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## TROOP MOVEMENTS A MYSTERY

### NO IMMEDIATE PROBE LIKELY

#### FT. WORTH OFFICIALS SAY WOOD WAS FIGUREHEAD IN STOCK SALES

By United News. FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 2.—No immediate investigation here of the activities of Leonard Wood, Jr., in connection with the sale of oil stock is likely, Federal authorities said Wednesday night, in reply to reports that a probe would start at once.

Complaints made to postal authorities at Washington against Wood's companies were referred to post-office inspectors at Fort Worth, but they were few in number and were accompanied by only meager information, it was reported.

Wood visited here frequently while stock was being sold in his companies and was advertised as vice president, federal men said. J. M. Craven, another world war veteran, however, was the real head of the promotions and Wood was used largely as a figurehead, according to persons familiar with oil promotion history here.

#### Warrants No Action

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—All evidence gathered here in investigation of the alleged wild cat operations of Leonard Wood, Jr., was turned over to federal authorities late Wednesday by Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney.

Wood appears to have violated the federal law prohibiting use of the mails to defraud, according to state's prosecutors and W. O. Baumgardner, postal inspector, who went over the evidence together Wednesday. Complaints from former service men who bought stock in the Acme Producing Corporation and the Craven Oil and Refining company, concerns with which Wood served as an official, continue to pour into the state's attorney's office.

"We have gone over the matter very thoroughly," said Assistant State's Attorney Milton B. Smith, who has been assisting in the investigation, "but so far as we were able to determine there is no evidence which warrants state or criminal action against young Wood. If any action is taken it is up to the postal authorities."

Meanwhile a report reached Chicago Wednesday indicating that postal investigators at Fort Worth, Tex., may take up the case Thursday or Friday.

#### FIRE DESTROYS BINDERY AT MICHIGAN PRISON WITH \$100,000 LOSS

By United News. MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Jan. 2.—Fire, which destroyed the warehouse and bindery at the state prison here Wednesday was brought under control late in the afternoon.

There were no casualties and no attempts by prisoners to escape during the excitement.

#### TWO SWEEPED TO DEATH BY MOUNTAIN STREAM

By United News. FRESNO, Calif., Jan. 2.—Mrs. Charles Berry and her sister, Miss Linda Stetter, were swept from a mountain road far out over a canyon and 200 feet to the bottom, to instant death by a column of water from a broken penstock last Tuesday.

According to meager information reaching this city, the accident occurred near Camp 33 of the Southern California Edison Company.

#### LOCAL LEGION TO OPEN DRIVE SOON

Allen Brothers Post No. 148 American Legion met in the Justice Court room at the court house last night. Post Commander H. L. Pharr briefly outlined plans for a concerted program for renewing and increasing memberships in the local post. Various devices for stimulating interest in the Legion activities were discussed including the proposal of a post auxiliary which has met with distinct favor at numerous places.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 16, by which time it is expected that committees now at work in obtaining applications for membership will have excellent reports of work they have done.

### MEXICO MAKES FIRST PAYMENT ON THIRTY MILLION MONDAY

By United News. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Despite the revolution which has shaken the Obregon government during the past weeks, the first payment on the external debt was met Monday, through a group of New York bankers, amounting to thirty millions of dollars, Manuel C. Tellez, Mexican charge d'affaires here announced.

A flood of congratulatory letters commenting on the promptness of the payment, have been received in Mexico City, Tellez advised and the diplomatic corps there on Tuesday personally congratulated Obregon on the work his government has done in paying off foreign debts, Tellez says.

Meanwhile the rebellion is slowly but surely being quelled, Tellez was advised. Federal forces under General Cavero have dispersed completely the rebel forces in Barranca Blanca and Zacualpan and forced a retreat to Cerro Alto.

Farmers in the Vera Cruz district have offered their services to the federal government to quell the rebellion. Vera Cruz is the center of the Huertista activity and a blow from within by these farmers, however, though not organized, would, in the opinion of the government, be the last blow against the tottering Huertista uprising.

### PARIS MENACED HEAVY FLOOD WATERS

By JOHN O'BRIEN, United News Staff Correspondent.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—With flood waters of the river Seine more than 20 feet above normal level, climbing toward the edge of Quai before the foreign office, and two railway stations flooded because waters have invaded the tracks, Paris is in the first stages of a real flood scare.

Tens of thousands of persons already have been inconvenienced by the crippling of suburban railway lines, and in another two or three days a serious situation will develop, unless the waters recede.

The rivers Marne, Yonne and Aube, which flow into the Seine, are swelling alarmingly, and the weather forecast is for more rain and snow.

Paris suburbs are suffering severely. A thousand persons whose homes are threatened are planning to evacuate Thursday, and several hundred moved out Wednesday, taking all the belongings they could carry with them.

The refugees are being housed in barracks and schools, while detachments of troops work desperately to erect embankments deflecting the rush of water into city streets.

Th Gare d'Orsay, an important railroad station, was closed when water invaded the tracks, preventing the arrival and departure of hundreds of trains, which are now being run out of the Austerlitz station. Flooding of tracks also forced the closing of the Invalides railway station.

Paris office and shop employees who commute from these stations are now able to get to work only with difficulty and long delays. Moving the terminal point further down the line has not only caused trouble to travelers, but prevents the railway companies from operating efficiently as there are no switch-hing facilities at the new terminal point.

Late Wednesday officials predicted a two-foot rise in the next twelve hours, bringing the level of the waters to more than 22 feet above normal.

It is estimated that with continued rains, the water will be 26 feet above normal by the week end. Cellars are flooded along the river and city sewers on the outskirts of Paris are choked by the flood.

#### BURNS FATAL TO ONE; FIVE OTHERS INJURED

By United News. WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Jan. 2.—Manda Marie Gideon, 12, was burned to death Wednesday, when trapped inside of her home which was burned to the ground. Her parents, a sister, Zula, and two brothers, James, 6, and Delbert, 15, were taken to a hospital suffering from serious burns. The Gideon home was located five miles south of Burnett.

#### THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS.—Tonight cloudy, snow north, rain southeast; colder except southeast. Cold wave south-west portion.

### DENY REPORTS THAW RELEASE

#### ATTORNEY SAYS MOTHER MADE NO MOVE HAVE SON ADJUDGED SANE

By United News. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—"There has been no move made by Harry K. Thaw's mother, Mrs. William Thaw, of Pittsburgh, to have her son adjudged sane so he may be released from his asylum," said former judge James Jay Gordon, personal attorney for Mrs. Thaw, in commenting on reports that Stanford White's slayer would soon be back near his Broadway haunts.

Thaw was committed to Kirckbride's asylum here in 1917, thus avoiding trial on a charge of beating with a whip the naked body of Frederick Gump, Jr., son of a Kansas City manufacturer. Now, it is reported, he is willing to stand trial on charges of kidnaping Gump, and of second degree assault, if he is adjudged sane.

Gordon's statement, however, does not dispose of the possibility that the move to free Thaw might come from some other quarter than his mother. But Gordon insists that legally it would be necessary for her to interpose on her son's behalf.

"Thaw was committed by the Pennsylvania court of appeals, through the application of his mother, to the state asylum, and will have to stay there until a move is made by her or her representative to have him removed," Judge Gordon said.

"Such a move has not been made, and I am certain none is contemplated," he added. "There is no truth in the New York story."

Thaw inherited a fortune estimated at well over \$2,000,000 before he married Evelyn Nesbit. Most of this was spent in his trials for murder, his escape from Mattewan and flight to Canada, the expensive extradition proceedings and the narrow evasion of the New York charges which landed him in the asylum.

Since 1917 his fortune has been rehabilitated by his guardian, and his health is said to be much improved.

#### Claim All Plans Complete

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Plans to free Harry K. Thaw from his asylum in Philadelphia, and restore his personal fortune to him, were described in a copyrighted dispatch to the New York Sun and Globe.

Thaw's counsel, it was said, had arranged to begin legal proceedings within two weeks, and, if successful, expected Thaw to be in New York, a free man by February 1.

After Thaw had been adjudged

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### PREPARATION OF NEW OFFENSIVE BEING MADE

By United News. EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 2.—The next battle of any importance between Obregon forces and rebel troops will take place at Ponciano, according to military advices received in Juarez Wednesday.

A hot fight at the Hacienda de Jalpa in Guana Juato on Tuesday, which the rebels won, taking 70 prisoners and much war ammunition.

General Joaquin Amarc captured Ocotlan without the rebels firing a shot.

