

The Big Spring Herald

BIG SPRING, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1928

BY T. E. JORDAN

BIG SPRING MAN IS SUICIDE Death Threats Sent to Kidnappers Judge

AGO JUDGE GETS ATH LETTER THIS ORNING IN COURT

of Law and Order Drive to Stamp Out Reign
Many Witnesses Intimidated and Threat-
State Witness Dead to Prevent Testimony.

(By the Associated Press)
Dec. 20.—A letter threatening death to Judge
he took the bench to resume the trial of the
kidnappers of little Billy Ranieri, 10-year-old
who was abducted and held for ten days by
a demand was made upon his father for
\$50,000.

some of whom
threats if they
drive the firm's
structure of evi-
which the State
the electric chair
kidnappers of little
while all forces of
engaged in a battle
sign of terrorism
that has followed
the abduction.
closely guarded
10-year-old Bil-
and uncle Tues-
of the defendants.
Andrew Capellano,
16, as the plot-
witness went to
statements
of actions
showing the boy if
any participat-
witnesses were Nick
and, who told
with Pettiti for
the boy, policemen
Pettiti and the
Thomas Dominic,
Ranieri, who said
from Pettiti
the boy if Pet-
the request was
the boy soon after
by the kidnappers
the witness said.

Army Plane Will Spend the Night at Midland, Texas

SHREVEPORT, La. Dec. 20 AP.—The army airplane Question
Mark, enroute to California for an
endurance test, left here today for
Midland, Texas, where it was sched-
uled to spend the night. The plane
is accompanied by another craft. It
can be refueled while in the air.

DALLAS, Tex. Dec. 20 (AP)—
Two hundred gallons of gasoline
were transferred to the army plane
Question Mark, twenty five hun-
dred feet above Dallas today. It
was announced here that the plane
would stop at Midland, before pro-
ceeding to Tucson, Arizona for the
night.

Write That Letter To Santa Claus

Not many days now until Santa
Claus will be here. Have you writ-
ten him that letter telling him
what you want? If not better
write it today and get it in the
mail.

The Herald will print the letters
received this week in the Sunday
issue. If you want your letter to
appear in the paper, it must reach
our office not later than Saturday
morning.

Santa is always glad to hear
from the boys and girls. Write
him a letter today.

Attend Chevrolet Meeting in Dallas

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. King, R. J.
King and H. L. Dempsey returned
last night from Dallas where they
had been to attend a meeting of
Chevrolet dealers, and to see the
new six cylinder Chevrolet models
on display.

W. R. King is local Chevrolet
dealer and Mr. King states that the
new six cylinder models are won-
derful values, and he places them
in the class with a \$3,000 car. Sev-
en models were on display in Dal-
las.

Mr. King states that some of the
new models will be on display at
his salesroom in Big Spring on
Tuesday, December 26th. Everyone
is invited to come to the sales
room on East Third Street to see
these fine new cars.

Weldon Burns arrived this morn-
ing from A. & M. College to spend
the Christmas vacation with his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B.
Burns.

Christmas Carols To Be Sung Around Christmas Time

Everyone in Big Spring is invited
to join in the singing of Christmas
carols on Monday and Tuesday,
December 24 and 25, around the
beautiful Christmas tree on the
courthouse lawn. The tree was
erected by members of the City
Federation, and has been brilli-
antly and effectively lighted for the
Yuletide season.

The City Federation is sponsor-
ing the sing-song, which is to be
led by W. R. Dawes. Christmas
carols will be sung, and it is hope-
d that a real Christmas spirit will
be shown in their singing. Mrs. Jo-
seph Edwards is chairman of the
Christmas carols program, and a
list of the carols to be sung will
be given in Sunday's Herald.

A broad invitation is extended
everyone to attend the singing and
all are urged to join in. People are
asked to get out of their cars and
to come upon the lawn and gather
around the Christmas tree. The
singing will start promptly at 6:45
p. m., and will continue thirty min-
utes. This will give everyone an
opportunity to attend the singing;
and then return home to finish up
the details of decorating their
Christmas tree, or to wrap pack-
ages.

Having a community Christmas
trees is a new venture in Big
Spring, and it is hoped that the
singing of Christmas carols
will become an annual custom. It
goes a far way in creating a real
Christmas spirit. Come and join
the singing of beautiful carols.
Be there at 6:45 p. m.

Meriwether Test Past 1600 Feet

Drilling in the Meriwether test is
past the 1600 foot mark. Everything
is reported to be going good. They
found the top of salt at 970 feet,
which makes it 25 feet higher than
in the Meriwether test No. 1.

J. S. Meriwether states that he
will have an oil well for the stock-
holders by Christmas. Fine pro-
gress is being made and everyone
is watching this test with interest.

His Majesty, George, Is Now Improving

LONDON, England Dec. 20 AP.—
King George's physicians issued
his bulletin today. The King passed
a good night. A continuation of
his Majesty's slow progress is ac-
cused.

Has Interesting Meet

The Big Spring Central Labor
Union had a very interesting meet-
ing last night with a large number
of delegates present. The principle
business of the evening was the
proposed Christmas dinner to be
given the newboys, the messenger
boys and the poor people in Big
Spring. There was a large number
of poor and worthy people report-
ed to the body or being worthy of
a little help on Christmas day and
it was decided to take a basket to
them.

The delegates were very enthusi-
astic and filed with the spirit of
the season and quite determined
to make this a real Christmas in
Big Spring. There were some forty
or more families reported to the
body and they will receive a basket
Christmas Day.

COTTON STATISTICS
Liverpool due on HB Dec. 3 down
Jan. 2 down March 2 down May,
July one up New York Dec. 1 down
Jan. March and May up July one
up.

Compared with last year stock on
shipboard at Galveston, yesterday
60,000 bales vs 46,000 at Houston
32,000 against 26,000 at New Orleans
29,000 vs 50,000 Southern spots yester-
day 9 to 15 down except up at
Little Rock. Bales all totaled 37,370
bales vs 27,103 Tuesday and 17,516
last year. Census ginning report 9
a. m. today will give ginnings to
Dec. 13th. Returns will run against
12,972,765 bales ginned to corre-
sponding date last year.

McRea, Former Cashier of Bank at Jarrel, Texas

O. E. McRea, office manager of
the King Chevrolet company of this
city, read with much interest the
account of the robbery of the State
Bank of Jarrel, in Williamson
county. Mr. McRea was formerly
cashier in the above named bank,
and he and his father, A. M. Mc-
Rea, and a third party, were instru-
mental in organizing this bank. Mr.
McRea's father is still president.

The bank was looted when safe
breakers forced their way into the
brick and concrete vault. The presi-
dent and cashier of the institution
were both out of town, and since
the town of Jarrel had no town of-
ficers, the other employes of the
bank refused to enter the wreck-
ed vault until the State Examiner
came from Austin.

5 Prisoners Escape Jail in Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. Dec. 20
(AP).—Five prisoners escaped from
the county jail here today, after
blinding William Reynolds and slug-
ging John Stubbiefield, the jailer.
Two fugitives were recaptured by
police soon after the jail break.

Kiss Murderer Sentenced 20 Years to Life in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (AP).—
Vincent Rice the seventeen year
old Staten Island school boy who
received a prison sentence of twenty
years to life imprisonment today
for the murder of his sweet-
heart, Alice Jost, aged fifteen, in
her home at Fort Richmond on
November second. The girl was
struck on the head and strangled
with an electric cord by Rice after
the girl had tried to kiss him, as
stated by Rice.

More Severe Weather Scheduled for Section

A flash over the H. & B. Barr
wire states that it is clear and cold
over the West belt with rains in
the southeast. A severe wave is
headed to the southwest with the
barometer at 30.60.

ONE DIVORCE TO EVERY 10 WEDDINGS

WASHINGTON.—In the United
States during last year there was
approximately a ratio of one di-
vorces to every ten marriages.
The estimate of this ratio was
made today in the census bureau
preliminary figures for 1927 on
marriage and divorce. The figures
indicated a steadily rising divorce
rate accompanied by a decline in
marriages.

Divorces granted during the year
numbered 192,037, an increase of
11,184 or 6.2 per cent above the
previous high year, which was
1926. Marriages for 1927 numbered
1,200,894 or 1,850 less than in 1926.

THE COTTON SITUATION
The situation in the world spin-
ning continues about the same as
reported in recent weeks. Buyers
as a rule are still operating con-
servatively and spinners are complain-
ing of narrow and unprofitable
margins. While there is more irregu-
larity in the rate of operation as
to individual countries, spinning ac-
tivity, for the world as a whole is
higher than the average of all last
season and is slowly tending up-
ward. HR.

Notice to Children

Santa Claus will be at the corner
of Main and Third Streets between
the hours of 5 and 9 o'clock Mon-
day evening December 24th and
will give a sack of candy and fruit
to the first five hundred children
to greet him at this corner.
Big Spring Central Labor Union

T. J. McKinney has purchased a
new Studebaker "Erebus" automo-
bile in which to start on his vaca-
tion trip to El Paso and Hot
Springs, N. M.

\$10,200 Carload of Delco Lights Scheduled to Arrive

S. L. Everhart dealer of Delco
lights in this territory is expect-
ing a carload of Delco. Lighting
systems, estimated at \$10,200. Practi-
cally all of the equipment in the
car has been sold to the farmers
of Howard county, according to Mr.
Everhart.

With each Delco system, the pur-
chaser is given a set of beautiful
lighting fixtures, free of charge.
Practically all of the farmers are
buying large Delco systems so that
the Frigidaire system of refrigeration
may be handled in the farm
homes, Mr. Everhart states.

Visitors See Real Opportunity In This Section

We overheard some new citizens
discussing the future of Big Spring
recently and they had the situation
shed up about right.

They came from a section which
had made an amazing growth due
to oil development, and pointed out
that Big Spring was due for just
such a wonderful growth due to
oil development, and in addition
had wonderful agricultural resources
to insure a continued growth.
They named certain friends who
had come to the Big Spring coun-
try as tenant farmers and in a
few years had paid for fine farms
from the proceeds of the crops raised.
They said there were few sec-
tions in the United States which
presented such an opportunity and
for that reason this section was go-
ing to attract many home seekers
in the next few years.

The agricultural development will
cause Big Spring to be a thriving
city long after oil production ceases
to cause any additional progress.
Twenty-five years ago no one had
an idea that Howard county would
become an agricultural section, yet
the county is now producing sev-
eral million dollars worth of farm
products annually. With a large
area from which to draw patronage
there is no limit to our possibilities.
Logically located to secure a
north and south line of railroad
Big Spring has every chance to be-
come a real city, and men of vision
are predicting that it is to be-
come the big city of West Texas.

Hotel Owner Killed, Wife, Injured, Dies

HOUSTON, Texas Dec. 20 (AP).—
Mrs. Martin Griffin died here to-
day of injuries received yesterday,
when an automobile overturned
near Dayton. Her husband, owner
of the Dayton Hotel, was killed in-
stantly in the accident.

Coldest Weather of Season Felt Today

WICHITA FALLS, Texas Dec. 20
(AP).—Northwest Texas today felt
the coldest weather of the season.
The temperature here skidded to
24 degrees, one degree lower than
the previous minimum for winter.
Clear skies prevail.

Donates to Cemetery Fund

J. F. Wolcott, chairman of the
committee to raise funds for the
Cemetery Association reports the
following donations today:
M. H. Morrison, \$15.
R. Schwarzenbach, \$12.
Mrs. Hattie Crosssett, \$5.
J. H. Wright, \$2.50.
All donations are gratefully re-
ceived. All members are urged to
pay their dues before the close of
1928. Mail money or check to J. F.
Wolcott, chairman.

Father of Local Citizen in Wreck

G. H. Byrne, engineer of the In-
ternational and Great Northern
passenger train which jumped the
track near College Station Wednes-
day afternoon, was slightly injured.
More than 200 A. and M. students
homeward bound for Christmas
were on this train. Mr. Byrne is
the father of our townsman G. H.
Byrne Jr., representative of the
Texas and Pacific Coal and Oil
Products here.

