

EASTLAND MAN CHOSEN CHIEF PYTHIANS

Robert Reed of Eastland was president of the Round...

Garrett Present At Oilmen's Banquet

Congressman Clyde L. Garrett announced the invocation at the annual banquet of the West...

Phone Company Manager Succumbs

Friends were advised today of the death at Mineral Wells of D. A. Phelps, former manager of the southwestern Bell Telephone company...

Is Filed On Humble Company

AUSTIN, Dec. 12.—Suit was filed in district court here today by attorney General Gerald Mann against Humble Oil and Refining...

Christmas Carols Through the Ages



BOAR'S HEAD CAROL: A boar's head in hand... The story behind the carol is that a student was in the country nearby...

Shopping Days Till Christmas

Russian Bear Eyes Another Bite



Threat to Romania in the Communist Party's official Moscow paper indicated the Russian bear was ready to bite off another chunk...

Douglas Fairbanks Dies Suddenly Of A Heart Attack

SANTA MONICA, Calif., Dec. 12.—Douglas Fairbanks, 55, greatest of all the silent screen heroes, died early today of a heart attack...

"Hobby Hall" Is To Spur Art Talent

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Short-ridge high school of Indianapolis is trying a new experiment in progressive education, with a "hobby hall" set up to enable students and teachers to discover any possible art talent...

Russians May Bomb Helsinki Once More

HELSINKI, Dec. 12.—Warnings were received in foreign quarters Helsinki might be subjected to new airplane bombardments on the first day of good weather...

THE WEATHER

Bremen Is Back In German Harbor After Long Journey

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—The German luxury liner Bremen has arrived in home waters after a voyage from Murmansk, Russia, during which it was saved from British submarine attacks...

Hearings Slated By Road Commission

AUSTIN, Dec. 12.—Thirteen delegations have been assigned time for hearings here by the state highway commission on Dec. 18 on road projects...

Staggered System Urged For Method of Graduating Students

EVANSTON, Ill.—Exodus of students from high schools and colleges in small groups instead of armies is suggested by Dr. Shirley A. Hamrin, Northwestern University professor of education...

500 DUE AT ANNUAL 4-H MEET SATURDAY

Five hundred children are expected to attend the county 4-H achievement day program Saturday at the Eastland High school auditorium...

TEXANS RAP ARIZONA FOR HANKS STAND

Texas officials criticized Gov. Robert Jones of Arizona today for his desire to leave an insane fugitive from Arizona's state asylum in Texas' custody...

Cars Are Named For Football Players

AUSTIN, Tex.—Stanford Payne of the oil and gas division of the State Railroad Commission refers to his automobile as "Jack Crain"...

Doctor Confers On Kidnaping Charge

BEAUMONT, Dec. 12.—Dr. William Welch, 52, Port Arthur chiropractor, conferred today for the first time with his attorney as the grand jury opened investigation of kidnaping charges against him...

Pacifying Program Urged By Oil Men

MINERAL WELLS, Dec. 12.—A "pacifying" program of state regulation was advocated by independent oil men today as the best possible answer to the threat of federal control of the industry...

Miss Cotton Gets Medal



Lone woman holder of the degree of Bachelor of Textile Engineering, Miss Opal Hill, 24, of Post, Tex., is pictured after being awarded the medal for student achievement by the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers...

40 MILES OF PIPELINE ARE TORN IN BLAST

WICHITA FALLS, Dec. 12.—A violent explosion ripped 40 miles of pipeline from the ground in North Texas and Southern Oklahoma today injuring at least one man...

Portraits On Money Betray Its Makers

TOLEDO, O.—Look to the eyes of the portrait on a bill if you would detect counterfeit money, urges Ira I. Brought, a Secret Service agent of the Federal government...

Canadians Stop Desertion Deaths

OTTAWA, Ont.—The death penalty for desertion, cowardice and sleeping on sentry duty has been abolished by the Canadian army, following a similar move by the parent British army forces...

NEARLY \$500 RAISED IN RED CROSS WORK

R. S. Searls, chairman of the Eastland Red Cross campaign, announced today completion of the drive which brought a total of \$466.17 in membership contributions...

SOVIET READY TO QUIT THE LEAGUE SOON

Soviet Russia appeared ready today to walk out of the League of Nations and to increase the offensive of Red armed forces against Finland...

Italy Seeks Free Mediterranean Sea Route For Trade

ROME, Dec. 12.—Italy may have free passage in the Mediterranean to insure its independence and colonies in which its increasing population may live, Virginia Gayda, authoritative fascist editor said today...

Death Causes Delay In Cole Hearing

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—The death today of Rep. Carl Mapes, 65, republican, Michigan, halted the hearings of the Cole congressional committee on a bill to place the oil industry under federal control...

