Sweetwater Daily Reporter

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THE SWEETWATER DAILY REPORTER, SWEETWATER, TEXAS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1923

BUSINESS REMEMBER PHONE GIRLS Stacks of Fruit and Candy Sent to "Hello" Girls Here CONTINU

Major Business Life of 1923 Will be Carried on Into New Year is Forecast by Experts

LOW

INVENTORIES ALL

Credit Remains Steady-Railroad Prosperity Big Factor-Reach New Records in Car Loadings

By The United Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- The major movement of the busines life of the United States in 1923-conservative BIG AIR LINER IS business with a weather eye for expansion-will be carried forward into 1924.

Bracing this undercurrent there will be hopes for a forward bulge around Possibility Expressed That a Part of Jan. 15. The fundamental factors, in the main, are of a constructive nature and a good turn-for instance, a settle ment, partial or otherwise of the cross currents in Europe or a happy readjustment of spotty overproduction domestically-would loosen the bonds of the fortunate restriction practiced by the American business world through out the larger part of the passing year.

On the whole the business picture for 1923 has been a healty one. Irregu larity-that is a few pink spots on a graph otherwise vigorously markedhave crept in. There has been overproduction in some lines due to the unnatural swing witnessed in the spring of the big dirigible may have escaped of the year but anything approaching alive, the accepted meaning of the term "reaction" has been avoided.

The result is, according to the consensus of the business world, for good business for the first 6 months of 1924. at Cuerres for eight days. It is noted that the year will start off with extremely low inventories genentirely favorable to production and planes with redoubled vigor. distribution.

rents of the passing year shows the told the United Press todaq. following:

prices. An advance of 2.2 per cent Lacking definite word since 2 a. m. in Bradstreet's commodity index num- Friday, the French government does ber in December brought it to the high not know whether the big dirigible is Special to The Reporter. est point it reached since May 1 of still hovering helpless in the air pow-1923. Compared with the year's low erless to land or has come down a

Christmas was real to the members of the local telephone exchange. For Christmas cheer in the shape of candy and fruit found its way to the "Hello" girls in quantities exceedingly liberal. And even more appreciated by the girls were the letters of appreciation that accompanied the gifts.

WEATHER

West Texas tonight and Thursday partly cloudy: colder in the Panhandle



Crew May Have Escaped Death in Wreck of Big Dirigible

ARE SCOURING SAHARA DESERT

Camel Couriers, Cavalry and Airplanes Used in Search of Gasbag Missing Since Last Friday

By The United Press.

PARIS, Dec. 26 .- Hope for the missing air liner Dixmude was virtually abandoned today by the French Marine.

The only thing that remains is the hope that a part at least of the crew

Nothing definite from the Dixmude has been heard since a wireless message was picked up yesterday.

She has been missing from her base The search for the missing liner,

supposed to be in Northeast Africa efally and credit promises to hold somewhere, is being conducted today steady at December levels which are by camel couriers, cavalry and air

"We expect nothing not but bad A brief review of the dominant cur- news, "The French Ministry of Marine

"Our only hope is that the crew of The movement of the commodity the Dixmude has reached the ground."

NETS RICH HAU **OUITTING NATION** Goldberg Loan Office Loses \$30,000 Private Dispatches From San Antoni Diamonds and Money While Po-Say Three Carloads Furniture En-

TULSA PAWNSHOP REPORT OBREGON

VISIT WORLDS BUSIEST CORNER HOLIDAY

Daylight Robbery United Cigar Stor Corner State and Madison, Chicago

liceman Looks on Innocently

While Hundreds Pass

By The United Press.

TULSA. Okla., Dec. 1 26,--- \$30,-000 worth of diamonds and cash was the amount of the loot obtained by two bandits this morning who held up Wm. Goldberg, of the firm of the Harry Goldberg Loan office and R. D. Hanawalt, a customer of the shop.

The bandits forced the men back into the vault and escaped in an auto.

Policeman F. A. Franford looked on, believing that the robbers were employes of the loan office.

The pawnshop is located in the heart of the city where hundreds of pedestrians passed during the holdup.

Although Goldberg reported the robbery to the police immediately no

day held up a United Cigar Store on battle the corner of State and Madison, the busiest corner in the world, and escap ed with \$250 in an auto, Henry fronts. Greely, clerk, had just opened up for the day's business.

While work bound crowds passed by the door, the bandits entered, covered' the clerk with pistols looted the cash

ents at Eskota.

Slaying Stanford White

By The United Press.

Hospital for the insane.

partment turned out with their usual ter U. S. Via Laredo speed and strangely enough the fire was reported at the residence of Dan TRUCE OBSERVED Childress, but this time instead of a stubborn blaze to fight, they ran up

Fire Crackers Popping in Mexico Like against the hospitality of their Chief. Average Mexican Battle-Cabaa necktie, silk socks and a feed were rets Are Crowded tangible evidence of his regard for the

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON. Dec. 26 .- Reports that President Obregon of Mexico intends to retire from office shortly were received here today in private dispatches from San Antonio, Texas. These dispatches add that three

carloads of furniture and personal effects of Obregon passed through Laredo enroute to Nogales and his wife and children are expected to pass through Eagle Pass shortly on their way to Nogales,

CHR'STMAS TRUCE

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26 .-- The latest war of rebellion here abated in severity over the holidays while the capitol and country celebrated Christmas. Crowds in the carbarets were thick and firecrackers were being exploded

Government reports state that the rebels are being held in check on all

west are concerned, Wheeler said, the Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Allen have refarm ideas of Coolidge are archaic and turned to their home at Clovis, N. M. antideluvian, following a visit here with her parents Wheeler declared, shows that he does Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jones and his parnot understand the pressing need of

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26 .--- The

Thaw was committed to the asylum

Now Thaw is 53 years old and his

confinement is showing. His once

once famous Harry K. Thaw, slayer of

the farmers west of the Mississippi. "Something mut be done and done quickly. Out in my country we are avoring the formation of an exporting grain corporation. And the west is Spanding Sixth Christmas in listiwill send more men like Magnus tution Where Committed After Johnson to Congress until we get-ro-

Hef."

