

STORMS SWEEP OVER EASTERN UNITED STATES

Four Persons Killed in Scattered Section of Tennessee and Kentucky.

Violent storms swept the eastern part of the United States today after killing four persons in Tennessee and one in Kentucky.

Property damage mounted hourly in reports from Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut and New Jersey, where the wind velocity ranged from 66 to 70 miles an hour.

In the metropolitan area in New York pedestrians fought their way to subway and elevated stations against high winds.

The waters of New York harbor were churned by the gale, sending two boats adrift to the bottom.

Storm warnings were issued on the Atlantic seaboard from Delaware to Eastport, Me.

At Newark, N. J., five persons were injured by automobiles when the wind prevented them from dodging out of the path of traffic.

Numerous small buildings and newsstands were wrecked from their moorings in the New York district.

TORNADO INJURES MANY IN TENNESSEE TOWN

By United Press.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 25.—Attempts were made today to establish radio communications with Holmes creek district of De Kalb county where four children were reported killed and more than a score injured by a tornado late yesterday.

The wire communication with the stricken area from here was cut off. Telephone lines were down and roads were blocked by fallen trees, according to word brought here by bus drivers late last night.

Reports from Alexandria, De Kalb county, the only point possible to reach by wire early today reported the death of four children.

A schoolhouse at Liberty, a small country station, was badly damaged and the principal of the school was seriously injured. No deaths occurred, the Alexandria reports said.

At Prosperity another rural community, the church was reported completely demolished and the schoolhouse badly damaged but only slight injuries were sustained.

Marines Making Vigorous Drive On Rebel Leader

By United Press.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 25.—The United States marine forces with 1,000 men was in the field today in a vigorous drive to capture General Augustino Sandino, rebel leader and bring an end to the uprising. In several more skirmishes within the past few days between 10 and 12 rebels have been killed and injured by the marine forces, Col. Mason Gulick announces in telling of the marine activities.

Sinclair Offers Committee His Private Books

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Harry F. Sinclair informed today the Teapot Dome investigating committee today that he would readily furnish the committee the books of his corporation showing his private finances.

The information was communicated to the committee by Sinclair's attorney, Martin W. Littleton, at the start of the second day's hearing.

Sinclair did not appear, but Littleton said he would when wanted.

SAN ANTONIO MAN DEFIES BANDIT, BOTH ARE KILLED

By United Press.

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 25.—Defying the demand of a bandit to "stick 'em up," Henry Niemeyer last night replied to the demand with pistol fire. Both Niemeyer and the bandit were killed in the ensuing gun battle. The bandit was identified by police as Victor Turner, a local man.

Hickman Defense Springs Sharp Surprise, Delays Start of Trial

By United Press.

COURTROOM, LOS ANGELES, Jan. 25.—The trial of William Edward Hickman for the murder of Marion Parker was halted suddenly at the very outset today by an unexpected defense move.

Jerome Walsh, chief defense attorney, offered an objection to Judge Carlos Hardy presiding at the trial.

Court was recessed until 2 p. m. to permit state and defense attorneys to confer on the question of a trial judge.

Walsh's objection was in the form of an affidavit contending that Judge Hardy was prejudiced and could not give Hickman a fair trial.

It also stated the fact that he served as arraigned judge would disqualify him as trial judge.

The white-haired jurist ruled to the contrary but reserved final decision until late today as to whether he will vacate the bench.

BEGIN RATLIFF ARGUMENT

Sweaters To Let

Eastland High school has athletic sweaters for its players but it can't dispose of them.

A recent ruling was passed that required players to be passing in all work at the end of the term to be eligible to wear the coveted "E".

Some of the players failed to pass the required work and were refused their sweaters. The other players, who passed their work, refused to take theirs if the others were not presented with the sweaters.

As it stands the school has some 17 black and red V-neck sweaters in its hands, which half of the players can't wear and the other half won't.

MAKE FIGHT AGAINST U. S. INFLUENCE

Pan-American Conference Is Asked to Check American Dominance.

By United Press.

HAVANA, Jan. 25.—A fight to reduce the now dominant influence of the United States in Pan-American affairs was launched at the Pan-American conference today.

Salvador Urbino of Mexico demanded before the Pan-American union committee that the union be made a symbol of the absolute equality of all American republics.

Urbino was explaining the Mexican proposal that the chief officers of the union be elected annually in automatic rotation from the 21 member countries.

"Mexico wants to promote friendship among the republics," he said. "We are seeking absolute equality for all."

France To Make Investigation Of Russian Loan

By United Press.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—The newspaper Matin said today that Ambassador Paul Claudel at Washington had been instructed by the foreign office to investigate conditions under which a credit of \$40,000,000 was reported to have been given Soviet Russia by a group of American financiers headed by Fercival Farquhar.

The credit was said to have been granted in connection with reconstruction of factories and mines in the Donetz coal basin formerly owned by a French company.

Offer Resolution To Probe Foreign Relations of U. S.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—A resolution proposing that the foreign relations committee thoroughly investigate relations between this government and countries of Central and South America was introduced today by Senator La Follette, Wisconsin.

The resolution was proposed after the foreign relations committee had again delayed action on pending resolutions to offer an inquiry into the Nicaragua situation.

La Follette's resolution proposed that \$25,000 be appropriated for the inquiry and that at its conclusion the committee recommend a "constructive policy."

EASTLAND METHODIST CONFERENCE TONIGHT

The first quarterly conference of the Eastland Methodist church will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock at Eastland.

An invitation has been extended to the public to attend the meeting.

Albert B. Fall's Condition Still Held As Serious

By United Press.

EL PASO, Jan. 25.—The physical condition of Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior and central figure in the Teapot Dome oil scandal, was said by associates today to be such that a severe cold might prove fatal.

Fall was asked to comment on testimony given yesterday before the senate Teapot investigation committee linking him with large sums of money from Harry Sinclair.

He was more willing to talk about his health than the oil situation.

A Case of Fluecy—Plus!



Nearly all the members of the U. S. senate find it easy, as a rule, to express themselves. And Senator Tom Heflin, whose expansive battle front is pictured here, is no exception to the rule. Whether recent efforts of his fellow senators to quiet him will be effective remains to be seen.

"Fox" Loses Bravado As Trial Day Arrives

Youthful Attorney Ready With Insanity Plea For Confessed Slayer of Girl.

By DAN CAMPBELL, United Press Staff Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 25.—Society's 19-year-old mental paradox, William Edward Hickman, went to trial today seeking to escape the gallows for the butchery of little Marion Parker, daughter of a Los Angeles bank executive.

The handsome former Kansas City high school boy, a complex combination of emotions that include religious fanaticism, murderous inclinations and brilliant intellectual capacities, hopes to escape the noose by claims of insanity.

"Congenital mental ills" traced directly to Hickman's mother, Mrs. Eva Hickman, the defense claims, aided by the depositions of residents of middle western states who know the slayer from childhood, will form the basis of the defense.

Scenes of dramatic intensity are to be unfolded when the mother takes the witness stand in an attempt to save her son from hanging. She will face the family of Perry M. Parker, over whose home a cloud of horrifying memories hangs.

With the opening of the trial an atmosphere of feverish excitement filled the corridors of the hall of justice, where thousands, who a few weeks ago were stunned and terror-stricken by the actions of "The Fox," sought to gain a glimpse of the "shackled" captive.

Two mere youths, Richard Cantillon and Jerome Walsh, son of Frank P. Walsh, world renowned labor champion, opposed the grizzled District Attorney Asa Keyes, veteran of many famous murder cases, as counsel for the defense.

The young lawyers promise to depart from orthodox court procedure and combined with the rightful background of the case this fact gave rise to predictions that the court battle would become the most dramatic murder trial in history.

Despite the confession made by the young slayer outlining every step of his gruesome trail of crime, Hickman, it is said, will repudiate the story told to police and the case will become a murder without a motive as far as the defense is concerned.

His 16-year-old accomplice in banditry and the murder of C. Ivy Toms, Rose Hill druggist, Welby Hunt, remained an unknown quantity as far as the part he is to play in the murder trial is concerned. Whether he would testify for or against his former pal is unknown.

Hickman's bloody escapades began with the simple desire of a boy to own a motorcycle which led him to

NO TESTIMONY OFFERED BY DEFENSE AFTER STATE RESTS

Marshall Ratliff, the alleged Santa Claus of the Cisco bandit gang who robbed the First National bank of Cisco on Friday, Dec. 23, and who has been on trial before Judge George L. Davenport of the Ninety-first district court on a charge of robbery with firearms in connection with the holdup since Monday, Jan. 16, will perhaps know his fate within the next few hours. The state is asking for the death sentence.

