

**THE WEATHER.**  
West Texas—Mostly cloudy with rain in extreme west portion tonight; cloudy Thursday, local rains.

A collector paid \$20,000 recently for 50 old books carved in wood. But maybe he plans to open a "branch" library.

## Here and There---

By BOYCE HOUSE.  
These are stirring days in our city and county.

There was the grand jury report whose recommendations doubtless were read with interest by all citizens as it was given, in full, in yesterday's Times.

Then there is the discussion of gas bills. This subject has temporarily replaced football as the chief topic of discussion. When Mayor Thurman called the meeting of the city commission to order last night, there were so many citizens jammed in the hall that even with the mayor standing on the platform, only his head could be seen and when Commissioner Pearson spoke from the floor he was heard but not seen. The public will await with much interest the completion of the investigation into the gas situation and the statement that the gas company will issue when the check-up is completed.

They keep bringing in wells around here. Yesterday a new gasser was completed in the Lacasa territory, north of Ranger. The well was drilled by Urban, McGinnis & O'Donnell and is making 10,500,000 cubic feet of gas at 1,975 feet.

Dr. W. C. Palmer of Ranger has been extended an invitation by Secretary of the Interior Wilbur, at the direction of President Hoover, to attend the national Child Welfare conference in the white house. This is an unusual honor and Ranger citizens are pleased that a fellow townsman has received this distinction.

The present legislature has a chance to win the gratitude of the people of Texas. Senate and house members have expressed a desire for economy. Governor Sterling has expressed himself similarly. It is hoped to hold down the expenditures and, in some instances, to reduce present expenses so that the tax rate may remain the same. Individuals are economizing. Government should do the same. Some ways this can be accomplished are: Don't enlarge the state highway patrol from 50 to 200 members. Don't put up a lot of fine new buildings at state colleges. Put into effect some of the efficiency recommendations of State Auditor Moore Lynn whereby departments can be consolidated. Don't require motorists to pay an extra fee if a driver's license law is passed—the motorist is paying enough taxes now. Abolish the headlight testing law—it does very little good as you can see for yourself by the glaring lights you meet on the highways. Make the maximum that any county official can make a year \$7,500. If that isn't enough to satisfy said official, let him not run for office. And for heaven's sake enforce some of the revenue laws that are already on the statute books. If the average citizen doesn't pay his taxes, his property is sold to meet the taxes. Yet more than 300 telephone companies—for instance—haven't paid their taxes, while they require their customers to pay their bills promptly. And there are other corporations that are not kicking in with their taxes. Equal rights to all, special privileges to none is still a mighty fine doctrine.

# MAN IS TORTURED, BURIED ALIVE

## Two Texas Banks Are Held Up Seek Seven Men

### CUSTOMER IS WOUNDED BY PAMPA YEGG

#### Robbers Flee With \$1,800; Other Stickers Fails; Cashier Shoots.

By United Press.  
PAMPA, Texas, Feb. 4.—Two bandits held up the First State bank of Alanreed, 35 miles south of here and escaped today with \$1,800 after seriously wounding Jim Bryant, 65, when he failed to understand their command to hold up his hands. The bandits entered the bank when it opened at 9 a. m. and ordered E. D. Hedrick, cashier, and Miss Jennie Sherrod, his assistant, to get down on the floor. While they were scooping the money into a flour sack, Bryant walked into the bank. One of the robbers commanded him to put up his hands. Bryant, who is almost deaf, failed to comprehend the situation. He asked the bandit to repeat the command. The robber fired. The bullet penetrated Bryant's abdomen. Bryant was taken to a Clarendon hospital where physicians said he would recover.

A quickly organized posse of deputies and citizens under the leadership of Sheriff Lon L. Blanset began a search throughout the district for the two. All highways are being watched closely. One man was found near Alanreed by the side of an overturned coupe. Posse members returned him to Alanreed for identification.

MEXIA, Feb. 4.—Two unmasked bandits attempted to hold up the Oakwood State bank of Oakwood near here at 11:45 a. m. today, but were frightened away when R. R. Wylie, vice president and cashier, shot at the pair from his desk. The bandits fled from town in an automobile with a posse trailing closely behind. They went in the direction of Buffalo. Wylie was working at his desk when he saw the bandits approach. L. L. Hallie, assistant cashier. After firing one shot, Wylie fired again as they entered their automobile. Wylie believes his second shot struck one of the bandits.

### Ranger Men Return From Corpus Christi

Carl Cooper and J. C. Jones have returned from a business trip to Corpus Christi. "There are many tourists in Corpus Christi spending the winter," Cooper said. "The weather down there is delightful—though it couldn't be much more pleasant than what Ranger is enjoying, at that."

### Chief Figures in Butler Trial



Pictured here are officers who are expected to play principal roles in the court-martial of Major General Smedley D. Butler of the Marines, for remarks he made about Premier Mussolini of Italy. Rear Admiral Louis R. De Steiguer, left, commandant of the Third Naval District, New York, will be president of the court; Captain William C. Watt, upper right, chief of staff of the Fourth Naval District, Philadelphia, has been named chief advocate to prosecute the case; Major Henry Leonard, retired, who once saved Butler's life, has indicated he will accept a request to serve as defense counsel.

### FATHER AND SON LOSE LIVES NEAR EASTLAND

John Foster, 55, and his son, Rufus (Red) Foster, 23, were instantly killed at 5:15 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when the car in which they were riding was struck by the westbound Sunshine Special of the Texas & Pacific railway at a crossing two miles east of Eastland. Rufus had been working as a tool dresser on a well near the crossing where the accident occurred and his father had gone to the well to bring him back to Eastland. The car was completely demolished and wreckage was scattered for a distance of several hundred yards down the tracks. The bodies were taken to undertaking company parlors in Eastland immediately following the accident. The two Fosters live near Flatwoods, about four miles south of Eastland. The elder Foster is survived by his wife and five children, one of whom is Carl Foster, captain of the Eastland Mavericks during the 1929 football season. The younger Foster was unmarried. He was a star lineman of the Eastland football team in 1926. Funeral arrangements had not been completed this morning.

### VANDERBILT SAYS STORY IS THE TRUTH

By United Press.  
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—(Copyright.)—"Sure, it's true," Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr. said in a letter received today regarding the Butler-Mussolini incident. The former publisher, writing a close friend in Los Angeles, said that a visit he had made with Premier Benito Mussolini in 1926 formed a basis for assertions made by General Smedley D. Butler. Vanderbilt for the first time disclosed himself as the source of General Butler's information to the effect that Mussolini's automobile killed a child and moved on without stopping.

### Bank Leader Opponent of Cash Bonus

By United Press.  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Proposals to pay the World War veterans an immediate cash bonus drew further opposition from banking interests today as hearings continued before the House ways and means committee. Rome C. Stephenson, South Bend, Ind., president of the American Bankers association, said that if a cash bonus is voted now, "it is quite possible that the result thereof would be so serious that in the future the public would be inclined to oppose passing of other really deserving bills for the relief of World War veterans." Stephenson said he spoke in the interest of depositors of banks throughout the country including 50,000,000 savings depositors.

### 431 TOLL OF DEATH IN QUAKE

By United Press.  
AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Feb. 4.—The extent of disaster caused by Tuesday's earthquake was indicated today by the first report of organized relief forces which entered the ruined cities of Hawkesday region. With the death toll of three of the stricken cities placed at about 431 and with other regions unreported, a general order was issued for evacuation of the flourishing city of Napier, famous resort town on the east coast of North Island. The evacuation was ordered carried out within two days due to the breakdown of sewage facilities and the fear of authorities that an epidemic would start unless the inhabitants leave at once.

### DROUTH AID EXPLAINED AT ROTARY MEET

Drought relief was explained by Mayor John Thurman, member of the Eastland county committee, in an address at the Ranger Rotary club session at noon today in the green room of the Gholson hotel. This county is in the St. Louis district, the speaker said. The county has a committee and then the various communities have committees. The Ranger committee is composed of Hal Walker, Tom Carpenter and C. E. May. Members of the committees receive no compensation and cannot borrow from the government. In order for a tenant farmer to obtain a loan, the landlord must waive right to the rent until the loan is paid. The loan is for feed, seed and fertilizer and is secured by a mortgage on the crop. Roy Speed is Red Cross disbursement chairman for Ranger. In a talk he stated that the government loan does not include food there fore in cases of need this necessity is met by the Red Cross. Work will be done through the schools to find out the needs and amounts needed. Several Rotarians volunteered to see the principals of rural schools and obtain this information. The next district Rotary convention will be held in Plainview on April 20-21. The "On to Plainview" committee is composed of Bill McDonald, B. F. Looney and Wayne C. Hickey. Feb. 18 has been designated by the Ranger Rotary club as ladies' night and a special committee will organize the program.

