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POLICE THWART PLOT TO LOOT LONDON STORES

Unemployed Plan Demonstration Against Christmas Shopping Extravagance.

By United Press.
LONDON, Dec. 24.—A red plot to loot London stores during the Christmas shopping season in the guise of an unemployed parade, was believed thwarted by the police today.

Five hundred unemployed from the west side had planned to march to Oxford circus, ostensibly to demonstrate against Christmas shopping extravagance, but in reality to loot the stores. Many of the men were armed, it was declared. At the same time, 2,000 others from the east side were to commence looting at the Strand and work westward until the two parties met, according to the police diagnosis of the plot.

Police frustrated the plot by placing 100 mounted officers at points along the line of march and shopkeepers were warned to be prepared. Several hundred unemployed men marched to Hyde park, under close watch by the police but there was no demonstration.

MEXICO DENIES SOVIET WAS FORMED AT PUEBLA

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—A report circulated in the United States that a Soviet republic has been established in the city of Puebla was denied last night by Alberto J. Pani, secretary of foreign relations. It was explained that there had been trouble at the Mayorango hacienda in the Apixco district of the state of Puebla, where a factory had reduced its force, leaving 400 persons without work. Several families were ejected from the houses furnished by the factory.

Agitators from Puebla circulated among the unemployed, hoisting a red flag and tried to induce the workers to seize the factory. Gen. Gustavo Elisondo, military commander of the state of Puebla, sent troops to protect the plant and later General Jose Sanchez, governor of Puebla, convinced the unemployed of the wisdom of changing their attitude.

The Puebla Federation of Labor has given out a statement saying that the incident has been settled.

FORT WORTH 'ALL-STAR' GAME IS POSTPONED

By Associated Press.
FORT WORTH, Dec. 24.—The Dec. 31 football game which was scheduled here between Centre college of Danville, Ky., and an all-star team, picked from former gridiron heroes has been postponed on account of the game scheduled between Centre and A. & M. in Dallas Jan. 2.

Centre college had a contract with the A. & M. officials stipulating that no Centre player should play in a game in Texas prior to the Jan. 2 game. This eliminated "Bo" McMillin, who was to be the main attraction, from the Fort Worth game.

OHIO RIVER FLOOD

By United Press.
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 24.—The Ohio river is at flood stage, in many cases inundating homes and farms along the banks and threatening hundreds of families, it is reported from Cincinnati and other Southern Ohio towns.

The greatest damage appears to have resulted at Cincinnati, where the river has risen nineteen feet since Friday. Rains falling practically continually since Friday in Southern and Southeastern Ohio, are the cause.

At Cummingsville the high water entered the home of Tarfield Helman and stole Christmas joy from his four children. Toys, candy, fruit and a Christmas tree which had been hidden in the cellar were washed away.

BRIAND'S FOES ATTACK REPARATIONS POLICIES

By United Press.
PARIS, Dec. 24.—Political opponents of Premier Briand launched a general attack on him today in the chamber of deputies. Dr. Klotz, former cabinet member, demanded that the chamber debate the reparations situation before the Cannes conference. Briand refused and requested a vote of confidence. Briand's opponents also based their attack upon the failure of the Industrial Bank of China.

COLD AT AMARILLO.

By Associated Press.
AMARILLO, Dec. 24.—The temperature dropped to 8 degrees above zero last night, the coldest weather of the winter.

RIGHT IN STYLE

DES MOINES, Iowa., Dec. 24.—Two prominent Des Moines business men were joint owners of a big turkey. Too tender-hearted to behead the bird, they chloroformed it, plucked its feathers and tucked it in the ice box.

On their return, they found Mr. Turk, in complete nudity, strutting the parlor floor.

RED SUICIDE'S WIDOW SUES U. S. FOR \$100,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The \$100,000 damage suit brought against government agents by the widow of Andra Salsedo, anarchist, who jumped out of a fourteenth-story window while under detention at department of justice headquarters here, may be carried to the supreme court of the United States.

This was indicated by the widow's counsel after Federal Judge Julius M. Mayer, today filed an opinion dissenting from his colleagues in the United States circuit court of appeals, who yesterday upheld dismissal of the suit on the ground that no cause for action existed.

Referring to charges in the complaint that the defendants—former Attorney-General Mitchell Palmer, William J. Flynn and two other department officials—caused Salsedo's death by inciting him to suicide through rough treatment, Judge Mayer said:

"It is said that the suicide was not the natural and probable consequence of the wrongful acts and not one which defendants ought to have foreseen in the light of attending circumstances. Why not?"

"If a man is confined against his will for more than two months and continuously and grievously threatened with death, can it be said, as matter of law, that the wrongdoer should not have foreseen that the infliction of such wrongs continuously over a period of time might naturally and probably lead to loss of mind and that self destruction might follow?"

ECONOMY PROGRAM BLOCKS MANEUVERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The joint maneuvers of Atlantic and Pacific fleets in the Pacific for early in the new year probably will be abandoned this year as a matter of economy, it was stated at the navy department today.

The Atlantic fleet starts on Jan. 3 for its southern cruise and winter maneuvers at Guantanamo bay, but plans for the Pacific fleet movement and joint maneuvers have not been finally settled.

CHARLES ROWE RETURNS FROM SOUTH AMERICA

Charles Rowe, former drilling contractor of this section who for the last year or more has been operating in South America, is in Ranger visiting at the home of Mrs. Margaret Lafay for the holidays.

STORM WARNINGS ORDERED ON ENTIRE TEXAS COAST

By Associated Press.
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Storm warnings which the New Orleans weather bureau last night ordered to be hung out on the Texas coast as far westward as Matagorda, have been ordered extended to Brownsville.

ARDMOREITE REFUSES TO ANSWER WHEN QUIZZED ABOUT KLAN ACTS

By United Press.
ARDMORE, Dec. 24.—Investigation of the Ku Klux Klan in Ardmore, alleged center of "old West" lawlessness in Carter county, was started today by Attorney General Prince Freeling.

Freeling's investigation was the result of a refusal of Fred Bourland, merchant and alleged klansman, to answer questions pertaining to the Klan while on the stand late yesterday during the inquiry into the Wilson triple murder. The attorney general secured continuance of the inquiry until Tuesday, to give him time to make the investigation.

Bourland's refusal to testify followed the testimony of A. L. Brittain, lodge room custodian, that two men left the Ku Klux property room with two bundles on the night of the murder and that Bourland held the key to an alleged Ku Klux Klan

WEALTHY MEN KIDNAPPED AS CRIME RAGES

East in Grip of Violence Wave; Holdups, Gun Battles and Kidnapping Reported.