Mexican federal agents in Juarez Wednesday claimed that ten whippet tanks were transferred through El Paso recently for use against the rebels. They declared that American civilian instructors accompanied the tanks into the war zone.

A special dispatch from Monterey, Nuevo Leon Wednesday reported deliveries of war munitions from the American government to the Obregon forces. It was said that this shipment included three armored planes, 2,000,000 cartridges, 10,000 rifles and other war supplies.

Army officers at Fort Bliss are observing a clam like silence regarding the Mexican agents statement and no confirmation of the munitions shipment report was obtainable in El Paso.

Fearing extension of Mexican rebel activities to the northern border, Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, is to have a regiment of defenses societies.

Approximately 800 farmers will be organized, drilled and equipped with guns and ammunition to aid in the defense of the city from any concerted movement by the rebels to attack the border port.

### FEDERALS TO OPEN NEW OFFENSIVE

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 2.—The Obregon government stimulated by the prospect of obtaining American arms and ammunition, is about to launch a new offensive against the revolutionists.

The United News is informed that "within three or four days" a big movement will be under way, aimed at crushing the rebellion.

"The situation will then change rapidly," an official declared.

He did not disclose the front on which the offensive would be made, but it is learned that President Obregon is leaving Mexico City Thursday to direct operations in Jalisco, where an attack is being made on the forces of General Estrada.

The only engagement reported up to a late hour Wednesday was a skirmish near Pachuca, capitol of the state of Hidalgo, where federal troops defeated a rebel force.

Pachuca is 55 miles from Mexico City, on a railroad connection with the capital.

### MAN SURRENDERS FOLLOWING MURDER OF WOMAN

By United News. HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 2.—Robert Robinson walked into police headquarters Wednesday night and surrendered to police who sought him in connection with the murder of Molly Deldley earlier in the day.

Robinson was noncommittal as he was locked in his cell, charged with murder.

### HOUSTON WOMAN SHOT BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANT

By United News. HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 2.—Miss Mollie Budley was shot and killed by an unknown man late Wednesday.

Mrs. Minta Squibbs, Miss Budley's landlady, who was attracted by the shot, ran to the girl's room in time to see the man leap from the porch and disappear down the street.

### MYSTERIOUS NOTE FOUND IN BOTTLE

By United News. TAFT, Oregon, Jan. 2.—"We are sinking. Dated October 28, 1923 by Harry Diemon, Winnipeg, Canada, en route to Frisco, 486 miles out."

This message was found in a bottle picked up on the beach here Wednesday by Oscar Nelson. There is no record of a wreck at sea on that date, and source of the note is a mystery.

### VETERAN SENATOR TO RESUME ACTIVE DUTY

By United News. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, will be back at his old place in the senate when sessions are resumed Thursday, and it is expected that he will lead his progressive vigorously into the fight over the chairmanship of the Interstate Commerce Committee.

LaFollette is feeling in good health, after his illness of several weeks, and expects to take an active part in the fight.

Apparently the deadlock over the election which held up the senate during the first month, is still unbroken. Senator Wheeler of Montana, progressive democrat, made an effort during the holidays to swing the progressive support over to Senator Smith of South Carolina, but when it was learned that two democrats would be absent for several days, this attempt was dropped temporarily, as the line-up would not be strong enough to defeat Senator Cummins of Iowa, regular republican candidate.

It is not known how the progressives will vote Thursday. They had been expected to continue to vote for Senator Couzens of Michigan, but the presence of LaFollette may change that. It is likely that no more than two ballots would be taken on the opening day, and that other business will then be resumed if no election occurs.

Miss Wesley Press-Heads Bank-INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 2.—John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers' of America, is president and one of the directors of the United Labor Bank and Trust Company of Indianapolis, which opened for business Wednesday.

### ENTIRE CAMP OF 3500 MARINES LOADED ON NAVY TRANSPORTS PRESUMABLY FOR PANAMA TRIP

#### Practically all Camp Equipment Loaded and Belief Expressed That Destined for Mexico

By United News. QUANTICO, Va., Jan. 2.—It looked like the days of war all over again in this drab military town, huddled along the Potomac, as 3,500 devil dogs said goodbye Wednesday and sailed away to the south on the Henderson and the Chaumont, navy transports.

Officially, the marines are away to Panama for a little harmless maneuvering with the United States Navy—but most of them felt as they boarded the transports in the drizzling rain that there's something else in the air. They've felt it for several days, as the news dribbled in from Mexico, and it was the principal topic of conversation as the last preparations were made Wednesday.

### ACTRESS DENIES CONNECTION SHOOTING

By United News. LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 2.—Frankly relating the story of the shooting of Cortland S. Dines, wealthy son of a prominent Denver, Colo., family, Horace A. Greer, alias Joe Kelly, chauffeur for Mabel Normand, film star, denied Wednesday he was madly infatuated with the screen favorite.

Hermann Cline, assistant captain of detectives, closely questioned Greer twice during the day in an effort to learn the true motive for the shooting. Greer, apparently willing to tell all he knew, said that he fired upon Dines in the presence of Miss Norman and Edna Purviance, prominent actress, because Dines made a threatening move toward a liquor bottle, as if to throw it at him.

When Miss Norman telephoned for him, Greer said that he sensed something wrong, so he "ran up to her room where she kept a little gun in a table drawer and slipped it in my pocket."

"When I got to Dines' apartment, I found everybody had been drinking, maybe only a drink or two, but drinking all the same—and Miss Norman going to the hospital Thursday," Greer explained.

Mabel Normand could not be found Tuesday by detectives, who hunted the city for her, desiring to obtain her version of the affair. Miss Purviance, however, told the police that "Greer must have been infatuated with Mabel." "There was no other reason for him to shoot. He must have been madly jealous," she said.

Cortland Dines lies in a hospital here—small, dapper and indifferent to questioners. Physicians announced he would recover. Dines declared he did not hate "that driver—I never even thought about hitting him with the bottle."

After Greer fired three times at Dines, he said he rushed to the police station and reported the shooting, not waiting to see what had happened to his victim. "Everything just went black when Dines reached for that bottle. I don't remember much until I heard Miss Normand scream, then I beat it," Greer declared.

A charge of assault with a deadly weapon with attempt to kill were filed late Tuesday against Greer, who says he has a father named John Greer, living at 1487 Amsterdam Avenue, New York City.

Dines Greer's Story. LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 2.—With a scornful toss of her head, Mabel Normand, famous screen beauty, late Wednesday denied that the motive of Horace Greer, alias Joe Kelly, her chauffeur, in shooting Cortland S. Dines, was a mad infatuation for her.

Miss Normand kept in hiding all day but was finally reached by Detective Lieutenant Jarvis, who secured a full story of the near-fatal shooting from her.

"I hate to talk about the matter at all," she declared. "For Mr. Dines to have come to harm at the hands of my chauffeur is so unreasonable, so absolutely unjust, that I am still groping mentally to fathom it."

"I feel that I owe it to Mr. Dines and

There was an air of expectancy about the departure, as much in the attitude of the officers as the men, and a hush came over those aboard and ashore—as the two vessels buried themselves slowly in the mist, and the band aboard the Henderson played "Auld Lang Syne."

All Equipment Removed. The town was lonesome looking after the departure, only a few stray marines slushing around aimlessly in the muddy streets. The post has been stripped of practically all its equipment, which aroused speculation. All of the field artillery, 12 pieces, was out aboard, as well as the three 155's, anti-aircraft guns, and howitzers about the post. Six airplanes were taken along. Rifles for the whole force are stocked in the ships, as well as large quantities of ammunition, more than could be used in a year in maneuvering, according to one officer.

There is also considerable mystery as to why the marines were taken on the naval maneuvers this year. It is the first time since 1915, when they were detached from the naval units and sent to occupy Vera Cruz by President Wilson. They thought they were through maneuvering when they came back in October from a heavy six weeks of campaigning in Virginia.

Believed to Be Sent to Vera Cruz. Many believe the maneuvering with the navy is only a cloak—that the marines will be detached soon after they arrive at Panama, and be sent over in the vicinity of Vera Cruz.

The marines were happy, though they never ponder their heads about the ins and outs of state craft. They don't theorize much, but they do love action—it's been a long time since they've had any—and they are hopeful that it's coming at last—after many dreary days of barrack life, watching the Potomac glide peacefully by.

More Equipment Be Added. Rumors were even floating about the town that guns were being stored in the transports for delivery to the Mexican government, but this turned out to be only talk. However, the vessels will be left outside of Norfolk Thursday and more equipment may be put aboard there.

