

FORTIETH LEGISLATURE IS OPENED TODAY

Trial of Rev. J. Frank Norris Begins Today

SELECTION OF JURY BEGINS 3 CHOSEN BY NOON

Objections to Death Penalty and Opinion Formed Chief Reasons

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—The trial of Dr. J. Frank Norris, on charges of slaying J. E. Chipp, began officially this morning when both the state and the defense said "ready."

The selection of the jury began immediately, and the first prospect was called to the stand.

Objections to the death penalty and admittance of having formed an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant, were the chief reasons for the rejection of ten out of thirteen veniremen by the state and defense during the morning session of the trial of Dr. J. Frank Norris, on charges in connection with the slaying of J. E. Chipp, Fort Worth lumberman.

Three jurors were selected by both sides following announcement by the defense "it was ready for trial without reservations." Two of the jurors said they did not belong to any church, while one professed the Methodist faith.

Interest was centered on the questions asked by the state and the defense, which included: "Do you object to the death penalty?"

"Do you believe that a minister of the gospel has the same right as every free born citizen to protect his life?"

"Have you ever tuned in on station KSQB (Norris church radio station)?"

"Does the Searchlight come to your home?"

"Do you believe in the law of self-defense?"

A few women were in the court room and they, for the most part directed their attention toward the pastor who sat wearing his overcoat, with face toward the judge. Norris talked freely and ones complained about the lack of heat in the court room.

Wide Not There
Mrs. Chipp, divorced widow of the slain man, was not present in the court room, but her son was sitting there with the state council.

It is not expected much trouble will be encountered in Austin in selecting a jury from the 500 veniremen summoned. The case will be heard by Judge James R. Hamilton, an elderly jurist with many years of service to his credit.

Star Witness
The star witness during the trial probably will be L. H. Nutt who saw the shooting. About 100 witnesses have been summoned. It is estimated the trial will last about three weeks.

E. E. Chipp Jr., son of the slain man has filed a \$150,000 damage suit.

SPAIN TO CELEBRATE POET'S THIRD CENTENARY
MADRID, Spain is preparing to celebrate on May 23, the third centenary of one of its famous poets, Luis de Gongora y Argote, who introduced to literature style known as "Gongorism."

Resolved that I'm not going to let any election in 1927 catch me without a poll tax receipt. Only 17 more days left in which to pay your poll tax.

BARNES BOYS TRIAL NEARS END

ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENSE CLOSE SPEECHES NOON

Cleve Barnes and His Wife and Daughters Testify As To Alibi

STEVENSVILLE, Jan. 11.—Closing arguments by the defense started shortly before noon today in the joint trial of Luke and Cleve Barnes charged with the slaying of policeman James Daniels of Ranger in 1925.

Closing arguments of the prosecution will get under way this afternoon and the case is expected to go to the jury tonight.

Cleve Barnes, who is charged with the actual slaying, for which his brother is also standing trial, took the stand at the close of the afternoon session, Monday, in an attempt to prove an alibi as to his whereabouts on the night of the slaying.

Wife and Two Daughters
Barnes' wife and two daughters claimed he was home on the night and the day following the shooting of Daniels.

He denied ever having met Erwin Bush, star witness for the state, until many months after Daniels was killed. Bush testified to being present and seeing Cleve Barnes shoot Daniels to death just before day-break February 8, 1925. Barnes declared, "I always considered Jimmie Daniels my friend. We often did favors for each other and when a liquor case against me was tried five times, Jimmie testified at each trial for me."

The defendant also denied having told Dr. T. J. Earnest that he, Cleve Barnes, had killed Daniels. On cross examination, Barnes said that he had now serving three sentences in prison, two in car cases and one on a liquor charge. He is out on furlough granted by Governor Ferguson during the trial for murder. Barnes said he thought that 10 gaming charges, five in county court and five in district court, had been made against him some years ago, but that only one was tried and he was acquitted.

Federal Court
He said he had also been charged in Federal court with two offenses. The defendant stated that Dr. Earnest had signed the bond of Luke Barnes, his brother, and that the doctor and he had discussed the case until Cleve re-affirmed that he had not told Earnest that he, Cleve, had killed Daniels. The defendant testified earnestly and calmly. Luke Barnes, his brother, who is also on trial, did not take the stand.

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Mrs. Jane Y. McCallum, of Austin, prominent club woman, was appointed secretary of state.

Former Governor Joseph B. Sayres of Austin, is chairman of the board of prison advisors and W. Boyd Gatewood, of Houston, newspaper writer, will be Moody's secretary.

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TEXAS PACIFIC PLAN TO DEEPEN WELL ON BUTLER

Plans are being made by the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil company for a deep test well on the J. E. Butler lease, off the old Eastland road, on Eastland Hill, near Ranger.

This well which is their Butler No. 27 was drilled in late in the summer of 1926. It came in with a light showing of oil at 3400 feet and was put on the pump, but was a very small producer. Recently the company, which is Eastland county's pioneer oil company, decided to convert the well into a deep test, so plans are now to drill it to a new depth of 4,000 feet.

The Butler No. 28 was shot Saturday and they are now running the liner and cleaning out. It looks like it will be good for ten barrels. This well was drilled to 3695 and then plugged back to the first showing of oil at 3480.

In both of these tests the depth is greater than in boom day wells, for the pay sand was usually found around 3440 at that time.

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LARGEST TAX APPEAL CASE OPENED TODAY

Original Stockholders of Ford Company Are Fighting Assessment

By FOSTER EATON, United Press Staff Correspondent. DETROIT, Jan. 11.—The largest and probably most significant tax appeal case in the history of America, involving approximately \$32,000,000 alleged to be due the federal government from the \$75,000,000 purchase of all outstanding stock of the Ford Motor company by Henry Ford in 1919, has opened today.

The hearing commenced in a hotel ballroom because of lack of space in federal court.

Petitioners in the action, which will be heard by these members of the federal board of tax appeals include nine original stockholders of the Ford Motor company who paid \$100 a share for their stock 23 years ago and sold it back to Ford 16 years later at prices ranging from \$12,500 to \$13,444.43.

The individual petitioners have already paid approximately \$20,000,000 in taxes as a result of the transaction which brought absolute control of the Ford company into the hands of the Ford family. Their names, the number of shares they relinquished, and the tax still held to be due from each, are:

United States Senator James Couzens, 2,180 shares, \$9,455,303.10; John F. Dodge estate, 1,000 shares, \$4,337,295.20; Horace Dodge estate, 1,000 shares, \$4,337,295.20; H. Rackham, 1,000 shares, \$4,337,295.20; Alice Gray Kales (X), 525 shares, \$2,277,309.05; David Gray, 525 shares, \$2,277,079.88; Paul R. Gray, 525 shares, \$2,277,079.88; Phillip H. Gray, 525 shares, \$2,277,079.88; John W. Anderson, 325 shares, \$1,438,326.35; Rosetta V. Hauss, 20 shares, \$84,040.83.

(X) The Kales tax was paid and is now the subject of a special federal court suit for recovery here. Following payment the internal revenue bureau allowed a reduction in tax of all the petitioners which accounts for smaller tax in the case of the Grays with a similar number of shares.

The chief point at issue in the case is what constituted a fair valuation of the Ford stock on March 1, 1919, the date on which the federal income tax law became operative, and from which the tax on the sale was computed.

Shortly before the sale was consummated in 1919, Daniel C. Roper, then internal revenue commissioner, after an exhaustive survey of the affairs of the Ford Motor company, placed a valuation of \$9,489.34 per share of the stock, as of March 1, 1913. The difference between that price and the subsequent sale price represented the income on which \$20,000,000 taxes already have been paid.

On March 13, 1925, however, Internal Revenue Commissioner David H. Blair set aside the Roper valuation of \$9,489.34 per share, recomputed the price at \$2,634, and levied the special assessment of \$32,000,000 additional. Because of the large sums involved, upper bracket tax percentages applied and taxes of approximately 73 per cent were levied against the income from the sale.

With the exception of Mrs. Kales all of the petitioners refused to pay the assessment, filed claims of abatement, and posted bonds as required. In the case of Senator Couzens the bond amounted to \$12,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Thirty-two full pardons, two restorations of citizenship, five paroles, one extension of furlough, three bond forfeitures, one commutation and two jail sentence remissions, were granted today by the governor, making a grand total of 3,176 clemency proclamations.

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WOMAN PUTS THE HOUSE IN ORDER; HISTORY

Senate Organized And Selects Officers For The Entire Session

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—The fortieth regular session of the Texas legislature convened at noon today and for the first time in the history of the state a woman presided over the house of representatives. She being Mrs. Emma Grimes McFlurg of Plainview, secretary of state under appointment of governor Miriam A. Ferguson, Texas' first woman governor.

The secretary of state is to preside over the house until it has completed its organization. Representative Robert Lee Bobbitt, of Laredo, is to be elected as speaker without opposition.

Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller of Dallas is to preside over the senate.

Wood Named.
The senate immediately after organization elected Senator J. E. Wood, of Granger, president pro tem, who will serve in that capacity until the day of final adjournment, when another president pro tem is to be elected to serve during the legislative recess.

W. V. Howerton, after the senate caucus this morning was elected secretary.

Albert W. Holt was re-elected sergeant-at-arms and John B. Coffey was re-elected journal clerk, all three from Austin.