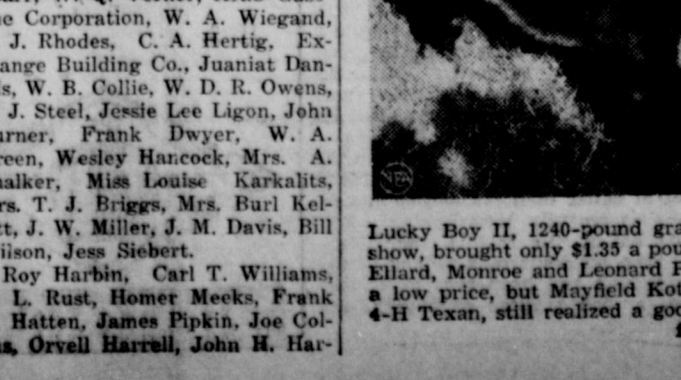
Giant Elk Bagged

YAKIMA, Wash.—Ralph Boys of LaCenter, Wash., killed one of the largest elks ever seen in this district last season. Boys said the animal, which had seven point antlers, weighed 665 pounds dressed and that it must have weighed 1,000 pounds live weight...

Auto Repays Horse

YAKIMA, Wash.—Horses have been used many times to pull motor vehicles out of predicaments, but here's a case when the reverse occurred. A mare owned by Rock Saritella fell into a concrete-lined ditch and couldn't get out. Kenneth Arrowsmith finally had to use his boom truck to rescue the animal...

Champ Steer Brings Low Price



Lucky Boy II, 1240-pound grand champion steer of Chicago stock show, brought only \$1.35 a pound on auction block when bought by Ellard, Monroe and Leonard Pfaltzer, above, meat packers. It was a low price, but Mayfield Kothman, in striped shirt, 18-year-old 4-H Texan, still realized a good profit on the animal he purchased for \$50.

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Justice Is Pitted Against Power

Democratic nations that have survived the onslaught of the international power trust are standing on the sidelines these days, applauding the effective defense of little Finland against invasion of the Big Bad Bear. The world was a little surprised that Finland didn't fall the way Poland did in the wake of superior force.

Exponents of the justice-will-prevail philosophy are becoming more confident that, in the end, the spunky Finns will beat off their bullying neighbors. That is, of course, what everyone in the United States would like to see happen. The early days of the undeclared war have been heartening for democracy's friends.

But in a war, it's the might-makes-right factor that determines the result. The struggle becomes a matter of cold military calculation. If an invader has sufficient power to overcome the natural barriers, it will win. So it was with Italy against Ethiopia and Albania and with Germany against Czechoslovakia, Austria, Poland. In the cases of Albania, Czechoslovakia, and Austria, the superior might of the assailants was so obvious that the conquered peoples didn't even bother seriously to take up arms.

One of the biggest question marks in military circles today is Russia's power. The Soviet military is an untested force, the details of which have been shrouded in more than usual diplomatic secrecy. No one is certain how strong Russia is. The Finnish battlefields may become testing grounds.

Nature is definitely on the side of Finland in the present encounters. Finnish troops are used to snow and ice. They're trained to defend their own arctic land, and troops move about with familiarity and confidence over snow-swept plains and icy barriers.

So far the Russians have found it rough going. Under normal conditions, opposing forces must be between two and three times as strong as the defending batteries to break through defensive lines. It may be that Russia will need even greater strength to break down the resistance of the Finns because of the slippery terrain.

Whatever happens to Finland eventually, it need not be assumed that Finnish independence is extinct. It is pretty difficult for a people who have once tasted real freedom to submit again to any other form of government. "You can't get it out of the body, but you can't get it out of the mind."

If Finland drives back the invaders, the democratic countries will be happy; if not, there will come another day. The Finns will not be able to accept for long Soviet totalitarianism.

A woman was sentenced to thirty days in Cedar City, Ia., before the new women's jail quarters were completed. She said she would consent to wait for a reservation.

The man who put the Duke and Duchess of Windsor on a diet of spinach and garlic juice is said to be engaged to Greta Garbo. It's all right if Garbo wants to look forward to that kind of life.

BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGTON

BY BRUCE CATTON
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Every senator spends a good part of his time trying to figure out what the folks back home want. Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas has hit upon a direct, fool-proof way to find out: he simply hires a hall and invites 'em to tell him. On Dec. 20 he is going to hold the second of his informal farm conferences in Topeka. He got the idea last year; invited any and all Kansas farmers who had anything on their minds to come to a public meeting and talk things over. More than 1000 of them responded. The senator listened to a solid day of five-minute speeches and felt that he learned a lot.

