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"I fear a pacifist unless the emphasis is on the fist."
—James R. Sheffield.

The Weather

WEST TEXAS—Fair tonight and Friday. Colder and freezing in the southeast tonight.

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RURAL MAIL ROUTE IS EXTENDED

One Dies, One Not Expected to Recover from Blast

DEFENSE RESTS IN MURDER CASE INVOLVING MIDLAND GIRL

DEFENSE SCORES HEAVILY

Testimony Attests to Dead Woman's Addiction

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18. (UP).—Defense attorneys rested their case at noon today in the trial of Major Charles Shepard, charged with murdering his wife so that he could wed Miss Grace Brandon, San Antonio stenographer, who left Midland in 1924 to take a business course.

Four medical experts and an army officer were called before the direct testimony ended for the defendant.

Witnesses called in Shepard's behalf after he had completed his own testimony told the jury Mrs. Shepard drank bootleg liquor to excess, was in poor health and despondent, stated on several occasions she did not love her husband and had hinted at suicide.

Miss Lillian Turner, beauty shop proprietor at Junction City, Kan., near Fort Riley, testified Mrs. Shepard was "staggering drunk" at 11 a. m., May 20, 1929, when she called to have her hair dressed. That was the day she was seized with the fatal illness.

Private Robert L. Crawford, negro orderly for the Shepards, testified Mrs. Shepard drank two bottles of beer and three-fourths of a water glass of whisky before 8 a. m. the day she was stricken.

Three-fourths of a tumbler of whisky was her "customary" drink, he said. He testified he purchased liquor from a bootlegger almost daily for the major's wife.

Crawford also said Mrs. Shepard had talked to him of death and said she had heard her mention possible divorce and marriage to another man.

The wives of two army captains, Mrs. Ruth Winchester and Mrs. Helen Holycross, told of remarks by Mrs. Shepard that she was going back to California "in a box."

Bus Skids, 19 Hurt On a City Street

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18. (AP).—Nineteen were injured, two seriously, when a street railway bus skidded on an icy street and crashed into a street car. Officers estimated that 45 were on the bus.

Literary Society Presents Program

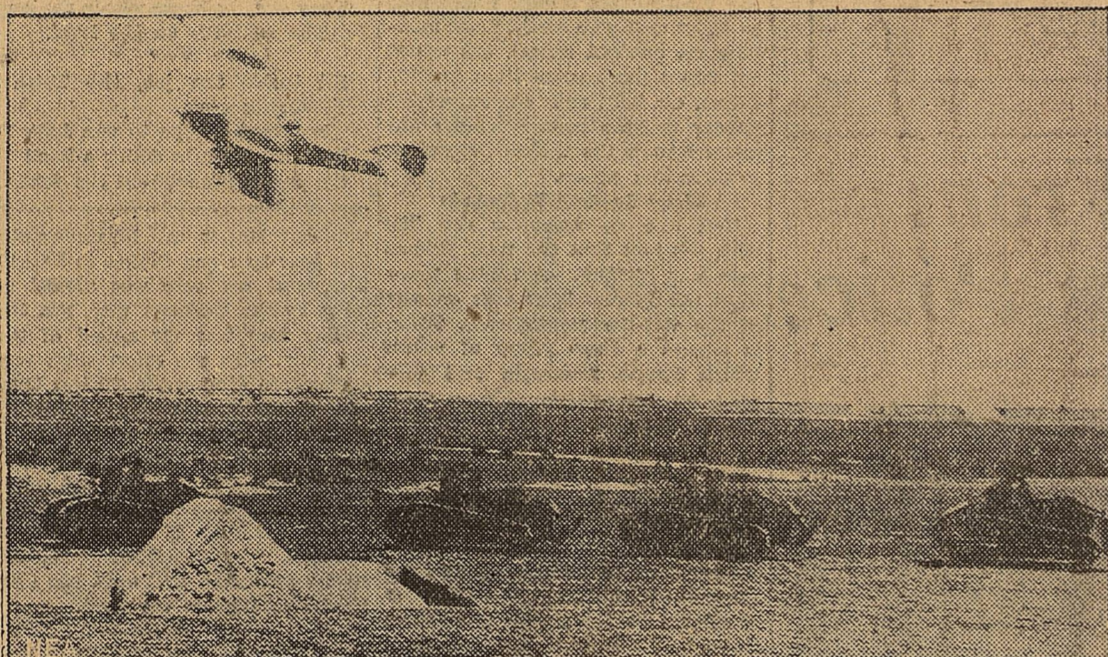
The Midland high school literary society will hold open session for Midland citizens Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the auditorium.

A Christmas program, consisting of readings, solos, a medley of Christmas carols and a playlet, has been arranged.

Miss Lena Solomon, public school music teacher, is director of the carol choir which includes the entire high school student body. Mr. Wallace Wimberly plays the musical accompaniment.



Where Revolt Threatens in Spain



TOP—There was no hint of civil strife in Spain when the peace-time military maneuvers pictured here were held before King Alfonso. Now parts of the Spanish army are reported to be in actual or threatened revolt against the government. Military planes like the one in this photo, fled over Madrid, dropping leaflets announcing the beginning of nation-wide revolution.

LEFT—Rioting by Communists and extremists inaugurated a reign of terror in San Sebastian, Spain. This is a general view of the city, taken from the water-front. Offices of the Civil Government were raided by rebels and several persons were reported to have been killed in street fighting.

HOUSE PASSES BILL FOR FUNDS OF FARM BOARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18. (AP).—The house today passed the Wood bill, incorporating President Hoover's recommendation of an additional \$150,000,000 for the federal farm board. The bill now goes to the senate.

MIDLAND COUNTY OIL TEST MAKING SULPHUR WATER

Four ballers of sulphur water per hour were reported being made by the Kervin et al. No. 1 Mathena, Midland county, oil test 15 miles southeast of here today, from 4,205 to 4,215 feet.

Information as to what procedure would be taken with the operation had not been reported. The test is in section 40, W. T. Gray pre-emption.

Veteran Jockey Is Pneumonia Victim

NEW YORK, Dec. 18. (UP).—Clarence Kummer, 31, jockey who rose to international fame astride Man O' War, died today after a week's illness of pneumonia. He was a veteran in horse racing.

Hospital Site Is Paid by Government

WACO, Dec. 18. (UP).—Arthur Stewart was today presented with the United States government check for \$79,791.10 for 512 acres of land here for a site for the Veterans Neuropsychopathic hospital.

University Vice President Suicides

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18. (UP).—Warren Bovard, 45, vice-president of the University of Southern California, died today from a self-inflicted bullet wound. He left a note to his wife but did not explain the suicide.

Shave and a Hair Cut, No Bits at the Llano

Johnson to Work Free for Poor Kiddies—Wemple and Tolbert Prophets—Poetry, Students and Jas. P.

By R. C. HANKINS
Poor children who cannot pay to have the work done can get their hair cut free at the Llano Barber shop. M. D. Johnson has done this service numerous times in the past and will be glad to do so again. The Welfare association can qualify youngsters for the service simply by giving them a note to Mr. Johnson.

"This shop would be glad to aid the work of the association through giving this free work to those who deserve it," he said. "Not only that, but I would be glad to take a half dozen poor children and continue giving them free barber service. The work of caring for the poor is a twelve-month proposition."

Frank Cowden brought in a bag of toys and a bundle of clothes once worn by Courtney Holt and James Franklin, his two sons. Dorris Harrison, popular high school student, made her contribution shortly after noon; Mrs. Boone, wife of a Hughes Tool company employe, gave several pair of shoes to the relief fund and others called that they would be at the chamber of commerce office this afternoon with contributions. Looks like Midland (See INTERVIEWS page 6)

TEXHOMA'S NEWS PLANT WRECKED

Accumulation Gas Is Believed to Be Responsible

DALHART, Dec. 18. (UP).—Mrs. I. D. Devine, injured late last night when a mysterious explosion wrecked the new plant of the Texhoma Times, weekly newspaper of Texhoma on the Texas-Oklahoma border, died in the Loretta hospital here today. Burdick Smith, Linotype operator, was not expected to live.

I. D. Devine, publisher of the Times, was seriously but not critically injured.

It is believed that the explosion was due to accumulation of natural gas.

An early report that two men were seen running from the building just before the explosion was discredited by officers. Houses all over the city shook. Windows in a nearby church were shattered.

The Texhoma Times is being issued from the plant of the Dalhart Texan today.

The three victims were brought here on a train immediately after the explosion.

Rotarians Given Trip to New York

"Taking the Rotary club for a ride," an imaginary boat ride up and down the Hudson, Harry L. Haight was the principal entertainer at the luncheon today with a lecture on New York City.

He had a large map of the city and its surrounding area and gave interesting historical data to emphasize points about which he lectured.

Tap dancing by C. A. Goldsmith, Paul Hyatt and Johnnie Journey, pupils of Mrs. Paul T. Vickers, was a feature on the program. Mrs. Ben Cowden played the piano accompaniment.

Announcement was made the next week's meeting will be held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Ritz theatre, in connection with the free show and gift distribution to all Midland children 12 years old and younger. Santa Claus will be present and will be assisted by all members of the Rotary club in distributing gifts.

Crier Finds Town Improving Territory

Will Crier, Abilene man here on business, finds in the volume of business in Midland a proportionate analogy to that in Abilene.

"Abilene is the center of a big trade area," Crier cried, "and there are large numbers of Christmas shoppers on the streets there. People for miles around come to the 'city' to buy gifts and necessities."

Crier, who has lived in Midland and knows most of the residents of this section, said he noticed people from various towns around Midland shopping here this morning.

"Midland has a good trade territory and is continually enlarging that territory," he said.

Kidnapped Gambler Released on Ransom

DANVILLE, Ill., Dec. 18. (UP).—James M. Ward, Chicago gambler who has been missing for a week, walked into the Danville police station today and announced that he had been freed from kidnapers on payment of \$50,000 ransom. He said that he was released after relatives paid according to kidnapers' instructions.

Dry Law Jails Woman, 86, and Daughter



Mother and daughter—86-year-old Mrs. Martha Napier and Mrs. Mary Manly, 45—have been sentenced to a year in jail and fined \$50 apiece for operating a still in Goochland county, Va. They are pictured above as they sat in a cell in the Henrico County jail after their conviction.

WORK OF BAYLOR UNIVERSITY IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND NEEDS OF SCHOOLS ARE OUTLINED

Declaring that where God is left out nations fail, Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist church of Dallas and recognized as one of the ten outstanding ministers of the world, gave a stirring address on Christian education at the Baptist church Wednesday night.

Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor university, was also a speaker. Dr. Truett's treatise was on Christian education in general and on the work of Baylor university at Waco in particular. He pointed out the necessity of education in this day of perfected methods, inventions and discoveries, and declared that where the state schools cannot go any farther Christian education steps in.

He paid tribute to the state schools but made the statement that Christian education is the only complete education. He showed by statistics where Christian schools furnish most of the leaders in all lines, including teachers, missionaries, statesmen and those in the professions and in business.

The great strides made in Brazil during fifty years, starting by the work of two missionaries who went there from Baylor university, were told of.

Or. Truett and Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor university, told of the plan on foot to raise \$200,000 before December 31 in order to receive from the educational board at New York \$300,000 for the endowment fund of the school. These two men and Carr P. Collins of Dallas are devoting all of their time to the Greater Baylor campaign. The gift of \$75,000 by H. L. Kokernot was told of.

Midland Baptists and former students of Baylor were asked to respond as liberally as possible in order to defray all of Baylor's debts in time to receive this endowment fund.

The visitors spoke highly of the growth of Midland into a modern city since their former trips here.

