

Daylight Robber Of Grocery Store Gets \$50 Robb And Rowley Reacquire Theatres In Big Spring



Has anybody lost a beautiful town-and-white malted cat? If so, call The Herald office.

A lot of us are wondering when his red tape required before you can get a government building under construction is going to come to an end.

Between the i.e.c. red tape and the public building bureau's red tape Big Spring is getting a pretty handsome squeezing, but not a loving caress, as it were.

A guy asks us which waitress we alluded to yesterday, about wearing her clothes so gracefully, becomingly as they say. In case any of the girls themselves ask us our reply is 'all of 'em'.

But, that's already built. What we're interested in is that handsomely built postoffice building for which Big Spring got a \$105,000 appropriation a long time ago. And, also, why not let architects out in this part of the country have a chance at least to bid on the contract for plans and specifications.

Our special observer in Washington, D. C. has this to say about public buildings:

IT WILL HELP—BUT WHEN?

Contract awards for public and semi-public works last week totaled \$28,229,530 for 318 projects in 40 states and the District of Columbia, according to a statement of the president's unemployment relief committee. The addition of this amount brought the total of contract awards reported since Dec. 1, 1930 to \$2,854,131,245.

The 318 projects recently contracted include federal, state, county and municipal construction, bridges, roads, streets, sewers, water supply, hospitals and other types of public and semi-public works.

Such an amount of expenditures is certain to help alleviate the unemployment situation and assist many families, but the main factor in the speed with which the jobs are launched. Awarding of a contract doesn't help feed a jobless workman.

There is scarcely a county in this section of the state which has not one or more projects of the nature mentioned pending now. Official delays prevent the projects from being of much assistance, though. It isn't enough for governing bodies to let contracts and then brag about assisting the unemployed. Quick action must be taken to see that actual construction is started.

Nationalists Seek Release For Mahatma

Bombs Found On Train; Boycott Paralyzes Trade In India

By Associated Press
Indian nationalists announced they are seeking habeas corpus for Gandhi, who was seized Monday. Five bombs were found on a train in Calcutta today. No damage was done. The authorities are hunting those responsible.

Trade is being paralyzed by boycott on British goods. The situation is generally quiet. Nationalists, who are extremely frightened, have taken to cover.

HAIRDRESSER MOVES
E. A. Boch, whose work at the Settles Beauty Salon, made him a very popular hair dresser, has moved to the shop of Mrs. E. A. Martin, in the Crawford Hotel.

Another Customer SATISFIED By Herald Want-ads

A few days ago Mr. W. B. Buchanan lost a dog. It was a little English Bull pup, that the whole family was very fond of. He didn't know where to look for it so he placed a want-ad in the Herald to run six days. After the first insertion he came in and cancelled it for his dog had been returned.

Maybe you haven't lost a dog but Herald Want-ads will get you the results you want.

Phone 728 - 729 To Place A Want-ad

40 Houses In Sixteen Cities Change Hands

Operators For Several Months Return Control To R & R Company

Fred Polacek, manager of the Ritz and Queen theatres returned from Dallas by plane Thursday morning and brought with him announcement from officials of the concern that the Robb and Rowley interests had taken over their properties in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, which for the past several months have been operated by Hughes-Franklin Theatres, and that henceforth the local theatres will be operated as R & R theatres, as they were previous to Hughes-Franklin's entry into this section of the country.

Mr. Polacek attended a meeting of Robb and Rowley Theatres, Inc., in Dallas, after having been there for several weeks for treatment of a sinus trouble. While away he was relieved by Harry Hardgrave of Dallas.

Forty theatres in sixteen cities of the Texas-Oklahoma division of Hughes-Franklin Theatres, Inc., have been reacquired by Robb and Rowley, which last spring sold the circuit to the newly organized chain.

Eight Months
The R & R circuit was in possession of Hughes-Franklin for eight months, during which time the number of theatres in the Texas-Oklahoma division was increased to fifty-five. Only the original R & R houses are to pass back into the Robb & Rowley control, Ed Rowley announced in Dallas. At the time of the purchase by Hughes-Franklin last spring the consideration was announced as \$3,500,000.

Associated with Harold Robb and Ed Rowley in the R & R circuit is J. Yuel Robb of Big Spring, where the circuit was founded by the late J. J. Robb, father of Harold and Yuel. The local theatres were incorporated in the Big Spring Amusement company before the sale of last spring. J. Y. Robb headed that company.

Four theatres in Dallas, and one or more in Big Spring, Corpus Christi, Durant, Del Rio, Laredo, Muskogee, McAlester, Palestine, San Angelo, Sweetwater, San Benito, Sherman, McKinney, Waxahatchie and Hillsboro are affected. The majority of the houses, out side of Dallas, are first-run theatres.

There will be no changes in management under the new transfer, it was said. The former Robb & Rowley organization has remained virtually intact during the period of Hughes-Franklin control.

The Hughes-Franklin organization, now disbanding in this territory, was incorporated for \$5,000, with Howard Hughes, young Houston millionaire, who has now transferred his activities to Hollywood and the production of such pictures as "Hell's Angels" and "The Front Page," as chairman of the board and Harold B. Franklin, former Public president, as president. Franklin resigned as president early in September, leaving Hughes in full control.

Personally Speaking

J. H. Stiff, chief dispatcher for the Texas Electric Service company, who has been ill with a severe cold for a week, has returned to work.

B. F. Logan, of Coahoma, was a visitor in town Wednesday.

Mrs. A. M. Rippes is expecting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jenny House Baer from Dallas tonight. Mrs. Baer lived in Big Spring in the late 80's and has many friends here.

Friends here have received an announcement that the Rev. W. A. Bowen, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church and now pastor of the Hope Baptist Church, Arkansas has received a call to the San Marcos Baptist Church.

Mrs. B. Reagan, Mrs. J. C. Dohlgass, the Rev. R. E. Day and the Rev. and Mrs. Scott Cotton, are attending a Baptist meeting in Lamesa today.

PLAY AT COLORADO
The Crawford Hotel orchestra left this afternoon for Colorado, where it will play for a dance this evening at the Colorado hotel. A number of Big Spring people intend going to the dance.

INFORMAL CLUB CALLED OFF
The members of the Informal Bridge Club will not meet Friday afternoon, as scheduled to the death of Mrs. Bell, mother of Mrs. C. W. Cunningham, who is a member of the club.

'Most Distinguished'



Mrs. Frederick C. Thompson, who works for \$40 a month as assistant superintendent of the community house in Tacoma, Wash., was named as the city's "most distinguished" citizen for 1931.

Crude Output Drops 83,800 Barrels Daily

790,000 - Barrel Increase In Gasoline Stocks Shown

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (UP)—A decrease of 83,800 barrels in daily average crude oil production, an increase of 790,000 barrels in the country's gasoline stocks and lower petroleum imports were reported for the week ended Jan. 2 in the weekly statement by the American Petroleum Institute today.

Daily average gross crude oil production for the week amounted to 2,209,100 barrels, compared with 2,292,900 barrels in the preceding week. Daily average production east of California was 1,709,400 barrels, against 1,793,300 barrels.

Estimated daily average output for the mid-continent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, Panhandle, North, West Central, West, East Central, East and Southwest Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas for the week was 1,348,850 barrels, against 1,430,550 barrels in the preceding week, a drop of 81,700 barrels.

Mid-continent production, excluding Smackover (Arkansas) heavy oil, was 1,325,900 barrels, compared with 1,408,750 barrels, a decrease of 82,850 barrels.

Gasoline stocks at refineries representing 95.2 per cent of the potential refining capacity of the United States totaled 37,989,000 barrels on Jan. 2, compared with 37,199,000 barrels on Dec. 26, and 38,880,000 barrels on Jan. 3, 1931. Imports of petroleum (crude and refined oil) at the country's principal ports for the month of December totaled 7,164,000 barrels, a daily average of 231,097 barrels, compared with 5,628,000 barrels, a daily average of 187,600 barrels for November.

Imports for the week ended Jan. 2 were 1,069,000 barrels, a daily average of 238,429 barrels, compared with 1,766,000 barrels, a daily average of 222,288 barrels for the week ended Dec. 26, 1931.

Receipts of California oil (crude and refined) at Atlantic and Gulf coast ports for the month of December totaled 1,494,000 barrels, a daily average of 48,238 barrels, compared with 1,162,000 barrels, a daily average of 48,258 barrels, the month of November, 1931.

Receipts for the week ended Jan. 2 were 561,000 barrels, a daily average of 80,143 barrels, against 220,000 barrels, a daily average of 31,429 barrels for the preceding week.

Body Of Flier Is Discovered

ELKINS, W. Va., Jan. 7 (AP)—The body of Lieutenant E. H. Bobbitt Jr., 24, was brought here from mountains where he crashed Christmas while going to see his family.

