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BIBLE THOUGHT
 Pure religion and undefiled be-
 God and the Father is this,
 visit the fatherless and widows
 their affliction, and to keep
 unspotted from the world.
 James 1:27.

Ranger Citizens Will Work to Keep Ranger To the Fore

A meeting of the committee of three appointed Tuesday night at the board of directors meeting in the Chamber of Commerce offices to formulate plans for a city wide drive to interest everyone in Ranger in commercial organization work will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The committee, composed of Ed Maher, Dr. H. A. Logsdon and W. W. Housewright, will draw up tentative plans and submit them to the board at the next regular meeting.

The aim of the board of directors is to acquaint every able-bodied person in Ranger with the work of the Chamber of Commerce and to secure an active membership of the town citizenry.

Neighboring cities have spent large amounts of money for commercial organization work during the past year and in recent budgets have materially increased their appropriation for the coming year. This is the direct result of Chamber of Commerce work in advertising the towns and of their endeavor to see their towns in the forefront of all activities in this section of the state. Ranger is recognized as being the best town in the oil fields and has shown steady industrial growth.

Within the next five years one of the oil belt towns will be on the highway towards the goal of the leading town in North Central Texas and as Ranger is already recognized as the best economically and industrially it behooves the citizens of the town to keep it in the lead.

Society AND THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN RANGER

FRIDAY EVENTS
 Young Matrons Bridge club meets at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. John Shannon.

MANY RANGER COUPLES ATTEND THURBER DANCE
 The annual New Year's eve dance at Thurber clubhouse was one of the most brilliant ever held in this section and was attended by approximately one hundred couples. The decorations were unusually beautiful, a large quantity of Southern smilax converting the hall into a veritable bower. This delicate green vine was festooned from the ceiling and walls, and twined around the pillars and chandeliers. All lights were shaded with red and under them were suspended hundreds of balloons of red and white. An eight-piece orchestra from Dallas furnished inspiring music. At the midnight hour horns, confetti and streamers made their appearance and sandwiches were served. Punch was offered throughout the evening. There were many handsomely gowned women at the dance, and the majority of the men were in formal evening dress. Visitors were present from Dallas, Fort Worth, Mineral Wells, Breckinridge, Eastland, and other cities. Some those attending from Ranger were Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Harkrider, Dr. Carl Wilson, Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. F. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cooze, Mr. and Mrs. James Gullane of Colorado Springs, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shaw, Messrs. Jack Shugert, Mel Shugert, Ernest Fletcher and Charles Mead.

CHICAGO RICH ARE ASSURED CONFIDENCE MAN HAS AMENDED WAY

By United Press.
 CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—In addition to Chicago's promise of prosperity in 1925, the wealthy of the city have received good news with the announcement by Joseph "Yellow Kid" Well, confidence operator de luxe, that they are to be safe from him in the future. The "Kid" is growing honest and will be a banker henceforth, he says.

"The new year will see me changed from the old life," says the message. "It used to be that anybody with \$10,000 was in danger of losing it to me. Now it is all changed. I am going to be honest and nobody is in danger. I have been offered a job as vice president of a good bank and have decided to accept."

But the "Kid" must first face indictment of a charge of having swindled Herman Cutler of Hamilton, Ohio, out of more than \$37,000, his last confidence operation.

In front of New York city's famous public library at Fifth avenue and 42nd street an electrically lighted sign has been set up by the police department to warn "jay walkers." It shows Death waiting and carries the question "Are you mine?" The light behind the picture and wording is automatically switched on and off so as to catch the attention of pedestrians and warn them of the danger of careless crossing of the street. Similar signs are to be erected at other points about New York.

LEON TROTSKY KILLED BY ASSASSINS SAYS BUCHAREST REPORT

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Unconfirmed reports in circulation, says a report from Bucharest, are that Leon Trotsky, Russian minister of war, has been assassinated.

The Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says it is insistently reported there that Trotsky has been completely crushed and is interned in a Moscow palace.

RANGER DEMOLAYS TO MEET.
 A meeting of the Ranger chapter Order of Demolays has been called for tomorrow night at the Masonic hall at 7 o'clock and all members are urged to be present. All officers are required to be present tomorrow night as a reorganization will take place affecting the personnel of the various offices.

Chicago is to have a new electric generating station which it is stated will be the largest in the world. This station, now being built by Chicago's electric service company will be the ninth operated by that company which already has equipment capable of generating 758,140 (1,010,850 horse-power) kilowatts of electrical energy.

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THE YEAR 1925.
 The year 1925 should prove a happy and prosperous year for the United States. The year opens most hopefully. Increased values of stocks have added many millions to the wealth of industry; farmers as a rule are prosperous; railroads must have a tremendous quantity of new rolling stock and extensions to meet the increasing demands; our public utility builders were never so active, automobile business never so promising; the steel business never had brighter prospects—and the mechanic seems assured of steady employment. International relations are peaceful, political conditions at home will not materially affect the proposed business administration, and on the whole everything has a decidedly healthy appearance.

Ranger Postcard Campaign Bringing Pronounced Results

Distribution of the 25,000 postcard circulars of the Chamber of Commerce by Ranger merchants is progressing favorably. C. C. Patterson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, said. Approximately 20,000 of them have been enclosed in correspondence of Ranger merchants to out of town firms.

That they are producing results is shown by a number of letters received from people from different points in the United States seeking information regarding the natural resources of the town and pertaining to their particular line of business. These letters have all been answered and it is the belief of Mr. Patterson that several new concerns will locate in Ranger shortly.

MRS UNDERWOOD HOSTESS TO AD LIBITUM CLUB.

Owing to absence from the city of many club members there was a small gathering Wednesday when Mrs. Underwood entertained for the club. High score prize was won by Mrs. Tolland and cut prize by Mrs. W. C. Palmer. Seasonable and delicious refreshments were served. The next hostess will be announced later.

PRIVATE DANCE AT GHOLSON HOTEL WEDNESDAY.

