

JUDGE HILL ON TAX COMMITTEE

Boy Killed Near Sweetwater as He Falls From Train

SNOW ACCOMPANIES LOWERING TEMPERATURES OVER STATE

MIDLAND COLDEST OF YEAR

Snow Here Sunday; Drop to 18 Is Felt Today

DALLAS, Dec. 22. (AP).—Roofs of industrial buildings and homes were white with a two and a half inch snow here today as a result of yesterday's snow.

The white blanket covered an area including Waco, Abilene, and Wichita Falls. Amarillo reported no snow but a temperature of 18 degrees. Other freezing temperatures included Dallas, 25, Austin, 32, El Paso 26, Palestine, 28, and Wichita Falls, 26, and Midland, 18.

Texas was not alone in receiving bad weather. The California citrus area around Pomona reported 26 degrees with smudge pots lighted. Other low marks included Pasadenas, 21, San Francisco, 21, Redlands, 30.

London reported a fog had blinded ships along the Baltic Sea, English channel and east Mediterranean, delaying shipping.

Coldest Night Here Sunday night was the coldest night of the season in Midland, the mercury receding to the 18-degree calibration. Snow, precipitated to a depth of .09 inch, began falling about 8:30 Sunday morning. The temperature Sunday was checked at its lowest point at 30 degrees.

The thermometer registered 26 degrees Sunday night at 11:30, and fell to 18 about 2:30, when temperature was still felt at 7:30 this morning.

Coincident with the solstice came the snow, the first of the season. It was warmer this afternoon, registering 50 degrees at 1 o'clock.

Leaves Special to Congress' Methods

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. (UP).—President Hoover will let congress work out for itself the problem of avoiding a special session after March 1, it was learned from the White House today.

Suggestions that the president would ask for passage of a single bill carrying all necessary appropriations for running the government for next year were met at the White House with word that the whole matter be left to the congress' judgment.

Drag Bayou Looking For Missing Body

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 22. (UP).—The Conways bayou on the Louisiana side of the Sabine river was being dragged today for the body of Robert Strickland, Port Arthur Refinery employe, who was drowned when a motorboat was struck and burned. Two companions swam to safety but Strickland apparently became entangled in the boat.

Hears Verdict



Miss Grace Brandon, comely stenographer who once lived in Midland, and a star witness for the prosecution in the case of Major Shepard, accused of murdering his wife with poison in order that he might marry Miss Brandon, heard a life sentence read out to the accused man today.

FIVE ARMY SHIPS AND OTHER CRAFT STOP HERE TODAY

Five new Douglas army ships being flown from Santa Monica, Calif., to eastern national guard stations were refueled at Sloan field this morning, according to information received early this afternoon. Besides the army planes, a navy ship, and two privately owned planes were also serviced today.

Lieuts. F. A. Johnson, Fowler, and J. H. Gray had Chicago as their destination for army ships; Lieut. J. C. Goldsborough was going to New York and Lt. L. J. Louer was taking his plane to South Bend, Ind.

Lieut. S. F. Moore was piloting a Boeing for the navy from El Paso to Philadelphia. Burrell Tibbs in a Bellanca was taking three passengers from Wichita Falls to Ft. Davis. Harry W. Fowler was also piloting a Bellanca with three passengers from El Paso to Dallas.

Editors Are Behind Prison Bars Now

AUSTIN, (UP).—It has always been the boast of editors and printers that few of either vocations get into prisons. This will not deter the Texas prison system from having a printing plant.

Bids were recently received by the state board of control on a linotype machine, two job presses and other equipment for the prison printing plant. Total cost is about \$14,000.

The prison at Huntsville already has a small plant doing printing jobs for the prisons. When enlargement of the plant was first proposed it brought a protest from printers who saw in it a movement to start doing all state printing by convict labor.

An opinion was asked of the attorney general's department if the prisons could do state printing. The contention was that as the departments are required by statutes to let their printing on bids, the prison work was barred. The prison board could not bid, it was claimed, because it could not make a contract upon which any of the departments might sue, if dissatisfied with performance.

When it became apparent that only a small plant was contemplated the protests were not renewed.

BULLETIN WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. (P).—President Hoover today signed the bill appropriating \$150,000,000 for the farm board.

This brings to \$400,000,000 the amount made available from \$500,000,000 authorized for the board's revolving fund.

Texas and Pacific Seeks Permission to Arrange for \$13,000,000 for Financing

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. (UP).—The Texas & Pacific railway today asked permission of the interstate commerce commission to issue, sell and deliver \$13,000,000 of six per cent promissory notes. It was said that the money would be used to meet financing requirements including the repayment of \$1,700,000 short term notes due this month.

NITRO SHOT IS SUCCESSFUL IN STOPPING GASSER

WEWOKA, Okla., Dec. 22. (UP).—A third effort to blast flames from the unruly wild gas well on the Wewoka townsite was successful today. A 45-pound charge of nitroglycerine was placed in through a near well and when it exploded the blaze was snuffed out. A great cloud of dust and debris obscured the well when the charge exploded.

The task of shutting in the wild well is expected to take two or three days.

Partner's Death Basis of Charge Temple Murder

TEMPLE, Dec. 22. (P).—A long friendship, which grew into a business partnership ended in death and a murder charge here today.

Joe Carroll was jailed after fatally shooting his partner, John Harrison, 25, after entering their garage for the night. They had been the best of friends.

Officers reported that drinking had preceded the tragedy. Carroll's attorney claimed self-defense. Carroll was charged with murder by the justice court.

Four Escape Death As Plane Hits Home

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22. (P).—Four persons narrowly escaped death and part of the mall cargo was destroyed when a tri-motored of the Transcontinental Western Air Incorporated airline struck a high tension power line and hurtled into the home of A. L. Toner at the Alhambra landing field today.

A. L. Ousterhaut, Wyoming, passenger, was slightly burned. The ship was preparing to land from Salt Lake City. Pilots Bart Cox and George Sherwood rescued Toner from his home which the crash set ablaze.

City Population Gains Over Rural

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. (P).—The census bureau today announced the urban population of the United States at 68,955,521; rural population, 53,819,525.

Urban figures include places over 2,500 population. Texas figures: urban, 2,389,348 and rural 3,435,367.

Midland Best Decorated

"Midland is the best decorated city between here and Bryan," Wilton Orson, A. & M. College youth said when he arrived home to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orson. Young Orson, who is studying veterinary surgery, said he passed through towns five times as large as Midland, but that this city had by far the most beautiful Christmas decorations he had seen.

Sends Her 'Regrets'

LONDON. (UP).—A woman summoned for non-payment of income tax wrote her regrets to the collector, explaining she had been on the "dole" since last April.

BULLETIN

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22. (UP).—A jury in federal district court here today found Major Charles A. Shepard guilty of murdering his wife, Mrs. Zenah Shepard, by administering poison to her. The verdict carried a sentence of life imprisonment as the jury was recommended against capital punishment.

