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SENTENCE SERMON
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INDICATION IS RANGER WILL CARRY ON

VOTE LIGHT BUT BOND ADVOCATES APPEAR STRONG

Opposition to Purchase of Water Works Fail to Develop Large Following.

It appeared very probable early this afternoon that the proposed bond issue of \$190,000 to enable the city of Ranger to buy, improve and operate the waterworks system would be carried by a substantial majority, although it appeared likely, too, that a comparatively light vote would be cast.

Up to 2:45 o'clock this afternoon only 367 votes had been cast, and while no count had been made, it was evident from the expressions voiced by those visiting the polls that by far the greater number of the voters favored the bond issue. Interest in the election was quickened by the circulation of handbills seeking to arouse opposition, but the handbills appeared to bring out more friends of the proposed bond issue than opponents.

There were no surface indications that partisan politics would play a hand in the election. There were political arguments in groups today, but most persons refused to take the political tinge to the discussion seriously.

Mayor R. H. Hodges, who was elected head of the city last April on a platform that included among other things, a program of progress, was down town early this morning to observe the voting progress at the city hall. He did some personal campaigning in the morning in behalf of the bond issue.

Several men were heard to remark that they wouldn't vote until afternoon, when they would vote simultaneously with their wives. The afternoon hour, they said, was more convenient for their wives to make a visit to the polls.

No one would venture a prediction as to how many votes would be cast. At the city election last spring a total of 2,082 votes were cast. The issues and personalities of the election were responsible for the large turnout of voters last April.

The results of the election today will be known within a very short time after the closing of the polls at 7 o'clock this evening, election officials said.

The first opposition to show up on the surface to the issuance of \$190,000 worth of bonds since the campaign started, was in the form of handbills, distributed between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning in the downtown district. It was headed, "To the voters of Ranger," and was signed by "A Committee of Taxpayers."

Ten questions were asked, but no answers were ventured on the handbill. The questions were so phrased that they left no doubt of the opposition of this committee to the bonds.

The first question asked was, "What is the Ranger water system worth?" Other questions asked were: "Is the Ranger water system a paying proposition now? Can the city make it a paying proposition with water at one-half the present price?"

What guarantee have we that Mr. Hagaman will not sell the Hagaman like to some private interests and leave us without a water supply, or force the city to buy it at an excessive price to protect itself?

Answers to the questions propounded in the handbills were hastily constructed by a group of men interested in seeing the city has more and better water and were printed on dodgers, which were distributed early this afternoon.

CROWDED HOUSE GREETES PLAYERS AT THE LIBERTY

A crowded house greeted the G. Bert Davis company at the Liberty theatre last night in the delightful drama, "Which One Shall I Marry?" The company is clever throughout and many of the actors won hearty applause. The specialties between the acts were especially enjoyable.

The same company will present "The New Sheriff" tonight. This is described as a comedy strictly and the "town fool" is promised to be one of the hits of the season.

Prices of Crude Oil Climbing Higher

CHASTAIN AND FLEWELLEN ARE HEARD AT RALLY

Address Meeting in Ranger on Political Issues Raised by Ku Klux Klan.

The constitutional history of the United States was traced from the beginning to the present day by Oscar Chastain, Eastland attorney, last night at a political meeting of the Ranger club in the Gholson hotel auditorium, Ranger. He spoke of the Ku Klux Klan's interference with constitutional government in the several states by perverted use of its voting power.

The incongruity of constitutional government and klan principles and practices was dwelt upon through the major part of Chastain's address. His utterances were entirely free from abusiveness.

Practically all of the chairs were occupied, and the crowd stayed to the conclusion.

Flewellen Gives Advice.

L. H. Flewellen, city judge of Ranger, was the other speaker and urged his hearers to pay their poll taxes and also see that "all believers in constitutional government" pay their poll taxes that the "klan candidates may be beaten" at the county election next summer.

He said constitutional government can only be preserved in Eastland county by the election of men and women who are not "klanish" in their beliefs.

"Klanishness," he said, "makes men boycott men in business affairs, protects those in courts who are klanishmen, but 'rubs' it in on those outside the order."

Chastain Deplores Hatreds.

Judge Chastain deplored the political fight the klan is making on a large religious element in the United States. He declared that if the fight were allowed to go on it might lead to a serious breach in the country's peace and possibly a war, if men's passions were inflamed by carefully disseminated propaganda of hate and prejudice. He said religious hatred had no place in this country, and that it belonged to the middle ages.

He charged the klan with capitalizing on religious differences and prejudices among narrow minded and ignorant people in order to win members. He said the klan was the strongest in sections were persons of the faith proscribed by the klan were the fewest, and that where opponents were more numerous, the klan organizers were not successful in getting members on a religious prejudice appeal.

Chastain had with him various papers, from which he quoted klan utterances to support his statements.

Calls Pamphlet His "Bible."

The presentation of a pamphlet, purported to have been printed and distributed by the grand cyclops of the Louisiana klan, by a klan acquaintance of Eastland to Judge Chastain with the remark that it was his "Bible" aroused the anger of the speaker. He said there was only one Bible, the teachings of Jesus Christ as reported by the Apostles, and that it was sacrilegious for anyone to refer to the teachings of an order or a human being as a Bible.

Chastain, a Baptist in faith, said the pamphlet declared the Bible should be taught in the public schools. "There certainly would be trouble in the schools if Bible teaching were attempted," he said, and he related what would happen if the members of two religions, which he called by name, should attempt to have the Bible interpreted their different ways in the classrooms.

He quoted the American Declaration of Independence that every man should have the right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. "Every man should have the right to read and study the Bible without having it colored by the beliefs of another denomination," he said. The Baptists have always stood for the separation of church and state, he declared.

Reading from the pamphlet, he said that klanishmen are instructed to be klanish towards their brothers in their social and business relations and also in politics and religion.

Howard Hughes, Oil Tool Inventor and Manufacturer, Dies

HOUSTON, Jan. 15.—Thrice within the past year death has struck down a member of the family of Rupert Hughes. With the death here late yesterday of Howard Hughes, millionaire manufacturer and brother of Rupert, the third member of the famous manufacturer's family has been taken by death within the last 12 months.

Howard Hughes was seated in his office conversing with friends when he suddenly rose from his chair as if in pain, stiffened and collapsed. Death was due to heart failure. His wife died scarcely a year ago after an operation, and several weeks ago Mrs. Rupert Hughes committed suicide by hanging herself aboard a small yacht while cruising off the coast of China.

