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Women and Romance

Somehow the notion got around that the gals of all ages were suckers for romance stories in any form. Movies and the radio took the hint, started blazing away with celluloid and air-wave love potions.

And now, it seems, someone has been getting the women all wrong. Romance, they feel, is a useful commodity in its place. But the gals don't feel like spending the better part of their youthful or declining years moping over love-thrillers. Six hundred members of women's organizations in Westchester county, N. Y., have appealed to radio companies to bring them more homemaking programs. And out in Hollywood, studios are complying with fan demands from gals of all ages to cut out the romance in western films.

The newspapers long ago realized that women are a serious lot when it comes to matters of the home. That's why newspapers carry recipes, household hints and fashion discussions aimed especially at its feminine readers.

A California driver was arrested and charged with driving while mope. Maybe he didn't want to get his clothes dirty in case he had to change a tire.

Sheep herding is now being done by automobile. Sheep are gradually getting used to following a spluttering exhaust pipe.

A high school girl won a trophy by punting 41 yards, and her male competitors couldn't even kick about it.

An Illinois thief stole a handful of razors from a barber shop. We wish him luck in getting rid of them.

The Town Quack



business Monday, said when he paid his bet on the Wink-Midland football game to a local business man, he marked, down where the check says "for," that it was for "being a d--n fool."

Stuart Long, the weekly newspaper magnate over at Kermit, bought a half interest in the Goldsmith Tribune this week, adding another county to his domain. He now operates weekly papers in Winkler, Ward, Crane and Ector counties. Tom Studdert, brother of Midland's W. W. Studdert, who recently came to West Texas from North Carolina newspaper work, has joined up with Long and is making a hand.

If you've noticed, The Reporter-Telegram for the last week has had as its main headline the same story which the state papers coming to Midland have had the following morning. An afternoon paper, for the home town, is hard to beat.

Does anyone have a copy of the editorial printed several years ago in the New York Sun, and reprinted by papers everywhere, about the answer to a little girl's question, "Is There a Santa Claus?" If so, would you lend it to us. We have printed the editorial some time or other but don't seem to find that copy.

An example of good sportsmanship is being shown by students of Oklahoma University. Not so long ago they were battling their Big Six rival, Missouri University, on the gridiron. But now that Missouri is to play Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl and lacks the \$2,500 needed to take the college band along, O. U. students are raising funds to help their rivals take along the band. The fund was started by the editor of the college daily newspaper.

Midland should feel the same way toward Sweetwater in her fight for state schoolboy championship. The farther Sweetwater goes, the better district 3-AA is proved to be. And the better 3-AA is, the better the runner-up team, Midland, is in comparison to other grid teams of the state.

A Winkler county man, here on

Liquor Often Thwarts Those Trying Suicide

BOSTON, (U.P.)—Persons who attempt suicide while drunk don't have as much success as those who try to take their own lives while sober.

Dr. Merrill Moore, a psychiatrist, reports that at one hospital only 5 per cent of alcoholic would-be suicides died. During the same period 11 per cent of the persons attempting suicide while sober were successful.

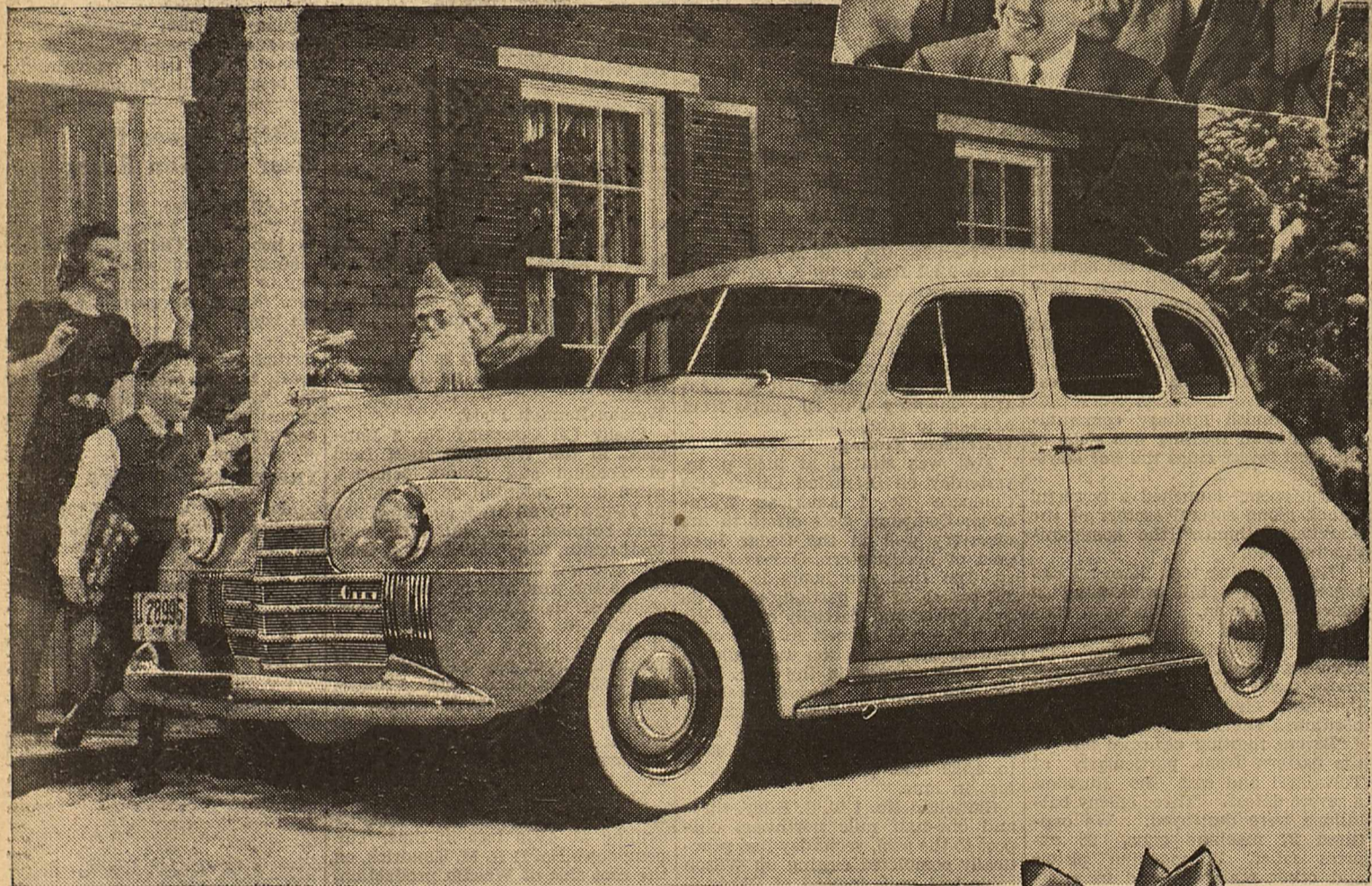
American Artist Quits Paris After 30 Years

