

HI-JACKER MURDERS THEATRICAL MAN

STATE BANK GUARANTY FUND LAW IS REPEALED

BOULDER DAM ENTERPRISE IS OPPOSED BY TEXAS

Protection Against Insolvent Automobile Owners Bill Put In

AUSTIN, Jan. 31.—The Ewing-Johnson bill, pending in the national congress at Washington was condemned in a concurrent resolution to be introduced in the house today as being of no real or permanent benefit and furthering the cotton over-production.

If constructed the irrigation plan would open large tracts of land for cotton production thus bringing about a still greater over-production of cotton the resolution stated.

The house was to convene at 2 o'clock this afternoon, after having been adjourned since last Friday.

The senate this morning finally passed the agreed bill repealing the guaranty fund and security bond plans for protection of the deposits in the Texas state bank and the bill now goes to the house.

A bill introduced in the senate by Senator Price, seeks to give protection against insolvent automobile owners, against whom damages are secured for personal or property injury resulting from negligent operation of the vehicle.

The bill would give the injured the first lien on the vehicle to secure payment of damages.

S Senator Floyd introduced a bill to regulate local mutual aid associations. Creation is the Texas Industrial college at Tyler, in Smith county, is sought in a bill introduced by Senator Pollard.

Dallas Man Gets Engineering Job

AUSTIN, Jan. 31.—R. A. Thompson of Dallas, is slated for appointment by the new state highway commission as state highway engineer, according to information regarded as reliable here today.

WILL GIVE HIS MONEY TO CHARITY

HOUSTON, Jan. 31.—Rev. F. E. Clark, pastor of the South Houston Baptist church, who has recently inherited \$800,000, preached to his congregation Sunday.

Factory Workers Get Higher Pay Than Office Men

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Factory workers and other manual laborers receive an average higher wage than office employees, according to a survey of the National Industrial Conference board, made public here today.

Chinese Pirates Capture Mail Steamer

TRADE OUTLOOK WITH RETAILERS LOOMS UP GOOD

Wholesale Buying Now Limited Largely To Immediate Demands

DALLAS, Jan. 31.—Mixed trends in business and industry in the Eleventh Federal Reserve district were disclosed during the closing month of 1926. Retail buying in the large cities, as reflected by department store sales was maintained at a level 2 per cent higher than a year earlier and checks charged to depositors account were slightly higher.

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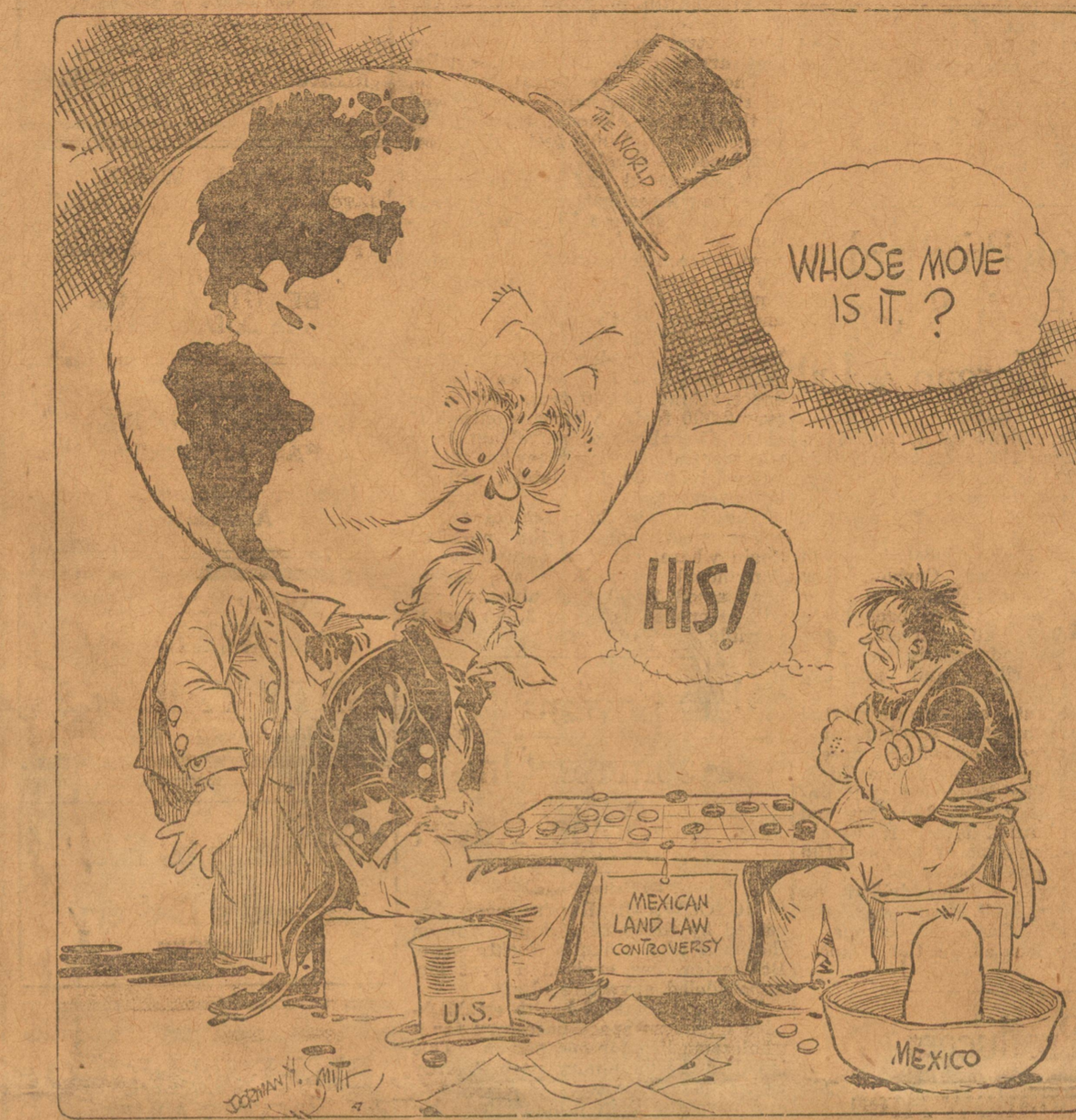
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Autos Must Have 1927 Licenses Or Arrests Follow

Lee Reid, county highway officer, announced this morning that arrests will be made in all cases where automobile owners are found driving without state highway license plates for 1927, and that strict enforcement of the laws governing night driving will be made.

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THOUSANDS IN SHANGHAI NOW AWAIT DOOM

Skipper and Officers Of Seized Vessel Are Put Under Close Guard

HONG KONG, Jan. 31.—The Chinese owned British mail steamer Zang Bee enroute to Hong Kong from Singapore, wireless today for help following an attack by pirates.

American Editor Seized in Office

SHANGHAI, China, Jan. 31.—Thousands of foreigners awaiting the impending fall of the city, before the invading armies of South China, today waited tensely in fear that celebration of the Chinese New Year might be transformed into an anti-foreigner demonstration.

