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## Garner's Illness Will Prevent Leading Fight

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, April 30.—The condition of Representative John N. Garner, of Texas, minority leader, will prevent him from leading the Democrats when the tariff measure is brought before the House tomorrow.

The ranking Democrat on the ways and means committee, Congressman Garner has been confined to his bed since Friday with a severe attack of influenza.

## Awarding of City Hall Contract is Expected Today

The five low bids tabulated on construction of the city hall and fire station here Wednesday afternoon by Architect Paul G. Silber, of San Antonio, and the city commission were as follows: Suggs & Dunlap, Abilene, \$29,907.15; Balfanz Construction Co., Abilene, \$30,357.15; H. L. McBride, San Angelo, \$30,786.93; C. S. Oates & Son, Abilene, \$31,062.15; and Alex Yarnell, Ballinger, \$31,786.93.

A number of other bidders were present but their estimates were too high to be considered in the final tabulations. A total of 26 firms bid on different phases of the work.

The above prices are complete, electrical wiring and fixtures and plumbing being figured in.

The electric wiring and fixtures installation was awarded to the Ballinger Electric Company for \$977.15, and the plumbing to E. J. Carroll for \$1,789.

The commission had not officially accepted a bid for the general contract but as soon as the matter of working days could be settled was ready to say who would be given the job. The low bidder, Suggs & Dunlap, asked for 120 working days in which to complete the building while another of the five lowest bidders considered asked for 90 working days.

### "Hanley" Disqualifies Her

GRUNDY CENTER, Ia., Apr. 30.—(A)—Handkerchiefs have been officially declared here as a "stage accessory." A girl who won a declamation contest was disqualified under a rule which prohibits the use of "stage accessories" because she carried a handkerchief during her recitation.

### SOUTHWESTERN STUDENTS WILL STAGE BANQUET

Miss Faye Clarke, of this city has been named chairman here for the ex-students banquet of all Southwestern University students which will be held Saturday evening in the Hilton Hotel at San Angelo. Those desiring to attend must notify Miss Clark by Friday afternoon and get tickets which sell at \$1 each.

### HEREFORD BREEDERS TO MEET AT MASON SOON

(By Associated Press)  
MASON, Apr. 30.—An executive meeting of the Central Texas Hereford Breeders' Association will be held at Mason May 10. The association was formed here recently by about twenty breeders, who registered annually approximately 1,000 head of Hereford calves.

The purpose of the organization is to encourage Hereford breeding in Central Texas, to advertise the Hereford products here and to provide an outlet by public sale or otherwise for surplus breeding stock.

Officers of the new association are Roy Willoughby, Valley Spring, president; G. L. Gill, Whon, vice-president; Elgin O. Kothmann, Mason, secretary-treasurer; Ben Kidd of Mason and J. A. Laning of Llano, committeemen.

C. E. DeBruler of Hutchinson, Kas., possesses a patent to 40 acres of Indiana land issued by the government in 1837 and signed by Martin Van Buren.

Lampasas—The city council recently granted a franchise to the Consumers Gas Company, to furnish this city with natural gas by November 1st.

## May Have Cure for "Jake Paralysis"

(By Associated Press)  
KANSAS CITY, Apr. 30.—Treatment for metallic poisoning which proved effective in four cases here, today was hailed as a possible cure for "jake paralysis" suffered by hundreds of persons after partaking of Jamaica ginger as a beverage.

Use of sodium bisulphate in treating the paralytics resulted in the patients regaining use of their limbs. Three other victims here are improving greatly.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Jones have returned from Lubbock, where they visited over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stephenson.

## Sinton Cloudburst Destroys Crops

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, April 30.—Sinton and Taft bankers today estimated that seventy-five per cent of the growing crops, in San Patricio county were wiped out by the torrential rain and hail Monday night, which measured twelve inches in several places.

Travel on roads will be impossible for several days.

## Living Room Tour Starts from Here

Runnels county club women will gather in Ballinger Thursday morning for a trip over Runnels county to inspect living rooms recently judged in the contest. The women will be guests of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at a picnic breakfast on the court house lawn at 8:30, following which they will leave on the trip.