### MAN KILLS THREE, THEN SHOOTSELF

By United Press.  
SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 4.—Laverne Clark, 25, today shot and killed his estranged wife, their daughter and his wife's brother. He then turned his gun on himself and was believed dying. The dead: Mrs. Ellen Clark; Gloria Clark, 3, their daughter; and Jack Anthony, Mrs. Clark's brother.

### SUMMER RESORT LIKE HOMELAND

(This is the seventh article written by John D. Montgomery, news paperman, during an airplane flight around Central and South America.)  
By JOHN D. MONTGOMERY.  
St. Elena, Ecuador, is the summer resort for wealthy people living in Guayaquil. The few buildings on the barren neck of land are frame and look like the resort buildings along the Atlantic coast in the United States. We were only a few miles from the equator but it was very chilly at night. The Pacific breeze made us wear blankets. At daylight the Sikorsky flew over the ocean. As we rose, we could see great salt beds on the St. Elena peninsula. These beds are formed by the natives carrying up buckets of ocean water and pouring the water over the ground to let it evaporate and leave the salt. Cameras are forbidden in most South American countries so we hid ours when we glided down at Guayaquil for custom's inspection and to refuel. From the air, Guayaquil looks most attractive and typically Spanish. It has a golf course, race track and several parks and plazas. It seemed a progressive city. Leaving there we followed the river out to sea and headed southward. An enormous surf was hammering the coast of Ecuador. I've been told that the surf usually is 15 feet high. We make our first landing in Peru after two hours and 20 minutes of flight. A Peruvian civil guards acts as custom's official. The town is Talara, oil center of Peru. It reminds us of Signal Hill, California, where oil derricks are as thick as trees. We transfer to a tri-motored plane for the Lima trip. The country from Talara to (Continued on page two.)

### Can Pay City Tax Without Any Penalty

City taxes may be paid this month without penalty. The city commission last night went on record in favor of extending the time limit from Feb. 1 to March 1 on city taxes.

### T. P. TEAM WINS OVER THE ELKS

The T. P. filling station team won in a bowling league game at Ranger's Amusement center last night, defeating the Elks team. The scores follow: T. P. Filling Station—Chick Brown 592, Red Brewster 756, Red Calloway 672, Percy Cole 470, Martin Walker 577, Johnson Bradley 523. Elks Club—Simmons 525, Snyder 519, Horner 474, Snoweland 381, John Bates 534, John Colquitt.

### WHEN CLEVELAND WAS A VILLAGE

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Emily McCreary, who was born in a log cabin here when Cleveland was hardly more than a village, is dead at 90.

### General Butler's Successor



Command of the Marine Corps base at Quantico, Va., relinquished by Major Gen. Smedley D. Butler, has devolved upon Brig. Gen. Randolph C. Berkley, pictured above. A court martial has been ordered for General Butler because of "reflections" which he is accused of having made on Premier Mussolini of Italy in a speech at Philadelphia.

## In Most Atrocious Crime at Chicago

### Crippled Salesman Is Beaten, Tied to a Cross In Cemetery and Finally Buried Him Alive.

By United Press.  
CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—George Witterod, 34, a crippled salesman, was rescued today from a rough coffin in which he was placed by seven men who kidnaped him, beat him, let him hang for an hour from a cross in a cemetery and then buried him alive. A farmer passing the cemetery before daybreak heard stifled moans and called police. Witterod's coffin was found in a deep ditch where he had been tossed after a night of torture, unequalled in the history of Chicago crime. The salesman said he was on his way home from a poolroom late last night when the seven men seized him in an alley and knocked him unconscious. They taunted him when he awoke in an automobile and told him they were taking him for a "ride," he said. His feet and hands were tied. They took him to All Saints cemetery. There, he said, he was dragged from the automobile and suspended on a high cross. He was left hanging there and as his body became numb from exposure, the hoodlums watched and laughed. They were leaving, he told, when he managed to perk one hand free. One of the men who saw his hand move called the others back. Seeing a rough box nearby, the ringleader suggested they take Witterod down from the cross and bury him alive. He was cut down, placed in the box, his hands and feet re-tied and a burlap sack placed over his head. The lid of the box was nailed down. The box was hoisted onto a convenient wheelbarrow. Nearby was a half-dug grave which grave-diggers had left unfinished last night. An attempt was made to force the rough coffin into the grave but it would not fit. It had been placed in the grave horizontally. The coffin was then stood on end while the men debated whether to dig the grave deeper. The men finally moved the box from the grave and, fastening it to the back of their automobile, started away at a high speed and cut the coffin loose. The coffin rolled from the roadway into the ditch where the man was found, face down, half dead from the treatment he had received.

### 9 PERISH, 3 HURT IN AIR WRECK

By United Press.  
PLYMOUTH, England, Feb. 4. A royal air force plane was wrecked in Plymouth sound today and eight of the 12 men aboard were drowned. Another man, critically injured in the crash, died a few minutes later. Three men are in a hospital critically injured. The plane crashed, the pilot apparently confused by bright sunlight on the water, misjudging the landing surface. An explosion wrecked the craft which sunk and trapped the men in the submerged cabin from which only four were able to escape. One of the dead was an officer.

### Gray Uniforms Not Necessary, Court Declares

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Feb. 4.—The law requiring motor police to be in gray uniforms with diamond-shaped badges to make an arrest was knocked out by the court of criminal appeals here today. The court said: "The wearing of one kind, color or cut of clothes can, by no stretch of the imagination, be held to legitimately affect the legality or fairness of an arrest of one charged with crime and in our opinion such a statute is unwarranted interference by one branch of government with another."

### Ranger Woman's Father Is Dead

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Cox are in Odessa, where they attended the funeral services of Mrs. Cox's father, J. W. A. Bishop, who died at his home in that city.

### SCRAMBLE FOR HYMN BOOKS HAS ENDED

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 4.—The scramble for hymn books at the Allegheny county jail during Sunday church services has stopped. Eight hundred hymnals have been provided by the United Presbyterian Board of Publication. There are 700 prisoners.

### CANADIAN—New \$12,000 M. K. modern schoolhouse formally dedicated.

### 1209 OHIO FALLS FATAL

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 4.—There were 1209 deaths from falls reported to the Ohio Department of Health during the first 10 months of 1930, of which 609 occurred in the home, according to the annual report.

## CHECK-UP ON LINES IS BEING MADE BY GAS CO.

One of the largest gathering of citizens that ever attended a meeting of the city commission in Ranger was present last night to hear a discussion of the gas bills for the past month which have been the subject of widespread comment. The crowd was estimated at from 250 to 300 and no attempt was made to hold the session in the council chamber. Instead Mayor Thurman called the city commission meeting to order in the big municipal courtroom. The citizens stood and even then the big hall was packed. Mayor Thurman made smiling reference to the "multitude." He said that the city commission has been working on the gas matter for several days. The gas company representatives have given assurance, the mayor said, that "you will have fair treatment and are checking the lines." The difficulty has not been ascertained but when it is, a statement in detail will be given, the speaker said. The mayor said that the commission was for the interests of the citizenship and was determined that no one should be imposed on but he urged that the check-up now being made be awaited and that in the meantime no one need pay the gas bills. He then called on Commissioner L. R. Pearson who spoke along similar lines and added that the statement from the gas company was not made public by the 10th which is the day that the gas bills are due. He said that consumers would not be required to pay the bills until after the statement was given out. These were the only talks made and the citizens filed out, leaving the commission to take up routine matters of city government.