A group of Ranger business men entertained Wednesday evening with a private dance at the Gholson hotel which was attended by about 25 couples. An eight-course supper was served during the dance and a five-piece negro orchestra furnished the music. The supper was served in the hotel dining room and music also provided by the hotel.

ELKS CLUB HAS JOLLY NEW YEARS EVE DANCE.

One of the largest gatherings of the year was, present New Years eve at the dance given by the Elks club in their own hall. Several hundred were present and enjoyed the dancing to music by the Brownwood troubadours. At the midnight hour horns, whistles, serpets and confetti were liberally scattered among the crowd and dancing continued until the wee small hours.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Pearsall of the Tee Pee camp are rejoicing in the arrival of a son, who was born Dec. 30. The youngster weighed eight pounds and has been named John Francis.

Dr. H. A. Logsdon has returned from a Christmas holiday visit in Oklahoma. Mrs. Logsdon will remain a few more days with her parents there.

Mr. and Mrs. Saunders Gregg and sons, Lewis and Saunders Jr., returned Wednesday morning from a visit to relatives in Kilkore.

Mrs. D. C. Boggs of the Cole building, who has been quite ill, is better and able to be up again.

Miss Gussie Lou Reed of Dallas, arrived Wednesday to visit her former school friend, Mrs. Lloyd Eldridge.

Mrs. Rex Thomas Sr., who lived at Tiffin, but visited frequently in Ranger, has moved to Weatherford, where her husband is engaged in business.

Mrs. Max Wiesen of Big Spring is visiting her son, Joe Wiesen, for a few days.

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THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND NEVER SUSPECT IT
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An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview of the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test the great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

ENDS ARE YOUR CAPITAL.

Make friends and stick to them. A man can hope to do much without friends and no man can expect to rise if he depends upon the ends of his friends.

Most business failures are due to a lack of friendship. A man is afraid to grasp opportunity and goes off to consult a friend who doesn't know the proposition at all, and he is discouraged because his friend hesitates to give a favorable opinion.

Don't listen to folks who tell you you can't do this or can't do that—if you have any confidence in yourself or in the proposition go to it to win.

Make friends with business people. Business men have faith in young men who are not afraid to take a chance and make a determined effort. Meet your obligations promptly. Your banker, instead of being a hard-fisted, hard-headed watch-dog over a vault full of money, is more concerned with the integrity and integrity of folks. It's business to know human nature, his eyes are always on the young man who is not afraid to take a chance, who will make the responsible business man and bank customer tomorrow.

All business is grounded upon the confidence of man in man, and most bankers are eager to help the right kind of young men.

Don't think you will ever become affluent that you can afford to stop making friends. Don't be afraid to help the other fellow and don't be discouraged by ingratitude.

Ford engineers have secured leases on vast tracts of mineral lands in Custer county, Idaho, and tons of great machinery are being moved on the location preparatory to extensive development work. It is stated that a force of 40 men will be employed in drilling for mineral locations. Vast deposits of lead, silver, gold and copper are known to exist in this territory and it is believed the state is on the eve of an era of vigorous development.

According to reliable estimates, bonuses aggregating \$50,000,000 were distributed in New York as Christmas gifts, of which the greater proportion goes to clerks and workers in the financial district. Wall street has had the most prosperous Christmas season since the inflation boom of 1919-20, and it is conservatively estimated that the foreign loans and domestic bond issues, at 2 per cent underwriting commission has netted the bankers and brokers more than \$125,000,000—all of which some one has to pay, of course.

RANGER ROTARY CLUB JOINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Ranger Rotarians at their regular weekly luncheon at the Gholson hotel yesterday, decided to take out a membership in the Chamber of Commerce for the Rotary club and commended the work of C. C. Patterson, secretary for the last five months.

The Rotary club today is practically 100 per cent strong as individual members in the Chamber of Commerce and the action was taken in view of endorsing the drive to be made later on to acquaint every person in Ranger with the commercial organization's work and to get additional members.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES BLAMED FOR SUICIDE

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 1.—Financial difficulties were believed responsible for the suicide of Julio Tronznier, 20, University of Pittsburgh student said to be connected with a prominent family of Bolivia, South America. The body was found in his hotel room last night.

Before committing suicide he wrote a letter to a schoolmate declaring he did not want to see the new year.

BOY ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

ALVIN, Jan. 1.—Killed by the accidental discharge of his shotgun, the body of Jesse Mills, 16, teamster, was found in the bed of his wagon on the highway this afternoon. Mills is the second victim of the hunting season here.

Noise of the riveter's hammer may some day be no more, if the signs point true. Fort much of the technical discussion at the last meeting of the American Welding Society in Cleveland centered on the use of electric arc welding in fabrication of steel structures. And as no other activity of the modern city is more nerve racking than the incessant rattat-tat of the riveter's hammer, there will be no tears shed when that staccato sound gives way to arc welding and the silent work of electricity.

Mother: Grace, darling, run and call Fido, will you?
 Grace: I don't see how I can mummy, 'cos I aren't speakin' to Fido since he broke my doll!—Progressive Grocer.

NOT GUILTY.
 Tramp (to woman at back door): Lady, I lost me leg, an' I thought perhaps you—
 Lady: Well, I haven't it here.—The Progressive Grocer.

Although the use of electricity upon the farm is still in the experimental stage already one farmer in fifty in the United States has his farm equipped so that he may utilize electric service both for domestic and agricultural tasks.

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VISITOR HAS RECOLLECTIONS OF LINCOLN

Charles L. Corneau, Now in Eastland, Once Neighbor of Former President.

Charles L. Corneau, who, with his wife, is visiting their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Wilson, and her family at 612 West Plummer street, Eastland, was born in Springfield, Ill., the home of Abe Lincoln, and knew Lincoln and his family before they left Springfield for Washington following Lincoln's election to the presidency. He was also living in Springfield and working as a messenger boy when the news came of Lincoln's death and carried the death message to Lincoln's brother-in-law. He also carried the news dispatches to the newspapers of Springfield.

