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THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy to light and Tuesday, slightly colder in extreme north portion.

Those filling out U. S. unemployment blanks can always consider that it has the effect of casting their loaf upon the water.

S. ACCEPTS AP APOLOGY; INCIDENT ENDS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Japanese government today accepted the apology for the bombing of the U. S. gunboat Panay and today to have closed the incident.

The affair was ended technically by a holiday week-end by Secretary of State Cordell Hull. A note to the Japanese minister of foreign affairs, but expressed the earnest hope that steps be taken to prevent any further attacks upon, or unlawful interference by Japanese nationals, with American nationals, interests or property in China.

Only one phase of the incident was in disagreement and that was on that of the Panay and sinking of the Panay by Japanese planes, was an incident as the Japanese government insists, or whether, as reported, the Panay commander, it deliberate and intentional.

NEW CRISIS FORESEEN NEAR MAP WAR ZONE

HANGHAI, Dec. 27.—New international complications threatened today when Japanese authorities announced a series of drastic regulations aimed at persons, Chinese or foreign, who commit offenses against Japanese forces in China.

A few hours after the regulations were announced a Japanese spokesman complained that he had thrown three hand grenades of Chinese type at a military launch in Soochow Creek, bordering the British sector of the International Settlement. One of the bombs exploded and wounded a Japanese.

Regulations apply to all areas occupied by the Japanese in other parts of China as well as in Shanghai.

A death penalty is provided under the regulations for anyone who does not comply sufficiently serious.

Red Is Enroute to Washington to Attend Conference

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Gov. James Allred was enroute today to Washington, leaving Austin full of political speculation.

The announced purpose of the trip is a consultation with representatives of the Federal Social Security Board with reference to laws in Texas. Politically, Austin thought the trip also result in other conferences.

Reports from Washington that Crowley, solicitor of the U. S. Post Office Department would be governor if Allred does not seek a third term, was also discussed as a possible Washington, and connected with it report that the national administration might like to see a "barn race" by Allred as a "barn race" on a national third-term campaign.

Antonio Mayor Be Candidate in Governor's Race

ANTONIO, Dec. 27.—C. K. Quinn of San Antonio announced his intention today to run for the democratic candidacy for governor of Texas in the 1938 election, provided Mrs. Miriam Quinn does not run.

Quinn, a liberal, is head of the Antonio democratic machine and would not file for a primary until it was definitely announced that Mrs. Ferguson, the governor, would not be re-elected.

Youth, 15, Gets Life in Murder



While most boys his age are going to skating parties, dances and other winter social activities, pleasant-appearing 15-year-old Nick Megugorac, above, has nothing to look forward to except a life in prison. A jury convicted him of murdering a filling station attendant during a holdup in Los Angeles. Superior Judge Dudley Valentine sentenced the youngster, but was so broken up by the case he had to go home to bed.

Augusta Phillips Rites Scheduled

Funeral services for Augusta Phillips, 89, who died Sunday night, were scheduled Monday afternoon at the family residence on North Virginia street in Eastland.

Rev. Robert E. Bowden, pastor of the Church of God in Eastland, was to preside and burial service was to be in Eastland cemetery.

Mr. Phillips was born October 26, 1848 in Alabama and had been a resident of Eastland county for 40 years.

Hanner Undertaking company, Eastland, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Gorman Doctor's Vehicle Is Stolen

Officers Monday were seeking a car stolen Sunday night from Dr. George W. Blackwell of Gorman. Deputy Sheriff Tug Underwood reported that the car, a 1937 master Chevrolet coach, was parked by the First Baptist church in Gorman when stolen.

The car was of brown color and had license numbers of 332-518.

Well Known Oil Man Dies in New York

Word has been received here of the death of Col. H. B. Seibe, for a number of years associated with the Sinclair Oil Company. Col. Seibe, who was born at Teague, and was known by a number in this section of the country, was a member of the 26th division during the World War. His death occurred recently at his home in New York, where he has lived for a number of years.

2,315 Bales Ginned in Eastland County

The census report shows that 2,315 bales of cotton were ginned in Eastland county from the crop of 1937, prior to Dec. 13, as compared with 2,704 bales from the crop of 1936.

The report was made as of Dec. 24, by Mrs. Lanny E. Mancill, special agent of the Department of Commerce, bureau of the census.

Morton Valley Man Posts \$500 Bond

Deputy Sheriff Tug Underwood reported Friday that Frank Hensley of Morton Valley, charged by complaint with alleged theft over \$50, has posted \$500 bond.

Also, said the official, the sheriff's department has approved \$250 bond of Hensley on a misdemeanor charge filed in Young county.

Rank Work Slated By Eastland Group

First rank work is scheduled at Tuesday night's meeting of the Knights of Pythias. It was announced Monday.

New Deal Ready For a Drive Upon All Monopolies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The new deal appeared to be preparing for a concerted drive against monopolies in the courts and in the regular session of congress next year.

Assistant Attorney General Robert Jackson attacked monopolies in a radio address last night, charging that price boosting by them was responsible for the current business recession.

Act of Congress Needed to Cash a Check for One Cent

DALLAS—S. J. Nadel of Dallas decided against asking congress for a special appropriation to cash a 13-year-old government check issued to him. The check was part of a refund on his 1924 income tax.

The United States treasury refunded 25 per cent of Nadel's 1924 income tax, and then found it had made a mistake and sent a second check. He misplaced the check and had almost forgotten about it when he received a letter asking that the check be cashed.

A second letter arrived and then a treasury representative called on Nadel and offered to arrange for a duplicate check to replace the lost one. The treasury department asked that a bond equal the amount of the check be posted before a duplicate was issued and Nadel failed to make the arrangements.

Then a letter arrived saying that payment on the check had been stopped, but Nadel could ask congress to appropriate sufficient funds to cash the check.

Nadel found the check recently and decided to keep it as a souvenir. It was for one cent.

50 Boys Will Get NYA Jobs In Jan.

AUSTIN—About 50 boys from Texas metropolitan centers will be assigned to a National Youth Administration Resident Work and Training project starting late in January 1938 at Southwest Texas State Teachers College in San Marcos. J. C. Kellam, State Youth Director, announced.