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BANDIT GETS AWAY WITH BIG SUM \$5,000

Treasurer of Majestic At Fort Worth is Shot Down Broad Daylight

Bandit Obtained \$4,000 and \$5,000, it was estimated.

Fort Worth, Jan. 31.—Roscoe Wilson, twenty-three year old treasurer of the Majestic Theatre, was fatally shot and robbed by a young white man at 10:30 this morning.

Deep Money Bag

"Drop that money bag," witnesses heard the robber say.

Hoblitzelle Offers \$1,000 Reward

DALLAS, Jan. 31.—Karl Hoblitzelle, president of the company which owns the Majestic theatres in Texas, offered \$1,000 reward for the capture of the bandit who shot and killed Roscoe Wilson, the treasurer of the Majestic theatre in Fort Worth, this morning.

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FROM THE HOLY WRIT

God is trustworthy—Behold, God
 will not cast away a perfect man.
 Neither will he uphold the evil-doers
 Job, 8:20.

Prayer—Help us, Lord, to know
 Thee in Thine integrity, and to grow
 into Thy likeness.

FREAK BILL FIEND.

The freak bill fiend has made his
 appearance in the fortieth session of
 the Texas legislature in the introduc-
 tion of the empty flask measure. Of
 all the freak foolish bills ever intro-
 duced in a legislature, this one takes
 the cake, for the simple reason, the
 man who buys whisky from a drug
 store on a physician's prescription
 never last as long as 10 days,
 and sometimes, it is placed in the
 home and kept there for medicinal
 purposes and may have to stay on the
 shelves for six months or more. To
 our mind this no crime to hold in the
 home for emergency use. It would be
 under the freak law introduced.

It is a waste of time and money for
 the taxpayers of Texas to pay any at-
 tention to such bills. Governor Moody
 in his inaugural address outlined some
 constructive legislation that is needed
 in the way of revising the laws gov-
 erning the highways and establishing
 a new highway commission, in the re-
 vision of the tax system, and amend-
 ing the courts procedure so as to in-
 sure quick trials and thereby avert
 travesties on justice, to amend and
 revise the school law so as to improve
 the rural schools and place them on
 the same footing as the city schools,
 giving the child in the country an
 equal opportunity to obtain an edu-
 cation. These are just a few of the
 constructive measures recommended.
 If the Texas legislature will knuckle
 down to business and give those im-
 portant things attention there is no
 time left to fool with freak bills.

There are too many laws now on
 the statute books and not enough en-
 forcement. Fewer laws and better
 laws. Such laws as that introduced
 by the flask man is all tom foolery.
 What Texas needs is an improved
 highway law, improved schools, revision
 of the court procedure, and a few
 other vital things. Carry out the pro-
 gram outlined by Governor Dan
 Moody and then adjourn after making
 the necessary appropriations. All
 other legislation should be sidetrack-
 ed. Constructive, and not freakish
 legislation is needed. The taxpayers
 of Texas and the citizenship in gen-
 eral are tired of seeing the time of
 that great body, the Texas legislature,
 taken up with freak bills. Its a won-
 der some fellow does not introduce a
 bill making it a penal offense for a
 catfish to have a fin only so long.
 There is about as much sense to a bill
 like that as there is to a freak bill.
 Cut out freak bills and carry out the
 program defined by the governor and
 go home.

CHINESE QUESTION.

America should protect her inter-
 ests and her citizens now in China
 with arms, if necessary. We believe
 in giving Americans all protection
 needed to insure their safety, the
 same as England does. However,
 there are two sides to every question.
 While America has not tried to exploit
 China for the aggrandizement of the
 wealthy business interests and her
 own interests, other nations have,
 and China now is awakening. She is get-
 ting tired being kicked around. True
 enough, China is backward, because
 the proletariat of the nation is not
 educated. The religion of the Chi-
 nese prevents them from developing
 the rich mineral resources of the
 country.

It seems as if the Cantonese are
 the only ones with any defined policy.
 The Cantonese leaders have awak-
 ened to national consciousness. To a
 certain extent, a study of the situa-
 tion will reveal the sad fact that a lot
 of foreigners in China are responsible
 for the anti-foreign feeling that has
 arisen. This is to be deplored. China
 should be allowed to work out her
 own salvation and will do so when the
 general citizenship has become en-
 lightened. We believe in sending
 educated missionaries to instruct
 them, but not to exploit the nation for
 personal wealth and aggrandizement.

SOCIETY
AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

TONIGHT.
 Directors of the Chamber of Com-
 merce meet at 7:30.

TUESDAY
 Child Study club meets with Mrs.
 Frank Jacobs at 3 p. m.
 Central Ward Parent-Teacher asso-
 ciation meets at 4 p. m.

COX-BURKS WEDDING
 A pretty home wedding was wit-
 nessed by relatives of both families,
 Sunday afternoon, at the home of Mr.
 and Mrs. J. W. A. Cox, when their
 youngest daughter, Fannie Lois be-
 came the bride of S. Preston Burks.
 The pretty ring ceremony was per-
 formed by Rev. C. O. Shugart, pres-
 iding elder of the Cisco district of
 the Methodist church, and a cousin
 of Mr. Cox, at 5 o'clock, in the living
 room of the Cox home on North
 Commerce street.

The bride looked very charming in
 a blue tailored frock, with which she
 wore a rose hat and other accessories
 in pleasing harmony.
 Mrs. Burks has been practically
 raised in Ranger and is a graduate
 of the Ranger High school, being a
 member of the 1926 graduating class.
 At present she is employed by the
 Times Publishing company. Her sweet
 personality has won for her many
 friends and she is a most popular and
 well loved girl.

Mr. Burks, who is the son of Mr.
 and Mrs. J. S. Burks, is also well
 known and well liked in Ranger. For
 a number of years he has held re-
 sponsible positions in various banks
 of Ranger and is now bookkeeper at
 the Citizens State bank, where he is
 a most valued employee.
 Mr. and Mrs. Burks will make their
 home with Mrs. Burks parents for the
 time being.

Wedding guests present were: Mrs.
 Earnest Harkrider, Eastland; Mrs.
 Tom Burks and son; Mr. and Mrs. C.
 E. Smith of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs.
 E. J. Gilbert, Mrs. Mattie Gilbert,
 Fort Worth, Mrs. J. F. Spence, Rev.
 and Mrs. C. O. Shugart and the im-
 mediate family of the bride.

PERSONALS.
 Misses Hallie and Rosalie Jameson
 arrived in Ranger today from New
 York, to be at the bedside of their
 mother, Mrs. D. L. Jameson, who is
 critically ill at the family home with
 erysipelas.

**PAST NOBLE GRAND
 CLUB TO MEET.**
 The Past Noble Grand club will
 meet on Wednesday afternoon with
 Mrs. W. L. Keith, at her home on
 Desamona boulevard, at 2:30 o'clock.
 All members are requested to be
 present.

