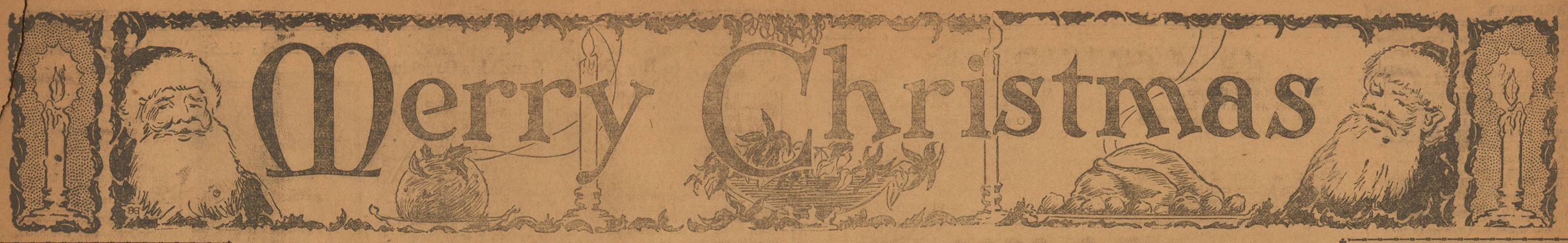

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THE WEATHER

West Texas—Fair, not much change in temperature.

DO YOU KNOW:

Paris has invented a cocktail which gets its kick from ultra-violet rays. Something just had to be done for the American tourist trade.

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WOMAN IS PROBABLY FATALLY BURNED

Store Bandit Gets $5,000, But Customers Capture Him

DALLAS IS SCENE OF BOLD ACT

Man Forces Clerks in Office to Lie on the Floor; Takes Cash.

By United Press.

DALLAS, Dec. 24.—A lone hijacker was captured this afternoon after he held up and robbed the W. T. Grant store here of $5,000.

The man entered the balcony office of the store where H. H. Howard, manager, and a group of clerks were handling money and —with a pistol in his hand—forced those in the office to lie on the floor.

The hijacker scooped up the money and was preparing to leave when a receiving clerk entered the office. The man pointed his gun at the clerk, ordering him to lie on the floor. When the clerk was slow in obeying, the robber struck him on the head.

Jumping over the clerk's body, the bandit started running down the stairs. The manager and others in his office shouted a warning and customers near the entrance seized the hijacker and held him for officers.

GOVERNOR TO STUDY CASE

By United Press.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 24.—Governor Huey P. Long will spend most of his Christmas vacation deciding whether he shall intercede in the pending execution of Mrs. Ada LeBouef and her alleged lover, Dr. Thomas Dreiher, condemned to die on Jan. 5 for the murder of James LeBoeuf, husband of the woman. Long will study complete records of the case, paying special attention to the report of the pardon board which last week recommended commuting the sentences to life imprisonment.

Afflicted Family Is Again Stricken

Tragedy, which has frequently visited the Burks family recently, has struck twice in the past few days.

Several months ago, John S. Burks was struck by a car on the Bankhead highway west of Ranger and was fatally injured. Just a week afterward his little grandson, Billie, was mortally hurt when hit by a Texas & Pacific train.

Mrs. Walter Burks of Abilene, mother of the little boy, lost her grandmother a week ago and then on Sunday, Mrs. Burks' tiny daughter, only a week old, was buried.

The mother, stricken by this series of bereavements, was reported as in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Burks of Ranger are the uncle and aunt of the two children claimed by death. Dean Pulley, brother-in-law of Mrs. Preston Burks, is getting along well though he is still in a wheel chair in a Dallas hospital as the result of an automobile accident four months ago.

Newsboys Receive Papers Today Free

The newsboys receive their copies of the Ranger Times today free —a Christmas custom of this paper for years. Consequently the entire receipts from the sale of the Times on the street will be the boys'.

Everyone buying a Times today therefore is adding materially to the amount that the boy receives and is, thereby, contributing to the happiness of an alert lad who is gaining the lessons of industry and enterprise that mean much to him now and even more when he attains manhood.

WALL STREET LEADER SENDS HIS GREETING

Inspiring Message Is Read to Boys' Sunday School Class.

The largest operator in Wall Street sent a message to Our Heroes class of the Ranger Methodist church Sunday. The letter of Arthur W. Cutten was read by M. F. Peters, teacher of the class. The letter follows:

"Dear Mr. Peters: I am inspired to reply to the request of your Heroes class, because of my interest in boys. Modesty forbids assuming for myself the heroes honor, except as Sir Walter Scott truly says, 'There is no life of a man, faithfully recorded, but is a heroic poem of its sort, rhymed or unrhymed.' My present attention is focused on the development of that modern miracle, the Movietone. This week we have the opportunity to see and hear the king of Spain in our own country. He is standing on Spanish soil with our ambassador, Mr. Hammond, talking to the American people. It is so perfected that every intonation of the voice and every twitch of the face and the muscle movement, is heard and seen, as if standing face to face.

"Your boys are at the very beginning of a new world, and as the saying is 'you haven't seen nothing yet.'

"Distances are being annihilated and all parts of this vast globe are being brought together for your boys' education and amusement.

"Something to look forward to, is it not? Boys of no previous generation have had anything half so alluring to stir their imagination or excite their ambition. Here is an unlimited field of endeavor, because what we think is perfected today in this direction is only the scratching of the surface soil.

"Things that have been hidden from the sight and minds of men from the beginning of time are being disclosed. This is something for the boys to rejoice over, to work out and look forward to, as a part of their great opportunity.

"Then there is the television. Who can visualize problems that

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IOWA PARK IS THE SCENE OF AUTO TRAGEDY

Father Killed, Eight Hurt. Truck is Their Only Home.

By United Press.

WICHITA FALLS, Dec. 24.—H. H. Beasley, 48, was killed instantly, his son, Ambrose, 19, was injured probably fatally and his wife and seven other children were less seroiusly hurt when their truck, parked by the side of the highway, a few miles west of Iowa Park was demolished in a collision with a car driven by a "hit-and-run" motorist Sunday night.

The injured are in a hospital here. Beasley had parked his car on the side of the road to fix the lights. The survivors said the truck was their only home.

Quarter Million Damage by Fire

By United Press.

Houston, Dec. 24.—An estimated loss of $250,000 was the result of a fire that swept almost an entire block of business buildings here early today. The fire is believed to have started either in or near the Hood Rubber Co.

CHRISTMAS!

HAPPINESS WORLD WIDE

HOOVER AFLOAT AS CHRISTMAS MORNING DAWNS

President Coolidge Will Leave for Georgia. England Gladdened By King's Improvement.

By United Press.

ABOARD THE U. S. S. UTAH, Rec. 24.—Christmas eve brought a holiday atmosphere to the vessel which is carrying Herbert Hoover homeward despite the tropical weather. The sea is quiet and the sky is bright and clear tonight with a summer-like breeze.

Members of the president-elect's entourage watched with interest Captain Train's preparation for Christmas on the top deck of the Utah. The ship's officers will be hosts to the officials and newspapermen aboard.

About 100 persons will attend the dinner. Christmas night when white tropical clothes will be in order rather than the costumes to which most of the guests have been accustomed at this time of the year. Christmas mail was delivered to those on board today, adding to the spirit of the holiday. Radio messages and holiday greetings were received from home

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Greetings of The Joyous Season to All Our Friends

On this day—the happiest of the year when the whole world is in tune with the melodies of love and joy—the Ranger Times is grateful to the public for its cooperation and its support, and utters the age-old wish that comes from the heart:

"A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Texas Team Now Westward Bound

"California, here we come," was the war-cry as the Texas high school players, en route to the Golden West, paused in Ranger a few moments Monday evening, aboard the Sunshine Special.

A group of Ranger fans were at the station to greet Garland Hinman, Ranger's famed tackle, who will play against the California all-stars in Los Angeles Saturday. Roughouse Riley, Dallas tackle, also was on the train. The remainder of the team is the Fort Worth Central lineup.

RANGER PEOPLE LOOK FORWARD TO HAPPY DAY

Great Shopping Season Closes and All Smile at the Happiest of Days.

Christmas day in Ranger promises to be a day of sunshiny weather as well as sunshiny hearts. Christmas Eve was a mild autumnal day and the weather forecast for the "day of days" was fair.

Stores Monday afternoon and night were crowded with good natured shoppers buying toys and other gifts that mean joy to recipients and to givers alike. The volume of business was perhaps the greatest that Ranger has known in many years—but pleasing as the large sales have been, undoubtedly the salespeople are truly thankful today that Christmas has dawned and the great rush has ended. Postoffice force and train crews, too, have basis for rejoicing though their traffic will not be back to normalcy until the last of late-mailed gifts are handled.

Hundreds of people from far and near have come back home to spend Christmas with fathers and

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U. S. SHIP AGROUND, IS AFIRE

Three Men Reported Drowned, Eight Others Feared Doomed.

By United Press.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 24 The United States steamer Casper, which grounded off the Finnish island of Utoe, was reported burning tonight. The crew of 30 men were attempting to leave the vessel.

Three members of the crew were reported drowned and eight were said to be still aboard with little chance of rescue because of the extremely rough sea.

The Casper is listed in Lloyd's register as a 4,975-ton vessel built at Hog Island, Pa., in 1919. Its port of registry is Philadelphia. The Casper is 390 feet long and owned by the United States shipping board. It was built by the International Shipbuilding company.

SERIES OF ACCIDENTS ARE FATAL

Fires, Wrecks, Fall From Horse Claim Lives Over State.

By United Press.

HOUSTON, Dec. 24.—One man was killed, a woman seriously injured and several slightly hurt in a series of automobile accidents over the week-end.

Dan W. Smith, 33, died in a hospital Sunday from injuries received on the Cugar Land road, near West Junction.

EL CAMPO, Texas, Dec. 24.—W. Malden, 50, was burned to death when fire destroyed his home here following the explosion of a large oil heater. The body was found after the flames were extinguished.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.—An aged man was suffocated to death and three sisters were forced to flee from their burning home in two fires here early today.

Charles Bomont, 82, was found dead in his room on the third floor of a hotel when other roomers broke into his room after seeing smoke issue from under the door. Bed clothing had been burned from the bed on which his body was lying and the mattress was afire. A pipe which Bomont had been smoking is believed to have started the fire.

Misses Machilde, Roa and Ed Wolf, who conducted an exclusive gown shop in their home, fled from a burning house.

BRYAN, Texas, Dec. 24.—Don C. Richey, 45, was killed instantly when he fell from his horse in the business section here last night. The horse trampled him.

Boy, Deaf-Mute, Loses Eyesight

By United Press.

TEXARKANA, Texas, Dec. 24. Edward Crawford, 10 years old, son of W. A. Crawford, while visiting relatives at White Cliff, 30 miles north of here, exploded a dynamite cap which blew out one eye and destroyed the sight of the other. The boy was brought to a local hospital and doctors said he would be blind for the rest of his life. The boy was born a deaf mute and was celebrating Christmas with noise-makers when the accident happened.

But Today Is a "Total Loss" For This Honest Lad

By United Press.

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 24.—Eddie Kane, former associate with the notorious "Boston Billy" gang, New York society's terrorist jewel robber, said today that "living clean" has caused him nothing but trouble. Eddie saw his friends, James Monathan and Arthur Barry "go up" for jewel thefts. They were Eddie's friends, members of the gang, and things became "too hot" for Kane.

He left New York and came to Kenosha where even the police say Kane's record is clean but his record back east sent other police on his trail and they came here just in time to spoil Eddie's Christmas. Kane is wanted on 25 of the 104 charges of grand larceny against the "Boston Billy" gang. Eastern authorities say they can lay that number directly to Kane. Then there are at least two murders of policemen in which he will be questioned.

But that was not all. The New York police had in mind more than $1,000,000 in jewels have been stolen from a society home and has never been recovered. It might be possible, police said, that a big jewel cache would be found in the vicinity of Kenosha.

Eddie denied all the charges against him and said he had no idea where the jewels were hidden. He now is held awaiting arrival of the eastern authorities, who hope to return him to New York.

Eddie will fight extradition. "I've been on the straight and everyone knows it."

Kane said "they can't take me back for something I didn't do."

Brilliant Play to Feature Clash of All-Star Elevens

The most powerful high school team that ever trod a gridiron—

This is the attraction that is offered fans of Ranger and the remainder of the Oil Belt next Friday afternoon at Eastland when the Oil Belt all-stars clash with the Dallas-Fort Worth all-stars in a game for the benefit of the Eastland stadium fund.

Think of a team with the hip-shaking "Red" Massey of San Angelo and "Loping Lucy" Phelps of the Abilene Eagles as halfbacks; Lee Hammett, Ranger's great punter, passer and runner at quarterback, and Altman Smith, the "human tank," Abilene's 185-pound fullback who runs, plunges the line, passes and punts to round out the group.

And when one of them gets weary there's Connie Smith, that game, gritty little 130-pound quarterback of Eastland, who can hit a dime at 30 yards with a football; little, Cisco's streak; B. Magness, Breckenridges' triple threat man, and Eddleman, the powerful fullback of Cisco, to take their places.

Wont' those combinations circle ends, throw passes and rip the line to a fare-thee-well?

Yes, sir, there is going to be some spectacular football uncorked next Friday at Maverick field.

Chicago Gunmen Invade Memphis

By United Press.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Seven squads of armed detectives were searching Memphis today for three men believed to be Chicago gansters who twice in the last three days have attempted to kill J. F. Jeffoched, a crippled taxi driver, who aided police in the capture of Tom Underwood, 28, alias Frank Devers.

CAR WRECK FOLLOWED BY BLAZE

Carbon-Gorman Highway is Scene; Family on Christmas Journey.

One woman was probably fatally burned, her husband was slightly injured, and their two children narrowly escaped burning to death Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock on the Carbon-Gorman highway, when the car in which they were riding turned over and burned.

Mrs. John A. Smith, Iowa Park, is in the Gorman hospital with little chance of recovery as a result of the pre-Christmas accident.

The family was enroute to Goldthwaite to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

The car, a Ford touring, was about three miles from Carbon when one rear wheel hit the dirt shoulder on the side of the highway when another car passed it.

The light car was flung into the ditch and overturned, pinning all four of the family beneath it.

Hardly had it settled before it burst into flames. With the fire enveloping the machine beneath which the four persons were trapped, passersby worked frantically to remove the victims from the burning mass.

The father was dragged from the machine as well as a daughter and a son. The mother was the last to be removed.

She was rushed to the Gorman hospital suffering from severe burns. She is burned from her waist down, and attendants have little hope for her recovery.

Smith received a burned foot and numerous cuts and bruises. The children escaped with minor injuries.

MEEKER BOUND FOR NEBRASKA

By United Press.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—O. D. Meeker, the medical student who pursued Miss Ruth McConnell across the continent from Rochester, N. Y., last week by train and plane, took off from Salt Lake airport this afternoon on a return flight eastward.

It was reported that Miss McConnell, in whose company Meeker had been seen earlier in the day accompanied him. The report could not be verified.

Meeker boarded a plane piloted by E. G. Bowhan of Omaha and it was understood that Omaha was their destination. Bowhan landed at the airport from Reno, Nev., and Meeker slipped from a taxicab and boarded the plane before he could be questioned.

Miss McConnell and Meeker came here from San Francisco where the medical student overtook the runaway heiress and persuaded her to turn toward home. Miss McConnell intimated she was going to Indianapolis to spend Christmas with her parents.

Christmas Shower For School Janitor

A shower of fruits, nuts and candy was given by the Oak Park school to L. D. Bellap, janitor, who appreciates this very much. He declares that the children the past term have been exceptionally good in regard to not throwing chewing gum on the floors and not breaking window lights. In a message to the children, he urges them to obey their parents and teachers "and you will not go much wrong, and we will have a school that all will be proud of. I am proud of you all now and hope that you will continue to be good."

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THE MODERN MIRACLE.

Miracles don't happen these days—not very often, anyhow. We put our faith in things that we can handle and understand and diagram. A matter-of-fact and skeptical age has stopped looking for marvels, and for that reason it doesn't see any.

But, for all that, we still have one miracle left, that even the most case-hardened of us can experience. Every year, when Christmas comes, each one of us can transform himself, for a space, from what he is into what he would like to be.

Christmas—though the glittering shop windows sometimes lead us to forget it—is more than a day on which we exchange gifts, eat hearty dinners and speak cordially to strangers. It is a celebration of the greatest miracle and the most beautiful story the world has ever known. And, as we celebrate it, we unconsciously absorb something of the reflection of that miracle and that story and become better men and women than we knew we were.

The world 20 centuries ago was not a very refined or civilized place. The southern fringes of Europe were under the domination of Rome. Beyond, in all directions, stretched barbarism. The world's stock of hope was not large.

But into that world came something new—a hope and a promise. Before the eyes of those who would trouble to look there was raised a new vision; a vision that showed mankind proceeding along an ever-mounting road, that showed men, not as blind strugglers in a losing fight with a hostile creation, but as glorious sons of light rising to claim an everlasting heritage.

That vision is still with us. On Christmas day, as we re-read the old story of the little town, the star in the sky, the wondering shepherds, the devout wise men of the east and the caroling angels we realize, once more, the full significance of it.

And that works a miracle within us. For the moment we are lifted out of our daily shells of caution, reserve, fear and suspicion. We get a glimpse of the deathless nobility of all human lives, and it transforms us. We can greet the strangers all about us as we are meant to greet them—as brothers. We forget to be jealous, resentful, suspicious, cold. We become what we have always wished we might become.

The transformation does not endure. A few days after Christmas we go back to our old ways, and the stranger in a crowd is merely someone to elbow out of the way and not an immortal spirit clothed in the miracle of human flesh. But some residue lingers in our hearts. Bit by bit, over long years and centuries, it builds up an accretion of faith, good will and hope.

So we may take courage. Each Christmas leaves us a little better than it found us. Each year, as the tiny lights blaze out on the little green trees, the race moves a little bit closer to the ideals for which we should strive.

$200 DONATED FOR ORPHANS

Two hundred one-dollar bils were contributed Sunday night at the annual Christmas tree service of the Sunday school and church at the First Baptist church. The collection goes to the Buckner Orphans home at Dallas where about 700 children are being taken care of.

At the Christmas tree program, gifts of fruits and nuts were presented by Santa Claus to everyone. A program was rendered by the primary department and by the senior and junior B. Y. P. U.

REAL CHRISTMAS GIFT.

By United Press.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 24.—Admiral Nicholas Horty, regent of Hungary, granted Christmas amnesty to 248 prisoners today.

O, LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O, little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.
For Christ is born of Mary
And, gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O, morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

—PHILLIPS BROOKS

Above is the little town of Bethlehem as it appears today, the arrow pointing to the Church of the Nativity, traditional site of the manger where Jesus Christ was born. Below is a closeup of this hallowed spot within the church as tourists see it. At the right is the little door to the church, built low so as to keep out the roving cattle. It is from the belfry indicated by the arrow that the historic "Bells of Bethlehem" peal forth their happy tidings each Christmas morn.

Hoover Afloat As Xmas Morn Dawns

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and from officers of the Brazilian fleet.

By United Press.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Christmas eve found England thankful and happy in the knowledge that King George was continuing to make steady although slow progress.

An official bulletin issued at 8:30 p. m. said: "The very slow progress by his majesty's local and general condition continues."

No bulletin will be issued until Tuesday evening.

As though to add further cheer to the Christmas atmosphere at Buckingham palace, the Duke of Gloucester arrived today and the royal family will be complete on Christmas day.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—At 8 p. m., President Coolidge pressed an electric button, a gigantic Christmas tree in Sherman Square bloomed as if by magic with a myriad of colored lights and Christmas eve was formally ushered into the nation for arrangements had been made to have community trees throughout the country lighted at the same time.

This was the president's final appearance before the people of Washington this year in an official capacity. Tuesday afternoon he is scheduled to leave for a holiday vacation on Sagelo island, off the coast of Georgia, not to return until Jan. 3.

Mrs. Coolidge after playing aide to Santa Claus at two occasions during the day—one for a mission party and again for the Salvation Army—accompanied the president to the tree celebration.

A delegation of District of Columbia officials greeted the presidential couple as the president touched the electric button, a signal flare in the form of a Christmas star burst high in the air and buglers scattered throughout the city signaled the event of Christmas eve.

Returning to the white house, Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge listened to Christmas carols sung by a large crowd which had gathered to extend the season's greetings. The carol singing was led by a vested church choir. Tuesday morning the president and Mrs. Coolidge are expected to follow their usual custom and attend several church services.

Returning to the white house for Christmas dinner, they will leave for Georgia a few hours later.

$200,000 Cotton Warehouse Blaze

By United Press.

ALANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—Fire early today destroyed the cotton warehouse here. More than 1,900 bales of cotton were completely destroyed and the warehouse valued at $12,000 was complete loss. The total loss estimated at more than $200,000 is partially covered by insurance.

992 FLU CASES.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Reports on the influenza epidemic indicate that Texas has 992 cases and Louisiana 121. Further reports are expected later.

Ranger People Look Forward to Big Day

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mothers here. Other hundreds of course have gone elsewhere to be "back home" again.

No family today found Christmas cheerless and no child awoke to the tragedy of an empty stocking unless the utmost efforts of the Christmas Cheer forces—the Elks, Legion, Salvation Army and other civic organizations—were unable to learn of some case of need, for many a basket was filled and carried to the homes of the less fortunate.

Christmas trees, as usual, were more numerous in Ranger than most cities the nation over, due to the proximity of rugged canyons where suitable trees might be found for the taking.

A bountiful repast of turkey or chicken with stuffing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, fruit cake and other attractive viands was one of the chief events scheduled for the day in countless homes.