The youths will be selected by local committees composed of representatives of organized labor, educators versed in trades and industries, an employers. Harry W. Acreman, Executive Secretary of the Texas Federation of Labor, has advised with Mr. Kellam concerning the project, and Travis J. Lewis, Vocational Coordinator for the Fort Worth School system, is assisting in organizing the project. Mr. Lewis has already conferred with labor leaders and educators in San Antonio, Houston, Waco, Austin, Dallas, and Fort Worth regarding selection of youths.

Only young men who are eligible for NYA employment and who are regarded by labor officials as available for apprenticeship following completion of the course will be assigned to the project. The youths will work about 60 hours a month on the college campus in order to earn enough money to pay for room and board. They will receive about 100 hours instruction and training each month in a general industrial training shop course in wood and metal work.

James R. D. Eddy, director of the Vocational Education Division of the State Department of Education, is cooperating with the College and the NYA in developing the course of study. Homer O. Miles, who was recently selected to head the Industrial Arts department of the College faculty, will be in active charge of the training course.

The Texas Youth Administration has operated several Resident Work and Training projects. Last summer nearly 500 youths interested in farming were assigned to projects at half a dozen Texas colleges. A series of three-month domestic service training projects aimed at turning untrained Negro girls into competent house maids has been operated at Prairie View State College since September 1936. More than 75 per cent of the youths who completed the Prairie View training course are now privately employed. Mr. Kellam said. Another unit of this course will begin January 15.

Guards Coast in Mystery Patrol



Ordered to patrol the coast of Southern California in mysterious U. S. fleet maneuvers the destroyer Balch, shown above in San Diego harbor, one of four new, heavily armed "rocket battleships." Instead of single guns, fore and aft, the Balch carries eight five-inch guns in twin turrets—the armament of a cruiser. Naval authorities refused to comment on the California patrol, the guarding of navy yards, or the halting of four fishing vessels off San Diego harbor.

Texas Supplies Stock for New "Store" Run by U. S., Ace Helium Merchant

AMARILLO—Uncle Sam, merchant, is opening up a new store in Washington, selling helium gas to the world for non-military aviation and scientific and medical uses, but his "factory" is here on the Panhandle plains—and it's by far the largest of the only three commercial-scale helium producing plants in the world.

By authority of the Sheppard-Hill bill signed by President Roosevelt on September 1, the Bureau of Mines is empowered to produce and sell helium to citizens and corporations of the United States and even to export it, with the reservation that any export quantities deemed of "military importance" must be specially licensed by the President.

Already the State Department has approved the application for 17,900,000 cubic feet of helium for the German Zeppelin Company, paving the way for resumption of dirigible flights between Germany and the United States next spring.

Originally planned to start Jan. 1, inauguration of sales and exports of helium now awaits only completion of final steps in the purchase of two privately-owned manufacturing plants at Louisville, also authorized by the congressional act and expected shortly, when government control of all helium will be absolute. The government has gas rights to 50,000 acres in the Panhandle, and also owns reserve fields in Utah.

The story of development of this rare and precious, non-inflammable gas goes back to the winter of 1916-17, when England appealed to America for helium. Her dirigibles were referred to a man who, seven years before, had shouldered responsibility for accepting another English proposal which revolutionized automobile transportation in America. Arthur Hudson Marks, now vice-chairman of the board of the B. F. Goodrich company, in 1908 had said "yes" to a British proposition which gave America the cord tire that had been pioneered in England.

Then in 1916-17, as a civilian volunteer in the service of the Bureau of Construction and Repair of the Navy Department, Marks, with government experts, studied through a 12-year accumulation of government files and within 48 hours had given the go-ahead for intensive development of America's helium resources in Texas, obtaining an initial sum of \$750,000 from the War and Navy departments.

From this grew experimental helium extraction plants at Petrolia and Fort Worth, in 1918, which produced 200,000 cubic feet—not enough to help either the United States or England in the war, but enough to establish the possibilities of production.

The first permanent plant was established near Fort Worth by April, 1921, and produced 46,000,000 cubic feet before January, 1929, when operations were re-

Loyalists Claim Complete Victory At Rebel Teruel

HENDAYE, Spain, Dec. 27.—Spanish Loyalists asserted today that two small groups of buildings in which the remnants of a nationalist garrison held out at Teruel, were aflame and that all the defenders seemed doomed.

There were persistent reports from loyalist centers that several high Spanish fascist leaders were trapped in the buildings and that one reason for the refusal of indications to surrender was that the leaders knew they faced execution if captured.

Visit to Doctor Is Urged By the State Health Officer

AUSTIN, Texas—Stock taking or inventory time will be here in just a few days and Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges everyone to visit their family physician and have a thorough physical examination.

Each year merchants take an inventory of their assets to determine the condition of their business. Personal health is a big business for everybody, and they should take stock of their physical condition at least once a year.

Perhaps it is lack of persistent warning, but it seems to be downright carelessness that permits one of the greatest lifesavers yet developed by science to be scorned by the majority. For, in spite of repeated statements concerning the advantages of early discovery and treatment of conditions which are only possible by way of a physical examination at a time when one feels and looks well, the antiquated idea of snubbing the doctor until pain and illness overtakes one still rules.

Cancer, tuberculosis, nephritis, diabetes and heart ailments are below the belt hitters. Being master criminals they attack silently, and frequently have their victims in their power before they are aware of their presence.

It is urgently recommended that those who wish to live throughout the year and other years to come, as healthily and happily as possible, should have a complete physical examination. The correction of any defects in their early stages will save much time, suffering and money.

Girls' Hats Collected As Hobby by Athlete

BERGER, Texas.—When a Berger high school football player was called to the principal's office for taking a girl's hat, he said that it was his hobby.

The youth invited the principal to see his collection of feminine millinery, each piece a different color and shape.

"I always ask for them first. But sometimes I don't get them for asking and I have to use other means," he explained.

Grandmother's Quick Wits Save a Girl

FORT WORTH, Texas.—Quick thinking of an 84-year-old grandmother saved the life of Helen Edmondson, high school sophomore.

The girl was in a local hospital, critically burned. Her dress was ignited by the flame of an open gas heater, and the girl ran through the house. Her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Edmondson caught her and threw a quilt about her, smothering the fire.

Accident Victim to Be Buried Tuesday

FUNERAL SERVICES for Doyle Lamance, of Modesto, Calif., who was killed in an automobile accident near Van Horn Sunday, are to be conducted at Gorman Tuesday, it was stated here today.

