

THE WEATHER.

West Texas—Tonight and Wednesday cloudy, probably rain or snow in south, slowly rising temperature.

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BOY 17, BEING SOUGHT AS SLAYER OF GIRL

WHERE THE PULL IS EQUAL THE LAW PREVAILS

Thus Does Witness Describe Activities of Supreme Court Of Oklahoma.

By United Press.
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 20.—Where the pull is equal the law prevails, with the Oklahoma supreme court, representative D. C. Hybarger told Chief Justice Fred P. Branson of the court when questioned today in public hearing why impeachment charges were voted against Branson. Hybarger, legislator and first witness in the informal district court hearing brought by Branson to take deposition on how and why impeachment charges were voted against him, told Branson he had voted for the charges.

"Did you think only the chief justice should be impeached and not the other seven members?" Chief justice Branson asked.

"They seemed to think the whole court pretty rotten," Hybarger answered.

Oil Man Who Died In New York Well Known In Ranger

Friends in Ranger of Henry Mahlstadt, 38, operator and president of the Mahlstadt Oil company, which operated here during the boom and still has extensive interests in Eastland county, are deeply regretting his death, which occurred in New York Saturday afternoon.

Mahlstadt lived in Ranger during the boom and since that time has been a frequent visitor here. He was also vice president of the Longhart Supply company, which maintains office and warehouse in Ranger.

Floyd Johnson, brother of D. W. Johnson of Ranger, who is vice president and general manager of the Mahlstadt Oil company, left Fort Worth for New York to attend the funeral.

CHURCH GOING TOPIC SUBJECT OF DEBATE

By United Press.
NEW YORK—A unique debate on the subject of "why I do not go to church" and "why I do go to church" between Edgar A. Guest of Detroit and W. O. Saunders of Elizabeth City, N. C., has just been completed at the long range of 1,500 miles.

Neither debater will know the arguments of his opponent until the American Magazine appears tomorrow. The arguments will appear side by side in the publication.

Saunders, one of the best known country editors in America, took the negative side of the question and presented a case which is designed to cover all phases of the age old discussion. Guest, noted poet and philosopher, champions the church-going side from all angles. "I would not want to live in a state or nation where there are no churches nor church-goers," he declares in opening. Saunders, on the other hand, holds that he has repeatedly tried to feel the "call" of religion as defined in the churches but that he has experienced no such appeal.

AVIATORS FAIL TO LOWER ENDURANCE RECORD

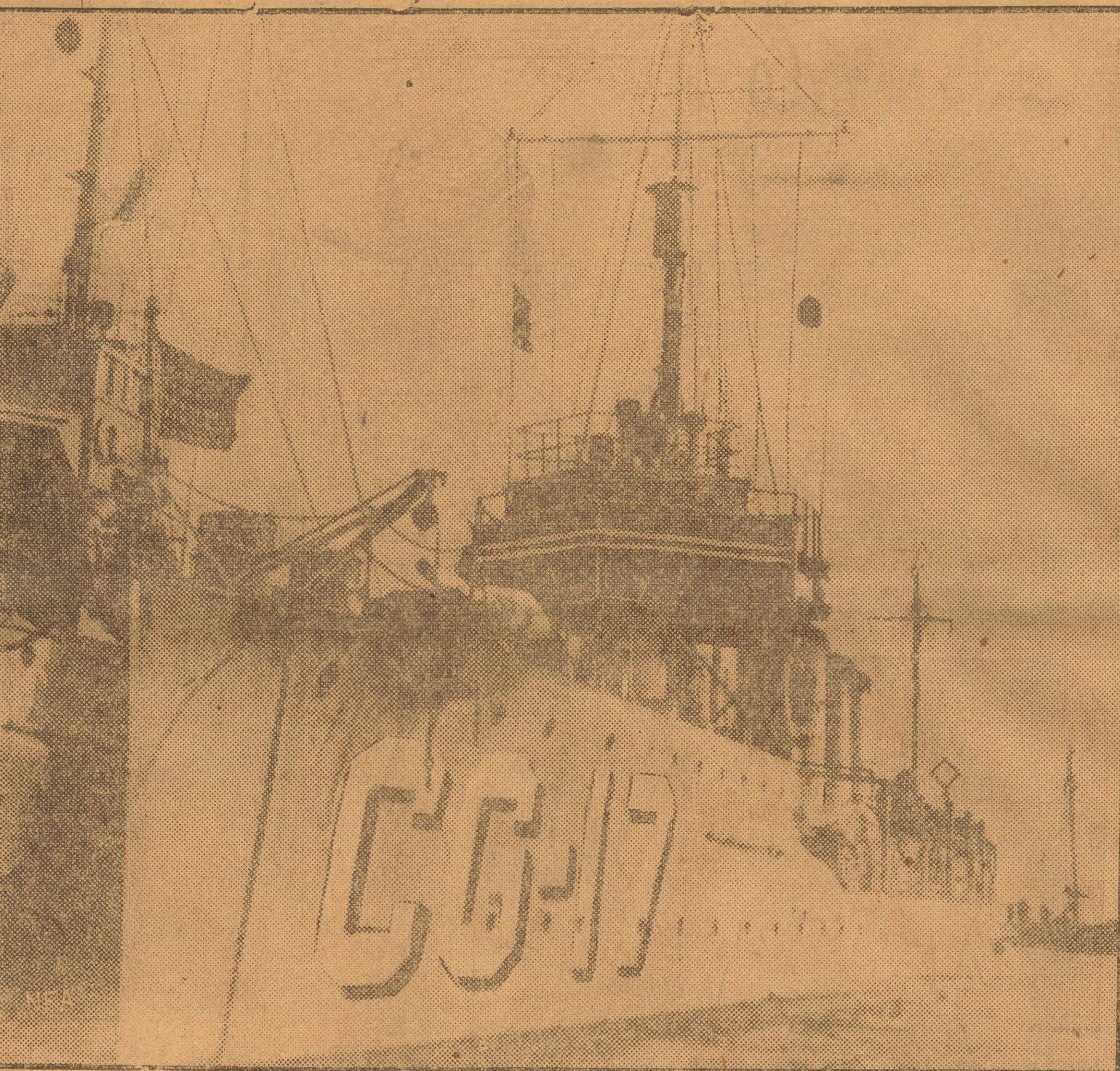
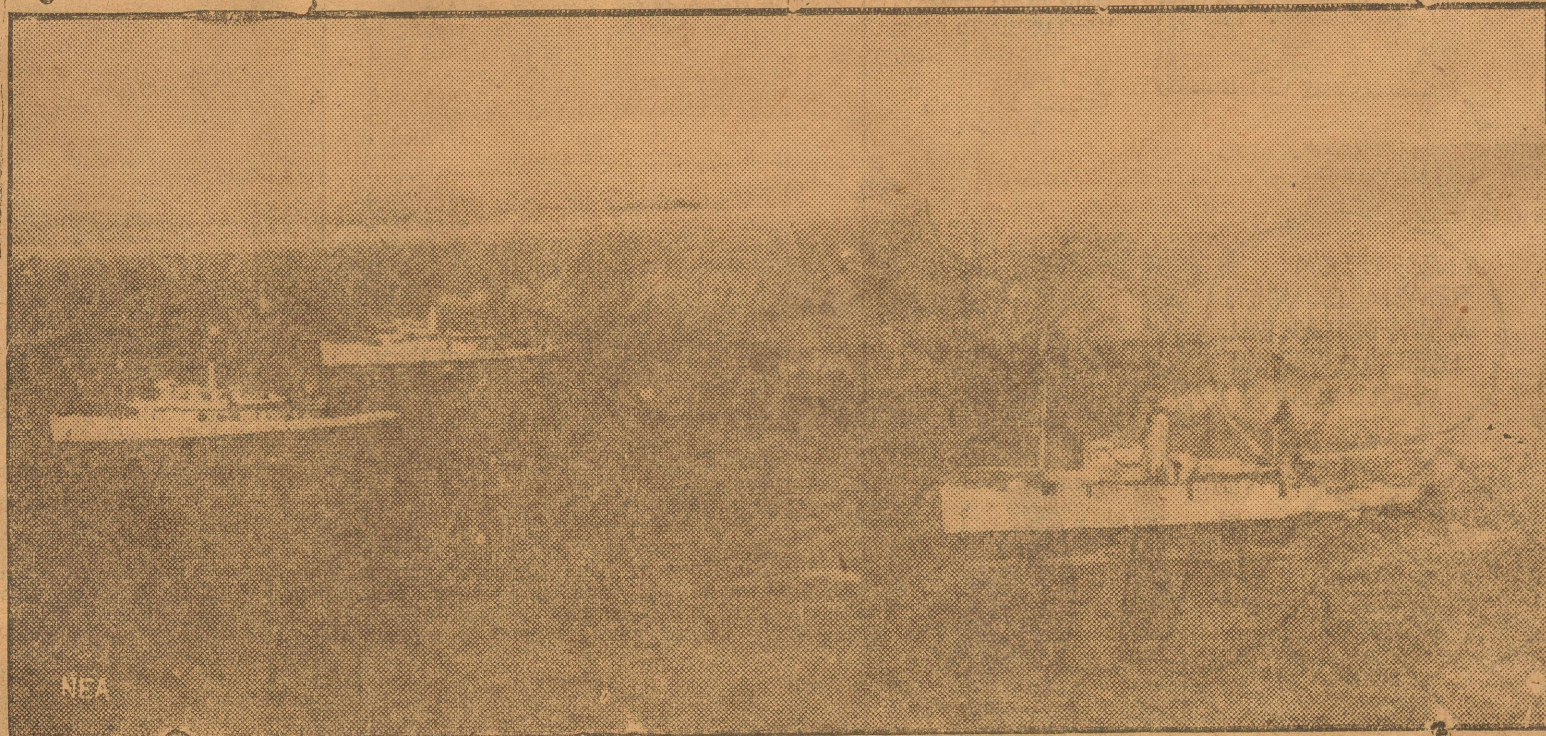
By United Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The efforts of Captain Charles Kingsford Smith and Lieutenant George Pond to wrest the world's endurance flight record from two German aviators failed today. Exhaustion of their gasoline supply forced them to a landing at 9:47 a. m. today.

The unofficial time of their flight was 49 hours and 29 minutes, falling two hours and 53 minutes short of the record.



It is sad, but true, that one by one the days are slowly dropping. And shortly you'll have no more time to do your Christmas shopping.

Aerial View of Scene of Tragedy and the Ship that Sank the S-4



Gasoline Explosion Cost Life of One And Injures Four

By United Press.
SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 20.—A man is known to have been killed and four other injured when a gasoline tank on the U. S. S. aircraft carrier Lightly exploded at 9:45 a. m. today.

According to witnesses the explosion occurred while a navy boat was being fueled. The boat had been hauled from the water and was along the main deck where the gasoline tank was located. The four members of the motorboat crew were brown into the water.

Good Fellows on Job To Provide Xmas Cheer For Poor

The Ranger Goodfellows met last night and tabulated the names of Ranger's needy people. The list turned in was carefully gone over and baskets ranging in price from \$3 to \$10, according to the condition of the families, will be provided for.

Aubrey Jameson and Chief George Murphy were put in charge of the details of the contents of the baskets.

Manager J. T. Hughes of the Liberty theatre reported that he had five girls selling tickets for the Goodfellows benefit show on Thursday night.

Speaking of the show, it promises to be a humdinger, just as the benefit dance tonight at the Legion hall is going to be. Watch the dollars roll in.

AUSTIN, Dec. 20.—Motion for a new trial for Becky Bradley Rogers will not be presented at LaGrange Thursday, attorneys working on the record of the trial say.

They will present it, however, in ample time to have her released for Christmas. Whether it is granted or refused, she will be eligible for bail after the presentation.

Ranger Boy Scouts Decorate Window For Local C. of C.

Ranger Boy Scouts have the Christmas spirit and have worked out quite a bit of it in a Christmas window at the chamber of commerce.

This window is very attractive. It has for a background cedar trees and vines. A last year's bird nest adorns one tree and a cheerful campfire glows red under a black pot hung from a rafter made of tree limbs.

The ground and trees are snow covered and Indian relics, bits of beaver chips, pieces of coral and other interesting rocks and specimens add the finishing touches to the display.

STATE BRIEFS

By United Press.
SAN BENITO.—Mitchell Orr, 34, who owns a farm east of here, has been selected a master farmer, one of 15 chosen from thousands during the past year by a committee of agricultural experts cooperating with Texas A. and M. college extension service.

