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Twelve Drown in Oklahoma Floods Saturday

Richardson Negro Is Taken To Dallas For Safekeeping After Fighting With Two White Men, Assault Charges Filed

DALLAS, May 18. (AP)—Allen Samuel, a negro farm hand, was rescued from an angry mob of 40 white men in the public square of Richardson, today, and brought to the Dallas jail where he was charged with assault to murder on two white men.

Justice V. S. Biewert said the negro, who went on a rampage, engaged in a fist fight with Jack Holland and later slashed W. T. Jones with a knife. The crowd demanded and beat him.

CAPITAL CHATTER

(By Charles E. Stevens)
AUSTIN, Texas. (AP)—The biennial speaker to make Cokes B. Stevenson speaker of the house, governor, has started.

It began the closing day of the 44th regular session of the legislature as members and employes wished the speaker and his wife with gifts. The keynote was sounded by Rep. J. Franklin Spears of San Antonio, one of Stevenson's strongest admirers.

Stevenson has been nominated for governor at virtually every session since the close of the 43rd. He smiles enigmatically every time he is nominated although the nominating speeches usually receive loud applause in the house where Stevenson wields a strong influence.

Many of Stevenson's friends would like to see him make the race and would support him but there are few who believe the office offers sufficient attraction to the raw boned West Texas to engage what undoubtedly would be, because of Stevenson's location in a sparsely settled country, a hard campaign.

Should he decide to run, however, he would have the nucleus of a good campaign organization reaching into virtually every county. In addition to those who support him for speaker, Stevenson has gained many friends among his opposition.

Stevenson's political plans depend largely on what turn events take in the next several months preceding the primary elections. If Governor Allred seeks a second term it is highly doubtful Stevenson would get into the race. As things now shape up it is improbable that Allred will be satisfied with one term as governor and will ask re-election.

It was noted that Stevenson avoided the subject in acknowledging the gifts. He delivered instead an extemporaneous talk on the legislature and its relation to government.

The members presented Stevenson with three sections of a steel book case. Numerous other gifts were received, including a radio, a suit of clothes, a camera and a clock.

Stevenson never carries a watch. In the closing hours of the session when the clock had been stopped to delay adjournment Stevenson was forced to depend on his secretary for the time. Outside the legislature he has no use for one of the "gadgets."

BACK FROM MEMPHIS

Members J. H. Wisely and Bonnie Grimes returned yesterday from Memphis, Tenn., where they spent a week attending the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention. They report a delightful trip and a great convention in every way. They will report the highlights of the meeting at the various gatherings of local Baptist women this week.

WEATHER REPORT

East Texas—Mostly cloudy, local thunder storms in the east this afternoon or tonight; Sunday partly cloudy, probably showers in the north; cooler near the west coast tonight.

West Texas—Mostly cloudy, probably showers in the north tonight and Sunday.

LOCAL WEATHER

Courtesy Harry Morris
Yesterday Very Hot
Highest 75
Lowest 50

Shift Of Nine Mexican Consuls In United States Announced Saturday

WASHINGTON, May 18. (AP)—A shift of nine Mexican consular officials in this country was announced today including Hermolao Torres, whom the house committee recently accused of attempting to intimidate Mexican Catholics to prevent them

from holding a religious parade at San Bernardino, California, was announced today by the Mexican government. Torres was sent to Denver and Ransel Avelera, to Laredo; another was transferred but it was not reported where. The transfers were described as routine.

Congressional Leaders Agree To Vote Immediately Whether To Override Veto

WASHINGTON, May 18. (AP)—The Patman bonus bill leaders in congress agreed today to vote immediately, without a debate, on whether to override President Roosevelt's veto after the chief executive delivers his message probably next Wednesday.

It was conceded they didn't have time to override the veto in the senate but they still expressed hope of a swing that would put the inflationary measure over despite the president's objections.

Flood Condition in South Fredonia Needs Correcting At Once

Three times in the past two weeks the "Hot Water Branch" on South Fredonia street has caused quite a lot of inconvenience and delay to traffic and steps should be taken immediately to remedy this condition by the proper authorities.

