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## PRESIDENT IS SEEKING TAX FOR DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—President Roosevelt delivered his annual message on the state of the nation before a joint session of congress shortly after noon today in which he urged that new taxes be levied for increased national defense expenditures.

The president urged that reciprocal trade agreements with foreign countries be extended and declared that all government costs, except for defense, would be decreased this year.

His annual budget message will be delivered to congress tomorrow.

Hope for peace was expressed along with a request by the newly appointed secretary of the navy, Charles Edison, for emergency powers to permit the president, as a "precautionary measure," to commandeer all ships and factories and materials, if necessary, in time of war.

## Sees Parents After 12 Years



**Gunnald Moller**  
Gunnald Moller, 16-year-old passenger on the American Scantliner, Scantmail, arrives at Jersey City from Europe to be reunited with her parents. She was 4 when she last saw them.

## PEACE TALK IN EUROPE STOPS WITH PROTESTS

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Compromise peace talk dwindled today as both Russia and Germany warned Great Britain against aiding Finland in her war with Russia.

Germany claimed that England was seeking naval, military and air bases in Finland, from which an attack on Germany might be launched.

Indirect word came from Rumania of a threat of Italian intervention if Russia continued to mass troops on the Rumanian border. Word from Bucharest said that Italy would take steps to insure the independence of Balkan states if Russia continued as a menace toward the peace of smaller European countries.

Turkey was expected to stand firm on her pact with Britain in the event of trouble in the southeastern part of Europe.

Foreign Minister Molotov of Russia warned Britain against any further anti-Soviet activities in landing aid to Finland.

## Everybody Fights in Finland



There are no stay-at-homes in the Finnish war. The wife and daughter, above, of Gen. Lennart Oesch, chief of staff of the Finnish army, are both in service. Mrs. Oesch is a member of the women's Lotta Svast group, and her daughter is an army departmental phone operator.

## WEATHER HELPS FINLAND ALONG ENTIRE BORDER

A cold wave of blizzard proportions today was aiding Finland materially in her defense of the Mannerheim line, on the Karelian Isthmus, where a major Russian attack has been anticipated for several days. Visibility along most of the 600 mile front to the sub-Arctic was reported at zero, with Russian bombing planes being grounded after raids on Turku (Abo), southern Finnish seaport.

The reports that several Russian planes had been grounded in Finland was the outgrowth of reports on the weather.

On the Karelian Isthmus the temperature had dropped to 20 degrees below zero, and in the northern sector, near Petsamo, the temperature was reported at 40 below. It is thought that the Soviet is still preparing for a major offensive on the isthmus when weather will permit.

These reports came on the heels of accounts of the battle in the "waistline" sector, where 15,000 more Russian troops were trapped on the ice and the entire division annihilated. The Finns surrounded 4,000 Russians on Lake Kianta, and when reinforcements came, they were allowed through the Finnish lines and the lake again surrounded. Finnish bombers broke up the ice, heavy casualties resulting.

The Finnish parliament is to meet this afternoon, but the nature of the meeting has not been disclosed. It was presumed that they would take up discussion of the general conduct of the war with Russia.

## Australia to Send U. S. Her 'Eden'



As Australia prepares to make its first diplomatic approach abroad by naming a minister to the United States, Richard Gardner Casey is reported slated for the post. Called the "Anthony Eden of Australia," he is treasurer of the commonwealth.

## 19 KILLED IN MINNEAPOLIS HOTEL BLAZE

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 3.—The death toll in the Marlborough Hotel fire, which broke out early this morning, had mounted this afternoon to 19, with possibility that it might go higher. More than 40 were injured, 10 seriously, and it was believed that more of the 200 residents of the apartment hotel might have been trapped by the flames.

The janitor of the building said the fire started when he opened the door of a furnace in the boiler room in the basement. An explosion followed and he was blown more than 10 feet, as fire spread rapidly over the building.

Many of the injured were hurt when they jumped from the second and third floor windows.

One man, suffocated by smoke, who jumped from an upper floor window, stated that there were still more people trapped on that floor when he jumped. Their bodies had not been recovered by firemen.

The hotel contained 80 apartments in which there were 200 regular residents, many of whom were cut off from escape by burning stairways. Those who fled to the streets in their night clothes were provided shelter from the temperature of seven degrees below zero, which prevailed early this morning.

## Police Leave With Charles E. McKay

Charles E. McKay was remanded to the custody of California authorities Tuesday afternoon by Judge B. W. Patterson at a habeas corpus hearing in 88th district court.

The court found the law with the California authorities who sought McKay because of a complaint alleging issuance of a "bad" \$65 check at the Montgomery Ward Company in Tulare, Calif. The court also found that the authorities had gone through the proper extradition procedure.

McKay was released from the county jail Saturday after a writ of habeas corpus was issued.

Constable Losey and Police Lieutenant McMillan left Wednesday morning with their prisoner and were to go to Tulare where McKay will face the charge.

## NYA Officials On Inspection Tour Of Ranger Project

A number of NYA officials from East Texas were in Ranger today on an inspection trip through the shops, the dormitories, the new NYA barracks which are now being built and inspecting work done by the Ranger enrollees.

Those who were visiting the project today, and who were conducted on a tour of inspection by Mayor Hall Walker, were H. Ray Roberts, district director, Marshall; Charles W. Turbyfill, area supervisor, San Augustine; Davis McKenzie, area supervisor, Lufkin; W. C. Rogge, district engineer, Marshall; John W. Smith, area supervisor, Clarksville; M. J. Rattan, shop superintendent, Clarksville; Frank Coons, area supervisor, Texarkana; Johnnie Priest, area supervisor, Marshall and H. J. Greaser, city manager of Marshall.

## C. Of C. Directors To Name Nominees To Board Monday

Directors of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night, Jan. 8, in the first and one of the most important meetings of the year.

All directors have been urged to be present, if possible, because 15 names must be selected from which five directors will be chosen for the next three-year period. Names are submitted to the Ranger City Commission for election of directors.

Those whose terms expire are John Kindel, Dr. P. M. Kuykendall, W. F. Creager, A. N. Larson and Dr. Ross Hodges. Only three of this five have served the full three year periods, as Kindel was elected to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Harry Wheeland and Dr. Kuykendall was elected to fill the unexpired term of C. D. Woods.

## Federal Code Upsets Svelte Figures Of Reno Booster Girls

By United Press  
RENO, Nev.—The night life girls of Reno, whose job it is to spread good cheer and hospitality to divorce-seekers and furnish a satin lining to gambling houses and cabarets, are taking on weight.

