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TAX BILL FIRST BEFORE CONGRESS

CHARGES GRAND JURY INVESTIGATE GOVERNOR

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 7.—Judge J. R. Hamilton, of the district court in session here, charged the Travis county grand jury to probe all officers from the governor down to justice of the peace. A sweeping investigation was urged by Judge Hamilton in his charge to the grand jury.

Judge Hamilton also charged the grand jury to take up and continue all unfinished business carried over from the last grand jury. Included in the unfinished business is the record of two months' investigation of the State Highway Department by the former grand jury.

The records of the former investigation were turned over to the attorney general and the district attorney when the last grand jury adjourned ten days ago.

AUSTIN, Dec. 7.—The suit against the Sherman-Youmans Construction Company for cancellation of certain highway contracts in Harris and Galveston counties was set for trial in the district court here today for January 4th.

L. A. Youmans, head of the company, made the announcement following a conference with Attorney General Moody, who instituted the suit, that Moody seeks to recover the present payment of approximately \$80,000.

SHIPPERS PROTEST HIGH FREIGHT RATE

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, Dec. 7.—A united front against any raise in freight rates, with Texas cattle and agricultural interests and demanding a decrease was presented here today by the Southwest shippers at the Interstate Commerce Commission hearing on the proposed five per cent rate increase by the Western railroads.

The hearing also involves a sweeping rate structure investigation which was recently ordered by the commission.

STEALS RADIATOR BUT LEAVES CAR

A thief entered the garage of E. Rayburn Sunday night and stole the radiator from his Ford car. The thief, it is believed, was forced to work probably an hour to get the radiator off.

Aside from stealing a bundle of laundry in the car and the radiator the thief did not molest anything else.

TEXAS LEADS NATION IN DIVORCES GRANTED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, December 7.—More persons were untied by divorce and fewer tied by marriage in the United States last year than in 1923. The ratio of divorces was nearly one for every ten marriages.

The Department of Commerce which compiles these figures every year on a comparative popularity of the two institutions announced today that the total of marriages last year was 1,178,206, falling off some 3.7 per cent from 1923, the total for that year being 1,223,924. Divorces registered a grand total of 170,867, which was an increase of 3.5 per cent over 1923, when the figures amounted

84 AUTO DEATHS IS WEEK'S TOTAL

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Eighty-four deaths from automobile accidents were reported in nine mid-western states last week. Of this number there were nine deaths in Texas from auto accidents.

THIRTY-FOUR NEGROES ARE PLACED IN JAIL

The Coleman county jail was well occupied Sunday night. Every available suite was occupied and rooms with bath were in demand. Thirty-four negroes were taken in a raid of the flat and were incarcerated and charged with vagrancy, being drunk and gambling. Most of them paid off or made bond Monday and were released to make room for a waiting list.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

PEACE OFFICERS TO MEET IN COLEMAN

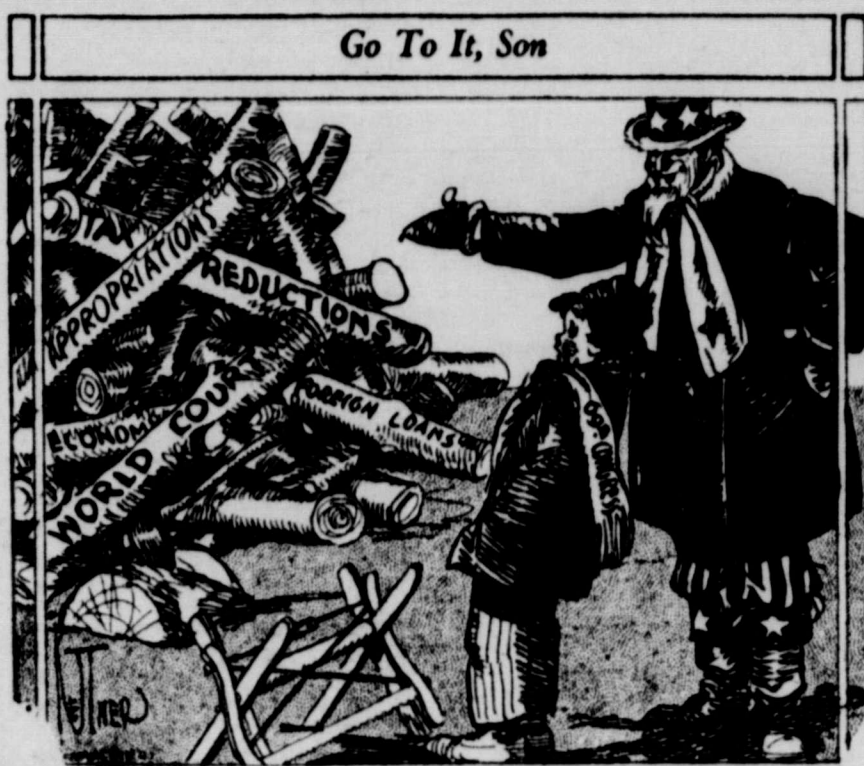
The West Texas Sheriff's Association will convene in Coleman next Friday morning, and about 150 peace officers from various counties in this part of the state are expected to attend. Luncheon will be served to the officers in the basement of the First Christian Church, citizens to aid the Coleman officers in entertaining the visitors.

