

THE WEATHER
West Texas, tonight fair, somewhat colder in southeast portion with heavy frost. Friday, cloudy except unsettled in west portion; somewhat warmer Friday.

Archbishop of York: "A university degree is no proof whatever of all that we should mean by education."

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EASTLAND

On the "Broadway of America"

BRIEFINGS

Did you ever have anyone give you a piece of cake, and follow with a dose of ground glass for a chaser? Or better still, has anyone ever straightened your tie while you are in front of him and then he gives you a swift one in the pantaloons?

Why just this morning, we were chilled from our comfortably tepid business above. It was cold, unfoot, and freezing overhead. Weavers intervening yards via pedestrian power. Our nose became blue, our fingers grew numb.

We were asked to do something other. Our chest — which has such a habit we are told — became flared. People seldom ask us to do things. And just as that was wished this presumptuous person caused us of attacking "people of things in this daily bit.

That was just like a pan full of old water after a Turkish bath. It was a fly in the soup, quinine an all day sucker. We attack people! We do that! Surely something is wrong. They must not see us.

Why bring imputations against none. We live and let live, love of are level, but we do not attack. Such an accusation surely is only horseplay. Such a suspicion by all means is haywire.

But that is neither here, nor here, nor yonder. The thing is, that happened to the three cornered beaver board Santa Claus that had to be on the Courthouse flagpole? What happened to it?

We are told that someone or something took one of his ribs, or portion of his spine, or something.

It seems that when the boys wanted the stairs that lead to the very heights of the county building, disheveled Santa Claus had a torn limb from limb.

Now that was a three cornered Santa Claus. What we mean is that was a triangle. It had three sides. And a picture of the red checked gentlemen was on each of the three sides.

Someone had taken a hammer and knocked one of the sides away and vanished into space. It had been torn asunder. Some say it was the wind. Maybe it was.

But that is not the thing. What is the thing really is, we maintain, that: Is it time to start one's Christmas shopping?

That's not very important just now though. We believe the foremost thing is, a solution of that kind charge which was filed against us this chilly a. m.

It made our proud chin drop to our chest. Our shoulders sagged, our breath came heavy and fast, we defame people? We do that? Only this persons was think of Senator Tom Heflin, or maybe one of our contemporaries.

DALLAS BLAZE INJURES THREE

By United Press. DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 20 — Two men were hurt and \$50,000 damage resulted last night from fire which swept the second floor of a two-story building occupied by the Hunt Grocery store in the east of the business district here. Firemen G. W. Lawson and C. G. City were injured when a section of the building collapsed. Condition of neither was serious. The fire raged for two hours before it was brought under control.

ACCIDENTS KILL 44, HURT 278, DEC. 8-15

The Texas Council of Safety, Austin, furnishes the following summary of accidents, their character and result for the week of December 8 to 15: Automobile, 198 injured, 26 killed. Railway Train, 21 injured, 0 killed. Interurban car, 0 killed, 0 injured. Street Car, 2 injured, 0 killed. Aeroplane, 0 injured, 0 killed. Other Vehicles, 5 injured, 0 killed. Falls, 14 injured, 0 killed. Burns, 5 injured, 4 killed. Drowning, 0 injured, 0 killed. Firearms, 9 injured, 5 killed. Explosives, 6 injured, 4 killed. Other Causes, 18 injured, 2 killed. Total, 278 injured, 44 killed. Of the above, 9 were injured and 1 killed in home accidents and 11 injured and 1 killed in industrial accidents. January 1, 1928 to date 9023 injured and 1859 killed in accidents of all kinds, and for corresponding period, 1927—3495 injured and 1770 killed.

GIRL IS LEADING IN MYSTERIOUS RACE

Construction Of University To Start Soon

MATERIAL BEING PLACED ON GROUND

L. D. Spaw, Houston, Selected As Supervisor of Three Structures.

Dr. J. T. Wilson, president of Warner Memorial University, being established in Eastland, stated today that orders were now being placed for the material to be used in the construction of buildings for the school. In fact some of the material is now on the ground.

L. D. Spaw, engineer of Houston, has been employed by the Board of Trustees of the school, to supervise the construction work. He expects to be in Eastland not later than January 15 to take active charge of the work. No contract is to be let.

Three Buildings. At least three buildings, an administration building and two dormitories are to be constructed next year and these are to be ready for the opening of the university next fall.

Fortunately for the school the teaching staff employed when it was thought the school would open this last fall is available. In fact most of them took advantage of the opportunity to spend another year in school. They will be ready for the opening of the school when the buildings are completed.

GRAHAM BUSES REPLACE JITNEYS

After operating Graham Brothers motor coaches more than 24,500,000 miles on its streets, Detroit's Department of Street Railways has placed orders for 120 more coaches with this division of Dodge Brothers Corporation.

This is in answer to a recent decision handed down by the Supreme Court of Michigan, which ruled the jitneys from certain streets of the motor metropolis after a legal battle extending over seven years. The decision to substitute a deluxe bus service for the thousands of daily patrons of the jitneys came immediately on the heels of the court order.

The first purchase of 30 was announced almost immediately after the jitneys were taken from the streets. A second order followed for an additional 90 Graham coaches of the speedy, 16-passenger parlor type used in city and in interurban transportation from coast to coast.

This coach offers many outstanding features in appearance, comfort, seating arrangement, motive power and operating safety. It is equipped with individual leather, air cushion seats over spring base, and is driven by a powerful six-cylinder motor with four speed transmission. The utmost in economical and dependable service is claimed by the manufacturers, Lockheed hydraulic four-wheel internal expanding brakes insuring safety in operation. The hand brake operates on the propeller shaft. The heating system is of the fan blower type, air being brought in heated and sent through the coach. Three ventilators are located in the roof, one in the cowl, with an overhead electric fan near the door.

Predicts Influenza Will Afflict 3,000,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20 — With the wave of the influenza epidemic steadily approaching the larger centers of population, public health officials today predicted a total of 3,000,000 cases by Christmas. Reports indicate that 700,000 persons are now afflicted. If the present rate is maintained there will probably be 500,000 new cases for the week ending December 22.

He Had Keys for \$2,000,000 Dope



Joseph Myers, alias Unger, is shown as he appeared shortly after his arrest in Buffalo, charged with having in his possession keys and checks for two trunks seized in New York containing \$2,000,000 worth of drugs. Buffalo narcotic agents made the arrest. The name of Arnold Rothstein, slain New York gambler, has been linked with ownership of the drugs.

CONTEST JUDGING FRIDAY NIGHT

Few Have Entered Christmas Lighting Contest of Retail Merchants' Association.

Despite the fact that few have entered the Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by the Retail Merchants' Association some weeks ago, judging of the displays will be held Friday night. Miss Ann Hardin, secretary of the organization, announced today.

To date, only 15 have entered the contest. This includes those entering displays of showwindows and yard displays. Wayne C. Hickey, secretary of the Ranger Commercial organization, and Mrs. Alice B. True, secretary of the Ranger Retail Merchants' Association, have been obtained as judges. It is probable that J. E. T. Peters, secretary of the Cisco chamber of commerce, will make the third judge.

One prize of \$10 will be given to the store in the business district having the best decorated and lighted show window. Three prizes, amounting to \$25 will be given for the best lighted yards. The latter prize is divided into three divisions, namely: first, \$15, second 7.50, third \$7.50.

BRITISH SHIP FIRED UPON

HONG KONG, China, Dec. 20 — Active fighting at Changhuang, 1000 miles up the Yang-tse river from Shanghai in the province of Szechwan is in progress.

Shore batteries of machine guns and field pieces fired on a British steamer. The British gunboat Fern is proceeding to the scene from 200 miles distance to protect British lives.

Authorities are preparing to evacuate the city and have thrown bridges across the stream to facilitate movement of the population. Some anxiety is also prevailing at Hankow where officials of the Tax bureau are threatening to enter and tax British property, contrary to treaty rights.

Earthquake Felt This Morning

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 20 — A strong earthquake was felt this morning along the region from Valparaiso to the seaport Concepcion. No casualties have been reported.

County Officials Are Moving Offices

Court of Civil Appeals, County Clerk, Treasurer and Others In New Courthouse.

Justice of the Peace Jim Steele was the first official to move into the new courthouse which has just been completed. Also he was the first official to transact any business in the new structure since immediately after moving in Tuesday he tried a misdemeanor case.

Jim Steele was the first official to move into the courthouse that was torn away to make room for the present one when that building was first completed. He was serving as Justice of the Peace at that time. He has served contingently as Justice of the Peace since that time, however, but for many years was deputy sheriff of the County.

