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TWO HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED

PRESIDENT IS CHARGED WITH ENFORCEMENT

Group Of 'Dry' Advocates Blame Mr. Coolidge For Non-Enforcement of Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Responsibility for failure to enforce the eighteenth amendment is laid at President Coolidge's door in a report by Clemmons N. Howard of Rochester, N. Y., chairman of the twentieth district reform group of prohibition enforcement.

The report, made public as an expression of the committee's sentiment on the enforcement question, resolves: "It is up to the president or down with the constitution."

After asserting the meeting was a crisis convention, it was declared that nothing was to be gained by foolish optimism.

DEAD MAN'S NEPHEW HELD FOR MURDER

M'KINNEY, Texas, Dec. 3.—An alleged confession by John M. Rutledge, 25, has cleared up the mysterious death of Ed Rutledge, 45, bachelor farmer, whose body was found mutilated five miles east of here, Nov. 27, officers said today.

John was returned here from Oklahoma and has been in jail for a week. He is said to have confessed to tying the hands and feet of his uncle with baling wire after killing him, and then dragged the body to where it was found.

The accused man told officers where part of the money might be found. Two others are said to have been implicated by the confession, according to officers. Charges of murder have been filed against Rutledge.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—France today made overtures for reopening negotiations for settling her four billion dollar debt to the United States. Secretary of the Treasury Mellon received a note from French Ambassador Daeschner stating that word had come to him from French Finance Minister Louchoux saying that France desired an early settlement.

Mellon wrote immediately to M. Daeschner that the United States appreciated the new French cabinet's attitude and the United States was ready to reopen negotiations at any time.

FARMERS TO CO-OPERATE IN BUYING SEED POTATOES

Farmers in the Cisco trade territory are invited to attend a meeting to be held at the Cisco Chamber of Commerce rooms Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock for the purpose of pooling orders for certified seed potatoes. It is planned, if sufficient orders can be secured, to order potatoes in carload lots for seed and to place the orders as early as possible in order to be sure of getting them.

Greece Must Pay Damages to Bulgars, Nations' League Says

GENEVA, Dec. 3.—Greece is blamed for occupying Bulgarian territory during the recent difficulty with Bulgaria and held subject to the payment of 20 million levas for property damage and 10 million levas for moral and material damages, under the Rumbold report made public today by the secretary of the League of Nations.

Mrs. Burkett Obtains Divorce and Custody of Three Girls

Judge George L. Davenport of the Ninety-first district court late Wednesday afternoon, granted a decree of divorce to Mrs. Fanny N. Burkett against Joe Burkett. The petition alleged cruel treatment, and, while a formal answer was filed, there was no further contest made.

Property owned by the Burketts and the custody of the five children—three girls and two boys, the oldest a girl about 17—were not involved in the suit, the property being divided and the children awarded, the boys to Mr. Burkett and the girls to Mrs. Burkett, as per contract between the parties.

CROSSED RADIO WIRES BLAMED FOR BIG FIRE

Three Persons Missing In Council Bluffs, Iowa, Following Burning Of Hotel.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 3. Fire destroyed a block of buildings in the heart of the business district here today, doing \$500,000 damage. Three persons are missing and it is feared they burned to death in the destruction of the Grand hotel. Fire started in the Continental Furniture company store presumably from crossed radio wires.

Several companies of the Omaha fire department are here to assist the local firemen. Heroism of Milton Allen, elevator boy in the hotel, who stayed at his post even while the front of the structure was burning, probably saved the lives of many. He made trip after trip until dragged from the cage by firemen. About 146 guests were in the hotel.

STATION KUT IN RADIO IS UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, Dec. 2.—Station KUT, the University of Texas, Austin, is now an established code word of the other, since the university has been issued a permit to broadcast.

The new station was built recently and granted a franchise shortly before the Baylor-Texas game, which was broadcast. It broadcasts on a wave length of 231 meters, using 500 watts.

Musical programs, lectures, addresses and other features of popular interest will be put on the air twice weekly.

The Longhorn Band, the Glee Club of the university, and other musical organizations and musicians will be offered in recitals.

Athletic contests will also be given play by play in the future.

PIANO WITH SUSTAINING TONES IS DEMONSTRATED

A piano with sustaining tones was recently demonstrated at a concert given by the Philadelphia Orchestra. The performance of Rachmaninoff's second concert, with Lester Donahue at the piano, was the first public hearing in New York of the new device for sustaining the tone and increasing sonority. The inventor, John Mays Hammond, Jr., claims his invention retains the qualities of the piano tone while combining sonority and much of the sustaining power of the organ. A fundamental fact of the tone of the piano is that the tone diminishes immediately after being struck. This new appliance sustains the tone for many seconds and even increases in sonority or alters in quality. Mr. Hammond conceived his invention when he was building an organ in his home at Gloucester, Massachusetts. The theory of this invention is a sort of acoustic regeneration, "maintaining vibrations of the sound-board for unusual duration of time."

Old-West Cowboys Appear in Court At Trial of Pal

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 3.—Tom Bay's gun-toting pals ambled into court today to see that he gets a square deal by the law. Tom Bay is one of the last of the old western cowboy characters. He went on trial here today for the alleged killing of an Indian in a shooting duel.

The cowboy, captured by the police after a long chase, claimed the shooting was an accident during an alleged free-for-all brawl.

Tom's friends, like himself, are remnants of the old west, who came to Hollywood to play the part in western plains drama. They came to court today in picturesque old-west fashion, some of them riding in on their ponies. The modern balliff made no effort to check the unconcealed hardware at the door.

Youth Forms Plan To Hide Body of Murdered Chum

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A cunning scheme to hide the body of his victim was conceived by Gordon Pirie, the Bronx youth who killed with an axe his chum, George Nye, according to further details of his alleged confession, as given out by District Attorney McGeehan.

Pirie, 19, intended to wait until nightfall, Sunday, then carry Nye's body to the roof of the apartment house, lift it over eight dividing walls on the house top and drop it through an airshaft. This would have required more than usual physical strength, and Pirie had considered dismembering the body, McGeehan said.

Pirie's alleged plans were thwarted when Gordon's sister, Margaret, returned home unexpectedly from a visit and accidentally found the body.

APPELLATE COURT OVERRULES MOTIONS FOR REHEARING

AUSTIN, Dec. 3.—The court of criminal appeals, Wednesday, overruled motions for rehearing in the cases of Cleve Barnes, Harry Atwood and Frank Ames, all of Eastland County.

Through an error in transmitting the report from Austin yesterday these three cases were reported to have been reversed and remanded. They had been previously affirmed, and the action yesterday sealed the affirmation.

SMITH COUNTY JOINS BETTER COTTON MOVEMENT

TYLER, Dec. 3.—Smith County's joining in the better cotton movement. Farmers have decided to abandon the "half and half" cotton crop and co-operate in planting a standard grade of pedigreed seed for better staple.

Meetings are being held and pledges taken to insure maximum co-operation among cotton planters.

AMUNDSEN TO DELIVER TWO ADDRESSES IN DALLAS

DALLAS, Dec. 1.—Roald Amundsen, internationally famous Arctic and Antarctic explorer, will deliver two educational lectures in Dallas on Jan. 26, under auspices of the Dallas Salesmanship Club, it has been announced.

CAMPAIGN TO AID SALVATION ARMY BEGINS

Active Canvass In Ranger By Local Advisory Board To Be Made Next Week.

Owing to the fact that the holidays are near at hand, the local advisory board of the Salvation Army, which will campaign December 8, 9, 10 and 11 for funds to carry on the work, advises our good hearted citizens who wish to make donations that "pledges" can be made at this time for payment at any time after the new year.

"The annual home service appeal is instituted every year and donors should realize that the funds collected at this time are for the entire year's work of the Salvation Army in Ranger," said Arthur A. Richl, appeal chairman. "While there is no greater gift we can make at Christmas time than food and clothing for our more unfortunate citizens who are in need, those who wish to give to this most worthy cause may sign a pledge card and payment can be made at a future date."

"We have only two organized charities in Ranger and it isn't too much for us to make a generous donation to each of them. Business men and others sometimes find it convenient to make a pledge that calls for a few dollars a month and Salvation Army workers make the collections throughout the year."

"Every merchant or professional man who makes a donation to this worthy cause is entitled to the Army placard stating that he 'Helps the Salvation Army Help the Poor' and all persons asking charity are directed to the Army for assistance."

The local advisory board of the Salvation Army are confident that the good hearted citizens of Ranger will generously donate to this appeal and state that it is not necessary for those who want to give to wait until the days of the drive, Dec. 8, 9, 10 and 11. Donations mailed to A. A. Diehl, appeal chairman, at 211 Guaranty Bank Building, will be promptly acknowledged.