No special ways were arranged here to observe the day beyond attending the theater, going for a drive or—best of all, perhaps, sitting by the fire and talking to loved ones of other Christmases and watching Johnny with his train and Jennie with her mama doll.

The Christmas season in Ranger has been orderly. No fires have marred the period.

It seemed that Christmas might dawn with the city jail devoid of tenants but last night there was one man under arrest though it was possible that he might be at liberty before the day of peace on earth, good will to men arrived.

WOUNDED MAN MAY RECOVER

By United Press.

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 24.—With 12 suspects picked up at various places, all the way from Tennessee to Alexandria, La., search continued today for the apprehension of three bandits who attempted to robe the Avenue branch bank here Saturday. Rewards totaling $2,750 have been offered for the arrest of the bandits.

Sheriff Hughes sent a deputy to Covington, Tenn., to look at the suspect there. The suspect is said to have admitted that he drove to Covington from Shreveport Saturday.

Wm. Purnell, bank teller, who was shot in the mouth when he tried to reach for his pistol, is still unable to talk but he wrote a note saying that he saw no one until the shot was fired. He is expected to recover.

PIONEER, 84, IS DEAD

By United Press.

SHERMAN, Tex., Dec. 24.—Bob Shannon, 84, the first white child born in Sherman, died at his country home here Sunday after a short illness.

Wall Street Leader Sends his Greeting

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will be solved in that direction, by the wonderful work by the brain of men? That old saying, 'How frail and weak a thing is man' might well be revised in the light of present day development.

"And now for a few remarks on my views of life, that come to me as a man, but with the recollection of the days of my own boyhood. Perhaps the boys can tell me more than I can impart to them and from a different viewpoint about life, but an exchange of views can harm no one, and may stimulate a mental activity.

"A Greek philosopher of Cyrene in the fifth century B. C., when asked what were the most necessary things for well-born boys to learn said, 'Those things which they will put in practice when they become men.'

"So we realize that during these 25 centuries, boys who succeed are those who look ahead and study for the practical things of the future and do not say, 'Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.'

"However, we must not forget that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. The paramount thing is, be a boy and live a normal life, while you are a boy. It is a grand and glorious feeling to be a boy. Plenty of laughter and shouts of joy with a good measure of study is what makes a boy.

"One must look upward and beyond. The great fields of opportunity lie before you, the greatest era in world's history is at hand. You stand on the threshold. The electrical age. The age of radio, wireless communication, television and road maps of the air to supplement the iron horse in this restless age of learning and travel.

"Believe in your country, but above all else, believe in yourself. Do not depend or lean on anyone else.

"Life is like a piece of virgin fabric that we all start with, direct from the loom of creation. It is up to each of us to weave or work our own destiny upon and into it. Some don't start at a ll and get nowhere. Others work awhile, get discouraged, or meet with obstacles and stop. Some start at a furious, impatient pace and without any particular design, get all tangled up, go part of the way, then find they have a thing of little value. Others first plan a motive and concentrate on it and give to each and every movement equal diligence and care. They are the ones who round out for themselves and posterity a pattern, perfect and complete, and find in the end that their life's work has become a thing of great price.

"The greatest permanent joy in life is good health and plenty of work. To work well, one must love his particular form of labor. Don't waste time or work for which you are not fitted by desire, pleasure and ability.

"Don't start until you know where you want your feet to carry you. Have a good sound reason for going in a certain direction and persevere until you arrive at your destination.

"That concludes what I would personally say to your boys, could I be present during one of your classes.

"Yours truly,
(Signed) "A. W. CUTTEN.

Persia Thanks U. S.

Bearing Christmas gifts and greetings to America from Persia comes Heidary Hanum foremost Persian exponent of equal rights for women. Her mission is to participate in the final campaign of the Near East Relief for $6,000,000 to complete its overseas work.

Many Miraculously Escape In a Smash

By United Press.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 24.—Forty persons were injured today when a train carrying holiday crowds from Melbourne was wrecked in a head-on collision with a freight train at Koowerup station. Five carriages were smashed and officials said it was only a miracle that none was killed.

WOODSON—182 carloads commercial freight consisting mostly of cattle, cotton and sheep have been shipped from this place during last seven months.

Robbing One Store Becomes a Habit

By United Press.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.—Knocking the knob off the combination of a large steel safe with a sledge hammer, burglars got more than $1,000 in cash early this morning from a grocery store. This is the third robbery of the same store in 30 days, merchandise being taken the other times.

'HANIS—Plans under way for paving section of Uvalde-San Antonio highway in this vicinity.

GRATITUDE

Is in our hearts today as we rejoice over the blessing of patrons like ours.

Joy and peace to you! May happiness reign supreme!

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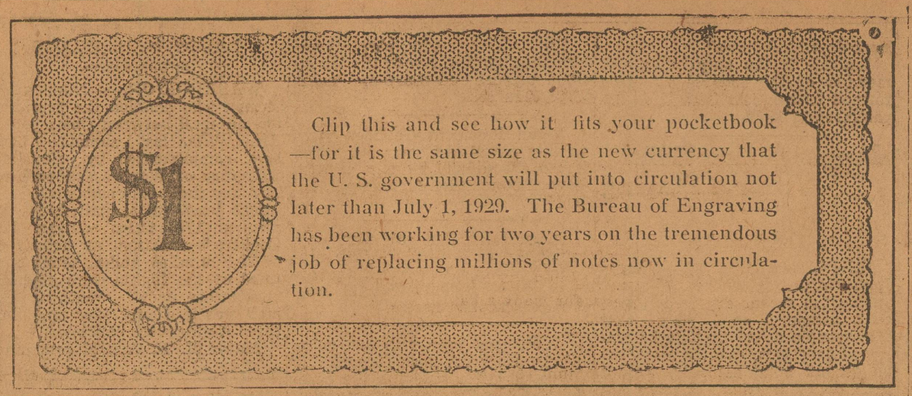
RAIL CRASH, WOMAN DEAD

By United Press.

PALESTINE, Tex., Dec. 24.—While traveling at a high rate of speed around a sharp curve seven coaches of the Sunshine special, crack train of the International & Great Northern railroad, jumped the track Sunday near Neches and piled up in a ditch, a mass of tangled wreckage. One woman, about 26 years of age, was found half buried in mud. She was started to a hospital but died before reaching there. Nothing on her person gave a clew as to her identity.

About 40 others suffered various degrees of injury but none was believed seriously hurt.

Officials of the railroad said investigation disclosed that the wreck was probably caused by spreading rails. The train was running five hours late when the accident occurred and was trying to make up time. Doctors at the railroad hospital here were notified of the wreck soon after it occurred and went to the scene in a special train.



Clip this and see how it fits your pocketbook—for it is the same size as the new currency that the U. S. government will put into circulation not later than July 1, 1929. The Bureau of Engraving has been working for two years on the tremendous job of replacing millions of notes now in circulation.

TOKIO.—Japan has found a new use for obsolete warships. The old wooden cruiser Musashi recently has been converted into a prison ship where juvenile delinquents will be incarcerated and taught the rudiments of seamanship.

Coolidge asks for 15 new cruisers, Paraguay and Bolivia start kicking one another around, a gas is invented that will kill all life within a mile of where it is exploded, French army experts quarrel over the method of defending France in the next war with Germany, and Secretary Kellogg's treaty outlawing war goes to Congress.

ROCKSPRINGS.—Edwards county will market approximately 1,700,000 pounds mohair this year.

We haven't noticed in the news items yet any recommendation to the doctors that a bag of asafetida be tied to King George's bedpost.

Life is made up of trials with an occasional conviction, says Lord Dewar. But, of course, England has no Chicago.

Lured to Death

Here is Joseph Storella, 7-year-old New York boy whose body was found in a marsh near Jersey City as the result of a confession obtained from an intoxicated man picked up by Detroit detectives. Peter Kudzinowski, who was arrested, readily supplied details of the crime and the body of the murdered child was found in circumstances exactly like those described.

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Gholson Hotel Bldg.
Ranger, Texas

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We look to the future in the hope of continuing to serve you.

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Bring You
UNBOUNDED JOY

And the New Year See the Fullfillment of Your Fondest Dreams

That is the wish we send to our friends and patrons and along with the wish we want to give a right hearty "thank you" for your favors of the past year.

Already we are looking forward to plans for 1929 to make our service more worthy of your every trust and to have you feel that you may look to us for every requirement in our line.

RANGER CAFE

HELLO THERE, SANTA CLAUS

This echo has been heard many a time the past few days in our store, for Santa was indeed here to greet the little folks and to see if they have been good during the past year, so that he will know whether they are deserving of the presents they have asked for.

We are always happy during this part of the year, for it seems our opportunity of serving the people, young and old, is ever at its best.

Year by year passes, yet we always have the same good friends, with those others who have been added during the passing of the days. We thank our many friends for their business, and wish for them the happiest of all Christmas.

Westgate-Barnes Tire & Battery Company

WE WOULD NOT RISK A CHRISTMAS CARD

For fear some one may be overlooked in the rush of the holiday season, so we have reserved this space to broadcast our

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To all who have favored this business in any way during the year past. We feel very grateful for the patronage we received during 1928 and will strive earnestly in 1929 to make our service and our prices the most attractive in our line in the city.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AND BEST WISHES

FOR 1929

We give ourselves over completely as we are caught up in the fine, rare spirit of the holiday season—the time when the whole world seems akin—when happiness and good cheer fills the very atmosphere. And we are wishing for each of you that a full measure of the season's joys will be yours.

We've tried mighty hard to make our business all that our patrons would have it be. We are always open for suggestions for the improvement of our service. We want and solicit not only a continuation of your patronage during the new year but your kindly co-operation as well.

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AS THE CURTAIN COMES DOWN

UPON THE ACTS OF THE CLOSING YEAR

we take much pleasure in thanking our friends for whatever share they have given us of their business and for anything else they may have done toward making our year the success it has been.

We make it our purpose to deal fairly, courteously and promptly with all who patronize us in any way, and solicit future business upon this meritorious basis.

And now we wish for every one a merry, merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

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Ranger, Texas

Park Avenue House More Super Rich Than All England

By United Press.

NEW YORK.—Three miles of millionaires. Not only the richest street in the world, but a street whose total wealth overshadows that of many Old World nations.

That is what the miracle of American prosperity has made of Park Avenue, New York, even in the brief span since the 1880s, when penniless squatters kept pigs and cows behind their shacks which lined the right-o-way of a smoky, noisy railroad.

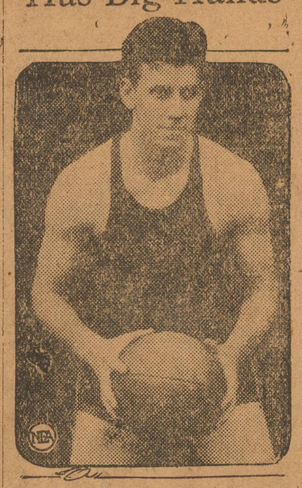
Park Avenue, within the memory of men still living, was a rocky highway. Today its three miles are lined with towering palaces, housing 20,000 people whose aggregate wealth totals between three and five billion dollars and whose average expenditure per family is $84,000 annually.

Such is the picture of "Croesus' Sixty Acres" presented by Maurice Mermey in the North American Review for January. "The avenue glitters before the eye in an atmosphere of gold," says the author. "Whereas Great Britain, on whose Empire the sun never sets, has 562 millionaires, Park Avenue, whose three miles even a mediocre athlete can run in less than 16 minutes, has more than 2,000."

"A 100 by 100 foot plot on the evenue today sells for about $2,000,000," he continues. "On this basis Park Avenue's present land value is $250,000,000, and its buildings are worth as much, or more."

But that is only a fraction of what is to come. "With the end of another decade its population, wealth, purchasing power and property values will double. Forty thousand persons will live in massive apartment houses, most of them a block long, 100 feet deep and twelve to twenty stories high. Those people will have a combined fortune of ten billions of dollars, and they will spend a cool billion a year. Four thousand millionaires or more will live in the giant masses of steel and concrete and the value of these buildings and the land on which they set will be one billion dollars," predicts the article.

Has Big Hands



Dale "Muddy" Waters, star tackle of the Florida football team, is rated as one of the best basketball guards in the south and he boasts of the biggest pair of hands in the game. He is 19 years old, weighs 197 pounds stripped and comes from Newcastle, Ind. He won three freshman numerals and when he reported to the freshman football coach he weighed only 165 pounds.

Cleveland Fire Chief 81 and Still Young

United Press Staff Correspondent

CLEVELAND, O.—George A. Wallace, Cleveland's 81-year-old fire chief, keeps young answering alarms and putting out fires.

That's about the only explanation one can offer as they view the veteran of hundreds of conflagrations directing dozens of companies under conditions which would appeal to few persons.

There are surely not many whose jobs agree so well with them.

Wallace, tall and straight, walked into his office the other day chewing and puffing a black cigar. It was 10 a. m.

"Yeah," he said, referring to a $75,000 fire in which two rooming houses were partly destroyed, 'it was a tough fire. Very smoky. And a smoky fire is worse than one full of flames. My men can see nothing. It is very disagreeable work for them."

Wallace didn't say how disagreeable it was to him. He spoke only of "his men."

Speaking of the effects of a fire on firemen, Wallace said:

"Smoke is bound to get into their bronchial tubes. Some come to me and complain.

"Here's my remedy," he said. "I tell them to hunt up a bootlegger the next day and they'll be all right. Of course, when they ask me where to find one, I couldn't do that.

"I couldn't tell them if their lives depended on it."

Wallace is the only surviving member of the original 73 who formed Cleveland's first fire department in 1869.

Ranger Makes Bond After a Slaying

By United Press.

WINK, Tex., Dec. 24.—Ranger John Northcott, whose activities during the recent dry raids here were esteemed so highly that townspeople asked that he be stationed here permanently, was free on $2,500 bond after he waived preliminary hearing Sunday in connection with the death of George Helmer, rooming house proprietor.

Helmer was shot and killed when Northcott went to his establishment to look for four men who had broken out of jail after cutting a hole in the roof. According to officers, Helmer was shot when he refused to let officers search his place.

The talking moving pictures are revealing quite a few of the Hollywood players as dumb in more ways than one.

When President Coolidge was talking about that summer white house, he didn't, by any chance, happen to mention Missesippi, did he?

If you think that gold isn't very commonly used as a welding material, you ought to visit the divorce courts and observe the way it mends broken hearts.

A scientist says fish are color blind. He must have formed this judgment after studying the careful regard of a crowd of pedestrians for a traffic light.

A prehistoric skeleton has been found, its legs wrapped around its neck. Proving that the rumble seat is older than hitherto supposed.

SABINAL—L. Schwartz company will construct new dry goods store building here.

LAUDS MAIL PILOTS

By United Press.

WASHINGTON. — Nine army airmen who handled the presidential air mail between Chicago and Brule, Wis., last summer, have been complimented by Assistant Secretary of War F. Trubee Davison for their efficient work.

The presidential mail went by airplane 175 times during Mr. Coolidge's vacation, an aggregate of 73,500 miles, and although one-third of the flights were made in "extremely poor" weather, the mail was late only once and but three filghts were cancelled.

Major H. H. Arnold commanded the Presidential Air Mail Mission. His pilots were Lieuts. Charles T. Skow, Charles C. Coppin, Donald E. Broughton, Robert E. Pirtle, J. H. Atkinson, Lee F. Duncan, H. E. Rice and Lloyd C. Blackburn. In a letter to Arnold, Davison said the results of the Air Mail Mission were a credit to all concerned.

MULTUM IN PARVO

The shortest essay ever written on John Milton was the one turned in by a boy in the sixth grade English class. It read: "John Milton got married and write 'Paradise Lost,' and then his wife died and he wrote 'Paradise Regained.' "

MERGED BANK OPENS.

By United Press.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24—Consolidation of the Lockwood National bank and the Frost National bank was completed over the week end and today the merged institutions opened for business in the home of the Frost National bank under which name the merged banks will operate in the future. The merger gives San Antonio one of the largest financial institutions in Texas with resources totaling $22,000,000.

CARRIZO SPRINGS—Franchise to supply gas to this city granted to J. G. Pundt of Bexar county.

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AND HALF COFFEE
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Corner Pine and Rusk Ranger

OUR BEST WISHES

We welcome the season that gives us the pleasure of extending our best wishes to our many customers and friends.

MAY THE YULETIDE SEASON MAKE HAPPY THE CLOSING OF 1929

And may 1929 bring you unlimited portions of the things you most desire to the end that real happiness and prosperity may be yours.

WM. N. McDONALD
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Ranger, Texas

Many Thanks To You

that our Christmas is as merry as it is. We are grateful that you appreciate our efforts to make our business succeed on a strict basis of merit and courtesy. The liberality of your patronage naturally makes us feel better at this season.

And now in return we give you in all sincerity our hearty wishes for the merriest and best Christmas you ever had, followed by an equally prosperous and enjoyable New Year.

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CHRISTMAS FRIENDSHIP

We publicly announce to our friends our earnst thanks for their friendship and their part in or business success.

In appreciation we are sending a blanket mes sage of holiday good cheer which will increas with each day of the New Year.

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"Spud" Reynolds Ranger C. L. Childs

AS WE LINK OUR THOUGHTS WITH DAYS OF 1928

We Have a Feeling of Gratitude and Thanksgiving

We cannot refrain from giving public acknowledgement of the feeling of deep appreciation we hold for those who have had a part in making our business what it has been for the past year.

With eager eyes we look forward to the New Year with its rich promise and vast opportunities for service. We would lack in appreciation should we do anything less than our very best during 1929.

Accept our best wishes for the holidays with the hope that many wholesome pleasures will be yours and that the New Year will be generous in dealing out to you and yours a full measure of life's richest treasures in health, happiness and prosperity.

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Next Secretary?

The next secretary of agriculture may be Eugene D. Funk of Bloomington, Ill., if President-elect Hoover takes the advice of the state farmers institutes of Illinois and Iowa. These organizations have sent resolutions to the new president endorsing Funk for this position. Funk helped Hoover distribute food and supplies during the war. He has made a life study of corn improvement and grain diseases.

EL PASO.—Bids open for construction of temporary trestle for use during building of new Santa Fe street bridge.

NEW SYMPHONY MAY GIVE U. S. A NEW ANTHEM

Orchestra in Five Major Cities Rendered "America" on December 20.

By EARD H. LEIF
United Press Staff Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO.—America's long search for an appropriate national anthem may have reached a successful conclusion in the belief of music critics here.

Their attention was centered on the rendition in one night of Ernest Bloch's "America" by symphony orchestras in five major cities of the United States. The anthem comes as an apotheosis at the end of a symphony symbolizing the entire drama of the history of the country from the landing of the Pilgrims to the World War.

Although Bloch had the symphony in mind since he first came to the United States as a Jewish emigrant in 1916, the anthem was composed one Sunday afternoon at his home here in San Francisco. The symphony was written over a period of two years.

The score was submitted to "Musical America" in competition for a $3,000 prize offered for the best patriotic symphony composed by an American. A staff of eminent musicians adjudged "America" the finest of the 92 compositions offered.

An "Epic Rhapsody"

The verdict of the judges attracted considerable attention and several conductors read the score. They were so enthusiastic over the "epic rhapsody" that they interested other conductors in it and tonight it will be played simultaneously by symphony orchestras in Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, New York and San Francisco, Seattle, Los Angeles, Portland, Ore., Cincinnati, Syracuse, Omaha, Cleveland, Rochester and Minneapolis will also render it during the season.

Alfred Hertz, conductor of the San Francisco symphony orchestra, hailed it as one of the outstanding American musical achievements of the century.

"Ernest Bloch," said one prominent music critic, "is Jew by race, Switzer by birth, American by adoption, San Franciscoan by choice, composer by the grace of God and has written an anthem which, when some well graced poet raises the words to the level of the music, will probably sweep the land, finding its way into the hearts of all kinds and conditions of Americans by virtue of its beauty and sincerity."

Completely American.

For more than a century America has been embarrassed by lack of a suitable national anthem, the critics said. "My Country 'Tis of thee" has the same tune as Britain's national hymn and "The Star Spangled Banner," despite its origin, is difficult to sing and the music is almost identical with a popular English drinking song.

"America," however, will be as completely American as it is possible for anything to be. The symphony carries snatches of old and new war songs, Indian melodies, negro ditties, southern tunes and virtually every motif noted in the musical history of the United States, except jazz. A tremendous amount of research went into the composing of the symphony. Every mood of gaiety, struggle, sorrow, contentment and conflict is expressed in the music.

The anthem comes as a stirring climax to the musical poem depicting the conflict of North and South in the Civil War. "Dixie" sings the spirit of the south, "Glory, Glory, Hallilujah," of the North and "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching," of the movements of tired troops.

Trying to Avert War in South America

The saying that a few willful men around a table start the world's wars may be true sometimes, but this group is trying to end one. The pictures shows the committee of Inter-American Conciliation and Arbitration which met in extraordinary session in Washington to find a peaceful means of settling the Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute. Left to right, seated are: Manuel Foster, representing Chile; Gurgel do Amaral, Brazilian ambassador to the United States; Dr. Victor Maurtua, representing Peru; Charles Evans Hughes, former secretary of state, representing the United States; Dr. Orestes Ferrara, Cuban ambassador to the United States. Standing are: P. L. Boal, left, secretary to Mr. Hughes, and Benjamin Cohen, interpreter and secretary to the committee.

EL PASO.—Prospects good for establishment of $4,500,000 zinc plant here by United Mines company.

EL PASO.—El Paso Electric Co., will spend $500,000 for installation of boiler to take care of power demands of Nichols Copper Co. and Texas refinery plant.

