

JAPAN THREATENS TO QUIT CONFERENCE

WITHDRAWAL OF JAP TROOPS IS PEKIN DEMAND

Indignation Intense Throughout Whole of China Over Presence of Jap Soldiers.

PEKIN, July 13.—Foreign office of the Pekin government today protested against the presence of Japanese troops in China. The protest was lodged with the Japanese legation here. "Indignation is intense throughout the entire country," the note said. Immediate withdrawal of forces was demanded.

Mellon With His Children Takes Real Vacation

WASHINGTON.—Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon, the hardest working official of the government, is taking his first real vacation in years.

Scattered on the Mediterranean Sea, Mellon with his family, Mr. and Mrs. David E. K. Bruce and his son Paul, are on the yacht *Valentia* visiting old ports and just drifting. Mellon has taken a vacation every year but usually he combines business with pleasure. On his previous trips abroad he visited statesmen of foreign nations and discussed financial problems. This trip is for pleasure only.

The Secretary decided on the Mediterranean voyage in order to have a family reunion, to avoid process servers and to rest. His daughter, Mrs. Bruce, has been in Paris and Rome for several years where her husband has been assigned in consular service and his son, Paul, has been away at college. The 73-year-old financial wizard, virtually alone in the world, living alone in Washington, planned the trip to become reacquainted with his children.

Then, too, Mellon is one of the most sued men in the country. Being a millionaire and a federal official in charge of the government's finances, he is bombarded with damage suits of every description.

Recently when a process server called at his office he welcomed the man with a smile and remarked "another one." Then he angrily said, "I get these summons about once a week but they haven't got me in jail yet."

Mellon said his vacation this year would be the best he has taken since he was a young man and toured Scotland by coach. On that trip, he explained, he rode through Scotland atop a coach, stopping at inns each night and sightseeing enroute.

Sheep and Goat Raisers Meet at Kerrville July 19

KERRVILLE, July 13.—An exhibit of more than 700 pure bred sheep raised in Michigan, Ohio, Utah and California will feature the sheep show to be held here in connection with the annual convention of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' association July 19 to 21.

In addition to this exhibit several hundred sheep most of which have been imported from southwestern states, will be on exhibit. All of the sheep exhibited will be sold for breeding purposes. Representatives of the Japanese, Russian and Portuguese governments will attend the exhibit to purchase some of the sheep when they are auctioned by Dwight Lincoln, veteran auctioneer of this section.

Many prominent men have been invited as speakers at the convention. Among them are Frank Bullard Woodland, Cal., president of the American Rambouillet Sheep breeders' association; Walter Humphreys, secretary of the national association of wool manufacturers; Jesse Jones, Houston; Dayton Moses, Fort Worth, attorney for the Texas and Southwestern cattle raisers' association; State Senator Benjamin Berkeley, Alpine and Congressman Tom Connally, Marlin.

Four Year Old Boy Son of Farmer Is Drowned at Temple

TEMPLE, Texas, July 13.—Aubrey Clark, 4, son of L. O. Clark farmer, drowned while swimming in a creek near here today.

Although the father was working nearby, he did not discover the tragedy until the boy failed to answer his call.

This Famous Pair May Wed



From Paris comes the report that Mrs. Dorothy Ingram, widow of Enrico Caruso, and Alexander P. Moore, Pittsburgh newspaper publisher, former ambassador to Spain and husband of the late Lillian Russell are to marry. This picture of the couple promenading on Parke avenue in New York has never been published before.

Dead In Earthquake May Reach Big Figure

Unofficial Estimates Run as High as 1,000; Official Check Now Shows But 250.

CAIRO, Egypt, July 13.—Conflicting reports today from the stricken area of Transjordan and the Holy Land placed the death toll of Monday's earthquake between 250 and 1,000.

The high figure of 1,000 was unofficial. It was feared many missing bodies would be found buried in ruins at various points over a vast area stretching from Egypt to Syria. Disrupted telegraph and railroad communications added to the difficulty of obtaining accurate reports of the dead and injured.

The Jerusalem correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph said today that the latest official check up of the havoc wrought by Monday's earthquake showed a death list of 250. That total included 85 killed in an outlying district, heretofore unheard of.

Five hundred persons were injured and many women were among the casualties the report said.

Smith Succeeds John McGarvey as Superintendent

J. A. Smith, former district gauger of the Olden district of the Magnolia Petroleum company, has been appointed superintendent of pipe lines for the Olden district of the company, to succeed John McGarvey, who died last Saturday. The appointment of Mr. Smith met with the approval of all the employees of the company as their association with Mr. Smith during his three and one-half years in Olden has been most pleasant and satisfactory.

Mr. Smith is an oil man of wide experience and has been associated with the Standard oil company since 1900. His territory will take in Desdemona, Stephens, Ranger and the Olden fields and his jurisdiction covers the new ten-inch pipe line as far north as Truscott station. Five Smith lived in Ohio prior to coming to the Olden station of the Magnolia Petroleum company and during his residence at Olden he has made a large number of friends among the officers and employees of the company, as well as outside of the company.

KANGAROO BEATS RACE HORSE IN SPEED TEST

One of the fastest Australian race horses, ridden by an expert jockey, was decisively defeated by a kangaroo in a recent trial near Sydney. The contest was described as a "procession" with the horse pounding away and losing at every bound of the big kangaroo. The animal covered more than 30 feet at a jump when at full speed.

OKLAHOMA CORN CROP GOOD, BUT WHEAT SLUMPS

Bureau Estimate Places Corn Crop at Slightly Less Than 48,000,000 Bushels For This Year.

OKLAHOMA CITY, July 13.—From the wheat and corn fields of Oklahoma this year will come 39,995,000 bushels less wheat and 3,414,000 bushels less corn than was produced in 1926, according to a Federal state estimate of July 1, released today. Nevertheless the statisticians rate the Oklahoma corn crop as one of the most promising of the corn belt this year, grading it as 80 percent of normal on a total probable production of 47,764,000 bushels as against 61,178,000 bushels last year. Wheat, however, slumped to a 46 percent yield as compared with a record crop last year. This year's production is estimated at 33,750,000 bushels as compared with 73,745,000 bushels last year.

Pursued And Pursuers Stage Exciting Chase

A man who is alleged to have employed two different names in writing checks for Ranger merchants Wednesday morning and who when confronted with the fact showed considerable speed, was finally taken to the city hall where he was held for investigation. The chase by city police afforded considerable amusement to the noon hour crowd. The man is said to have purchased a pair of socks at the store of E. H. & A. Davis during the morning and to have paid for them with a \$5 check, to which he signed the name of D. C. Duncan, taking the difference in money. A check alleged to have been given another store was signed L. C. Cox.

Smith Plans To Leave Thursday For Honolulu

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—Principal flight interest passed today from Lieutenant Lester J. Maitland and Albert F. Hagenberger, who were resting to Ernest L. Smith and his silver-winged "City of Oakland," engaged in final test preparatory to a take-off tomorrow for Honolulu.

Smith, who took off with the army's "Bird of Paradise" June 28, but returned after nine minutes because of a cracked windshield, was confident his second attempt will prove successful. Four hundred gallons of gasoline were to be loaded into the plane late today.

Ten Truck Loads of Mexicans Are Sent Back Home

SAN BENITO, July 13.—Nearly 150 Mexicans were deported at Hidalgo, Texas, by border patrol officers. The Mexicans, traveling in 10 trucks, were apprehended as they crossed into Texas last night. They were headed for North and Central Texas to work in cotton fields.

This deportation brought the total number of deportations to Mexico in the past three weeks to 350. Border authorities said the Mexicans were smuggled into this country with the hope of obtaining high wages for picking cotton.

Appeal is Made To Court for Ballots In Vore Election

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Attempts to save the Pennsylvania Vore-Wilson senatorial contest votes for a senate recount by means of a court appeal was planned here today by senate officials and Senator King, Democrat, Utah, a member of the Reed election investigating committee.

Tugboat Blows Up Off Canal Locks One Man Killed

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—One man was killed and another seriously injured today when the gasoline tug boat, Virginia, blew up while approaching the Lake Washington canal locks.

There Ain't No Justice, Can't Cuss Neighbor

SAN ANTONIO, July 13.—When a San Antonio husband paid a fine for using abusive language on a neighbor, his wife believed he had purchased a license to abuse the neighbor. Walter Smith, investigator for the county attorney, investigated the case and filed a charge of abusive language against the wife. She was mystified. "But my husband has paid for the right to curse," the woman protested. "No, he paid for cursing this complainant but not for the right to curse," Smith explained. "Heck, there ain't no justice," the woman said.

THREE FACE INDICTMENT FOR MURDER

Doctor and Woman Said to Have Confessed Planning Husband's Murder.

FRANKLIN, La., July 13.—Mrs. Ida Bonner LeBoeu, Dr. Thomas E. Dreher, and James Beedle, are to be tried here July 25, for the murder of James LeBoeu, the woman's husband. The grand jury late yesterday returned a indictment against the trio. Mrs. LeBoeu and Dr. Dreher have admitted plotting LeBoeu's death. They named Beedle as the actual slayer.

December Fifth Set For Trial Rebecca Rogers

AUSTIN, July 13.—Rebecca Bradley Rogers, alleged bank bandit, reached Austin today from San Marcos, where her case of robbery of the First National bank of Buda was transferred yesterday to LaGrange and set for trial Dec. 5. She met her husband, Otis, here, and they will spend the day here and leave Thursday for San Angelo, where Mrs. Rogers is employed, and her husband will return to the tubercular sanitarium at Carlsbad.

Breckenridge Has 4.75 Inches of Rain Early Wednesday

Breckenridge was visited by a 4.75 inch rain early this morning, which was almost a cloudburst in proportions. Reports from there today say that the streets were flooded and water was standing in many of the stores down in the lower part of town. A fire visited the city during the night and destroyed a building which housed a drug store, cafe, grocery and cleaning and pressing parlor.

Three Meet Death Railroad Crossing Four Are Injured

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 13.—A crossing accident was fatal to 3 persons here today; three were killed and four others injured when the auto in which they were riding was struck by the "American" Pennsylvania railroad flyer from New York to St. Louis at the South Arlington avenue crossing. The dead: Mrs. Goldie Roth, 23; Junior Roth, 3, her son; Eugene Keeler, 6.