WOMAN SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 3.—A woman of vague description was hunted by police and detectives today working on a baffling murder mystery. Mrs. Mae Reynolds is being sought. She rented a shabby apartment where the body of Newt Burkland, one-time Lutheran minister and later successful oil operator and author, was found early this week, apparently the victim of a subtle poison. Only a few days before a woman giving the name of Mrs. Mae Reynolds ostensibly opened a beauty apartment. It was here that the body was found by the janitor. He is thought to have been murdered to avenge a fancied business wrong.

After retiring from the ministry, Burkland spent four years in the Arctic, having, then operated in Texas oil fields and has written two novels.

DR. AND MRS. HAWKINS COME TO MAKE HOME IN RANGER

DR. J. R. Hawkins, who has come to Ranger from Brown Augua Dulce, Texas, and Mrs. Hawkins are making their home temporarily with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Speed, 603 Spring road. Mrs. Speed and Mrs. Hawkins are sisters. Dr. Hawkins has opened his office in the Guaranty bank building, rooms 315-317.

BAPTISTS IN CONVENTION AT MINERAL WELLS

MINERAL WELLS, Dec. 3.—The Baptist General Convention, in session here this week, is discussing the construction of more hospitals in Texas. There are already \$5,000,000 worth of Baptist hospitals in Texas, but there is a need for at least two more to serve South Texas. They will be built at San Antonio and McAllen, Texas, according to present plans.

Baptist colleges in Texas have an investment of \$10,000,000, it is said. Interest in furthering the usefulness of Baptist institutions will be discussed by the presidents of the eleven institutions and other educators.

Premier Briand Obtains Approval of Financial Program

PARIS, Dec. 3.—After having gained in the chamber of deputies a vote of confidence by sheer force of his personality, Premier Briand before noon today succeeded, by a vote of 257 to 229, in obtaining passage in the chamber of the cabinet's financial program.

The vote came after a trying night of fighting.

Rosendahl Tells His Story of the Shenandoah's Wreck

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The oft-told story of the crash of the dirigible Shenandoah on the morning of Sept. 2 was told again before the Mitchell court today by Lieut. Commander C. G. Rosendahl of Texas, senior surviving officer of the wreck, who was placed on the witness stand by the army prosecution to refute Colonel Mitchell's charges of criminal negligence. He went over the fatal trip, step by step.

"The ship was destroyed by the aerodynamic stress imposed on it by the vertical forces of the land squall it encountered and the gas bags had nothing to do with it," said Rosendahl in contradiction of every other theory advanced by Mitchell and others to account for the wreck.

Lions Will Give Christmas Gifts Through Others

The Ranger Lions club will not have its annual Christmas tree this year but will co-operate with the city's two principal charitable organizations, the Salvation Army and Child's Welfare Association in the dispensation of Christmas charities. Such was the decision arrived at Thursday after much discussion regarding the best way to avoid duplicating, give consideration to all deserving cases and accomplish the most possible in keeping with the gift season and the Christmas spirit.

The club voted to give \$25 to each of these two organizations out of its regular funds, leaving each member free to dispense gifts and charities in any manner he may see fit. The civic advantage of a community Christmas tree were pointed out by numerous members and it was with obvious reluctance that the club abandoned its practice of placing a tree on the city's streets. However, the larger consideration of making all charities reach as far and continue as long as possible, finally prevailed and the vote to make the contribution out of the club's funds, was practically unanimous.

In addition to this, the club gave its moral support by a unanimous vote, to the Salvation Army drive pending, which, it was expected is entirely aside from the Christmas charities movement. The appeal in behalf of the club was made by Judge A. A. Diehl, city attorney of Ranger, who is at the head of the drive. Judge Diehl pointed out that the army had rendered aid to an average of two cases a day for the past year in Ranger, averaging \$5.65 dispensed to each case, had served 218 meals, given away 489 garments, 161 pairs of shoes, 124 Christmas baskets and served Christmas dinners to 104 people aside from the other free meals served. It was also pointed out that Ranger is one of the 16 cities in the Dallas division and its work was shown to have ranked high among the salvation armies of the district, it being pointed out that the army in Ranger functions under the auspices of a citizen's committee having oversight of the dispensations of all funds. The dates fixed for the army drive are December 8, 9, 10 and 11.

DENISON WOMAN WANTS SHRINER FOR HUSBAND

DENISON, Dec. 1.—Some Dallas Shriners are expected to step up and take the offer of a Denison woman, identity unknown, who has made application to the potentate of Hella Temple, Dallas, for a Shriner husband.

The lady doesn't mention her age in the letter to the potentate, but says that she is a brunette and that the applicant must have at least \$1,000 and must have crossed the burning sands.

It was posted on the bulletin board but there has been no unusual rush to take the offer, it is said.

PHILOSOPHY CLUB IS FORMED AT UNIVERSITY

AUSTIN, Dec. 3.—A philosophy club, comprising an initial enrollment of seventeen students and three instructors, has been formed at the University of Texas to study philosophical problems. Regular meetings will be held and members will alternate in their discussions of various questions.

Two Automobiles Stolen in Eastland Wednesday Night

TWO AUTOMOBILES 14 P. M.—The following cars were reported stolen in Eastland last night: Ford touring, 1925 model, engine number given as 12178523 and highway number as 865-177. Car belonged to J. H. Magness Jr. Ford roadster, 1924 model, engine number given as 877021, highway number given as 209-229. Car belonged to L. C. Walker of Breckenridge.

A Ford coupe belonging to Dean Beard of Eastland and stolen about 60 days ago, was located yesterday in a pasture about four miles south of Eastland and had been stripped of all accessories that could be gotten off.

Dr. Jackson of Carbon reported the theft of a kit of surgical instruments from his car at Carbon last night.

NORRIS GETS REBUFF FROM CONVENTION

FT. WORTH PASTOR WANTS MESSAGES OF HIS CHURCH SEATED; REFUSAL PROBABLE.

MINERAL WELLS, Dec. 3.—Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist church of Fort Worth, made his expected demand today that the 12 messengers of his church be recognized by the Baptists meeting here in general state convention, and met with a rebuff, as was also expected. Norris was referred to the credentials committee, which will pass on the credentials of all delegates, and it is expected the committee will also refuse.

Rev. Mr. Norris, "stormy petrel" of the Texas Baptists, will deliver an address here daily from noon until 1 o'clock at the First Methodist church.

An enormous crowd is attending the convention and the auditorium, which has a seating capacity of 4,500, is being crowded to overflowing.

KNOX CITY MAN IS WOUNDED BY COMPANION

DEL RIO, Dec. 3.—William M. Heyer, 29, of Houston, is being held in jail here today in connection with an assault on Ed A. Taylor of Knox City last night. He is said to have confessed to the district attorney.

The attack occurred 30 miles west of Del Rio and Taylor is suffering with five wounds on the head inflicted with an axe. The two men were painters traveling together. Officers say they believed robbery to have been the motive.

ENGLISH EGYPTOLOGIST DISPUTES GERMAN CLAIM

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Commenting on the claim by Dr. Grimme, Professor of Egyptology at Munich University, Berlin that he had discovered an inscription confirming Moses' reported rescue from the bullrushes, Sir Flinders Petrie the English Egyptologist declared the signs Dr. Grimme "deciphered" "are due to the mere weathering of the tones."

"In short," said Sir Flinders "the fact seems to be that many of the signs Dr. Grimme says he has read, exist only in his imagination. I do not think that we can take Dr. Grimme's claims at all seriously."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS LOOKING TO DISARMAMENT

GENEVA, Dec. 3.—The League of Nations today began its first work looking toward the disarmament conference, probably let in 1929. This step consisted of a meeting of the league council on disarmament, composed of delegates from France, Italy, Japan, Spain, Brazil, Uruguay, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, with Paul Boncour of France presiding.

HAL MOSELY AND JOHN CAGE ARE CHOSEN

Former Is Engineer Of Dallas, Latter Banker Of Stephenville.

AUSTIN, Dec. 3.—Hal Moseley of Dallas has been named chairman and John Cage of Stephenville a member of the Texas state highway commission. The appointments were announced by Governor Ferguson this afternoon and they were to be sworn in later today.

Moseley is a graduate of the Texas A. & M. college and has been city engineer of Dallas for the last three years. Cage is a banker at Stephenville.

Consideration of available material for replacing two resigned highway commissioners occupied the time of Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson and former Gov. James E. Ferguson, her husband, this morning. Judge Arch Allen of Dallas, John Cage of Stephenville and James H. Bickett, the latter the only remaining member of the highway commission, were in conference in the executive mansion for nearly two hours. Finally when Judge Allen emerged he announced he had declined to accept an appointment to become a member of the governor's official family for business reasons.

It was believed that Cage was still under consideration at noon. Capt. B. J. Wilson, chief engineer of the United States bureau of public roads, and W. J. O'Leary, of the federal road aid fund, were among other conferees in the governor's office. They were accompanied by A. R. Losh, government engineer at Fort Worth.