Both branches of the legislature are expecting to complete their organization early this afternoon and a message will be sent the governor notifying her that the legislature is ready for business.

The governor is expected to send the legislature her biennial message, either this afternoon or in the morning.

The house was opened by prayer by Rev. W. E. Harrison, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Austin.

Enabling Act.
One of the early bills to be introduced will be an enabling act putting into effect the constitutional amendment adopted last year authorizing the formation of school districts by vote of the citizens in the district.

The present law requires that such district be created by act of the legislature. With this change in the law, the legislature will be relieved of a great mass of local bills.

House Committee.
Lee Satterwhite of Amarillo, retiring speaker, as said to be slated for the chairmanship of the house penitentiaries committee, provided Claude Teer of Granger is offered and accepts the chairmanship of the appropriations committee.

Satterwhite is interested in prison affairs, having made a thorough investigation of conditions at the farms recently. He has prepared a bill providing for the centralization of the prison in Fort Bend county, to be introduced early in the session.

J. P. Wallace of Teague or H. T. Brown of Jacksonville are reported to be possible appointees to the chairmanship of the house education committee. New members will not receive any important chairmanships.

FARWELL, Texas, Jan. 11.—Corroborative testimony by the state counsel bearing out the alleged confession of George Hassell, to the wholesale slaughter of his family of nine was entered on the records during the morning session of the trial of the ranchman.

Hassell refused to plea and his counsel apparently had no witnesses to introduce. The state called only one witness, Mrs. Guidry, only surviving child of Mrs. Hassell, and she identified a ring found in Hassell's possession as one worn by Alto Hassell.

Young Hassell, was shot to death with a shotgun, as he lay asleep by his step father, according to the slayer's confession and was the ninth member of the family killed.

Mrs. Guidry came from California to attend the trial.

The case will probably go to the jury during the afternoon and a quick verdict is expected according to announcement.

Pay Poll Tax New



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FROM THE HOLY WRIT.
 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.—II Tim. 3-16.

Prayer: O Lord grant us peace and with it understanding, so that we may better serve Thee and our fellow man. Make our nation an advocate of peace.

NEW COURTHOUSE.
 The lack of room in which to keep the records of Eastland county, which is daily getting more numerous, is a problem that is bothering Eastland county officers. Not an office in the old courthouse is large enough for the working force to say nothing of the records that it is necessary to have at hand at all times. And besides those records that are in use there are many others, that have accumulated during the years since the organization of the county, that must be kept. The small basement in the building, which was made for a storage place for county records, has long been filled to overflowing.

Not only is the fact that they haven't sufficient room for the records, worrying the officers, or at least those of them who are charged with the responsibility of preserving the records, but the danger of the records being destroyed by fire, which is entirely possible since the old courthouse is nothing like fire-proof, is also a matter of much concern to them.

There is not an officer in the county, whose efficiency and that of his assistants, is not cut down because of the inadequate working facilities in the way of room, desks, etc., it is declared by those who have made a close study of the situation.

Besides the fact that the old courthouse is inadequate so far as room and modern facilities go, there is a constant fear on the minds of those whose duties require that they spend more or less time in the building, that the big heavy roof, which has already given away in many places, will collapse and perhaps kill and maim many people.

About a year ago engineers were brought to Eastland to inspect the building. These men, after an examination, stated that the roof was unsafe and might collapse any time causing more or less damage to the building and kill or injure many people. Local carpenters and contractors, familiar with the construction of such buildings, have expressed the opinion that the building is unsafe.

Some time ago petitions were prepared to be circulated for signatures asking the county commissioners to order an election for the purpose of determining whether the people desired to vote bonds in a sufficient amount to build and equip a new courthouse, but the petitions were never circulated.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.
 Building and loan associations have proven their value in building communities by aiding home builders the past year in Eastland and Ranger. Both associations are young, hardly more than a year old, yet they have aided quite a few to buy and build homes, who otherwise would be paying rent. In addition to aiding the home builder have earned a profit for the investor in their stocks. Both associations show dividends. Building and loan associations enable families to buy a home like paying rent. The difference between a rent receipt and a receipt from a building and loan association is the bushel of one will not buy a pound of potatoes, while the bushel of the other will buy a home.

The wage earner whether single or married who invests his savings in building and loan stock, the safest of all investments known, practices thrift. Thrift helps to build up a nation. A thrifty nation has never been known to fall. The strength of the Hollanders and the Swiss is thrift of its people.



SOCIETY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

TONIGHT
 Pastime Club meets with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jameson at 7:30 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY
 New Era Bridge club meets at 2:30 at the Gholson.
 Rotary Luncheon at 12:15 at the Gholson.

Prayer meeting at all churches in the evening.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS TOMORROW.
 The New Era club will hold its annual election of officers tomorrow afternoon in conjunction with the regular program and all members of the club are asked to be present on this most important occasion as each one should be interested in voting on those who are to be head of their club for the coming two years.

COUNTY FEDERATION TO MEET HERE.
 Eastland County Federation will meet here on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. W. Housewright at 2:30 o'clock. There will be an election of officers and all clubs are asked to have their representatives present so that they may have a vote in the election.

PERSONALS
 Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carlisle of Pampa, is visiting Mrs. J. L. Hunt of Ranger, and extending their visit to include Eastland, Weatherford, Houston and San Antonio.

TEE PEE ENTRE-NOUS CLUB ON SATURDAY
 The Tee Pee Entre-Nous Bridge Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cooze, at their home in the T. P. Camp on Saturday evening. High score prize for ladies went to Mrs. R. J. Fleckenstein and high score prize for men to Mr. Farnsworth of Fort Worth.

After the game delicious refreshments were served to Messrs. and Mrs. R. J. Fleckenstein, C. G. Ward, C. F. Baker, Coke Martin, L. A. Hartung, R. C. Stidham, C. S. Bronstadt, Miss Alta Latimer and Mrs. Jones; Messrs. Lewis Latimer, Farnsworth and Walter Bailey.

MRS. LON HAYDEN GIVEN SURPRISE PARTY
 Mrs. Lon Hayden was given a very pleasant surprise Saturday night by her husband, in honor of her birthday. A number of her friends were invited in to share the evening with her and no one had more pleasure out of the surprise than did the hostess. After spending a pleasant evening together, delicious refreshments brought the close to a perfect day.

Those invited were, Messrs. and Mrs. Ross Gibbs, M. L. Ekas, Jack Kahrs of Olden, C. C. Robely, John Mayes of Eastland, W. M. Cross, E. C. Swoveland, O. Hamblen, T. E. Vaughan, Ed Brink, Max Orr, N. O. White, Rice, Henry Purcer, A. Purcer, E. C. Stidham, Rogers, John McKinney, E. H. Chaplin, Sam Tharpe, A. T. McKinley, Mrs. Elsie Austin of Beaumont and Mildred Hamblen.

RAREYS TO BE HERE FRIDAY.
 Mrs. A. N. Harkrider today received a letter from Mrs. Frank Rarey in which she stated that she and Mr. Rarey would arrive in Ranger sometime Friday night, via automobile. They will only remain in the city a few days.

CHEERFUL WORKERS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEET.
 The Cheerful Workers and the Missionary society of the Christian church, met in joint session Monday afternoon with Mrs. Andy Anderson. It was missionary day and Mrs. B. D. Flores gave the Bible reading. Mrs. H. B. Johnson the devotional reading, and Mrs. Lon Haring and W. W. Housewright made interesting talks on Africa.

Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess. The Cheerful Workers will meet with Mrs. C. C. Seigler next Monday.

A Bad Fit?

W. M. U. WORKS AND PLANS.
 Members of the Women's Missionary union of the First Baptist church of Ranger met at 1:30 Monday afternoon and spent the hours quilting and making plans for the celebration of the anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Johnson's coming to their church, which will be held on Jan. 25.

The attendance was splendid and two quilts were almost completed during the afternoon.

SOME THINGS THE CHILD WELFARE CLUB HAS DONE.
 The Child Welfare club whose annual report appears elsewhere in this paper, has done a lot of things besides those shown in their financial statement. They have gone into many homes and brought cheer and comfort to the sick and to the members of their families. At Christmas time, in fact on Christmas eve, word was brought to the Christmas cheer chairman while she was shopping that three little children were barefooted, and she dropped her own work and hastened to find the kiddies and buy them shoes and stockings. One little boy who was badly burned was taken to the Shrine hospital through the efforts of the club and is now getting back to normal. In one family, the father lay sick for months with cancer, and finally died. The children were undernourished and it was the Child Welfare club that supplied them with milk and other necessities for months, and finally paid their way to the mother's family. One family, ill and partially blind, received aid each month. One little girl through the Child Welfare was cured of a tubercular knee and there are many other cases, not so outstanding perhaps but relatively as important to the ones who were benefitted by the club.

In this week of their annual drive for pledges and in connection with the publication of their statement. These little side lights on some of their activities are most pertinent.

Eastland Scout Training Class Holds First Meet
 More than twenty men attended the opening session of the Boy Scout training class in Eastland last night. The meeting was held in the Sikes building, just west of the postoffice on West Main street. Much interest in the work was manifested by those present and a larger attendance is expected at the next meeting, which will be held at the same place. It will be held next Tuesday night, however, instead of next Monday night, as the Elks meet on Monday night and a number of the members of that organization wish to attend the scout training class.

