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For what are men who grasp at  
praise sublime, but bubbles on the  
rapid stream of time—Young.

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## LONE OAK HOTEL FIRE CLAIMS 2

### Famous Wall Street Plunger Said Held by Kidnapers

**LAST HEARD OF  
WHEN HE TALKED  
WITH HIS WIFE  
Great Search Likely  
Will Be Made  
In East**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—The department of justice was notified today of the disappearance of Jesse L. Livermore, believed to have been kidnaped, and started a study to determine whether federal agents would enter into the search. Officials were non-committal but it was understood that they would enter the case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—A high police official announced today that he believed Jesse L. Livermore, famous Wall Street plunger, to be in the hands of kidnapers. He had been reported missing since 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon as the market closed.

The last heard from Livermore was when he phoned his wife at that time. She understood he had had information that he was marked by criminals. Police phoned when he failed to return home late yesterday.

Information from his wife to police was not revealed, however it caused police to accept kidnaping as explanation for his disappearance. Contrary to reports that Livermore was making money in the market, he was near the bottom of his purse, it was revealed.

His sons were under guard in connection with a kidnaping threat in which \$25,000 was demanded. The same year, a fortune in jewels was stolen from Livermore.

James Walsh, escaped convict, was arrested in California last September and confessed details of a plot to kidnap Livermore and Edward L. Doherty, oil magnate.

Livermore was known as the "boy plunger" in the days of the stock market. He had been bankrupted several times and had regained millions.

**Rat Poison Victim  
At Angelo Improves**

SAN ANGELO.—Duward Leon (Sonny) Rutland, 15-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Rutland, who was 3-year-old sister, Dorothy Christine Rutland, died Saturday after both children had eaten rat poison by accident, was removed from the hospital to his home at 418 Baker street yesterday and today was believed to be on the road to recovery.

Meanwhile funeral services were conducted at Eldorado Sunday for the little girl with the Rev. J. L. Raffert in charge. The family formerly lived at Eldorado.

The little girl and baby boy only children of Mr. and Mrs. Rutland found and ate the waters which were left over from a rat poisoning campaign while visiting at a neighbor's house Friday.

**VISITING PARENTS HERE**  
Mrs. Willis Blackburn of Houston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Whitmore of Midland, has arrived here to spend a month with her parents. She recently returned with her husband from Chicago and a tour of mid-western states.

Harwell and Whitely Whitmore, brothers of Mrs. Blackburn, are expected to arrive for the holidays. They are associated with the Gulf in Crane and Upton counties.

**The Story of  
Christmas**



And when the Three Wise Men were come into the place where the Christ Child lay, they gave greetings to Mary, his mother; and straightway fell upon their knees and worshipped Him that was to be the Saviour.

**3 SHOPPING  
DAYS  
until  
CHRISTMAS**



**Failure to pay for four wedding feasts in a month caused the downfall of Bror Peterson, above, when Chicago police, investigating his neglect, said they found that four different brides had graced the festal board. Peterson, held on bigamy charges, had added the inducement of a rich estate in Sweden, which proved imaginary, to his winning ways, his accusers say.**

**Midland May Get '34 College Game**

EL PASO, Dec. 20.—The Miners may try an interesting experiment next year in football. Coach Max Saxon may schedule a game with either Simmons or Howard Payne at one of the following towns: Big Spring, Odessa, Midland or McCombs.

These are small towns, without representation by college elevens. But they are football minded. Big crowds turn out for high school games.

The attraction of two college elevens, Coach Saxon believes, will serve as a magnet for hundreds of fans.

**FRENCH CHARGE  
TWO AMERICANS**

PARIS, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—An American man and woman were arrested today on a charge of possession of military documents and photographs as secret agents sought to break what was believed to be the greatest spy plot since the World war.

The plot was aimed to obtain France's defense secrets, it was believed.

Robert Gordon Sitwtz, 29, of East Orange, N. J., and Miss Marjorie Tiley, 22, of New York, were arrested along with a score of others.

**Ligon Smith Plays  
Dance at B'Spring**

Ligon Smith's famous dance orchestra will play a dance engagement at the Settles hotel, Big Spring, Thursday night, and a large crowd from Midland will attend.

Smith, who played engagements for every hotel of the Baker chain, has been making special appearances in the past few months before resuming regular engagements with the hotel chain.

**Rural Teachers  
Elect Tuesday**

Officers for the Midland County Teachers' association were elected Saturday at a meeting of the organization in the commissioner's court room.

They are: Miss Marguerite Carpenter, president; Mahini Alcorn, vice-president; Miss Tommie Smith, secretary.

Two activities of the association each year were discussed, and a general director for each was elected. Miss Mildred Coffey will have charge of the county fair and Alcorn will direct the interscholastic league. A date for the fair has not been set. A business committee was appointed to draw up resolutions of thanks to the welfare association which is donating food for hot lunches for rural school children.

The next meeting was set for January 5.

**HERE FOR HOLIDAYS**  
Miss Lady Conell is here from Manhattan Beach Calif., where she teaches school, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Connell.

**Late News**

BERLIN, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Medical experts today announced that 400,000 men and women will be subjected to sterilization soon under the Nazi law for prevention of diseases in progeny.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Solicitor Kari Crowley of the post-office department announced today that he had written Rep. Thomas Blanton, democrat of Texas, demanding full details of the latter's attempt to obtain \$2,500 for a constituent in a private settlement claim against the postmaster at Ranger, Texas.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—President Roosevelt and officials of the navy, treasury and guard were studying the possibility of early inclusion of the coast guard into the navy, the White House said.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—President Roosevelt sought unification of the government's recovery machinery today to prevent duplication of emergency agencies. He hoped this would be achieved within the next thirty days.

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—It appeared today that Texas banks would buy the entire \$2,750,000 issue of bread bonds to be placed on the market tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—C. V. Rickenbacker, war ace, at the NRA aviation code hearing, said today that the industry could deliver only 30 combat planes in the first 30 days upon declaration of war. The capacity would be further impaired by imposition of the "new labor system."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Organization of aid and NRA board to examine the local present industry, analysis and business men in the present code set up has obtained approval of the administration the United Press learned reliably today.

**Scouts on Hike to  
Make Beds Where a  
Fire Lately Burned**

Boy scouts of Troop 51 will go on an overnight camp Friday night, Scoutmaster Clarence Day said. They will leave from the court house at 4 p. m., going to the sandhills southwest of Midland. The scouts already are adept at winter camping but they will use this occasion to increase knowledge. Day said to sleep at night they will be assisted by Patrol Leaders J. B. Thomas Jr. of the Bulldogs and W. B. Osborn of the Blue Eagles.

"Winter camping is much more enjoyable and it is even more essential to know how to care for oneself than in summer," the scoutmaster pointed out. "It is usually in the cooler part of the year that we go on deer hunts and, of course, take chances on getting lost. In fact, a trained person can usually turn what is sometimes tragedy into an enjoyable adventure."

"The uninitiated sometime are timorous and wonder how we manage to sleep at night with much less sleep warmly. This is a relatively simple matter, once understood, and the danger of catching cold is practically nil if one is in fairly good physical condition. For the general interest and information of those who are uninformed, this is the way we go about it."

"First, we pick a sheltered place as possible as we can get. The hole is dug in the ground and is about two feet deep. Deeper, of course, is better but for the average night here, two feet is deep enough. We then build a fire in the hole and allow it to burn for an hour or more. This heats up the walls and dries out any moisture that may be present. The coals are then scattered evenly over the bottom of the hole and covered with four or five inches of dry sand. Should the sand be damp, blankets must be kept off for a while to allow steam to pass. Blankets are then spread upon this and the rest of the camp gear is put in a home provided, of course, moisture is not falling. Snow will serve to make the bed warmer. Great care must be taken to keep from getting the bed too warm but experience will soon teach just how big a fire and just how much sand over it will be necessary."

"The hike will not be undertaken should rain be falling or threatening. Day said.

