

West Texas: Tonight, cloudy, rain in north portion. Tuesday, cloudy, rain, except in southwest. Cooler in north.

SENTENCE SERMON. If a friend isn't worth fighting for, he isn't worth anything. And what is meant by this is one who is worth defending, excusing and praising.

SOVIET RUSSIA TO KEEP CONSULS IN CHINA SITUATION AT BORGER, OIL BOOM TOWN RAPIDLY CLEARIFYING JOINT POWER NOTE HANDED NATIONALISTS

PUNISHMENT DEMANDED OF GUILTY PARTIES

United States, Great Britain, Japan, Italy And France Send Note.

By United Press. SHANGHAI, April 11.—The power note of protest to the nationalist government against the anti-foreign violence at Nanking last month was presented to the nationalist at Hankow and Shanghai this afternoon. The note was presented to Eugene Chen, nationalist foreign minister at Hankow and to Bei Chung-Hsi representing Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek here by the consul of five powers the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. It was understood there were three demands in the note as follows: 1. Adequate punishment for the officers in command during the Nanking outrages and punishment for all other individuals concerned. 2. A written apology from Marshal Chiang, nationalist commander-in-chief and assurances that his troops would refrain in the future from attacking foreigners or other anti-foreign violence. 3. Complete reparations. The note it was understood, further stated that the nationalists must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the governments concerned their intention to comply promptly by taking appropriate measures for compliance.

ESTIMATES ARE BRITISH TAXES MUST INCREASE

By United Press. LONDON, April 11.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Winston Churchill began presentation of his budget in the house of commons at 4 p. m. today, and anxious taxpayers had to wait only a few seconds to learn that little if any, good news was to be contained for them in the chancellor's words. Revenue in 1926, Churchill revealed, decreased by 17,500,000 pounds sterling, while expenditures increased by more than 14,500,000 pounds. In terms of dollars, figuring the pound roughly at \$5, that means that the revenue had decreased \$87,500,000 and the expenditures had increased \$72,500,000. "All my estimates," he continued, "have been based on a peace footing, and I think it is only right to say that had supplementary tax been introduced it would have substantially increased both direct and indirect taxation."

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Feeding Them on the Hoof



Couples are getting into training for a 15-mile dancing marathon in April on the boulevard between Venice and El Patio in Los Angeles. The contestants are not allowed to stop for food, so this couple is practicing eating on the hoof. The "trainer," Fred Stoddard, is at the left. Babe Darling and Jack McFaggart are the dancers.

Thomas L. Blanton May Run For Senate

Thomas L. Blanton, the fighting congressman from this district, may be one of the men that Earl Mayfield will have to beat in the primaries next year for the United States senate. The congressman so expressed himself in a letter to a friend in Eastland. Blanton refers to his ten years record in the house as his platform for which he seeks the honor and at the same time calls attention to what he terms Mayfield's "reveling and the show Mayfield made of himself on the night of February 22. Blanton is sending out feelers among his friends, and probably will defer making a formal announcement until he gets a response from a number of them over the district. He has the endorsement of the district, according to resolutions passed at the congressional convention last year. "In writing to this friend," Blanton says, "I shall defer my decision however, until I hear from my friends scattered over Texas."

In part his letter is as follows: "With extravagance, waste and graft eliminated, our annual appropriations could easily be cut in half, without any injury to our safety, natural growth and progress. This would mean reducing our taxes by half. Such sane retrenchment can and must be affected. For ten years I have worked here diligently and made a close study of the business of our numerous departments, bureaus and commissions. I am intimately familiar with every detail. I have mastered the rules of parliamentary procedure and precedents of congress. I carefully study every bill reported. I know where to find the items of waste and extravagance, and how and when to make proper points of order to eliminate them. I stop them in the house. The senate puts them back, because no senator objects, and then my points of order will no longer reach the items. Were I in the senate, I could knock them out of bills, and keep them knocked out. It would take any capable new man years of hard work to qualify himself. My investigations here have killed many bad bills."

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Stork Escapes From Cage And Routs 14 Lions

By United Press. EBERFELD, Germany.—How one lone stork attacked 14 lions and drove them into the corner of their cage is a remarkable circus incident related here. The stork after escaping from its own cage pushed its way into the lion's cage and immediately began attacking them with its beak. The lions roared, then tucked their tails between their legs and beat it for cover. When a keeper finally appeared and captured the stork he found it perching triumphantly on the back of one prostrate lion while 13 others huddled tremblingly in a corner.

Ranger Police Recover Stolen Car, Stripped

Ranger police yesterday found a 1927 Ford roadster, belonging to Robert Love, about three miles this side of Wayland, but the car was completely stripped. The car was stolen early Thursday evening from a downtown parking place, while the owner was attending the spring opening and style show.

Gulf Production Gets New Well In Gholson District

The Gholson pool, five miles south of Ranger loomed into the limelight again the past week end, when Gulf-Duffer No. 4, came in Sunday for between 60 and 100 barrels at 3460 feet. Since three other wells are nearing the pay more excitement is promised there this week. Gulf-Duffer No. 3, is reported ready to be drilled in, as is the Price and Russell test to the north, on the McGlothlin and the Parrish No. 1 is drilling at 3200 feet. Duffer No. 5, is drilling at 3125 feet and will hit the pay depth in a few days.

RANGERS ARE IN CONTROL REPORTS SAY

No Additional Forces Necessary Now Reports The Adjutant General.

By United Press. AUSTIN, April 11.—Conditions at Borger, Hutchinson county oil boom town are rapidly clarifying and if the improvement continues it will not be necessary to send additional rangers, the present force being deemed adequate to handle the situation. Assistant Adjutant General Taylor Nichols, made that announcement today following reports received from Adjutant General R. L. Robertson who is at Amarillo in close touch with the ranger forces at Borger. Indications are that it will not be necessary to resort to martial law, reports received here being that lawlessness which prompted the sending of the rangers by Governor Moody into the oil town has practically disappeared. It was said that rangers have driven out all undesirable and local authorities are cooperating in preserving order.

Alleged Assassin Of Mussolini Is Brought To Trial

By United Press. ROME, April 11.—Tippo Zaniboni, former member of the chamber of deputies, a hero of the world war, and once the trusted friend of King Victor, went on trial today charged with having conspired to assassinate Premier Mussolini, Nov. 4, 1925. The trial began before the special military tribunal created by the recent law for the defense of the state. Zaniboni was confined in a cage of latticed steel.

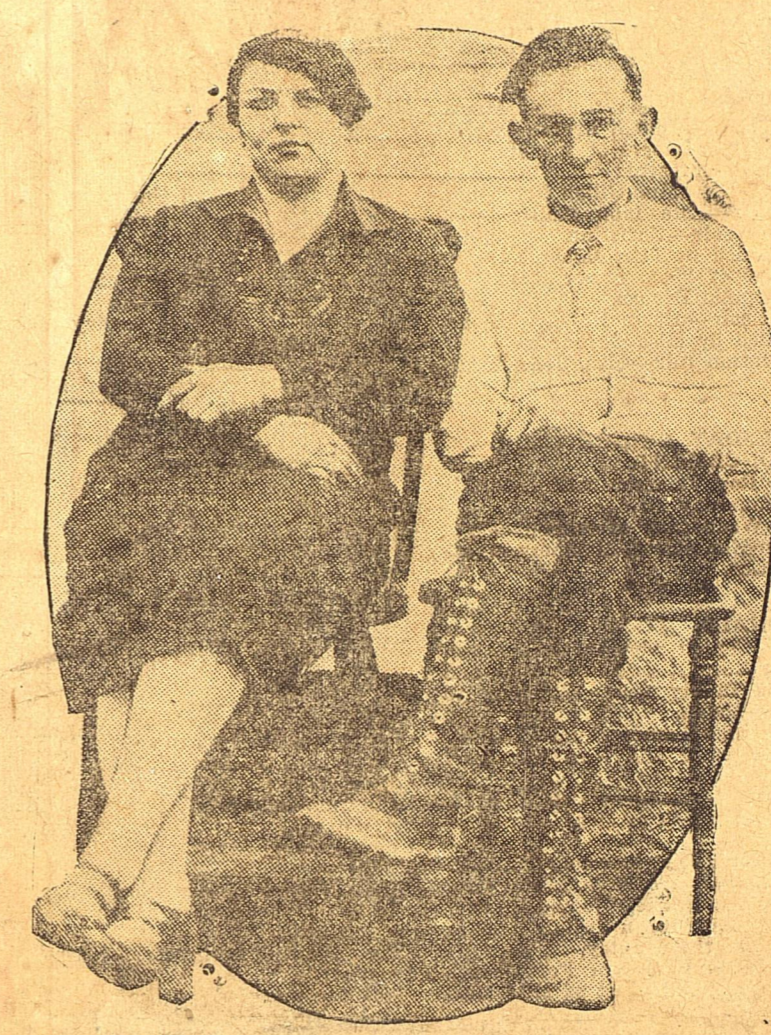
Oklahoma Fears Additional Flood Damages Today

By United Press. OKLAHOMA CITY, April 11.—Fears of floods were revived somewhat in the southwest and central parts of Oklahoma today, following additional heavy rains of the past 12 days. Renewed rains general all over the state were reported heaviest in the central and western portions of the state with the Washita valley again apprehensive of rising waters. In the Washita section last week 14 deaths were recorded as a result of floods and other drownings were reported. The weather prediction today was for additional showers.

