AS, Fla.-A seasonal d cheer is reported mous hamlet of 200 holiday packages, rds pour into the tiny

nissionaries, children nx and even persons zones of Europe sent mail here for what an official stamp of proval - "Greetings as, Fla." Some percomplete authenticity stmas cards and askbe remailed from Claus, Ind., for fur

only postoffice nam in the United town is 102 years old ed attacks from hos d severe battles dur War. The town was by the Union arm; livil War.

Postoffice Departmen eliminate postal sta town, but combined Christmas' residents and the Florida delegation stave tened oblivion. the crop of mail is

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occupy the key posiganization because of san and non-industrial e University bureau mpile and assemble ormation for publi Buechel, bureau staexecutive secretary

ment Office oses Dec. 25tin

State Employmen will be closed Mon it was announced tod Lowry, office man- over 15 cents. due Monday will be

Discharged Case Settled

91st district court s J. H. Hardy vs

A New (X-Ray) Light on Shakespeare | Cheaney Couple



The centuries-old effort to prove Shakespeare was two other fellows received new impetus when New York photographic expert Charles W. Barrell revealed evidence that noted portraits of the Bard really picture the Earl of Oxford, whom many believe wrote Shakespeare's works. Above is the Ashbourne portrait of Shakespeare in the Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington. Barrell says it's really Oxford, doctored up after his death to conceal evidence of nobility and protect his family expirations. and protect his family against stigma then attached to the theater Barrell claims his X-rays show (1) forehead and hair, strikingly like Oxford's, had been disguised. (2) Large ruffled collar, an appurtenance of nobility, reduced to prebeian proportions. (3) Crest of Oxford's wife's family, hidden in background. (4) Boar's head seal of Oxford family on ring.

is being put into action.

agencies will take part.

ministration.

Arrangements are being direct-

"Drifting of our farmers off

ed by Robert Fisher, district su-

pervisor of the Farm Security Ad-

the land is the most disastrous erosion of all," Mr. Fisher said, in

explaining the objects of the tour

and meeting. "Farmers are being

displaced from the land by bank-

ruptcy, by lack of proper tools and

the spread of mechanized farming

meeting and on this tour what is

Farm Security Administration is

the Department of Agriculture's

agency charged directly with the

task of checking this "human ero-

sion", and the tour and meeting

will demonstrate how other agen

cies are providing additional guid-

The tour will start from Co-

manche at 1:00 o'clock p. m. Wednesday afternoon, with local bus-

iness men taking the lead in wel-

coming the congressman and visit-

ing officials of government agen-

cies. Stops will be made at farms

which have been bought by for-

mer tenants with loans from Farm

Security. New homes have been built or old ones remideled upon

ity loans. A complete soil con-servation plan for each farm has

been worked out and put into practice, through the Soil Con-

servation Service, including not

only terracing and strip cropping,

but also the retirement from cul-

Mr. Fisher said that the motion

pictures to be shown at the meet-

ing will not only be instructive,

but will eb very dramatic. "The

ing motion picture theatres of Nev

York, and other large cities, and

drew record crowds recently when

shown at open air meetings in East

Texas. Among the more dramatic

these conditions."

ance and assistance.

Ranger Man's Farm Garrett to Speak Home Destroyed In At Dublin Meeting Fire On Saturday

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hicks, located at Bluffdale, were cancelled. This was completely destroyed by fire ing to be addressed at Dublin, by acker expects to break Saturday night about 7 o'clock, it Congressman Clyde L. Garrett on Judging from the was learned here today.

> in the living room. Mrs. Hicks, who was at home at

path to mail cards the time of the fire, sustained featuring especially the international prize-winning feature "The Ann Fearn Walker; "Christ in the cards of the time of the fire, sustained featuring especially the international prize-winning feature "The Ann Fearn Walker; "Christ in the cards of the time of the fire, sustained featuring especially the international prize-winning feature "The Ann Fearn Walker; "Christ in the cards of the time of the fire, sustained featuring especially the international prize-winning feature "The Ann Fearn Walker; "Christ in the cards of the time of the fire, sustained painful burns about the hands, the cards of the cards of the cards of the fire, sustained painful burns about the hands, the cards of t boasts first of its face and on her legs, while trying River." State officials of the Farm Concrete" by Pietro-de-Donato; to put out the blaze.

Security, Extension Service, Soil "The Yearling" by Marjorie Kin-

The entire home, with all its furniture, was destroyed in the fire, Mrs. Hicks escaping from the flames with only the clothing she was wearing at the time.

Loss of the home was partly covered by insurance, but no insurance was carried on the furnishings, Hicks stated today.

ing Gathered Judgments Given Plaintiffs In Cases

Judgments of county court in ases tried recently include the Wesley Harrell vs. Pete King, dismissed

West Texas Produce Company, Inc., vs. W. D. Gafford, judgment of \$256 for the plaintiff. First State Bank of Rising

Star vs. A. E. Jamison, judgment of \$354 for the plaintiff. Eureka Tool company vs. Comanche Pipe Line corporation, judgment of \$329.74 for the plain-

judgment of \$506.14 for the plain-

Oakley Girls Club to Have Party Dec. 20

Girls of the 4-H Club met at the Oakley school house, Dec. 13. these farms, through Farm Secur-Purpose of the meeting was plan a Christmas party.

The club plans to have the party Wednesday night, December 20th, at the home of the president, Lora Riggs.