Great reduction in Ivory Goods and Manicure Sets. L. R. Tigner. 7-1td

COOLIDGE TO TALK FARMERS

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—President Coolidge arrived in Chicago today for the purpose of addressing the American Farm Bureau Federation. The president and Mrs. Coolidge rode to their hotel in an automobile, with O. S. Bradfute, president of the Farm Bureau, accompanying them from the station to the hotel.

The friendly president removed his silk hat in recognition of the enthusiastic greetings along the route.



STEPHENS BUYS CHASES THIEVES; IVORY INTEREST RECOVERS TURKS

Willie Stephens will retire from the Currie Mercantile Company on January 1st, having sold his interest in that grocery company to W. B. Currie, the senior member of the firm. Mr. Stephens will immediately become associated with The Ivory, and will engage in the racket and novelty business. He has purchased the interest of Dr. A. S. Love in The Ivory.

In buying an interest in The Ivory, Mr. Stephens will be associated with his sister, Mrs. Odie Barrington, who has been one of the owners of the store for several years. Dr. Love is selling his interest in the business to Mr. Stephens.

Mr. Stephens has been engaged in the grocery business since the Currie Mercantile Company was organized, and has many friends and patrons of that business who will regret to learn that he is retiring, but will be glad to know that he is to remain in business here. He has been considering a change for some time, and it has been brought about by mutual agreement and what is considered for the best interests of all parties concerned.

The Currie Mercantile Company will move from their present stand to the new stand on Seventh Street on January 1st, and in the meantime they will inaugurate a special sale in order to reduce their stock of groceries.

RED GRANGE TO GO IN MOVIES

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Red Grange, football star, signed a motion picture contract today under the terms of which he receives at once a flat guarantee of \$300,000 for his first and second productions.

BROCK SELLS HOME AND BUYS ANOTHER

A. F. Brock sold his home on Ninth Street Saturday to E. F. Batts. Mr. Brock immediately purchased the Pritchett house on Broadway next door to the Mike Boyd residence, and plans to move to his new home at once. Mr. Batts will occupy the Ninth Street place as soon as Mr. Brock vacates.

Mr. Brock stated that he would do considerable improving at his new home and that he expected to make it an ideal home when he had completed the work he intended doing.

Be wise and advertise.

Two thieves had a close call Sunday night when they raided the turkey roost at the home of Jasper Smith on the Joe Routh place East of Ballinger.

Mr. Smith also had a close call in the loss of eight big turkey toms, but with the aid of his dog and a shot gun he saved his birds.

After the family had retired, and about 10:00 o'clock Sunday night, Mr. Smith was attracted by his dog charging back and forth towards the poultry house, and he soon discovered that something was wrong. Grabbing his shot-gun and in his bare feet, he hurried to the scene of commotion. The dog chased the thieves away, and Mr. Smith could not get sight of them nor get close enough to shoot.

A short distance from the poultry roost, Mr. Smith found six turkeys tied up in sacks, and following the dog he later found two more turkeys with their feet tied together. This indicated that he was on a hot trail of the thieves and caused them to drop their booty. He recovered the eight turkeys, which were all that were missing.

Mr. Smith says that he will return the sacks to the parties if they will call at his home. He stated that after chasing the thieves away and recovering his turkeys, he put in the rest of the night picking prickly pear thorns out of his feet. He will no doubt see that his dog gets turkey for Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Gregory came down from San Angelo for a Sunday visit with relatives.

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(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Congress came back into session today after the longest recess in many years.

With the opening ceremony at noon the big Republican majority which was rolled up in the Coolidge landslide of 1924, took the saddle in both the Senate and the House, but kept a weather eye on the Democrats and insurgents, who are again threatening coalition against some of the pet projects of the Coolidge administration.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—The new revenue bill proposing a slash of \$325,726,000 in taxes during the next calendar year, and providing relief for virtually every federal tax payer, was reported to the House today as the first legislative business presented to the new congress.