Now he's going to make this an annual affair. He has invited the governor of Kansas and the whole Kansas congressional delegation to attend the Dec. 20 conference, together with the heads of various farm organizations, and hopes that at least as many farmers will show up as came last year. There is no particular political aspect to it, and no set program is planned.

"I'll tell them what's been going on during this last session of Congress and what seems to be planned for the coming session," says Senator Capper. "Then I'll ask them to tell me what they want and how they've been getting along. The idea is to let the farmer have a chance to express himself and make known what he thinks ought to be done. The conference won't make any formal recommendations—unless someone gets up and moves something—but out of it will come some ideas, certainly. It's an example of democracy functioning in a direct way."

THE territory of Puerto Rico may spend up to half a million dollars of territorial funds advertising its rum next year, if plans now being talked up by some of the island's business men go through. Puerto Rico has a rather thriving distilling industry, on which the insular government collects something like \$3,000,000 annually in taxes. Business has increased of late, and the total tax "take" is due to go up; so the distillers are urging that part of the coming year's increase in tax collections from their industry be earmarked for a rum-advertising campaign on the mainland.

The scheme is expected to be advanced formally when the territorial legislature meets this winter.

A BIG step in the right direction—in the view of the government experts who want to see the United States' trade with South America built up—was taken the other day when Brazil announced that it would set up a central bank.

These experts have felt all along that no substantial, permanent increase in trade to the Latin American nations could be expected until central banking institutions were established in the different countries. The Brazilian finance minister, Arthur de Souza Costa, discussed a plan for establishing such a bank in Brazil with Secretary Morgenthau a couple of years ago. Last year President Roosevelt suggested that this country extend a \$50,000,000 credit to Brazil to make it possible, but Congress was cold to the idea.

Now Brazil's financial position is better. Her gold reserve stands at better than \$2,000,000 and she has recently been buying a good deal of gold in this country—amounting, incidentally, a million pounds which had been sent to England for the purpose of buying war ships.

Postscript to the News From Abroad



WILD LIFE

REGULATIONS RELATING TO MIGRATORY BIRDS

Due to the large number of questions asked me since the opening of duck season about the taking of ducks and geese, I will repeat the main points to remember while hunting ducks and geese.

Shooting Hours

Duck, geese, brant, coot may be hunted between the hours of 7 a. m. to 4 p. m. (not sunset as some think).

Daily Bag and Possession Limit

Ducks, 10 in the aggregate, except that the daily bag limit may not include more than 3 or any one of the aggregate of 3 of canvasbacks, redheads, buffleheads and ruddy ducks. Geese (include brant) 4 in the aggregate. Not more than 2 day's bag limit of ducks and geese may be possessed at one time.

Hunting Methods

Shotgun not larger than 10 gauge fired from the shoulder and must be plugged to a three shell capacity. Bow and arrow may be used. All other methods prohibited, dogs, blinds or floating devices

other than a sink box may be used. No requirements of time blind must be built or destroyed in Texas.

Methods Prohibited

Unlawful to hunt from a car, aircraft, motor boat, or sail boat. One may hunt from a boat if the motor is removed and laid down in the bottom of the boat. The motor must be completely detached of any kind to lure the birds, regardless of the distance between the feed and the hunter, is prohibited.

Duck Stamp

All persons over the age of 16 must have in their possession a valid Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp, purchased at the post office only, before hunting ducks or geese. These stamps cost one dollar.

Duck season and goose season closes December 29, 1939.

Attention Quail Hunters

All quail hunters who will cooperate with the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission in trying to determine the most popular quail food in this section of Texas are requested to save the quail crops and give them to your game ward-

Russians Drive Across Isthmus



Driving north across the Karelian Isthmus, Soviet land forces claim to have made a break in the wide Finnish defense line that is formed by a chain of lakes and land fortifications. Capture of Perkjarvi and Valkjarvi on the Leningrad railroad lines, and of Kiviniemi in the Mannerheim Line puts Russian troops within 25 miles striking distance of Viborg, second city of Finland. However, the Mannerheim Line is many miles deep, and early successes do not mean the whole line has been penetrated.

den. Those who will do this may put the contents in an envelope the time and date the bird was killed and the location of the place that the bird was killed. (Distance and direction from nearest town). We surely will appreciate this favor and you will be giving much to aid us in our quail restoration work.

Hauling Water Is Ended for Farmer

By United Press
HARTLEY, Tex.—For nine years Ernest L. Roberts had to haul a barrel of water daily for home use and had to drive cattle on his 960-acre farm to a watering place once or twice a week. All that is ended now. Roberts' farm has a well.

20,000 Finns Fight War in Arctic



While snow filtered through northern skies 200 miles above the Arctic Circle, Finland massed 20,000 first line troops to defend her scattered towns against the horde of Russian troops advancing across or parachuting down on the barren tundra between the Arctic highway and the Soviet border.