Husbands of the club women will be guests of the party this year and will also be included at the breakfast here Thursday morning. The club women are anxious for as large a gathering as possible and a number of representatives from 14 clubs are expected to be present. Forty-two women had already telephoned in Tuesday afternoon that they would make the trip and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth county home demonstration agent, was expecting many more to call Wednesday.

After breakfast the caravan will leave for the first home where more than an hour will be spent in inspecting the room.

Each one going on the trip will bring a well filled basket and at noon Thursday a picnic lunch will be spread on the banks of the Colorado River north of Miles. A considerable stop will be made here while the spread is enjoyed and following the serving of the meal, each club represented will stage a stunt as an entertainment feature. This has been a regular feature of the annual trip and the noon fiesta has proven very enjoyable.

Last year more than 120 women were present when the Colorado River was reached at noon. Many of the women did not come to Ballinger for the breakfast but joined the trippers later in the day.

Following the noon meal and entertainment the party will go to the home of Mrs. Bert Fletcher at Maverick, where her prize winning room will be inspected.

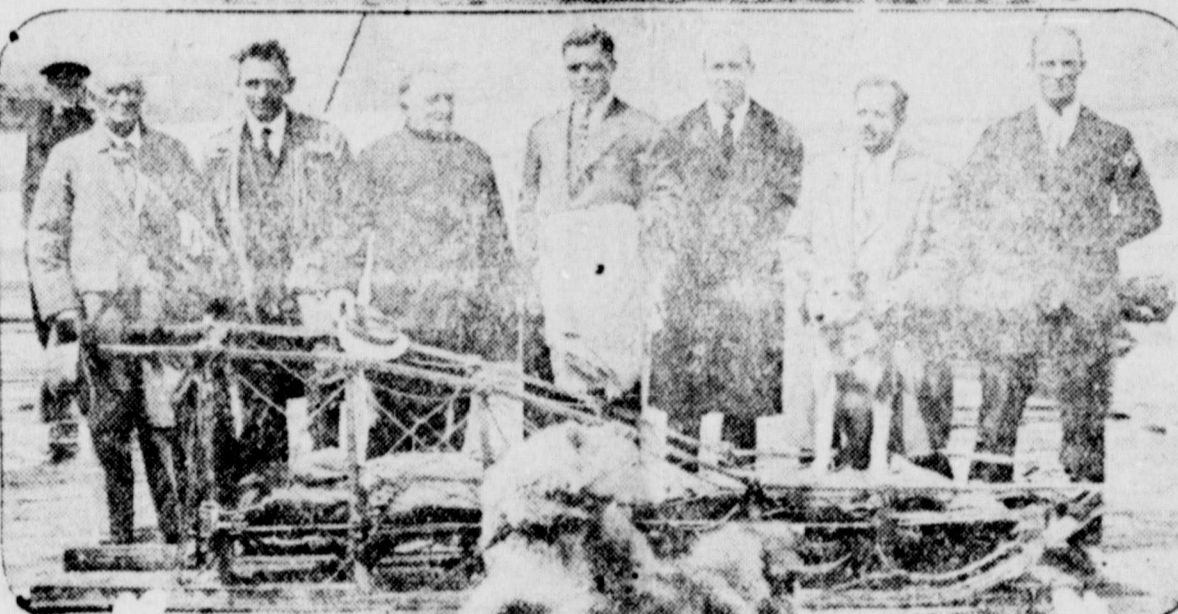
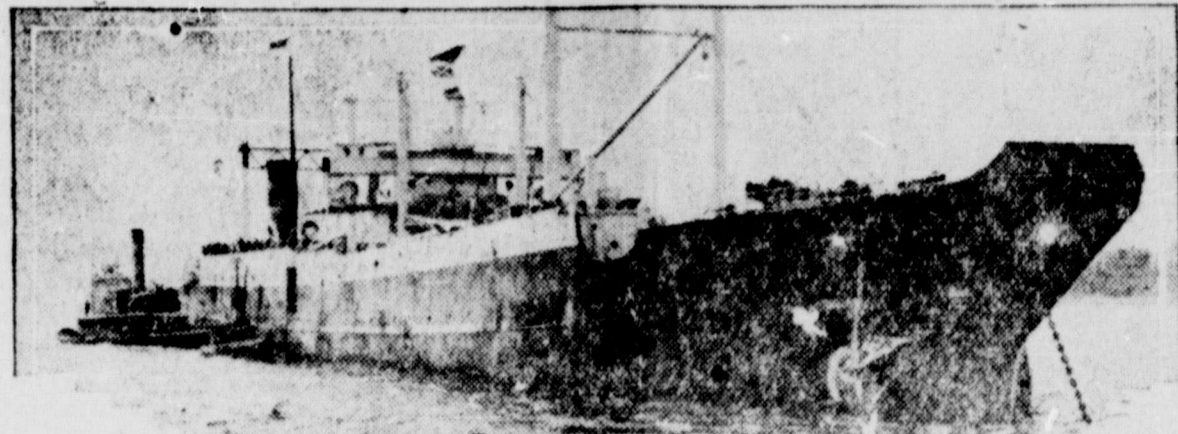
Anyone interested will be welcome on the trip but is asked to bring her noon lunch and have a stunt ready for the program. Husbands on the trip will be expected to take part in the fun and will be called upon to furnish their portion of the program.