## ITALY, ECONOMICALLY, COMPARES WITH OTHERS

(This is the second of Webb Miller's articles as a result of his nation-wide survey of Italy. It deals with the financial problems of Italy and taxes.)  
By WEBB MILLER.  
United Press Staff Correspondent.  
ROME, Feb. 4.—Like the rest of the world Italy is suffering severely from the effects of the great economic crisis. Unemployment is serious and rising, the budget threatened a deficit of \$4,500,000, foreign trade has decreased about 20 per cent in value, taxation is at the highest limit Mussolini considers possible, bankruptcies have reached a post-war maximum, emigrant remittances and tourist trade, which usually offsets her unfavorable trade balance, are drastically curtailed. But, in general, Italy does not compare unfavorably with other industrialized nations. Unlike other countries where great efforts are being made to maintain the wage standard Mussolini acted promptly by inaugurating the remarkable experiment of reducing salaries of all state and municipal employes, about 700,000, by 12 per cent. This was done to offset the budget deficit and initiated a nation-wide movement to bring down wages, salaries, rents, food, industrial products—everything that enters into the national economy—by 10 to 12 per cent. The object was to reduce the cost of living and cost of production so as to enable more effective competition abroad and expansion of exports. Reduction Lighten Burden. These reductions are estimated to lighten the burden upon industry, agriculture and the state by \$150,000,000 annually. Meanwhile a commission is examining state expenditures to effect other economies. Reduction of state employes' salaries is expected to save \$36,100,000 annually—about one-half in the present financial year—while industrial wages will be reduced nearly \$50,000,000 and agricultural even more. During the first 11 months of last year, foreign trade suffered decreases from \$690,500 to \$553,250 for exports and \$977,850 to \$786,100 for imports compared with the same time in 1929. Much of the contraction was due to the world fall of prices as shown by comparative decreases in weight of goods which was between 8 and 9 per cent. Inasmuch as the campaign of wage reduction has been in force only a few weeks the effects are not yet discernible upon exports. Last available figures gave 600,000 unemployed but it is officially estimated this will be increased by more than 100,000 during the winter. Charity funds are being raised in some cities to feed unemployed and public works initiated. Several hundred thousand who would otherwise be unemployed are now employed on public works. Tariff Slumps. Railway traffic has dropped 20 per cent compared with 1929 and port loadings declined 200,000 tons monthly. Emigrant remittances have decreased about one-third as compared with 1929. (Continued on page 3)

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**DOWN TO ROCK BOTTOM.**

There is something good about everything bad just as there is something bad about every good thing. The period of what we term "depression" from which this country, if we can take the signs at face value, is just emerging, has been beneficial from the standpoint that it has brought us close to fundamentals. In times of prosperity we are apt to pay little attention to the basis of our economic structure and to go on pyramiding the superficial upon the superficial without regard to the ultimate stability of what we are building. But when calamity comes along and the whole business topples we get very concerned indeed. What has happened will no doubt pay some valuable dividends in experience, resulting in readjustments that will tend to strengthen our system fundamentally.

That we are a long way from economic perfection is obvious on the face of reports of widespread suffering and want for the relief of which the Red Cross is appealing for millions of dollars. When such privation and want exists in the midst of plenty there is something radically wrong with civilization. George Bernard Shaw, in a recent issue of the Liberty magazine, points a critical finger at what he terms the "faulty economics" of the day. Lack of proper distribution of wealth and labor and a false educational system are diseases of our present civilization that will eventually result in its extinction, Shaw says.

"Mesopotamia was once more highly civilized than either old or new England; but it went under so completely that I was over sixty before I ever heard of Sumer. I see by your expression that you have not heard of it yet. And the Sumerian civilization was only one of half a dozen. We are adding to the list of extinct civilizations almost as fast as the astronomers are adding to the list of dark stars.

"Every serious student of the subject knows that the stability of a civilization depends finally on the wisdom with which it distributes its wealth and allots its burdens of labor, and on the veracity of the instruction it provides for its children.

"We do not distribute our wealth at all; we throw it into the streets to be scrambled for by the strongest and greediest who will stoop to such scrambling, after handing the lion's share to the professional robbers politely called owners. We cram our children with lies, and punish anyone who tries to enlighten them.

"Our remedies for the consequences of our folly are tariffs, inflation, wars, vivisections and inoculations — vengeance, violence, black magic. As to reform, we have not sense enough or energy enough to reform our spelling. Talk about something else!"

**"THOSE WHO USE THE HIGHWAYS SHOULD PAY FOR THEM."**

According to an important bulletin published by the American Petroleum Institute Oklahoma alone among the 22 states which are considering or may consider changes in gasoline tax rates this year—has a bill pending designed to reduce the tax. The Oklahoma measure would reduce the rate from four to three cents a gallon. In other states increases of one or two cents are proposed. Oklahoma, according to the bulletin, adopted the gasoline tax in 1923, fixing the rate at one cent per gallon. In 1924 the rate was increased to two and one-half cents per gallon and in 1925 it was lifted to three cents. It became four cents per gallon in 1929. Income amounted to \$10,841,600 in 1929 and in the first half of 1930 reached \$6,175,965. Total 1930 income is estimated at \$11,400,000.

The entire income in Oklahoma is devoted to highway construction, improvement and maintenance purposes, 66 2-3 per cent going to state highways and 33 1-3 per cent to local units.

Introduction recently in the Tennessee legislature of a bill designed to increase the gasoline tax rate to six cents per gallon from five cents brought to 22 the number of states whose legislatures already are considering, or probably will consider, changes in their gasoline tax rates. Passage of the bill in Tennessee would make that state the fourth to impose a tax as high as six cents, the others being Florida, South Carolina and Georgia.

States reported by the institute bulletin contemplating changes in rate and the changes proposed follow: Colorado, four cents to five cents; North Dakota, three cents to four cents; Arizona, four cents to five cents (an increase defeated at the November polls); North Carolina, five cents to six cents; Pennsylvania, three cents to four cents; Washington, three cents to four cents; South Dakota, four cents to five cents; Alabama, four cents to six cents; Maine, four cents to five cents; Tennessee, five cents to six cents; West Virginia, four cents to five cents; Missouri, two cents to three cents; Iowa, three cents to four cents; Kansas, three cents to four cents; Michigan, three cents to four cents; Minnesota, three cents to five cents; Nebraska, three cents to four cents; Ohio, four cents to five cents; Wisconsin, two cents to four cents; Massachusetts, two cents to three cents; New York, two cents to three cents; and the District of Columbia, two cents to four cents.

Yes, "Those who use the highways must pay for them." Motorgoing is going to be an expensive luxury in the near future if the gasoline tax is to pay "all that the traffic will bear."

**A VARIETY.**

No class of people have suffered the effects of the depressed economic situation of the past year more than the farmer. The drought with low commodity prices has struck the tiller of the soil a body blow and the farmers of our own section have been little more fortunate than those of other sections.

A hopeful sign as the prospect of a more prosperous season faces the rural dwellers of our own part of the country is the tendency toward diversification that is beginning to manifest itself. The one-crop system is all right when the law of supply and demand works in its favor but once this system takes a boomerang turn and knocks the props out from under the house it is very much wrong.

Ranger farmers learned long ago the one-crop system doesn't pay. The brief prosperity of the oil boom period disrupted the agricultural industry and the return to methods of farming that were in vogue prior to the coming of oil has been halted by the drought. Now the growers of crops are looking toward a diversity of products. Livestock fed on home-grown feed, potatoes, poultry, sheep, goats, hogs, fruit, truck crops of all varieties combined with a money crop of some sort is the salvation of the farmer.

**An Eggs-traordinary Dilemma!**



**CRACKS IN THE DOME**

By THE POLITICAL ANALYST.

AUSTIN.—The Howsley resolution recommending a tariff on importations of crude oil has been favorably reported to the Texas legislature by the committee to which it had been referred. Chairman Bailey W. Hardy of the committee pointed out that the measure was practically unopposed.

Big-city counties of Texas will gain eight new members of the legislature under any redistricting plan that follows exactly the population basis, according to the investigation of Penrose B. Metcalf, San Angelo legislator who is at work on the legislative redistricting draft.

Dallas county, with five members and a florid member will be stepped to eight members; Tarrant county and Fort Worth, with four and a "floater" would have the same five. Houston, now with five members, will go to nine and San Antonio will step from five to seven in its delegation.

The redistricting bill will be acted upon by a legislature before which is pending a proposed appeal to the people in the Loy constitutional amendment, to limit the big cities to four house members. The Loy amendment will likely be revised during its submission, if submitted, to five, and possibly six, house members predicted.

The practice of naming "special" non-salaried state rangers is attacked in a bill by Representative Adams of Jasper county. The measure would prohibit such appointments. . . . At one time, when railroads were allowed to employ special guards, there were numbers of such men designed as special rangers, thus clothed with some degree of presumed official authority.

The state parks board, and D. E. Colp, its chairman, are taking an appeal to the people throughout Texas for support of the four-park program to set aside 100,000 acres along Caddo lake, in the Duro canyon, in the Davis and Guadalupe counties for the future enjoyment of Texas people and Texas visitors. Mr. Colp will make pictures taken in each of these scenic resorts, in a tour which will occupy practically the entire month of February.

Governor Ross S. Sterling, in his first message to the legislature, urged development of a state-wide parks project.

Representatives Eugene V. Giles of Austin and A. B. Tarwater of Hale county are completing their preferential primary bill. It will have, as a distinguishing feature from that already offered by Representative W. M. Harmon of Waco, a means to safeguard against stuffing of the ballot boxes and "repeat" voting, and a further safeguard to protect the privacy of a voter's ballot that does not now exist. A perforated tab will be torn from each ballot as voted, and pasted on the poll tax receipt of the voter. This will replace the keeping of numbered lists of the ballots, from which any curious person connected with the election can find out how any particular individual voted.

**TEXAS TOPICS**

AUSTIN.—If newspapermen have longed for the millennium of a newspaper man in the governor's chair and a newspaper man holding down his outer office, they have met it.

