

LAST WRECKS NEWSPAPER BUILDING

McKeown Resolution Requests Embargo On Oil

ALL DAY PROGRAM IS PLANNED FOR SATURDAY

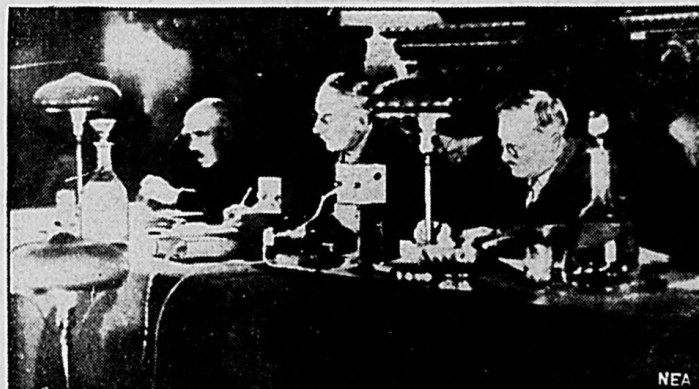
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At Soviet Treason Trial



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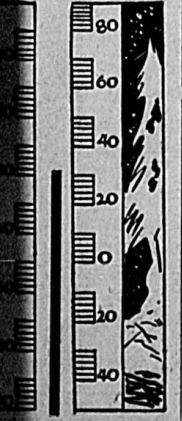
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Unemployed Are Asked To File Names For Work

Bids On Hoover Dam Received

Six Bandits Are Killed By Police In Last Week

WEATHER



Sheriff Kills Himself With Bullet In Heart

Flight Of 12 Italian Planes Again Delayed

Sports Writers To Have Annual Feed

Baby, Almost Frozen, Found

Aged Lover To Be Charged In Woman's Death

Minister Inherits Stock Of Wine

S. MAILS

Rockne Leaves For Mayo Sanitarium

Breck Is Ready For Tilt With Corsicana Team

Two-Year Old Gored By Bull

Victim Of Fire To Be Buried

Youngster Killed By An Automobile

Court Reporters To Meet At San Angelo

Dalhart, Tex., Dec. 18. Mrs. Ida D. Devine, injured last night when a mysterious explosion wrecked the new plant of the Texhoma Times, weekly newspaper at Texhoma on the Texas-Oklahoma line died in Loretto hospital here this morning.

Officials today blamed an accumulation of gas for the explosion. A report that two persons were seen running away from the building last night was considered unimportant by officers. They believed the persons running were those who summoned the fire marshal.

Joseph Shore, 35, who formerly led a small orchestra in Detroit, was killed in a Leap hat store by policeman Michael J. Neery, who had been guarding the store several days.

Legion Post To Sponsor Paying Of Compensation

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CRACKS IN THE DOME

Railroad commission hearings have proven hot checks to be an acute concern of state motortruck permit-holders, even when the checks are not made to the truck operators.
 Complaints were reviewed by the commission that C. O. D. shipments of merchandise over truck lines had been paid for with worthless checks. The claims came back on the truck lines to pay for them; and when the lines refused, the cases reached the state commission on efforts to cancel permits.
 Chairman Pat M. Neff pointed out where the lines are protected by required indemnity and other insurance, the claims will go to the surety companies. Only in a few instances have delays occurred for failures in supplying the bonds.
 "This commission will not be regarded as a collection agency," Chairman Neff ruled.
 Some of Gov. Dan Moody's troubles are outside the result of either state or national policies for the third time in as many weeks, some one of the capitol newspapermen overturned the huge cuspidor at his desk, pouring quarts of malicious disinfectant fluid on the expensive carpet of the governor's office.

And all the chief executive activities do not deal with life and death, or with high appointments. As the state canvassing board prepared to review the election results, Gov. Moody took delight in turning the handle of the machine, resembling a sausage grinder, which the state department uses for the mechanical opening of mail.
 Former Atty. Gen. W. A. Keeling was given credit for the precedent under which the state election board has reviewed the filing of mandamus suits to compel county judges of about 20 counties to send in returns on the constitutional amendment election of Nov. 4.
 It appeared at the capitol before the canvassing board that amendments were made that all were safely adopted, despite the reports from North Texas claiming the legislative pay amendment endangered... If this amendment had failed, it was clear that also the provision for legislative reform in the 120-day legislative session, which lawmakers have hailed as highly beneficial, also would be nullified.
 It was known to have been adopted by a safe majority; but unless their pay was raised the lawmakers could not be held here during the second 60-day period of 42 per cent pay, former compensation rate.
 Loss of the pay amendment would destroy both phases of the legislative reform. It would not prevent action during the first 60 days, in spite of the provision that the 60 days should be occupied solely in introduction of bills and in committee hearings. That provision can be suspended in the house by 120 affirmative votes and in the senate by 25 votes.

Prisoner Missing, Deputy Sheriff Loses His Job

PALESTINE, Tex., Dec. 18.—For failure to locate a prisoner, Deputy Sheriff Jack Dismuke was without a job today, the Anderson county sheriff's office announced.
 The prisoner, John Steiff, Jr., had been given a five-year suspended sentence on charges of kidnapping and other offenses. The sentence was suspended at the request of Steiff's invalid father, who came from Mahanoy City, Schuylkill county, Pa., to plead for his son, who, the father said, was his only means of support.
 Officers at Rusk and Houston, Tex., however, wanted Steiff on charges of robbery.
 Steiff disappeared yesterday while being transferred from the courthouse to the city jail, half block away, in the custody of Deputy Dismuke. The latter did not report Steiff's absence and when questioned later said the prisoner "just disappeared."
 Steiff's father, John Sr., who has been living in the county jail while attempting to secure his son's release, today said that he believed the latter had gone to Houston voluntarily to answer the charges there.

Congress Today

Senate
 Resumes consideration of conferees' report on the emergency employment bill.
 Commerce committee meets to consider the border patrol.
 Interstate Commerce Committee confers with members of the Interstate Commerce Commission on the bill for regulating interstate bus traffic.
 Insular affairs committee considers Porto Rican legislation.
House
 Continues consideration of \$30,000,000 drought relief bill.
 Naval affairs committee continues hearings on building program.
 Merchant marine committee considers protection of Alaskan fisheries.
 Irrigation and reclamation committee considers appropriations for certain drainage projects.
 Fish committee resumes communist investigation.

Publisher's Wife

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 first to reach the wreckage. He helped drag the three injured from the ruins of the building.
 "I had just stepped out of the door when the blast occurred," Wilson said. "There was no flame. It was a dead explosion."
 "Some thought they smelled an odor resembling powder and others thought it resembled nitroglycerine, I couldn't tell what it was," said Wilson.
 He said the roof collapsed but did not fall immediately. This probably saved the lives of the three victims, the witness said. The whole front of the building was blown out and much machinery was hurled into the street.
 The injured were sent to a Dalhart hospital.