15 Cents Will Save City Equivalent of Pack of Cigarettes Would Abolish Charity Fund Necessity

If everybody in Midland would spend an average of 15 cents more per day, times would be normal in Midland.

This is a deduction made by Midland business men, based on a national survey which holds that if everybody in the United States averaged spending 15 cents more per day, there would be no depression.

Nobody is urged to splurge, but to spend normally.

Many people in Midland are unconsciously taking bread from the mouths of poor people in Midland, it is charged. Some of the very people in Midland who profit from the business men of Midland are buying their suits and overcoats and auto tires and hardware and autos and other things away from Midland.

Every time somebody buys mail order auto tires, mail order groceries, mail order clothes, mail order jewelry, or buys these things in Fort Worth, Dallas or some other city, he is unconsciously making some Midland mother's children go hungry, a Midland business man

40.3 MILES ADDED; BIG ADVANTAGE

New Route Will Reach Three Communities Now Untouched

Extension of rural mail service from Midland effective January 16 was announced today by Mrs. Mary S. Ray, postmistress, and Troy Eiland, carrier. The new service will give daily mail delivery to the Cotton Flat community south of Midland, the Stokes school community to the east and to the community northwest of Midland, although not extending as far as the Pleasant Valley school.

The additional service will take in a distance of 40.3 miles, making a total mileage for the route of 74.6 from the Midland postoffice.

Farmers who will be served by the extensions are asked to erect boxes as soon as possible, according to requirements of the postoffice department, Eiland said. Boxes must be on the right hand side of the road as traveled by the carrier, with bottom of box 46 inches above the ground and conveniently placed on a level spot in order that carrier can serve the box without getting out of his car.

All new boxes must be of the number two or large size, Eiland said, although former patrons who have the number one or smaller boxes which are still waterproof may continue to use them.

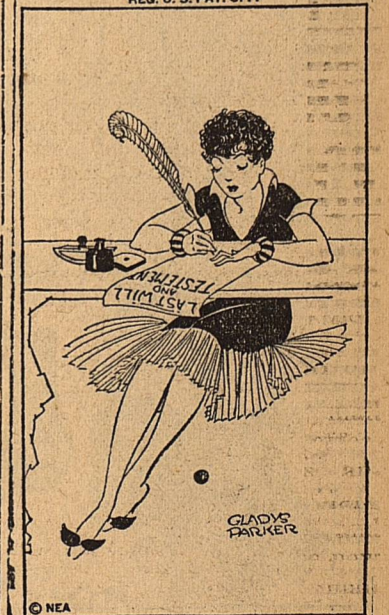
Name of the user should be on the box in neat black letters one inch in height. Boxes should be erected promptly.

"Service with a smile" is the motto of the carriers, Eiland said. He points out to farmers the value of subscribing at this time to daily papers while bargain rates are in effect so that rural mail service may be enjoyed to the fullest extent.

One-Hour Road To Rankin Now

Caliche placed on sand beds on the oil field and ranch road between Midland and Rankin has made that thoroughfare a fast highway. Midland commissioners have recently had the road graded its entire length in Midland county and this week completed the caliche road bed work. Upton commissioners have their segment of the road in fine condition, and cars can now travel between Rankin and Midland in little more than an hour. This road gives fast connections to oil fields in Pecos, Upton, Crane and Reagan counties.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:



There's no use drawing up a will until you've drawn down some cash.

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WE MUST KEEP FAITH!

To small boys and girls Santa Claus is as much a part of Christmas as the babe in the manger, the three wise men, and the angels who sang the first glad carol.

Childish dreams have a habit of getting broken as the year goes on. Somebody else gets the new red wagon on which a little boy had set his heart. The pink beads that would have made a little girl grow starry-eyed hang around another's throat.

But children have a secret place in their hearts where a shining belief lives... the belief that on the night before Christmas, from some mysterious land, a generous creature known as Santa Claus will come, bringing the presents that will make them glad.

Every year there are many children who waken in the dawn-light, to grope for stockings. Every year there are many children who bury their heads in the blankets and cry softly because, somehow, again this time, the dream is crushed and the stocking is empty.

If everyone who understands that Santa Claus is merely typical of that Christmas spirit which shares with others would accept his part of the responsibility, there would be no Christmas morning heartaches.

There are toys enough in the shops and packed away in our attics to make every limp black stocking fat enough to burst. Tears are so unnecessary on Christmas morning.

When we hear of a specific story about a child, our interest is aroused. But when we read that thousands of children are needing our help, we grow indifferent. The number is too large to be personal, we seem to think.

Yet every one of the thousands is an eager-eyed youngster whose heart misses a beat when he thinks that it is almost time for the night of nights, and whose nose is pressed against the plate-glass windows of the stores as he wonders what he will draw from the pack this year.

To disappoint him would be a tragic thing. It would ruin his trust in the Spirit of Christmas which the benevolent old man represented. He wouldn't trust life so far again.

It is to keep a child's heart filled with dreams and his eyes gay with laughter that we bring the gifts for his stocking.

THE LAME DUCKS

Rodney Dutcher reports from Washington that the famous lame duck amendment will probably be approved by Congress this winter, but that it is not likely to be the Norris amendment that will pass. Instead it will be a sister amendment introduced in the House.

Fortunately, Senator Norris shows himself to be somewhat more broadminded than his colleagues in the lower house. He has announced that he does not care whose amendment is passed; if the House will only pass somebody's lame duck amendment, he will do all he can to get it through the Senate.

This is a statesmanlike attitude. The important thing, as Senator Norris says, is that the lame duck evil be ended. Apparently that boon is at last to be conferred upon us. Let us be thankful.

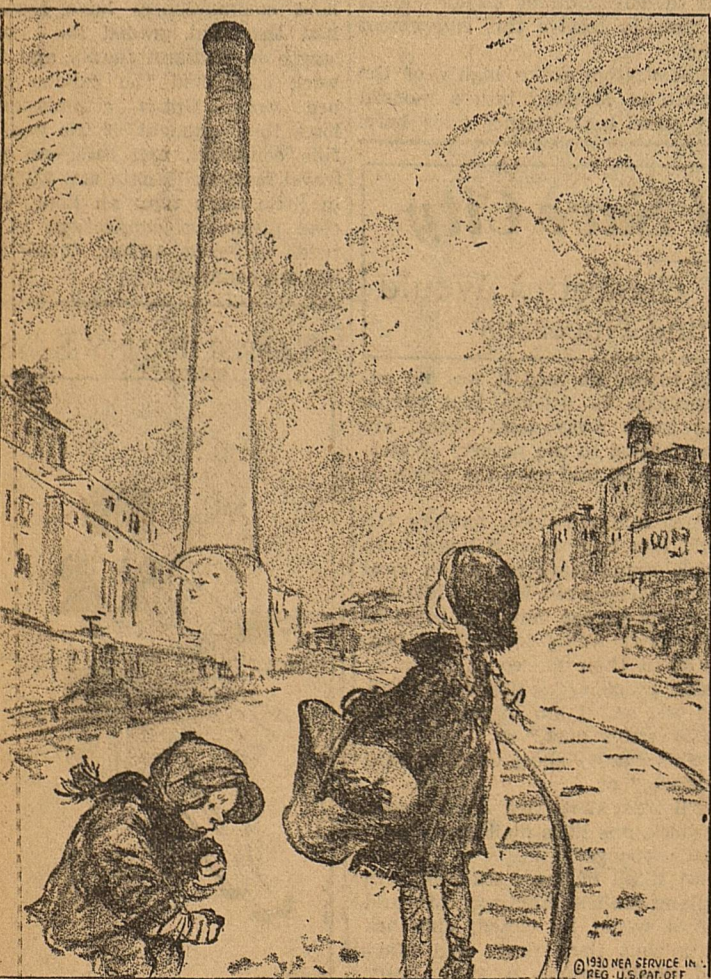
CARBON MONOXIDE

The approach of cold weather calls for a repetition of the warning against carbon monoxide gas.

Already many deaths have occurred when cars were warmed up on cold mornings in closed garages and the poison fumes caused death.

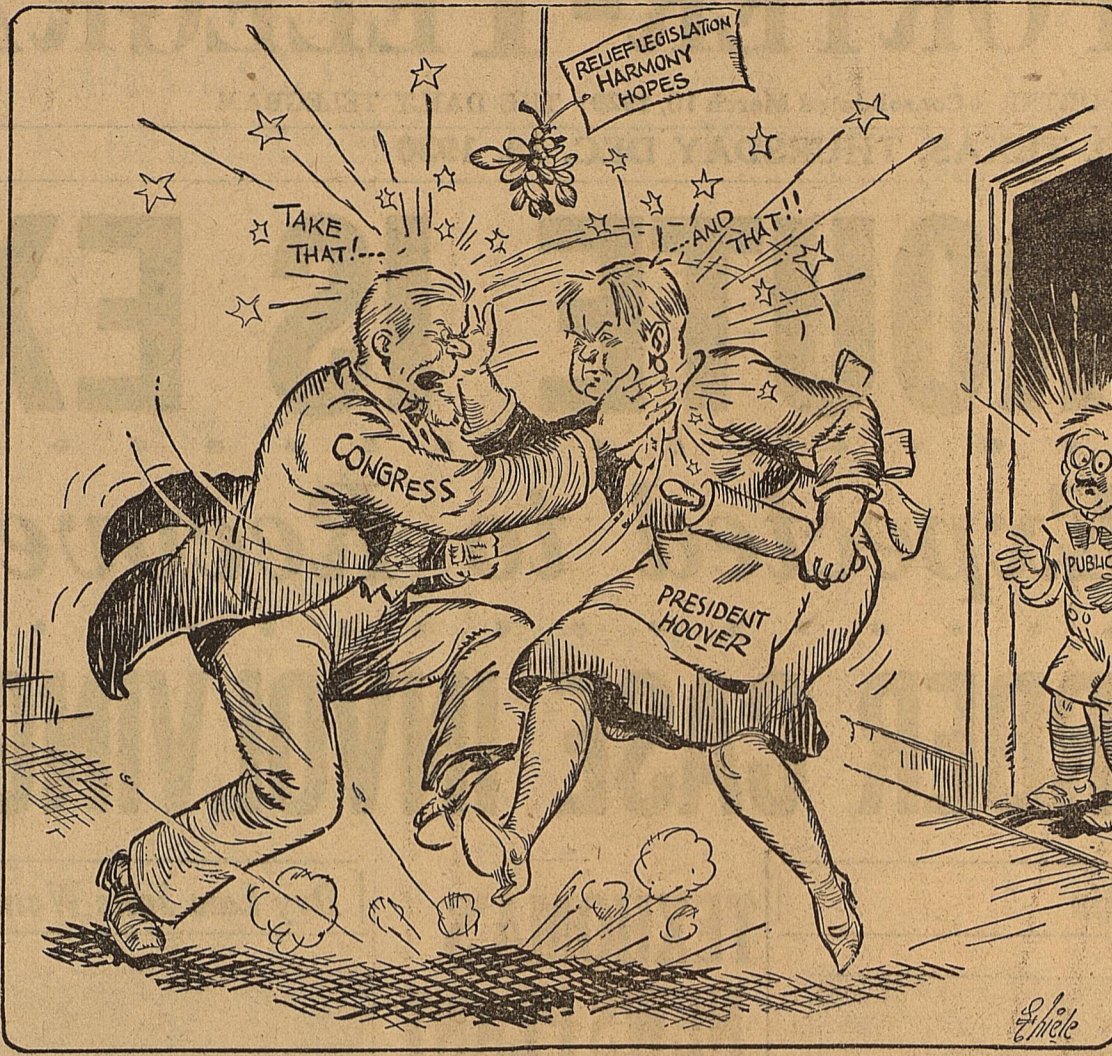
Garage doors should be open when cars are started, and even then the car should be backed out into the open and allowed to do its warming up where the fumes will be more readily dispelled.