Gus N. Quirl, scout executive from Abilene, had charge of the meeting last night. Alex Clark acted as temporary scoutmaster.

The following patrol leaders were appointed at the meeting last night: Horace Conley, J. N. Hooper and O. D. Caldwell.

According to the interstate commerce commission the motor bus is regularly covering more mileage as a factor in transportation than the railroads. In the report issued by the commission the investigators found 45,417 motor trucks being operated for the exclusive transportation of goods.

Morton Valley Rally Will Be Last of Series

An educational rally, which is the last of a series to have been held in the rural schools of Eastland county, will be held this evening at Morton Valley, six miles north of Eastland. A similar meeting was held at New Hope school, mid-way between Garman and Carbon last evening.

Among those on the program for the meeting at Morton Valley tonight are L. H. Alredge, Morton Valley, Mrs. G. D. Holbrook of Colony school, Mrs. Virginia Vandiver, Bedford, Miss Maurine Gorley, Yellow Mound, and Miss Beulah Speer, county school superintendent.

The meeting at New Hope last evening was well attended and much interest was manifested, especially by the patrons and trustees. W. J. Minor, principal of the Kokomo school, with his 7th grade pupils demonstrated the methods used by him in teaching spelling and United States history. Miss Speer spoke on Standardization of Schools, care of free text books, county fair and county meet. G. S. Eldridge spoke on high school work in the rural communities. There was also a round-table discussion in which all took part.

These educational rallies, which have been held in all of the most centrally located communities with the adjacent communities co-operating, have been generally well attended by both teachers and patrons. Miss Speer, county school superintendent, states, and she feels that they have been well worth while.

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Nine Buildings Destroyed and 16 Families Are Out

By United Press.
 NEWBURGH, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Nine buildings were destroyed and several damaged by fire in the business district of Newburgh today. The damage is estimated at \$300,000. Sixteen families were made homeless and several firemen injured.

Senate Seeks Information On Prohibition

By United Press.
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Prohibition officers were formally requested by the senate today to reveal how much money had been spent by under-cover prohibition agents in establishing the location of stills, saloons and "speak-easies," to traffic liquor law violators, together with all the information regarding activities of these agents.

The resolution was introduced by Senator Reed of Missouri and adopted without opposition.

Hospital Board Will Organize This Afternoon

The new board of the City-County hospital, met at the hospital in Ranger this afternoon, to elect officers for the ensuing term and to make plans for the work which the new year will bring to them.

The personnel of the newly elected board includes Dr. Ferguson of Eastland, Dr. Jackson of Carbon, Mrs. C. C. Robey of Eastland, R. R. Stafford and Dr. Bob Hodges of

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Ranger, the present president. Miss Grace Stewart, the new superintendent, will meet with the board.

Facists Fight Birth Control Propaganda

ROME.—Mussolini's boast of his countrymen, that "prolific we are and prolific we intend to remain" is the key-note of the campaign against birth control propaganda organized by the Fascist government.

A great number of Italian workmen, estimated at well over a million, who traveled between France and their native country were said to be the cause of the spreading of birth control propaganda with which the laborer had become imbued during their stay beyond the Alps.

The Fascist government, acting in close union with the Catholic church, immediately took steps to combat the introduction of such practices into Italy, and the determined opposition of the Mussolini government led to the inclusion in the new police law of a section dealing with the subject.

Clause 113 of the new police code declares that all writings, advertisements, pamphlets, designs, plastic images or lectures which divulge, explain or advertise means for preventing conception or avoiding its results are considered immoral and are forbidden under penalties.

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 LEAVES EASTLAND to Cisco, Coleman, Ballinger, San Angelo, Abilene, Sweetwater, 9:35 a. m., 11:35 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 6:35 p. m., 7:35 p. m., 11:10 p. m.
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 LEAVES EASTLAND to Ranger, Strawn, Palo Pinto, Mineral Wells, Weatherford, Fort Worth, 8:05 a. m., 10:55 a. m., 2:00 p. m., 4:20 p. m., 7:55 p. m., 10:35 p. m.
 LEAVE RANGER to Strawn, Palo Pinto, Mineral Wells, Weatherford, Fort Worth, 8:25 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 4:40 p. m., 8:20 p. m., 11:00 p. m.
 At Eastland Catch Bus at West Texas Coaches Depot, Phone 00
 At Ranger Gholson Hotel, Agent, Phone 150

Highway Problem Up to Legislature For Solution

By United Press.
AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 11.—The highway problem, Texas law makers assembling here today for the fortieth legislative session were confronted with those three words as though they were flouted in their faces from screaming bill boards.

During the Ferguson administration, the highway problem was the object of suits brought by the attorney general to recover alleged excessive profits. It was the subject of a legislative investigation, and newspapers devoted more space to highway matters than to possibly any other one local subject.

In addition to the highway situation, there is the widest variety of legislation, including the cotton situation, insurance, school amendments, legalizing boxing and horse racing, creation of various state boards such as barbers and chiropractors and so on ad infinitum.

Highway legislation will be by far the principle subject, however, because there is scarcely a man who took the oath of office today, who did not during his campaign last summer suggest some kind of highway program.

In the senate, one of the first matters to be considered after completion of organization will be confirmation of appointments of Eugene Smith, highway commission chairman, Scott Woodward and P. G. Robertson, members. They were appointed by Governor Ferguson after the resignations of Moseley and Clegg whose appointments were refused confirmation of the upper body.

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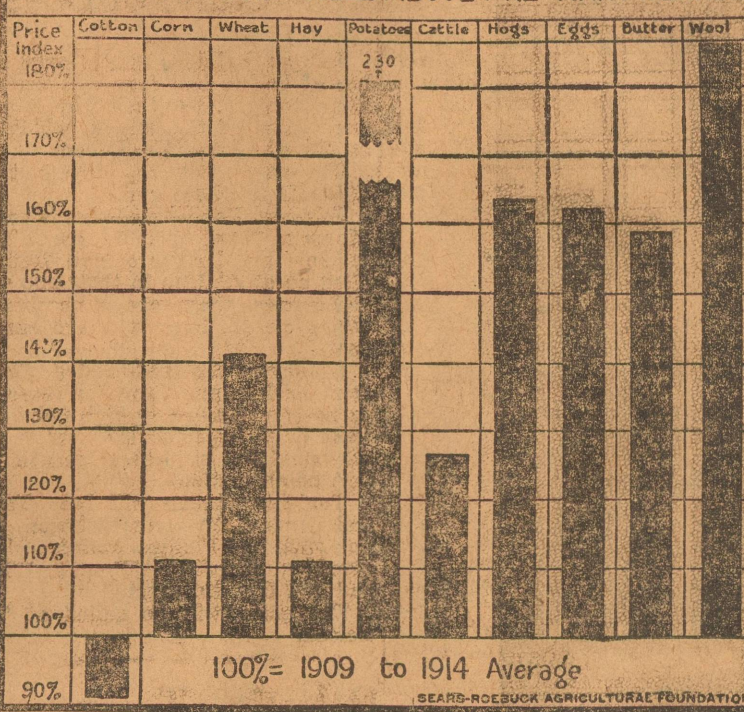
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What Farmers Got For Products In 1926

MOST FARM PRICES WELL ABOVE PRE-WAR AVERAGE



WHAT the farmers of the United States got for their products during 1926 is revealed in a survey of the agricultural situation just completed by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation.

Based on November farm prices, beef cattle brought cattlemen 26 percent above the pre-war values, while in 1925 they brought only 18 percent above those figures. The seasonal trend is down at this time, but indications point to further advances and a year from now cattlemen should receive more satisfactory prices, say the Foundation's observers. Hogs brought producers 64 percent above the pre-war average prices, while in 1925 the figure was 47 percent.

During November eggs put into the coffers of the poultrymen 62 percent more than pre-war prices. A year ago they got 70 percent. A decline also was registered in butter, the dairymen getting only 59 percent above pre-war prices, as compared to 68 percent last year.

In November, 1925, wool was selling at fancy prices, bringing growers 124 percent above pre-war values, but by November, 1926, it had dropped to 87 percent and the future trend is somewhat clouded by the surplus of cotton, of which there was a record crop this year, which reduced values to 20 percent below the pre-war

average. In November, 1925, cotton prices were 46 percent above the pre-war average, making a radical drop of 57 percent in twelve months. The future trend of cotton depends largely on the acreage and size of the 1927 crop. Grains as a class did not fare as well as meat animals. Corn sold in November at 11 percent above pre-war prices, while a year ago it was selling at 16 percent above. The outlook for the corn market is good, and a corn shortage is threatened before the 1927 crop is harvested, say the Foundation's experts. The large wheat crop of 1926 forced prices down in November so that they were only 41 percent above the pre-war level, while in 1925 the prices reached 68 percent above, due to the short wheat crop of that year.

Two short hay crops in succession and a shortage of livestock reduced the demand so that in November hay prices were only 11 percent above pre-war level. This was one percent greater than the preceding year. The present trend of the hay market is upward.

Potatoes sold in November at 130 percent above the pre-war prices, which is 39 percent less than recorded in November, 1925. Good prices are expected to rule for several months, but those for late 1927 depend on the size of that year's crop.

Sutton has already prepared six bills and one joint resolution proposing a constitution amendment dealing with highway legislation to be introduced at the earliest opportunity.

The bills propose to: Increase the salary of highway commissioners from \$2500 to \$7500; to require them to give full time to the commission and to give the commissioners' court voice in awarding contracts by the commission.

