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In the sallies of badinage a polite fool shines, but in gravity he is as awkward as an elephant disporting.—Zimmerman.

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TWO HIGHWAYMEN OPERATING IN RANGER

BIG INTERESTS APPROVE POLICY OF PRESIDENT

Coolidge Believed Seeking Wall Street Support and Negro Vote.

By WALLACE BASSFORD, Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Coolidge's first message, carefully and studiously prepared after weeks of thought, has gone to the world. The Democrats have generously refrained from unfriendly criticism perhaps one reason for this was that they realized that the first aim of the message was to enable Mr. Coolidge to win his own party nomination, and in this they wish him well. He is in, has been in but a short time, and they feel that he should "have a chance for his white ally," as the boys say.

The Republicans around Washington, who, when there is pie to be distributed, turn each morning toward the White House, even as the Moslem turns toward Mecca, had greased their vocal cords and tuned their voices for a month in order to shout their approval, no matter what doctrines the president might proclaim. The people of the country generally will probably get their best cue as to just what sort of message it was from the manner in which it was received in certain quarters. It was observed that the Wall Street Journal chorled in glee when it found that everything for which it had prayed was duly set forth—reduction of the surtaxes on big incomes, continuation of the Esch-Cummings law with its guarantees and prohibitive freight rates, refusal of a bonus to the soldiers, and so on. The big interests for which the Journal always speaks were equally delighted with some of the omissions noted; while there were seven thousand words in the message, there was not one for the interests of labor.

Wants Negro Vote.
Mr. Coolidge, with a weather eye on the colored delegates from the South and the negro vote next November, strongly espoused the Dyer anti-lynching bill. This bill is worthy of profound consideration. It provides, among other things, that if five or more persons lynch another individual within any given county, that county shall be penalized to the extent of \$50,000. Bad as this is, it becomes worse when one contemplates the situation which would arise if a mob originating in one county should carry the victim across the line into another county and there hang him.

The bill is largely fostered from a feeling that political conditions demand it; Mr. Dyer has to hold the 12,000 negro votes in his St. Louis district or lose his seat in congress. The Republican party has to hold the negro vote, now rapidly slipping, or lose several states in which it practically holds the balance of power. In the recent elections in New York and Kentucky the negro divided; in New York most of them voted the Democratic ticket; in Maryland so many of them broke from the Republican party that even St. Mary's county, Republican for decades, landed in the Democratic column. Schooling and going up and down in the land is steadily bringing the negroes to a different view; their leaders are finding that the spirit of Lincoln no longer pervades the Republican party.

In fact, the eastern or reactionary end of the party has gone back to the old federalism of Hamilton, who believed that one class should rule over the others by right of birth, blood, breeding and wealth; the western or progressive wing has become to a large degree socialistic. The spirit of Lincoln had vanished before Hayes was manipulated into the presidency won by Tilden and long before Mark Hanna spent 16 millions to put McKinley in the White House; had that spirit not been in eclipse, these things could not have happened. The intelligent negro—and he is becoming numerous and is leading his brethren—is feeling this keenly and realizing that he is but a burden-bearer for the Republican bosses. Hence and wherefore the Dyer bill.

Democrats Hold New York
A year ago the Democrats swept New York state with the aid of Hearst; a few weeks ago they repeated, but this time they turned the trick with Hearst lined up on the other side. The Democrats find

Committee Of Five Senators To Probe Charges Against Mayfield

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The senate committee on privileges and elections today moved to investigate the protest filed with it against the seating of Senator Earle B. Mayfield, Texas democrat, when it appointed a committee to investigate charges against Mayfield and authorized a resolution to give it full authority to call for ballots and other evidence.

The senators appointed were: Spencer, Missouri, chairman; Ernst, Kentucky, and Green, Vermont, republicans, and King, Utah and Nelly, West Virginia, democrats.

TWO AIRMEN BURN TO DEATH AFTER CRASH

On Way From San Antonio to Dallas When Gasoline Tank Explodes.

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 19.—Capt. H. E. Sturcken, commander of the Forty-seventh school squadron, of Brooks field, and Sergt. C. E. Ryals, were burned to death Tuesday morning when their army airplane caught fire near Pendleton, Bell county, seven miles north of Temple. They were en route to Dallas on a cross-country flight from Brooks field for the purpose of buying a doll for Capt. Sturcken's little 3-year-old daughter, to present it to her as a gift from Santa Claus.

The doll had been ordered from a concern in Dallas, but had failed to arrive. Fearing congestion of the mail would delay the package, Capt. Sturcken decided to fly to Dallas to be sure of getting the present. The flyers apparently had lost their bearings and were flying low. The ship crashed into a tree top and was destroyed by fire when the gasoline tank exploded.

Four men who were observing the flight of the plane were startled to see it sway suddenly and gyrate in midair, a moment later bursting into flames and starting its fatal plunge. Upon arrival at the scene of the landing, the would be rescuers were obliged to stand by helplessly while the flames took their toll.

The bodies of both men were burned beyond recognition. The plane was reduced to a mass of blackened wreckage. Capt. Sturcken lived at New York City. Sergt. Ryals' home was at Glenwood, Ga. The bodies will be sent to San Antonio.

FIVE MEMBERS OF MOB IN OKLAHOMA MAY FACE CHARGES OF UMRDR

DUNCAN, Okla., Dec. 19.—Charges of murder probably will be filed today against five persons in connection with the slaying of Albert Berch, hotel keeper at Marlow, and Arthur Jernegan, negro porter, Monday night, according to County Attorney Sullivan. The two men were slain when Berch resisted an attempt of a mob to force the negro to leave Marlow. One man, the alleged slayer, is believed to have fled, a search for him extending over 36 hours having failed to locate him. The county attorney said that witnesses placed the blame for the slaying on this one man. The names of the probable defendants have not been divulged.

THREE YOUNG BOYS HALTED WHILE ON BROAD HIGHWAY

DALLAS, Dec. 19.—Learning the art of high finance, three boys ranging in age from 9 to 11, were placed in the county jail last week just as they were beginning to make Ponzi look like a piker.

