

WEST TEXAS: Cloudy and probably showers tonight and Thursday. Warmer in the north and east. Cooler in the extreme west. Cooler in the west and north Thursday.

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Capital is the seed corn of the next harvest.  
—Lord Inchape.

# JOHNSON CASE EVIDENCE STARTS

## Son of Legislator, Wanted for Murder, Traced to Boston

## MOODY CHARGED WITH FAILURE ENFORCE ANTI-TRUST LAWS

### OUTGROWTH PRORATION ARGUMENT

Voluntary Agreement Held by Moody as Violation

AUSTIN, Mar. 25. (UP).—An attempt by Dan Moody to show that oil operators violated anti-trust laws by proration agreements preceding state orders met with the reply that such action was done openly and that Moody, as governor, did not enforce the law.

C. W. Tomlinson testified that proration was done voluntarily in the Howard and Glasscock field to furnish an outlet for small wells three years ago. Opposing counsel said that Moody failed to enforce the law.

#### New Order Pending

Further testimony in proration of Texas oil was offered to the railroad commission of Texas this morning when that body opened the second day of its hearing, preliminary to issuing a new 90-day proration order for the state.

It was indicated that testimony for and against East Texas proration would be reached today. Questioning continued, with opponents attempting to establish that the immediate purpose is to keep the price of oil from declining rather than for preventing waste.

#### "Militants" Remain

The hearing Monday, on being opened, was confined largely to discussion of proration in general rather than of the East Texas field in particular. Hundreds of East Texas citizens, seeking to oppose proration for the field, were in Austin, having been taken there by special trains. Although a number returned to East Texas cities last night, a militant crowd remained with the announced intention of seeing the fight through.

Dan Moody led the attack of East Texans upon proration of the field. R. R. Penh, chairman of the general proration committee, was the chief spokesman for placing regulation upon the various Texas fields. Proration upfairs from West Texas and other fields were chief witnesses in presenting testimony yesterday afternoon.

#### Exempt Marginal Wells

The senate voted yesterday afternoon to pass a bill exempting from proration marginal wells. The vote was 30 to 0. This bill would allow wells of from 10 to 40 barrels and from 2,000 feet or less to 3,000 feet in depth exemption from proration. Exemption of these wells would increase Texas daily production approximately 60,000 barrels, it was estimated.

### Midland Woman Is Preparing Thesis

Mrs. Alma Thomas of Midland, who will receive her master's degree at Texas University in June, is preparing a thesis on "The Social Ecology of the Cattle Ranch in West Texas."

Mrs. Thomas is one of 105 students who will be granted the master's degree by the university in June. Her subject is one of the most practical, as well as technical, listed in a press notice sent out by the university.

The Midland woman has been attending the university of Texas with her two sons, Thalbert and Louis, since resigning a position in the Midland public schools a few years ago. Louis Thomas is managing the ranch west of Odessa this year.

Combining practical ranching experience with technical knowledge gained in her university work, Mrs. Thomas is expected to produce one of the outstanding theses of the class receiving the degree.

### She Got That "Way"



### AUTO IS FOUND IN THAT CITY

#### Hathaway Killed Girl And Fled in a Fast Auto

BOSTON, March 25. (UP).—A wide search for Elliott Hathaway, son of the Massachusetts legislator, on a warrant charging the murder of Verna Russell, 20 year old student nurse, concentrated in Boston today after the discovery this morning of his auto.

The engine of the car was still warm.

Hathaway positively has been identified as the murderer of the nurse.

#### Arrangements Made For Midland Band

Assurance that Midland high school's band can play in Abilene in competing against other high school bands as late as Saturday night, April 18, if it is necessary to play that late, was found in a telephone message to Superintendent W. W. Lackey this morning from Dean D. M. Wiggins of Simmons university.

The dean said that Dewey Wiley, director of the Simmons band, had arranged that judges were to make no decision on band contest winners until the Midland band gets a chance to play.

It was feared here that the Midland band would not be able to play because some of the musicians had to be in the Interscholastic meet at San Angelo that day. Under the allowance, however, Midland musicians may leave San Angelo in time to reach Abilene for a late competition.

In case Midland's band has to play at night, entertainment will be furnished the band by Simmons university free, the message said.

#### Rotarians Expected To "Air" Opinions

Discussion of "What a Rotary Program Should Be," will be the subject at the Rotary luncheon Thursday when the club meets at the Presbyterian church, it was announced today by Dr. W. E. Ryan, chairman of the program committee. George D. McCormick will lead the discussion by outlining an article bearing the same title and written by Dr. Paul W. Horn, president of the Texas Technological college.

Individual members of the club will be allowed time to tell what kinds of programs are most interesting to them. Messrs. R. E. Shad and O. L. Walton will entertain with cornet numbers.

Important announcements are expected to be made at the luncheon and a full attendance is urged, it was announced today.

#### Must Have Job to Remain in School

Unless he gets a job, a Midland high school boy who is a football star, will have to quit school within a few days.

This 16-year-old youth's parents live in Midland, but the boy must have work after school and on Saturdays or he must quite school, he says. He is experienced in grocery and meat markets, and has done other work. He is willing to do anything to make a little money. Any one who can use a boy from 3:30 on the afternoon and on Saturdays will be put in touch with this ambitious boy by calling the Midland chamber of commerce.

### COURT ROOM CROWDED AS THE FIRST COURTESY MEETING IS HELD; GREAT INTEREST MEETS SPEAKERS' TALKS

The first "courtesy meeting" held in Midland was such a success more of the meetings will be held.

"Make more business for Midland business men," as stated by Chairman George D. McCormick, was the keynote of the gathering.

Courtesy expressed in service and general mien gain for Midland the trade of a great area, speakers said. It was pointed out that Midland merchants and business men have the values to offer, and that strict adherence of courtesy in sales methods will guarantee potential buyers returning.

#### Place Crowded

The meeting was held in the county court room. The place was filled to overflowing. Chairs had to be brought in. The judge's bench and the jury box were utilized. Men and women stood around the walls. The court room had never seen such a large crowd.

Chairman McCormick explained the purpose of the meeting, saying it was being held under the auspices of the chamber of commerce, and was designed to infuse a stronger note of optimism into business. He called on various speakers from the representation of business men.

#### Courtesy Stressed

Fred Wemple was first. He spoke of the value of courtesy in business relations, told of Midland's commanding position over a great trade area, recalled some of the incidents of Midland's growth and outlined what the city will find possible to achieve in the future.

Dr. J. W. Beebe, head of the department of geology of the University of Indiana, will speak.

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### ACTION AGAIN IS DELAYED ON ROAD AMENDMENT

AUSTIN, March 25. (UP).—Consideration by the senate of the proposal of the \$200,000,000 state highway bond amendment to the constitution was delayed again today because Wednesday is the regular day for consideration of house bills by the senate.

#### Rain Breaks Into Geologists' Plans

Rain this morning caused Midland geologists indecision as to attendance at the extra session of the West Texas Geological society tonight in San Angelo.

John Adams of the California company planned going in case the roads were not too slippery this afternoon.

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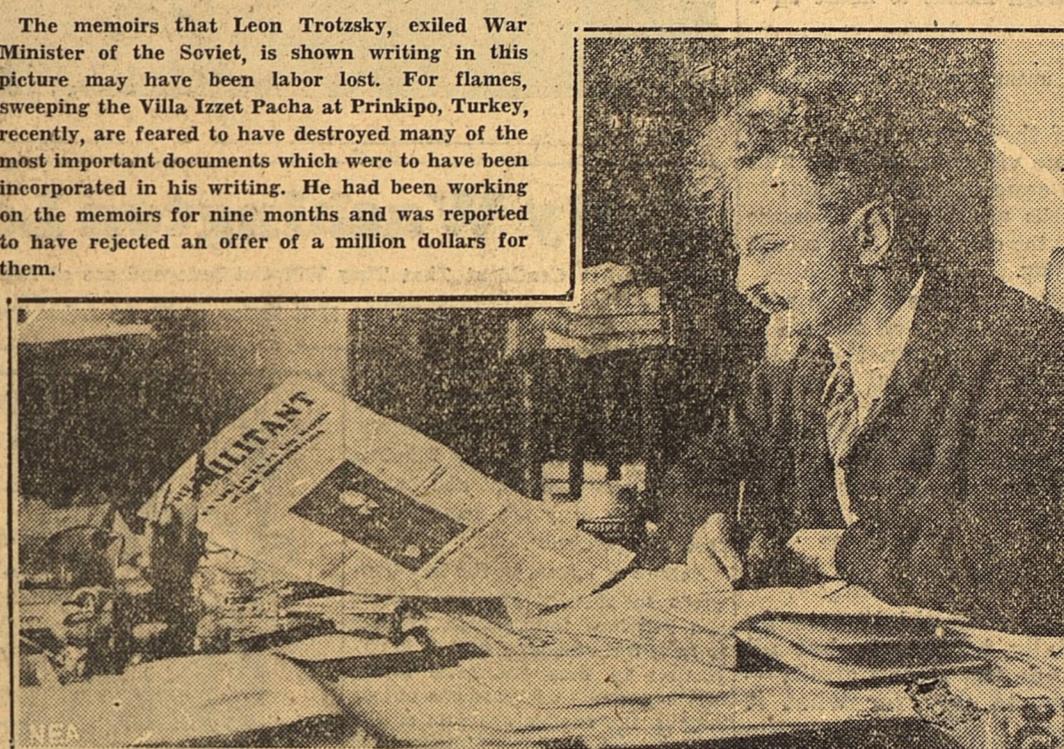
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### Writing Memoirs That Fire May Have Destroyed

The memoirs that Leon Trotsky, exiled War Minister of the Soviet, is shown writing in this picture may have been labor lost. For flames, sweeping the Villa Izzet Pacha at Prinkipo, Turkey, recently, are feared to have destroyed many of the most important documents which were to have been incorporated in his writing. He had been working on the memoirs for nine months and was reported to have rejected an offer of a million dollars for them.



