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VOLUME VIII.

Old Home Town

Many Cisco merchants will participate tonight in a pie supper being held at the Pleasant Hill church for the benefit of the school there. The Blue Bonnet Trio of Cisco will furnish music for the occasion, while many others from here are expected to attend the event.

BANDITS GET \$2,000 FROM DALLAS CO.

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—Two bandits held up and robbed the Fidelity investment company in the business section this morning, escaping with \$2,000. Alvin Parker, the manager, was alone, opening up the business for the day when the men entered and locked him in a vault.

NEDERLAND VISITED BY THIRTY THOUSAND FIRE

NEDERLAND, Dec. 23.—The thirty thousand dollar fire here this morning damaged several buildings and threatened for a time the entire town. Aid from the Port Arthur fire apparatus prevented a spread of the conflagration.

THE GREAT WAR TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

DEC. 23, 1927
Russia's terms of permanent peace with Germany call for restoration of political independence to all nations deprived of such independence by the fortunes of war; and no compulsory annexation.
The kaiser considers attending the Brest-Litovsk conference.

Nine Shot Down As Cisco Bank Robbed

GOODFELLOW FUND GROWS HERE TODAY

owned concern—The ry is owned by home on outside of Cisco th of its stock.

to all our customers a Merry Christmas Year. We are going e you well and give in Cisco.

a Few:

NEW MODEL CHEVROLET BE PUT OUT JANUARY 1
DETROIT, Dec. 23.—The new model Chevrolet car will be on the market January 1. President W. S. Kaulsen, of the Chevrolet Motor Co., has just announced. "The new car will be one of the most spectacular low priced automobiles of all time," he said.

One of Four Bandits May Die; George Carmichael Believed to be Fatally Wounded; Bedford Shot

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MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY

For comfort's sake any kind of clothes would do,
Be they floursack, horsehide, many, or a few.
But since Adam and Eve left the garden for sin
'Til man no longer thinks himself well dressed
Unless his suit be cleaned and neatly pressed.

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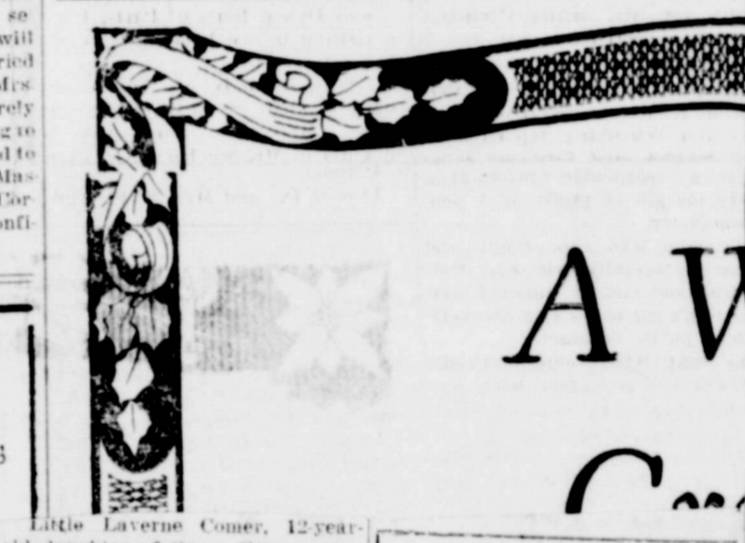
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Lumbermen.



Little Laverne Comer, 12-year-old daughter of Oscar Comer, owner of the Manhattan Cafe, took up the story where Olson left off. She said she had gone to the bank to see how much money she had in her name with which to buy Christmas presents. She started out, but when told she would have to write a check she came back in the bank and started to write the check. Santa Claus then held a gun on her and her companion, Emma May Robinson, 10, daughter of Mrs. Mickey Stewart, wife of a Cisco police officer. They were told to go to the back of the bank and out the back side door leading into the alley.

Meanwhile, however, the shooting began and the girls were told to lie down on the floor. Later they were led to the car and but inside to act as a shield to prevent citizens from firing at the car. Then they left.

"When we got to Fourteenth and Main, the robbers stopped because of a flat tire and held up and took possession of an Oldsmobile car," she said. "Some of them had gotten into the car and the money had been transferred, when other men came up and started shooting. The bandits got back into the car, taking us with them. One of the men was shot, and they just threw him out of the car into the street. They took us out in the country and finally stopped the car. They told us to lie down in the seat of the car and not move or make a sound or they would kill us. One of the men asked the others if they had brought all the money, and one said part of it was left in the other car. However, they still had lots of money left in a tow sack, and it was so heavy I had to help one of them lift it out of the car. Both of us girls lay down in the car and stayed there while the bandits went away. We did not see which way they went. The door of the car was left open and later when Charles Nossick and "Daddy" Keyes came up on the car they started to shoot, seeing our hands, but we cried out and they did not hurt us. They brought us to town."

Alex Spears, cashier of the First National bank, told the writer that he, Oscar Cliett and Marion Olson were seated in his private office when one of the bandits dressed as Santa Claus, approached him and he said to the masked Santa: "Hello, Santa Claus," but he failed to respond, and repeated his salutation, and the time he spoke. About this time, Mr. Spears stated, two others threw their guns down on him and his companions, and commanded them to hold up their hands. At the same time others went to the rear and held up the employees, and forced Jewell Poe to open one of the screw bezel safes, from which the robber scooped up what money was in sight, overlooking a large sum that was in other containers in this safe. There are two screw bezel safes in the vault, but one, which contained the larger sum of money, was on a time lock and could not be opened. Mr. Spears said about this time the bandits began firing from the inside, and when the smoke of battle cleared away he found he was wounded in the jaw, but did not know when he received the wound or who fired the shot. George P. Fee, assistant cashier, who was at lunch at the time, stated that the bandits made no attempt to get the money in the cash drawer at the paying teller's window, where there was about \$5,000.

Hickman Sticks to Story That He Only Kidnapped Girl; "Religion Too Late Now," He Tells Minister

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 23.—Edward Hickman stuck doggedly to denial of the killing of Marian Parker today. He tells his story of the kidnapping of Marion Parker with an air of indifference. L. R. Connor, guard over Hickman during the night, said the youth seemed worried over religion and publicity.

Hickman seemed irritated because the newspapers were giving him as much publicity as they did Laeb and Leopold, the two other arch fiends.
A minister visited Hickman last night, but the murderer rejected him, saying: "I don't need religion now. I would feel like a hypocrite by turning religious just before I die."

TWO COMPANIONS OF HICKMAN STILL HELD.
PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 23.—Bill and Jack Merrill, of Garfield, Washington, are in jail here for no reason except they accepted a ride with Hickman. The two brothers rode here with Hickman in a green Hudson sedan.

THREE WILL SPLIT HUGE REWARD FUND.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—Re-

BANK REGAINS ALL OF CASH NOW BELIEVED

A check up of the money recovered from the car which the bank bandits attempted to hold up and commandeer in front of the J. R. Burnett residence, 1505 D avenue, showed a total of \$12,290 was taken by the bandits. A large amount of non-negotiable commercial paper was also recovered, along with travelers checks and other valuable papers. The money was found in a gunny sack, marked "Idaho Potatoes."