CLEVELAND, O. (U.P.)—Abel G. Warshawsky, Cleveland artist, who for 30 years was a resident of Paris, like Louis Bromfield, Ohio novelist, has come home to stay.

"The older I get," he said, "the more American I become. Europe is old and sick and tired. Even the young people are old. Europe is an unhealthful place to live."

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We will leave some potato peelings on the steps for your reindeer and another "samich" and some milk on the coffee table for you. Hope you have time drink your milk this time.
I love you,
Jerelen Jowell.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a baby doll for Christmas. Please Santa I would like some clothes for her too, and some real baby diapers.
Barbara Ann Ellis.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you. I am going to tell you what I want. I want a pair of roller skates and a betsy wetsy doll, and a bone for my dog and a rabbit collar.
Lots of love,
Martha Ann Barsh.

Santa to Stop at Old Tascosa Once Again

TASCOSA (AP)—Santa Claus will stop at Tascosa this Christmas for the first time in years. Sixteen boys living at Boys Ranch in the old frontier boom town will spend Christmas in their new home. Santa will visit at least to the extent of \$105. Persons living in the vicinity of the old town held an old-fashioned pie supper. They and several Amarillo residents purchased \$105 worth of pies and turned the funds over to the ranch for Christmas money.

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Twentieth Century Study Club Holds Christmas Party

With Mrs. John Redfern presenting two numbers as the entertainment program for the afternoon, Mrs. William Osburn and Mrs. Redfern were cohostesses for the Christmas party of the Twentieth Century Study club at the Osburn home, 809 W. Louisiana, Tuesday afternoon.

"The Gift of the Magi," O. Henry's Christmas classic, was read by Mrs. Redfern. A second clever reading answered the age-old question, "Is There a Santa Claus?"

A holiday atmosphere reigned in the party rooms where a lighted Christmas tree was the focus of attention. White candles in red glasses were ranged on the mantel.

Gifts were exchanged by members and the club presented Mrs. L. L. Payne, president who is resigning because she is moving away, with a farewell gift and with a corsage.

During the business session, the club voted to buy new toys to be placed in Christmas baskets sent out by the club to needy families.

Mrs. M. L. Weatherall was appointed chairman of the committee in charge of this, to be assisted by Mrs. R. P. Simpson and Mrs. S. M. Erskine.

At tea time Mrs. Ross Carr presided at the punch bowl serving red punch with green cherries and white frosted cakes bearing wee candles, as a further recognition of the Christmas season.

Present were: Mmes. Carr, A. M. East, S. M. Erskine, W. C. Fritz, Oliver Haag, Joseph Mims, Payne, Gene Reischman, Ed Reichardt, R. P. Simpson, C. T. Vicello, M. L. Weatherall, A. M. McClure, Harold Voigt, and the hostesses.

Christmas decorations brought the holiday season to mind when members of the Wesley Bible class met for a social and business session at the home of Mrs. Mary S. Ray, 401 N. Loraine, Tuesday afternoon.

Names were drawn and gifts exchanged. Mrs. S. H. Gwyn brought the devotional for the day. Mrs. L. C. Stephenson presented a reading. Seventeen women were present.

Parts on Program For Christmas Are Assigned G. A.'s

Parts on the Christmas program were assigned to G. A. members at the meeting of the organization at the First Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Christmas carols were sung and the G. A. manual was studied.

Some of the girls gave their Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

The meeting closed with prayer. Present were: Anita Tindle, Faye King, Thelma Jo Brown, Jean Ann Preskitt, Pauline Wingo, Jimmie Jean Hensley, and the sponsor, Mrs. Flake Young.

All girls of intermediate age are cordially invited to attend the

Horn of Plenty Marks Decorations For Dinner Party

Altruists held their Christmas party in the form of a 7 o'clock dinner at the new home of Mrs. Hugh C. Walker, 403 W. Storey, Tuesday evening.

A silver horn of plenty, overflowing with fruits, centered the dinner table which was lighted by white candles in orchid holders. Miniature replicas of the horn of plenty in candy were plate favors.

A turkey dinner was served. Gifts were distributed from a decorated Christmas tree by Mrs. Tom Potter, acting as Santa Claus. Mrs. W. J. Coleman, sponsor, was presented with a gift from the club.

Afterward games were played. The group voted to give a basket to the needy.

Present were: Mmes. Olin Fryar, J. R. Custer, Tom Potter, John B. Mills, Clint Creech, Coleman, Emil Stuter, B. W. Reecer, Sherwood O'Neal, L. H. Tiffin, Miss Marguerite Bivens, Miss Maedeele Roberts, and the hostess.