The sylph-like silhouettes of yesteryear's charm girls are disappearing with the change from iced tea to whiskey drinking.

The booster, or "B" girl who drinks with the patrons for a percentage no longer gets the impudent "shot" of tea from a special bottle behind the bar, because the federal alcohol restrictions require all bottles to be the real thing, with tax stamp affixed and the bottle to be destroyed immediately it is emptied.

There are several general classifications of "After Dark" charms in Reno: the "B" girl; the "shill," who sits at gambling tables and plays for the house, and the feminine gambling dealers, used in only a few of the lesser clubs.

The "B" girl receives one-half of all she drinks—that is, one drink, paid for by a patron at 25 cents, nets her 12 1/2 cents. Four dollars is a good night's earnings for her. She also may receive tips.

The "shill," who gambles and gambles, intently watching the click and whirl of the roulette wheel, but never really plays "for keeps," receives a straight wage of 50 cents an hour.

The woman dealers receive \$5 per eight-hour shift, for throwing dice or running a wheel.

Checkroom girls may earn as high as \$60 a week during the winter in one of the better establishments, but in the summer their earnings are considerably less.

## New Officers Of Eastland Lodge Are Installed

New officers of the Knights of Pythias were installed Tuesday night at a meeting in Castle Hall at Eastland.

A group of eight candidates also received the third rank at the meeting. This was the largest group to receive ranks for several months, officials pointed out.

The persons who received the third rank were E. E. Brinson, M. S. Spurlin, Pete Clement, L. G. Powell, H. G. White, Karl M. Harper, Tim Barnett and T. S. Davis. Officers installed by T. J. Powell, district deputy, were: C. C. Street, chancellor commander; Noah Byars, vice chancellor; Emory Bradford, prelate; K. K. White, master of work; Herbert Reed, keeper of records and seals; Arthur Wright, master of finance; S. L. (Leon) Bourland, master of the exchequer; B. J. Ogden, master at arms; C. R. Karkalis, inner guard; T. R. Seelye, outer guard.

The lodge begins the new year with a membership of 156, a new high for the organization. The lodge was reorganized in December, 1922.

## Highway 80 Plans Backed by Abilene

ABILENE, Jan. 3.—Endorsement of a Highway 80 modernization campaign originating in Sweetwater was voiced Tuesday by Mayor Will Hair, County Judge Carl Hulse and Merle Gruver, manager of the local chamber of commerce.

Mayor Hair was invited to ally Abilene with the movement by Mayor C. C. Johnston of Sweetwater, and Judge Hulse received a similar invitation from Nolan County Judge Charles Lewis.

Efforts to secure complete modernization of the highway, known as the Broadway of America, were launched at a meeting of Nolan county commissioners. They proposed to enlist other county officers and municipal authorities in Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Taylor, Jones and Callahan counties.

Mayor Hair said he had written Mayor Johnston assuring him Abilene was heartily in favor of such a campaign and tendering full cooperation. Hair referred the matter to Gruver, who said he likewise had assured the Sweetwater mayor of "active interest" in a program to "improve obsolete sections" of the highway. Hulse expressed similar sentiments.

## Jail Is Remodeled To Hold Prisoner

By United Press  
EL PASO, Tex.—The third time is the charm—for police if not for Frederico Ramirez who twice successfully broke out of jail.

Police are glad Ramirez' third attempt failed, because they are tired of adding to the city jail to keep him from breaking away.

Last November he made a successful break when he squeezed through a wire net along a passageway connecting the identification bureau with the jail. Police fixed that.

His third attempt was foiled when a jailer spotted him after he had slipped through the wire gate of the cage where prisoners await hearing.

## Father and Son Are Both Entitled To Exemption Vote

John Ritchey McKain and son, John Ritchey McKain, Jr., of Desdemona are both entitled to "free" votes this year.

The father, born in 1879, was 60 recently and thus this year is entitled to an exemption vote. The son will be 21 in October and also will be entitled to an exemption certificate. He was born in 1919.

The elder McKain is a driller and has lived in Desdemona for 18 years. His son, although he has been working recently in East Texas, also calls Desdemona his home.

## Friend of Hitler's Returns to England

FOLKSTONE, England, Jan. 3.—Unity Freeman-Mifford, English girl who was a close friend of Adolf Hitler until the outbreak of the war, returned to her home from Germany today, reportedly suffering from a mysterious bullet wound in her neck.

## Extension Agent On H. D. Program

Miss Ruth Ramey, county home agent, discussed "The Food Budget," at a meeting of the Morton Valley Home Demonstration club Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Ed Castleberry.

Mrs. Ted May, chairman, presided at the meeting. Mrs. May appointed new committee members to serve the new year.

The next meeting of the organization was announced for Tuesday, Jan. 16, at the home of Mrs. Bill Wheat.

Those present at the session this week were Mmes. Ada Tankersley, Nonnie Smith, W. A. McMahon, Josie K. Nix, R. W. Gordon, May, Crouch and Miss Ramey.

## Former Resident Reported Better

C. McCormick of Breckenridge, who has been ill for the past several weeks, is reported by friends to be improving. He is a former resident of Eastland County.

## Presidential Form?



Even a vacation trip is serious business for a presidential candidate trying to get in form, as witness the grim, earnest expression of Thomas E. Dewey. He's at Augusta, Ga., to get in form before putting on full steam in the big race.

## Voters To Decide On Merger Plan

Qualified citizens of the Carbon and Flatwood school districts will go to the polls Saturday, January 13, and vote upon a proposal to merge the districts, forming the Carbon Independent School district.

Oscar Lyerla has been appointed as presiding officer at Flatwood for the election and M. V. Crossley has been appointed as presiding officer for the voting at Carbon.

It was pointed out today by officials that the election is on consolidation only and not on bonds.

## Trial Of Case Is Begun In Tribunal

Trial of a case in which J. E. Pratt is plaintiff and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and others are defendants was begun in 91st district court Wednesday.

Pratt is suing the union because he believes he is entitled to additional seniority.

## Japan And Russia To Fix Boundaries

TOKYO, Jan. 3.—The foreign office announced today that Japan and Russia had agreed upon a commission to permanently fix the boundary along the Manchurian border, which has long been under dispute.

## Cotton Ginnings Show An Increase

Cotton ginnings in Eastland county up to Dec. 13 totaled 572, according to the Department of Commerce, which also reported the figure for the corresponding period last year was 344 bales.