George P. Fee, assistant cashier of the bank, said that so far as the check up at that time revealed, these were all the valuables taken. Two stacks of bills totaling \$100 each were left in the safe.
Mr. Spears said that the man who held him up carried two automatic pistols, while the one who stayed at the front door carried a .45. A pistol kept near the cashier's till was taken by the bandits, but they did not bother the till where several thousands of dollars in small denominations were in a drawer. One of those who worked in the back had two pistols, while the other kept his hands in his pockets, but the impression of his guns could be seen.

At the hospital Friday afternoon, the wounded bandit was heard to murmur the name "Davis." Someone else said he thought his name was Adams, while a third declared he was positive he was Asa Pendleton, noted Oklahoma bank robber, who he had seen when the bandit was facing a hearing in court at Martin a short time ago.

wards totaling fifty thousand dollars offered for the arrest of Edward Hickman will be divided three ways between George Wiloughby, clothing clerk, and the two Oregon officers who arrested him. The radio fund total is unknown.

AIRPLANE LEAVES TO BRING HICKMAN BACK.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—Detectives left by airplane for Pendleton this morning to get Hickman. All plans are being kept secret for fear of mob violence when the murderer is returned here.

With the arrest of Hickman, Los Angeles is again assuming natural life, which was temporarily halted when announcement was made of the brutal murder of Marian Parker. Department stores reported Christmas shopping resumed and anxious mothers breathed a sigh of relief with the arrest of the fiend and have relaxed vigilance over their children. The crowd of curious people hanging about the Parker home has diminished.

ELDER HICKMAN SOBS IN EL PASO SHOP.

EL PASO, Dec. 23.—Thomas Hickman, about 50 years old, father of William E. Hickman, suspected slayer of Marian Parker, was discovered working in a railroad shop here today. Hickman broke down and wept when he admitted to reporters for the El Paso Herald that he was the father of the youth sought as the slayer. Hickman had been in El Paso a year.

Hickman sobbed as he told how he saw his son for the last time in Kansas City in October, 1923. Hickman then was working in grocery store. He denied his son was abnormal in any way.
"When newspapers carried a story that his son was sought by the police of the entire country, he the slayer of the Parker girl, Hickman told his co-workers of the relationship."

A QUIET CHRISTMAS IS PLANNED FOR LINDBERGH'S MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—The Lindberghs, mother and son, together today are planning a quiet Christmas. There is no official program.

Casualty List
Market
7-376

Building Activity Follows Erection of Modern Hotels In Four West Texas Cities

A matter of vital importance to every person in Cisco was the closing of the contract for the new hotel for Cisco by the directors of the chamber of commerce at the regular monthly meeting Tuesday night when that body voted unanimously to close the contract with W. C. Witte and associates for the erection of this seven story hotel.

The building of modern hotels in Albany, Breckenridge, Eastland and Abilene has demonstrated that it stimulates building in all lines, not only in the business districts, but in the residential sections as well. Already many new buildings have been erected and started in those cities mentioned, and especially is this noticeable on the streets leading to the hotels. Cisco will hardly be an exception when the new hotel is completed, it is asserted.

The subscription to the hotel fund is shy a small amount, but this will be raised right away, the directors of the chamber of commerce feel assured. To raise this small deficiency, and to collect in the money already subscribed, the directors appointed the following committee at Tuesday night's meeting: P. W. Campbell, A. D. Anderson, W. W. Wallace, Guy Dabney, F. E. Harrell, J. T. Elliott, J. M. Williamson, A. B. O'Flaherty, R. L. Poe and C. O. Pass.

The following eighteen names of Cisco citizens were certified to the city commission from which six directors will be elected:
R. Q. Lee, Guy Dabney, H. S. Drumwright, Dr. Charles Hale, J. A. Bearman, Dr. T. T. Roberts, H. I. Stock, Alex Spears, E. S. Wilkinson, William Reagan, L. J. Preston, C. O. Pass, Leon Maner, Dr. F. E. Clark, A. I. Skiles, Wade Johnston, W. J. Armstrong and John Shertzer.

Action as to a winter poultry show in Cisco was postponed till the next regular meeting.
It was voted to give full cooperation to the promotion of the Petroleum highway from Tulsa via Cisco to Presidio.
In acknowledging the cooperation of Cisco in sending P. G. Berry and float advertising the Williamson dam at the Brady Turkey Trot parade November 11, Secretary Peters read a letter from Carl A. Blasig, secretary of the Brady chamber of commerce, in which the writer expressed his appreciation of Cisco's cooperation, and stated that "Mr. Berry, Cisco's representative, was right on the grounds and got away fine with his first speech. Next year we intend to put this turkey trot on in better style, and shall be glad to have Cisco's cooperation again."

Those present at the meeting Tuesday night were A. D. Anderson, P. W. Campbell, J. T. Elliott, Guy Dabney, Dr. Charles Hale, F. E. Harrell, A. B. O'Flaherty, R. L. Poe, W. W. Wallace, L. A. Warren, J. E. T. Peters, W. C. Witte of Dallas, Dr. T. T. Roberts, B. S. Huey, J. M. Williamson, H. I. Stock and A. H. Varnell.

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TODAY'S PRAYER

Our Father, we know not what a day may bring forth, but our help is in Thee. We thank Thee for Thy promised watchfulness. And so we pray for a faith that will send us forth trusting ourselves to Him who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

CONFUSED STANDARDS

Have Americans no standards of values, no independent judgment, no genuine appreciation? This question was raised at a party after several people present had listened to a beautiful, well presented and well sung opera in which none of the most popular—at the box office—stars performed. Some of the group had been disappointed by that fact. One said: "But the voices were lovely and the singing fine. What do the names of the singers matter?" About that time there appeared in a newspaper a letter from a cultured French woman, part of which follows: "You are of a race which is by far the most extensively dressed in the world. American women I shall always remember for their moneyed attire, surroundings and high rate of cleverness. The only pity is they spend so much money that things assume the role of dollars and cents. Even some very intelligent American men admitted that they felt much more comfortable and correct in a suit which had cost \$125 than in one priced at \$50. In bargain hunting I found your women not looking for the best bargain, but the highest priced articles marked down. Take those lovely American rayons I saw my own countryman, Paul Pointet, using on his tour. I heard they were less costly than some other materials, and one of my rich friends said that was the only reason she hadn't bought them!"

Storekeepers sometimes say that a high priced article sells better than a low-priced one regardless of respective values. The shopper perhaps doesn't know the real quality of either article and so lets price dictate the choice, assuming that the costlier one must be better. In its reading, in recent years, the general public is guided by the words of the fashionable book reviewers. It has very little discrimination or book sense of its own. But why bewail all these distressing facts? There are undoubtedly more cultured days ahead. Many signs point that way.