Start Criminal Docket in 88th District Court

Practically all criminal cases set for trial in the Eighty-eighth district court will be disposed of this week. The docket was sounded Monday morning and almost every one announced ready for trial. The first case to receive attention was that of the state against Harvey Smith, charged with forging a check in Cisco. He entered a plea of guilty and a verdict of guilty was returned with his punishment assessed at four years in penitentiary, and upon recommendation of the jury, the sentence was suspended. The prisoner was but a mere lad and was accompanied in the court room by his parents who stood beside him when the sentence was read. Immediately following the pronouncement of selecting a jury to try the case of the state against Marshall Broyles of Cisco, charged with violating the prohibition law was started. When announcement ready for trial was made in the case, the jurors and witnesses in the other cases were excused until late in the afternoon.

Love Finds a Way



When the authorities of Canaan, Me., refused to issue a marriage license to Mrs. Thelma Tibbets, 26, a widow, 14-year old Willie Buzzell, because Willie was too young, Mrs. Tibbets' affections suddenly shifted to Willie's brother, Elmer, 17 (right) and they are to wed. Willie, evidently to forget his blighted romance, has gone to work in a toothpick factory. His would-be bride, now to become his sister-in-law, has a son 5.

EL PASO BANKER PLEADS GUILTY GETS 25 YEARS

By United Press. DALLAS, April 11.—J. Harry Henderson, El Paso banker, pleaded guilty today to charges of embezzlement and was sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary. He was given five years on each of five indictments. He will be required to serve only 10 years of the sentence as the sentence of the first two counts were made concurrent. Henderson was alleged to have embezzled more than \$40,000 belonging to El Paso, the county schools and a Methodist church. The bank with which he was connected closed its doors for one month.

Ranger Man Hurt In Auto Accident At Gorman Sunday

Clarence A. Love, proprietor of the Central Service Station, Ranger, was painfully hurt in an automobile accident near Gorman, early Sunday morning, and is now confined at the Gorman sanitarium. It is said that Mr. Love was driving some of the young ladies who had participated in the Texas women's college glee club concert in Eastland the night before, to De Leon, their next stop, and in going down a long hill near Gorman, he must have dozed off for a moment, as the car left the road, and turned over, throwing Mr. Love through a window as all the doors of the car were found closed after the wreck. The car, which was Cull Moorman's Chrysler sedan was torn pretty well to pieces. Another young man was in the car, but neither he nor the young women were hurt. It was thought at first that Mr. Love's back was broken, but an x-ray examination failed to show any bones broken, so his injuries are not considered serious, but will keep him in the hospital for several days. His brother, Virgil Love and his brother-in-law Cull Moorman were notified of the accident soon after he was taken to Gorman and rushed at once to his bedside. Virgil Love is here today, but telephoned his mother, in Ranger, that Clarence was resting better and there seemed no complications.

Sentence of Harry Sinclair Delayed For Thirty Days

By United Press. WASHINGTON, April 11.—Justice William Witz of district supreme court today on his own motion deferred the scheduled sentencing of Harry F. Sinclair, oil magnate, for contempt of the senate 30 days. Without explanation the court announced that "this matter will be deferred further for 30 days." The announcement had previously been made to Sinclair and he was not in the courtroom. THOMPSON MAY BE NAMED MAYOR TODAY. By United Press. CHICAGO, Ill., April 11.—Wm. Hale Thompson, probably will become mayor of Chicago today, for the third time. Election commissioners have announced the canvass of the votes of last Tuesday's election, by which Thompson was elected by a large plurality over Mayor Dever, has been completed. The election proclamation will be issued today.

THORPE WELL MAKING 800 BARRELS DAY

Tharpe No. 1 of the McLester Oil company, ten miles northwest of Ranger, is reported as making 800 barrels a day, at 3795 feet, with the bit just touching the sand. The pipe line connections and storage facilities have been made, after the well ran free for almost 24 hours, and plans are to drill deeper into the sand Tuesday. The well was visited by hundreds of sightseers from the time word was circulated that it had blown itself in Saturday shortly after noon, through all day yesterday, many having the thrill of seeing oil shoot over the top of a derrick for the first time. The Root-Fehl near the Tharpe No. 1 is also a producer, though not nearly so productive. The Tee Pee Coal and Oil company which found a small oil bearing sand in its Higginbotham No. 1, near Ramsower No. 2, at 3775, will drill possibly 50 feet deeper, now that paying sand has been found so near and in all probability will drill an offset to the Tharpe. It is expected that several new locations in the Ramsower vicinity will be announced in a few days.

Cantonese Plan Making Nanking Their Capital

By United Press. WASHINGTON, April 11.—Cantonese forces in China planned to make Nanking their capital according to navy advices from Rear Admiral H. H. Hough, commander of the United States Yangtze patrol. Hough quoted Chinese papers as reporting Yang, Chow occupied by Sun Chuan-Fang's (northern) forces, who had severely defeated the Cantonese in that sector. He also confirmed reverses of the Cantonese at Peng-pu.

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POWERS ARE TRYING TO FOMENT WAR

Soviet Regards Raid on Embassy As Effort to Draw Russia Into War.

By United Press. MOSCOW, April 11.—Soviet Russia will retain consular contact with the northern Chinese government despite her withdrawal of her embassy staff from Peking, it was emphasized here today after an impressive speech by Premier Rykoff, charging that the powers were attempting to foment a new world war. The Soviet government took pains not to refer to any "rupture" in its note to the Chinese mission here, announcing that the Russian charge de affairs in Peking, head of the embassy in the absence of the ambassador, was recalled. It was made clear that the Soviet government regarded the raid on the embassy at Peking and picketing of the Shanghai consulate on orders of the municipal police, as deliberate attempts by the powers to provoke Russia into a war. Although the embassy staff will be withdrawn, consulate staff in various Chinese cities will remain on duty it was announced.

DISARMAMENT FACES CRISIS IN LEAGUE MEET

By United Press. GENEVA, April 11.—Rupture of the League of Nations preparatory disarmament commission was threatened today over President Coolidge's proposal for further limitation of naval armament. Viscount Cecil, the British spokesman, definitely rejected a French proposal for naval limitation, rejection, and openly advocated the Coolidge conference as the place where the principal naval power would be expected to agree. Paul Bonecour, the French spokesman said France had accepted great disproportion in naval strength at the Washington conference and that she could not accept any proposition that would restrict her liberty in disposing tonnage among various classes of ships as the need for security might dictate.

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LODGING HOUSE FIRE KILLS 3, INJURES 2

By United Press. NEW YORK, April 11.—Two men and a woman were killed and two others men were seriously injured when fire swept a four-story lodging house here today. The dead were William Sarrel, his wife Margaret, who were burned to death, and an unidentified man, who was suffocated by smoke, which was poured into an adjoining apartment house.

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FROM THE BIBLE.
 The Lord Exalted: Be Thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength; so will we sing and praise thy power.—Psalm 21:13.
 Prayer: O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord, Thou are My Lord. Help us to "Crown Him Lord of All."

A GOOD SIGN.
 The fact that as yet none of the major oil purchasing companies have met the reduction in crude prices initiated last week by the Magnolia Petroleum company may be regarded as a very healthy sign. It is by no means certain that the other large purchasing companies will not meet the Magnolia cut, but the simple fact that they are delaying action is some indication that they probably consider further price reduction unwarranted just at this time.

The Prairie Oil & Gas company and the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing company have long been recognized as the leaders in crude price movements. There is no criticism of the Magnolia in its crude cut for the company no doubt is thoroughly sincere in its belief that conditions warrant the action taken.

But the producing division of the oil industry is fully justified in the hope that it derives from delayed action by other large companies or in their failure to meet the latest reductions. At least some of these other companies must feel that for the present at least the downward trend of the market has gone sufficiently far to meet the requirements of the situation that brought about the downward movement.

Producers are very hopeful of course that other companies will refuse to meet the recent cut in price. They feel that there is nothing to warrant further reductions and they are always proud to feel that the bottom has been reached. They had rather see oil selling at the present price and know that it has reached the bottom than to have it bring a better price than now and feel that further reductions are imminent. They know when oil reaches the bottom that the next move is upward.

