

Weather Forecast

WEST TEXAS: Cloudy tonight, Wednesday colder.

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MIDLAND, TEXAS, TUESDAY, DEC. 31, 1929

Local Temperature

Maximum 69 Minimum 31

VOLUME 1

Number 254

MAY COMPLETE REED CASE TODAY

Major Oil Companies Increase Personnel of Local Offices

Politics Open With Three Candidates for County Judge

PRECEDENT BELIEVED TO BE SET

Gilmore, Watson and Hill Announce Candidacy

Announcement of three candidates for the office of county judge of Midland county, subject to action of the democratic primary election in July, was authorized for today's issue of The Reporter-Telegram, including J. M. Gilmore, C. C. Watson and the present judge, M. R. Hill.

At press time, no other candidates for office had made known their intention to run, but the announcement of three candidates for one office as early as January 1 is regarded as a precedent for Midland county.

Judge Gilmore, present city police judge and justice of the peace of precinct number one, advised the newspaper editor some time ago that he would announce his candidacy on January 1.

He has served as city secretary or clerk, and in his present positions as city judge and justice of the peace, has represented the city in the construction of its first sewer system, and has been identified in various capacities with city and county government for several years.

C. C. Watson called at the Reporter-Telegram office late Monday and authorized the announcement of his candidacy. Watson was formerly publisher of the Midland Daily Telegram, and a few years prior to that was editor and publisher of The Midland Reporter.

He has lived in Midland most of the time for almost 30 years. Having been educated for the law, he was admitted to the bar in Texas, but did not practice because he preferred the newspaper business. However, as an editor, he has always taken part in city and county affairs in such a way as to keep in touch with them. Watson said he would announce his platform later.

Friends of Judge Hill announced his candidacy, having obtained his permission today. They referred to his record while in office and said it was a pleasure to them to offer his name again to the voters of the county.

Judge Hill, and the commission-er's court with him, has a record of road building, county school improvement and good management of county affairs, and the most recent accomplishment is the successful launching of a bond issue for a new \$295,000 court house. Plans are complete, the bonds have been sold, the old court house is being torn down, and contract for the new building will be let at an early date.

Political advertisements of the three candidates appear in the political announcement column in this issue.

Smugglers Blamed For Their Deaths

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(UP)—Three liquor smugglers who lost their lives in attempting to escape from a coastguard vessel Saturday "have no one to blame but themselves." Assistant Treasury Secretary Lowman said today.

Several Stores To Observe Holiday

Intention of closing their doors on New Year's day was announced this morning to a Reporter-Telegram representative by Midland furniture stores, hardware stores, dry goods stores, music stores, and some of the grocery stores.

The banks will observe the legal holiday, and it is expected that most of the business institutions will do the same. The county library will be closed.

C. C. OFFICIAL GIVES STAND ON AIR LINE STOCK

Stocks are never endorsed by the Midland Chamber of Commerce, an official pointed out today, in connection with a discussion of the organization's having declined to endorse a proposition to sell in Midland \$10,000 worth of stock in an air line.

The official expressed appreciation of the attitude and frankness of the man sent to Midland to place stock and declared he knew of the big service his company was rendering aviation, but despite that fact he did not feel warranted in giving official endorsement to a stock proposition. He said Midland wanted the line and would cooperate in every possible way.

It was further pointed out that the conference with the air line map was held by three directors of the chamber of commerce and four non-directors. Two of the men in attendance are wealthy, three of moderate means. The matter was put squarely up to the seven present as to how much stock they would be willing to buy. Only one man, and he had less than even moderate means, was willing to buy stock. His subscription would have been likely \$50 or maybe \$100, leaving somebody else to buy the remaining \$9,900.

The official concluded by saying that not only did he consider it unethical to endorse stock propositions, but he considered it unethical to "stall along" the stock salesman on a proposition that appeared impossible, when the man sent here to place the stock had been so frank and fair and "above board" in his proposition.

Hankins Is Witness At Stanton Trial

City editor R. C. Hankins of The Reporter-Telegram was subpoenaed to appear in court at Stanton today, and left about 9:30. His summons, it is thought, came as a result of an interview which he had previously published following a visit to King Reed at a local hospital.

May Form National Cotton Sales Body

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(UP)—Plans for the formation of a \$300,000,000 national cotton cooperative sales agency were formally presented to the federal farm board today by the organization subcommittee. The farm board was expected to give its approval late today.

FIRE AT PORT ARTHUR

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Fire fanned by wind yesterday destroyed a lumber yard and furniture company warehouse, causing an estimated damage of \$60,000. Eddie Lehman, fireman, was injured when overcome by smoke.

COUNTY OFFICIAL DIES

FREDERICKSBURG, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Albert Schmidt, 62, treasurer of Gillespie County for many years, died today after a short illness.

STATE SUPT. MOVES BACK FROM ANGELO

Gulf Production Co. Consolidates Zones 4-7

Two major operating oil companies added to the fraternity of Midland oil men this week when the Independent Oil and Gas company returned its general superintendent of the Texas division from San Angelo and the Gulf Production company discontinued its Eastland office in favor of this city and Wichita Falls.

The Independent Oil and Gas company moved. Charles Daniel, general superintendent of the Texas division of the company, and H. R. Rehders to San Angelo about two months ago, and these two men are being returned to Midland.

The Gulf Production Company has moved its Eastland office to Midland and Wichita Falls in its plan of consolidation of Zones 4 and 7, it was learned from the Gulf officials today.

The consolidation of the two zones brings H. H. Johnson of Eastland and Frank Barron of Wichita Falls to Midland to work with the local office, which has acquired four more office rooms in the Petroleum building.

The Gulf company no longer has a representative at Eastland. The old zone there was No. 4, and its future operations will be handled at Wichita Falls by the personnel of Zone 7 with C. W. Hanley in charge of offices there.

Additional men are to be sent to Midland, but their names could not be learned today.

Rum Runner War Continues Today

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 31.—(UP)—The coastguard continued its war on rum runners today, capturing the fourth boat in three days. A patrol boat towed in an American patrol, Leona M. Sproul, with four prisoners and 700 cases of liquor. No shots were fired.

Secretary Is In Demand As Speaker

Two invitations have been received by the secretary of the Midland Chamber of Commerce to make speeches next Tuesday night. He accepted the one received first to make an address at the annual Ladies Night banquet of the Big Spring Rotary Club. The Rotary banquet at Big Spring will consist of stunts and the talk by the Midland man. The other invitation was from the O'Donnell Chamber of Commerce to speak on the subject, "Why a Chamber of Commerce."

Two Admit Part Waco Abduction

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(UP)—A couple arrested for kidnaping a Waco physician and cab driver were returned to Waco today. They are A. W. Kanady, 27, and his wife, Hazel, 25. Both admitted a part in the abduction and robbery, though Mrs. Kanady said she was forced into the kidnaping.

Red River Bridge Relieved Of Toll

SHERMAN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Effective at midnight tonight tolls on the bridge over Red River here are eliminated. Change to free bridge resulted from the purchase of the bridge by Texas and Oklahoma from Preston Bridge company for \$100,000. The structure will be operated jointly by highway commissions.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK REACHES FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY JANUARY 1

Citizens Rout Bank Bandit Gang

PHILLIPSBURG, Ohio, Dec. 31.—(UP)—A gang of bandits who spent the night attempting to force Ralph Davenport, cashier of the First National Bank, to divulge the vault combination were routed by armed citizens in a gun battle today.

The robbers' plans were frustrated when Davenport's 14-year-old son, returning home from spending the night with a chum, found the robbers menacing his father and mother with a machine gun. The boy ran to a nearby filling station and sounded the alarm.

All the village's male population converged at the Davenport home and routed the bandits.

It was thought one bandit was wounded as he was seen to slump in the rear seat of the car.

Second Demand For Mellon's Removal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The second demand for the resignation of Andrew Mellon, secretary of the treasury, during the current prohibition controversy, came today from Senator Brookhart of Iowa, republican only, who said he wanted not only Mellon removed but also others in the treasury department identified with enforcement. He indicated that he would carry the prohibition controversy to the senate floor next week.

Schools To Open Wednesday Morning

Opening of the Midland public schools is scheduled for Wednesday, January 1, following a vacation which has lasted since the Friday before Christmas. Teachers and pupils who have been out of the city for the holidays are expected to be arriving tonight.

Dallas Cotton Market

The cotton market is again very quiet with price fluctuations within a narrow range during the morning session. New Year holiday feeling prevailed and offerings were comparatively small. Prices eased owing to absence of active demand with noon calls steady to slightly lower.

Cables were lower than due, but this apparently was of no market influence here. Opening prices were steady 2 to 5 lower under scattered selling, evening up over holiday, with general trading expected to remain slow during the period, end of the year adjustments. Late in the morning March in New York sold at 17.31, May 17.55, or 5 to 6 points net lower. After continued featureless morning session list on midday calls was 1 to 4 net lower. Offerings were absorbed by limited trade buying. There is considerable interest shown in the news from Washington regarding the \$30,000,000 government sponsored marketing corporation, while news from dry goods centers continues favorable. General fundamentals of market are viewed constructive.

NEGRO "BUSTS" NOTE

LAMESA.—E. R. Jenkins, traveling salesman, experienced a "down in the mouth" feeling this morning when he reached in his pockets and discovered he had lost a brand new twenty dollar bill. With the aid of officers he managed to search out a negro who had found the bill, and within half an hour after his said discovery the twenty dollars were resting peacefully in his pockets. Needless to say the bill had been busted up into smaller change by the colored finder.