CURES WIFE OF INSANITY BY DROWNING IN BARREL

TOKYO.—Hirokichi Oku, a farmer of Kofu, aged 55, attempted a novel cure for his wife, who had suddenly gone insane. First binding his spouse with a rope, Oku put her in a barrel, then poured a painful after-painful of cold water over her head until she was submerged. Giving the cure two hours to work in, Oku dragged his wife out of the water. She was no longer insane but she had been thoroughly drowned. Oku is now in custody, with the police wavering whether to charge him with murder or place him in an asylum.

JOSKE BROTHERS STORE SOLD TO NEW YORK PEOPLE

SAN ANTONIO, July 13.—Joske Brothers store, one of the oldest and probably the largest department stores in San Antonio has been sold to New York interests, it was learned here today.

Modern Tut



Seldom photographed is King Fuad of Egypt, the 1927 successor of Tut-ankh-amen. A portly, be-fezed individual is he, as shown in this picture of his arrival in Paris en route for a state visit to London.

Six Fortunes of Billion Dollars Each Await You

Six fortunes of one billion dollars each are ready and waiting for somebody to take them, says Dr. Henry Smith Williams, president of the Science association. Dr. Williams is author of more than 50 scientific works and college text-books. None of the fields wherein these fortunes lie is impossible or even probable of access, Dr. Williams declares in his non-technical summation of approaching scientific achievements. The six fortunes lie in the following briefly stated accomplishments:

Conversion of hydrogen into helium, thus gaining heat and power that would throw coal and oil into the discard. Combining ordinary atoms, all of which are now known, and contained in a tumbler of water, into all kinds of synthetic foods. Harnessing the tides successfully through the development of other principles than those now partially successful.

Transmission of heat in one direction, probably through the discovery of the relation between electric currents and heat transmission, thus giving intense heat or absolute frigidity at will. Perfection of the present highly possible theories for the manufacture of gold from material such as mercury. This is already believed to be successful development of the study of separating and regrouping atoms. Reaching and putting to use the inexhaustible heat beneath the earth's crust, which for ages has manifested being accessible by volcanoes and hot springs.

Why have these opportunities been so long neglected? asked Dr. Williams, and answers that "Old Mother Necessity has not been at hand."

June Royalties Received, Amount Over \$100,000

AUSTIN, Texas, July 13.—Two checks totaling more than \$100,000 representing oil royalties for June from two oil companies operating on university of Texas land in Crane and Reagan counties, were received today by land commission J. T. Robinson.

All of the money was deposited to the credit of the university permanent fund which now totals \$6,279,679.

WELL AT IATAN MAKING FOUR HUNDRED BARRELS

COLORADO, Texas, July 13.—A 400 barrel a day oil flow, was brought in today by the California company, south of here at Iatan. Sand was reached at 2,540 feet.

CANYON—Wheat acreage in Randall county is three times greater than in 1926.

DELEGATES OPPOSED TO BIG NAVY

Would Leave Britain And U. S. To Fight Out Their Controversy

GENEVA, July 13.—Interest in the British-American controversy over cruisers was over-shadowed today by the possibility of Japan's withdrawal from the naval armaments conference, leaving the United States and Great Britain to arrive at a total cruiser tonnage as high as they pleased.

The Japanese delegates have indicated that they will under no circumstances sign any treaty providing for a higher cruiser tonnage than suggested in the original United States proposal. That was for 250,000 tons, but since then the American delegation as a compromise for the British figure of 600,000 has agreed to raise its own figure to 400,000 tons.

The Japanese argument is that when they accepted President Coolidge's invitation to the conference they did so with the belief that the conference would result in a decrease in naval armaments. Instead they now say Japan will be obliged to increase its building program if it agrees to a higher figure than 250,000 tons.

Bandit-Ridden Chinese Towns Organize Fight

PEKING.—Natives of the thickly populated province of Shantung have adopted the methods of the California Vigilantes to protect themselves against great bandit bands now terrorizing villages in many parts of Shantung.

The organization, known as the "Self Protection Corps," started in the northeastern part of the province where a bandit army recently sacked a village, killing many of the inhabitants after submitting them to the most horrible tortures.

Sectional organizations are built around the mystic figure "72," which signifies co-operative work on a large scale. Thus villages and hamlets, 72 in number, bind themselves by agreements made between their elders, to join in defense against the bandits in case any village is attacked. Villages are being strengthened and defense towers built. Arrangements have been made to call people into the walled villages from outlying hamlets in event a bandit army appears.

The young men in each village are arming themselves with iron-tipped bamboo spears, knives, scythes and other weapons and are sworn to fight bandits to the death.

An effort also has been made to propitiate the evil spirits which are supposed to incite bandit raids against the peaceful villagers. To this end villages are flying magic flags and hoisting sacred ornaments.

Shantung for years has been infested with bandit gangs despite sporadic efforts of the provincial authorities to overcome them. Thousands of farmers now are emigrating from the unfortunate province to Manchuria.

Make Nomination For Miss Ranger At C. Of C. Office

Just who the nominees for "Miss Ranger" are has not been divulged yet as these names are being kept secret until the nominations are all in.

A great deal of interest is being manifested in the choosing of a representative from Ranger to the opening of the Cisco dam, on July 22, and nominations of Ranger's beauties are sought.

The nominations will close Thursday night. In the meantime anyone wanting to nominate a Ranger girl or woman for the place of "Miss Ranger" can do so by writing the name of the nominee on a card or piece of paper and leaving it at the Ranger chamber of commerce.

Manager J. T. Hughes of the Lamb theatre is planning something novel in the way of a voting contest to be announced after the nominations are in.

DONNA—Central Power & Light Company extends power lines to Elsa, Hargill, Edcouch, Lavilla and La-Glauda.

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SOCIETY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

TONIGHT.
 Prayer meeting at the tabernacle on Pine and Marston streets.
 Prayer meeting at the First Baptist church at 8 o'clock.
 Prayer meeting at Central Baptist church at 8 o'clock.
THURSDAY.
 Lions club luncheon at the Glendon Hotel at 12:15 o'clock.

P. A. L. CLUB ARE GUESTS OF CLUB SPONSOR.
 Members of the P. A. L. club and several other guests were guests of the club sponsor, Mrs. Sarah Brunson, at her home on South Austin street. There were three tables at bridge and at the close of the game the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Cliff Moore, served refreshments of ice cream and angel food squares and punch.

Miss Pete Langlois was awarded the high score, a summer corsage and Miss Ella V. Fouts, low a hand painted handkerchief. Club members enjoying this delightful party were Misses Frances Mangum, Janie P. Rucker, Ella V. Fouts, Mittie Morris, Helen Brady and Hilda Andrew. Guests were Misses Pete Langlois, Tootsy Webb of Abilene and Meses. G. E. Ford, Stout and Cliff Moore.

LETTER FROM LAURA M'COY EXPRESSES APPRECIATION.
 A letter received today from Miss Laura McCoy is full of appreciation of Ranger and Ranger people. Miss McCoy says that her heart overflows when she thinks of Ranger. "What wonderful people you all are. I do not wonder that my company was so impressive."
 Miss McCoy's letter was written from McAllister but her address is No. 3000 Troost avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

BRONSONS BACK HOME FROM OVERLAND TRIP.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bronson and son, James Jr., have returned from an overland trip through eastern Oklahoma. They stopped in Muskogee and visited their former home at Fort Smith, Ark.

PERSONALS.
 Miss Tootsy Webb of Abilene is the guest of Miss Frances Mangum.
 Mrs. J. T. Killingsworth of Ranger underwent an operation yesterday at a sanitarium in Fort Worth and according to a wire received yesterday from Mr. Killingsworth, she stood the operation well and is doing nicely.

ALL CIRCLES OF W. M. U. CENTRAL BAPTIST MEET.
 All circles of the W. M. U. of the Central Baptist church met at the church on Monday afternoon and held a business session which was followed by a good program.
 Circle No. 3 served refreshments to the large number present.

AUXILIARY MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT.
 The auxiliary of the American Legion, Carl Barnes post No. 69, will meet Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the American Legion hall. All members are asked to be present as it is a most important meeting.

Banker, Teacher Talk Wednesday To Rotary Club
 W. W. Housewright, active vice president of the Citizens State Bank of Ranger, told the Ranger Rotary Club the history of banking at its regular weekly luncheon today, going back in his talk to the time before there was money, taking up the different phases of "legal tender" from that day until the present time, as his contribution to an Educational program, staged by the Rotary Club today.

R. F. Holloway, superintendent of the Ranger public schools, was present as a guest and his talk was on "Schools" which meant all schools in general and the Ranger High School and Ranger Junior College in particular. Mr. Holloway, just fresh from an inspectional meeting of educators at Austin, which was a Junior College conference, spoke most interestingly on the subject.
 One of Texas' oldest educators was present and he, Dr. Randolph Clark, recently made an honorary member of the Ranger Rotary Club, stated that when he got old he expected to retire but he wanted to be active in Ranger's educational affairs and to take a part in the things that were helpful in its community building.
 Several visitors from Eastland were present.

Eastland to Be Host to Society Ex-Mississippians
 The third annual meeting of the Mississippi society, composed of ex-Mississippians of Eastland, Stephens, Callahan, Comanche and Erath counties, will be held at the Eastland city park on July 27. Officers of the society are W. D. R. Owen, Eastland, president; J. E. Spencer, Cisco, vice president; and Mrs. Lillian Behene, secretary.
 Former Senator Joseph W. Bailey of Dallas is being invited to deliver an address as the feature of the program that is being arranged.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD AUG 12 AND 13
 Miss Beulah Speer, Eastland county school superintendent, has been notified by the state department of education that the notices sent out from that department some weeks ago setting the date for the state teachers' examination as Aug. 5 and 6, were erroneous and should have read Aug. 12 and 13 instead.

CORPUS CHRISTI — 1,000-foot pier planned for construction here.

FROM THE BIBLE.
 Fellowship: We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company.—Psalm 55:14.
 Prayer: Develop in us, Lord, the beautiful spirit of brotherhood.

LEAVE IT ALONE
 We are not always an advocate of the policy of "leave good enough alone," but in the case of the proposed constitutional amendment providing a change in the method of taxing in Texas, we believe it is a good maxim to adhere to. Especially so, in view of the fact that some other states have tried the same or similar methods as those proposed by the amendment and have found them utterly inadequate.

