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Ma's Clemency Acts Total 1315

C-C Planning A Full Survey Of Industries

Chatham Announces Work Will Start This Month

A thorough industrial survey of Wichita Falls is to be undertaken by the chamber of commerce early this year, it was announced Thursday by I. W. Chatham, industrial commissioner and traffic manager of the chamber under whose supervision the work will be undertaken. The survey is intended to bring out data that will be of value to the city in the expansion of its field of commerce and industry.

That this move is a necessary one is the concensus of opinion of directors of the chamber and leading business men here. An appropriation of some $42,000 has been set aside in the 1926 budget for the industrial work.

Makes a Statement.

In announcing the survey Mr. Chatham had the following to say:

"A definite plan for the future manufacturing, commercial and civic development of Wichita Falls to enable the city to hold her rightful place of leadership among Texas communities, to expand and multiply her industries and expand her field of trade, will be undertaken by the Wichita Falls chamber of commerce in its industrial survey which will start early in January, 1926. It will tell of Wichita Falls' advantages and her handicaps and how the latter may be overcome.

The city that fails built has reached a point in its development where it is found necessary to secure more adequate industries and enlarge its trade territories. The Budget Committee appointed several weeks ago, have recommended that Wichita Falls chamber of commerce should have $100,000 in 1926, $42,000 of which will be expended for industrial and transportation development.

Freight Rates.

It has long been known that Wichita Falls has been discriminated against in many freight rate problems. The transportation department will immediately start out to adjust these differences and place our city

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Houston Leads in Building in State

HOUSTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Houston's building permits for 1925 passed the $50,000,000 mark by $40,000 today when the day's total amounted to $302,150. This figure placed Houston at the lead of southwestern cities and second in the south only to Miami, Florida. Dallas was in Houston's wake with yearly permits totaling $28,379,558. Other Texas cities were far below DsDllas.

Figures for other Texas cities: San Antonio $9,428,043; Austin $2,330,842; Waco $1,887,298; Galveston $1,707,371; Wichita Falls $5,904,556; Fort Worth $9,141,000. Beaumont $1,625,900.

TEXAS CITY GIVES AID TO MEXICO MINE VICTIMS.

EAGLE PASS, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A contribution for the widows and orphans of miners who lost their lives in the explosion last week in the Commercial Coal company's mine, near Muzzquiz, Mexico, 100 miles from Eagle Pass, has been made by the people of this city. Latest reports of the explosion state that 41 miners were killed in the disaster, and eight seriously injured.

Robbed of $3,000 Fixing Flat Tire

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—P. L. Crews, real estate man, was held up and robbed in Alamo Heights a suburb this afternoon of $3,000 in cash, he told the police.

Crews was fixing a flat tire on his car, according to his story, when two men approached him from behind, covered him with a pistol, emptied his pockets of three $1,000 bills and fled in an automobile.

W. E. POPE RESOLVES TO STAY OUT OF POLITICS.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Staying out of politics is his new year's resolution, W. Elmer Pope of Corpus Christi, leader of the retrenchers who clashed appropriations in the house for four years, and candidate for governor, two years ago.

"I'm here on business. I'm too young to talk politics, and I'm at peace with the world," the former candidate declared.

Gates Ajar

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Clemency granted today by Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson included two conditional pardons, three paroles, five furloughs and extensions of five furloughs. The governor also revoked a conditional pardon, that of E. L. Campbell, Bexar county, sentenced to ten years for theft.

Brother, Missing 40 Years, Found By Aid of Radio

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Radio flashing a message over nearly 1,000 miles of space will unit a brother and sister at Worthington, near here tomorrow after a separation of 40 years.

Mrs. Robert Eakin longed to see her brother, Alonzo Jones, on New Year's day. She did not know where he was. Then, she said, she had a dream she could reach him by radio. She told her story to officials of WEAO, Ohio State university radio casting station.

Several weeks ago Jones and his four children were sitting around their radio in their plantation home in the town of Tomato, Mississippi county, Arkansas. A daughter was listening in. Clearly and distinctly came this message:

"Alonzo Jones, wherever you are, listen! Your sister wants to see you at Worthington, Ohio. She has not seen or heard from you in 40 years. You were born at Antiquity, Meigs county, Ohio, at the time of the Civil war."

Jones telegraphed his sister he would meet her in her Worthington home tomorrow. They are the only living members of their family.

TAMMANY RULES ALL NEW YORK

Walker Takes Office As Mayor, Rounding Out Control By Group

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Tonight, James J. Walker of Tammany took office as mayor of New York. Into office also went an entire Tammany administration, placing for the first time in history a Tammany government over the state and the city at the same time.

George V. McLaughlin, former state superintendent of banks, Walker's choice for police commissioner to succeed Richard E. Enright, went into that office ahead of time having been appointed by William T. Collins, president of the board of aldermen and acting mayor since John F. Hylan's retirement at midnight last night.

Pension for Hylan.

Mr. Hylan takes with him into private life a pension of $4,205.99 a year.

Enright, who retired at the same time as Hylan receives $5,000 a year pension. Several other officers in the police department favorites of Commissioner Enright, also availed themselves of the opportunity to retire on half pay.

Mr. Walker's cabinet is made up of almost entirely Tammany men. He has pledged that vice, gambling and the underworld resorts must go.

Mr. Wefker, former Greenwich village song writer, state senator and Tammany politican enters upon four years as mayor and the supervision of the spending of close to a billion dollars for the administration of the city's government.

WALL STREET TO CLOSE UP SHOP ON NEW YEAR'S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Wall Street will observe New Year's day with the closing of the stock exchange and all other exchanges and commodity markets. As it is a legal holiday, the banks also will be closed. The commodity markets are taking a three-day recess until Monday, but the stock exchange, the curb market, the consolidated stock exchange and banking institutions will resume business on Saturday.

He Resolves To Wed During 1926

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Outstanding in a symposium of New Year resoolutions of prominent Dallas persons quoted here today is that of District Attorney Shelby Cox, who admits that he is resolved to marry in 1926.

"You know I'll be going out of office at the end of the year, and I must take precautions against loneliness," he said.

SAN ANTONIO POLL TAX IS 4,000 AHEAD OF YEAR 1924.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Poll tax shipments were more than 4,000 ahead of the close of 1924, according to a report made by tax collector R. Neil Campbell at the close of business today, but there must be a strong gain from now on if the goal of 60,000 is reached. The books showed 17,641 receipts issued.

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ALL FORT WORTH OUT.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Balls and watch parties, radio concerts and theatre frolics ushered in the new year here tonight in one of the most generally observed celebrations in years.

Despite hints of out-of-town dry raiders to be expected there was no falling off in demand for admission to the gayest affairs. Leading hotels and fraternal organizations held midnight balls and frolics while church organization sponsored a less hilarious form of entertainment.

DALLAS HURLS CONFETTI.

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Downtown Dallas tonight wrapped up the first quarter of the twentieth century in confetti to strains of jazz, laughter and song, while prohibition officers tempered the frolics by vigilant surveillance of the passing year. Club quarters, hotel lobbies and ball rooms, churches and homes were scenes of myriad watch parties.

PROHI AGENTS ON WATCH.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Kansas City's public reception for the infant new year, came under the close scrutiny of federal prohibition officers and police tonight. There was a scarcity of liquor and what was to be had was quoted at higher prices than usual.

San Antonio Is Careful.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—San Antonians—at least a part of them—were apprehensive as they welcomed the New Year.

Forewarned by federeal dry agnts and Chief of Police Miller that any display of intoxicants would result in arrest and that the paths of rowdyism would lead to the city calaboose, many local celebrants did their drinking surreptitiously. As strains of jazz floated from dance places, the churches were holding watch night services and there were midnight masses at the Cathedrals.

Paris Is Quiet.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—New Year's eve was being celebrated quietly in Paris tonight, the restaurants made no great preparations for the revelion as many were caught overstocked on Christmas eve, since the average Frenchman is frightened by the high prices demanded, preferred to dine at home.

New Year's eve in France above all is a friendly family affair.

Dances in Austin.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Shriners and members of the American Legion welcomed the New Year here in dances held by the two organizations at leading hotels. Members of the country club held their annual dance at the country club here tonight.

THE WEATHER



"I meant to be polite at Pug's party, but if I hadn't of hurried up I wouldn't of got a second piece of cake"

Local weather conditions for the past 24-hour period as reported by the Wichita Falls Electric company bureau: Maximum temperature 48 degrees; minimum 26 degrees; at 5 p. m. 44 degrees; no precipitation; southeast breeze; cloudy; average wind velocity 3 miles per hour, maximum wind velocity 5 miles per hour; barometer 29.56.

OKLAHOMA: Friday and Saturday partly cloudy; little change in temperature.

EAST TEXAS: Friday partly cloudy to cloudy, probably light rain near the coast; slowly rising temperature; Saturday partly cloudy, light to moderate northerly to easterly winds on the coast.

WEST TEXAS: Friday and Saturday partly cloudy, little change in temperature.

THE DAY IN WICHITA FALLS.

The Olympic, "The King on Main Street;" Bert Levey vaudeville.

The Strand, "Don Q Son of Zorro."

The Palace, "When Romance Rides," Muller's Musical Maids.

The Mission, "The Last Edition."

$4,426,917 IS GIVEN TO TEXAS FOR ROAD WORK

Gets Largest Share for Any State on Federal Aid Highway Projects

TOTAL $73,125,000

Is For Use During Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1926; N. Y. Second

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—(AP)—Apportionment of $73,125,000 among the states for use during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1926, in construction of federal aid roads was announced today by Secretary Jardine. Texas will receive $4,426,917, the largest share for any state.

New York, with $3,647,166, Pennsylvania with $3,346,929, and Illinois with $3,175,616 follow with the next largest shares.

Other Apportionments.

Other apportionments are:

Alabama $1,540,799; Arizona $1,855,905; Arkansas $1,267,907; California $2,484,706; Colorado $1,389,584; Connecticut $473,428; Delaware $365,625; Florida $897,185; Georgia $1,981,189; Idaho $936,589; Indiana $1,935,890; Iowa $2,060,469; Kansas $2,672,166; Kentucky $1,416,899; Louisiana $1,000,764; Maine $688,574; Maryland $634,624; Massachusetts $1,089,055; Michigan $2,217,418; Minnesota $2,139,168; Mississippi $1,293,203; Missouri $2,406,847; Montana $1,551,660; Nebraska $1,588,138; Nevada $948,318; New Hampshire $365,265; New Jersey $934,708; New Mexico $1,187,264; North Carolina $1,708,544; North Dakota $1,193,720; Ohio $2,777,037; Oklahoma $1,752,245; Oregon $1,182,945; Rhode Island $365,625; South Carolina $1,051,995; South Dakota $1,222,198; Tennessee $1,628,419; Utah $848,251; Vermont $365,625; Virginia $1,445,852; Washington $1,130,080; West Virginia $793,936; Wisconsin $1,870,262; Wyoming $935,594; Hawaii territory $365,625.

Prince Renounces Right to Throne; Successor Named

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Dec. 31.—Crown Prince Carol has renounced his succession to the throne and all perogatives of that rank, including membership in the royal family.

The king accepted the renunciation and summoned a crown council at Pelesch castle today appealing to the members to support him in proclaiming his grandson, Prince Michael, as the new heir.

Dispatches from Bucharest recently told of the revelries of Crown Prince Carol. Queen Marie instituted a search for her errant son, but he evaded her officers at every turn. Reports indicated the sunny skies of Italy and the sunny smiles of a beautiful Italian woman are proving the chief attractions which are keeping the 32-year-old, once heir apparent, aloof from the royal domicile. This is Carol's third affair of the heart.

374 FAILURES IN U. S. LAST WEEK, DUN REPORTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—R. G. Dun and company reports 374 commercial failures in the United States this week, against 334 last week, 472 the preceding week and 445 a year ago. Insolvencies in the Pacific states were larger this week than the corresponding period last year, but smaller in the east, south and west.

HEADLIGHT TESTS BEING MADE THROUGHOUT STATE

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Automobile owners are having the lights of their machines tested and a hundred per cent enforcement of the headlight law is expected this year, the headlight division of the state highway department announced today. The 2200 test stations are somewhat crowded during the first annual pre-registration tests.

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ELKS CLUB RAIDED.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A squad of 12 federal prohibition agents raided the Elks clubhouse here late today and confiscated a quantity of liquor members had stored away for a New Year's party tonight. The club had made arrangements to entertain 500 members and their guests at a New Year's celebration.

ATWELL SURPRISE.

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Judge William Hawles Atwell, grand exalted ruler of the benevolent and protective order of Elks, when notified Thursday night of the seizure of liquor in the Elks club at St. Louis, said:

"It is rather surprising that members of a great national order will so far forget themselves as to humiliate the organization."

He recently suspended for 30 days, New York lodge number one, B. P. O. E., following liquor seizures in their grill room.

LET'S FORGET, IS MA'S PLEA

"What Happened Yesterday Has Been Consigned To Tomb," Governor

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—In New Year greetings to the people of Texas, Governor Miriam A. Ferguson said that the future concerns all, the past year is a memory, and pleaded for cooperation to make the New Year one of happiness and prosperity.

"In appreciation of Texas and Texas people and in view of my earnest desire to serve them faithfully and well, and to assist in making 1926 the happiest and most prosperous in the history of the state, I extend cordial greetings to all, and sincere wishes for the success, health and good fortune of every person within our gates.

"The year of 1925, with all of its joys and sorrows, its failures and successes, has joined its fellows in the great ocean of the past," the greeting read.

New Year Is An Event.

"The old year is a memory. The new year is an event. A tear for the old—a warm handclasp for the new. A sigh for the departed—a song for the new guest. What happened yesterday has been consigned to the tomb. The future concerns us all.

"This is a time for friendly greeting and well-wishing. It is a season to renew obligations of friendship and citizenship—to make the best of life as well as the most of it. Let us accept this new page and its results like builders and philosophers, ever realizing that gains and losses go hand in hand. Man has a mission—to leave the world better than he found it. He was not placed here to be an idler.

Tells of Possibilities.

"Texas, the magnificent, has still undreamed of possibilities within her grasp. Texas has a constructive and progresive citizenship. Let us all cooperate to make the new year one of marked happiness and prosperity. May we greet this new year with confidence and assurance, and a renewed desire to be broader and better citizens, and more worthy and faithful servants. Let us radiate more sunshine to our fellowman and scatter with a spendthrift hand the seeds of kindness and charity.

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Prairie Pipe Line In Control of Prairie

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Prairie Pipe Line company, which has purchased a controlling interest in the Pure Oil Pipe Line company, will take over the latter's property Friday, it was announced Thursday. W. P. Gage, general manager of the Pure Oil Pipe Line company has tendered his resignation.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER IS ABLE TO SIT UP FOR TIME

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Colonel John C. Coolidge, father of the president, was able to sit up for a time today and to transact a little business, his physician, T. W. Cram, of Bridgewater, reported. Colonel Coolidge has been bed ridden several days since he lost the use of his lower limbs.

3 Fire Alarms

City firemen got a strenuous introduction to 1926 early Friday morning when, between midnight and 1 o'clock they were called out on three alarms. The first came from Scott and Eleventh where a pile of firecrackers a boy was selling at the policeman's ball caught fire. Both the other runs were false alarms, one coming from Kemp and Avenue L and the other from Travis and Fifteenth.

IF TRUTH SERUM IS TRUTHFUL, HE IS NOT SLAYER

Holdenville Man Who Went To Prison Stands Scopolamin Test Favorably

DENIES PART IN CRIME

Doomed to Penitentiary for Life, He Volunteers to Undergo Quiz

HOLDENVILLE, Okla., Dec. 31. Calude C. Newton, who went to the penitentiary for life protesting that he was innocent of the murder of Briggs Chumley, Oklahoma City policeman today repeated the declaration while under the influence of the scopolamin, the so-called "truth serum."

Newton came from the penitentiary at McAlester under guard at his own request and submitted himself as a subject for the demonstration of the serum before the annual convention of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' association.

At the conclusion of the examination Dr. R. E. House of Ferris, Texas, discoverer of the serum declared:

An Innocent Man.

"An innocent man is serving a term in the Oklahoma penitentiary or there is nothing in the truth serum."

Governor Trapp, who was present at the exhibition and heard Dr. House and a committee of officers ply Newton with questions, declined to comment except to say that he regarded the test "merely as a scientific demonstration."

Newton was convicted after a sensational trial in Oklahoma City in which the location of Chumley's slayer hinged largely on a question of identity. Never once did Newton waver in his denial that he was the man, and when a call went out for volunteer for the scopolamin test he was the first to offer. He admitted he had served twenty-two months in the Texas penitentiary for burglary.

Newton did not regain consciousness for some time after the test was completed. He awoke to find his guards awaiting to take him back to the gray stone prison.

FIRE BLAST FATAL FOR 40

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Forty persons have been killed and fifty injured and 200 others are missing in an explosion at a fireworks factory at Macao, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Hong Kong. All of the dead, injured and missing are Chinese and most of them women. Macao is a Portugese dependency 35 miles west of Hong Kong.

Coal Mine Fuss Is No Nearer End

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The anthracite wage conference took a recess tonight until next Tuesday. "While it can not be said that the parties are any nearer agreement than when they met," said an official statement issued after the adjournment, "it is true that each side has made progress toward a better understanding of the problem and view points of the others and of the reasons for their respective positions."

TEXANS AND OKLAHOMANS ENTER LONG BEACH PLAY.

LONG BEACH, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP)—The entry list for the $2,500 Long Beach open golf tournament at Virginia Country club here Jan. 2 and 3 includes leading Canadian and American players. Those from Texas and Oklahoma are:

Tom Lally, San Antonio Country club; Joe Lally, El Paso Country club; F. M. Lewis Jr., San Antonio Country club; Robbie Cruickshank, Twin Hills Country club, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Harry Cooper, Tenison Park Golf course, Dallas, Texas; S. W. Hutchison, Ponca Country club, Ponca City, Okla.

LIBERTY BELL TOLLS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Liberty Bell at midnight tonight was successfully rung for the first time in 90 years. Microphones, radio amplifiers and broadcasting stations carried the tones throughout the United States.

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WORLD WIDE RADIO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The radio world will launch the new year tomorrow night with the most elaborate attempt yet made to bring all the earth in speaking distance.

From New York a program of music and greeting will be broadcast to Europe. In reply another will be sent back from London. And to make it a world wide event, news dispatches received by radio telegraph from the Orient and south and Central America will be relayed across the Atlantic from New York.

Nine Stations.

Nine of the most powerful broadcasting stations in the United States have been linked for the attempt. Official listening posts have been established in every quarter of the globe to glean what ever scientific knowledge they may from the event, and several hundred ships at sea are to cooperate.

The American program, broadcast originally from station WJZ, in New York City will begin at 6:30 o'clock eastern standard time. John McCormack and Lucrezia Bori will be the principals on the musical program. London stations will relay the program to the continent.

The chimes of "Big Ben" in London will be heard in reply between 6:45 and 7:30 o'clock. They in turn will be answered by the Carillon at the Park Avenue Baptist church in New York.

TEXAS DRY LAW CHIEF FLAYED

White's War Record and Search Of Man For Liquor, Attacked

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—"My conscience is clear," Mayor H. H. White, federal prohibition director for Texas and Oklahoma, under fire from two angles said at his headquarters here tonight regarding suit for $100,000 for alleged illegal search of R. C. Mann, creamery president in the elevator of the Texas hotel here Tuesday night and attacks on his war record. Grand jury investigation of the search was promised by District Attorney R. K. Hanger.

White Is Silent.

Major White refused to discuss whether he would or would not take any action against George Bryant, federal dry agent. Mann alleges Bryant made the search of Mann and two companions during the salesmen's frolic at the hotel by direction of the prohibition director. White, however, declared that search without a warrant is legal under certain circumstances.

War Record Assailed.

The dry director's war record was assailed in a letter from Joseph J. Rosenbloom, commander of the American Legion post at Okmulgee, Okla., to Lincoln C. Andrews, in charge of national prohibition enforcement in which Rosenbloom urged removal of White on ground that the latter had been tried by court martial and ordered dismissed from the army prior to his appointment to the prohibition office.

White asserted that he had "plenty of reasons" for ordering the search of Mann and his two companions Tuesday night and declared that the whole affair occupied less than a minute.

McChord Resigns From Commission

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Calvin Coolidge has accepted the resignation of C. C. McChord as member of the interstate commerce commission effective tomorrow. The announcement was made late today at the White House after it had been announced earlier that Mr. McChord would remain with the commission until a successor qualifies. When his resignation was announced recently the president submitted to the senate the nomination of R. V. Taylor, a democrat, of Mobile, Ala., to succeed him on the commission.

CARAWAY PLAYS TODAY.

SHERMAN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Ebb Caraway, star Bearcat fullback, ruled ineligible as a Sherman high school football player by Texas Interscholastic League officials on grounds that he was over 21, still appear tomorrow in the lineup against Bellefonte Academy champions of the United States. Caraway claims he will be 21 years old Jan. 1, and will celebrate by playing in the game.

IS BELIEVED TO SET RECORD IN TEXAS AND U. S.

1410 Proclamations Were Issued on All Subjects Since Jan. 20, 1925

AIDS THE FRIENDLESS

Extreme Youth and Old Age Also Given as Reasons For Many Pardons

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Since her inauguration January 20, 1925, Governor Miriam A. Ferguson has issued on all subjects 1,410 proclamations. Of these, 1,335 pertained to Texas prisoners; 1,315 were clemency proclamations, records in the secretary of state's office shows. Twenty were revocations of conditional pardons, furloughs, or paroles. These records show that 821 prisoners were granted liberty by full or conditional pardon or by paroles.

This is believed to be a record for Texas, if not for the United States. The woman governor's pardon policy has attracted nation wide attention.

In the generous exercise of her clemency power, proclamations show the governor has been influenced by extreme youth and old age, and by friendlessness, aid and poverty. The terms "mere youth," "unfortunate," friendless and penniless convict" appear frequently in her proclamations.

725 Pardons.

A compilation by the A. Press shows 224 full pardons, conditional pardons, 137 restorations of citizenship, 173 furloughs, 96 paroles, 99 extensions of paroles, seven commutations of death sentences to life imprisonment, four respites, 42 remissions of fines and jail sentences, 14 proclamations "not returned from the penitentiary and unclassified." This includes two conditional pardons, three paroles, five furloughs and five extensions of furloughs granted today at the close of 1925, and on the eve of the death by the electric chair at Huntsville of Melton Carr, negro convicted of criminal assault.

Because most of the extensions were short and frequently several were granted one prisoner, many were not announced. This accounts mainly for the number of clemency proclamations shown by the records being larger than compilations based on proclamations announced. All full and conditional pardons were announced from the governor's office.

Liquor Cases Lead.

Many granted clemency were convicted on more than one charge. Liquor violators led all others; 361 persons convicted of violating liquor laws were granted either full or conditional pardons, restorations of citizenship, furloughs, extensions of furloughs, paroles or remissions of fines and jail sentences. Those convicted of murder were second with 214. Among the slayers were approximately 25 woman.

The day following her inauguration, Governor Ferguson, January 21, granted her first act of clemency, a sixty day furlough to Salvestom Montalbano under a fifteen-year sentence for murder.

January 22, she granted her first pardon, conditional to Frank Alkalee, serving a one-year sentence from Milam county on a liquor violation.

Cherokees Ratify Lawyer Contract

MIAMI, Okla., Dec. 31.—(AP)—A contract employing George W. Fields of Oklahoma City and John F. McMurray of McAlester, to represent Oklahoma heirs of the Texas Cherokee Indians in a suit against the state of Texas, in which lands valued at $30,000,000 are involved, has been ratified here at a meeting of 300 heirs.

YOUNG GRAY WOLF SLAIN ON EDGE OF KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A young gray wolf was shot and killed today near 18th Street and Kersey Coates Drive, less than a mile from the downtown business district.

3 FORD PLANES ON WAY TO FLORIDA IN CRASH

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Three of the Ford-Stout all-metal passenger planes en route to Florida were badly damaged in an accident today. No one was hurt.

THE DAY IN WASHINGTON.

General Pershing was authorized to come home.

Prosperity for 1926, was predicted by Secretary Mellon.

Argument in the Nickel Plate merger hearings were completed.

Secretary Jardine announced a center set on farm surplus problems.

Secretary Mellon reported tax refunds of $151,885,415 for the last fiscal year.

Beans For Breakfast Or Waffles For Supper? Ask The Record News Question Box About Diet Doubts

"MAY I serve beans and peas at the same meal?"

"What are vitamins and are they really essential for health?"

"Is coffee really harmful to the school child?"

"Is it detrimental to a child to go to school without breakfast?"

The above questions are examples of those that are constantly being asked Miss Beatrice Hall, Red Cross nutritionist who is working under the local chapter of Red Cross in cooperation with the public schools, and in order to meet the demand for answers, she is conducting a question box in the Record News starting Sunday. She will answer the questions asked through the columns of the paper. The questions may or may not be signed as the writer prefers, she stated.

Questions may be sent to her in care of the Nutrition Department of the Red Cross, county court house.

"The question box will not be advice to the lovelorn or beauty hints, but questions pertaining to the diet of every member of the family will be answered," Miss Hall said last night.

"Many persons are anxious to have 'fattening' diets, and others want a 'thinning' diet; mothers have asked diets for the 'run ab' child, and about diet during pregnancy, I shall endeavor to answer those questions satisfactorily," she said.

