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BANDITS GET \$10,000 NEAR CISCO

LOWLY SPUD AGAIN VISITS HOMES OF POOR

Drops From 10 to 2-3-4 cents; Other Estates Also Decline.

The lowly spud, which according to the acquired wisdom of Neph Webster is a potato, has again come into its own. From being the cheapest edible in the world a year or two ago it rose to an aristocratic plane. So high in price did the "tumples" go that it was considered good form by our very best people to have them included in almost every meal. But now they have tumbled and are lowering the high cost of living.

A year ago the Irish potato cost 10 cents a pound. Today they are being quoted by local merchants as low as 2 1/2 cents a pound. The price is almost on a par with the lowest rice-war level. Beef, which is a potato's natural companion, has also registered some drop, but not in proportion to that of the spud. Sugar, another large factor in the cost of living, has also declined until in many cases it can be purchased at a price 100 per cent less than the rate asked one year ago.

With flour registering small declines from time to time, the prospects on the whole are considered bright for the future costs of living.

FIRE MENACE HOVERS OVER BRECKENRIDGE

Boilers Must Be Closed Down or Spark Arresters Placed, Chief Says.

BRECKENRIDGE, Dec. 27.—With storage overflowing and wells all over the townsite making much gas, an order has been issued by Fire Chief, Hollywood that all boilers either be closed down entirely or else be equipped with spark arresters. This order was issued when Chief Hollywood observed sparks from a stack blowing freely about over a vicinity where gas and oil was exposed in great quantities. In the majority of cases the demand was obeyed.

Every precaution is being used in Breckenridge to prevent a disastrous fire. So closely do the wells lie on the townsite, with vast quantities of oil and gas around them, that it is believed that once a fire gained headway in the southern part of the city, where the majority of the wells are situated, that nothing would prevent its sweeping the entire city, including the business district.

At present fire protection is almost totally lacking and should a fire once get hold and begin to spread, nothing it is believed would ever stop it until it had burned itself out, inflicting millions of dollars in damage and probably resulting in loss of life.

ARDMORE ALL JAZZED UP OVER CLARA'S PRESENCE

ARDMORE, Dec. 27.—Frequent conferences today between Clara Smith Hamon, now at liberty on a \$12,000 bond for the murder of Jake L. Hamon, multi-millionaire and Republican national committeeman, and her attorneys added thrill to the Ardmore community life.

A number of prominent Ardmoreites also visited the office of Mathers & Conley, her counsel, today, but they refused to reveal the purpose of their visits.

Mrs. Hamon again spent the night at her sister's home in Wilson and motored into Ardmore this morning. From then on she either attended conferences in her lawyers' offices or remained in seclusion in the same hotel where Jake L. Hamon was shot.

Frank L. Ketch, former business manager and now administrator of Hamon's estate, returned from his Texas trip during the morning.

He is expected to confer with both Clara Smith Hamon and her attorneys sometime during the day.

AUTO BANDITS MAKE BIG HAUL IN K. C. HOLDUP; LOCK GUARDS IN WAGON

International News Service. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—A long series of crime outrages were climaxed here today when four unmasked motor bandits held up an American Express wagon on a fashionable boulevard on the north side today. The two armed guards with the wagon were overcome by the bandits who drove their automobile into the wagon.

While scores of motors whizzed by, the bandits unlocked the express wagon and carried a 300-pound safe to their car, then locked the guards in the express wagon and fled in their car.

Officials were unable this morning to estimate the extent of the money taken, but admitted that it would run up into thousands of dollars.

DRAFT DESERTERS TO HAVE NAMES PRINTED IN HOME TOWN PAPERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Draft deserters, whose names have been listed, and sent by post, in two years of security from prosecution, are about to receive unpleasant news. The names of 193,911 of them are shortly to be published in their home towns, as a preliminary to bringing them to justice, it was announced by the war department today.

NO ACCIDENTS, FEW DRUNKS, ON CHRISTMAS

Citizens at large view the Christmas just passed in Ranger with a great deal of approbation. It is said that not even a minor accident in which anyone was hurt has been registered, nor has there been a death even from a natural cause. This is thought to be a record for sanity for a city of 20,000 people.

Nevertheless, it is said that the spirit of the season enveloped Ranger and produced, and is still producing, much fun and merriment of the wholesome kind. On the records of the police station, it is found that from Friday morning until Saturday night only five arrests were made on charges of drunkenness. Friday and Saturday night the streets were singularly free from this class of annoyance, and it might be called that. However, even as in the cars that were hauled of egg-nog and the immortal rum and Jerry could be found by those who held the mystic secret, so 'tis averred.

RANGER DOESN'T WANT DAY TRAINS CUT OFF, AS T. & P. REQUESTS

The plan of the Texas & Pacific railroad to discontinue the trains Nos. 5 and 6, one of which arrives here at 11:45 a. m. from Fort Worth, and the other departing for that city at 4:23 p. m., does not appear to meet with the approval of Ranger citizens. All who are approached on the subject are especially anxious that the 4:23 shall be retained, as they feel that with the exception of the Sunshine it is the most valuable train on the road.

As to changing the night trains now running from Baird to Fort Worth, to run from Cisco to Dallas, there is not much sentiment either way. That is looked on as a matter of business for the railroad to decide for itself, and if there is any complaint, it is felt that it should come from the other side of Cisco, as Ranger will be served so long as the trains come from either place.

A hearing has been set for Jan. 11 by the state railway commission.

THINKS STATE SHOULD HAVE CUSTODY OF OLD FAMILY DOCUMENTS

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 27.—Old family documents and heirlooms should be left available to the public when old families break up, in the opinion of Miss Elizabeth West, state librarian.

"Irreplaceable manuscripts, some of which are very valuable from a historical standpoint, are constantly being lost or destroyed because the persons who come into possession of them are not aware of their value," Miss West said. "Recently," she added, "a member of the faculty of the school of history of the University of Texas was making efforts to obtain a collection of state papers and relics assembled by a former governor of Texas, only to discover that someone connected with the family had decided to clean house after the death of the governor and had burned several barrels of 'trash.' A number of original state papers and much unpublished data on Texas history thus fed the flames of the trash pile."

Miss West related another instance in which university authorities were attempting to secure an old Spanish file concerning Texas, which was in the hands of a Texas family. The owner decided to keep the file, and later moved to Corpus Christi. The recent tropical storm there swept all the documents into the Gulf of Mexico.

In addition to relics and documents relating to Texas and American political history, Miss West said, the state is rich in relics of the aborigines who were here before the coming of the white man, and the school of anthropology of the University of Texas is especially desirous of obtaining rare relics of this nature.

L. C. C. DECLARES CANCELLATION OF KAN.-OKLA. PIPE LINE RATES

International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today found not justified the proposed cancellation of the joint rates on the transportation of crude oil by pipe line companies from Kansas and Oklahoma points to Lacey Station, Pa.

FEDERAL FOOD CONTROL HELD BEST SYSTEM

Commission Recommends to Congress that Central Markets Be Established.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Establishment of central markets for perishable food products in all large cities and the setting up of a federal licensing system applicable to all dealers in such foods at those markets is proposed by the federal trade commission in its annual report today to congress.

The commission's conclusions are based on an investigation covering many months and it declares that federal action is necessary to obtain effective regulation and to avoid unfair and wasteful practices with the consequent effect on prices. In the present system the commission sees as a hindrance to the proper passage of perishables from the producer to the consumer certain interstate dealings which it believes should be eliminated and it suggests that the handling of these products be surrounded by numerous regulations and restrictions such as the recording of available supplies, the dating of cold storage periods and provisions for auction marketing.

Eliminate Hoarding. Facilities should be made adequate, the commission says, to enable the producer to ship freely into the central markets and "with proper protection of his interests." The marketing system should be so covered that objectionable hoarding would be eliminated and proper co-ordination of transportation facilities should be accomplished to make deliveries certain when required.

The commission says that "the needed reforms can hardly be expected to be accomplished by the initiative of the dealers," and asserts that state and municipal authorities lack adequate power to effectively regulate the handling of the food supplies. Although co-operation of state and local authorities and railroads might accomplish the ends sought, the commission believes this plan does not hold out much hope for a satisfactory solution of the problem.

Turning to wheat products, the commission says it has found that concentration of the milling industry has progressed far enough so that "probably ten of the largest milling concerns could supply the demand of the country for flour." The commission mentions incidentally that its figures from 27 milling corporations, showed that their sales had increased from \$160,000,000 to \$354,000,000 between 1914 and 1918, while their annual profits had grown from \$5,500,000 to \$20,000,000 in the same period.

Indorses Export Law. Reporting on the operation of the Webb-Pomerene act, permitting formations of associations for export trade, the commission informs congress that this act has served as "a decided factor" in promoting the progress of American manufacturers in foreign markets. The commission says that during the year 43 associations comprising approximately 732 concerns whose offices and plants are distributed over 45 states of the Union reported to it as operating under the export act.

"Records of the commission seem to demonstrate," the report continues, "that the criticism so often charged against United States exporters of failing to cultivate and maintain permanent trade relations abroad and too often withdrawing from a particular foreign market as soon as more attractive opportunities present themselves at home or elsewhere will not apply to associations operating under the export-trade act."

"In reply to questionnaires sent out by the commission requesting an expression of opinion as to the actual working out of the export-trade act, the replies received for the most part expressed satisfaction over the results received under the law. It was reported that the system of collective advertising and selling makes for the elimination of much useless expense and duplication of effort. Several associations reported that their system of conducting business abroad is meeting with the hearty approval of the foreign customers."

The commission says also that the law instead of increasing the strength of the already great American industrial establishments, has enabled the smaller concerns to band together in a fashion to push fully organized export trade in a keen competitive manner in which they are not able to do at home. To this extent, the commission believes, the law has worked to the great advantage of the small firms.