We all know that the city is doing the best it can and it will take possibly two years to repair the damage caused by the torrential rain and floods to the streets in the past two weeks, but the South Fredonia street condition should be the first to be corrected.

There is a tremendous amount of water carried by this small ditch during heavy rains. It is an open ditch until it enters a storm sewer at the street in question. This sewer is far inadequate and it should be removed and replaced with one not less than five feet in diameter, or another three or four foot line laid alongside of it. We do not know what to do to correct the condition, but we do know it needs correcting. The condition causes entirely too much inconvenience not only to local citizens but to the traveling public.

Hayter Well Shot in Effort to Loosen Stuck Drill Pipe

After several days of driving and pulling in an effort to loosen the 600 feet of drill stem which has been stuck in the Hayter well for the past week, it was decided to shoot the pipe in two sections. Last night at midnight a charge of two and a half quarts of nitroglycerine was placed in the hole and the pipe was shot in two and withdrawn from the hole.

There still remains at the 600 foot level 90 feet of four inch drill stem, the rock bit and more than 20 feet of surface casing. It is planned to try to mill this out, and if not successful this hole will be plugged back and an effort made to sidetrack the pipe.

The wooden derrick was pulled in last Saturday night while the crew was trying to pull the pipe out, and was replaced with one of the best steel derricks on the market. There is no danger of wrecking the present derrick on any sort of pull. It will be shot by one of the drillers. The drill pipe became stuck when the last joint of surface casing pulled loose at the bottom and wedged the drill pipe.

"THE OLD RUGGED CROSS"

As the meeting, now being conducted at the First Christian church enters its second week, extensive plans are being made to make each night's service of the remaining days of the campaign a high light occasion. Sunday night will be the first of this schedule. At this time Evangelist Campbell will feature the singing of old hymns, an illustrated sermon drawing depicting the "Old Rugged Cross," and a message "Christ Before Pilate."

Every one is invited to attend these services, but come early so you can get a good seat. Sunday night services will begin promptly at 7:55 p. m.

R. W. Haselwood Dies At Hospital Saturday Morning After Short Illness

R. W. Haselwood, for more than 40 years one of the leading citizens of Nacogdoches, died at the Memorial Hospital Saturday morning at 9 o'clock after a short illness of pneumonia.

Mr. Haselwood was taken to the hospital Friday morning when it was feared that pneumonia would set in. He was placed under the oxygen tent and everything humanly possible was done but to no avail.

Mr. Haselwood was born in Bardwell, Kentucky, about 62 years ago and moved to Henderson when about 21 years of age. He stayed there about a year and came to Nacogdoches where he went to work for C. P. Smith, who operated a jewelry store. Later he accepted a position

WARNING TO PROWLERS

A well known insurance man of the city issued a warning today to the prowler that he "shooked" at last night while the man was trying to enter the home of his mother, that he hoped the man did not have a policy in the company that represented, forgot would not be ethical to cause the company to pay a policy, the damage being caused by one of its employees.

The prowler won his race with the bullets for he was not found last night, only his high stepping tracks showing plenty of speed.

Entire Family Of Nine Negroes Lose Lives In Flood Waters; All Of Texas Swept By Torrential Rains And Winds

ALTUS, Oklahoma, May 18. (AP)—Twelve persons, including a family of nine negroes, were drowned in flood waters near Altus today as torrents of rain swelled the streams.

The drowned are: Mrs. Claude Gowens, Carl McAlpine and his daughter, aged ten, and a family of nine negroes whose names were not learned immediately.

Bridges, railways, and highways were swept away in a sudden rise of rivers and smaller streams. A dozen homes were washed away.

Firemen Save Number From Drowning at Gainesville

DALLAS, May 18. (AP)—Flood waters, destructive winds, torrential rains and hail combined to bring death, injury and serious property damage to Texas today.

Pecan and Elm creeks have overflowed at Gainesville, forcing the low land residents to flee. Creek waters have inundated several sections of the city in the wake of a five inch rain. Firemen rescued from drowning a number of persons who were swept from their feet by the rushing water.

Water poured into buildings, surrounded the Santa Fe passenger station and halted all highway traffic to the south and east.

