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WITH TEXAS

HOOVER URGES CONGRESS
TO FACIITATE ECONOMIC
REGOVERY OF COUNTRY


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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO
DEATH CLAIMS JIM WLLLIAMSON
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## BY 272 TO 14 <br> BILL DEFEATED BY $272 T 014$

Short Session; But Leaders
Plan Immediate Attack onVolstead Law
PRE-HOLIDAY
TRADE DAYS
Sumners,
Buchan-CARNER's PROPOSAL,
The text of the Garner prohibition
repeal resolution follows:
"Joint resolution proposing amend-
ment to the constitution to repeal the
cighteenth amendment.
representatives of the United
States of America in tongres
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$\qquad$Nother of Merkel's Fine Young
Mer, Age Only 30, Passes Af- $\begin{gathered}\text { Heart Attack Overcomes Prom- } \\ \text { nent Farmer While Driving }\end{gathered}$
Plans were formulated Wed-
nesday by a group of repres-Chnaive business men gatertor desesmantion of t two or threedasys just preceding Christmasas spexial "Tradee.i. Mererele"prizes given.
Details of the Merkel tradedays were left in the hands ofHamm, as chairman Othermembers of the committee are
P. P. Dickinson and John R.Total 2,003 Bales

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Record of Births.

## BRUCE BARTON <br> $\cdots$ writes of "THE ${ }^{133}$ MASTER EXECUTIVE"

THE SOCIABLE MAN.

| State Championship <br> Narrows to 8 Te <br> Results of the quarter-finals week's play of the Intersch league were as follows: <br> Amarillo 7, Ranger 0. <br> Greenville 13, Athens 6. <br> Masonic Home 40, Woodrow <br> Dallas, 7. <br> Corsicana 13, Breckenridge, <br> Antonio, 0. <br> Corpus Christi 60, Harlingen <br> Sweetwater 13, Austin, El P <br> Sherman 14, Vernon 7. <br> John Reagan, Houston, 32, <br> Contests scheduled for this follow: <br> friday. <br> Greenville at Corsicana. <br> John Reagan at Corpus Chr Sweetwater at Amaril Sweetwater at Amarillo. |
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| PERSONALS |  |
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| ting her daughter, Mrs, F. A. Polley Coach Briggs Invin is confined to |  |
| "flu" Lancaster has been missed from |  |
| businesg circles this week, having sur.rendered to old man flu.' | kidness, and help during the illneess |
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| R. A. Ford, who has been visiting |  |
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| Thursday for Kelso, Wash. |  |
| B. C. Gaither is spending sometime with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr |  |
| and Mrs. Rex Dillard, at Tuscola Miss Bonnie Wilhelm and Homer |  |
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| Laney, both of Bronco, Texas, were week-end guests in the W. H. Laney home. |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dcuglass has returned home much } \\ & \text { improved. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| Byers' Petty and A. E. Dean have |  |
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| both been kept away from the Petty and West Barber Shop this week on account of the "flu." |  |
| account of the "flu", Mrs. A. B. Patterson and son, By- |  |
| ron Patterson, left Monday for Henderson to spend several days with her | The United States is now free of |
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| E. E. Beech. |  |
| noted J. Olin Lusby, local manager |  |
| This abenee, Miss Doris Durham |  |
|  | - telephone the |
| is asisting with the office work.Mro and Mr. S. M. Hunter and twochildren. Wanda and Marvin spent |  |
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| the week_end in Dallas visiting their |  |
|  | Hunter, who are now finishing their |  |
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| course at the Bradford Memo |  |
| Little Frazces Williams has just re turned from Dallas where she has |  |
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ented in my talk over the radio from ented in my talk over the radio from
Chicago relative to winning the
"Grand Champion Steer." In answer
to the question about where the steer


 er WLS, Chicago, I gave a several minutes talk telling that the steer was
bred by Mr. Frank Mayberry of McCauley, Texas, and that he had been champion club steer at Lubbock last
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ar date, also stated the kind of feed er date, also stated the kind of feed
that he had been fed and how he was
prepared for the show ring. Typewriting and carbon paper at

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IRST INSTA
It was with those words ringing wedding morning to find the on he pouring in at her window.
strange that the one thought in he mind on this day of all days should be of those words in Barbara Stark's let ter which had arrived late last night
Barbara was Pauline's best friend for reasons that both of them would
have found difficult to explain. The two girls were as unlike as it is pos-
sible to be, for while Pauline wa young, unspoiled, and full of the joy inese, with a touching belief in ha seemed to have run through more ex
periences and emotions than many periences and emotions than many
woman double her age. She had bee fully, so people said, had died soo and at the moment was getting herelf talked about everywhere by her wild extravagance and because of

