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SPORT VS. CRIME
By HUMP

An Eastern Newspaper Syndicate recently undertook to determine what particular page of the American newspapers, taken as a whole, was most widely read and appreciated. After a careful investigation, extending over a period of several months, it developed, without occasioning great surprise to the investigators, that the average American, both male and female, turned to the sport page with as much enthusiasm as a bibernating mallard does to an inviting lake. And therein lies a tale.

In hotel lobbies, club rooms, on street cars, in the home, an observing person will readily note that a great majority of newspaper readers will casually and hastily glance over the front page of his or her daily sheet, linger momentarily on the stock page or society news—depending upon which sex is doing the pursuing—and then turn hungrily to the sport page. Why?

Simply because, in the vernacular of English slang, the American reading public is "fed up" on crime in all its countless branches. "Hell in Hollywood," with all its sickening details, has ceased to thrill even the younger set; triple murders and sensational escapades by the wealthy gentry occasions not the gasp of yesterday; Gyp the Blood and his ilk does not fascinate young—or old—America as in the not distant past. Even the bold, bad bootlegger and his blind clientele can no longer furnish "scops" in newspaperdom. And the most daring bank robberies causes but a ripple of surprise.

The great contrast furnished by the refreshing sport page tends to relieve the crime cluttered brain of the regular subscriber. There he reads of clean young Americans striving for supremacy in the athletic world; splendid specimen of young manhood competing in tennis, golf, baseball and other clean, body and brain-building sports that make Samuel the proudest of Uncles.

Moral: Buy Mah Jongg.

NEW INTERTYPE.

After the usual amount of grief incident to such matters, there has been installed in The Reporter office a new Model C Intertype—the latest and most modern piece of typesetting machinery that the industry knows. This is in addition to another Model C and the other equipment in The Reporter office.

Discerning readers have already noticed the new type faces permitted by the new machine, which carries three magazines with a different size of type in each. This permits a much greater variety of type faces.

The cost of this new machine is \$4,450, f. o. b. the factory, with freight and erection charges in addition.

It is among the items planned by The Reporter to better its service to its patrons.

Six O'clock Dinner

Dr. and Mrs. K. M. Hodges entertained a party of friends Monday evening at a six o'clock dinner party.

The table appointments and floral decorations were beautiful and artistic. The dinner was served in courses and plates were laid for Misses Mable Browning, Wilma Shivers, Mollie Goode, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hickman, Robert Calvin, Dr. A. Brann and John Patten. A musical program followed.



Golden Wedding Celebrated

Mrs. T. H. Hampton and Mrs. M. B. Baulch of the city attended the Golden Wedding celebration Tuesday at Merkel of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Banner. All of their six children were present, four of whom are married and all of their children were there, besides a number of old family friends.

Mr. Banner is 75 years old and his wife is 69 and both are hale and hearty.

The children presented Mrs. Banner with a beautiful wedding ring and bar pin and to their father they gave an Odd Fellows ring.

A turkey dinner was served to 33, with the table centered with a big white wedding cake and topped with 30 wax candles.

PLANT TREES

Eastland Plans to Beautify Bankhead Highway

EASTLAND, Texas, Jan. 9.—A called meeting of the sixth district officers of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in Eastland with the secretaries of the chambers of commerce of Ranger, Eastland, Cisco, and County Agent Bush, as well as presidents of the various clubs of the county in attendance.

Mrs. Reagan explained to the assembly that the object of the meeting was the beautification of the Bankhead Highway by planting trees as other states traversed by the famous road are doing. One woman, in Indiana, she said, gave 27 miles of trees for planting along the highway.

Y. M. A. To Meet

The Y. W. A. will meet Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Lige Cutbirth, 407 E. N. 2nd St., with Miss Lucy Cutbirth hostess. The following program will be enjoyed.

- Topic: The Mexican Cactus.
- Song: "The Morning Light Is Breaking."
- Prayer.
- Introduction.
- "The Thorns on the Cactus"—Miss Lelia Poe.
- Scripture, Jer. 8:19-22; II Chron. 7:14.
- The Missionary as the Golden Eagle—Miss Ima Lee Thomas.
- "The Bloom on the Cactus"—Miss Mable Spann.
- Song: "White Harvest Fields."
- Prayer for more laborers for Mexican fields.

MAIL BREAKS RECORDS

Postal Receipts Dallas Office Exceed Three Million Dollars

By The United Press.
DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 9.—Postal receipts for the Dallas postoffice during 1923 will exceed the \$1,000,000 mark, according to Postmaster John W. Philip. The past year was the biggest in the history of the local office in every kind of mail handled, Philip said.