Congressional Seat Sought By R. B. Hood

WEATHERFORD, Jan. 7 (AP)—R. B. Hood, attorney announced his candidacy for congressional-at-large today. He favors lower taxes, less government expenditures and aid to farmers.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mellinger and children have returned from Dallas, where Mr. Mellinger purchased spring stocks for his store.

Dale (Red) Jackson Killed; Partner In Endurance Flight Leaves Sweetwater for Rites

Funeral For Mrs. Bell To Be Saturday

Mother of Local People Died at San Angelo Tuesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Frances L. Bell, 76, who died at San Angelo Tuesday night, will be held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Cunningham, on Security street Saturday at 11 a. m. with the Rev. W. M. Elliott, Presbyterian pastor of Colorado, officiating.

Mrs. Bell, survived by nine children, was a former resident of Big Spring, for many years, and was known to practically every long-time resident of this section.

Besides Mrs. Cunningham, two sons reside here. They are G. F. and C. B. Bell. Other survivors are Miss Jennie Bell, a daughter, San Francisco, Calif.; J. W. and E. R. Bell, Maryville, Calif.; D. R. Bell and C. M. Bell, El Paso, and Charles M. Bell, Pecos, sons.

The body will lie in state at the Cunningham home after this evening.

Active pallbearers will be Grover Cunningham, Ira Driver, Homer McNew, G. C. Durham, Raymond Dunagan, Will Fahnenknecht. Honorary pallbearers: T. E. Currie, W. R. Settles, D. F. Painter, B. H. Settles, A. C. Walker, H. R. Dobson, J. B. Little, R. C. Strain, J. O. Tamsitt, W. M. Fisher, John Wolcott, Otis Chalk, J. I. Prichard, L. B. Cabbie, S. H. Morrison, W. H. Carlike, James T. Brooks, Cliff Talbot, Pete Johnson, A. G. Hall, Dr. M. H. Bennett, Nat Shick.

Japanese In Gate City Of China Proper

Troops Occupy Point Where Chinese Wall Meets Sea

TIENTSIN, Jan. 7 (AP)—It is reported that Japanese occupied Shanhaikwan on the border of Manchuria where the great Chinese wall meets the sea. This place is the chief gateway from Manchuria to China proper.

Sterling Denies Commutation for Condemned Negro

AUSTIN, Jan. 7 (AP)—Governor Sterling denied recommendations of the board of pardons that he commute the sentence of Alfred Jackson, negro, sentenced to life early tomorrow, for the murder of a Texas county negro.

Ira McKee, white man, also will die tomorrow for the killing of W. R. Billingsley of Spargenberg.

Thaw Expected In Panhandle

AMARILLO, Jan. 7 (AP)—A blanket of snow remained in the Panhandle, but a thaw is predicted. Highways are now open. Buses are running on schedule for the first time since Monday. Air traffic also was resumed yesterday.

Bills To Cut Federal Salaries Are Tabled

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—The house expenditures committee today tabled all bills cutting federal salaries.

Bodies Of Two Well-Known Women Fliers Discovered In Wreckage Of Their Airplane

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 7 (AP)—Bodies of Mrs. Ruth Stewart and Mrs. Debbie Stanford were recovered from wreckage of a plane in a mountain in Perry county by J. Paul Lukens, Philadelphia autogiro pilot, today. The wreckage was sighted early

SWEETWATER, Jan. 7 (AP)—Forrest O'Brien, holding world's endurance record for flying with Dale Jackson, is leaving today to attend the latter's funeral in Miami, Florida. Jackson was killed yesterday when wings collapsed while stunt flying.

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 7 (AP)—Dale "Red" Jackson, daredevil of the skies and co-holder of the world's endurance flying record, plunged to his death at Municipal Airport here yesterday, in view of hundreds of persons who watched him stunt a small amphibian plane 3,000 feet above the ground.

Jackson had completed an inside loop when the horrified spectators below, inspecting final preparations for tomorrow's opening of the all-American air show, saw a wing fall away from the plane. The plane tipped over to the side and slipped into its fatal descent. Then the second wing fell away.

The crowd watched for Jackson to jump from the pilot's seat with his parachute, but he apparently was unable to get clear.

The winged plane crashed to the ground about a mile from the stand for judges of the air races. One wing soared away several blocks before landing.

An ambulance rushed to the spot, and drivers found Jackson's body in the pilot's seat. His skull was fractured, but there was no other apparent mark on the body. His right hand clutched the ring of his parachute cord.

Missouri Man Slays Five Of His Children

Wife and Daughter Injured; Prominent Man Grows Insane

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., Jan. 7 (AP)—Oliver Davenport, 50, apparently insane, killed five children with a hammer, and seriously wounded his wife and another child. He killed himself with a shotgun in his home near Petton. Recovery of Mrs. Davenport and daughter is considered doubtful. Neighbors hurried into the house after daybreak when a son, 12, ran screaming for help. The Davenport family was one of the most prominent in this section.

Drilling Contractor And Woman Killed In Accident At Crossing

LONGVIEW, Texas, Jan. 7 (AP)—A. Z. Rodgers, of Oil City, Louisiana, drilling contractor and an unidentified woman were killed when a passenger train struck an automobile in which they were riding. A heavy fog prevented seeing the approaching train, it is claimed. The car was demolished. Rodgers established headquarters in Gladewater six months ago.

Funeral Arrangements For Slayers Incomplete

HOUSTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—Funeral arrangements for Harry and Jan. Ennis Young, are as yet undetermined.

The undertaker is hunting Harry's wife. A dispatch from Springfield said the burial was to be there, but a Springfield undertaker had previously said he would take the bodies to Missouri for their mother.

Airways Official Visits Big Spring

M. T. Stalter, Dallas, terminal manager and assistant operations manager, American Airways, was a visitor in Big Spring Thursday. He was accompanied here by Marshall McCrea, American Airways representative at Abilene, formerly of Big Spring. Mr. Stalter is en route to Los Angeles, Calif.

PINCKERT 'HITS THOSE LINES'



Erny Pinckert, all-america halfback of the University of Southern California, is pictured here in his new role, that of newspaper cartoonist. He signed with a Los Angeles paper immediately after helping his team win the New Year's day classic at Pasadena from Tulane. Pinckert's first professional drawing, naturally, is of his grid coach, Howard Jones.

Complaints Against Payment Of War Debts To United States Grow Among Leaders Of Allied Nations

By HENRY T. RUSSELL
United Press Staff Correspondent
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LONDON, Jan. 7 (UP)—Complaints against payment of war debts to the United States are growing daily in Europe.

Many statesmen and economists, particularly in France, declare the economic chaos of the world is such that unless Germany pays her reparations, further installments to the United States are impossible.

Others, including the British economist, Sir George Paish, insist payment of war debts will bankrupt the world.

Some observers claim Britain never will apply, but in hand for remissions from the United States.

The only prominent Britisher demanding cancellation or revision is Lord Beaverbrook, publisher of the Daily Express and the Evening Standard.

Lord Beaverbrook repeated the demand for abolition of American war debt payments in the Evening Standard, declaring "It is better to realize that France made it quite clear at the time of settlement that she had not the slightest intention of paying us if Germany did not pay her."

The latter suggestion was reinforced by the French financial expert, Frederic Jenny, spokesman for a group of six principal French financial institutions known as the "Grandes Banques," insisting that intergovernmental debts and reparations must be linked, Jenny told the United Press.

"France's budget for repayment of debts to England and the United States has been built on the assurance of a steady income from German reparations," in accordance with the Young plan.

Sir George Paish, who over a year ago predicted the present economic chaos, renewed his warnings, adding that war debts and tariffs were driving the world into bankruptcy.

"The situation has now reached the stage of 'can anybody pay anybody'?" He should not allow things to come to the point where nations who, like Britain, are prepared to pay if they are allowed to by their creditors, should be forced to admit they cannot pay."

New Members Of C-C Announced

New members of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce were announced Thursday morning through Manager C. T. Watson, as follows: Dr. J. Richard Spang, Rev. D. R. Lindley, El. W. Henry, Club Cafe, Jesse Maxwell, William Dixon, Big Spring Printing company, Firestone Service Stores, Inc., Waples Platter Grocery company, Webb Smitham.

FARM LEADERS MEET
FORT WORTH, Jan. 7 (AP)—Farm leaders in many sections opened annual meeting of Texas Agricultural Workers' association. The meeting ends tomorrow.

Hi-Jacker In Cool 'Attack' On Register

Catches All Employees At Work, With Eyes Off Cash Drawer

A casual caller who entered the front door of Linck's Food Store No. 2 at West Third and Gregg streets about 9 o'clock Thursday morning caught employees off guard, and, stepping over a counter "rungs up" 18 cents on the cash register to open the drawer, took \$40 in one dollar bills and a couple of \$5 bills and walked out.

