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THE WEATHER

Weather conditions in Wichita Falls for the past 24 hours as reported by the observation bureau of the Wichita Falls Electric company were as follows: Maximum 49, minimum 24, 5 p. m. 46; precipitation .0; east breeze; average wind velocity 7 miles per hour, maximum wind velocity 11 miles per hour; clear; barometer 29.00.

763 MILLIONS FOR MAIL SERVICE

SCIENTISTS HIT BRYAN HARD IN BIBLE DISPUTES

Ohio Professor Renews Old Assault on Commoner's Evolution Theories

SAYS APES THINK

Another Savant Credits Big Monks With Ability to Reason Things Out

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Advances in psychology, medicine, biology, chemistry and physics were disclosed in hundreds of papers read today before the fifteen sections of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the seventy-ninth annual meeting of which is now in full swing.

Thirty-one hundred members were registered during the day and a flurry of interst was caused by a report that William J. Bryan would arrive in time to listen to a criticism of his views on evolution, but he failed to appear.

Raps W. J. B.

The largest audience of any sectional meeting thus far held attended that addressed by Dr. Edward L. Rice, professor of zoology at Ohio Wesleyan university, a Methodist institution. Choosing "Darwin and Bryan" as his text, Dr. Rice in a paper characterized the views of Mr. Bryan on evolution as "dogmatic" and "dangerous to religion," and urged more unprejudiced co-operation in scientific and religious study.

Mr. Bryan's arguments, he said, were deduced "from the assumption of the literal accuracy of the Bible in general and of the first two chapters of Genesis in particular."

This assumption was "not" biblical, nor was it "accepted by leading Bible scholars of today." Darwin's work on the contrary was represented as having been based upon a hypothesis "followed by the most complete verification and leading to a degree of probability amounting to practical certainty."

Apes Think.

Chimpanzees not only appear to think, but do think, Dr. Robert M. Yerkes of the psychological institute of Yale university declared in a paper read before the psychological section. He based his conclusions on studies made of two young chimpanzee which he said knew how to study a problem presented to them in a way essentially like that of man and quite unlike that of any other animal.

Dr. Yerkes said one of the characteristics of the solving of problems by a chimpanzee was that the solution seemed often to come suddenly to them after a period of quiet reflection. In reply to a question, he said it was possible that chimpanzees might be taught to read and write, or at least to use some sort of symbols.

MORE RATE PROTESTS.

Sub-committee Listens to Complaints on Postal Raise.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Protests from business, publishing and other national organizations against the proposed increase in postal rates were made before the joint congressional sub-committee today as it practically concluded hearings on the administration bill providing for increased rates to meet the cost of proposed postal salaries advancement.

Chairman Moses announced tonight the hearing would be finished tomorrow morning and that the senate subcommittee would be asked immediately to consider the bill.

MA IS EMANCIPATED.

All Legal Disabilities Removed by Court.

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 30.—(INS)—Ma Ferguson, governor-elect of Texas, today stands "emancipated" with all strings of domestic legal complications severed. Her petition in district court here asking that all obstacles preventing the execution of contracts during her reign as governor be removed, was granted by Judge Lewis H. Jones, who added that he would like to place in the court records complete exoneration from impeachment disabilities.

Ma's petition was requested under the Texas law that prohibits married women from entering legal contracts.

CHINESE WANT HELP

Fear of Looters Results in Call For Protection.

MANILA, Dec. 30.—Chinese residents today telegraphed for assistance, saying looting was feared. A detachment of constabulary was ordered on guard. Looting of Chinese merchants has resulted in several sections as a result of agitation by a Filipino secret society.

APPROVE SHIP SALE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The shipping board today approved the sale to a company being organized in San Francisco and represented by Mayor Rolph of that city of nine cargo ships to be operated between the Pacific coast and Australia and the east coast of South America.

THE WEATHER

OKLAHOMA: Wednesday probably rain or snow, colder; Thursday unsettled.

EAST TEXAS: Wednesday and Thursday, probably rain in south, rain or snow in north portion, colder in north portion Wednesday; colder Thursday.

WEST TEXAS: Wednesday and Thursday partly cloudy to cloudy; probably snow in the Panhandle; colder in north portion Wednesday; colder Thursday.

Texas Judge Ask Drastic Reform In Law

Dan Ruins Class Work At Quanah

QUANAH, Dec. 30.—Dan Cupid demoralized the Quanah high school teaching staff during the Yuletide season when three of the teachers were married.

Miss Wilmae Selman, instructor of writing and drawing in the Junior high, married Roy Gough, a senior in the Agricultural and Mechanical college.

Miss Cleo Motes, mathematics instructor, married Prof. R. N. Sandlin, now teaching in the Texarkana schools. They were married in Abilene and will make their home in Texarkana.

Miss Lucille Fonville, teaching music, married Douglas Wilson, son of Dr. J. H. Wilson, Quanah postmaster. Mr. Wilson is connected with the Cameron Lumber company at Quanah and they will make their home here.

The instructor in Spanish and Latin, Miss Maureen Daniels, resigned during the week.

BANDITS KILL TRAIN CLERK

C. and N. W. Passenger Is Held Up as It Nears Chicago

CHICAGO, Dec. 30. — Russell Dickey, 23, Elroy, Wis., an express messenger, guarding shipments of money and jewelry on "The Viking," fast passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, was shot and killed tonight in an attempted holdup as the train left Highland Park, Ills., a suburb of Chicago.

The robber, who is believed to have been aided by at least two confederates leaped from the passenger train as it pulled into Winnetka, another suburb, subdued a taxi driver with his pistol and forced the man to drive him to Evanston where he left the taxi and climbed into another automobile apparently waiting for him and disappeared.

American Express company officials tonight were checking the contents of the express car with a view to determining whether the attempted holdup was successful.

WEATHER NORMAL AGAIN

Warmer Days Ahead For Wichita Falls, is Belief Here Now.

It was "back to normalcy" with the Wichita Falls weather folk again Tuesday.

Slowly but consistently rising temperatures carried the thermometer in the Wichita Falls Electric company observation station to 49 for the maximum reading of the day, while the minimum sank only to 24. It was believed that this section of the country was finall yout of the way of below-freezing and near zero weather.

A mild breeze that prevailed most of the day rolled in a thick bank of clouds late in the afternoon, and in the early evening threats of rain were prominent. No moisture had fallen, however, up to 10 o'clock.

PACKARD CUTS PRICES

Drastic Slashes Bring Closed Car Prices Down.

DETROIT, Dec. 30.—The Packard Motor company today announced drastic cuts in prices. Reductions which affect all enclosed models of the Packard "six" bring them down to the same price of those on the open cars. Reductions run from $640 to $840.

FIGHTING IN JAPAN.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30.—Skirmishing was reported today between Kashing and Sangkiang.

WOULD ABOLISH INDICTMENT IN FELONY CASES

Amendments to Divorce Laws Recommended by Civil Committee

MEETING ADJOURNS

Presentation of Information All That Is Necessary in Crime, They Say

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 30.—Drastic changes in civil and criminal procedure in the courts of Texas are recommended by the Texas District Judges Association, which adjourned here this afternoon after a two day session.

The new association went on record as favoring elimination of grand jury indictments, substituting therefor the presentation of felonies by complaint or information. This was considered the most summary change suggested.

In the civil recommendations special reference was made to the pleas presented in court. The committee declared all pleas should be in writing, signed by the party or his attorney and filed with the clerk.

Special Attention to Divorce

Special attention also was directed to amendment of the divorce laws. In all suits for divorce in which the defendant waives service and does not appear in person or by attorney, the committee suggested that such a waiver should be declared void unless it is attached to a certified copy of plaintiff's petition and contains a statement that the defendant has seen and understands the complaint. Next year's meeting place was not selected.

ASK BORAH TO HELP

Write Senator Letter Requesting Co-operation in Peace Move.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Asking him to urge action upon the senate committee on foreign relations in support of the permanent court of international justice, 28 prominent republicans have written a joint letter made public here today, to Senator William Borah, of Idaho, chairman of the committee.

FIGHT TO THE DEATH

Blood Battle In Montgomery, Ala., House Ends Fatally.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 30.—Shot through the shoulder and stomach and clasping a bloody knife in his hand, John Krahembehl, 35, of Atlanta, Ga., was found dead in a room occupied by the workmen's benefit association here today, W. E. King of Independence, Ala., is in a hospital probably fatally wounded. Police assert he shot Krahembehl and was himself stabbed to death.

FOOT AND MOUTH SCARE.

Illinois Worried at Report of Epidemic Among Cattle.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Reports that a dozen head of cattle in Henry county, Illinois, had been found infected with the foot and mouth disease were unfounded, according to advices to the office of Dr. W. H. Neil, chief of the local office of the bureau of animal industry of the department of agriculture.

PASS WILSON PENSION BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—A bill granting a pension of $5,000 annually to Mrs. Edith Bolling Wilson, widow of the late war president, was passed today by the senate. It now goes to the house.

STATE BANK ROBBED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30. — The Brookfield State Bank of Brookfield, Ills., 12 miles southeast of Chicago, was robbed of approximately $6,000 today by three men.

Hail, Hail The Gang's All Here! Ma, Pa And The Family Bus Return

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 30.—(INS)—An old, slightly weather worn automobile, battered by eight years of faithful effort, the same vehicle of sorrow that carried Ma and Pa Ferguson from Austin in 1917 with heads bowed under the stigma of impeachment, will triumphantly carry them back to Austin in January.

Because the automobile, during its strenuous existence, has been legally in the possession of Ma, creditors were unable to fasten far-reaching fingers on its steering wheel during the period of depression that followed Pa's ouster from the gubernatorial suite. For this reason, the car of somewhat ancient vintage is a precious reminder in Ma's life for it is symbolical of all the grief and joy of the past seven years, she said today.

And her license plate "No. 1" has been returned by the state highway commission. The Ferguson retreat from Austin in 1917 automatically shut off the flow of little favors due all executives of note including the annual custom of awarding Ma the No. 1 plate.

But the glorious re-entry into Austin next month will see them riding back in the same old car, over the same old road, to the same old garage and boasting the same old license—No. 1.

Jury Completed for Jackson Trial; Give Evidence Today

Panel Filled Late Tuesday For Murder Case in 78th District Court

Presentation of evidence will be started at 9 o'clock this morning in the case of the state vs. Jack B. Jackson, charged with the murder of Walter Jones, an oil field worker, who died in the general hospital following a shooting scrape on a lease near Iowa Park on the night of Nov. 8. The case is being tried before Judge Guy Rogers of the 78th district court.

The jury was completed at 6 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and is composed of the following: M. T. Donaldson, C. A. Jones, B. Kollman, C. W. Milton, J. F. Coffman, Geo. H. Gardner, Fred Bunder, W. H. White, Alva Conner, D. B. Kelly, C. E. Sproles and W. W. Jackson.

A rather unusual feature of the jury's selection came late in the day when jurors No's 9, 10 and 11—Messrs. Conner, Kelly and Sproles, were picked. All three are employees of the American Refinery here and live near each other.

DECRY IMMIGRATION

Present Status Will Result Unfavorably Says Scholar

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The new American immigration policy will, if long maintained, react unfavorably upon the social and economic welfare of the people living in densly populated lands so that "these people are bound to resent it and are more than likely to take measures to break it down," asserted Niles Carpenter, professor of sociology at the University of Buffalo, in an address today before the American Sociological Society.

"ENOCH ARDEN" RETURNS.

Husband Missing 23 Years Answers Room for Rent Sign.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A husband missing for 23 years was the first applicant answering a "room to rent" sign, Mrs. Mary Toursen told Judge Joseph Sabath today in asking a divorce. This "Enoch Arden" celebrated the event by beating her up, she said, when he found she had married another man. The judge indicated he would grant her a divorce so that she could remarry her present husband, William Corbliss.

BOND CONTRACT AWARDED

Oklahoma City Man Gets $1,300,000 Issue From Mexia.

MEXIA, Texas, Dec. 30.—C. Edgar Hennold of Oklahoma City today was awarded the $1,300,000 issue of road bonds issued by the Mexia consolidated road district by the county commissioners court when his bid of par with accrued interest, with a premium of $27,000 was accepted. More than 70 miles of roads will be improved.

SWEDISH SOCIALIST ILL.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30.—Hjalmar Branting, formerly premier of Sweden, and an active leader in the socialist movement, was critically ill today.

Why Travel, Asks Gotham, When Weather Man Puts Out Such Stuff As This

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The year 1924 has brought to New York City some remarkable things in the way of weather, James H. Scarr, government meteorologist said today.

It has been a windy year, a cold year and, according to Mr. Scarr, a dry one—a year in which a bonafide water spout took occasion to frolic with a ship load of feather pillows in the harbor, and a year when the record snowfall of eight inches was registered on April fool's day.

The average temperature throughout 1924 has been 51 degrees, fahrenheit up to tonight, which means that a total loss of 396 degrees from the average has been piled up in 365 days.

Each day therefore has been 1.1 degrees colder than the average day in the average year of the last century, or colder than history has recorded as an average since white men took up residence upon the isle of Manhattan, according to Mr. Scarr.

The coldest da yof 1924 was on last January 22, when the mercury sunk to four degrees above zero. The warmest day was last August 7, when it was 93 at the weather bureau, atop the thirty story Whitehall building, overlooking Battery Park.

Records of the century were, respectively, 13 below zero in December 1917, and 102 1-2 in the shade of August 7, 1918.

Despite the eight inch snow fall and the ensuing thunderstorm which ushered in last April the total precipitation for the year has been 37.72 inches, as compared with the normal 44.6.

The water spout was the spectacle of the year, and it performed right under the eyes of the weather bureau staff. A whirling, twisting spindle through which the waters of the sea and the heavens gyrated. It capered across the inner bay, fro mshore to shore, before being dissipated. En-route, it encountered a small craft laden with bundles of pillows, ripped open a few, nearly smothered the ship's pilot in a cloud of feather, and skipped away over calm waters.

The record wind velocity was 77 miles per hour, spun by the bureau's anemometer last November 16. There were however, a dozen other days when 69 to 74 mile gales were registered.

DEATH QUERY MARKS TIME

Officials in McClintock Case Now Await Full Report From Chemists

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Investigation into circumstances surrounding the death of William Nelson McClintock, 21-year-old "millionaire orphan" who died nearly four weeks ago while his fiancee waited to marry him, marked time today while the authorities awaited the complete report of Dr. William McNally, coroner's chemist, who is making tests of the youth's vital organs.

Robert H. Stoll, counsel for William D. Shepherd, who with Mrs. Shepherd, raised the orphaned boy and who by the terms of the will was left the bulk of the fortune, said tonight that Dr. James Simons, who represented Shepherd at the autopsy, will report tomorrow that nothing except typhoid fever caused McClintock's death. This was the cause of death as given in the death certificate.

LAWYERS FIGHT IT OUT

Kansas City Attorney Cools Another One In Court Hearing.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—(INS)—Frank "Chee Chee" DeMayo this afternoon knocked J. F. Lawrence, attorney, unconscious in Justice E. C. Towne's court during trial of his case against the Indiana Oil company, an aftermath of charges brought against DeMayo recently in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Lawrence was not revived for five minutes.

ANOTHER GIFT OF MILLION

Rockefeller to Donate Huge Sum To Unnamed School.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is going to give away still another million.

As a sequel to his gift yesterday of $1,000,000 in oil stock to the metropolitan museum of art in New York, it was learned this afternoon the millionaire plans to give an educational institution, as yet unnamed, $1,000,000 as a new year's gift.

SOVIET BUYS PLANES.

100 Fighting Machines Bought by Reds From Fokker.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Russian soviet government, it was announced here today, has ordered 100 fighting airplanes from Fokker, the Dutch airplane builder. The machines are to be built in Holland and fitted with British engines.

FOREST BILL PASSES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The bill to convert the military reservation at Camp Benning, Ga., into a national forest, was passed today by the senate without objection.

MAY BUILD REFORMATORY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—A house bill for the establishment of a federal industrial reformatory for first offenders was passed today by the senate and sent to the president.

ROUTED BY FIRE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(INS)—Five members of the University of Chicago chapter of Delta Tau Delta fraternity narrowly escaped with their lives today when fire partially destroyed the chapter house.

BOND CHANGE HALTS JUNE 30

Libertys Cannot be Altered To Draw Higher Interest After That Date

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Secretary Mellon served notice tonight that the privilege of converting first liberty loan converted bonds of 1932-47 and second liberty loan bonds of 1927-42 into four and one-half per cent liberty bonds will be withdrawn next June 30. After that date, holders of the original issues affected by the order, will have to be content with the lower rate of interest carried by those bonds and will be unable to exchange them for security bearing four and one-half per cent bonds.

The treasury's announcement was in compliance with provisions of the law requiring that date for withdrawal of the privilege must be determined six months before the privilege expires.

Despite that the conversion privilege has been available since May 19, 1918, the holders of more than $33,000,000 of these securities have failed to take advantage of it.

ARREST BANK ROBBER

Chandler, Oklahoma, Bank Robbed of $4,000 By Masked Men

CHANDLER, Okla., Dec. 30.—Eddie Bailey, 35, is in jail here and another suspect is reported to be under arrest near Cushing following the robbery of the Farmers National Bank here this morning in which four unmasked men got away with $4,000.

Bailey was arrested by the city marshal at Davenport, Okla., on the request of Lincoln county authorities.

DAVIS BACK FROM S. A.

Labor Secretary Declines to Comment on Report He'll Quit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(INS)—Secretary of Labor James J. Davis following his return from a 52 day tour of South America declined today to confirm or deny that he would relinquish his post in March. He will talk the matter over with President Coolidge before deciding.

BLIZZARD SWEEPS STEPPES.

Worst Storm in Years Disorganizes Traffic in Russia.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—(INS)—One of the worst blizzards in the memory of inhabitants was raging today in the trans-Caucassus district. Transportation is disorganized.

Eleven persons have been frozen to death. So deep is the snow that troops were summoned to clear the streets and roads.

$50,000 STOLEN.

BROOKFIELD, Ills., Dec. 30. — Four bandits entered the Brookfield State Bank here today held four employes at bay while they went methodically through vaults and escaped with $50,000 in cash.

SHEFFIELD RETURNS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30. — (INS) — United States Ambassador Sheffield is leaving here today for Florida for the benefit of his health. He will be accompanied by his wife and son. Sheffield has been in ill health ever since his arrival in Mexico.

It's a Gay Life But This One Weakened In Society's Turmoil

And So He Sues His Fast Stepping Wife for a Divorce

ALPENA, Mich., Dec. 30.—(INS)—That his home was wrecked and his married happiness completely destroyed when his wife plunged wreckelessly into a "whirl of post war gaiety, among the socalled fast set in military and official circles at Washington," is charged by Representative Frank D. Scott, who testified again today in his suit for divorce against Edna James Scott.

Scott has named many high army officials, including Brigadier General William Mitchell of the air service.

She Denies It.

Mrs. Scott denies Scott's charges of extravagance and cruelty and cites gambling debts she alleges Scott incurred "with certain wealthy members of congress under whose dominance he was for the past three years, among them Representative Allen Moore of Monticello, Ills.," and named the "boats nest" in Washington and a room in the new Willard hotel as the scene of the games.

Scott cites dates and names of persons with whom he alleges his

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WHITE HOUSE TALKS DEBTS.

Developments in Anglo-French Discussion Confined to Coolidges.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Developments in the American-French debt funding situation were confined today to White House quarters, where it was announced that President Coolidge had not as a result of the general discussions current in Paris and Washington of possible repudiation of the debt by France, reached any definite conclusions of his own nor had he received any report that such discussions had reached a stage where they justified official consideration.

SEEK TO SEE MRS. SWEETIN.

Curious Throng Franklin County Jail to See Husband Killer.

BENTON, Ills., Dec. 30.—Curious throngs made up of people from the surrounding counties daily crowd the corridors of the Franklin county jail here seeking a glimpse of Mrs. Elsie Sweetin, who was sentenced to 35 years' imprisonment for the poison murder of her husband, Wilford Sweetin, at Ina, Ills.

Mrs. Sweetin smilingly greets the multitudes and declaring herself innocent berates Lawrence M. Hight, deposed pastor, who, as her accomplice was sentenced to prison for life.

TOO MUCH GOLD IN U. S.

Yale Professor Says This Country Is Burdened With Wealth.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The United States has too much gold, Professor Irving Fisher of Yale university said in effect today before the American Economic association.

At least half the gold reserve of the federal reserve system is a menace, he added.

"The United States now holds over four and one-half billion dollars of gold, about one-half of the world's total," he said. "Nearly two-thirds of this is held by the federal reserve banking system.

LABOR TO FIGHT ON

Green Says It Will Continue War On Open Shop.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—William Green, new president of the American Federation of Labor, declared today in the first public statement he has made since assuming office, that organized labor would continue its fight for a "full and complete recognition of all employers of labor of the principle of collective bargaining, for justice, decent wages and tolerable and humane conditions of employment."

HAWKINS CO. BANKRUPT

Federal Judge Hold Indianapolis Mortgage Firm Is Insolvent.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—Federal Judge B. Anderson adjudged the Hawkins Mortgage company of Portland, Ind., bankrupt on a petition filed by creditors May 26, 1923. Morton S. Hawkins, president, has been a fugitive since October 1, 1924, when he failed to appear in federal court to answer a charge of conspiracy to use the mails to defraud.

FLOUR MILL BURNED.

LONDON, Ontario, Dec. 30.—Fire today destroyed the Hunt Brothers Flour Mills, consuming 125,000 bushels of wheat and about 10,000 barrels of flour. The loss is estimated at $750,000.

HOUSE PASSES LARGEST BILL OF ALL TIME

11 Millions for Enforcement Of Dry Laws; 20 for Coast Guard

NOW GOES TO SENATE

No Amendments Offered to Huge Measure; House Working Rapidly

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Speeding along at almost an unprecedented legislative clip, the house today passed the treasury postoffice supply bill, which, with its $763,000,000 total, is the largest peace time appropriation measure ever considered by congress.

Sent to the senate practically without amendment after only two days' consideration the bill provides, among other things, $11,000,000 for prohibition enforcement and $20,000,000 for the coast guard service, half of which would be available during the coming year for use in curbing rum smuggling.

$2,600,000 For Mail.

Other items in the bill include $2,600,000 for operation of the transcontinental mail service, $526,373 for maintenance of pneumatic mail tubes in New York City, $16,656,200 for the customs service, and $9,103,101 for the public health service.

The fourth of the annual supply bills to go to the senate, which so far has failed to act on any of them, the bill's passage cleared the way for consideration by the house late in the week of the army appropriation measure.

All Sections O. K.

All sections of the treasury-post-office bill dealing with mints and assay offices and concerning the upkeep and improvement of public buildings were approved by the house as drafted by the appropriations committee.

Just before final action on the bill, Representative Busby, democrat, Mississippi, moved to recommit the bill to the appropriations committee to have the appropriation for the pay of rural mail carriers raised from $88,350,000 to $89,250,000. The motion was lost, 69 to 147.

HER FEET GOT COLD.

Nearer She Got to Altar Harder It Was to Move.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—(INS)—"I got cold feet," said pretty Miss Betty Winslow as she boarded a train for New York today, by way of explaining why she was not leaving the city as Mrs. Carl E. Moore. Moore, who is a prominent Cleveland politician and was a close friend of the late President Harding, and the young actress came here for the express purpose of matrimony. However, the nearer they got to the city clerk's office the colder grew the intended bride's feet.

"Why, I've only seen Mr. Moore three times in eight months," she said. "That is not often enough."

LINZ HEADS RESERVE BOARD.

Dallas Man Named Chairman of Federal Bank Directors.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—Clarence E. Linz of Dallas, class C director of the federal reserve bank, eleventh district, has been appointed vice chairman of the board of directors and Lynn P. Talley has been re-appointed federal reserve agent and chairman of the board of directors for another year, according to notification received here from the federal reserve board at Washington.

LEAGUES IN CONFERENCE.

100 Delegates Attend Banquet at Dallas.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—The annual four-day conference of the Epworth league presidents of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, opened here tonight with a banquet which was attended by more than 100 delegates from seventeen states. Dr. C. C. Selecman, president of the Southern Methodist university, Dallas, acted as toastmaster.

FARM MEET IN DALLAS.

Fifth Annual Convention to Be Held There Feb. 3 and 4.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—The fifth annual convention of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation will be held in Dallas February 3 and 4, it was decided today by the executive committee of the organization.

More than 400 members are expected to attend.

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Read the Real Estate Ads in the Classified columns of The Record News daily for pointers on the best values.

Many of these desirable properties may be bought with a little cash and the balance payable in convenient amounts.

Read these ads now.

WICHITA FALLS RECORD NEWS

"Where Buyer and Seller Meet"

PHONE 4121

Business Leader Here Backs C of C And Predicts An Era Of Prosperity

This is the first of a series of interviews from the business leaders of Wichita Falls who have been approached by the chamber of commerce for their views on business conditions expected for the coming year. Others will appear from day to day in the Record News.—Editor's note.



W. M. Priddy.

"I am decidedly of the opinion that 1925 gives promise of being a most prosperous year for Wichita Falls and Wichita county, and the surrounding territory," Walter M. Priddy declared yesterday in an interview regarding the chamber of commerce financial campaign and plans of the organization for the new year.

"Few of our people realize the great value of our wonderful irrigation project and what it means for a city to have an abundant water supply. Water is an industrial necessity and is given first consideration by industries prospecting for new locations," Mr. Priddy declared, adding "this project has already been worth its cost to this community for it has kept Wichita Falls growing steadily while many of our other cities have been slipping back."

Pipe Lines a Help.

"The extension of the oil pipe lines radiating from Wichita Falls means a great deal to the refineries in this community. It justifies them in making extensive improvements and enlargements, thus adding very materially to the payroll of the city.

"During the coming year we should include in our chamber of commerce budget a fund for advertising. We need to prepare several attractive folders to be distributed and to start a general campaign to let the people of the world know of some of our unusual advantages.

"People owning land in the irrigation district should prepare as rapidly as possible to put this land in cultivation, either by cutting it up in small tracts and selling it, or renting it out.

Can Handle Big Sums.

"I believe the chamber of commerce can invest in a profitable way $60,000 to $75,000 next year in advertising. We have good banks, good schools, good churches, good land, plenty of water; there is no reason why 1930 should not find Wichita Falls a city of 150,000 people.

"Our citizenship is perhaps our greatest asset and I know of no city where people pull together better than they do here in our home city.

"We have unusual agricultural opportunities with the city surrounded by wonderful oil fields. What more could we ask? All we need to do is to tell the world and treat the people right when they come here."

Roger W. Babson Gives 1924 Review and 1925 Forecast

STATISTICIAN FINDS NATION IN FAIR SHAPE

Back From Trip Through Whole Country, He Sketches Ideas

"DON'T BE WORRIED"

He Urges Confidence in Future for Those Who Have Failed

BABSON PARK, Mass., Dec. 26.—Roger W. Babson, the statistician, returning from a trip that has taken him into practically every section of importance in the United States and Canada, today summarizes his finding on the general business situation and analyzes the trends that promise to shape our fortunes for the new year. Bankers and business men, chashiers and clerks, farmers and factory workers, merchants and manufacturers, will all find much to think about in the facts brought out by Mr. Babson's observations and studies.

1924 a Difficult Year.

"No one should be discouraged if he has failed to have good business in 1924. The great bulk of business men had hard sledding,' says Mr. Babson. "Of course there are some exceptions. Certain lines, such as the chain store people, public utility interests, bakeries, and dairy companies, seem to have had a prosperous year. In considering these few lines that have done well, it is interesting to note that they all are in the 'repeat order' business and also do pretty much a cash business. Of course, all of us cannot enjoy these two advantages, but certainly there is a suggestion here which many should strive to follow.

"Considering all sections of the country and all lines of industry, 1924 has been a far less prosperous year than 1923. For many manufacturers and merchants the year has been one of intense struggle and disappointment. Gross business has fallen off and it has been almost impossible to reduce expenses, thus in many cases eliminating profits altogether. An analysis of the leading barometric figures comparing 1924 with 1923 pictures the situatio naccurately:

1. Number of failures, 1923, 18,943; 1924, 20,000; increase 6 per cent.
2. Failure liabilities, 1923, $575,630,000; 1924, $638,306,000; increase 11 per cent.
3. Bank clearings, 1923, $190,202,000,000; 1924, $197,507,000,000, decrease 1 per cent.
4. Employment (except N. Y.) in manufacturing establishments in N. Y. 1923, 110 per cent; 1924, 100 per cent; decrease 9 per cent.
5. Wage index in manufacturing establishments in N. Y. state, 1923, 238 per cent; 1924, 221 per cent, decrease 7 per cent.
6. New building (permits) 1923, $2,060,909,000; 1924, $2,130,000,000; increase 3 per cent.
7. Exports, 1923, $4,167,493,000; 1924, $4,543,000,000, increase 9 per cent.
8. Imports, 1923, $3,792,066,000; 1924, $3,527,000,000, decrease 7 per cent.
9. Total trade, 1923, $7,959,559,000; 1924, $8,070,000,000, increase 1 per cent.
10. Commodity prices (Bradstreet Index) 1923, $13.4028; 1924, $12.8672, decrease 4 per cent.
11. N. Y. stock exchange (shares traded), 1923, 236,115,000; 1924, 266,800,000, increase 13 per cent.
12. R. R. gross per mile, 1923, $26,763; 1924, $24,900, decrease 7 per cent.
13. Car loadings (No. cars per wk) 1923, 956,000; 1924, 927,000; decrease 3 per cent.
14. Unfilled steel orders (monthly av. tonnage), 1923, 6,609,000; 1924, 3,726,000, decrease 38 per cent.
15. Pig iron production (tons), 1923, 40,039,000; 1924, 30,445,000; decrease 24 per cent.

Some 1924 figures estimated where totals for last few weeks are not yet available.

The Commodity Situation.

Throughout 1924 there has been a sagging in commodity prices varying with different lines of business. Steel, for instance, has gone off from $42.50 in January, 1924, to $35.50 in December, 1924. Other commodities have had declines somewhat as follows: (The first figures are January, the second December.)

Pig iron $26.05 per ton, $23.05 per ton.

Nails $3.00 per cwt., $2.85 per cwt.

Petroleum $1.40 per bbl., 90c per bbl.

Boxboard chips 80c per cwt., 30c per cwt.

Cotton 35.70c per lb., 23.30c per pound.

Cotton yarns 53c per lb., 44 1-2c per lb.

Gingham 19c per yard, 10 1-2 per yard.

"Of course, there are instances where there have been increases, as in the cas of grains, but the general tendency of commodity prices has been downward throughout the year, as was indicated by fundamental conditions last January. Taking the list as a whole, we see a decrease of some 8 per cent, which is considerable in view of the tremendous declines of 1921 and 1922.

Working Conditions Fair.

"The employment situation has been working out the same way. There have been no bread lines during 1924, and wages have held up pretty well, but in many sections of the country there has been considerable unemployment. This especially has been true in the union coal mining districts in the central west, where more idleness has prevailed than for years. The textile industry, the shoe industry and other highly organized lines have suffered during 1924 from much idleness. When the channels of trade from Europe were closed, it was possible for organized labor in this country to demand and exact its 'pound of flesh.' With the world's market once more normal so that goods can flow back and forth as needed and in the best interests of all, no one group in any one country can take an arbitrary position at the expense of others. Hence, altho the year has been fairly satisfactory for unorganized groups, there has been much unemployment in organized labor. A comparison of wage cuts and increases gives us the following:

	Wage Cuts	Wage Increases
1923	31	1470
1924	228	436

"Commodity prices, wages, and cost of living move more or less in the same direction. These three things have always gone together in the past and they will always go together in the future. Artificial barriers and stimulants may temporarily affect prices, wages and the cost of living, as a dam may temporarily affect the flow of a stream of water. No dam ever destroys the water. Sooner or later it flows over the dam. Labor unions, tariffs, immigration restrictions and other legislation may temporarily stimulate the situation, but such stimulation is not permanent. Reaction always follows. Water must seek its own level and ultimately all groups and nations suffer and prosper together. This is the great lesson of 1924.

The Investment Situation.

"As a result of the decreased business in 1924 money has been idle and plentiful. When copper is 14c a pound it requires only half as much capital to carry it as when it is at 25c a pound, and the same is true of commodities in general. When business is dull, money is always plentiful, and 1924 was no exception to the rule. The following figures for the average call rates on the New York Stock Exchange for the last ten years shows very clearly what has taken place in this regard:

1914, 3 3-5; 1915, 2; 1916, 2 1-2; 1917, 3 3-8; 1918, 5 7-8; 1919, 6 3-8; 1920, 7 7-8; 1921, 6; 1922, 4 1-4; 1923, 4 7-8; 1924, 3 1-8.

"These low money rates have caused banks to buy bonds with their surplus funds, and we have witnessed a very good bond year. Yields of active bonds closed December 31, 1923, with an average of 5.39 per cent and are closing this year about 0.4 points lower. Of course, the nearer we get to the top the less opportunity there is for further rises, but I should not be surprised in some instances to see even higher prices in 1925 than in 1924.

"The stock market continued to work in a sidewise manner until the nominations took place in June. When it was seen that both of the major parties selected good men, the banking interests took courage and began to lay constructive programs for financing large developments. The actual business, however, was held back until election day. When it was found that President Coolidge was re-elected by such a tremendous popular vote, the throttle was opened wide and the stock market had a tremendous volume of business. Of course, this business was largely made up of orders which had been held back, like a stream of water, pending the counting of the ballots. When the dam was removed, the flood of orders came forth and we witnessed some of the heaviest days in the history of the New York Stock Exchange.

"Many wonder whether the bull market has culminated or whether 1925 will see even higher prices. Based on experiences of previous bull markets, I believe that 1925 will se higher prices in the case of many securities than was witnessed in the best days of 1924.

1925 Like 1900?

"I remember very well the election of 1900, when a bull market suddenly developed under circumstances very much like those of this November. It went on for some days and then reacted four or five points, continuing irregularly into December. Then the advance again started, and with the opening of the exchange on January 2, al lprevious records were broken. In January, however, the bull market seemed to culminate. Wall Street took profits very heavily, with the result that some stocks reacted from 10 to 20 points. During February, when the United States Steel combination was announced, the market moved only sidewise, but very soon rumors began to come out that other consolidations, especially railroad consolidations, were under way, and prices rose from 20 to 30 points during March. In April there were similar advances running as far as 25 points, and the mouth's trading was very heavy. What was the wildest bull market in the history of Wall Street came on April 30, when 3,-81,226 shares changed hands. Very shortly after this the Northern Pacific corner developed and the crash came May 9. All stocks were liquidated; tremendous decreases took place, such as 60 points in Delaware and Hudson, 31 in Union Pacific, and 23 in U. S. Steel, and so on down the list.

"Of course, there is no reason why we should compare the present bull market with any particular one. There were also bull markets in 1904 and 1905, and again in 1916, but there are many points regarding the present situation which resemble 1900 more than any stock market movement. We have cheap money, favorable political situation, and possibilities of consolidation with the consent and approval of all interests. Certainly at no time in history has the stage been better set for a continuation of the upward movement which has been in process since June, 1924, and which really began in earnest with the elections.

Other Possibilities.

"When any reader, however, bases hope for higher prices on a resemblance to 1900, let him also remember the disastrous crash that followed in May, 1901. That is to say, it is very dangerous to use a part of a comparison without carrying it thru to a conclusion. Altho it is entirely possible that 1925 will see a great bull movement, yet if so, it will also witness drastic declines. The trees never grow to the skies. Rockets go up but the sticks also come down. The higher securities go, the more dangerous it is to fool with them. Hence, if we do have much higher stock market prices in 1925, we are likely to have a great collapse in 1925. This is what statistics indicate and what the Babsonchart confirms. This means that great care should be exercized in the purchase of securities from now on, and that no one should be guided by tips or rumors. All purchases should be based on careful study or recommendations by people in whom you have the greatest trust. If you cannot afford to get expert advice, go to your local banker and ask him to help you. Otherwise, leave your money on deposit or invest it in life insurance, local mortgages or something that you know about.

"A great many people feel that money in the bank is idle. This is a great mistake. It is being invested just the same whether it is on deposit in the bank or in securities. The main difference is that money in the bank is being invested by people trained in the investing of money, while money that you invest yourself is often lost owing to your lack of knowledge and experience. Hence, I urge everybody to keep a good bank account during 1925. Put more money into life insurance, especially life annuities, and if you have plenty of funds take a local mortgage at 6 per cent from someone whom you know. Stocks and bonds are not the only form of investment. It is not necessary to send money to Czecho-Slavinkia or some other distant country in order to 'invest' it. Often the best 6 per cent investment can be obtained on a first mortgage on some house in your neighborhood.

General Outlook For 1925.

"As we look forward to the new year, we are confronted by two facts, one of which makes us timid and the other makes us courageous. The fact which makes me a little timid is the uncertainty as to European imports. I have already referred to his European situation and need not expand upon it now. The fact nevertheless remains that Europe must get onto its feet, and in order to get it onto its feet, it must sell more goods. Moreover, there is no reason why we should not expect this. The world is more or less a unit, and more so today than ever. Hence, we are influenced by trade conditions the world over, sometimes to our disadvantage. This does not trouble me, as in the end we will be all benefited by it, but during 1925 and perhaps longer certain industries and certain sections of the country will suffer from this world readjustment of markets. However, these sections will be those that have benefited most during the past ten years, so that the net result will be fair all around. The particular industries that suffer will be those depending upon hand labor rather than those that prosper through great mass production. Moreover, these will be in certain industrial sections of the east rather than the great virile, agricultural sections of the central west and south.

"Offsetting this one disadvantage, we have better conditions of the central west, the south, and other agricultural sections. The northwest, which has been suffering for some years, should have a distinctly better year in 1925 than it had in 1924. This will also be true of many other farming sections of the United States. The farmer is once more coming into his own, and, given fair growing weather, 19233 should be a better year for him than 1924. As the farmer is the foundation of prosperity and the basis of progress, this should foretell prosperity for the nation as a whole.

"The south especially is looking forward to a splendid year in 1925. The 1924 cotton crop will probably reach 13,000,000 bales, and perhaps 13,300,-000. Up to the time of writing this report the dry and warm weather in the south has been very propitious for the next cotton crop, and everything now is favorable. Of course the boll weevil is still doing business, but we are learning more and more to control it, both directly through spraying and fertilization and indirectly through diversified crops. With the Dawes plan under way, the foreign consumption of cotton should increase, and with a readjustment of wage scales among the textile mills of this country, domestic consumption should increase. Hence we face a year of good prices, stimulated by an active growing demand.

"The fact is that I am very hopeful for the entire south. Surely, the south has turned the corner and what has happened to the west during the past forty years is likely to happen in the south during the next forty. I also am very hopeful for the Pacific coast, believing that my grandchildren will see the largest city in America on the Pacific coast and the world's trade carried on the Pacific ocean rather than on the Atlantic. It will take time to arouse the hundreds of millions of people in China, India, and the Far East, but sooner or later they will come into the market as the world's greatest consumers of goods.

A Policy For 1925.

"Two years ago at our summer conference at Babson Park, the late Dr. Steinmetz was answering questions in the auditorium. Someone asked whether he thought our present civilization was due to follow that of Greece and Rome intd decay and oblivion. 'Whether or not our present civilization is going to pieces,' answered the doctor, 'depends ver ylargely upon your disgestion.' It is much the same with the crop of miscellaneous business prophets who take the stump at this particular season of the year. Their findings depend largely upon the condition of their business livers and their conclusions are drawn to a great extent from the figures on their own balance sheets.

"Many financial writers are poohpoohing foreign competition and seeing only the improved conditions in this country and other nations of the world. They are preaching a great bull year for 1925. Then we have the other group which is pessimistic, refusing to recognize the better conditions and pointing only to the inequalities existing throughout our own nation and throughout the world as a whole. This group is pessimistic as to 1925. Personally, I believe that 1925 is a year when we should all let nature take its course and neither artificially stimulate the situation nor unnecessarily hamper developments. If we attempt artificially to stimulate business now and bring about a period of inflation, we certainly will have a severe reaction in 1925, because the great readjustment period following the World War has not yet been completed. Certain industries and sections have been thoroughly readjusted, but other industries and sections have not.

"I should feel very badly to see any sudden spurt in general business and commodity prices similar to what has been witnessed on the Stock Exchange. On the other hand, if we will let nature take its course and let the readjustment which is now about 75 per cent completed, run its course, then we can gradually enter into a period of prosperity which should last us for some time. If so, 1925 will become a year of stabilization, a year when wages could be stabilized, investments stabilized, prices stabilized, and, most of all, the hearts of men stabilized. Therefore, can't we make 'stabilization' the watchword for 1925?

"Let us forget the bull markets and the bear markets," concluded Mr. Babson. "Let us cease to try to artificially stimulate or artificially depress. Let us not try to prove this or that, but let us be content with the middle of the road. Then we shall have completed in a natural way the great readjustment period and be preparing ground for another period of real prosperity."



A PICTURE OF AMERICAN BUSINESS

This is the chart, originated by Mr. Babson and compiled by his associates, from which they study and interpret business conditions. It is a composite picture of the leading barometers of business, which include such items as: New buildings; crops, check transactions, immigration, total foreign trade, money rates, adjusted scales, failures, commodity prices, railroad earnings, stock prices. An index of Canadian business conditions is also included.

The central line of the chart (X-Y Line) divides the areas equally above and below and indicates the net growth of American business. It records the development of the country's resources regardless of the condition of business at the moment. The line running alternately above and below it indicates the present state of trade and shows clearly our progress through ensuing periods of prosperity, decline, depression, and improvement.

This Babsonchart is not only valuable as a reliable and unbiased picture of the business conditions, but it also reflects the governing action of the principle of action and reaction. The effect of this basic law on business is widely accepted but is also often misunderstood. The relation between these periods of abnormal and subnormal business is found only by multiplying the time by the intensity of each movement. In other words, an intense period of prosperity short in duration may be offset by a mild depression of long duration. On the chart these conclusions become simply a matter of comparing areas. On the Babsonchart above, the area of prosperity "B" is exactly equalled by the area of depression "C." The abnormal business which made up the areas above the "X-Y Line" labelled "D" is exactly offset by the ensuing depression "E." The great period of war and post war inflation "F" is being offset by the readjustment area "G." This readjustment is well along in its development, as Mr. Babson points out in the accompanying article.

The star indicates the present position of business.

Women Wanted to Acquit M'Coy of Murder Charges

Ex-Pug Nearly Escaped Any Penalty for Death of Mrs. Mors

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 30.—Nine women jurors of the panel which weighed the evidence against Kid McCoy, ex-pugilist, convicted of manslaughter here last night in connection with the murder of Mrs. Theresa W. Mors last August, favored an acquittal earlier in the deliberations, it was revealed today.

It was the influence of women, according to the three men of the jury, that discarded the request of the state for the extreme penalty early in the proceedings.

The marriages of McCoy, of which there were eight, and upon which the prosecution laid heavy stress in its arguments, failed to swerve the women jurors.

"Although we reached a compromise verdict," one of the women said, "it would have been impossible to hang McCoy. He is not the type of man that hangs."

It was disclosed also that the record of 78 hours behind locked doors, the longest for a jury to be out in the history of Los Angeles county, was due to Mrs. Mamie V. Hunt, who demanded an "absolute acquittal."

From the women it was learned that the so-called "romantic life of the former pugilist was the subject for much favorable oratory sentiment and "kidding" while his fate hung in the balance.

FOG ENVELOPS CHICAGO.

Inky Blanket Settles Over Loop; Is Dark at Noon.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Chicago today was enveloped in an inky blanket of fog and smoke which transformed day to night and at noon gave the loop an appearance of midnight.

Automobile and street cars traveled with head lights blazing faintly, while through the murky atmosphere office buildings were ablaze with electric light. Trains in the fog area which covered virtually all of Chicago proceed under "slow" orders which failed to prevent one fatal accident. There were scores of minor accidents in the streets.

The darkness was caused, according to the weather bureau, by the rise in temperature after the recent cold wave.

CARDINAL DEAD.

ROME, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cardinal Oreste Giorgi died of pneumonia at his residence in the Palazzo Altemps here today in his 69th year. He was born in Valmontone, Italy, and was created a cardinal December 4, 1916. He held the office of grand pen of the holy Roman church.