Both the state and defense rested in the case this morning at 10:30 o'clock, the defense without putting on a witness, and Judge Davenport began work immediately thereafter on his charge to be submitted to the jury. This was expected to be ready by 2 o'clock. Following the reading of the charge to the 12 men who are to pass on the case, attorneys will begin their arguments to the jury. These are expected to require some seven or eight hours.

When court adjourned late Tuesday evening District Attorney J. Frank Sparks, announced that the state would rest soon after opening of court Wednesday morning. This morning they put on three witnesses and then rested.

When Sterling C. Holloway, young first assistant district attorney, announced that the state rested its case, Judge J. Lee Conroy of Cisco, counsel for the defense, renewed the defense's motion, made at the opening of the trial, that he state furnish the defense with the names of the grand jury witnesses upon whose testimony the indictment against Ratliff was based. Judge W. W. Hair, special prosecutor in the case appointed by Governor Dan Moody, stated that the state was not required to furnish such a list of witnesses and did not have their names. Judge Davenport sustained the state in the contention, and Judge J. K. Baker, of Coleman, member of the defense counsel, announced that the defense rested.

The state placed three witnesses on the stand this morning. These were Cy Bradford, deputy sheriff of Eastland county; W. M. Miller of Cisco, former sheriff of Johnson county; and Milton P. Connally, Cisco High school boy. Miller and Connally testified to finding a handbag in the pasture not far from where the alleged bandits abandoned the car in which they escaped from the scene of the robbery. Both witnesses identified the bag and its contents, which had previously been identified by Marion Herron as one she saw at her mother's home near Wichita Falls on Thursday afternoon before the robbery.

Bradford testified that he was at South Bend on Tuesday morning, Dec. 27, when Marshall Ratliff was captured. Witness said that he saw Ratliff fall, but did not go to him. He saw others go to him, however.

Court Room Crowded. Ratliff is also under indictment in Eastland county on another charge of robbery with firearms in connection with the hold-up of the bank and two charges of murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Police Chief G. E. (Bit) Bedford of Cisco, and Policeman Geo. Carmichael of Cisco at the time of the bank holdup. Ratliff's alleged partners in the crime, Robert Hill and Henry Helms, also face the same indictments as does Ratliff. Louis Davis, alleged fourth member of the bandit gang, died shortly after the robbery from wounds sustained at the time of the hold up.

The usual large crowd of spectators were on hand this morning when court convened and immediately after the doors were opened the small courtroom was filled to capacity. When court adjourned at 10:30 until 2 o'clock this afternoon, many of the spectators did not leave their seats, but remained until court again convened. When Judge Davenport reopened court every available seat in the courtroom had long before been filled.

Efforts of the state in the Ratliff trial (Continued on Page Two)

Spectators At Ratliff Trial Eat Sandwiches

The many spectators at the trial of Marshall Ratliff, charged with robbing the First National bank of Cisco, December 23, did not take a chance on missing the arguments this afternoon.

Those who had good seats when both sides closed this morning remained in them until court was resumed at 2 o'clock. They either sent small children out to get sandwiches or bought them from vendors who came to the courtroom.

Realizing that seats would be at a premium when court opened, those who had places refused to budge.

Two water coolers furnished water for the crowd.

Weaver Is Being Urged To Run For Representative

Joseph M. Weaver well known oil operator, is being urged by his friends to run for representative in the state legislature from Eastland county and is said by some of them to have promised to consider the matter.

Mr. Weaver, who resides in Eastland, has been in the county since 1917 and has been closely identified with its development since that time. He is well qualified in every respect to fill the position for which he is being urged to run.

Only a short time ago Mr. Weaver entered the poultry business and has established one of the biggest and best equipped poultry ranches in this section just east of the eastern city limits of Eastland. He has expended already on this project more than \$25,000, it is stated.

The position to which Mr. Weaver is being urged to run is filled at this time by M. H. Hagaman of Ranger, who is serving his second term.

Houston Family Of Three Dead, Making Probe

By United Press. HOUSTON, Jan. 25.—What first appeared to be a double murder and suicide took a new turn today when officers found two bullet wounds in the body of B. T. Quarles, 46 year old civil engineer.

Quarles, his wife, Mrs. Sally Belle Quarles, 37, and her son by a former marriage, George O'Donnell, 16, are the victims.

Justice Campbell Overstreet who first declared that Quarles had shot his wife and stepson and then ended his own life continued his investigation today with the finding of the second wound in Quarles' head.

Officers said that either bullet would have caused death and that it was unlikely that a man could have shot himself twice in that manner.

Livestock Men In El Paso For Three Day Meet

By United Press. EL PASO, Jan. 25.—The largest meeting of livestock raisers held since the world war opened here today as several hundred cattle and sheep raisers assembled for the annual convention of the American National Livestock association.

The convention will remain in session three days and before the sessions end expects to adopt resolutions urging a higher tariff on livestock shipped into this country from South America, protesting a readjustment of freight rates as proposed under the HochSmith resolution.

Optimism prevailed among the visiting cattlemen. Cattle prices have been higher, on an average, during the year than any time in the past ten years.

EASTLAND JAIL DELIVERY PLOT IS UNCOVERED

Jailer Given Tip by Prisoner, Alleged Cisco Bank Bandits Not Held to Blame.

Acting on a tip given by one of the prisoners of the Eastland county jail, Dug Barton, jailer, and other members of the sheriff's department today uncovered what is thought to be an attempt to have a wholesale jail delivery.

Having been warned that such a delivery might occur the jailer and deputies made a thorough search of the cells this morning and found evidence to that effect. A piece of iron, broken from one of the steel cots in the cells, was found concealed in one of the cells and other evidence that some of the prisoners were likewise armed was uncovered.

It is not thought that either Henry Helms or Robert Hill, alleged robbers of the First National bank of Cisco, and confined in the jail at this time, had any connection with the evidence uncovered. Marshall Ratliff, now on trial for the bank robbery, was not in the jail at the time the search was made.

The jail is nearly full of those waiting for trial on felony charges and witnesses being held in connection with the bank robbery.

Rotary Speaker Tells Of County Bright Future

Judge Cyrus B. Frost, prominent Eastland lawyer, was the principal speaker at the regular weekly luncheon of the Rotary club, held at the Gholson hotel, Wednesday afternoon.

Judge Frost took as his subject "One of the smallest words in the English language." He told of the future outlook of Eastland county as a whole and Cisco, Eastland and Ranger individually.

Judge Frost brought out that the department of agriculture recently cited Eastland, Stephens and Palo Pinto counties as the greatest poultry counties in the United States. He predicts a bright future for poultry raisers in this section of the state.

Rotarians said after the luncheon that Judge Frost's address was one of the best that has been delivered before the club in quite a long time.

Visiting Rotarians at the luncheon today were Grover Campbell, Denton; Tom Foley and J. E. Peters, Cisco. Other visitors were Billy Burke, Buddy Armer, L. R. Pearson and Frank Edwards, all of Ranger.

The program committee for the day was composed of W. D. Conway and Dr. J. H. Barnett, who turned over their introduction to M. K. Collier, who in turn introduced Judge Frost.

England Swept Again By Storm Damage Heavy

By United Press. LONDON, Jan. 25.—Cyclonic winds and flood waters brought new damage to Great Britain today as the nation was still recovering from the disastrous storms earlier in the month.

Two persons were known to have been killed, much valuable farm land damaged and homes endangered by the new storms. The wind was reported to have reached a velocity of 76 miles an hour.

SIDELIGHTS ON RATLIFF TRIAL

Heavy black guns that gleamed in the sun that came through a high window were offered as evidence by the state Tuesday afternoon. The heavy artillery consisted of two 38-40 Frontier Model Colt Automatics, two 380 Colt Automatics and one 45 commercial brand Colt Automatic. They are the guns alleged to have been taken off of Marshall Ratliff when he was shot down near Graham. Three cartridge belts, filled with cartridges were offered along with the guns. Long, hand carved scabbards hang from the belts and long strips of leather are dangling from the bottoms of the scabbards. One of the guns was still loaded. The guns were handled with safety by the witnesses. The belts would have been the pride of any old time cowboy. Two of them were narrow strips, just big enough to hold the cartridges. The other, which carried two of the scabbards was a wide slab of leather, light in color, and half filled with ammunition.