The "checker," who receives money for all purchases, had stepped to the back of the store to wait on a customer.

The man in charge of the meat department had gone into the vault for some meat to place on display.

Ralph Linck, proprietor, at his desk on a balcony, was busy and had his back to the front of the store.

When the checker returned to the register to ring up the next sale he found all the supply of currency placed in the drawer for the day had disappeared very suddenly.

Beyond noticing without paying any special attention, that a person had come into the store, those present were not aware that the robbery had been committed until it was all over and the robber had disappeared.

Senator Seeks To Eliminate Ads Via Radio

Couzens Introduces Resolution Asking For Investigation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AP)—Senator Couzens today offered a resolution directing the radio commission to investigate radio advertising with a view of controlling or eliminating it.

Bob Pyeat To Be In Meat Department Of Hodges Grocery

R. C. (Bob) Pyeat, well-known local resident and former manager on the Handy Andy store, and John Hodges, announced Thursday that, with completely new equipment, Pyeat would in a few days be in charge of the meat department for the John Hodges grocery on East Third street opposite the Settles hotel.

Mr. Pyeat has had thirteen years' experience in the wholesale meat business. He said that he would offer a complete line of all types of meats, including neckbones of various kinds, at all times. He issued an invitation to his friends to visit him in his new business location.

The Weather

By U. S. Weather Bureau
Big Spring, Texas
Jan. 7, 1932

Big Spring and vicinity—Fair to night and Friday, not much change in temperature.

West Texas—Generally fair to night and Friday. Frost and freezing in southeast portion tonight.

East Texas—Generally fair to night and Friday except cloudy in south and east portions. Frost to night in north and south portions if clear. Freezing in north portion.

New Mexico—Fair tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES	F.M.	A.M.
1:30	43	42
2:30	44	44
3:30	45	45
4:30	46	46
5:30	47	47
6:30	48	48
7:30	49	49
8:30	50	50
9:30	51	51
10:30	52	52
11:30	53	53
12:30	54	54
Max. 45; min. 38.		

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Dallas-EI Paso-Twenty High P. M. Today
Big Spring—cloudy, occasional light rain; visibility 10; Dallas—sky, overcast; visibility 10; El Paso—sky, clear; visibility 10; Max. 45; min. 38.

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Egyptian Toothaches

DR. ROY L. MOODIE, of the den-
tal college of the University of
Southern California, has spent the
past two years studying the teeth
of Egyptian mummies and has
now come to the conclusion that
Egyptians knew nothing whatever
about dental hygiene and that most
of them were toothless at 40-
after, presumably, having suffered from
enough toothaches to make the
bravest man tremble.

All of this may have been the
Egyptians' hard luck and not ours;
but there is something peculiarly
interesting in it, for it suggests a
new way of looking at history. And
if you follow it through you may
lose a little of that universal hu-
man habit of looking back regret-
fully at the good old days of long
ago.

Briefly, it indicates that the va-
rious "golden ages" of the past
must have had a great many rough
places in them. Our own age may
be unexciting, but we can at least
relieve the ills of the flesh a lot
more rapidly and efficiently than
our forefathers could.

It might have been nice to live in
old Egypt—or in Periclean Greece,
or Augustan Rome, or in any other
of those spacious days of bygone
centuries. But would you have liked
living in a time and place where
there was no remedy for the
aching short of knocking the aching
tooth out with a cold chisel?

This, very likely, is an excessively
pessimistic way of looking at things;
yet when you multiply a succession
of minor aches and pains far
enough you get a sum total of dis-
comfort great enough to put your
whole life off to look even
of fixing ailing teeth to look even
of the most rudimentary form of eye
glasses, to be obliged to leave such
troublesome things as infected sin-
uses totally undisturbed, to have
to put up with bad tonsils and over-
grown adenoids no matter how
bad they got—is the prospect pleas-
ant?

We probably lack some things that
the ancients had, these days.
Yet we do live in almost infinitely
greater physical comfort, and the
fact is worth remembering. It
makes up for a lot of things we
may be missing.

OPINIONS OF OTHERS

The Tax Alternative

Kansas City Times:
IT HAS BEEN assumed, of course,
that the democrats would formu-
late their own tax program. But
an analysis of the administration
recommendations forced the con-
clusion that any marked variance
from the plan offered by the republicans
would mean less revenue than the
estimated 900 million increase of
the new administration rates and
exemptions.

This conclusion is strengthened
by the tentative plan suggested by
the democratic policy committee.
This plan would not lower the pre-
sent exemptions, and it would de-
pend on the higher incomes and in-
creased inheritance taxes and on a
gift and limited estate tax for the
great bulk of the new revenue,
which, it is admitted, would not
be so much as sought by the ad-
ministration.

Perhaps this modification is good
politics, but it is not good states-
manship. There should be a wider
spread of the taxing basis. It is just
and desirable that more should pay
taxes when a great emergency ex-
ists. It is better to have the higher
incomes pay more than the lower
than to have the lower incomes pay
more than the higher. Certainly
the democratic plan should produce
at least as much revenue as the
republican plan, however the revenue
may be derived.

HOW'S your HEALTH

Elaborate
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BRONCHITIS IN CHILDREN

The respiratory and circulatory
systems of the child's constitution
differ from those of the adult's.
Their ratio to the other systems
are less than those prevailing in
the fully developed body.

At the time of birth the brain
is one-quarter the size it will at-
tain at maturity; though the body
weight is but one-twentieth of the
adult weight.

The infant's liver is one-eigh-
teenth the size of the body while
with the adult it is one-thirty-sixth
the size of the body.

For these reasons, and for oth-
er, too, the infant and the young
child are more predisposed to cer-
tain diseases than are older per-
sons. Among these we find
bronchitis.

Bronchitis is exceedingly com-
mon in the first five years of life.
It is invariably present in the
widespread diseases of childhood,
namely, measles, and whooping
cough.

A certain number of constitu-
tional and other conditions con-
tribute to the special susceptibility
of the young child to bronchitis.

Thus the small size of the nos-
tril and nose passages leads to easy
clogging of the upper respiratory
path, to the damming up of secre-
tions, and hence to mouth breath-
ing.

This in turn opens the way to
irritation of the trachea and bron-
chia, and to bronchitis.

The infant's nasal passages
should be kept clean and clear,
particularly when it suffers from
a slight running nose.

This may be accomplished by the
aid of an applicator about the ends
of which is wrapped absorbent cot-
ton.

The action should be very gentle.
The cotton-covered ends of the ap-
plicator may be dipped in alcohol.
Enlarged tonsils and adenoids,
and rickets, are known to predis-
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SUNSET PASS by Zane Grey

SYNOPSIS: Trueman Rock
is a poor cowboy,
but actually he has a stake of
\$10,000 which he has brought
from Texas on his return to
Wagonmouge. He intends to
try to get a job with Gage Pres-
ton, owner of a large outfit, who
is suspected of cattle rustling.
Rock has a firm reputation for
honesty, but his quickness with
a gun caused his speedy de-
parture from Wagonmouge six
years before. The motive for
connecting with Preston is that
Rock has fallen in love at sight
with Preston's daughter, Thir-
ty. In addition to the rumors about
Gage Preston, Rock is worried
by the antagonistic attitude of
Ash Preston, Thirly's brother,
who has the reputation of being
a killer. Rock's affair with
Thirly also is threatened by the
jealousy of Amy Wund, now
Mrs. John Dabb, an old friend of
Rock's. Sol Wintert, another
friend, warns Rock of danger.

Chapter 9
"I'VE HIT THE TRAIL!"
"Reckon I'll find out a lot
pronto," said Trueman. "Never
could keep things from comin' up
myself, particularly trouble. But, Sol,
local my life's sorry I don't let
it ride down on me, on a long
one. I'm soberin' a little and real-
ize how crazy it seems to you."

"Not crazy, son," replied Wintert.
"It's wild, perhaps, to let
yourself go over this girl all
in a minute. But then, wild or not,
might turn out good for Thirly
Preston."

"Sol, why is her face so and?"
queried Rock, stirred by his
friend's implication.
"I don't know. I've asked her
why she looks sad—which you can
see when she's not speakin', but
she always makes herself smile an'
laugh then. Says she can't help
her face. She's sorry I don't let
it. Rock, it hurts Thirly, sort of
startles her, to mention that. It
makes her think of somethin' un-
happy."

