc
FOR RENT—Modern light housekeeping rooms, at 704 Burnett, phone 1175. 234-tfc

Financial
FARM LOANS AT 8 PER CENT—I am the personal representative of Charles Baird, a Kansas City banker.

NOT DEPENDING ON FOREIGN BUSINESS
Prosperity No Longer Rests on European Trade, Says R. G. Dun Report

aggregating, but chief interest in distributing channels now centers on the brilliant prospects for spring trade. The disposition to enter upon forward commitments is a prominent feature in all important lines and buyers are unusually numerous in the leading markets.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping to couple without children. 1202 Burnett, Phone 1404. 40-3tc

FOR SALE—Miscellaneous
FOR SALE—The furniture of a 11-room boarding house, all modern, close in, 510 5th street. Also one electric piano. Either at a bargain. Phone 209. 96-tfc

FOR TRADE
5-Passenger automobile in first class condition, and real cash money.

NAVY LEAGUE APPOINTS TEXAS COMMITTEEMAN
Special to The Times. Washington, Feb. 17.—The navy league of the United States announced today at National Headquarters that the executive committee has appointed C. P. Fegan, District Passenger and Ticket Agent of the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, of Dallas, Texas, State Chairman of the League in that State.

FOR RENT—Offices and Stores
FOR RENT—Three large office rooms J. L. Jackson, 603 5th St. 225-tfc

FOR SALE—New Overland 6 cylinder, passenger, 1916 Model, at less than factory cost. Biggest bargain ever offered. Wichita Overland Co., 708 10th St. 238-5tc

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Personals

W. L. Childs and J. H. Tucker, returned yesterday to Beaumont.

M. D. Rowe of Gine, Tex., is here on business.

Mrs. F. A. Mains left this afternoon for Thayer, Mo., to visit relatives.

Mrs. O. D. Anding returned yesterday after a weeks visit with relatives at Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Kiel left yesterday afternoon for New Orleans for a visit with their sons, Dr. O. B. Kiel, Mr. Kiel expects to visit in Chicago and St. Louis and other points before returning home.

R. P. Northern who represents the Winona Mills in this section of the state, and his wife are the parents of a son who arrived this morning at their home at 1505 Seventeenth street.

Sewell Cox, young son of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Cox, fell while climbing a fence yesterday afternoon dislocating his arm at the elbow.

Miss Bertie Sansbury of Fort Worth, who has been visiting her brother, Bob Sansbury, returned to her home today.

W. C. Demere left today for El Paso on business.

Miss Genevieve Carver returned this afternoon from a visit to Fort Worth.

A. R. Cotton went to Altus this afternoon on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gardner and John Owens were in Electra yesterday.

Mrs. Louise Salm, who is in charge of the ladies ready-to-wear goods at Baum & Gardner's, and Miss Willie Smith, milliner, have returned from market.

Mrs. Nicks of Spur, enroute to Oklahoma points, stopped here today.

L. J. Bullitt went to Electra this afternoon on business.

W. J. Truman from Bomarton enroute to Dallas, stopped here today.

H. G. Jacks left this afternoon for Fort Worth to undergo an operation.

J. E. Wells left this afternoon for Fort Worth, Dallas and San Antonio on business.

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PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HEARING AT GALVESTON

By Associated Press.
Galveston, Tex., Feb. 17.—No decision had been reached in the 65th district court on the mandamus petition to compel the holding of a state presidential primary at noon today when recess was taken until 3 o'clock. Arguments there will be resumed. The suit is styled E. K. Macrae, et al vs. Paul Waples et al and was brought to test the validity of the decision of the state democratic executive committee to disregard that portion of the state election law governing the primary for casting the first and second preferential ballots for president and presidential electors.

NAVAL BOARD APPOINTED ON WIRELESS CENSORSHIP

Washington, Feb. 17.—To avoid any complication in the proposed modification in the censorship of wireless messages at Sausalito, New York, Secretary Daniels today appointed a board of naval officers headed by Captain W. H. G. Bullard, chief of the radio service, to consider whether the revision should permit the passage into the United States of messages referred to naval vessels of the countries at war. Under the present censorship at Sausalito such messages are suppressed.

RECOVERS HIS MEMORY FAR AWAY FROM HOME.

By Associated Press.
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 17.—F. M. Sprayberry of this city, who has been missing from home since November 11th returned today after wandering three months suffering from a loss of memory. Sprayberry surprised his family here today and told of having regained his memory on board a ship in Liverpool, January 20th. On reaching England he immediately started home. He attributes his mental hiatus to a blow sustained on his head in September while working on an oil tank at Galen, Texas.

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By Associated Press.
Austin, Texas, February 17.—P. J. Lawless, general passenger agent of the International & Great Northern railroad has been living at a local hotel here for 30 years, eating three meals a day, sleeping the required amount at night, and for this privilege has paid the hotel approximately \$25,000.

He now lays claim to being Austin's "star boarder."

It was in 1886, just after the hotel was completed, that Lawless was shown his room for the first time. Since then the hotel has twice closed its doors. But Lawless continued to live there.

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