**MANAGER OF SOUTHERN ICE
 UTILITIES MARRIES.**
 G. G. Henry, manager of the South-
 ern Ice Utilities, was married to Miss
 Ella Brown of Dallas, one week ago
 in Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
 are now domiciled in the cottage re-
 served for the manager at the plant,
 just off Tiffin road.
 While Mr. Henry has not been in
 Ranger many months, still he has
 made a number of friends who are
 glad to welcome Mrs. Henry to this
 city.

Young School P.-T. A. will meet at
 3:45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at
 the Young school. The program will
 be in charge of Miss Pettitt's room.
 All members are urged to be present.

**National Jewish
 Hospital Field
 Secretary Here**

Miss Anne M. Epstein, field secre-
 tary of the National Jewish Hospital
 of Denver, was in Ranger and East-
 land today, soliciting funds with
 which to carry on the work of the
 hospital.
 Miss Epstein explained that this
 is a free tubercular hospital and is
 supported by voluntary contributions.
 It is also non-sectarian and about six-
 ty percent of the patients who come
 to the hospital for treatment of the
 great white plague are non-Jew.
 Last September a new building was
 completed which will enable the hos-
 pital to take care of one hundred
 more patients and Miss Epstein hopes
 to raise money enough this year to
 pay for this extra building so that
 another may be built and enlarge
 their service to the many who ap-
 ply to them for treatment.

**Directors Plan
 To Adopt Budget
 Meeting Tonight**

Adoption of the year's chamber of
 commerce program and the budget,
 will come up before the directors of
 the Ranger commercial chamber to-
 night at their meeting at 7:30.
 At noon today the budget and pro-
 gram committee met at the Gholson
 for luncheon and will report tonight
 on what steps they took in regard to
 these two important items.
 This committee is composed of Hall
 Walker, John Thurman, L. R. Pear-
 son, C. C. Patterson met with them
 at the luncheon.

**Home From Dallas
 Markets Where She
 Bought Spring Stuff**

Mrs. Katie Paschall of the S & H
 Store, Ranger has returned from a
 two day stay in Dallas, where she met
 eastern manufacturers of lines car-
 ried by this store and bought goods
 from their displays.
 Mrs. Paschall will return to Dal-
 las for the Spring style shows, the
 first one being on February 9.
 J. D. Simpson, one of the firm of
 S & H Store accompanied Mrs. Paschall
 to Dallas and they bought goods
 for the Ranger house and the Ard-
 more, Okla., store of Mr. Simpson.

**Blackmond Back
 From Water Meet
 Held in Dallas**

W. C. Blackmond of the Ranger
 city water plant, has returned from
 a week's water school at Dallas,
 which was conducted by the State
 Board of Health.

Mr. Blackmond reports a pleasant
 and profitable week's stay. He said
 there were about two hundred dele-
 gates from various towns and cities
 of Texas and a number of celebra-
 ted water works men from other parts
 of the country were present. Among
 these were Col. George Fuller of
 New York, an authority on water puri-
 fication and Imhoff, inventor of the
 Imhoff sewer disposal tank, and oth-
 ers.
 Mr. Blackmond said he was pleas-
 ed to note among the reports of var-
 ious cities on plant operation and bac-
 teria analysis that the state board
 of health requires them to make, that
 Ranger showed up very favorably.
 Ranger reports showed about 80 per
 cent perfect out of every 100 tests
 while some of the other Eastland
 county towns ran around 65 per
 cent.
 Mr. Blackmond said that the state
 officials seemed well pleased with
 reports from Ranger and hoped to
 pay the plant a visit in the near fu-
 ture.

**Work on Pritchard
 To Begin Soon;
 Morgan 2, 160**

The Independent Oil & Gas com-
 pany's Morgan No. 2 brought in Sat-
 urday night, is making 160 barrels
 at 3,000 feet, bringing the combin-
 ed production of it and Morgan No.
 1 to 300 barrels.
 These wells are located seven
 miles southwest of Carbon. The
 Magnolia's Thomas No. 1 in this
 same pool, has just been brought in
 and is making 40 barrels. This
 makes three producers in the pool,
 with several drilling and no dry
 holes.

An important well is to be started
 six miles southeast of Eastland one-
 fourth mile from the wildcat gasser
 on the farm of County Judge Ed S.
 Pritchard. The Pritchard well un-
 expectedly hit gas at 300 feet and
 the rig was burned down. It is mak-
 ing one million feet of gas at 1100
 feet and the gas is being sold.
 The new well is being drilled by
 Jinks Garrett, Neil Moore and the
 Consolidated Gasoline company, and
 will be located on the Capers
 farm.

**Two Producers
 In Shallow Area,
 Latest Report**

Two producers were reported in
 the shallow district yesterday. The
 record of activities of the fol-
 lows:
 Fidal Oil company, J. T. Hodnett,
 No. 2; statement after shooting; No.
 6, statement after shooting.
 Callahan County.
 McCamey—West & Hill, Joe E.
 Jones No. 1 intention to drill to depth
 of 750 feet.
 Ira Rinehart, F. S. Bell, No. 1, in-
 tention to plug; No. 1-A, intention
 to drill to depth of 1,100 feet; No. 1,
 intention to drill depth 1,100 feet.
 T. B. Slick, Mrs. L. A. McDon-
 ough, No. 4, well record, five barrel
 producer.
 Coleman County.
 Amanda Petroleum corporation,
 John W. Harris, No. 117, well re-
 cord, 10 barrels.

**Moslsh Temple
 Recorder Morgan
 Jones Has Gone**

FORT WORTH, Jan. 31.—J. Moran
 Jones, recorder of the Moslah
 Temple, died in a Fort Worth hos-
 pital Sunday at 10:15 p. m., follow-
 ing a short illness.
 Jones who taught in the Fort
 Worth schools for 24 years, became
 recorder in 1922 for the Moslah
 Temple, Ancient Arabic Order,
 Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and was
 well known throughout West Texas.
 He was a 33 degree Mason and a
 Knight Templar.
 Funeral arrangements have not yet
 been made and the body is being held
 at the Robertson & Mueller mortu-
 ary pending their arrangements.
 The deceased is survived by one
 sister, Mrs. T. W. Humphreys of
 Cincinnati.

**Munroe Sweeney
 Goes to Missouri
 Valley to Referee**

Munroe Sweeney, who has been in
 Ranger the past fall acting as foot-
 ball referee for most all of the con-
 ference games, leaves Ranger today
 to be gone for several months.
 He will go to Oklahoma, Kansas
 and Missouri, where he will referee
 in basketball games in the Missouri
 Valley conference until he lands back
 in the National league as umpire
 when the baseball season opens up.
 In the fall he will return to Eastland
 county, and will coach Randolph
 college athletics.
 There are 26,700 sporting clubs in
 England with a membership of 1-
 420,000.
 Today's definition: the first of
 the month—that period when the
 doorbell calls people to the windows.

**Spanish Drillers
 Find Traces of
 Some Provinces**

By United Press.
 MADRID—Drilling for oil has been
 carried on recently in Spain without
 material results as yet. Traces of oil
 have been found in various parts of
 the country and those interested in
 the experiments are hopeful that a
 supply will eventually be found that
 will provide sufficient petroleum for
 export as well as for Spain's domestic
 needs.