The volume of mail handled in December, 1923, was about 20 per cent more than in December 1922, figures show. Receipts will show about a 10 per cent increase.

DEATH WON

Going Home To Die—Freight Blocked Passenger Too Long

By The United Press.
WEATHERFORD, Texas, Jan. 9.—Death cheated Howard Bennett, 40, of his last wish—to die at his home in Miami, Oklahoma.

Speeding from El Paso, Texas, Mills was on the last lap of his journey to achieve his cherished desire when his train was blocked by a freight train.

While the long lumbering freight crawled across the passenger crossing, Mills died, almost in sight of his home.

MADE MONEY.

Flames Uncovered Fake Money Mill In Houston

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 9.—Flames which razed a rooming house here last week also bared a counterfeit money mill.

One hundred and forty half dollar pieces and two molds were found in the smoking ruins of the house.

Charges Peculation

EASTLAND, Texas, Jan. 9.—In a charge to the grand jury, Judge George L. Davenport suggested to that body that they have County Judge Joe H. Jones before them to tell them of alleged squandering in connection with the \$4,500,000 road funds of Eastland County and to testify as to what he knows concerning alleged violation of the banking laws in connection with the failure of numerous banks in Eastland County about two years ago.

Stetson Hats
\$7.50 to \$15.00
at
WHITTENS SHOP

"Service Quick"

That is the name of this store and it does not make any difference whether you read it backward or forward—it means just the same to us.

Our idea of service is to have what you want when you want it—and of the best quality the market affords.

We search the markets of the world for those different things that every housewife likes to serve.

Our Co-operation in planning the daily meals is a big help to many housewives.

And White Face Flour is meeting every test that exacting cooks have put it to. Have you tired a sack?

Quick Service Grocery
10 Phones 497

Couldn't Be Done

"Why dae ye noo buy your meats from me noo?" asked a Glasgow butcher of an old customer who had taken to dealing with one of his competitors.

"Weel," replied the old woman, "the last I got frae ye, I could hae sold my buits wi' it."
"An' why din ranahththi haltham "An' why did ye noo dae it?" asked the butcher sarcastically.
"So I wid if I could hae got taels tae gang through it," she replied.

Superintendent Johnson of the Marietta, Okla. schools was a guest Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kendrick. He is a brother-in-law of Mrs. George Truitt, Mrs. Kendrick's daughter, who is visiting here.

DONT MISS THE COVERED WAGON

I. LEE LUSK

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W. Side Quare Phone 269

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PHONE 79

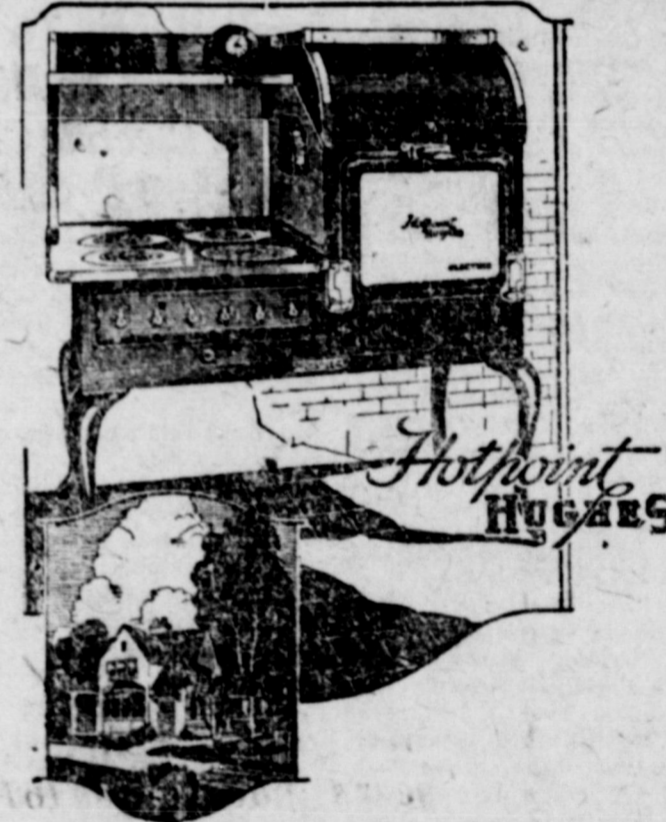
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MAX BERMAN
Sale on Coats
Wool Dresses.

A SAFE GUIDE

Entrust your cornices, leader and general sheet metal work to me and it will be done right—price included.
Better work than I do cannot be had—it is the BEST.
Little more shrdluetuo shrdluetainu The initial cost may be just a little more but the quality of the material and the grade of workmanship justifies the additional expenditure.

