

The Weather

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy to night and Sunday; cooler Sunday.

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DONALD BROWN CASE A MISTRIAL

Administration Told to Forget European Debt Relief

COUNTER STAND IS ASSUMED

Opposition to Plan of President Is Voiced

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (P)—Congressional leaders today told the administration to forget about further debt relief for Europe. Meanwhile every energy was directed toward ratification of the Hoover moratorium. Senate leaders at conference with Under-Secretary Mills of the treasury emphasized their opposition to the president's proposal for revival of the war debt commission to study additional European relief.

It was forcefully suggested that this not be pressed lest it endanger the moratorium. Congressional chieftains made it clear that the administration must act on its own responsibility regarding payment of debts due America Tuesday that would be suspended under the moratorium.

Victory Campaign To Be Launched

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (P)—The Democratic party will launch its nation-wide "victory campaign" to raise a million and a half dollars on January 14. Final plans for a concentrated drive for funds to pay off old debts and relaunch the party war chest for the next campaign were made at a meeting of state chairmen today. Officials said pre-campaign contributions were pleasing.

December 15 Debts May Not Be Paid

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (UP)—The state and treasury departments notified congress today foreign debtors that they must pay their debts due the United States Dec. 15. It was explained that congressional ratification of the Hoover moratorium was expected soon and that meantime it may be considered in effect.

New Record From Coast Established

What is believed by port officials here to be record time for a commercial ship between the west coast and Midland was set by a Belanca flown by R. M. Larson, when he made it from Los Angeles here in six hours and 40 minutes Friday. His flight from El Paso to Midland in one hour and a half was also thought to be a new record. The ship, owned by W. O. Todd, landed in Midland about noon, and took off soon after for Corsicana.

Saturday's visitors to the Midland airport were Lieutenants Howard and Ott, both flying B-3-A's, army bombers. They came from Langley Field, Virginia, and were enroute to March field, San Diego, taking off from here at 1:15 after about a 40-minute stay.

CRITICALLY HURT

ODESSA, Dec. 12.—O. M. Hodges, employe of the Wink Gravel and Clay company, with headquarters in Odessa, is in a critical condition suffering from a broken arm and fractured skull sustained in an accident last week in Pecos in which one man was killed and seven injured. Physicians are not hopeful for Hodges' recovery.

JINGLE BELLS!

10 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Mr. Speaker



The first Democrat to preside over a branch of congress since 1919, Representative John N. Garner of Texas is pictured above, gavel in hand, after his election to the Speakership of the House.

UPSET AND ROMAN RACE THRILLS OF MEET AT COURSE

Trammell's paint three year old mare, Nettie Harrison, sprang the surprise of the afternoon Saturday winning the three-eighths mile free for all race by a good margin over Floyd's Red Wing and G. T. Smith's Red Boy. Jockey Peters rode the winner in after a difficult start when the mare was fractions at the post.

Uncle Abe, owned by Mrs. Smith won the half mile race over Holten's Pretty Embury and Hatten's Salo.

A cowpony race, for the quarter mile, was won by Bill Bryant's Billy B. Curtis Cook up. Delmar Yoakum riding Robert's Headlight, was second, Odell Ponder riding his Cherry running third.

The most interesting race of the afternoon was a Roman standing race in which each of the two riders stood on the backs of two horses. McManus, riding Smith's Atton and Hatten's Blaze, won over Holten who rode his Brownie and Phariou. B. The winning Roman team kept perfect stride for the entire half mile circle of the track. This event is expected to be a gate drawing attraction when the races are held at Cowboy park on the afternoon of December 24.

G. T. Smith, Hatten, Holten and their jockeys are stopping over at the local track with ten head of race horses. They live in the northwest and have been working down this way at various race meets. They will remain here for the Christmas eve races.

Jay Floyd, who featured in Roman standing races at the A. & M. College, may compete with the visitors in this event at that time.

Keeping Up With The Joneses Not So Hard for Them

An antiquated flivver and a trim motorcycle bumped together at Main and Missouri Saturday, throwing a youth to the pavement and a farmer against his windshield. The farmer unbuttoned himself from the flivver and the youth slowly got up from the ground. "My name's Jones," the farmer said. "Jones is my name," the boy said. "I'll pay for the damage," the farmer said. "There won't be much, and I'd be glad to pay it," the youth said. "Did you say your name was Jones?" the farmer asked. "Sure. Do you spell it like I do mine?" General laughter from the street crowd gathered in hopes of general discrimination. The two walked off together to a repair shop while the crowd assisted in clearing the street of the flivver. The old gentleman is T. J. and the youth J. L. Jones. A rough meeting, but a meeting nevertheless, as they both admitted.

POWERS TO HANG MARCH 18

Court Denies Motion To Set Aside Verdict

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 12. (P)—Harry F. Powers today was sentenced to die on the gallows next March 18. He was found guilty of murdering Mrs. Dorothy Pressler Lemke of Northboro, Mass., divorcee, in his death house garage. A motion to have the verdict set aside was denied.

MULESHOE RANCH IS ACQUIRED BY SCHARBAUER CO.

The traditions of the old Muleshoe ranch have come home to roost under the control of the Scharbauer Cattle company.

The 80-section ranch that lies 40 miles west of Artesia, N. M., has been bought by the Midland company, and Lewis C. Beyer, former inspector for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers association has moved into the ranch headquarters as manager, his family accompanying him.

The model ranch, lying on both sides of the Penasco river and thickly covered with good grass, was formerly owned by Elza White, who held it about 27 years before selling to Robert Fally of Hale Center, who sold out to the Scharbauer Cattle Company recently.

The ranch is one of the best equipped physically in the state of New Mexico. It boasts its own power equipment, mills for grinding feed, supplying light etc. The river runs a serpentine course through the center of the ranchland and, never in the memory of residents of that section, has run dry. Even in the summer there are plenty of places where one may swim.

The Scharbauer Cattle company plans to run about 2,000 head of cattle on the ranch, the year round. A portion of the ranch that was once utilized as pasturage for sheep will not be used longer for that purpose.

Inspection of New Negro School Today

Opening of the \$6,000 negro school building, two blocks east and two south of the negro hotel, will result Monday. The building will be opened this afternoon, between the hours of 2 and 4:30, for public inspection. Construction was begun 60 days ago. Guy Breneman was general contractor. The job was completed Friday. The building is one of the finest for negroes in the state, and is modern throughout.

Road From Odessa To Andrews Ready

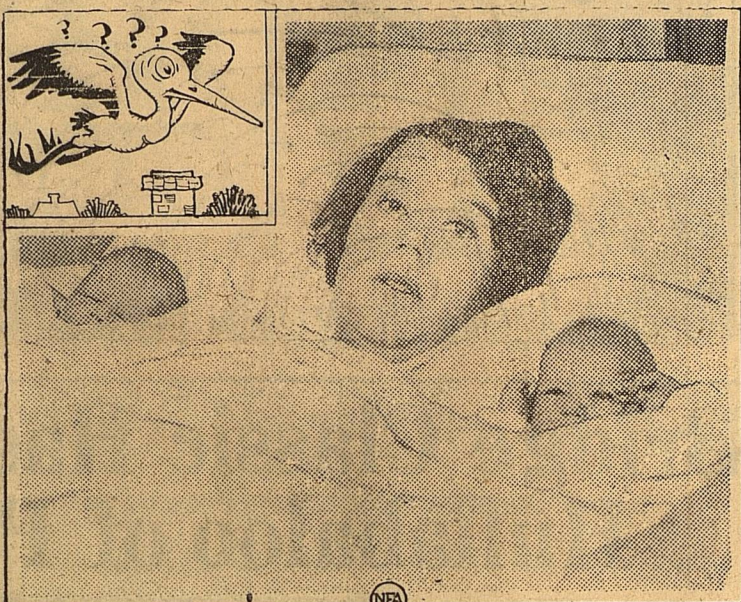
ODESSA, Dec. 12.—With over 20 per cent of the grading and drainage work on the stretch of road from the Ector county pavement to the city of Andrews completed and with work going rapidly ahead under ideal weather conditions, the road prospects of a north and south route through this section are becoming more realistic.

Three separate crews are now working on this section of the road on which the contract was awarded to McClure & Dennison of Tucumcari. It is understood that Saturday, Dec. 12 the state department at Austin received bids for the section of highway from Seminole on the south to the Terry county line on the north. This highway 137 when completed will give Odessa a direct connection with the great Panhandle Plains.

MUCH PUBLICITY

Midland publicity rang the bell last week, a checkup made Saturday disclosed. Three Midland stories appeared on the front page of the South's largest daily newspaper on three different days. Two magazines used Midland articles. Three Midland pictures were submitted for use. All of this was in addition to 124 other newspaper articles sent to 11 different publications by the Midland chamber of commerce.

Twins—Born in Two States



These twins—boy and girl—will have a story to tell all their lives, for the boy (left) was born in Nebraska and his twin sister (right) in Iowa. The boy was born to Mrs. F. H. Simpson of South Sioux City, Neb., and the mother rushed by ambulance to a hospital at Sioux City, Iowa—just across the Missouri river—where the girl was born 20 minutes later. Mother and children are doing nicely, thank you.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS TO SEE FIVE HORSE RACING PROGRAMS GIVEN AT COWBOY PARK'S POPULAR COURSE

Five horse racing programs will be held in Midland at Cowboy park during the Christmas holidays.

B. W. (Timberline) Floyd announced Saturday that races would be run Dec. 25, 26 and 30, and on Jan. 1 and 2. The events promise to be among the best ever seen in Midland, as there is one string of nine foreign horses, as well as the well known local racing animals. There are now 15 horses at Cowboy park in training for the events.

Part of the proceeds of all five races may go to the Welfare association, as Floyd has offered a sizeable share of the gate receipts to the welfare group. Welfare officials will meet Monday at 4 o'clock in the court house to discuss the matter.

W. Ily Pratt, president of the Welfare association, said Saturday the organization was grateful to Floyd, Spencer Jowell, Merl Jowell and Jay Floyd, owners of the park for the liberal donation of \$87.40 made by Cowboy park in the fall to the welfare fund. Incidentally, it might be mentioned that the owners of Cowboy park this fall gave all the July 4 receipts to the American Legion and what was characterized as a very liberal split on a later program to Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Timberline Floyd, manager of the park, said Saturday that local people having horses to enter could get free stable room at the park. All owners of entries in the races and their jockeys will be admitted free. General admission will be 50 cents and children will be admitted for 25 cents.

It is expected that the races will draw large crowds, as the program is said to be unusually keen and fast, and the admission price is just half of what is usually charged for similar events.

MADRID, Dec. 12. (UP)—The Spanish cabinet resigned today, only one day after inauguration of Nicolo Alcala Zamora as the newly formed republic's first president.

OSLO, Norway, Dec. 12. (UP)—Eleven members of the crew of the German trawler Venus, were drowned and two saved today when the craft sank during a storm. The engineer and the mate were saved. The others lost their lives when a lifeboat capsized.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12. (UP)—Two notes to Santa Claus were found in the pockets of Henry F. Dietz, who suicided because of debts. The notes were written by his children.

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 12. (AP)—An explosion that hurled her bed nearly through the roof killed Mrs. Marie Galloway Baker, young wife of a wealthy California and Ohio oil man today as she slept. W. A. Baker, her husband, escaped without a scratch. There is considerable mystery as to the cause of the explosion. Mrs. Baker was formerly Miss Marie Galloway, of Graham, Tex.

Beaumont remained in the state schoolboy race Saturday afternoon by defeating Harlingen, 38-6.

ATTORNEY VISITS

Jess Orth, county attorney of Andrews county, was in Midland on legal business Saturday. He says that his county is optimistic over recent precipitation.

A PRISON PROBE IS EXPECTED

Three Prisoners Are Dead; Only One Escapes

LEAVENWORTH, Dec. 12. (UP)—Federal Prison Director Sanford Bates was expected here from Washington today to conduct an investigation into yesterday's prison break. Meanwhile army airplanes were seeking Earl Thayer, the seventh convict who escaped while the prison was in turmoil.

Three of six who kidnaped Warden White died in a barricaded house while the posse was outside. A corner said William Green, 31, the ringleader, shot Grover Durrill, George Curtis and then himself when he saw that capture was imminent.

Three others were recaptured while fleeing afoot. The three who died were Oklahoma City mail robbers.