Governor Sterling is publisher of the Houston Post-Dispatch. And Paul Wakefield, his assistant private secretary, is a newspaperman of long experience, with notable foreign service in his record, and a thorough appreciation of the working newspaperman's needs and viewpoint guiding him.

Wakefield, from the first day, proved himself an ideal man in particular—often trying and difficult—job.

Senator Poage's plan to cut the

**DAILY WASHINGTON LETTER**

BY RODNEY DUTCHER

NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON.—The engineers are working on Washington, much as if they were trying to drain a pond. The object is to make the capital dry and that task, as everyone knows, is prodigious.

Senator Robert Beecher Howell, the engineer from Nebraska who wrote the "home raid" bill lately debated by the Senate, has been doing most of the work. But the engineer in the White House, Mr. Hoover, has an important role in the job. It was he who sharply took issue with Howell when the senator casually remarked that this city was scandalously wet, spurring Howell to make exhaustive research and to frame the drastic enforcement law for the District of Columbia which has become the major item of prohibition legislation considered at this session.

Engineer Hoover also once called on Congress for an enforcement code for the District, although he has not signified whether the Howell bill is his approval.

**Howell Is Sincere**

Engineer Howell is one of the dry western progressives. He is earnest and sincere and more cautious in the interests of soundness than some of the other progressives. He seldom gets excited himself or excites anyone else, but he sometimes sinks his teeth into some problem and applies himself to it with honest and vigorous effort.

He happens to be one of those drys, in a group which also includes his colleague Norris, who believes the principal reason why prohibition enforcement has been such a flop has been a lack of desire for enforcement in successive administrations. Nebraska, of course, is much drier than the capital.

Howell, now 66 years old, is a kind and pleasant gentleman, not a reformer in the commonly accepted sense of the word, although personally dry. He is a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy and maintains an interest in the navy. He also went to law school and seven years after moving to Omaha from Michigan was successively

number of counties down to 100 is sure to bring a throng of local officials to the capitol in protest, and sure to find the strongest sort of opposition all along the line. It would not be surprising to see the people approve it, if the legislature gives them the chance, regardless of the 3,060 people now living out of the government feed box that it would turn to other activities.

A serious question, which an objector easily could stir into measurable opposition in any group of counties proposed to be merged, would be the rival claims for the new county seat and courthouse.

It might remind people of Bleeding Kansas fights over moving courthouses, as recounted from early memories of Ed Howe.

But it and other phases of the local government take-up would save the people something like \$10,000,000 a year, all of which is in addition to the \$101,000 state government costs of last year.

Representative Eugene V. Giles, co-author with all the legislators of Travis, Williamson, Bastrop and Caldwell counties for a three-year closed season on quail and wild turkey, supports the game commission's bill for a universal hunting license. "For this reason," the farmer says—he is one himself—rarely ever shoots a gun; but some transient or hired workman, or some trespasser, shoots out the whole covey of quail. Now, since he is violating no law, to shoot in season without having a license for home county hunting, the man can't be punished. To require the license would keep most of the kind of men who ignore the law where

possible separated from guns, he thinks.

Utilities Fight Made Him  
 Howell made his big mark in politics by successful prosecution of fights for municipally owned utilities and such state legislation as encouraged them. For 10 years, beginning in 1913, he was general manager of the city department operating public water, gas and ice plants. He was elected to the Senate in 1922 and re-elected in 1928, after campaigning with a small portable radio broadcasting station.

Few persons other than Howell are especially anxious to have his District of Columbia enforcement bill passed and it is doubtful whether it will reach President Hoover for signature in this session.

Howell, however, is in dead earnest. He has the quiet idea that it's a national disgrace to have the capital full of liquor and bootleggers when that same capital is supposed to be the seat of enforcement and insists that Congress should set up an example for the rest of the country by making Washington a "model city" as regards enforcement. The "model city" idea was proposed to Congress by Earl C. Hoover after Engineer Howell had called public attention to conditions.

The Howell bill has become the center of all the senatorial prohibition debate partly because there were both wets and drys anxious to holler about that great issue following publication of the Wicksham report.

**Other Reasons**

Another thing which helped it get precedence on the calendar over many other items of legislation was the fact that Republicans would rather have it debated than certain measures which insurgents advocated but which President Hoover opposed.

Those senators who would like an extra session also thought it was a good idea, because protracted debate is the best method of blocking the appropriation bills which must be passed if the special session is to be avoided.

**DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK**

By EDSON R. WAITE  
 Shawnee, Okla.

Arizona has a very definite, permanent, "Trade At Home-Use Arizona Products" movement, intended not as an embargo against outside products or outside firms, but to encourage Arizona residents to give first consideration to home firms, home products and home labor in all purchases on a basis of competitive price, quality and service. W. W. Knorr, publisher of the Phoenix, Arizona, Gazette, introduced me to P. G. Spilsbury, president of the Arizona Industrial Congress, which organization handles the movement. When interviewed, Mr. Spilsbury said:

"The movement was initiated nine years ago by the Arizona Industrial Congress, which acts as a clearing house for all organizations, industries and sections of the state in cooperation and coordination of effort along development lines, and is conducted by Chambers of Commerce, Women's Clubs and civic bodies in the interests of building up local business and industry.

"The general movement falls into two distinct phases — a 'Trade At Home' campaign, urging the public at give local merchants, business men, professional men and workmen every legitimate preference in day-to-day expenditures, and a 'Use Arizona Products' campaign urging that every legitimate preference likewise be given state farmers, producers, manufacturers and distributors in supplying open markets.

"One of our greatest activities in sponsoring the movement is to encourage producers, manufacturers and retail business to sell themselves to the public by newspaper advertising, displays, demonstrations, etc., to show that they not only can but do compete with outside firms and outside products in price and quality and excel them in service.

"Once a year most communities in the state conduct a special 'Trade at Home Week' educational campaign to bring out the benefits of the Buy at Home policy to the community. We hold at the same time a state-wide 'Buyers and Sellers Conference' of industrial purchasing agents, retail store buyers, manufacturers, distributors and producers' representatives to discuss how they can cooperate in furthering the 'Use Arizona Products-Buy in Arizona' principle.

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**BOY SCOUTS' 21ST ANNIVERSARY RADIO PROGRAM**

(Continued from page 1) and cities, to mention only a few out of the nearly 200 stations that are cooperating with anniversary week radio programs.

**SCOUTING IN TROOP I BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**  
 At 7:30, Saturday morning, three Scouts, namely, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster Blair Clark, Carl Siddall and Sentell Caffery, cranked up the troop truck and journeyed to Breckenridge. Carl Siddall went to take life-saving and swimming tests, as Breckenridge is the only near city that has an indoor swimming pool. This makes it possible for boys to take swimming tests during the winter. The other two boys took their swimming tests during the summer.

Below is copy of a letter from Scoutmaster Banes of Troop No. 18, Breckenridge:  
 Mr. Chisholm, Scoutmaster Troop No. 1, Cisco, Texas.  
 Dear Scouter:

Three of your troop members met me this morning, bringing test for life saving and swimming for Carl Siddall. The directors at the Y. M. C. A. were kind enough to allow us to use the pool at 1 o'clock, but, it being a very busy day for them, I made the examination. Am sorry that you could not have your signature but he would have to come for more than one day for this. He made a splendid job on his test. He does need a little practice as his wind was a bit short caused partly by the intense heat in the room at that hour. I gave him with the assistance of Scouts Clark and Caffery all that is required for a test of this kind and then some. Am glad to report that he does splendid work at swimming, using the different strokes. As to the life saving, he is very good in carrying his even larger companion, good in breaking all the required holds, and good in all the carry holds with the possible exception of the tired swimmers carry. He made a passing on the latter but did not have the time in the one hour to get this quite so good as the others. Fine in undressing in eight feet of water, swimming out, returning for surface dive to recover his clothing. His surface diving for a much heavier weight than required for Scouts deserves a special mention.

The three of them reserve merit for their behavior while in the city. More than one kept pretty good tab on them while here and they were many in every respect. I enjoyed the work with them and want them to know how we all felt toward them. Their conduct of course loudly bespeaks their Scout training as well as home life.

Best regards, I am,  
 Yours truly,  
 J. RALEIGH BANES,  
 Scoutmaster Troop No. 18,  
 Breckenridge, Texas.