As we see it, the trouble is not with the method of raising funds for the support of the state government, but it is with the method of the expenditure of those funds after they have been raised and put at the disposal of the legislature.

The results of the proposed change in tax methods in the state might be very far reaching and serious. The same or a similar method of taxation has been in force in the state of California for some time and has proven very unsatisfactory, according to information coming from that state. When the method was proposed in that state it was advocated on the ground that county taxes would be reduced, but the exact opposite has been the result and state taxes have mounted to an almost unbearable point.

It would appear that the adoption of the proposed amendment would encourage extravagance in the state government. If the amendment is adopted the state can go out and in a sense levy taxes as it pleases and for whatever purpose it desires. It would have no restraint whatever placed on it which would no doubt tend to the extravagant demands for and expenditure of funds.

If the amendment should be adopted the state government would be placed in a more or less irresponsible attitude. If the state were amind to it could assume the attitude that a certain amount of money is needed, or a certain amount of money can be used in the administration of the government, then go out and levy taxes for the amount of funds.

What a contrast between that attitude and the one that is we might say forced upon the state under the present system, of we have so much money for the support of the government and then get to work and make that amount run the state.

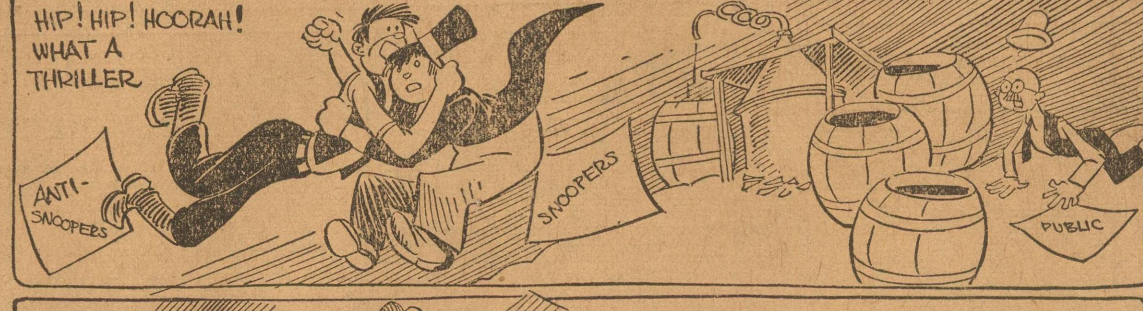
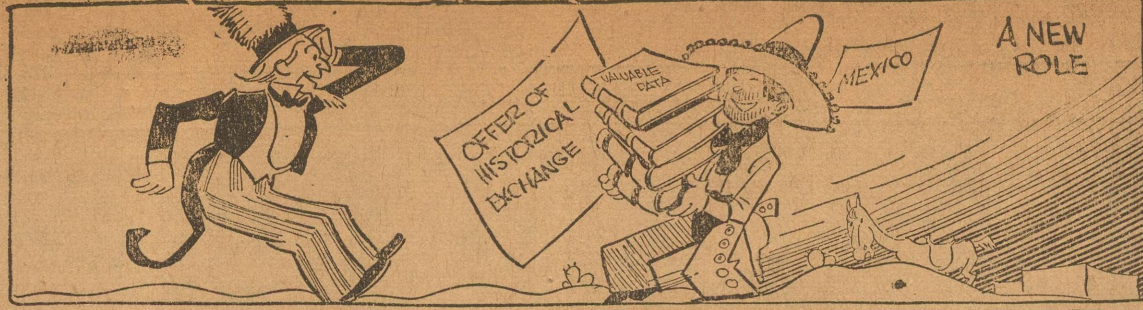
How long would a man's business last if he allowed the members of his family to draw at will upon his resources? The wise business man does not allowed it to be done. He limits the expenditures of his family and sees to it that they stay within the limits prescribed.

Then why should the people of Texas say to the state, "here are our resources, tax them at pleasure?"
 The present method of taxation is adequate and no change appears necessary.

TO U. S. NEXT SEASON
 By United Press.
 NEW YORK, July 13.—Paderewski has cabled from New Zealand that he will return to this country for a four months' tour next season. The tour will not begin until January, 1927, but the pianist will pass through the United States in August on his way from Australia to his chateau in Merzles, Switzerland.
 Paderewski was last here during 1925-26 when he played seventy-five recitals on a trans-continental tour. During the past year he has been touring through Australia, after an absence of 21 years. He is now giving a series of recitals in New Zealand.

Public Records
 Suits Filed in District Courts.
 P. S. Whitaker vs. A. E. Everly et al. In re liquidation Commercial State Bank of Cisco.

News Views



Bedford News

Special Correspondence.
BEDFORD, July 13.—Mrs. John Hibbert of Hanley who is visiting her sister Mrs. Lyman Evans has a little sun just recovering from typhoid fever.
 Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carlisle announce the arrival of their first baby, a boy, Thursday morning.
 Mr. Milhan's brother in law of Breckenridge visited his Sunday.
 Mrs. Ely of Cisco spent Sunday with Mrs. George White and her daughter, Mrs. Carl Daniel.
 Mrs. J. R. Carlisle has returned from a visit to relatives in Comanche.
 Miss Delza White and father of Abilene are visiting the Mart Dullins.

PUSHING A LAWN MOWER PROVES FATAL TO MAN
 By United Press.
SAN BENITO, July 13.—Antonio Garcia, 43, fell dead while pushing a lawn mower in the yard of his home here today. Heart failure was attributed as the cause.

FRANCE'S "TIGER" SHOWS SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT
 By United Press.
PARIS, July 13.—Continued improvement in the condition of Georges Clemenceau was reported today. Although still enfeebled, his appetite has improved and he is sleeping more regularly.

Anna Q. Nilsson has left First National, the result of a quarrel over roles. For one thing, Miss Nilsson didn't want to play opposite "Babe" Ruth in "Babe Comes Home." Now she is playing the lead in a Universal film, "Honor and the Woman."

Warner Baxter declines to do any more Westerns and leaves Famous Players.

PAINTING DOME OF U. S. CAPITOL TAKES THOUSAND GALLONS

One thousand gallons of special paint were required recently, to cover the dome of the United States capitol with a protective coat. The liquid was prepared by a formula approved by the bureau of standards and is expected to withstand several years of exposure. More than a week was required to scrape off the old paint.

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Hogg Revival In Comanche Draws Large Crowds

Rev. Will Hogg, who last year held a most successful revival in Ranger, is holding a revival in Comanche, according to word from that city today. Every church in the county has been organized and the meeting is really a county-wide affair.
 The tabernacle has been enlarged three times in order to accommodate the large crowds that attend the services.
 The Hogg party will go from Comanche to Lubbock for a town and county-wide campaign.

A boar, for which the owner paid \$3,000 cash will be shown at the swine exhibit at the state fair of Texas in October. It is not for sale, it is said.

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What Is Hapening At Hankow

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth of Gould's Hankow series. By RANDALL GOULD (United Press Staff Correspondent) HANKOW.—Nationalist Government authorities are working on plans designed to bring about far-reaching extensions and improvements in China's systems of communications, Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Minister of Communications in the Nationalist Government, told the United Press in an interview here.

These plans, Sun frankly admitted, are necessarily things of the future, rather than of the present. Wars are in progress, revenue is relatively scanty and now largely diverted to military affairs, and while the Yunnan Nationalist Government fights for its existence there can be no widespread communications improvements.

"Unification of the country must come first," explained Sun. "Once that is accomplished, we purpose to put through a comprehensive scheme of administrative changes making for an efficiency which will greatly increase government revenues without burdening the people."

"National revenues can be made three times the present amounts within a year of the time we undertake this, we believe. This will be due solely to more efficient administration. We have already shown that it can be done. In Kwangtung province the yearly revenues used to be thirty-five million Mexican dollars; we increased this to around \$100,000,000 by efficient and honest governmental methods and without increasing the burdens on the people."

The land tax is at present based on the old Manchu figures compiled 200 years ago, Sun continued. Now this tax is wholly out of date, for it took into account land yields and market prices of these yields which are today meaningless. Some features are laughable, he declared. Families are taxed for land they sold perhaps fifty years ago, simply because their names still appear on the tax books as owners; now owners escape without tax because they are not listed as owners.

Sun explained something of the new policy on land distribution in amplification of the tax statement. In Hunan province, ten million peasants have been organized into peasants' unions as a first step toward improving both their condition and that of the government. First the landless peasants, a virtual serf class, came into the unions; next came those who were barely self-sufficient and finally the so-called "rich peasants" who are able to make a small yearly profit.

Land taxes have in the past been collected from a landlord class who were united against alterations in rate or practice. The landlords in turn collected as high as eighty per cent of the yearly yield as rental, making it necessary for their tenants to chop wood and engage in similar enterprises to subsist. Now the maximum rent has been set by law at forty per cent of the yield, and plans are on foot to eliminate the large landholders altogether, obtaining the land for the government and parceling it out to the peasants who would then pay taxes direct to the government.

Apparently the plan for taking over the land is not thoroughly prepared. There may be expropriation on a scheme of gradual payment to the landlord from the proceeds of future taxes. Figures so far compiled indicate that by direct collection of taxes from the land workers, around Mex \$50,000,000 (about U. S. \$25,000,000) can be obtained in Hunan instead of the present \$300,000, and that the government should net Mex \$30,000,000 after paying the share of the landlords.

Widespread work must be done in a number of directions, Sun continued. Village Government must be reorganized, or rather organized for the first time to replace the present condition of virtual anarchy. But with all this work under way, the complete national revenues should total more than a billion Mex. dollars a year in place of the present \$400,000,000 and communications systems will be among the first beneficiaries.

Work contemplated includes, according to Sun, railway building, port development, highways, city building and renovation of old canals and construction of new ones as well as dike building and other river conservancy work.

One of the biggest jobs which will receive priority is completion of the Hankow Canton railway. Sun said. This is a difficult piece of work which will require three or four years, cost about Mex. \$30,000,000 (about U. S. \$15,000,000) and entail building of some sixty tunnels but it will open a rich trade highway.

BREAKS LAZINESS RECORD. Joe Sloan, the laziest man in 11 counties, doesn't like cider but drinks it because he's too lazy to pump water.—Farm and Fireside.