County clerk R. L. Jones has moved into the new courthouse as has County Treasurer T. L. Cooper. County auditor W. S. Michael will move in this afternoon. Also the Eleventh Court of Civil Appeals has moved in.

Commissioner Bert Brittain, who has charge of moving the officials into the new building, stated this afternoon. County Superintendent Miss Beulah Speer, will be moved in next and that Saturday Tax Collector A. M. Hearn and Assessor W. J. Herrington would be moved in.

Large Plane Brings Santa Claus For Visit

Santa Claus, traveling in a big tri-motored Ford aeroplane, landed this morning at the Eastland airport for a day's visit with the children of Eastland and vicinity. Provided with a supply of candy Santa Claus gave each child present, or at least those who told him they "had been good boys and girls," a supply of candy.

Santa Claus was brought to Eastland by the progressive merchants of the city for the special benefit and entertainment of the children.

The big aeroplane in which Santa Claus is traveling is a "vertiball" plane. It has a passenger capacity of 18 persons, is equipped with three 220 horsepower Wright Whirlwind motors, either of which is capable of keeping the plane in the air for a considerable time and any two of which will keep the ship in the air indefinitely.

R. S. Riggs, who has been piloting aeroplanes for more than seven years, is the pilot. The home port of the big plane is Morris, Minnesota.

In the party traveling with Santa Claus is J. H. O'Brien, Roy Woodbridge, Gus Peterson, Herbert Ruzhenberg, who is the pilot of a small Travelair plane; Mrs. J. M. Kenyon and little five-year old daughter, Delois.

Santa and his party came to Eastland this morning from Abilene where they stopped Wednesday for a visit with the folks in that city. They will leave Eastland tomorrow for Ranger.

This afternoon at 4:30 the Eastland school children will go in a body to the airport where Santa Claus will make them a speech and pass out candy and other good things to eat.

THREE CREWS TO WORK ROAD

Buey & Son, who were awarded the contract for doing the dirt work on highways Nos. 23 and 67 in Eastland county, will have three crews of men at work not later than January 5, according to J. W. Puckett of Stamford, resident engineer for the State Highway Department, who was in Eastland today.

One crew will work out of Romney towards Cisco while the other two will work north and south out of Eastland on highway 67. The work should be completed by the latter part of May, Mr. Puckett said.

Hoover at the Equator



Over the side of the U. S. S. Maryland, as it crossed the equator on its way south with the Hoover party, clambered King Neptune, capturing the ship and all who never before had been "below the line." Mr. and Mrs. Hoover were exempt, for he had crossed the equator fourteen times. But their son, Allan, and some 800 others of the guests, officers and men were hazed by Neptune, shown here with Mrs. Hoover, the president-elect and Captain Kimberly of the Maryland.

FATHER OF GIRL SAYS HE KNOWS NOTHING

Mystery Surrounds Cross Country Chase By Uncle Of Girl. Girl Leaves Train.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 20 — Kenneth B. Coulter, whose niece, Miss McDonnell, has thus far outdistanced Dr. D. O. Leeker of Buffalo, New York in a race to San Francisco, said today he knew nothing at all about the matter.

Dr. Leeker is chasing Miss McDonnell across the country in an airplane. She was due to arrive in Oakland, Calif., this morning, but when the train reached Oakland, the conductor said she left the train at Berkeley, where he said she was going to visit relatives.

Dr. Leeker was forced to land his airplane at Salt Lake City last night and was unable to get a pilot to take him on to San Francisco today. He is on his way there now however.

Mystery surrounds the chase. Newspapers in Berkeley were unable to find her at the station there. It has been impossible to determine why Dr. Leeker is chasing the girl across the continent.

He told questioners that he merely was attempting to reach her to take her to her parents in Indianapolis.

In Indianapolis however, parents of the name he gave could not be located and it is rumored that the girl was in possession of passports, jewelry and money which he was trying to retain. Miss McDonnell has not yet been located in Berkeley.

Closely guarded by a nurse, she left the Overland Limited at Berkeley, entered a taxicab and was driven away. The cause of the chase is mysterious. Miss McDonnell is reported to have disappeared from her home three weeks ago. She was later found in Omaha, Leeker reached Omaha just in time to learn she had left for San Francisco.

HOUSE BOAT FOR HOOVER

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 20 — The 98 foot motor houseboat of J. Millbank has left for Florida to be placed at the disposal of Herbert Hoover when the president-elect arrives after concluding his South American tour.

It is believed Mr. Hoover will remain on the boat much of the time until about March 1 when he will leave the Florida coast to go to Washington for his inauguration.

O'Brien, one of the advance men with the Kenyon Transportation Company's plane, said that one of the features of the Eastland airport is its nearness to the paved highway and to the city itself.

GIRL FLYER MAKES RECORD

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., Dec. 20 — A 28-year old girl flying student today equalled the unofficial record for endurance flights for women when Miss Viola Genry soared over Roosevelt Field at 1:14 o'clock.

She had been in the air for 7 1/2 hours. The record was made by Mrs. Heath. Her last message indicated she was warm although she was in an exposed cockpit and the temperature was cool. She wore two heavy flying suits over her winter clothing.

MOODY ISSUES REQUISITION

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 20 — Governor Moody today issued requisition for return from Los Angeles, Calif., of George Brannan to answer a charge of killing Claud Lester in Dallas last August.

All Star Backfield Of Oilbelt Team Is Best In The League

Tickets for Game To Be Played At Eastland For Benefit of Stadium Fund Go On Sale. Large Crowd Expected For Inter-Sectional Battle.

What kind of an aggregation will Coach Joe Gibson send against the invading Fort Worth and Dallas high schools' all-star team? Cast critical eyes over the men he has picked for the backfield which will represent the oilbelt.

It will, of course, be built around Lee Hammett, Ranger high school quarterback, who was declared ineligible late in the season. Hammett needs little introduction to this portion of West Texas. He kicks, he passes, he charges the line, he circles ends. He does them all not only well, but better than any other man in this district by the majority of the scribes who do such things.

Cisco sends two able representatives—Eddleman and Little. Either of the two is dangerous. Little is always dangerous when he has a chance in the world of getting a five yard start on a broken field. Although at times his work is overshadowed by that of his less notorious teammates, he is a good cap he was placed by the pickers as the all district selection for second string quarter.

His work in all games this year stood out. He sends the ball where he wants it to go. He can take a drubbing on the field better than any small man in this conference.

Then comes the Eagle trio—Phelps, Smith and Kincaid. Heavy men, all of them. Players who charge the line for gains. Smith and Phelps have done practically all of the ball toting for the Eagles this year and they have done it well. They had little trouble in being picked for all district berths by the majority of the scribes who do such things.

His passing is the most accurate of any player's in the district. He punts often and deep. He sends ritory whenever his foot makes contact with the ball. He is light and swift.

Backing him up is Connie Smith of Eastland high school, whose passing is rated second only to Hammett's. He too is a lightweight, but in spite of that hand-

CHRISTMAS SEAL PURCHASERS

Little by little the \$500 quota set by the Eastland division of the Texas Public Health Association, is coming nearer to realization. Although yesterday's total from the sale of Christmas Seals was small, the present total is \$278.25, according to Mrs. J. A. Beard, treasurer.

Annual Dinner Will Be Served To Newsboys

Following a custom of 10 years' standing, the Majestic Cafe will serve a Christmas dinner to all Eastland newsboys and messenger boys.

The usual turkey dinner will be served to the boys who cry their daily wares upon Eastland streets. George Karantonis, Ernest Halkias and Sam Diamond, proprietors of the cafe, will supervise the dinner.

The Christmas meal has been served by the establishment every Yuletide since the business was organized.

O'BRIEN PRAISES EASTLAND PORT

When completed, Eastland will have a splendid airport and landing field, in fact it will be one of the best in West Texas, according to J. H. O'Brien and members of the party with the big tri-motored Ford plane which spent the day here today carrying passengers for aeroplane rides from the airport.

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CHRISTMAS SEAL PURCHASERS

Table listing names and amounts for Christmas Seal purchasers, including Mr. Harry Brelsford, H. A. McCannules, Dr. J. H. Canon, B. D. Hampton, G. Harvey King, Guy Parker, Joseph W. Miller, J. N. Poe, Mrs. Eugene Andrews, J. W. Ewing, Mrs. John Earnest, Mr. J. A. Beard, Edgar W. Owens, Robert Hammett, Mrs. Iola Mitchell and Roth Mitchell, Jesse Williams, Dr. L. C. Brown, Omer Mickle, and William Vickers.