"We hope no member of our troop will have to remain at home because of the time of year," the scoutmaster said. "Scouts will be perfectly safe and comfortable, as much so as though it were summer, and the training will be invaluable. This is the second of a series of winter hikes that we will continue throughout the cold months and the scout who misses them will not only miss training that might someday save his life, but will miss one of the most enjoyable parts of scouting."

**Weds Client**



WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, below, when Mrs. Donnelly, above, came to ex-Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, below, when Mrs. Donnelly became his bride in Kansas City, where she is a millionaire garment manufacturer. Reed played a prominent part in conviction of the abductors in 1931. He is 72 and Mrs. Reed 43. Reed's first wife died in 1932 and his bride was divorced the same year.



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**BAND PROMOTIONS  
NUMBER FIFTEEN**

Promotions were made this morning in the Midland high school band organization. Fifteen junior members were promoted to full membership and were issued uniforms. The following high school students were promoted to band membership: Graham Brown, tenor saxophone; Roy Collins, saxophone; Billy Noyes, alto saxophone, and Russell Wright, trombone.

Eleven junior high school students were given promotions: Frank Nixon, clarinet; W. E. Lynch, Fred Gordon Middleton, Bobby Martini, David Holster, John Edward Post, clarinets; Val Borum, trumpet; Jack Walton, cornet; Wayne Lanham, trumpet; George Halmom Jr., trumpet; Ronald McWilliams, snare drum.

There are three stages in the evolution of a full band member. The beginner's class in junior high school is the best "feeder" to the organization. Then the standing of junior members of the band which allows the ambitious contender the privilege of attending the high school band rehearsals and the use of the band music for study. When sufficient proficiency has been attained, the junior member is promoted to full membership. At the time of this promotion the member is issued a uniform, and his official band record begins from that date.

A complete record of his attendance and punctuality at all band functions is accurately kept together with a record of his musical progress. Parents are sent a summary of this record each six weeks period. These promotions bring the number enrolled in the high school band this year to 42. The new members will make their first appearance with the band at the Christmas program Thursday night at 7 o'clock.

**Christmas Business Depletes the  
Stock in Stores; Buying Is Brisk**

A Midland business man was despondent Wednesday because he had sold out most of his special Christmas goods and it was too late to get any more.

"That's how good business is in Midland. This business man bought an extra hundred dollars worth of Christmas goods in a neighboring town a few days ago to add to his stock. He said his business was running from \$50 to \$100 a day better than at the same time last year.

Another Midland business man said the first 10 days of December this year were better than the same period last year by more than \$700.

Another added three special extra clerks this week to handle the business.

Still another reported his particular type of business in December had made him an average of over \$15 a day more than it made last year.

People are buying. The depression is losing its grasp, merchants said. The world is moving forward. People are buying what they need and many are buying luxuries they want. Times are not only going to be better—they are already better. Midland stores expect to be taxed to capacity to handle the business from now through Saturday, managers said.

**Big Spring-Midland Grid  
Game Here Christmas Day**

All-star football clubs of Midland and Big Spring will wage battle here Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock for sweet charity. The milk fund of the Parent-Teachers association will benefit.

Arrangements were concluded Tuesday afternoon between Carl McAdams of Midland and Head Coach Obie Bristow of Big Spring. The gate split will be 60-40 in favor of the winner, just as was done in the recent game between Midland and Stanton, when the athletic fund of the high school was benefitted \$97.50.

Tickets will be placed on sale late today or early Thursday by the Parent-Teachers group, which will be announced Thursday where the gates may be bought.

Head Coach L. K. Barry of the Midland high school issued a call for grid stars today, naming a formidable squad that includes the

**Santa Does Song,  
Dance Number**

A wise-cracking Santa Claus who was successful in everything but divorcing himself from a pupil delivery brought Christmas to Lions' Club Tuesday night at a special ladies' night program given by the service club.

Santa had more fun than anyone else, chattering for a while and then appearing on the program for a song and a duet with Mrs. Winston F. Borum.

Miss Marguerite Bivens, coloratura soprano, sang, accompanied by Miss Edna Marie Jones.

Dr. John B. Thomas related some "aged in the wood" jokes, "and a good time was had by all."

Fifty-nine attended.

**Shoppers Asked  
Not to Overlook  
Christmas Seals**

Final pre-Christmas reminder to Midland and Midland county citizens who have not sent checks or returned Christmas seals sent out by the Midland county Tuberculosis association, was made today by Mrs. J. W. Day, director.

"Really Christmas shoppers haven't finished their purchases until they have bought Christmas seals," she said.

She is asking that holders of seals send in their checks as soon as possible—or at they expect not to buy the seals, to return them this week, so that the association may complete its sales records.

Under its contract with the state association, the local unit must send two letters to all holders of stamps who do not respond—either by purchasing or returning the seals. Prompt reply will save this expense.

**Thursday Program  
Of S. Ward School**

The South Ward elementary school will present a Christmas program, the third of a series given by ward schools this week, at the high school assembly Thursday morning at 8:30.

The program follows:  
Song: "Luther's Cradle Hymn," Herbert, entire school; reading: "Welcome," Wooden, Billy Loyd Jones; acoustic: "Christmas," Barbara, nine students of the low first grade; reading: "Secrets," Clark, Anita Tindle; song: "Old Santa Claus," anon. Wilbur Roberts and chorus; reading: "Christmas Eve at the North Pole," Koogle, Garret, McWilliams; song: "To Welcome Christmas Time," Forrest, selected chorus; German peasant dance, arranged, Reymour Schneider; play: "Santa Claus Helpers," Wylie; song: "Glad to Greet Hurray," Norton, low second grade.

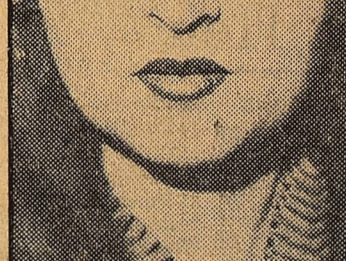
**Frogs Drove Young Girl  
Through Car Windshield**

MAGNA, Utah. (U.P.)—No bus is large enough to hold both a frog and a young girl. She proved it when a collection of frogs escaped from their box in a high school bus.

**Ruined His Fun**



From the casual expression of Mrs. Benny Rubin, as she appears here in Los Angeles court, you'd never guess that she'd just taken all the fun out of life for Benny, in Bolivia, arrange a permanent divorce suit, over Benny's plaintive pleading that he's earning only \$500 a week.



The fighting, which has claimed tens of thousands of lives in the bloodstained Chaco Boreal Tuesday as Paraguay and Bolivia, hereditary enemies, agreed to a Christmas season armistice.

**PEACE TREATY  
IN CHACO WAR**

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 20.—A temporary peace was proclaimed in the bloodstained Chaco Boreal Tuesday as Paraguay and Bolivia, hereditary enemies, agreed to a Christmas season armistice.

**RECOVERY PLAN  
GETS EXTENSION**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—President Roosevelt today signed an executive order extending the president's re-employment agreement for industry four months after January 1, it was announced. The agreement originally expired December 31.

"It is essential that the New Year not bring a let-down in the recovery program," he said. "I urge employers, trades and industries not covered by codes to cooperate by continuing to maintain higher wages and shorter hours. Display of the eagle after the date by employers not entirely covered by the code will be treated as acceptance."

**Murrell Indicted  
In Alleged Attack**

SAN ANTONIO.—Lieut. John Herhold Murrell, commander of company M, ninth infantry, Fort Sam Houston, was indicted today by a federal grand jury here on a charge of assault on the Billy reservation, October 22. Blanche Ralls, twice a divorcee, was the alleged victim.

The attack is alleged to have occurred at daylight on a Sunday morning following party celebrations of the Texas university-Centenary football game here, for which Murrell was an official.