The plan is for everyone comes to bring a small gift not tivation of certain parts of the ver 15 cents.

Each girl of the club is to help planted to grass, with sodding of

lowing day, he stated. furnish refreshments. They ditches to prevent erosion. to bring pop corn or candy.

Former Resident Improves Sunday River" had a big run at the lead-

C. McCormick, formerly of ing discharged jur- Eastland, now residing in Breckenridge, has been seriously ill this past week at his home, friends renderwriters and in- ported today. They stated that his condition was improved Sunday,

Celebrate 50th Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Strickler of he Cheaney community celebrated their golden wedding Friday, Dec. 15, with an open house to their many friends.

At the noon hour a bountiful lunch was spread in the yard on the long white tables.

After lunch the crowd was entertained with a song-fest that vas enjoyed by all.

The couple was the recipient of nany beautiful and useful gifts. Those enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Calvert, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Browning, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Blackwell, B. C. Weekes, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Love, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Barton, J. O. Snell, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Dean, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snell and children, Leola Truman, Doris Gayland and John Albert, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Blackwell and children, Marene, Ray, Herman, Berle and Edward, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Campbell, Mrs. T. L. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Lawrence, Mrs. Joe Blackwell and Betty Jean, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Strickler and sons Clayton and Johnie, Mr. and Mrs. . B. Love, Mrs. Jim Howard and children, Willie William and Boyd Henry McClellan, Mr. and Mrs Earl Strickler and children, Ethel Clinton, Betty, Virginia and Freddie, and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stricker, the host and hostess.

New Additions at

A list of the latest books added to the skelves of the Eastland Public Library and best sellers as isted in the leading reading centers of the state and which may be had by calling at the library, on Plummer just off South Seaman street, was announced today The library is open Monday, Wed-Drifting of farmers away from nesday, Friday and Saturday after the farm, and how government noons from 2 o'clock until 5:30. The list: "Kitty Foyle," by will be the theme of a mass meet-Christopher Morley; "Immortal Ease" by Kathleen Coyle; "Best 1938-1939" Mantle; "Queen Anne Bolyn" by Wednesday night, December 20. Francis Hackett; "Listen For the The fire started from a lamp, The meeting will be preceded by Voices" by Anne Coloer; "Escape" by Ethel Vance; "Christmas Holiday" by Somerset Maugham; Motion pictures will be shown, "The Redlander" by Sigma Byrd;

of Our Years" Pierre van Passen; "Inside Asia" by John Gunther. Eastland Citizen's Daughter Is Dead

erty" by Elizabeth Page; "Days

Conservation Service, and other nan Rawlings; "The Tree of Lib-

Mrs. Burl Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Grieger of livestock, by lack of operating Eastland, died Saturday at her capital, by lack of knowledge of home in Farmington, West Virproper farming methods, and by ginia, after a long illness.

Mrs. Martin is survived by her and large scale operations. The public will be informed at this husband, five children, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grieger, and a brother, Marcus Grieger of East land. She was a half-sister of the late Frank Miller of Eastland. being offered them to remedy

Trades Day Due Two Days-C. C.

Two trades day programs will be held this week, it has been announced by the Chamber of Commerce in Eastland.

The first will be Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 and the other will be Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, according to the Chamber of Com-

No trades day will be held Saturday, Dec. 23.

Garner Candidacy Has Capitol Upset

By United Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- John Garner's formal annonucement of his candidacy for president next year had the capitol guessing today whether President Roosevelt will support him, run for a third term, or back another candidate.

Citizens Urge New Road at Meeting

AUSTIN, Dec. 18 .- Six hundred Wise County citizens appeared before the State Highway Commoments are scenes along the mission today urging completion Mississippi taken during the last of the Bridgeport to Rhome high-great flood.

George C. Scott Named as Chief **By Hotel Owners**

MINERAL WELLS, Dec. 18. George C. Scott, operator of th Scott Hotel, Dallas, and president of the Scott Hotel Company, of erators also of hotels in Houston San Angelo and Eastland, wa elected president of the Texas Ho tel Association Saturday, Decem ber 16, at the final business se sion of the association's annua three day convention, at Minera

Wells The Texas Hotel Association organized in 1906, is one of the oldest trade associations in Texas In addition to its regular activities it is a successful publisher, own ing and operating the Texas Hotel Review through a subsidiary company. Mr. Scott is one of the organizing directors of the Hotel Review Company.

The Texas Hotel Association has a full time staff with general offices in the Smith-Young Tower, San Antonio. Its membership num bers 253 of the leading hotels in Texas and Mexico, having a total of 27,000 hotel rooms.

Mr. Scott, an active leader in the Texas Hotel Association for many years, was advanced from the position of first vice-presiden in which capacity he has served during the past year. He has held many other offices in the association and is widely-popular in both Texas and out-of-state hotel

Just preceding the convention, Mr. Scott, accompanied by his wife, acted as envoy of the Texas Hotel Association on a trip through Louisiana and Mississippi inviting hotel executives of both these states to attend he Texas Library Announced these states to attend he Texas Scotts made a good-will trip to the North and East, encouraging in crease of travel to Texas and the Southwest.

The Scott Hotel Company of which George Scott is president, operates the Scott and Campbell Hotels, Dallas; Bristol Hotel Houston; Noylar Hotel, San An gelo, and the Connellee Hotel Eastland.

