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had been drilled to a ess of 4,150 feet and aturated Ellenburger firm decided to plug esser depth.

etologist to ak at Chapel Ranger Schools

Leo T. Murray, eminent gist and authority on ge and forms will address ined assemblies of the Junior College and High tudents Friday, January 1, at 11:30 a. m.

native of Carbon, Tex- the degree of Doctor of y from Cornell Univer- thaca, N. Y. At the pre- ce, Doctor Murray is di- of the Museum of Natural in Baylor University, uses one of the largest t complete reptile collec- the United States. He is eiate professor of Zoolo- ylor University. Honorary t he holds include an position in the Texas of Science, President of al Texas Wildlife Fed- and President of the Texas Archeological So-

Murray will speak on ge and habits and will thirty minute moving pic- es taken during a re- to the Chisos Mountains ig Bend Country, and in ico. The funds for this were granted by the er Foundation. Spec- dian Culture and actual remains of prehistoric re prepared by James E. head of the department al Sciences of Ranger llege during his recent with the Baylor Mu- member of its staff. e the first time that s material has been re- in the museum for pur- hhibition.

Visitors at ting In Kokomo

y meeting of the Koko- nity Agricultural As- was held Friday night at mo clubhouse with Home- ration Agent Ruth Ra- stant Home Agent Ma- well and Assistant Coun- am Rosenberg among vis-

Coyote Making as Alarm Clock

By United Press IDENCE, R. L.—Instead arm clock, Mrs. Josephine has a pet coyote named that wakes her each morn- icking her face. t from her brother, an ma Teachers' College stu- the coyote plays around the with her two cats and is the bedpost each night.

Honeymooning in Courtroom



Ruth Etting and her new husband, Myrl Alderman are back in Los Angeles, where Miss Etting's first husband, Marion Snyder, is on trial for shooting Alderman. Newlyweds are shown on surprise elopement to Las Vegas, Nev.

VIEWS GIVEN ON TEXTBOOKS IN A REPORT

By United Press AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 17.—The State Board of Education today gave its views on textbook expenditures, scholastic apportionment, teacher retirement and superintendency controversies in its annual report to be submitted to the next Legislature.

Governor Allred, earlier in the week, discussed the same topics. Allred recommended that the Legislature fix the amount per pupil that the state shall give to school districts. The board of education recommended that it determine the cost of operating the schools.

Allred recommended textbook purchases as a "good place" to save a million dollars. The board of education recommended an amendment of the free textbook law that would permit dropping or adding any book to the free list, supplied the pupils, on recommendation of a committee composed of the state superintendent, director of textbooks of the department of education, and director of curriculum and the state board of education.

Gun Running By Musica Brothers Is Now Being Probed

By United Press NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 17.—George Musica, alias George Dietrich, was questioned today by Federal authorities concerning an alleged gun running and liquor dealings of McKesson & Robbins, Inc., of which he was assistant treasurer, it was learned reliably. Musica, taken from county jail, was examined for nearly three hours by special assistant U. S. Attorney General Thomas Dodd and assistant U. S. Attorney Arthur Gorman. His counsel, Samuel Rich, said: "Dietrich was questioned about gun running activities," and then added "nothing of importance happened."

Eastland Citizens At Austin Banquet

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus B. Frost of Eastland attended a testimonial banquet in honor of Senator Morris Sheppard Saturday night in Austin. A portrait of Sheppard, for 36 years of service in Congress, was unveiled at the banquet. It was executed by Boris B. Gordon of Washington and will be later hung in the entrance corridor of the Texas capitol beside those of his predecessors.

Father of a Ranger Resident Is Buried

Funeral services were held in Palestine Thursday for Silas B. Denson, 82, father of Mrs. Nora Thompson of Ranger. Death occurred at his home near Palestine.

WAS SPEAKER

Carl Springer, Eastland attorney, was a speaker at the annual Aspermont FFA banquet last week at Aspermont.

CASES ALLEGING CRIMINAL ACTS ARE SCHEDULED

Fourteen cases alleging criminal offenses have been set for trial the week beginning Monday in 91st district court.

Defendants and charges follow: Edgar White, driving intoxicated.

R. T. Adams, driving intoxicated.

John H. Green, two cases alleging forgery.

Gilbert Amos, two cases alleging burglary.

Clifford Elison, breaking into jail to rescue prisoner.

Truman Bohannon, theft of auto.

Lorraine Powell, burglary and auto theft.

T. E. Self, driving intoxicated.

Rexford Holt, theft of auto and burglary.

Folk Festival Is Regarded Success

A Folk Festival, viewed as highly successful, under the auspices of the Civic League and Garden Club and under the chairmanship of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Maynard, was held Friday night on the roof of the Connellee Hotel. A representative crowd from Eastland and surrounding towns enjoyed an evening of old-fashioned dances.

Congressman Clyde L. Garrett extended welcome to the visitors from Anson, of which there were 20, and those from Abilene and other cities. He also spoke of the purpose of the Festival and extended praise for the work. The grand march opened the evening with every one taking part followed with the old-fashioned waltz and then the Virginia Reel and several other popular long ago.

Late Swindler



F. Donald Coster, president of McKesson & Robbins, who committed suicide following his arrest after \$18,000,000 of the company's assets were discovered missing. Coster, whose real name was Philip Musica, was implicated in a million dollar swindle two decades ago.

MEDICOS NAME PUTNAM MAN NEW PRESIDENT

Dr. B. F. Brittain of Putnam is the new president of the Eastland-Callahan Counties Medical society.

Succeeding Dr. A. K. Wier of Ranger, Dr. Brittain was chosen at a meeting last week in the Connellee hotel at Eastland.

Other officers chosen were Dr. L. C. Brown, Eastland, vice president; Dr. C. C. Cogburn, Eastland, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Roy Cockrell, Baird, censor for three years.

Dr. J. H. Cat of Eastland is delegate to the state medical meeting in May at San Antonio, and Dr. Cockrell of Baird the alternate.

Dr. Pearl B. Waddell of Cisco was elected to membership at the meeting. The nominating committee was composed of Dr. T. E. Payne of Eastland, Dr. George Blackwell of Gorman and Dr. W. L. Jackson of Ranger.

Dr. Ben R. Buford of Dallas discussed "The Serum Treatment of Pneumococcus Pneumonia," and Dr. Joe C. Alexander, also of Dallas, discussed "Treatment of Gonorrhoea in the Male."

A paper on "The Doctor in Court," prepared by Associate Justice Clyde R. Grissom of the appellate court at Eastland, unable to attend, was read by Dr. M. L. Stubblefield of Gorman.

Those attending: Drs. T. G. Jackson of Carbon, Roy Cockrell of Baird, W. S. Pedigo and Paul Pedigo of Mineral Wells, Grover Wood and W. B. Quinn of Breckenridge, W. H. Guy and T. B. Bryant of Dublin, Ben R. Buford of Dallas, Joe C. Alexander of Dallas, M. L. Stubblefield of Gorman, George Blackwell of Gorman, D. V. Rodgers of Gorman, A. K. Wier of Ranger, W. L. Jackson of Ranger, P. M. Kuykendall of Ranger, L. C. Brown, C. C. Cogburn, F. T. Isbell, C. H. Carter, T. E. Payne, E. R. Townsend, J. H. Caton, all of Eastland. Joe H. Holt of Ranger, a technician, also attended.

Alameda Girls In Meet Wednesday

The Alameda 4-H club girls met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. S. R. Rogers, for a Christmas tree. Each of the club girls was present and each brought a gift for another of the members. They took money out of the treasury to purchase a gift for their sponsor.

Each Wednesday the club girls serve lunch at the school, charging 25 cents a plate.

Those present for the Christmas meeting were Sivill Lois Foreman, Eunice Maye Yancey, Helen Joyce Wisdom, Marjorie Calvert, Betty Walker, Davella Pilgrim, La Fray Reed, Dorothy Melton, Mary Jane Ferrell, Oleta Gentry and Mores Blackwell.

Visitors were Evelyn Cooksey, Loretta Griffith and Evelyn Neger.