SMALL LOSES HIS FIGHT

Must Work Still Further to Get Clear Bill of Health In Court.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 30.—(AP)—On the verge of his second term of office Governor Len Small today lost his fight for a clean record when Circuit Judge Frank W. Burton handed down an opinion holding that he is still accountable for interest money received on state taxes entrusted to him while state treasurer.

The judge held that the governor, Verne Curtis and the heirs of Ed Curtis are liable for interest paid to them on all packers notes, but that the bondsmen of these men are not liable.

BABBS TOLL NOW 36

Aged Woman Dies Tuesday as Result of Christmas Eye Burns.

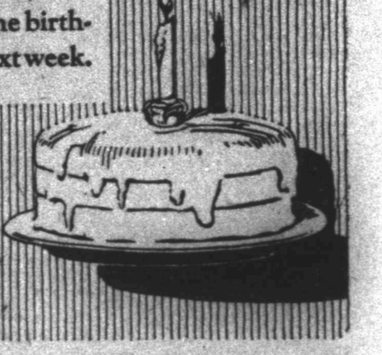
HOBART, Okla., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Isabel McNutt, 72, who was injured in the Christmas eve fire at Babb's Switch school house, died at her home four miles south of here today. Her death brings the total of fatalities from the fire to 36.

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Dances And Parties To Usher 1925 Into City; Two Affairs At Kemp

Just a matter of a few more hours and the old 1924 will be ushered out forever. A brand new 1925 will appear with not a scratch upon it. The past will go with the old year and the present and future will ring up with the new resolutions which will be made, only to be broken, as of many years past. But what is the need of having a new year if it can't be intituted in.

The college girls and boys are soon to go back to school but before they go they will welcome the new year in. Every set of every age is planning big things for the next few days. Plans have been made to start it off with a good beginning.

Comus Dance Tonight.

The Comus club will have its big informal dance on Wednesday evening at the Kemp, beginning at 9:30 and lasting until 1 o'clock. The "Sooner Boomers" from Oklahoma university will provide the music. There will be confetti, novelty caps and all sorts of noise makers. This will be one of the largest events of the holiday season.

On the same evening the young matrons of the Kill Kare and Idle Hour clubs will entertain their husbands with a watch party at the home of Mrs. C. E. Naylor on Ninth street. There will be music, dancing and refreshments.

At 8:30 on Thursday evening Miss Fannie Margaret Barnes will be married to Bernard W. Miner. The ceremony will be solemnized at the Floral Heights Methodist church, with the bride's father, Rev. S. A. Barnes, reading the ceremony. Several hundred friends of both families have been invited.

Cypher Club Dance.

As the New Year must be started off right, the Cypher club will have its annual dance on Thursday evening at the Kemp hotel, beginning promptly at 9 o'clock and lasting until 1 o'clock. All members of the other clubs are invited. The "Sooner Boomers" will play for it.

On the afternoon of New Year's day from 3 to 5, Mesdames Carter McGregor, A. D. Anderson and W. J. Grisham will be hostesses to a reception and tea which will be held at the Wichita club honoring three popular school girls. Misses Elizabeth Carrigan and Helen Grisham, from Ward-Belmont and Miss Flora Bruce Greenwood of Miss Hockday's school.

There will be a New Year's dance at the Wichita Golf and Country club Thursday evening, beginning at 8:30 and lasting until 12 o'clock. Members may have guests if they get a guest card from Fred Cooper or H. L. Ruehl.

LITTLE MISS BONE CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Little Miss Margaret Bone celebrated her tenth birthday, Saturday afternoon, at her home, on Broad. She was assisted in entertaining by her mother, Mrs. R. D. Bone, and Mrs. H. C. Switzer.

The house was decorated in the Christmas decorations. Games were played all during the afternoon. In the game pinning the tail on the donkey, Miss Ruth Preston won first prize and Miss Mary Hyatt won low; in a guessing advertisement game Miss Lucille Elkins won first prize and Miss Evelyn Johnson won the boobie.

Just before the birthday cake was cut each guest was presented with a horn. In the cut of the cake Miss Ellen Boardman got the thimble; Phebie Jane Filgo, the dime; Miss Elsie Cooper, the button; Miss Ruth Ferguson, the penny; and Miss Charlotte Robertson, the ring.

Ice cream and cake with small boxes of candy as favors were served to Misses Lucille Elkins, Lucille Harper, Ruth Ferguson, Elizabeth Oowings, Ruth Preston, Millman Rochester, Mary Lynn Taylor, Elise Cooper, Margaret Helgerson, Evelyn Johnson, Mary Merle Strong, Emiline Lewis, Irene Clayton, Margaret Dale, Dorothy Goodner, Helen Ruth Conley, Mary Hyatt, Lee Elen Boardman, Ruth Kevil, Mary Aline Newton, Charlotte Robertson, Zada McKinney, Mesdames Frank Elkins, Monroe Rochester, H. C. Switzer and R. D. Bone.

MISS RHEA GARDNER WEDS R. A. HOFFMAN

A wedding of interest, and which came as a surprise to friends was the marriage Tuesday afternoon of Ralph A. Holman of Marshalltown, Iowa, to Miss Rhea Gardner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Gardner of this city.

The ceremony was performed at 3 o'clock at the Gardner home on Elizabeth by Rev. N. F. Grafton. Only members of the family were present. Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman left for Marshalltown, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Hoffman is one of the best known and well liked young business women in Wichita. She has been very active in business and church circles, having been president of the Business and Professional Women's club for some time and president of the Business Girls class of the First Methodist church. She is a graduate of the Wichita Falls high school and of Southern Methodist university.

Mr. Hoffman is an electrical engineer of Marshalltown and has lived there for a number of years.

CIRCLE THREE OF BAPTIST CHURCH MEETS.

Circle three of the Floral Heights Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. L. W. Proctor, with their regular meeting, Monday afternoon.

The devotional was led by Mrs. H. A. O'Neill, and after a short business meeting a social hour was spent. Dainty refreshments were served to Mesdames H. A. O'Neill, Robert Farmer, J. B. Allred, J. T. Duke, F. R. Ross, R. L. Myrick, L. C. Frank and the hostess.

MRS. E. L. GOFF HOSTESS ON TUESDAY.

Mrs. E. L. Goff was hostess at her home on Alma street Tuesday with a luncheon complimenting the officers and teacher of the Fowler Bible class of the First Presbyterian church.

The dining room was beautifully decorated suggestive of the holidays. In a contest Mrs. Mann Kell was lucky and received a lovely pot plant.

A four course luncheon was served to Mesdames H. J. Streit, E. A. Fowler, Minnie Gaffney, I. H. Roberts, Frank Benson, Frank Kell, J. G. Robinson, N. F. Grafton and Meadows.

J. A. Hughes returned Tuesday night from a business trip in Gainesville and other points.

WILLIAMSON-BETTERSWORTH NUPTIALS ANNOUNCED.

Announcement was made Saturday, in Jackson, Miss., of the marriage of Miss Alice Bettersworth to L. T. Williamson of this city.

Miss Bettersworth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bettersworth of Jackson, Miss., and a popular member of the younger social set there. Mr. Williamson came here about eight months ago from Vicksburg and has been since that time with the Record News. The romance began about a year ago when the groom was in Jackson, working on the Clarion Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson will be at home for the time being at the William-Mary hotel.

T. E. L. CLASS WILL MEET.

The T. E. L. class of the Lamar Baptist church will have a business and social meeting, Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Talland at 1507 Twenty-fourth street.

SOROSIS CLUB WITH MRS. McGREGOR.

The Sorosis club will have their weekly meeting Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Stanley McGregor on Lucille.

Miss Marguerite Fisher is visiting friends in Fort Worth this week.

Miss Turner Mae Gardner of Corsicana is the guest this week of Mrs. P. J. Lea.

Miss Maurice Franklin, who has been ill throughout the holidays, is reported back in school today.

Miss Garvine Gouch of Lawton, Okla., is the guest this week of Mrs. Augusta South at 900 Lamar street.

Miss Thelma Green, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ebner, left Tuesday for Floydada, where she will open a class in expression.

Mrs. J. A. Hughes left this morning for Lawton, Okla., to visit friends and relatives. She will return in about ten days.

Mrs. W. H. Halton of Denison, mother of Jules Constantine, has returned to her home after a visit in the Constantine home.

Miss Frances Daehner has as her guests Miss Mattie Lou Mehorg of Chillicothe, Robert Stewart of Forreston and Leonard McCrary of Waxahachie.

Miss Adelie Jarrell left Tuesday morning for Mineral Wells, where she will join a house party of Hockaday girls in the Dr. and Mrs. Wagley home, whose daughter, Miss Rena, is a student in the Hockaday school. There will be about five other girls on the house party and many lovely affairs are being planned for them. They will all leave Mineral Wells next week for school.

BRIEFS IN THE DAYS NEWS

STATE.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—The slower pace of business evident in the Dallas federal reserve district in October continued throughout November, reflected particularly in a decline of wholesale and department store distribution, according to the monthly business review of the reserve bank made public today. While both commercial failure statistics and debits to individual incomes also recorded declines, November witnessed further gain in member bank deposits and continued liquidation of bank indebtedness with a strong demand for investments.

AUSTIN, Dec. 30. — Texas' shrine of liberty, San Jacinto battle ground, 21 miles from Houston, where Texas independence was won almost a century ago, is attracting interest throughout the country, according to R. B. Walthall, board of control member, who returned today from a visit to the battle ground.

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Severe damage to tender vegetables in the lower Rio Grande valley and complete loss of 1200 acres of spinach plantings near Austin were among the results of the recent freeze in Texas, the state market and warehouse department announced today in a review of the damage. The summary was prepared by J. A. Hunter, market news specialist.

KERENS, Texas, Dec. 30.—Fire of unknown origin early today destroyed the plant of the Kerens Cotton Oil company and two carloads of coal on the Cotton Belt tracks. The loss is estimated at $30,000.

DENISON, Texas, Dec. 30.—While official figures are not available as to the exact loss sustained in the fire sweeping away half the business area of Pottsboro, eight miles west of here, yesterday, it is still estimated the loss will be above $100,000. Smoldering embers today rendered it impossible to get to the safes to determine what loss by looting might have been sustained by business houses.

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Many schools, especially business colleges, are showing an interest in the state's financial system and accounting methods according to State Comptroller Lon A. Smith, in presenting today the state's financial condition for November.

DENISON, Texas, Dec. 30.—The Denison, Bonham and New Orleans railroad, operating between Bonham, Texas, and Bona, a connection with the M. K. T. railroad five miles east of Denison, was sold at public auction yesterday at Nowalla, Okla., by Byron Bobbitt, master in chancery. Successful bidders were D. M. Penn, C. T. Asperlmier and associates of Bonham.

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—The state fire insurance commission today announced a hearing for Thursday, January 15, to consider changes in certain rate schedules and addition of new schedules.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—A lone, but heavily armed man leaped aboard an east bound Texas and Pacific freight train 10 miles from Fort Worth early today, robbed the trainmen in the caboose and escaped. He held a revolver on the brakeman until the train slowed down. One shot was fired at the conductor. Only a small sum of money was secured.

NACOGDOCHES, Texas, Dec. 30.—Fire believed to have been started by burglars after they robbed the store, early today destroyed the R. H. Fall Merchandising company at Chireno, 20 miles east of here. A sack of goods stolen from the store was found behind a shed near the burning building.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—Suit to throw the Dallas Railway company, which operates all the city street cars, into receivership and to enjoin further collection of the 6 cent fare was filed here today by F. J. Geller. It is plaintiff's second attempt to force the company to return to the pre-war 5-cent car fare, his first suit, filed in 1922, being before the state supreme court.

FOREIGN.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 30.—A dispatch from Orizaba says rioting by tenants there resulted in the death of a sister-in-law of Governor Jara and the wounding of his nephew. The authorities arrested those responsible for the crimes.

LONDON, Dec. 30. — White men and women must revert to garden of Eden costumes if they are to be successful in



Cabaret Carrie says: "The automobile will never be a complete substitute for the horse until it can find its way home."

colonizing tropical countries, according to Professor P. F. Fyson of Berhampore, Bengal.

If the European is to stand tropical temperatures, says the professor, he must get over his idea that the exposure of naked skin is indecent and he must follow the example of the Indians, who wear no clothing above the waist or about the legs and feet.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30.—Manuel C. Teller, charge d'affaires at the Mexican embassy at Washington, has been appointed ambassador to the United States, the foreign office announced last night.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Snake skin designs are the latest in women's hosiery here. They come in various colors, but the most popular is a sort of coffee and milk shade with vertical stripes. Then there is the garter snake stocking, with long yellow stripes and here and there a touch of brown or black.

HARBIN, Manchuria, Dec. 30.—Twelve Eskimos whom the soviet authorities took off Wrangel island and brought to Vladivostok have been detained at the Manchurian frontier by the Chinese authorities. The Eskimos were on their way to Harbin when the soviet officials intended to hand them over to the American consul.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30.—The return to Mexico of the small island of Pichilinque, in the Gulf of California, which has long been used as a coaling station for the American fleet, is expected soon, according to the Mexican foreign office.

Permission to use the island was first given by the mayor of the town of La Paz, nearby, and later confirmed by President Benito Juarez. The Mexican senate, however, never ratified the permission and on this ground the present government bases its contention that Pichilinque should be returned.

DOMESTIC.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—James J. Davis, secretary of labor, who has been investigating immigration systems in South American countries, returned last night. He denied a report that he intended to resign from the cabinet.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The increasing use of home made hootch will greatly increase kidney diseases, Dr. William McNider of the University of North Carolina told delegates to the convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The next 10 years will see more social legislation passed than the last 10, with attention to insurance against illness, old age and unemployment, according to Professor Paul S. Douglas, of Amherst college, who presided at a session today of the American Association for Labor Legislation.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 30.—Fifteen thousand rabbits were killed yesterday in two Colorado counties as the result of rabbit hunt day, declared by Governor Sweet, participated in by 1200 men and boys. Hunters estimated that the day's work would net 2000 tons of rabbit flesh. The rabbits will be shipped to the Sunshine Rescue Mission here for distribution among the needy.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 30—Satisfactory enforcement of the dry law can come only through conjunction of the process of education, training and experience against alcoholic beverages and persistent prosecution of the law's violators, Assistant Secretary Moss of the treasury department declared here last night in a speech before the Louisville Bar association.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Sara A. Starr, prominent socially of New York City and Washington and formerly an active worker for women's rights, was found dead in her bed here yesterday. She came from an old family in Philadelphia and had been a close friend of the family of President McKinley.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Two Illinois Central freight trains crashed in a rear-end collision on the Chicago Junction railway switch tracks today in a fog and J. J. Mische was killed and Edward Shore probably fatally injured. Both were riding the caboose of the forward train.

CHANLEP, Okla., Dec. 30.—While the Lincoln county sheriff's force guarded banks in Stroud, Okla., having been "tipped" that there would be a robbery there, four men today robbed the Farmers National Bank here and escaped with an undetermined amount of loot.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The American embassy at London has been instructed to make representations to the British government against the recent order prohibiting the importation of American potatoes into England and Wales on account of the potato bug.

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Dec. 30.—Milton Holly, retired New York merchant, and a woman believed to be his wife were found dead in an apartment here last night. They appeared to have been poisoned, police said, but whether the poison was self administered could not be determined.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The lawyers who saved Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold, Jr., from the gallows when they pleaded guilty to kidnaping and killing Robert Franks, will receive $150,000 for their services, it became known today.

Clarence Darrow, veteran criminal lawyer, and Benjamin and Walter Bachraen, brothers, share in the fee, though the proportion of division has not been made public.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President Coolidge will approve the plan for rewarding the army world fliers as drafted by the general staff and endorsed by Secretary Weeks, although he had hoped the plan might provide more generous treatment for the aviators.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Dec. 30. — The dirigible Los Angeles took the air today to test the water recovery system which was frozen during a trial flight last week. Commander J. H. Klein, Jr., said that the ship would cruise in this vicinity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. — The civil service commission today certified to the postmaster general that neither Mrs. Elizabeth J. Johnson nor William Lincoln Turner, who were examined September 30, met the minimum requirements for appointment as postmaster at Brownwood, Texas.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—A fleet of 40 government rum chasers headed by five destroyers was dispatched by the coast guard authorities today to patrol nearby waters in a campaign to prevent the landing of New Year's liquor from the 18 schooners and steamers now on rum row.

POLLARD TO BE SPEAKER.

Will Make Principal Address at Laying of School Corner-stone.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 30. — Claude Pollard, Houston attorney, has been selected by Grand Master Guinn Williams of Texas Masonic bodies, to deliver the principal address at the laying of the corner-stone of the South Texas normal college at Kingsville, it was announced here Monday. The corner-stone laying has been postponed from Jan. 5 because of the death of Judge Rudolph Kleberg, prominent south Texas jurist, father of Caesar Kleberg of Kingsville.

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ANCIENT ENEMIES ON WAR PATH

James E. Ferguson and Thomas B. Love are ancient political enemies. Their feud began nine years ago in the city of San Antonio. Love desired to be national committeeman for a term of four years. He had the nomination in his pocket. It was in May of that year that the Ferguson men and the Bailey men captured a state convention. William Poindexter was elected national committeeman. Love said that the Ferguson men and the Bailey men stole the convention and robbed him of the prize.

Every campaign year the faggots are piled high and the feud blazes. All that has happened in the nine by-gone years is ancient history. Now the faggots are ready for another match. Ferguson called two conferences—statewide conferences—for the consideration of the Texas fever tick and how the pest should be handled and for the consideration of the gasoline tax. It was decided that all the people should be taxed to bring about the eradication of the tick and that the gasoline tax should be increased from one cent to three cents a gallon.

Love looked upon these proposals as Ferguson proposals. Now he has called upon good government democrats to rally to his standard, defeat the tick proposition and also the proposal to place a tax of three cents a gallon on gasoline. Love says that he is for the down-trodden farmer and the so-called Ferguson tick and tax proposals will heap additional burdens upon the down trodden farmer.

It appears from the Love proclamation there are between 700,000 and 800,000 motor vehicles, that Texas farmers ride in 400,000 Henry Ford flivvers and that an additional tax of two cents a gallon on gasoline would crush the farmer into the earth. For this reason all good government democrats are implored by Philanthropist Love to go to the rescue of the down-trodden farmer against the impositions that would be imposed in the form of taxes that Philanthropist Ferguson would have the lawmakers heap upon the aforesaid down-trodden.

There is a vast number of tax payers in Texas who insist that those who use the public roads the most should pay the most and this too without a groan. James E. Ferguson is a farmer. He was born on a farm. Thomas B. Love is a farmer. He was born on a farm. When farmers disagree what the devil is the poor non-farming contingent to do?

Really, the lawmakers are the men who must settle the tick proposal. The lawmakers are the men who must settle the gasoline tax proposal. All Texans believe that the tick should go. Most Texans believe that the highways of Texas should be the best in America. A lot of money will be needed to place Texas first in highways; considerable money will be needed to put the fever tick out of existence.

Now what are the lawmakers going to do about it? They are the farmers of laws and they are supposed to provide the revenues. Eradication of the tick is not a political question. A tax on gasoline to provide revenue for road building is not a political question. There are no birds in last year's nests.

What Today Means to You

CAPRICORN

By Mary Blake

During the forenoon the moon is parallel to Uranus, which is a vibration very similar to that of yesterday afternoon. With the majority of people, it is a disturbing influence, and only those who possess great will-power and self-restraint—enabling them to maintain poise and equilibrium in the face of mixed emotions—can derive from the conditions that prevail the benefits and advantages of such aspects. One and all, however, should combat the tendency to magnify difficulties and to act or speak on impulse. The rest of the day is, astrologically speaking, unimportant and the aspects are negative, counselling abstention from anything of a new or radical nature and advising the performance of duties in a customary and conservative manner.

A child born today will be blessed with a good constitution, and will outlive all the ever present dangers of infancy, provided it be carefully nurtured and given wholsome environment. In disposition, it will be studious, intellectual, very well informed, a good reasoner, and a lucid talker. It will be scrupulously honest, very faithful to duty, and will never say anything that it does not mean. It should not marry young, as it will judge people by different standards as it grows older, and this might cause unhappiness.

If today is your birthday, you are musical and artistic, as well as a great reader. You are thorough, practical, and very observing. You have many friends, and are bright, witty and entertaining. In affairs of the heart, you are impulsive and emotional. You need much love and devotion to make you happy and contented.

Your material success will not be achieved along commercial lines, as your heart and soul can never be in drudgery. For the same reason household duties will never appeal to you, owing to their monotony. You have a distinctly artistic temperament, and although practicability and common sense form a considerable part of your mental make-up you can never exercise these qualities at the expense of what you deem to be your mission in life.

You will not sacrifice comfort and ease in order to obtain a business advantage, and are rather selfish and thoughtless in your demands on others who can contribute to your physical needs and requirements.

Successful people born on this date are: Joseph G. Swift, soldier; Pliny Earle, physician; Alexander Winchell, composer; General Tasker Bliss, U. S. A.

More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague

LA BELLE DAME SANS MERCI

"Oh what can ail thee knight at arms
So haggard and so woebegone,
Why do you con so eagerly
You lexicon?

"I met a lady yestere'en—
A peach she was, who said to me,
'What is a large Siberian cat
In letters three?'

"She had a volume in her hand,
And we sat down upon two chairs—
And pored upon a diagram
Of numbered squares.

"We sought and sought for words to fit
That irritating diagram,
But only three or four we found
Were worth a rap.

"We got the old thesaurus out,
We thumbed its pages, one by one—
We toiled for hours but did not get
The darn thing done.

"And now the habit has got me,
My soul with bitter woe is filled,
And I'll go mad, unless I get
Those squares all filled.

"And that is why I sojourn here,
In meditation dour and deep.
Say, what's a thirteen letter word
That means a sheep?"

NO COMMENT NEEDED

We notice that the doctor who says that hard work kills people is now rising seventy.

A BOOST FOR LEARNING

Now that college graduates are going in for heavyweight championships, the financial value of a college education can never again be called into question.

WHERE WAS HIS OBSERVATION?

Funny that Trotsky, who well knew what was Russia's attitude toward czars should have tried to be one himself.

By Dr. Frank Crane

BEING PLEASANT

There are few who realize that the greatest contribution we can make to the world is being pleasant.

For all the other work we do others can be found who can do it quite as well. There is talk of our need of leadership and of our efficiency in business and in other directions of activity. These may be necessary in a way.

But they are nothing to compare with our duty of being pleasant. Pleasantness is like the sunshine. Under its influences all good human qualities develop and an unpleasant person is like a rainy day, rainy and cold. He is what Dickens would have called a "damned, moist, unpleasant body."

A pleasant person improves the atmosphere of a street car. He helps people while away the time in a railway station. He is an encouragement to workers and he is the best means of recreation for those who would play.

If we do not feel pleasure it is our duty to put on an appearance of it, for it is the appearance that counts with others, and putting on a thing may often have a reactionary effect upon ourselves. By deliberately seeming to be pleasant we can come to feel so.

Just as plants need the sunshine, and will only grow spindling in the dark, so human beings need an atmosphere of cheer. It has been noticed in the family that a pleasant person is more appreciated and usually more effective, than those who are glum.

The best adornment of the face is a smile and cheerfulness goes further than beauty. Indeed cheerfulness is one of the chief elements of an attractive face.

The world is hungry for cheer. Everybody wants it. You cannot sell gloom, for every person finds in himself sufficient causes for gloom without getting it from another.

Sub Rosa

By Mimi

WEEKLY LETTER

Dear Girls: The experience I am going to tell you about is not very thrilly, but it goes to prove that I practice what I preach.

I always have harped on the importance of knowing women and making friends with them. The older ones are the very backbone of this country, and as they influence the lives of their sons to a great extent it is most important that they know and like you.

They also make good press agents for the girls who treat them cordially and take time to listen to them.

"Howard," they will say to their young hopeful, after meeting a girl of this kind, "that Jones girl is charming—such manners—such poise—you really ought to call on her."

Well, this is what I did yesterday noon. I attended a luncheon given at the Sound View Golf club by the Great Neck Women's club.

It was a lovely affair. And we had an elaborate lunch, and afterward, a musical program. About one hundred and twenty-five ladies attended. Nothing very thrilling happened. Anywhere in the United States I think the crowd would look and act the same.

Just one little thing created a ripple in the gentle, low-voiced conversation that buzzed about the tables.

One of the very wealthy ladies of our community entered the room in a stunning black and henna gown. In about five minutes, another member of one of our first families entered in exactly the same kind of dress.

It created quite a stir. I felt embarrassed for both of them. I suppose two beautiful dresses are now laid aside, never to be worn again. Such is life. Lots of love.

MIMI.

Have You Been Told?

That Herbert Hoover says that road to national progress lies in increasing real wages through proportionately lower prices?

That he says the one and only way is to improve methods and processes and to eliminate waste which aggregates more than twenty-five billion dollars annually, more than the entire national debt, plus the yearly cost of governmental operation?

That the decision of the United States supreme court last week upholding the validity of the contract provision in the anti-alien land law of California means the final exit of Japanese and other orientals as farmers in the Golden Coast state?

That as a result of the decision sixty thousand Japanese in California must either quit farming all Japanese in California only in the capacity of wage earners?

That despite the decision fifty-six thousand acres of rich farm land owned by Japs born in this country, will be continued to be owned and farmed by Japs with other large holdings which belong to Japanese corporations organized before the alien land law became effective will be worked by Nipponese or their children?

The Crystal Gazers!



Dorothy Dix

No Matter How Much You Want to Help Your Family After Marriage, It Is Unfair to Make Your Husband or Wife Pay For Your Generosity.

There is nothing more difficult for a man and woman to do than to draw a just line between their duty to their families, and to their husbands and wives. Take the case of a man who has been the mainstay of his own people. Perhaps his father died when he was a small boy. Perhaps the father is just one of the weak, shiftless sort who can never make a living. At any rate, the burden of the family fell on the man's shoulders while he was still a mere lad, and he has taken care of his parents and educated his brothers and sisters.

He has looked out for all the others so long that they have ceased to notice that he does it, and have come to feel that it is his business in life to support them. They are so accustomed to dipping into his pocketbook that they have forgotten that it is not their own. And, somehow, they have established such a claim upon the man that he himself has come to feel that he is responsible for them, and must grant all their demands upon him.

Then suddenly the man meets a girl with whom he falls in love. He gets married, and then he finds that the only way he can continue to play the role of beneficent providence to his family is by sacrificing his wife to them.

For it is a certainty that you cannot spend the same dollar for two things.

If he supplies mother with a flivver, wife must walk. If he keeps the boys in college, wife must live in a cheap, rented house, instead of buying the pretty bungalow upon which her heart is set. If he continues the girls' allowance so that they will not have to go to work, the wife must do all her cooking and washing and ironing and baby tending to pay the bills.

What shall the man do in such circumstances? Go on giving his money to his family, and force his wife to do without the things that she might have? Deny his children the advantages he might give them if his income went only to the upkeep of his own home? Or shall he realize that his own household has the first claim upon him, and withdraw his support from his parasitic family and leave it to shift for itself?

With a woman the question is even more difficult of decision, because family affection is generally stronger in a woman than it is in a man, and because family needs tug more at a woman's heartstrings than they do at a man's.

Yet the money that she gives to her family is money that her husband earns by toil and sweat, and she robs him when she helps them.

Take the case of a woman who is married to a man who loves her, who is generous to her, and who cannot endure to see her troubled and worried about anything he can help. The husband is hard-working and thrifty, one of the men who would pile up a tidy little fortune that would make him comfortable and carefree in his old age if he could invest his savings.

But there are no savings because his wife spends it all on her family.

Father is always in debt and borrowing money that he never pays back. Mother is forever having to have a new winter suit or a new set of teeth. A wild young brother gets into trouble and has to be paid out. Sally has to have a commercial course to enable her to make a living. There's an operation for this one. A trousseau for another. Baby clothes. A thousand things that call for money.

Many a man spends the balance of his life after he marries toiling to support his wife's family, just as many a woman is sold into slavery to her husband's people on her wedding day. And it isn't fair. It isn't right. It isn't giving the poor victim a square deal.

It is beside the question for a man to say, "How can I support my wife in luxury when my family needs so many things?" When Johnny needs to have his teeth straightened, and Susie's voice needs training, and Tom is worried to death over business and needs some help so badly?"

Or for a woman to say, "How can I live in plenty and see my family want? How can I buy a new dress for myself, when, if Lily had some pretty clothes, she could make a good match? How can I put money in the savings bank when Tom needs to have his tonsils taken out, and a summer at the seashore would restore Jenny to health?"

It is also beside the question that a man and woman are willing to sacrifice themselves on the family altar. They have no right to offer up also their husbands and wives who have no desire whatever to be sacrificial goats for their in-laws, and who bleat most earnestly against it.

When people marry they take upon themselves new responsibilities that take precedence over the old ones. They form new ties that are more binding than the old ones. They assume duties that are paramount to every other duty in the world, and their first obligation is to this new allegiance. A man's wife and children should come before all else to him. He should look out for their welfare first, just as a woman's duty to her husband and her new home comes before all else.

And no man has a right to deny his wife the things that are rightfully hers for the sake of giving to his family, just as no woman has a right to keep her husband poor by making him support her family.

The very thing that it may be generous and unselfish for a man and woman to do before marriage often becomes, after marriage, a cruel and bitter injustice to those who have a paramount claim upon them.

DOROTHY DIX.

HOW IT STARTED

A "POSY"

This term for a flower, a bouquet, a posegay, is used today only in jocular vein with the implication usually, that it is an amorous token. There was a time, however, when it was a serious word, and etymologically speaking it is correct English in good standing.

"Posy" is a contraction of the old "poesy," now archaic, which named a loving sentiment or motto, such as the words inscribed on the inside of a ring. Since a gift of flowers from a man to a maid frequently was accompanied by such a "poesy" the term came to cover the blooms also and ultimately was applied to them independently of any written message.

"Poesy" has gone out, but we have the half-slang "posy" in its place.

POEMS THAT LIVE

FATE.

The sky is clouded, the rocks are bare,
The storm of the tempest is white in air,
The winds are out with waves at play,
And I shall not tempt the sea today.

The trail is narrow, the wood is dim,
The panther clings to the aching limb,
And the lion's whelps are abroad at play,
And I shall not join in the chase today.

But the ship sailed safely over the sea,
And the hunters came from the chase in glee,
And the town that was builded upon a rock
Was swallow'd up in the earthquake shock.

—FRANCIS BERT HARTE.

MONKS ARE DRAWN OUT

Auto Horns, Radio, Telephone and Lights Too Much for Fathers.

MUNICH.—The whirl of modern life, exemplified by automobile horns, radio, telephones and electric lights, is getting too much for the Trappist monks of Banz. Despairing of seclusion in their present monastery near Bamberg, they will soon withdraw to remote part of the Bavarian mountains.

Several sites are under consideration, one of them a mountain top where once stood a baronial castle. Here it is felt that the penitential and silent days of the Trappist brothers could be passed without disturbance.

NEW RADIO STATION

Japs to Put Up Powerful Broadcasting Apparatus in Yap.

TOKIO.—In accordance with the American-Japanese wireless agreement covering the island of Yap, one of the Caroline islands in the Pacific now under Japanese mandate, the Japanese army proposes to erect a high-power radio station on the island next year at a cost of 1,500,000.

This decision is, incidentally, to forestall American action along the same line. The Yap agreement provides that if Japan fails to provide adequate radio facilities on Yap, the United States shall have the right to erect a radio station there.

Pantomime

—By J. H. Striebel



Uncommon Sense

By JOHN BLAKE

Sponges

The money borrower is the most amiable of sponges.

Lend him a sum which he will have trouble in paying back, and you will be rid of him.

He will probably not forget you, but you can easily forget him. And if he has taught you to be a little more careful with your earnings, he has really done you a favor.

The vicious sponge is the assistance borrower, the sponge who is forever depending on others to do some of his work for him, and who never by any chance will repay the borrowed labor.

He is to be found everywhere, particularly in offices or shops where many people are employed together.

We have said he, but we could have said she with as much truth. For the young woman sponge is, if anything, a trifle more common than the young man sponge.

Just now we have in mind a girl whose job was to attend the telephone in an office where ten or fifteen other girls were employed.

Each of these had her own work, and to leave it ten or fifteen minutes meant working that much later at night.

Yet Miss Telephone was forever running out of the office to buy a fresh lip stick, or to get a glass of milk, or to see Billy on the corner about a dance engagement.

And always one of her good-natured associates seemed willing to attend to the telephone for her while she was gone.

She managed in this way to borrow about an hour or an hour and a half a day from the other girls—time which she had no intention of repaying, and could not have repaid if she had wanted to.

There are one or two people like that in every business organization, and to call them sponges is really euphuistic, for "thieves" would be more descriptive.

The clerk who will not take the trouble to master a complicated problem for himself but who takes up the time of another clerk for help is an example.

Another example is the employee who leaves his work half done at night, knowing that some one will have to work overtime to complete it.

The fact that these people never get anywhere does not lessen the annoyance they cause to others.

But, taken by and large, this is a good-natured world and always there are to be found in it people who will help to carry the loads of others—sometimes good-naturedly, sometimes complainingly, but always carrying the loads.

It is really the fault of these people that sponges exist, as it is the fault of society that burglars ply their trade.

If people kept their valuables carefully locked up, there would be no burglars. If they refused to help the sponges, the sponges would soon help themselves, as the alternative to starving to death.

Helping others in the work they ought to do is mistaken kindness, as well as nuisance. Unless people are really in trouble they require no help, and are more injured than benefited when they receive it.

Gleanings From the Book of Life

Beginning of a Series on Proverbs.

We are usually the best men when we are in the worst health.

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However early you get up you cannot hasten the dawn.

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Nothing is easier than to cheat an honest man.

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He who knows he does not know is never a fool.

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These are Spanish proverbs.

The proverbs of a nation crystallize its national temperament and popular habits of thought. They are an epitome of its wisdom.

For some days this column will be devoted to the presentation of the proverbs of the various countries and peoples. Today the maxims are Spanish:

Lock your door so that you may keep your neighbor honest.

Three helping one another will do as much as six men singly.

He who says much must be right sometimes.

The imagination easily sees what it desires.

To reply to an evil word by another taunt is like trying to clean off dirt with mud.

If you are vexed or angry you will have two troubles instead of one.

He who has drunk his fill soon turns his back on the fountain.

He will never worship well the image on the altar who knew it when it was a trunk of wood in the garden.

We have the most to fear from fortune when we have the largest handful of her.

Beware of risking much if he who gives advice is a poor man.

Even in hell one finds companionship.

A wall between best preserves friendship.

There is a remedy for everything but death.

The creditor always has a better memory than the debtor.

To make excuses before they are needed is to blame oneself.

If you would know the worth of a ducat, go and borrow one.

1925 To Be Dry, Say Savants As They Study Sun

Polar Prominences Found to Be Frequent, Presaging Drouth

LONDON.—The year 1925 will be the driest the universe has experienced this century, an official of the British Meteorological Department told The Associated Press in explaining a new discovery which departmental experts have made and which, it is declared, enables them to pick out the wet and dry years to come.

Sir. Swithin will have 12 months of large scale unemployment after Christmas, the department has emphatically predicted, and the drouth to come will not only dry up these soggy islands, but extend to the rest of the world.

Result of Study.

The statement was made after much study on the part of weather scientists and as the result of the discovery that a close connection exists between rainfall, particularly in Great Britain, and the frequency of solar prominences. The latter are explained to be the tongues of flaming gas that dart out from the sun's surface, sometimes to a height of 250,000 miles and at a speed of more than 150 miles an hour.

Experts have spent three years studying the relation of this phenomenon with the fall of rain and have learned that the interval between the dates when these giant fireworks are most active has grown progressively shorter during the last half century, while the periodicity of wet years in England has shown a corresponding change. The mathematical curves indicate a relationship that is too definite to be overlooked, say the department chiefs.

Is Nothing New.

The relatively is nothing new. It was noticed about 1865, and for the next 25 years, every fifth year in England was wet, the other four being dry or normal. All this time the solar prominences were appearing regularly and normally. At the end of the 25 years the flames appeared oftener and continued to appear at regular periods for 20 years, when every third year was wet. From 1910 to 1921 the flames were more active and alternate years were wet and dry.

DICTIONARY A BEST SELLER

One Publisher Is Booked As Far Ahead As November, 1925.

BOSTON — A Boston publishing house reports the usual output of ten thousand dictionaries a year has grown to a monthly production of that number and increased day and night forces fail to keep pace with the demand because of the cross word puzzle craze. For the small desk size the company has booked orders as far ahead as November, 1925.

SHOE SALES INCREASE

More Soles Reported, Net Income Greater Despite Price Cut.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—Net sales of the International Shoe Co., of St. Louis, in the year ending last November 30, were $110,240,651.27, a net gain of $817,913 over the previous year, despite a reduction in prices this year amounting to approximately $5,000,000, says the annual report made public today.

Correct this sentence: "Honestly," said she, "my ankles are not a bit cold."

Xmas Mail Early Plan Fails Here

The extended "mail early" campaign put on before Christmas didn't get over.

At least, the urgent request made to "send your presents early and avoid the rush," didn't make the grade in Wichita Falls.

"That mail early proposition was a failure as far as we're concerned," ruefully smiled Assistant Postmaster Lon Howard, Monday.

"It was worse this year than last, and we're still delivering a few Christmas packages this afternoon."

Through posters and newspaper articles, the public was asked long before Christmas day to post its gifts early in order to avoid congestion at the post office. But in Wichita Falls December 22 and 23 146,000 pieces were run through the cancelling machine, according to Mr. Howard. That figure is nearly quadruple the average daily run during the year. In two ordinary days approximately 40,000 pieces of mail are handled by the Wichita Falls office, said Mr. Howard.

"Yes, we're still delivering a few Christmas packages this afternoon, but that's nothing. We have a number which will never be delivered," continued the assistant postmaster.

"Why?"

"Many of them are not addressed, and others are wrapped too poorly to go through the mails," and then he pointed out a stack of Christmas presents some not labelled whatsoever as to destination, and others untidy masses because of inefficient wrapping.

But one mail delivery was made in Wichita Falls Christmas day. When the postal employees knocked off more than 500 sacks of parcel post sent by the late mailers had accumulated and couldn't be delivered that day, and about 20,000 pieces of first class mail were held over until the following day.

IRISH SEEK WATER POWER

Free State to Harness Rivers For Commercial Purposes

DUBLIN.—In addition to the project for harnessing the river Shannon for the generation of electrical power for the Free State, which has been entrusted to a German firm, plans have been placed before the Free State parliament for the utilization of the river Liffey, which runs through Dublin.

Objection has been made on the ground that the plans under contemplation would result in spoiling the famous salmon leap at Leixlip and the falls of Poulaphuca, both beauty spots. At Poulaphuca 5,000 acres would be flooded and eight square miles of county Wicklow would be submerged. The destruction of scenery aspect, however, has not greatly impressed the parliamentary committee.

NEW ERA, SAYS HUGHES

Predicts Age of "Scientific International Co-operation."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—A new era "of international cooperation in the scientific field" which cannot fail to "add strength to the influences which make for better understandings between peoples," was forecast by Secretary Hughes, in an address tonight before the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mr. Hughes based his statement on reports which, he said, revealed that the United States, England, Japan, Australia, Canada and several European countries had taken definite steps towards encouraging and supporting scientific investigation as well as towards helping to create international scientific agencies.

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HOW TO BUILD YOUR HOME WALLS RIGHT

By the Architects' Small House Service Bureau of the United States, Inc.

Outside walls of solid masonry are sometimes built with air spaces in them as in the tile wall. Or the solid brick wall may have these spaces included. There are various ways to do this so that cold and moisture will not penetrate. When these air-spaces do not exist in the wall itself, it is necessary for us to devise an air space between the plaster and the wall. We do this by putting strips against the masonry and nailing the lath to these. Plaster is then applied. Such a wall will be warm and dry. If it is built of good materials and good workmen are employed, it will last a long time and will not give you any trouble. Depreciation will be low.

Building a Masonry Wall

Think of brick and tile walls as a multitude of small blocks piled one upon the other. If the blocks overlap each other properly you have greater strength. Bonding is the name we give to this overlapping. It must go back into the wall as well as along the face of it. That is one of the first principles of masonry wall building. If the mason does not forget that the square and plumb are his important instruments you will have another principle well observed, and then if the blocks are cemented together with a mortar generously made and skilfully applied you will have durability and strength.

But one thing more. The block itself—what about that? A well burned clay unit, be it tile or brick, is something like a mass of immature glass. It has temper as far from that of a poorly burned product as Damascus steel is from pot metal. The better the temper the stronger it will be.

Masonry Wall 3,000 Years Old

The old Babylonian kings turned out tiles and bricks, some of which have resisted the onslaught of 30 centuries, but we can do a better job of brick making today for we have learned the secret of it. You don't have to build your walls of pot metal bricks and tiles for there is plenty of the sound material.

We have come a long way in the building of walls since the cave man first learned to daub mud around reeds and the branches of trees. He built a temporary wall. When it rained it probably did not trouble him much to have a thin trickle of mud insinuating itself down his spinal column. Tight walls and roof did not mean much to him. Since that day we have learned how to build many kinds of walls—stone, brick, wood, tile, concrete—and we have learned that every one of them must be built with understanding to get the protection our dollars are intended to buy. It is easy to think of a stone wall as the strongest wall that can be built, but this is not necessarily true. Everything depends on the stone and the workmanship, just as it does with other materials used in wall building.

Do you remember how some great English sea fighter spoke of the "wooden walls of England"? He was telling about sea power—the protection of the "tight little island," and the emphasis was not on wood but on walls.

Build your walls soundly, whatever material you use, to protect your own tight little island.

This is the last of three articles appearing in this column on "How to Build Walls."

COMPACT PLAN FOR BUNGALOW OF HOLLOW TILE



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Plan No. 4B16.

ALTHOUGH this is considered a four room plan, provision is made for a dining room which also will add its space to the living room, and so reach a maximum of usefulness. A little windowed nook for the breakfast table will be of added convenience to this home.

The style really is American. In it may be seen the influence of the English and Italian small home builders, but the plan scheme and especially the porch are typically American.

This particular form of small home architecture has met with so much favor, more particularly in the mountain states and the far west, that we believe our readers will be much interested in it. The plan is an old favorite. Such a fortunate combination of fine exterior and practical plan is not always realized.

Bedrooms are of good size, well lighted and ventilated, and altogether this house is an extremely livable one for the amount of space required.

The design is quite distinctive with the side entrance to the porch and rails of wrought iron.

Designed for a Narrow Lot

The bungalow is stucco on hollow tile, or common brick walls. The basement walls are concrete. The roof is tile. Casement windows are used. If preferred, this house can be built of brick walls and shingle roof.

The house can be placed on a narrow lot, 35 foot frontage. It is planned to face east or south, but may be reversed for other facings.

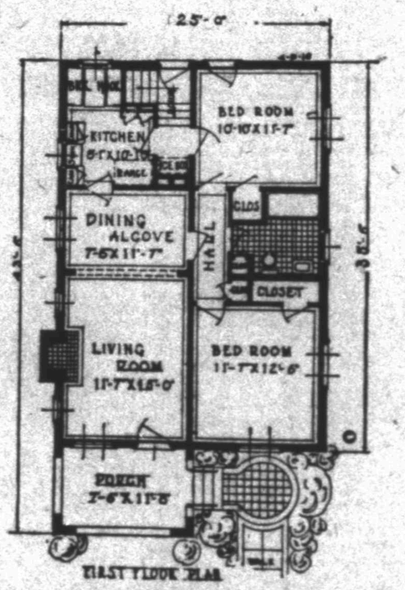
The basement is only partially excavated, but provides for laundry, heater and fuel rooms. Attic space is accessible through a scuttle placed in the ceiling of the rear bedroom closet.

There is a large wardrobe closet in the front bedroom, a closet in the rear bedroom, linen shelves in the bath, and also a hall closet. There are shelves over the icebox in the rear entry.

The Cost to Build This Home

Here is a home, compact in plan, of pleasing design, that will look well in any neighborhood. It can be built in most every locality, and is adaptable to practically all regional conditions.