The accident victim was on his way to Gorman for a visit at the time of his death. He was a nephew of B. R. Lamance of Ranger.

License Seekers Mark Christmas

Although the courthouse and his office were closed for the day, County Clerk R. V. Galloway issued four marriage and two hunting licenses on Christmas.

The license seekers found Galloway at his home where with his family he was observing the holiday.

WED AT EASTLAND

Miss Ozella Rich and Alvin Puckett of Fort Worth were married Christmas day in the Church of God parsonage by Rev. Robert E. Bowden, pastor at Eastland.

Quizzed in 7-Year Murder Mystery



Quizzed for seven years by the murder of Beulah Limerick, pretty girl, Washington, D. C. police believed they were on the verge of its solution in a renewed investigation. Among the witnesses questioned was Mrs. Rose Langdon, above, wife of a former policeman whose name had been linked with that of Miss Limerick.

Mixed Drink Plan To Be Considered

AUSTIN, Dec. 27.—State liquor administrator Bert Ford today agreed to consider a new mixed-drink plan at a hearing here tomorrow morning.

Applicants are the Wagside, State and Crown taverns in Fort Worth. They want to give up beer permits, build lockers for patrons to store bottles and mix their own drinks. The liquor law permits storage of liquor under permit.

Family Reunion Is Held by Members of Blankenship Family

A family reunion was celebrated at the W. H. Blankenship home at 301 East Main street in Ranger, Saturday night and Sunday, when the children of Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Peck fathered for Christmas supper on Christmas evening. A sumptuous supper was served Saturday night and all remained throughout Sunday.

Those present at this affair were Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Blankenship, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Peck, son, A. C. and daughter, Tina Frances; Mr. and Mrs. John Blankenship and Polly, Mr. and Mrs. J. Powell and children of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Adams, sons, Douglas and Milton; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Kinyon of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Angus and children of Pecos, Texas, and Fred Blankenship of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Angus and children returned to their home in Pecos Sunday and the Adams and Kinyons returned to Lubbock, Monday.

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Ford Workers Are Fired Upon When They Go to Work

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—One man was beaten severely and several shots were fired at caravans of Ford workers today in a renewal of violence in connection with a United Automobile Workers strike at the Ford plant here. Shots were fired from a vacant building.

Five Ford workers, enroute to the plant in another group, told police they were stopped by two men armed with shotguns. The men made them turn their eyes around and told them to "beat it."

DEATHS MOUNT OVER STATE IN SAFETY SURVEY

AUSTIN, Dec. 27.—State safety officials today estimated the state's traffic toll for 1937 will reach 2,050 deaths. The estimate was based on November increase of about 65 above the October death total and on December unofficial records to date.

Twenty-eight Texans lost their lives during the Christmas holidays as heavy traffic and violence took their toll.

Highway mishaps caused 19 deaths and gunfire the lives of three.

Mrs. May McMasters, 73, of Dallas, died Monday from a bullet wound. Mrs. McMasters was shot by her husband, E. A. McMasters, at her home Christmas Day, when she walked into the line of pistol fire as her husband shot at his step-son, Mike McMasters, 42.

The body of Hubert Pyle, 21, Wichita Falls dentist college student, was sent to Electra for burial Tuesday. Pyle was killed instantly Saturday night when his car crashed into a truck near Wichita Falls. His cousin, Miss Sarah Chatfield, of Harlingen, was in a Sweetwater hospital with minor injuries.

Miss Irene White, 32, of Amarillo, died Sunday from injuries suffered in a wreck in which her uncle, J. W. Jones, of Amarillo, was killed last Wednesday. The accident occurred near Memphis.

Savings Ass'n. Will Pay Dec. Dividends

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Dividends through December 31, in excess of two million dollars will be received by the 48,470 shareholders in the 112 insured savings and loan associations in Texas, according to figures just compiled by the Federal Home Loan Bank.

The current year has been a very satisfactory one for the Texas associations which have been quite active in the home financing field. In the past five months they have made 3,777 home loans aggregating \$7,019,456. Of these, 1,750 loans, aggregating \$3,515,000, were for new construction and repairs of Texas homes. Since July 1, the Texas associations have made 1,011 loans totaling \$1,942,000 to assist owners in the purchase of their homes.

The aggregate loans in November for the five states of Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and New Mexico, comprising the Ninth Federal Home Loan Bank District, were \$2,910,000, being \$370,000 less than the total for the month of October. This decrease is in keeping with the expected seasonal decline in building activities.

The First Federal Savings and Loan Association in Ranger, whose shares are insured, had a substantial gain in assets during the year, the Bank stated, and their figures are included in the report.

Officials of the Bank said the current newspaper advertising campaign has resulted in better informing the public of the additional protection afforded savers through insurance up to \$5,000 for each account by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. They said this added safety doubtless has been responsible for much of the increased volume of new investments received, which since July 1, in the entire district, amount to \$9,399,810.

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RANGER TIMES Has Guest Tickets Tuesday for Mr. and Mrs. Jody Stevens To See ROBERT YOUNG in "NAVY BLUE AND GOLD" AT THE ARCADIA Call at Daily Times Office

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Anti-War Petition Is Worth Signing

America is a nation of petitioners. You can always get at least a few people to sign a petition for practically anything—to nominate Joe Doakes for dog catcher or to demand a reduction in the tariff on mother-of-pearl collar buttons—and the ordinary petition has a life as brief and as insignificant as that of the May fly.

But once in a blue moon there is an exception. For if you get enough people to sign your petition—so many that you can number them in the millions—then your petition is no May fly at all, but something that gets attention in carload lots.

Such a petition is being circulated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars—a petition calling on Congress and the President to keep the United States out of war.

The V. F. W. plans to circulate these petitions through each of its 3600 posts throughout the country. It is seeking the aid of newspapers, radio stations, civic clubs, women's organizations, churches, fraternal groups, and so on. It hopes to get 25,000,000 Americans signed up on a demand that Congress let the rest of the world fight its battles without American help.

There can be little doubt that this petition, whether it gets its 25,000,000 signatures or not, pretty accurately reflects the feelings of the people of the United States. For although public opinion can be hard to gauge, there is one thing—the overwhelming desire of the American people to keep out of war—about which there can be no doubt.

