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THE WEATHER

Weather conditions in Wichita Falls for the past 24 hours as reported by the Wichita Falls Electric company observation bureau were as follows: maximum 46, minimum 19, 6 p. m. 44, percipitation 0, south breeze, maximum wind velocity 15 miles per hour, average wind velocity 9 miles per hour, clear, barometer 29.98.

HOBART DEATH TOLL, 35, TO GO HIGHER

Typhoid Germs Planted In Body of M'Clintock May Have Caused Death

Autopsy Fails to Clear Up All Details Around Millionaire's Illness and Final Demise.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—An autopsy over the body of William Nelson McClintock, "millionaire orphan," who died three weeks ago at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Sheperd, his foster parents while Miss Isabelle Pope, his fiance, waited to marry him, has disclosed the presence of typhoid germs but has not determined the cause of death, Coroner Oscar Wolff announced today.

The death certificate showed young McClintock who left his fortune, under the terms of a will to Mr. Sheperd, eexcept for an $8,000 annuity to Miss Pope, had died of typhoid fever. It will take two or three more days to completet he chemical analysis and determine exactly what caused death, the coroner was informed by his chemists.

Make Thorough Search

An indication of the thoroughness of the investigation came tonight when George E. Gorman, assistant state's attorney made public a statement by F. T. Breidigan of Battle Creek, Mich., formerly in chge of clinical routine of the Illinois research laboratories here.

In 1919, Breidigan saidd, Dr. Olson, now dead, and a brother of Judge Harry Olson, chief justice of the municipal court and a friend of the McClintock family who asked that the investigation be launched, brought two men to the laboratory.

They were introduced to him, he said, as "William McClintock" and Mr. Sheperd. The man known as Sheperd, Breidigan said, came to the laboratories several times, with Dr. Olsona nd later made three or four trips alone.

During visits to the laboratory, Breidigan said, the mank nown to him as Sheperd watched his work and expressed particular interest in bacteria cultures, also discussing typhoid germs with Breidigan explaining he was a chemist and druggist and was interested in clinical routine.

William D. Sheperd is now on his way back to Chicago from Albuquerque, N. M., where he and Mrs. Shepherd went to rest after young McClintock's death. He expected to arrive here tomorrow morning and Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney has indicated that Mr. Sheperd who was a chemist and druggist will be questioned at once about young McClintock's death.

Statement Is Significant

Joseph Savage, assistant state's attorney, said his office had not determined as yet what significance might be attached to Mr. Breidigan's statement which came to the office from Judge Olson. Commenting on the investigation, he said: "our investigation is including all possibilities of the case, not excluding that of typhoid inoculation and the possibility of improper treatment of the patient, such as the feeding of solid foods. Our examination of Dr. Rupert Stolp, attending physician, today failed to elicit any confirmation of the possibility that McClintock's death has been hastened or his illness intentionally aggravated.

The body of McClintock, which had been disinterred for the autopsy, was buried again today.

BLIND "SEE A MOVIE."

Reading and Music Give Them "View" of Screen Production.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Twelve hundred blind men, women and children sat in a darkened theater today and "saw" their first motion picture. The reading of an atmospheric narrative, with a rhythmic arrangement to get together with special music enabled the audience to conceive the story as it was unreeled on the screen.

The hero of the screen story was a blind lighthouse keeper.

AMERICAN CONSUL DEAD.

Francis J. Dyer Succombs At Post in Coblenz, Germany.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Francis J. Dyer, American consul at Coblenz died today at Coblenz. The state department was notified that his death was due to paralysis.

Mr. Dyer who at one time was a Washington correspondent for Los Angeles and San Francisco newspapers, entered the consular service in 1915.

TEANKOFF TO BELGRADE

SOFIA, Dec. 26.—Premier Teankoff left for Belgrade this evening to confer with Premier Pasitch to establish friendly relations between Bulgaria Slavia. They also will dispatch combined opposition against bolshevism.

TWO MONTH'S STUDY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.— President Coolidge is giving the "Tacna-Arica" arbitration case his personal attention and expects it to be ready for announcement within two months. He is being assisted in the preparation of his decision by Secretary Hughes.

McCoy Jury Deadlocked

No Agreement Reached in Trial Of Ex-Pug Charged With Murder

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—Indications that the jury sitting in the trial of Kid McCoy, ex-pugilist, charged with the murder of Mrs. Theresa W. Mors, last August, was deadlocked, were seen when Judge Charles S. Crail called the twelve to a conference here late today. Court attaches anticipated no early verdict.

Judge Crail called the jurors to the conference at 5:45 p. m. From the discussion in open court it was evident that contentions had arisen concerning reference to notes taken during the trial by the jurors.

Heavy Damage Is Caused When Fire Razes Refinery

Iowa Park Concern Visited By $50,000 Blaze Early Thursday Night

IOWA PARK, Texas, Dec. 26.—Damage between $45,000 and $50,000 was caused to the plant of the Iowa Park refinery by fire which broke out Thursday night in the exchangers stills. Boilers and brick buildings at the refinery were not injured, but the large towers, vapor lines and exchangers were a total loss.

Firemen from Wichita Falls and Iowa Park answered the call, and quick action in isolating the blaze and the removal of machinery possibly saved entire destruction of the refinery. The fire fighters were not able to combat the flames effectively, which finally burned out shortly after 3 o'clock Friday morning.

Pipe Bursts.

The conflagration was caused, stated firemen of Wichita Falls company No. 3, following inspection, by the bursting of a pipe underneath the furnaces.

Therfire, according to employes, had grown to large proportions before discovered.

New equipment for the refinery is to be ordered immediately, and officials hope to have it in operation again inside of 30 days, according to P. F. Gwynn, official of the company.

The loss will be covered by insurance, employes said.

HE GIVES AWAY MILLIONS

Kansas City Lumber Dealer Splits With His Employees

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—"All the persons participating in my Christmas gift need what I have given them, and I believe, they, as well as myself will find life much brighter in the future," this was the explanation made today to International News Service today by William McClellan Ritter, president of the Ritter Lumber company, who astonished the business world and his own employes by announcing a stock distribution which bankers estimate will approximate between $2,000,000 and $3,000,000.

COLD WAVE HITS GOTHAM.

Warmer Weather Enjoyed Friday Only Temporary.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The cold wave which inflicted the most frigid Christmas in many years upon the middle and far west reached New York today. The rise in temperature to 23 degrees this afternoon following a drop to 11 above zero at 7:30 this morning, the lowest point to which the mercury had sunk on December 26 since 1872, will be only temporary, the weather bureau announced.

HOLIDAY TOLL IS SIX.

Christmas Day Mishaps Cause Heavy Loss in Texas.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—Six persons were dead in Texas today, the toll of Christmas day mishaps in various cities of the state. Mrs. Esther Ruth Tucker, 21, was killed in a traffic collision at Fort Worth. Prof Joseph Ricci, widely known musician and Isaac Hamill were fatally injured in a similar Beaumont crash. Will P Pike of Honey Grove died from exposure after his automobile had overturned, injuring him. Mrs. L. S Mills was killed near San Antonio when her machine plunged into a ditch.

DAMAGE FROM WAGGONER FIRE TO BE $150,000

To Start Friday Clearing Away Offices Soaked by Flood of Water

BLAZE INCENDIARY

McClure Believes Flames Started Purposely; Motive Is Not Known

Destruction caused by fire which broke out early Christmas morning on the roof of the Bob Waggoner building, damage caused by the upsetting of two giant water tanks on top of the structure when their supports gave away, and harm caused by the cracking of a maze of water pipes on the top floor was estimated by fire and insurance officials Friday to amount to more than $150,000. The theory was advanced by Fire Chief J. T. McClure that the blaze was of incendiary origin. He declared that following a close inspection he had come to the conclusion that the fire could not have been started by defective wiring.

No Offices Escape.

Not an office on the sixth and seventh floors of the seven-story structure escaped damage from water. The fifth floor was in but little better condition Friday, and hardly an office, beginning from the bottom of the building and mounting upward was not damaged to some extent. Workmen devoted all of Friday to clearing away debris, moving out damaged furniture, and placing the building in condition for reconstruction of the ceilings on each floor. All were damaged by water. Plaster soaked loose and ceilings, caused by the deluge when the water tanks were overturned and by the breaking of the water pipes, had fallen and littered the floors. Water had ruined files, libraries, and damaged furniture of many of the offices. Harmon's drug store, situated on the ground floor at the corner of Eighth and Scott, probably was hit harder than any concern in the building. No estimate of the harm done could be given by officials of the store yesterday while the cleaning up process was underway preparatory to checking up. Water injured much of the stock, and falling plaster broke show cases and smashed bottled goods.

Chief McClure yesterday emphati-

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FT. WORTH LINEMAN KILLED.

W. T. Irby Fatally Injured When Pinned to Grond.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—W. T. Irby, 48 years old, lineman for a local traction company, died at 5 o'clock this afternoon of injuries he received two hours before when he was pinned beneath a pole at Forest Park.

Irby with a crew o fworkmen was replacing an old pole with a new one and in some manner the timber slipped. All of the men got out of its path but Irby.

$2.00 WHEAT IN OREGON

Top Price Attained In Portland First Time Since War

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26. — Wheat prices reached the $2 mark here today for the frist time since war time prices prevailed. Two dollars a bushel was bid for big bend blue stem at today's session of the local exchange.

ROBBERS GET ALL

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 26.—Levis Lawson was seriously injured and robbed of his life's savings of $3900 by two men who attacked him tonight.

Lawson's jaw was fractured and his head badly cut by his assailants.

Lawson was planning to return to his home in Ireland with the money he had saved. He is a day laborer.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 26.—A. S. Moore, charged in complaint with murder of Deputy Sheriff A. P. Oliver of Sentinel, Okla., in a hotel here Christmas morning, was remanded to jail without bail this afternoon. Moore waived preliminary hearing.

HOUSE IS BURNED

EDWARDSVILLE, Dec. 26.—Two lives were lost and two persons seriously burned when fire early today destroyed the house of Joseph Schaefer. The dead are Louis Taper, 70, and the infant Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Schaefer.

POWDER HOUSE EXPLODES

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 26.—The powder house of the Underwood colliery of the Pennsylvania coal company at Gyphant exploded today, damaging several houses in the neighborhood and breaking every window within a radius of two miles.

Shoot To See Which Is Best

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—Julius Jordan, 16 years old, is in the hospital and not expected to live, and police are searching for another youth about the same age, as the result of a shotgun duel staged by the boys this afternoon to see "which could shoot the best."

The shooting followed an argument between the two boys as to which one was the best marksman with air rifles, and when the discussion became somewhat heated, some companions went for shotguns so that the boys could settle the affair.

The shotguns were thrown down between the youths, each took one, and then they backed away about fifty or sixty feet from each other. Both fired. Jordan dropped wounded, while the other boy ran away.

Jordan is not expected to live. The left side of his face and head is filled with buckshot and his left eye is believed to be punctured. Part of his face was shot away.

Between twenty-five and thirty boys witnessed the argument and the shooting, one boy saying that "he could not look at the shooting" and ran across a railroad track nearby.

Stamford Inn To Be Rebuilt As Modern Structure

New Hotel to Go Up On Site Of One in Which Four Lives Were Lost

STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 26.—Plans were underway here today to replace with a fire proof building the famous Stamford Inn, three-story frame structure, destroyed by fire Wednesday night with the loss of four lives—a mother and her two children and a man.

Several persons were injured, the most serious being W. B. Winters of Ralls, whose wife and three-year-old son and 15 months daughter met death. E. D. Lotspeich, a local cotton buyer, was the other fatality. Property loss is estimated at $75,000.

Although origin of the blaze has not been determined, one report has it that a Christmas tree caught fire in a room on the third floor.

"LA SALLE WOLFE" IS ILL.

Physicians to Investigate His Condition At Request of Attorneys.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—At the request of District Attorney Edwin A. Olson of Chicago, department of justice officials in southern California have been asked to investigate the state of health of John W. Worthington, former private banker once known as "the wolfe of LaSalle Street," who is under ten year sentence upon conviction of using the mails to defraud.

MEXICANS SHOOT IT OUT.

One Arrested As Other Lies Dying in Houston Hospital.

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—"Shot in the back three times with a .45 caliber revolver, Christopher Diaz, Mexican, is in a dying condition here today. W. J. McDavid is held in jail in connection with the shooting, charged with assault to murder. McDavid denies any knowledge of the shooting. When taken into custody he was considered too intoxicated to question.

COULDN'T LIVE WITHOUT HER.

Railroad Man At Houston Ends Life With Revolver.

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—(INS)—Leaving a note to his sweetheart that he could not live without her, Earl Richards, 29, welder employed by the Southern Pacific railroad here, walked to the front porch of his rooming house Thursday night and fired a .38 caliber bullet through his brain.

The body is being held pending location of relatives. He is known to have a brother and sister living in New Orleans.

MAN KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK.

Engineer Meets Death, Others Hurt In Utah Accident.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 26.—Engineer John Gerstenschlager was killed and two other trainmen were injured today when a freight train on the Marysvale, Utah, branch of the Denver & Rio Grande Western railroad was derailed. The cause of the derailment has not been determined.

WARMER WEATHER COMING

Middlewest to Have More Comfort After Freezing Spell

CHICAGO, Dec. 26. — Warmer weather was in prospect for Chicago and the middle west today following the coldest Christmas day in 52 years when thet hermometers sank to six degrees below zero in the city bringing death and suffering as its yuletide gift.

To the west and northwest lower temperatures prevailed.

WANT DECREE VACATED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The California Cooperative Canneries through its Washington attorney, today asked the District of Columbia supreme court to vacate the consent decree under which the packers agreed to divorce themselves from all business not related to the meat industry.

AVIATORS LAND

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Lieutenants Oakley G. Kelly and M. C. Miller, who left Vancouver Barracks, Washington, yesterday at 1 o'clock for San Francisco, landed here today at 11:58 a. m.

ZERO WEATHER TIGHTENS GRIP ON WEST COAST

Balmy California Suffering As Thermometer Sinks To Unknown Levels

FRUIT GROVES ARE HIT

Smudge Pots Work Overtime To Save Citrus Groves In Southern Valley

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Dec. 26. The Pacific northwest continued today to experience near and sub-zero temperatures and in California the weather bureau reported the temperatures ranged from 18 to 45 degrees above zero. Santa Rosa, Calif., reported 18 degrees above and Los Angeles 45. In San Francisco the temperature was 36.

In Washington state the minimum was 4.5 degrees below zero at Yakima, and in the western part of the state—Olympia—the temperature was 24 degrees above. Residents along the columbia river are experiencing the novelty of crossing the river on the ice that for the first time in many years has covered the water. The lowest temperature reported in Oregon was 10 below at Baker and Portland residents wentt o work in a temperature of 13 above.

Smudge Pots Burn

Smudge pots worked over time in the citrus groves of southern California to ward off the frost. Damage in the citrus belt so far has "not been serious" according to the California Fruit Growers' Exchange announcement. The exchange explained that there had been some loss owing to the frost, the exact extent of which has not been determined, but, it was added, the total damage is not heavy. The high winds have caused some damage which has not been estimated

The Day In Washington

Congress in recess.

The senate and house joint postoffice subcommittee continued hearings on the postal pay increase bill.

Secretary Wilbur began work on a statement to the senate naval committee for its information in considering the department's supply bill.

FIRES "AN INSULT."

So Says Jim of Burning of State's Text Books.

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 26.—"The astounding spectacle of 400,000 books paid for by the tax money of the people being piled up and deliberately burned is an insult to the cause of public education and is a waste of public funds that must shock the intelligence of everybody," declared former Governor James E. Ferguson today with reference to the new text book contracts now before the attorney general for approval.

ATKINSON NEW CHAIRMAN.

Oregon Man to Become Head of Important Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Under interstate commerce commission seniority, Commissioner Clyde B. Atchison of Oregon will become chairman January 1, succeeding Commissioner Henry Hall of Colorado, who has served in that post during the calendar year 1924.

COLDER OVER ATLANTIC

Eastern Seaboard In Grip of Frigid Wave Once Again.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Much colder weather has overspread the Atlantic states during the past 24 hours and freezing temperature was general this morning along the gulf coast from Pensacola Florida, westward according to reports to the United States weather bureau.

Except for local snows in portions of the Lake region and New England, general fair weather has prevailed since Thursday.

EXTRA SESSION IN DOUBT

Coolidge Makes No Announcement Concerning Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Decision as to an extra session of congress after March 4 is being withheld by President Coolidge, but in his opinion, one should be called only in event of some development of great importance.

The president will await the termination of the present session before making any attempt to decide on the question of an extra session.

TEXAN KILLED BY CAR

Winters Man Exonerates Driver of Machine Which Struck Him.

LORDSBURG, N. M., Dec. 26.—(INS)—J. L. Cox, Winters, Texas, is dead here today as a result of having been struck by an automobile, said to have been driven by J. P. Rhodes, a mining man of Lordsburg.

Cox was on his wy to California. He completely exonerated Rhodes before dying.

YOUTHS ARRAIGNED

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Karl Peters, 19, former honor student at Wichita high school and candidate for the consular service, Harry Baran, 19, Jess Guess, 24, and Homer Davis, 22, were arraigned today on a charge of first degree murder following the death in a hospital last night of Detective Rudolph M. Mark.

Florence Hill Takes Her Place With Heroines Of Past—Dies for a Babe

By A. HALLMAN
Record News Staff

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—They tell much of heroism—in bygone histories and books—but Hobart today is telling verbally its own tale of futile endeavor; of unrewarded effort and heroic action that caps a climax of Barbara Fritchies and other heroines of the past. How Florence Terry Hill, teacher at the Babbs Switch school might have escaped Wednesday night, but surrendered the opportunity in an effort to share it with an infant that she knew must otherwise perish, is common talk here. She was in the arms of her husband, a survivor tells, and sure of exit when she spied the crying baby, deserted in the middle of the floor. She released herself, evaded her husband's eldtch, and rushd back into the flames, never to return. Her husband, blinded by the smoke, grasped another form and escaped with slight burns. He had saved another man's wife.

The story of Florence Hill is the story of six years of service at the little school. Since her university days six years ago it had received her handiwork and had been her pride. The night had been a climax to her career. She had worked all fall for the success of the program. She saw with an unconscious pride her handiwork in this lass and that chap, daw bolding, Santa Claus—fine fellow; his mother might claim him but she knew that part of him was hers. That was her reward for the years of effort. Never a thank you; nothing more, for she gave her life a moment later in one last service to mankind. You say he was a man; well, here's a woman.

Bones and Bolts Tell Story Of How Hobart Kiddies Met Death In Flames

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—(INS)—This is the story of why 35 persons are dead here today and 50 or more are less seriously injured. It is the story of barred windows that converted a little white school house into a prison cell—windows barred with heavy wires and great bolts. It is the story of the auto vandalina country community. It is the cause behind the Babb School's locked furnace of death.

Schools in this section of the United States are barred that way. The authorities declare today they have had no choice. Wooden shutters and ordinary screens failed. Gypsies of the automobile trails are held responsible today for the deaths at Babb's Christmas revel.

Hobart citizens—and from the telegrams pouring in here today, citizens all over Oklahoma—will go before the next elgislature and ask for a law making it illegal to bar school house windows or to use inflammable material on Christmas trees.

But the farmers of the Babb's section will keep shotguns handy. The vandal tourist may not know of Hobart's tragedy—but those who are left from it will always remember.

There were other traps in the flaming school house. There were the immovable school seats, bolted to the floor. And under them bodies piles like logs ready for the burning. Bones and charred flesh were found jammed and wedged between the burned remains of the seats.

Thre was a grewsome scene in the morgues of Hobart and the countryside yesterday and today. It was not undertakers who did the first work—it was surgeons. Bit by bit, burnt bone by burnt bone, they pieced together the relics of the fire until they announced they had assembled 33 bodies. True identification was rare.

All through the night the searchers worked in the embers. Bones and bolts told the tragedy.

MUSKOGEE CHILDREN GIVE THEIR PRETTIES.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 26. —From Muskogee there went to Hobart today a token of the sympathy of little children, one for another. It was a box of toys—joyous toys prized highly—the brand new gift of Santa Claus. The box was sent to the major of Hobart with a request that he have the contents distributed among the bereaved children of the Babb's Swith area.

The presents were contributed by 25 Muskogee children who acted voluntarily after news of the school house tragedy reached them.

WEDDING BELLS TURN TO DIRGES.

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—Bells, which were to have peeled joyously for the wedding of Claude Bolding and Gladys Clements, yesterday, today tolled lugubriously as the body of the bride-to-be was laid in its final resting place in the Hobart cemetery.

Miss Clements was one of three sisters who perished with 30 other persons in the fire which destroyed the Babb's Switch school house; Bolding was badly burned in a futile attempt to save his sweetheart, but is expected to recover. One of Miss Clements' sisters, Mrs. Juanita Clements Stevenson, came here with her three-year-old daughter from Michigan to attend the wedding. Tonight the bodies of mother and child lie side by side in the local morgue together with that of Miss Clements' other sister who was to have acted as bridesmaid.

EVEN THESE PLAY ROLES OF HERO.

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—Since the first word of the Babb's Switch catastrophe in which 34 Christmas eve celebrants met death by fire, telephone operators at Hobart exchange and Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Western Union telegraph operator have remained constantly on duty.

Mrs. Daisy Rogers, a telephone operator, called from a Christmas celebration Wednesday night has not left her instrument since the tragedy.

"I CRAWLED UNTIL I GOT OUT IN THE COLD."

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—Crawling on hands and knees, dodging in between shuffling feet and straining bodies, a tiny girl, Lelia Biggers, four and a half years old escaped without a scratch from the Babb's Switch Christmas eve holocaust in which 34 persons lost their lives.

"I crawled until I got out into the cold," was the simple way in which Lelia described her escape. The child was listed among the missing in early lists of victims. Her two brothers, Walter and William, died in the fire, and her mother, Mrs. W. H. Riggers, was probably fatally burned.

He Saved Others While Sister Went To Death In Blazing School House

By A. HALLMAN.
Record News Staff.

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—He saved others while his sister was burning to death.

Andrew Jackson, hero of the fire here Christmas eve night to whose credit five lives have been chalked up, tried a full minute after he had escaped the burning building to tear the heavy steel wiring from a window and lend a hand to his 18-year-old sister struggling just inside to get away from the searing flames and save herself from the death she knew was only a moment away.

Frantically he tore at the screen, but it had been bolted too securely and its meshes were too strong. A moment's work told him he could do no good there, and shouting words of encouragement to his agonized sister he rushed to the door at the front of the building to do what he could do to make an exit through which he might save her.

He glimpsed her last in the arms of her sweetheart, a boy to whom she was shortly to be married and one of a family of six all burned to death before her eyes.

At the door Andrew found people jammed thick — literally packed and jagged flames reaching out between them and driving back those who would help. The flames never mattered to this boy, one by one he pulled his friends from the fire, hoping ever against chance that by some means he might get to his sister before it was too late. He it was who helped Katy McNutt, teacher at a neighboring school, to save her mother, who, lying far up in the door way with dozens packed on top of her, seemed destined for certain death.

And so they say that as some stood back and watched—dazed—he snatched others from certain cremation. Five he pulled from that furnace doorway, one man counted.

Andrew wasn't at home this morning, he was out at the graveyard, his father explained with a choke that nearly hushed his words—out at the graveyard, measuring off his sister's grave. He saved others this boy did, while his sister burned to death.

PANCHO TO FIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Pancho Villa, Filipino holder of the world's flyweight title, will defend his championship in a 20-round match at Manila the last week in January against Young Sencio, recognized flyweight title holder of the Orient. Sencio is also Filipino.

OPERA SINGER DEAD

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Mme. Elvira Leveroni, opera singer, died here today at the home of her sister, after a two months illness.

GRIM REAPER LIES IN WAIT AT HOSPITALS

First Victims of Christmas Eve Holocaust Are Buried Friday; Others Today

MEMORIAL IS HELD

At Least Three More And Perhaps Four Will Not Live to See Dawn

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—will be found the full list of dead in the Hobart Christmas eve fire.

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—(AP) Death stood menacingly outside the doors of three local hospitals as the first of the victims of the Babb's Switch school fire on Christmas eve were buried in Hobart cemetery today. The list of dead which rose to 35 tonight with the death of Mrs. J. P. Noah was expected to mount higher before dawn comes to signal a renewal of the interments.

Mrs. Noah died at the Physicians and Surgeons hospital where she was removed after being taken from the blazing school house. Mrs. Joe McNutt was reported slowly sinking at her rural home, while Lewis F. Eden battled with death in an improvished hospital in a physician's residence. Mrs. Walter G. Bigbers in the Miles sanitarium is not expected to recover.

8 Are Buried.

Night cloaked the Hobart cemetery as the last of the eight bodies buried today was laid to rest. In one grave sleep the three Clements sisters, Mabel, Mary Lois, Mrs. Juanita Clements Stevenson and the three-year-old daughter of Mrs. Stevenson.

Volunteer workmen were unable to complete today the huge trench in which twenty bodies will be buried. They will be interred tomorrow, as will the remaining six.

A wreath of pink and white flowers, a lover's last mark of devotion to the earthy being of his sweetheart, went into the grave with the body of Gladys Clements. Claude Bolding, fiancee of the dead girl, dangerously burned, is in a hospital. They were to have been married yesterday.

Others Buried.

The others buried today were the Reveille children, Lee and Lelia, Mrs. Glen Terry Hill, teacher of the school, and Vesta Jackson. No ceremonies were held at the graves.

Hobart and Kiowa county joined in a memorial service earlier in the afternoon, ministers of all the city churches taking part. Following the reading of the list of dead, the Rev. C. B. Kline, pastor of the Christian church, read from the ninetieth Psalm.

Sobs at times rising above the minister's intonations broke the rhythm of the Psalm to the dead.

"Thou carriest them away as with a flood'," he read, "They are as asleep; in the morning they are like the grass which groweth; in the morning it flourisbeth and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down and withereth'."

Startled by Shriek.

A piercing shriek from a sister of Vesta Jackson sent a shudder through the two thousand or more persons in the city auditorium as the minister finished. In that shriek the suppressed grief of a community was voiced.

Tears coursed down cheeks of many who had known those who so gaily went to the Yuletide celebration which terminated in one of the state's greatest fire tragedies, as a choir sang softly the comforting strains of "Asleep in Jesus."

Other ministers, who took part in the memorial, were the Rev. G. F. Brown, Baptist; the Rev. U. N. Stout, Methodist; the Rev. Robert Alexander, Church of Christ, and the Rev. C. W. Estes, Presbyterian.

Brief words of consolation to the relatives of the dead followed quotations from the Scriptures by the ministers.

Hobart business houses closed during the afternoon at the request of Mayor F. E. Gillespie, and hundreds of rural residents trekked over slippery country roads to bow in tribute to the dead and follow their remains to the cemetery.

181 Registered For Traveling Men's Dinner Monday Night; Final Drive To Secure Registrations Made Saturday

With 181 of the 250 available seats already reserved, chamber of commerce officials are anxious that Saturday bring a complete registration of all those who are to attend the traveling men's banquet to be given at the Kemp hotel next Monday night. Names will be accepted up until Monday evening but it is hoped that as many as possible will come in today in order that an earlier advance estimate can be made on the number to be expected.

Other plans for the dinner, which will be one of the most unique and unusual ever held here, are now complete or nearly so. Some exceptional entertainment features — music, and humor, have been arranged and with the two addresses scheduled an excellent evening is assured. The principal talks will be made by Reginald Holland, publisher of Holland's magazine, and by Frank Kell.

The dinner and program has been planned by the chamber of commerce in honor of the salesmen of this district who cover the Wichita Falls trade territory.

THE WEATHER

Oklahoma: Saturday probably fair, severe cold wave; Sunday probably fair, continued cold; protect livestock.

East Texas: Saturday partly cloudy, warmer in southwest portion, cold wave in northwest portion with severe cold at night; Sunday probably fair, colder.

West Texas: Saturday fair, colder; cold wave in north portion with severe cold at night; protect livestock; Sunday fair, continued cold.

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4 MEDALS TO HERO OF WAR

Col. Claude Miller Honored For Part Played in Spanish Campaigns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Award of four distinguished service crosses, one of them to Colonel Claude H. Miller, now of the army war college, and three to retired negro enlisted men, for heroism during the Philippine campaign, a quarter of a century ago, was announced today by the war department.

Seven citations for gallantry in action during the Spanish American war, Philippine campaign and for service in China also was announced, two of them naming Major General Leonard Wood. One of General Wood's citations was for gallantry in action against the Spanish forces at Las Guasmas, Cuba, June 24, 1898, and the other for gallantry at San Tiago, Cuba, July 1, 1898. These citations entitle the recipients to silver stars.

Colonel Miller also received one of the citations for gallantry in action. Two others were awarded to Colonel Charles Wexton of the chemical war fare service, now stationed at Edgewood arsenal, Md., for gallantry against the Spanish forces at El Caney, Cuba, July 1, 1898, and Colonel Herbert E. Tutherly then captain, first cavalry, for gallantry at Santiago, July 1, 1898.

Two citations were awarded Colonel Edwin V. Bookmiller, retired, formerly of the ninth cavalry, for gallanerty at Santiago, July 1, 1898, and against the Boxer forces at Tientsin, China, July 13, 1900.

DAMAGE

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cally denied that the flooding of the building and the attending damage was caused by the fire department's pouring water through the roof to quench the flames. An inspection of the upper stories of the structure readily confirmed this.

Upsetting of two 1,500 gallon tanks and the cracking of a mass of water pipes on the tower of the two roofs which cover the building was responsible for the deluge. It was explained that all the water used in the building comes from the two anks, which are filled from the city mains by means of large supply pipes running up from the ground. As these are kept full, a breakdown in the city supply would not immediately cut off the Waggoner building from water.

The lines carrying the water to all parts of the building lead out from the bottom of these two tanks and from a veritable network of interlacing pipes on top. This maze is laid on the concrete roof directly over the top sto . Five feet above it is, or was, the wood, tar, asphalt and gravel roof that burned away. The two big water tanks were on top the higher roof.

As the fire spread, it burned away the supports of the tanks which promptly turned over and spilled their contents. Prior to this ,however, the heat had cracked the pipe network below and these emptied their streams onto the rapidly crumbling concrete sheets beneath them. It was water from this source, then, that filtered through walls and ceilings and caused the heavy damage. Firemen and others who visited the burning building found torrnts of water pouring down before a fire hose ever reached the top. Only two lines were carried above the parapets, one going up by way of a fire escape on the northwest corner and the other by the escape on the southeast corner. Streams from them turned to steam before they ever reachd the flames, and once the fire had burned itself out there was no need for the use of further water.

Makes Investigation.

A thorough inspection by Chief McClure and others in authority revealed yesterday the cause of the flooding of the big office building.

Regarding the incendiary theory Chief McClure said that while he was at a total loss as to any motive for the fire, the blaze, he believed, could have originated in no other way. All electric wires in the building are carried in insulated conduits and the electrical work thoughout was of righ grade. The machinery in the penthouse covering the elevator shafts was also in good condition, a recent inspection revealed. The flames started near this small, box-like affair, but it is now believed that they had their inception on the outside.

No one could approach the flaming roof from inside the building and while the blaze was at its height and at that time the incendiarism theory had not been advanced. For that reason no investigations were made as to the cause. A minute inspection yesterday after the ruined roof had cooled failed to bring to ligh tanything that would support the assumption that the human element figured in the start. Chief McClure, however, and other fire department officials clung to their contention that something was wrong some where.

Five men were injured to an extent during the blaze by scalding water and steam when the supports of the two tanks gave way and flooded boiling water down the small stairway on the seventh floor.

Andrew Julison, driver of Station No. 1's chemical truck, was scalded on an arm. H. Jobe(pipeman of Station No. 1, Sheldon Davis, hoseman from the same station, and Bailey Kenley of Iowa Park, who was aiding the firemon, each was burned and scalded on the neck. J. W. Lyle of Wichita Electric company received cuts on the face from falling plaster.

Liberty makes progress. Years ago only a queen could poison surplus males.

Destroys Malarial Germs in the Blood and Restores Energy
Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic
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School House A Plaything Of Fate For Years; Fire Climaxes Its History

By A. HALLMAN
Record News Staff

HOBART, Okla., Dec. 26.—Hobart's death trap, the Babb's Switch school house, has been the plaything of fate since a structure was first placed on the spot by residents of this place.

The dice were first rolled against it ten years ago when it burned to the ground one night following a row between the teacher, a young man just out of the University of Oklahoma, and some of the school's bad boys.

The teacher was burned out of his job and the structure not replaced until the following year.

Two years ago it was the victim of a tornado, which picked it up and flattened it out in a neighboring cotton patch. It was rebuilt again and has been saved from fire three times since by residents of the community who have found and been able to stop the flames before they gained much headway. "Bad boys," they explained it to the school board.

DEATH STILLS FOREVER ENTIRE BABB HOME.

BABB'S STATION, Okla., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Death has stilled the hands that made a home of the farm house of W. T. Curtis, and the quietude that settled over the place the night that Curtis, his wife and their two children left to attend the Christmas eve celebration at the Babbs school house is unbroken. They all perished with 30 of their neighbors in the fire which destroyed the school building.

The Curtis home is about a mile from the scene of the tragedy.

Cows wait at a turnstile for the feeding hand of the farmer, and a dog, unable to understand why his little playmates, Frances 8 and Edna 12, no longer come to frolic with him, lies at the back door, expectantly.

In a mail box at the entrance to the farm lie untouched two Christmas packages to Edna and Mrs. Curtis, sent by O. P. Peterson of Corpus Christi, Texas, a former neighbor of the Curtis family.

No one has come to the home since Wednesday night and the winter wind, whistling around eaves, echoes the wail of the stricken community.

Inside the house Christmas presents prepared by the parents for their children lie unclaimed. Little nightgowns hung by the fire to warm on Christmas eve are as cold as the small bodies that they once covered, now awaiting burial at a Hobart morgue.

Apparently there are no relatives of the Curtis family in this vicinity.

MA SEEKS CLEAN RECORD

Petitions Court to Remove All Legal Disqualifications

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, governor-elect of Texas today petitioned the district court of Bell county for removal of all legal disqualifications in making contracts that might arise from her status as a married woman.

The petition was joined in by her husband, former governor James E. Ferguson and sets forth that she desires the status of a feme sole "for mercantile and trading purposes" so that she can negotiate and sign contracts in the management of her personal property and be entirely free from the influence of her husband in making such contracts.

Friends of the family assert that the move has been made in order that no contract or document that she may make while governor can be attacked through the courts as invalid because of the legal disqualifications imposed on married women in Texas. Action on the petition will be taken tomorrow.

WICHITA STATE UNDAMAGED.

Bank Goes Through Fire With Little Loss.

The two large steel vaults in the Wichita State Bank and Trust company are the best that modern engineering skill can devise against destruction of valuable papers and securities by fire and water. According to Lester Jones, cashier of the bank, they aults could be completely submerged in water, or placed in a blazing fire without damage in any way to the contents.

Officers of the bank stated that their damage from the Waggoner building fire had been slight and that not a sheet of paper or a record was hurt by water. The ceiling of the lobby was soaked with dripping water and scaffolds were hastily erected to catch falling plaster. The service of the bank will not be interrupted. Business is being conducted as usual.

STRUCK BY TRAIN; KILLED.

Fort Worth Woman Fatally Hurt as She Walks on Katy Tracks.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—Mrs. J. W. Master, 48 years, is dying in a local hospital as a result of being struck by a Missouri, Kansas, Texas train at 7:10 o'clock tonight. She, with her husband, was walking down the railroad tracks and did not notice the oncoming train. Both of her legs were severed and she sustained seven fractured ribs and a fractured skull.

STEAMER IS LOST

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—All hope has been abandoned that there may be survivors of the Novorossisk University, the entire faculty of which was reported drowned in a ship wreck several days ago. The vessel sank near Odessa.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water relieves sore eyes from dust and gnats. Red folding box. All druggists.—Adv.

HOBART'S DEAD

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Coffey and four children, Maudie, Audrey, Corley, Ethel, Mrs. Florence Hill, teacher at school, Mrs. Junita Clements Stevenson and daughter, Mary, Vesta Jackson, R. T. Goforth, John Goforth, Bud Biggers, Perry Biggers, Duwell Bolding, William Curtis, Mrs. William Curtis, two Curtis children, eight and ten, Mary Elizabeth Wilson, John Hetzenberger, Curtis Peterson, Cyril Peck, Lilis Revelle, Lynn Reveille, Gladys Clements, Mary Lois Clements, Mattie May Bryan, Mrs. Rhoda Bradshaw, Mattie Holding, thirteen, Edward Bolding, ten, John Duke, Jr., Paul Peck and Opal Peck and Mrs. J. P. Noah.

135 DIE IN MINES OF U. S.

Bureau Announces Fatal Accidents in Coal Shafts of Country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Accidents at coal mines in the United States during November caused the death of 135 men, the bureau of mines announced today. Of this number 114 lost their lives at bituminous mines throughout the country and 41 at anthracite mines in Pennsylvania.

The fatality rate for the entire industry 3.26 per million tons of coal mined as compared with 3.45 for November, 1923.

CARBON GAS KILLS THREE

Defective Furnace Responsible For Three Deaths In Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—Carbon Monoxide gas from a defective gas furnace killed three persons in one family here today. The dead are: Charles E. Adams, 58; Mrs. Mary L. Adams, 84, brandmother of Charles Adams; Miss Marjorie Adams, 17, granddaughter of Mrs. Adams and niece of Charles Adams.

The three bodies were discovered in their home by I. L. Adams a relative who called at the home this afternoon.

AT WORK ON STATEMENT

Secretary Wilbur Preparing Data For Naval Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Secretary Wilbur began work today on a statement he will make to the senate naval committee Monday when it takes up the appropriation bill for the coming fiscal year.

Chairman Hale of the committee had submitted to Mr. Wilbur a list of questions on which committee members desire information. The secretary did not indicate today on what specific points as to conditions in the fleet or the naval plant ashore the committee required, but he said his statement would overlap the statements he made to house naval appropriations subcommittee only in certain features.

Ben Meroff And His Band Carry Vodevill Honors

Wichita Program a Balanced And Pleasing Affair This Week

"Shine," "Dancing Ben," "Riggoletto," a xylophone specialty and "Iceskating," were among the jazz numbers put out by Ben Meroff and his band in the feature act of the Wichita's vaudeville bill this week. "The Brown Derby," which included specialties for banjo, violin, tuba, corset and trombone, created a sensation. There is a lot of clown play and comedy worked into the program, and many surprises are given the audience in every number. Ben Meroff is a good dancer and puts plenty of it into the act. Every member of the company are live wire jazz artists and work well together.

Herbert Clifton burlesques the various feminine types in his impersonations of the weaker sex. He makes a course, comical woman, and in his impersonation of an oriental dancer he shows a large bare back that is well muscled. He uses the powder puff freely and is enveloped in a cloud of it most of the time. Among his other impersonations are his impression of a French Prima Donna appearing for the first time in vaudeville, and a burlesque of a Spanish dancer.

Anything that has humor in it usually gets over big with an audience. Pauline Saxon and Al Belasco specialize in a brand of chatter that, when coming from them, never fails to get a laugh. Miss Saxon was a telephone operator but she listened in so much that they fired her for broadcasting. She comes out all dressed up like a ripe tomato and does her dance while Al Belasco promotes some mean notes on his saxophone.

Stutz and Bingham will take no prizes in a beauty contest, but they are hilariously funny. Miss Bingham, the perfect 36, is a perfect thirty-six around the neck. Stutz is an undersized idiotic looking affair who is always in danger of loosing his trousers. They carry on an amazing conversation and mingle a number of songs with it. It used to be "Wine, Women and Song"; but now its "Wood Alcohol, a trained nurse and Lead Kindly Light," they said.

Hamilton and Barnes, in their "1924 Version of Just Fun" had a number of clever lines and succeeded in pleasing the audience.

Julius Furst juggles himself on a pedestal of blocks and does some difficult stunts. He stages some fakes which make the audience catch their breath.

There will be three shows today, at 2:30, 7:30 and 9:30 p. m.

UNCONSCIOUS 7 WEEKS.

ENID, Okla., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Harold Potter, who was rendered unconscious seven weeks ago tonight when struck by a motor car driven by Harver Pickering, was taken to Kansas City tonight to be placed in a hospital there for treatment. Mrs. Potter never has regained consciousness.

TIRANA, Dec. 26.—A feudal spirit prevailed in this city today following its capture by the rebel forces with former Premier Ahmed Bey Zogu at their head. Zogu made his formal entry to the city this afternoon.

Blind Eye Valuable As Others

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 26.—A workman who loses an eye through an industrial accident even though he is blind in that eye is entitled to compensation under the workmen's compensation law, the Minnesota supreme court held today in affirming the state industrial commission.

The decision was made in the case of N. C. Nongard of Minneapolis, who was denied compensation for loss of an eye in which he had been blind since infancy. He appealed to the industrial commission which awarded him $18 a week for 102 weeks.

The supreme court in affirming the industrial commission today held that "for the removal of a sightless eye, necessitated by an industrial accident, a workman is entitled to receive compensation for the loss of an eye, as provided by the workmen's compensation act."

Salvation Army's Christmas Party Breaks Records

Youngsters Flock to Tree And Entertainment Given For Their Pleasure

The Salvation Army's Christmas party for the poorer youngsters of Wichita Falls surpassed expectations. It had been heralded prior to the occasion as the greatest festivity of its kind ever staged in the city, and the party lived up to and passed all predictions.

More than 2,000 fun makers crowded Seventh street before the citadel where the party was held, and gathered around a huge Christmas tree to participate in the celebration.

Toys and sacks of candy and fruits were given to approximately 1,000 children.

A costume parade was enacted shortly before the party. This was followed by a short Christmas program, and then the presenting of gifts to the children by the Salvation Army took place.

WALL STREET UP AGAIN.

Bullish Sentiment After Christmas Surprises Veteran Traders.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Wall street was treated to another surprise today when the stock market, in defiance of the traditional dull and featureless price movements in the first post-holiday session, developed another burst of bullish enthusiasm under the leadership of the copper shares, which contributed 18 of the 47 new 1924 high records established during the day.

The United States is the world's largest consumer of raw cotton.

She Rides 12 Miles In Frigid Wind On Pilot Of Fast Locomotive—And Lives To Tell It; Woman Is Killed

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 26.—"I've thanked God a thousand times that I'm alive," sobbed Mrs. Mary Clark, 19, as she lay on a hospital cot here today and described a Christmas night ride of twelve miles on the locomotive pilot of the Knickerbocker Special, a fast New York Central train running from Indianapolis to New York. Mrs. Clark was caught on the pilot when the train demolished an automobile at a crossing here, killing one member of her family and injuring two others.

Mrs. Clark's mother-in-law, Mrs. Clyde Clark, died of injuries. Kenneth Clark, 22, husband of Mrs. Mary Clark, and Clyde Clark, Kenneth's father, were injured. "Billy" Hartman, 20 months old nephew of Mrs. Kenneth Clark, escaped uninjured.

"It was the most terrifying experience I ever expect to have," said Mrs. Clark as she told of clinging to the locomotive until she finally became unconscious and was swept off into a ditch where she was found by a farmer who heard her scream.

113 SHOT IN KANSAS CITY

Homicides Leap To More Than Twice Number Of Any Other Year

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—One hundred and thirteen murders in Kansas City for 1924, more than twice as many in any previous year, was the report this afternoon of Dr. H. E. Moss, county coroner. He estimated that more than 50 per cent of the killers went unpunished. The murder peak of fivey ears for the city was 64 in 1922.

POISON HOOTCH GET 2

San Antonio Women Stricken After Taking Christmas Cheer

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 26.—Two women are in a critical condition at a hospital today as a result of drinking poison liquor in Christmas celebration.

One of the women, past 50 years old, was found near death after consuming three pints of hooch and was reported to be still unconscious at noon today.

GOVERNMENT MOVED

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Albanian government has moved from Tirana to Valona, the Albian legation announced today. There was no confirmation of the report that Zogu Bey, rebel chief had occupied Tirana.

Funds for the building of homes for the poor of Pernambuco are being raised by popular subscription.

FORT WORTH LAD DROWNED.

Son of Bank President Goes to Death as Thin Ice Gives Way.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26.—While fifteen of his playmates gued in horror, Willard Bright, 10-year-old son of the president of the Fort Worth State bank dropped through thin ice while skating on the double dum swimming hole and drowned.

Ambulance drivers recovered the body with grappling hooks about five o'clock, one hour after the boy was plunged into the chill waters.

The thing that made mother's cooking superior to the wife's was a kid appetite.

18 BELOW IN BOISE, IDAHO.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 26.—Government thermometers here registered 18 degrees below ero at 8 o'clock this morning. All southwestern Idaho is in the grip of a cold wave. Temperatures reported from other places included: McCall, 30 below; Donnelly, 42 below; Round Valley, 35 below; Caldwell, 34 below, and Pocatello, 15 below.

NEW PLAN FOR PAYING TAXES

In a great number of cases it works a hardship and is often impossible for the taxpayer to meet his taxes in a lump sum as is required in the case of property and personal tax of the state, county, city, school and water improvement district.

These taxes become delinquent after January 31st and thereafter are subject to penalty, costs and interest. These charges run the total up materially.

A plan is now offered by the Wichita Falls Finance company whereby the tax payer can obtain the necessary funds to pay his taxes in full and refund the loan from them in monthly payments.

The cost is considerably less than if one's taxes become delinquent and are unpaid for several months and the fees and interest are added.

They have the funds for this purpose and can give prompt service. Call on them at 806 Eighth street, Kemp Hotel Bldg., and have the method explained.—Adv.

Aspirin Gargle in Tonsilitis

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A harmless and effective gargle is to dissolve two Bayer Tablets of Aspirin in four tablespoonfuls of water, and gargle throat thoroughly. Repeat in two hours if necessary.

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GEN. COCHRAN DIES IN DALLAS

Famous Confederate Soldier Expires as Result of Injuries Sustained in Fall

DALLAS, Dec. 20.—Another soldier of the old south has passed on.

General James Monroe Cochran, 78, commander of the United Confederate Veterans west of the Mississippi with a rank of lieutenant general, died at his home here last night of injuries received when he slipped on the icy pavement a week ago when the first blizzard of the winter struck Dallas. Funeral arrangements were expected to be completed today.

Born on June 1, 1846, at Farmers Franch, 12 miles north of the present city of Dallas, he was said to have been the second white male morn in what is now Dallas county. His birth antedated organization of the county by a month. He joined the confederate army at the age of 16, serving in company I, 30th Texas cavalry, Gano's brigade. He was wounded twice during the war.

COP TURNS PHYSICIAN.

Muskogee Police Chief Stops Hiccoughs in Youth.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 26.—J. C. Woll threatens to become more popular as a physician than as chief of police, his present occupation.

Woll cured George Eubanks, a local youth, yesterday from an attack of hiccoughs from which Eubanks suffered severely for three days. Physicians had failed to relieve him.

Rushing up to Eubanks on the streets, the police chief seized him and hurried a pair of handcuffs on him.

"You come with me," Woll said rather excitedly as he started to the city jail four blocks away.

The prisoner had gone but a block when the hiccoughs left him. Woll noticing his ailment had fled immediately released him.

Woll says his grandmother told him when he was a boy that fright would invariably stop hiccoughs.

VANZETTI MAY BE INSANE.

To Conduct Investigation Into Mental Order d Sayer.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Counsel for Bartolomeo Vanzetti, convicted with Nicola Sacco as the slayer of a paymaster and guard in South Braintree in April, 1920, cited today on reports that he was under observation at the Charlestown state prison hospital as to his sanity. William G. Thompson, chief counsel for Sacco and Vanzetti, said he had learned of Vanzetti's condition through newspaper reports and planned to make a personal investigation immediately.

"I am going to the prison today," he said. This will probably mean that we will ask for a commission of alienists to observe Vanzetti's condition and report to the courts."

Prison authorities refused to discuss the case, but it was learned that for some time the prisoner had been obsessed with the idea that he was being prosecuted and followed about.

MANY VISITING ROME.

Streams of Faithful Pass Through Holy Door in St. Peters.

ROME, Dec. 26.—Streams of faithful were still pouring today through the holy door in St. Peters opened by Pope Pius on Christmas eve in inaugurating the year of jubilee. Each one passing through kissed the side posts from which the door had been removed.

It is estimated that 60,000 persons visited the great shrine of the church on Christmas day, the exalted and the humble mingling democratically.

Among those seen passing through the door were Princess Stephanie, daughter of the late King Leopold of Belgium, and her husband, Prince Lonyay.

INVESTIGATING KANSAS U.

Governor to Make Public His Findings in State University.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 26.—An important decision is expected to be announced tomorrow by Governor J. M. Davis as a result of the recent inquiry into affairs of the state university.

Asked concerning a rumor that he will request the state board of administration to ask for Chancellor E. H. Lindley's resignation, Governor Davis said:

"You seem to have the right hunch, but I will not make any announcement until tomorrow, possibly not then. I have my mind pretty well made up in the matter, but I may be convinced I am on the wrong side."

POISON BOOZE TAKES TOLL.

Three Dead, 30 Others Hurt as Result of Holiday Drinking Sprees.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Three men are dead, 31 others are ill in Bellevue hospital and the police court calendars are crowded as a result of the liquor drinking yesterday in this city in celebration of Christmas. In addition to the dead and sick between 40 and 50 persons are in the accident ward of Bellevue from injuries sustained in fights or falls due to liquor.

Yesterday's fatalities increased to 34 the number of deaths in the city from poison liquor during the month.

MISS WHEELER DEAD.

Prominent Red Cross Worker Expires in Louisiana Home.

WHEELER STATION, La., Dec. 26.—Miss Lucy L. Wheeler, eldest daughter of Geenral Joseph Wheeler, confederate cavalry leader, and herself a prominent Red Cross and welfare worker, died here yesterday.

At her bedside were her sisters, Miss Annie M. Wheeler, Mrs. W. J. Harris and Mrs. Gordon M. Buck of New York, and her brother-in-law, Senator W. J. Harris of Georgia. Funeral arrangements have been held up pending arrival of her brother, Colonel Joseph Wheeler of the United States army from New York.

WEATHER CLAIMS VICTIMS.

Three Dead in Colorado as Result of Cold Weather.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26.—Three additional deaths resulting from sub-zero temperatures in the Rocky mountain region were reported today.

The frozen bodies of Leona Washington, 22, and her 15-year-old sister, Audrey, negroes, were found by the roadside nine miles east of Modol, Colo., late yesterday. The girls perished during their trip afoot to the homestead of their mother ten miles from Modol.



FOURTEENTH DEATH AT AIR STATION DRAWS PROBE—The fourteenth death in recent months at the naval aviation station at San Diego, Cal., caused the government to investigate the materials furnished the air service in general and the condition of equipment at the naval station. The photo shows the crumpled wreckage of the seaplane which recenly fell off San Diego, causing the death of five men.

Mrs. Sweetin In Tears On Grave Of Dead Husband

Hysterical as Sheriff Carries Her From Snow-Clad Mound in Cemetery

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Dec. 26.—How Mrs. Elsie Sweetin, who was found guilty by a jury here Wednesday for the poison murder of her husband, Wilford Sweetin, threw herself in the snow upon her husband's grave Christmas eve, was told today by Sheriff Grant Holcomb, who took the woman to Benton where she is held in jail pending disposition of her motion for a new trial.

As the motor car in which Mrs. Sweetin was driven to Benton reached the cemetery at Ina she begged the sheriff to stop and let her visit the grave of her husband. The sheriff at first declined, but Mrs. Sweetin implored him to grant the request, asserting it probably would be her last chance to visit the cemetery.

The sheriff then consented and ordered the car stopped while he and Mrs. Sweetin walked through the snow into the little village cemetery. When she reached the grave of Wilford Sweetin she threw herself across the snow covered mound, sobbing and crying that she was innocent and, although convicted, had not poisoned her husband.

Mrs. Sweetin refused to leave and the sheriff was forced to carry her from the scene. She was hysterical when she again entered the car, but gained her usual composcure before she reached Benton.

Mrs. Sweetin was senteneed to 35 years in prison and Lawrence M. Hight was given a life sentence by the jury which tried them jointly.

POSTMASTER IS SLAIN.

CHARLESTON, Miss., Dec. 26.—James W. Ashcraft, postmaster here, was shot and killed last night by Lew Houston, traveling salesman for a Memphis chemical concern, in a crowded barber shop.

The shooting is said to have resulted from ill feeling existing between the two men for several years.

Ashcraft's father was killed under similar circumstances on another Christmas eve 42 years ago.

Children's Cross Word Puzzle



How to Solve Puzzle.

The words start in the numbered squares and run either across or down. Only one letter is placed in each white square. If the proper words are found each combination of letters in the white squares will form words. The key to the puzzle—the first word—is given in the drawing. Below are keys to the other words.

(Running Across.)

Word 1 what the Scotchman is playing.

Word 4 the missing word in the sentence: "Give me Liberty——give me death!"

Word 6 what folks put at the bottom of a letter when they want to add something.

Word 7 very big.

(Running Down.)

Word 1 a small animal that hops.

Word 2 the opposite of down.

Word 3 one direction of the compass.

Word 5 short way of writing railroad.

Word 6 what father is often called.

AQUATIC ENGAGEMENT.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The engagement of Miss Olive Holland, women's swimming champion at the half mile and fancy diving title holder also, to Wilburn Cox, assistant life saving instructor of the Boston chapter, American Red Cross, is announced.

Drake's Path On High Seas To Be Sailed Once More

Britishers to Make Trip in Sailing Vessel—Maybe In Five Years

LONDON, Dec. 26. —(AP)—Sailing over the seas in the wake of Drake and in a schooner hardly larger than the one commanded by that sea rover is the feat to be attempted by a group of adventureous 20th century Englishmen.

An expedition of 14 men under command of Captain Norman Wilkin of the Royal Naval Reserve, will sail in the three-masted frigate "Marian" on New Year's day from Appledore, the Devonshire port where Drake weighed anchor many years ago.

Captain Wilkin will follow minutely the route of his illustrious countryman around the dangerous straits of Magellan and up the Pacific coast. He and his comrades seek to prove that adventure is not entirely confined to the screen and the stage.

Time is no object and Wilkin told friends "we may see you again in five years."

SHE ASKS ALIMONY.

Rhinelander's Bride Seeks Temporary Payment Pending Suit.

WHIE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Counsel for Alice Jones Rhinelander today sought before Supreme Court Justice Tompkins $350 a month temporary alimony for their client pending trial of the suit brought by her husband, Leonard Kip Rhinelander, to annul their marriage of last October 14.

The annulment suit is based on charges that young Mrs. Rhinelander and her parents fraudulently represented her to be of white blood whereas she was part negro.

The wife's attorney said that although Rhinelander already possessed $580,000 in property, and was prospective heir to some millions, his income was only $18,000 a year of which he spent $2,000.

Counsel for Rhinelander protested that $200 a month would be ample alimony.

He's All Mixed Up With Marital Knots And Ties

An Oklahoma Clerk Takes Brides in Fast and Furious Fashion

MIAMI, Okla., Dec. 26. — George M. Henderson, recently resigned court clerk of Ottawa county, has added another phase to his already complicated matrimonial record it was disclosed today when it was learned that he had remarried his divorced wife, Mrs. Stella Henderson, Wednesday night.

Henderson married Miss Ethel McGrew, deputy in his office, at Joplin, Mo., October 23 of this year, less than two months after he had been divorced from his first wife. Lawyers expressed the opinion today that this marriage was void from the fact that it occurred before the six-month period prescribed by a state law had expired. The second wife, whose resignation was asked on the ground that her employment in the office of her husband violated the state nepotism law, went to the home of her parents in Portland, Ore., after her resignation.

Henderson was arrested after he was alleged to have hinted he would harm himself and was released into his first wife's custody at her request. An audit of his books was required by state officials by the county commissioners of Ottawa county.

CONTINUANCE GRANTED.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 26.—Judge T. Blake Kennedy today granted a continuance until March 9 of the trial of government's suit in equity for annulment of the Mammoth Oil company's lease on the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve.

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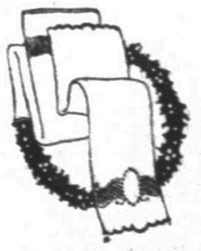
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SPEAKING OF THE TICK

Former Governor James E. Ferguson is quoted as having said the present tick law is wholly inadequate and not only that but it is unenforceable in the courts as has been proved time and again in test cases. He wants a law with teeth in it so that the man who violates the law in bringing tick infested cattle into clean territory can be sent to jail and his cattle can be confiscated.

"It is a fact that we have been bluffing in the past," declared the former governor, "and have been without power to punish violators of the cattle tick law and nearly everybody now knows it, but bluffing won't work any longer. We favor compulsory tick eradication for the whole of Texas wherever it may be needed, but fifty or more counties in east and southeast Texas are broke or nearly so on account of spending a lot of money in futile attempts to stamp out the Texas cattle fever tick and they are tired of getting nothing for their money. Lack of funds forced us to make a start at the Colorado river."

As all the people of Texas are to be taxed to provide money for the eradication of the tick why shouldn't all the counties on both sides of the Colorado river be given equal protection in the war that is to be made on the tick?

It is said that the Texas fever tick has cost the cattle men of Texas fifty millions of dollars in as many years. It is said that the federal bureau of animal industry favors compulsory tick dipping. It is further said that unless the state enacts a compulsory dipping law that will run the gauntlet of the courts federal aid will be withdrawn.

It will be up to the lawmakers under the Big Dome this winter. After the lawmakers have had their say it will be up to the freightpayers of the commonwealth. Jones carries the load and he never knows whether he is dipped or undipped.

HIGH PRICED CORN THE CAUSE.

By far the greatest number of hogs ever received in Chicago—122,000 head—arrived there on the morning of December 14. This, with 8,000 hogs left over from December 13 made the total on the market 130,000. Prior to this the biggest number of hogs arriving in Chicago in one day was 100,000. An immediate drop of twenty-five cents in the hundred weight resulted.

Extreme scarcity and high prices of corn was the reason assigned for the extraordinary influx of hogs on the market, although the corn crop of 1924 was one of the largest ever harvested. Despite all this more prosperity is in sight for the swine breeders according to the economists and the hog situation is tending toward an ultimately higher price level. How come?

HAVE YOU BEEN TOLD.

That life insurance now in force in the United States totals 120 billion dollars?

That 150 Americans are insured for a million dollars each and that Rodman Wanamaker, who was the first man to take out a million dollar policy, is insured for more than six million dollars?

That Secretary Wilbar of the navy department says this government would have to spend $110,000,000 annually for the next twenty years on the navy if it were to be maintained on an equal footing in all branches with that of Great Britain and superior to that of Japan?

That President Coolidge is said to be violently opposed to larger appropriations for military purposes and will stand pat on his economy program?

That the real estate holdings of Henry Ford are now valued at well above fifty million dollars?

That Secretary A. W. Mellon says untaxed securities are a menace to the prosperity of the United States and represent an investment of more than twenty billion dollars on the part of the rich men of the republic?

What Today Means to You

CAPRICORN

The aspect of Venus square Mars developing in the early morning is rather unfavorable for business matters, especially those related to finance or to art, and indicate a disposition to quarrel with the opposite sex. Vibrations considerably improve thereafter and will encourage all sorts of legitimate business aggression and forcefulness and the opportunity is an auspicious one for attention to important correspondence, for the preparation of contracts or agreements, and for any movement that has for its object the extension or broadening of your customary activities. The evening is favorable for social entertainment and family amenities.

A child born today will be weak and frail at birth, but with well regulated nutrition and plenty of outdoor air will develop into normally healthy childhood. It will possess a keen mind, shrewd judgment and much ability. It will be an omnivorous reader and a fluent conversationalist. It will not be demonstrative nor confiding, although its love will be fervent, and its friends many. It will be dependable, trustworthy, faithful, and always discreet.

If today is your birthday, you are accurate, calm, considerate, kindly and optimistic. You are ambitious, persevering and determined, and no ordinary reverse will discourage you. You love your home above everything. You are very affectionate and demonstrative, and fond of children.

You are possibly a little too hopeful, and do not seem to realize that some of your plans for the future are castles in the air. Your optimism—of which you have more than your share—very frequently perverts your usually good judgment. You waste a great deal of effort in dreaming of probabilities, and thereby neglect possibilities.

Successful people born on this date are:

Nicholas J. Roosevelt, inventor; William Allen, U. S. senator; Roger N. Stembel, naval officer; Lucius Fairchild, statesman; John S. Wise, lawyer and author.

More Truth Than Poetry

OVERDOING IT

I've lately learned that Paul Revere
  Was not the lad who gave the warning
Which roused the farmers, far and near
  To fight the British troops next morning.
Historians deny to Paul
  The slightest claim to any glory;
They say his well-known ride was all
  A fairy story.

The kite that young Ben Franklin flew,
  When but a kid of six or seven,
Which pierced the clouds above him through,
  And brought the lightning down from heaven,
Would not by any means avail
  The mildest thunderclap to carry.
Historians proclaim that tale
  Imaginary.

If this keeps on from year to year,
  The noble figures of the nation
And their great deeds will disappear—
  All victims of investigation.
Of our ideals we'll be bereft,
  Our heroes one by one will perish,
And soon we will have nothing left
  That we can cherish.

Historians must be exact
  And tell the truth without restriction;
Their business is to hunt down fact
  And frown upon romance and fiction.
But when the past I contemplate,
  As they have made it—tame and prosy—
I think they have become of late
  A bit too nosey.

THOUGHTFUL OF HIM

The governor of a great eastern state has liberated all criminals. They probably wanted a chance to get a little Christmas money.

NOT WISELY USED

A time saving device isn't always a dime saving device.

HE'S ALWAYS ORIGINAL

Maybe Mr. Dawes will think up a new oath of office.

By Dr. Frank Crane

BORED WITH PANTS

Mr. William Allen White, who was defeated in the recent election, expressed himself in an interview as thinking that civilization does such queer things once in a while because it is bored with pants.

Every once in a while men put on rooster feathers and night shirts, and go capering all over the cow pasture, in order to get a thrill.

This is but a part of man's rebellion against the boredom of civilization.

He says, when Eve put aside the salad with which she decorated herself, and put on camisoles and cosmetics, woman has ever since expressed herself by the outlet of clothes. She wears all sorts of variagated garments, and thinks and talks about them.

But Adam put on pants, which are the most undecorative things. And ever since, mankind has been rebelling against the prosiness of pants.

Under our present civilization, man has to work like the devil, which is not natural. During past ages he has been a beach-comber, and was a beach-comber much longer than he has worn pants, and every once in a while he has an impulse to comb the beach again, and get rid of his pants.

This is the reason that Americans are so much interested in elections. They don't care very much who is elected, but they like to go out and get on a jamboree once in a while, just to blow off steam.

When we join a fraternal order, we point to the benevolent insurance and say it is for the good of the family. Really it is for the good of ourselves. We like rooster feathers.

Light wines and beer might help Americans some, if we could stop with them. But we can't. An American can't sit down up a cafe at five o'clock in the morning, as the Frenchman can, and be content with two glasses of wine. The American wants to get drunk. Whether it is in our climate, or our blood, or our race makes no difference. It is a fact.

When Kansas prohibits so much in human nature, such as cigarettes, punch bowls and gambling, the spirit which it suppresses in many ways bob up in another. That is the reason for the Ku Klux Klan.

The trouble with us is lack of self-expression. Men must cut loose in some way or other. The taking away of the means of self-expression without giving a substitute explains the cause of our secret societies.

Mr. White added that he had to be careful of his voice, which has been giving out recently in the middle of his speeches, and he has had to stand there and just make gestures. But the people seemed to like that about as well as his noise.

Sub Rosa

LOOKING BACKWARD

I suppose all of us can look back over last year and see hundreds of mistakes we have made.

And I suppose everyone else, like myself, will make a resolve to repeat none of those mistakes.

One thing I am going to do, and I think it would be a good plan for everyone to follow my example and that is to check up on all the unnecessary worry I had last year—to check up on all the thoughts I wasted on worrying about things that never happened.

It is bad enough to cry over spilt milk. But many of us do worse—we cry over milk that we think is going to be spilt.

I can't think of a better resolve to make than to try to cut out dread of the future. Surely last year brought all of us many blessings—and the next year that is approaching so rapidly should bring us many more.

I am reminded of a little poem that might help you to greet the New Year, next week, with courage and faith:

LIFE

All in the dark we grope along,
And if we go amiss
We learn at least which path is wrong,
And there is gain in this.

We do not always win the race
By only running right,
We have to tread the mountain's base
Before we reach its height.

Some souls there are that needs must taste
Of wrong, ere choosing right;
We should not call those years a waste
Which lead us to the light.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Pointed Paragraphs

Congressman Hill's wine contained 13 per cent cent of alcohol. The other 87 per cent was advertising.

The theory of evolution offers some hope, anyway. We may yet develop something worth while.

Names mean little. The man who named it the Pacific got killed in a row out there.

Unhappy world! There are only 357,643 people who know how to raise children and they haven't any.

The superiority complex means only that the owner hasn't been associating with people who amount to much.

Another Failure to Jump It



Dorothy Dix

How Can She Learn to Talk Interestingly?—The Wife Who Submits to Abuse—Do Too Many Kisses Before Marriage Mean Too Few After?

My Dear Miss Dix—I am a young married woman, good-looking, good dresser, can sing, dance, play piano, violin, saxophone. But there is one thing missing. I have never been able to acquire the art of conversation. I am not bashful, but I just cannot say anything worth while or interesting. My husband is just the opposite. He can talk on any subject, while I sit around like a dumb-bell. If I only had a book from which to study conversation I would feel myself on the level with my associates; but as things are now I am lost, and every time I find myself in need of small talk I could scream for mercy

DISHEARTENED.

Answer:

I do not believe that any school of correspondence can teach you the art of conversation, nor can any book be a handy manual of what to say and how to say it, because all good talk has to be spontaneous—something that springs to the lips at the minute. You cannot even think out what you are going to say to people, because everything depends on the time and place and circumstances.

Certainly, nothing else in the world is so boring as the stilted efforts of people who talk to you as if they were discoursing from a platform. I once knew a woman who handed out this particular brand of canned conversation. She had studied up about the Lake Poets, and two minutes after you had met her, by hook or crook, she would drag in her topic and deliver a lecture upon it that reduced everybody within ear-shot to tears.

It is the same way about memorizing jokes. You have heard people repeat the witticisms they had culled out of the funny papers, and you have seen how flat they fall. You are no more at home, and look no more natural in other people's thoughts and other people's jokes than you would be in borrowed clothes.

To be a fluent talker is a gift of the gods. You have either got the knack of it or you haven't got it, and that is all there is to it. But you make a mistake in yearning to be a conversationalist in a world that is overfull of people enamored of the sound of their own voices. What there is a great and crying need for is not more spellbinders, but more silent people.

You think you bore people by not talking? Believe me, you are giving them the time of their lives, because you probably are the first person they ever met who didn't interrupt their monologues by foolish chatter. Ninety-nine people out of a hundred are human phonographs that never run down, and when they find an individual like you, who just sits still and listens, they grapple her to them with hooks of steel.

I will bet you are an extremely popular person, that you are much sought after socially and that you are generally considered most interesting. And it is all because you don't talk. You just listen.

It is a great talent to be a gifter listener. Cultivate that instead of trying to acquire the art of conversation, which is greatly overdone, anyway.

DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—I have two friends, both in their twenties. The husband professes to love his wife, yet he goes out nearly every night and leaves her alone, frankly admitting that he amuses himself with other women; that he drinks and gambles. The wife is crazily in love with her husband. She keeps her house beautifully and does everything to make him comfortable. She also is in business, and when her husband has wasted his money on his dissipations she helps him out with her salary.

They have frightful scenes, for when he comes home at 2:30 in the morning the wife greets him with a little cave-woman stuff. It does no good. He goes his own way, regardless of her feelings, trampling upon her bleeding heart and literally killing her, and yet she stays on. What is the good? And can anything be done for her?

C. R.

Answer:

Absolutely nothing. That sort of a woman is hopeless. I have seen them in police courts drag their ragged shawls across their bruised breasts where they had been beaten by brutes of husbands, and lie about having fallen over a chair and hurt themselves.

The trouble with women like this is that they rave neither the courage to fight nor to endure. I hold that only two courses are open to a woman. One is to get up and leave a bad husband, and the other is, if she elects to stick to him, to be a good sport and take her punishment without bowling about it.

I believe that if a man has got a particle of affection for his wife that she can come nearer to fanning it into flame by showing some spirit and independence than she can by tamely submitting to ill treatment, for we all not only instinctively despise those who let us trample upon them, but we come to hate those whom we wrong. We can forgive those who injure us, but we never forgive the people we injure.

If a husband cares for his wife, he will reform rather than lose her. If he doesn't care for her, and his neglects and insults are only the expression of his dislike toward her, she is a crazy creature to hang on to him, and it is the part of wisdom for her to go away where she will not be tortured daily with seeing his misconduct. Her only chance of peace and happiness is for her to put him out of her life.

If she would rather stay with him and be kicked about like a dog, then she should be fair enough to play the game and let him go his way unmolested.