IRELAND PEACEFUL DURING CHRISTMAS

International News Service. LONDON, Dec. 27.—While Premier Lloyd George was giving his personal attention to special Irish peace reports, news was received this morning of shooting in the streets of Dublin and fresh outbreaks in county Cork, but taken all in all, the Christmas period passed much more quietly than had been expected.

CARUSO'S BAD LUCK CONTINUES; NOW ILL

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Enrico Caruso, noted tenor, continued to suffer today from an acute attack of pleurisy in his magnificent suite at the Hotel Vanderbilt. Several doctors were in attendance and his wife took turns with two nurses in watching at his bedside. It was expected that he would be unable to fulfill his operatic singing engagements for several weeks to come.

BEAUTY TRAILS FOOTSTEPS OF OLIVE THOMAS

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The gay life of Paris claimed another American woman today, when Mrs. Hally E. Peck, formerly of Louisville, died in a hospital here of venereal poisoning. Mrs. Peck, who was also known as Mrs. Peck Whitley, came to Paris at the beginning of the year and had a divorce pending. It is understood that she intended to go on the stage after she had secured it.

She maintained a luxurious apartment and had plenty of money, which enabled her to enjoy the gay night life of Paris. In May, her friends say, she became ill and melancholy and made several attempts to commit suicide, but in each attempt she had been frustrated by her maid. Last night she took a large dose of venereal and was rushed to a hospital, where she died this morning.

Authorities announced that they had found no motive for the deed and declared that a postmortem would be held later.

FINAL TOTAL OF CHEER FUND YET UNCERTAIN

Received heretofore	\$2,010.18
Millford Undertaking Co.	2.40
Peoples' meat market	4.72
Jan	2.00
Frank Brahaney	2.00
Jones & Deffebach	2.00
A. S. Pitman	5.00
Total	\$2,026.30

The "Times" Christmas Cheer Fund has now exceeded its \$2,000 quota and no further solicitation will be made. There are still some outstanding funds to be collected. They are additional moneys raised by the local Rotary club during its "Newsie Day" drive and it is not expected that they will be definitely known before the regular weekly meeting of the club, Wednesday.

Among those donations received today was that given by the Millford Undertaking company which raised its fund in a unique manner. Every man that threw a match or cigarette on the floor was required to deposit a dime in the box in which the fund was being kept.

There is nearly \$1,000 of the funds which has not been spent. Within the very near future it will be spent for clothing for the poor children of the future.

FORTUNE TELLER WARNS, CREWS STRIKE, TUGS IDLE

QUEBEC, Dec. 27.—Two American tugs, bound for New York by way of the St. Lawrence river will have to winter in Quebec.

The crews went on a strike here after reflecting on the predictions of a fortune teller at Detroit that one of the boats would never finish its journey.

"INSUFFICIENT FUNDS" TO CAUSE ABOLITION OF CHECK CASHING? RANGER LOST \$750,000 IN YEAR

Bad checks, mostly of the "insufficient funds" and "no account" variety, cost Ranger merchants at least \$750,000 during the year now drawing to a close, according to M. O. Burt, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association. There were some forgeries, but their number was negligible. "Why forge a check and take a chance of being sent to the penitentiary, when the same results can be obtained by putting \$1.50 in the bank and writing all kinds of checks against it?" Mr. Burt asked.

FUME TAKEN; D'ANNUNZIO MAY BE SUICIDE

International News Service. The following were the chief milestones in the career of Gabriele D'Annunzio in his spectacular military coup at Fiume:

September 13, 1919—Occupied city with force of irregulars.
September 27, 1919—Established a navy with four warships.
September 25—Issued a proclamation insisting upon the annexation of Fiume by the Italian government.
November 16—Returns to Fiume after a foray to the Dalmatian coast.
November 20—Makes an announcement that he will resist the Rapallo treaty to the death.
December 1—Sent ultimatum to the Italian government, declaring war.
December 18—Fiume is blockaded.
December 22—Fiume on the verge of starvation, with only one week's supply of rations on hand.
December 24—The attack of the government against Fiume.

MILAN, Dec. 27.—Gabriele D'Annunzio, leader of the forces holding Fiume, has either been wounded or committed suicide, according to a report from Fiume today. The report is not confirmed.

The destroyer Espero, which recently joined D'Annunzio's navy, was sunk in the harbor at Fiume by the warship Adria Doria, the flagship of the blockading fleet. Italian regulars are on the offensive and advanced into the city today. This morning they were 1,000 yards from the governor's palace, the headquarters of D'Annunzio. D'Annunzio's troops are putting up a stiff fight, but the casualties are not known.

Efforts to confirm the report that D'Annunzio is either wounded or has committed suicide have failed.

D'ANNUNZIO'S MEN SURRENDER AT ZARA

International News Service. LONDON, Dec. 27.—The legionnaires and volunteers of Gabriele D'Annunzio occupying Zara have surrendered the city to Italian regular troops, according to a Central News dispatch from Rome, where an official announcement to this effect has been issued. Zara is an important point on the Dalmatian front, it is said.

PENNSYLVANIA FIRE BUG MAKES CONFESSION

GREENBURG, Pa., Dec. 27.—Albert Smith, aged 27 years and a steel mill worker, although of a good family, stands accused today of the many flames of incendiary origin in Fayette county recently. Smith has written an amazing confession, telling how each deed was done, according to Herbert C. Smith of the state police. No details were omitted.

It is said to be the most remarkable document that ever fell into the hands of the state police. Neither malice nor gain figured in the motive. According to his own story, Smith wanted to see what a bright light would be given in the night by the burning buildings. He will be given a mental test shortly, for it is believed that he is mentally deficient.

JOKER WAS "WILD."

International News Service. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Hoyle is not one of the legal books on file in Judge McAtee's court. As a result the judge was forced to continue a recent case for a week in order to permit that well-known authority to be consulted. Miguel Olympus charged Manuel J. Fernandez with grand larceny of \$245. It appeared that amount was at stake in a poker game. Olympus had a hand of four aces and a queen. He was about to haul in the money when Fernandez beat him to it with "five kings." Olympus didn't like the five king business and told the judge so. "We call the wild joker a king," explained Fernandez. Judge McAtee said he'd never heard of "wild jokers" and adjourned the case to consult Hoyle.

BIG DEFICIT FOUND IN PORTLAND BOND FIRM

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 27.—Owing to an apparent deficit of between \$300,000 and \$500,000 between its assets and its liabilities, the firm of Morris Bros., exclusive bond dealers, did not open here this morning nor at any of its various branches at San Francisco, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Seattle and other cities.

TWO MEN WITH RIFLE STOP BANK EMPLOYE, SEIZE CASH, DRIVE OFF

Many Poses Search for Men Who Wore Khaki Clothing and Drove Ford Car; Money Was Insured.

Special to the Times. CISCO, Dec. 27.—Operating within two miles of this city, highwaymen this morning took \$10,000 in currency from J. L. Howell, a Leeroy bank messenger, and are now being pursued by posesses from several points.

Howell had come to Cisco from the Guaranty State bank at Leeroy, with an order on the American National bank of this city for the money. After obtaining it, he started back by automobile. About two miles out of town, he told officials, he came upon two men in a battered Ford car beside the road, who with a rifle forced him to alight and bring the money to them. Still keeping him covered, they disabled his car, by driving it into a tree, and then drove off. Howell walked to a nearby house, where he obtained a horse on which he rode to Cisco and gave the alarm.

GHOLSON WELL 4 FEET DEEPER, 500 BETTER

Well Had Been Making 600 to 700 Barrels; Other Wells Expected.

Drilling only four feet deeper, last week the Texas company increased the output of its No. 11 well on the Gholson lease, seven miles north of Ranger, to an extent of 500 barrels. The well had previously been making between 600 and 700 barrels daily, it is said, but when the additional drilling was done the tools were blown out of the hole.

The company has three more wells now being drilled on the same property and, in addition, its well No. 9 is now producing between 800 and 900 barrels daily. It is expected that some of those wells now being drilled will be brought in early in the new year.

The Hagaman No. 3 is a new location, just made, and work is now in progress on the rig, which will be completed within the next few days, when drilling operations will begin.

KU-KLUX KLAN PARADES IN COLUMBUS STREETS; WARNS UNDESIRABLES

International News Service. COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Loafers and undesirables, both white and black, were handed a warning last night by figures, robed in white, which marched through the principal streets of the city last night. The warning was couched in the following language:

"Warning, You Undesirables, Both White and Black: We know you. Take warning. This loafing, stealing and prowling around has got to stop."

"KU KLUX."

Many negroes fled from the main part of town to the darker sections of the city.

MISSING PARIS BANKER IS FOUND IN RAGS

PARIS, Dec. 26.—M. Frozoula, the missing banker and former colonial governor, who was supposed to have been kidnapped by a mysterious debtor, has been found.

The police of the small Norman town of Vernon noticed a white-bearded man wandering about in tattered clothes who closely resembled the description of the missing banker. Although the report had come from the south that the body of a man resembling the missing man had been found in a wood with a bullet hole in the forehead and a letter in his pocket stating that he wished to disappear mysteriously, the police challenged the ragged stranger and he at once confessed that he was Frozoula.

He showed his identification papers and told a long story about how he had been attacked and robbed. During last week, when the police were searching for him, the Paris board of magistrates had received a letter from him without address, telling a similar story of an attack having occurred in another place. The police theory is now that the fortunate banker is suffering from various ailments, probably brought on by his worries.

ELEVEN ABOVE

TULSA, Dec. 27.—Eleven degrees below zero today is experienced here, the coldest of the winter yet.

The men are described as wearing army uniforms and had slouch hats pulled well down over their faces. They were masked.

Poses Comb District. All towns in this section were telephoned of the occurrence and posesses from Cisco, Eastland and Leeroy are combing the district. It is feared, however, that the men will abandon the car and merge themselves into the crowds of oil field workers who answer the same general description as the bandits. There are several roads intersecting in this neighborhood and the bandits can make for Breckenridge, Caddo, Eastland or Ranger to the north and east, or could turn northwest toward Moran.

