

MILITARY DISPERSES OKLAHOMA HOUSE

TWO MEN KILLED IN FORT WORTH LATE SUNDAY

Eternal Triangle Said To Figure in Both Murders.

By United Press.
FORT WORTH, Dec. 12.—The eternal triangle figured in two killings here Sunday.

Stephen R. Graham, 50, formerly of Little Rock, Ark., was shot and killed on a downtown street corner late Sunday. Oliver Wallace, Fort Worth, is being held without bond under charges of murder.

Martin Hogg, 23, died in a local hospital last night from gunshot wounds received when he visited the home of his divorced wife to see his two children. He was met at the door by Will Dalton, 24, present husband of the former Mrs. Hogg, and a quarrel started between the two over Hogg's rights in the house. Dalton was released last night on \$2,500 bond on a charge of murder.

STATE BRIEFS

BRYAN.—Cold, damp weather is enjoyed by officials of the Bryan Traction company. In bad weather students at Texas A. and M. college are forced to ride the trolley from College Station to Bryan, and the company's receipts are greatly increased.

DALLAS.—Tire dealers from all parts of Texas will gather here Wednesday for the first annual meeting of the recently formed Texas State Tire Dealers' association.

All tire dealers of Texas have been invited to attend the two day meeting and more than 500 are expected. Methods of combating the tactics of unscrupulous tire dealers will feature the meeting's discussions.

LAGRANGE.—A Texas landmark is fast being lost despite efforts to preserve it. It is the large live-oak tree on the northwest corner of the LaGrange square where Dawson's men were enrolled for the ill-fated Mier expedition into Mexico.

Captured there, the invaders were forced to draw beans for their lives. Those getting the black beans were executed.

The tree has been treated by tree doctors. Much of the trunk has been filled with concrete. Ordinarily it had a spread of more than 100 feet. But now only a few short branches remain.

On the Colorado river bluff overlooking the city, the bones of the men killed in the expedition have been buried together in a large vault, having been brought back for that purpose.

WAXAHACHE.—Trinity university will open its debating season against Texas A. and M. college here Friday night in a nondecision affair. The two teams will debate the question, "Resolved, that the United States should not protect by armed force capital invested in foreign countries except after formal declaration of war." Trinity will defend the affirmative and A. & M. will uphold the negative side.

William Hogan of Eastland and Eugent Reed of Ryan, Okla., will represent Trinity.

ABILENE.—"Abilene Heights" a new residence subdivision of Abilene is unique in that 200 persons bought lots in the section without ever having seen them.

The 140 acre tract, which contains 500 residence lots, adjoins the 80 acre campus to which Abilene Christian college will be moved during the next year. All proceeds from the sale of the lots will go to the college.

The lots sold will not be assigned to their owners until the tract is divided.



When Christmas season rolls around, there should be cheer for all. Why don't you care for some poor home where Santa fails to call?

Seats for the Gentlemen?



Here are the gentlemen from Pennsylvania and Illinois, with their champions who are trying to get seats for them in the United States Senate. At the top are Senator David A. Reed of Pennsylvania, who is defending Senator-elect William Vare (right) of Pennsylvania in his fight for a seat. Below are Senator-elect Frank L. Smith of Illinois (left) and his defender, Senator Charles S. Deneen of the same state. Source and size of Smith's and Vare's campaign expenditures are the disputed points.

Officers Still Searching For Nimrod Farmer

A stain believed to be human blood found by searchers for Ellis Pass, missing Nimrod man, was sent to Dallas Sunday to be analyzed, according to information from Cisco today.

The situation as it stands now rests almost wholly on whether the stain is human blood or not.

Pass, a young farmer of the Nimrod community, disappeared Friday afternoon and owing to the fact that he had received a note of warning through the mails, which bore the gruesome outlines of a noose, fears are felt that the young man has met foul play.

This note is supposed to have come to Pass as the result of some information given the sheriff's department by him against moonshiners.

The note read: "Well, Pass, it is moving time for you. The sooner the better, for you have put the law on us and we aim to get you." The note, printed in pencil on tablet paper, had a curved line below it and the word "rope" nearby.

On Sunday afternoon a posse hunting for Pass or for some clue that would unravel the mystery of his disappearance, came upon two men operating a still a quarter of a mile from where a pool of supposed blood was found in the road Saturday.

Weatherford And Rusk Play To Tie For Championship

Special Correspondence.
WEATHERFORD, Dec. 12.—Before a crowd of 2,500 fans, Rusk and Weatherford Junior college teams played for the championship Friday at Rusk and the result was a scoreless tie. Rusk made seven first downs and Weatherford six. Rusk made 112 yards from scrimmage and Weatherford 110.

Rusk kicked off to Weatherford and the balance of the game was a punting affair featured by Wolf and Modessette, both averaging 50 yards each.

Weatherford tried a field goal but failed and the game was ended.

Officials were Barry Holtson (Notre Dame), referee; Joe Ward (Texas), umpire; Wilkins (Trinity), head lineman.

ESCAPED CONVICT IS ARRESTED IN FORT WORTH
FORT WORTH, Dec. 12.—George Miller, Rusk county convict who escaped from the Huntsville state prison farm Saturday with 3 others was behind the jail bars here again Monday.

He was arrested by detectives who used Miller's wife as a decoy.

ONE MAN KILLED SIX INJURED IN TRAIN WRECK

Railroad Officials of B. & O. Express Believe Wreck Was Deliberate.

By United Press.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12.—One man was killed and six were injured when the Detroit Limited train of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad was wrecked on a curve last night at Guffey's Station, 25 miles east of here.

Reports from officials of the railroad today indicated the train was wrecked deliberately. Investigation, according to railroad officials, showed that bolts had been removed from the angle bar and spikes removed from the ties on the outside of the curve.

Rising Star Pig And Poultry Show Awards

Following are the prize winners of the eighth annual pig and poultry show held in Rising Star, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10, sponsored by the local chamber of commerce:

Barred Rocks—T. E. Clark, Cisco; cock, first; cock, second; pullet, first; pullet, second; hen, first; hen, second.

White Leghorns (American)—W. J. Speer, Carbon; cock bird, first, second, third and fourth; cockrel, first, second and third; pullet, first, second and third; first grand champion young pen.

White Leghorns (English)—W. H. Jones, Rising Star; utility pen, first, second, third.

Brown Leghorns—T. E. Clark, Cisco; pullet, first and second. I. P. Smith, Sipe Springs; young pen, first.

Barred Rocks—J. E. Bolding, Rising Star; pullet, fourth. W. J. Rankins, May; cockrel, first and second. W. H. Keith, Breckenridge; cockrel, second, third and fourth; cock, third; hen, third.

Rhode Island Reds—E. B. Isaacs, Cisco; cock, first and second; cockrel, first, second, third and fourth; hen, first and second; pullet, first, second and third.

White Wyandottes—T. E. Clark, Cisco; cock, first; hen, first.

Jersey Black Giants—W. F. Lawson, Rising Star; pullet, first.

Black Spanish—W. F. Lawson, Rising Star; pullet, first; cockrel, first.

Black Minorcas—C. C. Swindle, Rising Star; cockrel, first; hen, third and fourth. J. W. Tune, Rising Star; hen, first and second; cock, third, Clifton Hoard, Rising Star; cock, first.

Cornish Game—T. E. Clark, Cisco; young pen, first; grand champion young pen, second; pullet, first and fourth. A. V. McBride, May; pullet, second and third; cockrel, first.

Pit Game—L. E. Sheridan, Cisco; Hen, first; pullet, first; cock, second.

Turkeys
Mammoth Bronze—W. P. Waldron, Rising Star; old tom, second. I. W. Robertson, May; young pen, first.