CHRISTMAS MARRIAGE

Firemen Called to Residence Dan Childress to Feed However Christmas began officially in Sweetwater with an alarm of fire some time "Quitest Christmas in Many Ways' before daylight Tuesday. The fire de

EARLY MORNING ALARM

MIDWEST AGAINS

Western Farmers Are Going to

Support McAdoo for President

As Being Archaic-Want Grain

Export Organization

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- West-

ern farmers, irrespective of party

lines are through with President

Coolidge and are strongly support-

ing McAdoo for president, Senator

Wheeler of Montana declared to-

day in a scathing attack on the

Administration and the farm relief

So far as the farmers in the middle

The President's message, Senator

By The United Press.

ideas of the president.

Is Way Local Officers Term Situation-Liquor is Scarce

RUSH IS NEARLY OVER

Peak of Christmas Mail and Passenger Travel Reached Saturday and Sunday-Still Rather Heavy

fireboys, which was much appreciated. "Quietest Christmas in years" report ed chief of Police Johnson late Tuesday after an uneventful day in official circles. Some gamblers paid off but the streets were nearly clear most of the day, in strong contrast to the crowds of the previous days. Those wont to celebrate by the invocation Senator Wheeler of Montana Says of King-Alcohol were strangely absent from the scene of events. Celebration of that character seemed to be done mostly by stealth. COOLIDGE IS ANTEDELUVIAN

With the exception of patrons of rural routes from Sweetwater, every Farm Policy of Administration Scored bit of mail was delivered patrons of the local office on time. A ruling from Washington prevented the usual trip of the R F D men and provided for the closing of the office at noon Christmas day.

Under the pressure of much "early mailing" publicity the peak of the Christmas mail seemed to flow through the local office Friday and Saturday of the past week, with a slight lessening of the load Monday and a very perceptible weakening of he flood Tuesday. By keeping the office open late Saturday night and Monday night and a portion of Sunday. the distribution kept up with the influx and no delays were in evidence locally, despite the fact that all local postal records were broken and probably those of the nation as well. It was very evident that careful planning and a lot of hard work into this record however.

Local theatres reported fairly good patronage of the various performances at the Palace, Lone Star and Queen and many children took advantage of the special free showing of Black Beauty at the Palace Tuesday morning

Although railroad travel continues eavy it is nothing like the Saturday night and Sunday morning flood. Of course all travelers who spent the holidays visiting somewhere will even tually have to come back, but with the liberal time limit on return, the travel will be scattered out more and thus more easily handled. Those figuring on making an over night trip anyservations early, however, until after the holidays at least.

By The United Press.

trace of the bandits has been found. CHICAGO HOLD-UP CHICAGO, Dec. 26 .- Two bandits to- as vigorously as the average Mexican

Two Cars in Ditch West of Toyah

jured According to Reports

Wednesday Morning-No One In-

registered and escaped in an auto.

point, reached Aug. 1, the gain was wreck in the Sahara Desert. 4.8 per cent. The figures for December was 54.2 per cent above the prewar yevel of Aug. 1, 1914. Chief responsibility for the rise in the index Few Families in Need of Christmas number lay with the textiles, and particularly with the textile raw materials Raw cotton led the advance, and there were advances also in raw wool, hemp Elk's Charity Committee and other or both as to groups and individual com modities showed wide irregularity.

(Continued On Back Page.)

Mrs. Margeret Weaver Tells Officers Her Story-Made Round of Resorts With Fox Before Killing

By The United Press

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 26 .- Mrs. Margaret Weaver, indicted as an accessory in the murder of W.S. Coburn, for which Phil E. Fox received a life sentence, may never be brought to trail. Mrs. Weaver has given officials a detailed statement of her activities previous to the murder of Coburn and Investigators for the state are checking up her staements, Solicitor Boykin said.

Mrs. Weaver was named several times during the trial of Fox as the woman who accompanied Fox on a tour of notorious resorts in Atlanta several hours before the killing. The revolver used by Fox was identified as the one given Fox by Mrs. Weaver.

WILL RETURN

Former Premier Venizlos to Resume Government of Greece

By The United Press.

Eleutherios Venizelos that he intended and enjoyed a refreshment course. to return to Greece.

The former Premier's hesitation was fostered by fears of his bride which were believed to have been ovrcome waite, other guests of Mr and Mrs. by 300 Greek Deputies.

Venizelos cabled that he did not de- San Angelo. sire a public reception and urged the Liberals to elect a definite leader as ship,

NOT MUCH DISTRESS

Charity Here This ear

A careful survey of the city by the

and jute. But still the price changes ganizations of the city co-operating to provide Christmas cheer to needy families found a surprisingly few fam ilies in need of aid.

There has been plenty of work all fall in the cotton fields, at the various building projects and elsewhere for all. And consequently there has been no poverty except in the case of widows with small children or sickness.

Another proof, it is pointed out, of the exceptional prosperity of this section.

ISSUE LICENSES

Marriage licenses issued by County Clerk Gus Farrar include the following: Brooks Browning and Miss Autie Davis and Guy Cave and Miss Inez Waggoner of Hylton.

Mrs. Fields of Kentucky has arrived to spend the winter with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fields in the west part of the city.

Mr and Mrs. Clifford Glass are holiday guests of friends and relatives at Weatherford.

Bennie and Jack Dodson have gone to Slaton to spend their Christmas va cation wit hthei rmother, Mrs. Henry Honaker.

5 BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Ben Jones entertained a party ATHENS, Dec. 26,-Celebrations of friends Monday in celebration of were in order throughout Greece to her birthday anniversary. They spent day following the announcement of the afternoon in pleasant conversation

> Mrs. D. E. Hamilton of Abilene is guest of her sister Mrs W. N. Crosthsons, Harvey and Monroe Foster of

he is not dispose dto assume leader. Monday to spend the holidays a: The whole party spent Christmas Day as a Christmas rememberance from Beall and Mrs. G. E. Ramsey for sev- burne with her aunt Mrs. Mary Moore Weatherford.

westbound Sunshine Special went into the ditch five miles west of Toyah this morning about 7 o'clock,

TOYAH, Dec. 26 .- Two cars of the

No one was injured according to reports reaching here. The locomotive and pullmans are reported to have staid on the rails.