Orr is the only farmer in south Texas named among the group, according to announcement of Henry Alsmeyer, Cameron county farm agent.

Because of his home life, the condition of his soil, the diversification of his crops, the all year round agricultural and civic activity, Orr was chosen. He and the 14 others of the state will be guests of honor at a banquet in Dallas next month.

Orr is a graduate of Ontario Agricultural college and came to the lower Rio Grande valley in 1924 and started farming.

HOUSTON.—Forty-nine charges of theft were filed against Willie Grigsby, negro, in district court here, establishing a record for the number of cases filed against one person.

Willie pleaded guilty to all 49 counts and was sentenced to a total of 98 years. It required two hours to go through the formality of having Willie say guilty 49 times.

Cuba Prepares To Entertain Meet Of Pan-Americans

By United Press.
HAVANA, Cuba.—Preparations for the sixth Pan-American conference, to be held here beginning Jan. 16, 1928, are being rushed in an effort to have everything in readiness by that date.

The department of public works is repairing Avenida de la Republica, the broad avenue leading up to the National university grounds, where the conference will be held. A huge stairway leading from the street to the doors of the three principal university buildings has been completed and work on the school of engineers building, where the sessions will be held, will be finished by the first of the year.

The state department is busy organizing the necessary clerical staff required to handle the enormous amount of work in connection with the conference. Plans have been made to employ a staff of some 200 stenographers, translators and clerks. Translations of resolution s adopted by the conference must be in English, Spanish, Portuguese and French. Reports of the conference for the press will be made in Spanish alone, according to present plans.

Delegates and their families—probably totalling 1,200 persons—will have little difficulty in securing hotel accommodations as the majority of them made reservations upon learning of their respective appointments.

REMUS MURDER CASE GIVEN TO JURY TODAY

By United Press.
COURTROOM, CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 20.—The case for and against George Remus, who for more than five weeks has been on trial charged with the murder of his wife, was given to the jury at 12:49 p. m. today.

The 10 men and two women composing the jury were told by Judge Chester R. Shook that they could not return a verdict of absolute acquittal in favor of Remus.

While submarine tenders, with divers and pontoons, hurried to the scene, U. S. navy destroyers stood by off Provincetown, Mass., over the spot where the U. S. submarine S-4 went down with her crew of 40 men after being rammed by a coast guard destroyer. This photo, taken from an airplane, shows the boats on the surface; 120 feet below the center of the patch of open water between them lies the stricken submarine, facts of her crew still unknown. The coast guard destroyer Paulding, which struck the S-4 and sent the submarine to the bottom. The Paulding was barely able to reach shallow water close to shore, and is now resting on the bottom. In the background at the left can be seen the U. S. S. Tucker, standing by.

COMMISSIONER CONE JOHNSON IS IN HOSPITAL

By United Press.
TYLER, Dec. 20.—Cone Johnson, member of the state highway commission has entered his brother's hospital at Fort Worth to receive treatment for injuries received on a fox hunt last week.

While sitting on a camp stool before a fire, during a hunt in Trinity county last week, his stool gave way and caused him to thrust his left hand into a pile of live coals.

The burns were not considered serious until yesterday when the hand began to swell. Johnson was brought here last night, and after treatment it was decided to send him to Fort Worth for further treatment.

RUTH ELDER PAYS VISIT TO HER OLD HOME TOWN

ANNISTON, Ala., Dec. 20.—Ruth Elder and Captain George Holdeman, co-pilots of the trans-Atlantic airplane, the American Girl, flew here today from Atlanta for a "home-town" welcome to Miss Elder. More than 20,000 persons were on the field when their plane arrived after an uneventful trip.

FIRST SNOW IN TWO YEARS AT DEL RIO

DEL RIO, Dec. 20.—Snow fell in this section last night for the first time in two years. The fall varied from one to three inches. It melted rapidly today with the arrival of warmer weather.

PRESIDIO.—The seventh bridge across the Rio Grande between the United States and Mexico has been thrown open to traffic here, linking Presidio with Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico.

E. W. King, Presidio postmaster, was the first person to pay toll for crossing an automobile over the bridge.

The Presidio chamber of commerce is arranging to hold a formal opening for the bridge late in January. Efforts are being made to bring several prominent officials of the United States and Mexico to the celebration.

Other bridges along the border are located at El Paso, which has two, Eagle Pass, Brownsville, Laredo and Del Rio.

The bridge here was started early this year by H. E. Dupuy, Presidio, F. H. Scott, Fort Worth and C. L. Dittmann, McCamey. It cost \$60,000.

VOTE

I vote for Poster No. in Ranger Tree and Rose Planting Campaign.

SLIM CHANCE TO SAVE VICTIMS OF SUNKEN SUB

Imprisoned Men Still Alive Early Today and Sending Out Faint Messages.

By United Press.
PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 20.—Officers and men of the 24 navy coast guard and privately owned ships spurred by definite knowledge that there was still life aboard the sunken submarine S-4 this morning fought on today in their disheartening battle against the sea.

Paint tapping picked up by delicate instruments aboard the submarine S-8 this morning told those on the salvage fleet that one or more of the imprisoned men still lived.

But as the morning wore on the signals grew more and more faint, as if made by a man whose strength was failing, and they contained no coherent message.

At 9:33 a. m. today signals were still coming through faintly as if the efforts were almost too much for the men imprisoned in the torpedo room of the sunken submarine S-4.

At that hour the signals were more of an erratic tattoo as they were picked up by the osculator of the submarine S-8 which is stationed over the spot where its sister ship is resting on the ocean bottom.

Officers aboard the S-8 feared that unless something could be done soon rescue efforts would be unavailing.

Navy Officials See Little Hope For Men's Rescue

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Navy officials admitted privately today there is little hope of rescuing alive the six men trapped in the torpedo room of the ill-fated submarine S-4. They said the one faint hope the department held of raising the submarine before the limited air supply in the torpedo room became exhausted was shattered when the New England rail forced cessation of rescue operations yesterday.

Officially however, the navy officers said every available salvage would be concentrated at the scene of the disaster as soon as weather permits. With freshening of the gale though, indications that efforts to raise the S-8 would have to be postponed again today.

Chinese Are Seen As Peace Apostles By Famous Writer

By HAROLD P. MILLS, United Press Correspondent.
SHANGHAI.—The Chinese are the most peaceful people on earth and would a thousand times rather arbitrate than fight, says William Preston Gibson, American playwright of note and son of Dandall Lee Gibson, who for 25 years was United States senator from Louisiana.

Gibson and Mrs. Gibson, who was Miss Evelyn Spaulding of Boston and is a successful story writer, visited Shanghai en route to Peking, Hankow, Nanking and other cities of China for the purpose of gathering material for future literary work.

Gibson is the author of "The Turning Point," "Suicide" and a number of well known plays.

"From what I have seen and learned of the Chinese race I have nothing but admiration for them," he declared to a representative of the United Press. "As an example their whole-hearted desire for peace I cite the instance in 1919 when the peace conference was being held in a European city."

"The Chinese had two separate bodies of representatives there, one delegation representing the Canton government and the other the Peking government. Despite the fact that the two governments were bitter enemies, the two delegations got together in the friendliest spirit and worked in accord for the best interests of China."

Commenting upon the American stage, Gibson declared that in his opinion the plays of the American stage today are far better than at any time during the past quarter century. He rapped the so-called "sex" plays, with which certain American cities were deluged, asserting that the patrons of the theatre do not want them and in the future will not support such plays.

LINDY'S MOTHER ON WAY TO CITY OF MEXICO

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 20.—After a three-hour delay because of engine trouble, Mrs. Evangeline Lodge Lindbergh resumed her airplane flight to Mexico City at 1:02 p. m. On leaving Pilot Harry Brooks tentatively planned a stop at Springfield, Mo., and expected to reach Tulsa Okla., for overnight stop.

DO YOU KNOW THAT The business man who left most of his estate to a lawyer probably figured he'd save his relatives a lot of trouble.

REVENGE IS BELIEVED MOTIVE IN CRIME

Girl's Father Fought Parole Of Youth Last June

By United Press.
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—A handsome weak-mouthed youth, Edward Hickman, 17, former Kansas City high school boy, was being sought here today as the beast who slew 12-year-old Marian Parker and mutilated her body.

Through finger print records and rogue's gallery pictures, Hickman, according to Chief of Detectives Herman Cline, was irrefutably identified as the sly and cunning criminal sought throughout the southwest as "The Fox."

Revenge was said to have been the motive for the crime.

Although a cordon of police was flung over a wide area of southern California from mountains to the sea and speeding motor cars patrolled all roads leading from the state, it was rumored here that the boy already was in custody of police, who fear mob violence may result if "The Fox" is found.

Hickman's identity was made, according to police fingerprint experts, by records on file in the rogue's gallery. According to police records, these correspond with finger prints found on the death threats and on the murder car.

The motive for the crime which has baffled police since the dismembered body was thrown from a coupe Saturday night was undoubtedly revenge, police said.

Perry M. Parker, father of the dead girl, was said to have objected to the paroling of Hickman last June on a forgery charge. This was the cause for the revenge, it was said.

Terrible Mistake Says Mother of Boy Hunted By Police

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 20.—"It's terrible—a terrible mistake. My boy never could have done a thing like that."

Thus did Mrs. Eva Hickman, mother of Edward Hickman, defend her son today when informed by police that he was being sought for the murder of Marian Parker, 12-year-old Los Angeles schoolgirl.

Mrs. Hickman, the mother's daughter, Mary, 15 years old, occupy furnished rooms on the third floor of a modest apartment dwelling here.

The mother appeared bewildered, but not greatly worried when told her son was being hunted as the beast-murderer of the Parker girl. She protested her innocence and persisted in the belief that he would be cleared. According to Mrs. Hickman, Edward is 19 years old. Three other sons and a daughter make up the family.

Mrs. Hickman, now past middle age, spoke wearily of the hardships she had undergone since her husband deserted her 11 years ago. But she spoke with pride of Edward's excellent school standing when he was in high school here.

RIOTING BREAKS OUT AS CROWD SEES YOUTH

By United Press.
Rioting broke out at the detective headquarters as a man strongly resembling Edward Hickman sought as the slayer of Marian Parker, was taken into the central police station for identification purposes. A milling frenzied crowd rushed the doors of the station as the suspect was taken. There were shouts of "lynch him" and it was with difficulty that police reserves held the mob at bay.

Detectives announced that the man was not Hickman after he had been questioned. Police used strong revolvers to keep the crowd back from the handcuffed man. Meanwhile Milton Jackowsky, a former university student, was taken into custody and held as a material witness.

Detectives said following Jackowsky's arrest that he had been seen loitering in the vicinity of the Parker home for several days before the tragedy.

DALLAS.—No longer can romantic maidens forced to walk home from an automobile ride expect a lift from the kindly milkman.

Local dairies have announced that deliveries of milk will be made in the future after 8 a. m. This will permit the driver to put the milk directly in the ice box and eliminate loss by theft of milk, bottles and money.

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A REAL FARMER.
A few days ago we had the good
fortune to listen to a real farmer.
He wasn't making a speech—just
talking to us and he had no idea any
part of what he was saying would
ever get into print.

To begin with, he was one of these
good farmers. He was a farmer who
was enthusiastic regarding his farm
work and who looked upon it as an
opportunity rather than a drudgery.
He was a cheerful farmer, one who
had a good word for the county
agent and the home demonstration
agent. He was interested in schools
and had a good word for the teach-
ers and the county superintendent.
In fact he had a good word for pretty
nearly everybody you could name ex-
cept the so-called farmer who sneers
at the proffered assistance of sci-
entific methods and who holds to the
theory that a farmer can buy his
meat, his feed, his butter and eggs
cheaper than he can produce them.

This farmer lives on a small farm
in Eastland county. He terraced his
land five years ago while some of his
neighbors laughed at him. He took
a correspondence course in poultry
raising and was criticised by his
neighbors for the foolish expendi-
ture, but many times since then he
has been called on during the off lay-
ing season to sell that same neighbor
eggs for his table.

This farmer spent money for
thoroughbred hogs, thoroughbred
milk cows and thoroughbred chickens
today and the only stock on his
farm that is not thoroughbred is a
span of mules. He took advantage
of all the assistance offered by the
county agricultural agent and the
home demonstration agent and today
he and his wife have enough canned
fruits, vegetables and meats in the
cellar to last them more than a whole
year.

As he talked he radiated enthusi-
asm and optimism. He was not a
windy by any means for much of the
information he gave was brought out
by direct questioning.