The youths had stolen two horses and going to another section of town they traded one of the horses for two donkeys and \$3.50 extra.

Then to another man they traded one of the jacks for an old buggy and a set of harness. That same night they returned and stole the jack they had traded for the buggy. Police have everything now except one of the horses. The boys won't talk and whereabouts of the horse is unknown.

Village in Kansas Terrorized By Band of Reckless Robbers

NEFF DECLARES PROHIBITION IS HERE TO STAY

Says Amendment Was Adopted After Long Period of Thought and Effort.

DALLAS, Dec. 19.—Gov. Pat M. Neff, addressing last night a mass meeting in the Fair Park coliseum, in protest against lawlessness and especially to urge observance of laws forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor, declared he stood against any modification of the Volstead act.

"The criticism often heard that snap judgment was followed in the enactment of the prohibition law, that the national legislation was 'put over' on the people, is an error, the governor said.

"The national prohibition legislation, the amendment and the Volstead act represent the fruition of more than a hundred years of consideration of the liquor question by the American people," he continued. "This legislation is on the statute books to stay. There should be no amendment to the constitution permitting the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer. Congress should not say that beer is not an intoxicant."

MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS IS READY TO BE LADEN WITH STORE OF GIFTS

RANGER, Dec. 19.—The municipal Christmas tree was in brilliant array Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, a mere suggestion, however, of the beauty it will sparkle with on Saturday night when it is filled with ornaments and gifts.

A large number of children who have had no expectation of a gift from Santa Claus will receive one from this beautiful tree. Thursday is the great day for the presentation of "The Eternal Struggle," the beautiful Metro film which presents a remarkable picture of the northwestern country in all its beauty, an appropriate picture for this time of the year when snow and ice abound in that far country.

MEXICAN REBELS AT VERA CRUZ CLAIM TO BE GAINING HEADWAY

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 18.—Rebel headquarters today claimed a complete victory in the fighting around San Marcos. The entire state of Puebla now has surrendered to the insurgent cause, leaders of the rebellion said.

It is also claimed by the De la Huerta publicity bureau that conditions in Mexico City are very bad, President Obregon being pictured as drafting citizens into the army and trying to maintain a semblance of discipline with the opinion of the best people in the middle classes against him.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES
Samuel R. Clements and Miss Lillie Belle Greenwood, Carbon, route 1. Britton Dudley and Miss Loro Reed, Carbon.

Message From Home Breaks Reserve Of Condemned Murderer

HOUSTON, Dec. 19.—A Christmas cablegram from his home in France today broke the reserve of George Vexanet, a flyer in the French army during the war, who begged for the death penalty after killing his sweetheart here. The cablegram was handed to him as he was about to leave for the penitentiary to serve a life sentence and he broke down and wept for the first time.

Throughout his trial Vexanet asked that his folks be kept in ignorance of his crime. If he received the death penalty he wanted to sell his body and the money to be used in an effort to free a fellow prisoner and his mother was to be told he had died in a plane crash.

ELEVEN GUESTS REGISTERED AT HOTEL MISSING

Houston Firemen Searching for Victims of Big Fire There.

HOUSTON, Dec. 19.—With the known death toll at three and what is believed to be a fourth body seen in the wreckage, firemen today attacked the ruins of the Capitol hotel for additional victims of the fire.

Eleven persons registered at the hotel have not been accounted for and firemen think the bodies will be found in the debris piled 10 feet high after the second and third floors of the hotel building collapsed.

SHERIFF BARTON WINS WAY TO AND CAPTURES STILL AND MOONSHINE

Sheriff J. D. Barton and members of his force captured a still Sunday night on the Leon about midway between Eastland and the Oil Belt Power company's plant. The plant, which was not a very large one, was fired up and ready for business when the officers found it. No arrests in the case have been made yet.

The officers had slipped up close to where the still was and were waiting to see if they could catch someone around. Someone saw the party first and began throwing rocks, one of which struck the sheriff in the stomach. He answered by firing his pistol in the direction from which the rocks came. Somebody was heard running away in the dark but was not caught. The still and about 30 gallons of mash and the tank were destroyed.

ROTARIANS URGED TO BE OPTIMISTIC IN THEIR THOUGHTS AND ACTS

RANGER, Dec. 19.—Ranger Rotarians had an inspirational meeting at luncheon in the Gholson hotel today. A. Joseph made a convincing talk, brief but pointed, on the effect of optimism and pessimism. He urged optimistic thoughts, optimistic messages to achieve success, declaring that the pessimist never was able to accomplish anything really constructive.

Teams were named to handle the sale of the Ranger Rotarians' annual newspaper, which is to be issued next Saturday. The Rotarians are to start to work at 7 o'clock a. m., and the money taken in is to go to the Child Welfare work in Ranger.

MAY NOT RULE BUT CONTINUES ON PAY ROLL

King of Greece Leaves Country and His Stipend Will Follow.

ATHENS, Dec. 19.—Driven from Greece by an uprising of his subjects demanding a republic, King George and Queen Elizabeth fled today to Bucharest aboard the steamship Daphne.

George II, who succeeded his father, Constantine, to the Greek throne, remains formal king even in exile and his regular appropriation will be sent him until the national assembly decides what form of government is best for Greece. His wife is the daughter of Marie of Roumania.

The Greek sovereign may never again return to the throne, for even if the effort to form a republic is not altogether a success at this time it is likely that a new king would be chosen rather than that George be called back.

Admiral Countouris will serve as regent until the assembly decides what regime shall rule the country. It is expected that a republic will be proclaimed.

Gen. Danglis, director of the Venizelist party, has telegraphed ex-Premier Venizelos, now abroad, asking him to return and take command of the situation.

It is learned that King George cabled Venizelos Monday, asking him to return and form a cabinet, as the people had shown their desire for his leadership when they returned a moderate Venizelist majority in Sunday's elections. Venizelos, however, approving the removal of the king, did not reply.

Pending decision of the assembly, the Gonatas government continues to function.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS SAYS COOLIDGE CANNOT WIN

HOUSTON, Dec. 19.—If Calvin Coolidge is nominated by the Republicans for president, the Democrats will sweep the country in 1924.