Warden White was seriously hurt but physicians hoped to save an injured arm. Two guards were wounded.

Pigg Buys First Tag Second Year

There are a few Midland county people who will miss their toes stepped on while waiting in line to buy their car numerals for 1932.

Five have bought tags for their passenger cars, the records of Mrs. O. A. Haynes show. W. E. Pigg was the first to buy for the second consecutive year, getting No. 939551. No alphabetical character will precede numerals this season. Plates are green with white numerals.

One truck license has been issued, to the Magnolia Pipe Line company. There is no change in prices this year.

Taxpayers are drifting in, also. E. Eiland of Route 1 was the first to pay his taxes, followed a close second by W. T. Beauchamp, who was first last year.

About \$45,000 in state, county and school taxes have been paid, the records show.

Prizes for Best Xmas Decorations

Announcement of prize contests for the best Christmas decorations has been made by Aubrey S. Legg, district manager of the Texas Electric Service company.

There are three divisions to the contest. There will be a first prize of \$4 and a second prize of \$2 offered for the best decorated residence.

The same prizes will be given for the best decorated business establishment.

A third prize will be given to the best decoration of employes of the Texas Electric Service company.

"The most artistic decoration is what counts," Legg said, "not necessarily the most expensive."

Those who wish to enter the contest may telephone the chamber of commerce or The Reporter-Telegram and give their names. Judging will be done Saturday evening. Judges will be announced this week.

Bonner Returns to Assume Managership

Managership of the Midland theatres of the Griffith Amusement company changed to John Bonner at midnight Saturday. The former manager took a long leave on the theatres and will arrive here probably today from Oklahoma City. For the past year he has been city manager of the Griffith houses in Borger.

FEELS HIS AGE

Birth of a grandson, David Earl, 7-1-2 pounds, to his daughter, Mrs. Dora Williams of Colorado, is making Supt. J. A. Summerhill of Andrews "feel his age," as he put it. The child was born Dec. 7. The father teaches vocational agriculture in the public schools of Colorado.

Dog Decorated



Blind Dr. Raymond V. Harris... and his medal-winning dog, "Tartar."

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 12.—"Tartar," the German Shepherd dog of Dr. Raymond V. Harris, a blind Savannah physician, has been honored by the National Anti-Visitation Society and decorated with a bronze medal. Dog and master are familiar figures on the streets of the city.

Dr. Harris lost his eyesight several years ago when engaged in laboratory work. Acid fell in them as he attempted to take a bottle from a high shelf.

Shortly after he became blind, Dr. Harris secured Tartar from a trainer. She is 4 years old and comes from Switzerland. Equipped with a harness with a handle extending about two feet above her back for her master to grasp, Tartar leads him through the most crowded thoroughfares. The doctor trusts her implicitly and she has never faltered nor caused him to make a mistake.

Only One Criminal Case Results in a Serious Sentence

Over around district court they play an interesting, though monotonous game. The sheriff catches those charged with varying offenses and juries turn them loose.

Out of eight criminal cases tried in the present term, only one resulted in a decision of guilt without the strings of a suspended sentence attached.

Several cases were dismissed for lack of evidence to convict.

In case the jury in the Donald Brown case reported as hopelessly hung it had not reported earlier in the evening, every car theft case except one would have resulted in freeing defendants after pleas of guilt had been entered.

Albert McGill is the only exception to the list. He pled guilty to taking a car, valued at less than \$100 according to the description, and was given three years.

Tom Dupree was given a five-year suspended sentence Saturday after pleading guilty to taking an automobile of A. Wadley and personal property from Arthur Judkins. He admitted selling the Judkins belongings. The sheriff and his deputies are beginning to look dubious when entering court.

A boy who was not eligible for a suspended sentence after a similar offense had been committed once before, was picked up by Midland officers here last year and tried for theft of a car. He was convicted and on the way to the penitentiary told the officer in charge that he had received 12 suspended sentences during his life.

"Just as soon as I get out, if there is a car anywhere I can get my hands on, I'll get it," he boasted.

The divorce bill was more than mildly successful, however, 15 allegations from vows being allowed. This was a record number for a Midland court session, it was generally believed.

FRED IS GUILTY

With all the coffee drinkers of town outnumbering the churchgoers, the question of who slips in while the coffee addicts are out and drinks tea came up in "guzzling" session. A watch was set to report on who left the teapot on the counter. Fred Turner was the one caught. He drinks tea in regular Piccadilly fashion. The coffee drinkers have branded him as a pariah.

VOTE SEVEN TO FIVE FOR ACQUITTAL

Hijacking Case Goes To Jury at 3:30 Saturday

A jury could not agree, and the case of State vs. Donald Brown goes on record as a mistrial. The case went to the jury about 3:30. The jury reported at 10:10 that it was hopelessly deadlocked, and it was dismissed. The case will come up again in the February term of district court. The jury voted seven to five for acquittal.

A district court jury was still out late Saturday night in the robbery with firearms case against Donald Brown, Big Spring man, who once attended school in Midland. Expectancy of a hung jury increased as the hours passed and no report had come from the jury room.

Brown was charged with hijacking Clarence Cloninger and the Vance-Cox filling station on the night of May 27 and with taking a car from the Cowden-Epley warehouse. The machine was wrecked 17 miles from Midland on the Midland-Andrews road and Brown was arrested in Midland the next morning.

The case moved smoothly until the question of admissibility in evidence of the defendant's voluntary confession came up. The defense objected to the evidence and the court, after sustaining the objection, instructed the jury to retire while the "contention" was decided. At the night session, Judge Charles L. Klapproth reversed his decision and the trial went on, its speed clogged by the continual recalling of witnesses.

The jury was completed in the early afternoon, from a special venire list of 108. It was formed of Carl Smith, Lewis Bewley, A. C. Blackburn, E. O. Conner, Alton Gault, T. W. Long, J. N. Franks, Fred Girdley, O. H. Baggett, W. B. Brooks, Carroll Hill and V. O. Blalock.

Witnesses called by the State were C. L. Cloninger, who testified he was hijacked by the defendant; Mrs. E. N. Wood, proprietor of the West-end hotel, at which place the defendant spent the night following the alleged offense; County Judge M. R. Hill, who took the confession of Brown after the defendant had been lodged in jail here; Noble Stewart, taxi driver who said he accepted \$2 from the defendant in payment for burning defendant's clothes and burying his gun; A. C. Francis, sheriff of Midland county, who testified that Brown made a voluntary confession of the offense with which he was charged and that intimidation or promise of favor were not impressed to secure the confession. He said the defendant had been informed prior to his confession that he might make the confession but that its disclosures might be used against him.

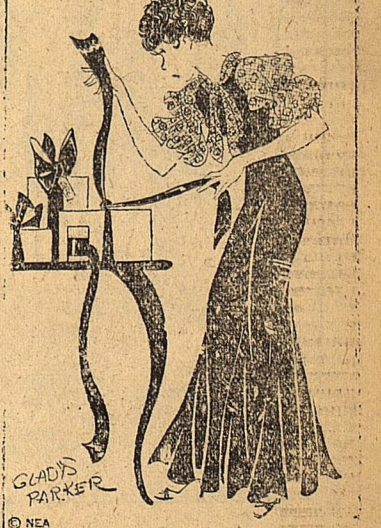
It was 4:50 when the state closed its case. The defense made a motion for an instructed verdict, but Judge Klapproth overruled the motion.

The defense called J. Hawkins, Big Spring butcher, to the stand. He testified to having lived here nine years, and that he and the defendant had once been at "outs." He said that on the night of May 27 he

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FLAPPER FANNY SAYS

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.



After a day of wrapping Christmas gifts, anyone is fit to be tied.

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NOW, AMATEUR BANDITS

Reports from various cities recently indicate that amateur competition is beginning to make itself felt in the holdup racket.

In one city several filling station robberies are traced to a young factory hand who had been out of work for many months. In another, a bank robber is shot and killed and is found to be a hitherto respectable family man who had had no work for more than a year. A third city provides a duplicate case. Still another furnishes the case of a robber who shot down a victim in cold blood, but who, on arrest, was found to be a jobless workman who had not before engaged in crime.

Cases of this kind throw an entirely new problem on the police and the courts—or, more properly, on society as a whole.

In the ordinary course of events the criminals—especially the bandit, the holdup artist—comes from a special class of society. He is in most cases, the product of a particular district, and the influence of environment and heredity can usually be traced pretty clearly in his career.

He presents one kind of problem. It is a problem which we have not yet entirely solved, and our efforts to deal with it are now and then atrociously imperfect; but at least the problem is more or less familiar, and we have a fairly good idea what we should do when confronted with it.

But this new kind of robber is something else again. He grew up as a law-abiding citizen. Often his background is excellent. Sheer poverty drives him into crime. Extenuating circumstances are present to a marked degree.

And yet—he is just as much a menace to society as the old kind of bandit. If a man levels a gun at your head and demands your money, it makes precious little difference to you whether he is a professional crook or an ordinary citizen made frantic by hunger. His gun is just as unpleasant a threat, either way.

What are we to do about him? It is a question to puzzle our wisest. We can only see clearly that now, more than ever before, we need to use our utmost wisdom in dealing with our law-breakers.

NEW WHEAT DOPE

The new regulations for the rationing of bread in Soviet Russia, announced the other day by the newspaper Pravda, in Moscow, may eventually be good news for American wheat farmers.

One of the factors that put wheat prices down not long ago was the presence in the world market of considerable quantities of Russian wheat. The Russians were exporting wheat, even when their people at home were not getting enough to eat, in order to pay for their extensive imports of machinery and other factory equipment.

Now, however, the individual Russian is going to get more bread; and if he does, Russia will have far less wheat to export. If this new ruling continues in force for a year or so the effect on world prices should be distinctly beneficial.

LOWELL BAYLES' SACRIFICE

The tragic death of Aviator Lowell R. Bayles is a distinct loss to American aviation; and it emphasizes, in an unmistakable manner, the dangers that attend the flyer who makes experimentation with speed planes his field.

Bayles was a speed specialist. Late last summer he won the Thompson trophy race at the National Air Races. Since then he had been trying to break the world's speed record for land planes—a record now held by the French, with a mark of 278 and a fraction miles per hour.

This was not mere stunt work. Both commercial and military aviation need faster planes. Men like Bayles show how speed can be obtained; and Bayles' death, unlike the death of a stuntman, was one of those sacrifices that the air seems to demand, every so often, of the man who would conquer it for the service of mankind.

Side Glances by Clark



"I'd like to go along, Joe, but I'm all tied up till Christmas. There's a guy here what's promised me a box of cigars."

Washington

By Rodney Dutcher Letter

Wishing John H. Garner Well, Hoover Spells It "Possible" and Now Henry T. Rainey Both Smokes and Drives.

WASHINGTON. — One of the things they moved from Jack Garner's old minority leader office to the speaker's quarters was that photograph of President Hoover. It is autographed as follows:

"To the Honorable John H. Garner: With good wishes in every possible direction—except politics. From Herbert Hoover."

It seems certain that the president meant "possible" because there is no such word as "possible". Incidentally, the word "every" in the inscription was first written "evry" but the second "ev" was penned in.

(Photostatic proof furnished on request.) Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois, new majority floor leader, smokes one of those underslung pipes made famous by Charles G. Dawes. Smokes it before, after and between all his meals. Dawes gave him one while here as vice president a few years ago. It cost 35 cents. Rainey tried it, didn't like it and told Dawes not to give him any more. The other day he paid \$3.50 for his latest pipe and complains that it isn't as good as the one Dawes gave him. He uses denticulated tobacco.

Rainey never smoked until he was 63 years old. Then, he says, he decided if he were ever going to smoke he had better start. After the terrible 1924 Democratic convention he got thinking about himself and he found that he had "two outstanding shortcomings."

"I couldn't drive a car and I didn't know how to smoke a cigar," he says. "So I stopped off at Toledo on my way home to my farm in Carrollton, Ill., and bought an automobile and a box of cigars. The salesman showed me how to start, shift, steer and brake. Then I drove right on home, smoking cigars all along. Everybody got out of my way but now I can drive well and I smoke all the time, but not cigars."

Attorney General Mitchell, observed many people and considerable commotion at the White House. He asked someone what the excitement was about and was told that the W. C. T. U. ladies were calling on President Hoover.