A wrecking crew was immediately in 1917 as a lunatic. When the great sent for and it is not believed traffic iron gates at the institution closed bewill be delayed many hours.

several days

CLEARING YARDS

Sweetwater Yards Badly Congested With Loaded Freight Cars

ruddy comuplexion has changed to a It has been a long time since local vellow-white his shoulders are slowrailroad yards were so congested with iy being bent by age, the raven hair freight as was the case the first of is streaked with gray.

the week. Very nearly every inch of Thaw however has not lost his good husky rattlesnakes which had laughed side track in the T-P yards was in use nature and is always cheerful. He at chlorine and fairly revelled in phosby loaded freight cars. Following the dresses fashionably and keeps his ap gene, when those deadly gases were gradual subsiding of the Christmas pearance neat at all times, rush of mail, passenger and express Behind the high stone walls that cirbusiness, however, the congestion is cle the institution, Thaw takes daily

being cleared out. Solid train loads outdoor exercises. He has several of California fruit is being moved thru pets his special hobby being pigeons. on fast schedules however. It is be-He has raised a number of prize piglieved that Wednesday will mark the eons and has trained the birds to fly last day of the second section to No. to him whenever he approaches and sit on his head, shoulders and arms.

coal black.

Persistent rumors continue to circu-R. S. Andrews of the Andrews late that Thaw will soon seek his lib-Furniture Store left for Dallas this erty or ask for a court order for an morning on a business trip to be gone extended "vacation" so that he can make a European trip.

These reports, owever have been de-Mrs. J. W. Spiller has for her Christ nied by his attorney. It is explained mas guests, her father, W. M. Caruth- that the only way Thaw can ever be ers of Snyder, her brother William released permanently from Kirkbridg-Spiller and wife of Hamlin, Jim John- es is that a commission judge him son of Hamlin and her sisters Misses sane.

tate, then valued at about \$240,000 has

bonds. A trustee appointed by the

court, is in charge of the estate.

ARREST BOYS

Two boys spent the night in jail following their arrest by city authori

REMEMBER EMPLOYES

Employes of the Sweetwater Launtheir employer.

Stanford White and former husband of Willie Smallwood and Miss Etta Evelyn Neshit is spending his sixth Toomer of Snyder were married here Christmas as an inmate at Kirksbridge Christmas day by Justice I. W. Brash--better known as the Pennsylvania ear.

THREE CARS DERAILED

Three cars of an Orient freight were, hind Thaw shutting him off ffrom the derailed here Tuesday and the crew outside world, he was as straight as enjoyed a three hour session rerailing where are advised to make berth rean arrow cheerful and his hair was them.

POISON RATTLERS

After Phosgene Fails, Cyanogen Used With Deadly Effect

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 26 .- Two turned on them in the course of exper! ment conducted by the chemical warfare section of the United States Army, succumbed at Fort Sam Houston in less than five minutes to a dose of cyanogen. This gas was administered under pesonal direction of J. W. Van Meter, of Washington, D. C., its inventor.

The snakes had been subjected to tear gas without effect. Seeing a newspaper article describing the experiment, Mr, Van Meter, who had arrived in the city on his way to Browns ville for a hanting trip, immediately got into connection with Major George H. Halloran chemical warfare officer of the Eighth Corps Area, and offered his services.

The two rattlers were placed in a one cannob or fieldplece captured by Since Thaw was committed his es glass case and subjected to the action the American Expeditionary Forces or of the cyanogen gas. Within five min delivered to the United States by the increased in value and the principal utes jaw muscles of the two had set terms of the armistice or treaty of Mrs. S. W. Browning and little daugh now is said to amount to more than and save for spasmodic contractions peace.

> Cyanogen, is now being used in Aus is being used to rid the streams of the niece. thick growth of water hyacinths which

have threatened altogether to close navigation in some of them. Now it ha sproved that it is more deadly than the dread Texas rattler.

Misses Wanda and Wilda Dragoo of eral days



Nolan County May be Awarded Captur ed Field Piece if Blanton Bill is Passed by Congress

A German cannon will be awarded Nolan County from the captured field pleces in stock in the War Department if a bill introduced in Congress by Representative Thos. L. Blanton of this district is passed.

The bill was introduced before the holidays and was referred to the Com mittee on Military affairs, The bill read:

"Authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to donate to the county of Nolan, in the State of Texas, one German cannon or fieldpiece.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to donate and deliver to the county of Nolan in the Stae of Texas,

Mr. and Mrs. George Parker have as tralia for the extermination of rabbits their guests Mr, and Mrs. John Keagwhich are so numerous as to be a pest. on of Markel and Mr. and Mrs. Garl It is proving successful in removing Bowen of Clyde. Mrs. Keagan is Mrs. barnacles from the hull of ships. It Parker's sister and Mrs, Bowen her

> Mrs. J. J. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Dewey Smith of Winters are guests of her sister, Mrs. J. D. Williams and fam ily.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Blackwell and Eastland will be guests of Mrs. W. W. son spent Christmas at Fort Chadand other relatives.

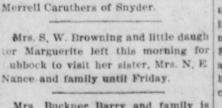
er Marguerite left this morning for \$1,000,000. Most of his investments the end had come. ubbock to visit her sister, Mrs. N. E are in Standard Oil stock and liberty Nance and family until Friday. Mrs. Buckner Barry and family is

Nettie, Stella and Connie and brother

here for the holidays guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bunton on E. N. 3rd St.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brannon and ties on a charge of petty theft. by an urgent cabled invitation signed Crosthwaite's are W. E. Foster and daughter Miss Margurite of New Mexico will return home tonight after spending Christmas with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brannon and his Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Woolridge left sister, Mrs. M. V Wharton of Roscoe dry received a large box of groceries

at Roscoe



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REPORTER SWEETWATER

Published each afternoon and Sun-Treasurer. Entered as second sclass lic is going to say about it. mail matter at the postoffice at Sweetwater, Texas.