Side Glances by Clark



"I'll bet if we could borrow that chimney he'd notice our stockings."

A Few Little "Smacks" Under the Mistletoe!



A Murder Mystery From Real Life Stirs Police

By SHERMAN MONTROSE NEA Service Writer

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—A mystery as weird as any of the baffling plots in the detective thrillers in which she played on the stage during her long career as an actress confronts police investigating the strange murder of Mrs. Rosetta Baker, wealthy 60-year-old widow, clubwoman and former stage star.

A stark drama—a real one, this time—brought an end to her career. She was found strangled to death, a bedsheet twisted tightly around her neck, in a fashionable, Nob Hill apartment building which she owned. She had been badly beaten. Her disordered room bore signs of a furious struggle. Police investigation disclosed that several persons had attended a party in her rooms a few hours before. The party had broken up about midnight.

Aged Chinese Is Accused Then suspicion fastened on Leu Fook, Mrs. Baker's 62-year-old Chinese houseboy. A piece of skin, a shoe heel, gray hairs on a pair of trousers, bloodstained clothing and hidden jewelry were the clues.

Leu Fook said he had found his mistress' body when he arrived early that morning to clean up the apartment. He summoned police and with their investigation circumstantial evidence began to pile up against the aged servant.

First: A piece of skin, evidently torn from a man's hand, was found near the body. Examination showed a torn spot on Fook's finger fitting the recovered bit of skin.

Says Leu Fook: "I cut hand while washing windows day before Missy Baker killed." Examination revealed a broken window in the room.

Second: A section of a shoe heel was found on the floor of the room. The leather section exactly fitted Leu Fook's shoe.

Says Leu Fook: "The heel had been loose for many days. Maybe came off when I cleaning apartment. It's all plot to pin murder on me."

Third: Jewelry valued at \$9,000 and identified as Mrs. Baker's was found in the aged Chinese's rooms. With the jewels were bloodstained clothing and a pair of trousers with gray hair clinging to the knee.

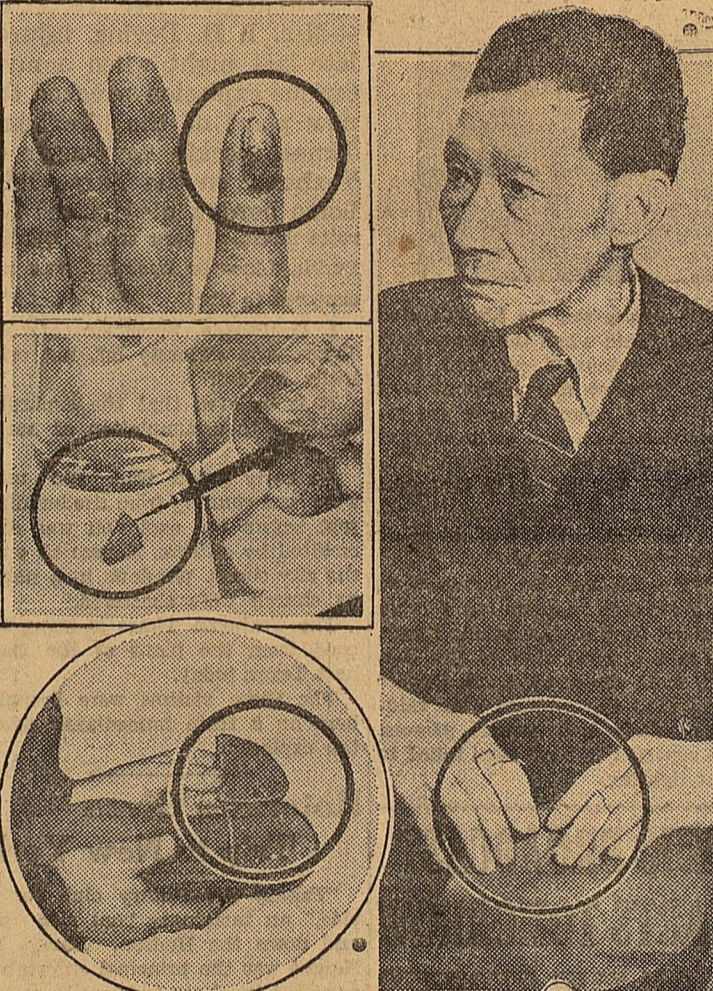
Says Leu Fook: "I don't know how they got there. Why should I kill missy boss? She treated me well. I no need money. I got \$1,300 in bank my own. I no fool; if I killed missy boss and hid jewelry, I put it where they never find it."

Innocent, Says Doctor Despite all this net of circumstantial evidence against Leu Fook, Dr. A. W. Moody, city pathologist, believes he is innocent. Dr. Moody declares that it would have been impossible for the aged and wizened Chinese, weighing only 110 pounds, to have inflicted the terrific blows that battered Mrs. Baker's body. Moreover, he said, the manner in which the victim was strangled indicated that her assailant was a large and powerful man.

Dr. Moody's opinion, coupled with reports that a large and nervous man had taken a taxi a half block from the murder scene on the morning of the killing, spurred police to newer efforts.

Detectives Puzzled Detectives, frankly puzzled, then began to ask:

Why did Leu Fook, if guilty, leave so many clues—such as the shoe heel, the skin from his finger, blood-stained clothing and Mrs. Baker's jewelry—so obviously placed where they could be found readily



HERE ARE THE CLEWS on which Leu Fook, right, is accused of Mrs. Baker's murder. Top, his torn finger; next, the bit of lacerated skin, which exactly fits the tear, that was found near the victim's body; below, the piece of shoe heel found nearby that matches with the damaged heel of Leu Fook's shoes; right, Leu Fook's bandaged fingers which he says he cut while washing windows.

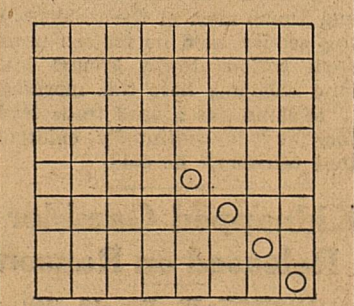
Fearless Four of Movietone Picture

Four comrades—a French officer fleeing from the spectres of the past, a burly German, an aristocratic Russian and a hard-boiled American—none of them a credit to his country—all hiding the bitter memories that drove them into the last refuge, the French Foreign Legion—rebellious of discipline—but loyal to each other, if to no one else—these are the "Renegades."

In the picture of that name, coming to the Ritz theatre, tomorrow, the adventures of this queer quartette and their joint battle with the treacherous woman spy who had betrayed their leader, form the plot on which a strikingly vivid and breathless portrayal of Legion life has been based. Warner Baxter plays the leading role of the ex-officer, with Noah Beery, Gregory Gaye and George Cooper as his companions and Myrna Loy as the woman in the case.

Directed by Victor Fleming, who made "Common Clay," "Renegades" is a picture notable for its realism and swift action. It is an adaptation by Jules Furthman of Andre Armandy's novel, "Les Renegats," and the millions who appreciated the dramatic quality of Fleming's previous offering are said to be eagerly awaiting the initial showing of this Fox movietone.

STICKERS



It is possible to divide the above checker board into four parts, each part to have the same number of squares in it and be the same shape, so that a checker appears in each part. Can you do it?



Daily Washington Letter By Rodney Dutcher

Analysis of Prohibition Referenda After Compilation of Complete Figures Shows Little Change of Sentiment in Illinois Since 1922 While Wets Have Made Big Gains in Massachusetts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—This is an attempt to analyze the results of the three wet-dry referenda held in the November election by Illinois, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The attempt has become possible with the recent compilation of complete figures by the secretary of state of Illinois. Scientific determination of the relative importance of various factors which cause a given election result is impossible—except for partisans. But those referenda, dealing only with the specific issue, presumably are more accurate barometers of popular sentiment than the majorities of wet or dry candidates which obviously were affected by other issues.

Illinois voted on three propositions. It cast 1,054,000 votes for repeal of the 18th amendment and 551,000 against; 968,000 for modification of the Volstead act and 506,000 against; 1,060,000 for repeal of the state enforcement act and 523,000 against.

On the basis of those figures alone it may be suggested that in Illinois there is a district wet-dry cleavage between those who favor repeal and those who want to keep both the federal amendment and the Volstead act intact. There may be 45,000 dries who would favor modification but not repeal, but repeal got 86,000 more votes than modification. On both ends the extremists appear to have been far more numerous than the middle-ground or modification group.

Many Ignored Referenda

You can do whatever you like with the fact that the total Illinois vote was 2,332,000, or 728,000 fewer than the largest total vote on any of the wet-dry propositions. There is always a large group of voters which ignore referenda and vote only on candidates. There must also have been many in Illinois who voted on only one or two of the three wet-dry questions.

Now, compare the 1930 Illinois referendum with those of 1922 and 1926. In 1922 the state voted 1,165,242 for light wines and beer to 512,111 against. In 1926 there was a vote of 840,000 in favor of permitting states to fix legal alcoholic content of beverages and 556,000 against.

Thus, in five votes, dry strength has ranged between 506,000 and 556,000 and wet strength between 1,054,000—assuming the 1930 repeal vote to be more indicative than the 1930 modification vote—and 1,165,000. But whereas the vote against 18th amendment repeal this year was virtually as large as the high dry vote of 1926, the largest wet vote in 1930 was 100,000 less than the wet vote of 1922. And the anti-light wines and beer vote of 1922 was not appreciably smaller than the anti-modification vote of 1930.

Shows Little Change

Whatever these comparisons prove, if anything, they do not appear to indicate any tremendous growth of wet sentiment or any great weakening of dry sentiment. There seems more nourishment in the idea that wet voters were more willing to vote for wet candidates regardless of party lines, for wet Democratic Senator-elect Lewis defeated moist Republican Mrs. McState voted for that act by 454,000, to 700,000 while the independent dry candidate had less than 200,000. Although Illinois had voted wet before she had always been glad to elect dry Republicans.

Comparison is easier in the Massachusetts vote to repeal the "Baby Volstead" state enforcement act—642,000 to 367,000. In 1924 the Bay State voted for that act by 474,000 to 446,000, so a very important change of sentiment in the six-year period appears to have been signified. The dry vote fell off by 87,000 and the wet vote gained nearly 200,000.

Largest Vote in 1928 Massachusetts had voted 427,000 to 323,000 against putting the 18th amendment into effect there in 1922 and in 1928 cast her largest wet-dry vote—707,000 asking state senators to call on Congress to repeal the 18th amendment and 422,000 against, with 310,000 voters casting no ballot on the question.

Wet Democratic Senator-elect Marcus Coolidge beat the dry Re-

The Town Quack

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

A poem contest Hankins starts, He'd be the one to do it, To me a secret he imparts, I'm sure nobody knew it.

The idea wasn't new with him. He'd seen it tried before; Local poems he would trim But it makes authors sore. He got in touch with Arkansas, The famous printers devil, They got six bucks within the law; The contest's on the level.

I'll tackle the job, the Town Quack said, Not that I hope to win first, But I may win a dollar a head On poems pronounced the worst.

publican Butler in Massachusetts this year by about 670,000 to 550,000. The total wet vote was almost as large as the Coolidge vote, but the Butler vote was far ahead of the dry vote, with the referendum vote somewhere around 200,000 less than the senatorial vote.