R. J. D'Avignon, Barks: old tom, fourth; pullet, third and fourth; old hen, third; hen, second and third; young tom, second. Tom Johnson, May; young tom, first; old tom, first; old hen, first and second; pullet, first and second.

Red Bourbon Turkey—C. F. Carroll, Rising Star; pullet, first; old hen, first.

Narragansett—W. J. Rankin, May; young pen, first.

Blue Slate—George Brown, May; young pen, first.

Golden Seabright Bantams—J. L. Rogers, Rising Star; pullet, first, second and third; cockrel, first.

Brown Lohorn Bantams—I. P. Smith, Sipe Springs; hen, first and second.

White Bantams—I. P. Smith, Sipe Springs; hen, first.

Geese, Toulouse—J. E. Bolding, Rising Star; pen, first.

White Geese—A. O. Cooper, Rising Star; pen, first.

Hogs
Dick Brown—First prize on best sow with litter; second on sow and litter.

Frank Buoy—First on 10-weeks-old pig (boar).

W. H. Hughes—First on pig under six months old (sow); third on pig under six months old (boar).

J. W. Bunn—Second on 4-months-old sow; third on 3-months-old sow; second on 2-months-old boar.

Herbert Hutson—First on boar over six months old.

W. H. Hughes—First on sow over six months old.

Cows
Chester Harris—First on Jersey milk cow.

Wollie Dunaway—Second on Jersey milk cow.

Home Demonstration Fancy Work.
North Rising Star Club General Exhibit—First prize.
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Fire Blackens California Hills



This remarkable picture taken at 2,000 feet in the morning, shows a three-mile front ablaze on the ridge of the Verdugo mountains in southern California, where fires recently destroyed more than 100 homes and denuded thousands of acres of forest land. Notice the foggy appearance of the moon, caused by the great clouds of smoke.

Otis Rogers In Testimony Says Rebecca Insane

By United Press.
COURT ROOM, LAGRANGE, Dec. 12.—Rebecca Bardley Rogers is insane now, her husband, Otis Rogers testified today at her trial for robbing the farmer's National bank at Buda a year ago.

He testified that she "acted queerly" during the summer of 1926 and in his opinion could not distinguish between right and wrong.

She believed everything she does is absolutely right.

"She does not appreciate the consequences of her acts nor appreciate what is done for her," Rogers told the jury of farmers.

Many Thousands See New Ford Car In Ranger Sunday

People for miles around came to Ranger Sunday to see the new Ford which was on exhibition at the Leveille-Maher ford agency. It drew so many curious people as did the first horseless carriage ever put on display.

Really the new Ford, in this case a Tudor sedan, was well worth going to see and it was estimated by the number of cards and the amount of advertising matter given out that there were between 6,000 and 7,000 callers at the Ford show room during Sunday.

Ed Maher, one of the members of the firm said Monday that they could have sold 500 new cars today if they had had them to sell.

The public reacted very favorably to the new Ford. Its coloring was beautiful enough to adorn a much more expensive car and in every way it stepped right out on a par with cars that have formerly been considered farther up in cardon than the Ford.

Not one unfavorable comment was heard during the day. The crowd came out of curiosity and remained to praise. It was sold completely on the first new Ford.

CLEANER PRESENTS VERY ATTRACTIVE WINDOW

The Ranger Dry Cleaning plant is showing an unusually attractive window today. The long window ledge is backed with cedar, coated with snow. Cover of this are a number of ferns and other beautiful plants and forming a background for the entire display is a drop curtain made of red and green fringe interspersed with streamers of silver threads.

The entire window is very beautiful and artistic.

LI-FU-KLUN LAUNCHES COMMUNIST ATTACK

HONG KONG, China, Dec. 12.—General Li-Fu-Klun, king of Honan Island, today launched a strong counter-attack against communist laborers who yesterday seized Canton, looted and burned many business establishments and killed scores of policemen.

Henry M. Leland Suit Against Ford For \$6,000,000 Opens

By United Press.
PONTIAC, Mich., Dec. 12.—A pageant of men and money opened today in the Oakland circuit court when counsel for Henry Ford and Henry M. Leland engaged in the opening skirmish of a \$6,000,000 lawsuit brought against Ford by Leland.

Charging a breach of faith Leland seeks to compel Ford to reimburse the stockholders of the old Lincoln Motor company which Leland headed and Ford bought in 1921 from a federal receiver for \$8,000,000.

Eastland Clubs Favor Direction Signs Over City

The movement started some weeks ago by the Eastland Rotary and Lions clubs to have "direction" signs put up on the streets leading out of the city, is making some headway.

"Jinks" Garrett, chairman of the Rotary club committee appointed for the purpose of working out some plan to get the signs put up, made a report on the matter at today's meeting of the Rotary club.

Members of the Eastland city commission, who are members of the Rotary club and who were present at today's meeting indicated that the city commission could be depended upon to assist in putting up the signs.

After much discussion the matter was passed until such time as it could again be brought before the commission.

Mrs. Erie Johnson and Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins appeared before the Rotary club and made an appeal on the club to use the crossing on the Texas & Pacific railroad just east of the passenger depot rather than the crossing west of the freight depot, in going out to the country club as being much safer than the west crossing.

The program committee for next Monday's meeting is composed of "Jinks" Garrett, chairman; Bill Gupson, Dr. C. H. Carter and Erie Johnson.

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WHEAT SPRING FARMER WILL TERRACE FARM

J. H. (Hill) Guy, progressive farmer of the Wheat Spring community, northeast of Carbon about four miles, was in Eastland today to see County Agent Patterson in regard to some terracing he wishes done on his farm. Arrangements were made with the county agent to assist with the starting of the work next Thursday morning.

DISTANCE RUNNER IS STILL HOLDING TO LIFE

DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 12.—Loren Murchison, distance runner, held grimly to life today surprising physicians by his stamina. He has been in a critical condition from blood infection for several days and has been in acoma much of the time.

SESSION TO BE HELD IN STREETS OF CITY

Speaker Cheered For Street Meeting Decision

GOVERNOR TAKES COMMAND GUARD

Veteran Newspaper Correspondent Is Thrown Out

By United Press.
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 12.—Dispersed by members of the national guard, 85 members of the Oklahoma legislature meeting in extraordinary session left the capital at 10:30 a. m. to meet down town.

No announcement was made as to where the session would be held.

"I'll meet the members of the house on the public streets of Oklahoma City," speaker Hill announced.

Following a conference with Adjutant General Barrett at which time leaders of the house demanded the right to meet in peaceful and orderly assembly Hill was allowed to go through the guard lines on the fourth floor to make the announcement.

Speaker Hill spoke dramatically: "We have been denied the privilege of assembling in our own chamber and both the senate and house are now in charge of the military department of the governor and they have refused us permission to enter."

He made this statement in the face of the proclamation of Governor Henry S. Johnston, target of five impeachment charges alleging incompetency and to commission of a felony, ordering Adjutant General Charles Barrett to use force if necessary to destroy the treasonable session.

The governor has assumed command of the military forces. Speaker Hill continued:

"I have no disposition to forcibly resist the military arm of the state government.

"We have no other purpose in meeting here except to peacefully and orderly conduct our business. We will now disperse and I'll meet the members of the house on the public streets of Oklahoma City."

Hill, a short, slight and delicate figure of ten years in the legislature was cheered at the close of the announcement.

The rotunda of the state house was topped off at 10 a. m. in an effort to halt assembly.

The military order prevents more than four persons meeting and conversing together in the building. State house department employees marched to get their mail in single file and under guard.

R. M. McClintock, veteran state house correspondent was thrown out of the building by order of Captain Fowles of the guard when he asked to see the orders under which the troops were dispersing as many as four persons.