The jury received the case at 3 p. m. Saturday and has debated the officer's fate continuously since that time, with the exception of intervals for rest and food. Major Shepard stood with shoulders erect as the jury made its report. The verdict read "We find the defendant guilty as charged with the indictment, but without capital punishment."

EN ROUTE TO SPEND HOLIDAYS

Identity Thought to Be Established As E. Davis

SWEETWATER, Dec. 22. (UP).—A youth, believed to be Ennis Davis, 24, died in a hospital here today as a result of a fall from a freight train which he was riding in local yards. It is believed that he was en route to spend the holidays with relatives in Eastland.

Both legs were severed near the hips by the cars. Davis' relatives were notified at Eastland and Powell.

Midland Boy Wins A & M Rifle Award

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 22. — Sharpshooting cavalrymen of the A. & M. College of Texas R. O. T. C. carried off the honors in this year's intra-mural rifle competition at the college, just completed, report on the matches by Lieutenant Leonard R. Nachman, rifle team coach, shows. Troop B team was first place winner with total of 867 hits out of a possible 1,000. Members of the winning team include G. L. Milner, Winnsboro; C. W. Crass, Palestine; R. H. Scheer, Marshall; G. T. Bittle, Eastland and M. Witzel Whitmore, Midland. Each of these will receive intra-mural medal. In addition Crass will be awarded medal as manager of the winning intra-mural team.

Cavalry marksmen also led in competition for the individual high scores. Milner, of the winning team, was first in individual scores with 185 hits out of a possible 200 and will receive medal for high individual score. F. S. Willett, Bryan, of Troop C, Cavalry, was second with 180, while Frank Jecker, Refugio, of Company B, Signal Corps, with third with 178.

The records of intra-mural firing at A. & M. show that the score of Cadet Captain Milner, winner of individual high score and member of the winning team, is the highest ever made in an intra-mural match at the college.

In the team competition, Company B, Engineer Corps, was section and Battery F, Field Artillery, third.

More than 250 men fired in the matches which required two and a half weeks and approximately 13,000 rounds of ammunition. Twenty-five teams of ten men each competed in the practice phase and twenty-three teams in the record practice. The firing of intercollegiate matches, in which about thirty marksmen of A. & M. will compete, will start after the holidays, Lieutenant Nachman said.

Shrubs Being Put Out in Midland

Five hundred Chinese Elms for the cemetery have been ordered from Gus Schattensburg, Baker Brothers landscape man, by the commissioner's court. The beautification project will be one of two conducted by the county, the other being the setting out of approximately 1200 shrubs at the court house.

The high school and junior high school have almost completed setting out of evergreen shrubs, and numerous residence sections are being improved in the same way.

TOYS STILL COMING

Although little is being said of the matter at this last minute of the campaign, many toys are still being sent into the chamber of commerce and Texas Electric Service company for poor relief Christmas.

Judge Who Rules Out Prohibition



If it turns out that there really isn't any prohibition, after all, you can thank—or blame—Federal Judge William Clark of New Jersey for discovering the fact. This is a new, unusually fine portrait of the youthful-appearing jurist whose decision that the Eighteenth Amendment is invalid has stirred up a whirlwind of legal and lay argument and will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

SANTA CLAUS FIRED IN MEXICO; OLD AZTEC GOD PUT IN HIS PLACE

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22. — This year there will be no Santa Claus in Mexico. Santy has been chased out of the country as an "undesirable foreigner."

His place will be taken by a native mythical deity who bears the somewhat abbreviated name Quetzalcoatl (pronounced kets-al-kwatl). Quetzalcoatl, the "Fair God" of Montezuma's people, who was nominated to the elevated post by the Mexican ministry of public education, will make his debut December 23, when he will appear in humanized form to the children of Mexico City.

The occasion of this initial manifestation is to be a Christmas "fiesta" to be held at the National Stadium under the auspices of the ministry of public education. At this fiesta the newly appointed Santy will hand out toys, clothing and food to poor children of Mexico City.

Where Quetzalcoatl came from, where he disappeared to, and what he looks like are mysteries to which no great importance is attached here. He was the god of the winds of the Aztec Indians, and is usually depicted in the form of a plumed serpent. At the San Juan Teotihuacan archaeological field near here the principal pyramid, the "Temple of Quetzalcoatl," bears the figure of a huge feathered serpent.

As depicted in his humanized form, however, by the ministry of public education, Quetzalcoatl is a solemn, gray-haired personage with a beard not as long as that of the banished Santa Claus, and with a long, formal robe instead of the jolly sports attire of Santa Claus.

Old Aztec traditions speak of a man, tall and blond, with a golden beard, who spoke sweetly and taught Indians many useful arts, poetry and music. One day, however, this blond stranger, who had been named Quetzalcoatl, went to sea, started to walk over the waves, and was never seen again. Only his memory re-

ODESSA MEETING ON TODAY

Disproportionate Tax Amount Said Paid By West Texas

By Special Correspondent. ODESSA, Dec. 22.—County Judge M. R. Hill of Midland was included in a committee of five appointed to draw up resolutions regulating taxes on natural resources of Texas. The meeting, called by County Judge Elect Henry E. Webb of Odessa and including in its scope the attendance of about 20 county judges and commissioners, as well as chamber of commerce officials of this section, was held in the Ector county courthouse.

Other judges on the committee appointed are: Casebier, McKeellar, Olson, Talley and Herald.

Included in the motion to elect the five committees was the provision that Peter Molyneux, noted tax expert and editor of the Texas Monthly, Dallas; Judge Melton and Paul T. Vickers, of the Midland chamber of commerce, be instructed to sit with the committee as counselors.

The committee was to report at 2 o'clock before the general body. Judge Webb opened the assembly with a speech that declared for legislative protection against "unjust tax burdens" on natural resources.

"It is up to the people of West Texas to protect themselves by appearing in the legislature with the facts," he said.

The Odessa speaker was followed by Molyneux who explained that Pat Neff was the only governor of recent years who did not play politics against the ad valorem tax.

"East Texas is profiting by the taxes West Texas pays," he said, "pointing out that Midland county pays for the scholastic school fund on a basis of \$3,247, while Henderson county, in East Texas pays on a basis of \$1,235." The difference is even more than this in many instances, he pointed out. One East Texas county pays on a basis of only a few dollars more than \$700, while Loving county, West Texas, pays on a basis of \$91,000.

"The ad valorem tax is fairer," he said. He warned against breaking down the economic system of West Texas through paying excessive taxes.

TROOP 52 MEETS

Troop 52, Boy Scouts of America, meet at 7 o'clock Tuesday night, Buster Howard, assistant scoutmaster, said.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:

DALLAS, Dec. 22. (UP).—Five were injured when an incoming bus from Ardmore swerved to avoid collision with an automobile and crashed into the front of a building northeast of Dallas today.