To increase the gasoline tax from one cent to two cents a gallon. To decrease by 40 per cent registration fees on motor vehicles based on the weight of the vehicle.

To license motor vehicle drivers, prohibiting persons under 16 from driving. To correct laws reference to numbering and registration of motor vehicles.

To create a state patrol system and to give the highway commission authority to employ twenty patrolmen who will have authority to regulate motor vehicle traffic. This section also provides that the patrolmen wear regulation uniforms and

that they not make arrests from hiding places and by setting traps.

In charge of the introduction of bills with reference to highway legislation will be Representative W. A. Williams of San Antonio, chairman of the house committee on highways and motor vehicles.

In addition to the great volume of legislation, there will be the report of the special investigation committee headed by Lee Satterwhite, speaker of the house. There is possibility that this committee will ask for more time and authority.

There also is some talk of increasing the number of highway commissioners from three to five and on the other hand to decrease it to a one-man commission.

"Postoffice Dads" Body Is Shipped To Tennessee

The body of Kale Carman, who died Sunday night in Ranger, was shipped to Hartsville, Tenn., Monday afternoon for burial.

Carman was born and raised in Hartsville and his relatives requested that his remains be brought back there for their last long sleep. Carman was known to Ranger as "the Postoffice Dad."

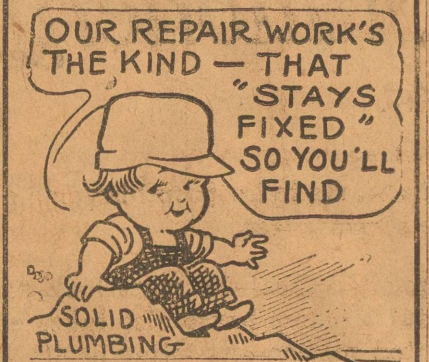
Women Urged To Pay Poll Tax By One Leader

Representative and Mrs. M. H. Hagaman left Sunday for Austin, where Mr. Hagaman is representative from this district in the fortieth legislature.

Prior to going away, Mrs. Hagaman, who is well versed in matters of laws herself, expressed herself as being most anxious for the newspaper to urge everyone, especially women to pay their poll taxes. She said that while it was not election year it was city election year, and not only should women have a vote in who their city officers are to be, but that some of the bills that are to come before the legislature might be adopted and an election might be called for and it was of the utmost importance that poll taxes be paid.

COMMERCIAL SCHOOLS. There has been a slump in the private and commercial schools of the country during the past three or four years, according to reports issued by the United States board of education. Undoubtedly this has been due to the fact that high schools and other branches of the public schools have been broadening their courses along commercial lines.

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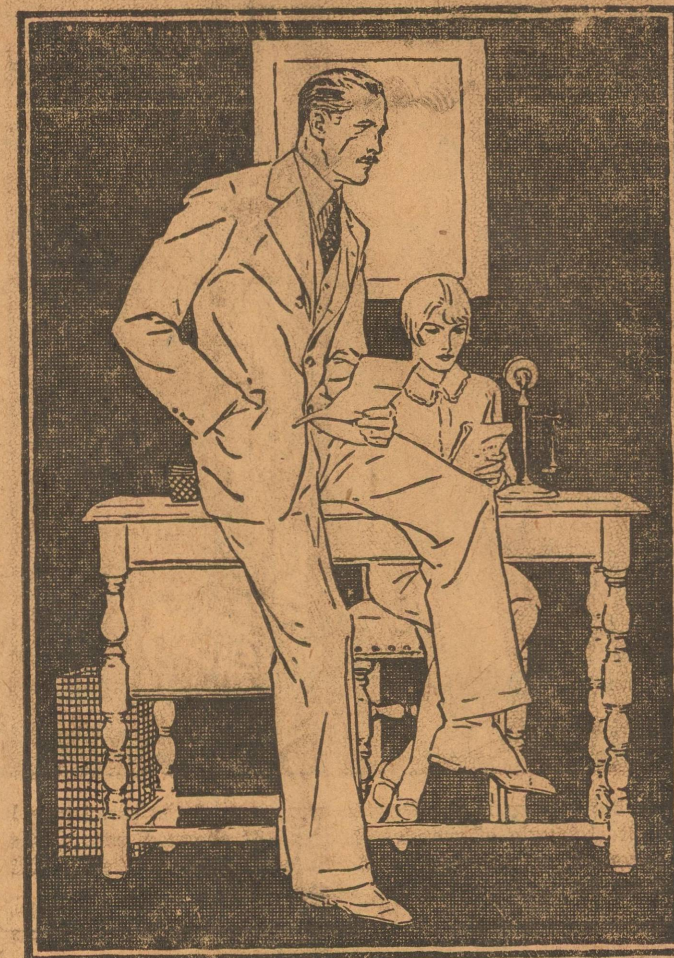
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This remarkable picture is the first to come out of the sanctum where Judge Kenesary Mountain Landis, high commissioner of baseball, is investigating the latest tangle of scandal charges. It shows a general view of the high water mark of the hearings when "Chick" Gandil, exiled White Sox first baseman, appeared to substantiate charges by "Swede" Risberg, another of the "Black Sox." Risberg and Gandil are shown before Landis, surrounded by baseball players and newspapermen.

No Handicap

A serious handicap in any sport, the loss of one eye, hasn't kept Captain Fred Schneider of the University of Omaha five from being ranked as one of the best performers in his section of the country. His left eye is glass. Last year he averaged 14 points per game for the season.

'GUMSHOE BILL'S' SECRETARY NOW A CONGRESSMAN

By PAUL R. MALLON (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—There are many senators and congressmen in Washington today who started their careers as secretaries to senators and congressmen.

Another was added to the growing list recently when Rep. John J. Corcoran, Democrat, now was elected to the house seat left vacant by Harry Hawes, the new senator from Missouri who succeeded Senator George Williams. Corcoran started as secretary to "Gumshoe Bill" Hawes, famous Missourian. More recently he was connected with Hawes, while the latter held his house seat.

Other former secretaries who rose from the ranks include: Rep. Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia who was secretary to former Senator A. S. Clay; Senator La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, who was his father's assistant; Rep. Wallace White Republican, Maine, a grandson of former senator Frye whom he served as secretary when Frye was president of the senate; Rep. Frank Oliver, Democrat, New York, former secretary of Senator O'Gorman, New York; Rep. Edgar Howard, Democrat, Nebraska, former secretary to William Jennings Bryan; Rep. Charles R. Crisp, Democrat, Georgia, secretary to the late Speaker Champ Clark; Rep. Addison Smith, Republican, Idaho, who served a former senator; and Rep. William R. Johnson, Republican, Illinois, formerly an employe in the folding room of the House.

These men have come to Washington with an advantage of knowing how things work around the capitol.

A tale of rise to power is told by Representative Davey, Democrat, Ohio who says:

"I started out when seven years old with a basket of asparagus or my aim to sell, and I came back with the money. I have been selling things ever since, including ideas."

Davey's father was known as the father of tree surgery and the congressman left school when he was 20 years old to manage that enterprise of which he is now president.

Rangy Center

Here is one of the tallest centers in Big Ten basketball, Elmer Tenhopen of the Wisconsin varsity. He is six feet 4 1/2 inches tall and hails from Cleveland.

The information about the several states of the Union and about the foreign countries is compact and brought up to date. Noteworthy happenings are given in essential details, such as the general strike in Great Britain, France's struggle with the workings of the Dawes plan in Germany and the disorganization of China. The Almanac has always been an invaluable handbook of politics.

Where else, too, can one interested broadly in sports find the outstanding records of a year remarkable in baseball, football, tennis, golf, swimming—in all branches, in fact?

As for the old standbys, this is a good year to read the Constitution through again.

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South American Airplane Service Due in Few Years

By LOUI J. HEATH (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—Inauguration of regular airplane service between North and South America, by way of Cuba, is a matter of only a few years and many of the preliminaries have been completed, according to President Porter Adams of the National Aeronautic association.

Adams said the first successful air line ever operated were those established years ago between Key West and Havana, Cuba. Plans are being made now for establishment of a chapter of Adam's association at Havana.

It was also learned here that one South American air firm, now successfully operating an airline along the Magdalena River, from Bogota, Colombia, to Barranquilla, is planning a new line connecting Barranquilla with Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The same concern has incorporated the "Inter-American Air Lines, Inc.," a Delaware corporation with 51 per-

cent American capital, to establish a line running from Key West to Havana, Central American points, and Barranquilla.

The recent attempt of the Navy's FN-10 seaplanes to fly from Norfolk, Va., to Panama, which was only partially successful, and the current army flight of five seaplanes around South America, has stimulated interest in connecting the Americas by air.

Adams pointed to the fact that Havana was included on the army flight itinerary to show the importance of the Cuban capital in such an aviation project.

"I personally feel that anything we can do to establish cordial commercial aviation relations with Cuba should be done, as it will be only a short time before aircraft transportation between the Americas by way of Cuba will be in regular use," he said.

Officials of the "Sociedad Colombiana De Transportes Aereos," known as "Sedat" have been conferring with aeronautic association and department of commerce aviation officials on the proposed Barranquilla-Rio de Janeiro route, which may be in operation in 1928.

Operation of such a route would open the way to an eventful New York-to-Buenos Aires mail and passenger air service, it is believed.

