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Governor Tingley Signs New Social Security Law Bill

Members Depart For Their Homes Yesterday; New Law Passed May Be In Operation Monday Of Next Week.

SANTA FE—Gov. Clyde Tingley plans yesterday for the first series of conferences preparatory for the administrative set-up of a state employment compensation act while legislators who approved the measure in a two-day session left for their homes yesterday.

The approved bill, providing for New Mexico compliance under the Social Security Act's Unemployment Insurance Title, was signed yesterday by Governor Tingley at a brief ceremony and made into law.

D. M. Powell, regional Social Security director from San Antonio, Texas, was scheduled to arrive yesterday to aid the state in carrying out the administrative force.

He was expected to meet with the governor soon after his arrival.

Shortly after the special session had adjourned to enact the Social Security Act, the governor announced the first of preparation conferences will be held in the statehouse today.

The executive did not disclose plans for naming the three-member board provided as the administrative agency in the law. He said he was considering the appointments.

Operation of the new law which carries the emergency clause, he said, would be underway probably Monday.

The governor's signature yesterday putting their work on the state statute books will give New Mexico unemployment compensation provisions for jobs with benefits starting two years after the payment of a tax on employer of eight or more men starts in January.

The act limits the amount of benefits to a maximum of \$15 and a minimum of \$5 per week for 16 weeks. It transfers the state unemployment offices to the unemployment compensation commission. Limitations put on workers eligible for benefits includes those who are able to work and only those who work for an employer of eight or more men.

JOHN COLLIER PROPHECIES NAVAJO BILL WILL BE ISSUED

John Collier, Indian commissioner, stated that he thought the Navajo boundary bill would be a bill to issue at the next session of Congress. The idea of extending the Navajo reservation in the state has been vigorously opposed by stock growers.

CANADA AND INDIANA WIN GRAIN CROWNS

At the recent International Livestock and Grain Show in Chicago, William H. Curry, United States representative, was declared the premier grower of the world. While Herman Trelle, a Canadian man, was awarded the wheat crown of the world.

220 MILES OF FEDERAL ROAD CONSTRUCTED

The highway program to relieve unemployment administered by the Bureau of Public Roads of the U. S. Department of Agriculture resulted in the construction of 220 miles of road at the close of the last fiscal year, according to an annual report of the bureau, released. These roads cost \$4,622,561, of which \$571,276,033 was paid by the federal government, says Thos. H. MacDonald, chief of the bureau. The mileage completed during the year, with funds apportioned to all states, was 13,789.

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PRESENT YEAR ON JULY 1, THERE WAS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION, 17,862 MILES AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$357,283,044 OF WHICH \$270,336,054 WAS FEDERAL FUNDS.

HARPER DRILLING NEW WELL

Harper, et al., have started a new well on their lease southeast of Dayton, and is known as the Van Wallen No. 1, in the NE corner of sec. 34-18-26. The new well is being drilled below 326 feet. The original well, the Platt No. 1, in the SW sec. 26-18-26, has been completed and is shut down awaiting storage.

SOCIAL SECURITY FORMS AND SYSTEMS—The Messenger.

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TURKEY SHOOT AT HAGERMAN SUNDAY

A turkey shoot will be held all day next Sunday, December 20th, at the Hagerman Rifle club's new range southeast of town.

The club will classify the events to give all entries an equal chance. Rifles are to be classified as follows:

Class 1. Hunting rifles, open sights (for the average man with average hunting rifle).

Class 2. Hunting rifle with any metallic sights other than factory sights.

Class 3. Any rifle, any calibre, any sights.

In addition to the above there will be pistol, trap and .22 shooting, and special events for ladies.

The shoot will start about 8:00 o'clock a. m., and continue throughout the day. Lunch will be served on the grounds.

All safety precautions will be observed and sportsmen are invited to bring their families.

Shooters from Carlsbad, Artesia, Lake Arthur, Dexter and Roswell have announced their intention of participating.

Mrs. Arthur Lawing was shopping in Roswell on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Zimmerman were in town from the ranch Friday.

Ernest Langenegger shipped a car load of horses to Clovis Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Langenegger went to Clovis Wednesday to the horse sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus King and Floyd McNamore attended the show in Roswell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Boyce spent the week-end with Mrs. Fletcher and sons and the Boyce family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Menoud, Mrs. T. M. Woody and Mrs. Mann were shoppers in Roswell Saturday.

John Elliott, who has spent several weeks at the Diamond A ranch is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Stuart of Artesia were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King and family.

W. E. Utterback, Tommy Utterback and George Lathrop are in California spending a few days sightseeing.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burck, Miss Esther James and Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten were shoppers in Roswell Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mrs. Perry Andrus, Mrs. Lazelle Huckabee, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Bowen had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Youree in Roswell Sunday evening.

Roswell shoppers Tuesday were: Arthur Lawing, Jewel Davis, Mrs. T. D. Devenport, Mrs. Aubrey Evans, W. J. Alter, Mrs. J. E. Wimberly, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Paddock, Miss Caroline Paddock, Hal Ware, Mrs. R. M. Ware and John McAllister.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Knight, who have spent the last week with relatives have returned to their home in Texas, going by way of Stamford to visit Floyd McNamore's relatives. Mr. McNamore also visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King and other relatives.

Walter Elliott of New York City arrived last Tuesday for a brief visit in the valley. He is a former resident of the valley and is a brother of the late Roger Elliott, and an uncle of John Elliott. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Paddock, Mrs. R. M. Ware, John Elliott, Miss Caroline Paddock and Hal Ware were guests of Mr. Elliott at the Nickson for dinner.

CARLSBAD MAN STABBED TO DEATH

R. (Bill) Ohnemus, Jr., 36, former resident of Carlsbad, was stabbed to death Sunday in Los Angeles, California. His assailant is being held in jail, it was learned at Carlsbad Monday.

Ohnemus, an automobile mechanic, was the son of Mrs. Rome Ohnemus of Carlsbad.

The body arrived at Carlsbad yesterday. The West Funeral Home is in charge of funeral and burial arrangements.

Besides his mother, Ohnemus is survived by his wife and three children, and a sister, Mrs. Carrie Wheeler of Carlsbad.

Hagerman Schools To Dismiss For the Holidays Dec. 18th

The Hagerman schools will dismiss for the holidays tomorrow, December 18th, and will resume school on January 4th, giving a vacation of two full weeks. Christmas programs will be given in the lower grades and several rooms have planned trees and gifts for the pupils.

All the faculty residing out of town are planning to leave either Friday afternoon or Saturday morning for their homes, taking advantage of the extra time permitted to spend with home folks.

CABALLO DAM WORK BEGUN

Work began last week on the construction of the Caballo dam. This is twenty miles south of Elephant Butte dam. Concrete is being poured for the lining of the diversion tunnel.

Assurance is made by J. R. Page, acting reclamation commissioner, that appropriations would be included in the budget for hydro-electric unit installations at both Caballo and Elephant Butte dams, which will make available for southern New Mexico and El Paso county of 94,000,00 kilowatts of power.

MEN'S CLUB PLAN CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

A small attendance at Men's club on Tuesday evening, but plans were made for the Christmas program. Committees were made additional to those already appointed. Gift baskets containing food, candy and other things will be given to needy families. J. E. Wimberly, Frank McCarthy, Jim Michelet, Harrison McKinstry and J. T. West were present.

HAGERMAN YOUTHS ARRAIGNED IN COURT FOR DISTURBING PEACE

About ten youths from Hagerman are being tried in court today for disturbing the peace at the Pentecostal church last Sunday night. Names of them all have not been learned and sentences were not passed at the last report.

STATE SUES TO CORRECT TAXES

The State Tax Commission Monday filed suit in district court to correct assessments on the property of the Artesia Pipe Line company.

The petition said property owned by the company in Lea county had been entered erroneously on the Eddy county valuations.

Original valuation was \$56,000. If it is corrected by the court, it will be \$48,456.

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Hope Cattlemen Ship 435 Head of Cattle to Pecos, Texas, Tues.

Hope cattlemen shipped out 435 head of cattle from the Artesia pens Tuesday. The shipments were consigned to Port Daggett at Pecos, Texas, and included 235 head of steers, calves and yearlings for Edgar Williamson; forty-six head of steer and heifer calves for Sam Hunter; ninety-nine head of steers, heifers and yearlings for W. M. Coates; four head of steers for Briscoe Brothers; twenty steer calves for M. O. Teel; five head of steer calves for R. N. Teel; twenty-four head of steers for R. T. Mel-lard.

Information On Christmas Mail

Information On How To Help Speed the Postal Service Is Given.

For the benefit of those mailing Christmas cards and parcels, the following rates, while no different from any other time, are furnished by R. W. Cumpsten, postmaster, to enable a more accurate and speedy service of all mails.

1. Cards mailed to be delivered to patrons of the local office, sealed or not sealed, take a rate of one cent per ounce or fraction thereof.

2. Cards not sealed and addressed to persons other than at the local office, take a rate of 1 1/2 cents per ounce or fraction thereof.

3. Cards at the 1 1/2 cent rate cannot be forwarded or returned to sender unless additional postage is furnished.

4. Cards not sealed may contain the name of the sender with Christmas greetings written thereon, but no personal message must be added.

5. Parcels must be securely wrapped and tied with strong material, plainly addressed, and the return address of the sender placed thereon before presenting them for mailing. Do not seal the parcel other than with Christmas seals unless an inspection permit label is used.

6. Damages may be collected on insured parcels according to the invoiced cost of the contents if covered by insurance.

For extremely fragile parcels, use the special handling system.

For extremely fast service, use air mail and special delivery.

Mail early is our motto and intended to your best advantage.

For safety, use the registry or insurance service.

Social Security forms and systems—The Messenger.

College Students To Arrive Soon For Vacation

College students will be arriving soon to spend vacation with home folk. From State College comes Miss Ruth Utterback, Stanley Utterback, Gladys Menefee and Lawrence Menefee and Ellsworth Evans.

Misses Marian, Maxine and Doris Key, Phillis Andrews, Lois Jenkins, Sara Beth West and Leroy Evans from Eastern New Mexico Junior College; Miss Evelyn Lane from Ames, Iowa; Miss Beatrice Lane from Park College; Billy Jo and Miss Mary Burk from Texas Tech; Miss Elizabeth McKinstry from Hardin-Simmons; Kenneth Stine from State University.

They will begin to arrive late this week and most of them will have about ten days vacation.

GOVERNOR URGES SPEED ON WPA APPLICATIONS

In a statement issued in Santa Fe Friday, Governor Tingley said he had urged on the New Mexico congressional delegation the need for getting action on WPA projects which will keep works projects going through the winter. The governor said he believed the president would not permit WPA work to suspend on January 20th, as has been forecasted in Washington dispatches. Otherwise, he said, thousands would be thrown out of employment and it would be necessary to close down important projects now underway.

NEW MEXICO THIRD HIGH

New Mexico ranked third high state in the nation last week in automobile fatalities last week. Pennsylvania, with fourteen, and North Carolina with eleven were the two highs. The crash of Indian school boys in a bus last Saturday afternoon, killing seven, brought the week-end total up to third place. During the week nineteen others were injured, some who may not survive.