Mrs. Grace Delee, Corsicana, Mrs. John C. Storey, Miss Lila Morgan of Lewisville and J. B. Woodrum of Denton were treated for cuts and bruises at a hospital.

Grocery Store Is Robbed on Sunday

Thieves broke into the Hokus-Pokus grocery late Saturday night or early Sunday morning and ransacked a cash drawer, getting away with approximately \$15 in currency and without leaving well defined clues as to their identity.

Entrance was affected through a transom. Ellis Conner, with the Hokus-Pokus market, reported the theft to police about 8:30 Sunday morning.

John M. Speed, proprietor of the grocery, said no establishment of his had ever been robbed before.

Mother is the necessity of convention.



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TURN ABOUT IS FAIR PLAY

A Midland workman who read an article in this newspaper the other day concerning buying in Midland, and showing how logical people lose jobs when dollars are spent in other cities, says there are two sides of the question.

He charges that there are instances where local business leaders go elsewhere for work that could be done by local tradesmen. This robs the business men themselves in the long run, he points out, because it deprives Midland craftsmen of spending money and sometimes causes them to have to go elsewhere to find work in their lines.

The Midland workman agreed that working men should spend their money at home, but declared business men, bankers, garage owners, furniture dealers, doctors, hotel owners, grocers, clothiers, lawyers, housewives, society women and the people who have the most money ought to take the lead in spending their money at home.

"If the business man patronizes the home laborer, the home mechanic, the home carpenter, tailor, laundry, etc., he will be giving us working people jobs and we'll spend our money right here in Midland, and the business men will get most of it back; but the home people, the cow men, the oil men, the society women, the professional people, the business men, ought to start this thing. They ought to buy everything in Midland, and they will themselves be more prosperous and have a better city to live in," the laborer declared.

A GOOD INDICATION

Maybe it's just the hard times, and maybe the country is recovering its sanity. We'd prefer to believe the latter to be the case; but, anyhow, you can judge for yourself.

Someone tried staging a marathon dancing contest in a suburb of a large middle-western city the other day. Seventy couples signed up, together with four solo dancers, and the affair got under way in the usual manner.

But after a fortnight, with 11 couples remaining on the floor, the contest fell to pieces. Its promoters explained that it was not making expenses, due to woefully insufficient patronage by the public.

As we say, this may just be due to hard times. But hard times or no, it is a good sign when the general public begins to stay away from a marathon dance contest.

SPAIN SEEMS SATISFIED

For several years the outside world has been hearing widespread rumors that Spain has been seething with dissatisfaction with its government. A few days ago these rumors culminated in a revolt, and a great many observers confidently expected the government to fall—and, possibly, the monarchy as well.

But it begins to look as if these rumors had exaggerated the extent of the popular discontent. The revolt was crushed so quickly that it almost looked farcical. Passing judgment at this distance, of course, is not easy; but it looks as if the Spanish people were much more satisfied with their lot than we have been led to believe—or else the government is unusually able and energetic in stamping out the first sparks of rebellion before they can touch off a conflagration.

WHEAT FOR THE CHINESE?

The current Magazine of Wall Street, pointing out that the federal farm board may well have a tremendous carryover of wheat at the end of the year, and fearing that such a carryover would have an extremely depressing influence, makes this suggestion:

"Why not give it away? Four hundred million underfed Chinamen would devour it without loosening their belts. At the sight of a pile of wheat being distributed by the government the Communists would fade away faster than they ever will before machine guns. The wheat might be given to our people, but home relief can be better handled by cash, and without danger of making matters worse by upsetting the flour and baking trades.

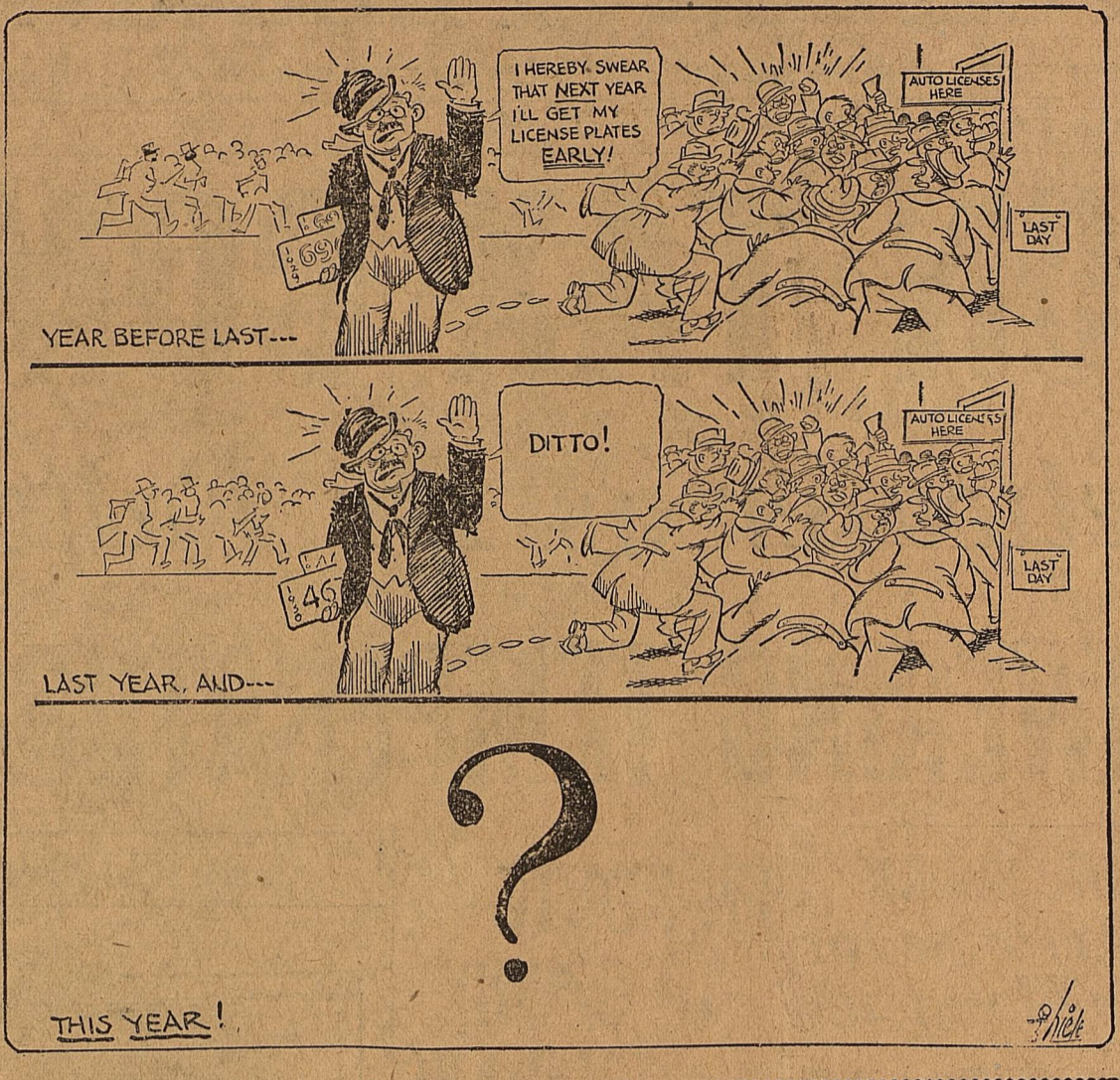
"Giving wheat to starving Chinamen who aren't buying and can't buy will upset nothing—and may set up an era of peace and reconstruction in China. And China is one of the things that is the matter with this disturbed world."

