

KNOB KNOCKERS ARE VERY BUSY IN RANGER

MILLION WORSHIPERS IN ATTENDANCE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

EVANGELIST TELLS A STORY OF TORTURE

WOMAN CONFERS WITH OFFICERS OVER KIDNAPING

Mother and Daughter Embrace Each Other In Little Hospital

By United Press.
DOUGLAS, Arizona, June 24.—Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, will leave here within the next 24 hours on a special train, returning to her flock of 25,000 disciples in Los Angeles, with great pomp and ceremony, according to the plans of her mother, Mrs. Kennedy.

It is planned to have Mrs. McPherson address her multitude of followers at the temple in Los Angeles, next Sunday morning, Mrs. Kennedy said. Chief of Detective H. Cline and Deputy District Joe Ryan, of Los Angeles, announced at the same time they will question Mrs. McPherson regarding her alleged kidnaping.

Recognized by Mother.
"Good, it is she," cried Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, as she entered the little room in the Calumet and Arizona hospital here this morning and knelt beside her evangelistic daughter, Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson. With that, Mrs. Kennedy fell into the outstretched arms of her long-absent daughter who reappeared here yesterday after she was reported drowned in the surf at Ocean Park, Calif.

Mrs. Kennedy's arrival was very dramatic. The populace of Douglas stood with bared heads outside the brick hospital, as "Mother" Kennedy, the two children, and the Los Angeles county investigators arrived.

Officers Arrive.
During the five minutes of uninterrupted embracing, it was apparent that Mrs. McPherson and her mother, Mrs. Kennedy, were whispering messages to each other.

When the chief of detectives, Herman Cline, and Deputy District Attorney Ryan, representing the criminal department of the city and county of Los Angeles, arrived, the woman evangelist reddened deeply.

"I'm so happy that you have come," she smiled, turning to Captain Cline. "Won't you sit down beside me?"

Saw Children.
Then she saw her children for the first time and greeted the family. After the reunion with her family, she received Captain Cline and Prosecutor Ryan, in closed conference to relate the details of the sensational story of her kidnaping by zipsies.

Tortured by Captors.
The story of the abduction, as told by the evangelist in the hospital to McCafferty and police, was that she had been lured to an automobile while swimming at Ocean Park beach, on the plea of a woman who asked her to minister to a sick baby. Going with the woman, she said, she was thrown into the car and drugged and knew nothing further until she awoke the following day, violently ill, and attended by the woman, who was called Rose. Here the trio informed her, she said, that she was being held for ransom of \$500,000.

Saws Her Bonds.
After many days, according to the narrative, they took her to another shack, from which she escaped Tuesday by sawing the ropes with which she was bound, while the trio was away. Leaving the cabin, she said, she ran until she was on the verge of collapse, but following the reflection of lights from the copper smelters here, she managed to stagger through the night. At dawn, reaching a Mex-



WE WOMEN CERTAINLY HAVE EARNED OUR VACATION!

You bet, Mom's right, so you ought to call and see that "Mom's Pop," the family comic strip, goes with her on her vacation. It will make the days brighter for her.

There Once Was an Elephant Who Always Had Planety To Eat



Best Speller



Pauline Hill, 13, of Clarkson, Ky., defeated 25 boys and girls from all over the United States to win the 1926 spelling championship at Washington, D. C.

WHEELER ON GRILL OF COMMITTEE

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, June 24.—Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon league, today held another secret conference with the senate primary investigation committee today—presumably about his charge that brewers raised a slush fund in the \$3,000,000 Pennsylvania primary.

DAWES-M'NARY-HAUGEN BILL DEFEATED IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The Dawes-McNary-Haugen farm relief bill was defeated in the senate here today.

The measure was opposed by the administration and eastern senators. It had already been defeated in the house.

PENNSYLVANIA PRIMARY NOW THE BIG ISSUE

By PAUL R. MALLON, United Press Staff Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, June 24.—Two months ago the democrats were crying for issues for the congressional campaign.

Scanting no break in administration policies which would afford a hearty campaign they even trotted out old tariff issues with the purpose of linking it up with agricultural relief to stir up a purr. It did not have immediately the desired effect.

But their issue came where they least expected it—in a republican senatorial campaign in Pennsylvania.

After Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan had been seated by the republican party in 1922 even though he had spent \$195,000 in a primary campaign, the democrats seized upon that as one of their big issues.

Then came the Pennsylvania primary with confessed expenditures which show Newberry spent only a fraction of what was spent by George Wharton Pepper, defeated administration candidate in the republican senatorial race.

The democrats jumped to that evidence and their leaders now say it will be one of their points in the clash with republicans at the polls in November—used in much the same manner in which the Teapot Dome scandals investigation was used in 1924.

It was peculiar how they came upon this issue.

Senator Jim Reed, democrat, Missouri, who has been against democratic policies at least as often as he has been for them, heard reports of large expenditures in Pennsylvania and Illinois in the republican primary contests which were hotly contested in both states.

Prohibition was the big issue in Pennsylvania. Two of the republican candidates were said to have had the support of the Anti-Saloon league.

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It's 2.75 Per Cent!



"Take a bottle of near beer," explains Representative Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York, "and a bottle of the 3.75 per cent malt tonic authorized for general sale, mix them together, and you get—this! Delicious!" It's beer of ore than 2.75 per cent alcoholic content. Mixing the drink, according to the Anti-Saloon League, constitutes breaking the law.

Americans Take Lead In Golf Matches

By United Press.
ST. ANNE'S-ON-THE-SEA, England, June 24.—Bobby Jones and "Wild Bill" Mohlhorn, amateur and professional, respectively, today took the lead from their fellow American, W. Hagen, in the second round of the British open golf tournament.

Mohlhorn, 74, coupled with yesterday's 70, put him in the lead with an aggregate of 174; and Jones, with two rounds of 72, had the same total. Hagen was a stroke behind, having slumped with 77, as compared with yesterday's startling 68.

ALTAR PLACED ON LAKE SHORE FOR MULTITUDE

Closing Ceremonies Most Impressive; Held In History Of America

By J. L. O'SULLIVAN (United Press Staff Correspondent)
MUNDELEIN, Ill., June 24.—Before a specially constructed outdoor altar on the banks of Lake St. Marys, the age old pageantry of the Catholic church was performed today before the eyes of more than 1,000,000 reverent pilgrims. It was the concluding program of the 28th International Eucharistic Congress and it was by far the most impressive.

Scenic Spot.
When first it was decided to hold the closing event of the Eucharistic Congress in this scenic spot traffic engineers said it would be impossible to bring 1,000,000 people to a country hillside.

But the clergy insisted and so the plans were worked out over a period (Continued on page two)

RANGER LAD SAVES GIRL FROM WATER

Sammie McCullough joined the hero class and now is a candidate for a Carnegie hero medal. The young man saved the life of Verna May Crow, 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Crow of Pine street, late Wednesday afternoon after she had sunk the third time in Chestnut and Smith Lake, near Ranger.

The rescue of the girl from a watery grave was rather spectacular. Verna May and several other boys and girls were enjoying a good swim, with some of the parents looking on. Of course there is a smart Alex in the crowd, who had to do a ducking stunt or try to keep some one under water longer than necessary. It was just such a smart Alex that caused Verna to come near meeting her death.

They had a log or a piece of timber of some kind floating around in the lake and when Verna dived, the smart person shoved the piece of timber over to keep her under water longer. She lost her breath and arose and sank twice. The third time she sunk Sammie was called upon and in true hero fashion brought her to the surface where Mrs. W. S. Murray and others used first aid and established respiration.

Late yesterday evening Verna was all right again.

EASTLAND COUNTY DEVELOPMENT EDITION

(An Editorial)

This special edition portrays the growth and development of Eastland county, financially, agriculturally and industrially. It's the fourth special edition published and its largest. Each edition has portrayed the growth of the county and its towns from every angle.

This edition was made possible only by the co-operation of the live wire business firms and industrial plants in Eastland county. They have made it possible for this paper to publish to the world just what may be expected in Eastland county.

It is well that the edition this year should be the largest. Prospects were never brighter in the history of the county for substantial growth of business and for bumper crops, to say nothing of an increase and general revival of the oil industry.

The financial institutions are in the best shape they have been in for years. They have ample funds on hands to meet the needs of the trade here and surpluses that are seeking investments. The Building and Loan Associations, a sure barometer, are crying for borrowers.

The banks are bidding high for good collateral to keep the money of the stockholders and others in their care working.

The poultry and other branches of agriculture has made it possible for the farmer to make a crop this year on almost a cash basis. The grain food and feed crops that now are being harvested are the best in a decade or more. It is with pleasure that we publish to the world the advantage that Eastland county offers the outside world. There are no disappointments in Eastland county, the center of diversified farming and the Egg Basket of Texas. Send a copy of this paper to some friend.

Bans Rouge



Miss Rosalea Boone of Pine Bluff, Ark., was elected national president of Delta Beta Sigma, high school sorority, at that organization's convention in her home city. She at once announced a campaign against the excessive use of cosmetics by high school girls.

FOUR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, CONSTITUTION

By United Press.
AUSTIN, June 24.—Copies of four proposed amendments to the State constitution have been mailed out by Mrs. Emma Grigely Meharg, Secretary of State for their publication as required by law once a week for four consecutive weeks. Submission of the amendments was ordered by the thirty-ninth legislature and are to be voted on at the general election November 3.

The proposed changes are:

1—Amending Sections 33 and 40, Article 16, so as to permit officers of the National Guard, the National Guard Reserve and Officers Reserve Corps of the United States and enlisted men of the national guard, and the Organized Reserve of the United States to hold public office in Texas.

2—Amending Art. 7 by changing Sec. 3, eliminating the provisions authorizing the Legislature to create special districts and making an appropriation therefor.

3—Amending Sec. 55, Art. 16, so as to abolish the Board of Prison Commissioners and to provide for the supervision and management of the prison system under such laws as may be provided for by the legislature.

4—Amend Art. 7 by adding another section providing for the taxation of school lands owned by counties.

SAFES DAMAGED, LITTLE STOLEN BY MARAUDERS

Five Persons Are Held For Investigation By The Police Force

Three young men and two girls were being held this afternoon by the Ranger police as suspects following the burglaries last night at the Ranger Steam Laundry and the Leveille-Maher Motor Company.

Altogether the whole of the loot taken by the burglars was one revolver, but cash to the amount of over \$50 dollars was left untouched in a safe that had been forced open.

Further examination of the places showed that the burglaries were the work of inexperienced amateurs. They worked with the clumsy method of those that did not know the business of safe knockers, while clues were left strewn about where they worked.

Safes Destroyed.
The two safes of Leveille-Maher Motor Company was the first job attempted, according to the police, the burglars broke into the place by smashing a window in the workshop, and lifting the latch. In the office they must have attacked the safes with a huge sledge which was later found at the window of the steam laundry. The two safes valued at nearly \$2,000, according to the owners, are practically destroyed, papers littered the floor, while \$51 in cash was left in the drawer where it was placed last night.

The burglary was discovered at this plant by C. A. Smith, who opened up this morning, and he at once informed Chief Davenport, who hurried to the scene and made an investigation. (Continued on Page 2)

Back Lot Farmer Demonstrates Diversification

Deriving a revenue of approximately \$400 and at the same time using enough to supply the table and to can on less than an acre of ground is the record made by T. J. McClelland on four city lots in the Hodges Oak Park addition, Ranger.

This farmer supplies his own table, sells a large quantity to grocers and others and cans the surplus. On less than an acre of ground, McClelland demonstrates what can be done in land county. He demonstrates intensive methods of farming and the value of diversification.

Wednesday afternoon he was completing the task of harvesting his crop of Bermuda onions grown on seven rows. He had several bushels piled up in the garden that he will sell. He already had sold approximately \$100 worth of onions grown in that space besides what he gave away to neighbors and utilized on his table in the way of green onions.

In the spots where he had harvested his onions he already had set out tomato plants. The plants had a healthy growth and promises to make a big yield. Mr. McClelland expects to gather more than 500 pounds of tomatoes from the seven rows.

In addition to his onions, this back garden farmer has sold and gathered a large quantity of green beans, both the bush and Kentucky wonder variety, cucumbers, squashes, beets, carrots and other vegetables.

Part of his four lots he uses to raise roasting ears, and already has gathered and sold some, besides a good crop coming on. In between the stalks of corn he has planted black-eyed peas. He soon will be harvesting them and utilizing on his table.

A visit to the place will convince the most skeptic and prove what can be done.

OFFICERS TO PROBE ALLEGED MURDER OF TWO WOMEN WILLIAMSON, W. Va., June 24.

State troopers and county officials left here this afternoon for Jenny's Creek, an isolated camp near Kermit, following receipt a report that a band of white robed men had killed a woman and her small daughter there this morning.

Conflicting stories were received here. The first report asserted that Mrs. James Johnson, wife of a school teacher, and their daughter, Jean, 4 years old, were both slain when a supposed band of robbers surrounded and fired upon them in their home.

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FROM LIFE'S GUIDE: Thought for the Afflicted—"Thou shalt not cure the deaf, nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the Lord." Lev. 19:14. Prayer—Enable us, our Father God, to lighten the burdens of the afflicted.

MOODY AND EASTLAND COUNTY: In his speech in Waco Tuesday night, Attorney General Dan Moody took occasion to try and take a fall out of Eastland county for the amount of road funds it has received. It is to be inferred that should Mr. Moody be elected governor of Texas that Eastland county, one of the largest in the state, and one that pays proportionately more taxes and more auto licenses than any other county its size in the state can whistle for aid to build highways for transportation to and from agricultural, petroleum and other products to market.

Why jump on Eastland county, Mr. Moody. Eastland county has not done anything to you. But if you don't stop that demagogic slanderous talk about Eastland county, the voters will do a plenty to you.

This paper has laid off espousing the cause of any candidate for governor or any other office and proposes to hands off, but, it must be understood, that it will fight any candidate that proposes and announces publicly that he will give Eastland county the hot end of the poker in the distribution of highway funds that are needed in the banner county of West Texas.

We do not know what monies the other counties, the wise gentleman from Williamson mention, has received, but we do know that Eastland county has not received more than its just share, the amount of taxes paid by the county considered. The distribution of highway funds, according to our understanding is based on the number of auto license issued in county and other taxes.

Eastland county is a great petroleum producing area, the leading county in production of poultry, and one of the leading producers of other agricultural products. Good roads are needed, and Eastland has paid to get good roads. The taxpayers have bonded themselves to build brick highways. Highways that will last. The county received aid from the state. Eastland county has not received more than its share. In other words, Eastland county has hardly received her share. There are thousands of autos owned in the county. There are hundreds of motor trucks owned and operated in the county by the oil producing and refining interests. Owners of these trucks had to pay the state a license tax besides the property tax on them. The auto and motor vehicle taxes go to the road fund. If the gentleman from Williamson will kindly do some investigating before shooting off his lip, he will be better off.

Eastland county was one of the first counties in Texas to vote road bonds. She saw the necessity for good highways, knowing that good roads meant better schools. The citizenship of Eastland county is progressive. Eastland county took advantage of opportunity and constructed highways that were needed.

Mr. Moody keep the record straight. Tell the truth, even if it does shame the devil. Don't just make a statement and then not back it up with facts. It is the trick of a demagogue to just make a statement and then let it go at that. Tell the proletariat why Eastland county got a good amount of road money. You know the facts that Eastland is a county that pays a big share of the taxes and is entitled to help when she complies with the law, as she has done. If she had not complied with the law, you would have been on her neck the same as a turkey is on that of a grassopper. Taking everything into considera-

tion, Eastland county has not received any more than her just share of road money. Mr. Moody, why didn't you mention Tarrant county? There's a reason. You think you have the vote of Tarrant sewed up. Tarrant has received a big share of the road funds, more perhaps than most of the counties, but for selfish political reasons, you never mentioned Tarrant, only those counties were mentioned that you thought were anti-Moody.

We want to reiterate, that it is not the policy of this paper to espouse the cause of any candidate for office, but we want candidates to lay off saying things about Eastland county without telling the whole truth.

England Hangs Woman Slayer; First Since 1923

MANCHESTER, England, June 24. Mrs. Louis Culver, 33-year-old mother of three children, was hanged here this morning for the murder of her landlady, whom she strangled to death. It was the first time since 1923 that a woman had been executed in England. Thousands of persons signed a petition for a reprieve, but the home office refused the petition. The prisoner's baby boy was taken to Strangeway on Monday to see his mother for the last time. Mrs. Culver's husband, who initiated the petition for her reprieve, visited her Tuesday. He said that she maintained, as always, that she did not commit the murder.

Mrs. Culver is the first woman faced with execution in England since Mrs. Edith Thompson was hanged in Holloway jail, Jan. 9, 1923. Mrs. Thompson was convicted with F. Bywaters, for the slaying of her husband. The case stirred up much discussion in England and a huge crowd gathered outside the prison wall on the day that she was executed. Thousands of persons signed a petition for her reprieve without avail.

Safes Damaged, Little Stolen By Mirauders

(Continued from page one.) Laundry Job. At the steam laundry the burglars forced a window in the laundry but could not enter the office which forced the party to smash another window. In the office they forced a small drawer and a revolver is alleged to have been stolen, while the cash register also was tampered with, but nothing in the shape of money taken. The safe was untouched but the hammer with which it is thought had been smashed was lying on the ground outside. It was thought that burglars were persons who called at the laundry yesterday afternoon for a drink and from the position in which they stood they could see the cash register and the location of the safe. Further officials of the Leveille-Maher Motor Company stated that the burglars must have taken some of the drinking cups from the water barrel as the cups were scattered about the place. Some of these cups are said to have been found near where a party of campers spent the night near the lake.

The men and women under arrest told Chief Davenport that they had come from San Angelo and that they were on their way to Fort Worth. They were immediately suspected of the burglary and led Chief Davenport and Officer Daniels a merry chase before they were captured. They were given a thorough grilling but according to the officers there is very little information against them at present. The men were placed in the cells until County Attorney W. F. Barnes and Sheriff Edwards complete their investigations.

ARMY BILL APPROVED FULL SUM

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Secretary of War Davis' proposed army housing program involving \$5,777,000 in the next fiscal year has been approved by the house appropriations committee. The deficiency bill as reported to the House today carried all his proposals without a cent's deduction. The army will spend \$2,250,000 and the authority has been issued to contract for construction work to cost \$3,520,000. The expenditures include a project for Fort Sam Houston.

Ranger Lions Club Celebrates With Home Coming Day

Ranger Lions celebrated their noon luncheon Thursday with home-coming day when all the past presidents and officers were the leading guests of the day. The largest crowd for a long time were in attendance when President Ringold took the chair. Several fine inspiring talks were made by members, chief among whom were Lions Logsdon, Holloway and Lelevelen. A rare talk was also made by President Ringold who told of the meaning of Lionism and what it stood for.

They Win for Illinois



Presenting T. F. O'Connell and E. A. Shoaff of the University of Illinois tennis team. O'Connell won the Western Conference singles title at the recent tournament and paired with Shoaff copped the doubles, too. In short the Big Ten net results were pretty much an all-illini affair.

Spider Fashions Are All Rage With English Women

LONDON.—There are no flies on Miss Muffet of 1926. Instead of running away from the spider she now has him embroidered on her light summer wraps. It is quite likely that his web is there, too, done neatly in black or colors to contrast with the material of the flowing garment. "Spider fashions" are very popular at fashionable race meetings and other sporting events, and the English designers have secured a success in creation. As the spider weaves his web in unexpected places, so may this decoration be found in unexpected places on over the shoulder or be weaved in the folds of the loose coat.

The fashion has also been adopted for evening wear. Realistic spiders are seen worked in the finest silks. Similar designs are also being used on scarfs and even hats. The designers here have stopped at nothing to achieve original effects this season. As a contrast for the vicious spider they have pillaged the bishop's wardrobe for the cut of a coat that will be simple and at the same time distinctive. The result is a sleeveless coat that resembles the bishop's stole.

These designs, taken from the ecclesiastical vestment, have long straight, open fronts which hang down like those of the stole and are attached under the arms to a plain black drapery, and so form a coat patterned. The present vogue for gartered fabrics used in association with plain materials is demonstrated effectively in these sleeveless wraps. A plain georgette or crepe de chine frock is entirely altered in character when a stole-like coat of floral patterned fabric in brilliant colors is added.

By means of a stole and a fichu, which is a picturesque revival from the days of Marie Antoinette which has suddenly made its appearance, one frock can be made to present two entirely different aspects, and so cut day the summer dress bill.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY WILL MEET FRIDAY MORNING

The Ranger chapter of the American Legion auxiliary will hold a called meeting Friday morning at 10 o'clock in the Legion hall over the city hall. Every member is urgently requested to attend. Mrs. Frank Karczak, district chairman from Clyde, Texas, has a message to deliver that is worth hearing. Matters of importance are to be discussed.

HAUGEN MEASURE MAY PASS SENATE, GENERAL BELIEF

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Favorable action on the Haugen bill was indicated today when the senate began to vote on the amendment to the measure. An amendment submitted by Senator McNary of Oregon, farm bloc leader, assured the cotton producer \$75,000,000 of the equalization fund. AUTO COLLISION FATAL TO ONE

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Ranger Hardware Firm Displays Acorn Gas Range

Killingsworth-Cox & Company are demonstrating the last three days of this week the New Model Acorn Gas Range. This range has many new and improved features not before found on a gas range. All bolts, door-catches and hinges are concealed from view. Under the cooking top is a utility drawer that will be found very useful. The improved Acorn oven heat control relieves users of all guess work, as it will enable women to cook accurately, while away from the kitchen. The stoves are furnished in many models and finishes.

Miss Anna L. Ludden the Acorn factory demonstrator will be pleased to meet the ladies of Ranger Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Killingsworth-Cox & Company's store. She will gladly answer any questions regarding your cooking troubles, and serve you with cake baked on this new Acorn range.

Altar Placed On Lake Shore For Multitude

(Continued from page one.) of two years so that the "impossible" was made a reality. Dawn had hardly broken over the Lake Michigan horizon until long lines of automobiles from Chicago and Milwaukee were making their way to Mundelein. At 3 a. m. special trains on the Chicago and North Shore electric line started service at intervals of two minutes. Three steam railroads—the Chicago and Northwestern, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and the Soo Line—brought their respective quotas. Each hour added thousands to the number of people who came from the four corners of the world to witness this most magnificent of all liturgical pageants and to pay reverence to the Sacrament of the Blessed Eucharist.

The central scene of the pageant was set before the entrance to the dignified chapel which looks out over the calm waters of Lake St. Marys. Here a huge altar was built and nearby was a magnificent purple throne by was a magnificent purple throne for John Cardinal Bonzano, personal representative of Pope Pius. Twelve cardinal thrones for the other princes of the church were erected fanlike to the right and to the left of the altar.

All Can Hear. Space was reserved near the altar for the bishops and another space nearby for more than 5,000 priests. The laity was kept at a distance but with sight of all that transpired, huge amplifiers transmitted every word to the 1,000,000 onlookers. The festivities were to start at 10 a. m., with Cardinal Bonzano celebrating high pontifical mass in vestments that have been preserved thru the gaze for just such purposes as these. Services at the altar and the throne were to be of three hours duration and followed by a sermon by His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes, archbishop of New York.

Then, shortly after noon—with more pilgrims still coming by motorcade and trains—the beautiful procession around Lake St. Marys was to start. It was a procession two miles in length and the march was of three miles so that the first of the procession was nearly back to its starting place before the last of the procession started. It was estimated in advance that the procession would not be completed until 6 p. m., at which time Cardinal Bonzano was to intone the words of the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament which brings the Eucharistic Congress to a formal close.

AGED WOMAN FOUND BEATEN AND ROBBED

HOUSTON, June 24.—Mrs. Augustine Mobeau, 98, was found unconscious at her home here today, having been beaten and robbed of her savings of \$135. She is in a serious condition at a hospital here.

Wichita Falls Wins Meeting Of The Chamber

AMARILLO, June 24.—The eighth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce passed into history here last night with the selection of Wichita Falls as the 1927 convention city. The session passed off uneventfully, without a trace of strife during the three-day meeting. Wichita Falls was agreed upon, after the first ballot when she received 2,092 votes, Lubbock 1,602, and San Antonio 962. San Antonio did not cast her own vote of 457; Lubbock withdrew from the contest, with San Antonio, apparently eliminated, and voted to make Wichita Falls unanimously elected. The motion was voted.

Homer D. Wade was unanimously elected to fill the post of manager of the chamber, vacated by Porter A. Whaley. No change will be made in the organization of the staff pending a meeting of the executive board scheduled to meet in Abilene, July 12, Wade said, after a conference with President A. Duggan.

Eastland Elks Open New Home With Big Ball

The Eastland Elks opened their new home in Eastland last night with one of the most colorful celebrations in the history of the county, over 500 persons being present to enjoy dancing until the early hours of this morning. The music was rendered by Jack Gardner's famous Adolphus orchestra, and they hit a fast pace for the whole of the evening, but it was a moot point as to which were the most tired, the boys and girls of Eastland county or the trained musicians, when finally was called around 2 o'clock when the orchestra were forced to catch their train back to Dallas.

The orchestra led by the famous Jack in person are certainly the most popular orchestra in Texas, and sobriety and good behavior was marked. There was an absence of liquor or ill-feeling, the spirit of the crowd being one of good feeling and an intent to enjoy the hour.

Many Visitors Present. Among the crowd were visitors from every section of West Texas, some of the dancers driving over from Abilene, Brownwood and Breckenridge while they also came from as far east as Dallas, Fort Worth, Mineral Wells and Weatherford. Many of the county boys from the farms also came in with clean white suits and well slicked hair, while it was remarked on all sides that West Texas has the world beat for beautiful girls.

Hitting the Pace. Gardner insisted that the space in front of the piano be kept clear and sitting half turned on the stool he watched the feet of the dancers and jazzed them up or toned down the pace according to his fancy or the trend of the music.

The hall was beautifully decorated with flags and bunting while the newly laid floor was matchless in its sheen and glide while the air was kept cool with the use of fans and big blocks of ice.

Elks in charge of proceedings were R. B. Goodman, exalted ruler; W. K. Jackson, esteemed knight; R. J. Huddleston, loyal knight; R. J. Lobaugh, lecturer; Jack Gillespie, secretary; J. Hillier, tiler; C. J. White, junior guard and R. J. Bates, chairman of the entertainment committee.

County Fair To Be Discussed At Smoker Friday

Eastland citizens, especially the business man, will meet at the Chamber of Commerce Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing plans for the Eastland fair to be held in Eastland next fall. The following letter, announcing the meeting, has been mailed to all members of the Chamber of Commerce: "Do you want a fair for Eastland this fall?"

"The answer to this question will be given Friday night, at a smoker to be held at the Chamber of Commerce, at 8 o'clock. "Whether you want it or whether you don't, come to this meeting. The officers of the Chamber of Commerce say a fair is a fine thing for Eastland and Eastland county. The rural communities are already planning their exhibits.

"It's up to the business men to say we had a good fair last year under difficult conditions. We can have a better one this year, if the business men want it. "Here's your opportunity to serve the Chamber of Commerce and Eastland, by attending this meeting. "According to our custom, there will be no collections. "Yours for Eastland, "E. E. FREYSCHLAG, President. "GEO. W. BRIGGS, Secretary."

METHODIST YOUNG MATRONS CLUB TO GIVE A SOCIAL

The Young Matrons' club of the Methodist church will give a social at the home of Mrs. E. H. Mills, Friday at 8 o'clock. All members of the teachers' training classes, who previously belonged to the Young Matrons' club, are also invited to be present.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Royal Neighbors are having an ice cream social at their hall in the Terrace building this evening at 8 o'clock. A program will be rendered and everyone is invited to come out. RANGER PERSONALS. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stroud of Alvarado are here on a visit to the family of W. H. Reese on Elm street.

DEVELOPMENT OF TELEPHONE EQUALS NATION

All over the world the Bell Telephone Company is celebrating this year, the 50th anniversary of the advent of the birth of the telephone. It is not far in the history of the past when Alexander Graham Bell invented the first crude instrument that conveyed sound over a wire and through space.

Since that time the progress made in the science of telegraph and telephone has gone on by leaps and bounds, until today, it is possible to lift the receiver and talk to a friend in Mexico or on the Pacific Coast at Oregon—distance is no object.

The history of electricity which is so closely bound up with the telephone was demonstrated in a pageant recently given by the company at Dallas and later reproduced at Dallas.

The most enjoyable feature of this celebration was the book made by the telephone company showing the progress of electricity and other sciences during the fifty years that the telephone has been an accomplished fact. The huge book with its pages about four feet long was turned over by Bell to a young woman.

Thousands of persons watched this beautiful display and from an educational standpoint the show was remarkable and will go down in history as one of the leading factors in the development of the South.

There are over 900 telephones and stations in and around Ranger, all of which are directly under the control of the company, while in all there are over 1,000 installations. J. Phillip Pettitt is manager of the Ranger and Eastland office which also takes in the whole of Eastland county.

Mr. Housewright of the Citizens State Bank will speak to the class in banking of the Ranger high school, at 10 o'clock in the morning, as the class is now studying banking.

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FORT WORTH PARTY HALTS AT RANGER

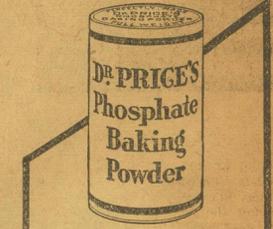
This evening at 7:50 the Fort Worth boosters from the convention at Amarillo will stop their train here for 20 minutes when they will parade the town, headed by the Fort Worth police band.

A stop will be made on Main street where addresses will be made by several of the visitors which will be replied to by Mayor Hodges, who will also address a welcome to the visitors.

C. C. Patterson, secretary of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, is driving home and may not reach Ranger in time for the meeting it was stated. Residents and business men are asked to be at the station to greet the visitors.

Heavy Showers Prevail Over Northern Texas

DALLAS, June 24.—Heavy showers accompanied by high winds in places was reported from Northern Texas points today. Gainesville received heavy rain last night and this morning. Lightning struck a house during the rain, slightly injuring a negro woman. High winds which caused no serious damage accompanied an inch of rain at Vernon. Heavy rain clouds hung over Paris at noon today. Marshall reported cloudy weather. Unsettled with local thunder showers, was the forecast of the United States Weather Bureau here today.



The low cost of DR. PRICE'S brings to the home a baking powder economy you should not overlook. Contains no alum—leaves no bitter taste!

"WE SHOW NEW THINGS FIRST" MOTTO OF J. M. WHITE THAT WINS CUSTOMERS AND BUSINESS

Head of Concern Gained Record as Athlete Athlete When But a School Boy on Farm

Having as his slogan, "We Show the New Things First," J. M. White, one of the most progressive merchants of Ranger, has demonstrated his claim by illustrating elsewhere in this issue, two charming feminine outfits, chosen from his ample stocks, and worn by two equally charming Ranger girls.

Miss Evelyn Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Russell of Strawn road, and Miss Alice McCaskill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Mc-

White kept him in good physical condition, and his excellent health has caused him to develop into a happy, pleasing personality that reflects itself in his business associations. He is liked by his customers and employees, and loved by his family and friends.

Between baseball seasons in his youth Mr. White worked in dry goods stores, thereby acquiring a knowledge of the business which was later to become his life's work. At the age of 24 he became manager of a store in Morgan, Texas, holding the position for three years.

When 28 years old he married and located in Haskell, where he took up the oil business, handling leases and royalties, following the business till he came to Ranger.

Interested in Oil.
In addition to his department store Mr. White is interested with Howard Heith in Palo Pinto county in the development of a shallow oil field. They already have two producing wells, and are planning an extensive drilling program. He also has the Hudson and Essex agency for Eastland and Ranger, in which he is associated with B. D. Hampton.

Mr. White is a member of the Masonic lodge and Shrine, the Lions club and Central Baptist church. He has a wife and three sons.

The store has an able staff of managers and salespeople of whom Mr. White is justifiably proud. Dewey Jones has charge of the shoe department and W. P. Bryant is buyer and manager of the men's clothing department. Mrs. Hattie Gilbert has charge of the piece goods. Mrs. Ethel Hogan, who came here at the beginning of the boom, presides over the hosiery and notions and is assistant buyer for these departments. Mrs. Blanche Hindland is manager of the S. & H. green stamms and premium department. Mrs. George Bumpers is manager and buyer for the ready-to-wear, and Mrs. Myrtle Smith is in charge of the millinery and is assistant buyer in the ready-to-wear. Mrs. Lora Lewis acts as a cashier.

In the immediate future Mr. White will start on a program of improvement for the store, remodeling the front into a modern show place for his large and high class stocks. The windows will be of solid plate glass and the front when completed will be comparable to the foremost business houses in the section.

PARAMOUNT PHARMACY A SUCCESS

Under a new name and management the Paramount Pharmacy, succeeding several previous drug stores at the corner of Main and Austin streets, was opened the middle part of May by H. J. Stafford, a popular young business man of Ranger, and son of R. R. Stafford who has been in the drug business in Ranger for many years. Although the two men are ostensibly competitors, the elder Stafford is in reality associated with his son, which is quite a business asset to the Paramount Pharmacy.

Since purchasing the drug store, which is on a prominent and popular location, H. J. Stafford has been engaged in the general improvement of the store. He has built up a stock of merchandise comparable with any first class drug store in the country and has installed a Butterkistwich electric sandwich outfit for making delicious butter toasted sandwiches.

New Soda Fountain
He has also just completed installing a new 16-foot Walrus soda fountain with inside tile panels and Verde Italian base. While this is a large fixture investment, the decision to install a new fountain was influenced solely by the fixed policy of the management to conduct a clean, sanitary business in every department, carrying out the store's slogan, "The clean, bright spot on Main street."

A news stand was recently added to the business, carrying daily papers and all popular magazines and periodicals. The pharmacy has an exclusive agency for Pangburn's candy, and carries a complete line of tobacco goods, ranging from a five cent domestic cigar to high class, expensive Havanas.

Native Texan
Mr. Stafford is a native Texan, born in Columbus, Texas, on July 4, 1891. He was educated in the schools of Texas and New Orleans. Before he was employed by the Gulf Refining Company, at Port Arthur, but within a week after war was declared he severed his connection and entered the first officers' training camp at Leon Springs where he was commissioned a lieutenant, later being promoted to a first lieutenant. During his service in the army he held important assignments at Camp Dix, N. J., Hoboken, N. J. and New York City.

After more than 2 years army service Mr. Stafford received his discharge and was again employed by the Gulf company sales department, being assigned to the sales territory of north central Pennsylvania. Later he was promoted to sales manager of the south New Jersey territory with headquarters at Atlantic City. In 1920 he had an opportunity to join the sales force of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company with headquarters at Philadelphia for four years and covered a territory including such historic points as York,

Lancaster, Gettysburg, Chambersburg and Harover, Pa.

Married in California
Wanting to return to his home state he prevailed upon the company to transfer him to Texas, making Ranger his headquarters. He was immediately sold on the town and decided to locate here permanently. He married Miss Genevieve Woodruff, a Los Angeles girl, who was visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. B. Palmer, at that time a Ranger resident. Later they built a home at 302 Spring road, opposite the R. R. Stafford home, and following the arrival of a little son Mr. Stafford decided to give up his



—Photo by Kinberg
H. J. STAFFORD

traveling position and enter the business life of Ranger. The opportunity presented itself to take over the drug store, and due to the fact that his father is an experienced and successful druggist and could assist him materially in the management of the business, he bought the place which he since successfully operated.

In addition to his father Mr. Stafford is also assisted by J. W. Patterson, a registered pharmacist and graduate of the University of Texas School of Pharmacy. Mr. Patterson has had ten years drug experience, holding down two of the largest prescription jobs in Dallas. Also for six years he was with the Eli Lilly & Company, the largest drug manufacturing company in America.

Others of the courteous and efficient force are Carey Alderson, who has had long experience in the drug and soda business, Richard Mitchell and Ross Williams.

Knows Public
Although not an experienced druggist, Mr. Stafford has had many years experience contacting closely with the business world, and has surrounded himself with such able advisors, he is enabled to give to Ranger a store that ranks foremost among the business interests of the city. He has made the improvements and changes necessary to convert the Paramount Pharmacy into a store that will compare favorably with stores in the biggest cities. He is a steady, capable, and likable young man and possesses many outstanding qualities of a substantial nature that make him staunch and personal friends and loyal business associates. Mr. Stafford is a member of the First Methodist Church, and belongs to the Lions and Ranger Country Club.

LION'S KISS TOO MUCH FOR NORMA

Norma Shearer, who is on the screen for today only at the Lamb theatre in "The Devil's Circus" learned something about lions she had never known before while making this picture at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios.

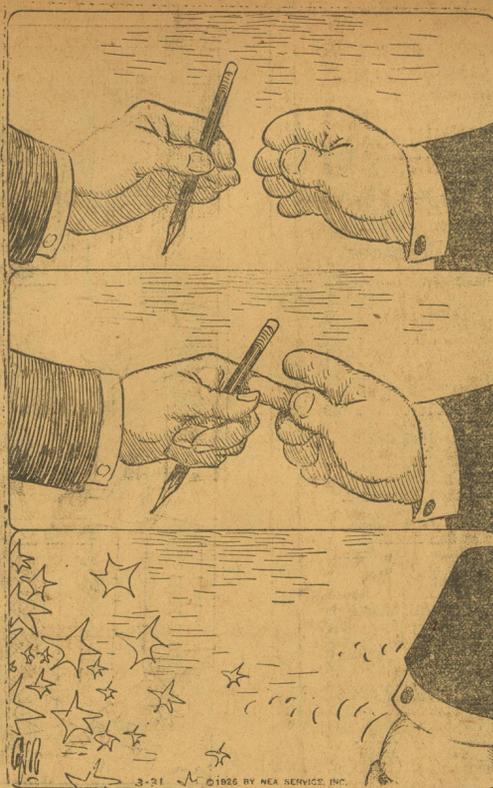
Pluto, 660-pound king of the jungle, who is in the circus sequence of the picture, licked her face, and Norma almost lost the face.
Pluto is, at heart, a gentle cat, with a kind disposition belying his ferocious appearance. In the days she worked with him, Norma grew quite fond of the magnificent beast and he of her. Under the watchful eye of the lion-keeper, Norma was petting him, and the lion turned and licked her face, much as would a thoroughly domesticated housecat.
The caress almost drew blood.
The abrasive tongue is peculiar to all cat animals and, of course, is at its zenith in the lion, the monarch of the cat family. After that occurrence Norma eschewed the cats, as far as intimate contact was concerned. In her new picture Norma is seen with Charles Emmett Mack, Carmel Myers, Claire McDowell, John Hiljan, Joyce Coad and the dog, Buddy.

Novel Scarf



A charming scarf of bright pink georgette is made in a large square and caught at the throat with a flower of the same material.

EVERETT TRUE



She's Only Woman Railway President in U. S.—And She Knows Her Job



Mrs. Sarah Edenborn

By NEA Service

NEW ORLEANS, June 23.—Meet Mrs. Sarah Edenborn, only woman president of a railroad in the United States!

Mrs. Edenborn is not only the president of the Louisiana Railway & Navigation Company—she's its sole owner, as well.

Furthermore, she knows just about all there is to be known about its 700 miles of trackage, its big trans-Mississippi ferries, its terminals and shops and round houses. The title of president is no empty one; it means that Mrs. Edenborn is actively at the head of the railway's affairs.

The railroad, which runs from New Orleans through Shreveport to McKinney, Texas, was built more than a score of years ago. William Edenborn, her husband, had invented a process for making barbed wire and had accumulated a vast fortune. He built the railroad himself, without a dollar of bonds, debentures or other indebtedness, and the husband and wife had offices side by side, running the railroad together.

Not long ago he died, leaving Mrs. Edenborn his sole heir. All of the subordinate officials of the road asked Mrs. Edenborn to take the presidency. She did it—and her co-workers vow there is no more efficient railroad executive in the country.

"I ought to know the railroad business," she says modestly. "I've been working at it all my life, with my husband. I have been over every foot of the track, not once but many times."

She knows personally all of its lesser staff of workers and most of the "gangs" in the shops and on the sections. She calls them by their first names, inquires about their families and children and chattily discusses with them the road's business.

The workers say that she knows every foot of the line as well as the track inspectors and maintenance of way men know them. She knows each repair shop and engine house, its staff and its work, as well as the individual foreman and superintendents know them.

LIVES VERY SIMPLY

Despite her great wealth—her fortune is estimated at more than \$50,000,000—Mrs. Edenborn lives very simply in a modest suburban cottage on the outskirts of New Orleans. She keeps house for herself, doing the greater part of her own housework and having a servant only occasionally. She rides on street cars, as she and her husband did throughout their married life.

An anecdote they tell of her shows her unassuming ways. A few years ago, before her husband died, a group of several hundred New Orleans business men were guests of Mr. Edenborn on a trip over the railroad. The party was crossing the Mississippi on one of the line's ferries when suppertime came. Down into the steaming kitchen went Mrs. Edenborn, to work for hours with two negro maids slicing chicken, ham and bread for sandwiches and loading up huge platters of food for the hungry guests.

BY CONDO

RANGER GARAGE MAKES SERVICE SEEM PLEASURE

The Ranger Garage and Service Station, which opened a few days ago on Rusk and Pine streets, is the very newest business of its kind in the city. The station has just been constructed of brick and concrete and is fire-proof throughout.

This feature of the business—that is the fire-proof construction—is especially attractive to people wanting to store their cars. The storage room is 50 by 100 feet and can accommodate 40 cars.

The floors throughout the building are concrete, and the whole appearance is fresh, new and attractive. A ladies' rest room is located on the Pine street side.

The company is owned and managed by W. S. Speegle, who has been a resident of Ranger for eight years. He has lived in Texas for more than 40 years, and in 1918 he located in Ranger and became connected with the old Ranger garage from the time it started until it burned down two years ago. Mr. Speegle served in every capacity at this garage, from "hired hand" to part owner. He has had 12 years experience in the garage business and is an able mechanic. He will also be assisted in the business by two skilled mechanics, who are able to take care of repairs on all makes of cars.

In addition to his storage and repair departments, Mr. Speegle has installed a large tire salesroom, where he will furnish the Ranger people with the famous Kelly-Springfields. These tires have proven their dependability, and Mr. Speegle confidently anticipates a large business in this line.

He has also secured the products of the Texaco company, selling both the gas and oil of this substantial and highly satisfactory concern. The Texaco people have recently been carrying on an extensive advertising campaign, which has proven a big advantage to stations handling their products. All wash jobs are done at the Ranger Garage and Service station with the Curtis air-spray car washing machine, which is the last word in equipment for this kind of work.

In a word, there is no more up-to-date garage, filling station, and tire store in the whole West Texas territory than the Ranger Garage and Filling station. To use the modern slang, it's just "plumb jam-up," and it is indeed gratifying to Ranger people to see the rapid progress the town is making, as evidenced by the introduction of a new business in the general class of Mr. Speegle's garage.

Because of his former connection with the Ranger garage, Mr. Speegle has made many friends in the city, and during the week or two preceding his opening there was a stream of old customers driving in to see if he didn't have something they could buy, and extending their best wishes with the promise of substantial patronage as soon as the place opened up.

Mr. Speegle lives on Elm street opposite the postoffice. He has a wife and two sons, the boys assisting him in the business. He is a member of the Methodist church, and likes lodge and takes an active part in all civic affairs.

Head Of Power Office Knows His Business

William Gifford Clegg, prominent young man of Ranger, is manager of the Oil Cities Electric Company and the Oil Belt Power Company, two organizations which serve the needs of Ranger in a most satisfactory manner. He was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1894, which makes him one of the youngest business men of the city to attain the position of responsibility which he so capably handles.

Mr. Clegg was educated in the Universities of Missouri and Wisconsin, specializing in electrical engineering. He completed his course in 1917. His first business connection was with



W. G. CLEGG

the Southwestern Bell Telephone system at St. Louis. Later he was associated with the Westinghouse Lamp company and was transferred to Texas as manager for the state with headquarters in Dallas.

Mr. Clegg later came to Ranger as one of the organizers of the Ranger Light & Power Co., and when it was bought out by the Oil Cities Electric company he was retained as manager.

Mr. Clegg is a member of the Episcopal church, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants Association. He is one of Ranger's foremost citizens, public spirited, efficient, and enjoying a wide circle of friends.

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LEAVES RANGER to Strawn, Palo Pinto, Mineral Wells, Weatherford, Fort Worth, 8:20 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 4:50 p. m., 8:20 p. m.

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PERISH IN FLAMES OF SCHOONER

By United Press.
GLOUCESTER, Mass., June 24.—Thirteen members of the crew of the schooner Falmouth, out of Gloucester are believed to have been drowned when the boat was destroyed by fire, off Sabel island.

Details of the wreck were learned today, when Capt. Eric Carlson and eight men landed on Sabel island.

The ship was abandoned, the captain said, after the gasoline tanks exploded from a fire that started in the deck house.

Oklahoma Refuses Federal Request For 2 Prisoners

By United Press.
PAWUSKA, Okla., June 24.—Despite a concerted request from the Federal authorities, Judge Jess Worten of the district court today refused to turn over W. Hale, alleged leader of the gang perpetrating the Osage Indian reign of terror and murders, John Ramsey and Hale alleged accomplices to the Federal authorities for trial.

Doctors Hold On Few Hopes For The Babe

By United Press.
COFFEYVILLE, Kas., June 24.—Doctors speculated today on the chances for the life of a two-day old infant weighing one-half pound, born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Oran Walton, parents of six other normal healthy children.

The infant, a girl, is perfectly formed and healthy. The child's head is described as being smaller than that of a billiard ball. Doctors said they thought that the child has a remote chance to live.