NEWCOMER LIKES MIDLAND

Fred Matthews, who operates the washing, greasing, polishing and Simonzing department at the Stillier Bros. garage, in the addition to Hotel Scharbauer, moved here recently from San Diego. He reports that he is well pleased with Midland and the business he is receiving in his line here. Matthews specialized in this class of business while living in California.

KILLED BY TRAIN

HEARNE, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Crushed between two cars in the Bryan railroad yards, Ben Burts, 32, died today. His arm was amputated in an attempt to save his life.

INVESTIGATION AMARILLO CRASH AWAITED TODAY

AMARILLO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—R. O. Dulaney of Dallas, district inspector for the department of commerce, arrived here today to investigate the airplane crash in which five were killed yesterday. He was accompanied by C. R. Smith, general manager of the Southern Air Transport for which Gray worked.

The wreckage on the course at Hillcrest country club is under guard pending their arrival.

Lieutenant Robert Gray, pilot and one of the victims, recently took over management of the municipal airport here. Others who lost their lives in the crash were Mrs. Gray, R. L. Allison, Amarillo tile dealer, Robert Moore, filling station proprietor, and C. M. Dillon, manager of an Amarillo lubricating company.

The plane had been taking up passengers at the country club all afternoon. Late today, after discharging a load of passengers, the five persons in the accident were taken up. After circling over the field for a short time, the pilot started to make a landing.

About 200 feet from the earth, the machine went into a spin, believed to have been caused by some fault in the tail of the machine. All were killed instantly.

MURDER TRIAL STARTS

CANADIAN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Pleading self defense, Earl Scott went to trial today for murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Mrs. Bonnie Turner on the streets of Berger April 15. First defense testimony was offered when Mrs. Scott, against whom similar charges were dismissed yesterday, was placed on the stand. The state awaited arrival of witnesses.

LAMESA AIDS SOCIETY

LAMESA.—Twenty-eight needy families were presented with food, clothing and Christmas boxes during the Christmas holidays here by the Lamesa Mutual Aid association in cooperation with the local churches and the American Legion. A list of families needing food and clothing was made a week in advance of Christmas by four committees appointed by the churches here. The Aid association distributed the boxes with the help of members of the various churches.

SCORES INJURED AS FIRE SWEEPS SCOTCH THEATRE

PAISLEY, Scotland, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Sixty to eighty persons, mostly children, were estimated to have perished in a fire which swept through a motion picture theatre here crowded with youngsters on a holiday matinee.

The children's panic as they jammed exits in a wild effort to flee brought the death roll up until officials said the deaths would pass sixty, and probably be nearer eighty.

The crust of boys and girls was so great that firemen had difficulty in dragging them through doorways.

TWO BURNED IN BOILER EXPLOSION

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two men were burned in a boiler explosion at the assembling plant of the Ford motor company here today. Although given hospital treatment, neither was said to be in serious condition. Considerable damage was done to the plant.

FIRE DAMAGES MCKINNEY

MCKINNEY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Three business buildings were destroyed by fire and a fourth badly damaged by smoke and water today.

In India Crisis



Lord Irwin, British viceroy for India (above), and Mahatma Gandhi, native leader in the new movement for Indian independence and complete separation from England, are pictured here. It was feared that the breakdown of conferences between them would be followed by serious disturbances.

WITNESSES BOTH SIDES TESTIFIED

Attorneys Expected Begin Argument After Noon

Possibility that the case of the State of Texas versus King Reed, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting on July 21, 1929, of J. C. Holcombe of Midland, will be completed some time tonight it appeared likely at noon today, according to information given by telephone by a Reporter-Telegram staff correspondent.

State Rests at 10:30

Selection of the jury was completed yesterday, and state witnesses were introduced thereafter at the opening of court this morning. The witnesses included W. T. Blakey, A. C. Francis, Dr. W. E. Ryan, Dr. John B. Thomas, J. S. Schow, W. R. Smith, Brooks Lee Ramsey, Jim Parker, M. E. Wood, E. D. Dulin, John Williams, Mrs. Fay Boykin, Miss Billie Denton, Bob Hancock and John King. The state rested at 10:30.

Motion made by the defense for an instructed verdict was overruled. Defense witnesses, testifying to the character of the defendant were introduced and still had the stand at noon. It appeared that taking of testimony would be completed early in the afternoon, after which argument of the attorneys would begin, with possibility that the jury would get the case by nightfall.

Reed To Testify

Defense witnesses who were called to the stand included R. J. Williams, judge of the 102nd district, Enos Elder, sheriff of Red River county; Bow Hewitt, sheriff of Tom Green county; Sam Haynes, Sam Calvin Boykin, E. A. Long, chief of police of Big Spring; Tom Porter, Clyde Miller, Frank House, John Nobles.

It was expected that the defendant would take the stand about 2 o'clock.

INSTITUTION HAS AN ENVIABLE RECORD

Marking the completion of 40 years of successful service and operation, January 1 is an important date to the First National Bank of Midland.

Taking the lead in the development of Midland and adjacent territory, the institution has seen a story of progress and has been a big factor in the expansion of the territory.

Had Five Cashiers

Organized in 1888 as a private banking institution, under the name of Connell Bros. & Scharbauer, the bank received a charter as a national bank on January 1, 1890, and has functioned under the name of the First National Bank of Midland, Texas, since that time.

During this long period of service, there have been only five cashiers, the cashier being active manager of the bank.

W. E. Connell, now president of the First National bank of Fort Worth, was the first cashier.

The next was J. T. Pemberton, he too going to a Fort Worth bank from Midland.

E. R. Bryan, now practicing law in Mineral Wells, then served as cashier for a long period.

He succeeded in 1914 by W. R. Chancellor, now in the real estate business at Lubbock, who served until 1925.

Ulmer Began In 1925

It was in October, 1925, that M. C. Ulmer, now active manager and cashier of the institution, began in that capacity.

He had served in various capacities for 18 years, but from 1923 to 1925 had been engaged in the Ford automobile business here.

Since Ulmer began his position as cashier, Midland has attained approximately three times the size it had when he went in, and under his management the bank has been a material factor in the expansion of the city.

Organizing in 1890 with a capital stock of \$100,000, the bank now has combined capital, surplus and undivided profits of more than \$280,000. It owns a modern banking home at the corner of Main and Wall streets.

The surplus fund, including the First Loan and Mortgage company, was built up from the earnings of the bank, and along with this accumulation, the institution has missed only five semi-annual dividends in the 40 years of its history.

For the past five years, the bank has paid 30 per cent annually on its original stock, the stock being valued now at about 4 1-4 to one.

Presidents Able Men

The presidents of the bank are given credit for much of the success of the institution. W. H. Cowden having served for more than 20 years. He was followed by O. B. Holt and then Clarence Scharbauer, present head of the bank.

The first National is one of the few West Texas banks that went through the long period of cattle depression and came out strong and able to take advantage of the growth which followed in the country.

The present officers include Clarence Scharbauer, president; E. P. Cowden, vice president; M. C. Ulmer, cashier; John P. Butler and Bert Ross, assistant cashiers.

The directors are Clarence Scharbauer, John Scharbauer, E. P. Cowden, M. C. Ulmer, Leon Goodman, Allan B. Connell and H. J. Neblett.

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King Reed, former Midland police chief, his wife and a married daughter were in the court room. The defendant appeared in much better health, according to Midland people attending the trial. The court room was packed throughout the morning.

Attorneys for Reed are Wright of San Angelo, Dunaway of Midland, and Reed of San Angelo.

District attorney W. R. Smith is assisted in the prosecution by Sam K. Wasaff of Midland.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



The one time you keep it quiet by telling people is when there's a sleeping baby in the house.

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MORE FUNDS ARE NEEDED

Rodney Dutcher points out that the new administration in the U. S. Indian Bureau is doing its level best to relieve the distressing conditions on government reservations, but that it is sadly hampered by a lack of funds.

For some time our treatment of our Indian wards has been little short of a disgrace. We now have competent, intelligent men in charge of this work, and they are doing their best to remedy matters; but they cannot go far without more money.

The budget bureau has refused to increase their funds. Only Congress can relieve the situation. It is to be hoped that Congress will act quickly and make available whatever sum is needed. The Indians deserve better care than they have been getting, and no federal economy program should be allowed to stand in the way.

A REAL MURDER MYSTERY

It is altogether a peculiar affair, this Ozark mystery murder case. It sounds as if some clever fiction writer must have had a hand in arranging things.

A girl accuses four men of murdering her sweetheart, saying that she saw them do it. The four are arrested. They promptly produce a man, alive and well, who says that he is the supposed murder victim.

The girl denies that he is the man, and so does another man, a former friend of the girl's sweetheart. But other people insist that he is—as, of course, he does himself.

All in all, it made such a puzzle that the jury acquitted the prisoners. From this distance it is hard to see how it could have done anything else. But—what did happen that night? There is evidently a lot to this that hasn't been told.