### ARMY AIRMEN TO MAKE MIDLAND WORK CENTER

#### Lieutenants H. G. Peterson and E. F. Maughan

Lieutenants H. G. Peterson and E. F. Maughan from the office of the Chief of Air Corps at Washington, spent Tuesday night at Midland and will return to Midland within about six weeks for a stay of nearly two months. They will use Midland as a central point from which to do airway map checking. The two officers will make the Midland Army airport their chief focal point from which to conduct surveys.

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#### Debates Judged at County Court House

Debates of the county interscholastic meet to be held here Friday and Saturday of this week, will be judged in the county court room, and the track and field meet will be held at the old fair grounds, County School Superintendent M. R. Hill said this morning.

It is hoped a big crowd will attend the two-day meet.

#### Thomas Reports Chancellor Better

Dr. John B. Thomas, on his return from Roswell this morning, reported his friend, W. R. Chancellor, slightly improved. The former Midland banker was stricken with a heart attack Friday and at one time was thought that he would not recover. Hopes for his improvement were higher on last report.

Burial will be in Maryland within the next few days.

Mrs. Muirhead has visited in Midland numerous times and well known.

#### PLANS COMPLETED FOR LIONS EASTER EGG HUNT; MANY PRIZES ARE OFFERED

Complete plans have been made

by the Midland Lions club for its

annual Easter egg hunt, which will

be staged this Easter afternoon at

3 o'clock in the pasture north of

the J. E. Hill place on West Illinois street.

One unique feature of the hunt

this year is that every school child

in Midland county will be invited,

whereas only children of the city

schools have been invited in the

past.

More than 100 dozen eggs will be

hidden by the Midland boy scouts

under the direction of Lion A. A. Clark.

There will be 105 prizes offered

to finders of the lucky eggs. Lion Chas. Berry is chairman of the prize committee and he was assisted by Lions M. E. Miller and A. E. Horst.

The complete list of merchants

who are offering prizes will be pub-

lished this week, and it is pointed out that it will be wise to save this list so that children will know what prizes they win.

#### Eggs Marked Plainly

The egg committee is headed by Lion J. S. Noland and plans for the purchase and coloring of the eggs have been made. The committee that arranged the place of the big hunt was headed by Lion Harry L. Haught.

Prize winning eggs will be marked distinctly as to where to take the egg for the prize, according to Lion Noland. Children will be asked to look carefully for the winning eggs and take them to the merchants who are giving prizes.

Announcement and invitation to the school children will be made this week by Lions M. F. Peters, J. A. Thrower and James P. Harrison, who comprise the publicity committee.

T. A. Ohlhausen of McCamey who

was largely instrumental in securing

the block of land which made

(See CRANE WILDCAT page 6)

### FIFTY TO TESTIFY IN CASE

Father Shoots Man Who Had Attended His Daughter

BEAUMONT, March 25. (UP).—A crowded courtroom greeted A. B. Johnson, 40, teaming contractor, as he took a seat in the district courtroom this morning on the first day of testimony, so long awaited by Beaumont and Port Arthur residents.

Fifty witnesses were called. Testimony is expected to bring out events of the suicide of Elizabeth Johnson, 17, the defendant's daughter, heretofore shrouded with mystery.

#### Williams May Talk

Robert Williams, once charged with murdering the girl, but now freed, was expected to "tell all" concerning the argument with the girl over her relations with Ott

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**WARNING! QUACK REMEDIES AHEAD**

(Merle Thorpe, in Nation's Business)

It is commonly observed that the chief product of the depression is a flood of prescriptions, most of which provide for some form of government action. In our zeal to accomplish desirable ends, we lose sight of what government really is. We fail to remember that it is a device which collects about one-sixth of our earnings, and expends them wastefully because of the natural inhibitions of political administration.

Instead, we build up a fictitious demigod, a survival of the capitalistic fetish that "Government" (always spelled with a capital by Washington) is endowed by divine right with a super-natural power and wisdom.

As a result, when "something ought to be done," the length and breadth and depth of our resourcefulness and imagination is "by the government."

Muddled thinking is the rule. A sample comes to mind. A group of earnest young men sends out a "brief for state unemployment insurance systems that half the cost to be paid by the federal government." The arguments set forth, among others things, that

America is the only nation with enough income to insure all a comfortable living.

And further on:

Seventeen nations now have public unemployment insurance for 48 million workers.

No one can deny the truth of those statements. But should they not be reversed with no violence to logic and perhaps with more accuracy as to conclusion, like this:

Although 17 other nations have public unemployment insurance for 48 million workers, yet America is the only nation with enough income to insure all a comfortable living.

If we alone are so well off, there must be a basic reason. Social progress there has been, the envy of the elder nations. But such progress has been made on the truly hard-pan American principle, namely, that social progress cannot proceed faster than material progress.

Not so long ago Australia was held up by idealists as a shining example of what government should do in taking over the personal responsibilities of its citizens—from running their businesses to doctoring them when they are sick. But Australia is bankrupt today, and those who applauded its social program then now ignore the havoc wrought by a misguided paternalism.

There are many things social we would like to do quickly—Americans are proverbially impatient—but all such undertakings must depend upon the state's ability—which is the individual's ability—to pay for what it wants.

Government, like the individuals whose composite it is, must pick and choose from innumerable projects which press upon its benevolence, if those who ultimately must pay are to preserve their own economic independence and ability to pay.

No solvent state can be built upon a bankrupt citizenry.

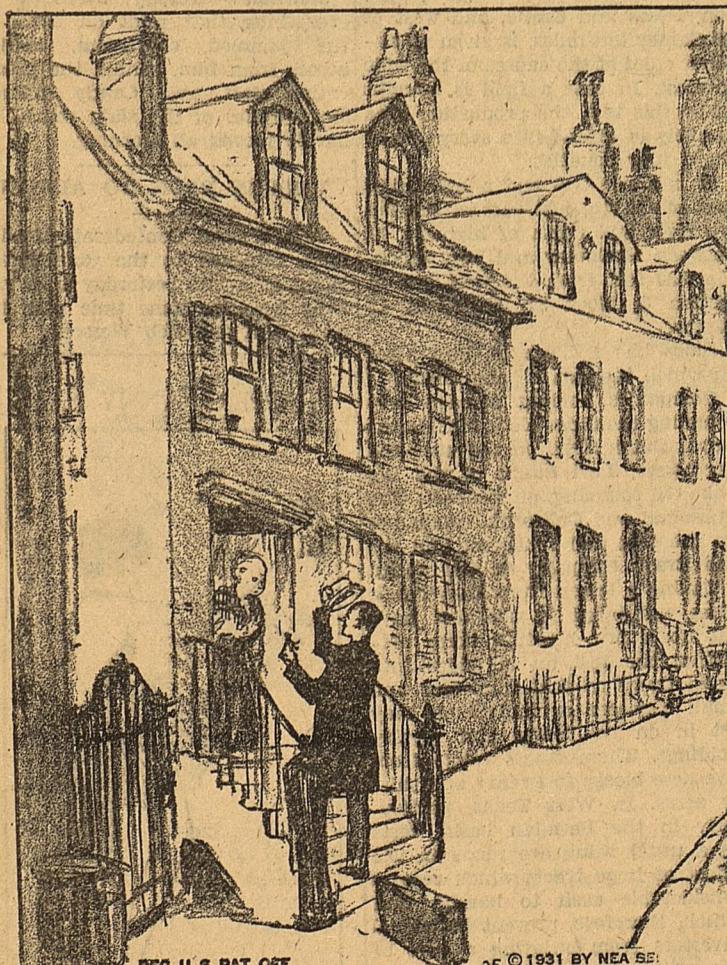
But there is a higher principle involved.

One would think from the welter of paternalistic proposals that all had agreed that the price we pay for individual liberty is too great, that we must be protected against ourselves. The hazards of failure are to be taken away, but at a price—with them are to go the chances of success.

The road we have come was paved with a different philosophy. We built an organized society with guarantees that membership on its different levels is determined solely by individual initiative. We have not said to our young men and women, "Don't be concerned, the State will take care of you." We have said to them, "Go into business, or the professions, or politics; accept the hazards, make sacrifices of time and brain and energy, do the best you can for yourself. Your reward will be the full measure of your contribution."

They are free to choose their careers, and because of that we are known as a progressive people.

These principles leap from the bright pages of the nation's history. As the laudable search is continued to promote social welfare, there should be care not to subsidize idleness, destroying incentive; not to complicate by bureaucratic and paternalistic schemes the free play of individual responsibility, which is the natural off-spring of individual opportunity.

**Side Glances . . . . . by Clark**

"Good morning, ma'am. I'm demonstrating this little can opener which will absolutely modernize your home."

**REAL "Signs" of Spring We Hope to See!****Daily Washington Letter** *By Rodney Dutcher*

Filipinos Are Confident That They Will Get Independence at Next Congress—Westerners Favor Plan as

It Would Halt Influx of Cheap Labor From the Islands

WASHINGTON, March 24.—While a lot of other people worry and wonder about the next Congress and its uncertainties, the Filipinos appear to be confident and happy. They think they are going to get their independence.

Failure of efforts in the last Congress to restrict Filipino exports and Filipino immigration appears to have demonstrated that it is impossible to keep the little brown brethren and their products out as long as the islands are part of the United States. The Filipinos have argued all along that the only way to achieve those objectives is to give them an independent status, which would make them subject to our tariff and immigration laws.

Now they believe that, with the pressure of various interests which have supported exclusion and restriction measures, the greatly strengthened Democratic contingent in both houses of the 72d Congress will be ready to vote independently.

Democrats Favor Change

In the last two presidential years the Democratic platform pledged the party "to keep our promise to these (Filipino) people by granting them immediately the independence which they so honorably covet."

The Democrats will have hardly less than a majority in either house and many Republicans, both Progressive and regular, also favor independence.

The most widely discussed independence measure in the last Congress, and one which will be up against in the next, was the Hawes-Cutting bill. This would impose a graduated tariff on the Philippines for the next five years and then let them have a plebiscite to vote their own independence. Many leaders of the independence group in Congress prefer not to plunge the islands into complete freedom without some preparation.