Former Thornton Bank Official Released on Bond

By United Press.
WACO, June 24.—W. T. Brown, former assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Thornton, was released on a \$5,000 bond pending charges of embezzlement and misappropriation of bank funds.

Brown will stand trial in November, in connection with the disappearance of \$78,000 worth of Liberty bonds from the bank which was destroyed by fire a month ago. A felony plea of not guilty was entered at the hearing here today.

Terrell First Candidate To File Expenses

By United Press.
AUSTIN, June 24.—Sam Houston Terrell, state comptroller, is the first candidate to file a sworn statement of his expense account in this campaign.

Terrell reported that he had expended \$1,051 and had not received any contributions to his campaign and had not borrowed any money.

The greater part of the expense was due to having his name placed on the ticket.

Scientists Quit Trying to Talk With Mars Folks

By United Press.
LONDON.—English science is giving Mars a rest.

After more than 20 years of fruitless effort to establish communication with our planetary neighbor 35,000,000 miles distant, English astronomers have abandoned the idea and routine duty of solving the problem of the internal temperatures of stars.

Other nations can now cease to worry over any immediate prospects of the extension of the British imperial policy to the other worlds of the universe and the people of Mars. "Although a few 'cranks' in the world of astronomy still appear greatly excited over the hope of the establishment of communication with Mars, there is no longer taking an interest in the subject," an official of the Royal Astronomical Society told the United Press. "It is possible that life in some form does exist on Mars, but whether this life could comprehend any kind of communication from other parts of the universe is very doubtful."

"The public, in its present comprehension of the theory of life on Mars, has been greatly misled by astronomers themselves in the talk of the 'canals' of Mars. People now are almost lead to believe through the all too loose talk of Martian canals and bodies of water that the planet is inhabited by humans like ourselves who spend their days digging these canals and doing other tasks much the same as we do, of course erroneously created by astronomers themselves."

Woman Confers With Officers Over Kidnaping

ican cabin, where she was refused help, she staggered on, into Agua Prieta, where Anderson is said to have found her.

MILLION DOLLAR KIDNAPING PLOT

DOUGLAS, Ariz., June 24.—Plans for a "million dollar kidnaping syndicate," were projected by the abductors of Mrs. Aimee Eemle McPherson, with motion picture stars marked for their victims, according to the story told today by the Los Angeles woman evangelist, relating further details of her alleged kidnaping and sudden re-appearance here five weeks after her supposed drowning in the surf near Los Angeles. Mrs. McPherson told of the roposee whole-sale kidnaping of film stars, she over heard discussed by her captors while she was in prison in Mexico.

"They planned to kidnap Mary Pickford as soon as she returned from Europe," said Mrs. McPherson, "she was to be seized and held for one million dollars ransom."

Chinese Soldiers Attack English Tourists at Peking

By United Press.
PEKING.—A party of British motorists arriving here from Tientsin brought a tale of mistreatment by Chinese soldiers which is considered one of the most disquieting incidents of recent years.

Several automobiles were negotiating a difficult bit of road only ten miles from Peking. There was considerable traffic. Although traveling slowly, one of the cars bursted a richa and upset its Chinese occupant. The car stopped and one of whom is in the employ of the Andrews Asiatic Expedition—two British men in the machine conferred with the Chinese, who said the upset was his own fault and that he was not hurt.

The two foreigners were about to go on when a couple of Chinese soldiers dashed up, stripped off their belts, and began to strike at the foreigners. According to their story told here, the foreigners attempted to defend themselves, but a whole group of soldiers arrived, leveled their rifles and declared the foreigners must submit to punishment or they would fire.

There were foreign women in the machine. The odds were hopeless, particularly in view of the fact that the Britishers were unarmed. And so for a period of several minutes they were forced to stand by their car while two soldiers beat their heads with belt buckles.

Finally the Chinese who had been upset came running up. He begged the soldiers to stop, declaring that he had not been harmed and that the soldiers might get themselves into serious trouble. So the soldiers listened and the foreigners went on to Peking.

Representations are being made to the Chinese military authorities, but it is thought that identification of the soldiers will be impossible.

Russia Has Hopes Of Controlling Oil Supply Of World

MOSCOW.—Soviet authorities are following with the deepest interest the pourparlers now under way in Paris between Michael Lomov, as head of the Russian oil syndicate, and representatives of the Standard Oil.

These negotiations, it is felt here, are bound to prove an important factor in re-establishing normal relations between Russia and the United States while their effect upon Russian oil development and, indeed, the oil situation of the entire world, should be profound.

The importance of Russian oil deposits to Soviet foreign relations is accepted here as fundamental. It is pointed out that oil has already smoothened out the Soviet relations with France and Italy, both of whom use Baku oil in their navies.

Russia believes that the development of the Baku and Groszny oil fields will mean a total annual production of 120,000,000 barrels by 1930. Of this amount Russia hopes to export to Europe at least half, or 60,000,000 barrels. Since this would equal 50 per cent of Europe's consumption, the Soviet looks forward to a fairly dominant position in the oil markets of Europe, if not of the world.

I. S. Friedman, acting head of the Oil Syndicate in the absence of Lomov, told the United Press that the Soviet economic authorities would welcome the co-operation of the Standard Oil Company in developing the unexplored and partially explored Russian oil resources. He mentioned particularly the oil fields around Emba, on the eastern shores of the Caspian Sea, which contain four hundred square miles of valuable oil deposits.

While the Soviet intends to keep control of the main developed fields at Groszny and Baku—the oil from which it is now selling to England, France, Germany, Italy and Turkey—there are other great fields in the Caucasus, the Crimea, and in Russian Central Asia which it is willing to share with others, whenever economic and political advantages may be thus gained.

SHERIFF EDWARD BACK ON THE JOB

Sheriff Bob Edwards had completely recovered this morning from his illness attack and was back on the job. With County Attorney W. J. Barnes he proceeded to Ranger this morning where he conducted an investigation into the series of burglaries in that city last night.

BASEBALL

HOW THEY STAND

OIL BELT LEAGUE.			
Standing of the Teams.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Ranger	9	2	.818
Breckenridge	6	5	.545
Thurber	4	7	.364
Eastland	3	8	.273

Where They Play Next Sunday.
 Thurber at Ranger.
 Breckenridge at Eastland.

TEXAS LEAGUE.

Standing of the Teams.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Dallas	10	27	.507
San Antonio	7	33	.529
Beaumont	36	32	.529
Fort Worth	34	31	.523
Houston	35	36	.493
Shreveport	33	35	.485
Wichita Falls	32	37	.464
Waco	26	42	.382

Yesterday's Results.
 San Antonio 11, Dallas 5.
 Shreveport 6, Waco 5.
 Beaumont 5-4, Wichita Falls 4-3.
 Fort Worth 3, Houston 2.

Today's Schedule.
 Dallas at San Antonio.
 Wichita Falls at Beaumont.
 Fort Worth at Houston.
 Shreveport at Waco.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Standing of the Teams.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	37	26	.587
Pittsburgh	34	24	.586
St. Louis	36	28	.563
Brooklyn	32	29	.525
Chicago	31	31	.500
New York	30	32	.484
Boston	23	37	.382
Philadelphia	21	37	.362

Yesterday's Results.
 Philadelphia-New York, rain.
 Brooklyn 3-6, Boston 1-4.
 St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 2.
 Chicago 5, Cincinnati 3.

Today's Schedule.
 Pittsburgh at St. Louis.
 Philadelphia at New York.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Standing of the Teams.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	44	19	.698
Chicago	36	29	.554
Philadelphia	35	29	.547
Cleveland	35	30	.538
Detroit	33	32	.508
Washington	29	32	.475
St. Louis	25	39	.391
Boston	17	44	.279

Yesterday's Results.
 Washington-Philadelphia, rain.
 Chicago 5, Cleveland 3.
 Only games scheduled.

Today's Schedule.
 Cleveland at Chicago.
 Washington at Philadelphia (two games).
 New York at Boston.

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THE FOLKS BACK HOME



Ranger Man Well Up In Eastland Gun Club Shoot

J. C. (Coley) Harrell of Eastland was high score man in both singles and doubles at the regular weekly shoot of the Eastland Gun Club Wednesday afternoon. J. H. Harkleroad of Ranger and James Horton of Eastland tied for second place in singles, while S. M. Root of Eastland was second in doubles. Forty-eight was high score in singles and 27 high score in doubles. Forty-seven was the second best in singles and 27 second best in doubles. Following is the score:

Singles:
 Coley Harrell, Eastland, 48x50
 J. H. Harkleroad, Ranger, 47x50
 James Horton, Eastland, 47x50
 L. A. Hightower, Eastland, 46x50
 C. C. Lowe, Eastland, 46x50
 Mrs. James Horton, Eastland, 44x50
 Al Woods, Eastland, 43x50
 Walter Gray, Eastland, 43x50
 S. M. Root, Eastland, 39x50
 James Hart, Eastland, 36x50
 Charles Reasor, Eastland, 33x50
 J. L. Cottingham, Eastland, 32x50
 H. Roberts, Eastland, 20x25
 R. Reasor, Eastland, 12x25

Doubles:
 J. C. Harrell, Eastland, 87x48
 S. M. Root, Eastland, 27x48
 L. A. Hightower, Eastland, 19x24
 James Horton, Eastland, 19x24
 J. H. Harkleroad, Eastland, 17x24
 C. C. Lowe, Eastland, 16x24
 Charles Reasor, Eastland, 13x24
 H. Roberts, Eastland, 13x24

Carl Barnes Post American Legion Is Factor In City

The Carl Barnes post of the American Legion is one of the most active in the state of Texas. The post has entertained the seventeenth district convention twice in the last two years. At the last convention held here they gave a silver loving cup as an attendance prize.

Through the courtesy of the city commission they were given a 10-year lease on the entire upper floor of the city hall, for \$1 a year rental. The legion post has spent over \$1,000 remodeling the hall and now have one of the best in this part of the country, which is used by both the legion and Boy Scouts, and legion auxiliary, as well as furnishing the city of Ranger a municipal hall for all patriotic purposes, conventions, chamber of commerce meetings, etc.

The Carl Barnes post on Feb. 6, 1926, at public auction, bid in the special Confederate Memorial coin No. 159, for \$263, the highest price paid for a like coin in the United States at that time. The legion has 135 paid up members this year.

The officers of the post are: W. C. Hickey, post commander; F. B. Elliott first vice commander; O. R. Brady, second vice commander; J. R. Tolland, adjutant; W. W. Housewright, finance officer; T. A. Tume, sergeant-at-arms; John Shannon, historian; J. A. Shaw, chaplain; A. N. Larson, service officer.

Ranger has the only Voiture for Eastland county of La Societe des 40 Hommes and 8 Chevaux, which is the "playground" of the legion. It has members all over Eastland county, and stands second in membership in the entire state of Texas. Gonzales, Texas, where the state officers are located, being the largest. The officers are: S. A. Lillard Jr., chief de gare; C. C. Craig, chef de train; J. B. Heister, commissaire intendant; Al Tune, conducteur locale; Ben T. Nelson, correspondant; Red Strawn, garde de la porte.

Pennsylvania Primary Now The Big Issue

(Continued from page one.)

One of these candidates was known to have spent the most money. Reed is a wet and energetic opponent of the Anti-Saloon league. Here, he is credited with thinking, was a good chance to investigate the Anti-Saloon league.

The world court was the big issue in Illinois. Reed has been trying to find out for years where propaganda for the world court emanated. He believed vast sums were being spent in the propaganda. Here was a good chance to see who spent the money and how much for the world court candidate.

So even though the democratic party was for the court and nationally refusing to tamper with prohibition, Reed succeeded in getting through the senate his resolution for a primary expenditures inquiry by a senate committee.

And to what he got was an issue for the democratic party.

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University Star Turns Professional To Finish Course

By United Press.
DALLAS, June 24.—In order to complete his education and become a full-fledged doctor Sandi Esquivel, youthful athletic sensation from the University of Texas who holds El Paso as his hometown is in Dallas seeking to enter the professional pugilistic ring.

Esquivel has been here about two weeks and Larry Meinert, promoter of local fistic encounters is seeking an opponent for the college star. Meinert has hopes of arranging a bout Monday night, June 28, he said.

Esquivel made quite a name for himself as a boxer back in his high school days in El Paso. He also took part in football and basket ball. Following his entrance into the University of Texas at Austin he took up boxing, football and basket ball in addition to his scholastic duties.

"Doc" Stewart, doleful coach of the university, found a good football prospect in Candy but because he was also a stellar performer in basket ball the coach usually saved him in the football games for fear he would be injured in such a way it would interfere with other activities where he was needed.

Esquivel took a number of championship titles in boxing at the university.

Sandi says he hopes to make enough money as a box fighter to carry him through the medical school at Galveston next year.

Claim a Memphis, Tenn., judge drank five gallons of evidence. He certainly was investigating the cases.

Some women are so contrary they often have ideas of their own.

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CITY-COUNTY HOSPITAL IS MODERN PLANT

Atop a hill, overlooking the city of Ranger, occupying one of the most attractive locations in the oil field country, is the City-County Hospital, maintained jointly by Ranger and Eastland County.

The large and splendid fireproof building was erected the latter part of 1923, and opened early in February, 1924. The grounds on which the hospital is located cost \$1,500, and the building was erected at a cost of \$55,000, with equipment valued at \$5,000. The institution was financed by bonds issued by the city, and warrants issued by the county.

The building is particularly well arranged for hospital purposes. The furniture, as well as structure, is fire proof, being made entirely of steel, even to the chairs and dressers. The beds can be raised and lowered into different shapes for the comfort and convenience of the patients. They are known as "all posture" beds.

The operating unit is copied after the operating room in the Michael Reese hospital at Chicago, which is the most modern and complete to be found anywhere. The City-County hospital is also up-to-date in its treatments, and was the first hospital in this part of the country to use the Ethylene gas for anesthetics, and also the first, if not the only, institution to introduce into the Southwest the colonic anesthesia which is especially effective in operative cases. This is said to be absolutely successful, saving the patient irritation to the respiratory tract, nausea, and danger to the heart.

The hospital has room for 42 patients and a staff of efficient and gentle nurses who help in a great measure in relieving suffering humanity. The hospital board is composed of prominent physicians and laymen of the county.

Ranger takes a just pride in this institution for it fills a much-felt want in this section. In the beginning of the boom, the little town was being evolved into a substantial city, the sick of the community were tended in the upper floors of downtown buildings, which were inadequate for the requirements of the time. After several years of effort the ambition of the local people to have a modern and efficient place for the treatment of illness was at last realized, and the City-County has almost made it possible to consider sickness a pleasure, at least it has removed the old dread of illness under former conditions existing here. For patients know that comfortable rooms, cheerful surroundings, and kind and efficient nurses await them at the hospital on top of the hill.

Because of its location the City-County Hospital not only commands a splendid view of the surrounding territory, but it stands sentinel-like above the town, where it can be pointed to with pride to all outsiders. It is commanding in appearance, and is one of the coolest spots in town. The south breeze is always welcome during the summer, and in the three sun-parlors where convalescents may enjoy their daily outings, the comfort of a summer resort.

Swimmer's Hopes Of Making Channel Rather Doubtful

By HENRY L. FARRELL (United Press Staff Correspondent) LONDON.—No swimmer—made or female—will be able to swim the English Channel this year in the opinion of numerous French and English swimming experts and trainers.

Abnormal weather conditions, following a terrible winter on the oceans and an extremely tardy spring will prevail during the summer season and will make it extremely perilous for a man to attempt the battle with the channel tides and virtually impossible for a woman.

Before starting a recent trip across the channel, the writer asked a hard faced old veteran of the crew if he thought a woman ever would be able to conquer the cold water, the tides and the waves that are a part of the channel's daily routine.

The boat, tied up at the dock was hobbling up and down like one of those trick floor devices at Coney Island and waves were breaking over the prow. With the exception of one or two celebrants who had reached a "don't care" condition on the train from London, the passengers were all violently ill, and the trip hadn't started.

"Swim 'er?" the old salt answered. "It's a hard job for a man to ride 'er. Look at the way she's running now. I'd call the bobbies if a girl of mine tried to swim 'er."

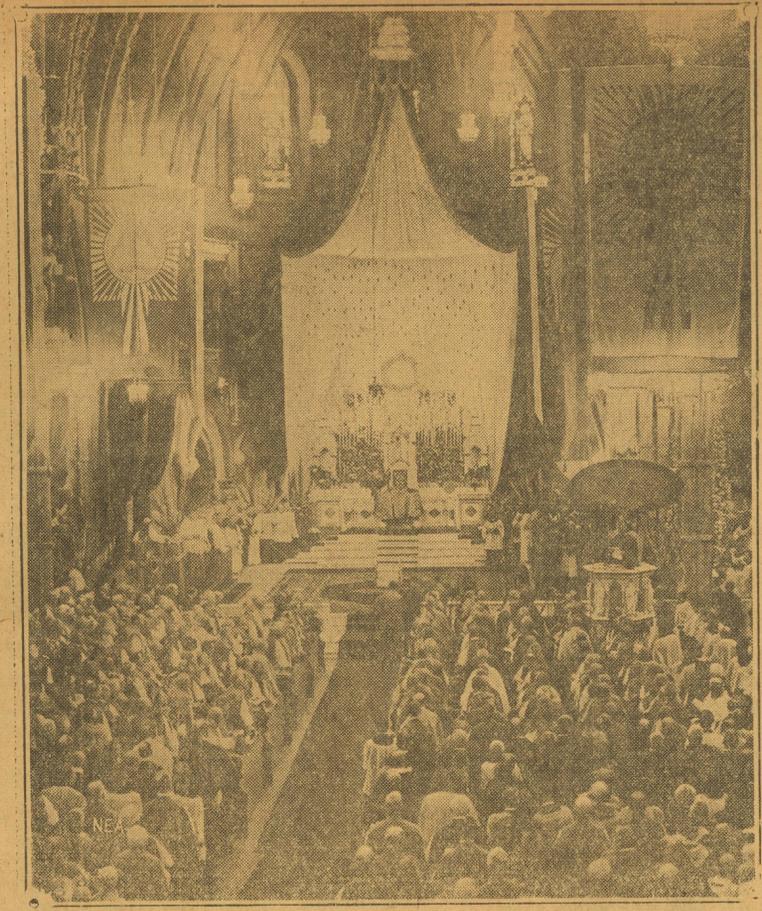
He said that only the greatest of luck ever had enabled a man to swim across and that it needed more than luck to make it possible for a girl.

Even those who are to train Gertrude Ederle, Lillian Cannon, and other American misses who are to make the attempt this summer, are skeptical that the young Americans will be successful.

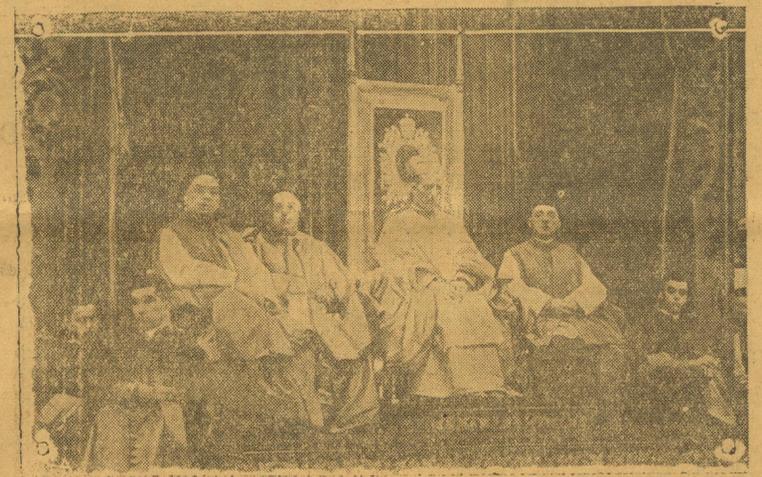
They and others, interested in the success of any adventurous young woman feel that the year is against them. The channel, they say, has been crazy all winter, colder and more tricky than ever and they are of the opinion that the same conditions will prevail all year.

Capt. Jensen, master of the S. S. Minckellan, who was on the bridge of the Lapland when she was submerged during the war and who has been on the sea since he was able to handle a line said, that last winter was the worst he had ever seen and he expressed the opinion that abnormal conditions in all ocean waters would prevail all through the summer.

FORMAL OPENING OF EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS



This remarkable picture shows the opening of the International Eucharistic Congress in Holy Name Cathedral at Chicago. Cardinal Bonzano is seated on the throne in the left background. Opposite him are other visiting cardinals, while in the foreground may be seen a solid phalanx of bishops, archbishops and other members of the Catholic hierarchy.



John Cardinal Bonzano, papal legate, is shown here seated on the throne in the cathedral of Holy Name, Chicago, at the opening of the International Eucharistic Congress.

RANGER CREAMERY IMPORTANT ADDITION TO EASTLAND COUNTY

One of the recently organized business concerns of the city, which has already taken an important place in the community, is the Ranger Creamery Company, which fills a long-felt need in this part of the country. The company is capitalized at \$10,000, and numbers among its officers, directors and stockholders, some of the prominent business men of Ranger.

The company opened for business on May 1. It has a splendid plant, equipment sufficient for the operation of a first class dairy, including two up-to-date pasteurizers, a churn, a \$5,000 refrigerating plant, storage vaults, bottle washers, bottle fillers, separators, and so forth. The plant has a capacity of 200 gallons of sweet milk a day, and is selling 50 gallons of Bulgarian buttermilk a day. The butter output reaches as 400 pounds a day. Two delivery trucks are used for marketing the company's products.

In addition to handling dairy products, the company also handles poultry, shipping to the neighboring market of Fort Worth. John J. Clark, who is manager of the company, said recently:

"The creamery wasn't started for the sole purpose of helping Ranger, but rather in the interest of the farmers of the county, who, when they prosper themselves, in turn help Ranger to greater prosperity. In developing the dairy industry in the county we are putting the town on a substantial basis. It is our desire to see every farmer in the county with at least ten cows, and selling their milk and cream to us. A creamery has long been needed here both for the purpose of selling good, wholesome, pasteurized milk, and milk products to the Ranger people, and to afford a ready market to the cattle raisers of the surrounding territory."

Mr. Clark has been in the dairy and creamery business for fifteen years, most of the time being spent in Stephenville. Some of the leading business men of Ranger, feeling the necessity of a local creamery, interested

efficient direction the company enjoyed an immediate success, and the stockholders confidently expect the company to meet with a steadily increasing business, and to add its part to the general prosperity of the community. The company's directors are all prominent Ranger people, the list comprising S. A. Lillard Jr., John Gholson, E. H. Mills, Dr. R. H. Hodges and John Clark.

Official Patriot's Pledge of Faith used throughout the country during American Independence Week under the plan promulgated to the American People by President Coolidge and the U. S. Commission.

IN CONGRESS JULY 4, 1776
The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America

I do hereby pledge and declare my sincere belief and devout faith in the fundamental ideals of my country so bravely proclaimed to the world by the immortal signers of the Declaration of American Independence; and in their words and noble spirit "we pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor" to the support of those ideals; and as a token of my sincerity and as an evidence of my gratitude for the blessings which that immortal document has assured to all Americans, I do hereby make this contribution for the preservation of Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, as a National Memorial to the author of the Declaration of Independence and as a Patriotic Shrine for the Children of America.

Contributions for the preservation of Monticello may be sent direct to the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation National Headquarters, 115 Broadway, New York City. Names of all contributors will be enrolled in the Nation's Birthday Book.

KILLINGSWORTH AND COX STORE ASSET TO CITY

A well-equipped hardware store is a valuable asset to any community, and strange to say, this very important business is one of the hardest kind to build up. There is no flash-in-the-pan prosperity to a hardware store; no quick turn-over, and big clean up, as there are in so many other kinds of business. The hardware business rather represents a slow and steady growth, which after becoming firmly established, is one of the most substantial concerns in the city.

Such has been the history of Killingsworth-Cox & Co., on Main street, and one of Ranger's foremost busi-

Green Ensemble



Very smart is this green plaid suede collar, cuffs and belt ensemble for the tailor.



—Photo by Kinberg
J. T. KILLINGSWORTH

ness establishments surviving the depression. To a person following the fluctuating history of Ranger during the last eight or nine years, it is interesting to note how many competitive firms have opened up in the city, flourished a while, and then "folded their tents like the Arabs and as silently stole away." But during it all, whether boom or panic or just ordinary business conditions, Killingsworth-Cox & Co. have forged steadily forward, until it is today recognized as foremost among the leading industries of the country.

Opened in 1918, the store was opened in 1918, under the firm name of Jones-Cox & Co., but later the name was changed when J. T. Killingsworth, partner and manager, took charge. He has been connected with the firm for more than 20 years, and during his

residence in Ranger he has become firmly established in the business life of the city where he has many personal friendships, resulting from his splendid personality and kindness toward humanity, as well as countless customers, attracted to his store by his outstanding characteristics of honesty, courtesy and service. Every customer of Killingsworth-Cox knows that he will get value received for his money; absolutely high class merchandise at the minimum of price.

With the exception of groceries and clothing, one can find practically everything to supply his ordinary needs in this well-appointed store. It reminds one of the merchant who advertised that had "everything from a pin to an elephant." At any rate, Killingsworth-Cox sells everything from the most fragile of crystal to the heaviest of farm machinery.

Furniture
In the furniture department of the store there is displayed complete lines of home furnishings in all the popular woods, mahogany, cireassian, and oak, with ranges and refrigerators, Wilton, velvet and Brussels carpets, congleum rugs, porch and lawn furniture, hammocks and swings.

For the summer tourist or camper there is a wide selection of equipment including camp stoves, folding tables and chairs, cooking utensils, refrigerator boxes and baskets, lanterns, axes and fishing tackle.

There are also dishes and silverware, electrical devices of all kinds, from curling irons to washing machines, lawn mowers and garden hose, thermos bottle and jugs, percolators, floor lamps, bird cages, beautifully framed pictures, in fact everything needed to add beauty and comfort to the home.

And in the hardware department, whether it be carpet tacks or machinery for the farm or oil fields, wide selections are offered by this high-class, well-equipped, and reasonably-priced store.

And completing the service of this business house to the public of Ranger and surrounding territory, Killingsworth-Cox & Co. maintains a

high class undertaking department, in charge of an embalmer of many years experience. A complete line of funeral goods is carried, and the company also has a chapel and a handsome limousine ambulance. It can therefore be readily seen that Killingsworth-Cox & Co. is the best all-round store in Ranger—the one place where the greatest variety of necessities can be found and the widest choice of commodities offered. Such stores as this is the explanation of why Ranger has forged so far ahead in the oil belt section of the state, and is recognized as one of the best little cities in West Texas.

Salt has a very agreeable taste in hot weather if a stein of beer is added to half a teaspoonful.

Women Who "Go On Their Nerves" Are Now Finding Relief

"Female Troubles," Found to Be Caused by Dreaded Malady—Catarrh—Are Being Corrected Quickly Now.

An eminent writer on medical subjects recently stated that the rate of deaths from nervous causes had increased more than 20 times in the last 60 years and that, in a number of the larger centers of population, one-fourth of all deaths were caused by nervous disorders. It's the strain of modern conditions which is too much for frail, undernourished women.

"The underlying cause of most of this nervousness, pain and sickness among women," says the representative of the discoverers of St. Joseph's G. F. P., the phenomenal medicine now being introduced with such startling success to the women and girls of this country, "has now been proven to be catarrh of the female generative organs, a dreaded disease which is the result of colds, over-exertion or exposure on the delicate mucous lining of women's most important bodily organs. When neglected this malady spreads itself to other parts of the system, resulting in a general drain which keep women from building up nerve-force and energy fast enough to supply the demand of modern life."

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NEIGHBORS' WIVES



BEGIN HERE TODAY
John and Fay Milburn buy a home of their own shortly after their baby girl is born and the advertising agency in which John is partner and copy writer lands a new contract.

Among their acquaintances are: Noel and Vera Boyd, whose marriage is very "modern" and each of whom leaves the other to do as he pleases. Previous chapters told how:

Vera showed an interest in John, which he did not return, but which nevertheless aroused Fay's jealousy.

John, in love with his wife, but a romantic individual, was fascinated at meeting Nell Orme, of whom Pat Forbes, a friend of his, hints that she is having trouble with her husband.

Fay took the bay to visit her parents and, during her absence, John ran around a good deal with Pat Forbes, whose wild tendencies have aroused the suspicions of his wife.

When Fay returns, John tells her he had met an old-time school chum—Dorothy Francis, now an actress and, for all time's sake, had kissed her goodby. Fay is hurt and shows it and John decides not to tell her about a few escapades that were wilder.

Fay is always a little fearful that John will get into some kind of trouble, but John thinks she just doesn't understand him.

Mrs. Blodgett, a gossiping neighbor, tells Fay that John had come home drunk one night and had made a speech on the front lawn. John rages and Fay, who had meant to be stern with him, finds something comical in his resentment. She tells him to "be careful"—that she is afraid.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
(The names and situations in this story are fictitious.)

CHAPTER XXXVI
"Afraid of what?" he repeated.

"I don't know exactly what, John. I sometimes think that we're in danger—that circumstances are conspiring against us in some dreadful way."

"Oh, come now, Fay, that's being foolish."

"I suppose it is, but promise me you will be careful."

"Be careful of what?" he insisted.

"Of what you do outside. People can misunderstand and they can say things that will hurt us dreadfully. You shouldn't have created that scene on the front lawn with Pat Forbes. I would have been very mad with you for it if I hadn't got angrier at Mrs. Blodgett for telling me about it. I had all I could do to keep from telling her to mind her own business!"

This was a side of Fay that he had never seen before, he thought, this sudden fear like a mother's solicitude for a helpless child. It was because she had just returned from home, he reasoned, and was still feeling unusually tender toward him; under ordinary circumstances she probably would have been angry with him.

"Well," he said, lighting an after-dinner cigarette, "I'll admit it doesn't look very pretty to come home slightly plastered and go in for oratorical on the front lawn. But hang it, Fay, we've only got one life to live. A man's got to have a little fun once in a while."

"He can have it," she told him, "and still be circumspect about it."

He smiled sheepishly and said nothing, and thus the incident was closed.

Fay wondered if John was going to remember her birthday, which was only three days away. Two of the days slipped away and still John said nothing about it. She determined to keep quiet.

All unconsciously she was making of the thing a sort of test of John. If he forgot it would mean that he loved her less.

But on the morning of her birthday John, springing out of bed, woke her up with a slight snip on the arm.

"Come on, get up," he cried. "You're getting old. Twenty-five years—think of it—a quarter of a century!"

Fay pouted. "I thought you'd forgotten. Why didn't you say something about it before?"

"Surprise, my dear. And don't think I've forgotten your present, either. It'll be out this afternoon."

"Oh, what is it?"

"Never mind," he said mysteriously, and was adamant in the face of her pleadings to tell her what he had bought.

That afternoon it was delivered—a beautiful porcelain lamp, with parchment shade and mottled vase.

"It's lovely!" Fay gasped, when she had unwrapped it and hopped quickly to the phone.

"You old dear," she told John, "how did you ever pick out such a beauty? Now all we need is a new table to set it on and our living room will be complete."

"Now I'll tell you," John laughed. "Good night! I suppose if I bought you an unusually fine scarf or piece of tapestry you'd want me to get you

Sooner than let herself be pitied as Marian Forbes did, she would let John go—even though it broke her heart.

"I've got work to do, Logan and I'll be home about six." He lunged up, and Fay, feeling that he had been a trifle brusque, soothed her feelings by feasting her eyes on the new lamp.

Mr. Logan, she agreed with John, was good looking. Not exactly handsome, she told herself, but there was a charm about him which probably was enhanced by his perfect white teeth and the clean, freshly laundered look of him.

John mixed-cocktails. "We drink," he announced as he and Logan lifted their glasses, to my wife's birthday. I were unkindly, indeed, to say how many there have been."

"John!" Fay blushed rosily.

"Mrs. Milburn," and Logan paused with the glass at his lips, "no matter how many he said I'd think he was exaggerating."

Fay bowed and smiled. "There, John, take that."

"My friend Logan," said John, "has had experience with copy writers. He knows they deal only in superlatives."

"Your husband," Logan said to Fay, "is an artist at making facts seem fancies and fancies facts. He is by way of being a genius at it."

"I don't think I'd have told him, Mr. Logan. He doesn't deserve it."

"Here now, Fay," said John, setting his glass down, "don't put any doubts in Logan's mind. My best advertisement, you know, is my satisfied customers."

They sat down to dinner and Logan was charmingly attentive to Fay all during the meal. He seemed to be one of those men born with the gift to make themselves agreeable to attractive women, and John was stimulated by the thought that Fay was perhaps enjoying herself as she had not done in a long time.

The thought occurred to him that Fay would be happier if he would play the ballant a little oftener himself. He did toward other women, he reflected with a little pang of conscience. Then why not Fay?

But he wondered whether Logan himself was as flatteringly attentive when he was with his own wife.

At eleven o'clock Logan glanced at his watch and murmured something about going. John drove him to his hotel.

"You know, Milburn," he said, "you've got one of the most charming women for a wife I have ever known."

"Thanks," said John, and laughed. "I like her pretty well myself."

"You'd be a fool if you didn't. Don't ever let me hear of your neglecting her."

John dropped his hat at his hotel a few minutes later and then drove home in a reverie.

"Must show Fay more attention. Women make more out of trifles—Yep, I guess I owe it to her."

"Martha Booth called me up today, John," Fay said the next evening.

"Yeah?"

"She makes me tired," Fay's tone was sharp, and John tired a little uneasily. At first the mention of Martha Booth's name had meant nothing, but now it came back to him that she had seen him with Dorothy Francis. He thanked his lucky stars that he had told Fay about it first. Humorously, he recalled that Pat Forbes deigned it as "beating the wife to the punch."

He said, "Well, I can't get and at you for that. She makes me tired, too. What's she done now?"

"Oh, she mentioned that she had seen you once while I was away, and when I was so inebriated as not to ask where she brought out—quite casually, you understand—that you were with a charming girl whom you failed to introduce." Fay's voice was tinged heavily with sarcasm.

"That was Dorothy Francis," said John. "Did you tell her?"

"I said, Yes, John told me. That must have been Dorothy Francis."

"Atta girl," John applauded. "How did Martha like that? Bet she seemed disappointed, eh?"

A lovely little scowl creased Fay's forehead. "I'd like to be able to understand the mental machinery of people who think it's their duty to take care of other people's business."

John laughed. "I didn't know you



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went in for psychology, dear." He snapped his fingers. "That's for Martha Booth."

A thoughtful silence descended on her. "Come, honey," he said, catching hold of her hand, "what's the matter?"

"Oh, I was just thinking."

"Bout what?"

She regarded him gravely with her dark, wide-set eyes. "Oh, noth'g."

To most wives comes a time when they stop to ponder upon the vagaries of men. Usually at such times they come to the reluctant conclusion that their own husbands were really more satisfactory as sweet-hearts.

Fay once had heard Paul Davidson, the cynical, say, "When a woman gains a husband, she loses a lover. You don't believe me? Well, I tell you that the greatest revelation of husband psychology is expressed in the time-honored joke: 'That wasn't a lady; that was my wife.'"

Judith was cross with fretting, and, as Fay sat beside her little bed, watching the child stir fitfully in her sleep, she felt strangely alone. She was troubled about John. She knew that he was inherently clean and fine, but still, she thought, with a little pang, he was not exactly the same John that he had been in the old days before their marriage. She knew that there would never be another man that she could love as she loved John; what worried her was the thought that perhaps John had not given as much as she, that to him, perhaps, there could be another some day.

Rising, she went downstairs, thinking as she went of Marian Forbes and pitying her. Thinking that sooner than let her own self be pitied as Marian Forbes did, she would let John go—even though it smashed her heart.

(To Be Continued)

BEDFORD NEWS

Special Correspondence.

BEDFORD, June 24.—Mrs. H. L. Hutchison of Roanoke, Va., is here for an extended visit with her cousin, Mrs. R. W. Smith.

Miss Dona and Dora Matthews, who are attending summer session at Simmons, were home for the weekend.

A large crowd attended the Ferguson speaking Saturday afternoon in Cisco. Everybody is strong for "ma" in this neck of the woods.

Miss Evelyn and Elizabeth Spruill attended the party in Yellow Mound community Saturday night.

Mrs. W. C. Vance and children are in Abilene to see Mrs. Carry McKinney.

There was a singing at R. W. Smith's home Sunday evening.

Over 4,000,000 American Homes Now Have Canaries



The Government has never taken a census of the number of canary birds in the United States at any one time, but there are ways by which we can reach a rough estimate of our feathered pet population. It is surprisingly high. The United Canary Breeders of America believe that in 1925 1,000,000 birds were bought by Americans. Allowing conservatively for an average life-time of four years, and for the breeding of approximately 250,000 birds which never come into the commercial market, we can legitimately assume that there are between four and five million canaries in American homes to-day.

Despite the popularity of canaries, their owners are often ignorant of certain points in their care. Here are some valuable "don'ts" offered by experienced breeders:

Don't hang the cage in a window in cool weather. Canaries are extremely susceptible to drafts.

Don't hang the cage in direct sunlight in hot weather. Hot sun rays cause heat trouble in the bird. If you want to put the bird in the sun, use a cage with a solid roof. Don't forget to change seed and water every day; to keep the drinking cup clean; and to give the bird a piece of lettuce or apple on other green food every second day.

Don't neglect the artistic value of bird and cage as a home decoration. Cages of hues as varied as the rainbow are seen in the 1926 canary fashions. Pyralin complete with brasses and the cage material; and by using the Duro color dyes in American homes to-day.

Don't overlook the fact that by breeding your own birds you can discover a new and amusing pastime and can make in a couple of years several hundred dollars a year pocket money.

Miss Lillian Spruill was the weekend guest of Miss Victoria Ross of Cisco.

Friends of this community express congratulations to Buddie White and his recent bride, Miss Lucy Manning, of Cisco.

W. C. Vance has returned from Amarillo where he paid his brother, Harry Vance, a short visit.

The Spruill twins were in Breckenridge Sunday.

STOP

Don't pay rent! Let the Building and Loan Association assist you to get a home. What is the difference? In a few years you will own the home free of debt, and if you rent the landlord will have your money and own the home, too.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, 107 South Austin street, phone 327.—(Adv.)

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Funeral Directors, Embalmers
Years of Experience
KILLINGSWORTH, COX & CO.
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FORWARDING
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For Ladies and Gentlemen
—A hearty welcome waits you
—Service, Courtesy, Sanitation
our motto.
—Only skilled barbers employed.
Basement Gholson Hotel—Ranger

M-A-T-T-R-E-S-S-E-S
RENOVATED
One Day Service
Ranger Steam Laundry
Phone 236

We Receive Fresh Candy Daily at the
Fountain Confectionery
Bulk Chocolates Our Specialty
Lamb Theatre Bldg. Ranger

POLITICAL Announcements
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For Court of Civil Appeals:
GEORGE L. DAVENPORT
For County and District Attorney:
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B. D. SHROPSHIRE.
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ED. HATTEN.
For Sheriff of Eastland County:
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JOHN S. HART.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:
V. V. COOPER,
T. E. CASTLEBERRY
For County Tax Assessor:
W. J. (Bill) HERRINGTON,
GEORGE BRYANT.
For County Clerk:
R. L. JONES,
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For County Tax Collector:
CLARENCE A. LOVE,
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County Judge, Commissioners' Court:
OSCAR F. CHASTAIN
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The Old Standard Remedy for Chills and Malaria
Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic
60c.

COME BACK AGAIN

HUNDREDS OF CUSTOMERS came in yesterday and bought hundreds of dollars worth of merchandise at a real saving. We want them to come back again and we want you to come to our BIG

ANNUAL MID-SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

And participate in the Great Savings. Every item in this BIG Stock on Sale!

WE THANK YOU

For making the first day a big success and the fact that no one asked us to break the rule of selling for cash only during this sale. Prices have been cut so low that we must sell for cash only during the sale.

SEE OUR BIG AD IN FRIDAY'S PAPER

J. M. WHITE & CO.

"We Show the New Things First"
Ranger, Texas

Novel Night Cap

A filmy night cap of silk mesh veiling especially designed to hold the waved bob in place.

Buy it by the case!

Keep a few bottles on ice at home. Nothing like it after housework or play. And for your guests a pleasant surprise.

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Not A M and M—but THE M and M
WE PAINT AND TOP YOUR CAR CHEAPER THAN YOU CAN YOURSELF!

And it stands up longer than the factory job does!
HOW DO WE DO IT?
The M and M. wants to show you!
—EASTLAND—

IN THE COURTS.

Warranty deeds: A. C. Evans et ux. to S. L. Cook et ux., lots 2 and 3, subdivision of lot 2, block C, Cisco; consideration, \$600.

LODGE NOTICES

Called Convocation R. A. M. 394, Friday night 8:30 p. m., June 25, for purpose of work in M. M. and P. M. degrees. All members urged to be present.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Position by high school graduate; office work preferred. Can do typing and short hand. Phone 247-W, Ranger.

SPECIAL NOTICES

HAVE VERY ATTRACTIVE selling proposition which is nationally advertised to offer man or lady of Eastland County. Address H. Crisman, box 237, Eastland.

RANGER VETERINARY HOSPITAL For small animals. All domestic animals treated according to the latest science. Dogs clipped; also dogs boarded. Phone 206, Ranger.

DO YOU KNOW how many filling stations there are in Ranger? Then you may know those that give satisfaction and service and are at all times courteous to patrons. People nowadays don't buy service—that's the reason we give it. When you are out of gas or oil—you're "in dutch"; then go to DUTCH'S SERVICE STATION. We strive to satisfy. 500 Strawn Highway—at the second bend of the road—Ranger.

WANTED—To haul gravel or chat; reasonable rate. W. W. Needham, DeGroff hotel, phone 130, Ranger.

PILES CURED—No knife, no pain, no detention from work. Dr. E. E. Cockrell, rectal and skin specialist of Abilene will be in Ranger at the Cholson Hotel every Thursday from 12:30 to 5:30 p. m.

IS YOUR home decorated with the best of art obtainable? It isn't unless you have several pieces of our works. We make the picture, you paint it. 136 different designs. 520 Strawn road. R. C. Carville, prop.

SECONDHAND goods bought and sold. 209 N. Austin st., Ranger. W. H. Trescott.

ROGERS BROS. TAILORING CO.—Suits cleaned and pressed \$1.00; ladies' dresses \$1.00 and up. The best for less. Phone 541.

FURNITURE refinished, repaired, upholstering, stoves fixed. Rob Lee, 116 N. Austin, Ranger, formerly with Tharpe Furniture Co.

EXPERT attention to your permanent wave. Shampoo 50c, wave set 50c, hot oil treatment 75c. Look for the sign across street, from postoffice. Mrs. Turner's Beauty Shop, Ranger.

PROTECT your health with good water. Phone 609-R, Ranger. W. H. Smith.

MARCELL, 50c. For appointment phone 550, 214 N. Marston st., Ranger.

ROOMS FOR RENT

ROOMS for rent in private home; \$2 per week. Apply 431 N. Marston st., Ranger.

HOUSES FOR RENT

MODERN HOUSE FOR RENT—Inquire 706 S. Austin street, Ranger.

FOR RENT—California bungalow. See J. Andrews at 605 S. Dixie, or call 256-W, Eastland.

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

TWO ROOM furnished apartments. Marion Apartments, phone 439, Ranger.

WANTED TO BUY

SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right prices. Main Street Second-Hand Store, 530 Main st., Ranger. Phone 95.

HOUSES FOR SALE

BARGAIN—Two nice residences in Young addition; cheap if sold at once. See owner at Bankhead Highway garage, Ranger.

AUTOMOBILES

AUTO SALVAGE CO.—A million auto parts, new and used; wholesale and retail. 502 Melvin st. Phone 196, Ranger.

USED TIRES—All sizes, makes and prices. Green Filling Station, Eastland, Texas.

WHY PUT new parts on old cars? "We tear 'em up and sell the pieces." Ranger Auto Wrecking Co., 422-24 N. Rusk st., Ranger. Phone 84.

FORD Coupe, late 1924, \$300; shock absorbers, Goodyear tires; motor in good shape. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

HUPMOBILE Touring, 1924, in A-1 shape all over. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

HUDSON Touring—A special price on this one. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

FORD Coupe, 1925, with tool rack; deck will be changed if desired; a bargain at \$325. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

FORD Roadster; balloon tires; good rubber, new top just painted, \$150. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

STUDEBAKER Light Touring, 1923 model in excellent shape; name your price. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

DODGE Touring, 1923. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

FORD Touring, 1925 model. Sivalis Motor Co., Ranger.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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Mon'n Pop



By Taylor

COURTESY AND QUALITY ARE ATTRIBUTES OF THE JOSEPH DRY GOODS STORE

Reliability and Quality of Merchandise Sold Are Insured The Purchasers

Most of the shopping in America, according to statistics, is done by the womenfolk, and women ask but three things of the stores where they do their purchasing. Those three things are, first of all, courtesy; second, quality merchandise, and third, the right kind of price.

It is perhaps because of this human characteristic that the Joseph Dry Goods company is so successful, for no where in the oil field section, or in the state for that matter, will the shopper receive more gratifying attention than in this splendid store.

Second, in the matter of quality, it can be truthfully said that Ranger women need look no further in buying their goods, than the Joseph Dry Goods company. Buyers for the store keep in touch with the Eastern markets, and the newest and highest class clothing and materials find their way to this progressive store.

And in the third matter of price, this store has established itself still further by its policy of accepting a small margin of profit in order to give to its customers the very fullest of values for the minimum of investment.