Bossy In The Well Causes Commotion In Seymour Neighborhood

SEYMOUR, Dec. 31.—The lure of the "greener field beyond," instinctive of the bovine family, has brought woe to one of the daughters.

The valuable milk cow of W. E. England caused quite a commotion in her neighborhood. She thought she would visit a grocer pasture and help herself to the nearby turnip greens. When crossing over an abandoned well the boards gave way and she fell in backwards. Neighbors and friends came in to help, but in no way could the animal be removed. Finally, the men dug down and took out part of the well and dug a trench through which Jay Morgan pulled her out with his team.

SENATORSHIP A RAINBOW'S END FOR FERGUSON

Ma Certain to Run for Governor; Jim Dreams Of a Place in Congress

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 31.—The United States senatorship is the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

But the whole arc of James E. Ferguson's public life inevitably projects the Fergusons into the governor's race again next year. Regardless of the rumors and claims they would not run again, after the highway storm.

They would probably run even if both were very tired of the governorship, for the strategic advantage of "center stage" and spotlight position for the bigger race that Ferguson is credited with the purpose of making in 1928.

By RAYMOND BROOKS

Their political movements, as well as their victories, have been spectacular always; and it is already being predicted the re-election campaign will be launched with a spectacular play.

May Keep Silent.

This announcement is being rumored for January 13, anniversary of Mrs. Ferguson's inauguration. Other opinions are that the Fergusons will wait as long as possible, feeling that they thereby keep tober would-be candidates out of the race.

Was the Ferguson assumption of responsibility in the highway contracts, in the spectacular move which staked the whole pile of chips on defeat of the American Road company suit, an example of "spotlight-itis?" is being asked. Was James E. Ferguson unwilling that anybody else should be the center of the scrap, even of an attack?

That move is being taken to indicate the Ferguson mind is still following the same channels. What has been that course? Ferguson was elected in 1914. Re-elected in 1916. Impeached in 1917. Ran for re-election in 1918 when he by no stretch of his imagination expected re-election. Ran for president of the United States in 1920 on the American party platform and led many of his loyal friends into that temporary party. Ran for the senate in 1922, nosed out Senator Culberson, and was overwhelmingly defeated in the run-off by Senator Mayfield. In 1924 he announced for re-election, was excluded from the ticket; announced his wife would run on the platform he had prepared; and by the numerous candidates in the field, "lucked" into that political miracle of state united to defeat the klan-endorsed candidate with Mrs. Ferguson the alternative selection.

Senate His Goal.

That leads to the question: Which of the Fergusons will run for re-election, and the answer to this can be given without a question of doubt assuming they will follow the consistent course since he first showed upon the political horizon of Texas, running at every election. As Ferguson's goal is the United senate. For that race, his advise him the amnesty bill not be tested, that being a office. Mrs. Ferguson has the plea of second-term recognition. She answers her definite promise she would not run again with the statement that the administration is under attack and entitled to a vote of vindication. The Fergusons, it may be said with assurance, had rather run for re-election next year and be defeated, than to retire under fire and either attempt to hand the 150,000 following on to somebody else or to let it disintegrate before the senatorial race starts. A defeat is only campaign material for Ferguson anyway.

So, on the hypothetic the Fergusons will be in the race, Mrs. Ferguson will be the candidate next year.

That will have much to do with shaping the rest of the field.

Satterwhite Out.

Speaker Lee Satterwhite has dealt himself out of the possibilities.

Barry Miller, who has taken no side in the highway fight; and since his election with the Fergusons has nominally kept in the ranks, obviously cannot run against the Fergusons.

Mrs. Edith Wilmans, avowed candidate, by the telegram to Mrs. Ferguson, bearing her name, if she sent it, and she has not denied it, aligned herself with the Fergusons in view of the prospect Mrs. Ferguson might not run, has placed her candidacy in an attitude that it will not amount to much.

Lynch Davidson, only other announced candidate, is making his own race, shaping his own issues, and is preparing to campaign on business ability and efficiency, capable and honest administration of government, regardless of the personalities and the bitterness of the Ferguson and anti-Ferguson fight which appears to be the coming issue—fighting over the merits of the road suits and the responsibility of the governor for the acts of her administration and her appointees.

How About Moody?

It has been ventured as an opinion that Mrs. Ferguson or James E. Ferguson's re-entry into the race would increase the prospect that Dan Moody would run, as a challenge to the ability of the Fergusons to return to office, and as the logical man forced into the race on the issue already set, to fight out those issues directly with the Fergusons. Moody's entry into the race now appears more likely than at any previous time. He expects to get all the highway suits out of the way early in the year. He is being importuned to run for governor against the Fergusons. He has the wide popularity of victory in an issue "for the people," and as the man responsible for this recent achievement, able to account for a larger following on the issue made by the road suits than anyone else.

Summarized, then, the situation now appears, and the time for campaigning is almost at hand and as a new election year rolls around:

The Fergusons will be in the race again.

Mrs. Ferguson will be their candidate.

The Big Issue.

They will keep out a bunch of minor would-be candidates.

There will be either two or three major candidates in the field: Mrs. Ferguson, Lynch Davidson, and probably Dan Moody.

"Fergusonism," and the highway muddle will be a principal issue of the race.

The klan as an issue is dead as Hector; yet the silent klan-sympathizing vote will be nearly a balance of power with three candidates, all outspokenly anti-klan, in the race.

CONFEDERATES HAD AMERCA'S FIRST U-BOAT

Was First Successful Submarine, Says Captain McElroy of Austin

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Service on a Confederate submarine took a toll of more than 30 men, but volunteers for the desperate service always were plentiful, Captain W. H. Navy Research bureau, said. Captain McElroy, aide to Admiral A. O. Wright, ranking officer among the survivors of the South's naval forces, declares the Confederates invented the first successful submarine. His account of the first submarine follows:

"The Hunley submarine boat, known as the fish torpedo boat, was built in the machine shop of Park & Lyons at Mobile, Alabama in 1863 by Hunley and McClintock, and was arranged with a pair of lateral fins, by the use of which it could be submerged or brought to the surface.

Hand Propeller.

"Its motive power was a hand-propeller worked by eight men, and it was intended it should dive under a vessel, dragging after it a torpedo which would explode on contact with the hull or keel of the enemy, this 'fish' or submarine making off safely on the other side. It was provided with tanks, which could be filled or emptied of water to increase or decrease displacement, but there was no provision for a storage of air. During an experiment at Mobile the submarine sank and before it could be raised the entire crew suffocated.

"General Beauregard accepted this boat for use at Charleston. Lieutenant Payne, C. S. N. and a crew of eight men were preparing to take it out for action one night when it was swamped by the wash of a passing steamer and all hands, except Payne, were drowned.

Stuck in Mud.

"Again the submarine was raised and once more sunk, this time at Fort Sumter wharf, six men drowning, Payne and two others escaping. When the submarine was brought to the surface Hunley took it into the Stone river, where, after making several successful dives it stuck its nose in the mud and every soul on board perished of suffocation.

"For the fourth time the submarine made with it in Charleston Harbor. The submarine worked beautifully until it attempted to dive under the receiving ship, 'Indian Chief,' when it fouled a cable and once more proved a coffin for every man within.

"Divers brought it up a week later and Lieutenant George E. Dixon of Captain Cochran's company of the Twenty-first Alabama Infantry asked permission of General Beauregard to try it against the Housatonic, a splendid new ship of war, which lay in the north channel off Beach Inlet. General Beauregard consented.

All Volunteers.

"Each of the more than 30 men who had met death was a volunteer, but Dixon had no difficulty finding another volunteer crew to take the same risks. This crew was composed of Arnold Becker, C. Simpkins, James A. Wicks, F. Miller and Ridgeway, all of the Confederate Navy, and Captain Carlson of Captain Wagner's company of artillery.

"It was a little before 9 o'clock on the evening of Feb. 17, 1864, when Master J. K. Crosby, officer of the deck of the Housatonic, detected the submarine boat a scant 100 yards from the ship. It looked to him, he said, like a plank moving along the water and before he decided to give the alarm he had lost the seconds in which he might have saved his vessel.

"When he did pass the word, the ship's cables were slipped, engine backed and all hands called to quarters, but Dixon had closed on the ship, fired his torpedo on the starboard side just below the water line and the ship went down in four minutes.

Five of the Housatonic's crew were killed by the shock or drowned, the rest taking refuge in the rigging from which they were rescued by other vessels of the fleet.

APPEALS FOR 6 OF 23 IN RUM CONSPIRACY DENIED

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The United States circuit court of appeals today denied appeals of six of the 23 men convicted in the Jack Daniel conspiracy trial at Indianapolis.

RHINE TOWN, FLOODED, GETS FOOD FROM BOATS

NEUWIED, Rhenish Prussia, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Conditions recalling the sieges of medieval times prevail here in consequence of the isolation of the town by the flood waters of the Rhine. The inhabitants are living in the upper stories of their houses with the monotony broken only by the daily visits of boats bringing food.

Waterworks Folks Meet in Fort Worth

AUSIN, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The most complete program yet arranged for the organization will be given in conjunction with the staging of the eighth annual school for Texas waterworks operators at Fort Worth, January 18-23, C. N. Avery, president of the Texas section of the Southwest Waterworks association, announced. This school will be held under auspices of the waterworks association, the Fort Worth city health and water departments, Texas Christian university, and the state board of health. Mr. Avery is the city water and light commissioner of Austin.

Bankers to Meet In Border Town

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 31.—The Second District Texas Bankers' association, comprising all the bankers of the territory south, southwest and southeast of San Antonio to the Rio Grande, will hold its annual convention here beginning February 19.

More than 300 bankers are expected to attend. A banquet will be staged in Nuevo Laredo across the Rio Grande in Mexico.

N. Y. BANK CLEARINGS FOR 1925 SET NEW PRECEDENT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—All records for bank clearings in New York were broken in 1925, exchanges at the New York Clearing House association aggregating $283,619,244,635. The previous year's total was $249,868,181,388.



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Cities are not built in a day—neither are they built single-handed. It requires the concerted efforts of all loyal, home-loving people. It is a task contributed to by everyone, hence we urge the cooperation of all citizens in an honest endeavor to make 1926 the beginning of a new era of mertopolitan growth for Wichita Falls.

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January 1, 1925

One year ago today you read in the Record News that—

J. B. Jackson, charged with the murder of Walter Jones, on trial in 30th district court. Case goes to the jury.

1926

Well, another year gone by!

It doesn't seem as though 12 months have passed since Wichita Falls, on a night that chilled to the marrow, welcomed 1925 as a promising and lusty addition to Father Time's already sizeable flock. That frigid and icy night seems no further back than a few weeks. Yet the calendar shows it to be so.

New Year's eve 1925 came along as a matter of course just like New Year's eves had for 20 centuries before. There was nothing in particular to distinguish it from any other; yet in the light of the year's achievements, that was a momentous occasion. When 1925 made its bow in Wichita Falls it opened an era that accomplished something.

No need to recount it all. Wichita Falls wrought worthily and well in the year just closing. It was a year of opportunity; a year when men accomplished things; a year that brought notable strides in business, in civic advancement, in education, in religion, in municipal development. It was a year when times were ripe and the way prepared for Wichita Falls to forge ahead—and it did.

No one will contend that the city and its citizenship accomplished everything they should. Things have been left undone that should have been done. Perhaps some things were done that would have been better left undone. It is inevitable that there should be errors in judgment and execution. But that is only human nature.

All that is passed now. 1925 is history. It should be considered only as a guide to what may be. The worthwhile things it brought will endure; while the mistakes it also brought, if we profit by them in the future, will not be serious.

What would be a suitable New Year's resolution for the city to take today? Or rather, as it stands on the threshold of a new year, what meditations will serve it best?

Ought it to build that municipal auditorium? Yes! Ought it build a new city hall? Yes! Ought it make that industrial survey? Of course! Should it develop the irrigated valley more intensively? By all means!

But those are mere samples—simply concrete suggestions that have been advanced. All of them are matters deserving of attention. They constitute by no means the full list of major undertakings Wichita Falls faces, for to attempt to enumerate this list would require all of this page and most of the next. They just serve as illustrations.

What, then, if we seek to encompass the entire year ahead in one sweeping wish—what ought it be? If some Aladdin should appear this morning and offer Wichita Falls a magic lamp to rub, what, if one rub was the limit, should the city take for 1926?

Well, again! Why not wish that on Dec. 31, 1926, Wichita Falls can look back on another year as fruitful as the one now gone? Why not wish that the men and women of Wichita Falls may again be alive to the opportunities of a 12-month as they come? Why not wish for a continuation of sound leadership, thoughtful study of civic problems, tolerance in all things, liberality, justice, kindness, friendliness? Why not hope that the mistakes of 1926 will be less in number and import than those of 1925? Why not hope that the progress made in 1925 be held in 1926, and, above all, why not believe that 1926 will be a good year?

The signs of the times say that it will; men who should know think that it will—or rather they think that continued prosperity will innure to those willing to use their minds and hands; to those who work not alone for self but for others; to those who envision the world as a place that ought to be a little better next year than it was last.

That being true, Wichita Falls need not worry particularly about what piles of stone and steel it can erect. It need not fret at the necessity of platting and farming vast stretches in its irrigated valley; it need not live in fear of which way the price of oil may jump.

If it will enter 1926 with a feeling of confidence that all will be well in the end and then proceed with aggressiveness and insistence, but with fairness and sanity, 1926 will write another chapter of accomplishment.

'TWAS A WAREHOUSE

Having unearthed somewhere in England two reputed Hoppner's and the original copy of "Paradise Lost," an illiterate Briton has now dug up in Buckinghamshire the most remarkable collection of original Shakespearean manuscripts that has come to light since the Bard of Avon went to sleep at Stratford.

Buried near an old well, was found by this genius for finding things a rather large and ancient chest containing many articles once owned by Shakespeare and many manuscripts that came from his pen. Included in the marvelous discovery were a corner cupboard, a grandfather's clock, an old spinning wheel, a stone garden balustrade, several candlesticks, and three Bibles of the early Elizabethan age. More interesting still and possibly more valuable is the Shakespearan manuscript pronounced by Sir Sidney Lee as absolutely Elizabethan if not entirely genuine.

It is the chest that gags credulity. A skeptical world accepted the uncovered Hoppner's and filed no exception to "Paradise Lost." It probably will fail to protest the lately located manuscript and the Bibles and spinning wheel, et cetera. But a line must be drawn at the old chest; nothing smaller than a warehouse would accommodate all the paraphernalia the prying Briton has brought to the light of day.

Correct this sentence: "All six of our guests smoked," said she "but not one parked a cigarette on a piece of furniture."

HUMAN FALLIBILITY

Officials of the Fort Worth and Denver are having difficulty affixing blame for the disastrous wreck near Fort Worth last Sunday in which four trainmen were killed and two injured.

With four of the six men involved silenced by death, it is probable a full explanation can never be offered. The board of inquiry convened immediately after the accident may make a report after the voluminous testimony it has taken is studied and sifted; it may find some one guilty of negligence and take disciplinary measures—and then again it may not.

Whatever happens, the wreck can be put down as another instance of the toll exacted by human fallibility. So long as the human element enters into a proposition, errors will creep in.

Some man's brain somewhere along the line failed to function as it should last Sunday and the wreck was the result. It was regrettable, of course, but if the mental lapse had not come when it did, it might have come at a time when the result would have been even more disastrous. It or some other, was bound to come sooner or later.

The wonder of it is that modern railroading has reduced the accident toll to the minimum it has and that institutions as vast as are the railroads and in which the human factor is such an important one can function as smoothly as they do.

ROCKS AND ORE

It would be possible to journey to Nevada or to South Africa and spend a life time breaking up rocks.

But there would be no profit in it.

Yet people have gone to both places and in a few months of rock breaking have derived great profits.

It is possible for people to read a book a day for twenty years and be no wiser or abler at the end of that time than they were in the beginning.

It is also possible to read a book a week for a year, and grow mentally with every book.

For some books are just rock, and others are ore.

The person who reads will do well to choose between them.

Librarians report that the books most in demand are of the rock variety, trashy romances out of which nothing of value can be extracted.

Historical romances, even if they are not always accurate, are ore, for they awaken a desire to know more of the history of the time of which they are written, and often result in highly beneficial courses of historical reading.

Novels by Thackeray and Dickens and Stevenson, which are filled with thought and philosophy are ore, for one cannot read them without having one's imagination stimulated and one's interest in the world awakened.

Reading, we are told by Bacon, maketh a full man.

But rock reading will leave the reader as vacant as he was before he began.

Not long ago I sat in a railroad train between two young women who were discussing the books they had read, and enthusing about several highly popular writers.

It was easy to gather from their conversation that all they had gained from their reading was a false and distorted idea of life.

Had somebody given them a little intelligent direction they would have been just as interested, and far more benefitted when they laid their volumes down.

It would be impossible for anyone in a life time to read anything like the total amount of all the valuable books that have been written.

This shows how foolish it is to read empty books, when one could at the same time be reading helpful and instructive books—which may be romances as well as text books.

It is true that even Shakespeare's plays can be read "just to see how they turn out." But it is far less likely that they will be read that way. The Shakespeare taste is easily acquired, even by the casual novel reader.

The business of the educator is to teach young people what books to read.

Fortunately this is being done more.

In the not distant future there will be little market either for the trashy romance or the cheap tawdry moving picture drama.

People will have discovered that the ore is just as easily found as the rock, and that there is far more profit and entertainment to be derived from breaking it up.

THE FAMILY ALBUM- THE TRAIL OF THE HAMMER By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



"Love Bound In Wichita Falls"

By the Author of 'The Flapper Wife'

READ THIS FIRST:

FLOSSIE and MARY ROSE MIDDLETON are two pretty sisters, the daughters of a widowed mother. Both of them work for the Dexter Automobile company.

Mary Rose is secretary to the sales manager, JOHN MANNERS, and is in love with him. He is engaged to an heiress, DORIS HINIG. Because of her feeling for him, Mary Rose repeatedly refuses to marry TOM FITZROY, a young doctor.

Flossie, a born vamp, works in the filing department, where the girls all hate her. Mary Rose discovers that she is carrying on a secret flirtation with the president of the company, HILARY DEXTER, although she's engaged to his secretary, SAM JESSUP.

Dexter, a married man, gives her several presents, among them a gold vanit case. When Mary Rose scolds her about letting him make love to her, Flossie laughs and says Dexter would marry her tomorrow if he could divorce his wife! She sees nothing wrong in stealing a man from the woman who loves him.

Mary Rose notices that Manners is interested in her and he rouses the jealousy of Doris by taking her home to meet his invalid mother. Finally he tells Mary Rose that, even if he's bound to marry Doris, he really cares only for her. And she makes up her mind that she'll be happier as his secretary than as Tom's wife, and refuses Tom's twentieth offer of marriage.

Flossie and Mary Rose quarrel and to get even Flossie tells Manners that Mary Rose is "just stringing him" when she says she loves him and that she really adores Tom Fitzroy and is going to marry him very soon. Mary Rose wonders at Manners' sudden coldness toward her.

One day while she's taking dictation from Dexter, MRS. DEXTER comes in and accuses her of vamping her husband. She's found Flossie's vanity case in his car and mistakes Mary Rose for Flossie. Dexter lies to his wife and succeeds in straightening things out by telling her she's the only woman on earth he ever looks at! When Mary Rose takes the tell-tale vanity case up to Flossie, she finds that she's just refusing Sam Jessup who had wanted her to get married that very day. She says she's decided to marry Dexter, after he divorces his wife! Then Mary Rose shows her the vanity case!

(Now go on with the story)

CHAPTER XXXVIII

The wild rose color faded out of Flossie's face, leaving it dead white. And the velvety pupils of her eyes shrank to pinpoints as she looked at her sister.

"Hot diggety dog!" she cried, fear-stricken. "Why didn't you tell me before that Old Lady Dexter was in the building? I don't want to see her! I'm going—" and she started for the door.

But Mary Rose caught her by her slim arm. "No! No! Don't be silly, Floss!" she said sharply. "She's not coming up here to see you—"

"But if she found my vanity case in Dex's car, she will!" Flossie broke in sharply. "She'll raise the roof with me and I don't mean maybe!"

She was really terrified. It was one thing to play around with a married man and quite another thing to face that man's neglected and outraged wife. Especially when she had proof that you had been out with him only the night before!

"Let go of me, Mary Rose!" she said. "I'm not going to take a chance on her coming up here! I'm going to clear out, I tell you!"

Her sister shook her. "She's not coming up here," she answered. "Your friend, Dexter, told her some kind of yarn about your having been out in his car with Sam Jessup and she believed him."

Flossie's face cleared and softened. "I might have known he'd protect me from that woman!" she said, triumphantly.

"He wasn't protecting you! He was protecting himself!" Mary Rose told her bluntly. "He was so afraid she was going to divorce him, as she said she would that he almost died of fright. He got on his knees to her to believe his lies! He said he'd never look at another woman in all his life!"

Flossie blinked at her, as if sudden light had flared in her face. "Say that again," she said. "Do you mean that Dex told her he still has a crush on her? Why, he told me—"

She sat down, suddenly, on a stool beside the table and put her bright head down on her hands. "I don't understand," she muttered, and burst into tears of fury.

She sat that way for a long time and Mary Rose stood watching her and not saying a word. She knew that Flossie had to take this blow to her pride, alone.

After what seemed an eternity, Flossie raised her lovely head. "Tell me what happened this morning," she said jerkily.

Mary Rose told her the whole thing from beginning to end. "And it's just as I told you, Flossie," she finished, solemnly. "Nine times out of ten, a man will play around with other women, but his wife's always first, when it comes to a showdown!"

But Flossie had ceased listening. She was looking out of the window, with half-shut, calculating eyes. Suddenly she turned them to her sister.

"I can't work here any more, can I?" she asked. "You say the door was open and the whole office heard what Mrs. Dexter said—"

Suddenly she put her two hands to her breast, as a sudden dreadful thought struck her. "Sam's downstairs! She cried. "I'll bet Miss Minnick and the rest of 'em are telling him the whole story—"

"Yes, but all they heard was her bawling me out," Mary Rose answered, lapsing into Flossie's slang. "I finally had sense enough to get up and shut the door when I realized that they were all listening to the excitement. I can tell from the way they look at me that they think I was with Dexter last night, instead of you!"

And then suddenly Flossie was clinging to her and sobbing against her shoulder. Oh, Mary Rose, you won't tell on me, will you?" she begged, her voice thick with tears. "Let them think it was you for a while—will you? Just for a little while?"

The older girl looked dow at her in puzzled silence.

"You know, Sam'll never marry me if he finds I've been chasing around with Dexter," Flossie explained jerkily. "You know he won't—he's so narrow! He'd just quit his job and beat it! And I'd never see him again—" Her sobs broke out again.

Mary Rose thought it over..

It was not going to be easy to take the blame that was Flossie's. She had had a taste of it this morning and it had been hard to swallow.

And yet—

And yet is Sam Jessup took it into his head not to marry Flossie, Mary Rose was afraid to think what might become of her!

With her craving for luxury, for fun, for the admiration of men, where would she go? What would she do? Mary Rose remembered how she had looked that morning weeks ago when she had come home at dawn, dizzy from too much liquor. Loose-lipped and sensuous and weak! The only safety for Flossie was marriage!

Mary Rose made up her mind like lightning.

"All right," she said briskly, "I'll let 'em all think what they please. Only you're to keep your word! You'll really marry Sam Jessup? On your word of honor?"

"Cross my heart, I hope to die," Flossie answered, wiping her eyes with a small handkerchief with strong perfume.

But Mary Rose wanted more proof than that. She knew that Flossie would promise anything to gain her point, and later would break that promise without a thought. She was not to be trusted and that was all there was to it.

"All right, but I want to hear you tell him you'll marry him," Mary Rose said stubbornly. "You've broken your word to me, before, you know."

Flossie flushed. "All right, I'll go downstairs and get him," she answered ungraciously.

But at that moment Sam walked into the room. The minute she saw his face Mary Rose knew that he had heard the story of Mrs Dexter's visit to her husband's office. For the look he gave her was full of curious wonder.

"I've been talking to Flossie, Sam, and she wants to tell you something," she said to him, and they both waited for Flossie to speak.

But with a little rush, the girl was in his arms, dragging his head down to hers, and kissing him all over his face.

"Sam, Sam, Sam," she sobbed, "I'm so sorry I—said I wouldn't marry you. You know I will, don't you dear? Any time you ask me to?"

Mary Rose heard Sam murmur something about "next week" as she opened the door that led to the staircase.

"I've just heard something about Mary Rose. And I don't know whether to believe it or not," he said to Flossie, as soon as the door had closed behind her.

Flossie looked up at him with eyes that were like dewy violets.

"What did you hear, honey boy?" she asked clinging to his with heavy sweetness. "This wild story that she's been chasing around with Mr. Dexter?"

Sam nodded. "D'you think it's true?"

"I'm afraid it is," Flossie answered without a quiver of an eyelash. "It's terrible, isn't it? And, oh Sam, do we have to get married next week? Let's put it off a little while until I can get some new duds. And, besides, I've always wanted to be a Christmas bride, and wear a wreath of mistletoe instead of orange blossoms! Can't we be married at Christmas?"

She cuddled closer to him, and he held her tight. "All right," he yielded, "but don't change your mind again. Promise!"

Flossie promised him with a dizzy kiss.

She knew that when Christmas came she could put off the wedding until June, and so on—

Much as she cared for Sam, there was plenty of time to marry him.