Plenty Of Real

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 be mended, painted and given to poor children of the town and county who are not able to buy toys.
 There will be plenty of band music by the Eastland Band and Miss Katie Kellum's Junior Marine band. Also arrangements are being made for a colored string band and possibly a colored male quartet to sing a number of negro spiritual songs, etc. Santa Claus will be here as usual with an abundance of good candy for the little folk. And too there will be the usual large number of balloons, containing slips for valuable prizes, released in the air. Instead of the "turkey scramble" used heretofore, a number of wild Mallard ducks, with wings slightly clipped, will be released and will belong to the lucky person capturing them.
 Still another feature of the program that is to afford much fun is a "jacks polo game." If you have never seen one of these games do not miss the opportunity to see this one.

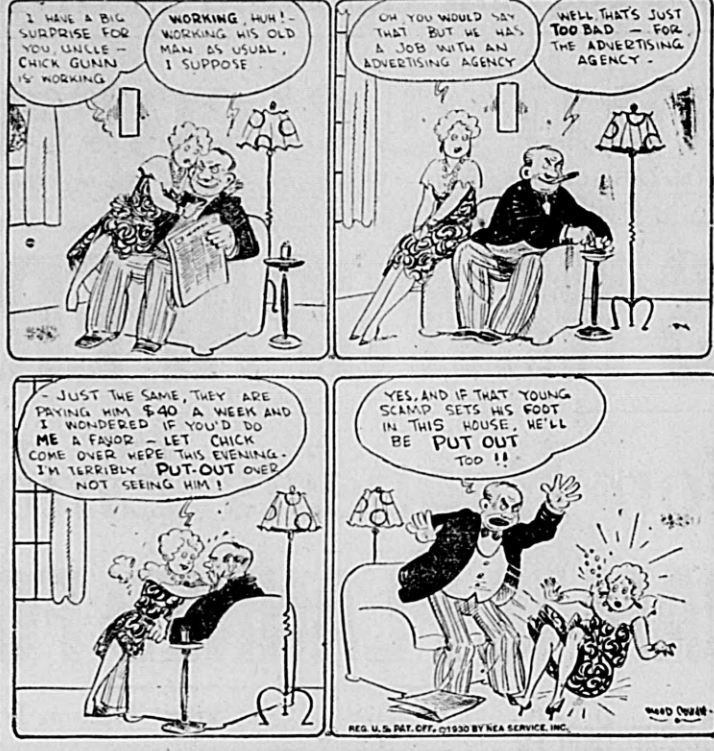
Senator Dies Of Old Wound From Rum War

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Dec. 18.—Senator Frank L. Greene, Republican, died late yesterday at St. Albans hospital after suffering a relapse from his operation for a hernia.
 Members of his immediate family, including his wife and mother, were at his bedside when he died.
 Surviving are the widow, Jessie Emma (Richardson) Greene, two sons, Capt. Richardson L. Greene, attached to Fort Sill, Okla., and Stewart Greene of Boston and a daughter, Mrs. Harris W. Alexander of this city.
 Funeral services will be held at the Congregational Church Saturday, with interment in Greenwood cemetery.
 Frank Leters Greene was born in St. Albans, February 10, 1870.

Leopard Owner Is Under Indictment For Homicide

OLTON, Tex., Dec. 18.—Captain Charles Howard, owner of the circus leopard which fatally clawed James Ewins, 4, at Littlefield last month, today faced a grand jury indictment charging negligent homicide.
 Howard will be tried in Judge Simon D. Hay's county court early in January. The charges is a misdemeanor punishable by not over a year in prison or a fine of not more than \$100.
 Officers arrested Howard at Littlefield and moved him to the Hato county jail in Plainview to prevent a possible demonstration. He has been there since the incident. The leopard was shot after being taken to the Clovis, N. M., zoo for safekeeping.
 Hallettsville.—Gas to be available here within short time.

MOM'N POP



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WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A bullet fired nearly seven years ago in a duel between bootleggers and politicians was believed today to have been largely responsible for the death of Senator Frank L. Greene, Republican, Vt.
 Greene never had recovered completely from the effects of the wound received Feb. 15, 1924, when he was struck by a bullet during the liquor battle on Pennsylvania Avenue here.
 A Republican is expected to be selected to replace Greene. The Senate line-up by parties before his death was Republican, 53, Democrats 42, Farmer-Labor 1.
 U. S. C. Official Commits Suicide
 LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Warren Bovard, vice-president of the University of Southern California, committed suicide today by shooting himself through the head, police reported.
 The noted educator left a note which presumably explained his act but officers refused to release it pending authorization from his friends.
 Bovard was associated with the University of Southern California in an executive position for more than 20 years.
 Rutland, Vt., Dec. 18.—Gov-



BY RODNEY DUTCHER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York first introduced his three bills designed to meet the problem of unemployment. There had been an unusual amount of idleness in that winter and the country has heard a great deal about unemployment since, but there is still some doubt whether the three bills will become law before the present Congress expires in March, 1937.
 At the outset Wagner's was a voice in the wilderness. No one paid much attention to him. Then the Senate passed all three bills at its last session. The House passed the one providing for collection of unemployment statistics, but there was a conspicuous failure to provide any money for such collection. The House enacted almost completely the Wagner bill to create an advance planning board to prepare for unemployment emergencies and merely buried the third, which would give federal aid to state employment agency systems.
 Now, as Congress talks about large sums for emergency unemployment relief, Wagner is in a position to suggest that if the three bills had been passed two years ago the nation would have been able to meet its depression with facilities which would have been at least partially effective. He believes the remaining two bills will be passed in this session and that money will be voted for collection of statistics, but he isn't sure and he says he can't get it through his head why the program wasn't made into law long ago.
Sees Prosperity Hope
 "I hope these bills may still help re-establish good times," Wagner says. "Their wisdom has been indisputably proved by events of the last year. I would prefer to be optimistic, but no one knows how bad conditions are going to be this winter. Last week in New York I saw a breadline where a priest serves simple rations to the hungry. There were 5000 persons in that line on a Sunday afternoon. These things are so sickening that I know when the people understand the unemployment problem they will solve it promptly."
 "The old theory that govern-

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:
 I'm a big boy three years old and I've tried to be a good boy. Be sure and have a lot of trains on hand. If you don't have a light on mine, I just won't have it. Please bring me a negro doll and a pretty doll. The Christmas tree is ready and Lucille will put the decoration up when she comes home from college.
 Please come on, I'll have a time shooting my firecrackers.
 DICK JONE BROGDON
Three Pedestrians Killed By Auto
 LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Three elderly pedestrians were almost instantly killed last night when they were struck by an automobile driven by Fayette Marble, 20, wealthy military academy student.
 The dead were: Samuel O. Cooper, 71; his wife, Leah, 70, and Mrs. Ermine M. Johnson 65.
 Young Marble was held. He is the son of William C. Marble, head of an investment company here.
Aged District Clerk Has Been Missing Fortnight
 FLOYDADA, Tex., Dec. 18.—Relatives and friends of T. P. Gumarin 72, Floyd county district clerk who has been missing for a fortnight, today undertook a wide search for him. Mrs. C. E. Neil reported that she saw the missing man in Amarillo, Dec. 11.
 J. G. Wood, son-in-law, and his sons, T. S. Gumarin, Olney and S. D. Gumarin, Sterling City, have been to Dallas and other points in an effort to locate the missing official.
Insolvent Mill Brings \$130,000
 SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 18.—J. M. Cobby and associates of Dallas have purchased the insolvent Landa Industries Inc., mill property at New Braunfels for a consideration of \$130,000, Henry M. Aubrey referee in bankruptcy, said here today.
Mrs. Ben Lindsey Is Seriously Ill
 LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Ben Lindsey, wife of the foremost advocate of companionate marriage, is on the verge of a nervous breakdown and her condition is critical, it was learned here to-