JOHN LANGENEGGER BUYS CARTER FARM

A sale was recently made of the Rich Carter farm, northwest of town, to John Langenegger. Mr. Langenegger states that he does not plan to make any immediate changes in the farm, which is across the road from his home.

HOPE GETS AN ADDITIONAL GRANT

The office of Rep. J. J. Dempsey learned Tuesday from the public works administration that approval has been given to an additional grant of \$2,052 for the Hope school auditorium and gymnasium, and \$3,272 for the Malaga school.

HAGERMANITES ATTEND ROSWELL RIFLE SHOOT

Hagerman sportsmen and their families turned out almost en masse last Sunday to attend the Roswell Rifle club shoot at their range west of Roswell, just north of the highway.

George Lange, Frank McCarthy, Dr. Metzger, J. T. West, John D. Garner, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Michelet, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Dacus Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Bowen were those attending. John Garner, Jim Michelet and John Tolliver West each won a turkey.

AID BAZAAR SUCCESS

The annual bazaar and turkey dinner of the Presbyterian Ladies Aid last Saturday afternoon and evening has been reported as a great success, both from attendance and finances.

The bazaar division reported heavier sales than ever before. At the dinner between seventy-five and eighty people were served.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gehman were Roswell visitors Friday.

Mr. Parnell made a business trip to Hatch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Heick were visiting and attending to business in Hagerman Tuesday.

Phil Kingsley of Albuquerque was a business visitor in Hagerman Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Menoud and Mrs. Alice M. Hedges were shoppers in Roswell Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Menoud and Mrs. M. D. Menoud were business visitors in Artesia Tuesday.

John M. Heath of Denver, Colorado, transacted business in Hagerman Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. D. L. Geyer of Roswell spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Losey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Duk Thompson and Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten were shoppers in Roswell Wednesday.

The Rev. P. B. Wallace will leave tomorrow for Portales to bring his daughter Ruth home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mmes. Martha Hams, Frankie Davis and Smoky and Mrs. Richmond Hams went Christmas shopping today in Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Menoud were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Dorman and Howard Sunday.

Violin pupils of Mrs. Ramon Welborne gave a recital last week on Wednesday evening. This is always a treat for the public, and brings an appreciative crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. John Langenegger, J. W. Langenegger, Misses Wanna Bee and Bessie Mae Langenegger were noon-day dinner guests last Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nail and Mrs. Anna Lang.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Andrus were hosts on Tuesday evening with a delightful Christmas dinner party to Messrs. and Mmes. John Clark, Perry Andrus, Johnnie Bowen and Mrs. Lazelle Huckabee. Decorations followed the Christmas theme and favors of gay horns were given the guests.

ONE ENTRY PORT TO BE ABANDONED

Port of entry on the El Paso highway, southwest of Carlsbad, soon will be temporarily abandoned, Stanley Blocker, chief inspector, said at Carlsbad.

The port now is located at the Washington camp, and only one official is employed there. He will be transferred temporarily to Hobbs.

Mr. Blocker said that the new location of the port of entry on the Pecos road is more convenient than the former location on the edge of the city. The large crowds just after the cavern trip are avoided in the present location.

MONDAY COLDEST

Monday was the coldest morning of the present winter season thus far with a reading of fourteen degrees above zero, according to the government thermometer. Monday's reading was lower by four degrees than the previous cold spell, which registered a temperature of eighteen above.

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Dexter Heads N. M. Oil Assn. Another Year

Roswell Man Is Reelected Secretary; Change Is Made in Advisory Committee; Lea Operators Agree On Plan.

The annual meeting of the New Mexico Oil and Gas Association was held in Santa Fe Friday, at the same time operators were assembled for the prorator meeting. The principal item of business connected with the annual meeting was the selection of the executive committee, all of whom were re-elected with two exceptions. J. M. Murray, Sr., of Hobbs and W. A. Nicholas of Roswell will succeed Hugh Burch and A. C. Brown, deceased, of Artesia. Other committee members include: C. J. Dexter of Artesia, M. E. Baish of Artesia, D. D. Bodie of Hobbs, Van S. Welch of Artesia, Powhatan Carter of Roswell, and Harry Leonard of Roswell.

At an executive committee meeting held in Roswell yesterday afternoon, all of the former officers were re-elected including C. J. Dexter, president; V. S. Welch, vice president, and Harry Leonard of Roswell, secretary.

Agree on Prorator Plan

A prorator plan for the Hobbs oil field was finally agreed on late Saturday after a proposed plan hung fire for almost two days. The present agreement expires January 1st, 1937. Producers experienced difficulty in reaching a common ground of agreement. One group was said to favor the continuation of the present agreement while the other group favored a plan based on acreage. The final proposal agreed on is based on sixty per cent allowable for acreage and forty per cent on potential.

LET'S GO SHOPPING

If you want to give something gorgeous, then you'll certainly want to go to Glover's; you'll lose your heart to the very brilliance of his flowers.

Kipling's are showing the most alluring boxes of their famous Kipling's, Saylor's and Whitman's candies. What is sweeter?

Roswell Seed Co., says: "To keep a man, you need to feed him." So they insist on bright shining new pressure cookers.

The Safeway Stores are featuring real bargains in Christmas candies, both in boxes and bulk; rich fruity fruits and nuts you'll find there also.

Hagerman Drug is a metropolis of gifts. All members of the family can be pleased with gifts of distinction from "Your Druggist."

The C. & C. Garage insists that the cars need a Christmas treat also, and offer heaters to fit your car and pocketbook. These chilly days and cold night make one want a nice warm car to drive in.

Hedges Beauty Shop says all ladies will want to look their best, so that Santa will be proud of them, and they want to do their part by touching up your permanent; it pays too, for Santa likes 'em pretty.

Mable-Lowrey's, in addition to a toyland of gifts for children, are showing electrical gifts you can't resist.

Ball & White, of course, believe in the gentlemen being well dressed. Their windows are full of suggestions.

Mr. and Mrs. Ehrhardt of the Corner Grocery can fill all your Christmas grocery needs. It will be wise to get things for your Christmas dinner before all the best is gone. There you will find nuts, cranberries, candies, and everything good for your table.

Fruit cakes that melt in your mouth, fruity and nutty, will be found at Ross Baking Co., Artesia.

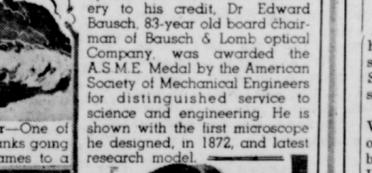
M. E. CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Methodist church will have their Christmas program next Sunday, December 20th, at the morning service. The choir will give two anthems, "And There Were Shepherds" and "Neath the Starry Heavens." Members of the choir are: Sopranos, Mmes. J. H. Walker and E. A. Paddock, Misses Georgina Silliman and Dorothea Cowan; alto, Mmes. Edmund McKinstry, Ramon Welborne and Ben F. Gehman; tenor, E. A. Paddock; bass, Frank Bauslin, Ben F. Gehman and C. F. Tressler. Miss Frances Welborne, pianist.

In the evening the Sunday school will give a pageant "The Gift of the Magi." They will be assisted by the choir.

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In The WEEK'S NEWS



A WHITE CHRISTMAS—Helen Burgess, plans to distribute her gifts while dressed in bright green ski trousers, snowy white jumper and cardigan striped lighter green. A white woolen muffler, knitted white cap and fleece lined mittens complete the costume.

The Fiery Breath of War—One of the latest Italian Army Tanks going into action. It throws flames to a great distance.

With more than forty patents on optical instruments and machinery to his credit, Dr. Edward Bausch, 83-year old board chairman of Bausch & Lomb optical Company, was awarded the ASME Medal by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for distinguished service to science and engineering. He is shown with the first microscope he designed, in 1872, and latest research model.

Interest to women—Eleanor Howe, nationally known home economist conducts a sparkling, new and different "Home Makers Exchange" radio program over C.B.S. coast-to-coast hookup every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:45 A.M. E.S.T. Women exchange their own household hints, recipes and homemaking experiences.

A STUDY IN TAXES—Motorists throughout the country are receiving from filling station attendants "tax dollars" which show that a large part of every dollar spent for gasoline really goes to pay the 40 per cent gasoline sales tax.

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Gunlock Ranch By FRANK H. SPEARMAN

CHAPTER XI—Continued

"Yes, you can, damn you, and you will. Let me put that bandage back where it belongs—and you keep it there. Don't talk about eye-sight unless you want it back. Where the hell do I come in? What am I getting out of this?"

The train was pulling into Sleepy Cat. Jane, rousing herself from a stupor, her breath choking her, her heart ready to burst with every beat, staggered to her feet, dazed, and supporting herself along the aisle with her hands alternately on the backs of the seats, stepped blindly down to the platform.

Bull Page, who was in with the team and buckboard to take her home, reached for her handbag. "No, Bull," Jane said quietly. "I'm not going out tonight."

"Not going out?" "I'm staying in town."

"Staying in town?" stammered Bull, vastly surprised. "Drive me to the hotel," Jane said wearily. "I'll take a room there. You drive home and come back for me tomorrow afternoon."

It was ten o'clock. Assigned to a room, Jane freshened herself after the long, dusty car ride, bathed her face and temples again and again in cold water, and tried to collect her throbbing thoughts.

It all seemed like a hideous dream. Surely it could be shaken off; surely men could not be so fiendish as to plot fire and so horrible a death as would follow to sleeping men.

Her father! She shuddered. This thought was most horrible of all—Incredible—and yet . . .

Of one thing she felt certain: If it were true, she could no longer live under the same roof with him, and the terrifying duty of learning the revolting truth from his own lips confronted her.

And her lover—Bill, blinded Bill—what now of him? Could she ever face him again? What would he say? What would he do?

He knew the truth. No doubt remained in her mind on that point. No need now to ask why he seemed worried and changed. Was he only waiting, trying to decide how to tell her he could not marry her—that her father had blinded him—that they must part?

She threw open her window and kneeling before it, looked out upon the silent, far-stretching desert with her time in town.

Things were at this pass when one day Van Tambel told his daughter he must go to Medicine Bend on some bank business. Jane knew that he was not able to make the trip—Carpy had told her more than once that the old man's life hung by a thread. She pleaded with her father, found out what the business was, and offered to go in his stead.

She took the morning train for Medicine Bend, secured the further time on his notes at the bank, spent the night at the Mountain House, and took the afternoon train west for Sleepy Cat.

The Pullman cars were crowded. Jane was forced to find a seat in a day coach. Here she placed her handbag in the seat beside her, bought a magazine, and resigned herself to a long afternoon and evening.

Two men had taken the seat directly behind her. Jane resumed her reading until in the conversation between the two men her attention was attracted by catching the name of Bill Denison.

Her curiosity once aroused, it was easy to follow the drift of their talk. Presently she heard mention of her father's name. Aroused now to keen interest, Jane was torn between the feeling that she ought not to listen and the impulse that she must.

