

CISCO DAILY NEWS

EASTLAND CO.—Area 925 square miles; population 83,981; cotton, fruit, poultry, dairying, natural gas and oil; Cisco is headquarters for operators of the great shallow oil field; churches of all denominations.

CISCO, TEXAS—1,614 feet above the sea; 5 lakes of water; 5 rail exits; 6 paved highway exits; 127 blocks of brick streets; good hotels; 4-1 public schools and Randolph College; no mosquitoes; no malaria or typhoid.

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STATE SALES TAX BILL DRAFTED Government's Six-Month Deficit Is \$1,159,286,502

FIGURE NEAR HIGHEST IN PEACE YEARS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Treasury figures today revealed the government closed its books on December 30 with a deficit of \$1,159,286,502 for the first six months of the current fiscal year.

This deficit brought the total outstanding public debt to more than 20 billion dollars.

MUST REMAIN INDEFINITE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The question of "budget balancing" must remain indefinite until final estimates of governmental economies are available, Speaker Garner said today.

\$11,439 City Taxes Collected in Dec.

During the month of December the city of Cisco collected \$11,439.14 in taxes, according to an announcement today by City Secretary J. B. Cate.

Of this amount, \$7,471.05 was current taxes while the remainder was delinquent taxes covering years back to and including 1921.

R. H. YEAGER, 76, IS BURIED HERE TUESDAY

Funeral services for Rev. R. H. Yeager, 76, were held yesterday afternoon from the East Side Baptist church with burial in Oakwood cemetery. Rev. Mr. Yeager, a retired Baptist minister, died at Idalou, near Lubbock, Sunday evening at 11 o'clock. He had made his home 10 miles north of Cisco for 50 years, going to Idalou two months before his death in an effort to regain health.

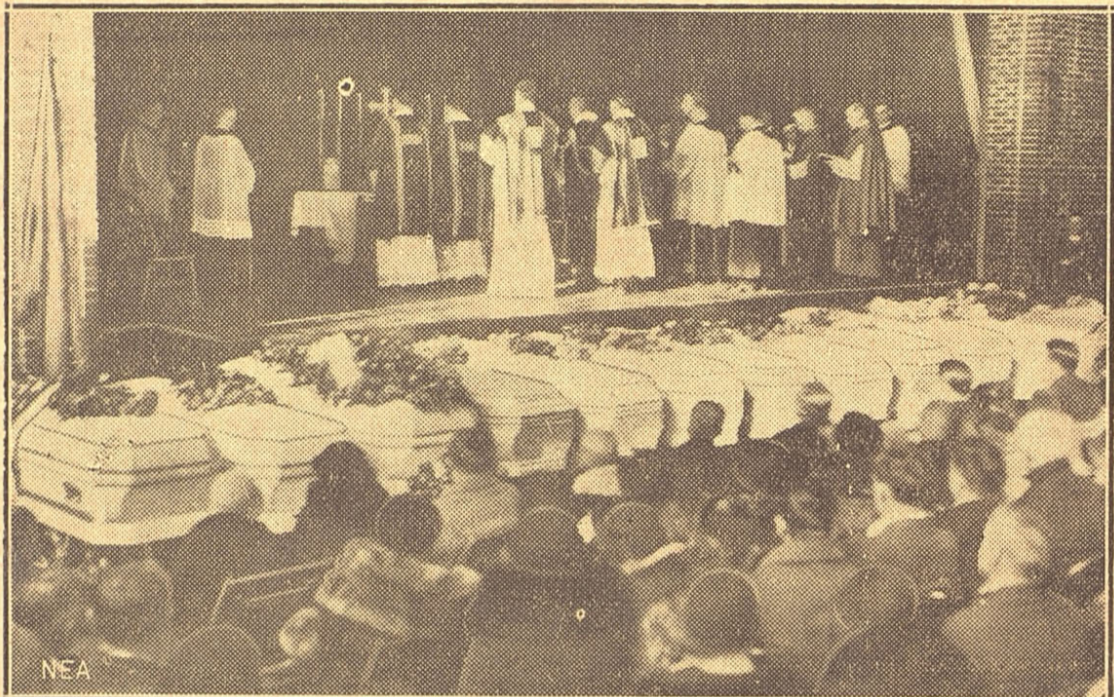
NEW WARFARE FLARES AMONG MINE GROUPS

TAYLORVILLE, Ill., Jan. 4.—Warfare between rival mine unions broke anew today with the shooting of two coal miners and the bombing of a home of a third.

