

Ranger Times

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The Panhandle of Texas has a road building program aggregating \$2,000,000 for the present year.

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Cisco and Ranger All-Stars To Battle Friday

TWO TEAMS TO PLAY GAME ON LILLARD FIELD

Starr Of Two Towns Will Be Seen In Action On New Years.

Another big all-star football game has been scheduled for Ranger, this time between the Cisco All-Stars and the Ranger All-Stars. The game is to be played at Lillard field, Ranger, on New Year's day at 2:30 o'clock.

The game has been matched between the two teams in order that those who did not see the game on Christmas day may see the Ranger stars in action next Friday. The proceeds of the game will go to the Ranger and Cisco fire departments.

The probable starting lineup will see many of those who have won fame on the gridirons of the two towns in action. Many of these gridirers have gone on to college careers on the football field and are making good in a big way in the fast company.

The game will be called at 2:30 sharp. Admission will be 25 cents for school children and 50 cents for adults.

The tentative lineup of the Ranger All-Stars is as follows:

Horton will start the game at center with Mitchell and Bumpers on each side of him as guards. At the backfield position will be Miller and Swofford with Onus Mills and Landers at ends. The backfield will be composed of Buster Mills at quarter, Hammett and McLaughlin at halves and Hamilton at fullback.

On the Cisco All-Stars will be Grist at center with Miller and Moulton at guards. Blanton and Cole will probably start at the tackle positions with Van Horn and Christian at ends. In the backfield Kellough will probably start at quarter with Wilson and Little at halves and Eddie-man playing fullback.

The two teams are thought to be more evenly matched than were the Breckenridge and Ranger teams which played on Christmas day and a hot contest is expected to be seen when the two teams line up for the kickoff at 2:30 Friday.

Fire Chief G. A. Murphy will be in charge of the game, assisted by the chief of Cisco. Officials for the day have not been announced, but it was said that good men had been secured for those positions.

Lost Man Found In Death Cell



Stranger than fiction is the story of Everett T. Mull, above, Morgantown, N. C., contractor, who disappeared last May. Search for Mull ended recently when letters from him revealed that he is in the death cell at Nevada penitentiary awaiting execution under the name of John Hall. He was convicted of killing a man at Las Vegas in a quarrel over money.

CONDITIONS IN TEXAS REPORTED IMPROVED BY THE RESERVE BANK

DALLAS, Dec. 30. (UP)—Noticeably improved conditions in both wholesale and retail business channels and in agriculture, finance and industry were noted during November in the eleventh federal reserve district.

The monthly business review released today by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas said a steady though moderate demand for both wholesale and retail merchandise was in evidence in the district during the past month.

The number of commercial failures in the district during November, while higher than a year ago, reflected a noticeable decline from the preceding month, according to the review. The indebtedness of defaulting firms was in smaller volume than in either the previous month or the corresponding month of 1930.

The agricultural and livestock industries accrued great benefit from the heavy general rains during November, the review said. Moisture conditions throughout the district were described as favorable and livestock ranges were said to have shown a noticeable improvement.

Federal reserve bank loans to member banks after reaching a peak at \$26,068,000 early in November, reflected a gradual decline during the subsequent six weeks and stood at \$19,650,000 on Dec. 15. The latter figure, however, was considerably larger than that on the corresponding date of 1930.

Activities in the Texas textile and clothing industries during November reflected a small increase over the previous month, due partly to the resumption of operations at some mills and to increased operating schedules at other mills. Both the consumption of cotton and the production of cloth continued satisfactorily above those in the corresponding month of 1930.

In the section of the review devoted to business it was noted that while the month of November witnessed a seasonal slackening in the demand for merchandise, conditions within the district, sales in all lines except farm implements reflected less than the usual seasonal recession, and comparisons with the corresponding month a year ago were better than had registered in several months.

Activities in the district during November reflected a slight increase as compared to the corresponding month of the previous year. The comparison with the corresponding month showed a decline of 14.5 per cent, which is much less than the recession that usually occurs in November.

Stocks of merchandise on hand at the close of November reflected a decline of 2.8 per cent over the corresponding month earlier, and continued 21.4 per cent below the same date a year ago.

November collections remained on the same level as those a month earlier, but showed a decline from a year ago. The ratio of collections to outstanding November 1931 was 32.9 per cent as compared to 34.4 per cent in November, 1930.

A good supply of moisture now obtains in most sections of the district, the review said. While the wet weather delayed fall plowing and planting, the moisture in the soil, the work is well advanced. Winter wheat and oats, which suffered from the lack of moisture in September and October, have made good progress during the past six weeks due to the better moisture conditions. Cattle and sheep are now reported to be in a generally satisfactory condition.

The acreage planted to most winter truck crops is considerably smaller than a year ago. Shipments of cabbage are heavier than in the fall of 1930, and in response to a good demand, prices being received by growers are better than a year ago. Shipments of carrots and fall tomatoes are also exceeding those of the previous season. On the other hand, farm products of apples and potatoes are falling considerably short of a year ago. Shipments of citrus fruits from the Rio Grande Valley continue in large volume.

Offers to Wed For \$7000



Termed himself "the answer to a maiden's prayer," Corporal Amos J. Burcham, above, of Fort Leavenworth, Kan., has offered to marry any woman of any age who will give him \$7000. He says he is a better bargain than the Chicago man who made the same offer for \$10,000.

REPRIMAND IS GIVEN BY GARNER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Speaker of the House John N. Garner today sharply rebuked two of his leaders concerned with tax legislation for issuing statements that were interpreted in some quarters as outlining a democratic tax program.