JOHNSON CITY. — Frnachise may be granted by this city for installation of electric lights and power.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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—are everywhere becoming aware that Christmas is here again and that they will have to stand up under the usual burden of delicious viands which give the Yuletide its festive spirit. Ceilings and roof-trees are resounding again to peals of merry laughter that let them know their best echoes will be needed for another week.

Everybody and everything seems to be taking on the spirit of the season, and we are not one whit behind in wishing for everybody the jolliest Christmas of their lives.

C. C. Adv. Co.

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THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Now that Christmas is here again with its magic world of beautiful things designed especially to make happy, and since all the days and nights are filled with its spirit of good cheer, we are wishing for you the largest possible share in the very best enjoyments of the season.

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1928

HAPPY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

1929

And a New Year brimming over with 365 days of smiles, good cheer, good health, successful business and happy, contented loved ones!

BOURDEAU BROS.

Contractors & Builders
Ranger, Texas

A. F. OF L. LEADERS HAD LOWLY JOBS IN 1893

By United Press.

NEW ORLEANS. — Prominent officials in the American Federation of Labor were following these occupations 35 years ago, according to George L. Berry, president of the International Printing Pressmen's union:

John L. Manning, secretary of the union label trades' department was sewing in a New York sweat shop.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the A. F. of L., was setting type for a large Chicago newspaper.

Matthew Woll, vice president of the federation, president of the International Photo Engravers' union and the International Printing Trades association, was engraving line drawing cuts in a commercial print shop.

Frank Duffy, first vice president of the federation, was a carpenter building houses.

James Wilson, president of the International Pattern Makers' union(was a foundry worker.

aMrtin F. Ryan, treasurer of the federation and president of the Raiyway Carmen's union, was repairing freight cars.

John F. Frey, secretary of the Metal Trades Department of the federation, was a boy editor trying to prolong the life of the Iron Moulders' Journal, one of the first labor magazines.

William Green, president of the federation, was a miner.

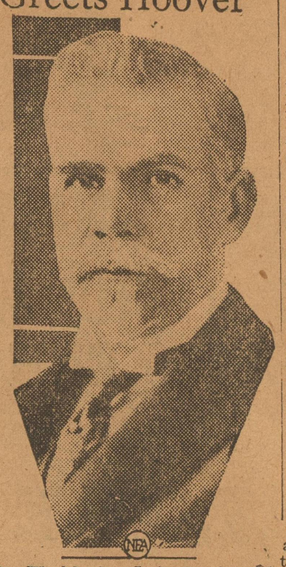
Andrew Furnseth, president of teh Seaman's union, deck-hand on a trans-Atlantic sailing boat.

Daniel Tobin, president International Brotherhood of Teamsters, former treasurer A. F. of L., was mule skinner for transfer company in Boston.

Peter Brady, president of the Federation Bank & Trust company, labor's $27,000,000 bank in New York city, was a photo-engraver.

George L. Berry was a pressman in a large Chicago newspaper plant.

Greets Hoover



Dr. Washington Luis Pereira de Souza, president of Brazil, took personal charge of arrangements for greeting President-elect Hoover and his good will missionaries in that country. Here is the latest picture of Brazil's president.

BAIRD.—Fire insurance rate lowered here as result of removal of telephone, telegraph and light poles from business section.

Port Arthur Took Nearly All Cash

Special to The Times.

ABILENE, Dec. 24.—The Abilene High School Eagles emerged from the state title contest with Port Arthur with the large end of a 38 to 0 score but with the small end of the gate receipts.

The attendance was only 6,000, nearly 1,00 below the total at the semi-final clash with Cleburne. After paying Port Arthur $6,000, $400 to the officials, 5 per cent to the interscholastic league and taking care of various expenses, the Eagles' treasury was enriched by the small sum of $515.

The s tate champions had $13,000 out at interest from last year's profits and took in about $11,500 net this year. The money will be used to construct a modern football stadium and athletic field.

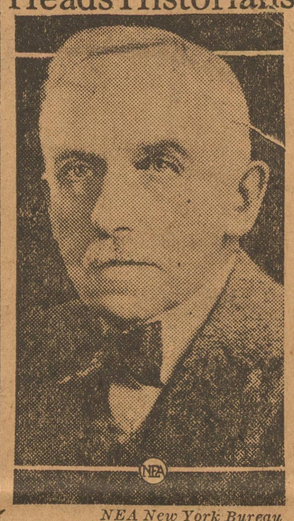
Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me an airplane and a little train and some books and my little sister wants a doll. Thomas Burton.

Dear Santa: I am a good girl all times and I want a doll trunk, some doll clothes a nd a doll and am 5 years old. And don't forget the poor children. Your friend, Dorris Collie. P. S.—I have a brother 10 years old and he wants some football things.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 9 years old. Will you please bring me a pair of gloves, jumping rope, a bubble pipe, some jacks, a ball, and also some fruit, candy and nuts. Do not forget my classmates. Please fill the orphan children's stockings too. That will be all. Your friend, Delvia Jay.

Heads Historians



NEA New York Bureau

Dr. James Harvey Robinson (above), of New York, recently named to succeed Prof. James E. Breasted of University of Chicago, as president of the American Historial Association, will direct a nation-wide drive for $1,000,000 to promote historical research. Myth and misunderstanding, he says, are barriers to progress.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FROM PALESTINE

An Armenian orphan ward in a Near East training school in Jerusalem under the supervision of E. W. Blatchford, of Chicago, a relief worker, engaged in the manufacture of ancient Kutahia pottery destined for a Christmas gift in far off America.

A WHITE CREPE DE CHINE slipper trimmed with bands of silver kid and embroidered with rhinestones has an interesting openwork treatment at the front of the quarter.

JOHNSON CITY.—Oil recently struck in Miller creek well on Glasscock ranch.

IF WE COULD SEE YOU TODAY

We'd take you by the hand and in a way make you understand we'd tell you how much we wish for you—how much we thank you. But since this is not possible we send you this message of good wishes for Christmas and the coming year to let you know we DO appreciate your favors.

Post Office Confectionery

AS THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ENVELOPES THE EARTH

we shall not try to escape its influence but instead join in the great spirit running high everywhere. May this fine spirit abide with you not only at Christmas but each day of nineteen hundred and twenty-five as well, bringing an abundance of wealth and happiness.

We take advantage of this opportunity to thank those who favored us with patronage during 1928.

RUTHERFORD MOTOR CO

Just a Friendly Word to Say We Wish You

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Not only do we wish you this but we wish you many days of happiness and health and contentment for other days.

We are not unmindful of the fact that we owe much to the people who have patronized our business during the past year. And while we have endeavored from day to day to show this appreciation, we gladly embrace this opportunity to thank you again and assure you that we will continue to strive hard to merit your confidence and patronage.

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OUR THOUGHTS

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—What
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—Wishin'
—For You!

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To the manger cradled Savior of Bethlehem,
May His deep peace enfold you, and in your heart's depths stay
To cheer you and bless you
Throughout the Christmas Day.

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BOTH BLUFFING

Neither Sambo nor Rastus could read the time of day or anything else—but Sambo had a nice big Ingersoll which he exhibited with a great air of superiority.

"What time am it?" said Rastus.

Sambo hesitated and then extended the timepiece, saying, "Dar she am."

Rastus looked at it carefully and said, "D— if she ain't."

JOHNSON CITY. — Construction of Airline Highway through Blanco county to Burnet county line will cost approximateyl $159,-681.

A CLEAN JOKE

There has been so much agitation recently about off-color jokes that we announce with extreme pleasure the arrival of an absolutely clean joke, as witness.

He: "You are a little Fairy. May I hold your Palmolive?"

She: "Not on your Lifebuoy. Your head's solid Ivory."

He: "This is where I get the Colgate."

She: "I Woodbury that joke if I were you."

TULIA — Eight members of cow testing association making extensive improvements and building new dairy barns for herds.

LEGION TC AID POLICE.

READING, Pa.—A movement has been started by the General Gregg post of the American Legion here to give the state police a volunteer auxiliary of world war veterans for use in case of emergency. Legionnaires at various places will be subject to call.

WASTE PAPER IS SOLD.

LOS ANGELES.—Members of Post No. 206, the American Legion, recently raised $4,000 through the collection and sale of waste paper. This money will go into a fund that is being raised to build a new post home.

BACK NATIONAL DEFENSE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—An educational campaign to inform the people of the nation on the needs of an adequate national defense, will be conducted by the American Legion during the coming year, it has been an nounced at the legion national headquarters here. All of the 10,000 posts of the legion will be asked to form national defense committees.

1—LOST AND FOUND

WILL the party who picked up small black leather purse in Woolworth's Thursday afternoon return to Woolworth office or Mrs. Pearson, 1014 Pershing street, for liberal reward.

LOST—Grey Persian kitten close to Spring road. Phone 129-J or P. L. Babb at the Globe. Reward.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES

WILL exchange complete $250 flying course for a good used, closed car. See Cavender at Ranger Airport.

FURNITURE bought, sold, exchanged. 517 N. Marston.

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FOR RENT—Nice 4-room house, just newly finished. Call Ussery, care Chestnut & Smith Corporation. Phone 482.

HOUSE for rent; apply 600 North Commerce st.

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13—FOR SALE—Miscellaneous

TWO chairs, upholstered in tapestry. The value of each chair $125. Will sell for $75 for one chair. Call phone 436.

GAS Heaters, 75c to $4.00. 517 N. Marston.

22—POULTRY & PET STOCK

FOR SALE—Several registered Jersey bulls. Some old enough for service. G. & H. Dairy.

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1927 Model Chrysler 70 Coupe, with rumble seat.
1926 Model Oldsmobile Coach.
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1925 Model Buick (Bill Sneed car.)

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NEA New York Bureau

The notes that emanate from a cello are more pleasing to Gerald Felix Warburg than the notes that emanate from a banking house. Choosing music in preference to banking for his career, young Warburg—son of Felix M. Warburg, international banker and philanthropist—has decided to become a cello soloist with the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, directed by Walter Damrosch.

MONUMENT IS DEDICATED.

SARASOTA, Fla.—The new monument at Five Points, in the heart of the business section, a memorial to those who have lost their lives in defense of the nation, was recently dedicated by the American Legion.

AIRPORT IS PLANNED.

WORTHINGTON, Minn. — A movement has been started by the local post of the American Legion here to acquire property for a municipal airport. The legion will be aided by other organizations.

O'DONNELL — Modern sewer system planned for this place.

JUST RED AND GREEN

By United Press.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—All arguments and misunderstandings over the meaning of the amber light in traffic signals has been abolished here. Police have eliminated the amber light altogether claiming they can reduce accidents by so doing.

TIME FOR SENTIMENT

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We do not conduct our business for sentimental reasons nor solicit patronage on any other than the soundest business principals. We believe that in commercial transactions customers prefer honest values, courtesy and promptness, and like to trade where their business is appreciated. Therefore do we model our policy along these lines.

But these things rather add to our enjoyment of the beautiful sentiment which permeates the Christmas holidays, for this is a time for sentiment, the tenderest the human heart knows.

All joy to you and yours at Christmastide.

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1928

We thank you for your favors of the past.

We solicit your patronage in the future.

We wish you joy now and forever more.

The Fair Store
Main Street

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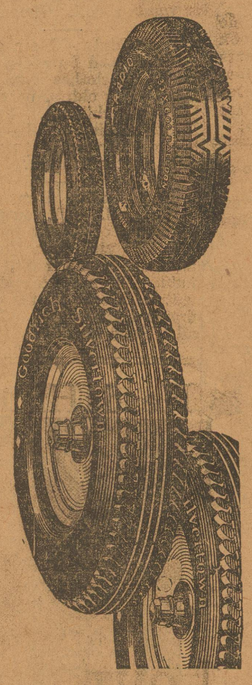
WHEN ALL THE WORLD RESOUNDS WITH THE SPIRIT OF LOVE



It's the time when you and I forget ourselves and think of the other fellow—the time when firesides glow throughout the world in the spirit of Love, Sacrifice and Appreciation.

We would have all our friends and patrons everywhere to know that we wish them a Christmas filled and running over with the good things of life, including good health, abounding happiness and abiding prosperity.

THOMAS TIRE COMPANY
Distributors of Goodrich Tires and Tubes
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
Ranger

Christmas

THE GREAT LOVE-LINK OF THE WORL-D

The time when all the world is joined in one heartbeat, in one thought, in one purpose, to spread joy and gladness all about us!

That's what we want to do for those who have seen fit to use our goods and our services during the past—and we would include those many friends and acquaintances who have shown us many kindnesses.

May we continue to be of worthy service to each of you—and may your future years be filled with the choicest of your heart's desire in health, happiness and prosperity.

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How could we forget YOU, you who have been so good to us through these many years, you who have had complete confidence in us and who have served us as patrons as well as we have served you as providers of good values and reliable service in our line.

We thank you and wish for all of YOU and all of YOURS the best Christmas and the happiest New Year of your lives.

OIL CITY PHARMACY
E. E. Crawford, Prop. Ranger

RANGER TIMES

RANGER, TEXAS, TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1928

France, Perhaps Envious of Chicago, Sets Amazing Total of Gory Murders

By RICHARD D. McMILLAN
United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS.—More than ever before, garroters and gun men, highjackers and hold-up men now feature in the daily life of France spreading a trail sufficiently gory to make Chicago sit up and take notice. Three murder victims a day is a newspaper estimate of the gunman's "score" during the past few months.

The "crime passionnel" is and always has been a prominent feature of French crime statistics. Signifying to the Frenchman, however, little more than a bootlegging case in the States, these dramas, some of them charged with sufficient emotion, action and horror to make Grand Guignol stage stuff pale by comparison, pass through the courts with little publicity, the benefit usually being given to the murderer by an "understanding" jury—a jury that is, which appreciates how mad a Frenchman can become when thwarted or slighted in affairs of the heart.

Now to these "domestic feuds" has been added the hell-fire action of the bandit big and little, providing enough thrills to make the lover of Edgar Allen Poe and Gaston Leroux put aside his books and pay attention to reality.

The Caen Taxi-Cab.

This new phase in French crime may be dated from the novel-like affair of the taxi-cab of Caen enacted in all its gripping mystery in the quietness of rural Brittany. Two taxi drivers who successively owned the same cab—XY 2035—were put to death on a country road near Caen while driving the fatal cab. The murders occurred at almost exactly the same spot, yet the author of the first assassination, a youth of 20, had already paid with his head by the time the second crime was committed.

A passenger in the cab on the second fatal trip was missed and searched for far and wide until his dead body was recovered from a nearby stream.

Whether the lurid details of this baffling affair, outdoing the imaginations of fiction writers, inflamed the thoughts of potential bandits cannot be ascertained, but the fact is that a wave of killing swept France and continues at the present time, the latest instance being a hold-up of a bank messenger at Marseilles carried out by a gang who, the police say, imitated the notorious Bonnot gang of terrible memories. In view of groups of business men outside the Borse, the Marseilles bandits shot down the messenger and removed his satchel, crammed full of bills, then made their escape in several autos.

Many Murder Trials.

Not many weeks before, a repetition of the infamous siege of Sydney Street in London was staged in Paris by a solitary bandit who held up squads of police who kept him at bay in a house until a well-directed bullet found his brain. Sensational cases like this occupy the front pages every week or so, but tucked away in the back pages one may read daily of murder trials mainly featuring youths who have spilled blood either for bravado or gain.

With nearly a million and a half foreigners in the country, many of them political and other refugees, a rise in crime statistics might be expected, but while many of the political crimes, such as the recent shooting to death of the Italian priest Cesare of Caravadossi near Nancy, are the work of foreigners, the great majority of the more common type of assassinations are laid to Frenchmen.

Freakish crimes, too, are becoming much more numerous. A few weeks ago, the son of an old and titled French family drowned his baby son in a canal, fruit of a liaison with the family servant, in order that there should be no encumbrances to his marriage to a pretty heiress. The closing scene has just been played at Rennes, also, on a crime story which thrilled all France—the murder by a family of three, mother, father and son, of the ne'er-do-well youth whom the daughter of the house had married. The mother, Mme. Clavier, went to prison for life, the father for twenty years and the son for fifteen. The son had fired the fatal shot, but the mother had planned the crime.

As for the aforementioned love crimes, a Paris newspaper, Le Soir, has taken the trouble to make a computation of the killings in France actuated because of jealousy or unrequited love or outraged feelings. He puts the total at thirty-eight—thirty-eight asassinations—for the first fortnight of August alone!

French people are naturally wondering how they can check this apalling flow of blood, apparently forgetting that death-dealing guns can be bought almost anywhere in France as easily as one buys a handkerchief—and that's just the way hot-headed Frenchmen buy them.

Lindbergh and Wright Meet

Colonel Charles Lindbergh and Orville Wright—men whose names rank high in the history of aviation—met in Washington during the observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Wright brothers' first successful flight. Lindbergh is shown here just after receiving the Harmon trophy for having done most to advance aviation during the year, with Orville Wright at the right.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. King of Jasper, Tex., are spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. King's mother, Mrs. W. T. J. Bishop. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Stack of Dallas are also guests of the Bishop home.

Miss Nell Evans is visiting her mother and sister in Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. E. V. Reynolds has for her guests during the holidays, Miss Juanita Holland, granddaughter, who is attending Baylor College at Belton, and daughters, Mrs. Altah Holland of Oklahoma City and Miss Francis Reynolds of Fort Smith, Ark.

Ivo Navokovich of Amarillo will spend the holidays with his mother and sister.

Miss Marie Faubian left Sunday for an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Jo Barker of Big Spring.

G. B. Whittle will spend Christmas with his mother in Point, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas E. Moore left this morning to spend Christmas with relatives at Cleburne.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Cooper are spending Christmas at Woodson, Texas.

Christmas Dawn Carries the Message of Love and Hope Around the World

We express the sincere wish that you will receive a double portion of all the joys the season affords.

To this we would add the hope that a full measure of the good things of life will come to you and yours in 1929.

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In Happy Accord

with the Yuletide spirit we are hoping that your heart will be warmed by many cheerful greetings from friends, that your home will be lighted with the smiles of loved ones and made musical by happy laughter and merry shouts.

May 1929 be the year in which you will accomplish your most cherished dreams and ambitions.

Accept our thanks for 1928 patronage and grant us, if you please, the pleasure of serving you in 1929.

Paramount PHARMACY

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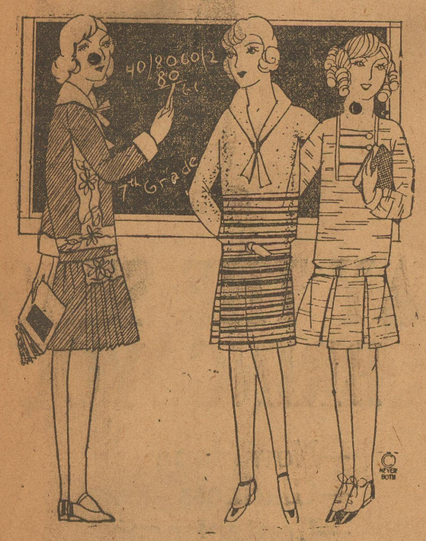

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CHRISTMAS IS A JOYOUS HOLIDAY

It was in olden times called a holy day. It is no less holy now than it was at that time. The memories that cluster about it are a sacred part of our lives. The light which shines in the faces of friends and glows in the eyes of little children is a light from heaven. While the warmth of fellowship and goodwill which pulsates in good hearts is nothing less than divine.

Christmas is a good day and we hope that it will be to you in every way a happy and auspicious occasion.

J. C. SMITH

"The Popular Price Store"

The Glowing Firelights

at the Christmas hearths will soon be lighting up the many circles of happy faces, bright also with the spirit of the glad season which is upon us.

It is our sincere hope that our many friends are finding their places in these choicest of all earthly gatherings—these chosen companies of true friends.

The year has been a satisfactory one to us in a business way; you, our friends, have made it so; and now we take much pleasure in wishing for you all the finest fruits of friendship and good fellowship that the season can bring.

And may the New Year bring to you an ever-increasing meed of joy.

RANGER SHOE CO.

Quality Service Popular Prices

Washington Letter

BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer
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EN ROUTE WITH HOOVER IN LATIN AMERICA — Herbert Hoover has been making his way through the Spanish-speaking Americas as the high priest of his nation's new policy of economic rapprochement in this hemisphere.

Chosen to guide the United States through its next four years of industrial and business expansion, he has sought first to sow the seeds of permanent friendship in that field which offers the nearest opportunity for American manufactures and American capital.

He has functioned as an advance agent, a contact man or as a visiting overseer of our vast investment and trade interests below the Rio Grande—whichever one cares to call it.

A Go-Between

Not the least part of his task is that of fixer. He has undertaken to show these countries that the United States harbors no wicked designs against them, and his attempts were well timed. Our pre-Morrow policy toward Mexico and Nicaragua advanced our interests in this hemisphere in no respect whatever. Hoover appears to have realized that, and Coolidge as well.

So that, in referring to Hoover as the high priest of our new economic policy, one does not picture Hoover as traveling with a concealed club. He is not dissatisfied with the political or military situation in Latin America. But he is profoundly concerned with America's future prosperity and expansion. In the recent campaign he avowedly assumed that burden.

Trade, he made clear in a preliminary informal conference with correspondents, was not based on sentiment. In his opinion, the three essential factors for happy commercial relations between nations are

Contact.

Understanding.

Esteem.

Insofar as he is able, Hoover is acting en tour with these factors in mind. Freer intercourse between the leaders and peoples of western nations, better communications between nations and wider interchange of news, views and culture, and reassurance as to the amicable motives of all concerned are some of the ways in which they will be more completely attained.