In appearance this store might well compare with the foremost establishments of much larger cities. Traveling salesmen declare it is the outstanding dry goods company between Fort Worth and El Paso, with

its large, plate glass, and nicely decorated windows; its spacious interior with well appointed show cases, counters and shelves where stocks are admirably displayed, and its popular balcony were bargains, as well as beauty, are found. The beauty parlor is one of the foremost features of Joseph's and Ranger women find there the most satisfactory work that expert operators can give.

The company is owned by D. Joseph and A. Williams, two pleasant and likable gentlemen and substantial citizens. Mr. Joseph was born at Mt. Lebanon, in Syria, about 40 years ago, and came to America in 1904. He started in business at Walnut Ridge, Ark., and later went to Healdton, Okla., where he formed a partnership with Mr. Williams.

Developed In 1919 they came to Ranger and bought the stock of a small store, 18 by 50 feet in dimensions, in back of the Ranger State bank building. They remained in that location until December, 1920, when they moved to their present location on Main street.

Mr. Williams was born in Syria and came to America in 1904, locating in Piedmont, Mo., where he started in business. He is a 32nd degree Mason, and Shriner, and is personally one of the most attractive and congenial men in the city.

The partners take an active part in all civic affairs, belonging to the Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants Association, and otherwise identifying themselves with the welfare and advancement of the community. They have a personal magnetism that attracts friends, and an upright business policy that retains customers. Both in a personal and business way they rank among the most prominent, popular and successful of Ranger's leading citizens.

You Hate to Look At a Pimply Face

There is perhaps nothing more distressing to people who are bothered with them, and surely nothing as displeasing to others who see them, as pimples, blotches, bumps, rash, scurf, eczema, "breaking out" and similar skin disfigurements.

But now that Black and White Ointment, and Skin Soap, are proving to be so dependable in quickly getting rid of these diseases of the skin, it seems foolish for people to neglect using them and making themselves attractive to others instead of being slighted all the time.

All dealers have Black and White Ointment, and Skin Soap, in the convenient, low-priced, liberal packages. The 50c size Ointment contains three times as much as the liberal 25c size.

Adv.

FOR SALE: Brand New Chevrolet Coupe I WANT TO SELL IT BAD! Nath Pirkle QUICK SERVICE GARAGE Phone 23

GLOBE FEATURES CORRECT STYLES IN ALL LINES OF MEN'S WEARING APPAREL

Personnel Of Firm Attracts Trade To This Particular Store

There is always, in every community, certain business concerns that seem destined to prosper, from the very first day of their opening, and in Ranger such a firm is The Globe, Inc., featuring correct styles for

as did most of the business firms of this section, The Globe has gone forward with such rapid strides it can hardly be recognized as the "little clothing store that was opened here at the height of the boom. The original owner was Mr. Perlstein, who formerly lived in Tucuman, N. M., in the clothing business, and later was department manager for a big store in El Paso, but he displayed his rare business judgment by recognizing in Ranger a city offering exceptional opportunity to a hustling merchant and a real, high-class store, so with a small but well-selected stock he opened the business on Austin street in 1919.

Personnel Mr. Perlstein, who is president of the company, was born in Germany, but in 1902 he came to America, and



SAUL PERLSTEIN

men, which has taken its place in the last seven years, as one of the foremost companies in the oil belt section.

The Globe has long been the authority in Ranger on what the well dressed man should wear, for there is nothing in the ample stocks of this splendid store except the most modern and fashionable, as well as comfortable and reasonable clothing that could be found any where between

terring the clothing business, and he has enjoyed a steadily increasing prosperity ever since. He is now making an extensive trip abroad, having left early in the month for Europe, where he will visit relatives and friends.

He is recognized as one of the outstanding business men of the city and enjoys an enviable personal popularity. He is a member of the Masonic order, Shrine, Lions, Elks, and civic organizations. His business ability can best be attested by the fact that he soon outgrew the little store which he established in such a limited way at the beginning of the boom, and took in as his partner, after the war, Mr. Krause who is now the company's vice president.

This capable young business man was born in Halle, Saxony, in 1903, and at the age of 13 he came to America, joining relatives in Las Vegas, N. M. He entered the public schools, making his own way by assisting his uncle in business, later becoming manager of the store. He retained this position until America entered the war when he enlisted in the service of his adopted country. Faithfully following his military duties until the war was over and he received his discharge, he then came to Ranger, joining Mr. Perlstein in the clothing business.

Under the management of two such efficient executives, it is not surprising that The Globe continued to grow until still another partner was admitted to the firm. This third member of the popular trio was Mr. Bendix, who like his two partners made an immediate and favorable impression on Ranger people. He has been with the company since 1922 and acts as secretary and treasurer. The company was incorporated at the time Mr. Bendix entered the firm.

Small Way Although it started in a small way, As were his associates, Mr. Ben-



MORRIS BENDIX

dix was also born in Germany, but in 1902 he came to the United States, entering the general merchandise business in Las Vegas. He remained in this business until The Globe was expanded and his connections here established. Mr. Bendix is a Mason, Shriner and Elk.

Enlarged During the years of its steady growth The Globe has constantly enlarged and improved, and the building it occupies is said to be one of the finest in West Texas. It has a handsome front, installed at a cost of \$2,000, giving a pretentious appearance to the building and enhancing the whole block. The heavy, well-polished plate glass windows form an appropriate setting for the display of merchandise such as the store carries. The store has always carried a stock to meet the demands of a most exacting trade. Handsome new wall cases and show cases in the well arranged interior assist in the proper handling of the high class lines of clothing shown. In every way, both from the viewpoint of appearance and stocks, courtesy, and business policy, The Globe can easily rival any of the big city stores in Texas. The company's motto is "Fair and Courteous Treatment to Everybody." The policy of giving personal service, good merchandise and one price to all is one of the secrets of the company's success.

The three owners, all prominent and popular men, rank foremost among the leading business interests of the city, are active in all civic matters, and contribute to their utmost in the development of the town in which they so wisely placed their confidence.

FARMERS IN EASTLAND COUNTY DEMONSTRATE FARM DIVERSIFICATION

Crenshaw, Starr And Few Others Tell Story How It Can Be Done

By CAPT. W. H. SCOTT

That Eastland county can quickly be put upon a self-sustaining basis and produce all the requirements for the average home, is shown by the investigations made recently by R. H. Bush, Eastland county agent, who said that the numbers of farmers who are using their farms to produce all they need for home consumption, except coffee and sugar, are increasing every year.

One of the most typical cases is that of J. J. Crenshaw, who lives near Gorman. Crenshaw is married and has several children. His story of how he is making farming pay can be followed by any farmer who will develop his farm upon business lines, and carry all the profit making features of farm life.

Mr. Crenshaw originally had a farm of 80 acres but sold off parts of the land until he now has 38 acres all of which is under intensive cultivation. Last year he planted two acres of water melons for which he realized \$300. One acre of sweet corn realized \$50, and five acres of cotton which was not planted under any scheme, but just as a side line also netted \$350. On top of this he has a five acre orchard, peaches, 250 hens, two cows, hogs enough for his own meat and a surplus to sell.

At the end of the year Crenshaw banked \$1000 clear profit. The cellar was full of fruit and canned stuff, and all he had to buy was wheat bread flour, coffee and sugar.

Starr Makes Big Money The story of W. B. Starr and how he has managed to bring up a large family of eight boys and one girl on his farm is like that of the pioneers of old Starr is a worker and his sons are workers for the common good of all the family.

Starr has 320 acres of land south west of Cisco and on part of the land runs one of the finest herds of Hol-

stein in the county. One cow in his herd entered in the county dairy contest produced 72 pounds of milk per day and is milked three times a day. There is also a herd of prize Hampshire hogs. These are fattened on the refuse of the sweet potato patch and garden.

Big Sweet Potato Crop Last year Starr planted 42 acres of sweet potatoes which averaged 60 bushels to the acre, and after they had been graded were sold for 4 cents per pound. This year he planted ten more acres which makes 52 acres for 1926. He has his own sweet potato curing plant and cures 4000 bushels per year.

There was also five acres of sweet clover which at the time of cutting stood over three feet high and this acreage will also be largely increased this year.

The farm also will carry five to ten acres of melons and cantelopes and about two acres of tomatoes. This with the feed stuffs planted for the cattle are only a small part of what the farm yields and this year he has planted several acres of peanuts added another two acres of young trees to the orchard and an acre to his kitchen garden. Starr does not grow any cotton and declared that he would not foot with it. The farm is fenced and cross fenced and fully hog proof.

A Fortune in Two Years Switching off to a different line on what can be accomplished with hard work, and the grit to stick at it, the rise of F. M. Sperler is more than commendable.

Sperler was a driller that stayed in Eastland after the boom passed with the oil and after scraping some money together gathered around him 300 chickens which he kept on the side going to work at his drilling when it was to be had. One day Sperler went to the chamber of commerce and told them he would like to go in for chicken raising in a big way and the members helped him buy his first incubator which was of 10,000 egg capacity. This was two years ago.

Last year Sperler bought 60 acres of land just outside of Eastland and increased the incubator plant to 20,000 capacity in which he hatches chicks for order.

He specializes in White Leghorn fowls and this year will have 800 of the finest stock in the country. He has built 6 poultry houses and has planted several acres of fruit trees, berries and peaches.

A Big Property The most remarkable part of the venture made by Sperler is that he has made good so fast that his whole plant and farm will be paid for next year. The incubator is worth over \$4000 alone and the outbuildings he has erected are also worth several thousand of dollars.

He has 20 acres of truck garden for feed, while onions grown on the place this year is some of the largest in the country. He also had a herd of fine cows while a few hogs also scratch around getting fat on the leavings.

Sperler also lives entirely on the products of his place except for sugar, coffee, and wheat flour. Briggs Takes a Side Line George Briggs, secretary of the chamber of commerce Eastland, is also making a fine thing on his 300 hens that he started with as a side line to his own work. These hens have already shown a profit of over \$150 per hen.

Briggs said that if they could get people interested in the chicken business as a vacation they would be more profitable than factories to Eastland county, as most of the stuff would be bought in town and all the money made in the business would also remain. Briggs has 800 young chickens and his hens will number over 600 by the end of the year.

C. C. ADVERTISING CO. IS A RANGER OWNED CONCERN

The C. C. Advertising company, which has for several years been operating in Ranger and surrounding towns throughout the oil field section, is managed locally by C. Caylor, one of the most industrious and popular men of the city. Mr. Caylor is always busy, and by strict application to his work, and earnest sincerity,



C. CAYLOR
—Photo by Kinberg

effort, he has built up one of the most successful business concerns of the city, and one that is also highly valuable to the community.

The mission of this company is to erect, within the city limits of every town where it operates the bill boards upon which national advertising is brought effectively to the attention of the public. These boards are not to be confused with road signs which are tacked miscellaneous to trees and fence posts along highways, or painted on rocks and barns, thereby obstructing the view and cluttering up the scenery. They are, instead, splendid and substantial structures, 11 feet high and 25 feet long, of uniform size throughout the United States. These boards are surrounded by green mouldings, and the posters which are placed upon them are the work of the leading commercial artists of the day. These posters are often a source of real education to the public and an asset to the community.

The C. C. Advertising company's clients number such firms as the manufacturers of Camel Cigarettes, Palmolive Soap, Good Gulf Gasoline, Wrigley Chewing Gum, and others of like importance.

The company is a member of the Poster Advertising Association, which operates in 13,000 towns in the United States and Canada, representing only the highest class of advertising, and affording an inexpensive medium for moving merchandise from the shelves of local stores, which in turn forms a means of distributing the products of big manufacturers.

With Ranger as its headquarters the company serves the towns of Strawn, Gordon, Mingus, Santo, Mill-sap, Palo Pinto and Caddo. It also maintains a commercial sign business in these towns for the accommodation of the local business men.

Mr. Caylor located in Ranger soon after completing his military service in the world war. He is a member of the Lions Club, American Legion and Chamber of Commerce, taking an active part in civic affairs, and establishing himself firmly and prominently in the business life of the city.

Connell Variety Store Is Pioneer Establishment

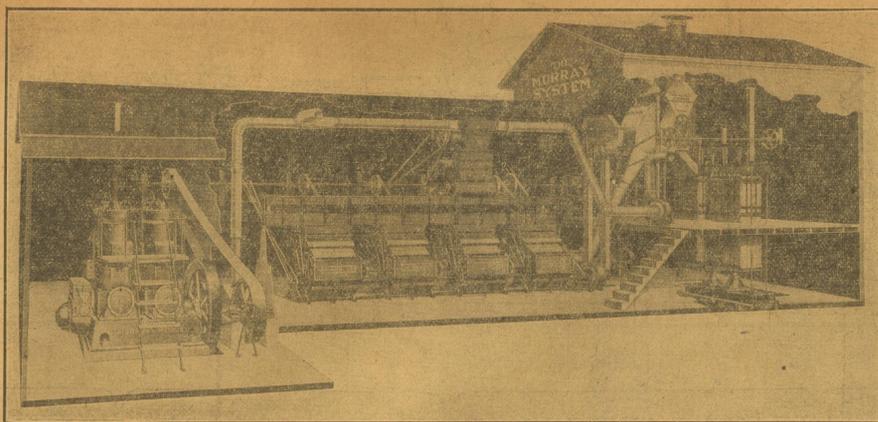


J. F. CONNELL
—Photo by Kinberg

The Connell Variety store is owned and operated by J. F. Connell who was born in Arkansas in 1877, receiving his schooling in Arkansas and in the Arkadelphia Baptist college.

Mr. Connell is a talented and trained vocalist and pianist. He was graduated in music in Dallas and Chicago and possesses a beautiful tenor voice. He has lived in Ranger since 1898, joining some friends who had formerly settled here and wrote him glowing stories about the opportunities of the west. He is therefore one of the pioneers of the sec-

Interior View of Pitcock's New Gin in Ranger



Keeping abreast with the times J. A. Pitcock, of Ranger has installed a new Murray gin at his plant on Wayland road, two blocks north of the Caddo highway. This gin, according to latest reports is the last word in ginning, and is the same except for a few improvements as the gins that ginned the cotton of Monte Adams, winner of last year's "more cotton on fewer acres" contest and 70 per cent of the other winners. It also ginned the cotton of McFarlane who won in 1924 and was placed third in high yield, as well as the second place man.

The Murray gin is a high speed loose roll, all steel air blast gin, and according to the manufacturers will gin most cotton in a given time, and make the largest turn-out of lint, also the best sample while traveling at the extraordinary speed of 700 revolutions per minute.

The gin is of all steel construction, so built that it cannot warp, swell,

rot or shrink, regardless of weather or foundation, while all the parts are interchangeable.

No Brush.
Further a factor that is different from other gins is that the Murray gin employs no brush, the lint being removed from the saws by the blast of air generated by the brush and not by the impingement of the brush upon the saws.

Every detail of the gin is designed for high speed, while the ribs are spaced close together, and the roll box is larger than any other gin made. The huller ribs being much longer, more cotton can be fed to the saws, and this heavy feed can be kept up without getting a tight roll.

The loose roll insures against napping or tearing the lint. This gives the farmer a larger turnout, because it takes all the lint from the seed. This feature, it was said, was in a measure responsible for the success

of the competitors in the cotton contest last year.

Moting System.
Another splendid feature of this gin is the moting system. The Murray notes by centrifugal force out of the air. The notes are thrown off the gin saws like water is thrown from a grindstone. Not only the notes, but leaf stems, hull shale, and other trash that would damage a sample is also conveyed from harm and thrown away.

With the Murray gin the cotton is taken from the wagon exactly as it is taken in any other system except that it cannot become choked, and has free passage throughout. Down the suction pipe it passes to the distributor, thence on to the separator. From the separator the cotton is handled by a steel belt distributor through the cleaning feeders and super-cleaners, which puts the cotton in perfect condition when it reaches the gin. Thence

on by an elevating system to the gins the cotton goes in as fast as it can be supplied in a uniform flow.

The saws run at 700 revolutions per minute and as the teeth pass through the maze of cotton in the gin breast the more lint brings out.

How It's Done.
From the gin the cotton passes through various stages of cleaning to the baler where it is all baled up, the whole thing being part of the one operation that starts with the cotton going into the gin.

The gin which is electrically driven will be managed by G. J. Laycock, while the contract for the building of the gin at the plant was carried out by T. O. Bray, Ranger contractor, who is supervised by a representative of the Murray company.

Ranger with this gin can boast of having the most up-to-date gin in West Texas, and that there is not a gin within many miles of Ranger that can compete with it.

WESTGATE TIRE AND BATTERY COMPANY'S SUCCESS PROVES FAITH AND WORK WILL WIN

Michigan and Texas Joined Hands in Building Up Good Business On Real Service

The Westgate Tire and Battery Company is owned by W. B. Westgate and John E. Barnes who are two of the most substantial and prominent business men in the city.

Mr. Westgate was born in Michigan and educated in Massachusetts. He was the son of a minister, which stores of the city.

ing the days of flush production the population of the town jumped to nearly 50,000, but as those familiar with the history of the city will know, when the depression came with its falling business firms and banks, the fairweather friends deserted the little town, and only a few of the more courageous and loyal souls remained to build a better and more substantial Ranger, as the town is today. One of these remaining boosters was W. B. Westgate, who never at any time failed the town in his confidence for its success, and instead of saying that Ranger would "come back," he always declared that it "didn't have to come back, for it is still here."



W. B. WESTGATE
—Photo by Kinberg

Probably explains the sweetness of his disposition and splendid qualities of his character. He is a figure of honor, honesty and integrity, of which any city might well be proud. He has a smile that is winning and inspiring, and a kindly nature that endears him to his many friends.

In the early part of 1922, Mr. Westgate started the Westgate Tire & Battery Company in a little building that was available in those congested times. And under his guidance the business grew and prospered until today it covers a floor space of 100 by 140 feet, with a storage capacity for seventy-five cars. The repair shop and battery departments are operated at the height of efficiency, and the service station is one of the most popular in town.

Mr. Westgate pinned his faith on Ranger at the time of boom and prosperity, but he did not waver in that faith when adversity came. During coming many years before the boom.

During his early residence here he taught school and music, and when oil was discovered he entered the drilling business. In 1921 he went in the variety business and has enjoyed ever increasing trade.

Mr. Connell has a wife, formerly Miss Luta Gilmer of Dallas, and a little son, J. F. Jr., 11 years old. He also has two grown daughters by a former marriage, the late Mrs. Connell having been a Ranger girl, Miss Rosa Barnes.

The Variety store is large, well-lighted, attractively arranged, and carries a splendid stock of merchandise. Under the capable management of Mr. Connell it has become one of the most successful and popular

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"Never, even in the face of the greatest discouragement, did I lose my belief in this little town," he says. "I have always believed in



JOHN E. BARNES
—Photo by Kinberg

Ranger, and my trust has been rewarded. It was a beautiful day when I first came here, and I thought the climate was ideal. That night I paid \$2 for the privilege of sleeping on the floor of a local hotel. And I was surprised to have that much space, with the town as crowded as it was then. The next day the famous rain of that period set in, and I packed my grip a dozen times to leave, but somehow the spirit of the thing held me, as it did thousands of others, and I remained, to become one of Ranger's foremost boosters. I have been rewarded for my confidence, for I believe Ranger to be the best and most interesting town I have ever seen."

Associated with Mr. Westgate in his business is his partner, John E. Barnes. The two men are wholly different types, for while Mr. Westgate is small in stature, Mr. Barnes is a typical West Texan, large of frame and big of spirit. No greater tribute can be paid to his courage than to say he was a deputy sheriff here during the boom days, a post hazardous few could be found to tackle it. On many occasions he bare-

CONNOR AND M'RAE AMONG LEADING LAWYERS OF WEST; DEVELOPED WITH OIL GAME

Foremost among the professional talent of Eastland County ranks the law firm of Connor and McRae, the capable and efficient partners who have firmly established themselves in the respect and esteem of Eastland people, and whose ability has attracted the attention of the whole oil field section.

Earl Connor has lived in Eastland more than 25 years. He was born in Ellis county but located early in life in Eastland, receiving his education in the public schools and later in the University of Texas.

Mr. Connor is one of Eastland's most public spirited citizens, contributing generously to all civic and charitable enterprises, and taking an active part in the welfare of the community. He is worshipful master in the Masonic lodge, and a member of the Shrine, the Elks Club and the Presbyterian church. His family consists of a wife and three children, and he owns one of the most beautiful homes in West Texas.

Judge John D. McRae was born and reared in Arkansas and educated in the public schools of that state, and the Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Va. He came to Texas in 1894, locating in Waxahatchie where he remained until the oil field of Eastland county was opened up in 1918.

At that time Judge McRae came to Eastland to represent oil interests, but he liked the city so well he decided to locate permanently.

When Judge McRae came here to represent his clients he needed the assistance of a local attorney, and after making careful inquiries as to a man of ability and integrity, he selected Mr. Connor and secured his assistance.

Firm Organized.
From this very satisfactory business association a staunch friendship arose, out of which grew a partnership that has proven mutually sat-

isfying. This big, good-natured, easy-going man has a ready smile that makes for unlimited friends. The photographs which accompany this article is typical of Mr. Barnes, for it shows him in his work clothes, as everybody knows him, and is typically characteristic of him and his unassuming, informal personality.

factory and successful, both to the firm and to the people of the county.

In a quiet, unostentatious way, Mr. Connor and Judge McRae have established a law firm that has been conspicuous in its successful handling of important cases, and its faithfulness and untiring efforts on behalf of its clients. With a reticence characteristic of their profession, and of themselves it is impossible to get them to discuss their success, but one has no difficulty in getting their many clients and friends to tell, in the most glowing praise, of their ability and achievement. They have handled cases in which hundreds of thousands of dollars were involved, and it is no exaggeration to say that throughout the whole oil field section there is no legal firm more able or more prominent than Connor and McRae.

According to the enthusiastic declaration of their acquaintances and associates, these partners are never vexed or peeved, but extend to the public as well as to their most intimate friends a pleasant business and personal contact that expresses their own splendid personalities. There is always perfect harmony in their office.

Third Taken in.
The partnership was formed on September 1, 1919, and during the ensuing years the business grew to a point where it was necessary to add another member to the firm. This member is G. G. Hazel, who became associated with Connor and McRae three years ago. Mr. Hazel was reared in Eastland county and completed his education in the University of Texas. He is prominent in both legal and political circles and formerly was county attorney of Eastland county.

Miss Marie Ticer started with the firm at the time of its organization as stenographer, and has been a valued employe ever since, now occupying the position of secretary and office manager. She is an efficient and charming young lady and has played a conspicuous part in the popularity of the firm.

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Stafford Drug Store Monument Man's Success

The Stafford Drug store is owned and managed by R. R. Stafford, one of the most distinguished and admirable characters that Ranger can boast. He was born in Florida, but early in his youth he came to Texas to join relatives here, and he has since been a loyal Texan. In 1880 he located in Columbus, Colorado county, and attended the public schools there while living with an uncle. After completing his education he took a position as bookkeeper and assistant cashier in his uncle's bank.

In 1901 Mr. Stafford went to Beaumont when the big oil boom struck there. He entered in the real estate and insurance business, which he followed for nearly 20 years. Again the spirit of adventure struck him when the oil field of Ranger

with the necessary business integrity to bring his new venture to a marked success. He found that the same business principles apply to a pharmacy as apply to real estate, insurance and banking. His methods have been successful and his store is popular.

The Stafford pharmacy is in the center of Main street, one of the most convenient points of the downtown section. It is well stocked with high class drugs, and special care is taken with all prescription work. Refreshing drinks are sold at the marble soda fountain, and the standard lines of cosmetics, perfumes, and toilet goods are attractive to the ladies of the city.

Mr. Stafford is possessed of a charming personality and a frankness of manner that commands admiration and respect. He has an unflinching courtesy and many characteristics that are reminiscent of the old south. He is a consistent booster for Ranger and expressed his confidence in the little oil city by remaining through the depression when thousands of less loyal citizens were moving away.

"We have showed our faith in Ranger, and have profited by it by remaining," Mr. Stafford says. "By all of us citizens working together, as we have so faithfully done in the last few years, we have seen our town return to its former prosperity, which, robbed of its boom spirit, has become far more substantial. It is the steady development of Ranger that we are striving for now, and I believe we can look forward to a city of ever increasing prosperity. Our future prospects are almost unlimited."



R. R. STAFFORD
—Photo by Kinberg

opened up, and bringing with him the experience of his former boom career, he located here several years ago, and became a permanent and active figure in the business life of the city. He was preceded here by his brother who operated two drug stores, one of which Mr. Stafford became manager of, and later owner. Although he had no previous experience in the drug business his many and varied previous enterprises equipped him

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DEMAND FOR BUICKS NECESSITATED ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE HOUSES BY THE SIVALLS MOTOR COMPANY

The Sivalls Motor Co., Inc., was organized in Ranger last August by J. T. Sivalls, who for seven or eight years has been a resident of Ranger in connection with Black, Sivalls and Bryson, tank company, an old and established concern of Bartlesville, Okla., which has a nation-wide business.

The Sivalls Motor Company was started for the purpose of furnishing Buick automobiles to the citizens of Eastland county, and the business met with such immediate success it was necessary to open a house in Cisco in the month of March, of this year, and also to install a representative at Eastland, in order to adequately handle the rapidly growing business.

Mr. Sivalls is president of the company, and manager of the Ranger house and his son, D. C. Sivalls, is vice president and manager of the Cisco house. The Eastland business is represented by Bobby Bates.

Frank King
The local service department is in charge of Frank King, who has been connected with the Buick business in Ranger for nearly seven years. He is a man of ability and sincerity and has proven a highly satisfactory adjunct to the business. He has a force of five skilled mechanics in the shop.

The salesmen of the local company are D. E. Woodell, who has been associated with Buick sales for the last six years, and J. C. Buckbee who formerly was with the Oilbelt Motor Company.

W. E. Wallace is office manager. He lived in Eastland during the boom but later went to New Orleans where he was branch stock superintendent of Ford Motor Company, before severing his connections and returning to Ranger last October. In speaking of the car he represents Mr. Wallace said:

Sold Allotments Three Times
"We have more than tripled our quota in Buick sales, as set down for us by the factory, which shows business conditions in Eastland county are highly satisfactory. In several instances our sales have equalled that of our neighboring cities, Dallas and Fort Worth."

"The popularity of the Buick, which has outsold all competitive models, is due, not only to the beautiful appearance of the car, which is of course, quite an asset, but to the decrease in price and the improvements made on the 1926 model. The price reductions ranged to as high as \$788 a car, without taking any of the quality out of the car."

"The 1926 model came out with what is known as a seal motor, the carburetor being sealed against dirt by having an air cleaner and gasoline filter. All oil going to the motor is cleaned by an oil purcolator. The Buick motor is the only motor built that will run continuously in a shower bath of water, all ignition parts being so sealed they cannot be affected by water."

Backs Every Car
"The policy of our firm is to back up the automobile with the very best service policy that we can give. All service is done in our own shop, which is adequately equipped to give a satisfactory mechanical job. This service is followed so closely that periodic mailing cards are sent to the customers reminding them of certain service work to be done, followed by personal calls when necessary. We are interested in seeing that the customer gets the maximum service from the Buick."

Mr. Sivalls is quite a character, not only in Eastland county, but throughout the country as well, for he traveled all over the United States visiting all the oil fields, during his many years association with the tank company. It is said he knows every oil man of note in America, and when ever any one of them happens to come through Ranger he always hunts Mr. Sivalls up for a friendly chat and visit. His popularity is not alone due to his wide acquaintance, but to his own expansive friendliness.



—Photo by Kinberg
J. T. SIVALLS

and appreciation for worth while human qualities. He is a big man, both spiritually and physically and has the fat man's proverbial jolly nature and philosophy of life. "I am too big to fight, and too fat to run, so I have to be good natured and make friends with everybody." His smile is as big as his heart and his many lovable characteristics have solidly established him with his customers, his friends, his business associates, his employees and his fellow citizens. His travels and wide experience, his contact with humanity, have all helped to give him a ready sympathy and understanding, which is expressed both in his business and personal life.

Although Mr. Sivalls has been in the oil fields of West Virginia, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and California, he looks upon Ranger as the most likely location of all, and thinks so much of the town he has chosen it for his permanent residence. He owns a beautiful home on Cypress street in the foothills of Hodges Park.

Youthful Veteran
Don Sivalls, who manages the Cisco house, has also been associated with the Black, Sivalls & Bryson company for the last 10 years, as the Texas and Oklahoma representative. He is about 23 years old, has many



—Photo by Kinberg
D. C. SIVALLS

friends in the oil field section, especially in Cisco where he and his wife are popular with the younger married set. The service department at Cisco is taken care of by a staff of four mechanics, with Jack Spiegel, formerly of Ranger, as service manager.

Bobby Bates, the Eastland representative, has been in this section since 1912, and was with the Oilbelt Motor Company, for four years,

two years of which he managed the Eastland branch. He has been with the Sivalls company ever since it started. He is a 32nd degree Mason, and Shriner, a member of the Elks lodge, and secretary and treasurer of the Eastland Lions Club. He and Mrs. Bates, who formerly was Miss Mary B. Campbell of Ranger, have bought a home in Eastland where they have located permanently.

Because of the outstanding merit of the car they sell, as well as the personal following of the owners and the popularity and efficiency of the employees, the Sivalls Motor Company Inc., in less than a year has taken its place as one of the most successful and well established concerns of the community, and gives promise of becoming one of the foremost motor companies in the oil field section.

Pennant Service Station Popular Place for Autoists



—Photo by Kinberg
C. P. SIMMONS

The Pennant Service Station at 201 North Austin street, has just recently celebrated its first birthday, and C. P. Simmons, the owner and manager, has completed a year's operation of the station which has rapidly achieved popularity and is recognized as one of the most successful in the city.

Mr. Simmons was born in Alabama, but spent most of his life in Southern California, in the Imperial Valley, where he was engaged in farming. After leaving this famous irrigated valley he made an extensive trip through the Northwest, seeking a new location. Back in 1918, Mr. Simmons made a trip through Texas, and stopped off at Ranger, just as the boom began. He was favorably impressed with the town at that time, and during the ensuing years he kept having a desire to return to the state and locate in the flourishing little oil town that had formerly attracted his attention.

It was in 1922 that he finally returned to the city, and began working for the Hagaman Refining Company's oil station, where he remained for nearly three years. Following this employment he had an opportunity to take over the station at Austin and Walnut streets, which has just been completed, and under the name of Pennant Service Station he has been conducting the business in a most satisfactory manner ever since.

Mr. Simmons is of a pleasant personality, characterized by sincerity, firmness, established him in the confidence and directness of purpose that has endeared him to the people. He has built his business on the foundation of service and quality, always handling only the very best of products that can be had, and giving the most courteous of service to his customers. He is assisted by three employees in the sale of General cord tires, Pennant gas and oil, and Vacuum Mobiloil. The station is large and attractively built, and conveniently arranged for rendering prompt and efficient service to the many customers who are regular patrons of the station.

Mr. Simmons declares that he likes the Ranger climate better than the famous climate of California, and that the people who live here are the best people on earth. That is, he chose Ranger as his permanent home. He is a home-owner, and has a family consisting of a wife and little daughter.

Veterinary Films Will Be Exhibited All Over Europe

Special Correspondence.
COLLEGE STATION, June 21.—A film of the school of veterinary medicine at the A. and M. College of Texas will be shown to European veterinarians within a few months. Dr. J. G. Horning, Houston, who attended the recent State Veterinary Medical Association convention at the college, screened the movie while here and will take it with him when he sails for the continent in August. He plans to show the film before veterinarians and medical societies of Europe. Scenes of Francis Hall and other buildings of the veterinary school are included in the film. Dr. Horning will also demonstrate endoscopic instruments, new devices for removing foreign objects from the lungs, trachea and stomach of dogs and cats.

Texas public utility power plants use more natural gas for fuel than those of any other state.

Ranger Furniture Exchange Leading Concern in Area

The Ranger Furniture Exchange was established in 1920 in a little building, 20 by 40 feet, on North Rusk street, with a capital of \$300. The original stock consisted of a limited amount of second hand furniture. And from this humble beginning has developed one of the city's foremost industries.

Mr. Brashier has been gradually



—Photo by Kinberg
COL. BRASHIER

enlarging his business and increasing his floor space until now the Furniture Exchange covers a space 6,250 square feet. Two complete store buildings, at 121-123 North Rusk street, are required to accommodate the large stocks. The frontage of the store is 50 feet, with all-glass windows permitting of the effective display of the large and handsome stocks.

On the showroom floors can be found mahogany and plus living room suites, inlaid walnut bedroom furniture, and many splendid selections of dining room furniture, Winton and Brussels rugs, linoleums, and all household necessities, as well as a wide variety of kitchen equipment are found in the ample stocks. The store carries everything that is high class, and reasonably priced.

Mr. Brashier was born in Mississippi in 1872, but he looks much



—Photo by Kinberg
F. B. BRASHIER

younger than his 54 years. He came to Ranger in 1908 and entered the general mercantile business, many years before the boom. After oil was discovered he entered the real estate business and met with signal success. Realizing that Ranger was a good town he remained through the depression and has emerged, as all the other substantial Ranger business men, into a well-established success.

His family consists of a wife, three sons and two daughters. One of the sons, F. B. Brashier, is his partner. The young Mr. Brashier is 30 years old, and was a member of the Marine Corps during the war. After his discharge he returned to Ranger and went into the oil field, dressing tools and drilling. Last year he bought out the interest of his brother, W. E. Brashier, becoming his father's business associate.

Both of the men are active in the civic life of the city, and because of their policy of fair dealing they have met with a marked success and deserve to expect continued prosperity.

Remedy to Kill Argentine Ants Is Recommended

WASHINGTON, June 22.—The Argentine ant is the household's most serious pest and often causes homes to be vacated, Uncle Sam tells housewives.

From Texas to the Atlantic the ant, in dark brown hordes, attacks gardens, ruins orchards, and swarms into houses. Introduced years ago on coffee ships arriving at New Orleans from Brazil and Argentine the ants have been distributed throughout southern states and in California. To keep the ants out of the house Uncle Sam advises that a barrier of tape, saturated in bichloride of mercury solution be put up at entrances. This tape can also be put around table legs, chair legs and as the ants climb upward they will be killed.

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TWO YOUNG KEEN BUSINESS MEN FOUNDED KEEN DRINKS THAT COOL THIRSTY PALATES

Southern Ice Company Bought Franchise For The Ranger District

The history of Keen drinks, manufactured and distributed locally by the Southern Ice & Utilities company, is one of interest as an example of how a pending business crisis was diverted into a conspicuous success.

The story begins back in 1921, when the price of sugar went to the bottom and caught a couple of young business men in Dallas facing an \$80,000 loss, which might have meant bankruptcy. The boys were engaged in the manufacture of flavoring syrups and concentrates for bottlers and fountains.

In order to avoid this great loss on sugar they decided they could break even by bottling their own syrups and selling carbonated beverages. So they put in a one-foot power machine and one Ford roadster for delivery purposes, and went to bottling Keen drinks.

The first summer they were in business—which was the summer of 1922—they achieved an immediate success, and their business has grown from that small start to a plant with five Dixie automatic bottling machines, with a capacity of 8,000 cases of soda water a day, and their drink was so well received by the people of Dallas, and went over so successfully without spectacular advertising, they thought it would be well to re-enter the syrup and concentrate business and sell franchise rights for Keen drinks.

28 Plants.
Since 1924 there have been 28 plants purchasing Keen franchises in Texas and Oklahoma, and every one of them report phenomenal success.

Last December the Southern Ice & Utilities company purchased the local Keen franchise, and have been operating the property under the name of Keen Bottling company, since Jan. 1. It was necessary to purchase considerable equipment, consisting of a Miller bottle washing machine, with a capacity of 2,400 bottles per hour; a Baltimore bottling machine; tinned copper storage tank for syrups; a copper kettle for cooking syrups; and a carload of bottles and carload of cases. This equipment was necessary in order to get ready to handle the business, and it cost something like \$7,500; but was required to manufacture the quality of beverages which the Keen Bottling company puts out.

The demand for Keen has grown to such an extent it was necessary to purchase a G. M. C. truck and a bed holding 75 cases to take care of Breckenridge alone. This in addition

to the two Reo speed wagons for use in other territories.

Keen drinks are unique in that they do not imitate anything except orange. Formulas for all drinks are on file with, and have been approved by the United States department of commerce, and it is not necessary to use the word "imitation" on any Keen crowns except orange.

Keen drinks are sweetened with pure sugar and colored with United States certified colors. Every bottle contains more than 175 calories of food value, which is more than is contained in two eggs, or a pint of milk, or a bread and butter sandwich. Ladies who are reducing their weight find it an excellent beverage, because it quenches the thirst and contains sufficient food value to afford sustenance on a very meagre supplementary diet.

Pure Sugar.
The words "sweetened with sugar" may not mean anything to the average layman but they are his guarantee that the beverage does not con-

tain saccharin. There is no particularly objection to saccharin except it is cheap, one pound of saccharin costing \$1.75, replacing 500 pounds of sugar at a cost of about \$35, and having no food value whatever. But every bottle of Keen drinks is guaranteed to be sweetened with pure sugar.

There are 16 flavors in the Keen family, but the Ranger plant is only carrying seven of these flavors, of which the Keen lime is probably the best hot weather drink. It is the original lime drink, or clear green color, thoroughly carbonated and has a pleasing flavor blended to satisfy the most fastidious palate.

Keen Amon derives its name from the almond nut, the extract of which is its principal flavor, supplemented by the bottle nut. It is an invigorating and refreshing drink and builds up tired nerves. In fact it is the Keen drink with a "kick" in it.

Keen Mustang is a grape flavor with a genuine mustang taste. Keen Orange has a flavor very much like that of the Sun-Kissed oranges of California. Keen Red is flavored with strawberry, loganberry and blackberry, while Keen Rootbeer and Keen Kream are both popular and refreshing.

The Keen Bottling company covers four counties, Eastland, Stephens, Erath and Palo Pinto. The plant is managed by Gus Coleman who has been director of the destiny of the Southern Ice & Utilities in Ranger since the beginning of the boom.

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ALLOTMENT OF CARS ARE ALREADY OVERSOLD; BOTH MEN ARE NATIVE TEXANS

The Oilbelt Motor company, with M. R. Newnham as owner and Charles J. Moore as manager, is one of the oldest and most successful automobile concerns in this section. The company operates three stores with Ranger as the headquarters, the other two houses being in Eastland and Breckenridge. This is said to be the largest automobile concern in West Texas, and dates back to the early boom days of 1919. During the seven years of its existence it has enjoyed an enviable record of achievement, and in the opinion of the management prospects in the oil field section are better now than they have been for several years. The company sells Studebaker and Chevrolet cars, and in discussing these automobiles, Mr. Moore said:

"The Studebaker is now putting out the best looking and most powerful car for the price that is on the market. Sales, and satisfied owners, show the Studebakers are still leading. Our standard six models have more horsepower than any of 36 other models of cars that sell from \$700 to \$2,000 more. Our big six models are excelled in horsepower by only seven American automobiles selling from \$2,000 to \$7,000 more.

One Profit Studebaker.
"No yearly change in model, and one-profit Studebakers make your investment worth more money in later years. We have all models on display in our salesrooms and welcome our friends at any time.

"The Chevrolet is fast coming to the front and it is our belief that it will soon be leading the world in the sale of automobiles. We are selling much more than our quota calls for and are beginning to write the check every day for more cars. The Chevrolet is coming out in six different models that are pleasing the people in every line and walk of life.

"The Chevrolet one-ton truck is known to be the most powerful and economic truck of its size on the market. We are happy to say that we are getting the big companies to using these trucks and can gladly recommend our buyers to any one who is driving them.

Fear of Prosperity.
"We are sure that this year has the most prosperous outlook of any we have ever enjoyed. We feel that Ranger is in the center of the most prosperous automobile market of any place in the whole country. Our farmers are going to have great crops and the big oil companies' payrolls will help us to deliver many cars this summer and fall.

"We are sure the more we deliver the more friends we will have to carry our message to other prospects and customers. I believe in Ranger because it is one of the greatest little towns in Texas, has the best people in the world, and as a place of residence, it is high and dry enough to be a health resort for anyone.

Good Building.
"We feel we have a building that that will rival the most successful companies in the larger neighboring cities, and our shops are the best mechanics available. We have made an expenditure of several thousand dollars for tools and equipment for service on the Studebaker and, one of our Chevrolet shops was installed by factory experts at a cost of more than \$4,000, with the latest improved machinery of all kinds to give our owners the best service that can be rendered.

"In our parts department we have over \$20,000 worth of parts and accessories, and we have just installed the latest improved washing machine. "Our used cars are all taken to our shops where they are re-tired and re-conditioned and usually painted, so that the next owner, after getting years of satisfactory use, will always return to us for their next used car."

Moore Dallas Product.
Mr. Moore was born in Dallas in 1894, and worked for the city of Dallas for seven years with the water department. He came here in September, 1920, as secretary and treasurer of the Ranger Water works, and helped to install the water system. Two or three years later he went in the real estate business, having charge of the rentals of the leading brick buildings of the city, including the Paramount building and hotel, Hodges-Neal building, Poe building, and of the property located on Pine and Rusk streets where the new business houses are now being completed. He was also representative of the Ranger interests of J. B. Cranfill of Dallas. He opened the Majestic theatre which he ran for eight months, featuring high class pictures and vaudeville.

In September, 1924, Mr. Moore took a position with Mr. Newnham, representing the company at Lamesa where he disposed of 80 used cars, returning here the following January. He sold Studebaker cars until the first of this year when he took over the management of the company.

Mr. Moore is a member of the Elks lodge, and recently was elected tail twister of the Lions club. He and Mrs. Moore own their own home and have made many friends in the city during their residence here.

Newnham Native of Stephens.
Mr. Newnham is one of the best known men in Eastland and surrounding counties. He is a native of this section, claiming Stephens county as his birthplace. He was brought up on a farm, and received his early education in Ranger public schools. Ambitious, but of limited means, he later worked his way through school and business college in Dallas, and after graduating took a position as book-

Pickering Came In Boom Time And Prospered

The Pickering Lumber Company, during the last few weeks, has been undergoing a series of improvements in keeping with the progress and expansion of this outstanding Ranger business firm. Among other things, the retail store room is being enlarged by the removal of private offices to the rear, so that additional window space and shelf room is available for the display of the company's splendid stocks. The place is being re-papered throughout. The warehouse is also being enlarged and re-arranged.

The company is one of a chain of fifty yards operating in Texas, Okla-



A. E. ECHOLS

home and Kansas, with the home office in Kansas City. In 1919 the Ranger yard was opened at the height of the boom, and from the first the company was prosperous deriving a big revenue from selling lumber for derricks and oil camps. The headquarters for the company at first was on Hunt street, but later they bought out the Clem Company on Railroad avenue to which they removed, and which is the present site of the business. The 400 feet of shed space is capable of sheltering 50,000 feet of lumber.

The company is efficiently managed in Ranger by A. E. Echols, who is a native of the Lone Star State. He was born in Delta county in 1889, and was brought up on a farm. He was educated in the high school at Enlow, and the East Texas Normal College at Commerce. At 18 he was teaching school, and at 22 he became a bookkeeper for the Cooper Cotton Oil Company, remaining with them for six years.

In 1919, Mr. Echols started in the lumber business as bookkeeper for the Clem Company, and later as manager of the rig yard. Following a 15-month service with them he went with the Barnes Company for six months, and then joined the Pickering forces as manager six years ago. At the time when Mr. Echols first took charge of the company it was a one-man proposition. He ran the whole business entirely by himself. But under his management the business has increased to ten times its former volume.

Mr. Echols is a man of charming personality, possessing a ready and sincere smile and an even disposition. His kindness extends to his

employees, business associates, and customers, as well as to his friends. He is a deacon of the Central Baptist Church, and a member of the Masons, Lions, Chamber of Commerce, and Retail Merchants Association, and takes an active part in civic affairs or anything pertaining to the advancement of Ranger. The last two years, he says, have seen a steady revival of business in Ranger, and he feels prospects were never better than they are now.

BANKHEAD STATION IS BUSY PLACE

The Bankhead Filling Station and Garage, at 219 Austin street, is owned and managed by W. H. Reese, one of the "old-timers" of the city. He was born in Columbus, Ga., in 1869, but at the age of 14 he located in Texas when his family moved here to make their home. He has remained here ever since, over a period of more than 43 years.

About 15 years ago the Reese family located on a farm near Granbury, and later were forced out of the drouth and came to Ranger to make their home. For twelve years Mr. Reese ran a grocery store on Main street, and at the beginning of the boom he sold out and erected the Bankhead Filling Station in 1919, on a corner which he had owned for many years. He began operating the station four years ago, having formerly rented it out.

Mr. Reese is prominently connected in the city and is well known through out the county. He has numerous friends, and his friends are his customers—or one might say his customers are his friends. For Mr. Reese has a way of doing business, which commands admiration and respect. He is modest, dependable, and faithful to all his acquaintances, so that he profits in both a personal, as well as business way in the garage and station which he has established. He has a well-equipped garage and maintains a good mechanical department.

Buenos Aires Furriers See Run On Shops

BUENOS AIRES.—Furriers in Buenos Aires are experiencing one of the biggest seasonal runs in several years, for the decree of fashion has made certain changes in the style of women's furs and the women of Buenos Aires follow fashion as closely as any of their sisters of other nations.

"There are half a million women in Buenos Aires who bought fur coats, without lighter collars and cuffs, last year," a prominent furrier told the United Press. "Now they are making a run on the fur shops, for the fashion demands collars and cuffs, and the Argentine woman takes an intense interest in being stylish."

Contrary to the general opinion in North America, furs in the Argentine are not cheap. The native furs are, but quality demands the same price here as in New York. The fur shops of Buenos Aires are completely stocked as any in the world.