Howard Hughes was associated with his brother, Rupert, in the Hughes Tool company, nationally known as an inventor of oil well drilling tools, which they manufactured. Funeral arrangements are awaiting word from Rupert, who is in California.

EASTLAND PLANS BIG GET-TOGETHER MEETING, ATHLETIC CLUB, TONIGHT

The stage is all set, and the plans are all made, for the big get-together meeting tonight at the Eastland Athletic club building at 8 o'clock. Those who have the meeting in charge expect one of the largest crowds ever gathered together in an Eastland audience.

The meeting is for everybody, and preparations have been made to entertain and welcome all who come. The Eastland public cannot afford to miss this important meeting.

Definite plans and arrangements will be made for the drive to be staged on next Monday, Jan. 21, to raise funds for the maintenance and upkeep of the Legion Athletic club for the coming year; and every citizen of Eastland who wants to see this drive go over the top will be on hand if possible. Come early, for you will want to get a seat close up so that you can hear the speakers and know what is going on. Ladies come too.

French to Increase Taxes In Effort to Boost Up the Franc

PARIS, France, Jan. 15.—All property taxes in France are to be raised 20 per cent and the severest measures of economy in the public service will be put into effect as a part of the cabinet plan to boost up the franc. The program also includes the readjustment of all pensions and bonuses, for which a plan is to be introduced immediately in the chamber of deputies.

THREE MEN ARRESTED IN MEDICAL COLLEGE DIPLOMA SCANDAL

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 15.—Warrants based on grand jury indictments have been served on Dr. Ralph Voigt and Dr. Dabe Alexander, of Kansas City and Dr. Robert Adcox of St. Louis, it was announced here Monday. The three physicians are charged with violating state health laws.

The physicians already were charged with obtaining money under false pretense in connection with a medical diploma issued to Harry T. Brundage, St. Louis newspaper reporter. Dr. Alexander is secretary and owner of the Kansas City College of Medicine and Surgery.

In its final report Saturday, the county grand jury declared scores of quack doctors are practicing in Kansas City, unlicensed, and urged the state medical laws be strengthened.

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PENNSYLVANIA PETROLEUM IS QUOTED RISING

Believed Forerunner of Another Boost in Mid-Continent Area.

An additional advance of 10 cents has just been posted for three grades of Pennsylvania oil, the new top price representing a total advance of \$1.15 from the low point from which the upward climb started on Dec. 15. The last advance in Pennsylvania oil was followed by increases of 25 to 40 cents for mid-continent oil by the Prairie.

Under the new prices Pennsylvania in New York, Transit and Bradford is quoted at \$3.75. Coming grade in Buckeye lines, the third grade to be advanced, is \$1.65 a barrel.

In the same period the top grades in the mid-continent have advanced an average of less than 40 cents, with one lower grade and a large part of the middle grades ranging from 25 to 40 cents. The top grade of mid-continent oil is at present \$10.10 below the price posted for it as compared with the posted prices of the Prairie Oil & Gas company on Feb. 17 of last year.

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 15.—An increase of 5 cents a barrel, bringing the price to \$1.40 a barrel, for Mexia and Corsicana crude has been announced by the Magnolia Petroleum company, effective today.

President Urged To Show Confidence In Albert B. Fall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, has been suggested to President Coolidge for appointment as ambassador from the United States to Mexico as one way to take the teeth out of the Teapot Dome scandal so far as it might affect the 1924 campaign.

Those favoring this course believe that if the president would appoint Fall as ambassador, this approval given him by the administration would convince the country that Coolidge is satisfied there was nothing about the leasing of the Teapot Dome that merited suspicion.

If the full story of the Teapot Dome lease should be disclosed it is feared it would affect the campaign and Fall's reticence about some phases of the matter are well understood. It was no fear of personal consequences that caused the former secretary to remain silent. He does not want to give testimony that he knows would be used by the anti-administration forces.

NATIONAL GUARD MOVING AWAY FROM MARION, ILL.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 15.—Two of the three national guard companies sent to Williamson county when Sheriff George Galligan appealed to Governor Small that the situation was beyond his control, were ordered to their homes today by Adjutant General Carlos Black. The third company will remain at Marion, "for the time being, at least," Adjutant Black said.

The removal of the troops followed a telegram from Sheriff Galligan, in which he said their presence was no longer needed.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX.

Pay your poll tax. This applies equally to men and women. All have until the close of the day, Jan. 31, in which to pay and obtain poll tax receipts enabling all, otherwise qualified, to vote in all elections during the ensuing year. There will be an eleventh hour rush to pay, however; there always is and is likely to be this year. Those who would avoid the rush, who do not wish to stand in line awaiting their turn, should pay their poll taxes now.

Gasoline Tax Is Paid By Retailer Only Says Court

AUSTIN, Jan. 15.—Only retailers of gasoline are subject to the payment of the 1 cent per gallon tax imposed by the last legislature, Judge George Calhoun of the 53rd district court held today in giving judgment for plaintiff in the case of the state against the Pioneer Oil & Refining company of San Antonio. The case is to be carried up to the supreme court if the appellate court affirms the district court's ruling.

Approximately \$300,000 of gasoline tax money that had been held up by the comptroller pending settlement of this suit now will be turned into the state treasury.

WILL ASK FOR DEATH SENTENCE FOR MAN INDICTED FOR ASSAULT

DALLAS, Jan. 15.—Jurors for the trial of William Hutto, indicted for criminal assault, will be asked to return a sentence of death, District Attorney Cox said today. The trial begins Wednesday before Judge Phipps. A special venire of 200 men has been summoned.

Hutto is alleged to have assaulted a 17-year-old girl on a lonely road on Nov. 20. The couple had attended a show and after the performance, Hutto rented an automobile and drove out the Hutchins road and there the attack is said to have been committed.

DAVIDSON PARDONS YOUNG MAN FOR WHOM HIS GIRL WIFE PLEADS

AUSTIN, Jan. 15.—The first and only pardon so far issued by Lieutenant Governor Davidson during the present absence of Governor Neff from the state, is tinged with romance. The young man, just past 21 years of age, was convicted of a statutory offense and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. The girl is under age. Pending an appeal to the court of criminal appeals, the young people were married, their parents assenting. Affirmance of the trial court's judgment by the higher court, left only executive clemency to keep the young man out of the penitentiary. Accompanied by his wife, he came to Austin and asked for a pardon. His young wife also pleaded for him, as did her parents. Acting Governor Davidson ordered a full pardon issued to him.