Only a few marines are left here—to do police duty. They were a disappointed bunch. But none of them appeared as disappointed as General Smedley Butler, who ran away from his duties as director of public safety in Philadelphia, to tell the boys good by. Butler loves action, and Panama looks more promising now than being chief of police in Philadelphia.

### HEAVY BOND BE GRANTED TO PHEGLEY

By United News. ABILENE, Kansas, Jan. 2.—Abner Phegley, a garage employe, was held to the grand jury under \$50,000 bond Wednesday after he had waived a preliminary hearing on charges of murder.

Phegley was arrested the day after Otto Schimming and his wife were slain in their home in Hope, and was held for examination.

The dying words of Mrs. Schimming, "Oh, Albert, why did you do it when you know we have two children?" led to his arrest. Phegley did not utter a word when arraigned. He has not employed counsel to defend him.

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### ROTARIANS OBSERVED LIBRARY WEEK AT REGULAR LUNCHEON WED.; REPOT OF THE LIBRARIAN READ

"Library Week" was observed at the regular meeting of the Rotary Club Wednesday at noon, and a very comprehensive discussion of the benefits of a library to Lubbock was made by the members and guests.

Mike Ballenger, one of the prime movers among the library forces, was chairman of the program, which was conducted in a most admirable manner.

Mrs. Roscoe Wilson was first on the program and pointed out the many favorable features of a public library, and was specific in naming many achievements of the Lubbock Public Library, and expressed herself as being delighted with the work of the librarian. She told how the people of Lubbock had striven for a library and gave an account of the first work that was done in this connection.

Walter Posey, president of the Board of Directors of the library, spoke about the wonderful developments that have been made by the library since it was organized on February 22, 1923, and made a brief outline of the work that had been done in its behalf. He said that all of the money that is donated to the library goes into the general fund for the regular and incidental expenses and the salary of the librarian, while membership fees are used exclusively for the purchase of books for the library.

Mr. Posey, too, was astonished at the rapid rate at which the library had grown, and said that all who were connected with the library in any way were pleased with the splendid service given by the librarian, Mrs. Smelser, and said that he believed that much of the good work that has been done for the library is due to her efforts.

Mrs. Smelser made a report of the work that has been done since the library was organized, one of the high points in the report being that more than eight hundred volumes had been added to the library since it was put into operation.

The librarian's report is as follows: A detailed report of Lubbock Public Library from its opening February 22, 1923 to December 31, 1923:

Number of books in library Feb. 22, 1142. Number of books in library Dec. 31, 1923. Gain 857. Number of books donated, 483; number of books bought, 384; number of memberships 616; number of letters written 786.

Amount received on membership by librarian, \$442.50; amount received on fines, \$64.42; amount received on donation, \$31.00; amount received from Lindsey Theatre, \$25.00; total, \$562.92.

Amount paid out for salary, \$600; amount paid out for books, \$315.65; amount paid out for magazines, \$14.50; amount paid out for incidentals, \$64.42; amount paid out for chair, \$20.00; amount paid out for magazine stand, \$8.50; total amount of expenditures, \$1063.07.

The following memberships are: Lubbock, 520; R. R. A., 28; E. R., 28; R. E., 9; Shallowater, 10; Slaton, 5; Monroe, 6; Lorenzo, 6; Idalton, 3; Becton, 1; Wilson, 3; Slide, 1; Tahoka, 1. Out-of-town memberships, 93. Total memberships 616.

The following magazines were bought by the committee for the library: The Atlantic Monthly, Current Opinion, The American, The Scientific American, The American Boy, Literary Digest.

The following donations were made: 9-section book-case, 1 rocker, 1 month's salary for librarian, Civic League; 6-section book case, 1 table, 24-42 Club; 2-section book case, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Atkins; 1 rocker, 20th Century Club; 1 rocker, Junior 20th Century Club; 1 sign, Junior 20th Century Club; 1 chair, Simmons Furniture Store; 1 lamp, Rix Furniture Store; hauling cases and books to court house, \$10.00, Montgomery Transfer Co.; 1 200-watt lamp globe Simpson Electric Co.; 2 150-watt lamps, Texas Utility Co.; Woman's Home Companion Magazine, Lubbock Drug Store; Youth's Companion, Martin's Bakery; Rail Splitter, paper, A. B. Ellis; World Call, missionary magazine, Mrs. J. Poston; Missionary Voice, Woman's Missionary Society; Dallas News, O. H. Bello; Fort Worth Record, 6 months.

Mr. Brick; Avalanche, J. L. Dow. Number of book read, 11,800. The library is now equipped with 52 sections book cases, 6 chairs, 1 table, 1 desk, 1 settee, 1 magazine stand.

MRS. J. J. SMELSER, Librarian.

### RHINES LOOKS FOR BIG HARVEST OF ALL CROPS

P. W. Rhines, progressive farmer of the Canyon community visited the Avalanche office Wednesday to pay a renewal subscription to the Weekly Avalanche.

Mr. Rhines stated that he is well pleased with the production of his crop this fall and that he looks forward to a great harvest next fall due to the good season that is now in the ground.

### LUMBER DEALER HAS EASY PAYMENT PLAN

The confidence that the people of means have in Lubbock's continued development is one of the main factors in the building program that is now under way, and the C. D. Shamburger Lumber Company, of which I. H. McLarty is manager, is one of the institutions whose owners have expressed such confidence in Lubbock that they have instituted an "easy payment plan" on lumber, which will enable many to build homes who otherwise would be compelled to continue renting.

Mr. McLarty stated Wednesday that his company now has a number of homes built in Lubbock whose owners have completed payment on the lumber on monthly payment plan and have expressed themselves as well pleased with the plan as it has benefited them.

The building boom that is now in evidence is due largely to the renewed interest lumber dealers have shown in making it possible for the construction work to be carried on and the C. D. Shamburger easy payment plan is meeting with approval by many builders.

Dr. Ferguson, Dentist, Conley Bldg., knows how to cure Pyorrhea. 29780p.

### JACK QUINN BUILDING A LUMBER YARD AT WOLFFARTH

Jack Quinn, general manager of Jack Quinn & Company, builders, announced Wednesday that work has been started on the lumber yard buildings at Wolffarth Switch for the Whaley Lumber Company, whose general offices are at Lubbock, and who are building a string of yards throughout the South Plains.

A warehouse for the Perkins Mercantile Company there is also under construction by this company, and Mr. Quinn expressed the opinion that other buildings would be started before these are completed, as there is a tendency on the part of the property owners to make improvements at this time.

This company is also building a storehouse for one of the mercantile establishments at Ropes, and making a three thousand dollar addition to the Ropes hotel, which includes the addition of twelve more rooms, bringing the total number of rooms in the building up to twenty-four. A residence for James Humphrey at 802 Avenue I at a consideration of about two thousand dollars has just been completed by Mr. Quinn. Mr. Quinn came to Lubbock two months ago from Atlanta, Georgia, and has been on the job since establishing a business here.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

At the earnest solicitation of many friends I have decided to offer for re-election to the office of county tax assessor, subject to the Democratic primary.

I feel that it would be useless to go into any lengthy details as to who I am and will only state that my past official record is an open book to friend and enemy alike. There is nothing to conceal and I certainly want each and every voter of this county to know and feel that I will appreciate their vote and influence.

My all is staked on the future of Lubbock and for the past thirty-five years I have had no interests outside this county. Therefore, if you see fit to favor me with the office I will endeavor to fill the place to the entire satisfaction of the public and if you should not see fit to elect me I will still be a citizen and a booster for Lubbock and the great South Plains.

Respectfully,  
R. C. BURNS,  
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Lubbock County, Texas.

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### FORT WORTH CO. IS INTERESTED IN PLAINS

In another place in this issue can be found the advertisement of the Fort Worth Well Machinery & Supply Company, Inc., one of the Fort Worth institutions they are turning their attention to the business possibilities of the fast, developing South Plains territory.

H. G. Taylor, who headquarters at the Lubbock Inn, represents the company in the South Plains. Mr. Taylor is well known to the business men of this territory and is persistent in voicing the merits of his company's machines.

In a special communication to the Avalanche Mr. H. G. Parr, secretary-treasurer of the company, stated that his company claims the record of selling more tonnage of portable well drilling rigs and tools for shallow wells than all other manufacturers in the Southwest, and that a recently contrived "spudding" machine for the shallow oil fields of West Texas is taking well with drillers, and that their business in this

department is growing by leaps and bounds, with every day's mail containing inquiries and in some instances orders, for the "Fort Worth Spudders" manufactured in their Fort Worth plant.