Scotchman Beats Train In Record Run Thru England

What is said to be a motoring record for England and Scotland was set recently by J. D. S. Inglis, an Edinburgh motorist, when he beat the Aberdeen, according to the Edinburgh Scotsman of April 25.

"Leaving the Marble Arch, London, at 5 o'clock on Wednesday morning of last week in a Chrysler six-cylinder car," the report declared, "Mr. J. D. S. Inglis, an Edinburgh motorist, arrived at Aberdeen, 547 miles away, at 5:46 p. m. on the same day, having completed the drive in twelve and one-fourth hours actual running time, apart from certain necessary stoppages. The journey by rail takes between twelve and thirteen hours. The total stoppages were of only twelve minutes, mainly for the purpose of petrol replenishment."

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Millions Invested In This District To Supply The Demands

The Lone Star Gas company, which has its main office in Dallas and its West Texas headquarters in Ranger, is one of the largest concerns operating in the great oil and gas fields of Texas, and has interests in Eastland, Stephens and Shackelford counties, alone, which represent many millions of dollars' investment.

This company sells gas for domestic and industrial purposes at Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Hillsboro, Greenville, Paris, Bonham, Wichita Falls, and other towns of North and Northwest Texas and Oklahoma, and many compressor, or "booster" plants in operation throughout the territory.

Four of these plants are just outside the city limits of Ranger. These plants use the residue gas—that is the "dry" gas, after all the gasoline has been taken out—that the company buys from the local Chestnut & Smith, Phillips Petroleum, Barney Carter plant, Arab, Gulf, Consolidated and Kinnebrew casinghead gasoline companies, running pipe lines to each of these companies' various plants. At the time of purchase this gas has a pressure of 20 to 30 pounds, but it is put through the compressor plants which boosts it to 400 pounds main line pressure, a compression sufficient to deliver it to Fort Worth and Dallas.

Four Compressors.

There are four of these compressor plants in the Ranger vicinity, employing 90 people whose payroll of about \$12,000 a month adds to the city's revenue. In connection with the plants are well-equipped camps for the employes and their families. The houses are modern four-room frame bungalows, with all modern conveniences including gas, lights, water and plumbing. Surrounding each home is a beautiful lawn with flowers, attesting the appreciation which the people feel for such comfortable and highly desirable quarters.

The four plants operating at Ranger have a combined capacity of about 50,000,000 cubic feet of gas every 24 hours, and the compressor equipment consists of 35 C. & G. Cooper internal combustion gas engines, and one 320-horsepower Worthington engine. At Ixey the company also has 16 160-horsepower C. & G. Coopers, one 175-horsepower Clark, and seven 180-horsepower C. & G. Coopers, with a total capacity of 37,000,000 cubic feet of gas in 24 hours. The Breckenridge plant has 16 C. & G. Coopers, 180-horsepower, and delivers 25,000,000 cubic feet a day. The Caddo plant has the same equipment. The Desdemona plant has a 160-horsepower C. & G. Cooper, and a 9,000,000 delivery.

The company has two 18-inch pipe lines from the Ranger district into Dallas and Fort Worth, one of which was just completed, extending through Ranger from Breckenridge to Fort Worth, and laid at a cost of approximately \$4,000,000. And at this time a pipe line is being laid by the company from Amarillo to Wichita Falls, through Vernon, Quanah, Childress and Chillicothe.

The company is also engaged at this time in installing three Cooper units at Gordon.

In addition to its numerous booster plants and pipe lines in this territory, the Lone Star company are producers of gas and carry on drilling operations at Desdemona, Strawn and Breckenridge, and have a small oil production at Breckenridge and Strawn, which is sold to the closest oil pipe lines.

Gasoline plants are operated at Gordon, Brazos, Desdemona, Gainesville and Petrolia, which is just another phase of the company's extensive operations and widespread interests, extending throughout Texas and Oklahoma.

The company's West Texas headquarters in Ranger is in charge of S. M. Gamble, who is district superintendent of the compressor department. Mr. Gamble is a native of Alabama but has lived in Texas since 1908 and has been with the Lone Star company for eight years, both in Oklahoma and Texas. He is in charge of the company's warehouses in this district, which contain a tremendous investment in large pipes, fittings, and engine repair parts. A large crew of skilled mechanics is necessary to look after the company's repairs.

C. O. Byrne is pipe line superintendent of the Ranger district, and E. F. Schmidt of Dallas is general superintendent of the gas department.

The main office of the Lone Star company is located in Dallas in a handsome new building recently constructed of brick, concrete and stone, covering half a city block at the corner of Wood and Harwood streets. The building is four stories high and through its offices the details of this big industry's many business enterprises are carried on.

In charge of the company's affairs at the Dallas office is Mr. R. A. Crawford, vice president and manager. He is one of the prominent business men of the state upon whose shoulders rests the responsibility in a great measure of the conduct of one of the state's most stupendous industries.

F. L. Chase is vice president and operating manager. E. F. Schmidt is superintendent of the gas department, and B. L. Rogers is superintendent of the compressor department.

K. C. Jones Milling Company Ready For Bumper Crops

The K. C. Jones Milling company is on the verge of one of the most successful seasons of its history, due to the bumper grain crop now being cut. This is one of the biggest crops in the history of the country, and will enable the Jones mills to run to capacity.

Operating in Ranger for the last three years, under the management



K. C. JONES

of K. C. Jones, the mills have become one of the foremost business interests of the city. And it is a real hometown concern, for the flour, known as "Jones' Best," is made from the choicest wheat produced in the adjacent territory, and affording the farmers a ready and profitable market for their wheat. The grain is ground at a local mill, and sold at home, to the home people. There is no greater source of pride to the Ranger people who are interested in developing local industries, than the Jones mill.

During the last winter the mill installed additional machinery and equipment for the manufacture of a

new specialized line of balanced feeds for cattle and poultry. The cow feed was sold under the name of "Ranger Ho-Maid Dairy Feed," and the chicken feed under the title of "Ranger Chief Poultry Feeds."

"General business is good in this territory on account of the excellent feed crops and the splendid wheat showing of the country," Mr. Jones said. "And the chicken industry is constantly increasing in the Ranger territory. Our mill affords a market for the large amounts of maize and kaffir, raised in abundance in the county, and all grain raisers in this section can find an outlet for their crops at the K. C. Jones mills. It is the purpose of our mill to encourage the farmer by buying his grain, and the poultry raiser by selling feed."

Mr. Jones is a native of Stephenville, where he was born in 1886. He was educated in the old Stephenville college, now the John Tarleton, and the McIlhenny academy. He entered the milling business 10 years ago when he erected a flour mill at Strawn. He successfully operated this mill for seven years, when he de-

ceded to move to a larger location. Considering Ranger a good place to operate a mill he bought the McFarland grain elevator here and added the mill, bringing his machinery from the plant at Strawn.

"Many of the chicken farms of Eastland county are large, prosperous and famous, shipping eggs and poultry to the eastern markets," Mr. Jones said. "But it is the amateur

poultry raiser who is attracting attention right now. Many young business men of the community spend their time away from the office in the pleasant and profitable business of raising frycs for the market, and by the proper feeding they can obtain a big egg production, as well as getting their young chickens on the market in record time. It is for the purpose of serving these poultry men,

whether they operate on a large or small scale, that we introduced our chicken feed which we believe will be of much value for local needs. And we also strive to produce a dairy feed that will benefit the cattle raisers in the territory."

Mr. Jones is active in the business and civic life of the community.

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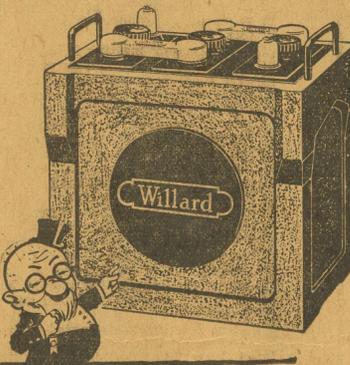
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FRIGIDAIRE REFRIGERATION SOLVES PROBLEM OF GROCER MARKET AND THE HOUSEHOLD

Oil Cities Electric Company Stands Back Of Every Machine

By WILLIAM GIFFORD CLEGG
A recent survey of grocery stores and meat markets of Ranger has shown that mechanical refrigeration as embodied in Frigidaire, a product of General Motors, is becoming very popular. In all the stores where these machines have been installed the owners are more than pleased with operation and temperatures secured in their freezer counters and meat coolers. Some of the advantages of Frigidaire are as follows:

Economy
Frigidaire is purchased on an easy payment plan and the merchant finds his payments, plus his current bill is practically the same as he pays for ice.

Frigidaire keeps a constant temperature in the ice box at any required degree and therefore helps in the preservation of food. There are no sloppy brine cans to remove every day and repack with ice and salt, nor ice drippage to empty from the meat coolers. In the household units an average temperature of about 10 to 15 degrees colder than the iced refrigerator is maintained.

One Ranger grocer advises he believes dry refrigeration is one of the greatest features of Frigidaire for he finds he can keep his cut meats in his freezer case over twice as long as he could with ice and salt, and this feature alone more than pays his electric bill.

Another feature of Frigidaire in this section is that it is sold and serviced by the Oil Cities Electric Company who stand back of every machine and guarantee service.

Following are a list of boosters for Frigidaire in Ranger who have it installed in their stores, are satisfied with its operation, and endorse its use: Shipp's Grocery, Mills Brothers grocery, Gholson Hotel, Adams and Company, Echols Self-Serving Grocery, Millers grocery, Jobe and Sons, and Rust and Hill.

Frigidaire for the household may be installed in the consumers own ice box, or may be purchased in complete units, the boxes ranging in size from five cubic feet storage space to 15 cubic feet storage space. In either case Frigidaire is sanitary to the last degree, and maintains a lower temperature than ice, which will always be lower than the standard set for proper refrigeration. It gives dry refrigeration which allows the user to keep all types of food in his box without an intermingling of tastes and odors, gives ample table ice for use in drinks, and will freeze luscious salads and deserts.

May's Insurance And Real Estate Agency Oldest

The oldest real estate firm in Ranger is owned by C. E. May whose residence in the city dates back many years before the boom. Mr. May was born in Eastland county 46 years ago, and in 1900 he came to Ranger from Gorman to complete his schooling. After graduating he taught school for a year, and then went into the drug business, which he followed for 18 years. He was still a druggist when the boom came, at which time he sold out and devoted his time exclusively to the real estate business, which had previously been a side line with him for some time.

In 1921 Mr. May added the insurance business to his real estate, and he now represents all lines of life and casualty insurance. Because of his wide experience in real estate extending over a period of 20 years, and the many friends and acquaintances which he has in the county, he has enjoyed an exceptional prosperity, and ranks among the business interests of Ranger.

Mr. May has been a Rotarian for five years, and is now secretary of the Ranger Rotary Club. He is also a member of the Masonic lodge and Shrine, Elks, Chamber of Commerce, and Child Welfare Association. His family consists of a wife and two children, a little son and daughter. He is now building a new home.

Mr. May's office is located at 214 Main street in one of the nicest buildings of the downtown section. Because of his splendid business ability and wide interest in civic matters he is a valued citizen of the community which he helped to build, many years before the discovery of oil brought countless thousands into Ranger in search of speedy wealth. And after the "boomers" had left, following the depression, C. E. May took his place along with the other loyal and substantial citizens who remained to bring Ranger out of chaos and establish it as one of the leading cities of the oil field section.

EAT RAW SAUERKRAUT AND LIVE TO BE 70!

BERLIN.—"Eat sauerkraut! It will cure you of all sorts of diseases, including tuberculosis, and if consumed regularly will enable you to reach the biblical age."

This is not a quotation from the advertisement of a sauerkraut manufacturer, but the opinion of Professor Hartmann of Heidenheim, famous German physician, who laid down the above maxims in a recent issue of the Munich Medical Weekly.

However, to assure efficacy, sauerkraut should be consumed raw. Cooking destroys its healing power. Hartmann, to strengthen his arguments, cites the late professor Metshnikoff, famous Russian physician, who claimed that in countries where raw sauerkraut forms an essential part of the daily diet, the greatest number of old people are to be found.

CITIZENS STATE BANK IS RANGER OWNED INSTITUTION AND SHOWS GROWTH BUILT ON SERVICE; HOUSEWRIGHT IS MANAGING HEAD

The Citizens State Bank was organized October 12, 1925, by a group of 36 prominent Ranger citizens who realized that Ranger is a two-bank town and that a second bank was needed in the community. As proof that their judgment was correct one needs only to point out that the capital stock of \$75,000 was raised in one day, and that on the opening day the deposits exceeded \$150,000, which have since steadily increased to nearly \$300,000.

The destiny of the institution was placed, for the most part, in the capable hands of W. W. Housewright, who during the two years of his residence in the city has established himself in the business life of Ranger, and has inspired the confidence of local people through his own outstanding ability and splendid personal characteristics. Mr. Housewright comes from one of the "First Families of Virginia." He is a descendant of a distinguished Welsh family which settled in Virginia in the early part of American history, and a branch of which locate in Texas shortly after the Civil War.

Native Texan
Mr. Housewright is a native Texan, born in Wylie, near Dallas, and educated in the public schools of the state. He was graduated from high school at the age of 16, and following a short business course he accepted a position in the First National bank of Temple, Okla. In 1908 he organized the Farmers State Bank of DeWol, Okla., which he operated at the age of 19.

In 1917, at the beginning of the war, Mr. Housewright severed his banking connections and enlisted in the service as a private. He was constantly promoted until he reached the rank of first lieutenant, and was recommended for a captaincy awaiting only the signature of adjutant on his application, at the time the Armistice was signed.

Following the war he returned to DeWol and organized the Oklahoma State bank in which he has three multi-millionaire partners, one of whom was P. P. Langford, president of the City National bank of Wichita Falls, and another E. Constantine of Tulsa.

Attracted
Attracted by the exceptional opportunity of Ranger, in 1924, Mr. Housewright became associated with the Ranger State bank, acting as vice president and manager until the organization of the Citizens State bank last fall.

Possessing the ability of a man many years his senior, gleaned from his more than 20 years experience in the banking business, together with the fresh, keen viewpoint of youth, Mr. Housewright has advanced far in his chosen career, and although only 37, he is recognized as foremost among the local business men. He belongs to the Masonic lodge and Shrine, American Legion and Rotary Club. He was a delegate to the recent rotarian convention in Denver.

Every employee of the Citizens State has had years of banking experience. Hall Walker is the cashier, bringing to the business a charming personality and wide experience, assisted by C. B. Pruitt, who comes from the Exchange National Bank of Eastland, and H. G. Davenport, who was assistant cashier of the People's State bank. Mrs. Susie Hunt, daughter of S. W. Bobo, a pioneer of this section, and formerly an employee of the Ranger State bank, is the exchange teller. B. Posey, formerly with the First State bank, a Rotarian for four years, is the bookkeeper, while Miss Ida Ward, who was with the Ranger State bank for two years, is private secretary to Mr. Housewright. O. D. Dillingham and F. G. Yonker, prominent local business men, are president and vice president. Every director, except one, has had years of experience as bank directors.

A directors' meeting is held at the bank every month, and every note of over \$500 is passed on by the discount committee before it is accepted. The bank occupies one of the handsomest buildings to be found in a town the size of Ranger, anywhere in the state. Visitors from Dallas, Fort Worth and elsewhere, upon entering the building for the first time, look about them in frank surprise and admiration, and are prompt and sincere in their declarations that nowhere have they seen a building to compare with it except in the larger centers. It is constructed of brick and stone and is five stories high, the upper floors being used for offices.

The interior is decorated in ivory tints, with railing and the lower part of the walls of marble. Forty thousand dollars worth of lighting fixtures were installed in the building when it was erected, and the mahogany furniture adds its share to the beauty of the place. All the banking equipment is of the most modern, with fire and burglar proof vaults, safes and deposit boxes.

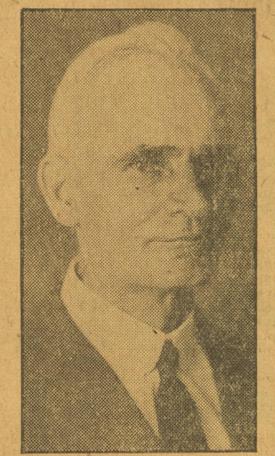
Since the organization of the bank it has been a custom to have a stockholders dinner on the mezzanine every two or three months, so that they can get together and talk over bank problems at frequent intervals, instead of once a year as it so often has been the custom. In this way the bank's affairs are kept constantly before the officers, directors and stockholders, so that the best interests, both of the institution and the depositors, can be looked after in the best possible manner.

Although one of the newer enterprises of the city, the Citizens State bank is one of the most progressive and popular, and under its efficient management it is destined to fill an important part in the future of the city it so successfully serves.

Thirteen governors met at the Sesqui-Centennial, including the one from North Carolina and the one from South Carolina.

TEXAS-LOUISIANA POWER COMPANY IS GROWING CONCERN

The Texas-Louisiana Power company, which supplies gas for domestic and industrial purposes in Ranger and surrounding territory, took over the Southwestern Gas, Light & Power company, formerly the Ranger Gas company, on Jan. 1 of this year, and operates the property as one of the many plants owned by the company in 50 or more cities throughout Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico.



—Photo by Kinberg
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Among the various enterprises of the company are electrical power plants, gas plants, water plants, ice manufacturing plants, and many light plants, the latter being in Louisiana. The company controls \$7,000,000 worth of property, originally starting with the Ranger Gas company, which later merged with the Continental company.

Fort Worth Office.
The Texas-Louisiana Power company has its offices in the Fort Worth club building, in Fort Worth. The officers are: A. P. Barrett, president; A. D. McNabb, treasurer; P. F. Middleton, assistant treasurer; R. I. McCoy, general manager.

The local company is managed by W. L. Barrett, who is one of the outstanding business men of the city and has been connected with the company for many years. In addition to being manager of the company he is also a minister of the Primitive Baptist church. He is prominent throughout the oil field section, and is beloved because of his mildness of disposition and upright character and a personality that makes him pleasing both as a minister and a man.

Tennessean.
He was born in western Tennessee, and moved to Texas in 1891 where he attended the East Texas Normal college. For 12 years he was a teacher in the Texas public schools, his last school being in Putnam, from where he came to Ranger four years ago. He also was employed for five years as bookkeeper in the general land office and comptroller's office Gas company, he has conducted services in the Primitive Baptist churches

Americans Seek Information About Sport Celebrities

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON.—With most of the very best American amateur and professional golfers and tennis players in Europe for one of the most elaborate invasions the United States ever has made on foreign greens and courts, it might be expected that the large American colonies in London and Paris are interested chiefly in golf and tennis. But such is not the case. The first questions pumped at an American arriving in Paris or London are these:

"What kind of a football player is Red Grange really?"

"Is Dempsey going to fight this summer and will his opponent be Harry Wills?"

"What kind of magic did they use on the New York Yankees?"

Red Grange, in proportion to the space available in the American language papers in Europe, received almost as much attention on this side as he did in the states and the football fans were eager to know if he were as good as Eddie Mahan, Jim Thorpe and George Gipp.

They also asked: "How much dough did Grange actually make?" and they followed with the expression of a typical American colonist in Europe—"Wouldn't he have been a sucker if he hadn't turned pro?"

The criticism of Dempsey that has been so freely in the States, was not heard here. There are so few good heavyweights in Europe that the Americans here are proud to boast—"Spalla? Paolino? Francis? Scott? Why those bums couldn't go one round with our Dempsey!"

The general opinion among the British and French boxing writers is that Dempsey is not afraid of Wills and that if he fights Gene Tunney it will be for the reason that he couldn't fight Wills.

They have been well informed about the relations between Dempsey and Jack Kearns, the former manager of the champion and most of them met Dempsey and Kearns when they were here several years ago. They all sided with Dempsey.

Discussion of the New York Yankees' sensational rise from a cellar team to a prospective champion naturally brought up the name of Babe Ruth. The Americans wanted to know who had been responsible for the Babe's return to form and the London sport writers asked if it were true that the home run king made so many "quid."

When assured that the Babe really drew \$2,000 a year from the Yankees, they said—"And our silly boys play cricket for fun!"

has 200 or more miles of line distributing gas to oil field towns in Stephens and Young counties, and to the wells being drilled in oil fields throughout this section.

TEAL MAKES FOUNTAIN POPULAR



RAYMOND TEAL
—Photo by Kinberg

One of the reasons for the popularity of The Fountain, as soft drink stand adjoining the Lamb Theatre, is the personal friendships that have been built up in Ranger by the owner and manager, Raymond Teal.

Mr. Teal was formerly in the show business. For many years his beautiful singing voice gained him popularity in minstrel shows, during which time he toured many countries of the world, including Hawaii, China and Japan. During his travels he accumulated a vast amount of knowledge and many humorous and interesting anecdotes which have tended to make him quite a local entertainer.

He is also somewhat celebrated as an after-dinner speaker. One of the chief reasons for his being such a favorite along this line is the fact that he never makes long talks, but rather confines himself to brief and witty remarks that keep his audience in an uproar of mirth.

Mr. Teal retired from the show business about seven years ago, and came to Ranger to make his home, entering into various business enterprises. He is also a successful politician and at present is commissioner of streets and highways in Ranger.

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CHESTNUT AND SMITH CORPORATION PIONEER PRODUCERS OF GASOLINE FROM GAS OBTAINED FROM WELLS

Operates Five Plants in Ranger District And Sells Produce Over United States, Asset to Ranger

The Chestnut and Smith corporation, which is the pioneer gasoline plant in the Ranger, as well as Oklahoma oil fields, ranks among the greatest of the world's manufacturers of gasoline. The company located here in 1918 at the time of flush production, and out of the many similar plants that started during those boom days, it is the only company that remained through the slump, expressing its confidence in the local oil field, and helping to bring back again to its present success, the Ranger and Eastland county territory.

This company has a tremendous investment and enormous payroll in this section, and is one of the bulwarks of Ranger's business life. Operating in this field are five plants, four of which are near Ranger and one near Eastland, with two electric booster stations where the gas is pumped through the pipe line.

These plants use all the gas available in this field, extract the gasoline, and return the dry, or residue gas to the fields for lease operations, or sell it to the Lone Star Gas company. Forty million feet of gas is used a day in these five plants, making an out put of 110,000 gallons of gasoline a day.

Ship By Train Load

The gasoline manufactured at these plants are shipped in solid trains of tank cars to the gulf coast, to Chicago, and to eastern points. These trains sometimes contain as many as 30 tank cars at a time, all labeled with the Chestnut-Smith name in big black letters across the cars, and as one of these trains pulls out over the local tracks, it offers one of the most interesting sights the city affords.

A fleet of 1,200 cars is operated by the corporation, and it is estimated that in a period of one year the cars travel a distance in excess of 480,000,000 miles, which is equivalent to 480 times around the world. The company maintains a complete tank car repair shop to care for its own cars. This is one of the most modern and best equipped shops in the country.

What Journals Say

In speaking of this corporation the Oil and Gas Journal said:

"Of the several hundred companies making natural gasoline, probably the largest is the Chestnut and Smith corporation. The 14 plants of this corporation, and its closely associated interests, are today making in the neighborhood of 240,000 gallons of raw natural gasoline a day. In 1919 their 26 plants made 60,000 gallons a day. During August, 1924, they shipped 8,250,000 gallons of raw natural gasoline. Included in this were 20 solid trainloads, without doubt the largest trainload movement by any single company in the history of the industry. Their plans called for the shipment of 75,000,000 gallons in one year. At this rate this one corporation is producing more natural gasoline than the entire United States produced in 1915."

Natural gasoline is made from casinghead gas by a series of operations based on temperature, pressure and the absorbing power of mineral seal oil for gasoline in its vapor state. Beginning with the rich gas as it leaves the oil well it goes through various operations until as sparkling gasoline, it goes to the storage tank, ready for shipment.

New Wells Tested

When new wells are drilled in, testing apparatus is used to determine whether the casinghead gas

contains enough gasoline to justify building a plant. They are also used to make regular tests, usually every three months, of the gasoline content of wells or groups of wells as the basis of payment for the casinghead gas. These test cars today cost about \$5,000, but the first testing



Photo by Kinberg
F. G. YONKER

outfit was built by Mr. T. K. Smith, president of the Chestnut and Smith corporation, in 1908 out of a beer pump, and cost about \$25. It was carried on his back from well to well, in making tests. The next year he mounted an outfit, costing about \$300, on the back of a car, and from these humble beginnings the present type car has been developed. The company buys billions of cubic feet of gas a year on the result of tests made with these cars.

The Smith oil and gas separator was invented and perfected by Mr. Smith and first used in the Ranger field. This separator removes all of the oil from the gas, delivering the oil to vapor-tight tanks in which its original gravity is maintained. The separator also removes all of the gas from the oil, delivering the gas to the pipe lines, and is capable of handling 5,000 barrels of oil and 10,000,000 feet of gas in 24 hours.

The first plants built by the company here all had compression pipes, but as manufacturing methods were changed these plants were changed into absorption plants. They operate the year around, and are doing a steady, substantial business.

There are several hundred employees on the payroll, which amounts to \$30,000 or \$40,000 month.

F. G. Yonker's Head

Mr. Yonker is general superintendent of the corporation. He was born in Geneva, Switzerland, and came to America with his parents in his early childhood. In the public schools of Pennsylvania, the state in which he was reared, he took up mechanical engineering, receiving both a technical and practical experience. He has been in the gasoline business since 1915.

Mr. Yonker and T. K. Smith became associated in the east, before the latter became associated with Mr. Chestnut. They were joined in

Oklahoma by Mr. Chestnut at the time the casinghead company pioneered the gasoline business in the Southwest. Mr. Yonker superintended the establishment of three plants in Kansas, and helped build several plants in Oklahoma before coming to Ranger. During his management here the plants have been modernized and the capacity increased until production has developed from 10,000 to 110,000 gallons a day.

Mr. Yonker is one of the most distinguished of Ranger's citizens, pleasing in personality, able in business, and active in civic affairs. His family consists of a wife and several splendid children, and he belongs to several organizations including the Rotary Club, Elks Club, Country Club and Chamber of Commerce.

Mills Grocery Quality Store; Service Is Best

First and foremost among the necessary business organizations of a city, is a grocery store, for, more important than all other human needs, is that of food. Man can solve the problems of shelter and clothing, as best he may, but when meal time comes the healthy human being must have his lam-and, and regardless of what other difficulties he must meet and conquer, there is no substitute for the three square meals a day.

A good grocery store is a boon to any community, and in Ranger the citizens have such a store in the one owned by E. H. & E. P. Mills. These brothers, during their residence here, have become rated among the most prominent of the city's business men, and their store has grown steadily in patronage until today it is one of the largest and most successful in the oil field section.

The Mills grocery has large, clear and high class stocks, which are arranged in an attractive and appetizing manner on the spacious shelves, and in the ample show cases. Everything to be found in a first class grocery store, from a bar of laundry soap to the most exclusive line of canned goods and preserves, are obtainable at E. H. & E. P. Mills. A meat market is also maintained in connection with the business, where the choicest of roasts and steaks and chops, as well as smoked goods, are offered to the discriminating Ranger public.

Nor do the brothers excel in the matter of stocks alone, for in service, and courteous treatment are they outstanding figures in the community. Their slogan is, "We want you to get what you pay for, and pay for what you get," and they fulfill their part of the contract in the most satisfactory manner. Their goods are high class, their prices are reasonable, and their dealings are fair and square, which is the most that can be said in favor of any business.

The Mills brothers were born in Bowie county and raised on a farm, where the older brother, E. H. Mills, chopped cotton, laid cross ties, and engaged in other kinds of hard labor. Nineteen years ago, long before Ranger ever thought of oil, he located here and bought out one of the partners in the Davenport Grocery Store, while his brother remained on the farm with their parents. During the years that followed they were both identified with various kinds of business, general merchandise, bakery, and stock raising.

During the last six years they have been partners in the store on North Rusk street, where their success has been steady and gratifying.

OIL CITIES ELECTRIC COMPANY VISIONED THE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY

Plant Sufficient Needs Entire Belt, Leon River Station Is Distributor

By WILLIAM GIFFORD CLEGG
When oil was first struck in Eastland county and Ranger was virtually nothing but a village of several hundred inhabitants, the lighting facilities of the town was limited to scattered Deleo farm lighting plants, but mainly coal oil lamps, as people began to pour in by hundreds and thousands, in answer to the magic call of oil, there was a need for an adequate electric light and power plant to care for the lighting and industrial power needs of the rapidly developing community.

These needs were seen and the Ranger Light & Power Company was organized. The first unit, consisting of an 85 horsepower engine and 50 k. v. a. generator was put in service and loaded to capacity within a week. The second, third and fourth units of larger capacity were installed as rapidly as possible, yet the growth and demands of the town always kept one step ahead of the plant capacity and at best poor service was rendered by the lighting company who were doing their best to give the city an adequate supply of power.

It was during these hectic days at the height of the oil boom that a few men with vision, realized the possibilities of a central power station to serve not only the city of Ranger, but the other surrounding towns, as well as the oil fields themselves.

The vision of these men was soon a reality, through the efforts, mainly of E. H. & E. P. Mills, to whom the people of this territory will always owe a debt of gratitude.

Mr. Lewis purchased the light and power plants at Ranger, Eastland, Dicesburg, De Leon, and Gorman. To immediately better the situation in Ranger a transmission line was rushed to completion connecting the towns of Eastland and Ranger, for at the time Eastland had some surplus of power which she could lend to Ranger. This was but temporary aid, until the main Leon River generating station could be built and put into operation.

Two organizations were formed, the Oil Cities Electric Company and the Oil Belt Power Company, the former to handle and distribute electric energy to the cities, purchased by Mr. Lewis, and the latter to generate current for the central power station and deliver it to the oil fields and to the city limits of towns served by the Oil Cities Electric Company.

Upon completion of these organizations Mr. Lewis was made vice president and general manager of the companies, and thus his efficient management has made possible the efficiency of the present organization, giving service to its consumers that is surpassed by no other public service company in the country.

Plant Capacity Increased

The growth and expansion of the Leon River generating station of the Oil Belt Power Company has in itself been astonishing, as the capacity of the plant has been doubled and tripled in the past five years. Starting out with 2,300 KVA units in 1920, an additional 6,000 KVA generator was installed in 1922 and a 7,500 KVA machine put in service the latter part of 1924, with plans now for adding another 7,500 KVA unit. All equipment in this station is of the latest design, giving efficiency surpassed by none. Shortly after this station was completed a transmission line was built to Dublin to serve the Texas Power & Light properties of Dublin, Stephenville, Comanche, Blanket and Brownwood. Some of the later developments to still further increase and make possible more efficient service was the interconnection of the Oil Belt Power Co. and the Texas Power and Light Company at Hillsboro on the east, through a 130,000 volt transmission line, and with the West Texas Utilities Company at Cisco on the west. These connections completed a loop of hundreds of miles of interconnected transmission lines running from Hillsboro to Wichita Falls on the north, back to Abilene on the west, then back to Hillsboro, through Cisco and properties of this company. This interconnection insures Ranger the advantage of a super-power system regarding quality and quantity of service and should mean much to help Ranger locate permanent industries who all must have adequate power service to be able to locate at any point.

The policy of the Oil Cities Electric Company has always been most liberal regarding all moves toward bettering conditions in the communities it serves, donated its service and money whenever called upon. The company has voluntarily reduced its rates upon several occasions as conditions warranted, and given real service to its subscribers. In fact the company's policy as a whole, may be covered in two words—"Efficient Service." Service to community town and individual.

Thieves Employ New Trick To Evade The Law

Another trick has been added to the many that automobile thieves employ to outwit the police, it was discovered recently by detectives of the theft bureau of the Automobile Club of Southern California. Clews obtained by the operatives led them to a private garage in Los Angeles, where it was learned a late model stolen car had been stored by thieves posing as honest citizens. When they forced the lock and opened the doors of the garage, they were startled by the amazing plan that was being carried out by the law-breakers.

ager, and in December of last year he became manager of the hotel.

Wed in Fort Worth

With his years of experience, added to his natural business ability and charming personality, Mr. Cummings gives promise of becoming one of the most popular hosts in the oil field



Photo by Kinberg
GUY L. CUMMINGS, Manager

The Gholson Hotel, one of the most famous in all West Texas, was opened in 1921, at the very height of the boom. It is a strictly hometown concern, built by Ranger people to fill a great need in the rapidly growing oil town of that time, and because money was plentiful and big ideas predominated during that period of prosperity, it was built on a plan suggestive of much larger cities.

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The traveling public throughout this section is attracted to Ranger because of the splendid hotel accommodations which the Gholson has to offer, and it is recognized as the best hostelry between Fort Worth and El Paso. The rooms are large and airy and the furnishings are strictly first class. Most of them have private or connecting bath, and all of them have hot and cold running water. The building is five stories high, with attractive stores on each side of the entrance lobby. The lobby is spacious and comfortably furnished and the mazzaine is popular with luncheon clubs and for parties and other gatherings.

Getting so when you see a picture of knock-kneed person you think it is someone dancing.

Mr. Cummings was married in January to Mrs. Nona Watkins of Fort Worth, who has become well acquainted in the city since locating here, and is as enthusiastic in her praise of the city, its climate and its people as Mr. Cummings is.

From present indications the Gholson is destined to increased popularity, and the Ranger population may well feel grateful that there is in its midst a hotel known as one of the finest and most famous in all West Texas.

Mr. Cummings is

C. L. Cummings is manager of the Gholson, and has been connected with the hotel in some capacity as intervals ever since its opening. Mr. Cummings was born in Illinois and lived in the state of Washington for 11 years, joining the army there early in the war. He was stationed at Camp Bowie for 18 months as dispensary sergeant in the base hospital. During this period he acquired a liking for Texas and the Texas people, and following his discharge he decided to make the state his home.

He worked in Fort Worth at the Westbrook Pharmacy from the time of his discharge until he was offered a position in the Gholson Hotel at the time of its opening. He started as clerk, later became assistant man-

STATES OIL CORPORATION BIG PRODUCER

The States Oil Corporation on the Ranger-Cisco Highway, one mile east of the Eastland county courthouse, was organized in 1917 for the purpose of developing the oil territory in this vicinity. The company now has 60 producing wells, making a total of 800 barrels of oil a day. Drilling operations are being carried on principally in Eastland and Brown counties at this time, but the whole drilling territory covers four or five counties.

The States Oil is a \$1,000,000 corporation, with J. M. Weaver as president, William H. Taylor, vice president and treasurer; E. H. Porter, secretary. Mr. Taylor is the general manager.

The company employs about seventy people, with a payroll of approximately \$14,000 a month. This money is spent in Eastland county, adding much to the already large revenue of this prosperous section.

A camp is maintained in connection with the office, making a total of fifteen buildings altogether, including garages and warehouses. The homes are modern in every respect, and the company is one of the most prosperous and substantial in the Oil Belt.

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ROMANCE FORMS BIG PART OF HISTORY OF CITY OF FLOWING GOLD, RANGER

By C. C. PATTERSON

The Lone Star State contains many a community whose history is full of romance, but none can show a more rapid growth, stirring history and a greater potential future than the city of Ranger, known in story and film all over the world.

Given its name during the early days of the frontier on account of being the headquarters of the Texas rangers in 1873, known as one of the unique and historical organizations in the world, as the frontiers gradually moved westward, Ranger gradually developed into the average community of about 600 people, a good trading center for this section and depending upon agriculture and livestock for its support to a very great extent.

When the rews of the new and greatest oil field the world had ever known was discovered in different parts of the world, Ranger immediately became the Mecca of the oil industry, and the quiet town of 600 people started to grow over night to a city of over 30,000 residents with shacks and tents radiating in every direction from the main street.

After two years of feverish activity the great flock of this overnight population, the boom days being over, and the oil production dropping off, went to other fields that had been discovered, leaving an aggressive little city of about 10,000 people. While during the boom days, many reverses were suffered, especially during the period after the close of the World War, permanent residents of Ranger gradually drew together and worked more and more in harmony, knowing that only in unity there was strength, and that the city that succeeded must be united in thought and action.

Out Together
During the first two or three years after the boom Ranger was on the verge of going forward and becoming the leading city of this section, or as has happened so many times before the boom towns gradually grew smaller and smaller, as people losing heart in the possibilities of a town will move to some other section offering greater possibilities. During that time Ranger suffered additional reverses, which only served to knit the progressive citizens closer together.

Gradually after that there was adjustment taking place. Conditions in Ranger grew better and have con-

tinued to do so for the past two years. An often heard expression on the Ranger streets today is that conditions are better than at any time since the boom.

In the last twelve months more residential property has been bought by individuals for homes than during the preceding four years from 1921 to 1925. This is a very significant movement, and shows the progressive people of Ranger have faith in our city, and are willing to invest money in homes. Quite a number of business houses are in course of construction at present, and not a vacant business house can be found on Main street, and a few on the side streets.

Another School
The contract for another ward school building has been let. Construction and work will start immediately. This will give Ranger five ward schools and a high school, besides St. Elias School, an institution conducted by the Sisters of Charity of its Incarnate Word, and also a negro school. In addition to these educational advantages, in September of this year will start the new Junior College, a part of the Ranger public school system, which will give two years of college work.

Agriculture
In the past few years agriculture has come back strong. Before the boom Ranger was the largest cotton point in this section. During the period when oil was the only thing thought of, agriculture was abandoned and not until 1923 was there any cotton gin here. In that year a very moderate figure of about 500 bales was ginned; in 1924 the figure was over 1,000 bales, while in 1925 the figure went to over 1,650 bales. This year, with another new gin installed, at least 3,000 bales is expected to be ginned.

Poultry and livestock, cattle, sheep, goats, etc., have shown a steady growth for the past two years. The Bankhead Poultry Produce Association, a co-operation marketing organization, after started financially by different Chamber of Commerce in Eastland county, is now self-supporting and functioning good. A large wool and mohair clip is secured each year around Ranger and this amount is increasing each year.

We have given a very brief sketch of Ranger as it has been, before the boom, during and after the boom, and at the present time, with 12,000 people nearly 2,000 scholastic, good churches with excellent pastors, and interesting congregations, new homes being built, with good streets, water and sewer systems owned by the city, and good climate with an altitude of 1,450 feet, and excellent light and power, gas, telephones, and other public utilities.

With an industrial pay roll of over \$3,000,000 yearly, surrounded by oil development, casinghead gasoline plants and the field headquarters for

quite a number of large oil companies, Ranger is still considered the Hub of the Oil Fields. Experienced oil men say that there will much drilling in years to come around Ranger, as during the boom only large production was sought, no attention being paid to what is now considered a good producing well.

With cheap fuel in the form of residence gas, Ranger is indeed the "City of Industrial Opportunities." Large manufacturers seek cheap fuel and in addition to natural gas, we are within fifteen miles of well developed coal fields.

Distributing Center
As a distributing center, Ranger is ideally located. Commodities take the same rates from Ranger to Houston in Southeast Texas, San Antonio, in Southwest Texas, and Amarillo in North Texas, while the one line haul to Texarkana on the eastern border and El Paso on the western border gives us unusual advantages. With four railroad outlets, to the north and south over the Wichita Falls, Ranger and Fort Worth and the east and west over the Texas & Pacific, it can be seen that Ranger is particularly favored along the line of a distribution center.

In the line of natural resources, we have just outside the city limits ample and high grade deposits of glass deposits of glass sand, and brick shale. Chemical analysis have been secured on these two items from high professional sources, and the reports show that both of these are of very high grade. With cheap fuel, which a glass plant and brick plant both would use in large quantities, and a good distributing center and good markets for production of glass and brick products Ranger should be an ideal location and doubtless in the near future plants of this nature will be located here.

Surrounded by a productive and industrial territory which looks to Ranger as the leading commercial center of this section, due to the large wholesale and retail establishments, with a contented citizenship that works for and believes in Ranger and its future, Ranger is indeed the "City of Industrial Opportunities," and extends a hearty and sincere welcome to industries and individuals seeking a location to enjoy life and prosperity surrounded by good people and ideal living conditions.

Bells Are Silent Because Holy Men Cannot Be Found

By United Press.

LONDON, June 22.—The bells of Blackawton, in Devonshire, shall not ring because the men who know how to ring them will not promise to keep the Lord's Day holy.

The bells of the parish church were once famous in the county, but they have not been ringing for ten years. Rev. William Clarnell, the 72-year-old vicar, has made another drive for proper bell-ringers and has failed to find the right kind of men. He posted a notice inviting application from seven men who understood change ringing, but added "they must be

FORMAN PIPE & SUPPLY CO. SHOWS GROWTH

The M. J. Forman Pipe & Supply company, Inc., has been one of the contributing factors in the development of the oil field section in Ranger and the surrounding territory, for the company opened here in 1920 and has enjoyed a steady increase of business, demonstrating the substantial business activities of the section.

The company is engaged in the business of buying and selling second-hand casing and line pipe, and also does pipe re-threading. M. J. Forman is president of the company, and his son-in-law, S. L. Golden, is vice president. The two men have been associated in business for more than 16 years. They came from Oklahoma six years ago, after spending some years in the oil fields of that state, with headquarters at Nowata. Recognizing, however, a wide and promising field in Eastland county, they opened their store here and have since developed from a rather small beginning to one of the foremost companies of its kind in West Texas. The company also has a store at Cross Plains.

Mr. Forman and Mr. Golden are both prominently identified with the business life of the city, and because of their many substantial characteristics they are widely and popularly known throughout the territory which they so successfully serve in a business way.



MRS. ALICE TRUE
—Photo by Kinberg
Secretary Ranger Retail Merchants' Association

men of good moral character, and who are in the habit of keeping holy the Lord's Day. He offered a bonus for those who would guarantee to attend three services out of four.

LEVEILLE AND MAHER KNOW FORD GAME AND HOW TO GET RESULTS

Both Men Came Up From Ranks In The Detroit Home Plant

As everyone knows, Ranger never does things in a small way. Whenever this substantial and prosperous little city attempts anything, you can



—Photo by Kinberg
ED. R. MAHER

safely wager that it will be comparable with similar enterprises in the largest cities. Especially is this true in the automobile industry in Ranger, among the foremost of which is the Leveille-Maher Motor Company, which opened seven years ago "not because of the oil boom," to quote the management. And a "boom" it has been, literally. For there are few Ford dealers in the whole state that can exceed this firm in the point of business or the size of plant, and surely there is no city anywhere of like population that numbers in its car census a larger number of the world's cheapest and most popular car than Ranger.

The company is owned and managed by Morris Leveille and Ed. R. Maher, two prominent men who have mounted the ladder of success from the bottom-most rung. Fifteen years ago Mr. Maher was working in the parts department of a Ford Motor company, and Mr. Leveille started as a mechanic in the Ford factory in Detroit.

Possessing the stuff that success is made of, these men steadily advanced in their chosen work, until they finally met in the Ford assembling plant in Dallas, where Mr. Leveille was superintendent of the company, and Mr. Maher was man-

ager of the service department.

Knew Business
With a knowledge of the Ford business, and a business ability acquired through many years of experience, the two friends desired to open a Ford agency, and when the oil field opened up in Ranger they secured a contract and opened a business that was destined to a conspicuous success.

In its first period of existence this company was limited in scope. The opening stock consisted of three cars, and the show room, shop, and business office was maintained in a little sheet iron building, 35 feet wide. But the two hustling partners from this small beginning have evolved one of the largest and most prosperous Ford agencies in the state.

Many improvements have been made at the plant during the last year or so. The building occupied, which is owned by the company, is spacious and substantially built of brick, with a large show room and handsome plate glass windows, a separate building for the used car department, a complete battery and overhauling department, a service and filling station, a well stocked parts department, and one of the largest best equipped shops in the state, in charge of a staff of expert mechanics and a former man of proven ability.

Leveille a Canadian
Mr. Leveille was born in Canada. He is 43 years old, and his wide experience with the Ford Motor Company has equipped him in an especial manner for the responsibility of his



—Photo by Kinberg
MORRIS LEVEILLE

present business. He has a pleasing personality that has attracted a wide circle of friends and business associates.

Mr. Maher was born and reared in Chicago, and during his residence in Texas he has made many staunch friends throughout the state. His exceptional business ability is recognized both in Ranger and on the outside, and he brings to his business an integrity and dependability that makes success. One of the local automobile dealers said of him recently: "You will not find anywhere a clearer competitor than Ed. Maher." That which no greater tribute could be paid a man.

Mr. Leveille and Mr. Maher are both active in civic matters, belonging to the Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants Association, and contributing generously to all worthy causes. They are prominent members of the Knights of Columbus, and also belong to the Elks and Lions.

A large and efficient sales and office force assist the Leveille-Maher company in the successful operation of this outstanding Ranger business which has been one of the contributing factors in the development of the city.

Change In Slab Men Main Cause Of Slower Games

By PAUL W. WHITE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK.—So many complaints that big league baseball is slowing up have been received by the club owners that agitation is under way to instruct the umpires to keep things moving more speedily.

However, the principal reason for the dragged out encounters of today is not the failure of umpires to keep the players hustling but the use of so-called "strategy" by the team managers who nowadays are likely to order a change of pitchers on the slightest or no provocation.

Time was when two pitchers, one for each team, went to the mound every game and stayed there throughout the nine innings. But that day is passing. Not one game out of ten finds the same two hurlers in the box at the end of nine innings.

The writer has before him the box scores of all fifteen games played in both leagues on June 1 and 2 this year. The average time it took to play these encounters was two hours and 11 minutes. A baseball game should be played in an hour and 50 minutes at the best, and the sport would be made more interesting if that time were shortened.

Now to explain why these fifteen games consumed so much time. In only one of them were two pitchers on the winning team was kept working until the finish. In the rest of them, from two to five pitchers were called to duty for each team.