He was admitted again when it was explained he represented the press.

KINGSVILLE MAN DEAD IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

By United Press.
CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 12.—W. H. Shaw, 26, Kingsville, Texas, was instantly killed late Sunday when his automobile overturned near here. His neck was broken.

Murdoch Brown, H. B. Hollyfield and King Reynolds, who were riding with Shaw escaped with minor injuries.

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ADVERTISE TEXAS.
The "All-Texas Ways and Means Committee" is planning a tour of southern states for the purpose of acquainting that section of the country with the agricultural, commercial and industrial opportunities of the state. A meeting is to be held by the members of the committee in Dallas on Jan. 9 for the purpose of discussing such a trip. It is to be hoped that the committee will decide to make the tour, for it would mean much to the state.

The All-Texas Ways and Means Committee is the outgrowth of the "All-Texas Special" which during last June and July made a tour of the commercial and industrial centers of the northern and eastern states and the proposed southern tour is something of a follow-up of the tour of last summer.

The people of Texas have been told repeatedly by business leaders of other sections of the country that they are too modest in the matter of advertising the opportunities of this state. In a good-natured manner they have been rebuked for not telling the rest of the country of the wonderful opportunities that exist here—opportunities that need development.

We believe that people should stop boasting about the size of Texas and start advertising the agricultural and industrial advantages of the state. The size of the state is no particular accomplishment of the people of Texas, but the development of the natural resources of the state could be cited as a distinct accomplishment.

We believe that the farmers of other sections of the country who are trying to make a living on more or less worn out farms should be made acquainted with the opportunities of the deep rich soils of this state. We believe they should be encouraged to come here and start to work on lands that have never known the touch of agriculture.

It is true that every year Texas produces approximately one-fourth of the entire cotton output of the United States. But that fact is due largely to the size of the state. There are other sections of the country that produce just as much cotton per acre as Texas does, and possibly some sections that produce more per acre. But the fact remains that Texas could be made to produce more cotton per acre than it is producing if scientific and systematic farming principles were employed.

Texas should get behind the proposed tour of the southern states and see that it is put over in the proper manner.

Burglars and highwaymen are by no means sluggish in business methods, for they are now adding considerable spice and variety to their profession. Chicago has its kissing burglar and recently a highwayman in New York took the telephone number of a young lady victim and later asked for a date. Chicago's kissing burglar invariably kissed the woman after he robbed their homes. One woman is said to have died of fright. Both of these enterprising young criminals, however, have been arrested. The young lady in New York permitted the highwayman to call but she had a reception committee of city policemen waiting for him.

Had you noticed the absence of bank robberies in Texas the past two weeks? Ranger Captain Tom Hickman sizes up the situation thus: The bank robbers are afraid of each other. They are afraid that one of the crew will reveal their plans to the officers for a cut in on the \$5,000 reward offered by the bankers of Texas. After all, it is the money the bank robbers are out for and if one of them can cut in on a \$5,000 or \$10,000 reward with an officer or two without taking any chances, it sounds better to him than taking chances of cutting in on a questionable amount of bank loot.

Gripings

By GUS

Our friend, "A Reader," comes forth to explain his contentions and we are glad to afford him opportunity to speak his piece, for we are cognizant of the fact that everybody don't see things alike.
Dear Gus:
Referring to my letter and your answer to same in Thursday's Times, it is remarkable how entirely at one you and I are on one subject, viz: "The streets should be free to all." The trouble lies in our being at such variance as to the meaning of the term.
Possibly those who read my letter may not have discerned the exact attitude I take, so I beg space to explain.
I claim the streets should be free to all for driving and parking. (Also for pedestrians—if they are willing to take the chance.) By "parking" I do not mean constant occupancy of both sides of blocks of our streets by herds of cars that are for sale, leaving only a narrow passage down the center for traffic, and "nary a chance" for any one else to nos'e in for a short stop. This is monopoly, and does not leave the streets free to all.
Furthermore, if it is right to allow one person or firm to conduct his business in the street, why not all? In writing as I have of both the car and the derrick, I'm sure I have voiced the sentiments of many. Here's hoping some of the mourners will come forward and bear me out in my contentions.
A READER.

All right, you have it your way now, and we'll have it ours when we get by ourselves. The workmen are going ahead with the erection of the derrick today. K. C. Jones must be figuring on moving another house, he was advising to us about the derrick Saturday night.
We had the pleasure of seeing the new Ford this morning. It's got the keenest steering wheel you ever saw. The one we saw didn't have any crank on it either. There'll be plenty of them by the time we get able to buy one, it being expected that the old Spirit of Ranger can wheeze out 30 or 40 thousand miles more before we would think of parting from it.

Our landlady created quite a sensation in certain places when she was seen driving a car of similar make one day last week. She was asked if she had had to take the Spirit of Ranger in on the rent.

SOCIETY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

Rainbow Girls meet at Masonic temple at 7:30 o'clock.
Retail Merchants' association meets at the Gholson hotel at 7:30 p. m.
Goodfellows meet at 7:30 o'clock, Chamber of Commerce.
TUESDAY.
Young School Parent-Teacher association meets at 3:45 p. m.
Tuesday Bridge club meets with Mrs. R. J. Norman at 2:30 p. m.
Sunday school class banquet at Methodist church in the evening; Mr. Sanders, teacher.
Junior New Era club meets with Mrs. R. B. Campbell at 7:30 o'clock.

LUCILE POTTS HAS REAL CHRISTMAS PARTY.
Lucile Potts had a real Christmas party Saturday afternoon in honor of her ninth birthday. The Potts home at 516 Mesquite street was turned into real fairyland with a chimney and everything. The living and dining rooms of the house were elaborately decorated with red and green and the dining table where the children were served jello topped with whipped cream and cherries, was centered with a miniature Christmas tree, glowing and sparkling with many Christmas tapers.

But the real sensation of the afternoon was provided by a fireplace, where old Santa had left a pack of lovely gifts for the little honoree. A mythical wood fire burned in the grate and one could imagine that Old St. Nick had just disappeared up the fireplace, it was so realistically carried out.

Christmas cards were given as favors of Helen Fox, Earline Martin, Roberta Jarvis, Billie Barrett, Nellie Hubbard, Ora Lee and Alice Ratliff, Mary Brooks, Louise and Arrie Sharp Jr., Juanita, Margaret Wanall and Woodward Adkins, Roy Jones, F. C. and Terrell Williamson, Mickey and James Brown, Frank, Judia, Geneva and Clyde Potts Jr.

Mrs. Clyde Potts, mother of little Lucile, was assisted in entertaining by Mmes. E. E. Martin, Allen Fox and Frank Williamson.