Moncado Is Leader

Dr. Milaro Camino Moncado, president of the Filipino Federation of America, blossomed out during the congressional season as the big Filipino independence leader in this country. Long, lean and energetic, dressing in the height of fashion and wearing spats and cane, Moncado is regarded by many of his followers as a sort of Messiah and some of them talk of him as the first president of "the first Christian Republic of the Orient."

Dr. Moncado came on here with the idea of blocking attempts to bar Filipino immigrants and talked to about a hundred members of Congress, mapping out anti-exclusion and independence plans especially.

Unpopular on West Coast

"Still the Filipinos will come! For

every Filipino murdered, a hundred,

or a thousand, or many thousands,

will come. Those now here feel like

they are on the firing line for their

country's freedom. They rightly believe that the more of them that are here, the quicker will come their independence."

Anyway, there is something to

Moncado's argument that the Filipinos are speeding the day of independence by making themselves

and their exports increasingly un-

popular in the United States. Fil-

ipino laborers on the coast, with

cheap living standards, have re-

aroused the old feeling that used to

be directed against Chinese and

Japanese. Domestic sugar produc-

ers, competing with mounting duty-

free Filipino sugar exports, have

joined with dairy groups concerned

with the coconut oil-oleomargarine problem, cotton and their interests in sentiment for independence.

Moncado's federation predicts that the congressional delegations from the Pacific Coast states will be solidly for independence when Congress meets.

He predicted that the states of California, Oregon and Washington, which have been objecting more and more strenuously to immigration from the islands, would get more and more Filipinos as long as the 13,000,000 of them remained under the flag of the United States.

He protested persecution and killings of Filipinos in California and Washington and declared belligerently:

"We go to paint nice park-

lines on a hundred city blocks, making it convenient for every fly-er in the country to get up to the curb; but when enough cowpunchers to move 1,700 head of steers to the stock pens hit town at once, they can't find places within a half

miles of each other where all of the ponies can be hitched.

Negotiations are under way today

whereby we hope to have some good

solid pipe, somewhere from an inch

and a quarter to two-inch. The more

pipe we can get, the longer the hitch-

rack will be. After that,

all we will need will be somebody

to erect the hitching rack, and if

some carpenter, plumber or black-

smith doesn't make this offer at

an early date, we have eleven head

of typesetters, copy chasers and "ad-

takers?" who can do the job in some

manner.

When a town like Midland, in the

heart of the great cow country, founded and carried on by cattle-

men, and right now depending on them for a great share of the town's

livelihood, loses sight of the fact

that cowpunchers need something to

tie their ponies to, the town is tak-

ing a backward step.

Here we go and paint nice park-

lines on a hundred city blocks, making it convenient for every fly-er in the country to get up to the curb; but when enough cowpunchers to move 1,700 head of steers to the stock pens hit town at once, they can't find places within a half

miles of each other where all of the ponies can be hitched.

Now, on top of that, Raymond

Lawrence, who rules the roost down at Rockwell Bros. Co., has agreed to donate the posts, bridle new and

sound from top to bottom.

Lynn Butler, who can't stand to

see a post set in the ground with

nothing to hold it but tamped dirt,

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## SOCIAL NEWS PAGE FOR WOMEN

**Easter Colors and Designs Favored In Smart Affairs for Bridge Clubs And Several Out-of-Town Visitors**

Outstanding on the Tuesday social calendar were two pretty club affairs and two "in honor" parties given for visitors in the city.

Easter decorations and spring blossoms gave an interesting note to the smart parties given for the Edelweiss and Entre Nous clubs during the afternoon and evening.

Mrs. John Shipley was hostess to the Edelweiss club, selecting as the feature the Easter motif and Iris as floral decorations. The motif was stressed in green and yellow tints in the table covers, bridge markers and cuiseine.

Attractive prize favors were won by Mrs. W. R. Lake, guest, Mrs. A. B. Cooksey, high club, and Mrs. John Dublin, high cut.

Guests were Mrs. Guy Mitchell of Dallas and Mrs. Lake; members present were Mimes, Hayden Miles, A. S. Legg, Foy Proctor, Tom Nance, J. M. Speed, John Dublin, Roy Parks, Harvey Sloan, Henry Wolcott, A. B. Cooksey, E. H. Ellison, W. O. Pelphey, Misses Lois Patterson, Juliette Wolcott, Thelma White and Leon McCormick.

**Miss Thelma White Has Club for Bridge**

Spring colors in Easter designs lent an attractive feature to the Entre Nous party at the home of Miss Thelma White.

Miss Fannie Bess Taylor played high among the club and Mrs. Beulah Hiler high among the guests. Mrs. Ed Dawson cut high for a favor.

At tea time, pretty party plates were passed to Mrs. Alredge Estes, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Cottch Weyman, Mrs. Hiler, Misses Fannie Bess and Cordelia Taylor, Lotta Williams, and Juliette Wolcott.

**Oklumgee Visitors Guests at Dinner Party**

A dinner party at the home of Mrs. E. Russell Lloyd during the evening complimented Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Lee of Muskogee, Oklahoma, who are house guests this week.

A spring scene arranged with tulips and narcissus centering the table and further appointed with green tapers, made a pretty setting for the dinner.

In the bridge games which followed, Mrs. Alden Donnelly received high favor for women and Mr. H. S. Forgeron, high for men.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hendrickson, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Donnelly, Mrs. A. S. Legg, Mr. H. S. Forgeron and Mr. and Mrs. Lee.

**Mr. and Mrs. Rush Of Big Spring Honored**

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rush of Big Spring were honor guests at the home of her sister, Mrs. Iva M. Noyes, who entertained with three tables of bridge Tuesday evening.

Tallies and score books harmonized in the Easter motif and pastel shades were also favored in the party service.

Mr. James S. Noland won highest score prize and Mrs. J. J. Kelly, lowest prize.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Noland, Mrs. Harvey Brooks of Rankin, Dr. D. K. Ratliff, Al Groeble of Rankin and the honor guests.

**Black Skies Bring White Raincoats**



White raincoats are the smartest thing young folks, and older, can wear when skies are dark this spring. Two of the new models are made of rubberized lustrous white broadcloth, accented with black buttons and collars. (Left) The long rain-cape, reminiscent of the good old army nurses capes, is a new spring feature for adults. This one has a scarf collar of black and a white umbrella with black handle and spokes to match up. (Right) The popular trench coat type of raincoat is ever popular with young and old. This one, gleaming white, has shiny black buttons, belt and collar.

### Garden Fancies

What to Plant  
How to Plant  
When to Plant  
What Some Are  
Planting Now



Rose Kincaid Given Party on Seventh Birthday

A group of little friends of Rose Kincaid gathered at her home at the Gulf tank farm Tuesday afternoon to celebrate her seventh birthday. The honoree's mother, Mrs. L. L. Kincaid, supervised the afternoon round of games, which were played out-of-doors.

The chief interest of the afternoon centered around the Easter egg hunt.

Ice cream and cake were served and clever Easter favors were given to Melba Nixon, Mary Helen Walker, Harriett Dean Harris, Frances Lynn Meeks, Winnie McCormick, Dorothy Pearl Hurst, Billy McGrew, Billy Meeks, Bobby Walker, Frank Nixon, Ernest Fred McCormick, Brown Junior Lipscomb, Herschell Savage, Jack Kenney and Buddy Kincaid.

### Ladies' Aid Society Plans Larger Program

Fifteen members attended the weekly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society at the home of Mrs. Ida Wolcott Tuesday evening.

The afternoon was spent in copying quilt patterns and making plans for other work.

The horned toad, which is a popular name for a variety of horned lizard, has the power of ejecting fine jets of reddish fluid from the corner of its eyes.

Those attending were Mimes, Gertrude Cantalou, Curtis Bond, Hugh Hines, W. F. Heil, O. L. Jones, Smith, C. D. George, J. J. Mills, Lewis Bewley, Paul Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

J. M. Speed left the latter part of last week with his father, J. S. Speed Sr. of Andrews for Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Jones of Brownfield are guests in the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. F. Heil.

The successful bidder must furnish bond for fifty per cent (50%)

of the sum bid, on the attached form, from a responsible surety company satisfactory to the commissioners court.

The county reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding local conditions.

Bids shall be based on the State Highway Department's paying one-third (1/3) and Midland County and the City of Midland's paying the remainder in warrants.

Proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file at the office of the County Judge, and of Montgomery & Ward, Consulting Engineers, Wichita Falls, Texas, or may be secured upon deposit of Five (\$5.00) Dollars, to be returned to the Con-

tractor on submission of a bona fide bid on the work with such plans and specifications; or upon returning such plans and specifications immediately after examination of same and advising the Engineer that bid will not be submitted; otherwise the deposit shall be forfeited.

Approximate Quantities Are:

99.0 cubic yards Rock Excavation  
19,873.6 square yards Earth Excavation  
19,878.6 square yards Reinforced Concrete Pavement.  
M. R. Hill, County Judge.

Mar. 8-15-22 April 1-8-15-22

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE HAPPY PARENTS



Easter Cards Will Be Sold by South Ward P. T. A.

Easter greeting cards will be sold by the South Ward P. T. A., according to plans made at a call business meeting at the school yesterday afternoon.

Intense interest was shown in the business meeting by more than 20 women attending and other plans were discussed as to ways of raising funds.

Announcements were made of the bridge tournament which will be held Saturday afternoon at the Petroleum building.

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable M. R. Hill, judge of the county of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the county

judge until 10:00 A. M., April 23, 1931, for furnishing all necessary materials, equipment and labor for

constructing certain street improvements in the City of Midland, Tex-

as, on State Highway No. 1 from the present pavement on Front Street to the East City Limit line and from

the present pavement on Wall street to the West City Limits.

Bidders must submit certified check in the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars, payable without recourse to the order of M. R. Hill, county judge, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into the contract and execute bond in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required check will not be considered.