The cost to build this house, including heating, plumbing, lighting, painting, ready to live in, but not including wall decorations, should range between $7,000 and $8,000. In certain localities where costs are high, the highest figure quoted would be more than sufficient. The range of $1,000 is given to cover differences in the way the house is built and how thoroughly it is equipped and completed.



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Q—In the pile of floor joists just delivered for my new house there are a number that are warped. Should these not be sent back?

A—It is natural for timbers to warp when they dry out or season. They are straightened by the sheathing or subflooring. Unless they are very much twisted it is satisfactory to use them in your building.

Q—Is this a good time to build? Will prices be lower this summer?

A—Undoubtedly there will be price recessions in some materials and kinds of labor and advances in others. Authorities disagree as to what the net increase or decrease will be. In any event, it seems improbable that there will be much change.

Q—What would you consider a good job of wood lathing?

A—Good lath to start with without bark or pitchy knots to stain the plaster and not too dry. Lath should be nailed to each stud and offset every seventh lath. There should be at least one-quarter inch clear space between lath on the walls and three-quarters inch space on the ceilings. Metal corner beads and reinforcements of metal lath should be used at critical places.

Q—We plan to spend $7,500 for our home, but some of our friends who started out with the same intentions paid about $1,500 more for extras. How can we be sure that our total expenditure will not run up this way before we start?

A—There is just one way and that is to be absolutely sure what you want before you have the contractor start, and be sure that all the things you are going to require are included in the contract. This means complete plans and specifications. After your house is started you can almost never change the plan without running into extra expenses. You will have extras if you use a hit or miss plan gotten up by someone who is not an expert in house designing and specification drawing.

Q—If you have outside walls of masonry can the inside girders be of wood?

A—Some cities require for this construction inside walls of masonry or else steel girders supported by metal columns. The purpose of this is to obtain equal settlement at each end of the floor joist.

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Dirt, Disease and Work
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To Mr. Dempsey, Luxurist

Idleness Killed All Champions

It May End Your Career, Jack

DEAR MR. DEMPSEY:

It is not the purpose of this communication to complain in any way about your general scheme of life, but we would call your attention to the indisputable fact that idleness has killed more champions than blows from an opponent—not at all, you understand, in the sense of physical demise, but as a source of ending their careers. It has occurred to me to sense the danger of your situation and to say something about it. People are talking about it and as a friend of yours I am alarmed.

Harking back to the distant past, we recall that all of the champions have failed through sources that could be traced to luxurious habits, not necessarily of a vicious nature, but yet luxurious to the degree that said champions were taken out of the beaten path that should be trodden by a real champion—the path of rectitude, of pentitude, submerging one's self into the general cleanliness that athletes are called upon to observe.

Loses Title to Corbett

There came first the mighty John L. Sullivan, first man who under the Queensberry code made the five-ounce glove a prominent weapon of war. John at one time was a wonderful man of parts and the fear of him made him a terror in all paths that fighters sought. But he sagged away. Even in his salad days, when he was looked upon as unbeatable, he had a terrible time with a man who wasn't really great—Jake Kilrain—and couldn't whip a middleweight—Charles Mitchell—with the bare knuckles in France in an encounter that really should have been easy for him.

He lost his title to a bank clerk of no physical attainments—James J. Corbett—but a man who outsmarted him by having followed a lowly and discriminating life, if not of the godly at least of the righteous. You see, Sullivan died athletically of what might be called dry rot. His was the life of ease because he was not called upon, through adulation of his vast following, to be anything else.

Corbett adopted similar lines in a different manner. He was luxurious, but his had some meaning. James was out to make money, but his yearn was for the stage end of it. He fought when called upon, didn't care for liquor much, but he stepped fast among fast steppers. Without particularly notable physical attainments, as already noted, he did wonders. We'll pass that over and say that Jim was a notable exception.

Came next the freak Fitzsimmons, not an intellectual giant but a whale of a man physically, an abnormality, who had the underpinning of a lightweight but the torso and back of a 200-pounder. His was the fighting instinct, but with a strong inclination for the idling life. His passion was diamonds and an oversmart style of dressing for his immediate people. Tricky, crafty, with a wizardry for hitting that was almost unbeatable. Yet, he, too, sagged.

Jeffries Beats Fitzsimmons

Jim Jeffries, son of an itinerant gospel preacher in Ohio, and who later got religion and said he, too, would preach, stepped into the picture soon after. He caught the fading and rather threadbare Fitz in an unwary moment and whipped him to a frazzle. Just another case of too much luxuriant style of play.

Jeffries liked the bright lights, the smooth ways of the hero worshiper and the adulation of those who frequented his Los Angeles shop of drinking. Already huge and terror inspiring, he became bigger and finally announced that he wished no more of the fighting game.

During the interim of his reign there came Marvin Hart of Louisville and Tommy Burns of Canada, to whom Jeffries, too busy with idleness to think of fighting, gladly assented to get into their possession the big title. Jack Root and Jack O'Brien also were present, but they were not taken seriously.

Burns was the real titleholder and so regarded, and he was a luxuriant. He affected tall hats in the daytime and other articles of raiment that were not being toted in the best families of the day. Jack Johnson, a formidable negro, took the trail and chased Burns first to Europe and then to Australia, where the luxuriant Burns was cornered and asked the then unheard of price of $30,000 to do battle with the black. He was given it and, cornered, he lost his title to the American negro.

Of Johnson little need be said. He came back to America and there was an immediate demand for Jeffries to come out of retirement and teach the black fellow a lesson. Pressure of public opinion and a huge price proved Jeffries' undoing. He consented to fight, was too flabby to stand training and was soundly thrashed by the negro.

Jess Willard Comes to Front

Johnson fell into difficulties and they picked up the best big white man they could find to whip him. Jess Willard did it in Cuba and was accepted as a real champion. He wasn't. He had no mental acumen, no balance of a physical nature, fell into the sloppy ways of the circus with which he got a big daily wage and when you met him he was unfit, untrained, a big bulk with little idea of what the whole thing meant.

You came to Toledo, a fresh, able young man, thoroughly trained and desperate. We freely predicted you would win because we knew something of the Willard unskill and his loose habits. You won, all right, just as we thought you would.

But here's something your friends and you must think of. In almost every important fight of your career you have been in a lot of trouble. You even started out with trouble at Toledo. You really knocked him out in the first round, but through miserable handling of the bell Willard got a second chance, and had he been a game man he might have ruined the very dickens. Luckily for you, he wasn't.

You had a lot of trouble with Bill Brennan in New York. He had you pretty well sobered in the early stages. Georges Carpentier almost did things to you in Jersey City and left the ring with all the honors under peculiar circumstances.

Luis Firpo, a big hulk of scant fighting intelligence, raised a riot with you, and then Tom Gibbons stuck 15 rounds with you in Shelby, Mont., in a fight that did not redound much to your credit. You beat him, and that's all.

Idleness Kills Off Many

We know something of the temptations that beset all champions— the irregularity of the food, the breakfasts in bed, the sly telephone, the Chinese brocaded dressing gowns, the $10 socks, all business matters thought out for you, all personal affairs arranged second handedly, the obsession of pleasure, more so now than at any other champion's stage because of the trend of the times, keenness for entertainment, utter lack of mental training outside of your profession, and very little of it in your profession—the whole thing is bed. On top of that is your prohibitive price for fighting.

Pardon us for the repetition, but idleness has killed off more champions than opponents' blows. Don't let the superman stuff that is printed about you get up into your brain too deeply. No man is a superman. Everybody who stalks this earth is a human being. And that is why we fear that the next man who fights you, big or little, will surely beat you. Sincerely,

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Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30, 1924.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS BILLED

Monte and Jackie to Settle Feud for All Time, Says Former

Once more young Duke Trammel, Fort Worth welterweight mitten-mauler, is prepared to make another flash across the local fistic firmament so to speak.

Dukey, the lad who by his knock-'em-dead slugging tactics has enacted a meteoric rise from the four-round curtain raiser tasks to main events in Wichita Falls ring circles in little more than 12 months, who has gained a host of friends, also a number of enemies amongst Spudder fandom, comes back tonight for a 12-round tussle with Roughhouse Smith of McAlister.

Duke Has Cold

Dukum returns with hopes of obliterating a draw decision received in a bout here several weeks back with Smith. That fight was of the slam-bang variety. Each boxer scored heavily on the other, and on several occasions each was on the verge of scoring a kayo. But Duke declared after that memorable scrap that he was stale, and not in the condition he is wont to show when in the squared arena. Now he's back again, in fine fettle, hampered a bit by a cold, but rearing to get at his antagonist.

Both boxers drove in yesterday, Smith arriving during the morning, and Trammel showing up in the early afternoon.

Smith believes that he will wage a better fight this time. He, too, was not pleased with that draw verdict, so he's back to eradicate that mark from his fistic escutcheon. Since his last appearance here, Smith's most notable accomplishment was the scoring of a knockout over the well-known Harmon Kid Rich, formerly of this city. Rich also received a broken jaw from the sleep-producing punch.

Monte Huffed Up

Just as great an attraction as the final bout tonight is the semi-windup of ten rounds billed between Wildcat Monte and Jackie Sanders, Wichita Falls featherweights.

This pair will attempt to erase a grudge which has been fermenting for the past several weeks. Monte, especially, seems riled up and desirous of doing battle. Yesterday he declared that he intended to beat Sanders all over the ring, and that if he failed to make a good job of it there he expected to finish it up in the dressing room, or anywhere that he could corner his opponent.

Jack Sullivan of Snyder will meet Roughhouse Clark of Wichita Falls in a four-round heavyweight attraction. A knockout is expected in the scrap.

There will be a negro battle royal.

JOHNSON AFTER OAKLAND CLUB

Conferences Going on With View to Purchase of Coast League Team

ANNARBOR, Mich., Dec. 30.—(AP)—A conference was held here late today, Darrell O. Pratt, former Detroit American infielder said tonight, regarding the proposed plan for renewing negotiations by Walter Johnson, Washington American pitcher, for the purchase of the Oakland, Calif., club of the Pacific Coast League.

Pratt refused to say with whom he conferred but admitted they were two men from out of town. He said the conference which in the interest of "getting conditions back where they were when Johnson held an option" on the Oakland club some weeks ago.

As far as is known, R. T. Dobson, Sr., wealthy Ann Arbor resident, who virtually admitted today he was interested in the deal, did not attend the conference but his son, R. T. Dobson, Jr., had a long talk with Pratt following the latter's conversation with the men from out of town.

FOHL SEEKS YOUNGSTERS.

Red Sox Boss "Restores Youth Without Gland Operations."

Lee Fohl, philosophical manager of the Red Sox, is going to furnish fandom with an interesting little one-act drama this year entitled "Restoring Youth Without Gland Operations." He plans to perform the trick by getting rid of all his old ball players and hiring young ones. Steve O'Neill and Howard Shank have departed. Jack Quinn, Bill Piercy and two or three others will follow. Joe Harris may be one of the others.

PIERCE ARROW STAGE LINE

Lv. Wichita	8	p. m.
Lv. Electra	9	p. m.
Lv. Vernon	10	p. m.
Lv. Chillicothe	11	p. m.
Ar. Quanah	12	mid
Lv. Quanah	9	a. m.
Lv. Chillicothe	10	a. m.
Lv. Vernon	11	a. m.
Lv. Electra	12	noon
Ar. Wichita Falls	1	p. m.

Cars Leave Office
519 Eighth St.

COACHES VOTE TO BAR MOVIES IN FOOTBALL

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Condemning as "unethical practice," the use of still or motion pictures in coaching or scouting of an intercollegiate football team, the National Collegiate Athletic Association today adopted a resolution forbidding the use of such modern adjuncts to gridiron science in the 230 colleges under its jurisdiction and at the same time adopted a resolution ordering a sweeping investigation of summer baseball activities of intercollegiate players.

Branding the practice of the use of "movies" as a deliberate violation of the spirit of college football and contending that if such a practice was allowed to grow, football would be relegated into a business institution instead of a sport and a football game would become a contest between coaches instead of between players, the association unanimously adopted a resolution by J. P. Richardson, of Dartmouth, barring the use of slow or fast films in either coaching or scouting.

The summer baseball issue was not discussed but the resolution authorized the executive committee to appoint a committee to investigate this practice with the idea of curtailing it.

Famous last words: "If I wish to keep my (canine) friends, that's my business."

BEN AND MICKEY TALK REAL MEAN

Benny Leonard is saying slighting things about Mickey Walker. The latter is making numerous belittling references to the greatness of the lightweight champion.

"Sterrible!

Something ought to be don.. to stop it.

For they're heading right for a scrap.

In fact, that is probably why the mean talk is being dished out very cleverly by both kings.

Once before these two champions were slated to get together in a match for the welterweight title, held by Walker and wanted by Benjamin. Benny took on Pal Moran as a trial horse in a battle in Cleveland and forgot to tell his right thumb to behave itself. He bent it on Pal's chin and that was enough to cause the postponement of the battle with Walker.

Benny went back to his stage and Walker proceeded to duck a battle with Dave Shade, foremost of the challengers for his crown.

Now, the time is ripe to start talk of pulling off that battle between Leonard and Walker. And what could make it go over bigger than the general belief that it is to be a grudge fight for B-L-U-D.

They're off. Watch 'em.

Australia punishes those who don't vote. Here they get punished either way.

Whaddaya Mean, A Happy New Year!



Zachary Saves The Citadel

Baseball's Last-Ditch Rallies

Speaking of comebacks, Warren Curly Ogden, of Ogden, Pa., is just back from a hunting trip in the Nevada Rockies. This is the same Curly that started the 1924 season and the season before that as a member of the Athletics' hurling corps.

He ended the last season a member of the World's Champion Washingtons. He toed the slab as the starting pitcher in the seventh and greatest World Series game. As a member of the World's Champs, Curly was richly entitled to track the sportive grizzlies.

Ogden, sole big league representative of the Swarthmore clan, had a fine major league debut in 1922, right off the Garnett campus. The following year he had trouble with his pitching arm. In spite of parting with his standard equipment tonsils, his good right arm didn't suit the tall tactician this last year, and he was sold to Washington.

What made Curly a comeback was that the deal with Washington was a "waiver-price" sale. The Athletics had asked for waivers. Washington put in a claim. If some big league club hadn't decided to gamble on Curly, he would have been out of the majors.

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The wisdom of Washington's move was soon apparent. Curly began winning game after game. Though he joined the Senators in mid-season, he marked up nine victories to his credit in the course of Bucky Harris' triumphant drive to the gonfalon.

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Zach's Comeback

A comeback's selection of his favorite comeback means more than other votes.

"In my opinion," writes Ogden, "the case of Tom Zachary, of Washington, is the greatest example of coming back I ever saw.

"Zachary started the season and was rarely used the first six weeks. In fact, the papers overlooked him entirely as a prospective winner. But in spite of hostile criticism by the fans and the scribes, he won fifteen ball games before the close of the season and two World Series victories. At all times he pitched good smart baseball.

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"Zachary, I think, was a real hero of the World Series. Greatest money pitcher in the league today. Clean, honest and intelligent, baseball should be proud of Tom Zachary's type."

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Nearly a Macklet

James Thompson Zachary is his name. Genealogically a "tar-heel," that is, a native of North Carolina, the gaunt southpaw joined Washington in the spring of 1919, a free agent.

There's a true legend of how he nearly enlisted with the Athletics. He reported at Shibe Park during 1918, the war year, and pitched a game for Connie's inspection. He showed promise, much promise, but there was no telling how the war was going to break.

No telling whether it would last six months or six years. In other words, the A's weren't hiring any new men. Zach had his name and address taken, and was told he would be sent for if there was a job for him at any time.

That much is truth. There are several versions of the story of how he came to switch allegiance. The snappiest tale asserts that he got a letter to report to the Athletics at their 1919 spring training camp, which was Shibe Park.

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En route, he met up with some Washington players, and either was talked into reporting to Griffith or kidnapped. Anyhow, when he did finally arrive at Shibe Park, a month later, he was wearing a Washington uniform.

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Jezebel Tecumseh

Used to be a great old catcher named Malachi Jedediah Kittredge.

Until the World Series spotlight focused upon Zachary, a lot of folks were under the notion that Zach's name was just as fancy. "Jezebel Tecumseh" Zachary was the way he had been written up on a hundred sporting pages.

It came about thus. As a shy recruit, he had signed his contract "J. T. Zachary." Managers care little about the front names of their rookies. "Lefty" or "Slim" or "Red" will do if the last name is not handy. So one Washington scribe, writing a piece about the lank lefthander one evening, could find nobody who knew more about Zach's name than the initials.

Therefore the scribe, Denman Thompson, did the next best thing. He supplied the missing letters and "Jezebel Tecumseh" was created. The name stuck, being much more colorful than "James Thompson," although the latter was a big leaguer in the history of English poetry.

Zach's World Series story was second only to that of Johnson for thrills. He won the second game after Johnson lost the first. Washington went into the sixth game on the short end of the 3-to-2 standing in games won and lost.

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The tarheel southpaw, scorned by fans and scribes in May, had saved the city and won for Walter Johnson the chance to come back.

BOXING

AMERICAN LEGION

Wednesday, December 31, Wichita Theatre
(New Year's Eve)

DUKE TRAMEL
(FORT WORTH)
—VS.—
ROUGHHOUSE SMITH
(McALISTER)
12 ROUNDS

Wildcat Monte vs. Jackie Sanders
Semi Final—Ten Rounds

BATTLE ROYAL

Tickets at Wolff Bros. Cigar Store, Miller Drug Store and Wichita Theatre

Thrift Terrors Wind Up 1924 Grid Season

Claims Laid to North Texas Independent Football Honors

THRIFT, Texas, Dec. 30.—The Thrift Terrors wound up their football season Sunday losing a 7 to 6 decision to the Northwestern All-Stars of Oklahoma. The Terrors were forced to play a very light line-up due to the absence of five of their first string athletes.

Although handicapped the Terrors presented to the fair crowd on hand to watch the game a strong machine-like offense and scored a touchdown inside of the first seven minutes of play. After that the Oklahomans stiffened, and the Texas semi-pros couldn't get across again.

Short Pass Leads To Loss.

Most of the second half play was in mid-field until toward the last a Northwestern end soared a short forward pass and ran the ball to the five-yard line. From there on the fourth attempt, Carson plunged across the goal line. Try for extra point was made, giving the visitors the winning margin.

The past season was the second in which the Terrors participated. In 1923 this team tied three games, won one, and lost three. This year they played 14 games, won 11, tied one, and lost two. On the strength of this record, the Terrors lay claims to the championship of independent elevens in north Texas.

Montgomery Stars.

One of the outstanding players with the Terrors this year was Coach Montgomery of the Wichita Falls Junior high school. This athlete showed himself to be one of the greatest broken field runners in this section at least.

The season record of the Terrors is:

Terrors, 6; Hastings, Okla., 0.
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Terrors, 7; Oklahoma All-Stars, 6.
Terrors, 6; Childress, Texas, (Panhandle champs), 0.
Terrors, 6; Breckenridge, Texas, 7.
Terrors, 13; Temple Indians, Okla., 0.
Terrors, 0; Breckenridge, Texas, 0.
Terrors, 20; Lawton Indians, Ok., 0.
Terrors, 20; Healdton Bulldogs, Okla., 7.
Terrors, 0; Frederick All-Stars, Okla., 0.
Terrors, 33; Lawton Indians, Okla., 0.
Terrors, 46; Fort Sill Army, Ok., 0.
Terrors 40; Devol All-Stars, Ok., 12.
Terrors, 6; Northwestern All-Stars, Okla., 7.

Total, Terrors 220; opponents total 39.

Top O' Morn Stuff

Trammel has a cold, but he declares it's not in his lip or lower extremities.

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The stockyards mauler arrived yesterday primed to lead Roughhouse Smith to the abattoir.

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There'll be no killing floor in mine, averred Smitty, but real New Year's felicitations. And my New Year's greeting will be in true Marquis of Queensbury style, an osculatory smack with padded leather.

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Seems that somebody is due to watch the New Year in from a horizontal position.

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Wildcat Monte's wearing Argentine tango trousers these days. Doesn't mean he has anything in common with that other pugilistic gent who really comes from the South American country.

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OPTIMISTIC ALL RIGHT.

"What's the New Year got in store for the Spudders, Mr. Harvey?" we asked the baseball mogul yesterday.

"Hope we can win the Dixie series!" R. O. replied.

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Drake to Try Comeback.

Logan Drake, the clever Spud slab artist who was forced to have the index finger on his twirling hand chopped off due to blood poison the past summer, writes in to declare that he's coming back to the Spudder fold regardless.

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LOOKING BACKWARD.
By Dr. Extrucius J. Bohrer.
Crosswords.

The year of 1924 was a singularly active one among the devotees of this ancient Etruscan sport. In fact, no other sport, either outdoor or indoor, staged such a phenomenal growth in popular favor.

It is safe to say that the dictionary athletes of 1923 if placed side by side would hardly reach from the library table to the front door. As the old year of '24 dwindles to its final seconds the crossworders of our favorite nation are as the sands of the sea.

Whether the next Olympic games will contain a crossword event is, at the present writing, conjectural. Suffice it to say that in many of our larger communities teams are being organized for intramural competition, and a National league of crossword clowns is no phantasmic chimera.

Historically the sport of crosswords is a direct descendant of little Willie's spelling blocks. The child is father to the man, as Shakespeare so well puts it; this, however, not explaining why so many of the other, or ruling, sex have become adepts at finding the missing letters.

No national championship was awarded this year, but undoubtedly before another anniversary anniverses we shall have a crossword king or queen, as the case may be. Harvard and Yale have already recognized crosswords as a minor sport, and a crossword court is included in the plans for the new municipal stadium.

The court will have padded walls and a window screen of thick iron bars. The uniform, which will soon become the official garb of the crossword athlete, consisted of a one-piece straitjacket.

DON'T MISS

Playing with Fire
The Story of a Social Climber
by Lucille Van Slyke

The Story of a Country School-Ma'am With Great Ambitions.

This Tale of Her Struggles and Her Triumphs, How she won wealth, position and finally love.

Will Have a Tremendous Appeal to Everyone

READ IT IN THE

RECORD NEWS

Beginning January 5

Allies Menacing Dawes Plan With Refusal to Move

Says Evacuation of Cologne Area Necessary for Success of Project

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Failure of the Dawes plan for the rehabilitation of Germany was predicted today by Foreign Minister Gustave E. Stresemann unless the allies withdrew their troops from Cologne. The minister made the statement to the foreign newspaper correspondents.

"If the allies remain in the Cologne pone without endeavoring to compromise or find a possible solution for later simultaneous evacuation of the Ruhr and Cologne, that it will mean complete bankruptcy of the conciliatory policy which led to acceptance of the Dawes plan," he said.

Stresemann then spiritedly declared that if troops remained in Cologne it meant "bottomless disillusion for the German people and will drive them into the hands of the extremists."

Make Fools of Us.

"Allied troops staying on in Cologne make fools of us all, including myself, who fought bitterly for acceptance of the Dawes plan," he continued. "We welcome the full text of the report of the military control commission. We do not want excerpts and generalities. Come out with it. Give us all the findings; we have nothing to fear. We want the truth and clarity."

"The entire policy of pacifying Europe is gravely endangered," continued Stresemann. "It is tragic that we who trusted should succumb in a battle against distrust. The Cologne policy seriously hampers the execution of the Dawes program. If the allies decide to negotiate, I thing we can find a solution. But any peremptory orders from the allies will achieve the contrary."

TEXAS CIRCULATORS MEET.

They Discuss Proposed Increase in Mail Rates in Meeting at Dallas.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—Arch B. Harris, circulation manager of the Dallas Times Herald, was elected vice president and H. E. Murphree of Houston secretary-treasurer. Galveston was named for the 1925 convention to be held September 21.

Proposed increase of postal rates on mail of the second class was discussed at the meeting and M. W. Flore of the Dallas News and Harold Hough of the Fort Worth Star Telegram were appointed to work out a plan for handling the papers by express and automobile in case of postage increase. The plan suggested at the meeting was to establish four experimental distributing depots in central locations and to send the papers from those centers to surrounding territory. An agency in each town would handle the papers for subscribers who would call at the agency instead of the postoffice.

NOTORIOUS BANDIT SLAIN

One Who Killed New Orleans Officer Shot in Mobile, Ala.

MOBIAE, Ala., Dec. 30.—A man known as "W. E. Wright," slain here today by Mobile police officers, was identified as the robber of the Marine and Trust Company bank at New Orleans December 24, last, and the slayer of Police Officer Jacob Uhle of that city, by William Friess, manager of the bank, here today.

"Wright" was shot and killed in a pistol fight with officers at the Louisville & Nashville depot after he had seriously wounded Charles Perrer, special agent of the L. & N. and Patrolman Walter Pistole of the Mobile police force. Gibby Wilcox, a detective, shot the bandit as he ran along the fruit wharf.

HE ASSAILS THE BONUS.

New York Man Wants Supreme Court to Pass on Constitutionality.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The supreme court was asked today by Benjamin Catchings of New York City to compel the courts of the District of Columbia to pass upon the constitutionality of the bonus.

His attack is based on the ground that the bonus insurance is "a mere bonus gift and not a provision for the payment of a moral, legal or equitable debt of the United States;" that it is class legislation; that it proposes activities outside the implied powers of the federal government; and that it was a "waste and diversion of public funds and revenues."

FT. WORTH BOY KILLED.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—Raleigh Johnson, 15, was killed yesterday when the automobile in which he and three brothers were going to school hit another machine.

Color Cut-Outs

BEOWULF

(A Viking Tale)

Adapted for boys and girls from the great English epic. Adaption by Taves Maxwell.



6. Beowulf Lands

(Drawing: Beowulf Costume)

In a goodly ship of oak Beowulf and his thanes left the shores of Geatland and took the ocean-paths to come unto the land of Hrothgar. Much costly war harness and many sturdy swords they carried and a mariner most skillful.

After a short and easy passage the mariner headed in the ship until its planking touched the sandy beach of the country of King Hrothgar. 'Twas there a coast warden of this sorrowful king did see them and seeing them, went forward to find their business.

Beowulf spoke to the coast warden and told him that the Geatmen came only on peaceful purpose to good Hrothgar and wished to obtain leave of this king to fight the monster, Grendel.

Right gladly did the warden pass them by, instructing them whither to go and assuring them he would watch their fair ship. The Geatmen, under Beowulf, then marched on toward the palace of the king.

(Tomorrow the king and Beowulf meet.)

MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN



A Time Saver.

One Mother Says:

I never throw away good strong buttonholes, because I can use them again on the children's clothes. From worn-out garments I cut the strips of good buttonholes with enough of the material attached to allow for a seam. These I can often sew onto little garments where I have cut off the ones that are worn-out. Buttonholes on ready-made clothes so frequently stretch and tear, requiring replacing.

MAN JAILED FOR FRAUD.

Illinois Postmaster Alleged to Have Fleeced Woman of $2,800.

CARBONDALE, Ill., Dec. 30.—James L. Parks, for seven years postmaster here during the Wilson administration and formerly prominent in democratic party circles, has been arrested in Miami, Fla., charged with defrauding Miss May C. Llewellyn, a Chicago school teacher, of $2,800, according to word received here today.

A letter to his wife, who lives at Hebron, Ind., asking what she thought their children wanted for Christmas was intercepted by officers and led to the arrest.

Dot Puzzle



DUMB DORA —By Chic Young



"THE NEBBS" Happy New Year! —By Sol Hess



BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG Just to Keep Sparky From Getting Homesick —By Billy de Beck



"REG'LAR FELLERS" We'll Say It Is —By Gene Byrnes



YOU KNOW ME AL The Adventures Of Jack Keefe —By Ring Lardner



Read About The Good Chances Shown Here To Own A Good Used Car

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We will not assume responsibility for more than one incorrect insertion. When your ad first appears, check it for any possible errors.

All discontinuance orders must be made in writing.

Daily Close

Copy for Classified Ads must be in this office before 6 o'clock p. m. on the day previous to their appearance to be properly classified.

Sunday Close

Classified ads for Sunday editions accepted up to 7 p. m. Saturday previous to publication.

Ring 4121

Before 5:30 P. M.

and we will send, within a reasonable distance of the office for your want ad.

When messenger calls, give him your ad and make payment on above rates.

CARD OF THANKS

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To the readers of the Record News: I wish to thank the ladies of the Ku Klux Klan for their great kindness during my recent sorrow, when my daughter, Mrs. O'Neale, was burned to death. I especially thank them for the beautiful flowers and for Santa Claus visiting the orphan children at the klan Christmas tree. My prayers and blessings are with those ladies who are doing some wonderful work. R. O. Andrews and Family.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Large black brass bound suit case between Wichita Falls and Bowie on Dec. 22. Return to Atlantic Oil Producing Co., 313 City National Bank building. Reward.

LOST—Or strayed, black cow with rope around horns. Phone 4222.

LOST DOG—Boston Screw Tail Bull license 1923 No. 11. Brindle color, with harness. Finder return to 1710 Monroe. Receive reward.

NURSERY

MOTHER'S care for children. Mrs. Lily Rogers 1005 Tenth St. Phone 4218.

HELP WANTED MALE OR FEMALE

WOULD YOU

like to take your business training in a home institution, owned and operated by home people? Where the management is interested in your personal welfare, while in school and after you get a position? Where new and modern equipment is at your service? Where only the most up-to-date text books are used? Where the class rooms and rest rooms are kept clean and sanitary? Where the morale of the school will please the most fastidious? Where each student is taught as though we thught only one? If so, then attend YOUR HOME SCHOOL.

CLINE'S COMMERCIAL COLLEGE
910-12 Ohio Avenue
Wichita Falls, Texas

How to get a Position

In business and and how to hold it is fully explained in our "Money Back" position contract. Position secured or tuition refunded, if you take the "World Famous" Draughon training—the training that business men indorse. Write today for special holiday rate.

DRAUGHON'S COLLEGE
The Big School
Wichita Falls, Texas; 10th and Scott

MALE HELP WANTED

WANTED—Colored boy for waiter. Must be well experienced. 706 Lamar.

SALESMEN, district managers. 60 per cent commission; 125 varieties highest grade brushes. Exclusive territory. Box 124, Sta. A, Hartford, Conn.

WANTED—A good camp cook. Must be experienced. Top wages for man that can handle camp. Nicely equipped with from 80 to 100 men. Report in person at Swift's Wholesale House, 1208 Ohio avenue between 9 and 11 a. m. Can't deliver, don't report.

OPPORTUNITY

We need help of two reliable men for increasing sales work. Experience unnecessary. Good pay from start. Permanent work. See Mr. Walker, 618 Staley, 3 to 6 p. m.

HELP WANTED FEMALE

SECRETARY, stenographer, bookkeeper to act as office manager, established growing financial institution. Education, diplomacy, experience required. Must give references, state minimum salary first letter. Address Box A-120 Record News.

SITUATIONS WANTED FEMALE

YOUNG lady attending Cline's commercial college wants place to work in home for room and board. Phone 7330.

EXPERIENCED and competent young lady stenographer wants employment, temporary or permanent. Phone 5302.

WANTED—Place to earn board by young lady attending school. Phone Draughon's college 5626 or 4383.

THIMBLE THEATRE — A Clever Weather Prophet — By Segar



SITUATIONS WANTED MALE

WANTED — Carpenter work of any kind. No job too large or too small. J. B. Ferrat. Phone 5044.

SALESMEN WANTED

TWO SALESMEN—Opportunity for educated, refined, experienced producers with growing home company. Banking rooms, Morgan Bldg. Phone 5721.

PERSONAL

DR. ELMA M. GILL, spiritualist readings on all affairs of life. 700 Lamar. Phone 6203.

ROOMS FOR RENT

NICELY furnished room for one or two gentlemen; convenient to bath and phone; rent reasonable. 1709 Tenth.

NICELY furnished bedroom close in. Meals if desired. Phone 6101.

ROOM for rent; kitchen and dining room privilege for ladies; also garage —1406 Scott; phone 2086.

FURNISHED room for rent January 1st, in new house, new furniture, private entrance and adjoining bath. To working couple or two ladies. Located three doors from college campus. Call 2004—Jones—after 6 p. m.

HILLSIDE HOTEL, all outside rooms, also room in rear suitable for two gentlemen, with plenty of car space. 709 Burnett. Phone 7727.

NICE front bedroom. Phone 5545. 1709 Elizabeth.

FRONT bed room, nicely furnished, private entrance, close in. Phone 7875. 905 Ninth.

HILLSIDE HOTEL, all outside rooms, also room in rear suitable for two gentlemen, with plenty of car space. 709 Burnett. Phone 7757.

ROOMS with bath; two blocks from Kemp hotel. 706 Travis.

ROOM AND BOARD

NICE room with meals; close in; every convenience—1104 Scott; phone 3443.

ROOM and board in private home on pavement, car line, telephone, all conveniences—2006 Ninth.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms on pavement one block of car line—300 Burnett; phone 6023.

OFFICES FOR RENT.

WATER heater burst? Welding will fix it. Phone 5234. Reeves.

HOUSES FOR RENT

THREE-ROOM furnished house, 2512 Pennsylvania, $25. W. E. Haworth, 815 Scott, phone 2583.

FOUR-ROOM modern furnished house and garage—709 Van Buren, $55 per month. Phone 2583.

1613 KEMP, five rooms and garage, pavement, $35.

1301 Marshall, five large rooms and breakfast room and garage, $35.

2141 Avenue E, five rooms, no garage, $45.

1910 Eighth, new duplex apartments, private bath and garage, $55.

1804 Buchanan, unusually good duplex apartment, $60.

H. G. HELGERSON. PHONE 2373

APARTMENTS FOR RENT.

ONE new 4 room unfurnished apartment with breakfast room, and private bath, on pavement one block from car line, close in. Price $50. Phone 7144.

WANTED TO RENT

WANTED at Once—Two or three housekeeping rooms close in. Answer Box E-303 and will call to see rooms.

WANT TO RENT desk space in conveniently located office for real estate business. Address Box B427, care Record News.

WANTED—Room and board in private home, where party will care for 6 year old child during day, by mother, employed. Box 10, Record News.

SPECIAL NOTICE

WHY worry over busted faucets? Phone 5234. We will weld it. W. B. Reeves.

WILL Marcel in your home. $1.00. Phone 3809.

OLD MATTRESSES made new. Phone 2412 and sample ticking will be brought to your door. One day service on work. Bell Mattress Co.

MATTRESSES RENOVATED. Prices reasonable. Wichita Mattress Co. Phone 4032.

OLD MATTRESSES made new. Phone 2412 and sample ticking will be brought to your door. One day service on work. Bell Mattress Co.

MATTRESS RENOVATING. We make old mattresses new and new ones too. We call for and deliver same day. Patton Mattress & Furniture Co., phone 2930.

PRACTICAL house moving, raising and leveling. Jack Humphrey. Residence phone 1965.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Apples 50c Per Bushel

These apples have been partly frozen, they are all right if used at once. Large supply of Irish spuds. 1003 OHIO—PHONE 3692

DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY

I have rented the Dressmaking department in Miss Ingham's shop and will do exclusive dressmaking and designing, also remodeling and alterations, tailored pockets and buttonholes. Mrs. Albitz, 709 Indiana, Wood Shoe store Phone 3878.

CONTRACTING & REPAIRING

A. C. KING
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Wichita Falls Council No. 140 R. & S. M.—Stated meeting first Monday night of each month at 7:30 p. m.
Ed Bunnenberg
T. I. M.
W. J. Webb
Rec.

Wichita Falls Commandery No. 50—Stated conclave first and third Thursdays of each month.
JAMES S. BAUHMAN,
E. C.
W. J. WEBB,
Rec.
Installation of officers for the ensuing year, 7:30 p. m.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 636 A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings first and third Friday nights in each month.
J. W. Lyle, W. M.
W. J. Webb, Sec'y.
Instructions in the E. A. degree Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 29th, 30th and 31st, 7:00 p. m. Instruction in the masters degree Friday, Jan. 2nd, 7:00 p. m.

Wichita Falls Council No. 1470 K. of C.—Meets each Monday at 8 p. m. 1309 9th St.
C. E. WALSH, G. S.
212-14 Morgan Bldg.
CLEM GALLAGHER,
800 Harrison.
F. S.

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W. J. WEBB, Sec'y.

Faith Lodge No. 1158, A. F. & A. M. Stated meeting the first and third Tuesday nights of each month. Visitors cordially invited to attend. 813 Scott street.
FAITH LODGE No. 1158 A. F. & A. M. will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree Friday, Jan. 2, 7:30 p. m. W. B. Baldwin, J. W., in charge.
Stated meeting and examinations Tuesday, Jan. 6th, 7:30 p. m.
THOS. R. WYNN, W. M.,
G. W. CURD, Sec'y.

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MRS. MARGARET BRADLEY, Phone 5766.
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MRS. NENA FAITH MULNIX, Sec'y.
Phone 2628.
Wichita Falls assembly No. 17, Order of the Rainbow for girls, sponsored by the Wichita Falls Chapter No. 237, meets second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Masonic Temple, Miss Margaret Coleman, worthy advisor; Miss Dorothy Coleman, secretary.

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A. L. ELLIS, Recorder.

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.
THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Wichita County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. L. Abernathy and J. J. Connell by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 78th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 78th judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the 78th district court of Wichita county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Wichita Falls, Texas, on the 1st Monday in March, A. D. 1925, the same being the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1925, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of May, A. D. 1924, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 15658-B, wherein W. J. Green is plaintiff, and J. L. Abernathy and J. J. Connell are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendants are jointly interested in an oil and gas lease located in Wichita county, Texas, containing about 50 acres of land located on the property of Mrs. Grace Jennings near Electra in said county. That the plaintiff, for the defendants, has drilled thereon and operated thereon and has paid the expenses thereof, which were due by the defendants, in the sum of $4,466.77. That the same are just, reasonable, due and unpaid and are proper charges against the interests of said defendants in said property, and they agreed expressly and impliedly to repay the plaintiff all expenses he incurred in the drilling and operation of said property and agreed to repay the plaintiff the items above set out. That in addition thereto, as shown by the item of $2,000.00 on January 31, 1923, that plaintiff sold to the defendants an 80-acre oil and gas lease located in Archer county, Texas, on what is known as the Edwards ranch and the defendants agreed to pay plaintiff therefor the sum of $2,000.00; that no part thereof has been paid, that the same is long past due. That said defendants have failed and refused to pay said plaintiff. Plaintiff prays that citation be had upon said defendants and upon hearing for a judgment for his debt, principal and interest, for costs of suit, etc.

Herein fail not but have before said court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Wichita Falls, Texas, on this the 26th day of December, A. D. 1924. (SEAL)
A. F. KERR, Clerk.
District court, Wichita Co., Texas.
By Eunice Jackson, Deputy.

CITATION.
THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Wichita County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Wichita county, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To all persons interested in the welfare of Marie S. Huper, a girl, 27 months old and Wilhelmina, a girl, 3 months old, know ye that Ella C. Huper was by the county court of Wichita county, Texas, on the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1924, duly appointed temporary guardian of the persons and estates of said minors, which appointment will be made permanent unless the same shall be successfully contested at the next term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D., 1925, the same being the 2nd day of February, A. D., 1925, at the court house thereof, in Wichita Falls, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said minors may appear and contest such appointment if they so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the said fir[st] day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Wichita Falls, Texas, this the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1924.
(Seal) ALMA Y. MILLER, Clerk
By M. F. YEAGER, Deputy.

Find Buried Granite Mountain Range In South Texas; Discovery May Cause Revision Of Geology Of That Area

Extends From Llano Uplift To Point Near Corpus Christi; Says Geologist

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 30.—A ledge of granite found in Wilson county is about to prove the existence of a range of buried mountains extending from Llano Uplift in Llano and Burnett counties southeast, to the Gulf coast of Corpus Christi, the presence of which was first advanced as a hypothetical theory by Capt. J. Turley, geologist.

Incidentally, if the presence of the mountains is finally proved, it will upset all the petroleum geology in a dozen of the most important counties of south Texas that are due to get a big play during the coming year. Captain Turley advanced his theory four years ago. Other geologists of south Texas scoffed at the idea. A ledge of granite near the surface of the ground seems to substantiate Turley who has left south Texas and is out of the oil business.

Dips and fault lines and supposed structures traced out by geologists must be worked over on a new theory if the mountains are there and furthermore it is claimed that chances of oil over a considerably larger area are greatly enhanced if the mountains are really there and located according to theory.

Personals

Harry Hathcox, Chester Bailes and Mack Rice returned early yesterday morning from a deer hunting trip to Mason county, south-central Texas. The party reports an excellent trip, being gone from Friday to Tuesday, with one buck their game.

Harry B. Hines returned yesterday from a holiday trip to Kansas City, where he visited relatives. Mr. Hines was accompanied by Mrs. Hines and daughter Martha.

Ray-Massie

Carey District.

Ray and Massie have lately added two nice producers to their Hassler lease in the Carey district, south Archer county, these being their Nos. 9 and 12, both completed in the usual 1,100-foot sand for better than 100 barrels apiece.

No. 12 was an east offset to the No. 4, located in the southwest corner of the lease, and offset to the west and south by Texhoma and Humble dry holes.

Nos. 10 and 11 are starting up on the south line of the lease, No. 11 a location east of No. 12 and No. 10 a location east of No. 11.

South Vernon.

Ray and Massie's No. 4, a south offset to Winnipeg Oil company's No. 4, Bond-Hawkins-Williams, in section 100, H&TCRR survey, block 14, South Vernon, was drilling last night at 1,880 feet after completing a fishing job at 1,800 feet. No. 5 is drilling at about 800 feet.

Texas Gas Sales

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 30.—Texhoma Oil and Refining company sold 1,200,814 gallons of gasoline during November, on which it paid the state one-cent tax amounting to 12,008.14, remitted to the treasury Tuesday.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 30.—Major oil companies of Texas paid into the state treasury $309,528 in November as gasoline tax, a report of the state comptroller shows. The largest sum was received from the Gulf Refining company, which produced 10,177,462 gallons of gasoline and paid a tax of $101,774.

Wortham, 65,563 Barrels

FT. WORTH, Texas, Dec. 30.—Wortham did 65,563 barrels from 17 wells to 7 a. m. Tuesday as against 57,434 barrels from 15 completions Monday.

Eight wells are drilling in but none were completed early this afternoon. E. L. Smith Oil company's No. 1 Edwards made 1,028 barrels through one-inch choker, 17 per cent basic sediment.

Rain fell Monday but the amount was negligible and many wells are shut down because of water shortage.

Wells-Guiberson

Wells and Guiberson were drilling again last night on their No. 2 Wharton, section 99, H&TCRR block 14, after being shut down for water over several days, depth given as past 1,900 feet. It is expected to complete this well within the next few days, should there be no further mishaps.

No. 3 will be a location north of No. 1, a west offset to their Bridwell and Heydrick No. 2, Dill, producer in the 1,200-foot sand.

South Vernon, Stephens

The South Vernon Oil company's No. 4, Stephens, south offset to the Bridwell and Heydrick lease, section 83, South Vernon, is reported to have made several flows yesterday from four feet of sand encountered at 1,949 feet and drilled four feet. This well is being drilled in with cable tools.

Prairie, Montague

The Prairie Pipeline company is reported to have made connections with the Texas company's No. 1, Gist, north Montague county producer and to be taking the oil from that well.

BRIDWELL-HEYDRICK DILL.

Bridwell and Heydrick's No. 2, Dill, located 300 feet north of the No. 1, in section 84, H&TCRR survey, block 14, Wilbarger county, was reported last night flowing by heads, at times to the top of the derrick, from sand at 1,266-75 feet, and showing for 200 to 300 barrel well at least.

Completion of a producer here from this stratum, in which gas is found nearby will shed an entirely new light on part of this lease and the Wells-Guiberson lease to the west, which had been generally considered getting too far to the north to be valuable.

PETROLEUM PRODUCERS.

Petroleum Producers were setting casing yesterday at 1,108 feet on their No. 1, Hausler, located in the northwest corner of their Hausler lease, Thomas McCoy survey, Carey district, south Archer county.

Drill Permits

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 29.—Wichita county led in oil well locations filed with the oil and gas bureau Monday, following the holidays. Most of the wells were started during Christmas week, and before the notices of location were received. Wells listed were:

Simms Oil Co., 5 Parrish, Archer, Dec. 21; 1,600.

Simms Oil Co., 1 Rogers, Freestone, Dec. 21; 3,000.