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**CHILDREN AND THE CITY.**  
The Children's Aid society of New York held an annual meeting the other night, and speakers presented some figures that make disquieting reading for an American who likes to think that his country is steadily progressing.

William Edward Hall, president of the Boys' Club federation, declared that no fewer than 37,505 boys were brought before the courts for violating the law.

"Every boy in the city of New York, when he reaches the age of 16, has at least a one to three chance that his name will be a part of the criminal records of this city before he reaches his majority," said Mr. Hall.

"Another speaker told of sections of the city where boys of 11 and 12 are enrolled in regular gangs, organized for professional theft. Another told how 9-year-old children indulge in crap shooting and occasional burglaries as part of their childhood games.

"These figures are disturbing enough to give one pause. And it isn't particularly consoling that they reflect conditions in New York city alone. New York is only a magnified picture of all of our cities. Conditions there can be found, in greater or lesser degree, in every other city.

"When adults jam themselves into cities, the children inevitably suffer. The reason these youngsters join street gangs and learn the ways of crime is not that they are inherently vicious; it is simply that they lack places to play. Youth is bound to cut capers, get exercise and seek fun; and if it can't do these things in a normal way, it will do them in an abnormal way.

"The man who is bringing up a family in a small city or town does not often realize how fortunate he is. In the city child, unless his parents have comfortable means, is exposed to corrupting influences from which he ought to be shielded."

**DELAY IN ACTION ON MAJOR BILLS**

**Warring Factions of Senate Agree To Delay Consideration of Anti-War Treaty and Naval Bill.**

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 20.—After a filibuster lasting more than two hours, the warring Senate factions agreed this afternoon to delay consideration of both the Kellogg anti-war treaty and the naval cruiser building bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 20.—The Senate action on the nomination of Roy O. West as secretary of the interior will be delayed until after the holidays recess, Chairman Nye of the public lands committee announced today.

**Panama Governor To Visit Dallas**

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 20.—Col. Harry Burgess, the governor of Panama, will arrive in Dallas to spend Christmas at the home of his sisters, Misses Dora Willie and Fannie Burgess. He will be met at the station by representatives of the Chamber of Commerce. This will be his first visit to Dallas.



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**SOCIETY**  
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**FRIDAY**  
Public Library open 2 to 5:30 p. m., Community Clubhouse.

Royal Neighbors of America, 9 p. m., Health Club, residence Mrs. Kellett.

Mission Band of Christian church 4 p. m., Mrs. W. Z. Outward, hostess, at residence.

Xmas Tree Party in church 6:30 p. m., Program, Church of Christ.

Miss Wilda Drago and Mrs. Charles G. Norton hostesses to student classes, the Drago violin Ensemble and Rhythmic Band 7:30 p. m., Lower assembly hall Methodist church, Invitational.

Elks Dance 9 'til 1; Elders Imperial Orchestra, College boys and girls home from holidays specially invited.

**INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT ENTERTAINED THIS AFTERNOON:**  
The Intermediate Department of the Methodist church will be entertained in their assembly room, from 4:30 to 5:30 o'clock, when a Xmas Tree will be a feature, this afternoon, Thursday.

Mrs. W. R. Carlisle is superintendent of this department.

**JUNIOR DEPARTMENT ENTERTAINED THIS EVENING:**  
Mrs. A. F. Taylor, superintendent of the Junior Department of the Methodist Sunday School, and the officers and teachers of the department will entertain the Juniors, in their department classroom at seven o'clock this evening when a Xmas tree and program will be the features of the occasion. Mothers bringing children that are not members of the junior department are asked to be provided with small gifts for these little visitors.

The contributions will be placed on the tree with the others provided for the department.

**HONORS BIRTHDAY OF TWINS SEVENTY-SIX YEARS OLD:**  
Mrs. Helen Simmons entertained with a family dinner Tuesday evening honoring the birthday of Mr. E. Y. Simmons, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and his twin brother Mr. C. H. Simmons of Eastland, a pioneer.

The passing of their seventy-sixth milestone was commemorated and the double birthday cake, was an honor to the occasion.

Mr. E. Y. Simmons has been the guest of his niece Mrs. W. A. Martin, for the past two weeks, and left this afternoon for a trip thru southern Texas.

**MARTHA DORCAS CLASS XMAS PARTY:**  
The Martha Dorcas Bible Class of the Methodist Church enjoyed a very delightful Xmas party, Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. W. A. Martin, house hostess, how hospitality was shown by the co-hostesses for the afternoon, Meses. Henry Liles, E. T. Murray, and Guy Quinn.

The program opened with devotional conducted by Mrs. Martin who is president of the Class, and who gave a beautiful Xmas message.

The Christmas spirit was evidenced in the soft light shed by the red lamp shading the electrolights, and the bright beams from the red tapers in silver sticks, that spaced the mantle and buffet.

The dining table, laid in file, was centered with a large bowl of red tulips, and a very gay Xmas tree, twinkling with many hued

electric bulbs, added the finishing touch to the scene.

The exchange gifts of Xmas souvenirs included perfumes, toilet articles and other dainty objects, which were distributed from the tree.

Mrs. S. P. Rumph, teacher of the class was presented a framed, verse, "Friendship," a gift expression of the appreciation of the class.

In the question game, the papers for the answers were cut in the form of Xmas stockings.

Dainty refreshments of ice cream, in Santa Claus molds, date and nut cake with coffee, were served, and souvenirs were distributed by Thomas Haley Jr., and Mary Ann Murray, who passed dainty baskets filled with red and green game stockings, packed with Xmas nuts and candies.

The members of the Dorcas Class brought individual gifts for their orphan at the Methodist Orphanage in Waco, and these lovely gifts will be sent the little girl this week.

The class also will mail Xmas greeting cards to many former members and others who have visited the Martha Dorcas the past year and who are now scattered over the United States.

Those present were Meses. L. A. Cook, D. C. Hawley, Sam Harris, Thomas J. Haley, W. L. Van Geem, J. M. Perkins, A. E. Herring, W. G. Bull, Howard Brock, D. O. Harrell, W. B. Harris, J. W. Miller, O. O. Mickel, S. P. Rumph, C. C. Robey, F. O. Hunter, W. H. Mullings, T. K. Edwards, Grady Pipkin, E. D. Townsend, George W. Shearer and hostesses.

Before adjournment, the company gathered around the piano, and sang a number of Xmas carols.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. R. C. Ferguson, on the third Friday in January.

**SCALE RUNNERS CLASS ENTERTAINED:**  
The Scale Runners Class enjoyed a very pretty little party at the home of their hostess Mrs. A. F. Taylor, Wednesday afternoon, when the session was conducted by L. G. Tucker, their president, with minutes read by Betty Perkins, secretary.

A quarterly election of officers was held. The new officers will hold office for three months.

Personnel, Ruth Harris, president; Pauline Bida, vice president; Betty Perkins, secretary; (re-elected); Faye Tucker, treasurer, Frances Caywood, Parliamentarian and Delpha May Blair reporter.

A pretty little program of musical numbers was presented, opening with selections a and b, "Life Let Us Cherish," and "Cuckoo Clock," Jean Johnson, "Music on the Lake," piano duet, Earline Pittzor and Ruby Nell Bean.

A, b and c, numbers, "School Parade," "Maypole Dance," and "The Answer," Delpha May Blair, "Guitano," piano, Pauline Bida. A complimentary piano solo was presented by Betty Perkins.

From a pretty Xmas tree gayly lighted with many colored electric bulbs, Beethoven books were distributed as favors.

Several games were delightful features of the afternoon. The entire home was decorated with holly wreaths, and a large bouquet of red flowers centered the dining table.

Attractive and delicious refreshments of strawberry jello with whipped cream, green tinted toppin dotted with candied cherries, Xmas candies, cake, and hot chocolate with marshmallow top, were served Ruth Harris, Pauline Bida, Faye Tucker, Frances Caywood, Betty Perkins, Ruby Nell Bean, L. G. Tucker, Jean Johnson, Delpha Mae Blair, Annie Jane Taylor and Dorothy Connelley, a little guest

of the afternoon.

Adjourned to the first Tuesday in January, with Earline Pittzor, and Ruth Harris as co-hostess.

**STORY HOUR: A DELIGHTFUL EVENING:**  
A friendly greeting was extended by Miss Mary Sue Rumph on the occasion of the Story Telling Hour, when students in expression of Eastland Hi, were entertained, in the hospitable Rumph residence Wednesday evening.

A cordial light gleamed from the brightly lighted windows, hung with holly wreaths; and a holly wreath on the door, and the porch bathed in softly tinted red gleams, informed the guests that Xmas was nearby here.