Tree Planting Campaign

Those interested in joining in a
tree planting campaign may be in-
terested in the fact that W. S. Ross
of the Ross Nurseries of Dallas
has a fine assortment of trees, flow-
ering shrubs, rose bushes etc. at
\$10 East Third St.

City Stores Streets Doll Up For Xmas Use Many Lights

Big Spring has assumed a dis-
tinctly Christmas like appearance in
the past few days; Christmas trees
have made their appearance outside
of many of the stores, some of
them lighted at night. Amongst
these latter, special mention might
be made of the trees on the East
side of Main Street, opposite the
court house, and also the Cunnin-
gham and Phillips Drug Store in the
Dougllass block.

East Third Street is fast assum-
ing the appearance of a White Way
due to the many elaborate electric
signs, that make several blocks of
the highway a pathway of light.
The street is dominated by the
large sign on top of the Crawford
Hotel, but next in importance
comes the Chevrolet sign, on the
Kerr Chevrolet company corner
and after these comes a long pro-
cession of electric signs all lending
brilliance to the street.
elaborate decorations for the Yule-
fest.

The Crawford Hotel has put up
tide season, the lobby is profusely
garlanded with greens and bells
and two Christmas trees, both
beautifully, add the touch of Noel
which remind the guests away
from home of the season of good
will and joy. Outside the main en-
trance on top of the canopy stands
another tree which is also lit up
at night. Manager Boykin is doing
everything possible to make his
many guests feel thoroughly at
home.

Claims To Be Desert- er From Army

Claud Sprayberry who was ar-
rested on a charge of burglary here
a week or so ago now claims to be
a deserter from the U. S. Army and
desires to be turned over to army
officers on a charge of desertion.

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KELLEY HOGG SON OF PIONEER OF CITY DIES AT MONAHANS

Well-Known Employee of Texas and Pacific Found Dead This
Morning When Entrance Forced to Room; Apparently
Suicide; No Motive Known as Yet for Rash Act.

Kelley Hogg, whose age is said to be about 38 years, well
known in Big Spring, first trick dispatcher for the Texas
and Pacific Railroad at Monahans, did not answer the call
boy this morning and when entrance was obtained to his
room, he was found dead.

Death was apparently the result of a gunshot wound and
from what information comes to the Herald, Hogg had com-
mitted suicide.
The deceased's hours of duty were from eight in the
morning to four in the afternoon and he had retired last
night about the usual time and was not seen again until his
room was entered this morning.

R. C. Douglass Claimed by Death This Morning

R. C. Douglass, 78, father of J.
C. Douglass, owner of the Douglass
Hotel, was claimed by death this
morning at 6:55 o'clock, following
a weeks illness of pneumonia. Mr.
had been ill the past week, but his
condition showed improvement
when yesterday he took a turn for
the worse. He seemed so much
better Wednesday morning that his
son, left for Belton to get his daugh-
ter Miss Frances, who is a stu-
dent in Baylor College, and to bring
her to this city to spend the
Christmas holidays. When Mr.
Douglass seemed to be growing
worse the son was reached by
telephone and started back home.
He is expected to arrive in the
city sometime late this afternoon.
Funeral arrangements will be made
upon his arrival here.

Deceased is survived by four
sons, J. C. Douglass of this city,
W. R. Douglass of Mississippi, W. E.
Douglass of New York, T. L. Dou-
glass of Kansas, and two daughters,
Mrs. Short and Mrs. Will Furr of
Mississippi.

Mr. Douglass had made his home
with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Douglass
for the past 12 years. He was a
kindly Christian gentleman, loved
and esteemed by all who knew him.

Explosion Gas Mains Gives London a Jolt

LONDON, Dec. 20 (AP).—The
western and central sections of
London were given a startling re-
minder of wartime air raids today
when exploding gas mains caused
a miniature earthquake that heaved
up long stretches of the streets and
caused shop fronts to cave in.

The explosions started when
workmen entered a manhole with
an electric blower used to remove
foam air from passages leading into
the large inspection chamber below
the roadway. Twelve persons were
seriously injured while many suf-
fered minor hurts.

Looking For Owner of Chevrolet Cabriolet

The Sheriff's department is seek-
ing the owner of a practically new
Chevrolet cabriolet which was
found deserted on the highway a
short distance east of Big Spring.
There were no license tags on the
car to aid the officers in locating
the owner. It may be necessary to
wire the factory to trace this car.
The car was deserted when one of
the tires had a blow-out.

Miss Loraine Thomas who has
been living with her aunt, Mrs. E.
Layne, while attending school
here, left this morning for Fort
Worth to spend Christmas with her
parents.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

We again draw the attention of our advertisers to
the rule we were forced to make regarding the Dead-
Line on advertising copy.
Copy for each days Herald MUST be received in
this office before 4 p. m. the day previous.
Copy for Sunday's issue of the Herald MUST be in
this office before 5 p. m. on Friday evening previous
to publication.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

Harold will on January 1, 1929, put
a new and revised scale of advertising
in all classes of advertising.
New scale is now being worked out and rate
will be issued as soon as the exigencies of the
month.
Contracts will be made with all advertisers
January 1, 1929.

Need of Health Nurse Topic of Luncheon Club

Those who failed to attend the meeting of the Luncheon Club today certainly missed a treat since the chicken dinner and trimmings was the finest that ever faced the members.

No regular program had been prepared for this meeting and the charity and health situation in our county came up for the major portion of attention.

Rev. Claude Wingo made a report of the United Charity Association's activities and stated that a record was being kept of every case handled. A careful investigation is also made in an effort to discourage fakers and professionals.

Reverend Wingo stated that the greatest need was to have some work to offer every deserving person who really wanted to work.

Reverend Wingo told of the need of a health nurse in our community and cited several cases where entire families were down with the flu and they were unable to help themselves. He stated it was absolutely necessary to have a nurse to render assistance in such cases. He said an effort had been made to the commissioner's court bear half of the expense of a health nurse for our county but so far this request had not been acceded to. He said the court should at least help in maintaining a health nurse while this flu epidemic was raging in our county.

Dr. Dillard, H. L. Rix, T. C. Strange, G. L. Wilke, and others all spoke of the importance of having a county health nurse and advocated a committee being appointed to take the commissioner's to some of the sick families and show them that a nurse is really needed in our county. The following were appointed to meet with the commissioner's court and put the proposition to them: B. Reagan, H. L. Rix, C. S. Holmes, Dr. J. R. Dillard and Rev. W. G. Bailey.

J. B. Pickle made a plea for a movement to beautify the court house grounds by planting more trees, trimming the present trees, planting more flowers, preventing the parking of automobiles on the lawn.

The president named the following of the tree planting committee to cooperate with committees from the Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, City Federation, and other organizations in mapping out a comprehensive tree planting campaign.

Dr. Daxley, chairman of the nominating committee reported that the following had been nominated as officers of the Wednesday Luncheon Club for the coming six months: Garland A. Woodward, president, John L. Webb, secretary.

In closing Willard Sullivan, the retiring president recounted some of the accomplishments of the Luncheon Club during the past year, thanked the membership for the loyal cooperation accorded him during the time he has served as president and asked the same loyal support for his successor.

Announcement was made that the club would not meet next week on account of so many other happenings scheduled for Christmas week.

County Agents to Start Work Here January 1

The county agent and home demonstration agent for Howard county will be on hand to start work shortly after the first of the new year and under the supervision of trained men and women our farm people are sure to enjoy prosperity more than ever before. The agents work with the farm people in helping them to solve their problems, and to show them the improved methods of doing things. He is one of us and under their guidance agriculture will receive a big boost in Howard county.

This is one of the great steps, Howard county has taken the past year.

Electric Lamps May Be Without Filament

Experiments in gas-filled lamps using the rare neon and argon gases indicate that the incandescent electric lamp of today will soon be replaced by luminous lamp containing gas of some kind, but without the tungsten or carbon filaments at present used.

The advantages expected to be obtained are longer and less consumption of current for a given amount of light, meaning less cost to consumers for the same amount of light or a greater amount of light for the same money.

Lamps of this type have been used extensively in electrical signs and in fog beacons in aviation work.

The county needs more office space. The county officials and the city are going to be compelled to erect a lot of public buildings during the coming year.

Oil Operators and Royalty Owners to Meet

Oil operators and royalty owners in the Howard-Glasscock county oil fields will hold a conference at the Crawford Hotel on Friday morning December 21, beginning at 9 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is for the interested men to arrive at some definite method of preventing water encroachment and to effect a control, where water has already appeared in the wells.

The meeting will be held under the supervision of R. D. Parker, of Austin, chairman of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission.

Recipes For Today

Scalloped Tomatoes
Butter a baking dish, put in a layer of tomatoes, season with salt pepper and butter, add a layer of buttered bread or cracker crumbs. Repeat having last layer of crumbs. Bake about twenty minutes in hot oven. (A small amount of sugar may be added.)

Tomato Sauce for Cutlets and Croquettes
3-3 can tomatoes
1-4 teaspoon soda
3 tablepoons butter
2-2 tablepoons flour
1-4 teaspoon salt
Little pepper
Cook tomatoes ten minuts, rub through sieve, add soda, then add to the butter and flour cooked together, cook until thickened; season.

Macaroni With Tomato Sauce
Put a layer of boiled macaroni in buttered baking dish, pour over tomato sauce as prepared for cutlets and croquettes, repeat, and bake about fifteen minutes in hot oven.

Egg Noodles With Tomato
Cook 2 cups egg noodles in boiling salted water, drain and blanch, add 1-2 cups tomato sauce, turn in buttered baking dish, cover with buttered crumbs and bake until crumbs are brown.

String Bean Salad
Drain liquor from one can refuted stringless beans, serve on lettuce leaf, garnish with thin sliced reuboid beets and serve with French or Mayonnaise dressing.

Tomato Jelly Salad
Cook 1 can tomatoes, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoon paprika fifteen minutes, strain; add 2 tablepoons granulated gelatine dissolved in 1-4 cup cold water; pour into individual moulds; when cold and firm, serve on lettuce with Mayonnaise dressing.

Mexican Jelly Salad
Soak 2-3 tablepoons granulated gelatine in 2-3 cup cold water twenty minutes; add 2 cups boiling water, 1-3 cup vinegar, 1-3 lemon, 1-3 cup sugar, 1-2 teaspoon salt; stir until sugar and gelatine are dissolved; cool, when beginning to set add 1 cup of golden wax beans 1 pint cut in strips. Mould, chill, serve on lettuce with Mayonnaise.

Macedoine Salad
Drain liquor from 1-3 can our peas, 1-2 can our red kidney beans or Lima beans, 1-3 can our French beans; prepare with French dressing and serve on lettuce.

Fruit Salad
Drain the juice from the fruit, mix in the proportion desired add mayonnaise and a small amount of whipped cream.

Air Mail Line Across West Texas Favorably Discussed at Capital

The proposed air mail line between Dallas and Los Angeles, following a route via Abilene, Big Spring and El Paso, was discussed favorably at a conference in Washington, D. C., last week, according to a dispatch from Dallas quoting John W. Philip, Dallas postmaster.

Philip announced Sunday on returning from Washington that no definite announcement as to plans for the line can be made until W. Irving Glover, second assistant postmaster general in charge of air mail, can inspect the proposed route.

Officials of the Dallas postmaster stated while Philip was away, according to Dallas newspapers, that he was called there on business connected with the proposed New York Dallas-Los Angeles line. Mr. Philip had assurances from the post office department at Washington before he left Dallas that the Dallas Los Angeles extension would be the next air mail line established. Mr. Philip's recommendations in regard to mail service in the south and southwest are known to be given serious consideration by the postoffice department.

To Set Date for West Texas Oil Exposition

SAN ANGELO, Dec 18.—A meeting of the oil division of the Board of City Development will be held this week to determine the dates in January for the annual West Texas Oil Exposition.

Remains of Tom Nolen Shipped to Hamlin for Burial

The remains of Tom Nolen, 44, who died yesterday, from self-inflicted wound, were shipped to Hamlin, Texas, last night on the evening passenger train. Funeral services will be held in Hamlin tomorrow afternoon. Accompanying the remains to Hamlin were his wife, and brother-in-law, S. F. Ruder of Ackerley.

