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# HARD FREEZE FORECAST TONICHT 

 Spain Situation Tense as Revolution Is Aimed at King broadcast station to be installeo during holidays
singing, orchestra, renditions, short
advertisisg talks and other audible
forms of entertainment. Much of
the music will be devoted. to Christ-
mas carols. The programs will start
Dec. 19 and will be given every dav
throug Dec. 24 exept Sunday.
Midland is perhapt the smallest


## MYSTERY BLAST

## DESTROYS HOMES

 OF MOVIE STARS$\qquad$

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As Einstein Arrived in U. S.


INSTALIATON OF COTTON HITS LOW
KNICHTS PYTHIAS MARK OF SEASON
SET FOR TONGHT NEW YORK TODAY

## PANHANDLE BLANKETED WITH SNOW

Mercury Hovers in Near Freezing Range Today
$\qquad$ of Oklahoma today while a chilling north wind brought
he first real touch of win-
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Figure in Merger


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 THE HORROR IN THE FOG
The horror story lies in a compartment of literature
that will always be popular. In fiction, in history or in the
daily newspaper, the story that sets a chill running up
and down the spine is a story that never fails to be attrac-
tive.
But straight horror is not quite enough. There must
be, also, an element of mystery; and, even more import-
ant, the mystry must be of a kind that seems to demand a
supernatural explanation. There must be some final
twist to it that ordinary cause-and-effect logic cannot
touch. The reader must be asked to believe that there are
more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in
his philosophy.
So it is that this tale of the deadly fog in Belgium
was, quite rightly, a front-page sensation in the news-
papers. It had all of the required elements. It was the
horror story at its best; and in the unexplained back-
ground of it there lurked that dreadful, chilling sugges-
tion of malefic powers at work, that inkling of frightful
forces such as Bram Stoker or Arthur Machen might have
described.
 a matter-of-fact and placid region as that; Gothic castles
and inaccessible mountain valleys are the stage-props of
the amateur.
This fog, then, settled down heavily. People breathed stayed indoors. Cattle died, untended, in the barns. T
fog was the very embodiment of evil.
And then came the investigation. Poison gas le tuilty. Doctors talked vaguely of respiratory affliction wives talked of the Black Death. Scientists went to dis-
secting rooms to pursue the riddle. But always, in the background, there was that loop-
hole for doubt; that port opening onto the unseen world;
that incredibly frightening that incredibly frightening suggestion that here was some-
thing which scientists could never understand.
That was what made the story really gripping tually, of course, the doctors will come up with some per-
fectly sensible explanation of everything; but in the meanwhile there is material here
corner tales in the shadows

## THE HOME FIGHTS BACK Lecturers and magazine writers who have

 Lecturers and magazine writers who have been hold-ing funerals for the home ever since automobiles and jazz
entered the social picture are due for a surprise. Home-
life is not dead. It isn't even dying. These professional
maurners are so busy with the obsequies they overlook the maurners are so busy with the obsequies they overlook the
fact that the home is readjusting itself to new conditions and is coming through stronger than ever. uries that once were for the few are now enjoyed by mul-
titudes. Home drudgery has gone out as the vacuumcleaner and electric dish-washer have come in. The auto-
mobiles that take families away from home also bring them back to listen to the radio. And with time to prac-
tice putts and drives, mother and sister have joined father tice putts and drives, mother and sister have joined father
and brother on the golf links. Such is the text of an article
in the Rotarian. "Don't think the home is standing, still," writes Elmer
Peterson in the "Rotarian Magazine," (or December. "It
has learned the lessons of progress and invention and is has learned the lessons of progress and invention and is
now running neck and neck with the outside elements.
The home will win out, for it has attractions the outside can't possibly duplicate.
"There is the private garden, the joy of the family
circle, the pride of possession, the gratification of home and the countless things that make home the happiest
place on earth "For thousands of years the home was unaccustomed
to such rivary. It was not to be wondered at that the past
tweenty-five years of suddenly accelerated competition twrenty-five years of suddenly accelerated competition
should at first find it unprepared. Now the home has
caught its breath and is resounding vigorously to the new

## Side Glances

by Clark


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The greatest disappointment in the world is an empty stocking on Christmas morn-
ing. Surely, you don't want any scenes like this in this community while you are en-
Soviet Leaders Use the Courts for Good Morale



Daily Washington Letter ${ }_{\text {Rodney }}{ }^{B y}$ Dutcher


## ROGER W. BABSON

The Internationally-known Business and Financial Expert writes on the

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Who is more fitted to answer these burning questions than Roger 'W. Babson, a recognized authority and financial adviser to thousands? REMEMBER THE DATE DECEVBER 26

## SOCIAL NEWS PAGE FOR WOMEN

Cantata and Pageant Are Presented at Methodist and Christian Churches on
Sunday Evening; Attendances Larg Presentation of a choir singing a Christmas cantat
"The Manger and the Star," and a color ful pageant, TTe ing the Story"," were attended by large crowds of Midland
poople on Sunday evening. Attendances at the churches
were were unusually large despite the unfarorabale weather
Said to be the best choir recital ever heard in MidSaid to be the best choir recital ever heard in Mid-
land the Chistas program of the First Methodist
Church hoch was ons of exeetion
opening as an invisibe
sinjing Silint Nisht, soliowed by
cornet solo by R. E. Shrader, "The
Nocal Housewives' Manger
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totid in song abie directi
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## FIVE BASKETBALL GAMES SCHEDULED FOR THIS WEEK IN GYM






[^0]:    "He's asking for a date during Christmas week. Do
    ou think that broken fingernail will be grown out by