## narried man.

## But in spite of

The chief trouble was that Denni tid not approve of Barbara, and many
times during her engagement Pa imes during her engagement Pa
line's heart had been torn becaus
of her love for her friend, and her love for the man she was to marry
and her desire to do as she wished. Many times she had treid to ex plain to Dennis her friendship
Barbara, and had always been con "I know people don't like her," sh
defended Barbara loyally, "but that' defended Barbara loyally, "but that's "Her own fault," Dennis broke in
gruffly, but this Pauline would not allow.
Pauline never really knew whethe She was always charming when he would allow her to be, and
yet last night, in the letter that ac companied a most beautiful gift, she
had said things about marriage which had so impressed Pauline that she woke on her wedding morning wit
some of the words ringing in he
ears. don't expect too much from your husband as
experience will tell you that love
doesnt't last. Romance will wear thin. doesn't last. Romance will wear thin of the same woman. When you'v been married a few years you'll be
lucky if you're still good friends. Don't think I am saying these things to hurt you. I'm saying them because I want
you to be happy, and you can only be happy after you're married by no
expecting too much. Let him be quite expecting too much. Let him be quit
free, too-don't try to chain him t free, too-don't try to chain him to
you all the time-that's a sure way

## a kill love. . .

Those were the words that haunted her as she sat up in bed, her fair hair
rumpled childishly, her blue eyes blinking in the sunshine. The presen Barbara had sent her was standing
It was a small carved statuette in
It
ivory and silver, of beating his hand in yain against ong word "Denied."
It seemed a funny sort of wedding
present to send anyone thought, oven while she realized it Dennis he had laughed.
"We'll put it in the cynic," he said that she'll be able to spare room, so much as she likes when she comes stay-I suppose she will come-"
"Of course she Simered quickly, but she had not told burned it
$\rightarrow$ Of course, that had been Barbara's
awn experience. Pauline was not clear
as to the facts of her friend's mar riage-she had never asked about it
-and Barbara never spoke of her and Barbara never spoke of her
husband. That he had made good provision for her was common knowledge, that he was somewhere abroad was a vaguely accepted fact, and that fault but one of those "arranged" at fairs was agreed by the charitable hetic. Sometines the far-away lone-
 dressed beautifully, and yet the
drean
strange strange quality of mother love in trouble could there be? Why did ev
Pauline's affection for her told Pau- eryone insist that her
年 line that in reality she was not a hap. y woman.



THME COUNTS

Insist on gevinine Buper Aspirini Take a tablet of Byerer Aspinh

 yesterday she had almost covered
sheet of notepaper with his name an O'Hara. joined together-Pauling
There was a tap at the her mother came in.
"I've brought your tea myself this morning, darling. It's a lovely day-
so warm and sunny. Did you sleep woll? Warm and sunny. Did you slee
"Beautifully." But Pauline's hear "Beautifully." But Pauline's hear membered it was the last time she
would sleep here quite as herself. would sleep here quite as herself.
II hope the sun will shine for you your life," her mother said as she
kissed her. "There is an old saying Keep your face to the sunshine and Then being tea and get dressed. Then being a sensible mother, she
went quickly away, before Pauline saw went quickly away, before Pauline saw
the tears in her eyes.
Pauline drank her tea, bathed, and Pauline drank her tea, bathed, and
dressed. There were a lot of people staying in the house cousins, aunts, ren who were to be bridesmaids--the

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Messed, darling.
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 the beginning of the end. A
life will be quite never really belong to yourself
more or be free to do as you like more or be free to do as you like."
With an effort she pulled herself to gether. What nonsense! When she
was marrying a man she loved with was marrying a man she loved with
her whole heart and was going to a
happiness far greater than any she happiness far greater than any she
had ever known. She hummed a
she ran upstairs to her room. She was
athe door when someone came up the
stairs behind her two at
Peter Johnson-a very favourite cou-
in, who would have liked to be
sin, who would have liked to be some-
thing nearer and dearer-called her

## "Pauline!"

He joined ther rather breathealy This has just come. I thought you'd like to
small parcel.
"Thank you."
"Thank you." Pauline was turn "I just want to wish you the luck-alawys-and huppiness
heaps of it." She tried gently to $r$
lease her hand, but he held it fast.
"I'll always be the same, Pauline

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for yourself," There was a little silence, then Pau.
ine drew a hard breath like a sigb. ne drew a hard breath like a sigb, looked sad. asked Pauline broke in ruthlessly. "Did "I wonder why," she said slowly.
(Continued Next Week.)
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| MERKEL PEP SQUAD HONORS FOOTBALL BOYS | hands before he expenses." |
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| On Friday evening, December second, the Merkel Pep Squad honored | EE CLUB. |
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| the bootball team with a banquet. After the members had found their | one two. I'm sure the Senior |
| places, the invócation was given by the president of the board of trustees, | knows about us because their |
| The members were | make so much noise that Mr. Burg |
| it cocktail, a turk | asked us to quit the other da |
| nu and cherry pie a la mode. | soon everyone will hear fron |
| Imogene Middleton, pep leader, was astmistress. | we have worked up a quartet and a good chorus for a special Christma |
| An octette of pep girls gave the | program. Just be patient. |
| theme song "Pep." Mrs. Haynes favored the members with a reading. Bet- | SHANNON T $\overline{O P I L O T}$ BADGERS |
| Grimes sang the "All American | OF'1933. |
| rl" and "Betty Co-ed." While Mis | I Shannon, right end for the |
| st song | B |
| were lighted. |  |
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C. T. Beckham.

| Jack Frost is at home in Abilene confined to his bed. J. M. McKinzie |  | ng. |
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| of Sweetwater is assisting Mr. Scott in the store in his absence. | nd | RURAL SOCIETY |

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