## County Council To Meet Jan. 10

The first meeting of the Eastland County Home Demonstration Council of this year will be held Wednesday afternoon, January 2, at 2 o'clock in the county court room at Eastland, according to an announcement today.

At the meeting committees for the year will be appointed and the year's work outlined.

Mrs. Owen Hinman of Ranger is chairman of the council.

## Airway Is Seeking A Six-Day Schedule

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Pan-American Airways has announced plans for a contemplated 6-day daily plane service between the United States and Europe, with flights to be almost non-stop, with only one stopover in Bermuda.

Regular schedules are now being maintained twice weekly.

## Swedish Steamer Is Sunk By A Sub

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A Swedish steamer, which sent out an SOS early this morning, reporting that it was being fired upon by a German U-boat, was sunk by a torpedo, with a loss of 26 of its 31 crew members. Eleven were rescued. Survivors said the vessel sank in a minute and a half after being struck.

## Man Is Restrained By Court's Order

Ninety-first district court has ordered District Clerk John M. White to issue a writ of injunction for Dr. W. S. Carter to enjoin and restrain Fred Zellars from selling, removing or disposing of a "dance hall" near Rising Star until further order of the court.

The order was issued after Dr. Carter had applied for the writ of injunction.

## Mann Makes Ruling On Poll Tax Laws

AUSTIN, Jan. 3.—Attorney General Gerald Mann today ruled that persons residing in towns of less than 10,000 population still can get poll tax receipts without appearing in person before the collector, but the agent must be designated by them in order to obtain the receipts.

## Cold Wave Covers Most Of The State

Cold weather continued to prevail over most of the state today, with temperatures slightly below freezing being reported. Austin was the coldest reporting station, with a minimum of 27 degrees, Houston 30, San Antonio 32, Fort Arthur 37, and Fort Worth 29.

## Revolution Hints Heard In Ireland

DUBLIN, Ireland, Jan. 3.—Revolution in Ireland was hinted today as Irish Republican Army members went on trial, accused of trying to break into an arsenal to secure guns and ammunition.

It was hinted that the Irish Republican Army activities were backed by Nazis, but this was denied by army officials.

## Report of Battle In Air Conflicting

Conflicting reports from Berlin and London have been released concerning an air battle over the German naval base at Helgoland, off the North Sea.

Nazi reports are that three British planes were shot down and all German craft returned safely. British reports state that one Nazi plane was shot down and "possibly two others" when three British planes attacked 12 German aircraft. The British admitted loss of one plane in the encounter.

## Librarian Admits Killing Her Mother

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 3.—Miss Agnes West, assistant librarian of the University of West Virginia, today admitted, police said, to strangling her mother to death and then attempting suicide by leaping from her hotel window.

Miss West struck a false tin roof, which broke her fall and she was not seriously injured.

The librarian is quoted as saying that she strangled her mother with a scarf, which she was putting on as they prepared to leave the hotel.

## Area NYA Official Reported Improved

Jack Hale, area NYA supervisor who has been confined to his home at Eastland for several weeks because of rheumatism, was reported improved Wednesday.

## Social Insurance Brings Benefits To Workers Over 65

ABILENE, Texas — Effective January 1, 1940, the amended Social Security Act provides aged wage earners and their families with greater protection than they have ever known before against insecurity in old-age, according to W. O. King, manager of the Abilene Social Security Board field office. He cited the following hypothetical example of how the plan will work.

Bill Jones works only three years in covered employment averaging \$100 a month in wages. Bill, who is 65, retires on January 2, 1940. He files an application and receives a check for \$25.75 from the United States Treasury every month for the rest of his life.

Bill's wife, Martha, who is also 65, receives a check for \$12.82 every month as long as Bill lives. When he dies Martha's check increases to \$19.32 each month for the rest of her life. In the event of dependent and unmarried children under age 18, they, too, would each receive \$12.82, although all benefits payable may not exceed twice Bill's original benefit.

Under the original old-age insurance plan a wage earner reaching 65 between 1936 and 1942 received a single lump-sum payment of 3 1/2 per cent of his taxable wages; monthly benefits were not payable before January 1, 1942. The amended Social Security Act, in addition to bringing more people under the program, increases the size of monthly benefits and advances the monthly benefit date two years, to January 1, 1940, instead of 1942.

King explained that charts showing monthly benefits based on an average monthly wage and years of employment are available in printed form at the Social Security Board field office at 205 Alexander Building, Abilene, Texas.

Manager King stated that he and his staff advise any person as to his eligibility under the program and assist anyone who is eligible in preparing his claim for benefits.

## Telegraph Merger Urged On Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Federal Communication Commission today urged that congress authorize merger of the Postal Telegraph Company and Western Union.

Reasons given for favoring the merger included one in which the need in time of national defense was stressed.

## H. D. Meetings of Week Are Listed

Miss Ruth Ramey, county home agent, announced Wednesday that meetings of the Staff and Word home demonstration clubs are scheduled for this week.

The meeting of the Staff club will meet Thursday at the home of Miss Willie Word. The Staff meeting was set at the home of Mrs. J. M. White.

**THE WEATHER**  
WEST TEXAS—Cloudy tonight and Thursday with light rain in southwest portion, little change in temperature.

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### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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## Shortage of Skilled Workers in U. S.?

Persistent rumors relating to the deficiency in the numbers of skilled workmen available to step into industrial openings culminated recently in the report issued by the United States Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber started out to make a survey of the effectiveness of state employment services. It concluded that employment services were operating as efficiently as possible. But it also discovered that there is something to the reports of a skilled labor shortage.

Particularly acute, according to the report, are conditions in the metal and building trades industries. The Chamber also concluded that the shortage appear to be most noticeable in the east and middle west.

What alarmed the Chamber particularly was the fact that the average age of skilled workers in the building trades was 45; in the metal trades, 47. If this is true, they ask, what will happen in another few years? From where can industry expect to get its new workers, trained in their trades?

Breakdown of the apprentice system and restrictions of vocational training in schools as a result of the depression are blamed by the Chamber as being responsible for the present lack of skilled workers. The report also speculated on the effects work-relief programs may have had on skill. In many cases, it was said, employers are hesitant to accept men who have been on relief projects for the past several years because they have lost the skills of their trades.

The report of the Chamber of Commerce has not been calmly accepted. No sooner had the figures been published than the C. I. O. countered with a vigorous refutation of any and all arguments that skilled labor was nowhere to be had. On the contrary, said John L. Lewis' union, the labor market is glutted with all kinds of skill and the problem is, as always, a shortage of jobs.