W. G. McAdoo will be the next president in that event.

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy during President Wilson's administration, stated these opinions on a visit to Houston last week.

"If a reactionary like Coolidge opposes him, I think McAdoo will sweep every state in the West with the exception of two or three," Daniels said.

COLLIE MAY ENTER PRIMARIES AS CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT CLERK

W. B. Collie, present deputy district clerk, will be a candidate for that office in the coming Democratic primaries it is announced by his friends.

Mr. Collie was born and reared in Eastland county, having lived at Gorman, Eastland, Cisco and Ranger. He has been deputy district clerk under Roy Nunnally for some time.

FOUR PRISONERS AWAIT EXECUTION AT HUNTSVILLE

HUNTSVILLE, Dec. 19.—Four prisoners pace the confines of the death-house in the state penitentiary here, their span of life measured by the progress made on the installation of an electric chair.

Bandits Open Fire On Citizens Who Rally To Drive Off Raiders

KEATS, Kan., Dec. 19.—Robbers terrorized this village today, holding residents at bay while they looted the state bank.

Although the robbers obtained only \$2,500, they worked in a thorough and complete manner, which testified to their expertise. The village, which has a population of 100, was awakened by a blast, which blew a hole in the concrete vault of the bank.

Citizens stepped on porches of their homes and opened fire at the bandits. The robbers returned the fire, driving the citizens back into their homes. The bullets whizzed through windows and doors, forcing all to lie low until the job was done.

On account of a wire leading from the village being cut, it was not until three hours after the bandits had completed their work that Sheriff Riley was summoned.

After blasting a hole into the vault, the robbers dynamited a hole in the safe, while their confederates kept up a constant fire.

STATE OFFERS MOTIVE PROOF AGAINST FOX

Witness Testifies to Disorderly Conduct of Defendant Revealed to Coburn.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 19.—Information regarding misconduct with women by Phil Fox, Ku Klux Klan publicity agent, was given to W. S. Coburn, attorney, shortly before the latter was shot down by Fox, it was testified today in the trial of Fox for murder.

Ed Simmons, an investigator for Coburn, who was chief attorney for the Simmons faction of the Klan, declared today that he had submitted evidence that Fox had been arrested at a local hotel while in the company of Mrs. Margaret Weaver and had given other evidence of Fox's alleged misconduct.

The witness was introduced by the state to prove the motive for the crime; that Fox killed Coburn because of the damaging evidence collected against him.

Simmons revealed that spies had been placed in resorts to get information on Fox's actions. He said that he was gathering the evidence to be used by Coburn in the filing of receivership proceedings against the Klan.

"Some man told me that they got Fox and a woman out of the Cecil hotel and carried them to the police station," he testified. He said he got the number of the disorderly house and information on the raid.

He said that Dora Beatty, an inmate of the resort and another person in one of the houses, were spies for the insurgent faction in the Klan's war.

The witness told of several instances of alleged misconduct by Fox, which he reported to Coburn.

The state questioned Simmons: "Tell whether you had reported any act of immorality to Coburn?" "Yes," was Simmons' reply.

"What act of immorality was that?" he was asked. "With a woman," was the reply. "What woman?" he was asked. "The Weaver woman," he answered. "How long was this before the killing of Captain Coburn?" "About two weeks," was the reply.

COLEMAN WILL TRY EARLY MORNING MEETINGS

COLEMAN, Dec. 19.—Physicians say a man's brain functions best at breakfast time. Acting on this theory, the local Chamber of Commerce will transact a great deal of its affairs at a series of sunrise luncheons, attended by Coleman business men.

BEN REYNOLDS IS HELD UP ON HUNT STREET

Armed Bandits Seize His Ring, Watch and Cash and Make Get-Away.

RANGER, Dec. 19.—Ben Reynolds of 1105 Strawn road was robbed of his diamond ring, watch and \$65 in cash about 8:40 p. m. Tuesday in front of Morey's grocery, 435 Hunt street, according to a complaint filed at the police station last night.

Only a short time before he was held up by two armed men and told to hand over his valuables, two men, whose description tallies with that given by Reynolds' wife, who answered the knock at his house, called to see if Reynolds was in. They were told that he was not but would be home shortly.

The men left saying they had business and would see him later.

Reynolds told police that he had noticed two men watching him late in the day. The hijackers met him before he reached home.

"Stick 'em up," Reynolds was commanded. The men took the valuables and money and departed hastily.

Both men were young, Reynolds said. He did not know them and said that he didn't believe he could identify them if he saw them again.

Chief of Police O. V. Davenport was working on the case this morning. He said early this afternoon that he had no definite clues.

SCIENTISTS PROMISE GREAT REVELATIONS AT ANNUAL SESSION

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 19.—Important discoveries, far beyond the present scope of science, are to be revealed for the first time at the seventy-seventh annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science opening here Dec. 27.

Prof. Harris Hancock, of the association's Cincinnati committee, announced that revelations of vital importance to the advancement of civilization will be made in several fields of science represented in the convention.

Local members of the association, however, declined to give any advance information as to the nature of the discoveries to be announced.

The convention, meeting in 5 sections and representing practically every branch of scientific study and development, will continue through Jan. 2, 1924. The University of Cincinnati—host to the gathering—is arranging to accommodate between 2,500 and 3,000 delegates, each a leader in his own branch of science.

The association now has more than 10,000 members in good standing representing the following sciences: Mathematics, physics, chemistry, astronomy, geology, zoology, botany, anthropology, psychology, sociology, and economics, philology, engineering, medicine, agriculture and education.

BARBERS AND ARABS DOWN ELKS AND LEGION IN BASKETBALL GAMES

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—The basketball games at the American Athletic club Tuesday night resulted as follows: Elks 12, Barbers 46; Legion 5, Arabs 7. A good crowd was present to witness the contests and both games interesting and full of action.

Next Friday night the Mavericks will play the Pedagogues and the Outlaws will oppose the Politicians.

Standing of the teams:

Team	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Outlaws	2	2	0	1.000
Barbers	3	2	1	.667
Courthouse	2	1	1	.500
Arab Gas Corp.	2	1	1	.500
Pedagogues	3	2	1	.500
American Legion	3	1	2	.333
Elks	2	0	2	.000
Ark. Nat. Gas Co.	0	0	0	...