We tried to draw him out on the
question of legislation for relief of
the farmer but he didn't respond.
He apparently had no interest in the
matter and didn't need to have. He
had found out years ago that his sal-
vation depended on his own efforts
and not on legislation.

His conversation was intelligent
and refreshing and as we listened we
couldn't help but contrast his talk
with so many others we have been
forced to listen to. He wasn't cursing
the government because he
couldn't get 40 cents a pound for
cotton, but he is the sort of farmer
who doesn't have to sell his cotton
for 15 cents if he doesn't want to.

He is a real farmer who regards
agriculture a respectable industry
and not as one who is driven to his
daily task like a slave. First of all
he lives on his farm and when he
goes to town to buy sugar and cof-
fee which he can't raise, he takes
along enough surplus from the farm
to more than pay for it.

Farmers like this one don't run in
droves in Texas. They are not ex-
pert at carving up a goods box at the
cross roads store. They are the kind
of men who dignify the farming busi-
ness and they would doubtless dignify
any other line of business or profes-
sion should they make it their chosen
calling.

GOODBYE FOOTBALL.
Well, we see where football has
gotten into politics. Congress has
taken up the task of effecting an ar-
bitration between the navy and the
army. Some members think that if
these two football teams should miss
the 1928 game that it would be a
calamity. Football has no place in
congress. It takes something to play
football that congress doesn't have.

EL PASO.—Signs warning against
smoking are posted in 22 languages
on the properties of the Camanillo
gins here in an effort to prevent
fires.

The explanations are with the no-
tation in English "In other words,
no smoking."

Ask Dad—He Knows



SOCIETY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

TONIGHT.

Goodfellows benefit dance at Le-
gion hall at 9 o'clock.
Miss Tibbels and Mrs. Peters re-
cital at Methodist church, 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY.

Delphian club meets at 3 p. m. at
the Gholson hotel.
Presbyterian women have Christ-
mas party at Mrs. C. E. Maddocks'
home, 3 p. m.
Hodges Oak Park school program
at High school, 8 p. m.
Rotary club luncheon at 12:15,
Gholson hotel.
Prayer meeting at all churches in
the evening.

TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT OF GOODFELLOWS DANCE.

Ranger Goodfellows expect to gar-
ner in many dollars tonight for the
children, sick, needy and old of Ran-
ger. It goes without saying that if
the people of Ranger are as liberal
as Gus Coleman and Carl Barnes
post, there will be a crowded house
at tonight's benefit dance at the
Legion hall.

Gus Coleman and his orchestra, the
best in the oil fields and then some,
are not worth a million dollars, but
they love the poor and the little chil-
dren who might find empty stockings,
so they are going to give a whole
evening of their time, which usually
costs a pretty penny, to the Good-
fellows cause. The Legion is donat-
ing its fine ballroom as well as the
entire club for one evening, and they
are not rich either, just a growing
post with plenty of obligations to
meet.

The Goodfellows committee is com-
posed of busy men and women who
are giving unstintingly of their time
to put the fund over in great shape
surely the people of Ranger who love
to dance won't mind chipping in a
dollar per tonight and help swell this
worthy fund.

HODGES OAK PARK SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The following interesting program
will be given by children of Hodges
Oak Park school, Ranger, on Wed-
nesday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the
High school auditorium:
A Living Christmas Tree. Direc-
tion Miss Sue Dean, Hortense Ross,
"O Christmas Tree," "O Star
Above," sung by the living Christmas
tree.

Kindergarten Symphony, Gillian
Buchanan, director.
Cathedral Chimes.
Adeste Fideles.
Hark! the Herald Angel Sings.
Bells of Christmas.
Silent Night.
Knecht Ruprecht.
Sleighbell Polka.
Under the Mistletoe.
Arrival of Santa Claus.
Jingle Bells.

Operetta, "Colonel Grump's Christ-
mas." Direction Mrs. J. E. Demmer.

EXPRESSION AND MUSIC PUPILS TO GIVE RECITAL

A little play "Dolls on Dress Pa-
rade" will be presented by expres-
sion pupils of Mrs. Marion F. Peters
tonight when pupils of Mrs. Peters
and Miss Nell Tibbels appear in a
joint recital, which will be held in
the basement of the First Methodist
church, Ranger.

A number of Miss Tibbels' pupils
will sing "Christmas Stars" and in
addition to these special numbers,
about 35 children will participate in
a mixed program of reading and
music.

The recital is entirely free to
those who desire to attend.

JUNIOR NEW ERA GIRLS HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Junior New Era club, com-
posed of school teachers and business
women, took an evening off last
night from such duties and enjoyed a
Christmas tree at the home of the
club mother, Mrs. Rena Bonner
Campbell, to the fullest extent.

The tree placed in the living room
was a Washington fir tree banked
in mistletoe and adorned with many

Christmas decorations. Each girl as
she entered put a gift on the tree for
some other club member.

Mrs. Campbell acted as Santa
Claus and as each gift was delivered,
the receiver opened it, read the card
therein and passed it around to be
admired by the other members. It
was a very happy occasion and the
gifts, all prettily wrapped, brought
forth many ohs and ahs from the
girls and the club mother, especially
from the latter as she received more
than her share of gifts, all lovely and
typical of her girls.

After the gifts had been given out,
Mrs. Campbell, assisted by Miss
Schmuck, served hot chocolate and
cake to Misses Lula Bell Trigg, Eva
Long, Lucile Buchanan, Hortense
Ross, Edith Fletcher, Sue Dean, Mar-
guerite Novakovich, Jennie Robison,
Helen Howdeshell and Mrs. John
Demmer.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Risher left to-
day for Huntington, W. Va., where
they will spend the holidays with Mr.
Risher's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hobbs of Wea-
therford, parents of Mrs. George W.
Shearer, were week-end guests in the
home of Rev. and Mrs. Shearer.
They came purposely to attend the
Christmas cantata given by the
Methodist choir. They thought
the program was wonderful and a credit
to any town.

Miss Helen Howdeshell will leave
Thursday for Waco to spend the
holidays with her parents.

Miss Christina Schmuck will spend
the holidays in Arlington, guest of
her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. M.
Schmuck. Her sister, Miss Laura
Schmuck, will also be in Arlington
for Christmas.

Mrs. Dick Elliott is reported as be-
ing very ill at the family home on
Sixth street.

Mrs. George R. Kelly and little son
are in Fort Worth this week.

Playhouse Plans Are In Hands Of Ranger Contractor

Blue prints of the Arcadia, Ran-
ger's new playhouse are now in the
hands of a Ranger contractor follow-
ing a visit to Ranger last night of
W. B. Palmer, building engineer. Mr.
Palmer formerly lived in Ranger and
was manager of the Lamb and Liber-
ty theatres. Incidentally he also
built the Ranger postoffice.

The new building will be construct-
ed where the present Lamb theatre
now stands and will be named the
Arcadia.

It is being built by the Campbell
Theatre companies and will have a
seating capacity of 800. It will be
built on the amphitheatre type.

A similar house will be built at
Breckenridge at the same time.
All the facts pertaining to the new
building have not yet been made pub-
lic but it looks as though it will start
the building permit record off in
January in a most substantial way.

DALLAS.—City detectives and
federal prohibition agents caught
each other in parallel traps they laid
for local bootleggers.

Two detectives raided a house and
after seizing a quantity of liquor
made a search for further evidence.
They found a telephone number on
the wall. The number had been
planted by the prohibition agents.

One of the detectives called the
number and ordered a quart of li-
quor. The person on the other end
guaranteed immediate delivery. Di-
rectly a car drove up and the probi-
tion agents entered. The two pair
of officers looked at each other and
grinned sheepishly.

CRANE CITY.—With the closing
of several gambling dives to her
credit, Miss Margaret Long, college
graduate and former school teacher,
has become a full fledged represen-
tative of the law in Crane City.

She was made a deputy sheriff
when the oil boom started here and
has an envious law enforcement rec-
ord thus far.

Gripings By GUS

We were reading in the paper
something of Lindbergh's reception
down in Mexico. Not having been
there, it would ill become us to com-
ment too freely on it. However,
there was one thing to strike the at-
tention.

Lindbergh is a good sport. In
spite of several protests from various
nosey organizations in the States he
attended a bull fight. He believes
in doing as the Romans do, etc.
Whatever he thinks is right is
right as far as he is concerned and
vice versa. He didn't happen to
want a drink while in France and
didn't drink. He did happen to
want to see a bull fight in Mexico
and by heck he seen it.

It's too bad a lot of us good folks
don't have the strength of our con-
victions that way. A lot of us in the
same shape would go to the bull
fight in disguise and then swear we
never seen it.

That's the difference, one of them
between a great man and a punk.

Christmas is a great institution
with the very rich because it gives
them a chance to get rid of some of
their surplus dough and they get a
lot of fun out of giving it away.

With the very poor it's a great
time because they get a few of the
necessities of life bestowed upon
them at that time and they can
spend a day or two without worry-
ing where the next meal is coming
from.

For the great mass of people in
between, it's a tight fight with a
short stick and we don't imply a pos-
sibility.

A kid growing up never realizes
what Christmas means to his folks
until he has a couple of kids to fix
it with Santa Claus for himself.

Us poor but proud people have a
heck of a time getting along but we
have as much fun out of getting our
kids a little Christmas as anybody.

So far we have received one reply
to our appeal for stamps to mail our
friends Christmas cards. Mrs. Buzz
Johnson gave us two cents yesterday
so we could mail her one.

We were going to mail Buzz one
anyway and then send him a bill for
two cents postage.

We are just like Cull Moorman.
We will do well to stay here during
Christmas, not to mention going
away for the holidays. Those who
will have open house please advise
one of us.

Gripping Gus



Gus Coleman, Ranger, the man with
a heart as big as his smile, who may
be counted as one who loves his fel-
low man. He and his orchestra, the
Rainbow Sencaders are donating
their services for the Good Fellows
benefit dance tonight at the Ameri-
can Legion hall, Ranger.

SAN BENITO.—Installation of
electric lights and running water in
all Mexican border cities will begin
soon, inaugurating a new era of de-
velopment in those cities, some of
which have existed for more than
100 years without these conveniences.

This announcement was made
when it was learned that definite ar-
rangements have been completed
with a power company of Monterrey,
Mexico, for work to begin early in
January on one of the larger border
towns. Matamoros is fed from the
generating plant of the Central
Power and Light company in San
Benito.



W. I. Wright, Ranger, pictured above representing the Gibson
Mandolin and here showing the latest model Gibson Mandolin,
patented 1921. The Gibson instruments can be purchased on
easy payment plan from \$35 up. Those interested can get in
touch with Mr. Wright, P. O. Box 875 or at 507 Elm Street,
Ranger for further details and information.

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ty to choose from.

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NOTICE

All bills due deceased Paul Chirrinise and bills due him are to be mailed to box 1014 Ranger Times, F. A. BADAMI, Administrator.

Fundamentalists apparently believe man can't point a moral if, originally, he adorned a tail.

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End your search for a winter coat now—splendid fur-trimmed coats at unbelievably moderate prices await you here!

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You must see them for yourself—holivia, velour and sports novelties—several colors.

