

# Ranger Times

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**THE WEATHER.**  
West Texas—Cloudy with occasional rains tonight and Wednesday. Warmer in southwest portion tonight.

Hard luck for the farm boys. Just when they get adept at adjusting carburetors, the horse stages a comeback and they've got to learn to knot a halter.

## Mrs. Ferguson Takes Oath of Office at Noon

### EASTLAND HIGH EXAM DATES ANNOUNCED

The schedule of the mid-term examinations of the Eastland high school, which will be held on Jan. 20 to 26 inclusive, has been announced by school officials as follows:

Monday A. M.—English, 4B, room 20; English, 2B, 2A, 23.  
Monday P. M.—English, 3B, room 20; English, 1B, 3A, room 25.  
Tuesday A. M.—History, 4B, 2A, room 20; history, 2B, room 25.  
Tuesday P. M.—Occupation, room 20; chemistry, 3B, room 25.  
Wednesday A. M.—Bookkeeping, 2A, 2B, room 20; Latin, 1A, 2B, room 25.  
Wednesday P. M.—Sci., 1B, Sci., Civ., 4B, room 20; speech, room 25.  
Thursday A. M.—Math, 3B, 3A, room 20; Math, 1B, 1A, 2B, room 25.  
Thursday P. M.—Math, 4B, room 20; algebra, room 20.

### Grid Star Held



A detective's story that he was hired as a thug to murder the wife of Gerald Craig, former University of Southern California football star, has landed Craig, shown above, in a Los Angeles cell. Detective Lieut. Tom Bryan was supposed to have killed her after Craig, believing Bryan a thug, allegedly hired him to do the job. Detective Bryan, posing as a gangster, got acquainted with Craig, who offered him \$300 to kill Mrs. Craig for the sake of \$90,000 insurance on her life, the detective related.

### MAD FARMER FIGHTS POLICE FIVE HOURS

GARY, Ind., Jan. 17.—Mike Lantare, infuriated farmer, fought off police in a five-hour siege of his home that ended last midnight with Lantare and a neighbor slain. Sheriff Holley fatally wounded and a half-dozen others injured.

Fighting with the cunning of madness, Lantare cuffed his shotgun and revolver against nearly every implement of modern warfare as he beat back charging police officers for hours.

Only after an armored car had carried officers to the doorway of his home and torches had set fire to the building were police able to gain entry.

In a second-story room crouched before a picture of the Virgin Mary, police saw the madman and discharged their revolvers into his body.

Several hours before, the farmer had killed a neighbor in a dispute over saving a tree. Lantare's daughters told police they had feared for two years he was going mad.

### 15 Years Free; Returns to Pen



Although Glenn Smeeman, above, had spent the last 15 years of his life building up a successful business in Cleveland under the name of Harry Stanley, he is now back in Colorado state penitentiary. He escaped from the prison in 1918. Governor Johnson of Colorado refused a plea for pardon. Smeeman's wife, shown with him above, is the mother of a three-month-old baby, and became seriously ill after she accompanied Smeeman on his voluntary return to Denver. He had refused to pay "hush money" to a woman who knew of his past, and she turned him in.

### ROOSEVELT IS IN FAVOR OF FARM RELIEF

By United Press.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—President-elect Roosevelt favors restricting the domestic allotment farm bill, to cotton and wheat, Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, said today.

Smith conferred with the president-elect in New York yesterday. He very frankly said that he hoped the committee would eliminate all products except cotton and wheat, Smith explained.

He did insist, however, that before this session is over there should be a farm relief measure enacted.

Smith said he personally favored a plan whereby the government would buy up the cotton surplus this year and sell it back on credit in proportionate amounts to those farmers who agreed to make drastic production cuts.

"I went over that with the governor in detail," Smith said, "and he said the thing for the people to do it to get together and decide if they prefer that plan."

### Asks Love Balm



James E. Pecker, above, former mayor, believes St. Louis courts should award him \$19,500 for shattered love. He says Mrs. Melva Miller Anthonopoulos promised to marry him in 1925, and later refused. Breach of promise is the charge.

### SAYS SHE WILL BE FRIEND OF LEGISLATURE

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—At 12:10 today Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson took the oath of office for the second time as governor of Texas in a scene reminiscent of her first inaugural eight years ago.

As she finished the oath the first of 17 guns reverberated through the capitol, announcing the new administration had begun.

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Hope for co-operation between the governor's office and the legislature and a call for lower taxes were voiced by Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson in her inaugural address here today.

"I realize fully that I again become a co-laborer with the Texas legislature in the service of the people," Mrs. Ferguson said.

She announced that a message discussing state conditions will be sent to the legislature tomorrow.

"While I lay no claim to power of legal interpretation, yet, with a common sense construction of the English language I dare to say that there is nothing in our constitution that prevents you and me from being at all times on the most cordial and friendly terms," Mrs. Ferguson said in her message to legislators and the people of Texas.

"Any cause or condition that would lead to unfriendliness must ultimately lead to confusion, so you and I are going to be friendly because we both want to do right.

"My great hope and prayer is that your office and my office may find wisdom and inspiration from an high that will blend and direct as in a common campaign and purpose for the common good.

"The door of the governor's office is open to every member of this legislature, whether you voted for me or not.

"You and I take up the most serious and desperate task that ever confronted the people of our state. On every hand there is want, need and hunger that has already led to despair. The burdens of government are falling heavily on the masses. Reduction of taxes must come and come quickly or the government will fall."

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Happy days are here again in the view of the Texas inaugural committee.

A sign on the inaugural platform today read:

"Wasn't the depression awful?"

### Classer Comes in Near a Burning Well At Conroe

By United Press.  
CONROE, Tex., Jan. 17.—Stanley Oil company's No. 10 Madley well, about 900 feet from the Conroe No. 1 Madley oil well, six miles south of here, blew in today a wild gasser.

There was great danger of the well being ignited by the burning of State rangers and oil company officials policed the area.

The No. 10 Madley blew in from 40 feet. The derrick collapsed 30 minutes later.

### Rotary Club of Eastland Meets At Warner College

The Eastland Rotarians had the privilege of a personally conducted tour through Warner college Monday following the noon luncheon, to which the college and faculty was host in the dining hall of the college.

A short talk, but very interesting, "Higher Education," was given by J. E. Lewis, who with Carl Johnson, were program chairman for the day.