**Marshall Doesn't  
Act Eager to Play  
Field Capacity at  
San Angelo Raised**

MARSHALL.—After two days of fruitless discussion of a site for the state junior college football championship game between the College of Marshall and Amarillo junior college, Coach C. T. Hamel of Marshall said Tuesday night he had telegraphed an ultimatum to Amarillo college officials that the game would have to be "played here or on neutral ground at Decatur or anywhere east of Decatur or the game will be no game." He said the offer would have to be accepted by noon tomorrow to be effective.

**Stanton Football  
Team Banqueted**

STANTON.—The Stanton Buffalo football squad was banqueted in the basement of the Methodist church, Coach Rufus Hyde, former Simmons university quarterback, acted as toastmaster.

The doors of the banquet room revealed a highly decorated Christmas tree surrounded by a huge horse-tail table where cards marked the places for the seventy-odd happy members of the younger crowd and their friends who shared this most important event with them.

Captain Claire Enley, who piloted the Buffalo squad through to a successful year, was highly complimented by the toastmaster, as was also Miss Lucille Rogers, leader of the pep squad and her assistant, Miss Ruth Eldson. Enley goes out with this year's graduating class, and Allen O'Connor, an ace on this year's team, will be captain of the next year's squad.

**4 OTHERS ARE  
SEVERELY HURT  
AS THEY JUMP**

One of Victims May  
Be Greenville  
Physician

LONE OAK, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—C. A. Wilburn, 53, proprietor of Hotel McCombs, a landmark here, and a Dr. Roberts, 60, were burned to death and four were injured when they jumped from the second floor as flames gutted the building and adjacent business houses were destroyed today.

The injured were Bob Skirbbeck, Howard Hicks and Jimmy Wallace. The name of the fourth victim was not learned.

The proprietor's wife and son escaped through the back stairway after they had failed to reach Wilburn who was engulfed by a wall of flame.

The bodies were charred beyond recognition. Cause of the fire was undetermined. A barber shop, shoe shop, variety store, grocery stores and a cafe were destroyed.

Funeral services for Wilburn were scheduled for this afternoon. Roberts probably was from Greenville.

**Hurrahs, Hossanas  
To Mingle Sunday**

Hurrahs for Christmas will be mingled this year with Hossanas for the Lord.

Because Midland people are becoming interested in a movement under construction to build a church in town Sunday, leaders in the campaign say.

People are particularly interested because Sunday immediately precedes Christmas day, and hundreds of people plan to show their appreciation of what Christmas really is—the birthday of Jesus—by attending church.

It is the hope of laymen and pastors to make Sunday the biggest church and Sunday school attendance day during 1933.

**FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:**

The only stand heretofore available on the north side of the field, seats 2,000 and permanent bleachers, ten rows high to accommodate 3,000 more were under construction on the south side today when 2,000 reserved seats at \$1.25 each went on sale at 9 o'clock. By 6 o'clock Tuesday evening all but 187 had been sold.

**GINNING REPORT**  
Counting round as half bales, Howard county ginned 3,664 bales of cotton from the 1933 crop prior to December 1, 1933, as compared with 23,674 bales ginned Dec. 1, 1932. Up to December 1, 1933, Martin county had ginned 452 bales, compared to 20,000 bales in normal times. Midland had ginned 160 bales.

**MARRIED 7,000 COPULES**  
POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. (U.P.)—Judge D. B. Deem has married 7,000 couples during his 35 years in office, and granted between 300 and 400 divorces.

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AN OLD DOGMA PASSES

It is interesting to notice that the old legal technicality by which a wife was not allowed to testify in defense of her husband in a criminal case at last has been swept aside by the U. S. Supreme Court.

The decision came on the appeal of a North Carolinian who had been convicted of conspiracy to violate the dry laws. At his trial his wife was not allowed to testify for him.

This ruling was in accord with the ancient common law provision that a wife, in such case, would be an interested witness and hence not deserving of credence.

Very properly the Supreme Court sweeps this aside. The test of cross-examination of witnesses, the increased intelligence of jurors, and other considerations, says the court, have changed things.

Hereafter a man accused of crime may call his wife as a witness—and an archaic and illogical quirk of criminal law has been abolished.

A popular poet in Glasgow, Scotland, is a gas inspector. Perhaps one might be led to believe that his ambition is not satisfied merely with reading meters.

The Town Quack



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

Information that there are 343 kinds of cheese. He adds that if the Town Quack were to be exterminated there would be only 342. Can you feature such a crack?

Benjamin Franklin made the statement that three people may keep a secret if two of them are dead.

What has become of the old fashioned man who used to crack his finger joints to amuse children?

Many a man who fears no man is afraid of his wife's shadow.

However, being henpecked is a good thing for many men. I know a man who was utterly worthless until he married a woman who is a tyrant.

Mr. B. C. Cook is reported doing nicely over his severe blow on the head by the mule last Friday. He still says that he is going to conquer that mule even if he (the mule) is such a hard-headed creature. In all his remarks about the mule he never mentions his own hard head which is only means of living over such accidents which happen quite frequently.

Mr. Cook is planning to be removed to his home Tuesday.

The above represents a letter from Coy B. Cook, son of the man who was invalidated again last week by the close communion of his head and the heels of a non-social mule. Cook has been sniped at so often in the last few months he dodges when he sees a mule in a picture, and all you have to do is holler "Mule!" and he covers up like a punch-drunk boxer and develops a jittery ague. In the last few months, the round-by-round score is: the mule three, Cook none. He was "out" nine hours a year ago, got booted over a trough three months ago and completely disillusioned last week when sent to the hospital with brain concussion. In his hospital bed he philosophically mules over the lack of appreciation of jackasses for new shoes.

In spite of Cook's hard head, as attested by his son, if his luck with mules continues there ought to be at least some sign of erosion soon. If there isn't, I can safely say anybody who does succeed in shoeing the mule won't need a file.

Look out for Chunky and Uncle Walter Christmas day.

A contributor sends in the information that there are 343 kinds of cheese.

Claude Cowden Honored Tuesday On 11th Birthday

John M. Cowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cowden, celebrated his eleventh birthday anniversary Tuesday and was guest of honor at a party given by his mother who was hostess to 23 boys and girls.

Guests met at the Cowden home at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Cowden, assisted by Mrs. R. B. Cowden, chaperoned them to the Yucca theatre, where they saw "Little Women."

The boys were presented with firecrackers as favors and the girls were given dolls.

Santa Visits Friendly Builders Party Tuesday Night

Santa Claus visited the Iva M. Noyes home Tuesday evening and presented gifts from an attractively decorated tree to members of the Friendly Builders class of the First Methodist church.

Mrs. L. B. Hankins, class teacher, and Mrs. Kenneth C. Minter were presented lovely gifts, tokens of appreciation from the class.

The home was decorated with Yuletide symbols. Paper rope of red and green was stretched from the candleholders to the walls and draped with silver tinsel.

Lively games furnished entertainment for the evening. Refreshments were served by hostesses Misses Noyes, Frank Smith, C. E. Smith, W. E. Hogsett, Charles Berry and John Davis to Meses. W. F. Prothro, N. G. Oates, A. J. Norwood, C. B. Ponder, Everett Kiebold, L. Barber, Horace Newton, Roy McKee, C. E. Nolan, J. F. Nixon, J. F. Barber, L. B. Hankins, K. C. Minter, J. A. Andrews, D. E. Holster, A. B. Stickney and J. L. Tidwell.

Catholic Society To Help Needy

Members of St. Ann's Altar society of St. George's Catholic church decided at a chili meeting Tuesday evening to observe their annual custom of filling twelve Christmas baskets and distributing them among the needy of Midland.

Cotton Flat Xmas Program

A Christmas program composed of readings, dialogues, plays and songs will be presented at the Cotton Flat school Friday evening, beginning at 7:30.

Later in the evening gifts will be distributed from a Christmas tree and music by Miss Lydie and Mr. Ned Watson will be played.

SOCIETY

Novel Christmas Party Given Evangel Class Members Tuesday at Borum Home

A novel Christmas party for members of the Evangel class of the First Baptist church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Winston F. Borum.