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Fashion's Approval

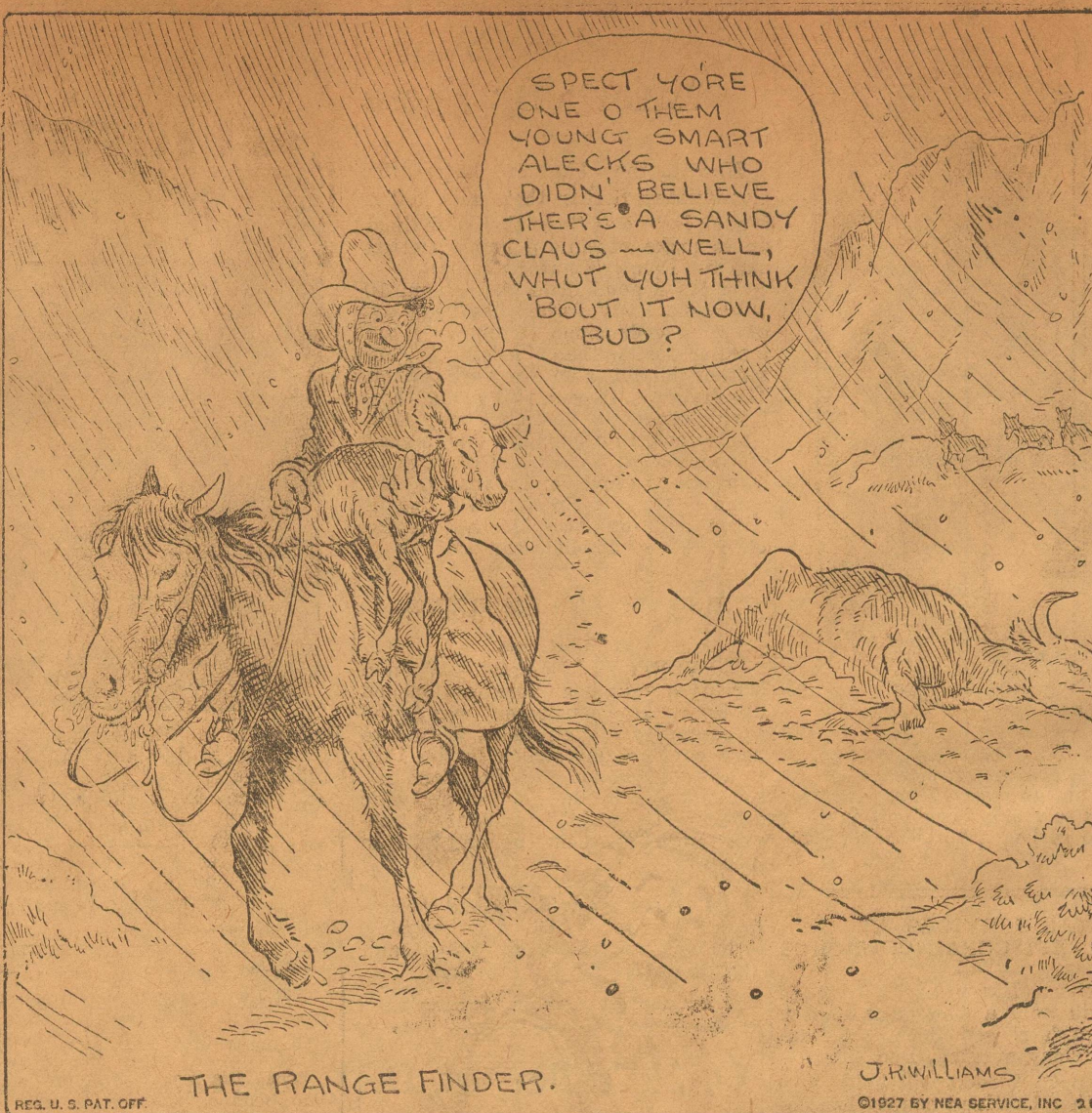
Women appreciate the timely showing of these clever frocks—especially when the prices are so tempting!

Women, Misses and Juniors

Silk crepe, georgette and combinations both of color and fabrics—the variety allows ample selection. See them for only

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OUT OUR WAY



Public Records

Instruments Filed.
Deed, Mary Ann McFal to Leatha M. McFal, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 2, lots 1 and 2 block 3, Barbers subdivision to Ranger, \$10.
Release of vendor's lien, E. Y. Jennings to Dee Long, lot 10, block 2, Stuards first addition to Ranger, \$575.
Agreement, Wm. Dickey to J. H. Catin, install plumbing system, Eastland \$18,309.
Bill of sale, Eastland chamber of commerce to Harry Brelsford \$1100.
Warranty deed H. P. Brelsford to Harry Brelsford, SW 1-4 of section 26, block 4, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. survey, \$10.
Warranty deed, H. R. Shahan et ux to Mrs. Carrie Davis, lot 9, Guy Dabney subdivision lot 2, block C, Cisco \$800.
Agreement, City Electric Co., install electricity, lot in Eastland, \$827.50.
Warranty deed, J. M. Wilcox et ux to R. L. McCleskey, N 1-2 of lot 7, all of lot 9, and S 1-2 of lot 11, block 11, Daugherty addition to Eastland \$2500.
Transfer deed, R. L. McCleskey to Eastland Building and Loan association, N 1-2 of lot 7 all of lot 8 and S 1-2 of lot 11 block 11, Daugherty addition \$1500.
Warranty deed, R. L. McCleskey to J. M. Wilcox, lot 33, block G-3, Eastland \$550.
Warranty deed, T. E. Barton et ux to Lawrence N. Collie, lot 7 block A, Connelley Place addition to Eastland, \$2500.
Affidavit, R. H. Lightfoot to public \$2500.
Oil and gas lease, United Royalty corporation to States Oil corporation

tion N 1-3 of E 1-2 of NE 1-4 of section 5 block 4, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. survey \$25.00.
Transfer of deed of transfer, the Bonner Loan and Investment Co., to L. H. Putney \$350.
Warranty deed, H. M. Hancy et ux to A. N. Golden part of NE 1-4 of section 26, block 2, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. survey, \$400.
Warranty deed, E. L. Burkhead et ux to T. H. Landon, part of section 26, block 2, E. T. RR. Co. survey \$1470.
Right of way, Edward A. Sibley to Texas Public Utilities Co., part of Wm. Van Norman survey \$106.75.
Deed of transfer, L. R. Gafford et ux to the Federal Land bank of Houston N 1-2 of SE 1-4 of survey 37, block 2, E. T. Ry. Co. \$500.
Warranty deed, C. C. Mahen et ux to J. T. Dafforn, part of F. Seranton survey \$1,000.
Deed of transfer, D. O. Leary et al to J. E. Lewis et al, lots 1, 2, block A-3, Eastland, \$2000.
Warranty deed, P. B. Reynolds et

ux to transfer of Elks Lodge, lots 1 and 2 block A-3 Eastland, \$2,000.
Warranty deed, J. O. Sue et ux to Sam Key, lot 9, 10, subdivision 2, block 99, Cisco, \$3,000.
Transfer of vendor's lien, M. O. Hazard to L. B. Bourland, lot 14, Boone's subdivision block F-3, Eastland \$700.
Transfer of Lien, J. F. Brain to L. B. Bourland, lot 14, block 17,

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Daugherty addition to Eastland, \$187.50.
Deed of transfer, P. H. Davis to G. L. Mitchell, part of section 30, block 4, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. survey \$500.
Affidavit, J. F. Boyd to public, part of block B-4, Eastland.
Affidavit, L. P. Cox to public, part of block B-4, Eastland.
Warranty deed, G. L. Hunt et ux to W. W. Exell, part of block B-4 Eastland.
Warranty deed, Luther Harbin et ux to Cyrus B. Frost, lots 17 and 19, block 10, Daugherty addition to Eastland consideration \$1.
Warranty deed, J. G. Quiett et ux to Cyrus B. Frost, lots 17 and 19, block 10 Daugherty addition to Eastland \$1.
Warranty deed, Eugene Priest et al to Cyrus B. Frost, lots 17 and 19, block 10, Daugherty addition to Eastland, \$1.

Mrs. Maddocks Is Made Secretary Of Better Homes

Mrs. C. E. Maddocks has been appointed by Secretary Hoover as chairman of a committee to conduct a Better Homes campaign in Ranger, Texas.

Mr. Hoover is president of Better Homes in America, an organization which each year sponsors a nationwide educational campaign for

Better Homes. The organization maintains headquarters in Washington, D. C., with James Ford in charge as executive director.
Better Homes in America was established to provide local communities with information as to the ways of improving housing conditions and home life, the work being carried on in communities through volunteer committees of local citizens. The campaign is sponsored locally by such organizations as Parent-Teacher associations, women's clubs, civic associations and others having an interest in home improvement.
A man or woman who is active in civic affairs is appointed in each community to serve as chairman of the Better Homes committee for that place. This chairman then selects a committee of representative men and women to conduct the campaign. These campaigns vary according to the size and conditions of the community, and include programs of lectures, demonstrations and contests.

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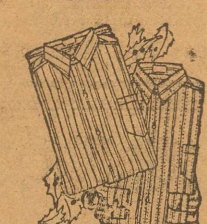
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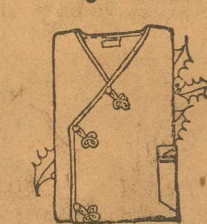
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Manhattan and Eagles; no more practical gift could be selected.

\$1.95 to \$10.00

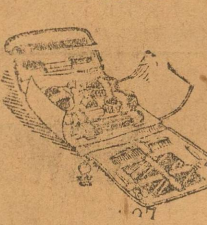
Pajamas



Men are wearing them everywhere. We're ready to fill your wants.

\$2.50 to \$15.00

Fitted Cases



A full line from small to large to fill the individual need.

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Sweaters



One of the handiest pieces of a man's attire is a slip-over Sweater.

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Hose



And, after all, a man wears hose every day and never has too many.

Gloves



For the man who drives there is no more appropriate gift than a pair of driving gloves.

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Santa Claus had a bunch of letters from his little friends in Ranger and Eastland this morning.

Mabel Falls of Ranger writes Santa

CARD OF THANKS.

To our many friends and neighbors who so lovingly helped to minister to our dearly beloved mother during her last illness we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks. Also to our many inquiring friends who so often and so tenderly expressed their genuine concern and sympathy, we wish to say that your goodness of heart will never be forgotten. Sympathy is one of the dearest and most consoling virtues in human character and each of you so beautifully displayed it, in this our greatest bereavement. For this and all other deeds of kindness our hearts are very tender toward our friends. Mrs. Ethel Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bobo, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Bobo, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hise.—Adv.

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RANGER—TODAY—TOMORROW

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Warner Bros. present

DOLORES COSTELLO

"OLD SAN FRANCISCO"

WARNER BROS. PRODUCTION

A romance of the days when 'Frisco was the Paris of America. Ominous, sinister, an octopus whose undulating tentacles were forever groping, silently groping, for youth, for beauty, and she had sworn to avenge the under-world stain on her father's honor.

NEWS TOPICS FABLES

DON'T MISS THURSDAY

as follows: "Bring me a doll, a doll buggy, a wrist watch, some nuts, candy, apples and oranges. And please bring me a box of handkerchiefs, a little stove and wash tub and I'll be the very best girl I can."

Terrell Williamson of Eastland writes: "How are you? I am just fine and I have been a very good boy and I want you to bring me some things. I want a bicycle, football, marbles, toy violin, tool chest, steam engine, air gun, and firecrackers. And don't forget the candy, apples, nuts and oranges."

Earnest Brashears, also of Eastland, says: "I am a little boy 9 years old and I am a pretty good boy. I would like to have a big bounce ball and an air rifle. Please, dear Santa, bring them to me and I'll be good a whole year."

Here is a letter from Billy Campbell, who lives in Silver City, N. M. He wants to let Santa know his present address: "Dear Old Santa: I thought I had better write and tell you I have moved from Ranger. I am living in Silver City, N. M., now and hope you will find me. Dear Santa, I want an electric train please, one that will really run when I turn the juice on. Santa I won't ask for anything else. My daddy bought me a tricycle. Please don't forget my little uncle, he lives in Ranger, his name is Lynne Hammett. That is all, Santa I love you," but adds as a postscript, "Please remember my little friends in Ranger."

J. L. Hise, of 605 Young street, Ranger, writes: "Please bring me a fire truck, a hat, a coat and pair of Russian boots, and a pencil. And bring daddy a pipe and ash tray and a box of candy. Bring mother a nice coat and a box of stationery. Brings us lots of toys and things."

Don't be afraid to tell your age—and act it.

BIG 3 BARBER SHOP

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CANDY FOR XMAS

Made fresh daily.

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QUICK SERVICE GARAGE

Pine St., Ranger, Texas

Hits New Keys



Kathryn Witwer, daughter of a Gary, Ind., locomotive hostler, is the newest Chicago Opera star. She was scheduled to make her debut in Carmen. The girl is a former stenographer.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

Archdeacon Harry Lee Virden of Dallas will hold a Christmas service at St. Mary's Episcopal church, Ranger, on Friday evening, Dec. 23.

Archdeacon Virden will hold service at other Eastland county Episcopal churches during the week.

"Picture Framing"

KINBERG STUDIO

Ranger

Make This an Electrical Christmas

The giving of electrical appliances for Christmas gifts is becoming more and more universal as the years go by. New electrical devices that save money for the household and time for the housewife are being perfected as time goes on, and it is possible to select something electrical for almost every member of the family.

Waffle Irons

Sit at the table and cook your waffles as you eat them. These irons will cook them brown and crisp in a very few minutes.

A lasting and serviceable gift and yet something out of the ordinary.