From a dainty appointed table, in the living room the hostess served a delicious punch with wafers, as the guests were received.

The program opened with a story of a Boy from the Penrod series by Booth Tarkington, presented by Ruth Harris.

A monologue, "A Summer Afternoon," by Lillian Holmes Strack was given by Louise Day.

Lorraine Taylor read a very beautiful and sad selection, a story of a Russian musician's life, "The Music Master" by Charles Klein.

Beth Judkins, gave a very clever monologue, "At A Studio Musicale" and Polly Rumph, another Penrod selection, "Little Gentleman."

The program concluded with a reading by Gwendoline Jones, a junior student, who substituted for Margerie Spencer, and presented, "A Model Letter To A Friend" by Tarkington.

The evening was an unusual and very artistic one. The young people included Ray Mildred Hearn, Hazel Tilley, Teresa Vernon, Margerie Spencer, Ruth Hearn, Beth Judkins, Gwendoline Jones, Lorraine Taylor, Anna Laura Rosenquest and Josephine Martin. The patrons Meses. A. M. Hearn, C. F. Robey, W. L. Spencer, A. F. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Day, Meses. T. J. Haley, W. K. Jackson, S. P. Rumph, Miss Reva Seabery, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Martin.

**REREKAH LODGE PLANS WATCH PARTY:**  
A number of important business matters were transacted at the meeting of the Rebekah Lodge on Wednesday night.

The session was conducted by Miss Opal Hunt, the Noble Grand, who had with her, in consultation, a committee from the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, represented by Messrs Lankford, H. A. Collins, and A. J. Treadwell.

The Rebekahs will pack baskets for the poor and needy of Eastland, on Friday for distribution. Committee Meses. Haynes, J. G. Badders, and Rose Hawley.

Plans were made for a big "watch party" on the thirty-first of December to be held in the hall, when the New Year will be greeted. A committee will arrange a program for the evening, in which Miss Opal Hunt, and Mrs. Haynes will collaborate on behalf of the Rebekahs with the committee from the I. O. O. F.

A joint installation of the Rebekah and I. O. O. F. officers will be held about January 15th, to which the eight lodges from the neighboring towns will be invited. It is expected that there will be from one hundred and fifty to two hundred in attendance.

**CHRISTMAS TREE**  
The Beginners' Department of the First Methodist Church, will have its Christmas tree, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the church.

**TAFT**—New addition will be built at Midway Gin Company to double capacity of plant.

**"Open Wide That Golden Gate"**  
GARLAND HINMAN, who will play in the California grid classic.

**HINMAN WILL INVADE WEST**

Last year when Rags Matthews, Joel Hunt and Gerald Mann demonstrated in the All West-All East classic the splendid type of football played in Texas, the appetite of California fans was whetted and this year a high school classic between representatives of Texas and the far western state will be played on Saturday, Dec. 29.

Oil belt fans are confident that Garland Hinman, Ranger's great tackle, will play a game as sensational as did the Texans in the university battle a year ago.

Hinman, ranked as the greatest high school lineman in the state, has accepted the invitation extended to accompany the Fort Worth Central team for the game against the California All-Stars. It is likely that the Central eleven will be strengthened by the presence of several outstanding players of the state from other teams.

The Texas high school lads will have the pleasure of witnessing the Georgia Tech-California game—the foremost game of the entire



season on the Pacific coast. Lumpkin—fullback of the undefeated, untied Tech team—played two years ago in Ranger when Oak Cliff defeated Ranger in the state finals. Hinman was a star in that conflict.

**ALL STAR BACKFIELD OF OILBELT TEAM BEST IN THE LEAGUE**

(Continued from page 1)  
man for anyone's team. With perfect interference he is too dangerous for the opposition's welfare.

On the other hand hard plugging Eddleman takes his through the line. He bows his neck and charges and when he arises he has covered yards. In every game this year in which the Leboes participated, Eddleman gained on nearly every play. Sometimes a yard, sometimes 10 of them, but nearly always a gain.

The Buckaroo backfield representative is B. Magness, who started a whirlwind drive towards the latter part of the year. It was Magness who tossed passes which enable Buckaroo team mates to make five touchdowns against the Sherman Bebeats. It was Magness who made the sixth one. And this boy is likely to set something moving in the coming intersectional conflict.

San Angelo sends two for the backfield — Mr. Massey and Mr. Baker. That pair's specialty is gaining yardage. They stood out for the Bobcats this season, and were rated by all scribes as men who deserved consideration from the unit.

It is not known what Blair Cherry, mentor of the North Side Fort Worth high school, will send against the West. It is Cherry's habit, however, to send something good. When he was at Ranger he always made good teams out of something. This year at North Side he took a bunch of rookies

**Presbyterian Church Program Sunday**

The Sunday School of the Presbyterian church of Eastland announces that a Christmas program will be given at the church next Sunday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. There will be lots of entertainment, and Santa Claus will be there for the children. The collection will go to Reynolds' Orphanage at Dallas.

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In a suit filed in the 88th district court by B. L. Hargus against the Texas Electric Service Company, Hargus seeks to collect \$5000 for alleged damages to his land, a portion of which is covered with a pecan orchard. The construction of the Oil Belt Power Company Lake dam, Hargus contends, caused water in the Leon river to back up on his land and damage his pecan trees.

**Bandits Believed To Have Escaped**

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS, Dec. 20.—Two men thought to be the bandits who robbed the Richland Springs bank of \$1,200 Wednesday and escaped are believed to have abandoned their automobile at Brooksmith, officers were notified today. An abandoned machine was reported found at Brooksmith and San Saba and Brown county officers have gone to investigate.

Judge R. B. Truly left this morning to attend District court now in session at Breckenridge.



**Bridge Party Held In Spite of Cold!**

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WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Rev. H. W. Wrye
PAUL'S LAST MESSAGE
2 Tim. 4:1-8, 16-18.
GOLDEN TEXT—"I have fought
good fight, I have finished the
course, I have kept the faith."

INTRODUCTION
is not known when Paul's
imprisonment in Rome ended,
under what circumstances;
whether he was tried before Nero
publicly or before a subordinate,
probably early in A. D. 61 he was
sent to go where he pleased. He
probably was in Asia Minor at the
end of about half of Rome burned
D. 64. That great fire was at-
tributed by Tacitus to the Em-
peror Nero himself. To ward off
suspicion Nero charged the Chris-
tians with setting the fire, and a
terrible persecution followed.
Christians were put to the severest
and cruel tortures. Paul es-
caped that, but probably was ar-
rested at Nicopolis later on and
sent at once to Rome for his second
imprisonment. It was during
his imprisonment that he wrote
the second Epistle to Timothy.
His opposition to the "sect every-
where spoken against" at that
time had reached an almost in-
decent severity. Paul suffered
hardships as a malefactor. The
rigors of his confinement while
writing this letter, were astonish-
ingly sad.

COLORADO HEAD
UNUSUAL TYPE
OF POLITICIAN

Governor Adams Made Only One
Speech and Issued Single
Statement.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 19.—A
silent, cautious, but affable man
is Colorado's political miracle.
He's a bachelor, never has played
golf or driven an auto, and he
gets up at 5 o'clock in the morn-
ing.

Although he made only one
three-minute speech, issued one
statement and did not use the ra-
dio at all, this quiet, grey-haired
man has elected Governor of Colo-
rado by one of the largest popular
majorities ever recorded in the
state.

And besides he's a Democrat,
while Herbert Hoover carried Col-
orado by more than 100,000 votes.
The Governor won by approxi-
mately 99,000.

His name is William H. Adams,
but everybody calls him "Billy,"
and "Billy" admits he likes it.
His friends say he is Colorado's
best exhibit to prove the poet who
wrote "Our West the West Be-
gins" meant Colorado.

Visitors Welcomed
The door of Governor Adams'
office never is closed to visitors
and he shakes hands like he meant
it.

"I don't know how we did it,"
said the Governor the other morn-
ing when the United Press corre-
spondent dropped in to see him.
"Bill" means the Governor. He
rarely uses the personal pronoun.

But, Governor, there must be
rules," the correspondent protest-
ed.

The Governor was silent.
To much talkin' has ruined
more politicians than any other
cause," the Governor suddenly shot
out. "You can't talk too much and
be a success in politics. Especial-
ly, the careless kind of talk."

Governor Adams has been hold-
ing public office for 47 years. He
has yet to taste defeat. His friends
say he never went back on his
word and that is one of his big-
gest vote-drawing powers.

He started in when he was just
old enough to qualify for office by
running for treasurer of Alamosa
county, where he still has a large
cattle ranch to which he makes
regular trips to look after his busi-
ness.