Governor Ferguson received the federal officials very cordially and was also introduced to a number of newspaper men who had recently arrived. The governor's face appeared grim when told some of her callers were newspaper men, but was reminded that representatives of the press from all parts of the country are arriving daily.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 3.—Pressure is said to be increasing on Gov. Edward Jackson to call a special session of the Indiana legislature to investigate the state highway commission. John D. Williams and Earl Crawford, highway commissioners, and three others are under indictment on charges of conspiracy to embezzle commission property. They have been under indictment for several months.

Considerable dissatisfaction has been expressed by legislative delegations at the delay in pushing the charges. It is promised the men will be arraigned for trial early in 1926.

Eastland County Free From Quarantine

Frank Parker of Eastland county, cattle inspector for the Texas live stock sanitary commission, said today that the northeast corner of Eastland county, which has been under quarantine for fever ticks, not having been released when other portions of the county were cleared about one year ago, now has been released from quarantine, which releases all of Eastland county and stock pens in Ranger and Eastland.

PINCHOT EXPECTED TO MOVE IN COAL SITUATION

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 3.—Resting quietly at his home here, following his return from Philadelphia where he conferred with Governor Pinchot in an effort to reach an agreement in the anthracite coal strike, President John L. Lewis said the next move awaited action by Pinchot.

"The mine workers have done their part by accepting Pinchot's plan. Nothing can be done until the last of the week when the governor returns to Harrisburg," he said. Lewis said he would return to Philadelphia early next week.

CHAPMAN AWAITS DECISION OF COURT ON HIS FATE

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 3.—Gerald Chapman sat in his solitary cell at Weatherfield state prison here today awaiting the decision of Federal Judge E. S. Thomas on his application for a writ of habeas corpus.

If Judge Thomas decides against Chapman the fight will be carried to the United States court of circuit appeals and possibly to the supreme court, it was said.

THURER MACHINIST IN HOSPITAL WITH LAME FOOT

J. M. Alexander, a machinist of Thurber, was taken to the City-County hospital in Ranger Thursday for treatment for injuries sustained when heavy machinery fell on his foot. Dislocation and bruises are said to constitute the sum total of his injuries.

RADIO PROGRAM

Radio programs are announced for tonight as follows: Fort Worth, WBAP, 475.9 Meters. 6 to 6:30 p. m.—Dinner music by the Texas Hotel Royals. 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.—Concert given by the Harmony Club. (W. E. B.) 8:30 to 10:45 p. m.—The Losh Institute of Music presenting "Rob Roy," a companion opera to "Robin Hood." (C. E. L.) Dallas, WFAA, 475.9 Meters. 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.—Don Bestler's orchestra playing dinner music in the Baker Hotel. 8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Mrs. George S. Curtis presents the Choral Club, Plano, Texas. 11 to 12 (midnight)—The Western Electric Four, a stringed music orchestra.

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BIBLE THOUGHT
ASK WHAT YE WILL—If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.—John 15:7.
PRAYER—May we ever be in Thee, O Lord, as the branch is in the vine, and then our natural living will be in the Spirit of satisfied communion.

MITCHELL'S CASE.
 Developments in the court-martial of Colonel Mitchell to this date, have the appearance of reversing the case—the army and navy becoming defendants. Knowing ones assert that the army and navy will hit back when the time comes with great fury.

It is well understood that thousands of army and navy officers have remained silent because they cannot afford to talk as widely as Colonel Mitchell, who is a rich man and the son of a rich man. He is therefore, in essaying the role of Sir Galahad and tilting against army and navy inefficiency, at best risking nothing but his title and rank.

Countless comrades as stout-hearted and conscientious as the colonel himself are not in his happy financial position. They would risk not only their careers but their "meal tickets." Indications are multiplying that, notwithstanding any defense that may be offered by the army and navy, there is bound to come an investigation by congress that will involve the whole national defense program and in the end justify Colonel Mitchell's criticisms.

NEW ENGLAND POWER.
 Secretary of Commerce Hoover has prepared a plan for a super-power project in New England that engineers claim will save \$500,000,000 annually to Atlantic coast states, and reduce the use of coal by 50,000,000 tons. In addition to this it is claimed the public utility companies selling electric current will save \$234,000,000 a year and the 96,000 manufacturers will save \$190,000,000 in power costs.

About three-quarters of the undeveloped water power in New England is in Maine, which has perhaps the most ambitious plan of any state for the creation of vast power reservoirs. The plan for harnessing the tides of the Bay of Fundy involves an expenditure of nearly \$100,000,000 but it would provide a power plant four times as great as that at Muscle Shoals, and would mean a great industrial revival for all of New England.

Dictator Mussolini intimates that he has a life job, and gives the Italian people to understand that there will be no election until after the debt to the United States is paid. It transpires that his ancestry can be traced back to the thirteenth century when the family sported a coat of arms. Indications are that Benito plans to revive the ensigns and take his place among the royalty.

home in Denmark to become the bride of Albert Edward, the Prince of Wales, Alexandra the wife, later as queen, and during recent years as queen mother, was loved as but few women of the world have ever been loved by any people, and her death is sincerely mourned throughout the empire.

The ways and means committee of congress has agreed to recommend one-tenth of a cent tax on every gallon of cereal beverages. While this application of the toft-pedal will hold down the tax it will, if enacted into law, give the treasury department power to legally inspect plants before granting permits.

DALLAS.—Bids opened for reconditioning of South Dallas and Oak Cliff incinerators.

Society

AND THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN RANGER
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Young Matron's Bridge Club meets with Mrs. Harry Logsdon at 2:30 p. m.

20th Century Club meets with Mrs. G. C. Barkley at 1:30 p. m.
 Merriman P. T. A. meets at 7:30 p. m.

Young Matron's Sunday School Class has Bazaar at Killingsworth-Cox Hardware Company.

A SHOWER FORECASTED
 A tiny invitation, gaily decorated with an open umbrella, floating amidst a shower of raindrops, forecasts a shower, not a rain shower, but a wedding shower, and reads as follows:

"Come, gather together at Mrs. Brewster's home, on Thursday the tenth of December. Bring a gift that is useful or one that is gay, in Jennie's new home to assemble, 611 Walnut, 3 to 6 p. m."

FASTIME CLUB MEETS.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gullahorn completely changed the order of things, Tuesday night, when they entertained the members of the Pastime Club, with a beautifully appointed dinner at the Gholson Coffee Shoppe at 7:30 o'clock, where one large table was arranged for the entire club.

After enjoying the dinner, the host and hostess escorted their guests to their home in the Gholson Addition, where the ever popular bridge, which is the Pastime Club's pastime, was enjoyed until a late hour. Mrs. Frank Champion won the ladies' high score trophy and Mrs. E. D. Crawford, low, while Mr. Roy Jameson won the men's high score prize and Dr. Craig, the low. Club members present were Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Craig, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Logsdon, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jameson, Mrs. J. F. Champion and Mrs. E. L. McMillen. The next meeting will be with Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Craig.

SOROSIS CLUB ENJOYS MUSICAL PROGRAM.
 An open meeting of the Sorosis club, which was entirely a musical program was much enjoyed by club members and friends who filled the green room of the Gholson hotel.

Selections from the opera of "Aida" by Verdi, arranged for phonograph followed the story of the opera and the life of the composer, told by Mrs. C. G. Norton, who was leader for the day. A violin fantasia on airs from the opera was delightfully played by Mrs. H. B. Clifton. A stirring rendition of the Triumphal March from the opera was given by Leo M. Underwood, cornetist.

In the middle of the program two entertaining travel letters were read by Mrs. F. A. Maddocks. The story of the opera of "Martha" by Flotow, was told in an interesting way by Mrs. Glazner. The celebrated air, "The Last Rose of Summer," was given by Mrs. G. C. Barkley followed by the great tenor aria, "Like a Dream," for which a Caruso phonograph record was used.

An arrangement of airs from the opera of "Martha" was played by Mr. Underwood, accompanied by Mrs. Norton, leader for the day. Owing to the length of the program, the business session was postponed until next meeting. The opera of "Carmen" by Bizet will be given under the leadership of Mrs. M. F. Peters.

PARTY SUGGESTS CHRISTMAS.
 Christmas suggestions were the decorative theme cleverly employed by Mrs. Paul Lacy, when she entertained a number of her friends at bridge, Wednesday afternoon, at her home in the Gholson Addition. Tallies and all bridge table appointments were gay in the red and greens of the yuletide, while the fruit cake and plum pudding, that climaxed a luncheon of chicken salad, hot rolls, fig preserves, olives and coffee, featured the approaching season. For her skill in the game, Mrs. Frank Brahaney, was awarded the first prize, a dainty bit of lingerie, and just because the cards fell the wrong way, and resulted in her resting low, Mrs. A. G. Jury, carried home as a pleasant reminder of a happy afternoon, a nested set of mixing bowls.