**EAGLE TEST PASSED**  
 H. O. Bostain Troop No. 15 of Rising Star successfully passed the test to make application for Eagle rank at the Court of Honor meeting held there last Friday night. The court was presided over by Chairman E. M. Howard, assisted by Fred Roberts and M. S. Sellers. Following is a list of awards made at the court: Second class rank,

Jack Gibson, Hoyt Hopper; star rank, T. J. Wilkerson, Paul Caldwell, Gaston Alford, and Claude Chastain; Eagle applications, H. O. Bostain; merit badges—H. O. Bostain, camping, pioneering, pathfinding, and cooking; Jack Royce Montgomery, life saving and swimming; Gaston Alford, handicraft, leathercraft, personal health, woodcarving and firemanship; Russel Day, reading; Charles Rutherford, chemistry; Claude Chastain, pioneering; Marshall Reagan, pioneering; Paul Caldwell, leathercraft.

Scout Executive G. N. Quirl spoke on anniversary week and the Rising Star troop voted to attend the 21st anniversary district celebration to be held in Cisco, Friday night, Feb. 13. Each Scout has been asked to have a pie as an escort to the rally. Some of the Scouts were wondering if it were possible for a Scout to live up to both the first Scout law and the 13th Scout law; the first being "A Scout is Trustworthy" and the 13th, one which has been made by Scouts is "A Scout is Hungry and Eats When He Can." Would the pies be transported safely? We shall see.

**TROOP 15 TAKES HIKE**  
 Troop 15 of Rising Star reports taking an over-night hike to the mountains some three miles south of town. Each Scout cooked his own meals. This is the first over-night hike that has been taken by the troop since Scoutmaster Eberhart assumed the duties of the troop some two months ago. "Lets have more hikes."

**COURT OF HONORS**  
 A Court of Honor of award will be held at each of the anniversary celebrations. During next week there is to be a celebration in each district headquarters, Rising Star, Breckenridge, Cisco and Eastland.

**MARKET REPORTS**

By United Press.

Closing selected New York stocks:

Am Pwr & Light	49 3/4
Am Tel & Tel	188 3/4
Anacosta	33 3/4
Aviation Corp Del	4 3/4
Beth Steel	52 3/4
Ches & Ohio	43 1/4
Chrysler	17
Curtiss Wright	4 3/4
Gen Motors pf	98 1/4
Houston Oil	40 1/4
Int Harvester	52 1/4
Int Nickel	14 1/4
Louisiana Oil	4 3/4
Montg Ward	21 1/4
Panhandle P & R	2 3/4
Phillips Pet	12 3/4
Prairie O & G	13 3/4
Pure Oil	9 3/4
Radio	16 1/4
Sears Roebuck	51 3/4
Shell Union Oil	9 1/4
Sinclair	11 3/4
Southern Pac	104 3/4
Stan Oil N Y	47 3/4
Stan Oil N Y	23 3/4
Studebaker	21
Sun Oil	40
Texas Corp	32
Texas Gulf Sul	50
Tex Pac C & O	5 1/4
U S Steel	145 1/4
U S Steel pf	145 1/4
Warner Quinlan	7

**Curbs.**

Cities Service	18
Gulf Oil Pa	67 3/4
Humble Oil	62 3/4
Niagad Hud Pwr	10 3/4
Stan Oil Ind	35 3/4

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# BY THE WAY

**By BOYCE HOUSE**

The House of David baseball team—that wants to play this spring in Ranger—is a noted organization. Though a good team, it is most famous for the long hair of its members. Their locks, like Samson's, remain unshorn. The House of David also has a basketball team and recently met the national championship girls' basketball team—and got beat. When the men saw they were losing, they became a bit rough—and a girl knocked one of the men cold. Fans said it was a remarkable game—the girls with bobbed hair, the men with thick tresses that fell below their shoulders.

The baseball team is a stronger aggregation than the basketball team however and would put up a great game. It is probably the greatest semi-pro baseball attraction since the days of the famous Boston Bloomer Girls.

The home run orgy is to be curtailed next season. At least as far as the National league is concerned. The ball will have a thicker cover and a heavier stitch. It won't be so "lively" and it will also give the pitcher a better grip. Home runs had become so common there was almost no thrill in seeing the ball batted out of the park. Will the American league follow suit? If not, it will mean a great deal when working series time rolls around for two different kinds of baseballs will have to be used.

Sept. 27 will be the closing date of the National league race. It is the earliest closing date in 22 years. The opening date, April 14, remains the same.

Many years ago, the pitchers were the central figures of baseball—the idols of the fans. Christy Mathewson, "Three Finger" Brown, Walter Johnson, Ed Walsh, Addie Joss, Cy Young—those were some of the greatest figures in the game in those days, and they were pitchers. Players in all the other positions on the diamond who rivaled them in popularity were only a handful—Wagner, Cobb, Lajoie and Kling. "Home Run" Baker won his name by hammering 14 home runs in a season and—if memory is correct—winning two games in the world's series by hitting a homer in each.

The lively ball was brought into play and the slugger placed in the pitcher almost in eclipse. Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Hack Wilson and Rogers Hornsby became the heroes with Dazzy Vance, Ted Lyons and others of the pitching tribe forced to play second fiddle.

Probably both situations were out of line. In the olden days, the pitcher too completely dominated. In modern days, the slugger too completely dominated. Perhaps a balance will be attained with fewer home runs and with finer pitching battles.

They're going in for boxing—the Abilene Eagles of 1931 are. Says the Abilene chronicler: "Although the special training is intended only as the means to attend, the result of activities now going on among the 1931 football candidates of Abilene High School may be unusual courtesy on the part of opponents toward the Abilene Eagles.

"The basketball court excepted, the high school gymnasium these afternoons resembles the headquarters of a class in pugilism. Linemen large and small, and mostly large, don the boxing gloves to pound away at a dummy. With the more harmful part of their punch taken away by this exercise, they are turned loose to hammer at each others' midsections. They go by twos then to the mat for short turns at wrestling, thence to the outside for prolonged sessions of rope skipping.

"M. L. Hodges, a member of the line-coaching staff, is immediately in charge; Messrs. Murphy and Mayhew linger about to ponder over the matter at hand, and the gallery is large enough, no admission being charged for the show, and the gates open to all. "This has all the aspects of punishment for the participants, but the combatants either enjoy it or else should be on the stage for their acting. It is thought that the robust lads after taking these knocks should consider mixing it with the opposition's burly lines next autumn as mere child's play. "It is excellent conditioning. Falls and Davis, two mammoth forwards, have converted most of the surplus avoirdupois into muscle or have worked it off. Down somewhere in the 190-200 pound division, they are expected to be in the first class of the rock-sock-sock-sock detachment when the next season arrives."

**RAILROAD COPS GET RADIOS**  
By United Press.  
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 4.—Railroad police departments here are to be equipped with short-wave radio sets to pick up the broadcasts of local police, according to Chief of Police George J. Matowitz. Matowitz believes the plan will improve the chance of capturing criminals who attempt to escape by train.

Still water run deep, but occasionally the prohibition officers find their source.

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## Walter High To Be Tried On a Forgery Charge

Walter High, alias Joe Price, 49, is to be tried in the 91st district court on Monday, February 3, on a charge of attempting to pass a forged instrument in Ranger on January 12, 1931.

High has signed a confession in which he admits that he forged a check on the Texas Pipe Line company for \$34.00 and attempted to get it cashed at a drug store in Ranger on that date. He is now in Abilene where he faces trial on a similar charge but will be returned to Eastland in time for his trial here.

In a confession to W. B. Collier, assistant county attorney, High says that he is 49 years old and that he was convicted of forgery and sentenced to from three to four years in the State prison of Colorado and was paroled on January 6 of this year, after serving three years of the sentence. He also states that he started to Texas and met a man by the name of Wilson, alias George Rogers, who had a bundle of printed checks of the Texas Pipe Line Company.

He says that he forged the checks signing the name of H. E. Rodgers and cashed one for \$36.50 in Lubbock, one for \$34.00 in Spur, one for \$34.00 in Abilene.

In his confession, High said that at the time of his arrest at Ranger, he had about \$74 in cash with him, which was part of the money received from the forged checks.

## Eastland Golfers Elect Officers

**SPECIAL TO THE TIMES.**  
EASTLAND, Texas, Feb. 4.—At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Eastland Golf and Country Club the following men were elected as directors for the year: W. L. Gupton, W. I. Clark, F. W. Blatt, J. M. Mouser and A. H. Johnson.

The board of directors met Monday afternoon for the purpose of selecting the officers of the club. At the meeting J. E. Lewis was elected president; F. H. Weaver was elected vice president; C. A. Cheatham, secretary-treasurer.

Lonnie King was selected as chairman of the greens committee; L. V. Witcher was selected chairman of the tournament and rules committee with Carl Angstadt and W. I. Clark as committeemen to serve with him; F. H. Weaver was selected as chairman of the entertainment committee with Ted Ferguson and C. A. Hertz as committeemen to assist him.

## Italy, Economically

(Continued from page 1)  
pared with 1929 and tourist trade is 50 per cent below post-war average in value.