A group of songs by Prof. Bernard of the Warner music studio, with Mrs. Bernard at the piano, was a delightful musical treat.

Report of the prizes in essay contest plan submitted by W. P. Palm and Sam Gamble, brought subject, selected for essay contest, "What Can a Civic Club Do For Eastland?" The contest is open to all high school students, who must show enrollment when entering. Palm stated the contest closes Feb. 15, at 8 p. m. Judges will be Sam Gamble, Leslie Gray and W. P. Palm. The essay matter only will be graded and small attention given to manner of address or diction. Prizes offered by Rotary are \$5, first prize; \$3 second, and \$2 third prize.

This is in direct response to Lion Horace Conley's plea before Rotary club of last week, to sponsor this contest. The Lions club sponsored that of last year.

Guests were Rotarian H. B. Johnson of Ranger, and Ira Pittman, connected with the natural gas company and guest of Frank V. Williams. All Rotarians were present except F. O. Hunter.

### Cisco Lobos to Be Welcomed At Eastland Tonight

The Mavericks will meet the Cisco Lobos at Eastland tonight in the game provided for between these two teams in the regular conference basketball schedule. The game will be called at 7:30 p. m., and will be played on the court in the high school gymnasium.

This game will be the beginning of athletic competition between the Mavericks and Lobos following the severance caused by Cisco's being barred from the football schedule last season.

As a means of welcoming Cisco's return to the Oil Belt competition the Eastland school authorities have planned a good program for tonight's occasion. The board will be present to render stirring music. The pep squad will be there to spur the team on to its best efforts. As a crowning feature of the program a prominent citizen will welcome the Lobo team and the accompanying fans to Eastland with a timely address.

Following this address the Mavericks will further entertain the crowd by doing their dead level best to whip the Lobo team to a frazzle playing basketball. On the whole the game promises to be one of the outstanding features for athletic competition for the year and everybody is invited to attend.

Coach Gibson states that the possible starting lineup for Eastland will be as follows: Burgamy and Barrington, forwards; Fulcher, center; Daniels and Taylor, guards.

### Ranger Boys Play Detective, Find Stolen Property

Sunday afternoon Lewis and Stanley Snyder, sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Snyder of Ranger went on a hike near the old rock quarry and while away from their car the battery, tools, five gallons of gasoline and several other items were stolen from the car.

The boys turned detective, traced the car that had been parked near theirs and turned the information over to Deputy Sheriff John Barnes.

The deputy sheriff went to work on the case and soon had the battery located. Within 24 hours after the theft everything had been returned except five gallons of gasoline and there was no way that could be identified.

The prompt work on the part of the two boys and the deputy sheriff accounted for the finding of the stolen property when it seemed impossible for it to be traced.

### Dress Not To Play Big Part At Inaugural

By W. WINSTON COPELAND, United Press Staff Correspondent.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Dress—and not midsy's gown—played an important role in that glamorous inauguration ball a quarter-century ago which broke all previous records in attendance.

It was the tuxedos and dress suits of dignitaries that took the public interest from feminine frolics.

First, whispers went through the state that Governor-elect Thomas M. Campbell of Palestine, would decline to wear a dress suit to the reception. Friends of the upper social circle mingled with the smiles of the nonchalant as the nervous ones wondered what they should properly wear.

Newspaper accounts of that day say Governor Campbell donned the "conventional garb" and "East Texans gazed on him with a feeling somewhat akin to astonishment."

Even with the governor suited out in the "proper" manner, that did not relieve state officials and visitors from North Texas.

"Spring-like weather is prevailing in northern Texas just at present," one scribe wrote of the event, "and the kind of overcoats brought here by the northern Texas as contingent were of the heavy kind. It required some little courage to march or ride up Congress avenue attired in a dress suit minus an overcoat."

That worry won't both goers to the reception tonight for Governor-elect Miriam A. Ferguson, however, since they may either wear dress suits or business suits and be equally acceptable in either.

The feminine attire didn't go unnoticed when the massive crowd gathered in the house of representatives chamber for the ball 25 years ago.

One newspaper account of the affair minutely described the dress of the 36 women present.

The Campbell inaugural cost \$2,400 and "no refreshments were served." That was in 1907 when prices were cheaper than today. No more than that amount will be spent on Mrs. Ferguson's inauguration ball.

Mrs. Ferguson will have the benefit of a larger space in which to greet the citizenry. Electricity drove the ball from the house chamber to Gregory gymnasium. When the electric voting machine was installed in the house the seats could not be removed at random. The University of Texas gymnasium is now the site for the inaugural ball.

Although in a more favorable setting, tonight's inaugural, because of economic necessity and the curtailment of frolics and decorations, has little hope of eclipsing that one 24 years ago. Were conditions most favorable it might have some trouble in doing so, if the following excerpt from a description of Campbell's inauguration is indicative:

"When Texas democracy attended an inaugural ball it lays aside for the moment that simplicity which is the pride of the party, and, in the parlance of the day, goes in to 'make good.'"

### Ranger Baptists to Hold Meeting On Wednesday Night

A general get-together meeting is scheduled to be held by the members of the First Baptist church Wednesday night in the basement of the church.

It is hoped that the largest representation that the church has had at any meeting during the last year will be present tomorrow night.

The church basement has been completely remodeled during recent months, dividing it into four departments. Within the last week the doors closing in each department have been hung and the heating facilities reconditioned, so that meetings may be held with assured comfort in any kind of weather.

Even though the weatherman's prediction of colder weather should prove true for tomorrow night, everybody may come with the assurance that it will be comfortable within. The meeting will be held in the junior department assembly room, 7:30 will be the hour. After the program is over there will be a brief social period. Refreshments will be served by the women of the church.

### Independence of Philippines Is Passed Over Veto

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The senate today overrode President Hoover's veto and enacted into law the bill to give independence to the Philippine Islands after 10 years under a commonwealth government.

The vote was 66 to 26.

The bill, which amends conflicting claims with respect to political statutes, trade relations and immigration.

### Committees Are Named In House

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—John M. Atchison of Houston will head the important house of representatives committee on state affairs and J. Davall, Fort Worth, the committee on revenue and taxation, and Walter Coke Stevenson announced today.

Other committee chairmen included Will H. Scott of Sweetwater, on school districts; A. L. Baker of Stockdale on livestock and stock raising; O. F. Chastain of Eastland on judiciary districts.