Around the card tables were gathered Mesdames E. E. Crawford, Walter Brahaney, J. D. Gholson, Frank Champion, Frank Brahaney, John Thurman, Harry Logsdon, Walker Cash, D. L. Jameson, Walter Murray, A. J. Shackelford, W. C. Palmer, Boyd Davenport, A. G. Jury, C. C. Craig and Walter Burden.

ST. MARY'S GUILD PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE.
 The ladies of St. Mary's Episcopal guild met Monday afternoon at the church where they held a short devotional service and made plans for the coming of Archdeacon Vinton on Sunday, Dec. 6, when a communion service will be held at the church at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Plans for the Sunday school Christmas tree were also made, the date decided on being Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20, and the time 4 o'clock. Committees were appointed to look after the arrangements. The children of the Sunday school will give a little Christmas play in connection with the tree and all the parents will be invited to attend.

The next meeting of the guild will be held at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Coates in Olden.

PERSONALS.
 Ellis Dean, formerly of Ranger, but now of Dallas, is a visitor in Ranger today.
 Mrs. J. R. Tolland is spending a few days in Fort Worth.
 Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Craig are moving today into the Howard R. Gholson home, which they have recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ingram have returned from Shawnee, Okla., where they have been visiting for the past three weeks.
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Brewer, have returned from their honeymoon trip, and are temporarily at home, at the residence of Mrs. R. B. Campbell, 417 Pine Street.
 Mrs. Lena Hight, and daughter, Freda, and Mrs. R. B. Campbell, attended the Elk's Charity Ministers in Breckenridge, last night, and were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Knox, at the Empire Lease.
 Mrs. Con Hartnett is spending a few days in Dallas visiting friends.
 Mrs. Walter Cash leaves today for Coffeyville, Kansas, where she goes to spend the holidays with her parents.

HAPPY LIVES FOLLOW ELECTRICITY ON FARM
 In a recent address on the subject of agricultural education before a class of students H. M. Atkinson, chairman of the Georgia Railway and Power Company, said:
 "My company realizes that the agricultural and industrial development go hand in hand. Industry furnishes the home market for the farm product. It is my aim and desire to make electricity available for the farm. Some of the results of this would be:
 "Greater use of machinery on the farm;
 "Greatly increased production per man;
 "Conservation of human life and strength;
 "Greater comforts and conveniences on the farm;
 "Less drudgery in the home;
 "Greater opportunities for recreation;
 "Greater attractiveness and interest to farm life;
 "Farm and country life will become more desirable than city life;
 "The mechanical problems will interest the young men and keep them on the farms;
 "I want to call to the attention of you young farmers the importance of exercising your privileges of citizenship and your duty to vote. It is vital that you, as farmers, take an interest in governmental affairs. You should see that the right men are elected to office and that taxes are reasonable and not so excessive that they will decrease rather than increase revenue by driving industries and citizens out of the state."

BEFORE IT WAS SCARCELY REALIZED THE HOUR OF MIDNIGHT WAS FAST APPROACHING AND EVERYONE DEPARTED WISHING SAMMIE HULL MANY MORE SUCH BIRTHDAYS AND DECLARING THAT THIS BIRTHDAY PARTY WOULD LIVE FOREVER IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE PRESENT.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.
 To all those indebted to or holding claims against the estate of John P. Burke, deceased:
 The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of John P. Burke, deceased, late of the County of Eastland, State of Texas, by the probate court of Eastland county, Texas, on the 9th day of November, 1925, during a regular term thereof, hereby invites all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and all those having claims against said estate to present them to him, within the time prescribed by law, at his place of business, to-wit: Texas & Pacific Railway Building, in the City and County of Dallas, State of Texas, where he receives his mail and in which said city, county and state he resides.

This 30th day of November, 1925.
FRANK J. BURKE,
 Administrator of the estate of John P. Burke, Deceased.

U. S. ARMY RECORDS FILED INEFFICIENTLY SAYS REPORT
 By United Press.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Invaluable records of the war department, covering the vital period in American history from the War of 1812 to the World War are rotting and falling to pieces as a result of inefficient methods of caring for them, Major General Robert C. Davis, adjutant general of the army, told Secretary of War Davis in his annual report today.
 "Many of the original muster rolls have become almost illegible in places as the result of years of constant handling and some have been patched up with tracing cloth in order to keep them from falling apart," Davis said. "Their gradual disintegration will, of course, continue until they shall have literally fallen to pieces, unless the constant handling to which they have been subjected can be obviated."

Davis pointed out that he had previously suggested a proper system of caring for the records, but that it had never been made effective. The present actual strength of the Army is 135,254 men, including 12,462 commissioned officers and 1,020 warrant officers according to Davis report. Additional field clerks, cadets and reserves of certain classes bring the total to 137,074. There was a total of 95,154 enrolled in the Officers Reserve Corps on June 30 according to the regular army record list of the officers and enlisted men who served as enlisted men during the Civil War.

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BEDFORD YOUNG MAN CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY
 BEDFORD, Dec. 3. — It was a bright, beautiful night when a host of friends and loved ones gathered at the home of Mrs. Carrie Hull for the purpose of celebrating Sammie's twentieth birthday. There has been many, yes dozens, of birthday social in the community, but this was by far the greatest and most elaborate that the people of this community

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ST. MARY'S GUILD PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE.
 The ladies of St. Mary's Episcopal guild met Monday afternoon at the church where they held a short devotional service and made plans for the coming of Archdeacon Vinton on Sunday, Dec. 6, when a communion service will be held at the church at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Plans for the Sunday school Christmas tree were also made, the date decided on being Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20, and the time 4 o'clock. Committees were appointed to look after the arrangements. The children of the Sunday school will give a little Christmas play in connection with the tree and all the parents will be invited to attend.

The next meeting of the guild will be held at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Coates in Olden.

PERSONALS.
 Ellis Dean, formerly of Ranger, but now of Dallas, is a visitor in Ranger today.
 Mrs. J. R. Tolland is spending a few days in Fort Worth.
 Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Craig are moving today into the Howard R. Gholson home, which they have recently purchased.

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LOST—Horn-rimmed glasses. Return to Times office.

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WANTED AT ONCE—Good girl or middle-age woman for maid work. DeGroff hotel, Ranger.

MEN—Our catalog mailed free explaining our system of teaching barbering. Moler Barber College, 910 Main st., Dallas.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES.

HAVE YOUR PIANO TUNED this week by R. P. Patterson of Fort Worth, at W. E. Davis jewelry store, or phone Mrs. C. G. Norton, Ranger.

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

9—HOUSES FOR RENT.

Four-room cottage, nicely furnished; with garage; for rent. Phone 234 or apply 510 Mesquite street, Ranger.

FOR RENT—Furnished house. Mrs. John Dunkle, S. Austin st., Ranger.

FOR RENT—Four-room house in Highland park, opposite Dr. Terrell. See O. V. Davenport, chief of police, Ranger.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT.

TWO DIAMONDS—Bargain for cash. Room 22, Langston apartments, Ranger.

12—WANTED TO BUY.

WANTED—Used adding machine; must be in good condition and priced right. C. L. Williams, Ranger Shoe Store, Ranger.

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

IF YOU WANT more for your second-hand furniture, call Ranger Furniture Exchange, phone 242, Ranger.

WANTED—Second-hand furniture Tharpe Furniture Co., 218 Main st. phone 154, Ranger.

WANTED—Second-hand furniture. New & Second-Hand Store, 121 No. Austin st., phone 276, Ranger.

WANTED—A good typewriter desk. A. L. Lindsey, Singer Sewing Machine Co., Ranger.

13—FOR SALE—Miscellaneous.

FOR RENT—Two-room furnished apartment, with garage. Marior Apartments, 607 W. Main st., Ranger.

A BARGAIN—One of the best equipped chicken ranches in Eastland county. Roush Realty Co., 200 E. Main st., Ranger.

BICYCLES, velocipedes and discomotor, all sizes, at reasonable price. See them at the Bicycle & Fixit Shop before you buy. 211 S. Rusk st., Ranger.

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SEE Pritchard for Fords, he has 'em at all prices; extra, have 1923 Chevrolet Touring, lots of extras; all bargains. 749 South Commerce, Ranger.

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

22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK MAKE hens lay with Martin's Egg Producer and keep them healthy with Martin's Roup Tablets, guaranteed by Texas Drug Co., Ranger.

HOUSTON.—\$4,000,000 bond issue authorized for school improvement purposes.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends and especially the employees of the Wichita Falls, Ranger & Fort Worth railroad for their kindness and floral offering to our dear son and brother, C. A. (Spick) Hammond. Mrs. M. F. Hammond, Sisters and Brothers. —Adv.

CATARRH KEEPS WOMEN SLAVES TO ITS AWFUL EFFECT

Fully Ninety Per Cent of The Girls and Women Who Are Weak, Nervous, Irritable, Undernourished, Thin and Sallow Are Victims of This Dreaded Malady.