In presenting the report, Chairman Green of the House ways and means committee, which drafted the measure during the seven weeks pre-congress session, served notice that he would ask the House to take up the tax reduction measure tomorrow, and work under a plan to send it to the Senate before the end of the second week of the new session.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Facing a crash of legislation and many bitter controversies, the Sixty-ninth Congress assembled today for its first and long session.

Organization was the first work before the House, but the Senate machinery was ready to function, the organization having been perfected at the special session held last March.

The Republican slate in the House, with Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, as Speaker, and John Q. Tilson of Connecticut, as floor leader, had been selected months ago and waited only a formal vote of the membership for final approval.

After President Coolidge's annual message has been transmitted, probably tomorrow, the House will get down to work immediately, giving first consideration to the tax revision bill which it plans to send to the Senate before the Christmas holidays.

This measure is the major one with which Congress will deal at this session, but other important legislation will include farm re-

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CONSIDERABLE TRADING
HERE ON FIRST MONDAY

The first Monday "trades day" which was established here more than twenty years ago, is still being observed, although not on such a big scale as in the pre-Volstead days. There was quite a crowd on the trades grounds here Monday and there was considerable horse swapping, buying and selling.

Business among the merchants was also pretty good Monday.

BROWNWOOD MAYOR
IN AUTO WRECK

Mayor Fred Abney, of Brownwood, was here Sunday en route home from the Northern part of the county, where he had been to look after some property interests. Mayor Abney left his automobile at Winters for repairs after being smashed into by another motorist, who turned him over and damaged the machine.

LITTLE GIRL GETS REWARD
OF \$100 FOR FINDING RING

(Coleman Democrat-Voice)

The \$1800 diamond ring Harry Thomson lost from his finger several weeks ago was recovered last Friday afternoon. It was found in an empty sack that had contained potatoes, purchased from the Self-Save Groceries during a Saturday rush. It was found by one of Geo. Hipsher's little girls early Friday afternoon and delivered to the rightful owner later the same day. As soon as the ring was found one of the Hipsher children telephoned the news to Mr. Thomson. It furnished a thrill, but Mr. Thomson could not believe it was his ring. A few minutes later the finder appeared at the store and presented the found article. It was the ring and the little girl received the \$100 reward.

The history of the loss and search for the ring has been watched with interest by local people. It was thought that it had been slipped from the owner's finger by a Saturday purchaser. A party was suspected and search of a home was made by the sheriff's department. Later the accused was incarcerated in the local jail, but no confession was ever made. Still later a detective was employed and assigned to the case. A man and wife were placed in jail but refused to talk. While the detective was still at work on the case the ring was found, returned to Mr. Thomson and the reward paid.

FOOTBALL GAME
HERE FRIDAY

The first independent football game of the season will be played here Friday afternoon at Fair Park when the Ballinger team meets a fast independent team from Coleman. Coleman met Mason on the latter's grounds last week and played to a scoreless tie. The Colemanites have been in training for some time, are well coached, and some of the late leading college stars will take part in the game.

Members of the Ballinger team have been training hard for the past two weeks and are showing up like a real team. Men on the eleven have had college and university experience and are still in shape to carry the pigskin down the field against strong opposition.

Those coaching the local team announce that nobody is barred, and they invite anyone who ever played football to come out and work for the team. Owing to lack of training only a few men will be able to play a full game and many substitutes will be needed.

The probable starting line-up for the Ballinger team will be: Earnshaw, center; LeRoy Nicholson, right guard; Horace Murphy, right tackle; Morris Nicholson, right end; Roy Mack, left guard; Pat Wood, left tackle; S. F. Moore, left end; Ivan Oliver, quarterback; Hodge, left half back; Simmons, right half back; M. Flynt, full back.

A number of other men are whipping into shape and will be ready to step in and take anyone's place who gets knocked out.

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EMILY WATERMAN,
ENTERTAINER

Miss Emily Waterman has long been recognized as one of the platform's few really great readers. Much of the program which she will give on our Lyceum course is screamingly funny and keeps her audience in a state of laughter, but there is also a serious trend in her work that will appeal to everyone.

