XMAS SHOPPERS HOUSTON HOTEL THRONG STORES FIRE FATAL TO 3

Christmas Rush in Full Blast-Stores Report Good Business

PLAN FOR CHARITY WORK GUESTS FLEE IN NIGHTIES

Elks Donate \$100 And Appoint Committee-Survey of City Being Made -Community Tree Possible

The Elks have concluded arrangments with Gates Aerial Circus. airplane stunt artists, for an engagement Sunday afternoon in the interests of the Christmas Charity program.

With but 7 more days after today for completing Christmas preparations the general cry raised in this city this afternoon was: "Why didn't I start shopping about a week before I

Finding no answer, the belated unfor tunates shook their heads grimly and determined they would have to make up for lost time.

The stores were crowded throughout the day, Most of them will remain open nights until Christmas.

The stores report a spurt of trade during yesterday and today, and expect that during the next few days the rush will reach greater proportions, The rush at the post office was

greater than yesterday. The writing of letters to Santa Claus has not died out during the present generation, and this fact is shown by the many letters asking for toys and other things that have been received at

the Reporter office. For several days the stores of the city have been decorated with Christmas tokens of one sort and another. by the fire which started in the hotel. Store windows present an attractive The loss was estimated at \$500,000. display that proves increasing difficult for window shoppers to pass by.

ing into the city loaded with cedar fled out into the cold drizzling rain. trees for Christmas and in families with kiddles there will be little rest to arrive on the scene. He ran thru

In the meantime plans for Comidly whipped into shape. Chief of Po- by flames. lice Johnson and Secretary J. A. Mc-Curdy of the Board of City Development made a survey of the city Tues- blaze somewhat under control, the to March 4, with no lawful means of throw the institutions of the American day in an attempt to get in touch with north wall of the hotel, blown by a disposing of it. all of the poor families that will need stiff north wind tumbled through two outside help if Santa Claus comes, floors to the W. C. Munn Dry Goods While it is pointed out that there is Store adjoining. less poverty this year than last, yet Mrs. A. F. Anderson of Lakewood, there are many poor families who N. Y. scrambled to safety down a fire through misfortune or otherwise, will ladder, carrying a small baby in her not be provided for.

The Sweetwater Lodge of Elks has donated \$100 for this and has appointed R. M. Chitwood, Seth Johnson and T. L. Hughes as a committee to work wit hthe other organizations to see that the charity funds are expended.

It is entirely possible that a Community Christmas tree will also be in place on the Square with a program similar to last years. The West Texas Telectric Co. has offered free lighting and decoration.

HAVE SCHOOL PAPER

First Issue "School World" Makes Its Appearance Tuesday

The first issue of the "School World" this week. On the masthead was the statement that it was published semimonthly by Hardin and Embry, with Wiley Embry, editor, and Herman Hardin manager. Others on the editorial staff included Tom Pense, sport Doris Bradford, literary editor High

paper, and with a wealth of interesting school material contained therein, bad. the magazine reflects great credit on the editorial staff,

TELEPHONE RECORD

telephone exchange has "hooked in" weeks vacation ha sbeen customary a net gain of 47 telephones in this city during the holidays with one week desince the first of October, and today voted to Institute Week but this year has a total of 963 phones tied in on Institute was held the first week of the local switchboard. According to the term. Manager Atkins this is the largest num ber of patrons ever served by the local exchange.

Little Miss Lucile Grogan, of Fort ably light rain; warmer. Worth, has gone to El Paso to spend the holidays with her mother, following a short visit here with her grand- lene this morning after a week end been hinted at strongly in the cross ing cigarettes from interstate shipmother, Mrs. E. V. Grogan,

Seven More Shopping Days Finds Damages \$500,000 Caused When Capitol Hotel at Houston Goes up In

Early Morning Fire

Patrolmen Carries Two Women Out-Stairs Menaced by Flames-Others Jumped From Upper Floors

By The United Press. HOUSTON, Dec. 18 .- Three bodies, all so badly burned that it was impossible to tell whether they were men or women, have been taken from the burning ruins of the Capitol Hotel, which burn-

ed early this morning. Firemen are raking over the hot debris attempting to find possible additional victims.