The C. I. O. set the unemployment figure at 9,500,000 with 5,500,000 registered at the U. S. Employment Service offices. In addition, according to C. I. O. figures, more than a million WPA workers are available for private industry.

Despite present conditions in the ranks of the skilled, the fact that a future shortage is impending cannot be overlooked. Apprentice systems were hit during the depression for the valid reason that it seemed futile to train new men for jobs which didn't exist; and because apprentices would have been used to take over the duties of trained workmen. It is also true that vocational training programs suffered in the schools because of shortage of funds.

There are about 5,000,000 young people out of work. It is believed very few are trained for industry. Many have had university educations to fit them for business and the professions, most of the others have received no training at all.

With the average age of the skilled worker getting higher, the shortage of skill may soon become too evident for anyone to deny.

## Democratic Menu for January 8th



LOSS WOODS

## Loss Woods Makes Announcement For Sheriff Of County

This issue of the paper carries the announcement of Loss Woods for Sheriff of Eastland County.

Many things have happened since Loss took office but none that have not been for the best interests of the people he has served. He has been fearless in his jurisdiction, fair and impartial in justifying the interests of a defendant and liberal in meeting the demands of the public for the protection that they feel is justly due them in the general welfare and safety for a peaceful and pleasant existence in the community in which they live.

Loss Woods has given Eastland County a fine clean administration as Sheriff and his corps of deputies have administered the affairs of the office entrusted to them with efficiency and integrity.

We gladly herewith give to the voters of the county Mr. Woods' statement and pass them on as to his qualifications and ability to continue to serve you as Sheriff.

I first want to sincerely thank the people for the support you have given me in the past and express my appreciation to you for your fine co-operation, during my tenure of office. Many of my friends have asked me to make the race again and I have decided to do so.

I have put forth every effort to make you a good sheriff, dealing with all matters pertaining to the sheriff's office without prejudice or partiality toward anyone.

If I am re-elected I will fulfill the duties of this office to the best of my ability.

LOSS WOODS.

## London Cat Thieves Stealing New Furs

LONDON.—The dark nights and shortage of imported foreign furs has set the cat thieves at work, and cats have been disappearing on a wholesale scale. Animal welfare authorities believe organized gangs are responsible, for the pelts of Persian cats or others can be dyed to appear a good substitute for cheap furs.

There's something too painfully symbolic in the national custom of starting the new year on a binge.

## INSTRUMENTS FILED WITH CLERK LISTED

Following is a list of instruments filed for record recently in the office of County Clerk R. V. Galloway.

J. H. Allen to Sadie Brandtine, warranty deed; E. C. Blackwell to Sam Blackwell et al., warranty deed; J. J. Brown et al. to J. W. Blackwell, extension of lien; Ward of Water Commission to Humble Oil and Gas company, cancellation of water permit; same to Mook Texas Oil company, warranty deed; C. R. Bond et ux to B. L. Hargus, Jr., warranty deed; E. C. Blackwell et al. to T. H. Seay, agreement.

City of Eastland to Mrs. George Karantonis, deed; Cora Davis to J. H. Greer, warranty deed; W. J. Greer et ux to Clyde Carter, two mineral deeds; J. R. Greer et ux to L. A. Steffey, release of vendor's lien; same to C. E. May, deed of trust; J. Scott Gilbert to Ed. McCannica, abstract judgment; C. L. Garrett to W. A. Johnson, warranty deed; W. I. Harper et ux to D. J. Jobe, warranty deed; Mrs. M. E. Lee estate to J. M. Robinson, administrator's deed.

M. H. McCannica et ux to Lela Jane Latch, warranty deed; May C. McCollum et al. to E. C. Fisher, warranty deed; Wiley McCollum et ux to E. C. Fisher, warranty deed; Rockwell Lumber company to A. J. Davis, abstract of judgment; H. Thurman to J. R. Greer, warranty deed; T. & P. Ry. company to E. N. Verner, deed; U. S. vs. K. F. Morton estate, release of tax lien; E. N. Verner to N. G. Verner, warranty deed; West Texas Finance Company vs. J. H. L. Ewell, abstract judgment.

## Cafe Set Up For Tommies Is Costly For Its Owner

LONDON.—A new West End bottle party "king" and a new type party where soldiers on leave can have a time without being fleeced is being operated.

Wealthy Stanley Hailwood, a blunt little Lancashire man from Manchester, with a farm at Oxford, the new "king" has no need to make his bottle party a paying stunt. He has wealth to spare. So he can afford to see there is no sharp practice at his West End place.

A few months ago someone asked him to put up \$14,000 for the Paradise Club. He gave a check and left it at that. But on the outbreak of the war he decided to take an active interest and see that it was operated under decent conditions. "No nude shows and carryings-on. Just good fun and fair treatment for all the lads on leave."

It costs him \$1,500 a week. But it's worth it. For he can nurse his secret ambition and have his own songs that he has composed sung in public. Not only that. It is paying. It is so popular that people are being turned away.



JUDGE W. S. ADAMSON

## Judge Adamson Makes Statement Upon Candidacy

This issue of the paper carries the announcement of W. S. Adamson for the office of County Judge of Eastland County.

During the past in his tenure of office Judge Adamson has made many friends by his friendly personality and efficient jurisdiction of the office he holds. He has been consistent and constant in administering the daily affairs of the office and it has been seldom that one could not find him at his office to discuss and solve the many problems that affect the citizens of the county as to financial conditions. He has faithfully and with jurisdictional unbiased intelligence and ability served on the bench of justice in all cases that have come before his court.

We are glad to give the citizens of Eastland county herewith a formal statement by Judge Adamson of his message for his candidacy in the coming election:

To the Voters of Eastland County:

In announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of County Judge of Eastland County, I wish to express my sincere thanks for the support you have given me in the past and the cooperation you have given me as your County Judge.

Although we have had the largest number of people on the WPA Rolls for the past two years we have ever had, we have furnished projects for their employment, and no citizen of Eastland County has been deprived of employment by reason of the failure of the Commissioners Court to sponsor WPA projects.

We have materially reduced the bonded indebtedness of the county, and have reduced the county tax rate twenty cents on the one hundred dollar valuation for the year 1939, making it the lowest rate the county has had since 1934.