In 1894, in the province of Cadiz
 (Andalusia), for the first time petro-
 leum was noticed mixed with water
 coming from a deposit of sulphur.
 Preliminary boring in several fields
 of the same region, especially near Jerez
 de la Frontera, at San Telmo, Arcos
 de la Frontera, Santo Domingo de
 Jerez, Pambanco, revealed without
 doubt the existence of petroleum.
 So far, the best result obtained was
 in Villamartin, 50 miles north of Ca-
 diz, where, after boring about 350
 feet, petroleum came to the surface
 and furnished about 40 gallons daily.
 The Spanish geological institute,
 shortly thereafter bored another well
 in the vicinity. Although the well was
 pushed deep 1,000 feet this flow
 could not be equal.

It is reported that as soon as
 possible, new investigations will be made
 in the zone between Villamartin, Bor-
 nos, Arcos de la Frontera and Espe-
 ra, where geologists agree that may
 lay the most important deposit of
 liquid petroleum in southern Spain,
 and perhaps in the country.
 In Castilla, at Robredo Abedo, near
 Burgos, the geological institute, a
 short time ago, had two wells sunk,
 one reaching 1,700 feet, the other
 over 2,000 feet. A meagre output of
 about 15 gallons of petroleum daily
 was secured. Boring there has re-
 reached nearly 2,500 feet lately, without
 improvement.

The institute has simultaneously
 begun experiments in the north of
 Spain where, at Ajo (province of
 Santander), near the coast, boring
 has passed 2,500 feet already and
 will be pushed as far as 3,500 feet if
 possible.

**Salary Governs
 Room Rent In
 Soviet Russia**

By United Press.
 MOSCOW—In Russia rooms are
 rented by the yard and paid for on
 the basis of a tenant's weekly wage.
 Bolshevism has evolved a rent law
 unparalleled anywhere else.
 The commissar of health establish-
 ed a minimum space necessary for a
 wholesome life for one person. This
 is called the "minimum norm." Any
 worker is entitled to this living space,
 and pays for it in proportion to his
 salary.

When two or more persons live to-
 gether, all earning money, the rate
 of rent for their room is fixed by
 the largest salary earned by one of
 its inhabitants. This makes the
 "nepmen," or private business men,
 extremely unpopular as tenants, be-
 cause it drives up the rent of all in
 their apartments to the higher level
 of their incomes.

But the "nepmen" are popular
 among co-operative house-building
 organizations, of which there are now
 450 in Moscow. To make both ends
 meet on the small payment of \$50 re-
 quired of members of co-operatives,
 one-tenth of the available living space
 in co-operative houses usually is sold
 or rented to non-members. Natu-
 rally, "nepmen" are preferred because,
 compared to others, they have such a
 large amount of money.
 Besides what they can get from the
 "nepmen," the housing co-operatives
 are assisted by state funds, which are
 generally loaned to them at 2 per
 cent interest, with repayment in 45
 years.
 The "minimum norm" officially
 declared able to support one life in
 good condition is fixed at about seven
 by seven feet, which can under cer-
 tain conditions be increased to about
 10 by 10 feet. Many concessions and
 exceptions are made, such as for stu-
 dents, whose rent is only five cents
 per month for each "minimum norm"
 they occupy.

**Sam Bernard
 Celebrates His
 Golden Jubilee**

By SHELLY PIERCE
 (United Press Staff Correspondent)
 NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Fifty
 years is a long time to make people
 laugh but Sam Bernard has succeed-
 ed in doing it. The comedian, who
 is observing his golden anniversary
 on the stage, has successfully bridged
 the gap between the era of long skirts
 and that of rolled socks and his hu-
 mor has kept fresh.
 Bernard is a graduate of the Bow-
 er school of comedy. The only other
 active alumni of the old music halls
 are Weber and Fields. All others
 have long since faded from the scene.
 The comedian recently opened the
 new Chanin Royale Theatre in
 "Piggy." Doings of "The Rich Mr.
 Hoggenger," a part created by
 Bernard many years ago, figure in
 the piece. His 17-year-old daughter,
 Rosalind plays with him.

IN THE COURTS.

Warranty Deeds.
 R. H. Hodges et al. to M. M. Rob-
 inson, lot 12, block 12, Hodges Oak
 Park addition to Ranger.
 P. J. O'Donnell to L. R. Pearson,
 west on half lot 9, block 21, Ranger.
 Mattie Cochran to R. Q. Lee, lots
 one and two, D. E. Waters sub-division
 of lot 1, block 108, Cisco.
 J. A. Bishop et al. to J. W. Gage,
 part of northeast corner of the C. H.
 O'Brien survey, Eastland county.
 G. W. Fisher, et ux to Joe H. Jones,
 lot 6, block "G," Connelley Place Ad-
 dition, Eastland.

40 acres of northwest one-fourth sur-
 vey 38, block 2, H. & T. C. Ry. com-
 pany survey, Eastland county.

**FLOYD DOYLE REPORTED
 OUT OF HOSPITAL**

Floyd Doyle, formerly with the
 Lone Star Gas company at Ranger,
 but who has recently been working
 for the company at Farmersville, was
 dismissed Friday from the Baylor
 hospital at Dallas, where he has been
 confined on account of an injury re-
 ceived at Josephine a week previous-
 ly.
 Mr. Doyle has a number of friends
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Eastland County Pioneer is Laid To Rest Saturday

Funeral services for John A. Nichols, 75 years old, pioneer Eastland county citizen who died at his home at Cisco Friday afternoon at 5:10 o'clock, were conducted Saturday afternoon at the family home, 600 Front street, Cisco. Hundreds of friends from throughout this section attended, many of whom were from Eastland.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Stanford, pastor of the First Methodist church at Cisco, assisted by Rev. Singleton, pastor of the First Methodist church of Eastland.

Interment was made in the Cisco cemetery where the wife of the deceased was buried two years ago.

Nichols was one of the early survivors of Texas, having survived the townships of Dallas and Mineral Wells, survived the line for the Texas & Pacific railroad from Cisco to Colorado, Texas, and remained in the employ of the railroad company for a number of years. The last years of his life were devoted to the dairying and nursery business. He was born at Philadelphia, Arkansas, and came to Texas in 1881, first making his home at Cisco, then Red Car, in 1881.

Nine children and nine grandchildren survive. The children are: Mrs. Neil Moore of Eastland; J. A. Nichols, Jr., of San Angelo; J. W. Nichols, Austin; Miss Eunice, Miss Frances and Louis Nichols of Cisco; Mrs. Beama Stansbury of Cisco; Mrs. O. R. Burks of Austin and Mrs. Tom Neill of Baird, Texas.

GONE TO CONVENTION OF TEXAS SHOE MEN

A. Williams and J. L. Clem, of Joseph's Store, Ranger, left today for Dallas to attend the Shoemen's Convention convening there the first three days of this week.