WHY THE NAVY OBJECTS

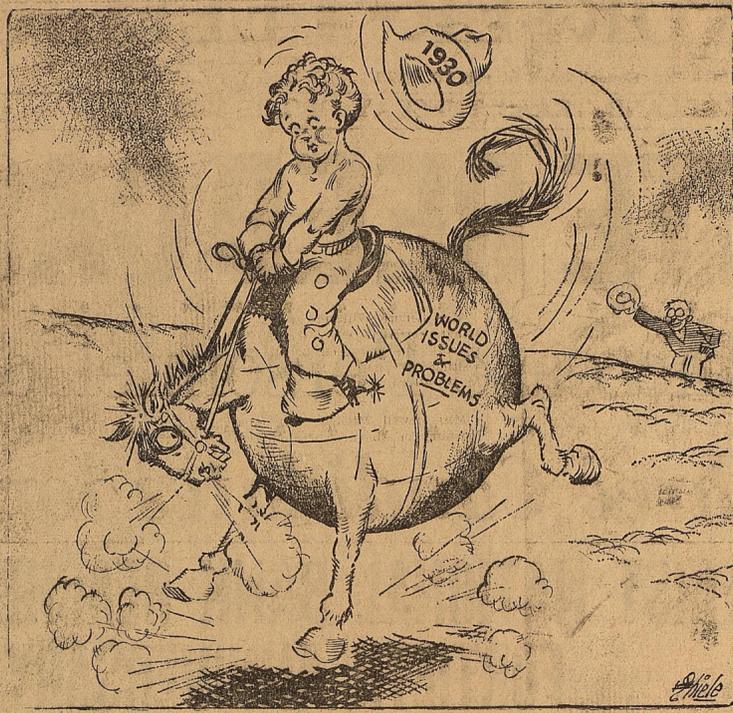
There is so much talk of naval disarmament these days that many Americans have grown just a bit impatient with our naval officers who are protesting against any proposals that would reduce the strength of the American navy.

Their position, however, is not hard to understand. They are trained for the national defense. They know precisely what its problems are. They know just what the value of each cruiser, submarine and battleship would be in case of war. And, as Rear Admiral Hugh Rodman once remarked—"A second-best navy is like a second-best poker hand."

That's the navy's viewpoint, and it's not hard to understand. Doubting the efficacy of any peace program, they want to leave nothing to chance.

In a way, too, they are right. We shan't do anyone any good by reducing our navy, unless we see to it, at the same time, that our foreign policy is so handled that the danger of war is removed.

Ride 'Im, Cowboy!



WASHINGTON LETTER

Representative Dallinger Would Take the Politics Out of Contested Congressional Elections By Deciding Them in the Courts Instead of in the Partisan House.

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Five Republicans are contesting for the seats of five Democrats in the House and the probability is that some of them would not have bothered to make a contest if they had not counted on support from the large Republican majority.

Congressman Frederick W. Dallinger, a Massachusetts Republican, has reintroduced a bill which would virtually remove the political element from decisions in contested election cases by transferring them from the House to the court of appeals of the District of Columbia.

He would end delay. The bill, if it became a law, would also reduce delay. The cases now pending arise from the election of November, 1928. Presumably they will all be settled during the regular session. But if a member is ousted from his seat by a contestant he keeps the seat he has drawn since March 4, 1929, and the contestant's pay also starts from that day, so that representation of the particular district temporarily costs the government \$20,000 a year instead of \$10,000.

Under Dallinger's proposal, both parties would file briefs with the court immediately after the election contest. Acting while Congress was in recess, the court would consider the merits of the case and render its finding of fact to the House, which would still have the final decision as provided by the constitution but which presumably would sustain the court at once.

"The time has come to put an end to the idea that contested elections are political issues," Dallinger says. "Partisanship is now very apt to be a controlling factor with the result that the real merits of a case often do not get the attention they deserve."

Under such legislation as I propose the House would be organized in strict accord with laws governing elections in the various states, expedited decisions in important cases would do away with the present long delay which is a distinct detriment to legislative work, the number of cases not based on real merits but instead on hopes of a partisan decision would be reduced and many personal and partisan considerations would be eliminated.

William Tyler Page, clerk of the House, is a strong admirer of the bill and is likely to appear for it before a House committee.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen of Florida is one of the members whose seat is being contested. William C. Lawson, whom she defeated by 30,000 votes last year, disputes her American citizenship. The wealthy Mr. Lawson also raised that issue in the campaign, but was licked just the same. His idea is that she lose her citizenship when she married Major Reginald Altham Owen of the British Royal Engineers, who is now dead. Mrs. Owen probably will keep her seat, as she is supposed to come in under the Cable act restoring pre-marital nationality status to American widows.

Former Congressman Ralph E. Updyke of Indianapolis is after the seat of Representative Louis Ludlow on the ground that Lud-

The Town Quack

Reserves the right to "quack" about everything without taking a stand on anything.



Well, the time for New Year's resolutions is at hand. I have advocated that everyone should make some resolutions, so I've decided to make one myself. I resolve that if anyone finds out who the Town Quack is, I will quit. The reason I make this resolution is that the editor has told me he will fire me if my identity becomes known. It's a case like the fellow who quit his job because the boss said something he didn't like. When asked what the boss said, the fellow replied, "you're fired."

Aviation has lost its thrill. If you doubt it, why do you think Becherer and Fritz were shooting at each other with bird shot in a bending position Sunday? The boys can't get a thrill from flying or stunting, so they pull this thrill producing form

low, a newspaper correspondent, was a resident of Washington and not of Indiana. This issue of in-habitancy was raised against James M. Beck of Philadelphia following a special election in 1927. But Beck, although he also was charged with being a Washington resident, kept his seat by vote of the House.

Vincent L. Palmisano of Baltimore is defending his seat against former Congressman John Philip Hill, the famous wet. Hill polled 330 votes less than Palmisano, according to the count, but he alleges fraud, especially in Palmisano's own precinct. Each of these men claims to be vetter than the other, which is pretty wet.

Charge Fraud in Texas
Then there's the case of former Congressman Harry M. Wurzbach against Congressman Augustus McCloskey of San Antonio. McCloskey skun through by a 300 vote and Wurzbach alleges fraud in manipulation of the returns in Bexar county. It has been pretty well established that someone monkeyed with the returns, but Wurzbach's election remains to be proved.

The other contest is that of Henry F. Lawrence, a former banker, against Congressman Jacob L. Milligan of the third Missouri district, who was returned by the bare majority of 39 votes. Lawrence claims errors in the count. He took his case to the Missouri supreme court, claim-

ing that several judges had failed to sign poll books, and that those precincts should be thrown out, but the court decided that voters should not be disenfranchised because of the carelessness of a few judges.

All these cases now rest with the House elections committees, which will hold oral hearings if necessary and later report to the House.

STAGE AND SCREEN SHOW IS MIDNIGHT FEATURE
A big double program is scheduled for the Midnight Frolic at the Yucca tonight, according to reports from the management. The picture is one unusually fitting such an occasion. "The Night Parade," a Radio special is the film attraction. It is said to be a glittering spectacle of night life in America's greatest city—New York. The stage attraction, "The Black and White Revue," with many vaudeville features and a highly recommended stage band, have also made special provision for a unique Midnight performance. Special settings and costumes will be used. The show has been designed to order for a midnight special. But we will not overlook the fading moments of the Old Year and the dawning of the New, the management stated. Exactly at midnight the Old Year is to be tolled out and the New Year tugged in. It's just a big party—everybody's party, said manager Bonney. And we are going to see to it that they have a big time.

Page Way Stage Lines
Daily Schedules

Table with 2 columns: East Bound and West Bound. Lists departure times for various routes including El Paso, Los Angeles, Fort Worth, Dallas, Peecos, Carlsbad, Carlsbad Caverns, Roswell, and Denver.