Hutchins Resigns As Exchange Governor

By United Press NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, has resigned as one of the three representatives of the public on the board of governors of the New York Stock Exchange, because his colleagues were opposed to re-opening the inquiry into the Whitney scandal, it was learned today.

THE WEATHER

By United Press West Texas: Sunday partly cloudy, warmer in southeast portion.

Federal Deficit Is At New High Peak

By United Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The treasury announced today that the public debt is at an all time high of more than \$39,400,000,000 representing approximately \$305 for each man, woman and child in the country.

Railroads Say ICC Is Without Power

By United Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Two railroads charged, today, that the Interstate Commerce Commission was "without power and jurisdiction," to include labor provisions in ICC orders.

FARM FAMILY IS FOUND DEAD AT SAN ANGELO

By United Press SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 17.—Paul Kennedy, 45, a farmer, and his 40-year-old wife were found slain today in their home 20 miles east of San Angelo. They had been hacked to death with an axe.

Two daughters, Imogene, 13, and Fay, four, were near death from wounds. At a local hospital it was said the children suffered severe cuts and fractured skulls.

A third daughter, Wilma, 17, was missing and it was feared she had been kidnaped.

Authorities announced that a Mexican, until recently employed by Kennedy, was being sought. Investigators believed the elder Kennedys were killed and the children wounded near midnight Friday. The tragedy was not discovered until Saturday afternoon, when ranchers called at the Kennedy home.

They said it was known that Kennedy and the Mexican "had trouble."

Capt. S. J. Gilbert of the Texas Highway Patrol, took charge of the search for the Mexican and the missing girl. It was announced Kennedy's car was missing.

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 17.—M. T. Tucker, 35, San Angelo salesman, school teacher and former candidate for county school superintendent, was found shot to death today.

Allred Submits Proposal For a Civil Service Law

By United Press AUSTIN, Dec. 17.—Gov. James V. Allred today submitted to the Legislature an administrative reorganization plan, establishing civil service, abolishing the office of state auditor, and creating a land auction board.

The message was in another installment of his final recommendations to the Legislature that convenes in January. He renewed a plea that the state department of agriculture be merged with the Texas A. & M. College.

Allred said that the state auditor's department, created at the request of Gov. Dan Moody, now costs \$75,000 a year. Its duties constitutionally are assigned to the state comptroller and the attorney general and can be performed by them, he said.

Referring to the recent campaign for land commissioner, Allred recommended that a board be authorized to handle auction oil leases on state school lands. The responsibility, he said, is too great to be conferred upon one man. Allred approved public auctions for leases on the lands, which are owned by The University of Texas.

"There is no occasion, however, for creation of any new board carrying with it new employees," he cautioned. "It seems to me that the matter could be handled very simply by requiring approval of the state board of mineral development (composed of the governor, railroad commission chairman, and land commissioner) to all leases made by the commissioner. The attorney general also would make a splendid member of such a board."

Allred warned against any complicated land law legislation. "Often," he said, "when needed reforms are sought, there are those who would take advantage of the situation and seek to ham-string the state."

In advocating civil service for state employees, Allred commented that between the time an elected official is nominated and the time he takes office, 90 per cent of his time is taken up by interviewing persons seeking appointments.

"These applicants are not to be condemned," he said. "It is the natural thing to do. Nevertheless, public officials are compelled to interview applicants. As a result, these public officials are unable to attend to the pressing problems of government."

DIVORCES GRANTED

Divorces granted recently by 91st district court include the following: Florence from Charles Tucker and Mattie from Robert F. Enloe. The plaintiff in the Tucker case was given custody of a child as was the plaintiff given custody of children in the Enloe case.

Rare Photograph - - Jitterbugs at Rest



They don't fight often and when they do it's usually only for a few repairs. This pair of swingers are getting patched up in a first aid station of a New York night club.



Hermann Schwinn, west coast leader of the German-American Bund, facing proceedings to revoke his citizenship in Los Angeles.

Sheep, Goatmen Attend Marketing Meet at Eastland

Cooperative marketing of wool and mohair was discussed at a meeting conducted by the Midwest Marketing Association in the courthouse Friday at Eastland.

L. F. Aston of Sherman, manager of the cooperative, attended. Tentative plans for a meeting late this winter for sheep and goat raisers in the county were outlined.

About 10 attended, including W. R. Nisbet, extension service husbandman; C. E. Bowles, specialist in cooperative marketing, both of College Station, and W. R. Lace, Stephens county agent. Majorities at the meet were of Eastland county.

Oil Production of Area Shows Drop

Daily average crude oil production in West Central Texas for the week ended Dec. 10 was 30,200 barrels, as compared to an average of 33,050 for the week ended Dec. 11, 1937, the American Petroleum Institute reported Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxey Attend Abilene Meet

Mrs. Byrta Rose Maxey of Eastland, and Fred Maxey, her husband, attended an annual Christmas party of the Abilene X-Ray Technicians society Saturday night at Abilene. She is a member of the organization.

WITNESSES TO BE IMPORTANT TO DRUG CASE

By United Press NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Federal authorities revealed today that others "just as important" as Philip Musica were involved in the scandal of McKesson & Robbins, Inc., the big drug firm which was developed by swindlers with prison records.

Assistant U. S. District Attorney Irving Kaufman hinted that living witnesses might prove almost as valuable to the investigation as Musica, who killed himself Friday when he was exposed as the "F. Donald Coster" who built the financial empire of McKesson & Robbins.

"Based on certain facts in our possession there are other people, I wouldn't say higher in the scheme, but just as important as Coster," Kaufman said. Kaufman is in charge of the federal investigation of the amazing swindle that may involve losses of \$20,000,000.

The federal attorney did not amplify his remark, but it was interpreted as including the three brothers of the late Philip, who changed their identities and became executives of McKesson & Robbins.

Philip, the "big brother," and arch schemer of the group, was president of the corporation. The three surviving brothers were in jail, unable to provide \$100,000 bonds each. George, who assumed the name of George Dietrich; Arthur, now known as George Ver-nard, and Robert, who became Robert Dietrich.

Subpoenas were issued for a Republican and a Democratic politician of Connecticut. They will be questioned next week. The subpoenas were issued for formed Democratic National Chairman Archibald McNeill, and former Connecticut Labor Commissioner and Federal Prohibition Director Harry MacKenzie.

MacKenzie, one of 26 arrested last spring with Lt. Gov. Frank Hayes in the \$1,000,000 corruption scandal at Waterbury, Conn., is awaiting sentence. He pleaded guilty to the alleged conspiracy to defraud the city.

Subpoenas were also issued for two sisters of the Musics and for two other men. Increasing evidence that the brothers had used the respectable drug company as a blind to run guns into Bolivia and Spain and to bootleg drugs and engage in other illegal activities, was reported by federal authorities.

U. S., Argentina Disagree Upon a Solidarity Policy

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 17.—The United States and Argentina were at odds at the Eighth Pan-American Conference on the form of a declaration of solidarity of defense by the 21 nations.

The United States wanted a definite declaration, while Argentina favored a more general non-binding declaration and threatened to introduce its own version of the American proposal.

The Brazilian delegation considered a third declaration. The conference agreed today to consider a Cuban resolution for mediation of the Spanish civil war.

Another Cuban resolution, protesting racial and religious discrimination, was approved by a sub-committee.

History of Inn Is Found In Old Walls

By United Press WEST BROOKFIELD, MASS.—While tearing away the interior of Ye Olde Tavern, swept by fire, workmen found a history of the inn written nearly a half-century ago by the late George E. Messenger, former landlord.

The history dates back to the founding of the inn in 1760 by its first landlord, David Hitechock. Concealed in a tobacco box, the history was well preserved. Workmen also found old ammunition hidden in the walls.

WIDOW PAYS FAVOR DEBT

LONDON—A promise made to her dying mother 50 years ago—that she would repay a debt—has been kept by an Ipswich woman. A poor widow, she saved week by week a little to put away toward the debt of \$45, the amount of which was paid to her mother for relief.