### WEATHER REPORT

(By Associated Press)  
West Texas—Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday.  
East Texas—Mostly cloudy and unsettled; probably showers on the coast tonight and Thursday.

Be wise and advertise.

## FIRST SHIP OF BYRD EXPEDITION BACK IN NEW YORK



The whaler C. A. Larson, of the Byrd expedition, in New York harbor after its return from the Ross ice barrier. Shown below are members of the expedition who returned with the ship. They are, left to right: Arthur T. Walden, Dr. Valcoo Vojtech, Martin Ronne, Norman D. Vaughn, Walter Leitchner, Claire D. Alexander and Edward E. Goodale.

## Negress is Freed In Liquor Charge

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, April 30.—Louise Derman, negress, one of the three co-defendants with Sheriff H. W. Wyatt Collins, of Fort Bend county, in his liquor conspiracy trial, was freed by an instructed verdict, order by Federal Judge J. C. Hutcheson soon after the government and the defense rested finally today.

## Seed Crushers Elect President

(By Associated Press)  
CORPUS CHRISTI, Apr. 30.—W. L. Weber, of Taft, today was elected president of the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers Association. R. L. Montgomery, of Palestine, was chosen vice-president.

## Enumeration Ends; Lists are Mailed

The census in Ballinger was completed Wednesday afternoon and the two enumerators, Oliver Petty and Pat Tillery, made up their reports and sent them to Brownwood on the late afternoon train.

The count as it now stands will be final here and as soon as the two lists are checked by the Brownwood office, the population of Ballinger will be announced. The campaign staged by the local chamber of commerce and a number of citizens netted a large number of people who had been missed in the first canvass of the city.

Those who have worked with the enumerators for the past few days feel that a very careful check has been made and that practically every one has been seen. One canvasser in speaking of the check-up here, stated that it was almost impossible to list everyone but that he felt sure that less than a dozen had been missed.

The enumerators maintained headquarters at McCarver & Lynn's office all day Wednesday and a few who had been hard to find came there and gave the information required by the census bureau. Just what the increase here will be is hard to estimate at this time but all who have worked on the enumerations feel satisfied that the gain will be large.

Mrs. W. J. Halley returned Wednesday from Arlington and Cooper, where she had been visiting and attending the home-coming of the Eastern Star home at Arlington. She was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. J. I. Bailey, who will visit here for several weeks.

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## \$18,000 Pay Roll Taken by Bandits

(By Associated Press)  
GADSDEN, Ala., Apr. 30.—Four bandits held up the paymaster and two guards of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company near here today and escaped with the payroll which company officials announced amounted to \$18,000.

Traveling in two automobiles, the bandits crowded the automobile bearing Paymaster Burkstresser and the guards into the ditch. While the guards were held at bay with sawed-off shotguns the bandits took the payroll and escaped.

## Legge Criticizes Chamber's Attitude

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, April 30.—Chairman Alexander Legge, of the federal farm board, today challenged members of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in convention here, to join with him in setting up a private organization which would carry on the work now being done by the farm board.

Departing from the text of his prepared address in which he criticized sharply the attitude of the chamber towards the board, Legge asserted that the proposed organization would be free of government aid.