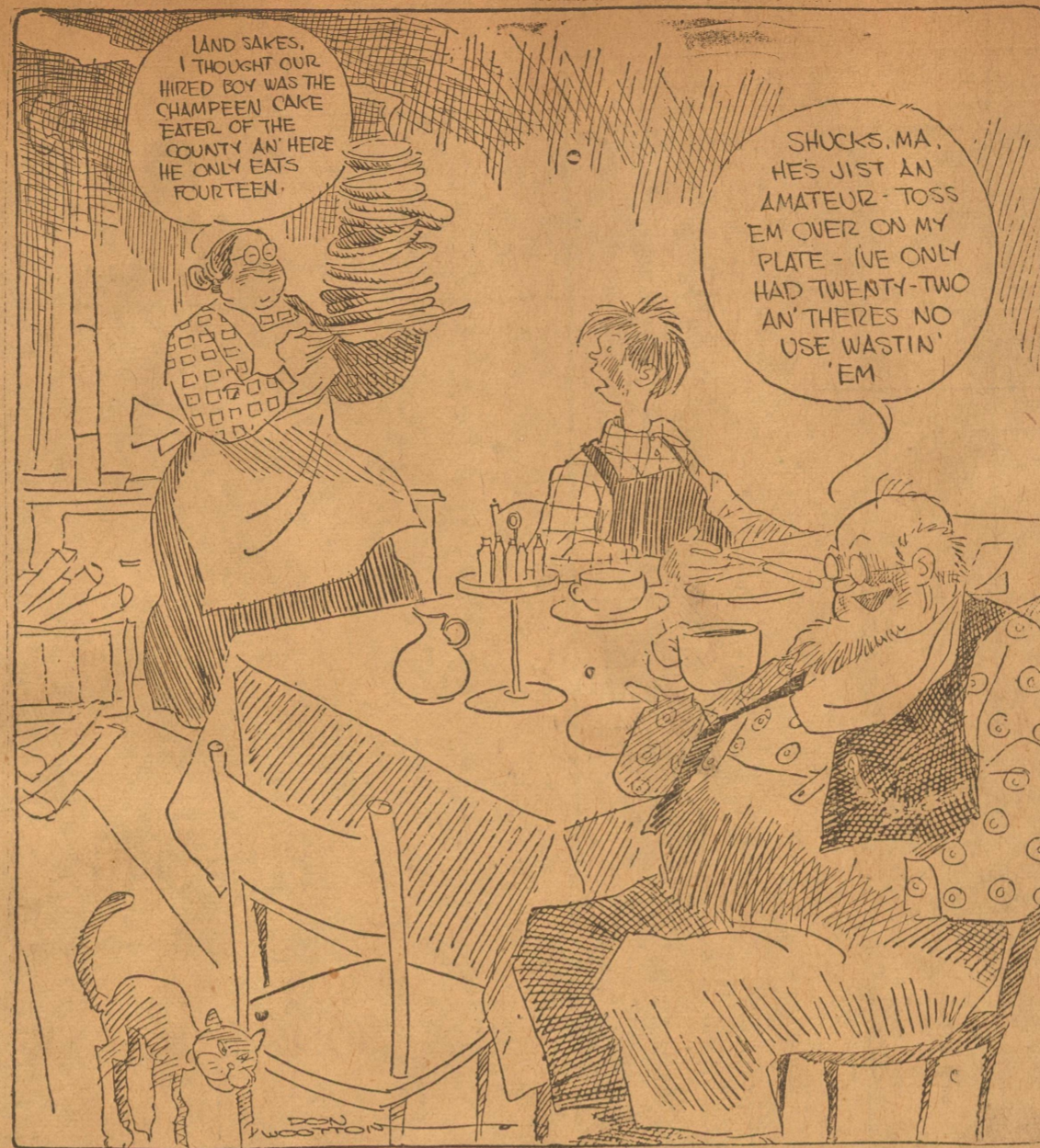
YOUNG MATRONS' BRIDGE CLUB ANNOUNCEMENT.
The Young Matrons' Bridge club will not meet any more this year but will meet on the first Wednesday after new year with Mrs. Charles Conley. Members please take notice.

HODGES OAK PARK P. T. A. MEETING.
Hodges Oak Park Paret-Teacher association will meet on Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 at the school. All members are urged to be present.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TO HAVE STUNT NIGHT.
Tuesday night at the First Methodist church the Good Fellowship class, taught by Mr. Sanders, will observe stunt night. All members of the class are asked to come in costume and prizes will be given for the most original costume as well as for the cleverest stunts.
A banquet will start off the evening's program.

PERSONALS.
Mrs. O. W. Hanson, Mrs. C. W. Redwood and Alice Harrison Luicell in Grant, Bertha Parish, motored to Dallas Saturday to attend the girls reserves entertainment.

Mother Gets Out the Morning Addition



Ranger Will Have Derrick Rebuilt And Decorated

The big steel oil derrick which was erected on Main street, Ranger, at the intersection of Commerce street, during the Jubilee, is like the Irishman, "On even, off again, Flannigan."
It was erected and stood sentinel over the vast crowd that came to Ranger for the Jubilee. At night the lights on its tower could be seen for miles and it was agreed generally that the derrick was a live advertisement for Ranger.
Then came dissatisfaction. Some thought it endangered life and property, others thought it interfered with house moving, and finally the derrick was sold by Kinney Manufacturing company. Then after it was dismantled folks began to miss it and now it's going up again.
The derrick will be lit up for Christmas in red and green lights and a huge Christmas tree may adorn the interior of the base, however, these plans will be worked out at a meeting of the Retail Merchants association tonight.

CONSTABLE'S SALE. THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland.

By virtue of a certain execution issued out of the honorable county court at law for Eastland county, on the 9th day of December, 1927, by R. L. Jones, clerk of said court, upon a judgment in favor of Mrs. Cora Preslar for the sum of Three Hundred Fourteen and 24/100 (\$314.24) Dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 4619 in said court, styled Mrs. Cora Preslar versus Mrs. R. H. Hansford and et al., and placed in my hands for service, I, C. C. Hamilton, constable Precinct No. 2 of Eastland county, Texas, did on the 10th day of December, 1927, levy on certain real estate situated in Eastland county, described as follows, to-wit:
Lots 3 and 4, in block 4, Ray addition to city of Ranger, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said Mrs. R. H. Hansford and husband, R. H. Hansford, and on Tuesday, the 3rd day of January, 1928, at the courthouse door of Eastland county, in the city of Eastland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., I will sell said lots of land at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Mrs. R. H. Hansford and husband, R. H. Hansford, by virtue of said levy and said execution.
And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in the Ranger Daily Times, a newspaper published in Eastland county.
Witness my hand, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1927.
C. C. HAMILTON,
Constable, Prec. No. 2, Eastland County, Texas.
Dec. 12-19-26.

EASTLAND C. C. BOARD MEETING CALLED TODAY
The board of directors of the Eastland chamber of commerce was called to meet this afternoon at the Masonic Temple building at 1:30 o'clock at which time matters of importance were to be discussed.

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RISEING STAR PIG AND POULTRY SHOW AWARDS
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Peak Clug General Exhibit—Second prize.
House Dresses—Mrs. J. E. Bolding, first; Mrs. D. W. Jacobs, second.
Pillow Cases—White—Mrs. D. M. Jacobs, first; Mrs. J. E. Bolding, second.
Pillow Cases, Colored—Mrs. J. T. Coursey, first; Mrs. B. M. Coursey, second.
Child's Dress, Silk—Mrs. I. E. Hodnett, first.

Child's Dress, Wool—Mrs. J. W. Tune, first.
Table Linen—Mrs. J. N. Bowden, first.
Braided Rugs—Mrs. S. P. Venable, first; Mrs. C. W. Ellis, second.
Hooked Rugs—Mrs. D. M. Jacobs, first.
Lunch Cloth, Colored—Mrs. J. E. Bolding, first; Mrs. Milton, second.

NOTICE
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WASHINGTON LETTER

By **RODNEY DUTCHER**,
NEA Service Writer.
WASHINGTON.—From all the international discussion in recent weeks of the possibility of abolishing war, comes no indication that the world will do more than nibble at the edges of the problem of permanent world peace.

The situation boils down to the questions of how war can be ended and why it won't be. There are certain fundamental causes of war which the generally camouflaged when a war gets going. Imperialism, inspired by greed for trade, natural resources and territory, has been named as the worst.

No one seems to be proposing a general elimination of the causes of war, and it might, in fact, prove impossible, for certainly no nation is going to give up the fruits of its imperialistic policies in the past and the prospects of a drastic reform of the international economic system are dim. An allocation of the world's natural resources has been suggested, but no one seems interested. The remedy is being sought in plans designed to keep the causes of war from operating.