PEOPLES STATE BANK OF RANGER REELECTS ITS OFFICIAL BOARD

All of the old directors of the Peoples State bank of Ranger were re-elected at a meeting of the stockholders Monday night. The directors' meeting was held afterwards and the men who guided the bank's destiny last year were re-elected.

The officers re-elected were: O. D. Dillingham, president; J. F. Champion, vice president; C. E. May, vice president; Jno. W. Thurman, cashier. The directors are O. D. Dillingham, J. F. Champion, C. E. May, J. L. Thompson and Jno. W. Thurman.

No one was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of T. J. Holmsley, assistant cashier. Resources of the bank at the close of business, Dec. 31, 1923, according to a signed statement, was \$807,814.15. The deposits totalled \$704,566.55. The bank's capital is \$100,000.

Ten-year-old automobiles are generally considered somewhat in the light of curiosities; but with the electric truck it is a different story. Because of their simplicity of construction, practically all there is to such a truck is the storage battery and the electric motor—there are many in daily use that are already past the 10-year mark. Merchants and manufacturers the country over have many such trucks and delivery wagons in their service on short haul multi-stop routes. They require only an occasional repainting and renewal of the battery.

EIGHT KNOWN DEAD IN TEXAS REFINERY FIRE

Many Injured Following Explosion at Port Arthur Plant of Texas Company.

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Jan. 15.—With the death of Enoch Audrey this afternoon, the toll of victims in the explosion at the high pressure stills of the Texas company refinery was raised to nine. Two others are yet reported missing. Thirty injured are in the hospitals.

The list of dead and injured following the explosion of battery 38 at the high pressure still of the Texas company refinery at 2:45 o'clock Monday afternoon was placed today at eight persons known to be dead, three seriously injured and 27 less injured.

While the fire still blazed in four batteries of four stills that were damaged by the flames, workmen of the Texas company searched as best they could in the debris for the bodies of others that might have perished. None but employees were admitted to the grounds last night and no responsible official could be reached for a statement of the outcome of the search. Two men were reported missing earlier in the night and it was feared they might have been killed by the blast.

A thunderous report, the force of which was felt in the city, was followed by a terrific rush of gas suddenly released from enormous pressure, and in the same instant a sheet of blinding, withering flames shot up. After the first blast, which sent sheets of flames in every direction, the fire settled down to the battery in which it started.

WOMAN WOUNDED IN GUN BATTLE BETWEEN RUM RUNNERS AND POLICE

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 15.—Mrs. B. C. Cowan was shot and seriously wounded by stray bullets during a gun battle between a gang of rum runners and pursuing police. She was returning from a visit to a neighbor when the rum runners, followed by the police, rushed by. She dropped to her knees to escape the hail of bullets, but several found her and she was wounded in both legs. The police continued the pursuit several miles, but were outdistanced. Mrs. Cowan was removed to a hospital by a passerby.

BOY KILLED BY AUTO WHEN HE STEPS INTO PATH

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Jan. 15.—The 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Baum of this city was instantly killed at Ozona when he ran in front of an automobile late yesterday, a message from there announces. The boy was walking with his grandmother and suddenly dashed into the street in the path of the machine, the driver being unable to stop.

SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, BANK CLOSSES AFTER TWO RUNS

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Jan. 15.—The Holland Banking company, the largest state bank in Missouri outside of St. Louis and Kansas City, failed to open its doors today following two runs that occurred last week. The bank's resources are said to total about seven million dollars.

J. G. McCASKY DIES IN HOME AT PITTSBURG

EASTLAND, Jan. 15.—Word has been received here of the death of J. G. McCasky in Pittsburg, Pa., which occurred last Friday. Mr. McCasky was president of the States Oil Corporation. Joseph M. Weaver, vice president of the States Oil Corporation, has gone to Pittsburg, leaving immediately upon the receipt of the news of the death of Mr. McCasky.

JAPAN GIVEN ANOTHER HARD SHAKING UP

Heaviest Damage Probably Occurs in Section Remote From Capital.

FIFTY KILLED IN LATEST EARTHQUAKE SAYS REPORT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Fifty persons were estimated to have been killed in the earthquake which struck Tokio and Yokohama, Jefferson Caffrey, charge de affairs of the American embassy at Tokio, called the state department at 5 p. m., Japanese time today.

The damage caused the temporary suspension of railroad service, the water and electric light systems, telephonic and telegraphic communication. No Americans were reported to have been killed. The estimate of 50 dead was made by a Japanese newspaper.

TOKIO, Jan. 15.—Official announcement by the Japanese government today is that few deaths occurred in or about Yokohama as a result of the earthquake shocks of yesterday and today and that only about 200 were injured. About 600 houses were demolished in Yokohama.

Earthquake shocks of less intensity continued this morning. The records showed that the quakes this morning were only about one-third as strong as those occurring previously. The Japanese diet has been called to meet in extraordinary session to consider the situation.

Odawara Suffers. Reports reaching Tokio as to the damage by yesterday's earthquake, today gave rise to the belief that heavy losses had occurred in the Odawara section. The earthquake was felt in Tokio at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and lasted three minutes and was the heaviest since last September. Cable and inland wire communication was interrupted and all train running east out of Kodzu were stopped.

Small fires broke out in Tokio, but were quickly extinguished by the aviation bureau, which had foreseen that this might occur again and had taken measures to avert the danger.

Train Derailed. Airplane patrols today penetrated the district further away from Tokio. The Kawasaki power station was to have been demolished. The Tokaido railroad apparently had suffered heavily and several trains were derailed. Heavy damage was reported to the railroads in the Chigasaki and Hirazuka regions.

Prof. Tatsuro Haka, a noted student of seismic activities and recognized as one of the world's leading earth experts, expressed the belief that the earthquake originated in the vicinity of Tanizawa mountain in the Sagami province. He said it was probable the enormous damage had been wrought in the neighborhood of Odawara.

GEORGETOWN FLOGGING CASE CASE COMES UP IN COURT

GEORGETOWN, Texas, Jan. 15.—Charged with assault by prohibited weapon, growing out of the flogging of Albert Burleson, Glen Gufford of Taylor went on trial today in district court. Judge James R. Hamilton overruled a motion to dismiss the charge and the selection of a jury began.

DARK ALLEY METHODS, SAYS SILVER ANENT WEEKS REPORT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—In a letter to the house military affairs committee, Gray Silver, of the American farm bureau federation, today protested against the report of Secretary of War Weeks that the disposal of Muscle Shoals be considered by a small sub-committee. Silver charged such a procedure as "star chamber" and "dark alley" methods.