Plenty of time to scrub floors and iron shirts and cook meals in a four-room cottage or a two-room flat. Plenty of time to drudge and scrimp and save. Plenty of time to scour the color and beauty out of her face over a washtub or a preserving kettle. Life was short and marriage was long!

(Continued Tomorrow.)

THE BEST OF ADVICE



BY CLARK KINNAIRD

THE WAVE MOVES ONWARD BUT THE WATER DOES NOT

Is humankind progressing?

We don't know.

The airplane, the radio, the X-ray, aren't conclusive evidence that the affirmative is true. For man is still dominated by superstition; and he still largely devotes his terrible ingenuity to the invention of new and improved means of killing brothers he does not know—but which he allows his statesmen to tell him he does not like.

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Are there any greater men now than 2,500 years ago? One cannot say.

Emerson observed that a singular equality may been seen between the great men of the first and of the last ages.

"Nor can all the science, art, religion, and philosophy of this century avail to educate greater men than Plutarch's heroes, four and twenty centuries ago."

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You may maintain that the evolution of humanity has been an unbroken progress toward perfection.

You may maintain that there has been no progress at all, and that man remains the same poor creature he ever was.

Or you may believe that men were best in primeval simplicity.

It all or any of these views written history will support you.

(History will supply you with abundant illustrations of anything you may wish to believe.)

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Emerson contended that society never advances.

"It recedes as fast on one side as it gains on the other.

"Its progress is only apparent, like the worker of a treadmill.

"It undergoes continual changes; it is barbarous, it is civilized, it is Christianized, it is rich, it is scientific; but this change is not amelioration. 'For everything that is given, something is taken.

"Society acquires new arts and loses old instincts."

He compared society to a wave. The wave moves onward but the water does not.



HOW POLAR BEAR GOT HIS NAME

Roly-Poly was the most inquisitive little Cub that ever lived. She just couldn't keep from asking questions, not even long enough to listen to a story. Just as Father Growly was about to begin she poked him with her paw.

"Daddy, daddy, who was Polar Bear?" demanded she.

"Great acorns! Has your mother been talking all this while about those two white Bears and forgotten to tell you their names? Hale-N-Hearty and Bright-Eyes lived in the northland a long, long time, and by and by there came other White Bears to keep them company, and as the years rolled by there were many little cubs splashing and playing in the pools and ice fields. Some of them were stay-at-home youngsters and grew up to find mates and settle down near the old folks. But some of them were gypsy Bears, like Trot-Fast, and wandered far. A few of them even went to sea, so I've been told. And by and by travellers began to tell of the white strangers they had met in the far Northland—strangers that cared not for the sun and the warmth, but made their homes in caves of snow, just as near the North Pole as they could get. And—"

"Oh, Daddy, I know, I know!" squaled a little voice, and this time it was Roly-Poly's small brother who interrupted the tale.

"Know what?" grunted Father Growly, grinning at his son.

"I know what Bright-Eyes and Hale-N-Hearty were named. Polar Bears!"

The little cub clapped his fat paws with a "that-settles-it" air. Father Growly nodded.

"Yes, Sonny, you've guessed right. Hale-N-Hearty and Bright-Eyes, two as brave Bears as ever lived, made a name for themselves—a name the fame of which has travelled all over the world; a name of which every mothers son and daughter from that land of ice and snow and sleet is as proud of as can be. And no wonder. Not many creatures can boast of great-great-great-grandparents who set out all by themselves to discover the North Pole. And now if you will keep still long enough youngsters I will do as I promised, tell you the story of the Great Seal hunt, just as my friend Gypsy heard it from the Polar Bear."

Next: "Behind Bars."

What Edi ors Are Saying In Texas and Oklahoma

A picture of health requires a good frame of mind.—Guthrie Daily Leader.

Some folk seem to find all the faults that the rest of us lose.—Waurika News-Democrat.

Women can't cuss, simply because very few of them listen to their husband's long enough to learn how.—Ponca City News.

The state of the nation is no longer of paramount interest. At present it's the static of the nation.—Bristow Record.

A thief may have honor in some things, a deadbeat may have charity, but a common gossip has no redeeming trait.—Chandler News-Publicist.

If an automobile just has to hit something it shouldn't hit another auto. It could do a little good by hitting a motorcycle.—Ponca City News.

Now who says republics are ungrateful and short-memoried? Henceforth we are all going to be reminded visibly of President Wilson every time we buy a 17-cent postage stamp.—Beaumont Enterprise.

If congress refuses again to put up the money to construct a government building on the site which has lain idle in Frederick for the past ten years, perhaps it might be turned into a model poultry farm.—Frederick Leader.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, doesn't think much of the eighteenth amendment and thinks it will be repealed or set aside. Perhaps so, but not in the lifetime of Professor Butler or of this generation.—Denison Herald.

Under instructions from Governor Donahey the Ohio state university is to be "cleaned up" by weeding out all faculty members with "socialistic tendencies." If this policy were pursued in all the colleges of the nation it is possible that half the chairs would be vacated and half the students would be barred.—Ranger Times.

18 NEGROES LYNCHED IN AMERICA IN LAST YEAR.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Eighteen negroes were lynched in the country during 1925, compared with 16 in 1924, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People announced today.

Mississippi led with six lynchings, the association's statistics showed. Figures for other states were: Florida 3, Georgia 2, and one each in Arkansas, Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Utah and Virginia.

DISAPPOINTED AT SANTA, SHIP FIREMEN ON STRIKE.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Because they did not receive certain Christmas delicacies to which they considered they were entitled, the firemen on the liner Tahiti with 300 passengers bound for San Francisco are on strike at Sydney, N. S. W., says a dispatch to the Evening News.

Similar action by the firemen on the steamer Maheno is delaying the departure of that vessel for New Zealand.

LANDLORD MOVED RADIO ANTENNAE, SO HE SUES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Because his landlord removed his radio receiving antennae from the apartment building in which he lives to permit the use of the roof for a transmitting aerial, Norman T. Brenner has sued for $1,000.

2 WOMEN FIGHT OVER BOY, BOTH SAY THEY ARE MOTHER

ENGLEWOOD, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two women met on a school grounds here yesterday and staged a fist fight for the possession of a 10-year-old boy, Magnuss McDonald, whom each claimed as her son.

Anti Science Move Sweeping Nation

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—(AP)—An essentially emotional anti-science movement, which is sweeping the country, has opened a veritable cave of Adullam, from which exhorters for tradition against knowledge are swarming, Dr. Edwin Linton, parasitologist of the medical department of the University of Georgia, said. In a paper which he read here before section F of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Dr. Linton defended the scientific method as opposed by the attack of "those zealous people who have appropriated the name of fundamentalist."

"Indeed," he said, "the scientific method is simply the natural reaction of man to his surroundings when not hampered by the taboo of traditional 'authority.'"

NATCHA REFUSES TO PLAY WHERE RUDY'S FILMS ARE

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 31.—Natcha Rambova thinks she is a headliner by herself. So she has refused to do her stuff at a vaudeville theatre while a film of Rudy Valentino is on the bill. He is her husband, you know, but won't be long.

NEW RATES ON RICE ARE DECLARED UNREASONABLE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—New rates on rice which railroads proposed to put into effect on shipments from Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas to Mississippi valley points were held unreasonable today by the interstate commerce commission.

CHILD SINGER WINS OLYMPIC

Current Vaudeville Card, Led By Lois Nixon, Real Knockout

The diminutive Lois Nixon, sweet faced child prodigy and every bit a finished actress from the tips of her little satin slippers to the topmost strand of her curly, bobbed hair, absconded with the hearts of Wichita Falls vaudeville fans laid a packed house at her feet Thursday evening in the Olympic theatre.

Baby Lois, cute as she is clever, chic, a wonderful little impersonator, sang and danced her way to ovation after ovation rendered by a very appreciative audience.

Real Headliner.

The child blue singer heads this week's Olympic vaudeville offering with a snappy and pleasingly rendered repertoire of popular songs. And, so attested Thursday evening's theatre-goers, she can not only headline the bill but could fill the entire program very satisfactorily if necessary.

However there isn't an act on the card which did not get over big with the New Year's gathering.

Jack Moore, contortionist who opened the bill, came near to causing nervous prostration for several highly-strung persons when he tied himself into a series of surprising knots, going from one entanglement to another. Some of the stunts he enacted the average human doesn't believe possible unless he has seen Jack do his stuff.

That Domstic War.

Lane and Louise in "Horning In" put on a comedy chatter song and dance stunt that drew heavy applause.

May and Walter Siegfried presented a take-off on the eternal domestic combat which your chuckling bachelor avers the average wedded man and the more dangerous half of the matrimonial partnership indulge in daily with the unprotected male usually losing the decision. Their quips and comebacks at each other brought many a lusty guffaw from both genders sitting at ringside, so to speak.

The bill is completed with a juggling and balancing show staged by Hanvarr and Lee. The act from bell to bell was fraught with exceptionally difficult feats and flips with everything from a set of golf clubs, balls of al sizes, through the various kinds ot Indian clubs on up to tables, chairs and whatnot.

Arrest "Produce Vendor" for Fraud

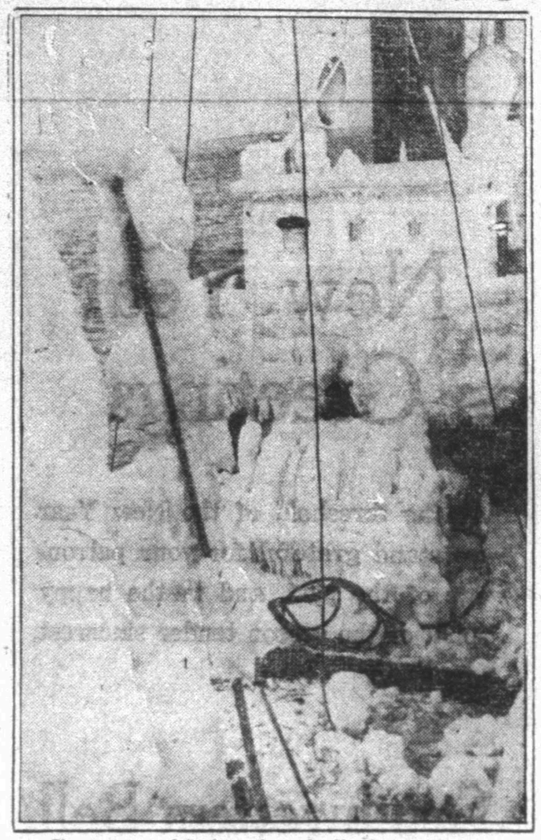
HOUSTON, Dec. 31.—What was regarded as an unusual scheme for raising Christmas cash was disclosed today when H. S. Black, Houston postoffice inspector, received information of the arrest in Corpus Christi of J. M. Richey, alias T. J. Johnson on charges of using the mails to defraud. Richey was charged with operating a fictitious farmer's produce concern and magazine agency in a small Texas town, near Corpus Christi.

He was arrested by F. H. Ellis, postoffice inspector at Corpus Christi. According to the information received by Mr. Black, he prepared a large number of circulars and mailed them to postmasters throughout South Texas. The circulars offered subscriptions to three well known magazines and a Christmas turkey as a premium to all who mailed him a dollar. To the postmasters he offered a box of Rio Grande valley grapefruit or oranges as a special premium for distributing the circulars to their patrons.

GALVESTON CELEBRATES PASSING OUT OF OLD YEAR.

GALVESTON, Dec. 31.—A happy and successful past year coupled with bright prospects for 1926 gave zest to the celebration of New Year's eve here tonight. Many watch parties, both private and public came as a climax to a joyful holiday week, the largest of these being the Police and Firemen's ball, and Elks and Knights of Columbus dances. Solemn services were observed by several of the churches. The down-town streets were crowded with gay but -not rowdy merry makers who gave vent to their joy by noise making primarily.

Storms in East Paralyze Shipping



Shipping is in difficulties along the North Atlantic coast as a cold wave sweeps the East. Photo shows a steam trawler fighting its way into Boston harbor with the mercury below zero.

FLOOD PROBLEM IN FRANCE BELIEVED TO BE IMPROVED.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Although all the rivers and streams in France are over their banks, there is confidence everywhere that the situation is well enough in hand to prevent serious disaster. Two of the places suffering most are Bethune, where some streets are under three feet of water and the assistance of engineers from Artas has been asked, and Caen, where the Orne river has done much damage.

WASHINGTON IS QUIET.'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Washington indulged tonight in a noisy hilarious New Year eve celebration.

Following his usual custom, however, President Coolidge spent the evening in the seclusion of the White House, within ear shot of the uproar from nearby streets in company with Mrs. Coolidge and Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Stearns of Boston, their house guests and went to bed long before midnight.

METHODISTS IN BIG CONFERENCE

5,000 Attend Sessions At Memphis This Week

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Methodist young people five thousand strong went into session here tonight with southern Methodist leaders to outline a campaign to assist the youth of the present generation in knowng the mnd of Christ in relation to their own needs.

The meeting—the culmination of plans initiated two years ago—was organzed as the frst Methodst young peoples convention and was attended by delegates from virtually every church in southern Methodism. The sessions will continue through Sunday.

"We bring you no conventional and complimentary words of welcome, rather do we bring you the notes of a life challenge," Dr. Paul B. Kern, dean of the school of theology of the southern Methodist university of Dallas, said in the opening address. "For the first time in the history of American protestantism a single denomination, facing overwhelming responsibility, has said to its youth, 'Come let us reason together,' I would have you feel that you are here under the authority of the spirit of God, that you are called up from far places of our borders and the crowded centers of life to face in fraternal unity of mind and heart the common problems and the common spiritual resources of our church. For us all it is 'today and tomorrow with Jesus Christ' or it is today without him and tomorrow—confusion and ultimate chaos."

"Youth asks that christian leadership be intellectually honest," Bryan Hall, of Corpus Christi, Texas, said, in opening the session from the young people's standpoint. Science and its discoveries are not undermining our faith but the spiritual force of christianity has not been keeping pace with material progress. Our lives are the materials from which new ideals are to be realized.

Rubber Monopoly To Be Stimulant For Research Work

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The British rubber monopoly will result, in the stimulation of rubber research work in America, R. P. Dinsmore of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company, Akron, Ohio, predicted today in an address before the social and economic science division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"Increasing research in rubber will be compelled when the supply becomes short," Mr. Dinsmore said. "now there is a general iguorance on the nature of rubber. As long as the supply of crude rubber is adequate there will be no marked advancement in scientific knowledge of it."

The trial and error system has been used in virtually all studies of rubber for automobile tries, Mr. Dinsmore said, and most of the scientific reasons for the results were not known.

Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, former dean of the school of agriculture at Cornell university, Ithaca, N. Y., today was elected president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Bailey will take office next December when the association meets at Philadelphia and will serve for the year 1927. Dr. Bailey is well known for his research in the fields of botony, horticulture and rural problems.

Crown Prince A Rumanian Outcast

BUCHAREST, Roumania, Dec. 31. (AP)—Crown Prince Carol, after having been missed from Bucharest since he left to attend the funeral at London of Dowager Queen Alexandria some weeks ago, has announced his rights of accession to the Roumanian throne, communicating his request to his father, King Ferdinand in writing. He has also relinquished all the prerogatives which were his as crown prince, even to the extent of giving up membership in the royal family.

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—At the beginning of this, the new year, we want to pledge anew our very best service throughout the coming years and to always stand as an institution ready to further the interest of the people of Texas and Oklahoma.

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—To you, our friends and patrons, we offer sincerest greetings and wish for you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Radio Programs

ETHER'S WHITE CAPS.

7:30 WEEI (349 Boston, the Neapolitan Girls' quintet.

8:30 WFAA (476) Dallas, Schubert Choral club program.

8:30 WGR (319) Buffalo, program by the Buffalo Arts club.

9:15 KFVE (240) St. Louis, Fielding's Amusement Review.

Silent Stations.

Eastern: WBBR, WFI, WGBS, WIP, WOR, WRC, WTAM. Central: KFUO, WCBD, WEAO, WKRC, WLW, KSAI, WSMB, WSUI. Western: KGO, KPRC.

Evening Concerts.

6:30 P. M.

WAHG (316) Richmond Hill. Musical.

7:00 P. M.

WNYC (526) New York. Songs.
WCAP (469) Washington. Organ.
WCX (517) Detroit. Symphony orchestra.
WEAF (492) New York. Happiness Boys.

7:15 P. M.

WLS (345) Chicago. "WLS."

7:30 P. M.

WSMB (319) New Orleans. Musical.
WHA (536) Madison. Musical.
WDAD (266) Nashville. Hawaiian music.
WTIC (476) Hartford. Special community night program.
WBZ (353) Springfield. Boston Symphony orchestra.
WHO (526) Des Moines. Boone mixed quartet.
KFNF (266) Shenandoah. Pipe organ.
WHAS (400) Louisville. Concert.
WCAE (462) Pittsburg. Studio program.

8:00 P. M.

WPG (300) Atlantic City. Concert.
WMCA (341) New York. Hardman hour.
CKY (384) Winnipeg. Musical.
WBAV 294) Columbus. Musical.
KDKA (309) E. Pittsburg. Teaberry.
WEAR (390) Cleveland. R. T. L.
CNRA (291) Moncton. Studio program.
WFAU (275) Boise. Studio.
WDAF (366) Kansas City. Star radio orchestra.
WBBM (226) Chicago. Special New Year's program.
WBZ (333) Springfield. Victor hour.
WCCO (417) St. Paul. Musical.
WEEI (319) Boston. Musical.
WOC (484) Davenport. Special musical.
WGY (380) Schenectady. Studio program.

7:15 P. M.

WCAP (469) Washington. Wardman Park.

8:20 P. M.

WGN (370) Chicago. String trio.
WOAI (395) San Antonio. Trio.
WFVE (240) St. Louis. Amusement review.
WFAA (476) Dallas. Schubert Choral club.
WEEI (349) Boston. Carter's Inns.
WGR (319) Buffalo. Buffalo Arts club.

9:45 P. M.

CFCF (411) Montreal. Concord entertainers.
WIBA (236) Madison. Varied.

9:00 P. M.

WNYC (526) New York. Vocal.
WOO (509) Philadelphia. Grand Opera.
WPG (300) Atlantic City. Concert.
KOA (322) Denver. Studio musical.
WOAW (526) Omaha. De Luxe program.
WEAF (492) New York. Vocal.
KFKX (288) Hastings. New Year's musical.
KTHS (375) Hot Springs. New Year program.
WEAR (390) Cleveland. Melody hour.
WGY (380) Schenectady. A comedy—"Take a Chance."

9:30 P. M.

WEBH (370) Chicago. Popular.
KFAE (348) Pullman. Piano.
WBAP (476) Fort Worth. Concert.
WGR (319) Buffalo. Hewitt Humorists.

10:00 P. M.

KYW (536) Chicago. Midnight Revue.
WIBO (226) Chicago. Dan Russo. (4 hrs.)
WOK (217) Homewood, Ill. Merrymakers.
KHJ (405) Los Angeles. Musical (2 hr.)
WFVE (240) St. Louis. Studio entertainers.
KPO (420) San Francisco. Studio program.

10:15 P. M.

WHAR (275) Atlantic City. Strand Organ.

10:30 P. M.

WGN (370) Chicago. Jazz skamper.
KJR (385) Seattle. Studio.
KFOA (454) Seattle. Times studio.
WHT (400) Chicago. Loftis.

10:45 P. M.

WSB (428) Atlanta. Entertainers.

12:00 Mid.

WHT (400) Chicago. Burke's Revue.
WJJD (303) Mooseheart. Vocal.
KGW (492) Portland. Studio.
KTCL (306) Seattle. Features. (2 hrs.)
WMC (500) Memphis. Midnight frolic.
WHT (400) Chicago. Your Hour league.

1:00 A. M.

WOI (448) Chicago. Hotsy Totsy.

FEATURE TALKS.

5:00 P. M.

WCAP (469) Washington. Story Teller.
CNRA (316) Moncton. Kiddies half hour.

5:30 P. M.

WGY (380) Schenectady. Sunday school.

6:00 P. M.

WGBS (316) New York. "Radio Problems."

6:30 P. M.

WRNY (256) New York. Continental Code.
WGOP (252) New York. "House of Health."

7:00 P. M.

CFCF (411) Montreal. Kiddies Stories. French and English.
WCAE (462) Pittsburgh. Motor Topics.
KFDM 316) Beaumont, Texas. Bedtime.

7:30 P. M.

WRNY (256) New York. Chemistry.
KNX (337) Hollywood. Talk.
KPO (420) San Francisco. Aunt Doilly.

8:30 P. M.

KGO (361) Oakland. Girls Half hour.
KOA (322) Denver. Sunday school.

9:00 P. M.

WLS (345) Chicago. R. F. D.
WMCA (341) New York. Auto helps.

WANT TO DANCE?

7:00 P. M.

WWJ (353) Detroit. News.
WJR (517) Pontiac. Serenaders.

7:45 P. M.

WLIT (395) Philadelphia. Welch's Minstrels.

8:00 P. M.

WOO (509) Philadelphia. WOO.
WBZ (333) Springfield. Dance.
WGR (319) Buffalo. Musical.

8:30 P. M.

WCAO (275) Baltimore. Belvidere.
WMC (500) Memphis. Britling's.

9:00 P. M.

WAAM (263) Newark. Daily's.
WLS (345) Chicago. Dance.
WEEI (349) Boston. Marimba.
WEAF (492) New York. Dance.
WBZ (333) Springfield. Singing Orchestra.

9:15 P. M.

WCAP (469) Washington. Dance.

9:30 P. M.

WEBH (370) Chicago. Oriole.
WGCP (212) New York. Dixieland.

10:00 P. M.

KFVE (340) St. Louis. Romaine.
WGR (319) Buffalo. Lopez (2 hr.)

10:05 P. M.

WCCO (417) St. Paul. Golden Pheasant.

10:30 P. M.

WHN (361) New York. Club Alabam.
WOAW (526) Omaha. Nightingale.

11:00 P. M.

WMCA (341) New York. Asbury Park.
KYW (536) Chicago. Coon-Sanders.
KGW (492) Portland. Hoot Owls.

11:10 P. M.

WHT (400) Chicago. Collsimo's.

11:30 P. M.

WEBH (370) Chicago. Oriole.
WDAF (366) Kansas City. Nighthawks.

11:45 P. M.

KLX (509) Oakland. Sweets'.

12:00 Mid.

KHJ (405) Los Angeles. Hickman's.
KJR (385) Seattle. Kilbourne's.
KGW (492) Portland. Hoot Owls.

1:00 A. M.

KNX (337) Hollywood. Cocoanut Grove.

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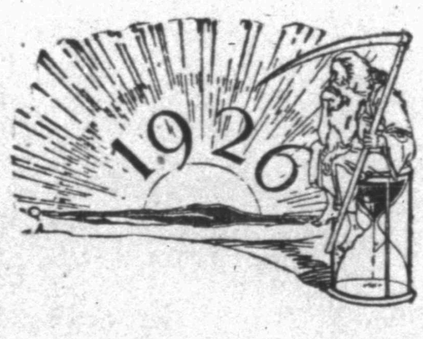
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CROP SHRINKAGE IS 47 MILLION

Increased Livestock Values, However, Offset Decrease Says U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A shrinkage of $447,000,00 0in the gross annual value of crops in 1925 as compared with 1924 was announced tonight by the department of agriculture in review of the agricultural situation.

The report said, however, that increased values for livestock probably offset the crop shrinkages. Livestock values were not announced but the gross value of crops on the basis of Dec 1 prices was placed at $9,015,000,000.

The crop season was reported fairly good everywhere except in the drouth areas of the southeastern and southwestern states. Cotton was one of the three largest crops of record with a Dec. 1 value of about $1,628,000,000, while winter wheat showed a farm value of $590,000,000 compared with $776,000,000 last year. Corn estimates were not given.

Ancient Texas Bell Rings in New Year

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Escaping impressment by the cannon foundry at Richmond during the Civil War, a bell cast in 1782 has been preserved here and was heard over radio at midnight tonight, central time, just one hour after the liberty bell's greeting to the new year has been heard from Philadelphia on Eastern time.

The bell was brought to Fort Worth, then a village of 300, by a hotel man in 1855. It was cast in London not many years after the liberty bell sounded the Tocsin of Independence for all the world to hear. For years it sounded all public calls in the village, in addition to announcing meal time at the hotel.

Indian's Origin Puzzle to Science

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 31.—(AP)—All attempts of science in 1925 to fix the origin of the American Indian in European or Asiatic sources have failed, and the American Aboriginy remain an enigma in scientific research.

This was revealed to the Society of American Bacteriologists here when a Kansas girl, working alone in this field of research, reported that she had found no resemblance of blood grouping of Indians with European or Asiatic races.

FURNITURE STORE WORKER SHOT BY NIGHT ASSASSIN

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP) S. E. Abernathy, furniture company employee, was seriously wounded tonight when three shots were fired into his body by a man who approached out of the darkness at his boarding house and fired without warning.

TEXAS PIONEER DEAD.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—C. J. Johnson, 82, for 40 years a resident of Fort Worth, will be buried her ethis afternoon following services at Broadway Methodist church. A son, Oscar Johnson, and a daughter, Mrs. J. R. Wolfe, both of Fort Worth, survive.

EXPORTS TO MEXICO GAIN.

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The total value of exports passing through Laredo to Mexico during the year 1925 is placed at $37,814,126 with consular duties collected amounting to $ 899,802.05 in the annual report of Mexican consul.