WIRE FRANCHISE GRANTED.
The Postal Telegraph-Cable company has been granted a franchise by the Eastland county commissioners' court to put up a line through the county from east to west.

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BIBLE THOUGHT.
SELF-PRAISE:—Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.—Proverbs 27: 2.

DEBTS TO U. S.
Reliable authorities practically agree that France and Italy have no intention of paying their debts to the United States or to Great Britain. Senator Borah has put into the record Secretary Mellon's letter to him on the subject, asserting that it warrants a senatorial demand on Premier Poincare for an explanation and for guarantees.

The total amount of the debt of France is now very close to four billions of dollars, while that of Italy is about two billions. The American debt commission has not made any attempt to adjust these claims, except as some of the debtors have made application.

It is claimed that the state department did not desire to disturb the diplomatic equilibrium by insisting on guarantees, but it is possible that congress will not be so tender in the bit. The people demand that taxes be reduced and the interest and sinking fund on these debts amount to enough to pay the soldiers bonus and then some.

BONUS OF TAXES
It may be said that the outspoken opposition of President Coolidge to the proposal to grant a bonus to former service men in the world war, reflected not merely the conviction of the chief executive, but the calm judgment of the great majority of the American people. The president and secretary of the treasury are emphatic in the statement that if a bonus is granted taxes cannot be reduced.

Business demands a reduction of the surtax, and the people hope for a reduction in the costs of living. Whether their hopes will be fulfilled by relieving the tax on capital is a matter that only future events will determine. The low price of wheat has not resulted in a perceptible decrease in the cost of bread.

APPELLATE COURT REVERSES CASE, RENDERING JUDGMENT

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—M. McCullough and Burkett, Orr & McCarty, attorneys for the City of Rising Star in a suit against J. M. Dill, which was tried in the Eighty-eighth district court a few months ago, have received notice from the court of civil appeals at Fort Worth, to which the case was appealed by them after a judgment had been rendered for Dill in the lower court, that the case had been reversed and rendered.

This case is a tax suit and a test case of some 50 or 100 cases being filed by the City of Rising Star to collect taxes assessed for street improvement.

Plaintiffs alleged that the City of Rising Star was not a legal corporation in that when incorporating it had not complied with the statutes governing same. They further alleged that some of the levies were illegal in that they were not made for the proper purpose. It was also contended that plaintiffs were not given the 90-day notice of the filing of the suits.

WHITE DEER ESCAPES
HUNTERS IN PENNSYLVANIA RIDGEWAY, Pa., Dec. 19.—The white deer with pink eyes still roams Elk county's forest wilderness.

The albino buck, a magnificent specimen, with a fine pair of antlers, escaped the army of hunters from all parts of the east who attempted to kill him during the 15-day hunting season, which ended Dec. 15.

Society

AND THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN RANGER

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THURSDAY EVENTS
Lions Club luncheon 12:15 o'clock Gholson hotel.
Thursday Bridge club meets at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. F. T. Branney.

MR. AND MRS. DRIENHOFER GIVE CHRISTMAS PARTY
A real Christmas party, full of genuine holiday good spirits, was given Tuesday night at the Gholson hotel when Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Drienhofer entertained for the Recreation club members and friends.

The mezzanine floor was in festive array with Christmas trees decorated with tinsel and bells, and gay festoons. The many tables prepared for the guests held place cards of Christmas greeting, to each of which was attached a tiny red Santa Claus. As soon as the guests were seated, refreshments were served, the color scheme of red and green being carried out in the plates, decorations and confection coloring.

Following the refreshments a large ring was formed by the guests, who were then called upon to tell jokes, each one responding individually and furnishing a merry half hour. Papers for a flower contest were then distributed, to each list being attached a red pencil. Nineteen questions were prepared for answer, four members of the group having nearly correct papers, and the prizes being finally awarded by drawing to Mrs. W. B. Palmer, who was given a delicate lavender needle and thimble case, and to Mr. J. A. Pitcock, who was awarded a box of handkerchiefs.

While the guests were preparing for a second game, Miss Agnes Harwood of Eastland entertained with vocal solos which were much enjoyed. Many in the party then joined together for a game of "grandmother's cat" and later two large circles were formed for "pass the ring" games. The redeeming of the forfeits in this game afforded much amusement for the rest of the party. At the close of the evening, Mrs. J. H. Moyer entertained the guests with two delightful readings which were heartily applauded.

Nearly one hundred guests were present, the invited list including Messrs. and Mmes. A. Davis, W. J. McFarland, J. A. Pitcock, S. P. Boon, W. J. Bruns, R. M. Schmuck, Barney Carter, M. R. Newham, R. M. Davenport, Fouts, W. B. Palmer, Hall Walker, J. M. Dodson, G. D. Chastain, Walter West, G. W. Bowden, L. A. Vandervoort, M. K. Collier, L. L. Neal, Gray Powell, C. D. Woods, C. G. Norton, W. J. Colegrove, F. A. Brown, Fred Dreinhofer, Jr., Howard Gholson, J. M. Gholson, A. G. Jury, Dr. and Mrs. C. O. Terrell, Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Terrell, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Shackelford, Judge and Mrs. A. E. Firmin, Judge and Mrs. W. L. Davenport, Mayor and Mrs. R. H. Hodges, Judge and Mrs. E. H. Flewellen, Mmes. George H. Bohning, J. H. Moyer, Lorraine Mitchell, Mrs. Zetherson and Miss Agnes Harwood of Eastland, Miss Ennis and Miss Overlie and Mr. Clarence Love.

METHODIST PRIMARY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.
The Christmas tree for the primary department of the Methodist Sunday school will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the church.

There will be a special program for the rest of the Sunday school at 7 o'clock Sunday night in the church. The entire program will be by the Sunday school.

PERSONALS.
Mrs. Agnes Duer Harn of 425 Walnut street, is leaving today for her former home in Waco, to spend the holidays after having spent the past summer and fall in Ranger. Mrs. Harn is well known throughout the state, a past president of the Mary West Chapter, U. D. C., and has lived under three flags.