Chronology PART II

Following is a chronology of the outstanding news events during the latter six months of 1929:
July 3.—All day riot marks New Orleans carmen's strike. Two die, hundreds hurt.
—Cleveland fliers, Byron Newcomb and Roy Mitchell, set new record for endurance, 174 hours.
July 7.—John D. Rockefeller has 90th birthday.
July 9.—Roger Williams and Capt. Lewis A. Yancy land at Santander, Spain, ruel gone after fighting head winds on 31 1-2 hour hop in fog.
—British submarine sinks with 21 men in Irish sea crash.
July 11.—California fliers, L. W. Mendell and R. E. Reinhart, descend after 246 hours in air.
July 13.—Coste and Bellonte turn back from ocean flight.
July 14.—Major Kubala was injured and Major Idzikowski killed in forced landing in Azores.
July 17.—Soviet breaks off relations with China.
July 18.—Nine dead, one missing in Colorado as train plunges off bridge.
July 21.—S. S. Bremen arrives in New York after record-breaking trip of four days and 18 hours.
July 22.—Three killed, 20 hurt in riot at Dannemora prison, New York, of 1300 convicts.
July 24.—Building of cruisers suspended by Britain and United States as Hoover proclaims Kellogg pact.
July 25.—Pope leaves Vatican for first time in 59 years.
July 28.—Convicts riot, put torch to Auburn prison, N. Y. Two many hurt.
Aug. 4.—Graf Zeppelin lands at Lakehurst, N. J., from Germany in 93 hours.
Aug. 6.—Zeppelin off at 12:30 a. m. on flight around the world.
Aug. 11.—Earth tremor felt in five eastern states.
Aug. 14.—Eight Japanese officers die as plane crashes.
Aug. 18.—Fire sweeps S. S. Paris at dock in Havre.
Aug. 20.—Swiss transatlantic fliers, Oscar Kaeser and Kurt Luescher, missing since passing Azores from Lisbon.
—Nick Mamer and Art Walker land Sun God, first fliers to complete round trip, non-stop flight across continent.
Aug. 21.—Ramsay MacDonald announces he will visit U. S. in October.
Aug. 22.—Nine Jews and three Arabs killed, 110 injured, in clash blamed on Moslems in Jerusalem.
—Miss Helen Wills retains women's tennis title.
Aug. 29.—Haguq parley reaches agreement. Rhine to be free in June, 1930.
—Lady Heath crashes at Cleveland, Ohio.
Aug. 30.—Seventy die, 40 saved as ship sinks in 3 minutes in collision in Pacific. S. S. San Juan crashed with Standard Oil Tanker S. C. T. Dodd.
Sept. 4.—Transcontinental Air Transport plane crashes into mountain, eight killed.
Sept. 5.—Six New York banks victims in \$500,000 credit and check fraud by C. D. Waggoner of Colorado.
Sept. 11.—Louis Marshall, noted American lawyer, died abroad at 73.
Sept. 13.—Eight leaders seized in Gastonia strike in North Carolina on Red plot charge.
Sept. 15.—Seven men accused in Gastonia killing of woman "striker."
Sept. 16.—Britain sends call for naval parley to meet in London in January, 1930.
Sept. 20.—Eighteen die, 47 injured in fire and panic in Detroit cabaret.
—William B. Shearer, naval "observer" questioned by Senate committee.
Sept. 22.—President Hoover promises to make capital "model dry city."
Sept. 23.—John Coolidge weds Florence Trumbull in simple ceremony at Plainville, Conn.
Sept. 25.—Miller Huggins, manager of Yankee baseball team for 12 seasons, dies.
Sept. 27.—Hurricane kills 20 in Nassau, gale reaches Miami.
Sept. 28.—Premier MacDonald calls for United States.
Oct. 2.—Dr. Gustav Stresemann dies suddenly in Berlin.
—Three die in strike riot in N. Carolina.
Oct. 3.—Jeanne Eagles, stage star, dies.
—Colorado convicts kill 10 guards in riot.
Oct. 5.—Bishop John Gardner Murray presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. since 1925 dies while conducting sessions of Bishops' Convention.
Oct. 14.—Athletics win World Series.
Oct. 17.—Senator Bingham of Connecticut accused in lobby inquiry of hiding status of his tariff aide.
Oct. 20.—Edison re-creates his electric lamp as Hoover leads in tribute to him.
Oct. 21.—Dornier Do-X, world's largest flying boat, carrying 169 persons makes a 110-mile cruise over Lake Constance, Germany.
Oct. 22.—Briand beaten in French Chamber of Deputies; resigns with cabinet.
Oct. 24.—New York stock market experiences worst day since 1914, with drop of \$11,250,000,000 in market values.
Oct. 28.—New York stock market experiences another sweeping decline, loses from \$8,000,000,000 to \$14,000,000,000.
Oct. 31.—Hoover appeals for speed on tariff, debating senators see no hope for bill. Republicans admit coalition control.
Nov. 1.—Albert Fall gets year in prison, \$100,000 fine.
—Soviet fliers, arrive in New York, completing 12,500 mile journey started last August from Moscow.
Nov. 2.—Aaron Youngquist gets Mabel Willebrandt post.
Nov. 5.—Mayor Walker reelected in New York.
—Air liner hits hill, kills 6 in England.
Nov. 7.—Firm French policy in foreign affairs pledged by Har-dieu, new premier.
Nov. 12.—Thomas Mann, German novelist, wins Nobel prize for literature.
Nov. 15.—President Hoover calls leaders of nation to confer on ways to spur business.
Nov. 17.—Nineteen slain as Mexico elects Ortiz Rubio president.
—T. F. O'Connor, "Father of Commons," dies.
Nov. 18.—Secretary Good, died after appendicitis operation.
Nov. 20.—Harry F. Sinclair leaves jail.
Nov. 23.—Georges Clemenceau dies at 88.
Nov. 29.—Commander Byrd safely flies over South Pole and back to base.
Dec. 2.—Secretary Stimson sends to Russia reminder of peace pact, France and Britain join. Russia later in sharp rebuke.
Dec. 5.—George McManus acquitted by order of court of killing of Rothstein.
—Italy's sovereigns make first visit to Pope in Vatican.
—U. S. Marines rushed to Haiti because of revolt there.
—Senate bars Williams S. Vane as Senator from Pennsylvania.
Dec. 10.—Ten die, 8 hurt in film studio blaze, New York.
Dec. 11.—Eight convicts killed in new Auburn, N. Y., prison.
Joseph R. Grundy appointed to seat in Senate from Pennsylvania.
Dec. 16.—Major Tadeo Larra-Borges of Uruguay and Lieut. Charles of France fly from Seville to Brazil.
In less than 100 years the United States has mined more than four and one half billion dollars worth of gold.
A machine which filets 2500 herring an hour has been invented; it removes 200 bones from each fish in one and one-quarter seconds.
Political Announcements
Subject to action of the Democratic primary election, July, 1930.
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WOMEN

Mrs. Adams Entertains For Miss MacLaughlin

Miss Francis MacLaughlin of Houston was honored at a bridge party given Monday by her sister, Mrs. John E. Adams.

The holiday spirit prevailed in house decorations, and appointments for the bridge tables.

Miss Mary Garrett, who held high score for women, received a yellow organdie boudoir pillow, and Harold Forgeron was given a box of crystallized fruit and suifed dates for holding high score for men.

Salad plates were passed to Misses Daisy Lindsey, Ira Crouch, Mozelle Downing, Mary Garrett; Messrs. Harold Forgeron, Georges Vorbe, Wallace Irvin and Dee McCormick, and Messrs. and Mmes. A. G. Malone and John E. Adams.

Circle Meetings Of Presbyterian Women Monday

Members of Circle One of the Presbyterian Auxiliary had as their subject for discussion, "Aged Ministers," when they met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. John E. Adams.

Mrs. J. M. DeArmond, leader, gave the devotional which was Acts 5:42, and Acts 13:23.

Mrs. W. P. Knight gave a talk on "Bread and Butter," stressing ministerial relief.

"Evening Bell," an appeal for retired ministers, was given by Mrs. Florence Richardson.

The program was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Florence Richardson.

In a business meeting, committees from this circle were appointed to have charge of the decorations for the church each Sunday during January.

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Plans were also made to dispose of the remainder of clothing left from a rummage sale held a short time ago in Little Mexico.

After the program, the hostesses served a salad course.

Circle Two met with Mrs. J. L. Green, with ten members present.

A short business meeting was held in the fore part of the afternoon but no definite plans were made.

The program opened with the twenty-third psalm read in unison.

Mrs. R. C. Crabb gave a scripture reading as devotional, after which Mrs. Fred Campbell, leader for the afternoon, gave a topic concerning ministerial relief.

Prayers were given and hymns read.

In closing the program, Mrs. W. G. Whitehouse read Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar."

The January meeting of this circle will be with Mrs. C. W. Alcorn.

Scripture Study At Young People's Meet

Miss Esther Mae Hodo was hostess to the Young People's Missionary Society in her home Monday evening.

A short business meeting preceded the program.

As a lesson study, each one present gave her favorite verse of scripture and the meaning of each one of these verses was taken under discussion, as to its meaning.

Miss Hodo served dainty refreshments at the close of the program.

It was decided to hold the next meeting with Miss Alta Mae Johnson, Monday, Jan. 13.

Midnight Preview At Ritz Tonight

"South Sea Rose," the attraction showing in a midnight preview at the Ritz tonight is one of the greatest pictures of the year and will be shown, beginning at 12 o'clock, for the first time in the country, the formal date for its release being January 1.

This perfectly recorded and synchronized talking picture opened Sunday at the Majestic in Fort Worth and will open in others of the biggest theatres over the state tonight.

The enchanting Lenore Ulric is starred, and a grand cast supports her. Settings and costumes are in perfect accord with the tone of the picture, which will also show Wednesday and Thursday.

The regular Tuesday night program has as its feature "Should a Girl Marry?" with the winsome Helen Foster, Donald Keith, and a number of other screen favorites.

This picture will show until the opening of "South Sea Rose," at 12 o'clock.

Happy New Year!

By Fanny Darrell.



THE last day of the Old Year! A day of sadness, yet a day of rejoicing. Sadness for those whose past year has been but a useless striving; a year of vain regrets and re-pinnings. Rejoicing for those who have forged ahead and placed themselves firmly on the road to victory.

have failed and determine that the New Year will bring you a realization of your dreams. Take Love into your confidence, for Love is the eternal conqueror. Where Love is, there can be no failure. So when the clock hands point to the midnight hour, then and there determine that you'll make good—and watch the glad happiness of Love's face as he smiles from the clock and promises you his help!

Baptist Women Entertained in Home Of Mrs. Youngblood

The Reagan, Walker and Lockett Auxiliaries of the Baptist W. M. S. met Monday in the home of Mrs. Ella Youngblood for a social and study hour.

The Reagan Auxiliary had charge of the program, which occupied the first part of the afternoon, with Mrs. B. A. Wall as leader. The program was as follows:

Song. Prayer—Mrs. H. B. Dunagan. Devotional led by Mrs. George Streater.

Prayer—Mrs. George F. Brown. "Faith Essential To Real Fellowship,"—Mrs. George Streater.