OTTO CARTER
Phone 371



CONVENIENCE AND SERVICE

The Hughes Electric Hotpoint Range is not only a time saver but it is a labor saver. The heat is at your command merely the turning of the switch. There is no waiting for the range to reach the cooking heat. Almost instant service.

No matches. No ashes to dispose of. No coal or wood to worry about.

Coupled with these conveniences, a dirty and smoky kitchen is a thing of the past. Cooking utensils remain clean. Efficient cooking service linked with a genuine convenience makes the Hughes Electric Hotpoint Range the leader of all.

Come in and let us show you the various styles and sizes. There is one that will meet your needs.

SPECIAL RATES MAKE THESE ECONOMICAL

WEST TEXAS ELECTRIC COMPANY

DONT MISS THE COVERED WAGON

"Say it with Flowers"

Anywhere—By Fast Mail

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Phone 84

Mrs. J. I. Payne

IRES PROSSER
Lawyer
Luella Bldg.
Sweetwater, Texas

DONT MISS THE COVERED WAGON

ELLIOTT AUDIT CO.

Public Accountants
Income Tax Consultants

We solicit your income tax business on the basis of equal efficiency with other firms and the fact that we are a West Texas firm exclusively.

Our representative will be in Sweetwater to assist tax payers in preparing their returns on dates to be announced.

Freeman-DeVaux Building
Breckenridge, Texas

Park Office Bldg.
Abilene, Texas

Comeo Kirby

No period of American history has been more fruitful in adventure and romance than the heyday of steamboat traffic on the Mississippi. If the Father of U. S. Waters could talk, he could tell more interesting tales than Mark Twain, Booth Tarkington or Will S. Hays ever dreamed of. Huck-leberry Finn and Tom Sawyer would never have trailed their adventurous course through American fiction if the beloved Twain had not been a Mississippi River pilot. Booth Tarkington and Harry Leon Wilson in creating the character of "Cameo Kirby" in the play of that name, realized the lure of the old river days, and made a play of real American character.

"Cameo Kirby," produced by Fox as a photoplay, will be seen at the R and R Palace Theater today.

In his search for the really good things in drama and fiction to put into screen form, William Fox selected "Cameo Kirby" as a fitting vehicle for his brilliant young star, John Gil-

bert. There is no question but that Gilbert is one of the most versatile actors in the silent drama. In "Monte Cristo" he did one of the finest characterizations ever put on the screen and won an assured position among the notables of the silent drama. "Cameo Kirby" is a role that affords to display many-sided genius—a romantic, dare-devil, fascinating gambler who beat the card-sharks at their own game, and played a still better hand in the game of hearts.

The picture teems with color, suspense and action, and is a page from the most interesting chapter of American life.

Gertrude Olmstead plays the feminine lead, and the cast includes such well known names as Alan Hale, Richard Tucker, Jean Arthur and Eugenie Ford. John Ford is responsible for the production.

Choir Elect Officers

The Methodist choir met Sunday immediately after the preaching service and accepted the resignation of Mrs. F. J. Neal as choir president and elected Mrs. F. G. Robertson to take her place. Mrs. Robertson had been president five years or more but resigned last summer on account of ill health.

Mrs. M. C. Manroe is vice president; Mrs. J. S. Schooler, treasurer; Mrs. Roy Scudday, pianist. The choir will meet every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robertson in the Orient Addition.

They are already planning a sacred concert for Sunday evening, Jan. 19, at the church. At next Sunday morning service Miss Ruby Hemby will sing and at the evening service, the ladies quartette, will sing. Mrs. Jim Butler accompanist. The president invites all to attend choir rehearsals.

"WORSE THAN PAIN"

Louisiana Lady Says She Has "New-er Found Anything Better Than Cardui for a Run-Down Condition."

Morgan City, La.—"It would be hard for me to tell how much benefit I have derived from the use of Cardui," said Mrs. I. G. Bowman, of 1319 Front Street, this city.

"I was so run-down in health I could hardly go. I was thin. I had no appetite. Could not rest or sleep well. I was so weak, and so very nervous, I was no pleasure to myself.

"I suffered some pain, but the worst of my trouble was from being so weak and easy to get tired and out of heart. "This nervous condition was worse than pain.

"Some one told me of Cardui, and I decided to use it.

"After using a few bottles, I regained my strength. I wasn't so nervous, and began to eat and sleep, and grew stronger and was soon well.

"I have never found anything better for a run-down condition."

If you suffer as this Louisiana lady did, you, too, should find Cardui helpful for your troubles.