COSTS STATISTICS

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 4.—It cost an average of 22 cents a vote to tabulate the results of the November election, County Clerk W. B. Dilard revealed when he completed his statistics on election costs. In one precinct it cost \$1.20 each for the 33 votes cast.

Hold Mass Funeral for Victims of Mine Disaster



SEEK MEANS FOR TESTING SWIFT PLANE

By LEICESTER WAGNER
PASADENA, Cal., Jan. 4.—Any one possessing a large building, say three miles square, and hermetically sealed to permit low air density, will be welcomed with open arms by aeronautic experts of California Institute of Technology.

1,000 Miles Per Hour

The airplane, Dr. Klein said, is correct theoretically. Its speed of 1,000 miles an hour, more than twice as fast as present planes, would fly at an altitude of between 15 and 25 miles in the rarified atmosphere far above clouds, fog and prevailing winds.

High Speeds

The central channel of the tubes would be much larger than the ends, Dr. Klein explained. The air, at high speeds, would rush into the tubes with such force that the compression would heat the air, causing it to expand.

"Right-of-Way" For Farm Relief

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The house rules committee today granted legislative right-of-way to the "domestic allotment" plan of farm relief, a project reported to have the full backing of President-elect Roosevelt.

ARMADILLO IS VISITOR TO CISCO BUSINESS DISTRICT TUESDAY AFTERNOON

By FRANK LANGSTON.
Turning aside for neither friend nor foe, and with an expression on his face that marked him as a man with a purpose, an armadillo lumbered down D avenue yesterday afternoon.

FINIS IS RAISED

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 4.—Ten minutes after Larry McBride, 36, was fined \$10 on an intoxication charge, Judge A. W. Hosinski remembered having suspended a similar sentence a few months earlier, providing the defendant left the city.

CO-EDS ESTABLISH MEAT MARKET HERE

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Drunk Driver Not Always Murderer

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LOBOES DROP FIRST GAME TO ELIASVILLE

Eliasville, taking advantage of the situation offered by the young Lobo team, sent a forward to an unguarded spot under the basket, and with a tall center controlled the tipoff most of the time, had little difficulty in getting the ball into scoring territory.

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FIVE BODIES TAKEN FROM FRISCO FIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Bodies of five persons trapped in flames which enveloped a downtown apartment house here today were found by police and firemen.

Condition of Nat'l Banks Is Called For

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for national banks to report their condition as of December 31.

STOCKS, COMMODITY MARKETS SOARING

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Stocks and cotton today followed a soaring grain market and a strong bond market, where United States government issues made new highs since 1931.

TWICE PUNISHED

MONTESANO, Wash., Jan. 4.—W. M. Baker, Aberdeen, was convicted twice in one day by two different justices of the peace. Baker was found guilty on a charge of possession of liquor mash, fined \$100 and sent to jail for 30 days.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH TRYING TO RESCUE DOG

QUINLAN, Texas, Jan. 4.—Devotion of Louis Watson, 4 years old, for his pet dog today led to his death. The child's father, Claude Watson, is suffering from painful burns after a futile attempt to rescue the body.

CONDITIONS ARE STILL CRITICAL

BARSTOW, Texas, Jan. 4.—Condition of three persons seriously burned in a fire which caused the death of five others, remained serious today.

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"Prince Mike" in Toils Again



Back "home" again to Ellis Island goes "Prince Mike" (center), the nation's most debonair impostor. His name really is Harry Ferguson and he was a pants presser at Hillsdale, Ill., until he suddenly launched himself as Prince Michael Romanoff.

one ever established he ever had a home other than America. Deportations always are because Prince Mike refuses the customary routine of paying ship's passage. Lately he stowed away into this country from France, landed safely but got arrested in New York when he could not resist the impulse to purchase a favorite blend from a Fifth Avenue tobacconist.