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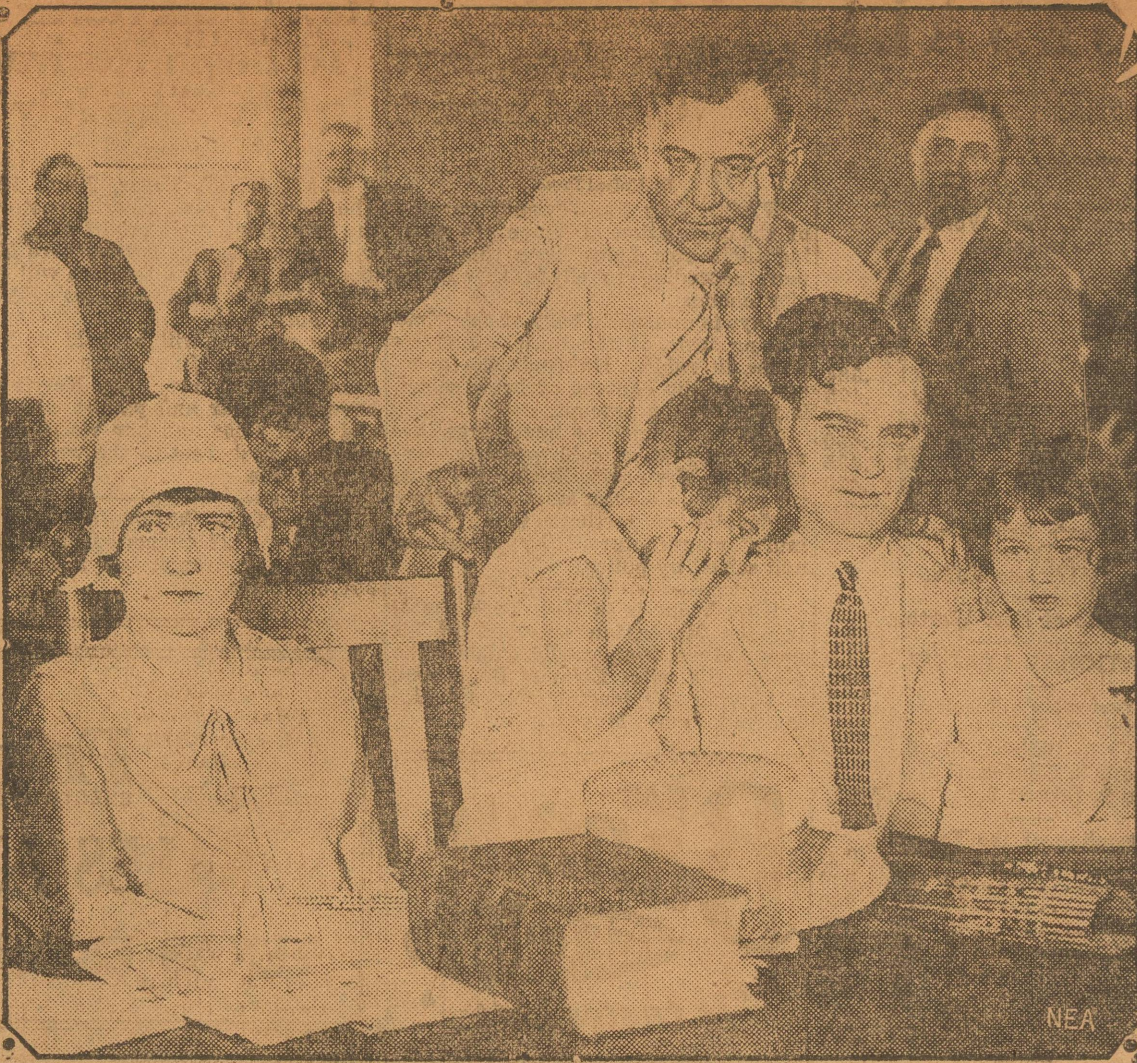
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First Picture of Illinois Gang Leader on Trial



This picture of Charles Birger and his family was taken at Benton, Ill., at the beginning of his trial for the murder of Mayor Joe Adams of West City. The shooting of Adams was one of a score of murders during the vicious gang warfare of the last two years in southern Illinois. Mrs. Birger is shown at the left, while Birger sits between his two daughters, Minnie on the left and Charline, right. Behind him is Robert E. Smith, his attorney. This is the first newspaper picture ever taken of Birger.

General Rain Reported Over Most of County

Rain, which from reports, appears to have been general over Eastland and adjoining counties fell late Tuesday afternoon and night. Carbon, Gorman, Pioneer, Rising Star, Cisco, Pleasant Grove, and Ranger, report good rains but not as much as was needed as crops in all sections were beginning to show signs of the need of moisture.

The rain will be beneficial to crops such as corn and grain sorghums, much of which are just now maturing. The yield of corn in the county is the best this year that it has been in many years. Grain sorghums are also showing for a splendid crop. Cotton is being damaged by weevils and other insects which are going to cut the yield short.

Fruit in the county is rather light, while garden truck and melons are only fairly good. Peanuts, of which a large acreage is planned, are doing well and promise a splendid yield.

Make Plans For Eastland Revival Meeting July 31

Rev. Guy W. Green, evangelist, who is to begin a revival meeting in Eastland on July 31 was in Eastland Monday and met with a committee from the Christian, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of the city for the purpose of discussing plans for the coming revival.

Rev. Mr. Green has just closed a meeting at Baird and was accompanied to Eastland by the pastor of the Presbyterian church of that city. He now goes to Childress where he will conduct a meeting.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the meeting to be held in Eastland is very enthusiastic over the prospects for a successful revival.

EASTLAND UNION SERVICES BEING WELL ATTENDED

Interest in the co-operative services being held each Sunday evening on the high school campus at Eastland, is growing with each successive meeting. At the last meeting a fairly good sized audience listened to Rev. F. E. Singleton, pastor of the First Methodist church, in a thoughtful message on "Spiritual Sleep" in the churches.

The choir, while serving faithfully and effectively, needs recruits. Those who sing are asked to notify Mr. B. M. Collie who will find a place for them in these services.

The public is requested to keep a watch for the announcements on the revival meeting, which is to begin July 31.

Two Million People Who Had Pimples Swear By It

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SEVERE TROPICAL STORMS FORECAST FOR THIS FALL

Long Distance Weather Forecaster Who Predicted Spring Floods Now Warns of Terrible Tropical Disturbances

(Editor's Note—This is the first of two stories on past and future weather conditions in parts of the northern half of the Western Hemisphere, furnished exclusively for the United Press by Herbert Janvrin Brown, long distance weather forecaster, who accurately predicted this year's Mississippi floods before the House Committee on Agriculture in 1923, and who subsequently prophesied correctly many recent tornadoes and storms in the United States.)

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Long distance weather forecasting is past the stage of experiment and is now an actuality, according to Herbert Janvrin Brown, noted weather forecaster.

Not only can rain, snow and hail storms be forecast far in advance of their occurrence, but the location and approximate time of hurricanes, tornadoes and cyclones can be given, Brown says.

On January 15 this year, Brown issued a special forecast warning against cold waves which swept across the country a month later, and for the unusually heavy rains which devastated crops and caused flood conditions in sections of Pacific coast and southwestern states.

His warning said: "The weather in the United States, Canada and northwestern Mexico for February will continue to present markedly adverse features, which have so far been so remarkably sustained that the winter of 1926-27 would be over a large extent of North America, one of the severest ever recorded.

"Cold waves of a serious order are forecast for February 15 to 20; February 21 to 25 and February 27 to March 3.

"Heavy rains will extend the whole length of the Pacific coast, but will not be marked in West Mexico. The American southwest will receive above normal precipitation."

Accurate almost to the day, February 14 saw the beginning of the first cold wave when Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada, recorded 38 degrees below zero. By February 17 the storm was sweeping through the northwest portions of the United States, bringing exceptionally low temperatures.

February 18 saw 30 degrees below the freezing point, along the Rio Grande river in Texas, and the same day 28 degrees at Taylor, Texas.

Leaving a path of destruction in its wake, the storm crept across the nation, causing damage variously estimated at between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000.

How his forecast for "heavy rains" along the Pacific coast have served to earn him the title of "world champion long distance weather forecaster," is shown by the subsequent precipitation in sections included in his remarkable prediction.

On February 14, 1-69 inches of rain fell at Los Angeles; San Diego was deluged under a fall of 1.84 in.; Sacramento got 1.6 inches; Red Bluff 1.40 inches; San Francisco, 1.02 inches; and Flagstaff, Ariz., in the midst of one of the most arid sections of the United States, had the heaviest rainfall in years, 1.98 inches.

July, beginning of the West Indian hurricane period may bring some of the worst hurricanes on record, although they may not strike land as did the Florida hurricane of last September, Brown predicts.

Following a year filled with weather calamities, many of which Brown prophesied months before they occurred, he says now the peculiar fluctuations of solar radiation, caused by the sun reaching the maximum sun spot period, will bring on some of the worst hurricanes in history.

Eastland Plans Enlarged Water Supply at Once

City Manager J. H. Cheatham of Eastland stated this morning that within the very near future the city would install an additional electrically driven pump of 1500 gallons per minute capacity at Lake Eastland so as to be able to improve the condition of the water being used for drinking purposes.

"This pump, which will be installed on the flow line from the lake to the settling basins, will more than double the present capacity for filling the basins, which will give much greater time for the water to settle after it has been jumped into the basins and therefore will give clearer and better water for drinking purposes," Mr. Cheatham said.

Dallas parties, who have had much experience with waterworks, and who were in Eastland Tuesday, complimented Eastland very highly on the waterworks system.

Oil Production In Brown County Area Shows Increase

Production in the Brown county area of the central West Texas field was boosted more than 250 barrels daily by the bringing in on July 12 of three wells by the Texas company as follows:

- W. S. Johnson No. 1, Johnson survey, 15 barrels.
- L. V. Edington No. 6, Milliken survey, 142 barrels.
- John Byler, No. 2, T. & N. O. rail road company survey, 100 barrels.

The Texas company's Roy Hickman No. 7, Benson survey in Brown county has 400 feet of oil in the hole at a depth of 1197 feet.

C. E. Starr's C. E. Starr No. 1, Calahan county, has a showing of oil at 1415 feet.

SOUTHERN PEACH CROP FACES OVER PRODUCTION

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The southern peach industry faces a period of over production because of heavy plantings of peach orchards during the last few years, Secretary of Agriculture Jardine warns.

Growers in southern states are faced with the necessity of letting many trees go out of bearing or meet intense competition in overcrowded markets, he said.