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AN OPENING FOR ROYALTY

Another Glucksburg is on the trek King George has been invited to leave Greece and much against his will he has accepted the invitation. The grand idea seems to be that he should be out of the country while the Greek parliament is deciding what is to be done with George's throne.

From the bill of particulars presented the trouble seems to be the Greeks do not know the war is over. George is blamed because he is the son of Con staine and Constantine is blamed because he is a Glucksburg, and as such Glucksburg and German sympathizer he did not get Greece into the war soon enough.

This is a new and refreshing viewpoint as most nations have now decid ed that they got into it all too soon. However, one suspects that all this is only a pretext. Economically and there fore financially Greece is in a bad way and under such conditions it is but natural that unrest should be general,

At such times people have almost always failed to appreciate the real cause of their unhappiness and have blamed it upon their form of govern- ly worth while. ment. If the government is a monarchy the natural impulse is to want

The point we make is that we have lightened head of the Mexican gov- ceive. day morning, except Saturday and its a place here for any man who has erament in his present troubles, and Do these facts concverning the Weekly edition on Thursday by The sense enough to be tired of the king to wish that he may yet save his coun threat to the child life of the world dance with which Miss Rue Trammell Sweetwater Reporter, Inc. Houston business and who wants to raise chick try from another reign of Mederos and stir any thing within you? Harte President; Minor Shutt, Vice- ens, babies on his own hook without Villas for indeed it will matter little President; Willie Rowan, Secretary any thought of what a pig headed pub whether a dreamer or a bandit succeeds him. Perhaps the bandit would

there for the past few years.

UNHAPPY MEXICO

her utter incapacity for self govern- ignorant Mexicans will eventually, toys ,think how many little hears are ment. A statement of the facts is all through much tribulation fit them- gladdened by the bountiful supply of that is necessary to illustrate this. After years of anarchy and largely will attain when they are fit for it. through exhaustion it was possible for

future.

CHRISTMAS

(By Mary Frances Rhinehardt)

sane liberal, and went into office with Christmas takes us back to the long the intention of working out comprelong ago.

In time of course the problem will

hensive reforms. Under his able guid-On Judah's hills, in the little town ance things have been going well down of Bethlehem, angels came from the heavenly choir to sing on that first heeding the call of the little ones. "For On the face of the situation it looks Christmas morning.

A bright star shining from the heav. the least of these my brethren, ye did Cards of thanks, resolutions of respect can presidential election. Obregon ens. guided wise men from the East to it unto me." and de la Huerta ,the valorous gentle- where the Christ child lay, cuddled

man who is leading the revolution. in a manger. When the wise men have been close friends. In fact de la saw the young babe they rejoiced with Huerta has been until recently, secre exceeding great joy, opened their tras tary of the treasury. Whether he reures and presented unto him gifts, gold signed or was kicked out is not clear and frankincense and myrrh.

Anyway General Calles, who took his And so it is today. We give gifts place, soon reported the treasury em- at Christmas time.

pty and the implication was that de la And today as we sit around our own Huerta had emptied it. Be that as it firesides and talk and plan of the joys may the soft impeachment so fired the in store for our Christmas season. valorous blood of the former treas- "We pray thee, our father in heaven urer that he put a chip on his should- help us to renew within us that Christ

er and went out looking for trouble. spirit" the spirit that was made mani-As Calles happened to be a candi- fest on that memorable Christmasdate to succed Obregon Huerta seems long ago.

to have had no trouble in convincing It has been estimated that \$100,000, nough people to start a revolution, 000 will be spent for toys in the Unitthat Calles had been picked by Obre- ed States during this Christmas seasgon to succeed him. This kind of on. There was a time when one had thing, which attracts no attention here merely to choose between a rattle and is one of the most valid justifications a teething ring when looking for a for the seven hundred and ninety-three gift for a young baby. But now-well, perfectly good causes for revolution in the Toy Fair held annually in New Mexico. However, that it was not the York spreads over eight floors of two real cause will immediately appear. of the city's largest hotels and visi-President Obregon who is really tors are fairly dazed over the endless

more of a statesman than he is a poli variety of articles. designed, manucian, in order to take away all cause factured and sold for the sole amuse of trouble, induced General Calles to mentor amazement rather, of modern withdraw from the presidential race, babies. Dolls must do more than He hoped that course would settle the merely shut their eyes, and squeak a trouble, and he lost valuable time by little under pressure if they are to

entertaining any such hope. The vast satisfy the small girl of today. They majority of the densely ignorant Mexi- must walk and talk and sing and cans are always ready for a revolution. dance. And as for the boys, the rac-In fact, after a game of three card ers and the roadsters-bless you, monte, or a cock fight, it is the best must be replicas of dad's and must sport on the calendar. The vast ma- ever bear the same expensive name jority of these ignoramuses are too plate.

proud to work and too lazy to steal but But when do the glittering toys revolution, ah! that is something real- come from Who makes them and un der what condition is te work done

Consequently hordes of them are Sad but true, in this Christian counnow parading around in what they call try we are over 1,000,000 children of least untender age working and some of them here under the most shocking conditions. H. G. Wells visiting America, de-

We would like to have him over here gest. It is impossible if one knows the and pestilence, the horrors of which facts, not to sympathize with the en- we here in America ca harly con mas entertainments was the Dinner

DINNER DANCE

Christmas colors and bells in a most

artistic decorative scheme. Tables

er form a omusement to dancing.

were placed for bunco, forty-two and

The dance music was furnished by a

At twelve o'clock a most delightful

turkey dinner was served to over fifty

guests. Christmas cards and sprays

FAMILY REUNION

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Farris held a

Christmas reunion of their children

and families at their home on W. N.

A turkey dinner was served to the

following: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Farris

and three children; Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Charlie Farri sand baby of Colo-

rado. Her sister Mrs. G A. Kent and

the following friends: Mr. and Mrs.

S M Hallmark of Loraine; Miss Lilli-

an Tverett of Canton; Mr and Mrs.

L. S. Hyer, Mrs. J. D Falkner Misses

Linnie, Inez and J D. Falkner, Jr

of holly were gives as guest favors.

Victrola program of the newest hits of

from 8 to 12 o'clock.

the season.

2nd St.