He advised the two, Democratic Floor Leader Henry T. Rainey, Illinois, and Chairman James W. Collier, of the ways and means committee, to remain silent until a tax program is formulated.

He then turned upon Undersecretary of Treasury Ogden L. Mills with sharp criticism for taking his statements as the occasion for an attack on democratic tax policies.

"Mr. Mills set up a straw man as he does frequently and then said, referring to the under-secretary, 'knocked it down,' the speaker said.

"Ogden Mills is talking through his hat. If he knows what the democratic tax program is, I wish he would tell me. If anyone knows what the democratic tax program is I would like to know about it," Mr. Garner said.

"Mr. Mills fixed up his own case, and then tried to fix one for the other side and attacked the democrats," Mills attacked, particularly the democratic proposal to levy high taxes on the wealthy, describing it as "soaking the rich."

Garner lectured Rainey and Collier at a two hour and a half session in the speaker's office today. He did most of the talking.

Part of Breck Jewel Robbery Loot Recovered

BRECKENRIDGE, Dec. 30.—Officers today announced recovery of \$1,200 worth of jewelry of the \$15,000 loot taken by a hijacker Nov. 9 in the holdup of the Daiches Jewelry company here.

The loot included a \$2,500 diamond ring and nine watches valued at \$700. They were found stuffed in a coffee can hidden in a trunk near Cedar Springs, Lewis Moore, farmer, found the can and notified officers.

Everything possible is being done by the company, it was said today, to insure the maximum number of men work on the pipe line and to be sure that those who get work are from Eastland or Palo Pinto counties.

STATE'S GROWTH EXPECTED TO BRANCH OUT IN TWO DIRECTIONS IN NEXT YEAR

Resumption of Operations By Texas Factories Will Feature Opening of 1932, According To Assistant Labor Commissioner.

BY VERNON A. MCGEE
United Press Staff Correspondent

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Texas, with its unemployed population curbed to 290,000 and its storehouses filled with the post abundant harvest since 1926, today faced a new year with prospects of greater industrial activity and more stability in business.

The year 1931 was marked in the state by disastrous over production in Texas' two most important products—cotton and oil. How to curb production and bring order out of the chaos was a problem that called the legislature into session twice in special sessions.

The first year of operation of the East Texas oil field brought in in late 1930, glutted the oil market until drastic steps were taken by the legislature and by Gov. Ross Sterling in bringing sane production and development to the field. But crude oil had dropped to the unprecedented low of 10 cents a barrel before the legislature had passed a more stringent conservation law to give the railroad commission power to enforce production orders, and Governor Sterling called out the militia to see that these orders were enforced.

Out of these maneuvers, however, came disquieting litigation which still is pending in the courts. Several independent producers filed suit seeking to restrain the officials from enforcement of production laws. Attorney General James Allred has filed outster suits against 15 major oil companies charging violation of the anti-trust laws.

With the days of uncertainty in the oil industry apparently over and the leaders having gained experience in handling problems, oil men predict that the industry faces a more prosperous year in 1932 as efforts to curb production are being given up as soon as possible.

Company officials today said that out of 200 men employed at present, 60 are from Ranger and all the others live either in Eastland or Palo Pinto counties. An investigation has been started to determine whether any of these men do not live in the communities which they claim as their homes and if so they are to be re-represented.

The Texas Construction company is using men entirely instead of machinery in laying the pipe line and the jobs are to be rotated so that as many men and as many communities as possible can be represented.

On Jan. 1, 50 of the men who have been working are to be laid off and 50 others given a chance to work, the officials said today. In this way many more families can be taken care of and the work scattered out so that all who have applied for positions may be given some work. These 50 men will be selected from approximately eight towns and communities in this section of Eastland county and from the western part of Palo Pinto county.

Reports that only a very few men from Ranger were working on the pipe line were disproved today when a checkup showed that out of a total of 200 men, 60 were from Ranger, which was considered a good representation for the city when it was considered that eight communities were represented.

A committee went over applications Wednesday in order to weed out any men who had no right to the jobs as residents of the county and from those who reside and have previously lived in the county, the men who will replace the 50 who will be removed on Jan. 1 will be selected.

Everything possible is being done by the company, it was said today, to insure the maximum number of men work on the pipe line and to be sure that those who get work are from Eastland or Palo Pinto counties.

In addition to using men instead of machinery and in using only local labor, it was announced that of the total of \$50,000 worth of pipe to be used in constructing the pipe line, \$22,300 of the pipe had been bought in Ranger from Ranger dealers. This pipe that was bought was all in Ranger at the time of the purchase and no pipe was shipped in from outside sources to be used.

RIPE MELONS PICKED
MARBLESFIELD, Mo.—Two ripe watermelons were picked up by the woods near Joe Silkey's home here. "They were delicious," Silkey said, "one weighed 15 pounds, the other 20."

ONE KILLED BY BOMB IN MAIL

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 30.—A bomb plot, apparently aimed at the assassination of prominent New York Italian-Americans, went wrong today when one bomb in a group of five packages for mailing exploded in the Easton postoffice.

One postoffice worker was killed. Another received critical wounds while at least three others were injured and the interior of the postoffice wrecked.

The five packages containing bombs, carefully wrapped, marked "fragile" and "desk sets," had just been presented at the parcel post window. Two men who offered them escaped in the confusion that followed the explosion.

Generoso Pope, personal friend of Mayor James J. Walker and owner of the Italian Progress, Italian-language newspaper, was one of the intended victims. A second package was addressed to his editor-in-chief, Italo Falbo, and another to a man, Matar Marine, in the Argentine consulate in New York.

The Progress is a supporter of Mussolini and the fascist movement in Italy.