Nolen had returned from his luncheon to the O. K. Barber Shop at 207 Runnels street, where he was employed, laid himself down on a bench, pulled a paper up over his face and under cover of the newspaper, shot himself through the head with a .320 automatic pistol.

Death was instantaneous and suicide was the verdict.

Rix-Griffith Mortuary prepared the body for shipment.

Good Pork Curing Method Described

A brine method of curing pork that is coming into general use in Texas because it makes a deliciously flavored meat and is practical is described by E. R. Eudaly, Swine Specialist of the A. and M. College Extension Service. "To make brine enough for 100 pounds of meat use 10 gallons of water, 20 pounds of salt, 5 five pounds sugar and 5 ounces saltpeter. Bring the water to a boil, then add the salt and stir until dissolved. Add the sugar and saltpeter and again stir until dissolved. Allow to cool before using.

"Cut meat up as soon as dressed and rub it with preparation. Leave spread out and salted over night to lose the animal heat and then pack in a clean barrel with hams and shoulders at the bottom and the bacon on top. Pour on enough brine to cover the meat. Leave the bacon in brine for three weeks and hams and shoulders for five weeks.

"Bfme will sometimes spoil, due to an unclean barrel or adverse weather conditions, so the brine should be examined once a week. If there are gas bubbles on the surface of the brine it is probably spoiling. Dip up a cup of it and pour back in the barrel. If it pours rosy or like syrup it is spoiling and the meat should be taken out and washed with hot water. Empty and scald the barrel and re-pack the meat in fresh brine made the day before so as to be cool.

"After removing the meat at the end of the curing process it should be hung up to drip and then smoked from any of the hardwoods or corn cobs. Most people prefer a three-day smoke. The next step, wrapping, is important if the meat is to keep good during the whole year. Wrap first in paper (news-papers will do) and then in ducking, sewing on with close stitches to prevent bugs and skippers getting into the meat. Sew on a string and hang up in a cool dry place; it may mold in hot weather but that doesn't hurt."

Get Your Ticket for That Christmas Dinner

The Big Spring Central Labor Union will give a ticket good for a free Christmas dinner at any and all union cafes in Big Spring on Christmas Day to all poor and needy, and to all children who will not have a Christmas dinner in their homes.

Tickets will be given away on Monday, December 24 and Christmas morning at the Central Union Hall, under the J. D. Biles Drug Store. If you know of some one sick, who will be unable to call for a ticket, and wants to be served a Christmas dinner notify Elma Phillips at the Service Barber Shop.

Donate to the Cemetery Fund

"We way to put a thing over is to be eternally reminding people of that thing you want to get. We know many of our readers are tired hearing about the need of funds for the Cemetery association, but the Association is tired of trying to operate without funds. The only way the Association has of collecting money is through an announcement such as this. They do not have the funds to get a collector to go around and see each member of the Cemetery Association personally, but they have to depend on the conscience of each one, whose duty it is to contribute to this worthy cause.

The Association will cease to function when all funds are used. Everyone must aid financially to keep up the good work of the cemetery. It is up to you. Don't put it off on the other fellow. If you have not paid your dues, you are urged to do so before the close of the year. Don't your check or money today to a "Wanted" notice.

Maracaibo Will Drill to Roberts Pay Horizon

By S. F. BALENTINE
New Drumright, Glasscock County, Texas, Dec. 15.—The Maracaibo, formerly Henshaw, No. C-1, Settles in section 6, tested 970 barrels production for production today. This well is producing from 2208 to 2238 feet, and is an offset to the Louisiana Oil and Refining Co.'s producer.

Probably the most important test in the Howard-Glasscock field today, is that of the Maracaibo's No. C-2, Settles in section 6, which was cored this evening at a depth of 2262 feet. This test is being drilled to the deep Roberts pay horizon. Since this company's No. B-1 in section 125, extended the Roberts pay horizon production more than a half mile west it is the general opinion among the fraternity that the two pools are connected in this deep horizon and that the production on the west side will be more prolific than that developed on the Roberts ranch and as the formation is running higher there is less likelihood of water trouble. The C-2 has the eight-inch set at 2008 feet. The same company's C-3 drilling at 1145 feet, this is a diagonal offset southeast to the Taylor-Link producer.

The Group No. 1 Oil Corporation (Texon subsidiary) No. 1, Eason in section 6, drilling at 1980 feet, same company's No. A-8, Settles, section 6, eight inch standing cemented at 2125 feet; their No. 4, Settles, in section 125, an offset east to the Maracaibo's C-2, eight inch cemented at 2133 feet, both tests are standardizing.

Louisiana Oil and Refining Company's No. 2, Settles, section 6, which is a direct offset south to the Aaylor-Link producer, has the 6-8 casing cemented at 1986 feet, standardizing; same company's No. 1, Settles, an offset to the Henshaw discovery well is pumping 850 barrels.

The Group No. 1 Oil Corporation, No. 1 Quinn, in section 11, block 34-1-south, drilling below 3370 feet. This test is eight miles west of Big Spring. A showing about enough oil to depress the stem nicely was had at a depth of 3220-30 feet with a small amount of gas. It was reported that this test had drilled into water at 3270 feet but this was an error. Down to the present depth of 3370 feet the showing at 3220-30 feet was the only oil had was found. The elevation at this Quinn location is reported as 2484 feet while that of the Harding location, three miles southeast, is given as 2922 feet. The small production in the Harding was found at 3185 feet.

The Condon Petroleum Company's test in section 5, block 32-3-north, Borden county is drilling in line below 3500 feet. This test had a showing at a depth of 3400 feet and sulphur water at 3410 feet. The elevation here is 2801 feet with the line reported topped at 2842 feet, which would give a lime datum of 367 feet minus.

The Magnolia test in section 1, block 34-1-north, Dawson county, 19 miles northwest of the Condon test, is drilling below 3360 feet; the elevation of this location is 2858 feet and a check of the logs of the Magnolia's and Condon would indicate that the lime at the Magnolia location is running approximately 300 feet lower than is the Condon.

An important wildcat test, that is just starting, is that of Daniels & Snyder, in section 7, block 34-1-south, Glasscock county and several miles from the tests drilled on the McDowell ranch.

At the Phillips Petroleum Co. Test

The drilling is now penetrating a gray shale in the Phillips Petroleum Company's test on section 12, block 25, township 1 North eight miles northwest Big Spring. This test is now past the 2800 foot depth. Geologists are of the opinion that an oil-bearing formation should be encountered between 3100 and 3200 foot depth.

W. C. Erwin Found Dead At Forsan

W. C. Erwin was found dead in bed, at his cotillion at Forsan yesterday afternoon. An inquest was held and the body brought to the Eberley Undertaking Company in Big Spring, where it is being held while relatives of the dead man are being located. It is known of Erwin.

W. C. Erwin To Be Buried In Canton, Oklahoma

The body of William Coleman Erwin, who was found dead in cotillion at Forsan Sunday afternoon, will be shipped on the 10:45 train this morning to Canton, Oklahoma. His daughter, Mrs. Carrie Edwards of Dallas, New Mexico, arrived in Big Spring last night and she will accompany the remains to Canton, where funeral services will be held Friday afternoon.

Only One Arrest Each of Past 2 Days

The calm before the storm seems to have set in. Only one arrest, a charge of larceny is recorded on the roll today for Sunday and only one Tuesday. We are expecting a crowded condition tomorrow before the storm.

Big Real Estate Deal Closed In City Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Settles on last Saturday closed a deal for two valuable pieces of property, right near the heart of the business district of Big Spring.

From Cunningham and Phillips they purchased a tract fifty by one hundred feet at the intersection of East Third and Runnels Street. This tract fronts one hundred feet on Runnels and fifty feet on East Third Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Settles also purchased from Mrs. Clara Eddins an adjoining tract on the East ninety by one hundred feet. This tract fronts ninety feet on East Third St. The price paid for this valuable property was not made public.

Mr. and Mrs. Settles plan to improve this property but are not prepared at this time to give out any information as to the size or type of building to be erected. That they have great faith in the future of Big Spring is evidenced by this, one of their many heavy investments in Big Spring real estate.

T. & P. May Acquire Snyder Railroad

Snyder, Dec. 15.—The announced application of the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Railroad to rehabilitate its financial background for the purpose of adjusting capital structure to more nearly accord with the capitalization assets, brings the rumor in rail and banking circles that the Texas and Pacific is to acquire controlling interest in this short line that operates between Roscoe and Fluvanna, a distance of 49 miles.

If the financing plan is approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission, in all likelihood the Texas and Pacific will take it over, as it is well known it has had its eye on the short road since it was taken over by the Missouri Pacific last year.

Local boosters of the proposed Snyder, Roswell and Gulf railroad are of the belief that if the Texas and Pacific should acquire this short road that soon the east and west railroad will be an actual happening for this section.

Among the first suggestions offered when the east and west road came up was using the present route from Snyder to Fluvanna, these continuing west over the Cap Rock to O'Donnell, Brownfield and on to Roswell. Another suggested route was due west from Snyder to Gall and Lamesa, then to Brownfield.

More than \$1,500,000 already has been subscribed for financing the proposed east and west road.

Pet Coyote to Be Shown Here Dec. 22

Harvie Haynie of the Sterling City route, has a pet coyote, that he is going to bring to Big Spring on Saturday, December 22nd, and will display same in the Big Spring Hardware company. "Fritz" as the pet is called, has an interesting life history.

About ten months ago, while a bunch of young men were scouting on the Pecos river three of the oil men ran upon a pathetic scene. The banks of the river had risen, and overflowed its banks and a mother coyote was seen dragging her cubs from their den near the river to higher ground. After dragging the cubs to safety, she gave a mournful cry and died. There were three cubs two of which were dead. The oil men took the other one back to camp. "Fritz" he was named, and became a favorite of the camp. The oil men gave him several opportunities to gain his freedom. One night while camping near Van Horn, Texas, Fritz was turned loose to escape. The next morning he remained sleeping, curled up on the foot of one of the scout's beds. When Fritz was four months old, he was again turned loose near Carlsbad, N. M. but he refused to leave the camp.

Fritz is now 10 months old, and is as tame as any household pet. He has become the favorite and a familiar figure in the oil field camps at Pecos, Midway, Drumright and other Howard County fields.

He sure and see Fritz when on display in Big Spring at the Big Spring Hardware company Saturday, December 22nd.

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United Charities To Serve As An Employment Agency

The United Charities will serve as an employment agency, and will be glad if anyone having work will report same to them. If you have one hour's work for a man, one day's work, a week's work or want a permanent employe, report this in the United Charities committee. It will help them to get on their feet, and at the same time, it will help you to get someone to do your work. C. A. Holmes is chairman of the United Charities Committee and Claude Wingo is secretary. Report all of your positions to either of these men. Any and all work of work should be listed.

Now are having yourself out at the United Charities when you get news for those who are with them.

Have You Helped To Put the Seal Sale Over the Top?

Only a few days more and the Public Health Seal Sale will be over. Have you done your part to help put the sale over in a big way? The committee wishes to urge each a deveryone to mail in the money for the seals received in the mails, also continue to buy. The seals can be used to an advantage in wrapping Christmas packages, and each one carries a message of good cheer. Why not use these seals, and help in the fight against tuberculosis.

The Big Spring Howard County Health Association gets to keep 60 per cent of the proceeds from the seal sale. Help the committee put the sale over the top.

Citizens Asked To Observe Traffic Regulations

In an effort to prevent the death of some of the school children, Boy Scouts were placed in charge of traffic in the vicinity of all school buildings. The Boy Scouts are given full authority, and failure of automobile drivers to heed the orders of the Scouts will result in fines.

Parents are asked to caution their children from exceeding the speed limit in going to and from school in automobiles. Parents coming to the school for their children are requested to drive to side of street nearest school so children will not be compelled to cross the street.