PUNISHMENT FOR PERJURY

The Baumes Crime commission, which has been studying the growth of perjury in the courts of New York state, will recommend a tightening up of the laws in that regard. Punishment for perjury is to be made "more certain and more severe." This proposal follows the discovery that perjury apparently is committed in most lawsuits. One New York magistrate declares his belief that it is found in 90 per cent of criminal cases, on one side or the other. Another jurist declares it to be "one of the most common crimes committed in this jurisdiction." It need not be assumed that the situation is worse in New York state than anywhere else. All over the country jurists are calling attention to the appalling spread of this evil. If there is a "jury problem," there is just as certainly a "perjury problem," in every state in the Union. The oath seems to rest more lightly on men's and women's consciences nowadays. People swear easily to falsehoods in their own interest, and still more easily, perhaps, in the interest of friends. It is often regarded as a praiseworthy proof of fraternal loyalty or good fellowship. This conception of solemn lying in the court room must be changed, if the sanctity and usefulness of American courts is to be preserved. Religion would probably help more than anything else. Lacking that, any state conscious of the need of reform may accomplish something by making more stringent laws, or at least enforcing those in existence. In many a community, riddled with perjury, it is years since there has been a conviction on that

CENSORSHIP

in censorship, propounded by newspaper. Commenting on an excellent prize fight in all over the country, the any of the members of the mission can explain why it lay is permitted to have as this and a hundred other d yet it means a raided sey-Tunney go? That, you i much quieter bout—save tan "One Round Hogan" is y here, but I am unable to vith "One Round Hogan." reason in the world why it

should be barred. On the other hand, what are the reasons for barring a prize fight picture? There may have been reasons at one time, but do they still stand?" We don't know the answer to this one, or to several other puzzles which might be propounded about censorship in general and movie censorship in particular.

What with official and unofficial ambassadors, Mexico will soon be one of our best friends.

MEN OF THE WORLD

"The scholar," remarks a distinguished college president, "is your true man of the world. No longer is he a cloistered soul, spending his life with books and plodding along with a few lonely pupils. He is a man sought after. His face is seen and his voice is heard everywhere." Sure enough, we do see a good many scholars nowadays. Only we don't call them that. We call them "experts" and "specialists," and pay them as high honors as were paid to the cloistered highbrows of medieval times whose learning showed all the brighter because most of those who paid them homage were unable to read or write. We have scholars in industry, scholars in business and scholars in politics. The scholar is truly a man of the world, too, in another sense. Even though he may not mingle freely with men and affairs, his range of intellectual interests puts him in touch with all mankind in a way that is usually denied to the man of action who lacks education.

Next time a war is threatened in Europe, v might send Will Rogers over and let 'em laff it off.

Human Interest Editorials

used to make, but is equal to 50 times as much as the original. It is the most perfect of all fruits, and is the only one that is not at all, it is just the pebble

tain's daughters of Fort Worth will be here this week end to spend the Christmas holidays.

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WOMEN—Earn \$16 dozen sewing dresses. Experience unnecessary; opportunity beginners. Steady work; materials cut. Stamped addressed envelope brings details. Goshen-Dress, Goshen, N. Y. 219

Classified Ads BUYING OR SELLING THEY GET RESULTS

For Rent—Houses

FOR RENT—Four room cottage on Eastland highway; gas, lights and water; 1 1/2 acres of ground. See Dr. Meiss, Garner building, 223

FOR RENT—Five room house, 300 West Eighteenth street. Inquire McClelland Grocery, or phone 42. 24-224

FOR RENT—Small house, furnished. Cisco Hotel, East Sixth street. 223

For Sale

FARM FOR RENT—Near Cisco. Inquire this office. 24

FOR SALE—General merchandise and grocery store; one-half cash; balance on terms or trade. M. H. White, Romney, Texas. 23-228

FOR SALE—Four hundred ten-months old English White Leghorn pullets. M. L. Hill Poultry Farm or Boone's Feed store, Cisco. 24-223

FOR SALE—A few choice poinsettias and pot plants. Phone 2063. 221-f

FOR SALE—House, disc harrow, gang plow, and single disc, in good shape. See Lee Locke, 24-224

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FOR RENT—Furnished apartment. Call at 601 West Ninth street. 215-f

FOR RENT—Three room furnished apartment; adjoining bath; garage. Mrs. W. L. Harrell, 500 West Second street. Phone 425. 218-f

FOR RENT—Furnished 2-room apartment, 506 West Second street. Phone 484-W. 218-24

FOR RENT—Two room furnished apartment with garage, 1107 West Ninth street. Phone 503-L. 222

FOR RENT—Three room apartment, everything furnished, at 102 West Fourteenth street. 227

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 506 West Nineteenth street or call 591-L. 225

LOST

LOST—Two 32-620 Firestone tires with spare carrier. Notify W. C. Mee, Phone 2882 Abilene, Texas. 24-224

For Rent

FOR RENT—Front bedroom and furnished apartment, 701 West Ninth street. Phone 250. 24-224

Wanted

WANTED—Cheap Ford coupe at a bargain. Phone 273. 24-223

WANTED—Lady to work in lunch stand; hamburger and sandwich experience preferred. Phone 274. 24-223

WANTED—Key fitting, graphophone and gun repairing. Fixit Shop at W. E. Crawford's Furniture Co. 190-f

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Lions club meets every Wednesday at Garner hall at 12:15. K. H. PITTAED, President. Clayton L. Orn, Secretary.

Cisco Lodge No. 656, A. F. & A. M., meets fourth Thursday, 8 p. m. FRED T. GRIST, W. M.; JOHN F. PATTERSON, Secretary.

Cisco Chapter No. 190, B. A. M., meets on first Thursday evening of each month at 7 p. m. Visiting Companions are cordially invited. J. W. RIDGEWAY, H. P.; JOHN F. PATTERSON, Secretary.

Cisco Commandry, K. T., meets every third Thursday of each month at Masonic hall. W. B. STATHAM, E. C. JOHN F. PATTERSON, Recorder.

Cisco Chapter No. 461, Order of Eastern Stars, meets first and third Tuesday nights of each month. Visiting members cordially invited. GERALDINE BRECHEN, W. M.; J. M. WITTEN, Secretary.

Cisco Lodge, B. P. O. B. No. 1878, meets every Monday at 8 p. m., corner Fifth street and E avenue. Visiting Elks cordially invited. B. S. HUEY, Exalted Ruler. CHARLES FLEMING, Sec.

Cisco Lodge No. 190, Knights of Pythias, meets each Friday evening, Olson building, 907 D avenue. Visiting members welcome. J. E. SPOON, S. G.

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- Coffee, 1 lb. can of either brand...49c
- Uncle Sam's Special Peaberry, lb...35c
- Peas, Silver Bar, No. 2 can.....15c
- Brooms, good quality40c
- California Peaches, No. 2 1-2 can...21c
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Barrel Head Grocery

UNCLE SAM WILKINS, Mgr.

MISS SPEAR HEADS BETTER HOMES DRIVE

Miss Beniah Spear has been appointed by Secretary Hoover as chairman of a committee to conduct a Better Homes Campaign in Eastland county. Mr. Hoover is president of Better Homes in America, an organization which each year sponsors a nationwide educational campaign for better homes. The organization maintains headquarters in Washington, D. C., with James Ford in charge as executive director.

Better homes in America was established to provide local communities with information as to ways of improving housing conditions and home life, the work being carried on in communities through volunteer committees of local citizens. The campaign is sponsored locally by such organizations as parent-teacher associations, women's clubs, civil associations and others having an interest in home improvement.

A man or woman who is active in civic affairs is appointed in each community to serve as chairman of the Better Homes committee for that place. This chairman then selects a committee of representative men and women to conduct the campaign. These campaigns vary according to the size and condition of the community, and include programs of lectures, demonstrations and contests. Wherever possible a house is planned and built, according to best recognized standards of building and architecture, to show how a well designed, well constructed house can be brought within reach of families of moderate means. The house is furnished attractively and comfortably, but at a cost in keeping with the cost of the house and the income and needs of a family that might occupy it. The house is opened to the public during Better Homes Week, and hostesses are on hand to explain the features of the house and its furnishings and give other information.