### Cold Wave Turns Out of Texas

By United Press.  
FORT WORTH, Jan. 17.—There will be no cold wave in Texas today.

Weathermen today offered apologies for yesterday's forecasts of snow and colder.

They explained that the expected wintry blasts were pushed to the east and north last night by a rising barometer area in California.

Freezing temperatures in the mid-west extended only as far south as Oklahoma City.

### Death Sentence Of Negro Commuted

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—The death sentence of Carter Rollins, negro, sentenced to die in the electric chair January 20, today was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Ross Sterling.

Rollins was sentenced in Fort Worth for the slaying of a farmer.

### False Teeth and Horses Pay For Drinks in Mexico

By United Press.  
SAN BENITO, Tex.—Horses, false teeth and other loot of handiwork is the medium for exchange for drinks along the Mexican border, it was revealed here.

Revelations of liquor smuggling and the trading of bootleg by thieves for intoxicants was made by police following the questioning of a Mexican.

The Mexican said handiwork loot was traded for liquor from Mexico.

Police said revelations of the prisoner cleared up between 30 and 40 robberies here.

The prisoner, police said, revealed stolen horses, false teeth, automobile parts and tires used as medium between smugglers and customers.

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### Connecticut Has a Healthy Year

By United Press.  
HARTFORD, Conn.—Indications from a study of the mortality record, are that 1932 will prove to be the best in the history of Connecticut from a health standpoint.

According to Stanley H. Osborn, state commissioner of health, the death rate for the first 10 months of the year is the lowest record. There were sharp decreases in the number of deaths from typhoid fever, infantile paralysis, tuberculosis and children's diseases, namely measles, whooping cough, diphtheria and scarlet fever.

### Hunters In Boats Capture Rabbits

By United Press.  
PRINCETON, Ind.—Hunters took to row boats when the Wabash river went over its banks here, and forced rabbits and other game to higher ground.

One hunter reported capturing 28 mink on a knoll surrounded by water. Rabbits had taken to logs and other floating objects. The hunters reported they rowed up to the logs and grabbed their catch.

### Former Convict Is Killed By Officers

By United Press.  
HOUSTON, Jan. 17.—James Meadows, 22, former convict and suspect in a number of holdups, was shot to death today by officers who attempted to arrest him.

Motorcycle Officer Emmett Bailey was wounded in a brief pistol battle at a downtown street intersection.

### Old Age Ruined Theft Technique

By United Press.  
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah.—Advancing years slowly are hampering his larceny technique, Joe Richards, 45, complained to Police Judge Neph Jensen.

Richards was arrested and charged with stealing a leather jacket. When brought before Judge Jensen, he said:

"I must be getting old. I can't cover my tracks so well lately."

### Open Indoor Range

Eastland Legion Rifle Club Has New 25-Yard Gallery.

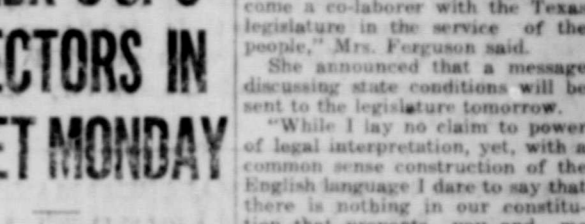
The American Legion Rifle club of Eastland has opened an indoor 25-yard range in the J. A. Beard building, 118 Lamar street, Eastland. They had their first shoot Jan. 13 and will meet every Tuesday and Friday night at 7:30 p. m. You can practice any time, open six days out of the week.

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### TEXAS PUBLISHERS FAVOR REDUCTION OF STATE EXPENSE

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Jan. 17.—Rather than rely on new sources of taxation, the state should endeavor to cut \$600,000 from its annual expense, editors of the state represented by the tax advisory committee of the Texas Press association, recommended today.

In the event new taxation becomes necessary after the greatest economy, it should be not in addition but in lieu of existing items of taxation, the committee said.

### RANGER C OF C DIRECTORS IN MEET MONDAY

The directors of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce met Monday night for discussion and action on several matters that need attention. W. D. Conway, president of the organization, presided at the meeting.

Six directors are to be selected by the city commission to fill expired terms and to fill vacancies caused by death and resignation of members who have moved out of town. A list of 19 names was selected at the meeting Monday night to be submitted to the city commission, from which they will select the six directors to fill the vacancies.

W. C. Hickey made a report on the Reconstruction Finance Corporation relief work as carried on during November and December in Ranger, giving a summary of the receipts and expenditures, as well as a report on the distribution of Red Cross flour, cloth and clothing during the past few months.

W. D. Conway in the absence of Ray Gilbreath, made a report on the annual membership drive, mentioning that the quota for 1933 for Ranger had been set at \$460. It was decided to await the return of Mr. Gilbreath from Fort Worth and let him select his own committee for raising the membership. Mr. Gilbreath, director of the organization from Ranger.

The annual chamber of commerce banquet was discussed and a committee composed of Charlie Moore, Morris Leveille, A. J. Raliff and H. C. Anderson was appointed to meet with a similar committee appointed by the Ranger Retail Merchants association to determine whether a joint banquet would be held and to make arrangements.

A report on the status of work on Highway 89 was made by W. D. Conway.

Those present at the meeting were W. D. Conway, Hal Walker, R. V. Galloway, C. E. May, Ben Whitehouse, Dr. P. M. Kaykay, J. H. C. Anderson, A. J. Raliff, Morris Leveille, Charlie Moore, Calvin Brown, J. E. McRoney and W. C. Hickey.

### Rural Church to Hold A Meeting

A fifth Sunday fellowship meeting has been announced for the Corinth Baptist church for Saturday, January 28 and Sunday, January 29, as follows:

Saturday, January 28, 10:30 a. m. Devotional service, led by Rev. B. F. Clement.

11:00 a. m. "Would It Be Scriptural to Use Soda Crackers in Observing the Lord's Supper?"—Discussion opened by Rev. J. C. Taylor.

7:00 p. m. "The Second Coming of Christ and Premillennial Reign," by Rev. Jasper C. Massey.

Sunday, January 29, 10:00 a. m. Bible School, First Corinthians third chapter.

11:00 a. m. "Verbal Inspiration of the Scripture," by Rev. A. A. Davis.