Hymn. Prayer—Mrs. W. H. Spaulding. "Christ In Nationalism and Internationalism"—Mrs. B. A. Wall.

Prayer—Mrs. J. N. Phillips. "Unto The Perfect Day,"—Mrs. J. C. Nobles.

The program was closed with prayer.

During the social hour which followed, Mrs. Youngblood assisted by Mmes. A. J. Gates, H. B. Dunagan, M. R. Hill and R. J. Moore as co-hostesses served dainty party plates.

CHEAPER AND BETTER BREAD FOR MIDLAND

We have large contracts for flour and other ingredients used in making the best bread, and are now in position to offer bread to Midland merchants so they can sell it at 19 cents or three for 25 cents.

We have employed one of the finest bakers in the South, and are making the best bread and rolls ever sold in Midland. We are for Midland and are willing to live and let live.

If you want to eat the purest and most healthful bread and rolls, be sure you get Malted Milk Bread and Perfection Rolls. The City Bakery is owned by W. H. Spaulding, who has for the past twenty years, supported every forward movement of Midland and we want two thousand more Midland people to use our bakery products.

Thank you for past patronage and solicit a larger share in 1930. City Bakery.—Adv.

A. S. Legg and Mr. Wisebrick of Dallas are attending to business in Hobbs today.

Miss Louise Hardin of Gatesville will arrive in Midland today to visit Miss Emily Flanigan. Mrs. J. M. Flanigan will accompany the girls to Lubbock tomorrow morning where they attend Texas Tech.

The WOMAN'S DAY

The men of this generation may hate to put on swallow-tail coats, and feel silly in high hats—I mean some of them may—but I am in a mood to prophesy that the boy of tomorrow will be as style conscious as his sister.

He will be as meticulous about his shirts as she is about her hats. And furthermore, his standards will be his own. He will need no mother to guide him into the realms of elegant haberdashery.

Recently I went into one of New York's smartest shops where children are clothed—a place where they don't realize that they ought to be able to buy a simple little matching tie and handkerchief for a boy of ten for less than \$5.

While a friend was making purchases, I sat down to rest in a corner, and along came a boy probably between 12 and 14, to do some shopping for himself. He was, I should say, a prep school boy—really a handsome youngster, clean-cut and lithe, and his manners with the salesman were impeccable to say the least.

In a space of say ten minutes, he ordered himself four suits and his first tuxedo. The suits went very rapidly so far as he was concerned—they were to be made to his measure from stock styles. He selected two tweeds that were excellent taste, one to be made with knickers and one with regulation long trousers.

His selection of a navy blue showed admirable restraint and knowledge of what's what. But it was the Tuxedo suit that brought forth all the latent Beau Brummellism in his youthful consciousness. He was meticulous about all points where any question of personal taste was involved.

He knew exactly the type of lapel that he wanted, and just the material, and there was just one certain type of shirt, with an invisible stripe in the material, that he would have and no other.

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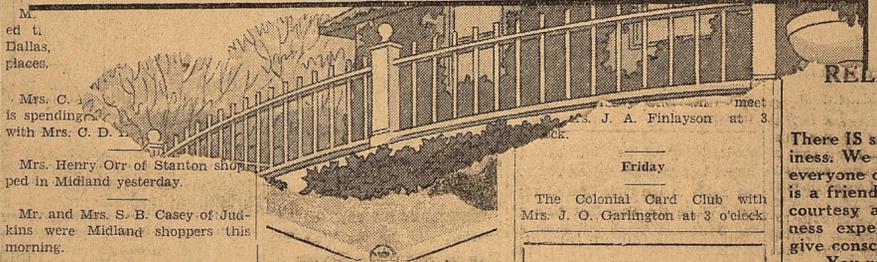
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A SERIOUS VENTURE His purchases were made with the utmost seriousness and dignity on his part. There was none of the spirit of carelessness that one so often associates with the adolescent boy and his clothes, none of the contempt some boys associate with fine raiment. In fact, there was nothing boyish or immature at all about this youngster. He knew clothes, knew what a boy should wear for various occasions, and he accepted it, and triumphed over the ordeal. But believe me,

Bodies on for First Time



Mrs. C. ... is spending ... with Mrs. C. D. ...

Mrs. Henry Orr of Stanton shopping in Midland yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Casey of Judkins were Midland shoppers this morning.

Mrs. Alma Thomas and sons, Thalbert and Louis, returned to Austin this morning where they attend the University. Miss Lucile Thomas accompanied them.

Mrs. C. C. Quinn and sister, Mrs. Boggs, of Big Spring were in Midland today.

Misses Dorothy and Bennie Sue Ratliff, Eulalia Whitefield and Helen Hodges leave tomorrow to resume their studies at T. C. U. at Fort Worth.

Pearl Ballard, oil man, whose headquarters are in Gonzales, is in Midland today.

Frederick Guthrie has returned from a visit to Prescott, Arkansas.

Fred Shields of San Angelo is in Midland on business today.

Millard Eldson is in Midland from his home in Lovington, New Mexico.

The custom of milking cows from the right side is almost universal.

Patricia Bowman is one of these little girls who ought to get "a great big hand." But it wouldn't do her much good, for being a radio star, she couldn't hear you. She's the latest regular member of Roxy's "Gang." She is Prima Ballerina of the Roxy Theatre, also.

HOW A MOVIE ACTOR STARTS A HECTIC DAY

A typical start of a typical day for the poor movie actor is described by Eddie Quillan, fast becoming Hollywood's best little quipper.

He wakes up at 8:00 and dislocates jaw with a prodigious yawn. Crawls out on the wrong side of the bed.

Nearly freezes to death dressing in the cold, damp morning air. (query: is it possible that the air is ever cold and damp in Hollywood?)

Gets shirt on outside of suspenders.

Loses collar button under dresser. Is forced to shave with a dull blade.

Realizes that he has but twenty

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A REVIEW of the Year Recalls to our minds the liberal patronage and good will of a large number of friends and acquaintances whose kindness have meant so much to us and our business during the months just passed that we want to make a general expression of appreciation of the many favors you have bestowed upon us. Take from us our heartiest wishes for a most happy new year. HYATT, MIMS & CRANE

December, 1929. A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff Midland County, Texas. (Dec. 17-24-31.)

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland. In District Court of Midland County, Texas. Oklahoma National Bank, Plaintiff vs. W. W. Brunson et al, Defendants.

Whereas, by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the District Court of the Midland County, Texas on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 7th day of September, A. D. 1929 in favor of the said Oklahoma National Bank and against said W. W. Brunson, S. W. Estes and Annie Brunson executrix of the Estate of W. H. Brunson, deceased, number 2184 on the docket of said Court, I did on the 23 day of December, A. D. 1929 at 9 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in the County of Midland, State of Texas and belonging to the said W. W. Brunson et al, Section No. three, Block No. 41, Township 3 South, certificate 3249, T. & P. Ry. Co. Grantee and on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1930 being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the courthouse door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said W. W. Brunson in and to said property.

Dated at Midland, Texas, this 22 day of December, A. D. 1929. A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff of Midland County, Texas. (Dec. 24, 31, Jan. 7, 14.)

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Midland County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon J. W. Fowler, alias Albert Mullis by making publication of this Citation once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Midland County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Midland, on the First Monday in February, A. D. 1930 the same being the Third day of February, A. D. 1930, then and there to answer a petition filed in

said Court on the First day of November A. D. 1929, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2302, wherein Minnie Fowler is Plaintiff, and J. W. Fowler, alias Albert Mullis, is Defendant, and a brief statement of plaintiff's cause of action, being as follows: That plaintiff is, and has been for more than twelve months preceding the filing of this suit, a resident inhabitant of the County of Midland, State of Texas; that on March 2, 1929, plaintiff was married to J. W. Fowler; that since said date it has been discovered that J. W. Fowler is one, Albert Mullis; that he had a living wife at the date of plaintiff's marriage to the said J. W. Fowler; that plaintiff was ignorant of such fact until October 23, 1929; that plaintiff has not lived, nor cohabited with the defendant since October 23, 1929. Prior to her marriage, her name was Mrs. Minnie McLain; that she has one child, Minnie Lois McLain.

Plaintiff prays that her marriage with the defendant be dissolved, declared null and void; that plaintiff be restored to her former name,

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Mrs. Minnie McLain; for costs of suit; and for such other and further relief to which she may justly be entitled.

Herein Fail Not but have before said Court, at its next regular term; this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Midland, Texas.

On this 23 day of December, A. D. 1929. J. M. Shelburne, Clerk, District Court Midland, County, Texas. By Nettie C. Roamer, Deputy. Issued this the 23rd day of December A. D., 1929. J. M. Shelburne, Clerk, District Court, Midland County, Texas. By Nettie C. Roamer, Deputy. (SEAL) (Dec. 24, 31, Jan. 7, 14.)

Valuation of building permits at principal cities reflected a decline from October, being 37 per cent less, and 39 per cent below that of a year ago. Production, shipment and new orders for lumber likewise showed a large decline.

The business mortality rate reflected an improvement during November even though the trend of failures is usually upward at this season. Both the number of insolvencies and aggregate indebtedness of defaulting firms was less than in the same month last year.

Debits to individual accounts at banks at larger centers were 13 per cent less than the record volume in October, but exceeded those of the corresponding month last year by 5 per cent. The daily average of combined net demand and time deposits of member banks in the Eleventh District, after showing a seasonal increase in September and October, reflected a slight decline in November.