Radio Weather Forecast is Bit Unusual Now

By United Press.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 10.—There's nothing unusual about forecasting the weather; it is done for practically every newspaper in the nation. But the forecasting of radio weather is a bit unusual.

"Good volume and distance to the east Monday night; poor distance and probably fading to the south. Probably poor distance west and southwest."

"Reception uncertain Thursday night; probably poor distance with static and fading."

These are typical of the radio weather forecasts which the Milwaukee Journal publishes daily in connection with its regular weather forecast column. An attempt was made by that paper to have the weather bureau of Milwaukee predict radio reception as it does weather, but the chief of the bureau frowned on radio forecasting as too uncertain.

However, the Milwaukee meteorologist, W. P. Stewart, is interested in radio forecasting and is co-operating with the Journal in its new undertaking. He believes that, ultimately, weather may be forecast from radio reception, rather than radio reception from weather. The forecast is made by R. G. Lynch, a member of the Journal editorial staff, and is based on a system worked out by Eugene Van Cleef of Ohio State University.

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MOUTHY TOURISTS.

The foreign relations of the United States are being hampered by what is known as the volunteer diplomacy of Americans traveling abroad, and the publication of their utterances. A semi-official statement was given out at the white house recently in which President Coolidge intimated that Americans in foreign lands can serve their own country best by not talking so much.

HERE ARE A MILLION FACTS IN THE HOLLOW OF ONE'S HAND

If the new year is to start right, one expects the World Almanac—and that indispensable handbook is here. None is so meaty. A million facts in its 990 pages! Try it out and see. The Almanac for 1927, edited by Robert Hunt Lyman for the fifth year, will answer more question than any of its predecessors. Yet in form, size, excellence of paper, clearness of type, clarity and conciseness of statement, it is the same handy, necessary reference book for the home, the schoolroom, the factory, the farm, the office and the travel-bag. Within arm's reach one has a mine of readily accessible information.

The record of the year is full and complete—the diary of 1926, the list of the noted dead, the benefactions, the amazing record of scientific progress and of the famous flights over the North Pole. The foreign loans floated in America (over a billion dollars) are listed in the financial and economic review of a wonderfully prosperous year.

The government figures, roster, and articles have been revised by government officials—notably those setting forth the working of the National Prohibition Act during the year. We have 11,000 millionaires, Mr. McCoy, the actuary of the treasury, tells you why and where they are.

Bulldogs Play Loboes First Real Game of Season

Ranger Bulldogs and a large number of basket ball fans will travel to Cisco tonight, for their first conference game of the season, which will be played against the Loboes.

The game will be played at the Cisco High school gym.

Johnson, Ranger's center, is spoken of as a "hard man to cover" and judging by the scores the Bulldogs piled up at Abilene in their two week end games, there are a number of others on the team who are hard to beat.

Lemley, "the red-headed flash," came back in great form in those two games, and Taylor as high point man was quite spectacular, while the others of the quintet played in perfect co-ordination.

Tonight's lineup will be: Taylor and Lemley, forwards; Johnson, center; Mills and Phillips, guards; Glenn, Hamblen, Hamilton, Hinman, Whitehall and Grubbs, substitutes.

The game will be called at 7:30 o'clock.

According to reports received here by the Zionist organization.

These reports indicate an enormous drop in malaria in the sections of Palestine where afforestation work has been pursued. One of the Jewish colonies, Chedara, formerly a "malaria hole" which some years ago, was on the verge of being abandoned on account of the heavy malaria mortality, is now a thriving, populous settlement as the result of the planting of large numbers of eucalyptus trees, which by their large absorption of moisture, have dried up the marshes, where the mosquitoes, carriers of the malaria infection, breed.

EASTERN STAR SILVER TEA IS POSTPONED

The Eastern Star silver tea, has been postponed from this week until next Thursday, at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beard, hostess, assisted by Mrs. D. A. Syney co-hostess, at 3 o'clock.

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SOUTHERN FARMERS FIND NEW MARKETS

Cooperative Action, Motor Truck and Railroad Facilities Add to Profits in North Carolina

Pulling out of the deep mud tracks of the past fifty years the Southern farmer is finding his way to new markets and prosperity.

Cooperative action, joining together in the purchase of warehouses and equipment, is meeting the need for adequate capital. New highways and the use of motor trucks are giving him a wider range of markets.

The combination of the motor trucks with the railroad places him readily in touch with every avenue of trade.

Such is the story of a new day in Dixie related by James G. K. McClure Jr., President of the Farmers' Federation, Asheville, North Carolina.

It was at the Interstate Commerce Commission hearings in Asheville recently that this story of the rising South was presented. Railroad attorneys had presented heavy statistics, shippers had stated their cases, when McClure aroused and asked leave to state what the farmers were doing in his community without aid or hindrance of regulation, using modern facilities and using them profitably. This is his statement:

The Farmers' Federation is an organization of farmers that was started in Buncombe county in the fall of 1920. The aim of the farmers who originated the Federation was to increase production on the farm so that means could be obtained to better living conditions. The only way to improve conditions on the farm seemed to this group to be to make more money by producing more. They felt that the way to stimulate production was by creating marketing facilities.

We found on analyzing the situation of the farmers in the mountain section that the gross income per crop worker averaged \$366 per year for the counties of Western North Carolina. This is the gross income, and after necessary expenses for fertilizer, seeds, feeds and farm supplies were deducted, it left a very small sum indeed for the maintenance of a man's family.

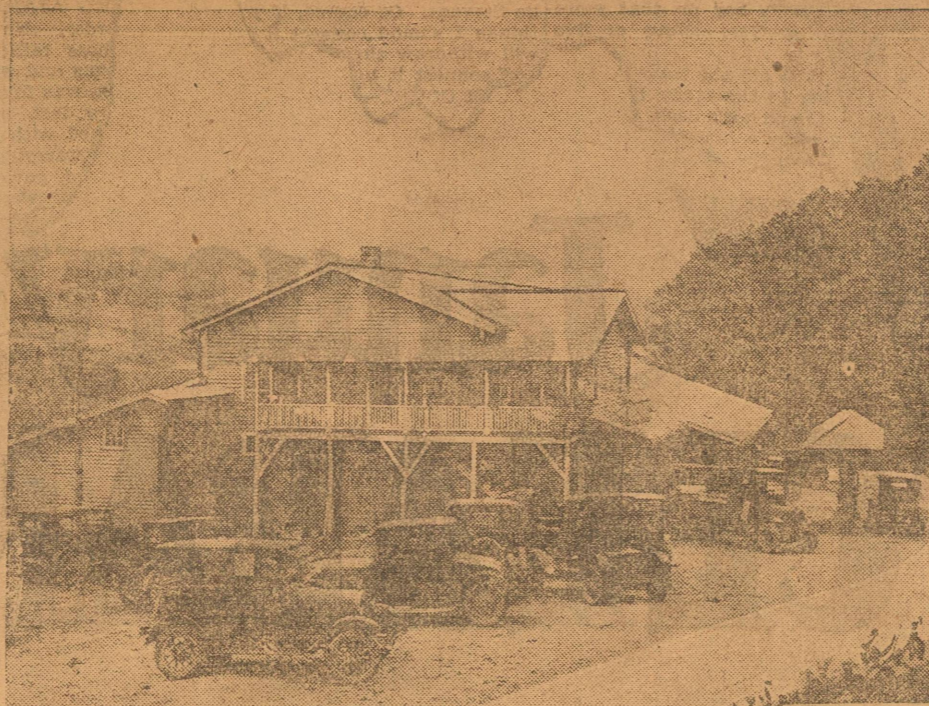
Lack of Transport Barred Prosperity

The meager production of the farmers in the mountains of North Carolina has its causes in the past. When the first settlers drifted down through the valley of Virginia and into the mountains of Western North Carolina and commenced to farm, they found that their markets were a long way off. The only markets were the seacoast towns, and the expense of carrying corn and wheat to the market by pack train or ox wagon was more than the value of the crop produced. The farmers in the mountains soon adapted themselves to this lack of

markets, and lived on a basis of raising or making practically everything necessary for existence.