Having served previously as a attorney, Mr. Scott is rated one of the best speakers in hotel circles, not only in Texas but in the entire Southwest, and he is putting to good practice this ability developed in his early days as a

He is a member of the Dalla Country Club and is a consistent golfing enthusiast, keeping his mind fresh for his hotel administrative duties by playing golf regularly on his home links or course where he is visiting.

tion president has pledged his administration to the fostering of in creased travel to Texas in which program all types of businesses will be benefited. For every dollar spent with the hotels by tour ists and other travelers other dollars are spent out in the commun-

You Can Be a Santa, Too

There are lots of families who won't have any Christmas this year

unless you help them. They need clothing and thing

to eat; they hope so much that their youngsters will get Christmas

Be a Santa Claus this year and help some needy family. Lists of deserving families are maintained at the Chamber of Commerce office. The Chamber of Commerce will gratefully assign a family to you on application.

Is Elected



Pictured above is George C. Scott, Dallas operator of hotels in Dallas, Houston, San Angelo and Eastland, who was elected president of lot. the Texas Hotel association which closed its 34th annual convention Saturday in Mineral Wells, Ben S. Saturday in Mineral Wells. Ben S.

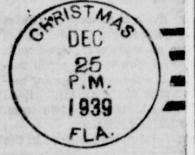
Scott, manager of the Connellee hotel at Eastland, also attended the convention. He is a brother of night and in southeast portion peratures tonight to about 45 de-George C. Scott.

Christmas Rush Comes to Christmas



In the throes of its annual postal boom is Christmas, Fla.-a hamlet of 200 people—as letters and Yuletide greetings pour into the post office to be remailed with the "Christmas" postmark. Juanita Tucker cancels some of the 60,000 pieces of mail that will





Honor Roll For

Period Is Listed

The teachers of Frankell have

ssued their second honor roll. The

ones who were on it were: firs

grade, Delma Charlene Scoggin

econd grade: Martha Deaver and

Wood, Johnnie Schoonover, Jr.,

Bradford and Dorothy Stuard.

weeks was Bobby Scoggin.

Eastland Schools

Closing Thursday

For Holiday Events

P. B. Bittle, Eastland schoo

until Tuesday, Jan. 2, in the ol

Supt. Bittle also expressed holi-

day greetings to the members of

the student body and their parents,

members of the school board and

To Be Interned

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 18,-Ar

about 700 members of the crew of

Mild cold span was closing or

North Texas today after a week

of spring-like temperature. The

The best speaker of this six

Frankell played Oak Grove Fri-

score in baskethall was 14 to 21 in

Frankell's favor. The leading boy

Frankell School Great Air Battle Is Reported Upon German Border

JUTLAND, Denmark, Dec. 18. Inhabitants along the German border reported today the greatest Eddie June Jackson, Kenneth air battle of the war raged five Stanford, Marlene Langford, Billie nours over the German air base at Dale Yoes and Royce McGowen;

Observers said the British planes dropped at least 14 bombs with Georgia Mae Casey, Rayburn inknown effect.

Berlin reported officially that Nolan Knight and Jettie Dean Mcdown and the Germans lost two.

Funeral Services Held at Olden For Mrs. W. H. Garner

Funeral services were held Mon- at Frankell was Captain Brown, Shackelford, Callahan, Stephens, day afternoon at Olden from the who scored 10 points, and next First Baptist church for Mrs. was Billy Jennings, who scored Maude Leola Garner, 55, who died points. Oak Grove's leading boy

Sunday at Olden.

Interment was in Eastland ceme- 7 points. Mrs. Garner was the wife of W.

H. Garner, Sr., of Olden and had Frankell made. lived there for 33 years. She was born March 9, 1884. Survivors are her husband; the following children, Eulis Ear

Garner of Olden, W. H. Garner Jr., of Olden, Mrs. J. E. Brown o Olden, John Douglas Garner of Olden; her parents, Mr. and Mrs I. D. Yielding of Olden, and the following brothers and sisters, Fred Yielding of Kilgore, Mrs Murl Greer of Vernon, Mrs. superintendent, announced Mon-Gracie Burke of Olden, Jim Yield-day that schools will close Thursing of Jal, N. M., and Lola Yield- day afternoon and remain closed ing of Vernon.

Hamner Undertaking company servance of the holiday season. of Eastland was in charge of ar-

Funeral Is Held For Mrs. Bennett

Graf Spee Crew Is Funeral services were · held Monday afternoon at Gorman for Mrs. Loss Bennett of New Hope. who died Sunday. She had been ill for an extended period. Sur-vivors include her husband. gentine government decided to-day to intern the captain and

Oil Man Killed In ... Airplane Accident the German ship Graf Spee, who

By United Press SEAGRAVES, Tex., Dec. 18 .-A sudden dive into a hangar at an airport here caused death Sunday

THE WEATHER

SVANIK, Norway, Dec. 18 .-Russians completed conquest on Finland's narrow arctic territory today as 40 retreating Finns were forced across the border into Norway and interned.

Great Britain and Finland laimed important victories in the

BRITAIN CLAIM

The British admiralty announcd that a small submarine sunk a ,000 ton German cruiser off Gernany while a German crew was cuttling Admiral Graf Spee batleship off Montevideo rather than face the Allied fleet.

Berlin denied that a cruiser ad been sunk and said German irplanes sunk four and damaged three British vessels, all small, off he English Coast.