The progress of farm work throughout the district was retarded during the past month as a result of general and persistent showers and low temperatures which kept farmers out of the fields," the review said. "Nevertheless, farmers have used available opportunities to complete harvesting operations and to prepare the soil for next year's crops. While the rains have damaged to some extent that portion of the crops unharvested, they have been valuable in placing a deep subsoil season in the ground. Furthermore, they have been valuable to small grains. The seeding of these crops is nearing completion and the crops on a large area are up to a good stand.

"Production of citrus fruits and vegetables in South Texas has been in large volume this year and shipments have been exceedingly heavy. Shipments of grapefruit during the current season have been more than three times as large as during the same period last year and have already exceeded shipments during the whole of last season. Shipments of practically all kinds of vegetables are likewise running considerably ahead of a year ago. According to the Federal and State departments of agriculture total shipments of citrus fruits and vegetables from Texas during the current season to December 14 totaled 8,772 cars compared to 1,512 cars during the same period of the previous season.

"Weather conditions during the past month were unfavorable to livestock in some parts of the district as rain and low temperatures caused livestock to lose flesh. Nevertheless, the Department of Agriculture reports that cattle are going into the winter in fair to good shape. Prices on all classes of cattle worked to a lower level during the month. The market, however, showed a steadier tone toward the latter part of November and quotations on some classes were higher during the first week in December. Hog prices, after showing some strength toward the middle of November, reflected a steady decline throughout the remainder of the period. Sheep and lamb prices also worked lower.

"Reflecting a reduction in all fields except one, total production of crude oil in the eleventh district declined from 27,784,550 barrels in October to 26,565,050 in November. Field activity, as shown by the number of completed wells, likewise reflected a decline but initial output of oil was materially higher. Of 639 completions during November, 315 were producers of oil, yielding 222,674 barrels of new production as compared to 919 completions in October of which 482 were oil producers with an initial flow of 142,344 barrels.

"Daily average output of all fields in Texas showed a total decline of 8,131 barrels of oil although gains were reported in the Texas Coastal and Southwest Texas regions. Activity in North Texas subsided materially as only 166 wells were completed as against a total of 295 in October. Operations in Central West Texas, particularly in Pecos county, were decidedly productive as evidenced by new production which amounted to 145,248 barrels from only 112 oil producers in November as against 39,715 barrels from 161 producers completed in October. Barbers Hill, for the first time since the discovery of the deep flank

sands, increased its daily average output to first place among producing fields in the Gulf Coastal region. While the Salt Flat field of the Southwest Texas continued as the largest producing unit in that area, its total output in November was considerably lower than in the previous month. Total production in North Louisiana amounted to 1,112,100 barrels as compared to 1,231,100 in October.

November receipts of cotton at Houston and Galveston were smaller than in October, according to the review. Livestock receipts at Fort Worth also reflected a decline for the month. Operations of cottonseed oil mills showed a considerable slowing down while consumption of cotton and production of cloth at textile mills were on a lower scale than in either October, this year and November, 1928.

Rain, snow and low temperatures not only retarded picking of the unharvested cotton crop, but wasted the equivalent of many bales and lowered the grade of unpicked cotton, the review said. "In some areas many late bolls rotted. While a large percentage of the unpicked cotton is in West and Northwest Texas, Arizona and New Mexico, there is considerable scrapping to be done in other areas."

Demand for dry goods at wholesale showed a further sharp decline during November, being 33.5 per cent less than in October and 23.5 below November, 1928. After a strong demand for farm implements during the fall months, November business reflected a slowing down. Sales of the reporting firms were not only 43.6 per cent less than in the previous month, but were 3.5 per cent less than in November, 1928.

Sales of reporting wholesale drug firms showed a decline of 9.1 per cent compared with October. Sales of wholesale groceries reflected a seasonal decline of 10.8 per cent. Distribution of hardware at wholesale prices was reported at 11.6 per cent below those of October.

THE INFLUENCE OF PROHIBITION

KALAMATH FALLS, Ore.—Eleven years after prohibition, the effects of the amendment are being felt in Dorris, Calif., 22 miles south of here.

Dorris has been a problem to dry officers. All efforts of the law have been withstood to enforce prohibition. Bars have run wide open here until recently, because to arrest and transport a violator to where he could be tried has proven to expensive.

But a recent vote of the Dorris city council set the town "dry," and prohibition agents have succeeded in finally closing all the bars.

A tiny humming bird not much larger than a common house fly is often seen in many East Indian countries.

Sixty per cent of the homes in Kansas are served by power lines. The other 40 per cent are largely in the rural districts.

DeLuxe Launderers and Cleaners advertisement. Text includes: 'PHONE 575', 'A Service for Every Family Need', 'Flatwork — 8c lb.', 'Wearing Apparel 30c lb.', 'Rough Dry — 8c lb.', 'QUALITY DRY CLEANING AND PRESSING', 'The Soft Water Laundry'.

Midland County

"Midland is the chief oil headquarters city for the West Texas Permian Basin and Eastern New Mexico," is the introductory sentence of an article about this city in the December-January issue of "The Lufkin Line," official organ of the Lufkin Foundry and Machine company.

Accompanying the article are three photographs, one of the 12-story Petroleum building, one of the 7-story Hotel Scharbauer, and one of Sloan Field, with a fleet of planes in front of the hangar.

The comment on Midland in the magazine follows: Midland is the chief oil headquarters city for the West Texas Permian Basin. Midland is the only oil town in West Texas with an active petroleum club. Midland, next to Houston and Fort Worth, has the greatest concentration of oil field telephone lines of any city in Texas.

Midland is absolutely modern in every detail, including natural gas. It was Midland's strategic location, modern city conveniences, deluxe Scharbauer Hotel of 150 rooms and 150 baths with an additional 100 rooms under construction, two telegraph companies, schools with 33 credits of affiliation (the highest ranking in the Permian basin), modern offices, the 12-story Hogan Petroleum Building, being one of the four handsomest office buildings in Texas, varied and high class amusements, good roads to the fields, and good living conditions that induced T. S. Hogan to build the magnificent petroleum building at Midland. Above—Midland Airport, 12-story Hogan Building and Scharbauer Hotel of 250 rooms.

WHAT'S THE DIFF? MAYS LANDING, N. J. — Figure this out—all caused by matrimony. A Risley woman becomes a step-daughter-in-law to her own father, and her husband becomes step-son-in-law to his own mother.

Witness my hand, this 16th day

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Midland.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Midland County, on the 16th day of December, 1929, by J. M. Shelburne, District Clerk for the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-one and 72-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgment, in favor of R. B. Cowden in a certain cause in said Court No. 2229 and styled R. B. Cowden vs. D. H. McCook and Melia McCook and, placed in my hands for service, I, A. C. Francis as Sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did, on the 16th day of December, 1929, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Lots No. 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of said Block No. 5 of Belmont Addition to town of Midland and levied upon as the property of D. H. McCook and Melia McCook and that on the first Tuesday in February, 1930, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door of Midland County, in the Town of Midland, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said D. H. McCook and Melia McCook.

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

EXPERT CONCRETE WORK advertisement. Text includes: 'Three Years Concrete Contractor in Midland', 'Consult Me on Your Sidewalk Paving', 'I will give you concrete work you will always be proud of—At a Reasonable Price', 'J. M. JONES', 'PHONE 493 RES. 111 W. PENN.'

MAY ALL HAPPINESS BE YOURS advertisement. Text includes: 'As the year nineteen hundred and twenty-nine is about to pass into history, and we turn our thoughts toward the new year, it is well that we remember our friends and patrons and wish them all happiness for the new year and in some measure express our thanks for their patronage in the past.', 'HOME FURNITURE CO.', 'EXCHANGE FURNITURE CO.'

"Long Distance" costs less than ever before advertisement. Text includes: 'Fourth reduction in three years effective Jan. 1', 'One good reason for using "long distance" — if you are not already familiar with its pleasant and profitable uses—is to be found in its constantly decreasing cost.', 'Hereafter, day "station-to-station" calls to points 60 to 300 miles away will cost 10 cents less in most cases, 5 cents less in the few remaining cases.', 'Annual saving to U.S. telephone users—5 million dollars.', 'A POLICY AT WORK', 'Walter S. Gifford, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, recently declared this policy for the Bell System: "... a telephone service for the nation more and more free from imperfections, errors or delays, and always at a cost as low as is consistent with financial safety."', 'Here you see a policy at work!', 'SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY'.