What Industry Faces

The future is inscrutable, but it is as certain as anything can be that the 20 Latin-American republics are bound to play an increasingly important part in our domestic industrial welfare.

The Department of Commerce, under Hoover, has repeatedly warned that American industry faced the stiffest competition it ever had from Europe; that desperate efforts would be made to retrieve economic domination. International cartels, sometimes financed by European governments, have been organized to fight us on all fronts—South America, the Far East, Europe and even in our home market.

Germany, in some Spanish-speaking countries, already has regained all the trade she lost during the war. Britain is a hot competitor. The fight is distinctly on.

Meanwhile, it is highly significant that Europe is becoming more and more industrially self-sufficient again.

The United Kingdom, our biggest export market, bought $133,000,000 less from us—or 14 per cent—in the fiscal year 1926-27 than in the year previous.

French and Italian imports from the United States showed cuts of 13 and 16 per cent respectively. Germany bought $117,000,000—32 per cent—more from us in 1926-27, but that was a fortuitous circumstance.

Europe has always taken a larger share of American exports than any other continent, but that share has been less than 50 per cent for the last two or three years. European imports from America have dropped from 72 per cent of our total exports at the beginning of the century to 47 per cent in 1927.

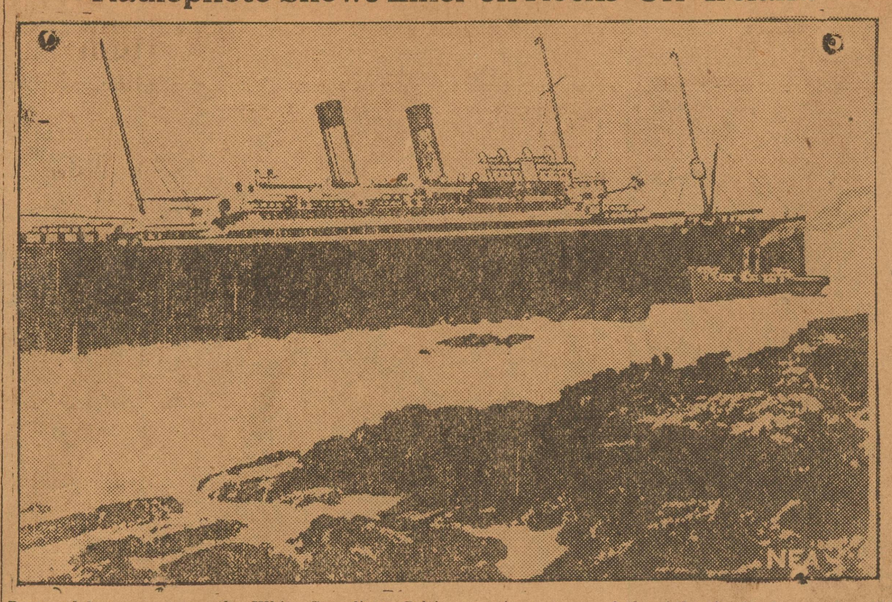
Our imports from Europe have decreased similarly, from 50 per cent to 30 per cent. Meanwhile, South America receives less than 10 per cent of our exports and provides 12 per cent of our imports.

The latest figures, those for 1927, showed that we provided 39 per cent of the imports of the 20 Latin-American republics, compared with 31 per cent for Britain, Germany and France combined. Our total commerce with Latin-America amounts to about $2,000,000,000 a year.

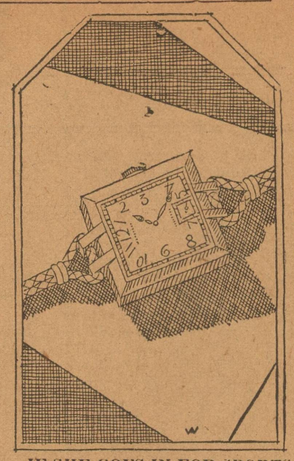
Our investments in Latin America are estimated at something short of $5,000,000,000.

It should not be supposed that Hoover's hope is to drive other nations out of Latin-American markets or that it is to our interest to do so. Hoover realizes that it is important to us that Europe also be prosperous; otherwise we will suffer as her buying power decreased. Nevertheless, it is a matter of great moment that we maintain our commercial position in this hemisphere and that we build up the contact, understanding and esteem which Hoover considers so important.

Radiophoto Shows Liner on Rocks Off Ireland



Battered by angry seas, the White Star liner Celtic, one-time queen of the Atlantic, is shown in this NEA radiophoto as she lay upon a ledge of rocks off the mouth of Cork Harbor at Cobb, Ireland. At the right, under the bow of the liner, is one of the tugs which made many unsuccessful attempts to float the crippled liner before she could be pounded by the waves into a hopeless wreck. Five hundred passengers and members of the crew were taken off in safety after the vessl had fought a losing battle with an early morning gale. Among those rescued from the Celtic were 30 survivors of the Vestris disaster.



IF SHE GOES IN FOR SPORTS —and what modern woman does not? — then Christmas problem might be solved by looking over the new modernistic sports models in wrist watches. This one is of silver with braided brown leather cords.

Society and Club News

Office Phone 224

EVENTFUL DAY AT METHODIST CHURCH.

Christmas Sunday was indeed a happy day at the First Methodist church. Every service of the day was largely attended. The morning and evening services had the largest attendance of the month of December. The pastor brought a message at the morning hour on "When the Angels Were Gone." The Cantata at the evening hour was well received by the large audience which filled the auditorium. Many out-of-town people were in the audience. Although a number of members of the choir were out on account of illness, the cantata was considered as the prettiest ever rendered in the church. A full house enjoyed the "Manger and the Star."

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TO HAVE STUDENTS' NIGHT AT METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. P. T. Stanford announced that next Sunday night will be students' night at the church. Every student who is home from college, and all high school and college students at Ranger, are invited to hear this service. A wonderful program is being arranged for that hour. Also the Young People of the church are planning a banquet for New Year's eve night. It wil lbe a program of fun, food and fellowship. All committees will be announced later. A speaker of unusual note will be secured. Those who are arranging the program say that it will be a fun program, second to none. The banquet will be served from 7:30 to 9:30, thereby giving the young peopel an opportunity to go elsewhere afterward, if they so desire.

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TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB.

Mrs. C. E. Stewart will entertain the Twentieth Century club at Acorn Acres, Friday afternoon at 2:30.

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HOSTESS TO EUTERPEAN CLUB.

Miss Gillian Buchanan entertained the Euterpean club at her home on Pine street Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock with a Christmas party and music formed the entertainment throughout the afternoon, then followed the presentation of the gifts from the tree. Refreshments were served to the club, which is compised of the piano and violin pupils of the high school.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Lucile Buchanan who is attending State University at Austin came in Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. C. G. Buchanan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cammie Williams and Mrs. Cheatham and son of Corpus Christi are guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Craig. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Cheatham are sisters of Dr. Craig.

Mrs. K. C. Jones has as her guest ,her sister, Miss Lucille Keith of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Charles Alworth and children Elnora Rex, Dick and Clyde who are living in Norman, Okla., during the school term, have returned home to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Flynt Little and children of Houston, Texas, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Alworth.

Carl Pratt left Sunday for New Orleans and Jackson, Miss., where he will spend the holidays.

Elva Louise Richardson, who is a student of East Texas State Teachers' college, Commerce, Tex., arrived home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays. She will return to school Sunday.

Chiang Kai-shek, president of China, promises that if he doesn't abrogate some of China's unequal treaties within three years they may cut off his head. But he probably thinks there isn't a Chinaman's chance of that.

Just to Wish You
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
RANGER TIRE SHOP

WE WISH

You all the happiness your heart desires for Christmas and a New Year that will bring you peace of mind, wealth of purse, health of body and general contentment in every way.

BALTIMORE BARGAIN STORE
209 Main Street

MAY THE SPIRIT OF
CHRISTMAS
Descend upon you and yours for a year full of bountiful blessings such as only that Spirit can give—is our wish for you in 1929.

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OUR PRIVILEGE
To lend a helpful hand to all progressive enterprises and movements in this community throughout the balance of the year, so is it
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now that the happy Yuletide has rolled around, to wish for you, your kindred and friends a most happy holiday season.
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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to One and All.
RANGER STUDIO
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—Prosperity
—Ambition
—Friends
—Good Cheer
—Smiles
—Love
—Opportunity

AND MAY YOU HAVE THE CAPACITY TO ENJOY EACH OF THESE AND OTHER BLESSINGS

CHESTNUT & SMITH
Corporation

Six Suits of Great Economic Importance to Come Before Supreme Court Next Year

By HERBERT LITTLE
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Six lawsuits ofeconomic importance to most of the nation will be heard by the U. S. Supreme Court in the first three months of the new year.

The O'Fallon railroad valuation cases, which involves millions of dollars in transportation revenues, have been set for argument starting January 2, when the court returns from its Christmas recess.

The Lake Cargo coal rate cases, which are likely to decide which of two great coal-producing regions of the nation will be prosperous, have been set for February 18.

An appeal by the railroads from an interstate commerce commission order cutting freight rates on California's huge wine-grape crop to eastern points is scheduled for hearing February 25. The right of a privately-owned corporation to boycott farm cooperatives will come before the court March 5 in a case from Oklahoma City, in which lower court upheld the right of dealers to refuse to transact business with the farmer's organization. The government is appealing this case, which is of great importance to the administration of the Packers and Stockyards' Act.

On March 11 the court will hear arguments in a government appeal of the California Co-Operative Canneries case, in which District of Columbia courts ruled that this organization could intervene in the litigation resulting from the famous "Big Five" packers consent decree. The government sought to prevent such intervention, claiming that if this were allowed, third parties at will could block the operation of the many anti-trust law consent decree cases.

Another Packing Case.

Another packing company case, appealed by the Cudahy company, is to be argued January 7. This appeal attacks legality of a Washington state law taxing foreign corporations on their entire authorized capital stock, regardless of how much has been issued and how much of the company's operations are within the state of Washington. Federal courts in Washington upheld the state law.

The railroad valuation question has been brought before the supreme court twice in the last two years, but in both cases the railroads lost on technicalities, the court not ruling on the merits, because the valuations set by the interstate comerce commission had not actually been put into effect.

In the present cases, involving the O'Fallon road, a rich short-line near St. Louis in Illinois, the commission's valuations actually have been put in effect. The valuations have been used to determine that one-half of the road's excess profits—over six percent—must be turned over to the government to pay losses sustained by unprofitable short-line roads, as required by the 1920 Transportation Act. If the valuations contended for by the railroads, based on present cost of reproduction new, were accepted, the excess profits would be greatly diminished.

The difference between the railroad's theory of valuation and the commission's theory, which is based on original cost plus additions and betterments, amounts to $10,000,000,000, according to some. On such a hypothetical figure, the railroads' charges to shippers might be increased by $600,000,000 a year if 'reproduction new" valuations were placed in effect all over the country.

Lake Cargo Cases.

This question is of tremendous importance to all public utility rate controversies, of which every city has one or more, because the same question of basis of valuation is brought up in each.

The Lake Cargo cases involve a longstanding commercial feud between the Pennsylvania-Ohio and southern coal fields for the tremendously rich market for coal shipped by steamer to the entire Great Lake Region—in which some 50,000,000 persons live. The railroads serving the fields in southern West Virginia, western Virginia, eastern Tennessee and eastern Kentucky, which include the Chesapeake and Ohio, Norfolk and Western, Louisville and Nashville, and others, formerly enjoyed a 20-cent a ton advantage in rail rates to the lake points where the coal was put on ships. Nearly two years ago the interstate commerce commission issued an order giving the railroads serving the northern fields a 20-cent advantage. These roads include the Baltimore and Ohio and several other large lines. This order was based on economic conditions which would prevail if the Pennsylvania fields lost their market—and the right of the commission to make rates on this basis, instead of cost of producing—will be a principal feature in these suits.

Southern railroads cut their prices 20 cents a ton, restoring the southern fields' advantages in rates, but the commission forbade them to put the new rates in effect. Then the southern coal companies went into the federal courts and obtained an injunction to prevent the commission from interfering with the differential which favored the south. This court held the commission's order exceeded its powers.

The injunction was appealed in four separate cases by the government and the commission, the northern railroads, the north coal companies, and the Pittsburgh Coal Operators Lake Rate committee. The Anchor Coal company and 520 other companies are named as the other side of each suit, and the southern roads probably will support them.

Tip-Top Tapper

Yes, Claire Stenz, society deb, is on the stage now. She's a member of the Junior Aid League of the Lenox Hill Hospital, New York and will be in a show which the league is going to produce. Her part is to do a tap dance. And from the looks of things, she ought to be a tip-top tapper.

Plans for three and possible four more stories being added to the Graham hotel at Pecos by the first of the year are being completed. Ball room, room garden, banquet hall, club rooms and one hundred and twenty-six guest rooms have been planned.

Heads Huge New Stores Chain

The Hahn Department Stores, Inc. which has been in process of formation for several months, announces the acquisition of 22 big department store companies. Capitalization of the company is more than $60,000,000. Lew Hahn above, former managing director of the National Dry Goods association, is president of the new company.

MASONS FIRST TO CONDEMN WILKES BOOTH

Little Rock, Ark., —The Masons of this city were the first to call a meeting and emphasize their condemnation and sorrow for the tragic death of John Wilkes Booth, according to Stoddard's The Life of Abraham Lincoln. This work states:

"The intelligent people of the Southern States felt that their 'Stage Mad Avenger' had inflicted upon them a fresh disaster and they both publicly and privately expressed their anger and regret.

"Their feeling is well illustrated by the action of the Masonic Fraternity of Arkansas, locally known as the "Reb Masons.'

SWEATERS GIVEN PANTHER CREW

Nineteen Gorman Players Receive Awards. Eleven Letter Men Returning.

GORMAN, Texas, Dec. 22.—Sweaters have been awarded to nineteen members of this year's Gorman high school football team. The new sweaters are orange with grey raised letter and service stripes on the left arm.

Of the nineteen winning awards all but four have signified their intention of remaining in the team for at least another year. Jones, Scott, Hudson and Leazer very likely will not be with the team next year, three of them having played their time and the other having an opportunity to go to college.

Among those who are counted on for the team aside from the letter men are: Mehaffey, Stephens, Koonce, and A. C. Williams.

Those awarded sweaters were: Scott, Pittman, Mason, Coker, Perry, Jones, Bennett, Hudson, Gant, Jusy, Leazer, Jimmie, Morris, Rodgers, Pangle, Chambless, Creager and Ewing.

LONDON. — Outboard motor boat racing has increased in popularity to such an extent that a syndicate had purchased a lake near London for the sole purpose of exploiting the sport.

Stands are to be erected capable of seating 5,000 persons on the edge of the Bury Farm Lake at Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire where regular races will be held during the boating season. The syndicate are also planning to build a marine garage, a boat slip way, refreshment rooms and a motor road connecting the lake with the main road.

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CATTLE INDUSTRY HAS MANY CHANGES

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 21 — May changes have been experienced in the cattle industry in Texas during the last two decades, according to George M. Lewis, live stock specialist in the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas, who has just completed a survey of the live stock industry of the State.

"Among the most noticeable of these changes are: An improvement in the quality of breeding herds, a reduction in the size of ranches and herds, many new marketing problems, material increases in production and marketing costs and frequent shift in market outlets," Mr. Lewis explained.

"Texas is primarily an agricultural State and the bulk of its income is derived from agricultural purpsuits. The gross income received from the sale of all agricultural commodities produced in this State ordinarily exceeds one billion dollars annually. The live stock industry, which is second only to that of cotton in the economic life of the State, contributes a large share of this enormous income, and the cattle business is the most important revenue producing unit of this industry. According to the estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture the value of all Texas crops in 1927 was $730,000,000, while the valve of all Texas live stock on January 1, 1928, was $598,000,000. Cattle values alone exceeded $225,000,000. Income from the sale of cattle during 1927 amounted to more than $76,000,000.

"Furthermore, Texas is the leading cattle producing State in the Union. There are within its borders 5,607,000 head, or approximately 11 per cent of the nation's cattle. Moreover, it is an important surplus beef producing area. More than one million head are slaughtered within the State annually, and more than one million head are shipped out, the bulk of which are slaughtered and distributed to the beef deficient sections of the country within twelve months. The cattle industry of Texas, therefore, exerts a far-reaching influence upon the economic welfare not only of Texas but also of a large number of other states.

"Even with the strong position which the above figures suggest this is one of the most poorly organized industries in the country. It is composed of a large number of individual producers who have little or no knowledge of the relation between the available supply and the probable demand for beef. Neither do they have effective methods by which the proper balance between these two factors can be maintained."

Possibly the greatest improvement made in the cattle industry so far has been on the producing, according to Mr. Lewis. The results are shown by the better grades and quality of cattle found in the producing areas of Texas at the present time. The practice of removing the inferior and undesirable sows and heifers from the foundation stock and of heading the herds with high grade or registered bulls is not uncommon in many sections of the State. Much progress has resulted from the research and educational work carried on by the experiment stations and extension departments of the agricultural colleges and other agecies.

The rapid expansion of farming operations which has been going on in several of the important live stock producing sections of Texas has reduced the size of both the ranches and the herds, Mr. Lewis pointed out. This development has brought about changes in the marketing system. It has reduced the size of operations so that there are now many small operators whose marketing problems are different from those of the large producers. Their chief marketing difficulty, therefore, is to get their few head to a market center instead of being forced to sell to some local buyer who cannot afford to pay the full market price. Producers in some states have overcome this situation through the organization and operation of cooperative shipping associations. So far, however, this type of shipping organization has met with very little success in Texas, primarily because the size of the unit operations is still large and because not enough of the producers have fully appreciated the advantages of cooperative shipping.

Furthermore, there has been a decided shift in the marketing age of cattle. The former plan of marketing steers when they were three, four or more years old has been superseded largely by the practice of selling them as calves and as one, two and three year old steers. This plan of earlier marketing is beneficial to producers in that it creates a more rapid turnover of capital and of numbers; it shortens the period through which risks of loss and carrving charges must be borne; and it enables producers to give more attention to the building up and maintenance of the quality of their breeding herds.

"The present system of marketing cattle posseses many peculiarities and difficulties some of which are subject to little or no systematic control," Mr. Lewis said, "Obviously, the seasonal and other uncontrollable factors affect the price, since the animals, when slaughtered, must be punished into consumptive channels because beef carcasses cannot be stored except for a brief period. Often a surplus can be moved only by a reduction in the price to the consumer. This reduction, naturally, will be anticipated by the cattle buyers and they will act accordingly.

"There are some factors influencing the fluctuation of prices which might be controlled if the cattle industry were better organized. But, without a strong working organization, an efficient and orderly system of live stock marketing cannot be developed or maintained.

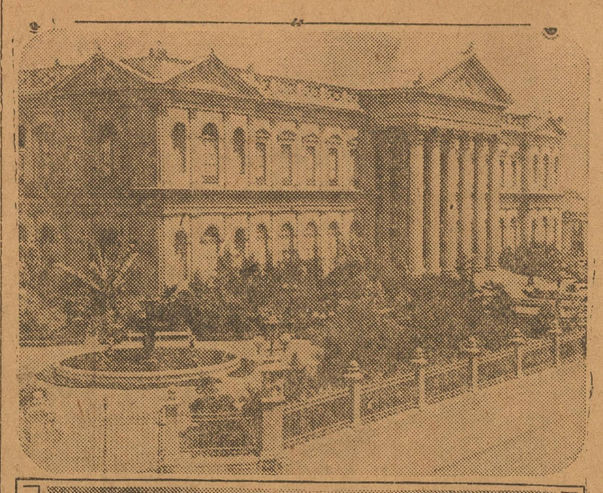
"The crux of the situation is the adjustment of production and flow-to-market control over the daily, the seasonal and the cyclical movement of cattle to the market centers. No systematic method has been devised whereby a proper balance between these factors may be maintained."

One of the greatest limiting factors in working on the marketing problem of the cattle industry in the past has been the lack of information on the character of movements of cattle to the different market outlets, Mr. Lewis declared . During the last few years however, the United States Department of Agriculture has been collecting every available type of information of assistance in checking up on the number and disposition o feach class of live stock.

One of the most useful kinds of data that have been gathered by the Department is a record of the number of head of each class of live stock forwarded and received by months for each ilve stock shipping station in Texas, he said. The report shows the number of steers, cows and bulls, heifers, calves, hogs, sheep, goats, horses and mules, and the amount of wool and mohair by points of origin in Texas and destinations by states. This detailed record was started first in 1923 and is probably the most complete census of live stock shipments that has ever been compiled. Because of the limited amount of funds and the pressure of other duties, however, the staff of the Department, headed in Texas by H. H. Schultz, has been unable to publish an analysis of these movements. These statistics supplemented by infcrmation from producers in Texas on methods of marketing and from feeders in the Corn Belt and other feeding regions on methods of securing cattle, have comprised the basis for Mr. Lewis's study.

HAPY—Paving project here progressing satisfactorily.

Where Hoover Promotes Trade



Scenes like these are being viewed by President-elect Hoover and his party on the good will tour of Latin America. Above is the National Congress buildnig at Santiago, Chili. Below are llamas, beasts of burden in Peru for ages, that may be replaced by motor trucks and railroads as American exports expand in that direction.

Efforts Made To Locate Relatives of C. G. Mallinquest

Judge Ed Pritchard received a telegram Saturday afternoon from G. H. Sandifer, superintendent of the Insane Hospital, Austin, requesting him to located relatives of C. G. Mallinquest, inmate.

According to the telegram, the man is seriously ill and efforts are being made to locate friends or relatives.

He was admitted to the institution in 1891 from Houston county.

In riots among striking workers on banana plantations, 238 people were hurt in Colombia the other day. Looks as though Hoover did'nt go to the wrong place at all as good-will ambassador.

