

FATE OF FARM ANTI-WAGE-HOUR BILLS IN DOUBT

ANTI-JAP BOYCOTT SIGNAL



A giant bonfire of boxes bearing "made in Japan" labels signaled the start of a parade in East Liverpool, Ohio, of about 3000 union potters and other workers. The parade was intended to further a Japanese boycott which the potters are sponsoring.

Liquor Sales To Be Banned On Jan. 15th

Date Fixed By Court As Election Returns Canvassed

Legal sale of all alcoholic beverages in Howard county must cease before Jan. 15, 1938 under order of the county commissioners court.

Order for prohibiting sale of legal liquor in the county—to become effective on that date—was issued by the court Wednesday afternoon after results of a county-wide referendum Friday were canvassed.

The official tabulation showed 1,147 votes cast for prohibiting the sale of all alcoholic beverages and 1,029 against prohibiting the sale, or a majority of 118 votes for the dry forces.

Following the canvassing of the returns, the court issued an order that "the sale of all alcoholic beverages be and is hereby prohibited in Howard county, Texas; this order prohibiting such sale to be effective beginning the 15th day of January, 1938, as provided by law."

Although the flow of rumors had subsided, there continued undercurrent talk in some quarters of contesting the election. Beyond the report that an out-of-town attorney had been invited to survey the situation with the view of a contest, there was nothing new on the subject even on the grapevine.

However, there appeared little foundation for any reports regarding an immediate protest on the referendum.

Movie Stars Are Aiding The Needy

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 16 (AP)—Although the stars are reticent to discuss their charitable activities, it was generally conceded today that Hollywood is more "happily conscious" this year than at any previous Christmas season.

There is hardly a personality of note who is not giving more serious attention than ever to bringing happiness to persons less fortunate.

At least a dozen "big names" are sponsoring Christmas parties at orphanages.

Many are providing Christmas week entertainment for large numbers of poor children by purchasing blocks of seats for the special Christmas shows.

Sleet, Snow In The East

Traffic Is Delayed Over Wide Iced-Coated Area

Sleet, rain and snow coated eastern states with ice and slush today, slowing traffic and causing numerous accidents.

At least five persons were killed and many others injured in fall and automobile accidents on Pennsylvania highways.

The metropolitan New York area experienced what the weather bureau described as the "first real sleet storm" of the winter.

Normal temperatures throughout the Middle West today melted sleet of the ice layer on highways and sidewalks, relieving traffic conditions responsible for scores of injuries yesterday.

The weather bureau at New Orleans issued southeast storm warnings for the Gulf coast from Galveston, Texas, to Carabelle, Fla., saying a moderate disturbance in the Gulf of Mexico would move northeastward during the next 24 hours.

Mild weather prevailed in the South and the forecast for virtually every southern state told of warmer weather for the next day or two.

HIGHWAY WORK HALTED

Highway work here has been halted due to weather conditions. Good conditions next week will see work finished.



Panay Incident More Serious, With News Of Attack By Surface Ships

MORE DETAILS OF AFFAIR RECEIVED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Secretary Hull announced today that official reports had confirmed that Japanese surface vessels machine-gunned the American gunboat Panay after it had been bombed from the air by Japanese naval forces.

In making this announcement at his press conference, the secretary of state said this information had been transmitted to the American ambassador at Tokyo for presentation to the Japanese foreign office in the form of representations to supplement facts already set forth in this government's formal note of protest on the bombing.

Machine Gun Attack

Hull gave no complete details of the information received by the state department concerning the machine gun attack.

The state department official advised that the Panay sank two Japanese army motor-boats which approached the ship and machine-gunned it. Some of the Japanese, it was said, boarded the Panay and remained on it about five minutes although the American colors were flying and were easily discernible.

The secretary of state, indicating that this information makes the Panay incident even more serious than it appeared at first, said he still was awaiting a reply from the Japanese government to the formal American protest dispatched Tuesday.

Japan Tries To Make Every Concession

The Japanese, making every concession toward a satisfactory settlement of the Panay incident, augmented their efforts today by voluntarily detaching a company of blue-jackets to formally honor the victims of the aerial bombardment.

These blue-jackets will render a formal naval salute at the point of the Yangtze river above Nanking where Japanese navy planes bombed the U. S. gunboat Panay and three Standard Oil tankers last Sunday afternoon, causing the death of three foreigners.

Japanese authorities said they regarded this tribute as the highest possible voluntary gesture of one nation to another.

As a disciplinary measure, Rear Admiral Nevo Mitsunomi, chief of Japanese naval aerial operations, was relieved of his post. It was announced this act was in line with Japan's pledge to punish officers responsible for the attack.

In addition to the strong demands made by the United States, Japan was confronted with a note, presented by British Ambassador Sir Robert Leslie Craigie, protesting against bombardment of the British gunboats Ladybird and Bee and British merchant ships in the war zone.

Housing Bill Is Approved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The house banking committee approved today the administration's bill designed to encourage construction of up to \$16,000,000 of privately financed new homes.

Committee members said they would attempt to obtain consideration of the measure after the house disposes of its current business—wage-hour legislation.

Meanwhile, Nathan Straus, administrator of the United States emergency public housing program, announced that 700,000 of public funds for slum clearance and low cost housing programs.

Members of the house committee said that in the bill they approved no change was made in a provision for reducing from 5 1/2 to 5 percent the interest and service charge allowed to institutions making loans insured by the federal housing administration.

Report Ship's Crew Became Drunk And Terrorized Women

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He said the report would be made to the state department, transmitted to the maritime commission and then turned over to the committee for further investigation.

Resumption Of Govt. Spending Is Advocated As Aid To Business

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Strong support has developed in congress, a survey showed today, for resumption of government spending on a modified scale in an attempt to spur business activity.

Some anti-administration senators as well as some Roosevelt supporters said they believed new spending must start in January or February, but there was a difference of opinion as to whether it should be of the "pump priming" type.

While these comments were being made, several senators disclosed they had been urged to sign a public statement advocating a 10 point program to stop the business recession.

The steps suggested were revision of business taxes, approach toward a balanced budget, "just re-

lations between capital and labor," reliance of profitable investment of private savings, recognition of the profit motive and superiority of the competitive system, assurance of the safety of collateral, reduction in the general tax burden, maintenance of states' rights, economical and non-political distribution of relief, and preservation of the American system of private enterprise.

No one would claim authorship of the document. Several senators said they had declined to sign the statement, leading some observers to believe its circulation had been abandoned.

Among those advocating greater spending was Senator La Follette (Prog-Neb), who said an increase in work progress expenditures would be likely to provide business with a temporary impetus.

OIL SHUTDOWN MAY AFFECT ALL STATE

SLAIN BEAUTY



Mrs. Wilma Carpenter (above) 38-year-old widow of Philadelphia, was shot to death in her home by an intruder when she screamed. The killer, after hiding a mud, calmly took a bath before fleeing.

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County's Cash Balance Down

Total, However, Is Better Than That Of Last Year

Howard county's cash balance slipped another notch during November but remained above the level for the same time a year ago, regular monthly report of Treasurer T. F. Shipley showed Thursday.

The total balance of all funds at the end of the month amounted to \$33,345.22, considerably under the \$45,275.44 at the end of October, but up from the \$32,452.53 for the last of November in 1936.

During the month road refunding bonds in the amount of \$5,000, plus interest of \$246.18, was paid out of county funds in addition to other operating expenses.

Spur Costly The anemic road and bridge fund suffered another relapse and finished the month, \$68.98 in the red. Expenditures from the fund amounted to \$4,694.99 against receipts of \$4,577.01. One big item of expense, however, was the construction of a railroad spur road to the state hospital site, an operation which required constant working of four tractors and other heavy equipment.

Position of the officers salary fund was none too strong at the end of the month with only \$872.40 on the right side of the ledger. Expenditures from it amounted to \$3,236.69 against receipts of \$1,361.59.

The general fund was in good shape with a balance of \$5,280.03, despite disbursements of \$1,176.15 and resources of \$297.87.

Balances by funds follow: July, \$7,424.52; road and bridge, \$68.98 (deficit); general, \$5,280.03; road refunding, \$5,137.18; special (road), \$2,919.66; highway, \$1,362.02; permanent improvement, \$3,037.09; courthouse and jail, \$1,302.18; viaduct warrant, \$1,106.58; special No. 1, \$2,744.43; special No. 2, \$411; special No. 3, \$1,494.72; and officers salary, \$872.49; total, \$37,345.22.

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BODY FOUND

HOUSTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The body of James Charles, 38, paroled convict, was found today in a shallow ditch about 100 yards from the shore of his home. The body was discovered by J. W. Ogle, a neighbor.

General Sunday Ban Considered By Commission

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Call For Bids On 12 Vessels

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The maritime commission called for bids today for the immediate construction of 12 fast single-screw steel cargo vessels for operation in foreign commerce. The commission said this represented the largest individual peace time order for merchant cargo tonnage ever placed in this country.

Construction of the vessels, the commission said, will initiate an orderly replacement program to rehabilitate the nation's aging merchant fleet of World war origin.

Joseph P. Kennedy, commission chairman, said the World war fleet will be virtually obsolete in five years.

The bids will be received February 1.

Woolworth Employees Leave Their Jobs

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Employees of three Woolworth 5-and-10-cent stores went on strike today following a breakdown of negotiations between union representatives and the company for higher wages and shorter hours.

Miss Clarina Michelson, organizer for the Department Store Employees Union, said about 160 persons quit work. She said pickets had been placed in front of all other Woolworth stores in New York City.

TELEGRAPH WORKERS GO ON STRIKE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—C.I.O. headquarters announced today Postal telegraph operators in six eastern cities went on strike today to force the company to negotiate with the American Radio Telegraphers association.

C.I.O. officials said the Washington office was "tied up in knots" but they had no reports so far on how effective the strike was in the other cities—New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Detroit.

Weather

WEST TEXAS—Generally fair tonight; little change in temperature.

EAST TEXAS—Cloudy, rain this afternoon and east and central portions tonight; colder in north and east portions tonight; Friday partly cloudy, somewhat colder in extreme east portion.

TEMPERATURES

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3	37	37
4	37	37
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7	39	36
8	38	35
9	38	34
10	37	33
11	36	33
12	36	30

Forecast today, 5:45 p. m.; some rain Friday 7:45 a. m.

Leaders Hope To Get Both Completed

Record Speed Will Be Required In Both Houses

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Administration leaders in congress tried hard today to complete the writing of farm and wages and hours bills, but Speaker Bankhead said there was little chance either would reach the White House before the special session ends next week.

In Heated Debate The speaker said he was informed the senate hoped to pass its crop control bill within a few days. The house is struggling over wages and hours measure.

A new attempt to discard the administration-backed wage-hour bill in favor of an entirely different measure plunged the house into heated debate.

Representative Lameck (D-O), offered the substitute. It would empower the federal trade commission to declare employment of workers under "substandard" labor conditions an unfair method of competition.

The administration's measure, WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—William Green adding to the general congressional confusion asked the house today to send its wages and hours bill back to the committee.

The president of the American Federation of Labor sent telegrams to all representatives saying the pending bill was "highly objectionable" to membership of his organization.

would place administration of wages and hours standards in the hands of a special five man board.

"The senate, meanwhile, debated a substitute by Senator Lee (D-Okla) for the custom control provisions of its pending farm bill.

Neither bill can be sent to the White House before the special session ends Dec. 22 unless there is almost unprecedented speed in conference negotiations between senate and house.

House leaders, successful in warding off the first of several suggested substitutes for the wage-hour bill, said "the worst is over."

The vote which encouraged them was a 122 to 131 rejection of the American Federation of Labor's proposal.

