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The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse are riding again to the troubles of the book-market.

Mantions smuggled out of Pisa, Czechoslovakia, are sometimes labeled as food and beverages. Skoda pop?

UNITED PRESS SERVICE BRINGS LATE NEWS OF THE WORLD TO TIMES READERS

PROCEEDINGS 11TH COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

The following proceedings were had Friday in the court of civil appeals, eleventh supreme judicial district.

Affirmed: Isaac Reeds vs. J. H. Scott vs. et al. Tuck, Midas O'Connell vs. G. W. Whitaker, et al. Green.

Motions submitted: H. W. Womack vs. Mrs. Addie Sharpe, et al, appellee's motion for rehearing; E. M. Pynes vs. W. D. Dodd, et al, plaintiff-in-error's second motion for rehearing; National Home Company, et al. vs. Meia Motley, appellee's motion for rehearing.

Motions Overruled: C. M. Pynes vs. W. D. Dodd, et al, plaintiff-in-error's second motion for rehearing; P. L. Hoffmann vs. The Continental Supply Co., appellee's second motion for rehearing.

Cases Submitted Dec. 23, 1938: S. Caprilo vs. Grisham-Junter Corp., et al; Stephens; Dallas Joint Stock Land Bank of Dallas vs. T. E. Celebt, Jones; Texas Employers Ins. Assn., vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., et al; Howard; Republic Underwriters vs. Mrs. Ethel Terrell, et al, Taylor.

Cases to be submitted Jan. 6, 1939: A. M. Ferguson vs. Haskell National Bank, et al, Taylor; A. B. Lakey vs. R. O. McCarroll, Jones; B. L. Daniels vs. E. M. Howard, et al, Eastland; Harry R. Bondies, et ux, vs. Land Title Bank & Trust Co., Trustee, et al, Nolan.

HARRY HOPKINS NAMED TO FILL CABINET POST

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt today named Works Progress Administrator Harry Hopkins to be secretary of commerce, in a move interpreted in some quarters as a boost for the relief spender toward the 1940 New Deal Democratic presidential nomination.

At the same time Mr. Roosevelt designated Col. F. C. Harrington to be acting Works Progress Administrator and named Aubrey Williams deputy WPA administrator to head the National Youth Administration.

Mr. Roosevelt's orders promoting Hopkins and shifting Williams were part of the relief spending control the two men most severely criticized for permitting alleged political activity in the WPA during the 1938 elections.

Harrington, a regular army officer who has been serving as chief WPA engineer, was "designated" rather than nominated as the new relief chief. The appointment will not require Senate confirmation.

The test of Mr. Roosevelt's strategy will come after Congress convenes Jan. 3. Hopkins will have to be confirmed by the Senate. The evidence that his elevation was carried out with the consent of Vice President Garner and other Democratic conservatives was judged to mean that the President's choice will be approved.

The next cabinet vacancy will be in the Justice Department, from which Attorney General Cummings will retire next month. A dozen factors bore on Hopkins' promotion, not the least of which was Mr. Roosevelt's great personal admiration for him. He succeeds Daniel Roper, who retired to enter private business.

Roosevelt Sends Season's Greetings To All Boy Scouts

In sending them his Christmas greetings, President Roosevelt, Honorary President of the Boy Scouts of America, in which he has been active for 17 years, called upon the 1,221,338 Boy Scouts, Cubs and leaders of the nation "to do a good deed for some other person, especially for someone who is less fortunate than ourselves."

The President's message was received today by Scout Executive G. N. Quirl of the Comanche Trail Council, from Dr. James E. West, Chief Scout Executive and editor of "Boys' Life."

The message follows: "The White House, Washington

"To the Boy Scouts of America: "As a member of the Boy Scouts of America, I am happy to extend to fellow members, my sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

"This is a time in which it seems particularly appropriate for all of us to do a good deed for some other person, especially for someone who is less fortunate than ourselves. To all Boy Scouts who are steadfast in the principles emphasized by their organization I look for future leadership in community and national life. May the year 1939 be a happy adventure for you in the service of others.

(Signed) "FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT"

RAIL SYSTEM SURVEY GOES TO PRESIDENT

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt's special rail-road committee today submitted to him recommendations designed to rehabilitate the nation's \$26,000,000,000 rail system.

The advisors, including both rail management and labor heads, declared the first step in rebuilding is "adoption of a definite national transportation system based on equalizations which will provide a fair field for all and special favors for none of the various types of transportation."

Recommendations included: Adoption of a national transportation policy providing uniform regulation for all competing forms of transport.

Centralization within the Interstate Commerce Commission of general rate making and supervisory powers over all transport.

Applying ICC rate making rules to all transport.

Repeat of the so-called "long and short haul" clause of the ICC.

Provide the ICC with power over intrastate rates as well as interstate rates.

Establishment of a board to conduct a general investigation of the nation's transport structures.

Tragedies Begin To Take Holiday Toll Over State

By United Press

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—One death and a score of injured were counted today as the traffic toll of a highway accident in which holiday travelers were victims near Kyle yesterday afternoon.

J. W. Gray, of Dallas, died at a hospital. Ernest Bormann, 64, of Austin, who took some of the injured to hospitals at San Marcos, was struck by an automobile after reaching Austin and died last night.

Mrs. W. H. Bennet and Henry Bennet, both of Lamesa, were most seriously injured of a group of 15 taken to San Marcos. The injuries were caused by a series of accidents.

ATTITUDE OF U. S. TO NAZIS TO STAY FIRM

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A high administration official indicated today that the United States would maintain its strong attitude toward the German government even though events might lead to a severance of diplomatic relations.

The State Department's rebuke to Germany was not calculated to cause a diplomatic breach, but friendly relations were more strained than at any time since the World War.

THIRD ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE IS END FOR YOUTH

By United Press

HOUSTON, Dec. 23.—A 17-year-old boy, who twice had threatened to leap from high buildings into Christmas shopping crowds, hanged himself today in his jail cell where he was held for safe keeping.

The youth was identified as George Washington Gibson, of Santa Monica, Calif. He hanged himself with a belt taken from a drunken stupor.

He first created a disturbance at noon yesterday when he climbed into a window on the 10th floor and threatened to jump. Several persons in the building argued him out of the act. Two hours later he appeared at the ninth floor of another building, but policemen dragged him to safety.

Capt. George Peyton, of the police department, failed to learn the reason for the boy's action. He ordered the youth held when he threatened again to kill himself. Among papers found on the body was a summons ordering him to appear at a sanity hearing in Los Angeles.

HUMBLE GROUP OF CISCO TO GO TO MIDLAND

MIDLAND, Dec. 23.—Consolidation of the Cisco and McCamey division offices of the Humble Pipe Line company, with removal to Midland, was announced here Tuesday after a conference between officials of the company with city officials and chamber of commerce executives, the consolidation and move to become effective on or about January 1.

The Midland offices will handle business of the company for West Texas, New Mexico and the Texas Panhandle. Fifteen families will move to Midland, also five or six additional unmarried members of the staff. Eleven company houses will be moved from McCamey and two from Big Spring, the company also bringing its staff here to Midland. Several new homes will be erected by representatives of the company, it was announced.

Included in the personnel moving to Midland will be J. W. Thomas, Cisco civic leader, who is division superintendent; G. A. Lee of McCamey, assistant division superintendent, who for eleven years has been active in civic, educational and community affairs at McCamey; E. T. Corbett, chief gauger, division engineer and his entire field and office force, from McCamey; B. R. Foreman, division chief clerk, from Cisco; F. B. Witt, from Cisco, in charge of dispatching, telephone and telegraph with entire dispatching and telegraph staff from McCamey; W. C. McCarroll, from Cisco, division preparation manager; P. D. Phillips, Jr., from McCamey, division mechanical engineer and several stenographers and clerks. Joe Haygood, for several years a resident here, will remain under the department as pipe line scout and oil collector.