Conditions in the Mid-Texas oil belt have suffered some because of the downward swing of oil prices. However business as yet has felt only slightly the results of the movement. Only a very limited number of men have been dropped from the payrolls of the larger companies and it is very likely there will be no further reduction in employment forces unless there should be further drastic cuts in oil prices.

Production of oil and drilling operations have of course been curtailed. Many wells have been drilled to the top of the sand and shut down, especially in the proven areas. But exploration work is going forward at a fairly good rate. Many wells are being started in wildcat or semi-wildcat territory, but at present prices of crude very few of these wells are expected to be developed completely. They are merely being sunk with a view to determining possible new sources of production that can be developed when conditions justify.

Desdemona

Special Correspondence.
DESDEMONA, April 11.—That stretch of unpaved road connecting the town of Desdemona with the De Leon highway, has been put in first class condition and most of it has been graded. Citizens of Desdemona donated the work.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Sloan, who have made Desdemona their home for the past several months, will move to Stephenville where Mr. Sloan will be manager of a drug store.

Miss Annie Patterson had her collar bone broken Wednesday afternoon when she was struck by a baseball while watching a game on the school grounds.

Mayor J. H. Rushing has issued a proclamation designating Tuesday, April 12 as clean-up day for Desdemona.

Twenty-one members of the Drucilla Rebekah lodge of Desdemona, which included the degree team, went to Strawn last Thursday night and assisted in initiating seven candidates into the Strawn lodge.

SOCIETY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

TONIGHT.
 Junior New Era club meets with Mrs. Campbell and Hight, at 417 Pine street.
 Fine arts program at High school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

FINE ARTS PROGRAM TONIGHT TO BE FINE.
 The fine arts program tonight at the Ranger High school is to be all that the name implies. Each one appearing on the program has been chosen because of their ability to do one thing better than any one else and it will in no way be an amateur performance.

The violin choir, directed by Miss Wilda Drago is an organization that any town or county (and this organization is county-wide) should be proud of. They play so well that on next Friday they will enter the state contest at Texas Woman's college, Fort Worth, and try for state honors. In addition to the musical treat in store for those who attend, is the opportunity to help the High school annual fund, as this program is for its benefit.

PROGRAM FOR THE JUNIOR NEW ERA CLUB MEETING.

The following interesting program will be given tonight when the Junior New Era club meets with Mrs. Hight and Campbell, at the latter's home. All members of the club are urged to be present.
 Violin solo—Miss Gilian Buchanan.
 Reading—Esta Ivon Smith.
 Vocal solo—Christina Schmuck accompanied by Miss Buchanan.
 Review of "The Silver Spoon,"—Miss Virginia Brooks.
 Vocal solo—Helen Howdeshell, accompanied by Miss Buchanan.
 Federation talk—Mrs. John Thurman.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mrs. Roy Jameson will entertain the Wednesday Bridge club at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at her home on Elm street. Members please take notice.

PERSONALS.

Chas Conley who has been operating in Borger, spent the week end with his family here, returning to that city today.
 Miss Annie Laurie Duke of Olney spent the week end with Mrs. Carl Cooper.
 Mrs. E. G. Cundance of Denver, Colo., is the guest of Mrs. J. D. Sullivan.
 Postmaster J. E. Meroney and family of Ranger, are on a fishing trip near Tahoka. They joined parties there and left for a fishing trip in that part of the country.
 Miss Hazel Carter of Fort Worth was the week-end guest of Miss Mattie Roberts.

Specialist In Nerve Diseases Comes to Ranger

Dr. Al Christie, a specialist in the treatment of nervous diseases will be in Ranger on Friday and Saturday, April 15th and 16th for the purpose of receiving or treatment such patients as may feel the need of his unusual yet sure and certain methods of treatment. He has not yet been able to obtain satisfactory office accommodations, but further announcements will appear concerning office location, office hours and appointment for consultation.
 Dr. Christie is a strong believer in advertising the almost supernatural powers of his proven treatment for nervous diseases, for he is sure that there are many people who are on the verge of becoming nervous wrecks who could be saved if they knew and were permitted to take his treatments.

Ranger Cafe Has Just Completed Spring Cleaning

Anticipating the coming season the Ranger cafe has had a real house-cleaning and looks as fresh and clean and bright and new as a new pin.
 The interior has been remodeled, a new metal ceiling has been added, and fresh paper and paint have done their very important bit in converting this popular restaurant into a most inviting spot.
 The wear and tear on a restaurant that never closes, such as the Ranger cafe, is immense, and demands a great deal of time and pains to keep it looking fresh and attractive.
 Aside from the eternal repair that goes on day by day, about once a year everything undergoes an entire overhauling and refinishing such as it is now emerging from.

VERY LITTLE CHANGE IN GASOLINE MARKET

The gasoline market shows little change, although it is strengthening. There has been no change in the retail price in Eastland, although a drop of from one to two cents a gallon is to be noted in Fort Worth and Dallas.
 The natural gasoline market continues steady with a good movement reported to the east and for export. However, should the Chinese situation continue much longer, some few are expecting an advance in oil, this is only hearsay and problematical.

BIRTHS OUTNUMBER DEATHS IN EASTLAND COUNTY

The story outdistanced the reaper in March in Eastland county, according to the records compiled in the county court. During the month births numbered 26 with only five deaths.
 It was a popular song until the town pest began to sing it.

New Brown County Producer Makes 200 Barrels Day

Two small producers, and one making 200 barrels together with one showing gas at 220 feet, in Coleman county are reported by the oil and gas supervisor. Brown county produced the 200 barrels.

The following is the drilling report for the district for April 9.
 Godley Oil and Gas company, Buchanan No. 21, Callahan county, intention to drill 4-10-27, depth 500 feet, also well record of well No. 20, 5 barrels at 495 feet.
 Amerada Petroleum corporation, John W. Harris No. 128, Coleman county, intention to drill 4-8-27, depth 500 feet.
 Amerada Petroleum corporation, John W. Harris "B" No. 4, Coleman county, intention to drill 4-8-27, depth 500 feet.

Phillips Petroleum company, Roy Hickman No. 4, Brown county, well record, 200 barrels at 3568 feet.
 The Texas company, Humble Oil and Refining Co., J. T. Hodnett "B" No. 4, Brown Co., intention to plug 3-17-27 also well record, dry at 824 feet.
 The Prairie Oil and Gas company, Chas. Neeb, No. 1 Callahan county, well and plugging record, dry and plugged at 1502 feet.

The Humble Oil & Refining company, J. T. Hodnett, No. 4A, Brown county, intention to plug 3-15-27 also well record, dry at 1265 feet.
 Monroe Production company, M. T. Overall No. B-2 Coleman county, well record, gas at 220 feet.
 The Prairie Oil and Gas company, J. T. Arledge, No. 5, Brown county, well and plugging record, dry and plugged at 1295 feet.

The Prairie Oil and Gas company, Brown county, J. T. Arledge, No. 6 well and plugging record, dry and plugged at 1375 feet.
 The Texas company, Annie Lowe, No. 43, Brown county, intention to drill 4-11-27, depth 1850 feet.
 C. E. Starr, Gilliland No. 1, Callahan county, intention to drill on or about 4-5-27, depth 1200 feet.

Final Count On League Meet Has Been Announced

In the county interscholastic meet recently held in Ranger, final compilation of all the events, track, field, literary and otherwise, Eastland won first place in class A, Carbon, first in class B, and Flatwoods in the rural classes.
 The ward school championship still is in doubt pending the report on essay contests.
 The following is the official detailed report:

Eastland Rotary Raises Scout Fund Amounting to \$150

With all interest centered on the boys work, and especially the boys' week that soon is to be celebrated by Rotarians all over the world, the program was dispensed with Monday by Tom Fagg, leader and instead donations were received to carry on the scout work.
 Approximately \$150 were raised by the membership present. There were several visitors from Cisco and other towns. Nominations for six members of the board of directors were made by ballot to be reported on at the next meeting, Monday, April 17.
 One noticeable feature of the Eastland club is that the attendance record which clings above the 99 per cent mark. A number of the members are striving to maintain the 100 percent record this year, and when they fail to get the meeting in Eastland they go either to Cisco or Ranger.

Wm. Penn—5 cents—A Good Cigar.

Methodist Fund Campaign Makes Rapid Progress

The drive for funds to complete the First Methodist church in Eastland is well under way, according to Rev. F. E. Singleton, pastor of the congregation, and unless the unforeseen happens, construction work will be underway not later than June 1, with hopes of having the building ready by Christmas.