Not until the theory that catarrh of the generative organs is the direct cause of the nervousness, irritability, irregularity and pain so many women suffer from, was proven by the remarkable and almost miraculous things which the phenomenal medicine known as St. Joseph's G. F. P. is doing since its introduction here, did these unfortunate women really know the true cause of their trouble.

And the further fact that they were never able to get rid of these troubles after trying many remedies which were supposed to overcome the cause, only proves more convincingly than ever that St. Joseph's G. F. P. is the first direct specific for this dreaded malady among women.

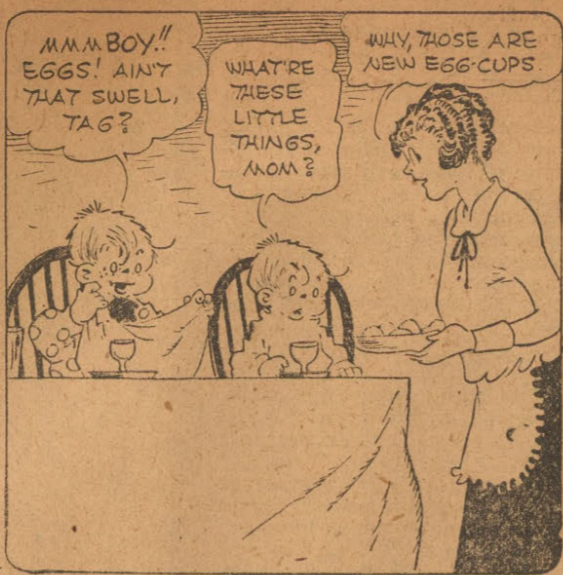
"The reason this condition is so prevalent among girls and women of today," says one of the leading authorities and specialists on the health and care of the female system "is because they are undernourished and their organs are not strong enough to resist the intruders which it makes on them."

"A sound stomach, able to thoroughly digest every bit of food you eat, is the first and most vital thing needed by every woman to be healthy and free from pain and irregularity, because without it, no matter how much or what you eat, your food is not being changed into living tissue and strength for your nerves and muscles. Without firm, healthy tissue, strong muscles to resist wear and tear of daily excess, and steady nerves to withstand exhaustion, a weakened condition is set up, and that is where catarrh gets its hold."

"From then on any one of many nagging and distressing ailments have their beginning, and irregularity, nervousness, irritability, headaches, pain in the back and sides, melancholy and that continually worn-out feeling are the inevitable results."

Women Now Depend on St. Joseph's G.F.P. To Restore Their Vitality

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



Construction Costs of Reclamation Now Doubled, Secretary Work Reports

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Secretary of Interior Work's principal task, he stated in his annual report today. Work explained his policy on reclamation, water power, coal, oil, mineral grazing and timber letting in a general conservation program. Conservation of these resources, meaning economic use without waste and an intelligent distribution as to time, is finding systematic application in the administration of his department, Work declared. He stated that after a "hopeless" condition two years ago an appraisal of reclamation work has been made with the result that \$60,000,000 in new projects has been delayed because of the danger of over development. "The acre construction cost of these new projects will be more than double that of older projects," said Work. "The cost of developing farms has increased in like ratio to project construction cost. "The prospect of settlement is more uncertain at this time and without adequate settlement no project is feasible. "Whether the lands will be sufficiently productive to attract qualified settlers after the government has completed the irrigation works, is the question to be answered before new projects are recommended. The public domain, Work explained, consists of resources requiring economic development to supply present needs as well as foresight in administration for future generations. "There are a dozen waterpower plants operating now in the United States of greater capacity for developing primary power than the site of Muscle Shoals and an equal number of developments," Work stated, minimizing the importance of the single project in the Southeast which has been the subject of so much controversy. A new grazing law was urged to permit establishment of grazing districts by Presidential proclamation which would do away with gratuitous use of the public domain as an unrestricted range for livestock' result-

Thank Him



Roy M. Finley, attorney for a Texas poultry association, is the man who prevented 2,500,000 turkeys from being lost to the Thanksgiving market of the east. Eastern states banned shipments of poultry from Texas because of an outbreak of the hoof and mouth disease, but Finley went east and induced them to modify the embargo sufficiently to permit the sale of turkeys from counties that were not affected by the epidemic.

AMARILLO GRIDIRON TEAM PLAYS FRIDAY IN CISCO

The Big Dam Loboes of Cisco who will meet Amarillo Golden Sandstorm in the all class football championship game for West Texas, Friday, at Cisco. The Loboes in ten games have piled up 302 points to 7 for their opponents. For the past two years the team has lost only to the team which won the state championship and last year went into the state semi-finals.

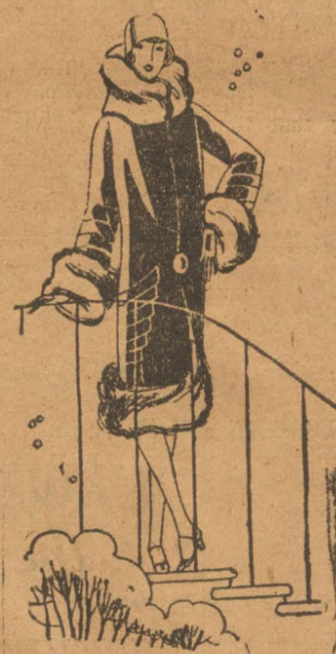
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SPINSTERHOOD

by Virginia Swain

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BEGIN HERE TODAY.
 Barbara Hawley, 25, breaks with her fiance, Bruce Reynolds, and gets a job on the Telegraph in order to see life.
 Andrew McDermott is managing editor of the paper.
 After many exciting adventures, Barbara finds herself in hot water over a story she has written about the lingerie in the inaugural wardrobe of the governor's lady.
 McDermott soothes the governor's wife and Barbara goes home to be called at 2 a. m. by Bob Jeffries, police reporter, who tells her she must go with him to cover a night club murder.
 The murderess proves to be a woman of refinement, who has shot a man in a love triangle. "You can't beat life," she tells Barbara.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY:
 Barbara met her eyes and turned toward the door. Bob followed her, outside, the policeman offered to show them where the shot was fired. "You go with him, Bob," said Barbara. "I'll wait in the car."
 Eyed by a group of evil-looking men on the opposite side of the street Barbara climbed into the racer.
 The words of the murderess were still in her ears—"You'll learn. You can't beat life."

CHAPTER X.
 It was 3:50 when Barbara dragged herself up the stairs again and met her mother in the upper hall.
 "Why, mumsy," she said, "have you been sitting up for me?"
 Mrs. Hawley flushed. "Not exactly. But I couldn't sleep; so I thought I'd sit by the front window for a while. There's a fire in your room."

"This sort of thing's got to stop, you know," scolded Barbara. "A newspaper reporter can't have her family acting like that."
 But the crackling fire and the glass of warm milk that her mother had prepared, brought new color to her cheeks.
 "What a queer woman the murderess was, mother," she said, as she kicked off her shoes and reached for her bedroom slippers. "A lady, unmistakably. But she wasn't a bit sorry she killed him. Said it was her own affair, and you couldn't beat life."

"I wonder if you can," replied her mother, speaking almost under her breath.
 A calendar stood on the desk by the window. As Barbara passed it, on her way to snap the light switch off, she stopped and picked it up. A red cross marked the day on which she had broken with Bruce.
 Four days had passed since then.

The newspaper office had sunk into its late afternoon siesta. The

lum of the telegraph instruments was hushed, and only two typewriters clicked spasmodically in opposite corners of the room.

Over one of these Barbara sat. Within earshot, three reporters, tilted far back in their chairs, were discussing life and letters, lazily.

Barbara leaned forward to listen, and one of them caught sight of her. "Hi, Miss Hawley, you look as if you had something to say on this subject. If so, spill it. Free speech is the rule here," he said.

Barbara had opened her lips to answer when the door of McDermott's office opened and he beckoned to her.

It was the first time that she had been granted private audience with the managing editor.

McDermott stood beside his desk, flicking ashes thoughtfully on the floor. "I have a hunch for a story, Miss Hawley," he said.

"There's a new real estate firm in town that looks like good material. Manners, Stone & Reynolds, they call themselves. Starting out to develop this city into a model community for homes."

"It seems they have bought a sec-

tion out west which they mean to develop as a model—latest architecture, paving, landscaping, and so forth—just to show what can be done. I hear they're going to splash millions into it. Call it Vale Acres, I think.

"Got the tip from a chap at my pool club the other day. None of the other sheets have heard of it. How'd you like to run over this afternoon and sew the story up for us?"

Barbara caught her breath and was silent. McDermott looked at her curiously, but said nothing.

"All right," answered Barbara, at last. "I'll go right away."

"And while you're about it, try to get a line on the types of architecture they mean to use. Maybe one of them will make a statement that Victorian gingerbread buildings in this city must go—an esthetic crime, or something of the sort.