NEFF DENIES REPORT OF CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Governor Neff today laughed at the report that he would declare his candidacy for the democratic nomination for the presidency of the United States in a speech he is to make tonight to the Anti-Saloon league. Neff said he had no intention of announcing himself as a candidate.

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BIBLE THOUGHT.

PRAYER ANSWERED:—I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.—Psalm 34:4, 6.

ISN'T JUDGE JONES GENEROUS?

Joe H. Jones, judge of the Eastland county court-at-law, aspires to be elevated to the district court bench, seeks the seat now occupied by Judge George L. Davenport. He does not wish the support of former County Judge Starnes in his race. He says so. He wishes Judge Starnes to say nothing complimentary about him, for he declares it would hurt him.

In a communication to the press Judge Starnes said some things about Judge Jones that could hardly be classed as complimentary, so it may be assumed Judge Jones has not yet been harmed by Judge Starnes. In an open letter to the people Judge Jones declines to reply to some questions asked by Judge Starnes and declares that when the people know who has Starnes' support they will vote the other way. He says, "my opponent, Judge Davenport, is entirely welcome to Starnes' support."

That is mighty generous of Judge Jones. It is well known that Judge Starnes is preparing to move to another part of the state; before the date of the primary election Judge Starnes will be a voter in another county. Is it not kind of Judge Jones to give away the vote and support of Judge Starnes? It might be assumed that any man who is so free-handed

in giving support and votes to his opponent does not really wish election to the office he is supposed to be seeking.

Judge Starnes is not known to have offered his support to Judge Davenport. In his letter to the press he did not mention Judge Davenport. Expecting to be a voter in another county when the primary election is held, it is improbable that he has promised his vote to any candidate for an office in Eastland county. He has merely expressed sentiments that justify the gift of Judge Jones to his opponent of a vote he knows neither is likely to get.

MAGNANIMOUS INSINCERITY.

In an editorial paragraph the Eastland Oil Belt News says: "This paper is not going to indulge in any personalities, nor resort to epithets or abuse." This is an excellent sentiment and the Oil Belt News is to be commended for its good resolution.

Again the same esteemed contemporary says: "The hurling of abuse by either side will not prove anything—in fact, those who resort to such conduct admit they have a weak cause." Truly said and most admirable logic.

Had the Oil Belt News stopped there it might have gloried in both right thinking and right actions, but in the next sentence the high-minded Oil Belt News topples from its lofty pedestal and says: "Those who oppose the klan most bitterly are the fellows who have been guilty of violating the law in some way or of crooked deeds."

The Oil Belt News does not indulge in or resort to abuse? Yet in the same breath in which it voices this noble creed it charges many of the leading citizens of this county with being guilty of violating the law in some way or of crooked deeds. It charges the judges on the bench, many of the attorneys at law and a large number of people of Eastland county with having violated the law in some way or of crooked deeds.

The Oil Belt News appears to have no certain knowledge of the exact crimes committed by these men it accuses of wrong doing. If it had it could not, after promising to indulge in no personalities or abuse, consistently betray them, but in a pleasant manner it warns them that their evil intent is known to it and that their opposition to the klan

that owns it has proved them evil minded.

It is a charming act to express noble sentiments, but insincerity is not endearing, and those who fall from high ideals fall harder because they fall further. The Oil Belt News assumes a magnanimity it does not possess, for, after declaring it will indulge in no personalities or abuse, it asserts that all who oppose its master, a worldly minded organization which has reared up on its tail to shake its shaggy mane and roar defiance to all who do not fall down and worship it, are given to crooked deeds and have violated the law in some way.

It is to be regretted that the defender of the klan is so unwise as to be insincere. Those members of the klan who are honest, who are lofty minded and sincere, who wish to live at peace with their fellow citizens—and there are many of them—must blush to have such an advocate. How can they take the hand of the friend who may not be a member of the organization to which they belong, who may perhaps have opposed that organization for good reasons of his own, when the spokesman of the klan has declared that friend to be evil minded and crooked?

Having gone so far to denounce those fellows citizens on whom it fawns for support because they do not agree with its master, it is now the duty of the Oil Belt News to be more specific and carry its charges of law violations and crooked deeds to the grand jury. That is the professed purpose of the klan and the Oil Belt News is its spokesman. Much is to be expected of it. And when the community has been shaken to its foundations by the uprooting of evil, by the fall from grace and the esteem of their fellow men of all those citizens who heretofore have borne a good name but, because they oppose the klan, are really dwelling in iniquity, then the Oil Belt News may perch on the head of its shaggy headed master and loudly crow.

A small electric motor connected with a diminutive suction pump is being used in treatment of cases of diphtheria in one of the New York hospitals devoted to contagious diseases. By means of this apparatus the membranous discharges which have collected in the throat are withdrawn and the recovery of the patient is greatly facilitated.

POLITICAL LODESTAR TO BE SOUGHT BY EASTLAND COUNTY KLAN TONIGHT

CISCO, Jan. 15.—Eastland county klansmen are called to gather at a big county-wide rally at the labor temple in Cisco this evening (Tuesday), at which time Senator W. A. Hanger of Fort Worth will speak. The meeting is to open at 7 o'clock. The following notice has been sent out to Eastland county klansmen over the signature of Dr. W. F. Chase:

"A special meeting of all klansmen of Eastland county is called for Tuesday night, Jan. 15, 1924, at 7 p. m., labor temple, Cisco, Texas. "Matters of extreme importance are to become before the konclave affecting the political situation of the coming 1924 campaign. A county committee will be appointed at this meeting and every klansman should be lined up in the fight for a clean campaign. Speeches by prominent men in the state and county. Eastland klan is to naturalize a large class of aliens at this meeting. I am enclosing an application blank which I urge you to use on some friend you know to be right. Shall we depend on you? America needs men—Eastland county needs you. Will you be found true to your obligation as klansmen and an American citizen? Refreshments."

The Seneca Indian school at Wyandotte, Okla., has retired all of the gasoline motors used to run the machinery about the school and in the shops and has replaced them with electric motors.

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EASTLAND COUNTY POULTRY SHOW NEXT DECEMBER

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Eastland County Poultry Raisers' association, held in the Chamber of Commerce at Eastland Monday afternoon, it was decided to hold the next annual poultry show in Eastland on Dec. 4, 5 and 6. Walter Burton of Arlington, Texas, was chosen by the directors to act as judge at the show.