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NEW YEAR'S MEANS LITTLE IN STATE JOB

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—New Year will mean little to state departments and officials, all state business being run on a fiscal year dating from September 1 to September 1.

On January 1, however, the term of one state official will expire—Dr. H. H. Harrington, chairman of the state board of control. Governor Moody has given no public indication of whether he will make the appointment at that time.

J. M. Patillo has been continued as a member of the State Industrial Accident Board although his term expired in September.

The term of G. N. Holton as a member of the State Insurance commission will expire February first.

CHILDRESS, Tex., Dec. 23.—When Sheriff Crompton of Childress and a federal officer arrived at a farm house near here to serve a prohibition violation warrant they found the building in flames. Remains of a 200-gallon still and several barrels of mash were found in the charred debris.

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For comfort's sake any kind of clothes would do,
Be they floursack, horsehide, many, or few.
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"Til man no longer thinks himself well dressed
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1928 Jinx Year With Three Friday 13th

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Nineteen twenty eight will be a jinx year with three Friday 13ths. These "unlucky days" will be January, April and July. The new calendars show that most of the holidays will occur in mid-week. It being a leap year, Christmas will skip Monday and fall on Tuesday. Washington's birthday will be on Wednesday.

Texas Independence Day on Friday; Easter on April 8; San Jacinto Day on Saturday; Memorial Day on Wednesday; July 4 on Wednesday; Labor day on September 3; Columbus Day on Friday and Thanksgiving Day on the 29th.

The state democratic primary election will be on July 28.

He Takes Car And Let's Friend Walk

MARSHALL, Dec. 23.—Leaving word that his "friend" can walk back, H. H. Kirkpatrick has gone back to Oklahoma City with his automobile stolen from him there several days ago. Kirkpatrick told police that he stored his car in the friend's garage but one

morning found both machine and the friend gone. A girl told Kirkpatrick she thought the friend had gone to Marshall in the car. Alighting from the train here Kirkpatrick spied his automobile parked in front of the post office and promptly took charge.

Holidays Mean But Little To These 3 Students at Dallas

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—Too far away from home to make the trip three lone students will spend the Christmas holidays cooking their own meals in the boy's dormitory at Southern Methodist university. The three students, Tadeo Alrua, T. Yamamoto of Japan and P. K. Yu, Korea, live too far from Dallas to make the journey and return in the two weeks holiday allowed by the university. Not a girl student will remain on the campus.

Boneheads to Give Prize to Sufferers

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—An election will be held within the next few

weeks by the Bonehead club, Mother Council of the World here, to determine which of its members is suffering most seriously from the disease "publicity."

"Publicityitis" (correct) is defined as a disease which causes persons to desire to see their name and picture in print as often as possible.

Prize of a second hand dictaphone, a second hand miniature printing outfit and a kodak is offered the winner of the election.

Argument on Fish Tax Is Scheduled

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Argument will be presented before the United States supreme court on January

16 to determine whether Texas can collect a tax of \$1 a thousand pounds on fish caught in the Gulf of Mexico but marketed from the plants of the Texas shore. Most of the fish in the wholesale industry come from beyond the territorial limit of the state. They are brought to the shore plants, inspected and shipped from there. Oyster reefs generally are within state waters.



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BEWARE OF MARRIED MEN BY ARLINE DE HAAS



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SYNOPSIS

Myra Martin, private secretary to Leonard Gilbert, one of the most prominent divorce lawyers in Los Angeles, is engaged to marry her employer. Through her work in her fiancé's office she has come in contact with many divorcing couples, and finds that most of the men, divorced or not, attempt a flirtation with her. This situation, when viewed by her, is a constant reminder of the possibility of marriage—her own included. Suppose after she marries she should find her husband no better than the others.

CHAPTER I—Continued

Myra's reveries were again interrupted as the door burst open to admit a whirlwind of bright, golden loveliness that couldn't have registered a day over seventeen if it had tried. "Hello, Sis!" Helene Martin threw her arms rapturously about her sister's neck as though she hadn't seen her in years. "Hello, darling!" Myra smiled at the fluffy, pink-checked, red-lipped child. "When did you get up?" "O-o-o, just a little while ago. I came in town to have lunch with Ralph." The fluffy child wriggled about with nervous energy and finally, after ransacking all the papers to flutter about in sheer exuberance, deposited herself on the edge of her sister's desk, swinging long, slim legs encased in the sheers of silk stockings. "When are you going to meet Jim?" Myra questioned. "O, in about half an hour. It was so lovely out I had to do something, so I decided I'd come in early and see you." She gazed at



her older sister with a smile that revealed a solitary dimple and something of a puppy's love for its master. Myra looked at the graceful figure before her and smiled happily. There was an intense bond of sympathy between these two sisters, so unlike and yet so like. Myra, looking out at the world with her deep, serious, gray eyes, seemed far removed from the vividly colorful figure there. But a closer survey would have revealed the same determined chin on both, the same even features, and the same quality of beauty. Myra, order, more reserved, and more settled than this flustering, sophisticated child, loved her with all the tenderness of a mother, and in turn Helene gave her sister an intense devotion and an admiration that was almost akin to hero-worship. "How's Leonard?" Helene questioned. "Are we going to make up a foursome tonight? I want to go to that new night club to dance. It's Saturday, you know. I'll drag Ralph—I've got a date with him anyway tonight. Do you think Leonard will go?" He said he would the other night. "I suppose so," Myra returned languidly. "What's the matter, Sis? You look sort of fed up with the world. Haven't someone done right by our Nell?" Helene laughed. "O, I don't know. Just a little tired, more than anything, I guess. And more than a little tired listening to these divorce checks making a play for my sympathy—and my telephone number." "Such popularity must be deserved!" Helene quoted mischievously. "No, seriously," Myra began, but stopped as the door opened. Both girls looked up. "Why, good morning, Mr. Sheldon," Myra nodded. She turned to find Helene gazing appreciatively on the fascinating beau brummel

OLDEST GRAD CELEBRATES 100TH YEAR

DELAWARE, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Dr. Samuel W. Williams, Wyoming, oldest living alumnus of Ohio Wesleyan university who recently celebrated his 100th birthday, is believed to be the oldest college graduate in the United States. The 1927 holiday liquor is mostly "moonshine" or mixtures with a pure or rectified industrial alcohol base. Such smuggled liquor as has come into the country has been "cut" until it is hardly recognizable, it was stated. Assistant Secretary of Treasury Lawson told the United Press that dry administrators had not been given special orders to tighten up enforcement work during the holidays. He said the prohibition organization would continue its activities just as if there were no special season. One official said dry law enforcement work cannot be speeded up more as the government is now operating right to the margin of its \$12,000,000 prohibition appropriation. Government chemists claimed that most Christmas liquor is bad or dangerous, though little is actually poisonous. Prohibition Commissioner Doran said there would undoubtedly be some deaths from liquor this Christmas but that it would not be caused by poisonous denaturants in commercial alcohol. The government has virtually removed all poison from industrial alcohol, and that which the bootleggers use most contains alcohol which can be detected by taste and smell, he said. "Christmas liquor deaths are generally due to alcoholism from over drinking."