The force of the explosion was terrific. Edward Werkheiser, postoffice clerk, who was holding the package when it exploded, was killed.

John House, another clerk, who was standing nearby, had both arms blown off. He was taken to a hospital where doctors thought he had no chance to live.

ELM STREET IN RANGER REPAIRED

Work of repairing the Elm street block in front of the post-office in Ranger was started Tuesday afternoon and was continuing on Wednesday morning.

AT THIS THAT

By W. H. MAYES Jr.

Yesterday while standing on the street corner waiting for someone to happen we got into conversation with Mayor John Thurmond. He was talking about the younger days before he got into politics and when he was in the habit of sticking a cigar in his mouth and go on and on about things.

He says that he bought him a new derby and, while sitting in a hammock he placed the hat bottom side up on the ground to his right. He says he was working in the bank he was in the habit of sticking a cigar in his mouth and go on and on about things.

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McGrady Appears Before Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Edward F. McGrady, of the American Federation of Labor, today told the senate relief committee that American wage and salary earners had lost 18 and 29 billion dollars in 1931.

"The spectre of starvation is drawing nearer all the time," he said.

McGrady said if states and communities are unable to provide unemployment relief, the American Federation of Labor wants liberal federal appropriations "in order that human lives might be saved and hunger, misery and want alleviated."

He estimated the totally unemployed numbered at 7,500,000 and that 6,000,000 men are working one to three days a week.

Oil Field Worker Charged In Death Of Two Unknowns

CRANE, Texas, Dec. 30.—Ed Nickless, 52, oil field worker, appeared in court today for his examining trial in a charge of murder in connection with the death of a 12-year-old girl and a woman whose bodies were thrown in the Pecos river.

His arrest came after a long investigation of the double killing which had baffled officers for almost two years.

The bodies were found Feb. 23, 1930. The identity of the persons has never been established.

Barge Containing Liqueur Captured
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The barge Maurice R. Shaw, laden with holiday liqueur valued at \$250,000, was captured off Barstow, N. J., by the coast guard patrol boat Reliance.

Guest Tickets to Ranger Show

The Ranger Times has guest tickets for Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Maddocks to see "Left-Over Ladies" playing at the Coahoma Theatre, or any other show.

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IS OUR NATIONAL FIBRE WEAKENING?

In a strong editorial in a recent issue the Saturday Evening Post, journalistic bulwark of American conservatism, presents a point-blank indictment of American national stamina as it appears to have been weakened—or, rather, a growing weakness revealed—under the conditions that are confronting the world today.

The individual job is the unit of cure, the Post indicates. No panacea, no magic formula can take the place of the integrity of the individual. Each person must do his job himself, and well.

"Real leadership is developing among employes, business men and farmers who are concentrating on the individual job, putting everything they have into it, stripping their problems down to fundamentals, free from any illusion that by some magic formula they can beat the economic law so as to improve their condition," the Post continues.

The article goes on to point out that, just as in the case of rubber, coffee and other products, not to mention our own government experiments to lift the price of agricultural products by their boot straps, prices dropped steadily until the simple little economic law of supply and demand took a hand.

The Post emphasizes the fact that our problems, local, national and international, will yield to the same common-sense thinking that sensible men apply to their own affairs, if stripped of political humbug and commercialized economic hot air.

On our taxation question, which it lists as possibly our outstanding problem, it says: "It is time that government cut expenses and cut out sinecures, padded payrolls, extravagance, graft and luxuries of all sorts, from the one and two-million dollar schoolhouses, that, in the best of times, would be of doubtful value, with their fads and expensive frosting, down to these backroad boulevards. When enough men become their own leaders, they will get together and do something about taxation that is confiscation."

"The greatest leader that the world has ever produced could not help a soft, get-rich-quick, crime-ridden nation that is not self-reliant in its personal affairs and whose citizens are not fighters for efficiency and honesty in its several governments."

"In some respects we have gone ahead in America, in others we have fallen behind. As a nation our fibre is weaker, our fighting condition is softer. We want government rap."

"It is always possible to find a dictator who might make us behave. But what a sorry finish for a free people with a tradition of initiative and individualism behind them."

The editorial is food for thought for every earnest, conscientious American citizen. It is an incentive to individual effort which alone can maintain the traditions of a great and free government, traditions that are threatened, in the weakening of national fibre, with paternalism and bureaucratic policies.

Freedom is possible only in self-reliance, a sturdy individual character that is able to assume and discharge a proportionate share of responsibility. Independence cannot be maintained under paternalism, and paternalism is the certain end to which a government, dominated by policies which pile up taxes to confiscatory proportions and make the citizen a mere work horse for a top-heavy load of office-holders and pensioners, is going.

The moment we accept governmental bounty we cease to be supporters and become dependents and the national fibre is weakened to that extent.

We are rapidly approaching the forks in the road where we will have to follow the straight course ahead which represents American traditions and ideals, or take the side road which is filled with theoretical chuckholes and experiments which cause miring, breakdown and delays in the normal progress of a well built economic machine.

A. M. Collins Dies In Ranger After a Long Illness

A. M. Collins, 73, died in Ranger Tuesday night. Funeral services are to be held in Bullock.

A. M. Collins was born June 26, 1858, at Calvert, Texas, and here he married Sallie McGinnis in 1879.

and to this union seven children were born, four of which survive him. He lived here until 1904, when he moved west and in 1918 he moved to Ranger, and has made his home here since. In 1926 his wife died and since that time he has traveled extensively, but has always made this his home.

Mr. Collins was affiliated with the Church of Christ in young manhood, and was an ardent believer until his death.

He was a stalwart man, and was blessed with the best of health until three months ago when he suffered a stroke of paralysis, and since then he has been bedfast.