Mrs. R. D. Bartholomew left today for Fort Worth to spend the holiday season with her mother, Mrs. Caroline Lyons of College avenue.

Christmas Cards and Gifts at Valiant's, 109 No. Austin, st., Ranger. —Advertisement.

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CREDITORS OF DEFUNCT BANK GET DIVIDEND

Receiver of Ranger First National Will Sent Out Checks.

RANGER, Dec. 19.—Payment of a dividend of 3 per cent to creditors of the First National bank of Ranger, which closed its doors on Feb. 17, 1921, has been authorized by the United States comptroller of the treasury. The dividend will total approximately \$40,000. This will make a total of 17 per cent paid to creditors in three installments, including the last one.

E. B. Cushing, receiver of the First National announced today that, while regretting that the dividend checks will not be ready for Christmas, they will be surely distributed by Jan. 20 of next year.

Cushing said that enough money had only been collected on Monday to pay the dividend and that he received word today to make the announcement.

Send Checks to Washington. The checks must be sent to the comptroller's office in Washington for verification and signature, which will require two weeks or more, Cushing said. They will then be returned and distributed to creditors.

"While it cannot be definitely stated," Cushing said in a written statement for press, "yet allowing for the usual delays of the holiday season, it is hoped that the checks will be ready for distribution about Jan. 20.

"Due notice will be given to all concerned in ample time to file their receiver's certificate. It is suggested that they await such notice before sending these certificates to the receiver."

\$1,250,000 in Deposits.
There was approximately \$1,250,000 in deposits at the First National when the doors of the big institution closed for the last time after a heavy run on the bank.

The payment of a dividend will affect all of those who have proven claims against the institution, including those who hold cashier's checks as well as those who hold certificates of deposits.

The closing of the First National shook Ranger to its roots, because of the magnitude of the deposits and the suddenness with which it came. Efforts at reorganization and reopening failed, after several months of work in that direction.

EDGE INTRODUCES BILLS TO REVISE VOLSTEAD ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Two bills to revise the Volstead act were introduced today by Senator Edge, New Jersey, Republican. The first would raise the permissible alcoholic contents of beverages from 1 1/2 to 3 per cent.

The second would relieve restrictions against issuance of prescriptions by physicians.

Want Ads Will Pay

21—LEGAL NOTICES
NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION.
The State of Texas, County of Eastland, City of Ranger, Texas. Mayor's Office, Dec. 11, 1923.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 15th day of January, 1924, within the City of Ranger, Texas, to determine if said City shall issue bonds in the amount of \$190,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing waterworks system and constructing all necessary improvements and extensions, which election was ordered by an order duly passed and adopted by the City Commission of the City of Ranger, Texas, on the 11th day of December, 1923, which is as follows:

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RANGER, Dec. 19.—Dollar Bill came to light today far away from Main street.
C. C. Morey, grocery man of 435 flint street, received Dollar Bill for change at Adams & company grocery on South Rusk street this morning. He will go for the payment of gasoline at the Bankhead Highway garage, Mrs. Morey, who called the Ranger Daily Times this morning concerning the whereabouts of Dollar Bill, said.

MEXICAN FEDERAL TROOPS RECAPTURE SAN MARQUIS

LAREDO, Dec. 19.—Dispatches from revolutionary headquarters at Vera Cruz declare that troops under President Obregon have recaptured the important railroad town of San Marquis.

After nine hours of fighting, the rebels took two machine guns, killed over 100 federalists and took 1,800 prisoners. The insurgents were commanded by General Gonzalez.

EASTLAND PERSONALS.

"Uncle" John Littleton, for many years a citizen of Eastland county, but who now lives at Abilene, was shaking hands with friends here today.

W. M. McMillan of near Carbon was here today on business.
J. H. Haynes, oil operator of DeLeon, was a business visitor in the city today.

Forest D. Wright, Cisco attorney, was in the city today on business.
Tom Haley, B. M. Collier and Dr. E. W. Collier were among visitors here today from Gorman.

Frank Tyree of the Arab Gasoline corporation leaves Thursday for his home in Charlestown, W. Va., where he will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dehorney and son, J. W., will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Hico, Texas.

George Fulkerson, assistant county auditor, has gone to Denver, Colo., where he will spend the holidays with relatives.

21—LEGAL NOTICES
1924, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Commission of the City of Ranger, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Ranger, in the sum of One Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$190,000.00), to become due and payable serially within any given number of years, but not to exceed thirty years, within the discretion of the City Commission, and bearing interest at the rate of six per centum (6 per cent) per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of purchasing waterworks system and constructing all necessary improvements and extensions thereto, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to discharge and redeem them at maturity, under authority of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, particularly Chapter 1, Title 18, Revised Statutes, 1911, as amended, and the Charter of the said City of Ranger."

"The said election shall be held at the City Hall, in the City of Ranger, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit:
John M. Gholson, E. E. Crawford, W. M. Myers, W. S. Adamson, and W. B. Palmer.

"The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, Revised Statutes, 1911, as amended, and the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and none but resident qualified property tax-paying voters of the City of Ranger, Texas, shall be allowed to vote.

"All voters who favor the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words:
"For the issuance of waterworks bonds and the levy of a tax in payment thereof."

"And those opposed to issuing the bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words:
"Against the issuance of waterworks bonds and the levy of a tax in payment thereof."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating General Elections.
A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Ranger, and attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as a proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause notices of the election to be posted at three public places in the City of Ranger, one of which shall be at the City Hall (the place herein designated for holding said election) for at least thirty days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in the Ranger Daily Times, which is a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Ranger, Texas, and which notice shall be published in said paper once each week for five weeks, the date of the first publication thereof being not less than full thirty days prior to the date of the election.

Given under my hand and seal of the City of Ranger, Texas, this 11th day of December, 1923.
R. H. HODGES,
Mayor, City of Ranger, Texas.
Attest:
C. A. LOVE,
City Secretary.