2:00 p. m. Devotional service led by Rev. Charles A. Massey.

2:15 p. m. "A God Called Ministry—Is It a Calling or a Profession—Has He a God-giving message and a Holy Spirit Selected Field?"—Discussion opened by Rev. W. L. Massey.

3:15 p. m. "Does Missionary Baptist Church have to be a member of any association, and does that Church have to use the Literature sent out by Baptist Headquarters in order to be a regular organized Baptist Church?"—Discussion opened by Rev. J. W. Tennyson.

7:00 p. m. Devotional Service led by Pastor, Rev. O. T. Hunt.

Fellowship Meeting—Sermon on Acts 2:41 to 44 by Rev. John W. Reynolds.

### ODD AD IS PRINTED.

MONTESANO, Wash.—E. D. Kellerman lost his sauer kraut cutter. He advertised as follows: "Kellerman can't but his graut kause some kussed kriter keeps his graut kutter."

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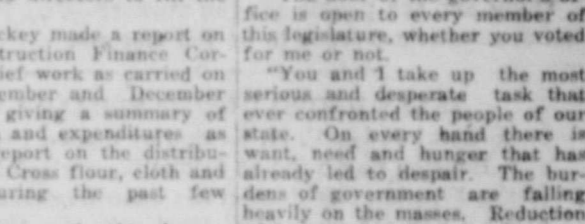
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Tsk! Tsk! How Times Have Changed!



DERRICK SHADOWS
By V. MARIE STEPHENS

All these fellows who are beating the air with expressive hands and introducing new ways and means to balance the budget remind me of a girl I knew in school who used to explain things in the form of common sense to lead us out of this... not 20 pages of technical phrases and predictions, no matter how tightly the author of the idea sticks.

River Question

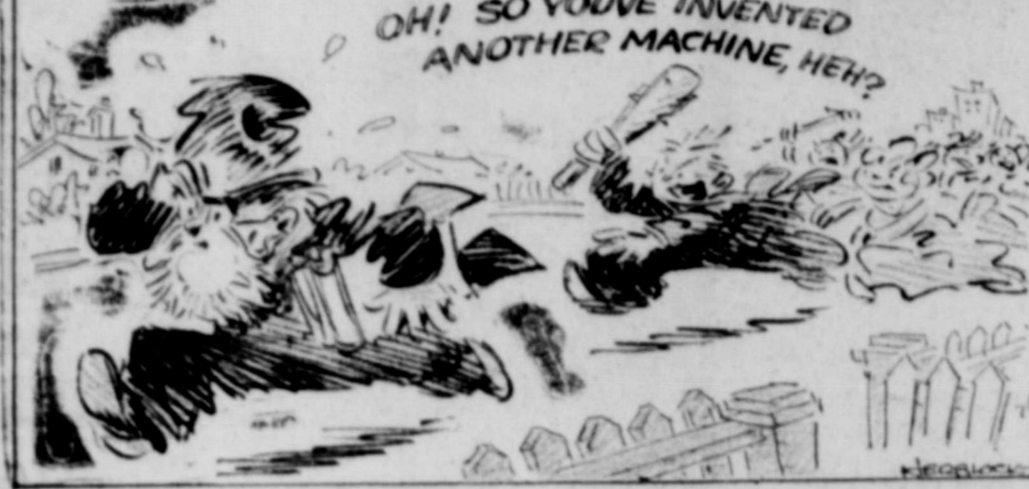
Word puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Clues include 'Products for which Russia is famous', 'Young owl', 'In what country is China?', etc.

A BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

PETITION AND ANSWER: This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.—Psalm 34: 6.

ARKANSAS LAWMAKERS DEMAND DEBT MORATORIUM

Arkansas is the home state of Sen. Joseph Taylor Robinson, minority leader. Arkansas has a new governor. Its lawmakers are grinding. On opening day moves were launched in both branches "to relieve debt ridden land owners through a two-year moratorium on mortgage foreclosures."



Markets

Table listing market prices for various commodities such as American Can, Am & F, Am Smelt, Anaconda, Auburn Auto, etc.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



IN ALASKA, near the scene of the explosion of Mount Katmai, in 1912, lies the "Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes." Much of the ground in this curious valley is too hot for walking. One can sleep comfortably in a tent on the coldest nights. A few feet below the surface, the temperature of the steam vents is very high, and scientists predict that some day this region will become a geyser basin greater than that of the Yellowstone.

CALIFORNIA HUNGER MARCHERS MAKE DEMANDS

Seven hundred so-called hunger marchers invaded the California capitol which was heavily guarded. These marchers carried 700 banners. Their leaders were admitted to senate and house. They read a list of 11 demands of the unemployed, "ranging from an outright gift of \$50 to each man to immediate pardon for Thomas J. Mooney and Warren K. Billings."

TEXAS NEGRO DENIED PRIMARY WRIT

Federal Judge T. M. Kennerley denied the application of a Houston negro for an injunction restraining members of the Houston city democratic executive committee from barring negroes from participation in the democratic primary Jan. 28. The plaintiff complained that negroes were being deprived of the right to vote solely for racial reasons in violation of the 14th amendment to the constitution of the United States.

A HINT TO TEXAS LAWMAKERS

Why not immediate ratification of the lame duck amendment to the constitution of the United States? To date not a dissenting vote has been cast against adoption by a lawmaker of any American commonwealth.

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK

United States Senator Arthur R. Robinson, of Indiana, says: "The old Romans had a word for it. They said, 'Carpe diem'—which in their vernacular meant, 'Take the Day,' or as we would say in 1933, 'Grab onto Opportunity.'"

Huge Rats Stay On Own Property

WASHINGTON.—Why a giant rat large enough to control acres of land should confine itself to a particular territory is a question which puzzles Dr. Joseph Grinnell of the University of California.

Ranger Personals

Mrs. Mae Healer was a visitor in Abilene the first of the week. She entertained as her week-end guest her son, Leo Healer, who is a student at A. C. C. Abilene, this year.

Doctor Opens An Office In Ranger

Dr. William Howard Brown of the Brown Drugless Sanatorium of Cisco has announced the opening of an office in the Paramount hotel in Ranger.