Ruth Circle Meets At Osburn Home

Ruth circle of the Presbyterian auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. E. R. Osburn, 1007 W. Kansas, Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. W. Bradberry cohostess.

Mrs. Paul Young was in charge of the program following the business meeting. Mrs. Ernest Stowell brought a devotional on the Christmas theme and Mrs. R. L. Miller

led a discussion of "The Church of the Open Door"

Little Beth Osburn sang two Christmas songs and Betty Jo Greene read the Christmas scripture. House decorations were in keeping with the Christmas theme. Fourteen members were present.

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Holding the limelight for social affairs of the week was the triple-hostess coffee given at the home of Mrs. W. R. Bowden, 1610 W. Holloway, Tuesday morning from 9:30 o'clock until 12. Hostesses for the affair, one of a series of large parties which have made the social season a brilliant and busy one recently, were Mrs. W. R. Bowden, Mrs. W. L. Brown and Mrs. S. S. Stinson.

Christmas colors of red and green were carried out in party appointments with red roses as houseflowers.

The coffee table featured a centerpiece of poinsettia and fern. It was spread with a lace cloth and appointed with silver services.

Pouring during the morning were: Mmes. Ben Rogers, E. Erle Payne, Walter Anguish, E. A. Wahlstrom, J. R. Martin, J. L. Greene.

Others in the houseparty were: Mmes. W. E. Wallace, J. H. Longbaugh, N. A. Lancaster, Glen Lewis, J. M. Haywood.

Invitations were issued to about 250 women.

Leshe Flyaron Plans to Hear Guest Speakers

A guest speaker will be on the program at each meeting of Leshe Flyaron after Christmas, it was announced at the Monday night meeting of the club at the home of Mrs. Geo. Sapp on N. Pecos street.

Announcement was made that the club Christmas tree and party will be held at the home of Miss Jerry McMullan, 700 N. Main, next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Several pieces of needlework were finished to be entered in the club contest.

Refreshments were served to nine members including: Miss Marjory Harwell, Mrs. G. B. Hallman, Mrs. Don Logan, Misses Jerry McMullan, Christine Moore, Eddie Moore, Ruth Tidmore, Mrs. Leland White, and the hostess.

Delphian Chapter Hears Program Led by Mrs. Rush

Mrs. J. L. Rush was leader for the program on the subject, "The Old Regime and Modern Ideas" at the meeting of the Delphian chapter in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer Tuesday morning.

Taking part on the program were: Mmes. S. H. Hudkins, A. J. Cooper, H. J. Kemler, A. E. Lynch, C. M. Lineham, H. J. Sunny, J. F. Sirdavan, R. M. Turpin, D. W. Young, W. L. Douthit, E. H. Davidson, and Ralph Troseth.

Roundtable discussions were also held on some points, the old regime in Russia and France being discussed in parallel with modern ideas.

The group voted to send a Christmas basket to a needy family at Christmas.

Mrs. Chas. L. Klapproth presided. Present besides those named were: Mmes. W. E. Chapman, Geo. Grant, B. L. Hoffer, Newsom.

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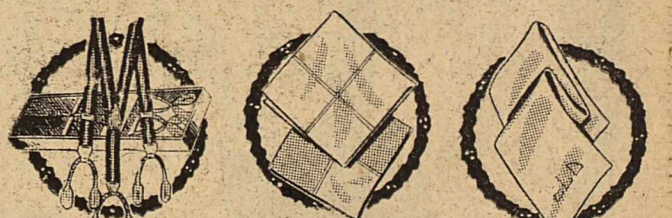


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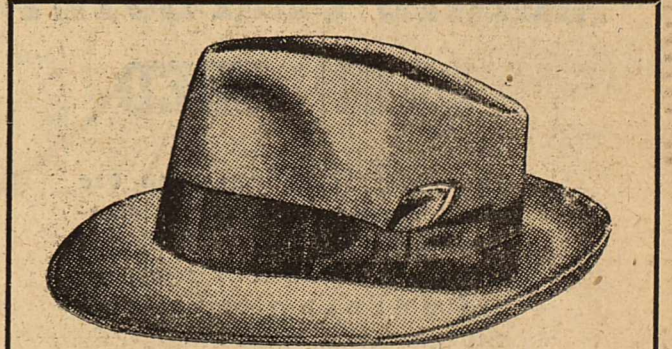
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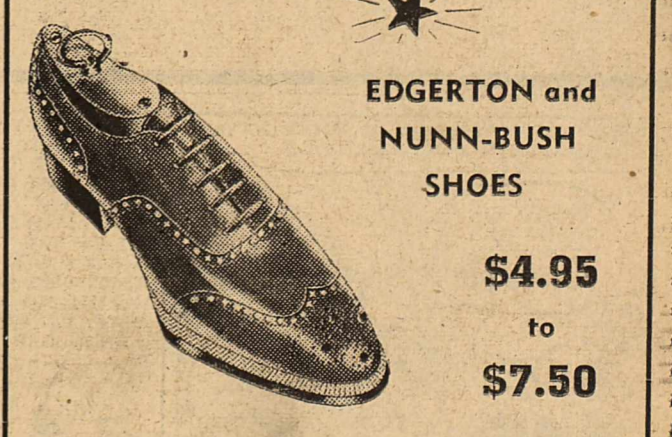
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Jr. High Basketball Schedule for '39-40

December 16, Odessa at Midland.
 January 5, Courtney at Courtney.
 January 6, Big Spring at Big Spring.
 January 12, Big Spring at Midland.
 January 16, Courtney at Midland.
 January 19, Monahans at Midland.
 January 20, Stanton at Stanton.
 January 26, Lamesa at Midland.
 February 2, Stanton at Midland.
 February 3, Lamesa at Lamesa.
 February 9, Monahans at Monahans.
 February 23, Rankin at Midland.