The best sport I ever knew was a woman married to a drunkard, who would go down to the gutter and bring him home with her, and would put him to bed and put iced cloths on his head without ever uttering a reproach. "I took the chance," she used to say. "I knew he was a drunkard when I married him." DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Dorothy Dix—My fiance is very affectionate and demonstrative, and although I love him very much I never show that I do. I believe that too many kisses before marriage will mean no more kisses after marriage. I am afraid that before long we will both be tired of so much love and romance. Don't you think I am right? ENGAGED.

Answer:

You certainly are, Miss Solomon. Monsieur Beaucaire said that every man's ideal woman was one who was snow and ice to all the world, but fire to him. That holds even in an engagement.

Every lover values his sweetheart just a little bit more if she still holds aloof, and he has to woo her a little, and beg for a kiss, instead of having her throw herself at him and smother him with caresses. As long as human nature lasts, the peachiest peach will still be the one that is highest on the tree.

As regards the domestic brand of kisses, my own theory is that it is a mistake to make kissing as much a part of the daily routine as washing your face or eating your cereal. It is because husbands and wives are expected to kiss when they part and when they meet that conjugal kisses have no flavor. Better one kiss a year, full of passion and love, than 365 pecks of duty on the cheek.

If we would only just nibble at love and romance, instead of trying to make a whole meal on it, it would last longer. DOROTHY DIX.

HOW IT STARTED

The ivy and the holly which enter so largely into our decorations at this season are no exception to the fact that the larger part of our Christmas customs are of pagan origin. Evergreens adorned the temples and the homes of the Romans during their Saturnalia: also, they have come down to us directly from the dryad worshipping Britons, who observed a yearly winter festival at just this time.

As a reminder to deck their homes in evergreens so that the sylvan spirits might abide with them and protect them against the blasts of winter, the Druids priests at this season sent to each hut in their vicinity a "spray of holly, ivy, laurel, box or mistletoe.

When Christianity came the clergy made strenuous efforts, we learn, to abolish the use of these pagan symbols at Christmas time, particularly to keep them out of the churches, but to no avail. And now it would not be Christmas without the ivy and the holly and the mistletoe.

WALTERS BIRDS COP PRIZES

They Win in Poultry Show At Comanche County, Oklahoma

WALTERS, Okla., Dec. 26.—Announcement of the principal winners at the Comanche county poultry show have been made and Cotton county proved to have the best showing of birds.

Arthur W. Graham, poultry fancier of Walter, captured the silver cup offered by the Comanche county poultry association for the best pen in the show, all classes competeing. Mr. Graham is a breeder of the Silver Comb Rock Island Red stock.

D. W. Oliver of Walters, was Winner of the silver cup for best hen in the show. He exhibited a dark Cornish bird.

Arthur Graham captured his second cup for the best display in the show room, all classes competing.

HE SAVED MAIL CARGO.

Gilbert Pulls Switches That Prevent Destruction of Christmas Mail.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 26.—Before air Mail Pilot Clarence Gilbert leaped to his death from his plane over Kanesville, Ill., last Sunday night he pulled the electric switches in the ship and saved his cargo of mail from destruction, Carl F. Egge, general superintendent of the air mail service, declared today after he received reports of investigations into the crash.

Pantomime

—By J. H. Striebel



Briefs in the Days News

CRIME

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—Felix LaRoh, 19, was arrested by city detectives today and charged with murder as a result of the fatal shooting of Jesus Gomez, 22, Mexican, whose body was found lying on the right of way of the International Great Northern railroad early today.

JENNINGS, Okla., Dec. 26.—Two young unmasked men robbed the First National Bank of Jennings of approximately $2000 at noon today after locking the assistant cashier and a customer in a vault.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—New Jersey is the wettest state in the union, William H. Walker, assistant to Chief Enforcement Agent E. C. Yellowley, in command of the New York-New Jersey area, said today.

His squad has made 67 raids and seizures in New Jersey in the last few days.

OLEAN, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Chief of Police Dempsey today was awaiting word from Columbia, Miss., of the arrest of Mrs. Hilma Ensminger on a warrant charging attempted murder, first degree, in connection with sending poisoned candy through the mails. The warrant was mailed here Christmas eve to Sheriff Branton.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Moy Quong, wealthy laundry owner shot in what is believed to be a renewal of a long feud, died from wounds in a hospital today. Before his death he is said to have identified Wong War as his assailant and Harry Lee as Wong's companion in the affair. They are in custody.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 26.—Police are holding a guest at a hotel here following the death yesterday of A. P. Oliver, a deputy sheriff of Washita county, Oklahoma, who was found shot in his room. Oliver, a former resident of Floresville, Texas, came here on his way to that town, 30 miles south of here, to spend Christmas.

QUEBEC, Dec. 26.—Mounted police today arrested T. Mamslin on a charge of complicity in the counterfeiting of $10 United States bills which the authorities charge have been circulated throughout this part of Canada and in some parts of the United States the past few weeks.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Fifty armed bandits Wednesday night derailed a Laredo to Mexico City passenger train at El Cobre, south of Calitllo, killed a woman passenger and the six soldiers of the guard and sacked the express car, according to press dispatches from Saltillo. Several passengers were wounded in the fight, in which the soldier guard put up gallant, but futile resistance.

DOMESTIC

DUNKUM, Ills., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Cecelia R. Herod, 66, Miss Russie Herod and Dorothy Brooks, 3, were burned to death today when a kitchen stove in which coal oil had been poured exploded and set the home of W. C. Brooks, a farmer, in flames.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Kansas City Kan., police will be supplied with bullet-proof vests next year, Mayor W. W. Gordon announced today. The decision to pursue the bullet-proof vests resulted from the fatal shooting of R. M. Markl, a detective, by boy robbers.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 26.—Four persons were killed today at a grade crossing when a passenger train crashed into their automobile. The dead: Elijah Wilson, 53, his wife, Gladys, 28; daughter, Marporie, 10, and Elijah's brother, Harry, 25.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 26.—An embargo against shipments of live poultry into or through Arkansas from all states on account of the prevalence of European fowl pest in several central and eastern states was issued today by Dr. J. R. Fux, state veterinarian.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—George C. Lucas, director of transportation for the National Publishers' Association, told the joint postoffice subcommittee today that second class mail matter, consisting of newspapers and periodicals, had been charged with unjust cost allocations in the postoffice department cost ascertainment report.

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 26.—Vibration, believed here to be earth tremors and strong enough to shake pictures from walls, knock vases from tables and rock buildings, were felt in Roanoke and vicinity late last night. A watchman in a silk mill reported that the floor of the brick building he was patrolling trembled and furniture rattled about.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Publication of the November earnings report of the Missouri Pacific railroad showing gross incomes for that month of $11,239,977, an increase of $946,163 over the corresponding month last year, and net income of $1,784,253, an increase of $482,801, created a cheerful feeling among Wall street brokers who had been surprised and disappointed earlier in the week by the Union Pacific report showing declines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The department of justice expects to make no further move in the investigation of affairs in the office of United States Attorney Wilme of New Jersey until Attorney General Stone returns next week.

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Two men lost their lives when fire swept through the Washington hotel, a workmen's lodging house, early today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Directors of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey today declared an extra dividend of $2 in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of that amount, both payable January 15 to stock of record January 5. Similar dividends were declared on June 26 and January 15 of this year.

ELIZABETH, N. J. Dec. 26.—Daniel E. Lester, 86, engineer on the Monitor in its famous battle with the Merrimac, died last night of pneumonia. Before becoming engineer of the Monitor during the civil war he was an engineer on a Mississippi river train transport.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26.—C. T. Collins, 76, chairman of the board of directors, Standard Oil company of Kentucky, died at his home here yesterday.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 26.—James G. Rice, 69, former editor of the Chattanooga News and well known southern journalist, died yesterday at Alexandria, La., from a stroke of apoplexy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Colonel William Otway Owen, army medical corps, retired, brother of Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma, died suddenly of heart trouble here last night.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 26.—James William Burns, 75, superintendent of the National Cemetery in Memphis, died at his home here yesterday following a heart attack. Mr. Burns served in the union army during the civil war, being a drummer boy in the 10th Michigan infantry.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Two boys were drowned, several persons injured and citrus crop damage estimated at $100,000 was reported from southern California today as the result of cold weather which forced the thermometer below zero at points in California, Oregon, Washington and Nevada.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 26.—Father Thomas P. Hayden, chaplain at the Atlanta penitentiary, was withdrawn by the Right Rev. M. J. Keyes, bishop of Savannah, because of his connection with the grand jury investigation of graft and bribery charges against former officials of the institution, a statement received here disclosed today.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 26.—James Wilchen, 72, is dead at Delta, Utah. He slipped and fell on an icy sidewalk late yesterday and was frozen to death before he was found.

STATE

HUNTSVILLE, Texas, Dec. 26.—R. W. Brahan, former state prison commissioner, died here this morning.

In his early business life Mr. Brahan was connected with Cunningham Sugar company, now the Imperial Sugar company of Sugarland, an institution founded by his uncle, the late Colonel Ed Cunningham.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A memorial thanking President Coolidge and Secretary Hughes "for emphatic denial of malevolent rumors" in regard to the nation's relations with Japan was received at the white house today from the federal council of churches, prepared on behalf of the commission on international justice and good will and the national committee on American-Japanese relations.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26.—The board of directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will meet here in January to consider legislative matters, it was announced today by Homer D. Wade, assistant manager. The chief subject of the conference is to be the appropriation for the Texas Technical College at Lubbock.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—The body of Sydney Hawkins was found in a cistern in Hill county yesterday during the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Nannie Arnido Anderson. Apparently the brother had fallen in the cistern the night before.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 26.—The attorney general today received $20,025 from the Merchants and Planters Bank of Clay county in payment of the state's share of an agreed judgment against the bank in a suit brought by Clay county and the state to recover public funds on deposit when the concern liquidated about a year ago.

AUSTIN, Dec. 26.—Appointment of George E. Christian of Burnet, to be an assistant attorney general was announced today by Dan Moody, attorney general-elect. Mr. Christian has been district attorney of the 33rd district for five years. He is a graduate of the University of Texas.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 26.—Carbon monoxide poisoning from inhaling gas fumes caused the death of Mrs. Sophia Schnelle, 75, and her son, August, 52, found lying in their home here last Tuesday. A daughter of the dead woman, Miss Agnes Schnelle, is slowly recovering at a hospital, having been unconscious when found.

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 26.—Fire starting in a vacant house early today destroyed half a block of buildings at Humble, 18 miles northeast of here. Some intruder, seeking shelter from the cold in the building, is thought to have started the blaze in an effort to keep warm.

FOREIGN

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Great Britain has declared an embargo on American potatoes. The ministry of agriculture, in an order issued today, states that "for the prevention of the introduction of the Colorado beetle, the landing in England and Wales of any potatoes grown in the United States is prohibited."

GENEVA, Dec. 26.—Transportation of the Holy Year Pilgrims to Rome is a problem which has necessitated the assembling of an international conference of railroad men here. It has been found necessary to schedule from 150 to 200 special trains.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—Appointment of a Mexican ambassador to the United States is still undecided and the foreign office is refusing to make statements regarding the matter. Recurrent reports carried by the newspapers since December 13 regarding the possibility of the appointment of Manuel Tellez, now chargeaffaires at Washington, have neither been denied nor confirmed by the foreign office.

TOKIO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Two leaders of a gang of political rowdies who were arrested after they had stopped the American colony dance at the hotel Imperial on June 7 as a protest against the passage of the Japanese exclusion clause in the American immigration bill, were discharged by a criminal court today because of insufficient evidence.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Officers to the inter-allied control commission have discovered in Berlin a depot of rifle and machine gun barrels, the Echo de Paris learns from an "incontrovertible informant" in Germany. An inventory now being taken has accounted for 40,000 barrels and it is expected that the total will reach 100,000. The depot was found in a cunningly devised hiding place.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The Mexican consul at McAllen, Texas, has notified the foreign office that American companies recently acquired extensive tracts of land on the right bank of the Bravo river, which is prohibited by the Mexican constitution.

(The Rio Grande is also known in Mexico as the Bravo del Norte.)

Uncommon Sense

By JOHN BLAKE

The average reader will answer that morality is chastity.

A few will say that it is not only chastity but temperance.

Now and then one will be found who will include people who do not steal of commit murder.

But to most English speaking people, it never occurs to call anyone immoral who is not loose in his behavior toward the other sex.

Even the drunkard is not called immoral if he behaves himself in this respect.

The fact that immorality has been narrowed as a definition of one or possibly two kinds of misbehavior shows rather an alarming tolerance of very serious misdoing.

Why should not the cheat be called immoral?

He constantly violates the rules of right conduct, and morality is nothing else.

Why should not the skinflint who takes advantages of the unfortunate to get the best of them in a business deal be called immoral?

Why should not the scandal monger, and the backbiter, and the malicious gossip be called immoral?

Certainly the things these people do are not right conduct. Often they make more trouble for others, and bring about fully as much misery in the world as the immorality which is called by its right name.

There is one reason for this failure to apply the word to many sorts of behavior which it perfectly fits.

All these so-called minor misdoings are so prevalent, that we have gone to regard them as mere pecaddilles, and to consider that those guilty of them, if they refrain from liquor, and do not get involved in divorce scandals, are after all pretty fair citizens.

The drunkard is ostracized from society.

The man or woman who figures in a sensational divorce suit is looked on askance by the right-minded.

But the mean-souled liar who villifies people behind their backs—the greedy note shaver who makes an opportunity of the necessities of the poor, the ruthless scoundrel who takes advantage of his fellow men—all these are held to be good citizens and worthy of membership in church as well as in good society, merely because these are two forms of sin which they do not happen to commit.

And these people, from the safe protection of the place in life which is foolishly accorded them, are the first to cry out against the drunkard and the other offender we have mentioned, because they know that their own standing depends upon their ability to make two particular kinds of rascality—if one can call drunkenness rascality—the only varieties that are not to be tolerated.

At least three-quarters of the misery and unhappiness in the world are brought about by people who would be filled with holy horror if you called them immoral. Yet they are just as immoral as any other evil doers, just as culpable, just as harmful to society.

It is time they were finding it out. Toleration is well enough, but there is no necessity of condoning malicious and premeditated evil doing.

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HOMES TO BE BUILT WITH LEAN PURSES

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

In previous articles we have told you how to reduce home building costs by reducing quantities. There is still another way open for you to lessen costs and that is the matter of qualities.

It is not wise to cut down the quality of anything that goes into a house to a point where durability is sacrificed or even mildly threatened. There are, however, certain sacrifices that can be made within the limits of good building that will still give you a good house.

Where to Reduce Qualities

To illustrate in a rather ridiculous way, you could get silver plated bathroom fixtures, where nickel plate would do. You could have quarter sawed white oak flooring where plain common oak or maple of the second grade or yellow pine would serve quite as well. You could have hand wrought lighting fixtures where the stock forms of spun brass would serve every purpose and have fine appearances. You could have a stone or tile roof, but you may only have a wooden pocketbook. You can spend $60 or more per thousand for face brick, but your dealer will show you an excellent quality of face brick at about half this price. You can have doors and trim and the woodwork generally throughout the house of hardwood or of soft wood, and there is a different price for everything of this kind that you use. Plumbing equipment, paints, enamels, all come in various qualities and at various prices.

As a matter of fact, absolutely every one of the materials that go into your house may be had in a long array of qualities. The fact we want you to see is that you do not have to have the highest grade in every case in order to secure satisfactory durability, and, as a further matter of fact, the highest grade is not necessarily the most pleasing to see.

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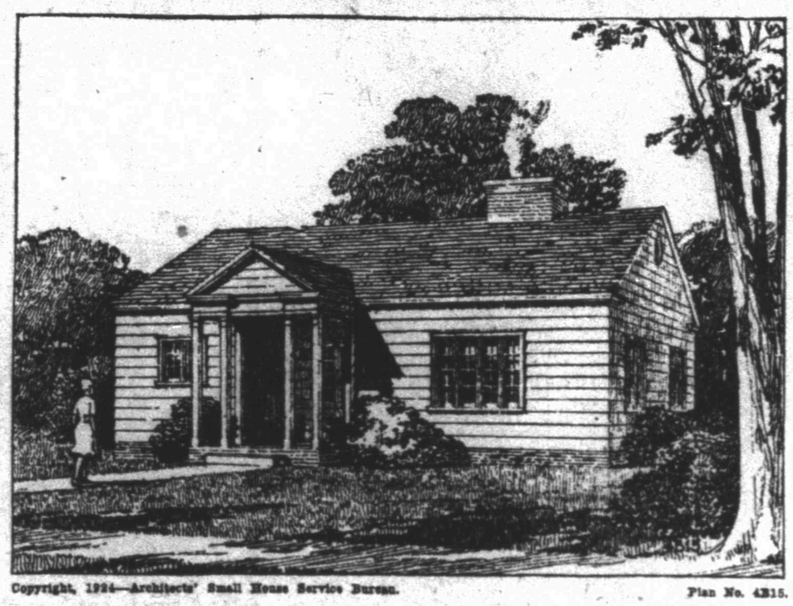
If you will sit down with one of your friends who happens to be a technically trained man, or a contractor of long experience in building fine houses, you can learn a whole lot about these different qualities of materials that will certainly be entertaining to you—things which if you will put into execution will save you many, many dollars.

The best person you can possibly interview in this connection is an architect, because he is the man whose especial problem is to know all about materials. Most architects are as anxious as you are to get the lowest possible prices on materials and to build your home within the sum of money you know you can afford.

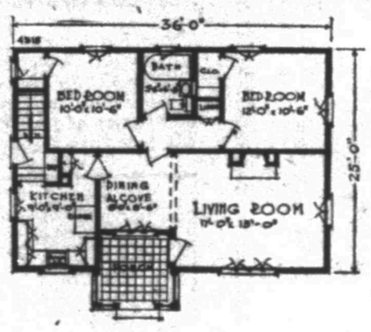
If, in this series of four articles, we have succeeded in getting you to see how it is possible for you to get your new home by reducing your requirements, we shall have done all we wish to do. It is an absolute fact there are thousands of people living in apartments and rented homes with inferior accommodations who might be living in their own homes with plenty of room to spread out, a yard, garden, a place to see their children play and grow, if they are only willing for the present to get along with a little less than they think they must have.

The last of four articles on "How to Lower Home Building Costs."

A FOUR ROOM COLONIAL BUNGALOW



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IN colonial times the style of this house was called a cottage, but today it is known as a bungalow. It is not an every day type of bungalow, but a well proportioned house offering a goodly return for every dollar invested in it.

In style it is colonial adaptation, to be built of wood frame on masonry foundations, with wood siding exterior and shingle roof. It will require a lot from 45 to 50 feet in width to accommodate this home.

Features of This Bungalow

There are four main rooms, a dining alcove, bath room and three closets all on one floor. The basement is partially excavated but of ample size to contain laundry, heater room and fuel bins. In addition to the charming porch, the house is distinguished by the individuality and simplicity of its various members. There is sufficient wall space to carry large window openings. The roof pitch is well studied, resulting in pleasing gable ends. The cornice projection is right and the chimney bold, yet unobtrusive.

The living room runs across the front of the house. A large open fireplace on the inside wall of the living room is topped by a fine wood mantel. The dining alcove is conveniently placed between the kitchen and living room. An arched beam opening makes the two rooms practically one.

The kitchen faces the street; working space extends across the front wall; counter shelves on the two china cabinets provide continuous shelves. Cross light and ventilation are provided windows on two sides of the kitchen. The ice box is placed in the rear entry.

A suggestive color scheme for this home is as follows: Walls, exterior siding, painted white; roof stained green; windows and door frames painted pale gray with sash painted white; dark red chimney.

Here is a home that is small in size, but big in conveniences and comfort, and it should be erected at a reasonable cost, if you are willing to limit your requirements and not demand luxuries.

The Cost To Build This Home

The cost will depend upon what the house is made of and what you put into it. The cost will also be affected by the locality in which it is built. In certain cities costs are much higher than in others. Simple equipment will decrease the cost—expensive equipment and materials will increase the cost.

The house has been planned to give you the advantage of all reasonable economies in construction; the use of stock materials; simple, yet sound methods of building. If your requirements are not too high, the house should be inexpensive to build.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The plans for small homes are furnished by the Regional Bureau of the Architects' Small House Service Bureau of the United States, Inc., an organization made up of the representative practicing architects from leading architectural offices throughout the United States. This bureau is controlled by the American Institute of Architects, and has the indorsement of the Department of Commerce, United States government. It is practically a non-profit making public service, and has as its purpose the furnishing of a very complete and dependable small house plan service at modest cost. For information regarding the blue prints and specifications, address the Home Building Editor of this paper. The United States Bureau maintains an Information Department to answer home builders' questions at no charge. Enclose stamped addressed envelope.

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WHAT YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT BUILDING

Questions addressed to the paper will be answered by the Architects' Small House Service Bureau of the United States, Inc., controlled by the American Institute of Architects and indorsed by the department of commerce, United States government. Inclose selfaddressed, stamped envelope for reply.

Q—You speak of the cost of building a home varying with the kind of specification that is supplied. Will you tell me what you mean by this?

A—A house costs more or less depending upon the quality of finish that is used and the character of the mechanical devices and to what extent luxuries are included. By this we do not mean to infer necessarily that the simpler things are any less durable or that they are not, if well handled, of good appearance. For example, you can reduce costs on your house if you use the cheaper woods for flooring and wood trim and if you do not employ the more expensive methods of finishing the surfaces. This applies all the way through the house and to a great many different items. You can double the amount of money you must spend for heating and plumbing fixtures without improving the accommodations of your home or making it more comfortable to live in. Remember that woodwork fittings like linen closets, kitchen cabinets, ironing boards and similar items are expensive.

Under the headings of luxuries may be listed sunporches, window blinds, partitions in the basement, extra china closets, built in cupboards, and so on. The desirability of these things is unquestioned, but the owner may not be able to afford them. The home builder must decide what he requires as to room space and how completely and with what elaboration he can finish the building. The cost of construction can be varied at least 25 per cent in this way. If you will scale down your requirements as to finish and equipment, you can build a substantial and comfortable home at a surprisingly low figure.

Q—Is it good practise to insulate the roof of a house? Are there any savings to be gained in heating? Would insulating the ceiling of the second floor be enough without attempting to insulate the roof in the attic?

A—We recommend insulating between the rafters wherever they form part of the walls of rooms in Dutch colonial architecture. Otherwise it is easier and cheaper to insulate between or on the ceiling joists of the second story. In this way you are not losing heat in warming the attic space.

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All Ban Johnson got for Christmas was a shock.

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HASTA MANANA.

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And for my part
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Spring training on the morrow.

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"We made baseball," declare the magnates, but did you ever ponder on the result of Babe Ruth's home runs in the American loop, and Clarence Kraft's circuit swats down here in Texas?

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One understands how the bob-haired gals keep their ears warm, but what protects the southern portion of the neck?

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The Johnson clan finished the season with an average of .500. Walter had an average of 1,000; Ban was close to .000.

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Anxious—Yes, victorious Harvard spelling team of 1876 got its letters all right.

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This team known as "Open" seems to have a lot of games scheduled in advance, but you never see its lineup.

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The child is father of the man, so some wiseacre of yore spake. If your pride and joy is a wizard with the spelling blocks, give three cheers, for he'll grow into a cross-word shark.

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"First With the Latest."

Christmas morn about 2:30, when the old office was in more or less pandemonium what with liquid cheer and reports of fires in Stamford and near Hobart, Okla., taking the toll of many lives coming in to say nothing of the excitement caused b ythe sudden volcan-like eruption into flames of the top portion of our own Bob Wagoner building, Goofus, self declared star reporter, rushes in eyes askew and hair all mussed up. He asks when is the next deadline and then nearly passes out when he is told that it's already passed. For Goofus had suddenly become imbued with the gleaming idea of dashing off a yarn telling the world in general, based on both inductive and deductive reasoning, that there IS A SANTA CLAUS.

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Yeah, he declared it was bonded stuff which cost him six times pre-war prices. So foolish.

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Now that the "Rabbit" has signed it is expected the Cubs will go forward by leaps and bounds.

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THE WATER HAZARD.

The homeward trip of the baseball tourists was one of the roughest voyages the Leviathan ever made, says the Public Ledger.

The ball-tossers had nothing to do with making it rough. They are very nice young men.

It was the heavy sea. The gale whipped the waves mountain high, as it says in the sea stories. Butch Henline and Willie Kamm were standing at the rail one morning. The boat lurched, somebody yelled and a mountain-high wave flopped across the deck.

Willie Kamm grabbed hold of a stanchion or a bulwark or something tightly connected with the main body of the ship. All Willie got was wet.

Henline missed his grab. The impact of the water flattened him on the deck and the lurch of the boat sent him skidding across the deck.

"I thought I was going right over the opposite brim," recounts Butch. "All my past life flashed before me and all that stuff. But I brought up against a hatchway.

"Sort of disconnected a finger on my left hand and skinned both of my knees several square inches. Well, they taped me up and I'm all right now. In baseball season I would have been out for a week or ten days.

"Yes, it's a good thing London and Paris aren't in our league."

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Cannonball Eddie Martin of Brooklyn, the new bantam weight ring champ, is headed for the oft spoke of fame and fortune if he is anywhere near as good as the last world title holder that the city on the wrong side of the famous bridge produced, declare the critics. 'Twas about a quarter of a century ago Terrible Terry McGovern tacked Brooklyn after his monicker on various hotel registers over the country. And there's little room for argument but that Terry could lick any of the present day mitsters of his weight. Which reminds us that they didn't have to make weight for Terry.

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There was a time when one of the requisites of a baseball manageer was the maturity of years, but with Eddie Collins, Bucky Harris, Dave Bancroft, Ty Cobb, George Sisler, and such comparative youngsters, it seems as if the day of the grizzled old bench boss is passing by the way in the big show.

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We don't believe that very many well-informed devotees of the grid game would want to see the forward pass eliminated or legislation put into effect which would curtail its usage materially. The pass is one of the greatest features that have led to the popularity of the game as it is played today. The present expression of views against the air attack from all sides probably is just another routine outcery for radical changes in the rules and will peter out at or before the rules committee meeting.

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We imagine Al White and Skipper Tanner are becoming more or less fretful from baseballic loneliness. They're all that's left here of the Spudders holding the old fort through the winter months.

McGRAW DENIES RUMOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—John J. McGraw, vice president and manager of the Giants today denied a published report that he had sold his interest in the New York club and had purchased the Boston Barves.

Johnny Hopes To Retrieve Lost Laurels In Bout

Slugging Welterweights to Clash in 12-Round Embroglio

MONTE CHOOSES WOP

Sanders and Wildcat Try To Pull Fight Before Scheduled

By BRUCE CROSS.

Several young gentlemen in Wichita Falls will watch the old year out and the new one in through sorely pummeled glims, if there be truth in the speech making of the fistic youths who will perform on the American legion glove program the night of Dec. 31.

Johnny Simpson, San Antonio face frescoer, comes back to take a whack at Duke Trammel, mean walloping Cowtown welter, and Wildkitten Monte, the Amarillo fighter who has graced many of the local scrap cards, will mingle mittens with Jackie Sanders of Charleston, S. C. The first mentioned pair will constitute the head liner ,and the second duo the semi-windup, according to Promoter Don Wofford. There'll be a negro battle royal, also, and possibly a four-round frolic between the heavyweights, Jack Sullivan of Snyder, Okla., and Roughhouse Clark of local extraction, Donnicus goes further to state.

Simpson Confident.

But in regards to that alleged oratory of the main-eventers and semi-windupperers: Ever since several weeks back when Trammel cornered the decision over Simpson in an eight-round slugfest, the Alamo City mauler has declared that he would do much better in a fight over a longer route. Now that Trammel-Simpson affair was a rollicking contest from gong to gong, all the ringsiders will admit, but during the course of this heated contest Dukum clipped Johnny once with a jarring southpaw hook to the point of the chin and twice with a stunning right with results that San Antonio wallowed in the resin on exactly three occasions. On the face of that it would appear that Johnny would be destined to osculate the canvas several times more were the distance to be lengthened. However, Johnny finished that eighth round with both fists aviating and gloves smacking all over the anatomy of Trammel. Hence San Antonio and his manager declare that given as much as 12 rounds in which to display their wares (meaning Johnny's) Duke will find himself a sorely beset battler, and one who possibly may kiss the canvas himself for a change. And there are many Wichita Falls fight enthusiasts who are of the same opinion, making the matter all the more interesting.

As for Duke, he has little to say. "I beat him once. I can do it again, and possibly more efficiently," or words to that effect, quoth Duke before entraining for his home shortly after his last engagement here. They're billed for a 12-rounder, so Johnny gets his chance.

Monte Loves Jackie.

Monte and Sanders are in love. They are just about as affectionate as Atticus Webb, the noted Texas prohibitionist, and any number of Bahama rum runners, who are said to be plying their trade with gusto along the Gulf of Mexico coast to the chagrin of hard working revenue officers and others of their tribe.

They had to pry Monte and Sanders apart the other day up in Wofford's office when the pair attempted to pull off an impromptu battle. "No foolin'," says Don, "they started knocking the furniture around before we hardly knew what it was all about."

At another stage of the game, this fisticuffing pair, it is said, planned to romp out to the country somewhere and stage a struggle to the finish, or something similar.

Monte, himself, told the writer not so many days ago that he'd like to get "that wop" out alone in an alley or something without anybody along to interfere.

Monte has met Sanders in the ring before, twice to be exact, and captured both decisions. But Jackie's been talking, says Monte, "accusing me of hitting and then running so fast that he couldn't get an even break with me." Now Jackie and Monte start putting up their dukes every time they meet, they're on such friendly terms.

They're slated for ten rounds, but to hear either of them comment on the fact one is led to believe that a mistake has been made. The fight will be far shorter, if I can catch him, possibly muses Jackie; yeh, if he'll only stand up and fight, probably meditates Monte.

Should the Sullivan-Clark bout arrangements fall through, there will be another attractive tilt put on, assures Wofford.

HUGGINS BUILDING FOR 1925 ONLY

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Miller Huggins' move in swapping Joe Bush and two youngsters for Urban Shocker indicates that the midget leader of the Yankees is building primarily for next year. He figures that Shocker is the man who can strengthen his pitching staff enough to carry his outfit to another flag. After that—why the future can takt care of itself.

LAST NIGHT'S FIGHTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Paul Berlenbach knocked out Larry Estridge in the second round of a scheduled 12-round bout in Madison Square Garden tonight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Jack Delaney of Bridgeport, Conn., easily outpointed Pal Reed of Boston in a slow 12-round bout at Madison Square Garden tonight. Each weighed 163½.

YOST FAVORS FORWARD PASS

Wolverine Mentor to Oppose Any Ruling Restricting Air Game.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 26.—Fielding H. Yost, chairman of the rules committee of the Michigan football coaches association, will oppose any changes restricting the forward pass when the committee meets in New York next Monday. Yost said he would favor the elimination of a run after recovery of a fumble.

Many men hang on too long at the wrong job because they haven't nerve enough to quit and their employers haven't nerve enough to fire them.

Brown Reviews Baseball Of 1924 And Game's Outstanding Figures



Left to right, above: Babe Ruth, Heinie Sand and Walter Johnson. Below: Dazzy Vance, Rogers Hornsby and Stanley Harris.

By NORMAN E. BROWN.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 26.—The year 1924 goes down in history as one of the greatest—at least from America's standpoint—in the annals of sport.

Triumphs of Uncle Sam's sons and daughters in the major sports, the Olympic games and in the so-called minor branches added prestige to his laurels in great and generous gobs.

Baseball, as usual, takes front rank in the amount of interest invoked and the thrills furnished. But there is a warning to the blind baseball moguls and all concerned in the progress of the diamond sport in the way both golf and tennis increased their holds on the rank and file of sport lovers.

Herewith are the outstanding features of the baseball season, ranked according to their importance.

Washington's Triumph First.

The winning of the American league and world's championship by the Washington club.

The triumph of Walter Johnson, grand old man of baseball, in the closing innings of the final game of the world series.

The manly revelation of Heinie Sand, Philadelphia National league infielder, that Jimmy O'Connell of the Giants had offered him a bribe to throw the game needed by the Giants to win the National league pennant.

The disgraceful school-boy squabbling of Commissioned Landis and

The number of former big league ball players who drew attention in the "amateur" ranks of many cities.

President Ban Johnson of the American league.

The superior leadership of Stanley Harris, Washington manager, in his first effort as manager of a big league club.

The strikeout record of Dazzy Vance, Brooklyn pitcher, and his all-around work which won him the title of most valuable payer to his team in the National league.

The dethronment of the New York Yankees as champions of the American league after a three-year reign.

The deaths of many of the game's celebrities—Pat Moran, Frank Chance, John Bruce, Jake Daubert, Tony Boeckel.

The record-breaking achievement of Rogers Hornsby in leading the National league for the fifth consecutive year and continuing at a batting pace that places his record for that span above Hans Wagner's great record.

Babe Ruth's feat in keeping his throne as home run king and leading the American league in batting.

The winning of his fifth consecutive pennant by Jakie Atz, leader of the Fort Worth team in the Texas league.

Jack Dunn's continued monopoly of pennants in the International league. He annexed his sixth straight.

The purchase of Lefty Groves, star pitcher of the International league, for the reported price of $100,600 to the Athletics.

The appointment of Eddie Collins as manager of the White Sox. Repeated rumors of Collins' departure from the Sox, and spurned opportunities of the club to name him pilot on previous occasions "killed" much of the interest in this appointment.

The departure of Del Pratt, Jeff Pfeffer, Larry Gardner and one or two other popular veterans from the ranks of the big timers.

The European tour of the Giants and White Sox all-star team. This was the first of such collections to win the distinction of playing a nine-inning game for the benefit of 20 Irishmen in Dublin.

The unanimous action of the baseball writers in choosing the Washington club to finish anywhere from eighth to sixth place.

The repeated offer of Owner Ebbetts of the Dodgers of $275,000 for Rogers Hornsby and his assertion that he meant it.

Coxy Dolan's sudden loss of memory.

Bentley—World Series Hero

Baseball's Last Ditch Rallies

The name of John Needles Bentley flashed in world series fire this year. Jack Bentley, whose major league career started with Washington in 1913, pitched nine innings and was the winning pitcher of the fifth game of the series.

He was the winning pitcher when Walter Johnson lost his second world series game. This result made the series stand 3 to 2 in favor of the Giants. It made the National league champions the overwhelming favorites for the world's crown.

It made the end seem so near that the Washington victory the next day and the eventual triumph of the Capitalists in the seventh game had the quality of a last-ditch rally. The boy manager had the last laugh, the way the series worked out.

But if the flip of a wrist or the turn of a curve had broken differently in the sixth game, so that the Giants won, or if Walter Johnson had not met and conquered his supreme moment, then we would be writing of Jack Bentley when we specify the comeback hero of the 1924 world series.

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That the slim margin of fact which makes the name and fame of Johnson obscure the comeback effort and success of Bentley in world series retrospect. Bentley pitched the second game of the series, losing to Zachary in the ninth by one run.

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In at the Death.

Bentley also got into that final showdown, the seventh game, when both managers resorted to every weapon in their arsenals to gain the upper hand. Bentley pitched, officially, one and one-third innings. He got the senators out in the eleventh. He retired the first batter in the twelfth.

Then Hank Gowdy stepped on his mask trying to catch a foul pop-up That misstep was fatal. The batter, Muddy Ruel, clouted a double. Travis Jackson fumbled a grounder. Then Earle McNeely, the Sacramento Kid, wrote the last blow of the 1924 season, a smash which took a high bound over Lindstrom's head and rolled into left field while Ruel raced with the story-making winning run.

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Johnson's deed was great, but don't forget Bentley, on even terms with Big Walter till two errors and a lucky bounce contributed to the universal demand for a Washington victory.

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Max Bishop of the A's, is a Baltimore boy and a teammate of Bentley several seasons. Staunch admirer of Bentley's spirit and warm personal friend of the big southpaw, Max call attention to the world's series record of Bentley as the culmination of a truly great comeback.

"Jack broke in with Washington," recounts Max, "and after being there a while, he was farmed out to Minneapolis, where he went great till he hurt his arm and could not throw across the diamond. He has sent back to Washington and when his arm didn't come back he was sent to Baltimore in a trade whereby Baltimore received Bentley, Barber, Williams and $2,000 for Sam Crane, shortstop.

"Instead of the money, Dunn could have taken Joe Judge, but he preferred the money at that time, the spring of 1917. Bentley was always a pretty good hitter and as his arm did not respond to treatment, he was put on first base for his hitting ability.

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"He played the whole year at first base and made quite a record as a hitter, but could hardly push a ball to third base, so, of course, that kept him from advancing. The winter of 1917 he went into the service and was over-seas as an officer.

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Rest Works a Wonder.

"That's of course, made 1918 a blank year in his baseball career, and when he was discharged in the spring of 1919 he had about decided to give up baseball permanently. Dunn kept after him until finally he got Jack to join the Orioles the latter part of June. He played the rest of the season at first base and his arm seemed to be much better.

"The year's rest had helped it, apparently. In the middle of the 1920 Baltimore was hard pressed for pitchers, so one day in Buffalo, when our pitching staff was shot, Dunn asked Bentley if he would go in and finish the game.

"So he did, and his arm seemed to be as strong as before he hurt it. The Buffalo club could not touch him, so I think that those two years without straining his pitching muscles in the service and on first base, had done the trick.

"The arm was ready and when he chance came he certainly made the best of it. All his former teammates when he was with the Birds were rooting for him when he joined the Giants, and wish him every success in the world. That's the kind of a fellow he is.

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"A great comeback, I think, when a pitcher who had given up pitching in favor of first base regains his stride as a pitcher and faces the firing in three world series battles."

Quakers Entrain For California

Penn Eleven Handicapped Injuries to Three Regulars

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The football squad of the University of Pennsylvania, 33 strong, left today for Berkeley, California., to pit its undefeated eastern strategy against Pacific coast tactics of the University of California.

Crippled by the loss of Fairchild and Craig, its two regular ends and the disability of Joe Willson, tackle, injured in practice recently, the team found itself leaving Broad street station of the Pennsylvania railroad on track 13. But that omen was disregarded when the strains of "Hail Pennsylvania," from the university band and a chorus of exhortations to "beat those Bears"—sent the "Red and Blue forth on its expedition into the west.

At Pittsburgh, Cylde Floro, a quarterback, who was injured on the eve of the Cornell game is expected to join the squad.

More than 100 followers accompanied the team, the special train comprises 11 cars. The baggage car is equipped with shower baths and gymnasium apparatus.

The train is due to reach Berkeley Tuesday.

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Long Forward Passes Cause Missouri's Fall

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TROJANS WIN 20 TO 7

Indian Halfback Completes One Pass for Fifty Yards

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—The superiority of the long pass over the short one on a dry playing field resulted yesterday in the smashing victory by the U. S. C. team over the football squad from the University of Missouri, it was declared today by experts who had carefully analyzed the plays by which a score of 20 to 7 was rolled up against the visitors.

Both teams placed great faith on passing to gain yardage, and each resorted almost exclusively to the variety favored in its own part of the country.

Missouri used the short pass in which the eastern and middlewestern teams are said to specialize in preference to the longer throws more popular on the coast.

Indian Stars.

On the other hand, U. S. C. placed its dependence upon the long distance toss, some of which were made for 45 yards and successfully received. At another time Newman, sensational Indian halfback with the U. S. C. teams, made a 50-yard pass that was caught by Ladgro, who romped over the goal unmolested.

The short passes of the Missourians were well made but proved ineffectual as ground gainers. Most of the midwestern and eastern teams playing on the coast have favored the short pass, so failure of the visitors to utilize the longer sort came as no surprise.

For the first time since it took the field in September in the opinion of close followers of the sport, the University of Southern California eleven looked like a top notch football team.

The strategy employed by the Southern Californians was simple, consisting mainly of straight smashes through the line and off tackle, with a liberal sprinkling of passes.

Bad luck assisted in the defeat of the Missourians for, after holding the local team during the first half, they missed a number of passes during the latter part of the game and seemed unable to stop the varied plays of the Southern Californians.

PENN TO STOP IN CHI.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The University of Pennsylvania football eleven enroute to the coast for its New Year's day game with the University of California, will make a thirteen hours' stay here tomorrow.

The squad will work out indoors at the Chicago Riding academy.

PIERCE ARROW STAGE LINE

Lv. Wichita	8	p. m.
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Lv. Quanah	9	a. m.
Lv. Chillicothe	10	a. m.
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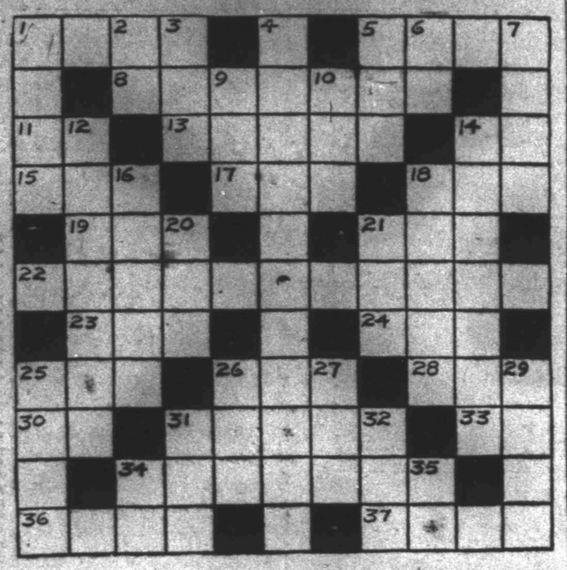
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Baby Grand Model.

Only two long words. This should be pie for the hard-boiled solvers and a pleasant exercise for the beginner.

Horizontal.

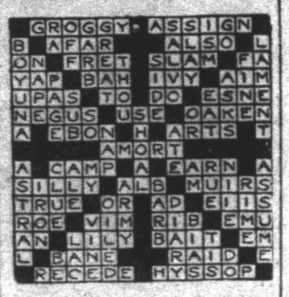
1. To praise.
5. A storm.
8. Part of mouth (pl.)
11. A conjunction.
13. Coarse material.
14. Regarding.
15. Pin.
17. The exertion of power.
18. To spread loosely for drying, as newly mown grass.
19. To gain.
21. The young of various carnivora.
22. Put through evolutions; intrigued.
23. A ram or male sheep.
24. Girl's name.
25. Possessive pronoun.
26. Spasm.
28. A pen for swine.
30. The sixth tone of the [illegible] scale.
31. Cardium.
33. To such a degree.
34. Rabbits.
36. Fatty tissues.
37. Bird.

Vertical.

1. A closed curve.
2. Above.
3. Papa.
4. Inhabitants of a northeast vision of China.
5. Precious stone.
6. So.
7. Increased till barely sufficient
9. A grassy field.
10. One of various small birds.
12. A boat race, or a series of such races.
14. Experiences sorrow for sin.
16. A group or class embracing subordinate classes or species.
18. Becomes sour, or spoiled, as milk; takes a new direction.
20. That which is first or highest in rank or degree.
21. Vegetable.
23. Ailments; worries.
26. Swamp.
27. Prefix; three; three times; thrice.
29. To bring into bondage; enslave.
31. Mean dwelling.
32. To spread loosely for drying.
34. To have existence.
35. Provided that; on condition that.

In Texas enough gas is wasted to illuminate the state. New York makes the same complaint about contraband.

The surprising thing about people is that most of them have just as much sense as you have.



THURSDAY' WORD PUZZLE.

Color Cut-Outs



3. Grendel Visits Heorot.
(Drawing: Grendel).

The fiend, Grendel, dwelt in a dank marsh and hated all that human men found good, for this Grendel was a son of Satan and vile was his heart and countenance. And King Hrothgar's noble thanes feasted on into the nigh and finally all slept in the feast hall, Heorot.

'Twas then that Grendel crept to this new built place and entered through the thrice barred and bolted iron doods and looked upon the sleeping thanes. With cries most frightful to the ear he did seize theirty of them from their fellows, and dashing out their lives, did carry them back to his dank lair to feast upon.

Much was the sorrow and lamentation in the morning when Hrothgar and his nobles woke. For traces of gore and the fiend Grendel were all to clearly shown. Then was there weeping in the kingdom of the War-Danes for the departed farriors, and fear for what might in future days befall from Grendel.

(Will Grendel come back? What will happen if he does? See tomorrow's story).

Dot Puzzle



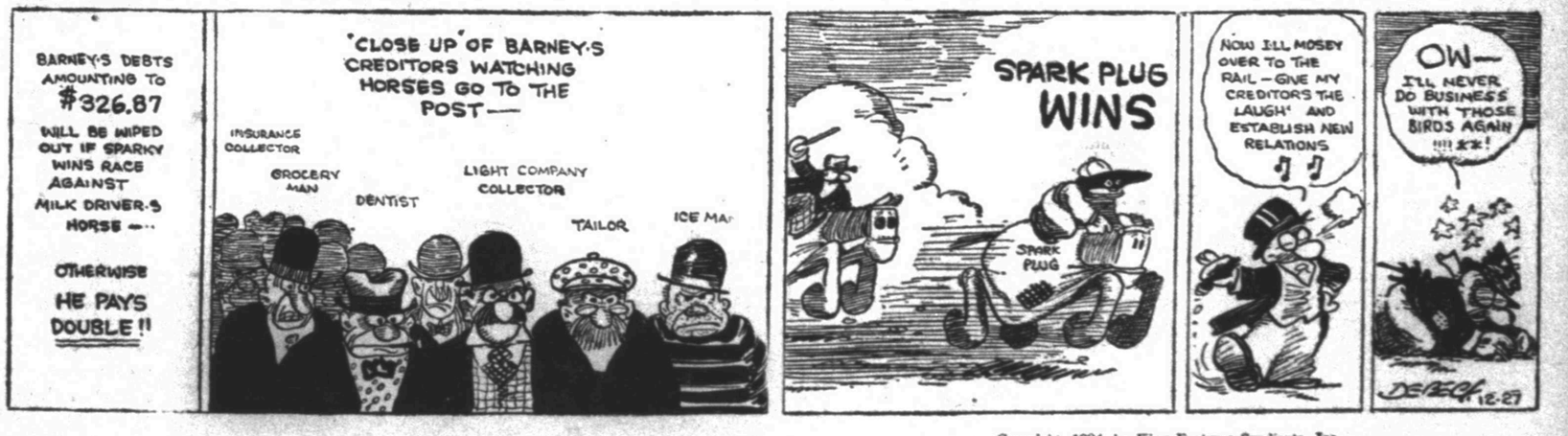
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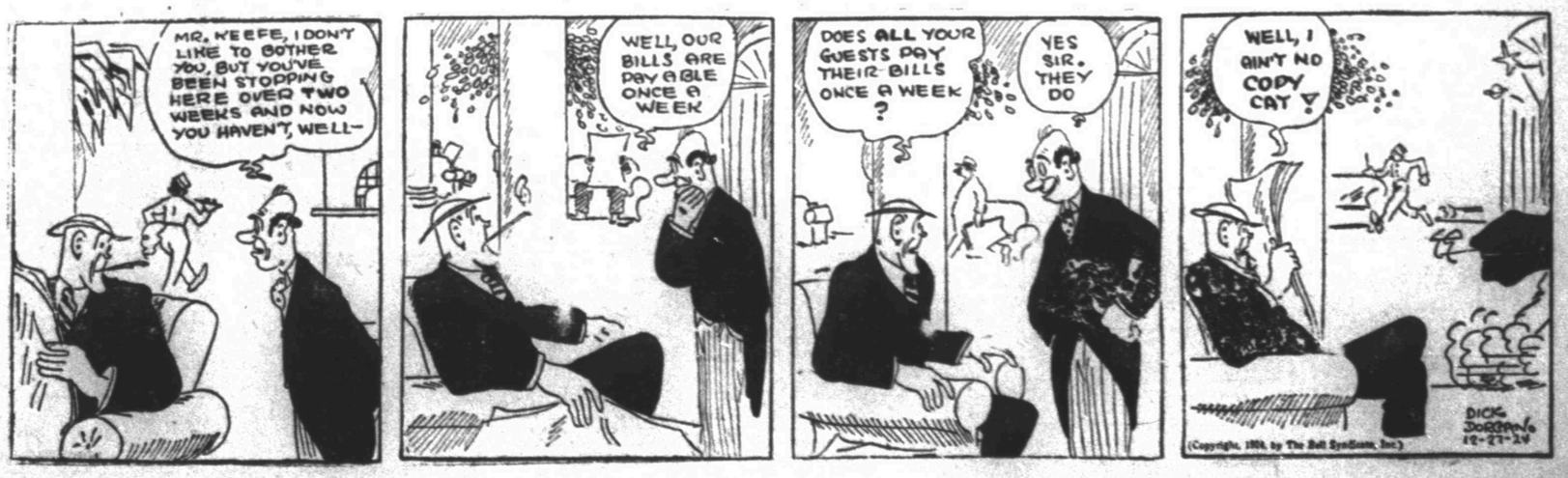
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1—59 Cadillac Roadster.
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LODGE DIRECTORY

Wichita Falls Council No. 1440 R. & S. M.—Stated meeting first Monday night of each month at 7 p. m.
Ed Bunnenberg T. I. M.
W. J. Webb Rec.

Wichita Falls Commandery No. 58—Stated conclave first and third Thursdays of each month.
JAMES H. BAUMANN, E. C.
W. J. WEBB, Rec.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 638 A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings first and third Friday nights in each month.
J. W. Love, W. M.
W. J. WEBB, Secy.

Wichita Falls Council No. 1473 R. of C.—Meets each Monday at 8 p. m. 1509 9th St.
C. K. WALSH, C. K.
212-14 Morgan Bldg.
CLEM GALLAGHER, Recorder.
800 Harrison, F. S.

Wichita Falls Chapter No. 203 R. A. M. Stated convocations, second Friday night in each month.
W. E. Niles, H. P.
W. J. WEBB, Secy.

Faith Lodge No. 1158, A. F. & A. M. Stated meeting the first and third Tuesday nights of each month. Visitors cordially invited to attend. 813 Scott street.
Will confer the fellow craft degree Friday, Dec. 29th, 7:30 p. m., W. H. Caldwell, S. W., in charge.
Third birthday party, Faith lodge Monday, Dec. 29th, 8 p. m., all members and their families invited and requested to attend. A splendid program will be given and it will be an enjoyable evening for all who attend.
Stated meeting and examinations Tuesday, Jan. 6th, 7:30 p. m.
THOS. R. WYNN, W. M.
G. W. CURD, Sec'y.

Wichita Falls Chapter No. 257 of the Eastern Star—1st and third Tuesday nights in each month.
MRS. MARGARET BRADLEY, Phone 5766. W. M.
MRS. NENA FRITTS M'GLINN, Secy. Phone 2029.

Wichita Falls assembly No. 17, Order of the Rainbow for girls, sponsored by the Wichita Falls Chapter No. 257, meets second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Masonic Temple, Miss Margaret Coleman, worthy advisor; Miss Dorothy Coleman, secretary.

Pat Carrigan Post No. 120 American Legion — Meets every second and fourth Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Legion Hall, 812 1-2 Ohio Ave.—VOYLE N. ARMSTRONG, Post Commander; R. J. CLAYPOOL, Adjutant.

Masonic Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.—Meets second and fourth Tuesday each month at Faith lodge rooms in Chesnutt Bldg., 813 Scott. All visiting Nobles invited to attend. Recorder's office 813 Scott street. Phone 2029.
L. G. HAWKINS, Potentate.
AL ELLIS, Recorder.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 1105 B. P. O. E. meets 1st and 3rd Monday at Elks club corner Eighth and Scott Sts. Visiting members invited to attend.
G. S. JOHNSON, Exalted Ruler.
R. U. ENGLISH, Sec.

Wichita Falls Camp No. 3001—regular meeting 1st and 3rd Wednesday nights, Labor Temple.
J. T. James, Council Commander.
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Office 2337, Res. 6471, 713 [illegible]

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.
State of Texas)
Wichita County)

By virtue of an order issued out of the 78th district court of Wichita county, Texas, on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1924, by A. F. Kerr, clerk of the said court, in the case of E. A. Sterling, Junior, versus the Twin-six Oil & Refining company, a foreign corporation, case number 16116-C and to me as sheriff directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1925, at the south door of the court house, Wichita county, Texas, the following described personal property to-wit: One boiler, two Worthington pumps with all pipes and fittings, two 1,500 barrel tanks number 1751 and 1752 and all pipes and fittings thereto, said property located on a lease at Bridgetown, on Red river in Wichita county, Texas. Said property levied on as the property of the Twin-six Oil & Refining company, a foreign corporation, to satisfy a judgment amounting to $2,000.00 and all costs of this suit; said judgment also providing for a foreclosure of attachment lien as it

Cotton

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The ease with which January notices aggregating 110,000 bales were absorbed featured today's cotton market. The notices were promptly stopped by several of the large local spot houses, of which possibly representing a third of the total, were credited with acting for New Orleans account. Several leading houses were active buyers of January, both on and after the opening, which gave that contract especial strength and carried it up to 23.90 or 40 points above the previous close, with March selling at 24.25 or 35 points net higher.

With few exceptions the market maintained a firm undertone all day and was fairly active.

While not particularly large for the day, exports are still practically a million bales ahead of last year and the fact that Europe was a buyer here during the day strengthened the situation and the aggressiveness of bull traders in the local market.

Exports today were 16,725; making 4,410,646 bales so far this season. Port receipts: 12,804. United States port stocks 1,627,122.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—The cotton market developed a much better tone today than had been looked for owing to the prompt stoppage of a large volume of January notices in this and in the New York market. Today was the first notice day for January deliveries and the notices circulated locally called for 35,000 bales.

The market moved upward gradually during the session until the middle of the afternoon, January trading at 24.01; March 24.18 and May at 24.46 or 26 to points up from the lows. The market eased off some in the late trading on realizing and the close showed net gains for the day of 14 to 17 points.

The stimulating influences included good mill takings for the week of 388,000 bales against 269,000 last year.

Exports for the day totalled 11,650 bales, the total for the week was 126,924.

WEEKLY COTTON

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 26.—Weekly statistics total forwarded to mills 42,000 bales of which American 33,000. Stock 627,000; American 487,000; imports 108,000; American 84,00; exports 3,00; American 2,000.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON SURVEY

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—The ease with which the large number of notices in both markets were stopped and favorable showing made by Mr. Hester's week end figures proved a stimulus to the market and prices advanced 28 to 30 points. Part of the advance was lost later from realizing but the market ended the day in a way to encourage those who are long.

Notices of January delivery totalled about 31,000 here and something over a hundred thousand in New York. Spot houses stopped most of them in both markets though quite a few went into scattering hands here. The advance in grain and strength of stocks proved a helpful influence by restricting the volume of selling. Reports that strong interests are accumulating contracts were current in the afternoon. Sentiment appears to be more friendly to the buying side and the market is receiving good support.

TEXAS COTTON

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—Middling cotton 23.40; Houston 24.00; Galveston 24.05.

LEGAL NOTICE

existed on September 18, 1924, on and above described personal property to satisfy said judgment.

W. W. MURPHY,
Sheriff, Wichita County, Texas.
By Mrs. W. E. Carter, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.
THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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

The State of Texas: To all persons interested in the welfare of the estate of J. S. Davis, deceased: Know ye that C. D. Johns was by the county court of Wichita county, Texas, on the 16th day of December A. D. 1924, duly appointed temporary administrator of the said estate of said deceased, which appointment shall become permanent unless the same shall be successfully contested at the next term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February A. D. 1925, the same being the 2nd day of February A. D. 1925, at the court house thereof, in Wichita Falls, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said estate may appear and contest such appointment if they so desire.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Wichita Falls, Texas, this the 16th day of December A. D. 1924.

ALMA Y. MILLER, Clerk,
County Court Wichita Co., Texas.
(Seal) By M. F. Yeager, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.
THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Wichita County; Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Albert White by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the 89th District court of Wichita County, to be holden at the Court House thereof in Wichita Falls, on the 1st Monday in January A. D. 1925 the same being the 5th day of January A. D. 1925. Then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 29th day of November A. D. 1924 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 16359-C wherein, Myrtle White is plaintiff and Albert White is defendant and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were married on the 29th day of March, 1921, and lived together until on or about the 13th day of November, 1921, since which time they have not lived together, and the marital relations between plaintiff and defendant still exist. That defendant abandoned plaintiff, on or about November 13, 1921, at which time he stated that he did not expect to return and live with plaintiff, and that they have not lived together since said date.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Wichita Falls, Texas, this the 1st day of December A. D. 1924.

(Seal)

A. F. KERR,
Clerk, District Court, Wichita County, Texas.
By EUNICE JACKSON, Deputy.

Grain

CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Besides crossing to above $1.80 for the first time the wheat market today shattered all high price records this year. New buying was based largely on an estimate that the exportable wheat surplus looked for in Argentine would amount to only 112,000,000 bushels. Rye as well as wheat went beyond previous top levels. Wheat closed strong, 3½ to 4¾c net higher. May 1.80⅝ to 1.81¼ and July 1.54⅜ to 1.54½. Corn finished 1⅛ to 2⅜c up oats showing 1⅜c to 2c gain and provisions at a rise varying from 12c to 40c.

For the most part corn and oats derived their strength chiefly from wheat. The government report on prospective hog supplies had only a transient weakening effect on corn.

Provisions, although weak early, were later responsive to the upturn in grain.

Wheat—	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	1.73	1.77¼	1.73	1.77¼
May	1.76¼	1.81¼	1.75⅝	1.80⅝
July	1.49⅝	1.54½	1.49½	1.54⅜
Corn—				
Dec.	1.24¼	1.27½	1.23⅞	1.27½
May	1.29⅝	1.31½	1.28⅝	1.31¼
July	1.29⅞	1.32	1.29½	1.31⅝
Oats—				
Dec.	60	.61⅝	.59⅜	.61½
May	.64½	.65⅝	.63⅝	.65⅝
July	.63	64⅝	.62⅝	.64¼
Rye—				
Dec.	1.52	1.52¼	1.52	1.52¼
May	1.55⅝	1.58⅝	1.54⅝	1.58⅛
July	1.36⅝	1.38	1.35½	1.37⅝
Lard—				
Jan.	16.55	16.70	16.40	16.67
May	16.92	17.15	16.80	17.12
Ribs—				
Jan.	——	——	——	15.70
May	15.75	16.02	15.75	16.02
Bellies—				
Jan.	——	——	——	16.25
May	16.40	16.75	16.40	16.75

CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Wheat: No. 2 red 1.88¾@1.90; No. 2 hard 1.75¾.

Corn: No. 3 mixed 1.23¾@1.24¾; No. 2 yellow 1.31½@1.31½.

Oats: No. 2 white 61¾@62½c; No. 3 white 58½@60½c.

KANSAS CITY CASH GRAIN

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Wheat: No. 2 hard 1.68½@1.83; No. 2 red $1.85@$1.90. Corn: No. 3 white 1.18@1.18½; No. 2 yellow 1.19@1.19½. Oats: No. 2 white 60@60½c; No. 3 white 60c.

Livestock

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Cattle: 5000; calves 1000; steady; fed steers 7.00@8.00; yearlings 7.00@9.50; butcher cows and heifers 3.50@6.00; canners and cutters 2.25@3.25; top veals 10.00; mediums and heavys 4.50@7.50.

Hogs: 10,000; uneven; top 10.25; bulk of sales 9.80@10.15; packing sows 9.75@9.80; stock pigs 6.00@7.00.

Sheep: 3500; higher, lambs 17.40@17.80.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Cattle, 9,000; strong; higher; bulk, 8.25@10.00; top handy weight steers, 11.50; butcher cows 4.50@6.00; heifers, 5.00@7.00; bolognas, 4.00@4.50; vealers steady; bulk, 10.25@10.50.

Hogs, 42,000; 15@25c higher; top 10.80; bulk, 10.40@10.75; 200 to 240 pounds average, 10.00@10.40; 170 to 190 pound kind, 7.50@10.10; pigs and light to lights higher; bulk, 8.50@9.00; packing sows, 9.75@10.00; estimated holdover, 9,000.

OWEN FUNERAL SATURDAY

Brother of Oklahoma Senator Dies In Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Funeral services will be held here Saturday for Col. William Otway Owen, U. S. A. retired, a brother of Senator Robert L. Owen, of Oklahoma, who died last night.

Col. Owen of American Indian ancentry, was born in Tennessee. He was 70 years old. Interment probably will be in Arlington national cemetery.

S.-M. NO. 3 IN AT 4,000 BBLS.

Wortham's Twelfth Big Well Completed Friday; Runs Are Short

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—Simms Marlands No. 3, Simmons was completed Friday morning for the twelfth Wortham well, doing an estimated 4,000 barrels from sand at 2,947-65 feet. Straube and Straubes No. 1 Lindley, 1,800 feet southwest of Humphreys one Simmons, completed Christmas eve is doing 4,000 barrels.

Though the field's potential production is estimated at more than 70,000 pipe line runs are 15,000 short of that due to cold weather and other causes.

Smiths Edwards one, south offset to Atlantic, Penns, McCorkle has the sand at 2,990 to 3,015, and is still doing 60 per cent good oil and 40 basic sediment. Simms Calame 1 north offset to Atlantic Penns, McCorkle, has the sand at 2,995 and is expected to extend field north one location Saturday morning. It is bailing.

N. Y. Stocks

(In hundreds)	Sales	High	Low	Close
Allied C and D	16	85	83¾	
American Can	79	156⅞	155¼	156¼
Am. C and Fdy	19	192¼	188½	192½
Am. Inter. Corp	22	33⅞	32⅞	33⅜
Am. Loco.	92	103⅞	99¾	103⅛
Am. Smelt and Ref	303	100⅛	96⅝	99¼
Am. Sugar	18	53⅝	52⅞	
Am. T and T	13	130½	129¾	130⅛
Am. Tob.	11	87⅞	87	⅛
Am. Woolen	14	66¼	65	⅛
Ana. Copper	234	46⅞	⅛	⅛
A T and S Fe	27	119	118⅝	⅞
At. Coast Line	3	151	150⅝	151
Bald. Loco.	26	132¼	131	⅜
B and O	51	80⅝	78⅞	80
Beth. Steel	76	49⅛	48⅞	59⅛
Calif. Pet.	29	22⅝	⅛	⅛
Cana. Pacific	9	150¼	150	⅛
Cent. Leather pfd	5	19⅞	19	⅝
Cerro de Pasco	100	54	52⅝	54
Chand. Motor	17	36⅝	36	½
C and O	26	95	94¼	¾
C M and St P pfd	63	28⅝	27½	28⅛
C and N W	30	72	71⅛	½
C R I and P	24	46	45½	⅛
Chile Copper	153	36½	35½	36⅛
Coca Cola	9	80	79⅛	½
Cong. Co.	62	43⅞	40	41⅛
Con. Gas	122	77⅛	76⅝	⅛
Con. Textile	24	4½	4	⅛
Cont. Can	20	68½	67⅞	68
Corn Prod	90	41	40⅛	⅛
Cosden Oil	47	25⅞	⅛	⅛
Crucible Steel	59	75⅛	74⅛	⅛
Cuba C Sug pfd	86	61	59⅞	60
Cuban Am. Sug	41	89⅞		⅛
Davison Chem.	17	43	44⅛	
Dupont de Nem	112	142	139¼	142
Erie	32	31½	31	⅛
Fam Play-Lasky	32	93⅛	92⅛	⅛
Gen. Asphalt	80	59	57⅛	58
Gen. Electric	52	296	293⅜	294
Gen Motors	436	65⅛	63⅝	65⅛
G N pfd	30xd	71½	71	⅛
Gulf States Steel	25	86⅝	84⅞	86
Houston Oil	27	78	75⅞	77¼
Inter. Harv.	39	108½	106⅞	108⅛
Inter. M M pfd	60	45⅛	44⅛	45⅛
Inv. Oil	12	15⅛	15	⅛
Kelly Spring.	19	18	17½	18
Ken. Copper	256	56⅜	55⅞	56⅛
L and N	3	107⅛	106½	107½
Mack Truck	66	118⅞	117⅛	⅛
Marland Oil	89	37⅞	37	
Mid. States Oil	12	1⅛		
M K and T	48	29	27⅞	28½
Pacific Oil	47	52⅞	51⅛	52⅞
Pan-Am Pet B	234	63⅞	62⅞	63⅝
Penn.	16	48⅛	48	
Phillips Pet.	82	36⅛	35⅛	36⅞
P and R	13	28⅛	27⅛	28⅛
Pure Oil	334	29⅞		⅛
Reading	55	75⅛	74⅛	75⅛
Rep. I and S	51	58⅛	56⅞	58
Rey. Tob. B	25	75⅛	75	
St. L S W	6	51⅞	50⅛	51
Seaboard A L	1	22⅛		
Seaboard A L pfd	29	40⅛	39⅛	40
Sears Roebuck	135	153	146⅝	152⅛
Shell Un. Oil	12	21⅛		⅛
Sinclair Con. Oil	8	18⅛	18	
Sloss Shef Steel	15	83⅛	82	83⅛
Sou. Pac.	48	103	102⅝	⅛
Sou. Ry	47	78⅛	78	⅛
Sou. Ry pfd	32	85	83	85
Stand Oil of Cal.	25	62⅛	61⅛	62⅛
Stand Oil of N J	113	39⅛	38⅛	39⅛
Stew. Wnr.	40	71⅛	70⅛	⅛
Stud. Corp.	185	46⅛	45⅛	⅛
Tenn. Cop.	18	8⅞		⅛
Tex. Co.	54	43⅛	43	
Tob. Prod.	15	71⅛		⅛
Trans. Oil	43	4	3⅞	4
Un. Rec.	25	150	149⅛	
U S Cast I Pipe	123	165⅛	159⅛	165
U S Ind. Alcohol	53	85	84⅛	⅛
U S Rubber	27	41⅞	40⅛	41⅞
U S Steel	67	119⅞	118⅝	119⅝
Utah Copper	8	86		
Va. Caro Chem pfd	6	2⅛	2	
West. Elec.	14	69⅛	68⅝	69⅛
Willys Ov. pfd	26	74⅝	74	⅛

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Financial

CALL MONEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Call money, firm; high, low, ruling rate and closing bid 4½; offered at 4¾; last loan 4½; call loans against acceptances 3¾; time loans, firm; 60-90 days 3½@3¾; four-six months 3¾@4; prime commercial paper 3½@3¾.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Foreign exchanges, firm; quotations in cents:

Great Britain demand 4.70¾; cables 4.71; 60-day bills on banks 4.68. France demand 5.39; cables 5.39½; Italy 4.28 and 4.28½; Belgium 4.96½ and 4.97; Germany demand 23.81; Holland 40.33; Norway 15.00; Sweden 26.93; Denmark 17.60; Switzerland 19.39; Spain 13.94; Greece 1.81; Poland 19¼; Czecho-Slovakia 3.02½; Jugo-Slavia 1.51½; Austria .0014¼; Rumania .51¾; Argentina 39.37; Brazil 11.50; Tokio 38⅛; Montreal 99⅝.

Stock Market Average

	20 Inds.	20 Rails
Friday	117.20	102.6
Wednesday	115.75	101.39
Week ago	115.12	102.42
High 1924	117.30	102.3
Low 1924	90.27	81.00

Total stock sales 1,486,800 shares.

STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Stock prices surged forward today under the leadership of the copper shares, shattering the Wall Street tradition of a dull and featureless post-holiday market. Forty seven individual issues eighteen of them coppers, smashed their previous 1924 highs, carrying the general industrial average to the highest level in five years.

Spirited buying of the coppers took place following the announcement that sales of the red metal in the east were being made at 15c a pound for the first time this year. American Smelting was the leader in that group, jumping more than five points to 100⅝, the highest quotation recorded since 1917.

Other coppers to break through their previously maximum prices were Anaconda, Kennecott, Utah, Chile, Cerro De Pasco, Magma and Butte and Superior. Some recessions took place when the directors of the Inspiraiton Copper Co., met and took no dividend action, the recent resumption of payments by the Anaconda leading to the expectation in some quarters that the Inspiration directors would take similar action.

The advance which comprised practically all issues with the exception of the oils, took place despite the maintenance of the 4½ per cent rate for call money.

United States Steel common touched 119⅞, the highest price in seven years, on buying influenced by reports of a further expansion in steel operations. Several of the minor steels also developed marked strength. Ludlum which registered a four point gain Wednesday adding two more today by touching a new top at 38¾. Other issues to sell at the year's best prices included Hudson and General Motors, Dupont, American Locomotive, American Car and Foundry, Philadelphia Co., Audio Corporation, Texas Gulf Sulphur and Beechnut Packing.

Trading in the rails was restricted by the mixed nature of the November earnings reports now being published. New York Central sold at 119⅝, the best price since 1912; Norfolk and Western crossed 133 to a new high for a gain of more than three points and Southern railway preferred and "Soo Line" preferred also registered new high records.

Call money ruled unchanged at 4½ per cent. The time money and commercial paper markets were unchanged with business quiet.

Trading in the foreign exchanges was restricted by the observance of a holiday in London but the rates held firm. Demand sterling again was quoted above 4.70 and French francs ruled around 5.39 cents.

TRAIN SCHEDULE

M-K-T LINES
Eastbound
Leaves
36 "Katy Flyer" to St. Louis, Kansas City, Dallas and San Antonio .... 6:45 a. m.
32 "Texas Special" to Kansas City and St. Louis .... 4:00 p. m.
38 "11 o'Clock Katy" to Dallas, San Antonio and Houston ....11:20 p. m.