FRANK AMES ON TRIAL, POSSESSING LIQUOR CHARGED

Frank Ames of Ranger, charged with transporting spirituous, vinous and malt liquors capable of producing intoxication and for possessing spirituous, vinous and malt liquors for the purpose of sale, is on trial in the Ninety-first district court. The offense of which Ames is charged is alleged in the indictment to have been committed on or about the 21st day of last January.

MAYOR HODGES TO GIVE TALK TO LEGIONNAIRES

RANGER, Dec. 19.—Mayor R. H. Hodges and spokesmen for the various fraternal, civic and luncheon clubs of the city will give short talks tonight before Carl Barnes post of the American Legion at the Gholson hotel auditorium. A smoker and refreshments and music have been planned.

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EASTLAND PHYSICIAN SUES RAILROAD FOR ALLEGED DEBT

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—Dr. S. C. Richardson, Eastland physician and proprietor of Richardson's sanitarium in this city, filed suit in the Eighty-eighth district court, Wednesday against the Texas and Pacific railroad company for 1,608.80, alleged to be due him for services and for keeping Ed Crockett in his sanitarium.

Crockett, the plaintiff alleges, was injured in an accident on defendant's railroad and was sent to the Richardson sanitarium by authority of the railroad company for medical attention.

Crockett recently obtained judgment in the courts here against the Texas and Pacific railway company for \$10,000. The case is on appeal.

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(Continued from page one.)
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WACO PRACTICES IN RAIN; ABILENE HAS GREAT TEAM

WACO, Dec. 19.—Now that the week of the championship game with Abilene is at hand, the Waco Tigers are not waiting on the weather to clear up. Tuesday the squad motored out to Cameron field and spent the afternoon as it would have been spent had the afternoon been clear.

It was a hard afternoon for Coach Tyson sent his regulars in against the reserves and also gave the latter stiff scrimmage work. The footing was treacherous, but the Tigers, regardless of the hard rain, continued until dark.

The Tigers will be out again today for practice, regardless of the weather.

ABILENE, Dec. 19.—For the second time in many years, Coach Shotwell is preparing his men for a final game with Waco for the state interscholastic football championship. The game will be played in Dallas at the Fair Park stadium, Friday.

Abilene has the greatest high school scoring machine in the southwest for 1923, football experts say, and one of the greatest of all time. In 11 contests, the Eagles have rolled up a total of 571 points to their opponents.

Waco has the best defensive card in the state. The Tigers have not allowed an opposing team to make a single point, while they have scored 517 points.

IMMENSE STILL AT WORK UNDERGROUND IN STEPHENS COUNTY

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—T. A. Bendy has returned from Stephens county where he has been for some time working with the sheriff's department of that county. He reports the capture, the latter part of last week, of one of the biggest stills ever found in this section.

According to Mr. Bendy the plant was found about eight miles southeast of Breckenridge and was of 1,600-gallon capacity, equipped for cooking the mash underground. In fact the whole plant was underground. It was connected with gas and water lines and the cooking was done by steam heat. Trees had been set out over the spot to hide what evidence of the still might be seen from a distance. A block and tackle and a big motor truck were used to pull the plant out of the ground.

JURY IS DISMISSED
The jury in the county court at law was dismissed Tuesday by Judge J. H. Jones because of the amount of sickness among the families of the jurors and attorneys. Some cases were to be taken up Wednesday, but no jury cases are to be tried this week.

Judge E. A. Hill is out of town and there is nothing going on in the 88th district court.

Christmas Cards and Gifts at Valiant's, 109 No. Austin, st., Ranger.—Advertisement.

HIGHWAY HEADQUARTERS OF EIGHTH DISTRICT IS AGITATED AGAIN

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—Secretary Briggs of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce and Scott W. Key returned Tuesday night from Austin, where they have been before the state highway commission on matters pertaining to the recent opening of the Eighth highway district headquarters in this city.

Cisco, who is asking the commission to reopen the case and reconsider that city's application for the headquarters, also had a delegation before the commission.

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JUDGE JOHN C. TOWNES DIES AFTER OPERATION

AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—Judge John C. Townes, former dean of law and at the time of his death a professor of law in the University of Texas, died in a local infirmary at 1:45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon as the result of an attack of appendicitis. He was operated on last Thursday.

Judge Townes was born in Tusculum, Ala., on Jan 30, 1852, and

while he was a youth his parents moved to Texas, locating in Travis county, where, he grew to manhood, he was made a professor of law at the first session of the law school of the University of Texas in 1896 and became dean of law in 1905, being the first faculty member to have occupied that position. He continued in that capacity until Jan. 1 of this year, when he resigned, but continued as a professor of law and was engaged in writing a work on torts at the time of his death.

WANT ADS

0—LODGE NOTICES.
MASONIC SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION—2 to 5 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 2 to 5 p. m. Thursday. Masonic Hall. Instruction in all degrees.

2—MALE HELP WANTED.
WANTED—A young or middle aged man for yard work around poultry plant. See D. W. Maloon, residence corner Garrett and Corbin avenue, Ranger.

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22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK.
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DON'T FWET, SPARKY - MISTAH GOOGLE IS GONNA DO ALL HE CAN FO' YO - HE AIN'T GONNA LEAVE YO LOSE DAT BIG WACE - NO SUH!

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Timely Suggestions For Holiday Cakes

No Christmas in the home town is complete without attending the Christmas bazaars at the churches, candy booths in charge of the high school girls, and Christmas baskets for those less fortunate.

Many of us start months ahead to plan our gift list, then we eagerly start our embroidery and sewing. At the last minute there is always someone who has completely slipped our mind, and it is not always easy to choose a suitable gift in a hurry. Food is always acceptable—the time taken in its preparation is always appreciated and no gift can be made more Christmassy than a pretty box of cookies or a carefully wrapped fruit cake.

Timely suggestions in the way of cakes and a Christmas menu are made by Helen Harrington Downing of the home economics department, Calumet Baking Powder company, Chicago.

Christmas Menu

Oyster Soup	Crisp Crackers
Celery	Radishes
Roast Stuffed Turkey	Giblet Gravy
Cranberry Sauce	
Mashed Potatoes	Baked Squash
Asparagus	Butter Sauce
Nut Pudding	Sterling Sauce
Mince and Apple Pie	
Nougat Ice Cream	Fancy Cakes
Fruit	Nuts and Raisins
	Coffee

Orange Cream Cake

3 cups pastry flour,
3 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder.