"It's for me to find out," said
Rock.
"You bet. I've always been puzzled
and troubled over Thirly."
"True, it may be wrong thinkin',
but you've grown to be a man."
But one last word. These Prestons
have heard all about you, natural-
ly, an' when you ride out on the
range it'll all come fresh again.
No cowboy ever had a finer reputa-
tion than you—for bein' keen an'
honest an' clean, an' a wonder at
your work. You never drank
much, compared to most cowboys.
But your gun record was bad—
forgive me, son, I don't want to
offend. Remember I'm your
friend. Every old-timer here
knows you never went around
lookin' for trouble. It's not that
kind of a bad point you were on.
You've spilled blood on the
range, often, an' more'n once fatal.
That made you loved by a few,
feared an' misunderstood by many,
an' a mark for every game-huntin'
sheriff, gambler, an' compunher
in the country.

"Now you're back again, after
some years, an' all you've done
here will come up. An' your Tex-
sain's, whatever they were, will
follow you. Now the point I
want to make is this: Preston
knows most of this or will know
it soon, an' if he keeps you in his
outfit it will be pretty strong proof
that those queer dark hints from
the range are without justifica-
tion."

"Sol, it would seem so," replied
Rock, meditatively.
"Wal, it'd be good if you find it
that way. For Thirly's sake first,
an' then for everybody concerned.
Then these hints against Preston
will be little different from those
concernin' our ranchers. Most
outfits have cowboys who brand
calves an' kill beavers they oughtn't
to. That's common, an' it don't
count, because they about all do it."

Rock regarded his anxious friend
thoughtfully for a moment. "Wintert,
you've made a point you weren't
calculatin' on. You're hopin' I'll
find Preston one of the common
run of ranchers. But you're afraid
I won't."

"It was nearly noon the followin'
day when Rock had his pack outfit
ready to travel. Leslie came up
presently with the white horse.
"Black leather an' silver trim-
mings," said the rancher, admiring-
ly. "Never seen a finer horse
dressed up. An' the son-of-a-gun is smart
enough to know he looks grand."
"He's smart," agreed Rock, with
shining eyes. "Now we'll see if he'll
hang me on the fence."

"Rock, you can ride 'most any-
thing," observed Leslie, his appre-
ciative glance running over Rock.
The white horse took Rock's
mount easily, pranced and champed
a little, and tossed his head.
"Good day and good luck, rancher,"
said Rock.

"Same to you, cowboy," replied
Leslie, heartily. "Reckon you don't
have any advice about them hard
nuts down in the Pass?"
"Need it all right, but can't wait
when you see Sol tell him I'm off
fine and dandy," rejoined Rock.

With that he headed down the
road which the Prestons had taken
the preceding day. Before Rock
was far out of town he had as-
certain his horse was a fast
walker and had an easy trot. For
speed and endurance, Leslie had
committed himself to the claim
that no horse in the country could
approach him.

"I've hit the trail," sang out Rock,
exultingly, though it was a broad,
well-trodden road that he was travel-
ing.
"Howdy, yourself!" returned Rock.
"Howdy, cowboy!" returned Rock.

As many times as he had ridden
out from Wagonmouge and other
towns, and from the innumerable
range camps all over the West,
not one of them had ever been like
this venture.

Out of town a little way Rock
caught up with a young rider who
had evidently seen him.
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LET'S HAVE SOME PEP
One onlooker during the Steers-
Angelo game here Thursday night
remarked that the Pep Squad "look-
ed good. However he went further
and said that the yelling was not as
it should be and that the Boys' Pep
Squad should do a little yelling
once in a while to help out the
girls.

We think we have one of the best
Pep Squads in all West Texas, at
least as good a representation of
our student body. But the thing is
to get it into the Pep Squad.
"Why is it that our yelling and
singing and spirit is so lifeless? We
have noticed that when a yell is
given, usually only one-third of
the Pep section is really doing its
best. The rest are either observing
the game, looking at someone in
the auditorium, or talking with
the neighbor. Such actions are not
to be included in the term "School
Spirit." On few occasions during
the game was the entire yelling
section really doing its part, the re-
sult was wonderful when they did,
though. Even the whole crowd was
"pepped up" to some extent.

We don't believe that the Boys'
Pep Squad gave more than three or
four yells all during the game. If
ever there was a time when a team
should get the backing of the Pep
Squad, it is now. Don't let a few
members of the student body con-
vey the idea that a Pep Squad is
of little value. Such is absurd and
ridiculous! Where there is no Pep
Squad the school spirit is terrible.
And we have a real Pep Squad, one
that is better than the average
high school type, and one that
could become the best Pep Squad
in all Texas! Those who are now
in the squad are to be praised for their
love for the school and willingness
to become a member. This kind of
spirit is hard to stop, so not only
yelling, but feel it in your
surroundings at the result, get your
into every yell our love for the
game, sports, and school, and when
the next big game is over, if this
resolve is followed, you will truth-
fully say, whether we win or lose,
that you feel a lot more enthu-
siasm.

This editorial was written by
the editor, not as a "knock" but
as a suggested aid. This does not ap-
ply alone to the Pep Squad, but al-
so to the student body. Get behind
the team and let's send it again to
the state final this year. Our record
is still clean for this year.

**SHOTS FROM
SHOWERS**
Basketball season is under way.
After weeks of practice the Steers
have been having daily games.
Monday and Tuesday they took on
double-headers.

Under George Brown's coaching
the Steers have yet to meet defeat.
They have taken on the Faculty,
Cosden, Lomax twice, Angelo
twice, Cosham twice, Ackerly,
and Colorado.

Of all these teams the Cosham
quintet gave the Steers their best
game. Although the second half
wasn't as exciting as the first, it
was a real game. It really threw a
scary into the Steers' fans. How-
ever, when the Steers came back
at the half, they rang up seventeen
points before the third quarter
ended.

The Lomax community has a
real team. Captain Woods, the
outstanding man for the Hornets,
is a floor man worthy of any team.
With these two teams on the field
we say now it will be an interest-
ing game tournament with some
one else on the field except the
Hornets, two years champions.

Ben Daniel's Devils have also
been busy. With no defeats to
their record they plan to take on
the junior Colorado team Tuesday.
They have repeated by beating the
Lomax team and Monday night
they won 14-12 over practically the
same Ackerly team the Steers beat.
They are planning to enter a
tournament at Odessa and will
give several teams good battles.

The Steers' journey to Colorado
Friday and Saturday to enter the
annual tournament. Teams from
all the Sand Belt will be there. The
Steers will rate high and if they
means anything the Steers will join
athletic relations with the Abilene
Eagles for the first time this year.
Last year, when the Bovines
routed over the Eagles two con-
secutive nights, marked the first
time the Steers won a major ath-
letic victory over the Eagles in
many a year.

This year the Eagles are report-
ed to have their usual "great team."
With the football flag tucked
away, they are out for basketball
glory. Several of their star foot-
ball men also shine in basketball
tops. Smith and Groselove are
both stars.

The Angelo Bobcats came here
with a great team. Although they
fought hard the whole game, the
Steers slowly ran up a lead with
Angelo never catching up. Friday
night in the Concha City, the
Steers slowly ran up a lead with
which hampered their speed. They
came out after many slides and
falls with one more goal than the
Angelo five.

If the Steers fans haven't seen
this year's team in action, they
should come out and see them
soon. Reed, with his tall figure
under the basket, rarely misses a
shot. Morgan and Hopper can
sink crisp shots with rare ability
and if there ever were two alert
guards, Flowers and Forrester are
they. They are in the game every
minute. Both are fast and quick.
Flowers is one of the best dribblers
to ever appear in the Steer gym.
Big Hopper, with his one-hand
style and his ability to take the
ball from the goal, ranks high in
the forward list.

J. A. Coffey's Calves have been
improving daily. With new men
to swell the ranks he has one of
the best teams in the county. Mon-
day he took a game from the Cos-
ham juniors after dropping one
to the Lomax juniors a few days
before.

**Six To Finish
School Work
At Mid-Term**
Six students of Big Spring High
School who will graduate at Mid-
Term, having completed their
credits are: Charles E. D. Mc-
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Nathan Orr, Walter Deats.

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English Class Enjoys Peep Into Private Correspondence of Pupil

The exact limits of the note-writ-
ing period have never been deter-
mined by any student of the sub-
ject. Some people start as soon as
they learn how to write and stop
when they cease to exist. Others get
enough of note-writing before that
time. Even others stop after college
or high school. A few never write
notes. And so it goes. Whether it
is a harmful pastime or not is deter-
mined by the subject of the note
and the intention of the writer.
"Munty" notes have been known to
cause no end of trouble, especially
when a suspicious mother finds one
and reads it. "Getting told" notes
may get someone's hair pulled, or
someone's ear knocked down. Re-
mances have been broken up at
least a few times. We write that note
times by mere notes. The subject
offere matter for thought, discus-
sion, dissertation, etc.