By United Press.
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—A night of Christmas crime, including a revolver duel in the heart of Chicago's business district at the corner of State and Madison streets and a \$25,000 holdup, and culminating in two bold kidnappings of wealthy men, was staged here last night.

Arthur Bath, wealthy inventor and manufacturer of Des Moines, Iowa, visiting relatives here, was kidnapped, robbed and left chained to his automobile on a bleak, windswept prairie on the outskirts of the city. When found and taken to a hospital he regained consciousness long enough to reveal his identity and then lapsed back into coma. His condition is critical.

John A. McRae, a Detroit manufacturer, his wife, and John G. Allen, McRae's representative in Chicago, were the known victims of a second kidnapping. A third man not found today was another victim with the McRae party.

TWO KILLED IN NEW YORK.

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A Christmas crime wave raged here last night, during which two men were killed in gun battles between policemen, bandits and victims.

HAMON OFFICE MAN DIES HERE IN HOSPITAL

L. T. Williams, employed here in the general offices of the Hamon lines, died last night in a local hospital. Mr. Williams came to Ranger about three months ago and had apartments in the Reavis building.

He is survived by his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gomer S. Williams of Cisco, and two brothers, Stuart Williams of Ballinger and John D. Williams of Oklahoma City. The body was taken to the undertaking parlors of the Milford company and will be sent to Cisco tonight. Funeral services will be held there Monday.

GRAIN GAMBLING LAW IS EFFECTIVE TODAY

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The federal anti-grain gambling act became effective today. The law places a prohibitive tax on paper transactions which do not contemplate the actual exchange of grain. It is aimed primarily at gambling in futures.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace whose department will enforce the law, said that all affected by the act, including the Chicago board of trade are now abiding by the provisions of the act.

STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

By United Press.
BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The United States shipping board steamer Mount Evans is in distress 600 miles east of Boston, it was reported in a wireless message picked up here today. The vessel is without fuel oil, the radio said. The Charleston navy yard holds the belief that the vessel has already been taken in tow but no word to that effect has been received.

The Mount Evans is bound from Antwerp to New York with a valuable cargo. The crew is composed of fifty officers and men.

TREATY REMOVES ANY CHANCE OF CONFLICT

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—Any chance of armed conflict in the Pacific has been removed by the Washington conference on limitation of armament, Premier Takahashi of Japan, told the United Press in an exclusive interview today.

"I see no more reason for doubt that the limitation of armament conference has removed effectively all possible danger of conflict in the Pacific," the premier said. "I welcome the unreserved manner of dealing which has characterized the negotiations as well as the spirit of sacrifice which has animated the negotiations, in which Japan has not lagged."

BIG LINERS RACE WITH SANTA CLAUS

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Ocean liners and Santa Claus today were racing against time. Big passenger vessels were straining themselves to the limit to land their voyage in time for them to reach their inland homes before Kris Kringle slides down the chimney.

Yesterday four ships, the Adriatic, the Frederick VIII, American Legion and Cedric, came plowing through the fog. The liners were held somewhat in check by the murk, for there were limits of caution beyond which their masters dared not go.

MACHINE GUN'S RATTLE GREET'S STRIKE TROOPS

NEWPORT, Ky., Dec. 24.—State troops sent to quell disturbances arising out of the strike of steel workers took charge of the situation today.

Four companies of guardsmen arrived in the city yesterday.

In issuing the orders at Frankfort last night for entrainment of the troops, Governor Morrow stated that he had been informed that a state of lawlessness had existed here for ten days. Homes of citizens have been fired into and the property of the Newport Mill company had been fired upon nightly, he said. According to his information, those in charge of the mill have procured machine guns. Persons on the outside of the mill are heavily armed and as a result, the lives of citizens are threatened.

The fact that this condition has existed for more than ten days is evidence that the situation is beyond the control of the local authorities and at any moment a battle may be feared, the governor said.

The troops are commanded by Col. Danheart, an overseas veteran. As the troops were leaving the train a volley of shots were fired near the mill and a few minutes later there was the rat-tat-tat of a machine gun.

GOVERNOR WILL GRANT TWENTY XMAS PARDONS

By United Press.

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Governor Neff will grant pardons to twenty convicts effective Christmas day. The governor at noon had not completed the list of those who will receive executive clemency, but he announced it would be extended to men who are "friendless and forgotten" and whose prison records do not show a single mark of demerit. The governor said he would not make public the names of the fortunate convicts until he had completed all details.

BURGLARS ROB THREE WEATHERFORD STORES

WEATHERFORD, Dec. 24.—Burglars entered the W. H. Bowler & Son's department store here, robbed two cash registers of \$95 in change and stole a quantity of silk shirts, suits of clothes and other articles of value. The loss is several hundred dollars.

A large plate glass was removed from the front door to gain entrance. The sporting goods store of W. E. Richards was entered in the same manner and a number of valuable articles taken.

A small shoe shop was broken into, from which was stolen small change and tools, with which the other stores were opened.

WARD COUNTY SHERIFF DOESN'T FIND GUNMAN

By Associated Press.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 24.—Sheriff Priest of Ward county, who has been pursuing a fugitive suspected of being Tommy O'Connor, escaped Chicago gunman, across the plains of West Texas, thus far has been unable to locate the man. When last seen the fugitive was on a ranch in Ward county, where he obtained food. From there he continued in the general direction of Mexico.

The sheriff did not take up the chase until Thursday night. The ranchman at whose house he called has identified the man as O'Connor after looking at several photographs.

NEWBERRY MAY YET LOSE SEAT IN U. S. SENATE

Republican Backers Request That He Make Defense of Charges.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Unexpected developments, revealed for the first time today, have definitely placed in jeopardy the senate seat of Truman H. Newberry of Michigan.

Six republican senate votes which Newberry backers have claimed have served notice on Senator Curtis that they will vote to unseat Newberry unless he arises in the senate and makes a defense of the expenditure of money in his campaign.

One Vote Needed.
Should Newberry fail to speak in his own behalf, as he has persistently refused to do, the addition of six Republicans of the anti-Newberry ranks would make his unseating probable when the vote is taken next month. Thirty-five of the thirty-six Democrats are regarded as certain to vote against him and seven Republicans also are said to oppose the Michigan senator. Thus if Newberry loses six more republican votes by his "campaign of silence," his opponents will have a total of forty-eight votes, or half the total and just one less than a majority.

It is believed some of the remaining forty-eight senators would dodge a roll call.

CHURCHES WILL CLOSE SERVICES EARLY SUNDAY

Attend some church tomorrow, is the injunction of Rev. A. N. Stubblebine to all those who remain in Ranger for the holidays.