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR LIONS CLUB

Plans for sponsoring a Lobo banquet will be discussed by a committee appointed by President J. A. Bearman of the Lions club today.

Single Gold Mill Left at Cripple Creek

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Jan. 4.—Cripple Creek, where gold once was God, where fortunes in yellow metal were tossed out over gambling tables at night and recouped from the hills the following day, has only one gold refining mill left.

EXHAUSTS SELF ON ICE

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 4.—A deer ran out on the ice over Klamath river found it could not get traction to regain shore, and became exhausted. R. S. Baldwin and Fred Bellinger hauled the deer ashore with a rope, found it was too weak to run off, and turned it over to state police, who will shelter it until it is strong enough to be turned loose.

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GASOLINE BOOTLEGGING.

Gasoline bootlegging has developed into an enormous business since the advent of the gasoline tax, so much so that the evasion of taxation by the clandestine dealer represents a tremendous loss to the government, according to experts. With a spread of five cents between untaxed and taxed motor fuel a fertile field is offered for criminal ingenuity. Add to this opportunity for profit the further spread in quality between legally sold gasoline and the quality of that bootlegged and the opportunity to thrive at the expense of respect for law is amplified.

Now the question as to whether or not gasoline taxes are just, equitable, righteous or downright damnable doesn't enter into this equation at all. The problem is solely one of citizenship and a proper respect for the laws which govern the state or nation. All of us would like to escape any financial responsibility to the government under which we live and many of us would like to be free, also, of moral obligations. But the fact is that we must contribute and since the governing powers have decreased a gasoline tax it is our duty to adhere to this decree and to see that it is observed. The moral obligation involved is the stronger of the two, since good morals are precedent to good actions.

We generally get what we pay for, taxes included. Products honestly sold are a guarantee of honest performance; and every encouragement that we give to dishonesty by patronizing its manifestations helps to destroy the security of our support.

Ralph Waldo Emerson—you have heard of him—wrote an essay once on "Compensation" in which he said, virtually, the same thing that we said in the paragraph above—that is, we get what we pay for. When one considers that for the gasoline taxes that have been assessed we have received many thousands of miles of hard surfaced roads it is easy to see that we are getting back in pleasure and comfortable, quick travel the value of the four cents a gallon we have been paying to the state for the privilege of burning a gallon of gasoline on its highways. Now, if everybody had bought bootleg gasoline we wouldn't have the good roads and the result would have been that today we would be stuck in the mud, burning excess fuel to go the same distance and generally paying out a lot of money that we are saved by the present condition of the roads.

It is estimated that the state of Texas is annually losing around seven millions of dollars in gasoline taxes because of bootleggers. It is hard to believe that the illicit business has reached that proportion. But small or large, it must be stopped. We may kid ourselves into believing that we are saving tax money when we patronize the bootlegger, but it is merely kidding ourselves. All we are doing is making it necessary that the government assess us somewhere else for the revenues that are essential to its conduct.

One of the most serious difficulties encountered in enforcement of the gasoline tax laws is the lack of a uniformity as between states. Similar laws in a group of states make it difficult for the evador to find shelter in interstate dealings. But the best guarantee of the enforcement of the law is a determination of the citizens that there shall be no evasion. That is a sure step toward more economy in government.

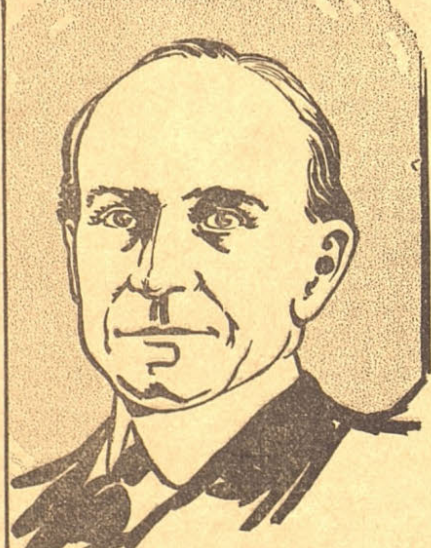
THE SALES TAX.