The following note threw one of
Miss Cox's English classes into a
fit of laughter. "No, it is not a 50c
permanent. I paid \$2.50 for it. Why
don't you like it? If you don't it
don't bother me in the least; I don't
know as that will hurt my looks at
all. Where can you get a permanent
for 50c? I didn't know you could
get them that cheap. Your's looks
like a fifty cent one—Well, wonder
what your's would look like (*****)
scratched one (*****) I want to know
why you have took such a dislike to
me; I don't know as I have done
anything that would make you that
way, if I have done anything or
said anything I would like for you
to let me know about it. Please an-
swer. Well, you wrote that note
about me. I did not write it, who
did I write it to? That sure is lots
to get mad about."

**Cagers Start
Match Games**
Preliminary Contests Fin-
ished; Hard Work
Is Begun

With the practice season behind
them the Steers start training for
the Sand Belt Association schedule.
They have come out on top on their
practice schedule and intend to
gather in the district title. With
the semi-final games behind them
the pointing toward the Colorado
tournament. Perhaps the best
fact that Dennis played on a team
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**Dennis Ranks
Fifth in State**
Tack Dennis, local fullback who
led the state in points scored for
the season, received the votes of
ten of the thirty-nine sport writers
who acted as judges in making an
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**Senior Diary Is
Of Great Outing
During Holidays**
By HUDSON HENLEY
There was a most interesting bit
of news in yesterday's paper: "Due
to the fact that tomorrow is the
first day of government inspection
of heating and drinking units in
the schools, there will be a holiday
period to last the entire school
day." That is absolutely the best
news item I have ever seen in our
local paper. Gosh, what a break
for us—and the teachers.

Right after breakfast I went
over to Evelyn's and made her get
up and eat. Then we phoned her
bunch and organized a program
for the day, ap' all-day hike. Ev-
erybody was enthusiastic, since
the temperature was just right to
make a fur coat feel swell. At
nine thirty sharp we all started
from Evelyn's. Such a bunch of
girls! We turned out to be. The
like of queer coats and sweaters,
caps, hats, tams, stockings, socks,
boots, and gloves was astounding.
No two articles of clothing was
alike.

Our first stop was Soldiers Hill,
the local Mt. Sinai. We got a kick
out of the view, especially since it
was a summer day. The last time
we hiked there. However, the
wind howled gloomily and got
right next to our skin up there;
we broke into a run for the lake
to get warm again. It only took
us a few minutes to reach the west
end of the lake and discover an
empty beach, which was probably
a boat house before the water re-
ceded. At any rate, it constructed
a rude stove in the shack out of
some rocks and sand. For a
smokestack we were stumped at
first. Later we hacked a hole in
the top of that purpose. By that
time the "gang" of firewood col-
lected and the coeds took charge
of the program.

Dinner was excellent, being po-
tatoes, toast, coffee, bacon, pork
and beans, and apples. All ate
heartily and enjoyed the meal no
end. "Dodo" and Sandy got their
crack at dunking their toast in
the coffee. "Babe" made a smart
crack at someone by which she
had a hot potato dumped down the
back of her shirt. Following which,
we enjoyed a most comical Indian
dance, which we dubbed "The Po-
tato Twist."

After dinner we sat around the
edge of the lake, watching the re-
flection of the tall trees in the wa-
ter, gazing at the clouds of a sun-
less sky, and listening to the gen-
tle plunk, plunk of the undulating
waves as they lapped against the
sun-kissed rocks of the encircling
shore. How romantic, flutter, flut-
ter, pitter, patter, etc.

Even when you feel get cold,
especially when your feet get cold;
therefore we played chess in the
woods until five-thirty. All of a
sudden it began to snow, the air
becoming entirely too chilly for
comfort's sake. Bill knew of a
farmhouse nearby, so we made for
it. The farmer was a jolly old
fellow fed us and made a big fire in
their front room for us. But that
wasn't the half of it. It seems that
he could fiddle darn well and his
wife accompanied on the piano as
well. Dancing followed until ten,
at which time the farmer announ-
ced that he would take us home if
the boys would hike the team and
put hay in the wagon. Would we?

The moonlight hayride in the
snow was absolutely beyond de-
scription. Words fail me, and im-
agination runs riot. Our rural
friend wouldn't accept any money,
though. We had to fool him and
let Sandy slip a collection of ten
bucks into his coat pocket on the
way home. Needless to say, a good
time was had by all today. I'm
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Watch Party Chief Social Event Of Week

Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship
Entertain At Auditor-
ium Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blankenship
entertained the faculty and high
school seniors with a watch party in
the gym last Thursday evening.
The Blankenships were assisted by
Misses Clara Cox, Kitty Wingo,
Mary McElroy and some of the
foods girls.

The guests enjoyed many games
and several contests. After the
games were played the guests moved
their chairs facing the stage and
a brief program was given. Miss Cox
acted as master of ceremonies. The
Blankenships greeted the guests. Dr.
E. O. Ellington, president of the
school board, drew many a laugh
with jokes in which he accused a
number of young women of the city
teaching staff of planning matri-
mony "thout giving the school
board

Days When Big Spring Hogs Also Claimed Main Street For A Pen Recalled By Former Alderman

W. A. Turnstill, citizen of Big Spring from 1903 to 1914, writes of his experiences here during the early days of the city. Reminded by an article appearing in the Herald about the "First Motor-Driven Fire Truck" operated in Big Spring, he relates several interesting incidents which happened in Big Spring while he was an Alderman of the city.

In 1908 the only fire-fighting equipment was a hose reel mounted on a cart which was pushed to a fire by two men. The city councilmen decided better equipment was needed but the town was not large enough to purchase a truck, so states Turnstill. Individual subscriptions had to be taken among the citizens and Turnstill was among those who helped solicit funds to buy this first fire truck. He recalls how the salesman, from whom the truck was purchased, told that it was the first motor-driven fire truck sold in Texas.

George Eason, one of the first drivers of this truck, referred to in a previous article, was a little fellow about fifteen years of age at the time the truck was purchased, according to Turnstill. This great deal and helped work on the truck. The first driver was so accustomed to driving that he was dismissed and the job given to George Eason.

At the time the truck was purchased, G. D. Lee was mayor of Big Spring. He is now deceased. Later L. T. Deane was mayor. In addition to Turnstill the aldermen were: Walter Gentry, Pete Johnson, and W. R. Cole, all of whom are still living. Those deceased are Buck Jackson and John Davis.

Turnstill recalls that he was a member of the council when the first sidewalk was built in Big Spring. This first walk extended from the T-P station to the old Cole Hotel. He signed the order for the first street lights, which were installed in 1908. He states that a great argument arose among the citizens as to where the lights should be placed. The final decision was that they be placed on Main, Johnson and Seary streets.

The greatest argument, which arose between citizens and councilmen, according to Turnstill, was over the granting of a franchise to the Big Spring Water Company. This was about 1909. A greater part of the citizens believed the rates of the company to be too high. Nevertheless, the franchise was granted and everyone was satisfied after a few months of service, so states Turnstill.

At the time Turnstill moved to Big Spring the hogs made Main street their principal habitat. He recalls that Buck Jackson made a motion to order the swing off the street and he (Turnstill) seconded the motion. This ordinance was passed and all hogs were ordered off the streets.

Turnstill states that he owned the fifth automobile in Howard county. It was in the first carload of automobiles which was ever unloaded at Big Spring. He states that it was a old Reo, two cylinders and chain drive. It carried a large number "7" which was the license number.

Turnstill came to Big Spring as a real estate and investment broker. He was active in selling land around Big Spring and Lamesa. He states that he has sold the same piece of land as many as three times in the same year and made a good profit each time. He lived in Big Spring until 1914 when he moved to Long Beach, California. Later he moved to Fort Worth, where he has lived for the past twelve years. He is at present engaged in the oil business in Fort Worth. He has operated in Howard county and other West Texas counties.

Deposits At High Figure December 31 Surplus, Undivided Profits High; No Money Borrowed by Banks

Adding another indisputable testimony to the fundamental strength of the city's financial institutions, the statements of condition of the three Big Spring banks, all national institutions, for December 31, 1931, issued Monday morning on call of the comptroller of the currency, showed them to be among the strongest banks in all Texas.

Total deposits—in spite of the fact that tax paying has been done since the preceding quarterly report—was \$2,308,673.63 or just \$260,126.44 less than the total at the end of the third quarter of 1931.

This was declared to have reflected a more stable situation than has been reflected in several years. While loans totaled but \$1,611,528.20, total resources of the banks was \$2,308,673.63.

Cash on hand totaled \$605,748.93, and the grand total of capital, surplus, undivided profits, was \$465,838.18.

C. W. Goedeke Dies In Saddle

Old-Time Cowman of Trans-Pecos Country Had Many Friends

PECOES, Jan. 4.—Charlie William Goedeke, 63 known affectionately in Pecos as "Daddy Boy" Goedeke, one of the old time cowmen of the trans-Pecos country, died last week near San Marcial, N. M., of heart failure, suffered while he was riding in the corral.