Rhode Island voted 172,000 to 48,000 against retention of the 18th amendment—about 7 to 2 wet, compared with 2 to 1 in Illinois and rather less than 2 to 1 in Massachusetts. It was Rhode Island's first referendum and both her senatorial candidates were wet.

EDISON HONORED BERLIN, (UP).—It is reported from Hamburg that Thomas A. Edison has accepted the honorary membership offered him by the German "Erfinderhaus," an association of inventors.

The poem contest calls for banter. I assure you I'm a real friend. I had a laugh at Eddie Cantor Singing about his heel friend.

A Midland legger had some corn And placed it in a dug-out. A truck drove up on Tuesday morn.

The driver caught the thug out; He drank a sample of the brew, The worst there was on earth. Hauled it away, of course he knew "Nine hundred dollars worth."

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INDIAN MOUND FOUND

SYDNEY, N. Y. (UP).—What is believed to be an ancient Indian mound was unearthed here while bridge builders were excavating for a new span here. Thousands of arrow heads, flint implements, pottery and other Indian relics were found.

SOCIAL NEWS PAGE FOR WOMEN

Luncheon and Christmas Tree of Interest to Mid Week Members at the Cragin Home Wednesday Afternoon

Highest interest of the week preceding the official holiday week is centered around merry club parties that are reflecting the real Yuletide spirit.

One o'clock lunch was served at the Cragin home at a beautifully decorated table with a center of crimson carnations and tall red tapers.

Local Housewives' Choice Recipes

If you are looking for a particularly rich and delicious cake to have on hand during the holiday season, potato caramel cake will prove satisfactory.

If, on the other hand, you want an inexpensive cake that is not rich with butter and eggs but is nevertheless fruity and delectable, apple sauce cake will meet your needs.

Potato Caramel Cake
Four eggs, 2 cups light brown sugar, 2-3 cup butter, 2 cups flour, 1-2 cup sweet milk, 1 cup hot mashed potatoes, 1 cup grated chocolate, 1 cup nut meats, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 2 teaspoons cinnamon, 1 teaspoon cloves, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1-4 teaspoon salt.

Apple Sauce Cake
One and one-half cups apple sauce, 1 cup granulated sugar, 1-2 cup butter and lard mixed, 2 cups seedless raisins, 3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons soda, 1 cup nut meats, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1-4 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon cloves, 1-2 teaspoon nutmeg.

After lunch, guests assembled in the living room, which was handsomely decorated with red flowers, huge Christmas bells and holly.
Girl Dances
Lexey Jane Cragin, frocked in a red tulle costume, represented "Spirit of Christmas" and danced to the music of lively tunes.

Darleen Vance Observes Birthday With Theatre Party

A theatre party, honoring Darleen Vance on her birthday, was given by her mother, Mrs. J. O. Vance on the afternoon of December 15.

After a delightful movie, guests were served ice cream, cakes and candies. A prize package also was given to each friend who honored Darleen on her anniversary.

Announcements

Thursday
Bridge party at the country club house for members and guests at 8 o'clock.

Mid Alpha Delphian chapter meets at the home of Mrs. E. W. Cowden at 3 o'clock.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority members will meet at the home of Miss Virginia Carter at 7:30.

Friday
The Martha-Fidelis class of the First Baptist church will have a Christmas tree party at the home of Mrs. C. B. Ligon at 7:30.

Children of the Presbyterian church will meet for practice at the church at 2 o'clock.

The Belmont Bible class meets at the home of Mrs. C. E. Nolan at 3 o'clock.

Saturday
Children of the Presbyterian church will meet for practice at the church at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, Dec. 22
Women's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church will hold at food sale at the White House.

Children of the Presbyterian church will meet for practice at the church at 2 o'clock.

Southland Greyhound Lines, Inc. Daily Schedules
East Bound 10:55 A. M., 1:55 P. M., 6:40 P. M.
West Bound 10:50 A. M., 2:40 P. M., 6:35 P. M.
The schedule to Fort Worth and East—1:10 A. M.
The schedule to El Paso and West—3:35 A. M.
Connections west to El Paso and Los Angeles, East to Fort Worth, Dallas, North out to Carlsbad, Carlsbad Caverns, Roswell and Denver.

Here Are Glamorous New Creations for Yuletide Dances



Romantic and glamorous as the Yuletide parties themselves are the gowns designed for lovely ladies to dance in. The devastating blonde may choose an arrestingly lovely lace creation, (left) from Jenny, pink with a touch of mauve to it, and some of Alexandrine's new gloves with lacy cuffs of a soft suede in a shade of pink just a little more delicate than the gown.

STUDENTS ARE HOMEWARD BOUND

Almost Fifty Students Will Spend Christmas Holidays in Midland

Home for the holidays! Not a more pleasing statement can a student, who has spent the past few months attending college or university, make just before time to entrain for the home town.

With the first students arriving tomorrow, Midland will be crowded with young folk for the next ten days. Social affairs will honor them, family reunions will be held on Christmas day and just a few quiet days at home with the folks will sound good to any of them.

Probably the first to arrive, will be the New Mexico Military Institute boys, who will be in Midland early Friday morning. These boys include Robert Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Caldwell, C. W. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards; Wade Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Stevens; Conrad Crabb, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Crabb and Winston Elkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Elkin.

Miss Tommie Smith, daughter of Mrs. Frank Smith Sr., was expected to arrive Wednesday night from Abilene where she is a student in Simmons university.

Miss Imogene Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cox, and Miss Evelyn Garlington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Garlington, will arrive Friday from Lubbock where they are freshmen in Texas Tech.

Sunday will bring a large group of boys from A. & M. who are making the trip by automobile. Those coming are Wright Cowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Cowden; Wilton Orson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orson; Whitel and Harwell Whitmore, sons of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Whitmore. On the same morning, Thomas Lee and John M. Speed, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Speed, will return from College Station by train.

Friday evening Misses Walter Faye Cowden and Margaret Francis will arrive to spend a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cowden, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Francis, respectively. They are students in Ward-Belmont college in Nashville, Tenn., this year.

Students of North And South Wards in Pageant Tonight

For the second time this week, Midland people will hear one of the annual pageants staged by schools of the city in the high school auditorium tonight at 7:30.

Students of both the north and south wards will participate in the original sketch taken from the Christ Story by Mrs. Iris Bounds and Miss Jane Trawek, who also directed the play.

The complete program follows:
Part I
Processional — "Come, All Ye Faithful."
Reading—North and South Wards.
Part II
Pageant
Traditional Birth of Christ—Bible Characters: (North Ward)
Readings, No. 1 Wayne Lanham, No. 2 Billy Noble; Mary, Cleo Tidwell; Joseph, Goodrich Hej; shepherds, Norman Slaughter; Jesse Miles, Frank Herrington Jr.; wise men, James Young, Wallace Hiett, Bobby Walker; angels, group 1, Twelve North Ward Girls, group 2, Twelve South Ward Girls.
Choir (South Ward), Third and Fourth Grades.
Episode I, Birth of Christ.
Reading — Luke II, 1-6, Bible, Wayne Lanham.
Song—"Oh Little Town of Bethlehem", Redner, Choir.
Reading—Luke II, 7, Bible, Billy Noble.
Song — "Luther's Cradle Hymn" Herbert, Choir.
Episode II, Adoration of Shepherds:
Reading—Luke II, 8, Wayne Lanham.
Song — "While Shepherds Watch Their Flock," Choir.
Reading—Luke II, 9, Billy Noble.
Song—"The First Noel," Choir.
Reading—Luke II, 10-11, Wayne Lanham.

Birthdays in Midland

In Midland the following are celebrating their birthdays. Send them a greeting by mail, wire, phone or visit them, it will brighten their anniversary.

TOMORROW John M. Cowden

C. E. Boggs and W. B. Walsh of Tyler were business visitors in Midland Wednesday.

J. L. Tallant has gone to Dallas for a few days business visit.

Harry Swarford and E. H. Ailes of the West Texas Construction company have returned to their homes in Ft. Worth after spending a few days here on business.

J. P. Haynes has returned to Pecos after a short business trip to Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holmsley are leaving Sunday for Comanche where they will spend the holidays with her mother who has been seriously ill.

Song—"Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Choir.
Reading—Luke II, 12-14, Billy Noble.

Song—"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," Choir.
Reading—Luke II, 15-18, Wayne Lanham.

Song—"Joy to the World," Choir.
Episode III — Adoration of Wise Men:
Reading — Matthew II, 1-2; 7-11, Billy Noble.

Vocal duet—"Star of the East," Mrs. Jack Hawkins, Mrs. Van Camp.
Song—"We Three Kings of Orient Are," Choir.

Finale—"Silent Night," Choir.

Sally Joe Carlock of Lubbock is spending the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ing-hma.

Mrs. J. B. Wallace of Austin will arrive in Midland Saturday to spend the holiday season with her daughter, Mrs. John P. Butler.

Barron Kidd, who is located in Midland with the Fuhrman Oil company, has gone to New York where, he will be for about three weeks on business.



This can be the happiest Christmas of your life... if you resolve to smile your prettiest smile... and wear your smartest frocks... at their smartest and freshest... after a thorough Service Cleaners dry cleaning.

Service Cleaners Phone 85 "Good as Any—Better Than Many"

Advance Spring Dresses

Advertisement for Advance Spring Dresses featuring several models in various styles of dresses. Prices are listed as \$9.85 and \$16.75. The text describes the dresses as 'Two Moderate Price Groups Embracing Every High Fashion' and lists 'Wilson-Adams Co. Midland' as the retailer. It also mentions 'Models for misses and youthful matrons in many versions of peplums, tiers, low placed flares and two or four-fold pleated styles.'

ZERBST'S CAPSULES The Quick Relief for COLDS At Any Drug Store 25¢/50¢

THREE UNDEFEATED CAGE TEAMS PLAY IN GYMNASIUM TONIGHT

CLAYTON-CARAWAY DUEL SHOULD BE INTERESTING

California vs. Clinic Southern Ice vs. Reporter-Telegram

The above listed basketball games are slated to be played tonight in the Scharbauer gym on the schedule of the Industrial league. The first game begins at 7:30.

Interest in the games is more pronounced due to the fact that three of the four teams playing still maintain perfect percentages. Only two of these can survive.

The California-Clinic game is certain to be the most interesting, for Clayton, seven-foot man of the Clinic has been staging a lively scoring duel with Caraway of California, throughout the season and tonight will see which flash can keep his team on top.

The Reporter-Telegram, which with the Clinic and California company is on top of the league, should be able to squeeze a win out of the Southern Ice crew. An upset might dog the heels of the newsboys, who have never got together for a practice. It is known the Southern Ice crew has made more improvement during the season than any other club.

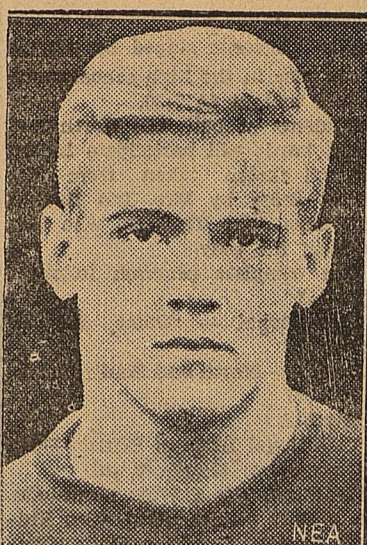
Blanket admission to the two games is 25 cents.