Railroads Opened Mid West

The steam engine and steamboat were discovered and used in opening up the central part of the United States and the great West. Rails were laid, cities were built, and a complex civilization grew up, developing cash markets for grain and livestock in Chicago, Kansas City and other great centers. In this network of civilization the mountains were left like an island in the sea, the railroad not coming into Asheville until 1885, and good roads many years later; that is, no cash



This is Warehouse No. 1 of the Farmers' Federation at Fairview Siding, North Carolina. This warehouse was financed by funds subscribed by the farmers.

markets were developed in Western North Carolina. The only markets available were the towns, which were small and whose consuming power was very limited. Two or three farmers coming to town with wagon loads of produce would glut the market for several days. No shipping markets and no outlet for produce, and therefore no stimulus

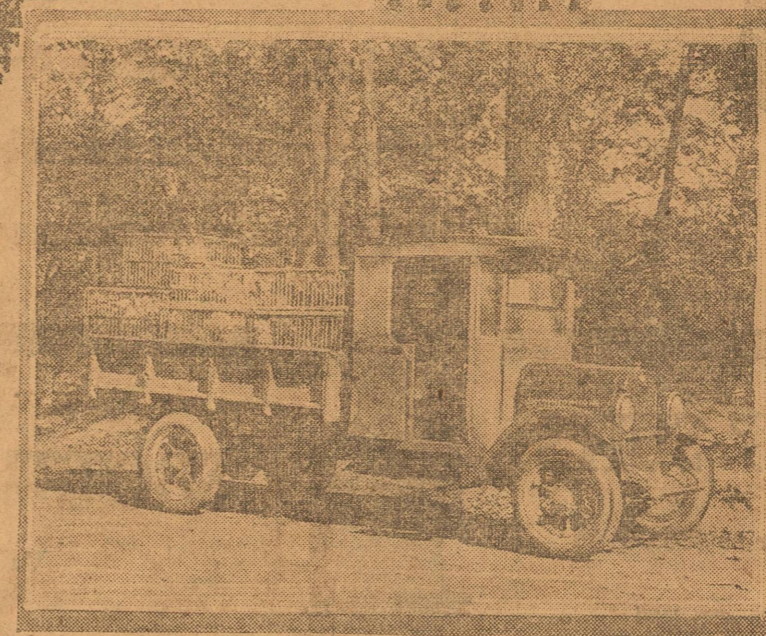
Federation Pooled Capital Resources

The Farmers' Federation was organized with the idea of creating marketing facilities. This organization purchases supplies for the farmer, such as seeds, fertilizer, feeds, etc., and sells for the farmer what the farmer produces. The organization grew out of meetings of a group of fifteen farmers who felt that they must take steps to better their condition. We organized a cooperative company, a share of stock in which was \$50, with all profits above 6% on the stock to be returned pro rata to the stock holders according to their patronage with the organization.

We built a small warehouse, 60 ft. by 30 ft. at Fairview Siding, and were ready for business November 1, 1920. The organization commenced to grow, and in the year 1921 it did a business of \$54,000. It now has over two thousand stockholders, operates eight warehouses and is doing a business of \$120,000 per month.

Raising Tomatoes for Florida

Along with the creation of marketing facilities we promote crops. As an illustration, we are promoting

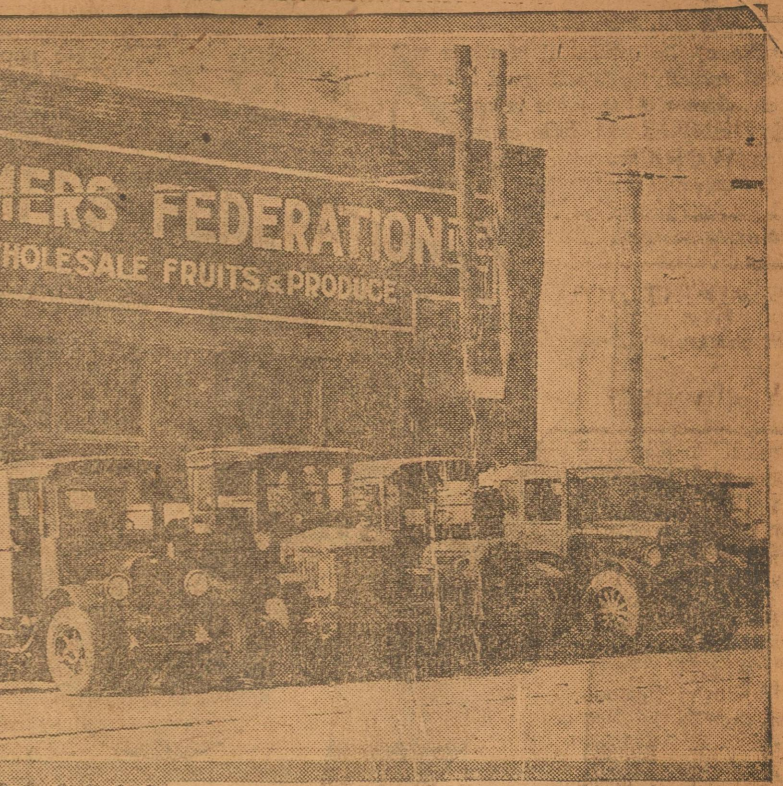


Trucks of the Farmers' Federation in Western North Carolina are building local markets, as well as rail-shipment trade. Note the modern state highway and pneumatic tires which reduce transportation costs.

the growing of tomatoes for shipment to Florida. Florida has no tomatoes when our tomatoes come on the market. We also promote the poultry business, this spring being instrumental in putting out on the farms of Western North Carolina over two hundred thousand day-old baby chicks.

Operate 15 Trucks

We operate fifteen trucks. These



Part of the fleet of motor trucks owned and operated by the Farmers' Federation of Western North Carolina. These trucks gather produce for many miles around for shipment in carload lots over the railroad.

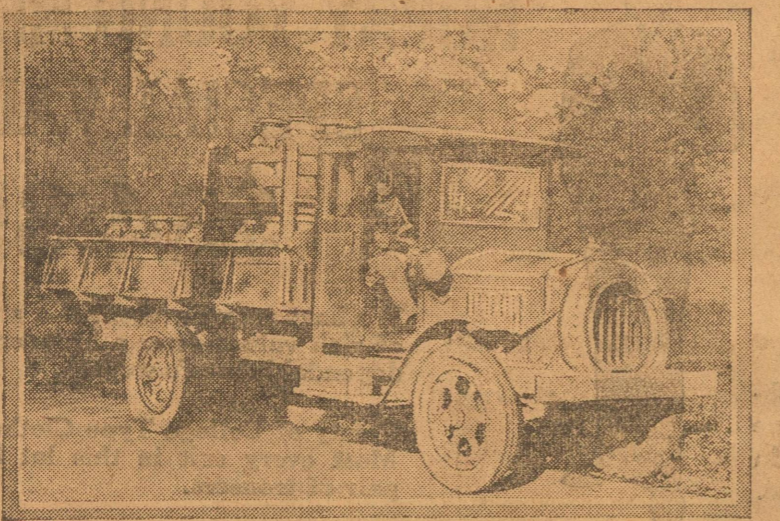
we expect to see the production of poultry increase very rapidly.

Creating Business for the Railroads

We are able to ship in carload lots because we tap the surrounding territory with our trucks. We also distribute fertilizer and feeds with our trucks over quite a territory. The tonnage of fertilizer has probably increased three or four times since the Federation started operations. I cannot but believe that our truck operations are steadily increasing the railroad freight tonnage because of the fact that we are developing agricultural industries in sections that were isolated and had no hope of markets before we commenced assembling and shipping by freight by means of trucks.

We are making a sustained effort to build up the agricultural resources of this section of the state. We are developing marketable crops.

The motor truck enables us to assemble these crops at railroad points. We are continually increasing tonnage to give the railroad. The railroad has cooperated with us in every way and is always ready to give us assistance in building up our business. We are developing townships and counties which would still be isolated if it were not for the truck.



Collection of milk by truck is one of the most usual services in cooperative shipping by farmers. This is one of a fleet of trucks owned by the Farmers' Federation.

CHILD'S WELFARE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT SHOWS EXPENDITURES OF \$2,572

On the second day of their pledge week, the Child Welfare club of Ranger, presents its annual report, covering its receipts and disbursements for 1926, at the same time stating that it has had a most successful year.

Total amount collected from school board, Parent-Teacher associations, city commission, merchants, individual pledges and membership dues, \$2,663.64.

Disbursements, covering salary of nurse and car expenses, \$1,730.98. Milk for underweight school children, \$449.53.

Drug for poor families (unable to secure medicines otherwise), \$99.32. Groceries, \$154.35. Meals and transportation to transients without funds, \$19.30. Printing permanent record sheets for health work, \$30.75. Federation dues, \$6. Clothing, not including donated garments and distributed by committee, \$31.25. Luncheon, \$51. Total, \$2,572.48. Balance on hand, \$91.16.

This report does not include the many cases of illness for which the Child Welfare club has secured free hospital treatment through the city-county hospital or services donated by Ranger physicians, who besides free services made cash donations; also many cases in which unfortunate have been readjusted to normal life.

all due to the work of the investigating committee, whose services are free. The club dispensed Christmas cheer to over 35 families at a cost of \$5.50 per basket, which will be paid out of this year's funds. This report is submitted to the public so that they may see in black and white where "the money goes" and it is hoped that each contributor will this week renew their pledge for the year of 1927. Contributors have the privilege of sending all calls for charity to the club, where they are investigated by a committee before help is given, thus eliminating the unworthy.

Jewish Monitor's Ranger Edition To Be Published Soon

Henry Spero and Joe Moore, both of Fort Worth, are in Ranger today in interest of a special Ranger edition of the Jewish Monitor. The cover page bears a picture of Ranger High school and the reading matter of the magazine is made up to a great extent of history of the city, while illustrations are of Ranger's most prominent business men and a number of Ranger buildings, all done in a sepia finish. The Jewish Monitor is a weekly publication. It goes into seven states of the union and has a circulation of 10,000 weekly. There are 12,000 new bills before congress. That's only one of the things that make life easy for the newspaper paragon.

San Saba Donates Pecan Trees For Beautification

West Texas winds will blow through trees of utility and beauty in front of the new headquarters building of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce when pecan plants donated to the organization by E. G. Risien & Son of San Saba are set and growing in the new Stamford home. Carrying out the spirit of usefulness of the West Texas regional body, ornamentals that are useful as well as beautiful have been selected from donations offered for landscape gardening about the new two-story tile and stucco structure of the chamber. The pecan trees for the front of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce new home will be choice plants from the orchards of E. G. Risien, the world's only pecan breeder, and nurseryman of San Saba, and will be set out with fitting ceremony at an early date.