New Ford Bodies on Display Today for First Time

New
RUSTLESS STEEL

New
STREAMLINES

New
ROOMY BODIES

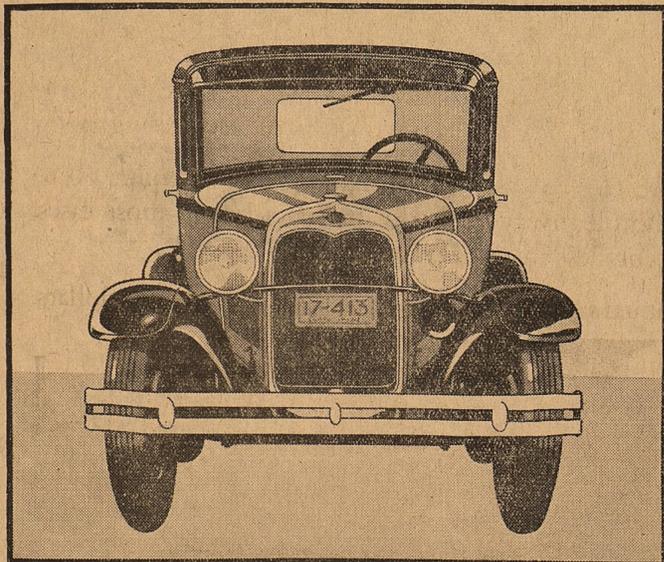
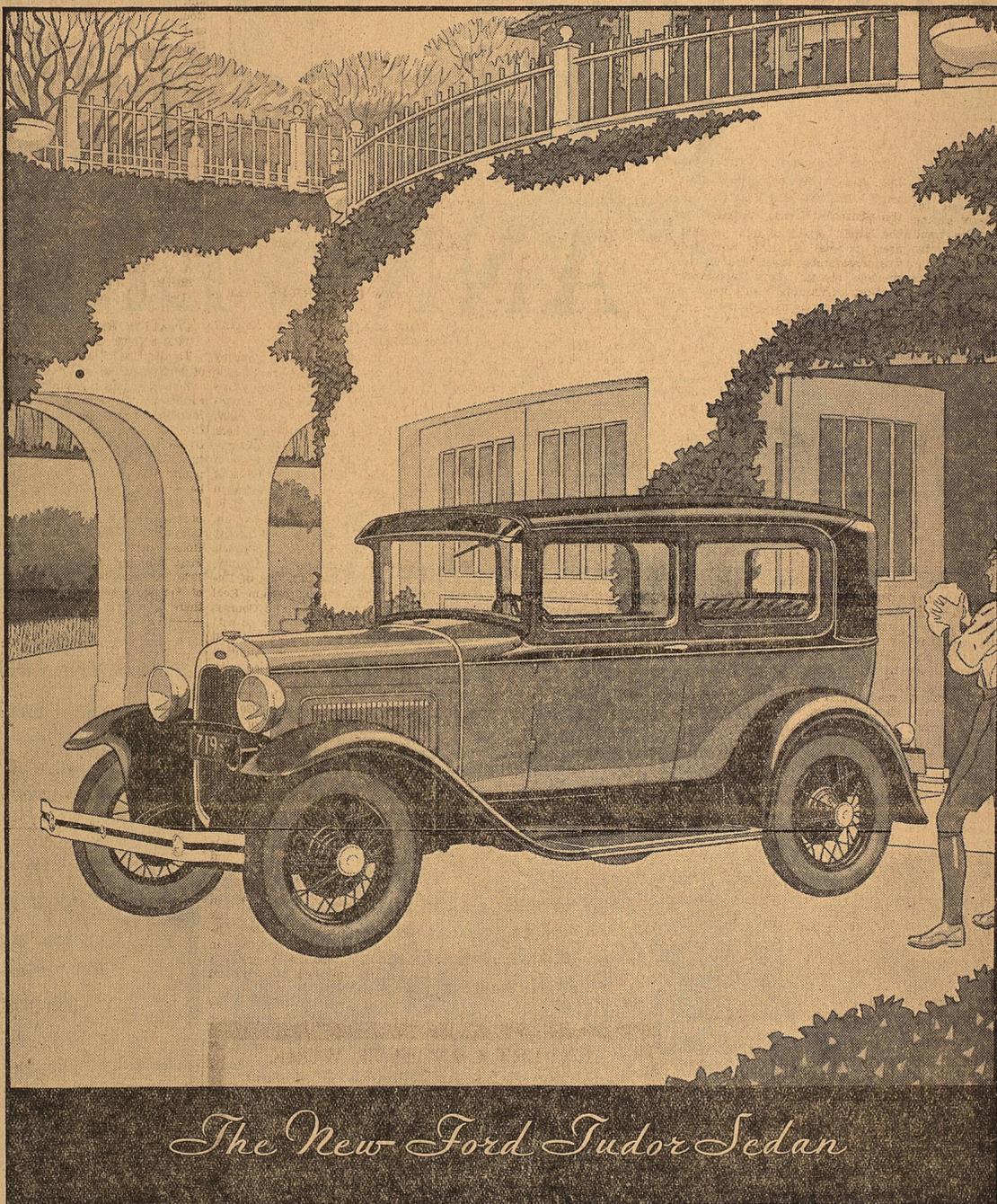
New
LARGER FENDERS

New
DEEPER RADIATOR

New
SMALLER WHEELS

New
LARGER TIRES

New
COLORS



TODAY marks another great forward step in the history of the Ford car. For today the new Ford bodies will be officially introduced and a new beauty brought within reach of every one.

Take a little while today, therefore, to visit the showrooms of the nearest Ford dealer and see these beautiful new Ford bodies. Note the new roomy interiors, the new deeper radiator, the new hood and cowl, the new fenders, the new streamlines, the new wheels and tires, the Rustless Steel used for exposed metal parts—everything that contributes to this new beauty for the new Ford.

To outstanding mechanical performance, the new Ford now adds a new grace of line and contour. To motorists everywhere these new bodies are a further reflection of the Ford policy of constantly improving the car and of giving value far above the price . . . \$435 up—f. o. b. Detroit.

A BANK THAT 40 YEARS HAVE TESTED AND FOUND STRONG ON THIS OUR 40th ANNIVERSARY

It is pleasant to look back for a moment upon the trail which this bank and this community have traveled together through the years—Forty years of steady growth and faithful service, of community progress and mutually helpful association.

We are proud of our extended period of service, and of the confidence which our depositors have placed in us. And by devoting all our efforts and resources to the advancement of local interests we expect to make our influence still stronger and our service better with each added year.

At this season of universal happiness, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage. Ours has been the privilege, the opportunity for a service which we sincerely hope has accomplished its mission in bringing unqualified satisfaction.

This firm welcomes the opportunity to express its appreciation to the people of Midland and Midland's Trade Territory for the great progress made during the past and hopes for all a continued prosperity.

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GRID DEMONS TO CARRY ON--THIS TIME IN BASKETBALL SUITS

OLD FRIENDS CAST IN NEW ROLES AS MOLESKINS ARE CAST AWAY AND BREVITIES ISSUED

Football is gone for another year, but the names that blazed in bold type across the sports pages through heroic and sensational grid deeds will pop up before our eyes in the point columns throughout the basketball season.

"Football is a great sport, but I get more fun out of basketball," are the words of Wesley Fesler, Ohio State's grid hero and acclaimed All-American end by many critics. A glance at rosters of basketball squads taken at random indicates that other stars of the stadium feel much the same as Fesler.

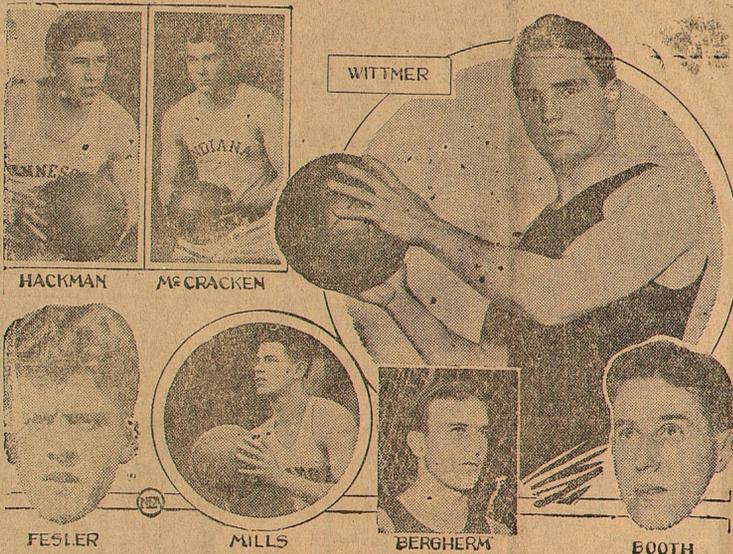
The Western Conference is full of basketball-playing gridgers or football-playing cagers, as you prefer. Lanky Branch McCracken, Indiana end, is captain and center of the Hoosier five. Glenn Harmon, Purdue's flashy halfback, shares the captaincy of the Boiler-maker quintet with elongated Stretch Murphy. Douglas "Gaga" Mills was one of Zuppke's best halfbacks, but he also is captain of Craig Ruby's Illinois quint.

For the third year Coach George Veneker at Michigan has appropriated big Joe Truskowski, end, for his basketball team immediately following the grid season.

One of the greatest assets of Northwestern's eleven, Russ Bergherm, the tall fullbacking person, is regular forward in basketball.

Other sections of the country have athletes who take to the hardwood sport as well as football. Albie Booth, the Yale sparkplug whose untiring efforts gave the Bulldog a win with Army and victories over Brown and Dartmouth, scampers on the Ell court. Eddie Wittmer, a great halfback in spite of what Princeton did on the football field in 1929, is captain of the Orange

Grid Men Ready for Cage Season



HACKMAN

MCCRACKEN

WITTMER

FESLER

MILLS

BERGHERM

BOOTH

and Black basketballers.

Buddy Hackman and Gene McEver, the Hack and Mack team, more popularly known as the "touchdown twins" of Tennessee, are regulars of the Volunteer quintet. They are forwards and, if you would take the word of Southern Conference members, none are so forward as Hack and Mack.