That measure offered by Rep. Griswold (D-Ind), would have written into the law a maximum work week of 40 hours and minimum wages of 40 cents an hour for

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Mystery Couple May Be In Custody Of Russian Government

U. S. State Department Says It Is Only 'Curious' As To Identity

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (AP)—Izvestia, organ of the soviet government, said today that soviet authorities "have taken measures to seek out and arrest" the missing couple known as "Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Robinson."

This was interpreted in foreign circles to mean that the couple, who professed to be Americans, have been under arrest since their strange and unexplained disappearance last week, although the news paper refrained from any such statement.

After publishing the announcement by the American state department that the "Robinsons" entered Russia under passports obtained fraudulently, Izvestia said:

"According to information received by the editor, the soviet authorities have taken measures to seek out and arrest the persons mentioned in the telegram (from the state department)."

The most puzzling question seemed to be the real identity of the couple and whether they actually were American citizens.

(Federal agents in New York investigating for the United States state department the issuance of falsified American passports to the "Robinsons," pursued a theory the couple were espionage agents allied with an American communist group opposed to the present regime in Russia.)

Before the appearance of Izvestia's statement Americans in Moscow believed the couple already had been arrested when the self-styled New York writer and his wife vanished last week from a Moscow hotel.

Referring to the New York investigation, Izvestia said: "The declaration of the state department leaves little doubt we are referring to the same persons."

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DEFICIT IS BELOW FDR'S ESTIMATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The treasury announced today the net deficit has fallen below the \$695,245,000 estimate for the fiscal year made by President Roosevelt last October 19.

The deficit exceeded this figure Nov. 20 but heavy tax collections during the 11 days of this month reduced it by \$55,000,000.

On Dec. 14 the net excess of expenditures was down to \$686,947,023.

A further reduction, yet to be calculated, occurred yesterday, the due date for quarterly income tax payments.

CHINESE SECTION OF U. S. NAVY HAS ALWAYS BEEN BUSY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—That little section of the American navy operating in Chinese waters, naval officials said today, probably has been under fire more frequently in the last 67 years than any other squadron.

Ever since 1870, they said, the story of the Yangtze river patrol and the South China patrol has been studied with deeds of heroism, struggles with floods and gun battles with bandits, pirates and rioters.

The Panay, bombed Sunday by Japanese aviators, was the first of the force to be sunk by a foreign power.

Activities of the last decade, however, were highlighted by riots in 1927 and bandit attacks in 1930.

In the earlier years, the patrol spent two months evacuating

Americans and other foreigners from Hankow and other up-river cities. It had to call for reinforcements from the Asiatic fleet for a battle with rioting nationalist troops at Nanking.

During the eight-month period beginning in July, 1930, there were 37 bandit attacks on the patrol and 87 additional attacks on American guards stationed on commercial vessels.

The patrol was established by treaty to protect American lives and property, and to keep the stream of commerce open.

Old vessels which comprised the squadron some of them gunboats seized from Spain in 1898, were replaced by six new gunboats in 1923.

The Americans always have operated under orders never to fire unless fired on.

DARE TO DREAM BY ALICE MARIE DODGE

her. Might as well get it over with. She started at once, walking through the orchard, past the framework of Stan's new house and thence to the highway.

Chapter Five FACING STARK REALITY "I'll have to think it over, Leila," said Nelda. Nelda sniffed. "There's nothing to think over so far as I can see."

Nelda picked up the dishes at her place and carried them into the kitchen. There she met Uncle Ham. "Leila been devilin' you about dividin'?" he whispered, his faded gray eyes bright beneath his bushy brows.

Uncle Ham motioned toward the dining room with his cane. "She's been crabbin' about the place ever since we came. It'll be much nicer here with her gone."

"But—" Nelda hurried past him. What was the use of telling him or anybody else that she detested living on a ranch, let alone running one?

a commercial artist and make loads and loads of money. "Money," There was a bitter edge of irony in his voice. "I suppose you wanted to taste champagne, wear furs and orchids?"

"Of course. And some one to lift the cover off the soup tureen." "I think you've got a bad case of egotism," was his surprising reply, a queer hard light in his blue eyes making them look like chips of ice.

"You're acting as if you're the only man who ever had to take to it," he wheeled and strode toward his home with something sturdy and grim in the whole set of his figure. The fox terrier ran ahead of him.

Nelda's eyes opened wide as she stared after him. "Why—why," she spluttered, "the nerve of him!"

Chapter Six NELD A BECOMES MANAGER The next week passed like a dream to Nelda. A career had become a white, burning ideal. Her graduation from college was the background of her mind like unfinished business. She wouldn't let herself think she was to stay here long. Something would happen. Something must happen.

"The untouchable, your father called it," Mrs. Barrie said. "I want you to carry out his wishes, Nelda." "I'll try to, Mother. And I'm going to plant something on the land that will pay well enough to take care of my education, too."

"I hope so," Mrs. Barrie's tone wasn't very convincing. "Leila came suddenly into the room. "I'd love to have the highboy for our new house, Mr. Barrie," she said without preface.

Nelda was startled. If her mother gave Leila the highboy there was no telling what else he would want. Perhaps the Windsor chairs, Leila was that way. Give her an inch and she—Why, she might even want the teaset that had come around the Horn with great-grandmother Barrie!

As she entered Bill Langdon's front yard she noticed that it was the last word in neatness. On the porch her attention was caught by a glimpse of blue velvet window drapes. You saw drapes like that in fine city homes, seldom or never in ranch houses.

Her knock at the front door brought no response, she peered through the glass panel. She could see a big davenport, two easy chairs with tall lamps beside them. In one corner was a case of books. Her eyes widened with astonishment. Why, Bill had taste!

And where in the world had he gotten such lovely things? He looked so poor with his cheap gray suit and that old car. Perhaps the furniture had come with the house when he bought it. But something told her that was not the right answer. She pressed her nose against the glass to look further into the room.

"Did you want to see me?" Bill said behind her, causing her to give a start. "Yes—I—" she stammered in utter confusion. He would catch her peeking into his house. "Will you plow for me?" she brought out in a tumble of words.

He smiled and a certain charm flashed out to her in that smile. "Certainly," he said. "What are you going to plant?" "Lettuce, I guess." "That's the idea! Get a crop off in the spring and another in the fall."

"Another in the fall," she repeated vaguely. "You'll have to rotate your crops, though. Lettuce takes a lot out of the soil." "It does?" Her voice sounded into to her own ears.

"How much—?" Again Nelda was reduced to blushing confusion. It was embarrassing to ask Bill how much he would charge to plough. "I estimate my prices by the time it takes for the work," he said quickly. "Yes—oh, yes!" She hated herself for letting this man see so clearly into her mind.

"Did you walk down here?" he asked. She nodded. "Want me to run you home?" "I prefer to walk." That way she said it left the impression that she wanted none of him or his old wreck of a car, but she was really taking out her annoyance at herself upon him.

over the game... (the post mortem, they called it. "They're going to visit you some week-end," Reck's gay, young voice broke into her reflections.

It was as if she'd said a man like that wasn't capable of giving good presents, and Nelda knew she hadn't heard the last of the subject. A very different visitor was Mrs. Reckless. Nelda sensed there was something more than neighborliness behind the call because the day was stormy. Mrs. Reckless was sitting up very straight in her handsome dark blue sedan which was driven by a plain, little woman whom she introduced as Miss Blaine, her secretary, and addressed merely as Blaine.

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small white dog. She threw on her brakes. "Stop that!" she commanded. "Who?" the boy returned impudently. She was out of the roadster in a flash, her eyes blazing.

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Standard Will Build Station New Service Unit Located Across From City Hall

Work will be started this week on a modern service station of the Standard Oil Co. It was announced Monday.

26 Counties Included In Tenant Plan Nine Million Dollars Allotted For Program In Texas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 (AP)—Representative Poage (D-Tex.) said today Secretary Wallace had approved selection of 26 Texas counties in which the Farm Security Administration's tenancy program would operate.

Bowie, Lamar, San Augustine, Cherokee, Houston, Hunt, Van Zandt, Navarro, Dallas, Johnson, Falls, Williamson, Fayette, Wharton, De Witt, Nueces, Hidalgo, Bexar, Baylor, Haskell, Jones, Tom Green, Reeves, Floyd, Wheeler and Randall.

The last three named counties will come under the "dust bowl" regional office of the administration in Amarillo; the others under the Dallas regional office.

Poage said \$9,000,000 allotted the state for the program would be divided among the counties according to the percentage of tenancy, with no county having less than five or more than ten projects.

Falls county, in Poage's district, leads the list with 73 per cent of its farmers tenants, and Hidalgo county trails with 40 per cent.

The Dallas Farm Security office supplemented the Washington announcement with the following: Bexar county loans operable on eight farms at \$2,500 each; Hidalgo, five farms at \$4,250 each; Reeves, five farms at \$1,250.

Tom Green, five farms at \$5,000; Nueces and Baylor, 10 farms at \$5,100; Jones and Haskell, 10 farms at \$7,800; Johnson, eight farms at \$8,000; Dallas, Falls, Hunt, Lamar, Williamson and Navarro counties, 30 farms at \$8,000 each; Fayette and Dewitt, 18 farms at \$6,500 each; Bowie, Cherokee, Houston and Van Zandt, 32 farms at \$5,000.

San Augustine, 10 farms at \$3,400; and Wharton county, five farms at \$7,400 each. The total of 146 farms were eligible for \$820,250 in loans.

Continued next week

Seek Slayer Of Lamesa Clerk Rewards Totalling \$1,250 Posted For Criminal

Officers over a wide area of West Texas searched Monday for a hijacker who Saturday night fatally shot Maxie Woodroof, clerk, in a robbery of a Lamesa store.

The hunt for the fugitive was further spurred by announcement of rewards posted by Governor James V. Allred and the citizens of Lamesa. Governor Allred posted a reward of \$250 for arrest and conviction of the robber, and Lamesa people offered \$1,000.

Big Spring officers, although watching for the suspect, said they had had no trace of him Sunday or Monday morning. The man who robbed a store of \$500 and fled before Woodroof overtook him was described as being between 30 and 35 years of age, having a three-day's growth of beard on his face, about six feet tall and wearing blue overalls and jacket. According to radio reports received here by the police radio station, and broadcast over the area, he may be driving a 1929 Chevrolet coupe.

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AIRMAIL POURS IN DURING TEST OF 'FEEDER' LINES HOUSTON, Dec. 13 (AP)—The final roundup of airmail letters from 50 Texas towns on experimental "feeder routes" sped toward destinations all over the nation today.

A total of 32,000 were cancelled at the postoffice here yesterday as "airmail feeder" week, sponsored jointly by the postoffice department and Eastern Airlines, ended.

The ninth and last ship furnished by the Eastern Air Lines landed at the airport here yesterday afternoon, bringing 127 pounds of mail from Odessa, Midland, Brownwood, San Angelo, Brady and Temple.

Charles P. Graddick, superintendent of the postoffice department's airmail division, predicted there would soon be airmail service to include smaller communities.

Postmaster J. S. Griffith, general chairman of the feeder week experiment, said Texas had broken all records for such trials.

LON SMITH TO TAKE NO PART IN 1938 CAMPAIGN AUSTIN, Dec. 13 (AP)—Railroad Commissioner Lon A. Smith said today he would take no part in next summer's political campaigns.