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We shall enter the New Year with renewed vigor and aggressiveness, more determined than ever to merit your patronage. We expect to work with you in the spirit of co-operation, not only to the end that our business dealings may be pleasant but that our city and community may be made greater, more prosperous and attractive.

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by RUTH DEWEY GROVES

AUTHOR of "WHEN A GIRL LOVES" "LOVE FOR TWO" etc

THIS HAS HAPPENED

Fate introduces Jerry Ray, a shop girl to Alester Carstairs when he crashes his airplane into the camp she is sharing with her room mate, Myrtle. She likes his pilot Dan Harvey, but Alester is struck by her beauty and shows her attention.

Unable to buy a gown for a party he has invited her to, Jerry yields to the temptation to slip one from the store for the evening. When they taunt her for being "dry" at the party, Jerry drinks too much. A rowdy dancing partner throws her into the pool to revive her.

Dan appears to help her, but Alester takes her home. She is discharged from the store when she confesses about the dress. Jerry seeks another job, and is surprised one evening when Dan calls. He proposes and she tells him she does not believe in love, but hopes to marry for money. He leaves after warning her.

Alester drives Jerry out to the deserted camp where he makes advances, which she repulses. Dan happens by and Jerry makes Alester take her home. When he learns that she has lost her job on his account he uses his influence to get her a place in a chorus.

Rehearsals are hard for her, but she is befriended by Evelyn Starr, who is in love with Jael Thane. Evelyn gives a party and when Alester says he cannot take her, Jerry invites Dan. Jael takes exception to Jerry's presence in Evelyn's home and an unpleasant scene ensues. Then Alester arrives.

Now go on with the story:

CHAPTER XXX

Jerry leaped from her chair beside Mrs. Starr's bed and stood poised in an uncertain attitude. Of course, she thought, Alester had assumed that she would come here without him. No, he had discovered that she'd asked Dan! Now there would be another scene possibly. She shrank from the thought of it.

"Where is he?" she asked Evelyn.

"I told him to join the other guests and I'd let you know that he was here," Evelyn replied. "I suppose he's in the living room. It wasn't very polite of me to leave him like that but I'm upset and —"

"Was he . . . excited?" Jerry inquired, moving toward the door.

"I didn't notice . . . yes, I think he was. Remember, I've only met him a few times. I can't say if it was my imagination or not but I

Jerry stared at him in astonishment. She hadn't dreamed that he cared so much about anything rather think he looked different tonight."

"I believe I'd better get my things and go," Jerry said uneasily. "Good night, Mrs. Starr. I hope you will be feeling all right tomorrow."

She smiled back from the open door and then hurried out into the long narrow hall that led to the reception foyer. She could see Alester standing there before she reached it. He saw her, too, and came forward to meet her.

"Is Dan Harvey here?" he asked pointblank.

Jerry gasped.

"What's the matter?" she countered in alarm.

"I went to his room and found your note on his drawer," Alester replied angrily.

"You read it?" Jerry could not restrain herself from saying in surprise.

"Certainly," Alester admitted readily, "when I recognized your handwriting. It was laying face upward. Will you tell me what you wanted with him at seven o'clock?"

"There's no reason why I should not," Jerry reminded him, "except that I don't like the way you ask me to."

"Well, you needn't bother," Alester retorted. "You wanted to hear from him after I telephoned you."

"That's right," Jerry agreed. "Evelyn had asked me to bring someone else if you couldn't come. There's nothing for you to get mad about over that, is there?"

"I won't have Dan Harvey taking you out," Alester declared warmly. "You could have come up here alone. And one thing is certain. I'm going to take you home."

Jerry lost her temper then. "No, you're not," she said. "I didn't let him take me home from Leontine's party, and anyway I'd like to know how you could come here when you told me your mother wanted you at home tonight," she added accusingly.

It rather surprised her that Alester appeared embarrassed by her question.

"She . . . er, changed her plans," he said evasively.

"Well, you needn't wait for me," Jerry returned emphatically. "I'm going home with Dan."

"If you do," Alester said threateningly, "I'll see that you don't go to Atlantic City with Weinertz' show."

Senators Question New Cabinet Member

Secretary of the Interior Roy O. West, recently appointed by President Coolidge, is shown as he appeared in Washington with the United States Senate committee investigating his appointment and his former employment by the Insull power interests. Left to right are Senator George P. McLean, Connecticut; Secretary West; Senator Gerald P. Nye, North Dakota, committee chairman; Senator Reed Smoot, Utah, and Senator Otis F. Glenn, new senator from Illinois.

she might do. But to threaten her . . .

"You can't have me fired," she defied him. "Mr. Hule wouldn't stand for it. I've made good with him and that's all he asks. Mr. Weinertz doesn't dare go over his head."

Alester smiled at her.

"Pretty clever, Jerry," he said admiringly. Her unexpected opposition to him had cooled his temper a trifle. It also served to remind him that Jerry was a stubborn little creature who couldn't be driven.

Just then Dan appeared down the hall, at the kitchen door. He saw Jerry and Alester and came toward them.

"Hello," he said, "I thought you were at . . ." there he paused . . "home," he added, and the anxious expression on Alester's face gave way to one of relief.

"I've come to take Miss Ray home," he said curtly.

Dan turned to Jerry. She looked at Alester.

"I'm going home with Dan," she said determinedly.

"Very well," Alester answered coldly. "Then I will not see you tomorrow. Please say good night to Miss Starr for me," he added, after turning on his heels, and was gone.

Jerry watched him go with a sinking heart. Surely he would not come back this time. And he'd been acting differently lately; she had thought at times that his infatuation was ripening into real love . . . real love!

She smiled bitterly. It wasn't the men who trapped themselves that way. It was the women.

"I've been talking with Mr. Mr. Thane," Dan said, breaking into her thoughts. "Miss Starr seems to have convinced him that you're not the sort of girl he hates so. If you like he will apologize to you, but I think we'd better dispense with that, Jerry, and be getting along. Someone told me that you're driving with Alester to Atlantic City tomorrow and I suppose you will want to make an early start."

"Why," Jerry said, "you heard what he said. He isn't going to take me."

"Yes, I heard it," Dan replied, "but I know that Alester often says things in a temper that he does not mean. I'd advise you to prepare for the trip just the same."

"I'll not,' Jerry delighted him by saying. "No one can dictate to me."

"I'm glad to hear you say that," Dan assured her, "because I don't want Alester to take you to Leontine Lebaudy's again, and he is the type to try to dictate his own wishes in the matter."

Jerry wondered why he brought up Leontine's name. But Dan could not say any more. He hoped she would guess that Alester's mother had not figured in his plans for the evening as he had said and that it was Leontine who had enticed him into an engagement.

Dan was puzzled to know why Alester had not kept his appointment with Leontine and why he had come to Miss Starr's home, until he remembered that he had left Jerry's note on his dresser.

Alester often came into his room at Carmoor. Until they met Jerry they had been on fairly good terms. Dan knew too much of Alester's past to feel any warm friendship for him, but he was too sensible to set himself up as monitor of a man with whim his business brought him in contact.

The realization that Alester was jealous of Jerry added nothing to Dan's happiness. He hadn't believed that Alester would spend much time with a nice girl of the "lower middle class," but now he wondered if he might not have misjudged him in another way.

Suppose he should want to marry Jerry! The idea of Jerry embracing marriage with a philanderer such as Alester made him shudder; not merely because he loved her himself but because he new how a man lik Alester could make a proud woman suffer.

"I've told him I won't go there any more," Jerry said in answer to his reference to leontine's inn. "These people who think that every girl of today is crazy for gin and jazz make me tired," she added irrelevantly.

At least it seemed irrelevant to Dan, but Jerry had suddenly thought of a letter she'd had from home that day. Her mother had told her neighbors about Jerry's going on the stage and their comments had been a sermon on the evils of theatrical life.

Dan's reference to the Lebaudy place had reminded her that Alester, too, had imputed a taste for wild life to the modern-girl, even to one who was not of the stage. He was continually trying to break down her opposition to night clubs and roadhouses. He seemed to think it was a pose.

"He's been playing around with the live ones so long he thinks everybody else ought to be buried," Dan said crisply. "But let's not stand here talking, if you're ready to leave."

Jerry went into Evelyn's room and got her hat and wrap.

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have been for her if only one flyer had come down with the ship! But which one? Jerry did not want to answer that question.

Dan had little to say to her as they drove down Broadway to Columbus Circle. He knew that they stood at a crossroads and that Jerry was headed one way and he another.

He could feel the warmth of her slender, dance-hardened body as she leaned wearily against him in the cab. He made no effort to put an arm around her though his refraining from doing so was taxing his self control to the utmost.

He thought, with longing, of the days of the cave man. Jerry would belong to him if only physical strength were needed to take her. He could crush her in one arm, and fight a dozen Alesters for her with the other.

Dan had always been rather proud of his strength . . . tonight he would have traded it for a gypsy love charm.

Jerry's eyelids drooped. She leaned a little more heavily on Dan without being conscious that she did so. The blessed safety she felt with him was so very blessed, so natural, that she was not even aware of it.

Dan was asking himself where and when he would see her again. He knew that before her show returned for its New York premiere he would have completed the job for which Alester had hired him.

Perhaps he would go west and join the air mail service or take up stunt flying with country town carnivals. There wasn't much kick in safe flying with nothing to live for, he told himself gloomily.

He knew, as Jerry didn't, that Alester would drive her to Atlantic City.

(To be continued)

A CHRISTMAS WISH

has to be a great big wish and an extra good wish, for Christmas is a wonderful season for wishing good things and doing good things. So out of gratitude to our friends and the good people of the community and to the Providence which blessed us all we are making the biggest and best wish that we can think of for your happiness and the happiness of all your friends, and may your joy last the whole New Year through.

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And this we do! May the fondest recollections of the old home and the best Christmas you ever knew cluster in pleasant memories so that you may pluck the choicest gems of life's sweetest and best joys.

There is a Santa Claus and he moves and has his being in our midst, providing good cheer and friendships and making us to appreciate our fellowman. He teaches us each to help carry the pack of the other fellow's burdens on our own shoulders.

We say to each of you that we are wishing that the Santa Claus of good cheer, happiness and contentment will be in your household during the Christmas season and that he will walk close by your side each day of the coming year.

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11 of the 13 "Baby Stars" Make Good In Movie Realm

By DUANE HENNESSEY
United Press Staff Correspondent.

HOLLYWOOD.—When 13 budding film actresses are named baby stars by the Wampas—movie press agents' organization—their victory is only partially won and the 1928 crop proves it.

Already a name or two has disappeared from the film lists, but for the most part the lucky 13 put in a busy year. Baby stardom furnishes the opportunity but means plenty of work for success.

Lina Basquette, Sue Carol, Gwen Lee, Sally Eilers, Dorothy Gulliver, Molly O'Day, Lupe Velez, Audrey Ferris, June Collyer, Ruth Taylor and Alice Day remain the active 11 of the 13 nominees.

Flora Bramley is in Henry Duffy's stock in Portland and Seattle. Ann Christy has done nothing of importance since the feminine lead for Harold Lloyd in "Speedy."

Of the 11 survivors several are considerably ahead in the race for the achievement cup to be presented at the Wampas ball next February when Hollywood gathers to gree her 1929 baby stars, give the outgoing crop a big hand and above all, have a good time.

Six pictures have kept Audrey Ferris, the red-haired Warner Brothers player busy. After appearing with Irene Rich twice she was featured in two pictures, starred in another and was the lead in a current production.

June Collyer had the leading feminine role in "Four Sons," and was co-starred with Conrad Nagel in "Playboy." She was featured in "Me Gangster," and "Hangman's House," then Fox decided to star her in "Woman Wise."

Lina Basquette came ahead rapidly. She had one of the leads in "The Godless Girl," Cecil B. DeMilles' recent production. She played opposite Richard Barthelmess in "The Noose," and "The Wheel of Chance," the former made before she attained baby stardom, but released afterward, and was featured in "Show Folks" and "Celebrity."

Dorothy Gulliver has been cast in a fourth and last series of "The Collegians," with George Lewis. Later, Universal will star her in a talkie. She has played opposite Reginald Denny, worked in three series of Collegians—some before being named by Wampas—and was co-starred with Lewis in "Honeymoon Flats."

Sue Carol has jumped from studio to studio. Douglas MacLean's "Soft Cushions," elevated her to baby stardom. Then she was featured in "Walking Back" and "Skyscraper" for Pathe, played opposite Lew Cody in "Beau Broadway" for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, and made "The Air Circus" "Win That Girl" and "Chasing Through Europe" for Fox.

Gwen Lee was cast in two Norma Shearer starring pictures and then was loaned to Fox for several vamp roles.

Lupe Velez, who climbed to prominence through her remarkable performance opposite Douglas Fairbanks in "The Gaucho," has been borrowed by Paramount to co-star with Gary Cooper in "The Wolf Song." After "The Gaucho," she worked in "Stand and Deliver," and in "The Love Song," retitled "Masquerade," for D. W. Griffith.

Alice Day has just completed "Times Square," a talkie. Her other appearances this year included the feminine lead in "The Smart Set," starring William Haines, "The Gorilla," and "The Way of the Strong."

Molly O'Day has just returned to the First National lot after a long vacation taken to get down to the weight specified in her contract. She appeared in "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," with Richard Barthelmess some months ago.

Ruth Taylor, who made her first important appearance in "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," which was not on the screen what it was in book form, has been handicapped by illness. She was forced to turn down the role of the Canary in "The Canary Murder Case." She was co-starred with James Hall in "Just Married" previous to her illness and will start work soon on "Domestic Love,"

After "The Goodbye Kiss," Sally Eilers left Mack Sennett to free lance. She appeared in "Dry Martini," a Mary Astor starring vehicle, recently.

When West Beat the East

NEA Los Angeles Bureau

West beat East when pretty 18-year-old Loretta Turnbull, of Los Angeles, defeated Helen Henschal of New York City, for the feminine motorboat title during the mid-winter National Outboard championships at Lake Elsinore, near Los Angeles. Miss Henschal, the loser, was also international girls' champion, having won the title in Germany last winter. Above, Miss Henschal (on left) is congratulating Miss Turnbull. Below is Miss Turnbull in her winning outboard craft "Sunkist Kid."

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK?

By EDSON R. WAITE
Shawnee, Okla.

Edwin S. Friendly, business manager of the New York Sun says:

That Archimedes, the great mathematician, once said: "Give me a lever and a place to stand and I will move the earth."

The great lever in modern industrial and commercial America today is advertising. Advertising is the power that stimulates and moves production to high levels and sales to high peaks.

And advertising in newspapers, by far the largest in total volume, has conclusively demonstrated itself as the quickest sales producer with the greatest selling power of any of the modern forms of advertising.

Consistent and intelligent advertising plays one of the most important parts in the enormous production and sale of commodities in our country today. Advertising, through its ability to inform a great number of people, creates a desire and hence a demand for products.

H. G. Wells has described advertising as one of the greatest influential and educational forces in the world today. Mr. Wells has considerable faith in the far reaching influence of advertising and to substantiate this conviction he has one of his characters in a recent book make this interesting assertion: "Only an adequate advertising campaign is needed to achieve the millenium."

"Repetition is reputation" is a truism essentially applicable to advertising. The sagacity of this fact is demonstrated by American advertisers, both great and small, therefore their reason for spending hundreds of millions of dollars each year for advertising.

Advertising, with its widely appreciated power and its steadily mounting record of success, stands in need of no defense. It is an integral and valuable part of our modern life and through the potency of its own merits performs a great and necessary service that has no recognized substitute.

RENEWED TESTS OF HELICOGYRE ALMOST PERFECT

Machine Can Ascend and Descend Vertically and Hover in Air.

LONDON. — Promising tests have been carried out in Paris with the new Isacco helicogyre flying machine, an improved model of which has been ordered by the British air ministry.

The machine it is claimed, can ascend and descend absolutely vertically and hover in the air, and is regarded as the next step in the development of aviation initiated by Senor de la Cierva with his autogiro.

The windmill blades of the Isacco machine have been given life and independence by the installation of motors, thus giving almost perfect control, whereas the blades in the Cierva autogiro are left to themselves.

The helicogyre now being built for the air ministry at the Saunders aircraft works at Cowes, Isle of Wight, is regarded as a great improvement on the one recently tested successfully at Le Bourget.

While the details of the air ministry's machine are a closely guarded secret, and may differ considerably from those of the helicogyre at Le Bourget, it is known that the latter has a fuselage fitted with an aeroengine, and a large two-bladed windmill, each blade being fitted with a motor and airscrew which face in opposite directions thus drawing the windmill round.

A bond election for $100,000.00 was carried by a vote of 297 to 91 in Robert Lee. This will go to building a highway for the Mitchel County line between Robert Lee and Colorado City to the Tom Green County line, between Robert Lee and San Angelo. The road will probably designated as a state highway.

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Such gifts as the wise men from the east offered to the Christ child are but symbols of the real riches of life—the riches of the human heart when it is blessed with health, good will, thankfulness and a spirit of good fellowship. May all these and other good gifts be yours this Merry Christmas time.

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PHILLIPS DRUG STORE
204 Main Phone 15

1928

MAY YOU RECEIVE IN FULL MEASURE

THE GIFTS YOU MOST DESERVE

Whatever 1928 has meant to each of us it has gone.

But we have a New Year before us. We hope it will be a good one for you, filled with health and happiness.

We thank you for 1928 patronage. We want to serve you again in 1929.

LONE STAR GARAGE
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May The Christmas Of

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BE A FORERUNNER FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR IN

1929

We feel that we have made progress with our business during the past year. But whatever we have accomplished, we have done so because of the loyalty of our patrons.

We cannot get away from the thought that our patrons have made it possible for us to go forward with this business and it is therefore our greatest pleasure to remember you with kindly greetings and every good wish we know to send.

HICKS DRUG STORE

TO THOSE WHO HAVE THIS YEAR'S WORK POSSIBLE

We long ago recognized the patron as the essential to success in business. Likewise have we realized that indifferent patrons who do business on a "cold-blooded" basis will not build a business like cordial, friendly, enthusiastic friends will build. Our good fortune has been to have the last named class of patrons. Therefore it is but natural that during this happy season our minds instinctively turn to those who have made our past year's work possible. In all earnestness we send you greetings with kind thoughts and good wishes for Christmas and the year ahead.

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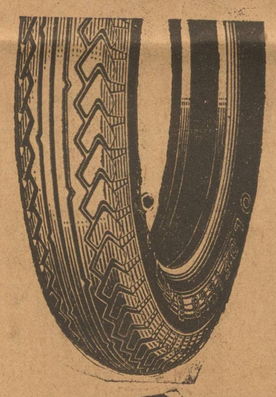

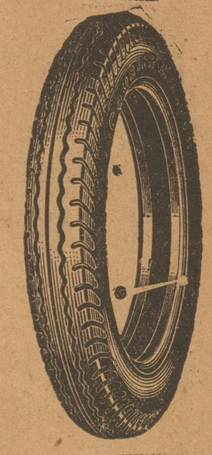

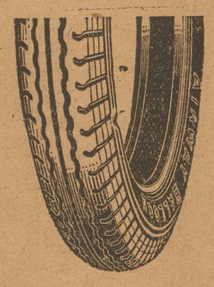

(Firestone Tires and Tubes for Service and Economy)

As we come into the season when our thoughts are turned from the cares of business we rejoice in the recollections of happy relations we have had with our patrons.

As we recount the accomplishments of the past we find chief among our assets the good-will and friendship of those with whom it has been our pleasure to deal.

It is, therefore, with genuine pleasure and in all sincerity that we broadcast our best Christmas wishes to you.

MAY IT BE A HAPPY YULETIDE FOR YOU AND YOURS

Bringing just those things you need and most desire. Then, after the glamor and observance of the season has passed we hope that happiness, peace of mind, contentment and prosperity, will be with you on through the days of the New Year.

Accept our thanks for your loyalty and patronage. We shall look forward in pleasant anticipation of a continuation during 1929 of our past happy relations.

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SPORTSMATTER

BY FRANK GETTY
UNITED PRESS SPORTS EDITOR

By WILLIAM J. DUNN
United Press Staff Correspondent

The day of the college football captain is rapidly passing and the fall gridiron sport is becoming more and more a business of the coaches.

Captains are still elected as in years past, but the prestige and authority of the 1929 football leader will not be extensive. The captain of the present day must look to the bench for instructions when the going is rough.

There is the possibility that some day the college gridiron captain may exist only in the memories of old-time followers of the sport. Several schools already have taken steps toward that end.

As an example, Carnegie Tech, one of the greatest teams in the East during the past year, has accepted the recommendation of Advisory Coach Walter P. Steffen, and will send an eleven onto the gridiron next fall without the formality of a captain.

Some Have Two Captains

Proof of the present lack of meaning in the rank of football captain is contained in the fact that many teams have two captains. Michigan State, for instance recently named Vern Dickeson and Fred Danziger to lead their 1929 aggregation.

Probably the only school where the captaincy is really more than a title, is Harvard. At Harvard Arnold Horween has attempted to build a team capable of playing its own game. His system met with ather fair success during the 1928 season.

At the schools where captains already have been chosen for the 1929 season, the linemen seem to hold the edge in popularity. A list of 35 schools (36 captains) compiled by the United Press, shows 20 linemen chosen for the honor, against 16 backs.

Excluding the ends, however, the count is the same—16 backs and 16 linemen.

The first All-American star elected to captain his team in 1929 was Chris Cagle, fiery-headed Army halfback. Cagle was elected following the Stanford game.

Others prominently mentioned for the mythical elevens who will lead their respective teams in 1929 are Barragar of Southern California, Glassgow of Iowa and Greene of Yale.