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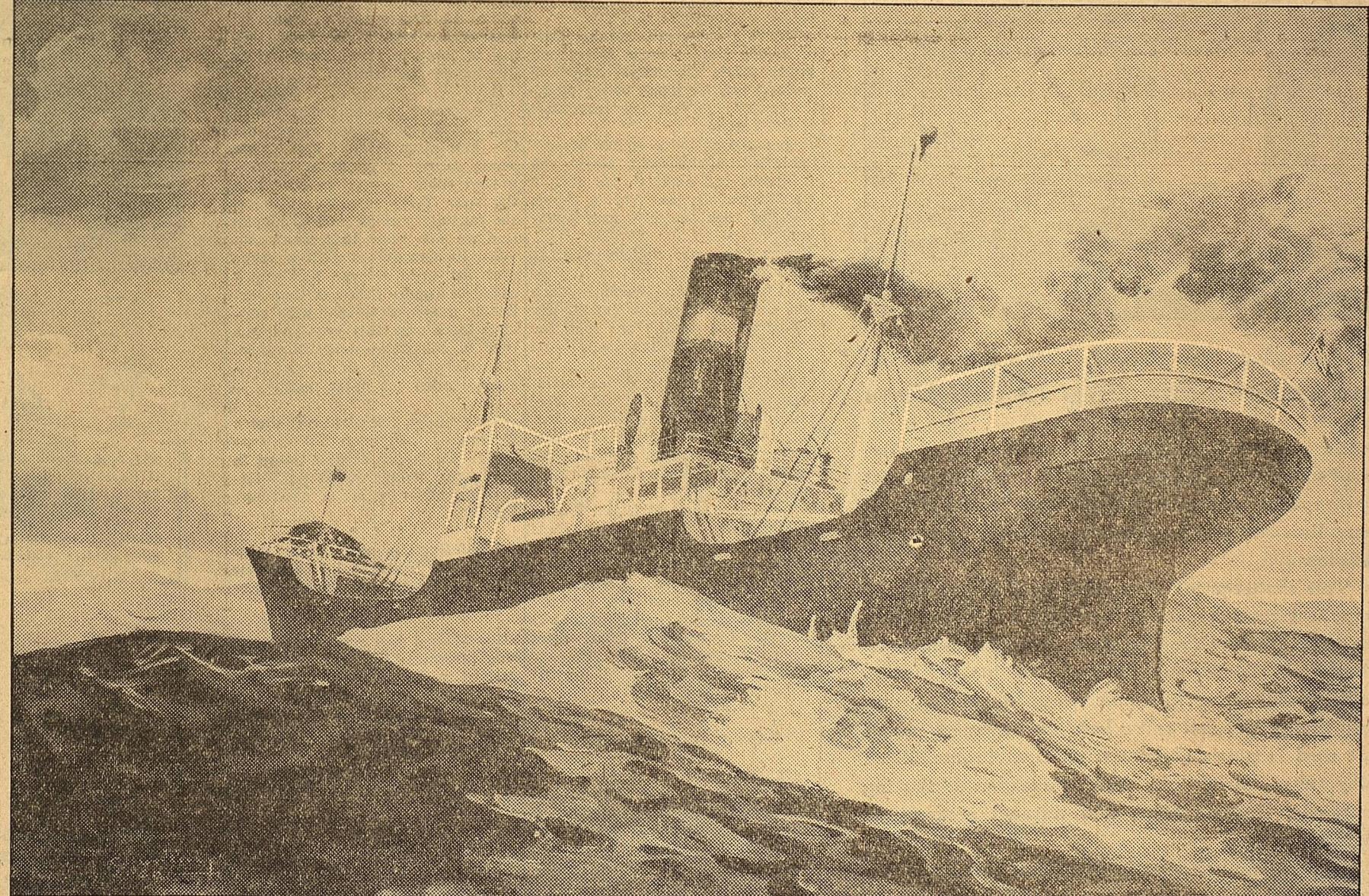
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They Satisfy —that's Why!

FOR NINETEEN years, our Research Department has kept intimate touch with every new development of Science that could be applied to the manufacture of cigarettes. During this period there has been no development of tested value or importance to the smoker which we have not incorporated into the making of Chesterfield cigarettes.

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

White raincoats are the smartest thing young folks, and older, can wear when skies are dark this spring. Two of the new models are made of rubberized lustrous white broadcloth, accented with black buttons and collars. (Left) The long rain-cape, reminiscent of the good old army nurses capes, is a new spring feature for adults. This one has a scarf collar of black and a white umbrella with black handle and spokes to match up. (Right) The popular trench coat type of raincoat is ever popular with young and old. This one, gleaming white, has shiny black buttons, belt and collar.

Smith Umberson made a business trip to Odessa Tuesday afternoon.

# COLLINS SEEKS BASE HITS TO BLAST BOSTON FROM BASEMENT

**BATTERYMEN GOOD  
BUT NEED IS  
HITTERS**

By WILLIAM BRAUCHER  
NEA Service Sports Editor.

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 25.—In the last nine years the best that the Boston Red Sox have done in the American League was to finish seventh.

That was in one year, 1924, when the White Sox managed to beat the Bostonians in a headlong plunge for the basement. In eight out of the last nine years the Red Sox have wound up in undisputed possession of last place. The record is rather unusual!

That ought to give you a pretty good idea of what John "Shauno" Collins is tackling in his first year as manager of an alleged big league ball team. The problem that Collins, 26 years a ball player, faces, looks like about a dozen bunkers on the putting green, but if you think "Shauno" is shaken by it you don't know that guy!

With the same ambition and earnestness that "Shauno" brought to baseball when as a kid, he started playing ball on the sandlots of Charlestown, Mass., in 1900, he has "moved in" as manager of the strangest team known in baseball. The task ahead of him is tremendous and he knows it, but he is taking it in his stride.

"I gotta get some hittin'!" he told me the other day on the field at Pensacola. "I just have to!"

Only two of the Red Sox, good and true, hit above .300 last year. That was one of the chief reasons why the team was the worst batting club in the league. One of these charming fellows was Earl Webb, who knocked the apple around for .323. The other was Bill Sweeney, who hit .309.



Add to that: Hard luck! Gene Rye, the kid outfielder from Chicago, who hit .367 for dear old Waco last year, broke his wrist in two places stumbling across first base and will be out of it for a couple of weeks at least.

Though Rye, who is of the Shires type, says his wrist will knit rapidly enough to let him play in the opener, April 14, it may be weeks later before the Waco Waller gets in any good licks against American League pitching. When he does, however, he looks to be the kind of lad who would knock several pitchers into a row of intelligence tests. Cocky? Yes. But game to the

core and a smart ball player.

"Well, you see what I got," Collins told me when I interviewed him here in the hotel. "Sweeney and Webb are the only established hitters the club has. Sweeney probably will alternate at first for a while with Al Van Camp, who hit .344 for Des Moines last season. Both are right-handed hitters and throwers.

"At second we have Bobby Reeves,

of course, who hit only .217 last year, and this Mary Olson who came up from the semi-pros and looks like a hitter. I'd sure like to develop a .300 hitter at second base."

Marquardt, at short, from Nashville, I believe he'll hit. And he fields beautifully. Then Rabbit Warstler looks pretty fast around there (Warstler hit only .185 last year for the Red Sox).

"For a while, at least, I'm going to use Jack Rothrock at third. He's an outfielder, but he plays pretty good around the sack. We have Hal Rhine in the infield, too, and if he picks up a few points in hitting, he may make it. (Rhine hit .203 last year.)

"We've got a great catching staff in Muddy Ruel, Charley Berry and young Eddie Connolly. And we couldn't ask for much better pitching than we got last year from most of the regulars.

"I'm looking for a couple of left-handers from the rooks. Maybe Jim Brillhart will make it. He won 18 for Minneapolis last year. A couple of other rook sou'paws look pretty fair.

"You know our outfield, Scarritt plays that banked outfield in Boston like a goat. And Webb, he'll hit and field for anybody. Tom Oliver looked pretty good, I am told, the first time around the league last year, and then they started to get to him. But I want to see him under first before I decide. I think Rye will hit for us. Winsett, from Mobile, ought to hit for us, too. McSwain, from Mobile, and this kid Lucas, from McCook, Nebraska, ought to hit for us.

"Tell you what—I'm just hoping to find some hitters among these boys. If they hit they stick. You know we've got the pitchers, MacPayden, Lisenbee, Morris, Gaston and Russell—and those boys are plenty good—lost a lot of games last year by one run. That's what I am supposed to correct.

"If these kids will just hit for us! That's it! Will they?

#### PEACE TRUCE OPPOSED

CALCUTTA, India, (UPI).—A new outburst against the leadership of the Mahatma M. K. Gandhi in the Nationalist congress party and against his peace truce with the British government occurred Monday at a meeting of extremists.

#### Run-Down, Weak Nervous?

To have plenty of firm flesh and the ability to do a big day's work and feel "like a two-year-old" at night, you must eat three good meals a day, relish your food and properly digest it. If you can't eat, can't sleep, can't work, just give Tanlac the chance to do for you what it has done for millions.

Mrs. Fred Westin, of 387 E. 57th St., North, Portland, Ore., says: "Tanlac cured my stomach trouble completely after three years of suffering. It built me up to perfect health, with a gain of 27 lbs. That was two years ago, and I still enjoy the best of health."

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## SPORTS REPORTS

Locked this morning like golfers this afternoon would be good ornaments for street corners and hotel lobbies. Rain was pelting down in temperamental moments, drizzling at others. The sports-greens committee reports, however, that it looks like the ladder will be filled by Sunday if the weather permits. The course was full of golfers yesterday, and the air full of golf balls. Every green had its knot of putting players and every teeing off place had a foursome sitting idly by while a couple went through Al Loskamp and Billy Walsh turned in their cards for the first nine of the 18-hole qualifying round, bringing up the total number of qualified golfers to 17. The others will turn in their scores later in the week, trying to improve their score before getting on the ladder.