"There are two things the public is interested in, in the newspapers—first praise of itself, and second, condemnation of itself. Either one boosts circulation."

Barbara returned to her desk, and opened the drawer that held her cold cream and powder. Then she shut it with a bang, and reached for her hat and coat.

The office of Manners, Stone & Reynolds was in a big building. By the time Barbara reached the marble lobby, her head was even a trifle higher than usual and her mouth more firm.

"There's another one coming to ask about a divorce," said the elevator boy to a crosby as she stepped out of the elevator. "Nope," replied the crosby. "That's a tooth-pulling case."

(Continued on page six)

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9 TO 10 A. M. FRIDAY

We will sell Pure Linen, 36 inches wide, 75c value at

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Limit 3 yards to the customer. Be on time as tickets will be given first to come. For GROWN PEOPLE only.

READ THESE PRICES

- Ladies' Felt House Slippers, all colors and sizes 55c
- Ladies' 65c Silk Hose, all colors, special, per pair 29c
- Ladies' Bungalow Aprons, assorted patterns, each 49c

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

To the first thirty customers entering this store between 9 and 10 a. m., Saturday, we will sell a good Bungalow Apron for only

25¢

One To Customer—Adults Only

- Men's All-Leather Coat, \$14.50 value \$7.95
- Men's winter-weight Unions, good grade 89c
- Men's Solid Leather Work Shoes . . . \$1.79
- Big assortment fast colored Gingham, 32 inches wide, in a variety of pretty patterns; regular 19c value. Very special

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FRIDAY

December 4th, from 9 to 10 a. m., or while lot of 600 yards last—36-inch Widely known

SCOUT PERCALE

25c value, now per yard

12½c

Light and dark patterns—Limit 8 yards.

FRIDAY

December 4th, from 2 to 3 p. m., or while lot of 219 pairs last, First quality Celebrated

'Hummingbird' Ladies' Pure Thread

SILK HOSE

Sells everywhere at \$1.50 pair. Any desired color to match your footwear. All sizes. Limit 1 pair to a customer. **98c**

SATURDAY

December 5th, 9 to 9:30 a. m. or while lot of 50 pairs last, Part wool, Large size 66x80, Double

BLANKETS

A big value at regular price of \$6, now

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Beautiful Block-Plaids in blue, pink, lavender, tan colors. Limit—2 Blankets to a customer. First come, First Served.

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December 5th, 2 to 3 p. m. or while 25 dozen last. Generous Size 18x34 Full Bleached

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Seconds of 30c value

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"Smoky" Furnished Entertainment For The Ranch Boys, But His Covetousness and Acquisitiveness Finally Brought About His Downfall.

By JOHN W. THURMAN

(By John W. Thurman.)
 "Smoky" as the boys called him, was a large timber wolf—stood 27 inches at shoulder, measured six feet from tip to tip and weighed 55 pounds. "Smoky" claimed as his home and range the country of the Woods boys ranch and a portion of the Texas Pacific Coal & Oil company ranches north and east of Ranger and was often seen by travelers along the highway between Ranger and Thurber. One of his favorite crossing places was near the Russell creek bridge, about four miles east of Ranger. He has often attracted the attention of people driving on the highway. He was very much like a large police dog in general appearance. This wolf was named "Smoky" by the sporting boys of Ranger on account of his speed, cunning, tricks and ability to escape from a pack of dogs. One of his favorite stunts was playing along the highway where the dogs would be stopped and bothered from the light of cars driving at night; another was running through yards where the pack would be stopped by cur dogs, and once he got a good lead on the pack would never allow them to get up to him again. "Smoky" has furnished nights of amusement for the boys as well as grief. He has been a great factor in training some of the best wolf dogs in this section of the country, and has helped to cull out the quitters and loafers in several packs, for a night with "Smoky" was considered a real physical test with a dog. "Smoky" was dreaded by the boys training young dogs. Quite often "Smoky" has furnished nights of amusement for the boys as well as grief. He has been a great factor in training some of the best wolf dogs in this section of the country, and has helped to cull out the quitters and loafers in several packs, for a night with "Smoky" was considered a real physical test with a dog. "Smoky" was dreaded by the boys training young dogs. Quite often "Smoky" has furnished nights of amusement for the boys as well as grief. He has been a great factor in training some of the best wolf dogs in this section of the country, and has helped to cull out the quitters and loafers in several packs, for a night with "Smoky" was considered a real physical test with a dog.

where "Smoky" had gone out early in the evening. While I was listening and hoping that they had the right one, I heard "Smoky" howl about a half mile below where the dogs made the strike and I knew it was him and I was anxious for the dogs to get bunched before they reached him or he might whip the two pups out as he had done "Tennessee Belle" three times before and sent her back with large hunk in her thighs where he had sunk his large teeth.
 About that time I heard "Snowball" open on the point just above where he howled and I knew "Bess" was with him, for they stay together. I knew when "Snowball" opened he was going to him and if the other four young dogs heard him they would get in. I was not sure that they would route the old fellow but thought they would and for a moment everything was quiet and the next thing I heard was "Cork" one of the young dogs but a stout, husky fellow, tie right into old "Smoky," and, fortunately for him, the old dogs got to him, but "Cork" had been in three other catches and thought he could whip a wolf and the way he piled onto "Smoky" scared him and out he came. The wolf came up the draw towards me and he had not run 200 yards until "Rhoda," "Blackie" and "Pilot" fell right in on him. "Smoky" realized from the way the dogs attacked him, and had such a close running jump, it was up to him to do some fast work. He came out within a hundred yards of where I was standing and they were running so nicely I helped them on with a whoop, and old "Smoky" made for a rough point where he could use a goat fence where he was accustomed to throwing them off on for a lead, but this time he had three after him that could scale a goat fence as fast as he could and they were running so close he had no chance to get a run on them.
Forced to Highway.
 The last time he jumped the fence the four young dogs happened to be in the right place and turned him down the fence and as he turned down the fence "Snowball" and "Bess" took the other side and "Smoky" had to seek cover somewhere else. He turned down through a woods pasture and followed the breaks where he could have the advantage of the cliffs, but "Bess" knew him too well and would not let him get any lead and as he came out to the highway they were all packed and twice they forced him off the highway and as they crossed the second time John Tibbels drove up and unloded "Nip," "Rock" and "Tricksy." The dogs made a little loss the second time he made the highway but "Bess" picked him up

where he came off and left south of the highway and the other dogs packed quickly and made a straight run south for two miles to the shinnery, where it is almost impossible to run. They stayed so close to "Smoky" he left the shinnery after about an hour and turned down Bear creek. Bear creek is so rough that it is almost impossible for dogs to make any time and especially when a wolf takes to the cliffs, but "Smoky" being so large the dogs could scale the cliffs about as fast as he could and the most of the dogs could go through smaller places than he could.
 After following Bear creek all the way down and not being able to get away he turned back up the Thurber hill and came in on the highway, where he was almost sure to escape, but fortunately the traffic was not heavy on the highway that night and no cars running and he had to leave the highway.
 He had run long enough that he had gotten hot and the dogs could run him on the roadbed. Leaving the highway, he came up in the roughs around the old P. O. ranchhouse and was working his way back towards the Woods ranch. The dogs were running hard and I knew if he didn't get back to change with his mate they were going to match him, but they were running him so hard that he could not get time to listen for a call from his mate that had relieved him so many times before. I had a fire on a rice high point where I could hear the dogs very distinctly and I could tell from the way "Snowball" and "Bess" were talking that they had him in their sack. About that time I heard the old mother wolf, about one and one-half miles west of me, calling, but "Smoky" had never topped the ridge where he could hear that call that has made many a hunter say, "Ah, hell; the wolf race is gone. We will never catch him now if he gets to that fresh one."

Life's Darkest Hour.
 The old story of "the darkest hour is just before day" was true in this case. "Pet" Fox, another one of the hunters, had persuaded his wife for a night out and came down with six that no man beats, "Buck," "Shine," "Prince," "Toy," "Dude" and "Sport." He swears that I accused him wrongfully when I told him he had in mind scalping old "Smoky" and tacking his scalp on my kennel gate. He had everything figured right, for he unloaded just right to jump the old boy, but I had gone with him and he happened one time to get in the right place at the right time. I could hear "Smoky's" mate calling louder all the time and my hopes were vanishing as the pack kept working closer to me and towards the wolf that was howling.
 "Smoky" had worked his way almost back to the highway when Pet's dogs got in. When "Buck" opened I think it was the most consoling yelp I ever heard from a dog, for I knew "Smoky" could never cross the ridge ahead of him. It sounded like for a few minutes that "Buck" was going to leave the whole pack, but about that time "Shine" chimed in and I knew then that his dodging would not do him any good and as soon as the whole pack began to cry "Smoky" realized that he must get

to the bluffs or they would get him. I thought sure they would get him in a few minutes but when he went in on Russell creek north of the P. O. ranchhouse it was so rough that the race lasted for two and one-half hours.