Greene's Hard Task.

Greene, a guard, faces the unenviable task of leading a team which had one of its most disastrous seasons in 1928. He already is confident that "1929 will be a different story," and has predicted a fighting team for Eli next year.

The list of 1929 captains includes:

New York U., Leonard Grant, Tackle; City College of New York, Bernard Bienstock, Quarterback; Navy, Lyle Koepke, Guard; Chicago, John P. Kelley, End; Illinois, Russell Crane, Guard; Iowa State, Edwin Schlenker, Guard; Michigan State, Vern Dickeson, Halfback, Fred Danziger, Fullback; U. of Michigan, Joe Truskowski, End; Ripon, Donald Martin, Quarterback; Middlebury, Sam Guarnaccia, Halfback; Southern California, Nathan Barragat, Center; Lafayette, William Sherwood, End; Dartmouth, Ellsworth Armstrong, Tackle; Iowa, Willis Glassgow, Halfback; Boston College, Patrick Creedon, Halfback; Yale, Waldo Greene, Guard; Harvard, James Barrett, Tackle; Colorado College, Earl Clark, Quarterback; Wisconsin, John Parks, Guard; Villanova, Edward Melasson, Fullback; Virginia, John Sloan, Quarterback; Virginia M. I., Albert Hawkins, Quarterback; Rochester, Bert Van Horne, Halfback; Kentucky, Will Covington, Halfback; Holy Cross, Stuart Clancy, Fullback; Swarthmore, Ben Haviland, End; Wesleyan, Jim Bagg, Fullback; Lehigh, William Miller, Tackle; U. of Washington, Paul Jessup, Tackle; Connecticut Aggies, Corwin Hawkins, Tackle; Schuylkill, Harry McFarlane, Tackle; Norwich, Joseph Tansey, Guard; Colgate, John Cox, Center; Massachusetts Aggies, Raymond Mann, Center.

State Animal Control Representative Meets With Eastland Men

O. L. Coleman, assistant leader of predatory animal control for the state, was in Eastland, Thursday, conferring with parties leading the fight for the destruction of predatory animals in this county.

"Twenty seven trappers under federal supervision," Coleman said in speaking of the importance of such a movement, "have been employed in the following counties near Eastland for the purpose of destroying predatory animals:

"Commanche, Brown, Coleman, Palo Pinto, Erath, Somervell, Hood, Parker, Tarrant, Young, Jack, Clay, Denton, Bosque, McLennan and Hamilton. The first of these counties to organize was Bosque, which organization was effected in July 1927. Recently reports from that county are to the effect that there has been more netting wire sold to those who have gone into the sheep and goat business within the last six months than during the entire history of the county theretofore. In none of these counties has the work of destroying the predatory ainmals been abandoned but the work is still being carried forward.

"Experience has demonstrated that the employment of skilled trappers under Government supersion is the most practical and effective way of destroying predatory animals. However, if the Commissioners Court of any county sees proper to offer the bounty which is provided by law, namely, $2.00 for each wolf and $1.00 for each coyote, there is no reason why the county can not employ both methods of destroying these animals.

"The policy of the Government is to secure efficient trappers, and the Government had just as soon have a local trapper as non-resident trapper, provided he is efficient. The largest amount paid any trapper is $5.00 for each day that he labors, and the trapper is required to furnish his own means of transportation.

"One trapper in Tarrant County caught 10 wolves the first eleven days of December. More than 400 wolves have been caught in Palo Pinto County during the past two years. When the work was first begun in that county it was carried on by an association. Approximately 15 months ago destruction of predatory animals in Palo Pinto County went under Government supervision, with the old association and the Commissioners Court co-operating.

"A large part of the wolves have been absolutely destroyed in Hamilton, Parker, Palo Pinto, Bosque, McLennan, Commanche, Nolan, Brown and Coleman Counties. As a result there is an increased production of sheep, goats turkeys and poultry generally, resulting in the increased valuation of property i nthe counties mentioned.

"Before Clay County began the work of destroying predatory animals, the Chamber of Commerce and County Demonstration Agent at Henrietta made an estimate of the value of poultry destroyed in that county by predatory animals, and estimated that it amounted to $10,000.00 per year.

Building permits in Lamesa have totaled $300,000.00 this year with every prospect of continueing. Brick, brick vanire, and stucco houses have held the majority in the residential district with frame buildings in the minerity.

Hooks and Slides

Bucky Tries Again

IT will be interesting to watch how George Uhle performs in Detroit next season for young Mr. Bucky Harris. Mr. Harris has established quite a reputation for getting results from veteran pitchers who wouldn't behave for other managers, and it seems that the new Tiger manager was the only one in the league who would take a chance on Uhle.

Harris made a name for himself by taming Dutch Reuther, for a season at least, and while Dutch was tamed he had a big part in pitching the Washington Senators into a pennant.

"There was no mystery in what I did with Reuther," Harris often has said. "I merely told him that I expected him to be ready to work every four days, and that I didn't care what he did when he wasn't working. I told him that it was up to him to arrange his schedule so that he would feel like pitching when his turn came."

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Uhle Not a Bad Man

BECAUSE his personal habits had to be mentioned when Cleveland was trying to arrange a trade for him, the customers may get the mistaken idea that Uhle is a bad man. He is not a bad man.

His difficulty was that he knew too many people in Cleveland and had too many friends. And he was a hound for pinochle.

A former manager of the Cleveland club, talking about Uhle before he was traded to Detroit said:

"George never was addicted to strong drink, as far as I know, and I think I know him. He was a great friend for sitting around with his friends—very nice people—and playing cards and having a glass or two of beer. He never ran around or caroused, but he would sit up half the night with friends. He would be as bright at two in the morning as he was at supper time, but he wouldn't feel like pitching the next day. Ilm saying this simply because the public may get the idea from all the talk going around that he is a rounder. He is not."

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Indians Had to Gamble

IF Uhle should step out and win about 20 ball games for the Tigers this year—and he is good enough to do it—the Cleveland officials might have to swallow some wild razzberries.

They knew they were taking the chance when they decided to release him from the club. It is a gamble that every baseball club has to take once in a while.

Uhle wouldn't have won 20 games for Cleveland. He was given a salary raise of $5000 on the year when new owners acquired the Indians, and that raise alone represents more than a lot of men make for working 12 months a year, eight hours a day.

If he didn't deliver for Cleveland it means that he couldn't, and not that he didn't want to.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

WALTER JOHNSON and Billy Southworth did not attend the major league meetings. . . . Their owners were running the club. . . . And they may run the clubs next summer. . . . Mrs. Helena Raskob has acquired a racing stable. . . . And has two entries in the Belmont Futurity. . . . Her husband was connected with the last election. . . . Myles McLain took a back-hand crack at the east. . . . He was ruled out of the Western Conference. . . . But said he would play in the east next year. . . . And favored Carnegie Tech. . . . The injury that Al Lassman suffered in the New York U-Carnegie Tech game may ruin him for professional boxing. . . . And he was considered the best college prospect ever. . . . Walter Trumbull is being mentioned as probable successor to John Chapman. . . . As assistant director at Rickard's Garden. . . . He is a wealthy sports writer. . . . And the one who used to burn up the sports editor of the N. Y. World. . . . By sending his copy down with his butler. . . . Glenn Wright's trouble was, they say, that he was tossed over by his girl.

Listen, My Children!

IN the absence of any hot news, the space in this department will be filled today with a little story of a baseball pitcher who had one great season, and why he had it.

The pitcher was a nice fellow and absolutely honest. His trouble was that he liked a shot or two and that he couldn't pitch very well the day after he had had his shots.

He went to Philadelphia with his club early in the season. He had dropped three or four games, but he was always particularly effective against the Athletics, and it was a disappointment to his manager when he blew clear out of the park in the seventh inning and lost the game.

After the game Kid Gleason called one of the coaches of the pitcher's team.

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Circumstantial Case

"DID your fellow kick that game today?" the Kid asked.

"I should say not. You know he wouldn't do a thing like that," the coach answered hotly. "He musta been out last night."

"He was out, and that's the thing. A bunch of rum-dums here in town said they had the word from him that he was going to pitch today, and to shoot the bankroll that he'd blow. He's always been good against us and they got good prices. I think we'da beat him anyway today, but those stories don't go good in Philadelphia. Better look around a little. We don't want our fellows gettin' any tickets from Landis. I'm sure he didn't, but he'd better be careful where he goes and what he says."

The coach looked up the pitcher in the hotel that night.

"You big (something terrible)," the coach called him. "You'll be gettin' a telegram from Landis, and don't come cryin' to us. We won't sink for any bum that kicks away ball games and tells about it."

"Whaddye mean, kickin' ball games?" the pitcher gulped, turning pale. "I never kicked a game in my life, and you know it."

"I thought so before, but I got the story straight. The A's know about it, and a lot of hoodlums who bet that you were going to blow the game know it, too. You'll be going to Chicago soon to see the Judge."

"I don't know what you're talking about. You know they just got to me today. That's all."

"Weren't you in a joint on the south side last night taking on some balls? And didn't you tell them in there that you were going to pitch? And didn't you give them the word? And didn't they go out and bet that you'd lose the game?" the coach shot at him.

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Just a Little Talk

"YES, I was in that joint last night, and I did take on a lot of balls. There was a beer man in there buying drinks for the house, and I just knocked 'em off as they put 'em up. We didn't say anything about baseball."

"Did you tell anyone you were going to work or what was going to happen?"

"Well, now that I remember, some little guy who was likkered asked me if I was going to work the next day, and I told him it was my turn and that I supposed I would work. That's all I said. I didn't say anything else."

The coach gave him a lecture about playing joints and talking to likkered fellows, scared him to death about the call from Landis and the pitcher went on the wagon and won almost 30 games.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

CHUCK CARROLL, the noted football fellow from Washington, may be in there next to Christian Cagle for the West Points next fall . . . He's trying to decide whether he wants to be a lawyer or a second looey . . . Johnny Farrell confesses that he cashed in 75 grand clear on the open title since mid-summer . . . George Uhle says his late season suspension by the Clevelands cost him 15 cees . . . The Ebbetts half interest in the Brooklyn ball club was appraised at $833,846 in court . . . Only the 11 regulars of the Brown University team got varsity football letters . . . Jimmy McLarnin got $86,600 for five fights this year . . . An average of $3095 a year . . . Hogan and Cohen, the famous Jint vaudevillians, are now playing besketbali . . . Jim Barrett, the new Harvard football captain, wants to play Princeton again . . . And they'll be playing again before long . . . Because Harvard has learned how to defend herself.

SURCHARGE IS WANTED

By United Press.

DALLAS, Dec. 22.—Southern railroads are preparing to fight efforts to abolish the surcharge on Pullman fares urged by commercial travelers through their organization, according to information received by the Southern Pacific line.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has three times decided the surcharge to be just and reasonable.

"SHUT IN" FARTY HELD

SEATTLE, Wash.—Magazines, photos of news events, jellies, pastries and a miscellany of things was collected for a Legion "party for Shut-ins."

RURAL SCOUTS FORMED

DOVER, Del.—Walter L. Fox Post, the American Legion, is forming Boy Scout troops in the rural district where none existed previously.

LIBERTY THEATRE
Today and Tomorrow
HOOT GIBSON
-in-
'CLEARING THE TRAIL'
Admission 10 and 25 cents

GOD REST YOU MERRY GENTLEMEN

THIS STORE HAS AN INTEREST IN YOUR HAPPINESS

And this holiday message has a greater meaning than we are able to express in mere words. It is our honest intent to impress you with our sincerity in sending broadcast this Christmas message bearing our good wishes for our patrons.

We have a desire to give tangible evidence of our interest in your welfare and happiness and in each business transaction, large or small, in the future, we will endeavor faithfully to add to your happiness.

In the glorious spirit of the season we extend greetings and cordial good wishes.

JOSEPH DRY GOODS CO
Ranger's Foremost Department Store

TIS THE MERRY CHRISTMAS TIME

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Greetings!
WILLIAM FOX presentation
The AIR CIRCUS
With
LOUISE DRESSER DAVID ROLLINS
SUE CAROL ARTHUR LAKE
Directed by
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Young America Flies to Conquer!
TODAY AND TOMORROW
ARCADIA
Shows Start: 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
At this the festive Season THE STAFF OF THIS THEATRE wishes you MERRY XMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

RANGER TIMES

RANGER, TEXAS, TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1928

JOSEPH M. WEAVER'S 'HOBBY' GROWS INTO $75,000 INVESTMENT

EASTLAND, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Eastland may have a "turkey trot" next fall.

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Bell-Hurst Ranch, model poultry farm established here in March 1926 by Joseph M. Weaver, Eastland oil operator, plans to have enough turkeys by that time to have the "trot". Their plans are to raise between 3,000 and 5,000.

And turkeys are not all that Bell-Hurst Ranch will raise during 1929. Monday the big Jamesway, 20,000-egg capacity incubator on the ranch, will be put in operation and unless the management has figured far wrong, will hatch 250,000 baby chicks during the year, many of which will be grown into full sized chickens.

Three hundred pair of White King and Carneaux pigeons are now on the farm for breeding purposes and an effort is to be made to supply a big demand for squabs during the coming year.

Just a Hobby

Pursuing a hobby, Weaver thought to spend only $2,000 or $3,000 in the poultry business when he entered the game. His interest in the business grew; he found that he liked it and he decided to put more money into it. Today his investment at Bell-Hurst Ranch is well on the way to the $75,000.00 point.

Bell-Hurst Ranch is a business institution, conducted on modern business principles. It produces chickens, turkeys and squabs for the market. It does more than this. It is growing and developing its own strain of fine White Leghorn and Rhode Island Red chickens which offers for sale as breeding stock.

Blooded Stock

As a nucleus around which to build this strain of blooded stock, the Ranch purchased, some time ago, one White Leghorn cock and ten hens from Tancred Farms at Kent, Washington, paying $200 for the cock and $50 each for the hens. From this cock enough high pedigreed cockerels have been raised to mate with a large number of double 300 egg hens and every white leghorn baby chick to be hatched on the farm during 1929 will have come from the $200 sire of the Tancred Farms.

The Queen Bess strain of Rhode Island Red is raised on this farm. Three purebred Rhode Island Red cockerels were recently purchased by the Farm from Lester Sprawls of Joplin, Missiouri. $100 each was paid for them.

The Mammoth Bronze turkey is raised, 180 of them having been saved this year for breeding stock.

New Acreage

The farm just recently secured 1,000 acres of land adjoining the 10 acres on which the ranch is located, on which turkeys are to be grazed. One hundred and seventy acres of this tract are fenced for turkeys.

At the Oil Belt Poultry Show at Ranger this month the products from Bell-Hurst Ranch won first prize in every contest in which they were entered.

The plant on Bell-Hurst Ranch, at present covers 60 of land. There are approximately 160 acres in the tract, however. It is laid off in streets 60-feet wide and alleys 30-feet wide. There are more than a dozen individual type poultry houses, 24x48 feet, and four additional ones of 600 hen capacity each are now under construction. There are two fenced runways 135 x165 feet with each house. On these runways green stuff is grown for the chickens to graze on.

Cold Storage

The entire plant is equipped with Jamesway equipment, heated with gas and lighted with electricity. There is an abundance of feeders, water fountains, trap nests, brooders, incubators, hatchers, etc.

A fair sized dairy herd is kept on the ranch for the purpose of producing milk for the chickens and turkeys. These cows are kept in modern dairy barns and given the very best of care.

A cold storage plant is included in the farm equipment and all kind of dressed chickens, turkeys, squabs, etc., are kept on hand at all times for sale either retail or wholesale. Trucks are operated between Eastland and adjoining towns and between Eastland and Fort Worth and the products of the farm are marketed to a great extent in this way.

W. K. Hyer, manager of he farm stated that he would do custom hatching this coming year.

SPARKS TO OPEN LAW OFFICE

(Eastland Telegram)

Couny Attorney J. Frank Sparks, whose term of office expires January 1, will not leave Eastland but instead will engage in the practice of civil and criminal law here. He will have offices in the Texas State Bank building.

Sparks received a number of attractive offers, but each of them was such as would have made it necessary for him to leave Eastland and he did not wish to do this.

"I have my home here like the town and people and believe there is a splendid future," He said.

Sparks is a graduate of the Texas State University, holding a L. L. B. degree. He served in the 39th Texas Legislature and while a member of that body was elected County Attorney of Eastland county.

During the two years he was in the County Attorney's office Sparks tried more than 225 felony cases, 20 of which number were capital cases. Of this number of capital cases he got convictions with death penalties in five, 99 years penalties in 4, had two mistrials and one acquittal.

Playwright Eugene O'Neill, seeking solitude, has fled from Cape Cod to Shanghai to Hawaii. He might do his work in the night clubs any time before midnight.

BELL-HURST RANCH OWNER

Joseph M. Weaver, Eastland oil operator, and owner of the Bell-Hurst Ranch—the best equipped poultry farm in West Texas. Thousands of poultry raisers and representatives of poultry concerns have visited the model business, which is located on the Bankhead Highway, east of Eastland.

Eastland Residents Start Trip To Europe

(Eastland Telegram)

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Walker, owners of the Texas Hotel, Eastland, left today at noon for a European trip which will last over three months.

They will make an overland trip to New York, from where they will sail on the Atriatic, January 10 for the Madeira Islands where they will spend two days.

They will next visit Gibraltar for two days and will go to Athens, Naples, Constantinople and Haifa. They will leave the steamer at Haifa and will spend 16 days in the Holy Land. Plans call for visiting Palestine, Jerusalem and other points of interest. They will sail on the sea of Galilee. Visits to Cairo and Egypt will follow.

At Luxor they will take passage on a steamer up the Nile River to the great cataract on the Nile. The trip will take them to Assuan, Africa, and will require 7 days.

They will return to Cairo and Alexandria and take the Laurentic for Naples. The couple will go by rail to Rome where they will spend five days. A visit to Florence follows and three days will be spent in Venice.

Side trips to the Alps will be made during the four days time they spend at Lucerne, Switzerland.

Seven days in Paris, five in London and three in Liverpool, will conclude the European tour.

They will sail for New York about April 1 on the Cedric.

HUNDREDS IN PARADE

HOBOKEN, N. J.—Joseph Hassenforder Post No. 118, the American Legion staged a "muffin" parade in which hundreds in various costumes took a part.

"Killer's Mother Calls Him Rascal," says a headline in a New York newspaper. If the young man keeps on like this he'll need a good spanking.

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To every member firm and secretary who has contributed in any way to the success of our association during the past year; to you who have given that most priceless thing, your good will—we wish to express our sincere appreciation and wish for you

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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Alice D. True, Secretary

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This is the wish we send to our friends and patrons and in the same message we include our heart-felt thanks for your favors of the past and express the hope that we may continue to serve you in the year ahead.

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THIS HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON

—Causes us to turn back the hands of time as we go down memory's trail through the days of 1928 and live over again the days you helped to make it happy and pleasant for us. And now we come with hearty wishes for you and those whose happiness depends upon you.

—May the Santa Claus of good fortune be kind and generous to you and as Old Father Time moves us on into the days of a New Year may you find them bright, happy days, filled with laughter, smiles and joys with enough of the deeper joys of life intermingled to make it the best year you have ever lived.

—That is a generous wish, we admit, but we sincerely wish that much for you and even more.

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Sure, Virginia, There IS a Santa Claus

Who is that who doesn't believe in Santa Claus and whose emotions do not stir to all the fine feelings and sentiment that the pudgy-nosed little old fellow brings each Christmastide.

Let there be more Santa Clauses and a spreading of the gospel of Good-Will that always heralds and follows the good old Christmas-time.

C. H. DUNLAP
JEWELER

GEORGE RECTOR GIVES SECRETS OF GREAT COOKS

Famous Chefs Generally Lack Appetite and Eat Little, He Says.

Special to The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. ..—George Rector, head of the famous "Rector's" in New York and regarded as one of the greatest authorities on cooking in the world, as a holiday treat for Americans makes public for the first time the recipe of his own favorite dish in a forthcoming magazine article. This has been a secret French method of preparing chicken saute and has for many years been the celebrated restaurateur's piece de resistance. Mr. Rector intimates that the most famous cooks guard the secrets of their kitchens so carefully that a "theft" is about as difficult as a government agent trying to get the formula of a new gas from a foreign war department. In an "inside story" about some of the most celebrated chefs, their methods of cooking, enjoyments, or lack of enjoyment, Mr. Rector reveals many things that are quite contrary to popular opinion.

If cooking is an art, as many believe, it is one in which the artist generally finds little pleasure in his most famous masterpieces. Mr. Rector has known, he says, most of the greatest cooks on earth. Of all, only one actually found the pleasure of a gourment in eating. The majority seldom if ever eat their outstanding specialties. Some come actually to hate their master achievements in cooking. Generally cooks eat little. Their appetite is destroyed by constant sampling and tasting. When they do eat, they prefer plain, middle-class, plebeian food, such as soups and stews. Contrary to popular opinion, few cooks get fat. Most remain lean and thin.

"What do the cooks eat?" writes Mr. Rector. "I don't want to be like the bald-headed barber who is ready to recommend any hair tonic in his shop by swearing he uses it on his own crown, so I will have to admit right here that most cooks don't eat what they serve.

"A meal that is fit for a king isn't always fit for a cook.

"The question, 'What do cooks eat?' may be answered with a sniff of the nose and a single word: 'Nothing.' Cooks don't eat. That is, they rarely eat in the fine manner of eating, the epicurean manner of eating, the grand manner of eating, the gourmet's manner of eating, or the gourmand's manner of eating. With a cook, eating rarely becomes the be-all and the end-all of all time. He does not preen himself with anticipatory juices and teasers for the appetite. He is a taster and snatcher of snippets of food, a on Juan among the other man's dishes, but for good solid devotion and regular enjoyment of his meals he is no man.