As guests arrived they were greeted by Miss Billie Carpenter and Miss Marjorie Ward. They were ushered into the living room, softly lighted by red and green lamps and decorated with Christmas decorations.

Mrs. H. S. Collings introduced several lively games which were participated in by approximately forty class members.

Fifty-five Naomi Class Members Attend Party Tuesday Night at Hotel Scharbauer

Fifty-five members of the Naomi class spent a highly enjoyable evening Tuesday in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer, when they were entertained at a novel Christmas party.

Mrs. J. M. White. Following this, Miss Melba Lee sang popular songs, which were greatly enjoyed.

Games of Goldbug were played, in which Mrs. L. J. Tankersley received the highest score.

The high light of the party came when Mrs. E. T. Westerman, in the guise of Santa Claus, walked from a back room to the strains of a march played by Miss Mann, and proceeded to the Christmas tree, where she distributed gifts to each one present.

After guests had been further entertained by Miss Lee, Santa Claus discovered an overlooked gift on the tree, which proved to be a Bulova wrist watch, engraved on the back with the class name and the year, which was presented by the class president, Mrs. A. E. Horst, to the teacher, Mrs. J. M. White.

Mrs. White very nicely voiced her appreciation of this gift.

As the climax of the evening, the women were served refreshments in the coffee shop.

Mrs. B. T. Westerman was in general charge of the entertainment, with her assistants as follows:

Mrs. A. E. Horst, in charge of the program; Mrs. Fletcher Curry and Mrs. W. N. Thurston, decorations; Meses. Edna Shels and J. S. Schow, in charge of the gifts; Mrs.

S. M. Warren, games. The room was beautiful with branches of smilax and silver streamers hanging from the chandeliers. The tree, with its bright lights and lovely adornments, was a bright spot at one end of the room, surrounded with the many gifts. The women present pronounced the affair one of the most enjoyable they had ever attended.

Announcements

Thursday The Junior Girls auxiliary will meet Thursday at 4 o'clock with Jane Hill, 420 W. Missouri. Members are asked to bring articles for a Christmas basket to be given the needy.

Friday The Belmont Bible class will hold a Christmas party Friday afternoon at 3:30 at the home of Mrs. G. B. Brock, 1010 West Michigan.

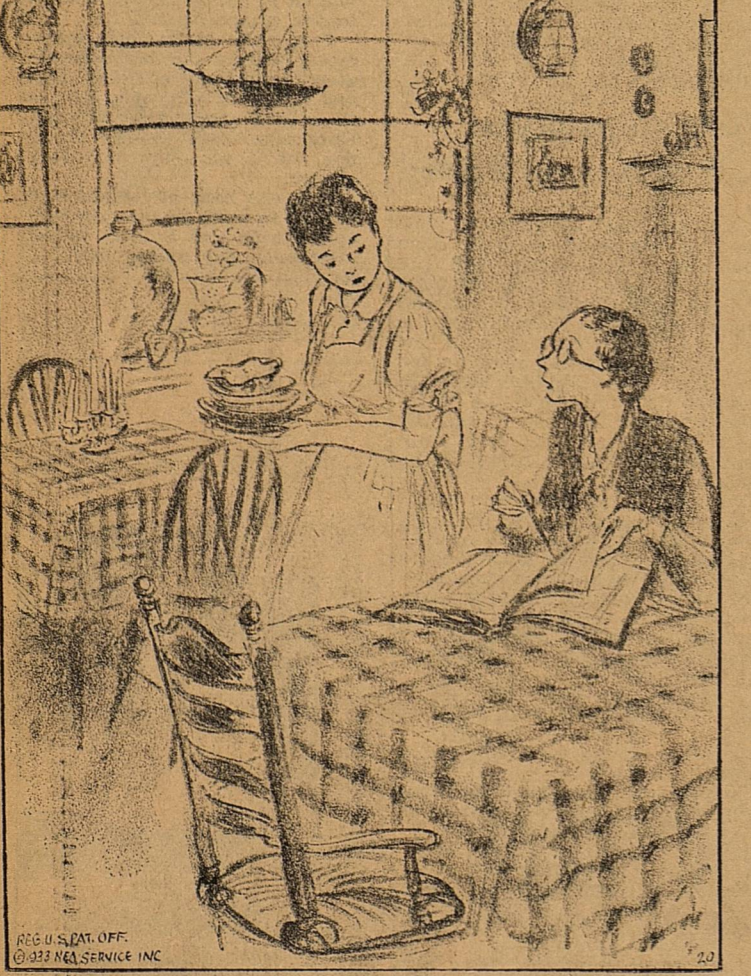
CLOGGED PORES prevented if skin is well cleaned with non-irritant soap. Thousands use only Resinol

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Crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers. Clues include: 1. Mother, 2. To be in the picture?, 3. Exclamation of surprise, 4. Twice, 5. Nude, 6. French private soldier, 7. Company of seamen, 8. Table-land, 9. Ocean, 10. By, 11. You and me, 12. Railroad, 13. Within, 14. Street, 15. Small cask, 16. He is the hereditary heir to the throne, 17. Indians, 18. To love, 19. Present, 20. Pertaining to, 19. Pitcher, 20. Foretaken, 21. Circle part, 22. Pastry, 23. Gardens, 24. Anon, 25. Jewels, 26. Laughter, 27. Fish, 28. Middy, 29. Sea eagle, 30. Southeast, 31. Thy, 32. Fodder vat, 33. To utter raucously, 34. Cabman, 35. Coring device, 36. Pedal digit, 37. To bark, 38. Before, 39. Bonnet, 40. Eye, 41. Pound, 42. Typa standard, 43. Measure of area.

Crossword puzzle grid with a portrait of a man in the center. Clues include: 1. Pitcher, 2. Foretaken, 3. Circle part, 4. Pastry, 5. Gardens, 6. Anon, 7. Jewels, 8. Laughter, 9. Fish, 10. Middy, 11. Sea eagle, 12. Southeast, 13. Thy, 14. Fodder vat, 15. To utter raucously, 16. Cabman, 17. Coring device, 18. Pedal digit, 19. To bark, 20. Before, 21. Bonnet, 22. Eye, 23. Pound, 24. Typa standard, 25. Measure of area.

Side Glances... by Clark



"We would have come out ahead this week if we hadn't tried that cranberry cream delight."

SATURDAY IS YOUR LAST SHOPPING DAY!

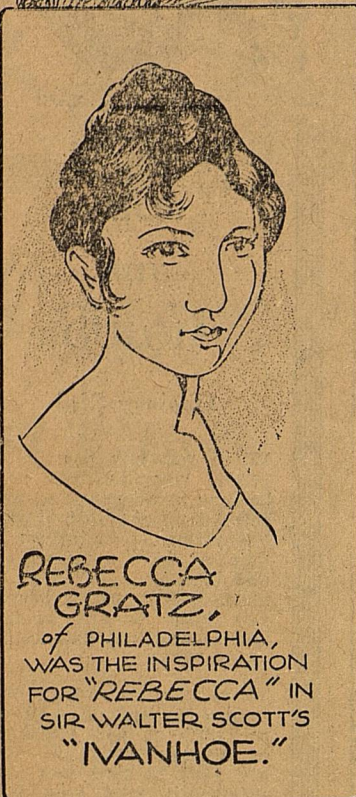
Do you still have a few last-minute Christmas gift selections to make? Look over the electrical gifts illustrated below and perhaps they'll solve the problem of "what to give." Or visit our store and see these and many other electrical appliances that are both attractive and practical gifts.

Advertisement for Texas Electric Service Company featuring various electrical appliances: Corn Poppers (\$2.25), Mixers (\$21.00), Waffle Irons (\$5.95 and up), Novelty Lamps (\$5.45), Automatic Electric Ranges, Percolators (\$5.95 and up), Heating Pads (\$3.95 and up), Urn Sets (\$14.95 and up), Toasters (\$3.95 and up), Clocks (\$5.00 and up), Heaters (\$5.95 and up). Includes the slogan "Make Them Happy with Things Electrical!" and the company name "TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY".