Getting into the realm of practical possibilities, it quickly becomes apparent that the remedies employed to date haven't worked. The world fought a "war to end war" and today there is as much war talk in Europe as ever.

Disarmament conferences have gotten nowhere. The Washington arms conference has since been interpreted merely as a British naval victory, although at the time it kept peace in the Pacific; it limited large battleships and the same old problems remain, with cruisers, submarines, airplanes and land forces still unlimited. The recent Anglo-American-Japanese cruiser conference at Geneva flopped and the League of Nations' various efforts toward disarmament and peace seem to have proved equally fruitless.

Equibalanced reduction of all armaments, if ever achieved, may be a step in the right direction and will save money during peacetime, but the prospects of a fight are just as good whether each of several men have one gun or two.

The league has done good work in heading off some small wars, some of which might have spread if allowed to go on, but its efficacy in the face of another world war like the last remains to be proved.

Pacts binding nations to boycott the aggressor nation in future wars have been suggested, but nations always claim to fight only for defense and even the question of war guilt in the great European struggle which began 13 years ago remains unsettled. Anti-aggression pacts might force the United States to abandon its neutrality even in cases where only a hair-line existed between aggression and non-aggression. They seem to leave the way open for and even to encourage all sorts of camouflage and skulduggery by scheming nations.

Soviet Russia's proposal at Geneva for universal disarmament was too good to be true. No other nation has embraced it and it is to be considered in the light of the fact that Russia herself always is happy to stir up a bloody internecine class war elsewhere when it can be done.

Imperialistic nations have too much at stake to agree to anything save in the saddle. At best they like that, and imperialistic nations would demand an enforced permanency of the status quo.

Could Britain withdraw from China, India, Egypt, and other lands rather than wage war against native populations demanding autonomy? Could Japan and France abandon territories or spheres of influence where they now hold their positions by armed forces?

Could the United States even accept the proposal scheduled to be made at the Havana Pan-American conference forbidding armed occupation of one American republic's territory by another—could she withdraw from Haiti and Nicaragua and promise never to do it again? Would Italy abandon her fascist dreams of power and territorial expansion?

She's Deputy



"Miss Carmie G. Waterston of Montpelier, O., is the newest deputy United States marshal in the northern district of Ohio. She won't tote a gun, however, her principal weapons being pencil and typewriter."

A general affirmative answer is impossible. The great powers cannot yet be expected to give up the old game of gobbling the weak which has been played since the beginning of time and complete disarmament would mean their loss of a large part of the world now ruled as conquered territory.

By **RODNEY DUTCHER**,
NEA Service Writer.
WASHINGTON.—The government's Bureau of Labor Statistics, from its name, might be expected to have nothing on hand in its annual report except plenty of dull reading.

But the bureau is the Labor Department's fact-finding division and if you would know the trend of wages the extent of unemployment and the ups and downs of the cost of living, read on.

Roughly speaking, the bureau's report shows that the cost of living has gone down more proportionately than wages have, but that industry is getting along with fewer workers than it did eight years ago.

Shoe workers, for instance, averaged \$25.47 a full-time week in 1926, an average increase of 95.4. Cotton mill workers averaged \$17.48, working an average of 53.3 hours a week, after an average increase of 191.8 per cent. between 1913 and 1920 and a drop of 29.7 per cent. since. Highest earners are the mule spinners at 65 cents an hour and the lowest the spooler tenders at 19 cents. Woolen mill workers averaged \$24.21, after increasing 253 per cent and dropping 20.2 per cent in the same period.

In these industries, it should be pointed out, there has been considerable curtailments, so that the actual average income probably is considerably lower.

The bureau finds that iron and steel workers averaged \$34.41 a full time week, automobile workers \$34.37 and hosiery and underwear workers \$22.73. Average union wages per hour in some principal trades included bricklayers \$1.56, carpenters, \$1.28, plasterers \$1.60, plumbers, \$1.38, compositors, \$1.20, painters, \$1.30, bankers, 92 and chauffeurs, 66.

Unemployment in recent months has begun to bother some of those in the Labor Department and the number of unemployed has been placed as high as 8,000,000. It is estimated that there were 12,000,000 persons at work in factories in 1919 and only 8,500,000 now. Business is not quite so good in the first place, but the increase in productivity per man per hour has been the most important factor.

Taking even 1923 as a normal year, the bureau's tables show a 10 per cent falling off in the number employed in manufacturing industries. Population, however, has increased. Going back to 1919, and pursuing the general average to the present time, it would appear that population had increased 10 per cent and that the wage earners per 1000 population had decreased in number more than 20 per cent. But in 1925, the last

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year for which this computation is available, these workers produced 34 per cent more goods per man than in 1919.

The cost of living is still practically 75 per cent higher than in 1913, figuring from the average worker's standpoint, but it is much lower than in the first part of 1920. Taking 100 per cent for the 1913 average, the bureau gives 175.6 as the index figure for the last six months of 1926 and 173.4 for the first six months of 1927. The peak, recorded in December, 1920, was 216.5, but in 1922 it went as low as 166.3.

In those industries studied by the bureau, wages have kept well ahead of the higher cost of living, in proportion. Much of the difference is going into installment buying. Incidentally, food is estimated to require some 38 per cent of the average family's expenditure.

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SPORTSMATTER
BY **FRANK GETTY**
UNITED PRESS SPORTS EDITOR

Anti-Overemphasis.
The most remarkable performance of the past football season was that of Art Sampson who is in charge of gridiron affairs at Tufts college.

Sampson, in his second year as a football coach, decided that there was something to all the talk of "over-emphasis." Maybe the boys were talked to a little too seriously. They didn't get enough fun out of it. They came to practice tired and wary of more bruises, with bodies which shrank involuntarily from contact with tackling dummy or charging machine. They went into Saturday games with strained faces and taut nerves. They emerged sore and weary, driven to further effort only by sentiment which demanded that they "give all for dear old Tufts."

So Sampson decided to strike out on an entirely new system, one which was all his own. He had the tackling dummy flung into a corner of the gymnasium basement and the charging machine hauled out of sight behind the laboratory.

Scrimmage was reduced to a minimum and abolished altogether once the team found itself "tag" football games in which prizes were awarded for blocking and perfection in interference, were substituted for the customary training grind. The training table was abolished.

"The kids probably would be sick of each other if they ate together every meal," Sampson surmised.

Well, results speak for themselves. Sampson's team was well-trained in fundamentals, rhythm and signals. It went through its schedule without once being beaten or tied.

Undoubtedly a number of other coaches will tend towards Sampson's system next season. Probably none will go quite as far as the Tufts coach, who took his squad to the movie or for a hike in Middlesex Fells instead of driving the boys through a severe grass drill.

Big Spring Woman Dies In Eastland Daughter's Home

Mrs. Jennie Tucker, 61 years old, died late Sunday night, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hillen Simmons, Eastland.

Mrs. Tucker, whose home is in Big Spring had been ill for a few weeks and arrived in Eastland Sunday morning about 12 o'clock for a visit with her daughter. She died at 11:20 Sunday night.

Mrs. Tucker was born in Tennessee and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Fannin of that State. Funeral services will be held at Big Spring Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The body will be forwarded to that city today on the Sunshine Special and will be accompanied by relatives from Eastland.

Besides her husband, Ed C. Tucker of Big Spring, Mrs. Tucker is survived by two sisters, Mrs. D. A. Winham of Eastland and Mrs. R. L. Reynolds of El Paso, and one brother, Andrew Fannin of Gorman, and the following sons and daughters, Mrs. G. W. Sikes, San Angelo; Mrs. C. Hillen Simmons, Eastland; Miss Imogene Tucker, Big Spring; J. L. Tucker, Fort Worth; W. A. Tucker, San Angelo; Andrew C. Tucker, Big Spring; Chas. Tucker and J. A. Tucker of Big Spring.