EXTRADITION GRANTED

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Governor Miriam A. Ferguson today honored the requisition of the governor of Arizona for the extradition of John Lamont, wanted in Maricopa county, Arizona, on a charge of passing a bogus check. Lamont is in custody at Dallas.

CLEARINGS SHOW GAIN.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—San Antonio bank clearings in 1925 totaled $463,720,506, exceeding 1924 clearings by more than $40,000,000.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Bank clearings for 1925 were $20,751,271.07 in excess of the 1924 clearings.

Winning Her Way With Her Camera



Miss Lorene Squire, 16, University of Kansas freshman, is paying her way through school by taking and selling pictures of birds and animals with her camera. Her home is at Harper, Kan. She is seen above with her pet prairie dog.

Beauty's Daily Work a Gem



Because she is so beautiful, Mlle. Blanche Melnot, Parisienne has one of the most desirable (to a woman) jobs in the world. She is a jewelry mannequin and wears a fortune when she strolls in the fashionable boulevards of Paris. Guards walk at a distance to protect her from robbers.

GIANTS GET JIM RING

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The New York Giants today announced the acquisition of Jimmy Ring, veteran right handed twirler of the Philadelphia Nationals, in exchange for Wayland Dean, young right hander, and Jack Bentley, southpaw. Secretary J. J. Tierney said no cash was involved. According to Tierney, Bentley, who gained a reputation as a home run hitter as well as pitching star with the Baltimore Internationals before coming to the Giants in 1922, will play first base for the Quaker city team. Bentley and Dean both were costly acquisitions, the former Baltimore star being priced at $65,000 while Dean, who came from Louisville, was said to have cost close to $50,000 in cash and players two years ago.

SUL ROSS BEATS STEERS

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—Although it was at the expense of the Texas university Longhorn basketball team, the Sul Ross Loboes continued their string of early season victories by defeating the Steers here tonight 22 to 18. The game was close and heated from first whistle to last with the lead shifting throughout the first half.

In a five-mile trip one of the trucks picked up 150 pounds of nails. The truck collected 603 pounds in the course of a day.

Mexico Approves Irrigation Plans

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—The Mexican government has approved an appropriation of 10,000,000 pesos for the development of irrigation projects in arid and semi-arid agricultural regions of Mexico, Senior A. Banos Contreras, Mexican consul in Dallas, said today. Engineers have been appointed to survey lands in the states of Chihuahu, Coahulia and Nuevro Leon, Senor Contreras said.

670 ARRESTED FOR BOOZE YEAR 1925 AT SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—During 1925, dry forces in and near San Antonio arrested 670 persons and confiscated 4,209 gallons of whiskey, 6,793 gallons of beer and 39,346 gallons of mash, figures announced today showed.

DALLAS WANTS SESSION

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues will be invited to hold the 1927 meeting in Dallas, it was decided by Dallase baseball officials and representatives of the Dallas chamber of commerce today. Only one before has the association met in Texas, which was in 1909 at San Antonio.

Wife Wants Him To Celebrate; He Shoots Her Dead

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Because his wife implored him to attend a New Year's party, George E. Cordell, 22, shot her eight times and then killed himself with the same pistol at their home here tonight. The woman, who is 21 years old, died in a hospital.

Mrs. M. E. Davis, a sister of Mrs. Cordell, Mrs. Abbie Delony of Chicago, another sister and a daughter of Mrs. Delony were in the house when the shooting occurred.

Two Cars Stolen

Police marked two Wichita Falls cars up on their reports as stolen last night. Mrs. Alma Tanber, nurse at the general hospital, left her Ford roadster in front of the hospital for a few minutes and returned to find it gone. Frank Stewart, an employe of the Texhoma Oil and Refining company, left his Buick in front of the Palace theatre and found it gone when the show was over. Police were of the opinion that the cars had been taken by joy riders.

Law Schools To Support League

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The association of American law schools at the close of its annual meeting, today continued by unanimous consent its co-operation with the League of Nations in the codification of international law.

George W. Wickersham of New York, who was attorney general under President Taft and is the American member of the league commission of codification will sail for Geneva Saturday.

The association unanimously adopted a resolution calling for joint application with other organizations for funds from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller foundation for a survey of the crime situation and its solution.

The oat crop of Iowa and Illinois and some other corn belt states has been increased materially in the last decade by the use of several new high-yielding varieties.

Belgium Suffers From Huge Flood

BRUSSELS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The worst floods since 1876 are causing much damage throughout Belgium.

The vaults of several banks at Charleroi have been submerged. In a funeral at Marchenne the cortege had to proceed to the cemetery in boats. The city hospital at Namur was evacuated, and hundreds of families have abandoned their homes because of rising water. Flooded tracks have held up many trains.

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Colds, Grippe, Flu, Dengue, Bilious Fever and Malaria.
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S. P. ROAD'S EARNINGS TO BE NEAR 1924, IS REPORT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Officials of the Southern Pacific estimated that the road's net operating income for 1925 will not be far short of last year's figures. December's earnings, it is said, will show marked improvement of net operating income of $3,788,382 for December, 1924.

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The Old Year Is Gone

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SPORTING NEWS — THE RECORD NEWS — FIRST ACCURATE COMPLETE



Ed Hughes' Column

COMMENTS FROM THE SPORT WORLD

Notice that my old friend, Abel Kiviat is on deck again preparing for another indoor season on the track. In these feverish days of commercialism in every branch of sport the news item is rather significant. Kiviat one of the greatest milers that ever lived, is still an amateur, though he is a grizzled campaigner of many years' service in spiked and unspiked shoes.

At one of the indoor meets last season this writer queried Abe as to why he had not turned his fame into cash. "Surely in all these years you could have smared many a good coaching job in the collegiate field," this writer suggested.

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"Oh, sure, that would have been easy enough, I guess," returned Kivvy. "But of course I'd lose my amateur standing if I did that. I don't get a cent out of these races but I get a lot more than that out of it. Truth of the matter, competition is in my blood. I'd be lost without foot-racing, and I don't know what I'm going to do when old age creeps on.

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"Sure I could get those jobs, but I'd rather have the fun that comes with chasing after the other fellow for medals."

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ABOUT JIMMY WILDE???

A critic in a London sporting print has some unusual comments to make on the ring career of Jimmy Wilde. The scribe admits that the Mighty Atom was really a great fighter, one of the best in the whole history of British boxing. Still, he does not believe that Wilde's magnificent successes were won solely through his genius for smacking the other fellow about. This critic, who is apparently "in the know," maintains that a great part of Wilde's triumphs could be attributed to shrewd match-making.

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"Wilde was fortunate in usually meeting the heavier fellows that he whipped at a weight which weakened them. Despite th fact that Wilde gave away many pounds the disadvantage was frequently with the other fellow. A man cannot give his best at a poundage which cripples his best fighting prowess."

And yet you still hear it said that managers are fistic parasites.

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HEH! HEH!

The same publication tells a funny story on Mr. Harris, a favorite London announcer. Mr. Harris was in the tolls of introducing a pair of amateurs when he observed one of them shaking as if with palsy. Harris, a sympathetic creature, sauntered over to the shaking kid and said:

"Cheer up, Bobby. I know this kid you're up against. He really can't fight a little bit."

Whereupon the quaking simon pure retorted:

"P'raps you're right, Gur-nor. But neither can I."

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New Heavies Have Chance.

With Jack Dempsey in retirement and Harry Wills dying of old age from lack of action, there is truly a golden opportunity for a new sensation in the heavyweight ranks. About the stiffest opposition he would encounter—Gene Tunny. And by the time he got to him Mr. Wills would probably be out of the pastel.

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Enthusiastic managers are aware of the situation but they do not appear to be able to avail themselves of it. There are plenty of young giants roaming the boulevards and hacking down trees in the great open spaces! If it were simply a question of physical qualities there'd be a new heavyweight champion tomorrow. But despite the pleadings of the managers, who spin enthralling tales of quick fame, and great riches, none of these powerful young men display an inclination to pull on the buffers. And deep is the distress of the pilots, who suffer in divers ways because of this costly disinclination.

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One of the young whales who is often approached on the subject is Lopchick, the towering center of the Celtic basketball team. This fellow, physically, is a most extraordinary specimen. He stands six foot five, scales 195 pounds, and is remarkably nimble in action. Lopchick has a pair of hams for hands, with almost perfect proportions and knuckle alignment for heavy hitting.

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Several managers have made him what might be termed unique offers to try his hand at slugging. One of them, 'tis said, guaranteed that Mr. Lopchick would not lose one fight in his first year of scrapping. Whether this meant that the opponents would be handpicked and of such a low calibre that Lop would have no difficulty with them is not known. Possibly it was meant that a few "instructions" would be given these early "opponents" of the man in question. The writer has heard of this sort of thing before, so 'tis not so startling after all.

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But Mr. Lopchick has declined all inducements to go after the dusty purple mantle of Jack Dempsey. His explanation concerned many things, chief of which was his dislike of the marks of battle and the slick gentry he would be thrown in within the Queensberry world.

SHADE DOPED TO BEAT TODD

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Dave Shade, California product and contender for both welterweight and middleweight titles, is a favorite to capture international honors tomorrow night in a 10-round match with A. Roland Todd, British middleweight at the New Year's show at Madison Square Garden.

MATMEN ALL SET FOR BILL HERE TONIGHT

THE CARD

Jack Gorman, Plainview, versus Cyclone Hayes, San Francisco. Lightweights, to finish, best two out of three falls.

Jack Vincent, Lawton, versus Louie Spradlin, Grandfield. Catchweights, to finish, best two out of three falls. Vincent weighs in the vicinity of 175 pounds, Spradlin about 183.

Time: 8:30, Friday night.
Place: 812½ Scott Street gym.

Gorman and Hayes, the pair of little fellows who wrestled here to a sensational draw in a 30-minute limit match last week, each declares himself in the best of condition.

Quite a bit of rivalry exists between this pair, emanating from that heated even-Stephen bout.

Last week's affair was exceedingly rough. Each grappler accuses the other of having started the rough stuff. Word for word, they have gone from bad to worse, until now tonight's scrap truly can be called a "grudge" battle.

Spradlin and Vincent each has expressed himself as being in the best of condition and ready to step.

The offering of two finish matches on the same card tonight is the first time in several months of nearly continuous weekly wrestling bouts staged in Wichita Falls.

High Grid Race Winds Up Today

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The long and turbulent interscholastic league football marathon will come to an end tomorrow at Fair Park stadium when Waco Tigers clash with Forest (Dallas) Lions in a contest that promises to show forth spectacular gridiron tactics. The local gridiron was in perfect conditions tonight and snappy weather that promised to continue tomorrow prevailed.

The Waco gridsters are due to arrive in Dallas Friday morning with a large aggregation of fans from the central Texas metropolis.

The Waco eleven are expected to release a running offensive game in an effort to counteract perhaps the best balanced aerial threat in the league. Forest has never before been a party to a state final fray, while Waco will compete in its fourth state championship affair.

Curtis "Shorty" Alderson, assistant coach at the University of Texas, will referee the game. Other officials will be Barry Holton, Trinity, umpire; Venne (Carlisle), headlinesman, and Braun (Sewanee), field judge.

Washington Rates Edge Over Bama

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP) Tomorrow's football fracas in the Rose bowl here, University of Alabama vs University of Washington, is just as much a guessing game as it was when first announced, with reported odds slightly favoring the Seattle Huskies.

The strenuous northwesterners arrived today, primed for their engagement with the suave southerners. After having looked over both squads and their records, the football magic hereabouts gives the edge to Washington, but admit that it is an "all wet" proposition any way you take it—swim with the crimson tide, or float with the purple maelstrom.

ALL-STARS PLAY IN AUSTIN

Jack Meagher Sends Grid Team Against Tom Dennis' Men Today.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—With each team boasting a number of star performers, Friday's game between Tom Dennis' and Jack Meagher's elevens for the city championship is expected to be brilliantly contested. Dennis, captain and all-southwestern tackle of the 1921 Texas university eleven is now coach at Austin high, while Meagher, former Notre Dame star end is athletic director at St. Edward's university here.

With Bill James, former Centre college player, and "Hook" McCullough, former Texas longhorn performer, on the wings, Meagher's eleven is expected to flash a brilliant aerial attack.

Rufus King, regular full-back of the 1925 Longhorns, appears to be the best offensive bet of Dennis' combination.

THREE VARSITY CAGERS DECLARED INELIGIBLE

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Matt Newell, Richmond; Frank Joines, Houston; and "Red" Patrick, Corsicana, three of the most promising candidates for the 1926 Texas university basketball quintet are ineligible to compete. Newell, regular guard of 1925, and Joines, another capable guard, failed to pass the required number of fall term courses. Patrick is ineligible because of failing to attend a class while on probation.

BEAR QUINT'S DEBUT TODAY

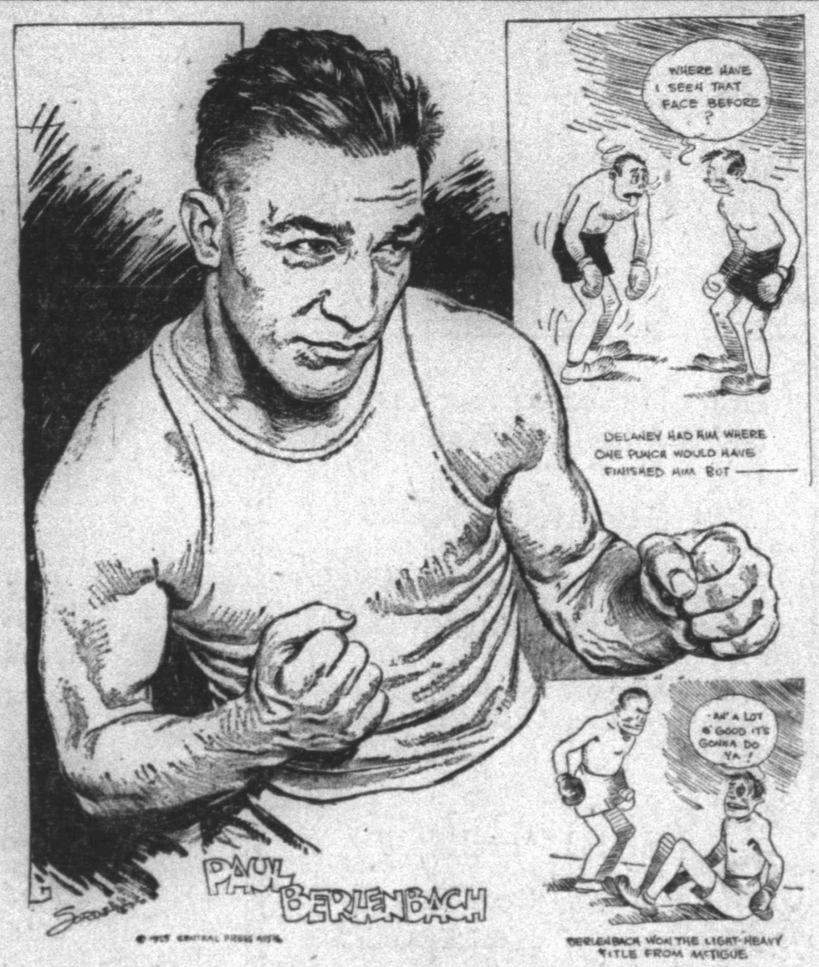
WACO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Baylor university basketball team will make its debut before the Waco fans Friday evening on the Baylor gym floor when the Bears meet the strong team representing the Dallas Athletic club. Ragland, former University of Texas star, Walling, former S. M. U. player and other former intercollegiate stars of note compose the Dallas team.

DOC WOULD SHORTEN RACE

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A shorter playing season for interscholastic league football in Texas was urged today by Dr. Norman R. Crozier, superintendent of Dallas schools. Dr. Crozier declared that athletics are not being commercialized in the local schools but said the playing season should end upon completion of Thanksgiving schedules.

HIS GREATEST VICTORY OF YEAR

Was Over Joe Precedent And He Won By A Punch



BERLENBACH WON THE LIGHT-HEAVY TITLE FROM MCTIGUE

BY NORMAN E. BROWN.

The most active man in the boxing "400" in 1925—that exclusive circle which includes major and minor champions and near champs who are worth more to the game than some of the kings—was Mr. Paul Berlenbach.

Paul not only grabbed off one of the minor headpieces for himself—the world's light heavyweight crown—but fought in defense of his title, which is more than any other honest-to-goodness champ did during 1925. One or two others dawdled around a bit, of course, but the fights were little play hours.

Paul won his title by defeating the smiling, willing, crafty, beautiful defensive fighter, Michael Dublin McTigue. Whatever luck should have accrued to Mike through winning the title from a black man on St. Patrick's day deserted him the night he fought Paul. The green tights meant not a thing to Paul, who proceeded to make Mike's tummy a brilliant pink with body punches.

This Is Paul's Second Start.

Berlenbach started a couple of years ago to seek the light heavy title. He was going great guns when Delaney stepped into the ring against him. Jack, a French Canadian, started talking lumber camp Latin to him and while Paul was trying to parse some of the verbs Delaney sunk him.

Now it is tradition that an up and coming youngster, socked on the button at the critical period in his career, never regains the confidence, the complete absence of fear, that he had in his first spurt. Thus handicapped he begins to fight cautiously. He carries a tendency to dog it when the going gets rough.

Jimmy Slattery was aware of that when the Buffalo youngster was offered a match with Berlenbach. But Berlenbach fooled him and his adherents. The Jersey lad fought a confident, heady battle throughout the bout, which ended with Slattery sleeping on the floor.

Despite this surprising showing Jack Delaney laughed a bit when offered a return bout with Berlenbach. That laugh, lingering a bit until the late rounds of the fight, was his undoing.

Delaney was in poor shape when the chance was offered him to meet Pushing Paul. The former had been ill with pneumonia. His friends advised him that three months was a short period in which to regain his health and tune himself for a battle.

"But I can lick him. I've got his number," said Delaney.

When the two met it seemed for a time as though Delaney was right. In the fourth round, for example, he floored Berlenbach with the same punch which had spelled disaster in the first encounter. Berlenbach was groggy. His knees caved. His brain was fogged. One more punch, timed perfectly, would have brought the end. But Delaney must have been too confident of the result, unless you choose to label him as too dumb to take advantage of the opening. Whatever the reason Jocko failed to shove over that last punch. He fiddled around—while Berlenbach shook his brain clear and gathered a bit of strength in his legs.

From that point on Berlenbach turned the battle against Delaney. It was Jack and not Paul who fought on the defensive. And now Paul is on the high road again. The year 1926 should bring him a large bundle of coin, if he is properly handled. If he retains his present willingness to mix it with the best of them he should be one of the busiest men in the ring game.

Heavens knows the sport needs someone who can fight.

LIFE HISTORY OF BUSH LEAGUES

Hornsby Best Bush Secondsacker

By JOHN B. FOSTER
Special Correspondent of the Record News.

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Second basemen, hot off the griddle from the minors, are not so many as are players in other positions, speaking, of course, of second basemen who are a little better than the ordinary. It is a hard place to fill this niche at second base and it takes a player who is a good thinker as well as a good mechanical fielder to hold it well.

If Lajoie could only be considered a graduate from the National Association, he would lead the list. He made much of his reputation after the association was formed and his life story is interesting. He drove a stage around Woonsocket. Freedman, the owner of the New York Nationals, heard of him and had a chance to get him but put it off because he thought the price of $1,000 was too high. Lajoie after that was worth on the hoof as a ball player about $200,000 if Ruth was worth $150,000.

Lajoie developed into one of the greatest players who ever lived and who played ball so easily that almost all fans thought he wasn't trying to play.

In that respect there was never a player exactly like him. Seemingly as languid as if he were exhausted by his effort to breathe he would glide over toward the ball, pick it up and throw a batter out on what might have been a base hit, doing it as if it were a little dab along the ground. Day after day he was taking about one or two chances more than anybody else.

The next greatest after him in National Association years unquestionably was Eddie Collins. He started to play under the name of Sullivan because he wished to save his standing at Columbia.

Day in and day out at continuous work there is not a second baseman, and precious few infielders of any type who hold the record that has been made by Collins and last season, as second baseman of the Chicago Americans, he kept his team in the race acting as manager until he hurt himself and lost a chance to finish third, or better.

The National League has found some smart second basemen in the National Association. Frisch can't go in that class because like Tenney and Collins he went straight from college to the Giants. He is not the great second baseman that Collins has been because he has not had enough opportunity. He may be some day. Possibly he has had a rival at second base on the field in Herzog who came from Pennsylvania to the Giants. Both of them have played a very important part in the successes of the New York Nationals and that helps to tell the story of their value on the ball field. Frisch is a better batter and runner.

Hornsby stands out today as the biggest man who has come from the bushes into the big league works. It is his batting which makes him more prominent than his fielding. If he were to go to the outfield and try putting a very fast man on second base it is possible that the St. Louis team would stand higher at the end of the season to come than it did in 1925. His batting will hold for his team no matter where he plays.

Stanley Harris is the fielding wonder which Washington captured and that describes him. He is the keenest pivot man in baseball. Wambsganss is not an ordinary second baseman and neither was Larry Doyle of the Giants an ordinary second baseman, but as simon pure National Association graduates none will go much better than Hornsby and Harris.

(In his next chapter Mr. Foster picks the star "busher" shortstop in big league baseball.)

Pittman to Perform In All-Star Contest

Ralph Pittman, Wichita Falls lawyer and backfield flash with the Baylor Bears during the grid seasons of 1922-23-24, has been lined up to participate in an all-star moleskin encounter down at Waco January 9.

The contest is to be played between aggregations of former collegiate grid luminaries headed by Puny Wilson, the Aggie player, and Benny Boynton, one time all-American with Williams college.

HULL FIGHTS IN EAST

Former Wichita Falls Welter Favorite Beats Young Marcel.

Clyde Hull, speedy little welter who made such a hit with the fans here some time back, is now in Springfield, Mass., taking his first whirl at the fight game in the east, according to a letter received by Barney Morgan.

Hull recently won a decision over Young Marcel in a spirited ten-round fight.

Weather Favors Belle fonte Eleven

SHERMAN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—With the weather forecast for cludy skies and continued low temperatures, conditions will be favorable for the Bellefonte, Pa., academy eleven in their game here Friday afternoon against the Sherman high school Bearcats in what has been termed the championship scholastic tilt of the United States. On a dry field, Hood, Bellefonte captain and passing marvel, is expected to show up at his best. Although the Bearcats will go into the game as the under dogs, they are expected to maintain their reputation as the strongest high school or prep team in Texas.

HELEN TOURS EUROPE

American Net Queen Hopes To Meet Suzanne Lenglen.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Miss Helen Wills, national woman's tennis champion and her mother, Mrs. C. A. Wills, left here today for an eight months' tour of Europe during which Miss Wills expects to meet Miss Suzanne Lenglen, noted French player. The American champion will also study art and visit places of interest.

The champion expects to take in a number of the outstanding tennis tournaments on the continent in the spring and summer, the itinerary also including the tennis classics at Wimbledon.

The Record News want ads give the best results.

HAWKS READY FOR STAMFORD GAME TONIGHT

Iowa Park May Start Tilt Without Services Of Fields

The Blue and White basket ball worriors of Stamford will reach Iowa Park about noon today for their two-game stand starting tonight in the fortress of Coach R. E. Brewster's Iowa Park Hawks, it was announced Thursday. This club will be the first of any importance to face the Hawks this year, and Brewster has a very capable team with which to give Stamford a real fight.

Coach Brewster has gathered a fast brand of basket ball tossers at the Park, and team which is expected to give all other contenders a close run for the county honors. Brewster has had but very little material with which to work with this year but has turned out a fast and snappy crew of basket ballers.

Preston Beck, one of the best referees in this section of the country, has been engaged for the two games, and one thing the fans will be sure of is that of seeing a speedy and clean contest.

Brewster announces his team as ready to go with exception of Captain Hash Fields, who has a charley horse and may be out of a good part of tonight's game, but he is expected in the Saturday tilt with ful force.

Brewster's probable starting lineup will be: Beasley and Filmore, forwards, Enloe or Lakey, center; Cheaves and Fields guards. In case Fields is out of the game Cordor or Wiggley will see service.

Cordor or Wiggley will be placed at forward and Filmore switched to guard in case Fields is out. The loss of Fields would greatly weaken the Hawks.

There is still a little stiffness in the club from their grilling workouts of the last few days. The club worked out Wednesday night after the Texhoma battle for some time, and again Thursday morning was on the court.

Waco Grid Fans Flock to Dallas

WACO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Waco will celebrate New Year's day in Dallas.

The advance guard of the Waco fans departed for the north Texas city today.

Friday, however, is the day when the real army of Waco enthusiasts will gather in Dallas. Via special interurbans, via a special train put on by the M., K. & T. wearers of gold and white of Waco high will wend their way to the north Texas metropolis. And the Dallas highway will present a veritable caravan of automobiles, loaded with followers of the Waco high Tigers, wending their way to Dallas for the interscholastic football classic of the state—the championship game between Waco and Forest high.

Loyal to the crew and with that typical Waco confidence, these fans will gather at the Fair Park stadium Friday afternoon and when the Tigers trot on the field for their brief workout prior to the game, they will be greeted by a roar just as great in volume as would welcome them on the cotton palace gridiron, for while Dallas won the flip, and the right to stage the championship game at Fair Park for the third year in a row, that is all Dallas won.