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One of the most popular of the newcomers to Ranger is L. M. Davis, manager of the E. H. & A. Davis store, a pioneer of the famous boom days. Mr. Davis is a brother of E. H. Davis and Abe Davis, the latter being until recently the manager of the local branch of an extensive chain of men's furnishing stores which is owned and operated by the Davis brothers in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas. Abe Davis now is in Fort Worth, manager of the company's store there. He was one of the foremost Ranger citizens during his residence here.

Although Louis Davis has been here only a short time, he has firmly established himself in the business, civic and social activities of Ranger, and the citizens here have readily extended him the same friendship and esteem which they gave the brother who preceded him. He is a good-looking, likable young man whose earnestness and sincerity and admirable business policy have made an impression on his customers and associates.

Born in Missouri.
Mr. Davis was born in Missouri but lived in Texas for seven years. Just before coming here he operated the company's stores at Smackover, Ark., and Haynesville, La., and he is well known among the oil field workers, as well as business men, both in Louisiana and Texas. His family consists of a wife and two little daughters to whom he is quite devoted. He belongs to the Masonic organizations, and the Elks lodge, the Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants' association. He takes an active part in all civic affairs, lending a ready cooperation to all matters pertaining to the development of the town.

The E. H. & A. Davis company opened here in 1919, beginning its career in a store with a frontage of 11 feet. But at that time this was really a rather pretentious building, for business space was at such a premium the average firm was glad to have desk rooms and in the absence of desk room was content to conduct its business out in the open or in the lobbies of hotels. A merchant, however, must have some kind of quarters, so the Davis brothers were fortunate in finding a little building suitable for their business at that time.

Complete Lines.
Packed tightly into this limited space the company carried complete lines of men's clothing, both for the workers in the fields, and for the needs of the most particular business man. By satisfactorily taking care

of the demands of the rapidly increasing population, the store during the first six weeks of its business increased from \$65, on the opening day, to more than \$1,000 a day.

Just as the prosperity of the little business seemed assured, Ranger has its first fire which wiped out two blocks. Among the businesses to go was the E. H. & A. Davis store, with a loss of \$3,000. But like most of the sufferers from the disaster, the store was soon operating again in a building at the corner of Rusk and Pine streets. This time they were fortunate in securing a 20-foot frontage, which gave the store a much better appearance, but as it was only 50 feet deep, the actual floor space was about the same.

Destined to prosperity the firm rapidly advanced and constantly increased its trade, and became established on so firm a foundation it was enabled to survive the depression after the boom, which wiped out so many of the other Ranger firms.

Enlarged.
By its steady increase the firm was later compelled to remove to still larger quarters in 1922 and wisely chose its present site at 219 Main street. The building is handsome and modern in every way, with a well-lighted and spacious interior where selections can be made with care given both to colors and styles. The front of this store is one of the nicest in the city, and an interesting display of men's garments can always be found in the roomy and well-arranged windows.

The firm carries a large stock of nationally advertised lines, as well as standard makes of work clothes. The motto of the company is "quality merchandise," and the policy is "fair treatment for everybody." By handling their goods at a legitimate margin of profit the company has been enabled to enjoy a steady business, and Ranger has had the advantage of this first class clothing company where the citizens can always be sure of getting a little bit more than their money's worth, and can always be confident of the styles and quality of merchandise offered.

SEEKS MONEY FOR EDGAR A. POE BUST

NEW YORK.—In order that the masterful conception of Edgar Allan Poe as rendered by Olaf Bjorkman, the noted American sculptor of Swedish origin, may permanently remain in this country, Bentley Mulford of New York is initiating a movement whereby through popular public subscription a sufficient amount of money shall be raised for the purchase of this symbolical Poe bust and its donation to The Edgar Allan Poe Shrine of Richmond, Va.

RANGER BATTERY AND TIRE HOUSE BUILT BY SERVICE

J. L. Chance Took Old
Opportunity by Hair.
Made Good at Business



—Photo by Kinberg
J. L. CHANCE

One of Ranger's most progressive young go-getters is J. L. Chance, owner and manager of the Ranger Battery & Tire company, where motorists of this vicinity buy their Texaco, Gulf and Cities Service products, Goodyear tires, and various accessories.

In addition to these auto supplies, Mr. Chance also maintains a high class service department where repairs are made by skilled mechanics, while all kinds of electric and battery work is also done in the well-equipped shop.

Mr. Chance arrived in Ranger when it was a new oil town, before the streets were laid, and like the other loyal and substantial citizens who pinned their faith on the community they helped to make, he did not abandon the town when the boom was over, but remained through the depression, later, to have the gratification of seeing it stage a come-back that promises to excel its first bright prospects.

Small Building.
The company started operating in

a little building, 15 feet in width, from which it later removed to larger quarters, and still later expanded until it now occupies a building 75 by 150 feet. Mr. Chance is not just a tenant, but the owner of this splendid property, which is one of the most popular locations and best quarters for a business of its kind in the city. The garage will accommodate 50 or more cars, and the filling station is conveniently arranged to take care of the needs of the many customers who take advantage of the prompt and efficient service they get at the Ranger Battery & Tire Company.

Following his discharge from the army, Mr. Chance came to Ranger where he secured employment with the Phillips Petroleum company, and Prairie Oil & Gas company, before going in the battery business. He is an expert mechanic and able to make repairs on all makes of cars. In his battery department he is prepared to give eight-hour service on recharging.

Promptness.
One of the big features in the success Mr. Chance has achieved is the prompt service he gives at the filling station. It is human nature to be always in a hurry, when wanting gas or oil or air, and because Mr. Chance recognizes this characteristic on the part of his customers, and gives it consideration, his place is always crowded with motorists wanting him to "fill 'er up."

"A service station is well named," Mr. Chance said, "for service is what the people want. And it must be immediate and efficient and polite. That's what they get at the Ranger Battery & Tire company, service that's prompt and willing, and appreciation for patronage, and that, we believe, is what makes any place popular and successful. We want to serve."

Mr. Chance is a member of the Masonic orders and the Elks. His family consists of a wife and two little daughters whom he has provided with one of the most beautiful homes in the city. Owning both his home and place of business, he has become a responsible property holder, and he is recognized as one of the city's most capable, ambitious and progressive young men.

Personally he is easily approachable and quick at making friends, which is a great asset in the sort of business he conducts, where personal contact is a big factor in success.

RELATIVE GROWTH OF THE TELEPHONE IN U. S.

An interesting comparison between population and numbers of telephones in the United States is shown by the fact that in 1880 there was one telephone to every 1,064 inhabitants; in 1890, one to every 230 persons; in 1900, one telephone to every 57 persons; in 1905, one to every 21 persons; in 1915, one to every ten persons; in 1915, one to every seven persons.

Even at the present time telephones are growing much faster in the United States than is the population. The population of the country is now increasing at the rate of one and one-quarter per cent a year, while telephones are growing at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent a year.



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Hicks Fountain Meeting Place For Old Friends

The Hicks Drug store, one of the most progressive pharmacies in West Texas, has just added one more prosperous and successful year to its history and has had the added triumph of removing to new quarters of a



J. L. HICKS

most pretentious nature. Although it was always an outstanding business in the city, it was not until the removal of the company to the new brick building at 301 Main street, one of the most popular corners in town and directly across from its former location, that the well known drug store was housed in a manner befitting its general excellence. The manager, J. L. Hicks, was one of the first residents of Ranger to mark the city's new prosperity by making a signal expansion, and was one of the first to sign a lease in the new store building erected on the site of the old McCleskey hotel which burned down in the summer of 1924.

Service.
With newly installed fixtures, and enlarged stock, the Hicks Drug store has during the last year been able to serve the people of Ranger better than it ever did before. The spacious interior is effectively arranged with modern cases from which are displayed the most complete line of drug sundries, cosmetics, perfumes and other high class commodities found in a well stocked drug store.

A choice line of candies, as well as all kinds of cigars and tobacco are sold in this popular pharmacy, and the fountain has one of the largest followings in the city. Not only do the drinks excel, but the store is cool and comfortable, and there is a general air of hospitality prevailing that is appreciated by the customers.

Friendlyness.
Mr. Hicks is one of the pleasantest and friendliest men in town. He makes the people understand that he likes them personally, as well as he does their patronage.

"We have a large variety of splendid customers who make the day's work interesting," Mr. Hicks says. "The monotonous long hours of a druggist are reduced to minutes by the constant appearance of pleasant, easily satisfied customers. It is a pleasure to meet and know them all personally."

And because of this attitude Mr. Hicks has succeeded in building up a business that is based as much upon a friendly chat as on a bottle of medicine.

Curb Service.
The curb service at the store is also a feature of its popularity. Situated so that the afternoon sun is cut off by the shadow of the building, motor-

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AND IDEAL SCHOOL LIFE OFFERED BY RANDOLPH JUNIOR COLLEGE

Randolph College at Cisco, opened its doors September 15 for the 1925-26 session with a splendid outlook for the year's work. Dr. T. T. Roberts, of Enid, Okla., was secured for president.

Dr. Roberts spent several years in Kentucky University and completed his degree work at Phillips University, Enid, Okla. He has been actively engaged in educational work for the past seventeen years and has made splendid contributions to the work of education in Kentucky, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

The direction of the educational work will be largely attended by Dean Bruce and his able corps of teachers; and Dr. Roberts, assisted by Lewis P. Kopp and Joseph Keevil, will direct the special campaign to put Randolph College on its feet. The program is being extended in a widening circle that will include the entire state of Texas. The college, from a meagre financial beginning, has increased its financial assets by \$150,000 since last September.

Randolph College is accepted in full affiliation with all colleges and universities. In addition to offering courses the first two years in college, arrangements are made for entering students who have not completed their high school work.

Situated amid rugged hills, with an altitude of 1,700 feet, climatic conditions are ideal for student life at Randolph College. Athletics, under proper regulation, are made a valuable contribution to college life. Library facilities



DR. T. T. ROBERTS

and laboratory equipment comply with the State Board of Education standards for rating as a Class A Junior College.

Murray's Drug Stores Furnish Quality Service

Murray's Drug stores of Ranger and Eastland are places where one always finds service, quality and courtesy, a trio of advantages destined to bring any store to a marked success.

These popular pharmacies are owned by R. H. Murray, who manages the Eastland store, located on the square, and Willard Swaney, who has charge of the Ranger store, in the Gholson hotel building. The company also owns a store in the Palo Duro hotel at Amarillo.

The stores are well stocked with fresh and high class drugs, and carry the standard lines of cosmetics, nannally and Martha Washington candies,

ists drive up and honk, and their needs are instantly supplied.

Mr. Hicks was born in Arkansas and brought up in Texas. He received his education in Baylor university, Waco, where he took a course in pharmacy. This assures the customer at his store the most careful and efficient handling of prescriptions, and it is the policy of the store to keep nothing but the freshest of high class drugs.

Following his graduation Mr. Hicks became a high school teacher for many years, during which time he operated drug stores as a sideline. His experience in this business extends over a period of 25 years or more. Six years ago he brought both his ability and pleasant personality to Ranger, taking a position in a drug store, and conducting a confectionery business at the same time. Three years ago he opened the Hicks Drug store which has been enjoying ever increasing success since then.

Mr. Hicks is a member of the Baptist church, the Masonic lodge and the Elks, an active supporter of the chautauqua, various civic enterprises, and worthy charities. He is a capable business man and leading citizen.

and news and magazine stands. They are also equipped with up-to-date fountains and feature a prompt curb service.

Mr. Swaney, who has lived in Ranger for the last year, was formerly in the banking business in Clovis, N. M. He came here to join his brother-in-law, Mr. Murray, in the management of the Ranger business, at the time the Eastland store was opened last year. He is one of the popular and prominent young business men of the city and has made many friends since locating in one of the most progressive cities in the oil field section.

Puffed Ice Cream Is New Wrinkle To Bunk The Public

By United Press.
KNOXVILLE, Tenn., June 27.—"Puffed" ice cream is the latest worry of W. C. Fraser, city sealer.

In contending that it should be sold by weight instead of measure, Fraser says he had received several complaints from dealers that manufacturers are swelling the icy delicacy by the use of carbon dioxide gas.

"The use of carbon dioxide puffs the ice cream until a large percentage of it is air," said Fraser. "The retailer sustains the largest loss, for when he dips into the ice cream to sell it to a customer the air is squeezed out. He merely pays for air and loses it when he sells the cream to the customer."

Norwegians Plan Presentation Of Museum To U. S.

OSLO.—The Nordmand Forbundet society of Norway has virtually completed plans for a museum to be presented to people of Norwegian descent in the United States.

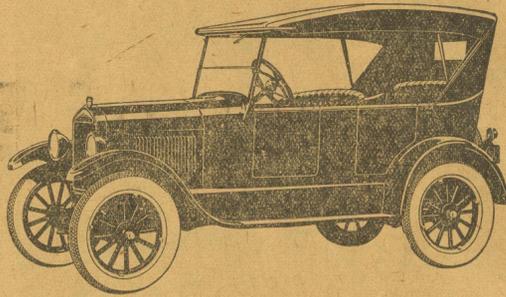
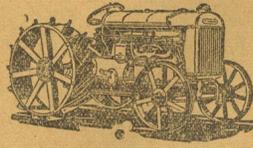
The museum will house all types of Norwegian furniture, with a special section devoted to former and present-day decorations for Norwegian homes. The location of the building has not yet been determined.



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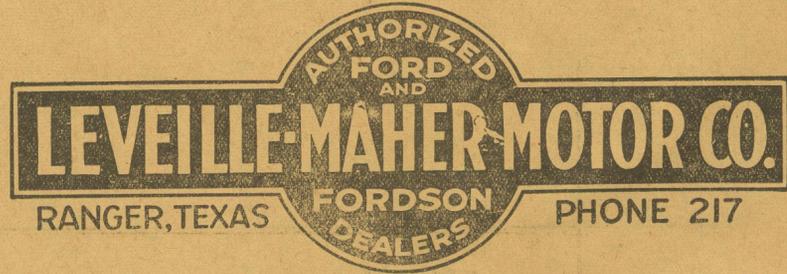


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Then there are the cross-arms, the wires, the insulators. Add to these visible signals of telephone service the expensive intricate plant equipment that is back of the receiver and the total investment reaches a big figure. Yet the cost to the average family for telephone service is insignificant compared with the value received and the investment involved.

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Ranchman Turns Contractor When Necessity Shown

The Atex Construction company, engaged in general contracting, has headquarters in Eastland and operates throughout Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona. At this time the company is making plans for an expansion of business to include other southern states.

The company builds high type roads, lays pipe line and at this time is constructing a large dam for irrigation purposes in New Mexico. The members of this firm have built practically all the roads in Eastland county. G. A. Davison, who is head of the company, was formerly connected with the Fleming-Sitzer Road Building company, which had the general contract for all roads in Eastland county, amounting to an investment of \$4,000,000, a contract which at that time was the largest of its kind ever in the United States.

Former Ranchman. Mr. Davison is a native Texan, born in Galveston and educated in the Texas schools. He was in the ranching, cattle and banking business in New Mexico for 12 or 15 years before coming to Eastland county to make his home. In an interview Mr. Davison said:

"When the oil business opened up here I came to make some investments, and I found that the thing which the county needed most was good roads. As every person who lived here during the boom well remembers, the roads were in such condition it took hours, and sometimes a whole day, to get from Eastland to Ranger. If, indeed, one could get through at all. Sometimes you'd start from one town to another, and would find in your path a whole line-up of stalled cars and trucks sunken to the hub. The oil field roads were well remembered—although not favorably remembered—by all of the 'old-timers.'

Road Building. "After realizing the situation I concluded that the greatest service

that could be rendered at that time to the people of this territory was the construction of good roads. So I organized the Fleming-Sitzer company, secured the contracts, and started roads all over the county.

"The first of these roads to be completed was the Bankhead highway, a distance of 44 miles. This highway extended from the edge of Palo Pinto county to the Edge of Calahan county. Twenty-four miles of the road was built at a cost of between \$20,000 and \$25,000 a mile, but the balance of the strip—the famous brick road between Eastland and Cisco, a distance of 10 miles—cost \$40,000 a mile.

"This last mentioned strip of road is one of the finest and most substantial in the world. It is made of Thurber brick, and will last a lifetime.

"Eastland county is fortunate in having an abundance of high grade limestone rock, and we use this rock, taken from the quarries of the surrounding territory, for the base of our roads, which makes this county have one of the most substantial road bases to be found in the state.

Bankhead Highway. "The Bankhead highway, with the exception of the Ranger-Cisco road, is finished with an Amisite topping which is considered by both state and government road officials as being among the very highest class of topping material used in road construction."

Under the direction of Mr. Davison, a complete network of roads have been laid through Eastland county, radiating out in every direction from each of the cities and towns. A total number of 208 miles of road has been constructed by his companies.

Mr. Davison has many large investments in Eastland county. He owns the Exchange National bank building, in which his company has its main offices. This building was constructed at a cost of \$348,000. He also owns a major part of the stock in the bank. He has spent several hundred thousand dollars in the development of oil and gas in Eastland county, and he owns considerable business and residence property. He is at this time completing plans

Ranger Mattress Factory Makes High Class Goods

In Ranger there is a company that is devoted exclusively to the worthy task of making life easier for the public. Or, at any rate, one-third of the life time of each customer is made easier by the products of this company, for the company is engaged in the manufacture of the mattresses, and as approximately a third of one's time is spent in bed, it therefore follows that eight hours a day is made happier for every user of the products sold by the Ranger Mattress company, manufacturers and rebuilders of all grades of mattresses.

The Ranger Mattress company has been doing business in the city for the last four years, under the direction of the owner and manager, M. M. Nanney. Mr. Nanney was formerly of Mineral Wells, and moved here in 1922 when attracted to the city by its prosperity.

The company started in a small way, but has built up such a large business it counts among its customers approximately 35 furniture stores in a radius of 60 miles. The business has increased steadily and the plant equipment has been increased to meet the present demands for the output of the factory.

Mr. Nanney has been in the mattress business for 10 or 12 years and the trade territory of Ranger profits by the benefits of his wide experience. He has built up a reputation on good merchandise.

The company, through its modern equipment, is able to thoroughly disinfect and rebuild old mattresses at less than half the cost of a new one.

The chemical process of disinfecting, and the skilled workmanship of rebuilding, makes the old product on a par with the new. It is no longer necessary for the housewife to throw away the old flat, soiled, apparently worn out mattress. Instead she can call the Ranger Mattress company, which will return to her a thoroughly disinfected, rebuilt mattress. The work is finished quickly, a one-day service being rendered where desired.

Delivers Goods. Whether it be in the purchase of a new mattress, or the renovating of an old one, the Ranger women feel a confidence in patronizing this company, for they know, through four years of experience that the quality of this company's products is above question or criticism.

Mr. Nanney is one of Ranger's foremost business men. He is not a "joiner." That is he belongs to none of the lodges or fraternal organizations or luncheon clubs. He makes his business his chief diversion, and it is perhaps because of his policy of sticking strictly to his work that he has brought the mattress factory to such a success. His family consists of a wife and four children, and they own their own home here.

Police Are Seeking Owner of \$4000 Held by a Boy

BUENOS AIRES.—Santiago de Alvarez, a 15-year-old boy, answered an advertisement for a boy to make himself useful around a gentleman's lodging. Santiago worked an hour and received \$9,167.70 in Argentine pesos, approximately \$4,000.

His first and last duty was to cash a check for the amount named. His employer Sr. Luis Ruiz, endorsed the check and sent the boy to the bank. Santiago got the money. He returned to Sr. Ruiz' rooms, but the Senator had departed. Santiago did not put the money under the rug, but took it home to his mother.

Senora Emilia Paramo de Alvarez returned to the Ruiz lodging the next morning with her son. Senor Ruiz was still missing. The aid of the police was solicited, but they were unable to find the missing man.

In the meantime, the police are keeping the money, and Santiago is looking for another job.

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One of the most important grocery stores in Ranger, which serves a very useful purpose for the rural population in the city's vast trade territory, is Ratliff & Campbell, the grocery on Eastland hill, where courteous treatment and prompt service are the keynote.

The company is owned by A. J. Ratliff, prominent in the feed and business of the community, and Ray Campbell, a popular local man who has a wide knowledge of the territory that has made it a business asset. Ratliff has lived in Ranger since the boom, coming here from Aledo in 1918, and during the time he has lived here he has been connected with the development of substantial business concerns. Campbell likewise came from San Angelo in 1918. He conducted a grocery store there, but upon locating in the new oil town he took a position with the American Express company, early in the boom. Shortly afterward he opened a grocery store three miles north of town, and after selling this store out he worked in the oil field, and then with Waples-Platter for about a year.

Three years ago Mr. Campbell became associated with Mr. Ratliff in the Eastland hill grocery, and the company has enjoyed a constantly increasing business ever since. His family consists of a wife, son and daughter, and he owns an attractive home in Hodges Oak park.

Although small the store is well stocked with fresh, clean, and high class groceries, attractively arranged on the shelves and counters. A first class meat market is conducted in connection with the store, and because of the prompt service, unexcelled merchandise, and reasonable prices, the business of the store is not only large, but merited.

The Ratliff & Campbell grocery store is convenient to all the residents on Eastland hill, and also to the oil workers who are now active in the development of the territory, and rural people who find it an accessible store to trade.

**Oil Well Supply
Company Plays
Big Part in Game**

The Oil Well Supply Company, which has its home office in Pittsburgh, Pa., is one of the most useful of the many Ranger interests, for it has played its part conspicuously and effectively in the development of the surrounding oil fields.

The company is one of the largest of its kind in the United States, and in Ranger it maintains a spacious and well stocked store on Rusk street a warehouse, pipe yards, and one of the largest shops in the oil fields where drilling equipment is manufactured and repair work promptly done. Fishing tools are also rented. A large number of skilled workmen are employed by the shop, adding materially to the city's payroll income.

The company is managed by J. A. Shaw who arrived at his present position of responsibility after serving an apprenticeship as a laborer. Those who know "Abie" can appreciate why his advance has been so rapid in a comparatively short time, for he is a hard and steady worker, with sound judgment, and a sincerity of purpose.

During the war Mr. Shaw was in service, and after the hostilities were concluded and he received his honorable discharge, he came to the oil fields, determined to establish himself in the business world. The Oil Well Supply company had been established here in 1918, and because of its rapidly increasing business it was in need of men. Mr. Shaw took a job, applied himself faithfully to the work, studied the business, and within a short time became manager of the company's vast local interests, a position which he has successfully held ever since.

Although the company is a Pittsburgh concern it takes as much interest in Ranger affairs as if it was strictly local, a compliment which cannot be paid to all outside concerns. There is no enterprise for the betterment of Ranger in which the Oil Well Supply company, and its popular manager are not prominently identified.

**Dentist Finds Way
To Compete With
Mail Order House**

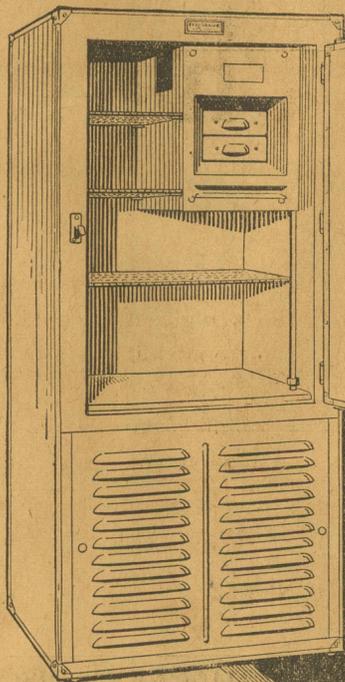
KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 2:—A Kansas City dentist has found a unique method to compete with mail order firms that send unsolicited articles to persons and then send a bill a couple of days later.

The dentist received a package containing several neckties, followed by a letter reading:

"We hope you like the neckties we sent you. Inclosed you will find our bill for \$5."

Resolving on reprisals the dentist went to his work bench and there took two old plates. These were mailed to the necktie firm, with the following letter:

"I hope these plates will fit you or some of your helm. Inclosed you will find my bill for \$100. I shall expect to receive check for \$95 by return mail."



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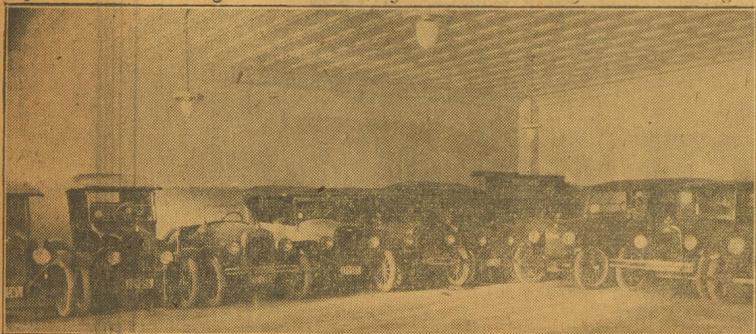
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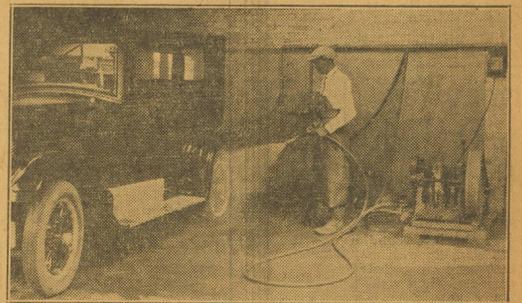
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With this latest improved washing machine we can give you excellent, quick service wash jobs.

RANGER LINE HELPS DEVELOP AGRICULTURE AND PETROLEUM INDUSTRIES ALONG ITS ROAD

Able Managed By Successful Business and Railroad Officials—Banker Is Member Of The Directors

Not so many years ago, when Ranger was a little flag station along the Texas & Pacific, the natives gathered every day, as is the custom in country villages, to watch the trains go by. And when the Sunshine Special stopped, every once in a great while, to deposit some passenger of sufficient importance to justify a stopping, there was indeed a flurry of excitement in the town.

It is, then, a matter of interest to note that within three years after the discovery of oil, the same small settlement which felt honored at the mere stopping of a train, was itself the home of a prosperous railroad. In April, 1920, work was begun on the building of the Wichita Falls, Ranger and Fort Worth Railroad, popularly known as "The Ranger Line."

The home offices of this road are in Ranger. The employees are Ranger people, who make their home here and spend their money here, and make the company they represent a real worth-while Ranger institution.

The road was built by the late Jake Hamon, under rather great difficulties, for construction work at that time was handicapped by lack of labor and materials. But as time was an important factor in the construction of the line, all energy was put into its rapid completion.

As the line advanced, so did the territory traversed by the road rapidly develop. New industries sprang up along the line, as soon as it was realized that the railroad could provide quick movement for the products of the industries. So that, working to their mutual interests, both the road and the country benefitted and prospered.

Receivership

During the general, as well as local, depression which followed the war and boom, at the time when banks and business houses were failing at an alarming rate of speed, the Ranger line, suffering from the high cost of operation and slump in development in the oil fields, found itself unable to meet its obligations, and the road was thrown into receivership, the latter part of December, 1921. J. W. Mitchell of Fort Worth was appointed receiver by the federal court and took charge of the property.

Due to Mr. Mitchell's executive ability the road was brought out of its chaotic condition and again was placed on a profit-showing basis. It was operated on this plan until April

1, 1926, when it passed out of the hands of the receiver, and Mr. Mitchell was made president of the road.

Rehabilitation

Under Mr. Mitchell's management the property was rehabilitated to an extent that practically renewed the entire line in such matters as the laying of new ties, building of bridges, improving the mechanical power, and adding six new locomotives which replaced the old, worn-out ones that were with the property at the time of the receivership.

The service on this road is now excelled by none, on account of the close schedules at junction points and the operation of daily scheduled merchandise package cars from Fort Worth, Dallas, Kansas City, St. Louis and elsewhere. It is not unusual to see thirty or more cars of gasoline in one train moving out of Ranger over the Wichita Falls, Ranger and Fort Worth line. While the incoming trains bring automobiles, oil well supplies, and all kinds of merchandise for the local markets.

The company is in a sound financial condition and has removed its offices to one of the finest buildings in the city, formerly occupied by the First National Bank.

Fort Worth Man

J. W. Mitchell, president, has spent most of his life in Texas. His home is in Fort Worth, where he has built up a very enviable record in the business world.

W. H. Larsen, assistant general manager, who has been associated with Mr. Mitchell for several years, is well experienced in the railroad game, having formerly been associated with the Colorado & Southern Lines. Mr. Larsen has recently moved his headquarters to Ranger as general business conditions made it apparent that it would be to the best interest of the railroad to have an active management of the properties located in Ranger.

J. D. Sullivan

J. D. Sullivan, auditor and traffic manager, came here in 1919 while the road was being constructed, as chief clerk to the auditor. Mr. Sullivan is well experienced in accounting and general railroad work. Prior to coming to Ranger he was connected with the Colorado & Southern for several years at Denver, Colo. On April 10, 1926, when the accounting and traffic departments were consolidated he was put in charge of both departments.

B. C. Morgan and W. P. Lacy, who are in charge of solicitation, both own their homes in Ranger and have been connected with the Ranger line several years.

The list of directors for the Ranger Line include two Ranger men, S. A. Lillard Jr., vice president of the Ranger State Bank, and M. R. Newham, president of the Oilbelt Motor Company.

GRAIN AND FEED DEALER RATLIFF SUPERIOR MAN



—Photo by Kinberg
A. J. RATLIFF

Two outstanding factors have entered into the success of A. J. Ratliff, dealer in hay, grain and feed on Eastland hill. One is the business ability and splendid personal qualities of the man himself, and the other is the excellence of the commodities he sells.

Mr. Ratliff sells Superior Stock and Poultry Feed and declares it is gratifying to him to know that a large percentage of the cattle and chicken raisers of this section, realizing the merits of the Superior lines, are using this output exclusively.

Developer

By handling so valuable a line of feed, Mr. Ratliff is taking an active part in increasing the efficiency of the cattle and poultry industry in the county, and by increased milk and egg production, caused by the proper

feeding, he is aiding the rural population in increasing its income and stabilizing one of the great industries of the surrounding territory.

"A majority of the poultry raisers in this vicinity are using Superior feed, for they realize it makes better layers, and the Superior Dairy Ration we believe has no equal, and catlemen realize it is the best cow feed on the market," Mr. Ratliff said. "It has been our privilege to enjoy a steady growth of business during the last few years. Not only have the number of our customers increased, but those customers are themselves having a splendid increase in business. The whole poultry and cattle industry in the county is enjoying prosperity at this time."

Feed Formula

The formulas that go to make up the Superior feeds are the results of a series of experiments conducted over a long period of time and are said to be in keeping with their trademark—Superior. To maintain a high standard quality the company selects the very best ingredients that can be obtained, all the way from the dried buttermilk food for the baby chicks, to the Superior Egg Mash and Hen Scratch which keeps hens in a healthy condition and increases egg production.

The company's plant at Fort Worth is one of the best equipped in Texas, with the very latest of improved machinery. The mills maintain a standard which is meeting with very satisfactory results throughout Texas.

Mr. Ratliff came to Ranger from San Angelo early in the boom, opening a grocery store on Eastland hill, which met an urgent need at that time. Demands for foodstuffs were great and business was flourishing. After a year's successful operation of the grocery he started the feed business in 1919, devoting his time and efforts to this business exclusively until three years ago when he opened the Ratliff & Campbell grocery store, adjoining the feed store. Ray Campbell is associated with him in the grocery business, and both concerns are enjoying much prosperity at this time.

Mr. Ratliff's family consists of a wife and one young son, Master James Wilson Ratliff, who is now four years old. They have an attractive home on Eastland hill, conveniently located directly opposite the two places of business.

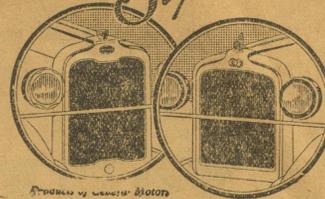
For the last five years Mr. Ratliff has been a steward in the Methodist church, and he is also a Royal Arch Mason, and member of the Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants' association.

In a quiet, unpretentious manner, Mr. Ratliff takes an active part in the civic affairs of the community, supporting worth while organizations, and contributing to worthy charities. His even disposition and unassuming manner are his most admirable characteristics and have helped to make him one of the most valuable citizens, as well as successful business men, that Ranger has developed since the memorable boom.

Clare Dux, the opera singer, is going to marry a millionaire, showing Chicago has some smart Dux.

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These pictures illustrate effectively why J. M. White & Company is so extensively patronized by the feminine population of the city.

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- Boyd Welsh Shoes
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EXIDE BATTERY COMPANY RENDERS SERVICE WORTH WHILE FOR ITS PATRONS

The Exide Battery company, owned and operated by J. S. Reynolds and C. L. Childs, who represent the very greatest of efficiency and extensive experience in the line of work which they so successfully do. They have both lived in Ranger for several years during which time they have built up a large acquaintanceship and have established themselves in a personal as well as business way in the community.

Mr. Reynolds is a native Texan, born and reared in Weatherford. For several years he worked in the battery and electrical departments of garages of that city, acquiring a knowledge of the business that was to later aid him in reaching a conspicuous success. In 1920 he came to Ranger, working with a local battery company until he went in business for himself.

Mr. Childs came to Ranger at an earlier period, during the most active



—Photo by Kinberg
J. S. REYNOLDS



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C. L. CHILDS

booms days of 1919. He came from Denning, N. M., where he was engaged in the garage business, and during the war he was employed by the government in the contracting department, and later by the United States public health service. He was born in Iowa but located in the southwest in 1908.

Worked Selves Up.
After coming to Ranger Mr. Childs worked in local garages for several years, and it happened that one time he was working in a shop next door to a place where Mr. Reynolds worked. An acquaintance started, and since both men are endowed with likeable personalities, and are experts along the same line of business, they found a common bond of friendship which later developed to their mutual benefit.

In 1924 the two young men formed a partnership and opened a battery and electric shop which has become recognized as one of the foremost in the county. They are in a large building, 50 by 120 feet, opposite the Texas & Pacific station. This building houses a fully and modernly equipped shop, which is prepared to give first class service, the machinery and equipment being in keeping with the kind of work which the owners are capable of rendering.

Eight-Hour Machines.
The company has an eight-hour recharging machine with a capacity of 20 batteries a day, and they carry a complete line of Exide batteries, both for sale and for rental, or service purposes. All repair work is done by experienced men who turn out uniformly first class work, and in

every instance work from the shop is guaranteed to be satisfactory.

The starter and generator repair department consists of the most modern equipment. A Service Products company's test bench serves the useful purpose of testing for short circuits, and a starter can be tested for the amount of current it takes from the battery and the power is developed. Distributor units and magnets can also be tested. Other equipment in the department consists of precision lathes for turning shafts and armatures, and various meters which are very sensitive are used to test minute flows of current. Discovering the real trouble in battery and electrical work is like diagnosing a case of illness, and these partners are experts in finding out what is the matter, before attempting a repair. And after discovering the "ailment," they are well qualified to prescribe the "cure."

All the equipment used in the shop is according to factory standards and specifications. The firm repairs Moon and Pyle National oil field generators, and is fully equipped to overhaul this machinery.

The Exide Battery company also maintains a vulcanizing plant, and sells standard tires and tubes. In addition to the work already enumerated, the company does all kinds of repair work on radios, and on vacuum cleaners, sewing machine motors, magnetos, oscillators, and all electric devices from the household and the oil field can be given first class repair work at this shop.

The policy of giving guaranteed satisfaction on all work is one of the features that has built the firm up to a place of importance in the business world of Ranger.

TWO KINDS

Little Louis had gone to the kitchen to observe old Aunt Sarah, the colored cook, at work making biscuits. After he had sampled one, he observed:

"Aunt Sarah, I can spell now. These are made out of d-o, do."

But that doesn't spell dough," Louis, mother corrected, as she entered the kitchen to give the cook some orders.

Whereupon Aunt Sally thought that she, too, would enter the discussion. So she said: "There's two kinds of do, eh, do. 'Do,' what you shuts, and 'do' what you eats."—Philadelphia Ledger.

NEW MARSTON BUILDING LEADS IN APARTMENTS

The Marston Building was one of the first of the handsome and substantial structures to be erected in Ranger after the discovery of oil several years ago. It was built under considerable difficulty at a time when labor and material were both scarce and high, and the cost of putting up the building approximated \$100,000. It has since stood as a monument to the confidence with which business interests at that time viewed the future Ranger—a confidence which the city has since amply justified.

The building is owned by Edgar L. Marston of Fort Worth, one of the officers of the Texas Pacific Oil and Oil Company, and one of the most prominent capitalists in the state.

The dimensions of the building are 100x150 feet, and some of the foremost business concerns of the city are its occupants, among them being the Oil Cities Electric Co., M. K. Collie Insurance Co., Street Motor Co. and Oilfield Ignition Co. Part of the building is also arranged into convenient apartments which are occupied by prominent business men of the city. The building is one of the largest and finest in Ranger, and is also the home of the Ranger public library, and headquarters for the Ranger Independent School district.



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J. M. DODSON

J. M. Dodson is agent for the Marston Building, a position which he has for some time successfully filled. He is a native of Tennessee but has lived in Texas since his childhood, coming with his father, the late Dr. J. E. Dodson, who arrived in the state in '89, becoming one of the pioneers of Vernon. Dr. Dodson was a prominent physician and surgeon in the early days of West Texas, and remained active until his death about two years ago.

Mr. Dodson attended school in Vernon and later became connected with the state banking department. It was in this position that he came to Ranger as liquidating agent for the Guaranty State Bank. He remained with the institution until he organized the Ranger State Bank in 1922. Since selling out his interests in this bank he has been connected with the Ranger Independent School District as tax assessor and collector.

Mr. Dodson's family consists of a wife and three lovely little daughters to whom he extremely devoted. In appreciation of this devotion, one of his friends recently told this little anecdote: An acquaintance, commenting on Mr. Dodson's family said, "But haven't you anything except girls?" To which Mr. Dodson replied, "Why we have EVERYTHING but boys."

SUCCESS CROWNS EFFORTS OF YOUNG MEN WHO FATHER THE RANGER SHOE STORE

The Ranger Shoe Company, is owned and managed by H. O. Pope and W. O. Brown, two popular and capable young business men of the city. The store was opened March 2, of this year, and on account of being so recently established, there is nothing in stock but the newest of styles. The store carries complete lines of the highest grades of shoes for men, women and children, all up-to-date and splendid quality.

Mr. Brown has lived in Ranger



—Photo by Kinberg
H. O. POPE

three years, coming here to be associated with Mr. A. Joseph and Mr. Hassen in the Boston Store, after being in their employ at Mexia for two previous years. During his service with them in the shoe department he made many acquaintances and friends in Ranger, which have proved quite a business asset since starting in for himself. He has a wife and son, and is a popular member of the Lions Club.

Mr. Pope came to Ranger from Ardmore, Oklahoma, two years ago. While a resident of Ardmore he was auditor for an oil company there, and upon locating in Ranger he became cashier at the Boston Store. He belongs to the Masonic Lodge and American Legion. During the war Mr. Pope was in service for 13 months, ten of which was over seas, with the 36th division. He saw 30 days action in the front lines, but good fortune attended him to the extent that he escaped without a scratch. Mr. Pope is unmarried. He is also young, good-looking, and successful, one of the most attractive bachelors of the city.

Assisting in the sales of the Ranger Shoe company is J. R. Hancock,



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W. O. BROWN

of the Joseph Dry Goods Company.

Success Crown Efforts

On account of their wide business experience in the city, and their many friends, the managers of the firm are enjoying a especially successful business.

"We opened with a complete line of new styles, and we haven't one old shoe in the store," Mr. Brown said. This insured our customers, not only the most fashionable shoes that the market has to offer, but also the satisfaction of knowing that there is no shelfworn merchandise in our store.

Standard Brands

"We handle the Smaltz, Goodwin, Queen Quality, E. P. Reed, and Holters lines, as well as the Irving Drew Arch Rest, which are especially suited to weak or tender feet, or for those who stand or walk a great deal. They correct and prevent fallen arches, and are made on combination lasts which insure comfort and also cause the shoes to retain their shape."

"We are exclusive agents for the Robin Hood and Helmholz shoes for children, and we carry a nice line of dress shoes for men ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$8.50."

Shoes Fit to Wear

Mr. Pope also states that it is the policy of the company to fit shoes as they should be fitted, and adds: "Our customers must receive the quality and service that the purchase price should buy."

The store carries the Rollins Double Run-Stop Hose. Stocks are displayed in large, attractive show windows and glass cases, and the shelves are filled with wide selections

RANGER RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION SHOWS STEADY GROWTH IN PAST FOUR YEARS

The Ranger Retail Merchants' association was organized in May, 1920, with J. F. (Jelks) Castellaw as the first president, and M. O. Burt as the first secretary. It received its charter from the secretary of state in March, 1922, and has grown steadily until it is an organization of which every town, though many times the size of Ranger, should feel justly proud.

The association is owned and operated by the merchants of Ranger for their service and protection. The purpose is to make it easier for those who are entitled to credit and harder for those who are not. This association has the name over the state of Texas as being one of the most efficient in the state and the merchants and secretary have been endeavoring to live up to this reputation and to make the business one which every community should feel proud to own.

Membership.
The membership is composed of merchants in the following businesses: Dry goods companies, groceries, automobile companies, bankers, furniture, hardware, insurance companies, confectioneries, lumber companies, filling stations, garages, supply houses, wholesale houses, physicians, dentists, public utilities, loan companies, bakeries, dry cleaning plants, in fact every line of business in the town is represented in the organization and the membership represents Ranger's best and most progressive merchants in all lines.

Co-operative.
Every local association of which there are 180 in the state of Texas alone, co-operates with the state association, our home office being in San Antonio, Texas, for the purpose of locating so-called "skips," assists in the collection of accounts and interchanges credit information.

The office of the Retail Merchants' association is the "clearing house" for the merchants and is the credit and investigating bureau for its members who use it when they open a new account; when an account is slow and they wish to know why; when they have lost the address of a customer; when a stranger wishes to pass a check; when they need the services of a notary public; when they need help to collect an account; if they want to know about a collection agency; if they want to know about an applicant for a position.

These and many other services are cheerfully given.

The association is an educational institution for the public as well as for the merchants. It educates the public to better realize the value of good credit and the importance of prompt payment of their accounts.

It educates the public to buy at home and to patronize home industries and is a very important factor in the development of the business life of the community.

The present board of directors are: J. M. White, D. Joseph, L. Davis, W. W. Housewright, J. T. Killingsworth, H. G. Adams, and R. R. Stafford, all active business men of Ranger and all of these men do a credit business, are vitally interested in this work.

Mrs. Alice D. True, the present secretary has been connected with the association for the past four years and while she gives the credit of the many worth while things that have been accomplished in that time to the merchants, she has really worked with them as a business friend and associate who knows and understands and who really has the merchants' interests at heart.

During the past 12 months, the association has collected several thousand dollars in slow accounts and checks, answered hundreds of inquiries and given numerous reports, all of which have added much valuable information to the files and been a great help to the merchants and the town.

of shoes for all ages, tastes and pocketbooks.

As the only exclusive shoe store in Ranger, owned and managed by two prominent, capable and substantial business men, the city might well be proud of the Ranger Shoe Company to which it has already extended its welcoming support in a most gratifying manner.

RANGER IS GROWING

The sole aim and object of this organization is to foster, protect, and aid the commercial, industrial, and civic interests of Ranger and nearby communities.

Conditions in Ranger are growing better daily.
Let's all work together for a bigger, better Ranger.

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Ranger, Texas

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A man's reward when he owns his home is—contentment. It means the excellent feeling of true happiness. We, who have been in the building business for years, will be pleased to show you the simple way to acquire the home you want. We have several plans to offer and shall be glad to send one of our representatives to see you.

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Southern Ice Utilities Head Popular Man

Gus Coleman, manager of the Southern Ice & Utilities company and Keen Bottling company, is one of the most popular and versatile of the city's young business men. He is not only a capable executive and manager but also a talented musician and one of the best ad writers in the state.



Photo by Kinberg
GUS COLEMAN

He has created wide publicity and attracted much favorable comment in a series of advertisements based on Solomon's proverbs which ran recently in the Ranger Times, and ice companies have on many occasions sent to the Southern Ice & Utilities from all over the United States asking for copies of the snappy and business-getting ads which Gus runs in connection with the business.

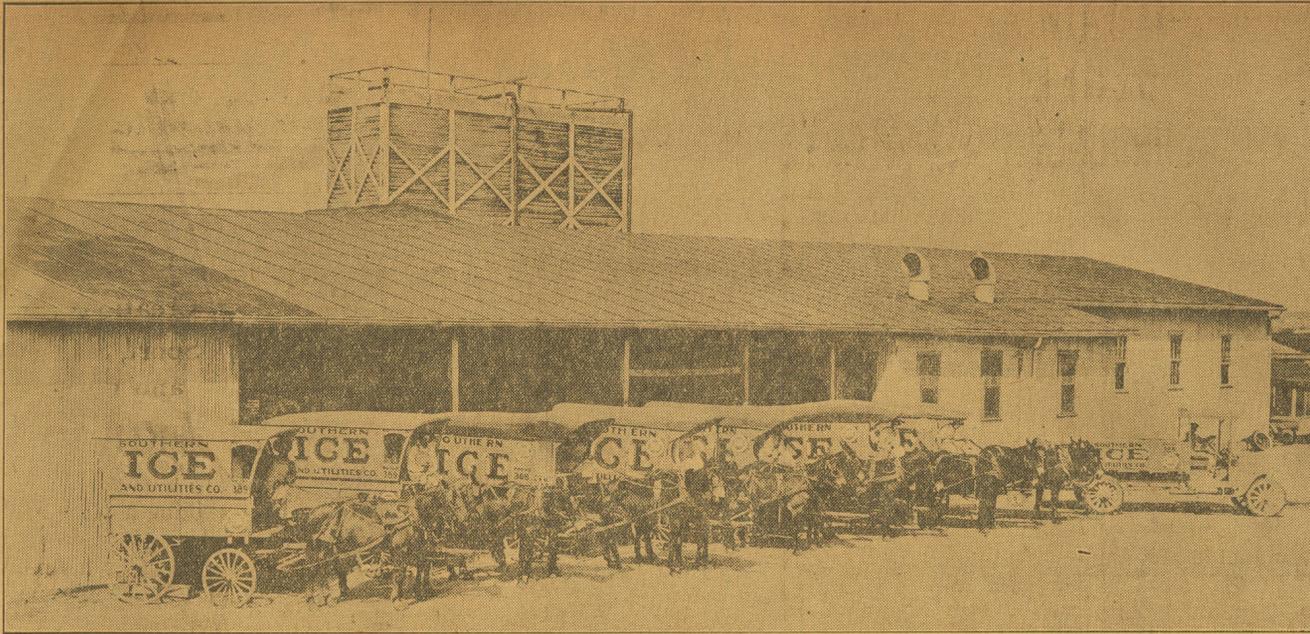
Mr. Coleman's orchestra, known as the Rainbow Serenaders, is one of the jazziest musical organizations in the state, and many a pair of Charlestoning feet have been inspired by the peppy tunes which the Serenaders turn out for dances in the oil field section.