The money taken in the holdup was insured against burglary, the bank here states.

A detachment of rangers was sent by Captain Blackwell early this afternoon to assist in the search for the highwaymen. It is the first real action furnished the state officers since they have made Ranger their oil field headquarters.

WHOLESALE HOLDUP AT RINGOLD FRUSTRATED

Special Lensed Wire. NOCONA, Texas, Dec. 27.—All telephone wires into Ringold are cut as the result of activities of a band of highwaymen who had planned to rob the town on a wholesale order, but the discovery of the wires having been cut frustrated all of their efforts.

DEMOCRATS FILIBUSTER ON TARIFF BILL

International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The tariff situation hung on tender hooks in the Senate today for the reason that Democrats opposed to the omnibus bill, levying prohibitive or protective tariffs on the importation of agricultural or other commodities, marshalled forces for the avowed purpose of delaying a final vote. Senators Harrison of Mississippi and Thomas of Colorado are among those who have frankly admitted their intention of filibustering against the bill.

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Son Wouldn't Be Chastised; Whole Family Arrested

With two families arrested en masse under charges of disturbing the peace, the number of arrests made yesterday totaled eighteen. Of this number only two were for drunkenness. Five were women charged with vagrancy; two were for frays and the remainder were for various minor offenses.

In the two families arrested the combined number was seven. In each case they were charged with disturbing the peace by virtue of the fact the complainant charged, that they cursed and shrieked and otherwise acted in a manner calculated to provoke a breach of the peace.

It developed that in one instance an effort was being made to chastise a nearly grown son by one of his parents. Not being successful, another son lent his services. The result, it is said, led to quite a disturbance of the surrounding landscape. The case has been set for trial tomorrow.

One man charged with an affray did not remember how it all happened but after feeling of his head he did not deny the statement of Policeman Jim Hunt that he had been thrown head first through a glass door at the Wide Awake cafe. His assailant could not be found. The charge in this case was changed to plain drunk.

ANDERSON GIVEN EXAMINING TRIAL IN BOOZE CASE TODAY

"Curley" Anderson, arrested Saturday night at the New York rooms, has been charged in Justice of the Peace Fenlaw's court with having liquor in his possession.

His wife, arrested at the same time, has been charged with abusive language. The arrests were made by Deputy Sheriff Ames and Edmonson. Mrs. Anderson will be arraigned today and given an opportunity to plead. Her husband will be given an examining trial and bond set.

About a pint of corn liquor and a small bottle of Jamaica ginger was found at the rooms when the raid was made Saturday night. The officers, however, found other bottles which they say are evidence that liquor in quantities has been kept around the rooming house.

On a previous raid made on the house wherein nothing was found the officers declared that the man now in jail boasted of the fact that he sold more whiskey than any man in town but was too smart to get caught.

In the complaint filed against the woman it is set out that she used language toward Officer Ames that was calculated to provoke a breach of the peace.

TRAIN KILLS SLAYER DAY AFTER THE CRIME

PANA, Ill., Dec. 27.—Swift vengeance was meted out at Nokomis, west of here, to William Stepsek, 35, a coal miner, who late Sunday night in a rooming house at Nokomis killed Fred ("Pete") Kossek, 28, with a shotgun. Both men were drinking.

While a coroner's jury was concluding its inquest on Kossek's body and returning a verdict holding Stepsek, the coroner was notified a man had been killed by the Big Four train near the funeral parlor where the inquest was on.

Undertaker, coroner and jury rushed to the scene and there found the dismembered body of Stepsek.

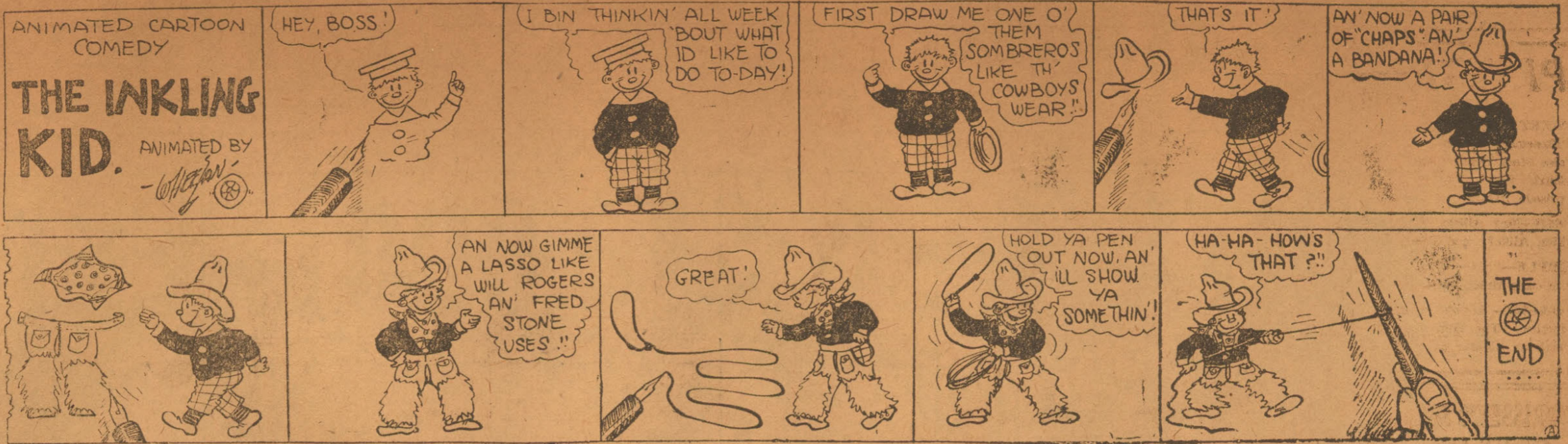
He had concealed himself in a construction car and in attempting to board a fast train fell beneath the wheels.

No one knows the cause of the quarrel which led up to Kossek's murder.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT ORDERS CONTRACTS CANCELLED

LONDON, Dec. 27.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Christiana today said that the Tosta agency had transmitted the following telegram from Moscow: "George Tchitcherin, Peoples' Commissar for foreign affairs for the Soviet government, has cabled to Ludwig Martens, Soviet ambassador to the United States, ordering him to cancel all contracts for American supplies."

MOVIES



Women Blamed For Desertions By Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Who is at fault when a man deserts his wife? "The lady," responds the foreign relations committee, which has found in considering the treaty with Canada for the extradition of wife deserters, that marital as well as international relations fall within its purview.

Holding this view, the committee has voted against the ratification of the treaty. Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, the chairman, alone dissenting. He promises to carry the matter to the floor of the Senate to win a two-thirds vote.

Senator Lodge points out that forty states now have laws permitting the extradition of wife deserters, so that a treaty with this provision would mean no new precedent.

Senator Atlee Pomerene of Ohio leads the opposition to the treaty. The senator insisted during the committee's deliberation of the subject that he, as a lawyer, had found the women almost invariably are to blame in cases of wife desertion. To such an extent is this true, when he represents the wife, he says, he has kept her out of court for fear her sharp tongue will lose the case.

The Ohio senator said that where there are children, the father should be compelled to provide for their support, and he has been in touch with the State Department, seeking a modification of the Canadian treaty to bring this about. But for the wife he has no sympathy, and if he can prevent it there will be no treaty to return a husband whose wife has forced him to forsake home and country to begin life anew elsewhere.

OLD SOFA COULD TELL MANY TALES

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 27.—The following articles were found between the back and the cushion of an old sofa on its arrival at a local furniture store to be repaired:

Thirty-five hairpins, sixteen suspender buttons, thirty-six wads of chewing gum, two mustache combs, eight matches, four cigarettes, five cuff buttons, and last but not least a small package of "nerve" powder.

An investigation showed that a salesman for the furniture store had purchased the sofa from a man having three unmarried daughters.

LOWER RENTS
in Ranger mean
MORE HOMES

Finds His Mother After Nine Years

War Veteran Suffering From Lapse of Memory Tried to Sell Her Pictures.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 27.—Still weak from wounds and suffering a lapse of memory which has continued for two years, Charles W. Walton, 20, war veteran, was reunited with his mother after nine years. The reunion was brought about through fate and the Greater Wilkes-Barre chamber of commerce. Officials published his story and the mother saw it. Secretary Williams directed her to the community in which he supposed son was staying and she found him in Westmoor. She examined several birthmarks and declared him to be her son.

He was unable to remember her at first. But by patient endeavor the mother aided him to recall, and she now has high hopes that he will be strong again. Mrs. Mangan, who was married twice, said that when the boy was 11 years old she sent him on an errand. He did not return. The Susquehanna river flows by the house. Neighbors declared that Charlie fell through the ice, and he was virtually given up for dead. But Mrs. Mangan did not give up and has been ever hopeful. She believes two men stole him from Plymouth and took him to Buffalo.

Walton does not remember enlisting,

but his record shows he enlisted at Fort Slocum and was wounded several times in France. He lost his memory after being released from a hospital.

New Englander Urges Puritan Dress For Women

International News Service. BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Puritan costume for women is recommended by Rev. E. Talmadge Root, executive secretary of the Federation of Churches of Massachusetts.

Dr. Root declares that the anniversary of the Pilgrim's landing is the fitting time for women to go back to the old-fashioned and "respectable" clothes of their foremothers.

"Now is the time for every decent woman to turn to the high neck ruffs, the stiff starches, the long skirts and the enveloping cloaks of old Dame Puritan," he says.

Here are some of the thunderous broadsides hurled at the dress of modern women:

"To the eternal bone-heap with the low necks, the high heels, the be-deviltries of knee-high skirts and other alluring displays."

"Sister, be not a stumbling block in the path of your respectable brother, trying to do right even in the face of your upstart dressings."

"Men have stood the test of women's

clothes pretty well, but they cannot stand it much longer.