As presiding officer of the Commissioners' Court, in handling the business and finances of the County, I have at all times kept in mind the best interest and the welfare of the citizens and tax payers of the county and in all cases tried before me as County Judge, I have tried to be fair, just and impartial.

If you believe that I have made

## "OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



you a good County Judge and deserve another term, your vote and influence will be highly appreciated.

Very sincerely,  
W. S. ADAMSON.

## Quilt Pattern To Mark Farms Of The Near Future

SPRINGFIELD, Tenn. — Motorists passing through Robertson county often shake their heads and think that farmers there don't know much about farming—but they do.

There are more crooked rows in those fields than in any other section of the United States. Many of the farms have taken on semblances of quilt patterns, and from the air they look like coats of many colors, stitches at the seams by sinuous terraces.

But while they appear most unorthodox, these farms are the farms of tomorrow. The men who till the soil on them can plow a straight furrow, but they have learned that the day of the

## Meteor Finder Is Bringing Results For a Professor

COLUMBUS, O.—The invention of a mathematics professor has

straight row has passed. Contour rows are far superior. Not only do they help conserve the soil, but they make the land more productive.

A new fashion for rows, small grains, pastures and legumes has been introduced here by engineers and farm planners who are directing operations on a conservation demonstration project covering 30,000 acres. The project is being sponsored by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which established a special area here two years ago.

J. E. Bradford, acting area conservationist, said surveys revealed that 80 per cent of the farm income in this section was derived from 20 per cent of the land. "Our job," said Bradford, "is to utilize the other 80 per cent."

brought to Ohio State University what is said to be the finest collection of meteorites in any collection in the country.

The meteorites were unearthed in Texas and Arizona last summer by Prof. Lincoln LaPaz with the aid of an electrical device which he had built. The instrument is believed to be the first ever used to record the presence of magnetic and meteoric material beneath the surface of the ground.

To the geologist the few meteorites which finally reach the earth after their flaming flight through space are valuable. One weighing a pound would be considered a prize. But with the aid of Prof. LaPaz' instrument the university has increased its collection many times over. It now contains a meteorite weighing 40 pounds.

The professor first became interested in meteorites while tracing their paths mathematically. From this he turned to their actual collection and the invention of a device which at last puts the search for meteorites on a scientific basis.

Kindly stand by for a moment while Presidential Candidate Thomas E. Dewey tries to find out who's stealing nickels from New York subways.

## LITTLE CORPORAL

**HORIZONTAL**

- Emperor of France who died in exile.
- Metropolitan of a province.
- Indian gateway.
- Sung by a choir.
- Jests.
- Ocean.
- Plant part.
- Numerical.
- Colonist.
- Organ of hearing.
- Southeast.
- Flour box.
- Mister.
- Right.
- Caterpillar hair.
- Ridge.
- Overskirt.
- One not easily excited.
- Officer's helper.
- X.
- Exists.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

38 Snaky fish. 39 Electric unit. 40 Morindin dye. 41 To doze. 43 Worldly. 48 Room recess. 49 Silkworm. 51 Gave medicine to. 52 Expensive. 53 Exploit. 55 Males. 56 Portion. 57 He was born in.

59 Supervisor of. 60 Circle part. 11 Uncommon. 12 Transparent. 14 Wolframite. 15 His wife, Empress. 17 And. 19 Pertaining to the joints. 22 Painted. 25 To misrepresent. 27 Values. 29 Health spring. 31 Male child. 37 Sparoid fish. 40 Winged. 42 Breakwater. 44 Insensibility. 45 Custom. 46 Optical glass. 47 Advertisement. 48 Pertaining to air. 5 Langours. 6 Printer's term. 50 Onager. 52 Father. 54 Musical note. 56 Plural.

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YESTERDAY, Mary awakens in a London nursing home. She is an American, Dr. Lenox, caring for her. A patient in the next bed tells her that it was only through Dr. Lenox's care that Mary's life was saved. In a newspaper, Mary reads her own name among the dead. Anna Winters has been saved. A man enters the ward—Vincent!

CHAPTER IX MRS. TULLY, refreshed by her nap, stirred in bed. Mrs. Tully was middle-aged, but there was vestige enough of what had once been real beauty to make people describe her as a "handsome woman." Even in the terror of the sinking Moravia and the confusion of the lifeboats, she had managed to present an arresting appearance.

Sitting up in bed, she reached under her pillow and drew forth a large square mirror and from somewhere extracted puff and powder.

Mary Carroll, her eyes leaping with wild joy at sight of the figure coming down the aisle, paid no attention.

Vincent was here—Vincent had not given her up for dead! Mary started to signal wildly to him. She tried to scream his name.

Mrs. Tully, leaning toward her, caught the excitement. "What's wrong? See anyone you know?"

"It's my sweetheart," Mary began, furious because the words were so blurred and indistinct. "He's coming down the ward."

Mrs. Tully, obviously not understanding, let the mirror slip from her hands. Mary saw it sliding and saw reflected in it an ugly, distorted face. She caught the glass and drew it closer, as Mrs. Tully, suddenly agitated, reached for it.

Too late. Mary Carroll was staring in fascinated horror at her reflection. Hair combed tightly back, ashen, mottled skin, and a terribly twisted, mishapen cheek.

AS Mrs. Tully tore the mirror from her hands, Mary was vaguely aware that the woman kept saying, "The very thing Dr. Lenox warned me about. The very thing. He'll be furious. You mustn't mind, dearie. You're lucky to be alive."

The gabbling was lost on Mary as, crouched in her pillows, she saw Vincent's steps bring him

closer and closer to her bedside. Vincent's lean face was haggard, a haunted look in his eyes. His brows, no longer cocked in amused arrogance, were like black arrows across his forehead.

For a minute, the ward's shaded green light, the beds in even rows, seemed to drop away. Mary Carroll was alone, her very heartbeat silent.

Vincent looked at her—a fleeting, indifferent look—and walked on. There hadn't been a sign of recognition in his glance. Only utter weariness, as if he were in a trance, driven hopelessly on.

Mary buried her face under the sheets. Vincent hadn't known her! She hadn't known herself. Perhaps Mary Carroll was dead.

Mrs. Tully was trying to be comforting. "There's people coming in her all the time looking for survivors. Poor devils. Those of us that are alive have all been accounted for by now, I guess." She clasped her hands piously. "The others have gone to their rewards."

Mary remained motionless until she heard Vincent's familiar steps, slow, dragging now, return from his search through the ward. Then she moaned, low, despairingly.