1-2 cup butter,
1 1-4 cups granulated sugar,
Yolks of 3 eggs, well beaten,
Juice of 1 orange in cup—fill cup with water (making 1 full cup moisture.)

Rind of whole orange,
Whites of 2 eggs.

Sift flour once, then measure, add baking powder, sift three times, cream butter and sugar, add grated rind, then yolks, well beaten, now add flour and water alternately beating long and hard, lastly add the well beaten whites of eggs.

Orange Cream Filling

White of 1 large egg; juice of 1 large orange; 2 cups of confectioner's sugar. Put egg and orange juice in deep bowl, add sugar gradually,

beating long and hard until creamy and of consistency to spread. Spread on cake when cool.

Margarites

2 eggs,
1 cup of brown sugar,
2-3 cup flour,
1-4 level teaspoon Calumet baking powder,
Pinch of salt,
1 cup pecan nut meats.
Beat eggs slightly, add other ingredients in order given. Fill small buttered tins two-thirds full of mixture, and place pecan nut meat on each. Bake in moderate oven 15 minutes.

TWO ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONERS RECAPTURED

PERRY, Okla., Dec. 19.—William Tudor and Arnold Ammons of Perry, Okla., who escaped from a train near Caldwell, Kan., while en route to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, were held here today following an alleged confession as to identity.

Both were from Fort Worth. The fugitives confessed identification after being arrested by unsuspecting officers. They were under three-year sentences for stealing cigarettes from interstate commerce shipments.

EASTLAND SOCIETY

Mrs. W. K. Jackson

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THURSDAY EVENTS.

Junior Music club, hostess musical tea, honoring members' parents, music studio of Miss Nunn, South ward school, 4:15 p. m. Miss Bonita Hillyer, president.

PIANO AND EXPRESSION PUPILS IN RECITAL.

The piano and expression recital given Monday night at the city hall auditorium by pupils of Miss Mae Claire Harrison and Miss Eppie Jean Groves. The auditorium was filled and generous applause showed the appreciation of the charming program.

The recital was given by pupils in the West ward school assisted by four high school girls.

Miss Harrison and Miss Groves announced that a recital will be given later when their pupils in the high school will be presented.

The pupils presented in piano were Laura Maye Frost, Audrey Brawner, Elizabeth Day, Velma Brewer, Madge Brelsford; Velma Brewer and Welda Frost in duet; Maurine Davenport, Margaret Smith, Helen Hilton, Zella Jo Stoker, Welda Frost, Nell Caton, Ruth Bagley, Irene Richardson, Mabel Poe, Evelyn Skinner, Sadie Brewer, Wilma Beard, and Louie Barton.

Readings were given by Joyce Johnson, Sidney Henderson, Velma Rains, Lucile Brogdon, Iris Traut, Doris Johnson, Dean Turner, and Mayme Tom Matthews. A folk dance was interpreted by Doris Johnson, and a charming violin number was rendered by Everett Grisham.

The program included 29 numbers and not one of them a dull or uninteresting one.

WEST WARD P-T. A. HAS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

The Parent-Teacher association of the West ward school met Tuesday with the president, Mrs. Z. W. Outward, in the chair. The occasion was devoted to the Christmas program presented in Miss Freeman's room by the primary department. The children were very pleasing and the Christmas poems were especially delightful. There was a very large attendance of the mothers of the pupils, and several fathers were visitors.

The school room was beautifully adorned with Christmas emblems, the work of the children. An address was made by Mrs. J. B. Nunn, president of the Central P-T. A. Miss Dana Foy's room won the banner for the largest attendance of the parents of pupils.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO PRESENT TWO PLAYS

Two one-act plays will be staged at 8 o'clock Friday night by high school students under direction of Miss Eppie Jean Groves, teacher of expression. They will be given in the high school auditorium. The first play, "Dangerous experiment," will have roles taken by Miss Faye Rowe, Miss Ada Martin, Miss Amaly Gorman, Arliss Cross, James Nunn, William Sewell and Homer Mitchell.

The second play, "The show actress," will feature Miss Mayme Tom Matthews, Miss Faye Burgamy, Miss Lucille Stubbelfield, Miss Virginia Root, Alex Clark, Burt Williams and George Fields.

The benefit is for the library fund of the high school. An evening of entertainment is promised and the public is urged to attend.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

Joseph M. Weaver of the States Oil corporation is in Pittsburg, Pa., and expects to return home next Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Poe will spend Christmas on the farm of H. D. Holbrook, the father of Mrs. Poe. A big family reunion will be held in the old farm house to which 20 or more members of the family are expected. Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook hold these family reunions each Christmas.

Mrs. J. V. Conner of Breckinridge, a prominent club woman, is in Eastland today and was the noon lunch guest of Mrs. Charles F. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Schreck expect to spend Christmas with the parents

of Mrs. Schreck, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Patterson, in Independence, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Davison will entertain house guests during Christmas.

Next Sunday, December 23, is to be observed as a Golden Rule Sunday.

Mrs. M. H. Hagaman of Ranger was a guest of Mrs. B. B. Whittington, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Rucker, who were guests of the Harwoods during their stay in Eastland, left for Kansas City, Monday.

R. L. Allen, office manager of Arab Gasoline corporation, leaves the 21st for a Christmas visit in Hinton and Charleston, West Virginia.

F. L. Tyree, draftsman for the Arab Gasoline corporation, will spend the holidays in Charleston, W. Va., with his mother.

TRADES DAY PROVES VERY PLEASING TO EASTLAND MERCHANTS

EASTLAND, Dec. 19.—Trades Day was a Red Letter Day for Eastland merchants, judging from the reports they are making of the big business done.

Attracted by the many special bargains offered in all kinds of merchandise, a large crowd, principally of farmers and people from the surrounding country, gathered early in the morning and many of them remained until after the stores closed in the evening.

Although there has been considerable rain here for the last several weeks, Monday was a bright, sunny day and there was nothing to mar the pleasure of those who came to town.