## 2 Wardens Killed; Fisherman Injured

(By Associated Press)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 30.—Two deputy game wardens were killed and a fisherman probably was fatally wounded in a gun fight today in the bay near here. The dead officers are Jack Burk and Alan Cury. Antone Anderson, fisherman, was wounded.

The shooting occurred shortly after daybreak when Anderson resisted efforts of the deputy wardens to board his fishing smack.

### PICNIC AT VALLEY CREEK NEAR WINGATE, FRIDAY

The Valley Creek school in Taylor county, near Wingate, has announced a public picnic for Friday, May 2nd. The occasion will last all day and a number of nearby schools have been invited to join in the celebration.

A basket picnic dinner will be served at noon and everyone is requested to bring lunches and join the big spread.

Candidates have a special invitation to attend and will be given opportunity to make an announcement relative to the offices they seek. Others will speak on matters of vital interest.

Following the speaking in the afternoon baseball games and other entertainment have been arranged.

## Club Women Adopt House Dress Contest

The County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met in the chamber of commerce rooms in Ballinger on April 19 with 31 members present, representing the following clubs: Miles, Rowena, Bethel, South Ballinger, Spring Hill, Hagan, Maverick, Norton, Victory, Hatchel, Runnels, North Norton, and Benoit.

By vote of the council a house dress—the cost of which is not to exceed two dollars—is to be our contest dress this year. The hemp rugs are to be used in our club booths at the Runnels County Fair.

Mr. Cooper, of the Winters C. of C., made a brief talk on the Live-at-Home Fair to be held at Winters, urging and inviting all communities to take part in this work.

Mrs. Hollingsworth discussed and made announcements concerning the living room tour to be made May 1.

Mrs. Tom Crockett, in behalf of the Bethel club, extended an invitation to all clubs of the county to hold an annual picnic with them on the first Thursday in June.

A new reporter was elected, due to the resignation of Mrs. L. K. Parr of Spring Hill.

The council adjourned to meet in Winters sometime in June. Reporter.

Forney—Construction of a 1,400 foot concrete bridge has been completed over the East Fork of the Trinity River three miles east of town, at a cost of \$115,000.

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### Quality Fives



QUALITY Fives are made to make good with men who usually pay from eight to ten dollars for their shoes. Comfortable and long lasting. All styles, with complete run of sizes and widths—\$5.

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## Prisoners are Placed in Barbed Wire Stockade

## Two Men Burned In Oil Explosion

(By Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, Apr. 30.—Two men were burned alive in oil today in an explosion at a refinery here. Four other employees escaped unhurt, dragging with them a fifth man who is not expected to survive.

James Fleming, foreman of the exploding still, and Walter Kitch, 22, were the victims.

Damage is estimated at \$160,000.

## Two Round-Ups Held this Week

The summer round-up at North Norton last Monday was rained out and only a few of the pre-school children were able to be present. A date will be set for this meeting a little later when it can be included on the schedule.

A number of children were examined at Hatchel, Tuesday but due to high water on Elm Creek several could not attend on this day and another date will be set to complete the work at this place.

Graduation exercises will be held at the Hatchel school next Friday night at which time members of the junior health club will be given their certificate. These will be presented by County Judge Paul Trimmer.

From now until the last of the county schools close, summer round-up campaigns will be held weekly. It is the plan of the public nursing committee to visit as many of the schools as possible before commencement, however, a few round-ups will have to be held during the vacation period.

Mrs. C. L. Mohr has returned to her home at Junction, after a visit here with her mother, Mrs. Mary B. Sharp.

Victoria—A contract has been let for a section of highway No. 29 in this county.

### EXPERT BUDDING

Have the best varieties of fruits and pecan stock budded on your growing trees. Work guaranteed. Phone 441 263 8th St.

## PALACE THEATRE

## CHASING RAINBOWS

What a story, what smash songs, drama, girls, glamour! This one has everything!

The whole world's humming "Lucky Me, Lovable You," "Happy Days," "Everybody Tap" and "Love Ain't Nuthin' but the Blues."



Talking Comedy Admission

(By Associated Press)  
COLUMBUS, O., Apr. 30.—A barbed wire stockade within the walls of the Ohio state penitentiary here where mutinous convicts will be confined while the damaged cell blocks are repaired, was completed today and transfer of 400 prisoners to the enclosure will be made immediately.