Politics a Side Line
"Politics is only a side line, you
know," he said. "I've been a cattle-
man all my life."

After serving in several county
offices, the Governor was elected
to the legislature. When he came
to Denver the Republicans tried to
show he was not old enough to
qualify. They threatened it out with
"Billy."

"I don't know," he told them,
"nobody knows but my father and
mother and they're not here any
more."

His opponents were satisfied
with Adams' age qualifications and
"Billy" started his legislative ca-
reer. Finishing in the House of
Representatives, he was elected a
state Senator from his district and
for years was a leader in the up-
per house. Democratic leaders sev-
eral times appealed to him to run
for Governor.

"You're our strongest man,"
they told him.
"But I'd rather be a state Sena-
tor," he said.

"I wouldn't advise any young
man to follow politics for a living,"
the Governor told his interviewer.
"That's a big mistake. Everyone
ought to take an interest in public
affairs and more good men ought
to become public officials. But they
should not make politics a
'trade.' They ought to know when
to quit."

Hobby "Riding Range"
His hobby—if he has one—is
"riding the range." When he goes
to Alamosa to the ranch he gets
up with the men who work for him,
has breakfast around 5 a. m., and
can do as good a day's work as
anyone. And when he's in the city
at his hotel he is the first about
the lobby.

"I've never had much time for
a hobby," the Governor explained.
"I keep fit by working around the
state house.

"Hours? I have none. Just stay
around till the work's all done."
Sterling B. Lacey, the Govern-
or's secretary, who happened to
pass through the room heard the
Governor's last remark.

"He kept staying later and lat-
er," the Secretary explained. "For
a while I stayed around, too, but
now it has gotten to be such a
regular thing that I go home when
dinner time rolls around."

YOUNG EQUESTRIENNE.
AMABILLO, Texas.—Helen
Stamps, 2-year-old daughter of
Mrs. Homer Stamps, takes a daily
ride on her Shetland pony, Chief,
and observers say she demon-
strates expert skill in balancing
herself on the animal's back.

Doesn't It Beat All How Kids Will Act When the Minister Calls?



TWENTY-ONE TEXAS FARMS
SELECTED FOR THREE YEAR
TESTS IN ELECTRIFICATION

Twenty-one Texas farms have
been selected by the Texas com-
mittee on relation of electricity to
Agriculture for the purpose of con-
ducting scientific experiments in
farm electrification, the committee
has announced.

The experiments are to be con-
ducted over a period of three years
to determine in what ways electric-
ity can be profitably applied to va-
rious types of Texas farming. This
move follows a recent survey of
505 farms made by J. E. Waggoner,
survey director for the commit-
tee.

The farms selected represent the
following types: dairy, poultry,
general, cotton, truck and ranch.
They are considered among the
leading farms of their communities
and were selected because of the
progressiveness of their owners.

Various types of electrical equip-
ment are being placed on the farms
and the equipment will be tested
regularly and accurate records kept
throughout the period of experi-
ment. Where possible the farms se-
lected are near main traveled high-
ways and it is the intention of the
committee to place large electric
signs on each farm with view of
the highways to direct public at-
tention to the farms.

The following farms have been
selected.

A. B. Harmonson, poultry, Jus-
tin.

Charles Davis, general farm,
near Corsicana.

B. Watson, dairy, Buda.

W. E. Barrow, ranch, San Saba.

M. G. Lobel, dairy, Mineral
Wells.

John W. McFarlane, dairy, Pal-
estine.

W. E. Henderson, dairy, Irving.

F. W. Shaver, poultry, Willis.

Vernon Richie, dairy, Alvin.

R. L. Colley, dairy, Alvin.

John Florida, dairy, Alvin.

J. M. Monarch, dairy, Alvin.

W. B. Scott, dairy, Marshall.

John Wieshand, truck, McAllen.

Mr. Coleman, San Benito.

M. Hunt, cotton, Gregory.

J. J. Wainwright, irrigated, Crys-
tal City.

E. D. Cohenous, irrigated, Co-
tulla.

J. E. McElroy, cotton, Coolidge.

A. W. Brodnax, cotton, Coolidge.

MASONS FIRST TO CON-
DEMN WILKES BOOTH

Little Rock, Ark.—The Masons
of this city were the first to call
a meeting and emphasize their
condemnation and sorrow for the
tragic death of John Wilkes Booth,
according to Stoddard's The Life
of Abraham Lincoln. This work
states:

"The intelligent people of the
Southern States felt that their
'Stage Mad Avenger' had inflicted
upon them a fresh disaster and
they both publicly and privately
expressed their anger and regret.
Their feeling is well illustrated
by the action of the Masonic Frater-
nity of Arkansas, locally known as
the 'Reb Masons.' They have
the first to call and hold a meeting
to declare and emphasize their
condemnation and sorrow, and a
hall in Little Rock, the State Cap-
ital, was well filled with those as-
sembled.

"In large part they were ex-
Confederate soldiers many of
whom still wore the remnants of
their army uniform, and they lis-
tened to a funeral oration upon
Abraham Lincoln from the lips of
a well-known Union man of the
Masonic Fraternity. It was but 12
hours after the news of the murder
reached Little Rock by telegraph."

MANY PAY LAST RESPECTS
TO HONORED MASON

BELFAST, Ireland.—The honor
and esteem in which the late Mr.
James Heron Stirling, who served
for a number of years as Provin-
cial Grand Master of Antrim and
ways took a prominent part in the
work of the Craft, was evidenced
by his many friends who came to
pay their last respects to the great
man. The funeral procession was
one of the largest ever seen in the
Northern capital and included rep-
resentatives of the industrial,
commercial, political and Masonic
world. The Masonic bodies repre-

ented included the Grand Lodge of
Ireland, Provincial Grand Lodge of
Antrim, Provincial Grand Lodge
of Down, District Royal Arch Mas-
onic lodges. The members of the
Fraternity, according to custom,
paid their final tribute by deposit-
ing the sprigs of acacia which are
laid worn on the last journey, as
the "earth closed over all that had
been mortal of a man whose mem-
ory will long remain green in his
native Ulster."

Merriman Teachers
Enroll in N. E. A.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The
teachers of the Merriman ward
school, Ranger, Texas, have taken
membership in the National Edu-
cation association. The report
was received from the principal,
Mrs. J. N. Poe, at the association's
headquarters hereby J. W. Crab-
tree, executive secretary.

In a letter of congratulation to
Mrs. Poe, Mr. Crabtree says: "We
are proud of your one hundred
percent enrollment. It shows a
fine leadership on your part and
an excellent professional spirit on
the part of your teachers. Con-
gratulations to you all and success
in your work for the cause of edu-
cation. The enrollment in the
N. E. A., is now 181,000, our goal
is set for 200,000 in 1929."

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are culled out of farm flocks every
year to be sold for market pur-
poses. They are not culled because

they are sickly or diseased but be-
cause they won't lay. They make
just as good eating as other birds
provided they are fat and not too
old. Sickly or diseased birds, on
the other hand, should be removed
from the flock at once and destroy-
ed."

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When Japan Crowned a New Emperor.



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With all its ancient pomp and ceremony that marked its coronations of centuries ago, Japan crowned
a new emperor the other day. The top picture, transmitted over Japanese telephone wires, and rushed
to this country, shows the emperor arriving in his carriage at the ancient capital of Kyoto, where the
coronation ceremony was held. At the left, workmen are putting up a sign to show that the imper-
ators of the government have been moved temporarily to Kyoto. At the right, noted writers
and painters of Japan are inscribing messages of happiness on the occasion of the emperor's coro-
nation. Below, priests are seen conveying sacred wine to the palace for use in the ceremony.



# CHARLES SIRINGO OF MATAGORDA COUNTY TELLS TALE OF TEXAS DAYS

Showing tale of the early days of Texas is recounted by Charles Siringo, whose name is synonymous with every vivid phase of the West that is now history. Interview published by The Texas Magazine.

When in the State University at Austin, he dedicated six tablets to men representing the forces which went into the making of the state. And one of the tablets is inscribed simply "the Cowboy". Those who of the literature of a generation need no introduction to Charles Siringo, whose full name is Charles A. Siringo. He was born in Matagorda County, and at the age of 12 hired out as a cowboy. At 20 he joined the Pinkerton and became a cowboy detective.

For 20 years or more he has participated in scores of famous cases involving rustlers, bank robbers, mine thieves, and murderers.

He is a small man, weighing 130 pounds, but wire-tough in face and still keen of eye. Years of age, living in Venice, where he is a close friend of neighbor Bill Hart, Will Rogers and other celebrities.