All the surviving children have been at his bedside during his illness. They are Mrs. P. W. Squires, Ranger; Mrs. J. S. Milstead, Ranger; Mrs. N. E. Manuel, Graham, and W. W. Collins, McManey.

Funeral services will be held from the Bullock Methodist Church, Rev. Nichols officiating. Active pallbearers are his grandsons: R. O. Squires, W. L. Squires, E. V. Squires, N. B. Squires, Carl Milstead, and James Outlaw. Honorary pallbearers are: O. P. McKinnan, G. Williams, M. P. McCollins, W. R. Pool, Mr. Blankenship, J. R. Yates and Paul Smith.

CATHER WROTE ON WINDMILL

EL PASO.—Willie Cather, famous American novelist, used to write while sitting on top of a windmill, according to her cousin by marriage, Mrs. Myrtle Cather. No, Miss Cather's novels are not "windy."

Scientist Believes Texas Was Once a Vast, Silty Marsh

AUSTIN.—The vast expanse of 1,000 feet above the surrounding western plains, was a silty marsh in the Triassic Age, believes Prof. E. C. Case, director of the Museum of Paleontology of the University of Michigan.

Specimens of prehistoric monsters unearthed near Clarendon, support his theory. Dr. Case and a party of scientists recently removed to Michigan fossils of great historic value.

The fossil of a mastodon, companion to the primitive tiger, horse, camel and rhinoceros, was unearthed in a gravel pit near Amarillo. The skull was five feet wide, indicating the monster stood over 15 feet high. Dr. Case found the dorsal armor of a giant phytosaur of the Triassic Age a few weeks ago. Phytosaurs were large carnivorous reptiles, similar to crocodiles.

Dr. Case believes the Texas Panhandle to be the richest field in the world for a study of the Triassic Age.

Eastland Service Clubs Have Good Musical Programs

Eastland's luncheon clubs, both Lions and Rotary, were favored this week at their meetings with musical entertainment by out-of-town visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Runkle of Jacksonville were here visiting Mrs. Runkle's sister, Mrs. P. B. Bittle. The Runkles are in charge of the fine arts department at Long Morris college in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Runkle is an accomplished singer and entertained at the two clubs with delightful numbers. Mr. Runkle is a pianist and accompanied her songs as well as gave solo numbers.

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Daily WASHINGTON LETTER

BY RODNEY DUTCHER, NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON.—Why does the House of Representatives seem so ridiculous?

Much could be written to demonstrate that it really is not as funny as it appears and other evidence might be presented which would tend to suggest that it is even funnier.

One reason the House always seems so silly is that nearly all its members take advantage of every possible opportunity to contend that it is the most intelligent, shrewdest, most companionable, hard-working, most upright group of nature's noblemen in all the world.

Seasoned newspapermen shun interviews with representatives because so few of the latter can stick to the subject without breaking off into eulogies of their colleagues as a collective body.

And when the session ends you will find the Congressional Record spattered with outbursts of doggerel in which congressmen vie with each other in rhythmically whooping the praises of the other 434 members.

MOST visitors to the House galleries have seen the House as it ordinarily is when in session. They see from 18 to 30 per cent of the membership in its seats as a lone member stands in a well and pours forth his conception of wisdom.

Sometimes the lone member drones his speech monotonously and sometimes he hawks with all the variations of tone and volume which distinguish the traditional flowery oratory of Congress. Sometimes he reads his words laboriously and sometimes he speaks without notes.

Sometimes he knows what to do with his hands and sometimes he just waves them aimlessly. But seldom does any other member pay attention to him—unless it is to make sure he is not running beyond his allotted time.

Look down upon almost any member and you find that he is gabbing animatedly with the member sitting at his side. Nevertheless, the subdued tumult of private gabbing is probably as important as any prepared speech which the lone member is reading for his constituency and if the gabblers miss anything they can read it next day in the Record.

The conversation out in the cloakrooms is even more important, from the standpoint of the nation's future, and the secret conversations between leaders, far removed from the floor, are most important of all.

To obtain a really fair estimate of the House perhaps the best method is to add all the Democratic members say about the Republicans say about the Democrats, then discount about 50 per cent of the total and take the rest for granted.

Also, some of the more independent members already in this session have spoken of the House as a whole and it may not be amiss to quote them.

Sweeney, Ohio Democrat: "The women of this body behave like perfect gentlemen, while some of the men behave like a lot of old women."

My friend from Ohio (Congressman Cooper) is honest. There are few of that type left."

LaGuardia, New York Republican: "Let us stop all these political speeches and get down to work. Surely we ought to cut out politics now, get down to business and do something for the millions of unemployed people."

You can not ignore the problem by talking politics. You can not bedevil the issue by nagging the president."

Huddleston, Alabama Democrat: "Most of us are dubs. Everybody knows how irresponsible I am. And that because I have no responsibility and speak for nobody, and lead nobody, that I can afford to speak the truth."

After which, one suggests that the best way to learn the low-down on the House will be to keep on listening to the members themselves.

Bull Montana Wrestling Bout Is Postponed

Officials of the Elks Athletic Show announced today that it was found that it would be impossible to have Bull Montana on the next card as announced recently, but that he would be brought to the city in the near future.

A conflict in dates prevented Montana from wrestling on the next card, but he said that he was still willing to come as soon as a date could be arranged. Further announcements as to his wrestling engagement will be made as soon as a definite date is set.

Japanese Capture Two Chinese Towns

TOKIO, Dec. 30.—Japanese troops and airplanes engaged in heavy fighting and captured two cities today as they advanced across a desolate country toward Chinchow, deserted by the Chinese as their last stronghold in Manchuria.