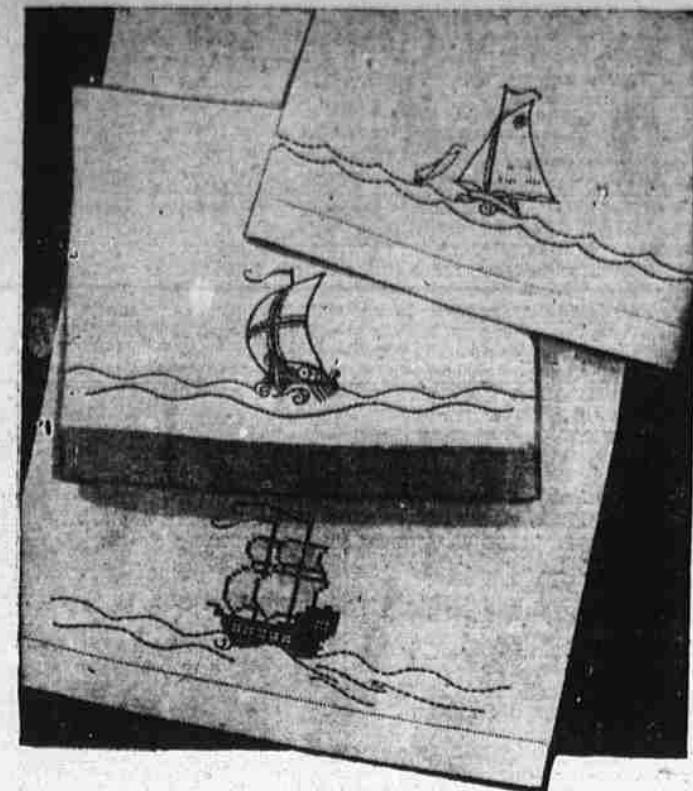
Commissioners C. V. Terrell and Ernest O. Thompson, with whom Smith frequently has clashed in recent years, are expected to be candidates, Terrell for re-election and Thompson for governor. Smith, last summer opposed Thompson's renomination.

RURAL SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE FOR XMAS HOLIDAYS DEC. 22 All rural schools of Howard county are due to close their doors for the Christmas season on the afternoon of December 22.

County Supt. Anne Martin said they would reopen January 2.

Visitation of rural schools by Miss Martin and Sue B. Mann, deputy state superintendent, will be concluded Tuesday. They are inspecting rural aid schools only and will visit others some time after the holiday season.

Embroider Towels On Boats



By RUTH ORR
PATTERN No. 544
If you want towels that are ultra-modern, yet will look well with any other furnishings you may have, then these charming boats are just what you need to embroider on them. They can be made in any gray colors to fit your other decorations, or they can be used as silhouettes. However you wish to do them, the stitches are simple, and the completed towels colorful.
The pattern envelope contains hot iron transfer for two copies of

each motif (6 motifs averaging 6x14 inches each); complete, easy to understand illustrated directions, also what materials and colors you will need to obtain.
To obtain this pattern, send for No. 544 and enclose 10 cents in stamps or coin (coin preferred) to cover service and postage. Address: Big Spring Herald, Needlework Department, P. O. Box 172, Station D, New York, N. Y.
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15 IN THIS DISTRICT SHARE IN LIGHTING CONTEST PRIZES

A Big Spring entrant, Bobbie Hill of 407 West Eighth street, was one of three grand prize winners in the "Reddy Kilowatt Christmas Gift" contest, sponsored by the Texas Electric Service company. Winners in the event, which ran from Oct. 20 to Nov. 20, were announced Thursday, Young Hill, by his ingenuity in demonstrating how lighting fixtures should be arranged properly in a home, was the recipient of an electric refrigerator.

Two Big Spring contestants, Chet Cluck and Billy Hill, were district prize winners. The former was given a kitchen mixer, the latter a waffle iron. There were 12 winners of general prizes in this district of the Texas Electric Service company, which includes Big Spring, Lamesa and other Howard county points.

The contest was limited to young people under 18 years of age. They were given diagrams of a home, completely furnished except for lighting fixtures, with instructions to block in the proper fixtures for each room, taking into consideration harmony of fixtures, bulb wattage, etc. There were 106 entries in the contest from this district.

General prize winners in Big Spring and their awards, included: Lera Louise McClenny, automatic iron; Patsy Ruth Rossen, table study lamp; Clara Sue Vastine, automatic iron; Billy Dave Hancock, waffle iron; Julian B. Fisher, toaster set; Elizabeth Anne Burrell, floor study lamp; Patsy Ruth Spencer, waffle iron; Alva Marie Powell, floor study lamp; Lottie Starnes, waffle iron; Bennett Petty, waffle iron; Terry Alton Carter, automatic iron. A winner from Lamesa was Billie Grace Webb, who was given a table study lamp.

Installation Tonight

Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and its auxiliary will hold joint installation services this evening 7 o'clock at the W. O. W. hall.

WPA PLANNING TO BOOST PERSONNEL

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 16 (AP)—A survey to determine what increases could be made in Works Progress Administration personnel for Texas was begun yesterday by H. F. Drought, state administrator, after his return from a conference of regional directors in New Orleans.

An increase for the winter months will be made possible as a result of a recent order by Harry L. Hopkins, WPA administrator in Washington, it was said.
A staff meeting called by Drought was to determine where increased payroll would be advisable. The increase will depend largely, it was learned, on the available aid from local governments.

TOO EFFECTIVE

DU QUOIN, Ill., Dec. 16 (AP)—Du Quoin's Christmas decorations were just too effective.
A city employee, railroad official said, placed a red light at the Main street crossing.
The Florida-bound passenger train came to an abrupt halt. Quickly the bulb was changed to green.

TO SPEND MILLION

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 16 (AP)—A. Powell, executive vice-president of the San Antonio Public Service company, announced today that the company planned to spend \$1,000,000 in 1938 for service extension installations and new material mainly in the gas and electric divisions of the utility company.

Clothes Make 50 Per Cent Of The Man, Says Authority On Subject

Money Is No Object According To Capt. John Murdock

By GLADWIN A. HILL
NEW YORK, Dec. 14 (AP)—Appearance is 50 per cent of a man's value, says Captain John Murdock, British men's fashion authority, who believes any man, rich or poor, can be well-dressed.

Here from London for a look at American clothes trends, Murdock today offered these "ten commandments" of dress for would-be Beau Brummels:

1. Always wear clean linen—clean shirts, collars, cuffs and clean handkerchiefs.
2. Always have your shoes shined brightly.
3. Always have your suits in press and well brushed.
4. Always be what Londoners call "soigné"—have your hair well trimmed and your nails properly cared for.
5. Buy as good quality clothes as you can afford—one good suit will outlive three cheap ones.
6. Alternate your clothes, so that you give them some "rest"—clothes are just like human beings; they get tired.
7. Don't appear overdressed. Loud clothes and loud colors are the thing for country wear, but not elsewhere.
8. Don't wear your clothes self-consciously—make them fit into your activities, your movements and your personality.
9. Choose designs that suit you—fat people shouldn't wear square patterns and thin people should avoid long stripes.
10. Learn the art of caring for your clothes. Suits, worn alternate-

VFW Auxiliary Party Held At Gulley Home

Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars held its annual Christmas party Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. L. L. Gulley and played bingo for diversion.

Prior to the games the gifts were exchanged from the attractive tree. Miss Ruby Bell was presented with a three year secretary pin and also received a gift of appreciation from the auxiliary.

Mrs. Fontaine Hair, a guest, was highest scorer in the games and Mrs. Margaret Barnett was low.

In addition to Mrs. Hair, Mrs. G. S. True was also a guest. Members present were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blount, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Della Hicks and Miss Bell.

CALENDAR OF Tomorrow's Meetings

FRIDAY
L. A. to B. of R. T. meeting 2:30 p. m. at the W. O. W. hall.

PHILATHEA CLASS banquet at 7:30 p. m., Settles hotel.

ly and hung up properly—trousers upside down—should keep their press several weeks.
Murdock, a designer and merchandising and style consultant, gives as the best-dressed movie males: John Loder, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Adolphe Menjou, Tyrone Power and Clark Gable.

Farm Bureau Will Continue Policies Of Last Year

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Commitment of the American Farm Bureau Federation to continued support of the policies advocated last spring occupied the attention today of departing delegates to the organization's 19th annual meeting.
The convention voted down the opposition of a determined New York state group yesterday in adopting a resolution which maintained that the agricultural adjustment act of 1937 as presented by the federation to congress last May, gave farmers an opportunity for effective control of surpluses while assuring the nation ample supplies of farm products.

Farm policy resolution demands included an agricultural tariff, reduction of "excessive industrial tariffs" and efforts to develop new domestic and foreign markets.

Other resolution criticized the government's part in rural electrification, opposed legislation which might cause an increase in freight rates, asked action to end monopolistic practices in industry and labor and to eliminate speculation, sought "complete exemption" of agriculture from the national labor relations act, and advocated continuation of the present interest rates on federal land bank and commission loans.

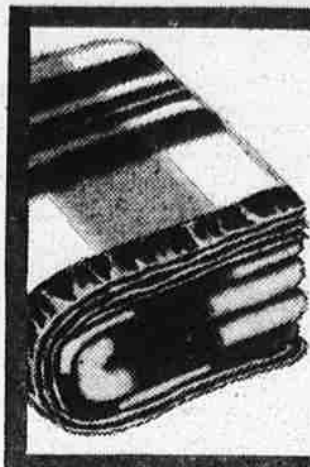
FATALLY INJURED

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Willie Zapada, Sr., 52, Three Rivers business man, was fatally injured yesterday when an automobile driven by his son, Willie Zapada, Jr., 32, of Campbellton, crashed into the rear of a gasoline truck 13 miles south of San Antonio on highway No. 66.

At the Most Opportune Time
Wards New Low Prices
offer you savings never before possible on regular merchandise as well as gifts for Christmas.
*Small Down Payment and Carrying Charge

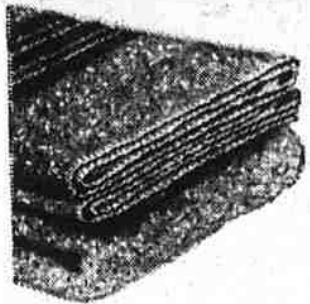
WARD'S LEAD THE PARADE WITH PRICES

Reduced!



70x80 inch blankets
Really two in one
All Wool
PAIRS
549^{PR}

You can't buy two single all-wool single blankets as low priced! Pastel plaids. Also red and black. 70"x80". Sateen bound.



Fine Cotton

Sturdy Blankets 98^{CEA}

For camp. Combined with fine cotton, 66x90 inches. Serviceable, 3 pounds.



Satin Amaroza Slips

Regularly 1.00
New low price 59^{CE}

Tailored brocade and luxurious Amaroza Satin at this amazingly low price.



- Full Bed size, 81x99 in.
- Wear 4 1/2 years by test
- Wash 234 times by test

Longwear
Sheets

Sold nationally \$1 29

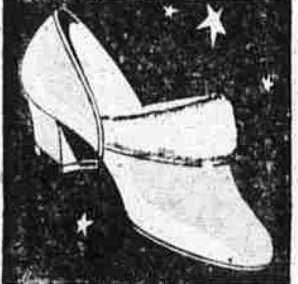
New Low Price 93^{CE}

Closely woven—128 threads to the inch. Hand torn to keep shape. Strong selvage. Bleached pure white.



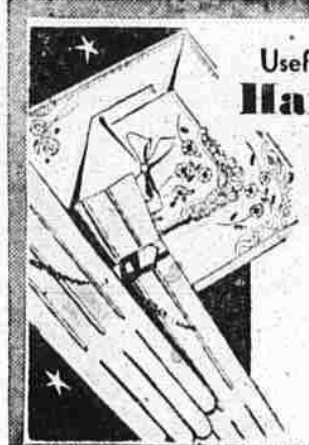
Flatteringly Feminine!
Gowns,
Pajamas
Ward priced 98^{CE}

Show your good taste by giving these! Run-resistant knit rayon in charming two-piece pajama or novel cut gown styles, 16-17.