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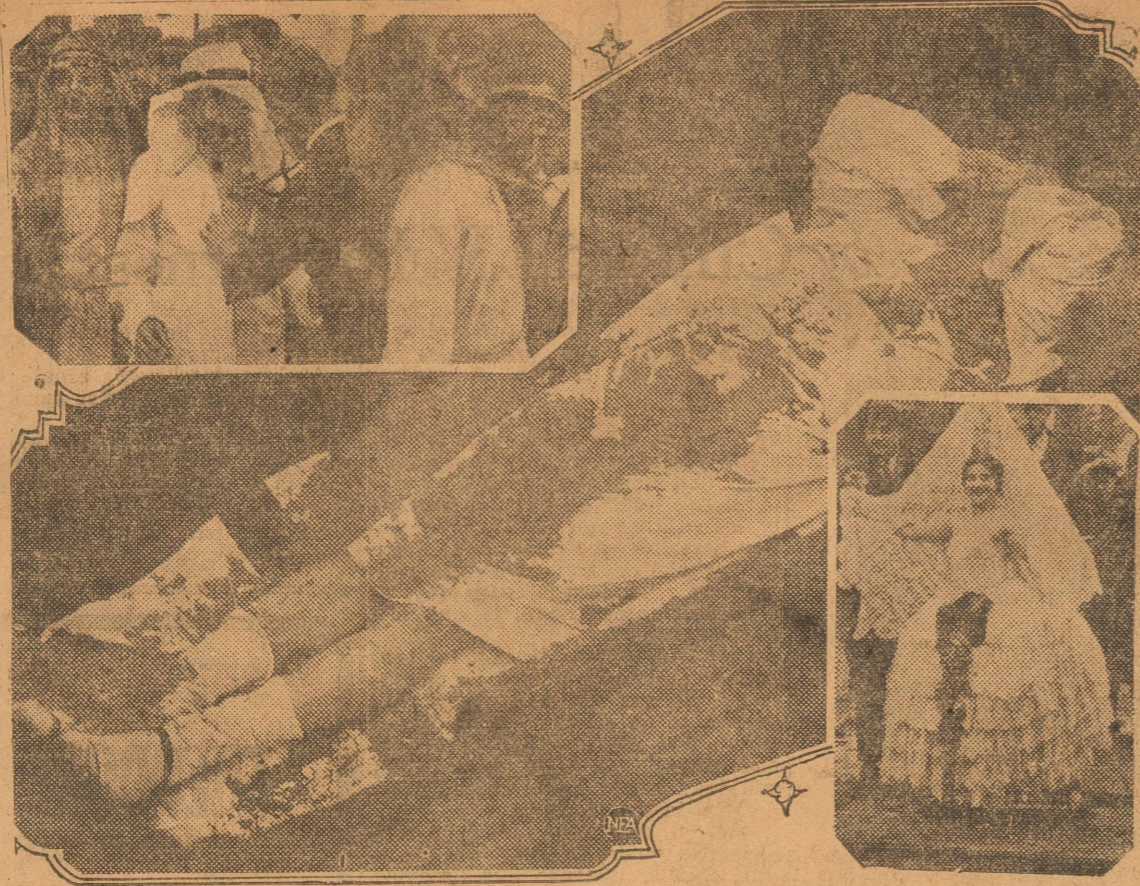
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Three Hours of Living Death



Although Hamid Bey, young Egyptian fakir, was buried alive for three hours at Englewood, N. J., his pulse, upon resurrection from his voluntary grave, was found to have accelerated not one beat. Before interment, he professed to place himself in a cataleptic trance. In the center he is shown as he was about to be covered by boards on which three feet of solid earth were tamped. (It was these boards which provided space and air necessary to life.) A physician stethoscoping his heart is seen above, while below, Senorita Heriberta Martinez dances on the grave while Hamid lay buried beneath.

Women Can Have Noses Overhauled As Well As Men

By FRANK H. BARTHOLOMEW (United Press Staff Correspondent) HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 31.—Noses can be overhauled by ladies of society or gentlemen of the box-fighting business when whim or necessity demands, but in motion pictures the public wants its noses straight, both as to outline and sincerity.

This statement was made today on the authority of Mae Murray of Broadway and Hollywood, who was recently embarrassed by an incident involving a New York society matron and the famed Murray nose.

Miss Murray, now the Princess Mdivini, following her recent marriage to a Georgian nobleman, has just returned to Hollywood from Paris where she has been resting after completing "The Merry Widow," and "Valencia," there.

Her return to studios was preceded by an erroneous news dispatch from Cincinnati to the effect that she had been in the hands of a famous surgeon there for an operation on her nose. The dispatch surprised her friends, and incidentally, Miss Murray herself. The Murray nose proved on arrival here to be the same, genuine article that had left some months ago, except for a slight tilt in the direction of one Mrs. Margaret Mergentime of Central Park West, New York.

Investigation developed that Mrs. Mergentime had gone to Cincinnati for a nose operation. Her husband had been unable to accompany her. Following the event Mrs. Mergentime, delighted with results, wired her spouse to this effect: "Operation a success. Will sign contract in Hollywood." (signed) Mae Murray.

The text of the wire leaked out before it was delivered, and about the time Mr. Mergentime was reading the telegram itself, Hollywood was reading news dispatches to the effect that Mae Murray of picture fame was returning with another nose.

Hollywood knows the Murray nose, and demanded that and none other. It has been pronounced by Paul Helru, Rolf Armstrong and Alfred Cheney Johnston as the most perfect feature on the American state.

Now that it has been returned safely intact and in original form, Mrs. Margaret Mergentime is still explaining to Princess Mdivini that she did not intend to take in vain the famous nose in pictures, but was merely assuring friend husband that she now had a proboscis comparable architecturally with the petite feature of Mae of the movies. Miss Murray has broken her contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer as a result of disagreement over suitable story material for the blond star and her next production may be made under the banner of a European concern. She wants to do "L'Aeolon," the first made famous by Bernhardt.

Ranger Masonic Lodge to Confer Degrees Tuesday

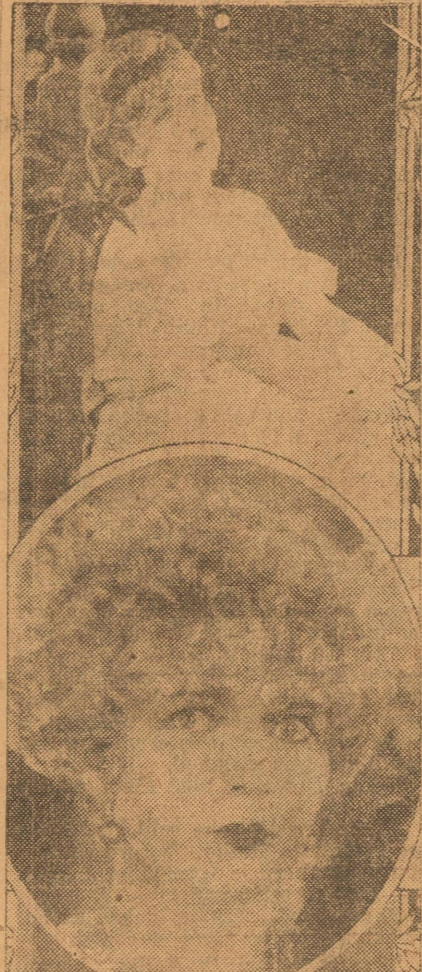
Ranger Masonic lodge will hold a special convention Tuesday night to confer the fellowcraft degree on two candidates. This will be the last work done by the lodge until after the first meeting in February, Thursday, Feb. 10.