Several persons were slightly injured by jumping from upper floor. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

By The United Press.

HOUSTON, Dec. 18,-The huddled body of a man was found by firemen searching the smoking ruins of the Capitol Hotel which was destroyed in an early morning blaze here today.

The body was so badly burned that identification was impossible. The hotel register is being checked up in an effort to learn his identity. He was evidently trapped in a smoke filled hallway and crashed to death when the floor

Seven business firms in the heart of the business district were wiped out

When firemen arrived on the scene the hotel was a mass of flames. Scores

Patrolman O. C. Friday was the first the defeat of the regulars. until these households are also provid the corridors of the hotel and gave the crued interest on alien property seizalarm. Two women who fled in flim- ed during the war to the starving child sy night clothes were carried to safety ren of Germany was provided for in a m when the stairs were menaced

The origin of the fire is unknown.

Dozens of persons jumped to life nets from the second story.

Official Statement From Mexico Says Mexican Rebels Have Not Won Any ictory At All

By The United Press. MEXICO CITY, Dec. 18 .- The only the Rebels marched into Puebla, which marriage license by County Clerk Gus was voluntarily evacuated by the Fed- Farrar. erals as part of a pre arranged plan,

offical advices declared today. Obregonists are predicting a speedy end to the rebellion once a general made is appearance on Tuesday of attack is launched under the personal direction of President Obregon.

BUYS T. J. CLEGG STEERS

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 18 .- W. W. Barron of Rotan, president of a bank editor (Edrie Gordon, news editor and in that town and of another bank at Roby, bought 550 coming two and three year old steers in San Angelo Of 20 pages neatly printed on book Monday from T. J. Clegg, local ranchman. Delivery was made at Carles-

SCHOOL CLOSES FRIDAY

Schools of the city will close Friday fo rthe holidays, They will reopen BALLINGER, Dec. 18.-The local Monday, January 31. Heretofore two

WEATHER

West Texas-Tonight and Wednesday cloudy and unsettled with prob-

Henry Brownrigg returned to Abivisit here with his family.

Is There a Santa Claus

The heart of childhood is thrilled now at the approach of Christmas-the one great outstanding event in the life of boys and girls. Think back through the years and re-member what it meant to you. But there are many homes right here in Sweetwater where lanta Claus will be but an empty name. On Christmas mon there will be no bulging stockins, no glittering tree leden with toys and candy. Through misfortune of one sort and another-these homes will be left off from Santa Class' visiting list Don't you want to play Santa Claus to senebody? Think of the joy and happiness that a small check will bring to some forlorn home. There is more real happiness in store for those who play "Santa Claus" than can secure in any other way. Your check, sent to the h porter, will be turned over to the committee in charge. Names of those who Santa might forget will also be turned over to the committee.

DEMOCRATS WIN SOVIETS GET AN

To Elect Senator Smith, Democrat, to Secretary of State Hughes Tells Bol Chairmanship Senate Interstate Commerce Committee

PROGRESSIVE

Refusal Progressive Republicans to Confiscating American Property-Vote For Cummins Brings Split And Election Democrat

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- President Coolidge was notified today by Senate Administration leaders that Senator Smith, democrat of South Carolina would be elected chairman of the In terstate Commerce Committee,

Senator Waton of Indiana told the president during the conference at the White House that the election of Sen-Sunday there were many cars pass- of guests, clad in scanty night attire, ator Smith was expected today. The message was taken as an indication of

Gifts of more than \$27,000,000 ac

MASTER 10 LANGUAGES

Brother-in-Law A/ Levy is Gifted Linguist-Spoke at Church

Dr. R. Rosenwaffer, brother-in-law of A. Levy of this city, left Monday clearing up of the following: confiscaafternoon for San Antonio and nearby points, after which he will go on to by the Bolshevists, the Russian debt Rochester, N. Y. Formerly professor to the United States and Bolshevik of language at the University of Cincinnati Dr Rosenwaffer is master of ten languages, ancient and modern.

Sunday night he spoke most interestingly at the First Christian Church on "The Basic Element of Religion."

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Cecil Earl Hollis of Quanah and

VOTE ON BONDS

Mitchell County Good Roads Program To Be Decided Today

Special to The Reporter. COLORADO, Dec. 18,-Mitchell County is balloting on a \$650,000 road bond issue today.