WACO.—A barbecue contest for the benefit of the negro rescue home in East Waco will close the two day session of the Texas Managing Editors association here this afternoon.

More than 30 editors of Texas papers have been in attendance at the meeting which opened Sunday. The editors will act as judges of the barbecue contest and negro cooks from Dallas and Waco will participate. The Waco Times-Herald and Waco News-Tribune acted as hosts to the convention.

BILLY EVANS' SPORT TALK

Minors Have Trouble.
The annual cry of the minor leagues relative to the scarcity of ball players was loudly heard all over the state of Texas during the recent convulse in Dallas.

The college yell offered as an alibi for the difficulty experienced by the minors in getting players, was laid to the activities of the majors.

It is claimed the major league scouts, with their unlimited bank roll tie up the college stars and make it impossible for the minor league, particularly the smaller ones, to do business of any kind.

The minors also point to the fact that the major league clubs, 16 of them, with a player limit of 400 each, control 640 ball players at the beginning of each season.

All of which is true. However, the majors, as a matter of self preservation, have been forced to do this because of apparent inability to agree with the minors on various questions pertaining to draft and price.

In order to meet the situation facing them, the majors have gone into the matter of scouting players in a most extensive manner.

Barnard Has Plan.
Because of the need of a place to develop these players, a great many major league clubs are buying minor league franchises of various classification to take care of their assorted players.

While talking the situation over at the Dallas meeting with President E. S. Barnard of the American league, he unfolded to me a plan that would protect the minors, put them in line to make good money and, best of all, protect them against the scarcity of players, which has been a real handicap since the war.

It is the scheme of President Barnard that the minor leagues, particularly those of possibly the last three classifications, go about the matter of getting players as systematically as the majors.

President Barnard suggests these leagues employ an official scout, who shall represent the league rather than any club in the organization.

During the progress of the season this scout shall scour the territory covered by his league as well as adjacent states.

If the expense involved is not too great, he shall confine his work to the amateurs, smaller colleges and semi-professional ranks. Out of the league treasury he shall take care of the expense involved in getting these players, signing them up at the fairest salary possible.

At some time designated by the league, either during the season or at the close, these players shall be allotted to the various clubs by lottery.

President Barnard's first thought was the president should allot the players. He later changed this idea to disposing of them through the lottery system, so there would be no chance for charges of favoritism.

It strikes me that the plan of the American League president is one that the minors must ultimately adopt to keep in the running and be protected on the matter of players.

Page Mr. Squirrel!



He's stolen Mr. Squirrel's stuff, has Montgomery Holladay, former Dartmouth College trackster. Using spiked running shoes, he thus scampers straight up palm trees down Miami Beach, Fla. way.

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Andy Anderson, spoke at the First Methodist church, S. E. Baker at the First Baptist, K. F. Holloway at the Christian, N. White at the Church of Christ and Edwin George at the Central Baptist.

The talks were snappy but concise. This afternoon the tree planting campaign committee will meet at the chamber of commerce office at 3 o'clock to go into the various details of the campaign.

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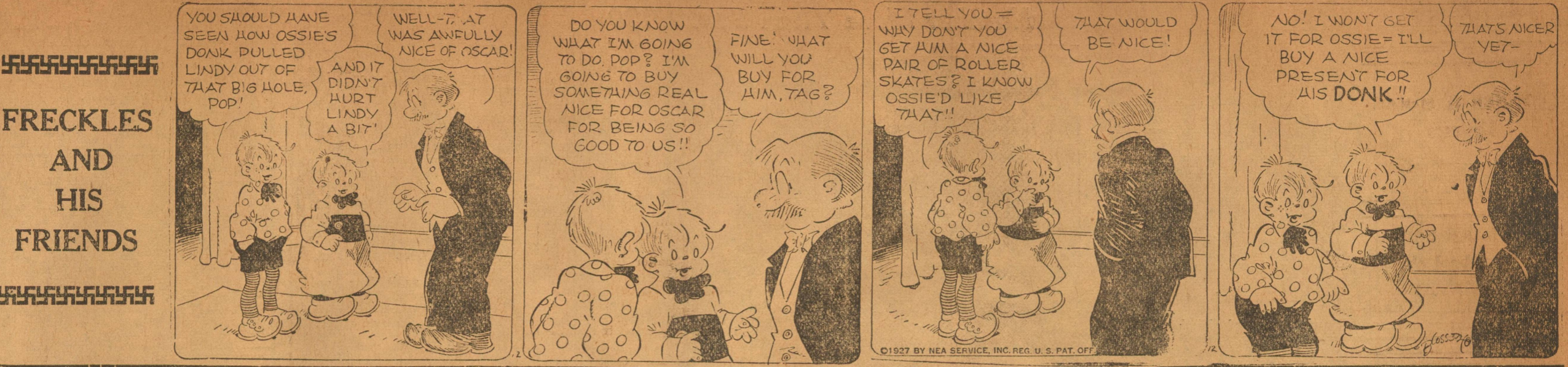
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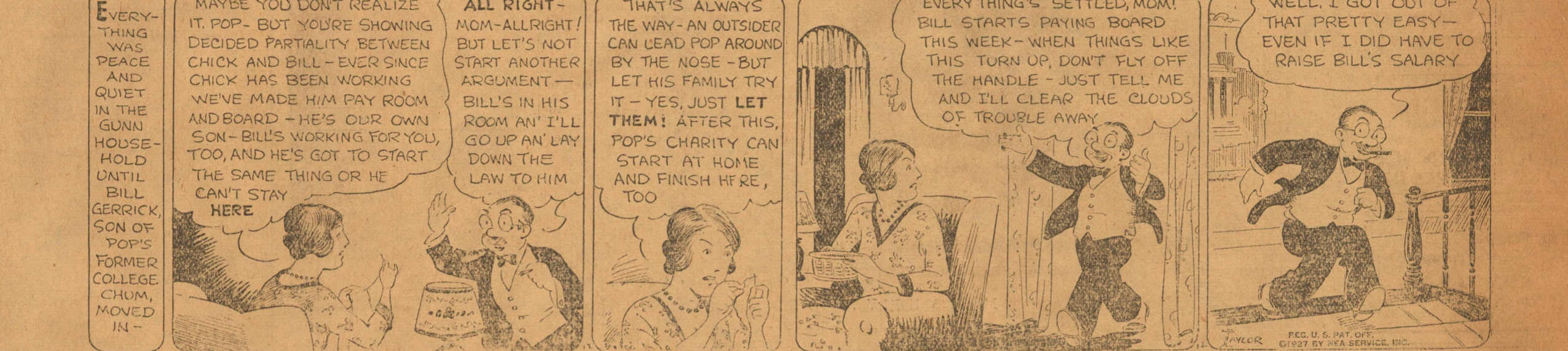
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There were hoarse, excited cries. "Get a rope."

"He's headed for the Line."

"Where's my horse?"

They had picked up Jeff Harrison and laid him down on a blanket and thrown another one over him. Now, being directly addressed, Tony looked up into the broad-shouldered cowboy's face and voiced the question uppermost in his mind. "Where did Benton go?"

For a moment Craig seemed surprised. Then his lips widened in a slow smile as he said, "I'm liking you better every minute. Benton's probably crossed the Line into Indian territory. You see, there ain't any state authorities there. You have to have a federal warrant to get a man out of the territory, and getting a federal warrant is what you might call a tedious process."