The lodge is showing an unusual growth and the new timber is of the highest class. All visiting Masons are invited to attend and a full attendance is desired from members of the lodge.

Deputy District Clerk Is Home From Capital

W. H. McDonald, deputy district clerk, returned to his home here Sunday from Austin where he spent the last week transacting business. Mrs. McDonald and little sons, Ray Gene and Jack, visited her mother, Mrs. F. M. Hammond, at Lancaster, Texas, during the week.

REMARKABLE CHARACTERIZATION



What is considered the most remarkable characterization ever witnessed in the silent drama that is given by Belle Bennett in the title role of "Stella Dallas," an idea of which is picture above. In the top picture Miss Bennett portrays the girl of 20, very much in love. In the center she is the matron of 30. In the lower picture she is the heart-broken mother of 40.

No. 1546. NOTICE OF GUARDIAN'S APPLICATION TO MAKE MINERAL LEASE ON REAL ESTATE OF WARD.

The undersigned Mrs. Emma Phillips as guardian of the estate of Olena Lee May, minor, has this day made and filed her written application to the Honorable Judge of the County Court at Law for Eastland county, Texas, for authority to execute and join in the execution and delivery of an oil and gas lease upon said minor's undivided interest in a tract of about 50 acres of land, being out of the west part of the R. W. Mason survey in Eastland county, Texas, as fully shown by said application now on file with the papers in said cause No. 1546 in probate, in the county court at law for Eastland county, Texas, which application will be heard by the judge of said court at 10 o'clock a. m. on the 8th day of February, 1927, in the room of the county court at law in the courthouse of Eastland county, at Eastland, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said minor may appear and contest said application if they see proper to do so.

Given under my hand this 31st day of January, 1927.
MRS. EMMA PHILLIPS,
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The Minneapolis Driving Club conducts weekly harness races on an ice course laid out on Lake of the Isles for two months in the coldest part of the winter. The ice races have been conducted for 40 years.

Packer Advises Farmers to Go Into Poultry Raising

STAMFORD, Jan. 31.—Butter, poultry and eggs produced in the Lone Star state for years to come will be entirely consumed through Texas demands and other outlets with no danger of over production, according to word sent in to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Pushing their program for agricultural diversification and their move for more living at home, the big regional organization has sought an authoritative statement as to produce needs and possibilities of the state.

S. H. Middaugh, manager of Swift and Company, writing from the Fort Worth Stock Yards station says that Texas and other outlets will absorb every thing readily that can be produced in the butler, poultry and egg line for many years, provided proper attention is paid to quality of products. Further the manager urges that farmers of the state be encouraged to increase their volume of production saying that they will reap benefit themselves as well as promoting development of the state. The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, acting upon this information, is broadcasting through its regular channels this message as an incentive to the sweeping diversification move over the west.

Johnson Murder Case Will Come Up Wednesday

Retrial of the case of the State vs. C. A. Johnson, of Pioneer, charged with murder growing out of the fatal shooting of John Harris, at Pioneer, early in 1926, has been set for trial here Wednesday. A special venire of 100 has been ordered for jury selection.

The case was tried some six months ago, a verdict of guilty was returned by the jury which sentenced the defendant to serve five years in the state penitentiary. The case was reversed in the court of criminal appeals and a motion for new trial was granted.

The defense is represented by Judge J. T. Cunningham and Grisham brothers, while County Attorney J. Frank Sparks will be assisted in the prosecution by E. D. Shropshire.

Cat Frustrates Two Robbers At Work In Home

By United Press OCONTO, Wis., Jan. 29.—That a cat may guard a home from thieves as well as from mice, was proven here recently when "Pat" a 20-pound feline frustrated the attempts of two robbers in the home of his mistress, Mrs. Helen McClelland, here.

The cat startled by the entrance of the men, rushed to the bedroom where Mrs. McClelland slept and awakened her by jumping on the bed. She investigated the cause of the feline's agitation and heard the intruders making their escape.

88th District Court. Suits filed: Chas. O. Austin, comr. vs. J. D. Jamison, suit on promissory note, transferred from Potter county. W. S. Adamson, attorney for plaintiff. (Two petitions).

91st District Court. E. R. Ball et al. vs. D. H. Hall, et al., suit to try title. Allen Dabney attorney for plaintiff.

Marriage Licenses. The following were issued marriage licenses from the office of the Eastland county clerk Saturday, Jan. 29th: Harry Johns and Miss Jewel Allen, of Cisco; Samuel P. Burks and Miss Fannie Lois Cox, of Ranger; Oscar Fisher and Miss Annie Jones of Eastland.

The names of all the offsprings of the famous race horse, Man-O-War, have some warlike significance, such as Crusader, Scapa Flow, Mars, American Flag, Edith Cavell, etc.

Short Course Advertising Matter Ready

Advertising matter is now arriving in Ranger for the two days short course to be held in Ranger under the auspices of the International Harvester Company, in February.

Committees will soon be going out in the various communities to invite those people to come in and participate in this farmer's short course, at the same time stressing the strong educational value of it.

The school will be held at the Ranger high school auditorium and Dr. Bob Hodges has called a meeting for the early part of this week of the program committee, so that they may get under headway.

There will be three sessions of the school, being a morning, afternoon and night session.

There are just eight towns in the state of Texas who will have the privilege of enjoying this two days farmer's short course and it is hoped that the farmers throughout Eastland, Stephens and Palo Pinto counties will arrange to attend each day of it.

Greece is the most recent challenger of the Davis Cup. It is the thirty-first country to seek the valuable trophy since the first contest was played between the United States and Great Britain 28 years ago. Since that time 30 nations, representing Europe, North and South America, Australia and New Zealand have participated in the annual tennis competition.

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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE
To the home of PROF and MOLLIE ELWELL in Camdentville, Ind., one night in October, 1898, is brought a woman who had fainted on a train. Late that night the woman bears twin girls and then dies without revealing her name.

The story then moves forward 18 years. The twins, now growing to beautiful womanhood, have been adopted and named MARGARET and ELIZABETH. They are called RUS- TY and BETTY.

JIM ELWELL, the son, enlists in the World War. He then discovers that one of the twins loves him.

He is shell-shocked at the Battle of Sedan, and through a mixup, is registered as JOHN POWELL. He is removed to an American hospital and reported dead.

It is discovered that the father of the twins is dead and that they are nieces and heirs of JOHN CLAYTON, wealthy resident of Indianapolis. Shortly after this the Elwells get word that Jim is alive. They start for New York.