Ballinger High School Auditorium
December 12th

Proceeds of this performance will go to the Central Ward School for purchasing a Victrola.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dunn and daughter, Miss Alice, came in Saturday night from Artesia, New Mexico. After a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Black they will go to Belton for a visit with relatives, and from there to Texas City to visit Mr. Dunn's brother. Mr. Dunn is a brother of Mrs. Black, and Mrs. Dunn is a sister of Mr. Black. Mr. Dunn reports that Artesia is on somewhat of a healthy growth as a result of the oil development.

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J. O. Phelps, one of The Ledger's good friends from the Winters country, was looking after business in Ballinger Monday. He reported that he still had a bale or two of cotton to pick.

Mrs. W. B. Halley, Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star, and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Deputy Grand Matron of the order for this district, returned home Saturday night from a visit to a number of Eastern Star chapters in the Western part of the state. They visited Marfa, Alpine, Ozona, Fort Stockton, and other places.

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Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Swindell returned home Saturday night from Mineral Wells, where they attended the general convention of the Baptist Church. Dr. Swindell was named as a member of the state executive board of the Baptist Convention of Texas.

H. C. Hedges, of the Tennyson country, was looking after business in Ballinger Saturday, and took advantage of The Ledger's clubbing offer, subscribing for the paper for a period of five years. Mr. Hedges says he is going to have the paper, and saves by taking of a five-year subscription.

WHEAT—100,000 acres of wheat have so far been planted in Hale county according to estimates of the Harvest Queen Mills here. This represents an increase of 10 per cent over last year's plantings.

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2. Materials. Trying to save on first cost by using cheap, inferior materials, always proves costly in the end. It is the most unwise of all courses to take. Buy materials that will last.

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Movies

Percy Marmont in Best Role in "Street of Forgotten Men"

Percy Marmont gives one of the greatest character portrayals of his career in the role of "Easy Money" Charlie in "The Street of Forgotten Men," which is Herbert Brenon's newest production for Paramount. The story deals with a petty panhandler who adopts a little girl and brings her up in ignorance of his profession, only to see the one fine thing in his life threatened with ruin thru the evil plotting of his fellow crooks.

George Kibbe Turner, who wrote the story for Liberty Magazine has created an unusual and exceptionally interesting character in Easy Money Charlie. Most of the dramatic action of the story is laid in a dive near the Bowery to which flock the hopeless, battered wrecks whom life has forgotten—a novel background against which Charlie and the girl stand out appealingly.

In such a role, Percy Marmont is in his element. Here he is seen as a beaten, hopeless wanderer, forced by circumstance into a life of petty crookedness which almost buries the idealism which he had hoped to use in bettering the world in general. Then with dramatic suddenness, he becomes the guardian of a small girl. To bring her up like a lady, he is forced to remain in the surroundings he despises and to keep her in ignorance of his profession. When she reaches womanhood he falls in love with her; but this, too, he is forced to conceal and, by shamming death, he leaves her free to marry a young man in her own sphere of life.

Featured with Marmont in the cast of the production, which will be the feature at the Queen Theatre today and Tuesday, are Neil Hamilton and Mary Brian.

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T. V. Watts, Lamesa, appendicitis and nerve trouble.

Mrs. H.G. Hill, Big Spring, eczema.

Mrs. D. D. David, Hebbronville, female trouble and backaches.

M. T. Bantan, Dundee, ulcer of stomach.

M. G. Blankenship, Westover, stomach and bowel trouble.

Walter Stolte, Marion, heart trouble.

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Helen Holmes at Maeroy Today and Tomorrow

The loss of a mysterious parcel from the express car of the Overland Limited, for which a reward of \$100,000 is offered, forms the underlying motif of Helen Holmes' latest railroad melodrama, "The Open Switch," which opens a two-day run at the Maeroy Theatre today.

Simultaneously with the discovery of the parcel's hiding place by Helen Holmes, disguised as a woman car cleaner, the heroine falls in love with Jack Perrin, portraying the role of an engine fireman, saves his life at the risk of her own, and otherwise disports herself in thrillingly tight places as only Helen Holmes is capable of.

Rev. M. C. Golden, Mrs. Hill Jackson, Mrs. N. J. Morgan, Mrs. Mattie Holliday and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bridwell were among those returning home from the Baptist convention at Mineral Wells, Saturday.

Tax Bill is First Before Congress

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to relief of homesteaders in Western states.

The coal situation is one which has given concern to senators and representatives from a number of states, particularly New England and New York. It is expected to become an early subject of debate with demands that the government take some action as the severe winter months approach.

Another subject which will furnish the vehicle for much discussion and possibly investigation is the disagreement between President Coolidge and the Shipping Board over the method of management of the government merchant fleet.