Mr. Corneau, who is 76 years old, but hale and hearty for one of his years, has a splendid memory and tells some very interesting incidents of the life of Lincoln and his family when he knew them.

Neighbors in Springfield. "My family and that of Lincoln lived within two blocks of each other in Springfield," Mr. Corneau said, "and we children, especially Robert, Lincoln and myself, often played together and attended school together. Robert was older than I."

Mr. Corneau remembers seeing Mr. Lincoln often and heard him debate with Stephen A. Douglas during their campaign for the presi-

dency. He saw him as he was riding in a carriage to the depot when he was leaving Springfield to go to Washington to take the oath as president of the United States.

Mr. Corneau says that an uncle of his living in Springfield at the time Lincoln lived there owned a drug store that was a favorite gathering place for the men of the town, who congregated there for the purpose of discussing the news of the day and especially politics. His uncle, Mr. Corneau said, was a democrat and supported Douglas for president, but he was also a warm personal friend of Lincoln and kept a life-size statue of Lincoln in his store. "I remember that on one occasion I was in the store and there was a crowd present discussing the presidential campaign and I cheered for Douglas. My uncle called me to the rear of the store and gave me a lecture and warned me not to do that again in his presence. A short time after that I met Mr. Lincoln on his way from his office to his home and greeted him with 'Hurrah for Lincoln.' He had heard of the incident of my cheering for Douglas and my uncle giving me a lecture, and smiled and thanked me and gave me a dime."

One On Lincoln. Mr. Corneau tells a story of his uncle having placed a skeleton in his drug store to scare away the boys who were in the habit of going there for drinking water. Mr. Lincoln, who was tall and very slender, was laughing at the boys one time about becoming frightened and running away from the store and one youngster in the crowd spoke up and said, "We know you. You are the skeleton that was back there by the water bucket, but you have your clothes on now."

Although he knew the Lincoln family quite well, Mr. Corneau says he doesn't remember much about any of them except Mr. Lincoln and Robert. He was present when Lincoln's body was brought home for burial, but he doesn't remember seeing any member of the family after they left Springfield for Washington.

Mr. Corneau, who is a railroad man, having entered that service in 1866, is agent for the Wabash railroad at Litchfield, Ill., a town of 7,000 population and is away on a vacation that will keep him here the remainder of the winter.

Mr. Corneau was present at the democratic national convention when William Jennings Bryan made his famous "crown of thorns and cross of gold" speech and won the democratic nomination for president.

REFERRED TO THE JURY

There is a certain youngster who isn't going to be subpoenaed as a witness any more by a certain lawyer. One case is enough to lose.

The local youth was on the witness stand, when the lawyer started in to examine him.

"Have you an occupation?" asked the attorney.

"None."

"Don't you do any work of any kind?"

"None."

"What does your father do?"

"Nothin' much."

"Doesn't he do anything to support the family?"

"Odd jobs once in a while."

"As a matter of fact, isn't your father a worthless fellow, a dead-beat and a loafer?"

"I don't know," the witness replied. "You better ask him; he's sittin' over there on the jury."

From the Christian Evangelist.

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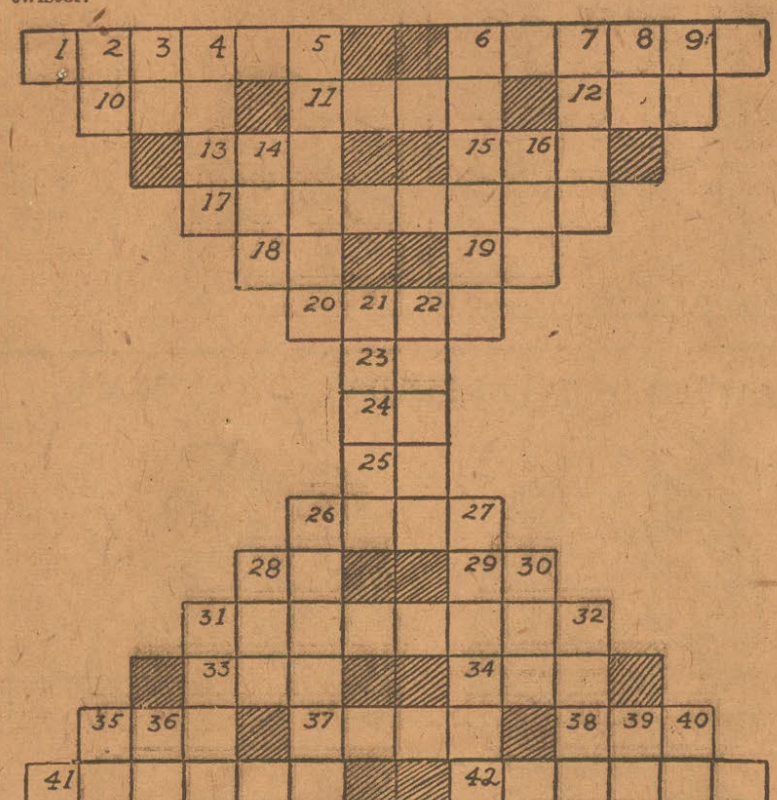
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Today's Cross-Word Puzzle

THE HAPPY HOUR GLASS—Twister No. 64. By J. C. BOYD

THIS is an hour-glass, but you ought to be able to do the puzzle in less time than that. There are only forty-seven words hidden in to-day's diagram. Can you discern the proper synonyms at the rate of three a minute? Below are the definitions—horizontal and vertical—for the words contained in the puzzle. See to-morrow's paper for the answer to this twister.