Eastland Personals

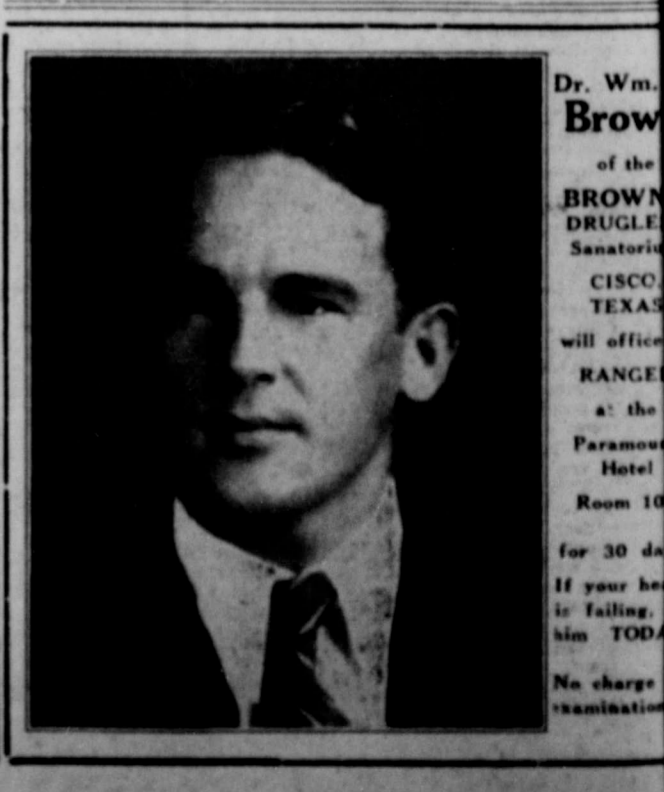
George and Buck Weaver of Kansas are visitors in Eastland this week. Mr. and Mrs. L. Beeson of the Connelley hotel are in Austin today to attend the inauguration of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson as governor.

LEGAL RECORDS

Chattel Mortgages. W. H. Fredericks to Cisco Banking Co., bay baler, rake, 150 bushels oats, turkeys; \$182.70. J. L. King to Cisco Banking Co., cows, stock and increase; \$370.

Oil Belt Student Activities At Texas University

Inez Graneau is doing outstanding work in the journalism school. She is a feature writer and reporter for the university paper. Inez will be remembered in Ranger as the niece of Rev. Mrs. Nichol.



Dr. Wm. Brown of the BROWN DRUGLESS SANATORIUM, CISCO, TEXAS, will office in the RANGER at the Paramount Hotel. Room 10. If your health is failing, see him TODAY. No charge examination.



# Local--Eastland--Social

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**Tonight.**  
Knights of Pythias, 7:30 p. m., K. of P. Hall.

**Wednesday.**  
Luncheon, 12 m., honoring Mrs. Susan Steele. Mrs. Mary Hughes, Mrs. Elizabeth Pettit. Sponsored by Susan Steele Bible class. Each attending provide a covered dish. Classroom Methodist church.  
Supervised Contract Club, 2 p. m., residence Mrs. J. H. Cheatham Sr.  
Public library, 2 to 5:30 p. m., community clubhouse.

**Book club, 2:30 p. m., Mrs. E. E. Freyschlag, hostess.** High School Parent-Teacher association, 3:30 p. m., program arranged by Mrs. W. P. Palm. Full attendance requested by Mrs. J. M. Perkins, president. High school auditorium.  
**Beethoven Junior Music club, 3:30 p. m., Mrs. A. F. Taylor, director.**

**An Error Corrected.**  
The Music Club of Eastland, in their presentation of a program on folk music and the origin of our American music, given on Friday afternoon, was opened with the only paper presented the club as a preliminary to the program, written and discussed by Mrs. T. J. Haley, who presented a magnificent analysis of the source of rhythm, and the manner in which its development was caught and reduced to written form. Through a loss in notes, this preliminary talk was accidentally omitted in the article concerning the meeting as previously published.

**Home Makers Class Elects President.**  
The Home Makers class of the Baptist church held their recent class meeting Sunday morning with Mrs. W. T. Morgan, first vice president, conducting.  
The resignation of Mrs. L. V. Simmonds, their president, was respectfully accepted. Mrs. William Sherrill, a charter member of the class, was elected president.  
A fourth vice president, Mrs. R. L. Drummond, was also chosen.  
Mrs. W. P. Palm, the former incumbent, was placed as assistant in the cradle roll department.

**Mrs. Claude Maynard, third vice president, assisted this special work for January:** Group 1, visits to poor farm to carry cakes and magazines; Group 2, visits to jail; Group 3, to provide food and locate needy families.

**Mrs. Clyde L. Garrett, class teacher, brought a fine lesson, "Jesus at Work," based on Mark 1:24-25.**  
The secretary reported one guest and 18 members present.

**Susan Steele Class Honors Three Women.**  
The Susan Steele Bible class extends cordial invitations to friends of Mrs. Susan Steele, Mrs. Mary Hughes, Mrs. Elizabeth Pettit, to attend an assembled luncheon, for which each coming is requested to provide a covered dish, for noon, Wednesday, tomorrow, in the basement of Methodist church.  
The luncheon honors these chosen members.

**High School P. T. A.**  
An interesting program arranged by Mrs. W. P. Palm, chairman, will be presented to the Parent-Teacher association of Eastland high school in the auditorium at 3:30 tomorrow afternoon.

**The West Ward harmonica band will give several numbers:** Supt. P. B. Bittle, a timely talk on pertinent questions, and a piano duet by Mary Frances Hunter and Cecil Seale, will close this portion of meeting.

**The president, Mrs. J. M. Perkins, has several important matters to present the association.**  
A full attendance is requested.

**Church of Christ Bible Class.**  
A fine lesson by Mrs. Loretta Herring, "Christ's Last Days on Earth," held the attention of the Church of Christ Bible class members, meeting on Monday afternoon, opened with hymn, "The Old Rugged Cross," led by Mrs. Hurley, followed with prayer by president, Mrs. D. L. Childress.  
A committee was appointed to visit Mrs. Miller, an aged member of the church, who is ill, and with the carried gifts from class by Mrs. M. C. Hayes and W. A. Teatsoth.