Westbound
Arrives
37 "11 o'Clock Katy" from Houston, San Antonio and Dallas .... 6:15 a. m.
31 "Texas Special" from Galveston, San Antonio, St. Louis and Kansas City .... 2:25 p. m.
35 "Katy Flyer" from St. Louis and Kansas City .... 9:00 p. m.

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION
Northbound
Leaves
54 To Forgan, Wellington and intermediate points .... 7:15 a. m.
52 To Elk City and Oklahoma City .... 7:00 p. m.

Southbound
Arrives
53 From Forgan, Wellington and intermediate points .... 7:15 p. m.
51 From Elk City and Oklahoma City .... 6:45 a. m.

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OIL PROBLEM U. S. GREATEST

Work Sounds Note of Warning on Country's Petroleum Situation

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The greatest problem facing the United States in 1925 is the oil situation, according to Hubert Work, secretary of the interior, here today.

"Unless new fields are discovered and large new wells drilled the petroleum supply of the United States will be gone in 12 years," he said.

"We have floods of oil now, enormous production, more than 1,000,000 barrels a day. But how long will it last? Whenever a new field is brought in the owners rush to drill it up. Oil is fugitive. Each well takes oil from across the line and a lease of not too large can be drained by wells all around it. That is one of the reasons for the wild and costly drilling which uses up the oil so fast.

Must Stop Waste.

"The great problem is to find a way to stop wasteful drilling; to hold the storage in the ground until needed. Storing oil above ground is costly. Much is lost by evaporation. There is interest to pay on the investment in oil and steel tanks.

"Oil from public land exclusive of the naval reserves, totaled 40,000,000 barrels last year. Government and state shared in this oil; royalties amounted to 8,000,000 barrels worth $12,000,000. The cost of supervising the recovery of this oil to the government was about $250,000."

HESTER'S WEEKLY COTTON STATEMENT

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks.

	In thousand bales
In sight for week	458
Same seven days last year	311
Same seven days year before	300
For the month	2,108
Same date last year	1,480
Same date year before	1,324
For the season	9,962
Same date last year	8,032
Same date year before	7,910
Port receipts for season	6,044
Same date last year	4,718
Same date year before last	4,041
Overland to Mills and Canada for the season	569
Same date last year	487
Same date year before	816
Southern mill takings for season	2,185
Same date last year	2,143
Same date year before	2,315
Interior stocks in excess of Aug 1	1,164
Last year	665
Year before	788
Foreign exports for week	127
Same seven days last year	87
Same seven days year before	85
For the season	4,070
Same date last year	3,058
Same date year before	2,676
Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week	60
Same seven days last year	47
For the season	968
To same date last year	991
Statement of spinners' takings of American cotton throughout the world:	
This week	388
Same seven days last year	269
Same seven days year before	327
Total since August 1	6,210
Same date last year	5,662
Same date year before	6,318
Statement of world's visible supply:	
Total visible this week	5,659
Last week	5,661
Same date last year	4,415
Same date year before	5,014
Of this the total American this week	4,679
Last week	4,609
Last year	3,208
Year before	3,503
All other kinds this week	989
Last week	1,002
Last year	1,207
Year before	1,511
Visible in U. S. this week	2,969
This date last year	2,005
Visible in other countries week	2,690
This date last year	2,410

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Crude Production In December Up 9,100 Bbls. Daily

Total Output Each 24 Hours Is 1,986,000 Barrels; Mid Continent Gains.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Crude oil production in the United States in the week of December 20 amounted to 1,986,000 barrels a day, an increase of 9,1000 barrels daily over the preceding week says the American Petroleum institute today. California production increased 7,500 barrels daily; midcontinent field gained 12,250 barrels due to the increase of 21,500 barrels daily in central Texas; Oklahoma-Kansas lost 9,850 barrels; and the Wyoming-Montant-Colorado field showed a shrinkage of 10,300 barrels.

Receipts of California oil at Atlantic and goulf coast ports for the week ended December 20 totaled 598,000 barrels, an average of 85,429 barrels a day, against 58,420 barrels for the week ending December 13.

OIL CONTRACT ALLOWED.

Government Shipping Board Buys 348,000 Barrels of Fuel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Contracts for 348,000 barrels of fuel oil were awarded by the shipping board today.

A contract for 150,000 barrels to be delivered at Buenos Aires at $2.65 a barrel was given to the General Petroleum corporation of Los Angeles, Cal., and the other for 198,000 barrels to be delivered at Rio Janeiro at $17.50 a metricton was granted to the Mexican Petroleum corporation of New York.

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Ar. El Paso	1:05 p. m.
Ar. Tucson	11:25 p. m.
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Kiwanians, after their annual custom, staged a huge Christmas celebration for poor families at the Strand theater Christmas morning at ten o'clock with every Kiwanian in the city "on deck" to assist. Over two thousand people were present at the frolic for the kiddies. Two hundred and fifty warm wool sweaters were distributed to worthy boys and girls, and more than a carload of clothing was given to the poor families and kiddies. Santa Claus was there in person, and gave each boy and girl a large sack of candy, nuts and fruits after some Christmas fun and entertainment.

He Explains Why.

"We're giving you these things because we want to help make Christmas a little brighter and jollier for you, and we Kiwanians want to help you boys and girls in every way we can to grow up to fine men and women," said Luther Hoffman, who made a short address at the opening of a well balanced program for the kiddies. Chrisamts carols were sung by a group of Camp Fire Girls, under the leadership of Miss Glenore Fisk, city executive. Orchestra music and other entertainment features amused the kiddies and their families during the morning.

A handsome Christmas tree, beautifully decorated was erected on a specially built platform in front of the theater, but because of the sharp cold winds, it was impossible to hold the entertainment out of doors, and the party was given in the theater.

Distribute Baskets.

In addition to the huge celebration at the Strand, Kiwanians, by means of 22 well functioning committees, provided Christmas cheer in 27 homes that would not otherwise have been able to celebrate the holiday.

Committee members made personal visits into the homes, and presented needy families with whatever was lacking to make for Christmas joy; food, clothing, furnishings, toys, medicines and help and advice for troubles of all sorts.

Kiwanians have been working for 90 days on the plans for the big celebration—with careful attention to organization and detail which enabled the club to give the maximum enjoyment for the money and time expended. From all reports it is the biggest and finest celebration ever staged for the poor children of Wichita Falls.



RAYBON PORTER.

Director of the choir of the First Methodist church, which will give a Christmas concert at the church Sunday night.

Mellon Expects Safe And Orderly 1925 Development

Secretary of Treasury Tells What to Look for in U. S. in Coming Year

By ROBERT S. THORNBURGH.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. — No year since that following the election of 1896 gives such promise of commercial progress and national prosperity as does 1925, in the opinion of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon.

"The situation in America looks more favorable for sound and orderly economic development than at any time since the war," the secretary declared today.

However in order that the United States may enter the new year with view to obtaining the maximum of posperity and progress and that future years may guarantee to the people of the republic prosperous and healthy conditions, certain fundamental requirements must be met, according to Mellon's view.

Must Watch.

Among the paramount of these are:

1. Sound economic administration of the national and state governments.

2. Tax reform with assessments so levied that the source from which the returns are derived will remain unharmed.

3. Application of conservative principles to the carrying on of commercial and industrial institutions.

Secretary Mellon believes people are pledged to the application of these principles, according to the sort reflected from the last national election when the voters "repudiated various theories inconsistent with economic laws and expressed themselves in favor of a decisive and orderly program of handling our governmental affairs."

Hard Work Needed.

"It is only through hard work, economy and sound policies that we have a right to expect true progress," Mellon asserted.

During the last four years the administration has been occupied with the problem of reconstruction and this has succeeded, in Mellon's opinion. It was pointed out that in 1921, when the adjustment of government finances to peace time basis started, there existed a staggering public debt of $24,000,000,000.

Expenditures were reduced from about $6,500,000,000 during the fiscal year of 1921 to $3,500,000,000 in 1924 through the establishment of the budget.

"In 1920 federal taxes collected amounted to $54 per capita; next year they should be but $27, a cut of exactly one-half," Mellon said. "At the same time the public debt has been reduced $2,800,000,000 since March, 1920, and provision made in each year's budget for debt retirement of $500,000,000 chargeable against ordinary receipts."

The secretary feels that the condition brought about by the partial collapse of the economic structure of the United States shortly after the war—languished business, closed factories, unemployment, banks paralyzed with frozen loans—has passed.

"It has taken time for this situation completely to remedy itself, the adjustment now has been made and both banking and business conditions are in a thoroughly sound position," be declared.

When government strips us with a tax, it should at least pull down the blinds.

DIPOSE RATE ADVANCE.

Trade Paper Publishers Appear Before Committee to Lodge Protests.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Publishers of trade papers, appearing today before the joint congressional committee, which is conducting hearings on the administration postal rate increase bill, opposed any advance in second class mail rates. They asserted that congress, instead of advancing them, should take steps to adjust downward the second class rates, which were increased in 1918 as a war measure.

COOLIDGE IS CONFIDENT.

He Believes Europe Will Agree On Evacuation of Cologne.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Coolidge is confident that a satisfactory arrangement will be reached by the allied nations and Germany with respect to evacuation of the Cologne bridgehead.

This confidence on the part of the president is based on the ability shown by the European governments within recent months to reach agreements affecting their own welfare.

HULL HOUSE IS BURNED.

Small Boys and Firecrackers Cause $500 Loss Late Friday Afternoon.

Fire thought to have been started by small boys shooting fire crackers destroyed the hull house and caused other damage to the extent of about $500 at the Wichita Feed and Fuel company plant, 1908 Austin street, at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. A box car on the Southern railway tracks which run at the side of the building was partially burned when the flames spread.

Firemen prevented a further spread of the flames.

The thing that keeps the opium trade from seeming unmoral is the profit.

M. E. Choir Big Sacred Concert Sunday Evening

Organization Under Direction of Rabon Porter to Sing Christmas Songs

The chorus choir of the First M. E. church will give a sacred Christmas concert Sunday evening under the direction of Raybon Porter, musical director and religious educational director of the church.

Included in the varied program will be traditional Christmas carols, a chorus from Haydn's "Creation," a chorus number with a solo arrangement from Handel's "Messiah," Adam's "O Holy Night," a negro spiritual, and a solo by the director, "The Holy City," which is being given by request.

Mr. Porter came to this city three months ago from Tyler, where he directed the choir and religious education. Possessing a fine high baritone voice of wide range and remarkable sweetness he has proven a valuable addition to the church staff of workers.

Is S. M. U. Graduate.

Receiving his first musical training at Southern Methodist university of which he is a graduate and where for three years he was tenor soloist of the varsity quartette, Mr. Porter has since studied with John Wesley Hubbel of Dallas, Andrew Hemphill of Fort Worth and with Loyal Phillip Shaw in Chicago. While in that city he was a member of the A. Cappella choir of Northwestern university, one of the finest chorus organizations in the country.

He was formerly director of music at Park Ridge Methodist church in Chicago, of Hemmenway and Covenant Community Methodist churches in Evanston, Ill., of Kavanaugh Methodist church at Greenville and of Munger Place M. E. and Centenary Methodist churches in Dallas. His wide experience in religious singing has been rounded out by work as an evangelistic singer over the state at various times.

Has Excellent Choir.

Since his arrival here Mr. Porter has done noteworthy work in stimulating the musical life of the church in introducing new music and developing new talent. The choir has been trained to a high degree of excellency, and will sing several selections at the Sunday night concert, a capella (unaccompanied).

The junior choir, composed of children under 14 years of age, which has been organized and trained by Mr. Porter, will appear Sunday evening in several selections. This group of children meet weekly and receive valuable training in sight reading, group singing and the fundamentals of rhythm, melody and harmony work.

STORY HOUR AT LIBRARY

Children's Stories to Be Told At 3 o'Clock Saturday Afternoon

Children's story hour will be observed at the Kemp public library this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. H. G. Tolbert will be in charge and tell the child's version of Longfellow's Miles Standish, Hiawatha and Evangeline.

BOMB HURTS ATTORNEY.

Police Seek to Trace Explosive Sent as Christmas Packet.

GLENDALE, Cal., Dec. 26.—Search for bits of wrapping paper about a Christmas package which contained a bomb that exploded and injured Ernst M. Torchia, an attorney, here yesterday, was being made by authorities today.

Without the wrapper postal inspectors said efforts to trace the origin of the bomb in the mails would be difficult.

ARLITT STILL CONFIDENT

Austin Banker Refuses to Believe $50,000,000 Bond Sale "Is Off"

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 26.—J. L. Arlitt, Austin banker, who recently offered a $50,000,000 Mexican gold bond issue, has been notified by Arturo M. Elias, Mexican financial agent at New York City, that the "deal is off." At Arlitt's office ti was learned today that the Austin bond dealer has received three telegrams from Elias but still maintained that final cancellation depends upon official word from the president of Mexico.

HELD FOR $45,000 ROBBERY.

Prize Fighter Arrested In Chico, Cal. for Crime in Missouri.

CHICO, Cal., Dec. 26.—Chester Goudy, known here as a prize fighter, is being held in the local jail in connection with a $45,000 mail robbery in Crystal City, Mo., recently. Goudy was arrested yesterday on an indictment o fthe federal jury in St. Louis. According to announcement berp three of the robbers were killed by autorities in effecting their capture. Although Goudy denies participation in the holdup he is intimately acquainted with men known to have participated in the crime police say he has admitted.

"Hard Water Makes Soft Land; Soft Water Makes Hard Land," Engineers, Find In Irrigation Investigations

By A. M. McPHERSON.

The two scientists sent out by the government to find why some supposed good irrigation waters ruined soils, and why alkali waters failed to do injury were Carl S. Cofield and Frank B. Headley.

These two men with their assistants spent several years investigating irrigation waters all over the west and finally hit on the answer to the puzzle. The results were finally published in the Journal of Agricultural Research a year or so ago.

Nothing of recent years has added so much to the knowledge of soils and irrigation water as the findings of these two men. Waters that heretofore have been considered as dangerous for irrigation are now known to be entirely suitable. The result will be that many thousands of acres of land which should long ago have been irrigated will now be included in new projects.

This is especially true in West Texas. Under Herman Stabler's standards for irrigation waters, engineers and others have refused to sanction the use of water from many of the Texas streams because they did not feel that they were suitable for irrigation.

West Texas probably contains more land suitable for irrigation and still unirrigated than any other section of the United States. A contributing cause to this condition has been the character of the waters in the rivers and creeks.

Scofield and Headley say that the results of their investigations may be summed up in one sentence "Hard water makes soft land, soft water makes hard land."

Just remember this whenever you hear some one condemning the local irrigation project because the waters of Lake Kemp are hard, or hear some praising the water of Lake Wichita because its water is soft. Also remember that irrigation water, laundry water, boiler water and drinking water have different qualities and may not be the same by any means.

CAMP FIRE PLAY AT BULK.

Wichita Falls Girls to Give "the Call of the Wohelo" Saturday.

The Campfire play "The Call of the Wohelo" which was presented here the evening of November 28 will be given at the Burkburnett high school in that city this evening at 8:15 o'clock.

The play will be given under the direction of Miss White and those taking part will include Mrs. A. W. Ayers, Mrs. M. E. Ratican and Misses M. M. White, Mary Genevieve Ossenbeck, Mabel Gwynn, Jean Fisk, Viola Chewning, Mary Ruddy, Catherine Ruddy and Dorothy Jeanette Nix.

Besides the play a clever program has been arranged with a prologue by Masters James White and Jack Newsom and an epilogue by Miss Juanita Saukston and Master Joe Guy.

XMAS PARTY FOR MEXICANS

Benito Juarez Club Has Tree At Club Room Christmas Eve

More than 300 persons attended the Christmas tree and party given by the Benito Juarez club at the club rooms in the Mexican settlement Christmas eve. The big tree was well decorated and an entertaining program was arranged. The affair was staged under the direction of Miguel Ordonez, president of the club.

Through the liberality of Saul Lebenson and J. B. Marlow, both of who sent liberally-packed Christmas boxes the gift tree was made a huge success. Officers of the club have expressed their public appreciation of the donations made by Mr. Lebenson and Mr. Marlow.

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5-Year-Old Boy Scalded to Death

J. BARLEYCORN GIVES BUTLER FIRST LICKING

Fighting Marine, in His Battle On Rum, Worked Himself Out of Job

DRY WAR MET PROTEST

But There Was No Opposition When He Fought Vice and Bandits

"PLAYING WITH DYNAMITE."
PHILADELPHIA MAYOR TOLD.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—(AP)—City councilman William W. Roper, also head coach of the Princeton university football team, at a special meeting of the council today warned Mayor Kendrick that he was "playing with dynamite" in the matter of law enforcement.
Roper drew attention to the charges made by General Butler that Mayor Kendrick balked at enforcing liquor laws against large hotels. "I merely want to say at this time that in my opinion Mayor Kendrick is playing with dynamite."

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, the untamable, unconquerable marine, whose tunic bears medals attesting his gallantry on many a sanguinary battlefield, this week took the first "licking" of his careerand his vanquisher was that doughty warrior, old John Barleycorn.

The first "jam" that General Butler got into when he made his spectacular entry into Philadelphia as a crusading police chief two years ago was over the demon rum. The last "jam" that he got into before he was handed his summary dismissal by Mayor Kendrick was over the same subject. And all in between times, practically everyone of the "jams" that he got into at city hall resulted from his attitude toward the liquor question.

There was little protest when Butler, newly installed, sent his battleaxe squadrons into the vice belt to smash and crash questionable resorts into submission. There was less protest when he sent his flying squadrons out in swift automobiles, with riot guns, to shoot bandits on sight.

Split on Rum Question.

But there was plenty of protest when Butler set out to dry up the city from the slums to the gilded cafes and the high class hotels. And whether or not he was right about it, Butler got the idea that Mayor Kendrick was seeking to protect certain "wet" in-

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With Thermometer At 18, He Walks Barefoot in Snow

KANSAS CITY, M., Dec. 26—(AP) Downtown shoppers were astonished this afternoon to see a barefooted, bareheaded man walking indifferently along the street in the teeth of a bitter north wind with the snow swirling about his bare feet and the temperature about 18 degrees.

"Too much Christmas liquor," he told Traffic Officer Wickstrom, who arrested him. "I felt like giving something away, so made gifts of my hat and shoes."

"Come along before your benevolence extends to the rest of your wardrobe," said Wickstrom, as he led him to a patrol wagon.

FLORIDA BOUND STEAMER AGROUND IN CHESAPEAKE BAY

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The two masted schooner Minnie and Emma, Florida bound from Baltimore was reported aground near Tangier island light in Chesapeake Bay off the coast of Virginia in a message received today by C. C. Paul and company, ship's brokers. The crew was reported in danger.

GANGSTERS STAGE BATTLE AT RESORT, 3 ARE KILLED

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A renewal of gang warfare, from which Brooklyn has been free for nearly a year was believed responsible for the pistol battle early today in the Adonis social club, a South Brooklyn resort, in which Richard (Peg Leg) Lonergan and two others were killed as the climax of a Christmas night party.

Lonergan was known to police as a member of the "white hand gang."

CHINESE BATTLE IS OVER TIENTSIN QUIET AGAIN

TIENTSIN, China, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Quiet was restored in Tientsin today after the chaos resulting from the defeat of the Chihli army of General Li Ching Ling, former civil governor of the province and the occupation of the city by Marshal Feng Yu-Hsiang's Kuominchun national peoples army) forces on Thursday.

DRUSE REBELS IN SYRIA SIGN FOR PEACE, IS REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—An Exchange telegraph dispatch from Bagdad gives a report brought by a convoy from Syria that the chiefs of the Druse tribesmen in Syria have accepted peace proposals offered by the French authorities.

His Ballot Power Lost, Ludendorff Apes W. J. Bryan

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—General Erich Ludendorff, Germany's war time quartermaster general, and now leader of her ultra nationalists, has taken up the cause of prohibition, following the example of William Jennings Bryan, and David Lloyd George, who turned to this cause after their political power had waned.

General Ludendorff was asked to contribute to a book professor Hans Schmidt is writing on "why Germany lost the war."

The formed organizer of armies replied that the author might render a greater service with a book in support of prohibition. He has demanded that the dangers of alcohol be pointed out in all schools.

"We lack a compact organization and a leader for a vigorous prohibition campaign," he complained recently.

HI-JACKERS IN HANDS OF LAW

Two Under Arrest For Robbing of Men Thursday

A full confession was obtained and charges filed Saturday by the police against Sherman Helms, a Wichita Falls youth, in connection with the hi-jacking late Thursday night in which G. C. Hollingsworth, 702 Seymour, and Eddy Feaver of Kirkland lost about $11 in cash. A second man is in jail in connection with the hold-up but no complaints have as yet been made against him. Officers also said a woman was implicated in the affair.

Hollingsworth and Feaver were robbed while they were walking in the 400 block on Lamar avenue, they reported to police. A gun was leveled at them while the robbers went through their pockets.

Helms was arrested Friday by the police and Thursday morning he made a statement to Sam Spence, special investigator for the district attorney's office.

SAYS HIGHER DEGREES IN COLLEGE GO TO THE UNFIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Higher degrees in American universities are sought largely by the unfit, Frederick J. E. Woodbridge, dean of the graduate faculties of Columbia university, said in his annual report to President Nicholas Murray Butler, made public today.

The worship of academy degrees has fortunately become a form of educational idolatry, he said. "In too many places in our educational system the possession of a degree is too often regarded with higher favor than the possession of ability."

Kay In Charge At Bible Class Today

Judge John C. Kay, teacher of the Kay Bible class for men, will be back Sunday morning to take charge of the regular meeting in the Strand theatre it was announced Saturday.

The popular attorney has been on the recuperative list for the past two weeks as a result of a near-tragic hunting accident near San Antonio. His left hand was badly injured in an accidental discharge of his gun, and while the wound has not yet healed Judge Kay will be able to assume his post.

HUNTER ACCIDENTALLY KILLED NEAR SAN BABA

SAN BABA, Texas, Dec. 26.—John Comer, aged 28 years, was accidentally shot and killed Friday afternoon while hunting in the T. A. Norred pasture 15 miles southwest of San Baba.

FAMOUS EYE SPECIALIST DIES IN SOUTHERN HOSPITAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Dr. Marcus Feingold, widely known specialist in diseases of the eye, died at a hospital here this afternoon. He had been sick for several months.

2 WEST TEXANS DEAD AFTER GUN BATTLE ON ROAD

Charles Baxter of Carlsbad Is Dead; Slayer Takes Own Life.

THIRD MAN IS HELD

Grim Death Battle Follows Meeting of Two Men in Autos on Highway.

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Charles Baxter, 30, Carlsbad, Texas, farmer, and Frank Reagan, 45 of Camp Wood, shot out their differences on the Ozona-Sonora road just within the border line of Sutton county Saturday afternoon and both are dead. An inquest, conducted by Justice S. H. Stokes of Sonora, found that Baxter was murdered and that Reagan committed suicide following the gun duel.

A man named D. Ory, who accompanied Reagan is held in jail here as accessory in fact to the saying of Baxter. Examining trial has been set for Monday.

The body of Baxter was taken to Ozona Saturday evening, where relatives of Mrs. Baxter reside, while the body of Reagan was brought here pending word from relatives at Camp Wood.

The Battle

The shooting transpired without warning in the roadway when the drivers of the cars met and recognized each other. With the machine yet in motion, Reagan is said to have fired at Baxter through the windshield of Baxter's machine, Baxter replying with a Winchester. One bullet broke Baxter's left wrist and two others from a 30-30 entered his breast. One bullet from Baxter's gun plowed through Reagan's hat. As Baxter slumped in his seat, Reagan, who had gotten out of his car, said "I tell you all goodbye," turned his gun on himself, the discharge taking off the top of his head, according to testimony at the inquest.

Ory Called Officers

As the shooting started, Ory jumped from the Reagan car and ran back to the Willie Wilkinson ranch house, from whence he called officers. Neither Mrs. Baxter or the five children with them were injured.

Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson and Justice Stokes, conducting the inquest, questioned Mrs. Baxter and Ory. Mrs. Baxter said that her husband lived just long enough to tell her to get him to a hospital and notify his relatives. Further quizzing brought out that Ory had filed a complaint charging Baxter with the theft of clothes.

Aged Ozona Citizen Is Burned to Death

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Sam Smith, 78, was burned to death at Ozona shortly after noon Saturday when fire starting from an oil heater blast destroyed his residence with property loss of $4,000. Mrs. Smith, who escaped flames, thought her husband had gone from the house a few moments before. When he did not appear later, search of the ruins revealed his body. Funeral is to be Sunday.

EX-GOVERNOR QUITS AS PRISON PAPER'S EDITOR

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 26.—(AP)—After serving for 15 months as editor of "Good Words," the monthly magazine of the Atlanta federal penitentiary former Gov. Warren T. McCray of Indiana, has relinquished the editorial pen, due to high blood pressure.

W. TEXAS WOMAN OBSERVES HER HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY

CISCO, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Wood, living at Nimrod, ten miles southwest of here, celebrated her one hundredth birthday Christmas day.

JIM TO SAN ANTONIO

AUSTIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Former Governor James E. Ferguson left early today for a business trip to San Antonio. He is expected to return Sunday or Monday, perhaps going to Houston before returning here.

Garment Cleansing Week To Start In Wichita Falls Today

Sunday morning marks the beginning of school children's garment cleansing week in Wichita Falls.

Last week the cleaners and dyers of the city presented some six thousand coupons to the school children of the city, through their teachers, each coupon entitling the child to have its garments cleaned and pressed without charge. These coupons are good for this week only.

"This is a gigantic undertaking, said one prominent cleaner yesteredav and we sincerely hope that the general public will co-operate to the fullest extent with us. Statistics show a decided increase in preventable diseases after the holidays and this is our contribution to the health of our community to stamp out this increase in sickness.

"Dry cleaning is germicidal. That fact has been brought out through elaborate laboratory tests. Children at play during the holidays, are more apt to come in contact with disease germs, than during the time they are going to and from school. Then, too, the clothes hang in dark closets, which are almost always lurking places of disease germs.

Every parent should avail themselves of this opportunity to have their children's garments cleaned dur-

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Opera in English, With Saxaphones Moaning And Banjos Playing, Is Hit in Chicago; Composer Kissed

A. Franke Harling Almost Collapses in Lobby Of Theatre When Men and Women, With Open Arms and Moist Lips, Rush to Pay Tribute to Work.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Opera-in-English enthusiasts broke all bounds today when A. Franke Harling, Boston composer at the conclusion of the world premiere of his "A Light From St. Agnes," was pursued into the lobby of the Auditorium theatre and kissed repeatedly.

Harling conducted his own opera, the first to introduce the saxophone and banjo and with the Chicago Civic Opera artists received the plaudits of society and the music lovers in the galleries but the real demonstration occurred when he reached the lobby.

At least 200 men hugged and kissed him. Women were as emotional as the men, and Harling escaped them almost in a state of collapse, fleeing to his hotel room.

The composeer formerly was musical director at West Point Military Academy where he composed "The Corps."

Was Swept Off His Feet.

The Saturday afternoon and Monday evening operas generally are attended by Chicago's society leaders, and those who Hobsonized the young composer were not latins swept off their feet by the power from music

He literally was swept off his feet by those who sought to express their appreciation of his efforts, and, worn by his unusual experience, retired to his hotel room immediately after his opera had been presented.

Harling is a rather small young man. His appearance is that of a young business man, with none of the flowing hair or other characteristics of the typical young jazz musician. His musical career included choir work in St. Paul's church at Brookline, Mass., the Church of the Advent at Boston, and the Grace church in New York.

Is Given Prize Medal.

This afternoon he was presented the David Bispham medal by the American Opera society which gives the medal annually for meritorious works in English.

The liberetto, "A Light From St. Agnes" was prepared by Minnie Madden Fiske, the American actress who now is playing in St. Louis. She kept in close touch with its reception today by wire and was one of the first to congratulate Harling.

Tomorrow another American opera, Namiko-San, will be presented for the third time this season.

ESCAPED TEXAS PRISONER HELD

Is Caught in Waco After Telegraphing His Desire To Surrender.

WACO, Texas, Dec. 26.—Mally Warden, white, who escaped from Blue Ridge prison farm Christmas eve and spent Christmas day with his wife and four-year-old son in Waco, was recaptured at 5 p. m. today by Sheriff Leslie Stegall and Deputy Joe Roberts as he was waiting for an answer to a wire to Capt. C. H. Addison of the prison farm, asking for fare back to prison. "I was going to give myself up," he said, "in order to get credit for good behavior. I have only a month to serve that way, and eleven months if I serve the full term."

Warden was sent up from Corsicana for forgery. He said he borrowed a car from some Italians who were visiting the farm and drove it to Houston, leaving it in front of the Rice hotel, then catching a train for Waco.

HEAD OF BANK DEPARTMENT QUITS TO TAKE POLICE JOB.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—George V. McLaughlin, state superintendent of banks announced today his acceptance of the office of police commissioner offered him several days ago by Mayor-elect James J. Walker.

He will take office on Jan. 1, when Mr. Walker becomes mayor.

France Is Fearing Cabinet Shakeup

PARIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The government and the parties which compose its majority in the chamber of deputies now are providing the extraordinary spectacle of a frantic race to forestall each other in the presentation of a financial program to parliament.

This situation gives rise to the prospect that the new year will start off politically with another cabinet crisis. The seriousness of this is heightened by Premier Briand's declaration that he will make no further partial changes in his ministry. If Finance Minister Doumer's projects are rejected it will mean the rejection of the whole cabinet.

Woman's Bravery In Fire Saves 12

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Twelve children were rescued from a burning apartment building here this evening by Mrs. L. R. Shipp of Corsicana, visiting Mrs. G. R. Davis, who lived in the building damaged. They included three of Mrs. Shipp's own children, two of the Davis' and seven others.

R. L. Culley, 30, was slightly injured when a trunk thrown from an upstairs window struck him on the forehead. Damage to the building and furniture was placed at $16,000.

FEDERAL JUDGE'S DAUGHTER BRIDE OF FRENCH NOBLEMAN

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Anne Lewis Hughes, daughter of Circuit Judge Robert E. Lewis, and Marquis Henri de Campiegne, a member of the French nobility, were married here today. They left tonight for New York en route to Europe.

DENIES HARDING LETTERS BURNED

Rumor Said All Data About Adminstration Was Destroyed by Widow

METRION, Ohio, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Denial was made here today by Hoke Donithen, chairman of the Harding memorial association that Mrs. Warren G. Harding had burned practically all of the letters pertaining to her husband's administration.

Donithen's statement was called forth by the published story that these letters had been burned.

The only file that Mrs. Harding brought from Washington, Donithen said, consisted of the president's personal and confidential letters to and from friends. She discarded those she did not regard as worthy of preservation.

LATE

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Liquor and beer valued at between $100,000 and $125,000 were seized in a series of raids this afternoon and tonight by three details of federal agents.

NEW YORK—Billy Wells of England was disqualified in the seventh round of a 10-round welterweight match here tonight against Harry Dudley of California for using the back hand blow.

CHICAGO—Governors of 24 states have been invited to attend a Jackson day dinner here January 8 under the auspices of the Iroquois club.

MINNEAPOLIS—The body of Mrs. Frances Wanzer, 60, an invalid, who saved her 13-year-old grand daughter when fire wrecked an apartment building but was unable to save herself, was found in ice-covered ruins of the building tonight.

PHILADELPHIA—Thomas Grady, 63, eccentric comedian who appeared with "The Gorilla," now playing here, died in Jefferson hospital tonight.

BELLAIRE, Ohio—Eight of the nine victims of Webb mine disaster of Tuesday were laid to rest this afternoon after a joint funeral service conducted in Miners' Temple and attended by 10,000 miners.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—Papers in the separation suit by Count Ludwig Saim Von Hoogstraeten were served today on his wife, the former Millicent Rogers.

SCIENCE ASSOCIATION TO MEET SOON IN KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Leaders in scientific work from all sections of the United States with representatives from Canada and Great Britain, will be here next week, beginning Monday for the eighty-second annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

FLORIDA EXPRESS STILL CONGESTED; EMBARGO STAYS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26. (AP)—Walter Buckner of the Seminole division of the American Railway Express company said today that the express congestion here has not been cleared up as rapidly as had been hoped, but that it was hoped to raise the embargo within a few days.

NO TOBACCO LEAGUE URGES DAWES TO QUIT THE WEED

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Vice President Charles G. Dawes was importuned todaay by the No Tobacco league to make a New Year's resolution to refrain from the use of tobacco.

IOWA FARMERS TO MEET TO DISCUSS SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP) Iowa's delegation in congress today voted to go in a body to Des Moines to attend a meeting Tuesday at which the agricultural situation will be discussed.

TAX BILL WILL SEE ROUGH RIDE YET, IS BELIEF

Although It Slid Through The House Easily, It May Be Lost in Senate

DEMOCRATS BALK

Long and Stubborn Fight Is Due When Bill Comes Up, Experts Believe.

BY ROBERT T. SMALL.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—There is every reason to believe that a long and stubborn fight confronts the Coolidge-Mellon tax bill in the senate. It was pointed out in these dispatches some time ago that when a tax measure passed the house of representatives it had scarcely begun its journey into the realm of the revised statutes of these United States. The senate has a pernicious and persnickety way of wrecking many things that come from the house. The senate has to do that to show it is a deliberative and a powerful body.

The ease with which the new reduction bill slid through the house during the first two weeks of the new session seemed to indicate to many persons that this time there was going to be a change—an exception to the rule. This conclusion was jumped to largely because of the fact that the democrats of the house appeared to be hypnotized by their republican brothers during the consideration of the bill and most of them voted as good republicans in jamming the measure through in quick step time.

Senate Democrats Different.

But evidently the democrats of the senate are a different ilk. They are not to be stampeded into hasty action either by the administration, by

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Bank Clearings Show a Decrease

Bank clearings for the week ending December 26 are on the decrease, according to a statement issued by the Wichita Falls Clearing House association Saturday.

Clearings for the week follow:

Monday	$ 686,741.58
Tuesday	682,620.47
Wednesday	669,389.36
Thursday	628,165.69
Friday	Holiday
Saturday	562,750.10
Total	$3,229,407.30
Last week	3,632,682.85
Decrease	$ 402,275.55

2 Girls Attacked; White Man Jailed

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A white man was brought to the county jail here today from Fairbanks where he was charged with attacking two girls 14, and 16 in their home there about noon.

The report said that the man, who was riding a bicycle, stopped at the home of the girls and finding them alone attempted to assault them. One was bruised while struggling with her assailant. The other ran screaming out of the house and the man fled.

Three hours later a suspect was arrested. His bicycle was said to have been stolen in Houston.

Chicago Cold Too Fierce for Bears

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.8—(AP)—It was too cold here today for acclimated polar bears. When the temperature hovered about zero a newspaper photographer went to Lincoln park to picture the two white bears there enjoying a breath from the home land. Instead they were crouched far back in their den and food, pleading nor threat was sufficient to coax them out.

FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF EUCHARIST MEET IS MADE

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—George Cardinal Mundelin tonight sent to 350 Roman Catholic churches in the archdiocese of Chicago his first official announcement of the International Eucharistic congress to be held here next June 20-24.

The letter translated into nine languages, will be read from the pulpits of all the churches tomorrow and each parishoner will receive a copy of it.

PICKS SHOOTING GALLERY AS SETTING FOR SUICIDE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Charles J. Smith who walked with two crutches, went into a downtown shooting gallery today, laid down a nickel, fired one shot at the target and the other through his head. He died.

HANDS BLOWN OFF, BOY SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES

CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 26.—(AP)—His hands blown off by the explosion of dynamite caps which he found and to which he touched a match, Jesse Downs, 10, of Charleston, Mo., died in a hospital here.

Men, What Have We Left? Ladies Now Don Smoking Suits

LODON, Dec. 25.—(AP)—The latest feminine invasion of preserves hitherto exclusively masculine has taken the form of the "smoking suit" for women.

These suits consist of jackets and trousers in Chinese style, in dark colors and heavily embroidered. They are being worn at the "smoking parties" for women which are popular in smart circles this season.

The papers recorded that at a recent feminine "smoking party" fifty brands of cigarettes were passed around, in addition to light cigars and pipe tobacco of delicate flavors.

COLD WAVE TO HIT HERE TODAY

Winter's Most Severe Weather On Way to Texas, Forecast Says

North Texas was given orders from weather headquarters Saturday to prepare today for what may be winter's most severe onslaught. Storm warnings came in from all directions, bolstered by reports of sub zero temperatures, snow and ice in the far northwest.

A whistling norther, it was reported, is headed this way and is due to strike by Sunday night at the latest.

Below freezing temperatures were forecast for southern Oklahoma and Northern Texas by Monday, with prospects of the cold wave enduring for most of the week.

As a prelude to his promised rigors, the weather man for Christmas day and yesteredav provided a climate warm and brilliant. Saturday, especially, was balmy with only a light breeze prevailing. The sky was cloudless.

Christmas day itself was an inviting one outside. A gleaming sun and only a light north wind conspired to drive off most of the chill which had prevailed in the early part of the week.

However, real winter weather now seems to be setting in.

BELOW FREEZING IS PANHANDLE FORECAST.

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Another cold wave is in prospect for Texas and will probably arrive Sunday night or Monday morning, the United States weather observer announced here. Below freezing temperatures are likely in the Panhandle late Sunday.

FIVE DEATHS DUE TO COLD NEAR CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Bitter cold blasts possibly ranging down to 10 degrees below zero were predicted for Chicago and the Lake Michigan region tonight, as five deaths in Chicago were attributed to the cold.

At Minot, N. D., the federal weather bureau thermometer registered 23 below at 8 a. m.

Weather predictions for the Chicago area said that the temeperature would go to 10 below tonight.

Cotton Hull Fire Menaces Gin Here

A huge pile of blazing cotton hulls and a howling north wind presented a setting for potential disaster early Saturday night at the Wichita gin just north of the river on the Burkburnett road.

The big stack of hulls caught fire in some way about 8:30, and, fanned by a strong gale from the north, speedily developed into a decided menace around the gin buildings. Firemen were called and while they could make little headway against the fire itself, they were able to keep it from spreading.

The loss will be nominal.

FARMER SLAIN WITH AXE; KILLER THEN ENDS LIFE

POCATELLO, Idaho, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A special dispatch to the Pocatello Tribune today says Frank Thirkill, Jr., farmer, was chopped to death with an axe last night by Warren Lowery, farm hand, who today killed himself with a shot gun, in the farmer's home.

BIG FIRE AT ALEXANDRIA THREATENS NAVY PLANT.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 26.—(AP)—A fire which for a time threatened to spread to the navy torpedo storage plant did less than $50,000 damage to two grocery concern warehouses today on the water front. The cause had not been determined tonight.

Man Is Hi-Jacked

George Pierson, 1408 Travis street, was held up and robbed of $7 in cash late Saturday night as he was passing the corner of Eleventh and Travis streets. Two young men, neither of whom were masked, thrust a gun in his face, he told police, and then went through his pockets.

He was able to give officers a fairly good description of the hi-jackers and a police hunt was under way last night.

PLUNGE IN TUB OF HOT WATER FATAL FOR LAD

J. R. Riley Dies Early Saturday Night of Severe Burns.

BODY IS COOKED

He Falls in Vat While Mother Is Washing In Morning.

J. R. Riley, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Riley, died at the family residence, 2600 Filmore St., at 8:30 Saturday night from the effects of scalding burns received at 10 o'clock Saturday morning when he tumbled into a tub of boiling water in which his mother was washing clothes. His entire body was literally cooked and his life was despaired of from the first.

Washing Clothes.

Mrs. Riley was washing out some things, she said, and had a tub of water on the floor in the kitchen of the home. The boy was playing about in the room and while his mother was in another part of the house momentarily, he stumbled in some way and pitched backward into the vat. His screams brought Mrs. Riley hurrying to the rescue and he was pulled out of the tub.

Doctor Summoned.

Dr. Duane Merideth was summoned and administered medical treatment, but the lad, with most of his skin seared, was known to be in a critical condition from the first. He lived until early last night, however, before death came.

The body was removed to the Merkle funeral parlors and prepared for burial. Funeral services will be held at the home at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, in charge of Rev. A. J. Holt, pastor of the Lamar Avenue Baptist church.

Burial will be in Rosemont burial park.

The boy's father is a carpenter.

23 Dead Is Day's Record in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Tragedy stalking in the wake of Christmas festivities gave the coroner's office here the busiest day in its history today when 23 violent deaths in 24 hours, almost one an hour, were recorded.

Seven of the 23 deaths were traffic fatalities, a number resulted from burns and exposure and one from inhaling gas. Other deaths in St. Louis county swelled the total for greater St. Louis.

CREW OF BOAT, REPORTED LOST, TOW IN RUM SHIP

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP) Members of the crew of a coast guard cutter who were reported missing in the Gulf of Mexico, came to New Orleans this afternoon with the eleven ton gasoline yacht Dante in tow. The yacht was seized with 1,000 cases of alcohol on board.

VICTORIA CO. REJECTS $1,700,000 ROAD ISSUE

VICTORIA, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP) A proposal to raise bonds totaling $1,700,000 for road work in Victoria county was voted down by a majority of about five to one, according to partial returns received here tonight.

VICTIM OF HI-JACKERS IS IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 26.—Leo Knight is in a serious condition as a result of being struck on the head by hi-jackers on the Port Neches-Nederland road here early today.

VAN BUREN'S COMPANION DEAD IN CHICAGO AT 83.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Frank Coney, 83, friend and fishing companion of President Martin Van Buren, and founder of the old Detroit Mail, died today at the home of his son here.

He founded the Detroit Mail, said to have been the first paper to sell for a penny, in 1872.

THE WEATHER

Local weather conditions during the 24 hour period ending at 5 p. m. Saturday, as observed by the Wichita Electric company, follow: Maximum temperature 70; minimum 38; at 5 p. m. Saturday 67; west breeze; clear; average wind velocity 7 miles per hour; maximum 11; barometer 29.15.

OKLAHOMA: Sunday probably fair, severe cold wave, temperature near zero Sunday night; Monday fair, continued cold.

EAST TEXAS: Sunday unsettled, severe cold wave, severe freeze in interior Sunday and below freezing to coast Sunday night; Monday generally fair, colder in south portion strong northerly winds on the coast. Sunday protect livestock.

WEST TEXAS: Sunday unsettled, severe cold wave; temperature near zero in north portion and 16 to 26 in south portion Sunday night.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR WEEK.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: West gulf states: Much colder Monday or Tuesday, continued cold middle of week; moderating temperature latter part; rains over south and snows or rains over north portion at beginning and again latter part.

STERN RULES FOR PRISONERS

Barbarous Treatment Is Accorded Men in Soviet Camps

BY CHRISTIAN HUSUM.
Special Cable to The Record News and Chicago Daily News.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 24.—A sensational document showing barbarous treatment of political prisoners and socialists in Russian exile prisons today is published by the Social Demokraten. The document emanates through a private source from the social Demokrat immigrant committee in Berlin to which it was sent by socialists interned in the soviet prison in Tobolsk.

It says:

"Dear Comrades:

"It has been said that the bolsheviks have abolished concentration camps for political prisoners, socialists and anarchists at Solovetski island in the White sea and that the majority of those prisoners were sent to Verkne Uralsk, while thousands of others were sent to the former prison of Tobolsk in Siberia. But this is untrue.

"At Solovetski island, there are still many political prisoners, mostly laborers who participated in strikes prohibited by the soviet government. These prisoners are treated inhumanly by the guards who themselves were formerly sentenced for murder. A whole graveyard was found on the island in which the socialists sandomir and Aranowitsch and the women Marzynkewitsch and Boru were buried.

KIDNAPER GETS BABY IN SAN ANTONIO WOMAN'S HOME

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.—(AP) Police today sought the kidnaper of a 19 months old girl, the child of Mrs. J. R. Barber. The baby was snatched from its mother's arms in her home last night after a tenacious struggle, she said. The abductor then departed in an automobile.

YAP DEVASTATED BY A HUGE TIDAL WAVE

TOKYO, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A report from the navy department today stated that the tidal wave and storm which struck the Island of Yap on December 15 broke two wireless antennae poles and damaged virtually every building along the coast. No casualties were reported. Both cable and wireless communication was suspended for a short time while repairs were being made.

WORLD WAR VETERAN ENDS LIFE AFTER FIXING TREE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—After placing the last trinket on a Christmas tree which he had prepared for his young daughter, Bryan Coleman, 27-year-old world war veteran, shot himself today at his home in Roosevelt, L. I. He died two hours later.

"I wonder if this blame thing works?" Coleman remarked as he pulled the trigger of the revolver.

DALLAS TRAVELING MAN DENIES ATTACK ON GIRL

DALLAS, Dec. 24.—Charged with criminal assault on an 18-year-old Dallas girl at her home yesterday, Arthur Lock, traveling salesman, was arrested at his home last night. He denied that he forced entrance into the girl's home while relatives were away and attacked her as alleged by the girl. He told District Attorney Shelby Cox that he had visited the girl yesterday and an argument had ensued.

Sole leather stuffed with greases wears 20 per cent longer than the same type of leather before treatment, tests by the U. S. Bureau of standards show.

Frauleins Sad as Tommies Leave Rhine



One of intimately human sidelights to departure of British "Watch on the Rhine" from Cologne and adjacent territory under terms of Locarno treaty. "Tommy Atkins" is seen bidding farewell to a good hausfrau, who seems sorry at the parting, as many frauleins were.

Truce Declared In War Between Church and Pope

BY HIRAM K. MODERWELL.
Special Cable to The Record News and Chicago Daily News.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—One year ago Monsignor Ceretti, the pope's nuncio in Paris was waging what appeared to some persons to be a hopeless struggle against growing assaults of French anti-clericalism.

This noon at Elysee palace, in the presence of President Doumergue and Premier Briand, Monsignor Ceretti received an insignia symbolizing his new rank as a prince of the church.

The ceremony was accurately adjusted to symbolize the complicated circumstances under which it occurred.

Ceretti's elevation to Cardinal is the pope's tribute to his skillful and uncompromising diplomatic fight but the imposition of the Biretta by the French government symbolized the desire of the anti-clerical government to maintain this secular privilege, especially to counteract the charges that it wishes to persecute religion.

The pope agreed, but a new difficulty arose when it was recalled that President Doumergue was a protestant. A compromise ceremony was then arranged under which President Doumergue was to preside but the Biretta was to be picked up from the table and placed on Ceretti's head by Cardinal Dubois, archbishop of Paris.

This event marks a formal truce in the long struggle between the vatican and French anti-clericalism. Relations today are exactly as they were before Premier Herriot threatened a complete break with the vatican and what Catholics interpreted as bitter persecution of religious orders.

AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The chamber of deputies today accepted the senate amendments to the bill giving force to Article 27 of the constitution, defining foreigners' property irghts in Mexico. The measure will become a law when promulgated by President Calles. The president, however, is privileged to modify the details if he so chooses, returning the modified bill to congress for aproval.

PACKERS ANNOUNCE FAIR VOLUME OF TRADE IN MEATS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The volume of trade in meats is fair with the price trend easier, packers advise. Beef prices have eased somewhat, in spite of fair demand. Similarly fresh pork business is good with larger sales at firm prices.

3 W. S. Prisoners Get Freedom As A Christmas Gift

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Santa Claus will bring freedom from prison walls Christmas morning to the three best military prisoners at the United States disciplinary barracks at Fort Leavenworth. They are Eddie L. Hornsby, William G. Privett and James Johnson.

Each year one-third of one per cent of the prison population, chosen as the best by Colonel G. O. Cress, commandant, are granted executive clemency by the secretary of war as a Christmas present. This year there were a few more than 900 within the walls.

CHANCE FOR TREATY FAILS

OLSO, Dec. 24.—Preparations for an arbitration treaty with Denmark, corresponding to the treaty with Sweden, received a setback when the Danish government refused to pay $16,600, for damage and loss to the Norwegian hunting ship, Quest, which under dangerous circumstances rescued the Danish crew of the wrecked steamship Greenland.

IRRIGATION APPROVED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Mexican senate today unanimously passed the irrigation bill, sponsored by President Calles. The measure which was adopted by the chamber of deputies December 10, now is given to the president for approval.

Load Too Heavy For Denver Bank Says W. S. Officer

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—W. J. Wailey, governor of the Federal Reserve bank of the tenth district, which includes Colorado, declared today that the failure of two national banks in Denver, followed by the closing of three state institutions had not endangered the situation in Colorado in general.

"The situation in Denver is not at all bad," he said. "It was due largely to what is supposed to have been the action of one man extending his credit in buying bank stocks and then trying to carry it all.

LEFT GREAT FORTUNE.

Western Union Magnate Owned Interest in Steel Trust.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—(AP)—The late Colonel Robert C. Clowry, who rose from messenger boy to president of the Westeren Union Telegraph company, left an estate valued at $1,071,720, according to an appraisal filed today. Colonel Clowry died last February.

The appraisal revealed that at the time of his death he owned more stock in the United States Steel corporation, than in the company which he had headed.

Bombay has opened a public library and reading room exclusively for women.

Season's Greetings

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5-Year-Old Boy Scalded to Death

J. BARLEYCORN GIVES BUTLER FIRST LICKING

Fighting Marine, in His Battle On Rum, Worked Himself Out of Job

DRY WAR MET PROTEST

But There Was No Opposition When He Fought Vice and Bandits

"PLAYING WITH DYNAMITE."
PHILADELPHIA MAYOR TOLD.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—(AP)—City councilman William W. Roper, also head coach of the Princeton university football team, at a special meeting of the council today warned Mayor Kendrick that he was "playing with dynamite" in the matter of law enforcement.
Roper drew attention to the charges made by General Butler that Mayor Kendrick balked at enforcing liquor laws against large hotels. "I merely want to say at this time that in my opinion Mayor Kendrick is playing with dynamite."

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, the untamable, unconquerable marine, whose tunic bears medals attesting his gallantry on many a sanguinary battlefield, this week took the first "licking" of his careerand his vanquisher was that doughty warrior, old John Barleycorn.

The first "jam" that General Butler got into when he made his spectacular entry into Philadelphia as a crusading police chief two years ago was over the demon rum. The last "jam" that he got into before he was handed his summary dismissal by Mayor Kendrick was over the same subject. And all in between times, practically everyone of the "jams" that he got into at city hall resulted from his attitude toward the liquor question.

There was little protest when Butler, newly installed, sent his battleaxe squadrons into the vice belt to smash and crash questionable resorts into submission. There was less protest when he sent his flying squadrons out in swift automobiles, with riot guns, to shoot bandits on sight.

Split on Rum Question.

But there was plenty of protest when Butler set out to dry up the city from the slums to the gilded cafes and the high class hotels. And whether or not he was right about it, Butler got the idea that Mayor Kendrick was seeking to protect certain "wet" in-

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With Thermometer At 18, He Walks Barefoot in Snow

KANSAS CITY, M., Dec. 26—(AP) Downtown shoppers were astonished this afternoon to see a barefooted, bareheaded man walking indifferently along the street in the teeth of a bitter north wind with the snow swirling about his bare feet and the temperature about 18 degrees.

"Too much Christmas liquor," he told Traffic Officer Wickstrom, who arrested him. "I felt like giving something away, so made gifts of my hat and shoes."

"Come along before your benevolence extends to the rest of your wardrobe," said Wickstrom, as he led him to a patrol wagon.

FLORIDA BOUND STEAMER AGROUND IN CHESAPEAKE BAY

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The two masted schooner Minnie and Emma, Florida bound from Baltimore was reported aground near Tangier island light in Chesapeake Bay off the coast of Virginia in a message received today by C. C. Paul and company, ship's brokers. The crew was reported in danger.

GANGSTERS STAGE BATTLE AT RESORT, 3 ARE KILLED

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A renewal of gang warfare, from which Brooklyn has been free for nearly a year was believed responsible for the pistol battle early today in the Adonis social club, a South Brooklyn resort, in which Richard (Peg Leg) Lonergan and two others were killed as the climax of a Christmas night party.

Lonergan was known to police as a member of the "white hand gang."

CHINESE BATTLE IS OVER TIENTSIN QUIET AGAIN

TIENTSIN, China, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Quiet was restored in Tientsin today after the chaos resulting from the defeat of the Chihli army of General Li Ching Ling, former civil governor of the province and the occupation of the city by Marshal Feng Yu-Hsiang's Kuominchun national peoples army) forces on Thursday.

DRUSE REBELS IN SYRIA SIGN FOR PEACE, IS REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—An Exchange telegraph dispatch from Bagdad gives a report brought by a convoy from Syria that the chiefs of the Druse tribesmen in Syria have accepted peace proposals offered by the French authorities.

His Ballot Power Lost, Ludendorff Apes W. J. Bryan

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—General Erich Ludendorff, Germany's war time quartermaster general, and now leader of her ultra nationalists, has taken up the cause of prohibition, following the example of William Jennings Bryan, and David Lloyd George, who turned to this cause after their political power had waned.

General Ludendorff was asked to contribute to a book professor Hans Schmidt is writing on "why Germany lost the war."

The formed organizer of armies replied that the author might render a greater service with a book in support of prohibition. He has demanded that the dangers of alcohol be pointed out in all schools.

"We lack a compact organization and a leader for a vigorous prohibition campaign," he complained recently.

HI-JACKERS IN HANDS OF LAW

Two Under Arrest For Robbing of Men Thursday

A full confession was obtained and charges filed Saturday by the police against Sherman Helms, a Wichita Falls youth, in connection with the hi-jacking late Thursday night in which G. C. Hollingsworth, 702 Seymour, and Eddy Feaver of Kirkland lost about $11 in cash. A second man is in jail in connection with the hold-up but no complaints have as yet been made against him. Officers also said a woman was implicated in the affair.

Hollingsworth and Feaver were robbed while they were walking in the 400 block on Lamar avenue, they reported to police. A gun was leveled at them while the robbers went through their pockets.

Helms was arrested Friday by the police and Thursday morning he made a statement to Sam Spence, special investigator for the district attorney's office.

SAYS HIGHER DEGREES IN COLLEGE GO TO THE UNFIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Higher degrees in American universities are sought largely by the unfit, Frederick J. E. Woodbridge, dean of the graduate faculties of Columbia university, said in his annual report to President Nicholas Murray Butler, made public today.

The worship of academy degrees has fortunately become a form of educational idolatry, he said. "In too many places in our educational system the possession of a degree is too often regarded with higher favor than the possession of ability."

Kay In Charge At Bible Class Today

Judge John C. Kay, teacher of the Kay Bible class for men, will be back Sunday morning to take charge of the regular meeting in the Strand theatre it was announced Saturday.

The popular attorney has been on the recuperative list for the past two weeks as a result of a near-tragic hunting accident near San Antonio. His left hand was badly injured in an accidental discharge of his gun, and while the wound has not yet healed Judge Kay will be able to assume his post.

HUNTER ACCIDENTALLY KILLED NEAR SAN BABA

SAN BABA, Texas, Dec. 26.—John Comer, aged 28 years, was accidentally shot and killed Friday afternoon while hunting in the T. A. Norred pasture 15 miles southwest of San Baba.

FAMOUS EYE SPECIALIST DIES IN SOUTHERN HOSPITAL.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Dr. Marcus Feingold, widely known specialist in diseases of the eye, died at a hospital here this afternoon. He had been sick for several months.

2 WEST TEXANS DEAD AFTER GUN BATTLE ON ROAD

Charles Baxter of Carlsbad Is Dead; Slayer Takes Own Life.

THIRD MAN IS HELD

Grim Death Battle Follows Meeting of Two Men in Autos on Highway.

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Charles Baxter, 30, Carlsbad, Texas, farmer, and Frank Reagan, 45 of Camp Wood, shot out their differences on the Ozona-Sonora road just within the border line of Sutton county Saturday afternoon and both are dead. An inquest, conduced by Justice S. H. Stokes of Sonora, found that Baxter was murdered and that Reagan committed suicide following the gun duel.

A man named D. Ory, who accompanied Reagan is held in jail here as accessory in fact to the saying of Baxter. Examining trial has been set for Monday.

The body of Baxter was taken to Ozona Saturday evening, where relatives of Mrs. Baxter reside, while the body of Reagan was brought here pending word from relatives at Camp Wood.

The Battle

The shooting transpired without warning in the roadway when the drivers of the cars met and recognized each other. With the machine yet in motion, Reagan is said to have fired at Baxter through the windshield of Baxter's machine, Baxter replying with a Winchester. One bullet broke Baxter's left wrist and two others from a 30-30 entered his breast. One bullet from Baxter's gun plowed through Reagan's hat. As Baxter slumped in his seat, Reagan, who had gotten out of his car, said "I tell you all goodbye," turned his gun on himself, the discharge taking off the top of his head, according to testimony at the inquest.

Ory Called Officers

As the shooting started, Ory jumped from the Reagan car and ran back to the Willie Wilkinson ranch house, from whence he called officers. Neither Mrs. Baxter or the five children with them were injured.

Sheriff B. W. Hutcherson and Justice Stokes, conducting the inquest, questioned Mrs. Baxter and Ory. Mrs. Baxter said that her husband lived just long enough to tell her to get him to a hospital and notify his relatives. Further quizzing brought out that Ory had filed a complaint charging Baxter with the theft of clothes.

Aged Ozona Citizen Is Burned to Death

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Sam Smith, 78, was burned to death at Ozona shortly after noon Saturday when fire starting from an oil heater blast destroyed his residence with property loss of $4,000. Mrs. Smith, who escaped flames, thought her husband had gone from the house a few moments before. When he did not appear later, search of the ruins revealed his body. Funeral is to be Sunday.

EX-GOVERNOR QUITS AS PRISON PAPER'S EDITOR

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 26.—(AP)—After serving for 15 months as editor of "Good Words," the monthly magazine of the Atlanta federal penitentiary former Gov. Warren T. McCray of Indiana, has relinquished the editorial pen, due to high blood pressure.

W. TEXAS WOMAN OBSERVES HER HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY

CISCO, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Wood, living at Nimrod, ten miles southwest of here, celebrated her one hundredth birthday Christmas day.

JIM TO SAN ANTONIO

AUSTIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Former Governor James E. Ferguson left early today for a business trip to San Antonio. He is expected to return Sunday or Monday, perhaps going to Houston before returning here.

Garment Cleansing Week To Start In Wichita Falls Today

Sunday morning marks the beginning of school children's garment cleansing week in Wichita Falls.

Last week the cleaners and dyers of the city presented some six thousand coupons to the school children of the city, through their teachers, each coupon entitling the child to have its garments cleaned and pressed without charge. These coupons are good for this week only.

"This is a gigantic undertaking, said one prominent cleaner yesterday and we sincerely hope that the general public will co-operate to the fullest extent with us. Statistics show a decided increase in preventable diseases after the holidays and this is our contribution to the health of our community to stamp out this increase in sickness.

"Dry cleaning is germicidal. That fact has been brought out through elaborate laboratory tests. Children at play during the holidays, are more apt to come in contact with disease germs, than during the time they are going to and from school. Then, too, the clothes hang in dark closets, which are almost always lurking places of disease germs.

Every parent should avail themselves of this opportunity to have their children's garments cleaned dur-

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Opera in English, With Saxaphones Moaning And Banjos Playing, Is Hit in Chicago; Composer Kissed

A. Franke Harling Almost Collapses in Lobby Of Theatre When Men and Women, With Open Arms and Moist Lips, Rush to Pay Tribute to Work.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Opera-in-English enthusiasts broke all bounds today when A. Franke Harling, Boston composer at the conclusion of the world premiere of his "A Light From St. Agnes," was pursued into the lobby of the Auditorium theatre and kissed repeatedly.

Harling conducted his own opera, the first to introduce the saxophone and banjo and with the Chicago Civic Opera artists received the plaudits of society and the music lovers in the galleries but the real demonstration occurred when he reached the lobby.

At least 200 men hugged and kissed him. Women were as emotional as the men, and Harling escaped them almost in a state of collapse, fleeing to his hotel room.

The composeer formerly was musical director at West Point Military Academy where he composed "The Corps."

Was Swept Off His Feet.

The Saturday afternoon and Monday evening operas generally are attended by Chicago's society leaders, and those who Hobsonized the young composer were not latins swept off their feet by the power from music

He literally was swept off his feet by those who sought to express their appreciation of his efforts, and, worn by his unusual experience, retired to his hotel room immediately after his opera had been presented.

Harling is a rather small young man. His appearance is that of a young business man, with none of the flowing hair or other characteristics of the typical young jazz musician. His musical career included choir work in St. Paul's church at Brookline, Mass., the Church of the Advent at Boston, and the Grace church in New York.

Is Given Prize Medal.

This afternoon he was presented the David Bispham medal by the American Opera society which gives the medal annually for meritorious works in English.

The liberetto, "A Light From St. Agnes" was prepared by Minnie Madden Fiske, the American actress who now is playing in St. Louis. She kept in close touch with its reception today by wire and was one of the first to congratulate Harling.

Tomorrow another American opera, Namiko-San, will be presented for the third time this season.

ESCAPED TEXAS PRISONER HELD

Is Caught in Waco After Telegraphing His Desire To Surrender.

WACO, Texas, Dec. 26.—Mally Warden, white, who escaped from Blue Ridge prison farm Christmas eve and spent Christmas day with his wife and four-year-old son in Waco, was recaptured at 5 p. m. today by Sheriff Leslie Stegall and Deputy Joe Roberts as he was waiting for an answer to a wire to Capt. C. H. Addison of the prison farm, asking for fare back to prison. "I was going to give myself up," he said, "in order to get credit for good behavior. I have only a month to serve that way, and eleven months if I serve the full term."

Warden was sent up from Corsicana for forgery. He said he borrowed a car from some Italians who were visiting the farm and drove it to Houston, leaving it in front of the Rice hotel, then catching a train for Waco.

HEAD OF BANK DEPARTMENT QUITS TO TAKE POLICE JOB.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—George V. McLaughlin, state superintendent of banks announced today his acceptance of the office of police commissioner offered him several days ago by Mayor-elect James J. Walker.

He will take office on Jan. 1, when Mr. Walker becomes mayor.

France Is Fearing Cabinet Shakeup

PARIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The government and the parties which compose its majority in the chamber of deputies now are providing the extraordinary spectacle of a frantic race to forestall each other in the presentation of a financial program to parliament.

This situation gives rise to the prospect that the new year will start off politically with another cabinet crisis. The seriousness of this is heightened by Premier Briand's declaration that he will make no further partial changes in his ministry. If Finance Minister Doumer's projects are rejected it will mean the rejection of the whole cabinet.

Woman's Bravery In Fire Saves 12

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Twelve children were rescued from a burning apartment building here this evening by Mrs. L. R. Shipp of Corsicana, visiting Mrs. G. R. Davis, who lived in the building damaged. They included three of Mrs. Shipp's own children, two of the Davis' and seven others.

R. L. Culley, 30, was slightly injured when a trunk thrown from an upstairs window struck him on the forehead. Damage to the building and furniture was placed at $16,000.

FEDERAL JUDGE'S DAUGHTER BRIDE OF FRENCH NOBLEMAN

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26.—(AP) Anne Lewis Hughes, daughter of Circuit Judge Robert E. Lewis, and Marquis Henri de Campiegne, a member of the French nobility, were married here today. They left tonight for New York en route to Europe.

DENIES HARDING LETTERS BURNED

Rumor Said All Data About Adminstration Was Destroyed by Widow

METRION, Ohio, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Denial was made here today by Hoke Donithen, chairman of the Harding memorial association that Mrs. Warren G. Harding had burned practically all of the letters pertaining to her husband's administration.

Donithen's statement was called forth by the published story that these letters had been burned.

The only file that Mrs. Harding brought from Washington, Donithen said, consisted of the president's personal and confidential letters to and from friends. She discarded those she did not regard as worthy of preservation.

LATE

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Liquor and beer valued at between $100,000 and $125,000 were seized in a series of raids this afternoon and tonight by three details of federal agents.

NEW YORK—Billy Wells of England was disqualified in the seventh round of a 10-round welterweight match here tonight against Harry Dudley of California for using the back hand blow.

CHICAGO—Governors of 24 states have been invited to attend a Jackson day dinner here January 8 under the auspices of the Iroquois club.

MINNEAPOLIS—The body of Mrs. Frances Wanzer, 60, an invalid, who saved her 13-year-old granddaughter when fire wrecked an apartment building but was unable to save herself, was found in ice-covered ruins of the building tonight.

PHILADELPHIA—Thomas Grady, 68, eccentric comedian who appeared with "The Gorilla," now playing here, died in Jefferson hospital tonight.

BELLAIRE, Ohio—Eight of the nine victims of Webb mine disaster of Tuesday were laid to rest this afternoon after a joint funeral service conducted in Miners' Temple and attended by 10,000 miners.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—Papers in the separation suit by Count Ludwig Szim Von Hoogstraten were served today on his wife, the former Millicent Rogers.

SCIENCE ASSOCIATION TO MEET SOON IN KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Leaders in scientific work from all sections of the United States with representatives from Canada and Great Britain, will be here next week, beginning Monday for the eighty-second annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

FLORIDA EXPRESS STILL CONGESTED; EMBARGO STAYS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26 (AP)—Walter Buckner of the Seminole division of the American Railway Express company said today that the express congestion here has not been cleared up as rapidly as had been hoped, but that it was hoped to raise the embargo within a few days.

NO TOBACCO LEAGUE URGES DAWES TO QUIT THE WEED

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Vice President Charles G. Dawes was importuned today by the No Tobacco league to make a New Year's resolution to refrain from the use of tobacco.

IOWA FARMERS TO MEET TO DISCUSS SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP) Iowa's delegation in congress today voted to go in a body to Des Moines to attend a meeting Tuesday at which the agricultural situation will be discussed.

TAX BILL WILL SEE ROUGH RIDE YET, IS BELIEF

Although It Slid Through The House Easily, It May Be Lost in Senate

DEMOCRATS BALK

Long and Stubborn Fight Is Due When Bill Comes Up, Experts Believe.

BY ROBERT T. SMALL.
Special to The Record News.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—There is every reason to believe that a long and stubborn fight confronts the Coolidge-Mellon tax bill in the senate. It was pointed out in these dispatches some time ago that when a tax measure passed the house of representatives it had scarcely begun its journey into the realm of the revised statutes of these United States. The senate has a pernicious and persnickety way of wrecking many things that come from the house. The senate has to do that to show it is a deliberative and a powerful body.

The ease with which the new reduction bill slid through the house during the first two weeks of the new session seemed to indicate to many persons that this time there was going to be a change—an exception to the rule. This conclusion was jumped to largely because of the fact that the democrats of the house appeared to be hypnotized by their republican brothers during the consideration of the bill and most of them voted as good republicans in jamming the measure through in quick step time.

Senate Democrats Different.

But evidently the democrats of the senate are a different ilk. They are not to be stampeded into hasty action either by the administration, by

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Bank Clearings Show a Decrease

Bank clearings for the week ending December 26 are on the decrease, according to a statement issued by the Wichita Falls Clearing House association Saturday.

Clearings for the week follow:

Monday	$ 696,741.58
Tuesday	662,620.47
Wednesday	669,399.36
Thursday	628,165.69
Friday	Holiday
Saturday	582,750.10
Total	$3,229,407.30
Last week	3,632,682.85
Decrease	$ 402,275.55

2 Girls Attacked; White Man Jailed

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A white man was brought to the county jail here today from Fairbanks where he was charged with attacking two girls 14, and 16 in their home there about noon.

The report said that the man, who was riding a bicycle, stopped at the home of the girls and finding them alone attempted to assault them. One was bruised while struggling with her assailant. The other ran screaming out of the house and the man fled.

Three hours later a suspect was arrested. His bicycle was said to have been stolen in Houston.

Chicago Cold Too Fierce for Bears

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.S—(AP)—It was too cold here today for acclimated polar bears. When the temperature hovered about zero a newspaper photographer went to Lincoln park to picture the two white bears there enjoying a breath from the home land. Instead they were crouched far back in their den and food, pleading nor threat was sufficient to coax them out.

FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF EUCHARIST MEET IS MADE

CHICAGO Dec. 26. — (AP) — George Cardinal Mundelin tonight sent to 350 Roman Catholic churches in the archdiocese of Chicago his first official announcement of the International Eucharistic congress to be held here next June 20-24.

The letter translated into nine languages, will be read from the pulpits of all the churches tomorrow and each parishoner will receive a copy of it.

PICKS SHOOTING GALLERY AS SETTING FOR SUICIDE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Charles J. Smith who walked with two crutches, went into a downtown shooting gallery today, laid down a nickel, fired one shot at the target and, the other through his head. He died.

HANDS BLOWN OFF, BOY SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES

CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 26.—(AP)—His hands blown off by the explosion of dynamite caps which he found and to which he touched a match, Jesse Downs, 10, of Charleston, Mo., died in a hospital here.

Men, What Have We Left? Ladies Now Don Smoking Suits

LODON, Dec. 25.—(AP)—The latest feminine invasion of preserves hitherto exclusively masculine has taken the form of the "smoking suit" for women.

These suits consist of jackets and trousers in Chinese style, in dark colors and heavily embroidered. They are being worn at the "smoking parties" for women which are popular in smart circles this season.

The papers recorded that at a recent feminine "smoking party" fifty brands of cigarettes were passed around, in addition to light cigars and pipe tobacco of delicate flavors.