The committees are nearing the goal set, and during the next week visits will be paid every member of the congregation to give each one an opportunity of doing her or his share.
 Some members of the board of the church entertain hopes of completing the drive this week. However should the goal not be reached, it will be continued until the sum total to insure a house of worship commensurate with the growth of the town has been completed.

Eastland County Commissioners Court Met Monday

At the Monday morning session of the commissioners' court, an order was passed purchasing a five-ton Benz tractor to be used in road work in precinct No. 2, Commissioner W. M. Burns.
 The vote in the election of the New Colony school district authorizing an increase of from 75 cents to one dollar school taxes was canvassed and the order entered increasing the tax, absent, Judge E. S. Pritchard was selected to have the state highway commission and have the Gorman-De Leon highway, for a distance of approximately a mile and a half placed under the state supervision.

Big Attendance At Eastland County Song Convention

A record-breaking attendance featured the Sunday afternoon session of the Eastland county singing convention, which convened Saturday night at New Colony. The program presided over by Jim Lyles, president, consisted of solos, quartets and duets especially arranged by singing groups from various communities. At the noon hour a splendid dinner was served on the ground.

At the business session of the convention held Saturday night, Jim Lyles was re-elected president and Marjorie was selected as the next meeting place of the convention, which will be held on the second Saturday night and Sunday in October.

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GORMAN NEWS BRIEFS

Special Correspondence.
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Rain is badly needed in this section of the county and the planting of crops, in some instances, is being delayed on account of the dry weather.
 J. W. Cockrill, editor of the Gorman progress, was among those from Gorman called to Eastland today for jury service.
 I. C. Underwood, W. A. Sutton, J. C. Brewer and E. C. Blackwell were elected trustees of the Gorman independent school district at the recent election.

Work on the tabernacle and other buildings being erected in Gorman by the Church of God is now under way.
 A spudding machine has been moved to the Perry place two and one half miles east of Gorman and a well is to be spudded in at once, it is stated.
 A movement is on foot to build a lake near Gorman to be used for boating and fishing.
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Ranger Chamber Will Meet, May Name Secretary

The directors of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight at 7:30. It is probable that a successor to C. C. Patterson, who recently resigned as secretary of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, will be named at this time. Several applications are on file.

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Sunday Was Busy Day for Eastland County Speed Cops

Highway Officer Bob Hammett was a very busy man Sunday and when he retired from active service for the day, 11 alleged violators of the traffic law were arrested and given notice to appear before "Hizzonner" Judge Jim Steele. According to Hammett several were using the highway for a race track and several were a bit reckless.

The list included the following names: R. Wenzel, L. M. Prince, Hud Patterson, C. C. Harmon, Douglas Grimes, Verdette Lancaster, Leon Shields, A. B. McDougl, R. J. Brooks, J. C. Hemphill, Barney Burgamy.

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Indications Point to Record Crowd at C. of C. Convention

Three Governors, One Cabinet Member and One United States Senator on Program, 10 to 20 Thousand to March in Parade.

WICHITA FALLS, April 11.—Six weeks in advance of the ninth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, which will be held here May 16 and 17, indications are that all attendance records for this convention will be smashed. Several cities in West Texas have announced they will send at least 500 representatives to the meetings, while many places plan to send from 25 to 100 delegates.

What is declared to be one of the most constructive programs ever arranged for a convention like this has been prepared by representatives of the West Texas organization and the staff members of the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce. This program also includes many unusual entertainment features. Outstanding among these will be the Congress of Nations, in which it is expected 40 or 50 cities and towns will come in costume and colors of some foreign nation.

This Congress of Nations idea will be carried out in the great convention parade which takes place the afternoon of the first day. It is expected that from 10,000 to 20,000 people will march in this parade. Then in the evening, in front of Spudder park grandstand the sponsors will be presented in what promises to be one of the most colorful programs of the kind ever arranged in the southwest. These sponsors will dress in costumes common to the country represented by the city she represents.

More than a score of prominent West Texas laymen will occupy the pulpits of the churches in the city Sunday morning. They will speak on the subject "Business and Religion." In the afternoon United States Senator Morris Sheppard will speak and at night a great choral contest will feature.

Monday morning the first business session will be held. President Arthur P. Duggan will deliver his annual message. Hon. Robert Ellis, who will then be president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, will deliver the principal address. Three governors are expected to be on the platform at the time. They are: Governor Moody of Texas, Governor Dillon of New Mexico, and Governor Johnston of Oklahoma. They will bring greetings from their respective states. Following this business session the convention parade will be staged, followed by the presentation of the sponsors in the evening. Tuesday morning Hon.

Moslah Temple's Ceremonial Will Draw Big Crowd

By United Press.
FORT WORTH, April 11.—Fort Worth will be the mecca of the nobility of Texas upon the occasion of the holding of Moslah temple's spring ceremonial, Saturday, May 7.

Reports indicate that nobles from all the temples in the territory will leave early to be here in time for the beginning of the festivities.

The ceremonial under Potentate A. L. Schuman will feature "A Night in Bagdad."

Special entertainment will precede the ceremonial in the afternoon at the mosque on Lake Worth for the nobles.

During the morning an informal dance will be held in the crystal ballroom of the Texas hotel from 11 until noon. The street parade will begin at 11 o'clock.

Special new stunts are being built in order that the nobles may have plenty of opportunity to laugh during the crossing of the desert by the nobles on their trek to visit the sacred city of Mecca.

It is expected this ceremonial will have the largest number yet of ring candidates.

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Eastland Fire Chief's Father Buried Monday

Funeral services for F. H. Hennessee, 70, who died at the home of his son, Mac Hennessee, in Eastland about 6 o'clock Sunday evening, were conducted from the First Methodist church this afternoon at 3:30 by the pastor, Rev. Frank E. Singleton.

Mr. Hennessee, who had been in ill health for some months, came to Eastland from Haskell less than a year ago. Only a few days ago he developed pneumonia which was followed by a partial stroke of paralysis, causing his death.

The deceased is survived by his widow and five children as follows: Mac Hennessee, chief of the Eastland fire department; Mrs. Richard Jones and Miss Octa Hennessee of Eastland; W. R. Hennessee of Wichita Falls and Neill Hennessee of near Amarillo.

LENTE MEDITATIONS.
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MANGUM NEWS

MANGUM, April 11.—Rain is needed very badly on the crops and gardens in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Woods of De Leon visited in the home of W. E. Ellison one evening last week.

W. H. May was in Eastland last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Switzer attended church in Eastland last Sunday night.

Mr. John Williams and family, also Mrs. Williams' mother visited Mrs. W. E. Ellison last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. S. Turner of Pumpkin Center was in Mangum Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ellison, formerly of Cisco are now making their home in Mangum.

S. M. Hagar visited in Kokomo Sunday.

Miss Faye Hagar visited Miss Frances Beeson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Coats of Cisco visited Mrs. Abe May Sunday.

Mrs. John Slaughter and children of Eastland attended church at Mangum Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ellison and Miss Lois Ellison visited J. D. Gordon and family of Olden Wednesday night.

Abe May was in Eastland Friday.

Mrs. M. J. Parks visited Miss Lela Garrett Saturday morning.

Mrs. W. B. Ellison and Miss Lois Ellison were business visitors in Eastland Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. D. W. Switzer, Mrs. W. E. Ellison and daughter Lois were in Ranger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hogg visited Mrs. M. A. Gaun Sunday.

The school board election was held at Mangum school house Saturday. Earnest Payne and Abe May were elected as trustees.

W. E. Ellison attended the I. O. O. F. lodge at Eastland Tuesday night.

Mrs. Allie Campbell and children were in Carbon Friday.

Miss Lois Ellison visited in Cisco Wednesday.

Miss Carrie Gaun is the new clerk in the Mangum post office.

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HEADS OF TEXAS LEAGUE TEAMS ALL HAVE HOPES

By United Press.
Snipe Conley of the Dallas Steers: "We've been lucky. Last year we won the pennant and then beat New Orleans for the Dixie title. That ball club we had will be 25 per cent stronger this year even if we don't make a change for the simple reason that we've been through one Texas league campaign together, the club hasn't a single bit of dissension hidden anywhere, and we're confident."
Jakey Atz of the Fort Worth Cats: "Perhaps the Fort Worth fans are not as enthusiastic about the prospects of the Cats as they were in years back when we ruled the roost but that isn't worrying us any. We have good pennant possibilities and believe that before the end of the season the fans will be with us."
Honus Mitze of the San Antonio Bears: "My team as a whole should field and hit much better than last year's aggregation and in the event they do and the pitchers maintain the brand of mound work they have displayed against the Detroit Tigers in the spring series, it'll be a hard job to keep the Bruins off the top rung of the percentage ladder."
Joe Mathis of the Houston Buffaloes: "The fastest infield we've ever had, the best outfield in years, a fairly good catching staff and a horde of likely looking pitchers to pick from."
Ded Pratt of the Waco Cubs: "Don't pick Waco to win the pennant. My big hope is that we'll get into the first division."
Jim Galloway of the Beaumont Oilers: "I refuse to even make a guess."
Carl Williams of the Wichita Falls Spudders: "If I can have average luck, if my pitchers are just ordinarily free from injuries, and if we hit even 10 points better per man under what records indicate we should, I think we will be in there."
Dugan Phelan of the Shreveport Sports: "There's nothing sensational about our ball club. It won't be invested with fence-busters or no-hit pitchers or strikeout artists, but it'll be a steady, consistent ball club that isn't going to be anybody's meat."