Markets

Final Stocks
 NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Despite inroads of profit-taking, the stock market made further net gains today and closed higher. Trading volume slipped below the 5,000,000 share pace.
 While the general list was consolidating its gains, a long list of special issues made sensational gains.
 U. S. Steel rose toward 142 to a new high on the recovery at 141 1/2. It later touched 139 1/2, but came back from this figure late in the day.
 All the leading industrials rose with steel, gains ranging from one to four points. Utilities, oils and rails gained a fraction to more than three points. Coppers broke on news of a further cut by exporters in the price of metal, but they rallied from the lows near the close.
 At highs of the day some new shorts lines were put out in anticipation of a decline. This combined with profit-taking brought many of the wide gamblers down half the distance they advanced today. On the dip, however, new buying came into the market and prices moved up again.
Closing Selected New York Stocks
 Am. Pwr. & Light 40 1/2
 Am. Tel. & Tel. 180 3/4
 Anaconda 26
 Aviation Corp. Del. 23 1/2
 Beth. Steel 28 1/2
 Ches. & Ohio 16
 Chrysler 25 1/2
 Curtiss Wright 25
 Gen. Motors 34
 Gen. Motors Pfd. 93 1/2
 Gulf States Stl. 28
 Houston Oil 50 1/2
 Int. Harvester 14 1/2
 Int. Nickel 14 1/2
 Louisiana Oil 18 1/2
 Mackay 18 1/2
 Phillips Pet. 13 1/2
 Pierce Oil 13 1/2
 Prairie Oil & Gas 13 1/2
 Pure Oil 8 1/2
 Radio 13 1/2
 Sears Roebuck 49 1/2
 Shell Union Oil 7 1/2
 Simms Pet. 7 1/2
 Sinclair 19 1/2
 Skelly 11
 Southern Pac. 22 1/2
 S. O. N. J. 46 1/2
 S. O. N. Y. 21 1/2
 Studebaker 22
 Sun Oil 41 1/2
 Texas Corp. 21 1/2
 Texas Gulf Sul. 45 1/2
 Tex. & P. C. & O. 43
 U. S. Steel 139 1/2
 U. S. Steel Pfd. 142
 Warner Quinlan 15
Curbs
 Cities Service 5 1/2
 Gulf Oil Pfd. 65
 Humble Oil 63
 Niaz, Ind. Pwr. 9 1/2
 S. O. Ind. 32 1/2

Hidalgo Vote Fraud Case Is Still In Court

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 18.—Defense testimony was continued today in the trial before federal judge J. C. Hutcherson of six prominent Hidalgo county citizens for conspiracy to deprive voters of their franchise rights in the 1928 election.
 A motion for an instructed verdict of not guilty for all the defendants was to be renewed after the defense rests finally.
 Court attaches believed that at least some of the six would be freed by granting of the motion, because of a statement by the judge that he "did not see how the evidence connects them with the case in any way."
 The six defendants are Alan W. Cameron, Cam E. Hill, Tom Buckover, Sam Hargrove, William Chadwick and Ed P. Williams. Their indictments by a Houston federal grand jury in February was an aftermath of the throwing out of the Weslaco box, giving J. E. Leslie the office of district judge. Gordon Griffin would have been elected if the box had been counted.
 Court adjourned late Wednesday when Cameron, former county judge, left the stand after two and a half hours of testimony and cross examination.
 Cameron, fourth defense witness, denied any conspiracy existed.

Third Bandit Caught By Posse Is Dead Today

DANVILLE, Ill., Dec. 18.—Without confirming his identity, a man believed to be E. H. Hunter, of Terre Haute, Ind., one of five bandits who held up the Citizens State Bank of Clinton, Ill., last Tuesday died in the Vermilion county hospital here today.
 Two of Hunter's companions were killed, he was wounded in the abdomen and two companions were captured near Siedell, Ill., when a posse caught up with them after a running machine gun battle.
 CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Eggs easy; receipts 3,565 cases; extra firsts 26; firsts 24; current receipts 25; ordinaries 20 a 22; seconds 15 a 18.
 Butter easy; receipts 6,761 tubs, extras 28 1/2; extra firsts 27 1/2 a 28; firsts 26 1/2 a 27; seconds 24 1/2 a 25; standards 26.
 Foultry firm; receipts 3 cars; fowls 18; springers 19 1/2; leghorns 13; ducks 17; geese 14 1/2 a 15; turkeys 22 a 32; roosters 13 1/2.
 Cheese: Twins 16 a 16 1/2; Young Americas 16 1/2.
Fort Worth Livestock
 FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 18.—Hogs receipts 1800; market truck hogs steady to 15c lower; rail hogs late in arriving; truck top 800 to packers and small killers, bulk steady grades 170-250 lb truck hogs 780-800; packing sows and pigs steady; packing sows 675-700, stock pigs 625, heavy butcher pigs 700. Good and choice: Light light 140-160 lbs. 725-750, light weight 160-180 lbs. 775-800, light weight 180-200 lbs. 780-800, medium weight 200-220 lbs. 780-800, medium weight 230-250 lbs. 780-800, heavy weight 250-290 lbs. 770-800, heavy weight 290-350 lbs. 740-785, packing sows 275-500 lbs. medium and good 650-725.
 Cattle receipts 1500; market cattle trade poorly tested; slaughter steers and yearlings practically lacking; offerings mostly cows and mixed butcher classes; few fat cows up to 515-550; butcher grades around 325-375, low cutters 200-250; bulls very scarce and mixed cattle nominal; some good stock calves 725, about steady; good fat shorn fat lambs 635-640, one day medium to good fat wethers 400.
 Sheep receipts 700; market, fat lambs steady to quarter lower; fat wethers steady; three decks medium to good fat shorn fat lambs 635-640, one day medium to good fat wethers 400.

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 PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Church destroyed in the seven months after rebuilt and reopened.
 Prisoners Transferred
 TEXARKANA, Dec. 18.—The prisoners several of whom were in a recent jail here have been transferred to Texarkana.

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Sunday — **MARIE DRESSLER** in **"MIN and BILL"**

TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME

across 50 miles of high... deputy sheriff was slain... the flight.
 Hunters could not be... ed regarding the gang's... He refused to tell his... one of the posse recog... Hunter, and the initial... tattooed on his arm com... identification.

Park To Home "Black Jack" In Home

LACLEDE, Mo., Dec. 18.—General John J. Pershing, born in this Missouri town, honored here by a memorial form of a 3,000-acre park. The memorial will be... Pershing National Park.
 According to tentative project will cost approx \$500,000 when complete park will be located in the Creek bottoms west of... was in this section when played as a boy.
 The initiative for the park was taken by old friends and neighbors of the general.
 A state and national organization, bearing the name, has been organized. A committee has been formed to secure more definite plans for the memorial.
 Plans so far are for to take the uplands... posed park for the people wild life, and for the to take the bottom lands refuge of migratory birds.
 General Pershing was fished in this section by a boy and on his trip said that he always was at the banks of the La... The committee seeks to solicit the assistance of Jean Legion posts and others in the country, a state and national organization to put the program.
 Chambers of commerce surrounding cities have their approval of the plan.