A man was reported killed, several buildings blown down by a storm striking Teague, 20 miles southeast of Corsicana.

Two hundred houses were damaged and six other buildings blown down at Teague, including the ice plant, the railroad blacksmith shop, and a car shed by a violent wind. The damage was estimated at \$100,000. One man was critically injured at Teague but 55 others were killed.

Railroad bridges were washed out near Wichita Falls, and the Wichita Valley Line was washed out near Spur. The streams in that area are overflowing.

According to records kept at the Agricultural experiment station, all records for rainfall in May have been broken this year. The rainfall for May of this year so far is 14.53 inches and the month a little more than half gone. The next highest rainfall in May was in 1929 when 12.79 inches fell and the next highest was in 1916 with a record of 11.32 inches.

Texas Rivers on Fast Rise

A 40 mile wind lashed San Antonio

President Roosevelt has stated that he definitely favors grade-crossing elimination as part of the great emergency spending program.

The president, in making the announcement, alluded to the recent Maryland accident in which 14 children in a bus were killed when it was struck by a train, and said that such accidents are far too common. He then indicated that about \$200,000,000 will be spent for crossing elimination before July 1, 1936, and stressed the need for speed in getting the crossing program underway.

The proposed plan is to grant money to states which have facilities for performing grade crossing work, and to have the federal government do the job in states where such facilities do not now exist.

Grade crossing elimination is one of the best possible fields for spending of emergency funds. It fits every purpose for which the expenditures are designed. In that it serves a definite public need; benefits every citizen, stimulates industry, and provides a maximum of employment, direct and indirect, for each dollar spent. Every heavy industry in the country will share in the purchasing power grade crossing elimination will create—steel, cement, paint, etc. All other industries will likewise share. In that the money going to workmen will be spent for all manner of commodities and services. The cause of highway safety will be immeasurably advanced, and railroad service will be improved, as the existing

tonio during a thunderstorm, uprooting trees. The San Antonio river is up six feet and other streams are rampaging.

The Red River rose 15 feet, overflowing its banks north of Denison. Heavy rains fell over the entire state. West Texas was soaked and the drought is definitely ended. Five inches of rain has fallen since Tuesday at Abilene. A freakish windstorm cut through Polysynthetic and Riverside, injuring at least four persons and damaging many houses. Fort Worth reported. The Trinity River rose seven feet.

Storm warnings were hoisted along the coast as squalls struck, endangering ships in the Gulf.

The Llano river is on a 23 foot rise, the Colorado is up 30 feet and the San Sabá river stood at 33 feet. Five inches of rain fell in the Llano section.

A small tornado hit central Texas after the heavy rains. A twister demolished barns at McDade, east of Austin.

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Rain started falling here about 8:30 this morning and a heavy downpour started about 11:45 this morning. The rainfall for about an hour and a half totaled the total for the day until 6 o'clock to 2.79 inches.

The "hot water branch" on South Fredonia ran true to form and covered the street to where automobiles were being drenched out in large numbers. Mound street south of the Memorial Hospital was also flooded but traffic was not impeded at this place. Both creeks are on a rise and will probably go out of their banks.

tence of grade crossings is a great barrier to increasing train speeds. The \$200,000,000 will not, of course eliminate all grade crossings. But it marks a great step forward, and paves the way for additional work to be done by all units of government in the future.

PROSPERITY AT THE GRASS ROOTS

It has often been said that "real prosperity must begin at the grass roots"—that is, on the farm.

Statistics support that belief. The great bulk of our population depends for its living on agriculture—and depression has tended to send more people back to the farm, because of the impossibility of finding jobs in industry. The American farmer still provides the greatest single market for consuming the products that our factories produce.

As a result, no citizen can afford to think that he has no personal interest in the ups and downs of agriculture. Good times for agriculture help make good times for all business, all workers—precisely as depressed agriculture hits us all.

Forethought citizens, as a result, are throwing their weight strongly behind any movement whose purpose is to advance the farmers' social and economic status. The farm cooperative movement, among others, has been given the genuine support of industrialists, economists and others who have no connection with farming, but who know that prosperity at the grass roots is essential to national well-being.