NYA Is Rushing Warm Springs for Crippled Children

GONZALES, Tex.—While 125 boys of the National Youth Administration are rushing to completion the first unit of a Texas warm springs center for crippled children, thousands of Texas school children are bringing dimes to school to furnish money for the building of additional dormitories and pools on the farm springs 40-acre location near Gonzales.

State Supt. L. A. Woods in a letter to all county and city school superintendents last week urged that each school child contribute ten cents to the foundation building fund. More than 100,000 children are enrolled in the school represented by superintendents who have pledged co-operation during the past week.

Ross Boothe, president of the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation, sponsoring organization of the movement to bring aid to many of the state's 20,000 little cripples, said that schools in all sections of the state were responding.

"Since State Supt. Woods mailed out his letter to all school superintendents last week pledges of co-operation in this humanitarian move have been arriving with every mail," Boothe said. "More than one hundred thousand school children are represented in the responses received during the past five days, which leads us to believe that a majority of Texas schools will co-operate."

In addition to contributions being received from the school children, many individuals who have read about the movement to build a Texas warm springs have mailed in dollar bills and checks," Boothe continued. "During the week we received a check for \$100 from a man residing in Chicago, who learned about the undertaking."

Through a National Youth Administration project work is now underway on the first unit of the Texas warm springs center, located ten miles north of Gonzales near the small town of Outine. Development is being carried out on a 40-acre tract of land that adjoins picturesque Palmetto State Park, widely known for the hundreds of varieties of wild flowers that abound in the area.

The first unit, to be completed within 90 days, will provide warm water pools, dormitories, nurses quarters and other facilities to care for sixteen crippled children. Dimes from the state's school children will be used to construct other units to care for additional children. The whole development program is being carried out according to a master plan, which when completed will care for more than a hundred crippled children at all times.

In requesting that each school child contribute ten cents to the Foundation building fund, Superintendent Woods pointed out that there are between fifteen and twenty thousand crippled children in the state. The Foundation, organized in 1937 to sponsor the movement to build a Texas warm springs center, is directed by a board of 38 men and women who reside over a wide section of the state, and has the endorsement of outstanding civic leaders, state and national public officials, fraternal and service organizations.

farm has a well.

In 1938, after establishment of the Rita Blanca water facilities area, Roberts obtained a long-time loan through the Farm Security Administration to make use of the agriculture department's water facilities program.

The soil conservation service then furnished technical assistance in the drilling of a well, the setting up of a windmill and the installation of a metal tank for livestock. An earthen tank was scooped out nearby to catch and hold the overflow from the metal stock tank. It will, in addition to providing storage for stock water, supply water for irrigation of a garden.

Say It With Lights Outdoor



The magic of a few colored Christmas-tree electric bulbs strung around can transform almost any home, no matter how humble, into a glowing greeting card.

By Jean Prentice

LYONES, in this good land of all America, are putting on their radiant holiday dress . . . to say "Merry Christmas!"

By December 25 there will be holly wreaths or branches of pine on many a door and lights twinkling in the shrubbery . . . to express good will to men in a world that sorely needs it.

Lighting engineers have received requests this year for information on how to light homes, churches and stores for Christmas.

Year after year the custom of lighting fireplaces and houses at the holiday season has been growing. Symbolic of the Star in the East, light has been given a special place in the observance of Christmas.

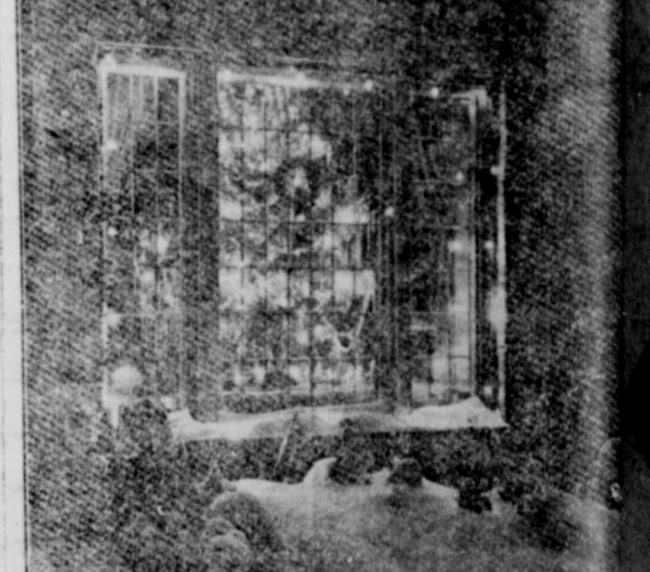
Now even the smallest hamlet usually has at least one cluster of homes which people go out of the way to pass because they are decorated with light. The glowing silhouette of a home against the black of a winter sky is something to warm the cockles of the heart of any wayfarer!