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ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

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SCIENCE TOYS WITH NATURE DELAWARE GETS SWEDISH FLAG
By United Press
BERKELEY, Calif.—The Home Economics division of the University of California can make rats turn gray and then get back their natural color of their hair to their heart's content. The absence or presence in their diet of Filtrate Factor, one of the vitamins in the Vitamin B complex, does the trick. Experiments have not yet been made on human beings.

Agitation against unsightly parking lots may lead to development of invisible automobiles.

WILMINGTON, Del. — Gov. Richard C. McMullen has accepted for the state a Swedish flag which will be flown under the American flag in Christina Park here. The flag, hand made, was sent from Sweden by Mrs. Anna Mard of Stockholm.

The national lottery of France is to be abolished. The French people are reluctant to pay for chances when they get so many handed them for nothing.

WE ADD BY SUBTRACTING, WE MULTIPLY BY DIVIDING

The writer once heard this subject discussed as a Sunday School theme by a noted and deep thinker, and the thought he developed was that we got more out of giving than we do receiving. The two ideas exactly coincide when put together, and is one that we should all be thinking about at this time of year.

Last week we suggested to the men who are paying rent every month that they give homes as Christmas presents to their wives this year. We have since had several calls from the ladies complimenting us on the suggestion, and we believe, too, that it was a good one.

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"OUT OUR WAY" — By Williams



Girl, 12, Is Adept As a Locksmith

By United Press
WARREN, O.—A female, but law-abiding, "Jimmy Valentine" is 12-year-old Lois Goodrich.

Lois' locksmith father, H. D. Goodrich, taught his pretty blonde daughter how to open safes. "Lois likes to go with me when I am called to open a safe whose combination has been lost or which has been damaged by burglars, who tried to batter off the combination knobs," Goodrich said. "She has developed the sensitive fingers and keen hearing necessary to hear the tumblers drop with just the right click. Lois also has the patience required in locksmith work."

He said that the little girl spends much of her out-of-school time in his shop, where she helps him with

locks and keys. He teaches her the tricks of the trade which he has followed for 43 years.

"One day when Lois was a small tot she toddled down to the shop with me. I put her on a bench. She picked up a file and worked away with a blank key until she had made it like another lying nearby," Goodrich said. "She likes locksmithing and she probably will be an expert when she is out of high school."

Lois achieved local fame with her safe-cracking abilities when she accompanied her father to a plant, where he had been called to open two old safes. While Goodrich opened one safe, Lois "listened" for the other's combination and succeeded soon in opening it. "It's not practice, it's just the touch," she said of her unusual ability.

The dictionary says that purge means to cleanse or purify. Oh, yeah?

MEET SANTA KLAUS

By United Press
POTTSTOWN, Pa. — Santa Klaus is a resident of Pottstown. His full name is Santa Paul Klaus, who was born on Christmas Day, 1917. Dr. H. W. Lambert, the attending physician, suggested the name. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Max Klaus, have three other children.

THIEF IS VANDAL, TOO
WINSLOW, Ariz. — Winslow's "meanest" thief is the one who broke the stained glass window of the Catholic church, valued at \$600 and which can probably never be replaced, to rob the poor box which contained only a few cents.

SYDNEY, N.S.W.—Sydney had a shipwreck at its front door. The freighter Sydney Star, after a collision with the coastal freighter Macumba, late at night, had to be beached at Rose Bay, near the Empire flying-boat base.

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Dec. 23
God's Great Love
Text: Matthew 2:1-12

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of Advance
THIS Christmas lesson is rightly named "God's Great Love." When Paul said, "Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift," he was referring to all that he had received through Christ Jesus; and here we have the story of the coming into the world of this babe through whom millions have been blessed. As we journey in thought to Bethlehem and lay our token of tribute at the birth-stall in the manger, let us not forget God's great love. Christmas will not have its real meaning for us unless that love encompasses our hearts.

It is sad to think that in the very homeland of Jesus men have today in enmity and strife with one another, and to realize that during this last year many lives have been destroyed in the conflict between Jew and Arab in the very birthplace of Jesus and in the Holy City. It is discouraging to think of this in a world of the 20th century, so long after the coming of Jesus; but as we go back through history to contemplate the world into which Jesus came, there may perhaps arise in our hearts some real ground of hope, for it was out of Nazareth came, and through peril and in spite of the forces of violence and hate that He came to manhood.

We have seen how through history the babe of Nazareth has triumphed over the Herods that opposed Him. May we have faith to believe that the Christ will still triumph over the anti-Christ of this modern world!

WE celebrate Christmas today in a world where hate is abroad, where people of the same race as Jesus, and with the same religious heritage, are being harried and persecuted. We are in a world where the beautiful example and teachings of this Jesus are being set at naught, and hymns of violence and hate are endeavoring to supplant the songs of angels. Where do we stand in the midst of these things that are dividing men and women just as Jesus divided them long ago? Are we on the side of gentleness and love and right and truth, or even with our Christian profession, are there narrowness and prejudice and bigotry in our souls?

Christmas is a time when, as we contemplate God's great love, we should have our own hearts filled with that love. The world needs today godly men, men who will view one another with that love and sympathy of the God who is the Father of all and of whose great family each of us is but a part.

It is sad to think of the last today in which Christmas has its meaning, or in which certain dictators and leaders are seeking to destroy the realities and vestiges of Christmas. We think of Russia, where in spite of the effort of men to promote human welfare, they have sought to destroy faith in Jesus. We think of our most beautiful Christmas hymns and customs have come. We think of other lands where Christmas is known only to the few, but in some of these lands His name is precious, for prophetic souls have discerned the meaning of His life and teaching.

May we who are the children of privilege, who live in a land where there is religious liberty and where the open Bible is within the reach of all, realize the glory of our privilege, and in our Christmas merriment let there be the deeper note of love and consecration that we may give our lives to this Christ and give to the world, in His name and through His power, our gift of love.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



AT ONE TIME, IT WAS CONSIDERED SUICIDAL TO SLEEP NEAR A YEW TREE. IN 1596, A MAN NAMED GERARDE DISPROVED THE THEORY BY SLEEPING ALL NIGHT IN THE BRANCHES.



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Opening with the singing of Christmas Carols, the Intermediate department of the First Baptist church school held their Christmas party Thursday evening in an attractively decorated lower assembly room of the church.

department present and the following teachers and officers: Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Layton, Mrs. Frank Lovett, Mrs. Timmons, Mrs. Seals, Mr. Lee Bishop, Mr. Petty, Mrs. McWilliams, Rev. and Mrs. Jared Cartledge, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Altom.

Cantata Scheduled Tonight
"The Story of Christmas" by H. Alexander Matthews, under the direction of Miss Wilda Drago...

PERSONALS
Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Irish of Loraine, Ohio, and Mrs. Bessie Williams of Fort Worth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Owen the past week.

What Next?



By way of preparing for his bout with Jim London in Philadelphia, Nanjo Singh, Hindu wrestler from Calcutta, tries out a hold on a giant python...

At The Lyric Today



Mickey Rooney, Lewis Stone and Cecilia Parker in a scene from "Out West With The Hardys", M-G-M's latest "Hardy Family" picture which will be shown at the Lyric theatre starting Christmas Day.

Church Choir Will Present a Cantata

The Eastland Methodist church choir will give its annual Christmas cantata on Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at 7:45 o'clock. The cantata is "The Story of Christmas" by H. Alexander Matthews.

Church Services in Eastland Today

First Methodist Church school at 10 o'clock; morning services at 11 a. m.; evening services at 7 o'clock, the Christmas Cantata will be presented at that time by the Choir of 40 voices, "The Story of Christmas."

Saturday Marked By Holiday Crowd

Many of Eastland's merchants reported Saturday, date of visit of Santa Claus and holding of the regular weekly trades day program, as a good business day.

Penney Employees Will Get Bonuses

Bonuses totaling \$150 will be distributed Monday night at a Christmas party of the Eastland J. C. Penney store employees at the home of R. S. Searis, manager.