Others of the various departments who will move here include B. L. Smith, Harold Blair, Adolph Montgomery, J. A. Dana, Cheever, Sparkman, B. D. Doss, J. W. Christian, O. L. Crook, W. L. Bowles, Billy Gilbert, Charles Hammett and Miss Barbara McCollum.

The Humble Oil and Refining company already has at Midland its division offices for production, land and lease, geological, civil engineering and petroleum engineering departments. Including more than one floor of the 12-story Petroleum Building already occupied, the pipe line division's staff will bring the total office space of the Humble company to more than two floors.

Civic leaders here today said the move of the pipe line division, which has been under consideration for some time, is one of the outstanding events in the year's activity for Midland.

8-Year-Old Quads Look to Santa For Bugles Christmas

By United Press

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 23.—At 7:30 o'clock Christmas morning — Santa Claus will bring to the household of Lansing's quadruplets will wake to the sound of four bugles and a merry-go-round.

Last year it was tricycles, but this year the four daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Morlock need music for their grade school military dance and a merry-go-round for their dolls.

"We have taught them to believe that we go to the stores and pick out presents for Santa Claus to deliver," Mrs. Morlock explained.

The 8-year-old quads, all with blond curly hair, this year selected Edna A. as their scribe in a letter to Santa Claus after a visit with him in a local store. The letter follows:

"Dear Santa Claus: I want to tell you we had lots of fun while in your toyland and promised to write you a letter.

"You know us, the Morlock quads. Please bring us bugles for we need them in our military dance, four of them.

"We would like some dancing dolls and a merry-go-round.

"Santa, you said we would get surprises if we were good girls. We are trying to be good, and we will like anything you bring us.

"Hope you will remember there are four of us, and we all like you.

"Santa, you have so many letters to read, so we will send you only one letter with all our names, and you can multiply by four.

"Hope we may see you again, Santa, with cheer and best wishes from us four little sisters.

"Edna Morlock.
"Sarah Morlock.
"Wilma Morlock.
"Helen Morlock."

Eastland Man Is Winner of State Heavyweight Title

Truett Fulcher of Eastland won the heavyweight crown of Texas in the Diamond Belt boxing tournament this week at San Antonio.

Fulcher battered his way to the crown by beating Monte Earwood of Uvalde to the canvas in the third round for a technical knockout.

Fulcher in recent months has been supervisor of a recreation project for the WPA at Colorado.

BEAVERS ACCEPT HOME AID

By United Press

TOLEDO, Ohio.—Keepers built for beavers at the Toledo Zoo a stone hut, with a 10-inch tile drain for an entrance, after the beavers unsuccessfully had tried to build their own house over the drain of their pool.

THE WEATHER

By United Press

West Texas: Fair, colder south-east portion tonight. Saturday fair.

Claims a Record

In today's issue will be found hundreds of Santa Claus letters from children in all parts of Eastland and adjoining counties as well as Ranger and Eastland.

Carl C. Garner, operator, printer, editor, devil, who has been with the paper for the past 10 years, stated today that he had set every Santa Claus letter that had been printed in the paper during the past five years and that he still believes in Santa Claus.

Garner says he believes he has established some sort of record in having set more Santa Claus letters than any operator in America today.

Child Welfare Club Has Christmas Tree For Nursery School

Fifty-two children were made happy Tuesday afternoon at the W. P. A. Nursery School when Santa Claus appeared to distribute gifts from their lovely Christmas tree.

Each child received a wool cap; each girl a doll, and each boy a truck or horn from the Child Welfare Club. Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. George Fenger of the O. K. Grocery and Market, each child was presented with a Christmas stocking filled with candy, oranges, apples and tangerines.

Previous to the appearance of Santa Claus a program was presented by the children of the school to the large number of parents and friends. The program consisted of the following numbers:

Song, "Beautiful Texas," Nursery School, Reading, George James Song, "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," group. Drill, "Christmas," nine children. Reading, Roberta James, Song, "Santa Claus," Nursery School. Song, "Where Has My Little Dog Gone," Wayne Hurst, Song, "Home on the Range," Max Lyon, Song, "Away In a Manger," Barbara Healer, Reading, "A Welcome to Santa," Wanda Gibbs.

Benefit Show Gets Food for the Needy

A number of baskets of canned goods were obtained today from a benefit show, staged at the Arcadia Theatre through the courtesy of B. E. Garner, manager, and all theatre employees.

One can of food was the price of admission for the show, and a large number attended in spite of cold and rainy weather, which cut attendance somewhat.

The groceries received through the show were taken to the fire station, where they will be included in boxes presented to needy families on Christmas Eve.

Insurgents Open Christmas Drive Upon Loyalists

By United Press

HENDAYE, Spain, Dec. 23.—The Spanish insurgent armies of Generalissimo Franco opened a "Christmas offensive" today in an effort to smash the loyalist defenses in Catalonia.

The main drive centered in the Lerida sector. Franco personally was at the front, disproving reports he was seriously ill.

The insurgent armies struck at four immediate objectives, according to advices reaching the frontier. The ultimate objective seemed to be crushing loyalist armies on the Catalonia front and capture of Barcelona.

A food and fuel shortage in loyalist Spain appeared to be as serious a threat to the government as was the Franco military offensive.

AGED Farmer Kills Man for Chopping A Christmas Tree

By United Press

GRAFFON, Ohio, Dec. 23.—A white-bearded 84-year-old farmer shot and killed an unemployed farmer and a 19th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry regiment during the Civil War.

When he walked to a neighbor's house to "warm up" while authorities hunted for him.

Victims of his shotgun were William Rousseau, 37, and his wife, Mae. Authorities held the farmer, Will Case, in the county jail.

Case owns a small nursery and lives alone. He told friends the night before that 75 trees had been stolen from his place.

Abilene and Breck Men Visit Court

Visitors from Breckenridge and Abilene were at the 11th court of civil appeals in Eastland Friday for submission of cases.

The visitors were Edwin Yates and J. C. Hunter of Abilene and L. D. Hawkins and Jim Harrell of Breckenridge.

Running at Bull Run Credited for Old Age

READING, Pa.—"Hollerin' Johnny" Wells, who recently celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary, gives credit for his longevity to the fact that he "ran like hell at the second battle of Bull Run."

"That," he said, "is why I am here today."

Wells acquired the nickname "Hollerin' Johnny" in tribute to his leather lungs while fighting with the 192nd and 196th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry regiments during the Civil War.

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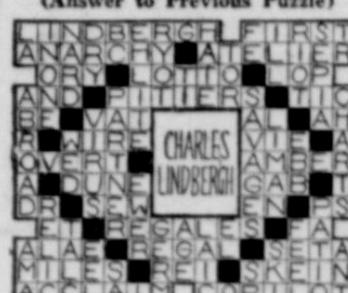
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publisher.

JAPANESE ROYALTY

HORIZONTAL

- 1 The wife of the Japanese emperor.
- 12 Melody.
- 13 Native.
- 14 Flat round plate.
- 16 To slay.
- 17 Public storehouse.
- 18 Too.
- 19 Island.
- 20 Rhythm.
- 21 Wild cherry.
- 22 Bashful.
- 24 Part of foot.
- 25 Wrathful.
- 29 Scandinavian legend.
- 32 Light brown.
- 33 Duet.
- 34 Moccasin.
- 35 To deem.
- 37 Clan group.
- 38 Fury.
- 40 Frayers.
- 46 Sloping way.