Mr. Parr expressed himself as being thoroughly interested in the progress that is being made in the development of the South Plains territory, and it is well indeed that such men become familiar with Lubbock, as he will through the daily visits of the Morning Avalanche to his Fort Worth office.

### OKLAHOMA MEN HERE WITH PLAINS JOURNAL

J. C. Nance of Marlow, Okla., and Dorance Roderick, of Perry, Okla., are now here to take up their work in the Plains Journal office.

Mr. Nance will have the management of the Journal, while Mr. Roderick will take charge of the advertising department. Mr. Nance has rented the Byron Dickinson home on 15th St., and will be joined here by his family in the near future. They will occupy the Dickinson home until their own is built.

Use Avalanche Classified Ads. Subscribe for the Avalanche.

### CONTRACT TO FINISH MEMORIAL IS LET

COLORADO, Texas, Jan. 2.—Contract to complete the American Legion Memorial building has been awarded to J. E. Pond of Colorado and the structure is to be finished and furnished without additional delay.

The building was started several months ago and because of a lack of funds construction was temporarily suspended when about half completed. Funds with which to complete and equip the building are now available. The memorial will cost \$15,000.

### COLLECTORS WORKED SLATON ALL DAY TUESDAY

I. F. Holland, tax collector, together with Messrs. Clark, Smith and Humble of his office went to Slaton Tuesday to collect taxes there.

During the day they raked in a total of more than \$8,000 and have not "scratched the surface" there yet. "Slaton's building program for the past three years has been carried on on a major scale, and this is evidenced by the tax returns," Mr. Holland said.

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**OUR SECOND ANNUAL**

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**Starts Friday, Jan. 4**

**ALL REMAINING WINTER GOODS REDUCED**  
1-4, 1-3 to 1-2 OFF. SUPPLY ALL YOUR NEEDS NOW AT A BIG SAVING.

STORE CLOSED ALL DAY TODAY TO MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR THIS BIG EVENT.  
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## FARMERS START 1924 IN BEST CONDITION IN YEARS

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 2.—Farmers of the Southwest are starting upon the new year in better pecuniary condition than they have experienced for several years, declares the monthly review of business and industrial conditions in the Eleventh Federal-Reserve District, received here Monday, which sounds a warning, however, against their overextending themselves.

The very fact that most of them not only have been able to wipe out their indebtedness, but, as a rule, have on deposit a comfortable surplus with the banks, brings the danger that they will be induced by the present high price of cotton to obtain more land than they can well cultivate or pay for; to produce more cotton and less feed, meat and provisions the review points out.

**Credit Caution Urged**  
In such circumstances, a careful policy in dispensing credit in 1924 is imperative. The shortage of feed in a great many sections of the district is more acute than it has been for the past several years, the review continues. It is, in fact, the most serious problem confronting the bankers and farmers of the Southwest, on account of its importance as a decisive element in the production of the 1924 cotton crop.

A further enlargement of the cotton acreage in 1924, at the expense of the feed crop acreage, would undoubtedly prove a serious economic mistake, and a costly one, on account of the loss the farmers would sustain in sacrificing a large portion of the margin on the cotton crop because of heavy purchases of feed, it was pointed out. More intensive cultivation of the 1923 cotton acreage was suggested in the review as a means of getting more cotton and retaining feed crop acreage.

**Investment Demand Good**  
The problem of finding profitable employment for surplus funds continued in the month ending Dec. 15. There was an unprecedented demand for short term investment outlets, both from banks and individuals, the report further stated.

The aggregate volume of business in the district continued large despite the usual November lull in trade, and optimism was the keynote of trade reports. The mortality rate among commercial enterprises seemed to indicate the tendency of some firms to expand more rapidly than conditions warrant, and the injudicious extension of credit and pyramiding of liabilities over two or three seasons by other firms, the report continued.

Oil production in the Eleventh District in November set new records

by exceeding the previous month's output by 15 per cent, and added to the already large over production. Encouragement, however, is found in reports that production at the Corsicana-Powell field has reached its peak and is now rapidly declining. Furthermore, the complete elimination of proration policies by all crude oil purchases has had a stimulating effect upon producers.

**Employment Plentiful**  
Employment conditions in Texas, as reported by the United States Department of Labor, appear favorable for virtually all kinds of workers, the report declares. Skilled labor seems to be fully employed, the surplus which is released by any one industry, being readily absorbed in others. Although common labor is extensively employed, the supply exceeds the present requirements, but the excess is not as large as it has been during the winter season of recent years, the report sums up.

### GAINES COUNTY REAL ESTATE IN DEMAND

C. B. Richards, local land agent, reports the following sales of Gaines county real estate for the past few days:

J. N. Autry, of Carlsbad, N. M., bought two tracts seven miles northwest of Seminole, one 164 acre tract and an 80 acre tract, from the Spearman interests.

E. C. Aceock, of Oklahoma, 80 acres near S. H. Gilbreath's. And Mrs. J. B. Dodson, J. P. Paschall, P. W. Fisher and J. W. Fisher, all of Royse City, each 10 acres, northwest of Seminole 8 miles from Spearman Land Co.

John Haney, of Ralls, to A. A. Reese and H. D. Stinson of Royse City, 640 acres west of town. These parties also purchased 640 acres from S. H. Gilbreath.—Seminole Sentinel.

### J. D. BARTON MAY MAKE HIS HOME HERE AGAIN

J. D. Barton, formerly of Lubbock, but who moved to Slaton several months ago, will probably make his home here again within a few days, he announced to the Avalanche force Wednesday.

Mr. Barton's many friends would be pleased with an opportunity to welcome him here again.

### E. BURDETT RENEWED AVALANCHE SUBSCRIPTION

E. Burdett, one of the Avalanche subscribers who has been on the list several years, visited the office Wednesday to start the new year right by renewing his subscription to the Daily Avalanche.

Mr. Burdett is one of the many subscribers who has learned to depend on the Avalanche for all the news, and we are pleased to have him give the paper his approval in this manner.

## KIWANIANS MEET AT ELK CAFE TODAY NOON

Kiwanians, the program committee has worked out a good one for today, and George, the fellow who will do all the work in 1924, has already started something. Right off the bat, without thinking that we spent our last sou for toys during Christmas, George asks that each an every member to fork over \$3.00 to make the year go right. He is dead right about it, though, and since he has all the work to do we had better give him his way this trip.

Herb says George needs some cash to keep the treasurer in good standing with the bank, so have a heart.

Remember, the place is the Elk Cafe, twelve five is the time; and a thorough discussion of library work is the object. Let's go.

The following is the program for today:

"What has been Accomplished in the Past."—Mrs. J. J. Smelser.

"Some of the things that have been accomplished, and what we have out-

lined for the future."—Mrs. C. M. Ballenger.

"How each individual can put his shoulder to the wheel and lend a helping hand."—Mayor Percy Spencer.

### CRIPPLED OLD LADY BEING CARED FOR BY THE RED CROSS

A demented, crippled old lady entered the office of Miss Mina Ellis, Red Cross secretary, during the first days of December and told an exciting story of her quest for adventure "in the west."

She stated that she had been living with a sister at Amarillo for some time but that she didn't like the quiet life of the home there and had decided to come to Lubbock and try to make her own way. She told the secretary she was seeking work, and a position was secured for her.

After working a while she proved to be too crippled to carry on the work with any success, and was discharged, to reappear at the secretary's office. Several other positions were secured for her, but after she failed to hold either of them for any length of time, answers to inquiries sent out by the secretary revealed the fact that the old lady was at one time an inmate of the insane asylum, and while attempting

to escape from the institution fell and broke both legs and an arm.

The superintendent of the institution wired that they would take care of her, and after she had been here more than eighteen days she was sent to Terrell by the Red Cross secretary.

The old lady was at one time, well-to-do and possessed a good education, an investigation revealed.

### RANKIN DOW TO ATTEND COLLEGE AT CANYON

Rankin, son of Editor and Mrs. James L. Dow, of the Avalanche, left Wednesday morning for Canyon where he will attend the Canyon State Teachers' College.

Rankin has been a valuable member of the Avalanche force as Sports Editor and his work will be greatly missed.

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we can see the development of this section greatly increased through the operation of such plants as are now maintained by this company. Who can look ten years ahead in the Lubbock territory without seeing many trolley lines connecting the centers of trade?