COLD WAVE TO HIT HERE TODAY

Winter's Most Severe Weather On Way to Texas, Forecast Says

North Texas was given orders from weather headquarters Saturday to prepare today for what may be winter's most severe onslaught. Storm warnings came in from all directions, bolstered by reports of sub zero temperatures, snow and ice in the far northwest.

A whistling norther, it was reported, is headed this way and is due to strike by Sunday night at the latest.

Below freezing temperatures were forecast for southern Oklahoma and Northern Texas by Monday, with prospects of the cold wave enduring for most of the week.

As a prelude to his promised rigors, the weather man for Christmas day and yestereday provided a climate warm and brilliant. Saturday, especially, was balmy with only a light breeze prevailing. The sky was cloudless.

Christmas day itself was an inviting one outside. A gleaming sun and only a light north wind conspired to drive off most of the chill which had prevailed in the early part of the week.

However, real winter weather now seems to be setting in.

BELOW FREEZING IS PANHANDLE FORECAST.

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Another cold wave is in prospect for Texas and will probably arrive Sunday night or Monday morning, the United States weather observer announced here. Below freezing temperatures are likely in the Panhandle late Sunday.

FIVE DEATHS DUE TO COLD NEAR CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Bitter cold blasts possibly ranging down to 10 degrees below zero were predicted for Chicago and the Lake Michigan region tonight, as five deaths in Chicago were attributed to the cold.

At Minot, N. D., the federal weather bureau thermometer registered 23 below at 8 a. m.

Weather predictions for the Chicago area said that the temeperature would go to 10 below tonight.

Cotton Hull Fire Menaces Gin Here

A huge pile of blazing cotton hulls and a howling north wind presented a setting for potential disaster early Saturday night at the Wichita gin just north of the river on the Burkburnett road.

The big stack of hulls caught fire in some way about 8:30, and, fanned by a strong gale from the north, speedily developed into a decided menace around the gin buildings. Firemen were called and while they could make little headway against the fire itself, they were able to keep it from spreading.

The loss will be nominal.

FARMER SLAIN WITH AXE; KILLER THEN ENDS LIFE

POCATELLO, Idaho, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A special dispatch to the Pocatello Tribune today says Frank Thirkill, Jr., farmer, was chopped to death with an axe last night by Warren Lowery, farm hand, who today killed himself with a shot gun, in the farmer's home.

BIG FIRE AT ALEXANDRIA THREATENS NAVY PLANT.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 26.—(AP)—A fire which for a time theatened to spread to the navy torpedo storage plant did less than $50,000 damage to two grocery concern warehouses today on the water front. The cause had not been determined tonight.

Man Is Hi-Jacked

George Pierson, 1408 Travis street, was held up and robbed of $7 in cash late Saturday night as he was passing the corner of Eleventh and Travis streets. Two young men, neither of whom were masked, thrust a gun in his face, he told police, and then went through his pockets.

He was able to give officers a fairly good description of the hi-jackers and a police hunt was under way last night.

PLUNGE IN TUB OF HOT WATER FATAL FOR LAD

J. R. Riley Dies Early Saturday Night of Severe Burns.

BODY IS COOKED

He Falls in Vat While Mother Is Washing In Morning.

J. R. Riley, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Riley, died at the family residence, 2600 Filmore St., at 8:30 Saturday night from the effects of scalding burns received at 10 o'clock Saturday morning when he tumbled into a tub of boiling water in which his mother was washing clothes. His entire body was literally cooked and his life was despaired of from the first.

Washing Clothes.

Mrs. Riley was washing out some things, she said, and had a tub of water on the floor in the kitchen of the home. The boy was playing about in the room and while his mother was in another part of the house momentarily, he stumbled in some way and pitched backward into the vat. His screams brought Mrs. Riley hurrying to the rescue and he was pulled out of the tub.

Doctor Summoned.

Dr. Duane Merideth was summoned and administered medical treatment, but the lad, with most of his skin seared, was known to be in a critical condition from the first. He lived until early last night, however, before death came.

The body was removed to the Merkle funeral parlors and prepared for burial. Funeral services will be held at the home at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, in charge of Rev. A. J. Holt, pastor of the Lamar Avenue Baptist church.

Burial will be in Rosemont burial park.

The boy's father is a carpenter.

23 Dead Is Day's Record in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Tragedy stalking in the wake of Christmas festivities gave the coroner's office here the busiest day in its history today when 23 violent deaths in 24 hours, almost one an hour, were recorded.

Seven of the 23 deaths were traffic fatalities, a number resulted from burns and exposure and one from inhaling gas. Other deaths in St. Louis county swelled the total for greater St. Louis.

CREW OF BOAT, REPORTED LOST, TOW IN RUM SHIP

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—(AP) Members of the crew of a coast guard cutter who were reported missing in the Gulf of Mexico, came to New Orleans this afternoon with the eleven ton gasoline yacht Dante in tow. The yacht was seized with 1,000 cases of alcohol on board.

VICTORIA CO. REJECTS $1,700,000 ROAD ISSUE

VICTORIA, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP) A proposal to raise bonds totaling $1,700,000 for road work in Victoria county was voted down by a majority of about five to one, according to partial returns received here tonight.

VICTIM OF HI-JACKERS IS IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 26.—Leo Knight is in a serious condition as a result of being struck on the head by hi-jackers on the Port Neches-Nederland road here early today.

VAN BUREN'S COMPANION DEAD IN CHICAGO AT 83.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Frank Coney, 83, friend and fishing companion of President Martin Van Buren, and founder of the old Detroit Mail, died today at the home of his son here.

He founded the Detroit Mail, said to have been the first paper to sell for a penny, in 1872.

THE WEATHER

Local weather conditions during the 24 hour period ending at 5 p. m. Saturday, as observed by the Wichita Electric company, follow: Maximum temperature 70; minimum 36; at 5 p. m. Saturday 67; west breeze; clear; average wind velocity 7 miles per hour; maximum 11; barometer 29.15.

OKLAHOMA: Sunday probably fair, severe cold wave, temperature near zero Sunday night; Monday fair, continued cold.

EAST TEXAS: Sunday unsettled, severe cold wave, severe freeze in interior Sunday and below freezing to coast Sunday night; Monday generally fair, colder in south portion strong northerly winds on the coast. Sunday protect livestock.

WEST TEXAS: Sunday unsettled, severe cold wave; temperature near zero in north portion and 16 to 26 in south portion Sunday night.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR WEEK.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: West gulf states: Much colder Monday or Tuesday, continued cold middle of week; moderating temperature latter part; rains over south and snows or rains over north portion at beginning and again latter part.

I. H. ROBERTS FUNERAL HELD

Impressive Rites Mark Burial Of Wichita Falls Leader

Wichita Falls paused for a brief hour Saturday morning to pay its last respects to I. H. Roberts, city-builder, boy leader and revered business man for whom funeral services were held. Mr. Roberts, apparently in the prime of life, was stricken with apoplexy early last Wednesday morning and died within less than two hours.

Services were held at 10 o'clock Saturday morning in the First Presbyterian church, in charge of Dr. N. F. Grafton, pastor of the church in which Mr. Roberts had long been an active and valued worker. The big auditorium was filled to capacity with men and women from every walk of life; Wichitans who had known Mr. Roberts during his life-time and who had admired and loved him for what he was—a true servant of everybody. Men of wealth, men in straightened circumstances, business leaders, civic leaders, women prominent in the social register—all were on hand for the final and impressive service.

Boy Scouts There.

With them were the boy scouts of the city almost in entirety. They had come to pay their last tributes to the man who, more than any other, had built up the Wichita Falls boy scout organization to one of power and usefulness. As president of the scout council here Mr. Roberts had labored long and tirelessly in behalf of the scout movement; he was the first organizer of scouting in Wichita Falls; had served in practically all capacities of scouting and was recognized as the most ardent advocate of this great boy's movement.

And then with the scouts were the other organized bodies with which Mr. Roberts had been identified—the Rotary club of which he was a charter member, the Knights Templar, with whom he held high council—and others. The Templars, incidentally, took charge of the service and conducted their impressive rites in the church and at the grave in Riverside cemetery after the regular Presbyterian burial form had been conducted by Dr. Grafton. Templars served as pallbearers for the occasion, although they were accompanied by a score of Wichita Falls leaders in the capacity of honorary bearers.

Flowers in Profusion.

The church was a mass of flowers, these floral tributes having poured in in profusion. The altar in front of which the casket stood was banked high with blossoms of all shade and design. The masses of pinks and white stretched out on either side until they spilled over the side aisled and crept up above the dias. Motor trucks were requited to transport them to the cemetery where last night they were piled high above the grave.

Taking his text from the Twenty-third Psalm, Dr. Grafton in his sermon opened with the comforting passage "In my father's house are many mansions; I go to prepare a place for you." He then passed on to a glowing recital of the life and works of Mr. Roberts of the unending days of unselfish service he had devoted to Wichita Falls; of his unflagging zeal in the work of the church, of his Christian standards, his unquestioned principles and the remarkable power for good he wielded in the community.

Music was furnished by Mayor R. E. Shepherd who sang "Abide With Me;" and by a quartet composed of Miss Dorothy Burk, Mrs. Catherine Boswell, Alva Wilgus and Paul Von Ullman.

Electra Store Is Damaged by Fire

ELECTRA, Dec. 26.—Although handicapped by severe cold and a brisk north wind, firemen, tonight saved the Two Miller grocery on West Cleveland Avenue from destruction by fire. The fire broke out in the rear of the store but excellent work of the fire fighters confined the loss to $600 damages to stock. The store is between a filling station and a garage.

DEATHS

BETTY JOE SMITH.

Betty Joe, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, died Saturday morning at the family residence, 1301 Eighteenth Street after a short illness. Funeral services were held at the home Saturday afternoon with burial following in Rosemont cemetery.

BOLSHEVIKIS PUT BLAME ON THEIR RICH PEASANTS

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Ways and means for extricating Russia from her present economic and fiscal difficulties were discussed today by the communist party congress. The debate revolved around the growing power and independence of the rich peasants, known as "Kulaks," who are blamed by the Bolsheviki for failure of the government to realize its grain export plans and for other defects in the communist economic fabric.

NEW WEAPON AGAINST AIR ATTACKS IS DEVELOPED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Developing of "an entirely new weapon" for use against aircraft was disclosed tonight in the annual report of Maj. Gen. John L. Hines, chief of staff of the army. It is a 37-mm automatic cannon.

"This gun promises a velocity of 3,000-foot seconds, a possible vertical range of 15,000 feet with visible tracer range of 10,000 feet," the report said.

WAR CRY AGAINST ENGLISH RUBBER TRUST IS TAKEN UP

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Automobile stages running out of Seattle were cooperating today in a campaign to economize on rubber in an effort to bring down rubber prices. Six stages bore signs. "1776-1925. Help Hoover against English rubber trust. Economize on rubber."

MAJOR CORBETT DEAD

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Major R. W. Corbett, 73, former treasurer of the National Soldiers home here and father of Elizabeth F. Corbett authoress, died today after an illness of several weeks. A widow and three children survive.



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8 MARRIAGES HERE SATURDAY

Marriage License Clerk In Midst of Usual Holiday Rush.

The post-Christmas marriage rush here has takep a cue from other business lines and assumed land-office proportions. The holiday season has always been a favorite for marriages, it seems, and this year is proving no exception.

Eight licenses were issued Saturday at the county clerk's office, although the desk was closed most of the day. Those to whom licenses were issued were Orville Moore, Wichita Falls, and Miss Adeline Miller, Ira, Texas; Percy Jones, Wichita Falls, and Miss Mable Bentley, Wichita Falls; J. R. Ferguson, Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Veda Shelton, Wichita Falls; J. W. Perkins, Muskogee, Okla., and Anna Black, Muskogee, Okla.; J. B. Mouser, Electra, and Miss Katherine Bynum, Electra; Walter Carter, Vernon, and Mrs. Nola Martin, Vernon; Wiley Taylor, Charlie, and Miss Ollie Dickson, Burkburnett; R. M. Best, Wichita Falls, and Miss Cora Belle Cowan, Wichita Falls.

3 JAILED FOR MEDICAL THEFT

Police Recover Instruments Stolen From Dr. A. D. Patillo Here

Two men and a woman, the latter the wife of one of the men, were under arrest Saturday night following the recovery by city police of two leather bags containing an assortment of physicians and surgical instruments. The supplies and bags were valued at about $300.

The property was taken from Dr. Patillo's automobile Thursday night as it was parked at Tenth and Scott. The theft was reported to the police and Friday night the three persons were arrested in a local rooming house. A part of the missing loot was found on the Thornberry road Friday and the rest taken from the men and woman when they were apprehended.

Formal charges of theft will be filed against all three, police said.

WIDOW OF FARMER SANTA FE VICE PRESIDENT SUCCUMBS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(A)—Mrs. James E. Hurley, widof of James F. Hurley, vice president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, is dead at her apartment here. The body will be cremated Monday and the ashes taken to Topeka to be laid beside the body of her husband. She was a cousin of General Stonewall Jackson, noted Confederate leader.

MAN RESISTS ARREST.

CLARENDON, Texas, Dec. 26.—Jess Dodson, single and about 23 years of age, was shot through the chest and seriously wounded early Christmas morning when he resisted an attempted arrest by Maxey Gian, local deputy sheriff, at Lelia Lake near Clarendon. Dodson was hurried to a hospital at resting fairly well.

NICENE CREED CENTENARY DATE TO BE CELEBRATED

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Catholic priests from all parts of the archdiocese of Cincinnati which extends through several states of the middle west are expected to attend a solemn celebration of the sixteenth centenary of the Nicene creed at St. Peter Cathedral tomorrow night.

AN EXHILARATING EFFECT

A bottle of Herbize on the shelf at home is like having a doctor in the house all the time. It gives instant relief when the digestion gets out of order or the bowels fail to act. One or two doses is all that is necessary to start things moving and restore that fine feeling of exhilaration and buoyancy of spirit which belongs only to perfect health. Price 60c. Sold by all drug stores.—Adv.

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FAITH LODGE IN BIRTHDAY PARTY

Musical Masters Degree to Be Conferred Tuesday At Lodge Room

Faith Lodge, No. 1158, A. F. & A. M. will hold its annual birthday party Tuesday night at the lodge room when the Musical Masters degree will be conferred on several candidates. This fact alone is sufficient to warrant a large attendance and it is expected that with the combined birthday party feature, the lodge room will be jammed. All master Masons are invited to attend.

The lodge was instituted Dec. 20, 1921, and will observe its fourth birthday Tuesday. It now numbers 538 master Masons on its rolls. The four past masters are W. L. Hammack, P. B. Curd, Sidney Gaines and Thomas R. Wynne. Present officers are W. H. Caldwell, worshipful master; W. B. Baldwin, senior warden; Jacob B. Price, junior warden; Pat Simmons, treasurer; G. W. Curd, secretary; J. J. Bell, chaplain; Floyd Hardesty, senior steward; Carl Karges, junior steward; G. W. L. Spencer, tiler.

The following degree team will put on the work Tuesday night; Carl L. Karges, worshipful master; A. O. Thomas, senior warden; W. R. McCright, junior warden; C. O. Simmons, secretary; J. C. McDonald, senior deacon; H. L. Stout, junior deacon; J. J. Bell, chaplain; Ray Williamson, master of ceremonies; musicians, L. D. Parnell, G. E. Weber, H. E. Kurtz, J. S. Pitman and Paul Rutledge.

Juarez Club Has Christmas Party

The thanks of the Benito Juarez club, local Mexcan organization, has been extended a number of Wichitans who made possible a Christmas celebration at the club house Friday night. A large tree was decorated and an entertainment provided for about 200 Mexican children of the city, while gifts were distributed to each one.

J. B. Marlow and son, the Chemist store, the Alejandro grocery store and others supplied consignments of gifts used at the party.

Elks Club Dance On Tuesday Night

The annual Christmas and New Years reception and dance of the Elks club will be held Tuesday, December 29, at the Elks club rooms. Those on the reception committee are Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Young, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Shamburger, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Adrain, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. C. T. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lowery, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Weaver.

The arrangement committee is A. L. Huey, chairman; Charles R. Fuller and H. C. English.

DRUNKEN TRUCK DRIVER TO ROCK PILE FOR 6 MONTHS.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Six months on the rock pile and a $200 fine was the penalty assessed against Loyd Wheeler, 27, by Municipal Judge Gardner today, following a wild ride in a motor truck by Wheeler while intoxicated.

Wheeler, speeding without lights last night on the wrong side of the street crashed into two motor cars in succession within a few blocks, with police in pursuit drove recklessly through Kansas City's west side, bringing up against a stone wall in Penn Valley park.

13 LOSE LIVES AS SHOW HOUSE BURNS IN MANILA.

MANILA, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Thirteen natives were killed and nearly a hundred injured in a fire which destroyed a moving picture theater in the town of Opon, Cedu province, on Christmas eve.

An American named Barnum saved many lives when he cut an opening in the wall with an axe enabling hundreds to escape when the regular exit was jammed.

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SOLONS LOST ONLY CHANCE

Legislature Unable to Meet Now, Could Have Remdied Trouble Last Year

By S. RAYMOND BROOKS.
Record News Staff.

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—A peak of foresight is worth a peck of aftermatch, leaders of the legislative "putsch" have decided.

The legislature has the power to meet at any time, or to be in session whenever emergencies arise throughout its two-year term, Speaker Lee Satterwhite and special session advocates are sorrowfully remembering.

Failure to prepare for emergencies, when the house could have done so, reopened two questions: one, whether members should be willing to accept the pay provided—$2 per day after the first 60 days.

The other is the whole pay dilemma of legislators.

Resubmission of an amendment to allow $5 for every day, instead of only the first 60 of the regular session and the sessions called by the governor, may follow the unfortunate and unhappy experience of recent months.

Always Able Members.

The state will always be able to find able members to serve, whatever the salary, it is insisted.

Instead of having thrown away its control of sessions, the legislature last March might have provided by routine proceedings, to meet at any time during the two years. It might have provided for a one-day per month session through the two years. It could have provided for quarterly sessions; when if there was nothing to do, it could have recessed another three months.

True, the members would have received but $2 a day; but they would have been conscious of having control over what the sessions did. They would not have been dependent on the governor's call, nor restricted to what she submitted.

The legislature solemnly tacks on the "emergency clause" on every bill it passes reciting "an imperative public necessity exists,' for the law to be instantly operative, even when neither authors nor anybody else expects to make use of the emergency relief. It may become a settled custom, based on the experience of recent session attempts, to preserve the legislature's power to convene at any time and to transact whatever it may see fit, as a far less irrational procedure than the endless emergency clause enactments on all laws.

Liberty Bell To Toll New Year's

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The sound of Liberty Bell, silent since it cracked while tolling for the funeral of Chief Justice Marshall, 90 years ago, will be heard again New Year's eve when its tone will be broadcasted in celebration of the beginning of America's sesquicentennial anniversary.

The historic bell will be tapped by Mrs. Freeland Kendrick, wife of Mayor Kendrick, as midnight ushers in the 150th year of independence for the United States.

Coolidge to Hear Boy Violin Artise

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Eddie Dyer, 8-year-old violinist of this city, left for Washington last night to play for President and Mrs. Coolidge. Peter Kurtz, a violinist of Auburn, has undertaken the boy's musical training and has induced the Auburn Kiwanis club to assist financially.

NEW MUSIC PRODIGY IS DISCOVERED IN RUSSIA.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—Berlin music lovers are hailing the advent of a new musical prodigy in the person of 16-year-old Raja Garbusova, a Russian girl cellist from Tiflis, whom some critics have placed in the same category with Pablo Casals, king of cellists.

Raja was discovered by S. Meyrovitch, an American engineer in Russia, who made possible her appearances before German and French audiences. Since she was eight years old the blonde, curly haired, blue eyed Raja has been playing an instrument usually considered to require too much strength for a woman to achieve more than mediocrity on it. Raja Garbusove, critics say, plays the cello "as though she had been born with it."

FORMER KAISER CUTS WOOD AND GIVES TO POOR FOLKS.

DOORN, Dec. 26.—William Hohenzollern preached a sermon, wore the uniform of a Prussian general and sat on a throne, all on Christmas, to say nothing of sending a poor family wood that he had chopped himself.

KIP'S PUBLIC TRIAL IS DEFENDED BY ATTORNEY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Isaac N. Mills, trial counsel for wealthy Leonard Kip Rhinelander in his unsuccessful annulment suit, defends the public trial of the suit in a letter published today in the New York World.

Local Company Pays Promptly After Death Of Well Known Citizen

Very shortly after the death last Wednesday, of I. H. Roberts, the Wichita Home Insurance company's check for $1,000 was handed to Mrs. Roberts, the beneficiary.

Mr. Roberts became a policy-holder in the Wichita Home Insurance company soon after it was organized, in 1921.

This company has a notable record for prompt settlement of death claims and its record was maintained in this case.—Adv.

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Scientist Expects To Find Trace Earliest Human Life on Earth By Exploring Mongolia Next Spring

Leader of Third Asiatic Expedition Thinks "Dune Dwellers" Lived More 20,000 Years Ago; Stone Arrow Heads and Spear Points Are Found.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—Belief that the earliest evidences of human life in the world will be found in the Gobi Desert in Mongolia was expressed here recently by Roy Chapman Andrews, leader of the Third Asiatic and other expeditions into Mongolia and finder of many dinosaur eggs, when he lectured at Avondale.

Mr. Andrews, who returned from Mongolia last fall and who plans to enter it again next spring, told, to the accompaniment of motion pictures and slides, of his findings. The title of his lecture was "Lifting the Veil From Mysterious Mongolia."

In stating that he expected to find the earliest evidences of human life in Mongolia, Mr. Andrews said he based his belief upon findings made by the Third Asiatic Expedition. There included stone scrapers of the Mousterian type, which in Europe are contemporaneous with the Neanderthal man, and a late paleolithic culture somewhat corresponding to the Azilian of Europe. Members of the expedition named these people the "Dune Dwellers" because they inhabited sand dunes on the shores of ancient lakes. They date back about 20,000 years. Remains found by the expedition consist of old fireplaces containing ashes, bits of charred bones and wood and thousands of flint chips, scrapers and drills.

Stone Implements Found.

A Neolithic, or new stone age, culture characterized by stone arrow heads and spear points, finely worked scrapers, flint knives and crude handmade pottery likewise was found by the expedition.

"These discoveries in the first season's work are very significant," Mr. Andrews said. "Having found such widely separated horizons it is certain that the whole chapter of stone age history is to be read in Asia as well as in Europe. It means that most important light can be thrown on the origin and migrations of the primitive races of the world if the investigations in Asia are continued.

"Although no bones of primitive humans were found this year, it is certain that in some localities they have been preserved and that eventually they will be found."

Probably the most important findings of the expedition, aside from the "leads" to the finding of primitive man, were those dinosaur eggs 10,000,000 years old, skulls of cretaceous mammals, and the feet and legs of the giant Baluchitherium, the largest land mammal that ever lived.

"'Bigger and better eggs,' was our slogan," Mr. Andrews said of the dinosaur eggs, "and one nest of 12 eggs are finer than any yet discovered. Also several new types of dinosaur eggs were discovered. New and very perfect skulls and skeletons of dinosaurs were discovered, and we now have the complete story of why and how the dinosaur eggs were preserved in this one locality.

"Six skulls of cretaceous mammals were found in the dinosaur egg strata. In the cretaceous, or Age of Reptiles, mammals are extremely rare. With one exception, these are the oldest mammal skulls in the world. They are in the transition stage—really are linked—in the evolution of mammals out of reptiles."

The expedition determined that Mongolia is the oldest continuously dry country in the world, having been a continuously dry continent probably for 20,000,000 years.

A fleet of motor cars and 125 camels were used by the expedition. The cars traveled 10,000 miles and were sold for more than they cost in America. As a result of the use of automobiles, 10 years' work was done in one, and the region has been opened up for motor transportation, Mr. Andrews said.

"The motor car will be the 'covered wagon' of the Gobi Desert in Mongolia, the most extensive undeveloped and unexplored region now left in the world," said Mr. Andrews. "The automobile will be to this quarter of the globe what the ox-drawn and horse-drawn canvas-topped wagon was to America's great West, and it is conceivable that some scenario writer of the future will give us a screen drama of Central Asia comparable to the splendid picture based on Emerson Hugh's book.

Territory Is Described.

"Here is a practically unknown territory half as large as the United States, Alaska excluded. If you put Mongolia down on the map of the United States it would extend from Washington on the east to Nevada on the west, and from Austin, Texas, on the south to the Canadian border. It has never been open to the world, because of the impossibly slow traffic of camel trains, the only means of communication. But now it is being criss-crossed in every direction by motor cars.

"The automobile and I went through some thrilling and extraordinary adventures together. For one thing, I believe I can say truthfully that I am the only man in the world who ever shot a mountain sheep from the seat of a motor car. I was able to do it because, apparently, the sheep was so astonished to see such a strange creature as a motor car in its rocky domain that it forgot to run away.

"It happened one day while I was driving up and down a series of steep ridges in the Altai Mountains. Everybody knows that the mountain sheep is about the most timid creature in the world. Bagging one of them is a rare event, for the hunter must not only be a mountain climber of rare ability, but an exceptional shot. When I first saw the one that I got it was standing on a point of rock high above me. Stopping the car, I grabbed my rifle, expecting to see the sheep go bounding away. Instead the animal, astounded and curious, took a few steps ahead to get a better view of this queer creature that had invaded its fastnesses. It stood motionless in full view and I brought it down at the first shot.

"We had another adventure that was full of peril for all in the party as well as for the car. One of the most important finds we made on this expedition was the fossilized remains of the giant Baluchitherim, the largest mammal that ever lived. Something like three million years ago this great beast had sunk in quicksand and been fossilized there in an upright position. We recovered the feet and part of the legs of the animal.

Automobile Is Stuck.

"It was while crossing the bed of an old rival near by that we nearly shared the fate of the Baluchitherium. The man I sent ahead to look for quicksands reported that everything was all right. The sand was smooth and apparently firm. I started across and quickly ran the speed up to 30 miles an hour. The speed saved our lives. When we were about half way over the back of the car suddenly sank as though we had run over a pit covered with glass. But the speed carried the front of the car over the quicksand, and the front wheels hung on firm ground. The back of the car had sunk almost out of sight, but we yanked it out with another in which other members of the party were riding. But for that patch of firm ground another party of explorers some millions of years hence might have found a fossilized automobile many feet down in the sand.

"Many times we staked our lives on the dependability of the cars, of which we had five. Our supplies including gasoline and oil, were carried by a camel train which left three months ahead of us and camped at a well 700 miles out in the desert. We followed, carrying enough gasoline to take us that distance. From this central point we made trips of 400 or 500 miles into the desert, always with only one car. If anything had happened to that car we would have suffered great hardships and might have starved to death or died of thirst in the desert. But nothing ever happened. We traveled 5,000 miles in the desert, which is equal to 25,000 miles as least on American roads, and we never had to make even the slightest repairs on an engine.

"Probably the most bitter experience we had was on the nearly 700 miles run from Kalgan, China, on a previous trip to Urga, the capital of Mongolia. The temperature was 50 degrees below zero, and we did not dare to let the engine stop even for an instant throughout the entire trip or it would have frozen. No antifreeze mixture would withstand that cold.

A Blizzard in May.

"Then on May 24, we ran into a blizzard. We were crossing the desert, and for long stretches there would be no snow at all, after which would come drifts. Several times we ran into patches of what appeared to be shallow drifts and suddenly found ourselves buried in snow that had packed into gulleys 12 or 15 feet deep. When that happened we would have to get out with shovels and dig to the bottom of the gulley to give the wheels something to catch hold of and then dig a road up the opposite side. At times we actually climbed up at angles so steep I'm afraid to tell you what they were for fear you won't believe me.

"Ours were the first motor cars that ever went past Urga. On the way out from Kalgan we passed the wrecks of 19 other cars in the first 150 miles. Ten men had been killed in the wrecks of these cars.

"About the most exciting incidents in our trip, aside from the scientific excitement of the discoveries we made, were our chases after great herds of wild asses and antelope. We stampeded one herd of 5,000 wild asses, which was a tremendous spectacle, but nothing compared with the herd of antelope we came upon. This herd stretched as far as the eye could see.

50,000 Antelope.

"There must have been 50,000 antelope in the herd. It made me think of what the buffalo herds on our Western prairies must have been. We were upon the mbefore they saw us, and we drove right into the midst of them. Such a panic you never saw in your life. The animals actually leaped over each other in their efforts to get away, which they soon did, however, as the antelope is capable of 60 miles an hour when in a hurry. We set out in pursuit of one of them, and they left us far behind for two miles. Then they settled down to a pace that kept them about 200 yards ahead of us. Our car was doing 42 miles an hour, which was all we dared on that kind of running. Finally, after eight miles, we got a puncture and had to stop. The antelope appeared to be as strong as ever and to be running without effort.

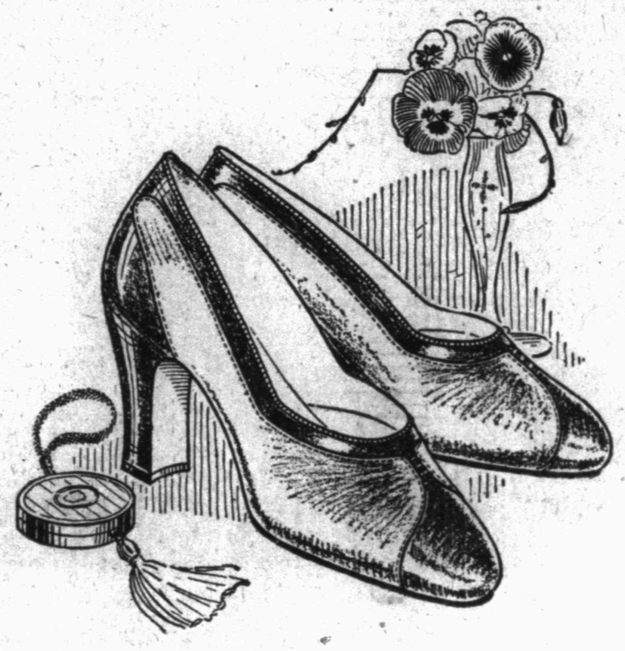
"We used to run rings around the wild asses. The best they can do is about 40 miles an hour.

"As soon as we came out of the desert we were beset with traders and business men who wanted to know all about our trip. They had openly declared that no motor car could go into that region and come out again, but when we showed up with our entire fleet of five in perfect running order they were convinced and now automobiles are making long trips into the interior in a few days that formerly took months by camel train. What we accomplished in five months by means of motor cars would have required 10 years under old conditions.

"This country that we visited is not all desert, any more than our West was 'the Great American Desert' the old geographies used to label it. Much of it will never be good for anything except grazing, but there are vast regions where water for irrigation can be found at 15 feet. The motor car will be the means of opening up this vast region to the world, and, as I have said, the motor some day in the future, should play the role of 'The Covered Wagon'."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

REAR ADMILAR CASPAR DIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Real Admiral Caspar F. Goodrich, U. S. N., retired, died of a heart attack today at his nome in Princeton, N. J. He was 78 years old.



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DECEMBER 28—JANUARY 2

The Cleaners and Dyers whose names appear on this announcement have joined hands with the National Association to promote better health among our children by lessening the chances for contagion of communicable diseases. National authorities point out the fact that seventy-five percent more communicable diseases exist in our schools after the Christmas holidays than before. The school children's school clothes which hang in dark closets or come in contact with the actual disease germs are responsible to a large degree for this condition.

The Cleaners and Dyers of the city, realizing the germicidal properties of proper dry cleaning are making this offer this week in order to cut down as far as possible, this after Christmas spread of disease. Read this announcement carefully for it contains full information on this offer.

We are the Cleaners who are conducting this campaign. If you have a coupon telephone any firm listed below.

Majestic Tailors, 9867
Liberty Tailors, 9110
City Laundry, 4335
W. F. Laundry, 7173
Excelsior, 4701
Wichita Hat Co., 4253
Meyer Harris, 3948
8th St. Tailors, 5781
Service Cleaners, 5716
Oriental Cleaners, 8168
Uneeda Cleaners, 5535
American Cleaners, 5101
Tenth St. Tailros, 3852
Wichita Cleaning & Dye Works, 4378
Avis Tailors, 5255
Floral Heights, 4651
DeLuxe Cleaners, 7174
Sunshine Cleaners, 3932
Up-To-Date Cleaners, 9137
Scotch Woolen Mills, 6464
Home Tailoring, 6231
No Delay Cleaners, 3059
Dixie Tailors, 8639
Broadway Cleaners, 8989
Kemp St. Cleaners, 8986
Melrose Cleaners, 8560
Barrell Tailors, 3464
Zack Waddill, 8561
Supreme Tailors, 8753
Pond's Laundry, 3108
Model Laundry, 5714
L. Lovey, 3638
Wright & Swinney, 9514
Brewsters, 6615
Ben's Tailor Shop, 8929
Palace Tailors, 8654

Pupils from Colored Schools are to call these tailors:

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Tuskegee Tailors, 7011
J. L. Crawford, 8296
Reliable Tailors, 6522
Ft. Worth St. Tailors, 6615

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Coupons have been distributed to all the pupils of the schools of the city through the teachers. These coupons entitle the pupil to have their school dress and coat or school suit and coat cleaned and pressed FREE OF CHARGE.

The public will recognize that cleaning the garments for more than 6,000 pupils is a gigantic undertaking and we must ask for your full cooperation and compliance with the following conditions.

1.—All of the children in your family, whom attend school have a coupon. Collect these coupons from the children—gather the school clothes in a bundle and phone any cleaner whose name is listed here. Present the coupons to the driver at the time you give him the bundle. That is all the pay he wants and he will deliver the garments cleaned and pressed.

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The coupons are FOR CHILDREN'S CLOTHES ONLY. Several adults have sent their clothes in already and tendered the coupons as payment. Please observe this notice.

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WATCH CHILDRESS GO!

"Bigger things for Childress in 1926: two railroads, more industries, more homes, more churches, more schools, more pavement, better highways and business concerns."

There's a program for you! The Childress Index has thus outlined the major objectives for the thriving little city it serves and a more sensible one could not be devised.

With the destinies of West Texas, we of Wichita Falls are inseparably linked; and in these destinies we have a peculiar interest. As West Texas and the communities that dot it prosper, so will Wichita Falls prosper; and as West Texas grows so must Wichita Falls grow.

Childress is a point that will bear watching. It is a city with a two-fold advantage now. It has the strength of a city long established; and the opportunity of a city in the midst of a territory due for amazing development in the next few years. The limitless plains of the Panhandle are just awakening to their power, their wealth and their potentialities. Childress, from geographic and commercial standpoints, is so located as to ride the crest of the waves of progress the plains will make.

The construction of at least one and perhaps two new railroads out of Childress is virtually assured. These in themselves will be mighty factors for advancement. Childress, too, has the largest population between Wichita Falls and Amarillo. This is another factor auguring well for further growth. Industry will follow the railroads; homes will follow industry; schools and churches will follow homes, more pavements, better highways and bigger business will follow all of them.

Childress' roots are set in fertile grounds and this healthy young tree in the West Texas civic forest is destined to give any of its neighbors a good run for community honors.

HOLIDAYS FOR POSTMEN.

Fred Underwood is president of the Erie railroad. As such he is probably a big business man, else he would not occupy the executive chair of a great railway system. And because he is a big business man, some things he said recently are the more remarkable.

In an interview in Milwaukee he went on record as opposing all holidays and said among other things that post office workers were not entitled to a Christmas of leisure this year. "The postmen are paid to work," he said in effect. "Why should they be given a day of rest on Christmas?"

Why, indeed, should any one ever have a holiday? This is another question asked by the railroad president. He has no use, he said, for any one took a holiday; he maintained holidays as a general rule were not needed; that the United States was establishing far too many holidays; that in time it would have every day one of rest and none for business.

Perhaps Underwood is partly right as regards a plethora of holidays. Possibly Americans are too prone to accept a day of leisure every time an opportunity presents itself. There may be food for thought in that respect. But by no stretch of imagination can his stand of the postal holiday be justified. If there is one group of workers in the country that more closely personifies patience and loyalty than does the postal working class, it has remained conspicuously in the background.

The mails must move, of course; but if a referendum were taken of the nation at large, there is little doubt that overwhelming approval would be voiced for the post office holiday at Christmas time. The mail men earn it; they have all too little leisure at best.

Merry Christmas.

JEWELS FOR RICH AMERICANS

Agents of the Soviet government of Russia, are coming to the United States to sell the crown jewels of the butchered Romanoffs to rich Americans. These jewels have a value of $250,000,000. There are petroleum kings in America who should be able to bid these costly relics in for family decorative purposes.

As for the Romanoffs, they are mouldering in their graves. They were the oppressors of Russia and Russians for centuries. There came a day of reckoning, and then the innocent victims of an oppressive system of government, were slain by the mad men who had seized the reins of government.

Gone are the crown estates of the Romanoffs. Gone are the pomp and glory and palaces of the Romanoffs. Now the crown jewels will fall into the hands of citizens of the mighty republic of the west, citizens who accumulated hugh fortunes while the rifle bearers of the republic were making the world safe for democracy or democracy safe for the world.

A bitter, bitter day of reckoning came to royal knes of Europe as the aftermath of the World War.

AWAY OUT IN THE WEST

Runnels county is away out in the west. Not many years ago the old settlers said it never rained in Runnels. In 1924 Runnels ginned 40,000 bales of cotton and in 1925, 64,000 bales. It goes without saying that the old pioneers must have been mistaken.

TEXAS AS A COTTON PRODUCER

Up to December 1st in the state of Texas 4,424,966 bales of cotton had been ginned. This should be interesting reading for the political cotton farmers of the south who predicted a yield for Texas of 3,500,000 bales, and denounced the agents of the department of agriculture for their monthly estimates of what the crop promised to be. There are political farmers in Texas who must have been shocked when told that the ginning showed a yield to December 1st of almost 4,425,000 bales.

Many of the great cotton producing counties in the older sections of the state, made a dismal showing. Many counties in West Texas showed a marvelous increase in acreage and yield. East Texas came up smiling with large crops. There are counties which show the damage wrought by the drouths of the summer. Bell county produced in 1924, 70,000 bales and in 1925, 13,000 bales; Bexar produced 23,000 in 1924, and 3,000 in 1925; Burnet produced 12,000 in 1924, and 5,000 in 1925; Caldwell 43,000 in 1924, and 4,000 in 1825; Comal produced 9,000 and 1924, and 356 bales in 1925; Dewitt 47,000 in 1924, and 17,000 in 1925; Fayette 36,000 in 1924, and 9,000 in 1925; Gonzales 42,000 in 1924, and 7,000 in 1925; Gaudalupe 40,000 in 1924, and 508 in 1925; Lavaca 34,000 in 1924, and 8,000 in 1925; Medina 7,000 in 1924, and 2,000 in 1925; Milam 57,000 in 1924, and 9,000 in 1925; Travis 40,000 in 1924, and 3,000 in 1925; Washington 26,000 and 1924 and 9,000 in 1925.

Round numbers are used and the figures are from the books of the ginners as rendered on December 1st. Bexar was hit hard. Farmers of Bexar produced 23,000 bales of cotton last year and 3,000 this year. Farmers of Burleson produced 25,000 bales last year and 7,000 this year. Collin county leads in ginning with 88,688 bales against a yield of 95,546 bales last year. Williamson county for years has been among the top notchers in the yield of the fleecy staps. In 1924 the ginning return on December 1st was 109,975 bales of cotton. This year on December 1st the ginning figures were 14,161 bales.

East Texas counties, or many of them, showed a heavy increase over the ginnings of 1924. Many western counties showed an increased production. Some few showed a decrease. Eastland county produced 21,000 bales this year as against 13,000 last year. Ellis county, another top notcher in bygone years, produced 76,000 bales against 115,000 bales last year. Hall county is away out in the Panhandle. Not many years ago it was a grazing country. Hall county farmers picked and ginned 40,000 bales this year as against 33,000 bales last year.

Haskell county farmers have to their credit 43,000 bales as against 39,000 last year. Jones county in West Texas, was a wilderness given over to cattle kings and their herds, not many years ago. Read the figures. In 1924 Jones county produced 49,000 bales of cotton, and in 1925, 64,000 bales of cotton. And there is Knox county, in the recent past dominated by the cow kings and their herds. Knox county produced 34,000 bales this year as against 39,000 last year.

Lynn county is away out in the west. It produced 30,000 bales this year and 28,000 last year. Scurry produced 20,000 this year and 24.00 last year. Tom Green county doubled its yied this year. Wichita county ginned 18,000 bales this year and 13,000 last year. Wilbarger ginned 40,000 this year and 40,000 last. Cotton growing in the Magic Valley appears to be a success. Cameron county ginned 45,000 bales of cotton in 1925 and 31,000 bales in 1924. They irrigate their cotton lands in Cameron. They irrigate in El Paso county, which produced 37,000 bales this year and 20,000 bales last year, and El Paso county is away out in the west in the upper Rio Grande valley.

Hidalgo is another Magic Valley county. This year the farmers of the county produced 56,000 bales of cotton as against 48,000 last year. Many East Texas counties made big jumps in production. Bowie produced 40,000 this year against 26,000 in 1924; Cherokee 28,000 against 17,000 in 1924; Delta county, 32,000 against 27,000 in 1924; Hopkins, 39,000 against 24,000 in 1924. Blackland counties made a good showing despite the drouth. Grayson produced 61,000 against 73,000 last year; Hunt county, 73,000 against 63,000 last year. Kaufman county, 67,000 against 62,000 last year; Lamar county, 70,000 against 66,000 last year; Red River county 51,000 against 40,000 last year; Rusk county, 52,000 against 21,000 last year, and Smith county, 51,000 against 255,000 last year.

Upshur county in East Texas made a marvelous showing. Its record for 1924 was 13,000 bales, and for 1926, 30,000 bales. Van Zandt is another county where the moisture was in the ground. This is its record: 28,000 bales for 1924 and 44,000 bales for 11923. Hill county where in mid-summer the farmers predicted a total failure, made a showing of 55,000 bales this year against 88,000 last year. McLennan, one of the richest cotton producing counties of the state, ginned 31,000 bales

Cotton remains the king crop of Texas. It this year and 90,000 bales last year.

is the new money crop of Texas. It is the staple that throws the balance of trade on the side of the United States. There is a spirited movement on in central Texas, a well organized movement in the rural districts to make 1926 a red letter production year in the history of the territory named. There are similiar movements taking like wild fire in other sections. There is moisture in the ground in central Texas. Fall rains came and saturated deeply the parched earth. Winter rains should do the rest.

WHERE BLANTON IS KING

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton hails from the Abilene district. Taylor is the county and Abilene its seat of government. They grow cotton as well as Blanton democrats in old Taylor. In 1924 they produced 39,000 bales of cotton; in 1925, 40,000 bales of cotton.

Blanton is not a popular man the country over. He has a death like grip on the voters of his district.

As an orator or campaigner he is the greatest rabble-rouser that West Texas has known. Every two years he has opposition for re-election, and after the votes have been counted, his majority is something brutal. Now he is on the trail of a man he has classified as the Peacock of the Panhandle.

Blanton does not like "the peacock" of the Panhandle, because that Quaker like democrat is dead agin the inheritance tax. This is a free country. It is the privilege of an American citizen to oppose any and all forms of taxation. But why the scornful title?

WHERE LONG STAPLE GROWS

Red River county in East Texas borders on the river that bears its name. Red River county farmers produce long staple cotton. They appear to be in luck this year. In 1924 they ginned 41,000 bales. In 1925 they ginned 51,000 bales. In Red River county they diversify. They feed themselves. They do not go to Kansas for their corn or Missouri for their bacon. This is the way it should be in every county in Texas.

THE LAST HALF HOUR IS THE HARDEST · By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



SEEING THE NEW YEAR IN WITH THE NEIGHBORS. CONVERSATION WAS EXHAUSTED AN HOUR AGO, THE SNAPSHOT ALBUM HAS BEEN PASSED AROUND TWICE, AND EVERYONE IS TOO SLEEPY FOR BRIDGE. NOTHING TO DO BUT WATCH THE MINUTES DRAG SLOWLY BY AND WISH YOU WERE IN BED

GLUYAS WILLIAMS 12-31

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The Fable Of Adding Up 1925 —By George Ade

ONCE there was a Prominent Citizen who put in a good Part of the Time telling himself that he was a Regular Feller. Just a grown-up Boy Scout, a Dispenser of Sunshine, carrying about 120 Pounds Pressure of Civic Pride, and the life of almost any Party. What you might call, if choosing to coin a bit of Description, a red-blooded American.

He always took off his Hat when the Flag went by in a parade organized by the Foreign Element and he could Ta-Ta his Way through "The Star Spangled Banner" and he had read enough history to know that the Revolutionary War was

CUT LINES
The Idea Is To Be A Good Sport, But Not To Lose Anything.

fought in the Eastern Section of our own Fair, or at least Fair to Middling, Land and the Home Team won by a single Touchdown.

It befell that one Day, as 1925 was getting ready to take the Count and make way for the delightful Uncertainties of 1926, this same Ornament to Society was seated at his Desk, gazing at a Lew Date Pad presented by an Insurance Company and reflecting sentimentally upon the widely advertised Fact that another Year was petering out.

He found himself reviewing the Period which had nosed by so rapidly since the preceding January First, and in doing so he could not refrain from hurling a few Bouquets.

Family Ignorance is Bliss

"Not so worse, everything considered," he said to Himself. "A few more gilt-edge Securities planted in the sheet-iron Box. I traded in the Old Car just at the Right Time. In another Week it would have fallen in two. The Preparation which was guaranteed to arrest Baldness did not work. I lost the Third Flight because the new Shaf. in my Mashie was not the same as the Old One, and I am Eight Pouds overweight and have a little higher Blood Pressure than Doc says is good for me, but I can still eat Mince Pie for Lunch and smoke six Cigars a day, so I should fret.

"No one can say that I ain't been good to my family. I have given Emma and the two girls and Harold everything they needed and about $6,000 worth of junk that no sane Individual ever could possibly need. Yes, sir, the Old Boy has been a dandy Husband and Father and as long as they don't know about the little Bust-Over at Atlantic City during the Convention the whole Thing is just the same as if it never happened. Besides, I didn't fall. I was shoved. And, as far as that's concerned, what I pulled wasn't any rougher than what the other Boys were doing while under the Influence of the Salt Air. So my Conscience isn't troubling me—much.

"As nearly as I can recall them, having no copy at hand, there are several of the Ten Commandments that I have not shattered. That's more than some Birds can say. I'll admit that I haven't punched the Clock over at the Church any too often, but I've got an Alibi. I found out all about those Letters that Saint Paul wrote to the Corinthians and Thessalonians a good many years ago when I had to go to Sunday School. Furthermore, that Preacher has a convulsive Adam's Apple and makes me nervous. I sent the usual Check and I am certain that when the Funeral Sermon is preached it will be discovered that I am in Good Standing, even if I have carried most of my Religion in my wife's Name.

"At all Times I have kept in Mind the good old Golden Rule which says that One should never put off until Tomorrow what might be done this Afternoon. Come to think of it, I may be mixed in my Dates. Possibly the Golden Rule has something to do with giving the Opposition a split of Fifty-Fifty. Well, I never figured that I could get very far unless I held out for about Seventy-Thirty, and I could name a lot of highly respected Guys who make it Ninety-Ten. At least, I stack up better than the Average. When you are sitting in with a Bunch of Hard-Boiled Comanches who deal from the Bottom of the Deck and have all of the Aces marked, I never could see then Sense of trying to get no better than an Even Break.

A Coving Dove With an Eagle's Crest.

"It is easy to bear up under Criticism while there is plenty of Velvet in sight. I never cut a Throat unless I am sure that the Victim has his own Knife all sharpened up for Me. The Idea is to be a Good Sport but not to lose anything. Observe the Regulations but don't let your Rivals always interpret them for you. I think I am a Square Shooter, considering what I have been up against in the way of Overhead and a Fluctuating Market and the Necessity of dealing with so many Crooks.

"Taking all the Facts into Consideration, I have been a darn Good Citizen. If I have violated very many Laws it is because a Busy Man can't keep Tab on all of the new Statutes—Federal, State and Municipal. In regard to the Trouble I had over the Income Tax, it seemed to me that I had a Right to all of those Exemptions. It has always been my Idea to pay about the Same as the Neighbors were handing over and it wasn't my Fault if they tried to hold out. I will admit that I put up a moderate Holler when that fresh Special Agent stung me for the Increased Surtax for 1922, 1923 and 1924.

"It made me kind o' sore, because when it comes to supporting the Government no one can say that I've been tight or backward. My private Crest is the American Eagle. Look at all those Liberty Bonds Didn't I say, in my speech before the Chamber of Commerce, that we ought to back up the President and Secretary Mellon in their patriotic Endeavor to reduce all Forms of Taxation. Who was it wrote that Piece for the Paper about our collecting all that Coin that Europe owes us? Every time the old U. S. needs Help you'll find me so immersed in my Private Affairs that I can't find Time to put in a Plug for the General Welfare of the American People.

"During this whole Year I haven't consulted a Lawyer or had a Run-In with Anybody whatsoever unless I was absolutely in the Right. The Trouble is that when a broad-minded Person, like Me, tries to live up to that Motto about Live and let Live a lot of Porch-Climbers take Advantage of him. I can truly say that I wouldn't have lost a Law-Suit during the entire Year if the Facts had been fairly presented to the Court. I'm a Combination of cooing Dove and snow-white Lamb, unless somebody crosses me."

Having Impartially sized himself up from every Angle, he felt so proud of the Glorious Record he had established during 1925 that he went out and bought himself two Suits of Clothes and a Raccoon Coat as a delayed Christmas Gift.

MORAL: If you are looking for Hidden Treasure, search your inmost Soul.



The Idea Is to Be a Good Sport, B ut Not to Lose Anything.

"Los Posadas," Or The March Of The Faithful Commemorates Christmas For Many Mexicans in San Antonio

Age Old Custom of Christmas Eve Is Observed Around Ancient Mission As Worshippers Do Homage To Christ and Virgin Mary.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.—(AP)—As the candles of "Bueno Noche" were lighted tonight in the "Mexico" of San Antonio the faithful folk of the quarter re-enacted a legend older than the oldest wrinkled hombre of the crooked streets, as old as Christmas itself.

It was "Las Posadas," a nativity story that becomes a rite every Yuletide in Mexico and in the 200 year old Cathedral San Fernando, and at the newer church of the Immaculate Mary, the only scenes of its staging in the United States. For two centuries "Las Posadas" has been celebrated at San Fernando, year after year since it was introduced by Franciscan monks and early Spanish residents of the southwest.

Music and Chanting.

Amid the stream of traffic swirling about the cathedral, a stone's throw from the city's busiest street, the procession of the faithful wound around the walls of ancient San Fernando. Hymns rose above the roar of hurrying wheels, and there was chanting that sounded unreal in the midst of high buildings and nearby whiteways.

Symbolizing the hardships and trials of the journey of Mary and Joseph toward Egypt that led them to Bethlehem, numbers of persons marched in a procession, singing and chanting a litany, until they had circled the walls of the chapel several times. Four persons carrying statues of Mary and Joseph and the figure of the burro that Mary rode, led the celebrants.

These commemorations of the weary journey to Bethlehem ended, the people celebrated midnight mass.

"Ask for Shelter."

"Pedier Posada" is the Spanish way of saying "To ask for shelter." Thus "Los Posadas" symbolizes in its ceremonies the story of Joseph and Mary seeking shelter in Bethlehem on that memorable Christmas night centuries ago. Never written, the chant and the music have been handed down by word of mouth.

So earnest in their devotion to this Yuletide custom were the Mexico people that on Christmas evening they hang lanterns on their gates or at their doors, to welcome Joseph and Mary should they seek shelter in their homes, as humble as the Bethlehem manger. Not one is there among them who would turn away a stranger tonight, for they say, "Who know," "Quien sabe," but that this revered couple of an ancient day might return to test the faith of mortals.

Tonight's processions marked the end of "Las Posadas" for this Christmas. For nine nights the residents of "Little Mexico" have traveled in memory of the weary journey, just as millions of hearts throughout the world responded tonight to the call: "Oh, come all ye faithful—to Bethlehem."

Any ?? On Food? Ask This Expert

In response to the numerous inquiries brought to the attention of Miss Beatrice Hall, Red Cross nutritionist, a question box will be inaugurated in the next Sunday edition of the Record News.

Questions concerning the diet of the family, father and mother as well as the school children are asked Miss Hall, and the questions will be answered.

Write your questions to Miss Hall at the Red Cross Center, Wichita county court house and she will answer them through the pages of the paper.

The Married Life of Helen And Warren

"Dear, get plain water! The fizzy never quenches your thirst."

"Not strong on water over here," Warren leaned from their compartment window. "This Johnny's got nothin' but wine.'

"Those bottles underneath—" persisted Helen, as the refreshment wagon came trundling down the platform.

"Water! L'acqua!" called Warren.

But the attendant was now besieged. Passengers clamoring for fiascos of Chianti and the dubious sandwiches.

Scurry and confusion! Shouting guards and vendors. Rumbling luggage trucks.

And the four soldier-police that patrol every Italian station. The twin comic-opera carabinieri and the two black-shirted Fascisti.

A warning whistle. Louder shouts. A concerted rush for the train.

"Here you are." Warren swung in with a bottle. "Got an opener?"

From a suitcase, Helen produced the opener and a collapsible cup.

"Oh, dear, it's fizzy," as it bubbled out. "Didn't he have—"

"Now, you saw that mob! Darn lucky to get anything."

"Another tunnel! Close the window—quick!"

The interminable tunnels through the mountains between Florence and Bologna! Every few miles they plunged into smoke-stifling darkness.

"Wouldn't you think they'd have electric engines with all these tunnels?"

"Huh, not spendin' any money electrifyin' roads. Takes all they can scrape to keep these tin soldiers struttin' around. Holy Smoke, what's I sittin in? WATER! Pool of it!"

"That bottle! I told you to put it in the rack. It's all over everything! Wait till we can see—"

Again out in the sunlight, Helen mopped the wet upholstery with a newspaper.

"Here, that'll never soak it up. Got a towel?"

"Yes, but I hate to use it—this dirty seat! No, in the other suitcase."

Even first-class carriages lack much in cleanliness, and the towel was black after rubbing the dingy gray cloth.

"Now dear, sit over here and let it dry. Oh, I hope no one comes in here."

"Not likely—after that fat tip I slipped that guard."

Another stretch of choking blackness.

"Dear, how awful if they'd have an accident in these tunnels! Didn't they last winter? I read something about it. The train caught fire and—"

"Huh, nice cheerful thought!"

Helen subsided, but the darkness was conductive to disquieting reflection.

"Dear, that wardrobe drawer! I'm afraid I forgot to look there— did you?"

"No, I didn't! I pay the bills, see to the luggage, and tip everybody in the place. That's enough! Collectin' the traps is your job."

"I always look everywhere—but I can't remember about that drawer."

"Never got out of a hotel yet without you leavin' somethin'!"

"Warren, I haven't left a thing this trip—except that hair brush in Paris. And I needed a new one, anyway. Oh, now we're out—you can open the window. And, dear, get down that big suitcase."

"What for?" savagely. "What do you want out of it?"

"I know I didn't leave my silk slip in that drawer—but I want to be sure."

"Well, I'm not luggin' down any heavy bags for you to frisk. If it's there—it's there! You'll know when we get Bologna."

Then opening the window he leaned far out.

"No more tunnels for a while. Where's that Paris mail?"

"Why, you threw it out—we used it up to wipe up the seat."

"By George, so we did. Got some magazines, haven't you?"

"Yes, in that big suitcase—but you wouldn't take it down."

Ignoring this, he dragged down the heavy alligator suitcase.

"Now, what d'you want to look for?" taking out the magazines.

"Well, go to it!"

A hasty nervous scramble through the closely-packed bag.

"Oh, I'm afraid I did leave it! No, here it is!" joyously.

"Huh, another of your false alarms. That all? Not takin' it down again."

The suitcase returned to the rack, Warren settled with the magazines. But Helen, with her ever-eager interest in foreign landscapes, gazed out the window.

Shawl-headed women in the fields. Primitive ox carts. Chickens and goats in the doorways of the low stone huts.

Poverty. Dirt. The grim barrenness of peasant lives.

Yet all around the inspiration of cloud-veiled heights.

They had stopped again. A small shabby station. By the platform a tap of running water.

"Oh look!" as several passengers ran out with cups. "Fill this—quick!"

"In luck—that's mountain water." Warren snatched the now empty bottle.

"Rinse it out—good!" she called, as he dashed across the platform.

"Ice cold," when he came back with the brimming bottle. "This beats all your mineral waters. Ought to always take a bottle—most of these stations have running water. Want some grapes?"

"No, we're almost there now—and no way to wash them."

"I'm not so darn particular," buying a large bunch from a barefoot boy. "Clean enough—right off the vines out here. Little real estate don't hurt 'em."

Another hour of intermittent sunlight and tunnel gloom.

Then through the straggling outskirts of a large city, and they panted into the lofty smoke-hazed station at Bologna.

"Don't see any porter," scowling one. "Well, we'll get one at the gate. You take your bag and the umbrellas—I'll manage the rest."

"Oh, wait, dear, you'll have to open that suitcase. We'll keep this bottle for the trip to Milan—and we might as well take these grapes.

"Huh, get a bottle at the hotel for a lira," shrugging on his tweed ulster. "And I'm not openin' that bag for a half bunch of grapes."

But Helen's economy rebelled at any waste. When he stalked out, she snatched an Italian newspaper left in the rack, and wrapped up the bottle and grapes.

Then trying to conceal the awkward bundle, she hurried after him.

As he swung ahead, tall, prosperous, with their traveled, London bogs, she was suddenly conscious of the absurdity of her newspaper bundle.

Why was she always doing such petty things—just to save a few cents? So unnecessary—and Warren loathed it.

Where could she drop the package—without being seen?

"Here, wake up," he called back. "Keep close to me—get lost in this mob."

Helen ran after him, then again lagged behind.

Another glance about, and furtively she thrust the package back of a column.

At the gate now, Warren, putting down the bags, fumbled in his pocket for the tickets.

Suddenly a heavy hand gripped Helen's arm.

A stifled cry as she looked up at a menacing carabiniere! Two of them!

"Here, what d'you want?" Warren thrusting her aside, confronted the officers.

A torrent of ominous-sounding Italian, directed mainly at Helen.

"What d'you want? Passports?" jerking them from his pocket.

But the passports seemed only incidental. Their gestured volubility conveyed that Helen was under some serious charge.

"What's this all about?" snorted Warren. "What's the big idea? Get somebody who can speak English!"

"They—they must think I'm someone else," faltered Helen, clinging to him.

"They do, eh? Well, we'll soon settle that."

"Where in blazes they takin' us?" fumed Warren. "Must be up against some new red tape. Yet why pick on you?"

At the post now, where Helen had dropped the package. It was still there, grimly guarded by one of the train men.

"Oh, that bundle!" restraining an hysterical laugh. "But this dirty old station—you wouldn't think they'd be so strict."

"That bundle? What the Sam Hill you got to do with it?"

"The bottle and the grapes I started to bring—then I thought I wouldn't. There wasn't any rubbish box—so I dropped them there."

"Pinched for litterin' up the station; eh? Excuse for a hold-up! Well how much?" drawing out his wallet. "Costa?"

But for once money seemed inadequate. Waving it aside, fiercely they pointed to the package still reclining by the post.

"Turnin' down the coin, eh? This must be serious! Here, tune off that lingo and get somebody who speaks English!"

Another train guard now rushed up with a hotel porter as interpreter.

"What's this all about? roared Warren. "What do these boneheads want?"

"That package the signora left there—they think it a bomb."

"A bomb!" exploded Warren.

One stride forward and he perked up the bundle.

Alarmed, the carabinieri drew back in undignified haste.

"There's your bomb!" exposing the empty bottle and crushed grapes. "You're a fine bunch of hawkshaws!"

Cutting short the profuse apologies, Warren pocketed their passports and marshalled Helen down the platform.

"Of all the ivory-headed puppets!" he raged. "Sorry I didn't knock those cocked lids off their empty blocks."

"They must be careful, signore," the hotel porter had appropriated their bags. "We have much unrest here. Last week a man with dynamite—they caught him here."

"Huh, shouldn't think those fatheads could catch anything—not from this sample of their sleuthing."

"And Americans wouldn't mix in their political quarrels," resented Helen, still flushed and fluttered. "They ought to know that."

"So they took you for a dynamite Dora, eh? Let's see if you look the part," Warren grinned down at her. "Plenty of powder—but not the T. N. T. kind! Well, next time you plant any empty bottles—don't have 'em wrapped up. I'm not keen on travelin' with a lady bomb thrower!"

Next week—"A Mistaken Tryst."

WATER DEP'T, IN NEW ROOMS

Will Move to Waggoner Building Ground Floor

Arrangements have been made by the wataer department of the city to move its offices to the ground floor of the Bob Waggoner building about the 10 of January. An office at 711 Scott formerly occupied by a brokerage house, will be fitted up for the use of the department.

The present quarters in the basement of the Morgan building at Ohio and Eighth streets must be vacated in order that remodeling work may start on the Morgan building, which is to be converted into a modern hotel. Three stories are to be added to the present five story structure, making it eight in all.

Meetings of the city council, which has had a room in the Morgan building basement, will be held in the new quarters of the water department until some other arrangements can be made.

Orchid Shop Head On Tour of East

O. R. Wells, president and general manager of the Orchid Shop leaves today for the east for a conference with his manufacturers.

Mr. Wells expects to spend the better part of the month of January in New York City where he expects to perfect a still higher degree of style service for his patrons

"I am greatly pleased with the appreciation shown us thus far and if this trip turns out like I plan. I believe I will be able to voice my appreciation in a much better manner than just words," said Mr Wells yesterday.

"We have great things ahead for the ladies of this section, and I am hoping that I can make arrangements to place Paris styles in Wichita Falls almost as soon as they are displayed to New Yorkers.

"I will also increase the effectiveness of the Sixteen Dollar Style Shop by adding several more manufacturers to those already supplying this shop with the new styles," concluded Mr. Wells.

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Stinnes Mausoleum Plan Is Thwarted

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—The break-up of the great Stinnes combinations has caused the abandonment of a plan, long cherished by Hugo Stinnes and his sons, of erecting an imposing family mausoleum in the Ruhr valley.

The mausoleum, designed by Franz Brantzky, Cologne architect, was to have cost $800,000 and was intended to resemble the Hotel Des Invalides, Paris, which contains the tomb of Napoleon.

Twenty-seven massive pillars were to support a structure topped by a cupola. In front of the building cascades were planned in three tiers. The whole was to be symbolic of coal and waterpower, the foundations of the Stinnes fortune.

Originally the site was intended by Hugo Stinnes for an imposing country residence. The war and the inflation period forced him to abandon the plan. Now the breakup of the fortune has thwarted the mausoleum project.

FIRE LOSS IS $750,000

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Property damage estimated at $750,000 was caused early today by a fire which swept the saw mill plant of the Stout Lumber company at Thornton, Ark. In addition to the saw mill plant eight brick dry kilns and sheds and about 8,000,000 feet of lumber were destroyed.

"SUICIDE" PACT VICTIM RETURNS TO HIS HOME

PORT HURON, Mich., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Charles Kirkpatrick, 85, who with Miss Ruby Bopra, 17-year-old maid in his home, precipitated a "suicide" pact mystery last June, returned to his home today.

SUICIDE IS VERDICT IN KERENS HANGING CASE

KERENS, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Verdict of suicide by hanging was returned by Justice of the Peace J. W. Vaughn, of Fairfield, coroner in the death of George Lourich, 60, whose body was found hanging from a tree near Wildcat ferry Christmas

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DALLAS BUILDING FOR YEAR TOTALS $27,832,000

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—Dallas building permits for the week just closed totaled $202,345, principally for residence construction, which brings the aggregate for the year 1925 to $27,832,000.

DALLAS MAN INJURED AS AUTO STRIKES TRAIN

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—F. L. Bullard, 30, was severely injured this morning when a motor car he was riding crashed with a locomotive in the terminal yards here. He will recover.

ACIDS CAUSE BAD KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

Drink Lots of Water All Day Long and Occasionally Take a Little Salts

Too much rich food forms acids which excite and overwork the kidneys in their efforts to filter it from the system. Flush the kidneys occasionally to relieve them like you relieve the bowels, removing acids, waste and poison, else you may feel a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, the stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get irritated, obliging one to get up two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids and flush out the body's urinous waste, begin drinking water. Also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy, take a tablespoonfull in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine and bladder disorders disappear.

This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys and stop bladder irritation. Jad Salts is inexpensive and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to help prevent serious kidney and bladder disorders.

By all means, drink lots of good water every day.—Adv.

BEFORE OR AFTER CHRISTMAS, THE PRICES ARE ALWAYS LOWER AT

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We have made these last four days of 1925 into another month for the calendar—a lucky month for careful shoppers. We're naming it "Economy Montth," and you'll recognize the fitness of the name when you see what an opportunity you have in these

Four Days of Remarkable Values

In this Money Saving Event many lines reduced are complete, while others are clearances of broken stocks and odd sizes. If you can fill your needs, you'll be greatly the gainer, for the values in every department of the store are exceptional.

This novel sale idea, now an annual event exclusive with P. B. M. Co., has proven immensely popular with our patrons, and it will be necessary for you to attend early in the week for a fair selection of the savings advertised.



FINE SILKS AND WOOLENS

40-inch Roshanara Crepe, gold coral, jade and seal. Formerly $2.98 ..... $1.39

40-inch Crepe Faille, combination of red and tan, navy and tan, tan and green or solid navy. Formerly $2.50..... $1.39

40-inch Cut Velvets, combinations of rust and green, taupe and burgundy, black and pencil blue, also plain black, green, white and rust. Formerly $9.50..... $6.95

40-inch Persian cut velvets. Formerly $13.50..... $9.85

54-inch Sport Coating in plaids, stripes and novelty designs. Colors, blue and white, tan and white, taupe, navy and cinnamon. Formerly $4.50 and $7.50.... $2.98

One lot of novelty woolens, 54-inch wide, including checked flannels, striped poiret, serges and crepes. Formerly $4.98 and $3.98..... $2.39

One lot of trimming, in embroidered silk and kid bandings. The yard 19c

FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT

Finished models of hand embroidery work, large assortment—HALF PRICE

Ladies' Gingham Dresses, stamped, to be embroidered. Formerly $1.25..... 79c

Ladies' Gingham Fudge Aprons, to be embroidered, regularly 50c to 65c..... 39c

36-inch Luncheon Cloths, napkins to match, to be embroidered. Regularly $1.50..... 69c

45-inch Luncheon Cloths, napkins to match, to be embroidered. Regularly $2.25..... 98c

Brocaded Linen Crash Pillows, to be embroidered. Regularly $1.50..... $1.25

Brocaded Linen Crash Scarfs to be embroidered, 18x54, regularly 98c to $1.25 ..... 79c

Brocaded Linen Crash Centers, 36x36, to be embroidered, regularly $1.50..... 79c

56-inch Luncheon Sets, pretty designs with pink borders, to be embroidered. Regularly $5.98..... $4.35

White Linen Crash Luncheon Sets, napkins to match, to be embroidered. Regularly $2.25..... $1.98

White Linen Buffet Sets, to be embroidered. Formerly 75c to 98c..... 59c

White Linen Scarfs, to be embroidered, 18x36 and 18x45. Formerly $1.50..... 79c

SPLENDID CORSET VALUES

One lot of Back Lace Corsets. Formerly $2 to $7.50..... 49c

Wrap around and front lace Corsets in numbers we are discontinuing. Formerly priced from $5 to $9..... $1

Modart Brocaded Corsets, discontinued numbers. Regularly $15 and $17.50..... $5

Warner's Oriental Girdles, brocaded. Formerly $5.00 and $3.50.....$3.98 and $2.98

OFFERINGS FOR THE HOME

Fancy Bath Towels, 21x39. Rose, blue and gold..... 49c

Huck Towels, 16x32 inches. Each..... 11c

81x90 Ripplette Bedspreads, scalloped cut corners in rose, blue and gold. Formerly $3.98.. $2.98

Turkish Towel sets, towel and two wash cloths. Regularly 75c 39c

Eiderdown in red, blue, grey and white. Formerly $1.25 the yard..... 69c

36-inch Striped Outing Flannel. Formerly 25c the yard..... 17c

Figured Flannel, 32-inch wide; formerly 35c. Shades of gray, orchid, rose, blue and tan 19c

Short lengths of gingham, prints, checks and solid colors. Formerly 50c the yard..... 25c

Short lengths of Percale, 36-inches wide. Formerly 25c the yard..... 15c

ATTRACTIVE BAGS

One group of pouch and underarm bag of leathers and silks in the season's colors. Regularly $3.98 and $5.50..... $2.98

One group Silk Pouch Bags and Beaded Pouches, regularly $1.98..... $1

DAINTY 'KERCHIEFS

Linen and Voile Handkerchiefs in novelty colors and white. Regularly 75c..... 55c

VANITIES

From Arabian, Coty, Houbigant and Novida, a group of 150 vanities, values up to $1.75.. 49c

COMFORTS and BLANKETS

72x84 all-wool filled Comforts. Printed cambric tops and backs with six-inch sateen border, weight 4 lbs. Formerly $10..... $7.85

72x84 all-wool filled comforts, printed French cambric top and back with 6-inch sateen border, weight 4 lbs. Formerly $12..... $8.95

Monarch wool mixed plaid Blankets, size 66x80, bound edges, in tan, blue and pink. Formerly $7.50..... $5.98

Excellent Boys' Values

Boys' Knicker Suits, two-pants, sizes 6 to 17 years in good models and fine wool fabrics. Former prices from $10 to $25—HALF PRICE.