The Finns claimed a "most imortant" victory on Karelian Isthus, where Russians were hurled

Census Office to Be Opened Soon

SWEETWATER, Dec. 18 .- Mrs. Royal Headrick, appointed Dec. 4 as assistant district supervisor for the 1940 U.S. census by Congressman Clyde Garrett, returned Friday from Amarillo after attending a Bureau of Census training school of instruction and is awaiting summons to assume du-

ies at the Abilene office. Offices for the 17th congresional district will be located on the third floor of the federal building, Abilene, with industrial census getting underway Jan. 2, and population census,

Eighty Northwest Texas counties were represented at the Amarillo area school of instruction, supervised by W. S. Ruffner, regional director, and L. G. Rainey, assistant. Assignments were made have charge of employing his of-

fice help and enumerators for the

Keith Munnerlyn; third grade, counties of his district. In this district J. C. Shipman, Abilene, will make contacts for helpers. While the census is not to begin 34 of 44 British planes were shot Collum; fourth grade, Nona Len- until early in January, district sunon and Garlan Ray Poland; fifth pervisors are to begin work imgrade, Dorothy Jean Yoes; seventh mediately on establishing their ofgrade, Billie Jo Brown, Donald fices, preparing their schedules, Counters must have training in bookkeeping and accounting for the business census. Enumerators

must have special qualifications to

day in basketball and football. The be employed. Counties in the Abilene district are Taylor, Nolan, Fisher, Jones, Eastland, Palo Pinto, Erath, Comanche and Hamilton.

Condemned Negro was Kenneth Kirkland, who scored The score in football was noth-To Be Electrocuted ing to two touchdowns which

By United Press AUSTIN, Dec. 18 .- Harry Lacy, peero murderer whose case was carried to the U.S. Supreme Court on a question of race preudice, will be electrocuted after nidnight at Huntsville prison for killing Edgar Womack in Trinity County four years ago.

Employment Keeps Up With Last Year

AUSTIN, Tex .- Employment and weekly payrolls in Texas man-ufacturing industries last month kept pace with the 1939 upswing. University of Texas business research officials have reported.

The University Bureau of Busness Research estimates Texas factories employed 132,819 work-ers during November on average weekly payrolls of \$2,568,507. Number of employees was 4.5 per cent more than in November a year ago and payrolls 6.4 per cent higher. Both eased off slightly

from October, however. In all industries, both manu Cold Snap Is Due In
State By Evening

By United Press

Mild cold snap was closing on

"Cap" Poe of Longbranch, time county resident, is reserviously ill at the home daughter, Mrs. J. E. Spencer

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Did Someone Mention War Debts?

On Dec. 15, a quaint little ceremony will be re-enacted in Washington. The Finnish minister will drive to the State Department and tender the United States government a check for \$234,693. Hands will be shaken, speeches made; but this time the Finnish envoy may not smile.

Finland, as usual, is fully expected to remit her semiannual interest payment on her World War debt. If present plans proceed, the money will be held in suspension by the Treasury Department, and Congress will be asked to return the money to Finland for use in the fight with

That would be America's way of expressing appreciation to a country that doesn't welch on its obligations, and the United States would have the whole world know it. Cautious even in its generosity, Uncle Sam would make certain, first, however, that the payment is actually accepted and then turned back. Any other prodecure might inspire crazy nations that the United States dosn't want debtor nations to settle up.

What may happen to war debts if present hostilities conitnue for long is something no one likes to think about just now. The expensive game of war isn't played with buttons; and, if debtor nations happen to find a few forduring the peaceful years that lay between the two wars. debtors were not over-zealous about remitting.

Take a look at the record: Total debts incurred in the United States by the allies during and immediately after the war were \$10,350,000,000. The original interest was 5 per cent. It was later cut to 4 1-2 per cent, and finally the entire debt structure was rearranged to fix interest on the ability of each nation to pay. Thus Great Britain's interest today is set at 3.3 per cent while Italy's is only .4 per cent.

So far, all the nations have paid only \$2,500,000,000 most of which went for interest. Because of defaults and interest, the total debt has mounted to \$14,500,000,000. Had the debtor nations continued to make prompt semiannual payments under the funding agreements, reached between 1923 and 1928, they would have paid the United States a total of \$22,259,000 by 1989, year in which all countries would have made their final payments.

The war debt problem has provided political ammunition for all sides since the ink was still moist on the Versailles Treaty. Attempting to get payments from Europe just now would be about as successful as stepping into a riot to ask one of the participants for the quarter he borrowed last week.

debts-not paying old ones. And about all the United States can do is to keep sending dunning notes to the defaulters as brusque reminders that you can't fool all of the people all of the time.



25 Italian river. 54 Even his 26 Cam lever. 30 African plant. gold. 34 One that 55 He --- to have his normal touch ornament. returned. 36 Satiric. 38 To commingle 57 Pieces of poetry. 29 Noun ending.

45 Betrothed.

50 High card.

9 To percolate, 52 Kimono girdle 59 Pertaining to 10 Bile. 11 Gem.

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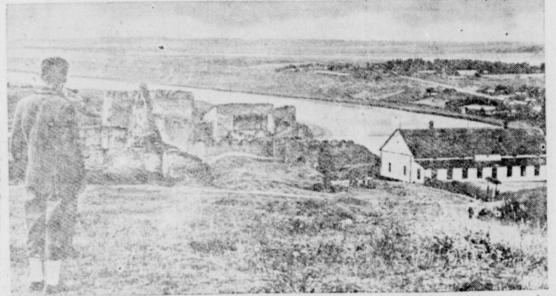
up Bessarabia when war starts, his mania ame is to prevent it starting. including a prayer and an army—the greater of which is not, in military opinion, his army.