At least two of the Ranger churches—the Presbyterian and the Christian—have announced that the morning services will be closed early, in order that all may have time for preparing Christmas dinner. The Christian services, it was announced yesterday, will close at 11:15 a. m., while Rev. Mr. Stubblebine said this morning that he would dismiss his congregation at 11:30. Sunday school will be at 10 o'clock as usual, but the church services will begin at 10:45 instead of 11.

Rev. Mr. Stubblebine's morning subject will be "Some Christmas Pictures" and his evening subject, "Is the Angels' Song, 'Peace on Earth, Possible in Ranger?" In addition to the sermon, the Sunday school will give some Christmas numbers.

There will be special music both morning and evening including a duet by Mrs. Maddocks and Miss Schmuck and Solos by Mrs. McCoy. Mrs. McCoy has just received an especially beautiful Christmas solo, "Jesus of Nazareth" (Gounod), which will be rendered at the morning hour.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE DECLINES KLAN'S GIFTS

WACO, Dec. 24.—On Wednesday of this week two packages, containing fifty boys' caps, were delivered at the Methodist Orphanage, with cards bearing the season's greetings and inscription, "Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Texas, Lodge No. 37." The gift has been declined by members of the local board of control of the orphanage. In this connection the following statement has been issued:

"While the Methodist home gladly receives gifts from individuals, regardless of their affiliations with organizations which are actuated by a worthy desire to help orphans, the board of local control thinks it unwise to accept a gift from the Ku Klux Klan, whose membership, objects and purposes are veiled in mystery and concerning which there is a widely diversity of opinion."

SPAIN ASKED TO RELEASE AMERICAN VOLUNTEERS

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Decision of the Spanish government to release Americans serving in its foreign legion as announced in cable dispatches from Madrid, followed representations by the state department in behalf of American youths who had enlisted to fight the Moors, it was learned today.

EGYPTIANS RIOT.

By Associated Press.
CAIRO, Dec. 24.—Disturbances in connection with the Egyptian Nationalist movement broke out today in Gizeh, a suburb, where a party of students raised government buildings. Troops were rushed to Gizeh and the students were dejected. Early reports placed the losses at five killed and twenty wounded.

No Paper Monday

In accordance with its custom, the Times will not be issued Monday—the official Christmas day. This is the Times' third Christmas in its two and a half years of life and on that day it takes its annual vacation, in order that all its employes may enjoy the holiday occasion to the utmost. Sunday morning's paper will be issued as usual.

PRE-CHRISTMAS JOY JAG ENDS IN DEATH AND JAIL

By United Press.

HOUSTON, Dec. 24.—Failing in an attempt to brand the death of W. S. Thomas, railroad switchman, as a suicide, Mrs. Thomas S. Mea admitted the killing in an alleged written confession here today, according to police reports.

Both live at the same house and last night they had been drinking whisky, Mrs. Mea is alleged to have confessed. A fight between them started and she shot Thomas, according to the alleged confession.

This morning police were called by Mrs. Mea to investigate a "suicide," according to the former. The police were told that Thomas had shot himself last night but his body was found only this morning.

"I see you are badly scratched about the face and body," a policeman said.

"Yes, I did it," she is alleged to have confessed suddenly. She then signed a written statement of the affair.

NO MORE SCRIP ISSUED UNTIL AFTER HOLIDAYS

Owing to the fact that the Farmers & Merchants bank has been sealed by the state liquidating agent for the holidays, the Retail Merchants' association cannot issue any more scrip until after the bank is unsealed on Jan. 30, it was announced this morning.

Applications for scrip, however, will be received at the association's office in the Guaranty bank building during the absence of the liquidating agent and scrip will be issued as soon as the bank is unsealed.

TWINS NO NOVELTY, BUT WELCOME, SAYS FATHER

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 24.—Santa Claus and the stork framed up on Louis Rubson, and it's going to be a merry Christmas around the Rubson fireside.

The stork brought twins. The twins were "welcome but no novelty," he said.

"We've already got a set of triplets, a set of twin daughters, besides two individuals."

TWO STILLS RAIDED BY BRECKENRIDGE SHERIFF

BRECKENRIDGE, Dec. 24.—Two stills were captured by county officers led by Sheriff L. D. Head and one arrest was made.

The first outfit was found in the brush four miles east of Ivan. Three gallons of liquor were taken with the still, which was made of copper and had a capacity of sixty gallons. A sheet iron still and a gallon of "corn liquor" were taken in the second raid.

A man who was with the outfit fled at the approach of the officers and escaped.

JESS HASSELL CASE TO BE TRIED JAN. 5

DALLAS, Dec. 24.—The cases against Jess Hassell, part owner of the Dallas baseball club, charging aggravated assault in connection with an automobile accident in Oak Cliff some time ago, were passed Friday until Jan. 5.

Hassell was recently restrained by a court order from driving an automobile in Dallas county. He came to the court house today in a new car, but his wife was doing the driving.

THE WEATHER.

West Texas—Saturday night, fair; colder in southeast portion, with a moderate cold wave extending to the south portion. Sunday, fair; rising temperatures.

BURNED GIRL IS BETTER; LIFE MAY BE SAVED

Two Smaller Children Were Knocked Down by Explosion, but Not Injured.

The condition of Leota Kindle, 13-year-old daughter of Mrs. M. A. Byrns, who was probably fatally burned Friday night following the explosion of a lamp at the family's new dwelling on the Strawn road was reported to be slightly improved at 1 o'clock today. Some faint hope of her recovery is held by Ranger General hospital authorities. The child's entire body is said to have been seriously burned when her clothing was drenched with the flaming oil from the lamp.

A young brother and sister who were with the little girl at the time of the accident were unharmed. The force of the explosion, however, knocked the boy from his feet and prevented either of the two smaller children from assisting their sister in ridding herself of her burning clothing.

Face Badly Burned.
Leota's face and hair were burned by the flames when she dashed into the yard and started pulling the burning clothing over her head in removing it. She was assisted by A. Williams and other men from a nearby garage, who were attracted by her screams.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrns, who had left the children at the Strawn road dwelling while they went back to their old home for a second load of household furnishings, did not learn of the accident until Friday morning. They returned to the house where the children had been left but on not finding them, supposed that they had gone to spend the night with friends.

STRAWN BOY IS ABLE TO LEAVE HOSPITAL

George Brown, who narrowly escaped serious injury Thursday night in falling from a culvert when running along the side of a T. & P. train, was released from the Clinical hospital Friday afternoon.

Brown, who resides in Strawn, was attempting to board a freight train to return home when the accident occurred. At first it was thought that his injuries were serious, but it was later found that they consisted of cuts and bruises.