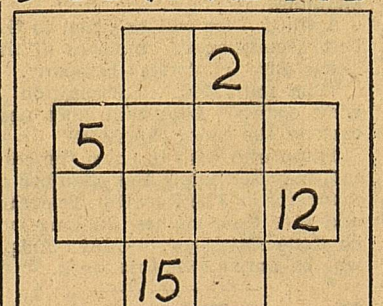
"Ah," he exclaimed. "Some of my friends!" The tactful, humane, preparations which the capital police made for the hunger marchers reminded one of the way the police of nearby, tolerant Baltimore, handled a communist parade not long ago. Nobody cared whether the communists paraded if they obeyed the law. But the communists refused to get a permit to parade and the police felt they might have to do their duty and arrest them, which might cause trouble and injuries. So they got an elderly negro to join the communist party and apply for a permit for the parade. The communists paraded, not knowing they had a permit, and were surprised when no one paid any attention to them.

A prominent Oklahoma banker, here recently, was asked whether Governor "Alfalfa Bill" Murray was really going to run for the Democratic presidential nomination. "I don't know," he replied, "but I saw him on the street the other day—wearing a 'Murray for President' button."

YOU'RE WISE, JOE

JOLIET, Ill.—Although eligible for parole, Joseph White, convicted robber at Joliet prison, asked the parole board if he might remain behind the bars for another year at least. His reason for the odd request was that he feared to go out into the world during the depression. His request was granted.

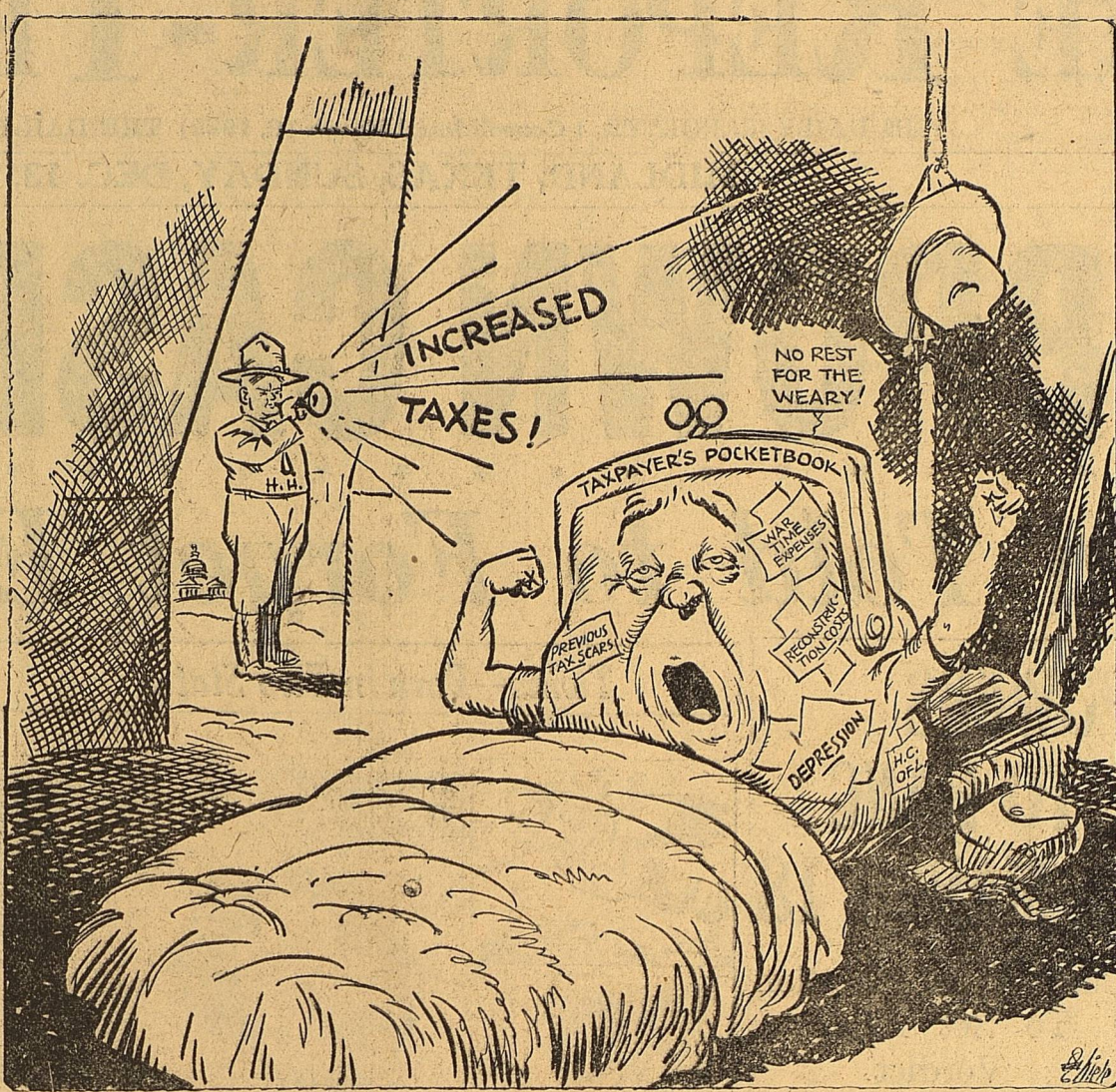
STICKERS



Here is a score board partly filled in. Each of the squares should contain a number smaller than 16. When completed there should be no repeated numbers and the score in each of the four long rows should be the same. Can you complete it?

Advertisement for 'GIVE A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION TO THE Reporter-Telegram' featuring a cartoon character and a key logo.

Oh, How He Hates to Get Up in the Morning!



Bridge Classic Has All Hullabaloo of Prize Fight

By PAUL HARRISON NEA Service Writer

NEW YORK.—Heralded for many months by challenges, charges, news reels of the principals in training, magazine articles, radio talks, accusations, extravagant predictions, and the posting of \$6000 in wagers, the "bridge battle of the century" proved such a triumph that it got away to a somewhat unsteady start.

No gladiators of prize ring or arena ever went through such harrowing—or gratifying—experiences just prior to a major engagement. For five solid hours Ely Culbertson and Sidney Lenz and their partners had posed for photographers, made meaningless plays for the movies, parroted carefully-rehearsed speeches into talkie and radio microphones, granted interviews, conducted an eight-course dinner, and boosted their respective contract bridge systems.

The scene of the first half of the 150-rubber match, which will continue for weeks, is the rose drawing room of the Culbertson suite in the swanky Hotel Chatham.

The place was in chaos on the opening night, but the beaming Mr. Culbertson minded not at all. Three sound cameras dug out their spiked tripods into Mrs. Culbertson's best rug. A network of electrical cables covered the floor. Four hot and powerful flood lights brought out more than nervous perspiration on the faces of the formally clad contestants. Eight "still" cameramen clamored for special poses. Microphones were concealed behind everything, including Mr. Lenz.

Down the hall Culbertson had rented the whole floor for the amazing show; press associations had installed their wires and clicking instruments in one of the two press rooms. Operators sat ready to flash bulletins to a beardless world if the beaming Jacoby should trump Lenz's ace.

In another room five stenographers sat ready to record every detail of the play—the hands, the tricks, the bids. Four other persons, themselves experts at contract, were ensconced near the playing table to make original copies of the hands. Two referees, appointed respectively by Culbertson and Lenz, received instructions from the head referee, Lieut. Alfred M. Gruenther, splendent in the dress uniform of an artillery officer.

Referee's Difficult Task Lieut. Gruenther, who admitted that he is the outstanding authority on duplicate bridge in this country, has the delicate task of making sure that the team members stick to their respective systems. If Mr. Jacoby, for instance, should lapse into the "official" system in some emergency, it would be an admission of the merit of Culbertson's method.

Scores of kibitzers were clamoring at the door of the drawing room when actual tournament play finally got under way. The Culbertson children, Bruce and Joyce, provided one interruption by parading in from the nursery and yelling for Santa Claus.

Another delay came when Mrs. Culbertson dropped her glasses and someone stepped on them. The classic "grudge match" began finally when Culbertson said: "Well, Sid, old boy, we'll have to get this thing started."

Stated communications first Tuesday of each month, 7:30. All members and visiting Chapter Masons invited. M. D. JOHNSON, H. P. Claude O. Crane, Secy.

Pilot Saves Lives By His Maneuvers

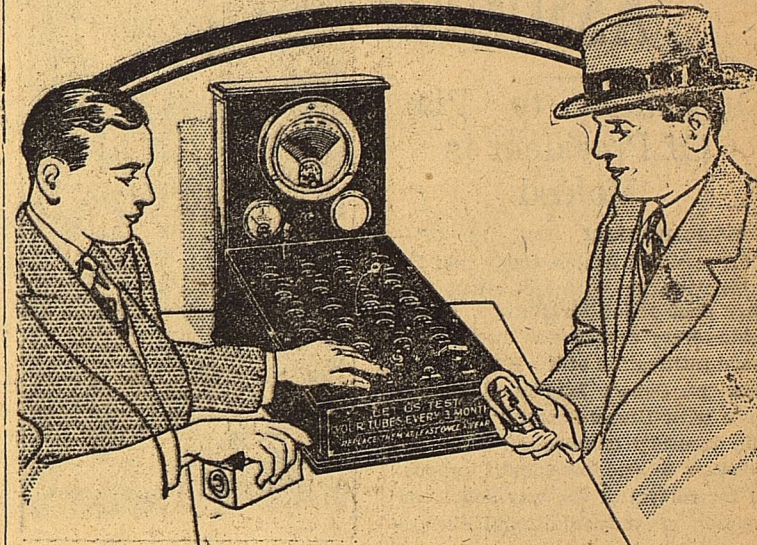
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 12.—Citizens of three villages in Illinois and Indiana plan to petition for a hero's medal for Pilot M. D. (Doc) Ator, of the American Airways system, for saving eight lives and the village of Wallace, Indiana, from destruction by fire in the last six months.

Early in the morning of May 9, Ator, while flying the Chicago-Atlanta mail, aroused the occupants of a burning house in Centralia, Ill., who fled the structure before the roof collapsed. A widowed mother and her two children were in the house.

Next Ator discovered a brush and grass fire advancing upon the village of Wallace, Indiana, on the night of August 1. Before he could arouse the sleeping citizens several of the home were badly burned by the sweeping flames and the thankful citizenship afforded Ator full credit for saving their lives and property from the flames.

Ator's most recent rescue was on the night of Oct. 29 when he detected a fire on a farm near Lowell, Indiana. He flew from his regular course to the scene and aroused two men, who came from a burning house bearing three sleeping children. Ator then flew over Lowell and by aerial maneuvers aroused the town. The Lowell fire department rushed to the scene and saved

Advertisement for 'WELCOME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR A SUBSCRIPTION TO Reporter-Telegram' with a starburst graphic.



See your Tubes Tested Read the Results for Yourself!

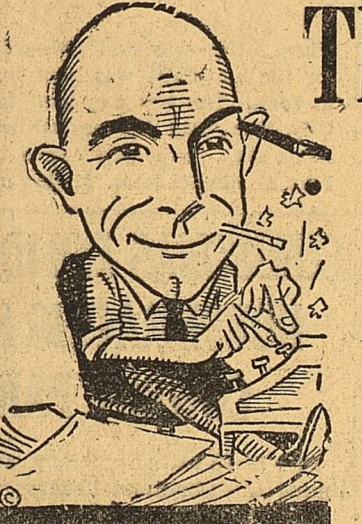
NOW you can be sure that your radio tubes are in perfect condition. You need no longer suffer inferior reception because some of your tubes are worn out or defective.

Our new Jewell Tube-Checker will show you the condition of your tubes. Anybody can read tests on this tube tester accurately, because it reads in terms of tube merit. The meter definitely points out whether the tube is Satisfactory, Doubtful or Unsatisfactory.

Poor tubes spoil performance of the finest radio sets. Good tubes cost so little that every inefficient tube in your receiver should be replaced.

Why not keep your radio set performing just like new? Bring your tubes in and see them tested on this big Jewell Instrument. It's a sure way to the most satisfactory results from your radio set!

Phone 438 and we will test your tubes free of charge and tell you the price of genuine R. C. A. Radiotrons. Remember, you are under no obligation to buy. First-class radio repairing at reasonable prices. PHILCO RADIOS \$37.50 UP CONNOR ELECTRIC CO.



The Town Quack

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

I've heard of a man who is popular with the women, not because he is good looking or particularly clever, or prone to flirt, but because he makes this frank statement, every once in a while: "My wife scolds me a great deal, but every scolding she has given was deserved by me."