LAST MINUTE GIFT SUGGESTIONS You Can't Afford to Overlook

Advertisement for Texas Electric Service Company featuring various electrical appliances: Indirect Floor Lamps (\$11.45 and up), Torchier Lamps and up (\$5.95), Vacuum Cleaners (\$61.50 and up), Automatic Irons (\$5.95 and up), "Pin-it-up" Lamps (\$1.45). Includes the company name "TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY".

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

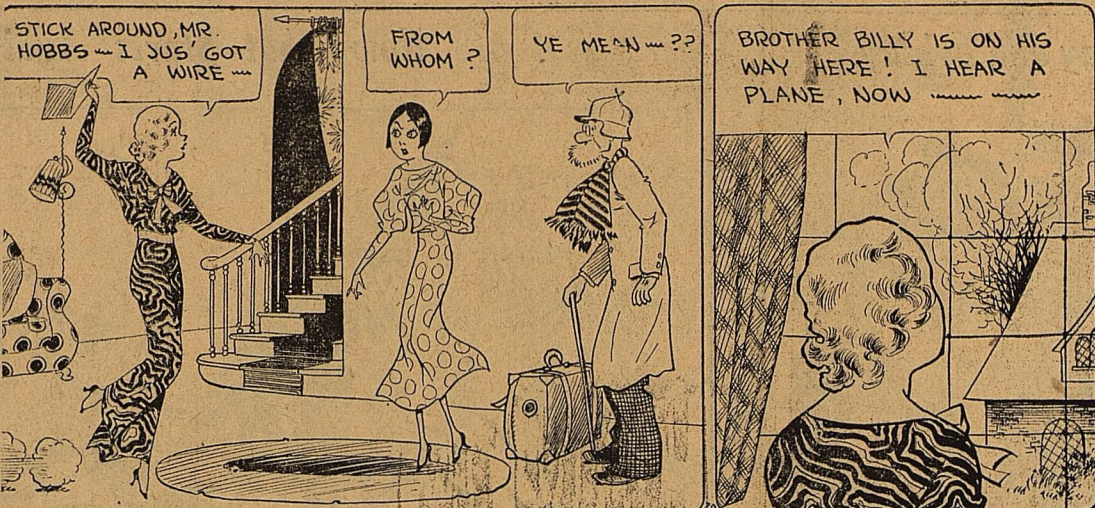


A POND MAY BE LARGER THAN A LAKE! THE STRICT DIFFERENCE LIES IN THE DEPTH!... A TRUE POND IS ALWAYS SHALLOW!

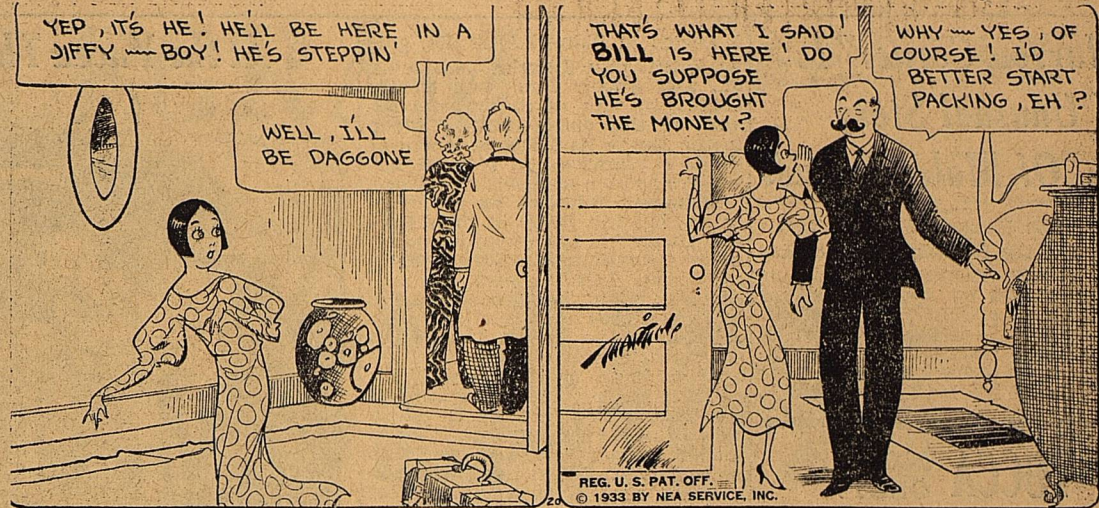
REBECCA GRATZ, of PHILADELPHIA, WAS THE INSPIRATION FOR "REBECCA" IN SIR WALTER SCOTT'S "IVANHOE."

ICE, IF PURE AND CLEAN, IS MORE TRANSPARENT THAN WATER!

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

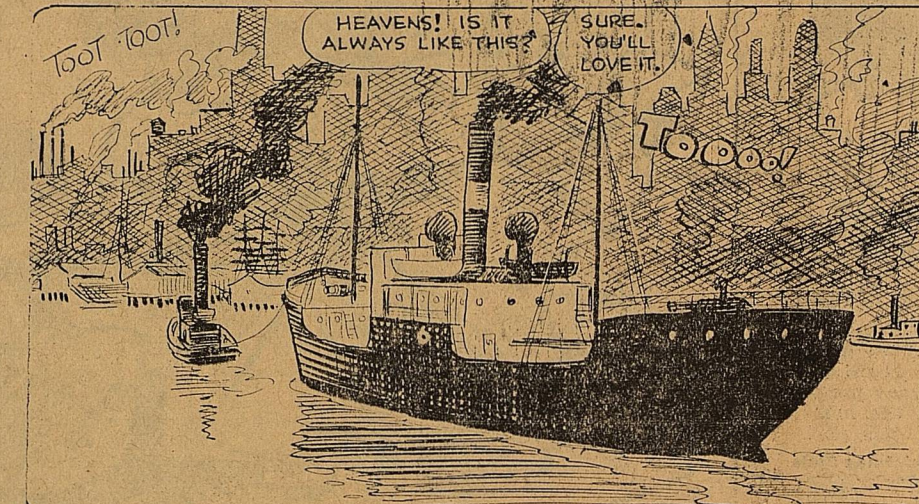


Quick Action!