\$10.50 up

Percolators

Coffee is always better when made in an electric percolator. These percolators are nickel plated, with serviceable heating units and good cords. An excellent home Christmas gift for—

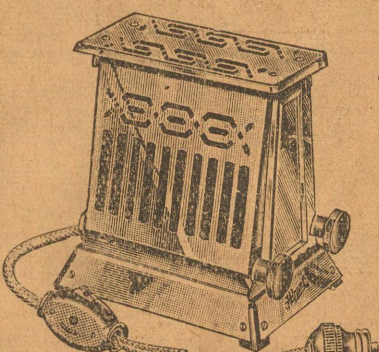
\$8.50

Percolator Sets

Many times a group will "chip in" and give a gift to an individual. Here is a suggestion for something that is beautiful, serviceable and lasting. The owner will be proud of it.

\$16.50 and up

TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE CO.



Good Fellows Are Spurred to Great Efforts By These

Here is the kind of letters the Goodfellows find in their mail and it is such letters as these that spur them on to make possible a happy Christmas for Ranger's unfortunates:

"I am a good little girl. I am 10 years old. My father has been out of work ever since October. I am looking for a bad Christmas. My mother is not able to work either. Goodfellows, if you will bring them I will 'except' a 24-inch sleepy doll, a nice coat, I do not have one, a sack of candy with apples and oranges in it, a pair of gloves and a vanity. My name is Geneva Prock and I live in Glenn addition, two blocks on the other side of Sinclair camp."

FIND MEDAL IN HERRING.

By United Press.

LOWESTOFT, England.—When a herring caught near here was opened up for cooking purposes it was found to contain a medal. This is said to be a copy of one struck in the 11th century in honor of St. Benedict, founder of the Benedictine monastic order. The medal is about three-quarters of an inch long and half an inch wide.

Los Angeles police asked "Scarface Al" Capone, Chicago gangster, to leave town. Some cities just can't appreciate an honor like that.

O. H. Miller, M. D.

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Many Mothers



Buddy, 12-month-old boy from an orphanage at Little Rock, Ark., is having the time of his life entertaining the co-eds at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. Buddy has come to the university to help make the courses in child-rearing practical, and he has many "practice mothers" who see to his feeding, sleeping and baths.

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CAMEL LOCOMOTIVE REDUCES WATER USED

By United Press.

STOCKHOLM.—A "camel" locomotive, assuring a cut of 95 per cent in the consumption of water and a 50 per cent saving in fuel has been invented by Fredrik and Birger Ljungstrom, two brothers.

The new engine is driven by a steam turbine. It generates not less than 8,000 horsepower whereas the average piston driven locomotive has a maximum horsepower of 4,000. It is therefore able to maintain a higher average speed over long distances.

Ljungstrom turbine locomotives are now in passenger service in Sweden and in England on the London, Midland Scottish railway.

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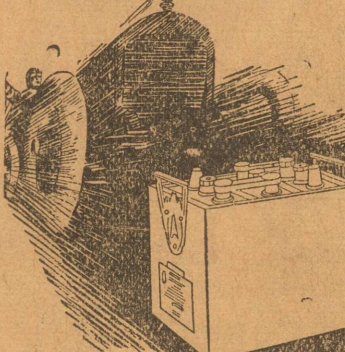
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YOUR BANK ACCOUNT

A bank's business is largely the accounts of its customers. Some are large—others small but in some cases it costs the bank more to carry a small account—especially if very many checks are drawn on it. Make your account a good one. Keep a balance of \$50 or more.

CITIZENS STATE BANK OF RANGER

The Best Town on Earth

BILLY EVANS' SPORT TALK

Johnson's Great Feat.

It is fitting and proper that Walter Johnson should be the hero of the greatest pitching feat of all time when viewed from every possible angle.

In this connection, it is rather interesting coincidence that I made my debut in the American League just one year ahead of Johnson, that I umpired his first game, that I worked in his outstanding effort and that we both retired from active service on the field almost at the same time.

It was back in 1908 that Johnson turned in a three-game performance that I doubt will ever be equalled, particularly in these days of the live ball.

The feat that I have reference to was the shutting out of the New York club in three successive games. In those days we had the single umpire system, so I was the only official in charge of Johnson's record-breaking performance.

What makes the performance all the more remarkable is the fact it really happened in his first year, for he served only a few months in 1907.

How Walter Did It.

As I recall it, the first game was played on Friday, September 4, 1908. Washington won the game,

3-0, because Johnson was in great form, allowing only six hits.

Shutting out the Yanks in those days wasn't a miracle by any means, so Johnson's very excellent performance received only passing consideration from the scribes.

On the following day, Saturday, Joe Cantillon, manager of the Washington club, hard pressed for pitchers, sent Johnson back at the New York team. He pitched another impressive game, allowing only four hits, Washington winning 6-0.

Since Sunday ball wasn't legalized in New York state at that time, Johnson enjoyed a day of rest after his two shut-outs. The second shut-out caused the experts to give Walter much space for his two meritorious performances.

Two games were scheduled for Monday, which was Labor Day, both to be played in the afternoon. Cantillon set New York to talking when he announced in Monday's papers that Johnson would pitch both games.

Johnson sent the famous Jack Chesbro against Washington in an effort to break the Johnson shut-out epidemic. All Walter did was pitch his best game of the three, this time blanking New York 4-0, allowing only two hits.

In about the seventh inning of the third game, Johnson was hit on his pitching arm with one of Chesbro's fast breaking spitballs. The game was held up at least five minutes while the Washington trainer gave Walter first aid. It was evident that he was in great pain during the rest of the game.

During the 15-minute rest between games, Johnson's arm became stiff and badly swollen. Had it not been for that, Cantillon would have sent him back to get four straight shut-outs.

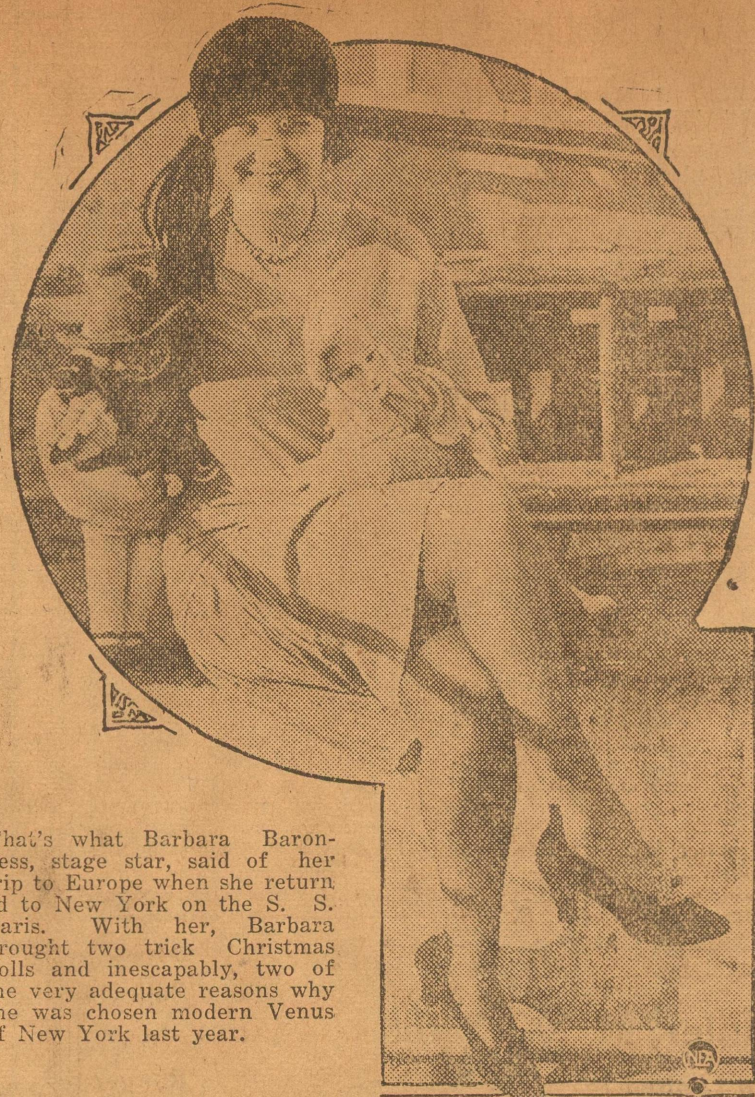
To me those three shutouts in successive games, with the pitcher getting better in each game, allowing six hits in the first, four in the second and two in the third, is the greatest hurling performance I have ever seen, all things considered.

In my next article I will discuss the most courageous exhibition of pitching I have ever witnessed.

General Motors and Ford are not fighting one another, they have told us again and again. Each is merely peacefully trying to sell the same type of car to the same people.

Vaudeville and feature pictures with a good comedy at the Liberty on Thursday.—Adv.

DELIGHTFUL!



That's what Barbara Baroness, stage star, said of her trip to Europe when she returned to New York on the S. S. Paris. With her, Barbara brought two trick Christmas dolls and inescapably, two of the very adequate reasons why she was chosen modern Venus of New York last year.

Everybody Goes To Prize Fights In Philippines

By United Press.

MANILA.—Clang! sounds the bell. Two lithe little brown forms in a brightly-lighted roped square suddenly face into their opposite corners, bob down, cross themselves, then glide out to the center and begin to weave about.

They move with a fluid grace, with poised certainty. Now and then a gloved hand darts out and back like the flick of a snake's tongue.

Suddenly they clash with a hail of blows delivered faster than the eye can follow. There comes a roar from hundreds of voices. All Manila is out for the weekly "fight night."

Boxing has a unique place in Manila life. Everybody goes to the boxing bills, just as everybody goes to the Sunday cock-fights in the rural barrios. There is reason for it, because Manila is one of the spots on earth where boxing that is really boxing can be seen.

The Filipino fighters are small, tough and quick. They make up in speed and gameness what they lack in variety. And the sameness is more apparent than real the boys all have their different styles, just as the bigger scrappers in other countries do, and it is all too easy for one to become a Manila fight fan who won't miss a single week's program.

Now and then the management engages a pair of "big boys" to give variety to the bill. If they are service men, coming in from an army post, they are apt to be good; if they are "floaters" drifting through the Philippines from hither and yon, it is a poor gamble.

But the Filipinos themselves—which includes an occasional Moro from the Sulu sea—seldom disappoint. They take the fight game seriously, and have the illustrious figure of Pancho Villa before their eyes as a mark to shoot at. Every 105-pound opening preliminary lad hopes to work his way to the headline position and a chance to tour the world. His attitude toward the situation is exactly like that of a burlesque "hooper" who hopes to see her name in the bright lights. It is a serious business, with no lying-down on the job unless at the point of an exceptionally solid fist.

Fight bills include about seven bouts.

Of the Chicago stenographer who became a grand opera star it might be said that she knows her notes.

Weaker Sex?



Don't say that Mrs. William McMullen is a member of the weaker sex. This Gaylord, Kans., woman coached one of the few undefeated prep school teams of her section this year. She does everything any male coach does, including mapping out her own plays.

PARIS.—When the architects were putting the finishing touches on the villa of Marshal Joffre outside Paris he discovered that there would be no view over the valley of the Seine. Despite his wife's protests the old soldier who started as an engineer officer stretched himself on the ground like a sapper and looked around. "Just get that clump of trees out of the way and all will be well," he announced. It was done and the view is perfect.

Scoutmaster Of County Meet In Eastland Tonight

Guy N. Quirl, Boy Scout executive of Eastland, announced this morning that the scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters and their wives and sweethearts of Eastland county, would meet at the Presbyterian church in Eastland tonight at 8 o'clock at which time the scoutmaster will hold a "pow wow."

While the scoutmasters are engaged in their business meeting Miss Ruth Kamey, Eastland county home demonstration agent, will give some demonstrations on candy making to the women present.

There are 18 scoutmasters and assistant scoutmasters in the county and at least thirty persons are expected at the meeting tonight.

A new "lie" is sometimes permitted a golfer—provided, of course, he can think up one.