Albert Pirelli, the famous Italian industrialist, recently estimated that Italian industry in general is showing a reduction of 15 per cent compared with last year. But foreign experts told me they were convinced Italy will be in a better position than other countries when world demand revives because of her strong, centralized government, low wages and reduced cost of production.

Taxation is extremely heavy. About 30 per cent of the entire national income is taken in taxation in one form or another. The product of taxes is over eight times pre-war. Direct and indirect, state and communal taxation touches nearly every phase of business activity. Income from capital is taxed 20 per cent, business income 14, income from labor

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## Wants to Fight



Taking the tip from Phil Scott, English boxers are flocking to this country in search of ring riches. After Scott came Jackie (Kid) Berg and Len Harvey, and now comes Johnny Brown, above, bachelors. If Brown shows as much as Berg or Harvey, he may trouble Battalino, Chocolate, La Barba, Shea and other topnotchers among the featherweights.

In addition, a graduated complementary income super-tax ranges from 1 to 10 per cent—the latter for incomes exceeding \$52,500.

**Everything Taxed.**  
Income from land and buildings is taxed 7 1/2 per cent. Stamp taxes cover nearly every form of commercial paper. There are taxes on signs, pianos, carriages, servants, billiard tables and bachelors. One of my Italian newspaper friends on a modest salary pays \$14.68 yearly as a penalty for remaining a bachelor. The automobile tax is high. An American friend with a Chevrolet pays over \$93 annual tax.

The revised 1930-31 budget shows estimated income of \$92,222,093 and estimated expenditures of \$1,014,493,496 taking into account the reduction of state salaries. About 40 per cent of budget expenditure is required for interest upon the internal and external debt, and 27 per cent for military purposes. Italy's war debt payments to England and United States are more than balanced by reparations receipts. Among the government's foremost financial preoccupations presently is the series of short term treasury obligations totaling \$293,750,000 which fall due in the three years commencing in November. These were issued by the fascists at the beginning of their regime. Foreign observers believe an internal loan secured by reparations payments will be floated to cover them. Mussolini has denied that Italy wants a foreign loan.

Although wages compared with other countries are low, statistics indicate that the Italian working man is better off than before the war. An average working family of five with two wage earners in Milan spends \$12 weekly compared with \$8 pre-war. Owing to the low pre-war standard of living Italy is able to withstand hard times better than many other countries. Mussolini said in his economic speech: "Fortunately, Italians are not yet accustomed to eating three times daily." The average worker eats meat infrequently and lives on the simplest fare.

Tomorrow: Miller writes about the fascist drills for youths.

## Sure Way to Stop Night Coughs

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By NEA Service  
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## FASHIONS

By FRANCES PAGET.  
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NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—The pelum insists upon clinging on to the sportswear fashion, making itself agreeable in new ways and sometimes partially concealing its identity. There are two very strong points in its favor. For one thing, the return to favor of the overblouse has popularized to a great extent that line that breaks length at the hips and has pointed the way for the pelum to copy the close fitting lines of the overblouse. The versatility of the pelum that allows it to adapt itself to any variation of silhouettes is an important consideration. Lengthened last fall to tunic proportions, treated with godets, pleats and gored flares during recent stages of its history, one of its newer sportswear phases is extreme brevity with flare almost or entirely eliminated. On designer approves of a brief, slightly circular pelum for a blouse contrasting with the skirt.

The pelum that appears only at front, stimulated in popularity by Patou's interpretations last fall, renews its claim to interest. The pelum flat and shayed to suggest a waistcoat, favored in a few rare instances for southern resorts, should be in keeping with the tailored spring season. Other types appear. The pelum that curves and disappears into a panel back, or that emphasizes the double-breasted jacket effect of a front coupled with one-piece style at back, are illustrative of the more tailored conceptions for spring. And one of the most important points in favor of so many of the newer pelums is their adaptability, through the dipping of a line at back or the restriction of the flare, so that in one version or another they may be worn by some who are no longer so very young or so very slender.

## Champ Cowboy



NEA San Francisco Bureau  
Ride 'em, cowboy! Here's Clay Carr, Visalia, Calif., rodeo rider and cowboy, acclaimed the world's champion cowpuncher by the American Rodeo Association, who will receive the award at the forthcoming national convention at Cheyenne, Wyo.

## FIRST STEAMBOAT ROTTING

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4.—The first steamboat to rot in the mud flats of Kensington north of the city. After several runs to Burlington, N. J., the boat designed and built by Fitch, was junked. Historical societies are considering the possibility of raising it and placing it on exhibition.

One reason to believe the framers of the Constitution were of Scotch descent is that they advocated free speech.

## TEAM OBEYS TRAFFIC LIGHTS

By United Press.  
GENEVA, N. Y., Feb. 4.—Genevians claim their city has a team of horses more intelligent than a lot of human beings. The horses always come to dead stop when they approach a red traffic light, and nothing the driver can do will persuade them to move until the light switches to green again.

**"HOUDINI" JAILED AGAIN**  
By United Press.  
BOWLING GREEN, Ohio, Feb. 4.—Ellis Gee, 37, was called "Michigan's Houdini" by officers recently when they returned him to the Jackson, Mich., State prison for the fourth time following his escape. The fourth time he was recaptured at his home in Portage, near here.

## ACCIDENT DEATH RATE LOW

By United Press.  
UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 4.—Accidental deaths in Utica, a city of more than 104,000 inhabitants, totaled only nine during 1930, the safety council of the Utica Chamber of Commerce announced. That figure compares with 22 fatal accidents in 1929, a decrease of more than 100 per cent.

## HOG TREES FARMER

By United Press.  
WALESBORO, Ind., Feb. 4.—An 800-pound hog chased George Beatty into a thorn tree when his shot, intended to kill the animal, went wild. A companion, Joe Vails, killed the hog and Beatty climbed down.

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City Health Officer

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### DISTRICT MEET OF W. T. C. C. AT STAMFORD FEB. 6

Special to the Times.  
 STAMFORD, Feb. 3.—Col. R. L. Penick of this city, director of this city, director for District No. 5 of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is calling a meeting of all local directors in the district, together with the presidents and secretaries of all affiliated local chambers of commerce and others in the area interested in the work of the regional organization, to be held here Friday.

This will be the fourth of a series of such meetings. The others have been in District No. 1 at Amarillo; district No. 2 at Lubbock and District No. 3 at Wichita Falls. It is the plan of executives of the W. T. C. C. to hold similar conferences in each of the ten districts in the territory during the immediate future.

On the program of the one-day session, to be held in the headquarters office and to begin at 10:30 a. m. will be given reports of the accomplishments of the West Texas chamber; an explanation of its present plan of operation and also an outline of the program of work of the organization for this year.

A feature of the meeting will be an explanation of the recently adopted plan of allowing any of the districts of the W. T. C. C. to initiate items of the program of the organization. Representatives of the various towns and cities in the district will also be told how their communities can get the most beneficial service from the regional chamber.

District No. 5 includes Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, Eastland, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan and Mitchell counties. President Charles E. Coombes and Manager D. A. Bandeen and other officials of the W. T. C. C. will attend the Friday session.

Glass has been made from natural gas by the Mellon Institute.

**LODGE NOTICES**  
 I. O. O. F. No. 350 meets 7:30 p. m., Thursday. All members requested to be present.

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### FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser



### MOM'N' POP

By Cowan



### INCREASED EMPLOYMENT

By United Press.  
 SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 4.—Increased industrial employment in Illinois from November 15 to

December 15 was shown for the first time in more than a year in the monthly report of the State Department of Labor. The report showed the fractional gain of six-tenths per cent among 15 reporting cities.

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## FOR GINGER'S SAKE

By **ETHEL HUESTON**  
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**BEGIN HERE TODAY**  
 To keep life from growing too dull in Red Thrush, Iowa, Ginger Ella Tolliver organized a Junior Country Club. It was to be exclusive—no parents, no babies, just the "younger set." Accordingly Ginger, whose father was a minister and whose stepmother, the former Phyllis Diller, was a wealthy and indulgent, purchased the Mill Rush farm, a 10-acre tract with an old house, and remodeled it.

Into Red Thrush came Bard lowly, a young artist who was hobnobbing around the country. Attracted by Ginger, he agreed to stay and paint portraits and decorate the new club house. The Tollivers made him their guest. Bard thought "Joie de Vivre" would be a good name for the club. It was adopted. And he thought it would be splendid if they could import from Chicago one Nicolo Calleno. For Nicolo was handsome and he could cook and sing and strum a guitar. He would make a picturesque addition to the club. He would be a knockout on the opening night, for which an elaborate dinner dance was planned. But on the morning of the opening there arrived at the Tollivers' not one Italian youth but what seemed an army. Little Angelo was a musician, and Pietro could cook. And Benito could sing. Nicolo, it seemed, could not come, so they had come in his place, to make themselves useful, glad to work for their board.