Examinations In Civil Service Are Announced
The United States civil service commission today launched its country-wide campaign to recruit eligibles for the 2,500 positions in the bureau of prohibition announcing open competitive examinations for the following positions:
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24 assistant prohibition administrators (permissive work), at \$3,300 to \$5,200 a year.
50 deputy prohibition administrators, at \$3,000 to \$4,600 a year.
2 field office inspectors, at \$3,800 to \$3,900 a year.
4 associate field office inspectors, at \$3,000 to \$3,600 a year.
18 senior prohibition investigators, at \$3,800 a year.
109 prohibition investigators, at \$3,000 a year.
53 junior prohibition investigators, at \$2,400 a year.
228 prohibition agents, at \$2,400 a year.
1,260 junior prohibition agents, at \$1,860 a year.
102 warehouse watchmen, at \$1,140 to \$1,800 a year.
74 attorneys, at \$1,860 to \$5,200 a year.

The civil service commission states that the examinations will be practical, each kind specially designated to test the qualifications and fitness of the applicants to perform the particular branch of the work for which that kind of examination is held. Copies of the examination announcements and application blanks may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or from the secretary of the local board of civil service examiners at the postoffice in this city or any other city. The examination announcements give detailed information regarding the scope of the examinations and the requirements for entrance thereto.

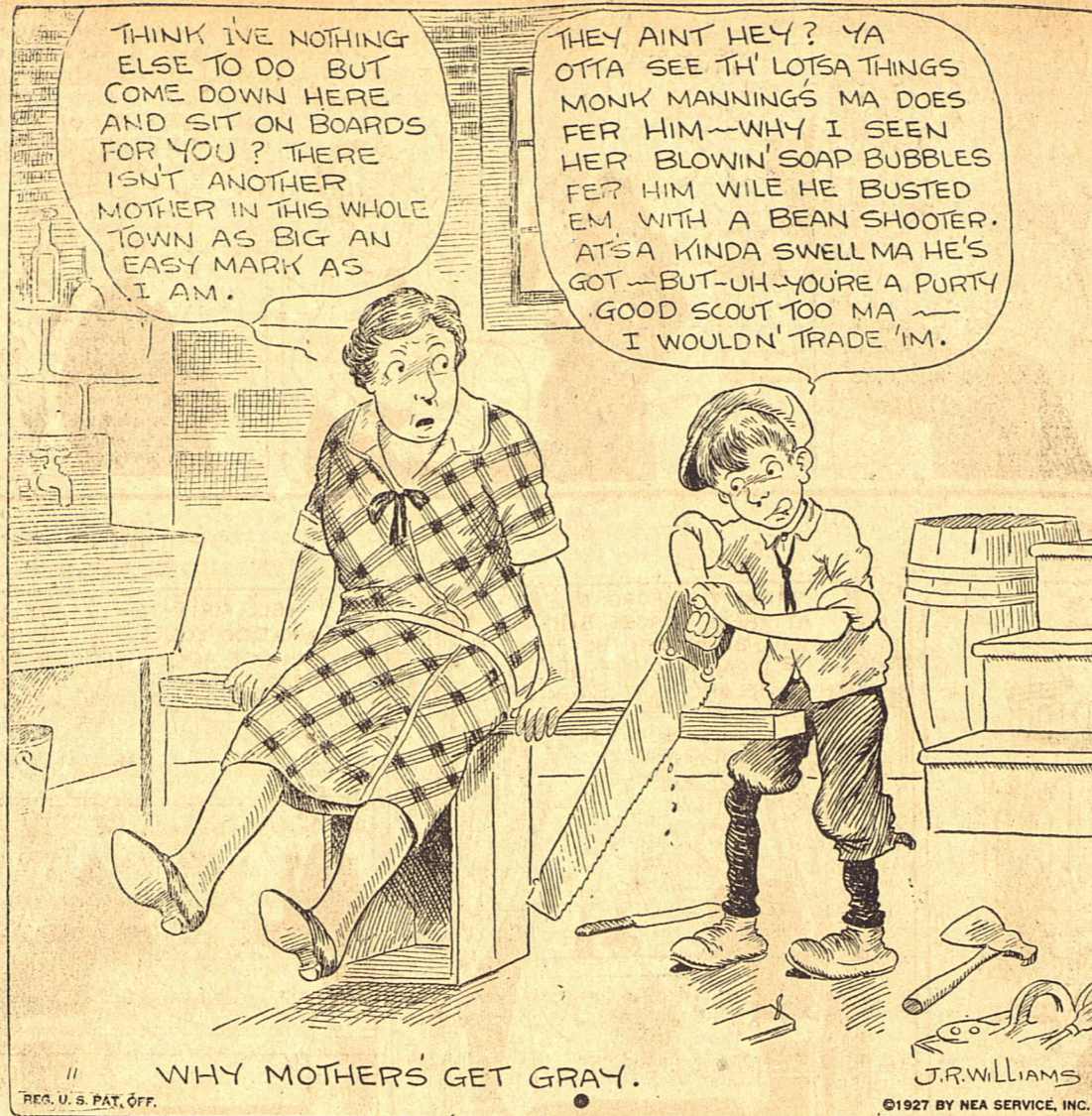
Governor and U.S. Senators Will Be On C. C. Program

LONGVIEW, April 11.—Governor Dan Moody and United States senators Earle B. Mayfield and Morris Sheppard, will be on the program of the first annual convention of the East Texas chamber of commerce to be held in Tyler April 20-21. The convention number East Texas, as the official publication of the East Texas chamber of commerce, is off the press. This number is the largest and most pretentious yet published by the organization. The cover, done in four colors, depicts the varied resources of East Texas grouped around a central doorway through which may be seen the Tyler court house in the background.

Several Americans were reported mistreated in Paris last summer, so there will be a big rush of travel from this country this year.

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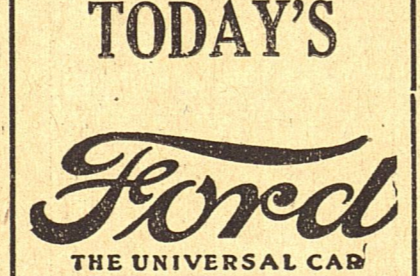
CAREER OF U. S. CONSULATE ONE OF MANY VARIED ADVENTURES

By United Press.
BRADFORD, England.—The lives of American consuls are not always the successive days of uneventful routine that they are popularly supposed to be, it is revealed in an interview with A. R. Thomason, United States consul at Bradford, which appears in the "Yorkville Observer."
"During the 15 years that I have been in various countries I have been in many weird places, and seen many weird sights," said Thomason.
"On the outbreak of the late war I left Berlin for the Balkans—and soon found myself in the heart of the terrible typhus epidemic which followed the wake of war in Serbia. The principal feature of my work at Nisch (temporary capital of Serbia in those days) was a neutral intermediary between the Serbian authorities and 40,000 Austrian interned civilians, together with 60,000 Austrian war prisoners.
Typhus Epidemic.
"Of the war prisoners 40,000 were wiped out by the typhus epidemic, and the consulate was deluged by telegrams concerning the welfare of Austrian officers and men.
"I was instrumental in bringing the American Red Cross sanitary commission out to the affected area, but it was quite six months before they, in conjunction with the British-Serbian medical authorities, were

able to stamp out the disease and render the country comparatively safe.
"From Serbia I passed to Salonika, and there remained for two years, during which period the British and other allied forces occupied the port.
Delicate Work.
"The nature of American consular duties in Salonika at that time was exceedingly delicate, because America, as the leading neutral, was charged with the protection of central power interests, in the same way that she protected allied interests in central Europe.
Many life and death questions came up for consideration, dealing with espionage and the protection of German and Turkish civilians.
"These questions were made more difficult because the parties protected felt that the consul was not sufficiently active on their behalf, while the allied military powers felt that the consul was too energetic!
"Of this situation I may give an interesting illustration. One day a mysterious message reached the consulate from a Salonika prisoner. How it had been smuggled forth was, and remains, a mystery.
"It set forth that the writer was condemned to be shot as a spy, and explained that he was Austrian vice consul at Monastir, Serbia (then occupied by the central powers), and that while acting as a diplomatic

courier from that city to the Austrian legation at Athens he was captured by allied forces.
"The prisoner claimed exemption from arrest and death penalty on the grounds of diplomatic immunity, and appealed to us for assistance. As American vice consul, I discreetly approached the allied military authorities, who retorted that in their judgment the prisoner was not a diplomat, and that they had records which showed that he was an Austrian officer during the earlier part of the war.
Saves Man's Life.
"As a result of my intervention, however, the death sentence was commuted to one of 20 years imprisonment of the officer-consul since, but I presume he was set at liberty after the armistice.
"From Salonika I was detailed to Moscow, where thrilling and hectic experiences came thick and fast. I remember with particular vividness how the consulate came in for its quota of machine gun and rifle fire during the overthrow of Kerensky's government.
"For 10 days members of the consular staff had to keep pretty much below the window sill level; every one of the windows was shattered, and I went through the whole period without a cigarette smoke.
"But the revolution had its amus-