JUDGE RULES NO NEW TRIAL FOR McBRIDE

BRECKENRIDGE, Dec. 23.—A motion for a new trial filed by C. R. McBride, under sentence of 45 years in the state penitentiary on a charge of murder in connection with the fatal shooting on Thanksgiving day of John Glenn here, was overruled by Judge C. O. Hamlin of the 90th district court following the argument of the motion yesterday afternoon. The defense based its contention for a new trial principally upon two assignments of error. In the first of these it was contended by the defendant that he had been forced to accept an objectionable juror after having exhausted his peremptory challenges. The defense maintained that the juror was prejudiced against the defendant. This point was sharply argued by both the defense and the prosecution. The second point raised by the defense was in connection with the defendant's right to make a statement of the nature of his defense to the jury at the conclusion of the state's case. This point was also hotly contested. In addition to these assignments the defense assigned as error, also, the failure of the court, it was claimed, to charge on the affirmative defense of the defendant. In another assignment the defendant raised the question of the legality of the introduction of the bloody shirt of the deceased as evidence in the trial. The principal arguments for the defense were made by Attorneys Shurtleff and Saunders. For the state Sam Sears presented the greater part of the argument. The court overruled the defense motion and the defendant promptly gave notice of appeal to the court of criminal appeals at Austin. No bond is allowed in this case since the defendant was assessed 45 years confinement a penalty, the statutes denying bail on appeal in cases where defendant is given 15 years or more.

NEW INVENTION SAVES RUSSIANS MILLIONS.

MOSCOW, Dec. 23.—Four million roubles economy on heels only are the prospects of the Soviet shoe-making industry thanks to the invention of a tanning workman, Alexander Shrinz, who discovered a method of utilizing all leather chips and working them over into artificial leather usable for heels, quarters and soles. The Moscow leather trust "Moskol" is to build a new factory where this artificial leather will be made. "Miss Martia," Helene supplied. "Thank you—Miss Martia." Sheldon gravely picked up the girl's hand and kissed it. (To be continued.)

HESITATION WALTZ IS DANCE AT LOCARNO

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Hesitation waltzes featured a dance in the Locarno Room of the Foreign office, where the German delegates signed the Locarno Pact, given by Lady Chamberlain, wife of the British foreign minister. The Charleston and the Black Bottom were conspicuously absent from the program. A Daily News want ad will rent that room for you.

"CHEER" MADE FOR CHRISTMAS IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—America's Christmas "cheer" this season will be a strictly bootleg product "made in America," with no pure smuggled or pre-Volstead rum on the market, federal prohibition officials claimed today. The 1927 holiday liquor is mostly "moonshine" or mixtures with a pure or rectified industrial alcohol base. Such smuggled liquor as has come into the country has been "cut" until it is hardly recognizable, it was stated. Assistant Secretary of Treasury Lawson told the United Press that dry administrators had not been given special orders to tighten up enforcement work during the holidays. He said the prohibition organization would continue its activities just as if there were no special season. One official said dry law enforcement work cannot be speeded up more as the government is now operating right to the margin of its \$12,000,000 prohibition appropriation. Government chemists claimed that most Christmas liquor is bad or dangerous, though little is actually poisonous. Prohibition Commissioner Doran said there would undoubtedly be some deaths from liquor this Christmas but that it would not be caused by poisonous denaturants in commercial alcohol. The government has virtually removed all poison from industrial alcohol, and that which the bootleggers use most contains alcohol which can be detected by taste and smell, he said. "Christmas liquor deaths are generally due to alcoholism from over drinking."

Rough Detours to Be Banned by New Bill

FORT WORTH, Dec. 23.—Long and unsatisfactory detours in Texas are destined to be relegated to the archives harboring shoe length dresses, long tresses and bouffant hair, if the bill prepared by W. T. Wheeler, general manager of the Highway Club of Texas, for submission to the state legislature, is enacted. The measure will compel road contractors to provide and maintain satisfactory detours under supervision of the state engineer during the construction of state roads. Wheeler explained, the contractor, if this law is passed, may figure the cost and maintenance of the detour in his bid for highway construction. Whether pointed to numbers of cases where contracts are awarded for certain mileage, the road being closed and the public left stranded to care for themselves to find another route to their destination. "Long and rough detours must be used," he said. "Construction of highways is a mere incident to the traveling public." It also was pointed out that the government will give aid if necessary in maintaining detours where road work is being done on federal designated highways. At Dampell a wooden chest, in good state of preservation, was found, it being the first wooden article to be unearthed.

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LON A. SMITH GREET'S MANY FRIENDS HERE

one of the most interesting of the many varied Christmas greetings is a letter from State Railroad Commissioner Lon A. Smith, addressed to his friends in the Cisco section, and sent through Omar Burkett, deputy oil and gas supervisor for this district. The greeting follows: "My Dear Friends: A gentle hand has led and a gracious heart inspired as we have made the journey through another year. Passing now the final milestone of 1927, we look with retrospection while sweet memories light glowing tapers with the joyous cheer of the Christmas tide. "With hope serene, devotion high, Unwavering heart, unflinching eye." We are emboldened as we launch our burque on the bosom of a New Year because of the never failing promises of Him "Who spoke as never man spoke." "I'm wishing at this Christmas time that I could repay. A portion of the gladness that you've strewn along my way, And could I have one wish this year, this only one would be, I'd like to be the sort of friend that you have been to me." I am hoping with the faith of assurance, that the richest fruition will reward your every noble effort, and bring choicest benedictions to every worthy dream. Many of our good friends have crossed the "Great Divide" during the year. Their unselfish lives of toil, faith and sacrifice, will be an abiding inspiration as we continue the journey. With a desire to renew old friendships and cement new ones, while carols of joy and songs of peace fill the air, I am Sincerely yours, LON A. SMITH.

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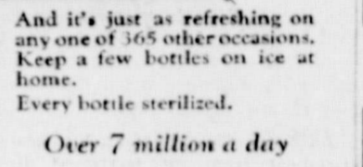
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SHORT CHANGE ARTIST FINED \$50 IN CISCO

Charged with swindling, Robert E. Lindley, transient, was fined \$50 and costs in city court Thursday afternoon. The man, accompanied by his wife, is alleged to have "short changed" local merchants. His particular trick, it was declared during the trial, was to hand a merchant a \$5 bill, get the change and then suddenly find he had enough money in his pocket to pay the bill and request that his \$5 in currency be returned. Usually, when the change was given back to the merchant, it was found not all had been returned, but by that time the couple had gone. Oscar Comer of the Manhattan cafe was complainant in the case. Police said Lindley had operated in Cisco before. He paid his fine and was released.

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\$16.00 Congoleum Rug (Gold Seal) \$ 9.85
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MARSHALL JOFFRE MOVES WOODS TO GET VIEW

PARIS, Dec. 23.—When the architects were putting the finishing touches on the villa of Marshall Joffre outside Paris he discovered that there would be no view over the valley of the Seine. Despite his wife's protests the old soldier, who started as an engineer officer, stretched himself on the ground like a snapper and looked around. "Just get that

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U. S. DAVIS CUP LOSS HIGH A POINT IN YEAR'S SPORTS

Gate Receipt Figures Shattered at Baseball, Football and Boxing Contests During 12-Month Period

(By FRANK GETTY)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The loss of the Davis Cup to France, a dramatic but unsuccessful attempt by Jack Dempsey to regain the heavyweight championship, Babe Ruth's home run hitting and Bobby Jones' amazing golf were some of the outstanding events of the sports world in 1927.