"The Agriculture Department recommends improved cultural practices and strict grading to improve the condition. Such action, accompanied by the removal of trees which constantly produce low yields or inferior varieties would be a benefit both to individual growers and to the industry as a whole," he continued.

Due to young plantings it was estimated that the number of bearing peach trees in competing southern states would increase at least 10 per cent in the next two years.

RANGER SCOUT MASTERS MEET AT COUNTRY CLUB

Ranger scoutmasters and assistant scoutmasters will meet Thursday night at the country club for dinner. They will arrive at the club house at 7:30 and prepare their own dinner. While they have not yet announced their menu they are indicating that it will be an appetizing one and "cooked in the open."

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Many Farmers Are At Medina Ranch For Short Course

By United Press. SAN ANTONIO, July 13.—More than 3,000 farmers and their families of South Texas were expected to register for the fifth annual short course and encampment at the Medina-Herford ranch, 18 miles southwest of San Antonio, today.

The short course will close Friday night. It will be conducted by the Texas A. & M. college and the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce. Specialists on all farm subjects from the college will lecture during the course.

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Gripings by Gus

Quality is always preferable to quantity therefore this column grows shorter as the days go by.

Some folks are smarter than others. Some try to make an honest living. Others try to live honestly on what they make.

FIND NEW BIRTHPLACE FOR SPANISH RULER

MADRID.—Another historical mistake has just been reported. It seems that King Phillip the Second of Spain, whose fourth centenary is being celebrated this year, and who had been known heretofore as born on May 22, 1527, in Valladolid, saw the light first in Villoruel, a village near Panaranda de Bracamonte, province of Salamanca, distant fifty miles from Valladolid.

The discovery has been made by the Villoruela parish priest while looking back through old registers on one of which he copied the relation of the King's birth.

TIDE FLOATS GIANT PIPE INTO PLACE IN CHANNEL

An interesting engineering feat was accomplished recently when a stretch of eight-inch gas pipe, 600 feet long, was lowered as a single unit into the eastern end of the estuary that separates Alameda, Calif., from Oakland, says Popular Mechanics magazine. The pipe, welded into one length, was constructed parallel to the shore and then floated out on pontoons. Ropes were passed underneath the pontoons to support the pipe, and while one end was held fast to the Alameda side, the other was allowed to drift with the incoming tide, which swung it into place.

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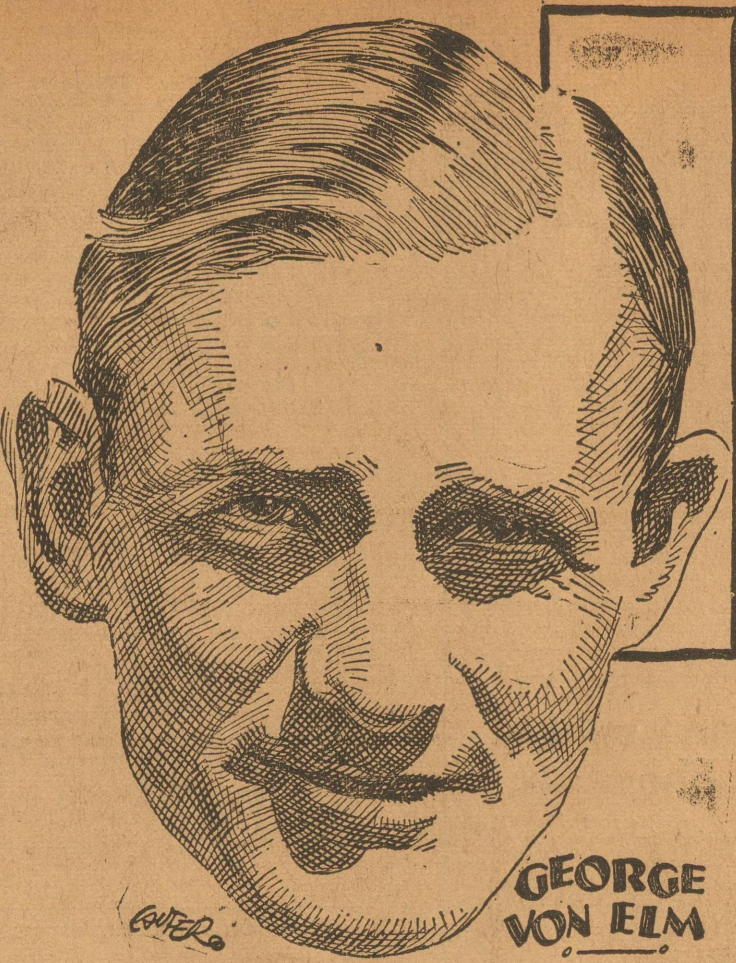
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George Von Elm is likely to keep his national amateur golf crown because of the fact that the links of Minnikahda, Minneapolis, are made to order for his style of play. Von Elm's cocky spirit is another fact that will aid him in retaining his title. The tournament is scheduled for late August.

LIFE OF JACK SHARKEY

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)
NEW YORK, July 13.—Jack Sharkey, one of the new vagues of the ring, who is to meet Jack Dempsey in the Yankee Stadium on July 21, was born in Binghamton, N. Y., on Oct. 6, 1902 of Lithuanian-American parentage.

His family name was Josef Paul Cukoschay and how he came by the ring name of Jack Sharkey is an interesting note. When he became a professional boxer his manager told him that name would never do and asked him to pick one that he could be printed and pronounced easily.

Other fighters, many of them, had done it, so he consented. He picked Jack as his first name, after Jack Dempsey, his idol at the time, and he selected Sharkey after Tom Sharkey, the old Navy heavyweight. The youngster was just out of the Navy then and he wanted a Navy name.

He was asked recently if he might not be jinxed by such old admiration when he meets Dempsey for a chance to win the championship.

"Dempsey was a great fighter when I took his name," he replied with a glare. Sharkey looks you in the eye as if he might take a punch at your jaw but behind the glare, if you can stand it, there seems to be a smile that is ready to crack out but is being restrained.

Sharkey is not ashamed of his name or his ancestry but he is very sensitive about the frequency with which he is referred to as a foreigner and a Lithuanian. He threatened Joe Humphries, the veteran announcer, because of it.

When Humphries was introducing Sharkey and Maloney as the principals in the recent fight that made Sharkey, he made the mistake of terming Sharkey "the great Lithuanian heavyweight." Sharkey boiled and was ready to jump out of the chair.

After the fight he told the announcer in no mild terms:

"Don't you ever call me that again. I'm just as much American as you are. I was born in this country and I served in the Navy and I don't know that you can say the same thing. Don't you ever say that again."

Some time later he told the same thing to a newspaper man who attended the testimonial dinner given to Tex Rickard.

"Hello, Jose," the newspaperman said.

"Another wise crack and I'll give you a punch," he said and he meant it.

Unlike other prominent fighters, Sharkey stresses the point, in speaking of his early days, that he was not a street fighter or the leader of the neighborhood gang.

"I never had a glove on my hand and never had any fights until I went into the Navy," he said. "I had to put on the gloves in the Navy because it was a part of the training and I wasn't any better than any green-horn with them."

Although it may draw a punch on the jaw, an interesting story about his first fight in the service is told.

At the time he was cultivating the test of admitting that he is good and darn good. Those who are familiar with the Navy life know that on ship-board there are cubs and marines and that the best of feeling does not exist between them. There is also a nice little song sung that any marine can beat any gub in the world and that any gub can beat any marine in the world.

"He wasn't much, I can't even remember his name," Sharkey said when recounting the incident.

The confidence that is so strong a part of his makeup now and the gambling instinct to attempt anything were probably results of his training in the service because he fought his way to the service championship and was offered a place on the American Olympic team. He didn't make the team, not through any lack of ability but because of some words he had with an officer on the ship. He was not disciplined because his time was up and he didn't like the idea of hanging around extra time to make the team.

From his early days he had a wandering instinct that caused him to leave home several times and finally enlist in the Navy but he never fol-

lowed the nomadic paths that Dempsey did in his youth.

His early experiences in Binghamton will be recounted briefly tomorrow.

NEW YORK, July 14—Whatever may be said of his tendency to admit that he can lick anyone, Jack Sharkey is no roughneck and he is not a dumb-bell. Much like Jack Dempsey, whom he is to meet in the Yankee Stadium on July 21, he had no college education, but he has picked up a lot of practical knowledge and he doesn't use "dees and dems" in his conversation.

He had to leave the parochial school in the eighth grade and went to work when he was fourteen in the Edicott-Johnson shoe factory hooking soles to uppers. He worked there two years and then went to Bridgeport, Conn., where he threw gravel into a concrete mixer. He went back home shortly after and went to work shovelling coal.

He wanted to enlist during the war but his parents objected on account of his age and he left the paternal rook again and came to New York where he went to work as a day laborer. He then got a job in the Jersey City shipyards and went back home in 1919 to the shoe factory.

The following year he left home again and came to New York. He didn't have much luck finding a job and when his funds were gone he followed a gob to the Brooklyn Navy Yard and enlisted.

He had to do a hitch of one year on the training ship at Newport before he could go to sea and it was there he had his experience as a singer about the marines and his first fight.

When the time came to go to sea he was assigned to the North Carolina, which was taking the Annapolis midshipmen on their training cruise. During the cruise he had about fifty bouts with boxers on the crew and he finally won the Atlantic Fleet championship on Columbus Day 1922. He recalls that it was on Columbus Day four years later that he made his great fight against Harry Wills.

That was a fight that always will be talked about for it exploded the fable of the black menace. Wills had been paraded for years as the greatest heavy-weight in the ring and no one would fight him until Sharkey came along.

Previous to this time Sharkey was rated little more than a good Boston heavyweight who did most of his fighting around home but when he challenged Wills, the boys started looking up his record.

The record wasn't good enough looking to warrant his bravado and it was recalled that in one fight in New York against Sailor Eddie Huffman his work was questioned and he was called before the commission and told there was a suspicion that he had held up his opponent.

"I beat him, didn't I? Have you got a rule that makes a fighter knock out his man?—I thought they called it boxing in New York."

It was at that time that William Muldoon, the veteran commissioner, looked him over and made the rash prediction that he would be the champion some day. Muldoon drove the Dempsey-Timney fight out of New York by sticking stubbornly to the contention that Sharkey was the man to fight Dempsey and it was Muldoon who stuck by Sharkey when everyone was yelling that it would be murder and that Wills would feast on another set up that might ruin the game.