Where Word Was Origin

LONDON.—The "tariff" is said to have been in Arabic, at an time being in force only near Gibraltar, where levied taxes on all ships the Mediterranean.

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Schmeling Offered Half Million For Stribling Fight

By HENRY McLEMORE
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Five hundred thousand dollars being not one cent less than half a million dollars no matter how long or which way you count it, Joe Jacobs, manager of Max Schmeling, was running in wide circles today.

The magic words—half a million—almost forgotten in prize fight circles, were whispered into Jacobs' ears yesterday by matchmaker Nate Lewis of the Chicago stadium. The half million was Schmeling's, Lewis told Jacobs, if the heavyweight champion would risk his title against "W. L." Young, Stribling at Chicago in June.

Lewis had no more than spoken the magic words and waved the telegram from stadium officials giving him the right to utter them, than Jacobs began his circling.

"Half a million and me already

promised Schmeling to the milk fund for its June or September card."

As much as Jacobs wanted the babies to have their milk, he wasted little time in getting in touch with milk fund officials and forwarding to them Lewis' suggestion that the Schmeling-Stribling fight be held in Chicago with the milk fund and a Chicago charity splitting the "gate."

Jacobs got little satisfaction from the milk fund, its promoters telling him they were not interested in the Chicago proposition. They were not interested even after Jacobs pointed out that the Chicago folks, with a stadium seating some 150,000 persons, might manage to make the fight a \$1,500,000 affair.

Jacobs also pointed out that Chicago was the center of the German population in the country and the good burghers would come from such distant points as St. Louis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, and Cincinnati, to watch Schmeling in action.

Jacobs ended his talk to the charity promoters with the reminder that Stribling is exceedingly popular in Chicago as a result of his quick knockout of Otto Von Porat and his win over Tuffy Griffiths, whereas in New York he is considered nothing more than an adagio dancer and not such a good one at that.

Jacobs' big hope today was that the "New York" commission, by its decree that Schmeling must meet Jack Sharkey for the title, would force the milk fund to stage its bout in Chicago. Jacobs, along with many others, is of the opinion that Schmeling and Sharkey such their exhibition here last summer, would not crowd a zoo-sized telephone booth.

Amarillo Is Favorite In State Finals

By UNITED PRESS
FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 17.—Football scribes today entered a new note in their scorebooks.

"The further west you go, the tougher they get."

Amarillo's Golden Sandstorms, rated favorite in the coming gridiron classic against Tyler high school's powerful machine for some reason, the state has claimed the Panhandle into the limelight of the Texas Interscholastic League for the first time since the records were opened in 1920.

In the decade which has seen many entries in those records, central, north-central, and western portions of the state have claimed honors. Tyler's terrific advent into the finals of the schoolboy race places a new section of Texas to the fore likewise. Champions have come, and champions have gone, but never one out of east Texas.

Whether the new rule that many fans and scribes were barking today is a fable or an axiom will not be known until Saturday at sundown in the T. C. U. stadium at Fort Worth. The rule was written by those fans who lead much weight to the fact that the Sandies have surpassed such teams as Abilene, Cleburne, Corsicana, Waco, Breckenridge, Cisco, Lubbock, Ranger and Pampa, all of which have been named to conjure with at one time or another in the schoolboy gridiron race.

Coach Blair Cherry, mentor of the Panhandle team, declared today his team would be prepared to display every known feat of football science at Fort Worth Saturday. Cherry plans to taper off training with a final fast schedule Thursday, leaving only a light drill for Friday to break the monotony of waiting for the kickoff.

Officers Without Clues In The Brutal Slaying Of Teacher

By UNITED PRESS
MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 17.—Led by Sheriff Harvey England, a posse of at least 100 men today scoured the country around this Missouri town for trace of the brutal slayer of Miss Velma Colter, pretty 19 year old school teacher whose torn and mutilated body was found in her country school room four miles southwest of here last night.

The entire community, shocked beyond belief by the brutality of the killing, which, according to the coroner, was preceded by a criminal attack upon the young woman, rose before daylight to continue the search begun last night.

Bloodhounds, brought here last night after the finding of the body, had failed, in the cold and darkness, to pick up the trail of the slayer, and were taken from the hunt shortly after midnight.

Posse of only one meager clue, the posse was without definite trace of the killer, and today one was young farmer living near the school, furnished the only information regarding the assailant. He told Sheriff England he had seen a man lurking near the school yesterday, and added that the prowler, on one occasion, leaped behind a tree to avoid being seen when Miss Colter emerged from the building.

The young teacher's body was found by T. H. Thompson, at whose home the young woman lived. He had gone to the school to look for her when she did not arrive home at the usual time. He came upon her mangled and beaten body lying in the center of the room. She had been beaten on the head and her clothing was almost completely torn from her body.

Disarrangement of furnishings of the room and blood spattered at widely separated spots on the floor indicated she had put up a terrific fight.

Dr. C. V. Humberd of Branard, Mo., Nodaway county coroner, was called. An examination made shortly afterward revealed, he said definite evidence of a criminal attack.

About 250 men joined the posse last night as the search began. They beat the brush near the school until darkness made further search hopeless. Open assertions were made that the slayer, if found would be given summary treatment.

Miss Colter, who was serving her first term at the Garrett school, was known to almost everyone in Maryville. She had attended high school here, graduating in 1928, and had gone one year to the teacher's college here.

Levelland — Levelland Steam Laundry moves to Lykes building; equipment being enlarged and facilities added to care for increased patronage.

BLANTON IN HEADLINES AT THE CAPITOL

Tom Blanton, member of Congress from this district, broke on to front page of the Washington Star on Saturday with his demand that the taxes of the residents of the District of Columbia be raised as the district owes the national government \$50,000,000. The article follows:

"Representative Thomas L. Blanton of Texas appeared before the Mapes committee hearing matters relating to the adjustment of fiscal relations between the District and Federal governments today and suggested greatly increased taxation on real estate and everything else in the District and

said that, while the Federal Government was under no moral obligation to pay anything, he thinks the Federal Government should, 'out of goodness of its heart,' furnish a gratuity each year to help the District meet its bills."

"He stalked into the room with a bound copy of the Congressional Record for 1924 under his arm and read from it a letter from Representative Ben Johnson of Kentucky, at that time chairman of the District Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee, to the effect that the result of many years of contributions by the Federal Government to the District was that the District owed the Government upward of 50 millions of dollars at that time. In order to show that the District tax rate is low, which at that time had a tax rate of \$1.10 per hundred, he read from the Record a list of the tax rates of comparable cities. The first was Peoria, which had a tax rate of \$6, and all of the others were higher than the rate in Washington at the time.

"Would Change Assessment."

"He said that the law should be changed so that real property here is assessed at 75 per cent of its value instead of the present 100 per cent and that the rate should be raised to \$2. The assessor should be compelled to assess each

parcel at 15 per cent or else he should be impeached. Blanton said.