YOUNGSTER WHO LOST FINGERS IS RECOVERING

Claude Andrews, 6, who lost two fingers and a thumb in addition to injuring his eye, by the explosion of a dynamite cap with which he and another boy were playing yesterday morning, was in a much improved condition today, attendants at the Clinical hospital stated.

J. B. Redwine Jr., 7, who was slightly injured about the face and body, was able to be taken to his home on Hunt street yesterday.

VOLIVA'S LATEST UKASE ABOLISHES SANTA CLAUS

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Children of Zion, Ill., home of Wilbur Glenn Voliva's Catholic Apostolic church, will sleep peacefully Saturday night with no thought of awakening to hear reindeer on the roof or Santa Claus coming down the chimney.

For Voliva has issued a decree abolishing Santa Claus. The Kris Kringle has gone the way—in Zion—of the round world and the law of gravitation. Voliva says they don't exist.

Zion children, however, will not lack Christmas toys. The same decree which consigned the patron saint of Christmas to the limbo of forgotten things also ordered that every child receive appropriate gifts.

Only they are to be told the gifts are sent down from "above" to be distributed by fathers and mothers.

EAST TEXAS CONSTABLE SHOT IN RAID ON STILL

CANTON, Texas, Dec. 24.—Constable John E. Covert was shot and seriously wounded while raiding a whisky still in company with officers near Pine Bluff, in the eastern part of Van Zandt county. One of his arms was nearly severed by a charge of buckshot fired at close range. He was taken to a hospital in Dallas in the hope that his arm can be saved.

Covert was with Sheriff Osborne and Constable Clay Hollifield. The raid was conducted shortly before daylight.

After the shooting one man was arrested and charged with operating a still, but his companion escaped.

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DEBS. President Harding, in the release of Eugene V. Debs, would seem to have acted with moderation and common sense.

There of course are the bitter enders, who will utter some cuss words at the idea of one they conceive as a traitor being shown any mercy whatever.

Debs has sinned, but he has been punished; punished as President Harding says, in accordance with the acts he committed.

That is one view. Others will always hold that Debs has been a martyr to the principles of free speech. He has had to lie in prison where more supine citizens have had the privilege of going to war and battling with the high cost of living.

Our own opinion is that Debs got what he was entitled to, and so far as untempered justice is concerned, could well have served out his sentence.

But then the war is over, and mercy is after all the predominating characteristic of American justice.

No, Clarissa, helium is not a patent medicine, although it sounds strangely reminiscent of the name of some of the cure-alls.

When a thing is "unspeakable" to Senator Reed he proceeds to let loose a flood of language.

RED CROSS SHOP CAN USE BABY CLOTHING

Donations of baby clothes are badly needed at the Red Cross shop, Mrs. William Clegg stated this morning, and urges that families whose babies had outgrown their clothing or discarded them, notify the shop.

A large number of calls for baby clothing have been received in the last few days, Mrs. Clegg explained, indicating the arrival and expected arrival of young visitors in numerous homes of the city.

Funds derived from the sale of clothing and other articles are devoted to Red Cross activities here.

SANTA CLAUS WELCOMED AT TABERNACLE TREE

About 250 people attended the Christmas tree program given last night at the Christian tabernacle by the Sunday school pupils.

Rev. Huff will remain over with friends here for a few days and will assist in the services at the tabernacle tomorrow.

BOILER EXPLOSION AT ORANGE INJURES TWO

ORANGE, Texas, Dec. 24.—The blowing up of a forty-five horsepower boiler on the Gulf Production company's Hagar-Moore lease in the Orange field resulted in a fractured leg and three broken ribs for John Ryan, and the breaking of the left hand for E. A. Duchamp, besides destruction to property.

The explosion of the boiler was heard distinctly here, six and a half miles from the oil field. Details of the happenings are remarkable in that no lives were lost. The explosion tore the massive boiler in half, both parts going into the air about 100 feet.

The rear end of a warehouse belonging to the Gulf Production company was caved in by the blast. The men who were injured were working about 200 feet from the exploding boiler, and were struck by flying fragments.

MID-KANSAS ADKINS WELL PRODUCING 600 BARRELS

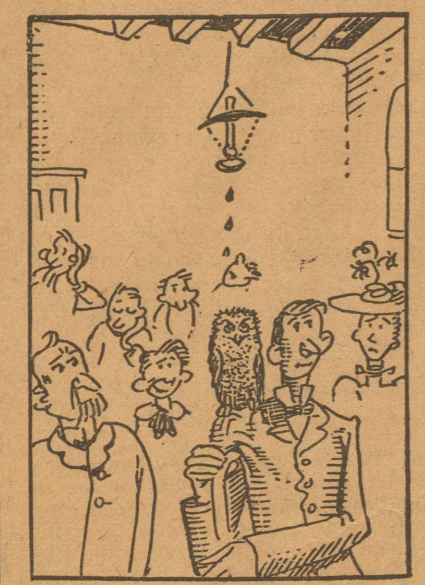
BRECKENRIDGE, Texas, Dec. 24.—The Mid-Kansas Oil & Gas company's A. A. Adkins well No. 3, account one, sixteen miles northeast of here, is making 600 barrels from a total depth of 3,333 feet, a jump of 500 barrels after being drilled thirteen feet deeper.

PITY THE LANDLORD.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Paris landlords say they are the most abused persons in the world. They agreed to this unanimously at a mass meeting held recently.

They reported they were unable to collect rents from more than 20,000 tenants or to evict these unprofitable occupants. All this is the fault of recent legislation, say the landlords, giving tenants who were immune from payment of rent during the war the right to find other quarters before vacating.

DOG HILL PARAGRAPHS



Sile Kildew took his pet screech owl to preaching with him in the Cal. Ribs neighborhood last second Sunday. The owl acted all right, and felt at home as it used to roost in the church.

Sile Kildew, who wished all summer for autumn to come, has now set in to wish for a deep snow, as he is aiming to begin wishing on the first of the year for spring.

If there is much cloudy weather this winter, the Rye Straw store-keeper is either going to have to light a lamp or wash the windows.

STARTED TO SCHOOL AT 9, NOW PRODIGY



Although she has attended school but six and a half years and did not start her studies until she was nine years old, Miss Eleanor Ransom, of Boston, is among the "honor group" in the freshman class at Vassar college.

FEDERAL REVENUE BUREAU TELLS HOW TO FIGURE YOUR INCOME TAX

A statement recently issued by the bureau of internal revenue explains the benefits to the average taxpayer of the new revenue legislation and gives the exemptions and deductions under the revenue act of 1921.