"I have known a great many cooks in my time. I studied with some of the noblest chefs in the world during my student days in Paris, and I employed some of the ablest broilers and stewers of comestibles during my career as the head of Rector's. The rest of the great cooks I met during my recent tour of Europe.

"The main reason for the simplicity in the average cook's diet is the fact that he must continually be tasting. A snatch of fish, a lick of sauce, a spoon of soup, a slip of potato, always tasting shaking out a whiff of pepper on the back of his hand, adding it to the sauce, tasting again—no wonder the cook has no appetite!

"A cook, too, may become as tired of his specialty as does an actor of a long-run part. Joseph Jefferson played Rip Van Winkle for so long a time that he finally got to believe he was Rip. Hippolyte Arnion, whom I consider in many ways the finest chef of all time, had to prepare Sauce Mornay once a day for 40 years. The climax of preparing a sauce is the tasting of it. I don't know whether at the end of that time Hippolyte believed himself to be Sauce Mornay. But I wouldn't be surprised if he did.

53,000 Times

"Arnion, however, never developed a positive hate for his sauce as did his chief contemporary, Le Veau, for the Sauce Marguery which he had to make daily. When I landed in Paris with the object of stealing, borrowing, or begging the recipe of the Sauce Marguery for use in Rector's kitchens, I went about it as craftily as a government agent trying to get the formula of a new gas from a foreign war department. I got a job in the kitchen of Le Veau, who had been making this sauce for 27 years. The preparation of the sauce took a good part of the morning, and Le Veau went about it quite cheerfully, mixing the yolks of the eggs and the white wine and the butter and the essence of fish with a sturdy arm in his huge caldron. He sang songs to himself as he stirred away at the mixture, and no milkmaid in her pantry could have presented a more cheerful sight. But as the morning drew toward tasting-time, the song did a fade-out from his lips.

"Presently he would leave he dish and go over to chat with Jacques La Croix. A sort of expectant hush would come over the kitchen, for anyone knew the painful moment had arrived. Jacques would be preparing Sauce Bearnaise or Sauce Hollandaise. As they talked, Le Veau's eyes would wander back toward that great caldron of sauce, waiting to be tasted, and his voice would drop.

"'Fifty-three thousand times,' he would stay, 'I have prepared this sauce, and each it tastes exactly the same.'

"But finally the dreaded moment could be put off no longer. A sauce untasted is a sauce undone, and a chef would do more think of letting a sauce go untried to the table than an author (the editor tells me) would think of letting his article go unread to the press. So I read the proofs. And so Le Veau would stride up to his pot, shut his eyes, jab his finger in the sauce, lift it to his mouth, make a wry face, and pronounce the solemn benison: 'Parfait!'

"And the Marguery was ready to serve.

"As one of the greatest occasions in my career, I remembered the time when M. Arion favored me with an invitation to his home for Sunday dinner. Arnion was the father of a school of cooks just as surely as McGraw was the parent of a school of baseball managers. As fast as Arnion's cooks matured, they were nabbed by leading American and English restaurants. The mark of maturity was generally considered as given when Arnion invited an apprentice to Sunday dinner. That meant the youth was ready to be initiated into the mysteries of the Temple.

"When he invited me for dinner, I ventured to say, 'You will no doubt prepare a marvelous meal?'

"'Ah, mais non,' said Arnion. 'Not I.'

"I must have stared at him rather stupidly, for he added, 'I am not chef in my house. But,' he reassured me, 'it will be a marvelous meal, that I can say, yes.'

"'What will we have?' I asked.

"A sly grin appeared on his face. 'That I do not know.'

"'You don't know?'

"'I am not allowed in the kitchen of my home,' said Arnion.

"And at that I nearly fell into the onion soup.'

"However, on Sunday, I journeyed out to his little cottage in Chantilly, for Arnion, like all good bourgeoisie, lived in the suburbs. It was a delightful little place, with its jardin in front and in back. He grew his own vegetables here, and even his own grapes.

"I was still wondering what strange combination of circumstances could keep Arnion, the foremost chef in the world, out of his own kitchen.

"The table was set in the garden under an umbrella so huge that it might have served to protect the ark fro mthe deluge.

"'Monsieur,' said Arnion, 'here is the chef who does not allow me in my kitchen.'

"And he presented his wife."

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We have the revival of old friendships which do so much to warm up and make glad the heart of the world. And the greetings of friends are a part of the real music of earth.

And there are a thousand and one other sounds of joy and echoes of gladness at this season of the year which remind us hourly that the music of the skies has for another day at least come down to add to the happiness of earth.

May your Christmas be filled with Heaven's choicest harmonies.

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Flight, 20 Years Ago, Created Much Interest in U. S.

By NEA Service.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12, 1908. —King of the air, monarch who IS monarch of all he surveys, and yet the ruler of the most impalpable and least-peopled principality—that is Orville Wright, the little wisp of a man who has astounded the world with his performances in the Wright brothers' aeoplane at Fort Myer during the past two weeks.

When the aeroplane lies inert, dead and immovable on the parade ground, it is hard to reconcile its very materialism with the evolutions it performs later in the upper air. It's hard to be anything but a native of Missouri when one inspects nearly 800 pounds of wood, canvas, motor and wire, even if it does bear a slight general resemblance, in it's canvas covered framework, to the fleet flying duck.

Orville Wright Is Pilot.

But once launched, the thing (everybody agrees in calling it "the thing" out at Fort Myer, because "aeroplane" sounds so scientific) becomes endowed with life. In his little seat, in the center of the machine, sits the brains, the heart and the thinking power of the aeroplane. With his two hands on levers controlling the least quiver of the whole Orville Wright himself, brains, nerves and thought personified, guides its destinies and puts it through its paces.

Picture No. 1 gives a perfect idea of appearance of the aeroplane as it rests in the center of the Fort Myer parade ground. A single wooden rail runs out for a distance of perhaps 30 feet, is clearly shown. The aeroplane is supported on this track by a small single wheel in the center of the framework, between the two sled-like runners so plainly seen in the pictures. When ready to launch the aeroplane is backed up on this track to within a few feet of a tripod. A pulley at the further end of track carries a rope from a hook under the aeroplane back to a weight of 1400 pounds, which hangs from another pulley supported by the tripod. Half a dozen soldiers raise this weight to its full height, two more "crank-up" the motor by twisting the two propellers behind; Mr. Wright sidles into his little seat, grasps the levers, nods his head, the weight is released, and with its fall pulls the aeroplane forward along the track at express train speed. At the end of the rail the rope is automatically released, and, with the initial impetus already gained, the machine, aided by the whirring propellers, gracefully flutters above the ground a few seconds, and, as Mr. Wright raises the planes, soars gracefully up into the air.

"Coming Down Is Easier"

Coming down is even easier. Mr. Wright circles around and picks out his spot, inclines his rudder planes, swoops along a few feet in the air, and, finding a spot to his liking, shuts off the motor. The aeroplane, its motion lessened, gracefully hesitates for an infinitesimal shade of time, and then airily settles, its "skees" or sled runners slide along the ground for a few feet, maybe the aeroplane bounces a few inches, and then comes to a stop. It is exactly the way a sparrow alights from the air—he softly soars down and, striking the earth easily, overcomes the momentum by a few little short hops.

This picture No. 1 gives a very clear view of the details of the Wright craft. The forward "neck" shows the planes set just as Mr. Wright left them when he came down from the upper air. The two horizontal planes in both the neck and the body proper are arranged to move easily, and it is by moving them that the aeroplane is made to rise or descend. The perpendicular plane in the "neck" is a sort of auxiliary rudder. All of the planes are slightly curved—resembling a clam shell. The rudder proper is in the rear—two simple planes perpendicularly set. They respond to the movement of a lever.

Five Gallon Gas Tank.

Directly in the rear of the main framework the two propellers are visible. They revolve in opposite directions about 500 times a minute. They are made of the lightest, strongest spruce obtainable.. Inded, all the supporting branches are of wood and the only metal in the machine, beyond the motor, is in the screws, binding posts and piano wire strengtheners. The wonderful little motor—an invention of the Wright brothers—is located just a little to the right of the center of the framework and balanced by the weight of the operator on the seat to the left. It is an air-cooled gasoline engine and the five-gallon fuel tank is plainly visible.

MODERN ARDEN-CASE
By United Press.

LAREDO, Texas.—A twentieth century Enoch Arden was revealed here with the death of John Davis, laborer.

Davis, as he was known to his friends here, a little more than 14 years ago, kissed his wife goodbye at their little home in Quebec Canada, and went to France to fight for his country.

He was reported dead, but came through the war without serious injury.

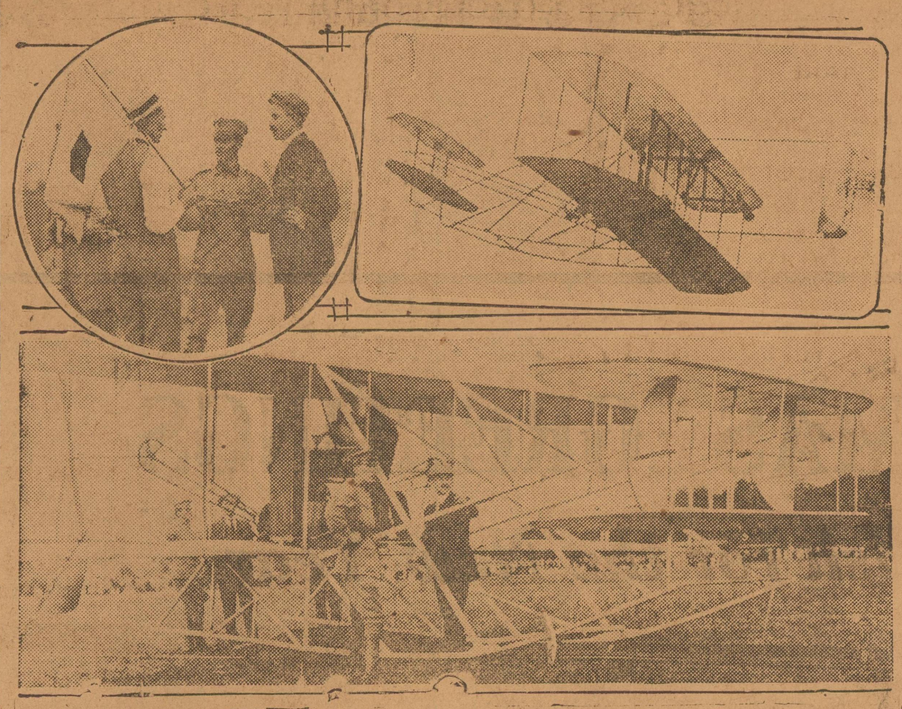
Returning to his little Quebec cottage, John La Rouche, looked in the window, and like the Enoch Arden of fiction found another man happily married to his wife.

He gazed into the window for some time, and then wheeled on his heel and headed into the darkness.

When John La Rouche was seen again it was as John Davis, laborer in the Texas oil fields.

Until he was about to die, Davis kept his secret and not until then did he reveal the reason for his strange, quiet and secluded life.

FIRST REAL FLIGHT BY WRIGHT



Back in September, 1908, when the airplane was little more than a box kite with a gasoline motor, Orville Wright demonstrated his remarkable invention to the satisfaction of U. S. army officials with a flight at Fort Myer, Va., that lasted one hour and 14 minutes—the first real flight in history. Here are the pictures that the newspapers printed at the time—above, the Wright plane in flight and, below, a closeup of the strange contrapion wih Orville Wright (in civilian clothes) in fortground. The other picture, taken the following year, shows Orville Wright (right) and Wilbur Wright, the latter holding the flag with which a man on the ground signaled the pilot that all was well for landing.

Heir, Lost Eight Days, Is Found

After eight days of nation-wide search, police have found Kendall B. Hassard, Syracuse University student at Columbus, O. Hassard disappeared while on his way home from a fraternity party, suffering from loss of memory. He is heir to a large fortune.

ALUMINUM SOLDER

STOCKHOLM.—A new method for tinning and soldering aluminum has just been evolved by two Swedish inventors, G. M. Eklund and Harry Johansson. Through this process it is possible at a very moderate cost to solder aluminum effectively and to plate aluminum with tin, a coating sufficient to resist corrosion in ordinary household use. The invention will be of great practical value and has already attracted considerable attention among metal experts in foreign countries.

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Not in the sense of custom nor precedent, but because we are thinking of our friends in this glad season, we send out this message in the hope that it may add cheer in the household of these friends. For while we cannot be with each of you to extend a personal greeting, let us assure you that in our hearts and minds we are spending this Christmas with our friends.

Worth more than the coin of the realm or stocks or bonds or merchandise, what friends we have in the world mean most to us. And we are glad of the Christmas season as it comes to remove our thoughts from the routine of daily life and remind us of the best that life affords. So we greet you, friends of our's and say it in a way we hope will make you know we mean it—we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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1928——1929

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We have made it our purpose to build up our business as a man builds his character—by means of honest, conscientious service, fair dealing and rigid adherence to high standards of business ethics.

We greatly appreciate the good-will of our many friends; and now that it is Christmas time again we are wishing for you one and all the gladest joys of the season and the brightest prospects for the New Year.

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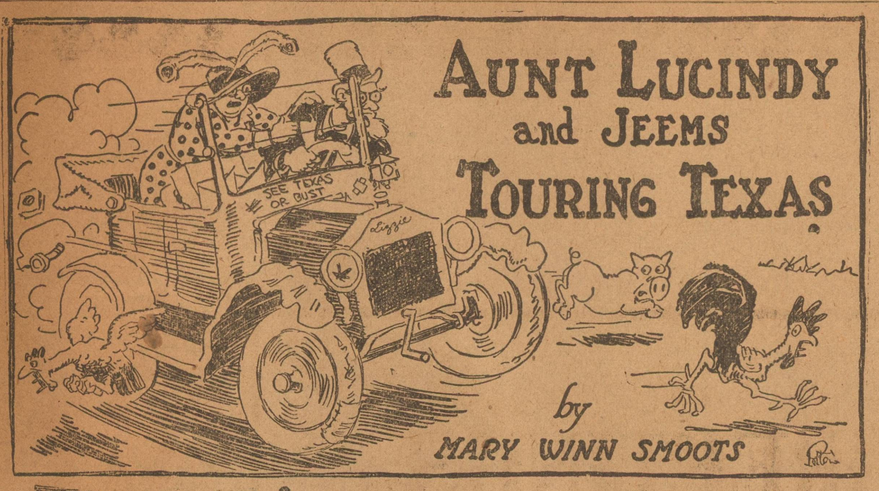

AUNT LUCINDY and JEEMS TOURING TEXAS

by MARY WINN SMOOTS

Aunt Lucindy Herself

"and ye say the obleegin and perlite mannered young feller turned out to be Charley Moore?

"Yes hit warnt nobody else but Charlie.

"Well while Ralph wuz a lookin over our busted fliver to see if she could be made to git us as fur as Possum Holler. Charley Moore he begun at onst to figger with my old man on gittin one of them new six cylinder Chevrolets which he sez has took the world by storm and which many folks has been waitin fer and which Charley Moore told my ole man wuz the onliest cyar a ile milionaire like him or to be ketched ridin in."

"Shore nuff? I reckin Charley Moore must a read in the Coon Skin Bugle about you-uns a stricking ile on yer Hog Mounting lease and the ile a bustin out so sudden like a makin ye plum rich,' suggested Safronia Higgins.

"Well, Jeems then he up and sez to Charley, sez he, "Charley, if ye kin sorter hold back one of them fine Chevrolet Landeaus and also one of them good Used Cars with a Red Tag, showin hit has been worked over plum through which I am lowin to git fer Rainwater Jones jist as soon as I kin find that thar enterprising young feller, Claude Blacklock what Bill Smith tells me is a sellin them Magnolia products right and left all over this here Ranger country and is a doin fine at it, so I kin make arrangements with him to set my nephew Rainwater Jones up in a Filling Station down yander at Possum Holler. I'll come right back here and do some train with ye in yer Chevrolet business."

"To be shore I'll hold back one of them new Chevrolets fer ye but ye ort to also git one of them fine red tag O. K. Used Cyars which is a goin like hot cakes fer Rainwater Jones will need a good Chevrolet to go back and forth from the Rainwater filling station at Possum Holler sez Charley Moore.

"I reckin ye heerd tell about my ole man a dickerin with Claude Blacklock about steein Rainwater Jones up in a fine fillin station down thar at Possum Holler, didn't ye?"

"Lawsy massy no."

"Oh yes, to be shore, if he kin git feetball and baseball outen Rainwater's head long enough to git some business sinse in that's what he lows to do."

"Rainwater Jones havin wrote to Jeems Rainwater that he warn't goin to sell nothin but Magnolia products beins he knowed them wuz the best that could be got and he wrote to Jeems Rainwater the reason he wuz so stuck on sellin Magnolia gasoline wuz fer these here reasons, which he wrote on a card:

"Easy pick up, quick geteway, full mileage, maximum power pulling sand, mud and hill climbing, extra power under abnormal load, smoother and cooler operating motor, no poisonoush compound, no undue warping of valves.

"Shore nuff?"

"Yes and all that wuz also told to my old man by Claude Blacklock hissef when Bill Smith took him thar to git a sizeable batch of that Magnolia Anti-Nox gasoline which my ole man wuz rickommended to git fer his new Ford by Bill Smith him a tellin Jeems as how that thar Magnolia Anti-Nox gasoline wuz a bein sold by Claude Blacklock to his five big filling stations a heap faster'n he kin git it hauled from Dallas in them big trucks of his'n—on count of hits poplerness—and that Jeems ort to tank up on Anti-Nox gasoline afore hit all gives out, which he done as soon as he got hisself acquainted with with Claude Blacklock who he also diskivered wuz a ole Coon Skin Crossin boy done growed up to be a big wholesale distributor of them fine Magnolia products thar in Ranger and him a furnishin five fillin stations with them Magnolia products stidy goin."

"Well! I know in my soul! Who's ever thunk when they seed Claude Blacklock a wadin in Coon Skin creek with his britches rolled up to his knees 20 years ago that he would grow up into a big fillin station feller and wholesale distributor of Magnolia products?" remarked Safronia as she expectorated in the large cuspidor.

"And jist then my ole man speaks up and givin his britches another twist and spittin right smack dab on Ralph Arnold's shoe (plum unbeknownst to Ralph and Jeems a mis-squirt to be shore oh he'd never done no sich on mannerly trick when Ralph wuz a stoopin over to examine our busted Ford; and sez Jeems Rainwater.

"Well Ralph look her over good whilst I go yander to that thar fine Speed's Bakery run by the obleegin Roy Speed which Bill Smith tells me is the biggest and busyest sanitariest bakery in this hull country and folks is plum welcome to go thar any day and see how clean hit is, and I'll see if Roy Speed (who I have knowed since he wuz a purp) has got any of them fine Honey Cream Cakes baked up; and if he has, after I eat a snack myself, I mought fetch a batch of them cakes over and set 'em up to you-uns and I'll take out a sizeable batch of 'em to them youngsters of Alviry's (all of 'em cep'n little Dan Moody who ain't got but 2 teeth, so Alviry writes me) and to be shore he can't chaw much" sez my ole man as he santered off follered by ole Tige.

"Yes sez Bill he'll have to be keerful about feedin sich to little Dan Moody fer tother day I took out a sack of them good cookies from Speed's bakery to them youngsters of our'n and gol durn if little Tommy Blanton (our leet-

Little Tommy Blanton

lest baby, who Mirandy is tryin to wean him, havin cut his stummick teeth and now workin on his eye teeth) didn't crawl right up to that sack of cookies and had one almost et up and wuz a chokin on hit afore Mirandy could git him and beat him in the back till he howled bloody murder.

"Ye hain't no business in settin them cakes down whar little Tommy Blanton could git to 'em fer ye mought a knowed he'd et 'em if he could get to 'em.

"Lawsy massy, Lucindy, how come ye never handed out yer old man a passel of them Browns Aunt Lucindy Ginger Cakes and some of them Saltine Flakes which ye say he dotes on so turrible, fer eatin with sardines and also cheeze and which ye say he fetches ye out a fresh batch of every time he sees yer cracker box empty," asked Safronia.

"Land of goodness Safrony didn't I tell ye when the fliver turned over hit busted up the basket of vittles I wuz totin and got them vittles all water sogged includin them Browns Saltine Flakes and also them other cookies which I made my old m nadrive right up to Browns thar in Dallas and git when I passed by thar and smelt 'em a cookin.

"Sore nuff? Did them good Saltine Flakes git all sogged up with water so ye couldn't eat em?"

"Shore they did but didn't I tell ye about Joe Brown (the obleegin president of the Browns Cracker Company) who I have knowed since he wuz knee high to a duck) puttin in a fresh supply of them Saltine Flakes in our fliver so's we could eat em with sardines on the tower in case we struck any sich a benighted town whar the grocery fellers warnt enterprisin enough to tote Browns Crackers and Candies in their stock?"

"Shore nuff?"

"Yes because Joe sez he never does want me and my old man to git ketched out no whars without a sizeable batch of them Saltine Flakes which beats all other crackers fer goodness in the hull wide world; and to be shore Joe never knowed he wuz goin right through sich a up to date town as Ranger, Texas, whar Adams Grocery store holds forth a totin every thing in the way of eatin vittles a body kin wish fer includin Browns goods and also the finest and freshest of meats and thats whar Mirandy had tied a red string around Bill Smith's finger that mornin to make him rickolect to fetch out a big fine beef roast sich as she allus gits at Adams Grocery to feed them horngry Baptist preachers on."