"How would you see to it that the assessment was 75 per cent?" asked Chairman Mapes of the committee.

"Put him in jail!" suggested Tax Assessor William P. Richards, who happened to be in the audience.

"Warning up to the subject, Mr. Blanton then suggested that our rate on intangible property of \$5 per thousand was 'ridiculously low' and that it should be raised to a 'fair amount,' so that when people made a million dollars in States where the taxation was high they would not be tempted to bring it to Washington and lock it up in safety deposit boxes."

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Five Vacancies Remain On The All-Star Team

DALLAS, Dec. 18.—Only five vacancies remained today on the roster of all-stars who are to comprise the Southwest team that meets Bob Zuppe's middle westerners in the Dixie classic here on New Year's day.

Wednesday President Joe Utay received acceptances of invitations to play from Bob Fields, 195 pound tackle and Hilary Lee, rated the outstanding guard of the big six conference, both from the University of Oklahoma, and Ira Hopper, S. M. U. regular fullback.

Two more tackles, two more backfield men, and one guard remain to be found in order to make Coaches Moreley Jennings and Ray Thompson's outfit complete. The completed squad is to consist of 22 men: four ends, four tackles, four guards, two centers and eight backs.

The squad now it now stands is: Ends, Long of S. M. U. Peterson of Texas, Lott of Okla., A. & M. Brown.

Tackles, Fields, University of Okla.; and S. L. Wither, Baylor. Centers, Noble Atkins of T. C. U. and Parsons, Baylor. Quarterbacks, Jake Wilson, Baylor, and Brown Centenary. Halfbacks Dale of Arkansas, and McCarver of Howard Payne. Fullbacks, Griffith of T. C. U., and Hopper, S. M. U.

Tyler Has Last Workout Before Amarillo Tilt

TYLER, Tex., Dec. 18.—Blue-clad schoolboys of Tyler, comprising the lightest team ever to sweep down out of East Texas and startle the state with superb performance on the gridiron, buckled down to their last workout in their own backyard today with a strange earnestness.

"Amarillo next" is the word of the day here. Nor is it uttered with a low or uncertain tremolo. The East Texas empire is turning out solidly in support of its gridiron representatives. Coach George Foltz, Tyler, posted victory on the score card with the upset contents of the doge bucket more than once this season, and they aim to do it again.

Amarillo has a powerful football team. Foltz commented yesterday, but the Tyler mentor does not give the Panhandlers one millimeter of an edge in the contest. Amarillo may have played over its head in the Corsicana game, and is due a letdown after two tough games in a row that began with Breckenridge, Foltz believes.

Coaches Fitz and Rufus King, will journey to Fort Worth Friday, carrying a squad of 35 players. Preceding him will be Amarillo's Golden Sandstorm, which takes a southward course this evening, arriving in Fort Worth early Friday.

A special train over the Cotton Belt, engineered more or less by Carl Estes, publisher of the Courier-Times Telegraph at Tyler, will carry some 2,000 roaring fans to the epic of high school squads. The train leaves Tyler early Saturday and will stop for reinforcements at Athens, Corsicana, and Ennis before proceeding to the city out where the west begins.

Rupert Craig, editor of the Athens Review will fill one car with Athens fans. Hal Winstenborough of the Marshall News Messenger will have charge of another, and Lowry Martin of the Corsicana Sun will commandeer a third.

Cross Questions Fail To Change Shepard's Story

By REX R. GOAD
United Press Staff Correspondent
KANSAS CITY, Kans., Dec. 17.—A final broadside of questions on cross examination today failed to shake the testimony of Maj. Charles A. Shepard, on trial in federal court here on a charge of murdering his wife.

For nearly an hour S. M. Brewster, United States District Attorney, shouted his inquiries at the army officer without forcing him to change at any vital point the story he had told on direct examination.

Maj. Shepard then was excused from the stand. He walked across the court room to the defense table with a smile on his face.

The major testified with apparent frankness and at no time was he forced from his version of Mrs. Shepard's death and his love for her from San Antonio, Tex.

He was led by Brewster through his life with Mrs. Shepard from their honeymoon in San Diego, Calif., in 1916 to her death at Fort Riley, Kans., in June, 1929.

The major told his wife of drinking on her honeymoon and of his efforts for years to cure her of the craving for alcohol.

Brewster attempted to pin Maj. Shepard down as to whether he thought his wife was a drug addict.

"I only know that she took morphine tablets from my medicine satchel, he replied.

When Brewster tried to trip him up as to why he made an untrue statement to government agents in Denver regarding his life with Mrs. Shepard, the witness shot back:

"Men don't usually talk about their family affairs with everyone who asks them."

Maj. Shepard repeated the incidents of his wife's fatal illness. They were the same as given on direct examination.

He insisted the only reason he objected to an autopsy over her body was because she had a dread of "being cut up."

Throughout his testimony Maj. Shepard declared his regard for Miss Brandon prior to the death of his wife was purely one of friendship and admiration.

After Mrs. Shepard's death, the witness declared, the friendship developed into love for the young Texas woman, to whom he subsequently became engaged.

He told of an agreement with Mrs. Shepard that each was to marry within a year if the other died.

Forty Men Buried In Factory Blast

By UNITED PRESS
TOULOUSE, France, Dec. 18.—Forty men were reported buried under the debris of a calcium carbide factory at Mancieux, near Saint Gaudens, today after an explosion wrecked the plant.

It was feared most of the men were dead. Sixty other workers in the factory at the time of the explosion escaped.

Hebronville—Number of 106K boxes to be installed at post office.

No. 3184
In the Matter of the Guardianship of Wynogene Medford, Robert Daryl Medford and Laura Kate Medford, Minors.
In the County Court of Eastland County, Texas.
November Term, A. D., 1930.
To all persons interested in the above minors and their estates: You are hereby notified that I, J. G. Medford, have on this 17 day of December, A. D., 1930, filed with the Judge of the County Court of Eastland County, Texas, an application for authority to make to the Lone Star Gas Company, a corporation, as lessee, an oil and gas lease covering that certain land belonging to Wynogene Medford, Robert Daryl Medford and Laura Kate Medford, minors, described more fully as follows:

- All of the D. T. Robinson Survey, located in Comanche County, Texas, containing 80 acres, more or less, being the same land as described in a deed from Mrs. M. R. Floose, grantor, to Allen Dunn, grantee, recorded in Volume 44, at Page 358, of the Deed Records of the said Comanche County, Texas.
- All of the Nancy Rector Survey, located in Eastland and Comanche Counties, Texas, containing 118 acres, more or less, being the same land patented to T. J. Holmesley by Patent No. 199, Volume 6, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of a Tract Emption Survey of 80 acres made for D. T. Robinson, a stone mound in West line of Section No. 45, D. & D. Assylum, P. O. bears N. 38 1/2 degrees E. 7 varas and P. O. bears N. 74 deg. E. 6 varas.
- Thence N. at 103 1/2 varas pass Northwest corner of said Section No. 45, 1286 varas to Northeast corner and a corner of G. C. & S. P. R. Co. Survey and in South line of T. & N. O. R. Co. Survey No. 4.
- Thence West 520 varas to the Northeast corner of Section No. 3 and Southeast Corner of No. 2, T. & N. O. R. Co. Company.
- Thence South 1286 varas to the Northwest corner of said D. T. Robinson Tract, P. O. bears N. 17 1/2 deg. W. 3 varas; P. O. bears N. 9 deg. E. 1.6 varas.
- Thence East 520 varas to the place of beginning."

and that such application will be heard in the County Court room of the Courthouse of Eastland County, Texas, on the 3rd day of January, A. D., 1931, being a date more than seven days subsequent to the filing of the said application.