The following members of the board were present: Judge N. N. Rosenquest, Eastland, president; B. S. Dudley, Ranger, second vice president; Tom Sheppard, Cisco; Fred Sprawls, Scranton; A. H. Johnson, Eastland; C. H. Grow, Gorman; George W. Briggs, Eastland, Secretary.

The next meeting of the board of directors will be held in Cisco on March 10. Those members of the board attending the meeting here were guests of the local Rotary club at luncheon Monday at noon.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND NEVER SUSPECT IT

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview of the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and that large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Advertisement.

WANT ADS

POLITICAL Announcements

For County Superintendent Schools
MISS BEULAH SPEER

LODGE NOTICES.

Ranger Masonic Lodge No. 738, A. F. & A. M., meets Tuesday night, 7:30. Work in Master degree.
C. E. MAY, W. M.
F. E. LANGSTON, Sec.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION for all degrees tonight, 7 o'clock, Masonic Hall.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE
COOK WANTED at once. DeGroof Hotel, Ranger.

BUSINESS CHANCES
FOR SALE—Ten shares stock in Cadenhead Auto Rim Co., Inc., Birmingham, Alabama, for \$100.00. T. J. Cunningham, Eastland, Texas.

SPECIAL NOTICES.
BIICYCLE AND FIXIT SHOP—Buy a bicycle; fix anything but your pocketbook; keys fitted and duplicated. 210 Elm st., Ranger.

HOUSES FOR RENT.
FOR RENT, sale or trade, concrete house with sleeping porch and garage, Ranger Heights. Mrs. Wm. Clegg, Oil Cities Electric Co., Phone 189, Ranger.

FOR RENT—5 rooms and bath bungalow, on paved street. Call J. B. Ames, 500, Ranger.

FOUR-ROOM house for rent, furnished or unfurnished; will sell furniture; bargain. Phone 249, Ranger.

FURNISHED house for rent. 637 No. Marston st., Ranger.

APARTMENTS FOR RENT.
APARTMENTS for rent. Langston Apartment, successor to McElroy apartments. Phone 419, Ranger.

2, 3 AND 4-ROOM apartments for rent. C. E. Maddocks & Co., Ranger.

TREMONT Apartments—511 Walnut st. Phone 458, Ranger.

WANTED TO BUY.
WE BUY second-hand furniture. Ranger Furniture Exchange, 123 N. Rusk st., phone 242.

FOR SALE—Miscellaneous.

COMPLETE outfit furniture for sale, practically new; bargain at \$250.00. Inquire 1207 Desdemona blvd., Ranger.

FOR SALE—Fresh laid yard eggs, guaranteed and selected, 50c doz. Poultry Plant, corner Corbin and Garrett sts., Lackland addition, Ranger. D. W. Maloon, Mgr.

FOR SALE—1 child's bed and complete housekeeping furniture. Phone No. 122, Eastland.

FOR SALE—Singer automatic sewing machine; first-class condition. Mrs. William Clegg, phone 189, Oil Cities Electric company, Ranger.

REAL ESTATE.
FOR SALE—35 lots, three blocks Main st., Commercial addition on N. Rusk st.; suitable for residence; better investigate while the price is right. Tom Cooper, Weatherford, Texas.

HOUSES FOR SALE.
RENT, SELL OR TRADE—A 6-room frame house. John A. Davenport, Ranger.

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

WANTED—Miscellaneous
FURNITURE WANTED—Highest cash price. New and Second Hand Store, 121 No. Austin. Phone 275.
WANTED—Second-hand furniture. Wright Furniture Co., 207 S. Rusk st. Phone 154, Ranger.
SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right prices. Main Street Second-Hand Store, Marston Bldg., Ranger.

POULTRY AND PET STOCK.
YOUNG hens and pullets for roasters and fryers, 50c each. Poultry plant, corner, Corbin and Garrett sts., Lackland addition, Ranger. D. W. Maloon, Mgr.
FINEST pedigreed Brown Leghorns. Clover Leaf Farm, Route 4, Ranger.

Want Ads Will Pay

To the Owners of Gas Wells Located South and West of Eastland

Under our agreement with The Lone Star Gas Company covering sale of Residue gas to them in the Ranger-Eastland district we are in a position to deliver them additional quantities of Residue gas as soon as pipe lines can be completed. Do not be misled by people who expect to sell Residue gas—we are able to sell the Residue from your gas now. Contracts are now being made by us in the district south and west of Eastland and construction of a pipe line to handle gas from this district will be started at once. Our contract with the Lone Star Company assures producers that a large proportion of the gas will be handled and we are confident a contract with us will net the producers the highest possible revenue—A phone call to our Ranger office collect will bring our representative to see you promptly—If you are interested in the largest possible revenue from your gas, our contract will appeal to you.

Chestnut & Smith Corp.

Market Opinions Issued Daily to Jess Taylor & Co.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 15.—H. & B. Beer today wired Jess Taylor & Co. of Cisco as follows. The recent downward tendency of the market was more pronounced today as a result of the uncertainty and uneasiness over the foreign political and economic situation, due to a further sharp decline to new low levels for French exchange. Another important slump in sterling exchange and fears of labor government and labor troubles in England, where a rail strike is threatened; also the possibility of a British miners' strike over the wage question in the spring.

These developments, following in the wake of unfavorable domestic textile reports, due to the slack demand of goods and prediction for a bearish report from the census bureau tomorrow morning as to the quantity of cotton consumed by American mills last month, influenced general liquidation and a lower market.

There were numerous wires from the interior reporting a much better inquiry for specialties, such as low middling, but this character of cotton is reported very scarce, sales in consequence remaining small.

The immediate future of the market, although the foreign situation will have to be reckoned with, will likely depend at least temporarily, on tomorrow's census report as to the number of bales consumed in the United States during December, perhaps also as to the size of stocks held by American mills compared with last season on Dec. 31.

Table with columns: Open, High, Close. Rows for Jan, Mar, May, July, Oct.

Table with columns: Mon, Sat. Rows for Good ordinary, Strict good ordinary, Low middling, etc.

EASTLAND PERSONALS Geo. T. Lee, attorney of Dallas, attending to legal matters in the Eastland county courts today.

Attorney Garland Bishop of Gorman was in court here today. Judge Eugene Langford of Cisco was looking after the interests of his clients in the Eastland county courts today.

Forrest D. Wright, Cisco attorney, was here today.

Cul C. Moorman of Dallas was a business visitor in the city today.

Gib Calloway, formerly of this city, but now of Dallas, is here attending court.

Judge J. J. Butts was among those here today from Cisco.