"I call this," said Siringo when interviewed, "the story of a man's life. I've had hundreds of 'em. Once I had to hunt a mob when a mob had the intention of burning me at the stake. Several times, too, I've been hired to kill me. And they're pretty near succeeding—too for my comfort."

"A few of the bad men," he said, "were really as bad as they were painted. Their deeds were generated by rumour. I found good fellows at heart, who hadn't learnt to control their impulses, and after getting one desperate scrape, they were hoping to save their skins. I was while I was still in my and was shipping cattle with Wiley Kuykendall in southern Texas, that a stranger one day into camp. Mr. Kuykendall, I knew him, introduced him to me as a fictitious name."

"I said Mr. Kuykendall, 'What's his name?' 'Do you know who he is?' That's John Wesley Hardin."

Hardin had man's name in that day better known or more general. First and last, Hardin had thirty-four men. And how he got his start on the outlaw trail? By an impulsive crime that would have committed under other circumstances.

Hardin was a young man of blood in post-war New Orleans when Northern politicians of narrow-lag stripe were running things with a high hand. He political scamp put in, as usual, guardians of peace and law, men—even negroes—who had qualified as none too fitting to the people. Becoming involved in a fracas with one of the policemen, Hardin made his killing. He realized that he would not be tempered with by the existing regime. He fled. Most of his later killings were the result of his effort to make good his escape and to prevent people from capturing him for the sake of the big price on his head.

Hardin was a fairly true type of the western bad man, and he was the only one, I suppose, who made Wild Bill Hickok put up guns. Wild Bill was the fast and fearless officer who kept the peace in Abilene, the cow town, and John Wesley Hardin, in the course of his travels, came to Abilene. He entered a saloon with a friend; this got into a ruckus with one of Hickok's deputies. Hardin, indeed, took the officer's gun, and ran out, and said:

"I'll treat you long-haired boss— Wild Bill Hickok—that if he comes and I'll treat him the same."

The message, of course, was not delayed in delivery. Knowing that to enter the saloon could only mean a shooting, Wild Bill waited for his man outside. Presently the man came out, alone, bound for the saloon. Hickok covered him and told him to withdraw his hands from the holsters, being very careful to make no false move, and then over, but ends first.

Now, though Wild Bill was not one of it at the time, John Wesley Hardin was the man who invented the trick, devised for just emergencies, of flipping the revolver over business end to the other, just as the officer was about to take them. So, when Wild Bill momentarily lowered his own gun to seize Hardin's, he suddenly found himself gazing into twin barrels of death. Admiration, more than fear, was the famous outlaw's reaction to this display. "You are the bravest boy I ever saw," he said.

Wild Bill was carrying a print of a man in his pocket at that moment, offering twenty-five hundred dollars for the apprehension of Hardin. But he promptly let him go.

"I'll put up your guns," he said; "and I'll be friends. You can stay in Abilene as long as you want. Keep the peace, and I'll be best of you."

It was the famous outlaw and the marshal became friends. Hardin kept his word.

Hardin's end, however, was ty-

## Sports Matter

By United Press.  
By Frank Getty

Back in 1914, the Boston Braves were in last place in July, nineteen games behind the leaders and apparently going nowhere, as usual.

George Stallings invoked a "miracle," and the Braves won the National League pennant and later the world series with the Philadelphia Athletics in four straight games.

Just how much credit is due the "miracle" for that most amazing form reversal in the history of baseball and how much is due the players who made it possible cannot be told with any degree of certainty in this still unlightened age.

But the keystone combination and the hard hitting catcher who formed the nucleus of those amazing Braves of 15 seasons ago will be back with the club in 1929.

Evers, Maranville and Gowdy, names to compare with in 1914, have once more joined their old club. It may be that Judge Emil Fuchs believes he can build another winner upon the grey matter of the past.

**Hornsby Disappointment.**

The Boston Braves have never approached a performance equal to that of 15 seasons ago. They have never even won a pennant. They have gone steadily downhill despite the efforts of many managers.

This year, even with Rogers Hornsby and some promising pitching material, the Braves were the disappointment of their backers in the Hub.

Next year, Judge Fuchs will take matters in his own hands, he says, and manage the club himself. His first move was to gather about him John Evers, Hank Gowdy and Rabbit Maranville, heroes of that 1914 drive.

Johnny Evers will be Fuchs' assistant as manager of the club. Hank Gowdy will be a coach, a scout, a great help to young pitchers. Rabbit Maranville will play shortstop.

The Rabbit filled in at shortstop for the St. Louis Cardinals last season, doing so well that he inevitably had to be traded, as is the rule with successful managers and players at St. Louis. At 36, Maranville still is spry and versatile, and a mighty good infielder. Moreover, he is on his good behavior.

Johnny Evers, who played second base for the Braves of 1914, has taken some since his appointment of Fuchs' assistant getting into a uniform and trying his hand

## Nevada Builds Death-Gas House for Man's Execution

By NEA Service.  
CARSON CITY, Nev.—A new "gas house" for taking human life is to be completed at the Nevada state prison here in the very near future.

And already a prisoner has been received who will be first to die in the new structure, unless his appeals upset his death sentence.

The prisoner is Robert F. White. He was sentenced to die January 13, 1929, following conviction on a murder charge at Elko. Instead of the gallows or the electric chair, Nevada uses lethal gas for executions.

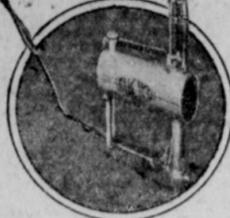
The old gas house, in which two prisoners met their death, was a temporary structure, and was torn down in a recent remodeling. Plans were made for replacing this with a small one-story structure. This will now be rushed to completion for the date set for White's death. It may also house the cells of condemned prisoners as well as the death chamber.

Despite nationwide comment when the gas-death method was introduced in Nevada, the state is continuing this method of execution. The condemned man is strapped to a chair placed in an air-tight room. Through tubes in the walls of the room, hydrocyanic gas is forced into the death chamber from a small steel tank equipped with a hand pump.

In the two previous executions, death was almost instantaneous. Gee John, a Chinese, was first to die by gas. Three years ago, Stan-ko Jukich was executed in the same manner.

White, who is at the prison now under death room sentence, was convicted of killing Louis Lavall, an Elko gambler. Lavall's body never was found, but authorities charge White burned the body after killing Lavall.

And while carpenters, cement mixers and chemists are rearing the "gas house" in which the state declares White must die from lethal fumes, the condemned man



Robert F. White and the means by which he is to be put to death is carrying on a determined court fight for his life.

around the keystone sack once more. But this is hardly likely. They all think they can come back, but Johnny always was one of the smartest, almost smart enough to know that he can't.

**McGuire at Second.**

The chances are that the second base job up in Boston will be taken care of by young Freddie McGuire, who made good with a bang in his first year in the league. Freddie will be called upon to fill Rogers Hornsby's shoes, but that will not disturb him. Hornsby leaves a pair of vacant shoes behind him every season, so that the trick is not as remarkable as it formerly was considered.

Everyone wishes Judge Fuchs well in his new venture, but few baseball men believe he seriously intends to act as his own manager.

With Sunday baseball in Boston, the Braves will be much better off financially. Moreover, they got back all they had paid out and more in the Hornsby affair, making a nice little profit in selling "Rajah" to the Chicago Cubs.

Fuchs was able to buy Maranville and old George Washington Harper from St. Louis without batting an eye. He will be buying some more ball players before long.

The careers of the three old men of 1914 who are back to help the Judge with the rehabilitation of the Braves have been long and creditable ones.

Evers is the Evers of the "Tinker to Evers to Chance" double play of undying fame in baseball annals; he is the man who touched second when Fred Merkle forgot to; he is noted as the brainiest and fiercest little cuss who ever bawled out an umpire. Gowdy is popular personally, was the first big leaguer to go to war, and sprang into fame even earlier by breaking up the 1914 world series with his terrific batting. Maranville is known for his best pocket catches and his occasional lapses from grace. They will be a picturesque trio.

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**CORPUS CHRISTI**—Bids opened for paving on Port Avenue.

## Texas Tech Elected To College Order

LUBBOCK, Texas, Dec. 18.—Texas Technological College has elected to membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools following application made one year ago. This action was taken at the annual meeting held recently in Fort Worth, Tech being represented by President Paul W. Horn, Dean J. M. Gordon and Dr. A. W. Evans. While Tech's remarkable growth in numbers has been heralded abroad, school officials feel that just as remarkable progress has been made in the organization of the college and in the high grade of work being done in all departments. Election to membership in the Southern Association is regarded as evidence of the already high scholastic standing of the institution.