The Santa Claus suit and mask, which was offered in evidence by the state, has been removed to the office of Miss Ilva Moore, court reporter. People who pass her office stop to get a good look at it. It is a grim reminder of tragedy. The sleeves of the suit are of different material from the other portions. A hole is in the chin of the mask, which the state alleges is where a bullet entered and wounded Marshall Ratliff in the chin.

Mr. Virgil Seaberry, wife of a prominent Eastland lawyer, each day brings her pencil and sketches the different personages that are participating in the trial. Tuesday she made a sketch of Miss Marion Herron, pretty red haired girl of Wichita Falls, and whose mother is being held in the Eastland county jail as a witness in the case. The fifteen year old girl told a straightforward story of all she knew. She identified Marshall Ratliff as the man whom her was trying the Santa Claus suit on. She knew all of the other alleged bank robbers that are now in jail. When defense attorneys asked her if she thought she would help her mother by testifying she said that she did. The girl looked older than she is.

The shoes that were worn by Marshall Ratliff when he entered the Eastland county jail were also offered in evidence at the session Tuesday afternoon. The blue serge trousers he wore were withdrawn by the state.

When Judge George L. Davenport gives a short recess at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, it is a signal for those who have seats in the rear of the courtroom to move up and get a view of the trial. One man stepped up on the judges stand yesterday with two small children in his arms. The crowd of high school boys and girls that come rushing in as soon as school is out stand along the east wall with their eyes riveted on Ratliff.

Sheriff John Hart, during court recess, passed Ratliff and asked how he was getting along. Ratliff didn't answer him.

Mrs. Rilla Carter, mother of Ratliff (Continued on Page Two)

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Begin Ratliff Argument

trial have been largely to connect him with the robbery of the Cisco bank by proving that he was the bandit disguised as Santa Claus. Only one witness, however, positively identified the Santa Claus as Ratliff.

On cross-examination witness testified that her mother was in the Eastland county jail; that some charge was filed against her, and that she was interested in testifying in the hopes of helping her mother.

On re-direct examination witness said she had only told the truth. She stated that she did not know of any charges against her mother except that she was being held on a witness attachment.

Identify Bank's Gun. The state put a number of witnesses on the stand Tuesday afternoon in an effort to connect the defendant with the long trial, which it contended was one taken from the bank at the time of the robbery and taken off of Ratliff when he was captured at South Bend.

Among the witnesses for the state in regard to the gun was Captain Tom Hickman, noted Texas ranger, who was with the officers when Ratliff was captured at South Bend on Tuesday following the bank holdup on Friday.

Witnesses testified that when Ratliff was taken at South Bend three pistol cartridge belts and six pistols were taken off of him. The guns and belts, which witnesses identified as those taken off of Ratliff at that time, were placed in evidence.

Chester Duffield, son of Mrs. Sam Fox, at whose home the bandits are alleged to have secured food while they were attempting to escape their pursuers after the robbery, identified Marshall Ratliff as being one of the men whom he saw at his mother's home on the oil lease in Shackelford county on the second night following the robbery.

whom they had been informed were coming toward South Bend; that he and a number of other men were stationed near South Bend when they saw a Ford roadster with three men in it and with a flat tire on one of the front wheels, coming into South Bend. It pulled into a garage. But just at this time, witness stated, members of the posse started towards the garage and the men in the roadster pulled out of the garage and started out of town.

Other witnesses testified in regard to the affair at South Bend and their testimony was substantially as that given by the witness McCharen. Miss Marion Herron, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Herron at whose home Hill, Ratliff and Helms had been staying for several days before the robbery, testified to having seen her mother working on a Santa Claus suit, and to having seen her fit it on Marshall Ratliff and cut the sleeves off when it was seen that they were about six inches too long for him.

Marion Herron identified the Santa Claus suit that had been offered in evidence as the one she had seen her mother working on and as the one she had seen her mother try on Marshall Ratliff at their home on the afternoon before the robbery the next afternoon.

The witness also testified that she and her mother went to a store near their home, which was two or three miles out of Wichita Falls, and that her mother purchased some canned meats, bread, etc., on the afternoon prior to the robbery at Cisco the next afternoon.

Witness also testified to having seen a strange sedan car, which was brought to their home late Thursday evening previous to the robbery on Friday evening. She did not know what kind of a car it was nor who brought it to her home.

On cross-examination witness testified that her mother was in the Eastland county jail; that some charge was filed against her, and that she was interested in testifying in the hopes of helping her mother.

Vance Littleton, bank clerk at the First National bank of Cisco, gave a fairly good account of the robbery of the bank. He stated that he was at work posting his books in the bookkeeping room when a woman, who was pushing a little girl in front of her, came rushing through the room and said, "They are robbing the bank."

Witness said he stepped to where he could see the front part of the building. The only man I could see at that time was one dressed as Santa Claus. He had his gun drawn "hip high." Another man came into the door of the bookkeeping room just after this witness said, "They are robbing the bank."

Witness said he told the woman not to run, but she continued her flight toward the back door of the bank. The bandit told me not to look at him and then motioned to the floor. I took it that he meant for me to get down there and I got under a table. I saw someone at the back door of the bank whom I took to be Chief Bedford. I know Bedford and I got the impression that it was he I saw at the door.

Witness said he saw a man living there on his back in a pool of blood, but did not know who he was. He also stated that the Santa Claus bandit had pistols in his hand in the bank. The witness Littleton said that the first shots he heard fired near the back door were fired by Helms.

Saw Bedford Fall. J. L. Kennedy, an oil man of Cisco, testified to having stood between meals Kellogg's CORN FLAKES



L. R. SCARBOROUGH Dr. Lee K. Scarborough, D. D. president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and one of the foremost speakers and educators in the South, will be the principal speaker on the program celebrating the tenth anniversary of Rev. W. H. Johnson's connection with the First Baptist church of Ranger which will be held at the auditorium of the church, Thursday night, January 26, at 7:45 o'clock.

An invitational dinner, given in honor of Rev. Johnson, will be held in the basement of the church at 6:30 o'clock. The program that will follow the banquet is open to the public.

Dr. Scarborough is one of the leading theological educators in the United States. For years he has been at the head of one of the largest seminaries of the Baptist church and has always been in the foreground of church activities. He is an orator of note, a man of affairs, and a churchman of the first rank.

Dr. Scarborough will touch upon the high points of the decade that Rev. Johnson has spent in building up the First Baptist church of Ranger. Walter Murray, director of the program has arranged for a variety of entertainment. Claude Lawson of Breckenridge will be the leader of the music.

Witness said Chief Bedford was firing a shotgun and that he saw him re-load it. Bedford was standing out in the alley to the front of the bank, witness said. He also stated that he watched Bedford re-load his shotgun and saw him stagger and almost fall, dropping the shotgun. "I saw that his hand was bloody as he pulled his pistol out of the holster after he dropped his shotgun. I left the corner and went to Gray's hardware store for a gun when I saw Bedford was shot," the witness said.

INJUNCTION AGAINST TAX SURVEY IS WITHDRAWN By United Press. AUSTIN, Jan. 24.—The supreme court today withdrew the injunction against the state survey from the commission of appeals and ordered arguments on it to be heard February 22.

PORT ARTHUR MAN KILLED WHEN CARBIDE TANK BURSTS By United Press. PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 25.—T. M. Lebetter was instantly killed today when a carbide tank in his garage exploded. He was the father of 12 children.

Multi-Colored Shoes For Spring Feminine Wear

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Varied hues, snakeskins and fabric weaves in rainbow colors will feature the color scheme in the dainty footwear that will adorn the well-dressed feminine foot this spring.

Sparkling buckles of neat size and three button laces also will be favored by the well-dressed ladies of fashion. But to be modish, the shoes will be multi-colored, and the material will be either fabric or reptile skin.

This description can be accepted as authentic. It was March 1. That is the hundred odd shoe manufacturers and wholesalers who are exhibiting the newest modes of footwear for women in a fashion revue here this week exclusively for the 2,500 shoe retailers of Oklahoma and Texas who are assembled in annual convention.

The hat and purse must harmonize with the outstanding shade of the shoes, advance styles in neckwear, purses will be in suede or light leather shades. Even the hat should add harmony to the shoe colors.