There's a case that will fit most men, but few will come across and admit it.

And, I don't say a wife shouldn't be scolded now and then, but not many men will try it.

This is tragic: When a man who has always been spoken of as handsome and graceful begins to get pelted.

Somebody said not long ago that they believed it was customary for editors to say "we" in writing so

that if anyone objected to what was written it would sound like there was a whole bunch of editors in the office. Well, here's another one. After a man has been editor for a while he would like to be a reporter again. A reporter can pass the buck but an editor can't.

An old story: Little Johnny remained in the school room after school had been dismissed. "Why don't you go home, Johnny?" asked the teacher. "Well, there is a new baby at our house, and I'll get the blame for it," said little Johnny. "Pop blames me for everything that happens at our house."

Limit Sandwich Shop is now open. Jay King. (Adv.)

The Former H. B. DORSEY BOOT SHOP Now Owned and Operated by BOB & TOM 111 W. Texas Ave.

Advertisement for Christmas toys: IT'S CHRISTMAS ALREADY IN TOYLAND—SEE THE GAY LIGHTS ON THE TINSEL-LADEN TREES! HARK TO THE TUNE OF THE TINKLING MUSIC BOXES! LISTEN CAREFULLY—That's Baby Doll crying "Mamma"; yes, those are the toy dogs and cats barking and mewling; there's the siren on the toy fire truck! What exciting sounds—what thrilling sights! For the young folks it's Paradise; for the older, inspiration. COME! BRING YOUR KIDDIES! COME!

Advertisement for Perry Brothers: ADDED CONVENIENCE FOR BUSY SHOPPERS. In order to make gift shopping easier for those who are busy during the day, we will keep our store Open Until 9 o'Clock Every Night Beginning Monday Until Christmas We are listing below only a few of the hundreds upon hundreds of Toys and Gifts in our store:

Advertisement for Perry Brothers: PERRY BROTHERS 5c-10c-25c STORE



THE STORE THAT IS FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

WE WILL MAKE YOUR SHOPPING PLEASANT

Months of preparation have been given to making your Christmas shopping a pleasure. There is pleasure and joy for all in Christmas giving, sincere pride from making others happy. Add to this the delight of shopping where selections are vast, stocks fresh and complete and where the Spirit of Yuletide fills the air. We want your pleasure from shopping at this store to be identical with the pleasure you get from your Christmas giving.

SHOP EARLY

ONLY TEN MORE SHOPPING DAYS ARE LEFT

Anticipating the pre-Christmas rush, we have added to our sales force and are making every effort to wait on our customers with dispatch, assisting in every way possible to make your Christmas shopping easy. We suggest that you begin early this week and complete your shopping before the stocks are depleted and while the last-minute rush may be avoided. Let us assist you in mailing your packages that go out of town.

GIVE WEARING APPAREL

The Practical Gift
LADIES' COATS

Outstanding values—every one of them! Plains and luxuriously trimmed with lapin, cross-fox, wolf, etc. The newest rough, spongy woolens have been used and the styles are smart. Every inch of their tailoring spells value.
Made by Redfern and by Sterling

\$9.95 to \$49.00

Ladies' Holiday Dresses

Every fashion we are showing in this collection is a bewitching one. There is not a style in this group of satin, crepe and woolen frocks that you wouldn't like to own. Many are lace trimmed, all are delightful in color. Movie-tones, Lillie Ann, Cohn Cummins, Co-Eds, etc.

\$9.95 and \$16.75



Head Dress for Ladies, Misses and Children

Beret sets for ladies and misses, consisting of beret and scarf to match, angoras and wool knits in a gorgeous range of colors from which to make your selection. The set

\$1.95

Berets and tams for ladies and misses. Angoras or wools. A wide range of colors and styles of the plain type or with dainty rolled edges.

50c 75c and \$1.00



LADIES' DAINTY UNDIES

Ladies' crepe dance sets, assorted pastel shades, beautiful designs and all	\$1.95	Ladies' Crepe Dance Sets, pastel shades. Dainty designs.	\$1.95
Kayser's Blue Label Tricornee bloomers, vests, step-ins, and panties	\$1.00	Ladies' Pull-on Kid Gloves, blacks and browns, plains and fancy trims	\$2.85
Rayon Pajamas for ladies. All sizes and assorted colors.	\$1.95	Kayser's Leatherettes, in blacks and browns	\$1.00
Kayser's Rayon Gowns for ladies. Complete range of sizes	\$1.95	Ladies' Sweaters, novelties or plains. Sizes 34 to 44.	\$2.85
Ritzzy Maid Rayon Bloomers for ladies. Extra good quality for	50c	Ladies' Hand-embroidered Gowns, sizes 15 to 17. White and pink	\$1.00
Ladies' Crepe Slips in flesh pink only. All sizes	\$1.95	Ladies' Handkerchiefs in dainty Xmas packing, one, two and three in a box. A wonderful assortment from which to make your selections.	\$1.00

SPECIAL

66x80, 3-lb Cotton Twill, double blankets, in tans, and greys, with colored borders. Each	75c
Flat Crepes. All the good shades and full 40 inches wide. The yard	98c

HOSIERY — THE UNIVERSAL GIFT

Beautiful, dull, sheer finish chiffon hose in all the fall colors, with plain and Lacette tops. \$1.00, \$1.50 **\$1.95**

A HOSIERY SPECIAL FOR CHRISTMAS

A Wayne-Knit service weight, silk-to-top. Complete range of sizes and all new fall shades.

The pair **\$1.00** Two pairs for **\$1.50**

Children's Fay Hose, champagne and white **45c**
Others at, the pair **15 and 25c**

LADIES' HOUSE SHOES

Maid Rite House Slippers for ladies. In crepe or kid leather, with light covered heels and turn soles. Colors: black, blue, green, red and orchid. Sizes 3 to 8. **\$2.85**

Ladies' House Slippers in felts and kids, assorted colors. Some with soft flat soles and with small heel **59c, 98c to \$1.50**

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS BLANKETS

66x80, 4 1/4 lb. pure wool double blankets. Colors rose, blue, lavender, tan and grey	\$5.85
72x84, 4 1/2 lb. part wool double blankets, assorted pastel plaids	\$2.95
66x80, 3 1/2 lb. part wool double blankets, assorted pastel blocks	\$1.89
66x80, 3 lb. single cotton blankets. High shades	\$1.00
Pendleton all wool Indian blanket robes, each	\$7.95
Beautiful rayon and patch work design bed spreads \$3.50 to	\$5.95
Pequod rayon and patch work design pillow cases in Christmas chest	\$3.75

SHEETS, PILLOW CASES and TOWELS

81x90 Garza-sheets	75c
81x99 Garza sheets	85c
42x36 Garza pillow cases	19c
18x36, double thread Cannon Towels, each	19c
Yard-wide Challies, the yard	10c
Blue and white stripe feather tick	15c
Yard-wide Outing, plain and fancy, good quality, the yard	10c
80-Square Prints, hundreds of patterns to select from. The yard	15c
100 per cent New Down-filled Comforts	\$16.75

MEN'S AND BOY'S SUITS

And where is the man or boy who would not appreciate one of these suits?
Curlee Suits for Men. All-wool worsteds, in the new shades of browns, blues and greys. And every suit with two pants **\$25.00**

Our Carlton Suits for boys are made just like dad's, of the same wool worsteds, in the same new fall shades. Sizes 11 to 18. Each with two longies. **\$18.50**

Boys' Knicker Suits with two pair of knit grip knickers in tweeds, greys and browns. Sizes 6 to 12 **\$7.95**

Boys' Longies, assorted solid color flannels. Sizes 12 to 18 **\$2.25**

MEN'S OVERCOATS—Fashioned with style and tailored with precision of fleeces, tweeds and soft worsteds in blues, greys and tans **\$14.85, \$19.85 and \$25.00**

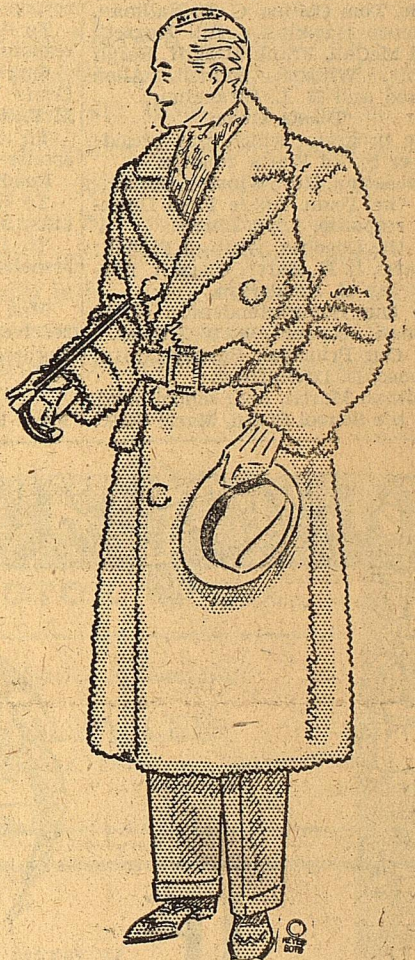
Men's Dress Pants **\$4.85** Boys' Knickers, \$3.50 to **\$2.50**

MEN'S HATS FOR LONG-TO-BE-REMEMBERED GIFTS

Borsalino Hats	\$7.50	Byer-Rolnick Hats	\$4.85
Stetson (silk lined) Hats	\$7.00	Varsity Club (silk lined) Hats	\$3.50

FOR THE BOY

Boys' Pajamas, two-piece (like a man's) broadcloth assorted solid colors, sizes 2 to 14	\$1.00
Boys' two-piece rayon pajamas, assorted solid colors, trim to match. Sizes 2 to 16	\$1.00
Boys' outing pajamas. Two-piece, fancy designs and stripes. Sizes 2 to 14	\$1.00
Boys' Tom Sawyer shirts, novelty patterns and solid color broadcloths. Fast colors	85c
Boys' Sweaters. Novel and snappy patterns or plain solid colors. Pull-over or coat style	\$2.85
Field boots and pull-on boots for boys and girls. Brown, two-tone browns, patent and tan and solid white. Sizes 4 to 7	\$4.95
Boys' Corduroy Boot Pants, blues and tans. Sizes 8 to 16	\$2.50
Boys' size initial handkerchiefs, 3 in a box	50c
Felt House Shoes for boys and girls. Sizes 5 to 7	75c and 98c
Boys' Tie and Belt Sets	\$1.00
Boys' Hickok Belts, genuine walrus	50c
Tie and Handkerchief sets for boys	\$1.00
Boys' Dress Caps, all adjustable.	50c and \$1



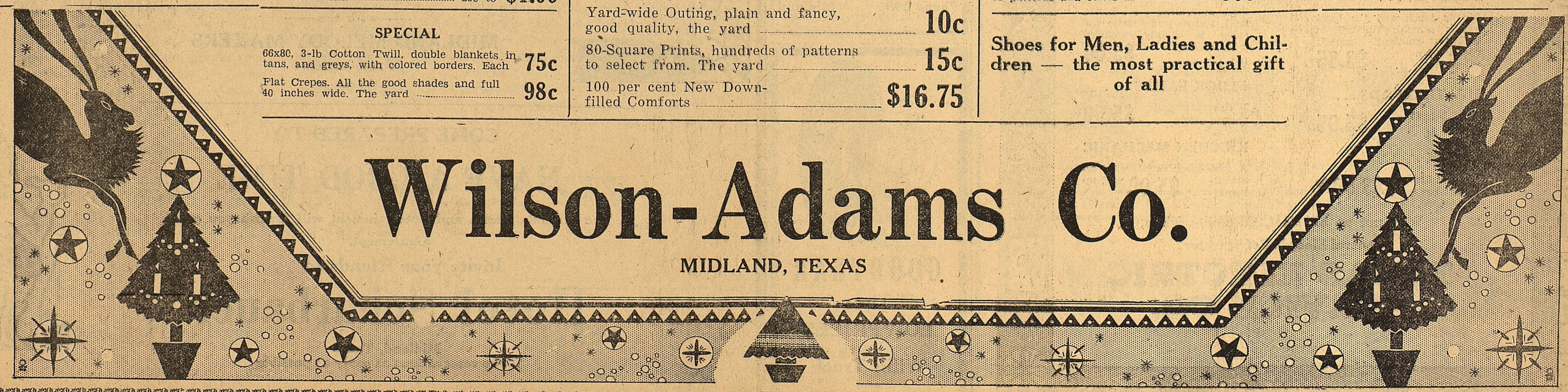
Gifts for Men — Useful — and the Kind They Will Appreciate Most

Men's Daffodil Silk Shirts, solid colors, blue green tan and white	\$4.50
Men's Shirts. Townway fabrics, light grounds with dainty silk designs	\$3.00
Men's Shirts, solid colors in broadcloths and fancy	\$1.95
Men's Robes. Brocaded with Skimmer's Satin trims. Blues, tans and blacks	\$4.95
Men's Robes. All-wool flannel, assorted solid colors. All sizes	\$6.75
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs. Three in a box	50c
Men's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs. Three in a box	\$1.00
Mennin Shaving Set—Soap, cream, powder and Lotion	98c
Men's Kid Leather House Shoes, with soft leather soles	\$2.50
Men's Tie and Handkerchief sets in dainty Xmas packing. \$1.00, \$1.50 and	\$1.95
Vassar Underwear for men. Rayons or broadcloth. Extra good values	\$1.00
Other numbers in Men's Underwear in good rayon or broadcloth, asst. colors	50c
Men's Hickok Belt Sets. Straps of genuine walrus. \$2.00, \$2.50 and	\$3.00
Men's Pajamas, fancy Egyptian designs, solid color broadcloth. All sizes	\$1.95

Shoes for Men, Ladies and Children — the most practical gift of all

Wilson-Adams Co.