This was a year in which an unprecedented number of former champions, dethroned in the preceding twelve months, sought to win back their titles. A few succeeded; more of them failed.

Interest in sport in the United States was never greater than in 1927, as new attendance and gate receipt records in baseball, football and boxing attest.

Chicago played host during the fall to the largest crowds which ever witnessed a prize fight and a football game respectively.

More than 140,000 men and women, millionaires and racketeers, governors and gate crashers watched the spectacular battle in Soldier Field stadium in which Gene Tunney got up from the canvas at the end of the "long count" and soundly thrashed Jack Dempsey in their second fight for the world's championship.

Two months later, in that same stadium, a record football crowd of 117,000 watched the exciting Notre Dame-Southern California game, which like the fight, had its aftermath of protest.

Davis Cup Departs

But it will be by the loss of the Davis Cup, emblematic of the tennis supremacy of the world, that the year 1927 will be longest remembered.

Possessor of the trophy for seven successive years, the United States watched with breathless interest while the diminutive Frenchman—Rene La Coste and Henri Cochet—arrested the cup from William T. Tilden and William M. Johnston on the velvet green battleground of Germantown.

La Coste, moreover, retained his title as singles champion of the United States. "Big Bill" Tilden, six times titleholder, beaten in 1927, tried in vain this year to come back.

Greater success in this direction attended the return of Helen Wills to the courts. Stricken with rheumatism 18 months ago, on the eve of her engagement to face Suzanne Lenglen at Paris, Miss Wills was forced to relinquish her woman's singles championship.

"Our Helen got it back this year, succeeding where Tilden failed."

Hobby Was Best

The greatest individual achievement of the year, measured by the most exact standards, was that of Bobby Jones on the links of Great Britain and the United States.

On his way to the British open championship as well as regaining the American amateur crown, lost to George Von Elm in 1926, Bobby played such golf as never has been equaled.

Here are just a few of the things Jones did this year:

Burned up his home course in the Southern open, showing the way to the best pros and amateurs in the country, with 281 for his four rounds.

On his way to the British open, stopped off at Glenageary and shot the difficult King's Course, which he had never seen, in 66.

Qualifying at St. Andrews with 147, and opened the shooting in the championship proper with a 68.

Won the British open with a total of 285 strokes, seven under par; Played Minikahda in 67 strokes to win the qualifying medal in the American amateur championship, and went on to defeat his field at match play, beating Jimmy Johnston 10 and 9, Francis Ouimet 11 and 10, and Chick Evans 8 and 7.

Glenca Falls

Glenca Falls of Providence, R. I., who lost the women's national golf championship the preceding year, was among the former titleholders who tried to come back in 1927 and failed.

Aside from the successful return of Helen Wills, this was not a particularly striking year as far as women's participation in sport was concerned. A year ago, the talk was all of Gertrude Ederle's channel swimming. This year, the business of channel swimming deteriorated to a point where an English woman went out and faked a crossing, in order, so she said, to demonstrate how easily such a thing could be done.

George Young of Toronto was the winner of the year's most spectacular swimming event, and was the only contestant to finish the long cold journey from Catalina Island to the mainland in quest of

William Wrigley's \$50,000. No women swimmers succeeded in making the mainland in this contest, nor in the Lake George swim.

Banner Baseball Year

It was a banner year for baseball.

"Our most successful," said President John Heydler of the National League. Gate receipts exceeded those of the previous year, and while the world series, in which the New York Yankees trounced the Pittsburgh Pirates, only went four games, attendance records for these were shattered and the players received more money than ever before.

There were a number of things of interest, even to those who may not be rabid baseball fans, in the 1927 season.

First and foremost comes Babe Ruth's home run hitting. Spurred on by competition supplied by his team mate Lou Gehrig, the Yankee slugger accomplished what he, among others, had thought impossible. He came through with spectacular clouting in the closing week of the season to break his previous home run record of 59, and went on to pass the 60 mark.

As for the pennant races, that in the American League was a walkover for the Yankees, who set a new record for games won and had the pennant pocketed by mid-season.

In the National League, the race was bitterly contested down to the last day. The Pittsburgh Pirates, disorganized in July and without the services of "Kiki" Cuyler, whose case became the "cause celebre" of the season, finally lost out to the St. Louis Cardinals, champions in 1926.

The Chicago Cubs made a spectacular drive for the flag in mid-season, only to collapse at the finish.

The Cuyler Case

The "Cuyler case," which continued into the world series and was a subject for fanning bees and not a little recrimination, was settled after the season closed by the trading of the star outfielder to the Cubs.

Perhaps the most spectacular single incident of the baseball season was the disastrous wild pitch with which John Miljus, Pittsburgh pitcher, threw away the final game of the world series at Yankee Stadium. With the bases filled and the score tied, the Pirate hurler had struck out Gehrig and Meusel, only to let a pitch which escaped the catcher's outstretched mitt and rolled to the grand stand, while a New York base runner pranced home through the twilight with the winning run.

Lou Gehrig, blonde, handsome young first baseman of the world's champions, was adjudged the most valuable player in the American League, while Paul Waner, right fielder of the Pirates, won similar recognition in the National.

Waner lost his league in battling, harking Rogers Hornsby's attempt to regain the championship. In the American League, Harry Heilmann, dethroned a year before, won his way again to the top of the batters, supplanting his team mate, Heinie Manush.

Weird Football Season

For those who like their football logical, the 1927 season which just closed was a nightmare. One powerful eleven after another went down to unexpected defeat and not a first class eleven in the country kept its slate clean of defeats and ties.

Little Tufts College, near Medford, Mass., where Coach Arthur Sampson introduced radical training methods which involving helping the boys to enjoy the game rather than driving them to work at it, won every game on a well-balanced schedule which did not, unfortunately, include any really outstanding elevens.

Georgia, having defeated Yale, the best in the East, went down to defeat in the "big game" of the Southern Conference at Atlanta, losing to Georgia Tech, 13 to 0.

Notre Dame looked for a time like a national champion, and then was kicked by the Army mule. Princeton went through its season without a trimming until Yale took the Tiger into camp. Southern California was unbeaten until the much discussed Notre Dame triumph at Soldier Field.

So it went, right down the line, no first rate eleven in the country occupying at least a tie.

Yale had the best team in the East, but Betsyberg, with Gibby Welch as an All-American star, delivered equal ranking with the Bulldog.

Illinois was voted the championship of the Big Ten. Missouri won out in the Missouri Valley confer-

ence, while the Southern and Pacific coast conference seasons ended in much the same muddle as occurred in the East.

The Caldwell Case

Like baseball, football in 1927 had its "cause celebre." Three days before the Yale-Princeton game, a Providence newspaper announced its discovery of the fact that Bruce Caldwell, Yale halfback, and one of the greatest who ever carried, kicked or tossed a pigskin, was ineligible under the "transfer rule" adopted by the erstwhile Big Three.

This neat piece of journalism set the college world afire, and made Caldwell the most interesting figure, albeit a sad one, in intercollegiate football. The newspaper had its little bear and Bruce sat on the sidelines while his team mates licked Princeton and Harvard without him.