Megargel Cagers Form Strong Quint

The Megargel high school basketball team has been working at a fast clip of late, and at present is picked as one of the favorites in the Archer county meet. Last year the Megargel club won the Archer county championship with ease, but lost out to Electra in the district tourney.

Megargel has three of her last year men back this season, and has been burning up the south sections. Pierce Walker and Daniel are the three from last season who are left over.

The Passing Hour



~ by Wm. B. Ruggles ~

TONIGHT

It may have meant a lot to you—it
may have meant to me,
The year that's passing out tonight,
a lot of joy and glee—
But looking back across the months,
I'm thinking more and more
How well they would have looked without the errors in the score.

The old year's through and finished
now—and we remember well
The little triumphs that we had that
we will love to tell;
The triple with the bases full that
made the grandstand roar—
But will it balance off against the
errors in the score?

Perhaps it's just as well to mix the
glory with regret
Or we would mourn each passing
year—our view would backward
wet—
But here's a new one coming up—the
slate is clean before—
Perhaps we'll see it through without
the errors in the score!

Consider This.

There are to be no more scandals among the elect invited from foreign shores to decorate AAU competition. At least, not if the AAU is successful in its planned method of avoiding the scandals.

A committee is to be appointed to meet such flying scintillants as Paavo Nurmi, to guide them through the tortuous mazes of expensive—too expensive—expense accounts—and to show them the proper ways that simon-pure amateur athletes should travel.

All of which calls to mind the thought that the invading simon-pure may not appreciate the best efforts of the reception committee. In the first place, let us consider the thoughts of some such young men as Charles W. Paddock or Loren Murchison.

Both of these young men have toured abroad representing the AAU of these United States. Suppose that on nearing the shores of Japan or China or France each had been met by a delegation of Japanese, Chinese or French folk, as the case might be, told that said delegation represented the AAU of the respective countries and that they were to direct the young men in the ways of dodging big expense accounts.

If you were a member of the late AEF, you know what the Yanks thought of the business direction of the French. Is there any particular reason to suppose that an enterprising Frank, Finn or Briton does not think the same thing of the American in business?

These young men are likely to reason, "If I am not getting the big expense money, who is going to get it?"

An athlete is usually an amateur when he stays in his home country.

An international competitor looks more like big business.

The Coach.

Some one the other day remarked that 90 per cent of the football coaches are very efficient. The bold statement is open not only to criticism, but to doubt.

It is entirely probable that 90 per cent or better of the men who go into coaching as a serious occupation, study it and stay in it five years or more are efficient.

But the big field of college coaching alone must be considered from its entire makeup and it is, nevertheless, a fact that no small section of it is made up of star players who are drafted immediately from the ranks and who know very little of coaching, very little, indeed, of the art of playing any position except tehir own.

Signed to contracts, more or less lucrative, depending on the publicity received in their last college year, they put in hastily five or six weeks at a coaching school, and start out to practice their new trade.

Law school do not mawe lawyers at graduation, neither do engineering school, pedagigical schools, dental schools. They turn out young men with an excellent groundwork in the theory of their profession. The next three to five years in actual practice produce the lawyer, the engineer, the doctor, the teacher, the dentist.

Neither does play over a three-year period on a varsity eleven make a football instructor. His three to five years' work as a coach turns the trick, if it is done.

There may be exceptions, of course, but they are few and far between.

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Train Number 2

Leaves	Arrives	Arrives
Wichita Falls	Fort Worth	Dallas
11:55 Noon	3:25 P. M.	5 P. M.

Through Sleeper arriving New Orleans 8 a. m.

This train formerly left Wichita Falls 1:30 p. m, arriving Fort Worth 5 p. m., arriving Dallas 6:45 p. m.

Happy New Year

To our many friends and customers who have so liberally contributed to the success of our business during 1925, we wish to express our sincere thanks and wish each a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

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More Truth Than Poetry

WHY NOT?

Bill Smith isn't much of a scholar
He cannot speak Latin at all,
But he makes in the clear fifty thousand a year
By punting and passing the ball.
He is sorry he ever left college,
He says that the fifty yard gains
That he makes for his team merely trivial seem
When he thinks how he's slighting his brains.

Bill Smith, if he stuck around college,
Till they gave him a master's degree
Might find some nice work as a salesman or clerk
For a well favored youngster is he.
He thinks that his life has been ruined
By giving himself to the game,
And he daily complains that he's slighting his brain
But he plays every day just the same.

And we, who are stickers for culture,
And who say that the time is long gone
When the power of thought should be valued at nought,
And young men should be keen about brawn—
Declare that this husky lad blundered
In leaving his college career,
"What is money," we say, "why exist for mere pay,
Even fifty odd thousand a year?"

But if we were lusty as he is—
Were we sinewy, active and strong
And a man with a sack of the stuff known as "jack"
Should some pleasant day come along
And offer an annual fortune
To forget about culture and such—
And accumulate fame in a popular game,
We merely would ask him: "How much?"

JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR
McClure Newspaper Syndicate



"Gosh, Ain't Nature Grand!"

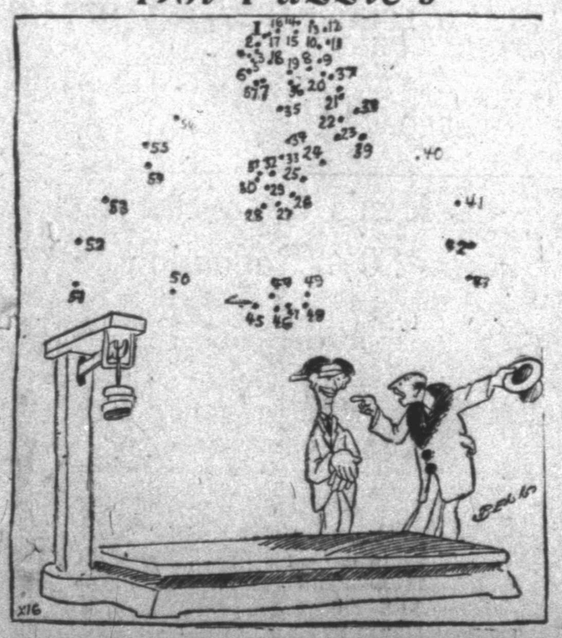
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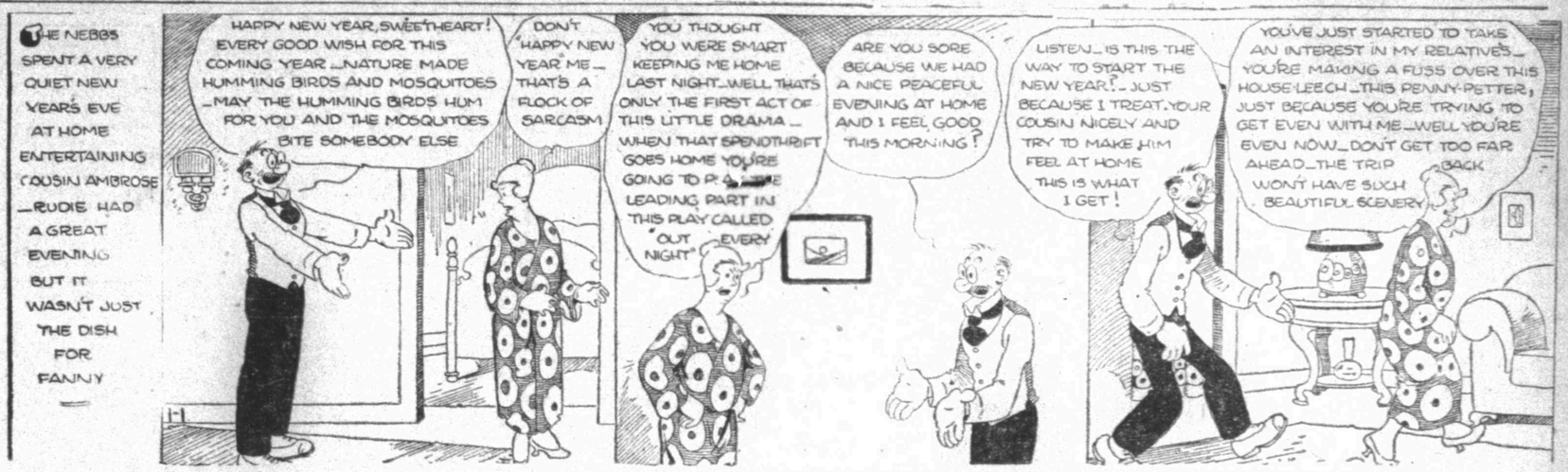
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"Beauty is only skin deep," says Flo, "but I should worry! I don't pet cannibals."

Dot Puzzle's



THE NEBBS



DUMB DORA



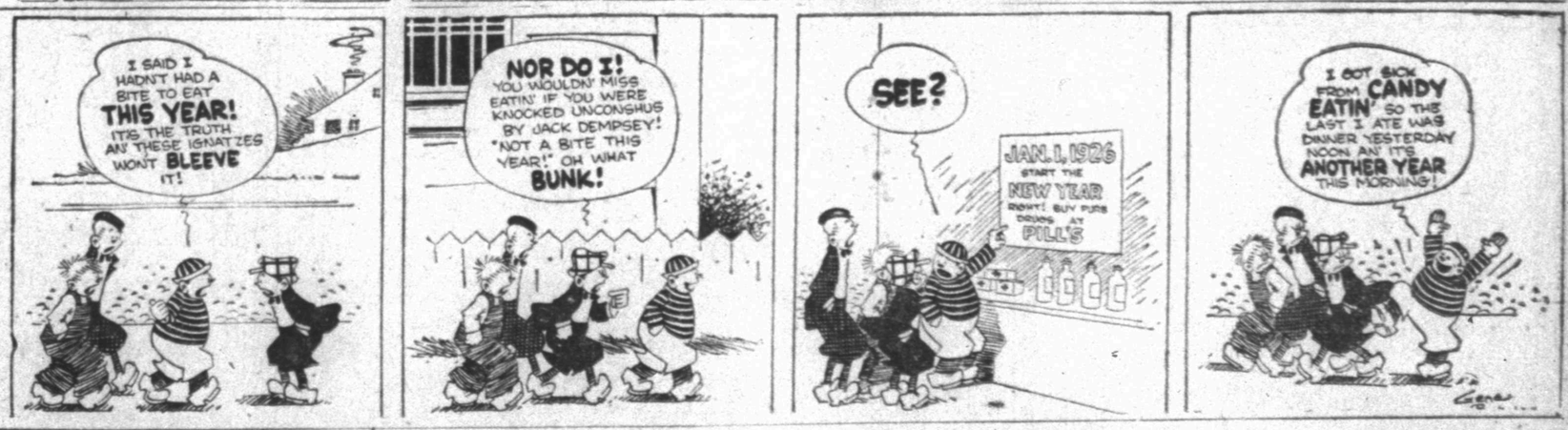
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YOU KNOW ME AL.



REG'LAR FELLERS



MINUTE MOVIES



S. W. Hughes County Thrust Into Oklahoma Oil Picture

Roxana's No. 1, Bruner, May Open New High Gravity Area

HUNTON FORMATION

Sand Is Found Around 4,130 Foot Level; Well Is Flowing

The Spaulding area of Southwestern Hughes county, south of both the Wewoka and Holdenville pools, is one of the bright spots in Central Oklahoma as 1925 ends.

J. L. Brock Jr. and the Roxana Petroleum corporation in No. 1 Bruner, in the southwest corner of the northwest of 28 7-8, which found the Hunton lime a fortnight ago around 4,000 feet, and has had a hole full of oil for several days, was drilled into the rich horizon of the Hunton formation at 4,130 feet. Feeling ahead it found easier drilling at 4,170 to 4,172 feet and when the tools were pulled out the well made a nice flow. It immediately filled up again with a good looking green oil that appears to be high ni gravity. When it did not flow again the tools were rerun and the well is now drilling at 4,175 feet. The formation hardened up again at 4,174 feet.

Rumors were prevalent Wednesday and Thursday that the well was flowing by heads, but the operators persistently denied the story and confirmation of the falsity of the rumors was had from Holdenville and Wewoka.

Oil men watching the Brook-Roxana test, however, are confident that a pool may be opened with the Brook-Roxana test as the discovery.

This test has been an interesting one from the grass roots down. Numerous gas and oil showings have been reported from it.

Oil Gossip

Harry Hines, Consolidated Oil company, is expected back in the city Saturday, after an absence over the holidays while visiting with his family in Kansas City and Chicago.

A. H. Herron of the Consolidated Oil company's office, is expected back in the city late today after a holiday visit in Mississippi.

H. P. Hodge and family left yesterday afternoon to spend the holiday and week-end with his people in Chatfield, Texas. Mr. Hodge is Magnolia's land man here.

A. T. Alison, who has been identified with the banking business in Tulsa for the past 16 years as vice president of the Exchange National bank, has resigned as an officer and from the directorate of that bank effective of Jan. 1, in order to give all of his attention to his oil interests.

NW Harmel Field

Murchison and Fain et al. No. 4, Darlick, third location north of the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of block 1582, T. E. & L. Co survey, northwest Harmel filed, southwest Archer county, is a salt water well in sand at 1,422-24 feet. The No. 5, just east of the old No. 1, abandoned producer in the southwest corner of the lease, was bailing yesterday. Sand had been drilled at 1,393-1,407 feet, and the test looked good for a well.

On the Magnolia Petroleum company's Cowden-Portwood lease, which is the south portion of the northeast quarter of block 1581, T. E. & L. Co. survey, that company had spudded and shut down for water in its No. 6. No. 7 was drilling past a last reported depth of 750 feet.

The Record News want ads give the best results.

News Of The Fields

NW Archer County

Roy I. Carter was held up nearly a day on his No. 3 Parsley, second location south of the northeast corner of the H. & T. C. R. R. Co. survey, section 11, abstract 205, on about ten feet of hard rock and was reported down 1,590 feet early yesterday and drilling with the expectation of picking up the 1,700 foot sand some time today. The well is located in the Mankins district, south of the White Phillips production.

Wichitex-Dixie Area

Wichitex-Dixie were last reported down 1,200 feet and drilling on their No. 4, Jackson, located 360 feet east and ten feet south of the No. 3, in Sec. 132, Aldridge survey, north of Archer City, Archer county.

East of this well, about the third location north from the southwest corner of lot 133, Ross Robertson is reported rigging up on a test, his No. 1, Jackson.

SW Archer City

Consolidated Oil company is rigging up rotary on a test to be located approximately center east and west but 450 feet north of the south line of block 153, Harris subdivision of the Club ranch, Coodie land, southwest of Archer City, central Archer county.

North Young County

Consolidated Oil company is reported rigging up rotary for its No. 1, Hall, located in the northeast corner of the north forty acres of the east 160 acres of the T. E. & L. Co. survey, block 167, northwest Young county.

Holliday District

Consolidated Oil company's No. 1, Hawley, located in the southeast corner of the northeast forty acres of the S. P. R. R. Co. survey, abstract 941, near Holliday, between that city and Mankins, north Archer county, is down below 500 feet, according to reports yesterday.

Garber Field

The Garber field of Garfield county, in Northern Oklahoma, was making 31,724 barrels a day from all sands. Of this production 26,700 barrels was from the deep sands. The salt water output also fell off from 27,900 barrels on Tuesday to 21,200 barrels.

North Wichita County

Bridwell and Mayfield are starting up again and are down below 400 feet after being shut down over the cold weather and the holidays in their No. 1, Schroeder, in the southwest corner of the north sixty acres of block 829, Denison survey, about a mile and a half northwest of Clara, in north Wichita county.

Western Clay County

Murchison and Fain have abandoned their No. 1, Halsell, in Western Clay county, a deep cable tools test, at a total depth of 3,780 feet.

You Know a Tonic is Good 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 50c.

SHIELDS MEETS THOMAS IN JUNIOR TITLE ROUND.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Frank Shields of New York, national boys' outdoor tennis champion, will meet Walter Thomas of Elizabeth, N. J., in the final round of the National Boys' Indoor tennis tournament tomorrow. In the semi-finals today, Shields defeated Warren Coen Jr., of Kansas City, Mo., 2-6, 6-1, 6-1, while Thomas won from Robert Oshman of New York, 6-0, 6-0.

S. P. RAILWAY SPENT 16 MILLIONS IN 1925

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP) More than $16,000,000 was spent by the Southern Pacific lines in railroad equipment during 11925, Hubert A. Loeffler, assistant general freight agent of the railroad with offices in San Antonio, announced today.

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SPECIAL WHILE THEY LAST
We will include in each delivery Friday and Saturday, free of charge, one 50c Melba Beauty Kit.



How do you feel at 5 o'clock?

"ANOTHER day's work done! Now, for a regular dinner—and a good time with the wife and kiddies! Guess we'll see a movie, go for a walk in the park or take a long ride. Bet my wife has a fine juicy steak and potatoes—good cold buttermilk and hot rolls—and pie. Oh, Boy! makes my mouth water just to think of it."

Is that the way you feel at 5 P. M.? Or, are you just too played out for any good when your day's work is over?

If quitting time isn't really beginning time for you, then it's a sure sign that your entire system is starving for healthy, rich, red blood. And this is just as sure a sign that you need S. S. S. You've simply got to build up your blood.

For 100 years S. S. S. has been proving that a run-down system, rheumatism, loss of weight, loss of appetite, sleeplessness and nervousness, just as skin eruptions—boils, pimples, pale complexion and a low-ered vitality, are all the result of blood weak in red cells.

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Once let S. S. S. get to work and the joy of living will come back. 5 P. M. will have a different meaning to you. Get S. S. S. today. All druggists sell it. The larger size is more economical.

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Good Salary if You Can Do The Work—If You Are Not a Good ONE DO NOT APPLY.

Address in own handwriting, Box B-60, care Record News, stating number years experience and how soon you could report for duty.

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1926

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We Wish Them A New Year Filled With Prosperity

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—and we dedicate it to serving our patrons. We offer appreciation for the past prosperous year and extend to you our good wishes for the new year.

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McClurkan's Pre-Inventory Sale of Suits and Overcoats



Such an extensive assortment of fine clothes at such value giving prices could not fail to bring quick clearance of many Suits and Overcoats.

And—that's the only reason for such prices.

All Suits and O'coats formerly selling for $27.50 and $30, now $22.75

All Suits and O'coats formerly selling for $35, $37.50 and $40, now $28.75

All Suits and O'coats formerly selling for $45, $47.50 and $50, now $36.75

All Suits and O'coats formerly selling for $55, $60 and $65, now $43.75

Odd Pants Reduced One-Fourth
ALL FIELD CLOTHES REDUCED ALSO

BOYS' SUITS, O'COATS AND LONG PANTS—25% OFF REGULAR PRICES

EXCEPTIONALLY COMPLETE STOCK OF SMALL BOYS' OVERCOATS



"BOYDEN"

Men's High Shoes 20% Reduction

Beginning Friday morning all men's, boys' and children's Shoes go on sale at 20% less than regular prices.

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"ARCH PRESERVER"
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SCOTT AT NINTH

Post-Holiday Lull On in U. S. Business

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Bradstreet's Saturday will say:

Distributive trade is in the usual post-holiday lull. Wholesalers and jobbers have called their salesmen from the road and are taking inventories and otherwise making ready for spring trade. A good number of fill-in orders are being received especially in hardware and dry goods lines from retailers whose stocks were depleted by the heavy Christmas buying and wholesale business may be said to be well ahead of the previous year's.

Following what is generally regarded as having been the biggest week of holiday buying retail business has ever known, the rtailers, too, have experienced a certain falling off in trade, but the movement of goods is well ahead of that of 1924, having been stimulated by pre-inventory clearance sales. Weekly bank clearings delayed.

C. C. PLANS

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on par with other Texas cities insofar as rates are concerned.

There is nothing new about the principale of an industrial survey. It is merely an attempt to put together all the facts that bear on an industrial problem. The best way to find the most important thing is to collect relevant facts from every possible source and then to put one fact against another until something stands out above all the rest.

Industrial development in larger cities has become so intense that investigations required by these projects have been so important that they now assume the proportions of a comprehensive survey. Surveys as a rule are divided into four classes, as follows:

1—Surveys for cities, districts, railroads or power companies. Purpose: to equalize the characteristics of a place or district and to point out industrial possibilities.

2—Surveys for new industries. Purpose: to find a place suitable for a particular industry.

3—Surveys for expanding industries. Purpose: to develop the field for an existing industry.

4—Surveys for financial purposes. Purpose: to determine the probable outcome of a project.

Answer Questions.

There are certain elements that govern the proper location of a manufacturing enterprise and are among the first questions asked by a prospective new concern. These are power, labor, natural resources and transportation facilities. Any industry depends for its success on one or more of these four elements. Next in importance are climate, health, laws and taxation, public improvements, cost of living, sites for proposed new industries, present industrial development and local attitude toward new industries.

The industrial and transportation department of the chamber of commerce will make an exhaustive survey of all these elements and conditions, which it hopes to complete by the first of April, at which time a comprehensive report will be made to the board of directors and will be published in pamphlet form for general distribution.

Sues "Perfect Lover" for Divorce



Joseph Schildkraut, called the "handsomest man on the stage," and "the perfect lover," may be that on the stage, but he isn't in private life, it is declared by Mrs. Schildkraut, who is suing for a divorce in Philadelphia. The actor denies her charges of extreme cruelty. When they were married in 1922 they entered into an agreement not to nag or criticize each other for five years. They are shown.

ASKS NO VENUE CHANGE

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—F. M. Snow, confessed triple slayer, will not ask a change of venue and will be ready to go to trial January 18, his attorneys announced here today after spending yesterday at Stephenville with him.

Snow's defense will be either insanity or self-defense, depending on the showing made by th state, it was announced.

NEARLY 2 MILLION BALES SENT FROM PORT HOUSTON.

HOUSTON, Dec. 31.—When the calendar year closed tonight, there had moved down the Houston ship channel a total of 1,067,499 bales of cotton during 1925.

REV. BERNARD SINNE IS ELEVATED BY CHURCH.

OMAHA, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Elevation of the Rev. Bernard Sinne, pastor of the St. Mary Magdalene's Catholic church here to the dignity of domestic prelate of the papal household with the title of Monsignor is announced in a telegram received here today from Archbishop J. J. Hart, of Omaha, who is convalescing at Tuscon, Ariz.

The new monsignor is 58 years old and has been in charge of the Omaha pastorate for 21 years.

36 HOMICIDES IN YEAR.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Trivial disputes or domestic troubles were assigned as the prevailing causes in Tarrant county's high record of 36 homicides during 1925.

Arctic Journey To Begin January 20

DETROIT, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Detroit Arctic expedition will leave here for the west coast o na special car January 20 en route to Point Barrow, Alaska.

From Point Barrow the aviator-explorers plan to make an attempt to discover the ice pole by airplane flight, taking off about March 21.

Captain George H. Wilkinson, leader of the expedition and Dr. Vilhjalmur Stefansson, noted Arctic explorer are expected here Saturday to attend a dinner given in their honor by the Detroit aviation society.

THIS FELLOW'S FAST

Alfred Miller, Harvard fullback, weighs over 200 pounds but can step 100 yards in 10 seconds flat.

SOX RELEASE ROBERTSON TO ST. LOUIS BROWNS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Pitcher Charles Robertson of "perfect game fame" today was released by the Chicago White Sox to the St. Louis Browns via waiver. Robertson, who has been with the White Sox five years, became the fifth pitcher to turn in a no-hit, no-run, no-player-reaching-first game when he blanked the Tygers, April 30, 1922.

GIBSON STAYS IN SHAPE.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Frank Gibson, first string maskman of Manager "Beauty" Bancroft's Boston Braves, will "not" be forced to rid himself of much surplus flesh when he reports for spring training. The hustling backstop is keeping in trim by daily handball games at the Austin Athletic club; he is rated one of the best players in the city.

2 Postal Robbers Are Out of Prison

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Notice of the release of two of the four Newton brothers convicted after the Rondout, Ill., $2,000,000 mail train robbery from the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., was received today by Grant B. Miller, chief postal inspector.

Joseph Newton, sentenced to serve three years was paroled, and Jesse was released after having served his sentence of one year, deducting time for good behavior.

Koenig to Star.

Miller Huggins, mite manager of the New York Americans, is positive Mark Koenig of St. Paul, who had a brief trial last fall, will deliver at short.

"What Will YOU Accomplish In 1926?"

Father Time's query is highly appropriate at the moment. Many of us have resolved to grasp the opportunities for advancement and success that are all around us. Success demands only two things, HARD WORK and SELF-CONTROL, and self-control includes the habit of spending less than you earn.

Make up your mind now that you will save more—a great deal more—in 1926 than in previous years. There can never be a better year than this. If you don't use this one well, no use talking or planning about doing better in the others. Your success in 1926 will be more easily achieved with our helpful friendly service.

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And Again We Say "Happy New Year"

Once again the calendar rolls around to the New Year. Once again, we of the Wichita Falls Electric Company have the opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to the public for the many opportunities for service which have presented themselves during the past year.

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In invoicing we have thrown out all short lengths and Remnants from our entire piece goods stock that will go Today and Saturday for.... All Kinds of Cloth. Don't Miss This

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We have grouped for the final clean-up for Today and Saturday, Coats that are worth to three times this price. You'll have to hurry for these. Choice for....