Which helps explain why Ro-

The Early Arrivals



gotten shillings in the pig bank, the money will go for machine guns and such—not to settle old accounts. Even WOVE AGAINST ROWAMA



Carol on Hot Spot Between Enemies on All Sides

BY THOMAS M. JOHNSON NEA Service Staff Correspondent IF Russia means it about seizing Romania's proince of Bessarabia,

Balkans and the Near East. But perhaps we shall merely Russia walk in on Bessarabia. For mostly history and power. one apparently weird aspect of a weird situation is that the Red

action, making real resistance or the Pruth River, backed by the hills that the Bessarabian steppes lack. virtually the Russo-Romanian boundary before the World War when Bessarabia was a (forcibly annexed) Russian province. So, why any shooting at all? ROMANIA SQUATS

BEFORE ENEMIES

ans, where it takes only one eary-each full of vengeance and elles

So Carol marshals his resources,

His army wears prettier uni- deck, yet, ere his shop of state forms than any European army sink, help may come. Help against and lately was slowest to mobilize; Russia might come from Italy, its officers use makeup and have Jugoslavia, perhaps remotely, even had to be reorganized; its soldiers from Germany; or if Germany are the most numerous in the casts lots for his shirt with Russia, Palkans (1,700,000 potential) and then still, help from Italy and the 873 commercial banks in the the worst equipped, and some are Britain and France, Yugoslavia of doubtful loyalty. and Greece.

opened the Dardanelles to a British and Houston.

AFFECTS ROMANIA

IT'S the old European complaint, Hungarians and Slavs governed by Latin Romanians. True, their right to govern is better than those good Near East and advising King Carneighbors, Hungary, Bulgaria and ol about his army.

Romanians than Hungarians; Do- ward as mumblepeg. The possible brudja has some of everything. combinations would puzzle Ein-But, why does a farmer covet his stein. What will Stalin do? Hitler spreading to the neighbor's acres? Especially if he Mussolini? Today Carol is trying once had them-no matter how he to appease Hungary and Bulgaria got them. In Europe politics is by better treatment of their min-

Hungary and Bulgaria lack the Shall power now, for Romania's twenty Transylvania and Dobrudja? Shall millions outnumber them combin- he without war give Russia what ed. But if Russia marched, though he must give her with war? Or only to the Pruth, that would keep shall he, if forced, risk war hoping The Romanian general staff much of the Romanian army busy for help that will neable him to would fight there only a delaying and give Hungary and Bulgaria a retain Bessarabia? This far he has

CAROL MIGHT LOSE ALL

PERHAPS their blast of con-King Carol in his socks. But per- Texas Banks Make haps it would bring a rushing mighty wind that would blow down the whole card-house of Balkan peace and whirl it into the cyclone of general war.

For in the Balkan game all the FIRST, Romania is in the Balk- big shots have stakes, and are playing with knives in their boots. shot to start a barrage; second, Ro- Not just Russia but Germany, if Texas are actively meeting the mania's shape is round, like a spot. only for Romanian oil; Italy, for credit needs of their communities On that spot she squats, surround-ed by the finest assortment of munism for herself and her protenemies confronting any nation in ege Bulgaria, to Russia's historic Europe-Russia, Bulgaria, Hun- goal, warm water at the Dardan- banks of the Lone Star State

But there stands Turkey, still To give in to one without giv- Russia's professed friend though ng in to all is a trick even for now an ally of Britain and France ing the first six months of 1939 agile King Carol. If he must give --who also have guaranteed Ro-

CAROL'S PRAYER IS EXPANSIVE

CIRCLING King Carol's spot, we arrive at his prayer—that if he must be the boy on the burning

It could come quickly if Turkey | in the metropolitan areas of Dallas

Greece and reach Romania overinnerity indigestion. Too many pared by Foch's old right hand, Weygand, just back from strengthening French garrisons in the

That one-time Besserabia has more Romanians play a game now that makes numthan Russians; Transylvania more bers or pinball look straightfor-

> Shall he even give back parts of sat tight, on the hettest spot in Europe-which is getting hotter every minute.

850,000 New Loans And Renew 575,000

NEW YORK .- That banks in is indicated by figures announced by the American Bankers Association showing that the commercial made more than 850,000 new loans totaling \$580,000,000 to business firms and individuals durand renewed 575,000 outstanding loans totaling \$725,000,000 during the same period.

The survey also reveals that business firms in the state are using less than half of the "open lines of credit" maintained for their use on the books of the banks.

These figures are based on reports received from 182 of the Texas banks holding membership in the A. B. A., or 21 per cent of state, and make allowance for the concentration of lending activity

Youthful '49er Is Hearty At 100

ST. LOUIS .- James M. Shuey has safely passed the century mark in age, but he says he can't remember worrying about any thing since the time he and his father ran out of grub during the gold rush of '49.

"I'm never sick, feel fine, never felt better," he said. Not so strong as he was 90 years ago, however, he spends a good deal of his time lying down. In '49, he says, his family moved west with other gold seekers. "Dad took a fool notion to get

rich and we pulled up stakes and started to California in a covered wagon," he said. "That was som trip. We got as far as Salt Lake City and dad started digging. The ground was hard and the

gold was deep and we got only a goose quill full. Dad sold it for food and we started back East.