Let the women go back to the long skirts, the higher necks, the not-too-revealing dresses of the Puritans. It is high time. The pendulum has swung long enough in the other direction."

OHIO WILL REQUIRE PROOF

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Warning that residents of Ohio cannot be extradited upon charges of nonsupport to states in which their separated wives live was given here in a decision of Judge Ake of the common pleas court, refusing to turn over C. C. Brown of this city to a Kansas officer.

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It was shown that Brown had been living here for several months, and was not in the state of Kansas at the time of the alleged desertion. The court held that it would be fantastic to hold him guilty of a charge under these circumstances. Under this ruling it will be necessary hereafter to establish the guilt of absentee husbands before they can be transported out of Ohio. The accusation of the wife will have to be supplemented by an actual case of desertion.

"CORNING" CRUDE CUT.

International News Service. PITTSBURGH, Dec. 27.—The Joseph Seep agency, buyers for the Standard Oil company, announced today that the "Corning" grade of crude oil will be reduced 25 cents a barrel shortly. The reduction is from \$4.25 to \$4 a barrel. No other changes were announced.

TULSA STORE ROBBED.

TULSA, Dec. 27.—Hurling a brick through a window of the Chaplin women's wear store, thieves last night stole \$2,000 worth of furs and made away with them, within one block of the police station. The store is in the heart of the business district.

FORT WORTH GRAND JURY PROBES LYNCHING THERE

Special Leased Wire. FORT WORTH, Dec. 27.—The grand jury, investigating the recent lynching of Tom Vickery, white man, who had previously killed a Fort Worth policeman, reconvened today. It is believed that a number of the members of the local police force participated in the lynching.

White Palace Grocery and Market
401 Strawn Ave.
A Special Holiday Week Sale!!

You Cannot Afford to Miss These Grocery Bargains

Pecans	32c per lb.
Crisco—3 lb. size for 65c, 6 lb. size for	\$1.25
Seedless Raisins	29c per lb.
Cranberries	28c per lb.
Extra Large Oranges	51c per doz.
Del Monte No. 2 1/2 size large Pineapple	39c a can
Del Monte No. 2 Corn	18c per can
Irish Potatoes, 35 lbs. for	\$1.00
Walnuts	33c per lb.
3 bars P. & G. Soap	25c

The thrifty housewife will watch for our Announcements during the week.

A Few Items Listed Here Are Samples of the Prices You Get When You Buy at This

Pre-Inventory Sale

All EA Electric Horns off	20%
Ford Body Radiators, regular \$29	\$22.00
Dayton Wire Wheels for Fords, 5 wheels and carrier, regular \$100	\$80.00
Champion X Plugs, regular \$1.00	.70c
All sizes A. C. Titan Plugs, regular \$1.25	.80c
17-inch Corrugated Steering Wheels for Fords, regular \$5.00	\$4.25
Presto Headlamps for trucks, regular \$13.50, pair	\$10.75

All sizes in Clear, Daylight and Opal Electric Light Bulbs for the home at 15% discount.

Ranger Gasoline Co.

Cor. Pine and Rusk

THOROUGHLY GOOD repairing of generators, starting motors, distributors, magnetos, etc.—repairs that are LASTING.

When your car's system is developing trouble come to us and have it remedied at its SOURCE by a competent AUTO ELECTRICIAN working with the proper equipment. No guess work or experimenting at your expense.

Electric Service Co.
115 So. Commerce St.
(next to Hotel Theodore)
RANGER, TEXAS

Valliant's Toyland and Bookstore

Wishes to express many thanks to their customers and friends for the many kindnesses in the past season.

Due to our recent establishment in our new quarters, and the almost impossibility of meeting every requirement we had hoped to meet, our friends have been unusually considerate.

However, in the future, we hope to serve you in a way which shall be in every instance satisfactory.

We bid everyone the Very Best of the Season's Greetings.

By BILLY DE BECK

PROGRAM

LIBERTY—Mary Miles Minter in "Rosemary Climbs the Heights," also Mack Sennett comedy, "Whose Little Wife?" and "Hands Up," episode five.

MORRISSEY'S SEVEN CUTIES SURE BUZZ SOME, AT MAJESTIC

Will Morrissey heads the travesty now being shown at the Majestic under the title of "Buzzin' Around." But Will is not the whole—not by about seven good looking girls of the variety made famous by Luke McLuke's "corn feds." The dance and sing and do a number of things such as buzzing around that make the bald headed row catch its breath.

One little lady, whose name is deleted for no other reason than to mention one without mentioning them all would be an injustice, can really dance. And her costume? Ah, her costume—it is too insignificant to mention!

Bill and Moran do a black face that in spots shows some age; but they do it so cleverly that the act goes over big.

Full scope is given to George Fitzmaurice's talent for blending a swift-moving romantic story and ideally artistic back-grounds in "Idols of Clay."

"Are All Men Alike?" starring May Allison, will be the feature attraction at the Lamb theatre beginning today.

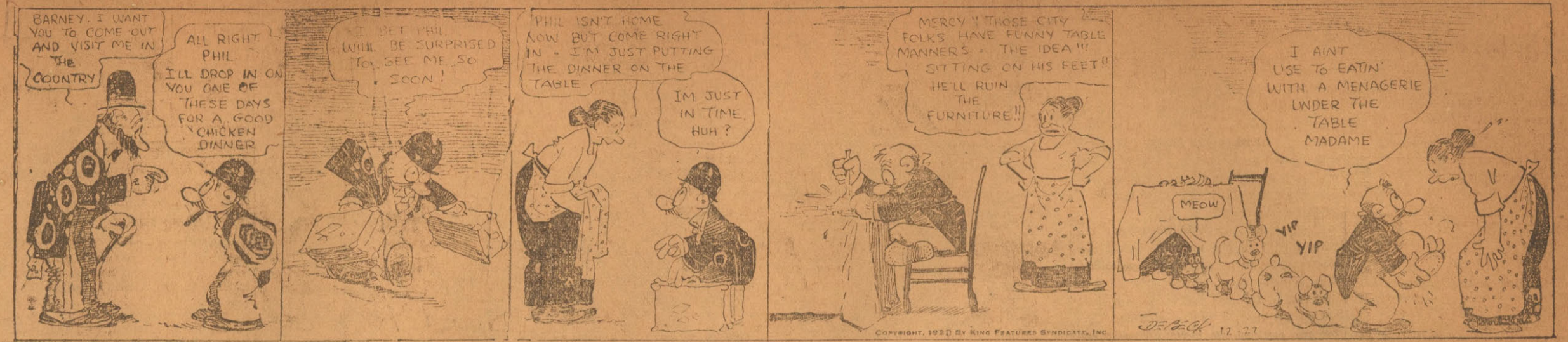
The pleasing work of Miss Murray and Mr. Powell is supplemented by that of a thoroughly adequate supporting cast which includes George Fawcett and Dorothy Cummings. It is a Paramount picture.

"Are All Men Alike?" is Miss Allison's latest starring vehicle, and is conceded by many critics who have reviewed the picture to be her best.

Women employees of the Japanese Department of Agriculture receive on an average of 35 to 45 cents a day.

Approximately 12,000,000 persons live under the American flag outside the continental United States.

Barney's First Thought Was for His Feet.



CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS AT RANGER POSTOFFICE ON JANUARY EIGHTH

Civil service examinations will be held in Ranger on Jan. 8, Feb. 12 and March 12, for the purpose of filling vacancies that are now existing or will exist in the ranks of the clerks and carriers.

The examination is open to both men and women, the only requirement being that they are, in the case of men, 21 years old, and 18 years old in the case of women, and that they are American citizens.

To take the examination it is necessary that application blanks be secured from the local postoffice and mailed to the civil service department at Washington in time for an entrance card to be returned before the date set.

SMALL FIRES SUNDAY AT SINCLAIR CAMP AND PENNANT HOTEL

Two small fires, one near the Sinclair camp and one at the Pennant rooms on Elm street happened yesterday.

At the Sinclair camp a small shack with its contents were burned. The loss was several hundred dollars. By use of its chemical cans the fire department kept the flames from spreading.

At the Pennant rooms a mattress in a room in the second story caught fire in some manner. The woodwork in the corner of the room was burned through before the flames were extinguished.

MRS. M. A. TURNER NAMED LOCAL SECRETARY FOR WELFARE CONFERENCE

Mrs. M. A. Turner has been appointed membership secretary for Ranger of the Texas Conference of Social Welfare, according to news received here this morning from the headquarters at Dallas.

This organization is devoted to co-operation and efficiency in social work, and its membership is open to all persons interested in social progress, whether or not they are actively engaged in social service work.

That an impression had been made was apparent when, on his return from business in the evening, Kitty called upstairs with frigid politeness: "Mother, your husband's home.—Houston Post.

PERSONALS

Arthur Leaveny, of the Ranger Gas Co., left for his home in Waco, Tex., on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. McCoy, and daughter, of St. Owen, spent Christmas with friends in Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. James Valentine spent Christmas with relatives at Crockett.

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Increase In Oil From Argentine Is Promised For 1921

International News Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Development of oil lands in Argentina to the point where that country will be in a position to produce 40 per cent of the oil used there is planned by the Ministry of that country, advices received by the department of commerce here.

Argentine plans to spend 45,000,000 pesos up to and including 1924 for exploitation of oil fields by government appropriation and in addition appropriation of 22,000,000 pesos for the purchase of materials to operate tank steamers.

The aim of the government is to have 700,000 cubic meters of oil produced in 1924, as compared with an estimated production of 210,000 cubic metres this year.

ELIASVILLE WELL OF MID-KANSAS CO. GOOD FOR FIVE HUNDRED

The Mid-Kansas company brought in its well No. 5 on the J. W. Hill lease with 500 barrels production last Friday. Pay was struck at 3,200 feet.