Hundreds of Chinese casualties, most of them in the ranks of irregulars, were reported in a hand-to-hand engagement which preceded the Japanese capture of Jaoying-ho.

The Japanese forces, accompanied by armored trains, cars and motorcycles as well as the bombing planes, continued toward Chinchow and at 3 p. m. captured the town of Tsauhsan.

Chinese soldiers burned railway bridges as they crossed in retreat, impeding the progress of the Japanese.

John Thurman Says He Is Candidate For Commissioner

Rumors that have been circulated in Ranger for the past few weeks that Mayor John Thurman would be a candidate for county commissioner, were confirmed today by the mayor, who, when interviewed, stated that his hat was already in the ring and that he would begin his campaign immediately.

When questioned today he said that he would have an official announcement to make in the very near future and would have more to say about the platform on which he will base his campaign.

Mr. Thurman is running for the place in district two, now held by V. V. Cooper Sr.

STATE'S GROWTH

(Continued from Page 1) federal government is expected to supply about \$7,000,000. The balance will be supplied from county sources.

Should Congress make an increase in federal appropriations the highway construction program of 1932 may exceed the \$35,500,000 in road work contracted in 1931. Of the 1931 program, about \$10,000,000 of uncompleted contract work will extend into 1932, the department estimates.

Elimination of grade crossings and bridge construction will share prominently in the 1932 program, according to Gibb Gilchrist, chief highway engineer. The bridge department has plans for about \$3,000,000 in bridge construction to be contracted within the next six months.

Bible Class Gives Baskets To Poor

The 9:49 Bible class of Eastland, composed of men from all walks of life and taught by Hon. J. E. Hickman, was responsible for the Christmas cheer of 75 Eastland families, although it was not mentioned among the other charity activities.

The members made up 75 baskets with chickens, canned goods, nuts, fruits and candy and distributed them out to their charity list the day before Christmas.

The Devils River News, Sonora, celebrated its 41st anniversary recently.

Three Slightly Hurt In Crash

L. R. Davis, Tommie Pickens and a man by the name of Ford were injured Tuesday night in a car accident near Olden. The men were taken to an Eastland hospital for treatment.

Reports of the accident said that Ford was driving and when he attempted to pass a truck he saw another car approaching and attempted to cut back to the right of the truck and collided with it.

None of the occupants of the car were reported to be seriously injured.

Ranger Hunters Are Getting Many Deer

B. S. Lemma, Wilson Connell and C. C. Cross, who have been hunting near Laredo for the past few days, have sent word to Ranger that they are having exceptional luck while on the trip.

To date they have bagged four deer, which they have prepared to bring back to Ranger with them. Other members of the hunting party are reported to be having a good time and think the trip was well worth while.

THIEVES HALT WIRE SERVICE

PORT SCOTT, Kan.—Telegraph service was halted for almost a day here when thieves stole 2,000 feet of wire from poles along the Frisco railroad tracks.

GASOLINE FAILED TO IGNITE

LONGVIEW, Wash.—Gasoline, which filled a bathtub, did not catch fire when a two-story dwelling burned down here. The fire was incendiary.

Schedule For Eastland High Basketball Team

Below is the schedule of games to be played this year by the Eastland high school basketball team. Clip it out and paste it up somewhere:

- Jan. 5—Eastland at Brownwood.
Jan. 8—Albany at Eastland.
Jan. 9—Eastland at Breckenridge.
Jan. 12—Eastland at Abilene.
Jan. 15—Eastland at El Paso.
Jan. 19—Cisco at Eastland.
Jan. 22—Eastland at Ranger.
Jan. 26—Breckenridge at Eastland.
Jan. 29—Brownwood at Eastland.
Jan. 30—Eastland at Albany.
Feb. 2—Abilene at Eastland.
Feb. 5—El Paso at Eastland.
Feb. 9—Eastland at Cisco.
Feb. 12—Ranger at Eastland.

Ranger Commission In Regular Session

The Ranger city commission met at the city hall Tuesday night in regular session. Routine matters and unfinished business came up for discussion but no new matters of importance were brought up.

PUBLIC THEATRE AUDITOR IS VISITOR IN RANGER

J. B. Fritz of New York, auditor for Public Theatres Corporation, is a business visitor in Ranger this week, guest of Ty Graziano, manager of the Aradia theatre.

Ranger Rotary Plans Park As 1932 Project

Because of the absence of the chairman of the program committee for the day the regular entertainment of the Ranger Rotary club was dispensed with and a round table discussion of the project which the club will sponsor for the year 1932 was had.

It was decided that a park would be sponsored and a committee composed of William N. McDonald, E. E. Fontaine and G. W. Manning was selected to see the property owners in order to begin work on the park site.

It was decided that the site adjoining The Willows would be worked up into a city park and the grounds cleaned and beautified for this purpose. As soon as permission from the owners can be secured it is planned to start the landscaping work and to have the park beautified before spring.

Charlie Brown of Cisco was a visitor at the club meeting today.