"Yes, Baptist preachers shore is strong fer good eatin," remarked Mrs. Tweekins.

"Yes, and which she knowed would come home with 'em from meetin Sunday and she wuz a lowin to also cook a fine batch of hot biscuits outen the sack of Jones Best Flour (if Bill rickolected ot fetch hit out) which that K. C. Jones Mill grinds up stiddy goin and sells hit all over that Ranger country to folks what knows good flour when they see it same as they know good chicking and stock feed sich as "Ranger Chief Laying Mash," "Ranger Chief Starting Mash" fer baby chicks, and "Ho-Maid Dairy Feed" which Mirandy feeds them cows of her'n so's to make em give rich cream and—"

"Yes, a body has to be awful keerful about what they feed their chickings and cattle," remarked Mrs. Rainwater.

"Well, my ole man told Charley Moore he shore wud come back and figger on gittin one of them new Chevrolet sixes but after he fust got them new good stout galluses he wanted to take a little santer over to Dallas and see his nephew, bein he wuz so nigh to Dallas, and also hunt up the feller he had herd was a sellin chicking farms awful cheap; but bein's his back wuz a hurtin him so turrible and also his stumick he believed some of his insides was busted from pullin and tuggin at that flivver to get hit outen the ditch and he'd have to send to one of them mail order houses to git hissef a truss. Just then Bill Smith he speaks up and sez he:

"Mr. Rainwater ye don't have to do no sich durned thing when ye kin go right yander to the Stafford drug store whar Bob Stafford is holdin forth stiddy goin a fittin and sellin them trusses, as well as all sorts of fine drugs and toilet artickles and jewelry, and right thar is whar Si Perkins from Possum Holler got hissef fitted out in a plum fine truss when he almost busted his insides out tother day a tryin to git his Chevrolet outen the ditch, which he had jist bought from the obleegin Charley Moore, and beins hit is right on my road to Adams market and grocery whar I got to take these durned aigs (after I have left about six dozen of em at Gholson cafe hit a takin about that many a day to feed them horngry borders of Jack Fleishman and most of em bein so finiky they pintedly wont eat a egg over a day old) and Jack a humorin of em and pintedly refusin to feed his boarders on them cold storage eggs and not even wantin em in his kitchen er fear they'll bust and stink up the kitchen and turn his boarders stummicks, so after I deliver Jacks eggs I got to take the rest of em and them squawkin chickings in the wagon right over to Adams Grocery (fer Mirandy would send me right back with them groceries if I wuz to fetch em out from any body elses store except Adams grocery), and swap em off fer fine groceries and fresh meat before they git all shook up or the insides all sucked outen em by yander triflin dorg ye fetched along with ye, pintin tords ole Tige, I'll haul ye right thar. And Mrs. Rainwater kin go with me and whilst she is gittin her jints greased up with some of that cure-all liniment which Mirandy allus uses on my back when I come down with lumbago, ye kin be tellin yer troubles to Bob Stafford. I'm dead sure they kin fix ye up a one of them trusses anad ye wont have ter send to no mail order house fer nuthin, gol durn it. That's whats the matter with the country today. Folks sends off to furren towns to git cheated instead of buyin their truck right at home from the fellers what they know and what pays taxes to keep up the country."

"Which is the Lord's truth but Lucindy do tell about ye a gittin yer hair bobbed and yer face all messaged up at that beauty shop which ye lowd wuz a holdin forth at Stafford's Drug Store and whar ye said all the Ranger wimmin got their selves beautied up?"

VETS FIGHT FIRE

By United Press.

REDLAND, Cal.—Col. Junius Pierce recently mobilized the emergency units of the American Legion to fight forest fires. The fires were endangering life.

YULETIDE TIME FOR GOLD BAND

At Christmas time a young man's fancies, seriously turns to love.

Proof of the statement is to be found in the marriage license record book at the county clerk's office.

The county department was kept busy Saturday writing marriage licenses for couples preparing for the nuptials.

According to the records ten licenses were issued by the county clerk and his deputies.

Marriage License

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Multiplied thousands have entered our doors during the year now drawing to a close and whether they came to spend or merely to visit or ask for information, they have been doubly welcome.

As best we can, it is our aim and desire to keep prevalent in the very atmosphere about this business the spirit of goodwill, cheer and happiness. Long ago we came to a deep and abiding appreciation of the responsibility that rests upon us and we feel thoroughly conscious of the worthiness of this business in that it has afforded us not only the means of a livelihood, but the opportunity to SERVE and to please and to fill an important link in the plan of life's activities.

MAY MULTIPLIED JOYS COME TO EACH OF YOU

Had we at our command a more expressive method of sending you our best Christmas wishes than by this medium, we would make use of it. But we trust the press that has brought you the news and messages of the past to convey to you also our heartiest greetings for a Merry Christmas filled with rare pleasures.

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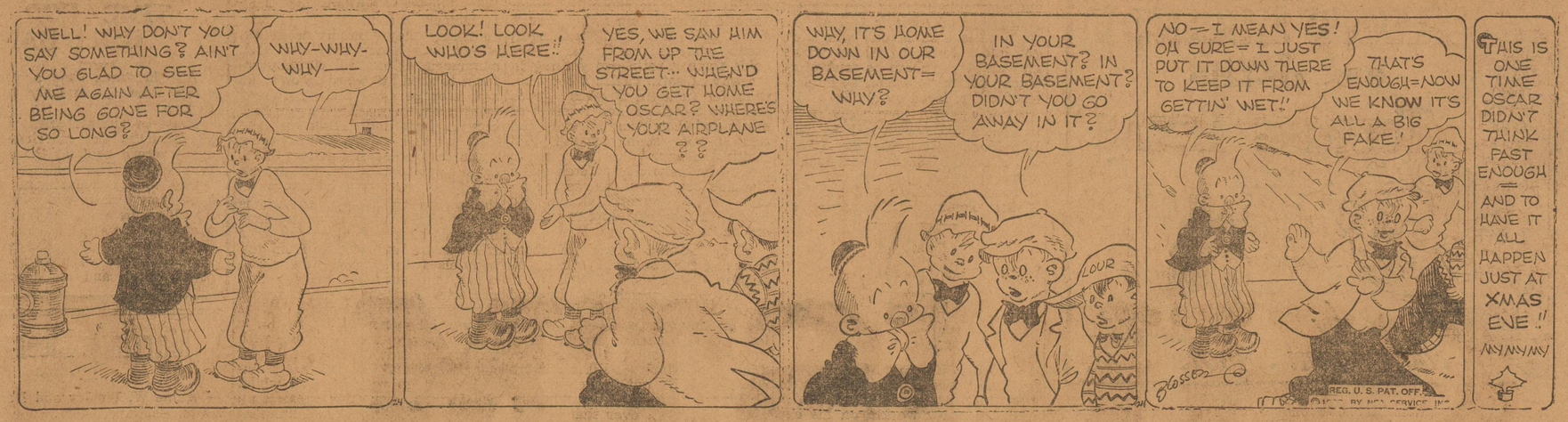
By Blosser



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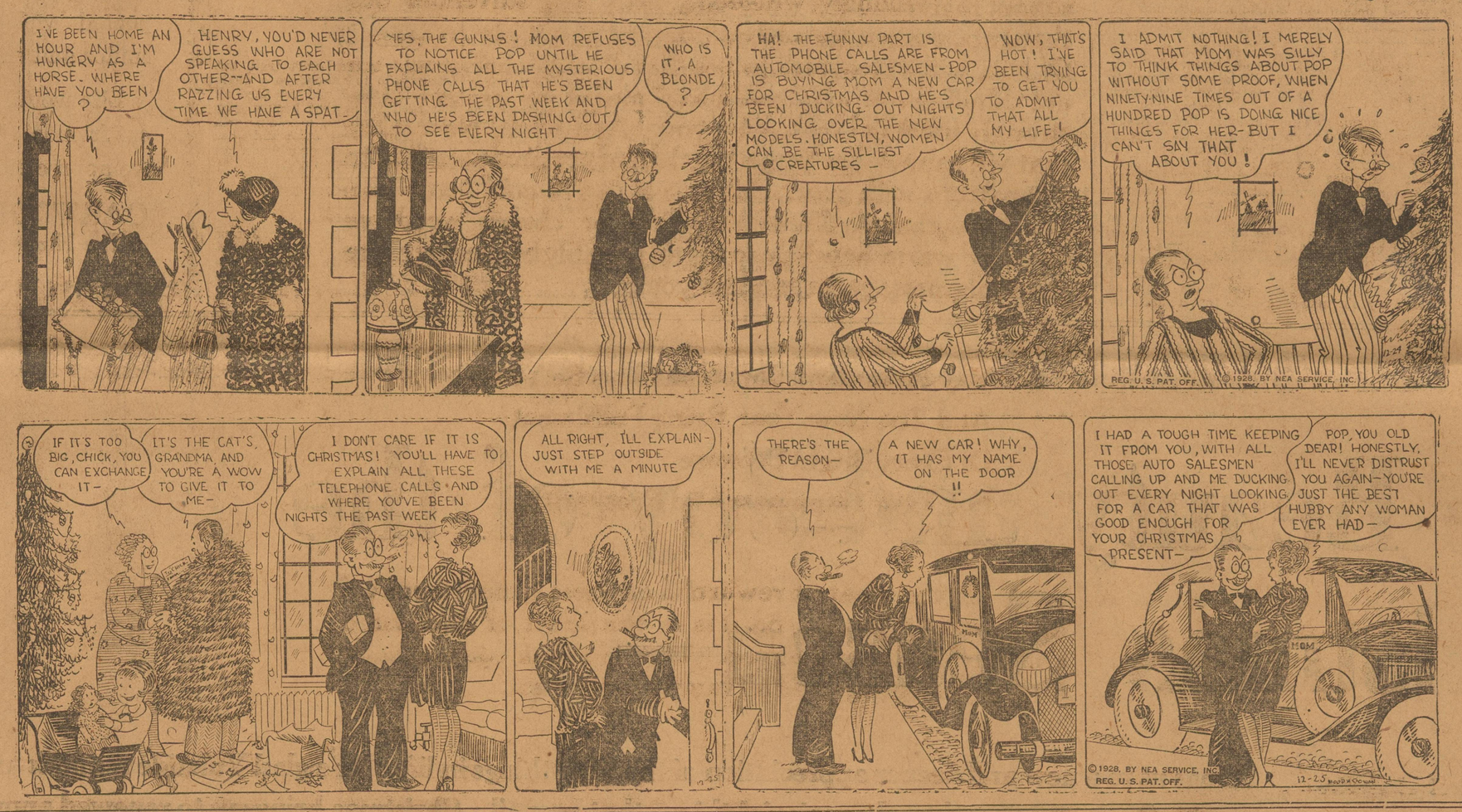
By Cowan



Snake, Monkey, Owl, Bear, Airplane Make Service Men Climb Poles

Snakes, owls, monkeys, bears, chickens, and airplanes are among the peculiar hazards which electric men contend with in keeping up service.

Marie, the pet bear of the San Angelo fire department, recently climbed a pole, and as a result a part of San Angelo's business district was without electrcity for 15 minutes while the firemen extracted the animal from the wires. She was unhurt.

Peculiar service interuptions are detailed by Texas Utility News published by the Texas Power & Light Company which has contended with everything from snakes to airplanes.

An ordinary chicken snake put the entire city of Waco in the dark recently when its body completed a short at a terminal tower near the power plant. The snake was killed instantly and the flash was seen in many parts of the city. A rat likewise paid the supreme penalty at Murphy, a small twon in Collin County, when it became inquisitive around high voltage wires.

Near Terrell last winter an airplane banked into a 60,000 volt line but the circuit was broken before the occupants were harmed. Nacogdoches was without lights for a short period one night when a great East Texas owl tried to fly between two wires o fan 11,000 volt line. Its wings spread was too great and the resulting short circuit burned one o fthe wires in two.

The lastest pecular interruption occurred at Wichita Falls, where a tiny monkey clambered over a switch structure.

Although 110 volts at times will kill a husky man, the little monkey was still alive several hours after the accident.

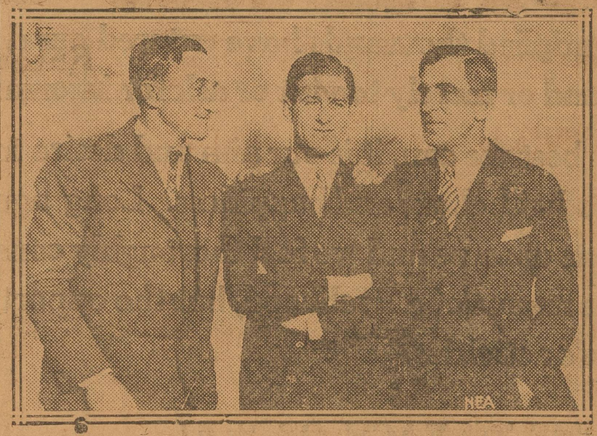
"Employees at the plant started searching for the cause of the short, but failed to find anything until J. W. Lyle, official of the company, arrived at the spot and located the tiny body crumpled up at the base of one of the switch structures.

"A group o fplant employes carried the moaning monkey into the plant office and gave the animal first aid treatment. Three of its feet were badly seared and all fur was burned off its abodmen.

"The accident occurred shortly after 8 o'clock Saturday night. When the monkey was still living more than an hour afterward, the electrical men took the accident victim to the veterinary hospital."

FALFURRIAS — Work on high tension line from here to Premont completed recently by Central Power & Light Co.

Just Trying to Get Along



When the American League magnates met at Chicago recently, these three young managers spent a great deal of their time trying to arrang a few trades. Bucky Harris, of the Tigers, and Roger Peckinpaugh, of the Indians, did make on whereby George Uhle went to the Tigers for Jackie Tavener and Kenneth Holloway. Lena Blackburne,

Loses $5,000,000 Oil Land Case

By United Press.

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 22.—Fred Turner Jr., lost his suit seeking to claim possession of oil land in Pecos county having a potential value of $5,000,000. The court of civil appeals at El Paso overruled the district court of Pecos which had ruled in favor of Turner.

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The years bring us around through the successive seasons until we have grown from childhood to maturity, but to those of us who are happy and who care for the better joys of the passing days Christmas comes each year with a pack full of glad new pleasures. May this good season find you enjoying the best times of your life.

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For the liberal patronage our friends have given us the past twelve months, for we take a pleasure in meriting and receiving the confidence and business of our neighbors and fellow citizens. But the holiday season make us feel more thankful; it makes us want to wish for all our friends and the people of our town and environs the choicest blessings that you desire for yourselves this merry Christmas time.

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May Abundant Christmas Joys Be Yours
And The New Year Bring Fulfilment
Of Every Bright Promise
For Your Happiness and Prosperity.

After all, the greatest reward in business is the friends we are enabled to make. So, it is in the spirit of friendship and good-will that we greet you and thank you cordially for your patronage and all favors of the past.

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MAIL TEAMS IN RACE TO NORTH FOR CHRISTMAS

Delivery of Alaskan Post Hazardous But Dog Sleds Win Through.

By CECIL OWEN,
United Press Staff Correspondent.

WASHINGTON.—Over a wilderness of snow, far into the Arctic circle, the United States dog mail team is winding its laborious way with the Christmas mail.

More than a month ago, the carrier and his dog team left Kotzbue, southernmost point of the 650-mile route, for Point Barrow, the "jumping off place" of the North American continent. Unless the unforeseen occurs the dog team will arrive in Point Barrow just in time for Christmas.

Delivering the Alaskan mail in winter is regarded as one of the most hazardous jobs of the postal service whose annals are crowded with reports of heroic mailmen in all parts of the United States and its possessions. Frozen snowbanks, icy winds, pitch black Arctic nights and blinding Alaskan blizzards are some of the hazards encountered on this perilous northern star route.

Service Regular.

In spite of the hardships of the route, the northbound winter man has been so regular that it is spoken of as "The Christmas Mail." The little settlement at Point Barrow is accustomed to associate the coming of Santa Claus with the arrival of the mail carrier. This is a particularly apt comparison because some of the carriers, instead of using dogs, occasionally drive a team of reindeer.

When the dog mail has failed to arrive, even if only a day or two late, then that is the chief subject of conversation in this outpost of civilization. Eskimos shake their heads and say, "Ojko-tig-eechuk," which means "trail very bad." Most of the carriers are Eskimos and are ready to go hungry themselves rather than see their dogs starved or underfed.

Soon, however, the gallant dog mail is expected to give way to the advance of progress and the drone of an airplane will replace the crunch of the dog-pulled sled. Swift flying mail planes, experimental flights have shown, can make the 18-day trip on one of the mail routes in three hours of flying time.

Still Indispensable.

For some years, until Alaska is covered with a network of railroads and the air mail is general, the dog musher and his team will continue to be indispensible on the outlying routes. On the Nenana-Oditarod route the dog teams for years have made regular weekly trips, carrying 800 pounds of mail each day with 100 pounds of additional in food, equipment, and feed for the hungry huskies. The pay is $863.63 and a round trip consumes about 35 days.

The mail service in Alaska covers a distance of more than 8,900 miles, besides the dog mail, all other conceivable types of transportation are used—including the "dog car" which is operated on an abandoned railroad running out of Nome to a mining camp. Here the enterprising Arctic circle mailman hitches his dog team to a handcar and scoots up the mountainside with the post.

The word "mush" with which the driver urges on his team through fair weather and foul is a command derived from the French word "Marchons," the cry of the early French adventurers to their dogs.

MOSCOW PLANS ART EXHIBITION FOR NEW YORK

Finest Products of Post-Revolution Paintings to Go to America.

MOSCOW.—A remarkable collection of the finest products of new post-revolutionary Russian paintings, drawings and sculptures as well as a rich array of artistic industrial goods, now are on the way to the United States, where they will be exhibited first in New York and later in other urban centers.

A million dollars, according to Soviet spokesmen here, is a modest estimate of the value of the materials sent over. Immense floor space has been rented in the new General Motors Building in New York, it is announced to accomodate the exhibition, which is scheduled to open February 1.

Similar exhibitions, though on a smaller scale, won wide public attention in Tokio, Buenos Aires and other cities. A supreme effort is apparently being made by the Soviet art and commercial organs to obtain a maximum of interesting displays for the American show.

Great hopes are entertained here that the Soviet exhibition will go far towards bringing about what is termed a "cultural rapprochment" between the United States and the Soviet Union. The hopes, of course, are in line with a heightened optimism on the whole issue of Soviet-American relations following recent contracts with the General Electric company, the Radio Corporation of America and other commercial groups.

Moscow Gatherings.

Two gatherings were held here for American and Russion journalists to discuss the forthcoming exhibition. The first was under the auspices of Mme. Olga Kameneva, head of the Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, which is in charge of the fine arts phase. The second was arranged by I. A. Poliakoff, Moscow manager of the Amtorg Trading Corporation, which is responsible for the industrial exhibits.

Poliakoff is leaving soon for the United States in connection with the exhibition. Three others going for the same purpose are Alexei Kravtchenke, who is a famous sculptor, Mrs. Kravtchenke, and Alexander Eshoukoff, representing the Cultural Relations Society.

The fine arts exhibit will consist of about 300 paintings, 500 engravings, water colors, drawings, etc., and 50 pieces of sculpture, many of them in wood. The best Russian artists will be represented by some of their best work—al lof it created since the 1917 revolution. A number of them have done special canvasses and sculptures for the American show—for instance, a painting on Prize Fighting by Deineke. A bust in wood of the half-legendary Russian leader Stenka Razin is of special interest.

Blind Boy Makes Gift for Hoover

NEA San Francisco Bureau

Herbert Hoover, president-elect, is going to have a blue and gold necktie. It is being made to order for him, but the maker will never see the tie. Kingsley Price, 11, an inmate of the California School for the Blind, started the tie on a tiny hand loom as he lay very sick in the institution's hospital. Enthusiasm over the tie hastened his convalescence.

Family Menu

BY SISTER MARY

BREAKFAST — Orange juice, cereal, cream, crisp broiled bacon, apple and corn meal pone, milk, coffee.

LUNCHEON—Cream of pea soup, croutons, egg salad sandwiches, pineapple bavarian cream, cocoa.

DINNER—Pan broiled lamb chops, twice baked potatoes, creamed carrots, orange and stuffed celery salad, bran rolls, milk, mince pie, coffee.

This time of year we often find oranges distinctly tart. When this is so a little sugar and water do much to improve the juice for breakfast. One-half teaspoon of sugar and from one to two tablespoons water can be added to the juice of one orange.

Apple and Corn Meal Pone

Two cups corn meal, 2½ cups boiling water, 2 eggs, 3 teaspoons baking powder, 2 tablespoons butter, ½ teaspoon salt, 2½ cups chopped apples, 2 tablespoons molasses.

Put corn meal into mixing bowl and add boiling water, stirring to prevent lumping. Beat until smooth and cover with a cloth. When cold add eggs well beaten, butter melted, and beat hard for several minutes. Add remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly. Pour into a buttered dripping pan and bake in a moderate oven for thirty minutes. Cut in squares and serve warm with butter.

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Christmas Greetings

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And now come the joyous holidays with all the glee and gladness; with the spirit of good-will and kindness—when everybody seems to be striving to make some one else happy. We join in this great spirit of the Yuletide season to make merry with you.

To you, our patrons, who have meant so much to us in the past year, we extend the season's best wishes with the hope that the choicest of all the delights will be yours. And we thank you, just as sincerely as we know how for your patronage and for all you have meant to this business.
We promise you now, if it is our pleasure to serve you during the New Year (and we hope we may), that we will be found each day doing our best to make it pleasant and profitable to you.