The greens, under the personal touch of Keeper Bascom Terry, are like ball room floors. Fast. One wants plenty of pitch on his approach shots or over he goes into the trap. Terry says he will mow the fairways just as soon as he can find an idle mule that won't run when he approaches with a bridle over his arm. George McCormick called to inquire if any of that particular brand of animal were running loose over this way and was told to telephone Andy Norwood. He caught a mule in Shorty Holster's garden the other night.

Incidentally, Arch Thomas shot a 46 yesterday afternoon and one earlier in the week. He didn't turn in his scores. Wonder what Arch figures on shooting for a qualifying score?

M. M. Seymour has been out three times. Still having a bit of trouble with his drives. Shot a 52 yesterday.

Playground ball may be stopped this afternoon by rain, or so it seemed in the middle of the morning. Conrad Bonner of the laundrymen hit the only homer of yesterday's engagement, although Sam Warren of the newspaper cleared the sacks with a well-directed double at the right time. The newspaper won, 7-6.

This department received a peppy letter this morning, written in column style. It deals with baseball in the City league, and is herewith reproduced. And the scribe suggests

that this department furnish the score book for the league. It will cheerfully do this, and needs only to order the book and come around with the bill. This department will be glad to pay it. Here is the letter:

"No word has been received so far as to a sixth team to round out an even number of contestants for the City Baseball League. The five clubs already entered are signing players daily, but there are plenty of unknowns who are still watching. Midland is a natural baseball town and will get behind its favorites, everyone will pull for a home-town boy, and never has it passed up a stranger in its midst. The latest recruit, signed by one of Clinic basketball and tennis fame, was out Tuesday and sure has an arm. The latest rumor is that Fred Turner of the Chevrolet company is to get behind a sixth team to be known as the 'Turners'—and a right good idea. The auto service men could round out a real likely outfit."

"Once a baseball player, but if you have not been active for the last few years take it easy at first. All know that, but do not practice it. If you are in need of exercise, no better medium is offered that a regular workout with any of the City league teams at Cowden park.

"Next Monday night is when final details will be completed and opening day is scheduled for the first Sunday in May. Plenty of time left for recruiting and practice. Let's hear from one more group of individuals.

"Midland baseball enthusiasts will be interested in learning that Ralph Bucy, city engineer, has agreed to act in the capacity of umpire for several City league baseball games this summer. His name, together with three others, was handed in at last Monday's meeting and was

agreed to everybody. Capable officials are much needed for all City league games and the city engineer comes highly recommended."

"Midland supporters of basketball turned out in no small numbers during the season just passed, and baseball fans will do likewise if the baseball season gets under way. Baseball is the national pastime of the American people. Everyone with an ounce of sporting blood stops to watch even a sand lot game."

"Carroll Hill, star heaver of the Bushers, was the 'Will Rogers' of last Monday's meeting. Several times, his humor, mixed with constructive suggestions, ended otherwise lengthy controversy, as his mound ability has ended several games."

"Elmer Bizzell, major domo of the Pleasant View nine is a native Midland Texan, and has fourteen others aligned with him. His belief is that a game along about four, five or six o'clock on Saturday would draw quite a crowd of supporters. How about some comment

"Harry Tolbert and Chas. Berry have offered their services in any capacity—so what more could one ask?"

"J. C. 'Peek' Cunningham, recently bought himself a pair of capable looking willows and remarked,

"These ought to get the job done. He doesn't have to hit 'em very far either, because his feet are doubtless the fastest of the Oilers or in the league for that matter."

#### FAMILIAR FLYER BACK

A familiar voice answered at the airport.

"Hello, what's the good news?"

The reporter admitted he had called to get an answer to the same question. "Who are you?" he asked.

"Your voice sounds familiar."

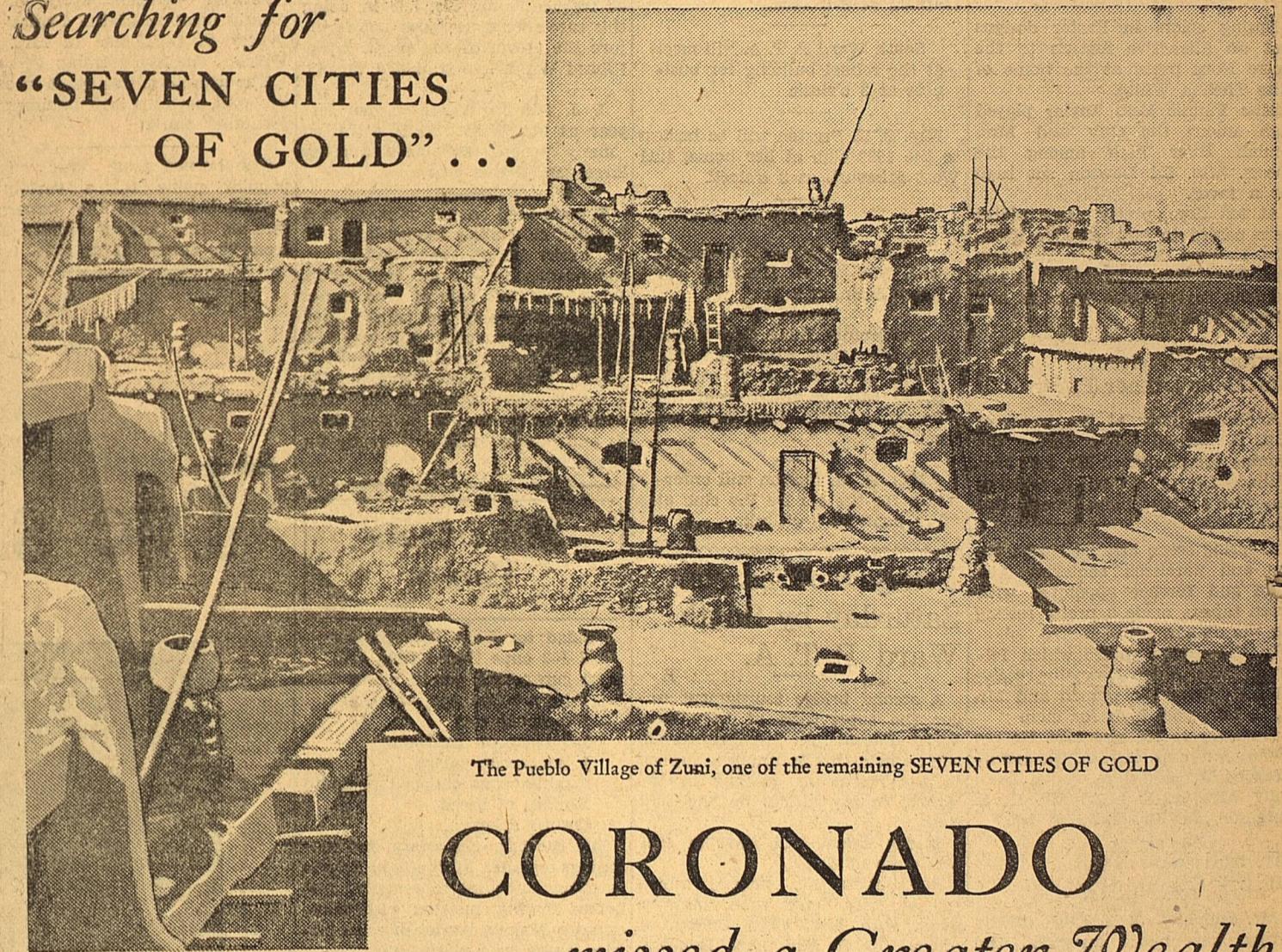
"Yep, it should be; I'm Chester Bailes. Flying through to the west coast."

Bailes used to fly the daily Lockheed-Vega from Midland to Sweetwater. A crack-up in Sweetwater ended the flying service.

He is now with the Braniff Flying service, flying the Oklahoma City to Chicago leg.

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## CORONADO missed a Greater Wealth

DETAILED in 1541 by the Viceroy of Mexico to search for the "Seven Cities of Gold", believed to be located somewhere in the vicinity of the territory now occupied by New Mexico and Arizona, Captain Francisco Vasquez de Coronado was the second white man to enter the Southwest.

Had he but known, riches far beyond the fabled wealth of his "Seven Cities" lay beneath his feet. Not in the yellow gold he sought, but in a black liquid which for millions of years had lain in stagnant pools deep in the bowels of the earth. His quest for the yellow metal that had lured mankind since before recorded history proved an imp of disappointment. But the hardships and privations he had suffered were not to be in vain . . . for Coronado had pioneered the way to a land that was fated to prosper and grow rich through agriculture and the discovery of petroleum.

The growth of New Mexico closely parallels that of its Southwestern neighbors. A single generation has seen a miracle unfold before its eyes. Oil, like the touch of Midas, has wrought riches and wealth wherever it appeared. But unlike the touch of Midas, it has brought prosperity, progress and happiness beyond the most vivid dreams of Coronado.

As the pioneer refining company of the Southwest, the Magnolia Petroleum

Company has done much to harness the great wealth over which Coronado unknowingly trod in quest of a golden rainbow. Since 1898, when the first refinery in the Southwest was opened at Corsicana, Texas, Magnolia has served every need for petroleum products, from the kerosene that lit the homes of early settlers to the highly refined gasoline and motor oil required by the present-day motor car.

Two of the "Seven Cities of Gold" that prompted Coronado's expedition still occupy their sixteenth century sites, and their picturesque people still ply the primitive arts of a civilization far older than Columbus. But the water of the hills, garnered for the thirsty soil and petroleum, recently discovered in New Mexico, continue to create a new wealth more potent and dependable than all the metals wrenched from the ground by enslaved Indians.

Nowhere else do ancient and modern civilization elbow each other in such amity, each lending color to the other. The delighted tourist who travels in his modern motor car, where once the Conquistadores and the Missionaries gave their lives in exploration, finds his way blazed by smooth, perfect highways . . . his pleasure, convenience and safety assured by a trail of Magnolia Service Stations.