Every citizen is urged to cooperate in the observance of safe driving in the vicinity of our schools. Don't take a chance—you surely do not want to be responsible for the death of a little child.

Miss Helen Reagan Scores Success in Little Theater Play

Miss Helen Reagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Reagan of this city, who is attending Baylor University at Waco, and who was given the leading role in "As You Like It," Shakespearean play presented by the Little Theater group at the University, scored a huge success in her part. We quote a clipping from two publications giving praise to Miss Reagan's presentation.

One writes up: "Perhaps the most outstanding character of the production was Miss Helen Reagan as Rosalind."

Another says: "Miss Helen Reagan as Rosalind takes honors in the first Little Theater offering of the year."

It was Miss Reagan who kept the revised version of Shakespeare's Forest of Arden forest from straggling. As the love-struck Rosalind she was charming; as Ganymede she was entertaining and as the discovered sweetheart of Orlando, she was lovable. From the first line she spoke through the spigote, her acting was admirable, and Mrs. Shakespeare made no mistake in placing the fashion in having the lady give the spigote. Miss Reagan took the highest honors of the performance.

New Type of Rural Mail Box Approved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.— Because of the large increase in the amount of rural parcel post being delivered by the postoffice department, Postmaster General New has approved a new type of rural mail box more than four times the dimensions of the present box. The content of the new No. 2 box is 2,200 cubic inches, compared with 700 cubic inch content of the box now in use.

Patrons of existing routes will not be required to replace their old boxes with the new ones unless they so desire so long as their boxes remain serviceable. Replacements when made, however, will be with the new box, says the postoffice department.

The new box, built on the same general lines as the old one, will accommodate most parcel post packages as well as first-class mail and newspapers. A model of the new box has been approved by the officers of the National Rural Carriers' association.

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Henshaw Sale to Maracaibo Completed

Final steps in the transfer of West Texas properties of the Henshaw Oil Corporation of San Angelo to the American Maracaibo were consummated in Fort Worth Tuesday.

The consideration in the transaction, which has never been announced, is reported to be approximately \$2,500,000.

The properties concerned include settled production in Brown County; 156 acres in Howard, on which was located the discovery well in the 2,800 foot pay which had an initial production rate of 7,500 barrels; another 80 in Howard, with one producer from the Roberts or 2,800 foot pay, and a 50-acre piece in the Hendrick pool of Winkler county with the first well in process of completion.

Present production is around 8,000 barrels daily, with drilling operations under way which are expected to multiply this output in the next few weeks.

J. J. Cotter of New York, president of the American Maracaibo was present for the consummation of the transaction. He was accompanied by F. R. Ryan of New York general counsel; Frank J. Ryan of New York, secretary-treasurer of the company; Patrick Swearingen of San Antonio, Texas legal representative and C. L. Sutton was formerly with the Dixie Oil Company of which F. H. Wickett, chairman of American Maracaibo was formerly president. George A. Henshaw, Jr. of San Angelo represented his company with the legal details handled by J. F. O'Brian.

Representative Wants to Learn Needs of Our People

The Herald is in receipt of a letter from Penrose B. Metcalfe, representative of the 15th district, in which he expresses a desire to receive letters from the citizens of our county in regard to the needs of our community. We quote his letter in part:

"I had hoped to be in Big Spring for a day or two before this to consult with the people relative to their needs and requirements in legislative matters, but have been away from home almost constantly since the middle of September. Please advise the people here that I am always ready to do what is possible to protect and advance their interests and hope that they will write me promptly and fully of their positions on matters which may properly come before the Legislature."

Mr. Penrose is also interested in knowing of any person desiring appointment as a Notary Public in Big Spring for 1929.

WINS BEAUTIFUL ROUQUOIS PILLOW

Miss Ina Mae Bradley was the lucky winner of the beautiful Rouquois pillow given away by the Reynolds Hat Shoppe. Customers were given a chance at the pillow, and all of the names were placed in a box, and the drawing held. Little Miss Jessalyn Tuttle drew the lucky number from the box, making Miss Bradley the winner.

Whether \$12.50 is habit or a splurge

SOME men regularly pay \$12.50 for their shoes. Others do so on sudden impulse. But when the pulse leads them to a pair of Nettletons at \$12.50, it soon becomes a habit of good appearance and of good...

Nettleton



A. P. McDONALD CO.

Spring Business & Professional DIRECTORY

Advertisements for various professionals including Dr. L. E. Parnley (Surgeon and Physician), Brooks and Woodward (Attorneys at Law), Dr. E. H. Happel (Dentist), Fox Stripling Land Company, and others.

Group One Test Hits Another Show
The Group One Oil Corporation's test on the southeast corner of section 11, block 34, township 1 S, about eight miles west of Big Spring is said to have hit another good oil showing Sunday night.

John Northington Won Award In Tourney
John Northington was the lucky winner of the handsome putter, given as an award in the golf tournament, held recently by the Big Spring Golf Club.

Near Serious Wreck Sunday Night
What came near proving a serious automobile crash took place about 8 o'clock Sunday night, and it was a miracle the occupants of the two cars were not seriously hurt.

Meriwether Oil Co. Finds Salt Higher
J. S. Meriwether and all the other officials and workmen in the employ of the Meriwether Oil Co. are in a happy frame of mind over the showing of their test well on the McDowell ranch 20 miles south of Big Spring.

United Charities Now Ready to Handle Cases
The United Charities are now ready to answer all calls, according to Claude Wingo, chairman. They will make investigation of any and all cases that may come or be sent to them.

Remember the Orphan
Our kind-hearted citizens who would like to participate in Christmas cheer to Buckner Orphan's Home will find the answer just east of First Baptist church, open until noon Tuesday.

Deep Rock Test Make Third Gas
Gas in the Deep Rock No. 1 Harris test, just west of Andrews, began to spurt for the third time Sunday morning in spite of the fact that 100 sacks of cement and tons of mud had been used to curb its gas flow.

\$150,000 Cargo of Intoxicants Is Captured
NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—An unmanned forty-five foot motor boat with a cargo of alcohol and rye whiskey which customs officers valued at \$150,000 was found today one mile off Staten Island.

CHRISTMAS BUSY TIME FOR WESTERN UNION BOYS
Santa Claus who is generally credited with being everywhere at once on Christmas eve has nothing on the 25,000 messengers of the Western Union whose activity at this season of the year puts to shame the proverbial busy bee.

NOTICE
My office will be closed next Monday and Tuesday. Those wishing to see me before the Christmas holidays are asked to please call at my office in the court house, before Saturday night.

Large advertisement for Chevrolet cars featuring a detailed illustration of a vintage car and the text 'The Outstanding Chevrolet of Chevrolet History with Marvelous New Bodies by Fisher!'. Includes a price list for various models and contact information for King Chevrolet Co.

Neel, 10, In Mouth Toy Pistol
Artificially sexed hens, hatched on the poultry farm of Paul R. Hadley in Fanwood, N. J., not only have upset the prognostications of scientists that they would not lay but are said to have demonstrated their superiority to their naturally sexed sisters in several other ways.

'The Model Home' Presented to Public Sunday
'The Model Home' planned and erected by the Stahlman Lumber Company was presented to the Big Spring public yesterday and it has been estimated that 1500 to 1800 people visited the home on the opening day.

Two Wrecks In Same Spot
Out on the highway south of Big Spring on Sunday night two cars collided without serious damage to the cars or injury to the occupants, but while the drivers were adjusting their difficulties along comes a Mexican driving a Ford and crashes into one of the cars.

Funds to Fight Insect Pests
The U. S. Department of Agriculture has been granted an appropriation to carry on war against insect pests. An appropriation of \$497,120 is carried in the bill for control of the pink bollworm of cotton.

Sanitary Barber Shop
Roberts and Welch, Props.
EXCELLENT EQUIPMENT
FOUR CHAIR SHOP
EXPERT BARBERS
Only the Best SERVICE

Specialty
The coverings for tops, and new kitchen features.
McGinnis
Beauty Shop
Mrs. J. L. McWhirter, Prop.

WHY ALL THE DRAMATICS IN COURT?

A Dallas district judge recently allowed attorneys in a murder trial eight hours in which to present their pleas to the jury. They took every minute of the time allotted them. The evidence in the case could have been summed up and analyzed in thirty minutes, so that any intelligent juror could have arrived at a verdict.

But presenting the evidence to the jury with a fair analysis in order that a just verdict can be arrived at is not in the program in any Texas court. Instead, lawyers are permitted to indulge in flights of oratory and bring into the case anything and everything calculated to take the minds of the jurors away from the facts. They strive to create prejudice and to work upon the sympathies of jurors. They quote the Bible, Shakespeare, and poetry. They pull vaudeville stunts, shed crocodile tears, and appeal to high Heaven to witness their sincerity. Hypocrites, all of them. Widows are paraded before the jurors. Little children are brought into court, old fathers and bent old mothers are made a part of the stage setting. And for what purpose? To bolster up a weak case and to defeat justice.

And this is Texas justice. The case is not overdrawn. It happens every day, and yet there are persons who say we do not need a reform in court procedure; that it is dangerous to tamper with our courts, "the bulwark of our freedom." How long will the people of Texas be blinded to the fact that the courts of the State and the procedure practiced is a menace to their liberty and an expense way out of proportion to what it should be? Why is it that every citizen hesitates to ask for protection of his property and civic rights? Why does he fear the courtroom? Because of delays, tricks, technicalities, a multiplicity of papers for which he must pay exorbitant fees—one cost heaped upon another until the expense of protection exceeds his means.

Justice in Texas courts under the present rules of procedure and liberties granted the lawyers? If there is such a thing it is an exception to the rule.

If our courts are established in the name of justice—if our judges are elected and paid for the purpose of administering justice in criminal cases—why all the dramatics? Why not require the attorneys in all the cases to lay their cards on the table in the beginning of the trial and restrict them to actual facts in summing up their case to the jury? If it is justice we are after, cut out the vaudeville performances, the tricks, the technicalities, postponements and other delays, and get down to cases.—Farm and Ranch.

OUR LEGISLATIVE MADNESS

"In the United States we have gone well-nigh mad legislatively," says Lewis E. Lawes, warden of Sing Sing penitentiary, and one of the most celebrated American authorities and students of crime, in a recent book.

"Instead of a few clearly defined laws we have thousands upon thousands of ambiguously written laws of whose meaning and intent there is a difference of opinion even among our leading jurists," Warden Lawes writes. "Frequently these laws do not represent the real wishes of the majority and they become dead letters, or even worse, sources of graft which corrupt police, the courts and the citizenry."

"Legislators as a rule have little or no knowledge of the great fundamental problems involved in crime. Laws should be made so that they will function along common sense lines rather than along technical lines understood only by lawyers and judges. Really effective laws would and should reach 98 per cent of those who commit crime instead only about two per cent." Any observant person must see the logic in this authority's statement. In the United States it is not uncommon for trials to be spraddled out over interminable periods of time, while lawyers introduce technicalities and wrangle over abstract legal red tape. Fewer laws with enforcement, not more laws without enforcement, should be a national slogan.

THAT HE WHO DRIVES MAY SEE

With the coming of the season of automobile shows and new models, some users of the heavily taxed highways of the United States feel keenly that in one particular inventors are lagging in the march of progress. Motorcars have steadily improved in power and comfort, but for the driver one thing is still lacking is adequate headlight control. Despite the automobile's marvelous development, little advance in this line has been made since the latter days of the nineteenth century, when the carbide lamp with magnifying lenses was in vogue.

To be sure, several states have enacted legislation in an effort to control the glare nuisance. Dimming when approaching an other machine has been decreed, for instance but even when efforts have been made to enforce laws making for such effect, the dimming is often done after the cars are so close together that little advantage is gained. With such well-lighted streets as the majority of municipalities now possess, blaring headlights are entirely unnecessary. Indeed, some cities have ordinances prohibiting them.

Some steps have been taken by manufacturers themselves toward controlling head light glare in the quest for safer night driving. Ditch lights and refractive glass are helps, but they are not enough. Four-wheel brakes also make for safer highways, though they have permitted greater speeds, that have themselves added to the urgent need of eradicating the constant annoyance of powerful, glaring headlights.