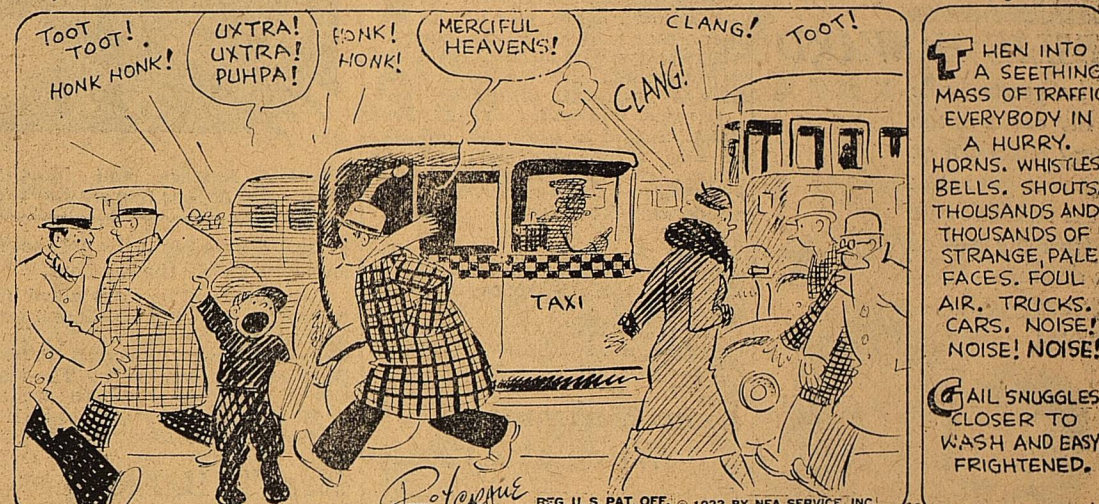
By MARTIN

WASH TUBS



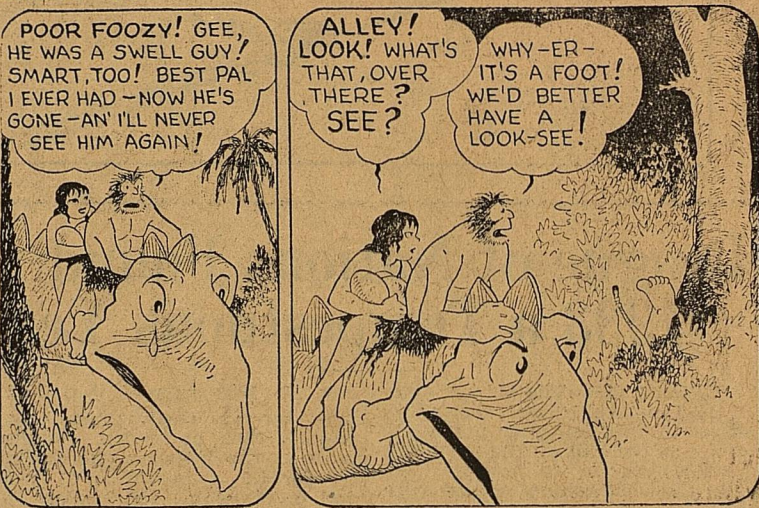
HOME AGAIN! GAIL WEBSTER, FRESH FROM HER ARCTIC WILDERNESS IS AWED BY THE RUMBLE AND ROAR, THE SMOKE AND CONFUSION, THE COUNTLESS SKYSCRAPERS AND SHIPS AND WHISTLES OF A HUGE CITY.

The Big City!



By CRANE

ALLEY OOP

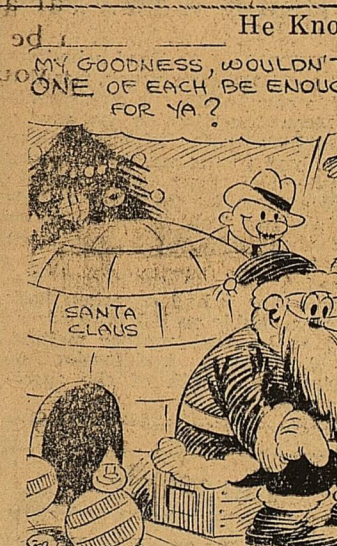


Wasted Tears!

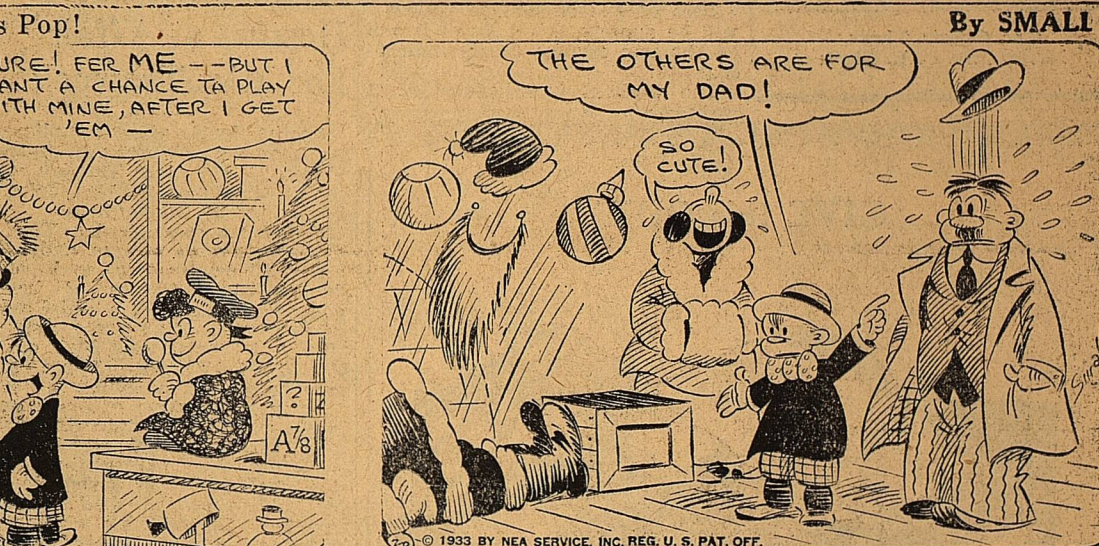


By HAMLIN

SALESMAN SAM

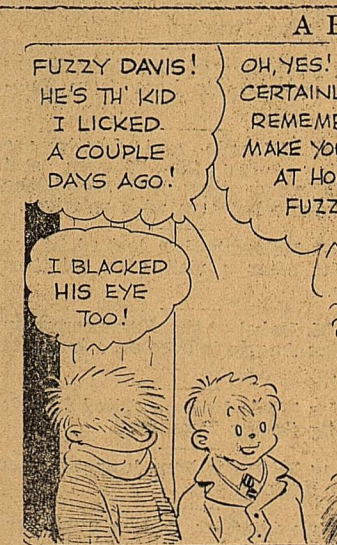
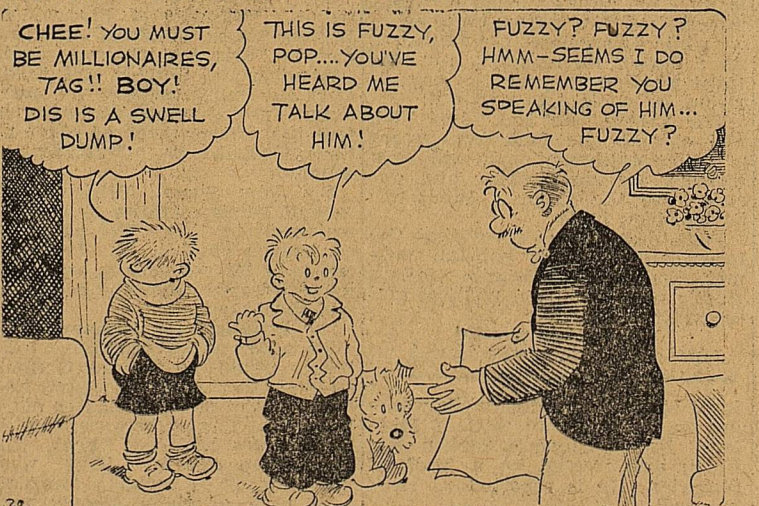


He Knows His Pop!