"Of course, nobody can prove it," were the words she heard. "I didn't say they could. That old bird knows too well how to cover his tracks. But everybody knows how he derided Denison's brother when he lived there—tried to buy him out, then scare him out, and then smoke him out. The old devil has been crazy ever since he owned Gunlock to get hold of that little Spring Ranch. Why? Account of the water. It's the biggest spring in the hills. Now that he's back from the hospital, the first thing he thinks of is to get hold of that spring."

ered as calmly as the merest bit of current gossip would be discussed on a street corner. "According to what I hear," continued the narrator, "Sawdy and some of Bill's friends choked the story out of Barney. Sawdy got cut up in the fracas with him—Sawdy was laid up in the hospital for a month. Barney's a mean devil with a knife."

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that she might not hear the truth till he could save Denison's eyes and thus cushion the horrid shock that the facts must bring to an innocent sufferer.

She had thrown her arms on the table in front of her. Her head sank between them.

Dr. Carpy rose, walked around to the other side, lifted her head and, standing beside her, supported it in his arms. "Jane," he said slowly, looking down into her pitiful eyes, "from what you tell me, I see that you have heard loose stories floating around."

"You, too, have heard them, Doctor. Why, oh, why didn't you tell me?"

"Jane!" exclaimed the doctor, driven from his last stronghold of reserve by the poignancy of her grief. "How the hell could I tell you a story involving those it did in such an affair? Actually, nobody knows just what the facts are. Now we must get started right. First you tell me all you heard. Then I'll tell you all I've heard—is that fair?"

Brokenly, and pausing at intervals to control her voice, Jane gave him the train story.

Carpy had bowed his head. "Well," he commented as she looked soberly up, "that's not far from what I've been told myself. But, Jane, I'm not a bit sure we have the facts in these stories. They all depend on the word of one of the worst characters in this country. Barney Rebstock wouldn't hesitate at anything low down in the whole range of crime—anybody in town will tell you that. He's not only an ex-convict but the biggest liar in this whole country."

"Doctor," she said solemnly, "does Bill know all that you and I know?"

"Jane," he answered in like, "Bill knows all that you and I know."

"Oh, I knew it. I knew it. To think that poor I should have brought this horror into his life!"

"Jane, that's not so. This might all have happened if you never had seen this country."

"I want you to do one last favor for me, Doctor. Will you?" asked Jane.

"What is it, Jane?"

"I want you to say to Bill that I freely release him from his promise of marriage; that I beg him to forgive me all I have innocently caused him to suffer—and that I will leave her forever—"

"Jane!" exclaimed her listener. She raised her hand, "I've not finished yet."

"Go on!" he snapped, bluntly. "My father has made me his heir to Gunlock ranch; he has no other heir. This morning I will make my will and bequeath whatever I inherit from my father to William Denison, to atone as far as I can for the wrongs my father has done him."

"Well!" remarked Carpy coldly. "That is all."

"And that is what you want me to tell Bill?"

"That, Doctor, is what I want Bill to know. Oh, if I had another to do it for me, dear Doctor, I wouldn't put it on you."

Carpy rose to his feet. "Jane, you're sending me on a fool's errand. But seeing I'm nothing but an old fool, I expect I'm just the man for the job. I can tell you now what he'll say as well as if I'd seen him and given him your message. But I know, of course, that wouldn't satisfy you. So I'll go—and go now."

"Now promise," he repeated, in parting, "you will stay right here in this office till I get back."

But she was ill prepared for what she saw when the office door was opened half an hour later and Dr. Carpy pushed Denison ahead of him into the office. Bill's eyes were bandaged. He groped a little with his hands, while the doctor guided him to a chair.

"Here he is, Jane," announced Carpy bluntly. "He can speak for himself."

She had not an instant to wait. No sooner did Denison feel himself seated in a chair than he held out his arms and said, apparently not with deep feeling, but with pained emotion, but in the most commonplace, every-day, matter-of-fact manner: "Where's my girl? Come here!"

drew up at the ranchhouse door. Jane alighted with a fast-beating heart.

Fortunately, when she got home, her father was out in the hills. Her welcome came from Quong; it sort of broke the ice of the home-coming. But she went to her room, got out her two old suitcases, dusted them off, laid them on her bed and, stripping the hooks of her closet and opening the drawers of her dresser, began almost furiously to pack.

While she was at this, she heard the heavy uneven steps of her father.

"Bill, I thought you ought at least to have a—"

"I've got a job in town, and I'm going there to work at it."

"What kind of a job?" she snorted. "I'm going to study nursing at the hospital."

"What the hell you goin' to do that for?"

"Because things have been done from here that make this place hateful to me. I couldn't stand it here any longer."

"What things you talkin' about?" She looked at him steadily. "I'm talking about burning Bill Denison's ranch house."

"What's that got to do with your quitting home?"

"Everything. Everybody's talking about that fire. Barney Rebstock has told that you paid him for setting fire to a neighbor's ranch house with men sleeping in it."

"Why, that fellow's the worst liar in Sleepy Cat. Nobody believes anything he says."

"I can tell you everybody believes it," she said, trembling. "Father, I am forced to unless you can convince me you had nothing to do with it. This wretch has had a pocketful of money."

Van Tambel regarded her with perfect poise. "Why, I did give him a little money. I'll say I've been sorry for him. I know he hates Bill Denison—a good many folks in this country's got no use for that—"

"Stop!" cried Jane. "Don't say anything against Bill Denison. He saved my life!"

"—that damned, dirty, ornery rustler and thief—"

Jane's eyes blazed. She stamped her foot. "Don't you dare!" she cried. "What you're saying about him is what every one in this country says about you."

"Yes? There's some damned mean people in this country," thundered her father. "Just look out for yourself, my lady! I don't know any more about that fire than you do. If Barney Rebstock wanted to get even with Denison, that's his business, not mine. You shut your trap."

"That's not all."

"More lies, eh?"

"McCrosen has told in town that you once tried to get him to set the house on fire and he refused to do it."

"He lies! He did do it! I gave him five hundred dollars to do it. He agreed to do it and took the money to do it. If he hired Barney Rebstock to start the fire that's his lookout! I left you here to watch things, and McCrosen has been running off my steers ever since I went to the hospital. He knows I know it. He knows I'm going to get after him. And I will," she shouted with a frightful oath. "Now look here! I'll tell you where you get off. You're not going a step to town! I know your scheme; you're going to live with that man Denison—"

"Father!"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Floyd Gibbons Adventurers' Club Hello Everybody!

"Red Death and Black Panic" By FLOYD GIBBONS Famous Headline Hunter

MILTON AUERBACH of Atlantic City, N. J., brings us today's thrill, and it happened to him on his first day back at work after being mustered out of service after the war. The war didn't give Milt much of anything to write home about, but the minute he got home things began to happen to him. That's the way it always is. Adventures happen most often right in your own back yard.

This one started with a cry and a roar. On January 7, 1919, shortly before five o'clock in the afternoon, a woman thrust her head out of a window on the fourth floor of the Sauer building on Penn avenue, Pittsburgh and screamed one word, "Fire." There was a moment of quiet. A fireman standing on the sidewalk turned and started to run toward his engine house. He had taken two steps when Hell burst its boundaries and began roaring in the streets of Pittsburgh.

Celluloid Films Exploded. There was a loud, shattering BOOM! A gush of smoke from a first floor window and a bright red flash streaked out from somewhere between the first and second stories. A man's body shot out of a window as though it had come from a cannon—head first. A man standing in front of the building was thrown halfway across the street.

Flame ran through the whole edifice—blazed fifty feet from the top of the roof. Highly inflammable celluloid films stored in the building had exploded and turned the whole place into a funeral pyre in which nine people eventually lost their lives.

Milt Auerbach was in an office on the sixth floor. There were eight of them there altogether—salesmen and stenographers busy at their respective desks making out reports and finishing up for the day. They heard the terrific report and made a dash for the door. "When we opened the door," says Milt, "we were enveloped in a SHEET OF FLAME. We turned, then and ran to the windows facing the street. By the time we reached them the flames were at our heels."

They Were Jumping to Death. Milt saw one of the girl stenographers escape through the window. Another one followed her. It was Milt's first day in the office. He thought there must be a fire escape down which the girls were fleeing. The porter



was climbing out of the window now, and Milt started to hurry so he could follow. Then the porter was gone and Milt started out the window after him. He pushed out his head and recoiled in horror.

There was NO FIRE ESCAPE there! Down below on the sidewalk he saw the bodies of the two girls and the porter.

Another girl tried to push by him. Milt caught her and she fainted. Still holding the unconscious girl in his arms he climbed out of the window and stood on a narrow ledge. With his free hand he clung to the window sill.

Inside the office the remaining salesmen were huddled in a corner the flames had not yet reached, shaking hands and saying good-bye to one another. Fire engines began to arrive in the street below. Everywhere a net, but from the sixth floor it appeared to be about the size of a dime. No one dared jump. Milt says, because it would have been impossible to gauge the distance to that net correctly. Other trucks were unreeling hose lines. Still others were raising ladders. But the hose lines didn't hold out much hope. Water would be of little help to the people trapped in the building. The ladders were their only hope.

He Couldn't Get to the Ladder. They were hoisting a ladder right under the ledge to which Milt was clinging, but to Milt's dismay they had it on the wrong side of the trolley wires and could not lean it against the building. The unconscious girl was getting heavier in his arms. His other hand, still clinging to the sill, was tired and just about ready to lose its hold.

Milt looked inside and noticed that the flames didn't seem to be coming any farther into the office. There was a little space in there that they did not cover. He bundled the unconscious girl back in through the window and followed, himself.

In other parts of the building, dense fumes were driving people to the upper floors. Fire began to spread to the building next door. Everywhere in the burning structure people were clinging to the windows as Milt Auerbach had, and the streets were filled with people shouting over and over again the monotonous warning refrain, "DON'T JUMP!"

On the sidewalk, dozens of limp, motionless bodies testified to the soundness of that advice. Few of those who jumped had landed in the nets. Now firemen were fighting their way inside the building. Two men, their clothes ablaze, but still alive, were carried out. A little farther in they found the body of a woman, her hair gone and her clothing in ashes, just a few feet from a stairway that would have led her to safety.

Milt Was Almost Electrocuted. Meanwhile, up on the sixth floor, Milt Auerbach waited impatiently for the firemen to raise their ladder again. "At last," he says, "a ladder did reach our floor. A fireman came up and relieved me of the girl in my arms. He carried her down to safety, and then the men followed."

That trip down the ladder was almost as bad as the suspense of waiting for it. It swayed alarmingly as Milt started down it. The rungs were far apart. Every step Milt took made him feel as if he were missing his foothold. Down he went. The bottom of the ladder was set in the top of the fire truck, and in order to get down from it Milt had to rest his hand on the back of one of the horses that drew it. That's where Milt got one final thrill. For as he put his hand on the horse's back an overhead electric wire broke. It fell, hit the horse, and sparks flew. Just as Milt landed on the ground, the horse fell beside him—STONE DEAD—ELECTROCUTED!

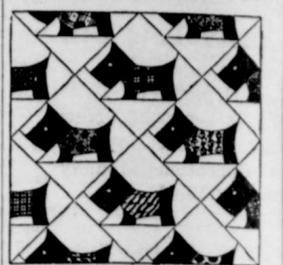
Nine people died in that fire, and many more were injured. The girl Milt had held on the window ledge was in a coma for months as a result of her ordeal. But Milt was lucky. He came out without a scratch.