Still, the glare of two brilliant searchlights, racing toward the oncoming motorist, is a grave problem in night driving. Massachusetts, which may be considered an average state, had 47 fatal automobile mishaps in 1927, of which forty were due to too bright or insufficient lighting. Many others indirectly resulted from these two causes.

In the interest of the security and comfort

of the millions of motorists in the United States, today's ever-speedier transportation demands that every possible safeguard and assistance be provided in order that he who drives may see more clearly than under present conditions.—Christian Science Monitor.

WE NEED ANOTHER RAILROAD

Talk to citizens of Tulsa, Wichita Falls, Amarillo, or any other fast growing city and they will inform you that it is very necessary to have rail connections in order to secure manufacturing plants, wholesale houses, etc.

Big Spring is situated to secure a north and south railroad without a great deal of effort. We should be busy right now on plans to build a line to Lamesa on the north, and to Sterling City on the south.

The slogan "Watch Big Spring Grow" would come in fine if we landed a north and south railroad. The fact is we must have such a line before we can land manufacturing plants.

MODERATE PRICED RENT HOUSES NEEDED

The need of more rent houses and rent houses which can be rented to workmen at reasonable prices is becoming recognized.

We just can't hope to continue to make progress until we meet this need.

Workmen are not able to pay the rent which is now being asked. There are enough folks coming in to fill up every room and apartment at any price that is asked, so the plan to provide reasonable priced homes is going to be difficult to put over. A company of citizens interested in the future of our city should tackle this proposition.

A PLACE TO LET OFF STEAM

For the special benefit of the "BRAIN-LESS DRIVERS," every county ought to provide a speedway, far away from any highway, where these irresponsible drivers could be turned loose to drive as fast as their machines could turn a wheel. If every county had such a suicide trail its quite certain the survivors might be persuaded to drive safely and sanely on the highways.

"HOME AND CHRISTMAS"

Home and Christmas! Perhaps no other two words in the English language carry with them more connotation of all that is beautiful and happy than do these two. Certain it is than no more worthy, no more idealistic, no more joy giving customs exist in America today than the institution of the home in which Christmas finds its most reverent expression or celebration.

CHARGING IT TO FUTURE, BAD HABIT

The question of taxation is outstanding among present day problems. It is a rare community that is without indebtedness, and to a greater or lesser extent, a tax burden. Investigation shows that communities which have the largest bonded indebtedness and the highest tax rates are not usually the most prosperous. "Improvements" and government ventures which are made without sound economic foresight are doomed to become expensive failures. It is easy to vote bond issues. The rub comes when they have to be paid in the tax bills.

We will have general tax reduction when communities learn the difference between improvement and extravagance and prefer to "pay more as they go" instead of "charging it all to the future."

FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY

Every merchant, banker, salesman, teacher, minister, farmer, carpenter, who makes a living in this community should be interested in this program—a great program that is devoted to the fundamental subjects of better business, better homes, better churches, better schools—and a better citizenship in the entire community.

So-called dry lightning, or the dry thunderstorm, is due to the same cause and occurs in the same manner as any other thunderstorm, states the Weather Bureau, U. S. Department of Agriculture. In regions where the lower air is extremely dry the water vapor condenses, or the rain forms, so high up that all or nearly all of it evaporates in mid-air as it falls, and the thunderstorm is a dry one.

Individuals who would crawl under a hotel bed to recover a nickel will wipe their shoes on a clean bedspread, scratch a match on a freshly-papered wall, and rub their heels against the side of a beautiful bureau, not one of these people would think of taking a daily paper from the hotel newstand without paying for it, but for some inexplicable reason it never occurs to them that they are wasting good money of the hotel proprietor when they make a railroad shanty of their room.

There may be more useful inventions than the radio, but nothing has ever come into any house that brought as much pleasure for the entire family, and that includes everything except the open fireplace and the books.

If you have not finished your Christmas shopping by this time, it is certainly almost time for you to begin to get busy about that part of your business.

The boys and girls of our fellow-citizens are beginning to come in from the various schools and colleges over the country to be with their parents during the joyous Christmas-tide.

Suspicion is what keeps down the world's market for gold bricks. We can imagine just such devilry as these doubting Thomases see in us. All we have to say in response is that we don't do that way.

Just three more days now to do your Christmas shopping—better be getting busy looking to those gifts that you are intending to give.

OUT OUR WAY



HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN.

MOM 'N POP



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIEND



By William

Vincent Items

December 18, 1936. Christmas time is here, and judging from the strength of the North wind of the first of the week Santa Claus should have no troubles getting here. Mr. and Mrs. George Teston entertained the young people with a delightful party last Saturday night. Everyone reported a fine time. M. N. Brown, who has been ill for the past several days, is improving. Derrell Mulliken of Coahoma was a weekend visitor here last week. Garrett Richards left Tuesday for Grapeland, where he will reside in the future. Lloyd Davidson and Troy Christall of Garden City were visitors here last week end. Mrs. Guy Guffee has for several days been in the hospital at Big Spring. We wish for her a speedy recovery. Reporter.

Intercollegiate Debates To Be Held Soon

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20.—Eleven debates for Texas Christian University have been booked for the present school year, according to announcement just made by Hugh Buck, Crosbyton, Texas, debating manager at the school. Schools included in T. C. U.'s schedule are as follows: Southern Methodist University, Dallas; Oklahoma City University; A. and M. College Station; Baylor University Waco; Howard Payne, Brownwood; Simmons University Abilene; North Texas State Teachers' College, Denton; Trinity University, Waco; Southwestern University, Georgetown; Texas Tech, Lubbock; and the West Texas Teachers, Canyon. Four of the debates will be held in Fort Worth and the other seven away from here. Both sides of two questions will be debated by T. C. U. in the various contests. The official questions for the year are: First, "Resolved That a Substitute for Trial by Jury Should Be Adopted," and second, "Resolved, That the Parliamentary Form of Government is Superior to the Presidential Form."

Business Research Renders Valuable Service In Texas

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 20.—Increasing circulation of the Texas Business Review, monthly publication of the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas, indicates that the bulletin is rendering a distinct service to the citizens and business organizations of the State, according to Mrs. Martha Ann Zivley, secretary of the Bureau.

Reward Offered

A reward will be paid for recovery of a brown leather bag, with the initials "M" stamped in gold on the inside, or for any of the contents. Addressed to Mrs. E. H. Morris, the red leather bag which contained all the contributions for the Mission. Also some returned to the leaves. Also see yours in distress. Mrs. B. H. Morris.

PLANT CLOSING UPHOLD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP).—Closing down of the government's helium plant at Fort Worth, Texas, on January 10 has been upheld by the federal bureau of mines.

REWARD OFFERED

BELOIT, Wis. Dec. 19.—An expedition to Mongolia remains of the "missing" mail next March, it was Wednesday by Roy C. Drews, the explorer who led a party of scientists there early in the year.

MISSING SEARCH

The "Java man" search will be made by a pliocene fossil deposit will be from one to six miles old. It is about 700 miles from Shara Murmur in the Path, Andrews said.

J. L. McCOWN OF THE

Engineering company will spend Christmas with Fort Worth.

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Texas Life Insurance Day, January

Dallas, Dec. 18.—The insurance men have elected chairman of Missouri which will be observed. These men will serve of committees for eleven of Texas. More than 100 life insurance men are speaking on life insurance luncheon clubs in various cities. Governor Dabney asked to designate Texas Life Insurance Day, according to Harry D. W. Antonio, President, Underwriters Association.

Fisher Well Co. For 400

Sharp Flows 18 Hours Against Pipe Line

Cranfill and Reynolds company's No. 12. 4. 6. 8. 10. 12. 14. 16. 18. 20. 22. 24. 26. 28. 30. 32. 34. 36. 38. 40. 42. 44. 46. 48. 50. 52. 54. 56. 58. 60. 62. 64. 66. 68. 70. 72. 74. 76. 78. 80. 82. 84. 86. 88. 90. 92. 94. 96. 98. 100.

The test was flowing hourly yesterday through a 12-inch pipe line and pressure from a pipe line. The oil bearing formation usually soft for that depth at 120 feet and about 18 inches, when flowing over the formation that contained the well is 400 feet of the same sandstone. Young, nearest production field southeast in the Willingham of Coahoma Sun Oil company.

Indian, Greek, Latin Writings

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 20.—H. Shover, professor of the University of Texas, has edited an anthology of ancient literature containing selections from the Greek and Latin writings of medieval and modern times, which will be published next fall. It is a collaboration with Dr. T. Cross of the University of

Football Friday... events in the place in Abilene when the Abilene Football Club...

Auto Accident on Runnels Today... What had all the appearances of being a serious accident, occurred at the corner of East Fifth and Runnels Street today at noon...

That Lighted Christmas Tree... The big Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn, erected by members of the City Federation, offered a pretty sight last evening when it was brilliantly lighted.



Home for Aged Members and Orphan Children... The Woodman Circle is very happy over the fact that their dream is soon to be realized.

Obria Pierce Oil Field Worker Killed at Forsan... Crew at Oil Well at Work Pulling Casing, Pulley Gave Way Striking Pierce

TOM NOLEN SHOOT'S SELF LEAVES NOTES DAUGHTER & MOTHER... Barber Despondent After Prolonged Drinking Bout Kills Self in View of Fellow Workers and Customers, Tells Mother "Not Crazy But Lived Long Enough."

Students of their Tongue... been apparent to with high school...

A Railroad North and South Biggest Need... Automobile highways are wonderful trade bringers, but they never will completely eliminate the railroads.

County Health Nurse Is Needed Here... The need of a county health nurse is certainly recognized by those who know something of the ravages of the flu.

Commerce Body Hears Reports at Big Banquet... President Phillips Reviews Work of Body in 1928... Large Crowd Present

A Paint-up Campaign Needed... We could well afford to make a thorough job of overhauling Big Spring the early part of the coming year by a real "paint-up campaign."

Harry Crawford Probably Fatally Hurt at Ft. Worth... FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 17. (AP).—Harry G. Crawford, night general yardmaster of the Texas and Pacific Railway was probably fatally injured in the Lancaster yards when a string of three box cars that had been kicked down a switch track ran over him during Sunday night's rain.

Drive With Care... Drive with care—those may be wasted words but how fine it would be if everyone who drives a car would heed this advice.

Refund Sought on Fumigation of Cotton... The legislative committee of the Western Cotton Growers' Cooperative Protective Association met here today to outline a program by which information will be furnished to the next Legislature asking for remuneration to the cotton growers who have been compelled by the State and Federal Governments to sterilize and fumigate all cottonseed and cotton products in a restricted area.

Horse-Lot Swap Twenty Years Ago Recalled by Suit... Twenty years ago R. V. Bell "swapped" two horses for three lots in what is now the business district of Big Spring.

Centerpoint School to Have a Christmas Box Supper Friday... The Center Point School will give a Christmas box supper on Friday evening, December 21st. Everyone is invited to come and have a big time.

Schools Will Close Friday for Holidays... The City Schools of Big Spring will close Friday for the Christmas holidays. Teachers going home to spend the holidays or visit at other points, are planning to leave Friday night, or early Saturday morning.

County Teachers and Trustees Ass'n Has Good Meeting... An interesting meeting of the County Teachers and Trustees Association was held in the District Courtroom of the court house, last Friday afternoon, with a banner crowd in attendance.

Build Up Dairy Herds Is Our First Need... Before we seek to secure a milk condenser or a dried milk plant it will be necessary to secure more dairy cattle.

Negro Fails to Enjoy Plane Ride... A black boy by the name of "Walter" who works around Collins Bros. drug store came as near turning white Sunday as a man of his complexion possibly could.

Change of Venue in Murder Case... MADISONVILLE, Texas, Dec. 18 (AP).—Because of the extensive publicity given the case a change of venue was granted today to Jim Kittleband. The case was slated to go to trial here for the alleged slaying of Henry Walker, a barber of Midway.

Work Delayed Due to Non-arrival of Material... Failure of the rock needed in the construction of the business building of H. Clay and Earl Read to arrive has been delaying the progress of work on this structure.