Mr. Goedeke's death ended the career of one of the best known cattlemen in all West Texas. He had lived in the Pecos vicinity for nearly fifty years.

Funeral services for Mr. Goedeke will be held at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon from the First Baptist church with Rev. L. R. Milligan, old time cowboy minister, officiating. A vast concourse of friends and relatives from all over the state were expected.

The range was unfenced and the great ranches swept on in their interrupted vastness when Mr. Goedeke first set foot on what is now the town of Pecos.

That was back in 1883 when the Goedeke came to Pecos. Mr. Goedeke was born in Prussia, Germany in 1868 on the first day of the year. The family emigrated to America when he was but six weeks old.

After living at various points in the United States they came to the then little known trans-Pecos country.

Mr. Goedeke first went to work for Fry Windham, who later married his sister. They worked for the Johnson brothers, Woody and Billy. In between times he ran cattle of his own. It is stated with conviction that few men now living have bought, handled and shipped as many cattle as had Charlie Goedeke.

Thirty years ago he took a fling at business, forming a partnership with a brother to operate a general merchandise store in Pecos.

He returned to the ranching business, however, and at the time of his death owned a large ranch in northern Loving county and southern New Mexico.

He was on a ranch near San Marcial helping with the work at the time of his death.

Cattlemen from throughout West Texas and New Mexico are expected to attend his funeral.

The cowboys that he worked with and loved, ordered a special blanket of flowers to be spread across him as he is laid away. He was a kindly man, a friend to everyone, a man to whom a plea for mercy was never made in vain. His friends were counted by the thousands.

He married Ida Ruiz, who survives him.

In addition he is survived by two brothers, Robert Goedeke, formerly of Toyah; Albert Goedeke of Alamogordo, N. M.; the sister, Mrs. Windham; and three children, Mrs. Henry Yates and Mrs. Clyde Andrews and Earl Goedeke, manager of the Slash ranch.

The body was returned to Pecos from San Marcial, 402 miles away, in the Kolar ambulance which made the trip overland.

WIL ROGERS:

By WILL ROGERS

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Government Turns Back Upon Tense 1931 Without Regret; Policies Begun By Agreement

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Nationally, restless 1931 has been a time of political overturn, or at least apprehension, of constant but treading of public confidence against the ill winds of depression and unemployment.

Internationally, the year's swift-moving tides of discomfited States—ever nearer the center of affairs.

At home and abroad, it had been a year of pent-up nervous tension. In Washington, for the first time since the war period, sweeping measures of national policy have been inaugurated by the common consent of all political parties.



News OF THE Day IN Pictures



HEIRESS AND FATHER REUNITED



Associated Press Photo
Clare J. Penfield, Columbus, Ohio, chain store magnate, reunited with his daughter, Virginia, 19, at Providence, R. I. After a frantic search the girl was found in a Providence hotel room several days after she disappeared in Philadelphia en route home from a Swarthmore, Pa., girl's school. She was dazed when found and overstudied was believed by her father to have contributed to her condition.

CONNIE CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY



Associated Press Photo
The sixty-ninth birthday of Connie Mack, Philadelphia Athletics manager, brought him a white birthday cake from the boys on his team. George Earnshaw and Jimmie Dykes made the presentation at Connie's Philadelphia office.

COLD AND SNOW FAIL TO CHECK FAR EAST WAR



Associated Press Photo
Winter has overtaken the warring forces of Japan and China, but the fighting in Manchuria continues as is shown in this unusual picture of Japanese infantry machine gunners in action at Jaoyang-kiang, south of Mukden.

GANGDOM'S TOUCH LACKING AT DIAMOND FUNERAL



Associated Press Photo
Scene at a New York non-sectarian cemetery as Jack "Legs" Diamond, whose hectic career ended in Albany, N. Y., when he was shot to death, presumably by rival gangsters, was buried. The ostentatious funeral was lacking as the thin bullet-torn underworld character took his last ride. His wife and a few friends stood in the rain to witness the burial.

Sports Leader Ill



Associated Press Photo
William Muldoon, 86, member of the New York state athletic commission, is seriously ill in a New York hospital.

'Attention, Men'



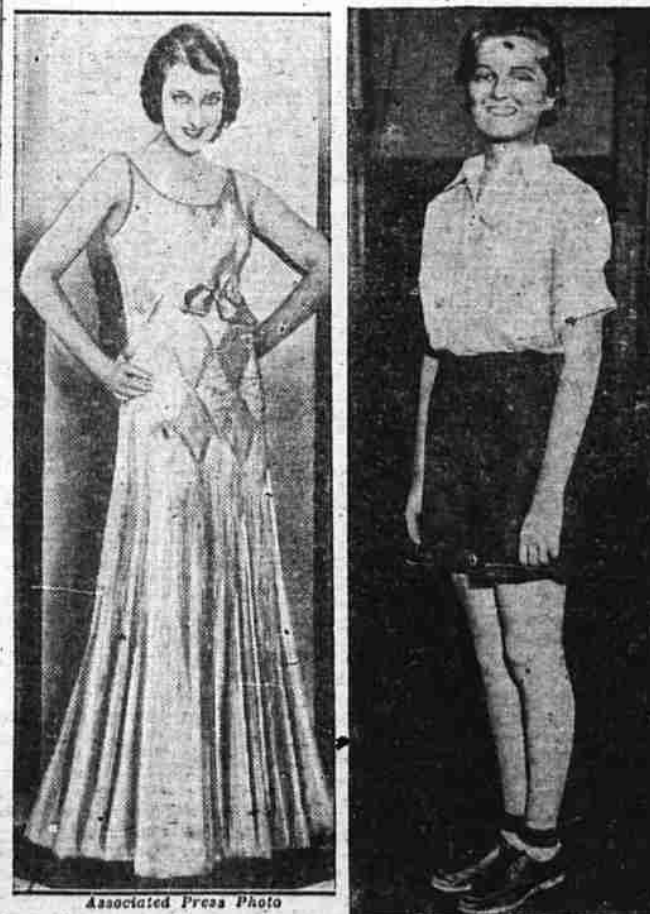
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Student officers in training at South Dakota State college, Brookings, click their heels with extra smartness when Marjorie White, honorary colonel of the R. O. T. C., marches by.

CHURCHILL LEAVES HOSPITAL



Associated Press Photo
Winston Churchill, British statesman who was injured recently when he was knocked down by a taxicab in New York City, is shown as he was taken from a hospital to rejoin his wife and daughter. The accident made it necessary for him to postpone a lecture tour that brought him to the United States.

Satin, Lace And Net - Perfect Posture



Associated Press Photo
Satin, lace and net combine to create this gown worn by Jeanette MacDonald, film actress. Lace and net are pink while triangles at the waist-line are inserts of pale blue satin.

Associated Press Photo
Barbara Wetherill, a freshman, was chosen as the girl having the most perfect bearing and carriage in a posture contest at Washington university in St. Louis.

HAPPY REUNION IN WASHINGTON



Associated Press Photo
A bright and merry Christmas at the White House was assured with the arrival from California of Peggy Ann (left) and Peter, children of Herbert Hoover, Jr. Their grandmother, Mrs. Hoover, is shown as she greeted the pair at the station upon their arrival in Washington.

Candidate



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William N. Rogers of Wakefield, the last democrat to represent New Hampshire in the house of representatives, is the democratic candidate for the congress seat left vacant by the death of Rep. Fletcher Hale.

Illini Captain



Associated Press Photo
Elbert "Babe" Kamp of Mt. Carmel, Ill., a forward, is captain of his year's basketball team at the University of Illinois.

Auditor On Trial



Associated Press Photo
Oscar Nelson, state auditor of Illinois, faced charges of misfeasance in public office at Woodstock, Ill., growing out of his alleged failure to close the Waukegan (Ill.) State bank last year while knowing it was insolvent.

Mix Smiles Again



Associated Press Photo
This is the first picture taken of Tom Mix, movie cowboy, since he became critically ill with peritonitis following an appendicitis operation. Although he is improving now, doctors say it will be two months or more before he's back in the saddle.

Will Marry Briton



Associated Press Photo
Frances Bosworth, Evanson, Ill., society girl, is engaged to marry Dr. Trevor Charles Stamp, member of the British Royal College of Surgeons, next April. Dr. Stamp is the son of Sir Josiah Stamp, leading British financier and economist.

May Coach Badgers



Associated Press Photo
Guy Sundt, assistant grid coach at the University of Wisconsin and former Badger star, has been mentioned as a likely successor to Glenn Thistlethwaite, who resigned as head coach.