The bureau announces that a series of articles is to be prepared telling the taxpayer how to make out his tax return for 1921. The most important changes affecting men of moderate means are in the exemptions, the statement says. Under the act of 1921 a married man with a net income of \$5,000 or less is entitled to an exemption of \$2,500.

The period for filing returns, on the calendar year basis is from Jan. 1 to March 15, 1922. On the fiscal year basis the return must be filed on or before the fifteenth day of the third month following the close of the fiscal year.

The tax rate of 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income above the exemptions and 8 per cent on the remaining net income is unchanged. This applies to citizens and residents of the United States.

The law provides that the reduction of personal exemption from \$2,500 to \$2,000 shall not operate to increase the tax, which would be payable if the exemption were \$2,500, by more than the net income in excess of \$5,000.

The surtax remains unchanged for 1921. On net incomes between \$5,000 and \$6,000 it is 1 per cent, rising to 65 per cent on incomes exceeding \$1,000,000.

Returns are required of every person whose net income for 1921 was \$1,000 or more, every married person not living with husband or wife whose net income was \$1,000 or more, and every married person living with husband or wife whose net income was \$2,000 or more.

NEEDS MOTHER'S CONSENT BEFORE WIDOW CAN WED. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Well well, well! A widow had to have the consent of her mother before she could marry the second time.

HEALY'S CLOSES DOORS. VICTIM OF PROHIBITION. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Healy's, for years one of the best known restaurants in New York, soon is to be closed, a victim of prohibition.

WORLD CHAMPION CORN GROWER HAS NEVER SEEN A PERFECT EAR; TELLS WHY HIS CROPS ARE GOOD

By Associated Press. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 24.—Rich soil of Sangamon county, which in Indian dialect meant "land of plenty," and long years of careful seed selection, produced the corn this year, which brought to Illinois last week, the 1921 grand champion sweepstakes prize of America.

J. W. Workman, producer of this champion grain, is the son and grandson of corn growers. His corn was awarded the championship in Chicago, at the International Grain and Hay show.

Years of careful seed selection, his excellent land, the rotation of corn with alfalfa or clover pasture, are the three outstanding elements in his success.

Farmers about Workman's home say the honor came of hard work, and his wife adds: "Enthusiasm that kept him out of bed at night while all the rest of us slept," pouring over his grains with the same rapture that holds a miser.

"I'm a crank," Mr. Workman said. "You can't raise prize corn for twenty-five years and not be a crank."

Yet for all his corn growing and prize winning he has never seen a perfect ear of corn. "No Perfect Ears." "Never," he said, "have I seen a perfect ear. Not one of the ten ears I sent to Chicago was perfect. All I could do was take the very best I had and hope they would stand up beside the others. In every ear I could see imperfection."

PHILIPPINE BILLS TO BE PRINTED IN BOTH ENGLISH AND SPANISH

By Associated Press. MANILA, P. I., Dec. 24.—At the request of the American Chamber of Commerce, Governor General Wood has recommended to the legislature that all important bills introduced be printed in both Spanish and English, instead of Spanish only as at present.

In his recommendation to the legislature, Governor General Wood said: "There are about 2,000,000 of the inhabitants of the Philippines who understand the English language and it is believed that it would be advisable for important measures proposed in the legislature to be given out in English as well as Spanish so that the English speaking public may have knowledge of them, thereby bringing about a fuller public discussion and understanding of proposed measures."

HERMAN GETS LACING

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Pete Herman of New Orleans, whose dreams of conquest in the fistic world included the regaining of the bantamweight crown he lost last fall to Johnny Buff, was on his way home for Christmas today, a victim of the right-handed wallop of Midget Smith.

Last Summer Pete became one of the "famous few" by regaining the title from Joe Lynch, to whom he lost it last December. He lost it again to Buff and hoped to battle his way to a bout with the Jerseyite for the title. He had marked success until last night when he met Smith in a fifteen-round bout.

The New Orleans lad was off form, or something and a mark for Smith's punches in a majority of the rounds. Smith as a result is to get a chance at the title.

At the end of the fifteenth round Herman's right eye was closed tight, his left ear was in bad shape, his lips were cut and his body above the belt was a mass of welts from Smith's terrific attack.

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A. C. TAYLOR IS GIVEN 28 YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

EMORY, Texas, Dec. 24.—A. C. Taylor was convicted in the district court here Thursday and given a term of twenty-eight years in the penitentiary. Taylor was tried on a charge of criminal assault, alleged to have been committed upon his 14-year-old step-daughter.

At his first trial in Emory last week the jury failed to agree as to the penalty and the court ordered a new trial this week. SEEMS TO REMOVE DUTY ON CANARY BIRDS WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Special consideration for the canary bird, in the pending Fordney tariff bill, has been asked by C. E. Richardson, of Washington, who said that under the bill it would be under the "poultry" classification, with a prohibitive duty.

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APARTMENTS

Teal Hotel, 423 Main; hot water, bath, 'neverything.

13-FOR SALE-Miscellaneous

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN-One 25-hp. J. C. gas engine, with clutch; in A-1 condition; also tank shop, and all buildings and lumber belonging to American Tank Co., located at corner of Oak and Clay sts., Ranger, Texas.

FOR SALE-Five rooms of good furniture; practically new; can be seen at house No. 24, T. P. Camp; will sell at a bargain.

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GARAGE-Elm street, next door to Ranger Daily Times. See owner, 313 S. Rusk.

FOR SALE-Several diamond rings, different sizes; also one 19-jewel Waltham Riverside model watch. Will sacrifice. See Mr. Baum at Baum's Booterie.

FOR SALE CHEAP-Small feather bed and two pillows. 502 S. Marston st., Ohio Rooms.

FOR SALE-Canaries of all kinds. Mrs. B. B. Hawkins, Lackland addition.

PIANO for sale-Bargain; must sell before 1st. Call 216 Lawrence St., Page addition.

TELEPHONE 166 for your Christmas turkeys, hens, and fryers; live or dressed. Adams & Echols, wholesale and retail.

15-HOUSES FOR SALE

FOR SALE-3-room house, furnished, \$500; or house unfurnished, \$300. Inquire 301 B street, Page addition.

16-AUTOMOBILES

FOR SALE-One 1921 model 5-passenger Buick; will sacrifice. E. L. Norris, Prairie Pipe Line garage, Tiffin, Texas.