One large lot of Boys' Hats, all sizes and blocks, from Bobby Lee—HALF PRICE.

Boys' Sweaters, Slipovers and Coats in fine all-wool knits. Fancy and plain colors, sizes 4 to 16 years —HALF PRICE.

Boys' Caps in large assortment, sizes 6 3-8 to 7, regularly up to $2..... 85c

Boys' Pants in knickers, moleskin and corduroy. Formerly $2.00 to $2.25. Sizes 6 to 17..... $1.35

Long pants for boys in corduroy, sizes 4 to 16. Formerly $4.00..... $2.95

From the Men's Shop

Corduroy Suits, some with vests, in straight leg and lace leg styles—HALF PRICE.

Corduroy Pants, in straight and lace leg styles—HALF PRICE.

One assortment Dress Pants, in serges and cashmeres, brown and gray fabrics, small pantlegs—HALF PRICE.

Men's Heavy Coat Sweaters in oxford gray, black, white and maroon. Formerly $10 and $12.....$6.50 and $8.50

Men's Silk Ties. regularly $1..... 79c

Men's Shirts, collar attached and neckband styles odds and ends, some slightly soiled. Regularly $2 and $2.50..... $1.45

Men's White Cotton Handkerchiefs. The dozen..... $1

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs. Regularly 25c and 35c..... 19c

Men's Hose, closing out broken sizes. Regular prices 35c, 50c and 75c. On sale.....25c, 35c and 58c



SPORTING NEWS — THE RECORD NEWS — FIRST ACCURATE COMPLETE

LACK OF GOOD BOX MATERIAL HURTS MAJORS

Dearth of Clever Pitchers Hits Every Club in Big Show

By GEORGE CHADWICK.
Special Correspondent.
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NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Pitchers are wanted badly by all major league clubs.

If there were 32 pitchers capable of winning 20 games each, to be had by the 16 major organizations, it is safe to say that $500,000 could be had for them.

There is not a club in either major league that would not pay heavily to get good pitchers. The trouble is that the good pitchers as judged by what has been shown in 1925, are not to be found. There are promising youngsters, but there are no pitchers who stand out with extraordinary speed or even wide curves.

This would be the heyday again for curve pitching of a high type if there were curve pitchers who could show anything, but too many of the younger generation have been brought up on the idea that a freak delivery is better than the old fashioned theories of sound pitching. Instead of trying to confine themselves to the curve ball and that which they could gain by perfecting it, they fool with the knuckle, the fork, the snap back and other deliveries which must depend upon a certain uncommon grip of the ball and which do not last from year to year, as the curve lasts.

Freak Deliveries One Cause.

Still another drawback to the freak deliveries is that the best of those who use them can not count upon them day after day as reliable. One afternoon the knuckle ball as it is called, will work beautifully and another it "strikes" and refuses to do any work.

Either New York club would willingly expend $50,000 or more to secure two thoroughly reliable pitchers who were young enough to give promise of work for at least ten years. That is why the Mathewson, Johnson, Cy Young brand of pitchers were of such value to the clubs with which they were connected. Not only were they good pitchers but they lasted.

The Chicago Nationals would not hesitate a minute to put out $50,000 if they could get two pitchers of the type of Mordecai Brown, or even Overall or Reulback, for that matter if they were pitchers of the Overall-Reulbach type with several years in front of them.

The Cincinnati club and the Brooklyn club of the National league are fairly well fixed for pitchers, but they could use others. The White Sox are better off for pitchers than they were but if they were certain of two 20-game winners in 1926, in addition to the pitchers they have, they could begin to think about getting prominently in the race, because they were a settled third most of last season.

Two good pitchers almost surely would put the St. Louis Americans on their feet and make them more dangerous than they seem to be now and Detroit and Cleveland could use pitchers, although both of them are less ready on the infield than in the box.

Ehmke Can't Leave.

Ehmke can command almost any price that the Boston Americans might ask for him but there is very little prospect that he can get away from Boston.

There are some young pitchers in both leagues who should come along very fast in 1926. Greenfield of the Giants is one and Reinhart of the St. Louis Nationals another, while Gray of the Athletics will be a very big factor in the next year's work if his arm is good and if his luck is better than it was in 1925.

If Ruth were worth $150,000 as a speculative venture to the New York Americans a pitcher of the type of Johnson and Mathewson would be worth fully as much, and that is an enormous sum to pay for a pitcher, because he can not play in 154 games annually, as can an outfielder like Ruth.

If each of the 16 major league clubs could command the services of two men like Dazzy Vance, the championship of the major leagues in 1926 would become the keenest fought in the history of baseball.

In the old days before there were two major leagues, the Baltimore and New York clubs, first and second in the race, played for the Temple cup after the National league season. The Baltimore club won the pennant but the New York club won the Temple cup. The Baltimore club also won the pennant and the Cleveland club won the Temple cup in the Baltimore-Cleveland series, and in both cases, it was the pitching that had the greater influence on the games as they were played.

New York was able to put Rusie and Meek in against Baltimore and the latter team, champions though they were could not hit them. When Cleveland played Baltimore in the Temple cup series, it was Young and Cuppy who made the Baltimores bite the dust.

Thus in a league race it could happen that as the year was drawing to a close, or in an important series when the prospects might favor a certain team it would be compelled to face a club with two pitchers who were very strong against its particular batters and being unable to overcome the pitching would suffer defeat and fall.

Gentleman Jack Tackles Cyclone Friday



Gentleman Jack, the well-known Plainview restaurauter. That's Mr. Gorman, if you please, pride of West Texas, and one of the hardest working little grapplers in the mat game.

Fans who saw Gorman, who, incidentally, has a heavy following here among the wrestling enthusiasts, in that scrap by 30-minute limit match last Tuesday with Cyclone Hayes, the San Francisco lightweight, preliminary to the Santel-Daviscourt mill on Kiwanis club benefit card, asked to see the pair in a finish scrap.

So Gentleman Jack and Cyclone have been lined up to fight it out Friday in the 812½ Scott Street gym over the best two out of three falls route.

The Wichita Falls wrestling association, also, is bringing in Jack Vincent, Oklahoma light heavy champ, for a match with Doule Spradlin, Randfield, 186 under, on the same program.

A&M Holds School Relays April 30

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 26.—On April 30, 1926, Texas A. and M. college will offer its first interscholastic and academic relay games to the high schools and academies of Texas. There will be relays in distances of a quarter of a mile, one-half mile, one mile, sprint medley and distance medley. Every relay team will consist of four. Gold medals will be given to the winning team in each relay.

On Saturday, May 1, the day following the day carnival the college will offer its fourteenth annual interscholastic track and field meet to high schools and academies.

The rules of the interscholastic league for eligibility will govern the meet.

Bob Coleman Joins Red Sox Coachers

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Bob Coleman, for the past three years manager of the San Antonio club of the Texas league, has joined the coaching staff of the Boston Red Sox, it was announced today. He will be assigned to assist young pitchers of the Red Sox and will be a general handy man with the club. He was formerly a catcher with the Columbus club of the American Association. It was said that his coming did not mean that he would replace any present member of the Red Sox staff.

Kearns Has Throat Hold on Dempsey In Financial Way

CHICAGO, Dec. 26—(AP)—A fight between Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion, and Harry Wills, giant negro, or Gene Tunney, young former marine, at any time would net him his contractural percentage, Jack Kearns, maker and manager of the champion, said today. He was en route from California for the appearance January 22 of his other champion, Mickey Walker, against Tommy Milligan, the Briton, in a welterweight championship contest.

Kearns' contract with Dempsey expires August 15, but under its terms Kearns pointed out, he entered into a contract with Tex Rickard for Dempsey's appearance against Wills or Tunney. The contract as Dempsey's manager gave him full power of attorney and representative and he had Dempsey's instructions to match him, said Kearns.

"I have been informed by the best attorneys in New York and here that no matter when Dempsey meets Wills or Tunney I still will share in the receipts, my usual 50 per cent. He can go ahead and act as his own manager in all other affairs after August 15, and I would not have a share. But if he meets Wills or Tunney, the outstanding challengers, then I would share."

Meanwhile Kearns continues to share in all Dempsey's income from athletic activities under the existing contract.

YOUNG STRIBLING IN PROCESS OF TRANSITION FROM SPORTS PAGES TO SOCIETY SECTIONS

Sock 'Em Bill Weds Blue-Blooded Belle Of Georgia, and Cracker State Smart Set Stamps Approval

MACON, Ga., Dec. 26.—(AP)—W. L. "Young" Stribling, 21, who began his boxing career as a Macon school boy, and Miss Clara Virginia Kinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Kinney, were married at noon here today at the home of the bride by Rev. T. D. Davenport of Reynolds, uncle of Miss Kinney.

BY MALCOLM ELLIS
Special Correspondent
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MACON, Ga., Dec. 26.—If the graying ladies with their memories of the days when Sherman cut his swath through Georgia cotton fields, and when Uncle Remus played as a boy in these neighboring woods, are somewhat shocked over the marriage of a daughter of the Davenports and the Guerrys and the Kinneys to a prizefighter, the younger generation is not the least perturbed.

Truth to tell, there is not among the younger set of this giddy generation enough agitation over the marriage of "Young" Stribling—contender for the light heavyweight championship of the world—and Miss Clara Virginia Kinney, to make it interesting. The younger set takes it along with the less flamboyant romances. Indeed to them it is the natural denouement, since the romance has budded and bloomed under the eyes of the town.

Five years ago Young Stribling was better known as just one of the growing-up kids around town than as a prizefighter. As a basketball player in the high school team he was bidding for stardom, and to the youth of the high school that was far more thrilling than his occasional fights. He came to be the star player on the championship prep and high school basketball team of the state.

Out of Classroom

It was out of the classroom that this romance emerged, aided by the notes that are slipped surreptitiously while the geometry teacher has his attention centered on proving a theoreum. Stribling walked home with Miss Kinney, carrying her books. When affluence came and he was paying an income tax well up in five figures, it was in a fast motor car that they went to the handsome Kinney home in the fashionable Cherokee Heights.

Miss Kinney had dates with other boys but never eyes for them. She was popular in high school, and in college she became the sponsor of a college fraternity and reached that peak which in a small town is no mean peak—she was starred in amateur theatricals.

Of French extraction, from the Duponts, the same line as the Duponts of Delaware, and the Guerry's, she is dainty and petite, the exemplification of breeding and culture that has existed through generations. Her maternal ancestors were among those French Hugenot settlers who peopled Charleston and made it the south's most aristocratic city. Her paternal ancestors were among the English cavaliers who made Virginia the richest colony.

Miss Kinney was a junior in a Georgia college until she came home for the holidays. Her grandfather was president of Wesleyan college, the first chartered college for women in America. He was once a candidate for governor on the prohibition ticket. When he died a number of years ago, he was among the more learned judges of the Georgia courts.

Mother Gives O. K.

Miss Kinney's father is a cotton factor in the center of the Georgia cotton belt and chairman of the county commission. Her mother is not only one of the arbiters of society but is also a civic leader among the women. She has headed practically every club in town worth heading. Her home has been the mecca of the younger set, since she herself is young in spirit and sees life from the viewpoint of the younger set.

How does she take the match?

"I'm glad Clara is going to have Strib," she said. "He is one of the finest boys I have ever known. I have known him and watched him for years, almost as closely as his own mother would. I know they will be happy together. They have been sweethearts since high school days. My daughter could not have picked a better man."

"Are you going to object to his continuing in the fight game?" she was asked.

"Not a bit of it," she replied. Her daughter smiled acquiescence. "We want Strib to reach the top. He is a clean man. If all the fighters had been as clean as Strib there wouldn't be any sentiment anywhere against fighters or the pugilistic game."

Again the bride-elect smiled her acquiescence.

A little later Stribling was asked if he would give up fighting.

"Aw, don't be a lightning bug," he replied. That seems to be this younger and more independent generation's way of saying, "don't be silly."

Fighter or no fighter, the society of town has accepted Stribling. Since the announcement was announced a week ago, he has attended something like seven pink teas, given by society friends in honor of the girl of his choice. He is in process of transition from the sport pages of Georgia papers to the society pages. Indeed his marriage may make a tenhound of this two fisted youngster.

If Crites Won't Break Training He'll Win Many

Tribe Cage Followers Put Strong Faith in Lanky Center

Wichita Falls Junior college basketball followers look to Lowry Crites, elongated center, to prove both an offense and defense bulwark the impending basketball season and the Tribe's race for Texas junior college honors.

Crites is rangy, fairly fast, a pretty good shot at the basket, a good defense man and clever passer.

One year under former Coach C. P. Mosley has made a wonderful athlete out of Crites who, if he would cut out breaking training rules, would ventually stack up as one of the best in Texas, many of his backers believe.

He is playing his second season with the Indians.

Started In '22.

Crites started his basketball career in '22 at Wichita Falls high school under Coach Jim Jones. That year Wichita Falls was one of the 16 teams to go to the state meet. There they lost to Stephenville in the second round of play.

In '23 Crites came back with the high school and under Bud McCallum again went to the state tourney. That year's team was composed of other stars such as Leo Baldwin, Gerald Coffey, Ed Powell, and Uncle Joe Smith, not to mention Crites.

In '23 they battled through to the semi-finals of the state and lost to Oak Cliff in a hetcic battle. Crites played the full game, and waged a sterling battle for the honors, but the Leopards were too strong. This was the last year in high school for Crites.

One of Best In City.

In 1924 he was with the Junior college Indians where he was rated as one of the best centers in town. Crites had played in high school at forward, and his shift to center was expected to throw him off, but he came through with a fighting spirit and made good.

Crites is one of the best players in town, and one of the best ever turned out by Wichita Falls high school, which has seen Leo Baldwin, Gerald Coffey, Uncle Joe Smith, Ed Powell, Oltin Powell, and others such luminaries.

THEFT CHARGES FILED

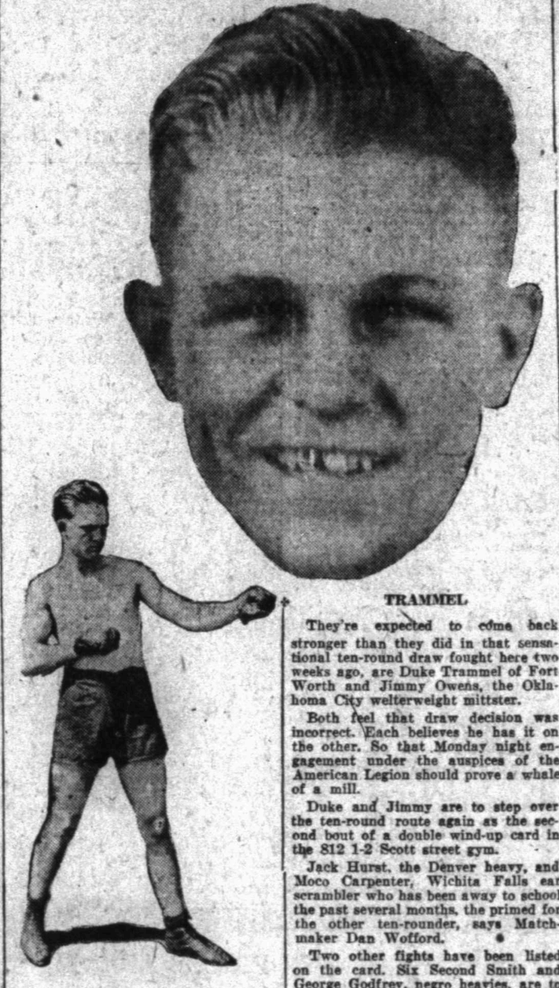
Theft charges were filed Saturday against Jim Green, negro, following his arrest by city police in connection with the theft of a casing from the Federal Tire company here. The casing was recovered by the detective department and the negro placed under arrest.

He was still in jail Saturday night.

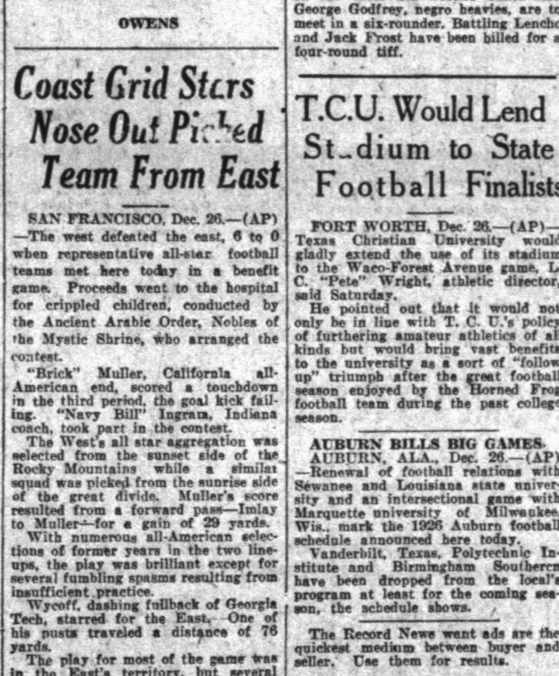
CARDINAL MERCIER WILL GO UNDER KNIFE DEC. 29

BRUSSELS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Cardinal Mercier's physicians issued a bulletin today explaining the operation for a lesion of the stomach which the 74-year-old primate of Belgium is expected to undergo in Brussels on December 29.

Another Of Those "Grudge" Mills Monday



TRAMMEL



OWENS

They're expected to come back stronger than they did in that sensational ten-round draw fought here two weeks ago, are Duke Trammel of Fort Worth and Jimmy Owens, the Oklahoma City welterweight mittster.

Both feel that draw decision was incorrect. Each believes he has it on the other. So that Monday night engagement under the auspices of the American Legion should prove a whale of a mill.

Duke and Jimmy are to step over the ten-round route again as the second bout of a double wind-up card in the 812 1-2 Scott street gym.

Jack Hurst, the Denver heavy, and Moco Carpenter, Wichita Falls ear scrambler who has been away to school the past several months, the primed for the other ten-rounder, says Matchmaker Dan Wofford.

Two other fights have been listed on the card. Six Second Smith and George Godfrey, negro heavies, are to meet in a six-rounder. Battling Lencho and Jack Frost have been billed for a four-round tiff.

Coast Grid Stars Nose Out Picked Team From East

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The west defeated the east, 6 to 0 when representative all-star football teams met here today in a benefit game. Proceeds went to the hospital for crippled children, conducted by the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, who arranged the contest.

"Brick" Muller, California all-American end, scored a touchdown in the third period, the goal kick failing. "Navy Bill" Ingram, Indiana coach, took part in the contest.

The West's all star aggregation was selected from the sunset side of the Rocky Mountains while a similar squad was picked from the sunrise side of the great divide. Muller's score resulted from a forward pass—Imlay to Muller—for a gain of 29 yards.

With numerous all-American selections of former years in the two lineups, the play was brilliant except for several fumbling spasms resulting from insufficient practice.

Wycoff, dashing fullback of Georgia Tech, starred for the East. One of his punts traveled a distance of 76 yards.

The play for most of the game was in the East's territory, but several times was the result of the wide open, basketball-like character of the contest. The East threatened to score but always fell just short of the West goal line. A capacity crowd of 20,000 persons witnessed the game which was played at Ewing Field.

Longhorns Resume Cage Work Monday

AUSTIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Basketball practice under direction of Coach "Doc" Stewart will be resumed Monday after an interval of ten days. Fifteen candidates will return Monday from spending Christmas at home.

The Longhorn mentor will work his charges hard next week in an effort to get them in shape for the start of the southwest conference title race in January. With Capt. Sandi Esquivel and "Rosy" Stallter, the only letter men out for the team, the 1926 quintet will include at least three and perhaps four sophomores who will perform as regulars.

Among those who will be out for practice Monday are Capt. Esquivel, C. B. Smith, "Ox" Higgins, Joe King, John Lomax, "Rosy" Stallter, Leo Baldwin, Johnny Estes and Edwin Olle.

ing grind on February 28, while the other players will begin the conditioning process March fifth, continuing until March 23.

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Pirate Batteries To Unlimber Feb. 26

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The spring training schedule for the championship Pittsburgh National League baseball team, announced tonight, shows that the pitchers and catchers will leave on February 21, a week earlier than the other players for the camp at Paso Robles, Cal. Infielders and outfielders are scheduled to depart for the west on February 28.

The batters men will start the train-

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DEMPSEY SURE TO BOX WILLS, AVERS M'GANN

Champ in Old-Time Form Now, Says Imported Trainer

By SPARROW McGANN
Special Correspondent
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NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—There no longer seems to be any doubt that Jack Dempsey is planning to fight next year and that Harry Wills will be his opponent.

One prime reason why the king of swat will enter the ring is the need of money. The champion has tried many ventures aside from his regular profession and has come to learn that success in a calling to which one is adapted by no means argues that a man can get by in some other line. Dempsey could use a huge roll and there is only one way in which he can get it.

Now here is an important piece of dope bearing on Dempsey's plans. For some months now he has had Gus Wilson with him. Wilson trained Carpentier for many battles, including the one with Dempsey. He is generally classed as about the best conditioner and judge of physical form in the world. Why did Dempsey import him? Not for the purpose of companionship, that is certain. No, the champion wanted Wilson with him for a long period, in order that he might work Jack into shape and finally to advise him whether or not he was fit to go into the ring and be his old self.

Wilson Gives O. K.

There is a report among insiders that Wilson, who has studied the champion and worked along with him, has given his O. K. Jack, according to the inside talk is his old self and that is the reason he is beginning to talk fight and to look around for a promoter who can promise him a big piece of change in return for his services.

Except for Wills no opponent for Dempsey offers anything interesting. Tunney may and probably will in a year or two. But there are no youngsters coming up who promise to start off any fireworks in the heavy division.

Otherwise the game is going pretty much to the newcomers. Only Johnny Dundee of the old timers who were always in the limelight a year or two ago, remains.

Old Timers Step Down

Not long ago that grand old fighter, Jeff Smith took the count and decided to try his hand at Florida real estate.

Jack Britten is already in this game and the two seem to be making a go of it in the land of sun and oranges.

And word came the other day that Eddie Shevlin, the welterweight, took the count from the youthful fists of Al Mello. Considering the length of time, 18 years, that Eddie has swapped punches with the best of them, it is hardly to be wondered that Mello, a member of Uncle Sam's last Olympic boxing team, was able to turn the trick.

Shevlin had been getting by on boxing knowledge for a long time; smart as a whip, cool under fire and able to laugh off a hard punch. Eddie stayed in the swim long after most of his compatriots had been swept away on the tide. He has been boxing instructor at Dartmouth college and his ability to teach will probably lead him to engage in teaching as his life work. Shevlin's right name, by the way is Prendergast. His brother, Billy, held the limelight championship of the navy for a number of years but gave up boxing when he left the service.

ELECTRA ROTARY SINGERS PLAN CONCERT JANUARY 28

ELECTRA, Dec. 26.—The Electra Rotary club's quartet will give a concert at the high school auditorium January 28, it was announced at a recent meeting of the club.

T.C.U. Would Lend Stadium to State Football Finalists

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Texas Christian University would gladly extend the use of its stadium to the Waco-Forest Avenue game, L. C. "Pete" Wright, athletic director, said Saturday.

He pointed out that it would not only be in line with T. C. U.'s policy of furthering amateur athletics of all kinds but would bring vast benefits to the university as a sort of "follow up" triumph after the great football season enjoyed by the Horned Frog football team during the past college season.

AUBURN BILLS BIG GAMES.

AUBURN, ALA., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Renewal of football relations with Sewanee and Louisiana state university and an intersectional game with Marquette university of Milwaukee, Wis., mark the 1926 Auburn football schedule announced here today.

Vanderbilt, Texas, Polytechnic Institute and Birmingham Southern have been dropped from the local's program at least for the coming season, the schedule shows.

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"Nothing But A Glove" Best Hurlers, Against Jinx Clubs, Find Efforts Puny

Almost every pitcher in baseball, no matter how good he is, would be a better hurler if the powers that be would only eliminate one club from the league in which he roams. But because of the fact that the teams that prove jinxes for the various flingers are as numerous as the number in the league, this cannot be done.

The big league situation is typical. Every team in the majors last year had the number of some pitcher. Defeats were administered so regularly in some cases that the pitcher might just as well have gone home to his garden when assigned to perform the sad rites over himself.

For instance, Wilbur Cooper of the Cubs and previously of the Pirates. Now Wilbur has long been regarded as considerable southpaw. Knowing this the various Cub managers—who seemed agreed on one thing at least—decided that Cooper was the man to stop the New York Giants from acquiring another flag for a pole already adorned like the mastheads of an admiral's flagship.

Cooper halted 'em like Pennsylvania stopped Red Grange. The Giants socked him just five times in the five times they faced him.

Jinxes of Tiger Kids.

Detroit had two brillant young southpaw pitchers in Edwin Wells and Earl Whitehall. But every time the Tigers met the Indians prayed for Wells to pitch. They nicked him just four times in four attempts. And Chicago staged a batting holiday just four times at Whitehall's expense and failed to give him one grain of comfort or a victory.

Slim Harris, enjoying his best year under Connie Mack, tackled the Browns four times and each one of those four afternoons the St. Louis boys played "hit the pitcher."

Herb Pennock, laboring diligently to keep the Yankees out of the American league coal hole, tried four times to halt the then world's champion Senators and the best he got was his name in the box score four times.

Wingfield, young Boston hurler, tried four times to check the Athletics without avail, and Miller of the Indians, another promising rookie, tried four times to beat the Senators—only to get jolted.

George Uhle of the Indians proved a bit more persistent than any of those mentioned above. George, sunk by the Athletics five straight times, finally caught 'em when the sun was in their eyes and beat 'em.

The National league flingers had their black cats, too.

Rube Ehrhardt, going good with the Dodgers, had four perfectly miserable afternoons with the Pirates without one bright day.

The Cardinals played through the season longing constantly for a crack at young Genewich of the Braves and Mitchell of the Phils— and nicked each one four times while losing but one game to each. Kaufman of the Cubs nosed out the Braves just once in five trials.

Back to the American league the Browns took four out of five from Ehmke, the Tigers took four out of five from Pennock, the Athletics the same from Shocker of the Yanks and Thurston of the White Sox. The Indians hammered Bob Shawkey of the Yanks four out of five.

The won and lost records reveal other interesting facts, too.

For instance, while the Browns were socking Slim Harriss of the Mackmen with great regularity the long boy was battling it out through the season with the Senators and beat them five out of nine games credited to him.

But as far as the jinxes are concerned, tomorrow's another year—with the various jinxes waiting for another crack at the jinxers—and the jinxes dreaming of nights of large afternoon and juicy batting averages.

Special Sale
Men's Shoes



We are placing all our odd lots or broken sizes on sale at extraordinary reductions.

HERE ARE REAL BARGAINS

That will interest men who know values. All shoes are from our regular stock.

Come early and get your size and style.

$4.35 and $5.85

The Montgomery Co
Men's Wear

Next Door to City Nat'l. Bank on Scott

SHERMAN ELEVEN PLAYS BELLEFONTE CLUB JAN. 1.

SHERMAN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Sherman high school's football team will meet Bellfonte academy of Bellfonte, Pa., here Jan. 1, it was announced today by Coach H. L. Butler of the Sherman eleven.

The game will start at 2 p. m. and will be played on Cashion Field, Coach Butler said.

The Pennsylvania academicians are declared to be well trained and a capably generalled bunch, and a game of parts is anticipated.

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Ed Hughes' Column

CAGE PAYS BIG DIVIDEND

It is astonishing what strides have been made by professional sports within the past few months. Not only in the effete east, where little can occur that has sufficient kick to astonish the natives, but in the middle west, and, for aught we know, on the pacific slope, too.

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What with Red Grange, girl swimmers going out after the gold, our best amateur scrappers turning pro the minute they achieve their first important victory and "professional beauties" being bracketed in a class by themselves, the amateurs are being shoved somewhat into the background.

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Two winter sports are opening up in which, for a change, the entertainment is far more scientific and finished than the amateurs are able to provide. The New York Hockey club and the Original Celtics, co-inhabitants of new Madison Square Garden, began doing their highly specialized and richly remunerated stuff Sunday night when the Celtics clashed with the Palace Club Five, of Washington, D. C.

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This Celtic organization, we are told, is more or less unique in the basketball field. Unquestionably the best combination that has played the game for years, and there are many who assert that its equal never raced over the boards, it is made so by a combination of several factors. In the first place, it is the highest paid team in the field by many thousands of dollars a season, Furey, not being in the business for his health, naturally demands the best when he is giving up the most.

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The payroll of the Celtics is said to be $80,000 per season, with Beckman, Holman and Borgeman getting $12,000 each and the rest tapering down to $8,500. Quite an item.

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Another reason for the phenomenal success of these professional athletes is that they take the game philosophically. They are seldom if ever out to overwhelm an opponent. They believe in the conservation of energy on the theory that a foot-pound saved today is that much stored up for tomorrow.

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ALL LARGE BOYS

Speaking of pounds, the Celtics again stand out there. Furey demands big men. Only Borgeman is small and he weighs 155. The gruelling road trips, including long, tiring jumps in day coaches, followed by hard-fought games on storage floors, take it out of a little fellow. He cannot stand the gaff. Hence such behemoths as Dehnert, who weighs 245; Lapchick at 225, Chadwick at 220, Leonard at 188, Beckman and Barry at 180 and Holman at 165, on the Celtic squad. Many a hard knock bounces harmlessly off a big fellow that would lay a pigmy low. And in a game where speed is so essential it is unusual to find a team of men so big who are not proportionately slower than the smaller men with whom they come in contact. The speed of Holman and Beckman in cutting for the basket is remarkable.

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Perhaps the greatest factor in the continued success of the Celtics is he fact that these men have played together for so long that they know each other's very thoughts. Holman, Beckman, Leonard, Barry and Dehnert have been together for more than ten years. Barry has worn Celtic colors for over 11 seasons. He was a teammate of the famous Ernie Reich Lapchick is in his third year as a Shamrock wearer and only Chadwick and Bergeman are new. When a Celtic shoots the ball at an unoccupied spot on the floor it is a good bet that before the ball arrives another Celt will be there ahead of it.

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ADMITS FAKING

Gene Johnson, Elizabeth (N. J.) lightweight, has made a fake fight confession that might almost be termed a human document. Certainly it is a fair exposition of the average individual's consuming self-centeredness and general indifference toward the rights of the other fellow. The confession taken as an example of "looking out for No. 1," would make a worthwhile evening's cogitation for any psychologist.

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Johnson, quoted in an Elizabeth paper, naively explains: "I am through with the ring forever. I took a dive the other night at New York, and I don't care who knows it. I got paid for the bout in advance, and now I have $3,000 with which I'm going to buy a home, and then I'm going to work, probably at the Standard Oil. I have my ears and eyes in the same condition as when I started, and I have sense enough to know that I won't have them intact if I continue fighting. I was in the boxing game for the money. I got very little for fighting Goodrich, and I was bound I was going to get a good sum for battling Vogel. New York wanted me and I made New York pay."

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THE OLD PHILOSOPHY

Johnson must be something in the nature of a Jekyell and Hyde type. His philosophizing on the brutal elements of ring fighting is sound enough. He evidently has more imagination than the average beginner in the game. Johnson has, it would seem, observed that the ears and eyes were designed for something other than decorative purposes.

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Not many thoughtless, enthusiastic youngsters striving to emulate a Leonard or a Dempsey are alarmed at the sight of the forlorn human wrecks of the ring—the "has-been" who was once "rugged and willing." They always picture themselves in the most gaudy, satisfying aspects of life-popular, unscarred champions, rolling in wealth. Few, very few, achieve this Olympus of Queensberry.

Meadows Leads Tigers To 32-0 Victory Over Robstown In Semi-Final

Fumbles Deprive Waco of Two Scores In Otherwise Brilliantly Waged Gridiron Battle

WACO, Texas, Dec. 26.—Led by Claud Meadows, a low-charging youngster, who darted over and around the Robstown defensive, who cracked off tackle as if he had been shot into space, yet using no discrimination in making his opportune advances, the Waco High Tigers slashed their way into the finals for the state high school championship of Texas for the fifth consecutive year by administering to the south Texas Rangers from Robstown a decisive as well as stunning 32 to 0 defeat.

Four touchdowns and two goals after the touchdowns coupled with two field goals tells the story of a brilliant football game which was marred only by many fumbles. Fumbles deprived the Tigers of at least two touchdowns, and Coach Tyson also did much toward keeping the score down by taking from the game Captain Frank Ish, star quarterback in the second quarter and again in the fourth. It was largely a substitute lineup, which finished the first half for the Tigers, and which also finished the second half, the Rangers outplayed the combination the Wacoans had on the field in the second period.

Linney Flashes

Robstown placed on the field a well-coached club, which had lots of drive, and Charley Linney, the big 180-pound tackle, lived up to his reputation in every sense of the word. It is true that much ground was gained on his side of the line for the Waco machine at times found every spot in the Robstown line vulnerable, but the speedy, powerful youth was all over the field making tackles, and often sifted through the Waco line. In the backfield the visitors presented J Smith who becomes 21 years of age today and playing his last game of high school football. This star did not fail to twinkle even in defeat. He, however, was unable to get away. The Tigers were often all over him like a swarm of bees and would hurry him to such extent with his passes, that the aerial drive of the Rangers, launched at first as a fond hope for victory, and toward the last as a desperate measure to out over a score, amounted to exactly nothing.

Didn't Stand Chance

The boys from south Texas with their speedy machine, with their quick shift and their slashing drive did not even have a chance to score. This team, which continually threatened the Beaumont goal line in the first half in the game against the Royal Purple never carried the oval within Waco's 30-yard line. A fumble made that advance quite possible in the second period after Ish and other Waco stars had been taken from the lineup. The stubborn low-charging Robstown line, coupled with the brilliant secondary defense which held the heavy Beaumont team to one touchdown which was unearned, and which did not allow Beaumont to gain as much as a yard, was ripped to shreds by the Tigers. A total of 23 first downs does much to tell of the manner in which the Waco machine was driven over the fighting Robstown wall of defense.

Clark Steps Out

Robstown, on the other hand, was credited with six first downs, several of which were made by William Clark, a speedy player who in fleetness of foot probably knows no equal in the valley section. He was the fastest man on the field today, and at times, especially in the second quarter, he used such speed while racing into the Waco line that his momentum would seemingly carry him forward for substantial gains when tackled at the line of scrimmage. He did not carry the ball as often as J. Smith, but much more effectively. He was never given an opportunity to emerge into a broken field running. He did show the 8,000 enthusiasts, who formed the largest crowd to witness an interscholastic game in Waco this year, a splendid drive, which until the beginning of the third quarter seemed quite dangerous to the Waco cause.

The lineup:

Waco	Pos.	Robstown
Rovillo	left end	Harper
Elkins	left tackle	C. Linney
Earle	left guard	Roper
Snead	center	Houston
Winston	right guard	Williams
Flanagan	right tackle	Lawrence
Lucas	right end	R. Linney
Ish	quarterback	J Smith
Kathcart	left half	Clark
Meadows	right half	E Smith
Meroney	fullback	H. Smith

Score by period:

Waco 9; 0; 10; 13—32.
Robstown 0; 0; 0; 0—0.

Touchdowns; Meroney, Ish, Meadows and Ryan (Sub for Meadows). Extra points: Ish place kicked two, missed one and Horne (sub for Meroney) missed one. Field goals, Ish place kicked two.

Officials: Referee, Alderson (Texas U.); Headlinesman, Utay (Texas U.); eHadlinesman, Utay (Texas A. and M.).

AUSTIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The championship football game of interscholastic league will be played on New Yrae's day between Forest Avenue of Dallas and Waco, the place to be decided between the athletic authorities of both contenders, Roy B. Henderson, league athletic director said Saturday night following the two games Saturday.

Woman Recovering From Gun Wound

Mrs. H. O. Braden, 1902 Grant street, was recovering in the general hospital Saturday from the effects of a bullet wound, said to have been self inflicted about 11:30 Friday morning. A shot was lodged in the breast but hospital attaches said yesterday she would probably recover entirely. The wound was caused by a small .25 calibre pistol.

The shot was fired, officers were told, after a controversy between Mrs. Braden and her husband Christmas morning. She went into the btharoom of their home and was found on the floor a short time later after a shot was heard.

UNDER COVER OF STORM BANDITS ATTACK TOWN

BEIRUT, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Under cover of a violent storm last night bandits attacked the station at El Gijeh, on the railway north of Damascus. They were beaten off by a French armored train and suffered heavy losses.

COL. MITCHELL HOPES TO RETURN TO SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Col. William Mitchell hopes to return to San Antonio with Mrs. Mitchell, according to a Christmas telegram received by John W. Tobin.

TO IMPROVE GUARD CAMP

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Construction of improvements at the new Texas National Guard camp at Palacios will begin Monday and will be marked by appropriate ceremonies, Major N. H. Bannister, assistant adjutant general, said today before leaving for Palacios.

Leaders Who Start New Era In Wichita Falls Amateur Athletics



L. O. (Doc) Landon, president



Hugh Cotner, baseball



B. G. Sharpe, basketball



Preston Beck, tennis



Al Parker, aquatics



C. C. Frazee, track and field

A new era and a boom in Wichita Falls amateur athletics swung under way the past week when a representative gathering of the city's sports leaders dropped Christmas shopping and doffed the holiday spirit long enough to organize for the promotion and furtherance of amateur sports in this city and affiliation with the Texas amateur athletic federation whereby Wichita Falls teams participate in organized competition for state championships annually under supervision of the state body.

The local organization took as its name Wichita Falls amateur athletic federation. At present this federation interests itself in five sports, oaseball, basketball, tennis, aquatics and track and field events.

L. O. (Doc) Landon was elected president of the organization and Wichita Falls representative on the state federation executive committee.

Five men were voted in connection with the five sports as vice-presidents and Wichita Falls representatives on the state committees in charge of these sports.

Each vice-president is to appoint two men to assist him in aiding promotion and in other duties required by his office in connection with the sport he has charge of.

Hugh Cotner was chosen head of the baseball committee.

B. G. Sharpe heads the basketball committee.

Al Parker heads the aquatics committee.

C. C. Frazee takes charge of track and field events.

Blondy Cross was elected secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Attention already has been turned to basketball, the first sport in which the new organization both state and locally will function. Four teams are lined up to start the city cage championship drive January 5. The schedule runs over a span of nine weeks with each team playing once each week.

The winner of the city race receives The Record News championship trophies and represents Wichita Falls in competition for the Texas basketball title.

With exception of selection of committee members and work in connection with the basketball race the federation will not busy itself until after the first of the year. A number of plans, however, are being formed for the betterment of conditions and the taking in of a wider scope in Wichita Falls amateur athletics.

PASSING HOUR

~ by Wm. B. Ruggles ~

There's a road through the dancing firelight
That leads to a vanished trail,
Where an old, old Christmas calls me
To youth and its friendly bail;
There's a boy I knew who beckons
Through the Yule-log's ruddy glow,
And I hear the far winds whisper
Of a land of long ago.

Paths through the winter star-light,
Stretching beyond the ken,
Vainly the heart is pleading
To travel your way again;
Lost in your land of shadows
Is the boy of that yester-year,
And his call of "Mother! Mother!"
Is to one who may not hear.

Blue-Eyes, as you snuggle closer,
I know that you, too, will know
The day when the far winds whisper
Of a time in the long ago,
When an old, old Christmas calls you
To dreams of a long dead day,
And you find no paths to lead you
To the vanished land of play.

The Revolt.

In this section, little attention has been devoted to a movement that deserves much in the way of study and possibly of emulation—the results of the Middletown meeting of the editors of undergraduate publications of Harvard, Princeton, Bowdoin, Williams, Dartmouth and Wesleyan.

Football was once more the defendant and the conclusions reached by these obviously fair-minded young men merit the serious attention of college faculties. Certainly the four major points they stressed as needed reform are not extremely radical; that coaches should be paid salaries only commeasurate with those paid the instructing force; that coaches should be kept off the bench during games to make the contests those between teams, not tutors; that schedules should be limited to four games with teams in the same section and the same class; that championships should be done away with.

Possibly this column is biased in its approval of the four reforms since with the exception of that limiting schedules, it has advocated all of the others as of vital importance in restricting football as far as its intercollegiate conduct is concerned, to its proper sphere.

Not Opposed.

The point of the Middletown meeting is that not one of the editors of the college publications present is an opponent of football—not one wished the game abolished. All, however, perceived clearly enough the drift of present day football and realized the necessity of in some manner holding this changeing of the college cradle to a normal growth.

Admitting the value of physical education in colleges, it is still clearly apparent that it certainly is not greater than that of the departments of the school's instruction along mental lines, and to pay a higher salary to a man proficient in football, baseball, or track development than is given the head of departments in law and the social sciences, is an absurdity that has no defense except in the minds of the alumnus who believe that first and foremost alma mater should have a winning team.

This phase of the college problem is aggravated by the fact that with few exceptions coaches in football are not heads of the department of physical education but usually draw higher salaries for smaller time service than the head of the department, another obvious point of unfairness.

Let the Teams Play.

It has become apparent of recent years that intercollegiate games stress far too much the importance of the coach as guide, philosopher, and friend to the combat theoretically waged between 22 men on the field. Newspapers play up the coaches' tactics. Certainly those 22 young men on the field are never left long to their own devices. Thus we have the coaches withdrawing from play the man who is not doing well, sending in substitutes to direct the conduct of his team (a practice deplored but never seriously legislated against by rules committees), protesting officials' decisions.

The control of a football game by the rival coaches is as obviously an evil practice—as out of place—as would be the interruption of the progress of a debate by the debating coach, to take out a young man with whose logic he disagreed and to replace him with another given the coach's theories on the sidelines.

Let the coach serve in the role his title implies—a tutor in practice sessions to remain muzzled on the sidelines until his charges have worked out their own destiny on the field of play.

No Evil.

The idea of limiting schedules to four games is a novel one as coming from the intercollegiate undergraduate. But no objection can be found to its premise.

Unquestionably those pioneer colleges adopting the idea would suffer athetically in the drift of the gridiron legions to institutions where their prowess would have greater opportunity of display.

In the lessening of undergraduate mental strain and over-emphasis of athletics, the advantages would be at once apparent.

As far as the championships are concerned, it goes without saying that these should be the winter amusement of the entertaining sports page, not of the colleges themselves.

The Middletown meeting considered football with a clarity of vision and a fairness of purpose that stands out indeed.

It is worth comparison that the recent educational meeting of Southern colleges passed certain recommendations to its members concerning curtailing athletic overgrowth that were of real merit. But had they discarded all of them and adopted instead the four reforms advocated by these undergraduate editors at Middletown, their football problems would have been settled forever.

ORANGE WILLIAM WINS RACE BY NECK AGAIN

CALCUTTA, India, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A rare racing coincidence was furnished today by the Viceroy's cup race, in which the first four horses were the same order as in the emperor's cup run a week ago.

Orange William, owned by A. Ephraum again was the winner, finishing first by a neck. This horse's victor, in the emperor's cup last week was his fourth consecutive win in this fixture. Today he was a three to one odds on favorite.

TRIO OF AERIAL HEAVES GIVES FOREST ELEVEN 7-0 WIN OVER CISCO AND ENTRANCE TO FINAL

Sturdy Loboes Fall Before First Half Drive, Menace Severely, But Fail to Overtake Lead

CISCO, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Fighting magnificently, the Big Dam Loboes of Cisco went down before the Forest Avenue high Lions of Dallas by a score of 7-0 before one of the largest crowds to witness a Texas high school football game here this afternoon.

A brief let-down in the last minutes of the first half which permitted Forest high to put over a long pass for a touchdown spelled defeat for the Loboes and gave them an obstacle which in a terrific last-period fight they could not overcome.

The game, although savagely contested throughout, was played without a penalty.

Forest took the offensive from the first and in the opening period drove the ball to the Loboes' one-foot line, where the Cisco boys held like the "Big Dam" stood fast until they had taken the ball on downs. Irvin got off a phenomenal punt from behind his own goal line, the ball sailing 75 yards through the air to be downed on Forest's 20-yard line, and the danger was past for the moment.

The Loboes held the green well during the second, except for the long pass which Barnett received for a touchdown, and the teams battled on fairly even terms, during the period. The pass, hurled by Jones, gave the Lions the only touchdown of the game, to which Barnett added goal kick for seven points.

Lobo Threat Falls.

In the last minutes of the second quarter the Loboes launched an offensive that gave them several first downs and threatened a score, but lacked the punch to put it over.

In the second half Cisco came back with fight. It was only a threat, for they remained tied to the 20-yard line most of the remainder of the game. Forest played wonderful football, and the victory here was conceded as earned.

Alsabrook, Irvin and Grist proved their all-state mettle, while big Felix Reynolds and Chief Brown of Cisco played as real stars. For Forest Mesinna, the huge guard, Jones, the passing fullback, and White, flashy quarter, were Dallas' flaming meteors. Collins, big half, also did some good work plunging the line. Barnett likewise did some fine work for Forest in breaking up Lobo passes.

Cisco citizenship showed their spirit by hearing coach and others of the team off the field on their shoulders, for their team has twice gone into the semi-finals with Dallas, Beaumont and Waco.

Aerial Attack Wins.

Starting off with a rush that threw the Lobo supporters into a chant of "hold that line" Forest threatened heavily in the first period, but neither side scored. Forest was within a foot of a touchdown before the Cisco eleven stiffened and held the invading Lions. The visitors came back still stronger in the second period and scored a touchdown almost immediately, making the tally 7 to 0.

The score came on a "Statue of Liberty" pass and run by Collins, nine yards, a pass, White to Simkins, seven yards, and a pass, Jones to Barnett for a distance of 37 yards for the touchdown.

The ball was in Cisco territory as the first half neared its end with the Loboes in possession.

Statistic showed the teams very closely balanced on number of first downs, the visitors making 13 and the Loboes 12.

Check of the gate receipts showed them to be $7,234, which will be divided evenly between the two teams. The average admission prices being 75 cents, a total attendance of 10,000 is estimated, the largest recorded in Texas high school football history.

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Richards Heads Metropolitan Net Singles Ranking

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Vincent Richards of Yonkers, N. Y., leading foe of the national champion, William T. Tilden, heads the tennis singles ranking list made public today by the Metropolitan committee. Mrs. Molla B. Mallory has the honor position in the women's division.

Fifty players have been placed in the men's list and ten in the women's described by the committee as the most representative group it ever has presented.

The list follows:

Men.

One, Vincent Richards; two, George King; three, P. Kynaston; four, Jerome Lang; five, C. A. Major; six, S. H. Voshell; seven, E. H. Binnen; eight, H. L. Bowman; nine, Irving Weinstein; ten, Allen H. Behr; eleven, J. C. Donaldson; twelve, R. D. Fiske; thirteen, Fred C. Anderson; fourteen, Horace Orser; fifteen, R. W. Talmadge; sixteen, John Van Ryn; seventeen, S. Ono; eighteen, F. C. Baggs; nineteen, L. Van Deventer; twenty, Carl Joliff; twenty-one, E. H. Kuhn; twenty-two, Paul Martin; twenty-three, H. H. Bassford; twenty-four, Jerome Minster; twenty-five, J. G. Hall; twenty-six, A. F. Vonbergnuth; twenty-seven, F. D. Powers; twenty-eight, L. W. Knox; twenty-nine, E. C. Oelsner; thirty, J. D. Eding; thirty-one, R. M. Demott; thirty-two, W. Rosenbaum; thirty three, W. D. Cunningham; thirty four, A. J. Cawse; thirty-five, A. I Bruneau; thirty-six, H. Oakley; thirty-seven, A. D. Hammot; thirty-eight R. Phillips; thirty-nine, E. W. Wilson; forty, K. Apple; forty-one, T. McWatty; forty-two, P. C Rockafellow; forty-three, C. H. Nones; forty-four, S. G. Noyes, Jr. forty-five, S. V. Bruban; forty-six W. J. Abel; forty-seven, R. W. Lewis; forty-eight, A. B. Sheridan; forty-nine, K. Stoddard; fifty, L. K. Franklin.

Women.

One, Mrs. Molla B. Malory; two, Miss Eleanor Goss; three, Miss Martha Bayard; four, Mrs. E. H. Rosser; five, Mrs. J. S. Taylor; six, Mrs. B. F. Steens; seven, Mrs. H. P. Falk; eight, Mrs. F. M. Letson; nine, Miss Alice Francis; ten, Mrs. T. Sobst.

CRUDE OIL OUTPUT IN SOUTHEAST SHOWS DROP

HOUSTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Daily average crude oil production fro mthe heavy oil pools of coastal Texas-Louisiana and the southwest Texas fields decreased 3,210 barrels, totalling 166,270 barrels, the week just closed. The decline in the coastal pools totalled 1,070 barrels totalling 90,270 barrels, divided: Texas division 78,770 barrels, a decline of 1,260; Louisiana 11,500, an increase of 190. The southwest Texas fields declined 2,840 barrels totalling 78,000 barrels.

The Record News want ads give the best results.

WATER IS MORE THAN WET

To Swim Champ, As Johnny Weismuller Explains It

While enjoying the carefree labors of sports writer (caring little for the remuneration derived) we have watched many swimmers of more or less fame perform.

But John, who holds all the world's free style swimming records from 50 yards up to 400, says that, while water in various parts of the world may have one thing in common—wetness—there is a vast difference in it—and this difference affects a swimmer and his speed.

"There is dead water and lively water," says Weismuller. "Water may be clear and cold but not lively. For instance, water which is confined in an indoor pool for a day or two may lose its life. The swimmer cannot make the time in it that he can in other water.

Where Water Is Speediest

"One reason why so many world's records have been established and broken at Honolulu is because the water there is the fastest in the world. There is something in it that just pushes you along.

"Many indoor pools will surprise you, too. Some contain water that is every bit as lively as open water. It is this water, more than any other condition of the pool, that earns for some tanks the reputation of being 'fast.'

"Atmospheric conditions affect your speed, too," opines John. "A warm, bright sun will put pep in you. A cold, damp day is as depressing to a swimmer as it is to any one else."

I ran into Weismuller and Arne Borg, Swedish distance swimmer, who holds all the world's free-style records from 400 yards to a mile, during one of their road jaunts together.

In addition to giving the public—on these trips—a joint glimpse of the two men who hold a complete monopoly on the swimming business, these two water babies give one of the best comedy exhibitions yet produced.

Weismuller imitates the sounds of everything from a wounded seal to a lovelorn cow, including in his repertoire the plaintive note of a chess player caught at the time limit with no idea where to move. These sounds are produced by submerging and raising his head from the water at various angles while emitting a variety of squeals, grunts and whines.

Borg's imitation of a novice learning to dive—under Weismuller's instructions, adds to the gaiety of nations.

Borg Greatest in Europe

Borg himself is the European swimming champ. He has been champion of Sweden since 1919 and has been undefeated champion of Europe since 1921.

When Weismuller was abroad on tour he broke one of the dash records held by Borg—during a meet at Budapest.

"The record doesn't mean anything, though, because, to be a European champion, officially, you must be born in Europe," says John, taking a friendly dig at Borg.

Until the coming of Borg, Weismuller held many of the distance swimming records. Borg's success in bettering these marks does not depress Weismuller in the least.

"I started out to be a dash man," explained John in his dressing room. "But when I found that I could win in the longer events I went after them too. Now, however, I can concentrate on the dashes."

There doesn't seem to be anything mysterious or unusual about the swimming of either one of these men, all accounts to the contrary notwithstanding. One's impression is that they have simply eliminated waste motion, developed form and the power of the leg and arm strokes to the utmost, and keep in condition by constant swimming. Both are built for speed, long legs and arms, lithe bodies, small hips and small, suppel muscles.

Sports Done Brown

It was only a few nights ago Paul Berlenbach and Jack Delaney held the fistic spotlight with their little fracas. Most fans know that these two lads were old rivals—that Delaney had once halted Berlenbach's mad rush to fame by socking him on the button, and that Berlenbach was defending whatever glory there goes with the world's light heavyweight championship when he faced Delaney.

It made quite a battle. It had been properly steamed up beforehand and drew a mob.

Now we have the interesting situation of Mike McTigue and Tiger Flowers meeting in the same town Dec. 23—and attracting just about as much interest.

This despite the fact that McTigue was shorn of his light heavyweight championship locks by Berlenbach and Flowers has been licked twice by Delaney—himself finally conquered by Berlenbach.

McTigue is a notoriously light hitter. Never hurt a flea—with the exception of Battling Siki.

Flowers, negro mauler, started off with a rush and for a time threatened to grab the middleweight, or some other crown, right off some white gentleman's thatch. He met rough going, however, in the person of Mr. Delaney and his ascent was checked.

Nevertheless these two sort of second raters are drawing as much attention as the two best body punchers and meanest looking opponents from all angles that have been wished into a ring since Jack Dempsey carried a four days' growth into the arena at Toledo to disguise himself while hopping away at Willard.

The reason, however, for the interest in the McTigue-Flowers go is quite obvious. It is what has come to be known sportively as a "natural."

In other words the difference in the styles of the two fighters, their general popularity regardless of their ability, and the desire on the part of many to see an ex-champion in his efforts to fight his way back makes the battle one desired by the fans.

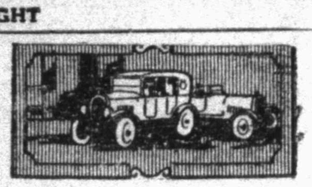
Both McTigue and Flowers have high hopes of making the other the stepping stone on the way back to a title bout. Mike still believes he can lick Paul Berlenbach, despite the ruggedness that gent has assumed in recent months and the decisive beating he gave Delaney the other night.

Flowers believes that he can outsmart the wily Mr. McTigue and use a resultant victory over him as an argument for bigger battles in and around Gotham.

McTigue's popularity comes mainly from his genial disposition, his carefree style of dancing about the ring, his cleverness in covering up and his willingness to do battle most any time.

Flowers' popularity is that which falls to any negro fighter who shows a courageous heart and an up-and-up nature generally. In addition he has the ability to sock.

If promoters would only read a bit they might learn something from such bouts as this McTigue-Flowers affair. It isn't necessary to tear a champion away from the grease paint and pay him unnatural hundred dollars to waltz about a bit with a ham-and-egger to get the crowd. Why not try this method of matching "naturals" once in a while?



AUTOMOBILE NEWS



DODGE BUYS GRAHAM FIRM

Report Confirmed Of a Huge Merger in Auto World

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Purchase for cash of a majority interest in Graham Brothers, the largest independent motor truck manufacturers in the world, by Dodge Brothers, Inc., has been consummated it was officially announced today.

Clarence Dillon confirmed the report that Ray A. Graham, secretary of Graham Brothers, has been appointed general manager of Dodge Brothers, Inc. He also said that Joe B. Graham and Robert C. Graham,president and vice president, respectively, of Graham Brothers, will become members of the board of directors of Dodge Brothers, Inc. Frederick J. Haynes will continue as president and in addition will succeed Edwin G. Wilmer as chairman of the executive committee. Mr. Wilmer will become chairman of the board. H. H. Springford will become vice president, having supervision of the financial affairs of the company.

Graham Brothers have factories in Detroit, Evansville, Ind., Stockton, Cal., and operate in Canada as Graham Brothers (Canada) Limited, with a factory at Toronto, Ont. Graham Brothers will continue operating as at present with no change in their executive personnel.

A Big Stride

With the consummation of this deal, Dodge Brothers already one of the world's largest producers of automobiles of all classes, and standing first in the production of ¾ton commercial cars, will take a big stride ahead in the industry. Dodge Brothers are the third largest producers of motor cars, and Graham Brothers rank first among all manufacturers of 1½ ton trucks, and are second in the production of 1½ and 1-ton trucks combined. The field constitutes about 75 per cent of total truck production.

Commenting on the acquisition of Graham Brothers by Dodge Brothers, Inc., President Haynes said:

"While Graham Brothers have been operating for several months as a division of Dodge Brothers, we have had no financial interest in their business or participation in their earnings. Graham Brothers were a dvision of Dodge Brothers to the extent that they used Dodge Brothers motors and marketed their product through Dodge Brothers dealer organization. We fostered the development of Graham Brothers' business because we appreciated the importance of having a dealer organization highly trained in the marketing of trucks, as well as passenger cars, and because we naturally recognized the enormous potentialities of the truck market. It is significant, in this connection, that 85 per cent of all trucks in use today are of the size and type manufactured by Dodge Brothers, Inc., and Graham Brothers.

Capable Management

"Rapid development of Graham Brothers' business has been due to the exceptional quality of Graham Brothers trucks and motor coaches and the capable management of the Graham Brothers.

"The bus field, in which Graham Brothers already are active, will be stressed in the new combination," Mr. Haynes continued. "Busses will be sold in increasing thousands every year, and the market is wholly without limit. Many fleets of Graham Brothers busses are in operation in all parts of the world. In Detroit alone 148 Graham Brothers busses are acting as feeders to municipal street car lines."

"Furthermore, the opportunities for expansion of the truck and commercial car business in the foreign field are tremendous, and Robert C. Graham, director of the commercial car and truck division of Dodge Brothers, Inc., is now in Europe developing plans for the extensive increase of the foreign marketing organization."

The report that the Graham brothers personally have recently been very large buyers of common stock of Dodge Brothers, Inc., and are increasing their investment in that company, was confirmed by Ray A. Graham, who said that he and his brothers are now among the company's largest stockholders.

Paris Preparing For Shoe Styles

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The Paris shoemakers are preparing the women's styles which are expected to set the fashion pace on the Riviera this winter and to determine what the most modish forms of footwear will be throughout the coming spring and summer. Enamelled, bandpainted, or mother of pearl ornamented shoes are among the sensations.

The enamelled shoes are made by a secret process and were introduced by Mlle. Melanie Louason of the Ambigu Theatre, who appeared at ten at the Ritz wearing a pair of gold and white enameled kid shoes, with a strap of black patent leather on which golden flowers were enameled.

Other makers are producing handpainted models for evening and boudoir wear. Holly designs and sprigs of mistletoe are being used largely for mules and heeless slippers. Many a young art student in Montmarrire or Mont Parnasse has reason to be thankful for this mode.

For less sensational designs kid and in the lead with patent leather second and suede third. Colors most seen will be beige, blonde, woodland brown, fawn, chestnut, parchment Ascot, rosewood and pearl grey. Reptile skins, snake, iguana and alligator will be much used for trimmings.

FIGHT OVER PARTNERS AT DANCE RESULTS 2 DEATHS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Three unidentified men were shot and killed early today as the climax of a Christmas dance at the Adonis Social club, a South Brooklyn resort. Police believed that a quarrel arose over the choice of dancing partner

Dodge Price Cut Excites Interest In Auto Circles

Few announcements in the business world have occasioned more widespread surprise and comment than the one published Wednesday by Dodge Brothers, Inc., stating simply that substantial price reductions would be made public on January 7, although actually in effect Dec. 15. It was explained that the full amount of the reductions would be refunded to all persons buying Dodge Brothers cars between December 15 and January 7.

Robert C. Graham, newly appointed vice president and general sales manager of Dodge Brothers, Inc., today supplemented the announcement with the following statement:

"Telegrams are pouring in from every section of the world. Dealers report the most intense enthusiasm in the history of Dodge Brothers.

"They know that these reductions would have been impossible without greatly increased production—and that is now assured. We have just completed a $10,000,000 expansion in new buildings and equipment that will nearly double our capacity.

"Although facilities have been greatly increased every years since 1914, Dodge Brothers have lost hundreds of thousands of sales through inability to supply demand. We are now in a position to meet what we are firmly convinced will be the greatest demand in history. This applies to both passenger cars and trucks and not only to the United States but to the whole world. Having just returned from abroad, where I spent several months in a very careful investigation of business conditions, I am satisfied that the world market is in a receptive mood for American products. The world in general will be more prosperous than in many years and therefore in a position to indulge this mood with extensive buying.

"American manufacturers likewise are in a better position than ever before to meet this demand, which insures an excellent employment situation and further increased prosperity at home.

"Both Dodge Brothers and Graham Brothers export business is increasing month after month, keeping pace with the big growth in domestic sales.

"On the whole, the outlook is for a tremendous year—and Dodge Brothers and Graham Brothers are now fully prepared to meet it."

Paris Stores Put On Window Plays

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The Christmas season this year changed the show windows of the big Paris department stores into impromptu theatres for children. Wooden and rope railings were put up on the sidewalks and great crowds of women and children filed past the varied shows of the windows.

Miniature movies showing travel pictures, mechanical dolls in wonderful costumes executing an eighteenth century minuet, electric railways trains of the most elaborate pattern, teddy bears as big as their prospective owners, armies of lead soldier and bright colors and astonishing lighting effects were seen everywhere.

Some of the stores invented new playlets or dramatized old stories like "Little Red Ridinghood," and devoted seven or eight successive windows to the different scenes of the little drama. On Sundays the crowds were so large that squads of policemen had to be called out to watch over the children.

British Demanding Federal Economy

LONDON, Dec. 26.—British business men have taken John Bull by the horns and have been trying to coax him into the garden of economy. They are demanding the conduct of government affairs on a strictly business basis.

A delegation from the association of British chambers of commerce recently had a conference with Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer and urged closer scrutiny of the government expenditure. The chamber's members are agreed that adontion of a business accounting system in all state departments is the only effective means of eliminating waste. Mr. Churchill agreed to give the suggestions every consideration.

The opposition press has been claiming that the government has been spending money with both hands and intimating that the public may have to face yet heavier taxes in the next budget.

BUSINESS MAN ATTACKED HER, DALLAS GIRL SAYS

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Alleging he attacked her when she entered his place of business Friday, a young woman today caused the arrest of a north Dallas man on charges of criminal assault. The district attorney's office is investigating.

STATE RETAIL DEALERS TO MEET IN DALLAS JAN. 16

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The state retail merchants council will meet here January 16 to elect officers and discuss legislative issues on which the various organizations represented in the council will unite.

WALSH RE-APPOINTED TO FEDERAL RESERVE POST

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP) Col. C. C. Walsh, appointee agent of the Dallas federal reserve bank to fill out the unexpired term of Lynn P. Talley, elected governor, has been re-appointed for the year 1926, word received here today said.

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BULLETINS FOR AUTO OWNERS

Warning Is Issued By State Department to Help Stop Wrecks

In order to reduce to a minimum the serious automobile accidents of winter time, the Department of Motor eVhicles of Connecticut has adopted the policy of circulating bulletins of information and warning to all registered automobilists in the state.

"Changes in weather conditions," says Commissioner R. B. tCoeckel, "demand extra precaution for which mental adjustment and additional mechanical equipment are equally necessary. The winter months are prolific in mad motor vehicle accidents. The fundamental cause is that drivers have become accustomed to the slow, congested summer traffic and do not react quickly enough to the new conditions—fewer cars and greater speed. Consequently, control is less prompt and accurate, and accidents are worse as to results.

The commissioner points out the danger of changed conditions due to rain and sleet. The narrowed travelway, due to heavy snow, is given considerable attention in the bulletin, the commissioner saying:

Roads Cause Accidents

"Accidents are frequently caused in the winter months by narrowed roads, for at best there usually are but two tracks. Sometimes there is poor traction. Speed is not so much a factor; some accidents happen because people do not use non-skid chains. Chains are indispensable for such conditions, because they supply traction, and traction means safety in going up hill. In winter chains must be carried and used on snow; they form a part of proper equipment of the winter driver, and he must use them. A good rule is: 'When in doubt put on chains.'"

The commissioner also warns against the type of accidents that result in head-on collisions between cars, the drivers of which have been unabel to turn out of ice and snow ruts. "The rut is a bad hazard;" says the bulletin, "it causes turns and skids and there is no rule for getting out of it safely, except to go slowly and use the brain as well as the muscles."

COLDEST DECEMBER.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The coldest December England has known for many years has called British inventive geenius into play. Many women are now wearing a new type of muff, which contains a lining of rubber tubing which can be filled with hot water to aid in warding off chilblains and chapped knuckles.

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Gazing Toward Cypress. Wolf! Wolf! Going To The Devil—By Ed W. Howe

By ED W. HOWE

A book I was reading last night spoke of a man's "ardent gazing toward Cypress,"' and said he had been "kissed into Charon's skiff."—The meaning: The man devoted too much of his time to women, and this habit caused him to die prematurely, and insane. The writer had such a foolish way of telling what happened to the man that I spent an hour in finding out the meaning of two or three lines.

In such writing as I do, I am opposed only to those palpably in the wrong; those who know they are wrong, for there never was a thief, liar, drunkard, swindler, loafer, or rough neck who did not know he was following a course both dangerous and opposed to his interests. I have much sympathy for those who make the ordinary human mistakes; all I ask of them is that they do better, when they can, because better conduct will help them.

I have no disposition to create a wrong impression about anything: no disposition to hit anything harder than it deserves. I suppose I am sometimes guilty of both offenses, but have no such intention. The man who opposes me does not know it all; nor do I.

Business sense is often denounced as a mean quality, whereas it is a very necessary one. Without it, genius won't help you, except that long after you are dead (supposing your name is Hucklefin) someone will in the course of a dull article, write: "As Hucklefin so aptly says."

Every man engaging in a love affair knows he will in a little while lose interest in it, and be called a scoundrel because he is not faithful for life, as he promised. And every woman knows that when a man publicly endows her with all his worldly goods, he has a string to them.

There is a grape called the Concord. It can be grown anywhere as easily as the potato; and is the best grape in the world. No fancy variety equals it.

When I first began reading, I encountered a story of wolves chasing travelers. Regularly every month for more than sixty years I have seen the same thing, and am tired of it. Others do not seem to be. The thriller shows no signs of being withdrawn; I saw it in a magazine only yesterday, in connection with traveling in the Northwest with dog teams. (Of course the thermometer was 47 below zero, provisions ran out, and it was necessary to kill and eat the dogs.)

People say prohibition is a success, because they think it should be. They particularly believe prohibition is a success in Kansas. Therefore I was amused to read in a recent newspaper that three huge stills were captured in one day near the town of Wichita, Kansas. One had a capacity of five hundred gallons of whiskey per day. The dispatch closes with the statement that the officers were planning for other raids. The next news item in the paper was a telegram from Leavenworth, Kansas, which said that there were one hundred and nine-nine liquor cases on the district court docket for the fall term.

My opinion is we should grimly arrest, try, jail and hang evil doers, and say nothing. Seven-tenths of liquor law violations are due to excitement; to resentment, or a wish to be "smart." Nearly all women smoke because it is prohibited. Petting parties grow because of denunciation. Communism has no other strength than opposition. The rush to Florida is largely due to papers outside Florida advising against it.

The world made a mistake in getting rid of the old-fashioned hell. It was the best chapter in the book. We must have prompt and effective punishment. Many a worthless man who has been given hell with sufficient promptness has become a reasonably satisfactory saint.

Men go to the devil not because any such fate is unavoidable, but from pure worthlessness.

Between the ages of twenty and thirty, nearly all of them are promising: great careers are predicted for some of them. They find little difficulty in getting along; no lack of appreciation or opportunity.

But between thirty-five and sixty, they develop all sorts of shiftless, idle notions, and engage in foolish schemes against which they have been warned from youth up.

With the result that only two or three out of a hundred make a success of life: the bulk of them are buried by charity, after being nuisances several years.

The best sermon in any book is that which warns us to prepare for a rainy day.

How far should one go in accepting the acts of government? How much incapacity should one submit to before expressing disapproval?—If official incompetence has reached the stage where I have a right to complain, I wish to register disapproval of the airship called the "Los Angeles." What use have we for it? What was the excuse for paying millions for it? What is the excuse for operating it at enormous expense and risk, as a spectacle?

I've always liked policemen. They are much criticised, but do reasonably well in difficult positions. Look through the papers any morning or evening, and you will not a good many arrests are made. Finding a criminal is usually like finding a needle in a haystack, and the police display considerable ability in the search—In a certain city ninety-seven automobiles were stolen in two months. The police recovered eighty-two of them.

I am disposed to believe the ordinary hired girl is a missionary, and accomplishes good. She is rarely able to cook well, so those who eat her meals do not dangerously stuff themselves, as is the case in families where mother and the girls prepare meals. I pity those persons who employ hired girls, or who live in hotels or restaurants. They do not know what good living is—Still, they are not sorely tempted three times a day, and therefore live longer.

An English writing man speaks of "the illusion of human friendship."

A mere tint in literary expression, and an unfair, ungrateful and mean one.

There is such a thing as friendship in human affairs; properly treated, it is fine and lasting.

The man who says there is no such thing as friendship is one who has overloaded his friends, and caused them to rebel.

I have had good friends all my life, and am grateful.

JEWELS IN STYLES.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—"Picture bracelets," with the pictures formed of diamonds, rubies, emeralds and sapphires, were the final and most expensive gasp of fashion for the 1925 gift season.

Some of these bracelets are an inch and a half to two inches in width, set solidly with small diamonds surrounded by platinum with designs formed of rubies, emeralds and sapphires.

For the narrower bracelets a slender greek figure is the favorite device and for the broader ones Egyptian scenes, sometimes comprising two or three figures.