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Other factors remaining the same, weather conditions are directly responsible for an increase or decrease in your gas bill for one month over that of a preceding month.
With this thought in mind, it is illuminating to note the following comparison between the weather conditions that have prevailed during the current billing month as opposed to those which held sway during the preceding billing month.
Oct. 18 to Nov. 18 Period (Billed December 1st)
Nov. 18 to Dec. 18 Period (To Be Billed January 1st)
Number of days when heat was required all day. (Maximum temperature did not rise above 65 degrees) 6 28
Number of days when average temperature was below 50 degrees. (Real winter weather) 1 30
Number of freezes. (Minimum temperature 32 degrees or lower) 0 3
Number of damp and rainy days 5 14
It can readily be seen from these figures, which are taken from official government reports for this section, that the weather during the current billing period was only MUCH COLDER than that of the preceding billing period but EXCEPTIONALLY DAMP AND RAINY in addition.
Naturally such a period of unusually cold and damp weather, following closely upon a period of unseasonably warm and dry weather, has resulted in a greatly increased consumption of gas. This is due not only to the lower temperatures but to the almost continuous drizzling rains as well. It is a well-known fact, borne out by utility records, that raw damp days require the use of as much gas as clear days that are many degrees colder.
You, as a fair-minded citizen, will readily understand why gas consumption has increased so sharply when you have analyzed the contrasting weather conditions for the past two billing periods as set forth above. Please bear these facts in mind when you consider your January 1st gas statement.

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Concrete Tubes To Carry Entire River

By United Press.
 LAS VEGAS, Nev.—Creation of four round concrete tubes, each 50 feet in diameter and with walls a yard thick, is an engineering feat which Six Companies, Inc., builders of Hoover dam, must start in about three months. The work will be underground.
 Huge steel "jumbos," or machines which will cost a half million dollars in aggregate, must be built for pouring these diverting tunnel tubes.
 The pouring of the lower portion of the tunnel crust is simple. Pouring of the side walls, of the round 50-foot bores, is not so difficult to conceive. But the pouring of the concrete for the top of the tunnels so that it will solidify overhead, has brought great difficulties to those designing the equipment for this portion of the work.
 The jumbos will cost as much to build as did the entire 11-mile construction railroad. There will be 1,200 tons of steel used in the building of these machines.
 There will be three jumbos for each tunnel. The first will lay the bottom section of the crust, the second to follow along for the pouring of the side wall segments, and the third, bringing up the rear, to do the most difficult part of the job—placing the concrete high over head in the arch segment.
 A jumbo is merely any piece of machinery on a large scale that has no definite classification in the construction line.
 The first of these machines will be ready about April 1. It will take 10 months to complete the four tubes through which the Colorado river will flow during construction of the dam. It is expected that the bores will be completed about January, 1933.
 Concrete for the bores will be made and poured at the rate of 1,300 cubic yards a day, the total amount to be used for the entire job being a third of a million yards.

Merchant of Venice Ban Creates a Storm of Protest

By United Press.
 BUFFALO, N. Y.—Decision to bar the Merchant of Venice from the public schools here because the character Shylock "fomented race prejudice," has stirred a storm of discussion.
 In a letter to the editor of a newspaper, a person signing himself "Rough Writer" declared Shakespeare was "a homicidal dramatist."
 "Shakespeare's plays rival any modern 'gang magazine,'" the author said. "In seven plays there are 51 deaths. Of the 18 plays in Titus Andronicus, only five are alive at the end of the play—one person kills six of them."
 "In Romeo and Juliet there are two suicides, and five murders. There are half a dozen murders in King Lear, besides a natural death and one suicide. There are three killings in Othello, as well as another suicide. In Pericles we find four violent deaths."
 "If we teach in our schools classics, or 'make immortal' those 'classic' writers who 'dote on' murder, then we cannot blame the younger generation for its absorption in murder, gang and terror stories."

Enrollment Growth Shown In U. S. Vocational Schools

By United Press.
 WASHINGTON.—Increases in enrollment in practically every type of vocational education schools and classes and expansion of the field of service covered by these schools have been announced by the federal board for vocational education.
 Schools of agriculture, home economics and those giving courses in trade and industrial subjects showed the greatest gain with an increase of approximately 61,000 in enrollment.
 Effects of unemployment are visible in this change, according to the board, which says that the "new" students are mainly those who are training for available jobs, or are retraining for other jobs, having been deprived of employment due to changing processes or the introduction of machinery.
 In order to meet the ever-changing needs of the workers the federal board for vocational education is constantly expanding and adding new courses to the curriculum of each school. Outstanding among these are the new courses developed for the city fire department employees.
 Instruction in vocational schools, reaching into every kind of employment requiring a measure of technical or mechanical skill, and open to white and colored races alike, are operated day and night to accommodate the employed, the unemployed and the part-time worker.
 Vocational rehabilitation of disabled civilians, also promoted by the federal board for vocational education, showed a 13 per cent rehabilitation increase in 1931 over the previous year despite depressed business conditions.
 SCHOOLS MAKE STUDY OF PROHIBITION
 SAN ANTONIO.—Courses in the promotion of prohibition have been placed in Sunday schools and churches here as the result of a vote of the local Ministerial Alliance. A course prepared by Southern Methodist University will be installed under the direction of Rev. Roy Thomas, pastor of the Palm Heights Methodist Church.
 A \$200,000 oil refining plant is being built near Baird with a daily capacity of 1400 barrels of oil.