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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.
GOING EAST
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.
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ing aspects. During this period I remember seeing a notice painted on railway carriage windows which, being interpreted, read: "Order—Soldiers will not throw passengers out of the windows until the train stops." It should be explained that the railways were at this time heavily laden with troops, and civilian passengers could not be sure of retaining their seats for any great length of time.
"After these and similar experiences such a consulate as Bradford comes as a decidedly pleasant contrast. Indeed, Bradford is a reward that has been given to me for hectic times endured in various parts of the world.
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- 1925 Ford Coupe. Motor O. K., tires and paint new. This week \$250
- 1926 Ford Touring, new tires and top. A good car \$265
- 1926 Chevrolet Truck. Cab and grain body, Only used 3 months a great saving \$625
- 1926 Ford Truck. Cab and body in good shape and ready to use \$325

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Railroad Rates For West Texas C. C. Convention

Secretary C. C. Patterson of the Ranger chamber of commerce, is in receipt of information regarding rates to Wichita Falls for the West Texas chamber of commerce meeting, May 13, 14 and 15. Reduced rates on a "zone basis" have been announced by the Texas railroads, from May 13 to May 19. The minimum selling fare will be \$1.00.

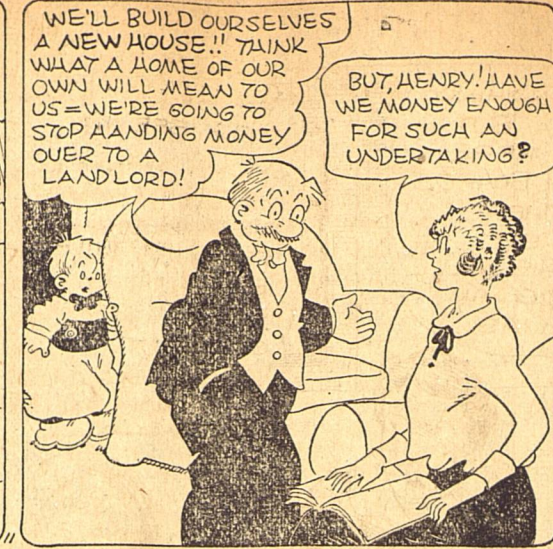
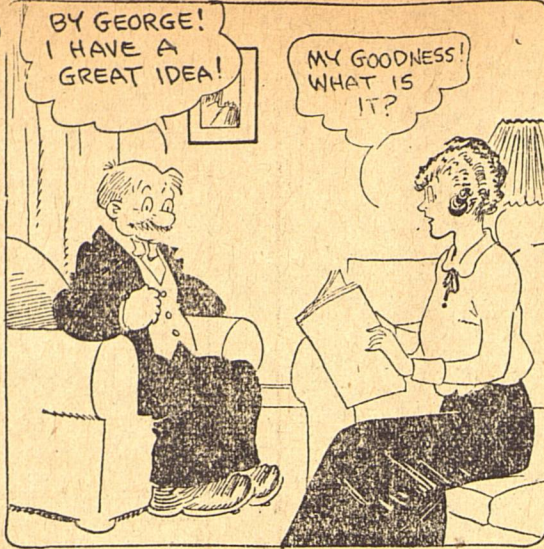
The "zone basis" is a graduated scale of fares providing for basis of one and one-half fares from points within a distance of 295 miles of Wichita Falls, and from points 600 miles and over the fare basis is one fare plus \$1.00. From points between 300 and 599 miles of Wichita Falls, the fares vary from one and one-third to one and one-fifth.

Clarence Darrow says life is a continual fight. Just like a man who lives in Chicago to say that!

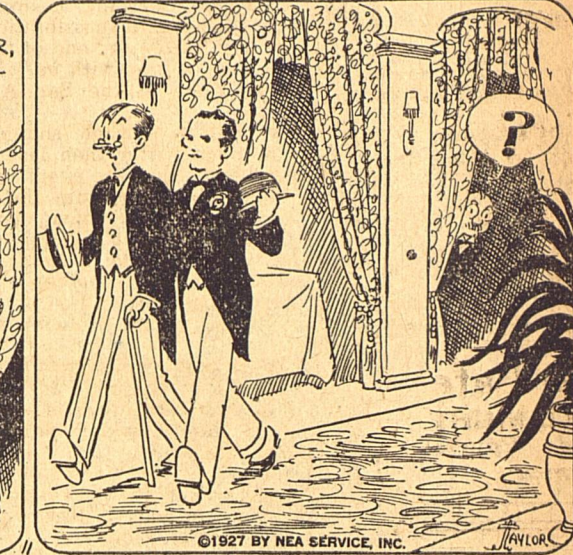
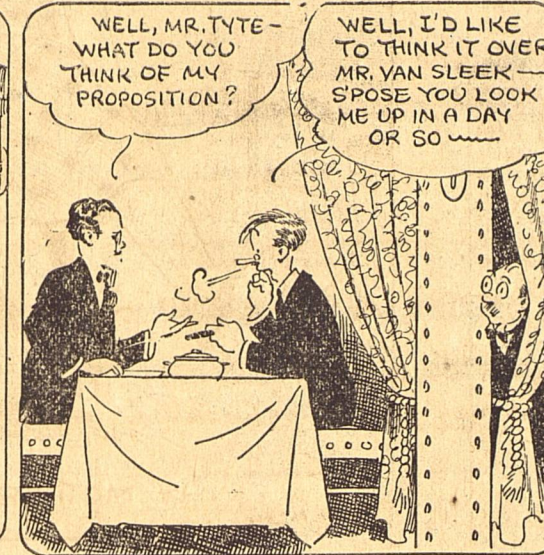
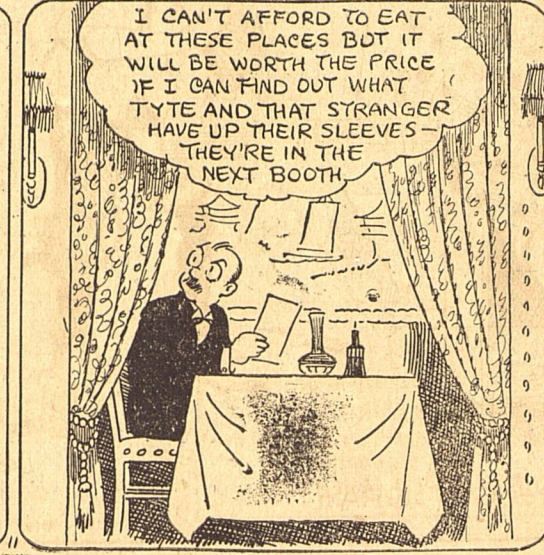
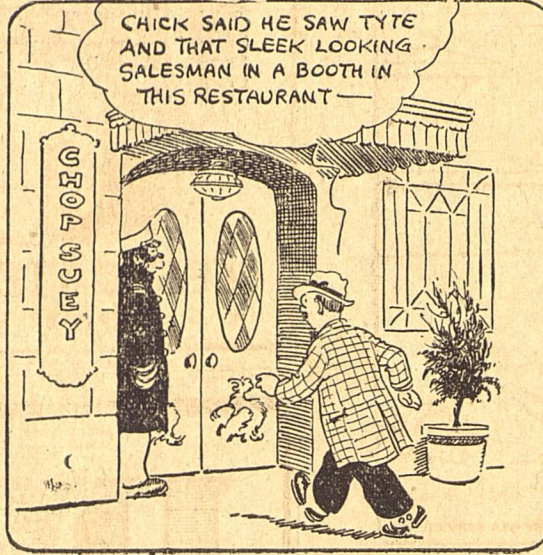
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 LOST—Platinum Shrine pin with 3 diamonds. Liberal reward if returned to W. W. Paschall at S. & H. Store, Ranger.
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 FOR SALE—Electric Trow washing machine, nearly new. Radio Cafe, 113 N. Austin street, Ranger.
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19—FOR SALE OR TRADE
 TRADE IN your old ice box on a Copeland all-porcelain electric refrigerator. Phone 25. The Electric Shop, 305 Main st., Ranger, Texas.
21—LEGAL NOTICES
 POUND SALE—On Thursday, April 14, 3 p. m. at 301 South Commerce, there will be sold one small light brindle mottled faced cow and young red calf; cow branded K on left hip. O. V. Davenport, chief police, Ranger.
 NOTICE OF SALE—Notice is hereby given that we will sell at public auction at our place of business at the corner of Pine and Rusk street, in the city of Ranger, Eastland county, Texas, on Wednesday, April 27, 1927, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., one two-ton Nash truck, model number 3018, motor number 182883, together with all equipment thereon, said sale to be made to satisfy our claim for storage of said truck against John Doe Allen and True & Co., amounting to the sum of \$210. Dated this 8th day of April, 1927. Westgate Tire & Battery Co., by W. B. Westgate.
22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK
 FOR SALE—A few choice cockerels, Tom Barron strain. J. S. Ballew, 113 N. Austin street, Ranger.
22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK
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 BABY CHICKS—English Leghorns, BANY and CHICKS; R. I. Reds and Barred Rocks, \$18 per 100. We do custom hatching. Dudley Bros. Hatchery, 105 S. Marston, Ranger.
23—AUTOMOBILES
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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Mom'n Pop