When the dogs turned back down the creek I knew "Smoky" would never try to come back upgrade and that the mate calling him would have to seek another mate. When "Old Buck" turned down Russell creek he began to sing "Home, Sweet Home" and I knew if I reached the tabernacle for the benediction I would have to hook the steel in "Shorty," and I did. For awhile I could not hear them, as they had gotten under a bluff from me, and I thought they had caught him, for I knew he could not get away. I made a point on the south side of the creek and I could hear "Prince" crying above the whole pack. I knew he was running close and the race would soon be over. When "Smoky" made his last attempt to hide, he crept down the cliff to a long hole of water where he had possibly gone on other occasions, and swam to a large flat rock near the center, where he could stand. It seemed to me like it was 10 minutes before I heard a sound and when I did it sounded like

"Prince" had gotten into a trap, but he had found "Smoky" and it was worse than a trap.

Trapped on Rock.
 The dogs fought for some time before either of us got to them. I stopped on the bluff above them, and thought I had the whole thing to myself. I gave a yell as the dogs had almost quit fighting, and Pet answered me. He had come up the creek and when he turned his light on the water, "Old Buck" was the only dog left with the wolf, the others had gone out on the bank. "Buck" and the monster were setting on the rock. It was pitiful to see this dog as he sat in the cold water and would raise first one foot out and then the other, but he stayed. He knew what it meant to put old "Smoky" on that rock and he was not going to give him a chance to slip out.

It took six hours' hard running to wind up old "Smoky's" career. It not only furnished joy for two hunters but it brought good news to the farmers and ranchmen to know that he had been captured.
 I wish every driver of an automobile was a hunter or liked good dogs. They would be careful about driving into them at night and would slow down when they see them on the roads at night. Many good dogs have

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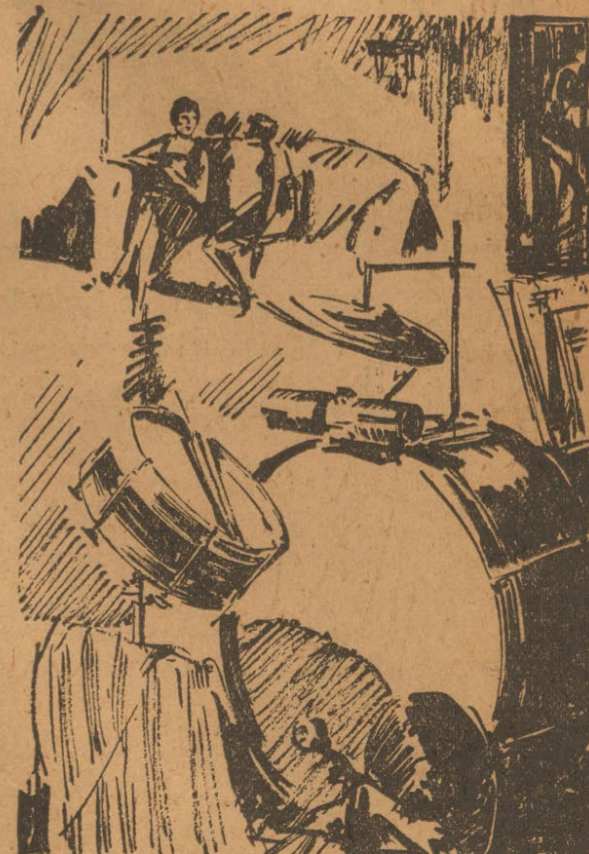
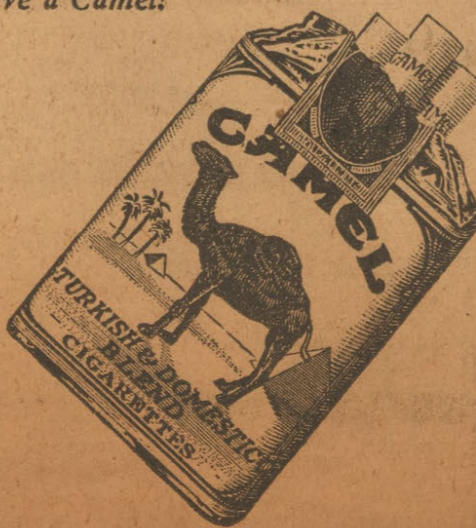
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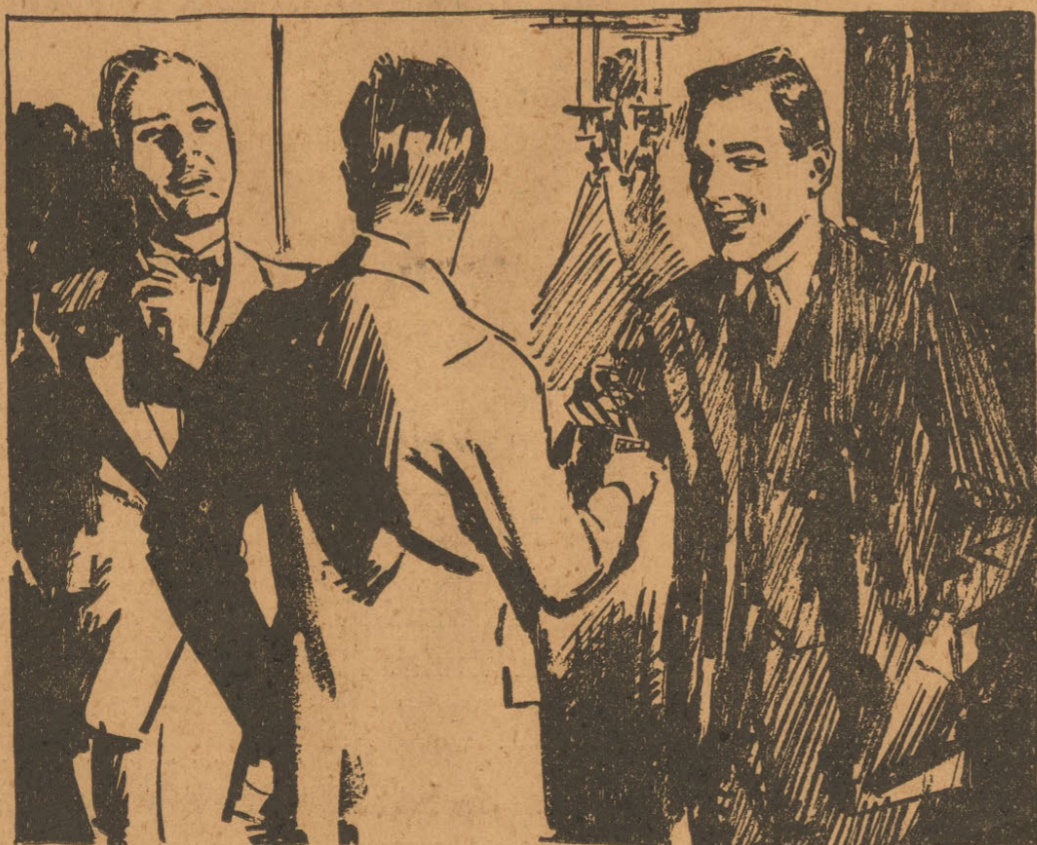
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Expensive Taste.
 "Smoky" did not only deal the hunters and their packs misery, but he was very expensive to the farmers and ranchmen in his country. One could hardly estimate the number of chickens, turkeys, pigs and goats that he destroyed. It seemed that his favorite breakfast was one of his white leghorn hens from Irvin's chicken farms and then for a change he would come on over to Taylor's farm and get one of his buff orpingtons or go down and get one of Tim Woods' anconas. The farmers would notify the hunters of "Smoky's" visits and they would get together and load up the best they had and go down to get his scalp but time after time "Smoky" would fool the dogs and get out and so often this had been done the farmers had almost become disgusted with the dogs and sometimes the hunters in the alibi they would try to offer for their dogs, but in every instance the fatal time comes to almost every man and beast, and "Smoky's" came on Monday night, Nov. 16, 1925.

The weather had not been favorable for a race for several days and I had been out two evenings with the wife, playing bridge, which seemed to please her very much. She had reminded me that she would not be able to get me to go if the wind had not been blowing so I could not go hunting, but I tried to convince her that I had stayed at home more to please her than anything else. Naturally she agreed with me, as every good wife does with her husband, but we never have them fooled very much. My wife knows that I get more kick out of one good race than I would out of 40 bridge games, but I play bridge sometimes to please her and another thing I could not get along without her assistance. When I have to be away from home I know my dogs are going to be fed and cared for.