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Garner Confers On Legislative Policy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Vice President Garner conferred for more than two hours with President Roosevelt today on legislative matters to be taken up by the 76th congress, but continued the silence that has marked his partnership with the chief executive throughout the new deal.

Football is now played in a bowl, while bowlers play in an alley. The fact the Chinese eat lots of spinach seems hardly worth passing along to Junior just now.



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European and American Dictators Are Different

One thing that has been bothering some Americans in connection with this proposed New World co-operation in defense of democracy is the perfectly obvious fact that the democracy of so many Latin-American nations is far from being pure and undefiled.

The conference in Peru may be productive of great things. Yet there is no use ignoring the fact that of the nations there represented only a few can be classed as genuine democracies, as the term is understood north of the Rio Grande. If a united front against the dictators is formed, there will be plenty of dictators in it.

Yet there is no need for anyone to be dismayed by the fact. For if dictatorship in itself is an old story in this hemisphere, the particular kind of dictatorship now looming large on the European horizon is something new. A moment's comparison will make the distinction clear.

As a general thing, the "banana republic" dictatorship is a highly individualized show. Only rarely is it based on any ideology or theory more elaborate than a simple desire for power. It may be exceedingly repressive—some of the Latin dictators had nothing to learn from the Nazis about the technique of silencing dissidents—but by its very nature it is ephemeral, and it does not force the ideals, the mental processes and the intellectual outlook of its people into a rigid mold. It is a way of government but not a way of life. It does not try to remake society according to a fixed pattern.

All of which is just the reverse of the European model dictatorship which is to be one of the big concerns of the Lima conferees.

For the frightening thing about such a thing as Nazism is that while it vests all the power of government in one man, it goes far beyond the old-time idea of simple autocracy, and sets up an ideal to which all men are forced to conform. It is not enough that the citizen simply refrain from criticizing the dictator; he must think as the dictator wants him to think, he is permitted to have only such ideas as suit the dictator, the smallest details of his private life are regulated for him.

So that it is not merely political freedom which dies under this system. The fundamental right of the human being to think his own thoughts and worship according to the dictates of his own conscience, to pick his friends, to train his children, and to keep himself aware of what is going on in the world—this broad right, which is fundamental to anything that can pass under the name of civilization, ceases to exist.

That is why there is nothing in the least out of the way in the spectacle of various Latin-American dictators sitting down to discuss ways of checking the spread of European totalitarianism.

SCANDINAVIAN RULER

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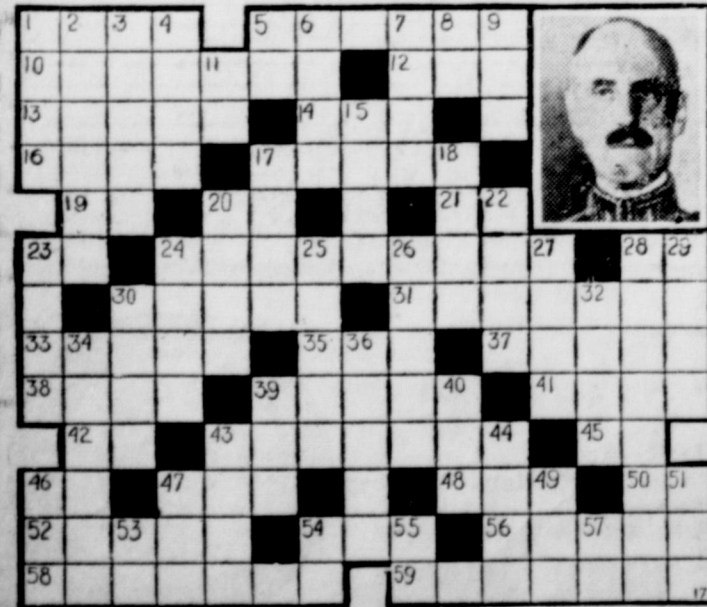
- 1, 5 Ruler of Norway.
- 10 Narcotics.
- 12 Fish.
- 13 To follow.
- 14 Opposite of cold.
- 16 Asiatic sardine.
- 17 Forms of inflorescence.
- 19 Postscript.
- 20 In a high decree.
- 21 Laughter sound.
- 23 Bone.
- 24 His country's parliament.
- 28 Hawaiian bird.
- 30 Pillar of stone.
- 31 Ensnared.
- 33 To revoke a grant.
- 35 God of war.
- 37 Pertaining to the leg.
- 38 Swift.
- 39 Consumers.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 41 Knife.
- 42 Subsists.
- 43 He was king.
- 45 West Indies.
- 46 Mystical.
- 47 Hop bush.
- 48 Small flag.
- 50 North Africa.
- 52 Pathway in a church.
- 54 Form of "be."
- 56 Ceremonies.
- 58 His country is rich in.
- 59 His land was formerly.

- 20 Stalk.
- 22 Insects.
- 23 His son is Crown Prince.
- 24 Let it stand.
- 25 To set up.
- 26 Blood organ.
- 27 Wormlike larva.
- 28 Opalescent types of glass.
- 29 His kingdom's capital.
- 30 Soap frame.
- 32 In line.
- 34 Shotgun.
- 36 To happen again.
- 39 Rubber tree.
- 40 Immoveable.
- 43 Pieces out.
- 44 Challenge.
- 46 Idiot.
- 47 Beer.
- 49 Invitation.
- 51 Tree.
- 53 Senior.
- 54 Like.
- 55 Electrical term.
- 57 Musical note.



Where Italy, France Share Over Rich Colony



Map shows troop concentrations in Europe and possessions now held by France. Mussolini wants back one-third of Africa as Italo-French controversy gets hotter.

Sport Glances.By Grayson

BY HARRY GRAYSON NEA Service Sports Editor

THE world welterweight championship, which has been held and glorified by so many great fighters, would be an out-and-out orphan if Henry Armstrong and Lou Ambers had their way.

Neither is exactly crazy about defending it against big 147-pounders. There perhaps is no welter around now capable of whipping either Armstrong or Ambers, but they can't tell when one will come along.

Mike Jacobs wants Armstrong to box Ambers at Madison Square Garden in February. Neither the promoter nor the New York commission cares which crown Armstrong defends.

But Armstrong insists upon Ambers coming in heavier than 135 pounds, so that officially only the Negro's welter wreath will be at stake. That would assure Little Dust Cloud a third match with the Herkimer Hurricane.

Ambers is holding out for the right to battle for the 135-pound toga which he dropped to Armstrong in the August thriller.

Offhand, one would say that Ambers shouldn't be so choosy, but you must agree that even the current crop of hammondites getting by as welters are considerable for a legitimate lightweight to carry around.

ponent . . . and for 10 exhibitions in the event that he cannot.

Armstrong isn't sure that he did not vacate the wrong title when he gave up the 126-pound thrope to engage Barney Ross early last summer.

He scaled only 132 pounds with his clothes on after clouting Ceferino Garcia for the better part of 15 rounds in New York, which meant about 127 stripped.

Until Pete Scalzo, the youngster from New York's west side, belted out Joey Archibald in New York, Hammering Henry suspected that he might wind up challenging the Pawtucket medical student who fastened a stranglehold on New York feather recognition by outwrestling spidery Mike Beloise.

But if Scalzo, who has 18 consecutive victories, keeps coming, Armstrong will have a rival vastly more attractive than Archibald.

And, as he points out, there always is Leo Rodak, of Chicago and Chalky Wright of Los Angeles upon whom to fall back. Rodak also claims the 126-pound leadership, and Armstrong proclaimed Wright champion when he discarded the title, perhaps on the strength of having knocked him out.

Until Scalzo popped up, Ambers appeared the only worthwhile adversary in sight for Armstrong.

And on what he revealed in the six rounds that elapsed in Cleveland before his old pal, Frankie Wallace, injured his right arm and was forced to retire, Ambers isn't going to stir up as much trouble for Two-Title Henry as he did the first trip.

Pete Scalzo is a welcome addition to the ranks. A busy bloke like Henry Armstrong simply must have work.