A NURSE rushed quickly to her side. Soon, she felt the cool fingers of Dr. Lenox on her pulse. She heard Mrs. Tully say, "Honest, Dr. Lenox, I wouldn't have let her see the mirror for the world."

Dr. Lenox ignored the woman and spoke quietly to Mary. "I'm sorry. I'd hoped to prepare you for it slowly. It seems pretty bad at first, but that's because of what you've been through."

"My face!" Mary struggled to make herself heard. "Tell me the truth." Her hands clenched his.

Dr. Lenox drew a chair to the bedside, his red hair subdued and rustled in the shadows from the night light. Mary saw his gray eyes looking into hers, kind but unflinching.

"This is going to be hard to take—but I think you can stand it. In time, I believe you are going to be all right. The injury to your face when the Moravia was torpedoed seemed superficial at first. But shock, coupled with the stinging blow when you were apparently pitched forward on the deck, has caused a facial paralysis. The nerves on one side of your face, reaching to the mouth, have been rendered temporarily lifeless. That's why it's difficult for you to talk."

Mary pressed her hand to her mouth to hold back a scream. Dr.

Lenox went on, "Speech will come back gradually, I'm sure. As for the paralysis, there's a new treatment that can help you. Please believe me when I say nothing will be left undone to help you recover, Miss Winters."

"Miss Winters?" Mary repeated stupidly. "Miss Winters?" She stopped, more terrified than ever. The doctor had not understood what she was trying to say, but she knew, of a sudden, what had happened. Her hand touched the big, black pocketbook on the bed. Anna Winters' bag. She saw the tattered gray dress across the chair. Anna Winters' dress.

INSTANTLY, everything became clear. Anna Winters had dressed that night in Mary's red gown. She'd carried Mary's gold purse with its identifying contents. Anna had a serious heart condition. Shock of the torpedoing and the stampede that followed had perhaps permitted her to die quickly and mercifully. That's how the ghastly mistake had been made. Mary Carroll was listed as dead—Anna Winters as a survivor.

Yes, she was supposed to be Anna Winters. In the shabby black handbag was Anna's passport and visa, and the letter—

"To Whom It May Concern," "Had it not been for the terrible disfigurement, Mary Carroll would have cleared it all up at once. As it was, she was too mute, too stunned to know which way to turn."

She closed her eyes. Dear Anna—Anna who had been so tragic and so beautiful in the flame red dress.

Dr. Lenox went on, "As long as you're an English girl, you can stay right here in London."

Mary nodded. Yes, she would stay in London. Perhaps Vincent would be here and when she was well again she could go to him.

The doctor was standing up, signaling for a nurse. "I've pulled you through so far and I'm going to see you the rest of the way," he said. "Keep up your chin, Miss Winters, and don't say die. We'll lick this yet."

The nurse brought medicine. "Drink this and you'll feel better," she ordered briskly. Her crisp skirts rustled indignantly as she turned to Mrs. Tully, who had been the witless cause of the bedside drama.

Mary picked up Anna's handbag again and took out the letter. If she was supposed to be Anna Winters she must know at once what it said.

(To Be Continued)

ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



RED RYDER

By Fred Harman



Little Increase In Beef Prices Seen

EL PASO, Tex.—Little increase in beef prices for southwest livestock raisers as a result of any stimulus from the European war is seen by cattlemen here. They base their production on a belief that no large foreign outlet is likely to develop as a result of the conflict and that any price boost probably will help the cattle market only temporarily.

Cattle raisers said the only likelihood of a big demand from belligerent powers was the possibility that shipping from Argentina and Australian cattle centers might become hazardous. During the World War shipping difficulties caused United States exports to increase while shipments from Australia dropped, they pointed out.

The only effect the present European war will have on the price of southwest cattle probably will be a slightly increase the domestic demand for beef through expanded activity, they said.

RUPTURE

SHIELD EXPERT HERE H. M. SHEVYAN, widely known expert of Chicago, will personally be at the Connelley Hotel, Eastland, Saturday, only, January 6, from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. Mr. Shevyan says: The Zoster shield is a tremendous improvement over all former methods, effecting immediate results. It will not only hold the rupture perfectly but increase the circulation, strengthen the weakened parts, thereby closing the opening in ten days on the average case, regardless of heavy lifting, straining or any position the body may assume to create the strain or lesion. A nationally known scientific method. No under straps or cumbersome arrangements and absolutely no medicines or medical treatments. Mr. Shevyan will be glad to demonstrate without charge. Add. 641 N. RICHMOND ST., Chicago. Large Incisional Hernia or ruptures following surgical operation especially suited.

Federal Aid Plans for Texas Highways Is Worked Out

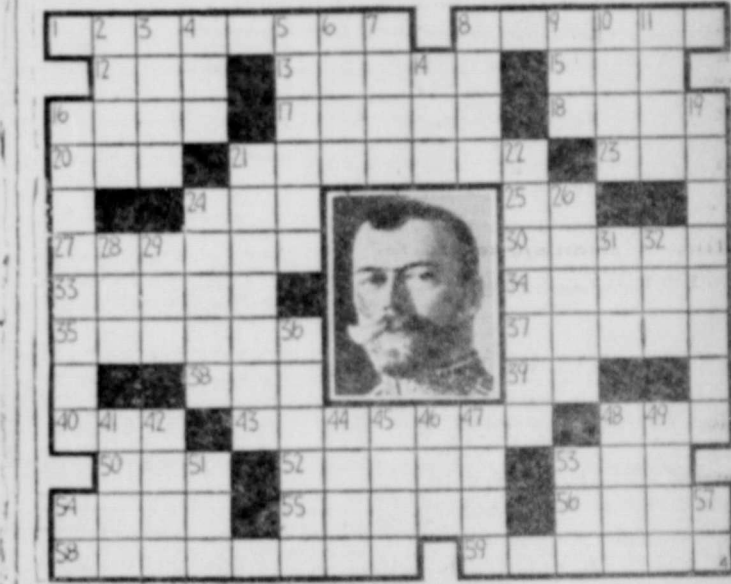
AUSTIN, Tex.—The 1940-41 Regular Federal Aid Program "Operations at cotton textile mills in Texas continued to expand, the amount of cotton consumed being the largest in several years. "The value of construction contracts awarded declined further to level sharply lower than in the corresponding month of 1938, and activity at cottonseed oil mills was much smaller than a month earlier or a year ago. "The outlook for the agricultural and livestock industries is being affected by the severe moisture deficiency in the major portion of the district," which was approved by the Highway Commission several days ago, includes 103 projects totaling 757 miles of improvement.