Felt Slippers
For Women 98^{CE}

The kind of slipper that stays on! Warm plush cuff! Leather soles! Blue, wine! 4-8.



Useful and Welcome Gifts!
Handkerchiefs

Box of 3 19^{CE}

All white with colored embroidery or dainty lace edging. Tiny hemstitched hems—Capeskin Gloves 19^{CE}

Fine attractive slippers with novelty cuffs. 6-8.

"Economy"
unbleached
MUSLIN
New Low Price

38 1/2 in 7^{CE} yd.

Firm 64x60 count, serviceable for sheets, pillow cases. Very smart for aprons and dresses with colorful piping. Improves and whitens after laundering. Very low-priced.

"PRIDE"
80 sq. unbleached
Muslin 13^{CE}

Bleaches white with use. Finest, strongest quality. Long wearing, 39 inches.

Solid Color
BROADCLOTH
12^{CE} yd.

Sturdy, lustrous quality. For shirts, dresses, blouses. White, colors. 35 inches.



New! Smart!
"SNOWFLAKE"
Broadcloth
SHIRTS
Fresh-look 159^{CE}

Rayon-decorated broadcloth! Triple-shrunk collar! Custom-type tailoring! Buy now—at Ward's!



Give months of Xmas

Comfort

to Sonny or Dad
Ward's price 98^{CE}

Slippers with looks as well as wear! Flexible leather soles. Rubber heels. Blue, brown, wine. 6-11.



Rayon Panties
for women 39^{CE}

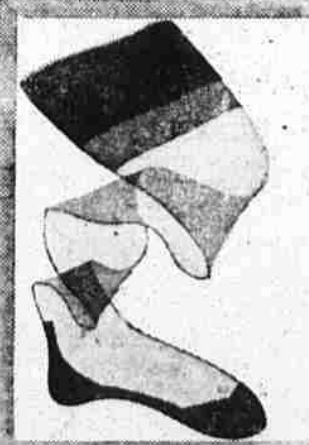
Heavyweight knit rayon; tailored or with lace trimming. Fitted waistband.



Patents!
this is the
Corduroy
Longie Outfit
every boy wants!

Ward's Low Price 349^{CE}

Jacket has Talon fastener front, side straps, sleeve tabs. Full cut longies, 5 pockets. Sizes range from 10 to 18.



RINGLESS
CHIFFONS
55^{CE}

Pure silk, full fashioned hose. Sheer but dependably strong. Choose any of the new colors. 8 1/4-10 1/4.

Ringless Chiffon or Pure silk! Also ringless service-weight hose. 65^{CE}



Gift Socks
for men 25^{CE}

Wide assortment of patterns in novelty rayons or part wool. Reinforced heels; toes.



Men's Gloves
Fleece Lined 89^{CE}

Outstanding value! Soft, comfortable capeskin, with warm linings. Black, brown.



Fast Color
New Low Price Men's
Shirts 69^{CE}

Laundrying won't dull these patterns! All Wilt-proof collars—will not curl!



Gift Belt Set
Big Value 100^{CE}

Full-grain cowhide belt... buckle... tie chain... clip... in a useful bakelite box!

IF YOU DRINK "Get on the Blend Wagon"



JULIUS KESSLER, America's Great Whiskey Authority, says:

"You'll know what I mean when you try a pint of my lighter, velvet tasting 90 proof Kessler's Private Blend. It's the finest tasting whiskey I've made in my 65 years' experience."



Some Taste- And The Price Is Rockbottom

Get on the Blend Wagon with KESSLER'S THE LIGHTER WHISKEY WITH THE VELVET TASTE

KESSLER'S PRIVATE BLEND is a Blended Whiskey. The straight whiskeys in this product are two years or more old. 90% straight whiskey. 70% neutral spirits distilled from American grain. 45 straight whiskey two years old, 15 straight whiskey two years old, 15 straight whiskey 5 years old, 50 Proof. Copy, 1937, Julius Kessler Distilling Co., Inc., Leesport, Pa.

Montgomery Ward

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TELEPHONE 280

Museum

(Continued from Page 1) ty officials that the museum be dissolved meet with favor, for much work, effort and money has gone into the assembling of the institution.

Leaders

(Continued from Page 1) all industries in interstate commerce. The committee bill would leave setting of the standards to an administrator in the labor department acting on the recommendations of investigating committees for each industry.

Mystery

(Continued from Page 1) dealing with some kind of suspicious persons who attempted to pose as Americans.

Pipeline

(Continued from Page 1) Bacon and Davis, New York pipeline engineers, showed the project feasible, Champion said.

Hospital Notes

HOSPITAL NOTES Big Spring Hospital A. B. Forrest of Ackerly was in the hospital Wednesday, undergoing an operation for removal of his left eye.

TULANE TO INAUGURATE 10TH PRESIDENT



PRESIDENT RUFUS C. HARRIS



VISTA FROM LIBRARY



SHADED LANE

Senate Turns To Farm Bill

Substitute Is Defeated Decisively In Roll Call Vote

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—The senate refused today to substitute a domestic allotment cotton program for the compulsory cotton action of the ever-normal granary bill.

Eight-Year-Old Wins Right To Enter The U.S.

DETROIT, Dec. 16 (AP)—Eight-year-old Colin Fraser, who appealed to President a few months ago in an attempt to end his 14-month exile in Canada resulting in an immigration tangle was home today.

SAVINGS-LOAN ASSN. PAYS FOUR PCT.

Dividends at the rate of four per cent per annum on the last six months of 1937 were announced Thursday by the First Federal Savings and Loan association.

LOCAL GROUP WILL ATTEND SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Several school administrators are expected to go from this county to the annual conference of county and city superintendents in Austin January 7-8.

Scotland Has Luxury Court

EDINBURGH (AP)—Scotland's brightest and most luxuriously fitted court, costing \$420,000, has been opened here.

NEW GOING ON OUR GREATEST SALE

Specials Throughout The Store WATER BUCKETS 10 Quart Size Grey Enamel 29c

Appeal Chain Tax Ruling

AUSTIN, Dec. 16 (AP)—Chain store attorneys today asked the Texas supreme court to reconsider its decision December 1 upholding the state tax on chains.

AIRPORT PROJECT EXPECTED SOON

Receipt of the now overdue airport project is expected daily, City Manager E. V. Spence said Thursday.

New Move To Win Mooney's Freedom

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—A new move to obtain freedom for Tom Mooney was backed today by Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia, labor leaders here and congressmen from three states.

Teachers Gather For Yule Party

Howard county teachers joined in the spirit of the season Wednesday evening with their annual Christmas party, held in the Crawford ballroom.

Public Records

In the 70th District Court L. E. Crutts versus Ruth Crutts, suit for divorce.

Organizes Texas Birthday Balls



Jesse H. Jones, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, will head the President's Birthday Ball organization for the State of Texas.

Texas Counties Have Big Boost In Ginnings

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Census bureau estimates showed today that with one major exception, leading cotton counties in the South had reported increased ginnings over last season.

Active Stocks

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MARKETS LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH FORT WORTH, Dec. 16 (AP)—(USDA)—Hogs 500; top 7.35 paid by small killers, packer top 7.85; bulk good to choice 180-270 lb. averages 7.80-9.50; few heavy butchers averaging 280-350 lb. 7.25-9.00; packing sows 6.50 down.

CATTLE 1,800; calves 800; odd lots slaughter steers steady at 5.00-7.25; most yearling steers 4.50-6.50; few good lots to 7.25; load good, fed heifers 6.50 and two truck lots of choice heifers 8.50; beef sows mostly 4.25-5.25; 2 loads 5.35; bulls 3.75-5.00; slaughter calves 4.00-6.50; stockers in light supply and demand dull.

CHICAGO CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—(USDA) Hogs 26,000; early top 8.15; bulk 150-200 lbs 7.90-8.10; 210-240 lbs 7.70-8.00; most packing sows 6.50-7.50.

CATTLE 5,000; calves 1,000; only few loads highly finished steers here; these selling at 11.00-12.75; latter price paid on weighty steers with best yearlings 11.75; heifers steady, best 9.00; mostly 6.75-8.25; bulls 15-25 higher; weighty sausage offerings up to 7.50; 8.46 8.50-9.51 Dec. (new), 8.56 8.56 8.53 8.52B -54A

NEW ORLEANS NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16 (AP)—Cotton futures closed steady at net advances of 9 to 10 points.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16 (AP)—Spot cotton closed steady 9 points higher. Sales 3,401; low middling 6.90; middling 6.40; good middling 8.95; receipts 6,351; stocks 891,568.

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FARM APPLICATIONS DISPATCHED HERE

Applications for benefit payments under terms of the 1937 farm program did not arrive here Thursday morning as anticipated by County Agent O. P. Griffin.

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CHRISTMAS BELL-RINGERS

- Pipes \$3.50 Milano Pipes for only 98c
Toilet Mirror Gift for Her \$1.00
Electric Heating Pad A Thoughtful Gift for Mother \$2.69
Holy Bible A Special Low Price For This Sale \$1.00
Parker Pen and Pencil Set In Gift Box, Choice Colors \$5.00
Comb, Brush and Mirror Dress Set Xmas Sale Price 99c
Midget Flameless Lighter With Big Bottle of Fuel \$1.25

- A MAN'S GIFT
Parker Fountain Pen, each \$1.25
Smart Liquor Service Set 99c
Smoking Set, New, Attractive 99c
Stack of Ash Trays, set 49c
Man's Billfold, hand laced \$1.49
Cigarette Case, smart gift \$2.00
Smoking Stand, Sturdy Metal \$2.69
Holiday CANDY
We carry a complete line of Candies wrapped in Christmas packages. Always an ideal gift. Come get yours before it is too late.
Christmas Candy 5-pound Box \$1.49

- Donald Duck Every Child Wants This Toy 49c
Kodaks Give a Movie Camera This Year. A Complete line of Cameras and Projectors 98c up
Fine Stationery In Fine Wooden Utility Box \$1.49
Silver Wreath To Be Hung in Xmas Trees 10c

SHOP EARLY! Never have we shown such a splendid selection of Gift Merchandise and Christmas accessories. Shop here and save. Store-wide sale with bargains in every department. Only a few of our sensational values can be shown here. Astonishingly low prices. A SMALL DEPOSIT HOLDS ANY ARTICLE UNTIL CHRISTMAS. COLLINS BROS. Cut Rate Drug. For Your Convenience We Will Remain Open Late Each Night From Now 'Till Christmas

Guaranteed Wrist Watch For Boy or Girl Although popular with many adults this gift is highly prized. Xmas Sale Price \$2.95

Prehistoric Belts Found
LEHMAN CAVES NATIONAL MONUMENT, Nev. (UP)—First evidences of human occupancy of Lehman Caves, the scenic, underground wonderland in White Pine county, in an unknown prehistoric age have been discovered by rangers of the national park system.

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A girl who's handy 'round an oven Will keep her loving husband lovin' ALWAYS



PILLSBURY'S BEST
 THE "BALANCED" FLOUR—MAKES GOOD BAKING BETTER

ITEMS FROM MOORE

The Moore Parent-Teacher association met in the study hall on Monday night. The regular business meeting was begun with the opening prayer after which Miss Louise Douglas took charge, as the president, Mrs. D. W. Hayworth, could not attend.