Task Well Done Have you known the satisfaction that comes with a task well done? Of course you have. Every farmer knows that when a field has been well plowed, a fence properly built or the live stock made comfortable, he can end the day in a satisfied mood and go to his night's rest with a greater peace of mind than if he knows he has shirked a duty or slighted a job in the day's routine. "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might," is a good motto to follow.

Hand-Loom Weaving is an art which dates back to the beginning of civilization. Its greatest impetus in the United States took place during the Revolution when our supply of fabrics from the mother country was shut off. From then on, notes a writer in Successful Farming, until factory-made cloth became so cheap, it was developed extensively. By the middle of the last century, only a few hand looms were still in operation, and these only in isolated mountain regions

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Scotties to right of you, Scotties to left of you, and each one fun to piece for this amusing and colorful quilt. Here at last, your chance to use up scrap after scrap of gay cotton in the contrasting blankets, being sure to keep Scottie's squarish head and legs in a dark, uniform color. It's a world of fun to piece, and the pattern may also be used for a patchwork



Pattern 5673

pillow. In pattern 5673 you will find the Block Chart, an illustration for cutting, sewing and finishing, together with yardage chart, diagram of quilt to help arrange the blocks for single and double bed size, and a diagram of block which serves as a guide for placing the patches and suggests contrasting materials.

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U. S. Generals

Ten men have held the rank of general in the United States army. They are: George Washington, appointed June 15, 1775; Ulysses S. Grant, July 25, 1866; William T. Sherman, March 4, 1869; Philip H. Sheridan, June 1, 1883; John J. Pershing, Oct. 6, 1917; Tasker H. Bliss, Oct. 6, 1917; Peyton C. March, May 20, 1918; Charles P. Summerall, Feb. 23, 1929; Douglas MacArthur, Nov. 21, 1930; Malin Craig, Oct. 2, 1935.

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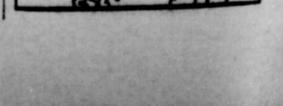
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THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

A yellow jacket stung me so. It hurt like everything. And I'd been very good that day. Fate's so unreasoning.



THE DIAMOND STATE



Delaware Girls Glazing Goatskins From India

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THE charm of Delaware grows mellow and more potent with age. Its effect is gradual, stealing almost imperceptibly upon the senses, yet altogether enthralling once it asserts its power. Unfortunate indeed is the traveler who, as too many do, dashes the length of the state in four hours on the main highway without pausing to savor its graciousness. Such a traveler may not even see a native Delawarean; for 82 per cent of the trucks, 66 per cent of all the motor vehicles on the highways are from outside the state.

Perhaps the Delawareans are a little to blame for not making themselves and their treasures better known to outsiders. They are a delightful people, genuinely hospitable, but effusive.

Houses exquisite with the patina of age are to be seen everywhere, but few of them are "restored," set apart as shrines, and labeled. They are homes that have passed from father to son for generations, growing old gracefully, receiving necessary, not disgusting, repairs, and keeping silence concerning the famous persons they have sheltered, the stirring events of their past. True, the Delaware Historic Markers commission has placed tablets here and there, but these are unobtrusive. To appreciate the real glamour of the state, one must bide a while and—forgive the pun—absorb "Delawareness" from the people.

Delaware is not obvious in its bid for attention. Measured by population and area combined, it is the smallest of states, having more square miles but fewer citizens than Rhode Island, and more people but far less territory than Nevada. It is only 110 miles long and its width varies from nine to 35 miles, but its citizens are forward-looking and its industries far-reaching.

Penn Bought It for 10 Shillings

A wit in congress once referred to it as a "sandspit on Delaware bay, with three counties at low tide and two at high." William Penn bought it from the Duke of York for 10 shillings, and Lord Baltimore disputed the ownership, claiming it under a prior grant from the king of England. Because of an ill-fated Dutch settlement in 1631 near the present site of Lewes, Baltimore lost the case, for his grant of *hactena inculca* specifically excluded land previously occupied by white men.

From its very beginning Delaware has been a subject of controversy. The families of Penn and Baltimore went to law over possession of "the three lower counties on the Delaware," and their claims occupied the attention of the courts for years. Penn landed at New Castle on October 27, 1682, and received from the citizens of that thriving village a bowl of water, a piece of turf, and a twig as earnest proof of his undisputed possession of the land, water, and forests within an area described on a radius of 12 miles from the New Castle court house. Thus was established the northern boundary of Delaware. Later Penn was awarded the southern part of what is now the state.

Unfortunately, the surveyors who described the area did not designate the exact length of the segment. The result of their oversight was more than two centuries of litigation over boundaries.

After the United States came into being, New Jersey and Delaware began to squabble over certain water and fishing rights on Delaware river and bay. Delaware claimed possession of the river and bay to low water on the Jersey side, and New Jersey insisted the boundary should be fixed at midstream.

Courts were in a quandary, shifting the boundary first to one side and then to the other. Both states sent commissioners to England to obtain evidence. It was not until February 5, 1834, that a final decision was handed down. The Supreme Court of the United States then determined that Delaware is entitled to all land and water within the 12-mile circle, and that below the circle the boundary shall be considered the middle of the ship channel. The two states were ordered to share equally in the costs of the litigation.

On its face that decision appears a mere compromise to settle a technical point; actually it has given rise to a remarkable situation. New Jersey capital for years has been building long wharves out into deep water within the 12-mile circle. Now comes the Supreme Court with a decision that these

wharves are in Delaware! New Jersey cannot arrest persons in Delaware without extradition papers. Yet these wharves now in Delaware belong to citizens of New Jersey. The problem has become so difficult that the two states have appointed commissioners to study it and formulate a solution.

Jefferson Called It "The Diamond"

Despite its diminutive area and scant population, Delaware has its grand moments. With only one member of the United States house of representatives to accompany its two senators to Washington, it takes precedence over its larger sisters in the parade of states; for it was the first to ratify the Constitution. Its deprecators are reminded, too, that Thomas Jefferson held it precious enough to dub it "the diamond"—a name that has clung to it to this day. Wilmington has historical authority for its slogan, "The First City of the First State."

Let it not be supposed, however, that the little commonwealth is content to rest on accomplishments of long ago. Though it treasures colonial customs, even to the retention of the whipping post for wife beaters, highwaymen, and other mean offenders, and though for more than a century it was sunken and backward, it now constantly seeks improvement. Its very smallness renders it admirable for political, economic, and sociological experiment. If a theory seems worthy of consideration, Delaware can give it quick trial and immediate adoption or rejection.

Two summers ago several serious traffic accidents occurred within a week because overweary drivers of freight vehicles fell asleep on duty. The secretary of state forthwith published an order requiring every driver of such vehicle to rest for at least two hours after each eight of driving and to limit his time on the road to 16 hours in any 24. The day after publication of the order motorists everywhere in the state were wondering at long lines of laden trucks drawn up alongside the highways.

No Property Tax There

Unique in the nation, the state has never levied a property tax. Its principal revenue for the general fund is from fees for corporation charters, most of which are granted to firms doing their major business outside its boundaries. To supplement this income, there is only a system of business, inheritance, and estate taxes and licenses, which in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1932, netted less than \$765,000.

Little Delaware, with a population of 238,380, ranks fourteenth among states in payment of taxes to the federal government. There is not a house within its boundaries more than four miles from a paved highway, and it has a statewide system of fine modern schools; yet for public improvements that have cost \$50,000,000 it has paid practically out of what is counted upon as current income in state financing.

There is something strong and sturdy about Delaware that finds expression in its attitude toward its problems. When former President Hoover sent a message to Governor Buck asking for an expression on the question of relief, the Delaware governor replied:

"I am in accord with your plans as made known to aid unemployment, and you may expect Delaware to co-operate in every way. Furthermore, the citizens of Delaware can be counted upon to provide financial help as is required to care for those in need in this state during the coming winter."

Governor Buck spoke simply for his fellow Delawareans. It is their pride that they take care of their own.

Wilmington is small enough to have a friendly and democratic society, large enough to escape the worst phases of provincialism. Men meeting on the street hail one another by their first names. If the Philadelphia visitor who said, "I now know that scrapple is an edible pork product, but I should like to learn what is a Biddle," had gone to Wilmington instead, she would never have been puzzled for a moment as to the meaning of du Pont.

Can Opener Popular

The can opener, which at one time was the object of a good deal of ribaldry, is an indispensable tool in every kitchen, for canned goods are about as high a quality of foods as it is possible to serve and their variety is extensive. Only the choicest and freshest of products go into the can.

Lace Is in Every Phase of Fashion

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



THE story of lace continues to unfold enchantment to an admiring world. It is not only that lace there is nothing lovelier with which to adorn as an expression of the "eternal feminine" but the significant thing we are coming to learn about lace is that in many of its modernized types it is absolutely practical for general wear. Through convincing demonstration in present-day fashions the theory has been utterly done away with that lace is a luxury to be reserved for "occasions" only.

The following might seem merely a pretty fairy tale to entertain. It is, however, a really and truly true story which has to do with the recent arrival from Paris of a prominent American who brought with her a perfectly exquisite and thoroughly practical wardrobe fashioned all of lace. Of course this collection embraced laces of versatile type for the lingerie as well as sports and evening clothes and every one of lace. The thrill uttermost and the argument conclusive as to the practicality of lace is a raincoat of handsome close-woven waterproofed lace. We hasten to assure that the raincoat has been put to the test time and time again, proving to be water repellent, and a sure protection.

To be sure, every worthy tale must have a moral or deliver a message and here it is—the happy possessor of this most charming and replete lace wardrobe is telling her friends that for travel lace clothes are eminently practical and satisfactory. Not only does lace prove flattering at all times but a vitally important thing about lace clothes is that pack them as hurriedly as you may they come out unwrinkled, maintaining a well groomed appearance without the necessity of pressing.

There is no end to the types of lace now available. You will find a lace tuned to your every need

and to every mood of fashion. In the lace story for winter, it is the daytime dress made of wool lace that is making the headlines. A stunning model is pictured in the foreground of the illustration. It is of suede-finished brown wool lace in a heavy fabric type which makes the perfect thing for daytime street wear. To trim this handsome frock, Piquet uses a stitched sheer fabric woven of wool the same as made the lace, bordering the square neck, for the sash belt and to finish the side seams. We venture to predict you'll be deciding on a wool lace frock for your "fashion-first" this winter.

You can see from the beguiling dance frock shown to the right that designers are doing delightfully original things with lace. Chanel's evening and dinner dresses in ankle-length were a feature of her recent showings in Paris. She has a particularly charming dress as pictured with a dipping hemline starting from the ankles in front, done in Chantilly lace in pink and in black. The tiers of the skirt are matched by the cap sleeves in alternating ruffles of pink and black.

The dress illustrated to the left was one of the hits in the Lelong collection, and considered by him one of the best of his creations. He did it in several fabrics, including lace. For the lovely gown here shown he used one of the lovely filmy laces now so modish in an interesting delicate patterning. The feature of the pleated sleeves is also carried out in the little black peplum which stands out in quaint bustle effect. The girlish is matching suede.