The total of the program, including state highway planning and roadside development, is \$11,247,000.00. The program as a whole will be submitted to the Public Roads Administration for approval, after which plans and specifications for individual projects must be submitted and approved before construction contracts can be let. Projects on this program must be on federal aid highways, and since the allotted federal funds do not become available until July 1, 1940, projects will be contracted subsequent to that date in a series of monthly lettings.

CAT TAUGHT TO BOX CLEVELAND, O.—Edmund H. Ruh, of suburban Lakewood, has a boxing cat—Mr. Buster—which he has trained to wear gloves, as its forepaws and box round after round with him. "The cat is a mild animal," Ruh said, "until the gloves are put on. Then it becomes a veteran boxer—and never retreats."

LAST CZAR

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Clues include: 1 The last Czar of Russia, 8 The Kremlin at Moscow, 12 Mine shaft hut, 13 Poetry muse, 15 Stir, 16 Bay horse, 17 Pertaining to the throat, 18 Gale, 20 Insect, 21 Germ cells, 23 Beverage, 24 Baglike part, 25 Exits, 27 Food closet, 30 Crooked tree, 32 Alliance, 34 Strong, 35 Writing pad, 37 Fungus disease, 38 Before, 39 Note in scale, 40 To doze, 43 Slabbers, 48 Sailor, 49 Quaver, 52 Roman official, 53 Mountain pass, 54 Card game, 55 Bark basket, 56 Exclamation, 58 He was an opening, 59 He had a disease, timid — or disposition, 2 Portrait statue, 3 Ulster, 4 Female fowl, 5 Bequest, 6 Cuckoo-pint, 7 Auction, 8 Tiny skin opening, 9 Legal rule, 10 Entrance, 11 Pine fruit, 14 To make lace, 16 His court favorite, 19 One of his — is rumored alive, 21 Gathers, 22 Correlative of brothers, 24 Robbed, 26 Game count, 28 Data, 29 Prong, 31 Carpet, 32 Since, 36 Badger, 41 Arabian, 42 Murmurs as a cat, 44 Tunnel, 45 Mean, 46 Measure of length, 47 Bridle strap, 48 Balsam, 49 Pertaining to wings, 51 Cow's call, 53 Pussay, 54 Musical note, 57 Compass point.



FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS



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YESTERDAY, Mary discovers her face has been paralyzed by the injury she suffered when the Moravia went down. Vincent falls to recognize her. Dr. Lenox, a nurse to quiet her, promises that surgery may relieve the condition. Lenox hears her name in a newspaper. "Miss Winters" and Mary realizes that she has been mistaken for the English girl. Anna probably died on the Moravia. She takes a letter from Anna's handbag.

CHAPTER X MARY CARROLL shuddered as she took out the letter, with Anna's passport inside it.

She felt as if she were trespassing when she unfolded the page and began to read the neat, carefully margined letter.

To Whom It May Concern: Today I made a last attempt to volunteer my services to England. There is no use in trying any longer. Doctors told me I have an incurable heart condition. I'm going to the States again where I can at least work and send money home to England to help my country at war.

I write this in full knowledge I may never reach the States. I have nothing to lose. My father, Private William Winters, was killed in France in the World War. My mother died in the epidemic, leaving me to be brought up in a home for war orphans. When my few affairs are settled here I shall say goodbye to my Bournemouth friends and come to London to await sailing. My only relative is my Uncle Douglas Winters whom I have never seen. He lives in Canada. I enclose his address and ask he be notified in case of accident.

Anna Winters. Slowly the letter loosened in Mary's hands. The tears she had held too overlong to shed, rolled down her twisted face.

WHEN Mary next opened her eyes, morning sun had pierced the London fog and was sitting like iridescent dust through the windows. A nurse stepped up to Mary's side.

"I'll bring you and bring you a wrapper," she said. "Then how about a sip of hot tea? Dr. Lenox gave orders you were to have a tray this morning. In another day or two, he's going to let you sit up. My, Miss Winters, he's certainly relieved that you're back in the land of the living again. Gilbert Lenox fights for his patients."

Unnoticing, Mary Carroll began to slip into the hospital routine. Finally she became accustomed to hearing herself called by Anna's name. Strength slowly returning to her, she accepted her fate with resignation.

Days passed and soon she was up, taking walks in the ward and

going to the sunporch. One by one, the refugees who'd survived the Moravia disaster, were being discharged. Mrs. Tully remained and, in her clumsy way, tried to be comforting.

It was she who was beside Mary the day the girl finally could put off no longer the task of facing herself squarely in the mirror. Resolutely, she drew her eyes to the glass.

"My, you must have had pretty hair," Mrs. Tully began to chatter nervously. "The gray in it is from the shock. It's a wonder we didn't all turn white-headed. I knew a woman once and she got white overnight from seeing her husband killed before her eyes."

Wearily, Mary brushed her hand over the once silky, corn-colored hair. It had turned darker and the gray stood out sharply.

There was nothing about her, except the eyes, to suggest the piquant face of only a few weeks ago. Gray-tinged skin, a twisted cheek, staring eyes.

"You could wear a veil," Mrs. Tully clapped her eyes briefly. "Yes, I can wear a veil," she stammered bitterly.

SHE felt a touch on her elbow. "Not too much at one time, young lady," Dr. Lenox was saying gravely. "Come out to the sundeck with me for a minute. It's clear enough today to see how London is redoubting its barricades."

In some way he had extricated her from Mrs. Tully and guided her to the deserted porch.

"See how they've hoisted a whole new floating fleet of balloons," he pointed out. "A. R. P. signs have sprouted in the park. Looks like there isn't a mid-London building that isn't knee-deep in sandbags now. It's pretty grim, isn't it?"

Mary shook her head in agreement. He went on, "I'm on air raid emergency duty. You feel it's pretty close when those warning sirens begin to howl."

She looked up quickly, words on her lips. This very young American doctor standing before her was the one who'd rescued her in an air raid that last night in the restaurant with Vincent.

Then her lips closed. Dr. Lenox would never connect that girl with the restaurant with the pitiful person standing before him.

"And blackouts," Dr. Lenox was saying. "I'll never get used to them. There's something frightening about a blackout." "Blackout! The word struck her sharply. She stared at Dr. Lenox and he seemed to sense her thought.