Ohio national guardsmen ruled the prison with an iron hand after the attempted break for liberty yesterday when the convicts were repulsed with shots that wounded two.

During the night Jimmie Gordon, Edgar Barr, and Charles Hanovich with three fellow prisoners were beaten badly with pieces of pipe. Hanovich is in a serious condition.

## Test Suit Brought On Gasoline Tax

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, Apr. 30.—The right of private corporations to import gasoline from another state to avoid payment of the four-cent gasoline tax levied by Texas will be tested in a suit brought by the state against the Wichita Traction Company, of Wichita Falls, Assistant Attorney General Rice Tilly said today.

It is alleged that the company shipped gasoline from Oklahoma to Wichita Falls for use in motor-propelled buses and street cars not running on tracks.

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## FOR Mother's Day We Have Ladies' Purses Stationery Candy

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We take your order, deliver or mail it for you and pay the postage.

## J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

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### Family Blames Hard Luck on "Ol' Man River"

(By Associated Press)  
TEXARKANA, Apr. 30.—"Ol' Man River!"

Nothing but hard luck flows down the stream for me," muses O. K. Cox, 77-year-old Arkansas farmer, as he shakes his snowy locks and recites his story of tragedies—without a parallel in this section of the Southwest.

But the river is only the setting for the troubles of the Cox family—liquor is the real cause," declare federal authorities.

But tragedies there are, none will deny. The latest came a few days ago when a daughter, Mrs. Ruby Farris was ground to death beneath a train near Red River bridge. A brief while ago, her husband was shot to death during a raid on a still. Her oldest daughter, Mrs. Eunice Smith, 18, one of the five children, recently was hopelessly crippled in an automobile accident near the river. Mrs. Smith's husband was killed by a train only a few months ago. Mrs. Maggie Parsons, another daughter of Cox and a sister of Mrs. Farris, is serving a federal sentence for bootlegging, imposed shortly after she was deserted by her husband. Mrs. Smith is awaiting trial in May on a bootlegging charge, and Mrs. Farris was awaiting sentence at the time of her death. And Cox, with five of Mrs. Farris' children and three of Mrs. Parsons' to care for, himself is awaiting sentence in May on charges of bootlegging.

In placing blame for his misfortunes on the muddy waters of Red River, Cox declares the river forced him and his daughters to take up bootlegging after everything they owned had been destroyed by floods in 1927. Fearing a repetition of the 1927 disaster, Cox and his daughters moved near Fulton and rented a farm that was protected by levees.

But misfortune struck soon. Federal prohibition officers found a still in the woods near Fulton and laid in wait for the operators. When the men appeared and the raiders rushed them, a gun battle ensued and Jake Farris, husband of a daughter, was shot to death.

Meanwhile Eunice, 18-year-old daughter of Mrs. Farris, had been married. Tragedy struck her next. Trainmen declared that Smith, her husband, was sitting on the track as the train swept around the curve at the Fulton bridge crossing of Red River. A bottle that had contained whisky was found beside him. But other accounts of the affair differed. Neighbors said Smith and his young wife had quarreled. "When you hear that freight train stop," he is said to have told her, "I'll be under it." They heard the train whistle madly. They heard the engine stop. And they found the mangled body underneath.

And then work was started on the million dollar highway bridge across the river at Fulton—in the immediate vicinity of the Cox home. Prohibition agents charge the family capitalized its nearness to the scene and corrupted the construction gangs by selling them liquor. Cox and his daughters declare that a representative of the workmen came to them and induced them to handle the stuff as a "favor" to the "boys."

Anyway, the liquor was handled, and the father, his two daughters,

and the granddaughter, Mrs. Smith, were all involved, according to their confessions.

The day before her death, Mrs. Farris came to Texarkana to discuss her case with her attorney, but he was busy at the time and talked to her only a few minutes. Had he had more time, he would have told her that he had strong hopes of obtaining a parole for her when she came up for sentence on May 15. She did not appear despondent, the attorney says.

However, no one knows what thoughts were in her mind as she walked along the railroad near Fulton bridge the following day. Her companion, Wilton Purtle, had fallen slightly behind. He heard a freight train approaching. Mrs. Farris walked on as he tried to scream a warning of the impending danger. Purtle dashed to her rescue, but just as he grabbed her arm, the train struck her. Purtle was thrown down the embankment and Mrs. Farris was killed instantly.