"Yep, it was an interesting trip, all right," he recalled. "All across the plains we'd run into Indians. They'd ride their ponies along even with the wagon train, but they kept a good distance away. They'd hear the music sometimes at night and creep up to the campfires and just sit there, out of the light. They were good Indians and never gave us any trouble.

"Dad brought us to Missouri and we settled down in Franklin county along Fiddle Creek. I -remember crossing the Missouri river because we had a little bulldog and he wouldn't get in the boat. He almost bit dad's thumb off and we had to leave him."

Shuey says he married only once, to "a girl off Fiddle Creek name of Reid. She was 15 when we married, a fine girl."

He moved to St. Louis 35 years ago and went to work for the railroads. He carried mail and worked as a section hand, but says he doesn't remember as much about that as he does about the family's migration to the West and back

Three of Shuey's 13 children are still living. He has 12 grandaildren, seven great-grandchildren and a great-great-grand-"My sight hasn't been any good

for the last six years and I'm not able to see 'em," he said. "But I know their voices and I'll probably outlive the whole lot."

The 182 banks reported they made 232,237 new loans totaling \$193,841,088 between January 1 and June 30, 1939, and renewed 155,947 outstanding loans totaling \$256,332,552. In addition, they reported 2,469 new mortgage loans to home owners and other real estate owners totaling \$6,-

The average number of new oans reported per bank was 1,276, and the average loan was for

The average number of renewals per bank was 857, and the average renewal was for \$1,644. The average number of new

mortgages reported per bank was 14, and the average mortgage was

for \$2,725. In addition to making loans on individual applications, the banks of the larger cities maintain what are known as "open lines of credit" on their books, available to regular business borrowers at all times. Nineteen banks reported such open lines of credit totaling \$25,223,971. However, only \$10. 253,120, or 40 per cent of this credit, was being used by busi-

ness firms on June 30.

BRUCE CATTON IN WASHINGT

BY BRUCE CATTON

whike settlement, as some of the government's labor experts see it, ments like the one w was an unobtrusive little provision this strike can't be re that any complaints by the union the strike takes place regarding the speed of production afterward. chedules are to be handled like any other grievances.

It was a row over an alleged longest of the auto "speed-up" that started the trouble in the first place. The union demanded a voice in determining the speed of operations and the eral is concerned, but

management refused to grant it. a good deal of though
The point was left a trifle vague that it might profitat in the final settlement; actually, cised a little more ju nowever, leaders of the Labor Department's Conciliation Service believe that a formula was found by which this thorny problem can be handled successfully in the

ARBITRATION IS PROVIDED

ALL that the contract says on the formerly; and matter is that the management passed beyond will try to be fair in setting pro- discussion stage, the duction schedules; that in case of talk of extending and complaint an investigation will be the means by made, and that if this does not averted or settled. bring a satisfactory settlement the matter will be handled like any gress other grievance, with an appeal harshly with the Na board of two management repre- Relations Board, thi sentatives and two union repre- ably would result sentatives empowered to make a program for action, final decision.

In practice, this appeal board long, stubborn strike would have to call in a fifth per-son satisfactory to both sides if it could not come to any agreement; and it is expected here that that no power to do any fifth person would probably be a member of the Conciliation Serv-

EVERYONE LOSES, MURPHY BOTHERED

SPEAKING of the Chrysler would care to risk strike: It drew some caustic as unreasonable or

NEA Service Staff Correspondent friend of organized WASHINGTON.—The important who torney General Frank wondered thing about the Chrysler auto isn't feasible to work

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TERDAY: Alice Banks home with Mrs, Brown, also lives at the Deakin mg house. They find Mrs. a about to eject her oldest r, Mr. Middleton. Alice pays at. When she goes to the for Mrs. Deakin, Alice runs terry Donaldson.

CHAPTER V

ING into Jerry Donaldson ont of her boarding house snowy Christmas Eve was thing on earth that Alice had expected to do. She nly stop and exclaim: Where in the world did

e from?" e! Well, still living on this street-in the awful boarde! Beautiful girl like you!" old Jerry, she thought, as

vered. . it's near the school. . not married yet," he in-d. "Are you?"

should I be married?" she flippantly. grieving for me?" took up his bantering

rally. You can't expect a

?" said Jerry with a little the store "Just about as subtle as lend tone to the family.

on the snow.

nd run his two-by-four hick ment store. No sir!" He - warm down there- seen a ghost." of this nasty snow. Gotta tot of serious thinking."

shook her head. old Jerry. Mama's spoiled aldson boy?"

suddenly became serious. mitted.

get rid of me. Got to save him to." rom"—he waved his arms started to comb her hair.

She went to her mirror and air.

T phooey. Listen, I'll go back tell father off; then I'm com-to pick you up at old lady in's. Won't she be glad to Mrs. Brown was silent. Alice have a date-I'm coming for silk. "I feel better in this," she

HARMLESS! WHERE'D I BE

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Betty Carter

you-soon. Make it half an hour? get over first love as quick- I'll have pop finished off by then."

both laughed. Jerry went upstairs to her cold boarding ent to the whole Christmas idea. house room. She took off her hat ry," Alice cried, "you're not and coat and spread them out over a chair to dry, then went to her little bookcase, selected a book, i, indignantly. "That's why and tried to read. It was impos-re. Mama's locked up all the sible. She stared out of the win-Can't face one of mama's dow, over the Carters' shabby lit-

Mrs. Brown entered.
"I saw you come in," she said. "Father's going to stake boy to a South American broke off suddenly. "What's the existence of a Santa Claus." Never been to South matter-you look as though you've

not that good-for-nothing Don- hear."