By Taylor

Dan Horn Will Hold Community Fair Next Fall

At the community meeting at Dan Horn Friday, it was decided to hold a community fair in that neighborhood at the schoolhouse on Wednesday, Sept. 14. W. E. Starr, chairman potato grower of West Texas, was designated president; R. R. Bradshaw, secretary, and Mrs. R. R. Bradshaw, superintendent of the women's department.

Dan Horn takes lead in the county and is one of the most progressive communities. W. E. Starr, president of the organization, is one of the most progressive farmers in the state and owns his own potato curing plant.

Last year he set a precedent in feeding for market hot house lambs demonstrating that it can profitably be done in Eastland county at little expense.

COUNTY AGENTS ARE BUSY WITH CLUB WORK

County Agent J. C. Patterson and home Demonstration Agent Miss Ruth Ramey are out working with the club boys and girls at Bedford, Olden and Colony today.

A deaf mute has been denied a chauffeur's license. Let's hope he takes up barbering.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS.

No. 12,724.
 You are hereby commanded to summon Sirlinda Hoffman by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county and in the 88th judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the Eighty-eighth district court of Eastland county, to be holden at the courthouse thereof, in Eastland, on the first Monday in May, A. D. 1927, on the same being the 2nd day of May, A. D. 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court as No. 12,724 wherein W. H. Hoffman is plaintiff, and Sirlinda Hoffman is defendant, and said petition alleging plaintiff and defendant were legally married at Miami, Okla., Jan. 21, 1922, and plaintiff avers that some time during the month of November, 1923, defendant voluntarily left plaintiff with the intention of permanently abandoning him.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between himself and defendant and granting him a divorce, as is by law in such cases provided.

Herein fail not, and have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Eastland county this the 19th day of March, A. D. 1927.
 (seal) WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Clerk, District Courts, Eastland County, Mar. 21-28-April 4-11.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between W. W. Edrington and L. A. Whitehall of Ranger, Eastland county, Texas, and doing business under the firm name of Victory Service Station was by mutual consent dissolved on Feb. 20, 1927.

All debts owing to said partnership are to be received by the said L. A. Whitehall, and all claims against said partnership to be paid by him; and the business shall continue under the firm name as heretofore, and the said L. A. Whitehall shall be sole and exclusive owner thereof.

Witness our hands this 20th day of February, 1927.
 W. W. EDRINGTON,
 L. A. WHITEHALL,
 Apr. 4-11-18.—Adv.

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Garrett Folsom is stabbed to death while swimming at Ocean Town, N.J. Folsom's bathing companions had been Roger Neville, a business partner; Mrs. Helen Barnaby and Carmelita Valdon.

Anastasia Folsom, eccentric and masterful sister of the dead man, takes command. At the inquest it is learned that the death weapon was a pichaq, an Oriental knife, and it had been bought on the boardwalk. It is learned that one Croydon Sears is a fancier of curious weapons. He admits buying two knives but not the pichaq.

Anastasia engages Titus Riggs, an architect, to work on the case. Dan Pelton, the dead man's nephew, arrives and is puzzled by some curious French dolls in Folsom's room. Croydon Sears sends for Fleming Stone, famous detective. He tells him Folsom had been blackmailing him and he had lied at the inquest but was innocent.

Stone meets others of the circle, including Ned Barron and his wife, Madeline, and begins quietly to work it develops that Carmelita Valdon stole some letters from Folsom's effects, thereby bringing suspicion on herself. Sears says that had he been the murderer the last weapon he would have resorted to would have been one of his own knives.

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Stone smiled at him affectionately. "I'm excluding Mr. Sears as a possible suspect," he said, "because he didn't do it. But the police are not so sure of that as I am, and so to prove my point I must find the real murderer."

"Who is," Sears appended, "the man who bought a bundle of junk at the auction room late in the evening the night before the murder?"

"And who," Anastasia broke in, "bought it for Carmelita Valdon. Oh, it wasn't necessary for her to go out and buy it herself. She is a woman who has others to do her underhand work. And I've listened to all you've said, Mr. Stone, and it all comes back to me. For who else knew in advance that my brother was coming down here? No one knew it except the Valdon crowd."

"That includes Roger Neville," said Stone, thoughtfully. "Has no breath of suspicion been wafted his way?"

"No," Titus Riggs said. "It hasn't. I've wondered why but nobody seems to know of him in that way."

"Certainly not," snapped Miss Folsom. "Roger Neville is no saint, but he and Gary were intimate friends. They were fond of each other, and, though they quarrelled now and then, they were really devoted. Why, they both made wills leaving large sums to the other. Had Roger died first Gary would have come into quite a fortune."

"Which he didn't need," suggested Stone.

"Oh, no. My brother was a rich man. Well, Mr. Stone, I suppose it's too late for you to do anything further tonight. I hope you'll get busy in the morning and round up that Carmelita woman. Remember, she's about the only one in all Ocean Town who knew beforehand that my brother was coming down here."

With this parting bit of suggestion, Miss Folsom went off to her own room, and the men remained for a few more words.

"My aunt is a strange personage," Pelton said, thoughtfully, "but she's nobody's fool. And her arguments against Mrs. Valdon are just plausible enough to catch the attention of the police if they are brought to their notice. So, Mr. Stone, while I don't ask you to ignore Aunt Anastasia's suspicions and suggestion, I do ask you to look into the matter yourself before you give it much publicity."

"I shall certainly do that, Mr. Pelton," Stone said, "and if it is of any comfort to you, and I dare say it is, I can tell you that I think there is so far little evidence against Mrs. Valdon."

"Bless you for that!" said Dan Pelton so earnestly that Stone was touched. "Yes," he went on, not-

All at Sea Carolyn Wells



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ing Stone's quick glance, "as my aunt says, I have fallen for that woman. To me she is a waif of fortune, a toy of fate, but not the scheming adventuress my aunt would make her seem. Nor is she a murderess! The very idea is unthinkable! But my uncle did have a hold over her; did he leave letters from her, and she did try to get them without the knowledge of the sensation-seeking police. Those things I know."

"What was in the letters or whether she did finally get them, I don't know. But they were here, in the suitcase, right on top, and they're not here now. I am frank, Mr. Stone because I want the matter cleared up as well as my aunt does, and if you can get at the real truth you can do away with all hint of suspicion of Mrs. Valdon."

Stone looked at him a little quizzically. "I had but two legitimate suspects," he said, with pretended ruefulness. "Sears here and Mrs. Valdon. If you deprive me of both, at one fell swoop, what, pray, am I to do?"

"Get the real one," said Titus Riggs rising to go. "I can't do it; I haven't a glimmer of a notion what way to look, but I'll bet you manage it, Mr. Stone."

"I'll bet he does," agreed Pelton but the anxious eyes of Croydon Sears did not echo their assurances. "I'll have a try at it," Stone told them. "But I don't mind admitting that at the present I've no evidence to work on, no clue to follow up. I'm all at sea."

"Then you're right on the spot," said Pelton, with a flash of his irrefragable gaiety, "for that's where the crime was committed!"