Side Glances by Clark



Bringing in the Yule Log.

Yessir, Something Auto Be Done About It!



Daily Washington Letter By **Rodney Dutcher**
 Senator Heflin Is Waging a Determined Fight to Obtain Adequate Relief for His Constituents in Drought-Stricken Area Even if He Was Defeated in November Election

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Honorable J. Thomas Heflin of Alabama, that famous senator who is now a lame duck because he attempted to rally his state against Al Smith and the Pope in 1928, is not going to let his constituents down simply because they dumped him back into private life at election time.

Instead of bellowing madly at the Catholic church or describing the iniquities of his political enemies, Tom has devoted himself in the Senate thus far to the business of seeing that the drought sufferers of Alabama and other stricken states get some real relief.

He has been plugging for the \$60,000,000 drought relief appropriation which the Senate passed and which the administration House leaders have been trying to cut to \$25,000,000 or \$30,000,000. Tom shares the quaint idea that the government ought to lend money to feed people as well as farm animals.

"It doesn't make any difference to me whether they call it a dol or not," he says, referring to what Secretary of Agriculture Hyde called the food appropriation after admitting he was wrong in national history.

Seeks Funds for Hungry
 Pointing to government subsidies to private shipbuilders, Heflin guesses that if the government can lend money to individuals to set them up in business and enable them to make money, it can also lend money to American citizens who are hungry.

"These men and women in Alabama and other states of the Union are in the midst of distress, the like of which they never have known before," he declared. "Not only can they not support themselves, but their neighbors who are better off have suffered so acutely from farm products that they are not able to lend a helping hand. Ordinarily we can depend on community relief in times of distress, but not now."

"Cotton is selling for 10 cents a pound, \$30 to \$35 a bale below the cost of production, and other farm products and selling at low and unprofitable prices. The farmers are unable to pay the debts they owe or to take care of themselves, even outside the drought-stricken area."

"Provision of \$60,000,000, in my opinion, is inadequate. The sum of \$25,000,000 will not begin to relieve the distress and suffering of the people afflicted by drought. What sort of a policy are some of these people seeking to lay down when they would supply a man with seed to plant in the ground and feed for stock and with fertilizer to put in the soil when they have nothing to eat, nothing upon which to live, nothing with which to support his family while he is making a crop. To my mind such a suggestion is utterly ridiculous."

"When a crash comes in Wall Street they call upon the banking facilities of the government and get the funds they need to tide them over the crisis. Shipbuilders can borrow government money to carry on their business. But patriotic men and women whose sons have been called upon to bear arms for defense of their government are not allowed a loan with which to buy food to live on during a period of unprecedented distress and suffering. You can supply them with seed, but they can't live to make the crop without they have food and for themselves and their families."

Points to Mortgages
 "The farmer in my state who has two horses, a two-horse farmer as we call him, has already mortgaged his horses, his wagon perhaps, his household effects. How can he live even if the man who holds the mortgage is willing for him to keep that property?"

Tom recalls that the government went to the rescue in the Salem fire, the San Francisco disaster and the last big Mississippi flood and says that if there is any attempt now to take care of certain "big interests to the hurt and injury of the poor people of the United States," there are going to be some interesting things heard from Tom Heflin.

He must be sincere about all this, even though President Hoover says the people who want \$60,000,000 for drought relief are "playing politics with human misery." As a lame duck Democrat who supported Hoover in 1928, Heflin might possibly hope for a soft job on some bipartisan commission. An insincere Tom who yearned primarily for a job would string along with the president instead of opposing him.

The Town Quack

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

off next Sunday. That being the last day of the Paul T. and T. Paul Sunday school contest, Paul T. is reported to be trying to arrange ball so the men can be taken to his class.

In spite of all I said about the oil boys looking so easy in the basketball line-up, I'll have to admit that I feel a little shaky on our game with the California company tonight. If the name of that team meant anything, I would have hopes that the boys from the sunny clime could not stand up to this cold weather, but they are just a bunch of home products like we are. A blizzard may be just what they need to hit their stride. Just so they don't hit our stride when we are trying to shoot goals, all will be oke.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"Is The Universe, Including Man, Evolved By Atomic Forces?" was the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, December 21.

The golden text was from Psalms 148:5, 6. "Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God: which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth forever."

Among the selections read from the Bible was the following: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear"—Hebrews 11:3.

Included in the service were citations from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy; two being as follows: "The universe, like man, is to be interpreted by Science from its divine Principle, God, and then it can be understood; but when explained on the basis of physical sense and represented as subject to growth, maturity, and decay, the universe, like man, is, and must continue to be, an enigma . . . Spirit is the life, substance, and continuity of all things"

Ramsay Baby Born
 News was received this morning of the birth of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsay, in Los Angeles, California. The boy was born Sunday morning, December 21.

Mr. Ramsay formerly lived in Midland and has many relatives and friends here.

Mis mother, Mrs. Mollie Ramsay, who is in Los Angeles, is expected to arrive in Midland sometime this week.

Chase away hard times by taking better care of your car—See our ad.

SOCIETY

Engagement of Miss Ernestine Half
Is Announced

Announcement of the engagement of Miss Ernestine Julia Half, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half, formerly prominent residents of Midland, to Mr. Norman Freeman of Cambridge, Mass., appeared in the Sunday issue of the Dallas Morning News. A photograph of Miss Half appeared in the society section.

Miss Half left Midland about six years ago with her parents for Mineral Wells where they lived until moving to Dallas. The Halfs lived in Midland several years and were outstanding citizens of West Texas.

Miss Half, who is a student in Wellesley college, is spending the holidays with her parents at Melrose Court, Dallas.

Junior Endeavor Has Xmas Tree and Program

"The Nativity Scene" was presented by members of the Junior endeavor of the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Florence Richardson.

After the program the young folk went to the home of Mrs. G. A. Sundquist where a Christmas tree program was entertainment. Jolly Santa Claus with his toy bags filled with candies were given to the guests. Other gifts were presented to the pupils who brought gifts to exchange.

Members of the play cast were: Lexey Jane Cragin, Madonna; Thomas D. Murphy, Joseph, Conrad Holzgraf and Pat McMullan, the shepherds; Joseph Seymour, Billy Smith and Fred Stout, the wise men and Thelma Lee Sundquist and Lavern McMullan, the angels.