WOMAN ARDENT DOG RACER. Among those who have become enthusiastic over greyhound racing is Lady Inverclyde of Scotland. Her entry, Hovring Lark, made a creditable showing at the big St. Mungo race in Glasgow recently.

SIDELIGHTS ON RATLIFF TRIAL. Ratliff, has spoken but once or twice to outsiders. Yesterday she asked pressmen if they would turn off a glaring light that was hurting her eyes. The light was turned off.

The courtroom was almost impossible Tuesday. It was crowded to its limit and but one window was open. Babies cried and everyone looked as if they were suffering from slight headaches.

Vance Littleton, Cisco bank clerk, brought a few laughs from the program and D. Jones, of Rising Star, address; Mrs. Otto Bundick piano solo; Dr. Harry A. Logsdon address; L. L. Neal, review of the ten years work; Mrs. C. H. Dunlap, president of the W. M. S., address; Claude Lawson, Breckenridge, solo; Walter L. Jackson, address.

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Advertisement for Colleen Moore in 'My Best Girl' at Liberty Theatre. Includes text 'NOW SHOWING COLLEEN MOORE IN HER WILD OAT' and 'MARY PICKFORD IN MY BEST GIRL'.

Society and Club News

MISS JANET E. LAMB Phone 224

TONIGHT. High school girls' basket ball team will play Carbon, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at all the churches.

THURSDAY. Lions club luncheon, 12:15 at the Gholson hotel. Elks' dance, music by Leonard's Coloradians.

Tenth anniversary program for Rev. W. H. Johnson of the First Baptist church. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. for guests by invitation, in the basement of the church.

Rainbow girls meet at the Masonic temple at 6:30 p. m., promptly.

MRS. WHEATLEY HOSTESS TO AD LIBITUM CLUB. Mrs. J. L. Wheatley was hostess to the Ad Libitum club and other guests Tuesday noon when she entertained with a bridge-luncheon at Acorn Acres tea room.

The tables were beautifully decorated with marigolds, and the spring motif was suggestive everywhere, the place cards were of bright colors. The high club prize was won by Mrs. J. A. Shackelford, who received a lovely pencil and pen set.

Club members present were Meses. R. J. Norman, D. W. Johnson, Walter Cash, D. L. Barnett, William Wallace, William McDonald, Frank Parrish. Guests were Meses Helen Branham, Morria Patten, Meses. C. E. Stewart, Wesley Maben, J. F. Champion, Charles Conley, E. L. McMillen, Walter Harrell, Walter Durden, T. M. Combs, C. D. Hartnett, Charles Milliken, and C. R. Walts. The guests from Breckenridge were Meses. Frank Blackburn, Smitherson, Letus Pate, and Casper Jones.

RAINBOW GIRLS-DE MOLAYS TO HAVE INSTALLATION. The De Molay chapter and the Rainbow Assembly for Girls are to have an installation ceremony held jointly Monday night, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p. m. in the Masonic temple.

CHILD STUDY ASSOCIATION MET. Circle No. 1 of the Child Study association met at the home of Mrs. D. E. Purly Tuesday afternoon and a program of interest was enjoyed.

BASKET BALL GAME TONIGHT. The Ranger High school girls' basketball team will play the Carbon High school team tonight at the High school. This is the first game of the season to be played by the girls at home.

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There seems some slight inconsistency in the costumes here. Maybe it's because the girl in the bathing suit, Elsie Morris, posed for this picture the other day at Ogdin, Utah, where she won a beauty prize, while the two in wintry raiment stopped skating at Lake Placid, N. Y., long enough for the photographer to shoot them. On the left is Mrs. Albert Winger of New York City, on the right Miss Thibaut.

Ranger Boy Given Prominent Place With Big Theatre

Word has been received by Raymond Teal, Ranger, that his son, Elgin R. Teal, has been engaged by the Howard theatre, leading theatre of Atlanta, Ga., as stage orchestra director. Elgin, who has spent little time in Ranger, is one of the leading saxophone players of the southern states, having played in prominent places all through California and has made appearances in London. Fuzzy Woodruff, writing in one of Atlanta's leading newspapers said of young Teal: "In the first place he has a fine stage presence. He has a big speaking voice that can be heard in the farthest reaches of the immense house. His enunciation is perfect and he has the God-given gift of being able to find ready words to convey his thoughts."

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"Fox" Loses Bravado As Trial Day Arrives

(Continued From Page One)
At the appointed hour another machine drove along side of Parker's car and a youth with a mask covering the lower portion of his face demanded that the money be turned over in exchange for the child seated next to him.

When the little girl failed to speak Parker asked if she were ill and her companion said that she was asleep and told Parker that he would let her out "up the street" after the distracted father had handed him the ransom.

"The Fox" kept his promise and drove off stopping within a few hundred feet in the deep shadows of a tree. When he had driven off Parker ran to the spot and found the dismembered body of the child. The lower portion of the body and the arms were missing.

Sunday morning, portions of the body were found wrapped in newspapers and strewn about Elysian park. An autopsy was performed at the county morgue immediately after the body had been assembled.

Several hours after the finding of the parcels in the park, police searched the apartment of one "Donald Evans." The search led there through the finding of a towel marked "Bellevue Arms apartments" which had been stuffed into the torso of the child.

"Evans casually remarked that he hoped they 'captured the fiend' and the trail of "The Fox" and police had crossed for the first time without knowledge of the officers who left without suspicion that they had talked to the murderer.

By night the greatest man hunt in the history of the southwest was in progress and radio stations raised a howl which totaled between \$50,000 and \$75,000, while the entire city, terror stricken, joined all available peace officers in the search for the brutal slayer.

The following day scores of suspects were arrested including a woman, who in a drunken stupor was heard to cry out "I didn't kill her, they did it." This scene took place several doors from the spot where the body was found and police believed they had a clew.

The woman was freed later, however, when her innocence was established as were scores of other suspects, with the exception of a robbery suspect, who either hanged himself or was hanged by fellow prisoners, who mistook him for the slayer in the city jail.

That night—Monday, Dec. 19—police established the identity of the killer as were Edward Hickman and announced that they had the murderer car under surveillance in a downtown parking place where the youth had abandoned it.

Shortly after midnight the police announced definitely that Hickman was positively the slayer and over radios and newspaper wires his description traveled to all parts of the country. Hundreds of photographs taken from the rogues' gallery, where his picture had been taken after the forgery conviction, were printed and sent to the police of all cities.

Blood-stained finger prints found on the "death cap" were compared with those of Hickman on file in the rogues' gallery and another link in the chain of evidence was established. Meanwhile all available peace officers in the state of California were engaged in tracking down the slayer who had been reported seen in various parts of the state but who had thus far successfully eluded all efforts to capture him.

Two days later the trail of "The Fox" appeared in Seattle, Wash. In the busy Christmas week rush Hickman slipped into a haberdashery and cashed one of the \$20 bills, the number of which had been previously announced.

It was several hours later that the proprietor of the store discovered the ransom bill and notified police. Back dashed through Washington "The Fox" dashed into the state of Oregon where the trail was again taken up when he appeared at a gasoline filling station.

Gripings
By GUS

We have never been able to see just where the fun comes in through turning out the lights in a place where a crowd of people are gathered, but some people seem to enjoy it or it would never happen.

Last week some smart alec kid snapped the lights off up at the High school gym and when he turned them back on he found that an elderly lady had fallen down the stairs and had been badly injured. He may call that a pretty good joke.

As a precaution against a repetition, Coach Cherry put Turkey Hinman on guard at the switch last night to keep kids away from it. That's a purty how-de-do when you have to watch a gang of kids that way. It don't reflect any too well on the thoughtfulness of parents.

One of Chief Murphy's friends sure got us into a jam yesterday. We apparently made a misstatement of fact when we said that a collection was taken up for the purchase price of the big siren. Chief said it wasn't no such thing.

And, on top of that, they don't blow the siren when they are called out to a grass fire anyway. It's only to be used in case of a real fire like a hotel or something or when an evangelist comes to town.

So we apologize to the Chief for having made an erroneous statement and left the wrong impression regarding the ways and means by which the siren was acquired and the customs and usages in connection with its use.

All joking to one side, and without in any way implying any particular incident, the driver of a car should at once stop in the clear or pull up to the curb the very instant he hears a fire truck going any direction. Don't look back to see if they are coming behind you because you might coast along and meet them on a cross street. The thing to do is pull up to the curb.