Men's Suits and Overcoats $14.45

Our invoice sheet shows that we have too many left and we have grouped for two days, Today and Saturday, these extra specials for a big rush. Come, get yours while the price is

Men's and Boys' Coat Sweaters 95¢

These are good warm garments and this price will clean them out quick. Better get yours early. Today and Saturday only.....

Ladies' and Children's Dress Slippers 98¢

Odd lots of discontinued and broken sizes that sold to $6.50. After our inventory they go Today and Saturday while they last for only.....

Resolve to start the New Year right—make your dollars do full duty. You never sacrifice quality for low prices here.

GET THE HABIT—SAVE AT WILLIAM'S

HOW DO WE DO IT?

JANUARY CLEARANCE Sale



Complete clearance of all $5.00 Wool Dresses $2.95 These are all New Dresses.

Complete clearance of all $5.00 Silk Dresses $3.75 A few Spring Dresses in the lot.

Complete clearance of all $10.00 Silk Dresses $6.95 These are some of the newest style Dresses.



Complete clearance of $15.00 Wool Dresses $8.95 All pure wool, black trimmed in new colors.

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ALL COATS ½ PRICE



All Fall Hats $1.00

New Spring Hats $2.95 and $3.95.

This lot consists of $5.00 hats.

Clearing all corsets 50c
All Effel Silk Hose 98c
All Tower Silk Hose 50c
House Shoes 50c
All Crepe Scarfs $1.19
All Leather Purses 98c
All House Dresses 98c
Blankets ..... 69c and up
Wool and Suede Gloves 50c
Jersey Silk Vests 98c
Jersey Silk Bloomers $1.95
Jersey Silk Petticoats $1.95
All Handkerchiefs 5c

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The Classified Staff Of The Record News

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It is nothing but fair to the many loyal friends who have made possible the growth of our business to extend each and all the very best wish possible. May each day of the New Year bring you Health and Happiness.

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Everybody's Used Car Market
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May the Coming Year Bring You Many Blessings

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GREETINGS

AS AN APPRECIATION OF YOUR PATRONAGE AND A TOKEN OF OUR DESIRE TO SERVE WE WISH YOU ALL A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

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Has Half Chance to Wear Crown



If Otto, youthful heir apparent, does not ascend Hungary's throne by 1930, rights of succession will go to Archduke Albrecht (above), as a result of agreement reached in Budapest between representatives of the two. Hungary is now ruled by a regency.

Rains in Alaska Blamed on Steam From McKinney

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Intermittent rains here since last night were today attributed to an immense volume of steam which was seen Tuesday issuing from Mount McKinley, monarch of the Alaska range 100 miles north of here. Such rain has been unknown in Southern Alaska at this time of year.

Merle Lavoy a photographer who was a partner of Belmore Brown in 1910 in an attempt to ascend the mountain which is 20,300 feet high, said today that at 12,000 feet the party encountered an extinct volcanic crater.

An immense glacier, it was stated, has since filled this crater, which was on the north side of the main peak.

Visibility was low today and the mountain, the biggest on this continent was not seen.

Britain Is Struck By Thunderstorms

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Great Britain was struck by another westerly gale last night, bringing heavy rain storms which further raised the waters of the already swollen rivers. In London two men were killed and eight injured when a chimney crashed into the dormitory of a Stepney workship. More than 100 telegraph and telephone lines were down in the country. A mail train crashed into fallen trees at Berwyn, Wales, but only the locomotive was damaged.

DAM BURSTS.

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A dispatch from Oedenburg, in Burgenland, western Hungary, says the dam at Kleinrasb, on the Rabb river, burst last night, menacing 30 villages.

An unconfirmed report states that 75 miners were drowned when the salt mines at Muos-Ujvary were flooded.

Bambinus Most Pathetic Figure In Sport Today

Ruth Has Long Old Road To Travel For His Comeback

If, in all this chronicling of the sporting events and celebrites of 1925, one should seek for the most pathetic figure he might well choose Babe Ruth.

The winter of his greatest discontent finds him a truly pathetic figure—shorn of most of the glamor that he wove about himself with the wide swinging strokes of his mighty bat—shorn of much of the power in his great body through illness and ill advised attempts to 'comeback" before he was fit—and shorn of some, at least, of the popularity that was his in his beyday.

Working Hard.

This winter finds him laboring diligently in an eastern gymnasium trying to rebuild a constitution shattered by illness, luxurious living and a much too care-free bearing.

He must return to a form somewhat approaching his old, and strike a stride with the bat somewhat approaching the old within a few months or sink into oblivion.

The passing of the 1925 baseball season saw Ruth dethroned as batting champion, as home run king and as scorer of the most runs.

He watched Bob Mensel, once a fellow aristocrat of the diamond, knuckle down to work and lift the home run crown from off his (Babe's) head. Harry Heilman, Detroit slugger, slammed his way to the batting championship. And Johnny Mostil, he of the fleet feet and White Sox, copped the run scoring honors.

Penitent Babe.

The close of the season, however, also found Ruth a penitent Ruth, aware at last that he could not go on as he had done and live in the spotlight of fame and luxury of riches. He realized he had brought the disfavor of the fans and his bosses by his actions. And he admitted frankly that he had squandered a quarter of a million dollars of the money he had earned in his big years.

So, if he has awakened at last to the relative value of all things and a realization that he must do and not live on rep, the year has given him something, albeit in a rather rough way.

On Trail of Clues to Cancer Remedy



Dr. Francis C. Wood, director of Crocker Institute of Cancer Research, New York, is on his way to follow up several clues which may result in discovery of an effective treatment for the disease.

Princess, 13, Is Engaged to Marry

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The 13-year-old Princess Abida, granddaughter of her highness the Begum of Bhopal, India's only woman ruler, is betrothed to Nawab Sarawar Ali Khan Kurwai, but the Begum says she will not be married until she is 14, "which is quite early enough to take over wifely responsibilities.

Abida, who had been educated solong English lines and who at present is here with her grandmother, has been entering into London's social life with much zest. She has been photographed many times in English dress, afoot and on horseback. The bride groom-to-be, who is 25 years old, was educated at Oxford.

The Begum of Bhopal rules over a state in India comprising 6,902 square miles and a population of nearly 900,000. She went to London in September accompanied by a large entourage of turbaned ministers to decide with Great Britain the question of her successor to the throne of Bhopal as between her only surviving son, Nawab Alijah Mohammed Nasrulla Khan, and her grandchild. The Begum is 67 years old.

British And French Golf Kings To Meet Jones And Gunn In Big Tilt

As most golf addicts recall, one of the most exciting moments in the links game of the long departed summer of 1925 was the battle waged by Bobby Jones, 1924 king, and Watts Gunn, his own neighbor, for the amateur crown. Gunn, a virtual newcomer in tournament play, extended Jones to the limit in a day's golf that was bad for the weak hearted.

Europe, about the same time, was thrilled with the close finish in the French open championship tourney. Arnaud Massey, French star, and Arthur Compston, British amatteur champion, faced each other in the final of the French tourney and were tied when the final hole had been played. Massey won the honor in the play-off that was necessary to decide it.

It is of unusual interest, therefore, that Jones and Gunn, playing together this time, are scheduled to face Compston and Massey as a team, in an exhibition match at St. Augustine, Fla., Jan. 8.

This will be the first big golf match of the baby year of 1926. It promises to produce a brand of golf that will be something for the leading lights to shoot at the rest of the year.

Jones is without a doubt the greatest tournament player in the game today. Gunn, a pupil of Jones, gave evidence in the national open that he will make a bid for major honors within the next two or three seasons.

Compston heads the European golfers for 1925, at least. He won the British amateur, as chronicled, finished a stroke or two behind Long Jim Barnes, American and victor, in the British open, and then played his way into the final of the French open.

In addition to these achievements he defeated Abe Mitchell, another well known British star familiar to American golfers, on two occasions and also won two $5,000 tournaments.

Massey, in turning back the Britisher and the French open, showed his class as a tournament golfer. After playing superb golf through the tourney he nosed out Compston in the play-off by one stroke.

The Europeans, making their first appearance here, bring plenty of experience. Compston is 32, and has been playing since his youth. Massey is near 40. He won the British open title back in 1907.

Jones is twenty-three and Gunn but 119. Bobby, however, has been playing tournament golf for something like seven or eight years.

Roads Are Refused Rates on Nitrate

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Railroads serving New Orleans and nearby points were refused permission by the interestate commerce commission today to increase rates on nitrate of soda moving to Arkansas and Oklahoma points by 2 1-2 cents per 100 pounds.

Under existing rates the railroads have been absorbing a 2 1-2 cent handling charge on the nitrates at the ports, but by pending schedules they proposed to add this amount to the freight charge. The commission held that their earnings from the rates were sufficient to pay the handling charges out of them.

Ty Cobb said he would play in 100 games in 1925. The records credit him with 101 performances. He expects to hit the century mark again next season.

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LOTS OF NOISE FOR NEW YEAR

Hundreds Swarm to Down Town Party On Scott

Wichita Falls greeted New Year Thursday night in noisy style, 1926, somewhat blustery and belligerent despite its strangeness, came in on schedule to the accompaniment of shrieking horns, roaring whistles, popping fireworks and leather-lunged shouts from thousands. The celebration went off about as everybody expected it would; nothing out of the ordinary took place; most everybody had a good time; and when it was all over they went home in the small hours of the morning, content in the knowledge they had done their part in extending welcome and that the current year had been properly started on its long reign.

Cops Have Dance.

Most of the down-town activity centered around Scott avenue between Eleventh and Twelfth where the police department staged its big benefit dance. The thing was liberally patronized and served as a sort of one-night community recreation center for hundreds who had nowhere else to go and make a racket.

A big crowd was on hand as early as 8 o'clock but nothing happened until 9 sharp. Chief of Police Hodgins, who was on hand in full dress with a regiment of blue coats and plain-clothesmen, started the fun. Promptly at 9 p. m. ten officers with blank cartridges in their guns shot the moon with a burst of flame and noise, the orchestra struck up and the shuffle was on.

The street was well lit; a passable dancing surface had been improvised by liberal applications of corn meal; two orchestras blared consistently; the cops passed out confetti, tin horns, paper caps— and in the end a pleasant time was had by all, to use a new expression.

Others Celebrate.

While this was going on self-constituted welcoming committees did their stuff in other sections of the business district. They made use principally of fireworks as agencies of acclaim.

At practically all local church services of some kind were held. Most of them took the form of social watch-nights, although rather pretentious musical entertainments were provided in one or two instances.

Private watch-parties and dances were numbered by the score.

Theatres enjoyed heavy patronage at the midnight matinees. Almost every show in town ran special performance from 12 until 2 o'clock and all reported capacity crowds.

All in all it was a New Year's eve of about ordinary proportions, maybe a little bigger and noisier than before —but a good one at that.

Bartlett Named As New Marshal Here

John J. Bartlett of Fort Worth who arrived from Fort Worth Thursday night will assume his duties today as deputy marshal here, taking the place of John W. Saye, who resigned early in December. Mr. Bartlett has been connected with the United States marshal's office in Fort Worth for a number of years.

Mr Saye has not announced definitely his plans for the future.

BRANCH TAX OFFICE

Property owners and taxpayers of Burkburnett may pay their 1925 property tax and their 1926 automobile tax at the chamber of commerce in Burkburnett, either to C. R. Cowles or W. A. Roberts, according to announcement from the office of Guy C. Raley, county tax collector, who has made the arrangements.

Chamber Banquet Tickets Go on Sale

Tickets for the annual banquet of the Wichita Falls chamber of commerce will go on sale Monday at the chamber of commerce offices. The banquet will be held January 8 at the junior college cafeteria.

Charles L. Francis and Ed S. Vaught of Oklahoma City will be the chief speakers. Preceding the dinner, a concert will be given by Gerald Pond's Community Band, and music will be furnished during the evening by the local high school band.

The committee in charge of plans for the dinner has the following members: Frank Timberlake, Mrs. W. P. Killingsworth, Dr. L. Mackechney, George Gutzman, R. Vaughn Ray and Mrs. P. A. Wesly.

BUSINESS AS USUAL

Offices at City Hall and Court House To Run On New Year's Day.

New Year's day will mean little to Wichita Falls officialdom so far as a holiday is concerned, a survey of offices at both the court house and city hall yesterday showed. District clerk, county clerk, sheriff, city clerk and of course, the police departments, will be kept going at full blast, and be open for business all day long.

H. C. CARTER DEAD

H. C. Carter, 50, died at the General Hospital early Thursday morning. The body is being held at the Merkle Undertaking Parlors pending word from his sister, Mrs. Mary Watson of Tennie.

He has lived on a farm near Iowa Park and had been ill but a short time when he died.

BIRTHS LEAD

Comparison of the vital statistics of the city show that during 1925 there were 1,527 births and 548 deaths, making an increase in population of almost one thousand, according to reports from the health department yesterday.

For Sure, Quick Results, Try a Classified ad in The Record News. You'll be surprised at Results.

Oral Jones Takes Another Complex Along With His Business And Civic Duties—He's An Author

Texas Bankers Record Carries a Merry Essay On Smiles From Pen of City National's Jovial And Grinning Cashier.

Along with the weighty matters of functioning as an executive of a big bank, ramroding a Sunday school class, acting as guardian of the municipal exchequer and attending to multitudinous other duties, Oral Jones, cashier of the City National bank, has branched out in another line.

He has turned author this time and has contributed to the Texas Bankers Record a story on the place good cheer has in the business world. The story is titled "A Cheerful Estimate of the Value of a Smile—in Dollars and Sense." The editor of the magazine starts out by saying that this is "a merry essay by the jovial Oral Jones, cashier of the City National Bank, Wichita Falls;" and then Jones takes it up thusly:

"Back to the very first beginning,
Out to the undiscovered ends;
There's nothing worth the wear of winning
But laughter and the love of friends."

Since laughter is a conglomeration of matured smiles, I guess it will be all right to start out with a bang, even if I do happen to end up in a fizzle.

"A smile," says Webster, "is a change of facial expression, the most notable components of which are a brightening of the eyes and an upward curving of the corners of the mouth."

A Smile Invaluable.

I should say, in addition, that a smile is the sign of friendliness, the germ of happiness, the password of brotherhood and a gift to be desired by all mankind.

There are several different species of smiles, therefore, the value of a smile necessarily lies in the condition of the mind and heart of the one who is "delivering the goods."

The smile which denotes amusement, or restrained mirth, is, to my mind, invaluable. No matter how far a man has sunken into the "Deep Blue Sea," an exchange of jokes, or the relating of actual, laughable experiences, accompanied by a jovial "Ha! Ha!" or even a smile, will lift him out of the depths to the coveted "Road of Happiness," and start him on his way rejoicing. Could a smile of this nature be given a valuation in dollars and cents? I say—NO!

There is, however, one smile which might, in a sense, be classed as a commercial smile. This is the smile of pleasure or approval when considering, from an employer's standpoint, the value of the employe with a smile, compared with the employe who exhibits a perpetual grouch; for, naturally, the employe who renders "Service with a Smile" not only merits the approval of his employer, but creates a spirit of satisfaction which, in the end, results in happy and contented customers. This smile, of course, has a great value in dollars and cents, both to the employed and to the employe.

No Sarcasm.

I might mention another kind of smile which is occasionally delivered, for which we all would, no doubt, prefer to pay out all of our "Honest-to-Goodness" money, rather than to be the recipient of said smile. I now refer to the ironic smile of the "I-told-you-so-" or the sarcastic smile of "Now-see-what-you-did!" These, we might say, have considerable value in dollars and cents, though—on the other side of the ledger.

Another great writer has said that, "The smile that is worth the praises of earth, is the smile that shines through tears." While that may be all right, I prefer to entirely separate tears from smiles, placing the tears in the most remote corner of my mind, (if it has corners), and smile, smile, smile.

"I smile when I'm glad, so the folks will know it;
I smile when I'm sad, so as not to show it."

Smiles and Music.

A smile on one's face has practically the same effect as has music to the ear, or perfume to the nostrils, or love to the heart; it charges the whole soul with a keen desire to obtain the very best life has to offer, and instills into our minds the power to overcome all undesirable symptoms of humanity.

What is the value of a smile in dollars and cents? Well, to make a long story short, you may as well ask me, what is the monetary value of the rain to the flowers, or the sunshine to the world, or the love of a mother for her babe, because, in my estimation, there is no greater asset, or more precious, invaluable gift, than a smile, and, especially the smile of a god, true and tried friend. I can think of nothing that is more sustaining, uplifting and satisfying to me than the smile that accompanies the clasping of hands, which signifies sincere friendship, loyalty and love.

"To wear a smile,
I'd walk a mile,
And then I'd walk some more;
For the man worth while
Is the man who can smile
When the rest of the world is sore."

Daniels Sees Bright Future For Oil World

Wichita Falls and the oil business have an exceedingly bright outlook for 1926, was the gist of a New Year's talk made Thursday at the Rotary club's weekly luncheon by O. U. (Dan) Daniels.

The present thriving condition of the oil business which, quoting Judge Silbert H. Gary, the steel magnate, Daniels said next to the steel industry rules the world, and with the prospects in store augur a very successful 12 months through 1926 for Wichita Falls.

Danils gave statistics on oil production and consumption as evidence of continued prosperity, spoke optimistically on the outlook of a solid and sound market governed by supply and demand, and pointed out that the oil industry is in the hands of experienced and capable men and not of men of the haphazard, get-rich-quick type who came into the industry during the old boom days.

Hubert Harrison, chamber of commerce manager, announced the annual banquet of the chamber of commerce and spoke briefly of the campaign which is to follow.

Roy J. Daniel, representative to the state legislature from this district, gave a brief "How-do-you-do? Glad-to-be-with-you" address.

Les Stringer, new Rotarian, was given a greeting and information the third degree is to follow soon.

Miss Octavia Powell, petite and pretty member of the Edna Park stock company now playing at the Majestic theatre, entertained with a number of violin solos. J. S. Pitman accompanied Miss Powell on the piano.

FIREMEN ON TWIN SHIFTS

Double Platoon System To Be Inaugurated at All Stations

The Wichita Falls fire department will initiate the double platoon system at all of its stations today when 14 new men are employed to bring the number of firemen up to a point where regular day and night shifts can be maintained. The first shifts under the new system will go on duty at 8 o'clock this morning, and will be relieved at 6 o'clock this afternoon by the night shifts. The shifts will number eleven men each at the central station, six men each at No. 2 station and four men each at both No. 3 and No. 4 stations.

60 Applications.

More than 60 applications for the 14 new positions on the fire department had been received yesterday afternoon, it was understood. A drawing system will likely be employed in filling the positions, all drawing to be of course, dependent on the applicant's ability to pass the requisite physical tests. The selections of the new employes will be made at 8 o'clock this morning.

Authorization of the platoon system in the fire department of the city was received from the city council at its meeting last Monday night. The 14 additions to the force that it involves will bring the personnel of the department up to 50 men.

ANOTHER BUS LINE SOON

Traction Company Will Start Service Within 10 Days.

The establishment of a second motor bus line in Wichita Falls will be completed perhaps within the next ten days. Two new Dodge Graham, 20-passenger buses, were received by the Wichita Falls Traction company Thursday and will be in operation soon, the manager, L. L. Albritton, said yesterday.

1926 WELCOMED BY CHURCHES

Music and Programs Are Given at Many Points

The New Year of 1926 was given a good start on its journey last night when special programs and prayer services were held at various churches over the city.

Those churches participating in the ushering out of 1925 and the welcoming in of 1926 included the First Presbyterian, First Methodist, First Christian, Grace Methodist, Episcopal, Nazarene, Evangelical and others.

The Sacred Heart church will participate in special services today.

REV. L. D. GRAFTON OF AUSTIN IS VISITOR HERE.

Rev. L. D. Grafton of Austin, brother of Dr. Nat F. Grafton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will speak Sunday morning and evening at the services at the Floral Heights Presbyterian church. He will speak at the East Side Presbyterian Mission at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS BEGINS AT CHURCH SUNDAY.

An every member canvass for the current expenses of the First Presbyterian church will be made Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock, according to announcements made from the church yesterday. The workers will meet at the church and find the teams and calling list prepared for the canvass.

CHURCH OFFICERS ELECTED AT YALE AVE. EVANGELICAL.

Results of the election of church officers for the Yale Avenue Evangelical church are announced as follows:

E. R. Higginbotham, class leader; J. R. Moore, superintendent; Bill Entrekin, assistant superintendent; Eva Fantrekin, secretary; Mrs. Ela Mae C. Hosford, corresponding secretary; Roy Higginbotham, librarian; Mrs. R. L. Mansell, pianist; Miss Edna Hull, assistant pianist; Mrs. W. D. Cook, treasurer; Mrs. G. W. Dewar, press reporter; Mrs. Hailey, assistant press reporter.

ROY J. DANIEL ASKS ELECTION

State Representative to Seek Post in July Primary

Roy J. Daniel, state representative from this district, announced Thursday night on the eve of his departure for Kentucky to complete his studies in law, that he would be a candidate for re-election to office again at the democratice primary in July.

Mr. Daniel, one of the youngest representatives in the state, was elected in 1924 and served with distinction in the 39th legislature.

The representative issued the following statement:

"On the eve of my return to law school I wish to thank again the people of Wichita county for having honored me with election to the Texas legislature place No. 1 in 1924, and to announce my candidacy for re-election subject to action of democratic primary next July. Upon my return about June the first I shall do my best to see in person every citizen of Wichita county in the interest of my candidacy. I wish to announce for re-election to the house upon the simplest platform in the world to understand—that of unselfish service to all the people of Wichita county, the best county in all Texas.

Service Cars Must Have Licenses Today

Some 35 or 40 service car drivers and bus owners must pay their $10 operation fee today or come up for violation of the city's new bus ordinance, according to city clerk C. E. McBroom. The bus ordinance as passed a week or so ago provides an annual fee of $10 rather than the $25 fee previously exacted. The ordinance names Jan. 1 as the last day on which the fees may be paid.

The ordinance also names today as the last on which busses and service cars may remain parked on the streets. A depot has been provided on Ohio avenue, of which it is understood, most of the cars will avail themselves.

'nn at Y. W. To Change Operators

The Mary-Margaret Inn, the cafeteria at the Y. W. C. A. which has been operated by Misses Jan and Madge Miller, will be under the management of Mrs. E. S. Underhill after January 1, according to announcement Thursday.

Mrs. Underhill is former dietitian of the general hospital.

The Misses Miller leave today for Amarillo where they with their sister, Miss Hattie Miller, formerly of this city, will open a cafeteria in that place.

The cafeteria will be closed today, but will be opened at the usual hours Saturday, it was announced.

Lexington, Miss., Struck by Fire

LEXINGTON, Miss., Dec. 31.—(AP)—A fire which threatened the business section of Lexington today was brought under control during the afternoon although the water supply was exhausted. The total damage is estimated at $50,000.

George McMillan, thrown from a building when a gasoline stove exploded, was slightly injured. Several others received minor hurts.

WOULD TAKE LAND OUT OF TARRANT IRRIGATION DIST.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Permission to withdraw 42,000 acres in the northwest section of the county from Tarrant county water improvement district No. 1, planning extensive reclamation and irrigation work over the county, was asked by petitioners at a hearing before the water users' directors here. The meeting adjourned until Monday without final action. The stand of the petitioners was they would receive no benefit from proposed irrigation projects, since their land would not be susceptible to irrigation by gravity flow from the proposed reservoir system. They also contended their land was not irrigable in its nature.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC REFORM MEETING URGED.

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Reform of alleged "commercial" conditions in high school athletics would be considered at a proposed conference of school officials from schools al lover the United States, Dr. Norman R. Crozier, Dallas superintendent of schools, said tonight that the Dallas schools will probably sponsor such a meeting in case Forest high school wins the state interscholastic football championship in the game with Waco tomorrow.

MA SETS TEXAS RECORD BY PROPERTY CONVEYANCE.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The first instance in Texas of a woman signing a property conveyance without being joined by her husband and without a court order was recorded here today when Governor Miriam A. Ferguson signed the deed conveying the American Legion memorial hospital at Kerrville to the United States war veterans' bureau.

DYKE ON MEUSE BREAKS; 3 DUTCH TOWNS FLOODED.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A dyke along the river Meuse near Grave, was swept away by the rushing waters today, inundating the villages of Overasselt, Nederasselt, Balgoy and the surrounding country.

The Old Home Town

Mrs. J. T. Carter is ill at her home on Ninth street.

T. H. Rowe of Houston spent Thursday in Wichita Falls.

O. L. McKnight of Dallas was in the city yesterday on business.

R. L. House of Abilene transacted business in Wichita Falls yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Carter of St. Louis are Wichita Falls visitors for a day or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hines are expected back tomorrow from a holiday trip to Kansas City and the north.

E. C. Priebe, with the Reiter-Foster Oil Corporation, is spending a few days in Breckenridge on business.

Mrs. W. B. Hamilton returned yesterday afternoon from Fort Worth and Dallas where she visited relatives over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hodge left yesterday afternoon for a short visit with Mr. Hodge's people in Chatfield, Texas.

C. A. Watkins and son, Elvin Watkins, of Quanah, members of the firm of Perkins-Watkins company, were in the city on business Thursday.

Marriage licenses were issued to three couples yesterday. They were C. L. Knight, Comanche, Okla., and Alma Hatzel; Walter Caldwell and Miss Beatrice Parrish; A. H. Harris and Miss Ruth Doty.

W. L. Davidson, manager of the Oriental Studios was attacked with appendicitis last Wednesday. He underwent an operation Thursday and his condition is reported as favorable.