KIDNAPED CHILD SLAIN



Associated Press Photo
On a pile of boards in a dingy Cincinnati, Ohio, tenement basement (above) the body of Marian McLean, 6, was found following a six-day search after she had been lured away by an unknown man. Charles Bischoff (left), shoemaker who found the girl's body in his cellar, was questioned by police.

Suicides' Mother



Associated Press Photo
Mrs. J. D. Young, 86 (above), is the mother of Harry Young and his brother Jennings, who shot themselves to death in Houston, Tex., three days after they were sought for the slaying of six possums at her farm near Springfield, Mo.

Awaits Strike



Associated Press Photo
Mrs. Ellen Brughton has succeeded her late husband as sheriff of Bell county, Kentucky. Shortly before her appointment, a miners' union called a strike for January 1 in the Bell and Marian county coal fields.

Gets Tariff Post



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Ira N. Ornburn of New Haven, Conn., head of the International Cigar Makers Union of America, was appointed as the democratic member of the tariff commission.

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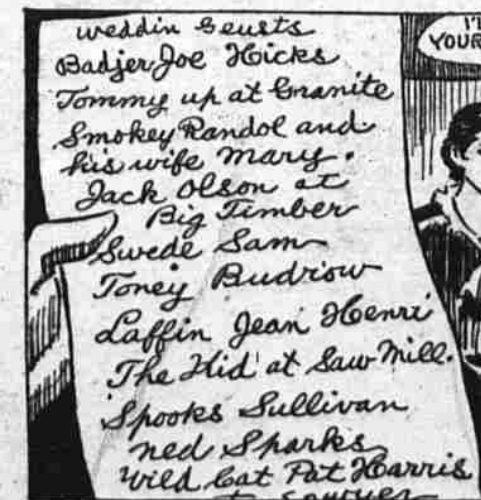
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World Effort At Running Wolf From Door of Business Occupies Attention As Year 1931 Closes

By SMITH REAVIS
(Foreign News Editor, The Associated Press)

The economic wolf still is scratching at the world's door as 1931 succeeds 1930. From Germany to Japan and from Scotland to Argentina, the bogies of unemployment, overproduction, distorted markets and kindred evils have troubled the dreams of statesmen.

World hopes for a more prosperous new year turn to projected national and international efforts.

In February at Geneva the nations will seek in an attempt for a general reduction of armaments, relief from oppressive governmental budgets. Political problems yielded largely to economic perplexities in the year just past.

U. S. Comes to Germany's Aid. Germany's crisis developed swiftly in the spring and summer until in July, President Hoover's war debt and moratorium proposal staved off what German observers declared meant complete ruin.

The solution, Chancellor Brüning said, was only temporary, and Germany asked some form of lasting relief in 1932. The young plan advisory committee started the attack on the problem.

Germany's financial problem gave rise to one of politics. "Hitlerism" gained enormously among the country's youth and menaced the Brüning government. Great Britain, faced by its most serious financial crisis in many years, scrapped the labor government of Ramsay MacDonald and replaced it with a national coalition.

Nephew Of Local Women Is Buried

BAIRD, Jan. 2.—Selman J. W. Bowler, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bowler of Abilene, and a nephew of Mrs. J. R. Copeland of Big Spring, died at a hospital here Sunday, December 27, following an illness of only a few days, days of suffering from a heart ailment.

He was taken ill Wednesday night and everything possible was done to save his life. Specialists were called from Abilene and Wichita Falls and others in Fort Worth were consulted, but all efforts failed, and at dawn on Sunday, the spirit of this bright little boy who was the idol of the home, winged its way to the beautiful beyond.

Selman with his mother and little sister had come here to spend the Christmas holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. H. A. Jones. His father was in Chicago at the time and hastened here but did not arrive until a short time after his son's death.

During Selman's short illness he made the remark that he wished he was powerful like God so he could make all people well.

Selman was conscious and talked with his loved ones at his bedside up to a short time of his death, which was very peaceful.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 28, from the Presbyterian church at Baird, Dr. E. B. Surface, his pastor of Abilene, and Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the Baird and Mabel churches, conducted the services.

Mrs. Barney Whelan of Big Spring, sang two solos, "Someday We Will Understand," and "Crossing the Bar." The choir also sang "I Want to be a Sunbeam," a favorite song of Selman's.

Palbearers were: John D. Jones, Selman J. Jones, Ed Glover, Ralph Ray, Dr. Joe McFarlane, Dwight Purdy.

Honorary palbearers were members of the "Buddy Boys" Sunday school class of the Presbyterian church and other little friends from Baird and Abilene.

Out of town friends and relatives were: Mrs. N. A. Ricker, Mrs. Barney Whelan, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Squires, Mrs. A. T. Lloyd, Mrs. J. D. Stamper, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Copeland, Mrs. Frank Wilson and son Ray of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Gwaltney and son E. T. Jr. of Sherman; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jones and son T. A. of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Purdy and daughter Thelma of Bristol, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes and son Earl, Jr. of Lewis, Mo.; Mrs. Nathan Robinson and others of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jones and daughter Shirley; Mr. Lehard Beamer of Tyler.

Many beautiful floral offerings were given by friends who loved him.

Selman was born in Baird on Jan. 11, 1922; he would have soon reached his 10th birthday. He was a bright, happy little fellow and his sudden death has left the home in sadness and the heart of his parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, with whom he was a special favorite, crushed with grief.

Dr. Julius Klein On Radio Tuesday

Attention of business men yesterday was called by the Chamber of Commerce to a radio address to be delivered at 8 p. m. today over the Columbia network by Dr. Julius Klein, assistant secretary of commerce.

His remarks will be on the subject of the most beneficial methods of using government publications dealing with various phases of business in the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Thompson and family and Mrs. Douglas, of Cosgrove, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sullivan recently.

The Living Room That Angelfood Cakes Built



Upper left, Mrs. Rogers, stepping out of the new poultry house which encouraged her hen to lay bigger and better and more eggs; upper right, Mrs. Rogers, stirring up an angelfood cake in her kitchen; lower left, displaying one of the cakes so popular in Big Spring; lower right, the newly-furnished living room.

Wanting to make over her living room in 1930 but lacking the funds, Mrs. W. C. Rogers of the Baird Home Demonstration Club in Howard county, improved her poultry house and poultry flocks instead, doubled the flock production, and sold the eggs at \$1.09 per dozen in the form of angel food cakes and chess pies.

In the spring of 1931 she took \$100 made in this way to work a miracle in the living room of the old farm place. This in brief is the story of the woman who won first in the county and third in the district in the 1931 Texas Improved Living Room Contest.

"It takes the whites of 11 eggs to make one angel food cake," says Mrs. Rogers. "I sold 100 to the people in Big Spring for \$1 apiece but have since lowered the price and sold 67 of them for 75 cents. I com-

bine the yolks with sugar, butter and cream to make chess pies that sell for 35 cents. Orders are taken on one Saturday and delivered the next, but since the Home Demonstration Club Market opened I have sold my surplus there."

In her living room she laid a new floor, made sheet rock walls which she papered, put in a new glass door, re-finished the piano and living room set, had a writing desk made at the planing mill, and bought a library table. The piano is considered by Mrs. Lucile Allgood, home demonstration, to be one of the finest examples of re-finished furniture anywhere.

Mrs. Rogers gives credit for her new poultry house, her successful salesmanship and her lively living room to the work of the home demonstration agent, which the county commissioners have discontinued.

Mrs. Vastine, the newly elected president, presided; Mrs. W. A. Miller giving the devotional. After the business session the hostesses who had prepared a most enjoyable program, which consisted of a duet by Mrs. Arthur Pickle and Mrs. Joe Faucett, Mrs. Chas. accompanying; reading by Miss Janet Pickle, and talk by Mrs. Chas. Morris who is retiring president; Mrs. W. J. Riggs, who presented her with a lovely gift from the class.

The hostesses, Mesdames Russell Manlon, Ben Lovelace, A. D. Franklin, and Jack Hodges served delectable refreshments to about fifty guests.

RURAL WOMEN PROTEST DISMISSAL OF AGENT

Members of the Howard County Home Demonstration council in a meeting at the county court house Saturday afternoon, issued a protest of the action of the commissioners' court in abolishing the office of county home demonstration agent.

The court also abolished the offices of county farm demonstration agent and county health nurse, all effective January 1.

Women from the Elbow, Fairview, R. Bar, Overton, Vealmoor and Luther communities were present. The statements follow: Mrs. C. E. Asbury, Elbow: "This is the first time the county has ever done to help rural people improve their home life and bring the communities together socially. Our club members all living in a radius of four miles had to be introduced to each other when the club was organized. Now their cooperation can not be excelled."

Mrs. M. F. Turner of Overton club: "Our club values home demonstration work too highly to wish to dispense with it. We feel that no more than fair that we have the privilege enjoyed by other counties with less taxable property."