These Figures Take Parts in Sport News of the Day; All Are Stars



LUD WRAY

They soured on Lud Wray, grid-coach at Pennsylvania . . . because his eleven dropped four of its six major games . . . and because some of the boys claimed Lud was too tough on them . . . now the former Penn star has been dethroned . . . though his coaching contract has two more years to go . . . One Quaker star offered to bet there wouldn't be three veterans reporting for practice next fall . . . if Wray continued as head man . . . Those players who criticized him said they were overworked regularly, starting with September training camp activities . . . Penn's football committee voted "full responsibility and authority of leadership" to the captain-elect . . . who is Paul Riblett, a very good end.



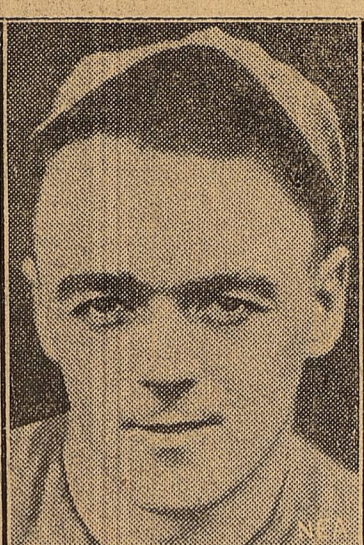
BEN TICKNOR

A powerful, hard-hitting fullback was Ben Ticknor, Harvard freshman . . . Then "Eskie" Clark, assistant coach, got hold of him . . . Now for two years Big Ben has been All-American center . . . Ticknor will coach at Harvard next season . . . working either with the freshmen or with the varsity centers . . . Eddie Casey will be head man . . . Indications are that Ticknor will return to one of Harvard's graduate schools next fall . . . so he'll be studying along with his coaching . . . Few knew it, but Ticknor had no instruction on how to play his position in the 1930 season . . . "Eskie" was too busy with assistant athletic director's duties . . . and besides, Ticknor knew what it was all about, anyhow.



BARRY WOOD

With most of the gridiron big shots turning to basketball . . . of the business of studying for that degree . . . Harvard's Barry Wood is concentrating his nimble brain and agile body on hockey . . . a very exacting pastime, so it appears from the sidelines . . . Wood will perform at center on the Crimson sextet this winter . . . "Tis said he skates swiftly . . . and that he is a deft stick-handler with either hand . . . Mr. Wood is a junior . . . and by the time draws his sheepskin, will have won nine major H's . . . A new Harvard record . . . George Owen won eight in football, hockey and baseball . . . Wood's will be in the same sports . . . Barry recently was elected captain of Harvard's 1931 eleven.



WILLIE KAMM

It is entirely possible that Willie Kamm will play third base for the Cleveland Indians in 1931 . . . instead of guarding Chicago's hot corner . . . Kamm's case parallels that of Kiki Cuyler . . . who disagreed with Donie Bush at Pittsburgh . . . and was chastised, then transferred to the Cubs . . . Kamm chafed under Bush handling last season . . . and now he's sure to leave the White Sox . . . He came up from the coast loop in 1923 . . . costing Owner Comiskey approximately \$100,000 in cash and players . . . Kamm played once since joining them . . . Plenty of clubs could use Willie . . . namely Cleveland, New York, St. Louis and Boston.

NEW RULE FINDS FAVOR IN THE EAST, NORTH

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 18. (AP)—Unless Southern Methodist university and Rice Institute object, the Southwestern conference will have none of the Dickinson football rating system.

Only the Mustangs and the Owls would have gained had the past conference season been scored according to the method of Prof. Frank G. Dickinson of the University of Illinois which has gained favor among members of the Big Ten and eastern schools.

Notre Dame was acknowledged as the greatest team in the country and the Dickinson system proved it conclusively, awarding the Rockne-man the Jack F. Rissman National Intercollegiate Football trophy for the third year and its permanent possession.

Southern Methodist would have been given a clear title to fourth place in the circuit, instead of a tie with Arkansas, according to the "won and lost" scheme and Rice, instead of ending in sixth place, far behind Arkansas, would have pulled up to within a fraction of a point of the Razorbacks.

Texas, of course, headed the list, the Dickinson scoring shows, closely followed by Baylor and Texas Christian.

"No attempt is made to consider the size of the scores, the number of first downs, the weather, the part of the season, or the effect of long trips and climatic conditions," Prof. Dickinson says. "Only one thing is counted—a defeat or a tie. If we considered any other factor, we would be dealing with partisan post-mortems."

The fundamental principle is to give more weight to victories over strong first division teams than over weaker teams. And it was because of Rice's early 6-0 victory over the Longhorns that put Jack Meagher's team right on the heels of Arkansas, despite two Rice wins

and four losses, against the Razorbacks' two and two.

Where Southern Methodist benefited was by tying Baylor, a "first division team." Baylor was one of the three teams which ended the season with more game won than lost and merited the first division rating. The Dickinson point system gave S. M. U. 20 points for tying Baylor and gave the Bears only 15.

The Dickinson method would have placed the teams in the following order at the end of the season:

Team	Points
Texas	22
Baylor	20
T. C. U.	18 1-3
S. M. U.	16
Arkansas	15
Rice	15
A. & M.	10

Although Rice and Arkansas were tied in total points, the fact that the Razorbacks won over the Owls put them ahead. The 7-6 score meant nothing—it could have been 40-0 and the standings would have been the same.

These points help determine the standings: For each victory of a first division team over a first division team, the winner gets 30 points and the loser 15.

For each victory of a first division team over a second division team, the winner gets 20 points and the loser 10.

For each victory of a second division team over a first division team, the winner gets 30 points and the loser 10.

For each victory of a second division team over a second division team the winner gets 20 points and the loser 10.

For each tie between a first division team and a second division team, the first division team gets 15 points and the second division team 20 points.

MOVIE JOBS BANNED

PARIS. (UP)—The time-honored Comedie-Francaise, the stronghold of French dramatic tradition, has gone on the warpath against the invention of the talking motion pictures. In the new contracts submitted to candidates to the theater, the actors and actresses are forbidden to appear in talking films.

Personals

Mrs. Willis Blackburn of Corpus Christi will arrive tomorrow to spend a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Whitmire. She was Miss Lenora Whitmire before her marriage last summer.

O. L. Kittrell and N. G. Jensty have returned to Ft. Worth after a few days in Midland.

George McNeely left yesterday for Dallas after spending the first days of the week in Midland.

R. V. Oberaltzer, San Angelo resident, is transacting business in Midland today.

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Personals

The Rev. Father J. A. Sirois of Stanton was in Midland today.

G. E. Crays left today for Ft. Worth where he will transact business for a few days. He is employed by the Gulf Production company here.

Claude Duffey was in Crane county Wednesday looking after his oil interests.

Hubert Cole of Amarillo is a business visitor in Midland today.

Dr. Tanner of Amarillo came to Midland Wednesday for a short business visit.

Ed Vickers of El Paso is a business visitor in Midland today.

Fred Fuhrman, Midland oil man, is in Ft. Worth for a few days transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sherman and daughter, Mary, have returned to Abilene after spending Tuesday night in Midland.

Donald Hillis, geologist for the Roberts Oil company, has gone to California where he will remain until the first of the year.

J. L. Tinnin of Midland made a business trip to Odessa Wednesday.

W. W. Stewart of Midland went to Crane City Wednesday on business.

Major H. McClure has returned to his home in Ft. Worth after a business visit in Midland.

W. F. Hannagan has returned to Roswell after transacting business for the Empire Gas & Fuel company in Midland.

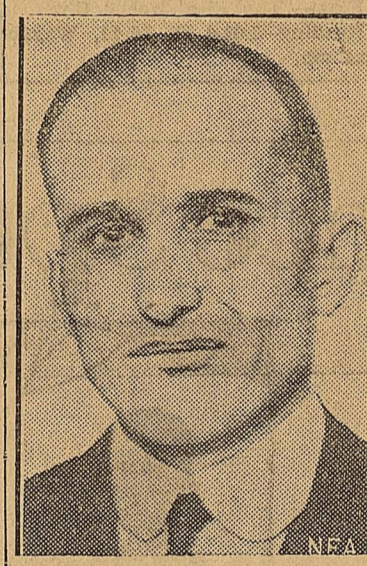
America Not a Bookish Place

America is not a book-minded people, says Lewis Gannett in the first of a series of articles on books recently published in the New York Herald Tribune. "We buy one book a year per capita."

"Americans smoke more cigarettes, attend more theatres, ride in more motor cars, listen through more receiving sets to more broadcasting stations, and play more midget golf than any other people in the world, but Americans do not read more books," states Mr. Gannett.

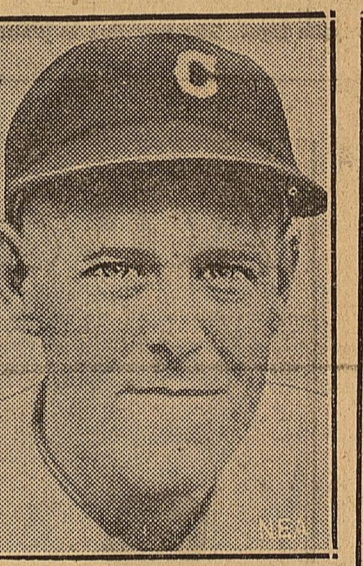
"Our publishers last year issued 8,342 new books, and new editions of 1,845 more. That seems like a bewildering lot. But the British put out 9,400 new titles and 3,739 new editions, and the Germans 22,952 new books and 4,853 new editions." Mr. Gannett points out that figures available are not entirely comparable. For instance, the French and often the Germans do not bind their books and pamphlets in certain countries. "Moreover," says Mr. Gannett, "the inference usually drawn from such figures, that Americans do not read as much as Europeans, is vitiated by the enormous development of the American public library system, and of the newspaper and magazine business in America."

Although such statistics are admittedly not conclusive, Mr. Gannett quotes sales figures on a re-



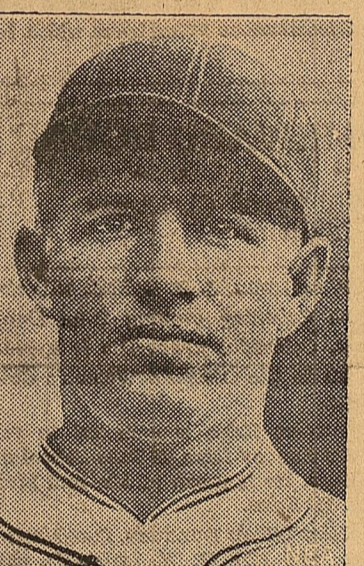
GLEN THISTLETHWAITE

A strike isn't likely . . . nevertheless, 10 Wisconsin sophomore football players have threatened as much if Glen Thistlethwaite is removed as head coach . . . One little miscue may be blamed for it all . . . If Wisconsin had made the point-after-touchdown to tie Purdue, it all could have been avoided . . . Instead of finishing the Big Ten race in a tie for fourth, the Badgers would have been closer to the leaders . . . Wisconsin teams have won 21 . . . lost 12 . . . and tied two games in four seasons under Gloomy Glen . . . not such a bad record in a conference as tough as the Big Ten . . . His 1928 eleven lost the championship in the final game, a defeat by Minnesota putting them behind Illinois for the title.



LEW FONSECA

A choice piece of bait Cleveland is dangling before American League clubs is Lew Fonseca . . . league batting champ in 1929 . . . Sickness and injury permitted the Portuguese to play only 28 games in 1930 . . . but he should be worth plenty to a club needing a slugging first baseman . . . Fonseca has played 11 years of baseball . . . nine of them in the majors, both National and American . . . He moved from Frisco to Cincinnati . . . to Philadelphia . . . to Newark . . . to Cleveland . . . Fonseca is the bait with which the Indians hope to lure Kamm away from the Chisox . . . but Manager Peckinpaugh of the Tribe counts him as a decoration . . . now that Eddie Morgan has become a star infielder.