Chicago Opera Will Broadcast Second Act of Faust

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—Grand opera is to be available to every home in America on the evening of Friday, Jan. 21, when a national hookup of 22 radio stations will broadcast the second act of "Faust" direct from the stage of the Auditorium theatre, Chicago. Edith Mason and Charles Hackett, American artists, and Irene Palleska, Richard Bonelli and Marie Claessena are to be the vocal stars for the experiment. The second act of "Faust" includes a number of well known arias, among them being the jewel song, the flower song and the "Why So Lonely" quartet. Arrangements for the broadcast were made by the Chicago Civic Opera company, together with the National Broadcasting company and the Brunswick Phonograph company. The stations so far included in the hookup—with the possibility that others will be added—are: WEAF and WJZ, New York; WEEI and WBZ, Boston; WGN, WLBB and KYW, Chicago; WCAE and KDKA, Pittsburgh; WCSH, Portland; WSY, Schenectady; WJAR, Providence; KSD, St. Louis; WOCD, Davenport; WOCQ, Minneapolis; WSAI, Cincinnati; WRC, Washington; WDAF, Kansas City; WJW, Detroit; WOR, Buffalo; WTAG, Wooster, and WTAM, Cleveland.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY SENT TO W. K. JACKSON

Resolutions expressing sympathy were drafted and passed by the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church of Eastland to be sent to W. K. Jackson, a member of the school, on the death of his mother, who died suddenly Saturday night at her home in Philadelphia. Mr. Jackson is now in Philadelphia to attend the funeral.

Pretty Spanish Girl in Plot To Aid Assassins

MADRID.—One of the many plots against Italy's and Spain's dictators which have been discovered lately had extraordinary ramifications which extended not only to other European countries but even to North America, it is reported here. The last plot unearthed by the Spanish police was aimed principally to assassinate General Primo de Rivera, his Minister of Interior, General Martinez Anido, and eventually Premier Benito Mussolini. It remained, due to strict censorship, unknown to 95 per cent of the Spanish population. There was not a single word printed in the Spanish press, and even newspapermen found it almost impossible to gather detailed information about it. One of the chiefs of the plot was said to be Maria Luisa Tejedor Garcia, a very pretty young Spanish brunette, who apparently had the whole affair in her hands. She corresponded with Mexican anarchists who were on their way to Spain when the plot failed, and she was arrested with a score of accomplices and taken to the women's jail in Madrid. The girl escaped and remained free for two days in the capital, vainly trying to find a safe way to leave. She finally was recaptured. Since Maria Luisa has been recaptured, the police authorities have questioned her repeatedly about the plot, but have not obtained any information. She persists in denying every charge and until she changes her mind, or unless more definite evidence can be shown, it is doubtful whether the details of the unsuccessful plot will become known.

CANADIAN BUILDING REPORT.

MONTREAL, P. P. Q.—Canada spent nearly \$75,000,000 more on new building construction in the first 11 months of 1926 than in the same period last year, statistics compiled by the MacLean building reports, indicate.

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HEART BEAT OF UNBORN NOW HEARD BY DOCTORS

BERKELEY, Calif., Jan. 4.—A diagnosis of heart trouble in an unborn baby has been made, and after birth, found correct, according to Dr. L. S. Schmitt, director of the University of California Hospital. The director said the development of scientific instruments made it possible for a doctor to listen to a patient's heart many miles away, study pictures of it taken with the X-ray and records made by the electrocardiograph, and arrive at a fairly accurate diagnosis. The device used to hear the heart beat of the unborn is known as an electrical stethoscope and it has just been perfected by scientists of the University of California Hospital. In its development the principle of the radio was used. The faint sounds are amplified by radio tubes and can be heard over a loud speaker, transmitted over cable to classrooms, or recorded on paper. Today's definition: to slough—big league word meaning to play football in a baseball uniform.

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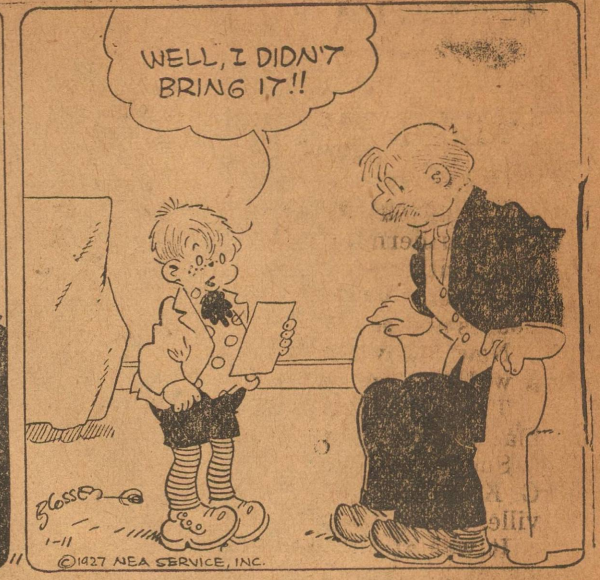
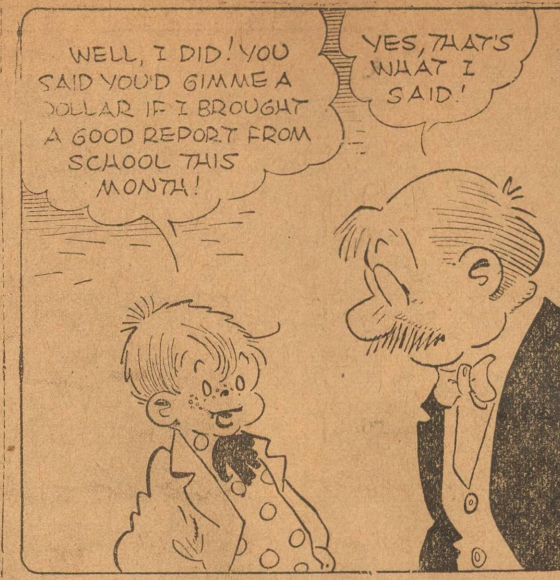
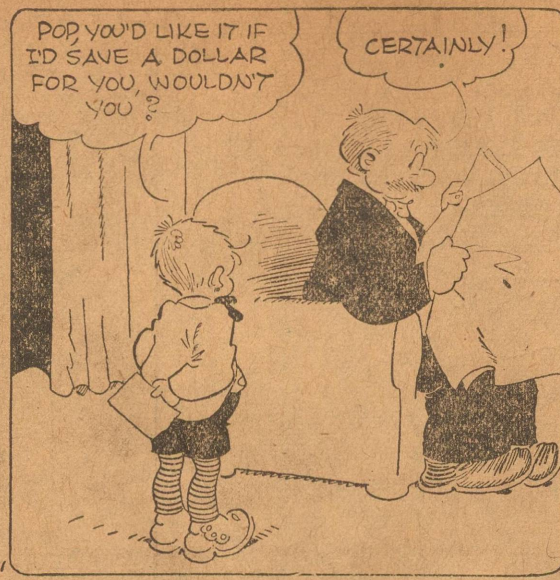
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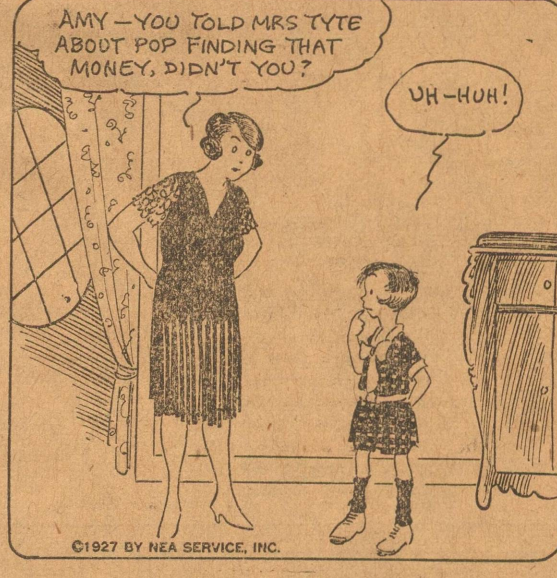
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 Elwell is an artist. He has a son, JIM, aged 5. Late that night twin girls are born to the woman, who dies without revealing her identity. The Elwells adopt the girls.
 The story then moves forward 18 years. The twins, now growing to beautiful womanhood, have been named MARGARET and Elizabeth and nicknamed RUSTY and BETTY. America enters the World War and Jim Elwell enlists. Two nights before he leaves he discovers that one of the twins loves him and that he loves her. He tells his mother this but does not tell her which twin it is, as he wants her to love both of the twins equally while he is away.
 The day before he leaves, Jim decides to take both the girls to Chicago for a last good time. They decide to wear the diamond ring their mother had worn when they were born.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY
 CHAPTER IX
 Prof Elwell had estimated the stone to be worth a thousand dollars at the time the twins were born but he knew that diamonds had more than doubled in value in the intervening 18 years. The ring was the girls' joint legacy, and because of its heavy band and its unusually large and peculiar setting he had always held the feeling that it might some day lead to the unraveling of the mystery attaching to their birth. It was only on special occasions that either of them wore it.
 He placed the ring beside Rusty's plate.
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 "That's that," said Jim when he and his pals had re-entered their taxi, "and now the next thing on the program will be something else. Aye, something else," he grinned and looked mysteriously at his two companions.
 Both grinned in response, although one of the twins, it might have been noticed, blushed very becomingly while the other giggled a little tremulously.
 Something like an hour afterward, Jim engaged a room for the girls at a hotel in the Loop that they might remove the dust of travel and freshen up a bit for luncheon. After purchasing tickets from a speculator in the lobby for a matinee that afternoon, he loafed around until the girls came down.
 And they did not fail to attract attention, even in that busy place where thousands came and went during the day.
 One "Muddy" Waters, well known to Chicago sporting gentlemen as a fairly trustworthy "hand" "bookie," huskily whispered of his admiration to his partner, Jap Cohen, as Jim and the girls crossed the hotel palm garden in the wake of the head waiter and took their places at a small table by the wall.
 "Lamp th' two fillies on that guy's string!" was Muddy's contribution. "A parlay shot on a couple favorites! At that," he finished, "he's gotta nawful handicap; ought to split his bet."
 "With you, for instance," supple-