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| HORIZONTAL | VERTICAL |
| 1—column. | 26—impertinent |
| 6—small, swiveling wheel | 28—conjunction |
| 10—ocean. | 29—upon |
| 11—melody | 31—method of travel |
| 12—heavy piece of wood | 33—eagle of the sea |
| 13—front of an army | 34—ingredient of soap |
| 15—holy woman (abbr.) | 35—before |
| 17—devoted | 37—woolly plant |
| 18—perform | 38—part of body |
| 19—note of scale | 41—slight puffs |
| 20—created | 42—sum of money |
| 23—leave | |
| 24—inside | |
| 25—behold | |
| | 27—shaped with an instrument |
| | 28—to row |
| | 30—negative |
| | 31—chain of rocks below water surface |
| | 32—ravine |
| | 35—exclamation of inquiry |
| | 36—New England state (abbr.) |
| | 39—name of a letter |
| | 40—Southern state (abbr.) |

DEATH RATE IN UNITED STATES DROPS DURING 1924

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The death rate in the United States dropped 4 per cent during 1924, according to the vital statistics of 61 cities reported today to the department of commerce. The cities, having populations aggregating 27,000,000 reported a mortality rate of 125 for each 10,000 population during the first 51 weeks of this year, compared to 130 for the same period last year.

Want Ads Will Pay

GOODBYE 1924

HELLO 1925

We Greet You

Welcome to the New Year—Goodbye to the old year. The old year was good—we hope the new year will be better. We are going to do our best to make it a BETTER year for our patrons. Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we recount the dealing of 1924 with our patrons. We appreciate you and we wish sincerely that—

The New Year Will Bring New Happiness

to you and to your entire household. If we can add to your pleasure it will be a joy for us to do so.

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EASTLAND

One Block North of Connellee Theatre

LOWLY PEANUT MAY RIVAL COW FOR ITS MILK

Negro Chemist Makes It Into 145 Foods and Useful Articles.

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Dec. 31.—Work of determining just how many different uses can be found for the peanut and the potato goes on in the laboratory at Tuskegee institute, under the direction of Dr. George Washington Carver, negro chemist, who in recognition of his splendid work received a fellowship in the Royal Society of Great Britain. Recently a corporation has been formed at Atlanta to market some of Dr. Carver's products.

Dr. Carver has made 145 foods and useful articles from the lowly peanut. In addition to this he has performed wonders with the yellow yam sweet potato and extracted dyes from clays and southern soils.

Dr. Carver's research work has been so marked that when the house of representative was considering the imposition of a tariff on peanuts he was called to testify before them. Included in the articles which he has listed to be made from the peanut are peanut butter, 10 varieties of milk, five kinds of breakfast food, two grades of flour, ice cream, candy, salad oils, bisque, "Worcestershire" sauce, chili sauce, oleomargarine, cheese, four kinds of cattle food, and other things not edible, such as wood stains, leather dyes, metal polishes, axle grease, toilet and laundry soap, ink, tannic acid and glycerin.

A cup of peanuts can be made into a pint of milk "as rich as that of the cow," he said, adding: "It is rich, creamy, and palatable. It contains three times as much carbohydrate, three times as much protein and 12 times as much fat as cow's milk, with only one-tenth as much water."

He has produced 107 different products from the yam, including ginger, tapioca, flour, breakfast food and cattle food, besides many others.

TWO DALLAS WOMEN HURT IN AUTOMOBILE COLLISION

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—Mrs. M. L. Fletcher, 57, was perhaps fatally injured and her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Store, sustained minor injuries when their car collided with another machine here today.

ALLEGED EMBEZZELER HELD.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—H. C. Wilson, said to be wanted in Dallas on a charge of embezzling \$35,000 from George Sedera, an insurance man, was held in jail here awaiting Texas officers. Wilson said that he would waive extradition.

May the Spirit of

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO THE BIG FAMILY OF THIS "OLD RELIABLE" GARAGE

To know that we have given you the best of our ability in conscientious service and true values always brings peace of mind and satisfied hearts.

As we look to the New Year we are thinking and planning of better means to please you and to enlarge our "family circle" of pleased patrons.

WEST SIDE GARAGE

EASTLAND

For the Gift of Your Patronage We Thank You

On this occasion we accept the opportunity to thank you for your gift to us—your patronage—and your confidence.

We wish you a full measure of joy and give you the assurance now that on every day of 1925 we shall continue our labors for you to the end that we may assist in making it a Happy NEW YEAR.

May every happiness be yours and may it be our privilege and pleasure to serve you in the future.

The full capacity of this business and its entire organization is at your command.

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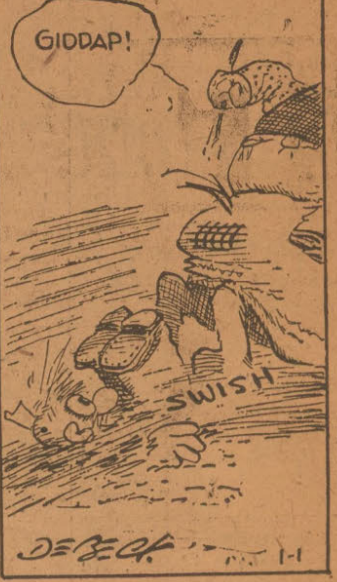
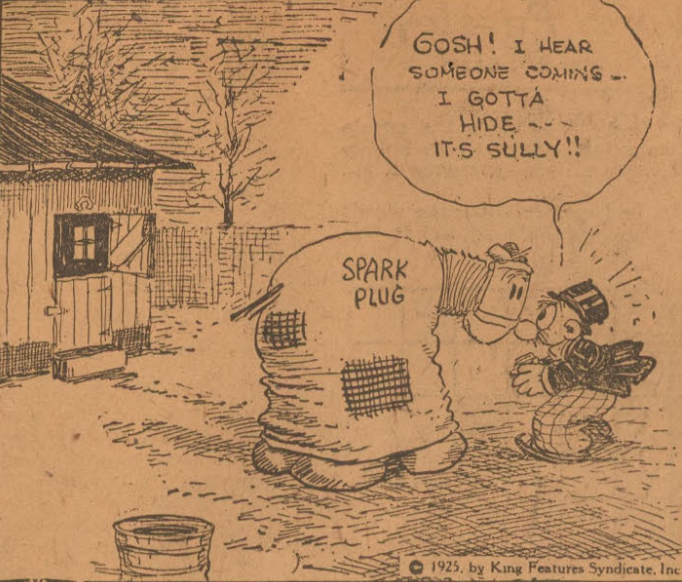
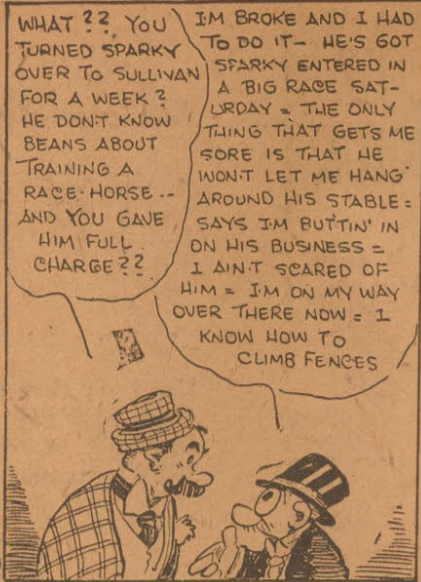
RANGER