Some of the extremely elaborate ones are composed of a succession of small pictures, telling a story, with the various episodes being separated by bars of platinum.

SCREEN FOLKS WED

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Dec. 26.—(AP) Esther Ralston, film actress, and George W. Frey, motion picture executive, were married here yesterday.

NEW PERMITS AT LOW MARK

Eleven Projects Started In Last Week With $14,-040 Values

Building permits in Wichita Falls dropped to almost nothing last week when Christmas holidays cut deeply into new construction. Only seven permits were issued in the entire week, these having a total valuation of $14,040, not much more than the daily figures on some occasions.

The largest permit of the period was for a new $5,000 residence, with the others running down into minor repair jobs of a few hundred dollars.

MAY INVITE GERMANY TO JOIN IN PEACE MOVEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Since the Locarno reconciliation there has been considerable talk of "burying the hatchet" at the exclusive St. James club and inviting the German diplomats in London to become members.

There have been hints that an invitation may be extended to the Germans some time early in the new year.

THREE SOUGHT IN THEFT FOUND IN CHARITY HOME

DALLAS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Three men sought by Southbend, Indiana, authorities for for automobile theft, were found occupying beds at the Salvation Army hall here and using meal orders issued by the Army. The automobile, together with a quantity of clothing and toilet articles was recovered.

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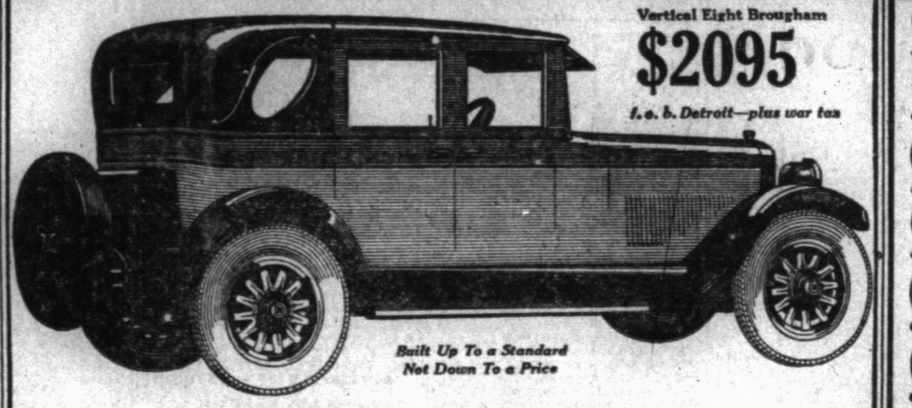
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The Record News Review of Markets and Finance

AMERICAN COIN AID TO WORLD

Over Six Billions More Than Last Year, Is Sent Abroad

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The flow of American capital into foreign and domestic investments, comprising loans for governments, municipalities and corporate enterprises, reached unprecedented proportions in 1925. While accurate compilations are not yet available, preliminary estimates indicate that the total of capital flotations eclipsed last year's record of slightly more than $6,000,000,000.

For the second time in history, American investors poured more than a billion dollars into foreign loans during the year, equalling if not surpassing the 1924 record of approximately $1,200,000,000. Productive enterprises claimed about $350,000,000 of the total, the gain in this type of business offsetting a moderate decline in government borrowings.

Private Credits.

America's commanding position as lender to the world also was strikingly revealed by the establishment of huge private credits to help in the stabilization of foreign currencies. Fortified by the possession of enormous gold stocks, American bankers set aside $300,000,00 for the protection of Great Britain's return to the gold standard and advanced many millions additional to ensure the stability of the Belgian and Italian currencies preparatory to their re-establishment on a gold basis.

Activities in th efield of new financing overshadowed in interest the dealings in the bond market, which failed to equal those of 1924 in breadth and volume. Prices, however, were maintained on a higher level throughout the year. The upward movement which was in full swing as last year drew to a close was carried over in 1925, reaching its peak in the spring. Thereafter a gradual tightening of money rates caused the pace of trading to slacken and prices eased off several points from the top although still holding several points above quotations of a year ago.

Trading Lacks Impetus.

Several factors contributed to the market's loss of animation. For one thing, bond trading lacked the impetus which it derived in 1924 from three reductions in the New York federal reserve rediscount rate. The only change made this year was an advance from 3 to 3 1-2 per cent in February, and its effect was seen shortly afterward in the downward trend of bond prices. Toward the close of the year the market labored under growing fears that the New York bank would follow the other federal reserve institutions in establishing a 4 per cent rate.

Mr. Frazier Is A Brave Man, Indeed!

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Due probably to increased activities in women's sports the average size of women's hosiery has increased in the last five years and the demand for small sizes is being eliminated, A. W. Frazer, official of a hosiery concern, here today said. He based his assertion on a study of six dozen typical shipments. In 1920, he said, the demand ranged from sizes 8 1-2 to 10. In 1923 the principal demand was for sizes 9 1-2 and larger. Today he said the very large sizes were in demand and the average was 9 1-2 to 10.

Sheriff Injured In Jail Attack

CLARENDON, Dec. 26.—Sheriff Brumley of Donley county narrowly escaped serious injury at 6 o'clock Christmas night when an attempted jail delivery was frustrated. Brumley had just entered the jail with suppers for the prisoners when Frank Crutchfield, who is charged with auto theft, made a rush from the rear of the jail and struck the sheriff with a chain that had been wrenched from a suspended bunk. As Brumley threw up his arm to break the force of the blow, two other prisoners grabbed his arm. Ed. Taylor and a man named Jackson came to his aid, however, and quick work on their part saved the delivery. Sheriff Brumley received a cut in the top of his head that was treated by a local physician.

MARRIAGE MAKES COLLEGE GIRLS BETTER, ONE SAYS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Co-eds at New York university disagree with the Rev. John Roach Straton's statement that marriage and college life are incompatible. "I, K." writes the college paper that she knows four other co-eds who are also married, their marks have improved and instead of going to bridge parties, indulging in gossip and becoming social parasites, they are leading lives far more beneficial for mind and body.

EX-WIFE OF FRANK GOULD TO WED FOURTH HUSBAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Princess Helen Vlora is going to be married for the fourth time. She is engaged to Oscar M. Burke. As Helen Kelly she married Frank Jay Gould (Her second husband was Ralph H Thomas, her third Prince Vlora of Albania.

HOLIDAY IN CAPITAL

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP.—Every department of the state capitol was closed today. All will be open for business Monday.

Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson will not come to her office until Monday.

WHEAT PRICES IN SHARP GAIN

Market Soars 9 3-4 Cents At Peak of Sensational Advance

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Wheat kited higher today with a swiftness that amazed even trade veterans. Word that the harvest in central and southern Argenina is being spoiled by rain came just at a time today when the market was confronted with trade advices of curtailed supplies nearly everywhere except in Canada, and with United States mills reported as actually possessing bread material for only 60 days ahead.

After soaring as much as 9 3/4 c a bushel in some cases, the wheat market had a tumultuous finish, 4 to 7 1/2c up. December $1.83 3/4 to $1.84 1/4 and May $1.78 1/4 to $1.80, with corn at one to two cents advance, oats showing 1/8 to 1 1/4c gain and provisions varying from unchanged figures to a rise of 52c.

Predictions of weather 10 below zero tonight in the corn belt gave some independen tstrength to the corn market and also to oats. Besides, it was pointed out that corn prices are approximately 50c a bushel lower than a year ago.

Provisions were governed by the upward swing of grain.

CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec. new	1.76 3/4	1.83 1/4	1.76 1/4	1.83 1/4
Dec. old	1.74	1.83	1.74	1.81 3/4
May new	1.74	1.80 3/4	1.74	1.79 3/4
May old	1.72 1/2	1.78 1/2	1.72 1/4	1.77 3/4
July	1.49 3/4	1.54 1/2	1.49 3/4	1.53 1/2
CORN—				
Dec.	.76 1/4	.78 1/4	.76	.78 1/4
May	.84	.86 1/4	.84	.85 3/4
July	.85 1/8	.87 3/8	.85Z	.86 3/4
OATS—				
Dec.	.40	.41 1/8	.40	.41 1/8
May	.45	.46 1/8	.45	.46
July	.45 3/4	.46 3/8	.45 3/8	.46 1/8
RYE—				
Dec.	.....	1.16 1/4	1.11	
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	1.08
May	1.11	1.16 1/4	1.11	1.15
July	1.08	1.13 1/2	1.08	1.12 3/4
LARD—				
Dec.	14.85	14.90	14.85	14.85
Jan.	14.47	14.50	14.42	14.50
May	14.35	14.40	14.32	14.37
RIBS—				
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	14.00
May	14.75	14.85	14.75	14.80
BELLIES—				
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	14.75
May	15.30	15.50	15.20	15.32

FORT WORTH CASH GRAIN.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 26.—The following shows range of values on the Fort Worth cash grain market, basis delivered group three or Texas common points, based on bids, offers and sales of Fort Worth dealers, according to the Fort Worth grain and cotton exchange:

Wheat: No. 1 dark hard, $1.97@2.03 No. 1 ordinary hard, $1.95@2.00; No. 1 red, $2.05@2.10; No. 1, 75 per cent red. $1.79@2.00.

Corn: No. 2 white, 96@99c; No. 2 mixed 93@95c; No. 3 mixed 92@94c.

Oats: No. 2 red, 60@62c; No. 3 red, 59@61c; No. 3 white, 55@56c.

Snapped corn, $1.00@1.10; No. 3 barley 82@85c; No. 3 milo $1.42@1.47; maize heads $24@26; kaffir heads $22@24.

KANSAS CITY CASH GRAIN.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Wheat: No. 2 dark hard, $1.74@1.85; No. 2 red, $1.83@1.85; December $1.78; May $1.72 1/4; July $1.47 1/4.

Corn: No. 3 white 74@75 1/2c; No. 2 yellow, 76@77c; No. 3 mixed 75@76c; December 76 1/4c; May 81 3/8c; July 83 3/8c.

Oats: No. 2 white, 43@43 1/2c; No. 3 white, 42 1/2@43c.

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Wheat: No. 3 red, $1.83 1/2; No. 2 hard, $1.82.

Corn: No. 3 mixed 75@76c; No. 3 yellow, 75 3/4@77 1/2c.

Oats: No. 2 white 42 1/2@43c; No. 3 white 41 3/4@42 1/4c.

Financial

BANK RESERVE DROPS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week (five days) shows excess reserve of $25,351,150. This is a decrease in reserve of $13,377,660 compared with last week when excess reserve totaled $38,728,810.

EXCHANGE RATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Foreign exchanges, steady; quotations in cents: Great Britain demand 4.84 3/4; cables 4.85; 60 days bills on banks 4.80 1/4, France demand 3.65; cables 3.65 1/4. Italy demand 4.03 3/4; cables 4.03 1/4. Demand: Belgium 4.53; Germany 23.80; Holland 40.14, Norway 20.28; Sweden 26.84; Denmark 24.79; Switzerland 19.32; Spain 14.14 Greece 1.30; Poland 11.25; Czecho-Slovakia 2.96; Jugo-Slavia 1.77 1/4; Austria 14; Rumania 4 6 1/4; Argentina 41.37. Brazil 14.25; Tokyo 43 1/4; Shanghai 78 Montreal 100 32-33.

Produce

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Poultry alive, firmer; receipts four cars; fowls 19@26c; springs 28c; turkeys 35c roosters 17c; ducks 25@30c; geese 19@21c.

Butter and eggs, unchanged.

Livestock

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Cattle, 125; calves 20; for week, fed steers $8.50@10.00; butcher cows $4.50@6.25; heifers $5.50@7.50; canners and cutters $3.25@4.25; veals 18.00@10.00; stocker and feeder steers $6.00@8.50.

Hogs, 1,000; active; bulk $11.20@11.75; packing sows $9.50@10.00.

Sheep, 500; for week, fed lambs $15.00@15.50; ewes $7.50@8.00.

BOSTON WOOL.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Holiday quietness prevades the wool market, says the Commercial Bulletin, but the tone this week was much better than for several weeks. The decline, which was started by a drop in prices in Montevideo about three weeks ago, has been stopped and prices in the foreign markets have appreciated slightly since.

Everywhere a feeling of confidence prevails and the belief is general that 1926 promises a great deal for the wool textile industry. The goods outlook, both here and abroad, with wool on its present low level barely above the cost of production in some cases, is considered excellent.

Little in the way of news is heard from the west. The balance of the Kerrville, Texas, fall wools have been sold to a Boston house at 36 1/2 cents, compared with about 40 cents for the earlier sale.

Mohair is slow, but steady. Quotations Scoured basis Texas fine 12 months (selected) $1.25@1.28; fine 8 months $1.12@1.15.

Mohair best combing 75@80c; best carding 65@70c.

Bull Movement On Stock Market Breaks all Records for Prosperity, History of New York Exchange

Extra Good Business of 1925 Is Shown By Records of 20 Leading Industrial Issues Which Breaks All Former Marks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Business prosperity in 1925 was anticipated and reflected by the great bull movement in the stock market, which broke all records for volume in the history of the New York Stock Exchange. The averages of 20 leading railroad and 20 leading industrial issues, compiled by the Associated Press, reached the highest levels ever recorded in the final quarter of the year.

Cheap credit, resulting from the accumulation here of huge stock prices which continued, with only two major interruptions, throughout the year. The outstanding features of the industrial situation, which also had a direct bearing on the price movement of securities, were the huge volumes of freight traffic, steel ingot production, all of which establish new high records during 1925, the absence of unemployment and the increased purchasing power of the farmer.

Bullish Developments.

Most foreign developments also were bullish in character. Chief of these was the ratification of the Locarno treaties voluntarily entered into by Great Britain, Germany, Italy and some of the new European republics for the purpose of guaranteeing the peace of central Europe. The return of Great Britain to the gold standard and the funding of the Italian, Belgian, Czecho-Slovakian and Rumanian debts to the United States also were regarded by International bankers as important milestones in the world's slow recovery from the devastating economic effects of the war.

The only unfavorable foreign development, from an investment standpoint, was the failure of the French government to arrange for the payment of its debts to the United States and Great Britain, and to balance its budget. The financial difficulties, foreign and domestic, of the French government were reflected in the acute weakness of Paris exchange in the principal monetary centers of the world in the closing weeks of the year.

Total stock sales during the year were approximately 460,000,000 shares, as compared with 275,000,000 in 1924, 235,000,000 in 1923 and 307,800,000 in the previous record year of 1919. The largest single day's trading in the history of the New York Stock Exchange took place on November 10 when 3,340,000 shares changed hands.

Railroad shares enjoyed unusual prosperity. While the gross income of some roads did not measure up to that of last year, the net returns in most cases were substantially higher, due to increased operating efficiency. Southern roads benefited materially from the real estate booms in Florida and other states below the Mason and Dixon line, the Southern railway increasing its annual dividend from the depression of the past few years, the New Haven showing a small return on its common stock for the second time since 1917. Shares of Southwestern roads were bid up sharply in anticipation of early consummation of pending mergers.

Recovery Is Slow.

The recovery in the shares of Northwestern carriers was rather slow. After a bitter struggle between opposing factions of securities holders, a compromise plan was reached for the reorganization of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad which went into receivership as a result of over-expansion and the competition afforded by the Panama Canal. Securities of the new "Nickel Plate" system rose to record high levels in expectation of an early approval of the proposed consolidation by the Interstate commerce commission.

Strength of the steel shares apparently was in anticipation of larger earnings next year, rather than a reflection of current returns, as the margin of profit for many companies was relatively small because of the low prices prevailing in 1925. Unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corporation increased rapidly in the closing months of the year, recalling the prophesy of Chairman Gary at the annual meeting of the American Iron & Steel Institute in October that steel companies would be "turning away business next year." U. S. Steel common touched 139 1-4, the highest price ever recorded. Sloss Sheffield was the outstanding strong spot among the independents, rising from 80 1-4 to 143 1-2 during the course of the year.

The unexpectedly large demand for automobiles which started early in the year and continued through the summer and fall months was reflected in the sensational advances in the shares of motor companies, several of which showed record breaking earnings. Shares of the Chrysler corporation, which sold as low as 11 two years ago under the old name of Maxwell, touched the record high price of 235 at one time.

MEXICAN WOMAN AGE 110, WAS A SERVANT 98 YEARS.

PAU, France, Dec. 26.—Nava Carlotte, a Mexican woman, employed as a household servant in the same family for 98 years, died yesterday at the age of 110.

Columbus Has A New Claim to Fame

PARIS, Dec. 26.—A new claim to immortality has been discovered on behalf of that great discoverer, Christopher Columbus, and should resound greatly to his fame in Boston. Columbus, among other things, discovered America and haricot beans. The former find has been a matter of common knowledge for some time; the latter discovery has just been rediscovered by Henri Leclerc and placed before the world in an article in the Press Medicale.

Before the nineties of the fifteenth century, M. Lecler, says, the civilized world had munched the broad bean and the pea, but knew nothing of the haricot, bean or of Boston. Then Columbus went west and found the haircot growing near Nuevitas, in Cuba, where the natives considered it a delicacy and called it "eyscolt," incidentally he discovered America and started the train of events which led eventually to the union of Boston and beans in one of America's best known dietetic affiniti-

GRANGE AND COOLIDGE SPLIT BRITISH PRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Red Grange and President Coolidge have been breaking about even in the British press in regard to the space devoted to their respective activities.

The president's brief answer to his wife's questions about the "sin sermon" were quoted extensively, and his attitude on tax reduction also has attracted much attention. Numerous stories are recalled pointing not only to his economy in words but money as well, and both these attributes draw admiration here.

Grange's meteoric rise to football fame and the commept thereon have given the impression that he is easily entered the millionaire class within a few weeks.

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Good Bill Promised This Week On Majestic Vaudeville Stage

MRS. PITTMAN AT MAJESTIC

Wichita Falls Woman Has Part in Edna Park Play

Directly on the heels of "Six Cylinder Love", the initial offering of the popular Edna Park Stock company at the Majestic theatre, comes the announcement that the second bill will be even stronger.

At the second bill, Manager Jack Edwards of the Park Players, has announced Avery Hopwood's latest comedy farce "Why Men Leave Home." The play, only recently released for general stock production, enjoys the reputation of being one of the most successful shows ever presented in this country and as no road show was to be sent south Mr. Edwards secured the rights to produce the comedy here after having paid a high premium.

Mrs. Pittman to Play.

As an extra feature, which will undoubtedly prove of great interest to theatre-goers in this city, Mr. Edwards has added to his cast for this one bill only, a woman who enjoys the reputation of being the best performer in the city, outside of the theatrical business; a woman who is well-known through her efforts in behalf of the Little Theatre movement, and who conducts a fine dramatic school here. Mrs. J. S. Pittman. Mrs. Pittman will play the part of Betty, one of the butterfly wives and judging from the rehearsals this week, will be one of the outstanding parts of the piece.

The cast is as follows:
Grandma—Mrs. Helen K. May.
Barker—Beatley Wallace.
Tom—Jack Edwards.
Fifi—Miss Edna Park.
Sybil—Miss Octavia Powell.
Billy—Raymond Appleby.
Betty—Mrs. J. S. Pittman.
Artie—Edouard D'Oize.
Nina—Miss Arline Althoff.
Sam—Andrew Streng.

The story of "Why Men Leave Home" in a condensed way follows: Fifi Morgan (Miss Edna Park), the wife a prosperous, serious-minded young business man of New York, together with Betty (Mrs. Pittman), the wife of Artie (Mr. D'Oize) another business man and a friend of Tom's and Nina (Miss Althoff), the wife of Sam Hargrave, an oil magnate, all go to Europe one summer and leave their husbands to be stolen by any woman who may come along and strike their fancies.

Just the thing does happen to them all and into Tom's life there comes one Doris Ketcham, who is one of the big surprises of the piece. There's a lot of good wholesome advice expounded in "Why Men Leave Home" in an inoffensive manner and the whole show will prove thoroughly enjoyable and entertaining.

While the advance sale for the Sunday performances is big there can still be good seats obtained by telephoning the box office of the Majestic. In making an advance reservation the management says that in that way congestion is avoided at the rush hour.

PALACE PICTURE



Myrtle Stedman and George Irving in "The Goose Hangs High" A Paramount Picture

Bill Cody in "A Man's Man" Plays At Palace Theatre

Bill Cody, who is appearing under the Independent Pictures Corporation banner, is a mighty happy boy these days. He has acquired "Flashlight," the wonder horse, and Bill now feels that no stunt will be too difficult astride "Flashlight."

The wonder horse has an international reputation for possessing almost human intelligence besides being able to step a mile in record time.

Their first release, entitled "A Man's Fight," made under the personal supervision of Jesse J. Goldberg, was directed by the able William J. Craft, and the supporting cast has such well-known favorites as Mary Beth Milford, Jack Fowler, Monte Collins Jr., and Carter Langdon. The show will be released at the Palace Monday and Tuesday.

Coming Soon To The Mission Theatre



Scene from "THE LAST EDITION"

Midnight Matinee At Strand Dec. 31



DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in "DON Q. SON OF ZORRO"

Herman Timberg Heads Vaudeville Bill This Week

Herman Timberg, in "Little Bits," known as Fun's little brother, heads the Majestic vaudeville program this week which plays at the Majestic theatre Wednesday through Friday, matinee and evening. Besides his number there are four others promising to go over in good style. They are Herman Timberg and Sammy Timberg in a melodramatic satire on the present craze for syncopation; Bezasin and White, singers of note; Jimmy Lyons, a new monologist in vaudeville land; and Ah San and Jo in a Chinese fantasy.

"Little Bits."

Herman Timberg is fun's little brother. Timberg has not been seen in vaudeville for a long time and during this period he has been writing and producing his own shows and starring or being featured in big productions by other managers. He has been one of vaudeville's best liked singles and has been seen in the two-a-day at the head of several tabloid musical comedies. He is also the author of several musical plays including "On Fifth Avenue," "On the Mezzanine Floor," "Four Queens," "A Joker," "Chicken Chow Mean."

The Rebellion."

When jazz becomes a factor in music the rebellion started; since then almost everybody has been involved. Eminent musicians have declared that syncopation is not music at all. Other eminent musicians say it is and have included it in their repertoire. The fight has gone merrily on but it seems to be each one to his choice. Satire thrives on the things that are in the public eye and so this merry little musical war has become melodrama satire on the present day craze for syncopation.

Sammy Timberg and Sonia Meroff head a large cast of singing and dancing comedians.

Bezazain and White.

Torcom Bezazain is a grand opera baritone. He was formerly leading baritone at Marseilles, Nancy, Brindisi, Venice and New Orleans and recording for Edison, Victor and Columbia phonograph companies. Critics say that his voice is full, rich extraordinary range for a baritone and unusually fine timbre. His presence in vaudeville as well as Miss White's is of particular interest to the music lovers He has made 176 records.

Edna White, his present vaudeville partner, is a famous trumpeter, formerly with Pryor's Band. She has been in concerts with Mme. Schumann Heink. Their present offering is a combination of solos and duets and the effect of voice and trumpet is beautiful.

Jimmy Lyons.

Jimmy Lyons is called "The Ambassador." He is a new monologist, but he is an old hand at the comedy game. He has been seen in vaudeville in various capacities. Recently he was the featured comedian with "The Land of Fantasy."

A Chinese Fantasy.

The ways of the occident are quickly assimilated by the Oriental. At least they are by two Orientals, Ah San and Jo. These clever Chinese entertainers are modern in every respect, and ultra modern when it comes to song and dances. They present a Chinese fantasy, an attractive collection of songs and dances in which they demonstrate the far East's idea of the steps in vogue in the West and show the things that are popular in their own country.

Charlie Comes Back To Strand Screen



CHARLIE CHAPLIN in "THE GOLD RUSH"

MISSION FEATURE



PRISCILLA BONNER AND REX LEASE in "CHALK MARKS" RELEASED BY PRODUCERS DISTRIBUTING CORPORATION

Tragedies Turn To Laughs in Comedy "The Gold Rush"

An artistic genius and a sense of humor that can convert tears and heartaches into joy and laughter—that can cause the tear of pathos to lose itself in the wrinkles of fun—is a combination seldom met in real life, and much less often encountered on the motion picture screen.

But this is just what Charlie Chaplin does in his new film comedy, "The Gold Rush," a United Artists Corporation release, which is described by picture experts and competent critics as the greatest Chaplin comedy ever produced, now showing at the Strand.

Out of a situation where a half-starved wanderer throws himself into a self-enforced faint at the door of a gold prospector's cabin, so the prospector will pick him up, carry him inside and revive him with hot coffee and a much needed meal, Chaplin builds a comedy scene that is said to excel anything he has ever done.

"The Gold Rush" deals with the stampede into the Klondike, and Chaplin has cast himself in the role of a tenderfoot and lone prospector. And when he tears himself from the mob of thousands of prospectors crossing the Chilkoot Pass only stubbornly to go his own lonely way through a blizzard that shreds his shabby clothing and finally blows him like a piece of paper into the cabin of a fugitive from justice—again tragety is turned into hilarious comedy.

There are tears and laughter, too, when Charlie is the wrong recipient of an endearing note of apology written to his rival by the girl whom he adores, and the note—not meant for him at all—sends him into the seventh heaven of enamored delight.

Again Charlie's all important love affair is rudely interrupted by Big Jim McKay whose one and only interest in life is the search for gold. McKay literally carries the lone little prospector away from his sweetheart—and straight to the treasure that is to make them both rich beyond their dreams.

"There is a laugh in every one of the nearly nine thousand feet of film in 'The Gold Rush'," says one of Chaplin's close associates.

"Three In Exile" Features Dog And Marvelous Horse

Many kinds of animal pictures featuring dogs and horses have been filmed, but, according to advance information received by the management of the Mission Theatre, "Three in Exile," a Truart picture, which is to be the feature attraction there Thursday is said to be the most unusual type of motion picture entertainment ever flashed on a theatre screen.

The principal actors in this screen drama are Rex, the wonder dog and Black Beauty, the marvelous performing horse, who go through five reels of genuine dramatic situations in the same manner as would the actors and actresses in the greatest of screen plays.

Briefly, the story tells of a dog, a horse and a man who are thrown together on the desert, all nearly dying of thirst, and while the only human in the group is unconscious and helpless, the dog and the horse are the means of saving his life through some of the most remarkable acting ever enacted before a camera.

Rex, the dog, is not a highly pedigreed animal, but what he lacks in pedigree he makes up in his almost human acting in "Three in Exile."

The management of the Mission theatre reiterates that the picture when seen at the theatre will never be forgotten.

To Sell what you have, advertise it in The Record News. You'll be surprised at Results.

Palace Offers A Special Feature Troubador Shows

This week playing a special engagement, a big double show at the Palace all next week with Mullen's Musical Maids, the Alacron family, known as the Spanish Troubadors, was one of the cleanest and most entertaining acts ever played to Clinton audiences. The musical features were probably climaxed by "That Wonderful Mother of Mine" when Mother Alacron was the center of the scene and the beautiful song was sung to her by her son and daughter. The feature was possibly the climax and the most appreciated part of the entire act. The Spanish Troubadors may easily be recommended as one of the best and cleanest feature acts on the road. The cast is composed of Senior and Senora Alacron, natives of Spain and their two sons, three daughters and son-in-law.

OVER 2 MILLION NEW AUTOS AMERICAS GAIN FOR 1925

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—More than 20,200,000 motor vehicles were registered in this country in 1925, an increase of 2,132,758 over the last year's number, the current issue of Motor Magazine says. Of this total 17, 658,491 were passenger cars.

More than 1,000,000 motor vehicles are recorded as scrapped in the United States during the year.

YOUNG BANKER FAILED FOR A LOSS OF $500,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—(AP)—Arrest of Walter C. Rippenberger, youthful investment banker of Elgin, Ill., has revealed that his company has failed with a loss of $500,000, most of which may be suffered by northern Illinois farmers.

Theatre Calendar

THE PALACE.

Sunday only: Maurice "Lefty" Flynn in "Heads up" also "Battling Brewster."

Monday and all week: Extra special double program "Mullen's Musical Maids" and "The Spanish Troubadours" with three complete changes of program weekly, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Monday and Tuesday: Bill Cody in "A Man's Fight," also comedy.

Wednesday and Thursday: Special New Year holiday program. James Cruze production "The Goose Hangs High."

Friday and Saturday: Dick Hatton in "When Romance Rides," also comedy.

OLYMPIC.

Sunday through Wednesday, December 27-30th Lon Chaney in "The Unholy Three" Arthur Stone in "Should Landlords Live" and latest Kinogram News.

Overture: "King Mydas—R. Ellenbogen.

Thursday through Saturday, December 31 to January 2's Adolph Menjou in "The King on Main Street." Mermaid comedy "Fire Away" and latest Kinogram News, also five acts of vaudeville.

STRAND THEATRE.

Sunday through Thursday, December 27-31: Charlie Chaplin in "The Gold Rush" Aesop's Fables and latest Pathe News.

Mid-nite matinee December 31, also January 1 and 2. Douglas Fairbanks in "Don Q. Son of Zorro," a sequel story to Fairbanks greatest picture, "The Mark of Zorro" Aesop's Fables and Pathe News.

MISSION THEATRE.

Sunday and Monday, December 27 and 28. Perils of the Sea with Elaine Hammerstein, also a century comedy.

Tuesday and Wednesday, December 29 and 30, Chalk Marks with All-Star cast, also Sunshine comedy "When Dumb Bells Ring"

Thursday, December 31, three in exile with Art Accord, also Joe Rock in "In Bad in Bagdad."

Mid-nite matinee New Year's eve and January 1 and 2.

The Last Edition, a sensation newspaper melodrama with Ralph Lewis and all-star cast. Also serial "The Fighting Skipper."

Fairbanks Struts Stuff in "Don Q, The Son of Zorro"

Just an intensely appealing love story with many complications because of conspiracy and intrigue; a story replete with high adventure that gives the greatest opportunities ever for athletic prowess, fearsome stunts and feats of utmost daring and skill—such is the description of the latest Douglas Fairbanks photoplay, "Don Q. Son of Zorro," which is announced as the feature attraction coming to the Strand theatre for a week beginning December 31 at midnight matinee, and continues to January 7.

The management of the Strand theatre is authority for the statement that in his new screen play Fairbanks has departed, temporarily at least, from such historic characterizations as "Robin Hood" or the imaginative fantasy of his "Thief of Bagdad," and now has given to his public a picture that outstunts anything he has ever produced; a picture that affords him the widest possible scope for his well-known athletic abilities.

"Don Q, Son of Zorro," is not at all related, as many have thought to the Cervantes masterniece "Don Quixote." The picture was made from the novel "Don Q's Love Story," by K. and Hesketh Prichard, and was adapted for the screen by Jack Cunningham. Don Q is the son of Zorro and the roles of both son and father are portrayed by the versatile star.

Chief of the stunts in "Don Q, Son of Zorro," spring from the use by Fairbanks of the bull-whip, a very long, very slender and very sinuous lash, menacing and very terrible in its execution when in the hands of a skilled person. This whip, which had its origin in the early ranch days of Southern California when it was used by cattle drovers, consists of a lash fastened to a short butt-like handle, and that tapers in its length of fifty or sixty feet from a thickness of an inch or so to the slenderness of a small cord.

With this whip Fairbanks performs feats that are starting in its use as weapon both of offensive and defensive. With it he wins the plaudits of the Spanish populace; with it he saves the lives of many persons, one his arch enemy, when an enraged bull escapes from the ring and runs amuck in the streets; and with it, too, he frustrates the plans of conspiring enemies against his lady-love and himself. As a matter of fact, according to critics, this whip in the hands of Don Q becomes all that the duelling sword was in the hands of the hero in "The Bark of Zorro."

In addition to presenting high adventure, most appealing romance, startling melodrama and mysterious conspiracy, Mr. Fairbanks has gathered around him photoplayers of exceptional ability and known popularity, Mary Astor, young, beautiful and accomplished, is the leading lady, while Jack McDonald and Donald Crisp, who also directs the picture, are seen in the main supporting roles. Others in the cast are the Countess De Lanti, Warner Oland, Jean Hersholt, Lottie Pickford, Forrest and Albert MacQuarrie.

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Mission Features Play, "The Last Edition" Thursday

"The Last Edition," Emory Johnson's latest production for F. B. O. adapted from the story by his mother, Mrs. Emilie Johnson and starring Ralph Lewis in the leading role, is a stirring melodrama of the newspaper game, as its name might indicate.

The re-union of the star and the Johnsons marks the re-establishment of the relations which made "The Third Alarm," "Westbound Limited," "The Mailman" and "In the Name of the Law," which is all recommendation that the present pictures needs. As a matter of record, it is the high water mark of melodrama, and seems destined to prove even more popular than the sensational "Third Alarm." Mr. Lewis enacts one of the strongest roles ever screened with a fine understanding and striking sincerity. He makes Tom MacDonald live and breathe in the thundering press room where his well-oiled and well-loved machines turn into a demoniacal monster which crucifies his son. His portrayal carries out the belief that Ralph Lewis does not act his parts—he lives them. A gripping story, a superb cast, and the directorial genius of Emory Johnson combine to make this a picture to be long remembered. Frances Teague, Lila Leslie, Rex Lease, Ray Hallor, David Kirby, Cuyler Supplee and several others give the star the best support. "The Last Edition" comes to the Mission theatre for its local premier on Thursday, beginning a three day run.

"LAST CURTAIN" RUNG DOWN FOR "OLD SCHOOL" ACTRESS

PHILADELPRIA, Dec. 26.—(AP). Amy Lee, 63, former acress of a generation ago, died yesterday after a brief illness.

Amy Lee was one of the last actresses to star in what was known as a "heavy soubreite," a part that was a fixture in old time melodrama. She was known from coast to coast for her work in such plays as "Fogg's Ferry," and "Pawn Ticket No. 210."

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LON CHANEY in "THE UNHOLY THREE"

"The Goose Hangs High" Plays Here; Starts Wednesday

Christmas with its holly and fir trees, Salvation Army Santa Claus on the corner, turkeys freezing in the windows, crisp snow crinkling under hurrying feet, and the hustle and bustle of last-minute preparations in joyous anticipation of children's home-coming from college for the Yuletide.

It's a wistful, whimsical, human sort of story, is "The Goose Hangs High," and James Cruze, a master of wistfulness, whimsicality and humor, has made it into a Paramount picture. It plays at the Palace theater Wednesday and Thursday.

The action centers around the Ingals household on Christmas eve when the children arrive home for the holidays. The earlier scenes show a family in which the parents are indulgent and the children wilful. The father revolts—and as one result, the family faces the prospect of poverty.

It is then Granny, the strong-minded grandmother, takes the initiative and proceeds with a quiet little scheme of her own. How it works out, how the real Yuletide spirit blooms again on the ashes of despair, constitutes the charming climax of the story.

Into this skeleton plot, Cruze has instilled all his genius, all his cleverness at shaping situations, and as a result, the picture has delightful little human quirks in which every spectator will see visions of his own home.

Walter Woods and Anthony Coldewey wrote the screen play from the original stage version by Lewis Beach. The cast was carefully chosen and includes such featured players as Constance Bennett, Myrtle Stedman, Esther Ralston, George Irving and Edward Peil, Jr.

CALIFORNIAN ROBBED OF $8,000 BY ROAD BANDITS

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 26.—(AP)—A. N. Keith of Hollywood, Cal., and his wife were the victims of two bandits on the Lincoln highway near here today. The thieves escaped with jewelry worth $5,000 and $125 in cash.

60 IN BULGARIA BOMBING PLOT PARDONED BY KING

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 26.—(AP) King Boris has extended a full pardon to 60 persons condemned to death for complicity in the conspiracy leading to the bombing of the cathedral last April.

Adolph Menjou Is Star of "The King On Main Street"

Adolphe Menjou comes to the Olympic Theatre on December 31 as the star of the Monta Bell-Paramount production, "The King on Main Street," written for the screen by Douglas Doty from Leo Ditrichstein's New York stage hit, "The King." Greta Nissen and Bessie Love are featured opposite the star.

The story opens in Technicolor with Menjou, as the King of Molvania, reviewing a long line of cavalry from a gorgeously draped dais. We get the idea that the young ruler is bored stiff with everything that's going on.

In one of the royal apartments a short time later, Menjou's Minister of Finance (Mario Majeroni) and other statesmen are reminding the king that the country requires a large loan. The only way it can be obtained is either through a marriage with the House of Slavonia or a trip to America.

"We shall go to America," the king announces, "via Paris."

The story goes on to show in a humorous entertaining way just what happens when the philandering king meets the most famous dancer in the French capital and then, in America, falls in love with a young American girl, only to be forced to return to his own country without her.

"The King of Main Street" is the culmination of a dream of years of a perfect role for Menjou. He has both Monta Bell and the star. It is the temperament, the air of sophistication, the finished type of acting necessary for it. He had his heart set upon making this one of his greatest efforts. And, according to all advance reports, he has more than succeeded.

ANCIENT BASKET MAKERS

Race of People Lived Here 2,000 Years Ago, Says Professor

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 26.—(AP)—The story of the Basket Makers, a race believed to have lived in the United States some 2,000 years before the Christian era, is told by Dr. E. B. Renaud, professor of anthropology of the University of Denver.

In a paper prepared for the meeting of the American association for the advancement of science, which meets ehre December 28 to January 2, Dr. Renaud says this ancient people, harried by an implacable foe, were forced to take refuge in islands, rocky coasts, deserts and very cold climates.

'The Unholy Three' With Lon Chaney Opens Here Today

Tod Browning's "The Unholy Three," a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, will come to the Olympic theatre Sunday through Wednesday.

This picture is said to be something entirely new in the way of crook melodramas.

It concerns the adventures of a trio of crooks who leave a dime museum and during their criminal operations give rise to a romance that lends a great quantity of color to the plot.

It is a film adaptation of C. A. Robbins' story and has a peculiar twist that has never been seen in any other play of this type.

Director of Crook Films.

Tod Browning, who enjoys the reputation of being the most successful underworld film director in the business was responsible for the direction of the picture. Browning has been directing crook films for many years, one of his outstanding productions of that kind being "Outside the Law."

Mae Busch, who has done such excellent work in pictures during the last few years notably "Bread" and "The Christian" and who is now a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer featured player, portrays the leading feminine role—an Irish-American girl who is in league with the underworld band.

Lon Chaney, the screen's greatest makeup artist and character man, is the leader of the crook trio and appears in the role of a sympathetic heavy. The remainder of the crook trio consist of Victor McLaglen, famous English leading man who played opposite Lady Diana Manners, and Harry Earles, a thirty-five pound midget who masquerades as a baby. Matt Moore plays the male romantic lead opposite Miss Busch and Mathew Betz takes the part of Detective Reagan.

Silent "Talkative" Parrots.

The action of "The Unholy Three" takes place in and about New York city. The film opens with a cheap museum but the plot is soon transplanted to a bird and animal store operated by "Mrs. O'Grady," whose expensive parrots for some mysterious reason are quite dumb in the homes of the owners, but who always were eloquent in the presence of the old lady.

Following a particularly atrocious murder the trio place the blame on Hector McDonald, a clerk in the bird store who has fallen in love with the girl.

The latter is dragged away to a mountain retreat and is saved in a most awesome manner by a powerful ape which when attacked by two of the crooks escapes and eventually becomes the instrument that saves the hero and unites him with the heroine.

The script was prepared by Waldemar Young and photographed by David Kesson.

BERLIN CAFES OPEN ALL NIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)—For the first time in ten years Berlin's restaurants, saloons, dance halls and cafes will be permitted to remain open all night New Year's eve. Consequently all the tables have already been reserved in the leading libatory emporiums.

Huge orders have been placed with the bakeries for the inevitable Berliner plankkuchen, a sort of glorified doughnut, which forms the center of the gastronomic attractions. The proprietors also are laying in copious stocks of ham and eggs, as this dish is much in demand in the wee hours of the morning.

While in the provinces it is customary to celebrate the coming of the new year in private homes, Berliners as a rule insist upon conviviality in places of public amusement.

MUNSEY'S AIDE BECOMES HEAD OF PUBLISHING CO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—William T. Dewart today was elected president of the companies publishing the New York Sun and the Evening Telegram to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Frank A. Munsey.

Mr. Dewart had been vice president, treasurer and general manager of the publishing companies.

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Story of "Chalk Marks" Shows 3 Periods of Time

Tense drama, good-natured comedy and heart-thrilling romance are combined in equal proportions in "Chalk Marks," a Frank Woods production to which local theater-goers will be treated next Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mission theater.

The story, an origiuml one by Woods, is presented by an all-star cast that is composed of such favorites as Marguerite Snow, June Elvidge, Ramsay Wallace, Helen Ferguson, Priscilla Bonner, Lydia Knot and Rex Lease.

"Chilk Marks" is laid in three different periods. The story opens in the early eighties is then transferred to about the 1910 period and reaches its conclusion in the present day. As a result, in addition to the excellent story told, there is a progressive parade of fashions and customs that give the attraction much added interest and no small amount of laughter.

The story centers around the love affair of Angelina Kilbourne and Herbert Thompson. The former idolizes Herbert but he, selfishly turns to another woman who can give him greater prominence in the social world and help him up the ladder of legal fame which he has just started to ascend. The years carry on and Angelina is left with only her memories.

The second period shows Herbert in his middle age surrounded by a wife whose only interest in life is her social standing, and his two children, a boy and a girl. The boy becomes involved in a murder scandal in defense of his sister's honor and is only narrowly saved from the gallows or life imprisonment by the efforts of his father's old-time sweetheart. The concluding chapter of the story shows the romance of the boy and his school days sweetheart and the rewarding of the now aged Angelina for her love and faith.

LOST $1,000; MYSTERIOUS PACKAGE CONTAINS $990

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Dec. 26. (AP)—Mrs. Stanley Kriscunas received in her Christmas mail a small package bearing no return address, containing $990 in bills without note of explanation. She believes it was sent to her by the person who found $1,000 which she lost two and a half years ago.

DOMINICAN OFFICIAL QUITS

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, Dec. 26.—(AP)—The resignation of Angel Maria Soler as minister of foreign affairs, has been accepted by the president.

Film Star Asserts Imagination Cause For Sea-Sickness

Many people dread taking trips by boat because of their fear of seasickness. According to Elaine Hammerstein this fear should be banished once and for all time.

"It's mostly imagination," said the popular young star. "I don't say that the motion of the boat in rough water doesn't affect certain people in an unpleasant manner, but I do say that usually the wrong methods are followed in dealing with this particular sickness.

"I know there are a hundred ways suggested by as many travelers for overcoming the malady. But I think that I can speak with a little authority having been involved recently in storms that are very far from the usual ones experienced by the average traveler. I studied the situation well while on location for the Columbia feature, 'S-O-S Perils of the Sea.'

"Many of the cast felt a slight dizziness after a couple of days, and I don't blame them. Some of the scenes called for real storms and we waited around in rough water until they came along.

"I soon learned that refusing to let your self be overcome by the sick feeling is a very important thing. I ate sparingly but had lots of fruit. Mr. Robert Ellis, my leading man, followed my advice and for the first time in his life he told me he wasn't ill on the water."

Miss Hammerstein's latest feature, the sea drama, comes to the Mission theatre Sunday and Monday. In the supporting cast are William Franey, Pat Harmon, Jean O'Rourke, Frank Alexander and J. C. Fowler.

FIGHT OVER FIREWORKS ENDS IN FATAL SHOOTING

CAMPTI, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Clanton Grappe, 20, is dead from two bullet wounds and Sam Brown, 21, is in jail at Natchitoches, charged with the slaying. The shooting affray last night is said to have followed a friendly exchange of fireworks, developing into a hostile demonstration.

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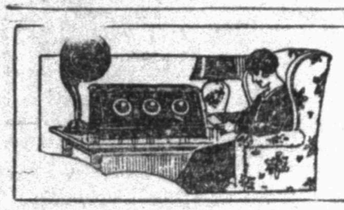
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This view of the situation comes from Powel Crosley, president of the Crosley Radio corporation, Cincinnati, who used his prediction as foundation for the belief that radio will remain in the "experimental" stage for the average fan for many years.

To Be Perfected

Radio sets will become as perfected as the phonograph, as simple of operation as the automobile, in Mr. Crosley's opinion, yet this will not abate the fan's curiosity in the fundamentals of the science and the extent to which it may advance in the future.

"For a few years in the automobile industry," said Mr. Crosley," there was a craze to know the mechanical operation of the automobile motor and the details of car construction. Today hardly an individual knows the mechanism of his car thoroughly and for every driver who is a thorough mechanician there are 25 who know only how to drive and who not only do not know but care less as to how the car operates.

DRESS SHOWS POPULAR FOR MEN IN LONDON.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Dress shows for men instituted by west end clothiers and haberdashers are as popular now as the mannequin parades for the opposite sex.

The afternoon shows for men are attracting women as well as men. The originators however, decry this, for they fear that a feminine influence will creep into male fashions and anyway it is easier to sell to a man who is not accompanied by his women folk. In some shops several shows are being staged simultaneously, exhibiting shirts and collars and ties, as well as suits, overcoats and hats.

Wide trousers are still in vogue in fashionable London, but the new coats have less waist line. The double breasted vest has disappeared, but the double breasted coat is still popular.

Military overcoats are the only ones being shown.

GERMANY SEEKING TO REVIVE "LACE OF GOD."

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—The German government is fostering a movement to revive the "lace of god" industry in the mountain districts of Silesia, which suffered extreme hardships during the war.

The "lace of god," made by Silesian lace makers, owes its name to a folk legend that through the meshes of the lace God gives bread to the starving.

A German women lace expert has asserted that much of the lace sold in international markets as Venetian, Brussels or French lace is in reality of Silesian origin. To prove her contention, specimens of valuable old lace from the Berlin museum of arts and crafts were thrown on the screen. The mesh and workmanship were the same as in the "lace of God."

BERLIN TAKES CARE OF DEAD DOGS LAVISHLY.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—Berlin has a magnificent dog cemetery in the northern part of the city which is truly international and makes no discrimination on account of "race, color or previous condition of servitude."

Inscriptions on the mable headstones are written in at least 12 languages. It is as well kept as the best of cemeteries. A plat sells for $15 with an annual charge of $5. Some of the marble monuments are said to have cost from $1,000 to $2,000.

One of numerous English inscriptions read: "In remembrance of my dear sweet little Rex, died July 20, 1915. From his mistress.

MANNEQUINS DISRUPTING ARTISTS MODELS BUSINESS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Artists of Chelsea and the other London districts where studios abound say the eagerness of girls to become mannequins has made artsits' models mighty hard to find.

Young women have been falling in line for months to appear as mannequins because of the good pay and the fact that displays of this kind bring them before the public. In this connection, the story has been going around for weeks of a pretty little mannequin who caught the eye of a visiting American millionaire and who was soon bustled aboard a liner for New York as the rich man's bride. Now there is a dearth of artists' models because of the glamour in the new profession which raises considerably their chances and hopes for a future.

LENIN STREET BARRED IN SMALL FRENCH TOWN

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The government has refused to permit the town of Vitry-Sur-Seine to name one of its thoroughfares "Lenin Street," on the ground that the fame of the Russian leader is not above question.

"The principles of our administrative jurisprudence permits the authorization of public homage only to persons whose memory is above all polemic and is not likely to provoke divisions in public opions," was the decision handed down by the minister of the interior in the official journal.

This incident brought on heated discussion in the chamber of deputies, when the communist deputy Garchery demanded angrily why the government had rule against "Lenin Street."

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General Electric Contributes Valuable Products to Radio In 1925; More Expected Next Year

Highpower Broadcasting and Receiving Sets Developed During Year; Biggest Tube in Country Is Built.

The outstanding developments of the General Electric company in radio transmission during 1925 consisted of the production of large high-powered kenotron rectifier sets, improvements in low-power sets for transmission from ship to shore, and developments in broadcasting on different wavelengths from a developmental station provided with the most powerful and up-to-date apparatus available.

The more important high-power sets developed can briefly be described as follows:

50-kw. Kenotron

A 50-kw. output kenotron rectifier was constructed which was designed to deliver 3.3 amp. of direct current at voltages adjustable from 2500 to 15,000 and to draw power at 220 volts, 3-phase, 25 cycles. The output ripple was reduced to less than 0.25 of one per cent by means of a two-stage filter.

A 20-kw. output transmitter of the most modern type used for long-wave continuous-wave telegraphy utilizes a kenotron rectifier to obtain high-voltage plate power, moster oscillator to control the output frequency, and a power amplifier to generate the required power. The output is variable from 5 to 20 kw. over a frequency range of 60 to 76 kilocycles.

A 40-kw. output transmitter for use at Kahuku, Hawaii, was the largest tube set built for commercial use at the time it was shipped and is only exceeded in output rating by sets now in process of construction. The design comprises a kenotron rectifier, a master oscillator, and a power amplifier. The master oscillator employs a 20-kw. vacuum tube while the power amplifier requires four of these tubes.

A special feature is the type of coils employed, these permitting of so compact a design of the transmitter that it requires a floor space of only 12 feet, 6 inches by 29 feet. The wavelength range is believed to be the longest of any commercial tube set, viz., 14,000 to 17,000 meters. The set may be operated at keying speeds up to 100 words per minute at outputs of 5 to 40 kw.

The power amplifier circuit is of the push-pull type which if the first time this arrangement has been used in a high-power tube set.

Three 80-kw. output transmitters were completed similar in design to the 40-kw. set but of double the output, and are the highest power transmitters using vacuum tubes which have been produced commiercially. A feature of these sets is the use of water-cooled kenotrons in the rectifier which is designed to deliver 10 amp. at potentials of 5,000 to 15,000 volts.

By Transmitters

A number of ship transmitters with an output of 200 watts were produced which have a wavelength range of 600 to 900 meters and any wavelength within this band may be selected quickly by the operator. The master-oscillator— power-amplifier circuit is used, resulting in good frequency stability which is necessary for reliable continuous wave communication.

The possibilities of radio telephone communication from a tug boat to a shore station were investigated and several successful demonstrations were carried out. Radio equipment on a tug boat enables the pilot to receive orders directly from the dispatcher on shore, so that much time is saved when maneuvering in a crowded harbor.

Several applications of quartz crystals as a means of frequency control for a radio transmitter were developed. One of the characteristics of quartz crystals, when oscillating in suitable circuits at the natural frequency of the crystal, is to maintain the frequency of the crystal with great steadiness despite the variations which normally occur in high frequency circuits. Broadcast station WYG is crystal controlled.

Marconi, Inventor of Wireless, Sees Greater Future for Radio in Making World More Peaceful And Happy

"We Have Seen Only the Beginning Of Wireless Development," He Says in Speaking Of the Future.

BY JOHN GUNTHER.
Special Cable.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Senor Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of the wireless and father of the radio has pleased to prepare a Christmas message to the people of the United States and forward it exclusively to the Record News and Chicago Daily News.

Marconi hints that the New Year's may see developments of "television"—pictures by wireless, whereby the people of England and the United States may see simultaneously events all over the world. The veteran inventor likewise looks forward to the radio as an inestimably important agency capable of vast development for the furtherance of world friendship between nations, especially England and the United States.

Marconi's statement follows:

"Remarkable as the development of the wireless has been during the last 30 years, I believe that we have as yet seen only the beginning of its application to human needs and that it is capable of being put to uses at present unimagined. It is in every day use as a means of communication on land and sea as an aid to the navigator and surveyor and as a medium for entertainment of millions of people in every part of the world.

"From research work which is being undertaken in various quarters we may hope to see the wireless developed as a method of transmitting pictures and even to solve the problem of television, enabling the people of America or England to see events in remote parts of the world simultaneously with their occurrence. It is a matter of especial satisfaction to me and others who have been responsible for the growth of this science to know that the wireless enables friendships to be maintained between those whom are separated and it also assists to create and strengthen a friendly spirit between distant nations.

"Providing as it does, an unequalled medium for the exchange of all that is best in national culture, it cannot fail to make for better international understandings and I am confident that it will prove to be an increasingly powerful instrument to the further progress of civilization along world-wide lines."

Marconi signed the statement and expressed great pleasure at thus being able to communicate to thousands of his American friends his Christmas greeting.

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John McCormack and Lucrezia Bori Will Sing Over Radio With Victor Orchestra At New York January 1

Over 70,000 Radio Fans Who Heard World Famous Entertainers Last Year, Send Requests for Another McCormack-Bori Concert.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—John McCormack and Lucrezia Bori, who sang one year ago in the first radio program featuring outstanding concert and operatic stars, will be heard on the evening of January 1, under the auspices of the Victor Talking Machine company through R. C. A.'s new WJZ station, the most powerful radio-broadcasting station in the world.

With WJZ will be hooked up the following station: KYW, Chicago; KDKA, Pittsburgh; WBZ, Springfield; WGY, Schenectady; and WRC of Washington, D. C.

With McCormack and Bori will be heard the Victor Concert orchestra, under the direction of Josef Pasternack.

At Least An Hour.

While details of the program have not been announced by the Victor company, it is stated that the concert is to be not less than an hour in length. Both McCormack and Bori will be heard in a number of solo selections, and they will have one duet number, while the Victor Concert orchestra will render several orchestral ensembles.

The Victor company announces that in celebrating the first anniversary of the inauguration of its radio broadcasting activities, it is presenting the same artists who were heard January 1, 1925, in deference to the written wishes of more than 70,000 radio fans. Out of the flood of applause letters resulting from the first concert, almost every writer made the specific request that McCormack and Bori be put on the air again.

First of Series.

As was the case with the first Victor radio program, the coming concert will mark the beginning of a series of winter broadcastings by a group of the most distinguished operatic and concert stars in the world. Detailed announcement of this series probably will be made shortly after the McCormack-Bori concert.

The concert will be broadcast direct from the Victor recording studios in New York, and thense to WJZ and the other stations in the Radio corporation hook-up.

WILD WEST TALES.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—It has been revealed recently that Mr. Lloyd George is an avid reader of wild west stories. There is nothing the former premier enjoys more than to get wrapped up in a thrilling tale of cow punchers or gold prospectors. He has given instructions to the book dealer who keeps him supplied with reading matter to send him all the good new yarns about the Canadian and American frontiers.

Read the Record News Want Ads You Will Find What You Want.

Vaudeville Over Radio, Offer Of Chicago Theatre

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Having completed the construction of a centralized or general studio, station WOK is now on the air with a most diversified program. This includes dance music from three well known Chicago orchestras, concert music from one of Chicago's largest symphony orchestras and recitals from one of the finest organs, all in addition to the regular studio program.

In order to carry out this new plan of broadcasting, station WOK was moved from the Morrison hotel in Chicago's loop to the Chicago Beach hotel on Hyde Park boulevard overlooking Lake Michigan. Private wires diverge from the new general studio to the Town club on South Wabash avenue, the Capitol, Chicago's new wonder-theatre at 70th and Halsted streets, the Cocoanut Grove restaurant on 63rd street and the Pershing palace at 64th and Cottage Grove avenue. This enables Program Director Howard H. Waters to control the entire system from his diversified program.

The famous orchestra of the Town club, one of Chicago's smartest night clubs, will furnish dance music under the direction of Bernie Cummins. The Capitol theatre will contribute the best numbers from its regular vaudeville bill, being the first time any radio station has attempted to make broadcasting from the stage an every night feature. The Capitol theatre symphony orchestra of 45 pieces under the direction of Albert E. Short, will broadcast its regular concert numbers for those who love fine music. The Capitol's organ, one of the largest in Chicago, will also broadcast from WOK.

To Tune in On Europe's Radio

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—For the purpose of co-operating, as official observer, in the international broadcast tests before and during the week of January 24, "listening in" at sea during the hours when European stations will transmit programs in the hope of reaching American fans, Eric H. Palmer of the Freed-Eisemann Radio corporation will sail on the SS De Grasse of the French line on January 6 and will visit principal broadcasters abroad.

Palmer will report by wireless to the tests committee regarding reception also of stations in the United States, Canada and Mexico, that reach Europe.

NEW YEAR'S EVE SUPPERS TO BE COSTLY IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Revellion suppers to see the new year in will not be allowed to lose any of their traditional gaiety on account of the debts and difficulties with which the country is struggling.

Those debts and difficulties, in fact, affect the state; the individual does not seem to be suffering from them. The average prices in the restaurants show an increase as compared with last year, however.

On New Year's eve, 1924, the price per plate varied from 35 to 150 francs. While it will still be possible this year to pay only 40 francs ($1.60), the maximum limit per plate has been moved to 250 ($10) and a party of four will find its bill, with wine and tips, amounting to about 2,000 francs ($80.)

GERMAN FINANCIER A DANCE STEP PROMOTER.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—The silence into which Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, president of the Reichsbank, has chosen to wrap himself since his return from the United States has given rise to all sorts of rumors as to what he accomplished and what he failed to accomplish.

Two wags of the Burghstrasse, Berlin's wall street, have started a story in this connection that Dr. Schacht brought back with him two new and fashionable American dances. They are called "Pas de Credit," and "Pas d'Argent"—which may be translated either the "credit step" and "money step," or "No credit," and "no money."

HARD FOR AUTHORS

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Most French authors do not and probably cannot live by the pen alone. A list of writers published in the 1926 edition of the "Paris Almanac" shows that many of them consider themselves as following other callings. The list contains a city hall functionary, a pig dealer, a naval officer, two farmers, a publisher, a lawyer, two engineers, a physician, a judge, a bank employe and a forestry inspector. Andre Maurois, author of "Ariel," based on the life of Shelley, the translation of which was very successful in America calls himself a cloth weaver. Jean De Pierrefeu, author of several books published in the United States, is a manufacturer of perfumes; Pierre Hamp is an engineer, and Jean Giraudoux a diplomatist.

WINTER RESORTS ARE IN FULL SWING IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—(AP)— The week before Christmas and New Year finds the German winter sport resorts more crowded than at any similar period since the war. Passage on special as well as regular trains from Berlin, Cologne, Frankfort and other centers to Thuringia, the Harz mountains, the Black Forest, the Bavarian Alps and Silesia were sold out weeks in advance and the hotels and pensions in those regions are doing an excellent business.

The travelers are chiefly civil servants, professors, doctors and small business men who are able to leave for a week with their families. Early and plentiful snow falls encouraged the exodus from the cities to the wintry country.

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Radio Programs

Sunday, December 27.
International Radio Programs.
Central Standard Time.
Ether's White-Caps.

6:20 WCCO (417) St. Paul—Second Church of Christ, Scientist.
8:10 WBBR, (273) Staten Isl—Watchtower String quartet.
8:15 WEAF, (492) N. Y.—Atwater Kent Radio hour.
9:30 CFCT, (410) Victoria—Capitol theatre organ recital.

Silent Stations.

Eastern: CFCF, WAAM, WAHG, WGBU, WOR, WRC, WTAM, WTIC. Central: KFKX, WHA, WLIB, WMAQ, WOI. Western: KFWA, KLX.

Morning Services 9:30 a. m.

WOO (509) Phila. Presbyterian.
9:55 a. m.
WGZ, (533) Springfield Church of the Unity.
10:00 a. m.
KDKA, (309) East Pittsburgh Services.
WMCA, (341) N. Y. Christ Scientist.
WNAC, (280) Boston. Cathedral church.
WWJ, (353) Detroit, St. Paul's Episcopal.
CFCA, (356) Toronto, Anglican.
WGY, (380) Schenectady. First Reformed.
WHAS, (400) Louisville, Episcopal.
11:00 a. m.
KLDS, (441) Independence. Stone church.
WSB, (428) Atlanta. First Presbyterian.
KYW, (536) Chicago. Central Ch.
WLW, (423) Cincinnati. Seventh Presbyterian.
WCCO, (417) St. Paul. Plymouth Congregational.
KTHS, (375) Hot Springs. Methodist.
WHO, (526) Des Moines. Church services.

12:00 Noon

KNX, (337) Hollywood, First Presbyterian.
KOA, (322) Denver, Presbyterian.
12:15 p. m.
KGW, (492) Portland, St. Stephens

AFTERNOON SERVICES.

1:00 p. m.
KJR, (385) Seattle, First M. E.
KPO, (423) San Francisco, Nonsectarian.
KGO, (361) Oakland—Christian Science.
WEAF, (492) New York. Sunday Radio service.
1:30 p. m.
WOO, (509) Phila. Sunday school.
2:40 p. m.
WHT, (400) Chicago. Missionary hour.
2:45 p. m.
WCAE, (462) Pitts. Dr. P. S. Cadman.
3:00 p. m.
KFNF, (266) Shenandoah, Ia., Golden Rule circle.
3:30 p. m.
WPG, (300) Atlantic City community.
KDKA, (309) E. Pittsburgh. Vespers.
4:00 p. m.
KFAB, (341) Lincoln, services.
WHAS, (400) Louisville. Vespers
KMA, (252) Shenandoah. Vespers.
WDAF, (366) Kansas City, Methodist.
4:30 p. m.
WEBW, (263) Detroit. Vespers.

EVENING SERVICES.

5:15 p. m.
WCAU, (277) Pitts. Undenominational.
6:00 p. m.
WFNF, (266) Shenandoah, Ia., Golden Rule circle.
KFAA, (476) Dallas. Bible class.
KLDS, (441) Independence. Vespers
WJZ, (455) N. Y. Levitow's Ensemble.
6:45 p. m.
WHAR, (275) Atlantic City. Chelsea Baptist.
7:15 p. m.
WRNY, (259) N. Y. De Witt-Clinton Congregational.
7:30 p. m.
WREO, (286) Lansing, Mich. services.
KFNF, (266) Shenandoah. Christian.
WFAA, (476) Dallas Temple ch.
7:45 p. m.
WSB, (428) Atlanta, Presbyterian.
8:00 p. m.
WLS, (345) Chicago, Little Brown church.
WOAI, (395) San Antonio, sermon.
8:30 p. m.
KOA, (320) Denver, service.
WOS, (441) Jefferson City, Christian church.
9:00 p. m.
WOAW, (526) Omaha, chapel.
9:30 p. m.
KGW, (490) Portland, Christian Science.

CONCERT—TALKS.

1:30 p. m.
WJZ, (455) New York, Sunday Forum.
2:00 p. m.
WIBO, (226) Chicago, afternoon (2 hours.)
2:30 p. m.
WNAC, (280) Boston, Boston band.
WCX, (517) Detroit, Municipal band.
2:45 p. m.
WFAF, (492) New York, Y. M. C. A. talk, also WEEI, WCTS, WCAN, WSAI.
4:00 p. m.
KYW, (536) Chicago, Classical.
5:00 p. m.
WOO, (509) Philadelphia, Grand opera.
KOA, (322) Denver, afternoon music.
5:30 p. m.
KSD, (546) St. Louis, "WEAF" Good Will program.
6:20 p. m.
WEAF, (492) N. Y. "Capitol theatre Gang," also from WCAF, WCAP, WEEI, WJAR, and WWJ.
7:00 p. m.
WEBH, (370)—Chicago, vocal.
CKY, (450) Winnipeg, musical.
KFWA, (261) Ogden, Utah, musical.
WFAR, (390) Cleveland, Park theatre.
WGN, (370) Chicago, Drake Ensemble.
WBZ, (333) Springfield, Human motives.
7:30 p. m.
WTW, (248) St. Louis, lecture.
8:00 p. m.
WBBR, (273) Staten Island, choral
WEAR, (390) Cleveland, mixed quartet.
WHAR, (275) Atlantic City, Seaside Trio.
WNYC, (526) N. Y. Strand theatre.
KFDM, (316) Beaumont, Texas, Sacred
KLDS, (441) Independence, Presentation of Handel's "Messiah."
WCBD, (345) Zion, mixed quartet.
8:15 p. m.
WFAF, (492) N. Y. Atwater-Kent, also WCAF, WEAR, WGR, WCCO, WEEI, WJAR, WWJ, WOC, WOI. WSAI.
WGR, (319) Buffalo, Atwater-Kent Radio hour.
8:30 p. m.
WMBB, (250) Chicago, Popular.
8:45 p. m.
WIP, (509) Philadelphia, Little Symphony orchestra.
9:00 p. m.
WGN (370) Chicago, Drake Ensemble.
WCCO, (417) St. Paul. Mpls., classical.
WSUI, (484) Iowa City, Familiar hymns.
KLDS, (441) Independence, vocal.
9:15 p. m.
WSAI, (326) Cincinnati Union Cent. Life Insurance, concert.
9:30 p. m.
WFAA, (476) Dallas, recital.
WOAI, (395) San Antonio, concert.
9:45 p. m.
WOC, (484) Davenport, Palmer Little Symp.
10:00 p. m.
WPG, (300) Atlantic City, organ.
10:30 p. m.
WHT, (400) Chicago, Back Home hour.
11:00 p. m.
WBBM, (303) Mooseheart, "Backstage."

ORCHESTRAS.
(Name of orchestra is given.)

3:00 p. m.
WHN, (361) New York, Roseland.
WOWL, (270) New Orleans, Dance.
3:30 p. m.
WHO, (526) Des Moines, Reese Hughes.
5:00 p. m.
WJZ, (455) New York, Ahas', WMCA, (341) New York. Hotel McAlpin.
WEAR, (390) Cleveland, Theatre.
WEBH, (370) Chicago, Oriole.
WCX, (517) Detroit, Symphony.
7:00 p. m.
WBCN, (226) Chicago, Midway.
WMCA, (341) New York, Ashury Park.
WOJ, (448) Chicago, Rainbo.
WPG, (300) Atlantic City Concert.
8:00 p. m.
WBBM, (223) Chicago, String Trio.
9:00 p. m.
WBBR, (273) Staten Island, Watchtower.
KTHS, (375) Hot Springs, Meyer-Davis.
9:30 p. m.
WOC, (484) Davenport, Little Symphony.
9:45 p. m.
WHN, (361) N. Y. Jansen's.
10:00 p. m.
KPO, (423) San Francisco, Palace hotel.
KNX, (337) Hollywood, Ambassador.

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Kodel Perfects A Unique New Product

For the first time in radio, a test of a new radio product was successfully carried out by the Kodel Radio corporation, operating station WKRC at Cincinnati when representatives of that company operating the new Kodel A and B Power nits, which they have been testing for the past three months, were requested to tune in on station WKRC and telegraph their results.

The station, located in Cincinnati, was picked up with the new Kodel A and B power units, eliminating batteries, by representatives in New York, Chicago, Detroit, Bostou, Philadelphia, Atlanta, St. Louis, Kansas City, Houston, Dallas, Denver and St. Paul. The west coast did not get the program, it was stated.

The new Kodel A and B power units have been in the Kodel laboratories for two years. Three months ago finished products were sent in secret to Kodel representatives for final test of 90 days. At the end of that time the test from WKRC was broadcast with excellent results and having proved their work, the manufacturing of the Twin units, each separate for those who desire A power or B power, will start.

The A and B twin power units are in two all-steel cabinets finished in dark maroon and silver finishings. Both are built under the Underwriters' specifications. The A power operates perfectly with either four or six volts and is heralded by radio engineers as a big step forward in the improvement of radio reception and toward the standardization of radio.

Formal Dances In Disrepute in London

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The article in denunciation of formal society dances with their stag lines and defense of cabarets which Miss Ellin Mackay, prominent in New York society, contributed recently to a New York publication, has found many supporters in England. There are many indications that Miss Mackay expressed in writing what youth nearly all over the world thinks.

In London it is becoming more and more difficult for ambitious hostesses to get together enough prominent young people to stage a successful dance. The prince of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of York are distinctly "party-shy" and before the death of Queen Alexandra were often seen in night clubs with parties of dancing friends with whom they could have an informal evening.

The formal dance, with its battery of critical and bejewelled dowagers on the sidelines, is rapidly going into the discard in English society. It had been decidedly in less favor ever since the war, when so many young people threw aside ceremony and learned the joy of comradeship between sexes without the elaborate trimmings of formal social functions.

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Movie Stars Put Stop to Moustaches

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—Movie stars have put a crimp in a "back to the moustache" movement which had been gaining a foothold in Germany. Despite the banishment of the Kaiserly moustache at the same time that Wilhem went into exile, crusaders have been declaring that the moustache is the only badge of masculinity left to men. Actresses have taken issue with them.

Mady Christians, who started her stage career at the Irving Place theater, New York, said:

"Only clean shaven men for me! and the cleaner shaven the better. I wouldn't give a penny for all the rest, whether sporting a new style moustache, an imperial or side whiskers."

Fritzi Massary, opperetta star, thought the moustache had no chance of a revival in any form for the simple reason that smooth shaven men achieve the illusion of youth, which gave bobbed hair its easy victory among women.

Henny Porten, film actor said: For a woman the answer to this question depends entirely upon the man she happens to be kissing!"

Beligerants Still Friendly in Paris

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Paris recently had an illustration of the fact that diplomats representing powers near the breaking point frequently are the best of friends, and can find it possible to be very comradely after a day devoted to the delivery of serious charges against the adversary under instructions from their government.

M. Morloff, who pleaded the cause of Bulgaria before the league of nations council which sat in judgment on the recent Greece-Bulgarian border conflict, and M. Carapanos, who represented Greece at the same session, were seen one night entering a famous montmartre cafe together, arm in arm and talking with the friendliness of two school boy chums. Persons seated near them in the cafe reported not a word was uttered about the frontier incident which had brought their countries before the bar of the league's justice.