AFTER a two weeks' rest at Hot Springs, Armstrong, who stopped a weight-weakened Al Manfredo in Cleveland the other night, will return to Los Angeles to once more defend the 147-pound diadem . . . against Baby Arizmendi, Jan. 10.

Buenos Aires wants him if the promoter can dig up a Latin opponent . . . and for 10 exhibitions in the event that he cannot.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



A PEG-LEGGED COYOTE KILLS ABOUT TWICE AS MUCH DOMESTIC LIVE STOCK AS A NORMAL ANIMAL! HE CANNOT RUN DOWN WILD GAME.

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SHOULD A SNAKEBITE VICTIM BE GIVEN WHISKEY?

ANSWER: No. It may give the victim a feeling of well-being at the time, but medical authorities say it can be harmful, as it speeds up blood circulation and hastens the spread of the venom.

AT LONGEST LAST: BUSTER DOGS DOLLARS, WOULD FEATURE FABULOUS FEET AT FAIR



BY WATT EXTREMITIES
NEA Service Phenomena Editor
SNOWBALL, Ark.—Here is the biggest feet in the world, the opinion of the fellow who has stepped them up and down the Alps. Searcy county Ark. Buster Snowball is the name and 26 summers of winters have passed since he has planted these phenomena on a rocky soil of his home state.

A traveling salesman with an eye for big problems, has estimated that Buster would wear a 42 shoe. Truth is Buster gets shoes from a man here in Searcy from the Illinois acreage of a Scot family.

There are four stores, a blacksmith shop and a hitching post. Whether he gets his shoes at a shoemaker or at a blacksmith shop, Buster Snowball has no scientific explanation for the size of his feet. "They just grew that way," he says.

But he has high hopes and aspirations for them the next year. At the end of that year he wants to return to Searcy for the squirrel shooting.

In the meantime he would like to exhibit his pair of feet at both the New York and San Francisco expositions, thereby giving people at both ends of the nation an opportunity to educate themselves on what can be done with a pair of feet in Arkansas.

Buster also hopes to add a few more to the Scot pedigree, for possible purchase of shoes and other incidentals.

Five generations of the Snowball family live in Searcy county and Buster isn't sure how many earlier generations lived there.

Buster is 6-foot-3 and weighs 170.

He can run faster than a man, jump as high as any man, and claims he "can dance with the best of 'em."

factories for mass production. More than 100,000 civil pilots would be trained each year. A huge market would be developed for aircraft sales. Prices of aircraft would be reduced.

It would ease the unemployment situation among trained commercial pilots.

Civil Air Corps Is Put Up to the U.S.

LINCOLN, Neb.—A plan for training thousands of civilian pilots principally at government expense has been submitted to the Federal civil aeronautics authority and the Nebraska congressional delegation by I. V. Packard, secretary of the state aeronautics commission.

Packard said his plan was endorsed several years ago by the national aviation committee of the American Legion, and he hopes it will be supported by various aeronautics associations and pilots organizations.

He proposed that the Federal government purchase 2,000 light training planes for assignment to commercial pilots. Classes would be organized for flight instruction, each student being required to pass a military physical examination and pay the instructor's fee for dual training and a supervision fee for solo flying. The airplane and fuel would be furnished by the government under Packard's plan.

Packard believes the proposal would have these results:

1. It would enable airplane manufacturers to organize their

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SERIAL STORY

SKI'S THE LIMIT

BY ADELAIDE HUMPHRIES

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Yesterday Sally is injured. Dan... she won't accept help from her since she caused the accident.

CHAPTER VII

SALLY recovered from the shock of her tumble much more quickly than Doctor Barnes had anticipated. He did not know that her speedy recovery was due to her determination that she must get better so that she could see Dan.

She would not go away without seeing with her own bright eyes how Dan was, without hearing him say that he had forgiven her. Sally's father had talked with Doctor Barnes about the boy. They had agreed upon a consultation with a famous surgeon from Boston. Nothing was to be spared for the lad who had done so much for Sally, Sam Blair maintained.

Upon Sally's insistence Dan's benefactor's name was kept secret. She was afraid he would refuse any assistance—even to see the surgeon from Boston—if he knew who had offered to send for him. Sally knew Dan Reynolds' stubborn pride. He was to be told that some unknown person, a gentleman who had taken an interest in him because of his sking ability and possibilities for Olympic entry, had offered to stand all expenses. Dan must never know that this man was Sally's father and that Sally, herself, was behind all this.

At last the day came when she was allowed to pay Dan a visit. She had looked forward to it so eagerly, so hopefully, that she was not prepared for the shock of her first glimpse of him. Could this be Dan, this thin, weak, white person, head swathed in bandages, gray eyes staring and enigmatical, one leg stretched straight and stiff before him, in its cruel, cumbersome cast?

"You mustn't stay too long or get him excited," the nurse cautioned before she closed the door. Sally had an impulse to call her back. She was not sure she wanted to be left alone with Dan. Not sure she had the courage to face him.

She had waited so long for this moment and now she did not know what to do, what to say. There seemed only one thing, and so she said it as simply, as quickly as possible.

"Dan... can you ever forgive me? I'm so dreadfully sorry." She said that her heart was wrung with despair, that she could have knelt down beside him, giving

way to an abandon of grief and remorse. If only he would not look at her like that! Without any expression in his grave eyes, any hope in his white face. He lifted one hand, let it fall weakly onto the cover again. He made an attempt at a smile, an attempt that brought tears to her eyes.

His voice was little more than a whisper. "That's okay," he said. "I don't blame you. For the accident."

SALLY knew that he meant it for Dan was not one to say anything he did not mean. Yet, she knew that there were other things, unspoken, sharp barriers between them, that he could not forgive. Her deceit. The fact that she had laughed at him. The dare that had begun the beginning of their odd friendship. He was too big, too fine, to blame her for what she had done to him physically. But now he never would believe in her again.

"You're going to be all right again," Sally said. She wished her voice sounded more convincing. "Doctor Hartford—he was the Boston surgeon—says you'll be as right as ever—in time."

Dan nodded slowly. His expression still blank. His grave eyes seemed to echo that "in time." What would he do until then, this boy who had been so swift, so sure on his feet?

"You mustn't worry about anything," Sally said. Oh, if only she could tell him that she would like to spend the rest of her life making this up to him!

He did not attempt to answer that. It was as though he felt there were no answer. After a moment of silence he said in the same low tone, "And you—are you okay, Sally Blair?"

Sally nodded; her throat was so tight she was not sure she could trust herself to speak. Yes, she was all right. That was the worst of it. Gladly she would have exchanged places with this boy, if only she could have.

"You... you haven't forgiven me—for the other?" She could not go away, say goodbye, without asking that. Her dark eyes pleaded with him to be merciful in his answer. "For deceiving you, Dan. For being such a blind, stupid, little idiot."

"That doesn't matter now," Dan said. His look met hers, but then he turned away. Sally knew what he meant. He felt that their worlds were farther apart than ever.

"I meant—everything that I said. About liking you, Dan." Sally's voice faltered. It was no use; nothing she could say could

break down the barriers between them. "I'm sorry I called you a coward."

HE raised his hand again, in a craning gesture. He made another attempt to smile. "Please," he murmured. "It doesn't matter, really it doesn't." Then just for a flash this boy, whose pride was so stubborn, whose courage was so great, let her glimpse the bitterness in his heart. "Nothing matters a great deal. You see, I don't believe I shall ever ski again."

"You mustn't say that!" Now Sally did kneel down by his bed, a swift, impulsive movement. She caught one of his hands in hers, clung to it. "Of course you'll ski again! Doctor Hartford has promised that you will! Not right away, of course. Not for years, perhaps..."

"Years!" Dan said. And his voice sounded strong, but only because of the bitterness it contained, the awful despair. He even managed a little laugh. "Years... That will be too late," he said.

"You mustn't say that," Sally said again. But she knew that she was right. The years could slip by so quickly. There would be other boys to win points for their college, to carry off honors of the meet. Others to become champions, to be hailed for the Olympics.