S. M. U. PLAYS WEST VIRGINIA ELEVEN TODAY

Intersectional Game at Dallas Attracting Attention of Southwest.

DALLAS, Jan. 1.—The West Virginia Wesleyan Bobcats came into Dallas Wednesday morning and, instead of running off the final practice session at Fort Worth, as anticipated, they went through their paces at the stadium here Wednesday afternoon, getting their feet accustomed to the field where this afternoon they battle S. M. U. in one of the four big intersectional games scheduled this date over the country.

BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG—



LAMB THEATRE colleen Moore SO BIG New Year's Day and Friday Liberty Theatre TOM MIX "THE DEAD WOOD COACH" New Year's Day and Friday

class put on since January 2, 1922 when the Aggies met Centre. S. M. U. goes into the New Year's game, the representative eleven of the southwest, undefeated in two seasons, the only unbeaten team in the organization this year—outweighed a margin of six to eight pounds per man—but carrying the confidence of the section that the light, quick witted, brilliant team which has held its own and more with the far heavier squads of the southwest, will add prestige to the coat of arms of the southwestern conference.

Kraus Right half Pearson Collins Fullback Reisor Officials: Referee Cochran (Michigan); umpire—Bridges (Harvard); head lineman—Blair (Yale); field judge—Roach (Baylor). Fair Park stadium at Dallas at 2:30 o'clock. VETERAN PEACE OFFICER RECALLS PIONEER DAYS C. S. Looney, veteran peace officer of Eastland county, who was sworn in for the fifth time as constable of the Cisco precinct Wednesday, was in Eastland today on professional business.

FEATURED PLAYERS IN DAY'S NEWS DRAMA



Diomatic episodes of the past few weeks have given rise to the painful doubts of the sincerity of France in her dealings with the United States. Colonel George Harvey, formerly American Ambassador to Great Britain, declared in a signed article in a Washington newspaper, France considers all her debts political, not financial, and has not the remotest intention of paying them, Harvey declared.

Interscholastic Conference Called For January Tenth

Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, have been designated as the dates for the district interscholastic league meet for this, the eleventh district, comprising the counties of Eastland, Erath, Hood, Palo Pinto, Somervell and Stephens. All literary events will be arranged to take place on Friday, April 24 and all athletic events on Saturday, April 25.

teams, boys and girls. Provisions will also be made for the school scoring highest in athletic events. J. E. Burnett, director general of the eleventh district, has invited all schools in this district that wish to participate in the district meet to send a representative to Strawn, Jan. 10, to discuss the coming district meet. It is suggested by Mr. Burnett that the representative be the coach, the principal or the superintendent of the respective schools.

Texas State Bank EASTLAND, TEXAS Resources Over One Million Dollars

OILBELT MOTOR CO. INC. CHEVROLET Studebaker For Economical Transportation This is a Studebaker Year Ranger Eastland Breckenridge

PADEREWSKI GETS OFFER. GENEVA.—Ignace Paderewski, spending the winter at a little Swiss village, recently was offered \$3 a day to play at a local dance, the inhabitants being unaware of his fame.

BEST SHOE SHOP 206 S. Seaman EASTLAND Beginning Jan. 1st all Union Barber Shops will charge 15c for neck clip. J. W. Harris, Sec.

PIANOS FOR SALE OR RENT W. E. DAVIS Jewellery and Music

NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S FINAL SALE OF REMAINING ASSETS OF ALAMO OIL & REFINING COMPANY. On January 15th, 1925, at 10 o'clock a. m. in accordance with the orders of the judge of the 91st judicial district court of Eastland county, Texas, I will offer for sale at the courthouse door of Eastland county, Texas, to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate:

line of this tract 1166.9 feet; thence S. 568.5 feet to the place of beginning, containing 16.5 acres of land, saving excepting and reserving therefrom all the oil, gas, petroleum and other minerals and mineral substances in and under said lands, with the right of ingress and egress.

WE ARE PAYING 1925 Registration Fee on all Used Cars Sold this week 1923 Studebaker Special Six Roadster \$875.00 1923 Ford Roadster (balloon tires) \$300.00 1923 Ford Touring \$235.00 1922 Ford Touring \$150.00 1922 Essex Touring \$385.00 1922 Hudson Touring \$700.00 1919 Buick Touring (extra good shape) \$175.00 CONVENIENT TERMS GULLAHORN MOTOR CO. Built By Service

We Wish Our Customers and Friends A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR E. WHITEHURST Gas and Plumbing Supplies Eastland Phone 488

Vulcanizing and Re-Treading a Specialty Gates Tires and Tubes, Second Hand Tires—All Work Guaranteed—Best Equipped Shop in County CITY VULCANIZING SHOP Near Postoffice Eastland, Texas

SMOOTH ROLLING GENERAL CORDS

WEST SIDE GARAGE Eastland

RANGER BUSINESS DIRECTORY Junk Dealers RANGER IRON AND METAL CO. Wholesale and Retail Dealers in All Kinds of Pipe, Oil Well Supplies and Junk. Phone 330—P. O. Box 1106

Job Printing TIMES PUBLISHING CO. Embossing—Engraving Ranger, Texas

Transfer TRUCK AND TEAM SERVICE Ranger Transfer & Storage Co. Phone 117 Packing: Crating Hauling: Moving: Storage

10—LODGES Stated convention of Ranger Lodge No. 457, Knights of Pythias tonight at 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome. F. L. KELLY, C. C. J. B. HEISTER, K. R. S.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT FURNISHED APARTMENT for rent. Phone 191 or call 607 W. Main, Ranger.