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MEN'S SHOES	
\$6.00 values on J. C. Sale at	\$4.95
\$7.00 values on J. C. sale at	\$5.95
\$10.00 values on J. C. sale at	\$8.95
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### LIBRARY WEEK

In a few days you will be visited by a committee soliciting funds for the Lubbock Library, and while you will be called upon for many, many other things during this month, in fact throughout the year, you will not find one single thing that will be more meritorious than the maintenance of the library that Lubbock now has. For years and years Lubbock was without a library, even though it was needed badly. Last year the matter was taken up by the club women of the town, in conjunction with representative citizens of the city, and a drive was made for funds for maintaining the library—that is the hiring of a librarian, and taking care of the incidental expenses of operating the library. The Commissioners court was kind enough to allow them space in the south entrance of the court house to put the books till they could get another place, and we understand that the City officials have promised the library a room in the new city hall as soon as it is completed, which will mean that they will be better prepared to accommodate the public than before.

At the time the library was placed under the present management the several clubs that had undertaken to supply a library in a small way contributed all their books and equipment to the present organization, which made a splendid start toward the present library that the town and the people surrounding the town enjoyed.

The report made by the librarian which will be found under the account of the Rotary luncheon, will be interesting, and you should read it. It divulges the information that more than eight hundred volumes have been added to the library since it was established less than a year ago. It also shows that eleven thousand books have been read during that time, which shows that there is a great interest being manifested. A large number of these books were read by the young people of the community, and the membership covers a wide scope of country, extending into the adjoining counties.

The library should by all means be given the hearty support of the people of Lubbock and Lubbock county, and when the committee comes to you and they tell you what they are there for, give them your attention and your liberal support it will be worth every cent you put into it, and you will be helping to fill a long felt want in Lubbock. The library is operated through the direction of a board of directors. It is a countrywide affair. It is not a club proposition, and while the clubs of the city are taking upon themselves the work of raising funds, it is as much your library as anyone else's, and you are free to use it according to the rules and regulations prescribed by the board of directors. Make Library week a hummer for the library, and make the Lubbock Library a much better one the coming year than it has been in the past.

### HELPING TO DEVELOP THE SOUTH PLAINS COUNTRY

One reason that the South Plains is being developed as rapidly as it may be attributed to a number of reasons. Possibly the strongest propelling force is the co-operative spirit that exists in this section of the state. Where you find a Lubbock or a South Plains enterprise, you will also find an institution that is pulling for the advancement of the country. Some enterprises are more favorably situated, and have a greater opportunity to make a showing of what they are doing from year to year than others. The Loan companies represented in the South Plains towns have been the means of distributing a vast sum of money to the farmers, the home builders and the investor who needs additional capital to put over the purchases of land and buildings. There are a large number of these loan companies doing business in this section of the state, and even in Lubbock. They are all progressive, aggressive firms, and are doing their part in the development work in Lubbock and the South Plains. The following letter has been sent out to several thousand customers of the Temple Trust company, which contains much good sound business argument, and for its value in this line we are giving portions of it space. The letter is addressed to their friends of the South Plains and says:

Your section of the country is developing more rapidly than any other farming country in the United States. Your settlers are more nearly full-blooded Americans than the settlers in any other part of the United States. This means a higher citizenship than any other locality, therefore a more desirable place to rear and educate your children. Your soil is more susceptible to diversified farming than any other part of our State, and the largest percentage of people living on their own land than elsewhere. You have more modern homes on your farms than any other section. The same thing is true in your towns in proportion to your population. You have more brick school houses in proportion to your population and the new Technological College at Lubbock will be one of the foremost educational institutions in the United States, and

it is available to each of you. You now have the best season in your soil that you have had in many years, therefore you have a splendid prospect for a good crop in the year 1924.

No one-crop country ever prospers. No one-crop farmer ever does. The man who is paying for his farm is the man who has a few cows, hogs, chickens, turkeys. Whose products are bacon, lard, butter and milk, fruit, vegetables, syrup, dried beans, peas, pumpkins, potatoes and cabbages; who made sheds, and barns full of feed and has them every year, and who does not use too much gasoline.

### PANHANDLE AND PLAINS IN THE FOREFRONT

For many years the people of other sections of the state and other states kinder looked upon the Panhandle and the plains as a place that was not fit for anything but buffaloes, antelopes and coyotes to occupy. A little later when the cowman came along and brought his herds here they admitted that it might be alright for cattle raising and big ranches, but never would it be any good for anything else. The legislature afterwards decided that they wanted a new capitol building, and as they had more land than anything else they decided that they would just simply take in that bunch of contractors who proposed to build that handsome structure, in return for a large tract of land, and the wise guys at the state capitol who were not brave enough to come out into this country and see what kind of land it was decided to give the contractors this body of land once the Plains and Panhandle of the state and they did. That large fertile body of land lies within less than a hundred miles of Lubbock, and is as rich as any soil in Texas, now the state department of labor has recognized it, and in their efforts to help those who are in need in securing homes, they are starting a campaign for the settlement of this great undeveloped section of the state. The new step taken by the department follows conferences with chamber of commerce officials and leaders in the Northwest part of the state, Joseph S. Myers, state labor commissioner, announced: Literature telling of the advantages of the section, the crops and land prices, is to be distributed by the labor department to persons making inquiries regarding Texas lands, Mr. Myers said, while efforts will be made to induce settlers from outside the state to come here, wherever possible.

### FARMERS ARE GETTING DESPERATE

Faced with the unfavorable conditions in agriculture in many regions of the United States that have resulted in a widespread emigration from the rural districts to the cities and industrial centers, estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture at nearly 2,000,000 during the years 1922-23 many American farmers are seeking betterment through the enactment of state or national legislation. There does not appear to be any general agreement as to the kind of laws that they want, or that might reasonably be expected to give them better returns for their labor and capital invested in their farms, but they are agreed that for many of them existing conditions are intolerable, and that some method of relief must be found. United States Senator Wheeler, of Montana, aptly expressed the sentiment of the West when he declared that the farmers are tired of theories, and that they do not propose to go along with Mr. Coolidge's suggestion. He closed a more or less fervid statement with the assertion that the West would send representatives to Washington that would make Magnus Johnson look like a rank conservative, unless something tangible is accomplished, and soon. It is a serious situation, not alone for the farmers, but for the great mass of people who are dependent on them for an existence. Money has been loaned until it is doubtful if the debts can ever be paid—certainly not under existing conditions. Co-operative buying and selling is only a partial remedy, one that will require several years to produce tangible results. Meanwhile the farmer struggles almost hopelessly along because there's no other place for him to go, and nothing else to do.

### OUR SCHOOLS WILL RESUME WORK AGAIN SOON

Monday will be school day again. The children of Lubbock and the Lubbock Independent School District will be back on the job again, for the second half of the years school term. The people of Lubbock should give the school their whole soul backing, and show a deeper interest in the youngsters of the community. They should give the teachers the closest co-operation possible, and lend them every assistance by keeping the children in school, helping them to be prompt to school each day, and help the child by keeping the home atune to the requirements of the children. If they need to study, make it possible that they can do this at home, unmolested. If they are falling behind in their grades exercise authority enough to see to it that they put in the necessary time at home on their books to bring them up with their class grades. It is when they get behind the class that they become discouraged, and want to drop out of school, and hundreds of children have quit school before they reached even the junior year because they became discouraged by getting behind with their studies, when a little attention at the proper time by the parents would have put them over, and kept them in school. Lets us cooperate with the school authorities, and put every child in school next Monday that should be there.

President Coolidge asserts that our part in the World War cost the nation \$40,000,000,000. We have paid \$18,000,000,000, leaving \$22,000,000,000 outstanding. Against this debt we have foreign notes of hand for about \$11,000,000,000 including the Great Britain settlement. If this were all paid or secured, it would leave us with \$10,000,000,000 more debt than when the war started. Surely America paid both in men and in money but we have yet to realize either material or spiritual benefit to the world.

### CUBA SENDS HER FAMOUS DIPLOMAT AS FIRST AMBASSADOR

By the United Press. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Dr. Cosme de la Torriente has taken up his official residence in Washington as the first ambassador ever appointed by Cuba to the United States. The Cuban diplomatic representative in this capital has heretofore ranked as a minister. The change in status followed action of the United States congress in raising the United States representative at Havana to rank of Ambassador and a similar action by the Cuban congress.

Dr. Torriente came into world prominence by his presidency over the fourth assembly of the League of Nations. He had previously been head of the Cuban delegation at the second and third meetings.