Mid Week Members Have Night Party At Moore Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Moore was the scene of a gala Christmas party for the Mid Week club Saturday evening. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. I. E. Daniel were hostess to members and their husbands.

A large Christmas tree graced one corner of the room and was colorfully decorated with the season's shades. Smaller trees with tiny stockings filled with candies hanging on the limbs were centers for the tables.

Exciting instructions were given to members after each bridge game, some including deducting from scores and adding telephone numbers to scores.

Attractive party plates were passed to Messrs. and Mmes. R. L. York, W. E. Wallace, U. Hampton, A. C. Neal, Mmes. Martha Neal, S. B. Cragin, J. L. Crump, M. C. Lucky, Mr. M. M. Meek and the hosts and hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Danglede of Lovington, New Mexico, spent Saturday night in Midland. They were en route of Joplin, Mo., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Dorsey Pinnell of the Gulf-McElroy camp will arrive in Midland this week to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Conner and children, Julian Ann and Haley Aycock, of Breckenridge will arrive in Midland Wednesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Howell and son, Wade, returned to their home in Tahoka yesterday after spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hicks and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. York and family plan to leave in a few days for Wichita Falls to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Evetts Haley of Austin are expected to arrive in Midland Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haley.

P. F. Brown, Midland oil man, left Saturday to spend the holidays visiting relatives.

Louis Douglas is expected to arrive Tuesday from Houston to join his wife who has been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Preston. They will spend the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Conger of San Angelo will arrive Tuesday to spend the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Blakeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robertson of Hobbs were visitors in Midland this week end.

S. B. Cragin left yesterday for Pecos where he will transact business for a few days.

Scharbauer Eidson of Lovington, New Mexico, is in Midland for a few days visiting friends.

Local Housewives' Choice Recipes

Sweets for the Christmas holidays are easily prepared and so delicious. Probably the following recipes will give you some new ideas.

Black Walnut Caramels
 Two and one-half cups granulated sugar, 3-4 cup white corn syrup, 1-2 cups cream, 4 table-spoons butter, 1-2 teaspoon cream of tartar, 1 cup black walnut meats, 1-2 teaspoon vanilla.
 Mix 1 cup sugar with cream of tartar and melt over a low fire. Stir while melting. Add remaining sugar, corn syrup and 1 cup cream. You may think mixture is ruined at this stage but lumps will cook out. Stir constantly over a low fire. Bring to the boiling point and boil five minutes. Add butter and remaining cream and cook slowly until a few drops tried in cold water are hard when picked up with fingers. Remove from fire and let cool a few minutes before adding nuts and vanilla. Turn into a well buttered pan and let stand until firm. Cut in squares before candy becomes solid. When hard wrap each square in oiled paper.

Almond Brittle
 Two cups granulated sugar, 1-3 teaspoon cream of tartar, 1 cup shelled almonds.
 Stir cream of tartar into sugar. Put sugar into iron frying pan and stir over a moderate fire until pan is hot. Reduce heat and stir until sugar begins to melt. Add nuts and cook, stirring until sugar is melted. Reduce heat as sugar melts. When sugar is entirely melted and a clear syrup is formed turn into a well buttered pan. Let stand in a cold place until hard. Remove from pan and break into small pieces.

Dance and Xmas Tree Entertainment For T. E. S.

Approximately 100 employees of the Texas Electric Service company from offices in Odessa, Penwell, Monohans, Wink, Pyote, Royalty, Stanton, Grand Falls, Hobbs and Midland gathered here Saturday evening to celebrate the coming of Christmas with a merry burlesque tree program and dance.

The crystal ball room of Hotel Scharbauer was attractively decorated in smilax and holly wreaths. The Christmas tree was brightly lighted and decorated with tinsels, ropes and holly.

Sacks and candies and fruits were given as favors.

Mr. Claude O. Crane played the role of St. Nicholas and distributed clever gifts among the guests.

Remembrances were given to Mr. A. S. Legg, manager of the district, by employees through the district; to Mr. J. D. Chambers, office manager, by the Midland office force; to Mr. Henry Butler by the line gang and to Mr. Drummond by the linemen.

Announcements

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

Mayfair club members will honor their husbands at a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. John E. Adams, 210 South Marlenfield at 8 o'clock.

Friday
 Christmas dance at the Midland country club for members and their guests from 9:30 until 1 o'clock. Music furnished by the Phil Phillips orchestra.

T. J. Stokes of Carrizozo, New Mexico, has arrived in Midland to spend Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stokes Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Horst will spend the holidays with relatives in Sanger and Dallas. They plan to leave here Wednesday.

Mrs. H. E. Cummins is in from the Cummins ranch north of Odessa visiting Mrs. M. E. Cole and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Swenson of Ft. Worth will arrive tonight to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bigham.

Mrs. Mollie Ramsay is expected to arrive in Midland sometime this week to spend a vacation with her daughter, Mrs. Ted Hudson, and other relatives.

Buck Myrick spent Sunday afternoon visiting friends in Odessa.

85 per cent of all repair bills may be eliminated by proper lubrication. Ever-Ready Auto Service.

Two-thirds of the persons in the world afflicted with leprosy live in China and contiguous regions.

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
 Walter Elkin
 T. S. Hogan

Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Harkins of Houston will arrive Tuesday to spend a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haley.

Mr. and Mrs. Chambers Peak are to leave Tuesday for Greenville and Dallas where they will visit with relatives during Christmas week.

Mrs. Robert Vickers of Odessa passed through Midland this morning en route to Waco where she will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. J. C. Cunningham has gone to Putnam where she is spending the holidays with her father. Mr. Cunningham will join her Wednesday and they plan to return to Midland Friday.

O. W. Baxley and family spent Sunday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hazelwood northeast of Midland.

Mrs. Minnie Morehead of Seminole was in Midland this morning shopping.

Every Branch of Beauty Work.
 Arno Scalp Treatment.
Hotel Scharbauer Beauty Shop
 Phone 807
 Mrs. Henderson

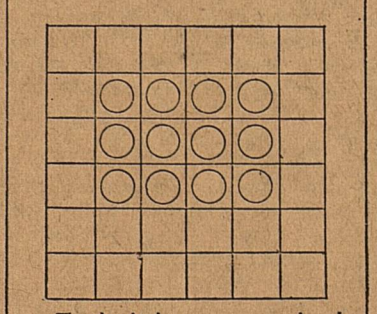
Automobile Service

Every needed and desired Winter Accessory for your automobile is here. With them comfortable motoring becomes a certainty. You'll like the quality—and the prices.

Don't wait too long for Prestone or Alcohol. Make your winter driving free from a frozen radiator.

VANCE AND COX
 ONE-STOP SERVICE STATION
 Phone 702-223 E. Wall St.
 The best equipped Service Station between Fort Worth and El Paso.
 OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

STICKERS



The sketch above represents a board of 36 squares, with 12 checkers thereon. See if you can rearrange the checkers so that each row of six squares on the board, horizontal, vertical and diagonal, contains just two checkers.