There are others, too. Brainy Frank Carideo and smashing Joe Savoldi of Notre Dame are members of Coach Keegan's quintet. A regular guard on "Phog" Allen's Kansas team is Jim Bausch, bone-rushing fullback. University of Arkansas finds Wear Schoonover most valuable, for in addition to his sensational forward pass-catching the tall Razorback end plays center in basketball, first base in baseball and any number of other little jobs.

An All-Southwest Conference selection at guard in football was Mike Brumblow, Texas Christian captain. He fills a varsity berth on the cage team. Noble Atkins, football center, also holds down a regular job on Francis Schmidt's Horned Frog five.

SWEDE WANTS BOAT TO TAKE HIM TO OMAHA

BEAUMONT.—(P)—The port of Beaumont has received an order that it admittedly cannot fill.

A Swedish seaman who made his way by stages from his homeland to New York, thence to Galveston, and from Galveston to Beaumont, asked a harbor-master as to the possibilities of catching a ship here for Omaha, where he has relatives.

BLIND MAN RIDES TO HUNT

CHIRENO, Tex.—(P)—Blind for the past 19 years, G. H. Mattauer of Chireno holds a record for being one of the most accomplished fox hunters in East Texas.

Mattauer, now 45 years old, loved the chase in his youth, and one day when he was firing an old rifle the chamber exploded and put out both eyes. He still kept at his hobby, and today the leading fox hunters of East Texas tell that he is one of the best companions to have along on a hunt, that they never have to wait on him and that he usually is on hand at the kill.

Mattauer says that in 19 years of riding, mostly at night, he has had only two falls. One was when his horse fell into a sump hole and the other when he stepped into a soft spot at the end of a bridge, letting him drop four feet. Mattauer held onto the horse's tail and rescued himself from his predicament.

"Horse seemed to know I was in trouble and just did as it could to help me," he said.

Mattauer has all the confidence in a horse the average blind man has in his dog.

FINDS HOME AFIRE

LAMESA.—While A. J. Cline, farmer, was shopping in Lamesa this morning his home caught fire, a few miles east of here, and his neighbor, who lives almost a mile from Cline's home, with the help of some passing motorists managed to put the blaze out before serious damage was done. Cline did not know of the fire until he had returned home.

120 YEARS OLD

RED WING, Minn.—"Indian John" Smith, member of the Sioux tribe on Prairie Island, is said to be 120 years old. John Otherday, another tribesman, tells of how "Indian John" hunted with his grandfather 37 years ago when his grandfather was past 80. The old Indian is lying helpless in the home of a relative, although he eats well and smokes his pipe.

MONOCLES FOR MISSES

LONDON.—London society and fashions have decreed that the well-dressed damsel shall sport a monocle in the eye. Strange variations of this single eye-glass have made their appearance adorning fair faces. A plain glass is the commonest design, attached to the dress or coat with a slender back of gold thread.

MASTER OF ANIMALS

MOSCOW.—Vladimir Durov has trained many animals in his collection here to do many unusual things. He has trained a wild cat to mother a mouse; a bear to operate a water pump system; birds to jump on guns as soon as they're fired; wolves to fear sheep; doves to become vicious, and a chimpanzee to write.

Once there was a man who came east in winter from California and suddenly was stricken dumb. He did the only thing left for him to do, of course—he killed himself.

SIMMONS' NEWSPIRITS MENTOR WILL LEAD MEN GANST SMU ON TUESDAY

ABILENE.—Leslie Omfill newly elected coach at Simmons University, will lead his men into the first intercollegiate contest under his tutorage Tuesday night at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, when the Cowboys tangle with the Mustang basketball team.

Ten men are being taken along by the Simmons mentor on this first trip. The Cowboys will play the strong Denton teachers in two games while on the road. Letting in making the trip are: Gregg, McCollum, and Houghton, forwards; Manewes, center; and Smith (captain), guard. Others are: Harrison, Leane, and Cooper, guards; Scripps, later; and L. Gregg, forward.

The Simmons coach will throw most of the work in these games on the regulars. By shifting McCollum to guard, he can start a combination of letter men which went through the Texas Conference season undefeated last year. He is well pleased with the string of his veterans but is worried about reserve material. Harrison, Cooper, and Ribble have shown up all thus far, but the last named wistay at home this time on account of an injured foot.

"We do not expect to look very good against the Mustang and the powerful Denton team, but we hope to be going good by the time our Conference season starts," Coach Cranfill said. The first interconference game is with Trinity January 25.

ROBOT CHOIR

BERLIN.—Choirs and organists will be replaced in churches if the movement started in German churches spreads. Phonographs replaced these musicians, and two of them, playing the same record, carefully synchronized and the sound magnified, produce a full-toned volume.

PERFUMES TO MATCH

LONDON.—The latest edict of society here is that perfumes shall

"SHOOT" HIS PICTURES

LONDON.—William Hayter, South London artist, uses a system of painting his pictures employed by no other artist. With a revolver-like instrument he sprays pictures and portraits on his canvas. He can paint a square yard a minute by this system. He has also painted the walls of churches and moving picture houses with his "revolver."

THIS BUILDING IS DEEP

TOKIO.—Japan has proposed building a skyscraper "backward," or constructing it as far below the ground as those of America rise into the sky. One contemplated will be 80 floors deep, having a steel framework and in the form of a huge cylinder, 155 feet in diameter and 1100 feet deep. It will cost \$12,500,000.

Errorgram

(1) Niagara, in the man's conversation, is spelled incorrectly. (2) The man has a lighted cigaret in both hands. (3) The man's socks do not match. (4) One tip on the man's collar is long, the other short. (5) The scrambled word is ADVICE.

RITZ

It Pleases Us to Please You

TODAY ONLY

"SHOULD A GIRL MARRY"

When She Has a Past?

with

Helen Foster—Donald Keith

ONE-MAN SUB

MILAN.—A one-man submarine has been developed here which will permit an individual to hie himself for a quiet little excursion at the bottom of the sea. It is 53 feet long and 10 feet wide. It contains tanks supplying sufficient oxygen for 60 hours under water.

RUSH

THE YEAR'S GREATEST CLEARANCE

IS NOW GOING ON

In spite of the heavy demands made on our store yesterday and today, we still have many, many real values left.

The people of Midland know that a "Barrow Sale" is a genuine Sale. You get the best furniture at the lowest price and every piece sold is guaranteed to give you satisfaction.

For the rest of this week (three more shopping days) Every item in our store with the exception of "Beauty Rest" mattresses is being offered at greatly reduced prices. Take advantage of this opportunity to supply your furniture needs at great savings.

Our store will be closed tomorrow in observance of New Year's. Be early Thursday morning.



WE ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH A SALE UNLESS YOU ARE

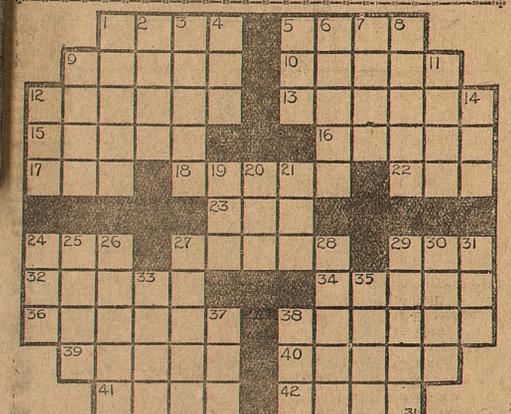
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A Real Brain Teaser



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1 What is isinglass?
 - 5 Vein.
 - 9 Silent.
 - 10 What is the name of the true fire?
 - 12 To signify.
 - 13 What is the sweet potato called?
 - 15 Solitary.
 - 16 To deride.
 - 17 Blomish.
 - 18 Tether support.
 - 22 Sheep.
 - 23 Before.
 - 24 To wander.
 - 27 What archangel was cast out of heaven?
 - 29 Sun.
- VERTICAL**
- 6 To degrade.
 - 7 Local position.
 - 8 To hoist.
 - 9 Tissue.
 - 11 To simmer.
 - 12 Water obstruction.
 - 14 Verb.
 - 15 Beverage.
 - 20 Skill.
 - 21 Largest part of a not.
 - 24 Fuel.
 - 25 In rank.
 - 26 Giver.
 - 27 Sunfeits.
 - 28 Prickly pear.
 - 29 Brainless.
 - 30 Solely.
 - 31 Lion.
 - 33 Manufactured.
 - 35 Game.
 - 37 Insect.
 - 38 Part of a curve.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

DIVINE DATIVE
ICE ARSON ION
CON TAPED ALA
END USEK SLAT
D BKED SHINE
PALEK REACT
CATES PEND G
AROW PAPA SIR
SON ALLOT ORA
ELLI LASSO DON
SECRET ERRANT

BRUSHING UP SPORTS . . . By Laufer

RAY CALDWELL

IN THE THIRD INNING OF A GAME AGAINST THE YANKEES, CALDWELL OF CLEVELAND WAS KNOCKED FLAT BY A BOLT OF LIGHTNING. UNINJURED, RAY GOT UP AND FINISHED A NO-HIT GAME. (SEPT. 10-1915)

SUGGESTED BY SIEVE O'NEIL, MANAGER OF THE TORONTO INTERNATIONALS, WHO CAUGHT THE GAME.

GRAND LAST TIMES TODAY

RONALD COLEMAN

in

"THE RESCUE"

COMEDY

10c and 25c