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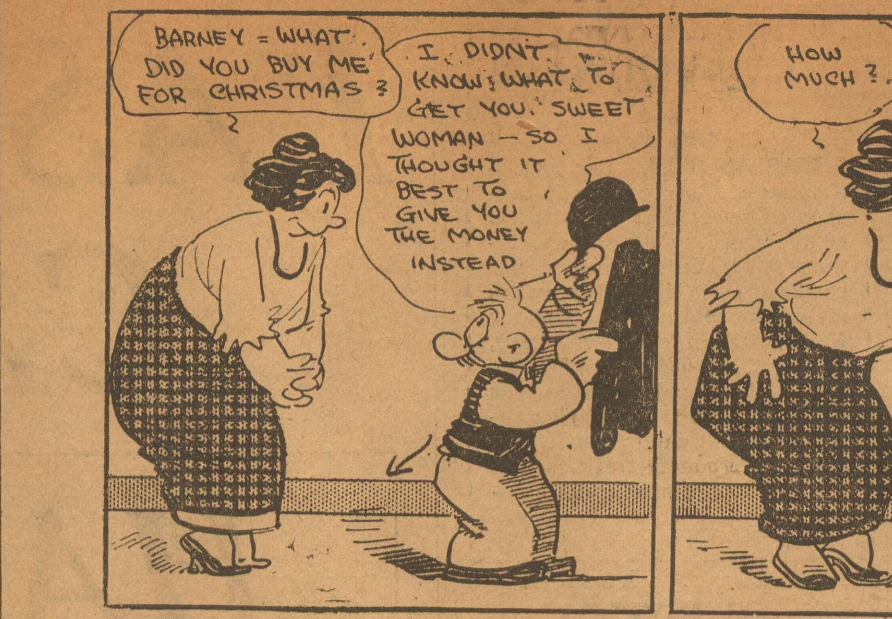
18-WANTED-Miscellaneous

WANTED-A chance to buy your second-hand furniture. We have moved to 121 N. Austin; phone 276, New and Second-hand Store.

SIGNS WILL MAKE CITY HUNTERS FEEL AT HOME

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Dec. 24.-Owing to the unusually large number of deer hunters lost in the Adirondack wilds during the past season, guides and woodsmen are urging that the state place signs on all ponds, lakes and major trails, with arrows showing the points of the compass and giving the names of the waters and trails. It is thought by those familiar with Adirondack woods, that if such a plan was carried out, a majority of those lost while hunting would soon find their way out. Such a method is sure to meet with some opposition upon the part of those who feel that the posting of the woods might detract from the wilderness charm. Senators Reed and Borch are extremely vocal, but not very numerous.-Chicago News.

Barney Has Good Intentions, if Not the Coin



-By Billy De Beck

GIANT WHALE THREATENS PANAMA LOCKS; IS KILLED WITH MACHINE GUN

PANAMA, Dec. 24.-A whale, eighty-eight feet long and big in proportion, got inside the two breakwaters in front of Colon through the narrow opening between the two, which used to be closed with a chain net in the days of the German submarines. The whale passed through the opening and then promptly forgot how he got inside. He wandered at first investigatively over toward the submarine base at Coco Solo, skirted the beach of the aviation field, found the water getting too shallow on that side, and then meandered over toward Toro Point, where the big guns are. Finding himself still barred from exit, he started up the canal toward Gatun dam. What would have happened if he had taken into his head to charge one of the lock gates at Gatun must be left to the imagination, but a valiant sea dog in the person of Capt. Wieshofer, one of the canal pilots, revived the best traditions of the good old days, enlisted the help of the United States navy with a machine gun and saved the locks from the submarine attack. After the whale was killed, the problem of how to maintain the traffic dog in the person of Capt. Wieshofer, one of the canal pilots, revived the best traditions of the good old days, enlisted the help of the United States navy with a machine gun and saved the locks from the submarine attack. The whale was killed, the problem of how to maintain the traffic dog in the person of Capt. Wieshofer, one of the canal pilots, revived the best traditions of the good old days, enlisted the help of the United States navy with a machine gun and saved the locks from the submarine attack. Dead whales do not hold together long in latitude 9. Two locomotives and 75-ton crane were pressed into service in the attempt to land the monster on Pier 6 at Cristobal, but the equipment of the canal was not equal to the occasion. The whale did not budge. Thousands of people thronged to see it. A lady fell into the sea during the excitement, and was promptly rescued by Vincent Simons, Cristobal's champion swimmer, assisted by a soldier, both of whom jumped into the harbor to effect the rescue. Canal activities assumed a holiday form for a while until the port captain issued peremptory orders to get the derelict out of the harbor. Whereupon the tug Portobello was commissioned to tow the leviathan twelve miles out to sea, where the carcass was mounded by a naval airplane, and left to the mercy of the sharks which came in from the Caribbean in shoals. Thus ended the latest attempt at testing the impregnability of the canal defenses. The policy of disarmament won, but it was the whale that was disarmed. It has gone to join the U-boats, and the mighty skeleton now reposes somewhere near where lie the bones of Sir Francis Drake, in front of the ruins of Nombre de Dios.

PROGRAM

LIBERTY-Tom Mix in "The Rough Diamond," also comedy, "Teddy at the Throttle," and "The Adventures of Tarzan." TEMPLE-Jack Livingston in "Wolves of the Range," and comedy. MAJESTIC-Wm. Desmond in "Fightin' Mad," and comedy.

BRITISH CAWN'T SEE MERIT IN OVER DRY LAWS

LONDON, Dec. 24.-Two eminent fighting British admirals have been giving their views on prohibition. Admiral Sir Guy Gaunt, late naval attaché at Washington, speaking at the dinner of the British Saloon Keepers' league, said: "For God's sake save this country from the dry business. I have not got a penny in it, but if you give in for this 'pussyfoot' business you are going to raise a nation of law-breakers. Why? "Over on the other side they talk of nothing but liquor nowadays. The first course was soup; the thing with it a double cocktail. It is nice to give a girl of 19 a double cocktail in a soup dish? If you are going to do that sort of thing in this country then you can pull down the blinds." Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, late director of naval intelligence, spoke in similar vein. "Taking England as a whole," he said, "I contend she is a sober, law-abiding and a God-fearing nation, and in dealing with such a nation our rulers must remember that every law they make has its inevitable reaction in making of law-breakers. "We have an example of this in the United States today concerning the prohibition law, of which land I will say no more than that, like Lord Northcliffe, I will discuss American prohibition when it begins to exist."

NINE KILLED, TOWN RAZED IN ARKANSAS

EARLE, Ark., Dec. 24.-Eight negroes and one white man were killed in a cyclone which practically wiped out Clarksdale, Ark., a dispatch received here today stated. Hundreds of relief workers from the surrounding towns are caring for the injured and searching the ruins for additional victims. Property damage will reach \$200,000.