Good Times Due Next Year... Talk to any citizen and he will convince you that we are due for a continuation of the prosperous era which has marked the progress of our community during the past two years.

Nature Thought of Everything... Nature thought of everything when the human body was made. When the body is about to become ill, nature has planned danger signals to warn us.

Apartment Coming... There have been several apartment buildings erected in this city in the past few years.

Nine-Tenths Preventable... Nine-tenths of all the diseases of the American people can be traced directly to uncleanliness, doctors say. Constipation throws into the system poisons which take and weaken every organ of the body and makes them easy victims for any germs that attack them.

Community Christmas Tree in Place... The huge cedar tree which is to serve as a Community Christmas tree has been set in place on the courthouse lawn and will be appropriately decorated with electric lights, tinsel, etc.

Refer All Cases Charity to United Charities... The United Charities are now ready to handle charity cases and everyone is urged to refer all cases to them.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

Dr. C. B. Hestley
Office Over A. M. Fisher Co.
Phone 582 41-41

PASTURAGE FOR CATTLE: I can furnish good pasturage for 400 or 500 head of cattle in Martin County. Have 7040 acres of fine grass and plenty of water. See E. C. Witt of Fairview Store 5 1/2 miles Northwest of Big Spring. 12-41

WANTED TO SELL: A bargain Primus Engine, tanks, tin, scales, land, location, Fairview Gas plant in one lump only. Will take stock in new plant with right party. Money making gas location. V. Homer Shanks, Sec. Texas, Clyde, Texas. 12-21p

TO LEASE: Oil lease in active territory W 1-2 Sur. 208 Blk. D. 43 per acre. 260 acres Callahan county adjoining drilling well and block. Yachum county 35. W. Homer Shanks, Clyde, Texas. 14-2

FOR SALE: 12 gentle work mules and 12 three and four-year-old mules, unbroken. The good kind. D. W. Christian. 14-31

FOR SALE: 100 acre farm, all in cultivation. 10 1-2 miles from Big Spring. Two miles to school. Take some trade. Dave Christian. 14-31

FOR SALE: Two milch cows, young, fresh, heavy milkers. Also choice killing hogs, young and fat. Sam Little, 15 miles northwest from Big Spring on mail route to Klot. 14-31

FOR SALE: Two good Jersey milch cows. See J. M. Murray, Vealmore, Texas. 15-21p

WANTED: To rent a farm of about 300 acres on the halves. Have large force to operate farm. Write A. D. Draper General Delivery Big Spring, Texas. 15-21p

EXCHANGE: Will exchange five night three and four year old Fordson tractor and farm equipment. Phone 9005 F. 3. Lloyd Branson, Luther, Texas. 15-21p

LOST: If my party who took plow and single trees will return them and call at the house. I will give them some they can use. The party is known to me. L. N. Brooks. 15-21p

Gins Will Be Closed December 24 and 25

The gins of Big Spring will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th. Everyone having business to attend to at any of the gins is asked to take note, and make arrangements to come to the gins Saturday or else come Wednesday. This announcement is made to avoid the customers any inconvenience.

Oil Showings Warrant Big Drilling Program

We have stated that if an oil showing was found in any of the important wildcat wells being drilled, east, west, or north of Big Spring it would mean a continuous drilling campaign to search out a new oil pool. But with reported oil showings in the tests east, west, north and north there is no estimating what a big development program may be launched. It would have been remarkable if any of the wildcats came in a big well, it is just as promising that they have encountered favorable showings as the oil fraternity will be encouraged to launch a drilling campaign to find the liquid gold. While the low price of crude will not warrant such a scramble as would ordinarily result with the favorable showings found here recently.

Join The Band, All Musicians Are Urged

W. S. Riggs, bandmaster of the Big Spring band, wishes to extend an invitation to every musician in the city to come and join the band. Practices are held every Monday night in the district courtroom at the courthouse, and some members are needed. If you have played in the band in Big Spring or other places, come out and help us build up a good band for Big Spring.

May Establish Oil Mill Here

A man writes from North Carolina recently to make inquiry as to the need of a cotton seed oil mill in Big Spring. He is expecting to visit the city to make further investigation, relative to the need of such a mill in this territory.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Howard County, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY TO SUMMON W. R. McCullough by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 32nd Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 32nd Judicial District to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Howard County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Big Spring, on the first Monday in September, A. D. 1928, the same being the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1928, Lena McCullough is Plaintiff, and W. R. McCullough is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff resides in Howard County, Texas, and that the residence of defendant is unknown; That on or about the 15th day of September, A. D. 1924, plaintiff was duly and legally married to defendant in the County of Howard, State of Texas, and continued to live with him, as his wife, until about the 13th day of June, A. D. 1928; that plaintiff has been a bona fide resident of the State of Texas for a period of twelve months, and has resided in said County of Howard, where this suit is filed, for a period of six months next preceding the filing thereof; that defendant within a year after their said marriage, commenced a course of unkind, harsh and tyrannical treatment toward her, which continued with exceedingly slight intermissions, until she finally separated from him, on or about the 13th day of June, A. D. 1928; that on divers occasions while plaintiff lived with defendant, as aforesaid, he was guilty of excessive, cruel treatment and acts outrageous toward her, of such a nature as to render their further living together insupportable; that in the first part of May, 1928, plaintiff was sick in bed and defendant came home and abused her, and said that she, plaintiff, was only an expense to him in the way of doctor bills; that defendant has never provided the necessities of life for this plaintiff, or for their children. That during the marriage of plaintiff and defendant they have had born to them, as issue of such marriage, four children, R. L. boy, age 12 years, Claudine, girl, age 10 years, Rodelight Jackson, boy, age 5 years, and J. B. boy, age 2 years, each of whom are still living; that plaintiff with the help of her father who is willing to give same, is able to bring up and educate said children properly, and that the defendant is not that plaintiff will be prudent toward said children, and defendant will not be, and that it would be proper and right to award the custody, care and education of said children to plaintiff instead of to defendant. Wherefore, plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to answer this petition, and that, on final hearing hereof, plaintiff have judgment dissolving the marriage relations of plaintiff and defendant; that plaintiff have the care, custody and education of said children, issue of said marriage, and for such other and further relief as the Court shall think proper to grant, or that the plaintiff may be entitled, to either at law or in equity, and for all costs of suit in this behalf expended.

C. P. ROGERS, Attorney for plaintiff. Herein Fall Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. I. Prichard, Clerk of the District Court of Howard County. Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas, this 2nd day of August, A. D. 1928. J. I. PRICHARD, Clerk, District Court, Howard County. (Seal) 12-41

NOTICE BY GUARDIAN OF APPLICATION FOR MINERAL LEASE OF WARD

In Re-Guardianship of the Estate of Nathan Zant, Curtis Zant, Derwood Zant, and Joe Pascal Zant, minors: In the County Court of Howard County, Texas, December 5, 1928: Notice is hereby given that I, Mae Zant, guardian of the Estate of Nathan Zant, Curtis Zant, Derwood Zant, and Joe Pascal Zant, minors, have this day filed my application in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Howard County, Texas, authorizing me as Guardian of the Estate of said Wards to make a Mineral Lease upon such premises as the Court may order and direct of the following described real-estate belonging to the Estate of said Wards, to-wit: The West one-half of Section No. 35, block No. 52, 1/2 S. 1/4 of the T. and P. Ry. surveys of

Borden and Howard Counties, Texas. Said application will be heard by the County Judge at the Court-house in the town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1928. Mae Zant, Guardian of the Estate of Nathan Zant, Curtis Zant, Derwood Zant and Joe Pascal Zant, Minors. 12-21

NOTICE GUARDIANSHIP OF NO. 206, JEFFIE LUCILE SAUNDERS, A MINOR.

In the County Court of Howard County, Texas, at the December term A. D. 1928. Notice is hereby given that I, H. P. Saunders, Guardian of the Estate of Jeffie Lucile Saunders a Minor, have this day filed my application in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Howard County, Texas, authorizing me as Guardian of the Estate of said ward to make a mineral lease to Atlantic Oil Producing Co. and J. W. Schuber, Lessees, upon such terms as the court may order and direct of the following described real estate, belonging to the estate of the said ward, to-wit: The South 1-2 of section No. 29 in block No. 31 Tap 1 North T. and P. Railway Co. survey Howard County, Texas; said application will be heard by the County Judge at the Court House in the city of Big Spring, Texas on the 3rd day of December A. D. 1928. H. P. Saunders, Guardian of the estate of said Minor. 12-11

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1223, wherein Howard County will receive sealed bid on one or more Ten ton Track Type tractors and one or more twelve foot graders. Bids to be accompanied with certified check for five per cent of bid. Bids to be opened at ten o'clock January 14th 1929, at the office of the County Judge at the Court House. Dated at Big Spring, Texas, December 1, 1928. H. R. Debenport, County Judge Howard County, Texas. 12-41

NOTICE TO BIDDERS STATE OF TEXAS

County of Howard. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sealed Bids, addressed to the Commissioner's Court of Howard County, Texas, will be received at the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, up to 10 o'clock a. m., January 14, 1929, for the furnishing of all material and labor and fixtures necessary in the installation of the following: 1. Complete Heating System for the Howard County Jail and Court-house situated in Big Spring, Texas. 2. A Plumbing System for the Howard County Courthouse situated in Big Spring, Texas. The furnishing of all material, fixtures and labor necessary for the installation of the above to be furnished and performed according to plans and specifications which have been adopted therefor, a copy of which plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the County Judge of Howard County, Texas, at Big Spring, Texas. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for five per cent of the amount of such bid, payable without recourse to H. R. Debenport, Judge of Howard County, Texas, as a guarantee that such bidder will enter into a contract within ten days from notice of award to him or them. The above material and labor will be paid for in legally issued time warrants, bearing 8 per cent interest, per annum. H. R. DEBENPORT, County Judge, in and for Howard County, Texas. 14-41

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Howard County, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON. R. E. Sweeney by making publication of this citation once in each week for four (4) successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county (if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 32nd Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 32nd Judicial District.) To appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the court-house thereof, in the City of Big Spring, on the first Monday in February, 1929, the same being the 4th day of February, 1929, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 27th day of September A. D. 1928, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1291, wherein the Haven Tack Company, a corporation, is plaintiff, and Olla Chalk and Mary Chalk of Howard County, Texas, and R. E. Sweeney whose residence is unknown are defendants; said petition alleging as follows: That during the year of 1927 and the first quarter of the year 1928, the defendants, Olla Chalk and R. E. Sweeney were partners in conducting and developing the S. W. 1-4 of

the N. W. 1-4, and the N. E. 1-4 of the S. W. 1-4 of Section No. 24, Block 29, of the W. & N. W. Ry. Co. lands in Howard County, Texas, for the production, saving and sale of mineral, oil and gas and their products. That plaintiff, at the request of defendants, furnished material and labor to the defendants and erected on the said land for the defendants, certain oil tanks and other improvements thereon which were of the reasonable value of \$103,550. That within the time allowed by law plaintiff made and filed with the county clerk of Howard County, Texas, a true and itemized account for the said sum of \$103,550 against defendants and against said improvements as provided by statute and thereby acquired a constitutional and statutory lien on the said land. Improvements thereon and products thereof, which lien and accounts is recorded in the Mechanics and Materialman's Lien Record of Howard County, Texas, in volume 5 at page 600. That defendant R. E. Sweeney is insolvent and his residence is unknown and the defendants Olla Chalk and Mary Chalk are claiming said lands and appropriating the oil and gas products thereof and therefrom, and the rents thereof, and that they are liable to plaintiff for his debt of \$103,550, and legal interest thereon. Plaintiff prays for his debt and foreclosure of his lien and costs of court and general and special relief as set out fully in his petition. Herein fall not, but have you before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, J. I. PRICHARD, Clerk of the District Court of Howard County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Big Spring, Texas, this 22 day of November, A. D. 1928. (S) J. I. PRICHARD, Clerk, District Court, Howard County, Texas. 10-41