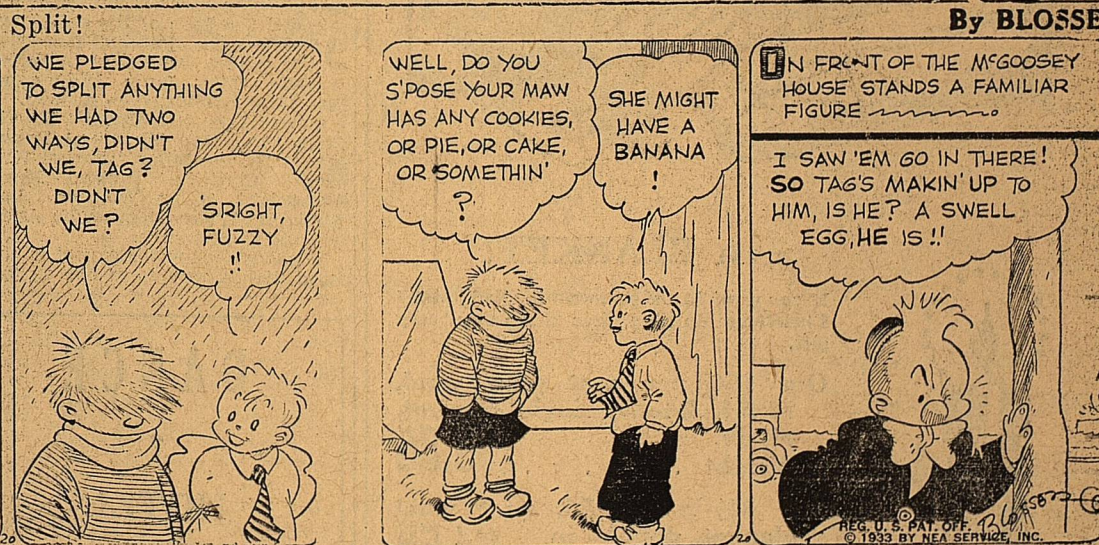


By SMALL

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

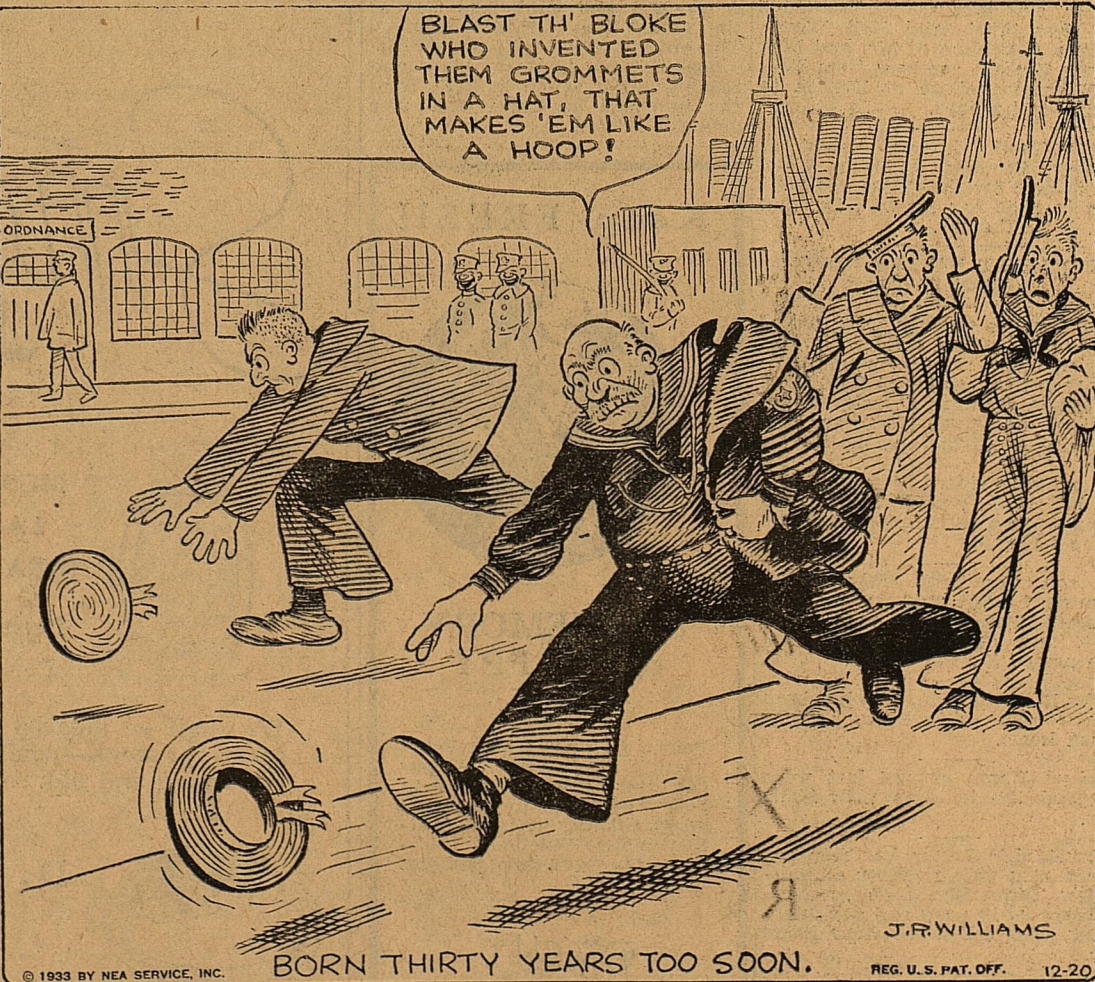


A Banana Split!



By BLOSSER

OUT OUR WAY



By WILLIAMS

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



By AHERN

\$25 Contribution To Xmas Fund Got By Unique Method

Women of the Episcopal guild will give 10 Christmas baskets this week to needy families. The members raised \$25 in a unique way. Each member took a calendar with 15 holidays marked with coin slots. On each holiday, the members inserted a dime in the slot and at the end of the year each had \$1.50 for welfare work.

DEATH CELEBRATED

PARIS (U.P.)—The 291st anniversary of the death of Armand du Plessis, better known as Cardinal de Richelieu, has been celebrated here at the Sorbonne, a mass being said for his soul. By virtue of an agreement between the University and the Duchesse of Aiguillon, Richelieu's death is celebrated annually in Paris at the Sorbonne. Until 1921 the custom lapsed, but since then it has been in force, renewed by order of the University Council.

TIN STRIKE CAUSED RUSH

EDMONTON, Alta. (U.P.)—Creating almost as much excitement as a gold rush, a major tin strike in the Fort Graham Country, 195 miles north of Hudson Hope, has been reported here. Word of the strike was carried by a party of prospectors, who brought samples of tin here for assay. The find was greeted with interest because tin has become one of the most sought for metals in the world.

DRUGGISTS OPPOSE BILL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (U.P.)—Druggists of Greater Kansas City adopted without dissent a resolution opposing passage of the Tugwell bill for stricter food and drug laws in the next session of Congress.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES AND INFORMATION CASH must accompany all orders for classified ads, with a specified number of days for each to be inserted. CLASSIFIEDS will be accepted until 12 noon on week days and 6 p. m. Saturday for Sunday issues. PROPER classification of advertisements will be done in the office of The Reporter-Telegram. ERRORS appearing in classified ads will be corrected without charge by notice given immediately after the first insertion. RATES: 2¢ a word a day. 4¢ a word two days. 5¢ a word three days. MINIMUM charges: 1 day 25¢. 2 days 50¢. 3 days 60¢. FURTHER information will be given gladly by calling 77.

WILL PAY part auto expense to Wichita Falls Sunday, return Monday. Phone 64. 243-1p

WANTED 50 to 75 head of cows to winter on cane bundles. I will keep and feed them at 2 cents per bundle. F. A. Youngblood, Pride (Dawson Co.), Tex. 243-1p

Out of the SCRUGGS BOTTLE. Comes That Good GRADE "A" MILK SCRUGGS DAIRY PHONE 9000

2. For Sale or Trade HANDMADE Chinese linens and jewelry. Appointment by phone 305-J. Vera H. Lewis, 714 West Kansas. 244-3p

8 Poultry NICE, fat turkeys for sale. Mrs. A. B. Stickney, 707 West Tennessee. 241-3z

15. Miscellaneous MATTRESS RENOVATING One-day service; also, new mattresses. Phone 451. FURNITURE HOSPITAL 1-1

BLANK BOOKS Single and double entry ledgers... cash books... journals... columnar books... day books. Prices . . . 10c to \$6.00 PHONE 95 WEST TEXAS OFFICE SUPPLY

WANTED CLEAN COTTON Rags REPORTER-TELEGRAM OFFICE

BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON. J.R. WILLIAMS REG. U.S. PAT. OFF. 12-20

COMPETITION. REG. U.S. PAT. OFF. 12-20

"Narrow Corner" Is Unusual Story Of Malay Islands

In "The Narrow Corner," which comes to the Ritz theatre Thursday and Friday...

YUCCA TODAY ONLY! 10-15-25c

LESLIE HOWARD

in the greatest role of his' career as the young American of 1933...

HEATHER ANGEL



BERKELEY SQUARE

ALSO Moran & Mack in "Blue Black Birds"

THURS.-FRI. WARNER BAXTER "PENT HOUSE" with FAY WRAY

Our Guests Thurs. Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Ligon

it begins in Sidney, Australia, goes by Ketch with Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. and Arthur Hohl...