"Yes, I'm afraid so," Alice ad-itted. "He said he was coming night," Pete remarked. sped her arm.

you don't," he begged. He won't come. I don't even want Christmas Eve," Mrs. Carter said.

"He isn't worth a thing and I'll grave and still.
"St. Nicholas used to perform

e again! We'll go off and slipped off her dark woolen dress a little. Now don't tell me and slowly put on the flowered

OCOLA WAS ON

THAT VESSEL--

AND NOW LOOK

SOLITARY

explained, then suddenly burst in-

to tears. Mrs. Brown threw her arms about the sobbing girl. "Don't - Alice, dear - don't,

"I can't help it—Mother Brown —I just can't let myself begin thinking about him again-how

sweet he can be, when he's away from that mother of his. She's ruining him. Oh, it's wicked-I

"Well, there now," Mrs. Brown comforted. "It's fate—really it is. You want to see him—and you don't. He comes-and he doesn't. You just have to let fate take care of those things. I'm so sorry. You are in love with him-aren't you?" Alice walked over to the win-

dow and looked out. In a mo-ment, she motioned to Mrs. Brown who came and stood by her side. From the window they could look down into the Carter living room where Mrs. Carter was seated in front of an open fire reading

to her three little ones. "Sweet, aren't they?" murmured hat. Can you? Nobody sent at the went off dizzily, and Alice watched him, shaking her head. She felt forlorn and depressed, walking down the street toward sters will get this Christmas."

BETTY lay curled up on her a of turning me into a law-to lend tone to the family. WHEN she had returned and left the lemons in the kitchen, she at her feet, trying to be indiffermother's lap. Pete and Joe sat

Mrs. Carter's soft voice read: "The stockings hung by the chimney. . . ." Betty bounced up and down

with excitement. "Just like ours! Just like ours!" Then she looked worried. "Mother,

in to meet the darling boy? sides, there's gonna be faWhen he finds out I quit e he'll be mad. Especially he finds out I won't stay and run his two-by-four hick like the lates and took out her flowwhen he finds out I won't stay and run his two-by-four hick like the lates and took out her flowered silk dress. There was a late the lates and took out her flowered silk dress. There was a late the lates and took out her flowered silk dress. There was a late the lates and took out her flowered silk dress. There was a late the lates and took out her flowered silk dress. There was a lates and took out her flowhered silk dress. There was a lates and took out her flowhered silk dress and took ou

Joe, aged eight, was more dubi-

"Gosh, I don't know," he said hesitantly. "You shouldn't take any chances—on a night like this. "I have."

Mrs. Brown stared at her. "Not He might be around—he might "Take some kind of miracle to

"Miracles sometimes happen on

"You can feel something in the The children looked at her, very

miracles for people like us. Maybe

-maybe-She shuddered a little, and turned back to her book. (To Be Continued)

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Education Must Be Utilized to Rid State of Syphilis

a decrease in the inci- their ence of syphilis is to be accomox, State Health Officer.

their beginning stages, thereby late cases. To begin treatment shortening the period of hazard to when the disease is late is to help

case holding, and public education | public health. Patients must be efforts must be more effectively taught to request examination of ians upon the appearance of symptoms. It is probable olished," declared Dr. Geo. W. that a majority of infections are first detected by routine blood "We must treat infections in tests, yet 70 per cent of them are

. By Fred Harman those cases in hand, but it does | vides the service to assist in ar others," Dr. Cox said.

> upon the full participation of the patient if our goal is to be realizis a guidepost to the physician but ed. In general, the division of re- should be considered along with ponsibility should be as follows: history and physical examination (1) The community provides before a diagnosis of syphills is treatment facilities; the patient made. presents himself for treatment and accepts it in spite of the obstacles. (2) The community provides adequate instruction and assistance to the patient in adapting himself to a difficult situation; in response to this the patient observes precau- lin for his heroic stand against tions and protects others from in- Finland's threat to Russia. fection. (3) The community pro-

> not prevent the further spread of ranging for examination of conyphilis, for the disease has doubt- tacts; the patient's part is to di less already been transmitted to vulge the identity of his contacts and sometimes to approach them In reality, we are dependent regarding examination.

The Nobel peace prize award for 1939 will not be made this year, dispelling rumors that the award would be given to Joe Sta

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS- ..









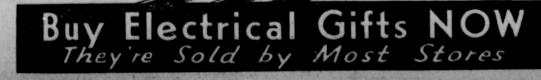












Letters

To

SANTA

Society Notes

Calendar Tonight

ven Junior Music club will enter cain with the Christmas party in he home of Mrs. A. F. Taylor. All nembers urged to be present,

The Booster class of the Firs Methodist church school entertain onight at 8 o'clock in the lower ssemblyroom of the Methodist church with a Christmas party for the Mexican Children of East

Calendar Tuesday

The 50-Year Pioneer Women's club will celebrate the Yule season with an all day session and Christmas luncheon in the lower assemblyroom of the Methodist church.

The 30-Year Pioneer Women's lub will meet at the home of Mrs. John Norton for their annual Christmas fete.

The Socialite Club will entertain at 4 o'clock with a Christman party in the home of Lila Ann Love Tuesday.