Primed For Hunt.
 I had not had a race for a whole week and it looked as though the weather was ideal to pull a real race and I think most of the hunters were eager for a race. On my way home I met John Tibbels and he asked me where I was going to run that night, for he knew I was going and I told him. He said 'I will drive down the highway and if you bring old "Smoky" through that country I will throw in.' That pleased me, for he had three good ones and the kind that run. When I reached home I told the good wife that I would like to have supper soon as possible, that I was going to pull a real wolf race. I told her I was going to scalp old "Smoky." She didn't believe I could, for I had tried it before and failed, but she knew that I would rather do that than most anything she knew of. Before I reached the house from doing the chores I could smell the ham and coffee, and she had prepared me a real wolf hunter's supper, the kind that sticks to a fellow's ribs.

When I brought "Shorty" around to saddle up, the dogs saw me and began to yelp, for they were as anxious for a race as I. "Shorty" seemed eager for a race, as he was so frisky he would hardly stand for me to put the saddle on him. Having supplied myself with plenty of smoking material for the night, I mounted "Shorty," rode to the kennel gate and turned out eight fast stepping Walkers and struck a gallop for the canyon. I was anxious to get to the hunting ground early, for fear someone would possibly drop in and get a jump before I routed "Smoky," so I rode in a gallop most all the way. The dogs all seemed to realize that my reputation was at stake as a hunter and were going to the woods with a determination to get old "Smoky."

Chase Is Begun.
 By the time I reached the breaks of Russell creek west of Woods' house the dogs had gained something like a mile, and as I pulled "Shorty" down, I heard "Tennessee Belle" and "Queen" tongueing down the draw

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Barbara caught both remarks. She stopped in front of a glass door and tried to catch a reflection of her face. The sound of a door opening behind her made her whirl about in a panic. The door across the hall bore the names, "Manners, Stone & Reynolds," and underneath, in smaller letters, "Real Estate."

A hum of voices within suggested great activity. Barbara entered through the open door. The office seemed crowded with men, all talking rapidly and interrupting one another.

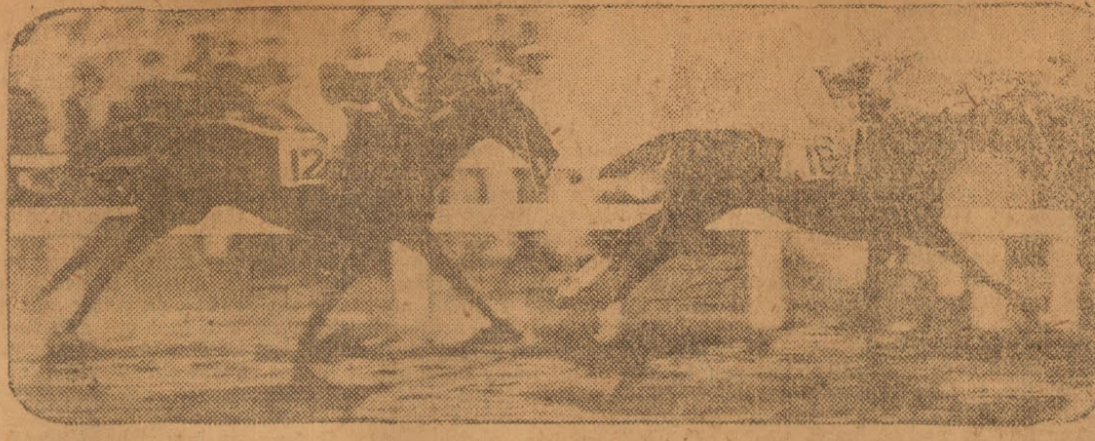
A middle-aged man was moving

about among the others with an air of pompous hospitality. Barbara selected him as a member of the firm of Manners, Stone & Reynolds. "Yes," he replied to her question, "I could give you that information. I am Mr. Manners. But at present I am much too busy to talk to you. If you will follow that inner corridor, you will find the offices of Mr. Stone and Mr. Reynolds. Either of them can tell you what you want to know."

He dismissed her before she could protest. Barbara turned and followed the corridor. There were two doors ahead.

Barbara straightened her hat, and then with a defiant gesture, pushed it back to its previous angle. She had her hand on the knob of the first

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door, when it opened, pushing her back against the wall.

A feminine voice emerged from the opening. "Yes, indeed, Mr. Reynolds. How very kind of you!" The voice was cultivated and of vibrant quality.

Barbara flattened her body against the wall behind the half opened door, just in time to avoid being seen by the woman who came out.

Though the woman's face was turned the other way, Barbara could see that she was young and graceful. She was dressed in black. The heavy fur border on her velvet coat swirled luxuriously about her feet as she turned in the doorway.

She advanced into the hall. Then she pulled out a gold vanity case and, holding her head back, looked searchingly at her reflection in the tiny glass.

From behind her, Barbara caught the slight, satisfied toss of her head as she moved away.

Barbara stepped nearer to the door after she was gone. There on the glass panel was the name, "Bruce Reynolds."

She went on down the corridor.

The private office of Bruce Reynolds was singularly quiet. In the midst of the general hubbub in the suite, its mahogany desk bore three small model houses, and the book-cases were stacked with plaster miniatures of facades, steeples and cupolas.

Bruce sat at his desk, his chin on his hand. A pale amber sunbeam from the western window fell on his head, and showed a lock standing up on the crown of his head. He picked up a filmy lace handkerchief that had fallen beside his chair and put it in the top drawer.

With a gesture of sharp impatience, he rose and grasped his hat. Manners shouted at him as he passed through the reception room, "Hi there, Reynolds. Been a good day for you, what say? Two pretty women callers in direct succession! And both of 'em pippins, I'll tell the world."

"Seems to me you didn't give the kid much time. Maybe Cleo in mourning was enough for one day. Zat so?"

Bruce looked at him. "I don't know what you're talking about," he replied, and left the room.

Mrs. Hadley's select boarding house was bleak and quiet when Bruce entered it two hours later. He passed the parlor, with eyes averted from the flowered carpet and the golden oak library table.

On a stand in the hall lay the afternoon mail, and the pad on which Mrs. Hadley left messages for her guests.

"Mr. Reynolds," read a note on the pad. "A lady has been calling you. Wouldn't give her name. They never will.—Mrs. H."

Bruce shuffled through the mail and a girl came out. She walked

straight up to him, smiling. Her eyes were heavily shadowed and her teeth were white.

"Excuse me, mister," she said, "but would you be so good as to pound a nail for my picture. I've mashed a thumb and two fingers already." She held up a small hand with three bruises.

Bruce smiled and followed her into her room. "My name's Violetta Cranby," said the girl, while he pounded the nail. "Hope you don't think it was fresh of me to ask you. Women aren't much good where muscle's needed, you know. And I did so want to hang this picture."

The picture was a colored print of a lady in a garden hat, with a bunch of lilacs in her arms.

"You're perfectly welcome, I'm sure, Miss Cranby," he smiled. "Glad I could help you."

"Oh, Mr. Reynolds," came a voice from the lower hall. "You answer the telephone extension up there. It's the same lady."

Bruce turned and hurried out of the room.

He took the receiver down with trembling fingers. "There's no one on the line now. Will you excuse it, please?" purred the operator.

"But there must be somebody," and went on upstairs, frowning.

He had almost reached the door of his room, when another door opened

cried Bruce, "They've been trying to get me several times."

"The party that called you has hung up."

Barbara Hawley leaned against the wall telephone outside her bedroom door. Her left hand still grasped the receiver, hanging on its hook. (To be continued.)

BEDFORD NEWS

BEDFORD, Dec. 3.—"Grace Found in Lord Jesus Christ," was the subject of a sermon preached here Sunday afternoon by Rev. Mr. McDonald, which was the first sermon he has preached here. There was a large crowd in attendance at Sunday's services. Rev. Mr. Weathers made a short talk that was well received by the audience. Brother Weathers will preach at the Bedford Methodist Church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Dec. 13. Brother McDonald will preach here again at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon on Dec. 20.

A Sunday school was organized at the Methodist Church here Sunday and the following officers were elected: Newt Lewis, superintendent; Miss Donna Matthews, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Spruill, Mrs. Evans, Dora Matthews, Walter Smith, Mrs. M. A. Matthews, teachers. The officers and teachers are working for success in the school and urge all that will to come and take part in the work.

J. W. Broomfield and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews and family, last week-end.

Miss Nina Smith, who is attending school at Eastland, and Misses Dora and Bessie Matthews, who are attending school at Cisco, were visitors at the Bedford school Friday afternoon.

There will be singing at Bedford Church Sunday night, Dec. 13, and everyone has a special invitation to be present and help in the singing.

MEGAREL—Continental Gas, Light and Power Company has purchased and will enlarge electric light and power plant here.

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- 75c and 85c value Silk Curtain material... **48c**
- 36-inch Terry Cloth, 98c value... **78c**
- 36-inch Silk Curtain material, 95c value... **78c**
- 36-inch Silk Curtain material, \$1.75 value... **\$1.28**
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