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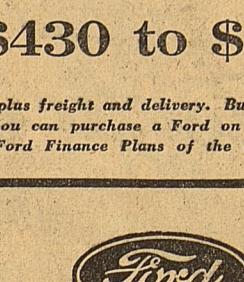
This shatter-proof glass windshield is just one of many features that make the new Ford a value far above the price. Others are the silent, fully enclosed four-wheel brakes, sturdy steel body construction, four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers, more than twenty ball and roller bearings, extensive use of fine steel forgings, aluminum pistons, chrome silicon alloy valves, torque-tube drive, three-quarter floating rear axle, Rustless Steel, and unusual accuracy in manufacturing.

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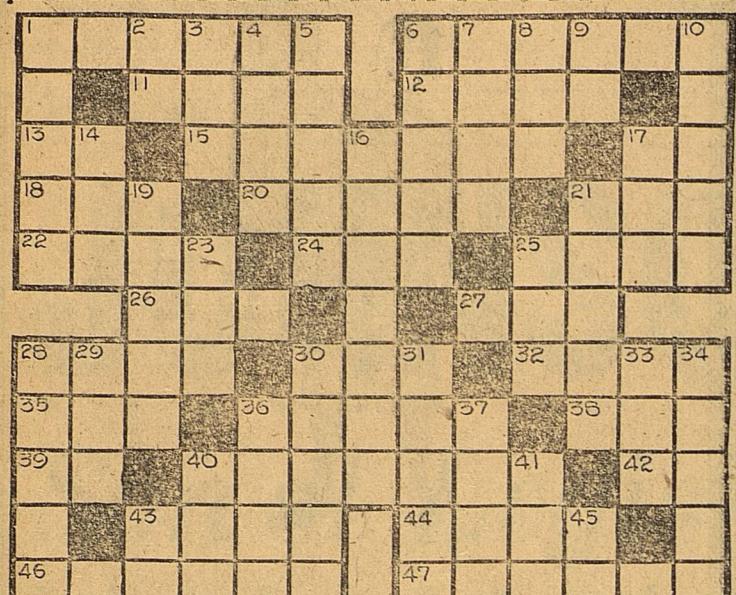
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## Question on Identity



**HORIZONTAL**

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- 40 What is the 6 Perfumes.
- DO-X?
- 11 Prima donna.
- 42 Type measure.
- 12 On the lee.
- 43 Mud.
- 13 Virginia.
- 44 God of love.
- 15 Religious meeting.
- 46 Exchanged.
- 17 Minor note.
- 18 To annoy.
- 20 Valued.
- 21 Taro paste.
- 22 To depart by boat.
- 24 Boy.
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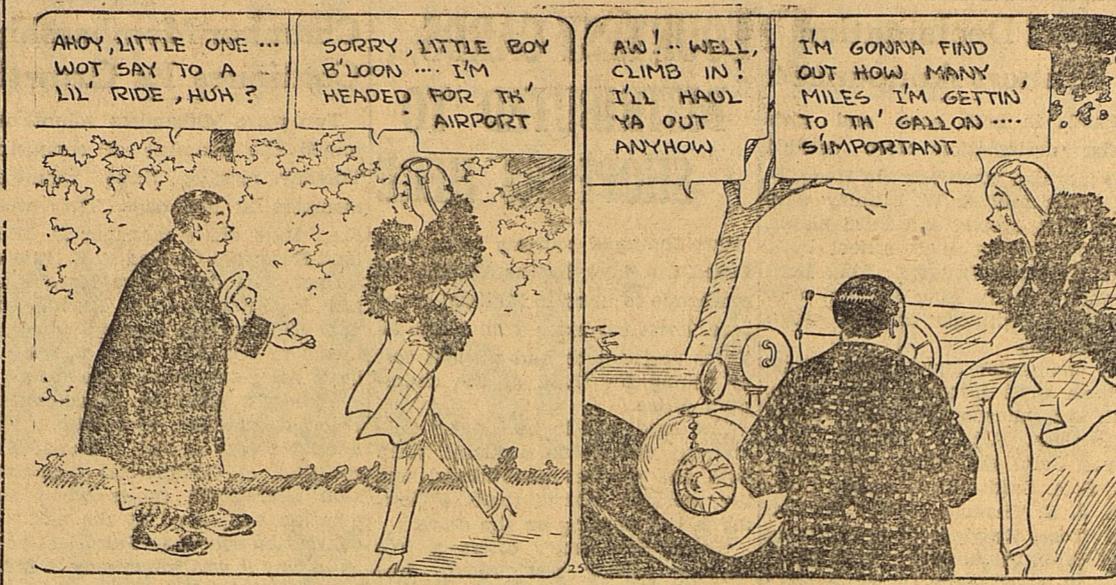
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- 4 To affirm.
- 5 Premier of France.
- 6 Rescued.
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- 8 Snaky fish.
- 9 Northeast.
- 10 Spot.
- 14 Constellation.
- 15 Type of print.
- 16 Card game.
- 17 Air toy.
- 18 Energy.
- 21 Energy.
- 22 Kindled.
- 23 Witticism.
- 25 Valuable property.
- 26 To nod.
- 30 Challenged.
- 31 Anesthetic.
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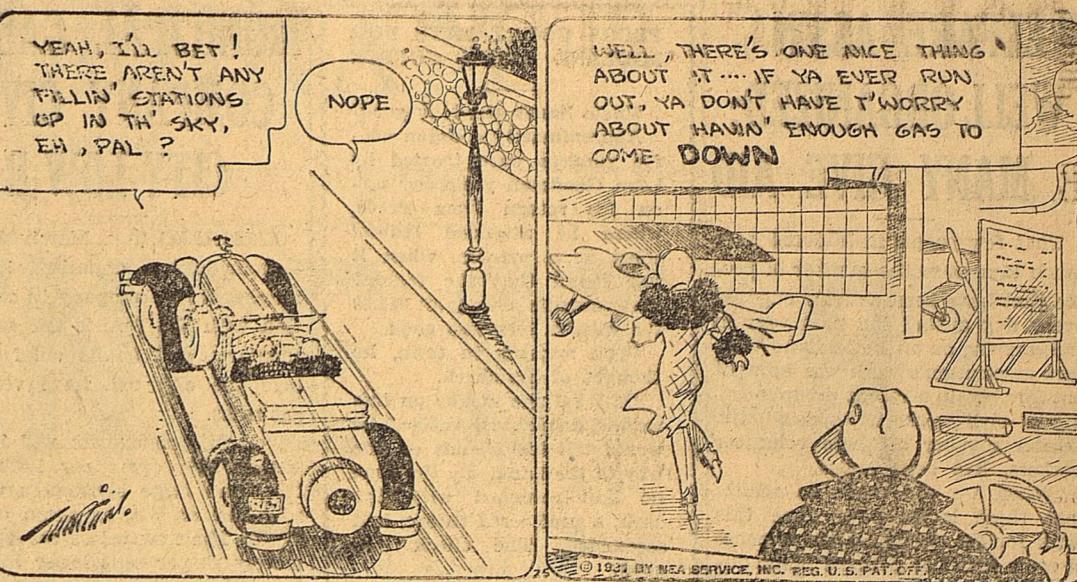
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## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



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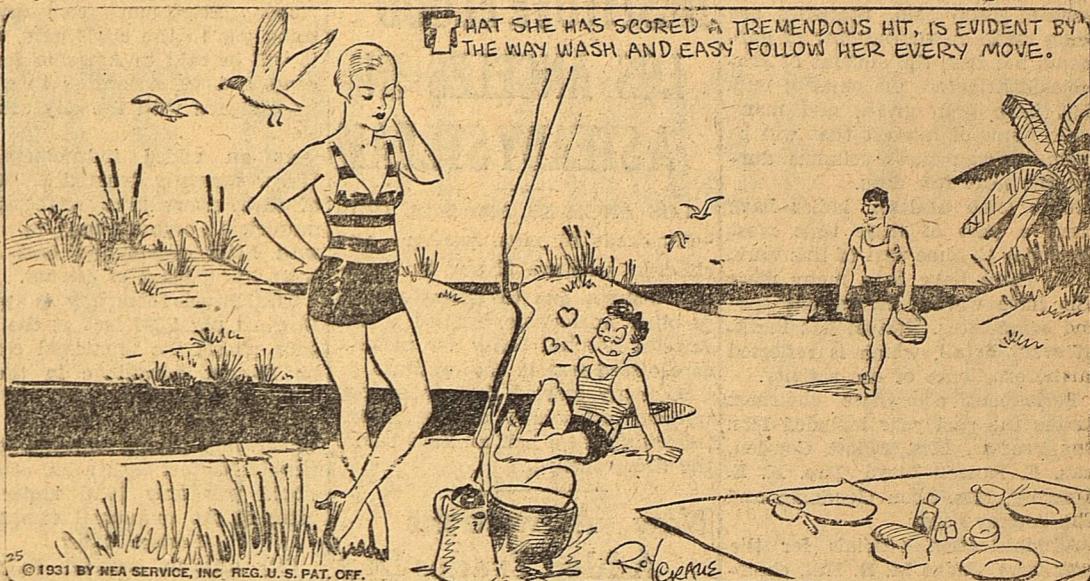
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By Martin

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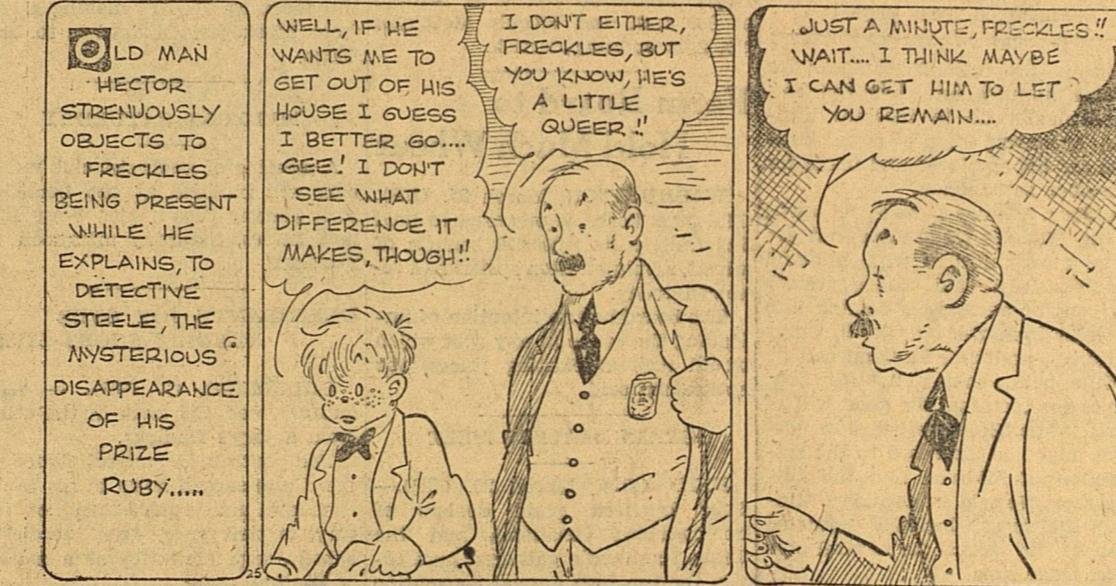


Glorious Days!