Nor can there be any doubt that such a petition, backed by that great weight of names, would have a profound effect on the people who run our government. No administration and no Congress would dare flout a wish expressed as unmistakably as that. No propagandist anxious to get us into a foreign war would get far, trying to stem such a current. Get those 25,000,000 signatures and you guarantee peace for America—as far as peace can be guaranteed in this highly uncertain world.

Do we want to tie our hands that way? At a time when international gangsters are on the prowl as never before, do we want to make it plain that no matter what they do we shall not lift a hand to stop them—unless, of course, they start muscling in on our own shoes?

Well—why not? We learn things the hard way, always; but 1918 must have been enough to teach us that war is a poor way of removing wrongs from this world. We may not know precisely what our world mission is, but this is pretty clear: we can best serve the world by keeping our broad land free of the war spirit, by saving this continent as an oasis where human civilization can go on developing without sacrificing its best to the war god.

If you get a chance at the V. F. W. petition, sign it.

NEW DOCTOR ON THE CASE



Du Pont Address Contains Tip For Texas On Policies

DALLAS—Sections of the widely-heralded analysis of "industry's outlook" made by Lamont du Pont before the Congress of American Industry are cited in a current report of the All-South Development Council as pointing an opportunity for Texas to achieve industrial growth far beyond that which has accrued simply from her natural advantages.

In his plea for a lifting of "the fog of uncertainty that blankets industry" du Pont, president of the far-flung E. I. du Pont de Nemours company, pointed out that "while we were once dependent wholly on natural materials, only man's ingenuity is now the limiting factor in industry," and that ingenuity, in turn, is limited by fear of new restrictions on capital, new limits on profits.

Pointing out that American opinion is virtually unanimous that the chief hope for permanent adjustment of major economic differentials lies in vigorous expansion into new fields, du Pont pleaded, "give industry a reasonable degree of certainty upon which it can count in planning current and future operations. In short, lift the fog and let us see the road we must travel."

While du Pont's address, hailed as one of the most reasonable and constructive analyses of "industry's side," was concerned chiefly with federal legislation, the Council's report notes that the comments are certainly applicable to state governmental trends, and that the opportunity for Texas to take a commanding position in the competition for industries and wealth-creating investment lies in its adopting and promulgating a far-sighted policy assuring indus-

try stable conditions under which to operate. In this connection the following du Pont excerpt was termed especially noteworthy, in view of the admitted instability of Texas tax schedules and the lack of any constitutional limits to taxing power: "At this juncture, the stabilization of tax rates over a definite period, plus a simplification of the tax structure, may be almost of more importance than the actual level of taxes. . . . The present fear that we face a rapidly ascending tax scale, as well as new taxes the nature of which nobody can guess, stands like a wall in the part of industrial expansion."

Should Texas become the first and foremost state to attain such stabilization, the report concludes, it would have an economic and political advantage commensurate with her established advantages of resources, climate and population.

Margaret Martin, one of the government's star witnesses and one of the alleged victims of the white slave racket, brought the cat with her from Denver to Laramie last June.

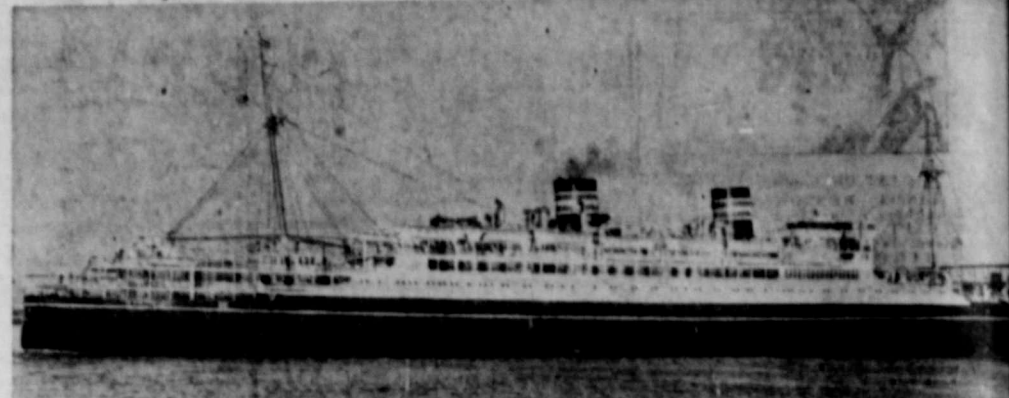
Persian Kitten Is Important Key to White Slave Case

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—A Persian kitten was given credit for "breaking" a local white slave case here which will be retried in Federal court.

When she and her escort started a violent quarrel in Laramie, observers believed it was over the cat. The real cause was over her intention to go to a local rooming house, according to officers.

Police were finally called to settle the quarrel by determining who was the rightful owner of the cat. Both were jailed on charges of disturbance and the cat put in the cell with Miss Martin.

Japanese Ship Raided by U. S. Custom Man



The seizure of letters alleged to contain information about the Bremerton navy yard on Puget Sound was reported after an unexpected raid on the S. S. Tatsuta Maru, above, Japanese liner, last before was scheduled to sail from San Francisco. The U. S. Navy has tightened its guard on the Pacific Coast to check the flow of information about its defenses.

ALAMEDA

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Calvert and children visited her mother, Mrs. Jim Mosley Sunday the 12 to help celebrate her birthday. Her children and grand children were there. She was an old settler here before moving to Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and son, Bryan Dale and Mrs. Wash Garrett and granddaughter from Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Deal and little daughter visited the J. L. and J. S. Browne Sunday, the 12th.

Cullen Lockhart visited the J. L. and J. S. Browne Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thurman and sister, Katy visited with Mrs. Warren Smick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and son of Baird will stay a few days with Mrs. J. L. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Deal and little daughter and Mrs. Will

ALAMEDA

Underwood and son and grandmother and Mrs. Joe Tucker and Mrs. Ernest Calvert and Mrs. Smick and Mrs. Pearl Price and Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thurman and sister, Katy visited Mrs. The Underwood boys were in Ranger Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Deal and little daughter and Mrs. Pearl Price and Truitt Grice were in Ranger Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Melton have returned from New Mexico where they have been visiting for the past month.

I wish all of you at the Ranger Times a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Dallas Firemen Are Getting Queer Calls

DALLAS — December fires didn't keep Dallas firemen busy, but miscellaneous services were a different story.