VERTICAL

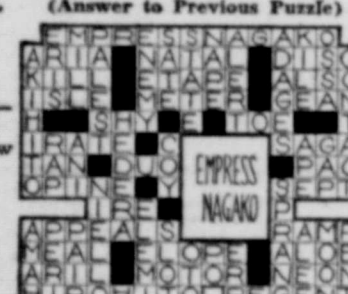
- 1 Goddess of discord.
- 2 Flour factory.
- 3 Most pallid.
- 4 Foe.
- 5 To surfait.
- 6 To mention.
- 7 Buck of neck.
- 8 Vigilant.
- 9 Proverbs.
- 10 Measure.
- 11 Bones.
- 12 Her eldest son, Crown Prince.
- 15 She has little with the Japanese people.
- 23 English ivy.
- 26 Knock.
- 27 Cuckoo.
- 28 Demure.
- 30 Monkey.
- 31 Aperture.
- 36 Metallic alloy.
- 37 Recoiled.
- 39 Omelette.
- 40 Indian nurse.
- 41 Owl.
- 42 Couple.
- 43 Coin slit.
- 45 On the lee.
- 46 Lunar orb.
- 47 Confined.
- 50 Indian.
- 51 Italian river.
- 52 To make a mistake.



ANCIENT PHILOSOPHER

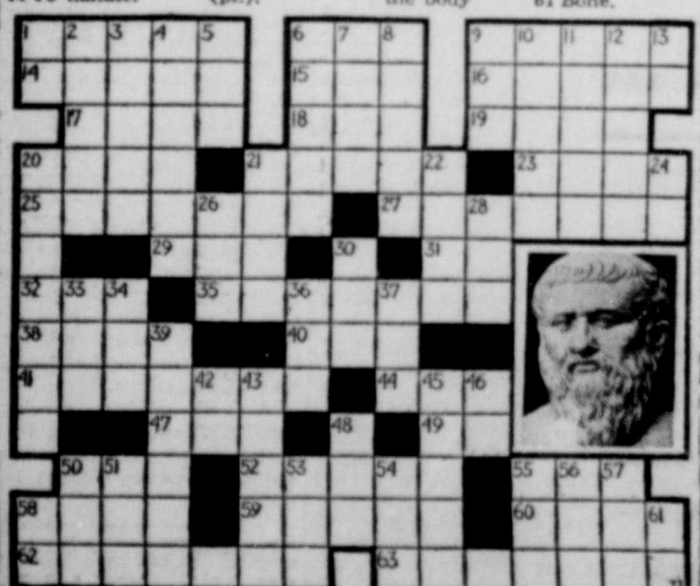
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Greatest thinker of all time.
- 6 To implore.
- 9 He was a philosopher.
- 14 To man anew.
- 15 To sin.
- 16 Demigod-ness of fate.
- 17 Competent.
- 18 Inlet.
- 19 One.
- 20 One for whose use a thing is done.
- 21 Harness strap.
- 23 One who leas.
- 25 Triad.
- 27 To catch in a snare.
- 29 To bind.
- 31 Toward.
- 32 Cavity.
- 35 Envoys.
- 38 Cow-headed goddess.
- 40 Since.
- 41 Units of electrical current.
- 44 To handle.



VERTICAL

- 1 Fair.
- 2 Rental contract.
- 3 Yellow resin.
- 4 Artistic aptitude.
- 5 Single thing.
- 6 Strawberry.
- 8 Silkworm.
- 9 Antelope.
- 10 An outlaw.
- 11 Evergreen shrub.
- 12 To come in.
- 13 Genius of the body.
- 20 He outlined a state.
- 21 Oak.
- 22 Grafted.
- 24 Musical note.
- 26 To be sick.
- 28 Call for help.
- 30 To tire.
- 33 Distinctive theory.
- 34 Point.
- 36 Aeriform fuel.
- 37 Peak.
- 39 Pertaining to sepsis.
- 42 Sun god.
- 43 To ignore.
- 45 Opposed to.
- 46 Year.
- 48 To peruse.
- 50 Driving command.
- 51 Constellation.
- 53 Heart.
- 54 Modern.
- 55 Folding bed.
- 56 Beer.
- 57 Russian village.
- 58 Point.
- 61 Bone.



Carbon Singing Is Postponed Tonight

D. L. Adair, secretary-treasurer of the Carbon Singing Convention, announced today that a program will not be held tonight because many who usually attend will be out of the county.

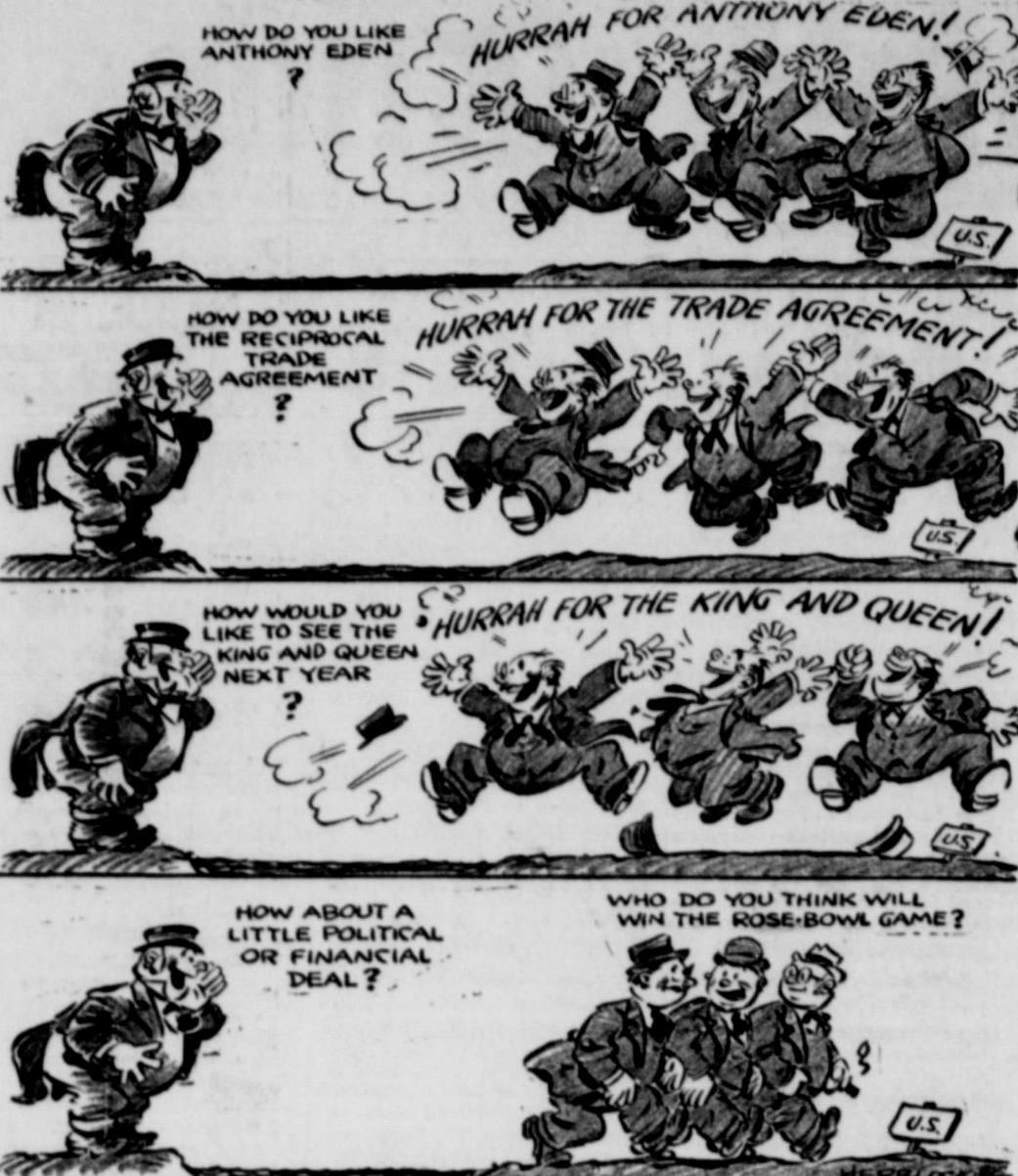
Next meeting, however, will be Friday, Dec. 30.