And now Cox, with five orphaned grandchildren—one helpless—and three others whose mother is in jail, to care for, is waiting for the federal court to pass sentence on him May 15, and for "Ol' Man River" to bring some more hard luck down stream.

### SECRET PLANE DESIGNED FOR RISING VERTICALLY

(By Associated Press)  
FARNBOROUGH, Eng., Apr. 30.—A new mystery airplane, which seeks to solve the problem of vertical flight, is to be tested soon at the air ministry's experimental station here.

The machine, which has been built with great secrecy for the ministry at Cowes, is called a helicopter. It has an ordinary airplane body with an engine on the nose for forward drive.

Mounted above the body are four movable wings which are rotated by small propellers run by engines on the front edges of the wings.

It is hoped that the rotating wings will lift the machine vertically and enable it to remain stationary in mid-air.

Chicago spent more than \$1,000,000 in removing the record-breaking snowfall—19 inches—of March 25 and 26.

### 'Deadwood Dick,' Last of Fighting Frontiersmen, Nearing Trail's End



"Deadwood Dick" (left) is nearing the end of the trail at 83. He is the last of the picturesque frontier characters such as "Poker Alice" Tubbs (lower right), "Wild Bill" Hickok (upper right) and "Calamity Jane" (top center).

By Vincent Hoyman  
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

DEADWOOD, S. D., Apr. 30.—In this modernized Black Hills gold mining town, where deserted dance halls and saloons still interest tourists, the last of a picturesque procession of plainsmen is nearing the end of the trail.

He is "Deadwood Dick," Indian fighter, trader, pony express rider and scout for General George A. Custer, weakened by a lung ailment and 83 years of strenuous life.

Death this year of "Poker Alice" Tubbs, left Deadwood Dick the lone survivor of the better known Black Hills pioneers, whose exploits gave reality to wild west novels.

Most of the men and women who lived the stories that are told today died "with their boots on."

Wild Bill Hickok was shot in the back of the head by Jack McCall in a Deadwood gambling house. Preacher Smith was killed by Indians. Johnny Slaughter,

famous stage driver was slain who was Martha Jane Canary, defending a gold shipment from Legend painted for her a questionable reputation but friends

"Poker Alice," graduate of a lauded her. She gained the select Southern girls' school, who nickname in 1876 when mountain attained a distinction as a poker fever broke out in General Cook's and faro dealer in the gold camp near Rapid City. Grateful camps, was the best known woman for her nursing, soldiers called man character of the early Black Hills days.

Another was "Calamity Jane." Be wise and advertise.

### Family doctor's laxative instead of harsh purges; trial bottle Free

Dr. Caldwell's prescription cannot form the cathartic habit. It can be given to the child whose tongue is coated, or whose breath is fetid, or has a little fever. Or to the older people whose bowels are clogged. Its ingredients stimulate muscular action and thus aid the bowels to more normal functioning. The pure senna and laxative herbs in Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin are good for the system. Don't hesitate to use when there's biliousness, headaches, or any sign of constipation. Your druggist has this world-famous prescription ready in big bottles. Or, write Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, Monticello, Ill., and a free trial bottle will be sent to you, postpaid.



**CAROLINA BULB INDUSTRY STIMULATED BY HOLLANDER**  
(By Associated Press)  
TERRA CEIA, N. C., Apr. 30.—Four years ago H. Van Dorp, unable to speak English, came to North Carolina from Holland. Now he is one of the state's most successful growers of flower bulbs, especially tulips. Thousands of visitors come to his farm each spring, when 300,000 flowers bloom at the same time. Besides tulips, he raises jonquils, gladioli, yellow and purple iris. February sales of bulbs at the fair in Kentucky totalled \$2,434,791 pounds.

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Ballinger State Bank

### Students Pouring Into Austin Today For League Meet

(By Associated Press)  
 AUSTIN, Apr. 30.—The vanguard of the 3,000 public school students scheduled to participate in the 20th annual tournament of the Texas Interscholastic League arrived in Austin today with hundreds more expected tomorrow for the opening events. The tournament preliminaries will be held tomorrow and Friday with the finals Saturday.