HORSE A DEADLY WEAPON IS GIST OF NEW REPORT

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The horse is deadlier than the automobile, is the thesis in support of which the automobile club of western France publishes some unusual statistics in its annual report. In the club's territory centering around LeMans, horse drawn vehicles caused more fatal accidents than motor cars during the period under observation, July 1, 1922 to September 20, 1923.

In the department of Sarthe there were 439 horse vehicle accidents and only 302 automobile mishaps, while bicycles were blamed for 277 more. Thirty-nine deaths were blamed on horse drawn conveyances and 439 cases of injury; 25 deaths were caused and 293 persons injured by motor cars, and 10 death caused and 274 persons injured by bicycles.

The club's figures show that for every 60,000,000 miles of road covered the horse vehicles caused an average of 11.15 deaths and motor cars 1.67.

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Solicitors, Canvassers, Agents 35

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Solicitors, Canvassers, Agents 35

IN EXCHANGE for house work to white couple, new two-room apartment. Phone 6776.

WANT—A 'wide-awake' Real Estate Salesman with car. Have more business than we can attend to. Apply 804 Ohio.

Situations Wanted—Female 36

WANTED—Place to work for room and board by young lady attending Draughons' College. Phone 5656.

Situations Wanted—Male 37

YOUNG man wants place to work to defray expenses while attending Draughon's College. Phone 5656.

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

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BUY your furniture on our easy installment plan. S. W. Womack furniture. 707 Tenth. Phone 5157.

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We will buy all your tow sacks and bushel baskets. 1001 Ohio. Phone 3893.

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MILCH COW for sale at your price. A young Jersey cow, giving milk. Good sound condition. Phone 5183.

Miscellaneous for Sale 51

A PART of Johnson rotary rig with drill pipe and most everything necessary for drilling a well, at a bargain. $1,200.00. TEXAS IRON & METAL WORKS, 205 Mississippi St. Phone 6860.

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WANTED FURNITURE
Furniture for apartments on bargain prices; cabinet, chifferobes or dressers; beds, springs, rockers, tables and chairs. Phone 6673.

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FOR SALE—Building 12x20, in good condition, can be moved or torn down. Suitable for garage. Phone 5183.

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FOR SALE—Cheap. Used Burrough adding machine. Box No. 159.

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Machinery and Tools 61

FOR SALE—All sizes pipe from 1 to 20-inches, oil well supplies, machinery, collars, couplings, fittings and connections, everything required in the oil fields. Texas Iron and Metal Co., 205 Mississippi. Phone 3860.

Musical Merchandise 62

FOR SALE—One Empress Expression piano—coin operated—this electric coin piano, suitable for picture shows, cafe or dance halls, one Wurlitzer electric, coin operated $375. Music which pays its way.
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BARGAINS IN USED AND NEW PHONOGRAPHS.

1—Manaphone, used	$25.00
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1—Silverstone, used	$45.00
1—$150 Columbia	$75
Slightly used Brunswick in oak	$75.00
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1—$175 Starr, used	$85.00

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Wanted—To Buy 66

WANTED TO BUY—Men's, ladies and children's wearing apparel, bring them to the store and we will give you a fair price for them. G. W. Wright. 804 Ohio.

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REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

Rooms With Board 67

NICELY furnished bedroom adjoining bath, meals if preferred. To gentleman or ladies, also garage. 802 Brook. Phone 3643.

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ROOM and board, $10 week. Call at 1007 Burnett. Phone 6306.

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NICE desirable bed rooms. Close in. 702 Austin.

Rooms for Housekeeping 69

FOR RENT—One furnished room to couple. 1317 16th St.

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Wanted—Rooms or Board 73

WANTED—Room and board in private home for student. Phone 5656.

Apartments and Flats 74

NICELY furnished apartment, good location. 1507 Monroe. Phone 7090.

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4-ROOM apartment, all modern conveniences. Call 1824 Collins. Phone 6002.

Business Places for Rent 75

OFFICES for rent, nice desirable, centrally located, $22.50 to $30; also office space furnished or unfurnished. Call at the Golden Beetle Coffee Shop. Delphyne Building. 804-B Indiana Ave.

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FOR RENT—Lot 50x130, on pavement, close in. Phone 7296 or 5631.

Houses for Rent. 77

FOR RENT—Garage. 809 Bluff St. Phone 8425.

FOR RENT—Good five-room unfurnished house, and breakfast room; pavement, good location, $67.50 per month. Phone 3710.

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One 1925 Dodge roadster	$575
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One 1923 Buick four roadster	$275

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One 61 Cadillac roadster	1,000
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1923 Hudson touring	200
59 Cadillac roadster	400
1922 Dodge roadster	225
1924 Dodge sedan	600
1922 Buick roadster	200
1923 Willys-Knight	350
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1922 Ford roadster	100
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AUCTIONS—LEGALS

RECEIVER'S NOTICE OF SALE.

The state of Texas, county of Wichita, notice is hereby given by John Gould, receiver, in cause No. 17520-C, styled E. J. Bartels vs. H. B. Poland, in the 89th district court, wherein E. J. Bartels is plaintiff and H. B. Poland, and wife, Linnie Poland, P. B. Roberts, and wife, Mrs. C. H. Roberts, Keystone Pipe & Supply company, a corporation, J. H. Sheets, and H. Carl Wright, are defendants, and judgment rendered in said cause wherein the plaintiff recovered judgment in the sum of $2,347.00, with 8 per cent interest from date of judgment, October 19, 1925, and Keystone Pipe & Supply company recovered judgment in the sum of $255.00, with 6 per cent interest from date of judgment, and also foreclosed the chattel mortgage lien on the below described property in favor of said judgment in the proportions above mentioned; and in said judgment John Gould was appointed receiver by agreement in open court, and was in said judgment granted the authority and was commanded to sell the property covered by the chattel mortgage lien at public or private sale, and time for which said sale to be made being extended so that the receiver may sell same at any time before January 20, 1926, that in pursuance of said order and the power vested in me as receiver by the order of said court, I, John Gould, will sell the below described personal property for cash on the 2nd day of January, 1923, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. at the office of the Peoples Press Publishing company, located at the Labor Temple, 703 Travis street, in the city of Wichita Falls, Wichita county, Texas, to the highest bidder, said property being now located at the place above mentioned, and being described as follows: One No. 8 linotype machine and motor, one Babcock cylinder press and motor, one 9x12 Chandler & Price job press and motor, one 10x15 Chandler & Price job press and motor, one Miller saw and trimmer and motor, one paper cutter, one stapling machine, five make-up stones and stands, 125 cases of type, three rules, one cabinet, and three type stands, stock of printing paper, office equipment, metal and supplies.

JOHN GOULD, Receiver.

NOTICE to property owners of 23rd and Bridwell Streets and others interested.

The board of aldermen of the city of Wichita Falls have received an application for a permit to erect and operate a grocery store at the corner of 23rd and Bridwell Streets and before issuing said permit a public hearing will be held at 7:30 p. m. on Jan. 4, 1926, in the basement of the Morgan building for the purpose of hearing protests against issuance of said permit.

Done in accordance with resolution adopted by the board of aldermen on Dec. 21, 1925.

W. E. McBROOM
City Clerk.

ORDINANCE NO. 679

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO THE GULF REFINING COMPANY, A TEXAS CORPORATION, WITH ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICE AT HOUSTON, IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, A FRANCHISE AND PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE TRACK OF RAILWAY SWITCH ON AND ACROSS MILL STREET IN THE CITY OF WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS:

That it is hereby granted to the Gulf Refining company, a corporation with its principal office in Houston, Harris county, Texas, a franchise and right to construct a single line track on, upon and across Mill Street in said city of Wichita Falls, Texas, as follows:

Beginning at a point on the railroad right-of-way of the Wichita Valley railway; thence in a southeasterly direction across Mill Street; thence in a southeasterly direction on to Block No. 2 of McBride's second subdivision to said city; thence in a southerly direction and along the western margin of said Block No. 2 to a point on the north line of alley, as more fully set forth by print dated December 18, 1925, attached.

The said Gulf Refining company is hereby authorized to construct said track as above indicated, but it is expressly provided that said track when constructed shall conform to the grade of said street, and the said Gulf Refining company binds itself and its agents to keep said track and that portion of the street affected by it in such condition as to not unnecessarily interfere with the use of the said street by the owners of any adjoining property.

The said Gulf Refining company in accepting this franchise and permit further agrees and obligates itself to lay such track according to such directions as may be designated by the city engineer of said city and to build said track as speedily as possible consistent with existing conditions.

The said Gulf Refining company by accepting this ordinance and franchise agrees and binds itself to indemnify and save harmless the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, against any and all claims and suits for damages of any and every character which may arise, or which may be assessed against said city by reason of any act or thing done or failed to be done by the said Gulf Refining company in the construction of said track, and the said Gulf Refining company further agrees at its own cost and expense to defend any and all suits which may be brought against the said city by reason of any act of thing which may be done by it or any failure on its part to do any act or thing in connection with the laying of said track and the maintenance of same and agrees to indemnify the said city against all charges and costs of every character whatsoever.

The said Gulf Refining company accepting this ordinance and franchise agrees and binds itself and as part consideration herein that in the event that that portion of Mill Street in said city, where its railway tracks are laid, is ever paved, that the Gulf Refining company will pay all cost in putting a solid reinforced concrete base under its tracks and agrees to pave between its tracks and to pave eighteen inches on each side of its tracks at its own expense and according to the specifications of the city engineer and board of aldermen of said city.

This ordinance shall go into effect whenever the said Gulf Refining company shall have filed with the city clerk of the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, a written acceptance of the same, and agreement on its part to all provisions and conditions hereinbefore set forth. The franchise hereby granted shall continue to be in force and effect for a period of thirty (30) years.

R. E. SHEPHERD, Mayor.

Attest:
W. E. McBROOM, City Clerk.

RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR RELATIVE TO ORDINANCE NO. 679.

To the Board of Aldermen, City of Wichita Falls, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I recommend the passage of the attached ordinance and submit the same to you for your consideration I hereby order that said ordinance be published in full in the Wichita Falls Record News with this recommendation and further provide that a public hearing will be held on the 25th day of January, 1926, in the Council Chamber in the Bob Wagoner Building, in the City of Wichita Falls, Texas, at which time and place anyone interested in the provisions and terms of said ordinance may appear before the Board of Aldermen and will be given a full and fair hearing as to any objections or amendments that they may wish to raise or present.

Witness my official signature this the 26th day of December, 1925.

R. E. SHEPHERD,
Mayor.

The Old Home Town

Mrs. G. O. Rowland of Indianapolis is a guest at the some of Mrs. Harry Smith, 712 Wofford Street.

Employes, 40 in all, of Cameron's cafeteria received $10 gold pieces with other presents given them by W. I. Cameron, the proprietor, in a Christmas eve party held at the cafeteria.

Mrs. Aquila Hampton and son, Uriah C. Hampton, have as their guests during the Christmas holiday, their daughter and sister, Mrs. D. M. White and family of Hamlin, Texas, also, their nephew and cousin, Mr. Ora A. Brewer of New Boston, Texas.

WIRE FIRMS ARE HEAVY LOSERS IN FRENCH STORM.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Telegraph and telephone lines have suffered much through the storms of the last few days and a communique issued from the ministry of commerce tonight admits that the situation is serious.

The three-masted Finnish vessel, Rauha, was towed into Lorient today, having lost two of her masts.

Tobacco Makes Women Lose Men, Crusader Avers



Tacit approval of smoking in certain girls' colleges has caused Charles G. Pease, head of Non-Smokers' Protective league, to launch a new campaign against use of the weed by women. Tobacco makes women lose their morals, their complexions, their graceful figures, and their lovers, he avers.

GIRL SKEPTICS — By Rupert Hughes

Another bombshell has been dropped into the camp of the elders by the irrepressible youngsters. It is nothing less than the query, "Of what use, if any, is the family?"

This hair-raising question is asked by the young women of two great universities, plenty of whom were found willing to take the offensive and declare that the Family is of dubious value—a much over-rated and deceptive institution.

Surely nobody is more interested in the family than the future wives and mothers, and whether they are right or wrong, they have the right to ask questions.

To vast numbers of old and conservative minds, the mere query is nothing less than sacrilege, blasphemy and infamy. But the time has passed for ordering youth to keep quiet and believe what it is told.

And, surely, any institution that is so useful and so beautiful as to be sacred must be justified by enough reasons to refute, confound or convince the skeptics. Any institution that is impregnably founded on right and utility should welcome attack in order to prove itself.

But we are still far away from that millenium in which all things good and wise and true shall be defended by their own inherent virtues and not by smoke-screens of sancitiy.

History has taught us all too well that the word "sacrilege" is all too often the only defense there is for ancient evils, superstitions and injustices that crumble the moment they are punctured by the fierce word "Why?" The divine right of kings, the divine institution of slavery, the divine right of parental tyranny, the divine right of a flat earth around which revolve a few servile planets, the divine right of woman's servility, the divine right of indissoluble marriage under the selection and control of the parents, the divine right of the husband to do all the voting, control all the property, and manage his own life and his wife's and their children's lives according to his own sweet will, the divine right of a mother country to run her colonies for her own benefit exclusively, the divine right of certain people to deny the circulation of the blood, the circulation of the planets, the circulation of the free press—a hundred other tyrranies and entrenched ignorances called divine have been dethroned.

Recent history has been a regular Boston Tea Party, and tons of old sanctities have been chucked overboard by rebels disguised as savages, but really earnest progressives.

It is the chief business of youth to question everything offered to it. It is the chief business of age to offer youth its experience, its real wisdom and its humble advice, for the investigation of youth, not for its compulsory acceptance.

And so it is altogether right and proper that young women should say: "Before I accept marriage and all the burdens and shackles of wedlock, please tell me just what it really means, amounts to and promises. What are its dangers? What are its rewards? What are its responsibilities? What use is it all anyway?" If it is useful, beneficient and beautiful, the answer should be easy and the question welcome.

No one could have had a better than I. Nobody could be more convinced than I that family life at its best is the best thing on earth. For that reason, I am the more, not the less, willing to have anybody enquire into its benefits. For that reason, I am the more ready to admit that the family can be, and ever so often is, a hell on earth from which the victims should be released as easily and speedily as possible.

I believe so much in the value and rapture of a successful family life, that I think it a duty to warn away from it those who are unsuited to it at all; to warn all who would enter it to take the utmost care to prepare their souls for it and select their partners with the most exacting conscience; and to help release from it for another experiment those who have failed in their first efforts at bliss.

A family is a success only in so far as it is made up of congenial units father and mother or a happier home and conducted with due respect for the rights of all the members who may enter it voluntarily, as husband and wife, or involuntarily, as children.

Among the most sacred rights of family life, I place happiness, and comfort, and the development of one's freedom and ability to their supreme.

Among the most sacred rights of the family, I place the liberty to leave it at will. I believe more and more in divorce by mutual consent without scandal or the suggestion of criminality.

There never was a happy family life where there was coercion and it is scandalous to pretend that the cruel shames of the past were really honorable or helpful to anybody just because we have forgotten the miseries or never heard of them from the poor thwarted souls whose moans are choked with dust.

The best cure for divorce is to make them easy. It is the poorest of answers to grow black in the face with rage, shut one's eyes to history past or present an dinsist that certain human institutions are so sacred that they must be maintained even by falsehood, despotism, slander and the eternal multiplication of tragedy.

In all those countries where divorce by mutual consent has been made legal, the action has diminished the number of divorces.

Only today I read in the paper strange news from Uraguay, which, being of Spanish origin was long bound down to the Spanish idea of no divorce under any circumstances.

Down there in spite of all the difficulties put in its way, divorce kept increasing, families more and more numerously went on the rocks. And so at last a rash experiment was tried.

Divorce was made easier than anywhere else I konw of. All an unhappy woman has to do in Uraguay, is to go to a judge and say, "I want my freedom." Having registered that wish she goes about her business. A year later, if she is still of the same mind, she appears again and repeats her declaration. Automatically she receives from the judge her divorce papers, with no scandal, no notoriety, no disgrace—none of those disgusting compulsory perjuries that abound in our own country, where divorces increase so much more rapidly than marriages.

The man who carried through the measure was startled to find that his own wife was the first to take advantage of it. He was laughed at, but he was lucky; for how ghastly it must be to be the husband of a wife who would get a divorce if she only had the chance!

The evil of divorce and the failure of marriage are proclaimed incessantly in our country with all possible horror. And now a number of young women ask the flat question, Why the family at all?

There is only one proper answer to this legitimate and intelligent question, and that answer is: "Here are so many reasons that you will surely admit the value of the family and hasten to raise one of your own."

No other answer is worth while in a free country whose youth is its only hope.

The question was raised by the students of two of our greatest universities, the University of California, wich has about fifteen thousand pupils and the University of Leland Stanford Junior, which has about a quarter as many.

Debates have long been the custom between universities, and the debating societies of the old colleges used to take the place of the athletic contests that now engage such enormous numbers.

In the old days, such problems were debated as, "Is the horse a more useful domestic animal than the cow?" "Is the tariff a tax or a protection?" "Is the study of the classics more valuable than the study of the sciences?"

It is well understood that the debate was an exercise in mental athletics, and a debater, like a lawyer, was not necessarily exploiting his own views. It was considered highly proper and ingenious to defend a position in which one did not really believe.

For some years there has been an annual debating contest between the women of Stanford and the women of California. This year the question selected was this:

"Resolved, that the family is not necessary for the progress of civilization."

California drew the negative, and selected as her representatives two brave young women who, like the old "advocates of the devil," were pious souls chosen to give the devil his day in court. They prepared with all earnestness to make their arguments. Whether or not they themselves believed in the family, I do not know. Probably they believe in the family as heartily as anybody but simply did their duty and gathered the best negative arguments they could devise.

Then the president of the university, Dr. William Wallace Campbell, stepped in and forbade the debate. The newspaper reporters stepped in and made headlines of the suppression Somehow they secured the notes of the debaters. Then the fat was in the fire.

Now I haven't the slightest criticism to make of Dr. Campbell. He is an astronomer of such eminence that he has been since 1901 the director of the Lick Observatory. He has made astronomical expeditions to Mexico, Spain, Russia, India, Australia, and he has received several gold medals from foreigns societies. For two years he has also been president of the University of California and has alternated between sweeping the heavens with his telescopes and regarding with even more astonishment through his naked eyes the extraordinary behavior of his fifteen thousand students. They must often have made him think that he was studying something the exact opposite of heaven.

The president of a university, like the president of these United States, is not a free agent; he is bound to offend great numbers of people whatever he does or abstains from doing. He is the target for unfailing abuse. Politicians, pulpiteers, fathers, mothers, critics of every sort assail him with ferocity at every step. If he grants youth too much freedom, he is attacked as an anarchist; if he offers the least restraint, he is attacked as a reactionary czar.

The president of any college containing fifteen thousand students is like the mayor of a small city. He is bound to have in his bailiwick a certain number of crooks, criminals, defectives and trouble-makers as well as innocent people whose indiscretions may be ruinous.

If I had been President Campbell, I should have probably done just what he did. Believing as I do in the freedom of speech, I do not believe that it is always appropriate for everybody to say everything that comes into his or her mind on every occasion.

It is quite likely that I should have said to these two young women just what Dr. Campbell said, or something less adroit. For the sake of the two girls thrust into the limelight, I might well have intervened to protect them from an avalanche of notoriety, abuse, misunderstanding in all directions.

In that case, I should haxe expected to be criticised by some people for suppressing free thought, just as President Campbell was criticised by some of his parishioners. But two leaders of the university life approved his action so heartily that they rebuked the girls with indignation. The president of the associated student body, and the student debating commissioner. It is significant that both of these were men; and men have generally been scandalized by freedom of thought or speech when women use it.

Nevertheless, the question got out and the whole world had a chance to read what was meant only as a class room exercise. So once more repression has resulted in circulation.

Neither of the young debaters showed any violence of language; both were calm and clever and one of them was very witty.

The first began by asserting with perfect accuracy and historical correctness:

"Love and marriage do not always go together. Marriage is generally taken to be the expression of a man's natural tendency to love and be loved. This was most certainly not so in the olden times, and is by no means as true today as is popularly supposed. The home as a place for the rearing of children is no longer necessary. Child rearing is now almost completely an institutional training; for the child is cared for in the schools and in public institutions."

Her brief was not published at length, but several of the other's pungent arguments were printed, including these brisk paragraphs:

"Lately the family has been considered a convenient Aunt Sally upon which to blame all the ills of society.

"We don't want to appear individualistic in the matter, but since the family was created to give satisfaction to man, and man was not created for the family (as we so often tell ourselves—secretly) we must see how the family affects the individual. Society always receives its contributions through the individual, and whatever affects him will be reflected in society in general.

"One of the colors used in painting our typical picture of home is love with companionship, but there are so many homes where 'Give 'em the ax!' seems to be the watchword.

"It would benefit society in general and the family in particular if men would regard seclusion as an unshaven haven and women would look upon themselves as the only spectator of a curi paper paradise.

"Men are men and women are women only in the great open spaces of seclusion."

"Many people feel that there can be only one head of a family and proceed to make themselves czar. Many a mother is held fast by the stranglehold of her children, while the henpecked husband is so funny in the comics because he is so tragic in real life. How many of us dare to dry our hands on the guest towel?

"The family may create a certain steadiness of character but often forces you into a rut. Many of you know that you have been kept from doing something worth-while by these same family ties.

"Finally, why should one-half the world cook for the other half? This alone is symbolic of the family. The family like the brook goes on forever, and we feel we mustn't or can't change it. But civilization itself seems to be inflicting a gradual if not painless death upon the family.

"It is like putting new wine in old bottles to give man social progress and yet expect him to preserve an institution founded upon primitive conditions and needs."

For giving thought to such things, these girls were denounced by the student president and the debating commissioner as "obstinately indifferent to the best interests of the university." They were rebuked for even debating a subject "appropriate for a classroom but not proper for a university platform before a public audience."

These gentlement may be right, but the minds of women young and old are in tremendous ferment, and millions of them are turning skeptic eyes upon the most venerably respectable institutions.

Many good people will use this debate as another evidence of the loudly proclaimed charge that our universities are cultivating lawlessness, irreligion and anarchy. But the fault, if it is a fault, exists outside the universities just as notably. The very youngest girls are asking "Why? Why? Why?" and thew will not accept the old answer "Because."

The Y. M. C. A. of this same University of California has just released statistics indicating that more than 50 per cent of the students entering the Freshman class has no religion whatever. The same thing has been proved of other universities. It has been proved true of the young people outside the universities.

The family then is not teaching the children religion in the majority of cases. The very people who would censure these two young women for questioning the value of the Family, may find themselves confounded by their very censure.

In ancient Sparta there was no family life at all as we understand it. Everything was for the state. What if the same conditions should arise among us?



The Henpecked Husband Is So Funny in the Comics—Because He Is So Tragic in Real Life.

STINES FIRM WILL SPEND 10 MILLIONS IN ALASKA

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Authorization of a gold mining development program involving expenditure of more than $10,000,000 here within the next three years was announced today by Norman B Stines, manager of the Fairbanks Exploitation company, a subsidiary of the United States Smelting and Refining company. Stines made his announcement by cable to the Fairbanks News-Miner from Havana, Cuba.

The Record News want ads give the best results.

SCIENCE SEEKS TO AID FARMER

Experts to Go Deep Into Agricultural Study of Nation

By HARDEN COLFAX.
Special Correspondent.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Science is reaching out its inquisitive hand to turn farm operations inside out and see what can be done to make their wheels turn more rapidly efficiently and cheaply. The American farmers now spend more than three billion dollars a year for power, and can spend more with profit to themselves and added comfort, too.

While the economist has been in the forefront in the consideration of agricultural problems the engineer is preparing to catch up with him rapidly.

No Cause to Worry.

In the vision of the future painted by the engineer, there is no cause for worry about the migration from the farms to the cities, or of a population on short rations, for in this picture there is a heavy substitution of mechanical power for human labor.

Secretary Jardine has appointed a special committee to outline a comprehensive program for investigation in the field of farm operating equipment, headed by Professor J. B. Davidson of Iowa State college. A meeting soon will be held of an advisory committee composed of members of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the National Association of Farm Equipment Manufacturers and representatives of the department of agriculture.

Plan a Close Study.

When the work done previously by various agencies has been gone over, a decision will be reached as to the research problems which first should be attacked, then intensive studies along these lines will be taken up by whatever agencies may best absorb them.

Farmers of the United States have not been backward in adopting mechanical means of operating. A study recently made by the agricultural engineering department of the department of agriculture with the co-operation of other agencies of that department showed that in the last 75 years the volume of production of the average farm worker has increased about threefold, due chiefly to the substitution of power and machinery for hand methods.

Aged Hermit Is Living In Woods

SOFIA, Bulgaria.—In the center of a forest not far from Czernovitz in the Bukovinian province of Roumania lives an old hermit whose real name nobody knows, but who is called "Metro." At least 80 years old, he has led a solitary existence since 1910. It is said that he then met financial misfortune and decided to cut himself off from the world. He has built two primitive huts, one for winter and one for summer and he never strays more than a few hundred yards from them. He keeps a leaf fire burning always and is an ardent sun worshiper. His food consists chiefly of acorns and other nuts. Invariably he refuses to accept food or other gifts from visitors. His clothes are of the simplest and are tied together by cords. When he bathes he strips himself and lets the rain do the rest. He is held in great respect by the natives of the locality, but he dislikes and resents the presence of strangers.

WORLD'S BIGGEST DOG RACE WILL START IN FEBRUARY

BANFF, Alberta, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A world championship dog derby "to the top of the world and back," will be run for the first time in the history of dog mushing at the Banff winter carnival, February 5 to 11, it is announced today. The course, from Calgary to the great divide and back to Banff, will be the longest dog race ever staged, so far as records indicate and will exceed The Pas derby by 23 miles. The Stronghart trophy and $1,000 cash will go to the winners.

"NEWSBOY," AGED 94, LEFT $50,000 TO U. S. BUREAU.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Francis Gurks, 94-year-old "newsboy" and a picturesque character, who died Thursday, left an estate of nearly $50,000 to the United States bureau of education.

Clad in rags, with burlap wrapped about his feet in place of shoes, Gurks was o nhis corner in the downtown district every night crying his papers. He died without any known relatives.

3 BOYS AND NEGRO HELD IN DARING BANK ROBBERY.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Bonds totaling $60,000 were set for three Hutchinson boys and a negro, charged with holding up and robbing the Cheney State Bank at Cheney of $1,000 Thursday by Judge F. K. Hammers when they were arraigned here this afternoon. They pleaded not guilty.

NEGRO IN JAIL

Jim Gatewood, a negro, was in jail Saturday night with a formal charge of theft lodged against him as a result of the loss of a full set of harness, two horse collars, a saddle and some other smaller articles from a local wagon yard. All of the goods were recovered Saturday by the city police department when Gatewood was arrested. He is in the county jail.

MEXICAN BOY IS RUN OVER; DIES FROM LOSS OF BLOOD.

BEEVILLE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Alvina Sanchez, a seven-year-old Mexican was run over by a service car driver on the principal business street here Thursday evening and died shortly afterwards from loss of blood.

The Record News want ads are the quickest medium between buyer and seller. Use them for results.

Cops Promise a Noisy New Year's Eve Party Here Thursday Night

New Year's eve, traditionally an occassion for merriment, will mean all that and more too in Wichita Falls next Thursday night. For in addition to the private observations on the ringing out of the old and the ringing in of the new, the police department intends to make the affair something of a public benefaction by staging a big down-town street dance. All they want now is favorable weather.

The affair is being put on with police support and proceeds from it go to the police relief fund.

It will be high-pewered event, the cops promise, with plenty of fun for everybody. Of course, however, it will be orderly.

Two orchestras are to be provided for the dance, which will be held on Scott avenue between Eleventh and Twelfth streets. The one block will be corn meal, confetti, paper streamers and all the trimmings will be provided and the infant 1926 will be given a noisy baptism in this particular sector.

Ladies will be admitted free while gentlemen will be taxed one simoleon at the gate. The cops will have tickets for sale this week.

Disaster Threatens Washington When Too Many Men Invade The Capital For Social Functions

Not Enough Girls to Go Around, Is Order of the Day In a Perfervid Social Week Around The White House

By JEAN JARVIS.
Special Correspondent.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Never mind about congress and the world court, etc., because the debutantes had their innings this week. Never since the world began has there been such a beneficent dispensation as that accorded this year's girls at the capital. Men, my dears, long waiting queus of 'em—fine upstanding, good looking, eligible men, with a heart for any fate—arrived in swarms.

Contemporaneously with the advent of Santa Claus, the procession began to reach town. John Coolidge back from Amherst was in the Vanguard of a group including the Triangle club of Princeton; a Harvard club; squads of "middies" up from Annapolis, and literally dozens of "pointers," very military indeed in the snappy uniform of the military academy cadet. The Debs were in their glory for before the week waxed olden the men, please goodness, began to wear anxious expressions; everybody had to look sharp because, miraculous to relate, there were not girls enough to 'match up.'

Too Many Men.

Go where you would, as the week advanced there lined up were The Men. Nobody knew what to make of it all, and possibly the most puzzled individuals in the greatly-feted company were the men themselves. Such a difference it does make to be in the majority!

Carols at the White House with the first lady going the rounds all afternoon playing Santa Claus here and there, Christmas wreaths swinging from doorways, gates and windows; the bells of Christmas tide chiming out all over the city and limousines darting in and out through the thick of traffic, heavy laden with merry makers or heavy laden with merry makers or individuals dispensing last minute gifts, merged in a picturesque panorama on Christmas eve.

Right down the line the diplomats made merry after the various habits and customs of their native lands. Very generally the ambassadorial door was "on the latch" either on Christmas day or on Christmas eve.

Following old established custom the ambassador of Spain and Madame Riano had the embassy staff dining with them on Christmas eve. Christmas eve also brought all the French embassy set together as guests of the ambassador of France and Madame Daeschner. A very gay little tea dance on Thursday afternoon with the minister of Panama and Madame Alfaro as hosts had pretty Mlle. Juliet Orillac as honor guest.

In the diplomatic group also were throughout the city house guests are arriving and entertaining and being entertained has settled down as the really "serious" business of the moment.

An Heiress Weds.

Right in the thick of the holiday making comes the wedding of Helen Maryc, who surprised almost everybody by the announcement of her engagement to Lieut. William D. Thomas, U. S. N. (air service). A four o'clock afternoon service at St. Thomas' on Jan. 2, the wedding will be a grand affair as becomes the marriage of an only child of the multi-millionaire Marye household.

Nancy Hoyt, one of the cleverest girls in Washington and Louise Ireland, one of the crack polo players and Suzette Dewey one of the prettiest and most attractive of the debutantes of this season and Sara Moreland, a young kinswoman of the bride elect are included in a great, big wedding train. All sorts of parties are on the tapis for the bridal group and really everybody's glad indeed that "Helen Marye" is going to marry an American after all."

It will be remembered that Miss Marye "pretty nearly" married a very dashing young Italian nobleman, one of a populous group which danced attendance upon the young California heiress during a sojourn in Europe immediately preceding her debut.

But Thomas is aide to Admiral Thomas Pickett Magruder, in command of the Atlantic fleet and the men in the bridal party include a number from both branches of the service.

Everybody's chattering animatedly about the latest thing in evening frocks as affected by the first lady. Pearly white silk with gay little nosegays of reddish pink roses scattered over its shimmering surface, the costume showed rather more than a panier suggestion and the fairly full skirts had a beguiling little sash-train of the material trailing along at the side back. The sleeveless bodice was fairly fitted and the neckline was rather rounded "chic and becoming and most unusual was the outfit," so goes the tea table talk.

Clarendon's First Banker Dead at 71

AMARILLO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—William Henry Cooke, 71, pioneer settler and first banker of Clarendon, who died at Fort Worth last Thursday, will be buried in Clarendon Sunday. Funeral services will be held from his residence at Clarendon at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Cooke settled in Clarendon about 1885, having come to Texas from Tennessee. He built one of the first residence in Clarendon and organized and directed the Citizens Bank for many years. During the latter years Mr. Cooke has been the Panhandle representative for a printing company visiting practically every city in the Panhandle. During his travel he has become known and beloved by thousands who know him as "Uncle Bill."

He is survived by his widow, four sons and four daughters, all of whom live in Clarendon, except one daughter of El Paso.

J. A. HUTCHISON, FORMER BAIRD CITIZEN, BURIED.

ABILENE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Funeral services were held today for J. A. Hutchison, 59, formerly of Baird, who died at his home here Thursday. He came to Texas from Obione, Tenn., in 1907. He is survived by his widow and two children.

TEXAS PIONEER DEAD.

ABILENE, Dec. 26.—(AP)—William J. Noland, 71, groceryman, died here today and funeral services will be held Monday afternoon. He came to Texas in 1894 and has been engaged in grocery business during most of the time. He is survived by his widow, six children, 29 grand children and five great grand children.

13,000 FAIL TO GET NEW AUTO TAGS AT BEAUMONT.

BEAUMONT, Dec. 26.—(AP)—County tax collector Wesley Garrett today announced that less than 5,000 automobile owners had secured 1926 licenses. This leaves about 13,000 to be issued in the next four days.

FORD PLANTS CLOSED DOWN FOR INVENTORY

DETROIT, Dec. 26.—(AP)—All main production units of the Ford Motor company here are closed down for the annual inventory period. They will resume operations on January 4. About 100,000 men are affected.

COMMUNIST CONGRESS ENDS IN BIG DISORDER.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A preliminary session of the seventh congress of the communist party in Argentina broke up in disorder tonight. Numerous shots were exchanged.

American Given Job of Ridding Persia of Opium



Frederic A. Delano of Chicago, railroad executive, has been commissioned by the League of Nations to study the economic, financial and social phases of opium production in Persia, and recommend means of wiping out the dope evil in that country.

"Spirit of Investigation Tends To Broaden Minds of Men," Says Rabbi Phillips in Friday Sermon

He Gives Exhaustive Review of Christ's Crucifixion And Lays Charge at Door of Roman Emperor and Soldiers.

A special holiday sermon in which he went into considerable historical data was delivered Friday evening by Rabbi Samuel Phillips at Temple Israel. It was to a large extent a refutation of the crucifixion of Christ by the Jews, with which it dealt exhaustively. A large crowd heard the sermon, which was in full as follows:

During the month of December, the Jews and Christians celebrate their respective holidays. The Jews commemorate the victory of the Maccabees during the eight days of Chanukah, and the Christians celebrate the birth of the founder of their religion on the 25th of December.

The history of the past is studied now from a scientific point of view. Men are now more eager for truth than at any other time in the history of the world. The errors that have misled mankind for centuries are being corrected and a more careful picture of happenings in the far distant past is presented to us.

I shall approach, therefore, with unbiased mind and with the liberal spirit of inquiry in regard to this important subject: "Why have the Romans crucified Jesus? The spirit of investigation tends to dispel prejudice and broaden the views of men.

Have the Jews crucified Jesus? I might answer by the counter-query: Have the Jews ever crucified anybody? The belief that the Jews crucified Jesus was refuted by all great scholars, Jews and non-Jews alike. The Jews did not crucify Jesus. Crucifixion is totally unknown to Jewish law. The Hebrew language has not even a word that would convey the idea of crucifixion. Crucifixion was Roman in spirit and form.

Why Slay Him.

But apart from this. Why should the Jews have slain Jesus? Jesus was not anti-Jewish. He was a loyal son of Israel and a Jewish patriot. It is claimed by Christianity that in the eyes of the Rabbis of his generation, Jesus was a blasphemer, a crime that was punishable with death, were the death penalty common in Jewry, as it was not.

Jesus, it is said, proclaimed himself "son of God." But so did Israel's prophets before him speak, "Ye are children of the Lord your God." (Deut. 14:1). "Ye are children of the living God." (Hosea 11:1) and did not Malachi long before Jesus say: "Have we not all one Father?" (8:10) Besides according to Jewish law, no man was guilty of blasphemy until it was proved that he had cursed God by directly pronouncing the ineffable name of God (Tractate Sanhedrin 7:5). And the New Testament, the only available record about Jesus which we have, says not a word about such blasphemy.

Jesus did nothing which in the Jewish law was punishable. He taught nothing which other Jewish teachers before him did not teach. Certainly, he did nothing and taught nothing for which the death penalty could have been imposed. And, additionally, the Jews could not have imposed the death penalty upon an yone, for Rome never gave to any of its provinces the right to impose capital punishment, and so long as Judea was a Roman province and under Roman control, the Talmud tells us "nittlu dinne nephoshoth mi'yisroel," the power over life and death was taken from Israel.

Details Are Meager.

The details concerning the short span of the life of Jesus are extremely meagre, but by studying the various gospels some light on the subject will be thrown. Let us analyze the cause that brought about the crucifixion of Jesus. Jesus himself was a man of peace and, therefore, could not have believed himself to be the national Messiah of the Jews, whom the Jewish nation expected to come to redeem them from the heavy yoke of the Romans.

Another idea of the Messiah as a man of suffering and patient submission, the "servant of God," as depicted in Isaiah, the idealization of faithful Israel in exile, had no doubt began to develop at that time. Jesus felt himself a sufferer who endured hardships for the sake of others. His disciples believed in him and from them he learend to believe in himself that he was the chosen instrument to realize the great ends of the people's destiny. Under the sway of this idea he left his native place, Galilee, for Jerusalem during the Passover week, which was a pilgrimage festival, at a time when the Roman military was especially watchful of a possible insurrection. He trusted that God would not forsake him and he would become a second Daniel saved from the den of lions and that he would be unscathed by the brute's hungry teeth. But his trust, so tender and touching, was not armour proof against the sword of the Romans. They did not care for his convictions, inner struggles of his soul. In their eyes he was regarded as the Messiah and the king of the Jews. And so Rome, through her governor Pontius Pilate, punished Jesus in characteristic Roman fashion, by nailing him to a cross. As I stated before, crucifixion was the mode of the execution of Rome.

And be it remembered that Jesus was not the only Jew to be nailed to the cross. According to the great historian Josephus, the Roman Varus, before the birth of Jesus, crucified two thousand Jews at one time, and Titus some four decades later, crucified so many Jews that "room was wanting for the the crosses and crosses for the bodies." Pilate, typical Roman as he was, embittered the agony of his prisoner by jest, and scoffing at his pretended royal dignity, and put a crown of thorns over Jesus' head and nscribed the letters on the cross, the words, "Jesus, King of the Jews."

To the Romans, the would-be Messiah was dangerous. According to the gospels, the Jewish population of Jerusalem were shouting "Hosannah" on Sunday, the day of his triumphal entrance into the capital, and surely they could not have been those that on Friday following clamored for the blood of him, whom they had greeted so rapturously with fervent demonstration of affectionate enthusiasm.

The conduct of Pilate is another strange feature of the trial. He acts like a coward, and while pretending to save Jesus, does not even raise one hand to accomplish his professed purpose.

His consent was necessary to make the sentence legal and effective and it is strange that he had not given the Jews permission to carry one the verdict according to their law, but handed Jesus over to his cruel soldiers. The Jews certainly would have spared him agony of suffering on the cross. They would not have added insult to injury by inscribing on the cross the ironical inscription, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews."

Josephus tells us that when the brother of Jesus, Jacob, was stoned to death in consequence of intrigue by the son of Annanus, the priest, the hireling of Rome, the people of Jerusalem protested most emphatically against this outrage, and as a result of this, Aunanus was deposed from the high priesthood. A people who had so much consideration and pity for the brother of Jesus would certainly not have insisted upon the cruel execution of the other brother.

Romans Responsible.

We must conclude, therefore, from every point of view we study this subject, that the Romans and not the Jews were responsible for the death of Jesus. These, my dear friends, are some of the facts in the case. But despite these historic facts, despite even the reputed dying words of Jesus while on the cross, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do," referring to the jeering crowds of the Roman soldiery attendant upon the crucifixion, despite the injunction to love our neighbors, despite the golden rule, "Do unto others as thou wouldst others do unto you," despite all these—the world which professes to follow the teachings of Jesus, the world which deifies Him and accepts him as the incarnation of the Ideal, the followers and worshippers of the meek and simple Palestinian Jew, have crucified his brethren in the flesh and in the spirit upon a million crosses throughout the history of Christianity, until even as when in the days of Titus there were not in Palestine room sufficient for the crosses and the crosses abundant for the bodies, so today there is not a country in Christendom, the soil of which is not drenched with the blood of our people, not a land where, in the name of Jesus, "the lover of his people," his people is not hated, maligned, abused, persecuted and oppressed.

Consider the story of the Jew in Christendom since the year 315 when King Constantine issued his first anti-Jewish decress. Through the dark and dreary ages, it is an unbroken tale of persecution, of denial of elementary human rights, of degredation, of abuse, of attempt after attempt to crush the Jew in body and in spirit, outlawed here, massacred there, burned at stake everywhere. Through the many decrees issued against the Jew by Church Council after Church Council; through the Crusades recorded in Jewish history in letters of blood and fire; through repeated ritual murder charges continuing into our own days; through enforced baptisms, and the Talmud burning, and the prayer-book bonfires, and the Jew-badges; through the banishments and exile from land after land, from England in 1290; from France in 1306, recalled in 1315, exiled again in 1321, and recalled again in 1360, to be exiled again in 1394; from Spain in 1492, from Portugal in 1497; from Germany and Austria and Poland; through the charge that the Jew was responsible for the Black Death; through the countless slaughters caused by the charge that the Jew desecrated tre Host; through the unspeakable bloody inquisition; through the incarceration in Ghetto walls; through the Cossack persecutions in Poland under Chmielnizki in 1648—it is massacre after massacre, massacre at all times, down to our own day—in Russia, in Roumania, in Germany, in Austria, in Hungary—the story of the Jew is a tale writ with blood and tears.

To the Christian, I say that he needs his Saviour now more than ever. Christendom knows not Jesus, when they spread intolerance, hatred and prejudice. Christendom should begin to follow his teachings not only in creed but in deed. His principles should appear in the lives of his devotees, and that they should truly practice peace and good-will on earth.

The Jew driven from his home to carry on into a larger world the knowledge of the one God dwelling in the heart of every man; wherever he came, he was charged that he had nailed to the cross one of the sons of his race. A better day, thank God, is dawning now on mankind. The day will come when the whole of Christendom will ask forgiveness from the Jew for their sins, and the Jew will then say in the words of Jesus, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they were doing." But until the last mists will have cleared away, every Jew will and must protest that not his fathers have slain Jesus, but for his death none other must be held accountable than Pilate the typical Roman, who was Roman cruelty incarnate and Roman selfishness triumphant.

"The Jews did not crucify Jesus," says John Vickers in his book, "The Crucifixion Mystery," "for Jesus himself adhered faithfully to the Law, and was less than an innovator in respect to doctrine than his learned contemporary Philo; the fact that he was not a rigid formalist would cause no more offence than was already given by the disciples of Hillel in disputing with the disciples of Shammai."

"The Jews, as a nation, were far less guilty of the death of Jesus than the Greeks as a nation, were guilty of the death of Socrates; but who now would think of avenging the blood of Socrates the Greek upon his countrymen, the present Greek race? Yet these nineteen hundred years past the world has gone on avenging the blood of Jesus the Jew upon his countrymen ,the Jews, who have already paid the penalty, and still go on paying the penalty, in rivers and torrents of blood." This paragraph is the closing paragraph of J. Klausner in the chapter on "The Trial."

It was against his disciples that the complaint was made that they did not strictly observe the Sabbath and despised the washing of the hands: he himself appears to have been observant in these matters. When he sends out his disciples to preach the coming of the Messiah and the near approach of the kingdom of heaven, he tells them: "Go not to the homes of the Gentiles, neither enter into the city of the Samaritans, but go unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matt. 10:5-6.)

Once only does he heal a non-Jew, the daughter of the Cannanitish woman (Mark 724-:30) but to the Cannanitish woman he uses such harsh words, which even the most chauvinistic Jew would not dare to make (Matt. 15:24: "It is wrong to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs," adding, according to Matthew, words which he dadressed elsewhere to the Apostles: "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." "As a Gentil and as a publican," is with him the strongest term of contempt (Matt. 18:17) and he speakes of the Gentiles as not praying but as using "vain repetitions" (babblings) (Matt. 6:7). So "chuvinistic" was Jesus the Jew!

So far was Jesus from teaching the dogma which later arose—that he was the Son of God and one of the three persons in the God-head—that when someone hailed him as "Good master" Jesus replied, "Why callest thou me good?" There is none good save one: God." (Mark 10:18; Luke 17:19). Matthew alone perceived the contradiction between this and the Christian doctrine of his own time: He changed the question and answer to: "Master, what good thing shall I do?....and he said unto him, why askest thou me concerning what is good? There is none good save one: God." The end of the answer does not here correspond with the beginning.

One of the Scribes asked Jesus: "What is the first of all the commandments?" and Jesus replies, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one, and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul....this is the first commandment, and the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is no commandment greater than these." Thus Jesus virtually gives the same answer as Hillel and Rabbi Akiba to a simalr question. The Scribe replied to Jesus: "Of a truth, master, thou sayeth well, for God is one and there is none else save he; and to love him with all the heart and with all the soul....and to love thy neighbor as thyself is greater than all the burnt offerings and the sacrifices. Whereupon Jesus said to him to the Scribe—whom the Gospels treat together with the Pharisee, as the very symbol of hypocrucy—"Thou art not far from the kingdom of heaven." (Mark 12:18-34.

But the positive attitude of Jesus toward Judaism, both prophetic and Pharisaic, is made clear in the famous passage from the so-called sermon on the Mount (which is really a collection of isolated sayings which are, in Mark and Luke, distributed throughout the entire Gospel, but in Matthew are artificially collected into a single discourse: "Think not that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I came not to destroy but to fulfill, for I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass away one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass away from the law till all things be accomplished. Whosoever therefore shall break one of the least commandments and shall teach men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whosoever shall do and teach them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 5:17-19.

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WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1925.

Peggy Piedmont

Dear Kitty:

LIKE a lull before a storm has been this week. For while numerous aff irs, including teas, dances and weddings are planned for next week, outside of preparations for the arrival of students returning home from school, for the arrival of good old Saint Nick and for that of guests, there has been very little doing socially.

And here they came by the dozens, bright-eyed, rosy cheeked, full of pep and happy anticipation for the gay holiday visit home, our college girls and boys. They arrived on every train from Tennessee, from Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Norman, Okla., and Austin and strange to say, Kitty, folks you never hear from year in and year out, when you meet them on the streets this time o' the year be m at you; or when they ring you on the phone, you catch the glad inflection in their voice as they say, "My girl is here, or did you know my boy is home for the holidays? And one mother who will gather all her little brood around her with the arrival of her son from California went so far as to say, "Christmas this year is a little piece of Heaven dropped down to earth."

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But O, me, O, my! Did you ever hear of so many parties—for next week? There are really so many and of such variety that one's head actually swims and you wonder if there's any kind of affair listed in the social calendar that is not being planned for our boys and girls for the next two weeks.

But speaking of good fellowship and the holiday spirit reminds me that the churches have been the scene of much activity all the past week, where programs and pageants and Christmas parties were almost nightly affairs.

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Did you ever think I could write you a letter without mentioning a bride? As if I could when we have so lovely a one right now in our midst and one who will be the center of much entertainment this week. It is no other than charming little Mrs. Curtis Covington, a former popular member of the school set, who has arrived home from her wedding trip and set up housekeeping. Among the affairs for her will be one at the Country club which will be in the nature of a shower, with Donna Mitcham and Dorothy Nolen hostesses. I hear of several others being planned but nothing exactly definite yet.

A home-coming which is being looked forward to with much enthusiasm is that of Mrs. Al Booth and her children from Chicago who will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kemp and her sisters, Mrs. W. S. Langford and Mrs. Newton Maer, besides numerous other relatives. One delightful affair planned for her is a dance at the Country club Saturday evening, January 2, when Mrs. Langford will be hostess.

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On Friday afternoon (New Year's day) Mrs. Horace Robbins will be hostess at tea at the Country club and on Thursday night, December 31, Catherine Weeks will entertain the sub-deb crowd with a dance at the club.

That crowd is certainly enjoying the life anyway right now, and dancing seems to be the favorite diversion. Rose Marion Art will give a dance on Wednesday night and preceding her affair, a dinner-dance will be given by members of the Country club. In fact the entire week seems to be filled with dances.

An affair of this week which proved unusually delightful was the Christmas party and dinner given at the Country club Saturday evening by Mrs. C. U. Daniels, honoring her holiday guests.

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Dancing has also been a favorite pastime at the Municipal club, where on Tuesday night, the high school crowd turned out in large force for one of the most enjoyable student affairs of the season, and following that on Wednesday night, the club members gave their annual Christmas dance when punch was served.

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But leaving the frivolities of life for a few minutes, Kitty, I will tell you something about a little girl prodigy in our midst. It remained for a fellow scribe, Pauline Mears Naylor formerly of this city, and still a Wichita Falls' daughter, now sojourning in Fort Worth, however, to discover her. One the "Books & Bookmen—Readers' Forum" page of a recent edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Mrs. Naylor carries the following article: "Friends of Winnifred Mercer, eleven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mercer of Wichita Falls, will receive in their Christmas remembrances this year a collection of verses the child has written during the past two years. Which is by way of formal announcement that here close at home is a volume of 10-year-old girl poetry, for Winnifred's eleventh birthday is just past, and the verses in this volume were written when she was 9 and 10.

There is always a sense of delight experienced by an older person in viewing original volumes though of children, and this is perhaps the keenest sensation of this particular instance. As a personal friend of Winnifred, and her family, this reader appreciates these verses, not as promises of a precocious child, but as promises of future achievements. Her development will be quite natural, it is safe to say, and her pen will mirror this naturalness always. It is hoped.

Winnifred reads, avidly, even omnivorously, and this reading is reflected generally. History and mythology have yielded richly to her.

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She also lives, and has put the recurrences of her school and family life into verse. Sometimes Winnifred's rhyme and meter get rather tangled, but there is nothing studied in the effect, so that the confusions are all the more charming. The best part of all of it is that here is concrete evidence that she thinks, and has the courage to set down the results."

The young poetess is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mercer in Fort Worth.

It was a little too early last week to wish you a merry Chirstmas, Kitty, and now it is a little too late, but all the same I wish you a happy and prosperous New Year.

PEGGY PIEDMONT.

Mrs. Raymond Gives Christmas Program

The prettily decorated parlors of the Y. W. C. A. was the scene of an attractive Christmas entertainment given on Friday evening to pupils of Mrs. George B. Raymond when a musical program was given, also a visit paid by Santa Claus.

Following the program, gifts were distributed to 40 pupils, and favors of various kinds of sweets, to the parents and the children in the large audience. D. A. Cameron acted as Santa, and the pupils taking part included Azalee Holcomb, Helen Black, Frank Schofield, Edna Marie Thweatt, Elizabeth Kinard, Marjorie Ketner, Inez Holcomb, Jessie Arbuckle, Ona V. Young, Omie Royal, Yvonne Jeter, David Black, Edna White, Jeanne Beddow, Pansy Cameron, and Mrs. Olan White.

Mrs. Raymond will present a group of her pupils in a "Music Memory Contest" program at the Junior high school in January, and in March she will present her advanced pupils in recital when MacDowell's compositions will be featured.

Weldon-Deems Wedding Announced

Friends of Edwin Weldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Weldon, and of Miss Oneita Deems, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Deems, will be surprised to hear of the wedding of the popular young couple which took place Christmas day morning at 9:30 o'clock.

The ceremony was read by Dr. N. F. Grafton in his study in the presence of a few intimate friends.

Following a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon will be at home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker Hosts At Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Baker, 1305 Giddings street entertained at dinner honoring their out of town guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Bransford and son, Phillip of Fort Worth. Other guests included Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Baker of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Dent of Cisco are guests during the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Arch W. McBride and Mr. and Mrs. Harry O. Cravens.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tate are visiting their parents at Weatherford during the holadys.

Mrs. Frank Ramsey will leave Tuesday for Whitesboro where she will spend a few days and attend a meeting of the Rebekah lodge.

David Alfred, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Katz, is reported seriously ill with diptheria at their home on Broad street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dodd and small daughter, Virginia Elizabeth, of Abilene, are guests of Mr. Dodd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Turner at 504 Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Goodwyn of Colfax, La. and son Merrill, and daughter, Ruth, are guests of Mrs. Goodwyn's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Cain.

Mrs. Carl Burch and Miss Helen Fair of Dallas, are guests of Mrs. O. E. Borwn.

Miss Minnie Bell Sowell of Healdton, Okla., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sowell.

Miss Madeline Wilson left Saturday for a week's visit with relatives and friends at Dallas, McKinny and Celina.

Mrs. J. Lewis Jackson has returned from Dallas where she spent a few days the guest of her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Morris of Pilot Point, are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bright at 2008 Berkley Drive.

Mrs. George W. Harris and daughter Miss Frances and Mr. and Mrs Nathan B. Reynolds of Snyder, Texas and John Reynolds of Fort Worth, will arrive Monday to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mayfield for a few days.

Mrs. Leslie Huffines has for her holiday guests, her mother, Mrs. H. C. Duval, and niece, Miss Latrece Duval and nephew, Briggs Duval, all of Cleburn, Texas.

Mrs. Louise Salm of Evansville, Ill will arrive Wednesday for a 10-day visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Bransford and son, Phillip, of Fort Worth, spent the past week with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Flint will leave today for their home in Decatur, Ill., after having spent the last six weeks with their daughter, Mrs. Milton Johnson, 2408 Eighth street.

Henry S. Brady of Kansas City arrived unexpectedly Christmas day and ate Christmas dinner with Mrs. Brady who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McCurdy. Mr. and Mrs. Brady will return home Monday.

A Holiday Bride



One of Wichita Falls' attractive young business women will become the bride of J. D. White Wednesday. Both Mrs. Harwick and Mr. White are well known here where they have been employed at the court house for several years. The bride-elect has been one of the staff in the office of the county clerk until her resignation recently, while Mr White is office deputy in the sheriff's office.

Both young people have furnished inspiration for several delightful social affairs since the announcement of the engagment and approaching nuptials.

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LUTHERAN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH (MO. SYNOD.)
Eleventh and Holliday.
Rev. C. M. Beyer, Pastor.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning service, 11 a. m. in the German language, sermon by Mr. H. H Hellbusch.
No Bible class for Sunday night.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Tenth and Travis.
Rev. Milo Atkinson, Pastor.

Church Bible school, 9:30. Morning worship and communion 10:45. Sermon by Pastor. Evening worship, 7:30 Sermon by Pastor. Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavors will mee at 6:30.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.
Episcopal

Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. Church school, 9:20 a. m. Holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; special Christmas music for the hymns, anthems and Christmas sermon. Vespers, 5 p. m. The rector will review O. Henry's "The Gift of the Magi."

FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
Rev. Erickson, Pastor.

Labor Temple, 8 p. m., Sunday evening, lecture and message. Subject "The Purpose for 1923."
Wednesday evening messages and scripture reading, 8 p. m.
Wednesday 2 p. m. message circle.
Ladies' Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Dennison, 810 Sixth St

LAMAR AVE. BAPTIST CHURCH
Fourth and Lamar.
Rev. A. J. Holt, Pastor.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., led by Jewell Cunningham.
Morning service, 11 a. m., "The Great Commission," farewell service by the pastor.
Evening service, 7:30 p. m., "What Will You Do With Jesus"
Sunbeams, 3:p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6:15 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Masses: 7, 8 and 10 a. m. Sunday school 3 and 7:30 p. m. Benediction 7:30 p. m. The senior choir will sing at the 8 o'clock mass and the juniors at the 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
New Year's day services at 6, 7 and 9 a. m., and benediction at 7:30 p. m. The public is always welcome at all services in our church. Lawrence Hoyt, O. S. B., Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Ninth and Burnett.
Rev. O. L. Fowers, Pastor.

Bible school, 9:45 a. m., C. P. Mosley, superintendent. Morning service 11, subject, "The Indwelling Christ." Evening service, 7:30, subject, "The Glory of Christ." Special music at each service, including organ numbers by Mrs. F. R. Collard.

SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST
2208 Holliday St.

Sunday school 9:45, W. C. Perkins superintendent. Classes for everybody. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunbeams at 3 p. m., and B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Let us come out to God's house for worship and inspiration before making our New Year's resolutions. Everybody welcome to our services. A. C. Turner, pastor.

WALNUT STREET BAPTIST
E. M. Yeakley, Pastor.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. The pastor will make a number of attendance gifts at this time. Morning sermon subject, "The New Year and Its Possibilities." Evening subject, "Some Bible Definitions of Sin." Sunbeams, 1:30 p. m., Mrs. S. L. Bradshaw, leader. Junior Union, 4 p. m. Senior Union 6 p. m. Women's meeting Monday at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

FIRST M. E. ACTIVITIES.

Activities for the First Methodist church, south, for the week are listed below:

Monday—7:30 p. m. Hi-Y club.
Wednesday—6:15 Worker's Council of the Sunday school. Prayer service omitted, as will have a watch night. Service Thursday night instead.
Thursday—7:30 p. m. choir rehearsal.
11 to 12 p. m. watch night service in Main auditorium.
Friday—Boy Scouts meet.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST
Tenth and Austin Streets.
L. S. White, Minister.

Bible school at 9:45 a. m., R. H Ranowsky, superintendent. Congregational song service at 11 a. m. Preaching and communion at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The evening sermon will be a continuation of the discussion of the fourth chapter of Revelations concerning the "Four Beasts." The Women's Bible class will meet at the church Tuesday afternoon at three. Midweek prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

FLORAL HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH.
Rev. S. A. Barnes, Pastor.

Order of worship at the morning service beginning at 11 o'clock:

Prelude, "Allegro Giubilante"—Federlein.
Invocation Sentence: "The Lord is in His Holy Temple." "Let all the Earth keep Silence Before Him"—Choir.
Hymn 111, "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing."
The Apostles' creed.
Prayer
Anthem: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"—Ashford.
Psalm—Choir.
Responsive.
Gloria Patri.
New Testament scripture reading.
Offertory: "Barcarolle" — Shelley Hofmann.
Solo: "The Brithday of a King"—Neidlinger. —Mrs. Luella B. Thompson.
Sermon: "The Spirit of Christmas"
Invitation Hymn 116. "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"—Wesley
(Let all those who desire to unite with our church come forward during the singing of this hymn)
Benediction.
Postlude: "Processional March" — Scotson Clark.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH.
Tenth and Lamar.
Dr. Walter J. Johnson Pastor.

9:30 a. m. Sunday school, W. B Hamilton superintendent, E. F. Bohmfalk educational director.
Kay Bible class for men meets at the Strand theater. Strangers and traveling men especially invited.
11 a. m. sermon "A New Year's Resolution"—Dr. Johnson.
3 p. m. Junior league; 6:15 p. m. Ansil Lynn league.
6:30 p. m. Junior high league, program arranged by Miss Eunice Jenkins.
7:30 p. m. service in honor of college students, Dr. J. W. Cantwell superintendent of schools, will deliver the main address. The following students will also speak briefly, each representing his or her college:
Dorothy Reed and Evan P. Harris, Wichita Falls Junior college; Ruth Harrison, Texas Woman's college; Frank C. Carter, University of Texas; Adnah Orine Barnes, Southern Methodist university; Edna Rundell, College of Industrial Arts; Elizabeth Carrigan, Ward-Belmont; Elizabeth Couper, Lindenwood; Helen Snider, University of Oklahoma; Ardel Stone, Texas A. and M.; Ruth Moore, Hockaday school; Marjorie Woolsey, Northwestern university; Roy J. Daniel, Cumberland Law school; Almer Petty, Kemper Military academy; Glenore Fisk, University of Chicago; Morell McGregor, Texas Technological school; Cora Lee Johnson, Kidd-Key college.
Special music in line with the observance of college night has been prepared and is as follows:
Organ prelude, "Calm as the Night" (Bohm).
Congregational singing, led by Joel H. MacGregor.
Quartet from the Junior college "Arise, Shine for Thy Light is Come" Messrs. Paul Karns, Yancy Cummings, Shumake Babe, Evan Harris; accompanist, Lee Erwin.
Offertory, "Elizabeth's Prayer." (Tannhauser).
Contralto solo, selected, Miss Mildred Martin (Southern Methodist university.)
Organ postlude, "Allegro Pomposo" (Galbraith).

Floral M. E. To Present Musical

The evening service, 7:45 o'clock of the Floral Heights Methodist church will be in the form of a musicale with the following program:

Carols, choir.
Hymn 125, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," from the Latin. Tr. by Caswall, choir and congregation.
Invocation.
Organ "March of Magi" (From Star of Bethlehem), Flaxington Harker. Mrs. O. E. Nicholls.
Anthem: "Christmas Cradle Song," (George Schumann,) Mrs. Geo. Thorburn and choir.
Reading: "The Gift of the Magi" (O. Henry), Mrs. E. L. Fulton.
"Meditation" for violin, with piano and organ (Mietzke), Mrs. O. E. Nicholls, Mrs. O. B Kiel and Mrs. J. V. C. T. Christensen.
Offertory organ solo: "Theme Vale" (William Faulkes), Mrs. J. V. C. T. Christensen.
Solo: "In Old Judea" (Adam Geibel), R. E. Shepherd.
"Greetings" from the pastor, Rev. S. H. Barnes.
Anthem: "A Joyous Christmas Song" (Gernert), choir.
Hymn 107, "Joy to the World" (Isaac Watts), choir and congregation.
Benediction.
Organ postlude: "March" (Ashford), Mrs. O. E. Nicholls.
Soprano—Mrs. George Thorburn, Mrs. Treda Conner, Mrs. L. A. Braby, Mrs. J. M. Alexander, Miss Mary Tapered, Miss Hazel Champion, Miss Virginia Creath, Miss Tilla Mae Schafer.
Alto—Mrs. O. F. Coleman, Mrs. Leo. C. Fay, Mrs. B. M. Bullard, Mrs. O. M. Reeves, Miss Margaret Morgan, Miss Juanita Winblood, Miss Minnie Baker.
Tenor—J. M. Alexander, S. M. Gose Jr. Pierce G. Evans.
Bass—R. B. Ross, Cecil Porter, C. A. Haworth, W. C. Campbell, J. E. Park, John Hall.
Director, Mrs. Luella B. Thompson
Organist, Mrs. O. E. Nichells.
Soloists—Mrs. E. L. Fulton, reader. Mayor R. E. Shepherd, tenor. Mrs. O. E. Nicholls, violin. Mrs. J. V. C. C. Christensen, organ. Mrs. O. B. Kiel, piano.

New Year's Service At St. Paul's Church

New Year's services will be held at the St. Paul's Lutheran church Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the German language, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. C. M. Beyer. Services in the English language will be held at 7:30 o'clock New Year's eve.

On Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, Rev. E. C. Baker, traveling missionary among the deaf mutes of the church, will preach to the deaf of the city at the Lutheran church.

The elders of the church will meet at 2:30 o'clock New Year's afternoon.

p. m. Meetings of devotion for young people.

Weeks activities: Special notice New Year's party and worship Thursday night, Dec. 31, 1925. The games and sociable will be in charge of Emmit Remington. Serving of the refreshments in charge of Mrs. Richey, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Andree and Mrs. Bentley. Looking Both Ways," impromptu speeches by different ones present. The pastor's message and devotional. The subject will be, "How to Turn Over a New Leaf." This program will carry right up to midnight at which time the company will welcome the advent of the New Year. Young and old are invited.

Change chorus choir rehearsal from Thursday night to Friday night, 7:30 p. m.

The Wednesday night devotional service will be transferred to Thursday.

COLLEGE NIGHT AT FIRST M. E.

Unique Program Arranged For Sunday Night Service

A very attractive and interesting program has been arranged Sunday night for all of the college students who are home for the Christmas holidays from the various schools, as well as for those students who are of the local Junior college. The students from the several colleges represented will be seated in groups with their colors having a prominent place. The ex-students of these schools as well as from others not mentioned below are also asked to sit with the other students present. The principal address will be delivered by Dr. J. W. Cantwell, superintendent of the schools and two-minute speeches will be delivered by the following students:

Dorothy Reed, Evan P. Harris, Wichita Falls Junior college; Ruth Harrison, Texas Woman's college; Frank C. Carter, University of Texas; Adnah Orine Barnes, Southern Methodist university; Edna Rundell, College of Industrial Arts; Elizabeth Carrigan, Ward-Belmont; Elizabeth Couper, Lindenwood; Helen Snider, University of Oklahoma; Ardel Stone, Texas A. and M.; Ruth Moore, Hockaday school; Marjorie Woolsey, Northwestern university; Roy J. Daniel, Cumberland Law school; Almer Petty, Kemper Military academy; Glenore Fisk, University of Chicago; Morell McGregor, Texas Technological school; Cora Lee Johnson, Kidd-Key college.

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Contralto solo, selected, Miss Mildred Martin (Southern Methodist university.)
Organ postlude, "Allegro Pomposo" (Galbraith).

Christ Deserves Real Welcome At Christmas Time, Hoyt Declares

The following is the Christmas sermon given at high mass Friday morning at 10 o'clock at the Sacred Heart church by the pastor, Rev. Father Lawrence Hoyt, O. S. B.:

"He came into His own and His own received Him not." John 1, 11.

There is a word dear to our heart, but dearer on Christmas day, dear friends, than at any other time. Yes, we all agree with the old saying, "There is no place like home." Home! what a charm, what a fascination clings to the word. It does not matter whether it be a mansion or cottage or an old tumbled down shack, so long as it is home, Childhood's affections nestle round our home, and those affections remain ever dear to us no matter what the number of our days. And Christmas is the time of all other times when our memory and thoughts gather round our home. On Christmas we all go home, whether in reality or in spirit, and linger 'mongst those cherished memories. And midst all our pleasures and comforts we cherish a thought—a loving thought for those dear ones, far away, whether distance or death separates us. We remember them all on Christmas day, and we miss their fond voices and their tender caresses and their loving smiles; and we notice the vacant chair or the cherished lock of hair. Perchance, when passing by the church yard, the last resting place of dear ones, either in fancy or fact, in going to Christmas mass, we pause and linger at a certain grave mound, and pay a silent tribute of a heartfelt prayer to one that is gone but not forgotten.

The Same Years Ago

Just as it is today so was it 1900 years ago; there were gatherings of friends who spent the Christmas time in their homes. Yes, it was a busy and a festive time at Bethlehem, the little city of David, so many years ago. All the folks and friends of the place were gathered together for the taking of the census. By order of the Roman emperor, the people had to be counted, each one in his native place, the old home-stead of the family. So that all the people, rich and poor, had come from all parts, far and near, to be enrolled each in his own city. Each house was full and the inns were crowded with people.

And there were two poor travelers, you know them well, who had journeyed on the rough roads, in the wintertime, all the way from Nazareth. Bethlehem was their native city, but they had no home; no welcome was awaiting them. All the doors were closed to them and even the inn had no room for them. No shelter anywhere, so that Joseph and Mary finally took refuge in an old cave, which in rough weather was used by the shepherds as a stable. Here our Savior was born. "And she brought forth her firstborn Son, wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2.7.

The very One who provides room for all of us finds no room when He comes to redeem us, "He came into His own and His own received Him not." John 1, 11.

Still Seeks a Home

Let us stop to reflect, dear brethren, that now as there in Bethlehem, Jesus Christ our Lord is still seeking a home. Many in this busy Christmas time, amid pleasures and cares fail to recognize Him, just as the Bethlemites of old. "Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethern, you did it to me," Matt. 25, 40. How many fail to recognize Jesus in the poor, the strangers and the tramps, closing the doors on them, leaving them out in the cold frosty night, without shelter or food.

But now leaving the material world, let us turn to the spiritual. This is Christmas day and it is Christmas day because on this day Christ came into this world to redeem it, to shed His blood for us and to leave a memorial of that blood and death in the holy sacrifice of the mass. The very name Christ-Mass reminds us of this, and yet how many, how very many, today when they celebrate Christmas never give this fact a thought, and never even think of Christ and much less of His Mass. They never invite Jesus to come to spend Christmas with them and likewise neglect to come to Jesus at the Mass.

Christ is not satisfied with having been born once in this world, but He desires to stay with us all the time to the end of the world. He has made this possible through the institution of the Holy Eucharist and wants to be reborn in us, in our hearts and souls, especially on Christmas day, in actual reality, in Holy Communion, but also spiritually by being born in our souls in grace.

Some Forget

So much for the world at large, but not, please God, as regards ourselves. Yet even among Catholics there are men who forget Christ at Christmas time. Who is He whom they keep standing outside their hearts? Is it a beggar? Yes, a beggar, indeed! "He came into the world and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not." Everything we have belongs to Him. He gave it all, our home, our health, our life, our happiness, our friends, our children, our very existence, is it not all from Him? Has He, then not a right to our love and affections and our heart itself? Why then should He stand outside and beg? He will not force us, but begs us to give Him a home.

Behold, dear brethren, Jesus our God deserves a welcome, and asks for it. He seeks a home and we have one to offer—our heart. Friends, do not let this holy season pass without asking Jesus to come and make your heart His own. And that He may do so, banish from that heart whatever might displease Him. Cleanse it in the sacrament of penance and beautify it with faith, love and good works, and Jesus will be your happy guest on earth and you will be His in the Kingdom of Glory. Amen.

Handcraft Meeting Postponed For Week

On account of other activities on Monday evening, the Campfire Girls Handcraft class will not be held this week, it is announced.