**Those present, Mrs. Albert Boswell of Hillsboro, a guest; and Mrs. H. E. Everett, W. D. Kellert, W. A. Teatsoth, James Gra-**

**ham, R. B. Reagan, H. E. Law-**

**rotter, Harry Wood, Guy Sherrill, J. R. Crossley, M. J. Pickett, L. Herring, Ira L. Hanna, John Young, Elmer Hurley, B. Down-**

**tain, N. K. Pratlley, D. L. Childress.**  
**Presbyterian Red Side Hostess at Luncheon.**  
Mrs. Ray Larner, captain of the Red Side, in the red and blue contest for membership, in auxiliary of the Presbyterian church, was hostess noon Monday to a covered dish luncheon, for her side of contending forces.  
Decorations in red geraniums centered the buffet table, where Mrs. James Horton presided over the coffee service. Two smaller flower centered tables were occupied by Mrs. E. Roy Townsend, Frank Bond, Harry Sone, J. H. Pangburn, J. J. Tablaman, Whatley, James Horton, Ray Larner.

**The menu of fruit salad, meat sandwiches, potato flakes, baked beans, pickles, doughnuts, cakes, and coffee was delectable.**  
Report of the membership contest showed "red" side, five points on visit to sick, five points on calls, and five points on membership. Following a social hour the ladies attended the auxiliary meeting.

**W. M. S. Baptist Church Interesting Meeting.**  
The Women's Missionary society of the Baptist church had their regular session opened Monday afternoon, by first vice president, Mrs. W. D. R. Owen, in absence of Mrs. Walker, their president.  
The hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," and devotional by Mrs. J. B. Overton, whose subject bore on worshipping false idols, and God's punishment when his children are led astray, was based on several biblical quotations.

**Mrs. Marvin Hood, chairman missions, conducted program, opening with prayer by Mrs. Frank Lovett.**  
The numbers as published in Eastland Telegram and bearing on theme, "Revival," were presented by Mrs. Jess Seibert, H. A. McCannles, Paul McFarland, A. J. Campbell.

**The circles will meet next Monday afternoon; No. 1 with Mrs. Dan Lovett; No. 2 with Mrs. Dan White; No. 3 with Mrs. W. J. Herrington, and No. 4 with Mrs. Lily Herndon.**

**Those present, Mrs. W. D. R. Owen, Paul McFarland, R. L. Young, Lily Herndon, J. P. Truly, Eugene Tucker, J. B. Overton, H. A. McCannles, Marvin Hood, John Williams, Jess Seibert, Ben White, W. J. Herrington, Frank Lovett, Frank V. Williams, Joe Neal, Vessel, A. J. Campbell, O. E. Darby, and Miss Sallie Morris.**

**Presbyterian Auxiliary Meets.**  
The Women's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church, both red and blue sides, met with Mrs. Hubert Jones Monday afternoon with session conducted by president, Mrs. M. C. Hayes, and minutes by Mrs. J. Leroy Arnold, secretary, approved, following the Lord's Prayer in ensemble.  
Roll call response was "How to Improve Motion Pictures."  
The devotional, "Women of the Bible," was led by Mrs. Frank Bond. The new members on red side were reported as Mrs. W. K. Jackson, Snowe Frost, J. J. Tablaman, E. Roy Townsend, and that this side had gained 320 points.

**The blue side, Mrs. Hubert Jones, captain, reported new members, Mrs. J. L. Cottingham, Mrs. Vern Hart, Mrs. D. L. Kinnard, Mrs. A. W. Stokes, and Mrs. Hickman Hankins, with a gain of 300 points.**  
The membership closes with the last meeting in March. The auxiliary voted to have free will offerings, instead of the usual monthly dues.

**Mrs. Harton led a fine lesson on life of Martin Luther. The next meeting of the auxiliary will be Feb. 6, 3 p. m., at home of Mrs. Bond.**  
The hostess served delicious individual raspberry tarts with whipped cream toppings and hot grapefruit punch to Mrs. Ray Larner, Robert Hazron, Harry Sone, Smith, James Harton, M. C. Hayes, J. Leroy Arnold, Frank Bond, Hubert Jones, J. J. Tablaman, E. Roy Townsend, J. L. Cottingham, J. H. Pangburn, A. W. Stokes, Vern Williams, D. L. Kinnard, Mrs. Stray Sr., Miss Mabel Hart, and a guest, Mrs. Whatley of Geaford, sister of Mrs. Bond.

**Eastland County Federation Meets in Rising Star Saturday.**  
The Eastland County Federation of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs is announced to hold the regular monthly meeting in the library of the women's clubhouse, 2:30 p. m., in Rising Star, on Saturday, Jan. 21.  
This is an unusually important meeting as the annual election of officers will be held.  
In addition, the Sixth District Texas art exhibit will be on display.

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# ANSWERS



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JENNY LIND was known as the Swedish Nightingale. The THORAX is that part of the trunk between the neck and abdomen.

# Eastland High School Notes

By KEITH McLAUGHLIN

**Chapel.**  
Chapel exercises were very short because the minister expected did not arrive. Mr. Palm made announcements about examinations, and Coach Gibson made an announcement about the Cisco game Tuesday night.

**Orations by the Oracle.**  
Does Simmons and Jim Tindall seem to visit Ranger quite a bit.

**Clubs.**  
The clubs of Eastland, requests that as many clubwomen as possible attend the Rising Star county federation meeting next Saturday.

**Junior Missionary Auxiliary Baptist Church.**  
The Junior Missionary society of the Baptist church met in assembly of the Sunbeams, and junior royal ambassadors, Saturday morning at the Baptist church, opening with a song service, including their favorites, "Are We Down-Hearted? No, No, No," and "Jesus is a Friend of Mine," with Mrs. W. J. Herrington as accompanist and Mrs. Lee Bishop leading.

**A chain of request prayers was led by John Allison, and followed by personal service report from Ancil Jr. Owen, for junior royal ambassadors, and Frances Layvone Darby for the Sunbeams.**  
The resolutions made for last year were read and compared with those for 1933, which were adopted.

**The major theme, "Send the Gospel Around the World," is the foundation of the resolution, "Painting for Jesus" was a splendid story brought by Ancil Jr. Owen, followed by round table of each child's expressed opinion of lesson, and closing with prayer by Mrs. Herrington, who will be the general chairman for the Junior Missionary auxiliary, for the place formerly occupied by Mrs. T. J. Pitts.**

**Mrs. J. P. Truly will be leader of junior department and Mrs. Lee Bishop, Sunbeam leader.**  
A big surprise is in store for the children next Saturday morning, and they will be served also a treat. All G. A. and R. A. and Sunbeams asked to attend.

