

# PARR-MOSES TICK BILL WINS

## WILLIAMSON'S SHERIFF ASKS MARTIAL LAW FOR HERRIN MAY POLL TAXES EXPECTED TO BE 5,500 SHORT

### Shadow Monday? Groundhog Due Landis Uncertain

Weather Forecaster Landis wasn't sure Saturday about the prospects for Monday's weather, although he expressed the opinion that Sunday would be cloudy and somewhat colder.

"Of course, you know," he said, "that if the groundhog, when he comes out Monday, sees his shadow he will go back in his hole and stay there for six weeks more of winter. If he does not see his shadow, then he knows winter is over."

"Of course, speaking of weather," Landis looked out into the broad open spaces of Texas where weather is weather, whether or not.

### Two 'Widows' Attend Missouri Man's Funeral

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 31.—Two women, each claiming to be his widow, today attended the funeral of James P. Derby, 41, who died Wednesday.

In a sparsely furnished apartment, Mrs. Mary E. Derby, who, according to her marriage certificate, wedded Derby 15 years ago in Independence, Mo., told of how she learned of the other woman.

"I went to my husband's next market the day after he died," she said.

There was another woman, blond, younger than I. She came forward and I was told she was my husband's wife. She told me my husband had said the Mrs. Derby who lived on Bellevue Avenue, was his mother."

### Chicago-Omaha Air Mail Speed Record Smashed

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Speed records of the Chicago-Omaha air mail service were broken today by Pilot R. G. Page, who alighted in Chicago at 8:25 a. m., with 20,000 letters, having traversed the 426 miles between the cities in two hours, 43 minutes.

Page flew at an average speed of 153 miles per hour, according to Carl F. Egge, superintendent of the air mail service. This establishes a new mail flight record on this route.

He left Omaha at 5:48 a. m. and found an ideal tail wind all the way. He stopped at Iowa City, Iowa, to unload mail and take on a Chicago pouch. He increased his usual speed because of delay in the arrival of the mail from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

### Nine Suspended S. M. U. Students May Return

DALLAS, Jan. 31.—A report by the discipline committee of Southern Methodist University will recommend reinstatement of nine students suspended from the institution last Fall for publication of a student paper, "The Dinky," it was learned Saturday. No official action can be taken on the report until the regular faculty meeting next Friday.

It is understood a number of the suspended students have already enrolled in other universities.

### Girl Kills Self in Bath of Flaming Gasoline

HONOLULU, Jan. 31.—Grieved because of a severe scolding given her by her parents, Cecelia Punou, 16, Hawaiian, committed suicide today by drenching herself with kerosene and burning to death, according to a report here tonight from Wailuku, a small community in the island of Maui, southeast of Honolulu.

### Jazz Burglar Smashes Window for \$500 'Saxes'

DALLAS, Jan. 31.—It must have been a jazz burglar who stole two saxophones from an Elm Street music house Friday night. A show window was smashed with a brick.

Musical instruments, including the "saxes" valued at \$500 were taken.

### IMMEDIATE TROUBLE IS FEARED, HE ASSERTS

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HERRIN, Ill., Jan. 31.—Just when prospects for a lengthy peace in Williamson County's klan warfare appeared most promising, Sheriff Galligan announced at Marion, the county seat, that he had wired state authorities at Springfield a request for immediate institution of martial law at Herrin.

The sheriff, who has himself carefully kept away from Herrin since the murders last September, based his request on a fear of further immediate trouble growing out of a reported personal encounter between John Smith, successor to the leadership of the klan since S. Glenn Young was killed last Saturday, and Chief of Police Matthew Walker of Herrin.

"Smith is said to have demanded the immediate resignation of Chief of Police Walker, who recently went over to the anti-klan side. Walker refused. Hot words passed. Walker immediately set out for Marion to confer with Galligan. The sheriff's statement followed this conference."

No observation made.

The coroner's jury ventured no observations upon the situation of factional warfare which has kept Williamson County in an uproar for two years in its verdict today. No recommendations of any kind were made.

The tenor of the inquiry and the verdict appears to have pleased both sides—a unique situation for Williamson County.

No one was recommended for punishment in the inquiry into the klan shootings on last Saturday which cost the lives of S. Glenn Young, klan dry raider, Deputy Sheriff Ora Thomas and two others.

Only a few moments were required by the jury which spent four days in questioning 60 witnesses under direction of Coroner George Bell to decide that, so far as living men are concerned, no responsibility could be placed on the jurors did conclude, however, that Young and Thomas, foes in the bitter personal feud in the history of this strife-ridden community, killed each other.

Youthful Widow Testifies.

Glenn Young's youthful widow contributed her bit at the final session of the inquest. Mrs. Young falteringly felt her way, her blinded eyes shielded by heavy dark glasses to the witness chair, where she also had Mrs. Meud Thomas, widow of Ora Thomas.

A black crape hat concealed her blonde bobbed curls, and she was attired in the gown of deep green velvet worn at her husband's funeral.