She began slowly, each syllable torn from her tortuously. "This

is blackout for me. I had everything to live for before this happened. I was in love—so very much in love. And now, this awful war has blacked me out, too. I'm ugly, I'm maimed. I don't want to see anyone or have anyone pitying me."

Averting her face, she felt Gilbert Lenox touch her shoulder gently. "You mustn't feel like that. I don't know much about love but if it's as glorious as it's supposed to be, nothing can change it. You must believe it. It's your life line. Have you been in touch with your sweetheart?"

"No, no," Mary cried. "Please no."

Gilbert Lenox led her to a notebook and his fountain pen. "Write me his name and address and let me explain what's happened to him."

He thrust the pen into her hand and opened the book to a blank sheet.

NEVER would she write Vincent's name or address. Never would she see him until she was herself again—freed from the blackout that held her prisoner.

Her hand with the pen in it began to move. Instead of writing, she made a few tentative lines. London in park. London with Hyde Park dotted with A. R. P. signs and buses rolling on almost traffic-free streets. The pen moved jerkily at first and then more freely.

Not since art school days had Mary Carroll tried anything except fashion sketches. It gave her a funny, choked feeling to see this fragmentary skyline sketch.

Dr. Lenox was patting her shoulder encouragingly. "You're a swell kid and we're going to get you well, Anna Winters."

Anna Winters. She was now Anna Winters. She must act as Anna Winters and be Anna until the day lifted. It would harm no one and it would give her the chance to remain as a British subject in London until the day when the terrible disfigurement was gone and she was reunited with Vincent.

"I've already talked to Dr. O'Connell, London's most famous plastic surgeon," Dr. Lenox said. "He's at the front now but when he comes back, I'm going to have him look at you. And now here's some good news. You've had enough hospital for awhile. You're so much better and stronger that it's going to do you good to get out of here and be with your own friends and people. Suppose we make this your last day here?"

(To Be Continued)

A WANT AD IN THIS PAPER WILL BRING QUICK RESULTS!

# Society Notes

## Dorcas Class to Have Monthly Social Thursday

The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church will hold its monthly social Thursday afternoon at 2:30 in the home of Mrs. McElvain on Cypress Street.

## 1920 Study Club To Have Study of City Government

The 1920 Club will meet Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the blue room of the Gibson hotel for a scheduled meeting at which time a study of the City government will be conducted.

Mrs. E. H. Hodges will be leader for the afternoon.

# Society Personal

Mrs. Brunn Garner left Tuesday for Lubbock where she was called because of the serious illness of her father, Alec Kohn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rawland and daughters, Betty Lou and Marianne, have returned to their home in Cleburne after spending the week-end with Mrs. Blanche Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Outlaw are visiting in Fort Worth.

Miss Marjoe Chastain, in company with her father, Garvin D. Chastain, left this morning for Denton to resume her studies at T.S.C.W.

Scott Glenn and daughter, Miss Patti Glenn, who were here to at-

tend funeral services of Dr. T. L. Lauderdale, left this morning for their home in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Among those here to attend funeral services for Dr. T. L. Lauderdale, Tuesday were: Dr. and Mrs. Truman Terrell of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. LeCompte of Aledo; Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Holland of Denton; Mrs. C. O. Terrell of Fort Worth; Charlie Mason of Fort Worth; Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Duffer of Brownwood; Dr. Porter Brown of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Newberry of Fort Worth; Mrs. Harriet Kerr; Miss Florence Kerr of Fort Worth; Dr. Tom Baker of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Pulley of Moran; Dr. and Mrs. Paul Pedigo of Strawn; and Dr. R. L. Williams of Mineral Wells.

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## Rotarians Hear A Talk On Rumania By Cecil Alworth

D. Joseph had charge of the Rotary Club program today and presented Cecil Alworth, who has recently returned from Rumania, where he worked in the oil fields for some time.

Alworth gave a talk on Rumania, the country, the conditions as found there and the possibility of war.

Visitors at the meeting were B. A. Butler and R. N. Cluck of Cisco; Miss Opal Pillans, NYA enrollee from Cross Plains.

Other out-of-town visitors included H. Ray Roberts, Marshall; Charles W. Turbyfill, San Augustine; Davis McKenzie, Lufkin; W. C. Rogge, Marshall; John W. Smith, Clarksville; M. J. Rattam, Clarksville; Frank Coons, Texarkana; Johnnie Priest, Marshall; H. J. Greaser, Marshall; H. A. Ziegler, Fort Worth, and W. B. Watkins, Fort Worth.

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## Political Announcements

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## Double Barrelled Drama



Charles Laughton is prepared to shoot in this tense scene from the picturization of Daphne du Maurier's story, "Jamaica Inn," which comes today at the Arcadia Theatre.

## Five Fire Stations In Connecticut Are Guarding Forests

HARTFORD, Conn.—Five especially constructed stations in selected districts of the state warn

of the dangers of forest fires in Connecticut and provide a daily schedule of the seriousness of conditions. The stations record the inflammability of the forest floor, and the speed and direction of the wind.

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## Greet the New Year With a Delicious TURKEY DINNER



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To All Stockholders of The First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ranger.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ranger, will be held at the Paramount Hotel (in the form of a free breakfast), on the 12th day of January, 1940, at 7:00 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing Directors and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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## TRY A WANT AD—IT ALWAYS PAYS!

Any faculty member caught smoking on the campus of a midwestern school, is liable "to be tossed into the river by students. Professors can always sneak behind the barns at the agricultural schools.

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### 6—LODGE NOTICES

Stated meeting Ranger Masonic Lodge Thursday evening at 7:30. Examination in all degrees. This being the first meeting of the New Year all members are urged to attend.  
D. L. JAMESON, Sec.  
E. H. WEST, W. M.

### 1—LOST, STRAYED, STOLEN

LOST—Black Scottie, answers to "Sandy". Call 228-J. Reward.

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I resolve to read my newspaper with my mental eyes open . . .

I resolve to read, not merely the headlines, but the full story behind them. Only in this way can I be sure to obtain complete, objective information about the changing world I have in and am a part of.

I resolve to read the editorials, which interpret the news and give a reasoned basis for thought about it. In this way I can create an attitude about life in my own country, and abroad, which may develop into a philosophy.

I resolve to read the advertisements, which—as faithfully as the headlines—announce worthwhile new developments in the world of industry, of transportation and of commerce . . . In this way I can add to my fund of useful knowledge; learn to discriminate between the good and the seeming good; and, by purchasing only what is advertised, I can provide for myself and my family, thriftily, safely and pleasantly.