Martha Dorcas Class Plan Christmas Fete for Wednesday

The members of the Martha Dorcas class of the First Methodist church met in regular session Sunday with song services opening the period. The Lord's pray er was said by the class in uniso

At the business period, plans for the class party, which is to be held Wednesday, December 20, in the home of Mrs. C. W. Hoffmar at 3 o'clock. All members of the calss are invited to be present, and each is asked to bring a gift cost ing not more than 25c

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Scriptures were read by Mrs. | ald, Burkhead, Clint Jones B. gue with the lesson taught by Matthews, J. Matthews, Annie Mrs. Frank Castleberry, as gen-Mrs. W. P. Leslie. Closing prayer Cooke.

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eral chairman, presided as hostess with her committee, Mrs. LeRoy Arnold, Mrs. P. L. Parker, Mrs. P.

B. Bittle and Mrs. D. J. Fiensy. The Alpha Delphians Club ob-Highlighting the decorative autifully de er, Harrell, Parrish, Young, Lane. pre-Christmas party held at the Ferrell, Hardin, Stoker, McDon- Woman's Clubhouse Thursday. which the exchange gifts were distributed.

The afternoon program opened with the singing of Christmas carols with Mrs. L. C. Brown at

Mrs. Herman Hague told a group of interesting Christmas stories, prefacing an afternoon of informal games and contests directed by Mrs. Luth Bean.

Mrs. Art Johnson and Mrs. W. S. Poe were Fort Worth visitors

ALAMEDA

Mrs. Harry Deal's mother, Mrs T. W. Lockhart, has been seriously ill for some time. She has improved some. Her son, J. C. Lockhart and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Demint from Sweetwater visited her Saturday and Sunday two

Mr. Watkins had a stroke at church the past Sunday and has been very ill. He is improving. J. L. Brown got two ribs brok-

en when he was helping his son with a bunch of hogs and fell. He has improved some.

Mrs. Ewing is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Brown and family. Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Grice and son visited his parents Saturday

and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wheat of Olden visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill

Reid last week. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and children of Baird visited with his parents Sunday.

This entire community was made sad over the death of Mr. Rodgers. He was well known all over the county. He lived in the Salem community.

Mrs. Frank Walker and son and wife from West Texas have been visiting relatives. They have returned to their home.
Mrs. L. M. Stewart of Olden

visited with her sister, Mrs. Harry Deal, Friday until Monday. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lockhart visited with home folks last week. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Grice and

son were in Ranger Monday.

To Be Constructed Of Field Products

AMARILLO, Tex .- A prediction that the "farm of the future" would be constructed from "products of the field" today stirred activity among Texas' chemur-

Dr. O. R. Sweeney, head of the chemical engineering department at Iowa State College, predicted in a speech here recently that agriculturalists of the Panhandle-Plains country were "capable of raising a complete home from the waste products of the field."

This would be possible, he said, through the use of chemurgy-the science of chemical knowledge applied to agriculture—used in connection with such wastes as cotton burrs, corn stalks and wheat

He pointed to the wall board industry as "one already successful" through the use of chemurgy.

"In every part of the nationand even the deserts with its greasewood and yucca-are plants and agricultural products that can support factories," Sweeney said. By spreading out the factories and placing them at the source of those supplies, we can spread out population."

Sweeney declared that the decentralization of population was "very important" and only possible through the use of chemurgy "Civilizations of all ages,"

said, "have fallen because of great concentrations of populations when the cities grow to the point that life of the nation centers in them alone, then civilization will

Through chemistry it is possible to spread out industry and population he contended. "Chemistry outstrips nature. In the laboratory both harder and softer lumbe than trees produce can be manufactured. There is no limitation to size. Cornstalks can produce bigger and longer boards than can be cut from the giant redwood General Sherman.

"And the field has only been touched with new uses and new products being continually discovered," he said.

CHEANEY

There is quite a lot of moving ast now. Eugene Ferrell and family have moved on the farm vacated by Mr. Dublin, who moved to

J. B. Love and family have moved on the E. M. Campbell farm vacated by Charley Miller and family who moved to Mrs. Mattie Walton's farm.

Mr. Smith and family of Colony ity are moving to Mrs. Ora B. Jones'

Aubrey Love had his car burn- and other conveniences.

Laton Rogers of Cheaney died holidays. among the old settlers of this cated by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Love.

Charley Dean and family of county and was liked by all that By Williams Farm Of The Future Roby have moved to the Thomas knew him. The bereaved has the sympathy of the entire commun-

Electricity was turned on the place vacated by Mr. Ferrell and line at Cheaney the 14th, so now we all are enjoying good lights

ed Monday night. A nice car but Obie and Garland Elrod are at

home from Sterling county for the

the 5th and was laid to rest at Elmer Smith and family are Desdemona cemetery. Laton was moving to the Browning farm va-



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tooth paste, Chinese che

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Dear Santa Claus: I'm a! girl six years old. I'm going chool at Kokomo. I am a goo tle girl. I help mother, Will please bring me a dolly with bottle, a wrist watch, some ing pencils, a little wagon ar teelphone. From Joan Br

Dear Santa Claus: I am years old and in the first g For Christmas I want a do some clothes for her. I want; story books to read. I want nuts, fruit and some candy. friend, Dixie Merl Shugart,

Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy five years old. Please me a big tricycle, a fire tru owboy suit, a ball and football, and candy and fru have been a real good boy th two weeks. Please don't forge poor little boys and girls. friend, Billy Eugene Young

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