Meantime the steps leading to Jim Elwell's identification are recounted for. He is like a living dead man, but he is recognized by one MIKE HENNEGAN, ex-soldier and NURSE DOWNING declares she will go to Washington to learn more about him.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY
CHAPTER XXVI
"Now listen, Mike," said Nellie Downing before she left to prepare for her journey to Washington, "you didn't earn any medals in France; at least, you didn't get any. But behave yourself and keep out of crap games and perhaps you'll get a medal yet; you can't tell. Take good care of your friend, Jim, and I'll decorate you myself when I get back."

"And I'll be right here to get it, Captain!" retorted Mike, swelling his chest. This new responsibility imposed on him seemed to have made him proud of himself. "You can pin a rose on Jim, too, for me and Jim are just like that," and he held up a hand to show his crossed fingers. "So hurry back and bring Jim's family with you, kid pals and all."

With which words Mike Hennegan, laying tender, guiding hands on his charge, took Jim Elwell out for a walk.

Armed with the patient's name and the names of his father and mother and with the information that he had come from Indiana, Nellie Downing landed in Washington and proceeded to the war department, housed in the old state, war and navy building in Pennsylvania avenue close to the White House.

She did not see the president. She had no need to see the president. For some times red tape can be cut and action can be had—fast action.

At first the search took them off on a false track. There were several James Elwells from Indiana, but the records of these men all were clear.

There was another Elwell—a James T. Elwell of Camdentville, Ind., who had been reported dead at the Battle of Sedan. Killed in a shell explosion, together with four others of a machine gun unit of six.

His father's name was listed as Edwin, his mother's Mollie. "We've found him!" exclaimed Nellie Downing.

"But," the courteous officer who was assisting reminded her, "this man is dead. There's no doubt about that is there?"

"Very much of a doubt. I remember now that James Elwell, who man was listed as John Powell of Newark, New Jersey, was brought into the hospital at Metz where I worked with the report that he was the sole survivor of a machine gun unit of six that had been blown to pieces at the Battle of Sedan.

"What seems to have happened is a mixup in the identification of John Powell and James Elwell. John Powell is the one who was killed at Sedan. John Powell's mother and sweetheart visited the patient at the hospital in Long Island and failed to recognize him as their son. That proved he wasn't John Powell. It also left John Powell unaccounted for. Now that the man up in Long Island is identified as James Elwell, you are safe in guessing what became of the other man."

The officer nodded slowly. "Such



"Before you see your son there is something I have to tell you."

mistakes can be made, of course, although they don't happen often. It seems strange, too, that the identification tags were missing from the two men. Otherwise there wouldn't have been such a mixup."

She was satisfied, Nellie Downing told him, that the puzzle had been solved. Would the war department notify James Elwell's parents of the mistake?

"The department would, the officer assured her. "And if there's still a mistake the parents would see it, of course."

But it would have to go through the orthodox channels, he told her, whereupon Nellie Downing frowned and pleaded impudently that he take it upon himself to see the thing through.

"Every minute you wait is torture to his people out in Indiana." But not half so torturing, he hastened to tell her, with a wry smile, as the realization of the fact that Jim Elwell was now little more than a living dead man.

"From what you tell me, Miss Downing, it is one of the worst cases of shell-shock I have heard of. One of the most pitiful, at least. Why, the man is worse than an imbecile. It would be far less cruel to his parents, and to himself, if he were dead."

Whereupon Nellie Downing cried. She had been under a severe strain and she was very tired. She broke down.

"Oh, I'm sorry," the man told her, and assisted her to a chair. "Perhaps, after all, there is something that can be done for him. If I ever hear of anyone who can help him I'll remember it—for you," and he smiled.

Twenty-four hours later Nellie Downing was back at the hospital on Long Island. Her determined efforts had obtained immediate action. The Elwells in Camdentville had been notified. Word had gone to Mrs. John W. Powell in Newark that apparently reliable information had been received to indicate that her son was dead.

That is how it came about that

gazed at Mollie with a look of helplessness. They were two strayed sheep lost in the wilderness of Grand Central Station, New York City.

A wolf in sheep's clothing rushed up to them. He was a "runner" for a cheap hotel where they stung them quick and stung them hard.

"Hotel, sir?" he queried hurriedly, his weather eye open for any station detective who might have noticed him take the trail of his prospective prey. "Modern in every way, sir reduced rates for tourists an' close to the station."

Prof and Mollie followed, for they had no other recourse, it seemed to them. It was too late, they had agreed, to go all the way to Long Island that night. They were tired and excited. A good night's sleep and they would be calm and fresh for Jim in the morning.

And so they followed their self-appointed guide, followed him for an interminable distance, it seemed, got soaked six dollars for a room—a terrible room that looked out on the tracks of the elevated—and spent a nerve-racking and sleepless night.

Prof Elwell seldom had felt the call to swear in terms of graphic Billingsgate English. But there is a limit to any man's powers of restraint. To pay six dollars for the privilege of listening to a ten-hour racket of rushing elevated trains, to be treated, in addition, like a couple of suspicious characters and to be planted in this dingy room might cause a saint to forego himself and swear.

That night Prof Elwell swore—not loud, but deep, and with splendid fluency. Mollie didn't censure him. There are times when the best of folks would like to curse a little and Mollie's grandfather had been something of an artist with the Billingsgate himself.

But all things earthly come to an end, even a night in a "badger" hotel. Six o'clock in the morning found Prof and Mollie dressed and waiting to go out to breakfast. Eight o'clock found them in a taxicab crossing a bridge on their way to see Jim. They first had called up the hospital and apprised Nellie Downing of their coming.

Third avenue was just a hideous experience already forgotten. Their hearts and minds were attuned to a melody that had nothing in part with the night before and carried no discordant note of premonition. It was a sun of a golden day that was shining for them—or so they thought.

And, while their hearts were beating to a little song of anticipation, that of a nurse in the hospital they were rapidly approaching was crying a protest against the cruel duty to which she was assigned.

Nellie Downing met them at the door.

"Mrs. Elwell," she said, "addressing herself to Mollie, 'before you see your son there is something I want to—have to tell you.'"

She paused. Mollie looked at her quickly. Prof's frown clenched.

"Don't tell me," Mollie began, "that it was a mistake. Don't tell me—"

Nurse Downing interrupted. "No, he is alive, but before you see him let me explain his case. You must be prepared to—"

"Please tell me—at once," Mollie Elwell insisted.

Nellie Downing's eyes flinched, but

Prof Elwell stopped, dropped the two suitcases he was carrying and

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she plunged ahead. "James Elwell," she said, "has been shell-shocked. He has no memory—"

A sharp intake of breath from Mollie. Prof caught her hand in his own.

"He has no mind," went on Nellie Downing. "He can walk, but he does not think. He has learned to feed himself and a few simple tasks like putting on part of his clothing. He does not talk. He does not remember anything or anyone."

She stopped and looked expectantly at Jim's mother. Prof stood ready. But if they had expected her to faint or to cry out at the blow, they were wrong.

Mollie Elwell said, simply. "Take me to my boy."

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In the next chapter Mollie Elwell tries to see if a mother's kiss can stir her boy's memory.