The members of the orchestra, besides Mr. Coleman, who is business manager, director and banjoist, are: Rupert Murphy, Willis Cox, Jack Lillard, Ray Judia, and Paul Lacy.

In addition to the banjo, Mr. Coleman is accomplished on the fiddle, flute, drum and traps.

Gus is not an after-dinner speaker, but the "after-dinner" is the loser, for he has a clever line of humor that would be welcomed anywhere, from a Rotary luncheon to a convention banquet. Especially does he like to tell good ones in connection with Venus.

PLANT AND WAGONS OF SOUTHERN ICE AND UTILITIES COMPANY



The ice and refrigerating industry, in various phases, is said to date back for many centuries. Nero, according to historians, liked his drinks cold in summer-time, so he sent his slaves up into the Alps mountains to provide him with whatever ice was necessary to make life a comfort and a pleasure. And Cleopatra solved the problem of cooling her watermelons by having them dragged through the waters behind her barges as she floated down the Nile. But to the famous Englishman, Roger Bacon, goes the credit for having discovered and introduced to civilization the idea of protecting food by refrigeration.

Bacon Discoverer.
Bacon, so the story is told, at one time had a chicken which was dressed and ready for cooking, but which for some reason he could not immediately use. Being thrifty he did not want to waste the food, nor did he want to risk hanging it outside where the cold would preserve it, for fear of theft or some prowling animal. So he decided to experiment with the snow that had fallen overnight. He stuffed the chicken with the snow, and also packed snow closely around it, in an effort to keep it fresh.

Unfortunately he didn't live to eat the chicken, nor yet to find that his experiment was a success, for he contracted pneumonia as the result of going out in the snow to stuff his chicken, and in a short time died.

But his death was not in vain, for he discovered for posterity the use of refrigeration and the ice box in the modern home is more or less the direct outcome of Roger Bacon's successful, albeit disastrous, effort.

Of course, had Roger Bacon lived today, he would have had a different passing, for his chicken would have been placed in a modern refrigerator and he would not have taken cold from the snow. Nero and Cleopatra would have chilled their drinks and melons with ice, manufactured by the Southern Ice & Utilities company, had they made Ranger their home. For, since the days of the memorable boom, this company has been providing for the comfort of local citizens in a manner worthy of the town.

Efficiency Counts.
As all Ranger residents know, the Southern Ice & Utilities company has been efficiently operated ever since the time its construction began, by Gus Coleman, young, lieable, capable, original, one of the most popular of the city's younger business men. Mr. Coleman says:
"The ideal medium of refrigeration

is ice. First because of its economy. It pays for itself many times over in the food it saves. Second, because it maintains a circulation of air in refrigerators, and melting ice absorbs organic matter from the atmosphere in the refrigerator and removes it from the box. In other words, a refrigerator without a drain is like a house without a sewerage.

"In the so-called dry cold refrigerators there is a noticeable effect of drying out in the food placed therein, because of the cold coils constantly removing moisture from the atmosphere in the refrigerator. Nature replaces this moisture by evaporation from the foodstuffs.

"Ice is convenient because it never gets out of order. It is absolutely noiseless, requires no lubrication, and performs its function correctly, under all conditions. Sufficient attention however is not paid to the right kind of ice box. And comparisons of cost and efficiency are often made based on results obtained from a poor refrigerator, which is somewhat of an injustice to ice."

Improvements.
The last year has seen many improvements at the plant, including two new sets of ammonia condensers, and general overhauling, new tubes and boilers, rebuilt boiler settings, and improvements to the downtown retail station, which has recently been repainted, and provided with a concrete floor.

The company has added a three and a half ton Au tocar truck to its delivery equipment, besides two trucks and five wagons that have been in operation for some time.

This plant was built to take care of the needs of Ranger at the height of the boom. Construction work of all kinds was accomplished under great difficulty at that time. Without city streets, or country roads, the town suffered from the constant rains that fell in those early days of the boom, and the hauling of building material and equipment taxed the utmost ability of truck and man. But overcoming all difficulties, the plant was built, affording the surging throng of humanity with a sufficient supply of ice for their most exacting needs. Although constructed to accommodate a city of 50,000, the plant has remained to serve the smaller, but more substantial Ranger, which survived the boom.

SOUNDED THAT WAY
A lanky country youth entered the crossroads general store to order some groceries. He was seventeen years old and was passing through that age of adolescence during which a boy seems all hands and feet, and his vocal organs, rapidly developing are wont to cause his voice to undergo sudden and involuntary changes from high treble to low base.

In an authoritative rumbling bass voice he demanded of the busy clerk, "Give me a can of corn" (then, his

voice suddenly changing to a shrill falsetto, he continued) "and a sack of flour."

"Well, don't be in a hurry. I can't wait on both of you at once," snapped the clerk.

PAGE TWO SHEIKS
Jilted One: "Away with women!"
Jilted Two: "Wish I had it!"

New Home Beauty Parlor Attracts Distinctive Trade

A new home beauty parlor was recently opened in Ranger under the name of Mrs. Turner's Beauty shop, at 119 Elm street, opposite the post-office.

Mrs. J. E. Turner, the manager, was formerly of Fort Worth but has been in Ranger for nearly a year. Since the first of the year she was connected with the Dixon Beauty parlor, until going in business for herself.

Specializing in shampooing, marcelling, and the new finger-waving that is gaining such popularity, Mrs. Turner is in a position to render a valuable service to the Ranger women. She also does all kinds of facial work and manicuring. She has just completed a special course in beauty culture at Fort Worth, and is prepared to do anything in the beauty parlor line. Mrs. Turner has achieved much popularity during her residence here and has a big personal following among her customers who have already helped to make her new enterprise a success.

WAS AND IS NOT

A rich but very eccentric man died. The clergyman, who was young and new to the parish, thought it a fitting opportunity to call and comfort the widow. "You must not grieve," he said. "The body that lies here is not your husband. It is merely a husk, an empty shell. The nut has gone to heaven."

SUMMING UP

Rastus, what kind of chickens do you prefer?"
"Co'se they both has mighty good points. De white chickens is easy to locate but hard to hide. De black chickens is hard to locate but easy to hide."

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BOARD OF CITY DEVELOPMENT FATHERS ALL THINGS THAT WILL BENEFIT THE TOWN AND THE SURROUNDING TERRITORY

Community Good Will and Trade Trips Are Big Part of Work of the Organization; After Plants

The Ranger Board of City Development was brought into being last November when the City Commission of Ranger by petition a large number of the citizens of Ranger passed the ordinance creating the organization, as provided for in the City Charter.



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By C. C. PATTERSON

Similar Boards of City Development are in operation in Amarillo, Plainview, Lubbock, Cisco, San Angelo, Sweetwater, and Haskell just to mention a few of the cities in this state operating with a municipal Chamber of Commerce where they have met with approval.

The present officers and directors of the Ranger Board of City Development are: John M. Gholson, Oil operator, President; Dr. L. C. G. Buchanan, Ear, Eye and Nose Specialist, 1st Vice President, Chairman Agriculture Committee; S. A. Lillard, Jr., Vice President, Ranger State Bank, 2nd, Vice President, Chairman Civic Affairs and Education Committee; John Thurman, Vice President Southern Loan Co., Finance Director or Treasurer; S. P. Boon, Owner Ranger Dry Cleaning Plant, Chairman Welcome and Reception Committee; Jno. D. Sullivan, Auditor Wichita Falls, Ranger and Fort Worth Railroad, Chairman Legislative and Endorsement Committee; W. C. Hickey, Manager Walker-Smith Co., Chairman Convention and Entertainment Committee; W. W. Housewright, Vice President Citizens State Bank, Chairman Trade Development Committee; Ed. R. Maher, Leveille-Maher Motor Co., Chairman Publicity Committee; E. H. Mills, Mills Bros. Grocery, Chairman Live Stock and Poultry Committee; M. R. Newnam, President Oilbelt Motor Co., Chairman Good Road and Highway Committee; Saul Pearlstein, President The Globe, Inc., Chairman Transportation and Traffic Committee; L. R. Pearson, Attorney at Law, Chairman Oil, Gas and Gasoline Industries Committee; J. C. Smith, J. C. Smith Co., Chairman Industrial Committee and Hall Walker, Cashier Citizens State Bank, chairman Rural Phone Committee.

C. C. Patterson is the Secretary, Manager and Miss Jennie B. Rucker, Office Secretary.

Heads of Committees

Each of the directors (except the president) as enumerated above, is chairman of a committee in one of the fourteen sub-divisions of the work, and associated with them in this work an average of five citizens on each committee. This then is an active and widely represented body of business professional men work-

ing for the development of Ranger and its trade territory. Besides there are fourteen standing committees mentioned, there is a band committee consisting of Prof. Holloway, chairman, A. L. Larson, Harlow Durham, Walter Howell and R. Y. Galloway, which looks after the interest of the Ranger band.

The work of the Board of City Development and the Ranger Chamber of Commerce during the past year has been varied and of much value.

The completing the White Way on Main street, entertaining Ex-Ranger Association, distributing approximately 25,000 pieces of literature concerning Ranger during the year; securing analysis, freight rates and other facts concerning our natural resources for prospective investors; helping finance the Bankhead Poultry Produce Association; co-operating with the farmers and poultry men; making arrangements so that Ranger is represented by the team in the Oil Belt League; securing favorable press articles in State and National Magazines and trade publications; help finance and install the Eastland County Exhibit at the Dallas fair and Fort Worth Fat Stock Show; making trade trips to Caddo,

Chaney, Okra, Oak Ridge, Colony and other communities in our trade territory; sending representatives to Austin and working to secure designations of certain roads, furnishing tourist information to local citizens as well as travelers; entertaining Dallas Trade Trippers and other distinguished guests; co-operating with the Wichita Falls, Ranger and Fort Worth Railroad to the end that the general offices were located in an up-town office permanently; working to secure industrial projects, four of which at the present time are being given attention; working for an electric signal system at the Prairie crossing, are just a few of the many and varied duties performed by the local organization. At least ten or more inquiries from different sections are received by mail daily.

After Everything

No matter is too large or too small for this organization to work upon if it will help Ranger or its trade territory. In these days of strong competition between different communities, a city must grow and expand or perish.

The Ranger Board of City Development is the one organization in this community that devotes its entire time and energy to things that will make Ranger grow and prosper. There was a time when a community organization was not necessary to the advancement of a community. In this day and time however, any city, no matter how small, will be found to have an organization working for the interest of the community. There is no other today that can take its place, and the degree with which this work is done, is the difference between a live wide awake city and a deserted village.

Leaders

The officers and directors of the Ranger Board of City Development are among the leaders in their different lines of work, and by the ordinance passed by the city can be replaced should they not attend the semi-monthly meetings. They are ever ready to have any suggestion that may be for the good of our city.

Ranger at the present time is growing and conditions are getting better daily and there is no reason that Ranger should not continue to grow and maintain its rightful place as the leading community of this section. To that end and so that the commercial, industrial and civic interests of Ranger and her trade territory shall be fostered, protected and advanced, the Ranger Board of City Development is working. The officers and directors ask for and should have the support of all citizens of Ranger that realize that only in the continued growth and prosperity of Ranger will be found the equal growth and prosperity of their individual enterprises.

lived in Ranger for several years and held a position of travel salesman before joining the Rutherford force as car salesman.

The sales department is in charge of Dee Sanders, formerly with Leveille-Maher. Mr. Sanders is so well known in this territory he needs no introduction to the Ranger people. He has lived here since the boom and has built up a big following of friends, and has commanded the respect of his business associates throughout the section.

Supporting Mr. Sanders in the sales of the company are T. B. Scott, formerly with the Ranger State bank, and also well known in the county, where he was born and reared; John Dimmer, formerly with Leveille-Maher, and John Collins, who has

TOO BUSY

"Picked up any clues in that murder case yet?" asked the reporter.

"Wa-all," drawled the chief of police, as he scratched his official head, "the boys have been so busy lately enforcing the parkin' law, lookin' fer places where they sell real beer, keepin' an eye on the bathin' suits an' censurin' books an' movies, that they Laven't nacherly had time to get started on that."

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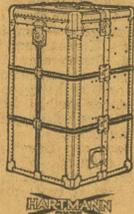
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RUTHERFORD MOTOR COMPANY ORGANIZATION HANDLE THE FAMOUS DODGE AUTOMOBILES

The Rutherford Motor company, which is the Ranger agency for Dodge cars, is owned by J. R. Rutherford, a resident of the city for the last two years and of the oil field section for eight or nine years.

The company was opened Nov. 20 of last year, and since the business was started it has enjoyed a gratifying success, due to the reputation of the car and the loyal support of the Ranger people. Since the first of this year the agency has enjoyed a \$100,000 business.

"We think we have the best value on the market," Mr. Rutherford said. "The Dodge is an old, standard make and has proven its reputation. We have more pounds of pressed steel on our car than there is in any other car in the world, regardless of price. The body is also of steel. And we have the most wonderful starting and ignition system of any car on the market. It is our honest belief that we can offer the purchaser a greater amount of value for the investment made than any other car that's manufactured. The Dodge is reasonable of purchase price and economical of operation, and today has a greater value than any other make in the used car market."

Practical Mechanic.

Mr. Rutherford operated a Dodge Bros. service station, under the name of the Ranger Motor Supply company, in the Westgate garage building. He was also connected with the Dodge business during his seven years' residence in Breckenridge. He was shop foreman for the Dodge Bros. agency there, and also worked in the Dodge Bros. service school. With this wide experience to back up his natural business ability and friendly personality, it is easy to understand why he is making such an immediate and conspicuous success in his newly opened agency.

Mr. Rutherford was born in Oklahoma, and came to Texas in 1908. He located at Comanche where he remained until the oil field of this section opened up.

The company is in a large and suitable building, substantially constructed of brick, at the corner of Pine and Austin. The show room has a 60-foot front, and the entire frontage is of plate glass. The floor of both the showroom and shop is of concrete.

Equipped Shop.

The shop is in charge of Mr. Burton, formerly of the Oilbelt Motor company. He is one of the best known mechanics in this section. Under his capable direction the shop is prepared to take care of any kind of Dodge service, from the smallest repair to the largest and most difficult jobs. The department is equipped with special tools for the handling of Dodge repairs. A sufficient line of parts

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BOSTON STORE DEMONSTRATION OF GRIT AND DETERMINATION OF LAD BORN IN FOREIGN LAND

John Hassen Aided Relative To Make Headway In Country

John Hassen, who has for some years been a partner in the Boston Store of Ranger, is now the sole owner of the company which he has made the center of a chain of ten stores known as the Hassen Company, at various points in Texas.

Most readers of the Ranger Times are familiar with the early history of the Boston Store and how it had its inception back in the stirring days of 1919, how step by step from a very modest beginning it has become one of the leading department stores in this section of Texas.

The far sighted business sagacity, the unswerving faith in Ranger as a logical business point, the wonderful purchasing facilities of this firm in New York and all other markets of the world, and with that indomitable will power of the members of this firm are all too well known to the citizenship of Ranger to need further comment here, therefore we will pass lightly over this part of the story and deal more fully in things present and future.

As was announced in a recent issue of this paper, John Hassen has now purchased the interest of his



—Photo by Kinberg
JOHN HASSEN

partner, A. Jochek and has assumed complete control of the Ranger

house, the Boston Store. While Mr. Hassen has for years been a full partner with Mr. Joseph in the Boston Store and has always called Ranger his home, his interests at other places has kept him out of the regular management of this house and therefore we deem it fit and proper to deal in this article with the present Boston Store, its relations to all of the other houses now owned personally by Mr. Hassen as well as a short sketch of Mr. Hassen himself.

Foreign Born

Mr. Hassen like many other foreign born boys early in life had a vision of a home across the seas, a country where industry, thrift and righteousness always meets a just reward and when only a mere lad and with no other aid except an untiring will power and a rugged constitution, he landed in New York, ten thousand miles from his native home alone and with only a very limited amount of cash left in his pocket.

Mr. Hassen's early experiences in America while like many others who have done likewise is very interesting and also in many cases very pathetic. His rebuffs and ups and downs are all good material for a story writer themselves and still during all of these trying times he kept his eyes riveted upon his goal and his rapid rise after once he made a beginning is a good object lesson for all youths starting out in life.

Oklahoma

It was finally in Sulphur, Oklahoma, that he began to realize his dreams and today there stands upon the square and principal business street of that city, a beautiful brick block housing not only a model department store but also in the corner is located the Farmers National Bank. These are the fruits of Mr. Hassen's early toil.

Not only has Mr. Hassen been a builder and a man of civic pride but

he has always paid strict attention to agriculture and it was during his career in Oklahoma that he acquired large cotton gin holdings and several productive farms.

We must say in passing that although he has met with success in almost all of his endeavors, Mr. Hassen never forgot a friend and there are many today who owe their start in life to his beneficence. It seems to be part of his very being to wish to assist and help others who are worthy and are really trying to better their lot in life.

Aided Nephew

It was while in the Sulphur, Oklahoma store that a kinsman of his, a nephew, F. N. Hassen, then a lad in-knee trousers came to him from their native land and after giving him every advantage for a thorough education took him under his care and guidance and from the careful tutelage of Mr. John Hassen, F. N. in a surprisingly short time emerged an excellent dry goods man, buyer and manager and has made his home with his uncle continuously since as sales man, assistant and manager in the various branches.

This leads us up to Mr. Hassen's advent into Ranger and his partnership with Mr. Joseph in the Boston Store. About this time the Sulphur store had been put upon a sure footing and placed under the competent hands and Mr. Hassen began to cast an eye toward Texas and during the oil boom appeared upon the scene in Ranger and here joined Mr. Joseph who at that time needed some one to help in the management and buying for his store which had out-grown all bounds of reason in those "mad years of flowing gold" and from that time up to the present except for short intervals at Mexico and other places where he personally, and the firm, were placing branch stores, Mr. Hassen has made Ranger his home and shared in many of its enterprises.

The firm proper now since Mr. Hassen has purchased Mr. Joseph's interest will conduct their buying a little differently and will give Mr. Hassen a free hand to shift stocks at will and it was this object in view which prompted Mr. Hassen in making the change.

Distributing Point

Mr. Hassen has for some time past seen the need of a center for all of his stores in different parts of Texas, San Angelo, Sweetwater, Floydada, Breckenridge and others under contemplation and by being sole owner of all his stores enables him to use the Ranger house as a receiving and a distributing point.

It is a very significant fact that each and every one of his branch stores, wherever situated are all enjoying the best of trade and are all in a most prosperous condition.

In speaking of the outlook for Ranger Mr. Hassen says prospects never were brighter and for the Boston Store he has mapped out in his mind many changes and improvements.

Because of operating ten stores the company receives the same prices on their purchases as a wholesale jobber would, thereby enabling them to quote close prices to their customers.

Secretary True Keeps Business Houses Posted

Mrs. Alice D. True, secretary of the Retail Merchants Association of Ranger, came from Goree, Knox County, Texas, where she taught in the high school at that place for several years, in August, 1918, and has seen the beautiful little city grow from an oil boom town when every day was like a circus day and when a horse and sled were used to ferry passengers across the muddy streets for 5c each way, into a modern city which has every convenience of many larger towns and feels glad to call



MRS. ALICE D. TRUE

Ranger, the "city of flowing gold," her home.

She has been secretary of the Retail Merchants Association for two years, being assistant to the former secretary and prior to that time did office work for some of the larger Supply Companies here, also worked for a time in the First National Bank of Ranger.

Mr. True has been with the Frick-Reid Supply company for the past eight years and they now own their home in the Gholson Addition, a modern bungalow which is really a haven of rest after a day spent in the office.

Mrs. True has been called "The Business Man's Friend," and business men of the town, both members and non-members feel that they owe a large part of their success to her untiring efforts and service which is always so cheerfully given. She really tries her best at all times to give "service with a smile," and feels that giving this real service to the public had been the principal factor in the growth and success of the Retail Merchants Association and endeavors at all times to remember the motto

ADAMS & COMPANY HANDLE ONLY BEST IN GROCERY LINES

Tea Garden preserves and Chase & Sanborn's coffee are only two of the nationally advertised products that have played their part in the success of Adams & Co. Their very names suggest quality—just as Adams & Co. stands for the highest type of grocers.

It is not all of a store to fill its shelves with goods, to equip it with the latest ice refrigeration, nor the newest furniture and fixtures. These things lend to its attractiveness and to its sanitary reputation, but its type and character of the goods on the shelves, their guarantee of safety to the consumer, their standing before one sentinel like, not posing as "just as good," but as "the best," that make the sum and total of a good grocery store, such as Adams is.

There is a certain amount of romance about a grocery store. It's not all flour, sugar and bacon—but there are spices that hint of Araby, golden citrus fruits from Florida and California, apples from Washington and Oregon, dates and olives from sunny Italy, pimentos from Peru, canned goods from all the states of the union, fragrant coffees from Brazil, teas from China, all bought by the buyer for the consumption of many different tastes.

Service Supreme

Then there is the "service above self" element, for no man who works from 10 to 14 hours a day, can be living for self alone—he lives for service. It is not only his work to provide his customers with the best, but to take their order correctly, fill them accurately and deliver them speedily. It is the steady and unflinching attention to these things that has made for the success of Adams & Co., during all the years of their business life in Ranger.

Adams & Co., was opened here in 1920 by H. G. Adams and J. S. Echols and was known as Adams & Echols. A veritable "hole in the wall" was their first venture, but it grew and it grew and it grew until the firm today, which has Mr. Adams as an active partner and Tom Bray, wealthy contractor, as a silent partner, now is housed in a two-story brick building on South Rusk street,

of the organization, "A Square Deal to All."

Her sunny disposition and optimistic view of life which prompts her to always see the sunny side of life and forget the unpleasant side, has endeared her to the hearts of many both in her business and social life and she counts her friends by the hundreds. She takes real joy in her work for the business men and women of Ranger and really believes and practices this slogan: "This Service Spells Success."

with a frontage of 75 feet.

A peculiar thing about this location. After the boom receded, a fire left the building on the corner from their store vacant, then another fire caused the old Liberty theatre right next door to be abandoned and for at least two years this store remained practically isolated from other business houses. It did not Mahomet-like move to the trade, but its trade came to it, and today, since better times have filled up the empty spaces, it stands the center of a busy block, as a firm sure of holding its own regardless of the changes in neighborhoods.

Mr. Adams, the manager, is a native of Rome, Ga., and until the world war broke out he lived in that old southern city—but after the war, he, like many another soldier boy, came to Ranger, the end of the rainbow, and he has found possibly not a pot of gold at rainbow's end, but more substantial things, a charming wife, a good business and friends by the score.

Delicatessen Is Mecca For Traveling Men

The Delicatessen, which is located at 112 Main street, is one of the few remaining landmarks of "the good old days," when beverages much more ambitious than the one-half of one per cent prescribed at present by constitutional amendment, flowed freely across the polished counter, to the accompaniment of free lunch.

Save for the swinging doors and the sawdust on the floor, the place might still be an old-fashioned saloon, for the spacious bar and the bright foot-rail remain unchanged. But under the modern conditions the popular little lunch room has been converted into a place where ladies enjoy eating, as well as the men do, and tables to accommodate the feminine patronage are arranged along the walls.

Here one finds the most toothsome of sandwiches made of ham-on-rye, fancy sausages, all kinds of cheese, and the other foodstuffs found in a high class delicatessen. There is also a large assortment of refreshing cold drinks, and Budweiser in bottles or on tap.

The business is owned by Frank Hunder, H. Gaupp, and Charlie Overbush, three experts in the sandwich line, who came here from Dallas at the beginning of the boom, selling soft drinks, and later adding the delicatessen line. The managers are popular with the Ranger public, and the little eat emporium enjoys a big patronage and prosperous business.

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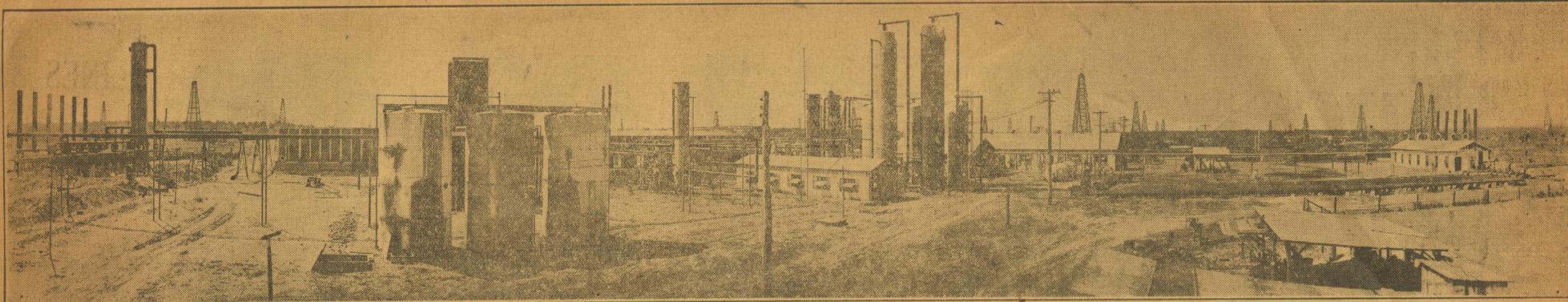


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Citizens State Bank

RANGER

MADDOCKS CAME IN BOOM TIME TO MAKE MONEY



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C. E. MADDOCKS

One of the oldest and most prominent real estate and insurance companies in the oil field section is owned by C. E. Maddocks and F. A. Maddocks, who operate under the firm name of Maddocks & Son. The two men are popular and prominent in Ranger on the surrounding territory, and their history in the city is closely identified with the progress and development of the town.

C. E. Maddocks, the father, was making a motor tour with a party of friends and had reached Fort Worth at the time the boom "broke out," in the summer of 1919. The famous oil fields of Texas were attracting national attention so Mr. Maddocks, and his friends, who represented various business interests in the state of Colorado, decided to make a side trip to Ranger and find out what it was all about.

money-grobbers folded their tents like the Arabs and as silently stole away. Not so with C. E. Maddocks, however, for, declaring that he liked the town, the climate and the people, he remained to become one of the city's most substantial business men and one of the real foundations upon which the present prosperous town was built.

Mr. Maddocks' family consists of a wife and five children. Mrs. Maddocks is active in church and school work and has been prominent in the development of Mothers' Clubs and was elected state president of the Texas Congress of Mothers. The sons and daughters are: Arthur, who operates a filling station at Cross Plains; Raymond, who is a public accountant at Los Angeles; Gladys, a student at C. I. A., in Denton; Marjorie, a Ranger high school girl, and F. A. Maddocks, who is associated with his father in business.

Young Mr. Maddocks was born in Colorado Springs in 1901, and was graduated from the Colorado schools in 1921. Immediately afterwards he joined his father in Ranger, working on a salary until 1923 when he was taken in the business as a full partner. He has charge of the insurance department of the company, which carries all lines. The growth of the insurance department since he took it over in 1923 has trebled in volume, while the real estate has increased something like 10 times in volume since that time, due to the returning prosperity of the town, and the steady expansion of the firm.



Photo by Kinberg
F. A. MADDOCKS

"Business conditions are more active now than they have been since the boom, and indications seem to point to a continuance of this activity," Mr. Maddock said. In the summer of 1924 he returned to his former home in Colorado where he was married to an old school mate who has since become very popular among the younger matrons and girls of the city.

PASHALLS HOLD HIGH POSITION BUSINESS WORLD

The Simpson & Henshaw store, popularly known as the S. & H. Store is one of the city's most progressive shopping centers, so far as the ladies of the community are concerned, for



W. W. PASCHALL

here one finds the most exclusive of ladies ready-to-wear garments in the oil field section, at intriguing prices, and under the personal management of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Paschall, who have been identified with the foremost business life of the community since 1919.

The store is ideally located in the newly erected brick structure known as the Queen building at 303 Main street on the site of the McCleskey hotel which burned down several years ago. With the rapid development of Ranger the business section of the city is extending out Main street, so that the S. & H. Store is in the very heart of the new business district, and is the pioneer ladies' clothing store in the neighborhood. The store is large, well lighted, and splendidly arranged for the display of dresses, hats, shoes and other wearing apparel for women. The stocks are large and modern and the store which made a distinctive impression upon its opening, has rapidly gained in public favor ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Paschall, before coming to Ranger, were active in the business world of Ardmore, Okla., where Mr. Paschall was in the banking business for nine years and his wife in charge of the ladies ready-to-wear department of the J. C. Penny company.

Came Here in 1919

In 1919 they severed their Ardmore connections in order to come to Ranger, where Mr. Paschall became bookkeeper and cashier for the Boston Store, a position he held for



MRS. W. W. PASCHALL

nearly six years, and Mrs. Paschall took charge of the ready-to-wear department at Joseph's. About a year ago Mr. Paschall became head of the shoe department at the J. M. White store, remaining until April 1 of this year when he became associated with the S. & H. Store.

In the meantime Mrs. Paschall was employed by the old S. & H. Store which operated here for some time as a clothing store for men, women and children. She had charge of the ladies' department until the store was liquidated and went into the chain of Crest stores.

Last fall, however, the Simpson & Henshaw company was again opened with Mrs. Paschall in charge, and under her management the business immediately prospered, and today has one of the biggest patronages of any ladies ready-to-wear stores in the section. At the time Mr. Paschall also joined the business a splendid line of ladies novelty shoes and luggage was added.

Beautiful Home

Mr. and Mrs. Paschall own their own home and several pieces of rent property. Because a city usually prides itself upon its attractive residences, as well as prosperous business firms, it is appropriate to inject into this article a description of the Paschall home. It has what is said to be one of the prettiest lawns and flower gardens in the city, with 15 fine rose bushes lending their beauty and fragrance to the neighborhood, while a splendid array of shrubbery is an added feature. But, that their property might be useful as well as ornamental, they have not overlooked the advantage of growing foodstuffs as well as flowers. "I gathered fresh dewberries for

a pie from the bushes in my backyard this morning," Mr. Paschall recently told a friend. And they also pick in season a variety of fruits, including peaches, pears, apricots, plums and cherries from their own orchards. They even have a pecan and persimmon tree.

On this very desirable piece of property they raise a nice flock of thoroughbred barred rocks, so that fresh eggs and fryers find their way regularly to the Paschall table.

Works In Yard

So interested is Mr. Paschall in his home and its valuable surroundings, he looks upon the work done in his yard as his most pleasant recreation. He finds nothing so refreshing, after a day at the store, as mowing his lawn and declaring war on an ambitious weed that might dare to put in its appearance. Because he takes so much pride in his home he spends little time on outside diversions.

With their many friendships, and their pronounced domestic as well as business characteristics, Mr. and Mrs. Paschall are easily identified as

foremost among Ranger's most popular and substantial citizens. Mrs. Paschall has had 20 years experience in the ladies' ready-to-wear field, while Mr. Paschall's connections both with the banking and clothing business, combines to make a team of managers destined to bring the business they represent to a steadily increasing success.

The firm takes its name from J. D. Simpson who has been located in the general merchandise business in Clinton, Okla., where he has met with pronounced success for the last 30 years, and T. E. Henshaw, formerly of Ranger and now of Abilene. Mr. Henshaw was manager of the old S. & H. Store here before it went into the chain of Crest stores. Like both Mr. and Mrs. Paschall he is quite well known here and visits the city frequently looking after his local interests.

Why is it a man can't try to wax the floors himself without his wife waxing sarcastic?

Good Highways Improve Standards Of Modern Schools

By United Press.

RICHMOND, Va.—Improvements in America's educational standards can be traced directly to good roads, according to H. G. Shirley, president of the American Road Builders Association.

"The children of today have an opportunity to attend good schools regardless of weather conditions, even in the most remote regions of the country," Shirley said. "This regular and increased attendance has made it possible for better teachers to be employed, larger and more modern schools constructed, and conditions of study generally improved." The consolidated school system in many states has resulted from the

good roads movement, according to Shirley. He said in Mississippi more than 72,000 children are taken to school daily over the highways. North Carolina has 1,000,000 miles of roads, and India a about 41,000. As an appreciation of the good roads movement, the school children of the country will be asked to celebrate "Good Roads Week" from January 10 to 15, 1927, appropriate exercises. At that time the annual convention and road show of the American Road Builders Association will be in session in Chicago.

LEGS CRUSHED IN STUNT

By United Press.

RANGOON.—After supporting on his chest a Ford car full of passengers and a 3,000 pound stone, Sazang Ahsrafali, the "Indian Sandow," prepared for a great test. As he lay on his back a motor roller was hoisted over him to be lowered on his chest. The roller slipped and fell, crushing his legs terribly.



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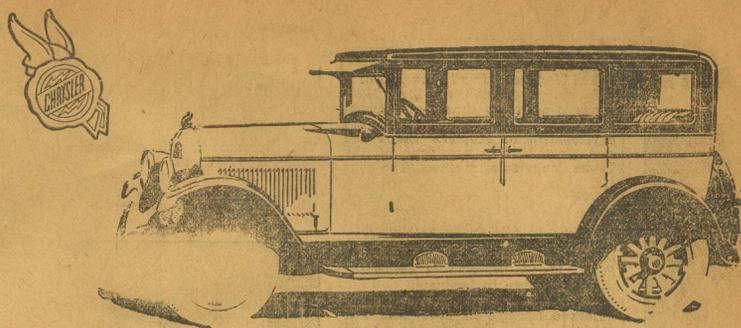
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THARPE FURNITURE COMPANY IS AN ASSET TO RANGER AND THE OIL BELT, SUPPLIES NEWLY WEDS WITH BEST HOME FURNISHINGS

CARRY STOCKS TO SUIT ALL POCKETBOOKS FROM RICHEST TO THE POOR

Head Of Concern Is
Native Of Tennessee;
Here During the Boom

Ranger is fortunate in possessing, in the Tharpe Furniture Company, a business firm that is high class, substantial, and consistently fair in its dealings. At the head of this splendid store is T. B. Tharpe, of whom it can be conscientiously said there is no better business man, or finer individual, in the city. While in his son and partner, Sam L. Tharpe, Ranger can boast one of the most prominent of the young business men in the oil field section.

It is indeed gratifying that in a town the size of Ranger there is a store devoted exclusively to furniture, that can rival similar concerns in any neighboring metropolis. Although the larger cities may have bigger stocks, none of them has any finer selections than can be found at Tharpe's. The writer of this article saw going out of Tharpe's the other day, one of the handsomest dining room suites it has ever been her privilege to see; the kind of furniture that well might grace the most elaborate display at the Texas State Fair in Dallas, where the very latest development of the furniture market is shown each year. That furniture like this should be delivered to a Ranger home, from a Ranger firm, is indeed a tribute to the confidence which this store places in the town, and the citizens, place in the store.

Parlor to Kitchen
The slogan of the company is, "We furnish from the parlor to the kitchen," and in the ample stock can be found goods to suit any taste and pocketbook. Just as they can provide suitable furniture for the wealthiest homes in the exclusive city additions, so can they give to the bride and groom with limited income, the kind of furniture to meet the requirements of their little house or apartment or housekeeping rooms which they can afford to buy, and at the same time feel a pride in, for although reasonable it is still pretty as well as serviceable.



T. B. THARPE

A wide variety of furniture is found at Tharpe's. Handsome and expensive living room suites of creosian or mahogany, exquisitely upholstered, or wicker, gay with chintz, or substantial oak with davenettes that can convert a parlor into a sleeping room. Charming little breakfast sets in the colorful finishes suggestive of the Japanese, or little drop-leaf tables that can be pulled out at mealtime, and pushed back in the corner or against the wall when not in use, thereby economizing in space here the apartment is very small. Kitchen furniture that is especially convenient with compact cabinets that save the housewife many needless steps, and the sort of stove that is every woman's pride.

Floor Coverings
Floor coverings, from the most expensive Wiltons, to the cheerful linoleums. Tharpe's is said to have the biggest stock of rugs in this part

of the country. At one time a customer of the store wanted two matched Wiltons for adjoining room and was told he couldn't be suited this side of Fort Worth. But when he went to Tharpe's he found just what he wanted and it didn't take long to close the sale.

The Tharpe store is the oldest house in Ranger under one continuous management. It was established here in 1918, immediately following the discovery of oil. Quoting Mr. Tharpe:

"We realized there was wonderful opportunity here and we came before the rush. But by the middle of November the wells then drilling began to come in two or three a day, and Ranger went wild. The population began increasing until it reached 50,000 people."

When the store first located here it was owned by the Wright Furniture Co., of Sweetwater, and Mr. Tharpe was the manager. Later he became a partner, and finally the owner. Which is a tribute to the business integrity, and splendid character of Mr. Tharpe, whose capable hand guided the business through its first great success, and then the depression that followed the boom when every bank in Ranger went broke and the town operated on the script basis, and finally brought the business to its ultimate and splendid substantial condition.

Boom Times Recalled

The store, during the early boom days, was kept open from 7 a. m. until midnight, seven days a week, for boom towns know no Sabbath. Big sales were made to oil companies, supplying furniture for the offices that were scattered over the town, in hotel rooms and lobbies, and at the plants. The store also furnished the quickly constructed homes and bunk houses in the fields. These houses had from 25 to 50 beds. And the many rooming houses springing up all over town made heavy demands on the furniture store, whose sales were running as high as \$3,000 a day. In order to accommodate the demands the company was compelled to operate three retail houses and a large warehouse at one time and had standing orders for furniture from the wholesalers and manufacturers at Dallas, Fort Smith, St. Louis and Kansas City. That order was briefly stated. It said: "Send all the furniture you can." It will be remembered that in those days demands on all lines were greater than the supply, and shipping conditions were terribly congested. The furniture jobbing companies, knowing the conditions existing here, sent furniture in carload lots without waiting for orders, and when the goods arrived it

POPULAR YOUTH QUITS SCHOOL TO OPEN BUSINESS

Sam Starr, the popular and efficient manager of The Fair Dry Goods Store, is the youngest business man in Ranger, and probably in



SAM STARR

was often unloaded from the cars and delivered direct, without even going through the company's warehouse.

Born in Tennessee

The store is in a large, well-lighted building on Main street, with adequate windows for a pleasing display of stocks, and the interior of the store is a splendid show room.

Mr. Tharpe was born in Paris, Tenn., and educated in Bethel college at McKenzie, Tenn. His various business experiences include farming, ranching, a drug store, hardware and general merchandise business, before entering the furniture business which he has followed so successfully. The steady expansion of the Tharpe Furniture Company, is due in a big measure to the wide experience and executive ability of the manager who is one of Ranger's most distinguished citizens, a real Southern gentleman of the old school, a type that is now as delightful as it is rare. His characteristics embody a kindliness of spirit and uprightness of dealing that make him admired by all of Ranger.

The younger Mr. Tharpe, like his father, was born in Tennessee. He was brought up in Sweetwater, where he also received his education, and was associated with his father in business there before coming to Ranger. He is now 30 years old and possessed of the same general business and personal characteristics that have distinguished his splendid father.

Eastland county. He is only 19 years old, and on account of not being of age it was necessary for him to go to Eastland and have the courts remove his disabilities as a minor so that he could legally conduct his business, make contracts and otherwise enjoy the privileges of a man past 21 years old.

Up until the last year Mr. Starr was a student in the Ranger High School where he distinguished himself in athletics. He was a member of the football squad where his big frame and splendid physique were a valuable asset to his school. It was a great disappointment to his fellow students when he gave up his school work for a business career, but his wide popularity has proved quite an advantage to the young merchant in bringing about the success of The Fair store. He is also a member of the Salesmen's team of the City League and is recognized as a baseball player of promise. The Fair was opened the latter

part of March and carries a large, clean, fresh line of merchandise of the very latest style. The stocks include dry goods, ladies ready-to-wear, millinery, men's clothing, children's clothing, shoes, luggage and so forth. Mr. Starr formerly worked for his father, who is a prominent Ranger merchant, thereby gaining an experience in business that has helped him materially in the conduct of his store.

Within the next week or so Mr. Starr will be joined in the management of the business by his brother-in-law, Sam Lash, who comes from Chicago to take up his residence in Ranger, bringing with him new ideas and modern styles, all of the latest developments of the Eastern markets.

Assisting Mr. Starr in the business are two well known and valuable employees, Mrs. J. R. Mills and Robert Hester. The business is located at the corner of Main and Rusk in a large and attractive building with spacious plate glass windows where

the ample stocks can be well displayed. All of Ranger is looking forward to the success of its youngest merchant to whom the citizens have readily given their hearty support and co-operation.

HIS FATHER'S SON

"Late again, O'Malley," roared the boss. "How do you account for this persistent tardiness?"
"Tis inherited, sir," answered O'Malley. "Me father was the late Michael O'Malley." — Good Hardware.

HAS LARGE PERSONNEL

The total number of people directly employed in the automobile industry at the present time is 2,893,563. In addition there are 226,000 people indirectly employed, thus giving a grand total of 3,119,563 people earning their livelihood from the industry.

BUSINESS IS GOOD....

Business generally is good. People have more money with which to buy goods and are apparently more free in spending.

Let's not be frightened by the perennial soap box orator whose stock in trade is calamity.

Business will be good this summer. Consumers will have money. Advertising will move the goods off the shelves. It won't be business unusual, but it will be business as usual.

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Accessories are never correct unless new. That's why we make it a point to always offer some thing new in Hankerchiefs, Gloves, Collars, and Novelties, too, you will always find them priced right.

Piece Goods Department

As much attention is given to this department as in Ready-to-Wear in order that we might always offer you merchandise that is both seasonable and stylish. Fancies and staples are popular priced.



Pictorial Review Patterns sold here.

In the Shoe Department

You will find novelty patterns that are pleasing and comfortable. Due respect is given to style but fit and wearing qualities must be embodied in all Shoes sold here. Our children's Shoe business has grown to a healthy state. Send the children down. They will be given special attention.



Your business will be appreciated and we will endeavor to give you the best of service at all times. We are building a business on satisfied customers.

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Ranger "Popular Price Department Store" Texas

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BEST TEXAS PRODUCE COMPANY SERVES 50 COUNTIES IN THE WEST

Lipshitz And Bockstein Are Examples of What Will To Do Will Do to Overcome Obstacles

The West Texas Produce company is not only one of the biggest and most important business concerns in Ranger, but is said to be the biggest wholesale and jobbing company for fruits and vegetables in West Texas. The firm is owned by Sam Lipshitz, who is the local manager, and Harry Bockstein of Fort Worth. Three other businesses are operated under the same management, two at Fort Worth and one at Breckenridge.

The company is equipped to handle produce from California to Florida and practically all over the United States. It is the policy of the company to handle merchandise of the very highest grade that money can buy, thereby building up a reputation in the best possible way. The company handles an average of two carloads a day, the produce going right into the immense cold storage plant which has a capacity of 12 carloads. This is one of the largest and most modern storage plants in this part of the country. There are rooms to take care of each commodity separately, and in this way the company is able to consistently supply the customers with the very best and freshest of produce.

According to Mr. Lipshitz, the company covers a territory of 50 counties, and operates five trucks. Mr. Lipshitz was born in Russia, coming to America 21 years ago, landing without a cent of capital, and getting his first job with Swift & Co., for \$7.50 a week. Out of this income he managed to save \$35 during the first six months of his residence in America, and with this sum he made a payment on a horse and wagon and started peddling produce from house to house. He followed this business for three or four years, and from the small beginning built up to his present splendid business.

It was during the days when he operated his vegetable wagon that he met Mr. Bockstein who became his friend and partner. Mr. Bockstein is also from Russia and had a business career similar to that of Mr. Lipshitz. Their partnership has extended over a period of 12 or 14 years, during which time they have built up an extensive and successful business, from a beginning of practically nothing.

Some of Mr. Lipshitz's business experiences have been as follows:

He started a little retail vegetable business in a downtown store in Fort Worth, from the savings of his peddling wagon. A little later he started in a wholesale business in a very



SAM LIPSHITZ

small way, after which he sold his retail store and devoted himself exclusively to the wholesale business. He called it the Home Vegetable company, and later he bought out the Star Produce company, combining the two businesses under the name of Home-Star Produce company. And finally he became associated with the four big wholesale companies of West Texas, and manager of the Ranger branch.