Following a short business meeting, a song, "Home On the Range" was sung by the group. Miss Twila Lomax introduced her program in the form of a health unit which the class has been studying. This little play consisted of the following numbers: Introduction by Billy Barber; song, "My Old Kentucky Home," by a double duet; song, "Smile the While," by third and fourth grade pupils; health song, "Yankee Doodle," by Pauline Petley and Dora Lee Wheeler; poem, "My Dirty Face," by George Brown; mandolin number, "Beautiful Texas," by Billy Barber. The primary rhythm band, under the

direction of Mrs. Jack Edwards, brought a song and band number, "There's Christmas in the Air," with Miss Louise Douglas at the piano. Mr. Ezra Phillips, who is the brother of the school principal, Miss Arah Phillips, and a barber in Big Spring, made an excellent talk on "The Care of the Hair." The program came to a close with the group singing "There's A Long, Long Trail A-Winding," followed by the closing prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Bender and sons of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Adkins and children Sunday afternoon.

The amateur program which was conducted at Moore last Friday night met with decided success. Numbers on the program were as follows: A five-piece German band composed of five Big Spring high school students; The Drifters; the Knott Ladies' quartet; Center Serenaders; piano accordion number by Harrison Nell; song number, "Plenty of Money and You," by Yvonne Hull; clarinet duet by Howard Adams and Lorne War-

ren; song and dance number, "I'm Feeling Like a Million," by Jane Kirkdall; song and dance number, "The Harbor Lights," by Paul McCrary; song, "This One Rose," by Yvonne Hull. First prize of five dollars was awarded to the clarinet duet. Second prize of three dollars was awarded to the Center Point Serenaders. Third prize of a large cake was awarded to Paul McCrary. Each group presented three numbers. M. L. Rowland auctioned off three cakes, which were donated by the ladies of the community.

O. A. Goodman and R. M. Wheeler went Thursday to Abilene where they attended a Bible conference at the Corinth Baptist church, returning after services Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Merrick and sons, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Massey and children, Mrs. Mike Williamson, Mrs. T. J. Dillard and Johnnie Ray Dillard, all of Big Spring, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Merrick.

Miss Annie Mae Hodnett of the Garner community spent last Saturday night with Misses Norma Lee and Marguerite Adkins.

Mrs. D. W. Adkins and sons, Charles and Robert, and daughters, Norma Lee and Marguerite, were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Wood of Knott.

Elbert Newton and Dub Dempsey left Saturday for his home at Dimmit.

Miss Anne Martin, county superintendent, and Miss Sue B. Mann, state supervisor, made their annual check up on this school last Monday, at which time all the trustees were present.

Sunday guests in the home of Mrs. W. P. Pettey and daughters, Ruby, Mary, Viola, and Pauline, and Mrs. S. J. Williams, were Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Goodman and daughter, Joy, Misses Golda Nance and Ella Ann Johnson, Mrs. R. G. Cook, Mrs. Lovelace and daughter, Nancy, and Mrs. Price, all of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wheeler and daughters, Margaret, Callie, Roberta, and Dora Lee.

Pie-Making Champ Defies Anyone To Name All Kinds He Can Bake

TORONTO, Dec. 16 (UP)—Monroe Boston Strause, at a salary of \$100 a day, is telling a chain of Toronto sandwich shops how to make pies more inviting to the public palate.

Strause eats pie all the time and his waitline has not suffered from his gustatory exploits which earned him the title of world's champion pie maker. He has won so many pie contests and created so many new kinds of pie that he can't remember them all.

He originated "chiffon" pies and said he held the secret for four years before it became "public knowledge." He made a fortune out of the recipe while it lasted and traveled 30,000 miles in one year to show hotels and restaurants how to make them. He averages that distance every year.

Out of a job in Los Angeles, his home town, he heard about a \$25,000 prize offered for the best pie made in California. He went to the baker at the Biltmore Hotel with a proposal and they divided the \$25,000.

"Pie is swell food," says Strause. "I eat scads of it. I have a good complexion and marvelous digestion. I always tell people who say pie gives them indigestion to try eating pie first and the rest of the meal last. They get indigestion just the same, but if they eat only the pie they don't. It's overloading that gives them the pains, not the pie."

"Nobody can say how many kinds of pie there are, says the pie king. "I think up now ones every few days, usually while I'm standing watching a baker work. Out of cherries and pineapple, I made 360 kinds in one test. Out of cherries alone I made 150."

Strause believes that bakers make the best pies. Mother was good, but not as consistent. The pie champion "smoked" his pie into a score of big contests and in every case won from the amateurs. In Chicago he won a contest in which 2,546 pies were entered.

You cannot change Strause's mind about it—as a desert pie is "tops."

ARMS SEIZED IN PARIS GARAGE

PARIS, Dec. 16 (AP)—A secret revolutionary committee declared by French authorities to have conspired against the government was linked by police today with a cache of arms seized yesterday in a raid on a Paris garage.

The supply included six light machine-guns and 80 army rifles which investigators said had been stolen from an army arsenal.

Gaston Janniot, owner of the building, was arrested.

Surete Nationale inspectors announced today discovery of a dangerous deposit of a powerful explosive and grenades in the cellar of a building in northwest Paris. Janitor Jeanne Fourtre, who acknowledged he stored the chemicals, was arrested.

UNIFORM ACCOUNTING FORMS OFFERED

AUSTIN, Dec. 16 (AP)—Sample forms of standard governmental accounting systems for Texas' 254 counties were in the mails today.

State Comptroller George H. Sheppard, who sent the forms to county auditors, judges and clerks, said the systems had been worked out to standardize bookkeeping methods and permit an easy check of finances in a control ledger.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

FRIDAY-SATURDAY SPECIALS

- Medium Size Oranges 15^c doz.
- Fresh Cranberries 17^c lb.
- New Crop Shelled Pecans 39^c lb.
- Schilling's Coffee 1 lb. can 28^c
- U. S. No. 1 Spuds 10 lbs. 17^c
- 1 Lb. Pkg. Coconut 19^c
- Pitted Dates 7 1-4 Oz. Pkg. each 10^c
- Assorted Heinz Soups 3 Cans 25^c
- Strictly Fresh Country Butter 1 Lb. 39^c
- Kraft's Miracle Whip Salad Dressing 1 Quart 35^c
- Pet or Carnation Milk 2 Large Cans For 15^c
- Christmas Package Prince Albert 1 Lb. Can 69^c 1 Lb. Glass Jar 89^c
- Soft As Silk—Etching Free With Purchase 44 Oz. Cake Flour Pkg. 29^c

Linck's Specials
 Friday - Saturday

EXTRA SPECIAL XMAS CANDY 2 lbs. for 25^c

- FLOUR -		Heinz's Mince Meat No. 1 Can 23 ^c
PILLSBURY BEST	48 lbs. 1.89	Fresh Cranberries 1 lb. 18 ^c
PILLSBURY BEST	24 lbs. 99 ^c	
HELPMATE	48 lbs. 1.75	
HELPMATE	24 lbs. 92 ^c	

TOMATOES No. 2 Can 8 ^c	MINCE MEAT 9 Oz. Pkg. 10 ^c
2 CANS FOR 15 ^c	3 PKGS. FOR 25 ^c

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The Moore Agriculture class and their teacher, Miss Anna Smith, served a luncheon last Monday as a culminating activity for a garden enterprise unit they had been studying. The luncheon was planned and served by the class. Guests of honor were Misses Sue B. Mann and Anne Martin. Other guests were Mr. M. L. Rowland, G. C. Broughton, L. J. Davidson, D. W. Hart, Misses Arah Phillips, Twila Lomax, Louise Douglas, and Mrs. Jack Edwards. Their program was as follows: Talk by Margaret Wheeler on "The Garden Enterprise Unit"; Talk by G. C. Broughton, Jr. on "The Projects We Have Finished and Will Take Up"; reading, "Giuseppe Da Barber," by Jackie Watts; songs, "The Moon Got in My Eyes" and "The One Rose," by Loveda Shultz, who was the hostess on this occasion. The typing room served as a dining room for the affair, and was attractively arranged with three tables. Each table had a centerpiece of beautiful floral spray, and place cards in the form of Santa Clauses, made by the teacher and pupils.

A. J. Landers has recovered nicely from an operation performed at the Big Spring hospital two weeks ago.

Mrs. Robert Schermerhorn and children of Big Spring visited her sister, Mrs. H. G. Hill, last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Broughton and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Newton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ledbetter and family in the Tarzan community.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Turney visited Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Stroupe and family at Royalty last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stuteville of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Landers last Sunday.

Yule Program At Vincent

Pupils To Appear In Numbers Next Wednesday Night

Details of a community Christmas program, to be held at the Vincent school next Wednesday, Dec. 22, and sponsored by the pupils and teachers of the school, has been announced. The program, to which the public is invited, will be held beginning at 7:30 in the evening. Santa will visit the affair and there will be gifts for everyone.

The program will include the following numbers: "Recipe for Christmas Joy," by primary pupils; "Merry Christmas," by Odell Joiner, Mary Skeen, Bill Bennett, Clekud Mae Clearman, Eldon Henry, Uel Pearl Read, Gay Barr, Mary Garlington, Fay Barr, Binie Lee White, Doris Hargrove, Dell Moore, La Rue Brown, Bill Wilkerson, "Which Is Sweeter?" by Patsy Harris; "Parade of the Stocking," by primary pupils; "Christmas Petition," by Gwendolyn Mitchell; "Jingle Bells and Toyland," by primary pupils; "The Filled Stocking," a pantomime by Bessie Wilkerson, Pauline Joiner, Eldon Henry, Buddy Barr, J. R. Bennett, Harold Garlington; "Christmas Cake," by Dorothy and Martha Dominguez; "What Shall I Do," by Betty Caperton.

NEW CARDINALS

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 16 (AP)—Pope Pius placed red hats upon the heads of five new cardinals at a public consistory today.

The pontiff's face bore signs of a year's suffering due to the infirmities of age and his hands trembled slightly, but he held himself proudly erect upon his throne during the elaborate ceremony.

The five elevated were: Giuseppe Pizzardo, vatican undersecretary of state; Ermenegildo Pellegrineti, U. papal nuncio to Yugoslavia; Giovanni Piazza, patriarch of Venice; Arthur Hinsley, archbishop of Westminster, and Pierre Gerlier, archbishop of Lyon.

Meet Two Texas Teams

NORMAN, Okla., Dec. 16 (AP)—The University of Oklahoma will meet all Big Six conference football foes in 1938 and the remainder of its opponents will be southwestern teams.

The 1938 schedule includes: Oct. 1—Rice at Houston. Oct. 8—Texas at Dallas.

DENIES REPORT

TOKYO, Dec. 16 (AP)—The Olympic organizing committee today denied a report in the newspaper Asahi that Japan is "unable to give a definite answer" regarding its ability to stage the Olympic Games in 1940.