This well is located in the Eliasville district and is only one of fifteen or twenty now being drilled by the company. Two or three more are expected to be brought in by New Year's, it is reported. There are three more wells now drilling on the same lease and have already reached a depth of 1,105.

LEASES OF PRODUCING WELLS ARE AUTHORIZED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Leases of its known producing wells were authorized today to the Honoluh Consolidated Oil company by Secretary Payne of the Department of the Interior over the protest of the Navy Department and others. The company, after denial of its application for patents last spring, applied for leases under the new oil leasing act. What constitutes a producing well under the terms of the act was left open for further argument.

Kitty, aged four, had been naughty and her father had had to administer vigorous correction before going to business. That an impression had been made was apparent when, on his return from business in the evening, Kitty called upstairs with frigid politeness: "Mother, your husband's home.—Houston Post.

MEN WON'T DANCE WITH WOMEN WHO WEAR CORSETS, SAY

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—It's bad enough to be a wall flower, but to be called 'Old Ironsides' is beyond endurance and that is why Indianapolis girls take off their corsets when they go to dance.

At a meeting of the Women's Club here it was revealed that many Indianapolis mothers have trouble in getting their daughters to wear corsets to dance. One woman said her daughters had confessed that she takes hers off because the boys call corset wearers 'Old Ironsides' and steer clear of them when they are making out their programmes.

"Why mother, the girl is quoted as having said, 'every chair in the ladies' dressing room was piled high with corsets. Who wants to be a wall flower?'"

The subject came up when members of the club endorsed the stand taken by George S. Buck, principal of Short Ridge high school, who announced a ban on all school dances "until the ultra modern and indecent shimmy, camel walk, tickle toe, and cheek to cheek dances are discarded and the more dignified steps of a few years ago are restored to favor."

The club called on every woman's organization in the city to endorse the principal's position.

TEACHER OPENS BEAUTY PARLOR AND PAYS INCOME TAX. PARIS, Dec. 27.—Oscar N. Heath, formerly professor of English in an American high school, has discovered, after 20 years of teaching, that it is the outside of the head and not the inside that women wish to have "fixed."

The Paris edition of an American newspaper here says that he has abandoned his school work and opened a beauty parlor, and for the first time in his life he has paid income tax.

"It requires brains to think," he declares, "but it does not require brains to run a beauty parlor. I am going to devote the rest of my life to the beauty parlor."

"There are girls incapable of uttering a grammatical sentence who are earning \$50 a week in restaurants. All that they require for the position are a Mareed wave, massage, good clothes, and a smile."

Heath conceived the idea of a beauty parlor one evening when his wife had to telephone eight different establishments before she found one to attend to her.

WHEAT GROWERS' BODY PLAN TO WITHHOLD PRODUCT, REPORT

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 27.—The Wheat Growers association of America, which has been conducting a campaign to induce growers to withhold their wheat from the market until prices are higher, plans to have midwestern states so well organized within the next six months that the growers will be able to control the price paid for the 1921 wheat crop, according to W. H. McGreevy, secretary and treasurer.

The association now has a membership of approximately 100,000 in the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska, according to Mr. McGreevy, who has his headquarters here. The organization will be extended, he said, to Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

"The purpose of the National Wheat Growers association is to control the distribution and marketing of wheat through financial and selling agencies of its own selection at a price based upon cost, plus a fair and reasonable profit," said Secretary McGreevy.

CHEF'S CAFE 217 S. Rusk St. (Next to Liberty Theatre) "Hot Biscuit!" No doubt you have said often to a friend: "How I wish I could find a place where I could get good hot biscuits, like home."

Well, we have them—continuously from 11 a. m. to 9 p. m. and they are always Red Hot.—Everything else is the very best and the most reasonable to be found in Ranger.

LIBERTY THEATRE TODAY Mary Miles Minter —In "ROSEMARY CLIMBS THE HEIGHTS" Also Mack Sennett Comedy WHOSE LITTLE WIFE? —and— Hands Up —episode 5 PROGRAM CHANGED 25¢ DAILY

Gold Fish Sale —At— The Majestic Flower Shop This Week Only Globe and Two Fish 50c Phone 314 For New Years Flowers

LADIES— The ravages of icy wind and unclean dust play havoc with all complexions. Our Marinello and Burham methods of facials and bleaches adds so much to your personal charm. Your hair takes on new life, luster and beauty after our scalp treatment and rain water shampoo. And a permanent wave will make your hair dressing a pleasure. Shampoo \$.75 Facials 1.50 Manicure75 Shower Bath35 AMERICAN BEAUTY SHOP 207 S. Austin St. Phone 300 (Second door from Pine St.)

NEW MAJESTIC HOTEL Majestic Theatre Building 112 S. Rusk St. —With 45 newly furnished rooms, each with running hot and cold water and located in one of Ranger's most modern of buildings, this hotel shall strive in a most positive manner to meet the needs of their guests. —Remember—Our Rates are Moderate. The management knows Ranger and therefore wants to know you.

MAJESTIC THEATRE LOEW'S Big Vaudeville Acts "The Best Yet" Will Morrissey Presents "Buzzin' Around." On the Screen "The HoneyMoon Ranch" All-star Cast.

Today and Tuesday MAY ALLISON "ARE ALL MEN ALIKE?" THEY WERE ALONE IN HER STUDIO when he suddenly embraced her. Speechless with surprise she fought to free herself. His only action was to cover her face with kisses. She screamed—and then something happened, something that sent the unwelcome lover spinning on his ear. See May Allison in the thrilling romance of the artist colony of Greenwich Village, "Are All Men Alike?" The LAMB "TEMPLE OF THE PHOTOPLAY"

RIGHT TEMPLE NOW ADOLPH ZUKOR PRESENTS A GEORGE FITZMAURICE PRODUCTION "Idols of Clay" with Mae Murray and David Powell A Paramount Picture Filled with the thrill of "On with the Dance"; the lure of "The Right to Love"—and more. Also New Universal and Selznick News.

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IT'S BETTER HERE.

That the nationwide business depression has affected Ranger and the oil fields to some extent is admittedly true, if one compares the situation today with that of a year and more ago, when money was pouring into this section from all over the union, and being spent for development and building, with their resultant high wages and general prosperity.

But with that exception, he is "sittin' pretty," in comparison with business men in other localities. Elsewhere factories have closed, and there are no pay-rolls. Elsewhere agricultural products have dropped so that the farmers have no money with which to purchase goods.

There are Ranger's business houses fortunate. For Ranger's payrolls are virtually intact. Oil still holds its place at the top of the commodities market. The oil company employees, and the pipe line employees are still on the job.

Postoffice receipts all over the country showed a substantial decrease over those during the last holiday season. Ranger's showed an increase. And it has been said that postoffice receipts are an accurate barometer of business.

Japan with her usual effrontery calmly announces that she will negotiate a treaty with Washington which will nullify the California land laws. And it is not without the bounds of possibility that she will do so.

Japan herself has a similar law, the fact that the British possessions likewise but

her nationals without protest have no part in shaping this decision. Without, of course, knowing what motives of cowardice disguised by the name of diplomacy may induce acceptance of the Japanese demand, it would seem that the only way to handle these Oriental brethren is to tell them promptly, firmly and without any fuss that the United States can decide for herself and the states for themselves, what laws shall govern the little brown brothers.

Then if the Asiatic blowhards want a little action in the matter, there are plenty of lads who will be glad to undertake it with them, particularly if it is undertaken in some parts where a little aid to the morale can be obtained. As for the expense, we never will pay out on the last one, so a little more won't hurt much.

Fighting the liquor evil apparently is going to cost us so much more in the way of taxation than it used to when it was possible to get a drink that we hardly think we can afford any further reforms at this time.—Ohio State Journal.

Somebody is forever doing something for the farmer, but nobody seems to love the city flat dweller, upon whom the prosperity of the farmer largely depends. Chicago News.

Notwithstanding prohibition is here, there are still a few Americans who might begin the coming year very nicely by climbing aboard the water wagon.—Boston Transcript.

There may be some truth in the statements that King Constantine is rather democratic. He utterly refuses to resign.—Houston Post.

It may be remembered that Mr. Root got the Nobel peace prize in 1912—but it may not be remembered just how he got it.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Japan may not want to go to war with the United States, but if so, it is not because Japan is a conscientious objector.—Toledo Blade.

It's quite a step from the old milk pail to the new milk lunch, but the latter probably accomplishes much more good.—Indianapolis News.

Somehow Washington B. Vanderbilt would be more impressive if he did not talk so much.—Detroit Free Press.

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Little Bennis Note Book. Lee Pape.

Me and Puds Simkins was telegraphing to each other during the joggery 'essin yesterday by making noises with our ruler against our desk, the different sounds not meaning anything special but sounding as if they mite, and all of a sudden Miss Kitty sed, Benny Potts and Charles Simkins will remain an hour after school, I've stood that noise long enough.

Meaning the telegraphing, me thinking Aw heek, G gosh. And at recess Puds sed, I got a good idee how to get out of it. I got my pen-ife with me, lets meak back up in the room before recess is over and sharpin Miss Kittys pencils and wen she sees the swell points on hem and finds out who did it she wont nake us stay in.

Sounding like a pritty good of a idee, and we quick went up and there was 4 pencils on Miss Kittys desk including a red one, and Puds quick started to sharpin them, and the points all kepp on breaking off agen on account of him trying to be in such a hurry, and then I started to sharpin them and the points still kepp on breaking, me saying, Aw 'his is a hecky penite.

Which me and Puds didnt raise our hands for a wile to see if anybody elds wanted to take the credit, wich they didnt, so about the 4th time Miss Kitty asked, we raised our hands Puds saying, We wanted to surprize you. How nice, wen then Ill serprize you, sed Miss Kitty. Me thinking, G gosh, it werked after all, and Miss Kitty sed, Instead of remaining one hour you may oost remane 2. Wich we did.

DISARM? AFTER YOU, ALPHONSE!