The Fergusons will advocate a general sales tax as their

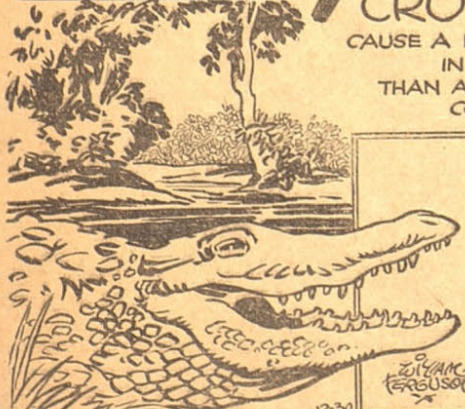
— THIS CURIOUS WORLD —

ENOS A. MILLS,

FAMOUS NATURALIST, SPENT HIS LIFE IN THE WILDEST MOUNTAINS OF COLORADO, AMONG GRIZZLY BEARS AND OTHER WILD ANIMALS.. HE SUCCESSFULLY DODGED LANDSLIDES, AND ONCE CLIMBED DOWN THE DANGEROUS WALLS OF A STEEP MOUNTAIN, ALTHOUGH SNOWBLIND! THEN, IN 1922, HE VISITED NEW YORK CITY, ONLY TO BE FATALLY INJURED IN A SUBWAY ACCIDENT!



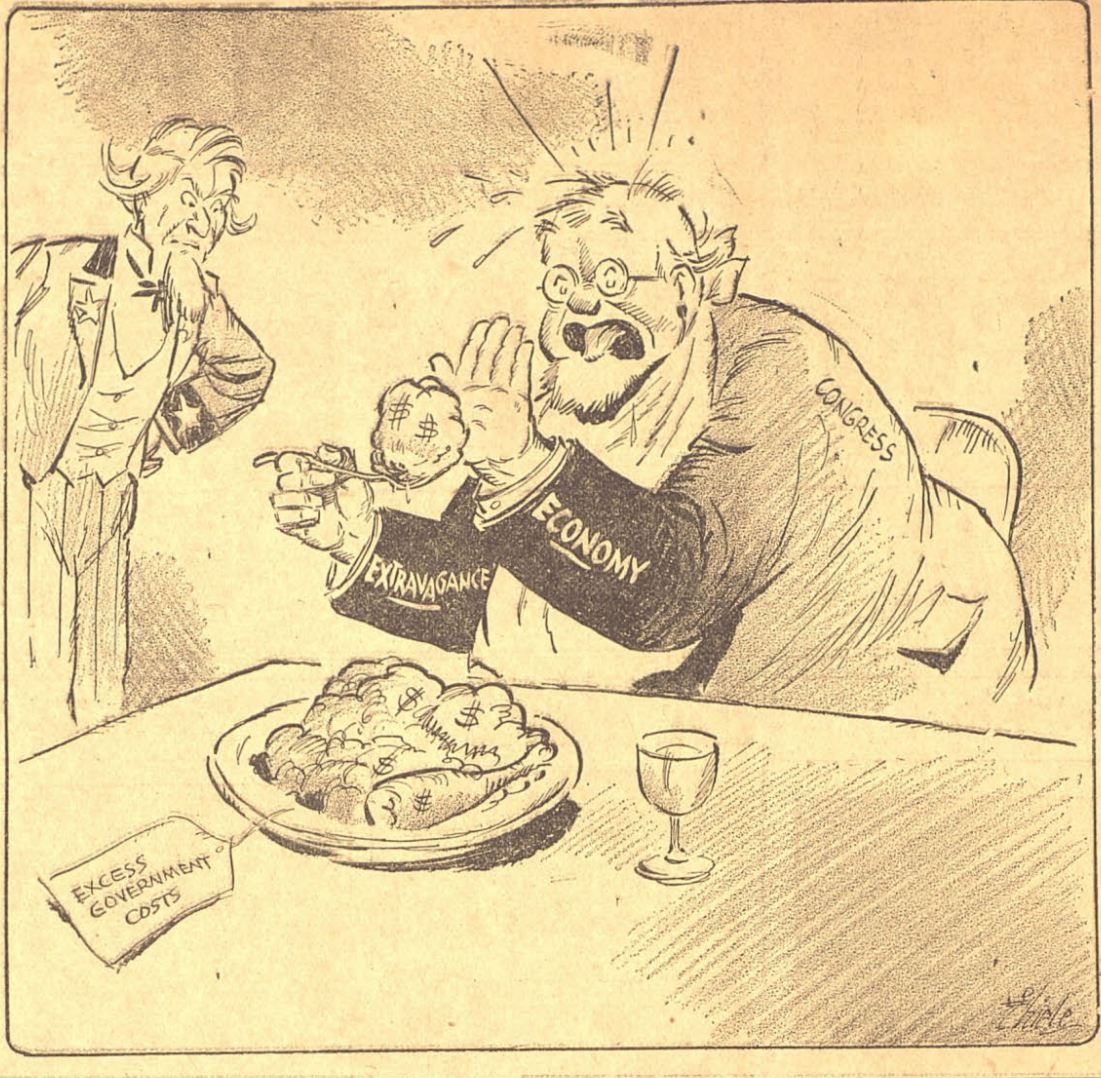
CROCODILES
CAUSE A LARGER LOSS OF LIFE IN AFRICA THAN ALL OTHER ANIMALS COMBINED.