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REVERSIBLE CAPE

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



Complete tweed ensembles are excellent style. The model pictured is a Creed masterpiece done in terms of select wool weave such as declares its style supremacy. The cape is made reversible, which is a feature to be commended as it adds to the adaptability of the ensemble to occasion. Tailored suits of this type, with jacket suit and top cape, are a whole wardrobe in one.

RED IS IN FAVOR FOR EVENING WEAR

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

The fashionable set literally "saw red" at the brilliant first night functions of the winter season. Red velvet wraps, gowns of red taffeta and slipper satin, the gleam of red in nails and lips—the shades varied all the way from the subtle smoky reds to the brighter tones of ruby, coronation and mountie, or orange red.

Particularly effective is a red velvet gown, ermine-trimmed and worn with a white ermine wrap, and an artful Juliet cap or red over sleek blonde hair. The sleeves were long and bound with ermine at the wrists. An ankle-length wrap of faille taffeta in mountie red, very slim of waist and broad of shoulder was worn by a striking brunette.

Muffs are worn demurely small or large and debonair. A girl in bouffant black net under a slim black velvet wrap carried a large muff of white ermine tails, decorated with a spray of gardenias.

All-black splashed with color is again repeated and is second in favor to the predominating red.

Lamb-Trimmed Tunics

Three importantly dressed women recently observed at Longchamps wore tunic wool costumes, with the silhouette marked by Persian lamb borders. One coat by Jodelle used also a wide border of the lamb for a bib-like front collar.

High Hats

New highs are marked by many new hats. A youthful model by Agnes is of black antelope, draped and twisted to a high-point cone held by three long royal blue coq feathers.

Light-Footedness Is Cardinal Virtue of the Newfoundland Seal Hunters

Fleet Brings Back Milady's Shoes and Soap in the Raw.

"Milady, dressed in the height of fashion, rarely thinks of the storm-swept Arctic seas where sturdy ships have been crushed, burned, and blown up in the race to fill staunch hulls of the Newfoundland sealing fleet with seal skins and fat, from which her fine shoes, pinseal handbag, and costly toilet soap may be made," says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"With the lengthening days of March, thousands of mother seals come up through 'bobbing holes' and bear their young on the shifting ice fields north of Newfoundland. Innumerable little furry, white puppies lie among the ice pinnacles, gaining weight at the phenomenal rate of two or three pounds a day.

"Daddy seal goes off with his cronies to boast about his youngster. Mother seal stays home and does the work. Hour after hour she scours the adjacent icy seas for fish. She does not feed fish to her young, but gobbles great quantities herself so that she may provide abundant rich milk for her offspring.

"When a baby seal is about two weeks old and resembles a fat roll of butter, it may notice its mother sniffing the air suspiciously. Not far away a huge black hulk drifts close through shattered ice pans. A clamor of strange noises fills the air and odd two-legged creatures run out over the fields of ice. The baby seal is too much interested to be disturbed, but, as several of the intruders draw near, its startled mother

makes off with other grown-ups. Quickly they slip into the ocean through convenient breathing holes. The baby seal and its playmates wriggle toward the strangers.

"Early in March a small fleet of scarred, ice-breaking ships sail out of the bottleneck of St. John's harbor, bound for seal-peppered ice fields off Labrador. Steamers smash their way through grinding ice, guided by members of the crew in lookout 'barrels' high on the masts. Their cries of 'Seals ahead!' give the signal for frenzied preparations among the milling crews beneath.

"At the call, 'Over the sides!', nimble, raw-boned men jump out on spinning pans, armed with dog-wood bats having iron hooks and spikes, razor-sharp knives and light drag-ropes. Acres of moon-eyed white pincushions await the 'fishermen,' curious and unafraid. "The sealer attacks his quarry with his bat, expertly husks off the sculps (the skins and adherent fat), leaving the carcasses steaming on the ice. Three or four sculps are strung on a rope, by which the sealer hauls them to one of the colored marker flags where several men pile their catches. Later, the ship breaks through the icefields to these piles. The sculps are hoisted aboard and dumped into fat-soaked holds.

"Back in port, the fat-layers are cut off the pelts and rendered into a fine odorless, colorless oil. Rough skins are transformed into fine leather. The oil is a constituent of some soaps and also is used as a lubricant, as an illuminating oil, as an adulterant of cod liver oil and in treating leather. Seal skins are cut and sewn into boots, pocketbooks, and novelty leather goods."

His Name Is Kanani— and 58 More Letters

Believe it or not, but— Here's a lad whose name is Kananihoakouhomeopukaimanaolohiohihiokeaweewulamakookalani. Just to make it complete, the parents added Reginald Wilhelm.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Judd of Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, were not trying for an all-American record when they named their baby. They were just following an old Hawaiian custom. The name is translated "The beautiful aroma of my home at sparkling Diamond Hill is carried to the eyes of heaven."

Oh, yes, they will call him "Joe" for short.

Thought Volt-Aire Some New Refrigerator Stock

Some years ago, relates David L. Salmon in "Confessions of a Former Customers' Man," one of the most important among the floor traders of the New York Stock Exchange, who was long on nerve but terribly short on education, was invited to a literary affair in Greenwich village. A lady villager, sitting opposite him, leaned over and in the confidential manner, said:

"Mr. Meadows, what do you think of Voltaire?"

After giving the subject a deep ten second analysis, our Wall Street Wotan said:

"I think it will go much lower."

Earlier King Edwards

Britain has had an Edward the Elder, son of Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, who began his reign in the year 901; an Edward the Martyr, his great-grandson, and an Edward the Confessor, who died in 1066 and who prepared the way for the Norman conquest.



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MAIN STREET

Some of Hagerman's streets are a discredit to the town just now, and there seems to be no other way of getting to the center business section of town except over them.

Of course for a while there was the alibi of the sewerage system work necessitating the upheaval, and some of that is yet under progress.

But the main streets leading to town need to be worked and that very soon, or we may find that someone will pass up Hagerman and go on by. Sometimes psychologically speaking, minute causes are to blame, but this cause, a disgraceful main street, both east and west, is no trifle.

ARE WE WRONG?

In reviewing our history we find that when Edward VIII relinquished his kingdom he merely followed a precedent of Britain's former rulers, of bowing to a dictatorial (we think) Parliament.

Back in 1215 this began, when John was bullied into signing away his individual power, and since then attempts of suggestions have met with failure. Edward II was deposed; Richard II lost to starvation; Charles I lost his head, and thus the mighty empire's history records. And in this more recent abdication, a gesture of futility at retaining individuality, we wonder if it is not also a gesture of spokesman of the millions of this vast empire toward individual self ideas and rights.

County 4-H Clubs Elect Officers

New officers for county 4-H clubs were announced Monday by Mrs. Dorothy Hanny, district home agent, at Carlsbad.

With one exception, Cottonwood, the boys and girls organized separately this year, she said.

Officers for the girls organizations are as follows: Hope: Maxine Bunting, president; Margaret Butler, vice president, and Madie Reeves, secretary.

Malaga: Uldene Taylor, president; Lucy Fanar, vice president, and Thelma Walker, secretary.

Otis: Mattie Bee Tidwell, president; Onzell Janway, vice president, and Shirley May Ewers, secretary.

Officers of the Cottonwood club include: Maurice Bradley, president; Lois Howard, vice president, and Pryde Smith, secretary.

The other day a resident of Oregon tore Oregon's oldest newspaper from the wall of an old house. That's just another way The Advocate is used.

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BAPTIST CHURCH Lee Vaughn, Pastor

Sunday school 10:00 a. m. F. W. Sadler, superintendent. Morning service each second and fourth Sundays 11:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. R. M. Middleton, director. Evening service each second and fourth Sundays 7:30 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school 10:00 a. m. Ben F. Gehman, superintendent. Morning service 11:00 a. m. League 7:00 p. m. Evening service immediately following league. J. H. WALKER, Pastor.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Sunday school 10:00 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. N. Y. P. S. 6:30 p. m. Sermon 7:15 p. m. Mid-week prayer service Thursday evening 6:45 p. m. Oscar Kiper, Sunday school superintendent. Miss Naomi Jenkins, N. Y. P. S. president.

A hearty welcome awaits you. REV. P. B. WALLACE, Pastor.

"What makes you think there is a woman in the moon?" "No man would stay up there that long alone, and be out every night."

A fellow who works like a horse, seldom makes an ass of himself.

"This is a pretty snappy suit," remarked the baby as he was put into his rubber pants.

Painting the town red on Saturday and Sunday usually leave it blue on Monday.

O, he kissed her in the garden, The moon was shining bright; She was a marble statue, And was he drunk that night!

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, November 19, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that Hiram W. Horne, of Dexter, New Mexico, who, on January 27, 1932, made Homestead Entry, No. 044797, for All of Section 1, Township 13 S., Range 29 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 7th day of January, 1937.

Claimant names as witnesses: Archie M. Sartin, Jack Huffman, these of Hagerman, New Mexico, H. C. Garrison, of Dexter, New Mexico, Benjamin H. Chapman, of Roswell, New Mexico.

PAUL A. ROACH, 48-5t-52 Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, November 26, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that Daisy E. Phillips of General Delivery, Roswell, New Mexico, who, on November 20, 1931, made Homestead Entries, Nos. 044946, 044947, for S 1/2; S 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 Section 34, Township 13 S., Range 23 E., and Lots 3 and 4, Section 3, Township 14 S., Range 23 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, United States Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 14th day of January, 1937.

Claimant names as witnesses: Henry Frazor, F. L. Belew, Clinton Ragsdale, L. K. Waggoner, all of Dexter, New Mexico.

PAUL A. ROACH, 49-5t-53 Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, November 26, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that Earnest H. Hill, of Lake Arthur, New Mexico, who, on February 24, 1932, made Homestead Entries, Nos. 045331, 045332, for E 1/2 Sec. 7; S 1/4 NW 1/4; N 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 8; NE 1/4, Section 18, Township 15 S., Range 25 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, United States Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 7th day of January, 1937.

Claimant names as witnesses: F. C. Bates, E. R. King, Orron Smith, J. S. Huff, all of Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

PAUL A. ROACH, 49-5t-53 Register.

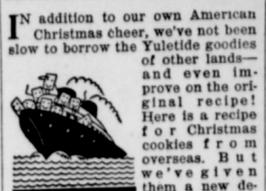
JUST KIDS—From Victory to Defeat.

By Ad Carter



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State Lease Sale on 10th Nets New Mexico Sum of \$6,713,766



In addition to our own American Christmas cheer, we've not been slow to borrow the Yuletide goodies of other lands—and even improve on the original recipe! Here is a recipe for Christmas cookies from overseas. But we've given them a new deliciousness, of a tender texture with the use of cake flour.