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## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

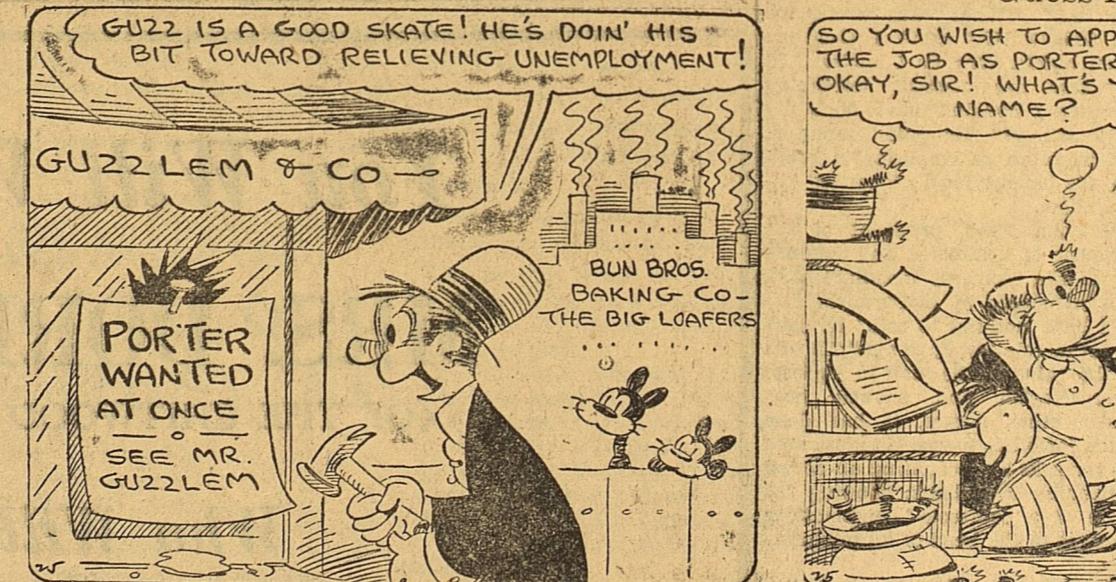


You Never Can Tell!



By Blosser

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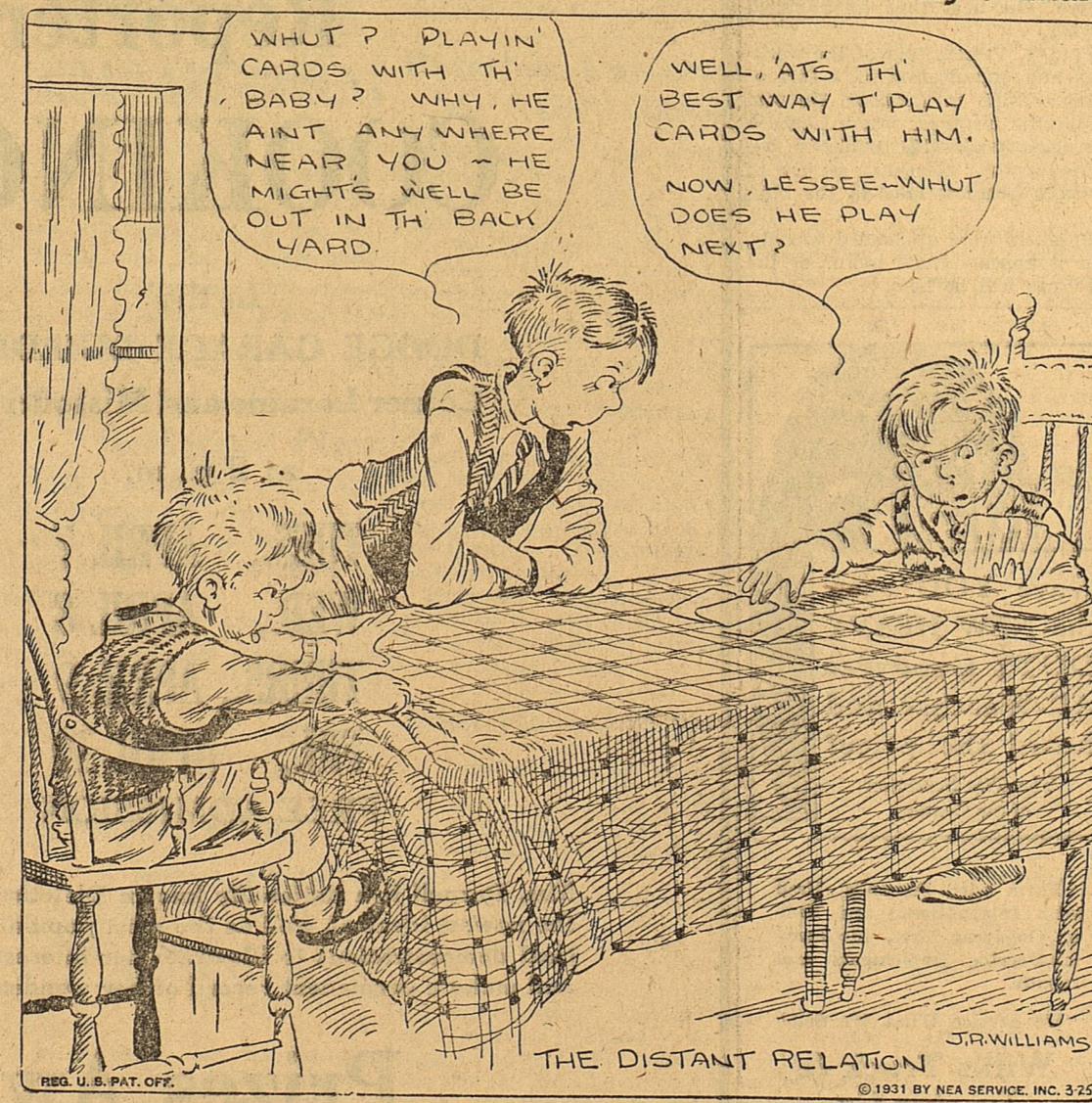


Guess Again, Guzz!



By Smal

## OUT OUR WAY



By Williams

## OUR BOARDING HOUSE



By Ahern

## Stickler Solution

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The diagrams above show how the numbers from 1 to 9, inclusive, can be put into the circles so that, in one case, each side will add to 17, in another to 19, in another to 20 and in another to 21. There are other ways to do each problem.

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12-3p

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## WELFARE ASS'N WELL ORGANIZED; MANY GIVE AID

That few people in Midland have much idea as to the number of people that have been actively engaged every day during the past year in the carrying on of the Midland Welfare association's work was brought out forcibly, in a recent group meeting of civil workers. As usual, the greater number of these volunteer workers, has been ladies.

"When we are made to realize that these ladies have done this work for the needy, at the expense of some social or perhaps home duties, the community should be all the more appreciative of their splendid efforts," the chairman of the welfare group said. Statistics are being made on the number of garments handled, the amount of groceries distributed, the pints of milk that have been given, and many other items of interest that will be given through these columns during the next few days.

More than a dozen ladies have given a part of their time most every day to some part of this work while there have been many who have worked on various special committees. System has marked every detail, which is reflected in the excellence of the activity.

Permanent committee chairmen during the past year included Mrs. Foy Proctor, Mrs. Elliott Cowden, Mrs. E. Russell Lloyd, Mrs. K. E. Ambrose, Mrs. Leon Goodman and Mrs. Aubrey Legg.

Administration officials for the year were, Judge M. R. Hill, chairman; Mrs. J. E. Hill, secretary; E. H. Barron, treasurer; H. G. Bedford, administrator, and Mrs. Harvey Sloan, investigator.

### Crane Wildcat-

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the test possible, states that many of the tracts have already been sold and many visitors go to the test daily to watch the progress of the operation which was started on the 12th of this month.

Core tests have been made in the vicinity of the test, but no deep operations have yet been made near or on the structure worked out. It is between the Yates pool and the Crane pool and also on a line between the Yates pool and the shallow fields in North Pecos county.

### Hoover at San Juan Greeted by Natives

SAN JUAN, March 25. (UP).—President Hoover landed today for a brief visit before starting back to Washington.

The presidential party, aboard a barge, came ashore through a lane of native boats decorated with palms. Natives shouted greetings and played native instruments.

**RITZ**

TODAY  
and Thurs.

The Master  
Melodrama!

**LITTLE CAESAR**  
with Edw. G.  
ROBINSON  
and Douglas  
FAIRBANKS, Jr.

The underworld trembled at his commands, the upper-world shuddered at his demands. He ruled with an iron hand, he was never licked—but he made the fatal mistake of his life—he defied a girl in love.