**Those present, Junior R. A., Robert McFarland, Claud Williams, Ancil Jr. Owen, Charley Paul Williams, John Allison; Junior G. A., Lillian Lee Bishop, Vern Ella Allison, Othello Bishop; Sunbeams, Joan McFarland, Frances Layvone Darby, Myrtle Bishop, Anna Jean Darby, Roland McFarland, Grady Ned Allison, directors, Mrs. W. J. Herrington, J. P. Truly, and Lee Bishop.**

**W. M. S. Methodist Church.**  
A splendid meeting of the Women's Missionary society of the Methodist church, was held Monday afternoon, with a large attendance registered, one of the best since the influenza set in.  
The program, a playlet of a sort, called "A Mission Class Meeting," was presented by those members as announced by the president, Mrs. J. E. Hickman, published in Sunday's Telegram.

**The session opened with Mrs. Iola Mitchell, presiding in the absence of Mrs. Hickman.**  
Hymn, "On Higher Ground," and the minutes by Mrs. M. H. Kelly, secretary, prefaced the devotional, the eleventh and eighteenth chapters of Luke, brought by Mrs. Will Keith.

**Mrs. A. H. Johnson gave interesting bulletin news, and the demonstration of the mission class meeting, was presented under direction of Mrs. H. O. Satterwhite.**  
A very beautiful sacred voice solo was given by Mrs. A. H. Johnson, with Mrs. T. J. Haley as accompanist.

**Those present, Mrs. Iola Mitchell, June Kinsler, J. J. Minkie, George Brogdon, Harris, Howard Brock, J. H. Stewart, Earl Bonser, W. W. Kelly, Guy Dunsmen, M. H. Kelly, R. J. Braly, T. M. Johnson, H. O. Satterwhite, D. J. Johs, Castleberry, J. Frank Sparks, Will Keith, Milton Newman, P. L. Crossley, Ed Graham, E. C. Satterwhite, W. P. Leslie, A. H. Johnson, T. J. Haley, and conference president, Mrs. Sam G. Thompson.**

**Guests were Mrs. E. T. Murray, Smith, and L. A. Cook.**  
**Pythian Sisters Temple.**  
Mrs. Cass Frye, most excellent chief, conducted the first session of the Pythian Sisters temple held since her installation, and with a nice attendance of members.

**The committees for the first three months of temple work were appointed. Ways and means committee, Mrs. Artie Liles, M. Q. Taylor, Richard Jones; visiting committee, Mrs. Milton Newman, and Andrews; refreshments committee, Mrs. N. T. Johnson, J. A. Ross, and R. Duh.**

**The temple will meet next Monday night. Present, Mrs. N. T. Johnson, Watson, Blanche Nicols, Anna Rogers, Andrews, Artie Liles, M. Q. Taylor, Addie Slaughter, J. A. Ross, R. Duh, Milton Newman, O. B. Darby, and Cora Frye.**

# Ranger Social News

ARRITTA DAVENPORT, Editor — Phone 224, Ranger

**Mrs. Reimund Proves Pleasing Hostess at W. M. S. Study**  
Mrs. Walter Reimund, outgoing president of the Women's Missionary society of the First Baptist church succeeded by Mrs. Lee Mitchell, whose leadership is manifesting remarkable interest, proved a most pleasing hostess at her attractive Prairie Camp home, Monday afternoon when Circle No. 2 entertained with royal service program in compliment to Circle No. 1.

The entire lesson was given by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Thomas, whose ability in stressing the finer points in so forceful manner the program is declared one of the most profitable to have been given for several months.  
Mrs. Bert McGlamery of Eastland who was a welcomed and entertaining visitor in the city yesterday paid the meeting a surprise visit and read a letter from Dr. and Mrs. Lockett, who are doing wonderful work in the African field for foreign missions.

**During a delightful social held at the close of the program the hostess and circle members a daily refreshment plate served to 16 members and special guest, Mrs. McGlamery.**  
Mrs. G. W. Thomas will entertain Circle No. 1 at her residence, Walnut street next week, while members of Circle No. 2 will meet at the home of Mrs. Curry, McQuate street.

**Mrs. Hicklin Leads Program**  
A group of ladies of the Central Baptist church, active members of the Women's Missionary Union, met at the home of Mrs. E. S. Brink Monday afternoon in observance of their usual weekly mission study, which was most interestingly led by Mrs. Frank Hicklin.  
The lesson was prefaced by the reading of the devotional by Mrs. Sarah Scrivens. Mrs. C. C. Cash and Mrs. H. H. Stephens gave parts on the program lending instructive points to the profitable subject, "Revival."  
Mrs. Hicklin and Mrs. Cash sang a pretty vocal duet, preceding the saying of several prayers.

**Bearing the lesson to a close, Mrs. Bert McGlamery of Eastland, special honorary guest, read a very interesting letter from Dr. Lockett, a missionary of Africa, telling of his work in that particular field for foreign missions. Young Dorothy Jean Bruce, daughter of the president, Mrs. L. L. Bruce, favored the attentive audience with a reading, "A Church Tea," during the serving of a delicious refreshment course to a large number of members.**

**Mrs. Hagaman Presides At W. M. S. Monthly Business Session**  
The wide awake and enthusiastic president of the Women's Missionary society of the First Methodist church, Mrs. Leslie Hagaman who has long been a valued member of the organization presided at the monthly business session conducted at the usual hour Monday afternoon.

**Through reports were heard from each presiding officer including mention of why their office was the most important from their own personal analysis. Standing committees for the year's work were read together with the programs for each quarter.**  
Mrs. Cox, spiritual life chairman, read the devotional which prefaced this most important and interesting session.

**The bake sale formerly planned by this society has been postponed until Saturday week, Jan. 28.**  
**Thirty Members Enjoys Bible Lesson Led by Rev. Nichol**  
Thirty members were present for the Bible lesson conducted by Rev. D. W. Nichol, pastor of the Church of Christ Monday afternoon when the hour was well filled with impressively conveyed thoughts by the interesting Bible student talk from the third and fourth chapter of Acts.