12—WANTED TO BUY WANTED—For cash, iron bed, with coil spring mattress. State price. White box 222, Ranger.

13—FOR SALE—Miscellaneous. FOR SALE—Household furniture, cheap for quick sale, inquire apartment 64, Terrell Bldg., Ranger.

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15—HOUSES FOR SALE NOTICE—For sale, new six rooms, bath, built-in fixtures, just completed, modern throughout, in beautiful Oak Park addition, for quick sale. See J. S. Ballew, Ballew Grocery, Ranger.

16—AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE—One 1924 model Hupmobile touring car, just like new; 1 electric washing machine, nearly new; 1 complete neodyne radio set, brand new, E. L. Norris, Prairie Pipe-Line Garage, Tiffin, Texas.

17—WANTED—Miscellaneous SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right prices. Main street Second-Hand store, 580 Main st., Ranger. Phone 95.

18—WANTED—Miscellaneous WANTED—Second-hand furniture. Wright Furniture Co., 207 S. Rusk st. Phone 154, Ranger.

19—FOR SALE OR TRADE. FOR SALE OR TRADE—Good home, close to high school; 4 rooms, hall, 2 porches; would consider trade for car. C. L. Williams of Ranger Shoe Co., Ranger.

NEW YEAR WISHES FOR A GREATER RANGER IN 1925

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

RANGER DRY CLEANING PLANT

"Join Your Hands, and With Your Hands Your Hearts, That No Dissension Hinder Progress."—Shakespeare.

LET EVERY BODY PULL TOGETHER

Your efforts linked with the following factors in the growth of this section will assure unparalleled prosperity: Unexcelled Soils that produce in abundance every crop adapted to the temperate zone. Transportation Facilities that afford rapid and efficient distribution to every section of the county. Raw Materials are plentiful and obtainable at a minimum expense. Weather Conditions are mild and conducive to better living conditions. Let our motto be:

"Bigger Men, Bigger Vision, Better Days."

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

A. J. RATLIFF

May the poultry industry in and around Ranger be developed to great proportions, which will be a big assistance to Ranger's prosperity and future.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

FRANK CONNELL

OWNER CONNELL'S VARIETY STORE

Ranger's future depends largely upon its natural resources.

My greatest wish is to see the streets of Ranger crowded with wagons and trucks loaded with cotton and chickens.

LET'S ALL PULL TOGETHER FOR A GREATER RANGER FOR 1925

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

N. N. WHITWORTH

MANAGER HARMAN DRUG STORE

The new year 1925 means a lot to Ranger and its future business.

We must all pull together for

A GREATER RANGER, A GREATER EASTLAND COUNTY AND A GREATER WEST TEXAS

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

J. H. MEAD

In 1925 Ranger will have many things to work for—the farming industry, cotton, oil, gas, poultry, etc. Everything lies within Ranger's grasp for a greater prosperity in the coming year.

"TOGETHER WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL"

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

K. C. JONES MILLING CO.

FREE THE WORLD OF SELFISHNESS

and lead us all into useful paths of duty and unselfish service. We return thanks sincerely for loyal patrons who have made it possible for us to do business. We pledge you our best for 1925.

BUY RANGER-MADE PRODUCTS

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

EXIDE BATTERY CO.

It's a great pleasure to be in business in a town like Ranger, where you have everything you need to make it a real little city.

Let's all get together and make this coming year the greatest in Ranger's history.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

A. L. CHARETTE

I have recently opened a business in Ranger and I am very well satisfied with results.

My 1925 plans are for a big expansion in my business. That's what I think of Ranger. No other city has as many resources and industries to offer the man looking for a place to settle.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

ROY SPEED

OWNER SPEED'S BAKERY

Make 1925 a great year for buying home-made products.

EVERY DOLLAR SPENT IN RANGER STAYS IN RANGER

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

MRS. S. COHN

OWNER COHN MILLINERY STORE

My greatest wish is to see Ranger one of the leading poultry and farm centers in the country.

Thanking everyone for their past business and wishing them a Prosperous New Year.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

THE GLOBE

We wish all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

May Health, Happiness and Prosperity come to our entire citizenship during 1925.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

THE JAMESONS

A real understanding of the country's needs, a real realization of public responsibility, an earnest desire to co-operate in every legitimate way to the building and growth of Ranger—these constitute the spirit of the Jamesons.

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

RANGER DAILY TIMES

ALL FOR ONE — ONE FOR ALL

Let's All Pull Together For a Greater 1925

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

MAY THIS BE THE MOST PROSPEROUS YEAR WE HAVE HAD

We wish to thank all for their generous patronage the past year.

May we have the pleasure to serve you during 1925.

RANGER SHOE COMPANY

206 Main Street

My Best Wishes For a Greater Ranger In 1925

RANGER DELICATESSEN

112 Main Street—Next to Bobo & Bobo

"HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST"

We are for a Better Town, a Better County and a Better State

Merchant's Lunch—Chili and Sandwiches Budweiser on Draught

"Lots of Good Things to Eat"

New Year Wishes for a Greater Ranger During 1925

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

GUS COLEMAN

MANAGER SOUTHERN ICE AND
UTILITIES COMPANY
Ranger Plant

The coming year will surely mean everything toward the assurance of Ranger's future. We still have the latent potentialities for making a city that we have had all the time, and their development can come only through teamwork.