HARRY BOCKSTEIN

Mr. Lipshitz is a splendid and public-spirited character, of a ready friendliness that has endeared him to the Ranger people, most of whom know him as "Sam," rather than as

BILL M'DONALD SHOOTSSQUARE AS A PLUMBER

Suffered Fire Losses, Came Back Strong After the Big Blaze

William N. McDonald is not only one of the most popular men in Ranger, but he is also recognized as one of the foremost plumbers in the oil field district. He is a Ranger pioneer—that is, he came here with the boom, enjoyed the prosperity, survived the depression, and like all the other good and substantial business men of the city, he and his business have taken a big part in the development of Ranger into a splendid city.

Of course, as all Ranger people know, the name of William N. McDonald is used only on very formal occasions, such for instance as a writup in a special edition of The Ranger Times. But among his friends, who include just about every body in the oil field section, Mr. McDonald is known as "Bill." For he is just that sort of person, you know. A big, good-hearted, square-shooting Irishman, loyal to his friends, faithful to his city, fair to his customers and business associates, Bill McDonald is the kind of man upon whom communities are built. Folks who have known him for many years declare they have never seen him lose his temper or get out of humor. He meets his troubles and adversities, his little reverses and provocations, just as he meets his triumphs and successes, with his frank, convincing, contagious smile. And just as he smiles out at the world, the world smiles back at him. If Bill McDonald has any enemies this writer doesn't know it. Every one who comes under the influence of his splendid personality becomes immediately his friend.

"Mr. Lipshitz." He is a capable business man and good citizen, a valuable addition to the business life of Ranger, and active in all local affairs. His company here occupies a splendid brick building which is bustling with activity from 5 o'clock in the morning until late at night. And not to be outdone by his employees, Sam is often found at the West Texas Produce company when it opens at dawn, and remains until it closes after a long, hard day's work is done. Quoting a local business man of prominence: "You won't find a better friend or more loyal citizen than Sam, and Ranger is justly proud of the success he has achieved and the splendid business he is operating in our city."

Massachusetts
Mr. McDonald was born in Boston, Mass., where he enticed upon his business career in the plumbing and heating trade which he followed until the war. He was one of the first to enlist in service, answering his country's first call, and remaining in the motor transport service until after his discharge following the armistice. Then, obliged to start his business all over again, he followed the example of so many returning soldiers, and came to the oil town in Texas. Being a hustling and capable young man he soon found a job in the R. D. Lincoln plumbing shop, and within six months he established a shop of his own on Pine street. He was one of the victims of the second big Ranger fire, but although he was wiped out without a cent of insurance, he was all undaunted and opened another shop in the DeGroff building, where he experienced such success he was soon able to buy out his former employer, R. D. Lincoln. From this shop, he removed to 115



WM. N. McDONALD

North Austin street, where he is still located.

The McDonald shop carries a full line of high class plumbing and heating goods, reasonably priced, and employs nothing but skilled labor. Through good service, reasonable prices, and fair treatment, Mr. McDonald has built up a splendid business which has grown to a place ranking with the foremost plumbing concerns in West Texas.

Mr. McDonald belong to the Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants. He possesses a beautiful tenor voice, the typical Irish voice, which is often heard in the choir of St. Rita's church. His wife was formerly a Waco girl who was in government service during the entire period of the war serving as a trained nurse and X-ray technician.

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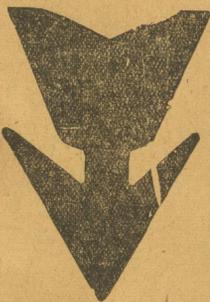
Our slogan of quality, service and popular prices is strictly adhered to at all times. To this we contribute our growing popularity—along these lines we are going to continue to build our business.

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SOUTHLAND HOTEL HOMEY ATMOSPHERE MAKES ALL GUESTS LIKE A FAMILY

The Southland Hotel in Ranger is more than just a good place to eat and sleep. It is, indeed, a real home for the many men and women who live there, and join in the praise of the kindly, capable, and big-hearted woman who operates it. This woman is Mrs. R. Schert, and there is not a business man in Ranger with any more ability than she, and certainly none with as much charm. She has a splendid spirit of friendship that is large enough to embrace the world, and her every-ready, sincere and encouraging smile is one of the reasons for her success.

In operating the Southland Hotel Mrs. Schert is ably assisted by her partner and manager, Mrs. B. T. Neilson, who also is her daughter as well as business associate. Mrs. Neilson is a charming and attractive young matron with keen business judgment that is quite an asset in the management of the hotel. During the war she had nine months service overseas as a nurse, going across when she was just a girl in her teens. She came here two years ago from El Paso to join her mother in the business.

Several weeks ago Mrs. Schert left for an extended trip and well-deserved vacation, visiting relatives on the Pacific coast. During her absence Mrs. Neilson has complete charge of the hotel and is demonstrating her efficiency in a very gratifying manner.

Upon first coming to Ranger from El Paso Mrs. Schert operated a small rooming house, later taking a 56-room hotel. After achieving a marked success with this hotel, she then acquired the Southland, which is one of the nicest and most desirable in the city. Under Mrs. Schert's direction it was remodeled and refitted into a place of beauty and comfort. The large, well-appointed lobby is enlivened by window boxes of growing plants and flowers, and the small but inviting parlor is cozy and pleasing to the eye. A parlor on the mezzanine is provided with a victrola for the entertainment of the guests.

The hotel has all outside rooms, comfortably furnished, and with hot and cold running water in every room. The whole place is kept spotlessly clean, and a homelike atmosphere prevails throughout.

The Southland has the largest dining room in Ranger, well-lighted, well-ventilated, and cheerful, with the tables spaced so as to assure the

comfort of the diners. The snowy covers and polished glasses, dishes and silver, are appealing to the appetite and the food served there rivals, if not excels, the home. Everything on the market finds its way regularly to the Southland tables, with chicken twice a week, and the large crowds that eat there attest the appreciation of Ranger people for the high standard of quality this dining room maintains.

Many of Mrs. Schert's boarders and roomers have been with her for years, and there is very seldom a vacant room in the hotel. She and Mrs. Neilson personally supervise every detail of the business, and they are fast becoming prominently identified with the hotel life, not only of the city, but of all West Texas. The last few years have been a steady and gratifying development for them in their chosen field of endeavor.

Aided Father To Build First Auto In Texas

The Black and White Motor company is owned by C. C. Cooper and P. E. Moore, two capable young business men of the city. Mr. Moore was born in Johnson county in 1897, and for several years was connected with the Santa Fe railroad. In 1920 he came to Ranger and was manager of the Standard Tank & Steel works until he joined Mr. Cooper in the garage business in 1923. They operate one of the most efficient garages in the city, and are able to take care of any make of automobile. They sell gas, oils, tires and tubes, and have storage facilities for 75 cars.

Mr. Cooper is an expert mechanic, and is rated as one of the best in the oil field section. During the war the government recognized his ability to such an extent he was made instructor of the S. A. T. C. at the state college in New Mexico, teaching the student-soldiers how to make auto repairs.

Mr. Cooper was born in Hico, Texas, in 1897, and was literally brought up in the automobile business. His father, E. A. Cooper, now of Ranger, built the second automobile that operated on the streets in Hico, pat-

terned his car after the first, and at that time, only car in town. It took him two years to complete the job, the work extending over 1905 and 1906. According to young Cooper, his father was operating a blacksmith and machine shop, and decided he could build an automobile, so he sent to New York for a one-cylinder engine. The car had high wheels, which Mr. Cooper made himself, with the solid rubber tires that were used on buggies at that time. The automobiles of that period had water tanks in connection with the radiators. Mr. Cooper installed a tank under the seat of his car, with a partition through it, keeping the water on one side and the gas on the other. The water would get hot, so that folks were afraid to ride with him for fear the heat would explode the gasoline. The car was cranked from the side, as were all the pioneer models.

By the time the auto was completed the styles in motors had changed, the two-cylinder engine being on the market. Wanting to be strictly up-to-date, Mr. Cooper traded off his old motor and sent to New York for a two-cylinder model. Then his troubles began, for when one cylinder would miss it would take him days to find the trouble. While his son, today, can find a missing cylinder in a 12-cylinder car in a matter of a few minutes.

"Helping my father on that car was my first experience in the auto business," young Cooper said, adding that his "helping" consisted mostly of handing dad a hammer or wrench.

Young Mr. Cooper has been following the automobile business ever since and because of his wide experience and splendid ability he has built up a big and substantial following in Ranger and the surrounding territory.

DESERVING CREDIT

Slow-paying Customer: I should think you'd give me an extension of time—as loyal a customer as I am.

Hardware Man: Loyal? Customer: Certainly! I do all my owing at your store. — Good Hardware.

WAYS AUTO OWNERS CAN SAVE

An unknown authority says auto users waste more than 1 million dollars annually by neglecting their cars, chiefly by neglecting to keep them well oiled. Other expensive neglects are faulty brakes which cause more than 50 per cent of all accidents, wheels out of alignment, worn parts and so on. If these matters were better looked after the expense of owning a car could be cut down quite a bit.

If you regard life as a prison, and work as a toil, you will get nowhere and end nowhere. Better to look on life as an adventure and work as a means to an end—for that way lies the future and all its promise.

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Business Standards Of The Highest Class; Backs Up Statements

In the Gullahorn Motor Company, local Chrysler dealers, Ranger is fortunate in having an automobile concern which rivals some of the leading distributors of the state. During the first 90 days of this year the company's business exceeded the first six months of 1925, and during the month of March the Chrysler sales of this enterprising firm were greater than any other dealer in the state of Texas, and tied with one of the largest distributors for the fourth place of the entire state. Inasmuch as there are 11 Chrysler distributors in Texas, that means that the local dealers sold more cars at retail than any of seven of those distributors during the month of March. Which is indeed an enviable record and bespeaks loudly the prosperity of Ranger, and the enterprise of this well-established and progressive firm.

Some months ago Mr. Gullahorn had the opportunity of obtaining the Chrysler agency for this territory, but being ever conservative and having the best interests of his customers at heart, he decided on a novel method of determining the real worth of this car before finally deciding to undertake its sales in the Ranger territory. Quoting Mr. Gullahorn:

Talked With Owners
"Last summer I made a trip to Colorado, and on the way I talked to every Chrysler owner who I met and to every dealer I could find between here and Denver. And I found, without one single exception, that the owners were enthusiastic about their cars, declaring they were holding up and costing practically nothing for upkeep, and that the dealers were unanimous in their praise for the car and its uniform satisfaction.

"On this trip I found numerous Chrysler owners with cars driven in excess of 20,000 miles, without any mechanical work done, whatever.

"So when I returned for the trip I went to Dallas and closed with Mr. William Morris for the agency which he had been holding open for me for



J. T. GULLAHORN

a month. And I have had occasion to feel nothing but the greatest satisfaction for my decision since that time."

According to Mr. Gullahorn, the first thing which made him consider the Chrysler agency was the reputation which the manufacturer enjoyed in the automobile world. Mr. Chrysler for many years had charge of the entire production of General Motors, and he took over the Maxwell and Chalmers plant when it was practically broke, and built it into a real organization, manufacturing real automobiles.

Manufacturer
Mr. Chrysler realized the manufacturer who would ultimately make the greatest success would have to build a high quality, short wheel base economical car. The reasons were that in order to be economical it must be high class, so it would stand up under hard use and give good service for small cost of upkeep, and the reason for a short wheel base was

the crowded condition of traffic. It is said that one can park a Chrysler in half the space required by a long wheel base car.

The first of this year Mr. Chrysler introduced the Imperial 80, a 130-inch wheel base car, with a 92 h. p. motor, and it is guaranteed to do 80 miles per hour or better. During the first five months that this car has been on the market there have been more of them produced and sold with two exceptions than any of the other cars of the same price and higher. And recently he announced the new model Chrysler 60 which is considerably smaller and lighter than the model 70, and at a much cheaper price. This car met with such instant success that Mr. Gullahorn has already delivered two, and has deposits on five orders which he has been unable to fill. The factory is now shipping 500 cars of this model a day so he expects to fill orders more promptly from now on.

Without Change
"It is the first time in automobile history that a car has come on the market and remained for a long period without any changes or improvements, as is the case with the original Chrysler 70," Mr. Gullahorn said. "Six years ago Mr. Chrysler employed every member of a firm of automobile engineers and designers, recognized as the very best in the business, and put them on his payroll, removing them from New York to his Detroit headquarters. The result of their united efforts was the Chrysler 70, which is the last word in the automobile world up to the present."

The Gullahorn Motor Company is owned by J. T. Gullahorn and Howard Gholson, both of whom rank among the foremost business interests of the city. Mr. Gholson is a member of one of the oldest and most prominent families of Eastland county whose activities here date back to a generation before the boom. Mr. Gholson was born and reared in Ranger when it was a town of just a few hundred population. His education was received in the local schools and in the Tennessee Military Institute. Early in the war he entered the officers training camp at Leon Springs and received the commission of first lieutenant. Following his discharge he returned to Ranger and found it changed from a little flag station into a flourishing oil town with trains from all directions making this its terminal. He became connected in the oil business with his father, John Gholson, who was a pioneer merchant of the city. Prior to the war Mr. Gholson had been in partnership with his father in the Terrell & Gholson Mercantile company which was one of the old



HOWARD GHOLSON

and established business houses of the city before the boom. The Gholson family was also connected with the establishment of the Gholson Hotel, one of the most famous hostleries in the state.

Raised in Game
Mr. Gullahorn was born in South-east Texas in 1885 and reared on a farm, but early in life he decided he was not destined for a rural career. One of his first business connections was with M. R. Newnam in Beaumont, Texas, some time or ten years ago as assistant manager of the Beaumont Ford company. Later he worked for the Cadillac and Marmon distributor at Beaumont, leaving that position to come to Ranger with Mr. Newnam to organize the Olcott Motor company. He remained with this firm until January, 1924, when he became a dealer. He is a man possessed of a rare business ability and is blessed with the gift of salesmanship, a talent that is necessary to the success of any business.

Both Mr. Gullahorn and Mr. Gholson are well and favorably known in Ranger where they are recognized alike for their high class business standards and their many splendid personal qualifications which have extended their friendship list to include the whole community.

Arab Gasoline Company Fills Wants of Sector

When an industry in a community serves the double purpose of affording a market for the products of the territory, as well as providing a substantial payroll for distribution among the local business interests, then that industry can be justly pointed to as one of the most sub-

stantial and valuable of the section. The Arab Gasoline company is such an industry, operating in Eastland and adding much to the city's business life and prosperity. The home office of the company is at Westchester, Pa., but the general headquarters is at Eastland where the company's business is conducted in a handsome suite of offices occupying the entire fifth floor of the Exchange National bank building.

This company employs 100 or more people whose salaries approximate \$15,000 a month, and inasmuch as the company does not contain its own camps, or rent houses to its employees, these people have become part of the social life of the community, owning their homes in town and taking an active part in civic affairs.

The plant buys gas from producers of oil, and extracts the natural gasoline by an absorption process known as the "Clarke process," which was invented by Alex. Clarke. Mr. Clarke is the Arab company's chief engineer. The company has a big casinghead

plant operating a short distance outside of Eastland, and seven booster plants. They buy gas from the north-eastern part of Eastland county, and the southern part of Stephens county.

Their products are marketed in the east, at gulf ports, and to refineries all over the country, shipped in tank car lots. A fleet of 60 tank cars is operated by the Arab company.

The plant was opened in 1922 by Samuel Butler of Westchester, Pa., who is president of the company, and his brother, Horace Butler of Eastland, who is general manager. P. T. Sharples is vice president. The company was organized for the purpose of developing the territory in this vicinity.

The company has holdings and investments that are considerably in excess of \$1,000,000, and its operations in Eastland county have been a valuable asset to the whole oil field section.

Mr. Butler has become widely acquainted in Eastland and the sur-

rounding territory during his four years management of the Arab company, and his success has been conspicuous and gratifying.

K. B. Tanner is traffic manager and sales agent, and R. L. Allen is office manager, with a force of 10 assistants. The offices, which are ideally located in the heart of the city, are commodious and appropriately furnished for a concern of the extensive interests of the Arab company.

At the plant Franklin Dwyer is the general superintendent, R. S. Ralley is the plant foreman, and John Seth is the master mechanic. Frank Weaver is head of the land department.

This splendid organization is easily one of the outstanding factors in the business life of Eastland, and reflects credit on the capable management of Mr. Butler.

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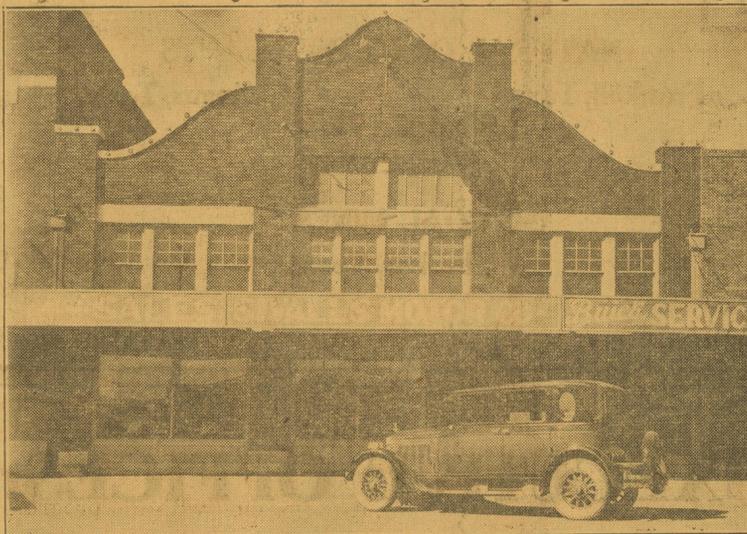
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Hickey, The Manager Commandant Of Post Of American Legion

Prominent among the younger business men of the city is W. C. Hickey, manager of the Walker-Smith Wholesale Grocery company's Ranger branch. Mr. Hickey is a real Texas product, born, reared, and educated in the Lone Star State, and with all his business experience extending over a period of 11 years, being with one of the leading firms of Texas.

At the age of 22 Mr. Hickey secured his first job with the Walker-Smith company in Brownwood, working in the warehouse. Later he was transferred to Galveston where he worked as bookkeeper, shipping clerk and traveling salesman.

Early in the war he enlisted in the infantry, serving until his discharge following the armistice, after which he returned to the employ of Walker-Smith as salesman for their houses in Houston and Dublin.

Achieving a gratifying success Mr. Hickey was rewarded by the management of the Ranger house several years ago. Under his direction the company here has enjoyed steadily increasing prosperity, growing into one of the biggest units of the organization.

Mr. Hickey is post commander of the American Legion, a director in the Chamber of Commerce, member of the Country Club and of the Masonic lodge. He has been married for several years and recently built a beautiful home in Ranger, thereby expressing his intention of becoming a permanent citizen. His main diversions are golfing and fishing, especially fishing. He frequently makes fishing expeditions to the San Saba, where there are some mighty big fish, to hear Mr. Hickey tell it, even though some of them do get away.

Mr. Hickey received his early education in the country schools, and later attended high school in Brownwood, followed by a business course. He is possessed of a pleasing personality and discerning business judgment, a combination that has helped to firmly establish himself and the company he represents in the business life of the community.

The Walker-Smith company was incorporated in 1895 by J. A. Walker and J. L. Smith. Starting in a very small way, with a limited capital, the company has grown to a place recognized as one of the largest wholesale grocery companies in the South. The home office is still maintained at Brownwood, but the branch houses are extended over a large territory including Ranger, San Angelo, Ballinger, Brady, Sweetwater, Dublin, Stamford, Lubbock, Galveston, Abilene, and Plainview. The last named house has been established since the first of this year.

Ranger branch was opened at the beginning of the oil boom and the manner in which it survived the depression following the boom is a tribute to the substantial foundation on which the business is built.

The wholesale grocery business, of which the general public is more or less unfamiliar, is one of the most



W. C. HICKEY

interesting of the country's industries.

How Operated

"The ultimate consumer has only a vague idea of the operation of our business, for we come directly in touch only with the owners of the retail stores," Mr. Hickey said. "But it would be interesting to the people to know just how our stocks are assembled. For instance, when a lady goes to her grocer to buy a can of pineapple or apricots, it never occurs to her that we have in stock thousands of dollars worth of fruits from California which we sell a case at a time, and which she buys a can at a time.

"Such goods reach us from some California port where it is shipped on a boat that comes through the Panama canal, and unloads at Galveston. From Galveston the boxes and crates are shipped by rail to Ft. Worth, and then over the T. & P. to us. Ranger is the concentration point for this whole territory.

Popular Salesmen

"Our salesmen, who are quite well known and popular throughout this territory, then go through Eastland and surrounding counties and take orders which are shipped by truck from our house to the retail grocery stores, and the final trip, from California to the dinner table, is made by the grocer's delivery wagon or in housewife's market basket.

"We have canned corn from Illinois, and string beans and fancy peas from the valleys of New York; tomatoes, that are sent by train to New York, and then by Mallory or Morgan lines to Galveston, and from there by rail to Port Worth and on to Ranger. Syrups from Louisiana and Georgia; flour from the famous wheat fields of Minnesota; cereals from Battle Creek, and vinegar from the Oark mountains. Sardines come from Portland, Ore., and fish flakes from Portland, Maine.

Romantic

"Not only from many states of the union, but also from all parts of the world come the stocks that we of-

SERVICE REIGNS IN THE PIONEER RANGER CAFE

Homey Place for Busy Men to Transact Their Business; Was Head-quarter In Boom Days

The Ranger Cafe is a landmark of the community, the oldest business in the city operating in one location, and under one name, since the memorable days of the boom.

Back in the days of flush production, this famous restaurant was the headquarters for many millionaires who consummated big deals across the tables, or in the aisles or doorway, for at that time, as all the "pioneers" well remember, office space was as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth, and business often was conducted right out in the open. Only, as the old-timers remember, the great open spaces of Ranger were considerably damp for a long period at the beginning of the boom, the constant rains forcing folks to seek shelter in the already congested interiors.

So that is why the Ranger Cafe so early in the game took a permanent grasp on the people of the community. It was the one place where everybody felt at home, and where business could be combined with pleasure. The pleasure of course being the splendid meals served there. This is the only cafe in Ranger that stays open all night. It caters to everybody alike and enjoys a sound business.

Although the management of the cafe has changed many times during the years of its existence, the place has always lived up to the tradition of its service. It has always been one place where the homebodies and transients alike could seek nourishment with confidence. This confidence was what inspired the long waiting lines of hungry folks, taking their turn at tables or counter during the days of flush production, and what continued to inspire a steady patronage that carried the business successfully through the depression, and brought it triumphantly to its present established position in the community.

In appearance the Ranger Cafe is attractive and appetizing. The tables, gleam with polished silver and crystal and spotless cloths, are arranged far enough apart to insure privacy, with little table lights ad-

ding to the attractiveness of the meal. Consistently good food including all the products of the season, are always featured on the menus.

Whether for the leisurely guest in the main dining room, or the hurried luncher at the counter, the service of the Ranger Cafe is beyond reproach. The waiters are courteous and painstaking, the orders are filled with promptness and accuracy, and no matter what the circumstances, the guests who eat at the Ranger cafe always leave satisfied in appetite and mind. And these satisfied customers are the biggest boosters for the Ranger Cafe.

Such is the result of fame and fair dealing, of service and courtesy, of good meals and personal attention to one's wants and needs.

GOOD BUSINESS

A storekeeper had for some time displayed in his window a card inscribed "Fishing Tackle."

A customer drew the proprietor's attention to the spelling.

"Hasn't any one told you of it before?" he asked.

"Hundreds," replied the dealer, "but whenever they drop in to tell me, they always spend something."

—Good Hardware.

NOBODY KNOWS

A colored preacher called on a white minister.

He found the white man busy writing.

"What you all doing?" he asked.

"I'm preparing notes for my sermon for next Sunday."

The colored man shook his head.

"I certainly would never do dat, sir," he said.

"De debil am a-look-in' right over your shoulder and knows everything you gwine to say and he am prepared for you. Now, I don't make no notes and when I gets up to talk, neder me nor de debil hisself don't know what I'm goin' to say."

ALMOST

The secretary of the bar association was very busy and very cross one afternoon, when his telephone rang.

"Well, what is it?" he snapped.

"Is this the City Gas Works?" asked a woman's soft voice.

"No, madam," roared the secretary.

"This is the Bar Association of the City of Louisville."

"Ah," came from the lady's end in the sweetest of tones, "I didn't miss it so far, after all, did I?"

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This store was established in such a manner that it will grow with West Texas. For more than five years we have not only kept pace with progress of the West, but in many instances have taken the lead.

Many a business will flourish for a short time then just drift with the tide. Others continue to grow over a span of years. It is the latter that has kept up with progress. We are striving to be like the latter. We are building for the future. Merchandise that sold readily a few years ago would be worthless now. That is why a careful study of styles are made by our expert resident buyers in New York. Through his untiring efforts we are able to offer you styles that are from two to six weeks ahead of any store in this section.

Our two feature departments—Beauty Parlor and Economy Balcony—are in keeping with the progress of time. These two departments have been successful from the start, but we are going to continue to keep building for the future.

JOSEPH DRY GOODS CO.

"RANGER'S FOREMOST DEPARTMENT STORE"

DURHAM & PETTITT, JEWELERS, ARE AMONG RANGER LIVE WIRES

Musical Instruments And Radios Are Part Of the Stocks Carried

The firm of Durham & Pettitt, dealers in jewelry and musical instruments, is a successor to W. E. Davis, one of the "pioneer" jewelers in Ranger. A pioneer in the "city of flowing gold," of course means a business man who came in at the beginning of the boom, and Mr. Davis was one of the first to establish a diamond market in Ranger for the benefit of those made suddenly rich with oil several years ago.



H. H. DURHAM

The store is situated in the Gholson hotel building, one of the most attractive locations in the city. The whole front and side of the store is of plate glass, making a splendid opportunity for window displays.

Extensive Stock
Durham & Pettitt carry an extensive stock of high class jewelry suitable especially for wedding and anniversary gifts. Handsomely set diamonds, dainty wrist watches, choakers and necklaces of beads and pearls, fancy combs, bracelets, are all on display enticing the attention of the feminine population of Ranger. And from the viewpoint of the menfolk, nothing more desirable could be found than the splendid displays of watches, fobs, tiepins, cuff links, handsome leather bill folds and so forth, found in the abundant stocks of Durham & Pettitt.

The firm also does its part in making homelife pleasanter by its large lines of musical instruments, including pianos of the leading standard makes, phonographs and records, and radios.

Mr. Durham is one of the youngest business men of the city, but in spite of the fact that he is only 25, is also one of the most successful citizens of Ranger. He was born in Sterling City, Texas, and received his early education in the public and high schools, and later completed a course in Texas University.

Fought In War
In 1918 he enlisted in the service of his country, receiving his training in Austin, and following his discharge he came to Ranger, locating here in 1920. He received employment with the Continental Supply

Co., but after a short time he got in the jewelry business with Mr. Davis, remaining with the firm for six years, or until February 1 of this year when he and Mr. Pettitt bought out the business.

Mr. Durham is a member of the Methodist Church, the Elks, Lions, and Masonic Lodge. He was married last June to Miss Bernice Griffith of Dallas, who has since achieved popularity here as one of the city's most charming young matrons. Mr. and Mrs. Durham own their home here and have become permanent Ranger citizens, expecting to grow and prosper with the live city which they so judiciously selected.

Mr. Pettitt is one of the city's most eligible bachelors, young, good-looking, and prosperous. He owns a beautiful home on Tiffin Road, which is shared by his mother, sister and brother. He has lived in Ranger for five years, and for four years was principal of the Young School. He was born in West Texas, and spent most of his childhood in



W. R. PETTITT

DeLeon where he attended the grade and high school, later completing his education at the North Texas State Normal at Denton and the Daniel Baker College at Brownwood.

Overseas
Mr. Pettitt was also in service during the war, having two years overseas as active sergeant in the Medical Corps with the 315th sanitary train. He was discharged in July, 1919, returning to DeLeon, where he remained two years before coming here in the summer of 1921, to take charge of the Young School.

He belongs to the Methodist Church, all Masonic lodges and Shrine, and is Worthy Patron of the Eastern Star. He is also a member of the American Legion, Rotary Club and Elks.

During the time that Mr. Pettitt was connected with the local schools he spent his vacation time working for Mr. Davis, covering the trade territory throughout the county, and making many warm friends.

Mr. Pettitt and Mr. Durham are both good Ranger boosters, active in civic matters, and capable in a business way so that their achievements reflect credit to their city.

LUCKY DOG

"There's such a thing as over-doing this looking on the bright side of business," said Blings. "The other evening I was at Jones' and Jones'—you know how absent-minded he is—put the lighted end of a cigar in his mouth. He jumped three feet, rolled on the floor, and was a little noisy about it. In the middle of it Mrs. Jones, smiling sweetly, said: 'How fortunate you were, dear, to discover it so soon!'"

BURTON-LINGO IS PIONEER OF LUMBER YARDS

Manager of Plant Balch Began Life on Farm in Old State of Alabama

The Burton-Lingo Lumber Company was a Ranger pioneer before the boom days, dating its business operations here to three years before "oil or rumors of oil" brought on the influx of people that have since developed Ranger into a prosperous city. Because of this expressing its confidence in the town when it was still a flag station, this company has a conspicuous place in the hearts of the old-timers who represent some of the most substantial business men of the community. This company is one of numerous yards operated by the Burton-Lingo Company, with offices in Fort Worth. In locating here they bought out a lumber yard that already was established, thereby making the actual history of the company go back farther, even, than three years before the boom.

The company is capably managed by R. S. Balch, one of the city's most progressive business men. He has lived in Ranger since 1918, and has been with Burton-Lingo since 1909. He was born in Alabama in 1882, but at the age of 13 he removed to Texas with his parents, living in McLennan and Taylor counties. He was reared on a farm, as so many of the prominent Ranger business men were, and spent his youth chopping and picking cotton, between schools. His first trade was as a carpenter, and in this way he became connected with the Burton-Lingo people, and has remained with them ever since.

Prospered
"Because Ranger was a good distributing center the local yards prospered from the beginning," Mr. Balch said. "But under the impetus of the boom it became one of the biggest yards in the oil field section. It had the advantage of being the first, and for a long time the only lumber yard in Ranger. From 1910 to 1920 the demand for housing facilities kept the company busy day and night, supplying building materials, and it was all we could do at that time to furnish sufficient lumber necessary for building the derricks and the oil field bunk houses which



R. S. BALCH

were lastly constructed for the drillers and workers who lived at the camps. But because of our large organization we were enabled to meet

these early demands, while the local company in the meantime became firmly established as one of the biggest business concerns of the city. Thanks to the loyal co-operation of the Ranger people.

Gratified

"We have been very gratified by our success here, and it has been especially pleasing to us, as to all local business men to see how completely and successfully Ranger has rallied from the general depression which swept the country, and the oil fields in particular, after the war. We have seen our town stage a comeback that places it in the foremost ranks of West Texas cities, and today Ranger is enjoying a development that well might be envied by other towns in the section. Business along every line is showing a marked increase right now, and gives promise of going steadily ahead."

Mr. Balch is a prominent as well as successful business man, a member of the Methodist Church, Elks Lodge, Retail Merchants Association, and Chamber of Commerce. He takes an active part in all civic affairs and is recognized as an outstanding citizen.

Back Yard Poultry Help to Cut High Cost of Living

By United Press.

WASHINGTON.—By keeping a back-yard poultry flock the family would not only help in reducing the cost of living but would have eggs of a quality and freshness which are often difficult to obtain. Uncle Sam tells housewives:

Ten hens should produce 100 dozen eggs a year and in addition to supplying the family, the housewife could pick up extra spending money, as poultry raising in the back-yard is not expensive.

"Poultry is the only class of domestic animal which is suitable for converting kitchen waste material into wholesome and nutritious food in the form of eggs and poultry meat," Uncle Sam says in an Agriculture Department bulletin.

He points out that if a rooster is objectionable, because of its crowing, the flock will get along just as well without the male bird. The eggs will even be more superior for table use.

"The best way for a city poultry keeper to procure stock is either to purchase in the fall or to buy day-old chicks or hatching eggs," he continues. "An effort should be made to obtain pullets rather than old hens."

"The flock should be comfortably but not expensively housed. Yards should be enclosed by a wire fence to keep out cats and prevent the fowls from roaming."

Feeding the birds is a simple matter. Uncle Sam says give them a light feed of starch grains in the morning, kitchen garbage and table scraps at noon, and a good feed of scratch grains in the evening.

TO THE CONSUMING PUBLIC

As a result of our many years of experience in the Wholesale Grocery business, during which time we have been in close contact with the largest producers of food products in the United States, we are thoroughly convinced that all items of food, if they are to continue to receive the indorsement of the consuming public, must be backed by quality.

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TEXAS PACIFIC COAL AND OIL COMPANY'S INDUSTRIES

THURBER IS LIVE INDUSTRIAL CENTER, WHERE JAILS ARE NOT NEEDED; OWNED BY BIG CONCERN

Comfort Of Employees Gets Consideration Before Anything Else

Now where in all the world can be found a city that can compare with Thurber, Texas, the home of the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, Thurber Brick Company, and kindred enterprises. The little community is nestled among the hills in a picturesque surroundings as the country has to offer; interesting, progressive, remote; modern, yet quaint, with all the advantages, and none of the disadvantages of other cities.

Thurber is owned and managed by one big company, which with its allied interests, forms one of the state's biggest industries. The town is free from politics, for it has no mayor or city officials; it is free of crime, therefore needs no jail or sheriff or police. It comes as near being a Utopia as it is possible for a city to be.

The town was founded by the Texas and Pacific Coal Company, now known as the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, more than 36 years ago as a home for its employees. The site was happily selected, for the town is built in a little valley surrounded by wooded hills, with little parks and lakes, trees and flowers, that are cool and restful and inviting, the sort of place where vacationists well might seek a holiday.

Business District
The business district of Thurber is constructed with brick, and the streets are paved with brick, the products of the kilns of the Thurber Brick Company. Everything that can be found in the largest cities are sold in these up-to-date stores; garments of the latest mode, furniture, hardware, high class drugs and cooling drinks at the spacious drug store, with its large, attractive fountain. This fountain is also constructed of brick, the choicest output of the Thurber plant.

These handsome buildings give to Thurber a substantial appearance so often missing in a town its size. Indeed, there is quite a prosperous look to these splendid stores and an atmosphere of dependability about the town.

The offices of the company, where the local business is transacted are humming with activity, the spacious quarters being peopled with capable, efficient employees operating typewriters and adding machines, filing cabinets and other modern office equipment which adds to the facility with which the countless business details of a company whose operations comprise millions of dollars, is carried on. The main office is surrounded by windows on three sides, which adds to the comfort of the large force, while numerous small offices are used by officials of the company. All of the furnishings are of the highest quality and attractiveness, and provide the employees with a proper incentive to put forth their best efforts.

Water and Sewerage
Thurber has its own water and sewerage systems, its electric lights and power, ice and refrigerating plants.

Every detail in the management of Thurber is directed toward the comfort and happiness of the families of employees. Churches of all denomina-

tions are maintained and pastors paid by the company, so that the citizens of Thurber can worship according to their religious preference.

Nor have the children been overlooked, for one of the finest high schools of the state, fully affiliated, is operating in Thurber for the young folks of the community. Graduates of this school are admitted to the foremost preparatory schools and colleges of the country.

And not only is the religious and educational side of the town considered but the recreational as well. A splendid golf course and tennis court afford popular diversions, while swimming, bathing and fishing are other examples of the town's healthful and enjoyable sports. While a picture theatre brings to Thurber the foremost products of the cinema world.

Athletics
Thurber also has one of the best baseball diamonds in the state, and a splendid and popular ball team. There is perhaps no one thing in which the town takes so much personal pride as it does this team.

And Thurber, although small, also has its social life, which is gay and exclusive, with occasional functions that rival the governor's inaugural ball. These affairs are attended by guests from all parts of the state, while the wives and daughters of the company's officers and managers and leading employes are an active part in the social life of Ranger, Eastland, Stephenville and elsewhere.

Taken as a whole, Thurber is an ideal place to live. Easily accessible to the larger centers, yet free of the city's strife and struggle, politics and prejudices, crimes and punishment. Surrounded by beautiful scenery, and blessed with a delightful climate, healthful and invigorating. Full of diversions and recreations, and free of anxieties and depressions, socially gay, devoutly religious, and always prosperous. A community, as was pointed out at first, the like of which there is no other place in all the world.

THURBER BRICKS FILL ALL NEEDS FOR GOOD ROADS

Plants Are Running To Full Capacity to Meet Increasing Demands

The Thurber Brick Company, a half-million dollar concern operating at Thurber, Texas, is enjoying an unusually prosperous year, running the plant at full capacity, and expanding its territory to such an extent it is shipping bricks as far as Florida.

The Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company is the parent of the Thurber Brick Company, which is however, an entirely separate concern, officiated by the following prominent men: Herman W. Knox, president; Arthur S. Goetz, vice president; R. Seidel, secretary; Edgar J. Marston, treasurer; E. O. Mitchell, comptroller.

THURBER EARTHEN PRODUCTS COMPANY SUPPLIES THE STATE WITH HIGHWAY BUILDING STUFF

One of the most prosperous business concerns operating in the Ranger territory is the Thurber Earthen Products company which is engaged in the business of making and selling crushed limestone for the construction of roads, street paving, buildings, and general concrete construction work.

The company's rock crusher is two miles northwest of Ranger, and affords a big source of revenue to the city, one of its chief advantages being the conversion of a hitherto worthless tract into a revenue bearing property. The site of the rock crusher is on the Hagaman property, a non-productive strip of land incapable of cultivation. But stretching across the strip for a distance of 200 acres is a great ledge of limestone 22 feet high which is extremely valuable when properly marketed.

The Thurber Earthen Products company has a modern and efficient equipment for quarrying and crushing the limestone of this territory, the machinery representing a great investment. It is operated by electricity generated from the company's power plant, which has a 500-horsepower turbine and two 250-horsepower water tube boilers.

Big Boulders.
When the rock is first quarried it comes out of the hills in great boulders weighing as much as 5,000 pounds. These immense pieces of rock are loaded onto cars of eight-ton capacity, and transported to the crusher a short distance removed. The cars then dump the rocks into the largest crusher, a powerful machine with gigantic steel jaws which clamp onto the boulders, literally "chewing" them into pieces three or four inches in size. The machine works with such rapidity it requires only two minutes to reduce more than seven tons of boulders into the small rocks.

The machine then continues its work by carrying the smaller rocks to the next crusher, where they are again crushed to greatly reduced sizes. After passing from one crusher to another until ground to its

finest stages, the rock is screened and ranges in size from pieces two or three inches big, to the finest powder. There are 18 sizes in all.

The larger rocks are used for road building, and the finer for paving and concrete work. When ready for the market it is carried to the main line railroads for shipment through Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Arkansas and elsewhere.

Efficiency.
As an example of the efficiency of modern machinery it is interesting to note that a period of only 10 minutes elapses between the time the 5,000-pound boulders are removed from the shale mountain, loaded on the cars, transported to the crushers, reduced to dust, and loaded on the cars for shipping. The electrically driven machinery at the plant keeps up its unceasing labors with a rapidity staggering to the imagination. Many citizens of Ranger and the surrounding territory make trips to the rock crusher to see the remarkable performance of this great and efficient plant.

J. L. Watson is manager of the plant and to him goes much credit for its success. Mr. Watson has been connected with the Texas Pacific interests for many years and has proven a valuable asset to the great industry.

Although the Thurber Earthen Products company is not owned by the Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company, the interests are allied. As in the case of the Thurber Brick company, the Texas Pacific is the parent company.

The officers of the Earthen Products Company are: Herman W. Knox, president; A. S. Goetz, vice president; W. J. Ochiltree, treasurer; R. Seidel, secretary; E. O. Mitchell, comptroller.

"The company is enjoying an active business, with a capacity of 20,000 tons a month," Mr. Mitchell said in an interview recently. "We are selling most of our products in Texas, chiefly for city pavement and road construction work."

the tourist through this part of the country. The cost of construction of this road was \$40,738 a mile.

Road Construction
It was perhaps the fame of this road, penetrating to the flourishing state of Florida, which is especially trying to attract tourists, that has caused that state to seek its bricks from the Thurber company for the construction of its own streets and roads.

It is said that brick making is one of the ancient industries, known centuries before Christ. But there is a wide difference between the humble early methods and the modern process of today. At that time bricks were fired with burning straw, or dried in the sun, while a history of brick making as it is done today, is interesting as well as surprising to the uninitiated reader.

The shale mountain from which the Thurber bricks are made is located about a mile and a half from the town. The shale is blasted into large blocks and loaded with steam shovels on flat cars and carried to the rock crushers where it is reduced to dust. The dust is then sifted through screens with an eighth of an inch mesh, and then conveyed to the pug mill where it is mixed with water to the consistency of mud.

Placed under heavy pressure the mud is solidified and carried to auger machines where it is made into columns, while the columns are in turn cut into the bricks with wire cutters.

DEVELOPMENT OF CENTRAL WEST TEXAS OIL FIELDS IN EASTLAND COUNTY IS DUE TO FORESIGHT OF THIS COMPANY

MADE RANGER A CITY AND BROUGHT MANY HERE IN OIL BOOM

Owns Its Own Plants For Refining The Output Of Wells

The Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, with a capital of \$10,000,000, is one of the largest individual oil companies operating in the great Texas oil fields. The company was incorporated in 1888, with Mr. Edgar L. Marston, now chairman of the board, as one of the original organizers. The executive offices are in Fort Worth, occupying the 17th floor of the F. & M. Bank building, and the company's general office and production headquarters are in Thurber, a small but complete city owned and operated by the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company. The New York office is at 24 Broad street, New York City; transfer agent, the Central Union Trust Company of New York; registrar of Stock, Bankers Trust Company, New York City.

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TEXAS PACIFIC MERCANTILE CO. BIG CONCERN

The history of this immense organization is replete with interest. It started in a rather small way, that is small in comparison with its present remarkable proportions. Under the name of Texas Pacific Coal Company, which was retained until the discovery of oil by the company several years ago, the company developed the only known bituminous coal vein in Texas. But from the viewpoint of this section of Texas, the real achievement of the company was the discovery of oil in Eastland county, after the territory had been condemned by the most eminent geologists. It was during 1916 and 1917 that the company, against great discouragement, laid plans for a test well which was destined to later write history for Texas, becoming the base of the hectic boom days, the ultimate development of Ranger, the foundation of many fortunes, and the subject for countless writers and authors whose articles reached the leading newspapers and magazines of the country, and produced at least one famous novel, "Flowing Gold," by the well-known writer, Rex Beach, the story later finding its way to the screen.

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McCleskey Well
The wildest well on the McCleskey farm southwest of Ranger, was drilled without attracting much attention, but when the great gusher blew in the latter part of 1917, the greatest boom in the history of the country since the gold rush of '49, the Klondike boom of a generation ago, or the Oklahoma land rush, was on. Money that had been accumulating during the war was put in circulation in Eastland County, and for many years were made in an hour. Returning soldiers became, no longer soldiers of war but soldiers of fortune, flocking to the new oil town and its golden opportunities. The trenches of France gave way to the mud of Ranger. Every train running into the little town that was formerly a flag station, was loaded with humanity, laborer and prospector, millionaires and pauper, adventurer and investor.

It was after the discovery of the Eastland County field that the Texas Pacific Coal Company increased its capital to \$10,000,000, and renamed the organization the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company. At this time the company is carrying on an extensive program of development. In addition to the wells on the Hodges lease and Durocher survey, the chief activity of the company at this time is the refinery being completed in Fort Worth.

Interesting Ideas
Many interesting ideas, some of which have never been tried before, are being worked out by engineers of the Texas Pacific in rebuilding the old skimming plant of the Montrose Oil and Refining Company into a complete, modern lubricating oil plant. The company's vice president, Dr. Lederer, who has had much experience in the refining business, as a consulting engineer, is in charge of the refinery operations, and is in direct charge of the construction work involved in the remodeling.

The refinery has a very complete and well equipped laboratory, including experimental shell and pipe stills, in charge of F. R. Staley, chief chemist, who for many years was with the Atlantic Refining Company at its Point Breeze and Pittsburgh plants. Work is now going on under his direction, testing out the properties of various clays found nearby in Texas with the hope of finding a material that will give as good results as the California, Arizona and Colorado clays at less cost for transportation. The plant has a capacity of 3,000 barrels of crude a day.

Purchased Concren
In December the company purchased the Home State Exploration Company of Montana, with a production of 5,000 barrels of crude oil a day.

Another of the recent activities of the company was the completion of a pipe line from Mingus to north Stephens County, a distance of 88 miles, at a cost of \$250,000, for the purpose of gathering oil for transportation to the new refinery in Fort Worth.

A complete sales department is operated by the company in Fort Worth, under the management of F. D. Postaph, who is well known in Ranger, where he formerly lived as purchasing agent of the Texas Pacific. The sales department is for the marketing of the company's own products, as well as for the buying and selling of other petroleum products. Two hundred and fifty tank cars will be in operation soon for this purpose.

The general field camp of the company is located just outside of Ranger, and is said to be one of the most modern and best equipped camps in the whole territory. It is a regular little city in itself, with modern homes, well-kept lawns, and prosperous, contented looking residents. The business offices at the camp are located in a large and comfortable building, and the main warehouse supplies the other oil field warehouses with drilling and production supplies. A large mechanical force is maintained for repairing the companies' automobiles and trucks at the camp.

Owens In Fee 70,000 Acres
The Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, through actual development of oil itself, and through opening up the Ranger field, with its subsequent development, has been both directly and indirectly responsible for many millions of barrels of oil being produced in this territory during the last seven or eight years.

The company owns in fee, more than 70,000 acres in this territory, and forms a perfect unit, with its own production organization, pipe line systems, refineries and casing-head plants, and other production, manufacturing, distributing and marketing facilities.