Bad weather forecasts a light vote. The campaign has been waged strongly by pro and anti adherants.

Fox Defense Based Upon Insanity-Hints of Sensational Developments in Rebuttal Promised

By The United Press. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 18 .- The defense in the trial of Phil E. Fox

charged with the murder of W. S. Cobern, rested its case today. The defense built up its case principally on the plea of insanity. Alienists testified that Fox told them the "Voice of God commanded him to kill Cobern."

The prosecution in rebuttal is expected to bring out a number of senexamination.

shevik Government Why U. S. Will Not Negotiate

BLOC RAISE THREE OBJECTIONS

-Repudiation Russian Debt And Soviet Propoganda Are Named

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- Secretary Hughes, replying to the note from the Soviet government received yesterday, declared today that there is no reason for negotiations at this time between the two governments.

He made the following statement:

'There would seem to be at this time no reason for negotiations. The American government is not oposing to barter its principles. It requires no conference nor negotiation to bring to light evidence of good faith at Moscow.

America has not incurred the Senate today. Reports from the debts in Russia nor repudiated liabi-Alien Property Custodian showed to littles there. More serious still is the Shortly after the firemen had the tal interest of \$27,900,912 on hand up continuation of propoganda to over- Berly White Stepped Through Ceiling government, originating at Moscow. This government can enter into no negotiations until these efforts are aban doned."

The statement of Secretary Hughes was approved by President Coolidge 20 feet. in a Cabinet meeting. Action demand ed by the United States include the tion of American property in Russia propoganda against American institu-

OLD LAND MARK BURNS

HAMLIN, Dec. 18 .- Fire recently destood on the south end of Central many years.

FIREBOYS DONATE

HAMLIN, Dec. 18,-Members of the Volunteer Fire Department of Hamlin recently contributed \$500 toward the urchase of a new Chemical Fire Truck.

SNOW NORTH

Advices reaching here from Lubbock Floydada and other Plains points report snow falling throughout Tuesday. The snow is melting almost as rapidly as it falls however.

Two Escaped Federal Prisoners Are Rounded Up at Perry, Okla-Esscaped at Caldwell Days Ago

By The United Press.

PERRY Okla., Dec. 18 .- William Turner and Arnold Ammons who escaped from a Rock Island train near Caldwell while being taken to the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth several days ago are being held here today follow ing a confession of their identity to local authorities.

Both are from Ft. Worth and are un

KING OF GREECE PLAN TO BUY CAR OUT TREES FOR CITY

King George is Invited to Leave Country For Good

SENT VENIZELOS BAND

Former Premier Invited to Return-Result Recent Elections Brings Republican Move to Head

By The United Press.

PARIS, Dec. 18 .- A dispatch received here today from Athens said that King George had departed from Athens. This was taken to mean that he had started his journey out of the country.

By The United Press.

ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 18 .-Greece will become a Republic shortly, in all probability.

King George has been asked to leave the country by the representatives of the Republicans and of the army and navy groups.

From his summer place 20 miles away, King George defies the Republicans, "I won't go," he said. "Let them come and try to remove me."

Col. Plastiras head of the military orces, has made arrangements for King George to leave Wednesday for Constanza aboard the yacht Narcissus. Former Premier Venizelos has been

sent for by his supporters. Venizelos received a heavy vote in the recent elections. The Republicans also show ed heavy gains in these elections and the result has been to bring the Republican movement to a head.

For several months past, each week end has seen demonstrations favoring a republic. Sunday before last a large crowd gathered in the Public Square in Athens and shouted "Down with the King."

The sweeping defeat of the Royalsts a tthe polls precipitated the move nent for the downfall of dynastic government.

Fears for the safety of the king are

expressed by his friends.