That night at the opening Bard realized he was falling in love with Ginger. The event was a great success. Pietro, Angelo and Benito added just the right touch of color, but Eddy Jackson began to think that Ginger would have her hands full with them, and Jenky Brooks, who with her husband, Benny, were chaperones of the club, began to have misgivings. But the success soon won her over and they made plans to go on NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XIX  
 They took a childish delight in their rural environment, planting flowers in small nooks in the rocks and in the rifts of fallen logs; swinging baskets of trailing vines from porches and window ledges; spading up gardens where ever there was a bit of earth to be turned.

Mrs. Carter, the old mare, they groomed and curried as long as she had physical strength to endure it, and quarreled good-naturedly over turns at milking the cow. Every time Ginger appeared they handed their fresh lists of things they wanted brought out—more seeds for the garden, food for the birds which they wished to tame, materials for the construction of bird-houses, yeast for the raisin cider they were experimenting with, more ceramium slips.

In the general work of the house and gardens they were veritable treasures. Pietro concocted many strange delectable dishes, most gratifying to Iowa palates a bit satiated with time-honored roasts and fries, and experimented continually with new combinations of fruits and vegetables in the cellar, because as he told Jenky, "it's the use of these odd-ciders—and what-nots—that make a cook a chef!"

Benito spent most of his spare time constructing odd, attractive little bird-houses in every available site, and every day—and many times a day—made a slow, joyous tour of the grounds, tossing enticing seeds here and there, filling small jars with water, and chirruping to the birds companionably.

With no little effort, he contrived at last a genuine bird fountain lined with small rocks, and with a few days he had almost wept with joy to find his small feathered friends had accepted its proprietorship. Indeed, in a short time every wild creature on the place had lost all fear of the huge Italian, who moved so softly, stood so motionless, chirruped to them so affectionately with strange guttural sounds deep down in his melodic throat.

They looked after Ben with a deference and a polite attentiveness that quite went to the head of that humble person, so used to being overlooked in the pressure of more dominating types.

Within a short time he had perked up and was giving orders as if he really were somebody around there. To Jenky they were warmly subservient, leaping to do her will with a competitive eagerness that she found irresistibly flattering. She confided to Ginger that she had to admit she had grossly misjudged them, and were it not for the language into which they always lapsed when they were excited she wouldn't believe they were foreigners at all but just like everybody else.

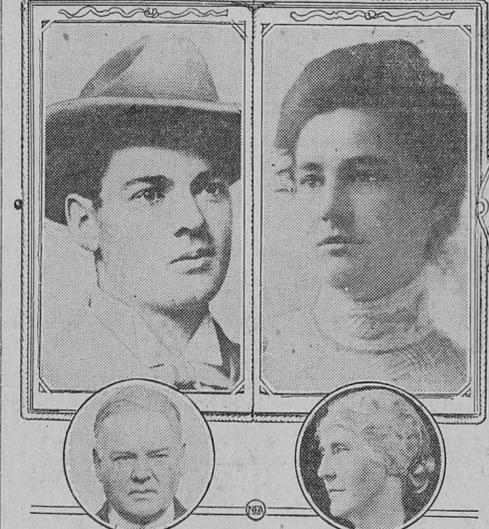
When the carpenters had finished work on the house and out-buildings, Ginger had them put in a small boat-landing on the rocks by the river directly back of the house.

Ginger had a use for that boat-landing, for she had bought at a great reduction from the Holiday Hardware Store three canoes which they had been displaying for every summer for five years at steadily decreasing prices. There wasn't much navigable river in that part of the country, but at least there was the pool opposite and a small stretch of good stream. Besides, the landing was effective and the boats lying bottom-side up lent a great deal of country-club atmosphere.

Benito was very fond of boating. And on the second day after his arrival, although he admitted that the boat was "queer shaped," and he didn't altogether understand the use of one oar, he ventured bravely forth in one of the canoes.

"You can't row with one!" he shouted back to the group on the shore. "She turns around."

### Hoovers Wedded 32 Years



**NEA Washington Bureau**  
 The successful young engineer who was just embarking on his career and the pretty school teacher whom he married in Monterey, Calif., on Feb. 10, 1899, celebrate their wedding anniversary in the White House this year as the president and the first lady of the land. The old family album pictures above show Mr. Hoover and Miss Lou Henry as they appeared on their wedding day, while below they are shown in their latest photographs.

### BROWN SHOES FOR GRAY SHIRTS

By United Press.  
 ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 4.—Contrary to edicts of previous years, masculine shoe styles for the coming spring will demand the wearing of "suitable brown" shoes with gray suits. Such was the general opinion at the 17th Annual Convention of the Middle Atlantic Shoe Retailers Association.

**LOW INFANT DEATH RATE**  
 SALEM, Ore., Feb. 4.—Oregon has the lowest infant death rate in the country, statistics released by the government show. The rate of deaths was 48 per 1,000. State of Washington was second with 49 deaths per 1,000.

### "NOW I EAT WHAT I LIKE," POPULAR WOMAN DECLARES



One after another, men and women all over the South and West are coming right out in public to tell others about this simple method to end indigestion and the gas, bloating, heartburn, headaches, etc., it causes.

Just the other day, Mrs. Rita Myers, popular young mother, of 2125 North Pearl St., Dallas, Texas, enthusiastically declared: "At last I have found real relief for indigestion. I eat what I like now without fear of that old, heavy feeling of stuffiness or of heartburn, gas and sour belching."

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# Ranger Times

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NANCY EARLE

#### BIOGRAPHY

Nancy Earle's life has been divided into three major classifications:

- Cultural Training-Newspaper Columnist
- Dramatics and Social Leadership
- Lecture Work.

Miss Earle, the daughter of influential southern parents, was given every opportunity to develop her talents. Her early education was followed by study in leading universities which led to three college degrees. While in college Miss Earle won distinction, both in her studies and in outside activities, which included research work in fashions, dietetics, and kindred phases of work.

Because of her concrete knowledge of those things of universal interest to women she was secured by a large newspaper syndicate to pass on her knowledge to their women readers. Her articles and personal column proved of great interest to women in all parts of the country.

Dramatics and social work took a large portion of Miss Earle's time for a number of years. President and director of five women's organizations, acting and directing in Little Theatre work, professional stage work, a continuation of her newspaper articles, together with further research work in the three cornerstones of woman's life—fashions, health, and homemaking—occupied Miss Earle's time for a number of years.

On account of her exceptional groundwork and past success Miss Earle was secured to take her messages direct to the women of the United States. Her itinerary carries her to every part of the country and her talks have been the means of entertaining and helping thousands of women.



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- Faded Hair Is Foe to Loveliness.*
- Common Sense Beautifiers will Hold Your Husband.*
- Little Courtesies of Family Life—An Expression of Beauty.*

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- Adventures in Personal Loveliness.*
- The Secret of Ever Youthful Hair.*
- Beware of Ugly Emotions.*
- Hiding Bad Points in Your Personal Appearance (Facial for Oily Skin).*
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"WHY FACE THE WORLD THROUGH 280 POUNDS OF FAT?"

- Bodily Vigor Vital to Mental Poise.*
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- Keeping Mentally Fit.*
- Music Is As Instructive As Breathing.*

For Women Only!  
An intimate talk on subjects of a personal nature.

Society and Club News

Dramatic Club to Present Three One-Act Plays Tonight. Young School Dramatic Club will present three one-act plays at the school auditorium tonight at 7:45.

Young School P. T. A. Meet With Mrs. Ruffner, Leader of Program. The Young School P. T. A. met yesterday afternoon with the program opening at 3:45, led by Mrs. R. C. Ruffner.

A paper, "How the Law of Learning Affects Character Building," was read by Mrs. R. H. Hodges.

The meeting was well attended with an award given the room having the largest number of mothers present.

A reading was given by Master Bill Robinson and a geography demonstration was featured by the fifth grade room pupils.

Shower Compliments Mrs. C. C. Cross. Members of the Goodfellowship class of the First Methodist church complimented Mrs. C. C. Cross with a lovely miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Cross's mother.

Child Study Club to Meet With Mrs. Parsons. Members of Child Study Club No. 2 will meet with Mrs. George Parsons hostess, at the home of her mother, Mrs. E. M. Plumley, on Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

Mmes. Avelsgard, Gray and Perry Are Winners At Pretty Bridge Party. High club prize was awarded Mrs. H. Avelsgard with high guest presented to Mrs. Owen Perry and high cut to Mrs. Homer Perry.

NEVER MISSED IN 25 YEARS. McKeesport, Pa., Feb. 4.—Miss Margaret Claire, McKeesport, has not missed a Sunday school session for the past 25 years.

By feeding rats foods containing small quantities of aluminum, iron, copper and other metals, significant facts relating to the importance of these substances to the human diet have been learned at Johns Hopkins University.