DAN HORN NEWS

Special Correspondence.
Rev. Roy Shahan filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The east side senior B. Y. P. U. of Cisco, rendered a very interesting program here Sunday night, which was enjoyed by a large crowd. And they assisted the young people of the Mitchell church in organizing a senior B. Y. P. U. The officers elected are as follows: Will Joe Starr, president; Miss Veda Livingstone, vice president; Miss Maurine Bailey, secretary; Mrs. J. J. Livingston, daily Bible reader; Miss Sybil Parks, pianist; and W. T. Horn, choir leader. The two group captains are Miss Ethel Starr and Miss Charlie Ben Parks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hall of Hermleigh, are here visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. White Harris and children of Eastland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Harris, Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Avery and children and Mrs. White, visited Mrs. A. G. Speegle Sunday.

Brother Jim McDermitt will preach at the Mitchell church Sunday, Jan. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Livingston and family of Breckenridge visited relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlow of Seranton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Brunette Sunday.

Misses Vicky Stone and Verda Gilbert spent Monday night at the home of T. T. Horn and family. The Dan Horn boys basket ball team defeated Seranton at Cisco Friday night, the score was, Seranton 12, Dan Horn 23.

The city of London is seeking a slogan. We suggest "Now you see it; now you don't."

Driving a big green coach, which he had stolen the night following the murder in Hollywood, his course became easily defined and it was only a matter of hours until he was captured at Pendleton, Ore., on the old Oregon trail as he attempted to head into the wilds of Idaho.

Chief of Police Thomas Gurdane and Buck Lieuallen of Pendleton made the capture and within 48 hours officers from the state of California made the necessary extradition proceedings and Hickman started back to the scene of his crime.

So intense was the feeling here against him that officers feared lynching or mob violence and he was spirited into the city through a little used freight station and rushed to the county jail under heavy guard.

He was brought up for arraignment the same afternoon, but the date of pleading postponed until the arrival here of Attorney Walsh from Kansas City, who had been retained by Hickman's mother to defend her son.

Hickman entered a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity Jan. 3, taking advantage of the new provision of the California penal code which places the responsibility of deciding whether Hickman was normal or insane at the time of the murder in the hands of a jury.

By his plea, Hickman definitely established himself as the killer and if found sane he will be sentenced to die. If the jury finds that he was insane he will be committed to an institution and at the end of a year may be examined to determine whether he has recovered his sanity and if so freed.

Several Streets To Be Narrowed For Paving Purpose

After a consultation between W. E. Burke, who was recently awarded the Ranger paving contract, and the city commission, held last night at the city hall, it was decided to cut down the width of several streets in Ranger, thereby saving the property owners and the city about 15 percent of the original cost of paving.

Dr. A. L. Duffer, prominent property owner of Ranger, appeared before the commission and asked that the street that runs in front of his property on Walnut street be narrowed. It was moved and passed that Walnut street, from west of the Baptist church to Sue street be narrowed to 25 feet from curb to curb.

Homer Street was also reduced in width slightly and at present is 30 feet from curb to curb. Cherry street was designated at 30 feet when the paving statistics were drawn up.

The different members of the city commission have visited Eastland during the last week and looked at the 25 foot streets that have been paved in the residential sections of that city and find that they are very satisfactory.

It was not brought out which street would be the first to receive the paving but in all probability it will be one of the streets in the Hodges Oak park addition. Walnut or Cherry streets will probably be the first to be paved. South Marston street, that runs in front of the high school, will probably be among the first to receive the paving also.

It was brought out at the meeting that the amount assessed against the Independent school district would amount to \$3,684. This will probably be reduced to \$9,000 or less, according to Mr. Burke.

D. W. Pyle, one of the owners of the Pyle Brothers Iron Preserving company offered the city commission a contract at the meeting, which embodies repainting the standpipe. The contract called for cleaning the tanks thoroughly with chipping hammers, steel scrapers and electric steel wire brushes, and giving the interior three coats of Dixons Silica Graphite mixed with super-boiled linseed oil and three coats on the exterior; one of white lead, one of oil and one of white enamel. The job would carry a six year guarantee. The name "Ranger" in six foot letters would be painted on the exterior. The work was offered the commissioners for \$1,000 but action was deferred until the next meeting.

The commissioners estimated that the cost of the reservoir was in the neighborhood of \$24,000 and in all probability would have closed with the company representative if a trade had been reached whereby the old tank would be taken in as part payment.

Speaking of the Pan-American conference, we thought the British people could take care of all that.

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Frog - Mustang Second Battle Saturday Feb 4

Special Correspondence.
FORT WORTH, Jan. 25.—Out of the conference cellar because of their victory last week over the Texas Aggies, the T. C. U. Horned Frogs next week will get their big chance to do something or drop out of sight in the circuit race when they meet the pace-setting S. M. U. Mustangs.

The Pones jumped into first place in the conference by their victory over the Aggies Monday night at Dallas. The Arkansas Razorbacks and the Baylor Bears are tied with them technically on account of not being defeated, but the Pones are conceded the lead because they have annexed one more game than the others.

With seven games yet to be played the Frogs still stand a good chance to finish high in the conference race, especially in the event that S. M. U. and Arkansas take a tumble or two in their remaining games.

Coach Matty Bell's boys are confident that they can give the Dallas five a real battle for laurels as their first meeting two weeks ago in Dallas decided in the Mustangs' favor only by the slim margin of one point.

There is no doubt, however, but that the Mustangs are improving steadily. With the exception of their tussle with the Frogs their victories have been more or less decided. Nevertheless, fans will look forward to a real contest when the old rivals meet here on Saturday night, Feb. 4.

Patty is made of powdered chalk and boiled linseed oil, according to an unproved question in this week's issue of Liberty.

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Profits of Football.
The University of Pennsylvania recently published a financial report of the athletic association showing a profit of \$363,000 on football, and Notre Dame is said to have cleared \$500,000 over operating expenses. Other smaller institutions are reporting profits of from \$10,000 upward.

Figures such as these offer material to critics who maintain that commerce is becoming too great a factor in college athletics. In the east, Pennsylvania has been accused of considering only the gate receipts in drawing up the football schedule, and Notre Dame has been criticized for too much patronage of the railroads in traveling around for big money games.

Pennsylvania, however, is trying to pay for one of the finest athletic plants in the country, situated near the heart of a great city, and Philadelphia looks upon Franklin Field as a civic monument.

Notre Dame also is preparing to build a big stadium at home, and any one who does not know and who cares to investigate can find out with little trouble that athletics have to pay for themselves at every college.

If there is any doubt that profits from athletics do not go back into athletics, the financial reports can remove the doubt.

Army-Navy Again.
In criticism of the commercialization of the college athletics, it happens too frequently that only one side of the story is given. The same holds of other classes of criticism.

The navy, for instance, gave out the information that no Western conference football teams would give the Army a game to replace the canceled service game this year. The inference was permitted, if not actually suggested, that the Big Ten colleges would not associate with an institution with loose eligibility rules.

It is true that the big Western Conference teams regretted indirect invitations to play the Army this year, but not entirely, if at all, on the grounds of questionable eligibility.

Several of the Western conference colleges have made known that they could not play the Army this year because their schedules already had been completed and others quoted the policy of the conference against booking games with eastern teams that would not agree to home-and-home games.

The Navy apparently forgot to mention these minor little things. And the public heard only one side.

Has Thankless Job.
Credit is due to any man who assumes the thankless and payless job of regulating boxing, but it seems that Tom Donohue, president of the National Boxing association, is assuming too much authority.

The National Boxing association is a sort of mythical organization and it is not recalled that this organization ever publicly made a czar out

of Donohue to rule and regulate as an individual in a one-way court.

Donohue recently announced that Mickey Walker, Sammy Mandell and Joe Dundee would have to sign articles within 30 days to defend their titles or be banished into the exile that the N. B. A. seems to control.

Well, that's Okay. The champions who will not defend their titles ought to be spanked, even if the spanker hasn't any official right to do the spanking.

Like Dempsey's Case.
But little Mandell gave the esteemed president of the N. B. A. a pertinent question.

"How can I sign articles until some promoter offers them to me? I'll fight any of his challengers if the match is offered to me in the usual way."

Mr. Donohue might profit a little by recalling the experience of William Muldoon, that great czar of New York, who demanded that Jack Dempsey sign an agreement to fight Harry Wills.

Dempsey signed the agreement and the commission found itself in the middle as a matchmaker and promoter and the game was on the verge of a knockout before Muldoon had to back down.