NOTICE THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Howard. To all persons interested in the welfare and estate of Pauline A. Melton, a Minor: Notice is hereby given, by publication in one issue of a newspaper published in Howard County, Texas, that on the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1928, there will be presented to, and heard by the County Judge of Howard County, Texas, an application by the undersigned, to make an oil and gas lease to H. P. Morgan and Joe Sherman for a period of five years, upon the land divided one-eighth (1/8) interest owned by said minor in and to all of section Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, and 20, in Block No. 40, Hudspeth County, Texas, aggregating 8000 acres, more or less, as fully appears from said application filed in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1928. CORA M. HOLMES, Guardian of the Person and Estate of Pauline A. Melton, A Minor. 11

NOTICE

To all owners of property in the City of Big Spring, Texas, between the points named on the streets hereinafter set forth, and to all others having or claiming any right title or interest or lien thereupon. WHEREAS, on August 14, 1928, the City Commission of the City of Big Spring, in Howard County, Texas, ordered the improvement of portions of the following named streets in said City: 1. Gregg street from its intersection with the south line of First St. to its intersection with the north line of Fourth Street, excepting its intersection with Third Street, designated as Unit No. 16. 2. Third Street from its intersection with the east line of Donley Street designated as Unit No. 17. 3. Johnson Street from its intersection with the south line of Third Street to its intersection with the south line of Tenth street, designated as Unit No. 18. 4. Fourth street, from its intersection with the east line of Rannels Street to its intersection with the west line of Johnson street, designated as Unit No. 19. 5. Johnson Street, from its intersection with the north line of Third Street to its intersection with the south line of Second Street, designated as Unit No. 20. 6. Second Street, from its intersection with the east line of Johnson Street to its intersection with the west line of Nolan Street, designated as Unit No. 21. 7. Second Street, from its intersection with the west line of Berry Street to its intersection with the east line of Gregg Street designated as Unit No. 22. 8. Tenth Street, from its intersection with the east line of Berry Street to its intersection with the west line of Johnson Street, except the intersection with Main Street and Rannels Street, designated as Unit No. 24. 9. Lancaster street from its intersection with the south line of Third Street to its intersection with the south line of Fifth Street, designated as Unit No. 27. 10. By filing, grading and raising, and by constructing, re-constructing and repairing and or re-aligning curbs, gutters and sidewalks, and by widening, narrowing and or straightening sidewalks, and by constructing appurtenances and

incidental to any such improvement, including drains and culverts where provided for on the plans or called for in the specifications, and by paying the same with either six inch (after compression) or five inch (after compression) Vibrolith Concrete, which order further provided that the owners of property abutting said portions of said streets aforesaid shall pay all cost of constructing, re-constructing, repairing or re-aligning sidewalks and curbs as well as the whole cost of constructing gutters, and not exceeding three-fourths of the remaining costs of such improvements, including intersections, and provided that such costs should be assessed against said property superior to all other liens except lawful ad valorem taxes and that said assessments should be a personal liability against the owners of said property; that the remainder of such cost should be paid by the City of Big Spring; that the sums to be paid by said owners shall fall due in six equal installments as follows: The first installment within thirty days from the completion of said work and acceptance by said City and the remainder in 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years from said date; that said assessments shall bear interest from such date until paid at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable annually as it accrues; that if default is made in payment of either principal or interest thereon when due, the whole of said debt, together with costs of collection and reasonable attorneys fees shall thereupon become due and payable; and that said assessments shall be evidenced by special assessment certificates to be issued by the city to the contractor; and

WHEREAS, contract for making said improvements has been awarded to Carl Pleasant, Inc. and said contract has been duly executed; and

WHEREAS, said contractor has executed a construction bond with good and sufficient surety thereon, which bond has been duly approved by said commission, and meets all the requirements of law in such cases; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has filed with the Commission a statement showing the names of the owners of said parcels of property, a description of such property and the amounts proposed to be assessed against each parcel of property and the owner thereof and the estimated cost of such improvement in front of each parcel of property, which statement has been duly approved by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has set the 8 day of January, 1929, at 10 o'clock a. m., as the time and the Council Chamber in the City Hall in the City of Big Spring, Texas, as the place, for a hearing to be given by said City Commission to all owners of property, and all others who may claim any right, title or interest in and to said property or any lien thereupon at which time and place all such persons shall have an opportunity to be present and make any protest or objection when they desire to make protesting to the making of such improvement or any other question and at which hearing all shall have a full and fair opportunity to be heard, and may subpoena witnesses, produce testimony and be heard either in person or by agent or attorney about any matter, and when said hearing has been had, it will be closed and all such protests or objections will be affirmatively acted upon, but all such protests and objections shall be filed in writing with the City Secretary at or before such hearing; and

WHEREAS, as shown by said Engineer's statement so approved as aforesaid, the total cost of such improvement is estimated to be \$116,397.76 of which amount the City's share is \$26,345.26 and the property owner's share is \$90,052.50. That the estimated cost of curbing per lineal foot in the several units aforesaid is as follows: Unit No. 16—\$1.02017 per lineal foot. Unit No. 17 between Austin Street and Benton Street—\$1.071 per lineal foot. Unit No. 17, between Benton Street and Donley Street—\$1.0661 per lineal foot. Unit No. 18 between Third Street and Fourth Street—\$1.1264 per lineal foot. Unit No. 18 between Fourth Street and Tenth Street—1.1270 per lineal foot. Unit No. 19—\$0.9714 per lineal foot. Unit No. 20—\$0.8933 per lineal foot. Unit No. 21 \$0.5331 per lineal foot. Unit No. 22—\$0.8261 per lineal foot. Unit No. 24—\$0.93114 per lineal foot. Unit No. 27—\$1.00033 per lineal foot. That the estimated cost of all other improvements per front foot in the several Units aforesaid, is as follows: Unit No. 16—\$4.10582 per front foot. Unit No. 17 between Austin Street and Benton Street—\$3.2322 per front foot. Unit No. 17 between Benton Street and Donley Street—\$7.23621 per front foot. Unit No. 18 between Third Street and Fourth Street—\$4.70256 per front foot. Unit No. 18 between Fourth Street and Tenth Street—\$4.30256 per front foot. Unit No. 19—\$3.22296 per front foot. Unit No. 20—\$2.3125 per front foot.

Unit No. 21—\$5.8427 per front foot. Unit No. 22—\$5.96175 per front foot. Unit No. 24—\$3.9923 per front foot. Unit No. 27—\$5.26712 per front foot.

WHEREAS, all proceedings had by said City relating to the making of said improvements are on file with the City Secretary at the City Hall of said City, where the same and every part thereof may be inspected by any one who desires to inspect the same:

Now therefore, you and each of you are notified to be and appear before the City Commission of said City at the time and place mentioned above and for the purposes therein specified. Done by order of the City Commission of the City of Big Spring, Texas on this 31 day of December 1928. Malinda Chesnut, City Secretary. 14-31

There Will Be No County Nurse Here

The county commissioners met in regular session yesterday afternoon and at this session the commissioners were given a last chance to get a county nurse with the state paying half of the expenses. The commissioners turned down the proposition.

Claude Wingo, minister of the First Christian church, now an active member of the United Charles committee, and an ex-school teacher made an appeal to our commissioners for the appropriation of \$1000 to pay for a nurse for the county for one year. The state pays \$1,500 of the expense, and the county has to pay the other \$1,500, but \$500 had already been promised from other sources. This is the last time this offer is to be made in Texas and it is regulated that the conditions of our county's finances are such that our commissioners could not see a way to make this \$1000 appropriation to match the \$2000 from other sources. J. S. McCright was the only commissioner who favored securing the services of a county nurse. The other commissioners, W. B. Sneed, O. C. Kayes and J. O. Rosser, did not favor the county nurse, because they could not see where the finances were coming from. Much suffering might have been alleviated, contagious diseases and even epidemics might have been averted, but—

\$240,000 Cattle Deal Made by Tom Good. Tom J. Good reports the sale of 3400 coming yearling steers to Kilpatrick Brothers of Beatrice Neb. for a cash consideration of \$294,000; or a price of \$86 per head. These are to be delivered to the purchaser at Lancaster, Texas between May the first and fifteenth. J. M. Kilpatrick in writing to close the contract said that while he considered the price of \$86 around a very high price for this class of young stuff, he would rather pay Mr. Good more because their dealings had always been so satisfactory. Then too, they made a good profit on the several thousand head of young steers purchased in 1927, and knew they were going to make a profit on the bunch purchased from him this past Spring. These cattle will be shipped to the Kilpatrick Brother ranches at Imperial and Alliance Nebraska to be finished. This herd of fine young beef cattle is now wintering on Mr. Good's ranch in Dawson county.

Husband With When... BRECKENRIDGE (7)-Shot in the head last Tuesday Rowden, aged 30, from the wood house Murder charge against her husband has been separated. Stripling H... Be Co... Fox Stripling... seven room brick southwest addition one of the prettiest Spring when... The building was being constructed ward and the done by H. C. It is expected will be completed

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DAILY and WEEKLY

CHILD MEETS DEATH UNDER CAR WHEELS TOMORROW'S TALE

At the noon hour Mr. A. R. (Reckless) Driver ran down Little Daring Cross and killed her instantly. The mangled form of the little girl was rushed to one of the local hospitals by the driver, but was too late to save her. The accident occurred at the intersection of Fifth and Runnels streets. The child did not look for cars before crossing the street. When she was in the middle of the street she saw two cars racing down the street a few feet away. She became excited and stopped and then started to run back across the street to avoid hitting another car and possibly kill those in it. Mr. A. (Reckless) Driver was forced to kill the child.

The driver of the ill-fated car is in jail and the little girl is in the hands of the undertaker. The criminal having had time to recover from the shock of the awful deed is hysterically awaiting the decision of the court of justice.

Now, Mr. Other Reckless Driver, supposed it were your child or it were you who had committed this awful deed. How would you feel? Stop and think what you are doing. Help the schools and the city authorities to make our streets less hazardous. Help us by driving carefully especially near our schools. Stop and help the Boy Scouts safely conduct the children across the street at noon and after school each day. Help the city and the schools in their program beginning next Monday. It is urgently and sincerely requested of every parent, man, woman and child of our city that you observe the rules and regulations near the schools. Let us be careful and save a life.

Wells in Settles Pool Improve

Two and a half miles southeast of American Maracibo's No. 1-A Settles, biggest well in Howard County initially, the same company is drilling its No. 1-B Settles, in section 125, block 29, W. and NW survey, was deepened to 2941 feet, nine feet in the deep lime pay, and swabbed at the rate of more than 300 barrels in 12 hours.

The company's No. 1-C Settles, deepened 10 feet to 2228 feet, 20 feet in the pay, swabbed as high as 1386 barrels daily and pumped 501 barrels in 24 hours. Louisiana Refining and Oil Co.'s No. 1 Settles, deepened to 2348 feet, made between 400 and 500 barrels daily. Pumping of No. 1 A Settles was delayed a day when the power house over J. S. Couden and Co.'s pipe line pump was burned Monday night of last week.

Street Lights May Be Ready by Thursday

The construction crew of the Texaco Electric Service company at work installing the automatic traffic signal lights in our city are certainly making good time on this job. From the present outlook they are likely to complete the work a week ahead of schedule. It is probable that the traffic lights can be switched on Thursday of this week.

MY WOTTA JAM! POLICE POST 10 TRAFFIC 'DON'TS'

- Due to the increasing traffic congestion downtown from both autos and pedestrians, Police Captain George Hale has issued 10 "don'ts."
- If each one is observed by shoppers on foot and in cars it will help considerably in relieving the condition and make Fort Worth streets safer, he believes.
- Don't park cars double in the business section.
- Don't turn out from curb without looking behind.
- Don't leave bundles or packages in unlocked autos.
- Don't cross boulevards without first stopping for the intersection.
- Don't pass another auto on the right side.
- Don't exceed past schoolhouses during school hours.
- Don't block right-hand turning lanes.
- Don't make left-hand turns in the business district, except where signs permit.
- Don't park over one hour in parking zones.
- Don't park auto closer than 10 feet to a fire plug.