The way to help is easy. The best way in which to reach the suffering children of other lands is give better results for the immediate through the great relief organizations.

In our own cities, on Christmas day when the giant Christmas tree looms Once more Mexico is demonstrating solve itself, for even a nation of vastly up with its bright lights and glittering bridge for those who chose the quiet selves for self-government, which they sweets and presents so generously dis tributed among those less fortunate than ourselves.

> Is it all worth while? Yes, and America is so generous Then let us spend our millions for

toys if we wish to. Let us give all the joy and get all the joy we can from this Christmas season.

But may we not also celebrate by in as much as ve did it unto one of

HOPE FOR PRESIDENTS

Die in Office Only at 20 Year Intervals St. Louis Man Says

By The United Press.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26 .- Potential presidential candidates for the 1924 elections will have something to be thankful for even if they fail to be elected.

Every president who has been elected at an interval of twenty years has died in office according to Adolph Boldt, of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, a visitor in Fort Worth during the recent Hotel Keeper's convention.

"Every president since 1840 who was elected at a 20 year interval, that is 1840, 1860, 1880 and so on until 1920 has died in office." Boldt said.

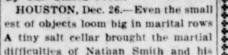
"President Harrison ,elected in 1840, died a few months after taking office: Lincolin who became president in 1860 was shot in office: Garfield elected in 1880 was shot during his first year as president; McKinley who went to the White House in 1900 was assassinated; and President Harding died in the second year of his term," according

to Boldt. "It is also interesting to note that no president except those who took office at the twenty year periods have

died in office," he said.

THREW SALT AT HIM

By The United Press.



Maurice Smith, student at Abilene Christian College, is spending the holi-One of the most enjoyable pre-Christ days at home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J Arrington of Big honored her friends of the Senior and Spring are Christmas guests of her par Junior Classes, Thursday evening ents Mr and Mrs. J. J. Waggoner and family. The home was attractive in gay



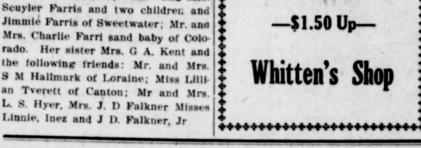
There is nothing in the way of sheet metal work and tin smithing that I cannot do and do it to your entire satisfaction, too. I make as well as repair skylights,

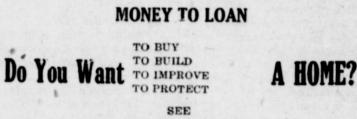
cornices, gutters, teaders, ridgerolls etc.

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If Santa Failed

You

same old lesson anew for themselves. Consequently the land where "burning Sappho loved and sung" is now engaged with the age old problem performed every day by the healthy kitten in chasing its tail.

luminous across the screen. Whether trymen were wholly incapable of self. the Greeks set up a glorious republic and establish the American system of government by rough neck political bosses, or does something else equally futile, the Glucksburgs are on the toboggan. The king business is as un popular in Greece as elsewhere and even if they get something else worse it is a safe bet that the junk dealer is going to get a chance to pick up a throne at a rare bargain. The divinity that doth hedge a king has not enough substance in Europe at this gladsome season of peace on earth and was maintained. good will towards all men-except throne warmers-to make a dish of thin Christmas soup.

Consequently where George, who is going to spend Christmas with papa-inlaw, over in Rumania, to ask our ad vice about his future, would be to go west and grow up with the country If Greece's three per cent has not been have reigned. The dreamers made filled in we would be glad to have him come here. He would have the time are fitted for democracy, and all that of his life. The young chap seems to is necessary is a paper constitution be a real man and as such he no doub! has the same disgust with the govrn ing bunk that every other real man who can make a living at something else feels for all kinds of political jobs.

The Prince of Wales is another real man who has seen through the shams and frauds of what we call government ,and since he has told the world to take its greatest crown and throne and go to Mexico with them, our respect and admiration for the young Britisher is just about 100 per cent,

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a republic. If it is a republic the demand is for a new president. It is derstanding what they are fighting seldom that true causes are seen. That for. Thus is being destroyed the great They are scattered from the tenements only comes through trial, time and work of Obregon has been doing. of New York to the canneries of the tribulation. History teaches man and Where it will end no one can tell. In gulf coast states, nations nothing. Each must learn the fact the Mexican hoodlums who are continuous performance. There has been but one man in the last half of a century who understood

General Diaz was that man. He start But one sign is written large and ed with the assumption that his coungovernment. In that he was right, He was a constitutional president in name only. In fact he was an autocrat, but one who mixed some benevolence with a great deal of wisdom. His idea of a chief executive was not ours, but he got results. His country grew in wealth and prosperity. Education slowly expanded. Agriculture became 3n occupation. The credit of the country was firmly established on a sound basis and as much law and order as is perhaps possible in in Mexico

The thirty years that he ruled Mex-

ico was the time that it made all its substantial progress in modern civilization. When his hand grew weak and feeble through age, the dreamers overthrew him. Since then, except for the brief period that Obregon has been in power civil war and anarchy the age-old mistake that any people full of high sounding phrases. Indeed the trouble with Obregon seems to be that he has given his coun try more democracy than it can di-

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putting on the show want it to be a clared that the annals of the industrial revolution in England had no worse pages than those of our country and

Mexicans and how to rule them. Old as our greatest shame, that child labor ranked with lynching Of the millions of children of the

toy age, how many will be without toys and without joys of any kind at Christmas time

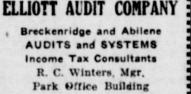
And what of the millions of little ones in the famine-swept, war-seared areas of Europe who are daily dying for the want of toys? No. for want of bread.

Such is the dreary picture of the need of our own little children here in America. But even more heart-break ing is the plight of millions of help less babies on the other side of the **5.....** world, survivors of war and famine

wife, Daisy Little Smith, into court

In his suit for divorce Smith alleged that Mrs. Smith threw a salt cellar at im in addition to doing various other things that made his desirous of again enjoying single blessedness.

Mr and Mrs C R Simmons visited her sister Mrs. C. W. Clark and other relatives at Abilene Christmas Day.