The settlement made with Belgium and Italy for the funding of their war debts also will come in for disapproval in both houses, but administration leaders feel confident that they eventually will be approved.

During the session each house has three contests for seats to investigate and the Senate must give early decision on the seating of Gerald P. Nye, appointed by Governor Sorlie of North Dakota to succeed the late Edwin F. Ladd. Should the Senate hold the governor made the appointment without authority of law Mr. Nye would not be entitled to his seat.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Amendments to the Federal land laws for the territory of Alaska to permit leasing of public lands for fox farming and reindeer grazing were recommended to the Secretary of the Interior today in the annual report of George A. Parks, Governor of Alaska.

With fox farming already ranking as one of the territory's chief industries, the report declared it was necessary that the government permit the use of public lands for this purpose in order to encourage the territory's development. Leasing of lands for reindeer grazing, it was added, would do much to protect the reindeer in their ranges.

A four percent increase in the value of the territory's fisheries, despite the government's curtailment of the fishing season, was noted in the report. A gradual resumption of mining, both placer and lode, was apparent in all the districts and gold production during the year exceeded that for the previous twelve months.

The territory looks with interest on the possibility of shipping reindeer to other countries as meat by use of the modern refrigerating facilities, the report said, adding that the barren portions of the country were adequate as grazing grounds for 4,000,000 reindeer.

The need for medical aid and hospital facilities in the Yukon district was emphasized, with the recommendation that a small motor boat be equipped as a floating

clinic to supply medical relief to interior points.

Other recommendations were for amendment of the present law which limits the number of trade and manufacturing sites that may be acquired by an individual or corporation, and:

Amendment of the homestead laws to permit surveys of boundary lines on other than cardinal courses.

That boundaries and land districts be changed to conform to judicial divisions.

Construction of an administration building in Juneau.

Allotment of a part of the revenues from the seal islands to a fund for the support and maintenance of the public schools.

Repeal of the law restricting the number of placer mining claims that may be located by an individual corporation.

Creation of a constabulary or territorial police responsible for law enforcement in the territory to replace the eight organizations now in existence.

Legislation that will authorize the issuance of patents for town lots to natives.

Allotment of funds for Topographic surveys under the act of February 27, 1925.

That the work carried on by the Bureau of Mines under the appropriation for mining investigations be continued and that authority be obtained for a cooperative agreement between the Federal government and the territory whereby the latter's funds for mining investigations may be expended by Federal agents.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Work on the country's rivers, harbors, and waterways during the year beginning July 1 next, will require \$65,980,065, in the opinion of the War Department.

Recommendations for appropriations for the various projects were made to Congress today by Major General H. Taylor, chief of engineers of the Army, under whose direction this work is carried on, in his annual report submitted with the Government's 1927 fiscal year estimates.

Expenditures for the last fiscal year amounted to \$69,882,028, and for the current year Congress made a lump appropriation of \$40,000,000, of which \$35,070,085 has been allotted.

The report shows that harbors under improvement during the last fiscal year numbered 199, rivers being improved, 284, and canals and waterways, 53. The commerce reported amounted in the aggregate to 453,700,000 tons, valued at \$22,115,000,000, and the transportation of 322,565,379 passengers.

For general river and harbor work for the coming fiscal year, which begins July 1, 1926, the chief of engineers says \$55,062,065 can be profitably expended. The remaining \$10,918,000 asked for is to go for flood control, surveys, and other specific purposes.

The Mississippi river is recommended for the largest share. For that river, including the work of the Mississippi River Commission, a total of \$13,965,800 is asked.

New York harbor and the waters in its vicinity require \$8,211,000, the Ohio River \$6,830,000, Philadelphia and the Delaware River \$4,515,000, the Missouri River \$1,646,850, the Hudson River in the vicinity of Albany and Troy \$1,400,000, the Louisiana-Texas Intracoastal waterway between the Mississippi River and Galveston Bay \$2,000,000, and the Sabine-Neches waterway \$1,411,000.

Harbors for which the large appropriations are asked include: Boston \$200,000, Norfolk \$529,000, Savannah \$654,960, Miami \$662,000, Mobile \$555,000, Galveston and vicinity and the Houston ship canal \$1,145,000, Freeport, Tex., \$575,000, Port Aransas and the channel to Corpus Christi \$1,225,000, Milwaukee \$850,000, Muskegon, Mich., \$225,000, Frankfort, Mich., \$511,500, Chicago \$129,000, San Diego, Calif., \$149,000; Los Angeles \$1,600,000, San Francisco \$110,000, Oakland \$310,000, Honolulu \$538,000, Coos Bay, Ore., \$600,000, Nawiliwili \$400,000, Honolulu 149,500, and San Juan, P. R. \$127,485.