LEGAL NOTICE

Stockholders Meeting To all Stockholders of the Commercial State Bank, Ranger, Texas: The usual annual meeting of stockholders of the Commercial State Bank will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 1939, at 3 o'clock p. m., in the banking house at Ranger, Texas, at which you are entitled to be present, in person or by proxy, upon all matters that may properly come before the meeting.

HALL WALKER, Vice President.

America and England



Pictured above are four of the members of Brunk's Comedians who will appear in Ranger for one week starting Monday, December 26, sponsored by the local Boy Scout Troop for their Scout cabin fund.

Four of Brunk's Comedians



The big heated tent will be located in downtown Ranger. The doors will open one hour earlier.

Making their 21st annual tour through the southwest this well-known tented organization will present plays, vaudeville and music here.

The opening play, said to be as thrilling as today's headlines and as modern as the styles of Hollywood, is entitled, "Come on Mary." Not many years ago a successful Broadway production, this play is filled with good comedy for both old and young.

According to Mr. Brunk the big tent theatre, which will be located in Ranger, will be well heated with underground furnaces.

The price of the admission this year seems to be the main feature of the show. No extra charge is to be made for reserve seats and adults are charged the same as children to see the show. The one price to all is 10 cents per person and for any chair or seat in the big tent.

The show will start nightly at 7:45 and the doors will open one hour earlier.

Miss Lillian Strain is visiting her brother in Fort Worth during the holidays.

L. E. Gray returned from Austin Thursday evening, accompanied by his son, L. E. Gray Jr., D. A. Robinson and Bill Bourdeau.

K. E. Ambrose accompanied by R. D. Dawn went to Austin Thursday morning and brought back his son, Jack, Miss Barbara, Ann Arnold of Eastland and Miss Mavis Murray, who will spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Beatrice Wickens left Thursday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Strawn.

Miss Ruth Ritchey is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents in Palestine.

Mrs. Anne Anderson left Thursday for Fort Arthur where she will visit her son, Bailey, during the holidays.

Miss Lolita Connelly is spending the holidays with her parents, in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. J. C. Kelly and son, Mr. Conley Kelly of Pharr, Texas, will arrive tomorrow to spend Christmas in the home of her sister, Mrs. Saunders Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Hatley and children left Friday morning to spend Christmas in Tyler.

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Just a Bit Personal...

Saunders Gregg came home today to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Saunders Gregg. Mr. Hiram Grantham, a friend of Saunders, from Houston, Texas, will arrive Saturday and be their house guest, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Cooper of Memphis, Tenn., arrived today to spend the Christmas holidays with his uncle, Mr. V. V. Cooper Sr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bray of Big Spring, arrived today to visit her sister, Mrs. O. G. Lanier and family.

Mrs. J. F. Layton of Phoenix, Arizona, came last Thursday to visit her son, Rev. W. W. Layton and family through the holidays. Mrs. Layton's brother, Mr. Chas. Shipman of Pensacola, Florida, arrived Thursday night. He is a cadet in the naval force at Pensacola.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hartnett and Mrs. Ruby Lee Roberts will leave Saturday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Butler of Weatherford, parents of Mrs. Hartnett and Mrs. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Brashier and son, F. P., Jr., will leave Sunday at noon to visit her brother and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Percifall, and her father, Mr. A. J. Percifall of Christobal, Texas. They will return to Ranger Monday evening.

Col. and Mrs. Brashier had a message from Mrs. E. H. Mills, Thursday, stating her daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson, whom she is visiting in San Francisco, Calif., are the proud parents of a boy, born yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Durham and son, Norman, who formerly lived in Ranger, but who now make their home in Eastland will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Durham in Sterling City.

Mrs. F. P. Brashier and Mrs. J. C. Brimberry spent Wednesday in Abilene.

D. L. Jameson returned from Breckenridge Wednesday after accompanying his son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jameson, to Dallas, where Aubrey underwent a physical examination at the Methodist hospital by Dr. Nash, who stated in time he would regain the use of his limbs.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Dooley son, will spend Christmas at Mineral Wells with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Stokely.

Miss Anita Crawley, teacher at the Desdemona public school, will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Crawley.

Miss Annette Westmoreland left Thursday for Marshall to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dare Westmoreland.

Miss Catherine Young left Thursday for Marathon, Texas, where she will visit her parents through the holidays.

Arie Sharpe, student of Allen Military Academy at Bryan, Texas, will arrive home Saturday afternoon to spend the holiday with his mother, Mrs. A. Sharp.

Miss Nell Sheppard will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sheppard, in Ballinger, Texas.

Miss Izetta Woods is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, near Gordon.

Billy Bob Boon is resting satisfactorily since the operation of his knee Thursday morning, when the doctors pronounced very successful.

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SERIAL STORY

SKI'S THE LIMIT

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CAST OF CHARACTERS
SALLY BLAIR—heroine. She has everything that popularity could wish for, except that she is a girl. DAN REYNOLDS—hero. He is a boy who has had Sally but while he was king on skis. COREY FORSTER was king of the social whirl, so... But go on with the story.

Yesterday Dan comes to Sally's party and Sally sees how of winning him back. As they talk, Corey steps up and tells Sally that the next dance is his on a dare.

CHAPTER XII

SALLY was furious with Corey for coming out to interrupt her talk with Dan just then. She knew he had done it purposely. She was furious with him for referring to the dare before Dan.

But it did not seem to bother Dan. When Sally said quickly, "Oh, but I just asked Dan to be my partner!" Dan smiled and said, "That's all right, Corey. Sally can be your partner—especially if she owes it to you in payment for some dare. I was just telling her that I feel I must leave. I only came for a little while tonight. I'm going to call a cab."

Sally was so disappointed she could have cried. "You're not going to do anything of the sort!" she said. "Please don't go, Dan." Her birthday party would indeed have proved a failure if Dan did that.

"I really must," Dan returned quietly. His gray eyes smiled into hers. Perhaps he meant that he knew he did not belong in her world yet. But perhaps that smile meant that in time he might. For he added in his same grave manner that somehow said more than the words themselves, "You are forgetting a lot of things, Sally. As Corey told you, you're forgetting now that we are friends. I'm going to come soon again."

"In that case," Sally returned, as gravely as he, "I'll let you go, if you really feel you must." Long after he had gone she remembered what he had said—"now that we are friends." She knew that Dan did not give friendship lightly. She knew he would not have said that unless he really had meant it. She had said, too, that he would see her soon again.

She hugging these thoughts to her heart, Sally could afford to be Corey's partner for the grand march, during the birthday dinner. She could well be gay and light-hearted, bubbling over with fun and laughter.