We need more confidence in our fellow townsmen and less distrust. There are those who have not shouldered their part of the job—these should volunteer, and help instead of criticize.

Our Chamber of Commerce is well directed and administered. What it needs is financial aid.

What we all need is more business. We cannot get it without going after it. The boom was over four years ago and with it passed the profit that came without effort. Don't "kid" yourself. We have got to get back to that old spirit of "one tie, all tie" that kept us going when Ranger script was famous. It's just like the "old time religion," it's good enough for me.

My Best Wishes For a
Greater Ranger
In 1925

JOE DENNIS

AUTO TOP AND
PAINT SHOP

May Ranger
Develop All Her
Industries
That Have Been
Planned for
the Coming Year.

Meet us at our new location in the old Wright Furniture Co. building on South Rusk Street.

WE ARE READY
FOR BUSINESS

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

T. B. THORPE

OWNER WRIGHT FURNITURE COMPANY

May Ranger succeed in anything that will help to make it a more prosperous and larger city.

We are now in our new location in the J. C. Smith building, where we will be better located to give our friends and customers better service.

WRIGHT FURNITURE CO.

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

GIFFORD CLEGG

MANAGER OIL CITIES ELECTRIC CO.

OUR AIM:

To serve our fellowman and our community in every way that tends to make men happier and better, and our city progressive and prosperous.

SERVICE — CO-OPERATION — FELLOWSHIP

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

W. M. BARRETT

MANAGER SOUTHWESTERN GAS, LIGHT
& POWER COMPANY

I sincerely wish for a united citizenship in Ranger throughout the New Year and that all will work together in harmony in developing our natural resources and commercial enterprises.

MAY RANGER GROW AND PROSPER

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

C. E. MAY

VICE PRESIDENT PEOPLES STATE BANK

It is with the strongest spirit that we join the Ranger Times New Year Edition to stimulate the publicity program for a betterment of all business conditions and the hope of a material development throughout this section. The fundamentals that advance good citizenship are ever increasing prosperity and progressiveness.

May the citizenship of Ranger unite together and help in the growth of a greater agricultural, oil, cotton and poultry center.

My Best Wishes For a
Greater Ranger
In 1925

W. W. EDRINGTON

We would like to meet you face to face and tell you in a friendly sort of way that we appreciate you not only as a patron but as a friend and to tell you that we wish you a full measure of the comforts that come from health and prosperity in the New Year and that it will be our joy to contribute to your happiness if we are afforded the opportunity.

VICTORY
SERVICE
STATIONS

"All Over Town"

MY BEST WISHES FOR A GREATER
RANGER IN 1925

W. W. HOUSEWRIGHT

VICE PRESIDENT RANGER STATE BANK

Many things for Ranger are being planned for 1925, and my greatest wish is to see them all successful. It takes all kinds of industries and businesses to make a city. Let's back everything that will help our city grow in 1925.

TOM SMITH HAS ARRIVED IN RANGER

1925

WARNING--Stop-Look and Listen

1925

Happy
New
Year

TOMORROW MORNING, JANUARY 2, AT 8 O'CLOCK SHARP, WE LAUNCH THE MAMMOTH TOM SMITH AUTOMOBILE SALE

Happy
New
Year

TOM SMITH IS THE GREATEST USED CAR SALES ENGINEER IN AMERICA. Our instructions to him are: Sell every used car in our stock, regardless of price or terms, during this January Clearance Sale. And we have said to him: Every used car is in exactly the condition we claim for it, therefore we are giving to the automobile buying public of this community a guarantee never-before heard of in the used car world. Read it—then read it again—Here it is with absolutely no strings tied to it.

Let's all Boost for a Greater Ranger During 1925

We, THE LEVEILLE-MAHER MOTOR COMPANY, absolutely guarantee that every car sold during this sale is in exactly the condition we claim for it, and further guarantee to provide every purchaser with a certificate as shown below, which gives him absolutely the same service FREE of any and all cost as is given with a new car.

We can do this because this is the finest lot of used cars ever offered to the public. No other dealer has ever attempted any such guarantee.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Ford car bearing engine No. was sold during our January Clearance Sale and that in consideration of the above fact that purchaser is hereby entitled to receive, without any charge whatsoever, exactly the same service on this car as we give free with every new car sold by us.

Car sold.....192.....

To
Purchaser's name

The above guaranteed by
LEVEILLE-MAHER MOTOR COMPANY
Authorized Ford Dealers

FIVE DAYS TRIAL

Drive any car you buy five days. If at the end of that time you find it other than as represented

Drive it Back

We will allow every dollar paid to apply on the purchase of any used car in our stock.

LIST OF BARGAINS--LOOK 'EM OVER--MANY OTHERS

\$100

WILL SECURE CHOICE OF ABOUT TWENTY OF THESE CARS

\$25 Down

Balance Easy

- 1 Hudson Speedster, 21 Model.....\$300.00
- 2 Dodge Roadsters, 20 Models, each..\$75.00
- 1 Dodge Commercial Car, 20 Model...\$50.00
- 1 Studebaker Special 6 Touring.....\$450.00
- 2 Chevrolet Tourings, each.....\$100.00
- 1 Buick Touring, 21 Model.....\$100.00
- 2 Ford Trucks, 21 Models, each.....\$100.00
- 1 Ford Truck, 24 Model.....\$450.00
- 1 Ford 2-Door Sedan\$300.00
- Roadsters and Tourings...\$15.00 to \$350.00
- Coupes and Sedans.....\$100.00 to \$400.00

\$125

TAKE YOUR CHOICE OF SEVERAL TOURING CARS AND ROADSTERS AT

\$30 Down

Balance Easy

OPEN EACH NIGHT UNTIL NINE O'CLOCK

All Salesmen on Duty Until 9:00 P. M. Every Night
W. J. McFARLAND T. J. ANDERSON
ED MOORE JNO. LAYTON JOE KRAMER
Come early and avoid the rush. Take your pick, make a small down payment, suit yourself about the balance.