Want Ads

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES AND INFORMATION

Cash must accompany all orders for classified ads with a specified number of days for each to be inserted.

CLASSIFIEDS will be accepted until 12 at noon on week days and 6 p. m. Saturday for Sunday issues.

PROPER classification of advertisements will be done in the office of The Reporter-Telegram.

ERRORS appearing in classified ads will be corrected without charge by notice given immediately after the first insertion.

RATES:
2c a word a day.
4c a word two days.
5c a word three days.

MINIMUM charges:
1 Day 25c
2 Days 50c
3 Days 60c.

FURTHER information will be given gladly by calling—
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6. Unfurnished Houses

One side brick duplex, 1000 West Missouri. Couple only. Four room frame house. 610 South Loraine. Phone 102. 277-3p

SIX room house for rent or sale unfurnished. Double garage. 107 West Pennsylvania. 246-3p

10. Bedrooms

FRONT bedroom. Private entrance. Phone 723W. 406 North Loraine. 245-3p

14. Miscellaneous

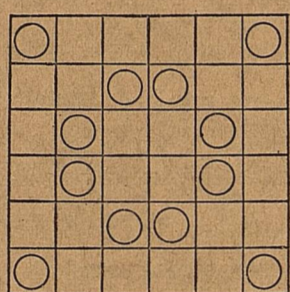
WANTED—Twenty-five dozen jack rabbits this week. See S. H. Basham at Red Star Camp before killing any. 247-2p

SHORTY SEZ—I know why so many people are on West Texas Ave. They are going to SNOWWHITE CREAMERIES for a gallon of BUTTERMILK. 245-3z

Watch our special trained men give your car an Ever-Ready-7-Segment Lubrication.

The heaviest rainfall in the United States occurred at Taylor, Texas, Sept. 9 and 10, 1921. The total rainfall was more than 23 inches.

Stickler Solution



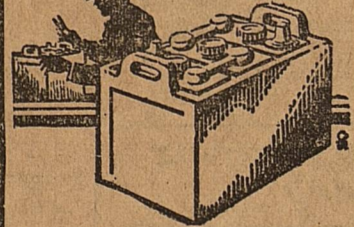
The sketch illustrates how 12 checkers can be arranged on a 36 square board so that each horizontal, diagonal and vertical row of six squares contains just two checkers.

Dr. T. R. Wright
Osteopathic & Medical
Physician
Licensed by Texas Board of
Medical Examiners
311 Petroleum Bldg.
Telephone 752

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Complete Battery, Starter and Generator Service
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J. F. FRYE RUBBER CO.
Phone 600
122 East Wall St.
Midland

SCRUGGS' DAIRY

7 miles west on highway.
Phone 9000

Newest, largest and most sanitary arranged dairy in Midland County.

GRADE A RAW MILK.

Two deliveries daily.

L. J. Scruggs

Visitors always welcome.

Southland Greyhound Lines, Inc Daily Schedules

East Bound	West Bound
10:55 A. M.	10:50 A. M.
1:55 P. M.	2:40 P. M.
6:40 P. M.	6:35 P. M.

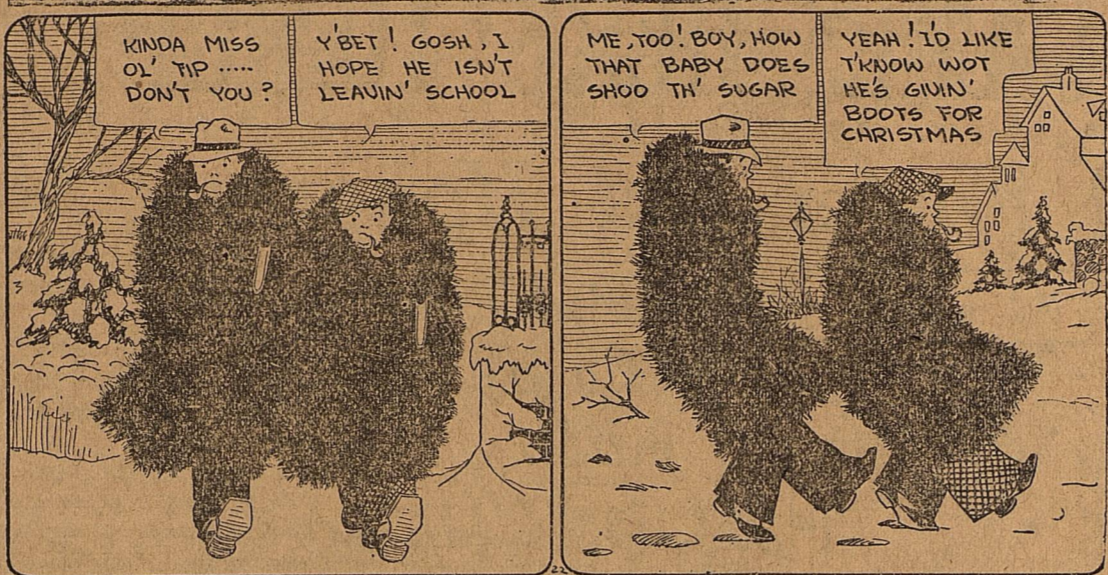
The schedule for Fort Worth and East—1:10 A. M.
The schedule to El Paso and West—3:35 A. M.

Connections west to El Paso and Los Angeles, East to Fort Worth, Dallas, North out of Peos to Carlsbad, Carlsbad Caverns, Roswell and Denver. North to Lamesa, Lubbock and Amarillo. South to San Angelo and San Antonio. Special buses everywhere at any time. Ten per cent discount on round trip tickets.

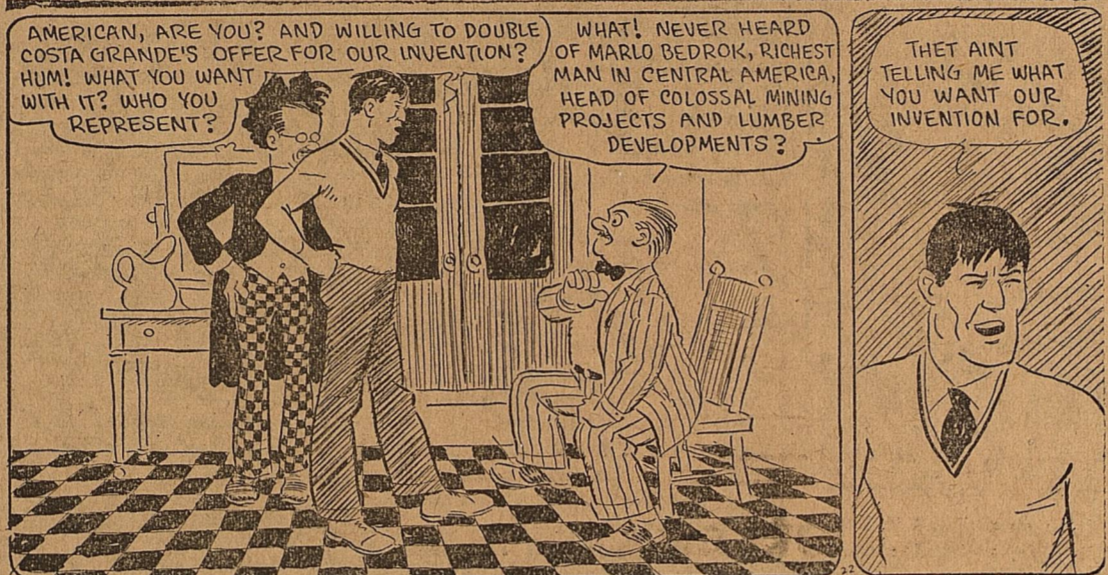
BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