Trades' Day is to be made a regular monthly affair in Eastland and is fostered by the Retail Merchants association. The date of the next Trades' Day will be announced later.

YOUNG FLAPPERS FOLLOW IN FOOTSTEPS OF ELDERLS CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—"Convert the old flapper—then corral the young ones."

This was suggested by Dr. W. E. Gratz, speaking before the annual institute council of the Epworth league of the Methodist Episcopal church here.

"We would have little trouble with flappers of the teens if we would convert the old ones. The flappers of 41, 51 and 61 should repent their religious indifference and re-establish the family tie."

EASTLAND PERSONALS

Judge E. A. Hill went to Fort Worth Monday and returned on the "Sunshine" Tuesday night.

Charles W. Ellis, for two years with the Daniels hotel at Cisco, is now with the Charlotte hotel in this city.

Secretary Briggs of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce went to Austin Sunday and returned to Eastland today.

Fred Tate of Carbon was in the city Tuesday.

Newt Lewis, farmer of the Bedford community, was here Tuesday.

Major H. S. Cole of Ranger was an Eastland visitor Monday.

Judge A. E. Firmin, Ranger lawyer, was in the city Tuesday.

W. Ross Hodges of Abilene was here Tuesday on business.

John Wilson of Carbon was among the visitors in the city Tuesday.

CONNELLEE EASTLAND—TODAY

JACQUELINE LOGAN

"SALOMY JANE"

A Paramount Picture

Comedy News

4 ACTS 4 VAUDEVILLE

Peggy Vincent Songs and Tales

Evans & Hoey Type-S-Writers

Mabel Trainor (LAYDA) The Gypsy Violinist

The Four Nightons A Study in Sculpture

Matinee 3:30
Night 7:30 and 9:30

Prices 10c, 40c, 55c

FAMILIES LACK FOOD, CLOTHING AND FUEL IN RANGER, REPORTED

RANGER, Dec. 19.—"Don't forget us while you are out shopping," was the appeal of Capt. J. W. Batson, head of the Ranger post of the Salvation Army today. With six days remaining before Christmas, the post is still short of the necessary sum in money to provide enough Christmas to go around.

There are a number of families in Ranger to whom circumstances have said: "No Christmas this year," according to Captain Batson.

Batson has found families with numerous children, lacking even fuel, clothing and food. He wants to see that Santa Claus don't overlook these folks next Tuesday, and accordingly, he has put two pots on Main street.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN EASTLAND COUNTY REPORTED

The following report of births and deaths in Eastland county have been made to the county clerk for the period from Nov. 10 to Dec. 10:

Deaths—W. J. B. O'Neal, male, Gorman; Curtis Browning, male, Desdemona; Alvin Newton Stone-wall, male, Rising Star; Julius W. Ransome, male, Rising Star.

Births—Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. A. Johnson, Strawn, boy; Jake Honea, Cisco, boy; W. C. Bankston, Ranger, boy; Sam Henry Marshall, Pioneer, girl; Thomas J. Haley, Gorman, boy; Troy Mauney, Gorman, girl; John Akers, Gorman, boy; Morris C. Klineman, Eastland, boy; John Albert Sharp, Eastland, boy; Pablo Medelin, Eastland, boy; R. F. Thomas, Cisco, boy; J. M. Salter, Cisco, girl; Eli Robertson, Cisco, girl; J. A. Clarkson, Eastland, boy; W. E. McDonald, Eastland, boy; Roy Lee Williams, Scranton, boy; Pleas Moore Ray, Scranton, girl.

ADVERTISING BOARDS ARE BARRED FROM HIGHWAYS

At a recent meeting of the Eastland county commissioners' court an order was passed prohibiting the erection of sign boards and advertising boards, etc., on the right-of-way of the Eastland county highways. Owners of such boards as are already up along the right-of-way are to be notified to remove them at once where they interfere with the work of constructing and maintaining the roads.

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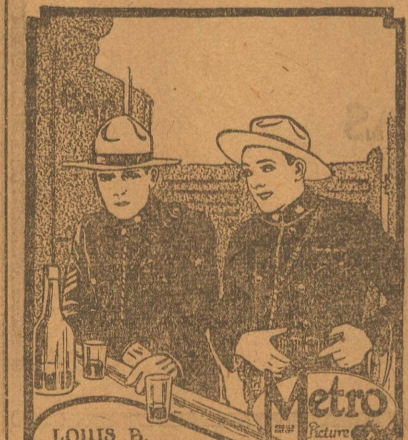
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Doll Buggies
Games
Fireworks

And lots of other things at the right price.

Connell's Variety Store
203 Main St.—Ranger

Majestic RANGER THURSDAY AFTERNOON AND NIGHT

Benefit of The Community Xmas Tree



The REGINALD BARKER PRODUCTION

The ETERNAL STRUGGLE

with

EARLE WILLIAMS

RENEE ADOREE

BARBARA LA MARR

PAT O'MALLEY

WALLACE BEERY

JOSEF SWICKARD

GIVE THAT BOY A SUIT

We have just received a new shipment of Sonny Boy Suits. These suits are high-grade materials, well tailored in snappy boy styles. Either a pretty brown or a nice stripe pattern, age 8 to 16, priced at only—
\$13.95 and \$14.95

Boys' Overcoats

\$7.95 to \$12.50

A big stock of Boys' Overcoats in several patterns to select from in ages 3 to 16. Regularly priced at \$9.50 to \$16.50, on sale for—
\$7.95 to \$12.50

Suitable Gifts for All the Family

From every part of the globe we have assembled suitable gifts for every member of the family. We advise you to select yours early before stocks are broken.

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Ranger's Foremost Department Store

Strong as the Mighty Oak Tree

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This is a strong Bank. Ample resources, careful management, close supervision make it absolutely safe for your money.

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Breakfast is the severest test of the taste of any coffee!

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Imagine the highest grade coffees that are produced in any part of the world—add to that, painstaking care in selecting and cleaning; to that add the skill and artistry in coffee roasting and blending which only long years of experience can teach. To that, add a method of packing the coffee in sealed tins that leaves no chance for the flavor to be lessened.

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