The nurse stood in the doorway. Sally's time was up. She raised Dan's hand to let it rest a moment against her cheek, reluctantly let it go. "Goodbye, Dan." For a little while, her heart said. It could not be forever; she could not have endured it, if it had. "You'll see—some day—that I'm right!" You'll believe in me. I'll make it up to you, she wanted to add. But she knew there was no use in saying such things yet. Maybe the years would take care of that, too. "And good luck," she added softly.

"You're going?" Dan asked. His gray eyes looked at her. She was so lovely, so youthfully sweet. He turned his head away, as though he could not look at her any longer. "Goodbye, Sally Blair," he said. "It's been nice—knowing you."

A smile trembled on his lips. That was the way to say goodbye, lightly, gaily, gallantly—as Corey, or the boys of Se glamorous bright world would have.

But it was not Sally's way now. She bent swiftly, before she turned to leave, kissed Dan Reynolds goodbye, her fresh soft lips brushing lightly, yet lingeringly, against his.

(To Be Continued)

LEAVING GUY VIBERD TO WATCH THE 'DOVES OF PEACE' MEETING, MYRA HURRIES BACK TO THE STUDIO, HER MIND BUZZING WITH SPECULATIONS



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Four officers and directors of the Fidelity Investment Association, which Securities Exchange Commission has asked a federal district judge in Detroit to enjoin from engaging in allegedly fraudulent practices...

Royal Hat Looks Like a Rudder



Women's hats are zany—even in Albania. Queen Geraldine, wearing something that looks like it fell off the back end of a gondola, is pictured dedicating a radio station in Tirana.

Love On the Dole Becomes Impatient

WILKES-BARRE, Pa.—The relief board distributing clothing made on sewing projects was visited repeatedly by one man. The man became more impatient with each visit. "When are you going to get sheets and pillow cases," he demanded.

SHOT IN DARK COSTLY

ALGER, O.—Bradley Dyer, awakened by a noise he thought was caused by chicken thieves, grabbed his gun, approached the chicken coop, fired blindly and discovered that he had killed one of his most valuable farm horses.

A realist is a man who calls a spade a confounded lever of broad face used for digging.

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Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Wednesday, testimonial service, 8 p. m.

Public cordially invited. "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the Lesson-ermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 18.

The Golden Text is: "Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens" (Isaiah 48: 12, 13).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made" (John 1:3).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "There is but one creator homing instincts of the bird. The and one creation. This creation pigeon eventually flew home but consists of the unfolding of spir-



itual ideas and their identities, which are embraced in the infinite Mind and forever reflected" (page 502).

BRITISH INTELLIGENCE LOW

LONDON, England.—The average intelligence of Britons is declining rapidly, Dr. H. A. Fraser Roberts, chief investigator of the Burden Mental Research Trust, who has completed an analysis of the intelligence of 3,400 Bath children, reports.

ALLEY OOP



Win Leadership Trophies



Belva, Okla., went the Moses leadership trophies for work as 4-H Club leaders and organizers.

Customs Receipts At All-Time High

EL PASO, Texas.— Customs receipts of the El Paso customs district for the first 11 months of the year set an all-time record high. Collector of Customs Adrian Pool announced.

Importations of cattle from Mexico accounted largely for the record receipts this year, Pool said. More than 86,000 head of cattle entered through ports of entry at El Paso, Presidio, Texas and Columbus, N. M.

Receipts reached \$1,567,870.23 for the 11-month period, Pool announced.

MISSOURI HAS OLD LAW

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.— The Missouri statute revision commission report reveals that a law requiring county courts to make maps of French and Spanish claims in Missouri is still in effect.

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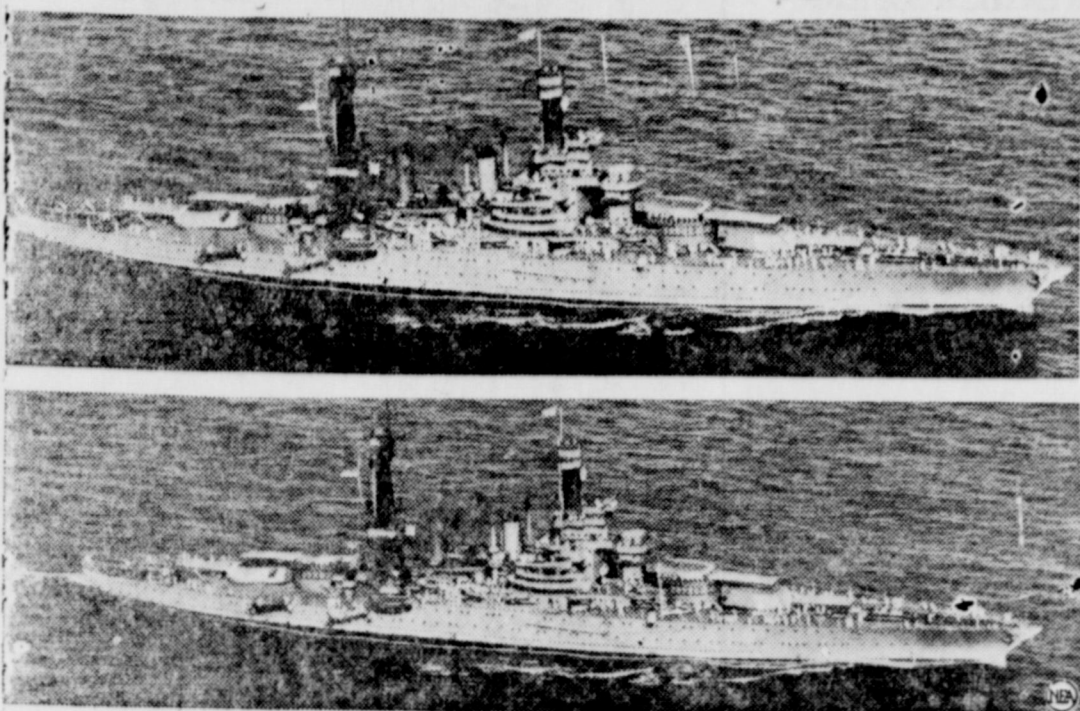


Thrice-Crowned King of Corn



Corn King William H. Curry of Tipton, Ind., points to his record of three successive world championships. Curry, pictured holding the title-winning corn, took his 1938 title at the International Livestock Show in Chicago.

Comparing Proposed Supership and Biggest Warboat



President Roosevelt is studying a recommendation calling for construction of one of the largest and most powerful superdreadnaughts ever launched. Photos above, reduced to scale, show how the 710-foot warship would compare with the 624-foot U. S. S. California, now the largest battleship in U. S. fleets. Both pictures are of the California. The new 45,000-ton dreadnaught would cost around a hundred million dollars.

Junior College In Receipt of a New Book on Zoology

James E. Blaylock, head of the department of natural sciences of Ranger junior college, has acknowledged receipt of a copy of the new textbook of zoology by Dr. G. E. Potter of the zoology department of Baylor university. The book was sent by the junior college by the publishers, C. V. Mosby company of St. Louis, Mo., and is personally autographed by the author.

The new textbook is a compilation of the works of foremost authorities of animal forms and behavior from many states and universities. Of especial interest to the junior college is the chapter on reptiles written by Mr. Blaylock. The author has succeeded in capturing the zoological point of view that so many contemporary works lack.

Students in the junior college classes of zoology and biology have manifested a distinct preference for this book as a supplement to the regular texts over all other volumes in the junior college library.

SISTER MARY'S KITCHEN

BY MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX

NEA Service Staff Writer

ARTICHOKES are in season. The globe or French artichoke looks like a large unopened flower bud. The Jerusalem artichoke looks like a small, gnarled potato. But as we can't eat both at the same time, let's cook only the globe artichokes today.

Fresh globe artichokes have good green color, tightly clinging, fleshy leaf scales. They are compact, heavy for their size and free of brownish or dark spots. If the scales spread out and the tips become hard, the artichoke is over-mature and will taste strong when cooked. Store artichokes in refrigerator in a vegetable box. Incidentally, they are a good source of iron and calcium, minerals lacking in many diets.