WANT TRUCKS TO BUILD ROADS. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 4.—A bill has been introduced in the Tennessee legislature by Rep. R. M. Murray, Carroll County, that would compel motor carriers engaged in commercial traffic to build their own highways.

When an artist resists a temptation it is easy for him to say, "That's where I draw the line."

Announcing New Spring Dresses Have Arrived! NOW ON DISPLAY and priced at \$9.90 and \$16.75

Just out of their tissue wrappings—New Frocks for Spring—They have grace and charm that's fashioned in colors that strike a new note. Trimmings that give added beauty.

Daily now we will be receiving new styles and ask you to call and see them.

New Millinery Silk Straws and Braids \$1.95 to \$4.98

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HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN

CHARM CHATS

by Nancy Earle

Noted Authority and Writer on Health, Charm and Beauty.

"And there's the annual charity ball next Tuesday," said the voice at the other end of the telephone wire, "and I just wondered if you would give me your formula for weight reduction. I'm so very anxious to appear my best."

I felt myself turn pale. Reduce! Next Tuesday!

Like buying a new gown, or having the hair marcelled. Getting ready for a gala social event, and discovering that the waistline needed a bit of touching-up! Next Tuesday!

Well! I am not certain that the listening lady did listen throughout the discourse I sent scurrying across the wires to her. But if she did I feel sure that she did not have to alter her gown for next Tuesday's event.

The evils of rapid weight reduction are manifold. The health is injured in many different ways. The appearance suffers very pointedly. And last but not by any means least, the family of the reducing enthusiasts is hard put to endure the exigencies of living with her. Everybody suffers.

The health takes the heaviest toll. For example, let us recall those cases of proud ladies who in a few weeks time hung their size forty-twos scornfully back in a dark place in the closet, and tripped down to the modiste for some size's sixties.

Haven't you known some of them? And have you noticed how very frequently after a brief period they begin to complain of vague ills vaguely here and there about the body? Something hurts right here or right there.

Why this morning, my dear, I could hardly get up from the breakfast table and I've been prone this livelong day. Why, you've no idea what I've suffered, my dear, in these last 24 hours. I wonder if it's something that will require an operation."

Many times it is something which requires an operation. Many times these symptoms mark the beginning of a long life of subnormal health, marred by lowered vitality and chronic pains and premature old age.

Now these vague pains are not accidental, and neither are they

figments of the patient's imagination. They are very real pains for all their being vaguely located just somewhere "in my side" or "my back."

Many of them are the direct result of rapid weight reduction. In this way.

As an individual accumulates fat it is not precisely in the form of layers of fatty tissues piled on the outer surface of the body. Many individuals have the mistaken notion that this is the case. They think that somewhere submerged under this new swathing of fat folds is their olden self just as she used to be.

Yet this is not true. On the contrary, the fat permeates the entire body. It extends all through the body, all through the tissues.

Now the vital organs are supported in the viscera chiefly by the muscle structure. The muscle structure of the body, in other words, holds the vital organs in place.

As the newly acquired fat builds up to enclose the organs, however, per-meating as it does the entire body, it usurps the function of the muscles to a large extent and assumes their responsibility of keeping the vital organs in place.

That is one of the characteristics of this human machine of ours. If there is no direct demand upon some one part of it, then that part simply curls up in a comfortable nap and "let's George do it." The function is lost.

The old illustration of an arm bound to the side of the body. That arm peers around and seeing that there is no work to be done, just settles itself down and quits.

The power and strength of it are soon lost. It loses its function when the function is not used.

Likewise when the muscles which normally support the vital organs find that the fat will do the work, they too settle down and quit. Upon the fat then depends the entire duty of supporting these organs.

Then if that fat is suddenly removed! The result is obvious. The organs suffer prostrate. There is nothing to support them and they sag or "fall." And the many individual disorders of which a pro-lapsed organ is the beginning quickly follow.

those arch fees of personal effectiveness, yield like dew to the sun, before a few simple principles of applied psychology.

"And the woman who has these various attributes of grooming, plus that philosophy of life which spells vivacity, poise, brilliance, sweetness and self-assurance, may have yellow hair, black hair, red hair—or no hair at all!—and gentlemen would still prefer her. For if she didn't have any hair at

Gentlemen do not prefer blondes!

"Most emphatically they do not prefer blondes," exclaims Nancy Earle, who is to conduct The Times' Charm School in the first floor of the Masonic building from Feb. 10 through Feb. 13. Miss Earle's decisive statement takes direct issue with Anita Loos, petite and raven haired agitator of the "gentlemen's preference" in the color of Milady's locks.

Much has been written, and more has been said, on the subject since Miss Loos's phrase became famous. It has become somewhat trite and timeworn, but apparently the facts have not been determined as yet, and it is still being talked about. Miss Earle has her own opinions in the matter, and interesting opinions they are, especially for those whose tresses are not golden.

"But," asserts Miss Earle, whose Charm Chats in this newspaper have attracted such tremendous interest, "neither do gentlemen prefer brunettes. Nor do they even find their ultimate preference among those supposedly so seductive sisters whose crowns of glory are in shades of red.

"The color of the hair matters not one whit. What he prefers, whether it is topped by hair of black, or brown, or auburn, or gold, is that nameless allurements to which we have given the name of charm. No one knows this better than Miss Loos herself, her amusing whimsy notwithstanding. For isn't she, black locks and all, a radiantly charming person?"

And what, asks the woman who reads these words, is this charm which gentlemen prefer? We refer you again to Miss Earle.

"Charm," she reiterates, "is not a matter of the color of one's hair, or the shape of one's face. Or, is it that one is tall, or short of stature. Or that one's mouth is large or small, or one's nose turns up or down.

"It's all in knowing what to do with that red, or black, or wheaten hair. How to coil it, how to keep it soft and bright, how to make it an asset, by means of utilizing its special loveliness to emphasize the special personality type to which it belongs. It's in knowing how to keep that figure, tall or short, free from pudginess or scrawn, and in bringing into 'enchanting focus' the special attractiveness which belongs to the petite figure, or that intrinsic beauty which the tall woman may possess.

"And charm resides, too, in these less specific attributes of mind and heart and emotion which, for all their elusiveness, can be cultivated by any woman who has the will. Self-confidence, poise, humor, a well-furnished mind, understanding, all lend themselves to the determination of the woman who desires them enough to study the principles which underlie their attainment and to put those principles into effect. Timidity and self-consciousness, for example,

Personal Mention

Miss Lois E. Campbell of Illinois, who has been a visitor in Ranger for the past three weeks, left this morning for her home in San Benito, Texas, where she will join her parents. Miss Campbell directed the play recently presented at the high school auditorium.

Howard R. Gholson was a business visitor in Dallas yesterday. Mrs. Nancy Boen is seriously ill at her home.

Jimmie Farrell and C. Conklin of Dallas were visitors here last evening.

Mrs. H. R. Gholson and Mrs. C. C. Craig returned home today following several days' business visit in Dallas.

J. R. Jarvis, Lone Star representative of Dallas, was a business visitor here yesterday.

D. A. Koons, who is associated with the Independent Torpedo company at Tulsa, is a business visitor in Ranger today.

John M. Gholson is spending this week in West Texas, where he is transacting business matters.

Dr. A. N. Harckler returned home last night after a short visit to Greenwood, La., where he has been visiting his mother, Mrs. J. C. Harckler, who has been quite ill but is reported much improved.

all, why, we'd help her grow some!" Ranger women will gather from this that Miss Earle is guide, philosopher, and friend extraordinary to those who wish to make more of themselves and of their lives. She is, in her five talks of which the Charm School is composed, every phase of a woman's life is discussed with a view to elevating it to a higher standard of beauty and joy and meaningfulness. The Charm School is sponsored by The Times solely as a courtesy to the women of Ranger. No charges of any kind will be made. Nothing will be sold. Save the hours from 2:30 to 4 p. m., and be among those at the Masonic Temple, the lower floor, who are entertained and helped by these unusual lectures.

SMALL APARTMENTS ARE IN DEMAND

By United Press. CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 4.—Smaller apartments are the trend in the Cleveland building trade, according to the annual report of the Board of Zoning Appeals, which showed demands for five, six and seven room apartments are declining in favor of two and three room suites.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO STUDY MOVIES

By United Press. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4.—Five prominent Presbyterians were recently named a committee to investigate charges of vulgarity in movie advertising. The selections were made by Rev. Hugh Thomson Kerr, moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

STONE MOUNTAIN TITLE TRANSFERRED

By United Press. ATLANTA, Feb. 4.—Title to the Stone Mountain Memorial site here has been transferred by the Venerable family, owners, to the City of Atlanta, forecasting early resumption of work.

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