A house can be decorated quite simply and yet beautifully. There need be only evergreen twined around the frame of the door, with outdoor Christmas tree bulbs shining through, to make a home-ly picture of holiday joy. Add a cluster of pine on the door, and two projector floodlight bulbs in the house, as for the accompanying photograph, and the place has an ethereal quality.

In fact, with a single outdoor Christmas tree householder can bring a note to his home. With more one string, the decorative possibilities increase. The lights are used to outline a gable or a star frame and hung on the eaves. They may shine behind the "Merry Christmas!" which been cut from beaverboard placed above the doorway.

One way to make outdoor lighting easy is by using the "projector" floodlight bulb, which combines a reflector lens and all in one sealed unit. Decorate an outdoor fire with silver icicles, for example, place two of these reflector in brackets on the ground. A lens is breath-taking. A lens can be used over each add jewel-tones to the scene. These are just a few of the ways a home can express its original ideas of your own to brighten your home . . . incidentally, human hearts.

Glowing Tree at Window Spreads Joy Inside and



Why not let some of that pent-up "peace on earth" shine through your front window this yuletide season? Here's how:

Place your Christmas tree so that passers-by, as well as your own family, can enjoy the treat. Only a few extra strings of Christmas tree bulbs are needed to adorn the "back" part of the tree at the window.

And here's a valuable tip taken from my own experience. Shy away from "bargain" Christmas bulbs, particularly those of foreign origin. Owing to their inferior quality they go out all too quickly and are a source of annoyance. The best Christmas lights offered by American manufacturers are made in the long run.

To further increase the joy of your Christmas window, place weather-proof star Christmas tree bulbs at the outside of the window, with accompanying photo.

Your holiday tree then a lovely picture . . . jewels of incandescent sparkle.

Hold Doctor in Four-Year-Old D



Four years after his young actress-wife, Doris Schwuchow, found dead of carbon monoxide in their garage, Dr. George K. Davis, society physician, right, is held on suspicion in what police have been an "almost perfect" murder. Parentage of her brought up as a possible motive in testimony of new witness pair lived at Santa Monica, Calif.

SERIAL STORY
5 WOULD KILL BY TOM HORNER
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Yesterday Mrs. Benthorpe admitted ownership of the cat, explaining her actions and the portion Benthorpe's note mentioning her. After she admits unarguably that she was plotting to kill Benthorpe, she makes it look like she is a victim of his violence. While he traces her subtle actions, she shatters the stillness of the room.

CHAPTER XXIV
 "Here! Here!" Flynn yelled as he leaped toward Alston's door. Dawson pushed past Helen Benthorpe and followed.

There was a thin, blue wisp of smoke over the bed as they pushed through the locked door. Alston lay there, face down, as if asleep, just as Dawson had seen him before. His right arm hung down to the floor, and his fingers rested on a small blue-black revolver. A vivid stain spread over the white pillow as blood flowed from a wound in his temple.

Dawson bent over Alston, pressed his ear close to the old man's back, but it was a futile gesture. As he straightened up, he noticed a paper, tightly clutched in Alston's left hand.

"There's nothing we can do, now, Flynn," Dawson said in a low tone. "Call the coroner."

It was not necessary. He was standing directly behind Helen Benthorpe, in the doorway. As Dawson turned away from the body, Alston's daughter rushed toward the bed, but Dawson caught her in his arms and led her, gently, to a chair.

"Dad!!!" she screamed, again and again, then wept hysterically.

The coroner entered on Dawson's unspoken order, made a brief examination of the body. He removed the paper from Alston's hand, read the address and handed it to Dawson. "It's for you, Captain."

From the coroner's deputy, filed into the room and Ara and John, still handcuffed, followed.

All were watching Dawson as he read Alston's message. Mrs. Benthorpe's sobbing was the only sound in the room.

Dawson bent, whispered to Mrs. Benthorpe. Her sobbing subsided a little. He cleared his throat.

"You all are interested in this letter Mr. Alston has left for me. It concerns all of you.

"Dear Captain Dawson," he read. "I trust my decision to solve your case for you will not

upset too many of your excellent theories. It was inevitable that you should ultimately reach this final conclusion, and I have taken it upon myself to anticipate you.

"I killed Arnold Benthorpe.

"Any man who strikes my daughter forfeits his right to live.

"Helen's happiness has been my sole aim in life, since her mother died, and if killing Benthorpe will remove a cause of unhappiness I am glad I was able to do it.