Honey Treasures 8 cups sifted cake flour; 1/2 teaspoon soda; 1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon; 1/4 teaspoon cloves; 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg; 1 1/2 cups strained honey (2 pound); 1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed; 1/4 cup water (6 ounces) candied orange peel, shredded; 1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) candied citron, shredded; 2 cups (1/2 pound) almonds, blanched and shredded. Sift flour once, measure, add soda and spices, and sift together three times. Boil honey, sugar, and water 5 minutes. Cool. Add flour, eggs, fruits, and nuts. Work into loaf and place in refrigerator. Let ripen 2 or 3 days. Roll 1/4 inch thick on slightly floured board. Cut in strips, 1 x 3 inches. Bake on greased baking sheet in moderate oven (350 F.) 15 minutes. When cool, cover with Glaze. These should ripen in cake box at least 1 day before they are served. Makes 10 dozen. Glaze for Honey Treasures: 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar; 3 tablespoons boiling water; 1 teaspoon vanilla. Combine sugar and water. Add vanilla. Beat thoroughly. Drop from teaspoon on cookie. Makes enough glaze to cover 10 dozen cookies. Note: Keeps 3 to 4 weeks.

The old narrow trails where two cars could barely pass without colliding are happily being replaced by splendid wide highways on which six or eight cars can collide at the same time.

Nine of the nineteen state lease tracts offered on December 10th by the state land commissioner sold to the highest bidder and netted the state \$6,713,766.

Ten of the nineteen tracts failed to receive a bidder at the time of the sale. These tracts were: 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17. Tract 2, consisting of 160 acres and located in 18-32, sold to P. Hawley of Los Angeles, California for minimum after sale or \$160. Tract 5, consisting of 360 acres and located in 32-19-35, sold to Shell Petroleum Corp., for \$420. Tract 8, consisting of 360 acres and located in 13-21-34, sold to Francis C. Wilson of Santa Fe for \$420.00. Tract 11, consisting of 160 acres and located in 22-34, sold to Phillips Petroleum Co., for \$356.00. Tract 12, consisting of 480 acres and located in sec. 1 and 2, twp. 23-34, sold to the Phillips Petroleum Co., for \$1,986.00. Tract 13, consisting of 1,120 acres and located in twps. 23-34, ranges 33, sold to Harry White of Hollywood for \$406.00. Tract 14, consisting of 399.23 acres and located in 18, ranges 28-29, sold to Olin Featherstone of El Paso, Texas for \$112.00. Tract 15, consisting of 400 acres and located in 20-30, sold to J. D. Atwood of Roswell for \$127.50. Tract 19, consisting of 400 acres and located in 20-30, sold to R. L. Halley of Carlsbad for \$1,344.28.

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HOW OFTEN CAN YOU KISS AND MAKE UP?

FEW husbands can understand why a wife should turn from a pleasant companion into a shrew for one whole week in every month. You can say "I'm sorry" and kiss and make up easier before marriage than after. Be wise. If you want to hold your husband, you won't be a three-quarter wife. For three generations one woman has told another how to go "smiling through" with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It helps Nature tone up the system, thus lessening the discomforts from the functional disorders which women must endure in the three ordeals of life: 1. Turning from girlhood to womanhood. 2. Preparing for motherhood. 3. Approaching "middle age." Don't be a three-quarter wife, take LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND and Go "Smiling Through."

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ARE YOU ONLY A THREE-QUARTER WIFE?

MEN, because they are men, can't never understand a three-quarter wife—a wife who is all love and kindness three weeks in a month and a hell cat the rest of the time. No matter how your back aches—how your nerves scream—don't take it out on your husband. For three generations one woman has told another how to go "smiling through" with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It helps Nature tone up the system, thus lessening the discomforts from the functional disorders which women must endure in the three ordeals of life: 1. Turning from girlhood to womanhood. 2. Preparing for motherhood. 3. Approaching "middle age." Don't be a three-quarter wife, take LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND and Go "Smiling Through."

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School Notes

The chapel program was held Wednesday at 1:45 p. m. The educational film was "The Brazilians and Their Fight Against Alligators."

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The eighth grade girls and the high school girls during the last two weeks have been having a volley ball tournament. They were to see who could win three games out of five and the losers must give the winners a party. The high school girls won the first three games and as it is near the Christmas holidays the games will not be continued.

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Last Friday night Miss Growden at the lovely home of Dub Andrus gave a Christmas party for the eighth grade. They played bingo and various games after which refreshments of hot cocoa and cookies were served to a happy group who reported a very good time.

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Christmas rhymes by the third grade:
Christmas is here
The merriest time of the year.
—Jack Nail.
Santa Claus comes but once a year
To bring gifts to the children dear.
—Glenyce Campbell.
Let all be happy
And full of cheer,
For Christmas time
Is nearly here.
—Joe Ford.

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December is here
And Christmas is near
Santa Claus with his sleigh soon
will appear.
—Anna Grace Smith.
Santa Claus, my dear old chum,
From the North Pole will come.
Over the house tops he will go
With his reindeers thru the snow
He loves little girls and boys
He brings them all kinds of toys.
He loves men and women, too.
When Christmas is over, he is
through.
—Donald Menefee.

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A doctor was examining the school children in an out of the way district—where they had just found oil. One of the youngsters was sadly under weight.
"You don't drink milk, do you, little girl?" he asked.
"Nope. We ain't hardly got enough for the hawks," was the answer.

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Wedding announcements, printed or engraved.—The Messenger.

A Line To You

BY E. M.

Do you know:—
The checker champion?
.....
The young lady who dressed a doll with clever hand-made clothes for the bazaar?
.....
That Tommy's sweetheart is in town?
.....
The gentleman who asked that we tell the public that he is positively not going to move? (If you don't, then ask the gentleman who moved his house).
.....
The blonde young lady who is going to be very happy and surprised over Santa's gift?
.....
The lady who said she is as proud of her new typewriter as of a new baby?
.....
Who chased all over town, his prize turkey which had escaped the morning following the shoot?
.....
Which "up and coming" young farmer is rapidly becoming a land baron?
.....
The interesting highlights on the Presbyterian bazaar, namely: Mrs. D. L. Geyer of Roswell has been a regular attendant for the past several years. Mrs. A. C. Harter, an old-timer, was present again, which gave it the air of early former days. That a number of generous-hearted people had dinners sent to invalids who were unable to attend.
.....
The fond grandparent who is making a doll house with plate glass windows, and other frills for the adored granddaughter?
.....
The young gentleman who requires hot chocolate for the "morning after" bracer?

SANTA FE LOSES SUIT

The Santa Fe railroad will have to pay a special Eddy county levy of .000155, made in 1933 to pay judgments, as a result of the state supreme court's decision in the railroad's test case, it was learned last week.

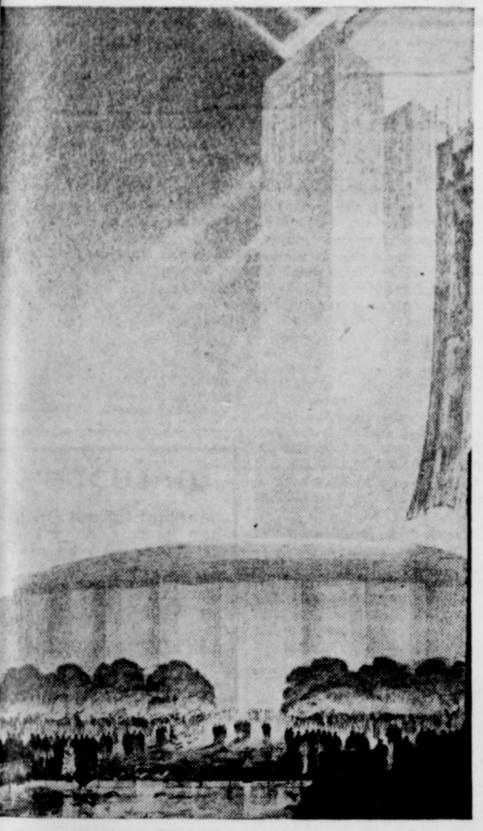
The supreme court was unanimous in its opinion on an appeal from the court of District Judge James B. McGhee.

The levy was attacked on the ground that it was in excess of the statutory five-mill limit for general county purposes.

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This massive tower, 250 feet high, will dominate the \$125,000,000 exposition in Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, which will open its gates to an estimated 50,000,000 visitors on April 30, 1939. Radiating out from the Theme Tower, which will contain a vast panorama depicting the America of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow, will be broad, tree-lined malls, promenades and avenues leading to the ten exhibit zones into which the Fair will be divided.

CLAY GREEN CAMP ELECTS OFFICERS

Members of Clay Green Camp No. 7, Veterans of the Spanish War, held a meeting in Roswell Sunday afternoon and elected officers for the ensuing year. T. H. Waggoner of Roswell was chosen commander; J. W. Kennedy of Artesia, vice commander; Harold Hurt of Roswell, junior vice commander. The remaining officers are to be appointed. On January 10th at Portales, the camp will install the new officers. Portales will serve lunch to members and their families at this time.

Well, now maybe we can read more about the impending European revolutions, since the Wally and Edward affair has been practically settled, after having had most of the newspaper front page last week.

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February 1, 1937

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Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted
by William Bruckart
National Press Building Washington, D. C.

Current Events in Review

By Edward W. Pickard
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Washington.—Observers of affairs in the national capital frequently get a different slant on statements by "close advisers of the President" or activities of "those in the inside" than persons living at distances from Washington. They are less likely to be misled in their conclusions as to the meaning of such statements or actions, come they may from "high sources," than others not closely in touch. Even this close contact by observers here does not always produce for them a definite finality on their conclusions because some things are simply impossible of proof.

The above statements are by way of directing attention to the inability of the corps of correspondents here to tell whether Dr. Stanley High was speaking with the approval or even the acquiescence of President Roosevelt when Dr. High espoused the opinions in Liberty Magazine recently to the effect that Mr. Roosevelt is in a mood to discipline the newspapers of the country. Dr. High, to summarize many words in his magazine article, rather forecast Mr. Roosevelt in his new term of office will not abandon his liberal policies but probably will chastise his enemies less than occurred during his first term—except the press. Certainly, Dr. High gave us all reason to believe that Mr. Roosevelt is pretty much disgusted with certain types of newspapers in this country and that he may be expected to "crack down" on them.

The consensus among the writing fraternity in Washington is that Dr. High has an opportunity at least to know the Presidential mind. He has virtually lived with it during the last six months and there can be no doubt that he had opportunities during that time of talking formally and informally with the Chief Executive in a manner not permitted more than a few persons. On this basis, if on no other, one would be led to believe that Dr. High was writing in a sense a reflection of Mr. Roosevelt's thoughts, yet, as I said at the beginning, none of us can be sure.

While Dr. High definitely is in a position as an adviser to the President to know the trend of Mr. Roosevelt's mind, he was delightfully general in the discussion of the President's future program except as to the press. Again, it may be much ado about nothing. So many of the Presidential advisers and insiders have been writing and talking and acting in the last three years that it is difficult to tell which is the real story. It may be, therefore, and I believe this is the best answer—that Dr. High has turned loose a toy balloon. If this balloon is blown the wrong way by comments from the nation, you probably will hear no more about a discipline for the press. If the comments are friendly, another story may be expected and its nature is not now to be forecast.

Assuming now that Dr. High has faithfully presented the President's thoughts on the newspapers of the country, it seems entirely proper that the suggestion be examined from the viewpoint of national welfare.