It was Corey now who wore his stubborn look. Sally was paying up her debt—she had her for his partner—but somehow Corey knew that he had not come off victor, after all.

Could it possibly be that Sally really imagined herself interested in Reynolds just because she felt sorry for him? Hadn't she realized that Dan did not fit in? Hadn't she seen how different he was from all her friends?

Had Corey only realized that very difference was what drew Sally to Dan? It was far more than just pity or remorse. It was something that lay within this odd boy himself, his fine courage, his high principles, his simple honesty.

Sally was to hear her father praise Dan for such those same qualities a few days after her birthday party.

"This young Reynolds is getting along very well," Sam Blair informed his daughter, during their twilight stroll. "I talked with Frank Devons today and he said the lad certainly is a worker. Steady, conscientious, ambitious. He is bound to make good. Just to show you the sort of stuff the lad has, Devons says that Dan walks back and forth to work every day—and it's a hike of several good miles, too—but that's only the beginning. It seems that instead of taking the elevator Reynolds climbs those seven flights of steps, day after day."

"Whatever makes him do that?" Sally asked. "If only her father knew how his words of praise warmed her heart, how proud they made her of Dan."

"It seems," Mr. Blair explained, "that Doctor Hartford told the boy it was entirely up to him whether his leg ever got as good as it was again. Hartford told the lad he would lose that limp in time if he made up his mind to it. And it also seems," Sam Blair chuckled, "that the boy is bound to prove the great surgeon's words. He's out to get the best of that—and, unless I miss my guess, the lad will do it!"

THAT was the best thing Sally had heard in all her life. The same day Dan's leg might be the same as it had been, that he might walk as he had before. That would mean that one day Dan might see again, too! This thought was so tremendous, so wonderful that Sally was almost afraid to allow herself to think about it. Though maybe if she believed it hard enough, maybe if she borrowed some of Dan's high courage and faith, this prayer would be answered.

"By the way," her father added, as they went indoors, "I asked

Devons to send young Reynolds out tomorrow night with some papers for me. I thought when the lad came you might want to be here." There was a twinkle in her father's fond look at this. A twinkle that deepened as he saw the lovely color flooding Sally's face, the tell-tale delight that brightened her dark eyes.

"Sometimes," Sally said, "I think you're the best Dad that ever lived." She stood on tiptoe to give him a fierce squeeze, a warm caress. "I shouldn't tell you that, though," she added, dimpling. "You know I've been spoiling you dreadfully lately."

She fluffed up the pillow in his big chair, pulled up a stool, sat down to unlace his heavy shoes, to hand him his slippers, now that their walk was finished. This was a little loving service she performed each evening.

"Turn about is fair enough," her father declared. How he enjoyed being spoiled! And he used to think this daughter of his was wrapped up only in her own young frivolous thoughts and plans. They had got very close these past few months, from the time Sally had insisted she was not going back to school, that she wanted to remain at home with him. From the time of her skiing accident, as a matter of record. Had that made the change in Sally? That—and this new boy, Dan Reynolds?

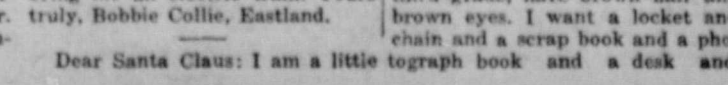
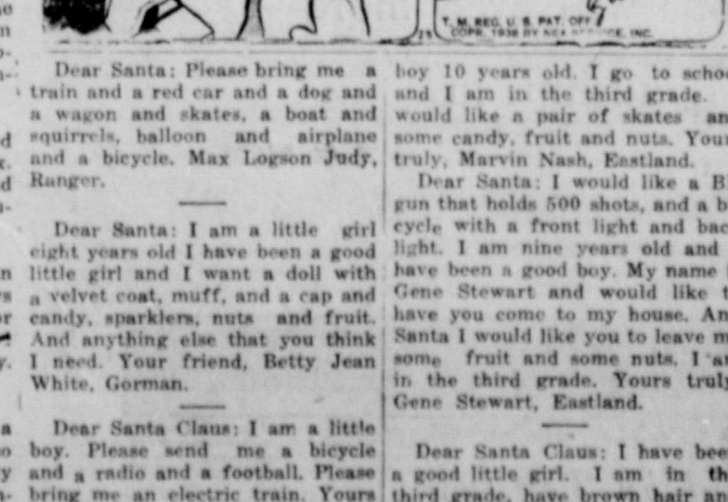
TOMORROW night Dan was coming out again. Already Sally's pretty head began to spin with ideas. She would ask Dan to stay for dinner. She would insist upon it. He could not refuse now that they were friends. Since he had promised, on her birthday night, that he would come again. This time there would be no Corey to interrupt. Spring vacation was over. Corey, and most of the rest of their friends, had gone back to college. She would not see Corey again until graduation. Before he left he had insisted Sally promise that she would come up to Dartmouth for that.

This time, tomorrow evening, Sally would have Dan all to herself again. He would not feel out of place, as he had with her friends. He would fit in very well at a quiet dinner with her father and herself. He would see that with them—people who understood him and admired and liked him just for what he was—that he did belong.