Caldwell's name was omitted from most All-American squads, although Ed Jones is authority for the statement that Bruce could do anything anyone else could do with a football and do it better.

Year of Squawk

While several of the principal football games of the year were marred by loud squawking on the part of the losers, it was in boxing that the business of raising an aftermath of loud moans reached its peak.

Friends, admirers and backers of Jack Dempsey probably never will be satisfied with the outcome of the heavyweight contest at Soldier Field in which Gene Tunney retained his title. To keep the record straight, it might be repeated that Dempsey was soundly beaten by a better man.

Head of Texas Company Resigns

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Amos L. Beatty today announced his resignation from the chairmanship and retirement from the board of directors of the Texas Corporation. No reason was given for his action and Beatty declined to discuss his departure from the company, with which he has been connected for 20 years. Through his secretary he said that discussion of his resignation would "not be in good taste."

No announcement was made regarding a successor as chairman of the board. In some quarters it was thought possible that the post might be left vacant. R. C. Holmes, president of the company, becomes the corporation's executive head, pending further action.

ITALY TRIES OUT NEW PLANE AND SUBMARINE

GENOA, Italy, Dec. 23.—A new type of airplane and a new type of submarine, based respectively on the principle of the flight of birds and the movement of fishes, have been invented by Ugo Antoni, mechanical engineer and great war veteran. Both inventions, it is stated, are of a character such as to revolutionize airplane construction and submarine navigation. Trials of the new type of submarine, details of which are being kept secret, were made here in the presence of the authorities, presided over by a commission of foreign experts representing manufacturers interested in the idea.

Both the airplane and submarine are protected by a number of foreign patents, and offers to purchase the right have, it is stated, been made by British firms to the inventor.

COTTON CONTEST COMMITTEE MEETS IN DALLAS TODAY

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—The state cotton contest committee, headed by Dr. T. O. Walton, president of Texas A. & M. college, will meet here today to announce the winners in the More Cotton on Fewer Acres contest staged by the Dallas Morning News. Prizes totaling \$6,000 will be awarded at a banquet here January 6. First prize, amounting to \$1,500, goes to the farmer producing the largest quantity of cotton on five acres of irrigated land anywhere in Texas.

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Following the arrest of a man and woman as pickpocket suspects, the Paris police were compelled recently to hold them until their description and finger prints were sent thousands of miles to the police of Australia, who recognized the two as confirmed criminals.

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East Versus West In Debating Tour

HONOLULU, T., Dec. 23.—Within the near future the University of Hawaii will send a debating team to the Orient to argue problems arising as the result of closer contact between the east and the west.

One Chinese, one Japanese and one Anglo-Saxon will comprise the team which is to make a tour of China, Japan and the Philippines. The Cosmopolitan club, cooperating with the Hawaii Union, has raised \$1,000 with which to finance the debating team's tour of the Orient.

SMUGGLING ALIENS BY PLANES GROWS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Smuggling of aliens across the Mexican border by airplane is becoming an increasingly perplexing problem to the Immigration Service, George J. Harris, assistant U. S. Commissioner told the United Press.

Lack of facilities to check this open avenue of illegal immigration, increasing use of airplanes, and the immunity of the Mexican border were cited by Harris as some of the difficulties facing the service in combating alien smuggling by air.

"It is a big problem," Harris said "and because the border patrol has no planes, we are practically helpless."

"At present there is nothing we can do about it except to keep a constant watch and attempt, if possible, to obtain information of the movements of planes transporting aliens."

"The operations of air smugglers are growing steadily in extent and volume and there is every reason to believe the problem will become greater within a short time because of the increasing use of the airplanes."

The border patrol consists of about 300 men, assigned to cover nearly 2,000 miles of frontier, comprising some of the most rugged and inaccessible territory in the world.

The patrol, using horses, automobiles and motorcycles, could hardly be expected to cope with airplanes in so vast a district.

The Mexican border, Harris explained, offers every opportunity for smuggling aliens into the United States by plane. The usual method, he said, is to start from a point about 25 or 50 miles below the border before dawn, landing in some isolated spot on the flat floor of the desert, where the planes are met by automobiles.

Harris said the department has captured only a few air smugglers. One plane with three Chinese was captured March 20 this year when forced to land for lack of gas near San Bernardino, Cal.

"We found," he said, "this plane had left the vicinity of Mexico, Mexico, at about 4:30 a. m. on the day it was captured, with the obvious idea of landing the Chinese in the Mojave desert, near Murco, Cal."

"Our investigation revealed an automobile was to take the Chinese to San Francisco. The plane and its occupants were taken in to custody when they landed."

Harris said he could not estimate the number of aliens being brought illegally into the U. S. by airplane.

"We have reason to believe however, that the number coming through in this manner is steadily increasing."

"The situation along the Canadian border is not so bad, because of the ruggedness of the country."

2 MILLION FOR ASPARAGUS.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 23.—The Florida asparagus crop this year will amount to more than \$2,000,000, A. E. Cline, representative of the Florida asparagus growers, reported at the annual convention of state florists at the Hotel Everglades in Miami.

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Church Going Topic for Debate

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A unique debate on the subject of "Why I Do Not Go to Church" and "Why I Do Go to Church," between Edgar A. Guest of Detroit and W. O. Saunders of Elizabeth City, N. C., has just been completed at the long range of 1,500 miles.

Neither debater will know the arguments of his opponent until the American Magazine appears tomorrow. The arguments will appear side by side in the publication.

Saunders, one of the best

known country editors in America, took the negative side of the question and presented a case which is designed to cover all phases of the age old discussion. Guest, noted poet and philosopher, champions the church-going side from all angles. "I would not want to live in a state or nation where there are no churches nor church-goers," he declares, in opening. Saunders, on the other hand, holds that he has repeatedly tried to feel the "pull" of religion as defined in the churches but that he has experienced no such appeal.

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Lutherans to Hold Christmas Tree

The Lutheran church will have a Christmas tree with a children's program Saturday night at 7 o'clock. The children of the Sunday school will present the Christmas story in recitations and songs. There will also be a Christmas services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in which the pastor, Rev. H. E. Pimman, will speak on "God's Gift to the World."

\$100,000 RESIDENCE.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 23.—Albert D. Lasker, of Chicago, former chairman of the U. S. Shipping board, is planning the erection of a \$100,000 residence at Miami beach. Lasker is owner of a large advertising agency in Chicago and has manufacturing interests.

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Fruit C	Prince Albert Tobacco Xmas Wrapped 16-oz Jar \$1.25
Barber	Candy Bars All Sizes 3 For 10c
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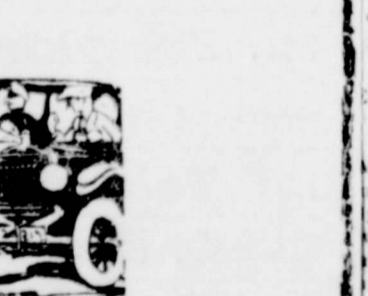
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PERSONAL MENTION

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Mrs. I. Lamb left Thursday for Vernon, after having received a message that her grandson was in a very serious auto accident. The young man is not expected to live.

Mrs. Mary Buster left today for Dallas to spend the holidays with her children, who are in school there.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lundy, and little daughter, Mary Elizabeth, left today for Crockett, Texas, to spend the holidays with Mr. Lundy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lundy.