MIDLAND, TEXAS



SOCIAL NEWS PAGE FOR WOMEN

Many Attend Annual Bulldog Banquet in Hotel Ballroom Friday Evening; Lavish Decorations in Purple and Gold Used

Following the long established custom of honoring members of the Midland high school football squad at the close of each season, high school students, faculty members, board members and many special guests gathered in the Hotel Scharbauer ball room Friday evening to attend one of the most colorful and elaborate banquets given in the school's history.

Vines of ivy trailed the length of the tables and at intervals yellow candles were placed in yellow holders. In every other holder was a huge gold letter M, carrying out the school's colors.

A purple and gold football, with china bulldogs standing guard on each side, marked the head of the banquet table.

Smaller china bulldogs appointed the place of each football man.

Gorgeous bows and purple ribbons were featured in the center of window drapes and held a large spray of greenery in the center of the ballroom mirror.

At each plate were programs printed in purple and gold, place-cards of the bulldog motif, and nut cups tied with purple ribbons.

Music was furnished by the high school band sitting before a background of shrubbery. Their special feature was a football novelty number.

Recognition was made by high school officials of letter football men who included George Booth, Loyd Burris, Tom Collins, G. B. Hallman, Lawrence Hawkins, Bill Hogsett, Mead McCall, Frank Midkiff, Ralph Parrott, Whitten Pinnell, Allen Sherrod and H. L. Straughan.

Toasts Given
The program, which was presided over by Ed Watts, follows:

Invocation, Rev. Winston Borum.

To the Team, Annie Faye Dunagan, response, Loyd Burris.

To the Coaches, Whitten Pinnell; response, L. K. Barry, Chas. A. Lingo, Bryan C. Henderson.

To Our Superintendent, G. B. Hallman; response, W. W. Lackey.

To Our Principal, Barney Grafa; response, D. D. Shifflett.

Football March, high school band.

To the School Board, Marie Cook;

Helpful Health Suggestions
By Martha Brede-meier

What About An Annual Inventory?

Do you care whether you live long or comfortably?

Had you just as soon limp with a lame back as walk straight?

Have you ever had a health examination—an inventory of your body?

The periodic health examination is a simple procedure whereby a person visits his physician at regular intervals and receives a complete examination. The object is to know definitely what is his physical condition.

Every business house takes at least an annual inventory of stock on hand and other resources. Every owner of an automobile has it regularly inspected and over-hauled to keep it in good running condition. Yet the human body—the most intricate, delicate, yet sturdy machine known—is often neglected until it is too late to save it from disease. The majority of people go on year after year blindly trusting to luck that they are all right.

The principal object of the health examination is prevention. Errors in posture, defects in vision, tendencies to lung and kidney diseases and other troubles may be found out in time to prevent their doing permanent and serious damage.

The periodic health examination is especially important with the young and those past middle life. "Go to your physician before he is called to you."

"Postpone the undertaker's visit as long as possible."

One Side, Please!



Something brand new in a beret is this one made for Southern resort wear which boasts a one-sided half-brim. It is made of bright red faun-suede, a new leather that is so soft it can be manipulated like a fabric. It has a little self-bow that accepts the upswing of the brimless side and slants downward with the brimmed half.

Margaret Mims Is Honoree on Fifth Birthday

In celebration of her fifth birthday, Margaret Mims was honoree at a Christmas party given by her mother, Mrs. P. J. Mims, Friday afternoon.

Features delighting the guests were snow covered trees with bases filled with candies which were given as favors, and the brightly lighted Christmas tree which centered the dining table.

The birthday cake was adorned with sprigs of holly and red candles in red holders. The party plates carried molded jello and individual candies in marshmallow holders.

Mrs. Harry Roberts and Mrs. Claude Crane assisted the hostess.

The guests were Charles Barron, Edith, Allen and Ted Wemple, Marjorie Barron, Dolores Barron, Fran-

cis Lynn Meeks, Mary Jean Hull, Nancy Goodman, Doris Lynn Pemberton, Faye Dublin, Jane Hill, Erlene and Edna Roberts, Liza Jane Lawrence, Beth and Ruth Reeves, Allen Crane, James and Margaret Mims.

"Brothers in the West," Harper Bros. 1931 Prize Nouel, Added to Library Rent Shelf

By Kathleen Eiland

The prize novel of Harper Brothers for 1931, Robert Reynolds' "Brothers in the West," has recently been placed on the library rent shelf.

As the title implies, the theme of the book is the unflinching bond between two brothers—a theme that at least has the merit of not being over-worked in modern literature.

The book opens with the wanderings alone of David and Charles, huge, powerful brothers of overwhelming personality. It closes with their last wanderings alone. In between comes the story of their love and their wandering with their women—at first with only Karin, later also with Carola—their working people, and their goods like the patriarchs of old. There is the story of their settling of the great mountain ranch whose life and spirit revolved about the two big brothers. And there is the story of their answer to the final call of the wild.

The brothers are the dominant characters of the book—David moody, strange and magnetic, and Charles gay, laughter-loving and sympathetic. These two are lawless—rather they seem not to realize the existence of law, either God's or man's, and so act exactly as they want to. The two brothers remain true to type throughout the book.

The two other characters of any importance, Karin whom both the brothers loved, and Jean Grosjean do not develop consistently. Karin, who at first in the story is coarse and not so good as she should be, becomes an unusually gentle and beautiful soul, just how the reader hardly understands. In the same way, little Jean Grosjean at first a weak, jealous and rather despicable coward becomes a peaceful, lovable person and, what is more amazing, something of a scholar who can keep a well-written journal of the wanderings of the brothers.

"Brothers in the West" is different from the usual type of pioneer or wanderers' story. It is well-written and a rather successful portrait of the two brothers who are in their very essence part of the wildness and bigness of untamed lands.

The weakness of the book, and it is a great one, lies in its stressing of lawlessness in love and its frequent vulgarity in conversation. It is unfortunate that an author who can write so ably as Robert Reynolds has proved he can, should spend so much of his time on themes which are not calculated to ennoble mankind.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nance left last night for their ranch, to be gone several days.

R. L. York returned to Midland Friday from Mineral Wells where he has been visiting his family who are with relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Patteson are spending the week end with relatives in San Angelo.

R. B. Boyle of the Texas Electric Service company in Fort Worth is in Midland this week end.

Your Home Paper—\$4 Year—NOW

Thursday Members Play Bridge at Hazeltine Home

Members of the Thursday club played contract bridge Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jack Hazeltine.

The hostess served party refreshments at the close of the afternoon to Mes. M. R. Jackson, W. C. Kinke, J. B. Lovejoy, George Abell, C. L. Jackson, Allen Hargrave, and Joe Hemphill.

Advertisement for D. H. ROETTGER Jeweler, featuring jewelry like watches, diamonds, and rings. Includes text: 'IF CUPID PLAYED SANTA HE'D unquestionably give the ladies jewels. Because that's what they secretly long for. You can take a tip from Cupid.' and 'Hamilton and Elgin Watches Diamond Rings—Pins and Pendants Seth Thomas and Hammond Electric Clocks Sterling and Plated Silverware Novelties D. H. ROETTGER JEWELER "Gitts That Last"'

Large advertisement for Texas Electric Service Co. featuring a woman's face and the slogan 'IF you could read her thoughts...'. It lists various household appliances and their prices: Vacuum Cleaner (\$37.50), Percolator (\$3.50), Waffle Iron (\$6.65), Electric Iron (\$3.95), Toaster (\$3.85), Electric Grill (\$5.00), Heating Pads (\$5.95), Floor Lamps (\$5.50), Clock (\$3.50), Kitchen Mechanic (\$5.00). It also mentions 'Why not an all steel, glistening white, General Electric Refrigerator?' and 'TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE CO.' with phone numbers.

WANTED advertisement for Farmers Co-operative Gin. Includes a question mark and contact information: Phone 199 Midland.

Advertisement for Goodyear tires. Features a cartoon tire character and text: 'GOODYEAR Tires LOW PRICES Willis Truck and Tractor Co. Phone 899'.

Large advertisement for Hotel Scharbauer Watch Party New Year's Eve. Includes text: '1932 Hotel Scharbauer WATCH PARTY New Year's Eve Ring out the Old — Ring in the New THIS WILL BE THE MOST ELABORATE WATCH PARTY EVER GIVEN IN MIDLAND There will be available fifteen private dining rooms on the mezzanine floor for the special \$1.50 dinner to be served at 8 o'clock. No extra charge for use of rooms. DANCE —at— 9 o'Clock —with the— MIDLAND MELODY MAKERS 8-Piece Orchestra \$2 Couple COME PREPARED TO HAVE A GOOD TIME The Mid-nite Dance and Entertainment will furnish you great amusement. Invite your friends to Hotel Scharbauer Midland, Texas Make reservations as early as possible'.

Bible Class Will Give Basket on Christmas

The Belmont Bible class met with Mrs. D. E. Holster Friday afternoon. Mrs. J. M. King conducted a lesson from the fifth chapter of Acts.

Bien Amigos Club Guests of Mrs. C. A. Mix

The yuletide motif was attractively reflected in the party arrangement for the Bien Amigos club when Mrs. C. A. Mix entertained at her home Thursday afternoon.

CHURCHES

CHURCH OF CHRIST Bible study—9:45 a. m. Preaching and communion—11 a. m.

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Mass on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and Thursdays at 7:30 a. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH Christian Science services will be held in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer. Sunday services are at 11 a. m. and Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Edwin C. Calhoun, Pastor All regular services have been announced for the church during Sunday.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH W. J. Coleman, Pastor Church-school Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Winston Borum, Pastor The pastor will speak this morning at 11 o'clock, using the theme, "God's Signal Service."

Party Honors Elmo Smith on 22nd Birthday

A surprise party was given in honor of Mr. Elmo Smith on his 22nd birthday at his home on South Fort Worth street Friday evening.

Bridge games furnished the entertainment. Miss Mary Francis Collier was winner of high score and Miss Hazel Marie Graham received the high cut.

Refreshments were served to Misses Jeanette Tyner, Hazel Marie Graham, Julia Davis, Ernestine Bryant, Mary Frances Collier, Elva Smith, Mrs. C. E. Smith, Messrs. Dolman Blankenship, George Bennett, Mac McCumber, Doc Thurman, McCleskey, Paul Spenser and Smith.

ing at 11 o'clock. Young people's meetings Sunday evening at 8:30. Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Winston Borum, Pastor The pastor will speak this morning at 11 o'clock, using the theme, "God's Signal Service."

"The Difference Between a Fool and a Wise Man" will be the pastor's subject at the evening hour. This service starts at 7:30 with orchestra concert, and continuing with old-fashioned song service, led by the pastor and assisted by two pianos, full orchestra and choir.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Howard Peters, Pastor 9:45 a. m.—Church school meets with classes for all ages.