When Sharkey came into the ring he glared right across at Wills. When they were called together for instruc-

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Yesterday's Results.
Wichita Falls 13, Dallas 3.
San Antonio 4-6, Houston 5-4.
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Waco 7, Beaumont 3.

Standing of the Teams.		
Club	W.	L.
Wichita Falls	54	32
Houston	48	41
Waco	47	41
San Antonio	45	46
Dallas	44	46
Shreveport	39	46
Fort Worth	37	48
Beaumont	37	51

Today's Schedule.
Beaumont at Dallas.
Houston at Wichita Falls.
Waco at Shreveport.
San Antonio at Fort Worth.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Yesterday's Results.
Pittsburgh 2, Brooklyn 1.
St. Louis 9, Philadelphia 6.
New York 3, Cincinnati 2.
Chicago 9, Boston 2.

Standing of the Teams.		
Club	W.	L.
Chicago	49	28
Pittsburgh	46	27
St. Louis	45	33
New York	43	38
Brooklyn	37	42
Philadelphia	31	46
Boston	29	44
Cincinnati	28	50

Today's Schedule.
St. Louis at Philadelphia.
Cincinnati at New York.
Pittsburgh at Brooklyn.
Chicago at Boston.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Yesterday's Results.
Chicago 8, Philadelphia 5.
St. Louis 6, Boston 5.
New York 7, Cleveland 0.
Washington 9, Detroit 6.

Standing of the Teams.		
Club	W.	L.
New York	58	24
Washington	47	32
Chicago	46	37
Detroit	42	37
Philadelphia	43	38
Cleveland	34	47
St. Louis	32	46
Boston	19	60

Today's Schedule.
Boston at St. Louis.
New York at Cleveland.
Washington at Detroit.
Philadelphia at Chicago.

tions Sharkey looked over, sneered and a glare that forced the negro's eyes to the floor.

A microphone was in the corner and Sharkey was asked to say something to the radio listeners.

"I'll knock him out sure as hell," he yelled peering directly at Wills. He didn't knock him out but he gave Wills the worst beating he ever had taken and forced him to run out on a foul.

Sharkey wept like a child when the referee refused to let them continue. But he was forced to win on a foul.

After winning the Atlantic Fleet championship, Sharkey was matched against Biff Crowley, Pacific Fleet champion. Crowley was a 220-pounder who boasted he had gone six rounds with Dempsey in a sparring match.

They fought seven rounds and the referee ordered an extra round after which Sharkey's hand was raised.

When the fleet returned to Boston Sharkey's time was up and he asked for his discharge. He was asked if he wouldn't remain in the service awhile and try out with the Navy candidates for the Olympic team.

He said he needed money badly and couldn't afford to waste so much time and he decided to give up his chances for the Olympic team and pick up a little money fighting.

Three months after his discharge he had his first real professional bout and beat Eddie Record.

His real start will be related in the next chapter.

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Much Home Brew Made In Waco, Says City's Chemist

By United Press.
WACO, July 13.—Twenty percent of the population of Waco are making their own home brew this summer, according to Clyde C. Hays, city chemist.

Hays is unusually busy at this time making tests of the brew seized by police in raids. He finds the average alcoholic content of brew seized is four to five percent.

The "epidemic" of home brew usually ends when cold weather approaches, Hays said. During the winter months, he said, most of his time is devoted to testing the "white mule" manufactured by amateurs and seized by police.

King Vidor is in New York shooting the Manhattan exteriors of his new picture, temporarily called "The Mob." His wife, Eleanor Boardman, is playing the leading role opposite his find, James Murray.

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Rev. Frank Norris To Begin Revival In Glen Rose July 18

GLEN ROSE, Texas, July 13.—The Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist church of Ft. Worth will begin a week's revival here Monday, July 18th. The services will continue through the week, closing Monday, July 25th.

The services will be held under a big tabernacle just north of the court house square. Dr. Norris will have his singer and pianist with him and Glen Rose and her visitors may expect a real treat in the way of entertainment.

HOUSTON.—Cotton acreage of Texas for 1927 estimated at 16,131,192 with approximate yield of 4,990,419 bales.

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New Hope

Special Correspondence.
 NEW HOPE, July 13.—Matt Tomson, who has been very ill, passed away Sunday morning about 10 o'clock. Uncle Matt, as he is favorably known, has been a resident of this community for a long time and we join in the sorrow with his many friends and relatives, wishing them God's blessings. He was laid to rest in the Gorman cemetery Monday afternoon.

The singing at New Hope Sunday was a thorough success. The singing was fine as was the dinner. Numerous baskets of food were there and no one went away hungry.

New Hope and Flatwoods played baseball Saturday afternoon. Flatwoods won.

Grandpa Carter of Mangum attended church here Sunday night. M. B. Nix and family of near Pioner visited W. J. Asher's Friday.

Lee Carter and family visited in this community Sunday night.

The Christian meeting to be conducted by Bro. Gist will start Saturday night.

Eddie Cantor apparently is leaving the screen, after making three comedies for Famous. He has just signed a five-year contract with Flo Ziegfeld, Jr., the stage producer who glorifies the American girl. This means that Cantor will devote his entire time to the footlights.

LODGE NOTICES

Stated meeting Ranger Lodge No. 738, A. F. & A. M., Thursday, July 14, 8 p. m. Examinations in all degrees. Visitors welcome. R. H. West, W. M.; F. E. Langston, Sec.

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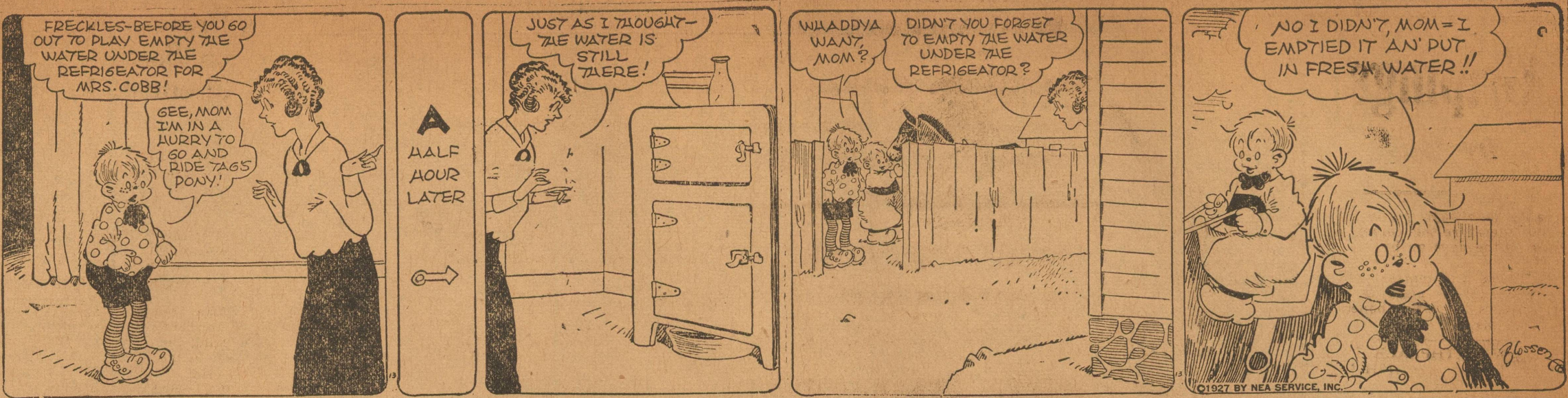
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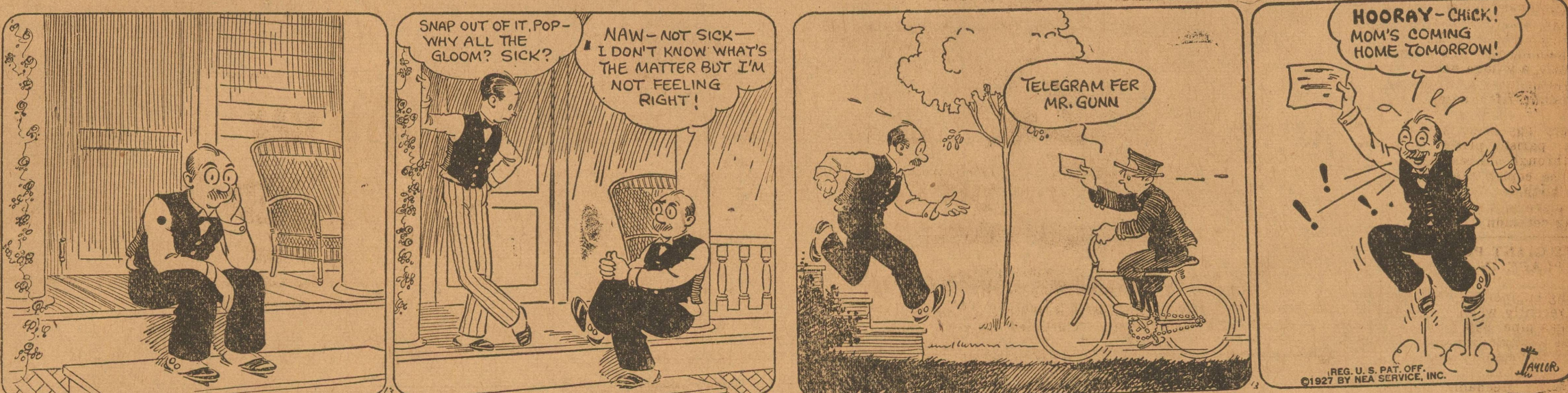
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Jungle Breath

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THIS HAS HAPPENED
 Lincoln Nunnally, elderly American chemist, is summoned to the little jungle-bordered town of Porto Verde, in west central Brazil, by his young friend, Vilak, who is concerned for the safety of his beautiful cousin, Elise Marberry, owner of a coffee plantation and other property near Porto Verde.

Several mysterious deaths have occurred, including that of Tony Barbeta, one of Elise's foremen, and the girl herself has received warnings to get out of the country.

Vilak, who poses at times as a barber and at others as Attorney Davis, believes Gaylord Prentiss, a reticent and forbidding man, known to be an enemy of Elise, may be involved some way in the deaths. Accordingly, he and Nunnally set out for Prentiss' house, which is guarded by barbed wire fences and a vicious dog. Elise insists on joining them. Prentiss sets the dog on them and Vilak saves his companions' lives by chloroforming it into unconsciousness.