GRIPINGS

By GUS
 This column is published as a daily feature and may not be construed as representing the editorial views of this paper. What follows is merely what one man thought at the time it was written, and the writer reserves the right to change his mind concerning any subject, without notice, explanation or apology.
 Yesterday afternoon I visited Palo Pinto. Mainly out of curiosity I went into the county clerk's office there and asked to look over his marriage intentions records. Believe it or not the custodian of the outfit told me where to go in as palatial a way as I have ever been told. He explained that while they are public records and I could demand to see them and he couldn't refuse, still he wasn't anxious to have a newspaperman prying into them, especially since two couples had just preceded me there and filed their intentions to marry and requested that it didn't get into the paper.
 My curiosity was appeased, however, because it happened to be two couples from Fort Worth and I couldn't make a news story for this paper anyway. And so I told him to keep his old book closed. I had already found out what I wanted to know, and didn't figure there was any use worrying the fellow any further. Just wait, that guy will want to get his name in this paper some of these days and it will cost him six bits a letter. And I think his name is Monomercy Hergeshheimer. That's bad.
 Thence over to the thriving city of Brazos. You see while the committees were meeting in Eastland to discuss the proposed airline route of highway 89 running through the south part of Palo Pinto county, your humble servant just went down through that country and talked to the folks down there about it. Probably neither the committee nor myself did a whole lot of good, but I had a nice trip.
 The new school house at Brazos has a lot of curious imbedded in the stonework. A dollar watch, stopped at 8:02, shines its face at you from over the doorway. An amateur sculptor has made a bas-relief of Lincoln on one of the sand rocks and there are several inverted horseshoes visible in the mortar. In the window of the school hangs a pennant showing, "Senior Girls Basketball Champions, '25'."
 These observations were made while Mrs. Hassley, state health nurse, was straightening out a misunderstanding about giving the school children diphtheria serum. For the reader's information I might say that the folks down there were given an opportunity this fall to give the children a protection from diphtheria. But they didn't take the opportunity and now they have a few cases of it and are tearing at the shirts. Toxin is slow motion stuff and takes 90 days to become effective. Anti-toxin is quick acting but is said to be only a temporary protection. What those folks down there want is a serum that is quick acting and permanent at the same time. And they're about half sore because there isn't any such serum.

Just got a letter from Joe Gibson, spending the holidays at Paducah. He dates it Jan. 26, 1931. Says he is eating turkey twice a day, nearly every day. He's due back in a day or two and will start basket ball practice in earnest.
 Only one more day to make New Year's resolutions. The city of Cisco has reduced the mayor's salary from \$3600 a year to \$2100. And reduced the chamber of commerce budget to \$6000. In Eastland the mayor works for the honor of the position and the chamber of commerce has to go begging every time it gets a dime. And people think I'm tight because I won't go any place unless I get in.

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A Fort Worth packing house official is the authority for the statement that Texas imports 70 per cent of the pork products consumed in the state.

United States navy officials are being asked to name the next dirigible to be constructed "Amarillo," for the Panhandle city of that name.

Los Angeles Christmas baskets for unemployed working girls contained silk stockings, powder, rouge, lipstick and perfume. What, no umbrellas?

Eddy county, New Mexico, has sufficient proven potash area to supply the domestic needs of the United States for many years with an increased demand.

The Spur station of the Texas agricultural experiment station is conducting livestock feeding experiments again using 100 Hord steers.

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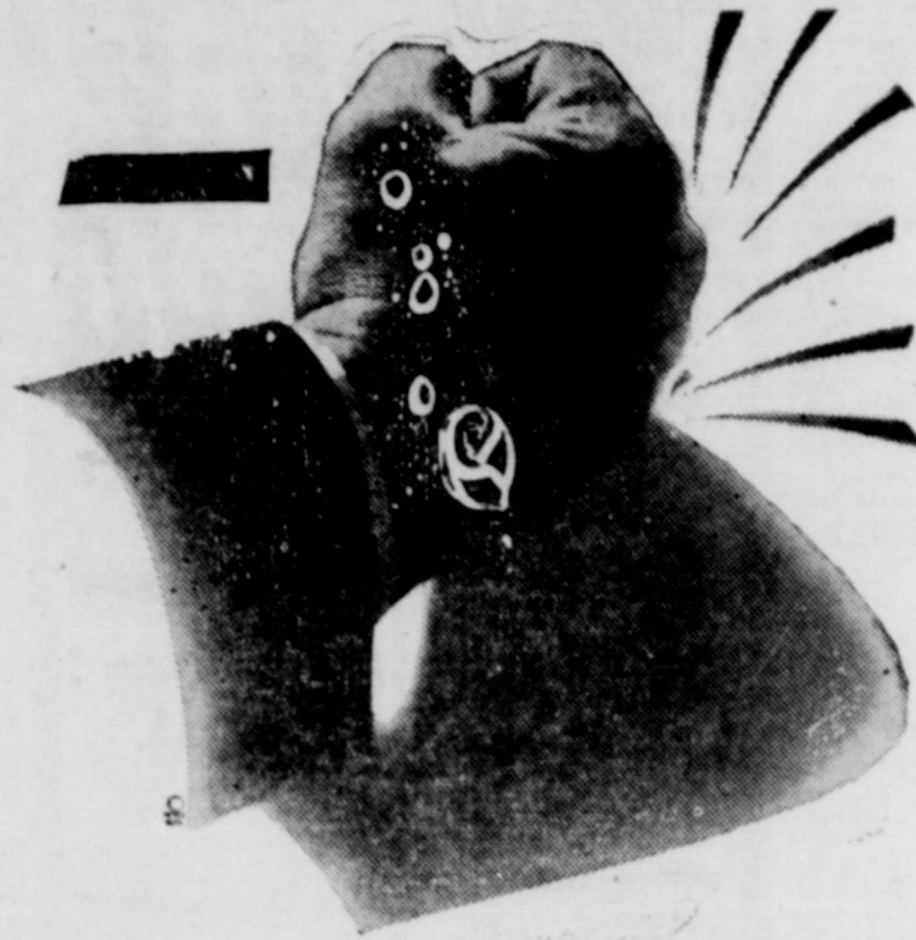
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THIEFS PLAN MONUMENT TO R. INGERSOLL

Joseph Lewis, head of Athletic group in America, in Paris after a trip through Europe, has announced that his group with Professor Albert Einstein, Bernard Shaw, and Sir Keith have resulted in their unanimous acceptance committee members to erect a monument to Robert Ingersoll in London next year.