News Via Boots

By Martin



WASH TUBS



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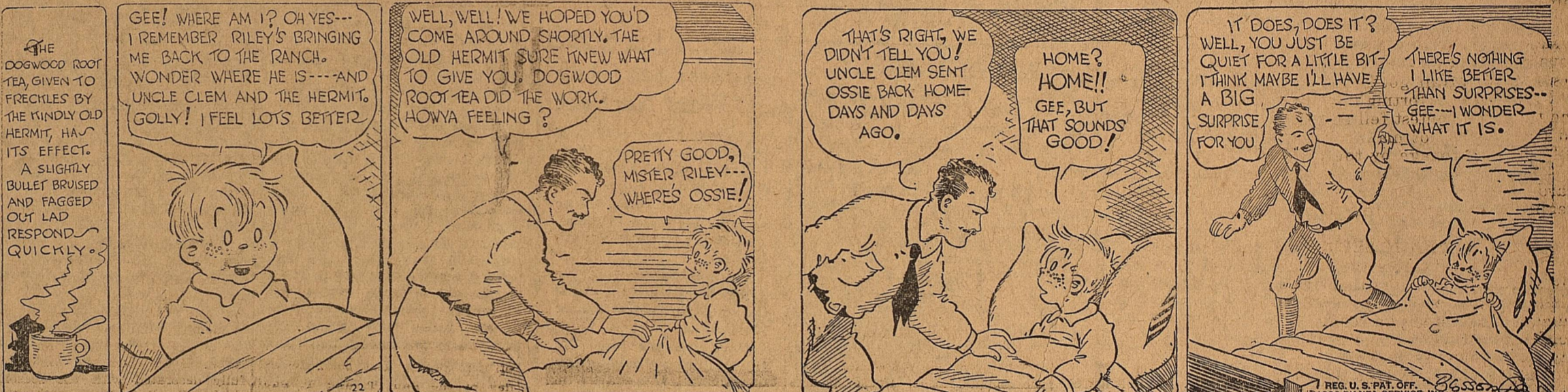


By Crane

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Freckles Is Better!

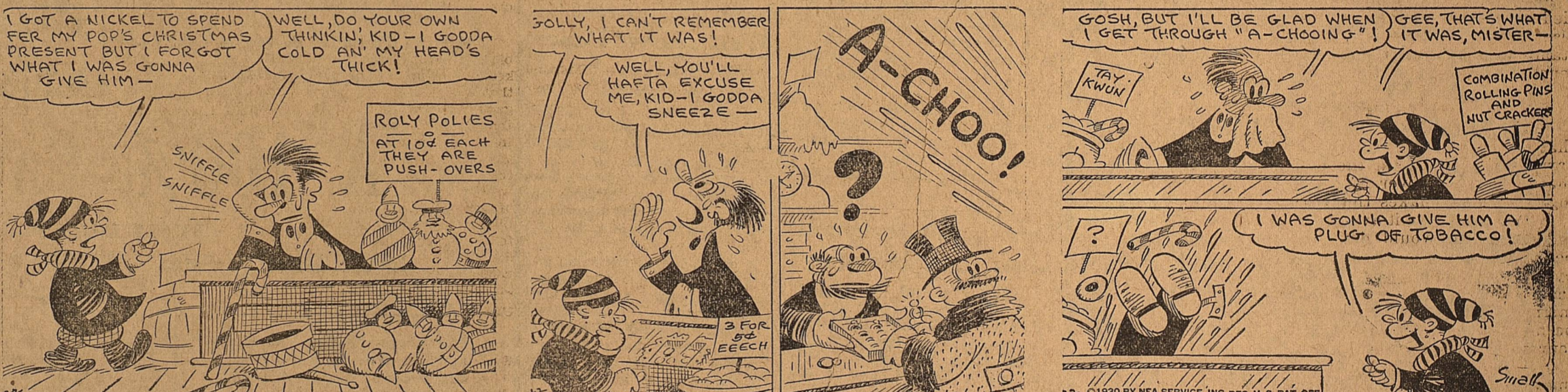
By Blosser



SALESMAN SAM

A Timely Reminder!

By Small



OUT OUR WAY

By Williams

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By Ahern



THREE FAST BASKETBALL GAMES HERE TONIGHT TO BE RADIOED

Burriss, Fryar, Hallman, and Foster Get Honorary Mention in Class B

REPORTER-TELEGRAM VS. CALIFORNIA HEADLINES EXCITEMENT; PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN CROWD; CLINIC WILL PLAY

The big night is here—the night that features a triple header among basketball teams of the Industrial league, that will offer door prizes, the ultimate in refereeing and the basis for a radio broadcast!

The session of thrills and fast action begins at 7:30, with The Reporter-Telegram playing the California Oil company's flashy quintet. The newspaper lads have buttoned a thousand-per-cent-standing under their vests but may be on the top of a hill and due for a slide to the base. California has lost a game to the Clinic Doctors but any team that holds that bunch to a few points margin should give the newspaper vendors plenty of trouble.

Southern Ice and Texas Electric play the second game, about 8:30 or 9 o'clock, and Hughes Tool and the Clinic fight for the tip-off in the third game.

These Industrial league teams play only once this week as the Christmas holidays are here and players and fans want to be home evenings.

A woman and a man will receive a prize at the games tonight. A drawing will take place. The Red Cross pharmacy and the Miller & Son Drug company have donated prizes.

A brace of Inter-Church games will be played Tuesday night, the Methodist and Christian denominations leading out in the first game and the Baptists and Presbyterians in the second.