"It was not difficult. I came in the rear entry, went directly to Benthorpe's study, killed him and then ran to the rear stairs. I was in the upper hall as Helen went down the front steps.

"Much of the time I was supposed to be asleep. I spent in Arnold's room, directly over the study. Your voice and those of the others were easily heard—Arnold had special openings just for that purpose—so I knew far more about the progress of your investigation than you guessed. What you did not know, or possibly overlooked, is that there is a communicating bath between Arnold's room and my own. That simplified matters considerably. It would have been even easier if I could have entered Helen's room by the same route, but her door was always kept locked.

"I chose di Torino as my most likely suspect and tried to fasten suspicion on him by finding one of his cigarettes in the passageway. But he had obliged me by carelessly dropping one there himself.

"I was listening upstairs, when he started to tell you that he had seen me, so I had to kill him too. I probably would have done the same for the girl—Ara—if she had not suggested a better way by telling you to look for the gun under Mrs. Benthorpe's mattress. You shouldn't have let her scream that so loudly. But you arrived just in time to prevent my putting it there.

"You've been searching all over for the gun that killed Benthorpe and di Torino. It will be found in my hand with three of its five shells fired.

"I had hidden it in a most convenient location immediately after I killed Benthorpe. . . . The laundry chute. Your man didn't find it when he searched through the clothes because I hung it within easy reach inside the chute. Even if he had looked up from the bottom of the chute, he could not have discovered it, unless the door on the second floor were open—and I paid particular attention that it remained closed. He might have seen it had he flashed his light up, but I doubt it. Anyway, that was one of the chances I had to take. You would have found no

"OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



RED RYDER By Fred Harman



ALLEY OOP - - - - - By Hamlin



Lupe Designs Silk Frock



Designed and worn by Lupe Velez is a frock and hood of smooth silk, patterned in petunia shades of purple, cerise and lavender on white. The Mexican actress fastens a cluster of iridescent bubbles in her hair, matching the necklace above the deep-V draped neckline.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



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Isolation Season For Diseases Is Now Approaching

Isolation placards for the various communicable diseases will be tacked upon hundreds of Texas homes during the coming winter months, but even then there will not be enough of these signs in use," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, declares.

"The reason for this, is that many parents who do not call a physician unless their child becomes seriously ill, will fail to report the case to the local health

officer or their family physician. The physician reports existence of communicable disease when he sees a case, but reporting is the parents' responsibility when no physician is called.

"If parents neglect this duty, their home will not be placarded, and visitors, particularly children, will not be properly warned there is communicable disease within. By entering the house, they risk the danger of exposure and possible illness as a result.

"A number of parents erringly consider an isolation placard to be a sign of disgrace when in reality it is a symbol of honor. Displaying the placard indicates that the family in which there is a case of communicable disease is doing its part in helping reduce the spread

of infection. Use of the placard where necessary this winter will help protect others against measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever, mumps, and other diseases which increase during cold weather.

"Whole-hearted cooperation in the observance of isolation is both desirable and necessary for the control and prevention of communicable disease. The law provides penalty for persons who fail to observe health regulations."

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 NEXT: What produces all the weather on earth?
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Society Notes

CALENDAR TONIGHT
Fidelis Matron Class of the First Baptist Church will entertain with Christmas party tonight at 7 o'clock in lower assembly room of the church. All members invited to attend.

Business and Professional Women's Club to meet tonight at 6:30 at Connelley Hotel.

Ladies Auxiliary of the Firemen's Department to meet at 7:30 in City Hall clubroom tonight.

Amoma Class of Baptist Church school will have Christmas party tonight at 7:30 in home of teacher, Mrs. L. D. Harris. All members are asked to meet at home of Miss Aileen Williams and to go from there to the Harris home.

CALENDAR WEDNESDAY
The Civic League and Garden Club meet at the clubhouse Wednesday afternoon for a Christmas tea with Mrs. A. H. Furse as hostess. The program will be presented by the Fort Worth Garden Club with special music by the Drago Studio.

Christmas Program Presented
At the meeting Monday evening of the Young Women's Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church in the home of Miss Aileen Williams, the Christmas program was presented with Miss Alice Mae Sue, chairman, in charge.

Giving the introduction of the program, Merry Christmas to All, Miss Sue then presented Miss May Taylor who read the story of Christmas with the assembly singing Christmas carols at the close of separate parts of the story.

Responsive scripture reading opened the program, which was closed with prayer by Mrs. L. V. Simmonds.

Present: Mrs. Simmonds, sponsor; Misses Sybil Holder, Jerry Terrell, Rama Barber, Faye Taylor, Florence Barber, Marzelle Wright, Lillian Caldwell, May Taylor, Alice Mae Sue, Georgia Mae Bishop, Alva Roper, Mrs. Neil, and the hostess, Miss Williams, Mrs. John Williams.