During the month the fire department removed a cat and a parrot from a tree, pulled a car out of a creek, removed a man from under a truck, removed the body of a murdered man from a river, aided a woman through an upstairs window when she locked her key inside her home; rescued several families stranded by high water, and repaired Christmas toys for under-privileged children.

Geologists to View State's Oil Strata

AUSTIN—Nationally prominent geologists will view some Texas outstanding oil strata field trips announced as part of the program for the 11th national convention of Sigma Gamma Sigma here Dec. 29 to 31.

The Greek letter fraternity, voted to interests of studying geology, mining, metallurgy, petroleum engineering and ceramic was found at the University of Kansas in 1915. There are now chapters. Many of the national officers of the organization will attend the convention. They are: E. F. Schramm, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; E. P. Hanson, U. S. National Museum, Washington, D. C.; K. K. Lee, University of Kansas, Lawrence; E. T. Hodge, Oregon State College, Corvallis; C. B. Carpenter, Colorado School of Mines, Golden; F. M. Bullard, University of Texas, Austin; W. A. Tarr, University of Missouri, Columbia. Zeta chapter of the University of Texas will be lost for the convention. Its officers are: Jerry Bartley and E. A. Dodson of Austin, R. C. Redfield and J. Frost, Houston, Dr. R. H. Coe of the University of Texas is chapter sponsor.

Goddess of Beauty crossword puzzle with clues and a picture of a woman.

Where the Hoover Went Aground



This map tells graphically the story of the luxury liner Hoover's last voyage, when she sailed a strange course and went aground off Hoihohoto—an island so little known that few charts show it. Taking off 435 passengers, the crew stayed with the vessel until her keel was broken by the pounding waves.

Large advertisement for 'STRICTLY Personal' with text about advertising in the paper.

Related Holiday

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CAST OF CHARACTERS
 LINDA BENTON—Heroine, daughter of a famous singer.
 CAPT. HARRYMORE TRENT—Hero, flying instructor.
 MIRANDA TRENT—Harry's grandmother, a "strong woman."

Yesterday Captain Trent is reported well along on the last leg of his rescue flight. It is feared, however, a tropical storm in his path might prove disastrous.

CHAPTER X
 As Linda came downstairs next morning, Jefferson entered the dining room with the morning mail.

"Telegram for you, Miss Linda," he said, beaming broadly. "The message read simply, 'Be sure to see that the Duchess behaves herself, Barry.'"

Old Miranda had one, too. She read it aloud. "Don't forget the Christmas tree. And how about chestnuts for stuffing?"

Then she picked up the morning paper. As she scanned the headlines, her fingers tightened on the sheet. Linda, standing just behind her, shamelessly read the lines over her shoulder.

CAPTAIN TRENT THOUGHT FORCED DOWN RADIO SILENT

As Linda stood there, the back of her hand tight against her quivering lips, the old lady looked up, and for a moment their glances clung together in mute question.

Then Mrs. Trent said briskly, "You may bring the coffee, Jefferson."

An instant later she added more kindly, "You see, my dear Miss Benton, I have become somewhat insured to this kind of crisis. My husband went through the Spanish-American War; my son, Barry's father, was in France. As for Captain Trent, he has been reported lost more times than I can recall."

ALL that day and the next reports continued to come in—conflicting, confusing, agonizing. It was not until the morning of the third day that the report called with something definite. Linda answered the telephone.

When she suggested summoning Mrs. Trent, the man at the other end of the line broke in hastily: "Wait! You said you were Mrs. Trent's companion, didn't you? Well, why don't you give your own judgment about the best way to tell her?"

When the man had told her what he had to tell, Linda hung up the receiver as carefully as if it had been made of fragile glass. Sooner or later, old Miranda had said, a last time comes to the best of them.

Slowly she made her way upstairs and entered the old woman's room. Then, leaning against the closed door, her face paper white, her nails digging into her palms, she delivered her message parrot-wise, like a stiff-lipped, frightened child reciting a verse:

"The airport called . . . They wanted me to tell you . . . They've found his plane . . . It's on the surf—somewhere on the coast of Central America . . . They said—tell you they—had not given up hope."

"Ah, indeed!" said old Miranda slowly after a moment.

Perhaps she was remembering other scenes in which she, herself, had said to other waiting women, "But they haven't given up hope yet."

For a moment she sat silent, her eyes closed, then she said, "You may tell George I shall not want the car this afternoon . . . And do go out for some fresh air, Miss Benton. You are looking rather pale. I—think I shall go to my room."

LINDA must have walked miles that afternoon, but she was not conscious of being tired—only numb, and somehow apart in a gray, empty, dead world of her own. The dead did not weep. Linda did not.

When she dragged herself home through the little park, the Christmas tree was gayly lighted—all silver and blue. Candles were glowing in the windows, and people were hurrying along with brightly wrapped parcels, laughing and calling out gay greetings to one another.

At the edge of the park she met the little dark man with the powdered, wistful smile who had spoken to her that day when she had passed outside the church to sing with the choir the Christmas carols they were rehearsing. He called, "Merry Christmas, Miss Benton!" And she heard her own voice answering, "Merry Christmas!"

Those few hours alone in her room that afternoon were old Miranda's own concession to the frailty of the flesh. She came down to dinner, a little haggard, but very quiet.

Like radio reports only confirmed the news they had had. The wrecked plane was un-

doubtedly that in which Captain Trent had set out. It had evidently been tossed for hours by heavy seas before washing ashore. Several experienced flyers were quoted as saying that it was impossible that the pilot could have survived such a beating. And there was no apparent possibility of his having been picked up.

Old Miranda heard it all with dry eyes; Linda with that numb passivity that had held her since the airport had called this morning.

Notes of sympathy, even flowers had been pouring in all day, and callers had begun to come. At the first arrival Linda rose and would have left the room, but Mrs. Trent said swiftly, "Please do not go. Miss Benton. I may want you."

So Linda sat down again.

OLD Miranda received her callers with stately calm, answering their questions courteously. But something in her bearing froze on their lips all but the most formal expressions of sympathy.

The Trent women, Linda gathered, did not permit others the liberty of being sorry for them.

Through it all, Linda was conscious of furtive glances cast in her own direction. From her experience on the ice the other day she had gathered that rumors about Barry and herself had traveled swiftly.