H. L. Flewellen of Ranger was here today.

Will St. John of Cisco was a business visitor in the city today.

Attorney Tom Pitts was among those here today from Gorman.

Judge McCrea of Cisco was here today.

J. M. Parker, Gorman attorney, was among those from out of town who were present at the opening of court this morning.

J. Lee Cearley, Cisco lawyer, was here today.

Will Reese of near Carbon was in the city today.

Henry Beer J. William Barksdull C. Morgan Abrams Established 1872

Private wires to New York, Chicago and intermediate points.

H. & B. BEER COMMISSION MERCHANTS 325 Baronne St. New Orleans, La. Cotton, Stocks, Bonds, Grain, Provisions, Cotton Seed Oil, Sugar and Coffee.

Members of: New Orleans Cotton Exchange N. O. Future Brokers' Association New York Cotton Exchange New York Stock Exchange N. Y. Coffee & Sugar Exchange New York Produce Exchange Chicago Board of Trade La. Sugar & Rice Exchange Associate members of N. Y. Curb Market Association and Liverpool Cotton Association

Special attention given to the execution of orders on the above exchanges.

For information, phone, wire or Write Jess Taylor & Co. Cisco, Texas—Phone 93

A Good Thing - DON'T MISS IT. Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, "flu" and whooping cough and tickling throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gassy pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Salve, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles, and skin affections; these valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it.

OIL STOCKS

Table of oil stocks with columns: Curb Trading, 500 AAOil, 30 BorneSery, 50 BuckeyePL, etc.

BASKETBALL

Elks vs. Pedagogues Legion vs. Rising Star AMERICAN LEGION ATHLETIC CLUB

MEETING OF

All Members American Legion Athletic Club Eastland Tonight 7:30

WHEAT for STRENGTH-EAT SKINNER'S Superior MACARONI

TWO BASKETBALL GAMES TOMORROW NIGHT AT LEGION ATHLETIC CLUB

The American Legion Athletic club of Eastland is rapidly becoming the sport center of the county. A majority of the basketball teams of the county have played games here and others are scheduled for future games.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock the Elks will play the Pedagogues and the Legion will play Rising Star. Both the above promise to be good games as the Elks and the Pedagogues are on an equal standing and Rising Star has good players.

T. McDONALD, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF CISCO, DIES

CISCO, Jan. 15.—T. McDonald, 68, for 49 years a resident of Cisco, died here on the morning of the twelfth at the home of his son. His body was taken to the Bluff Creek community, near Abilene, for burial. Mr. McDonald was for many years engaged in the government service, but resigned when he suffered a stroke of paralysis some time ago. A second stroke of paralysis on the fifth of this month resulted in his death on the twelfth.

BOOTLEG "HOCH" EATS HOLES IN DRAIN PIPES

EL PASO, Jan. 15.—No more captured "hoch" shall be poured down the drain pipes in the federal building here. That is the edict of W. W. Carpenter, deputy collector of customs. The stuff has eaten holes in the pipes," Carpenter said.



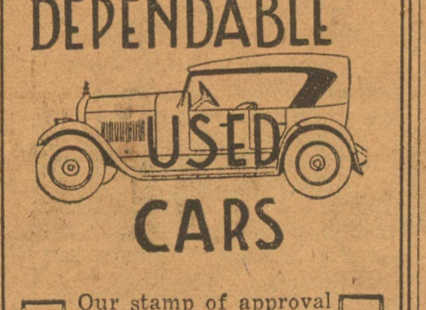
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RUM RUNNERS SHIFT OPERATIONS TO GULF COAST, WATCH KEPT

GALVESTON, Jan. 15.—Customs officials believe the notorious "rum fleet" that has been hovering off the New Jersey coast for the past several months has shifted its operations to the Texas gulf coast. Numerous seizures of small and some large boats loaded with liquor cargoes and frequent attempts to run booze ashore in small quantities have strengthened this belief.

The Muriel E. Winters, British schooner, was seized off San Luis Pass several days ago with a cargo of 3,000 cases of liquor aboard. A few days previous to that, two tugs were found anchored among the scattered keys of the pass, heavily laden with contraband booze.

Activities of numerous small craft that have been seen scurrying in and out of the harbor in the early hours of dawn are under surveillance. It is believed they are the connecting links between the rum fleet hovering off the island and booze distributors ashore.

Safe Fat Reduction

Reduce, reduce, reduce, is the slogan of all fat people. Get thin, be slim, is the cry of fashion and society. And the overfat wring their hands in mortification and helplessness; revolting at nauseating drugs, afraid of violent exercise, dreading the unwelcome and unsatisfying diet, until they hit upon the harmless Marmola Prescription and learn through it that they may safely reduce steadily and easily without one change in their mode of life, but harmlessly, secretly, and quickly reaching their ideal of figure, with a smoother skin, better appetite and health than they have ever known.

And now comes Marmola Prescription Tablets from the same famous harmless formula as the Marmola Prescription. It behooves you to learn the satisfactory, beneficial effects of this great, safe, fat reducer by giving to your druggist one dollar for a box, or sending a like amount to the Marmola Company, 4612 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Mich., with a request that they mail to you a box of Marmola Prescription Tablets.—Advertisement.

Love Made Me Blind

But before you can impress someone of the opposite sex enough to get them to share this happy state of mind with you, you certainly must keep your appearance pleasing and attractive. Pimply, blotchy, and eczemic skin seems ten times worse to strangers and new acquaintances. And even husbands, wives, parents and kin feel sorry for loved ones who suffer from such skin diseases.

The way to get rid of all these drawbacks to unbroken affection and devotion from dear ones as well as new acquaintances, is to use the wonderful Black and White Ointment. It is economically priced, in liberal packages. The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size. All dealers have it.—Adv.

LAMB THEATRE

TODAY AND TOMORROW RANGER



"The Meanest Man in the World" FIRST NATIONAL PICTURES

With Bert Lytell Bryant Washburn Blanche Sweet and big Support Also "Lucky Rube" and Fox News 10 ADMISSION 25

OIL MAN AT PIONEER IS ACCIDENTALLY CUT IN NECK

Frank Leonard, farm boss on an oil lease at Pioneer, is suffering from a knife wound in the throat. It is said the wound is not of a serious nature.

According to county authorities who investigated the matter, Leonard and another were engaged in a struggle over the knife when the latter caught his arm and in jerking it back Leonard was struck on the neck by his own knife.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Luther Campbell and Miss Luvenia Odum, Cisco. Homer Rhodes and Mrs. Ruby M. Settlemeyer, Ranger.