Public Utilities commissioner P. B Curd and Mrs. Curd expect to leave today on a ten-day trip to Biloxi, Mississippi. The trip is a compliment from the Protective Life Insurance company for whom Mr. Curd writes insurance here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wrenn of Amarillo have returned from New Orleans where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Wrenn's sister, Mrs. L. M. Trice. They are visiting with her mother, Mrs. M. M. Montgomery.

Harry McLaughlin, formerly manager of the Municipal Gas company of this city, but now connected with the main office in Dallas, is spending the year-end holidays in Wichita Falls. Mr. McLaughlin reports a favorable year with his organization.

The many friends of T. A. Bradley, advertising manager for Perkins-Timberlake Co., will be glad to learn that he is recovering from several days illness confining him to his home. Mr. Bradley was able to be on duty Thursday.

KEMP TO STAY WITH DIST. 1

J. M. Baber Will Take Place Of Noble After Jan. 12

Four of the five present directors of irrigation district No. 1 will seek re-election to their office when directors are elected for another year term on January 12. So far as is known they will have no opposition, although petitions may be circulated and the name of any property owner submitted in nomination for the post.

The decision to serve again was made by the directors Thursday morning when they met to discuss the coming year's plans. T. B. Noble was the only one of the five who declined to serve again, h efinally being relieved on his earnest solicitation that he be allowed to relinquish the heavy duties attached to the directorship office. He has been extremely active in the development of the project and his colleagues sought to induce him to remain, but he finally won his point.

Losing Valuable Man.

"We are losing a valuable man when Mr. Noble retires," J. A. Kemp, president of the board said yesterday; "he has rendered long and unselfish service and we would all like to see him remain with us. He feels, however, that he cannot spare further time from his personal affairs, so his name will not be used again."

Mr. Kemp himself will seek another term, he finally decided Thursday, and this is tantamount to his election. He had demurred for a time, asking that he also be allowed to retire; but other directors would not listen to his stepping out of the presidency at this time when development of the irrigated valley requires careful handling. Under their urgent plea Mr. Kemp consented to stay as a director for another two year term.

Baber to Succeed Noble.

To succeed Mr. Noble, J. M. Baber, prominent real estate man has been placed in nomination by the directors. He is thoroughly familiar with land problems of the territory, is an experienced realtor and a capable business man.

The remaining members of the board, J. S. Bridewell, G. C. Wood and N. H. Martin will all seek re-election although all had expressed a hope they might be relieved of their duties as directors.

A petition bearing 60 names and asking that the slate named above be submitted to the voters on January 12, was filed at the irrigation offices last night, G. A. Remington announced.

Postal Receipts Here In $61,162 Gain In 1925, Report Shows

Growth of Wichita Falls during the year just closed has been reflected in many ways and especially in its postal receipts which have surpassed all records according to reports issued yesterday. The year's total with the last two days of December estimated, showed a gain of $61,162.37 over last year, and a total of $287,469.70. This was a gain of $86,083.93 over 1923.

Postal receipts (estimated) for December, 1925, totaled $33,000 was $6,265.31 more than that of the same month of 1924, and a gain of $10,213.65 over the total of 1923.

BANK CLEARINGS SHOW INCREASE

Sum Of $51,440,126 Is Reported By Local Association

That 1925 has been a prosperous year for Wichita Falls is shown in bank clearings with an increase of more than $51,000,000 over clearings of this year in comparison to those of 1924, according to a statement issued by the Wichita Falls Clearing House association.

The month of December, 1925, shows an increase of $2,688,325.19 over the clearings of the same month in 1924.

The clearings follow:

December, 1925	$15,853,519.23
December, 1924	13,165,194.04
Increase	$2,688,325.19
Jan. 1, 1925, to Dec. 31,	
1925, inc.	$170,705,772.82
Same period 1924	119,265,645.81
Increase	$51,440,126.72

Corn for fattening steers that have hogs ruuning with them need not be ground unless it has become so dry and flinty as to make the mouths of the cattle sore.

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Wichita Falls In Review For 1925 and What Happened By the Calendar

January

1. City celebrates New Year's quietly.
Jack Jackson found guilty of murdering Walter Jones in November 1924, sentenced to 25 years in prison.
New county officers take up duties.
3. Three negroes jailed in E. F. Riley gem theft case.
5. City council orders in 13 blocks of paving.
6. Mrs. A. R. Bleakley elected president of civic league.
8. Acute need of rain felt throughout North Texas.
9. Annual banquet of chamber of commerce held at Junior college.
Miss Edna Robinson wins first prize in chamber of commerce cotton growing contest.
10. E. B. McClure, ex-special agent for Denver railway, sentenced to five years imprisonment for murder of negro tramp.
13. Chamber of commerce starts campaign for $50,000 budget for 1925.
14. First traffic light put in operation at Eighth and Indiana.
15. Mrs. Ola G. Hamlin elected president of women's Forum.
16. J. T. Harrell elected president of the chamber of commerce.
Young people of First Methodist church present "The Fete of the Months."
17. Drs. Jones, Lee and Keil announce plans for new $200,000 hospital.
18. Wichita Falls covered with snow blanket 9.8 inches thick.
21. Fire sweeps Sacred Heart church. Loss $70,000.
22. Price of crude oil raised 10 to 42 cents per barrel.
26. Severe cold wave grips North Texas.
30. Wichita Falls Safety council organized.
J. B. Wells, 70, killed by truck at Sixth and Burnett.
Bar association holds annual meeting.

February

January sets building permit record with $398,000 total.
Feb. 1—City council opposes Parnell utilities bill.
Feb. 2—City ranks sixth in December building permits for state.
Feb. 4—Chamber of commerce disapproves Parnell utilities bill.
Feb. 6—Jack Barnard of the P. B. M. company store, chosen head of chamber of commerce business council for 1925, Frank Quiesser, vice chairman.
Feb. 8—Kiwanis club members take charge as editors of Record-News for one day.
Feb. 10—Colvin S. Brown arrives to aid chamber of commerce in organization service bureau.
Feb. 11—Day's traffic accident toll, one killed and six hurt.
Feb. 14—Mayor Frank Collier kills his son-in-law, Buster Robertson, in front of mother's home, Seventeenth and Scott Streets.
Feb. 15—Enormous crowds pack theatre in attendance at the Nyack religious movement.
Feb. 16—Mayor Collier refuses to make statement.
Feb. 18—Collier resigns as mayor, R. E. Shepherd elected in his place.
Feb. 19—Grand jury considers Collier case.
Feb. 20—Lower light rates for city. Wichita Falls Electric Co. agrees to material cut.
Feb. 21—Col. E. M. House, in telegram from New York, greets the Kiwanis club.
Texhoma Oil Co. gives $500 to the mother of Buster Robertson, announced by W. B. Hamilton, president.
Feb. 22—Chamber of commerce sends Senator Parnell a message again asking him to "desist," in his opposition to Governor "Ma" Ferguson in her veto of the free pass bill.
Delegation of Wichita Falls boosters make trip to Oklahoma City to confer with Oklahoma highway commission relative to free bridge across Red River.
Feb. 23—Collier case before the grand jury.
Feb. 24—No report from grand jury on Collier case.
Action for free bridge over Red River taking definite form.
Feb. 25—Frank Collier indicted for murder.
Feb. 26—Mary Francis Robertson visits her father in jail. Collier demands bail, asks for a writ of habeas corpus.
Feb. 27—Fort Worth and Denver announces it will run trains to Dallas.
Frank Collier to seek his release from jail on bond today through habeas corpus proceedings.

March

1. Spring style show starts.
2. Frank Collier freed on $25,000 bail.
Cotton here brings 25 cents, highest price since October, 1924.
Texas U. ex-students in heated debate on Stark-Neff rumpus.
3. First Spudders report for 1925 practice.
4. City National bank observes its 35th birthday.
7. Wichita Falls and Southern railroad shops burn. Loss $125,000.
9. A. F. Russell of this city resists efforts of Massachusetts authorities to return him to that state to face wife desertion charge. Governor Ferguson refuses to honor extradition of Governor Fuller.
11. Mrs. A. M. Bridges killed in fall from buggy on Henrietta road.
Miss Irene Andrews killed in auto accident near Decatur.
13. First of 1,000 delegates to state I. O. O. F. and Rebekah convention arrive in city.
Mrs. W. F. Mullins, defense witness in Collier case, arrested on perjury charge.
Mural painting by Emil Hermann, gift of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Johnson to Junior college, unveiled in auditorium.
16. One juror chosen in Collier case.
Mrs. Ada Ramsey, Wichita Falls, named grand warden of Rebekahs.
17. Eight jurors in Collier case.
18. Eleven jurors in Collier case.
19. Testimony starts after Collier jury is selected.
20. Collier and wife on witness stand.
21. Collier case continues.
22. Andy Johnson, city fireman, killed in gasoline explosion during fire in Uneeda Tailor shop, 1105 Eighth street. Four other firemen severely burned.
Mrs. Hattie Robertson testified in Collier case.
Dr. Lincoln McConnell opens First Baptist revival.
24. Arguments start in Collier case.
25. Collier case closed, case goes to jury.
26. Collier guilty of manslaughter, three years in prison.
27. Collier denied new trial, perfects appeal bond, released.
29. Dr. C. C. Selecmann opens First Methodist church revival.
30. City council orders in three miles of new street paving.
Jan. 31—Automatic traffic signal system begins operations.

April

April 1—City's fiscal year ends.
Building permits for 1926, are predicted to reach four million dollars. This is based on first three months of this year which totals $1,201,510.
First rain since late in 1924. Electrical disturbances in northwest; cloudburst at Chillicothe.
April 2—Mayor R. E. Shepherd's statement shows that taxes in Wichita Falls covering four year period have declined.
April 6—Grand jury of thirtieth court convenes.
April 7—R. E. Shepherd elected mayor. Frank Quelsser elected fire and police commissioner; J. H. Patton, commissioner of parks and Oral Jones, commissioner of finance.
Mrs. Frank Collier indicted.
April 10—Charles Glenny, farmer, kills his son, Robert Glenny, following family quarrel.
April 12—Record-News home beautiful, 1816 Pearl Street, is visited by 10,000 persons who wonder at the beauty and convenience of this modern house.
April 13—New city officials to take office Monday night.
W. F. Hogan is killed as result of auto collision.
April 15—City launches fight on drunken car drivers.
April 17—Population of Wichita Falls, 58,022 in July, it is estimated by census bureau in Washington.
April 18—First day of summer ushered in with "baptism of fire," temperature 100 in shade.
April 20—Jury selected for murder trial of Mrs. Bertha Wade in the thirtieth district court.
April 21—Taking of evidence ends in Mrs. Wade's trial.
April 22—City in "red" $60,395 last year, report up to March 31, shows.
Dust storm from the north, heavy wind.
Liquor valued at $8,000, seized in a garage, total in gallons, 400. Two arrests made.
April 25—School bonds for $560,000 improvements, carried by 144 majority.
April 26—Rains flood northwest Texas; two inches in Wichita Falls.
April 27—Police war on traffic violations shows that 300 car drivers overparked the one-hour limit.

May

1. Mass meeting of Sibley-Taylor residents held to boost street car extensions for that territory.
Congresswoman Guinn Williams speaks to Women's Forum.
Mrs. W. F. Mullins, defense witness in Collier case, on trial for perjury.
2. Bank clearings reach $35,787,203.04, big increase over same period in 1924.
3. Freear Furniture company warehouse burns. Loss $18,000.
Tom Burnett rodeo closes.
4. 150 Wichitans leave on special train for Mineral Wells convention of West Texas chamber of commerce.
Shrine circus opens at ball park.
Junior college students present "Mam'y's Lil Wild Rose."
Herbert Griffin brought from Graham jail to Wichita county jail.
5. One hundred Kansas City business men here on trade trip.
6. Chamber of commerce Mineral Wells special returns.
7. Spring automobile show opens.
Texas Protective association opens state convention here.
Frank Keim elected president of Rotary club.
Junior college and high school music classes in annual recital.
8. Committee from real estate board reports rents too high here.
10. Rev. Leslie Miller delivers baccalaureate sermon to high school graduating class.
Severe cold wave and heavy rains set in.
11. Women's Choral club in recital.
12. First Christian church announces spring educational school.
13. City council retains Montgomery and Ward, engineers, to make survey of city's sewer needs.
14. Organized fight started in city against cases of rabies infection.
15. High school genders graduate. One hundred and nineteen get diplomas. Dr. W. B. Bizzell of A. and M. colege delivers principal address.
16. W. M. McGregor re-elected president of clearing house association.
Mrs. Hugh Reilly files suit against Herbert Griffin for $130,000 damages.
18. County commissioners court asks for bids for new paved road through south side park.
20. Price of crude oil raised again.
21. R. L. Starke, lineman for Electric company, killed by high voltage line south of town.
22. Business men here ask change in city parking laws.
23. Plans made for "Old Home" week here May 31 to June 6.
25. Trial of Mrs. Frank Colley starts at Haskell.
City council revises parking rules.
Griswold Oil corporation files bankruptcy suit, liabilities at $665,088.58.
26. Shrine special, 175 on board, leaves for imperial sessions at Los Angeles.
28. Douglas Mallock, post, back here for return engagement.
29. E. W. Claitor killed by truck on Henrietta road.
Mrs. Frank Collier found guilty at Haskell: 10 years in prison.
30. Memorial day. Parade, addresses, graves decorated.
W. T. Waggoner, Fort Worth, gives orders to fence roads leading to Lake Kemp.

June

2. Root rot doing considerable damage to cotton crops here.
4. Six men arrested in connection with extensive grocery thefts.
6. Maskat Shrinespecial returns from Los Angeles convention.
10. State Christian Endeavor convention opens in Wichita Falls.
11. West Texas chamber of commerce meeting opens in city.
Plans made for special health week in Wichita Falls.
12. W. W. Wilson killed in knife fight. W. J. Glasscock held.
15. City council starts move to prohibit sale of Jamaica ginger here.
Auto dealers hold annual dinner.
C. C. Frazee named as recreational director for city parks.
16. Salvation Army is host to 500 youngsters at Scotland park picnic.
17. Former Senator Joe Bailey employed by toll bridge operators over Red river to oppose construction of proposed free bridge.
20. Big extension of postal service announced for city.
James Tindle, 4, killed by street car at Lamar and Fifteenth.
Miss Ina Merle Robinson wins merchants bathing beauty prize.
23. Plans made to open Indiana avenue from south end on the Henrietta road.
23. Steps taken for formation of new cooperative dairy.
24. Doctors seek cause of typhoid fever epidemic in Wichita Falls.
25. T. B. Noble resigns as manager of irrigation district. G. A. Remington of Boise, Idaho, becomes new manager.
26. Construction of new abattoir planned.
Fairview high school burns with $150,000 loss.
Herbert Griffin released from jail when high courts grants new trial.
Health Commissioner Patton denies typhoid epidemic in city.
28. L. N. Carroll, Fort Worth and Denver brakeman, shot and killed, Farella McJunkins, negress, held for death.

July

1. City council worried over water supply system here.
2. Mayor Shepherd issues health ultimatum.
3. Twelve marriage licenses issued in single day, breaks records.
4. City celebrates Independence day quietly.
6. Uncle Charlie Blair, aged florist, dies at poor farm.
Letting of contract for Holliday-Park-Lake road delayed by a route dispute.
8. Wichita county girls camp starts near Iowa Park.
9. Temperature reaches 108, hottest day of summer.
12. City health department stops sale of milk from dairy where typhoid infection is found.
13. Viola Van Loh killed in traffic accident in front of Labor Temple.
14. Public schools open with record attendances.
High floods sweep away Red river bridges.
15. One hundred and fifty Wichita Falls business men go to Electra fair to advertise Texas-Oklahoma fair.
19. Alvin Ireland, convicted bank robber and escaped prisoner, captured with four other men in Holliday creek bottoms.
21. Ninth street, Broad to Brook, ordered paved.
22. Sheriff Harrison Baird of Archer county and two thieves killed in gun battle near Megargle.
24. Tom Burnett gives $1,000 to tree planting project on Iowa Park road.
25. Texas Conservation association opens meeting here.
26. Conservation association delegates go to Lake Kemp. J. A. Kemp re-elected president of association.
Land owners in Holliday district organize to secure extension of irrigation canals to their holdings.
28. City bond election set for November 10.
29. Herbert Griffin acquitted at Graham on charge of murdering Hugh Reilley.
30. Record News issues 116-page Texas-Oklahoma fair edition.

August

1. Real Estate board goes on record in favor of free irrigation water for all city.
2. R. J. Sisson killed in traffic accident on Seymour road. D. L. Tipton held.
3. E. James, city motorcycle officer, loses foot in accident at Eighth and Holiday.
Rev. S. A. Barnes, Floral Heights Method st, scores liquor law violaters.
5. Jack Hill arrested again on liquor charge.
Mayor R. E. Shepherd assails officers for alleged lack of law enforcement in city.
7. First injunction in Wichita county issued by Judge P. A. Martin against alleged liquor drive.
8. Police Commissioner Frank Quelsser issues statement saying Wichita Falls is "booming."
10. Service car operators protest amount or bond required from them.
First copies of T-O fair bulletings off the press.
14. Police start chain gang for drunks.
15. Two men arrested here in connection with alleged bunco game planned on Portales, N. M., bank.
16. Four thousand attend union church services in Bellevue park.
18. City tax rate for next year set at $1.50.
19. Charles Boerne ends life on court house lawn.
20. Edward Hasselvander, 15, killed in auto accident on Henrietta road.
Pennant fund started for Wichita Falls Spudders.
21. Northwest Texas State Press association in convention here.
W. A. Hood, American Refinery worker, mysteriously killed near railway gyser bridge.
22. Real Estate board attacks city water conditions.
24. One hundred twenty-five Abilene business men here on trade extension trip.
25. J. W. Pirie, Wichita Falls and Southern engineer, killed in wreck near Olney.
26. Capt. E. V. Rickenbacker, world war ace, in city.
29. One killed, several hurt, heavy property damage in cyclone at Electra.
30. Jimmy Davis, 16, fatally injured in traffic accident at Tenth and Indiana.

September

1. Farmers from North Texas here to inspect irrigation valley.
E. B. Kinsner, city motor cop, seriously hurt in traffic accident at Brook and Tenth.
2. Nine jurors selected in trial of Bob Whitfield for murder of his wife.
3. Evidence stays in Whitfield case.
5. Whitfield makes sensational charges against officers who arrested him. Case goes to jury.
6. Whitfield guilty; gets 25 years in prison.
First of 1,000 North Texas public school teachers arrive for joint county institute.
Rabbi Samuel Phillips installed at Temple Israel.
7. Former Gov. James E. Ferguson here to give Labor Day address.
Teachers institute opens.
9. D. L. Tipton settles with Mrs. J. A. Sisson on $4,000 basis for death of her husband in car wreck on Seymour road.
10. Heavy rains bring needed relief to North Texas farmers.
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October

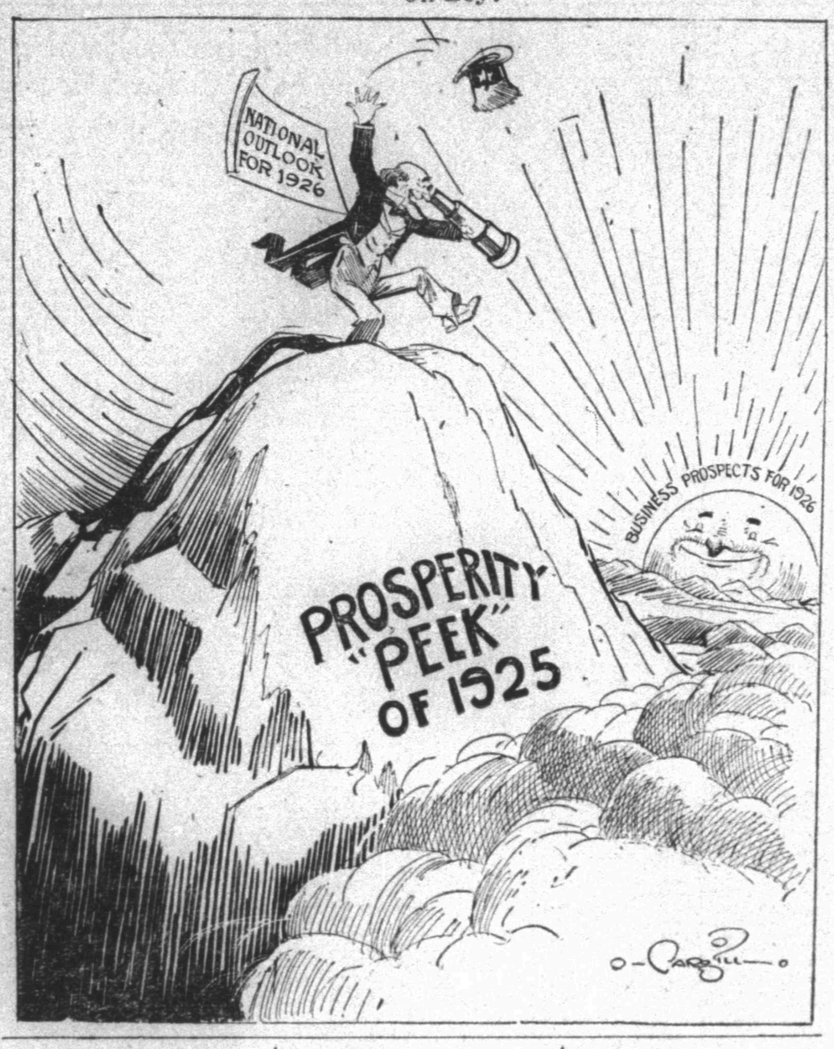
Oct. 1—Red Furl questioned concerning his knowledge of stolen cigarets fround in his possession after fatal battle in which Sheriff Ikard is killed.
Oct. 2—J. H. Patton, health commissioner, files complaint against 25 persons for failure to connect with the city's sanitary sewers.
Oct. 3—Texas-Oklahoma fair opens.
Oct. 4—Style review with gorgeous pageant. Over 30,000 visitors at Texas-Oklahoma fair.
Burglars get $1,100 from two city homes, residences of E. P. Timberlake and Joe Kell.
Miss Catherine Moore, queen of the Texas-Oklahoma fair, honors court and fair officials with a Sunday tea.
Oct. 5—Peacock alley moves to the Texas-Oklahoma fair, thousands witness pageant of fashion.
Oct. 6—Horse show of Texas-Oklahoma fair is attended by 4,000.
Oct. 8—Texas-Oklahoma fair closes. Five hurt in taxi crash at Eighth and Scott Streets.
Oct. 9—J. A. Kemp addresses the chamber of commerce luncheon on irrigation.
Oct. 10—Grand jury indicts ex-druggist D. L. Tipton for death of J. A. Sisson. Negligent homicide is charge.
Two arrested as a confidence game suspects.
Oct. 12—Jury selected for trial of J. L. Marshall, charged with murder of J. E. Swaynes.
Commissioner Frank Quelsser asks city council for more police officers.
Telephone company to spend $150,000 in Wichita Falls to take care of rapidly increasing business.
Judge B. D. Sartin goes to Oklahoma City to confer with Oklahoma highway officials over building free bridge over Red River.
Oct. 13—J. A. Kemp before the Technical club pictures Wichita Falls as a city of 100,000 in short time; says irrigation ditch is wholly inadequate to the city's needs.
Burkburnett Bridge company, owner of toll bridge, sued for $25,000 by Edward N. Rust, father of boy injured when truck went through bridge while hauling load of material.
Oct. 14—Marshall trial under way.
Oct. 15—Bandit holds up E. B. White's drug store, Fifteenth and Lamar Streets. Cash register robbed of $59.
Bert Levy vaudeville circuit signs contract to supply acts for Olympic theatre.
Marshall is found guilty and given 25 years in prison for killing of Swaynes.
Oct. 16—Man arrested for holdup of E. R. White drug store.
Oct. 19—Herbert Griffin sent by Lige Griffith near Dundee.
Oct. 20—Griffin dies in General hospital after living 15 hours following shooting at Dundee.
Oct. 22—Pig stand hijacked by three men at 2100 Grant Street, $85 taken by bandits.
Torchlight army of 300 search for four-year-old Delmar Dormler lost in the woods on river banks.
Oct. 23—Skull and cross bones on cardboard warned Griffith to leave country, his note says with reference to cause of the killing of Griffin.
$45,000 in building permits is record for day.
Wichita county commissioners open bids for free bridge over Red River, total, 24—building permits issued, $143,950 in week.
Oct. 25—W. W. Philley arrested on charge of attempting to poison Judge C. M. McFarland, wife and son.
Teggs blow three safes at Saul's store.
Oct. 26—City hires G. T. Vinson finger print expert, to aid in war on criminals.
Jury selected for trial of Frank Folsom, charged with statutory offense.
Oct. 27—Joseph Huckles III elected chairman of the advisory council of the municipal welfare bureau.
Free passage over Red River by Jan. 1, is predicted, by proposed construction of a temporary frame bridge at a cost of $25,000 project to be financed by patriot Burkburnett and Wichita Falls firms.
Oct. 28—Frank Folsom breaks down in court when 14-year-old daughter testified that he mistreated her.
Cold wave, with temperature of 27 degrees arrives.
Oct. 29—Man confesses hijacking in six local robberies.
Oct. 30—Two men arrested, charged with hijacking, following confession of another.
Folsom guilty, given 25 years in prison.