At a meeting of the Association of Texas Colleges in Fort Worth at the same time, the department of extension of Texas Technological College was placed on the approved list. This rating is based upon a set of standards adopted by the Association. Approximately twenty institutions of higher learning in Texas are doing extension work. J. F. McDonald, director of extension in Tech., attended the meeting.

## 20-Year-Old Cat



NEA Denver Bureau  
Cats are said to have nine lives, but Maltz, owned by Mrs. Radio Lofall, 63, of Denver, Colo., apparently needs only one as he is now 20 years old and doing fine, thank you. Maltz was born during President Roosevelt's second administration and seems to have a good chance of seeing at least a part of President-elect Hoover's term.

have shown that it retains much if not all the protective potency of fresh salmon."

Dr. Louise Stanley, Chief of the Bureau of Home Economics in the U. S. Department of Agriculture, says: "I would say that if the meat is well canned it will not interfere seriously with its nutritive value. Vitamins A and B are the

ones usually present in meat. There is no considerable amount of A, and B is rather resistant to heat, so I think it would be retained. I do not believe the time and temperature of processing the meat would destroy any very large amount of vitamin B factor and I see no objection to teaching the use of canned meat."

"This knowledge," states Miss Blair, "is important to the thousands of farm families who are using canned meat because the fresh product is expensive and hard to obtain. It is also important in the study undertaken by Texas home demonstration club women of the prevention of dietary diseases of which pellagra is the most common to all parts of the state."

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## Chicago Inspects Lindbergh's New Plane



One of the principal attractions at the National Aircraft Show in Chicago has been Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's new personal plane, The City of Columbus, on exhibition there. These interior views show Miss Helen McGuire, Chicago, posing in one of the berths, and the luxurious cabin. The big ship, built for the Transcontinental Air Transport Company—a joint air-rail passenger service of which Lindbergh is vice president—has a wingspread of 78 feet, is 50 feet long and weighs 12,500 pounds when loaded. It is equipped with desk and typewriter, upper and lower berths, ice box, wash room, and has individual ash trays fastened to the window at each chair.

## Home Canned Meat Entirely Healthful

Home canned meat, if properly processed, retains the vitamin B found in fresh lean meat and is helpful in preventing pellagra, Miss Lola Blair, Foods Specialist in the A. and M. College Extension Service, announces after consulting with two eminent Washington authorities. "Pellagra is a dietary disease which is on the increase in Texas," says Miss Blair, "and the best way of preventing its occurrence is to consume fruits, vegetables, eggs, lean meat and milk. We have questioned whether the canned meat put up by thousands of farm housewives every year is entirely healthful and whether it can be substituted for fresh lean meat in pellagra control."

Dr. Cummings of the United States Public Health Service says: "The studies of the Public Health Service indicate that canned meat retains much if not all the pellagra preventing potency of fresh meat. This is all the more probable since tests of canned salmon

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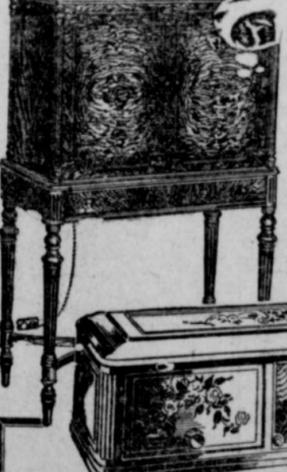
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# KAISER AT SAW SEEMS TO HAVE RESIGNED SELF

Two Views of Wilhelm—1918 and 1928—Show Marked Changes.

By H. C. BUURMAN, United Press Staff Correspondent, DOORN, Holland.—His Doorn, large a nd square, surrounded by its moat and partially hidden by trees makes a beautiful but sad picture in the late autumn and early winter.

There lives the old man who was once emperor of Germany. He is often alone except for members of "court" because his comparatively young wife cannot withstand the Dutch climate and is frequently absent for a "cure" in the fatherland.

But alone or with Princess Hermine Wilhelm leads a very simple life. He rises early, goes for a stroll before has a simple breakfast at 9 o'clock, forks and saws in the woods for two or three hours and comes home for a simple luncheon and a nap. Then follow several hours of indoor work, then tea, more work at his desk and a particularly simple dinner. This dinner is so modest that near-

ly a very visitor leaves with a slightly disappointed feeling.

"To dine with the kaiser" and to be served with a little meat, potatoes, one vegetable, some pudding and fruit and coffee, is less than most visitors expect. And Wilhelm eats very sparingly. In previous years he used to make the dinners somewhat more extensive, but this occurs now only when there are very special guests. The ex-kaiser dislikes to put on weight.

**Sawing Wood His Hobby.**

The ex-kaiser's hobby is still sawing wood and his gardening. The latest work of his hands, in a manner of speaking, is the Rosarium which he presented to Doorn and lies between his grounds and the main road.

A board announces proudly that this is the "Kaiser Wilhelm Rosarium," and informs the public what is allowed and what is not. A solitary keeper in the German greyish-blue uniform paces to and fro. He tells the United Press correspondent in German about his war experiences, how he fought in Mesopotamia with the Turks and on the Italian front. Along the Piave a shell found him. "Nine killed and 20 wounded," he said, "and I still have three big pieces of shell in my leg."

The Rosarium is a small park, devoted to many varieties of roses. It is about 100 yards by 300 with an enormous vase in the center.

## Life for Liquor



Under Michigan's laws, a fourth conviction for felony sentences the offender to life imprisonment. Channie Tripp, above, of Flint, has just been sentenced to life after a fourth conviction for bootlegging.

The vase is of Utenberger marble designed by the German Professor Bezner and prominently decorated with a crowned "W" and the date 1928. It is of classic type and would be more at home in the Sieges Alee in Berlin than simple Doorn.

**Witnesses Visit.**

The United Press correspondent witnessed one of the ex-kaiser's visits to the Rosarium. It was the first day the park was closed to the public for the winter. Wilhelm was bareheaded, clad in a dark green suit with grey woolen "war lord" manner and his face wore the wilful expression so well known from his war photographs. Only one outward detail struck me—the famous pointed mustache drooped. Perhaps he had not then abandoned hope that he might return to Germany as a monarch.

**Hair Snow White.**

But 10 years have counted. His hair is now snow white and his beard is graying fast. The famed erect mustache disappeared long ago. Now it is an ordinary mustache. His movements still show great vitality but he is heavier and fatter. The face shows more color and the expression is not so severe nor wilful—perhaps jollier.

# HITS AND SLIDES

Henry L. Farrell

## Bucky Tries Again

It will be interesting to watch how George Uhle performs in Detroit next season for young Mr. Bucky Harris. Mr. Harris has established quite a reputation for getting results from veteran pitchers who wouldn't behave for other managers, and it seems that the new Tiger manager was the only one in the league who would take a chance on Uhle.

Harris made a name for himself by taming Dutch Reuther, for a season at least, and while Dutch was tamed he had a big part in pitching the Washington Senators into a pennant.

"There was no mystery in what I did with Reuther," Harris often has said. "I merely told him that I expected him to be ready to work every four days, and that I didn't care what he did when he wasn't working. I told him that it was up to him to arrange his schedule so that he would feel like pitching when his turn came."

## Uhle Not a Bad Man

BECAUSE his personal habits had to be mentioned when Cleveland was trying to arrange a trade for him, the customers may get the mistaken idea that Uhle is a bad man. He is not a bad man. His difficulty was that he knew too many people in Cleveland and had too many friends. And he was a hound for pinocle.

A former manager of the Cleveland club, talking about Uhle before he was traded to Detroit said: "George never was addicted to strong drink, as far as I know, and I think I know him. He was a great friend for sitting around with his friends—very nice people—and playing cards and having a glass or two of beer. He never ran around or caroused, but he would sit up half the night with friends. He would be as bright at two in the morning as he was at supper time, but he wouldn't feel like pitching the next day. I'm saying this simply because the public may get the idea from all the talk going around that he is a rouser. He is not."

## Indians Had to Gamble

IF Uhle should step out and win about 20 ball games for the

## DID YOU KNOW THAT—

WALTER JOHNSON and Billy Southworth did not attend the major league meetings. . . . Their owners were running the club. . . . And they may run the clubs next summer. . . .

Mrs. Helena Raskob has acquired a racing stable. . . . And has two entries in the Belmont Futurity. . . . Her husband was connected with the last election. . . . Myles McLain took a back-hand crack at the east. . . . He was ruled out of the Western Conference. . . . But said he would play in the east next year. . . . And favored Carnegie Tech. . . . The injury that Al Lassman suffered in the New York U-Carnegie Tech game may ruin him for professional boxing. . . .