ART SHIRES

Milwaukee . . . a town once famous for several things . . . most of them foamy . . . gets Charles Arthur (The Great) Shires . . . organized baseball's most effervescent character . . . Washington needed a first baseman last summer to assist venerable Joe Judge . . . so they gave Braxton and Tate to the Chisox for Shires . . . With the purchase of Joey Kuhel later in the summer, Shires became a Senator decoration . . . Waivers asked in the Great One failed to disclose any interested parties . . . Shires should do well by Marty Berghammer, Brewer manager . . . now that he has a wife to spur him to greater achievements . . . and someone to keep him off the streets of evenings.

cent best seller showing how America's reading compared with that of other nations. One in every 205 persons in America has bought this particular book. Foreign figures show in England one in every 132 persons bought the book, in France one in every ninety-three, in Scandinavia one in every eighty-eight, and in Germany one in every sixty-two.

"There are 200 American publishers who issued at least five books each last year, but not half a dozen among them pay much direct attention to the drug stores," states Mr. Gannett. "To the solid bulwark of the publishing business the old fashioned bookstore is still the main outlet," he adds.

Abilene Public Work Would Aid Jobless

ABILENE, Texas, (AP)—The city commission here, at the urgent suggestion of Mayor Thomas E. Hayden, Jr., has under consideration the calling of a \$1,000,000 bond election for public improvement projects that include the 25-billion gallon Phantom Hill water reservoir, long a topic of conversation in official circles.

In addition to the water project that would cost between \$700,000 and \$1,000,000, the mayor would include in the issue construction of \$300,000 worth of utility lines, divided \$150,000 for storm sewers, \$50,000 for extension of water mains, and \$100,000 for improvement of public parks in the city.

The mayor, who offered the projects now as an aid to the unemployment situation, would include in the contracts a provision that local labor must be used wherever possible.

GAS MANTLE MACHINES. LONDON. (UP)—Slot machines for gas mantles are being installed for flat owners in the southern part of the city.

A FEW SPECIALS

Christmas Gifts

we suggest as serviceable

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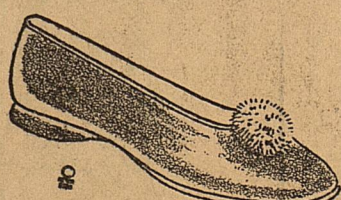
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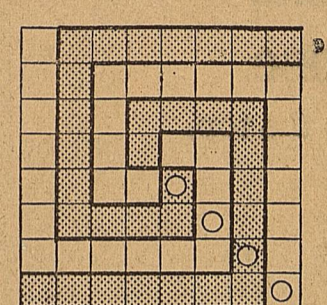
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Stickler Solution



The above sketch shows how the checker board can be divided into four parts of the same size and shape, so that each part contains a checker. Two parts are shaded to make it clear to the eye.

PROHIBITION BLAMED

LONDON. (UP).—Lady Astor in a speech said the reason she was grossly misrepresented was that she supported temperance and education, both unpopular.



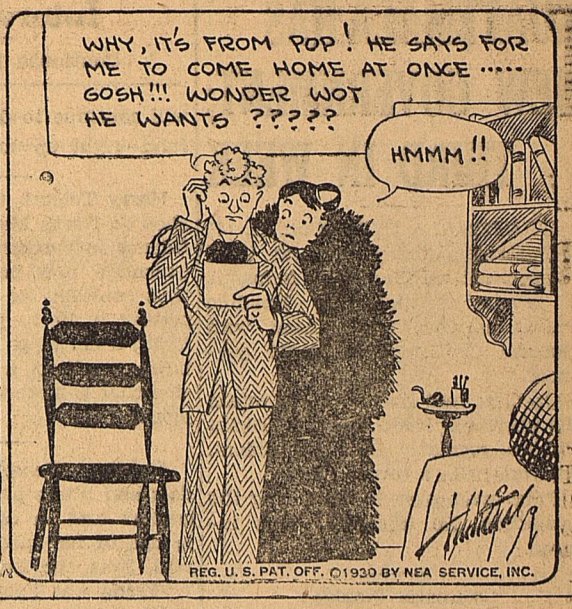
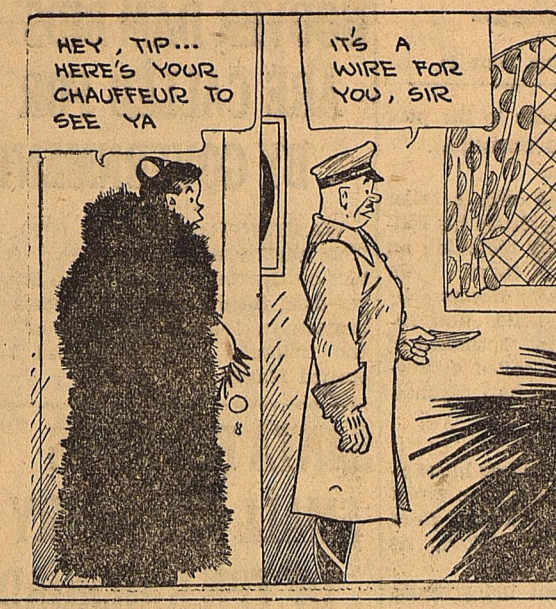
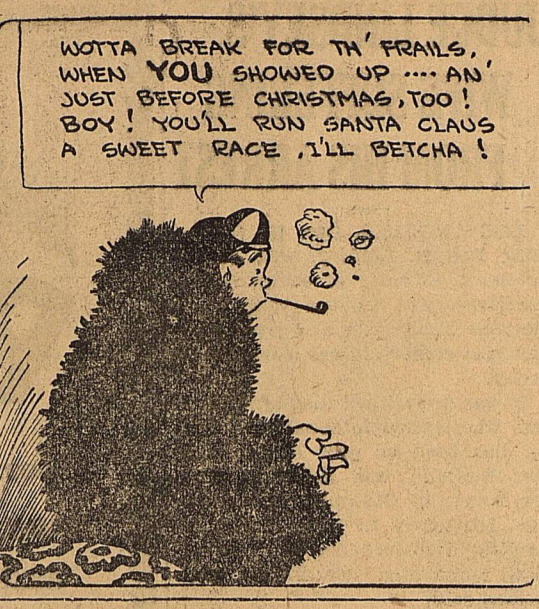
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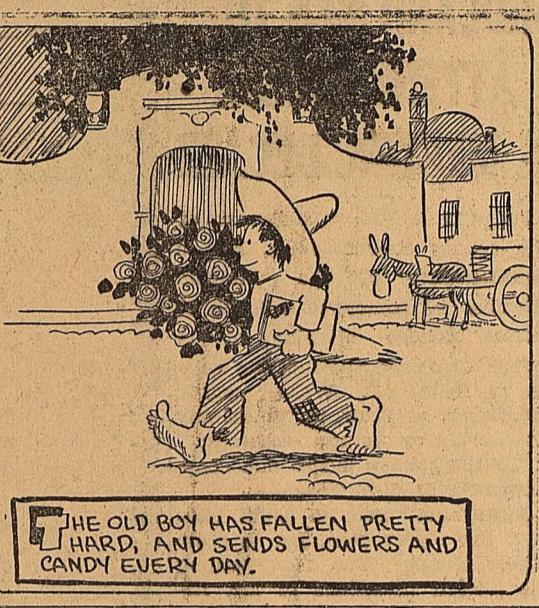
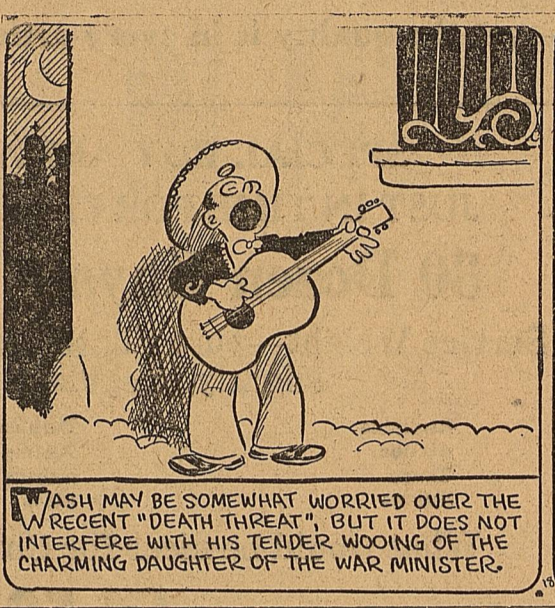
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Home, Sweet Home