The next day Vilak is hastily summoned to Elise's fazenda, where she tells him her two-year old nephew, an orphan, has been kidnapped. She suspects Prentiss.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY
 CHAPTER XIV

They began a steep ascent up a slope where the sides of the road were covered with red volcanic rock. The old man leaned over to Vilak. "I was glad—glad to hear you say it was Prentiss—yes, Prentiss," he whispered. "Er—glad. After the things I've heard here I was afraid it was something else—er—head hunters."

He thought he had spoken softly, but Elise, whose senses were acute to the breaking point, nevertheless heard. "It isn't the head hunters," she answered drearily. "It can't be. There's only one tribe in all this region, and the chief of it is my friend. Last year he swore blood brotherhood with me and I gave him a good horse for catching some of my cattle that had run away. He wouldn't do this. He wouldn't."

They reached the top of a hill, from which they could look down and see the valley in which Porto Verde lay spread out before them, the yellow rising river, the myriad tiny lakes above it, and everywhere else the green, black, inescapable jungle.

Directly in front of some flat rocks at the side of the road which afforded a natural resting place, the prints were confused for a moment, many and close together. "They may have dismounted here to smoke," Vilak said and leaped off his horse. "Always a good place to look for clues. Men are off their guard when they're resting."

He glanced about quickly. In a cleft of rock a glint as gold caught his eye. He thrust in his long fingers and pulled out a small brass button of the embossed type seen in the United States only on the coat sleeves of small boys, but in many countries on peasant trousers and jackets.

"That's odd," Vilak remarked. "That's a button off the velvet jacket of Detto Cicerone, the chap with the missing teeth. I know that design of the acorn. The jackets a rag, but the few remaining buttons on it are Detto's pride. There aren't any others like them in the town."

Elise's eyes brightened a little. "If it is Detto I'll be happy. He'll have taken Tinky just to get some money from me and what's money if I can get Tinky back?"

They rode on again. The highway narrowed to pass between two low cliffs of black rock, evidently part of the same volcanic strata which showed wherever a stone lifted itself from the tangled vegetation all about.

"Looks as if they're heading to Furnas Caves," Vilak said as the trail left the main highway and took a smaller road to the right. They turned into it and after half an hour stopped at a cross roads before a hole in some high rocks, almost sealed by bushes and interlaced vines.

"Logical place for them to come,"

Vilak declared as he surveyed the gloomy entrance. "The crooks and smugglers in the neighborhood use it at one time or another. But apparently they haven't." He looked at the prints in the road farther ahead. "Hello!" he exclaimed. "Something's happened here. Here are the prints of four more horses coming down that side road and now our two horses go on ahead. Much faster. At a good gallop, I should say. I can tell that by the changed distance between prints, and the deeper impression of the forepart of the hoof. And the prints of these other horses seem to follow all along now."

The road dropped again and was bordered on both sides by dense swamp grass. Gray ant hills which the white tarmite ants, the scavengers of the jungle had piled up until they were high as a man's head showed here and there against the green background like the fantastic dwellings of gnomes of some Eastern fairy tale. A swarm of tiny gnats swept down upon them, crawling in their eyes, their ears, their noses. The horses, harassed as much as their riders, kicked, stamped and whistled their air frantically.

The old man coughed as one of the minute insects reached his throat. "Er—terrible little creatures—er—terrible," he murmured. "Er—exasperating. I hope we will soon be away from here. We are turning, aren't we? I thought I could tell by the sun."

Vilak slapped vigorously at a particularly vicious knot which had settled upon his ear. "Yes, you're right. It's rather queer. The road we've been taking for the last few minutes takes us almost directly back to Prentiss' place and Porto Verde. We are making almost a complete circle. If I remember this road rightly, it ought to come out near the railroad tracks where the bridge crosses the river."

A rise to the top of a low hill gave them a respite from the winged attackers. Two crudely made crosses, with two wreaths of florid artificial flowers at their base, marked the graves of two Porto Verdeans who had been killed by the forest Indians. Another hill, another descent and they had come to the bridge over the swelling river, only a mile from the entrance of Elise's fazenda from which they had started. Here, the number of travelers coming from the various crossroads had somewhat obscured the trail. Vilak jumped from his horse to study it, and walked a few hundred feet up the road in the direction of the camp of the railroad workers.

"One of our two men halted here very suddenly," he said to the others who had ridden up behind him. "There are marks where the horse slid when he was pulled up tightly. He dismounted here, too, and went into that clump of bushes. There are the prints of his feet again. The same prints that were on the ground at the fazenda. The bushes would indicate that he put something down here. Now he's back into his saddle and the two of them are away again as fast as they can ride, off through the woods in the direction of Prentiss' place. The prints of the four horses stop at the crossroads and go on to Porto Verde. Now what does that mean?"

The Mongolian slant of his eyes accentuated. He took out a pellet of

betel and slowly put it on his tongue. "Looks as if there is a second trail of a man on foot, wearing heavy shoes, leading from here to the railroad camp."

He was still absorbed, studying the soil, when an Indian came forward whom the old man recognized as the foreman of the railroad gang. He was an Indian who once might have come of a stalwart aborigine stock, but which by promiscuous racial admixture had been degraded until almost all the original characteristics had vanished. His body was stunted, his lips thick and ugly, his chin blunt, his brilliant eyes shifting and uneasy. But the most prominent feature of his face was a great flat and pimply nose, so large that it seemed almost a deformity.

He grunted a few words in a language which the chemist did not understand, though he had no difficulty in comprehending the signs which accompanied them as a request to come to the railroad camp. Vilak nodded acquiescence. They followed him swiftly.

As they stepped through the brush into the open where they had an unobstructed view of the camp, Elise, who had been riding in a sort of daze gave a cry of joy and darted forward. On a blanket which had been carefully stretched on the ground was sitting a child of perhaps two years of age. It was dressed in a somewhat muddied white frock which contrasted sharply with its soft olive skin and black hair; its tiny mouth was only revealed at instant's behind the orange it was busily sucking. At the sight of Elise it gurgled with joy and waved a pudgy hand.

She caught it up and, radiant, ecstatic, smothered it with kisses. She gazed at it rapturously. "I'll never let you out of my sight again," she murmured. "Never, never, never."

The child gurgled a moment longer, then, as if trying to show that he had manifested sufficient emotion, dignifiedly returned to the chewing of the orange.

CHAPTER XV

Vilak stood silently looking on, half amazed, half thoughtfully. Elise turned to him, still holding the baby. "You're a dear," she murmured. "I thought it before, but I didn't know it before today. I take back everything that I said about you. I was a pig. And when I cried and completely lost control of myself you said nothing, made none of the caustic, sarcastic remarks that you might have made—and found him. It's a long time since I broke down the way I did this afternoon. But Tinky has become a part of me somehow." She leaned over and kissed Vilak impulsively.

"Here, here," he said sheepishly, taking out his cigaret case. "You certainly are upset. Have one of my strong cigarets and quiet your nerves." He lit one. "I'd certainly like to know how Tinky got here. I have a theory, but our friend the civil engineer, who is coming up now, looks as if he might tell us a few facts." He turned to greet the newcomer, who came forward, his dark, pointed face gal-w with pleasure.

"Good day, senhorita, amigos," he murmured, shaking hands cordially with the two men and bowing to the girl. "I see you the baby have once more in your arms. I am happy. Most

happy."

"It is the senhorita who is happy," Vilak responded. "And she owes her happiness to you."

The other gave a disparaging shrug of his small, well-knit shoulders. "It is nothing that I do. It is nothing."

"Where did you find him?" Vilak queried.

"Over there by the bushes." He pointed off to the patch of vegetation from which they had just come. "It is very strange. Most strange. We were working here, my men and I, spreading gravel along the track where the water has washed the earth away—we cannot do much, but we do what we can—when we hear the noise of horses galloping up the road from which you have come. This is nothing. Often we hear the horses gallop. Many ride past this place. Is it not so?"

"The horses stop for a moment, then they gallop on again. And then we hear other horses gallop. But this also is nothing. But soon also we hear something which is not nothing, something which we who work in the wild places hear never in our wanderings, the weeping of a child. An Indian baby, I think, deserted by its mother. I go to the bushes to see. And there in the weeds I find it, a white baby. I am astonished. A beautiful baby, senhorita, a beautiful baby."

He took one of Vilak's cigarets. "I know at once when I look that it has not been deserted. It is lost or perhaps it is stolen. I am a stranger here. Also are my men strangers. I ask of one who passes on the road if he has ever before beheld the baby, if he perhaps knows the mother. 'Ah yes!' says he at once. 'Who in Porto Verde does not know? It is the nephew of the Senhorita Marberry.'"

"At once I send a man to ride swift to your fazenda, for I know how great must be your agency. He returns. You are gone, he says, where your servants know not. But I know. You have gone to look for the child. It is not good for him to stay here in the damp bushes where there are

mosquitoes which bite and snakes which kill. So I bring him here where I can watch. I fetch for him a blanket so that he will not be on the cold, wet ground—I have also nephews, senhorita. Still he is not happy. He cries always. English words, which I cannot well understand. So I bring for him an orange. He eats. He is happy. At last I see you come. And he is very happy."

Vilak lit the other's cigaret, then his own. "Mighty decent of you. Mighty decent. Very few men would have been so thoughtful. I want to assure you that Senhorita Marberry and I are deeply grateful." He smoked thoughtfully. "You didn't have a chance to see the men who were on the horses?"

"No, senhor. It is too low here. We cannot see the road." He looked at his cigaret interestedly. "Very excellent, these cigarets. Your special brand, no doubt."

"Exactly. Oriental. I'm glad to (Continued on page six.)

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Father of Ranger Man Dies at Home In Greenwood, La.

Word came to Mrs. A. N. Harkrider of Ranger late last night that J. C. Harkrider, father of Dr. A. N. Harkrider, had passed away at his home in Greenwood, La.

The deceased was almost 80 years of age and until a few months ago was a strong and active man. His death was not unexpected as he has been very sick for some time.

His widow and nine children, five daughters and four sons, and several grandchildren, sisters and brothers, as well as hosts of friends are today mourning the passing of this venerable man, who was for almost a lifetime a member of the Methodist church and was the father of 12 children, three of whom have already passed into the beyond.