R. R. Robertson, 3 McCarthy, Wichita, Dec. 23; 500.

Hobbs, Chenault and Burleson, 4 Wilson, Archer, Dec. 27; 2,000.

T. F. Hunter, 2 Callen, Wichita, Dec. 27; 500.

J. L. Elliott, 13 McFall, Wichita, Dec. 26; 500.

R. V. Tidwell, Tr., 1 Bibble, Young, Jan. 1; 2,800.

L. B. Tannehill, 2 Palm, Blind Asylum land, Shackelford, Dec. 20, 1,000

M. M. Silberman, 4 Jennings, Wichita, Dec. 27; 900.

Swastika Oil Syndicate, 3 Neal, Archer, Dec. 19; 1,150.

Stovall Oil & Gas Co., 1 Brooks, Shackelford, Dec. 9; 1,000.

Ruff and Weekley, 1 Waggoner, Wilbarger, Dec. 29; 2,100.

J. L. Art, 2 Terhune, Wichita, Dec. 25; 500.

Winnipeg, Bond et al

Winnipeg Oil company's No. 4, Bond-Hawkins and Williams, southwest corner of the northeast ten acres of section 100 will bail this morning in sand at 2,000 to 2,016 feet. This will make Winnipeg Oil company's fourth 2,000-foot horizon producer.

Texhoma, Burnett

The Texhoma Oil and Refining company's No. 11-B, Burnett, SA&M GRR survey, abstract 271, south of Fowlkes Station, Wichita county, is setting casing at 1,856 feet to test a sand found there.

Panhandle-Knight-Hines

The Panhandle Refining company and Knight and Hines (Consolidated Oil company) are starting up again today on their Ragle, Davis and Beardon leases, after being shut down over the holidays and cold weather. Five strings of tools will be started running.

Casinghead Plant

Waite Phillips is building a new thirteen unit absorption plant near Wetumka, Okla., with a total investment of nearly $2,000,000, it is said. The plant will be one of the largest of its kind in the United States. Its capacity will be 30,000 gallons of gasoline a day.

Stroud Decline

The Stroud field, at one time making more than 30,000 barrels a day, is reported declining at a rapid rate, it dropping 748 barrels during the past week to a total of 2,640 barrels a day from 66 wells. This is an average of about 40 barrels to the well.

The Day In Washington

The senate adjourned until Friday noon.

The house decided to limit its holiday adjournment to one day—Thursday.

The house naval committee decided upon an investigation into the needs of the navy.

The house passed the treasury-post office supply bill carrying the peace time record amount of $763,000,000.

President Coolidge was said to be hopeful that another international naval disarmament conference could be held within another year.

The state department directed the American embassy at London to make presentations to the British government against the potato embargo.

President Coolidge was declared to see no occasion for action by the American government in the French war debt situation on the basis of present advices.

SOLOMON, BARNUM RIGHT

San Antonio Merchant Learns New Trick From Con Man.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—Charles E. Hummell, San Antonio merchant, is now convinced that Solomon was right when he said there is nothing new under the sun.

Hummell paid over $6,500 in negotiable bonds and cash for a "new" invention only to learn from police that he had been made the victim of the oldest trick of the bunco artist.

According to detectives, the merchant was told a glittering story of quick money and drew his savings from a bank, turning it over to a gang of clever confidence men who disappeared without delivering the "money machine."

CONFERENCE IMPORTANT.

Allied Finance Commissioners Meeting May Bring Big Results.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The conference of allied finance ministers here next week with James A. Logan, Jr., American representative of the reparation commission, is expected by close observers to be a far more important event than the original agenda indicated.

The conference, it is understood, will be called upon not only to establish a basis for sharing the proceeds of the Dawes reparation plan, but will be asked to revise the percentages of distribution of reparations among the allies as fixed at Spa.

GINNING BILL PASSED.

Smith's Measure to Identify Ginners Goes Through Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The bill of Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, to require the director of the census to include in the cotton ginning reports the names of the owners of ginneries with the quantity of cotton ginned at each ginnery was passed today by the senate without objection.

A considerable number have recognized the Soviet government, including some of the Russian people.

Cotton

NEW YORK COTTON.
Cotton futures closed steady.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	24.44	24.13	24.16	24.43
March	24.85	24.45	24.51-54	24.82
May	25.16	24.78	24.83-86	25.14
July	25.25	24.81	24.97	25.24
Oct.	24.38	24.05	24.12-13	24.41

Opening: January 24.40; March 24.85; May 24.14; July 25.20; October 24.37.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. — The cotton market was lower today under liquidation by recent buyers, local selling promoted by large figures on the world's crop and reports of beneficial rains in the southwest. March contracts broke to 24.45, or 37 points net lower and 70 points below the high level of yesterday morning, closing at 24.50. The general market closed steady at net declines of 27 to 32 points.

The opening was steady at a decline of 1 to 4 points under overnight selling orders, which seemed to have been attracted by the easier ruling late yesterday. These initial offerings were quickly absorbed, but slight bulges met pressure and the market soon turned easier under liquidation. Rallies of several points occurred at midday on a flurry of covering, but reactionary sentiment appeared to be gaining ground and the lowest prices were touched in the late trading when January sold at 24.13 and May at 24.78 or 30 to 38 points net lower on the general list.

Reports that incomplete returns to the department of agriculture indicated a world's crop in excess to 23,000,000 bales, or the largest for nine years, appeared to attract considerable bearish comment, and the rains in the southwest were considered favorable for the coming crop. Otherwise no special feature was mentioned in connection with the decline, local brokers attributing part of the selling to liquidation by recent buyers owing to the failure of the demand to broaden above the 25¼ cent level for May and July contracts yesterday, combined with a disposition to even up accounts pending early new year developments.

Exports today 63,817, making 4,272,255 so far this season. Port receipts 61,378. U. S. port stocks 1,586,066.

NEW YORK COTTON SURVEY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Cotton was reactionary today on the local belief that the recent advance would bring out the actual rather freely in the south. Selling of October on rain reports in the eastern and western belts had a more or less unsettling effect on the general list. Worth Street reported quite but cheerfully anticipating a big influx of buyers of goods in January. After the turn of the year the question of acreage will come more to the fore, but the question of rainfall in the western belt will also prove a big factor for the moment. We advise confining purchases to periods of easiness.—Fenner and Beane to Flowerree and Co.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
Cotton futures closed steady at net decline of 21 to 35 points.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	24.85	24.30	24.35-36	24.56
March	24.79	24.34	24.43-45	24.73
May	25.05	24.64	24.72-73	25.03
July	25.10	24.68	24.75	25.09
Oct.	24.17	23.70	23.78-79	24.13

Opening: January 24.69; March 24.74; May 25.04; July 25.10; October 24.17.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—The cotton market was reactionary today and although the opening was steady at a slight advance, liquidation was soon in evidence and prices eased off gradually all day, the rallies whenever the selling let up being comparatively narrow. Prices reached the low points of the day in the late afternoon when March traded at 24.34 or 45 points down from the early high and 38 points below the previous close. A slight rally in the last moments of trading cut the net loss for the day on that month down to 29 points.

At the start the market was steady and prices were disposed to improve, first trades showing gains of 2 to 9 points. The initial transactions proved to be the high points of the day with March at 24.79, May at 25.05 and July at 25.10. The market then started to decline under selling pressure which kept up intermittently all day and the low points being reached in the late afternoon when January traded at 24.30, May at 24.64, and July 24.68, or 45 to 52 points down from the highs. There was a slight rally in the final trading mainly in near positions and the close showed net losses for the day of 21 to 35 points, distant mont[hs] show[ing] the greatest losses.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON SURVEY

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—Traders in cotton were more in a mood to cash their profits than to take on new commitments over the holidays and prices slipped twenty to thirty points. Estimate from the department of agriculture that world's cotton crop will be about 23,300,000 bales this year furnished the incentive for most of the selling. Rains in east Texas and over central and eastern belt, probably affected sentiment some. The bulk of the increase in this year's world crops is due to larger American crops. India is expected to increase its production and also Egypt. In the meantime the spinners of the world are increasing their consumption of American cotton due to the high prices prevailing for foreign growths and the export movement shows no let up. Spot advices from the interior are also favorable. We believe the underlying influences are bullish and that reactions will prove temporary.—Fenner and Beane to Flowerree and Co.

NEW ORLEANS SPOTS

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—Spot cotton quiet, 25 points down. Sales on the spot 328; to arrive none. Low middling 28.85; middling 24.35; good middling 24.85; receipts 10,641; stock 545,379.

LOCAL SPOTS.

Spot cotton suffered a loss of about thirty points Tuesday, due mostly to year-end liquidation infutures. Prices for middling in local markets ranged from 23.65 to 23.75 for middling.

TEXAS SPOTS

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—Spot cotton 23.75. Houston 24.45; Galveston 24.40.

CHICAGO COTTON.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Heavy profit taking today put considerable pressure on cotton and the market was weak in consequence commission houses were fair buyers. Closing prices in the cotton market were January 24.37; March 24.62; May 24.90

LIVERPOOL SPOTS

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 30. — Cotton spot quiet, prices steady. Strictly good middling 14.50; good middling 14.15; strictly middling 13.95; middling 13.65; strictly low middling 13.35; low middling 12.95; strictly good ordinary 12.55; good ordinary 11.95; sales 5,000 bales, including 3,500 American; receipts 46,000 bales, including 35,300 American.

NEW BOOM FOR COOLIDGE.

His 1928 Campaign Is Launched in Omaha Debate.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 30.—The first boom for President Coolidge in 1928 was launched today by Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, in a speech prepared for delivery here before the Nebraska State Bar association.

It was launched in a constitutional argument to show that the president would not then be running for a third term, a question which had its last public discussion during the candidacy of Theodore Roosevelt in 1912.

Mr. Shaw's argument was that under the constitution a president can only be elected; that a vice president, although taking on the duties of the presidential office always remains vice president and that while through the death or disability of a president a vice president may become president de facto, under the constitution he never becomes president de jure except by election.

KOCH'S MOTHER DEAD.

Quanah Editor Hears of Loss in Holland.

QUANAH, Dec. 30.—Harry Koch, owner and editor of the Quanah Tribune-Chief, has received a cablegram from Holland advising of the sudden death of his aged mother. She was eighty years old, but had remained very active until the end.

The hope chest is with us yet, but it seldom contains a cook book.

Financial

CALL MONEY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. — Call money strong; high 5½; low 5; ruling rate 5, closing bid 5½; offered at 5¾; last loan 5½; call loans against acceptances 3½. Time loans, firm; 60-90 days 3½@3¾, four-six months 3¾@4; prime commercial paper 3½@3¾.

LIBERTY BONDS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—United States bonds: Liberty 3½'s 100.30; first 4¼'s 101.14; second 4¼'s 100.22½ third 4¼'s 101.3; fourth 4¼'s 101.21; government 4¼'s 104.20; treasury 4's 100.15.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. — Foreign exchanges, firm; quotations in cents; Great Britain demand 473¾, cables 473⅞, 60-day bills on banks 469½; France demand 5.41¾, cables 5.42; Italy 4.22¼ and 4.22½; Belgium 4.98½ and 4.99; Germany demand 23.81; Holland 40.45; Norway 15.10; Sweden 26.93; Denmark 17.65; Switzerland 19.47; Spain 14.00; Greece 1.82; Poland 19¼; Czecho-Slovakia 3.02¼; Jugo-Slavia 1.52; Austria .0014¼; Rumania 52; Argentina 40.12; Brazil 11.60; Tokio 38⅝; Montreal 99 23-32.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

	Inds.	Rails
Tuesday	117.27	100.65
Monday	117.88	101.40
Week ago	114.82	101.27
High 1924	118.28	102.90
Low 1924	90.27	81.00

Total sales 1,736,500 shares.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—With only one tradingday remaining in 1924, stock prices today developed considerable irregularity in reflection of the usual year-end readjustment of speculative accounts. Both the rail and industrial averages showed net declines on the day although gains of 1 to 4 points were scattered through the list. Total sales fell slightly short of one and three quarers of a million shares.

General Electric was the day's speculative feature. It opened fractionally higher at 300, sold down to 297, rallied to 304, slipped back a couple points, moved up to a new peak price at 307½, broke to 296 in reflection of speculative disappointment over the company's announcement of the proposed segregation of its electric bond and share holdings, and closed at 297.

Despite the stiff call money rates, bullish operations were vigorously conducted in a number of issues throughout a greater part of the session 32 stocks being elevated to new high levels for the year. The list included General Asphalt common and preferred, Shell Union common and preferred, Barnsdale "A", Radio Corporation, American Express, American Metals, Chicago Pneumatic Tool, Continental Can, Wrigley, U. S. Industrial Alcohol and Tobacco Products.

Famous Players issues also were [lif]ted to new peaks in response that the announcement that all bank loans have been paid and that the year's earnings will approximate $17 or $18 a share on the common. Radio Corporation also continued its sensational advance by touching a new top at 60, but it reacted later to 57⅝, off 1⅜.

Further accumulation took place in the oil shares with Skelly, one of the new favorites, closing a point higher at 22⅜.

Most of the standard industrials lost ground. U. S. Steel common and Studebaker each closed about a point lower at 118⅝ and 44⅜ respectively.

The rails continued sluggish. Net losses of a point or more were recorded by many of the popular issues, including St. Paul common and preferred, Rock Island, Norfolk and Western, New York Central, Reading, Chicago, Northwestern, Lackawanna, Missouri Pacific preferred, Frisco common and Texas and Pacific.

Call money renewed at 5 per cent and then advanced to 5½. Time money and commercial paper rates also showed a hardening tendency but business was quiet.

Demand sterling touched another new high above $4.73 but the other European rates showed only nominal changes. Argentine and Urugian exchanges developed marked strength.

N. Y. Stocks

(In Hundreds)

	Sales	High	Low	Close
Allied C and D	26	86	83½	83⅝
American Can	225	159	154⅝	156
A C and Fdry	28	195	191	193⅝
Am Inter Corp	71	34⅝	33½	34
Am Locomotive	57	107¾	106	106
Am Smelt and Ref	83	98½	96⅝	96⅝
American Sugar	80	57⅝	50½	51⅝
Am Tel and Tel	14	130½	129⅝	130¼
Am Tobacco	19	87½	86⅝	87½
Am Woolen	40	65	63⅝	63⅝
Anaconda Copper	121	47⅞	47¼	47½
A T and S Fe	43	118⅝	117½	117¾
Atl Coast Line	9	150	148	148
Baldwin Loco	97	132	130⅝	130⅝
Baltimore and O	34	79	78¼	78½
California Pet	49	23⅝	23¼	23¼
Canadian Pac	15	149½	149	149
Cen Leather pfd	20	19⅝	18⅝	18⅝
Cerro de Pasco	36	55½	54¼	54⅝
Chandler Motor	44	35⅝	34	35⅝
Ches'p'ke and O	137	97⅝	95⅝	95⅞
CM and St P pfd	156	26⅝	25½	25½
Chi and N'western	38	70½	69⅝	69½
C R I and Pac	47	45⅝	44⅝	44⅝
Chile Copper	80	37	36½	36½
Coca Cola	10	80	79½	79⅝
Congoleum Co	73	41	40½	40⅝
Consolidated Gas	57	77⅞	76⅝	77
Consolidated Tex	16	4⅝	4½	4½
Continental Can	30	69	67½	68⅝
Corn Products	172	40½	39½	40
Cosden Oil	104	26⅝	26½	26⅝
Crucible Steel	17	74⅝	73½	73½
Cuba C S pfd	45	58⅝	58	58½
Cuban Am Sgr	25	29⅝	29½	29⅝
Davidson Chem	100	46⅝	43⅝	46⅝
Dupont de Nem	28	137⅝	137¼	137½
Erie	120	31	30⅝	30⅝
Famous P L	75	98½	95½	97½
Gen Asphalt	134	61⅝	60	60½
Gen Electric	135	307⅝	297	297
Gen Motors	86	65⅝	64½	64½
G N pfd	47	70	69½	69⅝
Gulf States Steel	18	86⅝	85⅝	88
Houston Oil	75	81½	78⅝	80⅝
Illinois Central	2	116¼	115½	115½
Inter Harvester	8	108⅝	108	108⅝
Inter M M pfd	73	46¼	44	44½
Invincible Oil	30	15⅝	15½	15½
Kelly Sp'field Tire	13	18⅝	17⅝	17⅝
Kennecott Copper	173	56⅝	55½	56⅝
Lou'le and Nash	2	108½	108	108
Mack Truck	24	117	115⅝	116⅝
Marland Oil	158	38⅝	38	38
Middle States Oil	50	1½	1½	1½
M K T	73	28	28½	28½
Mo Pac pfd	21	71⅝	71⅛	71½
N Y Central	74	119	118⅝	118½
NYNH and H	85	30⅝	30½	30½
Nor and W'rn	47	130	128⅝	128⅝
Nor'ern Pac	81	70½	69⅝	69⅝
Pacific Oil	204	55	53	54½
Pan-Am Pet "B"	559	63	62½	62½
Pennsylvania	33	48½	47⅝	47⅝
Phillips Pet	114	37½	36⅝	36⅝
Pro and Ref	11	29	28½	28⅝
Pure Oil	47	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
Reading	24	74	77⅝	73
Rep I and Steel	38	62½	61½	61½
Reynolds Tob "B"	8	78⅝	78	78
S L S'ern	1	50½	40½	40½
Seaboard A Line	10	21½	21	21
Seaboard A L pfd	6	38½	38¼	38⅝
Shell Union Oil	58	27⅝	27	27⅝
Sinclair Con Oil	148	17½	16⅝	17
S-S Steel	2	83½	83½	83¼
Southern Pac	66	102¼	101½	101⅝
Southern Ry	43	78⅝	77⅝	77⅝
Southern Ry pfd	22	84	84	84
Standard O of Cal	87	63¼	62½	62½
Standard Oil of NJ	170	40½	39⅝	40
Stewart Warner	44	70⅝	68⅝	69
Studebaker Corp	108	45¼	44⅝	44⅝
Tennessee Copper	8	9¼	9	9
Texas Co	76	53½	52½	52⅝
Texas and Pac	14	45⅝	44⅝	44⅝
Tob Products	97	73⅝	71⅝	72⅝
Trans'tl Oil	46	4	3⅝	4
Union Pacific	38	140	148⅝	148⅝
U S C I Pipe	21	167	165	165⅝
U S Ind Alcohol	202	87⅝	87½	84⅝
U S Rubber	85	42	41½	41½
U S Steel	430	118⅝	118⅝	118⅝
Utah Copper	2	86½	86½	86½
Virg C Chem pfd	40	2⅝	1⅝	2⅝
Westhouse Elec	135	71⅝	70½	70⅝
Willy O'land pfd	18	76⅝	73½	73½

WANTS 'EM TO SEE.

St. Louis Man Provides That His Body Be Preserved.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—So that future generations might look upon his body, preserved as a mummy, Joseph Marconnot, 64-year-old bachelor and recluse, who died last Friday, provided in his will, it was learned today, that $3,000 from his estate, estimated at $70,000, should be spent in preparing his body, "according to the old time customs."

Discretion: A polite word used to express the minimum temperature of feet.

MONEY AT WORK

Brief but Important Lessons in Finance, Markets, Stocks, Bonds and Investments.



What are some of the duties of a broker in regard to his acts for his customers?

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A broker must always act in good faith toward his customers. If a customer has any doubt as to whether or not good faith was exercised he may check up on his broker through the secretary of the Stock Exchange and find out whether the broker has been buying and selling at the prices given to him by his customer.

Furthermore, a broker may not in execution of an order, buy his customer's stock himself, or sell his own stock to his customer, unless he discloses this fact to the customer and obtains his consent. Whenever a broker executes a customer's order he must notify the customer promptly.

In general, the law of agency can be applied to dealings between customer and broker; the customer being the undisclosed principal (usually) and the broker acting as the agent.

Livestock

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—Cattle 11,000; calves 2,000; steady; early top steers 10.00; cows and heifers 3.50@6.50; canners and cutters 2.25@3.25; native bologna bulls upward to 4.50; top veals 10.00; heavy calves 4.50@6.75; stockers and feeders 5.00@6.75.

Hogs: 12,000; lower; choice heavy butchers 10.50; bulk of sales 10.10@10.40; pigs 8.00@9.00; packing sows 10.00.

Sheep: 7,000; lower; wooled lambs 17.00@17.50; clippers 14.25; top ewes 9.50.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Dec. 30. — Cattle, 23,000; week to 25c lower; steers and yearlings 7.25@10.00; top heavies 11.20; best yearlings 11.50; cows and heifers 4.00@7.00; canners and cutters 2.75@3.50; bologna bulls upward to 5.00; calves 1.00@2.00 lower to packers at 9.50@11.00; shipping calves 12.00@14.00.

Hogs, 73,000; steady; top 11.00; butchers 10.40@10.95; mediums 9.90@10.35; lights 9.60@9.85; pigs fully 25c lower; bulk 8.75@9.00; sows 10.10@10.35; estimated holdover 32,000.

Sheep, 36,000; dull; lambs 75c to 1.00; lower; bulk 17.50@18.00; sheep 50 to 75c lower; ewe top 9.50; feeding lambs 16.00.

Grain

CHICAGO GRAIN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Selling out of wheat today in large amounts said to [b]e from some of the leading holders gave a sharp jolt to wheat values, and to other grain and provisions as well. It was asserted that European demand for United States wheat had dwindled, whereas vessel charters for wheat from the southern hemisphere were being made on a big scale. Closing quotations here on wheat were weak, 2⅝ to 4⅝ cents net lower, May 1.74¼ to 1.74⅜ and July 1.50⅝ to 1.50⅜, with corn ⅜ to 1⅜ off, oats at 1⅜ to 1⅜ decline, and provisions showing setbacks varying from 27 to 62c.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	1.75	1.75	1.70⅝	1.70⅞
May	1.78⅝	1.79	1.74⅜	1.74⅜
July	1.52	1.52⅝	1.50⅜	1.50⅜
Corn—				
Dec.	1.26	1.26½	1.25⅝	1.25⅝
May	1.29½	1.30	1.28⅝	1.28⅝
July	1.30⅝	1.30⅝	1.29	1.29⅝
Oats—				
Dec.	.60	.60	.58⅝	.58⅝
May	.64⅝	.64⅝	.62⅝	.62⅝
July	.63	.63	.61⅝	.61⅝
Rye—				
Dec.	1.46	1.46⅝	1.43⅝	1.44
May	1.54½	1.54⅝	1.50⅝	1.50⅝
July	1.35½	1.35⅝	1.32⅝	1.32⅝
Lard—				
Jan.	16.85	16.90	16.60	16.67
May	17.40	17.40	17.07	17.12
Ribs—				
Jan.	——	——	——	15.75
May	16.45	16.45	16.10	16.10
Bellies—				
Jan.	——	——	——	16.12
May	16.95	16.95	16.50	16.50

CHICAGO GRAIN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Wheat: No. 2 red 1.82; No. 3 red 1.82@1.88.

Corn: No. 3 mixed 1.24; No. 2 yellow 1.31.

Oats: No. 2 white 61@61½c; No. 3 white 58½@59c.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—Wheat: No. 2 hard 1.68½@1.84; No. 2 red 1.83@1.88.

Corn: No. 3 white 1.19@1.19½; No. 2 yellow 1.19½@1.20.

Oats: No. 2 white 60½c; No. 3 white 60c.

America has a kind of caste system. People are thrilled only by scandals in their own class.

NOTICE

FOR SALE — Heirloom over 2,000 years old—an Egyptian Urn; also one Chinese Goddess. These would make ideal donations for the junior college museum. If interested call Hearn hotel after 5 o'clock, or phone 3111, room 118.

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Medina Dam Plan For Irrigation Officially O. K'd

State Board of Engineers Sanctions Big Project Near San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 30.—Permission to form an irrigation district to carry out the Medina dam irrigation plan was granted at Austin today by the state board of water engineers.

John A. Norris, chairman of the board, stated that the revival of the Medina lake project would result in the development of a dozen or more other irrigation projects now in the first stages of formation.

$2,500,000 Bonds.

Following the hearing at Austin which resulted in the granting of the permit an election will be held to create the district, and then a $2,500,000 bond election is planned to furnish money to develop the 43,000 acres below the dam, to be ready for irrigation.

Applicants before the board were Hugh R. Robertson, receiver; William Aubrey, Leroy W. Baldwin and Franc C. Groos, trustees; the Empire Trust company and the San Antonio Land & Irrigation company, limited.

Mr. Norris stated that he expected the execution of the Medina project would cause a revival in other projects, notably one at Cotulla and one in Frio county.

Of the 170,000,000 acres in Texas, 12,000,00 or 7 per cent of the total, can be irrigated, according to Mr. Norris.

G. E. SELLS TO WORKERS

To Organize New Corporation to Distribute Shares to Stockholders

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The General Electric company announced today that it would dispose of its holdings in the Electric Bond & Share Company by organizing a new corporation which will distribute its shares to General Electric stockholders. The distribution will represent a substantial "melon cutting" for General Electric shareholders.

HURRICANE HITS ENGLAND.

60-Mile Wind Blows Inland From English Channel.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—England was experiencing today another fierce gale, the second in a week. Wind of hurricane proportions blew all night. A 60-mile gale was blowing across the English channel and huge seas were breaking over sea walls and coastal towns and doing great damage. The Thames continued to rise.

Floods have done extensive damage. The total loss will be enormous.

KEY RATE IS REDUCED.

Quanah Gets 2-cent Reduction on Its Fire Insurance.

QUANAH, Dec. 30.—The key rate for insurance in Quanah has been reduced from 34c to 32c, according to advice just received from state authorities. This reduction is due to the night watchman's clock with twelve stations which has been in use here since November 1. The key rate will date back from December 15.

The better he knows his stuff, the shorter words he can use to tell the world.

HE SEEKS TO PROLONG LIFE

Institute Is to Conduct a Campaign to Save The World

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A nation wide campaign dedicated to the prevention of disease and the lengthening of the average span of life by seven to twelve years will be launched January 1 by the Gorgas Memorial institute, it was announced today by Dr. Franklin Martin, chairman of the institute's board of directors.

The movement is sponsored by leaders of the medical profession and many prominent citizens, among them President Coolidge, who serves as honorary president of the Gorgas Memorial institute.

"A fund of $5,000,000 will be raised," says the announcement, "and an endowment to provide funds for the conduct of the campaign by which it is estimated that the average span of human life will be prolonged from 58 years to 65 or 70 years."

The Gorgas Memorial institute, the announcement said, has been working for the building up of an organization of medical men and laymen which will reach into every state and county which will serve as a reserve force ready for immediate duty in cases of epidemics. This will not supplant public health agencies, but encourage better "individual" health.

TOO HOT FOR "HAPPY."

Jim Crow War on in Kansas Town Between Negroes.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Dec. 30.—Police believe there is a Jim Crow war on here between "Happy John" Oliver, negro shoe shiner, and members of his race. Shots were fired at him in his home last night, the bullets going through his hat and parts of his clothing, but doing him no injury. He has been robbed three times, once bound securely and left in his home until rescued by a neighbor and his house set on fire, all within the past few weeks. He refuses to shine shoes for negroes and this is believed by police to be the motive for the crimes that have been commited against him.

KANSAS CITY FOG BOUND.

Murky Blanket Settles Down as Cold Wave Lifts.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—Kansas City came out of its two-day cold snap this morning into the worst fog in the history of the weather bureau. It was impossible to see across a street. Such motor vehicles as were out early in the morning crawled along at 4 or 5 miles an hour. Street car traffic was delayed.

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152 MENACED BY SHIP FIRE

Passengers and Crew Take To Life Boats as Jap Steamer Blazes

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 30.—After fighting flames aboard the Japanese freighter Ginyo Maru through the night the remnant of the crew—30 men—left the vessel at day break today off the coast of Mexico near Acapulco to board the rescue ship Julia Luckenbach which previously picked up 79 passengers and 73 members of the crew, messages radiocast to stations here said.

Captain Remains.

Only the captain and his officers remained aboard the burning ship at daybreak. The passengers were sent into life boats shortly after midnight. The Luckenbach will proceed to Manzanillo with the survivors.

One report from the wreck said that most of the passengers were scantily clad when the fire alarm sounded aboard the Ginyo and they were forced to take to small boats and were exposed to the elements when the rescue ship spotted the loaded life boats.

The Ginyo was north and west of Acapulco, Mexico, about 1,500 miles south of here when it began sending out distress calls.

Urged to Hurry.

"Come quick," was the urgent message picked up by the Julia Luckenbach's operator and by the time that vessel had put about and steamed to the burning ship's assistance life boats had been launched and the majority of those threatened by the flames were safely away.

By this time the fire had broken through the Ginyo Maru's No. 4 hatch which was loaded with nitrates and fear of an explositno hastened the decision to launch life boats.

GAY LIFE

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wife drank and committed "divers indiscretions."

"As we were driving from our hotel to my office one day she asked me to stop at the apartment of Alice Burwell, wife of Major Harvey Burwell, of the air service," Scott testified. "She said she had met both of them abroad.

"Mrs. Burwell, whom I had never met, jumped into our car, exclaiming 'hello, dog, old boy, awfully glad to meet you and I've heard such a lot about you.' Hardly had she gotten seated when she turned to my wife and said: 'I guess we weren't on a grand party last night?'

"'Billy Mitchell and I went out for a walk in the woods and I fell in a hole,' Mrs. Burwell said, in explaining a cut on her leg."

"Who is Billy Mitchell," asked Scott's attorney.

"General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the air service, the same branch that Mrs. Burwell's husband is attached to," said Scott.

Names a Captain.

"Who were some of the other members of the party with whom your wife associated?"

"There was Captain Wilbur Sumner of Nashville, who was an aide to General Allen abroad, and stationed in 1922 at Fort Meyer," Scott replied.

"One night I found him and Bill Barnes, secretary to Representative Moore, of Illinois, dining with my wife in the apartment. There were liquor glasses at each place and from their faces I could easily see that my wife and Sumner were intoxicated," Scott related.

"As I came in she said they were all going to a party at the home of one of her friends and she volunteered the additional information that champagne recently imported by the Italian embassy was to be among the chief attractions."

Scott further charged that Harry Wyckoff, one of the cashiers at the Wardman Park hotel in Washington, visited his wife almost nightly.

In her cross bill, Mrs. Scott charges her husband associated with members of congress who "drank freely and gambled for large stakes."

Continuing, Mrs. Scott declares that "after his separation from this defendant, he went on a trip with other members of congress to Panama, from where he brought back several barrels and a trunkful of liquor and during the trip committed 'divers moral indiscretions with certain women.'"

Irrigation

OUR HARD LANDS NOT CAUSED BY ALKALI

A gentleman here after reading some of the recent articles on "hard water making soft land" says that it is his belief that much of the so called tight soils on the irrigation project are hard because they contain so much alkali.

Alkali, with the exception of the black alkali is often indicated in an unirrigated soil by a decided "fluffiness." We have seen soils containing as high as 3 per cent of alkali which resembled ashes they were so loose. However, these same soils after being irrigated for a few years became very dense and hard.

The report of the soil survey of the lands on the irrigation project made by W. T. Carter, gives an analysis of the soil. The main alkali found was just common table salt. There was less than six hundredths of one per cent. This is a very small amount.

Our soils are not alkaline in the sense that most western soils are. In fact these soils can not in any way be considered as alkali soils.

There is a small amount of alkali present which is well distributed through the soil and not concentrated at the top. It is the concentration of alkali at the top of a soil that generally causes damage.

This does not mean however, that our lands cannot be alkalied. They can be. By the excessive use of irrigation water coupled with lack of proper cultivation it is perfectly possible even in these non-alkaline soils to cause a concentration at the surface which would be fatal to crops.

The gentleman is mistaken. Our hard soils are not hard because of their alkali content. What is more, as time passes, and our irrigation water is applied properly year after year these same soils will become softer and more easily tilled.

An exercised wife is one who can pass just by keeping still.

WICHITANS TO HEAR "8" AGAIN



There's happy news for music lovers. The Eight Popular Victor Artists, who made such a hit here last season, are coming back. They will appear at the Palace on Wednesday, Jan. 21, under the local management of McConnell Brothers.

No change has been made in the personnel of the group. Henry Burr, Albert Campbell, John Meyer and Frank Croxton, the popular singers who comprise the Peerless Quartet and the Sterling Trio, will again be on hand to render the latest selections in solo and concerted form. Billy Murray will again entertain with the newest popular comedy songs, and Monroe Silver, will tell an entirely new set of amusing stories. The instrumental section will again be handled by Rudy Wiedoeft, the noted saxophonist, and Frank Banta, pianist. A complete new program has been promised, and it looks like a gala evening of melody, song and laughter.

CITY TO STAY UP FOR 1925

Dances and Watch Parties To Welcome in New Year Tonight

Another year ends tonight, and according to indications yesterday Wichita Falls will stay up to see the demise and welcome with the roar of every whistle and rocket-maker in town Old Father Time's newest contribution to this thing called the calendar. Dances are scheduled for a dozen places over the city.

Then there'll be the usual crowd on the streets, sporting tin horns, cowbells and raucous voices, loudest at midnight, and gradually stilling as the year advances to a definite age.

Tomorrow will be a holiday for a few institutions and business houses in town. The banks will be closed but schools will remain in session as usual.

PLAN PRAYER MEETINGS

Cottage Services to Be Held to Prepare for Revival.

In preparation for the series of meetings which will begin at the First Presbyterian church next Sunday morning under the leadership of Dr. B. Frank White, there will be held on Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week "cottage prayer meetings" in the homes of members of the church. All the members in the vicinity of these homes are urged to join in the service that the greatest possible good may be gotten from these meetings.

On Thursday afternoon meetings will be held at the home of Mrs. John D. Robertson, 1210 Filmore and at the home of Mrs. Minnie Gaffney, 1107 Austin St. On Friday the meetings will be in the home of Mrs. J. W. Culbertson, 1100 Harrison avenue, and Mrs. A. H. Carrigan, 1100 Austin street. The meeting on Thursday afternoon will be at three o'clock and on Friday at two o'clock.

A special prayer service will be held Wednesday at the regular hour for the mid-week service. Because of the illness of Dr. Grafton the Elders will have charge of this meeting.

THORN AT CONVENTION

Local Man Attends Convention of League Presidents.

J. W. Thorn of this city is in Dallas attending a meeting of the presidents of all Epworth Leagues of the Methodist church south, the annual session of which is now under way at the Adolphus hotel. The convention was opened Tuesday night with a banquet and will continue through today.

Delegates from all over the south, as well as league officials from the central headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., were in attendance.

Mrs. Thorn is also in Dallas visiting friends during the convention.

REVIVAL WILL START

Nazarene Church to Hold Services Each Night For Three Weeks.

A series of revival services will be held at the local Nazarene church, beginning with a watch party Wednesday night, according to an announcement from Rev. J. T. Engle, the pastor.

Rev. Lee L. Hamrit, an evangelist of note, will conduct the meetings, while music will be under the direction of the pastor and his wife.

TYLER TO CORSICANA

Former Prohi Officer Here Named Head of Station.

Word was received Monday of the appointment of Arch Tyler as head of the enforcement group at Corsicana, to become effective on January 1. Mr. Tyler was formally prohibition enforcement officer stationed here, but more recently has been with the state headquarters in Fort Worth.

CLASSES AS USUAL

Schools Not to Be Dismissed For New Year's Day.

Classes will be held Thursday, New Year's Day, in the public and rural schools of the county, an announcement from the office of the local superintendent states. It was erroneously reported early in the week that schools would be dismissed for one day on New Year's.

DATSON IS SELECTED

Will Give Baccalaureate Address To Mid-Term Students.

The Rev. F. T. Datson, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, has been selected by the mid-term graduating class of the high school, to deliver the baccalaureate sermon in the Junior college auditorium Sunday morning.

LITTLE GIRL HURT.

A little girl of about twelve years of age whose name was not learned sustained minor injuries 6:30 Tuesday evening when she was knocked to the pavement by a car as she was crossing the street at the corner of Twelfth street and Marshall avenue.

She was taken to her home, and the wounds dressed.

TELEPHONE RATE FAIR SAYS C-C

Commends Local Manager And Declares Charges Fair and Reasonable

Telephone charges by the Southwestern Bell Telephone company to patrons in Wichita Falls are fair and by no means excessive according to a report of the telephone rate investigation committee of the chamber of commerce made public yesterday morning.

The final paragraph of the report reads, "Our chamber of commerce and our citizens in general have no just and reasonable complaint as a whole against the quality of service furnished or the standard of rates maintained by the Southwestern Bell Telephone company in Wichita Falls."

The committee appointed for this work of investigation was appointed some time ago and since their investiture have made a thorough investigation of rates all over the state. Following of the report by Charles I. Francis, committee chairman, to the directors of the chamber of commerce yesterday that body voted acceptance and special commendation for the efficient and thorough manner in which the work was handled. The committee was composed of Charles I. Francis, G. C. Wood, Carter McGregor, T. H. Lawson, and A. E. Myles.

Among other things the report brought out that the number of telephones in Wichita Falls had increased since 1920 from 9.40 phones per every hundred persons to 17.5 this year, and that the company has spent approximately $750,000 on improvements and additions here in the past year. Its return last year approximated only seven per cent, considerably more than in past years, and a return that the supreme court has justified on several occasions.

The report of the committee commended the management of the telephone company for the splendid cooperation that had been given the committee in their investigation with special mention made of C. C. Kirby, local manager; Mr. T. Caldwell, division superintendent, and P. K. Baker of Dallas, rate representative.

ANOTHER FIRE MIX-UP

Firemen Given Wrong Direction In Responding to Alarm.

Another mix-up in directions due to insufficient instructions was caused Tuesday night in turning in a fire alarm. It was the second such case this week, the other coming Monday night.

Last night's blaze was a curtain, burning in a house in the 1000 block Eighth street. The alarm was turned in as 1000 Travis street and the firemen from the central station hunted diligently for several minutes in that vicinity before they found out about the error. In the meantime the burning curtain had been pulled down and damage averted.

Monday night the central station responded to an alarm sent in from a rooming house "on Ohio avenue," only to find that the place in question was on another street altogether. No damage was caused by either blaze, but fire department officials urge that more care be used in giving directions over the phone.

DECLARE USUAL DIVIDEND

W. F. Building And Loan Meet 7th Consecutive Payment.

The Wichita Falls Building and Loan Association yesterday announced their seventh consecutive semi-annual dividend of five per cent, following a directors' meetnig of the association.

The paid in capital stock of the company is now given as $865,000. During the three and one-half years of operation the company has loaned nearly one-million dollars on Wichita Falls homes, the month of December having thus far been one of the banner periods of the association, loans exceeding $100,000 having been made.

HE GETS BIG TWIST.

F. L. Mercer Has 8-Pound Plug Of Real Kentucky Burly.

An unusual Christmas present in the form of a "twist" of Kentucky raised tobacco, and with all the "fixins" or rather minus them, was shown to his friends and co-workers by F. L. Mercer of Perkins-Timberlake yesterday. The twist weighs over six pounds an dmeasures about three feet in length. It is the gift of a friend in Scotsville, Kentucky.

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POSTOFFICE MEN ARE BANQUETED

Postmaster Gives Dinner; Wouldn't Trade Staff For Any in City

"I wouldn't trade places with any bank president in Wichita Falls," O. P. Maricle, Wichita Falls postmaster, told postal employes at a banquet given by him in their honor at the Wichita club last night, "I'd rather work with the men I have with me tonight than with any group in this city. I consider them equal and greater in efficiency than any set of employes of any concern in Wichita Falls and value their co-operation more than any other asset of the Wichita Falls postoffice.

"Their work during the Christmas rush was especially commendable. A record amount of mail was handled in an efficient and orderdly manner. I have been in office now exactly six months and in that six months we have eclipsed all former marks made by the postoffice, both as to mail actually handled and the manner in which it was handled. My only request now is that this good work be continued on into 1925 and that this next year be made as much better than 1924 as 1924 was better than its predecessors."

Talks by Postmen.

Mr. Maricle's talk was brief and came following short talks and addresses by others of the postoffice staff who stressed the value of cooperation among employes as an asset to pleasurable and efficient work. Among those making talks along this line were Miss Grace Yarbrough, clerk at the postoffice, who thanked Mr. Maricle for his hospitality, W. E. Martin, carrier, who spoke on fellowship and co-operation among the carriers, Oran McCullough, who spoke for the carriers and thanked Mr. Maricle for his hospitality, Renard Looyengood, clerk, who stressed the need of co-operation among the clerks, Billy McHam, money order clerk for the past sixteen years, who told of the vast differences between modern and sixteen-year ago methods, J. T. Highsmith, who expressed himself as in favor of other get together meetings, and lauded the resultant efficiency.

Here 16 Years.

Lon Howard, assistant postmaster, speaking on behalf of the supervisory force, complimented the men on their work during the Christmas holidays, and told something of the changes that had taken place in the postoffice since he came here 16 years ago. According to Mr. Howard in 1900 there were nine clerks at the local postoffice then, and four carriers. His salary then was $600 a year. In illustration of the vast differences he pointed to the mark made by the cancelling machine on December 22, when 81,000 letters were cancelled in one day at this office.

Sixty-three were present at the meeting.

The postal employees were guests of the Mission Theatre following the dinner.

OLD HOME TOWN

Two Ford touring cars, one driven by a woman, collided at Tenth and Lamar early Monday afternoon with slight damage to both. A running board was stripped from one of the machines and the other suffereed a broken wheel. No one was injured and no arrests were made.

Carl Franklin, an attorney of Dallas, is in the city for a few days on business.

B. G. Duerr, formerly an oil operator of Wichita Falls and now stationed at Tulsa, is here for a short time on business.

TEXAS CHARTERS

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 30.—Chartered Monday: Gulf Coast Dredging Co., Galveston, capital stock $15,000; incorporators Emil Nelson, W. P. Sweeney, J. E. Jacobson.

Commercial Credit Co., Inc., Dallas, capital stock $100,000; incorporators J. F. Morgan, W. B. Bates, H. B. Mathews.

Peerless Refining Co., Dallas, capital stock $100,000; incorporators F. R. Schneider, T. W. Sowell, T. A. Knight.

Permit to do business in Texas granted: The Arnold's Inc., New York, N. Y., capital stock $50,000; Texas headquarters, Austin, Ike D. White, state agent.

HE'S FASTER THAN SANTA

But While Lawrence Uses Plane, Not Sleigh and Reindeers.

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'Little Jessie James" Makes A Hit At Palace

Capacity Crowd Turns Out For One of Season's Best Shows

"Little Jessie James," a musical comedy in two acts, played to a capacity audience at the Palace Theatre last night. The production was one of the best and most entertaining that has been at the theatre this season.

In addition to a large cast and chorus, the show carries a nine piece Paul Whiteman band, and the curtain goes up to the melodies of real jazz syncopators.

Is Good Plot.

The plot is well enough developed to give unity to the production and is filled with intensely funny situations. When the curtain rises Tommy Tinker and Juliet are discovered in the living room. Juliet is married but that does not prevent her from stealing an afternoon with an entertaining bachelor. Complications set in when Paul Revere brings his fiance and future mother-in-law into the apartment and Tommy Tinker is forced to hide his afternoon tea party in the closet. Further turmoil is created when the bridesmaid and all her attendants come in.

Things are about to straighten themselves out when Mr. Block, a furniture dealer who has been using the apartment to display his furniture, brings in a prospective customer in the person of Mrs. Jamieson and her daughter, Jessie James, from Oskaloosa, Kansas. This puts Paul Revere in a precarious predicament as he is afraid that Mr. Block will disclose his penniless condition to his mother-in-law.

Estelle Brody is a charming brunette. She is small and attractive and plays the part of "Little Jessie James" with so much snap and enthusiasm that she immediately wins the audience.

Charles O'Connor has the knack of putting his lines over. His work is splendid and most of the comedy centers around him.

Mildred Kent is pretty and pleasing as Juliet. Donald Carroll makes a good fiance and fits himself into the situations in a clever way. Vera Rial as Mrs. Flower, Mildred Reed as Geraldine, Robert Burns as William J. Pierce, Pearl Hight as Mrs. Jamieson, and Mr. Block were all well cast.

"I Love You," sung by Miss Reed and Mr. Caroll, "Suppose I Had Never Met You," in the first act, and "Little Jessie James" in the second act were the best song hits of the evening.