By which it can be readily seen that this greatest of all independent oil companies operating in the Ranger field, is by far the outstanding company of the territory. The company is at this time enjoying one of the most prosperous years of its history, according to Mr. E. O. Mitchell, the comptroller.

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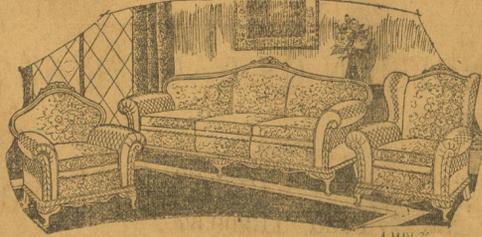
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S. P. BOON

July, 1919, and since that time it has undergone constant improvement and enjoyed steadily increasing business. Among the additions to the plant in 1925, and the early part of 1926 was the rug and carpet cleaning equipment, the new automatic back to the bailer system, and the new water softener system. These improvements enable the Ranger Dry Cleaning Plant to give to its customers more efficient service, and adds another point of merit to the general expansion of the business. The Ranger Dry Cleaning plant is a member of the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners of the United States and Canada, being admitted to the organization after a thorough examination as to equipment and installation, quality of work and service, as well as reliability. By belonging to this organization the company is entitled to the use of the words "Master Cleaners." On account of belonging to this organization the plant has access to all the expert research work which

is conducted by the organization. The research workers of the organization are efficiency experts who devote their time to working out new and effective methods in cleaning and dyeing, furnishing well-tried information on the latest developments along the cleaning and dyeing lines. By learning of all the modern and scientific methods discovered and developed by the organization, the Ranger Dry Cleaning plant has raised its efficiency and service to the community to the very highest point.

'CLEAN' MOTTO OF LIBERTY CAFE OWNER

Application Of The Laws Of Health Insures Good Food

One of the nicest and most popular restaurants in Ranger is the New Liberty Cafe, owned and operated by H. C. Neptune, who, to use the modern slang phrase in a most applicable manner, "knows his vegetables" when it comes to running a restaurant.

Mr. Neptune has lived in Ranger three years, and prior to coming here he had seven years experience in the restaurant business in Congmotts, Colorado. After leaving Colorado he traveled around for two or three years, looking for a location where he would want to settle permanently, and after somewhat extensive investigation he finally arrived in Ranger, and like many other business men found in the "City of Flowing Gold," what he considered an ideal place for a home.

He started in business in a small place on Rusk street, but as his popularity grew he was forced to take larger quarters, so he moved to the building he now occupies at 111 South Rusk street, where he has enjoyed constantly increasing success.

Mr. Neptune has chosen one word for his slogan—"Clean." And he lives up to the promise of the word. His restaurant is at all times spotless, with polished glasses and table ware, and food that the most particular can relish eating. The customer can choose at random from the ample menu, for every dish served at the New Liberty is uniformly good. Food is selected with the utmost care, and the preparation of it lives up to the reputation that Mr. Neptune has built during his three years connection with the eating public of the city.

One of the most popular days at the New Liberty is the Sabbath, for the Sunday Special Dinner served there has become famous.

SPEEDS BAKERY SUPPLIES BEST BREAD IN WEST

World War Veteran, And Knows Value Of Good Food Products

Bread has long been called "the staff of life," but that perhaps depends largely upon the kind of bread, for bread, like everything else, can be both good and bad. In Ranger there is a bakery which turns out nothing but products of the highest



ROY SPEED

merit, and especially is this true of the bread, for Roy Speed, proprietor of Speed's Bakery, prides himself on this commodity especially. In this day when so much attention is paid to calories and various food values, it is well for the housewife to consider seriously the matter of the baking products which she gives her family.

Not only in bread alone does the Speed Bakery excel, but in all of its products it is far above the average. The cakes are wholesomely and deliciously prepared; the pies are toothsome and nutritious with flakey crusts and delicious fillings; while the doughnuts and cinnamon rolls vie with each other for popularity, both in the homes and restaurants of the city. In fact, there is no bake shop in West Texas that can sur-

pass Speed's Bakery in the matter of a high class product, and indeed few can equal it in the largest cities.

Modern

This bakery is modern in every respect. It has the highest type of equipment necessary to the production of breads, cakes and pastries, that can be found anywhere. There is not a feature of the plant, from the flour sifter and the mixer to the modern oven that is not up to the highest standards.

And in addition to efficiency, the bakery has established itself in the matter of cleanliness. Everything about the place is spotless, and the sanitary precautions which Mr. Speed takes in the manufacture of his product gives confidence to his customers. And that is why so many of the housewives of the city insist upon having "Speed's" products ordering from their grocery store.

Big Territory

Mr. Speed has extended his trade territory to many miles outside of Ranger, sending his delivery trucks over the rural routes in every direction. But in addition to his extensive wholesale business, he also has an attractive retail shop on North Austin street where the highest type of baker's art is displayed in the most tempting array. Within the last year Mr. Speed has removed to his new location from a smaller place a few doors away which he formerly occupied, and as a result of the expansion he is enabled to give Ranger one of the nicest little baker shops to be found anywhere.

Mr. Speed is a native of Texas, and although still quite young, he has had more than 20 years' experience in the bakery business; an experience dating back to his childhood. He began the business as a helper doing odd jobs on Saturdays, after school hours, and during vacation time, a sort of "earn as you learn" proposition. He followed the grade until the World War began when he enlisted in 1917, within a month after America entered the conflict. At the conclusion of the war he received his discharge and in 1919 he went to San Antonio where he remained a year before coming to Ranger in 1920 and bought out the bakery which he has since been operating with gratifying success.

TAHOKA—The latest scholastic census in Lynn county show that there are approximately 3,500 school children between the ages of 7 and 18. There are 24 districts, 12 independent and 12 being common school districts.

CHILDRESS—A very extensive building program has been planned and bond carried for the erection of a city hall, \$40,000; sewer bonds, \$100,000; water improvement, \$35,000, and school, \$110,000. The sale of the city bonds will provide funds for the erection of a new \$50,000 municipal building.

VERNON—The city commission of Vernon plans to install another 360-horsepower engine at the municipal electric light and water plant.

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- The Ranger State Bank is today a dependable depository that will live and grow in the hearts of Ranger people as one of the city's foremost institutions.

CONDITION OF RANGER STATE BANK OF RANGER, TEXAS

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$326,132.53
Banking House	20,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00
Assessment in Department Guaranty Fund	11,209.57
Interest in Department Guaranty Fund	6,970.83
Commercial Paper, Demand Loans	
Cash and Exchange	477,760.45
Total	\$850,073.38

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided Profits	3,809.72
Deposits	736,103.66
Dividends Unpaid	160.00
Total	\$850,073.38

A QUARTERLY DIVIDEND WAS PAID APRIL 1, 1926

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- S. H. LILLARD, Jr., Vice President
- CULL MOORMAN, Vice President
- I. E. BEVERS, Cashier
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Ranger Distilled Water Insures Best of Health

As a progressive step in keeping with the rapid development of Ranger a new and modern equipment has just been installed by the Ranger Distilled Water company, for the process of purifying water. This equipment consists of one of the most up-to-date stills that is manufactured today, and enables the com-



J. C. PIERSON

pany to put on the market an even better grade of water than they have hitherto sold.

The water purified by this still passes the most exacting test as to purity so as to meet all needs for drinking, medical and industrial purposes. For instance, in addition to being the most desirable drinking water possible for constant use in the home, it is also used by physicians and druggists for prescription work, and by battery and filling stations for use in motor batteries. The plant has a capacity sufficient to take care of the needs of Ranger.

"We are able to deliver to all parts of the city, giving prompt and efficient service," Mr. J. C. Pierson, the proprietor, said in an interview. "In order to better serve the people of Ranger, we have secured the services of Mr. W. L. Nowell who has taken charge of our delivery department. Mr. Nowell is from Stamford, Texas, and although he has been with us only a short time, he is rapidly making acquaintances and friends in the city and is quite an asset to our business."

Mr. Pierson is also a native of the

Stamford neighborhood, where he received his early education in the public and high schools, going later to A. & M. His family consists of a wife and two children. He is a member of the Central Baptist Church and belongs to the Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen. Two years ago he bought out the Distilled Water company, which was established here in the early days of the boom, filling one of the most important needs of the city at that time. Since taking over he plant Mr. Pierson has constantly enlarged and improved it until now it is one of the foremost business concerns of its kind in West Texas. Both the Electrozone and Purity water is delivered in five gallon bottles to the homes, cafes and business houses of the city, assuring the people a high class drinking water that is free from all germs and impurities and especially safe for the hot weather season when one's health needs to be particularly safeguarded.

George's Cafe Like Phoenix Withstands Fire

The popular restaurant, known as George's Cafe, where Ranger people can get good food at reasonable prices, is owned by George Capilos, who located here at the beginning of the boom, and like all Ranger people of the boom days, he has known adversity as well as prosperity, but has always succeeded in staging a good comeback after every disaster. George's Cafe has survived four fires, all of them wiping the business entirely out, and all of them without insurance. The last of these disastrous conflagrations occurred when the McCleskey hotel and adjoining property was destroyed two years ago.

Mr. Capilos is an experienced restaurant man and knows that the old adage about a man's stomach being the way to his heart is substantially true. That is perhaps why George is so well known and liked throughout the Ranger territory, for he serves the sort of food that appeals to the most exacting appetite. Especially is his place famous for its splendid coffee, which many people declare to be the best in town. Whether that be true or not, it is a fact that the restaurant's food is uniformly good and wholesome, well cooked and carefully prepared, and especially appetizing because it is nicely served. Any one who has ever eaten there can understand why George has been able to open up again after every fire, and achieve success after discouragement.

Lightning destroyed a church clock in Easton, Pa. It was an antique. Quite an old timer.

Most women feel perfectly safe in calling their husbands liars.

All thrones are too uncomfortable for sitting purposes.

GROWTH OF BANNER ICE CREAM COMPANY EQUALS THAT OF ITS TERRITORY

Dillingham Head Of Concern Is Native Of Blue Grass State; Wed A West Texas Girl

During the last year the Banner Ice Cream Company has enjoyed one of the most rapid growths of its history. The company has now expanded to include Cisco, Abilene and Winters, in addition to the Ranger house. Because of having plants in these several cities, it is possible for the company to cover the entire West Texas territory, furnishing ice cream from Weatherford to Pecos, from Wichita Falls to Lubbock, and from Brownwood to San Angelo.

The plant at Abilene, which is nearing completion, is one of the most modern in the Southwest. The very latest machinery has been installed in this plant, all of the equipment being glass lined, the newest development in the manufacture of ice cream. The plant will have a capacity



O. D. DILLINGHAM

of 3,500 gallons a day. The building in which the plant is located is being erected of steel and concrete with partitions of brick, which makes it fireproof throughout.

The Winters plant is about completed, and is being installed in connection with the Winters Ice and Fuel company. This is also a modern and well equipped plant, and will cover the territory as far as San Angelo, Coleman and Paine Rock. The Abilene territory will extend from Snyder to Pecos, and the Cisco branch will work the country from Albany and Moran to Dublin, De Leon and Cross Plains, while the

Ranger plant will continue to supply the eastern part of the territory with the famous brand of Banner cream.

The company is owned by O. D. Dillingham, one of the most active and successful business men of West Texas. Starting as a country boy on a farm, Mr. Dillingham has proven his business ability by his various connections with the foremost interests of this part of the state. He is primarily a manufacturer of ice, from which industry the ice cream business is a branch. His first business connection was an ice and fuel company at Winters. In 1922 Mr. Dillingham bought the Hub Ice Cream & Storage Co., of Ranger, installing new equipment and enlarging the plant to meet the needs of a prosperous and growing city. From this plant the Banner Ice Cream Company evolved.

In Breckenridge Mr. Dillingham is half owner in the Dillingham and Alexander Company, which manufactures ice and ice cream for distribution as far as Graham, Olney and almost to Wichita Falls.

"The ice cream business is growing in leaps and bounds everywhere throughout the country," Mr. Dillingham said. "The reason for this is that people are beginning to realize that ice cream is a food and not a luxury. The nutritious and healthful qualities of ice cream has made it one of our most popular foods."

Mr. Dillingham, who is now 40 years old, was born in Kentucky, and moved to Texas with his parents when he was 14. They located in Hill County where he attended the rural schools and helped his father on the farm. Later the family moved to Winters where Mr. Dillingham was destined to begin his successful business career.

In 1908 he was married to a Balingier girl, and during the first year following his marriage he worked on a farm and cleared \$600, this small capital being the basis of his future fortune. He acquired his first ice and fuel business, and in the meantime began accumulating farm property, selling one half at a profit and retaining the other half. In later years real estate deals in Breckenridge, Graham and elsewhere yielded their share of profit.

Today, in addition to his various ice, fuel, and ice cream businesses, Mr. Dillingham owns several farms in Runnels county, is president of the Citizens State Bank of Ranger, and vice president of the Ranger Times. He is also a member of the board of Shemons University; secretary and treasurer of the Texas Ice Cream Manufacturers Association; a member of the executive board of the Southern Ice Manufacturers Association, and a member of the executive board of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.



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CUPIDS RINGS FEATURE BIG JEWEL DISPLAY

Dunlap, Oldest Jeweler
Knows Peoples' Wants
Has Superb Stocks

C. H. Dunlap has the distinction of being the oldest jeweler in Ranger, his business here extending back to the days of the boom. He brought to the city the benefit of his wide and successful experience as a jeweler and optician, and he has added a pleasing personality to natural business integrity, which has made him widely and popularly known throughout the Ranger trade territory.

Mr. Dunlap carries a complete line of jewelry, and is especially equipped to cater to the needs of Ranger in the matter of diamonds, both in handsome mountings and in unset jewels.

In keeping with the month of June, which is the most romantic of all the months of the year, Mr. Dunlap has provided himself with a

large and select assortment of engagement and wedding rings, as an aid to Cupid. He has also a nice selection of handsome jewelry suitable for wedding or anniversary presents.

Among other things Mr. Dunlap is at this time featuring a splendid line of wrist watches, and has a newly arrived selection of watch bracelets in white gold.

Mr. Dunlap carries a large stock in a small store, and on account of keeping down his overhead expenses he is enabled to give very close prices, and also extend attractive installment inducements to the purchaser. His business has enjoyed a steady and rapid growth.

JAP CAMPHOR INDUSTRY PREPARES LOWER PRICES

By United Press.
TOKYO, Japan.—The price of camphor is coming down.

To cope with the growing competition of German synthetic camphor the Japanese camphor monopoly, which controls camphor prices of the world, has decided on a program of greatly increased production and lower prices which, it is hoped, will make manufacture of the German product unprofitable.

You have to keep your nose to the grindstone if you want to turn it up at the bill collectors.

It's all right to toe the mark yourself, but someone else is always toeing the easy mark.

WOMEN'S CLUBS OF RANGER RANK AMONG THE BEST IN THE STATE FEDERATION OF ORGANIZATIONS

President of Texas Mothers Congress And
Parent-Teachers Association Lives In
City of Flowing Gold

With one state officer and four chairmen on the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs board, another woman who is state president and one who is district president of the Texas Mother's Congress and Parent-Teacher associations, Ranger club women are justly proud of their place in clubdom—a place they have gained by meritorious work.

The 1920 club of Ranger could be called the mother club and today it has a lusty child in the New Era club, and a growing grandchild in the Junior New Era club. Besides these three clubs, all literary, there are two other literary clubs, the Sorosis and the Delphian, and the Child Welfare club, which fill the function that the name suggests.

Besides these clubs each school has its Parent-Teacher club, filled with enthusiastic, earnest women, all fighting for the welfare and improvement of the school. One club this year started a movement for a new ward school. They declared without hesitation that the present Central Ward school, especially as pertains to its primary department was unsanitary, unhealthful, and sowed the seeds of discontent that resulted in the call that resulted in voting \$30,000 worth of bonds for a new ward school, which work will start even before this paper is issued.

Junior High School.
Then another body decided that the need for a junior high school was here and in some way they pulled the ropes, until it is an assured fact.

The clubs of Ranger go about doing good. Just this spring the Delphians started a fund towards beautifying the High school campus and over \$100 has been spent in planting shrubs and grass and they were indirectly behind the Arbor day movement that resulted in the High school grounds being beautified with sturdy trees.

They are still planning on further beautification, which includes a brick or stone wall around the school yard, which will not only add to its beauty, but will hold the soil and assure the grass a place for its roots to find a home.

Specific Work.
Each club does some specific work. The pet of the 1920 club is a student loan fund, and in a few days they will have the pleasure of welcoming home a very promising young Ranger youth, a graduate of last year's High school class, who owing to this loan has been able to attend the university this past year. Needless to say they will see their protege through the university if he so desires and they will be bitterly disappointed should he not wish to return for the next three years. The New Era club has a pet beauty spot that they claim for their own. This is a plot of ground directly back of the Gholson hotel, that formerly was an abiding place for trash, stray cats and what not, but which now is a grassy oasis, flower bordered.

Dispenses Charity.
The Child Welfare club perhaps extends the most charity. They maintain a school health nurse, who furnishes them once a month with a report of her activities, and in addition to their almost daily charities each Christmas they fill baskets with food, and toys, too, where there are children, and play Santa Claus to Ranger's poor. They have helped many sad cases. One little girl who had tu-

berculosis of the hip, they sent to John Sealey hospital at Galveston and kept her there until she was cured.

They maintain an investigating committee which is most thorough in its work and dispense help and charity where it is needed. They meet once a month at the Gholson hotel, where they enjoy a luncheon followed by a business meeting.

Delphian.
The Delphian club is a strictly study club, as is the Sorosis club, which is one of the newest clubs in Ranger.

The Columbia Study club is what its name implies. It meets twice a month in the morning and devotes itself to study without any social features.

The Junior New Era club is really a business or professional woman's club, and this past year the club studied Emerson. A number of its meetings are social, as the women who work and the girls who teach feel the need of the relaxation it gives them. They concluded their year's work with a splendid banquet at the Gholson.

In Federation.
In addition to these clubs, Ranger club women belong to the County Federation and the County Council and early in the year had the pleasure of entertaining with the County Federation a number of state officers of the federation, among whom were Mrs. J. U. Field, state president; Mrs. R. Q. Lee, state treasurer; Mrs. M. H. Hagaman, second vice president; Mrs. Reagan of Cisco, a past district president of the federation, and a number of other notable women, in a tea at the Gholson hotel.

Mrs. M. H. Hagaman of Ranger, one of Ranger's foremost club women is second vice president of the Texas Federation, a position which she fills with queenly dignity. Mrs. Hagaman is at present attending the general federation at Atlantic City.

Mrs. O. L. Phillips is chairman of legislation, Mrs. R. H. Hodges chairman of policy, and Mrs. M. H. Hagaman is parliamentarian, all on the state board of T. F. W. C., and Mrs. J. M. White chairman of state highways and memorial tree planting.

Mrs. C. E. Maddocks is state president of the Mothers' Congress and Parent-Teacher association, and is a busy woman. Her summers are practically spent in lecturing before different teacher bodies at various state normals and a great portion of her time is given to various board meetings. She was of course a delegate to the national congress at Atlantic City, at which time Texas received the handsome Evarts loving cup for the greatest number of life memberships.

Mrs. N. A. Jenet is district president of Mothers' Congress and Parent-Teacher associations, and is doing splendid work.

Another club that is of late origin but far reaching in its work is the Child Study club, and still another is the Pre-School club, which deals solely with the health and problems of the child of pre-school age. The Gholson hotel is the meeting place of practically all Ranger clubs, but it is rumored that before another year rolls around that Ranger clubdom will be housed in a community clubhouse on par with that one recently bought and furnished by the clubs of Eastland.

BOYD MOTOR COMPANY LATEST BIDDER FOR THE AUTOMOBILE BUSINESS

Firm Sells Oakland
And Pontiac General
Motors Production

One of the newest, of the many new business corners recently opening in Ranger, is the Boyd Motor company, owned and managed by G. J. Boyd, who for several years has been a popular and well known resident of the city. Mr. Boyd has lived here since 1920, during which time he has been employed by the Chestnut-Smith company in a position of responsibility, until the organization of the Boyd Motor Company.

Mr. Boyd was born and reared in Groesbeck where he received his early education, later attending Baylor University at Waco. It was while in Waco that he enlisted in the service, and in June, 1918, he went overseas, remaining until several months after the war. He was discharged on Oct. 1, 1919, and located in Ranger the following January. From that time until he went in business for himself, Mr. Boyd had charge of the warehouses, local purchasing and transportation for Chestnut-Smith.

April 15 On Owa Hook
On April 15 of this year he opened an agency handling the Oakland and Pontiac cars, and although this is his first experience in the automobile business he has met with instant success.

"Our business during the first month since we opened far exceeded our expectations," Mr. Boyd says. "And the outlook is good for the future. We sell automobiles made by the General Motors company, a concern which has proven its ability in the manufacture of cars with a national reputation. The cars we sell are durable,

beautiful, and attractively priced, the kind of car the owner can afford to buy and operate, and can confidently expect to get the maximum of service out of. And at the same time he can feel a justified pride in ownership, for the appearance of the Oakland and Pontiac fill the most exacting requirements. With the product we have to offer to the people of Ranger, we believe we can hope to grow and prosper with the town. Ranger is a wide-awake, progressive and flourishing city, and with the cars we sell I believe we can hope to receive gratifying results. At any rate, we are certainly getting a good start."

Bright Future
Because of being so well known in Ranger, Mr. Boyd has an especially bright future in the automobile field, for the personal element enters in this business more than most other lines. His qualifications of honor and integrity, his good business judgment, and his pleasing personality combine to make an outstanding figure of the community, and explain his popularity with his big circle of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Boyd belongs to the American Legion, and has a family consisting of a wife and baby daughter.

The Boyd Motor Company is equipped with a shop sufficient to take care of its service work. The department is in charge of R. L. Acrea, a man of ability and wide experience.

Two Salesmen
Two salesmen of considerable local prominence complete the small but efficient organization. J. H. McLean is a man of much sales ability, and has been connected with local automobile companies for some time. F. G. Head of Thurber, who is also a suc-

cessful salesman, is one of the contributing factors in the company's success.

The Boyd Motor company is located at 177 North Commerce, is a large adequate and attractive brick building where the Oakland and Pontiac can be fittingly displayed and where the service is looked after in an adjoining building.

It is firms like this, expressing the confidence in the future development of Ranger, that has made the city so progressive and has helped Ranger to become the foremost of the oil field cities.

TROUBLE AHEAD

Henry's father, a farmer and stock grower, took several carloads of hogs reared on his own farm, to Chicago, where he sold them to a great meat packing firm. While in Chicago, Henry's father received the following letter from his little boy:

"Dear Papa: Did you see Mr. Armour kill that big fat hog with the black tail and didn't he think he was buster? I was sorry to see the hogs leave the farm, and most of all you."

"Your loving son—Henry."

Wife: "Georgie, is that you?"
Georgie: "Why certainly! Who else are you 'specting at this time of night?"

One evening a farmer met his man with a lantern and asked him where he was going.

"Courtin'," was the reply.
"Courtin'," said the farmer, "with a lantern? I never took a lantern with me when I went courtin'."

"I thought not," replied the man, "when I first saw your missus."

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BILL'S CLEANING PLANT IS MONUMENT TO CLOSE ATTENTION TO CLOTHES

Conscientiousness In Business Brings Profitable Rewards

Another of the successful Ranger firms dating back to the memorable boom, is Bill's Dry Cleaning plant on Tiffin road, owned and operated by W. R. Clardy.

The plant is equipped with the most modern machinery and is able to give work on a par with any in West Texas. There may be larger plants, but there are none better, and by being removed from the downtown district and keeping down overhead expenses, Mr. Clardy is enabled to operate his plant on a basis of giving lower prices for the same high quality of work to be found in other cities at a much higher rate.

Donahoo Added.
A recent addition to the force at the plant is L. L. Donahoo, who has had experience in the dry cleaning business extending over a period of 15 years. His connections have been with some of the largest plants in the leading cities of the United States, and his connection with Bill's plant has been quite a benefit to Mr. Clardy in a business way. He is a conscientious and efficient worker and is highly valued by his employer.

Bill's Dry Cleaning company has gained quite a reputation, not only as an odorless dry cleaning plant, but as a restorer of style as well. "It's our boast that we can put the style back into any article," Mr. Clardy said. "Any one who tries our service will be convinced. If any process superior to the one we use should be discovered we would adopt it at once. We give special care to every garment. If a garment can be successfully cleaned we can do it, and when it cannot be successfully done, as for instance in case of stains or spots that won't come out, we frankly tell our patron, and by this policy we have won the confidence of our customers. And we always make good any loss or damage that might happen to a garment while in our possession."

Upshur County.
Mr. Clardy was born in Upshur county where he operated a restaurant before locating in Ranger at the beginning of the boom. His first business here was a little variety store which was highly successful. As every old-timer knows, the business



W. R. CLARDY

section was extremely crowded at that time because of the rapid growth of the town, and it was customary for several firms to operate in one building, and often times million dollar deals were consummated over a window sill. So as a matter of economy in space, Mr. Clardy shared his business house with a cleaning plant which operated in the rear of the store. And, further, to oblige his tenant, he accommodately received garments from customers wanting their garments cleaned, and turned them over to the cleaner.

In this manner Mr. Clardy became attracted to the cleaning business, recognizing its interesting features and exceptional possibilities. So he bought out the little plant, and from that small beginning he has developed his present prosperous business which is second to none in this part of the country in the matter of quality and service. The plant is now improved with several thousands of dollars worth of machinery, the best that can be obtained for a modern cleaning plant.

Wife Aids.

Mr. Clardy is ably assisted in the

business by his wife who personally supervises the work done on all women's apparel, checking up on every garment before it goes out of the plant. This perhaps explains why Bill's dry cleaning plant is so popular with the ladies. Mrs. Clardy is a charming and capable woman whose value to the business is inestimable.

Mr. Clardy is a man of unusual personality, quick to make friends and win confidence of the people. He is earnest and sincere, and has a big, frank smile that wins the stranger on first acquaintance, and soon converts him into a staunch friend. Because of this splendid characteristic he is known as "Bill" to every one who comes in contact with him, which explains why his business is operated under the familiar title of "Bill's Cleaning Plant." The friendliness and personal contact of that name has been a big factor in popularizing the establishment.

Health Is Most Important Factor For Marriage

By SAMUEL BROWN, M. D. Member Gorgas Memorial Institute (Written for the United Press)

CHICAGO, June 1—June is the month of brides.

In this month there will be many new families founded. That they should be founded under proper auspices is all important to the welfare of the race. Linking the disease with the healthy is building on a foundation of sand, for under such circumstances the new family is starting under a severe handicap.

Many states have passed eugenics laws, which require medical examination of prospective married couples, before marriage licenses will be issued. These laws have strong advocates in all parts of the nation. But such laws may be evaded and will continue to be evaded until the public comes to the consciousness that health should be the foundation stone for every marriage. It is difficult to legislate health into a people. It is better to educate the public to the need for health when the teaching of health becomes an established factor. Regardless of laws the common sense health rules will prevail.

The first step, therefore, for those contemplating matrimony is to have a health audit. Is the man healthy? Is the woman healthy? Perhaps there is some defect which can easily be remedied. If both are healthy, barring throwbacks to previous generations, the children will be healthy and if this process is repeated for several generations a more robust and sturdy race will result.

J. C. SMITH DRY GOODS COMPANY FIRST ESTABLISHMENT TO OPEN HERE WHEN M'CLECKEY BLEW IN

Began His Career In Oklahoma, Operator Sent Him To Ranger

J. C. Smith, owner and manager of the dry goods store which bears his name, has been a resident of Ranger since 1918, arriving shortly after the McCleskey well blew in. Mr. Smith opened the first store in the little town that was to become a prosperous city, after the discovery well presaged the boom times that were to come. It was perhaps by getting in ahead of the crowd that Mr. Smith succeeded in establishing himself so firmly in the business life of the city, that he is able to say today: "I have never had a minute of reverses since being in Ranger."

Going back to the beginning of his local career, Mr. Smith was a young business man in Oklahoma, looking for new fields to conquer. It was his intention to establish himself in some little lead or zinc mining town, but he happened to meet an oil man, just returned from Ranger and enthusiastic about the opportunities which this field has to offer, and he allowed himself to be persuaded to try the southern location.

Boom Predicted.
"That oil man told me, Ranger would see the greatest boom in the history of the world," Mr. Smith said. "So I decided to come here before the boom, and sort of get an edge on things, you know. So I arrived when the McCleskey well was still flowing oil on the grounds, and a frantic effort was being made to secure adequate storage tanks for it. I became convinced this would be the greatest opportunity of a lifetime, so I opened a little store, with only \$10,000 worth of stock, in the Bobo building."

"From the start the business was a success. We could have sold four times the goods we were able to carry, if we had had the stocks. But getting supplies in those days was a big problem, and business firms, whether they sold dry goods, furniture or drilling machinery, had more demands than they were ever able to supply. We could all have operated our business many times over if we had only been able to get the stocks."

Mr. Smith remained in Ranger from 1918 until the latter part of 1924 at which time he closed out his business here in order to return to Oklahoma to straighten out a family estate. But, like most people who have ever lived here, he couldn't be satisfied anywhere else, so he sold his property in Oklahoma and returned to the scenes of his early prosperity, and again opened a dry goods store, almost directly across the street from his first location. He further proved his intention of re-

maining here permanently from now on by purchasing a home.

Well Lighted Store.

The J. C. Smith Dry Goods company occupies a handsome building, 48 by 123 feet in size, with splendid display windows where the stocks are artistically called to the attention of the public.

The store is not only spacious, but especially well lighted, a fact which every woman customer appreciates, when it comes to matching or selecting colors. There is a general air of friendly hospitality about the place that is immediately sensed by those who wisely do their shopping there, and the whole interior, as well as exterior, is pleasing to the eye. And one might also add, pleasing to the pocket-book, for Mr. Smith specializes on giving high values, at low prices.

The ample stocks include dry goods, ladies' ready-to-wear, millinery, men's clothing, shoes for the family, and other articles found in a well-stocked general dry goods store. Among the featured lines are: Kuppenheimer and Knickerbocker clothing for men; Stetson hats and gloves; Kayser children's clothes; Nunn and Bush ankle-fitting shoes for men, and Duchesne shoes for ladies; Hoteprof, hosiery, and the Goullber and Regent lines of ladies' millinery.

Capable Salesforce.

A capable and courteous salesforce assists Mr. Smith in handling his large following of customers. Mrs. Ethel Horton, a popular saleslady of the city, is buyer and manager of the piece goods department, assisted by Miss Louise Baker. Mrs. Lelia Spiegel has charge of the hosiery department.

The ladies' ready-to-wear is capably handled by Mrs. J. C. Smith, who is also widely known in the city. W. B. Trammel has charge of the shoe department, E. E. Trammel of the men's clothing, and Roy Trammel is assistant in the furnishings department. Mrs. Leola Martin is the cashier.

Mr. Smith's family consists of his wife, a capable business woman, and his 14-year-old son, James, who is a popular high school boy. Possessed of a pleasing personality, characterized by an earnestness and directness that inspires confidence, Mr. Smith is easily one of the foremost business men of the city, one whose success is well merited by conscientious effort and square-dealing business relations with his fellow citizens.

Cats were first bred in Egypt to eat the rats that ate the grain that lay in the storehouses that Pharaoh built. The dogs and cats were so useful that they finally became gods.

BOURDEAU BROS. PLANING MILL RENDERS SERVICE

First To Operate When Oil Boom Made Tent Life a Luxury For The Fortune Hunters

Prominent in the business life of the city is the Bourdeau Brothers Planing Mill, which is located at 429 South Rusk street, and fills a great need in the development of Ranger. That need is the building of homes.

As is so often the case with boom towns, Ranger grew faster in population and business activities than it did in residences, and as every survivor of the hectic oil days well remembers, the crowded conditions of seven or eight years ago was little short of congestion. Families camped out in tents, or occupied hastily constructed shacks. Indeed, the person who was fortunate enough to have a shack was considered quite prosperous. While the hotels were so badly overflowing it was necessary to put cats in the halls, and the story is even told of large sums being paid for the privilege of occupying a chair in the lobby.

Wind and Slush

But after the rains had cleared, and the mud of the streets had given place to permanent paving, and substantial office buildings began to rear their heights above the newly prosperous city, then did the more conservative element of Ranger begin to realize the necessity of building homes that would promote the family life of the town, for the family is the unit of every community. That is where the firm of Bourdeau Brothers, first began to render their conspicuous service to the city. They opened their mill in 1919, and from the first enjoyed a highly pros-

perous business. Although at that time they did only mill work, their business grew to the point where they began outside contracting, and they have since erected some of the hand-mest homes in the city.

Not only in the matter of the beauty of their homes, but in durability, have the Bourdeau Brothers distinguished themselves. It is the unvarying policy of the firm to build on substantial plans, so that the homes they erect will be a credit to the town in which they are built, and will long remain a monument to the company that built them. These homes are built on plans that are convenient as well as durable, so that the owners will take a pride in ownership.

Partners

The partners in the firm are C. I. and W. N. Bourdeau, who are two of the city's most prominent business men, recognized for the integrity of their dealings with the business public. Their plant is one of the best equipped in this part of the state. They do an extensive line of cabinet work, install store fixtures, and have put in some of the most attractive business fronts in the city, among them being the Globe, E. H. & A. Davis, the Julianna Shop, and the Durham & Pettitt jewelry store. The machinery at their plant is busy from morning to night, attesting the success of the firm, and the plant itself is large and modern in every way.

The brothers were born in Vermont. One of their first business connections was in California where they conducted a business in a little oil town of that state, but when the Ranger boom attracted national attention shortly after the war, they decided they could find greater opportunities here, and removed to the "City of Flowing Gold" with their families. Since then they have made themselves a substantial place in the community by their business ability and their lively interest in civic affairs.

In 1904 the estimated wealth of this country was \$107,000,000,000. In 1922 it was nearly \$321,000,000,000. The stock of money in the United States rose from \$2,803,000,000 in 1904 to \$8,746,000,000 in 1924.



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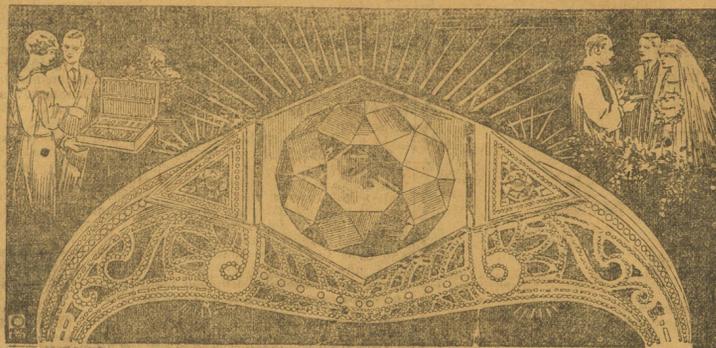
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DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY AT UNIVERSITY IS KNIGHTED

AUSTIN, Texas.—In addition to being a world famous geologist, Dr. J. A. Udden director of the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas, has had an interesting career as could be found. He has engaged in many lines of work besides his chosen profession as a geologist, and has enjoyed and succeeded in all of them. Knight of the Order of the North Star, scientist, newspaperman, teacher, author of one hundred and three bulletins on geological and astronomical subjects—these are unique features of the career of Dr. Udden. Comparatively few people know, however that the genial director of the University bureau of economic geology and technology is entitled to sign himself Sir Johan August Udden, A. B., Ph. D., Sc. D. should he choose.

Dr. Udden is perhaps the only member of the University faculty who has been knighted by a king and is one of the few men in the United States to have been thus honored for scientific achievements. In 1911, while he was occupying the Oscar 11 chair of natural history at Augustana College in Rock Island Illinois, Dr. Udden was knighted by King Oscar 11 of Sweden through the Swedish consul, in recognition of his distinguished work as a scientist and an educator. He was decorated with the Order of the North Star, an honor accorded by Swedish monarchs to men of merit who have achieved unusual distinction in some field of endeavor. Only about twenty men in the entire United States have had

this honor bestowed upon them.

Not Natur Son

While not a native American, Dr. Udden has spent most of his life in this country. Born in Lekasa, Sweden, in 1859, he was brought when a baby to Carver, Minnesota, where his youth was spent.

"All my life, I have been interested in geology," said Dr. Udden. "I took up the work when I was a boy, just because I wanted to. Shortly after my graduation from Augustana College in 1881, I began teaching geology, zoology, and botany at Bethany College in Linsborg, Kansas. I was professor of natural history there for eight years."

It was while teaching at Bethany College that Dr. Udden did his newspaper work. In addition to his pedagogical duties, he edited two county papers, serving several thousand readers.

Likes Newspaper Work

"I liked newspaper work very much indeed," said Dr. Udden, "but I found it too hard to do in connection with other work. I took up journalism only as a side issue, I was teaching all the time. Sometimes I wish I were teaching yet because I always enjoyed it."

After leaving Bethany College, Dr. Udden taught at Augustana College for 23 years, from 1888 to 1911. In 1900 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Augustana College and has since been accorded two honorary degrees of Doctor of Science, one in 1921 from Bethany College and the other in 1923 from

Texas Christian University at Fort Worth.

"My first public work," the scientist confided, "was the preparation of a geological section through the state of Illinois from Rock Island to Chicago, a distance of about 200 miles. This map was exhibited at the World Fair held at Chicago in 1904. Later I did a good deal of work with geological surveys in Illinois and Texas."

Texas 1903

Dr. Udden first became connected with the University of Texas in 1903 when he helped make a mineral survey of portions of West Texas assisting Dr. W. B. Phillips who was then head of the University bureau of geology. More than ten years later, Dr. Udden accepted a position as a member of the University faculty and in 1915 assumed the office he still holds, director of the Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology.

"The chief function of bureau," he explained, "is to make a geological survey of the whole state in order to show just where is located the natural resources and vast mineral wealth of Texas. For such a big state this is an enormous task. So far only four or five units have been completely mapped, and it will be many years before the entire state can be completely surveyed. The mineral resources of Texas are almost unlimited. The geological maps which we are making will help prospectors to locate and develop this natural wealth for the benefit of the people of the state."

JAPANESE DEBT

By United Press.

TOKYO, Japan.—Japan's national debt is 5,026,124,000 yen, or more than two and a half million dollars gold, the finance ministry announces adding that interest on the huge amount is 240,000,000 yen yearly. The debt amounts to approximately 84 yen per capita, but less than one half of it is in foreign loans.

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The Ranger State Bank is an institution of which the city can be justly proud, for it has served the citizens of the community as a safe, sound, dependable, and wholly satisfactory bank since it was organized in 1922. It was this bank which helped in a great measure to restore the courage and confidence of Ranger people following the near-panic after the boom.

The officers and directors of the Ranger State Bank represent some of the foremost business interests of the city. The president is M. H. Hagaman, who is popularly and affectionately known as the "father of Ranger." For thirty years or more, Mr. Hagaman has been one of the leading citizens of Ranger, and it is said that he has given to the town more generously both of time and money than any other individual. He was Ranger's first mayor, and is now president of the Hagaman Refining Company, and also president of the Ranger school board, a position he has successfully filled for many years.

Ed S. Britton

Ed S. Britton of Strawn is chairman of the board of directors. He is one of the most widely known men of this part of the state, a financier of much achievement.

Although he is still in his early 50's he is generally rated as a millionaire and is identified with many successful enterprises. He is chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Strawn; president of the Strawn Coal Company, and formerly served for several years as president of the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil Company, of the Thurber Brick Company, and of the Strawn Mercantile Company. These various activities have fitted him especially well for the responsibility of his office as chairman of the board of the Ranger State Bank.

S. A. Lillard, Jr.

S. A. Lillard, Jr., is vice president and manager of the bank, and although he has recently come to Ranger, he was not long in establishing

himself as an efficient executive. He comes from a prominent family of Decatur, Wise County, Texas, which was his home before locating here last fall. He is identified with many of the Ranger developments during

the last few months, among them being the Building and Loan Association, which he was active in organizing, and the new creamery company here, which fills a great need in Ranger, especially in the matter of affording a ready market for the dairy products of the county. He is a director in the Wichita Falls, Ranger & Fort Worth Railroad Company, and is actively engaged in various civic enterprises.

Cull Mooman, vice president, has lived in Ranger for some time and has done much for the development of the oil business in this territory. He was a successful oil man during the boom days, since which time he has been following the oil business.

I. E. Beavers

The position of cashier is held by I. E. Beavers, who has lived in Ranger for the last two years, coming from the Rio Grande Valley. He has a wide banking experience extending over a period of eight years. He was vice president and manager of the First National Bank at Harlingen before coming to Ranger. When he first located here it was his intention of remaining only 30 days, but it developed that he and Ranger liked each other pretty well, so he decided to remain permanently. Mr. Beavers is one of the most successful of the younger business men of the city, and has achieved popularity with the citizens, as well as success

in a business way. The assistant cashier, Edwin George, Jr., has been in the banking business for eight years, and has lived in Ranger since 1919. He has been with the Ranger State Bank since its organization and is a valuable asset to the institution.

A few statistics will help to illustrate just what the success of the Ranger State Bank has been. According to statements issued during April of the last three years, the deposits of 1924 were \$325,000, the capital, \$75,000, and the surplus, \$1,000. For 1925 the deposits were \$700,000, the capital \$75,000, and the surplus \$1,000. While according to the latest statements issued in April, the deposits for this year are \$736,000, capital, \$100,000, and surplus \$10,000.

This gratifying increase in business from year to year speaks volumes for the institution and the confidence in which it is held by the public. It has been paying a 10% dividend since 1923, and is recognized as a progressive and substantial bank. It has 12 employees on the payroll, as compared with five at the time of organization, and it owns its own building, a handsome two-story structure with offices on the second floor.

The bank is provided with all modern banking equipment, fireproof and burglar proof vaults and safes, and safety deposit boxes. It is finished inside in marble and mahogany and furnished in a most attractive manner. As a whole, the bank more than merits the loyalty and support it receives from the Ranger people, who in return appreciate the confidence they are justified in placing in an institution as "tried and true" as the Ranger State Bank.

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In the summer of 1916, in the hope of earning enough money to pay his way through school in the fall, Mr. Williams set up a little bicycle shop at his home near East Main street. The business continued to grow, and by adding new lines from time to time he finally built up to the point where he is now prepared to repair typewriters, guns, phonographs, bi-



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Mr. Williams was married in June, 1920, to Miss Vordie Wilhelm of Dallas, formerly of Ranger. They have two children, a daughter and son, four and two years of age. Mr. Williams is a deacon of the First Baptist church and member of the Modern Woodmen Lodge of Ranger. He owns an attractive home which he has been building himself during the last two years, working on it before and after his work hours at the shop. When completed it will be a modern six-room residence, and a tribute to its owner's ability.

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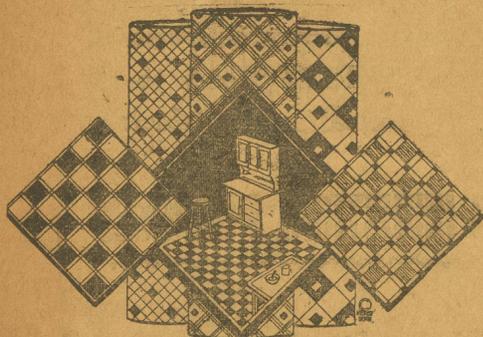
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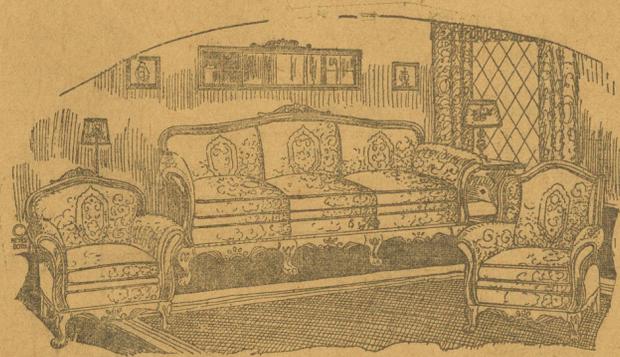
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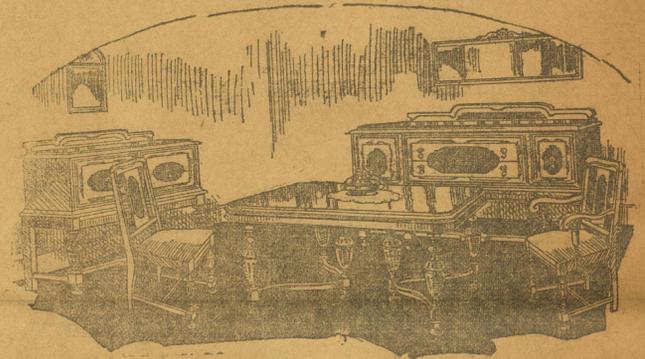
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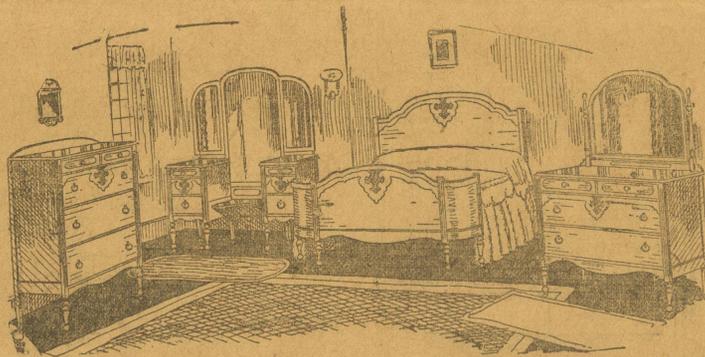
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