They never fought, it may be remembered.

ALAMEDA NEWS
Several of this community attended a singing Sunday night, which is held every fourth Sunday. Everyone is invited to attend.

Miss Pearl McGaha, who is attending the junior college at Ranger, spent the week end with her parents in this community.

Mrs. Mamie Clements visited relatives in Gorman Sunday.

W. J. Jones made a business trip to Ranger Saturday.

The rain, which fell a few days ago in this community, has put the ground in excellent condition for the farmers, they have begun to sow their oats.

DRILLING REPORT
Humble Oil and Refining Co., J. H. Allen "A" well No. A-4; intention to drill; Brown county.

M. L. Richards, A. L. Curry No. 2, intention to drill, Brown county, depth 1500 feet.

Pandem Oil corporation, A. L. Curry lease "B" well No. 3, intention to drill, Brown county.

Mrs. Texanna Hutton No. 2, intention to drill, Brown county, 1300 ft.

Amerada Petroleum Corp., Jess Shaw No. 1 well record, Jack county, Dry.

Moutray Oil company, Claude Flores No. 5, well record; Callahan county, producer.

O. H. Shoup, Jr., M. E. Chambers No. 1, intention to plug; Coleman county.

SAN ANTONIO STILL DOING TRADING, MAY STRENGTHEN

(This is the seventh of a series of articles prepared by the United Press on the prospects of the clubs in the Texas League for the 1928 season. The clubs are dealt with in the order in which they finished the 1927 race.)

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Harry Ables, veteran big league pitcher and president of the San Antonio Bears, is making an effort to build a winning team. The club finished next to the bottom last year.

The team has done a bit of trading and buying this winter. The Bears obtained Jack Robertson of Beaumont who won 10 and lost 14 games with the tail end club. The youngster is accredited with a lot of stuff, but little control. The remaining members of the staff are Dewey Henkle, Jack Traylor, Leslie Cox, Andy Messenger, Bill Ward, Dana Fillingim. Messenger was obtained in midseason last year from Kansas City. He appeared in 22 games to win only 6 and lose 15. Bill Ward, a southpaw, in 11 games did not do that well. He won 1 and lost 4 games.

Pat Newman, now departed, was the real pitcher last season, turning in 18 wins and was charged with 14 defeats in 44 games. Fillingim, the former Boston Brave pitcher, won 12 and lost 10 games.

Ables stepped out to buy Frank Meyers, a first class catcher to handle his staff. He has Pete Arzatti, a regular last season, as second string man.

In the infield San Antonio has Ray Grimes, Frank Philbin, Flaskamper, Jimmy Bottle, Al Maderas and Lincoln Nason. Baggess, utility man with Waco last year, was secured in a trade. Flaskamper, who was tried out by the Chicago White Sox and returned, will be the regular shortstop. He fielded .949 and hit .274.

He has an average of .370 and a batting rating of .324. Maderas, last year with Shreveport, will probably play third. He hit only .261 last season. Ray Grimes, one time with Little Rock in the Southern association, will handle the initial sack.

In the outfield San Antonio will assemble in spring training big Griffin, Lyman Nason and Leo Najo. Griffin, a mean hitter, was secured from Wichita Falls, who got him in midseason from the Western league. He had an average of .326 at the bat with Wichita. Lyman Nason was secured from Shreveport in a trade. Nason hit the low average of .255. Najo, with his fleet feet, occupied a higher rating than Nason, batting a .395 which is considered

low for an outfielder.

But the Bears aren't through with their new players campaign. Ables has asserted. He is said to be considering several deals to strengthen his team.

The team still needs strength and some hitters. The fielding possibilities are good. It will take considerable bookkeeping to raise the club to a plane where it will be readily considered a contender for first division. If Ables' trades are consummated San Antonio may be a strong club, and if they are not—San Antonio will remain down in the less respectable class, known as second division.

BULLDOGS TAKE OPENING CISCO GAME 11 TO 9

Glenn and Hammett Do Scoring for Ranger Boys, Making 7 and 4 Points Each.

The red and white of the Ranger Bulldogs was literally flung at the Cisco Lobos last night when the Bulldogs nosed out the last year county champions 11 to 9, in one of the most thrilling court battles ever seen on a Ranger court, to take the first game of a scheduled three to decide the 1928 champions of Eastland county.

It was the Hammett and Glenn combination that whipped the Lobos in the opener, and the greatest of these was Glenn. Glenn made 7 of the points and Hammett brought up the rear with the additional 4 points.

Crip Goughly's quintet put up the usual Cisco fight that always makes the Ranger-Cisco conflicts the leaders of the district. Little Goober Keyes, B. Phippen, Little and Van Horn fought desperately to overcome the two point lead gained by the Bulldogs and the winner of the game was in doubt until the last whistle was blown.

The game last night was the first of a scheduled three game series. Cisco and Ranger are the only entrants in the Class A race for the state championship title in Eastland county. Last year the Lobos took the last two games of a three game series and did not lose another game until they entered the state meet held at College Station.

The second game will be played in Cisco Tuesday night and in case the Lobos take the second encounter the two teams will meet for the county title on the Ranger court the night of February 3.

Texas Has Attained Prominent Place in National Athletics

By United Press.
DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Texas has reached a new pinnacle in the sport world and by all rights has gained the cognomen of the sport capital of the southwest.

Some of the leading events of the sporting nation were held in this state last year, including baseball, football, boxing and golf.

The names of Walter Hagen, Walter Johnson, Joe Turnesa, Kennesaw Mountain Landis flashed across the state as they gathered for various meetings.

As Texas feted Charles Lindbergh, Prince William, James J. Davis, Admiral Julian Latimer, and the Palley, Texas watched Bill Spears of Vanderbilt, Joel Hunt of Texas A. and M. and Gerald Mann of S. M. U. in action. It saw the crucial last hole of play in the national professional golf association annual tournament. It watched the leaders of the minor league make baseball history at the Dallas meeting. It saw its tennis star like John Barr, Lewis White, Wilmer Allison, Louis Thalheimer go forth in the east to win laurels and praise.

Strangler Lewis, heavyweight wrestling champion put his \$10,000 diamond belt and title at stake and kept them in a grueling bout with Wayne "Big" Munn, Nebraska giant. Pete Latzo, without putting his light heavyweight boxing title at stake took a severe drubbing from Clyde Hull, the Texas flash. Hull has since gone to New York where he is gaining recognition.

Never particularly watched for its football teams, Texas this year opened the eyes of the east. Missouri university rated as one of the best in the middle west came to Dallas to receive

a hearty trouncing from Southern Methodist university.

Sewanee journeyed down from Tennessee to receive a defeat at the hands of Mr. Joel Hunt and his "farmers." Another team from Tennessee, Vanderbilt university, rating high above Texas, and including in its lineup several men being watched for all American selections, lost to the Longhorns 14 to 7.

Then at last sport critics saw what the state had. Joel Hunt and Siki Sikes of A. and M., Mann of S. M. U., and Matthews of T. C. U. were all mentioned freely in the selection of the star mythical eleven.

Hunt, Sikes, Matthews and Mann were invited to the west coast to take part in the annual game between the leaders of football in the east and west. Hunt, Matthews and Mann were heralded as heroes. Hunt ran amuck, ripped the heavy eastern line to shreds, Matthews smeared play after play and was acclaimed one of the greatest ends ever seen.

But Texas is just awakening to its new glory.

For the first time in history a southwest football team is going east to show its wares this fall. Southern Methodist university will play the Army at West Point. And incidentally a Texan, Bud Sprague, former Texas university player and all-southwestern tackle, will captain the Army eleven.

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Center. Hammett
Right guard. Van Horn
Left guard. Smith
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Summary, Ranger, Glenn 7, Hammett 4, Cisco, Van Horn 3, Smith 2, Phippen 1.

DALLAS.—No license will be required to fish in White Rock Lake here this year.

Col. S. E. Moss, city water commissioner, discovered that it cost the city last year \$1,500 to collect \$400 in licenses. The commissioner declared that the cost of employees' salaries and the printing of license forms made it a waste of money to collect a 25 cents fee for fishing in the lake.