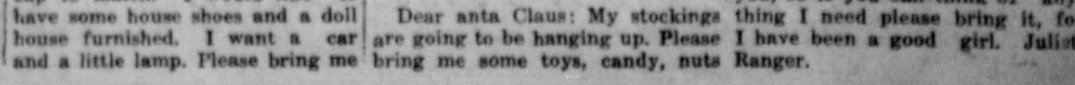
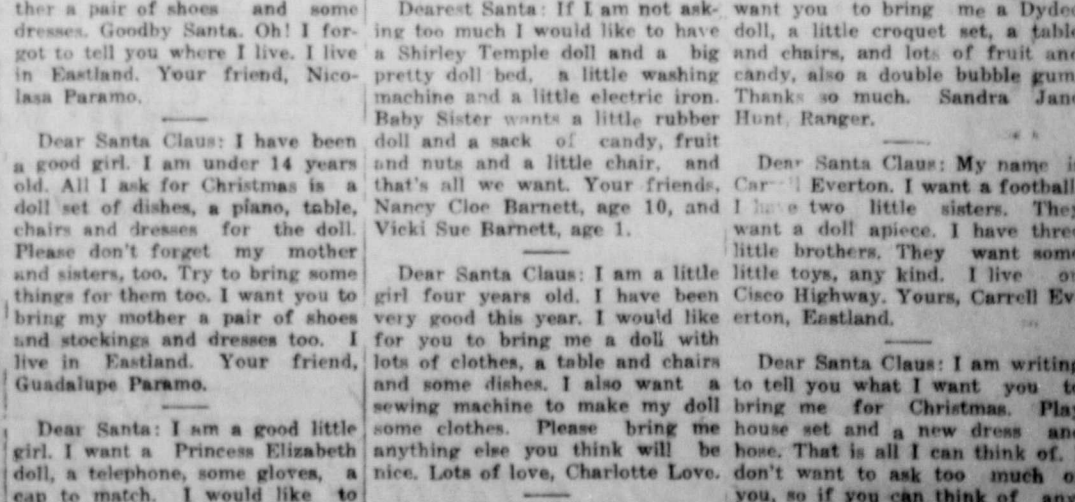
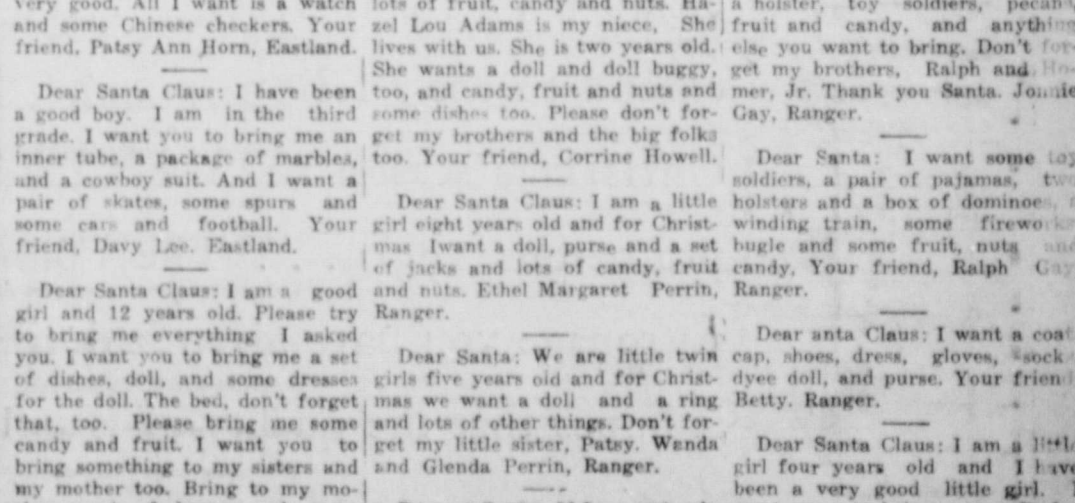
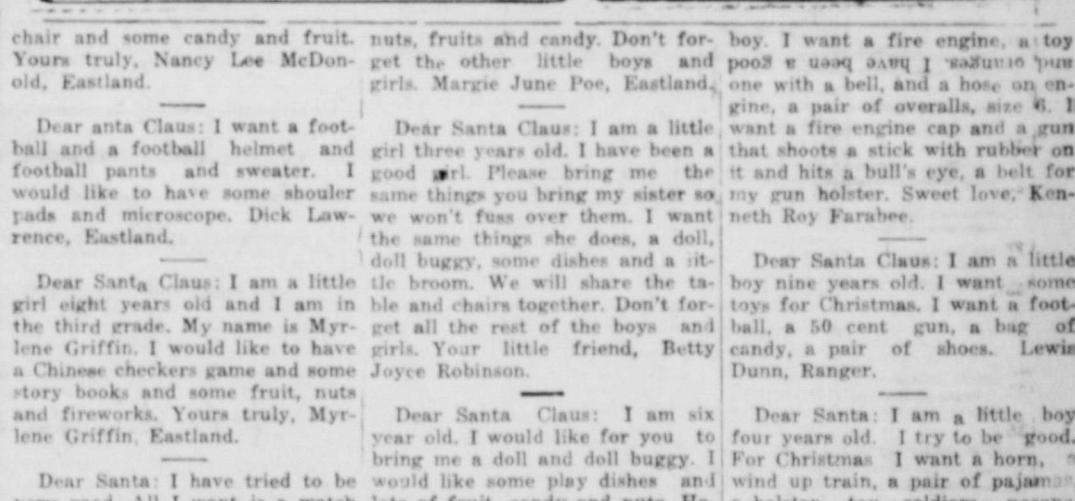
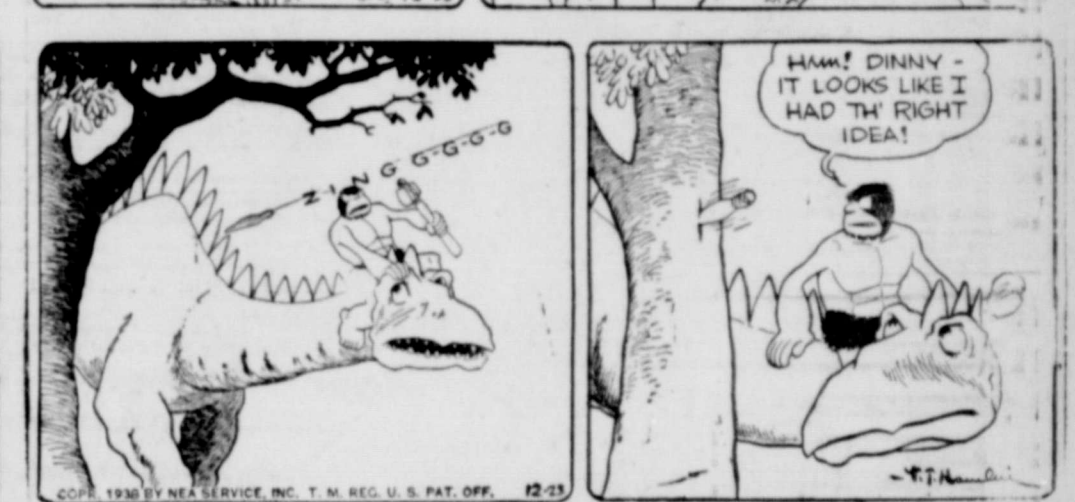
Oh, the world was a wonderful place! It was wonderful to be alive, to care for someone as she did for Dan. Even when Dan did not know it, or if he did, would not accept it. It was wonderful to be in love!

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FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS—By Blosser



"OUT OUR WAY" — By Williams



Letters to Santa from Local Children

(Continued from Page 1.)

Dear Santa: I have been very good. Please bring me an air gun, some apples, oranges, candy and a box of shells for my gun. Please don't forget my brothers, sisters and my daddy and mother. I am eight years old and in the third grade. I go to school at Kokomo. Mrs. Higginbotham is my teacher. We have 17 girls and 9 boys in our room. Please remember all of them, too. Your pal, Billie B. Eaves, Gorman.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a bicycle, new book satchel, a scooter, microscope, clock, radio, telegraph set, map and clothes. Please don't forget the other boys and girls. Bring mother and daddy what you think they will like. Alton Landry, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle and clothes. I did not get whipped this week. Almost all I want is a bicycle. Please give me a bicycle. Santa Claus I want some candy and nuts. Your friend, Betty Jo Curtis, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like for you to bring me a dyed doll and a pair of house shoes and a bath robe. I have been a good little girl. Please bring me some candy, fruit and nuts. I am in the third grade. Yours truly, Betty Jo Rutherford, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good little girl. Please bring me a queen doll and typewriter and desk and a ballet dance and some story books and some candy and a violin. Yours truly, Billie Floy Hunt, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: Would you bring me a bicycle and doll? I have been a good girl. Virginia Sellers, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like you to leave me a microscope and a long ranger suit and some candy and a football suit and a football and fruit. My name is Hilton Floyd, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a pretty little doll, three doll blankets, one blue, one pink and one yellow. Your friend, Bina Lou Freeman, third grade, Eastland.

Dear Santa: I would like to have a sleepy doll, a dress and some slippers and socks, and some crayons. My shoe size is 13-12, and dress size 9, socks 8. I am seven years old. I have been a very good little girl. Yours truly, Norma Baker, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I am writing you for what I want best. I want a new dress and a big doll and a pair of shoes and socks, shoes size 2-1-2, and socks size 9, and an embroidery set too. Yours truly, June I can't think of anything more. Baker, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I am writing you for the things I want if you please Santa. I want a doll, a doll bed, socks and shoes. I have been a good girl. I am three years old. Truly yours, Mary Ann Baker, Ranger.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy, six years old. I live in the T. P. Camp on the Eastland Highway. Please bring me a little toy grocery store and a cowboy suit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Glen Mitchell, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 10 years old. Please bring a wagon, a football, a band, a bicycle, cap pistol, doctor bag, skates, pair Sunday shoes, firecrackers, BB gun, oranges, apples, candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls, mother and daddy. I want a football cap too. Bring mother and dad a big present. I am going to close. With love, Al Smith, Ranger.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a blackboard, train, a truck, a set of Lincoln logs, some modeling clay, a drum, a marble game and a tricycle. Your little friend, Donald Jacobs, Ranger.