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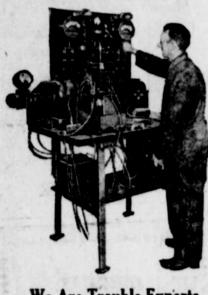
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But "Oil" is Crude Mixture Vaseline, Soap and Lubricating Oil in Large Tank Buried in Ground

By The United Press.

LONDON, Dec. 26-Texas has her Dr. Cook. Australia has his type.

Wild excitement prevailed at South ern Cross, West Australia, for many weeks. An independent operator had discovered oil on the edge of Lake Eva-and had samples to prove it. But the independent operator was

Australia after the war and had sent him plans. The government became interested

and sent an analyst to examine the wonderful find. His test revealed a rather crude mixture of vaseline, soap and lubricating oil.

Then detectives became interested. They visited the "well" and found near the supposed discovery a large hole in which was a hundred-gallon tank containing 80 gallons of alleged oil, from which pipes led 46 feet in the "oil

well.' Then they looked for the independent operator. He however, had fled.

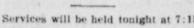
BROWN-DAVIS WEDDING

A wedding of deep interest to a Browning and Miss Audie Davis were sonage, Rev. J. R. Henson performing te ceremony.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs Henry Davis and a few close friends were the only witnesses. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for Fort

Worth where the bridegroom had pre-Poiret twill.

Both the bride and bridegroom have grown up in Sweetwater and were popular members of the younger soical set, and both are graduates of the --- 116 Locust St. local high school.



at the Church of God by Rev. T. H. McNeil of Cisco Everybody is cordial ly invited to come and bring their friends.

SERVICES TONIGHT

JOINT SERVICE

Church of God And Lamar St Baptist Have Christmas

Joint Christmas exercises were held by the Lamar Street Baptist and the Church of God last night. Services were conducted at the Church of God modest in his claims. He admitted on the South Side of which Rev. W. that the original discoverer was a Ger S. Hancock is pastor. Rev Phil Litman who was unable to return to the of Lamar St. Baptist church was also present.

Rev T. H. McNeil of Cisco delivered a most impressive opening address followed with a prayer by the pastor A lovely program was rendered by the children of the two Sunday schools Miss Mona Johnson of Lamar St. Church superintending the Baptist part of the program. While the child ren of the Church of God were most ably led by Mrs. Ada Newby of that church. A Christmas tree loaded to its utmost capacity was an added attraction, especially for the children and Santa was there with free gifts for every body.

CARD OF THANKS

To those who so graciously gave their services and sympathy during the last illness and passing away of large circle of friends and relatives our dear mother and for the beautitook place Christmas Eve when Brooks ful floral offerings, we extend our sincere thanks and appreciation. May

> Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rogers. Mrs. C. E. Hazel.

H. O Bradley

Mrs. J. D. Falkner and two daugh ters, Misses Minnie and Inez left this pared a home for his bride. The morning for Colorado to spend the re bride wore a beautiful suit of blue mainder of the holidays guests of her son B. A. Falkner and wife.

> Dr. and Mrs. P. Pool and Mr. and Mrs Tom Farris spent the afternoon o Christmas Day shooting birds on the Porter ranch with a party of friends.



Disappear Each Year

By The United Press. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 26 .- Wo-

men and young girls disappeared in large numbers in Los Angeles during the year just ended according to the statement of Mrs. Georgia Robinson, of the juvenile board and for many years a policewoman in the city. Over 5.000 girls and women, from all class

es of homes rich and poor are still on the books as missing during 1923. Probably a number of them have returned and have not had the police notified, but Mrs. Robinson believes the majority are still missing. The daily disappearance of women

and girls is one of the greatest prob lems confronting the police departments, secret service workers, juvenile bureaus and all those who are near and dear to them according to Mrs. Robinson.

She attributes their disappearance to dissatisfaction, "Dissatisfaction in all its phases leads," she says "to women husband cannot afford to provide; a that tht ios sin

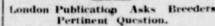
in their own little sphere. It is a men acing dissatisfaction so often leads people out into the world in an endeavor to find happiness or to get away from don Livestock Journal. some unexciting, unhappy conditions at home.

"The general spirit of the present innate something urges them to indi

vidual expression. "There is something in the air which tells them if we do not like our conditions, we can change them, and it is this frequently wrong use of this freedom that takes them into greater trouble. But the majority of girls who disappear are the pitiful ones who are known as delinquents. Most of them do not know better and this is the na-

tion's greatest problem among youths." "There is only one solution to the problem" Mrs. Robinson concluded. 'More understanding parents, greater opportunity and freedom in the home surroundings and deeper love in the home circle."

WHY LET FEED GO INTO HORN?



The breeders of horned cattle and arned sheep sustain loss more exten ive than they may conceive, for 1 s not the horns alone, but also much



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especially in that part where the horns usually grow.

To those who have not reflected on the subject, it may appear of little consequence whether sheep and and girl leaving home-an overwhelm- cattle have horns; but, on a very moding desire to have what a parent or erate calculation, it would be found farming stockyearning to get out into the world mal food, is very considerable from alone to see life from its many other the production of horns and then angles, which cannot be experienced appendages A mode of breeding which would prevent'the production of these would afford a considerable profit in an increase of meat and wool and other valuable parts .--- Lon-

The L O. V. E. Club of High School girls will hold their meeting Thursday age-freedom of life-causes boys and afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. B girls alike to feel that they are not Crenshaw at 1012 Elm St. with Miss afraid out in the world alone, and an Inez Crenshaw and Betty Cutbirth as bastess.

> Mrs. Myrt Taylor and two children of Colorado spent Christmas Day guests of her mother, Mrs. T. E. Baldwin an dsister, Miss Louise Baldwin.

> Mrs. Lige Cutbirth is expecting he brother Capt. R. G. Fry and Mr and Mrs. K C Fry of Abilene to reach the city late thi safternoon to spend several days with her.



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Black-Draught Found Valuable by a Texas Farmer, Who Has Known Its Usefulness Over 30 Years.

Naples, Texas.—"I have used Thed-ford's Black-Draught for years—I cam safely say for more than 30 years," de-clares Mr. H. H. Cromer, a substantial, well-known farmer, residing out from

here on Route 3. "I am 43 years old, and wnen a small boy I had indigestion and was puny and my folks gave me a liver regulator. Then Black-Draught was advertised and we heard of it.