MAKE YOUR OWN TERMS
Pay down whatever you can spare in reason, the balance can be divided into a period of months to suit your convenience. No reasonable offer refused.

TO OUR
DEAR FRIENDS

We Extend Our Wishes for

A HAPPY NEW
YEAR

Filled with prosperous days and
restful nights—health and con-
tentment and the comforts you
most desire.

WE ARE THANKFUL

For favors of the past year and
earnestly solicit your 1925 pat-
ronage.

BOSTON STORE
EASTLAND

THE DAWN OF THE
**NEW
YEAR**

Brings us again to a starting
place when it is fit and prop-
er that we pause to count
the blessings of the past, to
profit by the errors gone by
and to make better resolves
for the days ahead. This
being true we come in the
early hours of the New Year
to—

Wish You Success and Pleasure
In 1925

And we also take advant-
age of this opportunity to
thank you for your 1924
patronage and to solicit a
continuation of the same
throughout 1925.

CAMPBELL & FAGG
EASTLAND, TEXAS

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

To Our Many Friends and
Patrons

Prompted by our sincere apprecia-
tion of the loyalty of our patrons
during 1924 we extend greetings
and good wishes for the New Year
and in so doing give you the assur-
ance of our intention to make 1925
a great year for this business and
for those who trade here.

Let Us Pull Together

to make our city a better city and
our people a more prosperous, con-
tented people. To this end let us
work together in 1925.

TEXAS STATE BANK
EASTLAND, TEXAS

**PUZZLE FANS
UNABLE TO GET
DICTIONARIES**

**New York Public Library Un-
able to Provide for the
Demand.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A dictio-
nary shortage faces New York pub-
lic library as a result of the demands
by cross-word puzzle fans, it is said
today by H. M. Lydenberg, chief
reference librarian.

So acute is the shortage at the
library, he says, that officials are
contemplating either purchasing a
new stock of dictionaries or else de-
nying their use to those who want
them chiefly to aid in solving cross-
word puzzles. There are 150 Eng-
lish dictionaries in the library, and
it is estimated that upward of 500
people daily are seeking their use.

To help meet the problem, Charles
F. McCombs, superintendent of the
main reading room, announces that
dictionaries are to be removed from
the shelves in the reading room.
They will be lent only to those who
give assurance that they wish to use
them "for legitimate reference pur-
poses."

Mr. Lydenberg said there would be
no objection to use of dictionaries
and other reference works to help in
solving cross-word puzzles were it
not for the fact that the demand has
been too great to take care of.

"We have arrived at the deplorable
state," he said, "where it is necessary
to bar the cross-word puzzle fans
from using our dictionaries. Either
that or we'll have to order more dic-
tionaries."

**TEXAS REPUBLICAN STATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALL**

By United Press.
DALLAS, Dec. 31.—A special
meeting of the republican state ex-
ecutive committee, January 5, was
called today by Leonard Withington,
director of the organization in Tex-
as.

Chairman Eugene Nolte of Seguin
issued the call and said that suc-
cessors to Vice Chairman C. A. Bowton
of Waco and State Treasurer Claren-
ce Lintz of Dallas probably will be
elected. W. E. Talbot of Dallas,
former director of organization, is
being mentioned for the vice chair-
manship.

—At the—
LAMB THEATRE



New Year's Day and Friday

—At the—
Liberty Theatre

TOM MIX
—In—
"THE DEAD WOOD
COACH"

New Year's Day and Friday

CONNELLEE ONE NIGHT ONLY JAN. 5

Eastland Welcome Return of
MESSRS. SHUBERTS MUSICAL SENSATION

**BLOSSOM
TIME**

PRICES:
Lower Floor \$2.75; Balcony \$2.20, \$1.65, \$1.10; Tax Included
SEATS NOW ON SALE

**OLDEN AND YELLOW MOUND
PLAY IN EASTLAND TODAY**

Olden high school and the Yellow
Mound Mohicans basket ball teams
will play an official interscholastic
game at the American legion ath-
letic club this afternoon, beginning
at 4 o'clock.

**TROTSKY SOJOURNING AT
HEALTH RESORT SAYS REPORT**

By FREDERICK KUH,
United Press Staff Correspondent.
MOSCOW, Dec. 31.—Regarding
reports that Leon Trotsky is under
arrest at Kremlin, it need only be
said that Trotsky is at present at a
health resort in Crimea.
There were no demonstrations in

Moscow or elsewhere attendant upon
his departure.

The minister for war is a popular
figure, but is in no position at pres-
ent to "start anything" even were he
inclined to do so. Nor do his friends
show any inclination to undertake
agitation on his behalf.
Trotsky's power in soviet circles
has been limited, but he retains his
offices.

**RING OUT THE OLD
RING IN THE NEW**

It is well that we observe the passing of a year—to ring
out the old and ring in the new. We are glad of the op-
portunity its affords for reflection. Closing, as we are,
another successful year for this business we are remind-
ed with a deep appreciation of the unswerving loyalty
of our friends and patrons. We count it fortunate to
have had the opportunity of dealing with you.

We are constantly striving to bring our friends and
customers more closely to us that we work with them
in the spirit of co-operation to the end that it may be
mutually helpful.

Your friendship and good will is an asset which we
value highly. In sincere appreciation of your patron-
age and of the kind words you have spoken to us and
to others in our behalf.

Joseph Dry Goods Co.
Ranger's Foremost Department Store

*As the Sun In Its
Glory Dispels
the Clouds*

So May the New Year

Dispel all your clouds and troubles and open be-
fore your pathway a clear vision to the greater
joys and prosperity.

For all patronage of the past we offer our sin-
cere thanks. We trust it will be our pleasure to
serve you in 1925.

**EXCHANGE
NATIONAL BANK**

John D. McRae Jack Williamson W. B. Smith

EASTLAND