J. G. Medford,
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MURDER ON THE RIDGE

BY ANNE AUSTIN

(Continued from page 3)

take his things away when Saturday morning, but he was only because she want Ralph Hammond to man's belongings there. If occasion to go in the morning, making his estimate of the finishing up of the. But he contends, and arr, whom I also saw again rning, supports him in it, yed in the house occasion- en Nita was particularly about being alone, and y were not lovers."

"... Don't wipe the off that plate. Here's an- inclined to say 'Pooh!' too, Dundee assured her, "but Miles told me last night came to get Lydia that ally seemed to be in love with—part of the time, at thought enough of Dexter to send for him to come here, and to root her head him to get the job of mak- movie." Penny reminded revely, making a great g in the dishpan. "—you don't think she was with Ralph?" Dundee ask-

"I don't know!" the girl "I thought so sometimes— grace to hope so, anyway, Ralph was so crazy about 's the point, Penny," Dun- her gently. "Everyone ed to this morning, includ- rague, seems sure that familton was mad about im- of course he would kill enny scoffed bitterly. Penny—when he discov- rague's easily-recognized draped over the mirror in a bedroom in Nita's. For they were there en when Ralph went into room yesterday morning." do you know he saw

use he left this behind andee admitted reluctan- wiped his hands before an initialed silver pencil breast pocket. "I found the edge of the bed. The are R. H." "I recognize it," Penny ad- urning sharply away. "to him myself, for a s present. I thought I ord to give silver pencils n. Dad hadn't bolted yet e crooked an elbow and er face against it for a Then she flung up her bobbed head defiantly.

must have been—well, in bad way, since he loved wanted to—marry her," persisted painfully. "Re- that Polly Beale found there when she stopped Nita a life to Breakaway is not hard to imagine k place. We know that rly canceled her lunch- gement with Nita and the ou, and went into town ph, after making sure s would join them. I saw ammond myself for an in- hout knowing who he I remember now think- ooked far too ill to eat. neching at the Stuart self when they came into room, you know." y to hang him on, I see!" ed furiously.

"s a little more, Penny," ent of, "Polly Beale and ammond were mortally at Ralph would come to all party! I'm sure Clive ph promise to stay away, both Clive and Polly did him to keep his promise. y, I am sure, Clive be- d to join him in the. Without entering the liv- to speak to Nita. You re- they said they stayed during the playing of—"

"call it the 'death hand' scream!" They stayed all Karen discovered the am sure they chose that use of its many windows dild watch for Ralph's out and head him off. away by force if neces- skeep him from making a believe they knew he had his heart, and that he a way to get a gun—" you also found out that go's gun yesterday?" found that it was pos- sible to do so," Dundee. "The butler was off ernoons until 6 o'clock, no one in the house but maid and the three- baby."

And I suppose you and Polly didn't have head Ralph off, as you that they did see him away after he killed e voice was still brittle but there were inde- ar in it, too. Dundee replied, "I don't saw him. I feel pretty me into the house by way, and through the into Nita's room. He known Clive and Polly n the lookout for him. rate, I have proof that ot Nita from in front ndow near the porch ward the back hall."

And he told her of the big bronze lamp, whose bulb had been broken, reminding her of its place at the head of the chaise longue which was set between the two west windows.

"That was the 'bang or bump' Flora Miles heard while she was hiding in the closet," he explained. "I suppose Flora has told all of you about it? . . . I thought so. Muffled as she was in the closet, it is unlikely that she could have heard Nita's frantic whisperings to Ralph. . . . I doubt if he spoke at all. . . . Nita must have been sure he was leaving by the porch door."

Dimly there came the ring of the telephone. With a curt word, Penny excused herself to answer it. . . . "Bonnie" Penny was coming

back, walking like a somnambulist, her brown eyes wide and fixed. "That was—Ralph! And he doesn't even know Nita is dead!" (To Be Continued)

Dan Names His Greatest Work

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 17.—Establishment of the office of state auditor and efficiency expert has been the greatest single accomplishment of his administration, Gov. Dan Moody says.

Looking back over nearly four years of his term, he picks upo-

that as its outstanding feature. With it the governor planned institution of state civil service but that plan was met by an impenetrable wall of opposition in the state legislature.

In a measure Moore Lynn, auditor and efficiency expert, substitutes for civil service tests. His reports not only discrepancies or shortages that develop in departmental accounts but he reports also on efficiency of operation. . . . Quite a wave of indignation swept the capital when Lynn sent out his first efficiency questionnaire. He dared to ask employees what proportion of their time they devoted to work.

Part of the duties of the auditor is to make reports to the legislature and the governor. Several already have been made. Resignation of State Comptroller S. H. Terrell, came while the

legislature was considering charges made by the auditor relative to operation of the comptroller's office. Resignations have followed also his reports on operation and management of two state eleemosynary institutions.

Reports now are in preparation on other departments of state government. One of these is the state blind school. That report, about completed, need cause no anxiety, Lynn says. Just now the auditor is at work on a prison system report. Such a report for the next legislature was named specifically in the bill by which the auditing department was authorized.

"Department is a flattering term to give the auditing and efficiency force. It was given \$25,000 to get started on and run a year and is now operating in its second year on a \$20,000 appropriation. It consists of the audi-

tor and three assistants, with a chief clerk and stenographers. With this force they are to supervise 13,000 regular and 900 occasional state employees and their actions.

For the next biennium the state budget proposes to allow the auditor's department \$59,700 the first year and \$64,700 the second. A special fund has also been recommended in the budget of \$50,000 a year for two years to audit oil and gas royalties that have accrued and that are accruing to the permanent state school fund and the permanent state university fund from their land holdings.

Five thousand a year is also proposed for installation of new accounting system in state departments.

Huntsville—Large force of men at work here laying gas mains.

Dog Trails Owner Into A Hospital

PITTSFIELD, Mass.—Mrs. Carrie Pryce's Scotch collie was not at home when she was taken unexpectedly to Hillcrest Hospital. Nevertheless the dog appeared next day at her bedside. Mrs. Pryce was mystified as to how her pet learned of her whereabouts.

well, who will be a member of the Texas legislature convening in January.

Carthage—Good progress being made on traveling roads in Panola county.

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Plans Three More Taxes For Texans

HILLSBORO, Tex.—An income tax, a tobacco tax and perhaps a tax on movie tickets is proposed by Representative-Elect J. R. Don-

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FRIDAY'S CALENDAR

Beethoven Club recital, in the High School auditorium, at 7:45 p. m.
Baptist Church choir practice, at the church, at 7:30 p. m.