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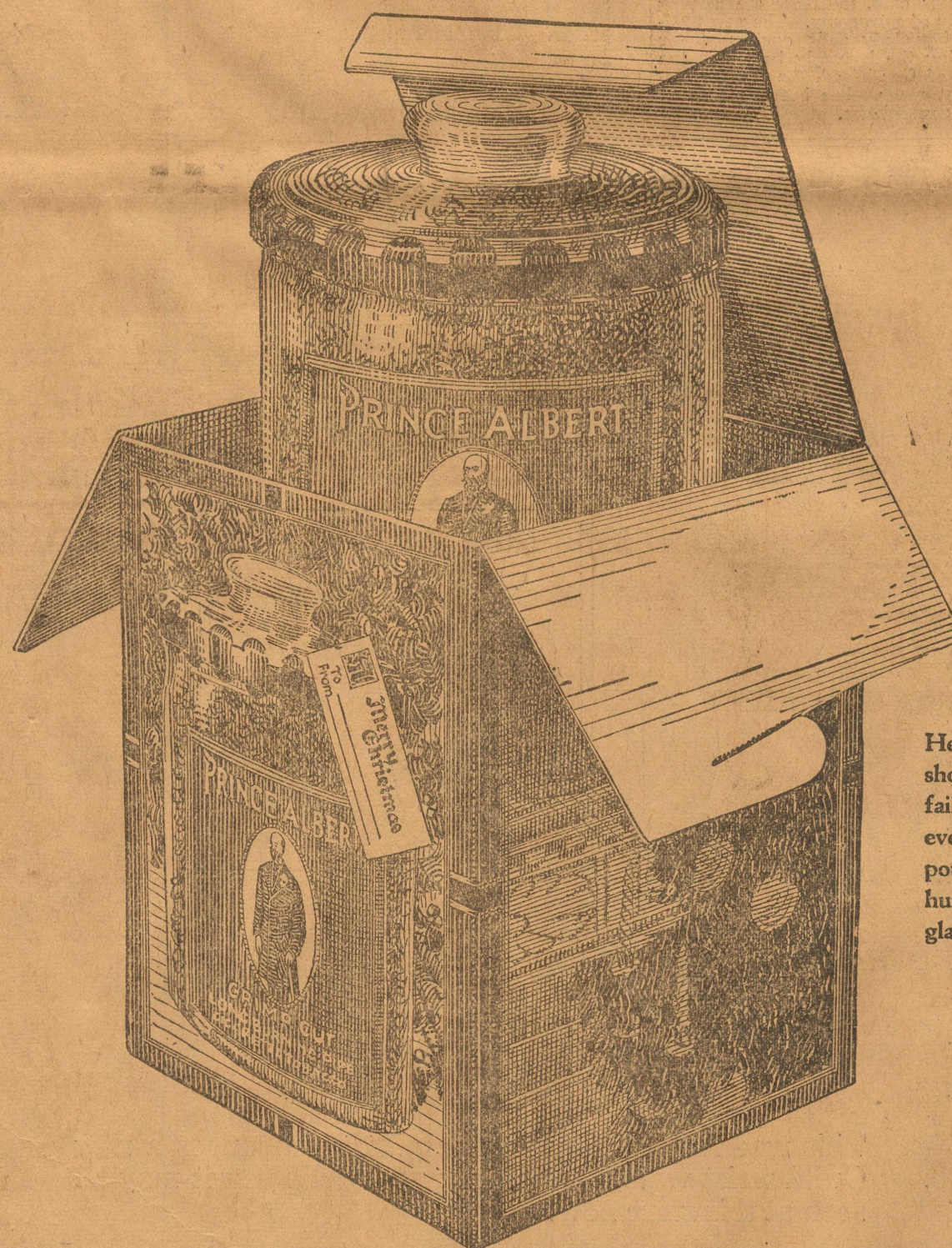
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R. E. Sikes, manager of the Eastland-Nash company, stated this morning that Carl Hunt, Nash factory mechanic, would arrive in Eastland this afternoon and would spend three or four days at the Eastland-Nash company for the purpose of assisting the local mechanics in their work.

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when it makes you eat like a hungry boy and brings back the color to your cheeks. You can soon feel the Strengthening, Invigorating Effect of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC 60c.

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NOTICE

Bids will be received at the office of Judge Ed S. Pritchard, county judge of Eastland county, Texas, at his office in the court house at Eastland, Texas, for the construction and completion of a fireproof, steel and reinforced concrete courthouse to be erected in the City of Eastland, Eastland county, Texas. Said bids to be received in said office at any time prior to the opening of said bids. Said bids to be opened by the commissioners' court at 10 o'clock a. m. January 11 A. D. 1928 in the commissioners' court room in the court house of Eastland county, Texas.

A certified check equal to the 10 percent of the amount of the bid must accompany each proposal guaranteeing the successful bidder entering into a contract with the county of Eastland.

A check of \$100.00 for general plans and \$25.00 for mechanical plans must be deposited with the architect's guaranteeing the safe return of plans and specifications.

Plans and specifications may be obtained from Lang & Wittich, architects, 300 American Exchange National Bank Building, Dallas, Tex.

The county reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

E. S. PRITCHARD,
County judge, Eastland Co. Tex.
Eastland, Tex., Dec. 12, 1927.

Handsome Posters
Entered By Ranger
School Children

Such gorgeous posters as came in today to the Ranger chamber of commerce, headquarters for the posters in the tree and rose campaign now on in Ranger.

These posters tell a story so plain of the home beautiful and of "he who plants a tree" that even the most illiterate man, woman or child can get a message from them.

The name of the artist is covered over with paper and the posters are numbered so that the judges, the public, will not be accused of favoring any one person. These posters are being placed in store windows in Ranger and are to be voted on by popular votes.

A small coupon in the Ranger Times supplies a vote. One looks at the posters and then sends or takes a vote to the chamber of commerce office where they will be counted on December 23. All votes must be in by noon of that day and the prizes will be awarded as soon as the votes are counted.

The poster contest closed today noon and even the committee receiving them were greatly surprised at the contributions that came in.

CALL OHIOAN OLDEST
COLLEGE GRADUATE

By United Press.

DELAWARE, O.—Dr. Samuel W. Williams, Wyoming, O., oldest living alumnus of Ohio Wesleyan university who recently celebrated his 100th birthday, is believed to be the oldest college graduate in the United States.

Officials of the Ohio Wesleyan alumni association here hope to hear from anyone who can challenge Dr. Williams' right to the title of the "oldest living college graduate."

Dr. Williams will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his graduation from Ohio Wesleyan university next June, having graduated in the class of 1848 of which he is the sole survivor. He has spent practically all of his life in Cincinnati aside from a few years spent teaching at Ohio Wesleyan and later at McKenzie College, Lebanon, Ill. He became connected with the Methodist Book Concern, Cincinnati, in 1859 and served as book editor for that organization during 50 years.

Some 10,000 volumes are included in the private library which Dr. Williams has collected. Although he is now unable to leave his home, due to the infirmities of old age, he is still able to read his Testament in the original Greek as a mental diversion.

MIAMI, Fla.—Miami Beach women are seeing stars as they never have before. Under the auspices of the Women's club, members are making study of astronomy. The new \$25,000 observatory and equipment for studying the heavenly bodies at the home of Gar Wood, the famous motorboat racer, has been placed at their convenience.

Just Wait, Joe!



Joe Tobish, S, returned from abroad on the S. S. Paris all togged out in the latest fashion. But it was admitted that he'd have to put that top per on the shelf before he met any of his friends back home in Trenton, N. J., where rocks are plentiful and kids have unerring aim!

A man awoke, saw someone robbing his trousers and blazed away, killing his wife. Moral: It's safer to kill your husband before rifling his pockets.

Californians Are
Seeking Graves Of
Old Dinosaurs

By United Press.

LOS ANGELES.—In the Galapagos islands, where weird, rare specimens of plant and animal life prevail, man is to seek out the burying ground of the dinosaurs.

The devil lizard of Komoda island, the repulsive sea snake and the missing treasure of the Cocos also will attract the 35 men of the Galapagos expedition who will sail from Los Angeles harbor on a nine months cruise Jan. 15.

In the party will be Dr. George Mishke Sutton, famous bird curator and one of the foremost bird painters of the United States. It was announced. Donald Teed of the Michigan Museum of Zoology is to gather specimens for that institution.

Under the direction of F. H. Herrick and George Knox, business manager, the expedition will sail in the yacht Sultana, to be skippered by Captain J. Carpelan.

The itinerary of the expedition includes Panama, the Cocos island, alapagos islands, Samoa, Fiji, Australia, Komoda and Boli islands, Java, Siam, Singapore, Borneo, Dutch Guinea, Marshall Islands and Hawaii.

Indefatigable island, of the Galapagos group, is believed by the leaders of the venture to possess the dinosaur graveyard. The Galapagos are said to have been touched by several parties, but the present expedition hopes to hack its way much deeper into the forbidding undergrowth than its predecessors.

An amphibian airplane, to be carried aboard the Sultana, would be pressed into service at this time to drop supplies too burdensome to be packed by land.

The dangerous devil lizard lives on land and water. The reptile, it is said, will attack men and has been known to swim 200 to 300 yards off shore to fight young sharks.

A small specimen brought out by a previous expedition died within a short time. Every facility will be provided aboard the Sultana for transporting the rare animals and delicate plants.

Specimens of the marine Iguana lizard and the devil fish also will be

brought back alive if possible.

Complete apparatus for motion pictures, together with a leading man and a leading woman, will be used in the production of a travelogue with a plot by Paul Perry, of the American Society of Cinematographers.

TITLED ENGLISHWOMEN
NOW TURN TO TRADES

By United Press.

LONDON.—Women of aristocracy and London society leaders are getting into the limelight of publicity.

Some are entering politics like Lady Iveagh, who recently won the Southend by-election. Others are turning to business for relief from the monotony of social life.

The latest recruits among titled English business women include the

Countess of Ypres, who has become a designer, and Lady Lawson, who has just announced her intention of opening a valeting service.

Lady Lawson declares that she herself will superintend the cleaning of the more delicate frocks which are sent to her firm to be cleaned.

A titled laundress is Lady Clonmel, who has been successfully running a laundry for some time past. Home-made cakes are the specialty of the Hon. Edith Fitzpatrick. She runs a quaint shop in Chelsea where many gourmets go for excellent specimens of the English equivalent of "patisserie."

Why does May wed with December, queries a puzzled observer. Presumably May thinks Santa Claus comes in December.

MIAMI.—Albert D. Lasker of Chicago, former chairman of the U. S. Shipping Board, is planning the erection of a \$100,000 residence at Miami Beach. Lasker is owner of a large advertising agency in Chicago and has manufacturing interests.

You will always be pleased at the Liberty on Thursday.—Adv.

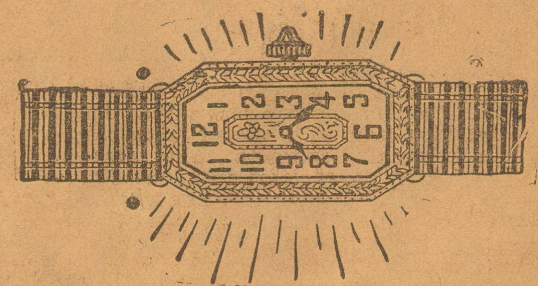
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There is a lifetime of pleasure and usefulness in the wearing of an Ollendorff.

Adjusted to heat, cold and different positions. The movements fitted in a variety of cases of superb design, all with a special dust-proof crown.

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GRUEN'S NEW WRISTLET

—See It Here!

This week's Saturday Evening Post announces a new Guild wrist watch—and this paper tells you it may be seen at this store now.

Small, dainty—solid gold and fitted with the Gruen Precision movement, this new creation represents a value at \$65 that has never been previously offered in a watch of this type.

Come and examine it for yourself—or any one of the many other Gruen's from \$35 to \$250.

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Ranger, Texas



Make It a

"Lingerie
Christmas"

With such lovely things to select from the gift seeker will be "pound wise" to decide on lingerie for every feminine friend on her gift list. Such lovely wisps of dainty georgette and glove silk undies in delicate shades sponsored by Paris.

Novelties make lovely gifts and you'll find some adorable ones here. Plenty of Hosiery, too, in the new shades. And there's Kerchiefs and Kloves that would please the most fastidious.

Cohn's Shoppe

READY-TO-WEAR AND MILLINERY

Ranger, Texas

Ranger Schools To Close Thursday, Reopen on Jan. 2

The Ranger public schools will close for the Christmas holidays on Thursday afternoon and open again on January 2, 1928, Prof. R. F. Holloway, superintendent of the schools announced today.

On Thursday morning at the chapel hour a traveling group of Bohemian glass blowers will give a program at the high school and will show the intricacies of glass blowing. They will also give a program at each of the ward schools on the same day.

These men are brought to Ranger under the auspices of the science department of the Ranger high school. A small fee of 15 cents will be charged and 50 percent of this will go to the science department for the purpose of purchasing laboratory equipment.

The program will be open to all who are interested in knowing more about the art of glass making.

Thursday is double program day at the Liberty.—Adv.

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0—LODGE NOTICES

Called meeting Ranger Lodge No. 738, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. Work in M. degree. Visitors welcome.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION—Ranger Masonic temple, Sunday afternoons Thursday nights; all degrees.