The pick of the public school enrollment of the state has been entered in the tournament which climaxes the county, district and regional meets of the Interscholastic League. The league is the largest organization of its kind in the world, having a membership of more than 5,500 schools and units in practically every county of the state.

Nearly every subject in the public school curriculum, both academic and athletic, will be covered in the state tournament.

The track and field meet was expected to attract the greatest attention with entries from more than half the schools in the state. More than 1,200 entries were anticipated in this event.

That many of the former state records will be tied or broken has been indicated in the district and regional tournaments in which a number of the old marks were bettered. The official records of the league, however, are established only at the state tournament.

Besides the track and field meet the program includes the following events: Boys' and girls' tennis singles, doubles and mixed doubles; Boys' and girls' debating; boys' and girls' declamation contests; extemporaneous speaking; press conference; three-R, typewriting and art contests and a one-act play elimination tournament.

Arrangements for the tournament have been made by Roy Bedchek, director of the Interscholastic League bureau. Professors of the University of Texas will act as judges of the various academic events while athletic officials of the university will have charge of the track meet.

#### RABBITS HIT TRAIL; FUR-BEARERS SUFFER

(By Associated Press)  
 SEWARD, Alaska, Apr. 30.—Migration of rabbits from the Alaska railroad district to regions to the westward has been given as the cause of the scarcity of fur-bearing animals along the road this year.

The animals are the natural food of a greater portion of the fur-bearers.

### Hollywood Sights & Sounds

By Robbin Coons  
 HOLLYWOOD, April 30.—(AP)—A few tips for the aspiring "popular song" writer, from Nathaniel Finston, head of a studio's song department.

First of all, there's no such thing as a sure-fire hit, until it's tried—for only the fickle public can make a sure-fire hit. What sounds great on your piano may be a dud on the market, and what you honestly know is a dud may become meat to your radio.

Timeliness plays a great part in getting a song "over." "Happy Days" is a reigning hit because it broke through the dark gloom of the recent stock market fiasco and satisfied a public need for optimism—even when there wasn't cause for much joy.

Business men, housewives, all America wanted to believe that "happy days are here again!"

#### Racing Time

And remember the seasons. In winter anticipate "birdies that sing in sunny spring." In spring jot down the immortal thought that "love sings a tune 'neath the big June moon." But in June forget that moon and rhyme the harvest one with "fireside croon"—and work in a pumpkin pie or two if you can.

And when the leaves begin to brown, and the frost is on the town, indite something like "sweet December bride, with you by my side, the snow doesn't matter, let rain pitter-patter, for it's sunny as spring in my heart!"

For men look forward rather than backward, and besides, it takes two or three months to plug your song properly, anyway.

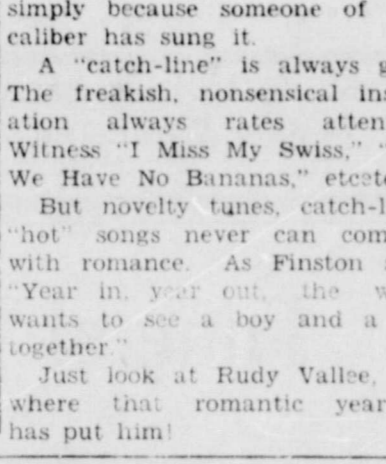
#### Which Isn't So Easy

If you can get some celebrity to plug your tune, preferably in a picture, it'll probably succeed. Any song Maurice Chevalier, Fannie Brice, Helen Kane, Al Jolson or their like sings has better than the average chance of scoring, simply because someone of that caliber has sung it.

A "catch-line" is always good. The freakish, nonsensical inspiration always rates attention. Witness "I Miss My Swiss," "Yes, We Have No Bananas," etcetera.

But novelty tunes, catch-lines, "hot" songs never can compete with romance. As Finston says, "Year in, year out, the world wants to see a boy and a girl together."

Just look at Rudy Vallee, and where that romantic yearning has put him!



MAURICE CHEVALIER

### Gypsy Fire Rules Violin Of Girl Leader-Soloist



Edith Lorand, Hungarian young woman, who acts both as conductor and soloist for her concert orchestra in Berlin.

(By Associated Press)  
 BERLIN, Apr. 30.—If Johann Strauss, the waltz king, were to come to life again, he would find a female rival in Edith Lorand, Hungarian violinist.