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Console model electric Motorola Radio was \$79.95 now only **\$53.95**
Table model 6-T Electric Motorola Radio was \$59.95 now only **\$39.95**

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Block Built Leather Jackets Regular \$8.95 Value \$6.95 Regular \$15.00 Value \$11.95	Block Built Wool Jackets Regular \$6.95 Value \$4.95 Regular \$7.95 Value \$6.25
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Prices On All Guns Reduced Winchester and Remington GUNS Here you will find a large selection of guns by leading manufacturers. (FUCER) to sell quick during this sale. Don't fail to see these bargains. Here's just a sample: Model 42-110-3 inch Pump Gun was \$34.50 now only \$29.50	Reduced Prices On All SHELLS 12 Gauge Peter High Velocity Were \$1.25 now \$1.10 12 Gauge Peter's Victor Were \$1.65 Now 95c 16 Gauge Hi Velocity Were \$1.15 Now \$1.00 All Shells Reduced in Price
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Power Chef Electric Mixer Regular \$8.75 Value \$6.95	Electric TOASTER Regular \$1.25 Value 99c
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TUBS No. 3 Triple Dipped Was \$1.10 Now Only 95c No. 2 Tub 75c No. 1 Tub 85c	Cookers & Canners All cookers and canners drastically reduced. Take our advice and hurry and get a bargain for yourself. Here's just a sample bargain. No. 18 Automatic Cooker and Canner, was \$16.50 Now only \$13.50
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Bridge Sets
Service for 4
Was \$2.98 Now **\$1.98**

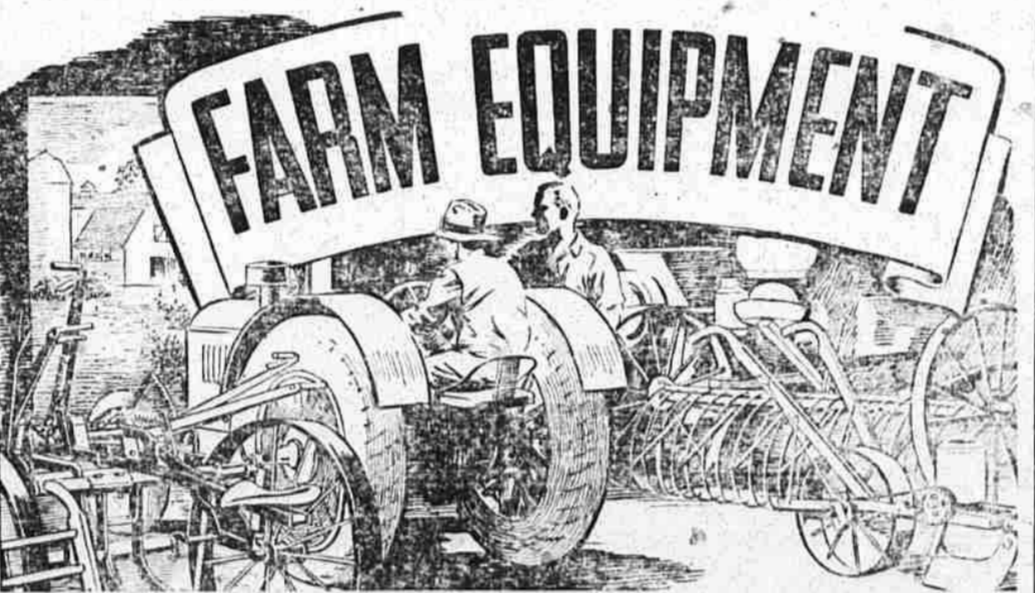
CHINA Prices are "cut-to-the-bone" on the finest selection of China and dishes we have ever displayed. If you really want to save some money and get a real bargain, don't fail to buy during this sale. Give yourself a set of dishes for Christmas.	GLASSWARE \$1.75 Water Glasses \$1.15 Now \$1.00 Fruit Bowl 68c Now \$1.25 Smoking Sets 89c Now 75c Cream and Sugar 50c Now
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CHILDRENS' WHEEL GOODS SALE

Coaster Wagons All Steel With Roller Bearing 14 x 33 Size Wagons Was \$3.25, now \$2.95 Size 16 x 33 Wagon Was \$3.75 Now \$3.25	Tricycles 20" frame with front fender, steel frame, was \$7.65 Now \$5.95 with 20" tubular frame, sturdily built, was \$6.65. Now \$5.50
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SCOOTERS Were \$6.50 Now \$4.95 Were \$4.35 Now \$3.39 Were \$1.85 Now \$1.29	"Skippy" Wagon Nationally Advertised Was \$9.95 Now \$7.95 Kiddie Cars Formerly Sold For \$1.75 Now \$1.19
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VEGA SEPARATORS 150 pound capacity separator, was \$65.50 now only \$52.50 360 pound capacity separator, was \$37.50 now only \$29.95 275 pound capacity separator, was \$32.50 now only \$23.95	WASHING MACHINES Bee-Vac Washing machine with gasoling motor, was \$89.50. Now \$63.95 Regular \$89.50 Zenith Electric motor washing machine. Now \$60.95
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GAS HEATERS Was \$31.50 Now only \$22.50 Was \$27.50 Now only \$21.95 Was \$15.75 Now only \$11.95 Was \$10.50 Now only \$8.45	COAL HEATERS Coles hot blast heater was \$22.50 now \$12.95 Palm Oak No. 15 heater was \$15 now \$12.50 Palm Oak No. 13 heater was 13.50 \$11.95 No. 77 Rex Upright Heater was 11.50 now \$9.50 No. 66 Rex Upright Heater was \$9.50 now \$7.95
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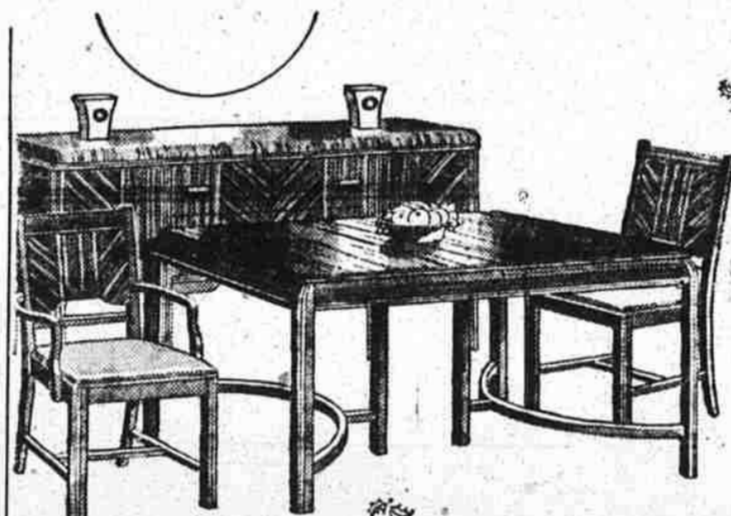


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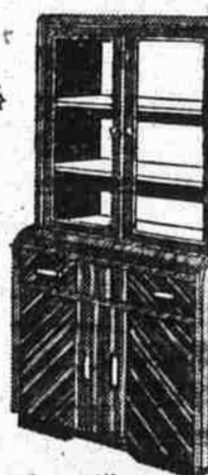
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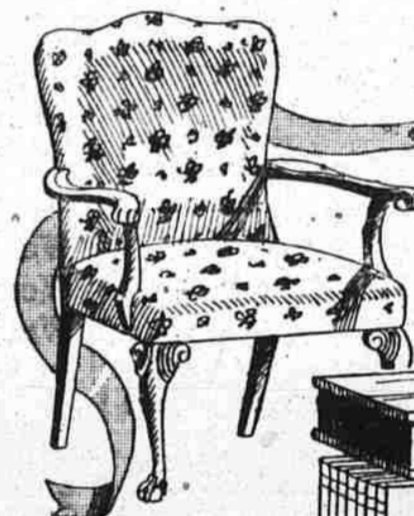
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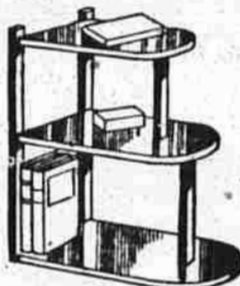
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Legion Post Is Organized

28 Listed As Charter Members At Meeting Here. Revival of American Legion activities in Big Spring was assured Friday evening with application for a local post charter.

Charter members listed Saturday were R. L. Winn, Cliff Wiley, M. S. Goldman, Joe T. Ogden, Ben R. Stout, C. L. Bryant, L. W. Croft, R. C. McEwen, Harry Edens, E. V. Spence, H. B. Hurley, J. E. Friend, M. C. Lawrence, N. H. Payne, L. M. Weed, Charles L. Payne, C. S. Blomfield, J. F. Laney, O. L. Grandstaff, Dr. M. H. Bennett, J. H. Homans, Roy Carter, Joe Butts, J. Y. Robb, G. C. Duffham, Lester Fisher, C. L. Rowe, and Day Cornelison.

Farm Worker Is Lowest On Wage Scale

Agriculture Dept. Estimates \$300 As Yearly Average. WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (UP).—Farm laborers are the lowest-paid class of workers in America, a Department of Agriculture survey revealed today.

Annual earnings range from \$62 to \$748 a year among groups surveyed and average approximately \$300. Average farm wages in many localities were found to be less than 50 cents a day.

The department estimated there are 2,500,000 persons engaged as farm laborers. An intensive personal canvass was made of laborers in 11 counties in many states in representative sections of the country.

Investigators went into the heart of the corn belt, the wheat belt, the cattle and sheep country, into tobacco, cotton, fruit and dairy regions. The survey included part-time as well as permanent employees.

Lag in Farm Wages. Farm wages, although they have increased 50 per cent since 1932, have not risen as rapidly as farm income and city wage earnings, the survey said. Compared with other wage-earning groups farm laborers receive 20 per cent less than they did in the five years before 1929.

35 MORE DAYS FOR LEGAL LIQUOR; DRYS WIN ELECTION BY 118 VOTES

Legal liquor appeared Saturday to have about 35 days of grace before Howard county returns to its former status as a dry county, under mandate from the people in a local option referendum Friday. With a total vote of 2,178, drys ran up a winning margin of 118 votes.

Thirty days from the declaration of the election results, the county is due to once more become legally dry, and sale of all alcoholic beverages—beer to whiskey—will be prohibited under law. Thus it appears that package stores and beer vendors will be called upon to stop their sales on or about January 14, 1938, ending a 23-month wet regime.

Meanwhile, reverberations from the closely fought vote of Friday brought vague rumors of contests, precinct elections and or more county wide balloting. None of these could be authenticated.

As had been generally predicted, all four of the city of Big Spring boxes went "wet" in the Friday voting, prohibition being opposed in the city by a total of 886 to 695. What had not been predicted was an overwhelmingly "dry" count at

Foran. That box reversed its stand in the 1936 election and joined every other rural precinct in running up the winning figure for prohibition forces. Morris assumed a unique position in giving every one of its 23 votes to the dry side. Under terms of the Texas liquor control act, no local option election in any county, justice precinct, or

Liquor Vote: This Year And Last

Table with columns for DEC. 10, 1937 and FEB. 29, 1936. Rows include Precincts (1-5), Vincent, Gay Hill, R-Bar, Coahoma, Foran, Center Point, Moore, Morris, Soash, and TOTALES. Shows DRY MAJORITY 118 and WET MAJORITY 318.

incorporated town or city" can be held within one year from the date of the preceding local option election in the county or political subdivision thereof.

County and city officials may consider, as soon as results are canvassed, the refunding of license fees to beer and wine and package store operators, as well as to other

Seals Selling At Good Pace. Local Tuberculosis Assn. Hopeful Of Reaching Goal. Initial response to the Christmas seal sale campaign Saturday had started the Howard County Tuberculosis association well on its way toward a \$500 objective.

Turkey Prices Goes Higher. Texas Quotations Are 3 Cents A Pound Above Last Year. CUERO, Tex., Dec. 11 (AP).—Housewives of the nation today faced the prospect of paying more for the Christmas turkey as prices in the west Texas producing areas shot up three cents a pound above last year's high.

Increase Reported In Crude Output. TULSA, Okla., Dec. 14 (AP).—The nation's average daily production of crude oil increased 35,031 barrels during the week ending December 11 to 3,422,208 barrels, the Oil and Gas Journal reported today.

EROSION HAZARD IN DUST BOWL REDUCED. AMARILLO, Dec. 15 (AP).—The wind erosion hazard in the "dust bowl" has been reduced this year to 30 to 35 per cent of the serious situation that existed at this time last year, the regional advisory committee on land use practices in the five state area, reported in conference here today.

licenses. It was estimated that on the basis of unexpired time on the permits, fees in about the amount of \$3,000 will be refunded by county and city. Of this amount, around \$1,800 is believed to be the county's share. There are about 87 establishments in the county dealing in one way or another with alcoholic beverages, barely more than a score of them being package stores.