—On the program—  
"THE LEATHER PUSHERS" COMEDY THRILLER



By Expert Workmen . . .  
With Expert Equipment  
And Genuine Chevrolet Parts

And that, of course, means a quality job from whatever angle you look at it. With our ability to handle your car expertly you'll be agreeably surprised to learn how cheaply a good job can be done within a reasonable time.

Genuine Chevrolet  
13-Plate Batteries . . . \$8.70

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MECHANICAL DEPT.  
Open Evenings Til 9  
Jobs finished same night.  
CARS GREASED . . . \$1.00  
CARS WASHED . . . \$1.00

## MUNICIPAL GAS COMPANY GIVES CITY LOW RATE

AMARILLO, Tex., March 25. (UP).—Amarillo has organized its own municipal gas company in competition with the Prairie Oil and Gas company, and as its chief advantage the city will have very low gas rates.

Domestic consumers will be sold gas at 22½ cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and large consumers will be sold fuel as low as seven cents a 1,000. The new prices are approximately 40 per cent lower than the price of the city's competitor.

Sold at Five Cents

Work already has begun by the Huber Petroleum company to bring gas to the city's gate, where it will be sold to Amarillo for five cents a 1,000, according to a contract signed with the city commission.

As an added inducement the Huber company donated 12,000 feet of distributing pipe, enabling the municipal organization to begin with little distribution cost other than the digging of ditches.

The Prairie company is paying 16 cents per 1,000 feet at the city's gate, giving the municipal concern an 11-cent advantage in the beginning. A comparison of rates reveals that the domestic consumer, now paying 38 cents for the first 38,000 feet with a bill of \$11.40 would pay only \$6.75 under the rates of the municipal company.

Lowest Rates

City officials contend that not only will the lowest rates in the world be offered the citizenry, but that the new company will make money for Amarillo.

The gas supply is to come from the nearby Hutchinson county field, a part of the largest gas field in the world, which adjoins Amarillo.

### Court to Decide Plane's Status

WASHINGTON. (UP).—Whether or not an airplane is a "vehicle" will be decided by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit when it reviews one feature of a decision handed down in which it held that an airplane is a "vehicle" within the meaning of the provisions of the National Motor Vehicle Act.

The United States Supreme Court has granted a petition for a writ of certiorari to the Circuit Court in order that it might review this feature of its decision.

The petitioner, William W. McBoyle, was convicted in the United States District Court on charges of transporting a stolen airplane from Ottawa, Ill., to Guyman, Okla. He was sentenced to three years in jail and was ordered to pay a fine of \$2,000.

### Reporter-Telegram Beats Laundrymen

The Reporter-Telegram club, made up of the California company team, reinforced by Sam Warren of the newspaper, won its first playground ball game Tuesday afternoon when it played the De Luxe laundry. The score was 7-6.

Players believed the game ended 7-5, but another check revealed that a score had not been marked for the laundrymen.

The win placed the Reporter-Telegram in a tie for the top place in the league with the Southwest Bell Telephone company.

Gulf Pipeline and Texas Electric play this afternoon and Midland Hardware and De Luxe laundry Thursday afternoon. All games are at 6 o'clock, at the high school diamond.

### Body of Fisherman Not Yet Recovered

GREENVILLE, March 25. (UP).—While the search continued for the body of Guy Bass in the city lake, funeral services were held today for Charles Langford, whose body was recovered late yesterday.

The pair drowned Monday night when the boat in which they were fishing overturned.

## School Declamation Winners Announced

Finals in both boys and girls senior declamation were decided this morning when Merwin Haag, B. C. Driver and A. W. Stanley were given first, second and third places, respectively, for high school boys, and Kathleen Scuggs, Ida Beth Cowden and Ida Mae Houston were adjudged winners among high school girls.

At the junior high school, eliminations went into the semi-finals, with the following surviving in the boys class: Robert Rankin, Bob White, John Ed Crabb, Adell Ponner, C. A. Goldsmith, Franklin Cowden, J. B. Thomas, Robert Prothro and Tom Waddell. The following were listed in the girls class: Dorothy Lou Speed, Jane Dunagan, Caroline Sisk, Lillie Jewell White, Melba Nixon, Isabel McClintic, Meiba Lee, Leola Kirby and Anna Beth Bedford.

Lucile McMullan, Virginia Hawkins, Ernestine Holder, Dorothy Bess Stanley and Juanita Cox were eliminated in the senior girls declamation. Senior boys eliminated were E. B. Evans, Johnnie Kapp and Murray Fasken.

Rules were simple: "A speaker ranked first by a majority of the judges shall be awarded first place. In case no speaker is ranked first by a majority of the judges, the contestant the sum of whose rank least shall be awarded first place. Similarly, with the first place already decided, the sum of the ranks is not resorted to determine second place if one contestant has been given second rank by a majority of the judges."

Judges in the senior declinations were: Mrs. George T. Abel, Carroll Hill and James P. Harrison.

### Courtesy Meeting--

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the same proportion." He spoke for several minutes on what the employees should do to increase business optimism, secure more business for his employer and make for consumer satisfaction.

Addison Wadley named the towns of the Midland trade area that are doing most business with Midland merchants. He said that a greater per cent of business is coming into Midland from the outside, in many instances, and that Midland can do nothing better than to not only continue, but increase, the good will of those towns. He explained how business might be increased to the satisfaction of Midland and the outside area. He said he considers Midland the most logically situated town of the section for control of a great trade area.

The youthful defendant sighed in relief and sagged down in his chair. "Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, is that your true verdict?" asked Judge Mahaffey as a matter of routine.

"No," emphatically answered the jurors.

## COURTESY CARDS DISTRIBUTED TO SHOPPERS HERE

One thousand courtesy cards were issued this week by the chamber of commerce to hand to Midland shoppers. These cards are available to all stores and can be had without cost by asking for them at the chamber's office.

The cards are to be handed out-of-town visitors to acquaint them with the services at Midland and the welcome offered them. Following is the wording on the cards:

"Hotel Scharbauer offers a free daytime private rest room, etc., free checking of all parcels, costs, etc., free use of the beautiful mezzanine floor, ice water. Present this card or merely state to the clerk you are a visitor."

"Visiting women will find a rest room, dressing room, library where the children may be left to play or read, main library with magazines, ice water and cool lounging room at the beautiful new Midland courthouse. All of this is without cost."

"We want you to come back to Midland. If everything doesn't go all right while you are in Midland, see the Cahmber of Commerce, which is the business men's organization for protecting the fair name of the city, and through which the business men seek to create good will over West Texas."

### McClintic Field Showing Progress

C. A. McClintic made a business trip Monday to Crane City, Rankin Best and Big Lake. While in Crane City he inspected his oil properties; Duffy McClintic No. 4 is drilling at 860 feet, and Weekly McClintic No. 2 is building derrick.

### Farm Board to Hold Much Wheat

WASHINGTON, March 25. (UP).—The farm board is prepared to hold indefinitely its 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, administration spokesman revealed today.

The board has no intention of unloading the cache in any spot which would depress existing prices, the spokesman said.

### GRAIN DEALERS MEET

ENID, Okla., March 25. (UP).—Four hundred grain dealers of northwestern Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle gathered here today for the 15th annual convention of the Farmers' Cooperative Grain association meeting.

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## Chamber Membership Continues Its Growth

Two more Midlanders voluntarily joined the chamber of commerce Tuesday, making three volunteer members in two days. They were Fred Hull, office manager at Midland Hardware Co. and F. E. Stubbe, farmer. The day before Mrs. Howard F. Peters joined. During the past 60 days the average for new members has been over 1 every 3 days. All were volunteer members.

Midland's chamber of commerce received national recognition, the annual report of the National Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries shows when the question was asked at the national convention-school at Tulsa last year as to why it was "everybody in Midland belongs to the chamber of commerce."

The reply was:

"First, Midland has perhaps the most extraordinary membership of any city anywhere near its size in America. The people are loyal community believers and want to do their share. They don't want to ride on the other fellow's coat tails."

"Second, it is the popular thing in Midland to belong to the chamber of commerce. Practically everybody does. Business house membership for stores of importance has been nearly 100 per cent for seven years.

"Third, the chamber makes a sincere and hard effort to earn the respect and confidence the members have in it."

### SHIPS LAND

E. S. Shipp in a Stinson plane landed at Sloan field this morning en route to Los Angeles from Greenwood, Miss.

Lieut. Prudhomme flying an army V12B Douglas stopped at the port this morning. He was making a trip from Muskogee, Oklahoma, to San Diego.

### MEETING SATURDAY

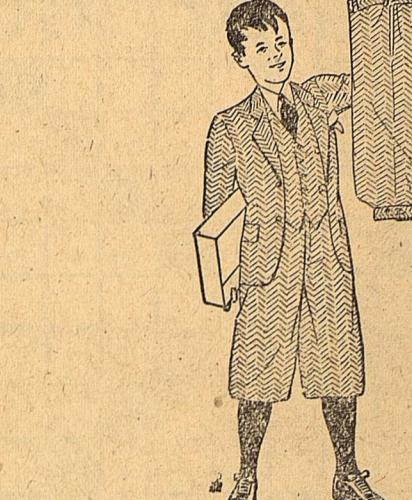
A meeting of Edelweiss club members will be held at the home of Mrs. Harvey Sloan, 1404 West Illinois Street, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

### DEFENDANT'S JOY OVER VERDICT SHORT-LIVED

COLUMBUS, O. (UP).—"Not guilty!" read the clerk of the court from a jury's findings.

The youthful defendant sighed in relief and sagged down in his chair. "Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, is that your true verdict?" asked Judge Mahaffey as a matter of routine.

"No," emphatically answered the jurors.



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All with two pairs of trousers.

Separate knickers with the Knit Grip feature, at **\$1.95 to \$3.95**.

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**Addison Wadley Co.**  
"A Better Department Store"  
Midland, Texas

### DINNER SERVED

Chicken dinner will be served by women of the Macedonia church Thursday from 11:30 to 1 o'clock in the Petroleum building.

Orders may be sent in and dinners will be delivered.

Pot Plants and Cut  
Flowers

Large assortment just rec'd.  
Place orders early for Easter  
Lilies.

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