And he was considered the best college prospect ever. . . . Walter Trumbull is being mentioned as probable successor to John Chapman. . . . As assistant director at Rickard's Garden. . . . He is a wealthy sports writer. . . . And the one who used to burn up the sports editor of the N. Y. World. . . . By sending his copy down with his butler. . . . Glenn Wright's trouble was, they say, that he was tossed over by his girl.

Tigers this year—and he is good enough to do it—the Cleveland officials might have to swallow some wild razzberries.

They knew they were taking the chance when they decided to release him from the club. It is a gamble that every baseball club has to take once in a while.

Uhle wouldn't have won 20 games for Cleveland. He was given a salary raise of \$5000 on the year when new owners acquired the Indians, and that raise alone represents more than a lot of men make for working 12 months a year, eight hours a day.

If he didn't deliver for Cleveland it means that he couldn't, and not that he didn't want to.

loans on pecan acreage could be procured, this industry would grow to major importance in McCulloch county.

The average price of native pecans produced in this county is from ten to twelve cents, while budded pecans sell at 35 to 60 cents per pound, or at least three times the price of native nuts.

## Pecan Land Loan Plan Is Favored

BRADY.—Endorsement of the movement launched by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to gain recognition of pecan trees by the Federal Land bank in appraising pecan acreage for loan purposes was voiced here by Brady Chamber of Commerce officials, the county agent's office and a number of pecan growers.

McCulloch county in spite of the fact that there is considerable native pecan timber along the streams traversing the county and in spite of the fact that land in this county is ideally suited to pecan culture, has never developed this crop to any proportions of importance. Very little budding has been done and hardly any pecan orchard work has been attempted owing to the fact, according to county agent Prewitt, that it takes five or six years until the young trees start producing in a profitable measure. The belief is expressed that if long time farm

## Divorce Percent In County Gains

There were 492 marriages in Eastland county and 119 divorces during 1927, according to figures announced by the United States government.

Although the number of marriages last year showed a decline of 50 as compared to the year before, there was an increase of one in the number of divorces granted in 1927 as compared to 1926. The figures are: Marriages, 492 in 1927, 542 in 1926; divorces, 119 in 1927, 118 in 1926.

HOUSTON—State of Texas celebrates completion of financing of highway No. 75 from Houston to Dallas.

## Family Menu

**BY SISTER MARY**

**BREAKFAST**—Orange juice, cereal, cream, liver and bacon patty cakes, creamed potatoes, roasted rolls, milk, coffee.

**LUNCHEON**—Sausage rolls, spiced apple sauce, creamed celery, cornstarch prunes, pudding, milk, tea.

**DINNER**—Fricassee of veal, mashed potatoes, scalloped tomatoes and onions, banana and nut salad, steamed graham pudding, milk, coffee.

Fricassee of veal is an excellent dish to serve when the cook has spent the afternoon out. In the morning the meat is cooked slowly in boiling water seasoned slightly with carrot, celery and onion. When ready to serve dip meat cut in slices for serving in flour and brown in hot drippings and butter. Remove meat and brown flour in fat remaining in frying pan. Slowly add the strained veal stock and bring to the boiling point stirring constantly.

**Steamed Graham Pudding**

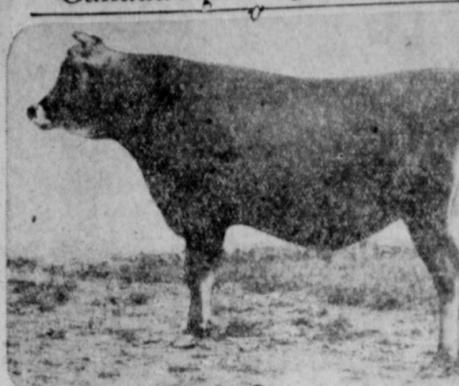
Three tablespoons butter of lard, ½ cup molasses, ½ cup sweet milk, ½ cup white flour, 1 ¼ cups graham flour, ½ teaspoon soda, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon cinnamon, ¼ teaspoon cloves, ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg, ½ pound dates stoned and chopped.

Melt shortening and beat in molasses. Mix and sift flour, soda, spices and salt. Add to first mixture. Add milk and beat until smooth. Add graham flour and prepared dates and mix thoroughly. Turn into a buttered mold, cover and steam 2 ½ hours. Serve warm with whipped cream, hard sauce or lemon sauce.

This recipe will make six large servings or eight medium sized ones. The pudding can be reheated and used several days later if only half is used. Steam one-half hour to reheat.

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## Canada's Champion Jersey



Here's the champion Jersey bull of Canada. He was chosen at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, to which prize cattle from all parts of the Dominion were sent. The animal's name is "Oxford Cora's Noble" and he's owned by Frank Silcox of Iona, Ontario.

## Athlete-Oil Man Returns From East

A. J. Brennan, one of the most successful operators in the shallow fields of the Central West Texas district, has returned to this section after a visit of several months in his home state of Pennsylvania.

Brennan was formerly fullback on the University of Pittsburgh football team and was a neighbor, during his boyhood days, of the late Harry Greb, formerly world's middleweight boxing champion. Brennan, when he came to the Texas oil fields, did some boxing

and thereby acquired sufficient capital to make a start in a successful career as an oil man.

## Famous General Sends Greeting

General Pershing sent a message to Our Heroes class of the Methodist church of Ranger, Sunday. The letter, read to the class by M. F. Peters, the teacher, follows:

"My Dear Mr. Peters: Your letter of Nov. 26, requesting a personal message for the next assembly of Our Heroes class of the First Methodist church has just reached my desk, and I am pleased

to send the class, through a few words of greeting.

"I have the keenest interest in our American boys, the youth of tomorrow upon whom we rely for the future preservation of the ideals and institutions of our great country. I have confidence in their loyalty and faith in their loyalty and patriotism, but would impress upon the necessity of preparing themselves for the duties and obligations which will fall upon their shoulders as citizens of this Republic. I am sure that they will fail us.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER

By NEA Service

WASHINGTON—Uncle Sam stands revealed in the annual report of the secretary of the interior as the largest summer resort proprietor in the world.

Uncle Sam's summer resorts are the vast national parks, where free public camping grounds are maintained for motorists and hikers.

Approximately 2,000,000 people visit the national parks annually, and 70 per cent of them go in their own automobiles. It is this fact which has made the public camp sites necessary. Until the development of the auto, the railroads brought all the visitors, and they were lodged in hotels, lodges, etc., conducted inside the parks by concessionaires.

Now, however, the camping spaces are highly important, and they have been made rather elaborate. Pure water, sanitary conveniences, electric lights, stoves, and sometimes laundries and showers baths are included in their equipment.

THE automobile is not the only invention that has raised a new problem for the custodians of the parks. The airplane now is raising a new issue, which will be dealt with in considerable detail at a conference this winter between national park officials, railway heads, motor transportation concerns and others.

"The modern airplane, with its increasing use as a means of passenger transportation, now presents a new problem," says the secretary's report. "Its employment has been urged upon park officials for a number of years, but no yet no permits have been issued for issuing permits within park boundaries, and flying over parks has been discouraged. The mission of airplanes to national parks and regulation of their use, however, have been receiving the serious consideration of the department.

"Manifestly, the airplane will become an accepted means of transportation to and between national parks, if not in the parks. Their use then will make it necessary for the service to provide them facilities and to regulate them. The department has considered that the railroads, which in early times made the development of the parks possible, first should be heard in this connection. It has been proposed that they be permitted to build airports within the park lines near railroad terminals and to land passengers in the park at those airports, granting to private airplanes the use of such airports with a proper service charge."

NOT is that the only problem the airplane has raised. There is also the matter of sight-seeing within the parks.

Originally tourists went through the parks on foot, on horseback or in horse-drawn stages. In recent years the automobile bus has been adopted, although the use of the horseback trails is still popular. Now various concerns are proposing to establish aerial sight-seeing trips over the parks.

The department, evidently, does not know quite what to do about this matter. On the one hand, it asserts that a plane flying at a safely high altitude would be too high for its occupants to get a proper view of the scenery below; and, on the other, it admits that some people insist that only from the air can a view be obtained of generally inaccessible places.

## Gift Advice to Seekers of MEN'S GIFTS

A man isn't as hard to please at Christmas as most people think. Of course he has his favorite gifts, his favorite styles and colors, but you know them all, and we have them all, so why not get together in filling the Gift needs of the man or men on your list?

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