THE SIGNATURE OF BOB LYLE, BILOXI, MISS.

CROCODILES are found in almost every lake and stream of Africa that is of suitable depth and temperature. Although the natives wear special charms to protect them from crocodiles, the death toll from this source is nevertheless an appalling one. The casualties are greatest among women and children. In spite of full knowledge of the reputation of the crocodile, the natives continue to bathe in the infested streams, as if they had never heard of the man-eaters.

He Must Reduce That "Waste Line"



in overhead and administrative cost." * * * Why shouldn't reorganization take place? Why shouldn't waste of the taxpayer's money be regulated and then eliminated? Why should there be duplication of effort everywhere under the skies of Texas speaking of the education system high and low of the commonwealth? State Auditor Moore Lynn has passed it on to the governor. He will pass it on to the incoming governor and the lawmakers of Texas. Lowered price levels for farm staples in history are facing the lawmakers. Economic conditions most pressing are facing the lawmakers. There must be a tremendous reduction in the cost of government in all departments in order that the people may be given a breathing spell and a chance to get out of the ditch.

It appeals to this newspaper that a state sales tax, combined with an income tax properly graduated, is an equitable tax to substitute for the present state ad valorem levy. The next legislature should listen carefully to the Ferguson proposal. It may find a solution to much of the perplexing problem of state financing with which it will be confronted.

In the Political Arena

By HUGH NUGENT FITZGERALD

In a very illuminating report to the governor on the status of the available school funds State Auditor Moore Lynn shows that Texas faces a grave situation with respect to the public free schools and the relation of the available school fund thereto. In the plain language of the people he tells the governor that if the per capita apportionment for 1934 and 1935 is to be maintained at \$17.50 "if claims for additional state aid amounting to \$843,200 are to be paid", additional taxes required will be in excess of \$19,810,000. Well, what else did the state auditor say: "The situation must be faced squarely. Nothing is to be gained by further postponement of the day of reckoning. Additional tax funds must be obtained from some source or state expenditures for schools will have to be decreased far below the level of \$17.50." Auditor Lynn is not an artful dodger. He marshaled his facts and his figures and he handed his findings to the chief magistrate.