He led the boy toward the door. "We're going over to your cabin now and pack your belongings. Bill," he said to Gordon Lillie, "if you'll stay here and help the boys cash in Jeff Harrison's chips I'd count it a favor. And you might preserve the cards he held when he was shot. You boys," he told the other Bar K riders, "had better be riding back to the ranch. I expect you were sort of counting on not having to go back till tomorrow, but—"

"That's all right, Joe. We'll be right glad to start fixin' up a comfortable bunk for the young man. And we can tell the colonel—"

"Thank you, Heck. As for the colonel, I wouldn't tell him nothing, except that I was detained."

Jeff Harrison was buried the next day. Joe Craig, having personally rounded up a minister and instructed him to do as fine a job as he could.

"At the same time," he added. "I'd kind of like you to be brief. I don't like to deprive the deceased of anything that's coming to him, but I'm thinking of the boy."

The minister smiled. He was young and lately from Kansas City and still profoundly shocked at the wickedness of the town which had sprung from the prairie to inherit from Abilene, Hays and Dodge City the notoriety that had been theirs in turn of being the wildest camp on God's footstool.

At Craig's request he was both eloquent and brief. Craig thanked him and fed him liberally, and promised his moral aid, if need be, physical assistance in the young minister's avowed intention of trying to christianize the town.

"I'm for you all the way," Joe Craig assured him, "I don't live in Caldwell and I'm not aiming to. A man like me feels sort of cramped at the thought of living any nearer than ten miles to his next door neighbor. But the decent folks here are in the majority and they're trying to get along peaceable like and tend to their business. They want to make a living and raise children and amount to something, and this here riotous bunch that's swarmed in is clogging the wheels of progress. I'm not denying that the beef industry has contributed somewhat to the general state of delinquency. Some of the boys feel like they had to spill over when they come into town for a spree after riding the range for

CHAPTER II

Harrison, in the act of rising from the table, collapsed upon it, his right hand still fumbling for the holster beneath his arm pit.

Confusion descended on the place. Men came running from the bar, from adjacent tables. The taro bands was deserted and the chant of the croupier as he announced the deuces of chance at the wheel was stilled. Through it all, but two things were heard distinctly by Gordon Lillie: the voice of Tony Harrison as he rushed toward his fallen father and the voice of Benton saying "I call on you to witness that I was drawing when I fired. It was a fair fight."

"A fair fight!" Lillie exclaimed to himself bitterly. It was cunning, brutal murder. It was cunning, brutal murder.

Tony Harrison was clutching frantically at his father's shoulders, begging the fallen man to speak to him. With an effort, Jeff Harrison moved his lips. "Anthony," he gasped, "Anthony—" Then he was still, and Tony Harrison threw his arms around him and pressed his face against the lifeless cheeks.

An angry murmur of voices broke about Benton, who, still holding his gun, was backing toward the door and repeating, "He was drawing! I beat him to the draw!"

There were those who seemed to be not wholly satisfied with the explanation. Technically he had shot in self defense, for Harrison undoubtedly had been reaching for his own weapon. On the other hand Benton had hurled a deadly insult at a man while his own hand was on his gun, had invited him, so to speak, to commit suicide if he so much as made a threatening move.

Benton's two companions had moved close beside him, their guns drawn, and were retreating with him toward the street. Still no one made a move toward the killer.

Someone moved over to where Harrison lay sprawled across the table and pressed his hand against the gambler's chest. "Dead," he announced with a shake of his head.

Tony Harrison whirled suddenly, his face contorted, his eyes blazing toward his father. His hand darted to the holster beneath his fathers coat and it now brandished the heavy six-shooter.

"Why didn't you kill him, some of you?" he cried, his eyes searching for Benton. But that worthy, flanked by his two cronies, had made good his retreat.

The boy tore at Lillie's restraining hand. "Where is he?" he cried, and dashed for the door. "Come back here," he shouted at Benton. Then he leveled the weapon and fired.

There was a shout, and an answering shot. A bullet tore into the framework of the doorway against which he was clearly outlined. Then came the sound of galloping hoofs, followed a little later by more shots.

town has come to regard human life too careless. The marshal was killed let me look after you, unless you have got some relatives you'd rather go to. I liked your daddy a powerful lot in the short time I knew him. I'm aiming to take you back to the Bar K with me and give you a horse to ride and make a cow puncher out of you. How about it?"

The boy during all this had stood a silent, tragic figure, his eyes fixed

"Why didn't you kill him, some of you?" he cried

Only a few had chanced, like Benton, to tether their horses outside the saloon, and these he had forethought enough to untie and run off. Those who could find their mounts pursued the fleeing trio, but two hours later they returned empty-handed to find Joe Craig, self-appointed guardian of the boy and boss of the situation, reviling those about him for not killing Benton the moment he had fired.

"But, Joe, it happened so quick. I didn't think he'd have the nerve."

"And Harrison was drawing on him when he fired."

"You all make me sick," Craig said angrily. "It was murder. Wish to God I'd been here." He exhibited his hat, drawing the top of which a bullet had drilled two clean holes.

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"If you'd only say that from my pulpit some time," the minister interrupted. "It encourages me to feel that a man like you is on the side of righteousness. It would do more good than any sermon I could preach."

"Who, me?" Craig stared at him and reddened beneath his tan like a bashful boy. "Why, mister, I'd stampeed your whole congregation if I was to mount that platform of yours. Come on, Tony," he laid a gentle hand on the boy, who was kneeling beside the fresh grave.

Gordon Lillie, between whom and Joe Craig the son of Jeff Harrison had stood while the funeral service was being read, trailed along with them. It was time, he reflected to be

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Santa Claus Gets Letter From Old Fashioned Girl

A letter that came to the Ranger Santa Claus' desk this morning makes one believe that there are still some old-fashioned little girls left. This little girl, who is Gladys Larson, wants a "pastry set, a big, pretty doll, and a cradle for her." She is a generous little girl also, for she asks Santa to bring her little brother a kiddy car, a teddy, a negro doll, some blocks, and a horn.
"Also bring us some candy, fruits and nuts. I have tried to be a good girl, dear Santa, and hope you will bring Frederick and me what we want."

A prototype of Wesley Barry states that he has red hair and that he has a lot of freckles on his face, and he writes just the sort of "ho-ho" letter one would expect from a boy of that type.

"I live on the corner of Pecan and Rupert streets. I am 8 years old and I have red hair and lots of freckles on my face.
"I want you to bring me a cowboy suit, pair of ball-bearing skates, a moving van and a fire truck." The letter is signed "J. T. Pitcock."

Two little Ranger boys, Donald and Edward Kliwer, who live at 403 North Austin street, want an electric train, an American fiver, and two drums, "one for him and one for me," a football and two football suits and anything else that Santa will bring.
Claude Hubbard wants a bicycle, a wagon, train, car, horn, truck, steam roller and three boxes of "BB's" and a package of caps and a football and a drum, "because I wanted it all year," and warns Santa not to forget the candy and nuts. He lives at 406 Mesquite street.

CHEVROLET ROADSTER IS STOLEN IN RANGER
It was quiet Sunday at the Ranger police headquarters. A Chevrolet roadster was reported stolen on Saturday night by R. H. Sanders. The car is a 1927 model with a new paint job. It was parked on Pine street and was missed by the owner at about 9:50 Saturday night. License number of the missing car is 300-284.

The Blazing Horizon

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doing much toward keeping the big cattle men out." Where lay the fairness in barring the country to home seekers and at the same time tolerating the presence of the cattle men who were turning much of the Indian territory into grazing land?
Even now the Cherokee Strip, that ribbon of land bordering Kansas and stretching, 60 miles deep, from the Arkansas river to the western boundary of the territory, 200 miles away, was the home of some of the biggest ranches in the southwest. A gigantic cattle industry was in the making; rumors already were afloat that a cattlemen's association was to be formed, to lease millions of acres from the Cherokee nation.