Last summer when the deceased and his wife were in Ranger, a family reunion was held at the Harkrider home here, and at that time several of his brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews were present. It was a very happy occasion and a picture was made of the several generations that had met here to honor the visitors from Greenwood.

Mrs. Neal of Eastland is a sister of the deceased and Mrs. Jop Little a niece. Dr. Harkrider has been at his father's bedside since Monday morning.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock and Dr. Harkrider will return to Ranger Thursday night.

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Desdemona And Stephenville Want Highway

Citizens of Eastland, joined by those of Desdemona, Lingleville and Stephenville, as well as those along the route, are very anxious that work on the highway leading from Eastland to Stephenville via Desdemona which was discontinued last summer, be resumed at once and carried to an early completion.

This highway, which passed through a thickly settled country and connects with the Bankhead highway at Eastland and with other important highways at Stephenville, was graded between Stephenville and Lingleville, a distance of about 12 miles before work on it was stopped. If the road was opened and hard surfaced, or even graveled, it would provide a shorter route by some fifteen or twenty miles, between Eastland and Fort Worth.

The Eastland county commissioners court at one time, it was stated, had virtually agreed with the state highway department on the building of Eastland county's portion of this highway, but at about this time the matter was dropped and nothing more has been heard of it.

Desdemona citizens in Eastland Tuesday stated that the citizens of that town were very anxious that the road be designated as a state highway, if such has not already been done, and that work on it be resumed and pushed to completion. "We are entitled to a hard surfaced road, but if it is not practical to give us that at this time, we would be satisfied for the time being with a good graveled road," these citizens said.

Conway Tearle In Elks' Picture At Lamb Thursday



Conway Tearle

For more than a year a picture, dedicated to American Elksdom, was in making at the PBO studios in Hollywood. Most of the time was spent in preparing and about three months in filming. But at last this great picture was completed.

The title of the picture is "Moulders of Men," and it is coming to the Lamb theatre Thursday. It is preceded by the most glowing reports from every town in which it has already shown. It is a picture that will thrill you to the tips of your fingers, a picture that no real American should fail to see.

John Chapman Hilder, nationally known as the managing editor of the Elks' Magazine, wrote the original story and Dorothy Yost adapted it for the screen.

Ralph Ince, one of the most brilliant directors in filmdom, considers this picture his best effort to date. This is high praise from a man of his experience and ability. The central figure, a wealthy Elk, who is typical of the finest principles of the famous organization, is played by Conway Tearle, an ideal selection for the part.

Margaret Morris, gorgeously beautiful feminine star, plays opposite Tearle as a newspaper writer. Frank Darro has the part of a crippled boy whose health and shattered limb are restored through the kindly efforts of Tearle and his organization. Frankie, because of his wonderful acting in "Kid" roles, has taken the place of Jackie Coogan in filmland. His playing of the part of the crippled boy in this picture is par excellence.

In the interest of humanity, Tearle has made a vow that he will use all his influence and fortune to stamp out the evils that are undermining the health and character of the people of his town.

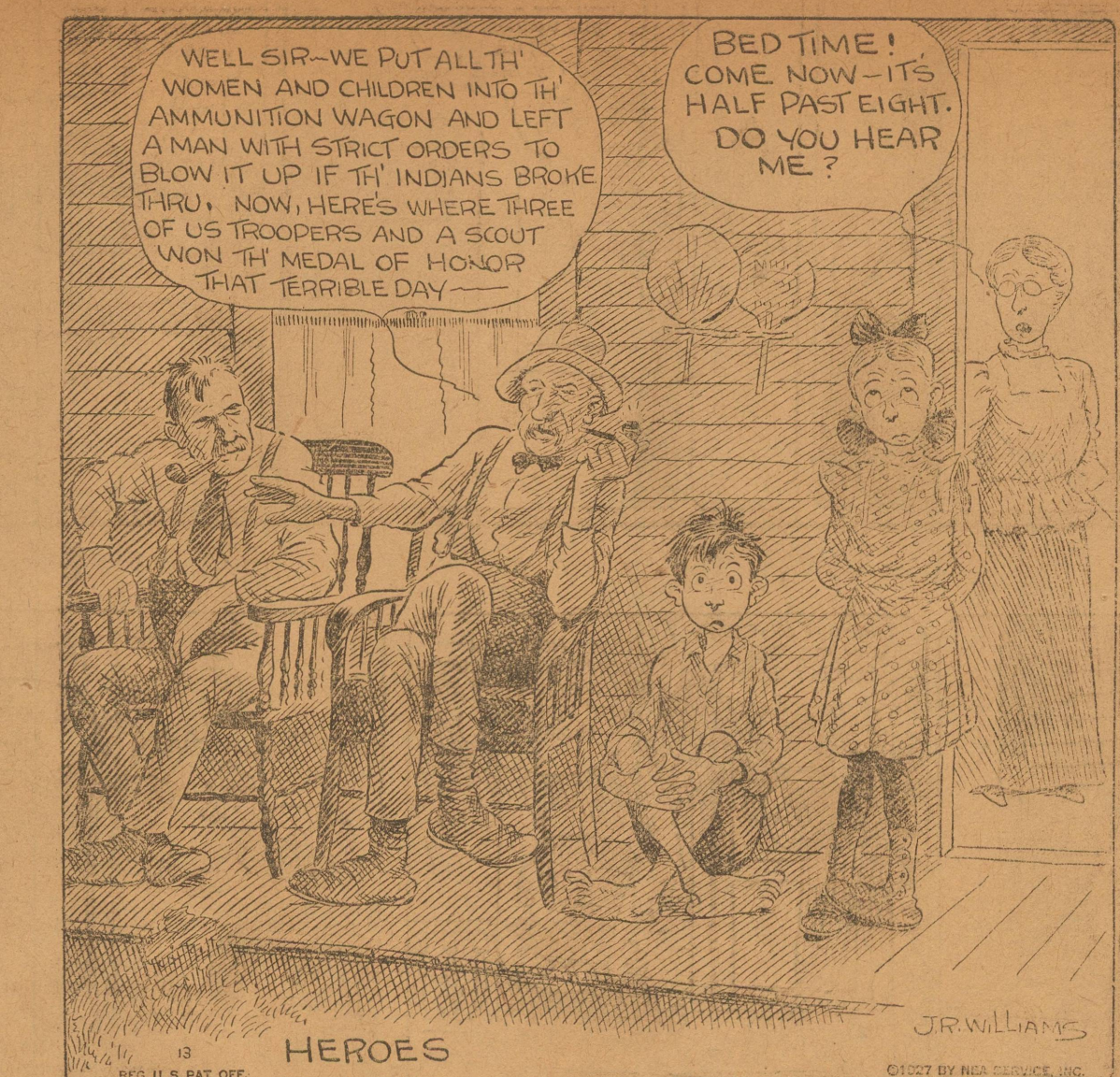
This vow leads the star through some of the most thrilling sequences of his long and brilliant screen successes.

Rookies Showing At Lamb Theatre Draws Big Crowd

"Rookies" showing at the Lamb theatre in Ranger and Connellee theatre in Eastland, is a whiz. It would make the grouchiest grouch forget his troubles and break into violent laughter and it has a double meaning for those who have been in the training of Uncle Sam.

The large crowd that saw the show in Ranger last night were convulsed with mirth from the beginning to the end of the picture. The story is of a "rookie" thirty days in training camp. His escapades, and his love affairs and his hair raising drop from an airplane to a balloon with life saving parachute. "Rookies" will be shown again tonight and in addition to the special picture the management of the Lamb is running a clever comedy, "Hoses, Hoses," Pathe News and Topics, which are extremely interesting.

Out Our Way



HEROES

Jungle Breath

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hear you say you like them. Senhoriga Marberry doesn't approve. He glared toward her smilingly. "Incidentally I haven't introduced you. My client, Senhoriga Marberry, I present for all your good wishes Senhoriga. He passed for the name.

"D'Albentara. Carlos D'Albentara," the other responded graciously. Elise stepped forward and heartily shook his hand. "I shall never forget what you've done for me. If there's ever anything that I can do or anything that my fazenda has which might help you I'll feel very much hurt if you don't ask for it. I hope you'll come out and call on me."

He bowed. "You honor me, Senhoriga. You do me great honor."

She glanced at the men shoveling gravel at the river's edge. "Do you think there is going to be a flood? The river seems to be getting higher all the time and I'm beginning to be worried about my property over at Villapa, about fifteen or twenty miles from here. It's always a first to get the water. I've got a good man over there, a chap named Wilson, who is very good, but he's been quite ill lately with fever and I hate to have him be compelled to do all the fearful work of an emergency such as a flood."

"D'Albentara looked surprised. "Wilson, you say this is his name? Could it be perhaps that I know him? A little man, black hair, and large feet, who has once worked on this railroad as an engineer?"

"No. It's a different man altogether. The one that works for me is a blond and I brought him direct from the States—Do you think we'll have the flood?"

"That I wish I knew, Senhoriga. No one can say and perhaps afterward not be called a teller of falsehoods. But to me the river seems rising, always. And if it rises there cannot but be a flood."

The stunted Indian of the enormous nose who had brought them from the road came forward and, grunting a few guttural sentences to him, pointed off to a group of laborers saving some trees. He turned to the visitors. "I must go back to my men, amigos," he murmured. "It is to me a great pleasure to have made your friendship. A great pleasure. Goodby, Senhoriga, Senhoriga."

"Don't forget to come to see me soon," Elise called out blithely as they climbed to the road again. She jumped into her saddle, then took the baby which Vilak gently lifted to her. "Life's a queer thing," she said as the horses paced slowly toward the fazenda, and she leaned down and kissed the child again. "At two o'clock I am heartbroken, at five I am simply bubbling over with joy. Simply because this little bit of humanity we happen to call Tinky is with me. Oh, I know I make a fool of myself over him," she added with a half apologetic glance at Vilak. "But I do love him. Whatever my cardiac condition pretends to think about the folly of human emotions in general, and the emotion of affection in particular. Some people can go through life with a poker face and a poker face disposition. I can't."

Vilak untied a knot in his horse's bridle. "A poker face in my profession is at times a necessity. I thoroughly approve of love—applied to Tinky." He watched her thoughtfully as her delicate hand caressed the child. "I'm sorry. I've got bad news for you."

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By JOHN E. EDGERTON, President, National Association of Manufacturers.

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