Dear Santa Claus: Please send me an electric train and some building toys. Please send me a football suit and Indian suit. Please send me some candy, apples, oranges, bananas and firecrackers (baby giants). Louis Raymond Doyle, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I want a wagon for Christmas, some gloves, a toy gun, also some candy, nuts and anything else you will bring me. I am a boy six years old, in the first grade at school. Miss Viroen is my teacher. Remember my brother Wayne. Vernie Miller, Ranger.

Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl and I want a little desk. And some candy and fruit and some fireworks. With love, Louise Alexander, Ranger.

Dear Santa Claus: I want an air rifle and a football, and toys and candy and other things for Christmas. I have been a good boy. I am going to be a good boy. Your friend, Betty Jean White, Gorman.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a Dyed doll for Christmas. I also want some apples, oranges, candy and nuts. I want a pair of pajamas and something for mother. Love to Santa. Helen Ruth Robinson, Ranger.

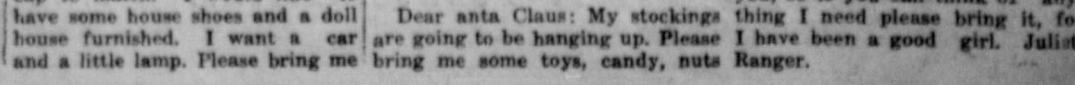
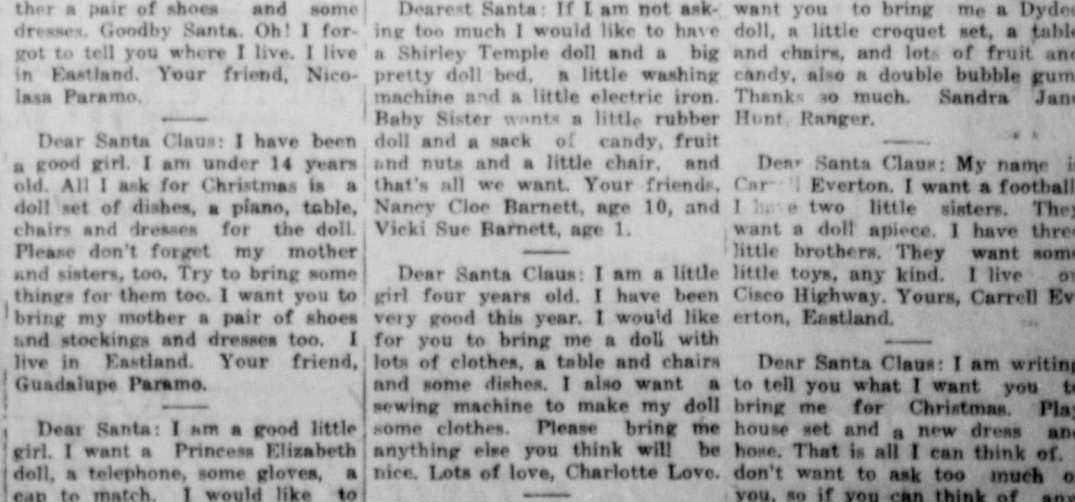
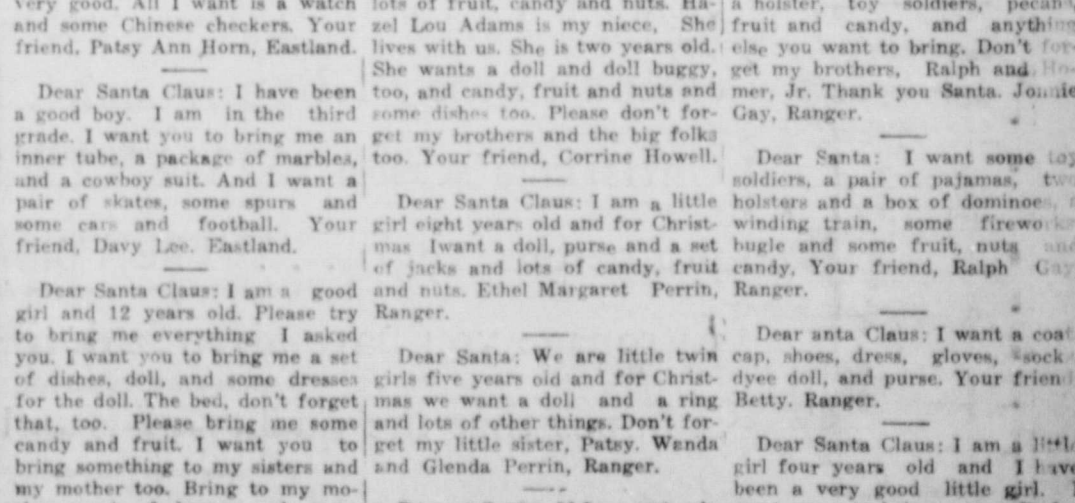
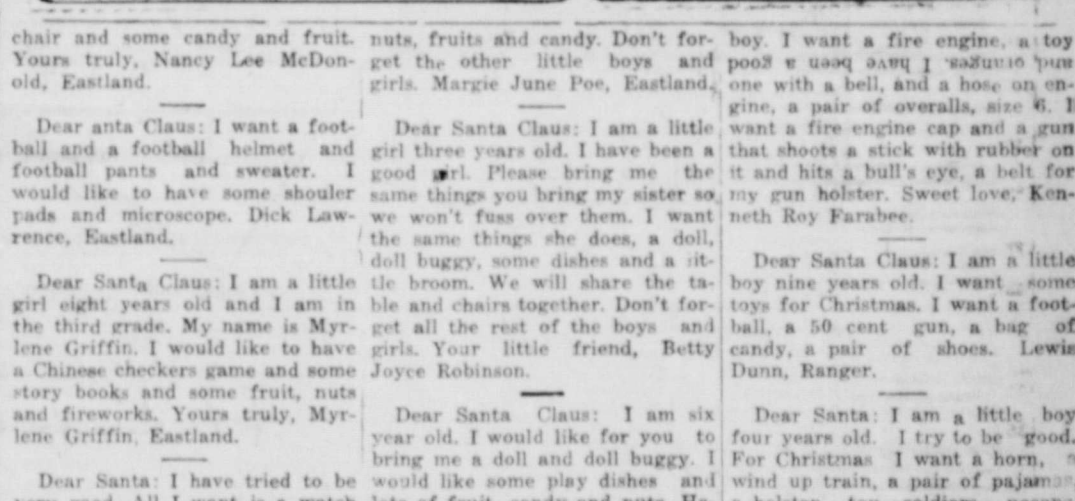
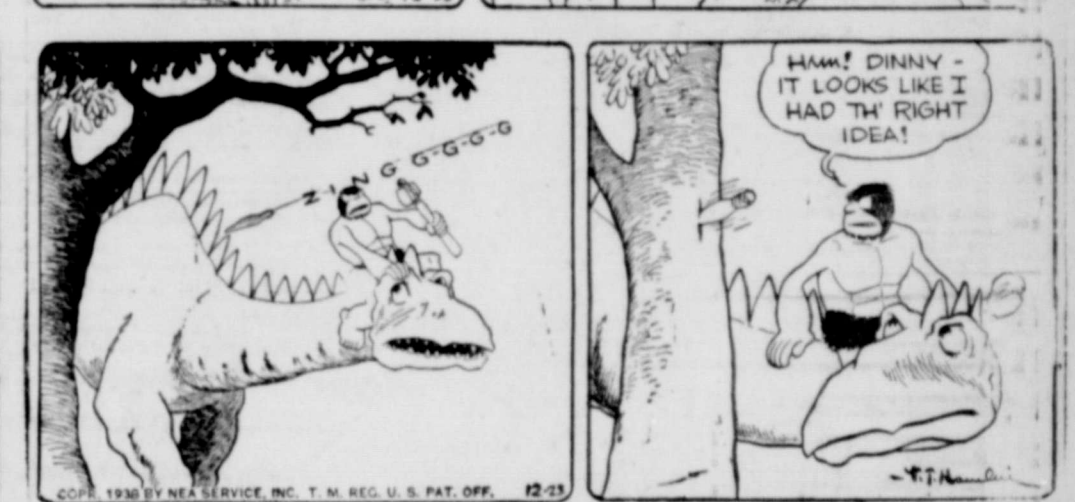
Dear Santa: I am a little boy. Please send me a bicycle and a radio and a football. Please bring me an electric train. Yours truly, Bobbie Collier, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 10 years old. I go to school and I am in the third grade. I would like a pair of skates and some candy, fruit and nuts. Yours truly, Marvin Nash, Eastland.