Ladies Bible Class Report

CLASSIFIED

DID YOU KNOW you can buy 1940 Packard Sedan for \$1098. Frank Lovett, at Burnside Motor Co., Eastland.

FOR SALE—Boys' bicycle, Good-year, good condition. 207 S. College.

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WHY NOT try my meals. During week 30c; Sundays 35c.—MRS. A. M. STOKES, 305 North Daugherty.

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

A regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Eastland National Bank will be held in the banking room of said bank between the hours of 1 and 3 p. m. on the 9th day of January, 1940; being the second Tuesday in said month for the purpose of electing directors and the transacting of such other business as may properly come before the shareholders meeting.

ALBERT TAYLOR,
Vice President.
Dec. 10-17-24-31.

The Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ met in regular session Monday afternoon at the church with Mrs. Lorretta Herring presiding.

Opening prayer was offered by Mrs. Guy Sherrill prefacing the lesson period on "Redemption Through Christ," taught by Mrs. Herring.

An announcement of the class Christmas party, which is to be held Thursday, Dec. 14 in the home of Mrs. H. E. Everett at 2:30 p. m., was made.

Present: Meses. Cecil Hibbert, A. F. Thurman, S. D. Brayles, W. A. McIntire, Elbert Mays, Henry Calloway, H. E. Lawrence, Harry Wood, J. O. Thompson, J. T. Sue, R. B. Reagan, J. R. Crossley, R. L. Rust, Guy Sherrill, Jack Lusk.

Congratulations
Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Holt of Olden announce the birth of a 7 1-4 pound baby boy born Tuesday morning, Dec. 12, at the Payne Hospital. Mother and baby are reported doing nicely.

Mothers Club to Meet
The members of the Mothers Club of the High School are urged to be present at the high school Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in room 2, officials state.

Every mother of high school students are urged to attend this meeting if at all possible and if not able to attend to send in the club dues of 50 cents.

Latest Books Listed at Public Library
A list of the best sellers and book of the month to be found at the Eastland Public Library follows:

Kitty Foyle by Christopher Morley; Immortal Ease, Kathleen Coyle; uen Ann Bolyn by Francis Hackett; Listen for the Voices by Anne Collier; Escape by Ethel Vance; Christmas Holiday by Somerset Maugham; The Red-lander by Sigmund Byrd; My Days of Strength by Dr. Ann Fearn Walker, and Christ in Concrete by Pietro de Donato.

Letters To Santa From His Friends, The Boys and Girls



Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 10 years old. My little brother is only six. He wants a "Gene Autry" cap pistol, a pair of boxing gloves and a tricycle. We also want some fruit, nuts and candy. Yours very truly, Ray Harbin, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a baseball glove and I would like to get a desk and a Lincoln log set, and I think that is all but I am not sure, and a football. From David Weems, Ranger.

Dear Santa Claus: I am eight years old. Please bring me a car, baseball mitt, football, pool table and three boxes of BB's, Richard Hodges, Route 3, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I want a red dump truck, a green racer, a tablet, four red pencils and a football. Your friend, Stanley Joe Stephen.

Dear Santa: I want a pair of boxing gloves, one wagon, cowboy suit, blue dump truck, an airplane, racer, candy and nuts. Roney Dale Stephen, Eastland.

Dear Santa: I have been a very good little girl. I am in the fifth grade and I have to go to school, so I want a new pair of school shoes and a doll, a manicure set. I want my shoes size 2. I hope I have not asked for too much, so by by. Your little friend, Mary Helen Burgess, Eastland.

Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl all this year. I would love for you to bring me a doll, table, chairs and a little stove and fruits, nuts and candy. Please don't forget my little baby sister, for she is too little to write. Please bring her a doll too. Your friend, Betty Jo Coghlan, Eastland.

Santa Claus To Visit Saturday

Santa Claus is to again visit Eastland this coming Saturday, according to information received by H. J. Tanner, secretary-manager of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce.

His visit will be at 10:30, according to Tanner. He will arrive in the police car.

Rotary Club To Seek New Members

The Eastland Rotary Club will soon initiate a membership campaign, according to plans outlined Monday at the weekly meeting in the First Methodist Church.