1—LOST AND FOUND
STRAYED—Nov. 28 from the Colly Harrel farm, Colony neighborhood, one dark bay mare colt, 2 years old, a tiny split in one ear, frosty tail. Notify Mrs. A. C. Tarrant, R. F. D. 4, Ranger.

LOST YOUR KEYS—We will make you more when you have none. Bicycle and Fixit Shop, Phone 592, 211 S. Rusk street, Ranger.

2—HELP WANTED—MALE
WANTED—A salesman with a car. Apply 311 Walnut st., Ranger.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES
CHRISTMAS GIFTS—Nothing is more appreciated by your friends and relatives than a nice photograph as a Christmas gift. Call and let us show you the many bargains in fine photographs, frames, etc. Call clearly, avoid the holiday rush. Ranger Studio, 215 South Rusk.

We will set our incubator Monday, Jan. 2, and each Monday thereafter. Let us do your hatching. Dudley Bros. Hatching, 105 S. Marston st., Ranger.

8—ROOMS FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Rooms at 425 Pine street, prefer two gentlemen. Phone 329-J, Ranger.

FOR RENT—Two light housekeeping rooms, gas, lights and water furnished. 1008 Strawn road, Ranger.

9—HOUSES FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Nice close in furnished house. Dr. Buchanan, Ranger.

FOR RENT—Four-room furnished house. Phone 249, Ranger.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Nicely furnished apartment. Marion Apartments, 607 W. Main st., Ranger.

12—WANTED TO BUY
SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right prices. Main Street Second-Hand Store, 530 Main st., Ranger. Phone 95.

13—FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS
FOR SALE—One set nearly new left hand golf clubs with case. Madocks and Son, Ranger.

FOR SALE—Piano, davenport with chairs to match, rugs, two mattresses, dining room chairs, bedroom set, buffet, chiffrerie, stoves, kitchen cabinet, refrigerator. See Mrs. Brooks, 611 Stevens Ave., Ranger.

FOR SALE—I have three diamond rings set in ladies white gold settings will sell at a bargain. Plenty of new and used wrist and pocket watches and chains. S. B. Alderson, Majestic Hotel, Ranger.

SHIPMAN WARD Underwood typewriter makes a real Christmas gift. Bicycle & Fixit Shop, phone 592, 211 S. Rusk street, Ranger.

FOR gas lights and supplies call at Dansker Gas & Electric Store, 117 So. Rusk St., opposite Liberty theatre. We carry a complete stock of gas lights and supplies; also gasoline lamps and supplies.

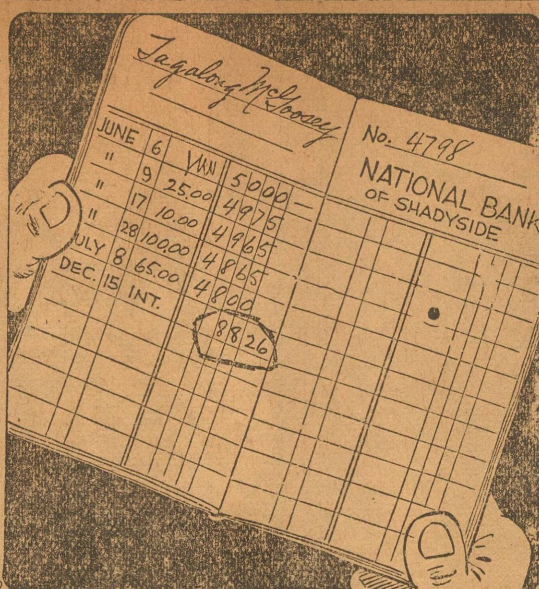
15—HOUSES FOR SALE
FOR RENT OR FOR SALE—3-room furnished house. Phone 486-J, Ranger.

22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK
TO LOVERS OF FINE DOGS: Registered pedigree German police dogs are Christmas gifts unusual. See Henry Nottingham at the Ranger Cafe, Ranger.

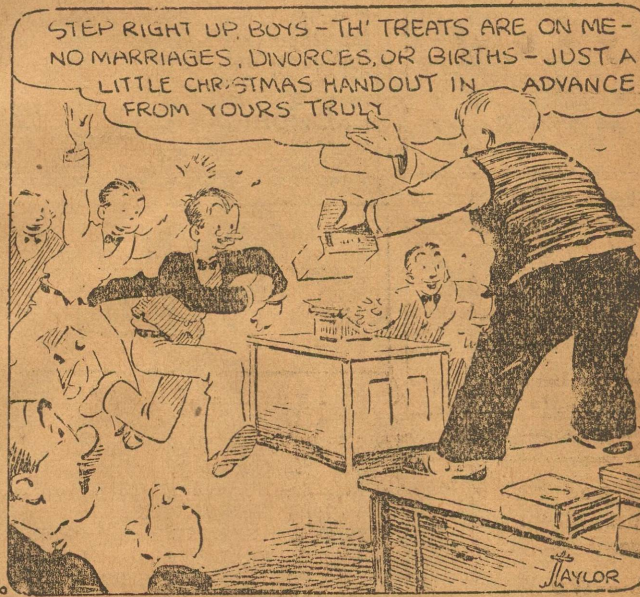
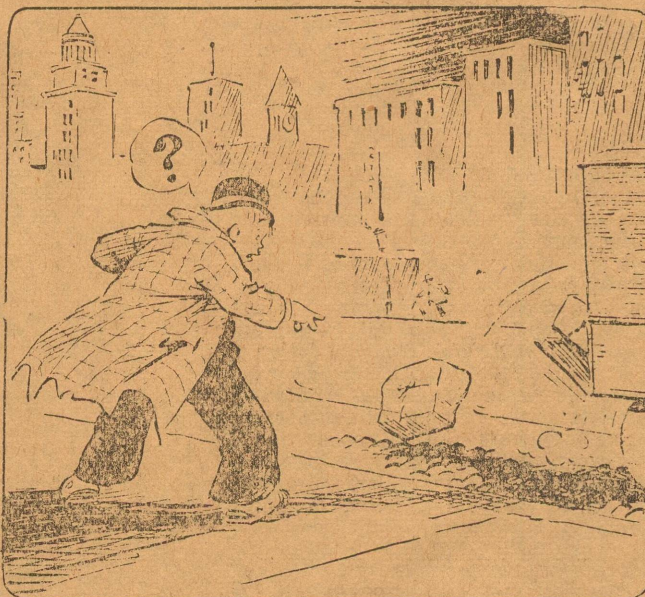
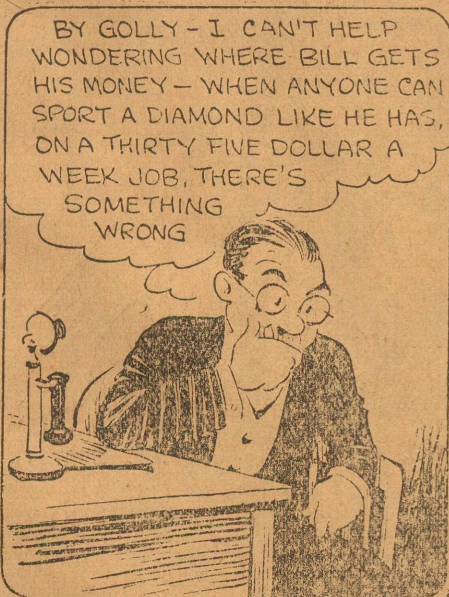
23—AUTOMOBILES
FOR SALE—Forced to sell at a bargain. Chevrolet 1925 model, 12 motor, condition, good rubber, for \$325.00, cash, if sold at once. See car at Ice Station, Ranger.

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Better new cars, come and see.
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



Mom'n Pop



By Taylor

The Blazing Horizon

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THE STORY THUS FAR: The story begins in 1880 in the wicked little town of Caldwell, Kans., close to the Indian territory border.

Tony Harrison, 13-year-old son of Jeff Harrison, a handsome gambler, is orphaned when Tom Benton, a cattle thief, shoots his father in a poker game.

The boy is befriended by Gordon W. Lillie, then a restaurant waiter and later to be known as Pawnee Bill; by Joe Craig, foreman of the Bar K ranch, who takes Tony to the Bar K to live, and by Colonel Titus Moore, owner of the ranch. Lillie thinks somewhat of joining David Payne, who is agitating for the opening of the Indian territory lands, but he gets an offer of a school teaching post in Pawnee and accepts it.

At the Bar K Tony Harrison meets Rita Moore, spirited little daughter of Titus Moore. That fall Tony accompanies Joe Craig to Caldwell, where Joe encounters Cashion, companion of Benton on the night of the shooting.

CHAPTER IX
Craig stared at him contemptuously. "I suppose you'll be saying next thing that you didn't help him get away?"

"He didn't need my help," Cashion protested. "I didn't know what kind of a man he was and I rode off with him. What would you have done if you'd been in my shoes?"

Craig ignored the question. "What made you decide to desert Benton after you'd been so friendly with him?"

"I made up my mind that I was through with him when I saw him shoot Jeff Harrison. I wouldn't of gone with him, but how could I of stayed? I figured I wasn't safe around here until they'd cooled down some."

"You sure were smart in figuring that way. You'd have dangled from the end of the rope and no mistake." He shot the other a keen, meaningful look. "You didn't happen to quit Benton because he mentioned something about holding up an express train, did you?"

"Who, me? Benton never mentioned anything like that." He reddened and shifted uncomfortably.

Shafer the town marshal, approached at that moment and Craig questioned him directly: "Shafer, what did Cashion here, tell you about parting company with Tom Benton?"

Shafer was a heavily built man, dark and with large overhanging eyebrows. He glanced quickly at Craig before replying to Joe Craig's question.

"He told me he wanted me to know that he wasn't associating with Benton. He came to me right after I was appointed marshal, or pretty soon after."

"You succeeded Fortune?" Craig asked.

"Yes. I know about Benton killing Harrison and was on the look-out for him. When Cashion came to me I was right favorably impressed with his good faith. When you come right down to it there's nothing to be said against Cashion I guess."

"Except that he made the mistake of traveling in bad company. In some places that's quite considerable."

Shafer laughed mirthlessly. "Did you happen to ask Cashion where he had left Benton?" Craig asked.

Shafer answered with some asperity. "Of course. He said Benton would be hiding out down in the Strip. Don't you suppose I know what my duty is?"

It didn't occur to me to question it," Craig blandly answered, "but since you raise the subject I'll bet that if I'd been marshal here I'd have gone straight to the federal marshal or one of his deputies and asked his advice. Of course, you haven't any authority in the Strip, but of federal men cover quite a lot of territory. They might have found Cashion right useful in leading them to Benton's hangout."

"You act like you don't believe Cashion's story," Shafer said angrily. "I do. When a man comes to me

when he found out he was a killer; and from a talk I had with Johnson, the United States deputy marshal, I learn that Shafer has intimated the evidence against Benton isn't as strong as it might be."

He accepted one of his employer's cigars, bit off the end and thoughtfully lit it. "The trouble is, a jury might let Benton off anyway, there being several witnesses ready to swear that Jeff Harrison was going for his gun when Benton killed him. The fact that there'd be others ready to swear that that was part of Benton's game, inasmuch as he had the drop on Harrison, might not make a bit of difference; it would depend on the jury. But why should Shafer act the part of attorney for the defense? However, I dug a little trap for him."

"I must have overlooked the digging," said Colonel Moore. "Elucidate."

"Sure. There's a charge of murder against Benton. If Cashion and Shafer are successful in getting the charges dropped, I'll be right active in complaining about an attempted murder. I've got Cashion's own admission, made in the presence of the marshal of Caldwell, that Benton fired the shot that went through my hat."

"And if Cashion and Shafer deny that the admission was made?"

"Then I'll know exactly what kind of men I'm dealing with. . . . Some time I might come to you with a request for a short leave of absence. Will it be all right?"

The colonel rose. "I guess I'll have to grant it, Joe."

There followed for Tony Harrison a long period of unbroken activity. Rita Moore and her mother had gone back to Kansas City and would not return until the Christmas holidays. Once a week someone from the ranch rode to Caldwell for the colonel's mail. It was an all-day trip and meant an early start and a late return, for Caldwell was 30 miles distant and 60 miles in one day was plenty for a horse, even for the tough, viry beasts that the cowpunchers favored.

Occasionally Joe Craig chose this task for himself, but if he learned anything more about Benton during his brief visits to Caldwell he kept it to himself.



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taking in every word. "Come on, Tony, I've got a little business to transact."