NO ORDERS FOR ENGRAVED CARDS AFTER DEC. 12TH

Persons wanting Christmas cards should place their orders no later than the 12th and if possible before that time. The engravers have sent out the warning that they now have orders which will keep them busy night and day for the next two weeks, and that orders received after the 15th will not be guaranteed for delivery before Christmas. We urge our patrons to act now, give us your orders this week if possible, or phone 27 and we will call in person.

BALLINGER PRINTING CO. 3-31d

Ledger want ads pay

QUEEN THEATRE

Not Occasionally, But Always

Today and Tuesday

"THE STREET OF FORGOTTEN MEN"

a HERBERT BRENON Production
PERCY MARMONT NEIL HAMILTON
MARY BRIAN
A Paramount Picture

A remarkable romance of the underworld. The story of a Bowery Cinderella whose life was strangely linked with a beggar and a young millionaire.

Also An Earl Hurd Comedy

"TWO CATS AND A BIRD"

10c—ADMISSION 30c

MAEROY THEATRE

TODAY AND TUESDAY

HELEN HOLMES IN

"The Open Switch"

A thundering drama of the roaring rails.

Helen Holmes' latest and most thrilling picture of her whole career.

Also a Two Reel Comedy

"STRAIGHT AND NARROW"

10c—ADMISSION 25c

You've Everything to Gain By Good Appearance

Good clothes never kept a man back—they never hindered his progress or hurt his opportunity for success. Most men show respect for the man who shows respect for himself—that's human nature everywhere.

Your outer garments should be thoroughly cleaned and pressed at regular intervals. Our modern cleaning plant and up-to-date methods are a proven success. Highly trained employees in every department. Prompt deliveries anywhere in the city.

Have Your Hat Cleaned and Blocked.

Cleaning and Pressing

J. L. Hardin & Co.

Next Door to City Hall

Phone 196



TO THOSE who are bereaved of loved ones, no service is so essential as that of the funeral director!

To be assured of an efficient service, rendered in a sympathetic manner, is a consolation and relief.

Fortunately, it is not often that the funeral director is needed, but when that time comes, he is indeed a very necessary factor.

At such a crisis, we are ready at any hour of the day or night to heed your call.

E. E. KING and J. A. OSTERTAG
Funeral Directors
King-Holt Furniture & Undertaking Co.

for Xmas

King's Chocolates
For American Queens

Will you permit us to assist you in the selection of your Christmas gifts?

King's Chocolates are the preferred Christmas gift—appropriate for anyone and appreciated by everyone.

Here at our store you will find all the exquisite King confections in handsome gift packages. Never before have we offered such a complete line of these superb chocolates—in such exceptionally beautiful Holiday packages.

Make your selections early. Drop in and place your Christmas orders now or, if you like, order by telephone. Candy sent by Parcel Post to any address.

A handsome engraved Xmas Card with each package

Strain Drug Company

Death of Mona Lisa Thief Draws Crowds to Picture (By Associated Press)

PARIS, Dec. 7.—Interest in Mona Lisa, the Leonardo da Vinci painting which was stolen years ago from the Louvre, has been intensified by the announcement that the thief died near Varese, Italy.

Curious crowds of visitors stand about the celebrated picture, which now is heavily framed under thick glass. It receives more attention from casual visitors than any other painting in the Louvre.

EYE TROUBLE? TRY CAMPHOR MIXTURE

For eye trouble there is nothing better than camphor, hydrastis, witch-hazel, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash. One business man says it relieves aching eyes and improves sight. Another man, with red, watery eyes reports that Lavoptik helped wonderfully. One small bottle usually relieves ANY CASE weak, strained or sore eyes. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shepperd, of San Angelo, were visitors to Ballinger Sunday afternoon. Mr. Shepperd was formerly employed by The Ledger, and is now with the San Angelo Standard as linotype operator.

Berlin Mayor Boosts City as Attraction to Tourists (By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Lord Mayor Gustav Boess has interested himself in the task of restoring Berlin to its pre-war status as a tourist center.

To this end, a municipal travel bureau, which not only interests people into coming to Berlin, but assists them in finding rooms, arranging visits and reserves theatre tickets.

It was he who conceived the idea of erecting a series of fair or exposition buildings on the West end of the city and who pushed the plan for a national sportforum.