Dr. High, to be sure, made clear in his article that the President's efforts to reform the press will be addressed only to those newspapers which engage in misrepresentation, color their news or are guilty of unfair journalism. I believe that the vast majority of our newspapers properly are jealous of the integrity of their policies. I believe that the vast majority of our editors regard the responsibility of leadership as something quite sacred and not to be tainted. In the same breath that we mention the President's purported thoughts and the attitude of most newspapers, one cannot help but recall that at least three-fourths of all newspaper circulation in the recent Presidential campaign was opposed to President Roosevelt's re-election.

Thus, and in view of these circumstances, it may be disconcerting to a good many people to read the strong language that Dr. High has used in reflecting the implications of the Presidential mind. To that school of thought, the Doctor's language, if it means anything, means that Mr. Roosevelt proposes to take steps, directly or indirectly, to make the entire press of America conform to his ideas of what constitutes "fair journalism."

In other words, if their interpretation of the High article is correct, there can be intimidation of the press from the White House. The intimidation could come from Presidential tongue lashing of newspapers or any one individual newspaper which the President believed was guilty of "unfair journalism." The net result of such a course, naturally, would be a fearful press and a fearful press obviously never has presented and never will present its impartial judgment; it will

never answer back and it probably will never fight out the issues in which it believes and to which it may have been committed theretofore.

I do not defend unfair newspapers and I do not believe anyone else can defend them. Newspapers, because of their position as leaders, must conform to the maximum of honesty. I think, however, that the number of unfair journals is declining because public sentiment gradually drives them out of business. If Mr. Roosevelt actually has in mind the things presented by Dr. High, then a wave of resentment is likely to arise and that wave of resentment in itself will not help in the movement to drive out unfair newspapers. At least, that is the conviction that seems to prevail among the several hundred capable observers here in Washington. Only a few, as far as I can discern, believe that the President can get away with the program which Dr. High outlined in his behalf.

Colonel Edwin A. Halsey, secretary of the senate, recently has had compiled some facts and figures on proposals for constitutional amendments that are strikingly interesting. First, the fact that there have been 3,759 proposals for constitutional amendments in the nation's history, and only 21 of them succeeded and became a part of the Constitution, is to me most significant. It shows very definitely, I believe, that our people are slow to make changes in the fundamental law of our country and that they do not make these changes until there is something approximating unanimity of belief that they are necessary.

Colonel Halsey's compilation disclosed the further interesting fact that economic conditions have a direct link with and reflect rather accurately the desires of the people to alter or revise the Constitution. It seems that when there is plenty of work and plenty of profit and the nation is going along happily, even few of the demagogues have thought about amending the Constitution. But let hard times descend upon us, let there be millions of unemployed and hundreds of thousands of persons destitute and forward comes a perfect deluge of proposals to change the Constitution.

Very accurate proof of the above statement is given in the records for the last ten years, that is, from 1926 to 1936. The most important political question agitating the congress during the first part of this decade was the proposal to change the date upon which the President and Vice President and congress take office. Latterly, and after the prosperity bubble burst, the depression brought its own flock of proposals for changing the Constitution.

Colonel Halsey disclosed that there had been 20 proposals which would authorize congress to deal with working hours and wages; 7 which would have given congress authority over agricultural production and 9 limiting the power and authority of the Supreme court to declare acts of congress unconstitutional or otherwise modify court jurisdiction. There were two suggested amendments that would have placed in the hands of congress virtual power to control the general welfare of the nation.

The Halsey document also reflects maneuvers of various blocs and schools of thought and likewise tells a very clear story of our nation's sashay into the field of national prohibition. National prohibition was a long time in coming and there are many who believe that it was forced upon the country too soon. That is to say it was made operative before a sufficiently large majority of the people were in favor of it. This seems to be substantiated by the figures which show that during the last decade, there were 135 proposals for repeal of the 18th amendment out of a total of 479 resolutions for constitutional amendment. In other words, had there been anything like the necessary popular majority in favor of prohibition, we would have seen very few attempts in congress to repeal the liquor control amendment.

A Wooden Wedding
Every member of the bridal party at Bellingham, New South Wales, was named Wood. The bride was Dulcie Wood, the bridegroom James Wood. Her sister, Marion Wood, appeared in the role of bridesmaid; the bride's brother, also James Wood, was best man. Rev. Gordon Wood conducted the marriage service, while his wife played the wedding march. Other Woods attended as singers at the wedding reception and feast following the ceremony. What made the ceremony more remarkable was that the members of the unrelated families, all bearing the name of Wood, were among the guests.

Mrs. Simpson Offers to Free King Edward

DISTRESSED by the storm over King Edward's proposal to marry her, Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, lovely American divorcee, took refuge in the villa of friends at Cannes, France, and there made a dramatic gesture of renunciation. Through Lord Brownlow, gentleman-in-waiting to the king, she gave the correspondents this statement:

"Mrs. Simpson, throughout the last few weeks, has invariably wished to avoid any action or proposal which might hurt or damage his majesty of the throne. 'Today her attitude is unchanged and she is willing, if such action will solve the problem, to withdraw forthwith from a situation that has become both unhappy and untenable.'"

This offer to abandon her romance was transmitted to London and all the world awaited the response of the king, in his seclusion at Fort Belvedere. Unhappiness is the fate of both Edward and "Wally," whatever the decision may be. If the king relinquishes the woman and retains the throne, Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin and the cabinet, together with the aristocratic caste, will have scored a victory, but the contest between the new and the old will certainly be renewed in other form.

At the time when Mrs. Simpson gave out her statement, it appeared that the king had scored a point. Mr. Baldwin, having failed signally to induce the monarch to abandon his determination to wed Wally, gave in to the extent of side-tracking the abdication issue and giving King Edward ample time to come to a final determination. He told the house of commons this and related the whole story of the controversy which, he said, was precipitated by the king himself when he informed the prime minister of his intention to marry Mrs. Simpson whenever she should be free. Mr. Baldwin said the king "will no doubt" communicate his decision in good time "to the government in this country and the dominions." He added: "It will then be for those governments to decide what advice, if any, they would feel it their duty to tender him."

Replying to a warning from Winston Churchill that the government must not try to "extort" abdication from the king, Mr. Baldwin said: "It has always been, and remains, the earnest desire of the government to afford his majesty the fullest opportunity of weighing the decision which involves so directly his own future happiness and the welfare of all his subjects."

But, he added, both the government and the king were aware that "considerable prolongation of the present state of suspense and uncertainty would involve the risk of gravest injury to national and imperial interests."

In what the prime minister said it was made evident the king never had stated his intention of making Mrs. Simpson queen; and it appears the monarch was told that neither his government nor those of the dominions would countenance legislation making possible a morganatic marriage, which Edward desires. On King Edward this point neither the king nor the cabinet has yielded, and to date Edward has shown no intention of abdicating.

Having learned all about the Simpson affair when the British press dropped its self-imposed silence, the British public took hold of it with excitement and enthusiasm. Crowds paraded in London, carrying banners with such inscriptions as "God Save the King From Baldwin." They booed cabinet members and the archbishop of Canterbury, who was steadfast against the marriage, and surged about Buckingham palace in great throngs.

to Great Britain and Belgium if they were attacked without provocation. He also said that France soon would propose at Geneva "a practical plan for reduction of armaments which will include provisions for publicity on military expenditures and limitation of air forces."

Mr. Hull Offers Eight "Pillars of Peace"

HEADS of 21 delegations to the peace conference in Buenos Aires outlined national policies, and among them was Secretary of State Hull, who proposed a program containing what he termed "eight pillars of peace" upon which rest peace and prosperity. These were:

1. Internal quiet and education.
2. Frequent international conferences.
3. Swift ratification of existing peace pacts.
4. Adoption of a common neutrality policy.
5. Fair and equal commercial policies.
6. Practical international cooperation.
7. Strengthening of international law.
8. Faithful observance of the sanctity of treaties.

"There is no need for war," Hull said in his address. "There is a practical alternative policy at hand, complete and adequate. It is no exclusive policy aimed at the safety or supremacy of a few, leaving others to struggle with distressful situations. It demands no sacrifices comparable to the advantages which will result to each nation and to each individual."

"Peace can be partially safeguarded through international agreements. Such agreements, however, must reflect the utmost good faith; this alone can be the guarantee of their significance and usefulness."

Next day Mr. Hull offered a neutrality pact for all American republics. His plan would create a permanent inter-American consultative committee to co-ordinate existing peace instruments and bring agreement on a common neutrality policy, based on the United States' neutrality theory.

Midland Steel Strike Ended by Agreement

EMPLLOYEES of the Midland Steel Products plant at Detroit returned to their work, having voted to accept a settlement of their strike which included wage adjustments and abolition of the piece work system. The strike had been seriously felt by the automobile industry.

The peace terms, which union leaders called a "90 per cent victory" for employees, provide for recognition of the union, a 45 hour week, time and a half pay for overtime and holidays, an increase of 10 cents an hour on the base rate of pay, and a 10 per cent increase on piece work until it is eliminated, which is to be done as rapidly as possible.

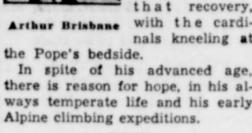
Pope Pius XI Stricken With Leg Paralysis

STRICKEN with paralysis that affected both his legs, Pope Pius XI was believed to be in a serious condition because he already was afflicted with asthma, arterio sclerosis and high blood pressure. At first the holy father flatly refused to submit to a medical examination, saying "I am in the hands of God," and he even insisted on dictating and signing letters. But later he was persuaded to take complete repose, which his physicians said was vitally necessary. Father Agostino Gemelli of Milan, a medical expert, was summoned to Vatican City and gave out a statement indicating that rigid measures were being taken to stave off possible uremic poisoning.

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

The Pope's Health One Pillar Missing Big London Fire A Pretty Good Country.

News, far more important than any English royal marriage controversy, concern the health of Pope Pius. The whole world, admiring the Pope's character and his loyal efforts for peace, hopes earnestly for his speedy recovery, while millions that follow the Pope's spiritual guidance pray for that recovery.



Arthur Brisbane

With all respect for the secretary's earnestness, it must be said that the most important "pillar" for the United States is not found among the eight.

The interesting pillar is a protective force of airplanes and submarines so great as to make any attack upon this country unthinkable. When John L. Sullivan lived, no one hit him.

London's Crystal palace, covering 17 acres, went up in flames, visible for 50 miles. London has not seen so great a fire since "the" great fire of 1666. That fire started at one o'clock in the morning in a house in Pudding lane; you may read some interesting details in Pepsy's diary. Burning four days, the fire caused great destruction, but did good in the end. It wiped out, for one thing, the great plague of London, that made the citizens mark their doors with a red cross and "Lord, have mercy upon us," and caused the grass to grow in London's streets. London was rebuilt of brick; after the fire no more wooden houses, and streets were made wider. Our misfortunes often improve us.

Former President Hoover, just now in New York, smiles at the suggestion that he plans to leave this country and take up his residence in England. The former President, in spite of the "Maine-Vermont" incident, thinks this is a pretty good country and he is right; it made him President.

This is "the day of woman," as a well-known religious leader said. Hongkong tells of a lady, chief of pirates, looting a ship, taking \$10,000, displaying unusual ability and ferocity.