Beer was voted into Howard county in September 1933 and other liquors became legal after a local option election in February of 1936. Prior to that time, Howard county had been dry since a bitter election in 1906.

That's Viewpoint Of Assistant Attorney General. NEW YORK, Dec. 11 (AP).—"Big business" was blamed for the economic recession tonight by Robert H. Jackson, assistant U. S. attorney general.

Local Store Burglarized. Cash Taken From Safe At Wacker's Establishment. Officers Monday were investigating the burglary of Wacker's store here sometime during the week-end.

Texas First In Farm Benefits. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 (AP).—The bureau of agricultural economics reported today that Texas led all states in the amount of government benefit payments to farmers during the first ten months of this year.

4-H GIRLS TO HAVE PARTY SATURDAY. Members of the county's 4-H girl clubs will gather in the First Baptist church basement Saturday at 2 p. m. for a Christmas party.

Contracts Closed, Hospital Work To Start Next Month

Bids Accepted On Local Project Total More Than \$633,000; Some Items Held Up For Funds. Specification that work on the state hospital at Big Spring should start early next month was handed down by the state board of control as it met in Austin Monday to award contracts for most of the construction on the \$817,000 institution.

Contracts were awarded on the basis of low bids tabulated last week. The board eliminated a tunnel, plumbing and heating from the power house through the tunnel to the buildings, a steel tank and elevators in the general structure. Contracts on these items can be let later if sufficient funds are available.

Local Firm Named. Psychopathic hospital: General, Hill & Combs, \$114,210; plumbing, A. P. Kasch, Big Spring, \$14,070; heating, Beach Plumbing company, \$5,783; electric, Martin Wright Electric company, San Antonio, \$4,533.

City Holds Auction Sale On Buildings. Despite weather conditions, the city of Big Spring went on with its auction sale of 16 structures on the state hospital site Tuesday afternoon.

Trial Counties In Tenant Program Be Named Soon. Announcement of the counties in Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and Oklahoma which the Bankhead-Jones farm tenant act will be administered, is expected at an early date, according to Claude C. Carpenter, county rural rehabilitation supervisor for the Farm Security Administration, with offices at Big Spring in the First National Bank building.

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Dr. Root Of Colorado Dies

Well Known Physician Had Practiced There 25 Years. COLORADO, Dec. 10—Death, in an Abilene hospital, today claimed Dr. C. L. Root, widely known West Texas physician and surgeon, a practitioner in Colorado for 25 years. Dr. Root, 67, succumbed at 5:20 a. m. Word of his passing brought widespread mourning here, where he was esteemed not only as physician and operator of the hospital which bears his name, but also as a civic and religious leader.

Dr. Root entered the hospital in Abilene about 10 days ago. His condition was not thought to be serious, since he apparently was recuperating from an attack of influenza. His condition, complicated by a heart involvement, became grave a few days ago.

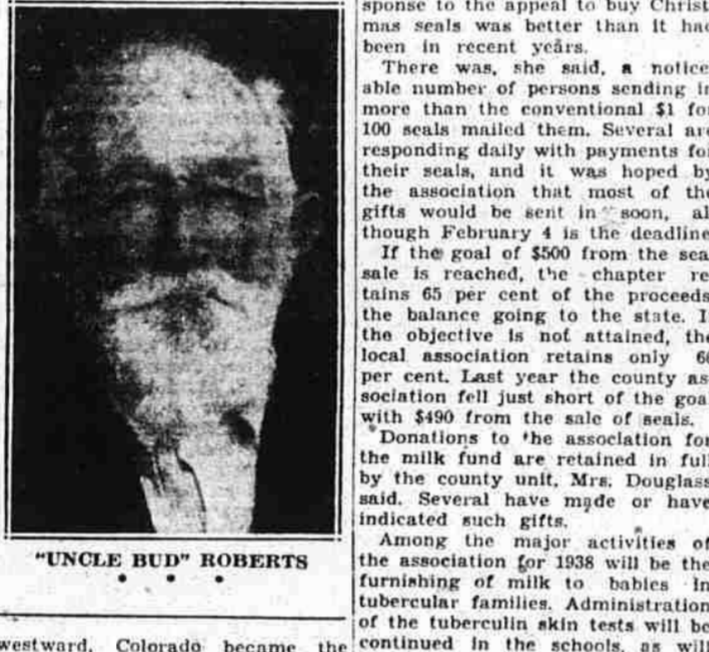
Funeral services were held at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, at the First Christian church here, of which Dr. Root was an active member. Survivors are his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Bill Hamburg, of Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Jimmy Cook of Colorado; a son, C. L. Root, Jr., of Colorado; two brothers and a sister.

Club Installs Officers. Dr. Sanders Serves Business Group As President. A new slate of officers, headed by Dr. Preston R. Sanders as president, was installed by the Big Spring American Business club at its luncheon session Friday.

Soil Erosion Gains Headway On Work Of Reclamation. SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 10 (AP).—Soil erosion is ruining America's farmland and the government must replace them with newly irrigated areas, U. S. Reclamation Commissioner John C. Page said today.

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RULING IS AFFIRMED. The eleventh district court of civil appeals at Eastland Friday affirmed ruling of the 70th district court here in the case of G. T. Hall versus Nicholson Wolcott. The district court had held against Mrs. Wolcott on a plea of privilege. However, the appellate court ruled Friday had little effect, since Mrs. Wolcott, Martin county rancher, had since entered federal court in Pecos under the bankrupt provisions of the Frasier-Lemke act.



"UNCLE BUD" ROBERTS

Leslie Howard, Bette Davis Essay Comedy Portrayals In Ritz Feature For Weekend, 'It's Love I'm After'

Young Stars In Picture At Ritz

'Thoroughbreds Don't Cry' Has Race Track Background

Thrills of the racetrack form the background for a dramatic story of childhood friendships and loyalties in "Thoroughbreds Don't Cry," which offers an intimate glimpse into both the hearts of youngsters and the machinations between scenes in turfdom. The picture plays at the Ritz Friday and Saturday.

Introducing Ronald Sinclair, Hollywood's latest find in British boy actors, teamed with Judy Garland, child singer and actress, the veteran Sophie Tucker, both of whom scored in "Broadway Melody of 1936," and Mickey Rooney, young Sinclair appears in his first important role. He was a stage star in New Zealand, his native land, until discovered by Hollywood.

The story deals with the friendship of a little English boy, grandson of a horse racing sportsman, and a young American jockey, the keeper of a racetrack boarding house and her niece. The jockey is deceived into betraying his friend. Remorse, regeneration and childhood loyalty all are woven into the human story. A great race horse, "The Pookah," is an important figure in the story.

Alfred E. Green directed the new picture which was filmed largely at the famous Santa Anita racetrack. Many famous race horses and jockeys appear in its action. A notable cast includes C. Aubrey Smith, Forrester Harvey, Frankie Darro, Charles D. Brown, Henry Kolker, Helen Troy and many others. Thousands appear in the race track sequence. The story is an original by Eleanor Griffin and J. Walter Ruben.

Discuss Plans Of Recreation Program

Pat Murphy Elected Chairman Of Advisory Council

The advisory council of the local recreational department met with H. F. Malone, Big Spring's director of the WPA sponsored project Thursday evening in the corporate court room of the municipal building to discuss plans for the coming year.

Present for the meeting were E. V. Spence, city manager; Pat Murphy, Dan Daniel, Harold Akey and Hank Hart. Walton Morrison and M. K. House, Sr., directors, sent word that they could not attend.

Murphy was elected chairman of the council and assumed his duties. Murphy will lead the program through the coming year and will take part in asking the cooperation of the civic clubs of the city for their cooperation in handling the affairs conducted by the organization.

W. C. Blankenship, superintendent of the Big Spring public schools, was elected to the council on a vote by the other members. He was asked to attend the next meeting which will be held Jan. 11. Malone gave a review of the work that is going on under his direction at the present time and presented his plans for the future. He stated that the program being conducted at the various playgrounds of the city would be widened and extended to the schools with the cooperation of the teachers and the school board.

Spence gave assurance that the buildings which formally housed the CCC enrollees on scenic mountain and which had been bought by the city would soon be moved to their assigned places and would be available to the department within the near future.

Most of the projects are being carried on out-doors but the weather is necessitating a change, Malone announced. The buildings will be used for indoor games and studies of arts and crafts. Malone mentioned the fact that at the close of the first period of the program, which extended from Sept. 1 to Dec. 6, a total of 27,163 had been in attendance.

The WPA expenditures to date, according to the director, have amounted to \$1,022.10 during the three months period while the sponsors' expenses have amounted to \$146.66. The latter item takes in only part of the donations.

Type of programs which has come to the attention of the department includes softball, football, soccer ball, basketball, volleyball, group games, arts and crafts, story telling, singing and play on apparatus.

Future plans discussed included an even broader program, the formation of leagues and tournaments, adult participation, music, dancing, scout work, radio programs and contests and displays of the arts and crafts work.

The council agreed to meet the second Tuesday of every month.

Jeanie Smith, son of Mrs. Lois O'Harr Smith, is ill with scarlet fever at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. O'Harr.

Movie fans have seen Leslie Howard and Bette Davis together in a tragedy ("Of Human Bondage"), a melodrama ("The Petrified Forest"), and now they are about to present themselves on the screen of the Ritz Theatre in a comedy.

"This picture, a Warner Bros. production called "It's Love I'm After," will have its first local showing Saturday midnight, and continue through Sunday and Monday. And it is said to offer conclusive proof that Leslie and Bette are ideal team-mates, no matter what angle their movie may take. It has had splendid reviews from those privileged to witness the pre-showings at Hollywood and elsewhere.

Howard is offered to the fans—in this movie story—as a stage actor of the type that used to be called "matinee idol," and to look at whom all the sentimental young women of Broadway used to cluster about stage doors. Miss Davis is shown as his leading woman. They really love each other, but that doesn't prevent them from stealing every possible scene they can, and wrangling with each other in undetected while they're hypnotizing their audiences with their art. The beautiful and youthful Olivia DeHavilland has the part of a smart and wealthy heiress (though she's so sentimental as the rest of the stage-door fans) who has fallen in love with Howard. The problem that had to be worked out by novelist Maurice Manline, scenarist Cossey Robinson and Director Archie Mayo, was how to get Olivia out of her love-madness and restore her to the arms of her real fiance, played by Patric Knowles.

These geniuses solve the problem nicely—but only after there's been innumerable difficult and highly humorous complications.

Among the other nobles with lesser parts are Eric Blore, Bonita Granville, George Barber, Spring Byington, Georgia Caine, E. E. Clive and Valerie Bergere.

Tots Brave Cold Weather To Test New Swings

Falling temperatures Monday afternoon failed to daunt the spirits of more than a score of children who waited in turns to try out new swings installed during the morning in the West Side park.

The swings, constructed of commodated six larger children and four for smaller ones. Sawsaw material, with the exception of boards, is ready for installation as is a softball backstop.

Playground equipment for the park was made possible by a donation from the American Legion auxiliary, the American Business Club, sponsor of the park, and the city, which installed the swings.

CCC Work In Big Bend Is Halted

No More Activity Until Additional Park Land Provided

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 13 (AP)—Work the Civilian Conservation Corps has been carrying on for more than three years in carving roads and trails through the mountains and wilderness of areas to be included in the proposed Big Bend national park in Texas, will be completed Wednesday and the camp closed, the southwestern regional headquarters of the national park service has announced.

The work has been confined to the Big Bend state park, and cannot be carried further until additional land is acquired by the state and deeded to the federal government for establishment of the national park.