Steele Heads Trans Pecos Association

ODESSA, Dec. 13.—New Officers were elected Monday night at the meeting of the trans-Pecos association, which met in the Wink high school cafeteria.
 Thad Steele, Midland, was elected as president of the group, replacing Taylor Rushing, Odessa. Barney Corfman of Kermit, was elected vice-president, Bill Harvey was re-elected as secretary, and Froggie Lovorn was re-elected as treasurer.
 Principal speakers at the meeting were Roscoe Minton, Mark Saxton and Ab Curtis.

Cordill and Eakin To Represent Texas In All-Star Battle

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13 (AP)—Football stars from the Middle West, Southwest and Pacific Coast telegraphed acceptances today to play with the western team in the annual East-West charity game here New Year's day.
 Among those accepting invitations were three members of this season's University of Oklahoma team, Frank Ivy and John Shirk, ends, and Dick Favor, halfback.
 Rice institute contributed Ollie Cordell, halfback.
 John Schiehl, All-America center from Santa Clara, joined the western forces as did his teammate, Bill Anahu, end. Schiehl will alternate pivot duties with Clyde "Bulldog" Turner, stand-out of the 1939 Hardin-Simmons eleven.
 Leroy Zimmerman, fullback on the San Jose State college team which Glenn "Pop" Warner helped coach to an undefeated, untied season, also signed.
 Others included Kay Eakin, half-

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| Players | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. | Tot. |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Roripaugh | 170 | 130 | 154 | 454 |
| Odale | 157 | 175 | 155 | 487 |
| Boring | 131 | 143 | 134 | 413 |
| Blind | 135 | 135 | 135 | 405 |
| Blind | 147 | 147 | 147 | 441 |
| Handicap | 25 | 25 | 25 | 75 |
| | | | | 765 |
| Team average | | | | 733 |

FEMININE FANCIES

By Kathleen Eiland

One of the newest things for the gayer personalities to delight in at Southern watering places these days is a double-purpose evening gown. Made with a daring swathed bodice top which leaves an expanse of white or suntuined skin gleaming above the full long skirt, it is designed to double for a bathing suit in the moonlight hours after dinner, simply by stepping out of the skirt. The wearer stands forth in a variant of the halter top bathing suit by this metamorphosis.

And then there's another new note in bathing apparel, a suit and play suit whose material is of the same components as safety glass.

Coming Events

THURSDAY.
 Neighbors' club will meet with Mrs. Bill Carson, 300 S Mineola, Thursday afternoon.
 Octet club will have a Christmas party and luncheon at the home of Mrs. M. L. Weatherall, 1611 W Illinois, Thursday afternoon at one o'clock.
 Bien Amigos club will meet with Mrs. John House, 910 W Kansas, Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for a dessert-bridge.
 A puppet show will be presented at the North Ward school Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Admission will be 10 cents and proceeds will go to the PTA's curtain fund. The show will be "Coco and Santa Claus."
 Needlecraft club will meet with Mrs. Geo. Phillips, 200 South I street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
 FRIDAY.
 Third in a series of Christmas recitals will be presented by piano students of Mrs. Lee Cornelius in the upstairs room of the First Christian church Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend the program which will be a costumed presentation dealing with farm life.
 Belmont Bible class will have a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. C. G. Murray, 701 N Colorado, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Each member is asked to bring a contribution to aid in packing a Christmas basket for a needy family.
 Methodist League council will meet at the annex Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
 Lucky Thirteen club will have a

Girdling Used as Aid In Growing Oranges

WESLACO (AP)—Cutting the throat of an orange tree in order to make it produce more fruit is one of the odd practices followed at the state experiment farm here.
 A marked increase in production of navel oranges, which are notoriously low in yield during normal conditions in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, has been obtained through girdling. This is done by taking a pruning saw and cutting the bark around the trunk near the base of the tree.
 Girdling is a common practice in California but experts deny it, saying that it impairs the vigor of trees. Trees girdled at the experiment farm here apparently have vigor to spare and produced considerably more fruit than ungridded trees.

Judge Says Appraise Folks by Their Deeds

AUSTIN (AP)—Learn to appraise people by what they are and not what they say, Tom L. Beauchamp, new judge of the court of criminal appeals, has admonished University of Texas students.
 Addressing the Young Democrats club at the university, Judge Beauchamp said:
 "The most damnable thing that ever happened to anybody is to get his name in the headlines."
 He advised the students not to go to extremes to get publicity.

Crisper Pastry

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| Players | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. | Tot. |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Grant | 170 | 171 | 172 | 513 |
| Jones | 221 | 129 | 126 | 476 |
| Cassidy | 118 | 134 | 190 | 442 |
| Chambers | 130 | 142 | 159 | 431 |
| Schneider | 192 | 243 | 168 | 603 |
| Team average | | | | 822 |

Midland Hardware Co.

| Players | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. | Tot. |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Kaiser | 176 | 129 | 127 | 432 |
| Nance | 167 | 141 | 163 | 471 |
| Hunter | 127 | 158 | 181 | 466 |
| Hunter | 127 | 129 | 190 | 446 |
| Smith | 139 | 180 | 155 | 474 |
| Handicap | 54 | 54 | 54 | 162 |
| Team average | | | | 736 |

Well, one never knows what will happen next in the fertile brains of costume designers. The daughters of Eve have come a long way from the traditional fig-leaf costume—and sometimes we think they are now retracing their steps.

In all the racketing rumors of European turmoil which assail our ears, it is pleasant (and reassuring) to see the number of editorials in our publications which stress the importance of America's staying out of the European embroilment.

Our hat is off to the Finns! It is something to see a peace-loving people stay in there and fight when it is necessary to defend their homes. The Poles (or rather the Polish government) rather let us down when we expected an Alamo-like resistance. The Finns seem inclined to show that peaceful people really make the hardest fighters after all.