The lord mayor also has been engaged in a struggle with the Prussian minister of the interior to permit restaurants, dance halls and other places of amusement to remain open all night.

J. A. Patterson and daughters, Thelma, Clara and Edna, of Valley Creek; and E. W. Patterson and daughter, Hallie, of Winters, recently attended the annual wedding anniversary celebration of the Patterson brothers' father and mother at Adamsville, Texas. There were about one hundred relatives and friends present at the family reunion.

Be wise and advertise.

GOOD WILL

One of the most valuable of the assets this bank possesses is the confidence and the friendship of its depositors.

We invite accounts of firms and individuals.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS
BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS

STRICTLY A BANKING INSTITUTION

WEDDING BELLS

Lange-Smith

Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock Walter Lange and Miss Margarette Smith were quietly united in marriage in the maunse of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, Rev. Alvin O. Rue performing the ceremony.

Mr. Lange is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Lange, a prominent family of the Benoit community. Miss Smith is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Smith, who reside near Ballinger, and is a graduate of the 1924 class of the Ballinger high school.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lange left for San Angelo. After their honeymoon they will make their home on Mr. Lange's ranch. The many friends of this happy young couple extend congratulations and very best wishes for the future.

Green-Ward

Saturday afternoon Rev. Rue spoke the words which made Hollis L. Green and Miss Lovene Ward, of San Angelo, man and wife. They appeared at the maunse in an auto and requested the minister to perform the ceremony.

NOSE CLOGGED FROM A COLD OR CATARRH

Apply Cream in Nostrils To
Open Up Air Passages.

Ah! What relief! Your clogged nostrils open right up, the air passages of your head are clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, mucous discharge, headache, dryness—no struggling for breath at night, your cold or catarrh is gone.

Don't stay stuffed up! Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Ely's Cream Balm is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer has been seeking. It's just splendid.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

WANT ADS 25c up to 12 words over that 2c per word first insertion. 1c per word each additional insertion. All want ads are cash.

FOR SALE—Two span of unbroken mules. \$100. per span. L. C. Tomlinson, Norton, Texas, 11-31w

FOR SALE—My farm consisting of 150 acres. One hundred acres in cultivation, 6 miles east of Ballinger. Good house and barn. Possession given at any time. B. E. Kelley, Ballinger, Texas, 3rd-21w*

FOR SALE—Jersey Cows, fresh in milk. R. T. Williams or J. S. Selden, 7-14d-11w

FOR SALE—1925 Ford Coupe, balloon tires. Also Overland sedan. Can be seen at Sykes Overland Co. J. M. Curry, 5-21d

FOR RENT—Good bed rooms, close in, modern conveniences. Phone 179. 21-14d*

O. R. Lasater, M. D.

General Practice

Glasses Fitted

Office over Pearce Drug Co.

Home Phone 204 Office Phone 43

DR. F. M. HALE, M. D.

General Practice

Special Attention Given to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

Glasses Properly Fitted

Office F. & M. Bank Bldg.

Dr. R. F. Zedlitz

Veterinarian

Residence Phone 1336

Office at Weeks Drug Store

"IN OLD VIENNA"

Thursday and Friday Evenings

Seat sale opens Tuesday, Dec. 8th, at Strain Drug Store.

There will be a chorus of 24 pretty girls, dancing, solo and chorus number features.

The musical comedy includes all of the elements necessary for a real evening's entertainment. The humorous lines and situations will delight and the music is sure to please.

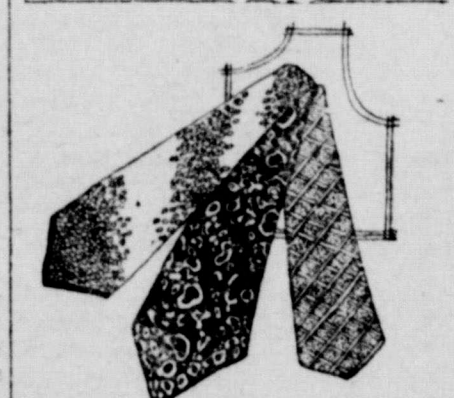
Hans Maier (Allen Mason), the owner of Wurtzelpraeter Inn, is very busy making preparations for the carnival and the arrival of Lady Vivian DeLancey (Ione Herring). Mr. Jones (Carlos Black), an advertising expert from America, who had made Pennington Pickles famous all over the world, is spending his vacation in Vienna, where he meets Arthur Crefont, an artist (John I. Guion Jr.), and learns from him that Mr. Pennington (John Currie Odom), and daughter June (Ruth Holliday), will arrive in Vienna today. Mr. Pennington is trying to find rest where he will never hear of "Peter Piper Pickles."