RIPPLING RHYMES

Reformers are not satisfied with merely moderate success; if any triumph is denied, they wing their hands in black distress. The victory of yesterday forgotten is, as soon as won, while they plan out some drastic way to make another evil run.

The blemming flagon they have scrapped, and now they say the pipe must go; an earnest campaign has been mapped, to fill Dame Nicotine with woe. The Sunday train must cease to run before we've scored another year, or some reformer with a gun will rise and shoot the engineer. The Sunday paper must be banned, on Sundays autos must not chug, or sheriffs, with their writs in hand, will put offenders in the jug. They'll censor songs, they'll censor plays, they'll censor everything in sight, and strive, in forty-seven ways, to drape us all in snowy white. They will not interfere with me, for I'm so moral, anywhere; a shining halo you may see at any time above my brow. But much I fear those wearied guys, by laws galled, jaded and oppressed, in revolution yet will rise, and knock some statutes galley west. Reformers now are going strong, they look as though they'll never stop; but when Reaction comes along; just pause and hear the fireworks pop.

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NEW YORK WOMAN TO HEAD DETROIT POLICE BUREAU

Portrait of Miss Virginia Murray. Text: Miss Virginia May Murray, head of the Travelers' Aid Society of New York City, has been appointed head of the Detroit Woman's Police Bureau.

"Tinker Bob" Stories

by Carlyle H. Holcomb

IN THE SNOW BALL LAND. Tinker Bob was soon out of the bounds of the snow area and he and Lady Duck went on toward the South Land.

The beautiful Creature of the King's Desire was very faithful and was caring for them in the very best way. The clouds had passed away leaving the sky clear and the earth beautiful. They passed over the fields and the rivers. The storm being over they left the Geese far behind them.

"I wonder what that is I see way ahead of us. It looks like a field of snow," said Tinker Bob. Now, Lady Duck knew all about it, for many a time she had journeyed into the South Land, and many a time she had seen hundreds of fields that looked like fields of snow. "Quack, Quack," she said, "I have seen many of those before, and their beauty is grander than snow."

"But you haven't told me what it is," said Tinker Bob as he eagerly watched the wonderful sight. "I can't see how the snow can stay in one place so long and not in another," Tinker was puzzled.

As they approached closer and closer he was more surprised. "Look!" he exclaimed, "It's like as if the snow balls were tied on the end of sticks. I wonder who would do such a thing as that? It surely must be a job to tie a snow ball to a stick and make it stand up in the ground. It may be that the snow stays longer when you tie it on to sticks like that. But whoever owns that field surely has a lot of snowballs." To the King of the Forest this was a wonderful sight.

"Quack, Quack," Lady Duck laughed and laughed. "I've seen this sight many times, and I'm surely glad to see it again for it is the sign that we are nearing a warmer land."

Tinker Bob could not understand how it could be the sign of a warmer land when he saw snowballs tied on sticks that were stuck in the ground. "Look, who is that? There is a Creature that I have seen before," said the King, "he is sitting on one of those snowballs. I think I know that fellow, or I know his brother, or someone that looks like him."

"Quack, Quack," cried Lady Duck as they came closer to the great white field. "That is a fellow you have seen many times. He will be very much surprised to see you. He has stopped here to get something to eat before starting forth on his journey. Quack, quack, do you know him?"

Tinker Bob looked over the edge of the basket in silence for a moment. Then with great surprise it came to him who it was and he cried at the top of his voice, "Red Wing, Red Wing, Mr. Black Bird, come here. I am the King of the Forest, don't you know me?" Red wing surprised at hearing the King's voice, looked up and was glad.

CHICAGO POLICE TOO BUSY TAMING GUNMEN TO BOTHER ABOUT HIP-POCKET FLASKS

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Thirsty Chicagoans today were thanking the good Bacchus for their thirst and picking up the odd pint here and there in preparation to drinking the old year out and the new year in. Those whose cellars have been drained were able to purchase bonded liquors to lay for \$7 a pint. The decline in price from \$10 to \$7 remains a mystery. When he curious asks his pet bootlegger the reason, he is "stashed" and answered with a wink.

High Wind on Lake. A wild night on Lake Michigan on New Year's Eve followed the statement of Chief of Police Fitzmorris that those who carry liquor on their hips would not be molested by the police.

THE WOMAN WHO SAW

In the Toils.

It was in the Woman's favorite little French restaurant that she became aware of S. O. S. signals from a nearby table and recognized the nice, sympathetic girl librarian who breaks all the Public Library rules by "holding out" the books that she knows the Woman will want to read and that other people mistakenly think they ought to get first. The girl looked tired and distraught. Obviously caught in the toils of a middle-aged relative, she had been gay and independent and bohemian and all the other things that young metropolitan relatives are supposed to be, and now was visibly beginning to "run down."

"I asked Emily to take me to one of those gay, bohemian places, all full of celebrities like Ethel Barrymore and Elliott Root and authors and lounge lizards. I've seen them in the movies and they're too exciting for words. And I thought they'd have spaghetti—I've always wanted to see Caruso in a restaurant eating spaghetti. Still you mustn't feel badly. Emily, dear, for I am going to stay a week, and we'll go to a different place for every meal, and maybe we'll see some famous people yet."

In spite of Emily's obvious despair at the idea of finding a place where Root and Caruso fed side by side with Ethel Barrymore and Rex Beach, Aunt Cora seemed to enjoy herself fairly well. At the end of a copious repast she insisted on paying the check. "And I mustn't forget to fee the waiter—My, I always feel as if I ought to fee everybody in New York. Now, Emily—if you're ready—"

She rose and sailed out, driving her anguished niece before her after having deposited beside her plate a dime. The Woman wonders if Emily ever dared to suggest to Aunt Cora that if a dime is really a proper tip for a waiter the average New Yorker may be said not to fee, but to endow him.

Pretenders. "Everybody insists there is less snobishness since the world war," said the manager of one of those charming, expensive little shops full of knick-knacks, on Madison avenue, and she added: "I see no indication of it in the folks who bring me in pretty trifles to sell on commission. They are mostly women, and they invariably begin the transaction by saying that they are placing the things for a friend who was once well to do but is now obliged by reverses to do something to eke out a living."

"Yesterday a nice-looking elderly woman brought in samples of some very original pin cushions. Her introduction was in the same vein, and when I announced that I preferred to deal directly with the one who made the things, she demurred. "Quite impossible," she answered. "My friend would die rather than have it known that she is working. You see she isn't a business woman, so if you sell the things, send the check to me and I'll manage everything for her."

"The cushions were so attractive that I ordered six dozen. The quantity floored her. "Oh, I don't believe I could let you have so many," she gasped. "You see I have so little time, and I have to work secretly—I mean," she added flushing, "that my friend is so occupied with her family duties, etc."

"Now what I wonder is, does that woman think she deceived me and what was her reason for wishing to deceive? Pure, old-fashioned and persistent snobishness is the only explanation."

Strictly Speaking! Boswell Johnson, chieftain of countenance, solid ivory of head, presided at the switchboard as the Woman left on a trip to Brooklyn. Half way expecting a guest to dinner, she said to Boswell, fortifying her remarks with a bright new quarter. "I am going to Brooklyn, and expect to return at six sharp. If Miss Jones phones tell her I shall expect her to wait."

Boswell's eyes caught the gleam of the silver, and he registered understanding. At six sharp the Woman entered the foyer. Nothing but "Good evenin', Miss," from Boswell. "Anyone call for me?" casually inquired the woman, "Yassum * * * two ladies." Boswell started the elevator on its upward career, meditatively rubbing his chin the while. "But they didn't leave no message, Miss. * * * Yassum, two ladies called * * * one on de phone, an' one in posson."

Theory Versus Fact. The Woman, noticing the serious contemplation of his volume by the Earnest Student next her in the subway, fast an inquiring eye over her shoulder to see in what such intense interest was focused. The absorbing narrative proved to be "The World's End," by Thorstein Veblen. Some many matters there, reflected the Woman. And then there flashed across her mind a lazy vision of the recent summer. A beautiful summer afternoon, well-cut lawn, easy wicker chairs, handsome woman in white with a marvelous painted picture hat; good-looking young man in smart flannels—reading aloud. "The Theory of the Leisure Classes," by the same erudite author!

FIND \$2,100 IN STOCKING OF DEAD WASHERWOMAN. International News Service. CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The husband of Mrs. Alice Berkman, died some years ago. Mrs. Berkman, then almost 60 years old, almost immediately established herself in one room in Chicago's populous South Side and began eking out a sometimes precarious existence by going out to and taking in washings.

Recently while earning her daily bread over the tub, Mrs. Berkman fainted. All efforts to revive her failed. The police, upon being called, decided that it must be a Potter's field burial, when someone suggested to search the dead woman's effects.

The dead woman's stockings gave up \$2,100 in bills and a savings book on the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank showing deposits of \$2,000.

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JAPS MAY HAVE NAVAL BASE IN MEXICAN WATERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—A Japanese syndicate has secured an option on land bordering Magdalena Bay, in lower California, from Ramon Turbe, a relative of President Obregon, according to information received in Washington today. It was stated the site is suitable for a naval and submarine base.

This information, it is understood, was first published in a copyright dispatch in the Kansas City Post, which asserts that it was brought out of Mexico by an American in close touch with Mexican affairs. It was given to American officials for transmission to the State Department according to that newspaper.

Merle Smith, acting secretary of state, said that no information had reached the department and that it therefore could not be discussed.

Under the constitution of Mexico, Lower California is divided into seven distinct subdivisions.

Subdivision No. 7, which includes a section of Magdalena Bay, was filed on by Turbe, who on December 27, according to the information received here, leased the tract to the Japanese syndicate, ostensibly for development of its oil resources.

The contract, it is reported, was immediately filed with the Mexican department of the interior, and is subject to approval within twenty days of December 1st.

Section No. 3, it is stated, has been submitted to Alfred McKenzie, who represents British interests.