"I began to take Black-Draught, and have used it, when needed, ever since. I use Black-Draught now in my home, and certainly recommend it for any liver

trouble. "I have given it a thorough trial, and after thirty years can say Black-Draught is my stand-by. It has saved me many sick spells."

sick spells." Mr. Cromer writes that he is "never out of Black-Draught," and says several of his neighbors prefer it to any other liver medicine. "I always recommend Black-Draught to my friends," he adds. This valuable, old, powdered liver medicine is prepared from medicinal roots and herbs, and has none of the bad finets so often observed from the use of effects so often observed from the use of

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CATTLE TRAILS VANISHING

Only In Places Are These Lost Paths of Crude Commerce Distinguish-able—Five Of These Old Trains Stand Out Historically From the Rest.

AUSTIN, Dec. 26 .- Ancient cattle holm was the Old Shawnee trail. Thi trails, over whose stow and torti- led to Baxter Springs, Kansas. This town was then the terminus Stiles to Big Lake, which is reported ous way the hoofed wealth of early Texas went to market, are dim now, of the Fort Scott and Gulf Railroad, to have developed irregularities, and yet here and there they are found by and was located in the southeastthe builders of the State's modern ern corner of Kansas. The trail left called early in the new year. highways, who discover their own Red River near Snivel's Bend, a-paved roads are following in some bout 40 miles east of the start of Mr. Pickrell expects to obtain places these lost paths of a crude the Chisholm Trail, and ran nearly Fort Worth Saturday definite figparallel with its rival for almost ures upon what the motor cars will commerce. Five of the old traits stand out 100 miles. There was a connecting cost, after which the towns along the prosperous for the railroads as that historically from all the remainder. In Spring but a little furth- Orient will have something definite closing. Among the reasons for such a They came into use shortly after the er up the Shawnee bore northeast year 1867. Cattle thieves, poor grass and on to Baxter Springs. along the way and other obstacles Between the two main trails was had cut deeply into the profits of the West Shawnee Trail. Leaving the cattle owners and drovers, so its name sake near the Canadian they began to look about for some River it went nearly due north and other way to get their product to east to Junction City, 25 miles west of Abilene. market. Then came Joseph G. McCoy, a cat-Goodnight Trail in West. tle man from Illinois, to whom is The Goodnight trail leads from given most of the credit for origin-West Texas to New Mexico, Arizona ating what were known as the Texand Colorado. The cattie on this as and Kansas cattle trails. were not seeking market but pastur-McCoy Originates Trail. age, and were assembled at Fort Concho, from where they went up the MeCoy conceived the idea of find-Ang a shipping point for cattle as far | Concho River to its flead. There were west as possible so as to cut down two offshoots of the Goodnight the overland transporation to a min-imum. This point was Abilene, Kan., principal trail followed the Pecos imum. This point was Abilene, Kan., and to this town he induced the Un- nearly to the 35th parallel, then ion Pacific railroad to extend a crossed the divide, ran up the Canadian River to twenty miles above La branch line in 1867. The five principal trails were the Centa, and entered Colorado through Chisholm, the Old Shawnee, the West | the Trinchera Pass. There was a trail or rather a Shawnee, the Goodnight and the Southern. The most famous of the five was the Chisholm. This was named for John Chisholm because it seems that when he first-drove a herd over it. men who traversed the ground. He rode ahead, picking what appear. The eastern position of the trail ed to be the best route. The Chis-y can be located by the course taken holm was the most direct, had more by a single herd in 1871. This herd prairies, better grass fewer flies started from Lockhart in Colorade and fewer Indians than any other County, Texas, and went by Austin route extending from Red River to Georgetown, Hillsboro, Fort Worth the southern line of Kansas. The trail and on through the Territory to Abiancluding its southern extension, was |lene. Kansas. At Doans store in Wil increating it is sold miles long. As time barger county it divided, one branch went on it became beaten down be going northeast, uniting with the low the surrounding country. It Chischolm trail, the other branch was from 20 to 400 yards in width. passing northwest into Beaver County, which is now in Oklahoma, thence Shawnee Trail Famous, Dividing honors with the Chis- westward to the Colorado ranges.

The following announce their candidacy for the various offices named be-

low, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For Tax Collector: J. W. BUTLER,

MISS WILLIE ELLIOTT Re-election

Railroad Will Install One Car of Angelo-Stockton Run If Citizens **Buy Another.**

PICKRELL GETTING FIGURES.

Big Lake Agrees to Share Its Part: Wants County Seat; Santa Rita Flow Gains.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Dec. 26 .-The early inauguration of motor passenger service on the **Orient Railroad between San** Angelo and Fort Stockton, providing a fast schedule to and from the rapidly developing oil field around Big Lake, is pre able, according to Frank T. Pickrell, vice president of the newly formed Big Lake Oil Company and vice president and general manager of the Texon Oil and Land Company.

En route to Fort Worth, where he will confer Saturday with E. H. Shaufler of Wichita, Kan., general manager of the Orient, and Levi Smith of Pittsburgh, Pa., president of the Big Lake Oil Company, relative to the proposed service, Mr. Pickrell submitted the tentative plan here Friday to the Board of City Development. This briefly, is that the Orient will put on a motor car besufficient money to purchase another The Orient will operate the cars and maintain dependable service, and will add equipment if need-

The plan was outlined at Kansas City about two weeks ago when standing feature. It was an evidence Mr. Pickrell conferred with General Manager Shaufler of the Orient, Mr. Pickrell submitted it to Big Lake citizens Wednesday night and they agreed to voluntarily levy an assessment against every citizen and business house to raise Big Lake's share. At the same time the Big Lake people signed a petition to set aside the results of a recent election to change the Reagan county seat from to request that another election be Santa Rita Production Increasing.

half-mile south of the discovery well, and some of the material is on he ground for No. 5 Santa Rita on section 13, block 2, about 1 1-2 miles northeast of No. 1. The Big Lake Oil Company will drill two other wells: one on section 34, block 1, about a half-mile southwest of the No. 1, and the other in section 3, block 2, a half-mile a little south of west of the producer. Under the contract whereby the Big Lake Oi! Company secured a lease on sixteen sections of University land from the Texon Oil and Land Company, the Big Lake Oil Company took over the producing well and the two offsets now drilling and signed to put down four other wells. The Texon Oil and Land Company retains forty. eight sections and a producer at any of the new wells will give the Big Lake Oil Company and the Texon Oil and Land Company a joint lease for ten years on all the property, the Big Lake Oil and Land Company being limited, however, to the sixteen sections

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Other Wells Going Down. The Transcontinental Oil Company another company controlled by the Benedum & Trees interests, as is the Big Lake Oil Company, has made a deal with the Ohio Oil Company for the Mid-Kansas Oil and Gas Company to drill on three separate tracts on a 50-50 basis.