Dr. Torriente, in the 51 years of his life, has had a singularly eventful and interesting career. He served in the Cuban revolution army from 1895 to 1898, with the rank of colonel. He attended the Constitutional Assembly in 1897. After completing his law studies in the University of Havana in 1899 he entered public life and filled important provincial posts. He was one of the organizers and active leaders of the conservative party, founded in 1907. From 1909 to 1912 he occupied the position of Civil Service Commissioner.

His diplomatic career began in 1903 as secretary of legation at Madrid, where he later became Cuban minister. He was appointed Secretary of State in 1913. When elected senator in 1917 he became chairman of the foreign affairs committee a position which he has held until recently.

He is the author of two volumes of addresses regarding Cuba's place in international life, and two others regarding the League of Nations. His friendships include leading statesmen of Europe and Latin America.

### POULTRY MOVEMENTS LIGHTER SINCE HOLIDAYS

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 1.—Movement of poultry since the Christmas holidays has been lighter. There appears to be plenty of stock on the market to take care of ordinary requirements.

The market on dressed poultry is quoted slightly easier, while quotations on live fowl and springs are higher.

The fresh egg market is fluctuating from day to day according to supply and demand. Quotations on fresh firsts on the Chicago open market than the same day a week ago, today is one cent per dozen high. It is quite likely at this season of the year that quotations on fresh eggs will be subject to greater fluctuations than have prevailed for some

time, due entirely to weather conditions. There is still a large supply of storage eggs to be marketed. There is a noticeable increase in the amount of butter manufactured weekly, although there is no particular change in quotations. Supply and demand are about equal and the present conditions should hold good for the rest of the year.

### MITCHELL COUNTY FARMER IS FLEECE BY "SPECIALISTS"

COLORADO, Texas, Jan. 2.—An organization has been perfected among citizens of Mitchell county to raise a liberal reward to be offered for the arrest and conviction of the four men and one woman who fleeced J. H. Bedford, aged farmer, out of \$50 here recently through confidence game. Subscriptions to the fund are being accepted at a local bank.

The gang drove to the farm home of Bedford, seven miles north of Colorado, and posing as specialists, proposed to effectively treat a cataract on one of his eyes. According to the story of the victim, one of the gang poured a fluid into the eye and soon his mind became blank. Remembering nothing, he found himself alone on the streets of Colorado.

Cash totaling \$550, drawn from a local bank by Bedford at demand of the gang, was missing. They left Colorado in an automobile, driving in the direction of Sweetwater.

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# SPORT NEWS

## FIRPO UNCOVERS FORGOTTEN GRIEFS

**By United News.**  
**BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 2.**—Luis Angel Firpo admitted on New Year's Day that his fight with Jack Dempsey on September 14 in New York was something of a hippodrome, for he claims he was in an extremely weak condition and not fit to make his best fight against the champion of the world.

Firpo's statement was regarded very frankly as a belated alibi for a very thorough and smashing defeat and as a part of the general hullo for a return match in New York next summer.

However, he spoke rather recklessly, for the late George Hackenschmidt a former champion wrestler, became an outcast from the game when it was revealed that he went into the ring against Frank Gotch in Chicago in no fit condition to try to regain his old title. Firpo's statement on New Year's day amounted to the same thing for he tried to make it appear that he knew he could not win when he entered the ring.

If he really was not fit to fight for the title, he betrayed thousands of Latin-Americans into backing him with their money on the strength of his announcements that he was ready for the fight of his life.

"I notice," Firpo said, "that Dempsey writes in a press article that I never will be able to beat him. Dempsey seems to forget that two weeks before we fought I was convinced that I would lose, since my physical condition was the weakest. During my training in Atlantic City, my sparring partners dazed me many times. Young Bob Fitzsimmons, a clever fighter, who admits he cannot punch and me very groggy several times. I told this to the sport writers of the American press at the time. But they were afraid to publish my statements. The physicians of the boxing commission, when they examined my vision, stated plainly that my condition was not satisfactory."

Firpo also reiterated his claim that Dempsey fouled him by striking him when his head was turned to listen to some words from the referee during a mix-up. He did not claim that he could whip Dempsey in a return match, but said neither he nor the champion could predict the outcome of such an encounter. Firpo said he would sail for the United States on February 29.

Notwithstanding the public feeling against the prize fighting business because of a fatality in the ring at Panama a few days ago, Firpo has decided to tarry awhile in his native city in order to take tool for a fight with Erminio Spalla, the Italian heavyweight champion, before February 29.

## SCHOOL GIRL MAY REPRESENT AMERICA IN TENNIS AT OLYMPIC CONTESTS

**By United News.**  
**NEW YORK, Jan. 2.**—If her parents will let her go abroad next summer, Miss Helen Wills, the California school girl who won the American women's tennis championship from Mrs. Molla Mallory last summer, will be a member of the American Olympic tennis team in France.

Julian S. Myrick, former president of the United States Lawn Tennis Association, still active in tennis affairs, said Wednesday that Miss Wills will be invited to go as the leading American woman player. If she should go, she would be invited to play with the American team in the renewal of the annual competition for the Hazel Wightman cup which she helped win for America a few months ago at Forest Hills. She also would be asked to play in the British national women's championship matches at Wimbledon. In the course of the competition, Miss Wills would be pretty sure to meet Mlle Suzanne Lenglen of France, at present acknowledged to be the superior of any other woman in the world at singles play.

Mrs. Mallory herself is now in a

peculiar plight for she is not eligible for the American team or the Norwegian team in the Olympics. Having played for Norway several years ago, she was not eligible under the rules to play for the United States as Olympic players are not allowed to participate under more than one allegiance. Now it appears that Mrs. Mallory can not play for Norway either because she is a citizen of the United States.

Myrick said it might be possible to have the rules so amended as to permit Mrs. Mallory to play for her adopted country.

## NAVY HALF MAY RESIGN AS SENIOR CADET TAKE MARINE COMMISSION

**By United News.**  
**ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 2.**—Claude Cullen, of Washington, D. C., right half back of the Navy team which played the University of Washington eleven to a 14-14 tie at Pasadena, Calif., on New Year's Day, may quit the Navy in his final year as a cadet and accept a commission in the marine corps.

This would give Cullen a small jump on his Annapolis classmates in the matter of promotion, as he would become a second lieutenant of the Amphibians several months before the graduating members of the senior class at Annapolis receive their commissions as ensigns, U. S. N.

It would also give the Quantico marines an expert and celebrated backfield man for the next few seasons and help them to make the marine team the best football organization in the country which is the present football ambition at Quantico.

Cullen, better known to the senior class at Annapolis as "Shaggy," played his last varsity game with the Academy on New Year's Day.

## YANKEE SCOUT NOW AFTER COUPLE WITH HIGH PRICE TAGS

**By United News.**  
**NEW YORK, Jan. 2.**—Earl Combs, outfielder and Wayland Dean, pitcher, of the Louisville American Association club, may yet come to the New York Yankees at a price of \$150,000, which would be the highest ever paid for a single parcel of bush league material.

Scout Boh Connery of the Yankees, has been dispatched to Louisville to buy the players. In view of the fact that the Yankees balked at the price of \$150,000 several weeks ago, there may have been a reduction in the figures on the price tag.

However, the New York team has failed again in the attempt to buy Jackie May, pitcher for the Vernon club of the Coast league, and in those circumstances may have decided to get Combs and Dean before the price went even higher.

## HERZOG TO MANAGE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE CLUB

**By United News.**  
**NEW YORK, Jan. 2.**—Charles F. Herzog, former infielder for the New York Giants, later manager of the Cincinnati Reds, re-entered organized baseball Wednesday as manager of the Newark club of the international League and one of the old scandals of the organized business was quietly annulled. The New York team was recently sold to Michael McTigue of Newark, and Herzog is to take charge at once so that he may have the affairs of the team reorganized by the time the season starts.

## DEMPEY BE WELCOMED BY FLORIDA DELEGATION

**By United News.**  
**JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 2.**—Jack Dempsey will be met at the dock by a delegation of Jacksonville's leading citizens, when the heavyweight pugilist arrives Friday on the liner Comanche.

Mayor John Alson, Jr., will try to induce Dempsey to locate permanent training quarters here.