Sections No. 1 and 5 have been submitted to the Marland Oil company, controlled by J. W. Marland of Oklahoma.

The remaining three subdivisions still are held by Mexicans, according to the Kansas City Post.

BRAKEMAN'S HONESTY NETS HIM \$50,000 FRANCES

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Stocks, shares and securities, valued at \$2,000,000 were left unintentionally in a satchel in a railroad train by an American named Wessend, of New York. He became aware of his loss when registering at a hotel and reported it to the police.

Police Commissioner Oudaille, of the St. Lazare station, returned the satchel, with its contents intact, to Wessend this morning. A railroad brakeman had found the fortune while shunting cars at a siding.

Wessend gave to the brakeman a reward of \$50,000 francs.

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In the World of Sport

Centre Coach in Texas Inspecting Football Talent

FORT WORTH, Dec. 27.—One of the first questions asked by Ho McMillin, field general and main spring when he arrived here recently was: "What kind of condition is this here Douglas in?" When assured that the acting captain of the Horned Frogs was in the shape of his young life, he shook his head and observed: "He's a good man."

Ho knows. He played against Douglas in the latter was on Central HI team. Ho at that time was the star at North Side HI. But Ho's main remembrance of Douglas dates from a game that was played here last year during the holidays between the two teams of stars who were spending their holidays at home. McMillin, Montgomery, James and Red Weaver, who was the 1919 all-American center of Camp's team, were on the North Side all-star team, while Douglas, Myers and other T. C. U. men played with the opposition.

Chiefly because of Douglas and Ho's powerful defense as ranging center, his outfit was hard put to it to win two touchdowns. According to most football critics who saw the game, Douglas outplayed Weaver on the defense.

For these reasons, local football fans and those who are on the inside look for a great battle between Weaver and Douglas in the New Year's clash here between Centre and T. C. U. This one feature of the game should furnish many thrills.

McMillin's chief interest when he arrived here, after his inquiry about Douglas, was what sort of defense the Horned Frogs had against the passing game, admitting that he expected to rely upon the aerial attack to win. When assured that the local machine had been particularly effective against passes, the Centre quarterback smiled and said: "Well, if they can break up this game they can do something no other team has been able to do, not even Harvard."

Very few of the nine teams defeated by T. C. U. this year have resorted to passing. The tall, rangy backfield, with its four fast backs has been very effective in breaking up the overhead attack. Nig Dotson of Baylor, who is regarded as a great passer, can testify to this strength of the Frogs, as the Bears failed to complete a single pass in fourteen trips. Texas was equally helpless, as were Phillips of Missouri, Osteogary and other teams. Part of this box defense is involved in the fast, shifting line, which rushes the passer. Dutch Meyer, the Warboyl, is one of the best shifting defensive ends in the state, though not as fast as others.

McMillin says he will put the Praying Colonel in, seven days after the game at North Side HI against a strong independent club composed of North Side HI alumni. They will practice and scrimmage every afternoon including Friday. Tickets for the contest have been selling at such a rate that practically all the choice seats have been taken. Every seat in the reserve section between the twenty-yard lines has been sold.

MME. CARPENTIER HAPPY MOTHER.



Stamford Wants Berth in West Texas League

STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 27.—That Stamford wants a berth in the West Texas Baseball League was made evident today when the Stamford Chamber of Commerce wired J. Walter Morris, president of the association, that the business men were desirous of such connection. The action was taken at the weekly luncheon of the organization.

A committee has been appointed to investigate the situation as pertains to close-in grounds, cost of erection of ball park, grandstand and bleachers and report back to the chamber at the next week meeting.

Last year Stamford had a strong independent organization which played fourteen days consecutively with immense attendance and big dividends. The city also for several months had an intricate league of six teams which provided almost daily baseball here and paid well. With a team in the West Texas league, it was pointed out, Stamford would be able to finance its team and leave a margin. Business men expressed a desire for such a connection and declared they were willing to take large shares of stock.

TAD'S TID-BITS

(Written for the International News Service.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—If you look up the records of heavyweight champions you will find that every one of them, from Jim Corbett right down to Jack Dempsey, displayed extreme caution after he had won the highest honors in his division.

Sport writers are still trying to figure out why it was that Jack before. It's quite simple, if Sherlock Holmes had made the same deductions Watson would have chirped "Marvelous."

There is no doubt that Jack Dempsey was coming he had nothing to fear. Like Dempsey was not the rip roaring tiger against Brennan that he was Napoleon's soldiers who were invading Italy. "Everything they wanted was before them." They got it. So did Dempsey.

He tore into opponents with the recklessness of youth.

He slugged his way to the top. There was none to stop him.

He ripped his way past Morris, Smith, Levinsky, Pelky, Brennan, Flynn and Willard.

Then he was champion.

He was looked upon as the greatest man that ever held the title. Surely he proved himself the most daring slugger and hardest hitter that division had ever seen.

We figured that in the future he'd perform as he had in the past. Like all other champs in the big division, however, Jack began to worry. He had to think of his past and of his present title. His fight with Brennan was sort of a disappointment, although he won every minute of the bout and he was the aggressor throughout. Strange as it may seem, all champs put up punk bouts after winning the championship.

A Peek into the Records.

Look at Corbett. After winning from John L. Sullivan, he clinched the world heavyweight title by stopping Charley Mitchell. What did he do? He took Tom Sharkey on for an exhibition bout of four rounds in San Francisco and put up a fearful exhibition. His first real fight was with Fitzsimmons and he lost in fourteen rounds.

Mr. Fitzsimmons after he became cock of the walk did stage work, had his picture taken every day, waited and waited and finally picked up a sucker from the west by the name of Jeffries. Mind you, this was Fitz's first fight after he had beaten Corbett. He met Jeffries and was stiffened in eleven rounds.

Then we had Jeffries the champion.

The first man he met after winning the title was Tom Sharkey and Jeff barely escaped with his life after twenty-five rounds of milling. The referee declared Jeff the winner but to this day there are hundreds who claim that the sailor got the worst of the decision.

Jeff did nothing after that. He met Jack Monroe, Gus Rublin, Jim Corbett, Joe Kennedy and Hank Griffin—all men that he had fought before. His first real test was with Johnson and he was knocked out.

Lil' Arthur Fizzel With Flynn.

Johnson, after grabbing the big honors, made a miserable showing with Old Jim Flynn. The bout was stopped, but it was a second-class show. Then he took on Frank Moran and went the full twenty rounds, tiring badly at the finish, but winning the decision. A few exhibitions with second raters in his time before he met and lost to Willard.

What did the latter do after he got the title? He met Frank Moran at the Garden here and stumbled through ten rounds. He was declared the winner, but was handed no roses.

The first real man he met stopped him. That man was Dempsey.

Now, Watson, you got the angle, do you not?

It doesn't seem to be himself at all after he hits the crew of the road. He's the greatest of course, but he has more to think about than has the challenger.

Before the fight with Mike at Benton Harbor, Jack was a bit worried. He was afraid that his boxing might not be right. He figured that his long lay-off might make him wild and unsteady. He didn't fight at all in the first round. He seemed content to box with Mike and see how things were. In the second he seemed satisfied with himself, however, and let out a bit. In the third, sure that he was the Dempsey of old, he left fly with his batteries and Billy was taken off.

Brennan, however, was a much better man than Mike.

Brennan must be given a cheer.

There are 100,000 girls between the ages of 12 and 18 in the Girls' Reserve Corps of the Y. W. C. A. in the United States and Honolulu.

X-RAY USED TO SHOW DEFECTS IN AIRPLANE PARTS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—An up-to-the-minute application of X-rays in used in airplane construction to show up defective materials, workmanship and weak metal castings, which would otherwise escape the observation of an inspector, according to John S. Shearer of Cornell, in speaking here on "Recent Advances in the Production and Application of X-rays."

"Grains of wood in airplane parts are brought out remarkably," he said, "and it is easily discernible where two different woods have been joined together, a point of construction prohibited in airplane work. Knots in the wood are also shown up, as is unsatisfactory gluing together of parts."

"Electric heater coils are inspected by X-rays and the plates show the manufacturer where air has caused the insulation of the coil to disintegrate, and where the wire will eventually break."

Women are employed as window cleaners in Berlin and are paid at the rate of \$4 a week.

Cards Manager Will Tour Texas Booking Games

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—The next tour for Branch Rickey will take the Cardinals' manager through Texas. This journey is not scheduled to start until the next year, as Rickey announced that he was home for the holidays to act as Santa Claus for his family.

During the New Year meeting last week the National league magnates wanted Rickey to deposit something like \$100,000 in the Cardinals' spring training fund. Rickey refused to do so, but he did agree to contribute \$10,000 to the fund.

The Cardinals' new training camp is Orange, Texas. The results have been ordered to report next Feb. 20, while the regulars will assemble on March 1.

OWDOW SEKS RETURN TITLE FIGHT WITH JOHNNY WILSON

ST. PAUL, Dec. 27.—Mike O'Dowd, former middleweight boxing champion, has announced that he will pay \$5,000 in cash out of his own pocket to Johnny Wilson, who won the middleweight title last spring for a fifteen-round return match with Wilson.

O'Dowd, who Saturday returned to his home here from the East, said that Fight Promoter Tex Rickard had offered Wilson \$35,000 for a match with the former champion.

In addition to the \$5,000 "bonus," O'Dowd said he would give Wilson \$1,000 if the latter beat him in a return fight.

GIANT FANS WILL VENTILATE HUDSON RIVER TUNNELS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A puzzled public in New York and New Jersey—and in other parts of the country—has been wondering how the master minds now designing the gigantic project of the wagon and auto tunnel under the Hudson propose to keep the air clear.

Clifton M. Holland, chief engineer for the New York Bridge and Tunnel commission and the New Jersey Interstate Tunnel commission, under whose joint auspices the tunnel will be built, supplied the answer today.