LUTHERAN CHURCH Rev. W. G. Buchschacher, Pastor Big Spring Service every second Sunday and fourth Sunday afternoon, 3 o'clock, at Trinity chapel, corner Colorado

Announcements

Monday Circles of the Presbyterian auxiliary: Circle A meets with Mrs. Fred Turner, Mrs. Frank Wolcott, leader; Circle B with Mrs. Harry Adams, 606 North Marienfield, Mrs. Paul Young, leader. Both meetings at 3 o'clock.

Rijnhart circle will have a meeting at the Christian church parsonage at 2:30.

Methodist auxiliary circles: Mary Scharbauer members with Mrs. J. P. Collins and Belle Bennett with Mrs. Fred Wemple at 3 o'clock.

Circles of Baptist W. M. S.: Northwest members with Mrs. Zola Preston, 707 North Marienfield; Northeast members with Mrs. R. O. Walker, 1201 North Main; Southwest members with Mrs. John Hicks and Southeast members with Mrs. J. H. Williamson, 305 East Kentucky; all meetings at 3:30.

Tuesday Y. W. A. will meet with Miss Lois Walker at 7 o'clock.

Church of Christ Bible class at the church at 3:30.

Edelweiss club party at the home of Mrs. Hayden Miles at 3 o'clock.

Wednesday Women's Choral club practice at Hotel Scharbauer at 7 p. m.

Special Christmas program of the Mother's Self Culture club will be held at 3:30 at the Co-Workers' class room. Members and guests are invited. Mrs. Duke Kimbrough will be hostess.

Wednesday club program at the home of Mrs. Frank Elkin at 3 o'clock.

Thursday Country club bridge party at the and Wall.

Theme for Sunday: "Our Attitudes Toward the Signs of the Times." Subject matter deals with the second coming of Christ for judgment. Sunday school at 2:30.

Limit Sandwich Shop is now open. Jay King. (Adv.)

1,000 Cigar Workers Walk Out When Reading to Men on Job Is Cut Out

TAMPA, Fla. (NEA)—Because ten thousand makers of cigars want entertainment with their toll, they're out on one of the most unusual strikes ever recorded.

That was the point of disagreement when the 10,000 employes ducked out of their benches Nov. 27 and walked out of 150 of the Tampa cigar factories. Industry immediately was partially paralyzed, one person in every four was affected.

Violence Spreads Since then the issues have become more complex, and what originally was a three-day holiday has turned into a siege of violence. The strikers first stayed out only 72 hours, in protest, and returned to their jobs ready to work. But they found that their walk-out had resulted in a lock-out. Manufacturers issued a statement saying that the workers had voluntarily left their benches and that there were no jobs for them until they dismissed the idea that inflammatory articles could be read in factories.

Later the operators considered a compromise and recalled them. But it was too late. The strikers were reminded by soap-box orators that 17 alleged Communists had been arrested in a riot, in which a policeman was seriously injured, and had been held for several days on charges of attempted murder. So the strikers decided to stay out in protest against the incarceration of their "comrades."

Clashes Follow Since then events have come thick and fast. Communists and sympathizers have paraded the streets, waving red flags and singing Soviet airs. School children have deserted their desks and marched to the Labor Temple. Arrests were made after two riots were incited at high schools. Red banners have been nailed to the tops of churches and other buildings. Police have raided the headquarters of the Communist party. Threats of sabotage have been made against public buildings as well as cigar factories. And numerous riots have occurred in the factory districts in which several persons have been injured.

A committee of 25 citizens, formed for offensive movement against imported agitators, predicts that the uprising will end "in disastrous failure for the Reds." Some 500 other citizens have offered their aid to busy police.

Partial compromises have been effected, only to be rejected by the outbreak of fresh rioting.

Old Custom at Stake The cigar workers are virtually all of Latin extraction, have forgotten their initial grievance under the inflammatory direction of agitators. Shrewd Communist organizers are said to have recognized the traditional reading system as fertile ground for their propaganda. Day after day, month after month, the readers, who are hired by the cigar workers themselves, have droned through magazines, books and newspapers. Gradually, it is charged, more and more articles favorable to Communism have been included in the reading matter. Constant repetition of Red ideals and ideas has done its work.

When the workers do return, factory heads are determined that their plants shall not again be used as rostrums for agitators.

Piquant



The white wool evening dress is something new and smart. Schlappe-fashioners are of wool of greater sheerness in the new molded fashion with a skirt that flares only below the knees, and tops it with a charming little rose velvet corduroy jacket that fastens up in diagonal manner and then ties a bow at the throat. The sleeves have fitted cuffs, a jaunty, practical touch that adds piquancy to the dressy ensemble of the entire costume.

seriously in an accident last week.

Mrs. P. M. Bristow and daughter, Miss Bertie Bow Bristow, of Stanton, were in Midland visiting Saturday afternoon.

John Masterson of the Atlantic

Production company was here from San Angelo Saturday morning.

Lee Satterwhite of Odessa was in Midland Saturday morning on business.

A. F. Crowley, former Midland resident, was here yesterday, visiting friends. His home is in Fort Worth.

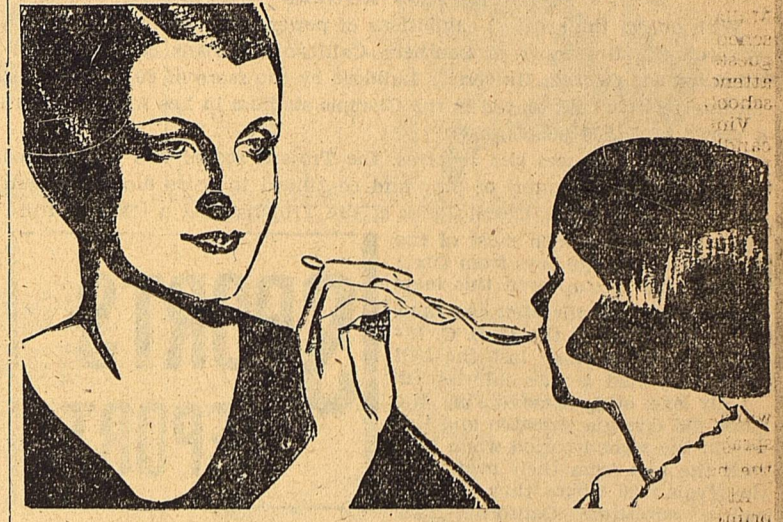
Miss Katherine McKeehan arrived last night from Fort Worth to spend a few days visiting Mrs. B. T. Smith.

Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Claud Cowden and Miss McKeehan expect to leave tomorrow on a trip to El Paso.

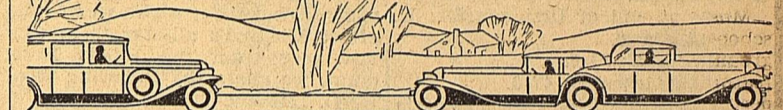
XMAS PROGRAM PLANNED

A special Christmas program has been arranged for the meeting of the Belle Bennett circle of the Methodist auxiliary Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fred Wemple at 3 o'clock.

Reporter-Telegram—NOW—\$4 Year



AN OLD FAMILY REMEDY



OUT OF PLACE IN YOUR ENGINE!

Petroleum jelly—an honored friend in every family medicine cabinet—but what a trouble-maker in your motor oil! Motor oils containing this thick, jelly-like substance have a heavy body when cold—but turn water-thin in engine heat. Sinclair dealers selling Opaline can guarantee a rich, enduring body because petroleum jelly is removed at as low as 60° F. below zero—a temperature much lower than required for just removing wax. Ask the Sinclair dealer.

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The first and only low-priced car with Syncro-Mesh Shift and Free Wheeling The new Chevrolet Six combines the advantages of two inventions... Syncro-Mesh and Free Wheeling... to assure quick, quiet, easy gear-shifting and positive control of the car under every driving condition. One of the biggest driving thrills in modern motoring is now available at one of the very lowest prices in the automobile market. Silent Syncro-Mesh gear-shifting is combined with simplified Free Wheeling in the new and finer Chevrolet Six! No other car offers this double-feature for so little money. Syncro-Mesh is recognized as the most advanced type of transmission ever developed by engineering science. Free Wheeling is that new, up-to-date sensation which adds so much to the zest of driving. The two make a matchless combination! They bring about an entirely new kind of driving ease and car control, far beyond anything you have ever enjoyed before. They give you quick, quiet, easy shifting and complete mastery of the car, under all conditions of road and traffic. They enable you to do things in driving that are impossible to do in a car without both these features. Then, along with these two big motoring thrills—Chevrolet offers you 60-horsepower "six" performance, higher speed, faster acceleration, greater smoothness, smarter Fisher bodies, matchless economy, and a first cost among the lowest in the motor car market. Certainly, it's the great American value for 1932! PRICED AS LOW AS \$475 All prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan. Chevrolet Motor Company, Detroit, Michigan. Division of General Motors. Low delivered prices. Easy G.M.A.C. terms. NEW CHEVROLET SIX THE GREAT AMERICAN VALUE FOR 1932 SEE YOUR DEALER BELOW Fred Turner, Jr. Chevrolet, Inc. 111 S. Colorado Midland, Texas

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams of Tonkawa, Okla., left Saturday for their home after spending a few days here on business.

L. H. Tiffin has returned to Midland from a business trip to Pecos, Fort Stockton and Wink.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blair returned Friday night from Clovis, N. M., where they were with her father, Dr. W. A. Bullock, who was injured club house at 3 o'clock.

Friday Belmont Bible class will meet with Mrs. T. S. Nettleton, 506 North Lorraine street, at 3 o'clock.

Saturday Boys' and Girls World club at the Methodist church at 3:30.

Children's story hour at the court house from 2:30 until 3:30.

The "Eyes" have it At last, a radio that's perfection to hear—and perfection to look at. It's obvious that Westinghouse is going to be the pioneer in radio beauty as well as radio brains. Come in and hear what a "modern" radio really means. Westinghouse Radio PETROLEUM ELECTRIC CO. Phones 878 & 829-J Petroleum Building

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BIGGEST UPSET OF SEASON AS USC UPSETS CRACKERS, 60 TO 0

NEARER HOME, ABILENE WALLOPS LUBBOCK, 13-0; CORSICANA AND GREENVILLE WIN THEIR AFFAIRS

By JESS ROGERS

With one of the greatest exhibitions of power football ever shown on a gridiron the University of Southern California Trojans completely annihilated the Georgia University Bulldogs by the score of 60-0. This was an intersectional tilt played in the Olympic stadium in Los Angeles before a crowd of 75,000 people.

Using only spinners and reverses, the Trojans scored two touchdowns in the first five minutes of play and continued to score almost at will throughout the game. Coach Jones of the Trojans used a team of third and second string men most of the last quarter but the boys from Dixie were unable to stop even this team and were only to threaten one time, when they went to the U. S. C. 15-yard line where they lost the ball when they had a pass intercepted.

Only one other time during the game did Georgia threaten and this was in the second period when they took the ball from their own 20 to the Trojan 20 where they fumbled and a substitute California half caught the ball before it reached the ground and raced 80 yards for a touchdown.

Score at end of first quarter: U. S. C. 14, Ga. 0.
End of half: 33-0.
Final score: U. S. C. 60, Georgia 0.

As the Trojans defeated the Georgia team by a much larger margin than did Tulane, the Jonesmen are overwhelmingly favored to defeat the Green Wave when the two teams meet in the Rose Bowl game Jan. 1.

The army overpowered the navy in their charity game in New York in three of the four quarters to sink the Middies by the score 17-7. The navy showed to advantage only in the third period when they scored all their points when Kim tossed a pass 45 yards to Churgy, an end, who raced the remaining 15 yards across the goal. The other three quarters were army's by a large margin.