So people were sorry for her. Well, if the Trent women did not welcome pity, neither did Geoffrey Benton's daughter. Old Miranda seemed aware of something more than casual in the glances cast at the slim fair girl who sat with such quiet dignity in her tall, high-backed chair.

When one of the women turned and said to Linda, "This news about Captain Trent must be a great shock to you, too, Miss Benton," the old lady's shrewd eyes swept the covertly listening faces about her with attentive curiosity.

And when Linda turned grave, steady young eyes upon her questioner, lifted her head, and answered briefly and quietly in her clear, lovely voice that naturally it must be a great shock to all who knew Captain Trent, Miranda Trent's eyes again traveled over the listening faces, with a look that almost said, "All right! Now what do you make of that?"

At last they all went. Miranda Trent had just picked up her cane and said a little wearily that it was bedtime, when the telephone suddenly shrilled.

(To Be Continued)

WASHINGTON

BY ROBERT BUTCHER
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Despite presidential hints, platform promises, and a great deal of exploration, the administration is as far as ever from a concrete proposal to Congress for legislation to curb monopoly and replace present ineffective anti-trust laws.

This can be said in spite of the fact that the President and Assistant Attorney General Robert H. Jackson, head of the Justice Department's anti-trust section, discussed the issue at length during F. D. R.'s recent fishing trip.

Roosevelt wants a "Roosevelt issue" for the 1938 congressional campaign. The monopoly issue would be a good one. It ties up with the high cost of living and price increases such as at least helped bring on the depression.

If any anti-monopoly program is agreed upon it will almost surely seek to hit monopoly by use of the taxing power. Inter-corporate dividend and graduated corporation taxes might be used.

But it also has been seriously proposed in conferences that a graduated prohibitive tax might be laid upon any corporation which does more than a stipulated percentage of the business in its industry.

GOVERNOR GEORGE D. AIKEN of Vermont, who wants a Republican party house-cleaning, reminds you of Alf Landon of Kansas. At least, several correspondents who traveled with Landon in the last campaign and then interviewed Aiken at his press conference the other day in Senator Gibson's office, found a very strong resemblance.

The two men appear to be about the same age, although Landon is about five years older.

Yet none of Aiken's interviewers saw him as a presidential possibility. He frankly admitted "I don't know as much about the problems of labor as I wish I did"; and "I don't know how far we should go in farm legislation—it's in the experimental stage."

As a farmer, Aiken has specialized in nurseries and trees. News photographers posed him in every conceivable position, but he finally balked when they asked him to "look worried."

"I may look bewildered," said the governor, "but I'm not worried."

COL. CHARLES A. LINDBERGH established a new high for dodging photographers when he attended the Carnegie Institution meeting in Washington. His first move to avoid them was his entrance to the Institution at 7:30 a. m. for a meeting which began at 10.

All day he refused to come out and finally had his dress suit sent in so he wouldn't have to leave the building to prepare for a banquet.

Cameras stood out in bitter cold and cursed. In the evening they built a bonfire to keep warm. Finally at 10:30 Lindbergh dashed out a side door, face completely covered, and the cameramen went back to their offices.

On the other hand, dignified Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, who usually wears newspaper men off with his cane, willingly posed with General Pershing and Admiral Grayson when the Red Cross board of governors met. "Let's make a record of this!" he exclaimed, as he threw his hat and coat on a pile of flash-bulb bags.

SPORT GLANCES - By Grayson

BY HARRY GRAYSON
Sports Editor, NEA Service

NEW YORK.—The biggest mistake in connection with the fight at the Garden the other night wasn't made by Harry Thomas, who was knocked down for the sixth time and stopped with only six seconds of the eighth round remaining.

The Minnesota heavyweight did his utmost to capitalize on a tremendous opportunity, and was paid \$6300.

The gross error of the evening, in the minds of trained boxing men, must be charged to John Roxborough, Julian Black, and of Jack Blackburn, handlers of Joe Louis.

It wasn't difficult for them to guess what was going to happen, and it did Louis no good to actually see Max Schmeling chop down a powerful opponent much as he chopped down the Brown Bomber himself.

Louis admits that he is a bit hazy about what happened to him when he mistook Schmeling for a rank sucker 18 months ago. Badly hurt early in the going, the Negro probably wasn't exactly sure as to just what dropped on his head.

UP until the other night, Louis might have gone along kidding himself that it was all an accident which couldn't possibly happen again. After all, a young fellow with a punch like his should be able to dispose of a plodding bloke who will be crowding 33 when they meet again.

But such a mental analysis of the Schmeling case will not work from now on.

What Louis saw was a perfectly-conditioned Schmeling who after an 18 months' layoff was able to thread a needle with as fine and straight a right hand as you ever saw.

Schmeling seldom missed with it, even while feeling his way throughout the first five rounds. It must have been consoling to Louis when it landed and nothing much transpired.

But I would have liked to have read Louis' thoughts when the Ferocious Frankfurter started to unlimber in the sixth.

It goes without saying that Schmeling's performance against Thomas was highly satisfactory. The Pretzel Pounder looked great for a chap who had been on the sidelines for a year and a half.

It must be remembered, however, that the contest was no barometer of Schmeling's speed. He was a fraction of a second swifter than the slow and swinging Thomas, and appeared speedy in comparison.

But the Black Uhlan will be faster next June. Der Moxie follows the training code carefully between starts. Schmeling may not be the Schmeling of 1926 when he again gets a belt at Louis, but he has demonstrated that he will be far from a hollow shell.

Louis had best be ready—and plenty good.

"OUT OUR WAY" - By Williams



ALLEY OOP - By HAMLIN



Alabama's Choice for Lucky Star

By William Ferguson



Margaret Early above, has a job envied by other Hollywood starlets—she has been selected to serve as Alabama University's "lucky star" (mascot) in "plaid American" for the Rose Bowl football game at Pasadena on New Year's day. Miss Early is 17 and a native of New Orleans.

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS - By Blosser



Dog Unwittingly Is Savior of Mistress

By United Press

FORT WORTH, Tex.—An unwitting, and unwilling savior was Jamar, the six-year-old Boston terrier of Elizabeth Miller—but he saved his mistress from possible death by monoxide poisoning.

Miss Miller left the dog in her car while she visited friends. When she returned, he was limp; but veterinarians revived Jamar and declared he suffered carbon monoxide poisoning. Mechanics found that the car had a dangerous leak in the exhaust.