A very remarkable personage not many years ago returned the indictment. Figures are ever interesting. These are taken from the Lynn letter to the governor: "The total cost of education to the state and its political subdivisions in 1931 was in excess of \$85,260,000. Of this amount more than \$79,980,000 was for the public free schools and approximately one-third of the cost of the public schools was derived from per capita apportionments from the available school fund." In his report the auditor stresses the available school fund is created by the constitution as a sacred fund for the support of the public free schools. Its income is from taxes and interests on the investments of the permanent school fund. Out of it textbooks are purchased and per capita apportionments are made to the various school districts.

Now get this: "During the period from 1924 to 1932 the amount of the per capita apportionment made was increased from \$15,651,240 to \$27,434,820. The amount made in 1932 was more than 75 per cent greater than that made in 1924." Based on the Lynn report to the governor and on his estimates the funds available for 1934 and 1935 will be sufficient to pay an average per capita apportionment of only \$11.44 for each year, as compared with the average annual per capita apportionment of \$16.21, paid and to be paid, in the years 1930 to 1933 inclusive. And that's that.

Auditor Lynn says that the present plight of the available school fund is attributed largely to the passage of the homestead amendment to the constitution and the deficit inherited by 1933 from 1932 which is expected to be passed in turn to 1934 and 1935. He figures that the exemption amendment will deprive the schools of \$6,000,000 in the two-year period of 1934 and 1935. This

is his conclusion. "Additional tax revenues must be obtained or the apportionments must be reduced." He advises that only in an extremity should recourse be had to new sources of taxation as a means of balancing the budgets of the available school fund. His figures are interesting. The system has 7425 operating units, known as school districts administered by approximately 27,665 trustees, and employing nearly 46,000 teachers, superintendents, supervisors, and assistants. This recommendation for the lawmakers and the taxpayers of the commonwealth: "The state auditor believes that the public free school system is not now organized for economy and a reorganization along business lines would result in important savings