WORKMAN INJURED -Fell 20 Feet, Taken Home

Berly White, who is working on the Presbyterian church, sustained a sprained wrist and ankle when he step ped through a ceiling scuttle, falling

He was removed to his home on the

Old Presbyterian Church Will Soon be Memory-Stood on Lot For Thirty Years-Building New

Work of demolishing the old Presstroyed the Orient Hotel, one of the byterian Church in order to make few wooden landmarks of Hamlin, It room for the splendid new edifice that will shortly grace the spot whereon it semblence of Rebel victory is when Miss Rebecca Thomas were issued a Avenue and has been untenanted for stands is now well under way. Just a day or so and it will have vanished into memory, after standing for more Big Spring west Monday night. But than 30 years.

> Although the Presbyterian congregation was organized in Sweetwater in 1880, the church now being torn down dates back to 1891. The lot upon which it stands was given to the congregation by the T-P railway, follow- travel, it is announced. No. 5 was ing similar action to the other con-operated in two sections Tuesday gregations of the city.

Rev. J. H. Zively was pastor at the time the church was built. Only the Bardwells and Mrs. William Wight rewhen the church was organized.

SET FAIR DATES

LUBBOCK, Dec. 18,-The Panhandle South Plains Fair dates for 1924 have for beverage purposes in violation of been set for October first to fourth in the prohibition laws. clusive and plans are already getting under way for an enlargement of the scope o fthe fair and many improvements to the grounds and buildings.

Mrs. A. J. Simmons left this afternoon for her home at Topeka, Kan., following a visit here with her nephew tracts and are determined to break C. R. Simmons and family. She has up the practice. been in Texas the past eight weeks, visiting relatives at different points.

week with her,

Republic Will be Formed Shortly As Ladies Auxiliary and Board of City Development Work in Conjunction to

Beautify the City PROGRESS REPORTED

M. C. Manroe, of Band Committee, Tells of Encouraging Work of Bandmaster LeMaire Here

Inauguration of a tree planting campaign in co-operation with the Ladies Auxiliary was among the more important items decided upon at the meeting of the Board of City Development Monday night.

John T. Johnson, Carl Ragland and L. J. Geer were appointed a commit-

tee to further the proposition It is planned to purchase a carload of suitable trees for shade purposes and resell these at cost to the citizens of the town. Orders for the trees will be taken before the carload is purchased. By this method property owners will be able to beautify their property at considerable less expense than

would be the case ordinarily. Numerous cities in West Texas have in times past adopted this method very successfully in adding to the beauty of

residence districts. Definite data from nurserymen and others will be secured on the kind of trees which will be best suited for this

M. C. Manroe, chairman of the Band Committee, made a very encouraging report on the progress of the Sweetwater Band. Under the capable direction of Harry Le Maire, a band of about 30 boys have been trained up to the point where they are nearly ready for public appearance. The band is rehearsing regularly and working hard it was brought out.

Progress relative to development of the highway north was also reported. Considerable correspondence along the lines suggested at the last meeting was outlined and the project continued for further consideration

RAISE MONEY

Abilene Baptist Subscribe \$100,000 For Endowment Simmons

ABILENE, Dec. 18,-Baptists of this city subscribed a total of more than \$100,000 toward the \$300,000 additional endowment fund for Simmons College. The drive for this amount, launched recently by the Board of Trustees of the college in announcement of gifts from their number amounting to \$75,-000, was inaugurated in order to meet the proposition of the General Education Board of New York City of a gift of \$100,000 toward Simmons endowment wit hthe condition that Abione hundredcmfwshrdlcmfwycmfwvbg lene raise the other \$200,000. The one hundred thousand pledged Sunday includes the subscriptions of the Trus

SNOW WEST

A light snow, that melted almost as rapidly as it fell, was reported from little remained Tuesday morning.

EXTRA TRAIN

Trains No. 5 and 6 on the T-P will be operated in two sections until after the holidays to accomodate the extra morning.