Discussion of the membership campaign was led by Earl Bender. A visitor was E. Hooks of Cisco. The club decided not to meet Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

only to tell you that I want a doll and a little bed for Christmas, I'm seven years old. Don't forget to come and see me. I'll be waiting for you. Good bye Santa Claus. Evangelinas Lamas, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I'm a little girl eight years old. I go to school every day and I want you to come to see me. Please Santa Claus bring me a doll and a little suit case to put my doll in, and I have three sisters and they would like to have the same thing, and don't forget to bring me some fruit and candy. Yours truly, Sabina Marcelina Bocardo, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: This comes only to tell you that I want a wagon for Christmas. I'm two years old. Don't forget to come and see me. I'll be waiting for you. Good bye Santa Claus. Resendo Lamas, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I'm a little boy two years old, and I would like for you to bring me a little car and a ball and some fruit and candy. Yours truly, Florentino de los Santos, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a good boy and I am five years old. I bring the milk to grandmother every day, and that's why I want you to bring me some toys. One horse, one BB gun, one truck, one bicycle, one sack of marbles, a pair of boots, a cap pistol, a suit of cowboy clothes, candy and fruit, and don't forget my grandmother. I am very poor. I live on North Basset Street in front of the cool people's church. Your friend, Robert Valles.

Dear Santa Claus: I am six years old and in the first grade. I have tried to be a good girl. Will you please bring me a baby doll, doll cradle, a set of dishes, fruit, nuts and candy. I love you. Your friend, Betty Jo Coghlan, Eastland.

Very Few Golf Courses He Hasn't Played



Alexander H. Findlay, left, first golfer to shoot a 72 for 18 holes, and right, part of his collection of old-time clubs and balls.

GERMANTOWN, Pa.—You can't tell Alexander H. Findlay much about golf. Findlay, now 72, is one of the first golfers, if not the first, to play the game in the United States.

In April of 1887 Findlay started knocking a golf ball around a Nebraska ranch next to that of William (Buffalo Bill) Cody, famous western frontiersman. It was two years later that John Reed and the "Appletree Rang" established the nation's first accredited course at St. Andrews-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Findlay was the first American golfer in the United States to score a 72 for 18 holes, posting a figure on the Montrose course in Scotland in 1912. He played 2388 courses and holds membership in 229 clubs. Despite his years he can still break 80.

Despite Findlay's arguments in favor of the Buffalo Bill, Findlay's arguments in favor of the Buffalo Bill scorred all his efforts to teach him. Findlay's hobby throughout the years has been collecting old golf equipment.

Frolic For Needy Is Slated Friday

The annual benefit festival for the needy in Eastland, staged each year by the Civic League and Garden Club, is slated for 9 o'clock Friday evening in the new American Legion Clubhouse.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Earl Conner plans have gone forward to make this one of the most successful and interesting charity frolics held. Mrs. Conner has as her assistants, Mrs. Fred Maxey, Mrs. H. Pullman, Mrs. Carl Hoffmann, Mrs. T. P. Johnson and Mrs. R. L. Davenport.

Scheduling an evening of entertainment of dancing, ballroom and old-fashioned square dances, the heel and toe, New Shoes, Schottisches, and featuring a floor show the committee have arranged a gala event. If an old-fashioned good time is wanted and at the same time an opportunity to help in the Christmas Cheer Fund, plan to attend the Festival Friday night.

Price of admission will be 50c per person and all proceeds will be used in the fund for the needy of Eastland.

Acre of Hair Is In Picacho Hills Aged Man Claims

LAS CRUCES, N. M.—According to Jacobo Chavez, 76-year-old "Sage of Picacho," an acre of human hair can be found in the badlands of the Picacho Mountains near Las Cruces.

Chavez, who recalls the days when the old Butterfield stage made its first stop west of Mesilla at the village of Picacho, found the spot 25 years ago while gathering rocks to build a location monument for a mining claim. Recently he led a party of amateur archaeologists to the site where coarse, black hairs, many over 10 inches in length and presumably human, are scattered thinly over an acre of ground.

The hairs are believed to have come from scalps taken by Apache Indians and thrown away after ceremonial dances at the spot.

Lending credence to this belief is a huge balanced rock about 15 feet high and weighing several tons which stands near the acre of hair and might have served as an Apache altar for the rites. Also, and he grabbed it.

legends of the Mexican-Indian habitants of Picacho tell of dancing ground somewhere in mountains west of the village where Apaches during the late years retired to hold their scalp dances after successful on Rio Grande Valley ranches villages.

Near the site, along mesa ridges, are to be found many places, pottery fragments and other indications of possible Indian campsites. On the acre of grass itself, however, no bones or artifacts have been discovered which would indicate the site might have been an Apache dancing ground or burial site.

Chavez, whose boyhood still stands in Picacho, got his of the sage of the colorful tales he tells of the emmarauding Indians and bad of the West, a period in which prospectors for lost mines and dian treasure.

THREE BIRDS; NO SHOT
WAPATO, Wash.—Brusder Heyden, local hunter, got bag limit of three pheasants day this season without firing shot. His dog set two roosters an alfalfa field and he got them with his hands. Later he a hen become entangled in a

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