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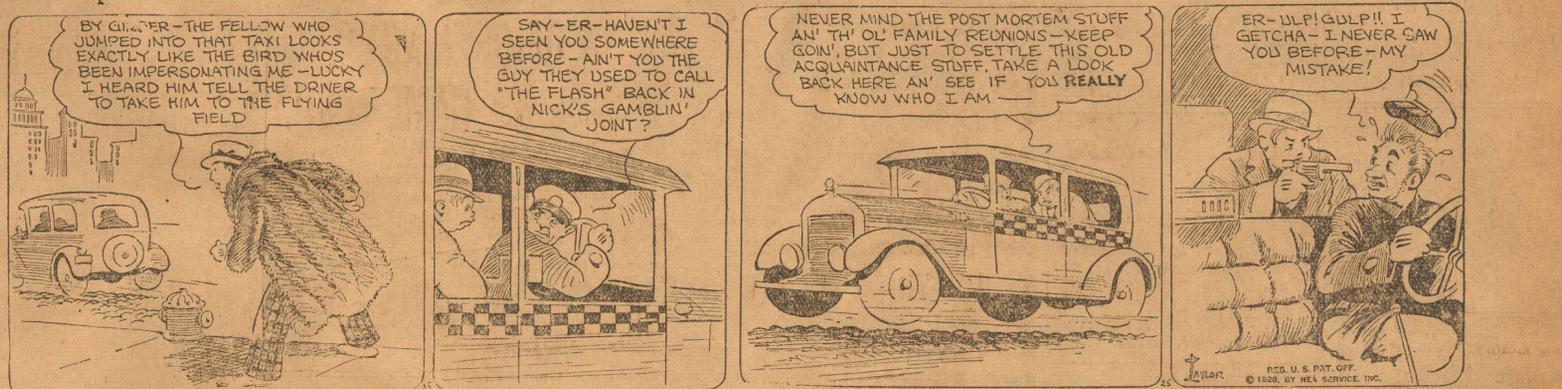
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THE STORY THUS FAR

The story is laid in the Indian territory, and along the Kansas border in the '80's, when a fight was being waged for the opening of Oklahoma to settlement. Chief characters are: Tony Harrison, orphaned at 13 when his father was shot in a poker game; Pawnee Bill, adventurer, teacher, Indian interpreter, showman; Joe Craig, who takes Tony to the Bar K ranch to live; Titus Moore, owner of the Bar K brand, Rita, his daughter. Moore is one of the chief opponents of the movement to open Oklahoma. David Payne, leader of the movement, dies suddenly and Tony in his loyalty to Moore is troubled because of his sympathy for Payne's cause. He tries to forget Rita Moore, with whom he has fallen in love, and accompanies Pawnee Bill and Buffalo Bill on a wild west show tour. After many adventures he returns; but Rita comes back for a visit and he is unable to keep from declaring his love for her. When she admits she is engaged to another, he disappears. When Pawnee Bill organizes his own wild west show, Tony goes with it, but it fails and he and Tony go to Wichita to lead the movement for the opening of Oklahoma.

rebellion were waiting for a sign, for a leader, to swarm in and resist to the death any move to expel them.

Tony Harrison knew them and understood them, from mingling with them in their camps at Caldwell and Wellington. There was riff-raff among them, true—crooks, petty thieves, and idlers who expected to find the mythical pot of gold at the rainbow's end; but in the main they were of the same pioneer stuff that had plodded westward over the Kansas plains in prairie wagons drawn by bull teams, when every few

"A few weeks; that's all. Maybe not that long. I'll be back again soon—with news. Be ready to move at a minute's notice."

Thus he went from camp to camp, saying optimistic things that he himself dared not believe—anything to keep up their morale. They believed in him, but what did more than anything else to sustain them was the influx of more homeseekers. These came by the hundreds, in schooner wagons, carts, on horseback, by train and pitched camp along the border, breathing a hopefulness that inspired



Scene of early days in Oklahoma.

CHAPTER XXXIX
He reviewed the odd chain of circumstances that had brought him to his present position. What, he asked himself, would Titus Moore and Joe Craig say if they knew he had allied himself with the forces against which Moore, his benefactor, had been contending for years?

A Boomer—word of anathema to Titus Moore. The man no doubt would think he had turned on him like an ungrateful dog.

"I couldn't blame him," Tony told himself, "if he accused me of biting the hand that fed me."

"Two days hence, he had written to Joe Craig, expressing his sorrow at Mrs. Moore's death and his complete sympathy for the colonel and Rita. About his plans or his whereabouts he had said nothing.

It hurt him more than ever, now that the tragedy of death had fallen on the Moore family, to think of the disgraceful spectacle he had made of himself before Rita's eyes in Washington. The memory of it invariably evoked in him a mood of terrible self-chastisement in which the old resentment against Rita vanished in a flood of pity for her. For himself, on these occasions he felt nothing but contempt, but underneath it remained a stinging bitterness, a heaving restlessness. He felt the need of some powerful, wrenching antidote.

"Perhaps it's here," he told himself, thinking of the thousands of homeless camping outside of Wichita and along the Kansas border; the thousands clamoring for land, lifting their eyes daily toward the invisible barrier that stretched between them and opportunity. Each week saw a few of them, poverty-stricken, disillusioned, embittered, turned dejectedly back toward the places they had left. Others remained hopeful; many, their resentment fanned into

those who had waited through the weary months and years.

The Pawnee Bill Oklahoma Colonization company had branches in many cities, and as far west as Denver and east as Chicago there were Oklahoma colonies. Landsharks and confidence men saw their opportunity and in distant cities they preyed on the credulousness of the ignorant, assuring homeseekers for a small payment, promising everything and anything.

The younger man felt his enthusiasm. "And what are we to do—wait for it to open?"

"Force the government's hand, by God! This winter we'll be busy organizing, but before spring we go in—and stay."

"Resistance?"

"I hope it won't be necessary," he frowned. "If the troops—"

"It's a serious thing to resist the government with a show of force. It's rebellion. If the soldiers fire on us—"

Pawnee Bill chewed his lip thoughtfully. "But if they know we're ready to rebel—if they realize just how serious the situation is—they might do something. Bloodshed's bad business. Give me time. I'll have a plan."

"You can count on me in anything you do," Harrison grinned. "About our finances," he began. "I'm right on rock bottom."

"Don't worry," said Pawnee Bill and patted his hip pocket. "I'm in funds once more. I've already wired to have our horses shipped on. Right now I'm hungry. That banquet didn't do me a bit of good. I was worrying all through the meal about the speech I'd have to make."

The winter that ensued was one of cruel hardship on the Boomers encamped outside of several Kansas cities. In Wichita there were correspondents from many eastern newspapers, for the country at large was keenly interested in the Oklahoma fight; and these wired back stories of privation and hunger and suffering from the cold. In December and January many of the less hardy spirits climbed in the rickety wagons that carried all their possessions and turned back in defeat. Pawnee Bill did what he could to bolster up their flagging courage; he and Tony Harrison rode from town to town—Caldwell, Hunnewell, Arkansas City—breathing messages of encouragement, calling on them to wait.

Bluff," Pawnee Bill said to Tony. "They're worried about what's going to happen to their ranches if this bunch turns loose, bent on destruction."

At the edge of the Strip they camped. All along the border there stretched an unbroken line of wagons and tents. They waited for the word to send them forward, waited grimly, defiantly. South of them they could see the blue uniforms of United States cavalry, doubtless waiting to contest their entry, and many shook their fists at the soldiery and cursed, while the more timid stared and wondered and thought of their women and children.

Thus they waited, while Pawnee Bill and Tony Harrison moved among them and tried to answer the thousands of questions hurled at them. Word came that the cattlemen intended to contest the crossing of the

Arkansas City. The older man's gaze swept along the line of wagons that stretched as far as the eye could see. "Just straining to go," he said. "Nothing can hold them back much longer."

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right now, Bill. These people know it."

"I know—Sooners. Hiding out and waiting for the opening so they won't have to make the race." He swore softly. "We've done all we could to stop it, but some people can't play in any game without cheating. . . . Those two refined looking gents you see coming toward us are in the pay of the cattlemen."

He nodded in the direction of two horsemen, rough looking men, one with heavy jaws, the other with a patch over his right eye.

"Howdy," he said easily as they approached. "Come to look us over?"

They paid no heed to his question. The man with the patch said, with a sneer, "Think you'll try to cross the Strip? You know what will happen, don't you?"

"Why, no; I don't know. I'd been doing some thinking, though. Can you tell me?"

"I'd like to know myself," remarked Tony, ranging closer to Pawnee Bill. These were gunmen, undoubtedly, he was thinking, and capable of anything—even murder in broad daylight.