Mrs. Earl Phillips, Fairview, said: "Food preservation has appealed to the Fairview club more than any other phase of the work. The pressure cookers in our community have been kept busy every day during the canning season. Our wo-

men are having a greater variety of food than ever before."

Mrs. W. C. Rogers, R. Bar: "I can't begin to estimate the value club work has been to our family, as well as the entire community. I was sitting down awaiting a big cotton crop with a high price for it from that direction, crumbled and under the supervision of the home demonstration agent I was brought to realize that by putting forth an effort I could improve my home. After improving my kitchen living room and bed room I am better off financially than before, as I have a steady market for all I produce on the farm."

Mrs. Asbury, chairman of the council and who issued the call for the meeting of Saturday, and Mrs. Wylie Davis, secretary, signed the following concluding remarks to the series of individual statements: "In conclusion, we feel that if neighboring counties, some of them virtually bankrupt and some almost entirely without banks due to conditions, and also with less taxable property, can keep agents that it is possible for Howard county funds to be appropriated in such a way that there will be some left for the salaries of the three agents who have been cut off. We feel it false economy to dispense of this work. County Home Demonstration Council."

Mrs. Bob Asbury, chairman, Mrs. Wylie Davis, secretary.

Possession of Land In Martin County Section Bought From State At \$2 Per Acre Issue In Earliest Suit On File Here

EARLIEST CIVIL action, the record of which is on file in the office of the district clerk of Howard county, is a land suit filed in Martin county, transferred to Midland county on a change of venue, both counties having been attached to Howard county for judicial purposes.

The suit, filed November 23, 1883, was for trespass to try title and for damages. It affected a section of land in "Howard Land League," on which considerable improvements had been made by the man living on it.

However, suit No. 1 for Howard county proper was an action for attachment of property in Denton by a man in the lumber business in Big Spring. The plaintiff was a Denton man, who proved a claim of \$900, and bought in the Denton property of the defendant for \$200.

Andy Walker, a familiar signature appears on papers in the Martin county land suit. It is that of Andrew Walker, then and for many years afterward county and district clerk, who is in the abstract business at this time.

The land was styled by A. B. Humphrey vs. Frank Shrick and Vanizan Shrick. The original defendants, it was brought out, made no claim of ownership to the section of land and Bagthold Olsen-Rountree, district clerk, Midland county; A. C. Walker, district clerk Howard county; Theo. Ray, sheriff; John Cutler, N. Garrett, A. D. Garrett and T. J. Mullins, witnesses to the fact that a fair trial could not be had in Martin county; Daily Lester, justice of the peace, Martin county.

The charge to the jury was delivered September 5, 1887, nearly two years after the suit was filed.

Among the names of court officials, attorneys and friends appearing on the papers are those of S. H. Cowan and Covarr and Fisher of Sweetwater, plaintiffs counsel; J. C. Matthews and Posey and Cowan of Sweetwater, for the plaintiff; A. B. Rountree, district clerk, Midland county; A. C. Walker, district clerk Howard county; Theo. Ray, sheriff; John Cutler, N. Garrett, A. D. Garrett and T. J. Mullins, witnesses to the fact that a fair trial could not be had in Martin county; Daily Lester, justice of the peace, Martin county.

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One of those wholesome old-time neighborhood gatherings that the average community nowadays has about lost sight of was held at high school gym Friday evening when Superintendent and Mrs. W. C. Blankenship played host and hostess to members of the faculty, the senior class and a number of friends of the school.

The Blankenships were ably assisted by Misses Clara Cox and Kitty Wingo and the high school orchestra, with T. M. Wiley as leader.

With the crowd sitting around the edges of the gym floor a number of exciting and amusing games were played, with various faculty members joining in the fun.

Then the guests moved their chairs facing the stage and a brief program was given after the serving of sandwiches, cookies and hot punch.

Miss Cox acted as master of ceremonies. Mr. Blankenship presided, Dr. E. O. Ellington, president of the school board, drew many a laugh with jokes in which he accused a number of young women of the faculty of planning matrimony without giving the board the "required six months notice," and accused Mr. Blankenship of giving the party to keep the teachers and the seniors from the many dances being held in the city during the night.

Miss Elma Collins was heard in a humorous impersonation of an elderly lady telling of the deaths of her various husbands in a room, and then welcoming a male visitor to sleep there, as an "honor."

Mrs. Lee Weathers kept the gathering in laughter with an impersonation of a school teacher of advanced years and single state, who related her various "experiences of the heart."

The program ended just as the fire horn in the main corridor of the building signaled that 1931 had ended and 1932 had arrived.

Ten Couples Celebrate New Year At Dinner-Dance

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Piner entertained several couples of friends on New Year's Eve with a bridge and cake.

The New Year was ushered in to the accompaniment of delicious sandwiches, cake and coffee.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Peyer, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. House, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Service, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Shina Phillips.

Mrs. W. D. Hall Elected President of Ladies' Group

The ladies of the Missionary Council of the Assembly of God announced the following officers in charge for the coming year, to have meetings of their Thursday afternoon meetings.

The president will be Mrs. W. D. Hall, vice president, Mrs. Daisy Smith secretary, Mrs. Anna Bell Langston; treasurer, Mrs. Oma Davis, sick committee, Mrs. D. W. Stutes, L. A. Davidson, E. C. Harlan.

The women extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend their meetings.

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Dean Elevated To Succeed Baxter At Special Board Session

ABILENE, Jan. 1.—James F. Cox, dean for eight years and member of the faculty eleven years, yesterday was named president of Abilene Christian college to succeed Batsell Baxter, who has resigned to go to David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tennessee, in June.

Choice of a dean to succeed Cox was left by the trustees to the president-elect and members of the board residing here.

Cox, formerly dean and president of the first faculty of A. C. C. when the school was opened as Childers Classical Institute in 1906 and a few years later served one session as president. He returned as professor of education in 1920 after years in other schools. As a youth at the University of Texas he was a track star. He was reared at Lingleville, Erath county and is a native of Illinois.

Twenty-one of the 35 members of the board of trustees attended to day's special meeting. These included the ten trustees residing here.

Mrs. Mason Is Hostess For Clever Party

Mrs. Jimmie Mason entertained the members of the Conganilla Bridge Club with a clever black and white New Year's party Thursday afternoon.

Black and white checked covers were used on the table, with small New Year's babies on the table and red and white on the floor.

For the first round at each table the guests drew New Year's resolutions which governed their playing and upset it in various hilarious ways.

Mrs. Durcan made high score. Refreshments were served on black plates containing as favors small baskets shaped to resemble lanterns.

Mrs. W. A. Gilmer and Mrs. O. R. Bolinger were the guests. The members attending were Mesdames C. Carter, M. A. Cook, W. H. Remick, Hugh Duncan, T. E. Johnson, Raymond Winn.

Mrs. Remele will be the next hostess.

Mrs. Jorman Is Honored

Recent Bride Given Show-er With Miss Land As Hostess

Honoring Mrs. William Jorman of Colorado, who was until her recent marriage Miss Cora McCorkle; Miss Lorene Land, her former room mate here, gave a shower Thursday afternoon.

Beautiful presents were received by the charming bride, and delightful refreshments were served the following: Mesdames Ollie Tate, Ora Barker, Lillian Vauthen, Beverly Franklin, Mrs. P. N. Allen, Mesdames Viola Gray and Lella Lathem, unable to be present, sent remembrances to Mrs. Jorman.

Unitization Of Hobbs Oil Field Believed Nearer

Following a three day conference of petroleum engineers in Dallas reports in oil circles yesterday indicated considerable progress was made toward a plan for unit operation of the Hobbs, New Mexico oil field.

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Maurine Bethell Gives Lovely Dinner-Dance

Mrs. E. B. Bethell celebrated New Year's night with a dinner-dance for the friends of her daughter, Maurine, in her home at 504 Douglas.

Mrs. Harry Billington helped. Mrs. Bethell served the three course supper which consisted of all the accepted holiday foods.

The reception room was decorated with holiday colors, mistletoe and holly. The living room was illuminated by a star-lit Christmas tree. The dining room was lighted by soft candle light. The center piece of the table was a miniature star-covered Christmas tree. On one end of the table was a representation of the New Year, 1932, a small baby doll with a "32 badge and black silk top hat. On the other end was a representation of Father Time.

The guests found their places at the table by first finding their name cards concealed about the living room. From there, thin red cards led to tiny scroll-favors at their respective places, on which was written a brief prophecy of some guest. Each one present read the contents of their scroll as W. L. Stutes.

After dinner diversion was dancing. Those present at this entertainment were the following: Esther Early, Ruth Early, Maurine Bethell, Larry Whitehead, Hardee Cross and Howard Kyle.

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