Something else that we think is one of the wisest and most peace-preserving "straws in the wind" of which we've heard is the fact, noted more than once by writers about Christmas wares, that war toys are not popular this year—that toys of peace are distinctly in the lead. Good for the toy makers! So long as children are not encouraged to get excited over the games and weapons of war, there is hope for the citizenry's staying sane and levelheaded.

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An unsightly scratch on dark furniture can be made less obvious by coloring with iodine and then waxing the entire surface. If the piece of furniture is valuable, however, it is always wisest to have it repaired by an expert.

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| Players | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. | Tot. |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Cardin | 131 | 144 | 117 | 392 |
| Weaver | 162 | 150 | 140 | 452 |
| Hoeckendorf | 124 | 111 | 118 | 353 |
| Goode | 104 | 13 | 8131 | 373 |
| Langford | 188 | 152 | 170 | 510 |
| Team average | | | | 697 |

Mackey Motor Co.

| Players | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. | Tot. |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Jones | 129 | 196 | 141 | 466 |
| Clement | 131 | 186 | 142 | 459 |
| Nalley | 135 | 145 | 123 | 403 |
| Stewart | 124 | 114 | 138 | 376 |
| Weaver | 142 | 144 | 133 | 419 |
| Handicap | 28 | 28 | 28 | 84 |
| Team average | | | | 709 |

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OH, PATCH, IF YOU CAN HELP SANTA, PLEASE DO!

WELL, THE OTHER NIGHT I WAS WATCHING OVER PETER AND POLLY WHILE THEY WERE ASLEEP AND I SAW A LITTLE MAN SNEAK OUT OF THE TOY FACTORY WITH SOMETHING BIG AND ROUND AND HEAVY ON HIS SHOULDER

YES, YES, GO ON!

I FOLLOWED HIM AND SAW HIM TOSS. WHATEVER HE HAD RIGHT INTO TOYLAND LAKE!

CHRISTMAS BELLS! DID YOU GET A GOOD LOOK AT HIM? WOULD YOU RECOGNIZE HIM AGAIN?

YOU BET! THAT'S HIM SITTING ON TOP OF THE TOY MACHINE

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WATCH FOR SANTA DEVELOPMENTS AT MIDLAND DRUG CO.

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0—Wanted

WANTED: To list your houses, farms, and ranches; have cash buyers. Mrs. Pearl Boone, phone 1276, Midland. (235-6)

1—Lost & Found

LOST: Key ring with four keys. Return Jno. P. Howe Co. (237-3)

LOST: Square maroon plaid scarf. Return to Reporter-Telegram. (238-3)

2—For Sale

FOR FLOWERS see your local dealer. Vestal Flower Shop, Phone 408, 104 South H Street. (1-1-40)

LEE UNION MADE uniforms, matched suits, coveralls; all kinds lettering. Give your orders to McMullan's, South Main. (12-17-39)

FOR SALE: Four Simmons bicycles; practically new. Phone 278, E. B. Rountree. (239-4)

3—Furnished Apts.

NEWLY papered, painted one and two rooms, \$5.50, \$6.00. 209 East Texas. (236-6)

FURNISHED apartment one side of duplex; also 4-room apartment. Phone 291, apply 521 West Wall. (236-3)

ROOMS and apartments; innerspring mattresses; reasonable rates. 321 South Baird, phone 1099-W. (236-6)

FURNISHED duplex; \$40.00 month; 702 West Kansas; garage; modern. Mims & Crane, phone 24. (237-3)

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DUPLEX apartment; four rooms; two beds; partly furnished. 411 North Main, phone 171. (238-3)

TWO-ROOM furnished apartment; modern; convenient. 605 North Loraine. (239-3)

4—Unfurnished Apts.

UNFURNISHED 2-bedroom duplex; 507 West Texas. Mims & Crane, phone 24. \$35.00 month. (237-3)

6—Unfurnished Houses

4-ROOM modern house. Apply 306 North Baird. (237-3)

10-a—Room & Board

BOARD and room at Rountree's; excellent meals; rooms nicely arranged for girls and boys. 107 South Pecos, phone 278. (1-4-40)

11—Employment

GOOD seamstress wanted at the Sanders Furniture and Paint Shop; must be extra good and not over 30 years old. (239-1)

15—Loans

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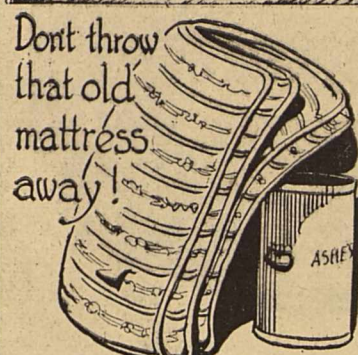
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(Hotel Scharbauer Bldg.)

(1-11-40)

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16—Miscellaneous

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Bigger trade-ins with payments to suit you.
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Good Grade "A" Raw Milk
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PHONE 9000

"Hobby Hall" Created To Spur Art Talent

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (AP)—Shortridge high school of Indianapolis is trying a new experiment in progressive education, with a "hobby hall" set up to enable students and teachers to discover any possible art talent in a dozen different fields.

Students are given an opportunity for supervised work every afternoon and evening, at drawing, painting, woodwork, metal and leather handicraft, and many other

projects. Faculty members have reported that enough students have taken an interest in the work to keep the hall busy during all its open hours.

Concho lake recently gave up a gold wish 13 inches in length and weighing more than one pound and a half. It was caught by J. W. Revel of San Angelo with pole and line. Goldfish are members of the carp family.