By Martin

WASH TUBBS



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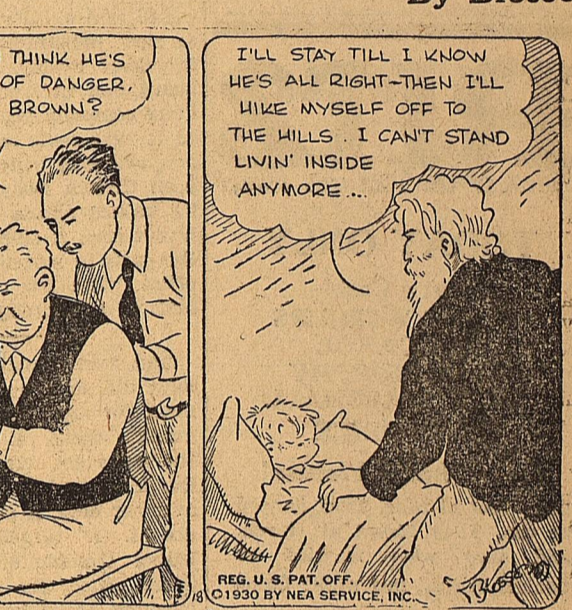
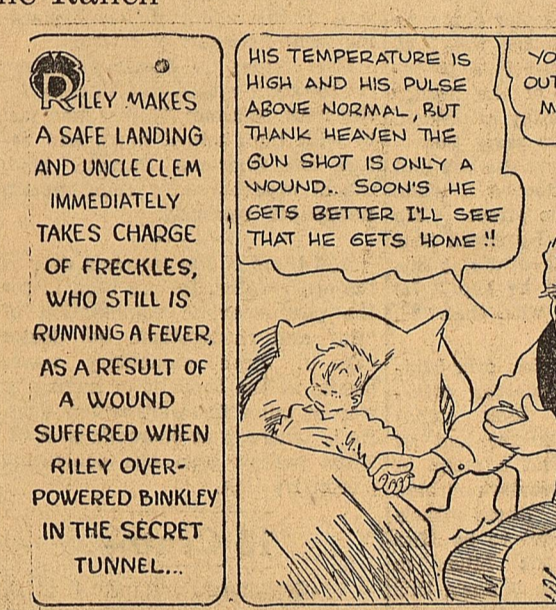
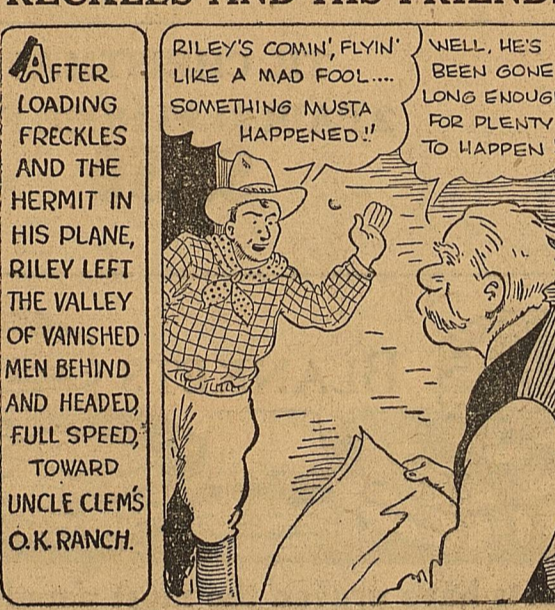
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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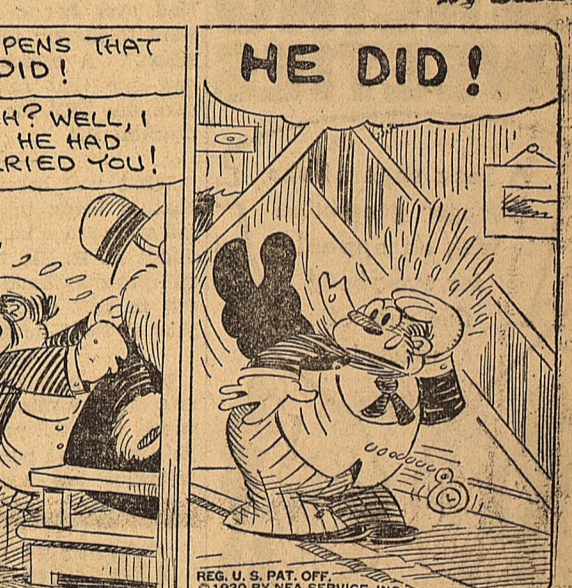
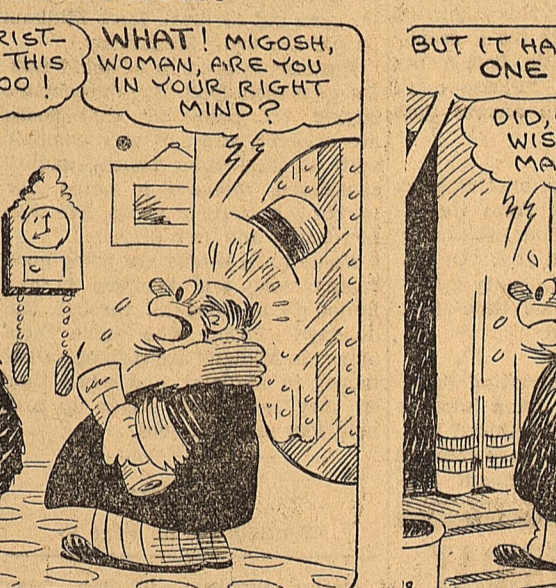
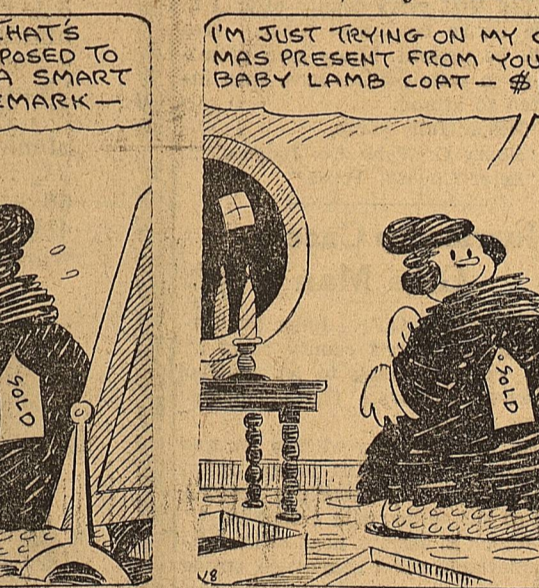
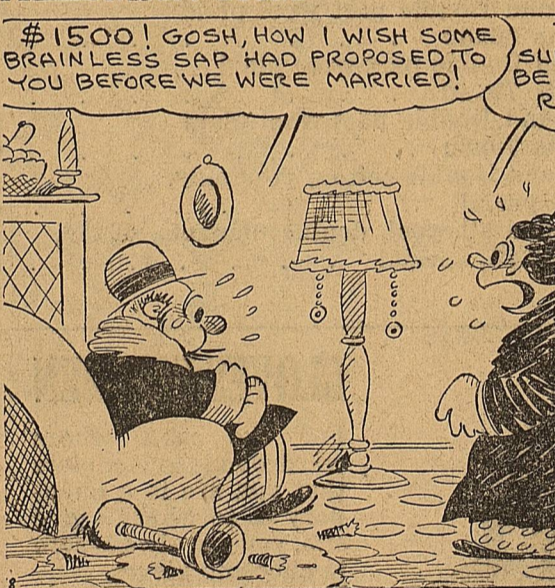
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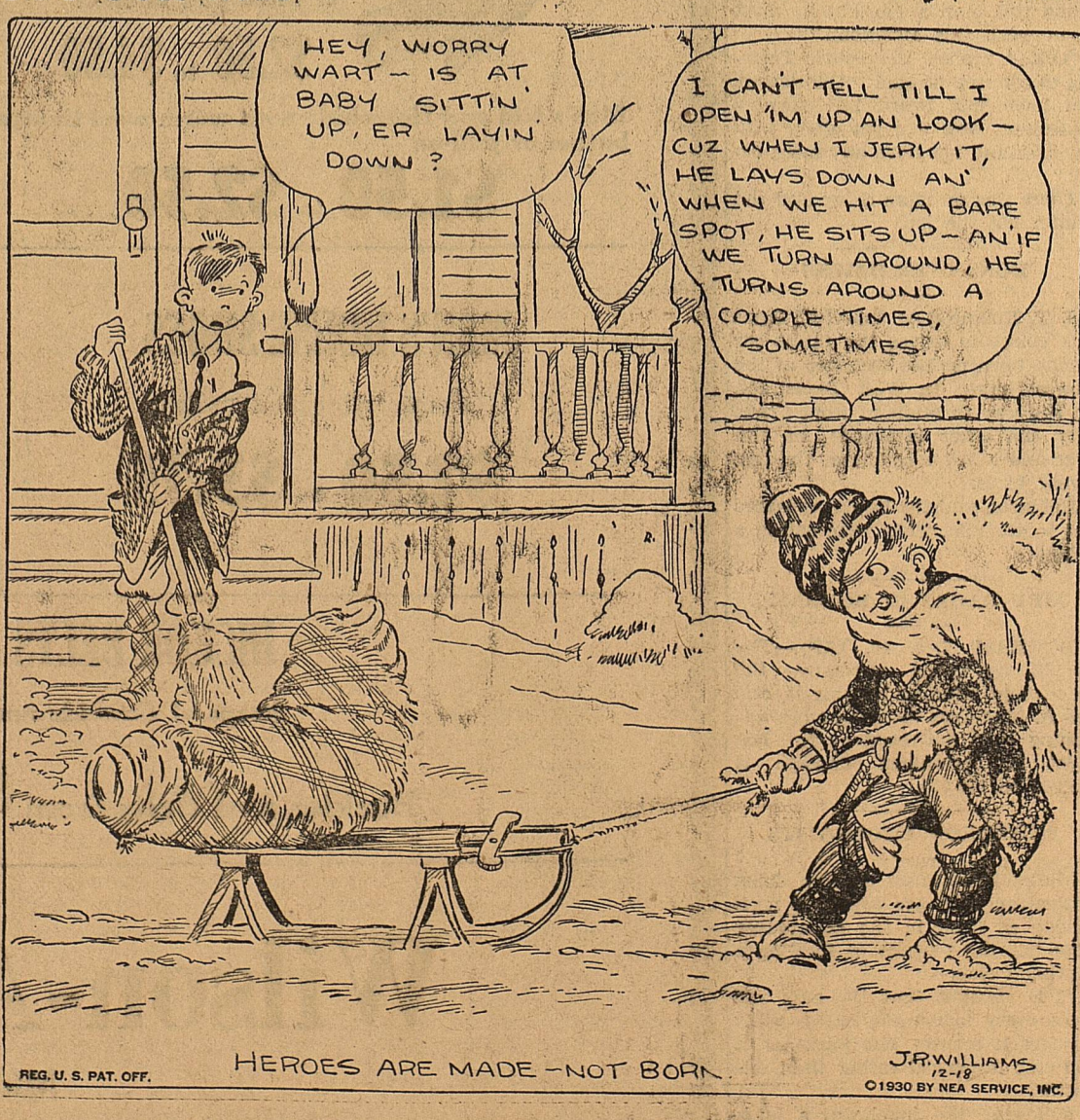
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GUATEMALA HAS NEW GOVERNMENT; THIRD IN WEEK

GUATEMALA CITY, Dec. 18. (AP)—Guatemala today had its third government within a week following a revolution displacing Baudilio Palma as government head with General Orellana provisional governor.

Orellana said that he would retain the place only until General Lazara Chacon, regularly elected president, recovers from a severe illness.

Fifty-seven were killed during the revolution. No foreigners were injured.

Chinese Trouble

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18. (AP)—Nationalist government aviators reported that in a 24-hour period ending at 11 o'clock tonight, 500 communists were killed by airplane bombs dropped over the red infested district in the Hunan province.

Dropping Charges In Hidalgo Probe

HOUSTON, Dec. 18. (UP)—Defense testimony continued today in the trial of six prominent Hidalgo county citizens for conspiracy to deprive voters of their franchise rights in the 1928 election.

Dismissal of at least two of six defendants seemed certain as Prosecutor Fred Horowitz moved for the dismissal of charges against Cam E. Hill, county clerk, and Edmund P. Williams, elected clerk at the Weslaco box just as arguments to dismiss the charges against all defendants started.

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will continue to donate to the poor fund—right up until Christmas.

Harry Tolbert, who owns a tailor shop on North Main, shows his confidence in business by installing an expensive new boiler today. He thus provides for more business by getting a 10 h. p. boiler and retiring a six h. p. unit. Optimism in business offsets a so-called depression that is more than half psychological.

And Fred Wemple latches his sandals and utters prophecies on street corners and in coffee shops. Here is one of his speeches, taken, he said, from the Dallas News:

"Trade was buoyant today. Sales to the country and city were as large as yesterday. Merchants have all they can do, and wholesale clerks are now worked until midnight clearing off the orders received during the day. A large amount of sales are for cash. With streets crowded with vehicles and people, everybody in a rush, money flying through the air, the situation is a cheerful one."

Explanation for the "Three Little Words" heard over the telephone yesterday when a staff writer was ringing the home of the Rev. George E. Brown came from Ted Hudson, radio expert in charge of Christmas broadcasts here over the holidays. "We were rigged up with an amplifier so near the minister's house that you couldn't help but hear our music when talking with him," Ted said. "I make this explanation simply to allay the suspicion that the minister likes jazz. He may even contemplate writing the Federal Radio commission and asking that we get off his wave length."

Ted said a little matter came up to slow preparations for the first broadcast Friday. He left a pasteboard box in front of the Taylor Drug company yesterday afternoon. It was some radio parts. Someone, evidently believing the box had been thrown away, moved it while he walked across the street. He hasn't seen it since. He asked that the parts be returned to him at this office. "The box can be kept," he said. "I am through with that."

And, sure enough, girls over Midland did look up yesterday afternoon for signs over their stenographic desks. A joker had let the news get out that a steno of the town had a "speculation" sign over her desk. A girl "whose initials are M. G." turned out to be Miss Mabel Gamble of the Mims & Crane office. The sign is down this morning. But jokers took up the idea of planting other signs. One steno looked up in the afternoon to find over her desk this sign: "I want to marry; make me a proposition." A mercantile bookkeeper saw one that said: "Please don't take my 'NO' for an answer—just discount it."

What will become of the brick that is being taken from the oil jail and garage building. Let County Judge M. R. Hill tell you: "Oh, we will probably build a county garage out in east side some time—in a year or two," he said.