MARTHA DORCAS CLASS HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Martha Dorcas Class' annual Christmas party was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. A. Martin. The living room was beautifully decorated with cut roses and a lighted Christmas tree loaded with gifts. The table which had a cover of Italian fillet was laid with silver service. The centerpiece was a bowl of beautiful poinsettias. Both rooms were beautifully lighted with red and green lights.

The president, Mrs. Kenney, presided. The opening song was "Silent Night." A very amusing contest was enjoyed. Gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree. The refreshments were served in the form of an informal tea. Mrs. Mack O'Neil poured coffee. Mrs. W. E. Coleman served the salad. The refreshments consisted of chicken salad with poinsettia trimming, crackers, nut and date cookies, pickles, cranberry sauce, coffee and milk.

Those present were: Mmes. R. H. Harrison, D. C. Hawley, J. E. Adams, J. W. Miller, O. O. Mickle, D. J. Jobe, George Shearer, T. J. Haley, W. L. Van Geem, A. J. Treadwell, W. H. Mullings, Roy Stokes, B. O. Harrell, Don McEachern, L. Roper, W. B. Harris, W. C. Marlow, R. E. Sikes, Howard Brock, E. Pollack, B. L. Mackall, Joda Odum, Ed Townsend, Ed Graham, F. M. Kenney, R. L. Young and little son of Abilene, Rev. George W. Shearer and a number of children. Mrs. Martin gave a reading on the New Year's resolutions.

Mrs. Martin was house hostess with Mrs. W. E. Coleman, Mrs. Mack O'Neil, and Mrs. P. R. Cook, co-hostesses.

PRESBYTERIANS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, at the Presbyterian church the annual Christmas party of the Bethany Class was held. Mrs. J. Tabbleman, Mrs. F. Bond, and Mrs. M. Q. Taylor were hostesses. An attractive Christmas tree and Christmas colors decorated the church. A program consisting of readings and musical numbers was rendered. Each member was presented a gift from the Christmas tree and each drew a name for the next year. A lunch box tied with red and green ribbon containing the refreshments was passed to each member.

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BEETHOVEN CLUB RECITAL TO BE FRIDAY

Mrs. A. F. Taylor will present her piano pupils of the Beethoven Club in a recital Friday evening, at 7:45 o'clock, in the High School auditorium, assisted by the Glee Club and the High School and Junior High School expression pupils of Miss Oneida Russell.

Those who will appear on the program are: Douglas Ideolet, Betty Stire, Edith Meek, Lula Mae Smith, Evelyn Smith, Ruby Nell Bean, Jeanne Johnston, Jeannie Talbot, Marie Plummer, Thelma Stokes, L. G. Tucker, Faye Tucker, Anna Ruth Thurman and Luzelle Guy.

The public is invited to attend. No admission will be charged.

RECITAL GIVEN TUESDAY NIGHT

The recital which was given Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock in the High School auditorium by the piano pupils of Mrs. F. O. Hunter, was attended by a large and appreciative audience. The Junior High and West Ward Glee Clubs also took part on the program.

Oil Men Make Demand For Oil Tariff At Meet

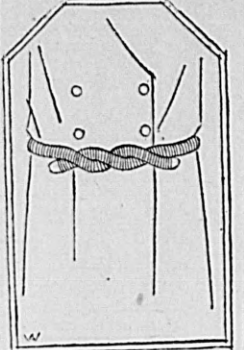
DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 16.—Members of the Texas division of the Midcontinent Oil and Gas Association in session here today demanded that congress levy a tariff on foreign oil to place the foreign operator under the same handicaps which domestic oil men now feel as the result of proration.

Cooperative action to prevent a crash in the crude oil market as the result of the opening of the new Rusk county oil pool in East Texas was urged as imperative. Speakers characterized oil men taking advantage of the present proration situation as "worse than Chicago gangsters and medieval robber barons," a resolution urged that the Texas legislature and Texas railroad commission investigate and expel from the state "those companies which think they're too big to observe the law" regarding pipeline retake takings.

Robert Penn, Dallas, predicted that the new Rusk county field will be one of the largest fields in history and that it offered peculiar advantages to the "bootleg" oil market.

"We can expect a debacle in the East Texas field and the consequent crashing of the entire crude oil price structure unless means are discovered for its output to be regulated," declared Penn.

Tom Cranfill, speaking as a representative of the Independent Petroleum association and also a member of the Midcontinent organization, suggested an embargo on foreign gasoline, a tariff of \$1 per barrel on crude oil and letter enforcement of the pipeline retake takings law. Resolutions were



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adopted embodying these proposals.

Lon A. Smith of the Texas Railroad Commission, and Denny Parker, chief of the oil and gas division of the commission, were present.

FASHIONS

Brighter Colors and More Daring Lines Demanded By the Junoesque

By FRANCES PAGET
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NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Makers of dresses for large women observe that the larger woman seems to be more reconciled to the proportions of her figure than in recent years and buyers of larger women's apparel are now demanding that models should appeal to the "eye even if it is necessary to sacrifice some of the long-held theories on what constitute slenderizing lines. The demand for attractiveness is now affecting fabrics and colors also. It is especially significant, perhaps, that for the first time in many seasons, crepe dresses for larger women are now being shown in bright colors which have always been more or less taboo. High shades as well as red may be had in afternoon dresses.

All this is most gratifying to the large army of women who have heretofore found difficulty in getting fitted in anything but "old lady clothes." Since old ladies themselves have disappeared from view it seems rather absurd to impose an extra penalty on the "stylish stout" by making her wear a type of thing spurned by grandmas.

Legislature To Consider Plans To Raise Money

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 17.—Plans for raising state revenue by an income tax and proposals for natural resource taxes promise to furnish so lively a fight in the session of the legislature in January that both may fail and leave the ad valorem tax plan still in force.
An income tax was sponsored by Gov. Dan Moody, before a session of the last legislature. It failed to pass. Then T. N. Mauritz of Ganada took it up and sponsored income tax bills at two special sessions without effect.
Natural resource taxes propo-

ed on oil and gas led to a series of committee hearings that failed to find where to put the tax. A sulphur tax of 55 cents a ton passed after a spectacular fight. Other resources escaped added tax.

Phil Sanders, author of the bill for a dollar a ton on sulphur, which finally was scaled down to 55 cents, says he has no bills drafted, but admits he is much interested in tax questions and may have some at the session.

Rep. J. M. Claunch of Snyder, now working in the state comptroller's office and gathering data, will advocate an income tax. Something must be done to relieve the farmer of ad valorem taxes, said Claunch, and an income tax is the fairest way. Rep. George W. Coltrin of Mathis and Rep. J. R. Donnell of Hillsboro are also favoring an income tax to relieve the ad valorem burden.

Mrs. N. R. Strons of Slocum, who will join the list of women representatives, leans toward a natural resource tax to relieve the small farm and home owner.

Representative Donnell believes that something more than legislation will be needed to relieve tax burdens. He will advocate submission of a constitutional amendment to the voters, which would encourage home ownership of taxable property which has not been put on record at the courthouse. Now possession of a watch, whether rendered for tax or not, has been held to make a voter eligible to ballot on bond issues. Senator Cousins proposes that bond issue voting be limited to those who have an interest in the property the bonds will affect. This

way financing are in prospect. Sen. Walter Woodul of Houston and Rep. Walter Beck of Fort Worth are out for a revival of the state bond issue plan, despite the overwhelming vote in the first Democratic primary for candidates opposing bonds. Rep. J. W. Adamson of Denison is a new member who will support the bonds, though he feels the plan should be modified.