FOUNTAIN DRINKS

HOT DOGS

THEY ARE A FOOT LONG—ONE IS A MEAL FOR A DIME

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See Us for Distinctive Gifts for Both Men & Women — ALSO PORTRAITS —

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Man Sings 46 Years In Catholic Choirs

TYLER (AP)—Christmas eve X. F. Meyer of Tyler will have been singing in Catholic church choirs 46 years when he sings the midnight mass at the Immaculate Conception church. He began when eight years old in a boys' choir in a church on the Rhine near Strasbough. At that time he could reach any note on the organ, he said, and he had to sing at a distance from the organ. Now, Meyer sings tenor mostly with a strong French accent.

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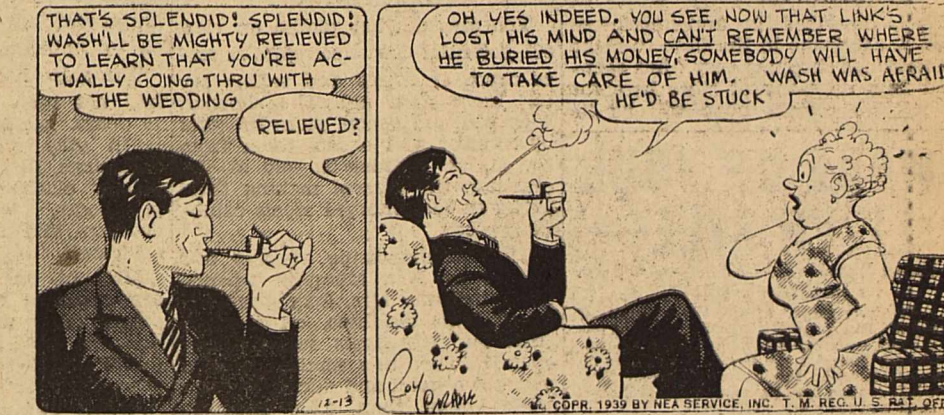
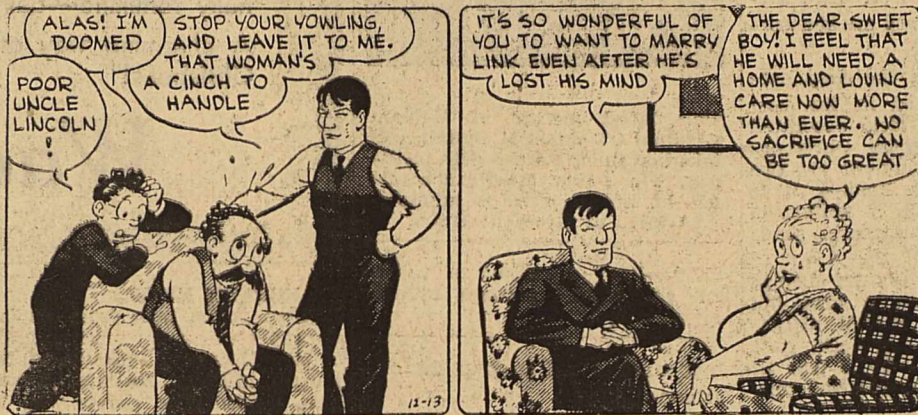
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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



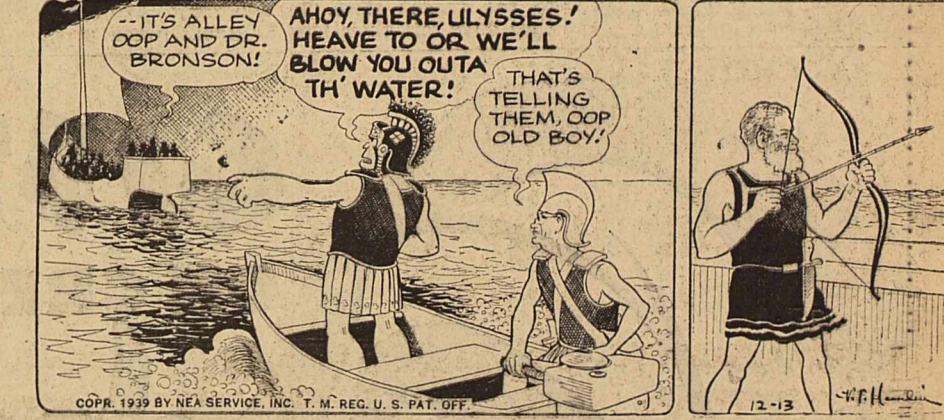
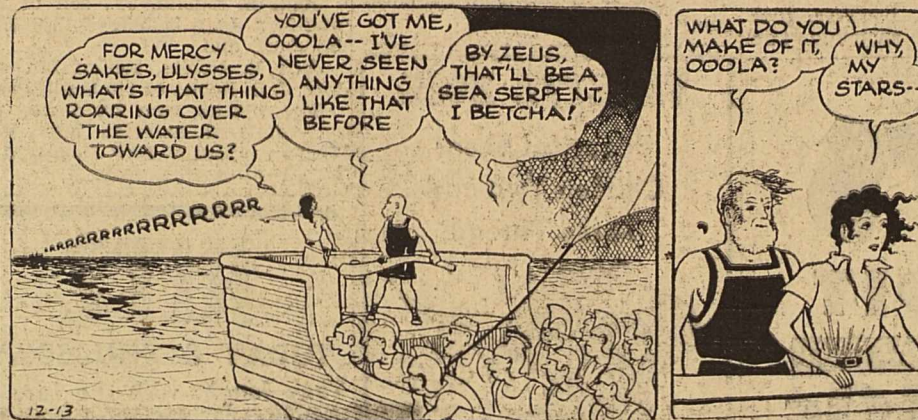
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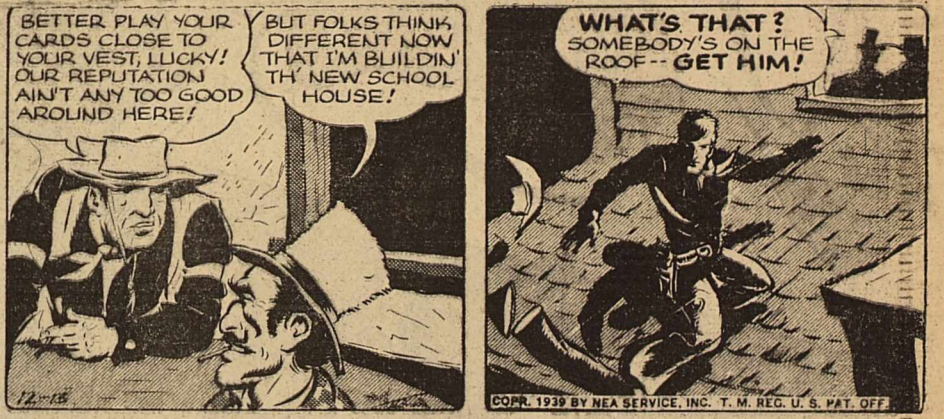
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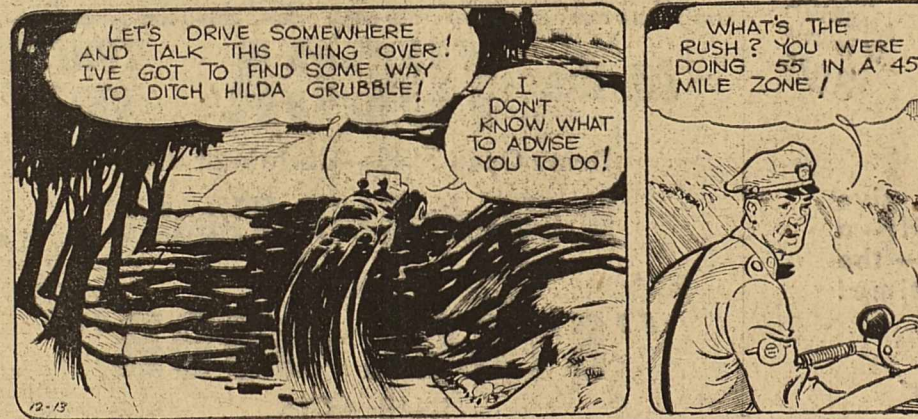
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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