The airplane, in a better way, helps to establish woman's more-than-equality. Capt. Mollison starts through the air from England to Africa, trying to beat the record of his own wife, not that of some other man. Flying records depend upon the machine and the nerve of the pilot. Women have more nerve and physical courage than men have ever had, although men don't know it.

Washington reports that the President, using the discretion given him by congress, will order the construction of two battleships, to cost \$50,000,000 each. Many will hope that the statement is mistaken, especially as the President is said to be doing this to "match Britain's move."

If you should build those battleships, squandering \$100,000,000 of the public money on them, and then be foolish enough to send them out, in case of war, a couple of \$50,000 airplanes would sink them, or low-priced submarines would blow them up.

If you have imagined at any time that the United States has lost its interest in kings, titles and nobility, turning away from such things in its complete, simple-hearted democracy, look at your newspaper and see how many columns and pictures it prints about Britain's king and his proposed marriage at this time; and observe, if you dine out, the general subject of conversation.

It was truly a marvelous reception that Buenos Aires and the entire Argentine Republic, its President, cabinet and people, gave to the President of the United States. An enthusiastic crowd of a million and a half crowded every street in the great Argentine city, now in the spring season, and most pleasing were two words used by the Argentine president, Justo, "Mi amigo" ("my friend"), as he greeted the American President.

Those two words, mi amigo, extended in all sincerity from one end of the two American continents to the other, would solve the American peace problem, and this country need not worry about the two words popular in Europe and Asia—"MY ENEMY."

Decorating for Christmas—Some Handsome Window and Room Ornaments That Are Inexpensive

WHILE windows may have been decorated for Christmas before now, the arrangements indoors seldom are made until the day before the holiday. The freshness of the beauty is wanted without any diminution. If the novelty has worn off, some of the zest of Christmas is lost. This is so true that many homemakers refuse to have windows trimmed more than a day or so prior to Christmas.

If you happen to be among this latter group, let me suggest that you take sprays of a tree that is misshapen and so very cheap and make a splashing bow of red crepe paper for each and hang one in every front window downstairs. Or have one in each downstairs window that is discernible from the street.

Ornamenting the Spray.
You can dot the spray with holly berries, or whatever you have in addition to the green. Or you can dip popped corn in red stain or dye, and touch the kernels with glue and secure them to the sprays. These notes of red, with their irregular shapes, are intriguing, sometimes being mistaken for berries and sometimes for flowers.

Bank the Mantelpiece.
Bank the mantelpiece over the fireplace where the stockings are hung, using sprays of the green intermingled with holly, mistletoe, pine cones, bayberries, or silvered or other metal painted motifs such as acorns, fine twigs with many fronds, etc. When everything is fixed to your fancy twine a string of wee colored Christmas tree electric lights through the greens. These will look ornamental by day and have a glamor when lighted during the evening.

Christmas Greens Fill Baskets.
Baskets filled with greens and dotted with the novelty units lend notes of appropriate Christmas decoration. Any small baskets will do for this purpose. There generally are some about a house, but if not, metal paint or green stain some of the little market baskets such as strawberries, brussels sprouts or tomatoes come in. Make a rope or lengths of paper braid for the handles, painted or stained

to match the basket. If a length of picture wire has been wound with the strands of paper rope and braid, these handles will keep their shape when ends have been thrust inside the baskets close to their opposite sides. The handles can be wired or glued to the baskets.

Bouquets.
Bouquets of Christmas greens in vases can be put in rooms other than the living room and dining room, and give their beauty of Christmas about the house. Be sure to use vases and bowls that have broad standards, lest the uneven weight of the greens tips them over.

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THIS BOOK DOWN AND PENS JUNIOR UP IN LAP AS HE MIGHT HAVE KNOWN HE'D HAVE TO DO ANYWAY.

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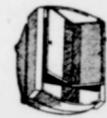
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Social Calendar

The L. C. club will have their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Ernest Utterback, Tuesday, December 22nd. All members be present.

The Thursday club will have their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Harry Cowan, Monday, December 21st, at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. Harry Cowan, Mrs. Heitman and Mrs. Pardee as co-hostesses.

The Girl Scouts will meet at the home of Miss Esther James, Monday, December 21st, at 3:00 o'clock. All Scouts urged to be there.

The Belle Bennett Circle of the Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Dacus Parker on Wednesday, December 23rd, for their Christmas meeting.

The Guild will meet Friday, December 18th, at the Presbyterian church basement.

**JESSE MORGAN RECEIVES
CAPTAIN'S COMMISSION**

Jesse Morgan, brother of Mmes. T. D. Devenport and Robert Cumpsten, recently received his captain's commission at Espanola. Mr. Morgan spent several months in training last year at Ft. Benning, Georgia. He has studied military training since his high school days in Hagerman and received his first lieutenant's commission at Ft. Benning.

THURSDAY CLUB MEETS

The Thursday club met with Mrs. J. T. West last week on Thursday. Mrs. Cass G. Mason was leader and her subject was "Drugs and Our Health." Many facts were made known to the ladies that they had not known before. Those present were Mmes. J. E. Wimberly, C. G. Mason, E. A. Paddock, Hal Ware, W. L. Heitman, T. D. Devenport, Willis Pardee, Harry Cowan, Robt. Conner, Sam McKinstry and J. T. West.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONARY

The society met on Monday afternoon with Mrs. T. D. Devenport. The lesson from their study book, "The American Negro," was reviewed by Mrs. C. G. Mason. Mmes. C. G. Mason, J. E. Wimberly, Marie Menoud, Robt. Cumpsten, Bayard Curry and the hostess were present. Cookies and tea were served.

BUFFET DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King entertained Sunday with a buffet dinner in honor of their daughter and husband who have been visiting here. Those present for this lovely affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Orvis J. Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. Louie King and family, Dr. and Mrs. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus King, and Neil, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Streety and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Schierholt, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. King and son and Floyd McNamore.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Misses Frances Welborne and Frances Mountcastle were hostesses last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Welborne to a Christmas party. Bridge was the amusement. Mrs. Kern Jacobs won high score.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. Brennon Witt, E. R. McKinstry, Dub Andrus, Cliff Hearn, Kern Jacobs, Ramon Welborne, Misses Almarretta Growden, Jessie George, Georgina Silliman, Peggy Harrison, Lindsey and Mary Jones.

COMPLIMENT MRS. ALLEN

Mmes. Johnnie Allen and Jackie Downes were co-hostesses on last Friday at the I. E. Boyce home, complimentary to Mrs. Roy Allen. As a compliment to the honoree, lovely gifts were given her by the twelve friends present. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served.

LEAGUE PARTY

The Methodist Young Peoples League, sponsored by Mrs. J. H. Walker, had a very enjoyable time Friday evening at the undercroft of the church. Games were enjoyed and cookies and cocoa were served to a large crowd.

The Methodist Missionary Society held their Harvest Day program on Wednesday at the undercroft. A covered dish lunch was served at the noon hour. The program was given after the lunch hour. It was a clearance of the year's work. Mrs. Harry Cowan was leader. Several songs were sung and Mmes. J. H. Walker and E. A. Paddock gave meditations; Mrs. Louie Burck gave a mono-

logue; Mrs. Dacus Parker gave a report on the Belle Bennett Circle. Those present were: Mmes. W. E. Graham, Sara Walton, Earl Stine, Dacus Parker, Bert Bailey, Lester Hinrichsen, Lloyd Harshey, E. A. Paddock, Flora West, C. W. Curry, J. H. Walker, Harry Cowan, Louie Burck, Tom McKinstry, J. F. Campbell, Carl Ridgeley and Miss Esther James.

**PARTY COMPLIMENTING
MRS. BOYKIN FRIDAY**

A cheerful holiday spirit prevailed last Friday afternoon at the undercroft of the Methodist church when Mrs. Jack Menoud, Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten and Mrs. Richard Key entertained complimentary to Mrs. Lee Roy Boykin. A gaily decorated Christmas tree served as decorations and it was laden with beautifully tied gifts for the honoree. Games were enjoyed and the honoree proudly displayed her gifts. Refreshments of cookies and coffee were served by the hostesses to about seventeen.

DAVIS-ALLEN

Miss Edna Mae Davis and Henry Allen were married last Saturday in Roswell by Justice of the Peace Pat O'Neill in his court room. This marriage was the culmination of a romance begun back at the old home, Haskell, Texas, where both young people formerly lived. Mr. Allen is a brother of Mmes. Travis and Ernest Harris. The young couple will reside on the Geo. Wade farm southwest of town.

**RECORD REVENUE FROM
LAND OFFICE FOR 1936**

SANTA FE—State Land Commissioner Frank Vesely Saturday said the revenue of his office for the 1936 calendar year would approximate \$2,600,000, a record amount.

NOTICE

The adjourned regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hagerman Irrigation Company will be held in the office of the company at 1:00 P. M., on Tuesday, January 19, 1937.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and any other business which may come up at that time.

W. A. LOSEY,
Secretary.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Hagerman, New Mexico, will be held in the directors room of the said bank at 2:00 o'clock p. m., the second Tuesday of January (January 12, 1937) for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be properly presented at that time.

W. A. LOSEY,
President.

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Dexter Items

Mmes. L. Martin and Breeb Hurst were shoppers in Roswell this week.

Raymond Durand, Bob McNeil and Earl Lattimer transacted business in Hagerman Monday morning.

Three committees from the Dexter Woman's club, namely, community service, public welfare, and beautification, will sponsor a Christmas carol program at the lighted community tree in Elford park on the nights of December 22, 23 and 24. The first two nights the carols will be sung by groups of mixed adult voices and on the third night by the Girls Glee club, directed by Mrs. Carl Carruthers. The programs will be between six-thirty and seven o'clock.

LOVELY CHRISTMAS PARTY

On December 10th the Dexter Woman's club held its annual Christmas party. The club room was beautifully decorated in the season's colors of red and green with a large lighted tree at one end. At one o'clock a bountiful turkey luncheon was served from long tables gaily decorated to harmonize with the room.

After lunch a brief business session was presided over by the president, Mrs. L. Parker. Plans were discussed and completed for serving the Dexter high school alumni banquet during the holidays. Mrs. Parker urged everyone to encourage the members of the Junior Woman's club by entering the Christmas lighting contest which they are sponsoring. Mrs. Willey, chairman of community service, announced that plans were completed for different groups to sing carols around a lighted tree in the park on December 23, 24 and 25.

The responses to roll call on the subject, "A Christmas Thought," were many and beautiful. The social part of the program was in charge of Mrs. I. W. Marshall, chairman of the social committee. Each member on arrival had placed a ten cent gift with a verse attached in a box and names were drawn for exchange. Master Wayne Marshall, dressed as Santa Claus, appeared with his pack and delivered the gifts to the members, and the accompanying verses were read. Other entertainment features were two guessing contests.

This delightful party was brought to a close by the club octette singing two lovely carols, "Silent Night" and "Holy Night." The hostesses were Mmes. Marshall, Krukenmeier and Harris. About forty members and guests were present.

Local Ginnings

Bolls continue to come in, and ginnings are holding a good record for output. Local gins reporting are: Farmer's gin, 2,876; Akin

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