LET'S KNOW TEXAS AND TEXANS

WILL HARTZ, AUSTIN, TEXAS

In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. Address inquiries to Will H. Hartz, Austin, Texas.

Q. What colonization law was enacted by the State of Coahuila and Texas, who drafted it, and was it passed?

A. The law was drafted by Juan de Bastrop, Texas member of the Legislature. It was passed and authorized by the Federal Congress, March 24, 1825. It provided for an empresario or contract system similar to that formerly in force under the Spanish government, with 23,040 acres allowed empresarios for each 100 families settled, liberal allotments to settlers, and ten years' exemption from taxes, settlements to be made subject to the provisions of the Federal law of August, 1824.

Q. What followed Guerrero's effort to have the East Texas settlers acquire legal titles to the lands they occupied?

A. Francisco Madero, came to Texas as a commissioner to have the lands surveyed and to issue titles, but John D. Bradburn commander of the Mexican military forces in Texas, refused to permit him to issue titles, contending that to do so would be in violation of the law of April 6, 1830. When Madero persisted he and his surveyor were thrown in the military prison at Anahuac. Guerrero was then in prison charged with treachery and was soon to be executed, so Madero was forced to agree not to oppose Bradburn, upon which he was released and the East Texans were still without titles to their lands.

Q. What was the almost immediate effect of annexation and the close of the United States-Mexican war upon Texas settlement and development?

A. The first census, made in 1850, showed annual population, exclusive of Indians, of 212,592. Between 1850 and 1860, the population nearly tripled and the acreage in farm lands increased from 11,398,337 to 25,344,000, of which 2,651,000 acres were improved.

Q. What territory did Texas sell to the United States in 1850 and for what purpose?

A. All the territory outside its present boundaries was sold by Texas to the United States in 1850 for \$10,000,000, with which its debts were paid and \$5,000,000 left in the public treasury. This sale embraced about 65,000 square miles in the present state of New Mexico, 19,000 in Colorado, 4,000 in Wyoming, 7,700 in Kansas, and 5,000 in Oklahoma.

MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse - - By Thompson and Coll



THIS CURIOUS WORLD - By William Ferguson



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Christmas Day Happenings

One of the merriest occasions of the Christmas season was a dinner enjoyed by Mrs. Helen C. Yonker, her children and grandchildren, at Acorn Acres 12 o'clock Christmas day. Two tables with lovely center pieces, had place cards, and favors of tiny Christmas trees and baskets filled with candies.

A four-course dinner was served by Mrs. Catherine Potts, in her usual hospitable manner to Mrs. Yonker, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Yonker and children, Peggy, Sue and Thomas, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Gene Yonker and daughter, Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kirkpatrick and daughters, Mary Helen and Jeanette, and Miss Mary Alice Yonker, all of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yonker of Abilene, Miss Jeanette Yonker of Aransas Pass, Miss Margaret Yonker of Albuquerque, N. M., and Mrs. Sue Hill of Mission, Texas.

A delicious three course dinner was held at the home of Mr. H. L. Baskin paying honor to the birthday of Fred Yonker, Jr., of Abilene. Guests joining in the gaiety of the occasion named, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smith of Fort Worth, Donald Baskin of Gorman, M. L. Baskin, Jr., Mrs. Fred Yonker, Jr., Miss Dora Jane Baskin and host, H. L. Baskin.

A separate dinner party at the Baskin home with Mr. Baskin host, entertained his brothers and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smith, Hugh Baskin, Dennis Baskin and son, Donald, Gorman, M. L. and H. L. Baskin, Miss Dora Jane Baskin and host.

The J. S. McDowell home, Cypress street, was beautifully decorated for the Yuletide and dinner party given Christmas night for guests Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Tunnell and daughter Gwendolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Tunnell and children of Abilene, Mrs. J. S. Tunnell, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Latham, Miss Cecelia McDowell, Mrs. Alice Davenport, Mrs. Christine Ware, Arritta Davenport and hosts Mr. and Mrs. McDowell.

Christmas night was celebrated in a merry fashion when Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Suits, of the Paramount hotel, entertained with a party paying compliment to employees, Ranger guests and many from out-of-town.

End of the Month Bargains

In order that everyone may be benefitted by last of the year bargains, J. C. Penney under the arrangement of Manager Dave Cooper has planned an end of the month Penney event. Articles from all departments may be yours at prices you cannot afford to overlook.

NOTE BOOK

Miss Florence Wagner and sister Patty Wagner, are in Ranger for the holidays acting as hostesses.

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es at Sky-Line during the absence of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Wagner who are making their home in Austin. The Wagners have the "Towers" club at Austin, one of the fashionable night spots. The Misses Wagner will join their mother and father shortly after the first of the year.

Misses Virginia and Doris Beach, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Beach, 345 Pine street, left today for Poplar Bluff, Mo., where they will visit relatives until January 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Tunnell and son and daughter accompanied by Mrs. J. S. Tunnell of Abilene, spent Christmas day with Mrs. Tunnell's daughter, Mrs. J. S. McDowell.

Harold J. Johnson of New York City is in Ranger for a week's business visit.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Garner, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Garner and son, Gene, were Christmas day dinner guests of their grandmother whose home is in Haskell.

Mrs. Henry Pratt has returned to her El Paso home after a visit here. Mrs. Pratt is the daughter of Mrs. Ed Lane, who succumbed at a local hospital the twenty-first of this month after a long illness. While here Mrs. Pratt visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rawls.

Mrs. V. Wright is visiting her daughter at Artesia, N. M., where her visit will extend throughout the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Latham will return home today after a visit with his parents at Bowie.

Roscoe Hopper, of Fort Worth was a week-end visitor in Ranger. Mr. Hopper was among dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Strong, North Marston street, Christmas night.

Miss Wanda Banks returned to her home in Sagerton, Texas, Sunday after a Christmas visit with friends of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Trammell of Midland were the Christmas night guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Suits, Paramount hotel.

Misses Mamey and Mona Robinson spent Christmas with their parents at Carbon.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles T. Tally, Jr., and son, visited Christmas at the home of Rev. Tally's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Tally, Sr., at Lufkin. Mrs. Tally remains for a week's visit.

Judge and Mrs. J. N. McFatter entertained as guests for the holidays their sons, A. D. McFatter and family of Archer City, Charles McFatter and family, Rotan and daughter Mrs. Helen Julius and daughter Martha Belle of Dallas.