Mr. Ruple, our interesting printer's devil, wants to know what is wrong with the poetic-minded public. Only three poems have come in following his announcement yes-

COMING SUNDAY

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How many business men wish that their homes could be run as well as their offices—and that their wives understand their needs as swiftly as their secretaries!

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Pick of the Pictures—always!

HOOVER DAM BIDS ARE CALLED FOR BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18. (UP)—The government today called for bids on the construction of the Hoover dam, huge power and irrigation project, in the Boulder canyon of the Colorado river. Bids will be opened March 4.

SANTA FE POINTS SMALL TERRITORY OF TPN RAILROAD

LUBBOCK, Dec. 18. (AP)—Santa Fe railroad witnesses today supplied finishing touches on their testimony opposing the proposed construction of 333 miles of lines by the Texas & Pacific Northern from Big Spring to Lubbock, Amarillo and Vega.

T. B. Gallagher, Amarillo, Santa Fe general freight and passenger agent, introduced a map purporting to show the small area in the proposed roads territory that is not within 15 miles of existing rail stations.

Today that he would conduct a poetry contest and award prizes. He will receive the poems until Jan. 1. Letters postmarked later than that will be discarded. Prizes of \$3, \$2 and \$1 will be awarded. The last one is for the worst poem, the first two for the best. You'd be surprised at knowing who sent in the first three poems. Judges will be announced and Mr. Ruple will write you an interesting article explaining what he wants et cetera.

Here comes Cy Foster and Dorris Harrison with a wad of copy for the issue. Herman Walker was just in with high school news, and before him Charlene Parrott. High school students take their weekly newspaper seriously.

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getting jobs and who force stores to lower wages by sending their business out of town. Most Midland people are loyal Midlanders.

Business is good in Midland now. Business men don't urge uneconomic buying, but point out that goods are cheaper, and say they compete with all mail order houses, quality considered. Midland is noted for its big selections of goods, live wire merchants and fair prices.

Home town people are doing good buying now, and business is expected to be good all through the holidays. People who make their money in Midland, and when they do they help keep wages up and help idle men get jobs.

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Group number: "Indian War Dance," 1st piano, Jo Ann Barber, Bessie Lou Parker; 2nd piano, Elizabeth Dodge, Inez Pittman.

"Dolly's Lullaby," Gloria Swanson

"Fairlyland Music," Marion Martin

"Italian Song," Lou Ella Cobb

"Farewell to the Alps," Isabella Shugert

"Indian Campfire," Evelyn Phillips

"Norwegian Cradle Song," Theresa Brooks

(a), "Oriental Dance," (b), "Oriental Dreams," Shirley Hyde

"Estrellita," Olivia Hallmark

"Come Back to Erin," Daphne McAden

"To a Wild Rose," Eddie Blanche Cowden

"La Soubrette," "Song of India," and a group from Chopin, Dorothy Cummins

Two piano group: "Flowers and Ferns," 1st piano, Sammie Lane Cobb, Daphne McAden; 2nd piano, Evelyn Adams.

De Luxe Barber Shop Under New Management

R. E. Hunt has purchased from H. A. Holt the De Luxe barber shop on Main street, it was announced this morning. The business went under the new management Wednesday.

Hunt will operate the business as a union shop, having himself, Bun Grammer and Dewey Jackson making up the personnel.

Invitation to former customers and new ones is extended by the management.

DIES FROM TETANUS

CORSICANA, Dec. 18. (AP)—A thorn accidentally imbedded in the hand of Alvie Ingraham of Barry caused tetanus resulting in death.

JUDGE LINDSEY'S WIFE SUFFERING FROM HIS ARREST

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18. (UP)—Mrs. Ben B. Lindsey, wife of the foremost advocate of companionate marriage, was on the verge of a nervous breakdown and her condition was critical, it was learned here today.

It was understood that Mrs. Lindsey, who is soon to become a mother, has been in poor health since her husband was disbarred from the courts of Colorado over a year ago. His arrest in New York for causing a disturbance in a cathedral aggravated her illness, physicians said.

MIDLAND MEN TO ATTEND ODESSA MEETING DEC. 22

Judge M. R. Hill, possibly some of the county commissioners, and a representative of the Midland chamber of commerce will go to Odessa Monday morning at 11 o'clock to attend the meeting called by Henry E. Webb, county judge elect of Ector, to protest any further tax on natural resources.

"To the county judges and commissioners of West Texas—

A warning: You no doubt have read the report published in state papers, Sunday, Dec. 14, regarding the alleged intentions of Mr. Elbert M. Barron, of Sherman, Texas, to introduce a joint resolution in the next (42nd) session of the legislature, proposing to amend the constitution so as to completely abolish state ad valorem taxes, substituting therefor such special taxes as the legislature may see fit to impose, and making specific mention of an income tax, a tax on minerals and other natural resources.

"I need not call your attention to the fact that if such an amendment should be placed in effect, it would unquestionably retard the development of West Texas' tremendous natural resources to such an extent that, coming as it will just following a period of great depression, it would mean the utter ruin of this great southwestern empire, serving to practically de-populate the entire area and blasting the bright hopes of a million people.

"A meeting has been called, to assemble in the district court room at Odessa, at 11 o'clock Monday morning December 22, at which it is hoped that every county official in the entire Southwest Texas area will be present. Many men prominent in state politics have been invited to attend.

"Respectfully yours,
Henry G. Webb, Co. Judge elect,
Ector county, Texas."

Hurries up Case to Give Man a Job

HOUSTON, (AP)—Judge Nat Davis of the Harris county court at law was not going to let judicial slowness aggravate the unemployment situation.

So, the other day when a job was found for one of his jurors, Judge Davis had the proceedings speeded up so the juror could accept it.

Joseph S. Meyers, head of the unemployment relief committee, strode into the courtroom hunting the peer, who is a printer, and said: "Hold on a minute, judge. I have found this man a job, but he must begin work this afternoon."

"O.K.," replied the court. Turning to counsel, he said: "Gentlemen, you have just heard Mr. Meyers' statement. Now lets get along with the case and not have any more delay."

There was no more delay and the printer got the job.

RUNS OVER HAWKS

J. T. Robinson of the Gulf Pipe-line company drives the fastest car in the town or else met two of the slowest hawks in West Texas, for, on the way to Midland from Crane City the other afternoon, he ran over and killed a couple of the fast flying birds.

Robinson said the hawks appeared not to see him. They were eating a rabbit.

FIRE RAGES IN BONHAM

BONHAM, Dec. 18. (AP)—The Arnold dry goods company, the three-story building housing it, and the A. M. Clines tailoring store adjoining were destroyed by fire last night. The estimated damage is \$75,000 to \$80,000.

ATTENTION GEOLOGISTS

Midland geologists or men doing geological work are asked to meet Friday at noon in the Scharbauer hotel for the purpose of forming a luncheon club.

It is thought that the club will meet every two weeks or possibly once each month. The purposes of the club are social rather than scientific.

Following the luncheon, a business meeting will be held at which time officers will be elected.

PRACTICAL GIFTS at Practical Prices

For your guidance in buying Christmas presents, we list here outstanding gift suggestions. Our stock embraces more than a hundred beautiful gifts for men and an equal number for women and children. Besides the large distinctive selections, we offer you merchandise at prices that are within range of every buyer -- yet the quality is in every article.

SPECIAL BUY ARRIVED JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS 30 Dozen Kayser Hose

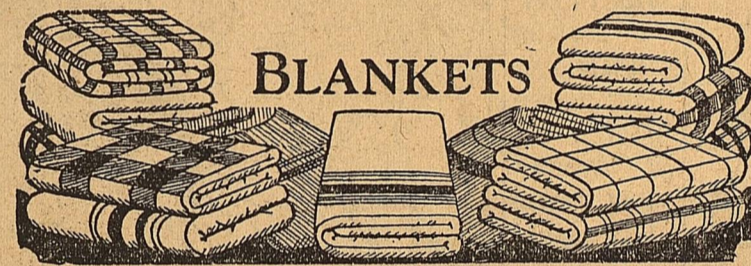
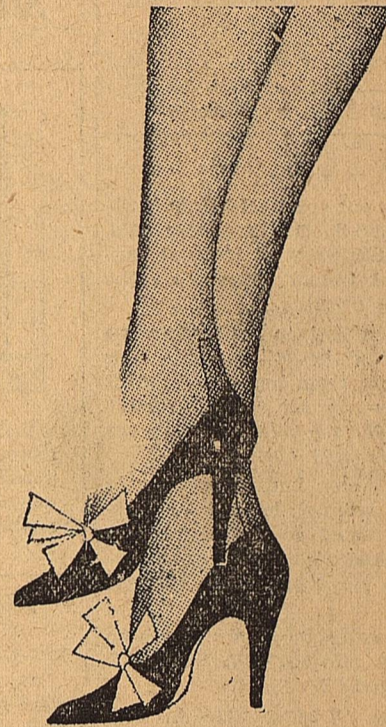
Service Weight—pure silk thread to the top, slightly irregular.

Riverside Avenue Taupé Nutone Parklane Algiers Sahara State

What would be nicer for Christmas?

2 pair for \$1.50

TIL CHRISTMAS 2 PAIR \$1.95 HOSE FOR \$3.50



BLANKETS

Blankets have proven the most popular gift so far. What could be more appreciated?

- 3 1/2 Pound Double part wool plaid blankets 66x80 \$2.95
- 4 Pound Double part wool plaid blankets 70x80 \$3.35
- 4 1/2 Pound Double part wool plaid blankets 70x80 \$3.85
- 3 1/2 Pound Double cotton, grey only, 66x80, special \$1.19
- 4 1/2 Pound all wool, double blankets, 66x80, worth \$7.85, special \$5.85

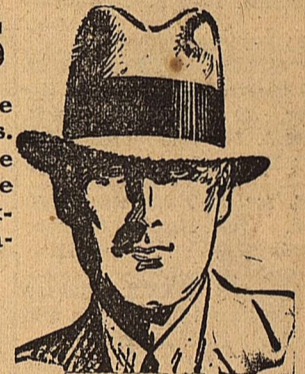
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Special selling of blanket robes. A splendid gift for any man at these special prices.

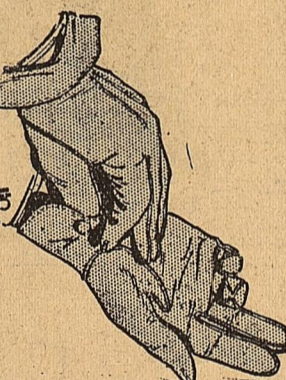
- \$9.85 Robes \$6.15
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MEN'S HATS

New hat for the Christmas holidays. What would be more appropriate than a new silk-lined Hat in the latest styles?



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For the man whose wardrobe is so complete that you are in a quandary as to what to give him, you are always safe in choosing gloves. HANSEN GLOVES in beautiful soft new leather lined and unlined

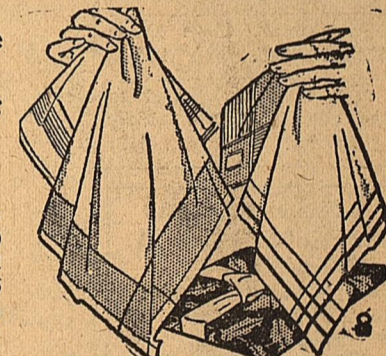
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Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box . \$1.00
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Men's Mufflers, square or shaped . \$1.00 to \$3.50



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They're the kind of Hose he will be glad to wear during the holiday season—the kind of gifts he's sure to wear a long time after that. In pure silks of plain colors and patterns.

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Straps of Cowhide and live leather matched with initial.

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