Basket Ball		
HOW THEY STAND		
Club	W.	L. Pct.
Midland Clinic	2	0 1000
Reporter-Telegram	2	0 1000
California	1	1 500
Texas Electric	1	1 500
Hughes Tool	0	2 000
Southern Ice	0	2 000

CHURCH LEAGUE		
Club	W.	L. Pct.
Presbyterian	1	0 1000
Methodist	1	0 1000
Baptist	0	1 000
Christian	0	1 000

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE	
Industrial Tonight	
California vs. Reporter-Telegram, 7:30.	
Southern Ice vs. Texas Electric	
Hughes Tool vs. Midland Clinic	
Inter-Church Tuesday night	
Methodist vs. Christian, 7:30.	
Baptist vs. Presbyterian	

NEW ARMY BLDGS.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 22. (P)—New United States army projects for two different San Antonio posts are definitely announced. Permanent barracks for 200 enlisted men at Camp Normole will cost approximately \$180,000. The buildings will be concrete, hollow tile and stucco. Construction work was expected to start by February 1.

Market Report

Lethargic price movement developed on New York cotton exchanges around noon today with list easing from highs to around previous closing levels. Toward close of first hour prices were almost 50 cents a bale above previous closing. Buying dwindled and while selling pressure did not increase list ebbed slowly. No feature to dealings, and most of trading was confined to professional operations. Selling came mostly from the south, while the buying came from mills in nature of price fixing. Undertone of market steady.

RIZ LAST TIMES TODAY

DOROTHY MacKAIL LEWIS STONE

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Society home, and business—all wrapped up in one enchanting bundle. It's REAL entertainment, too—the kind you remember with pleasure.

Also "PARAMOUNT SOUND NEWS" "A SURE CURE" "DOGWAY MELODY", Talking Dog Comedy

TOMORROW

GLITTERING ROMANCE!

Aglow with the charm and color of fashions most fascinating and gorgeous array, this dressed up romance sets a new standard of heart throbs.

ON YOUR BACK

Irene Rich H. B. Warner Raymond Hackett directed by Guthrie McClintic

Girls Accuse New York Policemen



Stories of being framed, beaten and convicted on perjured testimony by four policemen were told by these two girls, pictured above as they appeared at the departmental trial of members of the police vice squad in New York. Marjory Wharton (left) and Winifred Grayson (right) corroborated recent testimony of Chile M. Acuna, former police informer, who made sensational charges which resulted in an investigation of the vice squad's activities.

Little R. R. Work For Coming Years

LUBBOCK, Texas. (P)—Very little construction of new rail lines will be started in the United States in the next few years after the present building program has been completed, in the opinion of F. W. Williamson of Chicago, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and its allied lines. Williamson, who was here for the interstate commerce hearing on the application of the Texas and Pacific Northern to build 333 miles in West Texas, already is interested in a big building program in West Texas. It is the 110 mile line from Childress to Pampa.

Texas U. Students Wanta Leave Dance

AUSTIN, Texas. (P)—The all-university dance committee of the University of Texas has rejected the proposal of the faculty committee on student social affairs that issuance of pass-out checks at university dances be discontinued. The dance committee, in voting down the proposal, said more desirable means could be found to attain the objective.

Southland Greyhound Lines Are Extending

Completing one of the greatest programs of expansion ever launched by a single industry in Texas, the Southland Greyhound lines, operating nearly 3,000 miles of bus lines, makes the final move in the investment of more than \$2,630,000. The large sum was expended in Texas over a period of one year, resulting in one of the largest and most efficient motor transportation systems in the United States and providing further direct boosts for practically every city and community in the form of employment for thousands in operation of the network of lines and for the construction of a string of new and modern stations in eight of the principal terminal points.

SUCH HARD TIMES!

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Ezra Stevens, oil magnate, drove a golf ball into the air. It fell to earth, he knew not where—until he heard Marjorie Cooper groan. His drive had struck her over the heart. It wasn't long after the accident until the two were engaged to be married.

BUTCHER BILL

SAN ANGELO, Texas. (P)—A revised "butcher bill" to protect the herds of sheep, goats and cattle from theft will be introduced in the next session of the legislature. The new bill would seek to make it impossible to market stolen livestock. It is sponsored by the Sheep and Goat Raisers' association.

MOOREHEAD IS FOURTH MAN IN DIST.

Despite the fact the greatest number of school boy football athletes ever named in the history of interscholastic grid sport were selected on honorable mention aggregations this year, only five men were named from District 8 in the Class B rating—and Midland placed four of these.

The all-district backfield selected is formed of three Midland men and one Pecos player, Moorehead. "Buck" Moorehead was the best fullback in the district, without a doubt, but he was selected as a half.

Lloyd Burriss and G. B. Hallman were listed at half and full respectively and Olen Fryar at quarter—a trio of backs that gallop with the best of the Class B company—or with some of the Class A, as Eastland will aver without too much solicitation.

Cy Foster, guard, is the fourth Midland man to be recognized. He was the master of any prayer who faced him in any game this year or last.

The failure of Wilson and Henson of Stanton and Montgomery of Pecos to make the club was remarkable here. All men were flashes for their clubs.

The failure of the picking committee to select Frank Midkiff on the all-district backfield was a surprise to many who have seen the speedster man in the district—unreal many long runs this season.

Fryar was indispensable as a defense back and a quarter; Burriss could really pass and tote the big skin and Hallman was good at defense and at carrying the ball through the line. Midkiff was at his best on long end runs and was not as versatile, possibly, as either of the other backs. He would have been worth more to the club had there been faster men to travel with him.

He had a habit of running off from the Midland backs, fast as they were.

Welfare Group In Need of Shoes

The Midland Welfare association is in particular need of shoes of all ages. Shoes and other personal effects are being repaired and given to the poor as demand is registered. Anything you will give to allay conditions ranging from need to abject poverty may be left at the storeroom of the association, at the old Midland Free Library on West Wall, or you may call Telephone Number 106, the Texas Electric Service company. An automobile will come for your offering.

1931, the same being the 6th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Midland County, in the City 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 T. S. Hogan, L. W. Hickey, D. V. Harrington and West Texas Construction.

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, Texas.

Witness my hand, this 10th day of December 1930.

A. C. FRANCIS, Sheriff Midland County, Texas. By Fisher Pollard, Deputy. Dec. 15, 22, 29.

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 9th day of December 1930, by Nettie C. Romer, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Seventeen Hundred Twenty-five and 99-100 (\$1725.99) dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgment, in favor of Plaintiff in a certain cause in said Court, No. 2371 and styled Terry Elkin vs. L. W. Hickey, et al., placed in my hands for service, I, A. C. Francis, as Sheriff of Midland County, Texas, did, on the 11th day of December 1930, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Midland County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 9, 10 and 11 in Block 67 of the Original Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of T. S. Hogan, L. W. Hickey, D. V. Harrington and West Texas Construction, and that on the first Tuesday in January

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4. Special Wheel Bearing Lubricant A grease that is heat-resistant and does not easily liquefy and flow into the brake mechanism where it can do great damage.	5. Correct Grades of Motor Oil A high grade oil for every type of car and driving condition.	6. Steering Gear Lubricant We use special steering gear lubricant developed to lubricate under terrific pressure.
7. Special Chassis Lubricant For shackle bolts and miscellaneous chassis parts especially designed to cling to frictional bearing surfaces.		

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