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## NEW BILL WOULD REDUCE PRICE OF TICKETS

**By United News.**  
**NALBANY N. Y., Jan. 2.**—Jack Dempsey will never ring up another million dollar purse on his cash register if a bill introduced in the legislature Wednesday goes through in its original form. Senator Reburn of New York City dropped the bill in the box in the senate. It would reduce the maximum box office price of tickets for championship fights from \$25, the present limit, to \$7. The maximum for non-championship bouts would be cut down two-thirds from \$15 to \$5.

As the Dempsey-Firpo fight at the Polo grounds last summer was a \$25 attraction, those who attended the brawl believe there can never be another million dollar production at a price limit of \$7. Even at \$25 a seat, the stands and field seats at the Polo Grounds were jammed to accommodate the "million dollar" gate. As the high priced seats, selling at from \$15 to \$25, have been the principal source of revenue at the big affairs, the gross receipts will be reduced to less than one-third, under the new scale of prices. Thus Dempsey would have to fight Firpo, Tom Gibbons and Harry Wills, three opponents whom he has been saving for a grand clean-up next summer, in order to draw approximately as much money as he got for flinging his fists at Firpo on the night of September 14.

Senator Reburn's bill was not aimed at Dempsey. Nor would he admit that it was drafted with the idea of smashing Tex Rickard's monopoly on the spectacular shows. However, democratic politicians, especially in local New York City politics, have "been after" Rickard for some time. Promoters, popular among the voters in their respective neighborhoods, had complained that the boxing commission favored Rickard in his enterprises, at the expense of other impresarios.

## BOBBY VEACH PROBABLY DON RED SOX UNIFORM

**By United News.**  
**BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 2.**—Outfielder Bobby Veach of the Detroit Tigers, who became a substitute shortly

after Ty Cobb took charge of the team, will wear a Red Sox uniform next year, according to rumors circulated here.

Veach, who is a 10-year man in the American League, is entitled to his release providing no American League Club desires his services.

## To Fight Initial Bout.

**NEW YORK, January 2.**—Sammy Mandell, the Rockford, Ill., featherweight boxer, and model young citizen, will fight his first bout in the foremost flight of the business on January 11, when he meets Jack Bernstein of New York in a 15-rounder to a decision at Madison Square Garden.

## MEXICAN SOCIALISTS SHOW LOYALTY FOLLOWING ANGER

**By United News.**  
**MEXICO CITY, Jan. 2.**—Mexican officialdom, busy with the revolution, has found a real thrill in the report that a Yucatan doorway and some fence railings painted red, have now been done over in white.

Socialists of a village near Merida, Yucatan, had voiced their radicalism by painting the doorway of the city hall, and the fence about the structure, a brilliant red.

Now returning travelers report that, angered by tactics of the Vera Cruz revolutionists, the socialists have expressed loyalty to the Obregon government by getting out their paint pots again, and painting the doorway and the fence a pure white, symbolic of conservatism.

A matter of more significance is the reported arrest, by the insurgents, of Governor Carrillo Puerto, socialist governor of Yucatan. It is said that he has been taken to Vera Cruz, and imprisoned there.

## Army Officer Found Dead.

**SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 2.**—Officials of Fort Sam Houston Wednesday were investigating the death of Major Albert Gardner, 39, of the Fourth Artillery, whose body was found in his quarters by an orderly. A service revolver lay by the dead man's side. Major Gardner's home was in Colorado Springs, Colo.

## TEXAS PLANS CAMPAIGN AGAINST LOSSES BY FIRE

**AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 2.**—Organization of fire prevention societies in every county in Texas in 1924 is the campaign to be launched by the efforts of John M. Scott, state commissioner of insurance, he announced. This is to be one of the prime movements of the Texas department of insurance during the new year, and Commissioner Scott proposes immediately to take steps to launch the movement.

The slogan of the department of insurance in 1924," said Commissioner Scott, "is to be fire prevention

62 weeks in the year and by the organization of these societies we propose within the next three years to cut down insurance losses in Texas not less than 50 per cent."

Commissioner Scott proposes to immediately take up the matter of the organization of these fire prevention societies with the chambers of commerce and other civic organizations in the various cities of the state and get these organizations behind the movement. He declared that the people must be educated to the importance of fire prevention, declaring that at present there is a week in October set apart as fire prevention week, but he plans to make every day in the year a fire prevention day.

"When we have succeeded in cutting insurance losses 50 per cent it will then be possible to reduce insurance rates in Texas 50 per cent," declared Commissioner Scott.

## UNLESS YOU HAVE SAVED \$135.40, YOU'RE BELOW AVERAGE

**By United News.**  
**WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.**—The per capita savings of the United States amount to \$135.40, according to the annual report of Comptroller of Currency Dawes.

Thrifty Americans have piled up in the banks of the nation the huge total \$15,293,746,000 in savings deposits, records of Dawes' office now spread around among the 112,950,000 residents of the United States, it equals \$135.40 for each.

This vast treasure is more than double the savings of all the other 795,305,000 people of the earth who have access to savings banks put together.

According to a table in Dawes' report, the rest of the world's savings amount to the equivalent of only \$6,669,688,170, a per capita savings deposit of only \$8.39, about

one-sixteenth the American per capita savings.

Americans are not the thriftest people on earth, this table shows. That honor goes to the New Zealanders, with Americans second, Australia ranks third. The respective per capita savings of the leading three are \$168.62, \$135.40 and \$134.49. Switzerland follows Australia with \$127.83, with Norway next with \$124.02.

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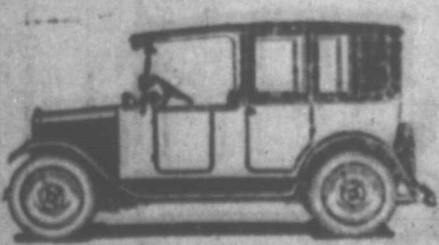
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## SOCIETY

### EL PASO COUPLE HONORED ON 40th ANNIVERSARY

We are pleased to give space to the following clipping from the El Paso Herald, giving account of a recent social event honoring Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Cole, who are now visiting Mrs. E. R. Haynes, at 1620 13th street here.

Rev. and Mrs. Cole were residents of Lubbock several years, during which time he was pastor of the First Baptist church, and their friends here are legion.

The El Paso Herald has the following to say of an entertainment honoring this popular couple:

A family reunion was held in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. Fred Cole, 3818 Clifton street, Thursday in celebration of the 40th wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Cole of 2908 Pershing Drive.

There were present the honored couple, their six sons and daughters, five grandchildren and two sons-in-law.

The wedding of Rev. and Mrs. Cole took place in Pilot Point, Texas.

Rev. Mr. Cole has been pastor of Baptist churches at Pilot Point, Plano, Aubrey, Denton, Floresville, Pecos, Lubbock, Memphis and Crosbyton, Texas, and of churches in Ardmore, Okla., and Almagordo, N. M.

He has preached for 40 years in Texas. He has baptized over 3000 people into churches 2400 people by letter and statement, buried or conducted funerals over 1100 people, married 1230 couples and made over 14,000 visits into homes of parishioners and others. He has assisted in organizing 16 churches in the state, preached four dedicatory sermons and many sermons for colleges and public schools, led in the organization of the Pecos Valley Baptist

## MARKETS

New York Cotton					
January 2, 1924.					
	Jan.	March	May	July	Oct.
Open	35.12	35.47	35.64	34.52	28.61
High	35.25	35.50	35.65	34.58	28.75
Low	34.30	34.65	34.80	33.80	28.25
Close	34.40	34.68	34.86	33.85	28.30
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New Orleans Cotton					
January 2, 1924.					
	Jan.	March	May	July	Oct.
Open	35.07	35.36	35.11	34.24	28.30
High	35.09	35.49	35.26	34.40	28.30
Low	34.66	34.70	34.50	33.75	27.80
Close	34.42	34.63	34.44	33.73	27.88
Tone steady.					

Liverpool Cotton					
January 2, 1924.					
	Jan.	March	May	July	Oct.
Close	20.29	20.33	20.15	19.65	16.54
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LOCAL MARKET	
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Hens, per lb.	10c
Fries, per lb.	15c
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Butter, country, per lb.	60c
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### PICTURES OF CHICAGO SWINDLER FILED HERE

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Wheel track is adjustable from 34 inches to 45 inches wide.

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Large, oil-tight, dirt-proof chilled disc bearing are non-clogging and are guaranteed not to wear out.

THERE ARE OTHER FEATURES WHICH MAKE THE JOHN DEERE LISTER STAND OUT PROMINENTLY FOR 1924.