YOUNG HUNTER KILLED.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—Reuben Horn, 15 years of age, was killed in Menard county late yesterday while hunting. His gun was accidentally discharged.

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ELLIOTT FUNERAL SERVICES HELD

Local Girl, Active in Work Of Church, Buried Tuesday

The funeral of Miss Agnes Elliott, who died at her home, 310 Lee, Monday, was held Tuesday afternoon, 3 o'clock, at the First Baptist church, with Rev. A. J. Holt, pastor of the Lamar Avenue Baptist church officiating. Burial was in Riverside cemetery.

Miss Elliott is survived by her mother, Mrs. J. F. Elliott, a pioneer resident of Wichita Falls, three sisters, Buelar and Armelia Elliott, and Mrs. Ruth Grutts, and two brothers, James and Jean, all of this city.

For eight years Miss Elliott was cashier for Perkins-Timberlake store. She was a very active member of the First Baptist church, having been a member for eighteen years.

Active pallbearers were Claude Montgomery, Withers Lee, F. D. Turner, P. H. Bennett, Talbot Abernathy and F. M. McClure.

Honorary pallbearers were J. J. Perkins, F. P. Timberlake, R. D. Kennedy, G. W. Sosebee, T. A. Bradley, W. H. Davis, W. W. Brown, R. E. Huff, C. J. Shumake, F. F. Fuller, and Wiley Robertson.

TRAIN SCHEDULE

M-K-T LINES

Eastbound — Leaves

36 "Katy Flyer" to St. Louis, Kansas City, Dallas and San Antonio ..... 6:45 a. m.
33 "Texas Special" to Kansas City and St. Louis ..... 4:00 p. m.
38 "11 o'Clock Katy" to Dallas, San Antonio and Houston ..... 11:20 p. m.

Westbound — Arrives

37 "11 o'Clock Katy" from Houston, San Antonio and Dallas ..... 6:15 a. m.
31 "Texas Special" from Galveston, San Antonio, St. Louis and Kansas City ..... 2:25 p. m.
35 "Katy Flyer" from St. Louis and Kansas City ..... 9:00 p. m.

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

Northbound — Leaves

54 To Forgan, Wellington and intermediate points ..... 7:15 a. m.
52 To Elk City and Oklahoma City ..... 7:00 p. m

Southbound — Arrives

53 From Forgan, Wellington and intermediate points ..... 7:15 p. m.
51 From Elk City and Oklahoma City ..... 6:45 a. m.

Iowa Park Five Wins, 42 to 36, Over Landon-Hill

Hudson-Essex Five Jumps On Knights of Columbus, 32 to 17

Iowa Park cagers nosed out the Landon-Hill five in the final minute of play last night in a scheduled commercial league contest by a 42 to 36 score. The work of Leo Haney of the losers stood out in scintillating manner, mut his star who shot seven field goals was not able to pull his team over for a victory. Haney played at center and put up a good all-around brand of ball. However, his opponent, Davis of Iowa Park, scored 16 points via the field goal route.

Faichney's Hudson-Essex team as was expected defeated the Knights of Columbus. The score was 32 to 17. The K. of C. quintet waged a stubborn battle, but stood no show at any stage of the game with the fast stepping league leaders. Golden led the scoring with a quartet of baskets from the floor and three foul tosses for a total of 11 points. Captain Faichney connected with five field loops for ten points.

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KANSAS LABOR MAN DEAD.

Ford Allen, 72, Passes Away Tuesday in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—Ford A. Allen, one of the best known labor leaders in this section of the middlewest, died at his home this morning at the age of 72. Mr. Allen had been a member of the Typographical Union since 1869. He was a former member of the state board of arbitration and was several times delegate to the national convention of the American Federation of Labor.



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1925 Building Near 6 Millions

300 INDIANS TO SUE STATE FOR E. TEXAS LANDS

Heirs to Cherokee and Other Bands Seek to Recover 1,500,000 Acres

EMPLOY ATTORNEYS

Lawyers' Contract Calls For Half of Amount Collected On Action

MIAMI, Okla., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Three hundred heirs of the Texas Cherokee Indians and associated bands met in the district court room here this afternoon to discuss plans for a suit against the government of Texas to recover approximately 1,500,000 acres of land in eastern Texas.

Families came from all over Oklahoma to attend the meeting.

The meeting was called for the purpose of ratifying a contract between the heirs of George W. Fields and John F. McMurray, attorneys, retiring the two lawyers as counsel to press the suit. A contract already had been drawn up providing the attorneys should have 50 per cen of the amount collected from the state of Texas, but Mrs. F. N. Buck, heir, from Bartlesville, led a fight against this agreement.

50 AUSTOS IN SMASH UPS ON OAK CLAFF VIADUCT

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Fifty automobiles were damaged and a score of persons were cut and bruised in automobile crashes on the Oak Cliff viaduct here last night when a coating of ice covered the one mile long structure.

AUSTIN FILLING STATION MAN IS ROBBED OF $75

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)— Two unmasked white men Tuesday night attacked Frank Weeden, and robbed the Grayburg Filling station, which he was operating, of approximately $75 in money.

BILLY HAUGHTON QUITS DALLAS ROTARY PLACE

DALLS, Dec. 30.—Billy Haughton of Dallas, for seven years secretary-treasurer of the Dallas Rotary club, today resigned that position, effective February 1.

LATE

SAN ANTONIO—Building figures for December reached a total of $641,737.

SAN ANTONIO—Jesus Morales was brought back to life today after she had touched a high voltage wire and received several thousand volts in his body.

DENVER—Governor Morley late today abolished the state law enforcement department and revoked the commissions of 200 volunteer dry agents.

SAN ANTONIO—Sul Ross Lobos of Alpine defeated Brackenridge high sencol 15 to 11 here tonight in a basket ball game.

SAN ANTONIO—Raymond Edwards, attorney, today was elected to succeed the Rev. Hugh McClellan as president of the Rotary club.

WASHINGTON—Army medical reports on General Pershing's illness say that unless the general returns to the United States for treatment he may face permanent impairment of his health.

SAN ANTONIO—A march composition dedicated to second division at Fort Sam Houston will be composed in the near future by John Philip Sousa, the famous band master.

TACOMA, Wash.—A municipal street car went through the gate of the Eleventh street bridge here tonight and plunged through the open draw into the city water way 150 feet below.

FORT WORTH—Objecting to being told he should not have killed Roy Green, run down by an automobile some time ago, Jimmie McDaniel is alleged to have smashed a pitcher over the head of his friend.

DALLAS—A. L. Perdue, sales manager for a rubber concern at Dallas was reported in a critical condition at Tyler today following injuries received when an automobile in which he was riding overturned.

FLORESVILLE—S. V. Houston, who has a record of 23 years as mayor of Floresville prior to 1921, when he voluntarily retired, was unanimously elected mayor today to succeed the late Mayor J. H. Brown, who died December 7.

JACKSONVILLE, Miss.—"Mary Blue" a pointer owned by Dr. George Blue, of Montgomery, Ala., won the all-age stage of the Colton States Field Trials association at Manadale today over the strongest field ever entered in the event.

CHICAGO—Spots on the sun, one group about 112,000 miles long, and the other about 85,000, are visible to the naked eye, through a smoked glass, Professor Edward B. Frost, director of the Yerkes observatory of the University of Chicago, reported today.

SAN ANTONIO—A poorly tied knot probably saved the life of H. O. Hurd, of Enid, Calif. He told at the sheriff's office today how he had been brought in suffering from exposure when two men rubbed him and tied him to a tree eight miles from San Antonio.

CHICAGO—Dr. Albert Chauncey Eycleshymer, former dean of the University of Illinois graduate school of medicine and nationally prominent in the medical profession, was found dead from a bullet wound through his neck at his home here today.

MADISON, Wis.—A source of plenty of cheap news print paper has been found, the Forest Products Laboratory of the University of Wisconsin announced today. Experiments conducted by the laboratory to produce print paper from eucalyptus wood grown in the state of Sao Paulo, Brazil, were successful.

Watchman Who Led To Damascus Siege Is Shot to Death

DAMASCUS, Syria, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Hassan El Kharrat, a former night, watchman in Damascus who was considered the leader of the Druse uprising which led to the French bombardment of Damascus of October 18 to 20, has been killed in fighting outside the city.

Kharrat, who styled himself "pasha" has played a romantic and sometimes a comic role in the Syrian revolt. His intimate knowledge of streets and alleys of the city made him a useful leader in the revolutionary raids. He never interferred with the Christian population and once he sent a sarcastic note to General Sarrail, the former French high commissioner, twitting him with responsibility for the sufferings of the Christians of Damascus.

3 TEXAS ROAD CHIEFS FIRED

Hank, Engineer, Allison, Assistant, and Lawrence, Supt., Ousted

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—R. J. Hank, state highway engineer, highest paid employe of the state, L. R. Allison, assistant highway engineer and L. E. Lawrence, headquarters maintenance superintendent of the highway department resigned today at request of the highway commission, effective January 15. Hank will be succeeded by W. P. Kemper who will have title of acting highway engineer. Hank, by law the chief administrative officer of the department which in 1925 has spent more than seventeen million dollars, is the highest paid employe of the state, drawing an annual salary of $7,000.

In Row With Burkett

Whether Hank's taking issue with Joe Burkett former member of the commission, on the details of the letting of the American Road company asphalting surfacing contracts, had anything to do with his resignation is not known.

Shortly after that contract came under fire, Mr. Burkett said Chairman Frank Lanham had insisted 30 cents a square yard was a reasonable price to pay for the surfacing, but that he had held out for 25 cents, until Hank had approved 30 cents. Mr. Hank immediately denied he had approved the price, and said he had recommended bids be asked, a recommendation which was not followed.

Subsequently the American Road company in the 53rd district court here confessed the state should recover from it $600,000 excess highway profits, that contracts worth approximately $2,000,000 should be cancelled, that it should be perpetually barred from doing business in Texas, and that it should pay court costs.

Inference was left by Secretary Smith that Mr. Kemper will be made highway engineer, if he proves his fitness as acting highway engineer.

Kemper, from 1915 through 1918, was employed by the Kentucky highway department. In 1919 he came to Texas and was engaged in general engineering work, until connection with the highway department last February.

MT. PLEASANT SUES STATE FOR APPROVAL OF BONDS

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Mandamus seeking to compel Attorney General Dan Moody to approve a $50,000 issue of waterworks bonds was filed in supreme court late today by attorneys representing the city of Mount Pleasant.

SUIT OVER GAS WELL AND TRACT IS ON IN CUERO.

CUERO, Dec. 30.—An ancilliary hearing on a suit involving the Smith well, one of the largest gas producers in Refugro county, and the 250 acre tract on which it is located, is under way in Cuero this week.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The New York stock exchange will be open on Saturday January 2, but will close January 1.

TEXAS NEGRO TO DEATH CHAIR ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

White Man Who Employed Black to Assault His Wife, Is in Prison

LIVING LAST DAY

Carr to Die After Midnight Tonight; Governor Not Expected to Interfere

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Shortly after midnight and early on New Year's morn, Melton Carr, negro, convicted of criminal assault on a white woman, will go to the electric chair at the Texas prison in Huntsville, it was assured here today when Frank O'Rourke, secretary to the prison commission, said preparations had been made for the execution.

Although no announcement was made at the governor's office, it was indicated there that Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, who granted the negro a 10 day respite in order to give the board of pardons time to investigate his case, would not further interfere.

Carr was convicted of criminal assault in Walker county on Mrs. Fannie Kitchens in Leon county. Albert Kitchens, husband of the victim, is serving a 99 year sentence for employing Carr to commit the act.

Carr was granted a respite on petition from citizens and officials in Walker county.

Kitchens was sentenced to die at his first trial, but the sentence was lowered to life at his second trial.

GEORGIA TO EXECUTE 4 YOUNG MEN JANUARY 29

EATONTON, Ga., Dec. 30.—(AP) Four young men are under sentence to pay the death penalty in Georgia on January 29—two to die by hanging and two by electrocution.

Burglar Is Killed By Hugo Watchman

HUGA, Okla., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Tom Hays, about 40 years old said to live at Jellico, Tenn., was slain by Perdy Miller, night watchman, in the burglary of a general merchandise store at Grant south of here, early today.

Miller, sleeping in the store was awakened by the man's attempt to force his way through a rear window.

Hays later gained entrance through a front door and was shot when he refused to obey the night watchman's order to throw up his hands.

TWO TEXANS CHARGED IN MAIL FRAUD CONSPIRACY.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Jay Keerner and Arthur J. Granger were each held under $1,000 bonds after a hearing Wednesday before United States Commissioner R. L. Edwards on information charging use of the mails to further a conspiracy to defraud.

42 BODIES RECOVERED IN MEXICO MINE BLAST.

EAGLE PASS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Forty-two bodies, many badly mangled, have been brought out of a Mexican national railway coal mine at Palan, state of Coahuila, where an explosion occurred Saturday.

News of the disaster reached here by courier.

Record Cold Wave Has Spent Force

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Texas' record December cold snap was gradually spending its bitterness Wednesday night although low temperatures prevailed in the southern and southwestern sections of the state. High temperatures with rain or sleet were reported for many localities today. Clear weather was reported in north, east and west Texas tonight, with continued moderation forecast for Thursday. Indications were freezing weather would prevail tomorrow in the gulf coast section of the state.

Police Department's New Year's Party to Bid 1926 a Welcome

Glaring lights, flaring colors, blaring horns and raring dancers will merge tonight in what promises to be the biggest New Year's Eve celebration in the city when the police department stages its holiday carnival and dance on Scott avenue between Eleventh and Twelfth streets. All preparations for the event have been made and it was reported by cops last night that the advance sale of tickets was gratifying in the extreme.

Proceeds of the affair will go to the police relief fund, which is established as a reserve for the aid of city officers who may be injured or otherwise incapacitated while on duty.

The big dance will be a typical New Year's celebration. Those in charge have purchased a big stock of confetti, paper hats and other orthodox trinkets which will be distributed free. They have, of course, also arranged for music. Two orchestras have been engaged, one to be stationed at each end of the street so there will be no dearth of music.

Chief of Police Hodgins has promised to rope off Scott between Eleventh and Twelfth for the night so that there will be no interference from traffic.

The fun will start around 8 o'clock, probably, and continue until 1926 has been greeted in true style.

Oil Used in Leper Cases Also Kills Tubercular Germs

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Nearly half of the cases of leprosy which have not passed the six months stage can be cured by modern use of chaulmoogric oil, Dr. Roger Adams of the University of Illinois told the first national symposium on organic chemistry here today.

Dr. Adams said that in actual tests in leper colonies it had been found that use of the oil and its compounds cured 40 per cent of the cases discovered before they had been six months in progress and that there was hope that not only leprosy but tuberculosis might be overcome through the results of chemical research work now under way. The oil and its compounds, he declared have been found to kill both the leprous and tubercular bacilli.

40 MILLIONS IS GIVEN MUSEUM

Bulk of Munsey Estate Given to Metropolitan Art Bureau in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The bulk of the estate of Frank A. Munsey is to go to the Metropolitan museum of art in this city, under the terms of his will, filed today.

The trustees of the estate are given five years or more if necessary, to dispose of his newspapers, the Sun and the Evening Telegram as well as other business interests and to convert his assets, including real estate holdings, banking interests and other properties into cash or securities.

Cash bequests of more than $550,000 are made to relatives, friends and institutions.

The value of the estate is not given, but close friends have estimated it at $40,000,000.

THE WEATHER



"Me and Skinny always keep a note about how much we like the teacher, so if she catches us we can give her that one."

LYRICS OF LIFE.
By Douglas Malloch.
The Year's Eve.

New Year's Eve is different from those that used to be;
Time has brought us many a change, but none, it seems to me,
As much, as many, or as strange, or harder to believe
Than are the changes time has wrought in this year's New Year's Eve.

New Year's Eve still brings us cheer, still brings us sweets and joys,
But New Year's Eve has bobbed her hair —it looks more like a boy's.
New Year's Eve wears shorter skirts and emphasizes hose
A way to cause some old year's Eve to shudder, I suppose.

New Year's Eve inclines to jazz and not old-fashion airs.
New Year's Eve is different in all she does and wears.
New Year's Eve no longer says she'll honor and obey—
Of course that doesn't matter much, she didn't anyway.

New Year's Eve may seem to change, and yet, it seems to me,
She is just about the Eve she always used to be.
In the fundamental things, in heart and soul and mind
New Year's Eve is just as fair and sweet and good and kind.

So I welcome New Year's Eve, the Eve they're talking of,
For I find her, after all, the same old Eve to love.
New Year's Eve has bobbed her hair and custom has defied,
But I find the New Year's Eve the same old Eve inside.

Local weather conditions for the past 24-hour period as reported by the Wichita Falls Electric company bureau: Maximum temperature 43 degrees; minimum 25; at 5 p. m. Wednesday 42; no precipitation; northeast breeze; clear; average wind velocity 3 miles per hour; maximum velocity 5 miles per hour; barometer 29.58

OKLAHOMA: Thursday fair, slowly rising temperature; Friday fair.

EAST TEXAS: Thursday and Friday part cloudy to cloudy; rising temperature Friday; light to moderate northerly winds on the coast.

WEST TEXAS: Thursday part cloudy, probably rain in extreme west; Friday partly cloudy, slowly rising temperature.

THE DAY IN WICHITA FALLS.

The Majestic, B. F. Keith, Orpheum Interstate vaudeville; midnight matinee.

The Olympic, Bert Levey vaudeville; "The King on Main Street;" midnight matinee.

The Strand, "The Gold Rush;" midnight matinee.

The Palace, Mullen's Musical Maids "The Goose Hangs High;" midnight matinee.

The Mission, "In Bad in Bagdad;" midnight matinee.

$131,850 IS FIRE LOSS IN CITY FOR 1925

Toll of Red Menace Drops Far Under 1924 Figures

ARE LESS ALARMS

328 Blazes Reported In Past Year With 353 For '24

An amazingly low record in the matter of fire loss in Wichita Falls has been established in 1925, a report compiled Wednesday by Fire Chief J. L. McClure reveals. Fewer fires were reported here in the past 12 months than in 1924 and the aggregate property loss because of them has been less.

For 1925, the chief's report shows, the loss has amounted to $131,850, against $284,161 in 1924. The year just closing saw 328 separate fires, while 1924 had 353.

Values Are Higher.

While the 1925 fire loss was being held to the lower figure than in 1924, property endangered by fire had a higher valuation. This in 1925 amounted to $1,753,025; while 1924's potential loss was only $1,244,930. This potential loss means that fire actually gained a headway in buildings and furnishings valued at the figure quoted. Unopposed the flames would have, theoretically at least, completely destroyed this amount of property.

Fortunately no serious blazes have encountered here this year. Most of the loss has been accounted for units of $1,000, $2,000 or perhaps $5,000. Private residences of course, represent most of it. There have been no costly fires in the business district which gives 1925 a decided edge over 1924 when, on Christmas eve, the Bob Waggoneer building top burned out with a loss of far over the $100,000 mark.

Steady Growth.

In physical properties 1925 has brought a small though steady growth to the fire department. Three new pieces of apparatus have been purchased—two small chemical trucks and one large combination pumper; about 6,500 feet of new hose have been purchased and sufficient fire alarm equipment has been acquired to supply one new station. Work is now under way on a fifth station for the city, this to be erected at Giddings and Avenue L.

With the start of 1926, 14 additional men will be added to the force, bringing the total employed to 50. At the same time the double-platoon system will go into effect, which means that each station will be manned at all hours and without intermission by a force sufficient to handle all apparatus and meet any emergency. Lunch hours and special occasions will not cut in.

At least one and possibly two new stations will be erected by the city in 1926.

Says British Now Seek Oil Control

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—(AP)—British interests are gradually gaining control of the oil industry in this country and the time may come when "we may be forced to buy our gasoline much as we now buy our rubber and coffee," Dr. Roy Cross, secretary and manager of the Kansas City testing laboratory, declared in an address today at the annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Treating of the subject of "synthetic gasoline for motor fuel," he declared that English concerns now own "38 per cent of our oil industry and dominate the foreign oil fields."

Aged Woman Admits Her Part in Murder

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Mrs. Eliza Nusbaum, 58-year-old and a grandmother, tonight admitted, police say, that she and four others planned the murder of her husband, Albert Nusbaum, 65-year-old contractor, whose battered body was found early today on a city limits prairie.

STATE'S RECEIPTS SHOW BIG INCREASE FOR PERIOD

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Receipts for the first four months of the present fiscal year total approximately $10,990,000, an increase of $650,000 more than the receipts of the same period last year Comptroller S. H. Terrell announced today.

27 MILES OF PAVEMENT LAID IN DALLAS IN '25

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—All records for pavement laid in a 12-month period were broken here during the year 1925. A report completed by City Engineer E. A. Kingsley Wednesday showed that 27.41 miles, or 465,310 square yards of pavement was laid during the year at a total cost of $1,781,313.

ADMIRAL HARBER DEAD.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Giles Bates Harber, 76, retired, died in a hospital here last night of inflamation of the bladder.

Building Permits By Months For The Last 3 Years; 1925 In Lead

The following comparative table shows graphically the remarkable gains made in building in Wichita Falls the past year over the two preceding.

	1925 Permits		1924 Permits		1923 Permits	
Month	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.
January	$363,410	90	$103,550	54	$ 68,110	35
February	305,310	119	249,125	78	61,370	36
March	832,790	133	391,109	92	137,950	40
April	455,432	148	133,446	49	771,660	54
May	733,201	163	166,486	82	109,144	54
June	486,060	149	180,015	83	87,015	38
July	530,475	133	190,702	62	96,855	48
August	403,113	151	171,851	46	72,780	46
September	495,020	159	202,255	96	81,215	60
October	473,976	170	226,832	104	95,925	50
November	428,279	150	191,342	85	51,700	27
December	397,500	127	145,000	54	124,045	41
Totals	$5,904,586	1692	$2,343,713	1016	$1,747,767	531

Everything That Moves and Has Its Being Comes From Electricity, Says President of American Scientists

"Modern Moses of Science Would Begin Book of Genesis By Saying, In the Beginning God Said: 'Let Electricity Move'," Dr. Pupin Declares.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Great and evident as have been the material services of science there is another—spiritual, aesthetic, intellectual—which Dr. M. I. Pupin, president of the American association for the advancement of science, holds "is the noblest service of science to the human soul." Contemplation of those wonders which men of science have revealed, stimulates man's intellectual and spiritual activity he said in a paper which he read here late today as part of a symposium on the role which science should play in education and human progress.

During the last three centuries, he said, science has revealed three distinct physical realities: the first through the science of

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CARRAWAY TO BE INTERRED TODAY

Body of Childress Engineer Who Died in El Paso Brought Home

SEYMOUR, Dec. 30.—The body of R. G. Carraway, a prominent engineer of North Texas passed through here Wednesday morning en route to Childress where interment will be made. Mr. S. Carraway and her little daughter, Caroline, accompanied by her father, Judge Jo Dickson was joined here by other members of the Dickson family, Mrs. Dickson, Donnell Dickson, Temple Dickson, Mrs. Seth Cockerell and Miss Jo Lee Dickson who will be with her on her sad journey and attend the funeral, to be held Thursday in Childress.

Mr. Carraway has been in failing health for more than a year due to a kidney trouble. He went to Mayo Brothers this summer and was spending the winter in El Paso hoping he would gain strength for an operation but has lost strength steadily for the last month. Judge Dickson was called to the bedside last Wednesday. Death came on Sunday morning.

Mr. Carraway and his wife, the former Miss Anne Dickson, had many friends here. Their courtship began in Childress where she had gone to teach. The marriage took place at the first of the war. He was called to join the corps of engineers. The couple left immediately for the training camp where Mrs. Carraway resided with him until he was called overseas where he spent two years in service of his country.

Mr. Carraway was city engineer of Childress and achieved recognition for his work on a huge dam project near here.

Siki Left Estate Of Less Than $600

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—"Battling" Siki, who once held the world's light heavyweight championship left an estate of less than $600, it was shown by papers filed today by the widow. During his ring career, Siki won what was regarded as a considerable fortune. He was found slain two weeks ago in a street on the West Side.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER IMPROVED, IS REPORT.

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Colonel John C. Coolidge, 81, father of the president, who is ill at his home here, passed a very comfortable night, his physician, Dr. Albert W. Cram of Bridgewater, report today. "The situation perhaps is a little better than might be expected."

TWO MINERS KILLED 2,000 FEET UNDER THE EARTH

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 30.—(AP)—W. B. Brunner, 36, and Emilie Piquet, 35, were killed and three other miners trapped for eight hours by a cave-in 2,000 feet below the surface of a coal mine at Black Diamond, 25 miles south of here yesterday.

Christmas Gift Of Car Brings Death To Wife of Giver

CONWAY, Ark., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Mrs. Elizabeth Cornett Estes, wife of Dan Estes, athletic director at State Teachers' college here, died today of injuries suffered when the automobile she was driving, a Christmas present from her husband, collided with a Missouri Pacific train at a grade crossing. Mr. Estes was injured but will recover. Mrs. Estes was the daughter of L. W. Cornett of Athens, Ohio.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR T. B. CHILDREN PLANNED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Plans for a national hospital and school to be constructed at Albuquerque, N. M., for the treatment of tubercular children between the ages of seven and 15 were announced today by the National Sanitorium for tubercular children a new organization which has established executive headquarters here.

Hearing on Road Injunction Is Set

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Hearing on the temporary injunction sought by Attorney General Dan Moody against the Sherman and Youman's Construction company in the suit of the state seeking to recover approximately $30,000, has been set for January 14, in the 53rd district court of Travis county. L. A. Sherman of the company recently agreed on the date with Moody. He conferred with the highway commission today.

GONZALES MAN IS NAMED CHIEF OF TEXAS U. C. V.

HOUSTON, Dec. 30.—General J. C. Foster, of Houston, commander of the Texas division, United Confederate Veterans, today announced the appointment of Judge W. M. Atkinson of Gonzales as adjutant general and chief of staff.

MA EXTENDS CLEMENCY

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Governor Miriam A. Ferguson today granted one restoration of citizenship, remitted one fine, granted one furlough and extended one furlough.

Bishop Approves Golf On Sunday; Seeks Polo Pony Statues In Church

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Bishop William T. Manning, speaking today before the convention of the National Collegiate Athletic association, approved the playing of golf and tennis on Sunday, provided they do not take the place of proper religious duties. He said he could not see a reason why a "well played game of polo or football is not just as pleasing to God as a beautiful service in a cathedral. He told of plans to have sculptures of polo ponies, football players and figures representing other forms of athletics in the "sports bay" to be inclnded in the completed cathedral of St. John the Divine.

PERMITS FOR YEAR TO RUN OVER 1,692

More Than Doubles In Value Over the Past 12 Months

MARCH IS LEADER

It Exceeds All Others With a Record of Over $800,000

Wichita Falls, riding the crest of the nation's wave of prosperity, has reflected in its 1925 building a part of the sound business and economic condition prevailing here in the past 12 months.

Cold figures compiled here yesterday on the number and value of construction acitivity of the city showed that in the year closing at midnight tonight, building permits issued in Wichita Falls will have amounted to over 1,692 in number, and $5,904,586 in value.

These figures represented the year's work when the office of W. E. McBroom, city clerk, closed Wednesday evening. Today may bring in an additional $20,000 of valuations.

A Tremendous Gain.

Against this figure of practically $6,000,000, the year 1925 showed a building record of $2,343,713 represented by 1,016 separate permits. The year prior to that had a record of $1,747,767 with 531 permits.

As a sample of the consistency with which building construction was pushed here, each one of the 12 months of 1925 exceeded the same month in 1924 in regard to number and value of permits. And still more remarkable is the fact that only two months record in 1924 showed a higher valuation than the lowest month in 1925. March was the high month in 1924 with a record of $391,109. This exceeded both January and February of 1925, the former of which established a mark of $363,410 and the latter $305,310. February was the lightest month of the entire year while March, next following, was the highest with a record of $832,790. May came second in value, while the other months followed as July, September, June, October, April, November, August, December, January and February.

Mostly Residences.

The bulk of this vast building program, of course, has been accomplished through the steady construction of new residences in the city. With the geographic boundaries being extended and the intensive development of new additions, new homes sprang up in an endless series. Most of them have been moderately priced—from $3,000 to $6,000. At the same time, however, the city has seen a goodly share of more expensive residences. Some have run as high as $50,000. Others have fluctuated from $10,000 to $20,000.

In the business line and semi-public building line the city also prospered. Heading this classification, of course, were the two new six story office buildings put up by C. W. Snider and associates. The Harvey-Snider building and Perkins-Snider structures both investments above the $200,000 mark.

Two new hospitals, one put up by Drs. Jones, Lee, Kelf and others, and the second by Drs. Walker, Hargrave, Graham and others have added materially to the total. The new Brown building at Lamar and Ninth and the Barkley garage in the 600 block Scott both have run close to the $100,000 figure.

When the year started several city officials hazarded opinions that 1925 might see a building year of $4,000,000. Then they wondered how foolish they had been in their prediction.

What 1926 will bring is a matter of speculation.

Desert Bones May Be Missing Texan's

PHOENIX, Ari., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Arizona peace officers were stirred to a new search of the desert country along the Hassayampa river today in an effort to determine the fate of John J. Knight, wealthy Dallas, Texas, oil man, who disappeared more than four years ago.

Investigation of the case was revived with the finding of a skull and jaw bone of a man at a vicinity of the desert where Knight was reported last seen.

Knight disappeared on July 29, 1921. His abandoned automobile gave no clue to his fate.

5 WACO CHIROPRACTORS NAMED IN COMPLAINTS

WACO, Dec. 30.—Nine complaints were filed against Waco chiropractors here this afternoon, charging unlawful practice of medicine. Five chiropractors are involved in the charges.

Oil and Gas Magazine Shows 9,107 Barrels Crude Output Decline

The Oil and Gas Journal of Tulsa today states that crude oil production for the United States the past calendar week was 2,014,066 barrels, as against 2,023,173 barrels the previous week, a decrease of 9,107 barrels.

Oklahoma fields it estimates as yielding 459,735 barrels a day, compared with 463,465 barrels the previous week.

Kansas was estimated as doing 102,560 barrels, compared with 102,885 barrels the previous week. North Louisiana did 45,655 barrels against 44,175 the previous week. Arkansas total was put at 194,595 against 196,070.

North Texas did 170,485; Southwest Texas 93,030; East Central Texas 70,320. Total Mid-Continent fields was given as 1,043,350 barrels.

Highest average daily production was the week of May 30 for 2,347,984 and the lowest on Jan. 3 of 1,911,730.

T.-O. News Briefs

QUANAH.—The Quanah Ladies' band will make its initial performance at the Texas Theatre Sunday afternoon. Miss Lee Walker is president and Prof. E. S. Hamilton, director.

CISCO.—Mrs. C. F. Corrathers was painfully burned on the body when her clothing became ignited from a gas heater.

GRANDFIELD.—Gins of this city have totaled 14,942 bales this season according to tabulations made recently.

COMANCHE.—A movement has begun here to send the municipal band to the annual convention of the Lions club at San Francisco next summer.

NIMROD.—Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Wood recently celebrated her hundredth anniversary with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Compton.

ALBANY.—J. C. Miller is planning the construction of one of the most beautiful homes of the city. The new building will be made of native stone.

CHILDRESS.—Annual election of officers of the Childress county farm bureau will be held Saturday afternoon at the chamber of commerce.

SAN ANTONIO.—J. P. Neal, 80, pioneer resident of San Antonio, died at his home today.

VERNON.—Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Pearson of Frederick, Okla., are visiting relatives here. Mr. Pearson was former pastor at Odell and Fargo, moving from Vernon to Amarillo, where he spent last year.

ALBANY.—Work has begun on the Albany Theatre building which is expected to be completed within the next ninety days.

SHERMAN.—Mayor Will Leslie has issued a proclamation naming Friday, Jan. 1 as "Bearcat day" in Sherman, out of respect to the Sherman high school Bellefonte Academy football game at Cashion field here on that day.

FORT WORTH.—Funeral services were held here this afternoon for Fred Klinkman, pioneer resident of Denison, who died at his home here last night.

LAWTON, Okla.—The new Catholic Chapel at Fort Sill has been dedicated.

HOUSTON.—Houston's building total for 1925 went over the $34,500,000 mark by a scant margin today.

ALBANY.—The spillway of Diller Lake, water supply of this city, will be raised two feet, according to present plans, in order to increase the water supply.

HOUSTON.—Hanson Outley, a former Houston negro, has been made head of the army of Liberia, the black republic of Africa.

VERNON.—R. H. Bratton sold a pig here that tipped the scales at 540 pounds.

DALLAS.—A total of 569 felony cases were tried in the two Dallas county criminal district courts during 1925 of which 523 resulted in convictions and only 19 in acquittals.

VERNON.—Mrs. C. H. Duncan, graduate of the Peabody Institute has been engaged to teach in the Fargo high school near here.

2 NEW HOMES UNDER WAY IN CHILDRESS ADDITION.

CHILDRESS, Dec. 30.—Civic improvements continue in the city, and two new homes are nearing completion in Denter Heights. Two other residences will be begun early in 1926.

DERRICK AND RIB LOST IN FIRE NEAR ANGELO

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 30.—Fire Wednesday destroyed the derrick and rig on the Fred Hyer oil test in Howard county when a heavy gas pocket was struck in drilling.

BOY, FEARING LOSS OF DOG, STABS BOBCAT TO DEATH

BOULDER, Colo., Dec. 30.—(AP) Kermit Pierce, 15, killed a large bob cat in Bear canyon south of here yesterday, with his pocket knife. His dog treed the animal and fearful that the cat would kill his pet if they met in combat, Pierce threw a lasso around the bob cat's legs, dragged it from the tree and stabbed it to death.

HIGHER RUBBER MARKET MAKES GOLF BALLS DEARER

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)— The price of golf balls is going up. A large manufacturer has announced that standard balls which have retailed for 75 cents are to sell for 85 cents and the 50-cent variety for 60, the advance being due to the high price of rubber.

CHILDRESS BOY WALKS TO HOUSTON TO GET GLASS EYE

HOUSTON, Dec. 30.—Henry Sutherland, 13-year-old boy of Childress, Texas, walked all the way from Childress to Houston to get a glass eye. Henry was hit on the side of the head two years ago by a baseball bat during a game on the sandlots of Childress, the blow paralyzing his left side, leaving the right eye sightless. Henry got the glass eye today.

NONE OF HIGHER TEXAS COURTS IN SESSION NOW

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)— None of the higher courts were in session here today, the next session being scheduled for January 6. Many of the judges of the supreme, criminal appeals, and civil appeals tribunals are taking advantage of the holidays by going on deer hunts.

Dickeys' Old Reliable Eye Water relieves sun and wind burned eyes. Doesn't hurt. All druggists 25c.—Adv.

News Of The Fields

Wilbarger County

Petroleum Producers No. 7-A, Dill, in section 84, block 14, H&TCRRCO survey, South Vernon, is reported down 400 feet and drilling.

Wilmot Pool

Petroleum Producers-Bridwell-Goltke No. 9, Wilson, in the southwest forty of the southwest quarter of section 26, ATNCL, (lot 11) Wilmot pool in north Archer county, is down about 200 feet and drilling.

SE Baylor County

Petroleum Producers and Cranifll are reported down about 900 feet and drilling on their No. 6, Mills, second location south and east of the northwest corner of block 2427, southwest quarter, TE&LCO survey, southeast Baylor county.

North Harmel

Murchison and Fain and Marland Oil company were reported setting casing to test yesterday on a doubtful looking sand and shale series encountered at about 1,429 feet in their No. 1, Talbot, located in block 2421, north of the Harmel field production, southwest Archer county.

Oldham District

Petroleum Producers and Primrose Refining company were reported spudding yesterday on their No. 2, Wolfe, located 340 feet south of the No. 1, in the SPRRCO survey, abstract 415, west of other production in the Oldham pool, southwest Archer county.

Norday Pool

L. H. Cullum was completing his No. 9, Anderson, on the east side of the Norday pool, yesterday, indications pointing to a well from sand at the usual depth. About three locations east of this on their lease Petroleum Producers are making a location for a test.

East Megargel

Cook and McElreath had sand yesterday and were setting casing to test in their No. 1, Kruger, located approximately in the northwest corner of the southeast quarter of block 2434, TE&LCO survey, east of the Megargel townsite. Sand was topped at 1,419 feet. A core showed plenty of oil.

North Young County

Atlantic Oil Producing company-Suggett-O'Neil No. 1, Perkins, in the northwest corner of block 207, TE&LCO survey, north Young county, was setting casing to test sand yesterday at a depth of 808-21 feet. Casing seat was at 803 feet. It is the second sand stratum encountered in this hole, deemed worth testing, a former at 779 feet having been bailed dry.

NW Archer County

Roy I. Carter No. 3, Parkey, a location south out of the northwest corner of section 11, H&TCRRCO survey, abstract 205, northwest Archer county, was down 1,580 feet yesterday and drilling, with the expectation of picking up the sand either today or tomorrow. This test is located south of the Waite Phillips Mankins production.

South Wichita

Petroleum Producers are making a location for their No. 1-D, Kemp and Allen, almost due north of their No. 16, in the KWVFL district of south Wichita county. The well will be located a short distance south of production, or 850 feet east and 150 feet south of the southwest corner of the northwest forty acres of block 28, of the Moses Roberts survey of this district, south Wichita county. It will get started at once.

NW Harmel Area

Jones et al had the sand yesterday and were reported testing in their No. 4, Darilek, third location north of the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of block 1582, T&LCO survey, northwest Harmel field. The sand had been encountered at 1,422-24 feet. No. 5, near the abadnoned producer in the southwest corner of the lease, was expected to get the sand at about 1,400 feet.

In the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of block 1581, TE&LCO survey, Petroleum Producers and Cranfill No. 1, Portwood, west of the production on the Magnolia Portwood lease and between the northwest Harmel field production and the old Cranfill pool in southeast Baylor county, is spudded and down 300 feet or so.

The Oil Situation

Paul Hedrick in the Tulsa World characterizes the oil industry's position as follows:

General—Very bright future ahead.

Crude—Steady and tight in Mid-Continent. In Eastern fields the pipe lines are threatening an embargo unless producers sell their stored oil.

Refined—Gasoline steady. Kerosene more active. Fuel oil stiffening.

Field—Operators still busy thawing out frozen water lines and trying to resume work after almost a complete shutdown for Christmas and resulting near-zero weather.

Hint Incendiarism In Henrietta Fire

HENRIETTA, Texas, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin last night destroyed the residence of George Sims here. The loss is estimated at $3,000. Mr. Sims will make an investigation, he said.

Farm wages have increased more than 200 per cent during the past 60 years. The peak was reached in 1920 when wages were $47 a month with board.

MAJESTIC BILL DRAWS LAUGHS

Herman Tumberg Proves Himself a Genius At Entertaining

Herman Timberg, jazz fiddlest, dancer both eccentric and otherwise, songster and general all-around comedian, hogs the bill with his associates at the current showing of the Majestic's vaudeville offering and makes 'em like it.

Herman put in three different appearances on last night's card and each time they called for more. A clever line of chatter, tit-for-tat, real musical and dancing ability, coupled with two beautiful young women who knock 'em over with the popular song and dance stuff, along with a first class jazz orchestra that surpasses anything of the type presented this season, Timberg gets over with three acts all of which the humdingers and two of which could headline 'most any vaudeville program. A wildly appreciative audience gave 'em an enthusiastic hand at every turn.

Hits High Spots.

Fact of the matter is, the show as as whole hits the high spot so far of the current season and rocks in right at the opportune moment, New Year's week.

The best bill of the season to date not only shows at today's matinee and in the regular evening performance, but swings into a New Year's frolic tonight, combining at 11:30 for a midnight matinee.

The opening act, labeled "A Chinese Fantasy," is exactly that. And it took exceedingly well Wednesday evening. The team of Ah San and Jo puts over a very entertaining dance act, the violin playing a prominent part, a bit of singing added, that is far superior to the average curtain raiser on the Keith circuit.

Lyons Hits Well.

Jimmy Lyons, the monologist, kept the fans in high good humor with a line of comment on things in general and some things that aren't, and at times sent the crowd into roaring outbursts of mirth and applause.

Torcom Bezazain, the baritone formerly with Marseilles, Nancy, Brinidisi, Venice, and New Orleans opera company, and Edna White, the cornet soloist and singer formerly with Pryor's band, gave to the program something few vaudeville houses have ever presented. In other words, a touch of opera and the classic was brought to Wichita Falls with a vaudeville presentation. Though Timberg and his jazz organization brought applause that shook the building, this city's theatre goers displayed they appreciate the classic just as much, and received the Bezazain-White offering just as enthusiastically, if not more so.

Ladies Orchestra Scores at Seymour

SEYMOUR, Dec. 30.—The Columbia ladies concert orchestra delighted a very appreciative audience who braved the cold on Tuesday evening to hear a program in the city hall auditorium. The company is composed of 15 ladies all of whom are artists under the direction of Frances Knight and with Marie Bassen as soloist.

The orchestra was brought here through the efforts of the parent teachers association of which Mrs. W. B. Alexander is president.

TWO NEGROES INDICTED IN RICH MAN'S MURDER GUILTY

ELDORADO, Ark., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Lee Walker and Roy Edmonds, negroes, indicted Monday on a charge of murder in connection with the slaying of Ira M. Hudson, wealthy Eldorado lumberman, were found guilty today. The verdict carries the death sentence. The negroes are said to have confessed after their arrest but testified yesterday that statements credited to them were made "under pressure."

BOYS DROPPED BURNING PAPER IN MAIL CHUTE

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Two boys caught dropping lighted cigarettes and burning paper into a mail chute at the Santa Fe building here were held today pending an investigation by postal authorities. The boys were apprehended on the sixteenth floor.

WEDDING ANNOUNCED

VERNON, Dec. 30.—Mrs. and Mrs. Kelton Greever announce their marriage, which took place December 13 at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Jean Tonn, in Haskell.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Lee of Munday and is a very charming young woman.

Mr. Greever is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Greever, prominent residents of this city.

INDIA ASKS BRITAIN FOR CONSTITUTION REFORM

LONDON, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Ten labor members of the British house of commons have signed an appeal or manifesto on behalf of the people in India who are seeking the reform of the Indian constitution. The appeal has been timed to coincide with several annual conferences now being held in India.

FAMED YALE FOOTBALL HERO IS PLAGUE VICTIM.

SOUTHERN PINES, N. C., Dec. 30.—Frank Hinkey, 55, one of Yale's best known football players, died here today. He had been ill 14 months with tuberculosis.

U. S. Not Entitled To Highway Refund

AUSTIN, Dec. 30—(AP)—The federal government is not entitled to any of the $600,000 recovered by the state of Texas from the American Road company, Attorney General Dan Moody today wrote J. R. McCarl, comptroller of currency at Washington.

No federal funds were involved in the case, the attorney general of Texas wrote to the question of McCarl as to whether the federal government should be entitled to some of the funds.

Parkers Down Oilers Who Nip Clara Hoopers

Pap Peyton's Texhoma basketeers jumped across country last night, played a game in Iowa Park and then romped over to Clara to stage another.

Brewster's Parkers took a rough and tumble affair from the Oilers, 26 to 24.

The Peyton aggregation then departed for the Belcher stronghold and stormed the Clara fortress for a 34 to 15 victory.

Fillmore, Iowa Park forward, broke loose late in the game to score a quartet of field goals and a free throw for a total of nine points. He was the outstanding performer with the victors who waged a general all-around good game.

Faichney of Texhoma was the high point man with five field baskets and one free throw for 11 tallies.

Francis and Crites each connected for five field goals in the Clara game and with Captain Falcaney who threw four, monopolized the scoring by Texhoma. Faichney scored two free throws. Peyton tabulated two free throws and Thurman made a field goal to round out the 34 points.

Walkup scored four field goals and a free pitch with Clara. The other six points were divided between Garrett, Sehon and Loy Nichols.

The defense work of Howle, Texhoma guard, was a feature of both games.

The Clara Outlaws, led by Farquar, who chunked eleven baskets, beat the Daily Times quint, 56 to 26. This game was played before the Texhoma game at Clara.

Allens Hosts To City Police At Midnight Dinner

The night force dined in style at the city hall Wednesday night when Night Chief Will Allen and his wife appeared with ample basket-loads of chicken sandwiches and all the trimmings of a luxurious basket dinner.