BIRDS SENT TO BATTLE MEXICAN RATTLES

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.-San Antonio and Southwest Texas will assist in freeing Mexico, especially the desert of Los Leonas, from rattlesnakes, which are so abundant as to constitute a real menace. Four hundred and eighty chapparral cocks or "road runners" have been collected under the charge of the Mexican department of forestry and will be sent to Mexico. Aside from its usefulness in killing rattlers, the chapparral cock is a fine appearing bird and it is proposed to place a number of them in Mexico's national park. The chapparral cock is larger than a game cock, although it has the swift attack of that bird. Its mode of attack is to dance around the rattlesnake until it has an opening, generally teasing the snake into striking, and dodging the attack. Then the bird strikes at the rattler's head with its sharp bill, piercing the brain.

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MAJESTIC Last Time Today WILLIAM DESMOND, ROSEMARY THEBY, WILLIAM LAWRENCE AND VIRGINIA BROWN FAIRE -in- "FIGHTIN' MAD"

SANTA CLAUS' LAST LETTER

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 5 years old. Please, I want a B B gun and a red top and some blocks and a pair of gloves and don't forget candy and nuts and please don't forget my little brother. He is six weeks old. He wants a rattler. As ever, your little friends, PERRY AND JIMMIE LONG.

MIDNIGHT MASS TONIGHT AT ST. RITA'S CHURCH

Tonight at midnight, starting promptly at 12 o'clock a special Christmas high mass and holy communion will be held at the Catholic church. All members are urgently requested to attend. The next mass, it is announced, will be held Christmas morning at 10 o'clock.

CLERK IN DALLAS BANK DROPS DEAD

DALLAS, Dec. 24.-Floyd Merritt, 21, employe of the Federal Reserve bank, dropped dead on the fourth floor of that institution late Friday afternoon. Merritt was talking to another employe when he cried out: "Look out!" He fell, his head striking the corner of a table. The corner, which held the inquest, found death due to natural causes. Merritt's relatives live at Center Point, Texas.

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KELLY FIELD FLYER DIES FROM INJURIES

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.-Captain Ferd Place, Kelly Field aviator, who was injured here Tuesday when his plane fell, died Friday. Lieutenant S. M. Lunt, who was in the same machine, has recovered from his injuries.

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LIBERTY AT THE LAMB TODAY Tom Mix -in- "THE ROUGH DIAMOND" "First Time in Ranger" "Mix's Very Best" -also- "Teddy at the Throttle" -and- "Adventures of Tarzan" TOMORROW AND MONDAY CHARLIE CHAPLIN -in- "THE KID" -and- CLYDE COOK -in- "THE SAILOR"

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CHICAGO BOY SUES PARENTS FOR \$350,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—James E. Rend, Jr., 22 years old, grandson of the late William P. Rend, wealthy Chicago coal dealer, has filed suit against his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Rend, for the recovery of \$350,000 worth of stock in the W. P. Rend company, it was announced today. Rend charges he was defrauded of the \$350,000 by his parents.

William P. Rend died in 1915, and in his will, according to the bill filed here, established a "savings fund" for his son. This fund consisted of the stocks in question, and it was provided that James E. Rend could not obtain them or dividends accruing from them until he was 50 years old.

If he attempted to sell or even negotiate the sale of the stocks it was stipulated that they at once would become the property of the grandson, James E. Rend, Jr. The grandson charges that a year ago his parents schemed to violate the will, place him in possession of the fund, then have him sign over the bonds to his father so that the father might have the stocks before he is 50 years old.

TURKS SLAY DEPORTED ARMENIAN IMMIGRANTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The murder at Constantinople in September of seventeen Armenian women and children who came to the United States seeking safety, but who were ordered to be deported by immigration authorities, was reported to the house immigration committee by C. V. Knightly, counsel for a welfare organization at Boston.

These were deported, as being in excess of the quota allowed from their country.

Details of the killing were obtained, Mr. Knightly said, from an American student at Roberts college, Constantinople. From information obtainable, he declared, the women and children first were outraged by Turks and then murdered, because there was no means for their upkeep and they were considered in the way.

MODERNS JUST AWFUL, IS BISHOP'S OPINION

MANCHESTER, Eng., Dec. 24.—A picture of modern social conditions which surpasses even the revelations of a restricted set which has come into prominence in Los Angeles was painted by the Bishop Guilford, in an address before the church congress here.

"The crumbling of public morals unless arrested, means the death-knell of the nation," he declared.

"Husbands and wives have acquired the habit of infidelity, and promiscuity is rife among the unmarried of all classes.

"The standard of practical morality among women has steadily deteriorated since the Malthusian campaign started forty-five years ago and the only sin was that of being found out.

"The 'emancipation of women' movement has also to be considered in this matter. What can the 'right to motherhood' mean, but the right to indulge in extra-matrimonial social relations without reprobation."

The president of the congress, the Bishop of Birmingham, disagreed with the thesis, declaring that "our great cities are on the whole purer and better places than when I was young."

THREE ARE KILLED.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Three white persons are known to have been killed and a number are reported injured in a tornado which struck the town of Clarkdale, demolishing a store building in which a number of persons had taken refuge from a heavy rainstorm which preceded the wind, according to advices received here.

It was reported that about fifty persons were in the store at the time it collapsed.

Clarkdale is located about twenty miles northwest of Memphis.

CHILD ACCIDENTALLY KILLED BY BROTHER

BARSTOW, Ward Co., Tex., Dec. 24.—The 4-year-old son of W. E. Newton was accidentally shot and killed by his older brother while the latter was handling a rifle.

The accident happened while the family was preparing to move to New Mexico.

GAS MASKS TO FIGHT STEPHENVILLE HOTEL FIRE

STEPHENVILLE, Dec. 24.—Fire of undetermined origin was discovered in the two-story brick Grace hotel and firemen worked nearly two hours before the fire was under control. Firemen used gas masks to make their way.

WHAT \$100 DID.
JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 24.—One hundred dollars will do a good deal, according to Mrs. Anna Cohen, of this city, who recently received a letter from her cousin, Mrs. A. Kerbs, thanking her again for that sum forwarded to her at Lautenberg, West Prussia, now a part of Poland.

NEW DOLLAR TO COMMEMORATE ARMS MEETING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The armament conference will be reflected in a new series of silver dollars, minting of which will be started immediately.

The design of the new dollars was approved by President Harding upon its submission by Raymond T. Baker, director of the mint, following approval by the fine arts commission. Director Baker said 700,000 of the new dollars would be coined before the beginning of the new year.

The new dollars, which were designed by Anthony De Francisci, of New York, will have the usual head of Liberty on the obverse side, while the reverse side will have a large figure of an eagle perched on a broken sword and clutching an olive branch bearing the word "Peace."

Further depicting the dawn of a new era the background will show rays of a rising sun. The usual "E Pluribus Unum" and "In God We Trust" also will be on the coin.