# MYRICK HARDWARE COMPANY

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# PARTY SPLITS OVER MELLON TAX PLAN

By RAYMOND CLAPPER  
United News Staff Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—An internal row over the Mellon tax plan is brewing in the democratic party with one faction clamoring for acceptance of the program virtually as it stands, while another group is protesting that the administration is unduly generous to large incomes.

It is another manifestation of the schisms which have developed between progressives and conservatives in both of the old political parties. There is a possibility that the controversy over tax reduction may be carried into the democratic national convention in order to determine whether the party will wage its campaign against the republicans on a conservative or a liberal platform.

The question is whether the democratic party shall attack the Mellon plan as a scheme to lift a disproportionate share of the tax burden from the rich. Any number of conservative democrats like Senator Underwood believe that the minority party would be making a political blunder, comparable with the free silver agitation of a quarter of a century ago, in fighting the Mellon plan and insisting upon taxation of stock dividends, excess profits, and a maximum sur tax of forty per cent or more in place of the 25 per cent tax recommended by Mellon. These democrats argue that the party must retain the confidence of the business interests of the country and that this cannot be done if the Mellon plan is opposed in its essential features.

On the other side are men like Representative Garner of Texas ranking democrat on the ways and means committee, who has assailed the Mellon plan and charged that "predatory interests are in a conspiracy to stampee congress" into accepting it. This statement, issued through the democratic national committee, has stirred the democratic friends of the Mellon plan and they are now complaining that Representative Cordell Hull, a member of the ways and means committee, and chairman of the democratic national committee, is using the national committee to disseminate propaganda attacking the bill.

Regardless of internal differences, the democrats will try, in the coming weeks, to differentiate between general tax reduction, which they favor, and the Mellon plan, which is a disputed matter. They will make it clear that they want taxes reduced, but in a somewhat different manner from what the administration proposes.

Administration republicans warn the democrats against inserting an excess profits or a stock dividend tax in the bill, declaring that President Coolidge would veto such a measure and that the democrats would then be compelled to assume responsibility in the election campaign, for having defeated tax reduction.

## DENY REPORTS THAW RELEASE

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sane, the story added, his attorneys planned to bring him to New York to face charges of kidnaping and second degree assault, preferred against him by Frederick Gump, Jr., son of a Kansas City manufacturer. Of these charges, his attorneys are said to be confident, he can easily be cleared.

During his incarceration Thaw's personal fortune, under the management of trustees appointed by the court, has grown from \$25,000 to nearly \$1,000,000. Thaw will be 54 in February.

## W. M. PEVEHOUSE IS APPLICANT FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

I herewith make public my application for the appointment to the office of County Superintendent. I desire to acquaint the commissioners and the county judge, as well as my friends and supporters in general, with some facts.

I have been teaching rural schools for 15 years, not missing a term. I am 35 years of age, a supporter and believer of pure Christian Americanism, and a staunch advocate of the finest product of the land—the child.

I am a normal graduate, holding a permanent state certificate. My life's work has been with the rural schools and that kind of school is the only one the superintendent has jurisdiction over. I mean by that statement that the large schools are not under his control.

I call on my supporters to speak in my behalf. If my appointment is not satisfactory to a majority of the boards of trustees of schools under my jurisdiction, then I withdraw.

If Mrs. Haynes, and I sympathize with her in her bereavement, is an applicant for the place, then I withdraw my application. But I have learned she does not desire the appointment, though she may change her mind, and then I withdraw.

I desire this to be an open, above board offer. I ask no one to use undue pressure or influence in the hope of securing my appointment. But on the contrary, my friends should speak of my ability and qualifications as they see them.

The president and the secretary of the Carlisle board have assured me of their influence in my behalf and that they gladly help me receive the appointment. There will be no break in our school as my brother can take my place.

W. M. PEVEHOUSE.

## ACTRESS DENIES CONNECTION SHOOTING

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to Miss Purviance to do everything I can to make the public understand that this shooting was the act of an irresponsible person and that no more blame should attach to any one of the three of us than if we were bystanders, injured in a street melee." Miss Normand said in explaining her prohibition against visitors all day.

After relating the events which led up to Miss Normand going to Cordland's apartment, Mrs. Edith Burns, the star's companion who was present at the interview and aided Miss Normand in giving the story, denied that Green got his gun from the actress' room as he had told the police.

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Avalanche is authorized to announce the following for the office given below, subject to the Democratic Primary in July and the voters of this county are urged to give them due consideration at the polls.

- For County Judge: CHARLES NORDYKE.
- For Public Weigher, Prec. 1: W. S. (Billie) CLARK.
- For Tax Assessor: R. C. BURNS.
- For Tax Assessor—(Re-Election): R. C. BURNS.
- For County Superintendent of Schools: W. M. PEVEHOUSE.
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## Local Happenings

Dr. Flavious Green, prominent dentist of Crosbyton, was here Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

F. H. Furman, with Donald Maginnis Company, is here from Houston on a short business visit.

Joe and Luther Henderson of Ropeville were here on business Wednesday and visited their brother, J. E. Henderson of the Avalanche.

Ed Schroeder was here Wednesday from his home east of town. Mr. Schroeder recently purchased the old home place from his brothers and sisters and says he is in line for a bumper crop in 1924.

J. W. Dison returned to his home here yesterday after a brief visit to Canyon.

Dr. A. W. Bercu, osteopath of 28 years' experience, has arrived here from Marlow, Okla., and will establish an office here in the near future.

## CHICAGO DAIRYMEN MENACE HEALTH AS MILK STRIKE SPREADS

By United News.  
CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Farmers picketed receiving stations of dairy distributing companies Wednesday in the first demonstrations of Chicago's milk strike, while officers of the Milk Producers' Association completed plans to attempt to safeguard the city against a serious milk famine.

Fifteen hundred dairymen in northern Illinois, eastern Indiana and southern Wisconsin are said to have joined in the strike, which is aimed at the large distributors. The supply was reduced 30 per cent Wednesday, and four receiving stations of the Bowman Dairy Company, one of the distributors, were closed.

Sixty-seven trucks have been secured by the Producers' Association to distribute milk to the needy, particularly to hospitals, during the strike, it was announced Wednesday. At the same time there were hints of a recurrence of the action of several years ago when farmers flooded the streets of Elgin, Ill., with milk rather than send it to the city.

Dairymen, meeting Wednesday in a score of nearby towns, adopted resolutions calling for united action in forcing the large companies to pay them \$2.75 per hundred pounds for their milk on a six months contract. Failure to agree on this price caused the strike Tuesday.

Producers have issued warnings to the public to beware of impure milk which may be shipped in by distributors during the strike.

## PANHANDLE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS TO MEET AT AMARILLO JAN. 3

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 2.—District and county attorneys of the Panhandle will hold a meeting at the Potter county courthouse at 2 p. m. January 3.

R. H. Beville, district attorney at Clarendon, is calling the meeting so that various problems in law enforcement may be discussed. Sheriffs are also invited to be present.

## MISS ALEXANDER TO AT-TEND CANYON NORMAL

Mrs. C. W. Alexander and son and daughter, J. C. and Mayme, left Tuesday for Canyon to make their home while Miss Alexander attends the Canyon normal.

During their absence the Alexander home at 1402 Avenue N will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Hart.

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### BARRIER BROTHERS

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## COPPER PRODUCTION IN U. S. INCREASED 50 PER CENT

By United News.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Production of smelter and refined copper during 1923 increased more than 50 per cent over the preceding year, according to the geological survey. A jump of almost 5,000,000 pounds in smelter copper and 5,500,000 in refined copper was recorded. Imports of manufactured copper also increased appreciably. The production of smelter copper amounted to 1,447,000,000 pounds, and refined copper to 1,435,000,000 pounds.

Associate Justice Dead.  
OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 2.—Matthew J. Kane, 61, associate justice of the state supreme court, died here Wednesday from pneumonia. Kane was the oldest member in point of service on the state bench.

Earthquake Shock Felt.  
LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 2.—An earthquake shock was felt here at 7:50, according to meager reports from local observers. The tremor was slight but quite noticeable. It is not known yet whether there was any damage.

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## 20 COPS GUARD MONEY OF ONE BANK CUSTOMER

By United News.  
NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 2.—Twenty armed detectives and motorcycle policemen guarded \$10,000,000 in securities belonging to a private customer of a Newark bank during transfer from its vault to the vault of a New York institution.

The transfer attracted wide attention when officers formed a lane from the bank door to the armored car. A crowd gathered to watch the heavy iron box carried across the sidewalk. The escort accompanied the armored car across the Hudson on a ferry boat and through the streets of Lower Manhattan.

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