HELD FOR GRAND JURY

main of the original congregation Local Merchant Charged With Sale of Jamaica Ginger as Beverage

> Examining trial was given H. Freeman, local merchant, Tuesday morning on a charge of selling Jamaica Ginger

> Bond was fixed at \$1,000 pending the action of the grand jury at the March

term of court. Local authorities say that little if any whiskey is being sold locally but numerous cases of intoxication have been traced to "jake" and flavoring ex-

Frank Davis spent the weekend at home and returned to McMurray Col-Mrs. J H. Doscher is expecting her lege this morning to finish his examina parents, Mr and Mrs, C. P. Shearn and tions before the holiday vacation, He sational angles to the case which have der sentences for three-years for steal brother W. C. Shearn of Houston to will return home Thursday night to reach here Sunday to spend Christmas spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Davis,

ance against war," that it would sem

that several peace prizes ought to be

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OFFENDING THE ANGELS

have petitioned the supreme court for ment buying admirals and generals: an order permitting the voluntary dissolution of the organization. In the early years of its efforts the Interchurch Movement was going to revolutionze the influence of the churches in American affairs. It started out to be a powerful application of the combined forces of the church to improve the welfare of mankind. It was to be incorporated movement with the Golden Rule and the Sermon on the Mount as as chief articles of its constitution. Contributions rolled in, an expensive staff of executives and secretaries was called this action theft; but it takes engaged, and the missionary effort proceeded with fine flair. But before long some of the secretaries and their underlings began taking the spirit of the new order too seriously and literally. They began probing into steel strikes. corporate profits, housing situations, wages charities and melon cuttings. And as diligently as they probed they proceeded to tell the public of the results of their findings. They acted upon the theory that if the truth were brought to light it would bring its own correction. After this event contributhusiastic as they were. The expert fact finders for the movement were instructed to wear blinders when dealing with conditions that certain influential folks did not want found out or harped upon. At any rate there were no more revelations. The modern evangel that was to preach a new sermon from the Mount was muzzled. And now the movement goes its way to oblivion like all others that imagine they have a call to regenerate the world without consulting the commissary department or the collection box. If the alternative of this passing was a gag upon truth and a ban upon sincerity the lost hope will have few

The secretary of the navy speaking: day morning, except Saturday and its "The navy of the United States is so Weekly edition on Thursday by The ill balanced and so deficient in cruiser Sweetwater Reporter, Inc. Houston strength that it would be put to a seri Harte President; Minor Shutt, Vice- ous disadvantage in major operations President; Willie Rowan, Secretary of any kind," So start the ballyhoo Treasurer. Entered as second sclass for a few hundred million more appromail matter at the postoffice at priations. Some one ought to present the department heads who are forever predicting the "next war," or the more euphonious "major operations" that mean the same thing, with nicely engrossed reports of the hopes, orations and treaties that were deluged upon the world from the Washington disarmament conference. If these saving elements are so soon out of fashion the late fourteen points will have good company in the burying ground for world hopes. Cities that have an for a memorial to the late President emergency claim upon the government | Harding is that his effort to promote Classified advertisting rates are 1c for new federal buildings, districts that world disarmament and world peace per word per insertion; minimum need internal improvements, organizacharge for first insertion 30c. Local tions that plead for help in reforesta career. Secretary Denby's plea for readers 10c per line per insertion. tion throughout the nation are told more fighting machinery is something Cards of thanks, resolutions of respect that they will have to wait a few years of a contradiction to the spirit of and in memorium 5c per line, Display more. But the sword shakers and bat Harding week. advertising rates on application to the tleship and munition makers are advancing upon the treasury with scoop and shovels to help themselves to all

That the country is getting on to the deceit practiced by some of these fellows who forever shout of what they are doing for peace white secretly and openly plotting for war is indicated by some of the American comment on the decision of the Nobel committee to The Interchurch World Movement of award no peace prize this year. This North America has come to an untime- moves the Detroit News to exclaim, ly end. A majority of its directors with particular reference to our arma-

> candidates that the parliament of Nor way has declined to issue a 1923 prize. There is M. Poincare a very dove, who by insisting on the Versailles treaty and backing it with an army twice as great as any other in the world has reduced Central Europe to a boiling caldron of peace. There is the council of ambassadors, who, fearful that Italy might start something awarded her several million dollars belonging to Greece. Some commentators have more or less courage for even a diplomat to thieve. Has the Storthing considered this act in the interest of peace Next there is Mr. Trotsky, who has