"There is hardly a day that passes," said Mr. Holland, "that I am not asked how we expect to keep the tunnel from being filled with gas from the constant stream of automobiles that will pass through this 9,000 foot long below-the-river passage.

"The answer is simple. We propose to force fresh air into the tunnel and draw the foul air out of it precisely as is being done every day in any big building, such as an auditorium, where thousands of persons are congregated, only on a much vaster scale, of course.

"The tunnel will be 9,000 feet long, but the points of ingress and egress of fresh and foul air will not be separated that distance.

"There will be four huge shafts, or chimneys, leading into the tunnel which will be 3,400 feet apart at the farthest. At the top of these shafts there will be big power houses with fans which will supply ventilation much as it is furnished in the mines. There will be two kinds of fans, 'blower fans' and 'exhaust fans,' the former forcing air into the tunnel, and the latter drawing the bad air out of it.

"By this system the air in the tunnel will be changed at least once every two minutes."

LADY GEDDES QUITS CAPITAL OPERA IN ANGER OVER ERIN



WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—So bitter is the feeling in Washington over the British atrocities in Ireland that it has spread from Congress into dramatic and official society.

Lady Geddes, wife of the British Ambassador, has resigned as a patroness of the Washington opera to show her displeasure with Mrs. Peter Drury, hostess to Mrs. Terence MacSwiney.

The British flag was immediately eliminated from the Allied emblems used in decorating Poll's theatre for the opening.

MOUNTED POLICE TURN BACK MAD RUSH OF PROSPECTORS TO NEW OIL FIELDS IN CANADA

Many Adventurers Attempt to Set Forth Over Frozen Trails to North With Outfits and Food Supplies Entirely Inadequate For Journey.

International News Service.
 EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 27.—Enforcing the grubstake ordinance of the old Yukon gold stampede, Royal Northwest Mounted Police are turning back prospectors heading for the Mackenzie river. With winter closing in, hundreds of adventurers have set out with pack-trains and dog-sleds for the new oil field at Fort Norman to stake claims before the expected rush starts in the spring. The police are overhauling these argonauts on the trails of the North and forbidding all to continue the foolhardy journey who are not physically fit to withstand the rigors of an Arctic winter or who are not adequately provisioned.

Police precautions may prevent repetition of the tragedies that marked the rush to the Yukon and the Klondike in the gold excitement of 1896. Edmonton was the fitting out point for many of the gold seekers. Few reached their destination. Disheartened by hardships, many turned back. Scores met death and their whitened bones are found from time to time on the wilderness trails.

All signs point to an unprecedented rush to Fort Norman in the spring. Every berth on steamers on Puget, Athabasca and Slave rivers has been engaged already. The Peace river branch of the Canadian Pacific railway is preparing to transport thousands to points of river embarkation. Many prospectors, it is said, plan to make the entire journey from Edmonton overland by wagon.

The excitement, which is the greatest that has swept the northland since Klondike days, is due to the recent sensation-

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HAS MOONSHINER LOST HIS "SHOOTING EYE?" ASKS STILL HUNTER IN KENTUCKY DISTRICT

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 27.—Raids upon moonshine stills in the mountain of Kentucky have become bloodless, according to government agents who recently conducted one of the most important raids in years.

Whether the "shooting eye" of the mountaineer or the secret service agent has become dimmed or whether the desire for less killing has reached into the far mountain recesses, is a disputed point, but the fact remains that twelve revenue agents raided and destroyed eight large stills in Whitley county, fired numerous shots, were fired at numerous times, but so far as is known, not a casualty was recorded.

Standing in clumps of sparse shrubbery on the top of knobs along Laurel Fork in Whitley county, sentries posted apparently by moonshiners watched the operations of federal prohibition officers during the recent sensational raid in the "South America" section of Whitley county, according to members of the party. The raiders from the office of Chief Field Deputy U. G. McFarland were reticent about the battle reported to have raged about the stills. "There wasn't a thing to it," they were unanimous in saying. "We just went in there and destroyed eight stills. There were a lot of shots fired but how many of them were fired at us we don't know. That was all there was to it."

The raiders from the local office were Steve Cornet and Charles Winfree, who were the leaders of the raid. J. H. Reynolds and Joe Cavanaugh. They were accompanied by Sheriff Renfro of Whitley county and seven deputies.

Steve Cornet, after some persuasion, told of the raid. "We left Williamsburg on the morning of Dec. 3 and went via Holden, Tenn., the nearest railroad point, into the section of Whitley county known to the natives as 'South America,'" he said. "We hunted there for stills in the hollows of Laurel Fork and Olean Fork, sources of the Cumberland river. We destroyed eight stills in all."

"The first still destroyed was one owned by DeWitt Gibson. We arrested the three Gibson boys without any trouble. They were at their home. The next still we believe belonged to a man named Williams. The next two destroyed were owned by persons whose names we could not ascertain. We had no trouble the first day although quite a number of shots were fired in the distance. I could not say positively that

the shots were fired at us, but think that possibly they were signals to warn the countryside that raiders were about. We could see men standing on the top of the knobs where they could see the road winding around the banks of Laurel Fork, which I believe is the crookedest stream in the world. Sometimes it is hard to tell which way it runs.

"The second day we continued the search along the Laurel Fork. It was at this time that the nearest to any real trouble occurred. We left an old man named Parsons and another man to guard the mouth of a hollow while we searched it. Just after we left the guards, a mountaineer popped out from behind a tree, fired several shots at the guards with a pistol and ran.

"We gave chase firing as we ran. The man fell but when we searched we could find no trace of him. This led to one of the amusing incidents of the trip. During the chase we found two stills of which we had had no inkling. The man led my party directly to an 80-gallon still which we destroyed. Another section of the party, we had become divided during the chase, found the second still on the opposite side of the hill from that down which the fugitive ran. We did not find out who owned either still.

"We then went up a hollow where we found another still. This was a rough hollow, and we had to climb over boulders and hang on to trees to get to the still. We then started in the opposite direction. Two miles down another rough hollow we found the last still destroyed.

"A lot of shots were fired on the second day by both natives and ourselves, but nobody was hurt."

Mr. Cornet could not say how much whiskey or beer was destroyed. "We

Mexico Stirred by Reports of Diamond Mines

By LOUIS P. KIRBY
International News Service Staff Correspondent.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—Finders of "diamond mines" are numerous, but the diamonds have not yet appeared in the market here and no Barney Berinato has arrived to dazzle the capital with his sudden opulence.

One tale told here is that a great diamond field has been found near the border of the states of Sonora and Sinaloa. This field is as vast in extent as the world-famous field in South Africa. But that is not all. The diamonds are as valuable as any the world has seen. They are large, gleaming and almost ready to be put into rings, necklaces and other ornaments. There will be little toil for diamond cutters, as nature has done almost all of the work.

Another story comes from the state of Guerrero. It reads like the voracious prospectus of the Consolidated Wildcat Diamond corporation. This is it:

A famous geologist—too well known to be named—has found the diamond mine from which General Guerrero took sparkling gems and presented them to Emperor Augustin, who, before he became a monarch, was General Augustin Iturbide.

General Guerrero told no one the secret of the location of his diamond mine and died with the secret unrevealed.

But the well-known geologist—name not mentioned—put two and two together and walked straight to General Guerrero's mine. Diamonds were everywhere, a mass of gems equaling in value the fortune of any nabob.

The well-known geologist, after telling of the diamonds, went on his way to look for something else.

GENERAL BOSSE'S FAMILY FLEEING FROM BOLSHEVIKI



Mine Anna Bosse, wife of a general with General Wrangel's forces in Crimea, photographed in Philadelphia, where she is staying with her two children, Gourey (left) and Valerie. Mine Bosse fled from Odessa in the face of the Bolshevik advance, taking her children with her. After many hardships months.

Bogus War Ace Gets Wife and \$2,000 in Cash

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 27.—After posing as Eddie Hickenbacker, the famous "American ace," and marrying Frances Hannon, one of Jacksonville's prettiest society girls, and victimizing several men of hundreds of dollars, an unidentified man departed for parts unknown, taking with him his bride of two days and cash, estimated at more than \$2,000.

The impostor was entertained at clubs and social functions. He arrived in Jacksonville several days ago, and two days afterward he met Miss Hannon, daughter of a business man, and they announced their engagement the same night. They went to St. Augustine, where they were married.

While here he signed a contract with W. M. Farans, said to be sales manager of a brass manufacturing company of Philadelphia, appointing him manager of the Stutz Motor Car company at \$25,000 a year. After the appointment was accepted the impostor borrowed \$1,000 from Farans.

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this and released Lichten, who refused, citing Lichten was mentally deficient however, to repay them by telling his and a nuisance will not try to find the story. men who sewed him up. Lichten will Chief of Police Harry E. French, de-leave for Philadelphia.

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Blow Out Gas on Wedding Night; Saved By Police

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Delele Pergar, 21, of West Frankfort, Ill., a bride of a day, was taken to the City hospital early this morning from a rooming house conducted by her cousin, Grace Bergen, suffering from gas poisoning.

Her husband, Frank, was seriously affected, and was permitted to remain at the rooming house.

Mrs. Pergar told a reporter that they came to St. Louis yesterday on their honeymoon, after being married in Belleville and were given a room at her cousin's place. They retired at 6:30 p. m., after Frank had blown out the gas light.

Police searching the neighborhood for a suspect in a shooting affair awakened them at 3 a. m. today. The couple suspected practical jokers and refused to open the door.

Because of the strong odor of gas the police insisted on gaining admission and when they did so, found Mrs. Pergar visibly affected by the gas. Her condition was pronounced not serious by City hospital physicians.

Mrs. Pergar said she and her husband had smelled gas during the night but didn't know where it was coming from and paid no attention to it.

"I didn't keep track of it," he said. The prisoners taken by the raiders were taken to Pineville and warrants sworn out for a number of other men. The warrants were left in the hands of Sheriff Renfro and his men for service.

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