CHILDBIRTH LEFT HER THIN, WORN, NERVOUS

"After birth of my baby I was thin, nervous run-down. The first

'33 Puzzle

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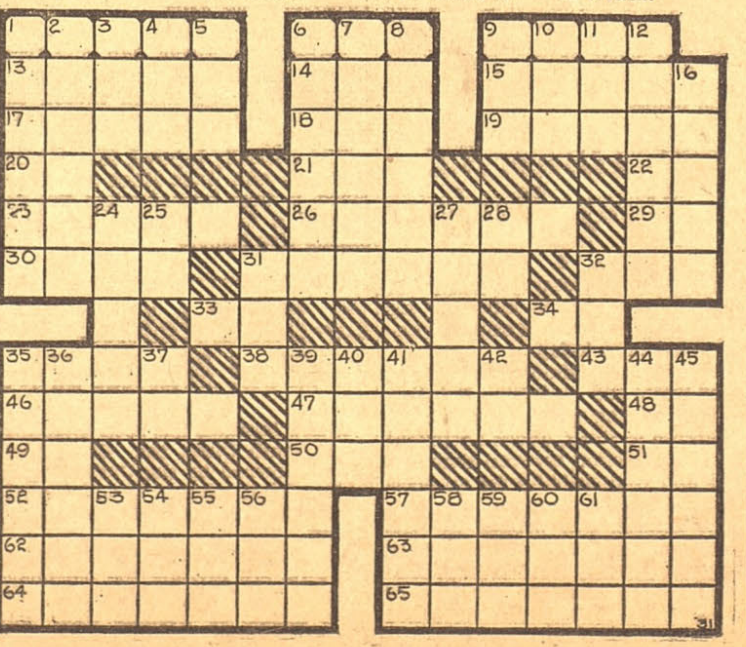
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- 19 Opposed to verse.
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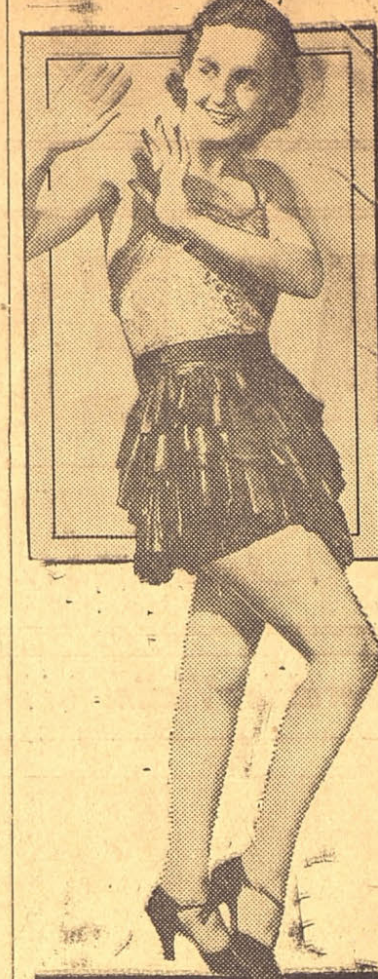
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- 44 Polisher.
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- 53 Sash.
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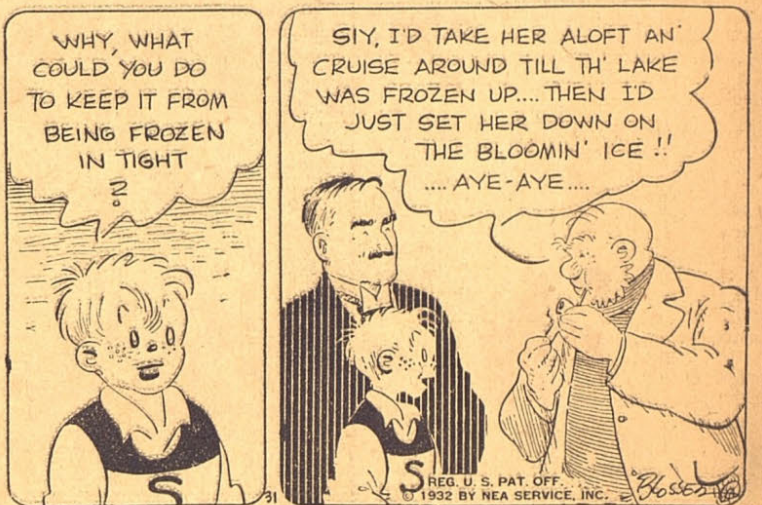
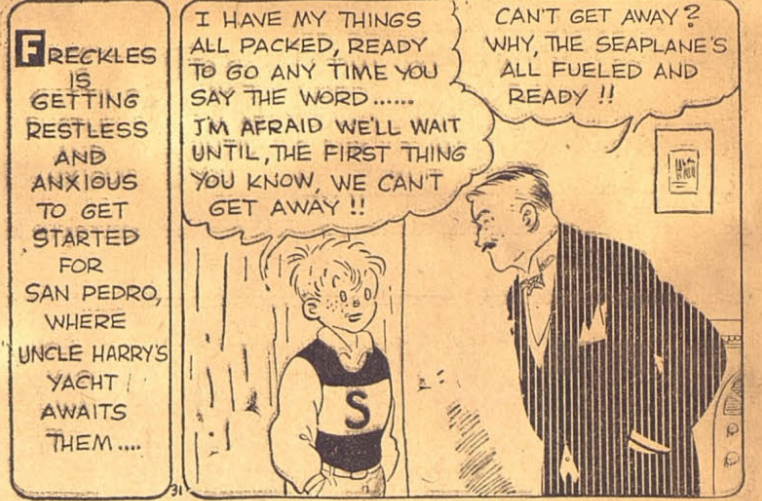
The story of a dancer's adventures and love is told in the new serial "Spotlight". It begins

Beginning Friday, January 6, in this paper

Children's Coughs Need Creomulsion

Always get the best, fastest and surest treatment for your child's cough or cold. Prudent mothers more and more are turning to Creomulsion for any cough or cold that starts. Creomulsion emulsifies creosote with six other important medicinal elements which soothe and heal the inflamed membranes and check germ growth. It is not a cheap remedy, but contains no narcotics and is certain relief. Get a bottle from your druggist right now and have it ready for instant use. (adv.)

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