There is old Swan, a blackbird or slave runner; there is Faith, his son-in-law; Eric, the agent of a Dutch trading company...

It is in this colorful setting that a mad passion springs up between the island maiden and an Australian youth...

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., as Fred Blake, is said to have the best role of his career...

Lions Scrimmage While at El Paso

EL PASO—J. B. Andrews will be quarterback again when the Texas Miners scrimmage against the University of Columbia...

As a distinguished graduate, he will don a suit and call Stanford plays against the Columbians...

Thad Steele, now assistant coach at Ysleta and a former Mines star, will play center for the Miners...

Coach Mack Saxon assembled this team Monday and began practicing Stanford plays...

Part of the scrimmage probably will be dummy, but a lot of it will be the real McCoy...

The workout is scheduled at 3 p. m.

At the Yucca Thursday and Friday



Warner Baxter and Martha Sleeper in Arthur Somers Roche's "Penthouse," showing at the Yucca Thursday and Friday.

Spectators will not be allowed to watch the workout.

The Lions will be entertained by a delegation of Columbia alumni here, headed by Tom MacCarthy...

Mrs. T. B. Flood Hostess Tuesday at Bridge-Luncheon

A bridge-luncheon Tuesday afternoon entertained members of the Bien Amigos club...

A four-course luncheon was served the guests at Camp Broadway...

The bridge games were played at the Flood home 1201 West Illinois street...

Others playing were Mmes. Preston Bridgewater, Joe D. Chambers, C. D. Hodges...

Mrs. John Adams' Hostess at Affair For Miss Traweck

Another lovely affair complimenting Miss Jane Traweck, bride-to-be of Dec. 24...

The living room had a Yuletide atmosphere with a large, gaily decorated Christmas tree...

At the conclusion of the games, guests were invited into the dining room, where the table was laid in a lace-embroidered cloth...

Guests included Mmes. Rhoden, Baker, Bill Van Huss and Boudins, Misses Holene Miley, Theresa Klapproth, Cordelia Taylor...

Ecuador's principal export is balsam wood, lightest wood in the world.

DANCE

HOTEL SETTLES BIG SPRING

Music by Ligon Smith

And His ORCHESTRA

THURSDAY DECEMBER 21

9 til ?

\$260 Reported in Xmas Seal Drive

The Christmas seal drive of the Midland county health board may be concluded by Christmas...

Buy Christmas Seals Fight Tuberculosis

An appeal was made today to mail a check for seals bought. In case one does not wish to buy all the seals sent...

A total of \$260 had been received by early this morning...

Proceeds go to the Texas Tuberculosis association and the anti-tuberculosis committee...

Eagle Wins Aerial Battle With Crane

STANTON—J. R. Reed, who lives on the old Mustang ranch, heard a terrible commotion one day recently...

Reed killed the eagle and discovered that it had a broken beak and was unable to kill his prey...

C. L. Eckert, taxidermist of Courtney, has both of the specimens mounted.

Personals

Percy J. Mims and Fred Wemple attended the Rotary luncheon at Big Spring Tuesday.

C. R. Miner of the West Texas Gas company is here from Lubbock.

Fred Wemple and family are leaving today for Blossom and Paris where they will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

J. J. Holcomb left last night for Dallas after a visit with relatives here.

I. M. Isabel of the Texas company at San Angelo is here on a business trip.

Miss Marie Holden visited friends at Big Spring Tuesday.

Guy Eiland is here from Stanton on a business trip.

Ralph Shuffler, Odessa publisher, is here today transacting business.

Misses Olga Trammell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trammell, and Jess Edith and Nell Wayne Carlisle, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Carlisle, are here from Texas as women's college at Denton to spend the holidays.

Miss Read Thomas, student at Southern Seminary at Buena Vista, Va., is here for the Christmas holidays to visit her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas.

PLEASANT VALLEY NEWS By Ethel E. Stuart

Hot lunches are now being served daily to the school children of this district, under the new plan of the county health nurse...

A son was born early Friday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson. The baby, who weighed seven and one-half pounds, has been named Edward Frank.

Miss Edith Skelton, who has been visiting relatives in Spur, has returned home.

Robert Kemp arrived last week to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. Mattie Lester has returned from a visit with relatives at Millersview, Texas. She was accompanied home by her son and daughter-in-law, who will make their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller entertained with an enjoyable dance Saturday night. A large crowd attended.

A. L. Stewart was seriously injured Monday morning, while working on the highway west of Midland...

Now That Starts Again!



League of Nations Found 1933 a Tempestuous Year

GENEVA (U.P.)—The balance sheet of the League of Nations shows three major failures and four minor successes at the end of the most tempestuous year in its history.

In the debt column of the ledger are: One. Failure to protect China's sovereignty against Japanese aggression.

Two. Failure to lead the world to economic recovery through the successful conduct of the London Economic Conference.

Three. Failure to obtain any measure of disarmament which would have kept Germany in the conference and League.

Four. Success in obtaining cessation of hostilities between Columbia and Peru over the Leticia corridor.

Two. Successful conclusion of a world narcotics convention limiting production and sale strictly to medical and scientific requirements.

Three. Return of Argentina to the League after 13 years absence.

Four. Success in obtaining cessation of hostilities between Columbia and Peru over the Leticia corridor.

Its failures have cost the League the membership of two of its more important members, Japan and Germany. Its failures have brought attacks and insults from every quarter while its successes are forgotten.

The League, on Jan. 10, 1934, will observe the 14th anniversary of its establishment. It will be a moment for stock-taking and decisions for the future.

Japan's withdrawal from the League's two major political failures and one economic failure greatly have increased political and economic severity.

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SWISS FIGHT FOR THE GOLD FRANC

GENEVA (U.P.)—Switzerland, after an agonizing financial and economic year, enters 1934 hoping, but not sure it can keep its franc on gold.

The Swiss are fighting what experts fear is a losing battle.

Monetary developments in France within the next few months will determine whether Switzerland can retain its pre-war gold currency.

Switzerland and Holland are the only European nations which during or after the war did not depreciate their money.

But a heavy adverse trade balance, a gigantic state railway debt, a large national deficit and banking difficulties have been washing the country towards inflation.

If it comes it will be against the desire of the Swiss, who have been the severest critics of President Roosevelt's experiments.

Restrictions of the most drastic nature have been piled up to overcome Switzerland's unfavorable balance of trade which in 1932 totaled \$228,300,000.

The tourist trade, which formerly wiped out about half of Switzerland's visible trade deficit, has decreased in an alarming manner.

In good years foreign tourists spent approximately \$150,000,000 in Switzerland. Now they spend less than half that.

The national unrest, due to high prices and high taxes, has been expressed in the Socialist trend of recent municipal, and cantonal elections.

The canton of the Republic of Geneva recently was the first in Switzerland to vote in a Socialist government.

It is the aim of the Socialists to establish cantonal banks guaranteed by the government.

Developments of the past year all indicate that Switzerland still faces the most critical phase of its financial and economic crisis.

Advertisement for Wadley's Hosiery Club featuring a large number '13' and text about joining the club and receiving a membership card.

Advertisement for Xmas Rodeo at San Angelo, set for Angelo, featuring details about the event and ticket prices.

Advertisement for RITZ ENDS TONITE 10-15-25c, featuring a large 'RITZ' logo and event details.

Advertisement for Smart JEWELRY by D. H. ROETTGER, featuring images of watches and jewelry and text about making a gift.

Advertisement for WILSON DRY GOODS COMPANY featuring 'A BLANKET!' and listing various wool blankets with prices.

Advertisement for West Texas Gas Co. featuring 'Great American Gas' and 'Symbol of Dealer' with text about heat with gas.

Advertisement for 'the MEMORY of a HAPPY DAY' featuring a poinsettia and text about bringing warmth and color to Christmas.

Advertisement for 'Smart JEWELRY' by D. H. ROETTGER, featuring images of jewelry and text about making a gift.