Get a bottle of Cardui, today. NC-144

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GOOD SERVICE

Our Coffee Shop is operated on a sensible basis. Reasonable Prices and Fair Portions. The volume of business we are now doing enables us to sell you a \$5.00 Coupon Book for \$4.25.

WRIGHT COFFEE SHOP

Cliff Baldwin, Steward

MAKE PENALTY

Folks Who Do Not Pay Auto License Tax Subject Fine \$25 Per Day Each Day Car Operated

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 9.—Automobile owners who operate their cars without a state license may help keep the hard roads of the state in repair to the tune of \$25 a day if they are caught. The penalty for failing to secure a license is not less than \$10 nor more than \$25 for each separate offense. Each day the car is operated without the proper license constitutes a separate offense, according to the law.

Prosecutions for violation of this section of the motor vehicle act must be started in the county where the defendant resides or where he operates his automobile and all sums collected from fines are to be used for road maintenance work in the county where the prosecution was had.

In addition to liability for failing to secure a license within the proper time, the automobile owner may also be prosecuted if he obtains his license plate from any other source than the State Highway Department or authorized agents of the department. Also, any person who attempts to sell license plates without authorization from the department violates the law. For each of these offenses the fine is not less than \$25.

The work of checking up on motorists to see that they have their proper plates is left entirely to the various counties of the state, since the prosecutions are brought and the fines collected by the counties. This phase of highway regulation is not handled by the Highway Department. Some of the counties make a concerted effort to bring in all violators of the license law, starting vigorous campaigns.

PLUM CREEK

The young people of Plum Creek were entertained Saturday night by Mrs. H. G. Scotts. They were all dressed like children and Miss Arina Comer and George McReynolds won the prizes offered for the best costumes.

Melva Boyd, Henry Bennet and Eilene McReynolds are on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Boyd, their daughters, Ellen and Zora, Juanita Lynch and Calvin Montgomery, took dinner at the McReynolds' home Sunday.



This Is the Day of Sport Clothes

And you will like the new Spring Sweaters best of all! They certainly are good to look at, easy to wear, comfortable, serviceable and extremely smart.

These new numbers in Sweaters are exceedingly beautiful—We have them in the smart Jacquette and Slip-on styles. The colors are lovely, too, combinations of rich colors as gold and black, tan and green, tan and brown, also in plain green, tan and heliotrope. Attractively priced \$3.75 up to \$10.50.

Sweetwater Dry Goods Co.
LADIES AND MEN'S WEAR
THE STORE AHEAD

day.

Some of the people of this community attended the church services at Bitter Creek Sunday.

Repair of the Plum Creek school house was begun last Tuesday.

Miss Maggie Brown is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Boyd, who lives in the Bitter Creek community.

H. B. Harris and family are visiting J. W. Land.

PYRON NEWS

Rev. Christian, the pastor of the Christian Church of Snyder, preached Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baskett of Wastella spent the week-end in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. E. Richardson.

Misses Flora and Edna Belle Jowell were in the singing class Sunday afternoon. They have recently moved from this place to Wastella.

Miss Annie Jowell has returned to

Abilene to enter school again.

Miss Effie Soules and Fred Glass took supper with Lois Richardson Sunday night.

Dr. and Mrs. Glass who recently moved from here to Loraine were back in Sunday school, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hazzard have returned home after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson.

The Dyer girls have returned to school after having spent their vacations here with their mother and aunt.

Mrs. Joe Adams is improving gradually.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Adams are visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ince are visiting his sister in Fort Worth.

Miss Willie Smith of this place, and Clyde Mason of Hermleigh were married last week. They are making their home in Hermleigh.

BUILD HOMES

**Organized 24 Years
Paid 164 Calls
Defaulted In None!**

Such is the record of the Denton County Home Relief Association as evinced by the following statement from G. W. Saunders, secretary, Dec. 15, 1923:

"We have been organized 24 years, have paid 164 calls and defaulted in none. We now call for assessment No. 165 and 166 owing to the death of two members—amount due from each member \$2.00."

G. W. SAUNDERS, Sec.

Your Sweetwater Association has not been in operation 24 year but it has paid every claim is growing every day and now has over 1,300 members. There's a reason for this steady growth, talk to

W. W. Davis Sec.

SWEETWATER MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION



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An Investment In Health!

Every loaf of Farmers' Bread you buy, means that you have purchased just so much more of health.

For your health depends largely on what you eat, and you can find no more abundant food with such tissue building qualities, than this good bread.

Encourage your family to eat more of this remarkable staple, and buy it fresh each day from

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