Approximately one-third of a million dollars, or more than \$100,000 per year, has been expended by the federal government since the work program was started in August, 1934. The development has consisted mainly in constructing roads, trails, and bridges; to provide accessibility into the state park. This area, already owned by the state, will be merged into the national park, whose establishment has been authorized by congress when the entire 788,000 acres have been turned over to the government.

"The work completed by the CCC," it was said by acting Regional Director Herbert Maier of the national park service, "has paved the way for extensive development that will be undertaken after the national park has been established."

Forsan Infant Is Claimed By Death

Funeral services for Myrtle Rahey, 10-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rahey of Forsan, were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the Eberly chapel. Burial was in the New Mount Olive cemetery baby section. Rev. B. G. Reichbourn, Baptist minister was in charge.

Myrtle had been ill for the past two months but recently developed pneumonia and succumbed at 11 a. m. Tuesday in a local hospital.

STARRED IN WESTERN DRAMA



Bob Steele and Louise Stanley in a scene from Steele's new western drama, "Gun Lords of Stirrup Basin." The picture is featured at the Lyric Friday and Saturday.

YOUNGSTERS GET TOGETHER



Talent youngsters are grouped for a drama called "Thoroughbreds Don't Cry," which appears Friday and Saturday at the Ritz theatre. Shown here are Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland, the singer, and Ronald Sinclair, a young Britisher whose role is similar to those played by Freddie Bartholomew.

Famed Prison Depicted On The Screen

'Alcatraz Island' To Be Sunday-Monday Feature At Lyric

Almost everybody has heard of Alcatraz Island, that rather smallish bit of rock which is washed by the chill cross-currents of San Francisco bay. But few persons apart from San Francisco residents have ever seen the island itself, and even fewer has been on the inside of the prison situated on the rock.

An inside glimpse of the prison is given in a picture which is the program headliner at the Lyric Sunday and Monday.

The picture is called "Alcatraz Island," and its leading players are John Littel, Dick Purcell, Gordon Oliver, Mary Maguire and Ann Sheridan.

The tale has to do with a racketeer—played by Littel—who is, in his way, fairly decent. He'll take all the money he can get but he won't countenance murder. Because of this latter talent, he is framed by underworld associates and sent to Leavenworth, a minor federal pen on an income tax evasion conviction.

Here he's framed again, made to appear like an incorrigible, and sent to the Big Rock.

"Alcatraz Island" isn't altogether a prison story. It would be too drab if it were. Gail Brady (Littel) has a daughter whom he has kept in private school before his arrest, and who knows nothing about his means of livelihood.

The yarn concerns itself with how the girl (Mary Maguire) falls in love with the district attorney (Gordon Oliver) who has sent Gail away, and with how—after still another framing, this time on a murder charge—Mary and Gordon rally to his rescue at his trial for life.

Feeder Tests On Airmail Termed Successful

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—Charles P. Graddick, superintendent of air mails, said today an airmail "feeder" experiment last week in Texas was "highly successful." He said the Texas experiment, in which small planes carried mail into Houston from smaller cities for connection with a main airmail route, would advance a proposal to adopt such a system throughout the country. He suggested an improvement, "I don't think any one feeder line should be too long," he explained. "Planes from points far out in West Texas should connect with main routes in Fort Worth, rather than having hundreds of additional miles to go as was the case with only Houston as the focal point."

Wheeler And Woolsey In New Play

Lupe Velez Also To Be Seen In 'High Flyers' At Queen

Wheeler and Woolsey, the two high-voltage funmakers of the screen, take to the air in what is said to be the maddest, merriest of all their big-laugh comedies, the new RKO Radio picture, "High Flyers." It is featured at the Queen theatre Saturday midnight, Sunday and Monday.

Flery Lupe Velez is their leading lady, with Marjorie Lord, Margaret Dumont and Jack Carson appearing in prominent roles. The comedians are cast as operators of a trick airplane concession, with Wheeler as a grounded ace giving flying lessons, while Woolsey officiates as "barker."

Trouble starts when the pair accept a proposition to fly out to sea and pick up a package which will be tossed overboard from an incoming steamer. They steal a plane from the harbor police, meet the steamer and get the package. It contains jewels belonging to Arlington, owner of a country estate, which have been stolen aboard the steamer by a confederate of the crook who employed them.

Chased by a revenue cutter, they fly inland, and crash down on the Arlington estate where the owner mistakes them for detectives sent to investigate a series of thefts which have recently taken place there. The real culprit is a dog "Spot" a canine kleptomaniac whose thievish propensities cause all sorts of complications. The jewels are hidden stolen again several times until finally the partners recover the loot for its owner.

Other players in the cast are Charles Judels, Lucien Prival, Herbert Evans, Herbert Clifton and George Irving. The picture was directed by Edward Cline and produced by Lee Marcus.

WPA To Give More Jobs

Rolls Expanded To Take Care Of An Additional 350,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Increased unemployment forced the administration today to expand WPA spending by \$23,000,000 a month, despite presidential economy plans.

The WPA employment rolls, now totaling 1,575,000 persons, will be enlarged to provide jobs for an additional 350,000 persons.

The announcement was made by Administrator Harry L. Hopkins last night shortly before he left for a physical checkup at the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn.

The proposed expansion was reported to be slightly higher than earlier WPA estimates of the winter's relief peak, but Hopkins said it could be handled within his budget.

For the year ending next June 30, WPA has been allotted \$1,275,000,000. It has been spending about \$100,000,000 a month, and has \$775,000,000 left. The increased expenditures can be carried on for a while within that appropriation.

Hopkins declared, however, that there was no implication in his announcement as to the number of people who should be employed this winter. He said he was not considering at this time any request for additional funds.

Refuse To Limit Expenditures On Farm Measure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The senate refused again today to fix a definite limit on expenditures under the ever-normal granary bill.

It approved, 48 to 38, in a roll call vote asked by Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich), a provision which called for spending "such sums as are necessary."

Supporters of the bill contended this provision would hold costs to \$500,000,000 or whatever funds are made available. But Senator McNair (R-Ore), said the bill would cost at least \$600,000,000 and King (D-Utah), estimated its cost at more than \$1,000,000,000.

Big Spring Man To Wed Garden City Girl On Jan. 2

GARDEN CITY, Dec. 15—Announcing the approaching marriage of her niece, Miss Dimple Cox, to Phil Smith of Big Spring, Mrs. Charles J. Cox, assisted by Mrs. V. G. Young, entertained with a luncheon recently.

The guests were received by Mrs. P. M. Cox, mother of the bride-elect, who presented each one with a corsage of tallman roses.

Miniature Christmas scenes with tiny reindeer, Santa Clauses, evergreens and artificial snow formed the decorations and poinsettias lent color to the setting.

The buffet luncheon was served with Mrs. Young presiding at the coffee urn.

The announcement was made on tiny scrolls with the inscription which read, "Dimple and Phil, January 2, 1938."

COMEDY, TOO



Bette Davis and Leslie Howard, who have played together in tragedy and melodrama, show themselves as players of comedy in a new farce hit, "It's Love I'm After." The picture is at the Ritz Saturday midnight, Sunday and Monday.

AT THE QUEEN



The popular cowboy actor, Ken Maynard, is starred in the Friday-Saturday western drama at the Queen. The picture, in which Ken makes it hot for range bandits, is called "Trailing Trouble."

March Of Time Is Added Attraction At Ritz Theatre

Timely as ever, and as interesting, is the new episode of "The March of Time," which is offered as a supplementary attraction on the Ritz theatre's Friday-Saturday program.

One sequence deals with New Hampshire's city of Manchester, and how a group of business men in that town, refusing to accept defeat, saved their municipality from industrial paralysis when the great Amoskeag cotton mills went into bankruptcy. The mill, at one time the biggest in the U. S., was closed in depression times and the whole town was threatened. But citizens raised money to take over the factory, set it in operation themselves, turned out new products and revived their town. Their undertaking is told in dramatic fashion.

Second sequences of "The March of Time" illustrates that counterfeiting, like other criminal activities, is a losing game. The newsreel depicts the methods of the Secret Service in tracking down counterfeiters, dramatizing the case of the U. S. No. 1 counterfeiter of modern times.

March of Time cameras for a year have been working in the French colony of Algeria, where threats of an uprising have been heard. There, an Arab uprising of a revolt of the fascist white colonists could be a spark to set off the Mediterranean powder keg. March of Time gives authentic, dramatic views of the Algerian situation.

AGREE TO LOWER FARM BENEFITS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (AP)—Senate leaders agreed today to accept an amendment to the ever-normal granary bill which would scale down all benefit payments above \$600.

Senator Lee (D-Okla) proposed the amendment which, he said, would greatly reduce government outlays to larger corporations and affect less than three per cent of all farmers.

LYRIC

TODAY & TOMORROW

ROMANCE DEFIES GUNFIRE!



BOB STEELE

GUN LORDS OF STIRRUP BASIN

DICK TRACY NO. 13

STARTING SUNDAY

666

Liquid, Tablets, Salve, Nose Drops 30 minutes

Western Fare This Weekend

Ken Maynard And Bob Steele Play At Queen, Lyric

Fast action and thrilling melodrama are promised the western fans in outdoor adventure fare scheduled at two local theatres this weekend.

At the Queen Friday and Saturday, the popular Ken Maynard is starred, appearing with his famous horse, Tarzan, in "Trailing Trouble." The masterful Maynard makes trouble for the range bandits.

Offered at the Lyric is "Gun Lords of Stirrup Basin," in which Bob Steele, another of the western players who is much in demand, is the star.

Steele portrays the savior of a western house involved in a deadly duel with a neighboring family over water rights. His position is complicated by the fact that he has fallen in love with the daughter of the enemy house, a complication which results in plenty of highly dramatic situations.

The girl, though wed to Bob in a hasty midnight ceremony, remains loyal to her people and rides to warn them of the retribution planned for them. Bob follows, and in a thrilling scene uncovers evidence which proves conclusively that a band of thugs are responsible for the killings which were blamed onto his family and fanned the fires of the feud.

Louise Stanley takes the part of the girl whose love and loyalty lead her into perilous situations. Supporting players include Kar Hackett, Ernie Adams, Frank La Rue, Frank Hall, Steve Clark, Lew Meehan and Frank Ellis.

HAMMER INFANT IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Word has been received here of the death of Joy, one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hamman made in an Ennis cemetery mer in Ennis on Friday, Burial Saturday. The child was a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sellers of this city. Mrs. Hammer is the former Freddie Sellers.

Kenneth Butler has been ill at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Butler and has been unable to attend school.

County Schools Get State Aid

Second payment on the 1937-38 scholastic apportionment was received here Wednesday by County Superintendent Anne Martin. The payment covered rural schools of the county.

The payment represented \$3 of the apportionment and totaled \$3,691 for the county. The first payment, made about a month ago was for \$4, less one half the county administration allowance.

QUEEN

TODAY & TOMORROW

A SCOURGE TO BANDITS WAS THIS RIDIN', FIGHTIN' FURY



KEN MAYNARD

TRAILING TROUBLE

WILD WEST DAYS NO. 6

SAT. MIDNITE-MATINEE

TODAY'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

WHEELER WOOLSEY

HIGH FLYERS

RITZ

TODAY TOMORROW

Fame and Fortune

...for those who win... heart-break for those who lose!



Thoroughbreds Don't Cry



JUDY GARLAND

MICKEY ROONEY SOPHIE TUCKER C. AUBREY SMITH

AN M-G-M PICTURE

PLUS: March Of Time No. 3

Paramount News "The Big Squirt"

SATURDAY MIDNITE MATINEE

IT'S HOWLARIOUS



BETTE DAVIS LESLIE HOWARD

IT'S LOVE I'M AFTER

Olivia de Havilland with A Warner-First Nat'l Picture