This is the first time since 1878, Mr. Baker said, that a new design has been adopted for the silver dollar. Under existing law the director of the mint is authorized to make a change in coinage with the approval of the fine arts commission every twenty-five years, and the decision to make a new coin emblematic of the arms conference was approved by both President Harding and Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon.

WORKMEN DEMOLISHING CORPUS CHRISTI LANDMARK

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 24.—Destruction of the shell of the old City hotel in Corpus Christi, began recently by the bombing squad of a contracting force, will obliterate an old landmark of Nueces county.

The building, constructed ninety years ago by C. Cahill, is being destroyed with dynamite. During the Mexican war the old building is credited with having been occupied by many of the officers of General Zachary Taylor's expeditionary force, including the then Captain Ulysses S. Grant, Colonel Jefferson Davis, Lieutenant Longstreet and Captain W. T. Sherman, all of whom later were conspicuous figures in the civil war.

LIGHT TO GUIDE INFANT JESUS MEXICAN CHRISTMAS CEREMONY

LAREDO, Dec. 24.—Mexicans in Laredo are observing a curious custom of the Christmas season—the "posadas." There is no Mexican home too poor to have a little shrine of its own at this season of the year and the little lights over the door to guide the infant Jesus are scattered everywhere.

The word "posadas" signifies inn and it is used to designate the shrine which for nine days before Christmas prepares for the coming of the infant Jesus. Taking the idea from the story of the Saviour's birth in a manger, "because there was no room at the inn," the faithful and devoted Mexicans offer their homes in place of the inn.

Before each door hangs a little lamp which is lighted at sunset and burns until sunrise each of the nine nights. Inside the home, according to the condition of the family, there is a little shrine, more or less elaborate, and before this the family and their friends recite the prayers of the season.

ROBBERY SUSPECT MUST STAY IN JAIL TILL BEARD GROWS

PAWHUSKA, Okla., Dec. 24.—Because Andrew Jennings, arrested in Muskogee and placed in jail here in connection with the robbery Tuesday of the First National bank at Nelagony, Okla., was clean shaven when apprehended, he will have to remain in jail until he grows a heavy beard, according to county authorities.

The man who robbed the bank was bearded, according to N. M. Botman, cashier. When Jennings' face is well bristled, Botman will be given a chance to identify him as the robber, authorities say. The man who robbed the bank secured \$1,500, it was announced.

INHERITS FORTUNE OF WOMAN SHE KILLED

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 24.—When the will of Mrs. Pearl Williams, slain on Oct. 29, was read here it was discovered that Mrs. Louise Conkle, convicted of her murder after revelations of a triangular love affair, and under sentence of three years to the penitentiary, was made principal beneficiary.

Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Conkle were girlhood friends.

Mrs. Williams was a widow and a year or so before she was murdered came into a large insurance through the death of her husband on a railroad.

RAGMAN LEFT FORTUNE

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 24.—Petition for probate of the will of Albert Lichtblau, who died Dec. 15, was disclosed that instead of being a penniless old man he possessed \$15,000 in cash and property valued at \$50,000.

A sister, Mrs. Martha Kemp, of Waterbury, Conn., was named to be principal beneficiary.

A policeman found Lichtblau lying in a street, Dec. 7, weak from illness. He died Thursday.

He had gathered rags and paper for years.

BONUS IDEA STILL GIVES MELLON PAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Secretary Mellon formally announced today that the attitude of the treasury department toward the soldiers' bonus has not changed since last July, when Mellon wrote a letter to Senator Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, stating that enactment of bonus legislation would be a serious injury and loss to the whole community and would virtually repudiate the administration's program of retrenchment and economy.

SUB QUESTION AT STANDSTILL AS XMAS NEARS

HUGHES' SOLUTION.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Secretary Hughes today proposed to the disarmament committee that the United States and Great Britain cut their submarine fleet to a total of 60,000 tons, leaving Japan, France and Italy with their present equipment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The French submarine demand is still unsettled and is holding up the deliberations of the army conference. If the French should win their contentions, Great Britain, it is said, will reserve the right to build up a tremendous anti-submarine fleet. These facts stood out today, with the conference hoping to end its debate on the submarine question by Christmas.

The French, after making their suggestion for 90,000 tons of U-boats as a minimum, were apparently bidding their time before making known their auxiliary craft demands. Indications were that their request for tonnage of light cruisers is contingent largely upon what is done with the submarine question.

MAN FATALLY SHOT IN OMAHA PACKING DISTRICT

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 24.—An unidentified man about 27 years old was fatally shot in the South Omaha packing district early last night. He had two addresses in his pocket, one reading the Omaha Employment bureau, 121 North Fifteenth street, Des Moines, Iowa. He died an hour after being shot.

JAPAN AGREES WITH HARDING'S INTERPRETATION

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—Japan does not consider it necessary that the quadruple agreement of the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan be construed as placing any burden on any nation to preserve the territorial integrity of Japan proper, the United Press learned on high authority today. Thus it was made clear that this is Japan's interpretation, in answer to opposition to the treaty in the United States on the ground that it will bind the powers to protect Japan proper as well as to preserve the integrity of Japan's island possessions.

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| —Shirts | —Liners |
| —Gloves | —Mirrors |
| —Hosiery | —Hosiery |
| —Sweater | —Kimonos |
| —O'coats | —Negligees |
| —Neckwear | —Fur Coats |
| —Stick Pin | —Stationery |
| —Tie Clasp | —Shawlettes |
| —Coat Cases | —Mesh Bags |
| —Hand Bags | —Underwear |
| —Underwear | —House Shoes |
| —Cuff Links | —Beaded Bags |
| —House Coats | —Handkerchiefs |
| —Belt Buckle | —Boudoir Caps |
| —Handkerchiefs | —Silverware |
| —Bath Robes | —Neckwear |
| —Silk Pajamas | |

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| For Brother | For Sister |
| —Caps | —Furs |
| —Belts | —Gloves |
| —Shirts | —Dresses |
| —Gloves | —Hosiery |
| —Blouses | —Negligees |
| —Sweater | —Vanities |
| —Pajamas | —Sweaters |
| —Stockings | —Necklaces |
| —Overcoats | —Camisoles |
| —Neckwear | —Mesh Bags |
| —Underwear | —Toilet Sets |
| —Bath Robe | —Stationery |
| —Play Suits | —Underwear |
| —Sailor Suits | —Bath Robes |
| —House Shoes | —Wool Middies |
| —Handkerchiefs | —Handkerchiefs |
| —Mackinaws | —Petticoats |
| —2-pant Suits | —Wool Scarfs |
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