FIRE TRUCK PUMPER BREAKS DOWN, BUT NO ONE IS HURT

DALLAS, Jan. 15.—"Old Lady Luck" in all her potency rode the fire truck pumper from a fire station here a few nights ago. A rear axle on the powerful truck broke as it was speeding to a fire. The rear right wheel came off and the truck skidded more than 150 feet before the driver brought the truck to a stop "right side up with care." Five men were riding the wagon and managed to stay on while the truck careened down the street.

IF RHEUMATIC BEGIN ON SALTS

Says We Must Keep Feet Dry, Avoid Exposure, Eat No Sweets.

Stay off the damp ground, avoid exposure, keep feet dry, eat no sweets of any kind for a while, drink lots of water and above all take a spoonful of Jad Salts occasionally to help keep down uric acid and toxic acids.

Rheumatism is caused by poison toxins, called acids, which are generated in the bowels and absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid form the blood and cast it out in the urine. The pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly, cold weather the skin pores are closed, thus forcing the kidneys to do double work; they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate this poison, which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles, causing stiffness, soreness and pain, called rheumatism.

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is helpful to neutralize acidity, remove body waste also to stimulate the kidneys, thus helping to rid the blood of these rheumatic poisons.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism.—Advertisement.

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ADMISSION Adults 55c Children 25c

Doors Open 7 p. m. Curtain 8 p. m.

A LAUGH FOR EVERYONE

DELINQUENT TAX SUITS

The city of Desdemona filed 14 tax suits in the 91st district court Monday to collect delinquent taxes.

CONNELLEE

TODAY and TOMORROW



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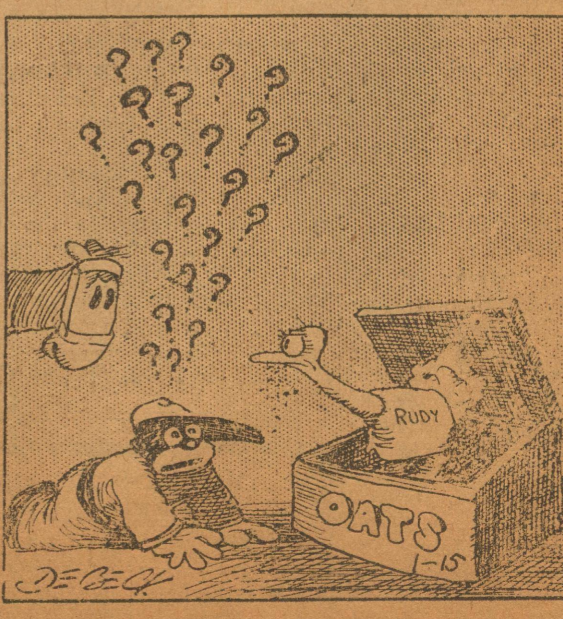
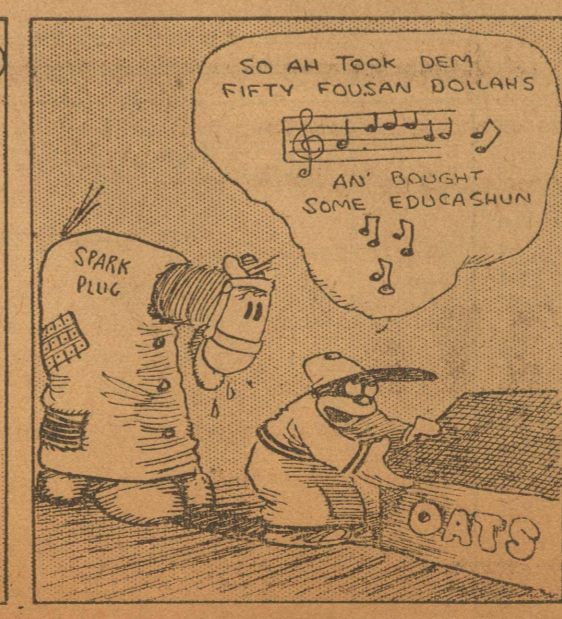
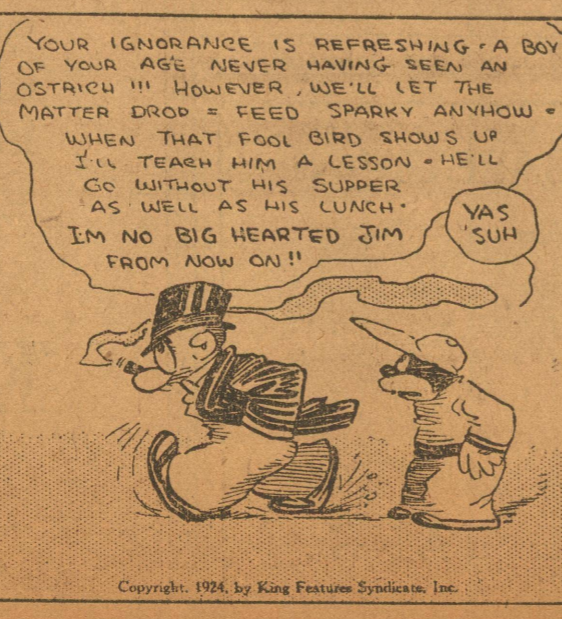
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BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG—

By Billy de Beck



THE BOSTON STORE—RANGER

JUST RECEIVED! BUCILLA Embroidery PACKAGE OUTFITS

A COMPLETE new assortment of fresh, crisp stamped pieces, each enclosed in a sealed envelope, together with a generous supply of BUCILLA Washfast Cottons sufficient to complete the embroidery, a good steel needle of the proper size, and a detailed instruction chart, which greatly simplifies the work. This all-inclusive line consists of something for each member of the family and decorative pieces for every room in the house.