On Tuesday evening, the guardians association will hold a Christmas ceremonial at the home of Miss Mary McIlheran, 2015 Wilson street, when Miss Glenore Fisk, former Campfire executive of this city, who is home for the holidays, will be a guest.

Dinner-Dance At Country Club

An event of the week being looked forward to by members of the Country club and their guests is the dinner-dance to be given at the club on Wednesday evening. The Sooners from the University of Oklahoma will furnish the music and reservations must be made with the manager of the club Mr. Coats, not later than Tuesday at noon, according to the announcement.

Prominent Young People Are Wed

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ferguson announce the marriage of their daughter, Adeline Penny, to D. Wallace Bright, the ceremony being read Sunday, December 20 by Dr. N. F. Grafton, at his home. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bright, and is connected with the pipeline department of the Texhoma Oil company. Both young people are well known here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bright are at home to their friends at 1504 Hays street.

Mrs. E. L. Hayes Hurt In Wreck

Mrs. E. L. Hayes, 1207 Travis street, was severely cut and bruised Christmas morning when the automobile in which she and her family were riding turned over near Clarksville. With Mr. Hayes and her two children, Mrs. Hayes was en route to Clarksville to spend Christmas with relatives.

For some reason the machine left the road and tipped over in a ditch, throwing the occupants out. Mrs. Hayes was the most seriously injured, although the others sustained minor cuts and bruises.

LURE OF RIVIERA MAY BREAK OLD TRADITION.

LONDON, Dec. 26.— The lure of winter sports in Switzerland and the desire to bask in the sun of the Riviera is threatening the traditional English love of spending Christmas at home. Paris is also attracting many Londoners, and the cross channel aviation companies have inaugurated holiday excursion rates and put on extra airplanes to handle the traffic which began with a rush a fortnight before Christmas day.

More English people are going abroad this year for the holiday season than ever, and the popular Swiss winter sports centers have all been full for weeks. St. Murran, St. Moritz and Grindlewald many of the rooms were reserved even during the summer. Along the Riviera it is estimated there will be several thousand from the British Isles, among them the Duke of Connaught.

Shakespeare Back On English Stage

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Ibsen, Chekov and Shakespeare are claiming an increased amount of attention on the English stage this winter. Three of Ibsen's plays were recently running at once in London alone and Chekov's "Seagull" and "The Cherry Orchard" have enjoyed good runs in suburban theatres, as well as in the heart of the city.

Moderen triangle plays and revues have been monopolizing most of the theatres in London so long that many theatre goers are evidently longing for a variety of diet, with the result that Lena Ashwell's players in various Ibsen plays and the Old Vic standbys in Shakespeare and Chekov's plays are attracting more attention.

Russians find the English productions of Chekov very unsatisfying and many English critics are unenthusiastic about them. One critic recently commented on the "Seagull" as a "gesture of futility." Russians insist Anglo-Saxon actors are unable to interpret Chekov so that audiences understand his subtle suggestions. But there is a general disposition now in western Europe to discount the claim of Russians to a special sort of soul. Englishmen, in particular, are beginning to estimate Russian art according to their own standards and to discount the Russian striving to exalt everything Russian.

ENGLISH REBEL WHEN QUEEN TURNS GLUM.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Good Queen Bess has always been pictured as merry and bright—and redheaded—in English song and story.

So when Gwen John made the bachelor-maid queen into a melancholy old maid in her new play "Gloriana," the public did not like it. It is all right for Hamlet to be melancholy; he was a Dane. But that won't do for the snappy daughter of Henry VIII.

The Elizabethan age, as twentieth century England conceives it, was joyous and roystering. It was no time for sad soliloquy and mournful introspection; it was all action and go.

Miss John's new play, which Zangwill produced, makes Elizabeth a very solemn figure moving through many historical scenes. The critics say it is too historical and not human enough. The public would like to see more of Elizabeth the woman and less of Elizabeth the monarch, involved in weighty affairs of state with ponderous old men of history.

NEW DANCE COSTUME IS DEMANDED BY THE TANGO.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The popularity of the tango in London has brought into vogue a new dancing costume for women, which is something like silk plus fours. These are replacing the former sheathlike dance frock.

The long steps of the tango demand a freedom from the restriction of the narrow skirt, and have brought in the "plus four" gown. When the wearer stands still the effect is merely that of a full skirted frock, but immediately she begins gliding over the floor the divide effect is plainly seen.

Bible Class to Be Formed at First Christian Church

A men's Bible class will be organized Sunday morning at 9:30 at the Highland Heights Christian church, just across the street in front of the Junior college. Wm. Baldridge, who was teacher of the men's Bible class at the First Christian church for several years, has agreed to accept the place as teacher of the new class. A most cordial welcome awaits every man, who would like to be in a real live men's Bible class, and especially those not connected with a Bible class. Any man from 19 to 99 years of age is eligible for membership. Remember the place and the hour. There will be someone at the door to greet you.

Special Music At First Methodist

Music for the services at the First Methodist church, south, today is announced as follows:

Morning—Organ prelude, "Prelude," (Ashford); male quartet, "The Beautiful Land." (Jones), Messrs. Hansen, MacGregor, Bohmfalk, and Gray, Offertory, Organ, "Memories," (Demarest); duet, (selected—Misses Josephine and Glenore Fisk. Organ postlude, "We go to Serve."

Evening—organ prelude, "Calm as the Night," (Bohm); Congregational singing led by Joel H. MacGregor, assisted by chorus choir and church orchestra, F. F. Bohmfalk, leader. Male quartet from Junior college, "Arise, Shine for Thy Light is Come;" Messrs. Paul Karns, Yancy Cummings, Shumake Babe and Evan Harris.

Offertory, "Elizabeth's Prayer," (Tannhauser), contralto solo, "selected) Miss Mildred Martin. Closing song, "True Hearted, Whole Hearted" — congregation, Organ postlude, "Allecro Pomposo," (Galbraith), Mrs. J. W. Akin Jr., organist; Joel H. MacGregor, choir director.

Watch Service At Christian Church

The following announcements are made for the First Christian church this week:

Wednesday evening at 7:30 the mid-week prayer meeting and the Teachers Training class will meet. All are invited to attend these inspiring meetings.

Thursday evening at 9 o'clock there will be a watch night party at the church for the entire membership of the church. This will be sponsored by the young people of the church, but all are urged to attend.

Friday evening at 7:30 the Boy Scouts will have their regular meeting. The troup is under the leadership of Scout Master John Tevis and is one of the most active troops in the city. All boys of scout age are invited to come to this meeting and take part in the work.

Busy Week Ahead For Yale Church

The Yale Avenue Evangelical church announces the following program for the week:

Monday, Ladies' Aid will hold their semi-annual election and every member is urged to be present. Monday evening the city C. E. Union will meet with us. All are cordially invited to attend. Wednesday evening is the annual election of all Sunday school and church officers. All members are specially requested to be present. Thursday evening a business meeting of the league in which the officers for the first six months of the coming year will be elected. Come and take part in this and let us select the proper officers to lead the society on to success for the Lord. Watch night will be observed after the business meeting.

"Presbyterianism" Grafton's Theme

Bible school opens promptly at 9:30 with graded classes in all departments.

At the morning hour of worship Dr. Grafton will begin a series of sermons on "Presbyterianism"—taking this for the subject of the first one this morning. These will be followed each morning with other educational sermons along the same line. The quartet will sing for the offertory "Commit Thou all Thy Griefs," by Grant-Schaeffer. A junior sermon will be given just preceding the regular morning service.

Continuing the series of illustrated lectures in the evening, Dr. Grafton will speak on "Galilee and its Surroundings," showing the pictures of this group, the service beginning at 7:30. The quartet will sing "Sweet Galilee" by Excell just before the pictures are shown.

Endeavor societies meet at 6:45 with a song followed by departmental lesson hours.

Opportunity for church membership and infant baptism will be given at the morning hour of worship.

Local Tailor To Enter Exhibition

J. Fuchs, 604 1-2 Eighth has been requested by the National Association of Merchant Tailors of America to enter the competition participated in by many of the leading taflors throughout the United States, through the National Garment Exhibit held in connection with the annual convention of the association which is to be held this year at St. Louis, Mo., January 26, 29, 1926.

The exposition which comprises one of the outstanding features of the annual convention of the tailors consists of exhibits of every type of garment furnished for the gentleman by the leading merchant tailors throughout the United States.

How To See The Old Year Out So As Not To Affect The Eyesight—By Montague Glass

"Well, Mawruss, it seems like I have just got to the point where I can write 1925 instead of 1924 without first thinking hard to remember which year it is, y'understand, when all of a sudden it will become 1926," Abe Potash observed.

"What's the difference?" Morris Perlmutter asked. "Except for the color of the automobile license plates, Abe, nineteen hundred and twenty-four might just so well be nineteen hundred and twenty-five as nineteen hundred and twenty-six."

"Oh I don't know!" Abe said. "In a few days the papers will be practically filled with lists of the ten biggest accomplishments during 1925 in every line from automobile to motion pictures, and there has been cures discovered in 1925 for diseases which have baffled the entire medical profession ever since invention of appendicitis in Cleveland's administration. As for other departments of science, Mawruss, I see among the great discoveries of 1915 where Dr. Carrel of the Rockafeller Institute has kept a chicken heart alive in salt water fro so many years that they expect if everything goes well in the meantime, it will cast its first voe for Al Smith in the next Presidential election."



"And Beginning at About 2 o'clock New Years Morning, I Would Have Been Glad to Have Been Laying Comfortable in Mount Sinai Hospital With Only a Couple of Legs Broke."

"And I suppose the people of the United States get coupon-cutter's thumb which is a disease among millionaires like writer's cramp among bookkeepers,—from cutting out them lists of the ten best moving pictures, or the ten best anything else, and pasting them in their hats for future reference," Morris suggested.

"If they was like me, Mawruss, they would have to," Abe continued, "because nothing can slip my memory so fast as the names of the ten best anything printed in the newspapers on New Year's day, unless it would be the names of the President's cabinet twenty-four hours after he appoints them."

"Well, in big towns like New York and Chicago, nobody's mind is clear enough on New Year's Day to remember even what happened to them on New Year's Eve," Morris said. "In fact, Abe, a whole lot of people who will see the old year out at twelve o'clock on December thirty first, 1925, will call themselves lucky if they are able to see the New Year in at one o'clock on January 1st, 1926, and I wouldn't be a bit surprised if some of them will use those New Year's Day lists of the ten best moving pictures as eyesight tests. A high liver like Max Immerglick probably says to his wife on New Year's morning: 'Well, Mommer, I guess that last case of Scotch we used up last night must have been all right after all, because I can see as plain as day that the ten best moving pictures during 1925 was in the order named. Are Wives Human?, Flaming Flames, Should Married Men Behave?, Where Was Your Daughter Yesterday or Even for That Matter The Day Before? and so forth and so on, down to and including Slaves to Bi-Carbonate."

People Compete for Indigestion New Year's Eve.

"Max Immerlick ain't the only high liver who thinks the New Year ain't started right unless he's upset his digestion, Mawruss," Abe declared. "And what's more, Mawruss, he feels that 1925 ain't been a calendar year unless he could also upset the digestions of five or six guests. Naturally with so many people competing on December 31st for attacks of acute indigestion, bilious headaches and whiskey indigestion on January 1st, y'understand the cost of coming down with a bad case of intestinal poisoning on New Year's Day is mounting year by year. To lay the foundation of such a sickness at any high class restaurant, hotel or night club in New York City on December 31st, 1925, will probably set Max Immerlick back a minimum of one hundred dollars a table seating six patients, and even then, Mawruss, it will be necessary to tip the head waiter at lenst twenty five dollars."

"At that rate it would be beneficial to Max Immerlick's health and save me a lot of money and discomfort if he should get taken with the flu somewheres around the twenty seventh of December," Morris observed, "and have a setback on New Year's Eve."

"But seriously speaking, Mawruss, I saw the New Year out with Max Immerglick last December 31st at the Club-North-and-South-Carolina," Abe said, "and beginning at about two o'clock New Year's morning, I would have been very glad to have been laying comfortable in Mount Sinai Hospital with only a couple of legs broke Which ordinarily, Mawruss, I like to see people around me acting cheerful and happy, but people who are acting cheerful and happy at a cover charge of twenty five dollars apiece overdo the thing. nI fact, Mawruss, judging by the way Max Immerglick's friends behaved at that night club last New Year's Eve, the only difference between people acting cheerful and happy at twenty five dollars apiece cover charge, and steel workers illegally picketing a rolling mill strike, y'understand, is that they don't call out the militia with machine guns in both cases."

"But I thought the papers said last New Year's Day that the New Year's celebration had been quite orderly," Morris said.

Drug Stores Should Have Cover Charge New Year's Day.

"Sure I know," Abe admitted, "but the real fighting don't begin on New Year's Eve until after the morning papers have been printed at two o'clock Naturally you can't expect that a New Yorw newspaper is going to hold their reporters, editors and printers and pay a lot of money for overtime just to print New Year's Day lists of the ten worst fractured skulls in the Borrough of Manhattan. It's bad enough thatthe doctors have got to lose their sleep to attend to the New Year's sick and wounded, and as for the poor prescription clerks, Mawruss, they must look forward to New Year's Eve with a good deal of dread because that's the one night in the year when every drug store is an all-night owl pharmacy."

"It's a wonder to me, Abe, that the wholesale druggists don't take advantage of New Year's Eve in the big cities," Morris said. "They could put up months in advance, special New Year's packages of mathematic spirits of ammonia and milk of magnesia, and also have ice bags in decorated boxes with Happy New Year printed on them."

"Well, since an up-to-date New Year's celebration seems to be both getting and curing a headache, Mawruss Abe remarked, "there don't seem to be no reason why a soda foundation shouldn't collect a cover charge of twenty five cents on a ten cent drink of bromokissingen on New Year's morning and get something like an even break with the restaurant proprietor who charges two dollars for a New Year's Eve bottle of dry ginger ale which stands him in F. O. B. West 49th Street, not more than ten cents.

"As for the wholesale druggists, Mawruss, there's a great deal in what you say, and if they have any live advertising policy, Mawruss, in view of what people are going to drink this coming year," Ame concluded, "they should ought to start national publicity with a slogan reading:

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Premier Briand avers his adherence to the Isaak Walton cult has helped him out greatly in the game of international diplomacy. "Give your opponent a little bit of bait," he advises, "but not too much. If you overfeed him you will never be able to hook him."

His patience in diplomatic dealing, he asserts has been vastly enhanced by the long hours he has had to put in in waiting for a nibble. The only time he ever deserted his favorite recreation for another, was on a memorable occasion when he played golf with Mr. Lloyd George at Cannes during the famous conference there. That day's sport cost his his seventh premiership.

Saklatvala Sets A Heated Welcome

LONDON, Dec. 26—Shapurji Saklatvala, the only communist member of the house of commons, barred from the United States last summer as a member of the interparliamentary union, will long remember his recent visit to Oxford, where he addressed members of the American club. The meeting broke up in a row and the speaker was hustled out a back door to safety.

Well known figures are invited to address the club, composed of Americans attending the university, from time to time, regardless of their political faiths or religious beliefs and Mr. Saklatvala was asked to speak on his favorite subjects. British students were not invited, but a crowd of young Englishmen gained entrance toward the middle of the communist's speech, and by boos, cat calls and college yells broke up the meeting When the police arrived Mr. Saklatvala was ushered down a dark stairway and off toward the railway station.

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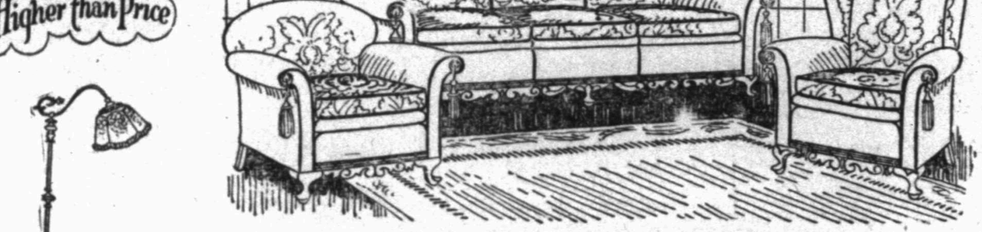
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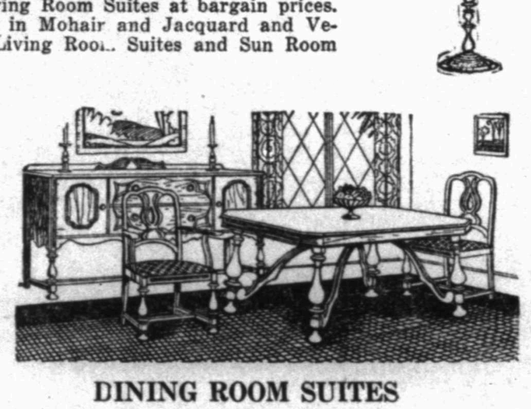
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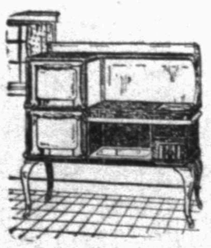
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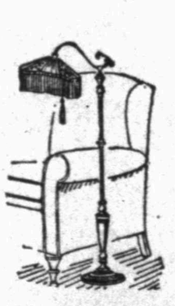
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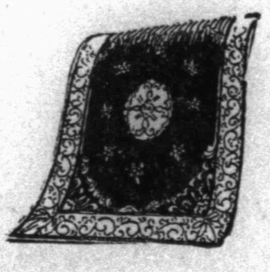
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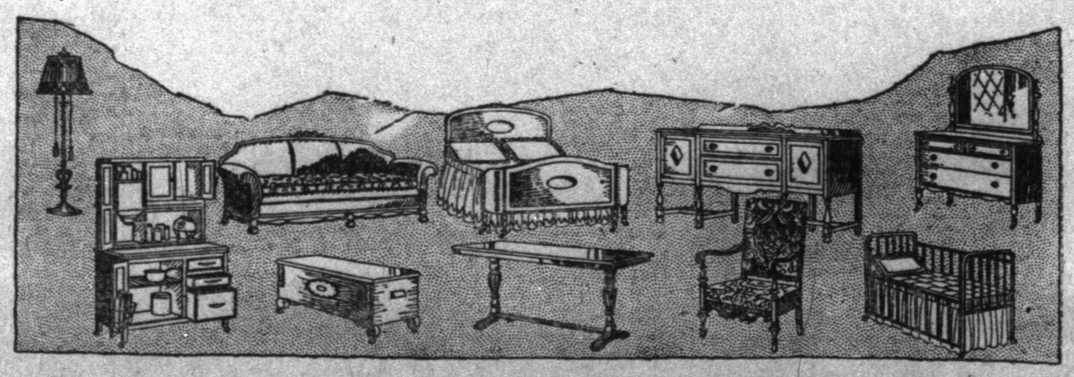


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You know, I told you of the red georgette dress I wore when Jack saw me at a party given at the Montmartre Cafe in Hollywood and how much he admired it. Indeed, he fancied it so much that recently, in Paris, he insisted that I buy another red dress as nearly like it as possible.

Just why I had put on that particular frock that night for the Montmartre party I don't know. But, since I'm a believer in Fate, I like to charge it to that. For, as I said before, I certainly didn't know I'd see Jack Dempsey and I couldn't have guessed he had a preference for red. At that time I had not formally met him. And, as a matter of fact, I first dressed in a brand new yellow gown which was much more expensive than the red one. But, at the last moment, I changed my mind, put on the flaming dress, red slippers and stockings—and was late, yes, very late—for the party.

Sweet Little Jack.

On the day after that I remember I was having a hurry-up lunch at the cafeteria on the corner of the Lasky lot when pp came my friend, Merwin Le Roy. Merwin is at present "gag man" (that is, a man who creates funny titles and situations) for the Colleen Moore pictures. Then he was working in the Lasky studios as I was, but we were in different pictures.

I had known Merwin for a long, long time, in fact, ever since I first came to Hollywood, and whenever my spirits were down he could always revive them. He often talked in Jewish dialect and did it well. But on this particular occasion he used plain, every-day English. And, strangely enough, he wore a serious expression.

I remember I was eating my regular and non-fattening lunch of cottage cheese salad and coffee when Merwin came along with his own well-laden and enviable lunch tray. He sat down beside me.

I was very glad to see him and was in a receptive mood for anything funny he might tell me. But his apparent solemnity was not too promising.

"Estelle," he began, "I've got something very important to say to you." Then he paused seriously before adding: "How would you like to meet a great big boy who's just a little bit effeminate?"

"I don't want to meet any big boy who's effiminate," I answered. "I hate effeminate men and you ought to know it. But who is he?"

"Jack Dempsey," said Merwin without a sign of a smile, "and I think you ought to let me bring him out here. He wants to meet you."

No Talent for Care and Some Smile.

"Jack Dempsey again!" I thought to myself, inwardly laughing at Merwin's studied-out absurdity in calling Jack "effeminate," but out loud I said: "All right, bring him out—sometime."

"How about day-after-tomorrow?" Merwin asked. "I'll be out of town tomorrow."

"Very well," I replied, finishing my lunch and hurrying back to the lot where the director was waiting to take some of the scenes in the picture, "Tiger Love."

The following day I was on the Lasky ranch when up drove a handsome red roadster. Out of it stepped a famous screen star (the same one who had sat beside me on the Santa Monica beach a few months before) and Jack Dempsey.

"You see, I'm bringing the enemy right in our camp," said the actor by way of introduction, "and if he cuts me out, I'll have myself to blame. But if I hadn't presented him to you somebody else would. For Jack has his heart set on knowing you and nothing can stop him. I know Jack Dempsey."

Jack smiled a little self-consciously, I thought, as he replied: "Yes, Merwin LeRoy had promised to bring me out here tomorrow, but when I learned you were coming this way, I thought today would be better."

There was something boyish and impulsive about Jack that I liked very much. His utter lack of self-importance appealed to me strongly. And his clothes were in excellent taste. He had on a gray suit that was well tailored and becoming. And he did not wear jewelry, not even a stick-pin or watch chain. I never liked jewelry on men and the fact that Jack wore none was in his favor.

He Got It in the Neck, Too.

But, above everything else, I know it was his smile that appealed to me most. Never have I seen anyone smile so wholeheartedly as he does. Possibly that is because he has no talent for worrying.

No matter what may have gone wrong during the day, when bedtime comes he goes to sleep—and he stays asleep until time to get up in the morning. Even the nights before his big fights he has told me, he slept eight or nine hours without waking.

At the time we met on the Lasky ranch he was making, for the Universal company, a series of pictures, "Fight and Win." So he invited me to a studio luncheon there the following day.

I went—and after lunch watched Jack work in the pictures.

Several times, between scenes, he came over to the set where I was and said to me; "You know, I don't want to be an actor-sheik. I'm a boxer. That's my line."

Later he explained to me that he never felt so self-conscious in all his life as he was that afternoon when I was watching him act. He said he realized that I knew much more than he about the technique of picture work and that he feared I was inwardly criticizing his efforts.

But he really had all his concern for nothing. I was not thinking half so much about his acting as I was about his makeup. It was excellent—for a man. For, as a rule, men just slap it on. And the backs of their necks they generally ignore completely. Just why I don't know, unless they figure that only their faces are likely to be turned toward the camera.

Pretty Tough on Jack.

Jack, I noticed on that and subsequent occasions, exercised great care with his makeup. And he did not slight the back of his neck. But that was to be expected, for in all things he is thorough. There is nothing of the "half-wayist" about him. And he is punctuality itself.

The night following the Universal studio luncheon I invited him to my house to dinner—and he came on the dot. Strange to say, I did not keep him waiting. So things started off well enough. But I had a surprise for him.

For some reason or other, (it must have been sheer perverseness on my part) on my way home from the studio I had stopped at the butcher's and told him I wanted the biggest and toughest steak he had in his shop.

The butcher, a roly poly German, looked at me in amazement, as he said: "Vy, Miss Taylor, I never haf had an order like dot in my life."

"Well, that's what I wish," I replied. "Jack Dempsey is coming to my house to dinner and I want a big, tough steak. I'd like to see what he can do with it."

The butcher filled the order and I carried the steak home, instructing my cook to keep it on the fire a long time and to see that it was "done." I remembered that my grandmother once told me that the longer a steak is cooked, the tougher it becomes.

Some poet, I believe, has said something about inconsistency being the name of woman. I think he was, perhaps, right. For, notwithstanding my purchase of the toughest steak the market afforded, I set about decorating my dining room as attractively as possible with red roses. Then I lighted the red candles on the table and switched off the electric light.

That was the setting into which Jack came—to eat his first dinner with me. I saw him looking at the flowers and the candles, but he said nothing. Then the huge steak was brought in. He tried to carve it. If the carving was difficult, eating the meat was worse. I saw Jack struggling. And then I felt guilty and sorry, so guilty and so sorry, in fact, that just before he left, I told him about the order I'd given the butcher.

"Well, he certainly filled it," he said. "I've eaten a lot of tough meet in my day, but never any hing like that steak you had tonight."

That was in April, 1924. Jack came to dine with me frequently after that and I always decorated the table with flowers and I always used candles instead of electric lights until one night he said to me:

"Won't you, as a special favor, take those flowers off the table and let us eat by electric light. I can't enjoy my food eating in the dark and with a whole lot of flowers blocking the view of you."

Next time we ate without flowers and with all the electricity the dining room afforded. For I had come to like Jack and was ready to humor him.

He was a study to me and I found his moods interesting. Shortly before I met him a friend of mine, Paul Bern, the motion picture director and I had been reading Freud, and I was in that enthusiastic stage (which all novices in psycho-analysis go through) of analyzing every interesting character I met.



Jack Dempsey Eating Food His Wife Has Prepared for Him. Left to Right, Mrs. Dempsey, Jack, Lillian Barker.

Jack was certainly that—indeed, he was the most interesting one I've ever known, in one way elemental, and in another complex.

A Telephone Quiz.

One of his "complexes," I soon discovered, was an aversion to talking about himself or his fights. And his fights were just what I wanted to talk about, for I'd become intensely interested in boxing.

Once, when I asked him how he felt when Firpo knocked him through the ropes, if he had not then thought his title was gone, he said: "No, at the time I didn't even know I was through the ropes and I never even thought of the title. All I remember is getting back into the ring and fighting as hard as I could. I didn't even hear a sound from the audience. But once I am in the ring, I never think of the crowds. I neither see nor hear them. I think about nothing but fighting and knocking the other fellow out as quickly as possible."

This same power of concentration causes Jack to fix his attention just as undividedly on anything else that he may happen to be doing. I've noticed it time and time again. If he's playing solitaire, as he often does, I might talk to him about the most interesting thing in the world and he wouldn't hear me. And I've never known him to stop until he'd won out, no matter how long it took him And he appreciates concentration in others.

This brings to my mind an incident that occurred soon after our courtship began. It was about 7 o'clock in the evening when Jack came to my home on Formosa Street in Los Angeles. I was playing solitaire. He watched me. Luck was against me and I continued to play until after midnight, with him looking on all the while.

Only yesterday, in referring to that visit, he said: "I liked you before I saw you stick out that game, but I liked you a whole lot more when I saw you wouldn't give up till you'd won."

Two nights after that Jack came to dinner. We'd just finished eating when the phone rang. It was a long distance call from Mexico. The actor who had introduced us was there "on location" and telephoned to check up on a news report which said Jack had dined at my home the night before.

I was somewhat embarrassed and my conversation consisted entirely of "yes's" and "no's," for I knew Jack could hear all I was saying.

When I hung up the receiver he said: "Who's that fellow you said all those 'yes's' and 'no's' to?"

I tensingly withheld the answer to Jack's question that night. But it was answered a few days later by the actor himself—and in a most startling manner.

(In the next chapter Estelle Taylor Dempsey will tell in detail just how he question was answered and of further incidents in their interesting courtship.)

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Estelle Taylor Dempsey Outside Tent In Which Story Was Written at Venice, California.

Rooster Symphony Once a Threat Of Richard Wagner

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—Intimate details of Richard Wagner's life at Villa Wahnfried have come to light with the publication of letters of Malwida von Meysenburg, a close friend.

The letters reveal that Wagner was so fond of his pedigreed cocks that he once threatened to write a "cock symphony," saying that the birds were quite as interesting as the majority of unfeathered bipeds of his acquaintance.

Denying the truth of the popular conception, Malwida von Meysenburg wrote that Wagner did not spend all of his time in dreaming in the realm of Gods and demi-gods of the Nibelungen dramas. She says he got much of his inspiration while feeding and watching the cocks in his poultry yard.

She also gave Wagner a bad name as a whist player. It was futile, she wrote, to expect a serious game with him even when his father-in-law, Franz Liszt, was present, and the rubber usually came to an end in a gale of laughter at his incessant quips and sallies.

BREAKFAST PREPARATION COMPANY ORGANIZED.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—A breakfast preparation company has been organized in Berlin for the delivery of luncheon packages into homes or offices between 8:30 and 10 a. m., in time for the second of the Germans' five meals a day.

Posters of the concern announce that the lupeheon package consists of two bun sandwiches six mornings a week for 85 cents, payable weekly in much the same manner as newspapers subscriptions.

Subscribers have a choice of cheese, egg salad, ham, cold roast or sausage and may order a different variety each day.

EUROPE STILL PRODUCES GOOD COMPOSERS, HE SAYS.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—The charge that post-war Europe is not producing worthwhile composers is being challenged by admirers of Ernst Roters, orchestra director of Kammerspiele Theatre, Hamburg, who recently introduced himself to critics in a concert of his own works given with the Philharmonic orchestra of Berlin.

Roters looks to Richard trauss as his chief inspirer. He scorns the ultra-modernists such as Stravinsky and Schoenberg, and prefers to travel the route of melody and beauty of sound rather than that of dissonance for its own sake. He plans to visit the United States next year.



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Mrs. John Dyson entertained the members of her Sunday school class of the First Methodist church on Tuesday evening with a party at her home on north Wichita Street. They spent the evening in playing games and several gave piano selections. Christmas decorations were used through the house and at the close of the evening a plate luncheon was served. Rev. E. V. Cole was a special guest at the party and he made a short talk. Gifts were brought and these in turn were distributed by the teacher to the poor on the following day. Girls present were: Misses Inez Barnett, Bernice Bishop, Lavonia Coopeer, Inez Gonce, Bertha Simms, Bertha Williams, Lorene Stroud and Juanita Farris. Messrs. Worth Shanateit, Josie Hooks, Trever Bell, Earnest Friend, Leroy Simms, Henry Davis, Theodore Bishop, Allen D. Moore, Clyde Litner, Charlie McHugh and Rev. E. V. Cole.

ENTERTAIN FIREMEN.
After the firemens' meeting Wednesday night those present were invited on to the largest fire truck and were carried to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Red Lewis where they were received by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Laumen and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Malone at a surprise party. The Hipps three-piece orchestra furnished music. Late in the evening refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee and cakes were served to the following: Earl Ray, fire chief; C. A. Jones, Reese Green, Scott Green, Herman Adams, Ben Toomey, J. W. Malone, Walter Suttle, Bob Cribbe, D. K. Martin, Slim Milhollon, O. J. Dietz Harry Laumen and the hostess.

GIVE CHRISTMAS CHEER.
The Sunday school class No. 13 of the First Methodist church of which Mrs. A. J. Gafford is teacher, gathered at her home on Thursday morning and with 13 of the young ladies in attendance carried baskets of fruit, toys and clothing to a widow with three small children whom Santa Claus would have forgotten.

MRS. HAMILTON HOSTESS.
The Alpha Bible class, and members of the Sunday school, were entertained at the home of Mrs. Cyril Hamilton on West Glisson Avenue on Wednesday evening with a program and a Christmas tree. Little Miss Barbara Hatfield read a Christmas surprise and Miss Inogene Goodman read "Father's Christmas Box" while little Miss Ellen Giles gave "Toyland." Miss Maxine Dooley sang a "Christmas Selection," and Mrs. R. E. Goodman's Sunday school class gave "the Christmas Tree" as a chorus. Santa Claus entered and distributed gifts for each one present and a very nice tree was stripped of its gifts. Rev. Dooley said a few words and refreshments were served to about 50 people.

MR. AND MRS. NOACK ENTERTAIN.
Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Noack of the Rio Bravo Oil company entertained all the employes and their families with a party and Christmas tree on Christmas eve. Music and games were the diversions of the evening. In the children's games, little Miss Levira Bissell was given a box of candy as the prize. Just before Santa Claus entered, Miss Eloise Gafford read "A Gift From Santa Claus" followed by an encore. Santa distributed gifts from a pretty Christmas tree. Holly, Spanish moss and mistletoe were used for decorations. Those making up the party included Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Walton and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bruton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul George and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Morell and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hanks and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. Huchingson and daughter, Bobby Joe, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gafford and daughter, Eloise, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bissell and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wilson and daughter, Lila Bell, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brackeen, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Kent of Ryan, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Noack and Mrs. S. E. Jopling of San Angelo and Messrs. Curtis Stewart, C. A. Bissell.

PAGEANT AT CHURCH.
On Christmas eve night, preceding a Christmas tree, a very pretty pageant, the "Christmas Hat," directed by Mrs. Jodie Smith, with the following young people taking part, was presented: Misses Nova Petty, Lillie Melton, Evelyn Smith, Aline Ford and Myrtle Chenault. Messrs. Del Coolidge, Joe Miller, Brewer Smith and La Verne Gilger. Marshall Richardson was "Santa Claus."

ELECTRA PERSONALS.
Dr. C. P. Brokaw of Houston, accompanied by wife and children, Charles Austin, Earl, and Virginia Lee, are guests at the home of Dr. Brokaw's brother, J. M. Brokaw and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Gillis, during the holidays, arriving in Electra on Wednesday evening.

Miss Leona Smith, daughter of Mrs. S. W. Smith who teaches school at Valley View is visiting in Electra during the Christmas season.

Mr. Lewis Vaughn and wife arrived back in Electra, after a short bridal trip to make their homes in Electra.

Miss Gladys Bird, who attends college at the Junior college in Wichita Falls, is home for the holidays with her parents.

Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harris is spending Christmas with his parents, after having been at the A. and M. college for the past term.

John Davis of Vernon, but formerly of this city was a visitor in Electra on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clifton and children of Long Grove, Okla., are visiting with Mrs. Clifton's brother, George Price and family of Southeast Electra.

Mrs. M. D. Edwards of Muskogee, Okla., has been the guest of her mother and brothers, the Mr. Goodmans for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Robinson of Memphis, Texas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Cawfield.

Rev. E. V. Cole is spending the Christmas holidays with friends in Gainesville, Texas.

Miss Marguerite Baird left on Thursday night for Tuscola for Christmas, Miss Toby Baird having gone on Tuesday.

Miss Katie Ciscele returned home on Wednesday from an extended visit with friends and relatives in Olney.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Milliner spent Christmas day the C. V. Hevrin family on East Roosevelt Avenue.

F. C. Melton of Roberta, Okla., is visiting with his son, W. P. Melton and wife of North Electra Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mosley had Christmas dinner with Mr. Mosley's sister in Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vandeventer, spent Christmas in Quanah with relatives.

Mr. M. C. McDowell of Houston, was in Electra during the week-end on business.

Messrs. Dodd and Walter Vernon, are spending Christmas with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Vernon of North Waggoner Street. Mr. Dodd Veernon is teaching school near Paris, while Walter is a student in the Paris Junior college.

Mr. John C. Galt of St. Paul, a civil engineer, with the Minnesota highway department, spent Christmas in the city with his wife and son, and wife's people, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. De Vault.

OLNEY

PARTY AT GROVES HOME.
Misses Geneva and Bernice Groves were hostesses Monday evening to a large number of friends at a beautifully appointed bridge party. A profusion of mistletoe, potted plants, and crimson candles in silver holders suggested the Christmas season and the blazing Yule logs from the open fire helped to extend a cherry hospitality.

Misses Leone McCracken and Geneva presided at the punch bowl.

Mrs. Harlan Deets was high in the games, receiving a colonial boudoir pillow and Miss Verna Blewett was given an egg beater as low score favor. Red and green candy sticks were served during the games.

A pretty refreshment plate was served to Misses Leone McCracken, Catherine Manton, Verna Blewett, Edna Wood, Eloise, Anne and Hallie Farmer, Rosena Sipes, Alma Gadberry and Adele Harrell, Mae and C. Cozart and Mesdames Geo. B. Hamilton, Fred Harrell, Frances Scott Thrash, George Welch, Roy Roach, Edwin Hooker, Skeen Staley, Burt Bloodworth, S. O. Callahan, Jr., Layalle Arwood, Charles Hunt, Harlan Deets, Henry Harris, Clyde Benson and Elby Wilburn, and the hostesses.

SUPPER DANCE.
A supper dance and bridge party formed the entertainment at a delightful hospitality on Friday evening at which Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craig were host and hostess. A buffet dinner was served. Mrs. Henry Harris and the hostess presided the table, graciously serving the three-course supper plate.

Those present were Misses Leone McCracken, Edna Wood, Mae and C. Cozart, Lois Wilson, Veerna Blewett and Messrs. Luther Wood, A. W. Wa.., Sam Hildreth, Joe Benson, Hal Greer and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris, Burt Bloodworth, S. O. Callahan, Jr., Charles Hunt, Dr. Fern Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hooker.

WITH THE "YOUNGER SET."
Many gala affairs are being planned in honor of college students home for the holidays. Among those who are here already are Misses Cora and Eleanora Roach from C. I. A. at Denton; Miss Janette Scott, from T. C. U. at Fort Worth; Miss Mary Katherine Cooper, from Saint Mary's at Dallas; Misses Virginia and Sibyl Meyers, Miss Jeweil Webb, from C. I. A., at Denton; Miss Ruby Gadberry, from C. I. A.; Miss Virgil Bloodworth, from C. I. A. and Henderson Shuffler from A. and M.; Miss Zella Mae Jones and Clyde Jones from San Marcos Academy, Travis Edwards, Gus Cooke and Hayden Framer, from Simmons college at Abilene.

MRS. McKINNEY HOSTESS.
The Altruistic club met with Mrs. H. C. McKinney on Saturday afternoon at a call meeting. The new home displayed to advantage the mass of Christmas foliage and flowering plants, which were the decorations used.

Mrs. J. P. Alexander was leader and Mrs. B. C. Schulkey gave a paper on "Woman in Her Sexuo-Economic Relation."

It was voted to invite the Newcastle and Graham study clubs to meet with the Altruistic club as hostess sometime about the first of March when Mrs. J. U. Fields, state president will be the honor guest. The hostess served a delicious salad plate.

OLNEY PERSONALS.
Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Wolveerton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolverton will have as their guests during the holidays Messrs. Wolverton's parents and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Wolverton, Sr., and Miss Edna Wolverton, of Mart, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Anderson and family of Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Bloodworth and little daughter, Katherine Jean, left Tuesday for Decatur to spend the holidays with Mrs. Bloodworth's parents.

Mrs. Skeen Staley and little son, Skeen Jr., left Wednesday for Wichita Falls to be with Mrs. Staley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tancred until Christmas afternoon.

Jack Marold of Fort Worth was in Olney several days this week.

Misses C. Cozart and Lois Wilson were in Graham Wednesday.

Fred Parker who has been studying violin in Fort Worth for several months is home with his parents, Mr. and Fred Parker, Sr., for the holidays.

Miss Annette McGregor left Tuesday for Cisco to join her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Stanton and family, who will accompany her to Grandberry to visit Mrs. A. T. Keith and family. From there the party will go to Fort Worth for a few days, before Miss McGregor returns home about the first.

Bobbie Goudeau left Tuesday for Lake Charles, La., to spend the holidays with his parents.

Dr. and Mrs. L. P. Gragg left the early part of the week for points in East Texas to be away for about ten days.

The Record News want ads give the best results.

VERNON

VERNON PERSONALS.
L. D. Terrell left Wednesday for Arkadelphia, Ark., to spend the holidays at his boyhood home and visit his mother.

A. P. Peck left Wednesday for Knoxville, Tenn., to visit his sister.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Murchison left Wednesday for Farmersville, to visit his mother. Mr. Murchison and the other brothers and sisters never fail to go home for Christmas.

Miss Ollie Kambert of Beaumont and A. H. Kinard of Dallas will spend Christmas with Miss Marguerite Thomas.

Mrs. Don D. Parker and daughter, Doniece and her sister, Rosalyn of Eastland will spend the holidays with her father, H. L. Coleman and family.

F. A. Caperton left Wednesday for a visit with relatives at Albany. He was accompanied as far as Throckmorton by H. L. Coleman, where he met his daughters, who were driving through from Eastland.

W. D. Dixon left Thursday for Elida, New Mexico, to spend Christmas with his parents.

Herman Abbott, student in the Texas University is here to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. A. Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Shaw, who are attending Wayland college at Plainview are here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Shaw and her mother, Mrs. A. J. Smith, all of Sherwood community.

Mrs. Fred Wendt of Philadelphia, arrived today to visit her mother, Mrs. L. S. Owens, who is very ill at the Hotel Bailey.

Erwin and Allen Coleman, who attend the Texas Technological college at Lubbock arrived Thursday to spend the holidays with their father, H. L. Coleman and family.

G. H. Wilemon, instructor and coach at Vernon high school, left for Waxahachie Wednesday where he will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

E. A. Baggett, head football coach of the Vernon Lions, went to Fort Gibson, Okla., Wednesday to spend Christmas with relatives.

E. W. Sheppard, manual training instructor in Vernon high, went to Abilene Wednesday to visit his parents during Christmas.

R. L. Whitley, Vernon high school English instructor, left Wednesday for Commerce to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Norma Voelckere, instructor in home economics, left for her home at New Braunfels Wednesday.

Miss Mattie Mae Haney, Junior high school instructor, went to Smithville Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Curtis Renfro, graduate student in Texas University is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. R. Renfro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kuhn and son of Fort Worth arrived Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Kuhns parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coffee.

Marriage Licenses.
C. W. Fugate and Ruth Duke.
Dewey Turner and Miss Arlie Dickson.

Lawyers Named For Slayer of Three

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—E. W. Crowell, Farmersville, and Wallis Scott, Dublin, have been appointed by District Judge Keith as counsel for F. M. Snow, charged with triple murder, according to advices received Saturday by a local newspaper from Stephenville.

Snow is still in jail at Stephenville, where he will be held until his trial, set for January 18. Following the killings, Snow confessed that he had slain Bernie Connally, 18-year-old step-son, his wife and her mother, Mrs. S. A. Olds.

3 Texas Boys Die In Christmas Wreck

HENDERSON, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Three young boys, Charlie Wood, Brock Wood and Yovd Allen, were instantly killed Christmas day on the Henderson and Laneville road at Barnhart creek when a small roadster they were in turned off a steep embankment. It was going at a fast speed. They lived in the community near where they were killed and were buried today.

HENRIETTA

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB.
The Neighborhood club was very delightfully entertained this week by Mrs. W. S. Stagg. Christmas decorations were used in the house. One feature of the afternoon's entertainment was the exchanging of gifts. Dainty refreshments were served to Mesdames B. A. Mayer of Bowie, Paul Teague, J. H. Butler, Dave Utley, G. M. Smith, F. E. Dubois, May Puckett, R. E. Smith, J. H. Shelton, W. A. Sandefer, H. F. McDaniel, C. E. Jenkins and Tillie Grinke.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.
Little Miss Lois Lefener entertained with a children's party celebrating her eighth birthday. Games were enjoyed and refreshments were served to the following children: Helen Brown, Lila Jean Dodd, Fay Lankford, Elizabeth Fuller, Jane Fuller, Billie Mae Culwell, Mary Eaton, Earline Griffin and Helen Griffin.

Mrs. W. S. Culwell will be hostess to the Thursday club this week.

CHRISTMAS RECITAL.
Miss Jimmay Norman presented her piano and voice pupils in a recital at the Baptist church last Friday night, the program was as follows:

PART 1
Barbara-Greenwald—Ruth Williams.
The Blind mice—Keen, Wilma Lee Croshtwait.
Blue Bird waltz, Brown—Maude Gray.
The Sponsor's Return, Holcomb—Naomi Townley.
Remember the Rose (voice), Simons—Velma Shaw.
I Begin, Willey—Lois Lefever.
Rock a Bye Baby, Butler—Elizabeth Fuller.
(a) Whispering Hope, Butler.
(b) Pixies Good Night Song, Brown—Katie Lou Olsen.
Love's Old Sweet Song, Molly—Naoma Townley.
Little Brothers waltz, Krentzlin—Billie May Culwell.
Wayside Flowers, Butler—Irene Wiseman
Fairies of the Forest, Long—Lola Garrison.
Concert Palonaise, Engleman — Anna Kathryn Oheim.
Absent, Metcalf—Miss Ernestine Mas...

PART 2
Santa Claus' Party, Libretta—Wr. B. Gardner.
Music by F. Gottsbalk.

CAST.
Jane Johnson—Anna Kathryn Oheim.
Santa Claus—Naoma Townley.
Plum Pudding—Ruth Williams.
Pumpkin Pie—Velma Shaw.
Candy Cane—Leola Garrison.
Christmas Cake—Wilma Lee Crosthwait
Christmas Candle—Maude Gray.
Jack In the Box—Lois Lefever.
Christmas Tree—Elizabeth Fuller.
Mistletoe—Billie Mae Culwell.
Holly—Katie Lou Olsen.

MAIDS AND MATEONS CLUB.
Mrs. Carl Barker will be hostess to the Maids and Matrons club this week.

BRIDGE PARTY.
Mrs. Willie Carrow entertained Friday evening at bridge, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cook of San Angelo. There were five tables and Mrs. Curt Oheim of Dallas won high score for the ladies and was given a dainty handkerchif. Mr. Cook scord high among the gentlemen and was given a caton of cigarettes. Refreshments were served at a late hour to the following Messrs. and Mesdames M. M. Alexander, Cedric O. Taylor, Joseph Cook of San Angelo, Ferey Neville, Curt Oheim of Dallas, Louis Campbell of Oklahoma City, Louis Ikard, Miss Jessie Chestnutt, Mamie Kae Nutter, Catherine Corrow, Mr. Chas. Carrow of Ranger.

HENRIETTA PERSONALS.
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McGregor and children, Murrell, Thaxton and Madeline of Wichita Falls were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thaxton Christmas.

Miss Lorene Puckett who attends Southwesteren University at Georgetown is spending her vacation here the guest of her mother, Mrs. Mae Puckett.

Miss Tura Thaxton of Oklahoma City is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thaxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Oheim of Dallas are guests of relatives here for the holidays.

Miss Dorris Kelly student at State University is home for the holidays.

Anthony Grinke is at home from Lubbock where he attends Tech college.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Campbell of Oklahoma City are guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Ellis of Ryan, Okla., are guests of relatives here.

Misses Belle D. and Jewell Jones who teach in Memphis, are home for the holidays.

Clyde Suddath student at Southwestern University at Georgetown, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Neville and son, Billie Barlow, have returned from an overland trip to Port Lavaca.

Mrs. W. L. Mount has returned from Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Healy of Fort Worth, are the guests of friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith and children, Nancy and Bobbie, are spending the Christmas holidays in Fort Worth.

Mrs. R. A. Mayer of Bowie, is the guest of Mrs. Dave Utley.

Miss Mary Thompson who attends North Texas Teachers college at Denton is at home for the holidays, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Thompson.

Rev. L. J. Greesham of Nichols, S. C., has been the guest of J. R. Munkers.

P. T. Morris of Denton, was here Saturday.

Miss Roberta Taylor, who attends Ursline Academy in Dallas and Miss Mildred Taylor, who attends Junior college at Wichita Falls, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Taylor for the holidays.

C. F. Walker is in Denton for the holidays.

Miss Mary Diggs is at her home in Dallas.

Miss Clara Vaughn spent the week in Dallas.

Mr. C. D. Sullivant spent the week in Gainesville.

Miss Lucille Munkers is visiting in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Miss Zema White spent Christmas at her home at Charlie.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Jones and G. P. Jones, Jr., are spending the holidays in Fort Worth the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Redford.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferriss are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Jack Wyatt in Fort Worth.

Ted Weaver, student at State University at Austin is home for the holidays.

Mrs. J. T. Burke Of Enterprise Dead

ELECTRA, Dec. 26.—Mrs. J. T. Burke, 53, died early Saturday at her home in the Enterprise community, 10 miles from Electra, after a long illness. Her husband and seven daughters survive. They are: Mrs. Lula Gumpert, Mrs. Susie Litton, Mrs. Winnie Glazner and Mrs. Effie Eperty, and Misses Hester, Birdie and Clara Burke, all of this community.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist church, with Rev. Lonnie Whitworth, pastor of the Assembly of God church, conducting the services. Burial will be in the local cemetery.

Mrs. Burke was born in Arkansas, in 1872, and lived in that state until she was almost grown and then her parents moved to Texas, but for the past 12 years the Burkes have made their home in the Enterprise community, where they are well known farmers, and well loved residents of that community. They have many friends to mourn the loss of their wife and mother along with them.

FIRE DEPT. IMPROVES
ELECTRA, Dec. 26.—Great improvement in the Electra fire department during the year is announced by fire officials and business men. The department recently decided to add another paid driver to the department. C. H. Honeycutt has been employed. In praising the work of the department, Edward Schlaffke sent in a check for $25.

SEWELL LOSES FIGHT FOR WRIT

Convicted in Denton Murder Case, He Sought Release on Bond

DENTON, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP) W. J. Sewell, sentenced to five years imprisonment on conviction of murder in connection with the death of Deputy Sheriff R. B Parsons here last August, was remanded to jail here late today when Judge Ben W. Boyd denied him a writ of habeas corpus.

Sewell had made bond of $6,000 on appeal from sentence in the murder case, but Sheriff Fry refused to sign or approve bonds of $1,000 each in two cases of assault to murder against him. Had Judge Boyd granted the writ today the sheriff would have been compelled to approve the bonds.

T.-O. News Briefs

RANGER—E. C. Sebastain, has been sent here from Austin by the Ranger force, to aid the prosecution in collecting evidence in the Jim Daniels murder case. Two men are held in jail.

FREDERICK—Leonard Schaeffer and S. G. Baldwin, arrested on the Baldwin farm near Grandfield, have been ordered held to the district court for conspiracy to violate the prohibition law, in bonds of $3,000 each.

VERNON—Wilbarger county officials won in the suit to stop building of the paved road from Harrold to Oklaunion, according to news from Amarillo, where the case was decided on appeal by the court of civil appeals.

ELECTRA— Thirty-two farmers and business men from this section recently visited the headquarters of the Texas farm bureau cotton association, at Dallas.

STAMFORD—Cold weather during the past few days has only resulted in slight delay in paving of the city streets.

CHILDRESS—Local real estate men have announced that they will go before the city council in January and ask legislation that will bring about a cleaner city. A "cleanup day," is expected to be designated.

WELLINGTON—The town of Wellington, county seat of Collingsworth county, has named its streets after towns in the Panhandle, using the railway as the dividing line. Among the streets names are Amarillo, Bowie, Childress and Dalhart.

KIRKLAND—W. H. D. Thomas of Kirkland, Childress county, claims to be the champion turkey raiser this year. He sold 141 turkeys for a total of $578.88, or an average of $4.10 for each turkey.

WHITFLAT—E. E. Wood, owner of the cotton gin at Whiteflat, Motley county, announces that a deep test for oil is to be drilled three miles northwest of the town by Staley and George of Wichita Falls. A drilling outfit has been unloaded for the wildcat test.

CHILDRESS—F. O. Harrell, of Wichita Falls, in speaking of the building boom at Childress, says that it will be the leading city between Wichita Falls and Amarillo. Childress has shown great gains in population during the last few months. News of the proposed extension of the Denver road, is expected to aid building operations.

CLARENDON—In order to boost Clarendon and make it a bigger and better city, the citizens will meet at a banquet and tell their views. Walter D. Cline of Wichita Falls, has been invited to address the banquet guests.

BROWNWOOD—The J. R. Bettis old home place at Blanket, 16 miles north of Brownwood, was destroyed by fire at noon today.

FREDERICK—Three girls by the same maiden name, appear on the marriage records of Tillman county. All were married on Christmas day. Before their marriage the girls names were Schreiner. Two are sisters while the third is a cousin of the two. Marie Schreiner is the bride of W. J. Hall, of Manitou, Okla.; Katie Schreiner was wedded to Henry Strecker of Chattanooga and Lee Schreiner, became the wife of Benjamin Strecker of Chattanooga.

WELLINGTON—Farmers living in Collingsworth county, have been killing prairie dogs by use of carbon gas.

RANGER—Sam LaBowe, a barber, refused to put up his hands and was shot by a hi-jacker.

CHILDRESS —Twelve new, modern homes will be built in Childress, it is announced by Dorrance and Batchelder, owners of the Denver Heights addition.

CLARENDON— That Clarendon will show large increase in its already growing population this coming year, is evidenced by the great interest that is being taken by people living in other states who have applied to the chamber of commerce and the newspaper for data about this section of the plains country.

CISCO—Cisco farmers, about 25 in number signified their willingness to again pool their interest in the purchase of certified seed potatoes. Another meeting of farmers will be held January 2, when it is hoped to get all potato growers to join the pool.

EASTLAND—An automobile, found parked on the old Eastland road between Eastland and Cisco, badly damaged, was stolen from J. Warren, at Cisco.

CANYON—Miss Lois Lyon, of Stamford, has won first place in the declamation contest of the State Teachers school at Canyon. She graduated at the Stamford high school in 1924.

STAMFORD—The Stamford sanitarium nurses home has been completed and on "open house" is to be held.

CHILDRESS—Records of buildings constructed in Childress for the last year show that a total of $1,997,500 has been spent for new homes and business buildings. This enormous sum is more than equals the city's entire building investment up to a year ago, it is claimed.

CLARENDON—The Panhandle's oldest educational institution, the Clarendon College, founded in 1898, becomes a first-class college in 1926. Owing to its exceptional standing, it now is in the grade A senior college.

ELECTRA SPORTSMEN BACK FROM SUCCESSFUL HUNT
ELECTRA, Dec. 23.—R. L. Sargent and J. J. Bruce have recently returned from a deer hunt to Alvarado, Texas, where they were joined by Buddy Cordell, and after spending about ten days on the hunt, they were fortunate in bagging three large bucks.

SANTA BRINGS A BRIDE.
C. W. Fugate of Wills Point Weds Miss Ruth Duke of Bourland at Vernon.
VERNON, Dec. 26.—C. W. Fugate of Wills Point and Miss Ruth Duke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Duke of the Bourland community were married Thursday morning by Rev. C. Ross Payne, Baptist minister, at his home at 1123 Pease Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fugate will be at home in Wills Point after the holidays.

Ring Interviews Himself And Reveal Unique Hobby —By R. Lardner

To the editor:
I must exclaim at the start that I am a resident of Great Neck on Long Island and Great Neck has got a weekly paper which everybody I know reads it from cover to cover and one of the features that makes it popular is a weekly interview by Miss Marjorie Klein with this or that citizen of our wonder little city and finely it come my turn so I seen that Miss Klein was tired so I says I would write it myself, but pretend like she wrote it and she got permission for same from Mr. Hal W. Lanigan, the towny Bible editor who incidently is



Mr. Lardner Was Rendering This Melody On New Musical Goblets

the man who christened our little city Wonder Great Neck. So here it is in toto:

"Our Miss Marjorie Klein, assigned this week to interview Mr. Ring W. Lardner at his country place The Mange, on Great Neck's East Shore road, fell a victim on Monday to a virulent attack of writer's cramps, whereupon Mr. Lardner volunteered to write the interview himself rather than have it left out of our paper. "But please don't tell anyone I am doing it," he besought us. 'I purpose putting in a few boosts for myself and if people knew it was I, and not Miss Klein, well, wouldn't they think it was kind of soi-disant?" So we are respecting Mr. Lardner's wishes and not telling anyone but you.)

By MARJORIE KLEIN

Hardly a ma nis now alive who has not thrilled to the strains of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," that wonder song composed by our own Ring W. Lardner and indirectly responsible for his present vogue as first French horn tuotor of the municipal opera at East Roslyn.

It is in the nature of a coincidence that Mr. Lardner was rendering this melody on new musical goblets, presented to him by Miss Jane Cowl on the occasion of his glass wedding anniversary, when the representative of The Great Neck News, equipped with an Alpine stock and a set of barbed shoes belonging to my Uuncle Sage, a telephone lineman in Weehawken, frisked up the perpendicular driveway leading to his kiosk on East Shore Road.

Nordic Cree Remembers Julie, Altoona Expert.

"O, yes!" said the big Nordic cordially, when I told him my errand. "You are working on a mighty line, ditto husting, little property and I have always longed to have my name in it."

"Before I forget," I said, "did you of the war."

I asked Mr. Lardner how many of his plays has been produced. He took it good naturedly.

"The last one," he said, "must have been a darb. Zigfeld turned it down without ever seeing the man-also write the words to that beautiful thing you were just playing?"

No, no! he words were written by Bobby North and Julie Ward Howe, Julie!" He smiled reminiscently. "How that shrill could Charleston! Though, of course,' he added, glancing out the window at both his acres, "they were then calling it the Altoona instead of the Charleston, on account uscript, and in spite of the fact that we had named it after him—'Going South.' I wrote in collaboration with Gene Buck, who lives on Nassau Drive, in the Yale Bowl."

"I know the place," I said. "I got lost in his wonder living room one night and nearly died of exposure and thirst before my cries were heard or rockets seen. Now, Mr. Lardner," I continued, "tell me about your hobbies."

What's In A Name

"I have only one," replied the big Cree Indian. "That is mole snaring. You see I am the father of four stalwart, wonder kiddies and when I discovered that kiddies' overcoats were $40 the garment, I decided it was time to take radical steps. So I put up a 'No Shooting' sign on our little property and the moles swarmed here like Chevrolets to Florida. I snare them with aspirin and the madam makes coats out of their skins."

At this point Mr. Lardners little ones arrived home from school in two trucks.

"I should think," I said, "that it would take a great many moles to make one coat for any of those fellows."

"I don't snare any but giant moles," explained the famous danseuse. "The skin of two of them would make a sleeping bag for Justice Taft."

"What are your kiddies' names?" I asked.

"Pola Negri," said Mr. Lardner.

"All of them?"

"Sure!" he said. "You can't show favoritism among your own children."

"But," I remonstrated, "when you want one of them, how do you call him?"

"What's the difference?" said the handsome mine boss. "He ain't coming anyway."

"Just one more question. You have a middle initial, Mr. Lardner. What does it stand for?"

"Wonder," replied the big fellow, giving me the air.

MUST RESPECT FUNERAL LINE

Police Sound Warning As Result of Three Infractions

A warning that funeral processions must be respected and that a law exists against pedestrians or vehicles of any kind cutting through a cortege was issued Saturday by the police after three such violations had been called to their attention in the morning.

Mourners in a funeral line reported that while the stream of cars was en route to a cemetery here, it was broken at three different points by automobiles breaking through on cross streets. Two of the offenders were arrested by motorcycle officers guarding the procession but the other got away.

Thoughtlessness is ascribed as the only cause of the infraction, but police assert this will be no excuse hereafter.

Electra Woman Is Injured in Wreck

ELECTRA, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Perry Taylor, 25, was painfully injured Saturday morning when the Ford coupe she was driving turned over after a crash with a Ford touring car on Cleveland avenue. Mrs. J. C. Hinds, driven of the touring car, was unhurt.

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Early Morning Row Ends in Hospital And Fight Charge

Harry Rice, an employe of the Harmon drug store at Seventh and Ohio streets, is in the general hospital with a severe gash in the top of his head as a result of an early morning encounter Saturday with another man. J. H. McGraw was being held by the police last night and is facing a formal charge of aggravated assault as a result of the affray.

Rice, according to reports to the police, was struck over the head with a heavy glass container used in the drug store to hold soda fountain straws. At the hospital a large chunk of glass was dug from his skull and it was feared for a time that his condition was critical. He later rallied, however, and now is not believed to be seriously hurt.

The trouble started about 5:30 Saturday morning.

Lynn Funeral To Be Held Sunday

Funeral services for Herchel Lynn, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lynn will be held at 1:30 Sunday afternoon in the First Methodist church. They will be conducted by Rev. Walter Johnson, pastor of the church and later will be taken overland to Byers for burial.

The little boy was killed Thursday night near San Antonio when the automobile in which he and his father were riding ran off a bridge and overturned. Mr. Lynn, who is employed at the Perkins-Timberlake store here, was not injured.

The family home is at 2915 Avenue O.

RANGEL, HOPEFUL BACK TO PRISON

His Furlough Ended, Famed Mexican Will Now Seek a Pardon From Ma

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—General Jose M. Rangel, Mexican revolutionary leader, who has been in Fort Worth for the past two weeks enjoying for the first time in 13 years the association of his daughters, will leave Monday for Huntsville where he will again subject himself to the will of prison authorities.

Convicted of Murder

General Rangel is serving a life sentence for the murder in 1913, of Deputy Sheriff Alvarez Ortiz of Dimmitt county. Four others, members of his band, are serving long sentences in the Texas prison for their participation in the murder.

General Rangel was granted a 20-day furlough by Governor Ferguson in order that he might spend the Christmas holidays with his children. On the eve of his leaving Fort Worth for Huntsville the aged Mexican said that he still had hopes of some day receiving a pardon that he might spend his remaining years with his children and grand daughters.

Lives in Hopes

"As you Americans say: 'Where there is life there is hope,' so I guess I will just live in hopes that some day I will have my freedom," he said.

Many citizens of Waco, where General Rangel formerly lived, are circulating petitions to be presented the governor asking that he be granted a pardon.

TAX BILL

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their regular republican colleagues, or by letters from the dear people, who are most desirous that something shall be accomplished in the way of reductions before the 15 of March next rolls around and a new return and a new payment must be made to Uncle Sam.

Senate democrats say they have no desire to delay matters in any way and see no reason why a "suitable" tax reduction measure, giving even more relief than was promised by the bill which passed the house last week, cannot be put through in ample time to avoid any complications with the new tax year.

Two years ago the democrats and insurgent or progressive republican "farm bloceers" and others formed a combination in the senate to write a new tax law and they wrote it. The regular republican leaders saw the handwriting on the wall and capitulated. Today it looks very much as if history will repeat itself. Senator Furnifold Simmons, of North Carolina, ranking democrat and one-time chairman of the senate finance committee, is once more sounding the tocsins of war and once more the braves are rallying to his banner. Pretty soon the opposing forces will be lined up. There will be one or two desertions from the democratic ranks and quite a few from the republican files. "General" Simmons, leading the opposition, and "General" Reed Smoot, generalissimo of the administration army, will within a week or two know just where they are "at" and then a definite forecast of the new tax measure may be had.

May Offer New Bill.

For political as well as economical reasons the democrats will undoubtedly offer an entire bill of their own They did this two years ago and although dire things were forecast for that measure it seems to have worked out fairly well, leading the country to greater heights of prosperity and the treasury to new and decidedly pleasing surplusages.

The senate democrats have many ideas of their own own which seem to coincide with the views of their allies among the republicans. They are perfectly willing to grant a liberal reduction in the existing surtax maximum but are very likely to raise the 20 per cent maximum fixed by the house to 25 per cent. The senate democrats are desirous of granting greater reductions than the house has provided for men whose incomes reach from $20,000 to $150,000 a year—not that many democrats have such handsome incomes, but the senators feel that in these income brackets are to be found the men who are building the United States both industrially and professionally. They feel it is unfair to continue to "soak" them at comparatively high rates in order to accommodate the multi-millionaires with incomes of half a million and over.

The democrats of the senate are not satisfied with administrative features of the new bill either so there is all the making of a good fight in the senate. The house debated the new bill about four days and a half. If the senate can talk itself out in six weeks it will be well nigh a record.

GARMENT

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ing this week. The coupon is good for the children's clothes and must be presented to the driver when he calls for the clothes. If you have a child in school, get the coupon and phone any cleaner participating in the campaign.

Health authorities in the city are highly pleased over this progressive move on the part of the cleaners and dyers and predict that much good will result. Those cleaners participating in the campaign are:

Majestic Tailors, Liberty Tailors, City Laundry, W. F. Laundry, Excelsior, Wichita Hat Co., Eighth Street Tailors, Meyer Harris, Service Cleaners, Oriental Cleaners, Uneeda Cleaners, American Cleaners, Tenth Street Tailors, Wichita Cleaning and Dye Works, Avis Tailors, Floral Heights, De Luxe Cleaners, Sunshine Cleaners, Up-to-Date Cleaners, Scotch Woolen Mills, Home Tailoring, No Delay Cleaners, Dixie Tailors, Broadway Cleaners, Kemp Street Cleaners, Melrose Cleaners, Barfell Tailors, Zack Waddill, Supreme Tailors, Pond's Laundry, Model Laundry, L. Lovey, Wright & Swinney, Brewsters, Ben's Tailor Shop, Palace Tailors (colored), Pupils from colored schools are to call these tailors. Denver Tailors, Tuskegee Tailors, J. L. Crawford, Reliable Tailors, Fort Worth Street Tailors.

FAMOUS REBEL LEADER IS DEAD

Trejo, Once Doomed to Firing Squad, Dies From Step in Post Hols.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Jesus Trejo of San Antonio, who sold the republic of San Salvador its first warship, armed the Madero revolutionists in Mexico and introduced the first electric lights in the republic of Honduras, died Thursday in Saltillo, Mexico, from injuries received when he stepped in a post hole. This information was received by members of the family here today.

Trejo was one of the best known traveling salesmen who made Mexico, central America and South America. He dealt only with governments and municipalities and is said to have closed some of the largest deals of any man traveling out of the United States. He was 63 years old.

His sale of a warship to San Salvador in 1910 provided that country with its first navy. The vessel was a steamer belonging to the United Fruit company and sold to San Salvador for $100,000 and converted into a warship.

Saved From Death.

In 1921 Mr. Trejo and his son, Martin, then 21, was arrested in Nuevo Laredo on charges of being agents of Gen. Francisco Murguia, then in revolt, and both were sentenced to be shot. Through the intercession of American consul Robert and the late Col. F. A. Chapa of San Antonio a trial was had before Maj. Gen. Arnufo Gomez and both the prisoners were acquitted.

Trejo once ate a draft for $15,000 and although he afterward declared the indelible ink on the paper made him very ill, he believed it saved his life. Trejo was arrested and charged with an attempt to rescue Gen. Murguia who was in prison. He had on his person a German draft for $15,000 made payable to Jose Murguira, a brother of the general. Trejo said that he and Murguira intended to open a shoe factory in Mexico with the money, but knowing that if the draft was found on his person, it would be strong evidence against him, he ate it.

Aided Madero Revolt.

Trejo was closely identified with the revolt of Francisco Madero, who overthrew Porfirio Dias and sold Madero mony of the arms, much of the ammunition whic hthe revolt was won. He was purchasing agent for Madero in the United States until Madero was killed and then represented Carranza and Murguira, selling them arms and ammunition.

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terests. From then on, the issue between them was joined. Beneath an outward appearance of cordiality—which it must be admitted rubbed pretty thin at times—General Butler was forever prodding at the mayor to adopt his view of prohibition enforcement. His view was that the law was the law and that it should be enforced all the way up the line even if it meant clapping a padlock on every hotel, restaurant and cafe in the city, and carting the elite citieznry off to jail.

Meantime intense pressure was being brought to bear on the mayor, by personal friends as well as by politicians to put a curb on Butler's literal interpretation of the law. Every other city in the country, and even the federal government, he was reminded, was using a "little common sense" in prohibition enforcement.

Told them: "Go to Hell."

"I began to suspect the mayor's sincerity the day I took office," General Butler said an hour after he had taken his departure from city hall. "That very day, a bunch of politicians came to me and ordered me to lay off of seven saloons in which they were interested. I told them to go to hell and went to the mayor, asking him if he was going to protect me from the politicians and give me a free hand as he had promised.

"The mayor scratched his head, hemmed and bawed a little and said: "'Well, now we'll have to adjust that.'

"From that time on I kept a record of every conference I had with him and I've got plenty of evidence."

Shows "Evidence."

Butler released part of his "evidence" as a parting shot at the mayor an hour after his dismissal. It consisted chiefly of unanswered letters he had written the mayor, urging support in his plan to padlock the Ritz-Carlton hotel for alleged failure to enforce the prohibition law on its premises and to revoke the dance hall licenses of the Bellevue Stratford and the Walton for the same alleged reasons. The rest of the broadside consisted of records of conversations with the mayor in which he attributed to Mr. Kendrick such remarks as these:

"If you would stop going after these big investments (the hotels) and have the police on the streets, there would be less robberies."

"Lay Off the Big Places."

"You have got to lay off these big places. There is a difference between a seven million dollar investment and cheap places with blackmail people."

General Butler attributes his dismissal directly to his insistence on proceeding against the big hotels and to his intimation to the mayor that if he couldn't get support from him, he would take the matter to the state attorney general.

Mayor Kendrick attributes it to General Butler's "lack of respect" and his lack of "harmony" both of which charges seem pretty well substantiated by the record of the past two years.

But back of both explanations stands the smiling, rubicund figure of John Barleycorn—battered and buffeted by Mashing Smedley, but still unbowed.

"Can prohibition be enforced?" General Butler was asked. The general laughed a loud but mirthless laugh and replied:

"Ask the mayor."

ASKS U. S. AID IN MAKING SUGAR FROM ARTICHOKES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP) Aid of the federal government in commercial production of sugar from artichokes was urged today by Senator Howell, republican, Nebraska, during a conference with President Coolidge.