In Texas high school football games Saturday, the Abilene stock

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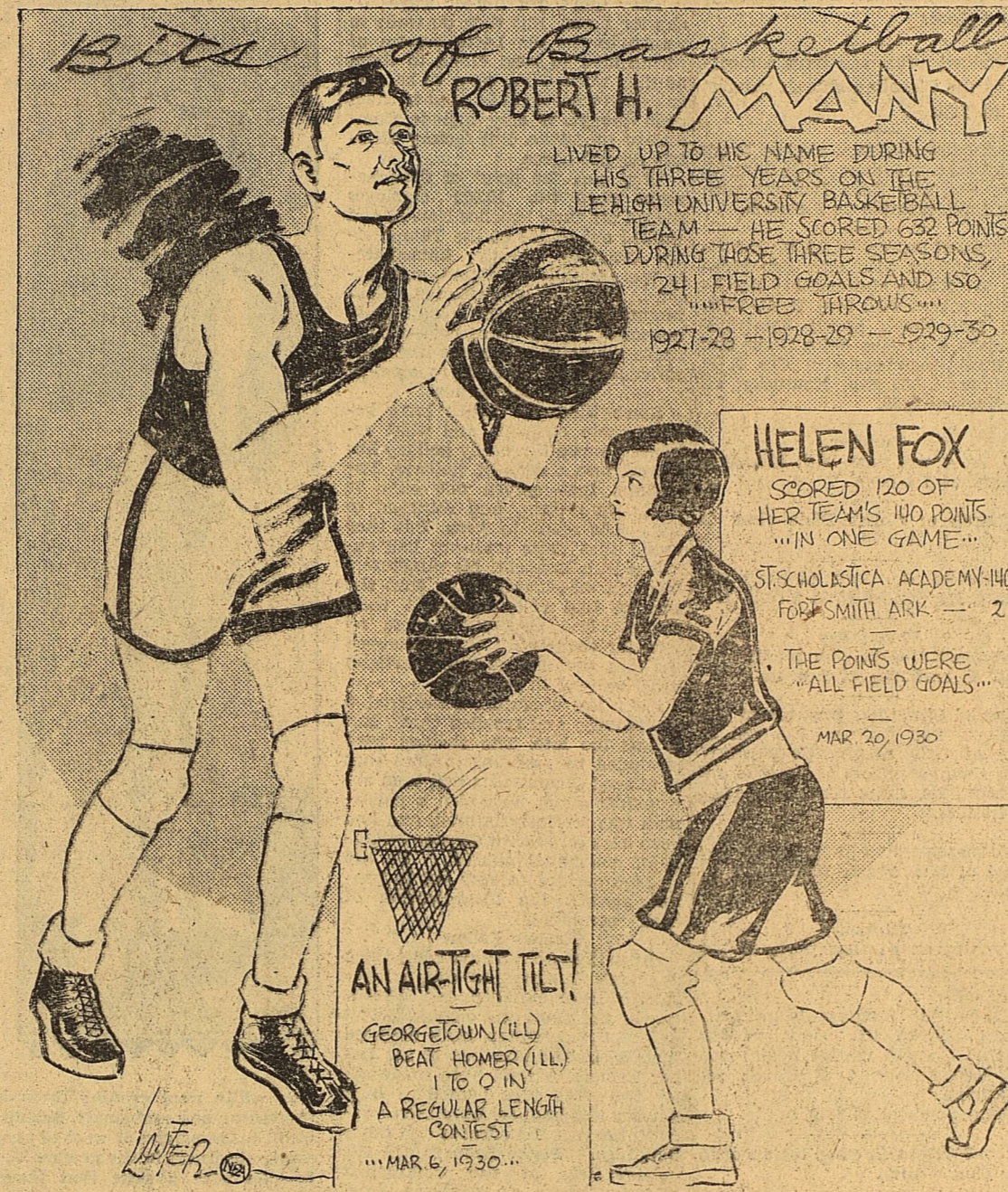
By R. C. SHINKLE
Relative to a story run in The Reporter-Telegram last week, the general context of which was to the effect Midland's all-star team won last year from the Elliott Hotel quint, we quote the following from R. D. Shinkle, Odessa chamber of commerce secretary and correspondent of this newspaper:

"Friend Sports Reports: 'Probably in my haste to write up the article I made an error that

took a rise while that of Corsicana took a fall. With Wyatt carrying the ball most of the time the Eagles defeated the Lubbock Westerners by the score 13-0. With their great line functioning perfectly and little Wyatt ripping through the Lubbock team time after time the Eagles were never seriously pressed after scoring in the first quarter.

The Corsicana team was hard pressed to defeat the light but fast team from Austin by the score 7-6 Greenville defeated Central High of Fort Worth by the score 31-0.

BRUSHING UP SPORTS . . . By Laufer



has drawn considerable comment among the fans in Odessa. It is not odd, as you have noted, that I might omit a word now and then. In the second paragraph of the enclosed article what was intended was: "The all-star team of Midland WAS defeated BY the Odessa quintette." The words "was" and "by" seems to be the cause for numerous phone calls I received this morning. An enclosing copy taken from score book. If you can make correction I

will thank you.
"Sincerely,
"R. D. Shinkle."
We can easily see how the mistake came about. In the first place Shinkle writes such good newspaper copy that we are apt to throw his stuff back without the formality of much editing. Then, too, Shinkle writes so fast that he completely leaves out a word now and then. He even tells us he doesn't always get the last word with his wife. And notice, will you, that he spells "thank" in this manner: "tank." Left out a letter there when his typewriter keys banked.

Anyway Shinkle sends in the scoring of the Elliott boys for the season:
Jan. 20—Texas Electric (Midland) 18, Elliott Hotel (Odessa) 34.
Jan. 17—Midland Clinic and All Stars 29, Elliott Hotel 45.
Jan. 24—California Oil (Midland) 17, Elliott Hotel 30.
Feb. 15—Southern Ice (Midland) 21, Elliott Hotel 61.
At Rankin Tournament—Midland All-Stars 18, Elliott Hotel 35.
At the Wink Tournament—Midland All-Stars 18, Elliott Hotel 43.

Shinkle also writes:
"The invitation high school basketball tournament which was announced to be held Jan. 22 and 23 has been changed, according to Coach Swain of the Odessa Hi Bronchos, to Jan. 15 and 16. This change was made so that there would be no conflict with the McCamey tournament. Invitations are being mailed out today and a large attendance is expected. These tournaments will be held on the Odessa high school court."

Assistant Coach George Brown, who is hereby given a black eye for his connection with the Big Spring Steers some of you remember, hove in sight about the middle of the morning with car briar between his teeth. Looked quite subdued. He acted as emissary to us from Tiny Reed, who has officiated in numerous games here. Tiny swiped our pipe when at a recent game and carried it to his mother country, where he tried to get some irresponsible person to put perfume on it. The pipe didn't seem to have lost any of its strength, however, so we infer none of the dimpled lassies of the Scenic Drive city took a chance on a walk with it.

Brown says Big Spring is like Midland as regards gridiron prospects for next year. Says the big boys there go the way of all graduates this June. We asked him if Tack Dennis and a few other Indian territory recruits had no brothers and he scowled so darkly that we changed the question to an invitation to have a cup of coffee. Sweetwater and San Angelo will have practically their entire strength back, he said. The Mighty Mike Hicks, who tamed down to a mere

Letters Are Mailed By Rev. Coleman

A letter urging the attendance of members of the Presbyterian church has been mailed this week by the Rev. W. J. Coleman, pastor.

The letter follows:
Dear Christian Friend:
Have you ever stopped to consider "are there any real reasons why I should go to church"? You are sincere in telling yourself from Sunday to Sunday that you have good reasons for not going to church. I must tell you frankly, however, that there are vastly more important reasons why you should go, and we are revealing some of these reasons on Sunday morning, Dec. 13 at 11:00 o'clock, in a message, "Why I Ought to Go to Church."

On the same date, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, we will have for a sermon subject, "Religion As a Cash Proposition." Perhaps you have never thought of it in this sense. One man, who is really a success in the business world—he is living today, too—says, "I have reached the definite conclusion that my investment in religion is paying me better returns than my bonds, stocks, first mortgages or any other secular investment."

These two sermons have been prayerfully prepared for you. Shall they be in vain, or will you be present to receive them.

We sincerely plead with you to make a special effort to be present for one or both of these services, if you do not go to some other church.

Your humble servant in Christ Jesus,
W. J. COLEMAN, Pastor, First Presbyterian church.

ball team would like very much to match a game with you. We can play here on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights and can play at Midland most any night that would be convenient with you, provided you will return the game. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,
"Yours very truly,
"Roland L. Lowe."

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MIDLAND LODGE No. 623 A. F. & A. M.

Stated communications 2nd and 4th Thursday night in each month at 7:30 o'clock. All members and visiting Masons invited.
Henry Butler, W. M.
Claude O. Crane, Secy.

PETER'S ALL AT SEA —HAS NO COUNTRY
LONDON—Peter Russell is a man without a country. Although he has crossed the Atlantic between England and America seven times in as many months, he is forbidden to land in either country.

A London-born man, Russell joined the U. S. Navy 12 years ago, taking an oath of allegiance to the United States. In 1929 he was discharged with rank of chief petty officer and entered the merchant service as an officer.

Last December immigration officials asked him if he had taken out papers since leaving the navy. When Russell answered negatively, they had him sent back to England. When English immigration authorities learned he had served eight years in the U. S. Navy they refus-

ed to let him land. Since, however, he has been allowed to stay in England providing he can find work.

His wife and children are in Norfolk, Va.

Midland Lodge No. 145 of KNIGHTS PYTHIAS Meets every Monday night at Castle Hall over Hokus-Pokus Store. Frank Stubbeman, C. C. R. D. Lee, K. R. S.

The Difference Between Cold and Comfort

The striking of a match and the turning of a valve is the only difference we may immediately realize. But to produce comfort instead of cold requires several hundred miles of pipe lines and an army of men who work diligently at their task of furnishing you with good gas service.

Gas Service

Eternal vigilance on the part of all employees is necessary to insure you against discomfort in such weather as the recent cold waves. Daily in the face of beating storms, through ice and snow and over wind-swept roads, employees carry on—for on them is the responsibility of preventing an interruption of the unfailing gas service you have come to expect.

West Texas Gas Company

Important Announcement From Station S. T. T. (SANTA'S TOY TOWN) "Toy Department Now Open" McMULLAN'S Open Saturdays Until 10 p. m. Acorn Store Location Midland

LOWER GIFT PRICES Christmas gift goods are selling here this season at prices from one third to one half less than last year. We have a splendid assortment of attractive and useful gifts that will be appreciated, priced to save you money and to make your selections easy. SPECIAL CHRISTMAS OFFER This week only we offer you the items listed below at a 10% Discount Dresser Sets \$1.25 to \$30.00 Baby comb and brush sets \$1.25 to \$2.50 Gents' military comb and brush sets \$1.00 to \$6.50 De Vilbiss atomizer sets \$2.50 and up Perfume, compact and powder sets \$1.25 and up Vanities \$1.50 to \$10.00 Kodak albums 75c to \$3.00 Book ends \$1.25 to \$8.50 Yardley's gents' shaving sets \$3.00 and up Come here for Christmas bells, wreaths, seals and decorations of all kinds—Christmas cards and sundries. Midland Drug Co. L. A. Arrington, Prop. Phone 258

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PHONE 77

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FURTHER information will be given gladly by calling—

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2. For Sale or Trade

FIVE-ROOM frame house; practically new; good condition; 601 S. Terrell. N. G. Baker, Box 154, City. 236-3p

CONSOLE-type 5-tube radio battery set with B battery eliminator. Trade for shotgun or rifle. What have you? Also Chevrolet coach driven about 15,000 miles; in perfect condition. Phone 29.

GCOD Jersey and Holstein milch cows for sale. Phone 9013F2. 238-1p

FOR SALE: \$900 worth good second lien notes on land near Midland; \$300.00 for quick sale. Griffin Bros. Waxahachie, Texas. 236-3z

FOR SALE: Highest class cleaning plant in Abilene; a bargain. Write Reporter-Telegram, Midland. 236-3z

200 HIGH GRADE pullets, ready to lay. Inquire Midland Feed store. 236-3p

3. Apartments

Furnished

CLOSE-IN, nicely furnished 3-room apartment, on pavement. Garage. Phone 40 or 79, or apply 410 North Loraine. 235-6z

THREE-ROOM duplex apartment; private bath; partly furnished; garage. J. E. Stephens, phone 578. 238-1p

FURNISHED apartments, unfurnished houses. Seven towns maize for sale. See B. F. Stanley. 238-1p

TWO-ROOM furnished apartment; private bath; all utilities paid. Shadyawn Cottage. 236-3z

6. Houses

Unfurnished

FIVE-room unfurnished house, garage, close in. See Allen Tolbert at Nobles and Tolbert. 238-3z

8. Real Estate

6-ROOM Lubbock home; well located to all schools and Tech college; would trade for Midland residence or close in acreage. O. W. Jolly at saddle shop, Grand theatre, building. 235-3z

NOW at the GRAND BEST SOUND IN TOWN

Their Love
For Him a Brilliant Future
For Her a Tarnished Past!