It was a treat to the police department's night workers—every last one of 'em, and was arranged by Mrs. Allen who prepared all the provender and, then sold her hubby to take it down and pass it out.

As a result the streets went unpatrolled for a few minutes while bluecoats sunk their molars into one of the best feeds they ever had, they declared.

KRIM'S ENVOY REFUSED AN AUDIENCE BY FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Premier Briand told the chamber of deputies today while discussing the Moroccan credits that the government tonight will notify Captain Gordon Canning this it is unable to receive him as the question of making peace in the Riff is Spain's affair.

(Captain Canning recently arrived in Paris professing to bear credentials from Abd-el-Krim, the Riffian chief, authorizing him to discuss peace terms with the French.)

ARKANSAS BANK PLACED IN HANDS OF EXAMINER.

HOPE, Ark., Dec. 30.—(AP)—The Hempstead county bank and trust company was placed in the hands of the state bank commissioner today and announcement made that the institution would remain closed pending reorganization. This action followed a brief run late yesterday and is said to have been due to inability to quickly realize on loans. The bank is capitalized at $100,000 and had deposits of approximately $650,000.

SAN ANTONIO MAYOR WILL RECEIVE $8,000 A YEAR.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—Despite the lightest vote in the history of any local election in recente years, th amendment to the city charter providing for salary increases for city officials was approved today at the polls. Partial returns reported at the city hall tonight showed that out of a total of 1,751 votes, only 75 had been cast against the amendment.

As a result of the election, the mayor will draw $8,000 a year instead of $5,000, and each of the commissioners will receive $6,000 instead of $4,000. The city commission will fix the salaries of all other officers and employes.

CHILEAN ENVOY PLEASED WITH TACNA-ARICA PLAN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Senor Beltran Mathieu, retiring Chilean ambassador to the United States at a farewell luncheon given him by the Chile-American association, said today that the Tacna-Arica controversy had been settled "in accordance with the spirit of Chile's claims."

Pack silver in dry flour when storing it for sometime and it will not tarnish.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsilitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store.—Adv.

Landon-Hill Five Defeats Harrold

Landon-Hill defeated the Harrold high school five Wednesday night on the Harrold court, 27 to 19.

The game was furiously contested all the way. The Wichita Falls team was but one point in the lead at the close of the third quarter.

Landon-Hill came back in the final period with a rush, held Harrold scoreless and forged out front with Beck, Van Horn and Kolp looping a field goal each, and a free toss by Van Horn for the final score.

Beck and Van Horn split scoring honors. Each tabulated eight points. Rook made seven points for Harrold and Douglas made six.

Landon-Hill waged a five-man defense with Neal and Rice leading at the guarding.

Harrold presented a speedy quint and forced the Commercial league team to the limit.

Dyle Vaughn, diminutive forward, waged a sweet floor game, and nearly ran the victorious team ragged.

The Harrold Independents defeated the Electra Independents, 34 to 17 on the same court.

Thomas of Electra and Vaughn of Harreld were the outstanding performers.

Crime Wave Hits In Denton County

DENTON, Texas, Dec. 30.—(AP)—A crime wave which has been sweeping neighboring counties struck Denton county last night when one robbery with firearms and two burglaries were committed. An armed masked bandit held up and robbed J. H. Cunningham of about $75 as he was preparing to close his grocery store here.

Burglars broke into the Sweatman Drug company store at Garza and escaped with merchandise valued at between $300 and $500. Several hundred dollars worth of automobile tires were taken from a filling station at Roanoke by burglars who broke into the station last night.

Rob Roanoke Store.

ROANOKE, Texas, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Thieves broke into the store of J. R. Bourland here last night, and stole 25 tires, making their escape in an automobile.

FLASK WAVING BANNED IN S. E. TEXAS ON NEW YEAR'S

BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 30.—(AP)—"Flask waving" parties will be taboo in southeast Texas as a means o fgreeting the New Year, it was announced by C. W. Ware, deputy administrator of prohibition enforcement in east Texas, here today.

VERNON PICKS SOONER STATE MISS FOR BRIDE

VERNON, Dec. 30.—Everett Adams of this city and Miss Jewell Pearson, of Frederick, Okla., were married December 23, at the home of the bride. Her father, Rev. F. D. Pearson, officiated.

M'ALESTER MINISTER AT HIS NEW POST IN WACO

WACO, Dec. 30.—Rev. B. F. Thorn, new pastor of Columbus Baptist church of Waco, has arrived with his family to assume his duties. He comes from McAlester, Okla.



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And S. S. S., that great blood cleanser and builder helps Nature make rich, red blood. You never have to worry with embarrassing skin blemishes when you keep your blood full of healthy red-blood-cells.

Take S. S. S. and have the beautiful skin that belongs to you. And while it's making your skin lovely S. S. S. is giving you renewed strength and energy, too—building firm, plump flesh—increasing your appetite and making you healthy all over. It's the rich, red blood that S. S. S helps Nature build that does it.

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Get S. S. S. today. All drug stores sell it. Get the larger bottle. It's more economical.

SUIT LOOMS ON OKLA. EMBARGO

Injunction Threatened To Combat State's Ban on Ticky Cattle From Texas

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Injunction and mandamus proceedings will be resorted to if necessary to combat the Oklahoma embargo on ticky Texas cattle destined for northern markets, Leo Callan, San Antonio, chairman of the Texas Livestock Sanitary commission, announced here today.

The injunction would be directed against the state board of agriculture of Oklahoma and the mandamus proceedings against the railroads. It was explained appeal to the interstate commerce commission is another step contemplated by Callan, who came to Fort Worth for a conference with Olin Graves, chief cattle inspector for the commission.

X-RAY REVEALS FRACTURE OF SKULL OF VERNON GIRL

VERNON, Dec. 30.—Inez Suggs, who was hurt then run over by a truck, about ten days ago, was operated on at a local hospital. An X-Ray examination revealed that she had sustained a four inch fracture of the skull. Her condition is satisfactory, attending physicians say.

INDUSTRIAL CAMPAIGN IS PLANNED FOR BROWNWOOD

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 30.—The board of directors of the chamber of commerce met last night and discussed plans for active industrial campaigns for the coming year. A successor to Secretary H. G. Lucas, who recently resigned in order to give attention to private interests, has not been selected.

DALLAS LUMBER MAN IS A VISITOR IN CHILDRESS.

CHILDRESS, Dec. 30.—Temple Morrow, lumber merchant of Dallas, and Mrs. Morrow are guests of his mother, Mrs. A. R. Hanna.

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STRAYED or STOLEN

Black, tan and white spotted English Setter dog, answers to the name of "Rodney," disappeared from my residence on Lucile street Saturday.

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IOWA SITUATION IS "CYCLONE IN A CRIB."

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—(AP)—The political and agricultural situation in Iowa is a "cyclone in a corn crib," in the opinion of W. I. Drummond, chairman of the American farm congress. This "radical movement" he declared in a statement issued here today, "can not help but interfere with the effective handling of the farm situation which is admittedly unsatisfactory and in most instances serious."

SOCIETY

...nouncement is made of the marriage of Mrs. Vera Hardwick to J. D. White, the ceremony being read by the Rev. Milo Atkinson at the First Christian parsonage Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock in the presence of a few intimate friends of the couple.

Both young people are well known and prominent here both in business circles and socially. Mr. White is office deputy in the sheriff's office, while Mrs. White was formerly connected with the county clerk's office.

Mr. and Mrs. White are at home at 2139 Avenue K.

Miss Fisk Honoree At Guardian Ceremonial

Complimenting Miss Glenore Fisk, former Campfire executive, a lovely Christmas ceremonial party was given by local Campfire Guardians' association at the home of Miss Mary McIlheran, local executive Tuesday evening.

The dimly lighted living room was decorated in the Christmas colors for the affar with a Chrstmas tree in the background. A short and beautiful ceremonial was held including the singing of Christmas carols.

Miss Fisk told of the Campfire work in Chicago, where she is one of the field secretaries, and also gave an interesting account of the six weeks camp where she was employed as woodcraft councillor. Games and singing formed a part of the diversion for the evening.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Daisy Ayres, T. N. Colligan, Bob Mansell, Anna Barnhill, O. E. Smith and Misses Thelma Bridges, Muriel and Marjorie Jones, Edith Crump, Betty Lowe Rugeley, Gracia and Barbara Swanson, Florine Angell, Florence Redwine, Marguerite McCord, Phyllis Creighton, Ella Craig, Corrine Elrod, Thertesa Kauffman, Edna Skaggs, besides the honoree.

The hostess was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Wm. McIlheran and two sisters, Mrs. Frank W. Jones and Mrs. I. W. Bartholomew.

Frijay Bridge Club Entertains Husbands

A pretty party of the holiday season was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Randle on Eleventh street Tuesday evening when members of the Frijay club entertained their husbands at bridge.

In the games prizes were won by Mesdames W. E. Lawrence, W. L. Renfro, O. W. Dean and Messrs. C. W. Stice, W. L. Renfro and W. H. Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pitman gave entertaining musical numbers, and Mrs. Pitman gave a group of readings.

Miss Kathleen Randle assisted by Miss Roberta King, served refreshments to Messrs. and Mesdames R. H. Peterson, W. E. Lawrence, A. W. West, M. A. Beckman, W. L. Renfro, C. W. Stice, Leonard Grayson, W. H. Street, R. H. Houston, W. J. McCalister, E. A. Skalinder, J. S. Pitman, O. W. Dean, A. E. Nelson, C. C. Randle and C. C. Randle Jr.

Mrs. Hagen Will Be Hostess To Club

Mrs. Roy Hagen will be hostess to the Priscilla club at her home, 1513 Eleventh street, this afternoon.

Miss Anna Mae Cato To Present Pupils

Miss Anna Mae Cato will present 30 of her most advanced dancing pupils in recital Friday evening at the Wichita club. The costumes are expected to be unusually beauti... and the program is promised to be one of the best of the season. The public is invited.

Mrs. Barnett Hostess To Athenian Club

Mrs. Paul Barnett will be hostess to the Athenian club at her home, 1307 Marshall street this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Watch Party At Golf Club This Evening

A watch party and dance will be given at the Municipal Golf club this evening, from 9 to 12 o'clock, according to an announcement made by the club manager, J. T. Yeargin. Shay's Blue Chasers will play and there will be other entertainment features. Refreshments will be served.

Society Personals

Mrs. J. E. Lawrence of Houston has returned home after a six weeks' visit with Mrs. J. H. Fowler.

Misses Edyth and Clair Maricle are spending the holidays in Austin where they are guests of Mrs. L. L. Kerr.

Miss Mary Jo Kell has returned to Colorado college, Colorado Springs. She was accompanied by her father, Frank Kell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Adams on Boston street announce the arrival of a baby daughter, Peggy Ruth.

A delightful dance of the holiday season will be given Friday evening at the Country club when Arch Greenwood, Kemp Maer, Mark Walker and James Mytinger will entertain members of the school set.

Mrs. Josephine Blair Hughes and daughter, Mildred, of Dallas, are guests of Mrs. W. N. Maer. Mrs. Hughes formerly lived here and will be remembered by a host of friends as Miss Josephine Blair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Blair.

EVERYTHING

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matter in motion; the second through the science of electricity in motion, and the third dthrough the science of cosmic energy in motion.

All From Electrons.

"Everything that moves and has its being in this boundless universe," said Dr. Pupin, "seems to be deriving its breath of existence from electrical forces which have their orgiin ni the tiny electrons," these he termed "the unchangeable granules of that subtle substancej which we call electricity."

"The Book of Genesis, composed by a Moses of modern science," he continued, "would probably start as follows:

"'In the beginning God said: let electricity move, and the embryo of the universe began to form.'

Try to Strangle Truth.

The fight of knowledge against ignorance "is not a conflict between science and religon," Dr. Edwin E. Slosson, editor of "science service," declared in a paper which was read for him, "but essentially their common cause against a common fault of the human mind and mass psychology."

"All through the history of science," his paper read, "we find that new ideas have to force their way into the common mind in disguise, as though they were burglars instead of benefactors of the race. Democracy, which is born of freeom, may in turn strdangle its mother."

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Building Goes On At Day Nursery; Finish March 15

Construction of the new Day Nursery building is progressing rapidly, although operations have ceased for a few days because of a delay in materials on the way from Ohio, according to statements from contractors yesterday. The brick work is practically completed, and window and door facings have been placed. It is expected, however, that the building will be completed by March 15.

The roof will be put on in five days after the steel beams, which are delayed, are placed. When the roof is on, plastering, painting and the laying of the floors will be done rapidly, it was said.

The Day Nursery is being built under the auspices of the Federated Missionary society and the Kiwanis club of this city, the new building to take the place of the ol done located at 502 Lamasr street, where almost fifty small children are cared for daily.

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CURDS TO BILOXI, MISS.

P. B. Curd, local agent for the Protective Life Insurance company, will leave Friday noon with Mrs. Curd for Biloxi, Miss., to attend the annual convention of the insurance company. Agents from all parts of the country will be in attendance.

The Curds will travel overland and will be gone about 10 days.

MAY SUE RECEIVER.

Permission was granted by Judge P. A. Martin of the eighty-ninth district court yesterday afternoon to J. T. Gates, present receiver of the Merchants and Planters Bank of Henrietta, and to Clay county to bring and prosecute suits against W. J. Mangum, former receiver of the bank and his bondsmen upon allegations explained in the application.

The plaintiffs contended that in the administration numerous unlawful preferences and unauthorized settlements were made and gross mismanagement occasioned the depletions of the assets of the bank and losses to the creditors and the depositors. They also alleged that Mangum was under a bond furnished by the American that it is necessary to bring suit against the said former receiver and Surety company of New York and his bond.

Odd Fellows Will Confer Degrees

The Royal Purple degree staff of Wichita Falls Encampment No. 6 of the I. O. O. F. will confer the Royal Purple degree on the candidates from the Electra encampment tonight at the hall, Ninth and Travis street, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Those participating in the work include: W. R. McConnell, chief patriarch; Wilford Scofield, chief patriarch; L. E. Wilson, high priest; Carl Meade, junior warden; C. H. Mann, guide; Ralph Dick, first watch; Albert Ayers, second watch; Jimmie Giddings, third watch; Homer Vaughn fourth watch; George Dunn, inside guard; J. T. Martin, first guard; M W. McGinnis, second guard; W. B. McHam, and C. H. Hays, shepherds; John York, musician and W. B. Mcneely, custodian.

Following the ceremonies in which all branches of the Odd Fellows and Rebeccas will be represented will be a watch party. An interesting program is promised, and among the numbers will be a radio concert when it is planned that all may hear the ringing of the old Liberty Bell at Philadelphia.

"Body Food" Taken As Lecture Subject

"Body Food Requirements" was the subject of the lecture and discussion which Miss Beatrice Hall, nutritionist, working under the direction of the local chapter of Red Cross, gave before the mothers of the class in food selection recently organized in Austin school in a meeting Wednesday morning at the First Presbyterian church.

Beginning next week, the Austin mothers' class will meet on Wednesday and Fridays at 10 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, and the Alamo class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Floral Heights Methodist church at the same hour. The classes are doubling their work in order that they may complete the course before March 1 when Miss Hall's work here closes.

The classes are working for Red Cross certificates given to the women who complete the course of study consisting of 12 or 15 lessons on which they pass an examination.

Two Residences Burn Wednesday

Fire damaged two homes in Wichita Falls Wednesday. A two-story fram residence occupied by J. E. Brown, 1607 Lucile, was damager to the extent of $2,000, and the home of Dr. W. P. Lowry, 1701 Buchanan, was damaged approximately $30 by a fire originating from a defective rubber hose attachment to a gas stove.

How the fire originated in the Brown residence owned by the Wichita Mill and Elevator company, is not known, however, it is believed to have started on the rear porch of the house. No report was turned in by neighbors, and a motorman on the Seventeenth street car line gave the alarm to the men at station four.

TACNA-ARICA SURVEY TO BE RESUMED IN APRIL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Survey work by the boundary commission in connection with the Tacna-Arica arbitration award is expected to be resumed in the latter part of April.

GREEN URGES INSURANCE AND BENEFITS FOR LABOR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The value of working men's compensation laws, old age pensions, labor insurance, out of work benefits and other means of making the lives of wage earners more comfortable were outlined there tonight by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor in advancing the American Association of Labor legislation. Mr. Green emphasized that American ways must be caused to correct American wrongs.

BURDEN ON HIS BROTHERS, SAN DIEGO MAN ENDS LIFE.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Rather than continue an expense to his two brothers, Edward Erickson, 45, former resident of Moorhead, Minn., slashed both his wrists and then turned on the gas in his hotel room here. Erickson was dead when found by one of the brothers.

MEMBERS OF AUXILIARY CONDUCT PRAYER SERVICE.

The prayer service at the First Baptist church last night was conducted by members of the Woman's Auxiliary of which Mrs. Fred Barron is leader.

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PILLOW CASES, Pepperell and Premium, a real value, 4 for $1.00 $1 For 4

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32-INCH GINGHAM, Plaids, checks and solid colors, values up to 35c. $1 For 6 Yards

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Men's Cotton Half Hose, black and cordovan 12 PAIR
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PER PAIR MEN'S LEATHER GLOVES $1.50 Values
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$1

Boys Sweaters, values to $3.00 EACH
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Men's Dress Shirts, neckband and collar attached, good patterns EACH
MEN'S JERSEY KNIT GLOVES 6 PAIR
$1

FOR 2 PAIR BOYS' UNION SUITS, $1.00 Values
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LAWSON AND MUNSEY

The recent death in New York of Frank A. Munsey, famed metropolitan publisher, and the sale about the same time of the Chicago Daily News, one of the truly great newspapers of the world, recalls an interesting contrast in newspaper work.

The News attained its status through the life-time energies of one man—the late Victor Freemont Lawson, whose ability and vision built it into a factor of nation-wide importance. Incidentally it brought to him a fortune of millions. Lawson was not a newspaper manipulator. He did not deal in papers on a wholesale basis and the Daily News was the only publication he ever owned or operated in his life. He was pre-eminently a great editor and a great publisher—a man who delighted in improving an already well-night perfect product.

Munsey, on the other hand, was a business man. During his lifetime he bought, sold or consolidated nearly a score of papers, some great; some not so great. His interest lay in the business angle almost entirely. If he saw a publishing field overcrowded he bought papers and consolidated them—and in so doing he amassed a fortune greater, even, than Lawson's.

Munsey probably knew less about the operation of a newspaper than the most lowly cub in the editorial room. He probably cared less. It is said that the only time he ever went into one of his plants was to see that his orders against smoking while on duty were being obeyed. Once, when he was having trouble with the old Boston Journal he offered a very ordinary editor $25,000 a year to assume full charge of the paper.

Lawson was the exact opposite. He could write an account of a back-alley dog fight, cover a political convention, write advertising copy, put on circulation campaigns, make up a page or run a press.

Both of these men won honor as great publishers. Both contributed a real service to the journalistic field—but of the two, which got the most genuine fun out of it?

It is idle to ask.

THEY DEMAND PRIMARY LAW APPEAL

American Legionnaires in the city of Waco have started something. James Edmond Post No. 21 is responsible for the start. These former service men adopted a resolution favoring repeal of the primary election law and amendments "to cure the evils now apparent." The post has a legislative committee, and the chairman of that committee has advised his fellow legionnaires that prosecution of the new policy should be a major objective of the post the coming year.

No doubt the primary election law has many defects. Its coming destroyed representative democracy, and substituted for representative government mass government. There are first class citizens of Texas and they are found in all American states, who believe that the primary election law should be repealed, and the people should go back to the convention system for the selection of candidates for office, or rather for the selection of public servants from the highest to the lowest office in the state.

There are thousands of Texans who are opposed to the primary election law and who would willingly vote for its repeal, if given an opportunity. No doubt there are thousands who favor the system and will cling to it, even to fighting for it to the last ditch. Why should high court judges be selected by the primary election law method? Why should the judges of the minor courts? Why should the judiciary be dragged into politics? Why compel judges who have been loyal to the constitution and the law, be compelled to go before the people, in a direct primary sense, when they offer for re-election?

Of course, the primary election system was a long time acoming. It may be a long time agoing, but the Waco Legionnaires have started something and if they push it vigorously there will be some high spots in the campaign in the year 1926. As a curtain raiser, the Legionnaires should advise all men and women of voting age to pay poll tax. They should advise all men and women of voting age who have acquired the habit of reading to likewise acquire the habit of thinking.

After they have acquired the habits of reading and thinking, doubtless a majority will acquire the habit of voting for men of high ideals who are loyal to the constitution made by the fathers of the republic and to the tradition of the early days of the republic. When the World war was on, these men who are calling for a repeal of the primary election law never hesitated. They announced their willingness to leave their jobs, to shoulder rifles, to cross the ocean and to fight and die if necessary, for liberty and justice and all other fundamentals of a free government.

Now if they do not like the workings of the primary election law in their home state, why shouldn't they inaugurate a movement for its repeal and ask their fellow citizens in the two hundred and fifty Texas counties to rally around their standard and join forces with them in an organized movement for the repeal of the primary election law in order that the people who art the masters will be given public servants who are more to their liking and of a higher order of efficiency than those who are the products of the system.

It is true they may be whipped to a frazzle in the early skirmishes of the repeal movement, but it is the fighters in politics who never desert their guns who bring about repeal of laws which are not satisfactory and turn minorities into majorities. Remember the first aid to any movement, repeal or otherwise, which is settled at the ballot box is for a citizen to be armed with a poll tax receipt. There are two million men and women of voting age in Texas. Now what are they doing for God and country in a voting way. What do they intend to do?

Are they going to qualify as voters or are they going to be numbered among the paupers, the idiots, the ex-convicts and a great many people who are in this free land for economic reasons and yet have neglected to become naturalized citizens. A vote isn't a privilege. It is a trust, a sacred trust as well as a distinctive honor.

THREE EXECUTIONERS

Evolution is dead in Texas. It has been decapitated by three school teachers, who are members of the state text book commission. They have used their blue pencils until there is not a vestige left of evolution, its origin or its teachings, in the text books to be used in the public schools of Texas. By order of the state, or rather its agents clothed with the power of the state, the executioners performed their work.

So far, so good, but books on evolution will be printed just as long as printing presses run, and books will be bought by seekers for knowledge just as long as there is money in the land to pay for the books. It is impossible to kill an idea. If it is fundamentally weak, it will perish without the application of the battle axe of an agent of the state. If it is fundamentally right, it will triumph, regardless of the state or its agents.

Christ came with the gospel of chrisianity. His teachings are sublime. He is the greatest figure of history, and His story is the greatest story ever told. Neither the Divine master or His gospel need the aid of the state to preserve that gospel from extinction, suppression or to guard it from those whose pigmy hands would attempt to stay its mark around the world to find lodgment in the heart of men and women of all climes and races.

Uncommon Sense

ALL THE TIME YOU NEED

Mr. Arnold Bennett in a very excellent little essay reminds us that rich and poor, able and stupid, we all start even in the matter of time, each of us while we live having a given number of twenty-four hour days each containing sixty minute hours composed of sixty second minutes.

That we thus get "an even break" is not true. For some people are able by reason of natural gifts to make far better use of their time than others.

As well say that a natural gambler with a million would have the same start in life as Mr. John D. Rockefeller with the same sum.

But the average person has all the time he needs.

That is to say, if he will employ his time to the best advantage he can get as much accomplished as can be reasonably expected from him, considering who he is and how he is equipped mentally.

The great majority of us have far more time than we ever need and are often hard put to employ it, which accounts for mah jongg and cross word puzzles and many other methods of driving boredom away.

Napoleon though is active life was short had more time than a man of such destructive propensities ought to have been allowed.

He used it very badly, and sowed seeds of trouble that have not all yet come to fruition.

Darwin and Spencer and Huxley might have used a greater allotment of time to advantage.

Keat's time was too short, but that was because he lived in an age when the malady from which he died was not understood.

The poor poet was starved and made to undergo all manner of troture which killed him long before he should have died.

Had he lived in this age he would have been sent to Switzerland, given plenty to eat, kept out in the sun, and brought back to England a well man.

But genius has nothing to do with us average people.

For the work we have to do there is plenty of time, and enough left over to give us abundant opportunity of recreation.

The right kind of an education is not one that stuffs heads full of fact, but one which teaches the intelligent daily use of time. Given that, and there is no excuse for complaint that art is long and time is fleeting.

The time seems to be approaching when man's pan will be increased from three score and ten to at least a hundred.

But in the three score and ten there are enough days to accomplish a great deal, not only in the way of achieving individual independence, but of doing a little something to make others happy, and to make the world a little bit brighter.

If all the time that has been thrown away had been well used we should be over and done with war by now, sickness would have disappeared from the face of the earth, and poverty would be shared only by those who refuse to fight against it.

What Texas and Oklahoma Editors Say

Unfortunately, the man who was late on his wedding day was not late enough.—Sulphur Times.

'Nother sign of the times: The Boston & Maine railroad finds its old engine houses make fine garages for its new busses.—Cisco News.

People in Scotland are not so dumb. In Glasgow, a doctor was fined for prescribing expensive medicines.—Muskogee Times Democrat.

Our idea of a thoughtful husband is the Marietta man who digs up new stories to tell before company so his wife won't be worried with old ones.—Marietta Herald.

Few of our larger public monuments have been erected to commemorate gentlemen who were in the habit of putting it off a couple of weeks to see how things shaped up.—Okmulgee Daily Democrat.

A man is shot while cleaning a loaded gun, or a child looks down the muzzle of a gun while its daddy is monkeying with the weapon and is shot and killed or badly wounded! Yes, reports of this kind are read almost every day. The strange thing is that people do not learn sense enough to unload a gun when they quit shooting it.—Foard County News.

School house campaigns are being conducted over East Texas for the purpose of educating the farmers to raise the best varieties of cotton. A united fight is being made against half-and-half. Childress county farmers who have ordered this variety of seed should cancel the orders or feed the seed. There is plenty of good registered cotton seed in Texas that will produce a much better staple. Plant the best.—Childress Index.

SNAPSHOTS OF A BABY WITH A BUTTON MISSING By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



"Love Bound In Wichita Falls"

By the Author of 'The Flapper Wife'

READ THIS FIRST:

FLOSSIE and MARY ROSE MIDDLETON are two pretty sisters, the daughters of a widowed mother. They work for the Dexter Automobile company.

Mary Rose is secretary to the sales manager, **JOHN MANNERS**, and is in love with him. He is engaged to marry **DORIS HINIG**, an heiress. Because of her feeling for him Mary Rose repeatedly refuses to Marry TOM FITZROY, a young doctor.

Flossie, a born vamp, helps keep the files under **MISS MACFARLANE**. Mary Rose discovers she is carrying on a flirtation with the president of the company, **HILARY DEXTER**, although she's engaged to SAM JESSUP, Dexter's secretary. Dexter, who's married, gives her many presents, among them a gold vanity case. When Mary Rose orders her to return them, Flossie threatens to leave home.

Then one day Mary Rose comes upon her in Dexter's arms, and when she scolds Flossie, the girl brazenly tells her it's not her fault she's so attractive to men. And she accuses Mary Rose of trying to lure Manners from Doris, who has become very jealous of her. At last Manners tells Mary Rose that he loves her, and explains how he and Doris drifted into an engagement long ago, that now means little to either of them.

One night Flossie comes home at dawn, drink befuiled, and MRS. MIDDLETON decides to take her in hand. But it's too late, and Flossie goes her own wild way, joy riding Dexter or dancing with Sam Jessup every night in the week.

Miss MacFarlane complains to Dexter about her laziness, and loses her job. Flossie becomes head of the department, quarrels with her assistant, and gets everything into a snarl So Dexter puts Sam in to help her, and sends for Mary Rose to take dictation. While Mary Rose is in his office, MRS. DEXTER bursts in upon them and accuses Mary Rose of trying to "vamp" her husband. She has found Flossie's vanity case in her husband's car and mistakes Mary Rose for Flossie. Dexter lies to his wife, and finally persuades her that Flossie must have left the case in the car when she was in it with Sam Jessup who, he says, used the car to go on an errand the day before. The whole office hears the row, and eye Mary Rose coldly when she leaves the office carrying the tell-tale case. On her own desk she finds a letter, in unfamiliar handwriting.

(Now go on with the story)

She found Flossie and Sam seated on the table in the midst of a great confusion. Papers and books were piled on chairs, window sills and upon the tops of steel filing cases.

"Getting things straightened out, Sam?" Mary Rose asked.

Flossie gave him no chance to answer. "No, we're having a grand old row!" she said hotly, and swung around on the table, swinging her slim legs in their thin stockings. Her face was flushed and her eyes sparkled with anger. "Sam's clinglonging me again about getting married!"

Mary Rose gave a half laugh.

"You talk as if her were insulting you, Floss," she said.

"Doesn't she?" Sam appealed to Mary Rose as his ally. "You'd think I didn't have a right to ask the girl I'm engaged to, to get married—"

"And you haven't, either!" Flossi almost shouted at him, in her fury. "Not on $50 a week, you poor sap! How do you think we're going to get along on $50 a week?"

"Lots of people do it, and live well, too," Sam answered her mildly. "Six months ago when I was getting $40, you said you'd take a chance when I was making $50. You promised."

Flossie smiled a secret, scornful smile at him. "Six months ago—yes," she said, and her voice was liquid silver, again. "But I've changed a lot in six months. I've been looking around and—I've seen things I want. Things that you couldn't begin to buy me on $50 a week!"

Sam stared at her, his mouth working. He adored Flossie Middleton as one man always adores the Flossie type of girl who is nothing but a beautiful toy to other men—blindly and worshipfully. For him, she was the only girl in the world.

"What things, Floss?" he asked.

Flossie tossed her head with its golden shimmer of curls. She didn't answer.

But Mary Rose knew exactly what she meant. She meant the things that Hilary Dexter had given her—French perfumes and American Beauty roses, Coty's perfumes and $20 dinners, gold vanity cases and star sapphire rings.

She knew that he had created in Flossie an unquenchable thirst for these things. And that Flossie was like a baby tiger that has tasted blood—she had tasted luxury and was satisfied with the paltry gifts of Sam no longer.

As Mary Rose's fingers found the gold vanity case that even now lay hidden in the pocket of her dress, she hated Hilary Dexter as she never had hated any one in all her life.

Encouraged by Flossie's silence, Sam began again boldly: "We could get a four-room flat somewhere—"

"Four room flat!" Flossie broke in angrily. "A while ago you were going to buy a cottage out in Brookamar! Now you're talking four-room flat! After a while you'll be down to two rooms up over a garage, I suppose. Well, you can live in 'em, yourself. Because I won't marry you. I won't—do it."

Her voice was suddenly as cold and as measured as the slow dripping of an icicle.

Sam looked helplessly at Mary Rose. "I don't know where she's going to find anybody with more money than I have," he said, with pathetic pride. "There's not a fellow in our crowd who makes $50 a week—"

Flossie's scorn of their "crowd" was in her voice when she answered him. "In our crowd!" she sneered. "In our crowd! Don't you suppose I know any men outside our crowd?"

Sam looked at her and he seemed to forget that Mary Rose was there in the room with them. He got down from the table and took Flossie in his arms. For a moment she melted against him and raised her mouth, that was just the shape of a kiss against his mouth. Then she pushed him away, with a harsh little laugh and a shrug of her perfect shoulders.

"Oh, I like you, right enough!" she said carelessly, "but I'm not going to marry you—"

She turned to Mary Rose. "Think of the nerve of him! He wants to get a marriage license today! Wouldn't that knock you for crepe!"

Mary Rose turned to Sam. "Sam, will you let me talk to her for a minute?" she asked. "Alone?"

"There's no use in talking to me. My mind is made up!" Flossie cried. "So you may as well stay here, Sam." But Sam was already halfway down the stairs.

"What's your mind made up to do?" Mary Rose asked her. "To keep on running around with Mr. Dexter the way you have been?"

Flossie eyed her sullenly. "I don't see where it's any of your business what I'm going to do, Mary Rose," she said. "So you may as well dry up and blow away."

She turned her back on her sister and walked over to the mirror between the windows. She hummed as she began to fluff powder over her small, saucy nose.

"You make me nervous, staring at me like an owl," she threw over her shoulder, presently. "I wish you'd get out and let me do my work in peace!"

Mary Rose couldn't restrain a laugh. "Do your work? This place doesn't look as if you'd done a lick of work in it since Miss MacFarlane left!" she said.

She came across the room to Flossie, and turned toward her so that she could look full into the stubborn little face.

"You're turning Sam down because of Mr. Dexter, aren't you?" she asked.

Flossie closed her eyes and squirmed, trying to wrench herself out of her sister's hold. But, after all she was only a little thing and she was no match for Mary Rose.

"And you're a little fool," the older girl went on, as if Flossie had answered her. "You're nothing more to him than an amusement—something a little more exciting than his game of golf or—"

"Shut up!" Flossie snapped at her, opening her blazing blue eyes. She stamped her foot. "Don't you dare to talk that way to me! Why Hilary Dexter would marry me tomorrow, if I'd let him! And I'm going to let him! See? See? See?" She thrust her face, dead whtie with anger, close to her sister's.

And with one supreme effort she tore herself away from Mary Rose.

The room was between them.

Mary Rose shook her head. "No, he'll never marry you, Floss," she said, and her voice was so low and level that Flossie listened to her. It was the voice people use when they are telling the cold truth.

"He'll never marry you or any one else," she went on. "If his wife wanted to divorce him, he'd do everything he could to keep her from doing it. Do you know why?"

Flossie shook her head the tiniest bit.

"Because she's not only his wife. She stands for a lot of other things—his family, and his friends, and his position in the world." Mary Rose told her sensibly. "He may not love her, but he loves those things. They're what he's been working to have all his life. Can't you see that?"

Flossie closed her eyes and laughed her cold little rippling laugh.

"Have you really lived 22 years without finding out that what a man wants most in the world is a thrill, Angel-child?" she asked sneeringly. "If it'll make you feel any better I'll tell you something—Dex told me last night that he can't live without me and that he isn't going to try to much longer!"

"But that doesn't mean that he's going to divorce his wife to marry you," Mary Rose said in that same level voice. Suddenly she put her hand into her pocket and drew out Flossie's gold vanity case.

"For Pete's sake! Where did you get that?" Flossie asked in surprise. I thought I'd lost it."

"You left it in Mr. Hilary Dexter's car last night," her sister answered. "I got it from Mrs. Hilary Dexter!"

(To Be Continued)

Mary Rose sacrifices her honor to protect Flossie in tomorrow's installment.

THE BEST OF ADVICE

By Clark Kinnaird



DO YOU BELIEVE TWO AND TWO MAKE FIVE?

Members of the University of Pisa, and other onlookers, were assembled at the foot of the leaning tower in that city one morning in the year 1591.

A professor climbed the spiral staircase until he reached the gallery surmounting the seventh tier of arches.

The people below watched him as he balanced two balls on the edge of the gallery, one weighing a hundred times more than the other.

The balls were released at the same instant and were seen to keep together as they fell through the air until they were heard to strike the ground at the same moment.

Nature had spoken with no uncertain sound, and had given an immediate answer to a question debated for two thousand years.

"This meddlesome Galileo must be suppressed," murmured the university fathers as they left the square. "Does he thinks that by showing us that a heavy and a light ball fall to the ground together he can shake our belief in the philosophy which teaches that a ball weighing one hundred pounds will fall one hundred times faster than one weighing a single pound? Such disregard of authority is dangerous, and we will see that it goes no further."

So they returned to their books to explain away the evidence of their senses; and they hated the man who had disturbed their philosophic serenity.

For putting belief to the test of experiment, and founding conclusion upon observation, Galileo's reward in his old age was imprisonment by the Inquisition, and a broken heart.

This is how a new scientific method is regarded by guardians of traditional doctrine.

We still hate men who disturb us by telling us that something we believe is wrong.

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When men are striving for the discovery of truth in its various manifestations, they learn that it is by correcting the mistakes of preceding investigators that progress is made, and they have charity for criticism.

Hence persecution for difference of opinion becomes an absurdity, and such affairs of the Scopes trial become, in so-called enlightened times, farces.

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"The labors of scientific men are forming a great body of doctrine that can be appealed to with confidence in all countries.

"Such labors bring people together, and tend to break down national barriers and restrictions," says Sir Richard Gregory, in "Discovery," quoting Prof. Asaph Hall.

"The scientific creed is constantly growing and expanding, and we have no fears and rejoice at its growth.

"We need no synod of ministers to tell us what to believe.

"Everything is open to investigation and criticism."

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Science does not say, "Be my brother or I will persecute you," but, "Follow me, and light shall be given you."

It does not ask for the acceptance of any statement or principle purely as matters of faith, but as truthful records or reasonable conclusions, capable of verification by all who care to investigate them independently.

PETER'S ADVENTURES IN ANIMAL LAND

By Mrs. Florence Smith Vincent





Turn About, Fair Play.

"Grr! What fun can there be in slipping about in icy water? I know all about seal-catching and I'd rather take my chance on being stung by a swarm of Bees than on catching one fat seal. I know how 'tis done, too. Oh, I could tell you all about it if I wanted to," declared Father Growly suddenly.



TROT FAST WAS A GYPSY. HE LOVED TO WANDER.

All this while the Father Bear had been straining that one ear of his to hear what his mate was saying, and he'd found it so interesting that he had been backing up, a step at a time, until now he was one of the little group.

"Oh, Daddy, Daddy, tell us how the White Bear goes hunting for a seal!" clamored Roly-Poly and her little brother. But Daddy started just as though he had suddenly remembered something and shook his head.

"Can't!" grunted he, and somehow Peter the boy knew Father Growly really wanted to very much. "Haven't time. I'm on duty, you know. It would never do for your Mother and I to be off guard both at once."

Mother Growly looked up at her mate and grinned her wide Bear grin.

"Let's change places, mate!" growled she. "I have grunted so long that my throat is sore. Now you take your turn at using your tongue and I will take mine at testing my eyes."

Setting her Cubs on their little flat feet, Mother Growly stood up, stretched herself and walked slowly to the edge of the clearing, and Father Growly took her place as story-teller, a Cub upon each knee.

"When I was a youngster 'bout as big as you," began he, and cuddled his little boy close, "I had a friend named Trot-Fast. Now Trot-Fast was a gypsy, he loved to wander, but when we were Cubs together he promised me that once a year he would come back to the old home in the woods, meet me beneath the big horse chestnut tree and tell me of the wonderful sights he had seen and the friends he had made since we parted And be always has. 'Tis from him I heard the story of the seal hunt. I will tell it to you just as Polar Bear told it to Trot-Fast."

Next—How Polar Bear Got His Name.

Every Citizen Is Short One Bushel Of Spuds, U.S. Says

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A(P)—Every man, woman and child in the United States is short about one bushel of the allowance of potatoes, it was officially disclosed today. However, new potatoes from Texas are beginning to arrive and should help somewhat to relieve the semi-famine.

According to a report from the government bureau of agricultural economics this year's crop is equal to only 2.8 bushels per capita for the entire population against 3.75 bushels in 1924. Nevertheless a few states, especially Maine and Colorado, have more potatoes than expected. An increase of 3,200,000 bushels in Maine makes that state by far the leading potato state.

COOLIDGE IS ASSAILED FOR HIS FARM POLICY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Charging President Coolidge had "taken to the tall timbers" in his agricultural policy, Representative Aswell of Louisiana, the ranking Democratic member of the house agricultural committee, declared today he would fight any administration farm bill along the terms of the McNary-Haugen farm export corporation measure.

FIRE ALARM SAVES SIX FIREMEN FROM GAS FUMES.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—A fire alarm at 5:30 o'clock this morning possibly saved the lives of six New Orleans firemen. It roused them from their beds as gas fumes had almost rendered them unconscious. Their cries brought assistance from other firemen.

Debs Starts New Socialist Paper

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Eugene V. Debs' new socialist publication, "American Appeal," appeared today, proclaimed by the editor in chief in an "international greeting" as the "exponent of the international socialist movement as well as the official mouthpiece of the socialist party of America."

The initial copy appeared as a seven-column four-page weekly, containing a "Debs column," a signed article by Upton Sinclair, several articles and stories by lesser lights and much editorial comment.

CASES AGAINST COLLEGE DELEGATES ARE DELAYED.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 30.—(AP)—By agreement between attorneys for the defendants and the court cases against five delegates to the annual convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon who were arrested Monday night have been continued until Jan. 6.

The five men were alleged to have been congregated in a room at a local hotel with Joseph S. Vogt, another delegate, shortly before he was killed in an elevator accident early yesterday.

DALLAS SADDLERY FIRM'S WAREHOUSE IS DESTROYED

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed a warehouse belonging to the G. H. Schoellkoph Saddlery company early today, causing a loss estimated at $10,000. The warehouse was destroyed in a previous fire last summer.

FEWER DIVORCE SUITS

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—There were 150 less suits for divorce filed in Bexar county in 1925 than during 1924, according to the file dockets of the district courts.

Olympic, Strand, Mission, Palace Offer Good Amusement Bills Thursday

FAIRBANKS IN STRAND FILM

"Don Q. Son of Zorro" Is Picture Offering On Screen Today

With the news that Douglas Fairbanks in his latest screen success, "Don Q, Son of Zorro," will be the feature attraction today and midnight matinee at the Strand theatre, comes the added announcement that this famous star has, for the time being, stepped out of his role of the historic character—such as "Robin Hood," or the fantastic—such as "The Thief of Bagdad," and will be seen in his new photoplay as the romantic adventurer, winning hearts and plaudits with his inimitable athletic prowess.

This new film, "Don Q, Son of Zorro," is by no means a screen version of the Cervantes classic, "Don Quixote," as some have thought, but has been adapted by Jack Cunningham from the novel, "Don K's Love Story," by K. and Hesketh Prichard.

Sent From California.

Don Q, the son of Zorro, is sent from California to Spain to complete his education. There he wins high favor at the Spanish court, only to be accused of murder. To escape disgrace he pretends suicide and becomes an outlaw. Of course, there is a most romantic love story, and Don Q's quest for the heart and hand of a beautiful senorita, eventually meets with success though beset by many tribulations.

Never in all Fairbanks' career, it is said by critics everywhere, did he have a photoplay vehicle that gave him such splendid opportunities for athletic stunts—the type of film portrayal which brought him his earlier successes and in "Don Q, Son of Zorro," there are feats of nimbleness and daring that are said to be far in excess of anything the redoubtable "Doug" has ever presented.

Uses Bull Whip.

One of the unusual things in this new Fairbanks United Artists Corporation release is the exceptional skill shown by the star in manipulating the menacing and snake-like bullwhip. This weapon—for such it really is in the hands of a skilful person—is a very long, very slender and very sinuous lash, fastened to a short butt-like handle, and tapering from an inch or so in thickness to little more than a small cord in its fifty or sixty feet of length. It was used by cattlemen in the early ranch days of Southern California.

In the production Mr. Fairbanks gathered around him players of exceptional merit and popularity. Mary Astor, young, beautiful and highly capable, is his leading lady, with Jack McDonald and Donald Crisp, who also directs the picture, an the chief supporting male roles. Others in the cast are the Countess De Lanti, Warner Oland, Jean Hersholt, Lottie Pickford Forrest and Albert MacQuarrie.

Palace Features A Balanced Bill Of Big Entertainers

New Years eve will feature at the Palace a showing of a combination of the two most popular troops of entertainers that have ever shown at this theatre in a special New Year's matinee. Both Mullen's Musical Maids and the Spanish Troubadours have played for this entire week to "packed to capacity" houses. The New Year matinee will start at 11:30 p. m., the program consisting mainly of vaudeville, specialty acts, music, eccentric and fancy dancing, featuring Billy Futchett, classical pianist, Alfred Alscorn with "the crazy feet" in eccentric dancing; Rose Alscorn former prima donna of the follies Lita Alscorn (Spanish dances); Little Georgie, Benny Reed and Sunshine Pritchard, the imperial blackfast duet Mullens and Taylor in a piano act, Jack Clifford—"ballads," Lita Caldwell—saxaphone specialties, Johnney Laney on the steel guitar, Joe Mullen on the piano accordian, the Crosser sisters, the jazz bandits, the paramount quartet, Mildred McCulley and Jo Haley in chorus numbers.