"A strange case," Stone said to Sears as they left the room and went toward their own apartments. "I've never before heard of a murder in the ocean. It is clever, I'll say that for it. Just think, Croy, no fingerprints, no clues left lying about, no witnesses no evidence to be drawn from the scene of this crime, and I feel sure the murderer thought there

"Some," Stone returned, smiling. "But as I told Sears, I'm all at sea, unless I can get a straw to show which way the wind may, can or must be blowing."

"You can't make bricks without straws, can you?" Robin smiled, and added, "I'll bet you've crossed my mind off the list of possibles."

"I'll bet I haven't," Stone said. "But that's because he never was on it. And, it's a very small, faint list, anyway. However, we're only starting in, and no telling what favoring winds may blow us to port sooner than we expect."

"Who's at the top of your list?" Barron asked, his curiosity getting the better of him.

"A beautiful lady," Stone said. "Don't ask me her name yet, for something tells me she'll be crossed off my list. Indeed, so far it's all a blank mystery. I'm lost in a fog of hovering possibilities, none of which will take shape or tangibility. The only straight facts are that Garrett Folsom was stabbed and that somebody stabbed him."

"Couldn't have been suicide?" asked Barron.

"No chance. The doctors agree on that, and—by the way, you stood next to him. Can you see a suicide act?"

"No, indeed," Ned Barron shrugged his shoulders. "I was paying no attention to him, for I wanted to discourage his attempts at conversation, but as I look back and visualize the scene, I seem to see his two hands grasping the rope next to my own."

"You saw him go under?"

"No, for I was turned away, speaking to Madeline. But I saw and heard a commotion and next thing I knew they were carrying him out. I didn't notice it much, assuming it was a case of cramps. It happens so often."

"Well, your testimony doesn't help me any. You didn't know him at all?"

"Not at all. Never heard of him before that day. It was the merest chance that we stood near him."

"Well, it's a puzzle," sighed Stone. "We've nothing to work on but people's prejudices, a dagger and a few dolls! That doesn't seem much for an alibi detective!"

"Dolls!" exclaimed Robin, "what dolls?"

(To be continued)

Stone does not believe Carmelita guilty; yet he can't dismiss her entirely. In the next chapter he learns more about the purchaser of the pichaq.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS PACKED TO HEAR BRITISH TAX PLANS

By United Press. LONDON, April 11.—Every available inch of sitting space and standing room in the house of commons was packed to capacity today to hear Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, announce Great Britain's 1927-28 budget, and how he proposed to stretch the elasticity of the tax-payers of pockets to make the national "in-come" meet an 800,000,000-pound "out-go."

This was Churchill's third budget and there was the keenest interest to learn what new surprises his practiced hand would spring. But for every one of the thousand persons whom privilege or pull had admitted to commons, there were several thousand Britishers outside throughout the islands who awaited with the same eagerness for the newspapers and the radio broadcasters to repeat the text of Churchill's budget speech.

Rich-man; poor-man; beggar-man; thief—all were interested in his speech, which directly or indirectly extracts the farthings or pounds from every purse in England. Today was the one day in the long, and often tedious routine of the parliamentary year when every eye from the "benches" and to John O'Grady's scanned the columns of the late editions of the afternoon papers for details of a parliamentary speech—the one day in the year when every owner of a radio set tuned in on a parliamentary announcement.

Probably the most eagerly awaited of all his announcements related to the income tax, followed second by the anticipated reduction on the tax on whisky standing at present at the high level of 72 shillings six pence per proof gallon. His next most eagerly awaited items related to the proposed increase on the tax on cigarettes and wine.

Just before Churchill arose at 4 o'clock to make his speech many peers from the adjacent house of lords drifted into the floor of the house of commons and simultaneously the seats in the distinguished visitors' section filled with a gathering of diplomatic representatives of foreign countries. Churchill's resourcefulness in raising revenue is well known, and the interest in how he would go about it this year, judging by the faces of diplomats, was by no means confined exclusively to the British parliamentarians.

Goldwyn Pays Big Price For Rights On Best Seller

Samuel Goldwyn paid \$125,000 for the screen rights to Harold Bell Wright's best selling book, "The Winning of Barbara Worth," which comes to the Lamb theatre Tuesday and Wednesday in film form. It was the avowed intention of the pioneering film producer, when he and director Henry King purchased the film rights in New York, that the story should lose none of its sweep, none of its dominating power and dramatic appeal in the transfilming process.

Carrying out this idea successfully, Mr. Goldwyn assigned Frances Marion, famous scenarist, to do the scenario for the screen version. She worked for six months, while studio technicians toiled over various pre-production angles and Mr. King traveled more than five thousand miles seeking a typical and realistic location, which he found on the desolate but impressive Black Rock desert of Nevada.

The film version preserves each great incident of the novel, including the thrilling ride of Willard Holmes and Abe Lee with the money to pay striking workers in Jefferson Worth's struggling town of Barba, and the terrific sandstorm which orphaned the tiny Barbara.

The very setting duplicates the Imperial Valley of California, where the original action took place.

Even in casting, the tempo of the story played an important part. Ronald Colman plays Willard Holmes, talented young eastern engineer, who came to the desert for money but remained for love.

The role of Barbara is filled by Vilma Banky, whose delicate blonde beauty and versatility are typical of the real American girl she portrays.

Shiver Saver



Ever been called out of your bath by that red-darned telephone a-ringing to shiver with the receiver in hand while Mrs. Gumgotz from next door spills all the neighborhood gossip? Or tried to get a fast shave only to have it similarly interrupted, the soap dry and your humor spoiled? That's out henceforth in New York hotels. Telephones have been installed in bathrooms within easy reach of tub and basin, as here demonstrated by Alexander Gruen and Margaret Earle.

Eastland County Girls To Compete In Arts Contest

One Ranger girl and the violin choir of Eastland county composed of violinists from Ranger, Cisco and Eastland, directed by Miss Wilda Drago, will compete in the fine arts contest to be held at Texas woman's college on April 15-16.

Miss Evelyn Long of Ranger will give a violin solo, which to conform with the rules of the contest will be "Adoration," Borowski. Two additional selections of equal grade to be prepared, one of which will be chosen by the judges for performance. All numbers are to be played from memory. The first prize in this contest is a \$100 scholarship. The second prize is a \$50 scholarship in Texas woman's college.

In the orchestra competition all contestants are to play overture, "Princess of India" and to prepare two additional numbers one of which will be selected by the judges to be played.

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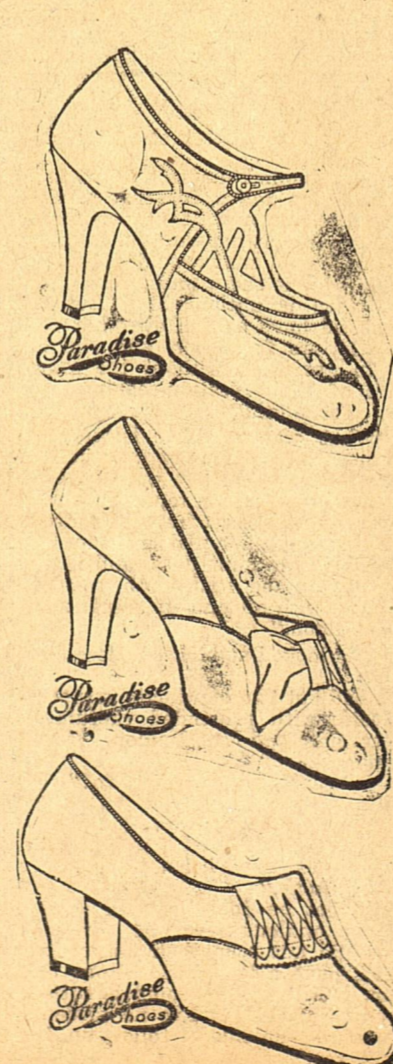
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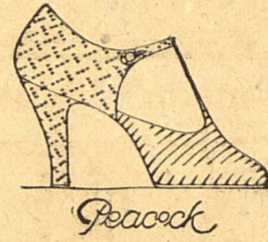
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Fifth Division Of American Legion Meet in Lubbock

By United Press. LUBBOCK, April 11.—The semi-annual convention of the fifth division of the American Legion will be held here May 21 and 22, according to announcement by legion officials.

The fifth division is composed of 110 counties comprising all the territory from El Paso on the west to Kerrville on the south, Quanah on the east and the state boundary line on the north. Membership in the divisions totals nearly 3,900.



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Just how extensive the work of improvement is to be, is not known.

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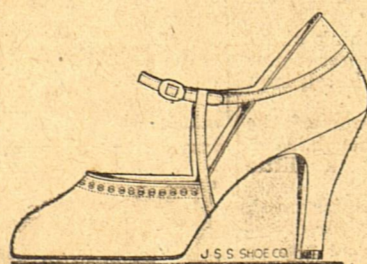
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