... SNAKE FACTS ...

The idea that a venomous snake can strike its full length or more, and that it can not strike except from a coiled position, are popular but erroneous beliefs. Biologists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture state. Most of our poisonous snakes, when irritated, can strike from any position, and the greatest length of stroke is about three-fourths their own length.

New Caterpillar Tractor Received

The county received a new Best 60, caterpillar tractor to replace the old tractor which has been in service the past four years.

The new tractor is now in service on our roads.

JUST AS GOOD

"That was a good film," said the movie-goer to the exhibitor. "I can almost see why you advertised it as 'The greatest picture of the century.'"

"See, and don't forget," said the manager. "We have one just as good every week."

'The Family Upstairs' To Be Presented At R and R Lyric, Jan. 2

"The Family Upstairs" a delightful comedy, and a play of the very highest class, is being brought to Big Spring, under the auspices of the Central Ward Parent Teacher Association on Wednesday evening, January 2nd. This is one of the best comedies of recent years and will be presented by a cast of characters that put the play on successfully in New York and other large eastern cities. It is a different class entertainment that is usually brought to cities the size of Big Spring. "The Family Upstairs" will be presented in the R. and R. Lyric theater.

The Story

"The Family Upstairs" is from the pen of Harry Deif. It ran a full season at the Gayety Theater, New York, and was followed by successful runs in many other leading cities of the country. A year ago it was produced on the screen and was one of the outstanding hits of the past season.

It deals with the family squabbles of Mister Average Man. The play is excellent entertainment with uproariously funny lines and situations. It is a modern, up-to-the-minute comedy of home life in the city.

Mr. Bellhax who heads the cast in the role of "Pa Heller" was formerly a character actor of the legitimate stage, but in more recent years had devoted his entire time to individual dramatic work. As a characterist and impersonator he stands in the front rank among America's leading "type" artists and he enjoys a coast to coast reputation as one of the very best. A strong supporting cast will appear with Mr. Bellhax.

Trouble! Trouble! Trouble!

Life was one grand battle in the Heller family. "Ma" nagged, pretended and complained about Pa and his street railway job which paid \$42.50 a week. Brother thought sister was stuck-up. "Pa" could not keep Willie away from the pool hall. Little Sis would not study her piano lessons and big Sis could not entertain her beau without having her family "sit in" at the centering. Poor old Dad was the center of a never ending domestic free-for-all but he went along in his own meek way until grim tragedy began to threaten. Then it was that Dad became reincarnated into a fighter and a man of action. Then it was that he took over the personal management of his family and he did the job suddenly and effectively. In spite of all the scolding, complaining, nagging and bluffing there is a mighty pretty love theme running throughout the play and all ends happily.

Oil Man Will Be Buried Friday

Breckenridge Masons will have charge of the last rites of E. P. La Plante, division superintendent for the Marland Oil Company of this territory, who died Monday morning at his new home in Big Spring. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon. The exact hour of the burial will be announced when it is learned what time relatives living in distant parts will arrive here.

Mr. La Plante's body was received this morning by M. P. Kiker, local funeral director. Mr. Kiker made a trip to Eastland to take charge of the body. Burial will be made at the Breckenridge cemetery.

Mr. La Plante, or better known as "Jeff" among the local oil men, died after a short illness with influenza. He had been transferred to Big Spring two weeks ago by his company. He is survived by his wife and many relatives.—Breckenridge American.

Dr. W. O. Barnard made a business trip to Midland Monday. He was accompanied by Cecil A. Long and Loy Mitchell. They made the trip in the Air-King biplane, belonging to Frank R. King.

Full History of Evolution Is Found In Wilds of New Mexico

BERKELEY, Cal. Dec. 19. (AP).—Discovery of an area said to contain "a full history of evolution" in fossils and declared to be so valuable to scientists that they would not reveal its location other than to say it is in New Mexico, was announced here last night by the University of California scientists.

The men who returned to Berkeley with about a ton of fossils for classification, said the earthbed contained specimens from every geologic age, from 75,000,000 years ago down to 7,000,000 years ago.

The discoverers are Prof. C. L. Camp, curator of amphibians and reptiles in the museum of vertebrate zoology, and V. L. Vanderhoof, museum collector. They said their find was made in a section of the state so remote that the natives thresh their grain with hand flails, and grind their own flour. Schools are 75 miles apart, the residents seldom speak English, and are deeply religious. The people castigate themselves with whips and wear cactus in their sandals by way of penance for their sins.

The university's expedition found there a place where the continental divide had pushed up and exposed to view the many ancient strata containing the fossils.

STABILIZING OIL

It is expected that far-reaching and important results will come from the efforts being made by the oil industry to formulate a code of fair practices for the marketing of petroleum and its products. The movement is being made to determine exactly what constitutes fair and unfair business conduct.

Ultimately, if the proposed code is as successful as it is hoped, it will have a stabilizing effect on the industry, with consequent savings to both the producers and the consuming public.

It is obvious that "oil wars" and radical price cuttings and like practices are economically unsound and can only have a deleterious effect on the producers and eventually on the public to whom petroleum products have become a basic necessity.

Board's Power on Proration Is Questioned

Injunctions Granted in Two Cases As Test of Situation; Winkler Contracts Involved

AUSTIN, Dec. 19 (AP).—The state railroad commission's power to regulate oil and gas production in Texas through limitation and proration of production will be tested in two cases in which district court injunctions were granted today pending final hearing.

The commission was enjoined temporarily in one case from enforcing proration rules against the Murchison Oil company and Cranfill Oil company which alleged that their ability to execute sales contracts with the American Petroleum company are impaired by the proration order in the Winkler county field, reducing their 21,000 daily potential production from 8 wells to 1400 barrels daily.

Similar allegations are made in the other case in which the Murchison company and T. P. Lee were granted a temporary injunction.

Effect of proration on sales contracts was one of the main issues in the hearing some months ago when the limit on the field was ordered.

Decision Made in Oil Field Row

AUSTIN, Dec. 19 (AP).—Chairman Clarence E. Gilmore of the state railroad commission said today that it probably will be several days before the commission makes its decision in the state's application to have oil wells spaced 1,000 feet from property lines in the Gray and Wheeler county river bed area, part of which is involved in the state's pending court suit for title against C. W. Bradford and others.

New Contender For Lightweight Honors

CHICAGO, Dec. 20. Twenty year old Cuban named Jose, Armando fighting under the warlike nom de plume of Armando Santiago, has become the foremost contender of the world's junior lightweight championship as a result of his surprising two-round knockout victory over Joey Sangor, of Milwaukee.

Sangor, hitherto regarded as the outstanding contender for the 130 pound title, was smashed to defeat in a spectacular battle that stunned the 10,000 spectators who filled the Coliseum. The freckled faced Milwaukee boy had accepted the match merely as a warmup for his championship encounter with Ted Morgan, of Seattle, the titleholder, in Milwaukee on New Year's Day.

The upset of Sangor was the feature of the revival of boxing at the Coliseum, which also witnessed the victory of Tommy Loughran of Philadelphia, world's light heavyweight champion scored over "Big Boy" Peterson of Minneapolis.

Loughran, bidding for fame as a heavyweight championship contender, decisively beat his heavier and taller opponent in ten rounds, spotting his 173-4 pounds in weight.

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Cotton Men Seeking Data in Worm War

Howard County Board Meets and Adopts Program to Gather Information

The Howard county legislative committee of the West Texas Cotton Growers protective association held a meeting in the office of the chamber of commerce Wednesday and outlined a program for the collection of information in preparation for the state legislature reasons for an appropriation to take care of the fumigation and sterilization expense imposed over the pink boll worm zone in West Texas.

Ginners, compress managers and cotton buyers were represented at this meeting. A blank form was prepared that will be sent to ginners over the district calling for the cost of sterilization machinery, cost of extra labor in maintaining this equipment, extra cost of fuel and the general expense of sterilization and fumigation of cotton and seed due to the requirements imposed by the pink boll worm commission.

This information is to be compiled and sent to the Big Spring chamber of commerce on or before January 2. The legislature in its January term will be informed as to the cost of sterilization and fumigation of cotton and cotton seed over the affected area.

It was the opinion of the session today that the requirements are unnecessary as no pink boll worms were found in the Howard county area this year and that complete eradication has taken place in the Howard county area due to the fact that the requirements were adhered to one hundred per cent.

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Delicious refreshments consisting of sandwiches, cakes, tea and olives were served to: Margaret Bettle, Veda Robinson, Maxine Thomas, Lena Kyle, Elda Mae Cochran, Cora Ashley, Zillah Mae Ford, Mary Gene Dubberly, Imogene Runyan, Polly Webb, Winelle Kavanaugh and Lennah Rose Black.

Bride-Elect Honored At Surprise Shower

Miss Dorothy Cudds Fleeman bride elect of Wayne Parrish was the honoree at a delightfully planned miscellaneous shower last evening, when Misses Grace Ewing and Jessie Morgan entertained in her honor. The affair was given at the Fleeman home and was a surprise to the honoree. Twenty guests assembled at the home where they enjoyed bridge and various other kinds of games. At the conclusion of the play the honoree was presented with many beautiful and useful trousseau gifts.

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Lindbergh Approved Plane, Ford Tri-motored, All Steel Construction Will Visit Our Airport

A plane similar to the one recently purchased by Col. Chas. A. Lindbergh, for his air transport company, will visit the Big Spring Airport, west of town, Sunday. This will undoubtedly be the largest plane that has ever been seen in Big Spring.

The American Legion In 1929

"We are going to do our best this year in Texas," says Rufus Scott, Department Commander of the American Legion, to benefit every man, woman and child. We are tremendously proud of our state its rich history, its wonderful present and its future possibilities. I have asked our 350 posts to really serve their communities in all communities in all worthy undertakings. Encourage our boys thru Boy Scout work and the organization of Junior Baseball Teams. Teach them to be generous victors and game losers, to play the game fairly and squarely, cooperation and loyalty to their fellows and the "game." That's Texas guarantee of a good crop of citizens.

Paved Road to Oil Fields To Be Started

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 20.—After nearly three years constant effort, San Angelo and Tom Green county are near their goal of starting a concrete paved highway west of here toward the oil fields of West Texas over the Petroleum Highway, for at the recent meeting of the Highway Commission, Gib Gilchrist, state engineer, was instructed to let the contract for 16 miles of pavement from San Angelo west to the Irion county line.

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Many Building Projects Under Way Here

Good time is now being made on the following big building projects in our city:

Six story Petroleum building, foundation work now in progress.

Big Spring Refrigeration plant on East Third St. brick work completed and work on interior now underway.

Roman business block at corner of West Third and Scurry, work on interior now in progress.

J. M. Radford business block corner of East First and Runnels Streets now working on the interior.

H. Clay and Earl Read business block at the corner of East Second and Runnels Streets brick work on walls.

Big Spring Hospital the brick work is now nearing completion.

The Bivings and Barcus Hospital now working on the interior of the building.

The roof is now being placed on the two story Lester building on East Third Street.

Brick work is going forward on the King garage building just south of the King Chevrolet building on Johnson Street.

The Currie et al building at the corner of East Fourth and Runnels Street brick work completed and roof now being put on.

Warehouses for National Supply Company making progress.

The foundation for Fox Stripling business block on West Third St. has been completed.

The big warehouse of the Clem Lumber company on West First St. is going forward.

The \$150,000 addition to the High School building will be completed by January 15.

Work on the three refineries east of Big Spring is going forward at a fast clip.

New homes continue to be started in every section of Big Spring.

COOPER INTRODUCES SUPER TIRE IN NEW ARMORED "8"

An entirely new tire known as the "Cooper 8 Custom Built" is being introduced by the Cooper Corporation of Findlay, Ohio. It is announced by Ralph H. Prinz of Dallas, district manager for Cooper. The new Cooper product was shown dealers for the first time at the National Tire Dealers' Association Convention in Boston and will be introduced to Texas dealers at the convention of the Texas State Tire Dealers' Association in Fort Worth, December 12.

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