(To be continued)

TOM CONNOLLY ANNOUNCES FOR SENATE PLACE

Special Correspondence.

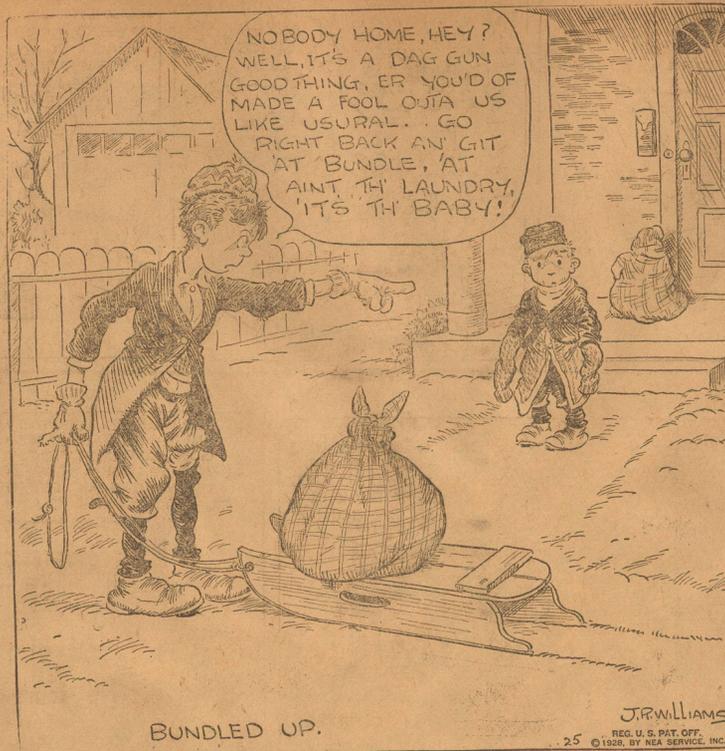
MARLIN, Jan. 25.—Congressman Tom Connolly has announced his candidacy for the senate in the following statement:

"I am a candidate for the democratic nomination for United States senator in the 1928 primaries. At a later date I shall make a formal announcement and present the platform upon which I shall make the race."

When asked regarding the Ku Klux Klan issue which has been prominent in Texas politics, Mr. Connolly said, "I have never been and never expect to be a member of the Ku Klux Klan. I am opposed to secrecy in politics or government."

Mr. Connolly further said, "Outstanding issues before the people of the United States are corruption in the election of United States senators, excessive campaign funds, the efforts of monopolistic interests to control the senate and senators, taxation, adequate and workable farm

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Charles Rousseau Is Gifted Singer, Pleases Audience

(By Vera McNew Bickerstaff)

Charles Rousseau, a most gifted singer, was presented in recital last night at the women's club under the auspices of the Eastland Music club. A very small but enthusiastic audience greeted the singer. It is a source of deep regret that so few people who love beauty will take advantage of opportunity when it is within the reach of all.

Charles Rousseau proved himself to be a real artist. He possesses a rare knowledge of audience psychology. Appearing in the native dress of a French peasant, with uncanny certainty, he felt the pulse of his listeners and selected his program from songs which he thought would be understood and appreciated by all. He sang only a few numbers not in English. He sang neither above nor below his audience, but straight to it and the response was spontaneous. His ear is true and his diction so distinct that every word was understood.

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- Deed, Harry Atwood, adm., to C. C. Hamilton, lots 8 and 9, block 7, and lot 7, block 8, Olden, \$160.
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- Deed, R. A. Jones et ux to G. J. Davis et ux, lot 4, block 12, Joe Young addition to Ranger, \$750.

ed of Wrangle Taggle Gypsies (English) Rory O'Moore (Irish) and Lepriann (Irish) the latter song being Mr. Rousseau's own. Perhaps the most enjoyable part of the entire program was a group of old favorites, When You and I Were Young, Maggie; Nellie Gray; and Golden Bells. At the conclusion of Nellie Gray, many handkerchiefs in the audience were seen being furtively carried to moist eyes.

Drama was most artistically sung, and the well-known old American song, No, Sir, sung with inimitable grace, was worthy of its applause.

Possessing poise, splendid stage presence, and intense sincerity, Mr. Rousseau is a most human singer, and were there more artists like him, the general public would not have to be begged to attend a recital.

His voice has unusual beauty, and he uses it most artistically, saving it intelligently on high notes—singing a high G pianissimo but with bell-like clarity and poignant beauty. Rousseau is one artist who knows his own voice, and never once did he sing a number not intended for the range and quality of his own vocal organ.

The male part of the audience liked Rousseau. That statement is made not to cast aspersions on the musical intelligence of the average man, but men, as a rule, are usually bored by a classical program of any length. Not so with Rousseau's choice of songs. His simple melodies, folk songs from old countries, and our own old familiar airs, sung with a complete lack of ego and affectation, won the hearts of the audience. At the close of his last program when he was compelled to reappear, he most graciously sang "Masse's in the Cold, Cold Ground."

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relief, law enforcement and transportation. These and other public questions will be discussed by me at the proper time.

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Mr. Connolly has served as representative in congress from the central Texas district, for the past 10 years.

He is a native of McLennan county, Texas. He graduated from the law department of the University of Texas. Mr. Connolly served as a member of the Texas house of representatives in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth legislatures (1901-1908). From 1906 to 1910 he was prosecuting attorney for Falls county.

For many years he was prominent and successful in the practice of law at Marlin. In 1916 he was elected to congress. He is a member of the committee on foreign affairs and has been active in the work of that committee.

In 1924 he served as a member of a special congressional committee, which visited Europe to investigate United States shipping. He has also been a delegate to the inter-parliamentary union which met in Geneva.

Mr. Connolly has taken an aggressive and prominent part in congress as a defender and advocate of democratic policies and principles. He is regarded as one of the best debaters in the house. During presidential and congressional campaigns Mr. Connolly

has spoken in many of the doubtful states under the direction of the national democratic committee. His services are in demand in each campaign.

In 1898 while a student in the University of Texas, Mr. Connolly volunteered for the war with Spain and served as sergeant-major of the Second Texas voluntary infantry. In 1918 Mr. Connolly left congress and volunteered for service in the world war, being assigned to the Eleventh division of the United States army.

PUBLIC RECORDS

- Instruments Filed.
- M. Loper et ux., to Herman Earnest, survey 3, block 4, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. sur. \$2,000.
- Release, Joe Burkett to P. L. Crossley, survey 1 block 3, H. & T. C. Ry. survey.
- Warranty deed, Joe Young to W. A. Higgins, lots 11, 12 block 3, Joe Young addition to Ranger, \$10.
- Warranty deed, W. A. Higgins to C. E. May, lot 11, 12, block 3, Joe Young addition to Ranger \$459.
- Warranty deed, W. D. Conway et ux., to W. C. Heatherington, lots 11, 12, block 3, Joe Young addition to Ranger \$3500.
- Warranty deed, C. E. May to Ed Bigbee, lots 11, 12, block 3, Joe Young addition to Ranger, \$1250.
- Oil and gas lease, Geo. W. Hunt et al., to Prairie Oil and Gas Co., lots 10, 11, 12, 13, owned by Geo. W. Hunt et al., \$497.00.
- Deed, James Shaw to F. D. Wright NW 1-4 section 67 block 3, H. & T. C. Ry., \$2100.
- Warranty deed, Heid Bros. Merc. & Supply Co., to Humble Oil and Refining Co., part of block 13 and E 25 feet of lot 14, block 35, Ranger, \$2,000.
- Royalty contract, J. T. Stewart et ux., to E. H. Jones, 1-25th interest in part of Wm. Van Norman sur.
- Deed of trust, Aaron M. Mitchell et ux., to C. C. Jones, lot 8, Davis & Garner subdivision, lot 2 block 92, Cisco, \$2750.
- Deed of trust, Ernest Newbill to Vickers-Campbell & Sohen, lot 5, block 1, Redford addition to Cisco.
- Material deed, M. B. Nix et ux to W. L. Goldston, Jr., part of survey 797, Stanley Leckerman survey, \$1,200.
- Power of Attorney, Mrs. G. H. Bohning to Garrett W. Bohning.
- Release of lien, Maddocks and Son to A. E. Avery et al., see vol. 39, page 409, D. of T. records.
- Release of vendor's lien, Parker Co. National bank to A. E. Avery, et ux., lots 11, 12 block 42, Ranger, \$300.

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