Dear Santa: I would like a BB gun that holds 500 shots, and a bicycle with a front light and back light. I am nine years old and I have been a good boy. My name is Gene Stewart and would like to have you come to my house. And Santa I would like you to leave me some fruit and some nuts. I am in the third grade. Yours truly, Gene Stewart, Eastland.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little girl. I am in the third grade, have brown hair and brown eyes. I want a locket and chain and a scrap book and a photograph book and a desk and

ALLEY OOP — By Hamblin



Society

Miss Alla Ray Kuykendall Leaves for New York
Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall and Mrs. Saunders Gregg accompanied Miss Alla Ray Kuykendall to Fort Worth Thursday morning from where she left by train at 5 p. m. for St. Louis at which place she hoped to get a plane to Chicago and on to New York. The plane on which she was to go direct to New York was grounded in El Paso and sent back to Los Angeles on account of weather conditions. This was the first time in a year the plane was unable to go through. Dr. Kuykendall returned to Ranger Thursday morning and Mrs. Kuykendall remained with her daughter and came home later by bus. Mrs. Gregg returned to Ranger with Mrs. W. R. Bowden and Mrs. Pete Jensen, who spent the day in Fort Worth.

Mrs. E. T. Eubank Honors Son With Birthday Party
Mrs. E. T. Eubank honored her

son, Jackie Rae, with a birthday party Wednesday, Dec. 21, at her home, 316 Cypress Street. After several games were played and prizes awarded, the guests gathered around the dining table for refreshments.

Pink animal cookies marched around a birthday cake which held eight pink candles. Balloons and candy favors helped form the table decorations.

Guests for the affair were Elizabeth Ann Roberts, Joyce Cole, Evelyn Rogers, Betty Sue Ames, Robert Toti, Ralph Gay Fred Joseph, Gene Garner, Jack Cole, Richard and Robert Martin, Leo Warden, Tommy Sims, Robert Weems, John and Charlie Hanrahan, Frances Buddy and Jack Rae Eubank.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Schooley Entertain Friends

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Schooley entertained with a three-course dinner Thursday night for friends.

The house and table was beautifully decorated with a red, white and green theme, the center of which was a beautifully lighted tree.

Places were marked for Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McClister, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Houghton and Miss

Doris Fern McClister and Mr. Hugh Skiles.

After the dinner forty-two was played, with Mr. J. B. Houghton winning high score for men and Mrs. J. D. McClister high for ladies.

Winsome Sunday School Class Has Christmas Party

The Winsome class of the First Baptist Church was entertained with a Christmas party Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hugh Russell.

The living room was beautifully decorated, and the Christmas motif was carried out in detail. The miniature tree was majestically lighted and tiny reindeer on a blanket of snow waddled to the loveliness.

Each member of the class received a gift after hot chocolate, popcorn and apples had been served, individual favors of stick candy and tiny stockings were presented to each member and child present.

Chinese checkers added to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

The party ended with the following singing Christmas carols: Mmes. Jody Stephens, J. D. Weaver, Onis Mills, Warren Moore, Finis King, Alton Sumrall, J. B.

Adkins, J. D. Johnson, A. M. Carver, Jessie Minter, Gail Towne, R. A. Steele, Lee Russell, Jeff Rawls, Rankin Britt.

Country Club Members To Sponsor Dance Saturday Night, Dec. 31

The holiday social season will be climaxed with a New Year's Eve dance on Saturday night, December 31st, at the Ranger Country Club house sponsored by the club for club members and friends.

Plans have been completed and the invitations are in the mail, so when you get your invitation we hope that you will not decline to watch with us until next year, which as you know, is almost here. There will be fun for all who come.

Between dances there will be novelty dancing by Ranger's own talented young ladies who need no introduction to you. Misses Dorothy Henry and Margaret Watt. To see these young ladies dance is a big treat, and always enjoyed very much.

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T. C. U. Queen



Miss Frances Buster, junior of Fort Worth, will reign as "Queen" of the annual Sugar Bowl Ball in New Orleans, Jan. 1, 1939. Miss Buster has previously been honored by her fellow students at T. C. U. by election two years as one of the annual beauties and one year as "Band Sweetheart." The boy friend, none other than the one and only David O'Brien! But the ball is the night before the Sugar Bowl game and Davey must early to bed. So Queen Frances will send in a substitute for Davey.

stay at home, for you too can aid will enjoy the show and can help usher in the New Year properly with noisemakers and favors which will be furnished all present.

Refreshments will also be served, so don't forget to make your plans now to help us celebrate the ending of the old year, 1938, and the beginning of a new year, 1939.

Miss Helen Dawley, tax office secretary, is leaving today for a visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Champion of Tyler will arrive Friday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Champion and children and her aunt, Mrs. Harry Henry, and family.

Rankin Britt of Ranger Is Given Letter at School

COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Dec. 22.—When the Texas A. & M. College Athletic Council recently approved the recommendations of the coaches and awarded 31 varsity football letters, three cross country minor sports letters and 24 freshman football numerals a new all-time football letter record was set.

Never before in the history of the council have as many as 31 grid letters been awarded in one season, although there have been larger numbers of cross country letters and freshman football numerals awarded.

Rankin Britt, end, of Ranger, was awarded his third varsity football letter. He completed his eligibility this season.

LASH PREFERRED TO JAIL
By United Press

HAMILTON, Ont.—In an effort to avoid having his son associate with criminals, William Forrester suggested that the 24-year-old youth receive lashes instead of a prison sentence. The son was charged with stealing a golf stick.

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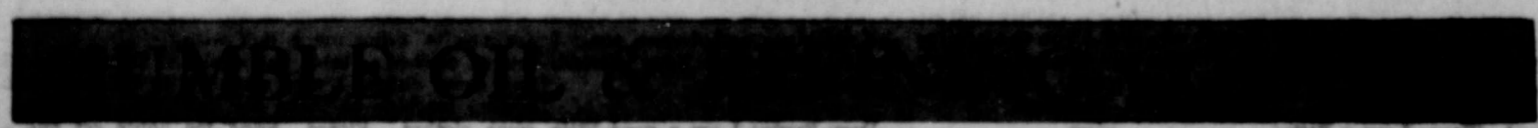
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