Constance BENNETT
The COMMON LAW
BY ROBERT W. CHAMBERS
with JOEL MCCREA

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With every CLASSIFIED ad inserted in The Reporter-Telegram for three days or less, cash paid in advance, the Grand theatre management will give one complimentary ticket good any time. If the classified runs for more than three days, two tickets will be given. USE THE CLASSIFIEDS AND GET THE FREE TICKETS TO THE GRAND. Tickets will be given at the newspaper office.

15. Miscellaneous

CHRISTMAS trees, any size; yes, and we deliver. Phone 501. Service Transfer Co., 205 South Main. 237-3p

DR. B. DIEPENBROCK
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Big Spring, Texas

Specializing in cases considered hopeless; can accommodate patients in their homes.

Rates Moderate
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ABLE LINGUIST

LONDON.—What is said to be the most agile tongue in the world belongs to Dr. C. H. Irwin, retired editor and general secretary of the Religious Tract society. Dr. Irwin can probably read and speak more languages than any other living man. Among the list are French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Hungarian, Russian, Dutch, German, Finnish, Serbian, Polish, Czech, Greek, Latin, Hebrew and several native African tongues.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

The PALO de LECHE, THE COW TREE OF THE Tropics!
IT YIELDS A PALATABLE MILK WHEN THE BARK IS CUT OPEN.

AN APARTMENT ROW OF SEVEN INTERLACED NESES WAS BUILT BY A PHOENIX OF NORWICH, CONN.

A "TIGON"
THE OFFSPRING OF A TIGER AND A LIONESS, WAS BORN AT THE LONDON ZOO.

THE SKIDS

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

GEE, BABE—IM GETTIN AN AWFUL WALLOP OUT OF THIS CHRISTMAS

Y'KNOW—ITS TH FIRST TIME IVE EVER BEEN ABLE T'BUY PRESENTS WITH DOUGH THAT IVE EARNED ALL BY MYSELF

BY GOLLY A DOLLAR MEANS A LOT MORE WHEN YOU'VE WORKED FOR IT

I GETCHA— I GETCHA!! IM WAY AHEAD OF YA

WOTTA YA SAY NEITHER ONE OF US SPEND MUCH ON TH' OTHER'S PRESENT, HUH?

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Not a Bad Idea!

BY GOLLY A DOLLAR MEANS A LOT MORE WHEN YOU'VE WORKED FOR IT

I GETCHA— I GETCHA!! IM WAY AHEAD OF YA

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By Martin

WASH TUBBS

BUT HOW DO I KNOW TH' DAGGER I GOT BLONGS TO YOU?

AH, PERHAPS A REWARD OF \$50 ISS NOT ENOUGH, ER? VOT IF I GIF YOU VUN HUNDRED DOLLARS, MY FRIEND? HOW ISS DOT?

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More and More Valuable!

NAW, I THINK I BETTER CONSULT TH' GIRL FIRST. AFTER ALL, SHE'S TH' ONE 'AT LOST IT.

NEIN! NEIN! I GIF \$200.

OR PERHAPS I OUGHTA TURN IT OVER TO THE POLICE, AN' LET THEM SETTLE IT.

NEIN! THREE HUNDRED!!

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By Crane

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

WELL...WHEN ARE YOU BOYS GOING TO SET UP THIS READY-CUT CLUB HOUSE OF YOURS?

JUST AS SOON AS THE KIDS GET THEIR PARTS DONE... I'M GOING TO MEET OSCAR NOW, TO PICK OUT A PLACE FOR IT!!

GEE! ARE WE GOING TO HAVE FUN!!

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Getting Anxious!

THIS IS WHERE WE'LL PUT IT, OSCAR. Y'SEE ITS NICE AN' OPEN HERE... WE CAN SEE ANY ENEMIES THAT MIGHT ATTACK US!

YEAH—THIS SUITS ME.. WHEN DO YOU THINK WE CAN PUT OUR CLUB HOUSE UP? GEE, IM GETTIN' ANXIOUS!!

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By Blosser

SALESMAN SAM

WHASSA MATTER WITH THAT FIGHTER, BATTLEAX? WHY DONT HE MIX IT UP WITH SOME OF TH' FELLAS?

THAT BIRD? OH, HE AIN'T WHAT HE USE TER BE—

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A Free Sample!

AS A MATTER OV FAC', SAM, DE GUY'S PUNCH DRUNK—

WELL, WELL, WELL! I WOULDN'T MIND HAVIN' A BIT OF THAT PUNCH MYSELF!

SOCK DOWN SOME DOUGH FOR CHRISTMAS SEALS, NOW!

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By Small

OUT OUR WAY

I'VE A LITTLE SURPRISE FOR YOU, DAVE— I'M GOIN' TO PUT THIS YOUNG FELLER ON YOUR BIG MACHINE AN' GIVE YOU A MUCH LIGHTER AN' EASIER JOB

GOODNIGHT! AFTER WORKIN' HARD ALL HIS LIFE, THER GIVIN' OL DAVE A SOFT JOB— AN' HE DONT SEEM T' LIKE IT A BIT

WELL, IN A WAY YOU CANT BLAME HIM— THAT'S JUST TH' POLITE WAY OF TELLIN' A GUY HE'S SLIPPIN'

I ALLUS THOT, AFTER YOU SWEAT AN' STRUGGLED TO TH' TOP OF A HILL, TH' GOIN DOWN WAS KIND OF A PLEASANT RELIEF— BUT IT DONT SEEM T' WORK WID LIFE, ER A JOB— ITS HARD TO BE LET DOWN EASY

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By Williams

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

THEY PUSHED ALL OF US OWLS OUTA TH' JAIL THIS MORNING, MAJOR!— WE STILL HAD FIVE MORE DAYS TO GO— BUT THEY FIGGERED WE WAS ENJOYIN' OURSELVES TOO MUCH! WE PUT UP A BIG HOLLER ABOUT BEIN' PUT OUT— BUT THEY TOLD US THEY HAD A BIG WAITING LIST!

EGAD, IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU BOYS OUT! BY JOVE, I WAS GETTIN' SO LONELY, I WAS TRYING TO COMMIT A SLIGHT INFRACTION, TO SPEND A WEEK-END WITH YOU!

THERE WAS A BOOTLEGGER IN TH' BRIG ASKIN' FOR YOU, MAJOR— HE SAYS TO TELL YOU THAT YOUR SCHEME OF CARRYIN' TH' STOCK IN A VIOLIN CASE DIDN'T PAY OUT SO WELL!

HAIL, S HAIL S— THE GANG IS OUT S

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By Ahern

FOUR TOWNS ARE REPRESENTED IN ECONOMICS MEET

Delegates from four West Texas towns were in Midland Saturday to attend the district conference of home economics teachers.

Andrews Ranges Have Good Season

"Better keep your car off the pastures of Andrews county or you'll lose it in the soggy ground," Supt. J. A. Summerhill, of the Andrews schools said in reporting the best rain season the county has had in the history of some of the oldest residents.

Biggest New Year's Watch Party Planned

Elaborate plans are being made at Hotel Scharbauer for the greatest watch party ever celebrated in Midland, according to Arthur G. Jury, manager of West Texas' greatest hostelry.

Brown Case-

drove into the Vance-Cox filling station to get air for one of his tires, and saw the defendant and Clarence Cloninger in the office. He said he heard one of them say something that sounded like, "Now we're fifty-fifty."

Cloninger was to advance the money for buying a load of liquor in Andrews county and that Brown was to make the trip and the sale. He said they planned to split the profit, and said that Cloninger held out for a fifty-fifty split.

The argument of counsel relative to admissibility as evidence of the confession continued with the reconvening of court for the night session. Sam K. Waffel for the defense cited a case similar to that being argued by counsel, the case of Donahue vs. State, in which the appellant succeeded in getting a reversal in the court of criminal appeals from a conviction because of similar evidence admitted by the trial judge of the lower court.

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The World's Most Beautiful Pen and Pencil... Personalized with the recipient's initial engraved on the clips... points individually fitted to the handwriting.

Swan Eternal Pens The Pen of the British Empire Since 1843... perfect writing satisfaction... eternally guaranteed.

RIZ Today—Tomorrow Be among the first to see it! The laughs... the cares... the romance... the tenderness of young love...

"I could see that it was I the paper described," he said, "even though no name was mentioned. It said the suspect was a former Big Spring man who had worked at several garages here."

He said he called a taxi service and asked that his breakfast be brought to him, and that he offered the driver, Noble Stewart, \$2 to burn the clothes he had worn and the gun he had carried from days when he drove a mail car.

On cross questioning from the district attorney, Brown said two of the men from whom he expected to buy liquor were named Moore and Wooly, both of whom, he said, lived in Andrews county. He said he decided to have the gun hidden because of what he had read in the newspaper.

Several witnesses were recalled while counsel argued volubly on the admissibility of Brown's voluntary confession as evidence. The district attorney was about to read it when the defense objected, judge Klapproth sustained the objection but after listening to much argument from both sides reversed his opinion.

STICKER SOLUTION 3 2 5 10 11 8 9 6 7 12 15 14 Above is the completed score board.

GRAND BEST SOUND IN TOWN Today SHE RULED HIS ART SHE RULED HIS HEART The Secret Woman in A Great Man's Life Constance BENNETT The COMMON LAW Mickey Mouse—News Matinee Daily—Always 10c - 25c

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In doubt? Give Neckwear You will be pleasantly surprised when you see our gorgeous array of new Ties—Almost any color or design that one might think of. Packed in a neat holiday box.

The Pyramid of Khufu at Gizeh is said to have originally contained 2,300,000 stones, each two and a half tons in weight.

A bill was introduced in the last Minnesota legislature which provided for a state bonus of \$100 for every child born.

Questioned by the defense, Epley said suspicion had turned to Musselwhite after the car was taken and that he had let the man go. Cross examined he said that, in case the present trial did not show Musselwhite's connection with the theft, he intended giving the man a position again. He said that, while he had telephoned Musselwhite, he had done so at the request of the district attorney and that he had been told to subpoena his former employe that a subpoena for his appearance here would follow.

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TO OUR CUSTOMERS... For your convenience we have installed a wrapping desk, where you can personally wrap your own packages. Boxes and Xmas trimmings, so just help yourself.

Warfield to Have Xmas Celebration

A Christmas program will be given by the Sunday school of Warfield at the school house Sunday night, Dec. 20. This Sunday school was organized by the Rev. W. R. Mann of Odessa, Nov. 1, and it has been steadily growing.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old. I want you to bring me a big tricycle, a football, a pair of boots, a big ice truck and a argun—all kinds of fireworks, and lots of candies and fruit. Remember all the other little boys and girls. James Troy Seago Jr. Midland, Texas. Dec. 7, 1931.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl four years old. I want you to bring me a big tricycle, a football, a pair of boots, a big ice truck and a argun—all kinds of fireworks, and lots of candies and fruit. Remember all the other little boys and girls. Ella Mae Newland. Dec. 10, 1931.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a desk, boy doll, cooking set, musical top, and candy, nuts, and fruits. Love, from Joyce Bert Rosenbaum.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a air gun for my Christmas and some other toys. I am a little boy 11 years of age. My name is Jack Ward, 406 North Ft. Worth St., Midland, Texas. Pat Ward, 406 N. Ft. Worth St., Midland, Texas.

Federal funds amounting to \$1,240,608 will be made available to 32 states and territories from the receipts of sales from national forests during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931.

Reporter Listens To Three European Cities Over Phone

The telephone bell jangled and the reporter said a careless hello out of the corner of his mouth not taken up by his cigarette.

Play to Be Feature Of Evening Service

Annual women's day of the First Christian church will be observed this evening with the presentation of a play, "Seeker of the Way" to which the public has been invited.

Double Advantage In Charity Jobs

Welfare association money is serving a double purpose in Midland these days. People who call for food are given work, if the investigation shows they have to have it, and are busy cleaning up ugly downtown lots.

GET A POODLE, SAM!

It is not generally conceded that man's sense of smell is superior to that of a dog, but consider the case of Sam Warren.

CHRISTMAS SALE of DANIEL GREEN COMFYs Every pair of Daniel Greens reduced for this sale. And now—just when you are interested in this type merchandise comes this pleasing information...