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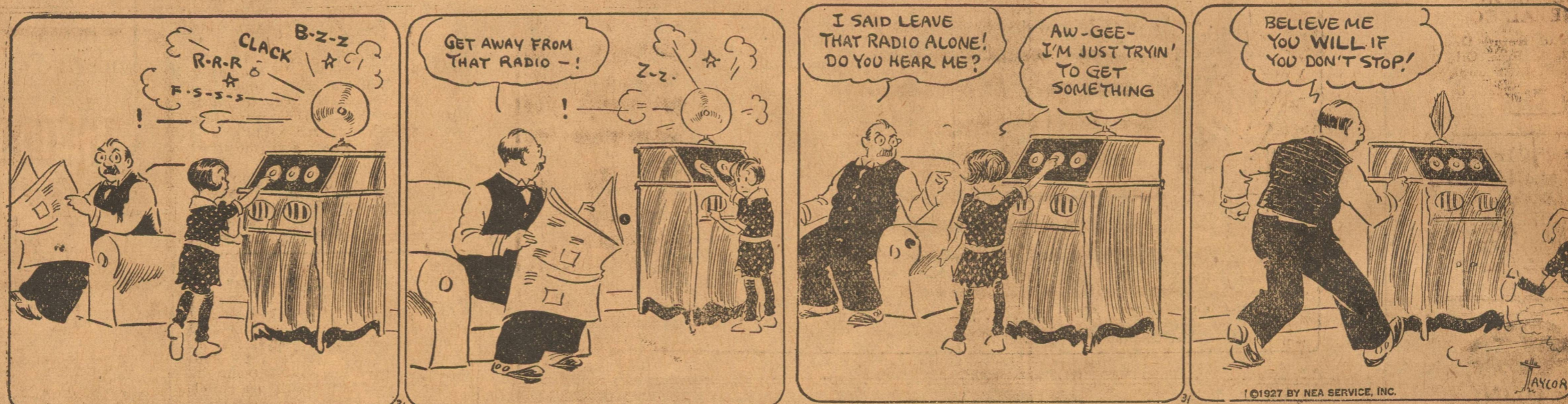
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By Taylor

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NATIONALISM MOVEMENT MEANS SOLUTION OF THE CHINESE PROBLEM IN 1927

By RANDALL GOULD (United Press Staff Correspondent) PEKING.—Will 1927 witness a solution of the Great Chinese Puzzle? A few weeks ago the asking without such a question would have brought a smile to the face of anyone versed in China's complex political, military and economic tangles. While it is equally true that no complete solution can be achieved in a single year, observers here feel that movements tending toward such a solution are so definitely under way that 1927 will prove by far the most significant years of the Chinese Republic yet recorded. Chinese wars, Chinese political overthrows, Chinese pleas and demands for freedom from foreign oppression, have become commonplace in the news columns. Many students of international affairs feel on the point of abandoning the ungrateful task of trying to understand the incomprehensible. But times in China are changing and the saving element of sanity is beginning to creep into Chinese affairs. This does not mean that the country is due for an over-night change of heart and body. Disorders exist, and they may conceivably grow. Foreigners in China may find the country increasingly difficult to live in and to profit from. But these are minor details if the great underlying trend is toward growth, and unity, and the eventual result, perhaps, true enough, to be achieved only after many years, should be beneficial both to Chinese and to foreigners. Nationalism has become a living force in the country, and it is Nationalism, in the view of forward-looking Chinese and foreign observers alike, which will in time bring about this growth and unity. By the word Nationalism one does not necessarily mean any given group of political or military leaders. Canton, cradle of the Nationalist movement, saw many an internal overturn before the present important northern campaign was ever started. Doubtless there will be many more. Individuals are less important than the cause in this movement, and no one realizes it better than do the present leaders. It is entirely reasonable that newspaper readers in other lands should have found the various enterprises of Wu Pei-fu, Chang Tso-lin, Tsao Kun, Li Yuen-hung and the rest confusing and tedious. In general, the exploits of such gentry as the foregoing may be dismissed, from the standpoint of the ordinary newspaper reader, as comparatively unimportant and devoid of significance. This may seem a broad assertion, considering the fact that their doings have made up the bulk of the news from China for years back. It is an assertion based on a single fact which seems indisputable, namely, that each of the various luminaries which has thus far flashed across the Chinese sky and vanished has based his achievements solely on a personal basis. Sun Yat-Sen The one exception was the late Sun Yat-sen. Dr. Sun was the one notable figure with both ideas and ideals. Impractical and almost futile in actual life he may have been, as his critics charge, but it is "Sun" who alone of them all who lives and will continue to live as "the Lenin of the Nationalist Movement of China." Let it be emphasized once more that this is a wholly non-partisan statement. Nationalism has gone completely beyond any single group, though the Nationalist Government is at present dominated by the only real political party in China today—the Kuomintang, or People's Party. Indeed, proponents of the Nationalist movement see in its very universality its greatest danger, that it will become so diluted as to be unmanageable. Success Certainly the continued success of Nationalism is bound to bring more and more men of diverse ideas into the fold. Already the radicals, the idealists, cede under the restraints imposed by the practical business men with whom they are allied. Nationalism may yet serve to unite the country only to afford a scene for many a hard-fought battle of varying ideas and purposes. But for the time being, Nationalism is furnishing the one real platform which may be found in all China; it is giving a rallying-point and a cause beyond the mere exploitation of some so-called "strong men." So far as there is any public opinion in China, it seems to favor Nationalism. So far as there is unselfish devotion to any cause in China the Nationalists have it all to themselves. To be Continued)

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The youth was employed in a cleaning establishment and had been cleaning his clothes. He went to his home and was preparing lunch when it is believed fumes from the cleaning material became ignited. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist church.

MR. AND MRS. J. C. SMITH HAVE GONE TO DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith of J. C. Smith Store, Ranger, are in Dallas for a few days the fore part of this week in the interest of their store.

Mr. Smith is attending the State men's Convention, while Mrs. Smith is purchasing new spring goods for their big department store.

George Young, 17-year-old conqueror of the Catalina channel, now is writing "the story of his life." There's a tip for Baby Peggy.

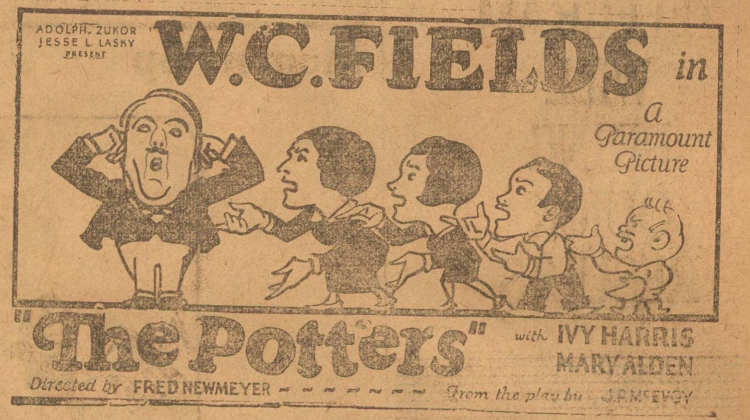
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