with MAJOR HOUPLE

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



ARE YOUR EARS BURNING, VENUS?

YES
Now at your Grocers
Take Home a Dozen Cans TODAY!

WON-UP

WON-UP Distributor: Welsh, Whittenburg, Inc.
P. O. Box 426, Odessa, Texas

Yule Shopping Galleries Increase; Not-for-Sale Gifts Suggest Ideas

ST. LOUIS (UP)—The Musée de Noël, described in announcements as "a catalogue in the flesh to make Christmas shopping easy," has opened in a once-vacant store here for what its owners hope will be its

second successful season. The museum has placed on view 351 potential Christmas gifts selected from 41 stores and selling for not more than \$10. The shopper, with pad and pencil, picks his gifts by number and orders them from the stores. Nothing is sold at the museum, the owners making their profit on fees charged stores exhibiting goods.

WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE—

Without Calorie!—And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning!
The liver should pour out two pounds of liquid bile into your bowels daily. If this bile is not flowing freely, your food doesn't digest. It just decays in the bowels. Gas builds up your stomach. You get constipated. Your whole system is poisoned and you feel sour, sunk and the world looks pink.
A mere bowel movement doesn't get at the cause. It takes those good, old Carter's Little Liver Pills to get these two pounds of bile flowing freely and make you feel "up and up." Harmless, gentle, yet amazing in making bile flow freely. Ask for Carter's Little Liver Pills by name. Refuse anything else. At all drug stores. 10¢ and 25¢.

The merchandising venture was started by Mrs. Margaret Chandler Porter and Mrs. Etta Randolph Wood, two socialites, on a small scale last Christmas season. They opened a shop in a small room of a downtown hotel and during the two weeks more than 4,000 shoppers came to get ideas for gifts. The owners found that the hotel room was too small for their shop this year, however, and they moved to the vacant store. In addition, they have sold their idea to groups

in eight other cities. In Philadelphia, Baltimore, Seattle, Birmingham, Columbus, Ohio, and Springfield, Mass., Junior Leagues have established similar shops. In Pittsburgh and Detroit they are sponsored by individuals.

The store housing the shop here had not been rented in the past 10 years, but Mrs. Weld decorated it in gray with some Christmas trimmings. In the windows are two plaster blackamoors holding large gift boxes. Outside a uniformed doorman and a loud-speaker sends out carols.

Most of the articles on display are standard Christmas gifts but others have some special attraction. A belt, made of spun glass fabric and matched by a pair of glass suspenders, has received considerable attention.

"They work all right," Mrs. Weld said. "We tried out everything before it was put in here. My husband wore the belt."

Both women say, however, that whoever does the shopping for

Senior Cardinal



This latest picture of William Cardinal O'Connell of Boston, was taken on the eve of his 80th birthday. The senior American cardinal, he is still active in administration of diocesan affairs.

Eight-foot salamanders inhabited the earth's swamps millions of years ago.

their families will do it in the old-fashioned way.

"I'm going to be busy up to a few days before Christmas," Mrs. Porter said. "But if anyone gives me a gift from this shop I'll shoot him."