He lingered a moment to hurl a final remark to Cashion. "In case it transpires that you run across Benton some time you might inform him that I'm right anxious to exterminate him."

"I didn't know your personal interest in Benton was so strong," Shafer volunteered. "The law will take care of him when he's found."

"The night Benton left Caldwell in a hurry," Craig told him, "somebody shot a hole through my hat. It wasn't my fault my head wasn't in the way."

"You're sure it was Benton?"

"Well, Benton had expressed a mild distaste for me," He added, significantly, "if it wasn't him it was somebody with him," and he looked at Cashion.

"It was Benton, all right," Cashion hurriedly told him.

"Now if I was marshal," Craig said innocently, "and convinced of the good faith of Cashion here, as you are, I'd take that statement as proof that Benton tried to commit murder on my person." He turned abruptly and left.

Not far away they came upon a group of idlers in the center of which David Payne stood earnestly haranguing them. Payne looked up as Craig passed, and spoke. Craig answered him civilly, but Tony thought he detected a mixture of pity and contempt in the cowboy's expression as he walked on.

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"Then I'll know exactly what kind of men I'm dealing with. . . . Some time I might come to you with a request for a short leave of absence. Will it be all right?"

The colonel rose. "I guess I'll have to grant it, Joe."

There followed for Tony Harrison a long period of unbroken activity. Rita Moore and her mother had gone back to Kansas City and would not return until the Christmas holidays. Once a week someone from the ranch rode to Caldwell for the colonel's mail. It was an all-day trip and meant an early start and a late return, for Caldwell was 30 miles distant and 60 miles in one day was plenty for a horse, even for the tough, viry beasts that the cowpunchers favored.

Occasionally Joe Craig chose this task for himself, but if he learned anything more about Benton during his brief visits to Caldwell he kept it to himself.

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In common with his older comrades, Tony rolled out of his blankets before dawn and set about his duties without orders. But where the men worked until dark and later, he was compelled by Colonel Moore to knock off in the early afternoon. With Rita gone he was free to spend his leisure hours with the colonel's books and to experiment with his gunnery.

Autumn passed, and one morning he arose to find Cottonwood Creek glazed over with a thin film of ice. That afternoon the first snow fell and Tony ventured forth with his revolver and came back with four rabbits.

"One got away," he told Titus Moore, as he exhibited his kill. The colonel seemed highly amused at the naive admission.

The following week, he told Tony, they would drive to Caldwell in the buckboard and meet Mrs. Moore and Rita. "Besides," he added with a grim tightening of his lips, "there'll be something in Caldwell I want to see."

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Secret Bride



Six weeks after Clara Poulton became the secret bride of Attorney Richard P. Poulton of Chicago, her husband was mysteriously murdered. The attorney's body was found, badly beaten, in a loop basement after a meeting of a painters' local.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON.—The Hon. Thaddeus H. Caraway, senator from Arkansas, doesn't agree with Vice President Dawes in his desire to change the senate rules, but he has proposed to Dawes that the order of business in the senate be changed.

He suggested to Dawes, who presides over the senate, that immediately after the opening prayer each day, a period be devoted to the announcement of presidential candidacies. Caraway recalled that nearly all senators were receptive if not active candidates.

"I guess he didn't take me seriously," complains Caraway.

Senator Hendrik Shipstead of Minnesota seems to deserve some sort of a prize for originality. He's up for re-election next year and may have trouble, because he was elected on a Farmer-Labor ticket out there and the Farmer-Labor organization is reported rather shaky. In effect, he has been conducting an independent campaign, for he made nearly 150 speeches in every part of Minnesota before he returned for this session.

Instead of totting a set of canned speeches along with him and belaboring Wall Street and the corn monies by turn, he asked his audience what they wanted him to talk about and they named the subject.

Naturally, in Minnesota it generally had to do with farm problems, but Shipstead reports that his constituents demanded economic discussions instead of partisan speeches. He found that the farmers and the business men, who prosperity was dependent on the farmer's, wanted more than anything else an analysis of agriculture's economic position. Among other things, he told them that farm income had dropped 42 percent since 1920 while market value of 25 leading corporations had increased 70 percent. Meanwhile, he said, the total national payroll had dropped 30 percent and so on.

One feels instinctively that Shipstead is an honest man when he admits that he doesn't believe the assertions of aviation enthusiasts that airplane riding is safer—or as safe—as automobile riding. Shipstead was flown about considerably during his visit to Haiti last spring.

"A friend at Port au Prince invited me to lunch with Admiral Huchon on the battleship Seattle," he recalls. "It was only a 90-mile flight, he said, and perfectly safe. Safer than an automobile. I agreed that it probably was safe, and anyway, I'd go. But he saw I wasn't convinced. He assured me of the safety over and over again. 'When we got to the hanger he asked me to sign a paper and when I

looked at it, I found it made me agree that if I were killed the government wouldn't be responsible for damages. Then they started to tie a package onto me and I asked what that was; they said it was a parachute and told me how to work it, 'if anything happened.' Just as we were ready to fly, a fellow came along with a coop full of homing pigeons and explained to me that 'if anything happened' I could write a note and send it back to my friends. 'After we were in the air, my friend explained that we would go to the battleship over the mountains and return by flying over the sea. I asked, 'Will this thing on my back keep me afloat?' He replied, 'No, when you hit the water, you'll just have to swim.' 'Well, I can go out in an automobile without singing any papers, without wearing any parachute, with out any homing pigeons and without having to be prepared to swim.'"

GRANT NATURALIZATION TO EASTLAND RESIDENT

A certificate of naturalization as an American citizen was granted James George of Eastland Monday. The hearing was held before Judge Elze Ben of the Eighty-eighth district court. W. H. McDonald represented the commissioner of naturalization for this district, who had been in Eastland beforehand and secured evidence in the case.

James George, whose name before the court changed it to George, was Demetrios Georgou, a native of Greece. He has been in the United States since 1907 and has been in Eastland, where he operates a cafe and is known as "the chili king," since 1919.

Mr. George has been very successful in business since he has been in Eastland.

We don't see how you can afford to miss going to the Liberty on Thursday.—Adv.

A NEW SHIPMENT OF GIFTS UNUSUAL

In anticipation of the fact that stocks are often picked over before late shoppers are through with their shopping, we arranged for a shipment of gifts to arrive just in time to unpack and show during this last week of shopping.

Many of these gifts are on display in our window, while hundreds of others are inside the store. Below are a few suggestions.

Pyralin Dresser Sets

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Consisting of tray, pitcher and six glasses in different patterns and designs. A really unusual gift—\$3.95 to \$9.95.

Lemonade Sets

An opaque glass container with a spigot for filling the six small glasses in the set. A handsome set for the buffet—\$16.50.

Manicure Sets

Good steel instruments with pyralin handles in leather cases. A variety of sizes and prices ranging from \$3.25 to \$5.25.

Dolls

This new shipment of Dolls arrived in time for Christmas, our first shipment having been all sold out. These Polly Prim and Bye-Lo Dolls that look so much like a real baby, \$1.95 to \$4.95

Children's Novelties

For boys and girls and infants, our stock of novelty gifts for children is quite complete. Come in and see them.

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Miss Thelma Smith of Weatherford is home for the holidays.

Miss Gladys Woods spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Ila Mac Hamilton.

Several of the people of this community went to the entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. Neil Stephens Friday night.

J. L. McGaha and family visited his brother, W. S. McGaha Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Bennett were in Ranger Saturday doing their Christmas shopping.

Miss Velma Woods attended the Sunday school social of the mid-way community Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nelson of near Gorman visited Mrs. Nelson's mother Mrs. Barnett.

Every one is invited to come to our Christmas tree at the school house Friday night. This tree is for the school children and we would appreciate your interest in coming. A program will be rendered by the children, sponsored by their teachers.

EASTLAND COUNTY MEN ON CHILD WELFARE BOARD

The names of two prominent Eastland county men, those of Hon. R. Q. Lee of Cisco and Judge Tom J. Guinn of Eastland, appear on the advisory board of West Texas Children's Aid and Welfare association of Abilene. Rev. W. A. Nicholas of Abilene is superintendent of the association. The purpose of the association is to assist orphan, needy and delinquent children to find homes, places of employment, etc., in surroundings that will tend to uplift them.

Fluffy Ruffles



Even our lounging pajamas have gone feminine in this fuzzy season. Lacy jabots now fluff about the necks of the most tailored ones.

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EASTLAND MERCHANTS TO CLOSE NEXT MONDAY

Miss Ann Hardin, secretary of the Eastland Retail Merchants' association, stated this morning that all places of business in Eastland with the possible exception of the filling stations, would be closed all day Monday following Christmas.

DALLAS MAN SENDS \$5 TO GOOD FELLOWS FUND

A. L. Erin of Dallas, large property owner in Ranger, is a Good Fellow, stated this morning that all places of business in Eastland with the possible exception of the filling stations, would be closed all day Monday following Christmas.

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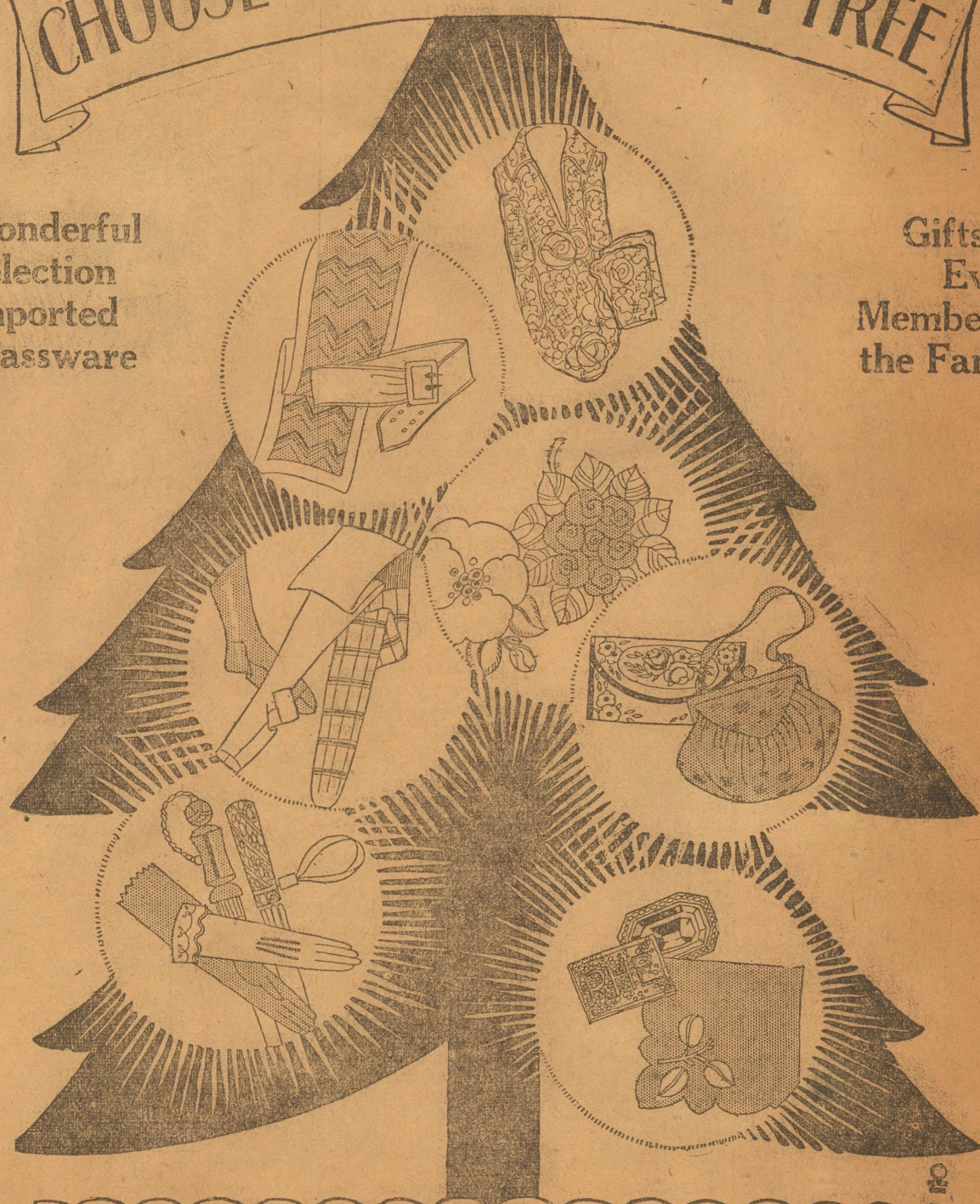
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