To cook, wash in cold water and trim off stems, remove some of the outer leaves and trim the top. Drop into slightly salted boiling water to cover. Simmer 20 to 30 minutes. To test for completion, pull off one of the scales. If it comes off easily, the artichoke is usually cooked enough.

Serve Hot or Cold. Serve one artichoke to each person on a separate plate and as a separate course. If served hot, serve with it small individual dishes of melted butter, drawn butter sauce or Hollandaise sauce. Cold artichokes, as a salad course, call for French dressing or mayonnaise.

Monday's Menu
BREAKFAST: Orange juice, wholewheat cereal, warmed coffee ring, coffee, milk.
LUNCH: Creamed cheese on toast, pickled beets, raisin cup cakes, tea, milk.
DINNER: Hot artichokes, drawn butter, cubed round steak in casserole, baked potatoes, buttered carrots, apple pie, whipped cream, coffee, milk.

Perhaps you haven't served these delicacies because how to eat them seemed like some great social mystery. It's all very easy, really. At the bottom of each scale is a small, lighter portion, good for eating. The dark green part of the scale serves as a handle for carrying the stable part first to the sauce and then to the mouth. After placing the scale in the mouth, draw it out, catching the stable part with the teeth. Keep on eating from the scales until you reach the center. Remove the heavy part or "choke" with a knife and then enjoy the climax, the artichoke bottom, or heart. Armed with knowledge of how to eat them and the promise of a delicious surprise, begin your career as an artichoke fancier.

JOHN T. FLYNN

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NEA Service Staff Correspondent

A NUMBER of letters of protest have come to me in reference to a stand I took some time back on the American Federation of Labor's proposed goal of \$4000 a year for every American family. The protests take the form of asking out against anyone who thinks a laborer should not try to improve his condition or anyone who opposes labor's efforts to organize to do that. Why, they ask, should not a workman try to earn \$4000 a year.

Of course there is no reason why a workman should not want to earn \$4000 a year and every reason why he should organize in a union to advance the interests of himself and his fellow workers. No one is more for that than I am. What I called attention to was the proclaimed goal of the A. F. of L. to establish an income of \$4000 a year for every American family. And I did so not because I would not like to see all American families enjoy such good fortune but because American workers who have so many serious and important objectives to achieve are merely diverted from them by these futile objectives.

But there is another reason for calling attention to it. I did so because I thought this announced plan characteristic of what I consider a weakness of the A. F. of L. That weakness is found in the fact that the A. F. of L., according

to my views, is not interested in every American family, but only in the small group of families which belong to the A. F. of L. The only way to get \$4000 for American workers now is at the expense of other American workers.

At present three out of every four American workers earn less than \$2500 and over a third of the workers earn less than \$1000. The great goal of labor now should be to meet the grave and difficult problem of raising the wages of these forgotten groups who earn less than \$1000 a year—and this means, remember, in many cases as low as \$500 a year. The only way this can be done is by organizing all the workers.

Laws like workmen's compensation, old age pensions, unemployment insurance and minimum wage laws are made for the protection of the great unorganized groups more than any others. But if we have not had laws like these for years, I believe it was partly because the A. F. of L. was not interested in the low wage workers.

Samuel Gompers opposed even workmen's compensation for years. Years ago the A. F. of L. fought health insurance along with the Civic federation and the insurance companies. The A. F. of L. opposed unemployment insurance until 1932. It fought for years the minimum wage law and it opposed old age pensions at one time. (Copyright, 1938, NEA Service, Inc.)

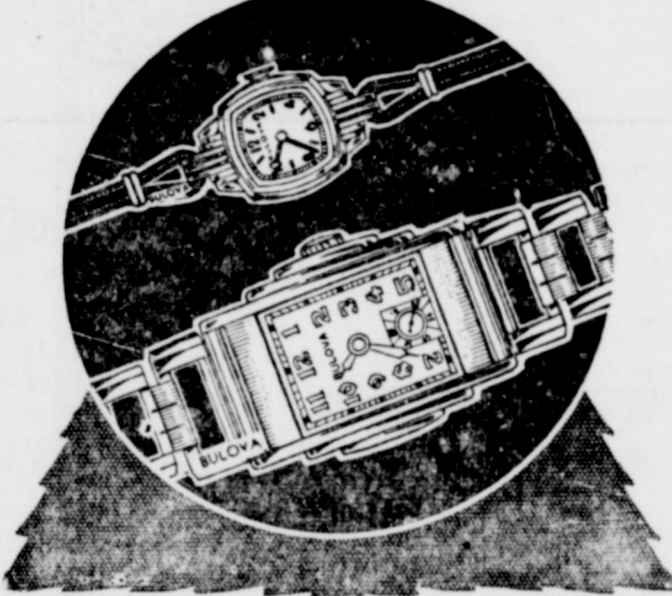
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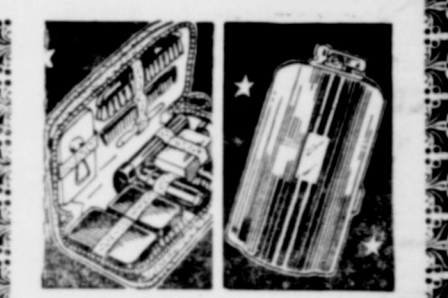
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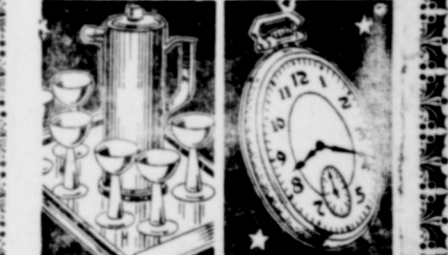
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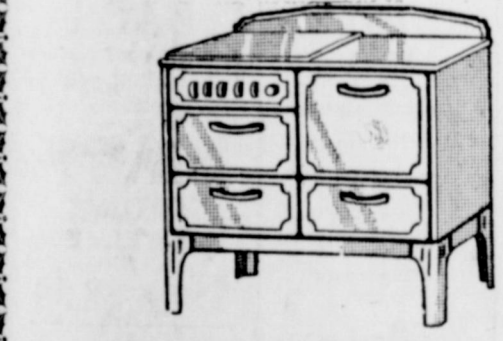


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BESSIE TAYLOR, Editor

CALENDAR MONDAY

Y. W. A. Christmas party, 7:00 o'clock.

TUESDAY

The Thursday Afternoon club celebrates the Yuletide season with a dinner party this evening in the clubhouse, honoring their husbands.

Order of the Eastern Star have Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Howard Brock that evening. Pythian Sisters entertain with a holiday affair, a covered dish dinner to be held in the home of Mrs. Herbert Reid, Tuesday evening.

WEDNESDAY

G. A. girls of Baptist church go caroling Wednesday evening. Beethoven Music Club has Christmas party in the home of Miss Johnnie Lou Hart and Emma Lee Hart at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Has Christmas Party

In the home of Mrs. A. F. Taylor, members of the Scale Runners Club were entertained recently with a Christmas party.

The house was beautifully decorated in the Yuletide motif with a lovely decorated tree laden with gifts. The dining table was centered with a landscape scene of a lake of water surrounded with snow banks.

A short program was presented opening with piano solos played by Nancy McDonald, Charles Lucas, Betty Jones gave an article on Christmas Carols, followed with piano numbers played by Charles Perry, Jack Coffman, Col. Don Brashier and Gladeen Womack.

Santa Claus paid a visit to the party and distributed the exchange gifts to each guest. Mrs. Taylor presented each with a gift as sponsor of the club.

A dainty refreshment plate was served to: Estell Lotief, Gwen Hibbert, Virginia Hibbert, Gladeen Womack, Col. Don Brashier, Barbara Patterson, Nancy McDonald, Betty Sue Brinkley, Betty Jo Coghlan, Betty Jones, Virginia Creamer, Charles Perry, Charles Lucas, Jack Coffman, Mrs. Taylor.

Contributions Asked

At the recent meeting of the Civic League and Garden Club, the welfare committee report was read by Mrs. Bert McGlamery, chairman of the committee.