VANETTE HOSE
Beautiful Sheer Chiffon Two and Three Thread

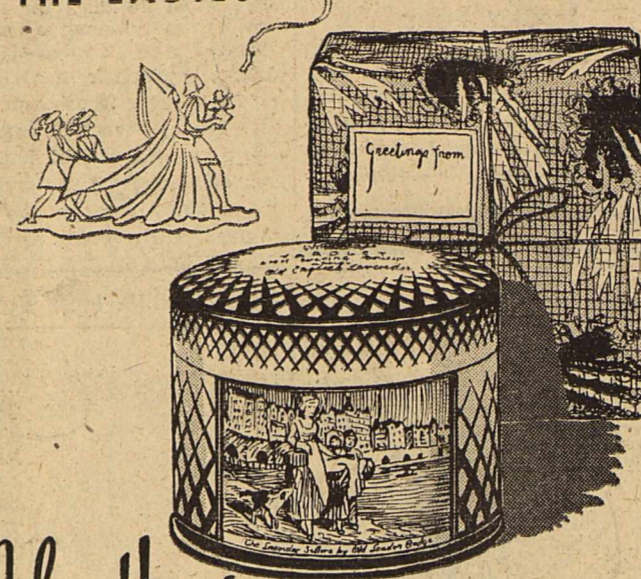


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Popular Store
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THE LADIES LOVE IT!



Yardley's English Lavender Dusting Powder

Clouds of sweet, refreshing fragrance which all women adore! The fragile, delicate perfume is essentially feminine—dainty, alluring. A charming way of saying "Merry Christmas!"

Dusting Powder Gift Wrapped \$1.35

Wadley's



She'll love a **BAG** for Christmas

- Dressy Suedes
- Alligator Grains
- Sculptured Calf

\$1.00 to \$8.75

She'll particularly love it if it's one of these well styled, well made, expensive looking bags from famous manufacturers! Plenty of black and new colors.



Wadley's

Mail Cascades To Christmas, Florida Town

TO RETURN HOME. Three young men from Midland are expected home at the beginning of the Christmas furlough at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, New Mexico. The cadets who will arrive about December 17 are:

- Courtney H. Cowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowden of 104 South G. street;
 - John S. Dublin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dublin of 1300 West Missouri, and
 - Jack B. Nobles, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Nobles of 110 South Pecos.
- These young men are among the one hundred nineteen boys from Texas enrolled at New Mexico Military Institute this year.

CHRISTMAS, Fla. (UP).—A seasonal boom in good cheer is reported from this famous hamlet of 200 population as holiday packages, letters, and cards pour into the tiny postoffice from remotest sections of the world.

African missionaries, children from the Bronx and even persons from the war zones of Europe sent their holiday mail here for what has become an official stamp of Yuletide approval. "Greetings From Christmas, Fla." Some persons desired complete authenticity for their Christmas cards and asked that they be remailed from here to Santa Claus, Ind., for further postmarking.

This is the only postoffice named Christmas in the United States. The town is 102 years old, having survived attacks from hostile Indians and severe battles during the Civil War. The town was held for a time by the Union army during the Civil War.

Protests Save Office. Then the Postoffice Department attempted to eliminate postal status of the town, but combined protests of "Christmas" residents, stamp collectors and the Florida congressional delegation staved off the threatened oblivion.

Although the crop of mail is a bumper one, Postmistress Juanita Tucker is having an easier time of it than she has in the past. For one thing, she has a postoffice building. For another, she has an electric stamping machine and a cancellation machine. Previously, she had to do all the work by hand, and never did she get through a Christmas season without having to call in help.

People who want to be different are sending packages here, accompanied by letters and stamp money, and asking that they be rewrapped and sent to friends. Packages make up most of the mail. Greeting cards

rank second. Letters are last. **New Record Expected.**

Last year, more than 70,000 pieces of mail—a record for Christmas—were cancelled. This year, Miss Tucker expects to break that record. Judging from the present pile of mail, the European war is having little or no effect on her business, and tourists already coming south are coming off the beaten path to mail cards from Christmas.

Christmas boasts first of its name; second of its sculptor—Hughlette Wheeler, the only man of his trade ever to do a three-quarter statue of the late humorist, Will Rogers, astride a horse. Wheeler is typical of the cow-punchers who inhabit this community.

TO RETURN HOME.

Mrs. J. A. Jorgensen and Mrs. Chas. V. Romer, both of whom underwent surgery in a Midland hospital recently, were to return to their homes this afternoon.

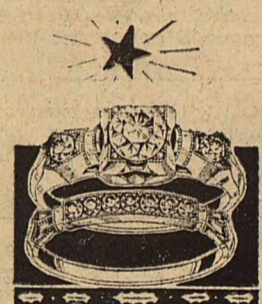
RETURN HOME.

Mrs. H. A. Roberts returned to her home from a Midland hospital this morning. Mrs. Thomas Gill returned to her home Tuesday. She had also been a patient in the hospital.

The Philadelphia zoo contains 2,600 specimens of 750 species of animals. They are said to live longer in this zoo than in any other zoo in the world.

ON VACATION. Miss Maria Spencer, district geologist of the Superior Oil company, has gone to Oklahoma on her vacation, to visit her parents.

Dr. H. C. Wright, foot specialist of Lubbock, will be at the Scharbauer Hotel in January. Watch for exact date. (Adv.)



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Midland's Little Theatre
Presents
"STAGE DOOR"
IN 3 ACTS
with
AN ALL-LOCAL CAST
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"You have waited two years for this new, enchanting Garbo!"

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The Most REVOLUTIONARY WRIST WATCH of all time!

The New GRUEN VERI-THIN

The Gruen Veri-Thin is so much thinner, so much lighter, that it's altogether different from any watch you've ever worn...yet through an ingenious arrangement of the working parts Gruen craftsmen have devised a movement that tapers to the thinness of the streamlined case...the greatest advance in over 300 years of watch-making!

The Veri-Thin model shown here is the "Phantom" with 15-jewel movement, yellow gold filled case, Guiltite back...\$29.75. Come in and see the amazing new Veri-Thin wrist watches

Roetiger's Jewelry
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Sale!

DRESSES
Formerly Priced at \$10.95—\$16.95
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1/2 OFF

These dresses are well known brands, finely made in black or colors, with rich trimmings. Select one for a gift and one to wear for the holidays.

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