FOR THE KIDDIES AND BABY

- 5111—Blue colorfast play Romper with white binding and patch pocket.....\$1.00
- 5125—Blue dotted swiss dress, sizes 6, 8, 10, and 12 years.....\$3.00
- 5140—Set of three ready-made tinted bibs of pink or blue percale.....\$1.25
- 5107—Mercerized batiste infant's dress for embroidery in white......85
- 5109—Ready-made romper of brown and white suiting.....\$1.50
- 5118—Bloomer Dress of pink crepe with maize organdie trimming, sizes 2, 4, and 6 years.....\$3.00
- 5119—Dress and Hat ready-made of orchid dotted swiss with orchid Organdie trimming, set.....\$3.00
- 5114—Maize organdie dress, ready-made, in sizes of 2, 4, and 6 years.....\$1.75

FOR THE MOTHER AND THE HOME

- 5128—Ready made pajamas of honeydew satin striped voile.....3.25
- 5152—Three-piece buffet set of cream crash, hemstitched for crochet.....\$1.10

- 5160—"Half Moon" pillow top and back. A stunning "Lilac" design on tan "BUCILLA weave" for French-knot embroidery.....\$1.25
- 5163—"Heart" boudoir pillow tinted on shadow striped batiste.....\$1.00
- 5166—Double bedspread and bolster tinted in alluring colors on shadow striped batiste, requiring only simple embroidery in pastel shades.....\$4.75



AMUSEMENT TAX PROPOSED FOR BONUS MONEY

Curtis of Kansas Would Raise Adjusted Compensation Fund From Pleasure Seekers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A proposal to increase the amusement taxes in order to raise \$77,000,000 with which to pay a soldiers' bonus was made today by Senator Curtis of Kansas, republican. Curtis has offered an amendment to the Mellon bill which would remove the tax on admissions of less than 25 cents, impose a tax of 5 cents on admissions between 5 cents and \$1, inclusive, and place a tax of 25 cents for each dollar above \$1 price of admission, affixing progressively.

The amendment provides also for an increase of 50 per cent in the tax on box tickets sold away from the box office and for cabaret and roof garden tickets.

The senate has ordered this amendment and all others attaching to the bill referred to a sub-committee of the finance committee.

Dying Bandit In Runaway Car Dashes Down the Street

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—With a mortally wounded automobile bandit at the wheel, a stolen taxicab crashed into an engine house here last night, overturned two stoves and set the station house on fire. The bandit died later in a hospital.

The bandit was shot by Patrolman Fred Posch as he was driving away in the car. Sprawled over the wheel unconscious, he was unable to guide the car which careened wildly down the street, finally striking the curb and crashing into the station. Several firemen narrowly escaped injury.

Just before he died the bandit recovered consciousness and told attendants his name was Joseph McDonald.

SUSPECT IN PRISON DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF WHITE STORE BURGLARY

A pair of trousers, a coat and vest and pair of shoes with the small clothes bearing the trade name torn out will be used as evidence against H. E. Ennis, charged with burglary in a complaint filed by J. M. White of J. M. White & Co. of Ranger.

White talked to Ennis when he was brought back from Denton, Texas, several days ago, but Ennis denied any connection with the robbery.

When arrested, Ennis was wearing the clothing afterwards taken away from him to be used as trial evidence. White said that the trademark on the shoes was removed, as was also the brand name on the inside of a pocket on a pair of trousers. The firm name on the inside pocket of his coat was also stripped, leaving only the threadings.

White declares he has evidence of sales made by Ennis, which he would try to connect with the goods he had lost.

A woman's dress valued at \$75, a traveling bag and the clothing he wore were taken away from Ennis.

White complimented L. E. Davenport, assistant chief, for his tireless work in running down the alleged thieves.

FREE CAMP GROUNDS ARE LIKELY TO BECOME NUISANCE

Something of a craze for free camp grounds for tourists has swept through the country during the past two years. However, now, the Tourists and Sportsmen's Journals appear to be unanimous against the practice of having free grounds. In these camp grounds water, toilet and cooking facilities are provided and many of them provide free fuel and it has been found that a lot of "jit-

ney tramps" come to these free places and make permanent homes while their occupants obtain jobs nearby and compete with the home labor, yet live rent and fuel free off of the community. In time the camp grounds infested with these people look like veritable shanty towns. Practically all of the authorities who study the tourist business say that a rent charge of at least \$1 per week should be made on each car and the money derived therefrom used in providing police protection and keeping the camp grounds in a sanitary condition.

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WEDNESDAY EVENTS

Rotary luncheon 12:15 o'clock at the Gholson.

Cheerful Workers of Christian church meet at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. B. F. Bennett.

Ad Libitum club meets at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. D. L. Jameson.

Wednesday Bridge club meets at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. A. L. Bergere.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY ENJOYS MISSION STUDY

Study of the work in India, under auspices of the Presbyterian church, interested the ladies of the Presbyterian auxiliary at their weekly meeting on Monday. The study class was conducted by Mrs. George Bohning.

ST. RITA'S ALTAR SOCIETY PLANS WORK

The ladies of St. Rita's Altar society met Monday afternoon at the K. of C. club rooms in the Gholson hotel for a business meeting. Mrs. F. G. Yonkers, president of the society, presided and work for the year was outlined. Those present were Mrs. F. G. Yonkers, Charles Dyer, Tom Smith, Bartholomew, Gale Smith, H. A. McLaughlin and W. N. McDonald. The meeting next Monday will be at the home of Mrs. C. A. Conley.

FIRST BAPTIST W. M. U. PLANS SPELLING MATCH

The ladies of the First Baptist W. M. U. met Monday for their usual Bible study, following which a business meeting was held and an old-fashioned spelling match arranged for, to which everyone in the city will be invited. The date will be announced later.

CENTRAL BAPTIST CIRCLES ELECT OWN OFFICERS

The newly formed circles of the Central Baptist W. M. U. met Monday in their respective localities and after a devotional meeting, elected officers for the year.

Circle one met at the home of Mrs. B. V. Bollinger with seven members and elected Mrs. W. N. Wiggins, chairman, Mrs. B. V. Bollinger, co-chairman, Mrs. E. V. Ingram, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. F. A. Oberholzer, Bible leader; Mrs. John Taylor, personal service chairman; Mrs. Mitchell, enlistment chairman. Next week's meeting will be held with Mrs. Wiggins.

Circle two met at the home of

DALLAS CONTENTS OTHER CITIES ARE BEING GIVEN PREFERENTIAL RATES

DALLAS, Jan. 15.—Witnesses were called today in the hearing conducted by the interstate commerce commission in an effort to prove that Dallas wholesale concerns were unable to meet competition from cities like St. Louis and Kansas City because of rates prejudicial to Dallas. Further hearings on this question are to be held later.

Several West Texas points, including Sweetwater, Lubbock, Plainview and Stamford, filed interventions today with the commission. It is expected the hearing will extend over two weeks.

CONSUMPTION OF COTTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Cotton consumed in December, exclusive of linters, amounted to 461,569 bales, as compared with 529,342 bales in December, 1922, the census bureau announced today. Cotton consumed in cotton growing states was 308,506 bales, compared with 325,412 bales in December, 1922.

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