Coming To The Mission Theatre Today



Scene from "THE LAST EDITION"

Vaudeville Bill Offered Today On Stage of Olympic

A high class vaudeville bill has been arranged for the Olympic theatre stage for the balance of the week, according to announcements from the management. The five acts will be offered today, at the New Year's midnight matinee, and then for the rest of the present week.

Heading the list are Hanvarr and Lee in "The Golfer and the Maid," which is a foreign juggling exhibition. This pair has played most of the leading halls of London, was for a time at the Casino de Paris and later ran for three months at the Criterion theatre, London. They have toured the South American states and are now back in the United States for a tour of the Levy circuit.

Water, Water Everywhere.

In "Water, Water Everywhere," Mae and Walter Siegfried humorously depict a domestic skit with a young newly married couple as the central figure. They are evicted from their apartment and take refuge in a house boat. The situations developing from their being moved provide plenty of laughs.

A novelty contortionist act by Moore is said to be the last word in contortion stunts. The actor gives an impersonation of Lon Chaney, the famed hunchback in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," and does other equally amazing twists and turns.

Lane and Louise are a young man and a maid with plenty of musical ability, fetching smiles and wholesome comedy. Lane is a clever dancer while his partner, in addition to being a vocalist of ability, is a talented pianist. Their act is full of harmony, melody and comedy.

"Comedy Singers Deluxe" is the billing of Smith, Lynch and Smith who appear as a harmonizing trio. Their music is especially good, lively and with real talent evident.

FIRE DESTROYS ARMOUR BRANCH; LOSS $100,000

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 30.—Fire of undetermined origin early today completely destroyed the local plant of Armour and company, causing a loss unofficially estimated at not less than $100,000. Two firemen were injured in fighting the flames. A few weeks ago fire in the same plant caused losses estimated at $50,000.

MENJOU HERE AT OLYMPIC

"The King on Main Street" Is Feature Offering Rest of Week

The Paramount production of "The King on Main Street" is the culmination of a dream Monta Bell, the director, and Adolphe Menjou, the star, have entertained for three years.

Nearly five years ago, when Mr. Bell, whose early career was in newspaper work, was with the Wheeler Syndicate, he met Fontaine Fox, the cartoonist, one night and Mr. Fox asked him to go to the theatre. They went to the George M. Cohan Theatre and saw Leo Ditrichstein's play "The King." The story impressed Mr. Bell immediately with its film possibilities, though at that time he had no thought of affiliating himself with motion picture work.

A little later, however, he found himself as an advisor to Charlie Chaplin on the filming of "A Woman of Paris." During the making of that picture Mr. Menjou and Mr. Bell became very good friends, and one day Mr. Bell confided to Mr. Menjou that he would like to become a director. Mr. Menjou replied that he thought Mr. Bell had the qualifications of a good director.

Then Mr. Bell told Mr. Menjou about "The King," Mr. Menjou liked the story and placed himself under option to Mr. Bell to make the picture.

When "A Woman of Paris" was finished, Mr. Bell went to every producer in Hollywood and the East, but was unable to sell his idea. "Adolphe Menjou is all right, and maybe the story is O. W.," they told him, "but who are you?"

Well, about all Mr. Bell could say at the time was, "I'm Monta Bell." But that wasn't sufficient.

After much hullabaloo, Monta Bell convinced Jesse L. Lasky, first vice president in charge of production of Paramount, that here was a story.

And you'll be of the same mind when you see "The King on Main Street" on the screen at the Olympic Theatre today.

Menjou is starred. Greta Nissen and Bessie Love head the supporting cast in featured roles. Other Prominent players include Oscar Shaw, Joseph Kilgour, Edgar Norton, Mario Majeroni, Carlotta Monterey, Marcia Harris and Edouard Durand.

Douglas Doty wrote the screen play.

Strand Has a Midnight Matinee



DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in "DON Q, SON OF ZORRO"

RALPH LEWIS IN SPLENDID ROLE.

Vivid, intense melodrama, vitalized in the absorbing atmosphere of the newspaper game and showing the most intimate details of newspaperdom with all their glamour, romance and tragedy, "The Last Edition," Emory Johnson's latest production for F. B. O. comes to the Mission Theatre today and midnight matinee tonight when it begins a three day engagement. Ralph Lewis, who made his roles in "The Third Alarm," "Westbound Limited" and "In the Name of the Law," historic pieces of dramatic acting, is starred by the producer-director in what it is confidently predicted will be the most popular part he has ever played. Mrs. Emilie Johnson, mother of the brilliant young director, wrote the story, and the Johnsons in conjunction with their former star have returned to the old combination which provided the public with all of the thrilling success mentioned above, as well as several others. As Tom MacDonald, the humble assistant foreman in the press room of a great metropolitan daily, he is one of the cogs in the gigantic machine which spews the streets with livewire news in flaring extras. How his beloved presses play him false, and how he wrecks the huge machine as it is churning out the story of his son's arrest, makes one of the most powerful situations ever registered on the screen. Frances Teague plays the part of the daughter, and with Rex Lease carries the romance of the story splendidly. Lila Leslie, Ray Hallor, David Kirby, Russell Simpson, Wade Boteler, Cuvier upplee, Leigh Willard and Will Frank compose the remainder of a formidable cast of thespians. Director Johnson has translated this story to the screen with powerful, broad strokes, and with that rare understanding of situations which is his greatest gift.

Eyes Hurt When Reading?

If much reading makes your eyes hurt try simple camphor, witchhazel, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash. The first application soothes the pain and regular use of Lavoptik makes the eyes stronger so you can read and work more.—Smith Drug Store.—Adv.

317 HUNGARIAN FARMS DESTROYED BY FLOODS

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The flood damage in the Beke district of Hungary is increasing with 175,000 acres of winter crop land under water and 317 well stocked farms totally wrecked.

Artillery is being used to break up masses of ice.

STRAWBERRIES ADVANCE TO $4 IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Strawberries at $4 a quart in the wholesale market today established a new high price for this fruit in Philadelphia.

EVERYBODY HAPPY
At The
PALACE THEATRE

Special Midnight Matinee
NEW YEAR'S EVE
11:30 P. M.
Big Double Show
Plenty Comedy



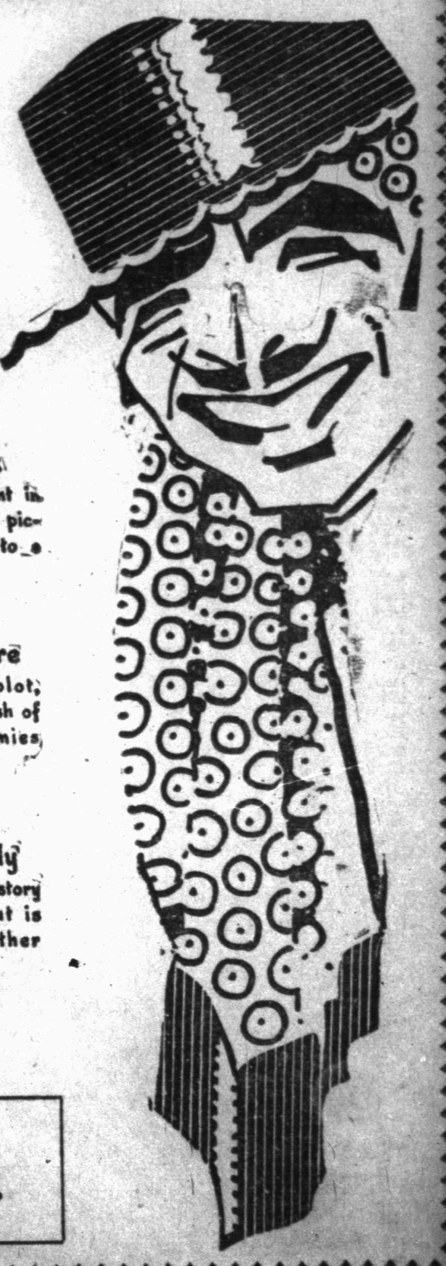
MUSICAL COMEDY
VAUDEVILLE AND PICTURES
MULLEN'S MUSICAL MAIDS AND THE SPANISH TROUBADOURS

Tonite ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW STRAND 11:30 p. m.

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS

First Showing at the NEW YEAR'S MATINEE

IN "DON Q SON OF ZORRO"



A Lightning Streak
Is no faster than the movement in this greatest of all Fairbanks pictures that marks his return to a super-melodramatic role.

High Speed Adventure
Cuts through plot, counterplot, mystery and intrigue, as the lash of Don Q's whip cuts his enemies down and saves his followers.

Romance and Comedy
A tender and sweetly romantic story flows swiftly and surely but is coupled with humor that neither youth nor age can resist.

Also
Aesop's Fables

Last Times Today
Charlie Chaplin in
"THE GOLD RUSH"

TODAY OLYMPIC TODAY
ALSO SHOWING AT THE MIDNITE MATINEE, 11:30 P. M.
ADOLPHE MENJOU IN



"THE KING ON MAIN STREET"
ALSO 5 ACTS OF VAUDEVILLE

LANE & LOUISE in "Hornin' In"
MAE & WALTER SEIGFRIED in "Water, Water, Everywhere"
LOIS NIXON & CO. "Child Blues" Singer and Impersonator
JACK MOORE a Novel Character Contortionist
HANVARR & LEE in "The Golfer and The Maid"

Tonight MISSION 11:30 P. M.
The Entire Town Is Welcoming
RALPH LEWIS
At the Mid-Nite Matinee, 11:30 p. m.
in



"THE LAST EDITION"
EMORY JOHNSON'S Master Melodrama!
Also JACK PERRIN in
THE FIGHTING SKIPPER NO. 4

SPORTING NEWS — THE RECORD NEWS — FIRST ACCURATE COMPLETE



TOP O' MORN STUFF
By Blondy Cross.

The best resolution the average person can make today is:

"I resolve to make no New Year's resolutions."

Then as 1926 rolls by that average person can look back and muse, Well, I'm just that much more honest this annum. What was the use of lying about it all these other years, anyway?"

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It's an old wheeze: Resolutions were made to break.

Incidently, verey few of the 1925 vintage lived the year out unshattered.

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THAT SETTLES THAT!!

"Any truth to rumor Doc Stewart to be fired?"

This is the message shot to the Austin American last night from Wichita Falls.

No Doc Stewart will not be fired before next June at the earliest and very likely not at all. His contract with the Longhorn athletic council expires next June. Already the athletic council has considered his contract for next year, but if Stewart has been signed they won't say anything about it, but they did say that no other coach had been considered for Stewart's job, so there you are.

(Note:) The above is reproduction of boxed story carried in the Austin American, morning newspaper in the Capital City.

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Studes Say He Ought to Be.

The query and comeback about the varsity football coach was occasioned by the murmurings here the past several days among Texas University students home for the Christmas holidays who say there is open dissension more or less against Doc Stewart in the varsity student body. Incidently, they declared the morale of Longhorn athletes is none too good, that there is feeling which runs rife against the doleful mentor.

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However, a signed petition not so long ago bearing the names of most of the football squad was presented the athletic council asking that Stewart be retained after his present contract closes. The paper was carried around to the athletes by Captain-elect Mack Saxon.

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JOB GETS RAZZ

This gentleman, Mr. Joseph McCarty, who signed to pilot Bill Wrigley's "shoot-a-million" Cubs, has already drawn a small dish of the raspberries, whether or not he relishes such breakfast food.

Little Jody brought it on himself when he permitted Mr. Howard Victor Keen, pitcher of some parts, and the former Spudder star, to depart to other parts—the St. Louis Cardinals, to be exact. He traded Vic for Cooney, an infielder.

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Now it so happens that Keen was not much pumpkins with the Cubbets last season. But the year before, when Bill Killefer had a wealth of pitchers and had to work his regulars only once every four or five days, Keen knocked off 15 victories for the Cubs while losing one less. He broke into 40 games, which indicated he wasn't afraid of work.

In 23 he had turned in a better percentage, winning 12 and losing but eight.

He is a youngster, having made his debut with the Jarboro, N. C. team in 1921. (He was grabbed from that outfit by the Cubs instantly, or day before.) But somehow or other McCarthy got the dope that Cooney would be a more valuable man than Keen and made the trade.

Thereby putting himself in a beautiful spot as a target for the second guessers.

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SUPERSTITION LOSES

The other day a horse named Nurmi ran away with the field down at New Orleans and "Pegasus" grabbed a race at Havana, points out Norman Brown.

The victory of these two, hoodooed with the names of speed merchants, is unusual. It is tradition that horses named after synonyms for speed show about as much class as the average high school valedictorian scheduled to set the world agog.

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Cats Don't Stand Chance

And speaking of hoodoos, this sporting bimbo, Roy Brundage, or maybe it was Pete Turgeon or E. G. Hill (they were all gathered in a toro session yesterday) opines the Fort Worth Panthers at last have lost their luck charm, or will in 1926. What with a brand new ball park and starting the season with new uniforms, incidently, several new players, the Cats don't stand a chance in the face of such odds. That's ball player's superstition.

Hutchison Loses To Willie Klein

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Willie Klein, Wheatly Hills, L. I., professional, won the Miami golf championship tournament today at Hialeah. Klein, who tied for second honors at the close of the first day's play yesterday, turned in a card of 69 in the afternoon round to give him a low 289.

Jock Hutchison, former British open title holder, who led the field during the morning matches, finished runner-up, three strokes behind with 292.

OUTLAWS PLAY FRIDAY.

The Clara Outlaws, independent cage quintet, plans a game for the home court Friday night between either the Dixie-Stephens five or Texhoma.

MAT CRITICS FAVOR HAYES AGAINST JACK

Fans Want Gorman to Win, But Aver Cyclone Odds Up

Quite a few fans who saw Jack Gorman and Cyclone Hayes here in that 30-minute limit match last week are of opinion that wee Jackie will lose out in the finish affair billed for Friday night at the 812 1-2 Scott Street gym under the supervision of the Wichita Falls wrestling association.

The lightweights wrestled to a furious draw here last Tuesday with neither obtaining a fall in the 30 minutes, yet several fans declared at the time that Cyclone is too fast and too strong for the Plainview flash to handle.

Gorman is by far the biggest favorite, and 99 out of 100 fans will pull for him to beat Hayes. However, the dopesters have it the odds are against Jack.

If Gorman does manage to defeat Hayes, close followers of the game say, it will be only after he has staged one of the most herculean and uphill mat battles ever witnessed in Wichita Falls.

Gorman, however, doesn't seem to be worrying himself any about the outcome. He's been training away diligently in Plainview and declares confidence of turning back the advances of the sturdy little Californian.

Hayes is equally confident. In fact, at the close of the match last week he announced from the ring that Gorman was the toughest man of his weight he had met in 14 years of grappling but that he still believed he could beat the Plainview athlete in a finish match.

Cashion Quintet Works Hard For County Tourney

The Cashion Junior team has been working hard to round into shape for the county basketball tournament at Iowa Park February 12 and 13. Coach Sam Jordan has put the youngsters through a fast clip of practice of late and hopes to shove them through the county meet in high style.

Glenn Crowe, forward, has an accurate eye for the basket, and is setting the pace at Cashion at present. Floyd Brown, at center, has been forming the main cog in the passing machine, while Allen Turner is leading the guards with a classy brand of basketball.

Jack Marrs, forward, has been working well into Coach Jordan's passing style of play. Mabry Ervin, guard, has been working at running guard where his court work and defensive play has been standing out. Dawson Owens, fleet-footed substitute, has been proving that he is good at both forward and guard with both a spectacular brand of offense and defense. Denzil Jones, guard, is fast and one who has been working well at his position. Lloyd Crowe, the midget forward of the club, is somewhat the sensation of the club. He is little, fast, elusive, and hard to keep up with. He is also a deadly man on close shots at the basket.

Rice Expects Fast Basketball Team

HOUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Although the Rice Institute Owls are by no means the favorite to cop the 1926 Southwest Conference championship in basketball, Coach Franklin D. Ashcraft should turn out one of the strongest court combinations to represent the Owls since 1918, when a great Rice quintet captured conference honors.

Indications are the '26 combination will be composed in the main of sophomores. Captain Jack Hopkins, captain of the '26 team and regular center of last season, is going to have a hard time making a first string berth against the speedy competition of the youngsters. Hopkins is the only bespectacled player in the conference. He wears a stout headgear, or iron mask to prevent his "specs" getting smashed in a game.

Provided they passed their fall term examinations, it is likely the following will make up the first string quintet. Morris and Billups, forwards; "Rube" Borschow, center; "Hank" Grant, and Ralph Nevinger, guards. All the members of this combination, with exception of Morris, are sophomores playing their first year of intercollegiate basketball.

ENFORCEMENT OF COLLEGE AMATEUR RULES IS URGED

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—More rigid enforcement of the summer baseball rule as its affects intercollegiate athletes was demanded today by a committee headed by Major J. L. Griffith, commissioner of the western conference in its report to the delegates of the twentieth annual convention of the national collegiate athletic association.

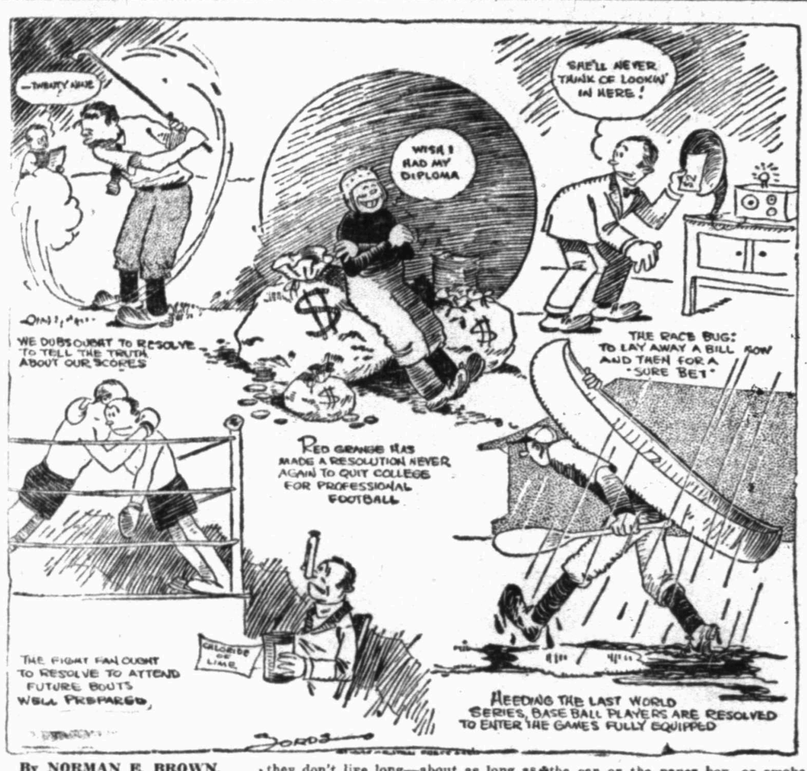
FUTURE OF TEXAS ASSN. HINGES ON MEXIA MEET

MEXIA, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Decision as to whether the Texas baseball association will function during the 1926 season will be made at a meeting of Magnates to be held here Sunday, when officers will probably be elected. J. B. McIntosh of Mexia is retiring president and Charles L. Clover, Mexia, secretary.

NICHOLS' LEG HURT.

Clara high school basketball stock right now is in a bit of a slump because Leroy Nichols, flashy forward, is handicapped with a game leg. He's expected to be kept out of play for a period.

THE MOST SEASONABLE SPORT TODAY
Is Making Resolutions And Betting How Long They Last



By NORMAN E. BROWN.

In the night of Dec. 31, the year I was six years old, I made a resolution to stay up "like the big folks" and see the new year in. Then I fell asleep.

And, the precedent having been set, I've been breaking new year's resolutions with beautiful regularity. I keep them a little bit longer. Even get home with them intact. But they don't live long—about as long as the Christmas trees you buy with the roots on so you can plant them in the yard later.

But the world doesn't mind me. It just goes on resoluting, and no harm done. That's as it should be.

If the resolution holds a couple of days that's a couple of days that you don't cuss, yell at the phone girl, speak roughly to the elevator man, the car or the paper boy, or smoke.

And it doesn't take long to catch up after you do break loose.

And in some other bird's resolutions you find the germ of a good idea.

For instance, the Washington Senators have already taken a pledge to get in the habit of playing baseball with canoes strapped to their backs. Then, when they get in the world's series, they can get around the infield a little bit better, unless Judge Landis bars the use of canoes.

The average fight fan can resolve to stay away from the fancy dancing acts until somebody, somewhere, puts on two birds who will fight for the love of socking each other as well as for the dough.

And, falling off the wagon on that pledge he can take along a nice big can of chloride of lime to the next one so he can erase the odor of it all, when the occasion arises.

The easy way out for the race horse fan is to take a mental vow to set aside a fat role to buy hay for the horses in 1926—and spend it. This plan eliminates the disturbing process of lifting it from the weekly pay check and trying to get away with it.

No harm in taking an oath to quit spiking an ace—and a little run of luck drawing to the pair will help keep the resolution. If it don't work you've got a beautiful alibi—the resolution.

But on the other hand, I probably have little to do, worrying about your resolutions. I've received so many beautiful hints regarding ones I could make that I'm up a tree myself.

I'd make one about earning more money in 1926—if I thought the boss ever read this stuff.

LIFE HISTORY OF BUSH LEAGUES
Chase Tops Firstbasemen

By JOHN B. FOSTER
Special Correspondent of the Record News.

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The "bushers" have contributed many a good first baseman to baseball. But one of the best, if not the best, was a collegian—Fred Tenney, who slid into the Boston club from the Brown university. He started as a catcher. In his time Tenney became the most polished first baseman in baseball and it was he who told the baseball world what an accomplished left hand first baseman could do for a ball club.

The greatest fielding first baseman in many years, who ever lived, was Chase, who was a minor league product. The unfortunate part of the man is that he forfeited all right to be classified with organized baseball because of his differences with that organization and the fact that he is ineligible for reasons which are well known. He, too, was left handed and when at his best could make plays on the infield that no other ball player in history had dreamed of, except Tenney, and he was more graceful in his execution of them than Tenney.

The Peerless Leader.

The National Association gave to baseball Frank Chance, "Peerless Leader," as they called him. Chance was not the greatest first baseman who ever put on a first baseman's glove but he was one of the best first basemen who ever played the position and a man who was literally battered off the diamond by being hit by pitched balls and badly bounding grounders because of the intensity of his work.

Jake Beckley might be reckoned upon as a first baseman from the National Association, old slugging Jake, who broke into the big league without such announcement and who broke it wide open in the first month by knocking more hom runs than any human ever had heard of being batted up to that time. Some one asked where he got his schooling at bat. "In a boiler shop," he replied, and it was true.

In more modern times there are Kelly of the Giants; Judge of Washington; Blue of Detroit; Sisler of the Browns; Daubert formerly of Brooklyn and Cincinnati; Pipp of the Yankees; McInnis of Philadelphia, Boston, Cleveland and Pittsburgh.

About Kelly.

In many respects George Kelly of the Giants is the best fielding right hand first baseman who ever played ball. There is none who handles a ground ball better and the versatility of the man is seen by the fact that he plays second base very well and can play the outfield.

Sisler holds much of his reputation at first because of his batting but he is a good enough first baseman at that. He handles a thrown ball very well and his work at first since he has had trouble with his vision is wonderfully good. But Sisler, too, is a direct college product.

Judge of Washington, Blue of Detroit and Pipp of the New York Americans, playing contemporaneously and with Sisler constitute four of the best first baseman that any league ever got into its circuit at one time.

McInnis has made a wonderful record as a fielding first baseman but has been in and out at the bat. Daubert was one of the best first basemen the National league ever had. It's a great array, this.

(In his next article Mr. Foster names the greatest second baseman the minors ever gave to big league baseball.)

Football Poor In Southwest in '25, Bridges Declares

WACO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Coach Frank Bridges of Baylor university who last year was appointed district director of the American Football Coaches' association, was unable to attend the meeting now in session in New York City, Coach D. X. Bible of Texas A. & M., and President D. A. Penick of the Southwestern conference being the representatives of this section. Bridges, however, wired in his report to the convention, the report being very brief. It stated that more new members to the national association had been obtained than ever before, and that now the southwest was well represented in the national association of coaches. Bridges declared that the feature of the gridiron campaign in this section was the decisive defeat of the brilliant Drake team by S. M. U. on Thanksgiving day.

In conclusion, however, Bridges' report stated that the calibre of football played in the southwest as a whole this year, was the poorest of any year during the last five.

Dallas Trains at Mineral Wells.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The Dallas Steers will spend three weeks spring training at Mineral Wells beginning March 1, J. Walter Morris, business manager, announced today. Snipe Conley's bovines are expected to return here on week ends for exhibition games, he said.

Committee Won't Eliminate Waco

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Demand of Beaumont high school that Waco high school be eliminated from the championship race because eligibility cards of the Waco players were not signed by the principal or superintendent, was refused today by the executive committee of the interscholastic league as "excessive and unreasonable."

Waco will play Dallas Forest Avenue Friday at Dallas for the state high school gridiron title.

Baldwin to Play In All-Star Grid Game

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Leo Baldwin of Wichita Falls, Longhorn halfback of the past season who gained more ground Thanksgiving day against the Texas Aggies than any other Texas university back, will play Friday in an all-star game here. He will play on the eleven captained by Tom Dennis, former Longhorn star, which will play a team captained by Jack Meagher, former Notre Dame star and now coach of St. Edwards' university here.

Clara Outlaws Put Out Speedy Quintet

The Clara Outlaws have gathered a fast and snappy team of players from Clara and Newtown and have been going great in their section of the country despite the fact they have done very little work together.

Vernon Farquer and Sam Jordan have been carrying the brunt of the work at forward, while center has been capably handled by Dalton Brewer.

Peck Buzzbee and Jones have been carrying the brunt of the guarding, Robert and Bill Buzzbee form a pair of sweet substitutes.

Night Hawks Run Over Electra K. P.

The Clara Night Hawks defeated the Electra K. P.'s Tuesday night at Clara by the score of 30 to 8. The Clara Hawks uncorked a fast brand of passing that completely smothered the Electra visitors.

Jack West of the Hawks, ran wild throughout the game and looped seven baskets from the floor and dropped in three free pitches for a total of 17 points. Walkup was next in line with three baskets from the court, and one free pitch.

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MONDAY FIGHT CARD FINISHED

Headlining the program with a 12-rounder between Jack Matlock, the Los Angeles middleweight, and Archie Couper of Oklahoma City, Legion Matchmaker Don Wofford yestereday completed arrangement for next Monday's fight card.

The Lineup:

Archie Couper, Oklahoma City, versus Jack Matlock, Los Angeles. Middleweights, 12 rounds.

Mickey Savage, Wichita Falls, versus Buckshot Peoples, Wichita Falls. Featherweights, six rounds.

Battling Cossey, Wichita Falls, versus Tuffy Bryant, Wichita Falls. Bantamweights, six rounds.

Battling Gonzales, Wichita Falls, versus Bud Taylor, Wichita Falls. Lightweights, four rounds.

Sully Scott, Electra, versus Tommy Irvine, Wichita Falls. Flyweights, four rounds.

Matlock is in Wichita Falls working out daily for this, his third meeting with Couper. The Oklahoman is expected to arrive Saturday or Sunday.

There's said to be quite a bit of rivalry between this pair of millers, for Matlock won by a knockout in their first meeting, but dropped a decision in the second. Both scraps were of the more or less sensational variety.

Doc Uses Paddle In Varsity Drills

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Life is made miserable for those inclined to "loaf" on the Texas University basketball squad. During some of the practice sessions, "Doc" Stewart, head coach, carries in his hand a stout wooden paddle. Whenever a member of either the two teams scrimmaging allows the man he is guarding an open shot at the loop, the paddle is turned over to the man making the shot for one "lick" on the body of the man who allowed the shot to be made.

Although the paddle is applied rather vigorously, members of the squad declare they enjoy the contest, as it keeps practice from becoming dull and heightens the friendly spirit of competition. One may always tell when "Doc" has put the paddle into play because of the loud laughter that comes from the gymnasium.

Among the promising candidates working out now for the quintet are Captain Esquivel, El Paso; Joe King, Dallas; John Lomax, Dallas; Charlie Campbell, Temple, forwards; "Rosy" Stalliter, Eastland, and Leo Baldwin, Wichita Falls, center; John Estes, Dallas; Joines, Houston; Ed Olle, Flatonia; "Ox" Higgins, Dallas; "Pottie" McCullough, Waco, guards.

"Kid Alberts" Now Tries to Perfect Bismarck Hook

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 30.—"Kid Alberts" is now Mr. Al Gratf. His profession is now law instead of pugilism. From one of the best known boxers in the middle west he hopes to become as equally well known a lawyer. In other words, "Kid Alberts" has just passed the Missouri bar examination and entered upon the practice of law.

His story reads like a page torn from fiction. Instead of "working his way through college," he literally "fought his way through college."

In the years he attended high school in St. Louis, he earned his expenses by means of frequent matches which netted him a few more dollars each time. When he entered the law school of Washington university here five years ago, he had already attained such a reputation that the university hired him as its first instructor in boxing and wrestling. In this way, he earned his education.

Alderson Referees Texas Title Game

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Curtis (Shorty) Alderson, assistant football coach of Texas university, will referee Friday's game at Dallas between Dallas Forest Avenue and Waco high schools for the championship of the state. Other officials will be Barry Holton, Trinity university, athletic director, umpire; Venne (Carlisle) headlinesman, and Braun (Sewanee,) field judge.



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Beside the chimney's flame—
We only asked a Dempsey match—
We didn't get the same!

There isn't any justice
And there isn't any fun—
Some fellows grab off everything,
The glory and the mon:
We'd like a little match with Jack—
A little money, too—
We ask so little that we think
That Santa Claus ain't true.

The Hand of Fate.

A few weeks ago, in New York, Paul Berlenbach outpointed Jack Delaney and thereby continued on the road that may lead him somewhere eventually through the tangled brambles of fistiania. Yet had two things happened in the Delaney-Berlenbach bout, the outcome of the encounter would have been materially changed and it would once more be Delaney on whom the eyes of the ringsiders would now be fastened: Had Referee Purdy disqualified Berlenbach (as he should have done) for an intentional foul—going to the floor without being hit—or had Delaney followed the advantage he palpably held and knocked out his opponent when he was apparently incapable of resistance. Yet neither thing happened—and as a result Berlenbach went on to win on points. This particular bout was not important. Neither man will ever get very far, in all probability, in ring greatness, as it is measured. But the two things that did not happen illustrate beyond cavil how much the hand of fate can play a part in the history of championships.

The question of the referee, once agreed upon, is no longer in the control of the individual fighter. Yet it is an element that has entered into championships before and it doubtless will in the future.

The Referee.

There was the time when Freddy Welch met Charlie White in Denver. No few ring fans believed then, and believe yet, that had the referee, who happened to be the sports writer, Otto Floto, rendered a decision in accord with what they regarded as the facts of the case, that there would have been a new lightweight champion crowned before Benny Leonard came on the scene.

There is the more recent case of Dempsey and Firpo. Many fistic lights differ in their views of the proper decision to be rendered by the referee in the case of Dempsey being helped back into the ring. But if the particular man who did referee the bout had been one of those who believed that the rules as written plainly disqualified Dempsey the moment anyone helped him back into the arena, the South American giant would have been a heavyweight champion and there would have been no Dempsey meal ticket. It would have been as accidental, and probably as short-lived, a championship as that Siki the Senegalese held, but it would have been an undisputed crown. All of the roar that Kearns and Dempsey would have put up would have meant as little as that Firpo and his supporters put up. The referee would have spoken.

These are only salient instances in the long record of fistiana, and studded with many. Championships have depended upon referee's decisions. Sometimes they have passed upon points, sometimes they have been held on points where the official might have ruled differently. Autobiographies of the famous fighters invariably contain references to occasions when the writer thinks that the referee had erred against him. You can be equally sure that there have been innumerable times when the referee erred in their favor.

The element of the referee makes it almost certain that a champion will never lose his crown on a foul in a short-round no-decision bout. For the champion and his manager take no chances. They insist invariably on the appointment of the third man in the ring. And in case of peripatetic battlers, like Welsh and Willard, an official referee is usually an atom in the touring party. Think what might happen if he elected to double-cross his employers in favor of some battling yokel!

Chances.

Another factor of chance in the ring is that of a lucky break in time. When a long-tenure champion like Kilbane begins to slip, it is a foregone conclusion that within a brief period some challenger is going to take his crown. The ring and boxing control being what it is, the challengers themselves are reasonably assured that the lucky winner will hold on for a long time—because he will take no chances with aspiring young men. The champion himself is naturally aware that he is slipping and has in mind passing along his title as expensively as possible. The big idea is to arrange a title bout with a high percentage of return to the holder—win, lose or draw—assuring him a good pile as he quits. But a championship match requires time for advertising and preparation. In the meantime, the old man is not going to pass up decision fights in which he can make good money. He is trying to meet setups, but in his state he knows he is likely to lose. He can arrange not to lose on points or a foul, but he can not guarantee that one of these young men will not flatten him conclusively. Many a good man has missed a title because another fellow beat him to the chance.

Willard was slipping when he met Dempsey at Toledo. The chances are that had Dempsey been a good 200-pounder instead of a good 180-pounder he would never have gotten his opportunity. Willard & Co., believed that the hulking Kansan could hold his own against a man of Dempsey's size. Hence the articles of agreement. And hence Jack Dempsey.

Any good heavyweight might have beaten Sullivan when Corbett beat him.

Another Factor.

Then there is the individual factor of the chances that the fighter himself has missed. And they are innumerable. The great Ketchell was within an ace of duplicating the feat of Fitzsimmons of holding both the heavy and middleweight titles. But John Arthur Johnson, the champion, tricked him in a timely moment, as he had himself tricked Johnson to the edge of dilemma.

Siki might have held longer the light-heavyweight championship but for meeting Mike McTigue in Dublin on St. Patrick's day in the evening. What chance did that simple-minded black have?

Carpentier might have beaten Dempsey but for breaking his hand as he landed his best blow.

Pinkie Mitchell almost put out Leonard at the Charity bout, but the astute Bennie talked him out of his golden opportunity.

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And not a single sou to meet the rent—
We need not face a mocking world's derision,
Or drain chill poverty's unsavory cup,
We can still make Liberia loosen up.

We could not, on the Thames, the Seine or Arno
Stand hat in hand to ask for what we're owed,
For fear the peace just settled at Locarno
We might by such a dangerous course, explode.
So we dispatch a flock of dunning letters
To say we need the cash, because we're broke,
We know that all our more important debtors
Would treat the matter as a pleasant joke.

But still we should not be completely busted
There yet is a sum of money due,
And we are sure the country that we trusted
When it was poor and needy will come through.
So, when we are reduced to one piastre
We shall not sit upon the stoop and moan,
But leap up from the ashes of disaster—
And make Liberia pay us back that loan!

JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR



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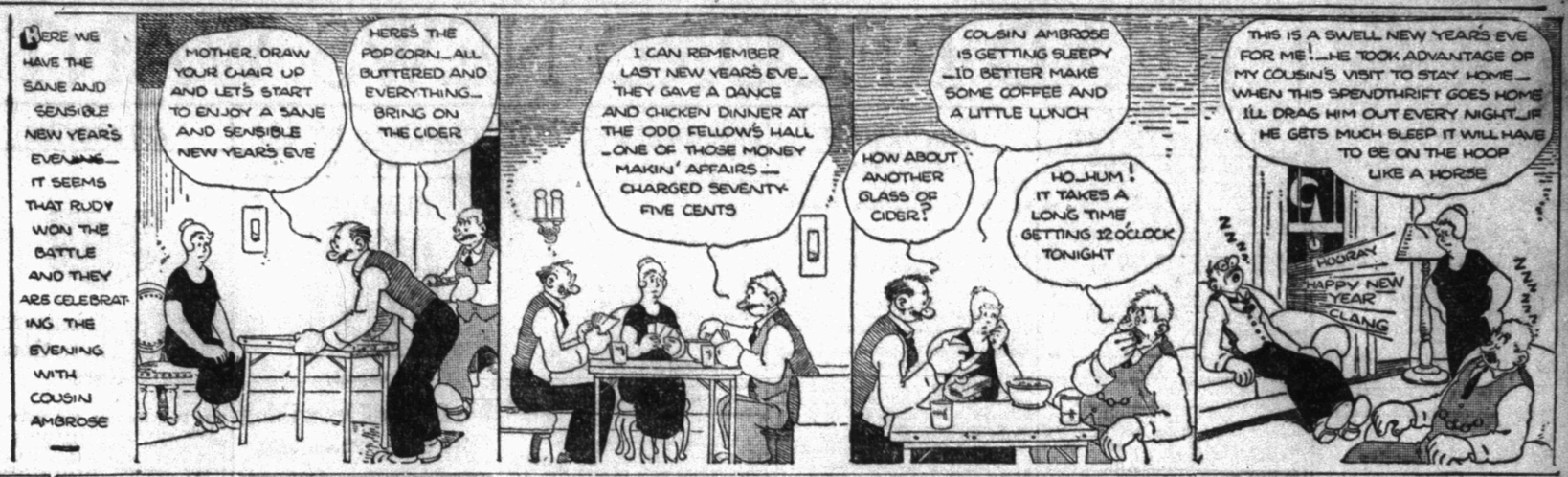
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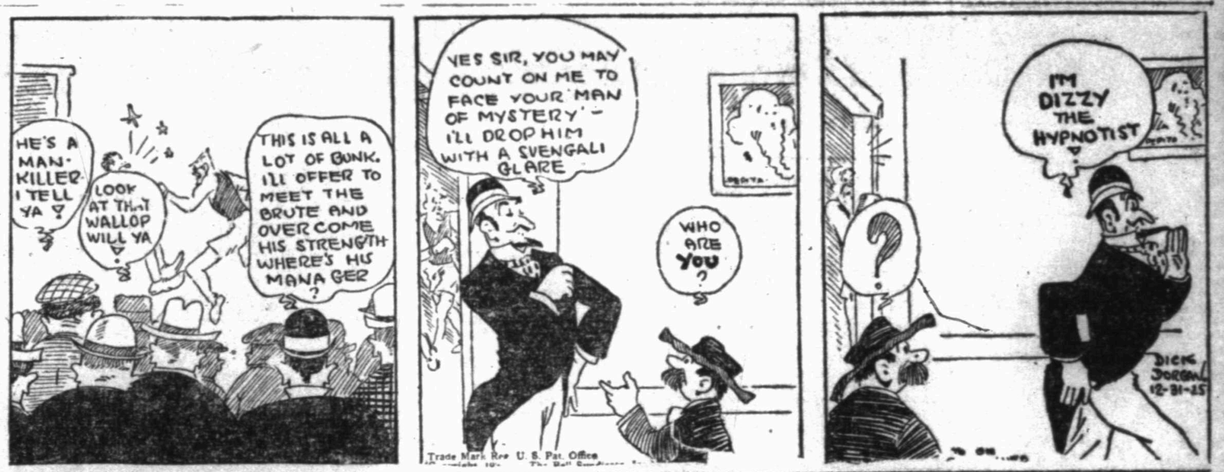


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FOR SALE—Four pair lace curtains. As good as new. Will take half price. Also Oliver typewriter, cheap. 1404 Eighteenth St.

Building Materials 53

SMALL house of 1x12 lumber. Phone 5183.

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Machinery and Tools 61

FOR SALE—All sizes pipe from 1 to 20-inches, oil well supplies, machinery, collars, couplings, fittings and connections, everything required in the oil fields. Texas Iron and Metal Co., 205 Mississippi. Phone 3860.

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REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

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Apartments and Flats 74

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Houses for Rent. 77

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Houses for Sale. 84

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Lots For Sale 85

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RECEIVER'S NOTICE OF SALE.

The state of Texas, county of Wichita, notice is hereby given by John Gould, receiver, in cause No. 17520-C, styled E. J. Bartels vs. H. B. Poland, in the 89th district court, wherein E. J. Bartels is plaintiff and H. B. Poland, and wife, Linnie Poland; P. B. Roberts, and wife, Mrs. C. H. Roberts, Keystone Pipe & Supply company, a corporation, J. H. Sheets, and H. Carl Wright, are defendants, and judgment rendered in said cause wherein the plaintiff recovered judgment in the sum of $2,347.00, with 8 per cent interest from date of judgment, October 19, 1925, and Keystone Pipe & Supply company recovered judgment in the sum of $255.00, with 6 per cent interest from date of judgment, and also foreclosed the chattel mortgage lien on the below described property in favor of said judgment in the proportions above mentioned; and in said judgment John Gould was appointed receiver by agreement in open court, and was in said judgment granted the authority and was commanded to sell the property covered by the chattel mortgage lien at public or private sale, and time for which said sale to be made being extended so that the receiver may sell same at any time before January 20, 1926, that in persuance of said order and the power vested in me as receiver by the order of said court, I, John Gould, will sell the below described personal property for cash on the 2nd day of January, 1926, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. at the office of the Peles Press Publishing company, located at the Labor Temple, 703 Travis street, in the city of Wichita Falls, Wichita county, Texas, to the highest bidder said property being now located at the place above mentioned, and being described as follows: One No. 8 linotype machine and motor, one Babcock cylinder press and motor, one 9x12 Chandler & Price job press and motor, one 10x15 Chandler & Price job press and motor, one Miller saw and trimmer and motor, one paper cutter, one stapling machine, five make-up stones and stands, 125 cases of type, free rules, one cabinet, and three type stands, stock of printing paper, office equipment, metal and supplies.

JOHN GOULD, Receiver.

Human "Hoofs For U. S., His Forecast

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Humans will have hoofs instead of feet if the present system of shoe manufacturing and fitting is not improved, Dr. H. W. Bynum of Memphis, Tenn., declared today in an address at the Chicago College of Osteopathy. Seventy-five per cent of American people have defective feet is shown by government records, he said.

The Record News Review of Markets and Finance

Cotton

NEW ORLEANS FUTURES.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed barely steady at net decline of 18 to 27 points.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	19.83	19.56	19.57-60	19.75
March	19.38	19.04	19.04-06	19.28
May	19.05	18.70	18.70-73	18.94
July	18.69	18.40	18.40-42	18.62
Oct.	17.97	17.64	17.64-68	17.91

Opening: January 19.83; March 19.32; May 18.97; July 18.69; October 17.92.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—The cotton market was rather two sided today although after ruling steady during the morning and gaining 10 to 11 points over the previous close, prices weakened during the afternoon on the rumored settlement of a considerable line of March short cotton and a revival of the report that the British mills would again resort to short time owing to the gain in production over the demand for cloths and yarns. Prices reached low levels near the close, 27 to 35 points under the highs of the morning. The close was at the bottom showing net losses for the day of 18 points on January and 22 to 27 points on later positions.

At the start, Liverpool cables were about as due but the market here opened 10 points up on January at 19.83 and three to seven points up on later months. Prices improved a little more after the call on all months but the near position showing gains of five to seven points. After easing off slightly the market again improved on the weekly weather report stating that the weather was too cold to permit further picking and on fears of further covering by near month shorts. March traded up to 19.38, May to 19.05 or 10 to 11 points above the close of yesterday.

The market turned easier during the afternoon and continued to decline right up to the end, January trading down to 19.56, March to 19.04 and May to 18.70 or 27 to 35 points down from the highs of the morning. The close was right at the bottom.

Exports for the day totaled 29,338 bales.

NEW YORK FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed barely steady at decline of 25 to 43 points.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	20.20	19.65	19.65-70	20.0.
March	19.94	19.52	19.52-55	19.8.
May	19.44	19.11	19.12-13	19.3.
July	19.05	18.75	18.75-77	19.0.
Oct.	18.45	18.13	18.13-15	18.4.

Opening: January 20.20; March 19.94; May 19.42; July 18.97; October 18.45.

NEW YORK COTTON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—After touching new high prices for the present movement early today, the cotton market weakened owing to unfavorable trade reports from Manchester. March contracts selling off from 19.94 to 19.52 and closing at that figure. The general market closed barely steady at net declines of 25 to 43 points.