Mrs. Young's story was similar to that of Mrs. Thomas, who related her final meeting in life with her husband. As Thomas had been threatened with death on the day of the shooting by Young, so also Young had felt the sting of the deputy's hatred. Mrs. Young's testimony revealed.

### Conference Called to Discuss Situation

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 31.—Adjutant General Black announced early this evening that the entire subject of the Herrin disorders will be taken up at a conference with Governor Len Small in Springfield tomorrow night.

Sheriff Galligan's telegram, it was found, went beyond the usual

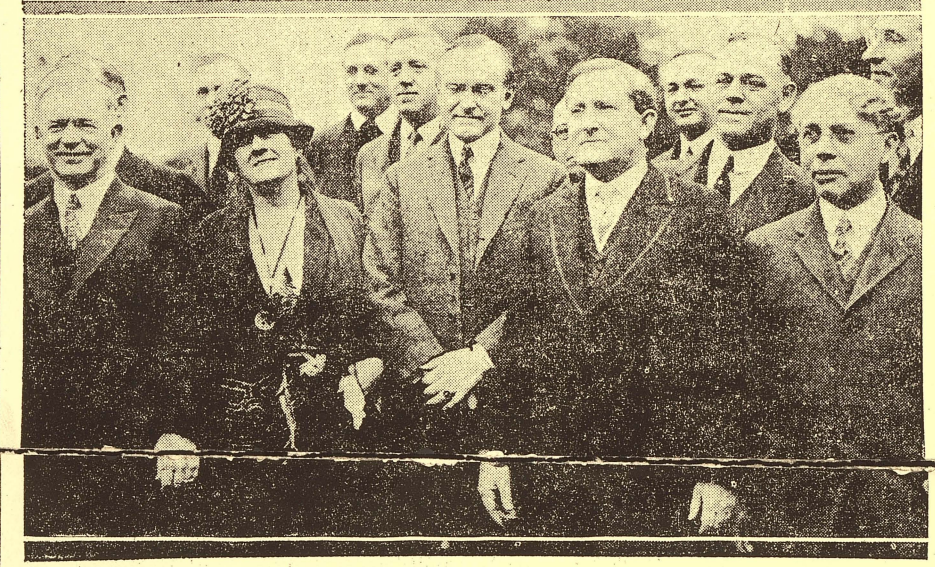
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### THINK IT OVER

BY H. M. STANSIFER

SOME people take life too seriously—a hearty laugh brushes the cobwebs from the brain so we can think more clearly.

### TEXANS INVITE COOLIDGE TO AD CLUB CONVENTION IN HOUSTON



A delegation of Texans recently invited President Calvin Coolidge to attend the sessions of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World which convene in Houston May 9. In the picture front, left to right are Lynch Davidson of Houston, Mrs. J. D. Claybrook of Austin, President Coolidge, Morris Sheppard, United States Senator, and Marcellus E. Foster, publisher of the Houston Chronicle and member of the Board of Regents of the State University. The President, while giving no definite promise, assured the Texas delegation that he is anxious to visit Texas.

## Greece Sends Pointed Note to Turkey After Church Trouble

By International News Service.

ATHENS, Jan. 31.—The Greek government tonight dispatched a note to the government of Turkey, vigorously protesting against the expulsion from Constantinople of the patriarch of the Greek orthodox church. The note was couched in startling terms. "This act," the note read, "is a flagrant violation of existing treaties and an act of hostility toward Greece."

The usual diplomatic language even when nations hover on the brink of war is of the mildest tone with which this declaration offers a striking contrast.

The announcement of the dispatch of this note followed a day of sensational developments and of war fever finding open expression in the chamber of deputies.

However, at almost the same hour, the Premier told occasion to express his determination to avoid conflict if possible.

Situation is Grave.

"Although the situation is grave," he was quoted as saying, "Greece will strive to avoid a rupture with Turkey."

There is no ground for a declaration that diplomatic relations have been formally broken, it became apparent tonight.

The future will depend on Turkey's reply to the Greek note," an official statement declared.

The allied powers, according to reports, have discussed mediation by a council of ambassadors, but Greece is known to have ignored this by attempting to thwart the Council of Ambassadors' action by

getting the case on the docket of the Hague court.

The inborn and smouldering hatred of centuries between the Turks and the Greeks was being fanned into a flame of passion on the streets tonight.

Indignation ruled the nation. The newspapers significantly emphasized that the 1923 recruits had not been disbanded.

Riotous Scenes Occur.

Public bodies in Athens and the provinces convoked meetings to protest against the expulsion of the patriarch. The university suspended sessions, as did the Bourse.

When the news was officially conveyed to Parliament, riotous scenes occurred. Deputies jumped and shouted "down with Turkey," "Down with the Turk."

## CITIZEN POSSE HELPS HUNT ROBBERS

Thirty residents of Arlington Heights, armed with shotguns, Saturday night joined Motorcycle Officers Webb and Hicks in a search for two bandits who held up and robbed J. W. Hall, 3016 Fourth Avenue, at Stop Moore, of more than \$100.