The situations are funny and clever when he meets Mr. Jones, his advertising expert.

Jigo, a Gypsy chieftain, (Clarence McCarver), leads his band of thieves and commands his daughter Hona (Maxine Russell), to rob Mr. Jones. She refuses and through the clever work of Capt. Kinski, chief of the detective bureau of Vienna (Crews Alexander), assisted by the two faithful sleuths Bumski (Lon Woodson) and Rumski (Donell Macene), bring the play to a climax, and Louisa, a waitress (Henrietta Guion), will make the walls of the new school rock with laughter.

Be a booster and see the play either Thursday or Friday evening and help the school buy a new piano for their new auditorium and enjoy a good evening's entertainment. 11d

NEURALGIA
orchestrate—rub the forehead
—melt and inhale the vapors
VICKS
VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly



"Every Little Bit Added to What You've Got—"

Of course, appearance is not the only thing, but it's one very important factor in a personality.

That's the reason we maintain that better wearing apparel pays.

A New Necktie —especially one of these new silks at \$1—will be "a little bit added."

--sox to match can be found here also.



Cleaning and Pressing

Buy that O'Coat Now

Thorp & Cohen

Phone 63

SCORES OF PRETTY GIRLS IN COMEDY

Next Thursday and Friday evenings there will be scores of pretty girls in "In Old Vienna," and the Gypsy strutters, steppers and Viennese maidens will make you forget your troubles and your business worries by taking you to the land of Old Vienna, where life is a jubilee and anything but gaiety is folly.

Choruses are as follows:

Strutters—Frances Harvey, Bea Boyd, Nettie Routh Sledge, Helen Williams, Verda Nell Trail, Dovie Armstrong

Viennese Maidens—Anna Beth Alexander, Kathleen Holloway, Marguerite Truly, Wilma Straley, Evelyn Shepherd, La Vienne Sims

Steppers—Ethel Kemp, Nell Russell, Marguerite Kubela, Marguerite Cordill, Ethel Layton, Mayme Ruth Gressett

Gypsy Maidens—Ollie Mae Tel-

lus, Wyvon Mason, Cordelia Batts, Coilla Mason.

HOW'S THIS?

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. It consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus restoring normal conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE as a Blood Purifier gives wonderful results. Sold by druggists for over 40 years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Royal Neighbors

Harmony Camp Royal Neighbors will hold an important meeting at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night. There will be a class of candidates to adopt, and all members are urged to be present.

Mrs. Abby Pogue, Recorder.

Mrs. R. P. Conn, son C. B., and daughter, Miss Doris, of San Antonio, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends.

Safety Deposit Boxes

Insurance Policies, Notes, Stocks, Bonds, Mortgages and Heirlooms are rarely safe at home or in your office desk.

It would be costly to replace some of them—loss of others would be irreparable.

Our boxes are so constructed that two keys are necessary to unlock them—the owner's key and the master key held by our bank.

This is the cheapest form of insurance against loss of your valuables.

Rental only \$3.00 a year.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BALLINGER

Since 1886

C. R. CREWS

HOME PHONE 99

BUSINESS PHONE 96

C. G. JENNINGS

HOME PHONE 1248

BUSINESS PHONE 96

Licensed Embalmers and Funeral Directors

Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

We Are Showing a Complete Line of

HOLIDAY GOODS



At the Most Reasonable Prices You Will Find.

Twin Dolls at \$6.00
Sleepy Dolls \$3.50
Other Dolls \$3.00, \$2.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00
Doll Buggies \$4.75
Doll Sulkies \$1.00
Ford Touring Cars, Sedans, Coupes and Fordson Tractors 50c, 60c and 75c.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY
Beautiful Curly Haired Sleepy Doll
regular value \$5.50 **\$3.50**

Inquire About the FREE DOLL AND BUGGY!

The Necessity Shop

TIRES

Must Go at Some Price Before January 1st

All standard tires, no junk. Prices from \$7.50 up. Will take your old ones.

100 storage batteries, rubber case, guaranteed here for one year at \$13.00.

Closing out our stock of radios from \$12.50 up. Radio batteries 22 1-2 volts \$1.95. 45 volts \$2.95.

We recharge any battery made for 50c. Complete stock of genuine Ford parts. Repairing of all kinds.

Ethylene Gas is guaranteed to go more miles, no extra cost.

W. A. NANCE

Wholesale and Retail

Opposite Court House Lawn

Telephone 109