Edith Lorand has set the tongues of the German musical world wagging by emulating Strauss in two ways, acting both as conductor and solo violinist for her orchestra, and devoting her entire program to classical and modern dance music.

It is unusual for Germany to see a beautiful, slim young woman in a richly embroidered white Hungarian costume mount the conductor's stand and face an orchestra of men in somber black evening dress.

There have been occasional women conductors here before—Ethel Leginska of London five years ago; Antonio Brico of Berkeley, California, this winter. But they insisted on wearing black dresses. Edith Lorand believes in bright colors.

No female conductor, moreover, has hitherto attempted to be both conductor and soloist.

Edith Lorand mounts the stand with her priceless Guarnerius del Gesu violin, conducts with her bow till the solo part sets in, and then turns to the audience as Strauss used to do, the violin's rich, impassioned tones soaring above those of an orchestra which she has drilled to subordinate itself absolutely to her leadership.

She reminds one not only of

#### Show Customer's Value to Store

WASHINGTON, Apr. 30.—(AP)—The average value of a customer on the books of a clothing store is from \$85 to \$150 a year, department of commerce figures show.

### Amusements

"Chasing Rainbows" at Palace  
 Tuneful Romance  
 With a cast of all-star players headed by Charles King and Bessie Love, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's new all-talking offering, "Chasing Rainbows," opened a two-day run at the Palace Theatre this afternoon. It is a glamorous and tuneful romance of life backstage.

Charles F. ("Chuck") Riesner, who directed "The Hollywood Revue of 1929," filled a similar post in the filming of this stirring picturization of the joys and sorrows that are seen only behind the curtains.

Jack Benny, who plays his first straight role, is splendid as the stage manager who acts as cupid in the romance between King and Miss Love, although secretly loving her himself.

The picture is abounding in melody and mirth with dazzling stage spectacles, screened in technicolor, lending a kaleidoscopic background to the swift action of the plot. King sings three of the five song hits in the show, and Miss Love, in a whirlwind tap dance routine, is featured in a dancing ensemble of breath-taking beauty and movement.

Sammy Lee, who staged the dances for the "Hollywood Revue," worked out the stage ensembles with superb skill and understanding.

Marie Dressler and Polly Moran are hilariously teamed in the new picture and the supporting cast includes Gwen Lee, George K. Arthur, Nita Martan, Eddie Phillips and Youcca Toubetskoy.

Bess Meredith wrote the original story, which Wells Root adapted for the screen.

Russia to Produce More Oil  
 NEW YORK, April 30.—(AP)—report to the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers estimates that in the year 1932-33 Russian petroleum production will double that of 1929 and will be about 187,000,000 barrels.

route to San Angelo.  
 John Walden was a business visitor to San Angelo Tuesday.  
 "REPORTER."

WILMETH NEWS

Drue Harkins has gone to Temple for treatment. He has had an operation and seems to be doing nicely.

Mr. Badgett, Mr. Moreland, Mr. Harwood and their families went fishing this week.

We have had quite a rain here this week—three rains in fact—and all of the people are greatly encouraged.

Mr. Steel filled his pulpit as usual Sunday.  
 "REPORTER."

Italy imported more automobiles in 1929 than the previous year, principally from the United States, while exports of Italian cars suffered a further drop.

John Walden and Dyke Snyder spent Wednesday and Thursday of this week on the Concho River, near Miles, fishing.

Mrs. J. C. Jagers and babies, of Blackwell, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Gill, Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Little called at the John Walden home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. D. I. Gill and daughter, of Blackwell motored to San Angelo Saturday evening.

A fine rain fell here Monday afternoon for several hours, giving this section a thorough soaking, the first in several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Oreon Keese and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Keese, of Bronte, were in town a short while Monday while en

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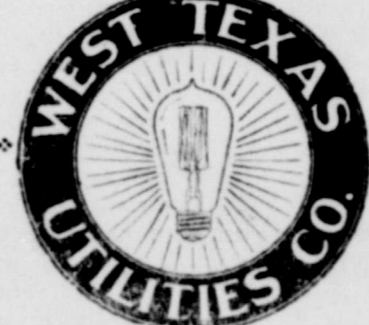
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