Approaching Hall from the rear the bandits pushed their revolvers against him and told him to "stick 'em up." A messenger boy who saw the holdup told officers he saw the two men jump a fence and rob Hall. The bandits, evidently acquainted with Hall's habit of going home about 9:30 p. m. on Saturdays, searched but two pockets and in these Hall always carried his wallet and change.

The wallet contained about \$100, Hall told police. He had several dollars in change and a pocket knife in his left trouser pocket, which the bandits also appropriated. After relieving Hall of his valuables, the bandits told him to walk forward. Hall did this and the bandits followed him a block.

During this walk, he said, an automobile passed by and the bandits commanded Hall to stop and not to utter a word. The machine passed without the driver noticing anything. After leaving Hall, the bandits walked west, while Hall ran to a drug store two blocks away where police were called.

The bandits did not take Hall's watch nor rings. The bandits were both clean-shaven and unmasked, the victim declared. After notifying police, Hall went to his home and secured his shotgun.

A number of his neighbors secured guns and after a short time more than 20 were looking for the holdup men.

The corner at Stop Moore, where the holdup took place, is shadowed by trees and although within 100 feet of the Fort Worth-Weatherford pike, is hardly visible from that road.

When he was being held up, Hall attempted to attract attention of a negro standing across the street by asking loudly what the men wanted with him. They stopped his loud talking and the negro remained unaware of the robbery.

## West Seventh Street—Its Importance in the Future Development of Ft. Worth

AN EDITORIAL.

New York has spent millions in widening streets already built up to relieve traffic congestion. So has Chicago; so has St. Louis and so have all of the large cities in the United States. Even the smaller cities have not escaped such expenditures. Atlanta, with its famed Peachtree Street, has carried out one of the most extensive and at the same time most expensive widening projects of any city within recent years. San Antonio several years ago widened one of its principal business streets by taking 10 feet off the front of every building—at enormous cost to the taxpayers and great loss to the property owners.

All of this great cost could have been avoided if the citizens of those cities at an earlier day had been able to visualize the future, and its great needs. But American cities grow so fast, the traffic increases so enormously that even the most foresighted never can see far enough ahead. But cities can take advantage of the mistakes of others; they can profit by their costly lessons and prepare in some cases while the cost is still within reach.

Fort Worth is in this position now. It is growing rapidly; its traffic problem is already acute and its business district is spreading out rapidly. Within a few years streets that are now for the most part devoted to residential purposes will become business arteries. Fort Worth should give thought to this problem right now; not within the next five years when the streets are built so largely with business structures and the widening will involve great engineering problems and enormous expense.

One street in particular—West Seventh—demands immediate attention if Fort Worth is to profit by the experiences of other cities. There are already numerous business structures on West Seventh. Another is under construction now and still others contemplated. Will it not be far cheaper for the city taxpayers and the owners of the building under construction and the ones contemplated, to set their buildings back 10 feet in preparation for the widening of the street, than to do it later at far greater cost?

But even if West Seventh had no business structures and were not destined for a business street, the city would be amply justified in the cost of widening it at this time. It is the main connecting link between the populous West Side and the city; it is a link in a state and national highway and the route of the tourists travel from east to west through the city. It is too narrow for the traffic it is forced to bear even now, to say nothing of what that traffic will become in a few years.

The business district of Fort Worth is rapidly spreading to the west. It takes no foresight to see that West Seventh in a few years at least will become an important business street.

Fort Worth should map her plans accordingly; profit by the costly experiences of other cities and widen West Seventh from Lamar Street to the Van Zandt viaduct while it can be done without too great cost.

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### THE WEATHER

Fort Worth and Vicinity — Sunday partly cloudy, colder. Oklahoma—Sunday unsettled, probably rain or snow; colder. East Texas—Sunday partly cloudy to cloudy; colder in the northwest portion. West Texas—Sunday partly cloudy to cloudy, probably rain or snow in north portion. Colder Sunday except in southeast portion.

### FAVORABLE REPORTS GIVEN TO SENATE

BY BYRON C. UTECHT, Staff Correspondent.

AUSTIN, Jan. 31.—After all hope of compromising contending factions of cattlemen for an agreeable "tick treaty," had been abandoned and after they had passed the buck to the joint Senate and House committee the Parr bill was reported favorably by the Senate committee late this afternoon with only one member voting in favor of the

Bowers bill.

The committee's action is a victory for the Fort Worth conference as against the San Antonio conference, the latter presided over by James E. Ferguson.

The decision of the Senate committee to report out the Parr measure came after a four-hour session last night and an informal session that lasted nearly all day today, during which supporters of both refused to surrender.

The San Antonio conference measure was presented by Senator R. S. Bowers of Caldwell, while Senator Archie Ferguson of Comanche sent up the Fort Worth conference bill, the latter having been drafted by Dayton Moses, counsel of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association and the former by Arthur W. Seelings of San Antonio.

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