There will also be new opposition to highway bonds. J. R. Donnell, a member of the thirty-ninth legislature, is coming back to the forty-second. He says rather than vote road bonds, he would submit a constitutional amendment under which all the gasoline tax would go to highways. Now a fourth of it goes to schools because it is levied as an occupation tax. The constitution gives schools a fourth of all occupation taxes.

Sen. W. R. Cousins of Beaumont and Rep. P. L. Anderson of San Antonio are both coming to the session with plans to limit the general voting of bonds. Anderson proposes that no man be permitted to vote in a bond election whose ownership of taxable property has not been put on record at the courthouse. Now possession of a watch, whether rendered for tax or not, has been held to make a voter eligible to ballot on bond issues. Senator Cousins proposes that bond issue voting be limited to those who have an interest in the property the bonds will affect. This

in effect limits the bond vote to real estate owners.

LEGAL RECORDS

Filed In District Court

Erma Stamps vs. J. T. Stamps, divorce.
Lettitia Mae Arant vs. J. T. Arant vs. J. W. Six vs. G. C. Barkley, for suit on note.
Winnie Mabley Lichenor vs. James E. Lichenor, for divorce.
L. W. Mitchell Jr. vs. The Texas and Pacific Ry. Co., for damages.
City of Ranney vs. Francis Kinney, et al., to foreclose proving assessment lien.

Filed In County Court

Mrs. L. D. Hillier et al. vs. U. C. Reynolds, for debt and foreclosure.
S. D. Hart vs. Hickory Oil and Gas Corp., for damages.
The following marriage license have been issued by County Clerk R. L. Jones:
Henry Haverland, Lufkin to Miss Verba Wagley, Cisco.
C. G. Penn, Cisco, to Miss May Sullivan, Cisco.
Ted Rogers, Eastland to Miss Jewel Lawson, Gorman.
Gardner Harris, Flatwoods, to Miss May Wilson, Gorman.
J. W. Foster, Cisco, to Miss Myrtle Brown, Cisco.
M. L. Hill, Ranger, to Miss Lois Battles Rancier.
Wesley Smith, Cisco, to Miss Inez Surles, Cisco.
Dr. C. G. Dountain, Eastland, to Miss Corinne Ford, Dallas.
L. F. Overstreet, Gorman, to Miss Bonnie Wayne McCulley, Gorman.
J. R. Haynes, Rising Star, to Miss Pauline Steel, Rising Star.

Wants To Play Santa But Hubby Punches Her Nose

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—This is one Christmas eve that Mrs. Carrie Budd is not going to be hit in the eye or on the nose—not at least if a suit for divorce can prevent it.

For five consecutive Christmas eves, Mrs. Budd charged in a suit on file today, her husband, John, not only refused to play Santa Claus for the children himself but also objected to her doing so.

Four times when she donned the Santa makeup and jingled into the house, Bud became so enraged he

hit her in the eye, she charged her on the nose.
This year, she stated, she is to play Santa Claus again, taking precautions ahead of time by filing the suit, a full advance.

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This story is about the big annual task of getting ready for the enormous winter demand for gas. The work begins in the spring and lasts until fall.

Without compressor stations it would be impossible to send gas through the pipe lines fast enough to supply everyone with gas during cold weather. So naturally one of the largest projects of the past summer's program was the erection of three new compressor stations.

A huge new compressor station erected at Brad, 25 miles west of Mineral Wells, involved the building of a 20,000,000-gallon lake, its water to be used in cooling the big compressor engines. Another compressor station was built at Joshua, 18 miles southeast of Fort Worth, and another was



A view of the 20,000,000-gallon lake that was built to cool the compressor engines at Brad.

One of the unusual engineering feats accomplished during the summer was taking up and re-laying 80 miles of pipe, north of Petrolia, leading from the Oklahoma gas fields. This pipe was lifted out of the ditch, scraped free of dirt and corroded material, old joints replaced with new, treated with a protective covering, thoroughly tested, and re-laid in the ditch. This was done to further insure you a constant flow of gas this winter.

Many new miles of pipe line were added to the net work of the company's system, which now contain 3700 miles of main pipe line.

Work is now under way on the construction of a suspension bridge to carry a pipe line from Oklahoma over the Red River. The two main towers of this bridge are 103 feet high, and it will have a total length, from anchor to anchor, of 1760 feet. Its completion will eliminate the last hazardous river crossing on the Lone Star system.

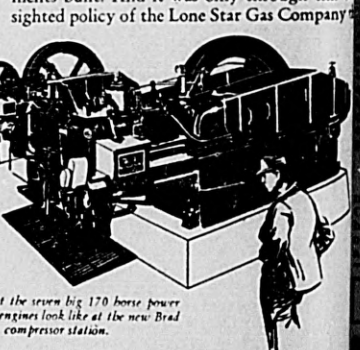
But, of course, all of this mechanical equipment would be of no avail without a plentiful supply of natural gas. So during this year, 65 wells were drilled to add to the more than 1,000 wells the Lone Star Gas Company already operates in 31 fields.

Now with all of this marvelous equipment and bountiful supply of gas, someone must see that you receive the fullest benefit from both. The gas dispatcher is that man. When a "blue norther" swoops down with breath-taking suddenness, he is the one who sees to it that you have a constant flow of gas. At his command is a small army of telephone operators, compressor station attendants, field men, truck drivers, repair men—all coordinated through 1,200 miles of private telephone wires, that vibrate with rapid-fire orders.

In this mammoth two million-dollar summer construction program of the Lone Star Gas Company, hundreds of men were given employment and hundreds of thousands of dollars paid them in wages.

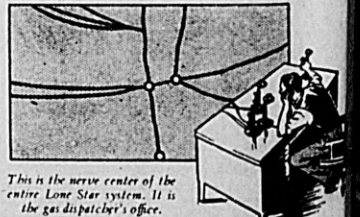
During the 22 years that the Lone Star Gas Company has been serving the Southwest, it has expended millions of dollars yearly for improvement of its service to you. Today its investment totals one hundred million dollars!

The summer's activities just described are by no means unusual. Every summer new equipment must be purchased and new improvements built. And it was only through this long-sighted policy of the Lone Star Gas Company that



This is what the seven big 170-horse power compressor engines look like at the new Brad compressor station.

it was able to keep a constant flow of gas coming to you through the unexpected bitter cold of winter when the thermometer went down below zero.



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There is one thought that is always uppermost in the minds of every member of the vast Lone Star organization. It is, "the gas must be there—wherever and whenever it is required by



The new 1,760-foot suspension bridge that will carry a Lone Star pipe line over the Red River.

erected in the X-Ray field in Erath County. There were fifteen compressor engines installed in these three new compressor stations.

A gigantic 1250-horse power engine was added to the immense compressor station at Petrolia, making a total of 7,500-horse power at this one station. In all there are 27 compressor stations, to help send gas to you this winter when the thermometer goes down.



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