Mrs. Inetta Smith had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Roll and daughter, Pauline, of Archer City.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pitcock of Eastland, joined by Mr. and Mrs. Jerrard Sheppard, parents of Mrs. Pitcock, and Mr. and Mrs. George McKannan, Mrs. E. L. Elier and daughter Jane and son Eddie Elier of Fort Worth, were week-end guests of Mrs. W. T. Pitcock, who is making a nice recovery from an illness since Thanksgiving. The latter guest, Eddie Elier, arrived Sunday and is extending his visit through today.

Mrs. S. B. Baker left today noon for Honey Grove for a week's visit in the home of her sister, Mrs. Annie Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Baker and son of Dallas were Christmas day guests of Mrs. Baker and daughter, Mrs. J. J. Kelly and family.

Rev. and Mrs. G. Alfred Brown and young son had as Christmas guests, Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Johnson and son, Leonard, of Abilene and Mr. and



Mrs. E. G. Johnson Jr., also of the same city. Leonard Johnson, who rendered a beautiful vocal solo at the 11 o'clock service is a student at McMurray College.

The father of Mrs. H. A. Tunnell who received treatment at a local hospital last week has been removed to his home in Cisco.

Mrs. F. P. Braslier and son, F. P. Jr., left today for Braun, where they are to be the guests of her father. The ranch home proves unusually inviting at this season and the son plans to remain for hunting and other activities returning home the latter part of the week.

Mr. F. C. Overhauser and son, of Hobbs, N. M., are business visitors in Ranger over the holiday. F. O. says things around Hobbs are going and that he and the family are getting along fine.

Mr. J. J. Carter of Odessa is visiting Mrs. Carter and Lillian.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Franklin and two children, Pete and Barbara of University of Colorado are visiting in the home of Mrs. Franklin's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Price. Mrs. Franklin, mother of Walter is accompanying the family on the trip to Dallas, where they will witness the Dallas and U. of C. play Rice, on New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. George Manning of Overton were Ranger visitors today on route home after a visit with her parents of Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crossley and daughter paid a visit to Ranger friends this morning. The Crossleys have been Christmas guests at the home of his parents of Eastland.

Mrs. V. V. Cooper, Sr., who is reported to be improved from a serious illness had with her Christmas her children, Mrs. Annie Laura Jensen of Abilene, O. R. Cooper and family of Tyler, Charlie Cooper, Tyler, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cooper, Breckenridge.

Dr. A. K. Wier is visiting his son, Dr. D. T. Wier and family of Delen, N. M.

Colfins Gilbreath of Midland, formerly of Ranger, is in Ranger for a visit.

Try Our Want-Ads!

House Coats Are Proving Popular at Montgomery Ward's



One of the most interesting developments in the ever-changing fashion picture has been the phenomenal success of the house coat. The first ones caused practically a revolution. They adapted the long flowing lines of the negligee but interpreted them in every fabric imaginable from lame to heavy flannel. They put the shorter, ungraceful wrapper very much in the background. More recently the trend has been towards the crisp housecoat. Moires represent the silk and rayon family but cotton is the real king. It's easier to keep cotton fresh and crisp. Of all the housecoats none is more popular than the slide fastened type. They go on in a jiffy and serve the varying needs of every woman in a flattering garment that is easy to put on, easy to wear, and exceptionally attractive. Whether the cotton is designed in a stripe, a print, a Persian pattern, or a floral the fast colored "zippered" house coat is the favorite. House coats are featured in Montgomery Ward's annual Cotton Dress Sale this week. They have been included in this sale for the first time by popular demand of styles-conscious but practical minded customers.

The traffic safety "spy" system has been abandoned in Belleville, N. J., evidently on the theory that most drivers don't recognize the password anyway.

Weirton Case to Call For "Brief" of Six Million Words

STUEBENVILLE, O.—The National Labor Relations Board's hearing on anti-union charges against the Weirton Steel Co., already has produced 3,000,000

Deer Goes A-Gunning



Santa Claus wondered about the big demand for pop guns in Barnegat, N. J., but he understood as soon as he saw Barnegat's pet, the deer playmate of the town's children. Pete fled from the woods during a forest fire, and was given a checkered coat and big identification disk to warn hunters. Here Pete nuzzles in on Eno's deal for a gun to use as bodyguard for the pet.

words—equivalent to 40 novels—and the case is not half finished. Starting Aug. 16, the hearing has been in session almost continuously either here or at New Cumberland, W. Va. The board still is presenting its case, and when that is concluded Weirton Steel will present its evidence. This is expected to consume as much time as taken by the board's presentation.

Of the 279 former Weirton employees who charge they lost their jobs because of their activities with the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, only 120 thus far have testified. Board attorneys have expressed the opinion that all claimants who charge they lost their jobs through union activities will have to testify before they are eligible for reinstatement in event of a ruling in favor of the SWOC, which brought the anti-union charges against Weirton.

Thus far, 225 witnesses have testified, 37 of them non-employees of Weirton Steel. Recently the board summoned as witnesses a number of officers of the Weirton Employees Representation Plan and the Weirton Employees Security League, which the SWOC charges

are company-dominated, independent unions of Weirton employees. The hearings, the longest in the history of the NLRB, have produced a record already 12,751 pages in length, which has cost the Weirton Steel Company an average of \$415 a day. The record costs the steel company \$2.15 a page, the NLRB 12 cents a page. This is due to the reporting firm's low bid to obtain the contract with the board, thus increasing the page rates to the company. Two reporters, two dictaphone operators and a clerk are employed in compiling the record transcript.

The cost of the record is estimated at \$30,000. But in addition, Trial Examiner E. G. Smith is paid a \$35 daily fee, the labor board employs four attorneys, the steel company four, and the two independent unions acting as intervenors are employing two lawyers.

Weirton Steel employs about 12,000 men at its Stuebenville and Weirton, W. Va., plants.

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Young Mother Will take College Course Child Psychology

By United Press
HOUSTON, Tex.—Married 15, a mother at 17 and now a sophomore in high school and happy, that is the story of Houston's child bride, Mrs. Jesse Tice Smith.

The pretty school girl-mother, who manages a home, takes care of a nine-month-old baby and makes good grades in school, is determined to get an education.

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