**A part of each meeting day is devoted to discussion and plans to be carried forward when the new brick church is completed. Each member is enthused and eagerly awaiting the time when they will have the pleasure of conducting and attending services in this lovely building which will be one of the most beautiful churches in the city.**

**Mary Allen Lanier Celebrates Happy Birthday**  
Every hostess has her own attractive ideas as to what composes entertaining diversion for social affairs, and Miss Eva Long, popular teacher at Hodges Oak Park ward school, developed a most delightful one, when only recently she suggested to her room pupils that each birthday coming before

the close of school might be celebrated in the form of a room party.

Monday marked the seventh birthday of young Mary Allen Lanier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lanier, Pine street. A period of the morning study hour was devoted to a happy birthday party in compliment to the honoree, with games enjoyed by each student.  
Special decorations added color to the room and gifts in pretty wrappings were presented Mary Allen.  
A beautiful white birthday cake adorned with seven tiny candles, was furnished by the honoree's mother and served at the close of the party.

# Ranger High School Notes

JEWELLE JUDD, Editor

**Basketball Team Defeats Straws**  
The Ranger girls basketball team defeated Straws girls in a hard fought game Monday night, played in the Eastland gym. The Ranger line-up was: Forwards, Louise Arnett (captain), Ella Mae Smith, guards, Dorothy Dell Smith, Allie Ball; jump center, Louise Sharp; run center, Dorothy Dodd. There were no substitutes.

**The Stood Pigeon Speaks**  
School at 8:15. I was tardy this morning but I wasn't by myself. It may be a bit late for New Year's resolutions, but nevertheless I resolve to get up each morning 20 minutes early—a lot of others had better follow my rule.  
Evelyn Kryan seems to be in great demand. No less than six girls ask me where they could find him today.

**The seniors welcome La Nita Davis. La Nita is a former student of Ranger high but has been attending school in San Antonio, and as Coach "Eck" Curtis remarked, "She hasn't changed a bit, except to grow a little taller."**  
The sophomores have as a new member to their class, Mary Shirden of Electra. Mary is Katherine Sheridan's honorable "little sis." All you juniors and seniors remember Katherine who attended Ranger high a couple of years ago. Katherine is now Mrs. Pat Macmorrow.

**I hear Elmer Brown, from Eastland is turning detective trying to locate Nanolea (the Australian cheese hound) for Marjorie Clark of Ranger.**  
Marjorie held open house Sunday afternoon. Those present were Keith McLaughlin, Gordon McLaughlin, Jim Tindall, Jimmie Phipkin, Jim Blair, Helen Goforth, Elizabeth Turner, Catherine Barker, Helen Condon and hostess, Marjorie Clark. Bridge and dancin' were the main entertainment until someone yelled "Bring on the cats!"

**What is it about H. L. Stewart that causes Dorothy Johnson to catch her breath?**  
Jessie White seems to always be waiting for some one at the side door after school.

**I wonder what Mrs. Healer would do without Christiana Bepren? She is really a "prize possession" to more people than Mrs. Healer.**

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**Technocracy Film Showing in Ranger**  
B. E. Garner, manager of the Arcadia Theater in Ranger, announced today that he had secured a film on the subject of technocracy, which was being shown in his theatre today and tomorrow. The reel, the only one of its kind ever produced, will explain to the layman many of the features of the subject that he has not been able to understand before.  
The picture will be shown in connection with the feature picture for the two days, "Downstairs," featuring John Gilbert, who is also the author of the story.

# THE TURN OF THE YEAR

THE turn of the year always brings with it a feeling of hopefulness... a renewed desire to help bring about an improvement. By custom also it is a time of inventory. A year's operations are closed. What was the result?  
For most of us in Texas, as elsewhere, 1932 was a year of problems.  
We in the telephone business were no exception. Like everyone else, we had our troubles.  
Curtailed business activity and necessary retrenchment in homes resulted in serious losses in telephone revenue. Every employee is working part-time. In spite of drastic economies, net telephone earnings fell below the actual cost of money.

**A difficult situation**  
This is trying enough to those businesses whose prices were not restricted by regulation in the period of high activity. Consider then the situation of the telephone company. When many businesses might have taken advantage of prosperous times to build up large reserves against the day when prices might drop, the telephone business was restrained by regulation to earning little more than the cost of money.  
We believe that this situation is fair. For our operating policy publicly announced even before the boom years, is to render telephone service at the lowest cost consistent with financial safety. It does mean, however, that telephone earnings which were restricted at times of peak commodity prices, and are now below the cost of money, cannot in fairness be further reduced.

**Business recessions — and regulation**  
Some idea of the peculiar hardships worked by the present business recession upon a regulated business, such as the telephone company, can be gained from this recent ruling by a regulatory commission:  
"Were the utilities unregulated, as is true of private enterprises, if they were free during prosperous times to fix rates without regulatory control, then they could with justice perhaps be subjected to the price fluctuations suffered by private business during economic depressions. If, however, they have not been permitted to earn more than a fair return during prosperous times, this fact must

be given due consideration when we deal with their rates and their rate of return during periods of business depression."  
Notwithstanding these difficulties and others peculiar to the period, we believe you will agree that your telephone service on the average was good. Interruption to service were the lowest on record. No telephones were installed on the appointment plan, at a time set by the subscriber. Long distance calls were handled faster than ever before. Telephone lines and switchboards were carefully maintained, insure continued satisfactory service, as on with unabated efforts for ways to effect improvements and economies.  
Thus, despite the hardships of the year some progress was made in 1932. We hope that 1933 will see still greater progress not only in maintaining the quality of your service, but in helping to work your way out of the difficulties that surround us all.  
During 1933, for example, the thousands of telephone employees will continue to spend their pay in Texas. They will put back into circulation more than a third of the money you pay for your telephone service.  
The telephone company in Texas pays out in taxes nearly three million dollars... another sizable part of the total sum that you pay us. This will be to defray the expenses of federal, state and local governments.  
**Our plans for 1933**  
Recognizing the importance of good telephone service to a state with the area of Texas, the telephone company stands ready to spend substantial sums in order to keep in good condition its poles, switchboards and other equipment.  
For many years we have had high regard for the stability and growth of Texas. We have backed that faith by raising necessary money to erect the telephone plant which serves 276 communities, provides much of the long distance telephone service which Texans use.  
The rigorous experiences of the last three years have not shaken our belief in the future of Texas. We intend to move forward, along with other Texans, in firm conviction that gradually we will work our way out of the difficulties of these days.  
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