> GOOD BUSINESS (Continued from first page)

For a long time the business world had been a bit on edge as regards the new session of Congress. There was a bit of fear as to the behavior and accomplishments of the so-called radical blocs. But the opening days of the Congress convinced the financial community that on anything of a controversial nature the worst that could be expected was a deadlock. This feeling of relief was fortified considerably by President Coolidge's address to Congress-a constructive message the bus iness world pronounced it-and Secre tary of the Treasury Mellon's program for tax reduction. The constructive ton if the citizens of these two towns influence of the latter may be expectand intermediate points will raise ed to carry considerably forward into the new year.

Railroad Recovery The recovery of the majority of the railroad systems, as evidenced by their good earnings for the year, was an out of the merits of private management. but it might be said in passing that the financial community is practically con vinced that the question of the consolidation of railroads is already settled-and that it will be consolidation. Despite the fact that a few railroad executives were in doubt concerning certain passages in the message of President Coolidge. The message, in the opinion of some in railroad and fin-ancial circles, did much to clear up the railroad situation for 1924. Indeed, y of the railroad executives pre-

State.

CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

One of the numerous, Christmas Dinner parties in the city Puesday was Persons Saving Advs. From Sweet the one given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Robertson.

The home was decorated with a Christmas tree and wreaths of holly and Christmas colors, with the dining for turning in the most copies of adtable centered with a bank of fruit vertisements in the Sweetwater Re and holly.

Places were found for Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Browning, Mr and Mrs. Robert Withers, Mrs L. C Vinson, Misses Calvert, Second; Mrs W S Hendrix, Marguerite and Mable Browning, Stuart Browning, Mr and Mrs. F. G. Rob- Oscar Pate, fifth; Mrs. W. S. Cundiff, ertson, Frank, Laclaire Jack and Juli- sixth; Mrs Ira Fullen, seventh; Tull an Robertson.

Following dinner several hours were Mrs. J. P Trammell, tenth. were Mr. and Mrs. Robertson's guests for the most copies of his advertise at a Theatre party to see St. Timo.

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water Reporter Get Prizes The following were awarded prizes

AWARD PRIZES

porter to J. I. Payne, as announced in the Reporter some weeks ago:

Mrs. S. B. Bullard, first; Mrs. W C. third; Mrs. John Holt, fourth; Mrs. Rea eighth; Mrs. W. R. Hope, ninth;

spent playing forty-two at four they Mr. Payne announces a cash award ments saved up to Feb. 1.

BUILD A HOME

to work upon. Motor passenger condition the one most prominently ad service to the new oil field will be of great advantage to San Angelo, which according, will be depended upon to contribute to the project.

Santa Rita No. 1, the discovery well in the Reagan County field, is now pumping an aver-age of 173 barrels every twentyfour hours, said Mr. Pickrell. This is a gain from 146 barrels officially reported about six weeks or two months ago. The tubing at the well parted a few days ago and during the two days that were required for repairs the well continued to flow. No. 2 Santa Rita is still fishing around 2,750 feet. The underreaming of 8 1-4 inch casing to 2,619 feet in No. 3 Santa Ritz was completed Thursday morning. The hole is 2,626 feet deep. It will be carried on down and the last water will be shut off with 6 5-8-inch pipe. The derrick is up for No. 4 Santa

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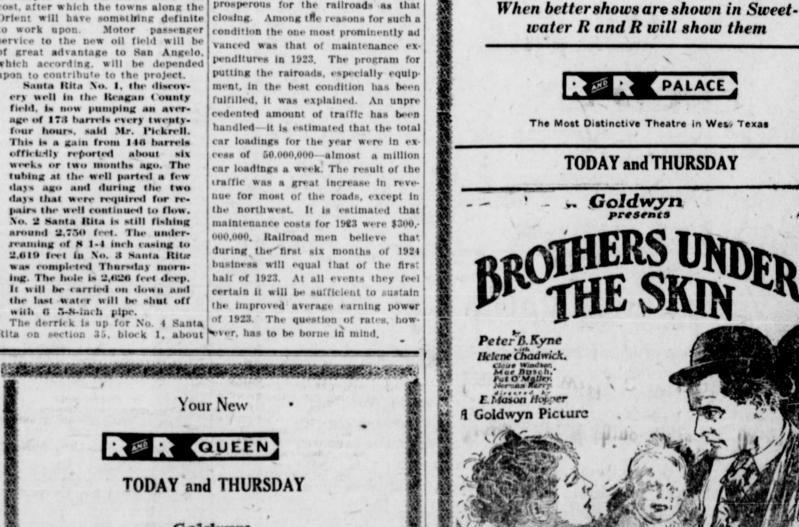
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dicted, that the new year would be as vanced was that of maintenance expenditures in 1923. The program for putting the rairoads, especially equipment, in the best condition has been fulfilled, it was explained. An unpre cedented amount of traffic has been handled-it is estimated that the total car loadings for the year were in excess of 50.000,000-almost a million car loadings a week. The result of the traffic was a great increase in revenue for most of the roads, except in the northwest. It is estimated that maintenance costs for 1923 were \$300.-000,000. Railroad men believe that during the first six months of 1924 business will equal that of the first half of 1923. At all events they feel certain it will be sufficient to sustain the improved average earning power of 1923. The question of rates, how-



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