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held back his myrmidons from Miss Ruth Davis, who is a Junior program of world-conquest, The at Lawton, Okla., high school will are those gentlemen of Spain who and reach home for the holiays Thursday ed, at least temporarily, the was in night. She was chosen on her school Morocco by grafting so extensively debating team to decide the city team that that the army couldn't get its up of champions last Friday and her plies. There is Ismet Pasha, team won. There was only one other promised that Turkey would fight no girl besides herself on the teams with more if the other nations would eve 14 boys the most of them from the her everything she wanted-and bey senior class. did. In short, the world is so clude ed with peace, so crowded with armed men to keep it, and so busy buying armaments which are "the best infur-

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Brownsville might not be half bad, and loaded up his guns and pharaphernalia and went on. Then he met some Texas Rangers and they asked him where he was going. He told them and they told him of a brush they had had with some Mexican banfrom his brother down Corpus Christi dits on this side of the border, of a shot horse or two, etc. George said his brother sort of lost interest in venison, at least in the kind that grows where he had intended to go after it.

> The Abilene-Waco game for the State Football championship will be played at Dallas Friday afternoon. It's too bad the game could not have been played in West Texas this year but here's hoping the Abilenians bring the championship itself to West Texas. That will be even better.

Sam Parker and Jim Collins, of the local T-P forces came back Monday night with different tales about the number of ducks they brought back with them but with exceptional stories about the number of ducks they saw. They went out on the divide near No



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********************************* lan where recent rains have put a foot or two of water in the maize fields. pound sack of English walnuts from a

harvested maize, and according to the W. T. Cordell, at Los Angeles, Cal. story ,the ducks are about as numerous as creditors on a long delayed pay

there is still some game down on the Llano.

Some one with more pride than hon- the third member asked. esty, exchanged an ordinary radiator cap for a Motometer with Mrs. Emmitt Glass Sunday night during church of the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. H. Fultz has received a 40 The ducks are getting fat on this un- tree in the yard of her mother, Mrs.

At a meeting of the Board of City Development, came a phone call for one of the members. "Find out who Ray Bardwell came back late Mon- it is and tell 'em I'll call 'em." "E day night with two deer and a wild think its your wife," came the reply turkey or two as tangible evidence that from the man at the phone. "Did you notice how he jumped when he heard it was his wife " another mem ber queried a third. "Don't we all?"

Mr. and Mrs. Vick will leave Wednesday for their new home at Memservices. The car was parked in front phis, Tenn., they will spend Christmas enroute with relatives in Mississippi.

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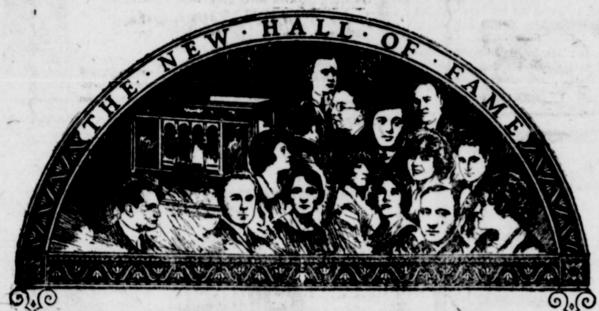
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The following program was given: Reading, Naomi George,

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· according to the decision of the judges Mrs. Verda Farris, W. L. Wilson, J. M. Simms. Refreshments were served

Miss Kemble Roy, who is a second year student at the Oklahoma C. I. A, at Chickasha, Okla., will return home Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Roy. Her cousin Mrs. Joe Lisman, will accompany her as far as Abilene and will spend Christ mas with her sister, Mrs. George Pearce, before coming on to Sweet-

Miss Eunice Langley, who is a mem ber of the South Ward school faculty, will leave Friday night to spend the holidays at Carthage with relatives and friends.

Mrs. H. C. Hord will leave Wednesday morning for Abilene to spend the holidays with her daughter Mrs. Ben with Mrs. Cage at the piato and Or L. Cox and Mrs. Earl Hoppe. Judge

Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Beall, Jr., Debate, resolved that Fire is more de- and little son will leave Saturday for structive than water; affirmative Miss Plano, to spend the holidays with her Dorothy Fultz and Clifton Lambert; ne mother, Mrs. J. S. Arledge and family.

zMr. and Mrs. Johnie Humphries have been enjoying a visit from his mother Christmas song. Little Miss Hodges. for several days past. She returned In the debate the negative side won today to her home at St. Louis.



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