A. H. Becker left today for Jefferson, Texas, where he will be the guest of his mother over the week end.

Mrs. Sherman Garrett of Hamlin was a Cisco visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Powell of Moran were Cisco visitors Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Bearman and Mrs. J. H. Moyer spent Tuesday in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Orn leave tomorrow for Weatherford, where they will be the guest of Mr. Orn's parents over the week-end.

H. O. Westerfeldt has returned from a business trip to San Angelo.

Miss Carrie Pannill, teacher in the West Ward school, left today for Eastland, where she will spend the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Pannill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe St. John and sons, Malcolm and Dick, of Abilene, will be the guests of R. A. St. John and family during the holidays.

Richard Bearman leaves tomorrow for Tulsa, Okla., where he will spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

had been recovered and taken to the city hall, was returned to the bank and the writer shown the money, where it reposed in the safe from which it was taken.

A young man stated that he was near Chief of Police Bedford when he was shot down while firing in front of Garner's. He said Bedford was shot with a shotgun. Gus Hutton grabbed Bedford's pistol and began firing as soon as the chief was shot down.

THE BATTLE AS VIEWED FROM END OF ALLEY.

Those within close proximity of the First National bank were rather surprised when the report of shots was heard at about 12:30 today, but it was thought that boys were celebrating and firing pre-Christmas guns. As the bombardment continued, said one Cisco man who was in the Commercial Printing company's office at the time, I finally looked out of the alley door and saw a number of people in the alley up toward B avenue. By this time the firing ceased, and for the first time this man stated he learned that the bank had been raided, though he surmised as much just as soon as he saw the shooting.

"Arriving on the scene some one cried, 'George is here!' Going to where the cry came from the man saw George Carmichael lying in the back of the alley with a pistol wound visible about two inches

will spend the holidays with Mrs. Stewart's parents at Willis Point.

Mrs. Lillian Greer of Columbus, Georgia, is the guest of her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. K. N. Greer.

C. G. Maroney of the Humble company is spending the week-end in Louisiana.

Mrs. Celeste Murrell who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. C. C. Clifton left today to spend the holidays in Louisiana with her parents.

Rube Benton will leave Saturday for Fort Worth to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mrs. A. J. Olson and Marion Olson, Carl Olson and Miss Bossie Olson arrived home from Austin Thursday night.

Mrs. F. D. Pierce has returned from a visit in Brownwood with her daughter, Mrs. Goodner Bedford.

Mrs. Tom Shepard and children left today for a visit in Lubbock.

Shanks Lipscomb, of Dallas, was a Cisco business visitor Thursday.

Miss Ingovar Leighton will spend the Christmas holidays in Arkansas.

Miss Sarah Lee, a teacher in

the State Normal at Huntsville, will be the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Lee, for several days.

Miss Betty Fizer, a student at S. M. U., Dallas, is spending the week in Cisco.

S. W. Burnside of Abilene is the guest of his sister Mrs. Coe McLeRoy.

Miss Ethel Johnson of Indianapolis is the guest of Mrs. J. H. Moyer.

CHRISTMAS EXODUS AT AUSTIN ON

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Christmas departure of state officials and employes from Austin began today. Most of the departments will close tonight. Some will open Saturday morning with partial staffs.

Governor Moody will head the departing hosts. He is scheduled to leave Friday night for Abilene to spend Christmas with Mrs. Moody's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Paxton.

The board of control now plans to close the office entirely on Monday. It will be necessary to do this in order to let the capitol watchmen have a holiday.

TWO MEXICAN BANK BANDITS KILLED TODAY

STANTON, Dec. 23.—Two Mexican bank bandits were shot and killed and a third was probably fatally wounded here early today when they were caught attempting to break into the Home National bank. The bandits were surprised in the act of breaking through a window by Deputy Sheriff Bayes of Glasscock county. Bayes and a companion were yanking in to town after their car broke down several miles from here. The fourth Mexican escaped. None of the Mexicans have been identified. Bayes said when he ordered the Mexicans to throw up their hands they opened fire.

POSSE HUNTS FOR BANDITS AT LEE FARM

above the right eye. R. L. Day, who conducts a lunch stand at the corner of Broadway and E avenue and R. T. Redies, policeman, were in the alley opposite the rear of Garner's store, and both were shooting when I looked out."

The party who witnesses the finale of the melee saw Day fire two or three shots into a fleeing car, and Day said he is convinced that it was his shot that finally wounded the bandit now in the hospital. Day received a slight scalp wound. Fragment of a leaden bullet was taken from his scalp.

Vance Littleton, of the book keeping department of the bank, said that he was held up by one of the men and forced to get under a table when the shooting began. Miss Freda Stroebel of the same department was there also and crawled under a table of her own accord when the shooting started. Later the bandits told them to get in the waiting car, but neither would get in. Mr. Spears also was told to get in the car but was unable to because of the number already in there. Employees of the bank said that the bandits themselves started the shooting probably because the crowd coming into the bank was getting too large and they wished to frighten them back. The walls inside the bank bear many scars of bullets, while several screen doors and windows bear bullet holes, showing they were fired from the inside.

CHILD SURVIVED WHEN STRAPPED TO PLANK

WILLENSTAD, Dutch West Indies, Dec. 23.—A nine months old child strapped to a plank as the ship sank was one of the few survivors when the American steamer, Meridian, collided and sank near here. Twelve are missing.

News want ads bring results.

INDICTED FOR MURDER GIRL BOOTLEGGER

COLUMBIA, Okla., Dec. 23.—Chief of Police H. F. Blake and Traffic Officer W. B. Farmer of Calera, Ala., were indicted on first degree murder charges in connection with the death of Louise Montebano, whom they arrested last November for violation of the liquor law. The officers first reported that the girl had committed suicide.

THE WEATHER.

East Texas — Tonight partly cloudy, slightly warmer in the northwest. Saturday partly cloudy; rising temperature. West Texas — Tonight partly cloudy, warmer in the west and north; Saturday partly cloudy, warmer.

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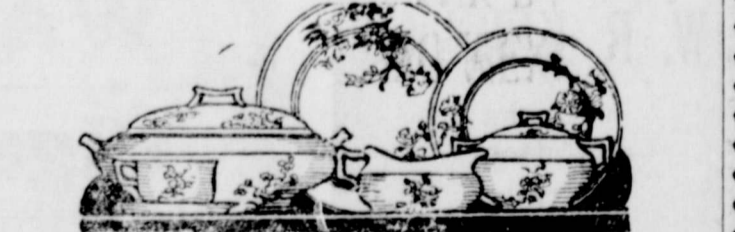
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MOSCOW, Dec. 23.—Four million dollars economy on heels are the prospects of the jet shoe making industry thanks to the invention of a tanning workman, Alexander Shrintz, who discovered a method of utilizing all leather chips and work them over into artificial leather usable for heels, quarters and soles. The Moscow leather trust "Moskol" is to build new factory where this artificial leather will be made.

ESITATION WALTZ IS DANCE OF FORTUNE

Mrs. H. B. Clifton of Oiden motored to Cisco Thursday afternoon.

Miss Kathleen Miller will leave Saturday for her home in Dallas, where she will be the guest of her mother during the holidays.

Miss Olivia Mayers, a student at Texas Tech, is the guest of her parents during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stewart