Craig noticed his preoccupation. "What's troubling you, Bill?"
"I was just thinking. All that land down there some day is going to be thrown open for settlement. If you and I are alive it will be a sight worth seeing."

Craig made a scornful reply. "You're a cowboy, he worked for a big cowman, Colonel Titus Moore, thousands of whose cattle were at that moment quietly grazing in the strip. "You're talking nonsense, Bill. Don't you go and absorb any more of those fool ideas of Dave Payne's."

Thus do men ignore the prophets in their midst. A decade more and the first great rush of settlers—tens of thousands of them—was to storm across the barrier into Oklahoma. And Gordon W. Lillie, known to the nation as Pawnee Bill, was to lead them in.

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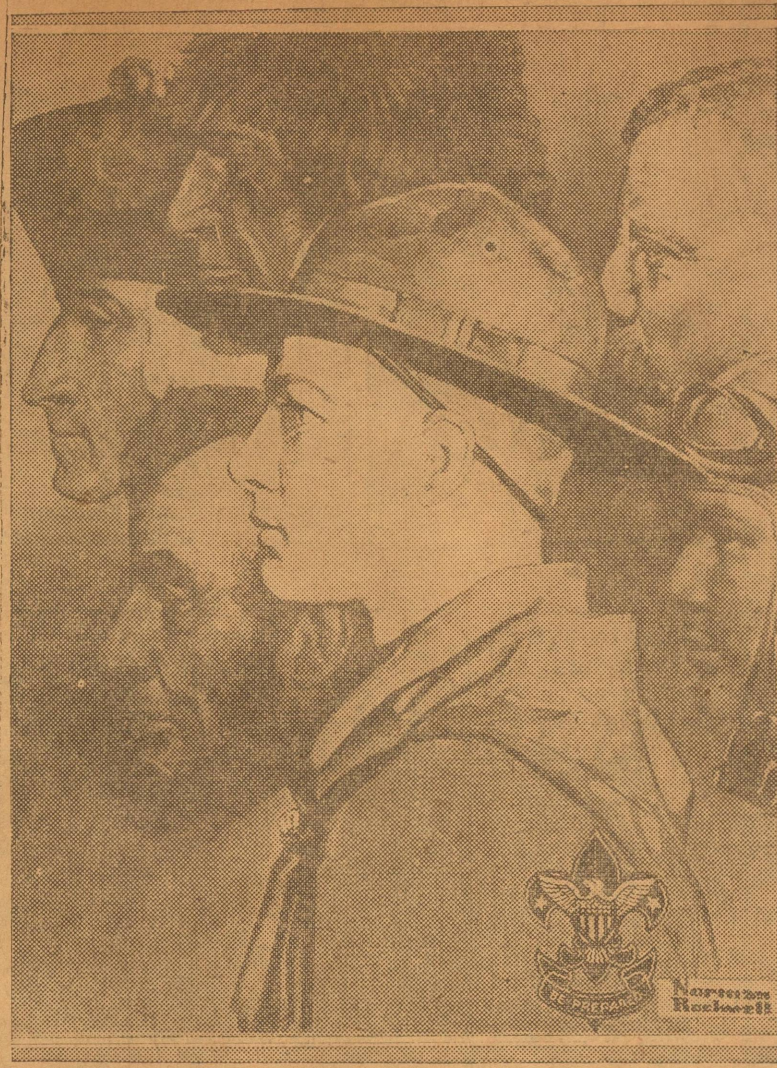
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New York—Heralded as the most widely read boys' book in the world and further reputed to rate next to the Bible in annual book distribution in this country, a new Handbook for Boys will be issued next week for the 650,000 lads who constitute the membership of the Boy Scouts of America.
The book has been produced after years of study to determine what will most help boys to help themselves. Leading educators of the United States have considered the problem, looking to the compilation of a book which would at once interest and instruct boys, and at the same time direct their activities along lines in keeping with the Boy Scout program of character building and training for citizenship duties.
The cover design was drawn by Norman Rockwell, famous illustrator, who has depicted an idealized boy's head, surrounded, in background, with heads of famous Scouts and pioneers including Daniel Boone, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt and newest of this great group of Scouts and pioneers,—Charles A. Lindbergh.
In previous form the Boy Scout Handbook ran through thirty-seven editions and more than 3,000,000 copies were printed. For many years it has gone through the presses at the rate of 200,000 each year. Five million boys have learned their first lessons in the arts of woodcraft and handicraft from its pages. The first edition of the new Handbook will exceed 300,000 copies with immediate reprintings to follow.

Eastland Talent Will Help In Show For Good Fellows

The Ranger Goodfellows fund took a \$15 rise late Saturday afternoon when J. T. Hughes, manager of the Liberty theatre, turned in \$15 on program advertisements. The total amount in the fund at noon today is \$271.09.
The Goodfellows committee did not turn out very good at Saturday's meeting, so they are to try it again this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce office. President B. H. Murphy desires all committees to be present at this meeting.
Plans for the benefit show are well under way and five big acts of vaudeville have already been booked. Two of these will come from Eastland. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bates, former Rangerites, have volunteered to help out the Goodfellows on this occasion by giving "Louie," a skit given by them for the Eastland Elks club last week at stunt night in that city, which was one of the prize winners on that occasion.
Alma Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williamson, and Sister Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Clark of Eastland, will dance the Minuet, one of the pleasing features of the recent Elks charity minstrel at Eastland.
The Goodfellows are determined that there shall be no empty stockings and no empty larders in Ranger. They will help Santa in co-operation with the Child Welfare club find his way to many places he otherwise might pass up. The Goodfellows believe they can relieve suffering and heart-aches on Christmas day, provide necessities for the worthy unfortunate and at the same time make glad the heart of many children with candy and toys.
Those who desire to line up for the Goodfellows cause are asked to either drop their offering in the fruit jars at various places in business in Ranger, or send their contributions to the Goodfellows Fund, Box 818, Ranger.

Mrs. J. C. Dilworth Dies Sunday At Corpus Christi
Mrs. J. C. Dilworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Slack, and sister of Mrs. Catherine Potts of Acorn Acres, Ranger, died at Corpus Christi Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. Funeral services will be held in that city probably this afternoon. On account of Mr. Slack being far from well it was not possible for any members of the family here to attend the service.
The deceased died in the very flower of young womanhood and is survived by her husband, three children, two boys and one girl, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Slack, and one sister, Mrs. Catherine Potts.
Her death was not unexpected, as her condition had been very critical since last Tuesday.

An Oregon man was operated upon, and his stomach was found where his heart should have been. All women who cook for husbands know there isn't a grain of news in that.

Whether or not two days will be observed as a Christmas holiday by the merchants of Ranger and their sales forces will be decided tonight at a meeting of the Retail Merchants' association at a smoker to be held in the green room of the Gholson hotel beginning at 7:30 o'clock.
Mrs. Alice True, secretary of the association, stated today that she hopes that the drug stores, gasoline dealers, grocers and all Ranger merchants, whether members of the association or not, would be present at this meeting.
Christmas falling as it does on Sunday gives the merchant the privilege, if he cares to exercise it of declaring Monday a holiday or of not losing any time from business. Whether it will be a two-day holiday or not will be definitely decided tonight. At the same time the question of what hour the stores will close during the holidays will come up and also when the staying open in the evening program will begin.
Wayne C. Hickey of the Chamber of Commerce will be present at tonight's meeting and announced Saturday that the board of directors of that body had postponed its meeting out of deference to this meeting.
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