The opening was steady at an advance of six points to a decline of one point, most positions being higher on overnight buying orders which sent the price of January up to 20.20 and May to 19.44. Demand was supplied by realizing at these figures, however, and rather a reactionary sentiment appeared to develop on the ground that the near month covering movement had probably run its course and that the advance from the low levels of last week had left futures in an easier technical position. This showed itself in realizing by recent buyers and a falling off in the volume of buying, but the market held fairly steady until mid-afternoon when offerings increased on reports from London that the conference of Lancashire cotton trade interests had resolved that the continuance of short time in the American spinning section was necessary and was the only method by which satisfactory yarn prices could be obtained. These advices did not suggest any increase of curtailment as compared with present working schedules, and this morning's cables from Liverpool to the New York cotton exchange said the demand for yarns was better. Emphasis placed upon unfavorable conditions in the British textile trade, however, seemed to find the market here sensitive to selling orders and prices broke sharply during the last hour, January selling off to 19.65 and May to 19.11, or about 35 to 55 points from the high level of the morning. Closing prices were the lowest of the day.

Exports today 29,338, making 4,549,631 so far this season. Port receipts 37,856. U. S. port stocks 1,745,111.

SPOT MARKETS.

DALLAS, Dec. 30.—Spots closed steady 30 down; sales 5,499 bales. Middling fair 20.45; strict good middling 20.30; good middling 20.05; strict middling 19.80; middling 19.05; strict low middling 17.80; low middling 16.30; strict good ordinary 14.45; good ordinary 13.05.

HOUSTON, Dec. 30.—The spot market closed steady, 35 down; sales 2,813 bales. Low ordinary 11.00; ordinary 12.50; good ordinary 14.00; strict good ordinary 15.50; low middling 17.00; strict low middling 18.50; middling 20.00; strict middling 20.75; good middling 21.00; strict good middling 21.25; middling fair 21.50.

GALVESTON, Dec. 30.—The spot market closed steady, 30 down; sales 735 bales. Low ordinary 10.10; ordinary 12.10; good ordinary 13.85; low middling 17.35; middling 20.10; good middling 21.35; middling fair 21.85.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Spot cotton closed quiet, 15 points down; sales 1,512 bales. Low middling 16.85; middling 19.85; good middling 20.85; receipts 10,737; stock 510,049 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cotton spot fair demand, prices steady. American strictly good middling 11.33; good middling 11.08; strictly middling 10.83; middling 10.38; strictly low middling 9.98; low middling 9.48; strictly good ordinary 9.08; good ordinary 8.48. Sales 6,000 bales, including 5,000 American; receipts 25,000 bales, including 20,400 American. Futures closed steady, December 10.16; January 10.07; March 10.07; May 10.07; July 10.01; October 9.74.

CHICAGO COTTON.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed: January 19.37-42; March 19.27; May 18.85 asked; July 18.60 asked; October 17.90 asked.

Produce

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Butter, lower; receipts 5,891 tubs; creamery extras 47c; standards 45½c; extra firsts 45½@46c; firsts 43@44½c; seconds 41@42c. Eggs, lower; receipts 6,964 cases; firsts 40c; ordinary firsts 34@36c.

Poultry alive, firm; receipts 8 cars; fowls 22@28c; springs 30c; turkeys 35c; roosters 17c; ducks 25@30c; geese 20@24c.

TEXAS SPINACH.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Several spinach markets passed the $1.75 mark today and Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and New York all were on the $2.00@2.25 price range for Texas bushels. The middle west did not advance sharply as the east but St. Louis, the clearance gateway for Texas spinach, was stronger at $1.50@1.75 with 19 cars on the track. The movement of cars through that city for the day totaled four cars, two for Chicago and one each Pittsburgh and Louisville. Jobbing sales follow:

Baltimore, no car arrivals, two on track. Unsettled. Texas bushels $1.75@1.85.

Philadelphia, two Texas cars arrived, four on track. Market stronger. Texas $1.75@2.25.

Pittsburgh, two Texas arrived, market steady. Texas bushels, best $1.75@2.00.

New York, seven Texas, two Virginia, one California arrived, firm. Texas bushels $2.00@2.25.

Detroit, one Texas arrived, seven on track, stronger. Texas bushels $1.75@1.50.

Chicago, one Texas arrived, 11 on track. Firm. Texas bushels $1.15@1.25.

A little bluing, added to the water in which cut glass is being washed will make it clear and sparkling.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NEW YORK.—Stocks firm; S. S. Kresage soars 86 points to 885.
Bonds irregular; profit taking causes recessions.
Foreign exchanges mixed, French francs lose early gain.
Cotton lower; unfavorable Manchester reports.
Sugar barely steady; trade buying.
Coffee firm; higher Brazilian markets.

CHICAGO.—Wheat lower; disappointing cables.
Corn easy; larger country offerings.
Cattle higher.
Hogs, dull and lower.

Market Gossip

Booth and Burmeister, brokers, Waggoner Bldg., today received the following market comment from J. S. Bache and company of New York, New Orleans and Chicago:

GRAINS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Wheat market averaged lower for the deferred deliveries while the December was somewhat congested and sold above $1.90 to a new high on the crop. Heavy profit taking made its appearance on all bulges today, while on the breaks there was aggressive buying by houses with eastern connections. Sentiment as a whole is decidedly against taking the buying side on swells at the present time, although extremely erratic fluctuations are to be expected. Feel that while market may go higher ultimately that the buying side should be avoided at this level, as a natural reaction is over due. With a three-day holiday ahead considerable evening up will probably be in evidence tomorrow.

Coarse Grains: The short interest in corn has been eliminated, country offerings of cash grain to arrive are on a much more liberal scale with purchases of over 500,000 bushels in the past two days and sales on all rallies should prove profitable. Sentiment in oats is much more favorable to the buying side and that grain showed independent strength today, investors being the best buyers. Would avoid the short side of coarse grains on breaks. Rye was somewhat unsettled in sympathy with wheat, but like oats this grain seems to be selling at too big a discount and should do better.

COTTON.

A cable from Manchester saying cotton conference by overwhelming majority decided short time in American section necessary and on practical way to enable yarn to be sold at reasonable profits, caused a substantial amount of short selling and long liquidation which has broken the market some 25 points from the high of the day and 15 points down from yesterday's close.

The disposition to cover shorts in January and March is less evident today; however, these two months continue to maintain their relative premiums over the distant months.

There is nothing new calculated to create a buying or selling wave. In the mean time, the recent advance appears to have expended its force, and it looks to us as a decline of some importance is now due.

Livestock

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—Receipts 4,400 cattle and 600 calves, 650 hogs and 300 sheep.

A week ago receipts were, cattle 2,725, calves 677, hogs 968 and sheep 24. Receipts a year ago 3,275 cattle, 949 calves, 1,260 hogs and 692 sheep.

Market conditions fairly satisfactory, only decline in the hog division where loss of a dime to 15c was noted.

Beef steers six cars, one string making 640, and small lots moving at $5 to $7. Markets steady.

Cow trade sluggish at start, but improved later, supply moving at steady rates. Best beef cows notched $6.35 and sales frequently at $5 to $6. Choice butcher cows $4.50, canners showed strength at $2.40 to $2.75.

Better sort yearlings and heifers moved up to $5 and $8 in small lots, bulk $6.50 to $7.50.

Calves advanced a quarter, choice heavy up to $8.75 bulk $7.50 to $8. Supply generally medium to worse.

Bulls strong at $4.50 for several carloads of fed sort.

Bulk of hogs direct to packers. Market declined a dime to 15c, top at $12.10, bulk $11.00 to $12.00, one car "diamond J" hogs notching $11.50. Pigs and packing sows were unchanged.

Sheep supplies confined to consignments of feeder lambs direct to feed lot.

Cattle 5,000 including 600 calves; market steady; beeves $5.50@9.00; stockers $5.00@7.50; fat cows $3.50@6.00; yearlings $5.50@10.00; heifers $5.00@8.50; canners $2.40@2.75; cutters $2.60@2.85; calves $5.00@7.50; bulls $2.50@4.50.

Hogs, 650, including 350 direct: market 10@15c lower; best medium weight $12.00@12.25; good mixed $11.90@12.00; good light $11.80@11.90; fair mixed $11.70@11.80; fair mixed $11.50@11.60; common $6.00@9.00; packing sows $11.00@11.25; pigs $10.00@10.75.

Sheep 300, market steady; lambs $12.00@15.50; feeder lambs $12.00@13.50; yearlings $10.00@12.00; wethers $8.00@9.00; ewes $6.00@7.50; culls $1.00@3.50; stockers $7.00@7.25; goats $1.00@3.25.

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cattle 6,000; calves 1,500; slow; heavy steers $11.00; bulk $8.25@10.00; best yearlings $10.50; butcher cows $4.75@6.50; heifers $6.50@8.00; canners and cutters $3.50@4.50; bologna bulls $4.75@5.25; top veals $11.00.

Hogs, 9,000; bulk of sales $12.20@11.60; packing sows $9.75@10.50.

Sheep, 8,000; lower; fed lambs $15.25@15.60; yearling wethers $13.00.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Cattle 10,000; general fed steer trade moderately active at yesterday's best time, or 25 over early that day; clearance fairly good; liberal supply well conditioned steers offered, several hundred head making $10.75 to $11.00; best heavies $11.25; yearlings $11.25; bulk $8.75@10.50; almost a runaway market on fat cows, heifers and bulls; heavy bolognas $6.10 and better; snappy trade on vealers $13.00@14.00; mostly $13.00@13.50.

Hogs, 21,000; closed strong at early declines; bulk good and choice 200 to 300 pound butchers $11.20@11.60; majority 160 to 180 pound selections $11.70@11.90; early practical top $12.10; better grades 140 to 150 pound average $11.85@12.15; bulk packing sows $9.25@9.50; desirable killing pigs mostly $12.00@12.50; shippers took 7,000; estimated holdover 5,000.

Sheep 16,000; fat lambs, feeding lambs and fat yearling wethers mostly 25c lower; spots more; aged sheep steady; bulk better fat lambs $15.75@16.25; few loads $16.40@16.60; heavy fat lambs downward to $14.50 and below; best yearling wethers $13.75; choice kind absent, most feeder lambs $15.75@16.25; bulk fat ewes $8.50@9.25.

HORSES ON U. S. FARMS SHOW 16 PER CENT DROP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(AP) The extent to which modern farm machinery continues to supplant the horse on American farms was revealed today in figures made public by the census bureau showing that the number of horses on farms decreased 16 per cent during the last five years, or from 19,767,161 in 1920 to 16,535,759 in 1925.

The number of mules however, increased more than 5 per cent, or from 5,442,391 to 5,740,608 during the same period.

LUTHER SHORT DEAD.

FRANKLYN, Ind., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Luther Short of Franklin, former consul general to Turkey, is dead in Daytona, Fla., friends here were informed today.

Grain

CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec. new	1.88	1.90½	1.87	1.88½
Dec. old	1.86	1.87	1.84	1.86
May new	1.82	1.84½	1.79¾	1.80
May old	1.81	1.82	1.78	1.78
July	1.54	1.55⅛	1.52½	1.52⅛
CORN—				
Dec.	.79⅝	.80⅝	.79⅛	.79¼
May	.87⅝	.88½	.87¼	.87⅝
July	.88⅝	.89¾	.88⅝	.89
OATS—				
Dec.	.41½	.42	.41½	.41⅝
May	.46⅝	.46¾	.46	.46
July	.46⅝	.47	.46¼	.46⅝
RYE—				
Dec.	1.07	1.08	1.05½	1.05⅛
May	1.16½	1.16⅛	1.12½	1.12⅜
July	1.11	1.12⅛	1.10½	1.10⅛
LARD—				
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	14.95
Jan.	14.57	14.70	14.57	14.65
May	14.55	14.65	14.55	14.57
RIBS—				
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	15.00
May	15.45	15.45	15.35	15.37
BELLIES—				
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	15.75
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	15.75
May	15.97	16.20	15.97	16.15

FORT WORTH CASH GRAIN.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 30.—The following shows range of values on the Fort Worth cash grain market, basis delivered group three or Texas common points, based on bids, offers and sales of Fort Worth dealers, according to the Fort Worth grain and cotton exchange:

Wheat: No. 1 dark hard, $1.95@2.00; No. 1 ordinary hard, $1.94@1.98; No. 1 red, $2.05@2.10; No. 1, 75 per cent red, $2.00@2.03.

Corn: No. 2 white, 95@97c; No. 3 white, 94@96c; No. 3 mixed, 94@96c; No. 3 mixed, 93@95c.

Oats: No. 2 red, 60@62c; No. 3 red, 59@61c; No. 3 white, 55@56c.

Snapped corn, $1.00@1.10; No. 3 barley 83@86c; No. 3 milo $1.47@1.52; No. 3 kaffir $1.41@1.45; maize heads $25@27; kaffir heads $23@25; red top cane seed $1.85@1.95.

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Wheat: No 2 hard, $1.88½@1.90.

Corn: No. 3 mixed, 77½c; No. 3 yellow, 77½@79c.

Oats: No. 2 white, 43@44c; No. 3 white 42¾@43¼c.

KANSAS CITY CASH GRAIN.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Wheat: No. 2 hard, $1.79@1.88; No. 2 red, $1.89@1.91. December $1.78; May $1.71¾; July 1.44½@¾.

Corn. No. 3 white, 76@78c; No. 3 white 76@78c; No. 3 yellow 76@78c; No. 2 mixed 79½@80½c; December 78c; May 83¼c; July 85¼c.

Oats: No. 2 white, 43@43½c; No. 3 white, 42½@43c.

CHICAGO GRAIN REVIEW.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Wheat available for delivery tomorrow on the final settlement of December contracts here jumped today to the highest point yet this season, $1.90½ a bushel, but the price of later deliveries came tumbling down as a result of heavy selling to realize profits.

Extreme nervousness characterized the wheat market throughout the day, and the close was irregular, varying from five cents net decline to 1½c advance, new style December $1.88½ and May $1.80 to $1.80¼. Corn finished 1⅛c to 1⅝c off, oats ⅝c down to ⅛c up, and provisions 5c lower to a rise of 30c.

Corn and oats were depressed by breaks in the wheat market. Besides large offerings of corn to arrive reported, and corn deliveries here today on December contracts amounted to 837,000 bushels.

Provisions tended upward, influenced by likelihood that no December accumulation of warehouse stocks here will be shown.

Financial

EXCHANGE RATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Foreign exchanges, irregular; quotations in cents: Great Britain demand 4.84 13-16; cables 4.85¼; 60-day bills on banks 4.80⅝. France demand 3.72½; cables 3.73. Italy demand 4.03½, cables 4.03⅝. Demand Belgium 4.53; Germany 23.80; Holland 40.16; Norway 20.28; Sweden 26.82; Denmark 24.70; Switzerland 19.33; Spain 14.14; Greece 1.29½; Poland 11.50; Czecho-Slovakia 2.96; Jugo-Slavia 1.77; Austria 14; Rumania 46¼; Argentina 41.37; Brazil 14.62; Tokyo 43½; Shanghai 77⅝; Montreal 99 29-32.

U. S. BONDS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—United States bonds: Liberty 3½'s, 99.18; first 4's, 100; first 4¼'s, 101.24; second 4¼'s 100.18; third 4¼'s, 100.25; fourth 4¼'s 101.30; treasury 4's, 102.27; treasury 4¼'s, 106.8.

MONEY RATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Call money, firm; high, low, ruling rate and last loan 6; closing bid 6; offered at 6¼; call loans against acceptances 4½. Time loans, easier 60-90 days 4⅝@5; 4-6 months 4⅝@5; primo mercantile paper 4¼@4½.

STAID OLD NEWSPAPER OF ENGLAND HAS A NEW WORD

LONDON, Dec. 30.—(AP)— A new word "antedation" is presented to the English language today by the London Gazette. A word formation of any other literary adventure is about the last thing that would be expected to be found in the cold pages of the Gazette, which exists solely to record, unembellished, official announcements. "Antedation" occurs with reference to the antedation of the promotion of an officer of the Indian army.

RUM BARONET'S FAILURE IS BLAMED TO U. S. VIGIL

LONDON, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Activities of the American coast guard and prohibition agents were mainly responsible for the appearance in bankruptcy court today of Sir Broderick Hartwell, England's rum runner-baronet. Sir Broderick said that after several successful shipments of liquor to the United States, one shipment of 36,000 cases was seized by the prohibition authorities. He estimated it to be worth $1,200,000, but he had received no return on it.

LAWYERS OF 3 STATES PLAN BIG CONVENTION

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 30.—(AP)—Eight representatives of the Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas Bar associations are in session here devising plans for a joint meeting of the three associations to be held at Texarkana next April or May. It is the purpose of this meeting to form a tri-state bar association.

N. Y. Stocks

	Sales	High	Low	Close
Am Tel and Tel	8	142⅝	142⅝	142⅝
Am Woolen	47	41½	40⅞	41⅛
California Pet	124	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
Dodge Bros pfd	18	88½	88	88⅜
Freeport-T Co	11	19⅛	19	19⅛
Gen Electric	39	328¼	324	315
Gen Motors	138	116¼	115¼	115¼
Ind Oil and Gas	40	34¼	33⅝	33⅞
Marland Oil	196	59⅝	58⅞	58⅞
Mid-Cont Pet	174	37⅝	36¼	37
M K and T	94	41⅝	40	40⅝
North Am Co	121	63	61⅛	62⅞
Pacific Oil	498	77⅛	74⅞	75⅜
Pan-Am Pet B	91	78½	77⅞	78⅛
Phillips Pet	136	46⅞	46	46⅞
Pure Oil	174	30⅞	30⅝	30⅞
Shell union Oil	166	27½	27	27⅜
Simms Pet	384	26⅜	24⅝	26⅛
Sinclair Con Oil	127	23⅛	22⅞	23⅛
Stand Oil of Cal	158	62⅛	61⅛	61⅞
Stand Oil of N J	126	45⅛	45⅛	45⅜
Texas Company	229	54⅛	53⅝	53⅝
T and P C and O	57	16⅛	16⅛	16⅛
Transcont Oil	132	4⅛	4	4
U S Steel	331	135⅝	134⅝	134⅝
Willys Over	343	29⅞	27⅞	29⅝

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—(AP)—Indicisive price movements characterized today's stock market which witnessed the usual year-end readjustment of speculative accounts. In as much as it was the last day in which losses for income tax purposes could be established on transactions cleared in the regular manner, trading was on an unusually broad scale. Total sales fell just short of 2,000,000 shares with 623 individual issues dealt in, a new high record, the previous maximum of 619 having been established November 6. Major speculative activity was on the upside with the railroad average mounting to a new record high level. New York Central was the outstanding individual issue in that group, moving up over three points to 137⅝, the highest price since 1909.

Steel shares failed to respond to the optimistic tenor of the weekly trade reviews. Iron Age states the year closes with the steel industry producing at high rate backed by a volume of orders exceeding those of a year ago, with prospects considered bright for a continued high pace of operations for several months.

U. S. Steel common showed a net loss of three-quarters at 134⅝.

Speculative activity in the oils broadened on talk of additional mergers involving several of the large independent companies. Associated Oil, which has been mentioned in connection with a possible merger with the Texas Company as well as a likely unit in the new Barnsdall combination, was bid up over two points to a new high record for the year at 47¼, later yielding a point on profit taking. Shell transport also touched a new top. Wall Street also heard reports that the Pan American Petroleum and Transport company was negotiating with the Lion Oil company which operates in the Smackover field, and that Edward L. Doheny was sponsoring a proposed merger between the Pan-American Western Petroleum and General Petroleum companies, but these reports lacked confirmation.

Rock Island's activity revived rumors of a possible merger with Southern Pacific next year, the stock touching a new high record at 58⅝. "Big Four" jumped 11 points to 200 on a few sales.

S. S. Kresge was the outstanding individual feature, soaring 86 points to a record high for all time at 885, or an extreme gain of 530 points above the year's low.

Call money held firm at 6 per cent all day. Time money rates softened somewhat the shortermaturities being available at 4⅝ per cent instead of 4⅞, the prevailing rate of the last few weeks. Prime commercial paper held firm at 4¼ to 4½ per cent.

Foreign exchanges moved within narrow and irregular limits with the trading of a holiday character. Demand sterling ruled around $4.84 13-16 and French francs were slightly easier at 372½ cents.

Radio Programs

THURSDAY, DEC. 31
International Radio Programs
Ether's White-Caps.

9:10 KDKA (309) E. Pitts.—Concert by the Shrine Band and Orchestra.
11:00 KGO (361) Oakland—Farce Comedy "Stray Cats."
9:00 KTHS (375) Hot Springs.—Forst Birthday Party of KTHS.
11:00 WAMD (244) Mlps.—Skyrocket Frolic.

Silent Stations.

Eastern: CFCF, CNRA, WAAM, WAHG, WCAP, WLIT, WOO, WOR, WTAM, Central: KFAB, KFDM, KFKJ, KFUO, KFVE, KSD, WHA, WOS, WSM, WSUI. Western: KGW, KLX.

Evening Concerts.

7:00 P. M.
WNYC (526) New York. Studio.
KDKA (309) E. Pitts. Farm program
WCX (517) Detroit. Symphony Orchestra.
WEAO (294) Columbus. Vocal.
WMBB (250) Chicago. Semi-Classical
WEAR (390) Cleveland. The Larkinite Four.
KFKX (288) Hastings. The Song of the Lazy Farmer.
KFNF (266) Shenandoah. New Year's Eve Program.
WEAF (492) New York. The Larkinites.—also WEEI, WFI, WGR, WSAI, WWY.
WGR (319) Buffalo. The Larkanites.
WOC (484) Davenport. The Larkinites.
WSAI (326) Cincinnati. "WSAI."

7:15 P. M.
WREO (266) Lansing. Male quartet
WGY (380) Schenectady. U. S. Band
WPG (300) Atlantic City. Concert.

7:30 P. M.
WHAS (400) Louisville. Concert.
WDAD (266) Nashville. Program.
CNRM (411) Montreal. Studio program.
WHO (526) Des Moines. Christmas Eve Program.
WLW (423) Cincinnati. Bridge.

7:50 P. M.
WBBB (273) Staten Island. Instrumental Trio.

8:00 P. M.
WMCA (341) New York. Studio.
WEAO (293) Columbus. Musical.
WEEI (349) Boston. Musical.
WEAF (492) New York. The Cliquot Club Entertainers.
WSAI (323) Cincinnati. "WEAF" Ensemble.
WEAR (390) Cleveland. Cliquot Club
KLDS (441) Independence. Classical.
WBZ (333) Springfield. Irish Music.
WORD (345) Zion. Special Concert and Zion Band.
WGX (380) Schenectady. Royal Lour
WHO (526) Des Moines. Bankers' Life Trio.

8:15 P. M.
WBBM (226) Chicago. Stewart-Warner.

8:20 P. M.
KYW (536) Chicago. Musical.

8:30 P. M.
WMBB (250) Chicago. Popular. 2 hr.
WOAI (385) San Antonio. Trio.
WRC (469) Washington. Royal Salon.
WKRC (326) Cincinnati. Vocal music.
WMAQ (448) Chicago. Whitney Trio.

8:45 P. M.
WORD (275) Batavia. Ill. Vocal.
WRNY (259) New York. Classic Theatre.

9:00 P. M.
WEAR (390) Cleveland. Organ.
WOAW (526) Omaha. Classical.
WGN (370) Chicago. Drake
WMAQ (448) Chicago. U. of C. chimes from Mitchell Tower.
KMA (252) Shenandoah. Vocal.

9:05 P. M.
WBZ (333) Springfield. Concert.

9:30 P. M.
WSMB (316) New Orleans. Musical (2 hr.)
WBAP (476) Fort Worth. Concert
WHT (400) Chicago. Studio Program

10:00 P. M.
KYW (536) Chicago. "Evening at Home."
WBCN (266) Chicago. Semi-Classical.
WOK (217) Homewood, Ill. Popular
KHJ (405) Los Angeles. Musical (2 hr.)
KDKA (309) E. Pitts. Midnight Review.
WLW (423) Cincinnati. New Year's Celebration.
KDKA (309) E. Pitts. Shrine Band.
KGO (361) Oakland. A Farce Comedy—"Stray Cats."
KPO (420) San Francisco. Radio Eight Syphony Orchestra.
WOC (484) Davenport. New Year's Eve program.
WIP (509) Philadelphia. New Year's Celebration.

10:30 P. M.
WGES (250) Oak Park, Popular (2 1-2 hour.)

10:45 P. M.
WSB (428) Atlanta. Organ.

10:55 P. M.
WGY (380) Schenectady. Trinity Chimes.

10:59 P. M.
WRZ (333) Springfield. New Year's Revue.
WPG (300) Atlantic City. Welcome to 1926.

11:00 P. M.
WIBO (226) Chicago. Midnight Jamboree, (3 hr.)
WOC (484) Davenport. Orchestra.
WHO (526) Des Moines, New Year's Eve program.
WIP (509) Philadelphia. "Old Liberty Bell."

11:30 P. M.
CJCM (312) Mt. Joli. Theatre.
WHT (400) Chicago. Your HoHur League.

12:15 Mid.
WHT (400) Chicago. Your Hour League.

12:15 A. M.
WLW (423) Cincinnati. Midnight Bow-Wows.

FEATURE TALKS

5:00 P. M.
WEAF (492) New York, Mid-week Services.
WGBS (316) New York. News Review.

5:30 P. M.
WHAR (275) Atlantic City. Lecture.
WGY (380) Schenectady. Book Chat.

6:30 P. M.
KYW (536) Chicago Amer. Farm Bureau.
WGBS (316) New York. "Footlight and Lamplight."
KGO (361) Oakland. Friend to Boys.
WHAS (400) Louisville. Sunday School.

7:30 P. M.
KYW (536) Chicago. "20 Minutes School.
KOA (322) Denver. Farm Question Box.

9:00 P. M.
WMAQ (448) Chicago. U. of C. Lecture.

10:05 P. M.
WCCO (417) St. Paul. Travel Talk.

WANT TO DANCE?

5:05 P. M.
WIP (509) Philadelphia. Brunswick.

6:30 P. M.
WJY (405) New York. Hotel Astor.

6:45 P. M.
WOAW (526) Omaha. Randall's.

7:30 P. M.
WJR (517) Detroit. Goldbette's' Serenaders.

8:00 P. M.
WMCA (341) New York. Asbury Park.

8:30 P. M.
WGY (380) Schenectady. Dance.

9:00 P. M.
WEAF (492) New York. Goodrich Zippers.
WCAE (462) Pittsburgh. Goodrich Zippers.
WMBB (250) Chicago. Trianon.

9:15 P. M.
WPG (300) Atlantic City. Steeplechase.
WRW (273) Tarrytown. Dance.

9:30 P. M.
WEBH (370) Chicago. Oriole.

10:00 P. M.
WOJ (443) Chicago. Rainbo.
WPG (300) Atlantic City. Silver Slipper.
WBBM (226) Chicago. Moulin Rouge.
WIP (509) Philadelphia. Pagoda.
KMA (252) Shenandoah. Dreamers.

10:05 P. M.
WJZ (455) New York. Club Deauville

10:30 P. M.
WHN (361) New York. Dance.
WEAR (390) Cleveland. Singing Syncopators.

11:00 P. M.
WOC (484) Davenport. Le Claire.

11:15 P. M.
KDKA (309) E. Pittsburgh. Morrowfield.

11:30 P. M.
WEBH (370) Chicago. Oriole.
WCCO (417) St. Paul. Oxford Theatre.

11:45 P. M.
WDAF (366) Kansas City. Nighthawks.

12:00 Mid.
KHJ (405) Los Angeles. Hickman's.
KNX (337) Hollywood. Cocoanut Grove.

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Wichita Falls Churches Planning Watch Parties

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Chorus Choirs to Aid In Bringing in New Season

Churches of Wichita Falls are planning elaborate watch night services to usher in the new year tonight, celebrating an old time custom with appropriate ceremonies. Among programs arranged for this evening are:

First Methodist Church.

A social hour sponsored by the Ansil Lynn League honoring all members of the church will begin at 9:30 o'clock. Games and entertainment will be under the direction of Roy Carter. Refreshments will be served at the close of the affair which will be in the basement.

At 11 o'clock the scene will shift to the main auditorium where a special church service will be held. At this time, appropriate music will be given by the choir under the direction of Joel H. McGregor. The pastor, Dr. Walter J. Johnson, will conduct the service which will close as the clock strikes the hour of midnight.

First Christian Church.

A New Year watch party sponsored by the young people will be a feature of the meeting at the First Christian church beginning at 9 o'clock this evening when members of the Highland Heights and the First Christian churches will be guests. Games will be under the direction of William J. Spreen with the young people assisting, and Miss Charlotte Keevil, social chairman. Extemporaneous speeches will be made by individuals of the churches, it was announced.

Grace Mcthodist Church.

"Tidings of Joy," cantata by Ashford, will be given by the members of the Grace Methodist church choir in a program beginning at 8 o'clock this evening. Following the musical program, games will be played in the basement. At 11 o'clock, a regular service will be held, with the pastor, Rev. Leslie Miller, preaching on "How to Turn Over a New Leaf."

Nazarene Church

Special music and addresses will be included at the service at the Nazarene church in the watch night celebration to be held tonight. Among the speakers will be Rev. R. T. Hodges, Rev. J. P. Ingle, pastor; Rev. Arthur Pratt, Rev. S. B. Wolter and Rev. George Clark; W. B. Evans and daughters, Misses Irene and Eunice Evans, will give musical numbers; Mrs. J. P. Ingle will play a piano solo.

First Presbyterian.

A program has been arranged by the Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian church to be given in connection with a weiner roast at the church. A prayer service will be held at midnight.

Sacred Heart Church.

"New Year's day is Holy Day of obligation of the Catholic church, which means that all Catholics are obliged to attend services on this day and also avoid doing manual labor the same as on Sundays," Father Lawrecen Hoyt, O. S. B., pastor of the Sacred Heart church, said yesterday in speaking of the New Year services.

"This law binds Catholics under pain of mortal sin, provided the necessity does not validly excuse. It is self evident," he said, "of course, that quite a number of Catholics are employed at some occupation which does not permit them to celebrate on Holy days. Naturally, then, they are excused, but not perhaps not from attending services.

"The church has arranged services at such early hours in order to give the working class an opportunity to at least fill the second part of their obligation.

High Mass at 9.

"There will be one mass at Sacred Heart church at 6 o'clock; a second at 7; and high mass at 9 o'clock. An attractive program has been arranged by the junior choir for the 7 o'clock services, and likewise by the seniors at high mass."

Father Lawrence announced the sermon would take the form of a review of the past year and to recount mistakes and "to consider what might profitably be done to avoid them in the future, and to review the many favors from God of which we have been recipients during the past year with a view of seeing how we may gain more of such graces in the coming year."

Special New Year services have been planned for the Church of the Good Shepherd, (Episcopal.)

Yale Evangelical.

A song and prayer service has been arranged for the coming in of the New Year by members of the Yale Avenue Evangelical church. Election of officers of the Christian Endeavor society will be one of the features of the evening with the following numbers:

Psalm, Mrs. J. R. Moore; prayers; reading, J. L. Arnold; "New Year's Resolutions," Jeanette Smith; "My Wish for You,' Rev. W. D. Cook, pastor; "What Must Be Said for the Old and New Year," Mrs. C. Hosford; "A New Year's Day," Mrs. E. W. Ewar; "What the New Year May Do," Mrs. Minnie Mansell; reading, Mattie Cook. The meeting will close with sentence prayers.

C. P. MOSLEY BEGINS WORK WITH BAPTIST CHURCH FRI.

C. P. Mosley, who resigned his position as coach and instructor of science at Junior college to become educational director of the First Baptist church will begin his duties Friday, Jan. 1, according to announcement from the church yesterday.

His work as educational director will include that of general superintendent of the Sunday school and director of young people's work.

REV. WHITE IS SPEAKER IN CONFERENCE AT NOCONA.

Rev. L. S. White, pastor of the First Church of Christ, will speak tonight at the church at Nocona on "Church Finance." The church at that place is having a series of lectures by preachers over this section of Texas in which 25 are included on the program. The meeting began Monday and closes Friday.

YOUNG PEOPLE PLAN UNIQUE SERVICE TO BE HELD SOON.

An evening service to be held Jan. 17 at the First Christian church is being arranged by the young people of the church, according to announcement from William J. Spreen, educational director, yesterday. Music, vocal and instrumental and dramatic readings will be included in the program, he stated.

Nation and City Set for Big Year Of Prosperity

Frank Kell Tells Club Of Optimists to Be Just That

"Signs of the Times, 1926 Version," might have been the title of an optimistic address by an optimistic business man to a club of optimists Wednesday noon when Frank Kell, backing up predictions he made several weeks ago in an address to the chamber of commerce business council, told the Optimists club that 1926 was heading for a banner year in all respects.

Mr. Kell hit the high spots of industry, commerce and finance for the next 12 months. In all of them he has found, he said, sound basis for optimism. International, national, state and local conditions are in his opinion faced with progress and prosperous development in all of the coming year.

Two Disturbing Factors.

There are only two disturbing factors in the world's economic picture now, the speaker asserted. One is the failure of France to recognize her moral and financial responsibility to America by funding her war debt; and the other is unsettled conditions or organized labor in Great Britain. Both of these, he said, are retarding a full expansion of the world's business; but even at that Mr. Kell is of the opinion these two items will be worked out satisfactorily in time.

In the United States the only doubtful condition in the business world is the present value of motor stocks, the speaker said. He believes these are due for a recession in a short time and that when they come down a more healthful condition will prevail in the automobile industry.

Refers to Business.

The speaker started his address by refering to business conditions at the close of the war when Europe's chaotic condition prevailed for months and months without being remedied. The first step in the general direction of improvement was taken, Mr. Kell said, when a meeting of the United States chamber of commerce was held in Galveston and suggestions and recommendations advanced which resulted in establishment of the Dawes' commission. It was the United States chamber of commerce, of which Mr. Kell is a director, that made first overtures to the United States government and agreed to finance the commision's work should it fail in its mission.

The idea was really Owen D. Young's, although Charles G. Dawes finally consented to allow it to take the name of the Dawes commission and accept the results—be they garlands or garbage.

Find a Turning Point.

With the Dawes commission operating, Mr. Kell said, Europe found its turning point. From that time on business conditions abroad began to improve as did political conditions until today the French debt muddle and the British labor unrest constitute the only serious situations.

Turning to the United States and its business review of the past year, Mr. Kell cited the steel industry as a barometer of general business conditions. He admitted that last spring he was alarmed at the situation he found in the steel business, for foreign mills were offering strong competition while domestic mills were paying the highest wages in their history. He told how, in making purchases of steel for one of his railroads, he bought heavily of German products because he could get them $14 a ton cheaper than American-made products of the same grade.

"I wasn't very proud of myself for doing that," Mr. Kell said, "and I thought maybe the steel corporations here would close down when they didn't get my order; but you see they are still running ahead, they are still prospering and their unfilled orders are piling up. So if the steel industry is any sort of barometer of general business conditions, we ought to face a highly prosperous year in 1926."

To Financial World.

From this the speaker turned to the financial world and cited present rediscounts of the Dallas federal reserve bank, of which he is a director, against those of the same bank in 1921. In that year, Mr. Kell said, the Dallas bank had rediscounts of $117,000,000 at one time, while at one time in the present year this figure had receded to as low as $2,500,000. Now, with 50 counties in the district hard hit by drouth and the financial structure disturbed accordingly, the bank's rediscounts amount only to around $10,000,000.

Passing on down the financial line, the speaker mentioned the recent return of England to the gold standard and explained the part the federal reserve system of this country played in aiding this return. He then explained how the federal reserve banks of Boston, Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia and San Francisco recently advanced their discount rate from three and one-half to four percent, saying that this was done because the directors of these banks believed the recent wave of speculation in Wall streets stocks had gone far enough and ought to be stopped.

No Inflation.

Mr. Kell took occasion here to declare there was no sign of inflation in the business world and that the country, aside from the motor industry "and a possible inflation in Flor-

ida of which you may have heard," was sound and stable.

Tax reduction promised by the present congress will go far toward stimulating business interests, Mr. Kell said, and then he explained some of the specific relief to be expected from the inheritance tax which he branded as "unfair," and from other sources.

"Congress will see to it that we get this," Mr. Kell said, "notwithstanding the claims of some of our congressmen that we won't."

At this juncture Mr. Kell spoke in warm praise of Ander Mellon, secretary of the treasury, who he said, was "the soundest man that has occupied the chair since the days of Alexander Hamilton."

Mr. Mellon, the speaker said, was a business man of the most able type; one who "does not play politics and who has the best interests of the country at heart all the time."

The Texas cattle industry is staging a comeback this year, he said, which augurs well for the cattle man. After a period of adversity this great enterprise, Mr. Kell believes, is certain to see better times.

City Is In Good Shape.

For Wichita Falls itself, the speaker concluded with a prediction for a full 12 months of business growth and solid advancement.

"There is no reason why we should not be optimists," he stated. "The day of depression is now past, the nation, the state and city are in good condition. If we can put our shoulders to the wheel now and take advantage of opportunities, we are due for a splendid year."

Entertainment for the occasion was provided by Miss Daisy Wharton, head of the violin department of the school of music of the University of Wyoming; and by William E. Young, baritone of this city. Mrs. F. R. Collard played accompaniments for Miss Wharton's violin solos, and Mr. Young's vocal numbers.

To Name New Club Officers January 15

Election of officers of the Wichita club will take place the evening of January 15, according to announcement made yesterday. A dinner will be held at the club and will be followed by a program under a committee headed by Charles I. Francis.

REV. A. J. HOLT LEAVES TODAY

Goes With Family to New Pulpit in Mart, Texas

Rev. A. J. Holt, former pastor of the Lamar Avenue Baptist church, Mrs. Holt, and their two children, Judson and Margaret Ellen, leave today for Mart, Texas, where Mr. Holt will take up his duties as pastor of the First Baptist church at that city.

Mr. Holt has been pastor of the Lamar Avenue church for the past seven years, taking up his work there in 1918 when the church was small, having lass than one hundred members meeting in a wooden building. During his pastorate, the church has grown to a membership of more than 600 and the building is now a large sized brick structure.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Holt have interested themselves in the life of the community, taking part in civic and religious affairs, making their influence felt during their residence here.

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DIST. 1 HEADS MEET THURSDAY

Irrigation Directors May Decide on Future Plans

The future status of the board of directors of irrigation district No. 1, elections on which will be held Jan. 12, may be determined today at a meeting of the board. This was announced Wednesday by J. A. Kemp, president of the board.

The five present directors—Mr. Kemp, N. H. Martin, T. B. Noble, G. C. Wood and J. S. Bridewell, are all known to be anxious for relief from the ardous duties of serving another two years and if they can do it all would like to step out. Mr. Kemp, Mr. Bridewell and Mr. Wood have expressed themselves to this effect and have indicated that Mr. Martin and Mr. Noble feel the same way. All are busy business men with large private interests which, no doubt, have suffered somewhat because of the time and attention demanded by the irrigation work.

There is a feeling that Mr. Kemp will be prevailed on to retain his place on the board since he has done more than any other single person to bring a fruition the irrigation plan now operative here. Some of his colleagues on the board have declared it would be an irreparable loss to lose Mr. Kemp's services at this time.

It is expected that the directors will make some decision on the matter at their meeting today.

MRS. BOONE IS HOSTESS.

She Entertains Officers of Floral Heights Mission.

Mrs. T. R. Boone, incoming president of the Floral Heights Methodist Missionary society entertained her staff of officers in an executive board meeting at her home, Bluebonnet Hill, Wednesday afternoon. The meeting opened with prayer led by Mrs. M. E. Faulk, and then plans were laid for the work of 1926, when each member discussed her own field of work.

Mrs. M. E. Crowell, corresponding secretary, reported that the society membership was 100 per cent subscribed to the "Missionary Voice."

The board recommended that the society pay its usual $1,000 on the church indebtedness as has been its custom for several years.

The support of a local young woman as a foreign missionary to Korea was also considered.

Announcement was made that a public installation of new officers will be held Sunday at the church, the hour to be decided upon later, with the pastor, Rev. S. A. Barnes, in charge.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Milo Connelly, M. E. Faulk, Lester Jones, L. E. Sterling, R. E. Fleming, Merle Waggoner, M. E. Crowell, J. A. Gardner, O. F. Coleman, Paul Kilpatrick, J. M. Bland, John Tancred, C. B. Montgomery, B. M. Bullard, T. S. Barnes, W. A. McGee and the hostess.

FAIR COMMITTEES MEET.

Educational Committee to Hold Session Jan. 6; Directors to Convene.

A meeting of the educational committee of the Texas-Oklahoma Fair association has been called for Jan. 6, R. E. Shepherd, secretary of the association announced Wednesday. At this time the educational program of the fair for the coming year will be mapped out.

Directors of the fair will meet in the next few days to take up some important matters, it is announced.

Chief of Police Loses the Mayor; It's Moving Day

The chief of police of the city lost the mayor of the city for a while Wednesday and it looked for a time as though he might need a search warrant to find him.

George Hodgins had official business with R. E. Shepherd along in the afternoon and stalked belligerently up the steps to the second floor of the Kahn building where the mayorality office has been established. But there he found nothing but a big stack of rubbish, old catalogs, waste paper and the like.

Hodgins had to go back to the city hall and hold conference with the city clerk before he learned that the mayor's office was moved yesterday morning to the third floor of the new Perkins-Snider building headquarters of the Texas-Oklahoma fair association, of which the mayor is secretary, are now established there along side the chamber of commerce rooms.

WATER DEP'T. FINDS ROOMS

Will Occupy Space in Antlers Hotel At Tenth and Indiana

After running from pillar to post in search of quarters that would provide sufficient working room and would also fit the city's pocket book, the city water department has finally found space in the old Antlers hotel building on the southeast corner of Tenth and Indiana. The department equipment will be moved to that location about Jan. 15, by which time the present rooms in the basement of the Morgan building must be vacated.

A room will also be provided in the location for meeting of the city council, it was stated yesterday by Mayor Shepherd and Utilities Commissioner P. B. Curd.

The Morgan building must be vacated because of alterations that will convert it into a modern, eight-story hotel.

Miss Joiner Goes To Belton Faculty

Miss Alma Lee Joiner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Joiner, has gone to Belton where she will take up the position as English teacher in the Baylor-Belton college for women at that place.

Miss Joiner graduated from that institution in June, 1925, and has been teaching at the Cashion school this fall, and has served as director of the B. Y. P. U.'s of the First Baptist church also.

FINAL RUSH ON CENSUS REPORT

Phone Calls Wednesday Swamp Office Of Supervisor

Telephone calls Wednesday swamped the office of J. T. Nicholas, supervisor of the survey which is being made in Wichita Falls by the United States census bureau, Mr. Nicholas said last night. Because of the number number not included in the lists of the enumerators, it is only possible that a complete list of figures can be given out Thursday as was planned.

Much "checking up" had to be done, for the numerous calls, many were from those parties who were out of town and their names had been given enumerators by neighbors.

Mr. Nicholas thanked the newspapers, the chamber of commerce, city officials and the citizens for their co-operation with the enumerators.

The Old Home Town

B. G. Sharp is expected to return today from Dallas where he has been on business.

Mrs. Charlotte Enright of Fort Worth is the guest of Misses Margaret and Kathryn Murrin at 1107 Austin.

Frank B. Creighton, scout executive, is in Fort Worth attending business matters. He expects to return Friday.

Leander McBirney of Tulsa, Okla., has returned following a visit here with Rev. Leslie Miller and family.

Mrs. M. M. Montgomery has returned from New Orleans where she spent the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Lee Trice.

T. A. Bradley who has been confined to his bed several days with an attack of influenza, is reported better and able now to sit up.

W. L. "Billy" Davidson, proprietor of the Oriental Studios, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the General Hospital last night and was reported to be resting well.

The Kemp public library will be closed New Year's day, according to reports from the librarians yesterday. The library will be reopened Saturday morning at 9 o'clock following the regular closing this evening at 9 o'clock.

MRS. EMMA KIEM DEAD.

Mrs. Emma Kiem, 41, died at a local hospital Wednesday night at 8 o'clock following a prolonged illness of pellegra. The body is being held at Hines Mortuary pending arrival of relatives from Fort Worth.

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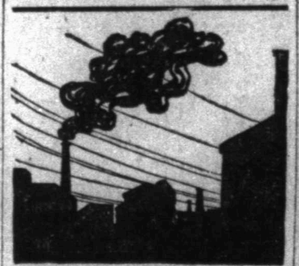
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