War Vet Also Has Copy Of Famous Paper

William C. H. Gerroll, World War I veteran, disputes claim of H. B. Gerroll, Austin, Tex., that Gerroll possesses the existing copy of the famous "paper" edition of the Vicksburg, Miss., Daily Citizen. Reeder owns a copy of the paper, and on July 2, 1863.

Accident Starts Airplane Builder On His Career

SEATTLE, Wash.—Sometimes little, almost unnoticed things change careers and lead to success. Consider W. E. Boeing, who came here in 1916 from Detroit, to go into the lumber business. He took up flying as a sport. He had an accident and tinkered with the plane in a little shop on Lake Union.

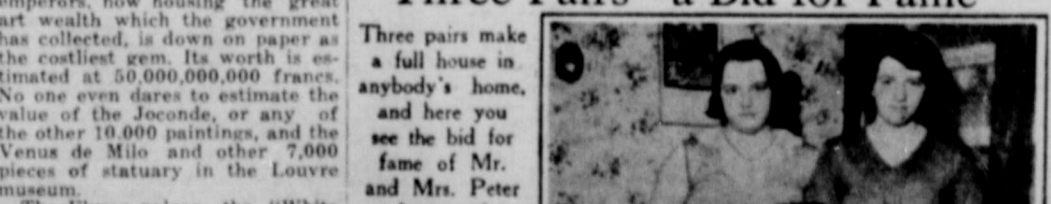
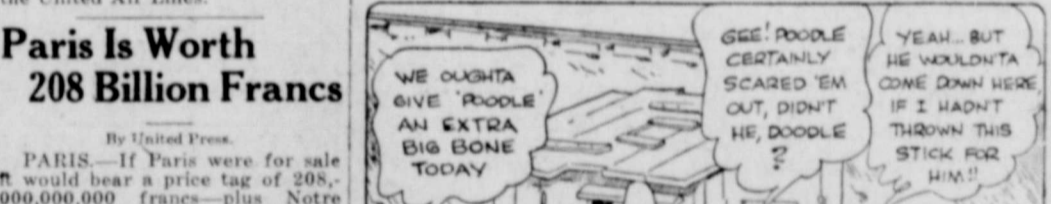
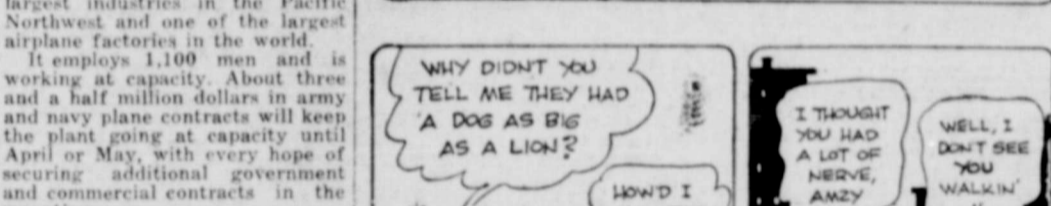
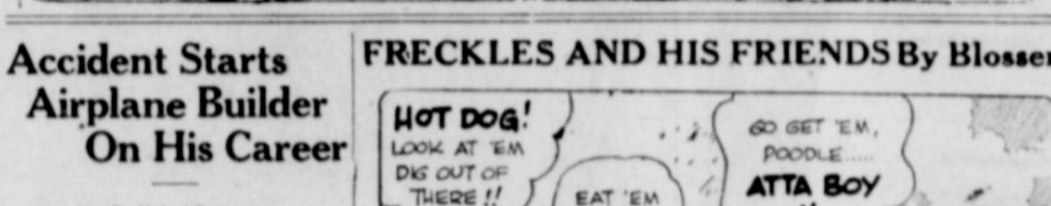
Paris Is Worth 208 Billion Francs

PARIS.—If Paris were for sale it would bear a price tag of 208,000,000,000 francs—plus Notre Dame. That is the valuation placed on the city's real estate and buildings by appraisers, who estimated at the same time that New York might represent an actual sales value of 300,000,000,000 francs and London about 350,000,000,000.

Three Pairs—a Bid for Fame

Three pairs make a full house in anybody's home, and here you see the bid for fame of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lange of Kimballton, Ia. Mrs. Lange is holding the youngest of her three sets of twins, born Dec. 6.

The Newfangles (Mom 'n' Pop) By Cowan



THREE KINDS OF LOVE BY KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TODAY Anne, Cecily and Mary-Frances Fenwick live with their grandparents, once wealthy, now so impoverished that Anne's and Cecily's earnings support the household. The grandparents are known respectively as "Rosalie" and "Grand."

Ann's yellow were too short, and that all their clothes were dowdy and out of fashion. She thought that Barry was an entire stranger to her, and that she had been an idiot to hope to touch the far edges of his life. She never, of course, had really hoped to enter into his life. She must have known that his life was full before she had ever met him. Full? Crammed with girls, glamorous girls who had wads of money and clothes and chauffeurs and trips to Europe, and who cried about him.

Barry had a new admirer, Barry McKeel, with whom she is falling in love though she has known him only a short time. Mary-Frances and her friend, Ermintrude Hill, strike up an acquaintance with Earl DeWitt, a very handsome actor. To Mary-Frances he is an intensely romantic figure. She meets him secretly and promises to see him again.

Next morning Phil comes to take Anne to the office in his car. He begs her to get the wedding date. When she points out the obstacles they come out to quarrel. Cecily's friend, Marta, tells her Barry McKeel is a heart-breaker and not to be trusted. Now go on with the story. CHAPTER XIX "Were they engaged?" Cecily gave it a not-tha-it-matters inflection.

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