Mrs. McGlamery stated that there are 125 needy families in Eastland with 310 children in need of clothing, food and toys for Christmas happiness. She further stated that only 12 of these families had been adopted by groups and individuals of Eastland to aid this year.

A number of the organizations who are on the list was named by Mrs. McGlamery. She listed the Rotary Club, the Lions Club, the 9:49 Bible class and the Firemen's Auxiliary, who every year furnish toys for the children.

Mrs. McGlamery stated that there were many others aiding but that more contributions of clothing and food and money were needed to reach as many families as possible. She told of visits that have been made by the committee to these homes and the need they saw. Mrs. Brice Taylor, Mrs. Herman Hague, president of the West Ward P. T. A. and Mrs. H. Perry, president of the South Ward P. T. A. have assisted the committee which is composed of Mrs. McGlamery, Mrs. P. G. Russell, Mrs. W. P. Leslie, Mrs. Frank Castleberry, Mrs. W. S. Poe. The Chamber of Commerce has aided in every way possible.

The League asks that all clothing and food and toys be brought to the Chamber of Commerce, and they urge every one in Eastland to help these less fortunate than themselves.

Meeting was presided over by Mrs. Jamsie Horton, with Mrs. John Turner in charge of the interesting program. Mrs. Ben Hamner, Mrs. Jos. M. Perkins, Mrs. Dan Childress, Mrs. E. E. Layton and Mrs. T. E. Payne gave topics of interest to all on the subject of Christmas.

Mrs. Cyrus B. Frost gave a detailed report of the State convention of T. F. W. C. held recently in Austin.

At the close of the session a Christmas tea hour was held, hosted by Mrs. Horton and Mrs. Robert Searis, who presided at the tea table. Table was laid in lace with silver service used.

An attendance of 40 was recorded at this exceptionally good meeting.

Dance the 29th of December

A post-Christmas dance will be held on the Connellee Roof the night of the 29th of December under the auspices of the Las Leales Club.

Ray Maddox and his 11 piece orchestra from Abilene will furnish the music.

Delphians Pre-Christmas Affair

The Woman's Clubhouse was scene of festive beauty Thursday afternoon at the annual Christmas affair of the Alpha Delphians. Mrs. Geo. E. Cross, Mrs. LaMunyon, Mrs. Jno. Harrison and Miss Hable Hart were in charge of arrangements of the very delightful party.

A tree of silver with blue lights centered the decoration theme of the Christmas season. Quartet tables, laid in Madena cloth were centered with miniature Santa Clauses with all appointments in keeping with the holiday motif.

Afternoon opened with the singing of "Silent Night," by the guests assembled, prefacing an article discussed by Mrs. D. J. Fiensy on "Birth Place of Christianity." Contests were conducted by Mrs. W. F. Davenport, with the afternoon's closing event, the exchange of gifts, conducted by Mrs. Frank Castleberry.

Guests present: Mmes. L. C. Brown, LeRoy Arnold, W. F. Davenport, D. J. Fiensy, Frank Crowell, Jno. Harrison, Geo. E. Cross, Jno. LaMunyon, Carl Timmons, P. L. Parker, Castleberry, Mable Hart, Sallie Morris.

Woodman Circle Loyalty Club

The Woodman Circle Loyalty club of Cisco met in the home of Mrs. Claude Strickland for a delightful Christmas party.

Beautifully decorated, the home was a scene of Christmas festivities with the gift laden tree and cluster of mistletoe placed about.

During the afternoon games and contests were conducted with a style show climaxing the period.

An exchange of gifts was held with a delicious refreshment plate served at the close to: Mme. Alma Elder, H. D. Lanham, Roy Farley, Arch Birt, Ethel Dunn, J. B. McCantles, L. G. Ball, C. A. Ramsey, M. P. Farnsworth, Dee Clement, C. B. Hill, Leah Bates, Mary Abbott, R. D. Jones, Effie Mayhew, A. B. Cooper, E. L. Wisdom, D. R. Harper, Lucille Harper, Miss Connie Strickland.

Party Plans Announced

The Junior department of the First Methodist church will hold their Christmas party Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at 7:15.

Entertained by Mrs. Strickland

Mrs. Claude Strickland was hostess to the members of the Fidelis Matron class Thursday afternoon at a delightfully arranged Christmas party in her home.

Centering the decorating theme was the beautifully lighted Christmas tree laden with gifts. A Santa land scene topped with white was very realistic with the snow mountains, tiny houses and churches with the green tress in the forest. Clusters of mistletoe were placed about.

An afternoon of games and con-

tests with several readings given and was closed with the presentations of gifts and the disclosure of the "little sisters." A beautiful gift was presented the teacher, Mrs. Jessie Riek from the class, and also one to Mrs. L. J. Lambert, president of the class.

Guest listed: Mmes. Joe Pearce, Annie Stokes, Wilcox, Edna Taylor, Jess Siebert, Sue Naylor, O. C. Terrell, J. R. Gilkey, H. Pentecost, A. S. McCoed, Maude Bourland, C. M. VanGeem, E. W. Gourley, H. A. Murphey, A. O. Cook, W. L. Wood, A. D. Carroll, D. L. Phillips, H. F. Hodges, Jno. F. White, L. J. Lambert, Jessie Riek, Herndon, J. T. Drake, Trott, Stiles, Frank Lovett, Pat Giles.

Party For Bible Class

In keeping with the holiday season, a lovely appointed Christmas party was hosted by Mrs. W. W. Walkers for the Ladies Bible class of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Alice Horn was co-hostess.

Blue and silver predominated in

the decorations while a lovely lighted completed the theme. In the arch between the dining room and living room, the silver was used with colored lights intermingling making a very festive scene. A lace laid table holding blue candleabra with tall white tapers added to the effect.

Mrs. Pauling Harris presided at the registration table where a guest list of 54 was recorded.

An interesting program of music and reading was presented with Norma Jean Walters, Glenna Ray Harris and Billy Floy Hunt reading. Patsy Horn gave a reading of "Thanks" with the song "Silent Night" sung softly by the assemblage closing the program.

An exchange of gifts was held with a lovely downy comfort presented the class teacher, Mrs. Loretta Herring, from the class.

Using the Christmas motif in all appointments, the hostess served a dainty refreshment plate with the favors of tiny Christmas paraisols.

Will Become Christmas Bride



Miss Charlyne Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison, of Eastland, 515 South Green street, is the bride-elect of Paul Benbrook of Austin, her parents announced today. The couple will be married in the home of her parents Sunday, Dec. 25, and will make their home in Austin.

Compliments Daughter

Mrs. J. W. Harris entertained with a party in her home Thursday afternoon complimenting her daughter, Annie Pearl, on her seventh birthday.

The house was beautifully decorated using the holiday theme with the lighted tree the center of the festivities. Gifts for the guests were placed on the tree. A beautifully birthday cake topped with lighted candles was placed on a white linen laid table.

A dainty refreshment plate was served to: Billie Stewart, Joyce Tucker, James Harris, Betty Jo Rutherford, Reba Jane Fox, Helen Virginia Grissom, Sarah Garrett, Tom Grissom, James Jesop, Dan Amis, Rudy Lotief, Patsy Young, Betty Mae Harris, and honoree, Annie Pearl.

The little honoree received many lovely gifts. Those sending gifts but were unable to attend were: Murray J. Herring, Bob Joe Lawrence, William Harris.

GEESE HUNTERS MIS-FIRE

By United Press

CATHLAMET, Ore.—A party of geese hunters here had unusual luck in bringing down eight fine birds. Unfortunately, on their way home they met a farmer who recognized the geese as having been erstwhile members of his tame flock. They settled on the spot—at something above market prices.



Ann Sheridan and James Cagney talk it over in "Angels With Dirty Faces" a picture that brings Cagney back in a gangster role the sort that made him a favorite with screen audiences. Pat O'Brien, Humphrey Bogart, the "Dead End" Kids and George Bancroft also are in the cast. The picture has its local showing at the Lyric theatre beginning today

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