mented his partner the while his own gaze, leveled at the twins, bespoke unqualified approval.
 "You got me the first time!" acknowledged Mr. Waters with a grin. "I'd play either or both straight across the board. There's class there, you can take it from me."
 "I advise you," said Mr. Cohen, "to snap out of it. Them's thorough."
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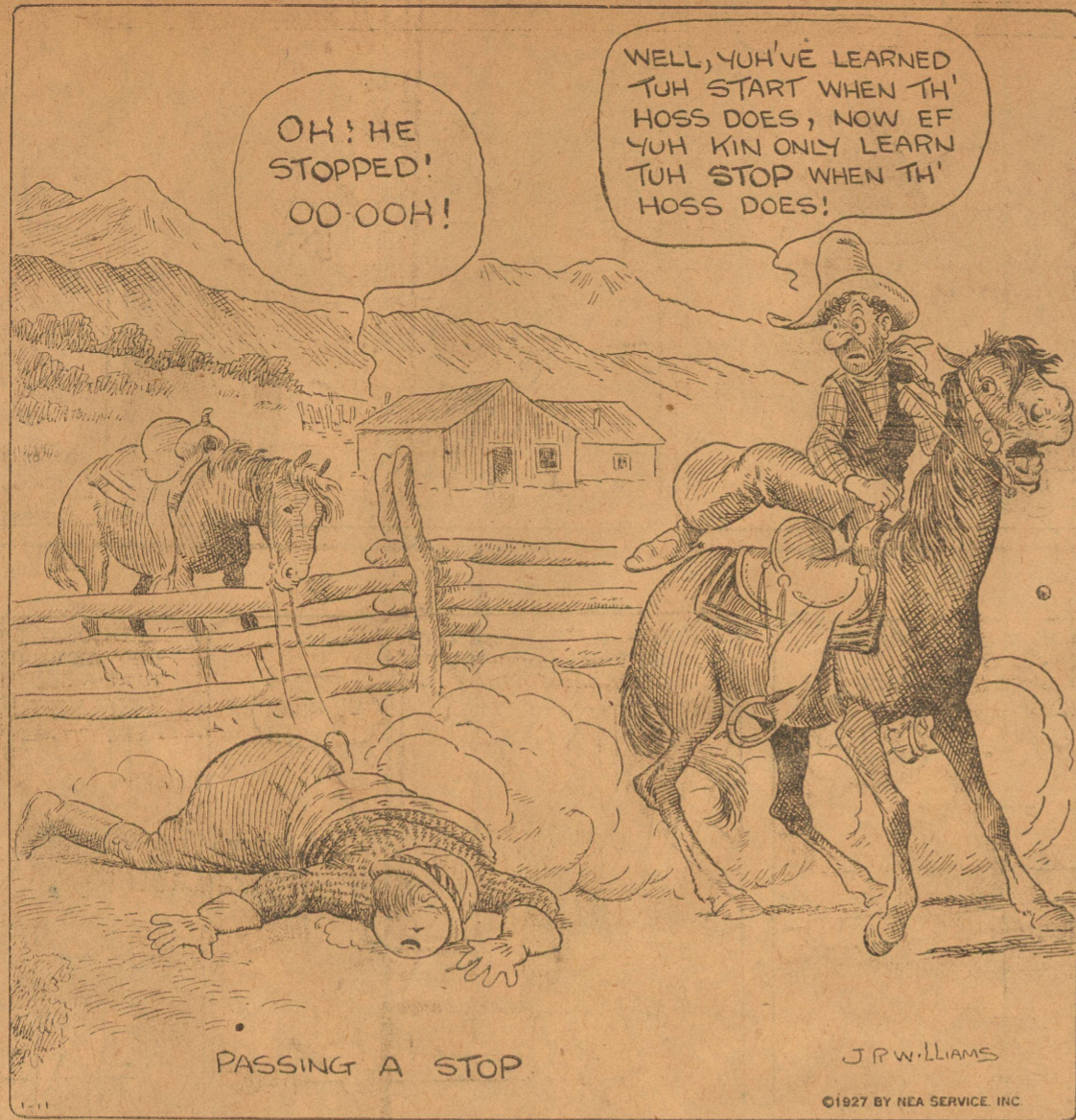
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Broken Threads

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 "breds. Don't waste your time."
 At that moment the orchestra, which had been playing a medley with a jazz motif, struck into the air of "Oh Promise Me." Jim Elwell felt a soft pressure against his knee.
 His glance turned and he looked into the eyes of The Girl. The look held for a brief instant but in that instant he read again the story that

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had been revealed to him the night before in the light of the big moon. His heart beats accelerated and the roomful of people started turning around while the music seemed to be coming from afar off. Then the pressure against his knee relaxed. The Girl's eyes were veiled by the long-lashed lids and things reverted to normal.
 But even as his vision encompassed the scene spread out before him, a scene redolent of life and gaiety there flashed across his mind a line he had read a few days before in a book of poems belonging to The Girl:
 "Love, like the opening of heaven to the saints, shows for a moment even to the dullest man the possibilities of the human face."
 Love... He wondered if it hit all men as it seemed to have hit him. A waiter appeared from nowhere and took their order. The orchestra swung into a lively fox trot and the open space in the middle of the great room was soon filled with dancers. It was sultry hot in the street but in the big palm garden the temperature was softly cool and delicious.
 "Isn't it just grand?" breathed Rusty and Betty echoed, "Grand!" and then added, "It's too perfectly speghashious, isn't it Jimmy, darling?"
 Speghashious was right, whatever that was, Jim agreed and wondered vaguely, as young men are accustomed to wondering sometimes under like conditions, if the check for this splurge would be a 'speghashious' check. The two race track followers at the nearby table, and for whom Jim's companions seemed to have become the pivot around which all their conversation wagged, could have told Elwell that the check was going to be everything that was speghashious and otherwise.
 "I'd be damn good an' willin' to

pay the bills of either of them two ceneens for some time to come," Muddy Waters declared with solemn utterance and his mild blue eyes took on a pensive look.
 "But that's the hell of it," he went on in a peevish tone, "a wise guy like me ain't got no chance nowadays for anything but these walkin' Indian signs. It's always some big Hoosier that cops off the classy little hummin' birds."
 Muddy Waters and his partner were not the only ones in the big palm garden whose attention had been drawn toward the two girls from Indiana.
 At a nearby table, to Jim's left and in front of him, sat a woman, strikingly dressed. She had been sitting there when came in and her eyes, only mildly curious at first, had lighted in surprise when they had encountered the ring which Rusty wore on her finger and which she now and then examined with elaborate ostentation.
 Jim had noticed the woman, probably because, sitting directly in his line of vision, he could scarcely help seeing her and because every time he looked her way she seemed to be looking at one or the other of the girls.
 He took note rather subconsciously that she was a remarkably handsome woman although presumably close to middle age. Her hair, beneath the wide-brimmed hat, was black and her remarkable eyes were black too, or very dark brown.
 Jim observed presently, too, that she had stopped a waiter and seemed to be telling him something confidential. The waiter nodded, laid down his pad and pencil on the cloth

in front of her and moved away.
 The woman wrote something on the pad. Jim Elwell between snatches of conversation with the twins noted idly that she frowned and then crumpled up the sheet on which she had written. A moment or two passed and then she began writing again. This time the pencil moved uninteruptedly, and when she was through she read over what she had written.
 A remark from Kusty drew Jim's attention away for a moment and he did not see the woman beckon to the waiter again. When he arrived at her table the woman tore off the sheet of paper, handed it to the waiter and then nodded casually toward the table where Jim and the girls were sitting.
 The waiter, with an inclination of his head, turned and walked away. Presently he stepped across to Jim Elwell's table and laid the paper down in front of that young man. Then, without a word he moved away.
 Jim, half mechanically, began to read it. Then, its significance breaking on him, he started violently and turned instinctively toward the table where he had seen the woman writing.
 The twins, noting his surprised look, queried in the same breath, "What is it, Jim?"
 "Darned if I know," he replied.
 The woman, he had noted, had left her table and was moving across the room. The next instant she disappeared through an exit. The paper was fluttering from Jim's hands to the tablecloth.
 (To be continued)
 What is in the note to startle Jim Elwell so? In the next installment the mysterious woman tells a strange story.

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