November

Nov. 1—Frank Folsom asks new trial upon affidavits of two jurors who swear that a woman present at trial signalled to jurors in box.
Nov. 2—Masons confer excellent master's degree on 450 North Texans.
Twenty nominated for directors of the chamber of commerce.
Mercedes Morgan dies. Charge filed against man.
Nov. 4—Chamber of commerce announces plan for a guarantee fund which will help finance factories.
Nov. 7—Bank clearings show increase of $161,544.55 in week.
Building permits for week, $122,000.
Cold wave hits city.
Nov. 9—L. L. Albritton, general manager traction company asks council for permission to operate buses in connection with car lines.
Nov. 10—By a vote of 3 to 1, $575,000 bond election carries.
Nov. 11—Tommy O'Neal meets death under car wheels of a freight, Seventh Street crossing.
Chas. J. Finger, famous story writer for boys and girls appears before large throng of boys and girls at Kemp public library.
Judge JP. H. Barwise observes ninety-sixth birthday anniversary.
Nov. 12—Geo. Mitchell shot by U. S. Narcotic Agent Nance.
Nov. 14—Mrs. Clint Wood dies following stroke of apoplexy.
Elks lodge gives relief at Majestic Theatre for benefit of Optimist club's home for boys.
Nov. 16—Hitch develops in plans for free bridge at Burkburnett. A. R. Mackey is given tentative contract.
J. N. Lewis of Wichita Falls pays $100,000 for 15 Piggly Wiggly stores.
Will Rogers in concert here.
Contract let for new home for day nursery at cost of $38,700.
Nov. 17—R. Blackburn pleads guilty to theft of $14,000 from First National bank and is given two years in federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan.
Nov. 19—Geo. Creel, editor and author, lectures at Junior college under auspices of Teachers' association.
Nov. 21—Novella Mapes, 30-year-old waitress, swallows acid and ends life in local rooming house.
Nov. 23—Community chest drive, with 17 teams, begin work to raise fund of $58,000.
Nov. 24—Community chest drive nets a total of $25,000 for the first day's work.
Nov. 25—Total of $51,350 collected for community chest.
Nov. 26—Thanksgiving day in Wichita Falls quiet. Observed in churches and many business firms closed in observance.
Nov. 28—Delegation of 23 Wichita Falls boosters leave for Oklahoma City to attend the Southern Central division convention of the U. S. chamber of commerce.

December

Dec. 1—L. E. Rose convicted of whiskey violation, sentenced to two years.
Dec. 2—O. B. Salyer killed in auto accident on Grant Street.
Dec. 3—Cold wave strikes city.
Dec. 4—Frank B. Creighton re-elected scout executive.
Dec. 5—Wichita county files injunction suit against Burkburnett toll bridge.
Dec. 6—Rev. A. J. Holt resigns as pastor of Lamar Avenue Baptist church.
Dec. 7—General hospital board plans extensive improvements.
Dec. 9—Wayne Gore, aged 6, killed by auto at Seventh and Indiana.
Frank Collier's attorneys announce he will accept new sentence for murder of Buster Robertson.
Dec. 10—Henry Dutton released from blame in death of Wayne Gore.
Dec. 11—Mabel Ward, traveler and lecturer, speaks here.
Dec. 12—Knife and Fork club organized here.
Dec. 13—Rev. Mile Atkinson resigns as pastor of First Christian church, effective March 1.
Dec. 14—Lee Satterwhite, speaker of house, in Wichita Falls.
$45,000 in toilet unveiled at Junior college in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Snider, donner of school library.
Dec. 15—Chamber of commerce adopts $136,000 budget for 1926.
Dec. 18—Announcement made of new $250,000 hotel at Tenth and Lamar.
Dec. 20—First snow falls here.
Dec. 21—City buys 30 new traffic control signals.
Dec. 22—Technical club holds annual gridiron banquet.
Dec. 23—W. Roberts dies suddenly from apoplectic stroke.
Dec. 25—Christmas celebrated quietly.
Dec. 26—J. R. Riley, aged 3, dies from scalding burns received at his home on Fillmore Street.
Dec. 27—Coldest weather of the year here.
Dec. 28—Fire department to go on double platoon system Jan. 1.
Dec. 30—Building permits for year announced as $5,594,586, breaking all records.
Dec. 31—Bank clearings for 1925 show increase of $51,440,126.72.



SOCIETY

Misses Rose Marion Art and Margaret Norwood were charming hostesses to the younger set at a delightful dance and party at the Country club Wednesday night when more than one hundred boys and girls were entertained. Dainty favors were given throughout the evening and refreshments served. Music was furnished by the Wichita Night Hawks, colored jazz orchestra.

Chaperones for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Leterman of Oklahoma City; Messrs. and Mesdames C. B. Woods, Fred Weeks, P. P. Langford, J. C. Straus, Ben Bell, E. B. Reisenberg, C. C. McDonald, Al Horwitz, Ben Kaufman, R. J. O'Connor of Dallas, R. L. Dillard, I. A. Fine, S. Riesenberg, T. A. Norwood and J. L. Art; Mrs. Bennie Hyatt Donald and Mrs. Stegar.

The guests included Misses Joline Woods, Mary Delaney, Corrine Tucker, Camille Avis, Imogene Willis, Mirell Haddag, Mathilde Donald, Helen Molder, Yvonne Molder, Nathaline Lebenson, Evelyn Trimble, Elizabeth Smith, Elizabeth Langford, Lilly Graham, Mary Collier, Peggy Durkin, Odessa Katz, Lucile Elkins, Mary Virginia Barron, Virginia Barron, Clara Elizabeth Harrell, Martha Ellen Hines, La Vern Harr, Dorothy Parker, Helen Cline, Helen Avis, Baby Pearl Bristow, Wilma Brown, Mary Agnes Riley, Cheville Wiehill, Lenora Walker, Virgie Mae Adams, Zona Marie Ehlert, Helen Brookins, Genevieve Fritz, Pauline Gardner, Eloise Hawkins, Mary Leona Robertson, Nellie Mae Ross, Velta Camp, Ora Cotton, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Annabelle Harrel, Eloise Jameson, Hallie Broday, Betty Love Rugeley, Mildred Hughes of Dallas; Eleanor Adams of Dallas; Pauline Jane Art, Helen Sylvia Lebenson, Dorothy Jane Norwood, Dorothy Elaine Fine, Messrs. Harry Lewis, Charles Wilson, Logan Stanton, Bobby Richardson, Arch Greenwood, George Napier, Jim Martin, Carl Bailey, Jr.; Arvin Norwood, Thurman Conrey, Ted Norwood, Billy Hood, Billy Steger, George Bays, Robert Norwood, Benjamin Marcus, Loran Walker, Otto Juhl, Mark Walker, Arduth Curlee, Richard Delaney, Eugene Costley, Harry Costley, Reagan Tucker, Herbert Wilson, Carlisle Norwood, Ray Clay, Bill Fitzgerald, Harold Simmons, Aaron Wyiger, Daniel Cohen, Kemp Mayer, Walter Cline, Ralph Harvey, Jimmy Bittinger, Darrel Daniels, Paul Robertson, Douglas Thomas, Molton B. Harrison, C. D. Shamburger, Joe Hancock, Joe Bailey, Ed Moran, Clint Brodie, Robert Dillard.

Phi Lathea Sunday School Class Guests At Party

One of the loveliest of the Christmas affairs was the party given by Mrs. J. D. Bright for the girls of the Philathea Sunday school class of the First Methodist church at her beautiful new home which was decorated in true holiday style, with a brilliantly lighted tree forming a part of the decorations.

Games, contests and music were enjoyed by the guests and a delightful refreshment course served by Misses Vera Cain, Thelma Ernst, Dorothy Nolen, Marjorie Bright, Doris Bradley, Dorothy McCloud, Virginia Walters and Mrs. Wallace Bright, Messrs. Buford Busby, Fred Datson, Herman Dunn, Drummond Harris, Paul Karnes, Emmett Bauknight, Bob Stiles, W. B. Hamilton, Dan Bright and Dr. T. H. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Crumpler, Mr. and Mrs. Morris and son, Mr. and Mrs. Bright.

Popular Young People Married Here Thursday

A marriage of interest to their friends in the city took place Thursday at noon at the First Presbyterian church when Miss Beatrice Parrish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Parrish was married to Walter H. Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Caldwell of Fort Worth. The ceremony was performed in the presence of relatives and close friends by the Rev. Nat F. Grafton, pastor of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrish left immediately following the ceremony for Cuba where they will spend their honeymoon. On their return they will be at home in this city.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Goldie Parrish, and Woodward Bass and best man.

Mrs. Caldwell is a graduate of the local high school and of the College of Industrial Arts of Denton. She spent last summer abroad, and was a member of the faculty at Midland before her marriage.

Mr. Caldwell is a member of the law firm of Mathis and Caldwell; a worshipful master of Faith Lodge and a member of the divan of Maskat Temple.

Mrs. Barnhill Hostess To Pokkam Camp Fire Girls

Mrs. Anna Barnhill was hostess to the Pokkam Camp Fire Girls in a Christmas party at her home, 1700 Burnett when a short "follow-the-leader-bike was a feature of the program. Gifts from a Christmas tree were presented to the following girls: Linnie May Baggett, Lucile Hibbs, Majorie Vincent, Marguerite Sheldon, Mildred Crawford, Winifred Hudgins, Charlie Mae Ebner, A. Z. Brumbelow, Ella Mae Hammock, Lois Brackett, Marguerite McBee, Arthearter Evans, Edith McClure, Nora McMillan, Katherine Kiersey, Aline Elter, Lena Smith, Myrle Kennedy, Edna Skaggs, Marguerite McCord, Therressa Kuaffman, and Mrs. Anna Barnhill, the guardian.

Miss Ruth Doty Becomes Bride of A. H. Harris

A wedding of interest to many Wichitans took place at the Fioral Heights Methodist church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock when Miss Ruth Doty and A. H. Harris were married by the pastor, Rev. S. A. Bornes.

The bride is a teacher of English at the Junior college, and is popular in school and social circles of the city. Mr. Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Harris, and a young business man of the city. They will be at home on Garfield street.

Sunday School Class Entertained By Teacher

Miss Marjorie Vincent entertained her Sunday school class with a party at her home, 1308 Austin, when the following guests were delightfully entertained:

Mildred Robertson, Tommie Vaughn Helen Garner, Olive Humphrey, Helen DeMontel, Charlotte Sutton, Orey Hankerson, Nadine Loofbourrough, Maud Naylor, Thelma Stehlik, Juanita Burgess, Marjorie Vincent, Mrs. Swanson and Mrs. Nickell.

Luncheon Honors Guest Here From Kansas City

Miss Betty Adams of Kansas City, guest of Mrs. J. C. V. T. Christensen, was the guest of honor at a luncheon given at the Wichita club by Miss Mary Elizabeth Donnell.

Those present at the lovely hospitality were: Misses Betty Adams, Elizabeth Langford, Margaret Sheers, Mary Louise Clark, Emily Mitchum, Mary Hamilton, Katherine Weeks, Elinor Adams of Dallas, Miss Week's guest, and Mary Elizabeth and Matilde Donnell.

Kappa Alpha Fraternity Entertains With Dance

Raymond Smith, Leslie Fortune, Don Haynes, Nick Williams, W. E. Nettle, Don Dale, E. B. Felder, P. P. Langford, Jr., Frank Weimer, Ed. Trice, T. B. Cochran, Hyatt Donald, Bill King, Walter Nelson, Jr., and Charles P. McGaha were hosts last night to members of the Kappa Alpha fraternity who are at home from various schools for the holidays when they entertained at a dance at the Kemp hotel. This affair is scheduled to become an annual celebration with the dance Wednesday night as the initial entertainment.

The guest list included:

Misses Neva Black, Faye Cameron, Helen Snider, Fay Fisher, Evelyn Francis Lyle, Gladys Danner, Ivy Larkin, Flora Bruce Greenwood, Helen Bullitt, Geraldine Monroe, Katherine Marcus, Jeanette Young of Fort Worth; Marguerite McDonald, Wilton Wade, Lucille Benson, Donna Mickam, Vera Hale, Bonnie Jennings, Elizabeth Carrigan, Annabelle Couper, Frances Lomax, Lillian Bandee, Fay Reese of Rockwall, Reva Brown, Gladys Patrish, Katherine King, Erma Nelson, Gertrude Maiette, Elizabeth Brown, Margaret Duncan, Alma Willis, Dorothy Dale, Bernice Martin, Francis Boyd, Mary Brown, Nancy Jane Harlin, Catarya Pennington; Messrs. J. B. Hamilton, Joan Humphrey, G. L. Coffey, O. M. Ross, Brown McCallum, K. H. Friedly, Miller, Ted Brown, Tom Miller, Bob Mathis, T. J. Waggoner, Leslie Ross, Herman Staton, Edgar Smith, John Tancred, Jimmie Buchanan, Dick Jamming, Joe Carrigan, M. E. Norton, H. D. Booner, Herbert Mayfield, Emore Mount, John Willis, O. Sonwarts, Don Anderson, R. B. Guller, D. H. Faught, Temple Snell, John Stone, T. S. Thompson, James Capps, John Garnard, J. C. Jennings, Henry Moss, Joe Gashara, John Kay, Malcolm Putty, Goss Waggoner, John Kay Lunz, W. B. Otteberry, W. J. Alnson, Jr., Yancy Cummings, O. E. Whatley, Hubert Scruger, George Camp, Ralph Davis, W. B. Head, Jr. Virgie Fisher, Tom Beaty, Cufford Somers, Carroll Snoddy, M. J. Jackson, Buck Steed, Willard Hughes, Dub Bootze, Lindel Stone, Mubarn Nutt, Harold Carter, Dardell Kahn, True Cauble, D. W. Wiley, T. P. Duncan, Bert Clark, K. W. Colbert, Carroway Ashley, Edgar Hood, John Sides, Morell McGregor, Harold Naylor, Jenks Smith, Henry Edwards, Otto Lasseby, R. L. Taylor, Edward Smith, William Pardue, Jack Story, Clifford Bassett, C. B. Toney, Jr., Reagan Dublin, Vane Henry, Frank Goldwaite, O. G. Morgan, E. F. Hall, Ben Langford, C. H. Maxwell, Eddie Kadane, Jack Kadane, C. B. Curtner, Harold Hamlin, Jas Moran, Ralph Walker, Wilie Saunders, Don Cameron, Don Bundy, J. B. Fleteher, Lester Luecke, Ripley Maples, Hilard Carey, Cecil Moran, Almer Felty, T. O. Perry and Messrs and Mesdames E. S. Weldon, Almond Gates, Lee Haney, Jack Wages, Cliff Camp, Les Cole, Ras Barker, Nathan Reynolds, J. B. S. Bonner and M. B. Lyle.

IN THREE SERIES

In three world series Ty Cobb made a total of 17 hits in 65 times at bat and scored seven runs.

Expression Pupils Will Be Presented In Recital

Expression pupils of Mrs. Nydia Joiner Young will be presented Friday evening in a recital at the First Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock.

Those taking part are Beverly Crail, Betty Jane Terrell, Mrs. E. J. Stump, Miss Florence McCulloch, Gerandine Parker, Juanita Lender, Bruce Reeves, Billy and Winnie Smith, Mary Marshall Huff, Virginia Ely, Mrs. Mildred Packer, Ruby Crowson, Joyce Craft, Dorothy McCloud, Nellie Holcomb, Natalie Smith, Mrs. George Patterson, Oira Lee Jenkins, Lucille Ballard, Mrs. Eugenia Nicholson, Mrs. Fay M. Yauger, Eugenia Elliott, Opal Ballew, Mrs. F. H. Noe.

Austin Visitor Is Guest At Bridge Party

Mrs. P. P. Langford and Mrs. Bennie Hyatt Donald entertained for Mrs. Rebecca Young Schofield of Austin at Mrs. Langford's home Wednesday evening when several tables were arranged for bridge.

Those present included Messrs. and Mesdames Newton Maer, W. S. Langford, C. C. Cabiness, A. H. Britain, Fred Weeks, Harry Weeks, Walter Daugherty, Monte Staniforth, Jouette Bonner, Frank Timberlake, J. L. Jackson Jr., Walter Priddy, Orville Bullington, Al Booth of Chicago, Langford and Donald; Mesdames Anna Witherspoon, Hunter, Eddie Lee Fitzhugh, Lucile Brooks Huff, Mark Moore, Herbert Hughes of Dallas, and Schofield; Misses Lillian Fain, Iva Willis, Kinsey, Johnnie Morgan; Messrs. Lamar Fain, Colvert, Man, Ellis, Ray, and Dr. H. P. Ledford. Dr. N. H. Coleman and Dr. J. D. Hall.

Pen Women's Club To Hold Open Meeting

Members of the Pen Women's club will hold an open meeting at the parish house of the Episcopal church Monday evening at 8 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. Visitors are invited and those who are interested are asked to bring original manuscripts.

Knight-Hotzel Marriage Takes Place Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hotzel announce the marriage of their daughter, Alma, to Mr. C. L. Knight Thursday morning at 12 o'clock at the parsonage of the First Church of Christ, with the minister, Rev. L. S. White, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Knight will make their home here. He is employed with a local bakery.

Mrs. Ayers Entertains Alahi Camp Fire Group

Mrs. A. W. Ayers was hostess to the Alahi group of Camp Fire girls at the Catholic church hall in a party with the following guests:

Misses Glenore Fisk, Bess and Blythe Webber, Margaret Osenbeck, Nell and Maxine Duffey, Charlotte Kennedy, Eugenia Edgar, Peggy Hyland, Jean Fisk, Mrs. Hyland and Mrs. Ayers.

D. A. R. Luncheon Will Be Held At Club Saturday

The MaMjor Franiis Grice chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will hold the regular monthly luncheon, business meeting and program at the Country club Saturday at noon. Hostesses for the day are Mesdames W.

The Record News Review of Markets and Finance

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NEW YORK.—Stocks, strong; American Can and Delaware & Hudson lead upturn.
Bonds, firm; speculative rail and oil issues higher.
Foreign exchanges, steady; French francs hold firm.
Cotton, higher; firm Liverpool cables.
Sugar, firm; higher spot market.
Cofofee, lower; foreign selling.

CHICAGO.—Wheat, lower; December liquidation.
Corn, irregular; favorable weather.
Cattle, higher; especially higher grades.
Hogs, lower.

Cotton

NEW ORLEANS FUTURES.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed steady at net advance of 10 to 18 points.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	19.76	19.56	19.74-75	19.57
March	19.26	19.08	19.22-24	19.04
May	18.90	18.74	18.83-84	18.70
July	18.58	18.40	18.53-55	18.40
Oct.	17.82	17.68	17.74-78	17.64

Opening: January 19.64; March 19.12; May 18.76; July 18.45; October 17.71.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The cotton market was largely a holiday affair today the trading being limited almost entirely to evening up transactions in advance of the triple holiday, all the big exchanges remaining closed from this afternoon to Monday morning for the New Year holiday. While there was some liquidating by recent buyers who did not dare to carry their trades over the holiday period most of the evening up was done by shorts who covered freely. As a result the trend of prices was generally upward and at the highest values showed gains over the previous close of 15 to 22 points. The close was practically at the top on the nearer months but later positions were somewhat below the high points. Final results showed net gains for the day of 10 to 18 points.

At the start, first trades showed gains of five to nine points despite the fact that Liverpool was scarcely up to expectations. Prices eased off slightly right after the call, March dropping to 19.08 and May to 18.71, one to four points above yesterday's close. These were the low points of the day. Prices soon rallied, however, on shorts covering which carried March up to 19.26 and May to 18.90 or 20 to 22 points above the previous close.

The market thereafter fluctuated moderately within the early range, easing off when recent buyers sold to liquidate and advancing again when shorts covered. In the final trading prices were again back to practically the highs of the morning and the close was at the highs on near months.

Secretary Hester will not issue his weekly statistics until Monday morning as the exchange will be closed tomorrow and Saturday. Exports for the day totaled 38,016 bales.

NEW YORK FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed steady at advance of 9 to 35 points net.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Jan.	19.96	19.70	19.90-96	19.65
March	19.89	19.58	19.76-77	19.52
May	19.35	19.16	19.27-28	19.10
July	18.97	18.75	18.86-87	18.75
Oct.	18.25	18.12	18.22-27	18.13

Opening: January 19.79; March 19.60; May 19.17; July 18.83; October 18.22.

NEW YORK COTTON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The cotton market recovered today the greater part of yesterday's reactions, March contracts selling up to 19.82 or 30 points above Wednesday's closing quotation. March closed at 19.78, the general market closing steady at net advances of 9 to 25 points.

The market opened steady at an advance of five to eight points and soon showed net advances of 20 to 30 points on covering combined with buying for Liverpool and trade accumulated traders who had sold here yesterday afternoon on reports from Manchester that continued curtailment was considered necessary in the American cotton yarn section. Private cable advices also stated no increased curtailment in the Lancashire mills was expected, which probably contributed to rather a more optimistic view of the British trade situation. Demand tapered off at mid-day, but moderate realizing sales were absorbed on comparatively small reactions. Prices firmed up again in late trading on reports of an improved spot demand and talk of a lower basis for low grades in the south.

Near months reached the highest prices of the day in late trading, January selling at 19.96 and May at 19.35. The close was six or seven points off from the best under realizing.

General business was comparatively quiet during the day, fresh ventures either being held in check by the proximity of the three-day adjournment and the bulk of the demand was attributed to covering by trade or speculative shorts.

Exports today 37,056, making 4,586,681 so far this season. Port receipts 53,783. U. S. port stocks 1,737,127 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A wild outburst of bullish enthusiasm in the stock market which carried over two score issues up to nearly seven points above yesterday's final quotations, brought to a dramatic close the biggest and most spectacular year in Wall Street's history. Total sales again crossed the two million mark, with the average of 20 leading railroad issues elevated to a new record high level and the average of 20 leading industrial shares advanced to within half a point of the record top touched a few days ago.

Speculators for the advance, taking advantage of the wide spread productions of business prosperity in 1926, bid up their purchases in spectacular fashion being aided by a large volume of investment buying for the high grade rails and industrials. Relatively stiff money rates and "cash sales" for the purpose of establishing income tax losses, which were much smaller than usual, were disregarded by the broad upward sweep of prices.

Oils, which have attracted a large speculative following because of the many merger reports in circulation, gave one of the most impressive demonstrations of group strength. General Petroleum, which has been mentioned as likely to combine with the Mariand or Union Oil company of Florida, was bid up over two points to 80½, the highest quotation of the year. Barnsdall (A) and (B), and Simms, which are expected to join with Waite Phillips in another combination also broke through their previous maximum prices of the year as did Skelly Oil.

Buoyancy again developed in some of the high priced industrial shares. American Can soared nearly seven points to a record top at 297¾ and then lost all but 4¾ points of its gain on realizing.

Chrysler (old stock), Sears Roebuck, Chicago Pneumatic Tool, South Porto Rican sugar, United Drug and Ward Baking closed three to 6½ points higher. American Smelting moved up nearly three points to 144½, the highest since 1907.

Rails moved upward under the leadership of Delaware and Hudson which jumped over six points to 160½, the highest since 1913. Other outstanding strong spots in that group included "Katy" preferred, "Nickel Plate," Norfolk and Western preferred, and St. Louis-Southwestern.

Call money held steady at 6 per cent, the prevailing rate of the last week. Time money and commercial paper rates were unchanged.

Foreign exchanges moved within rather narrow and irregular limits with trading of the usual pre-holiday character. Demand sterling eased slightly to $4.84⅝ and French francs were slightly firmer around 3.76 cents. Other changes were largely nominal.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water cools, heals and strengthens sore, weak, tired eyes. All druggists 25c. —Adv.

Financial

EXCHANGE RATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Foreign exchanges, irregular; quotations in cents: Great Britain demand 4.84¾; cables 4.85 3-16; 60-day bills on banks 4.80⅝. France demand 3.74; cables 3.74½. Italy demand 4.03⅜; cables 4.04. Demand: Belgium 4.53; Germany 23.80; Holland 40.18; Norway 20.20; Sweden 26.81; Denmark 24.72; Switzerland 19.34; Spain 14.12; Greece 1.30; Poland 11.25; Czecho-Slovakia 2.96; Jugo-Slavia 1.77¼; Austria 14; Rumania 4.63¼; Argentina 41.37; Brazil 14.75; Tokyo 43⅝; Shanghai 77½; Montreal 99 29-32.

U. S. BONDS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—United States bonds: Liberty 3½'s, 99.19; first 4¼'s, 101.23; second 4¼'s, 100.21; third 4¼'s, 100.26; fourth 4¼'s, 101.30; treasury 4's, 102.29; treasury 4¼'s, 106.14.

MONEY RATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Call money, firm; high, low, ruling rate and last loan 6; closing bid 6; offered at 6½; call loans against acceptances 4½. Time loans, firm; 60-90 days 4½@5; 4-6 months 4½@5; prime mercantile paper 4¼@4½.

Grain

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Wheat: No 1 hard, $1.85@1.87½; No. 2 hard, $1.85⅝@1.85½.

Corn: No. 4 mixed, 75@76c; No. 3 yellow 76¼@79¼c.

Oats: No. 3 white, 43@44½c; No. 3 white, 43@44c.

KANSAS CITY CASH GRAIN.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Wheat: No. 2 hard $1.79@1.88; No. 2 red, $1.89@1.91; December 1.76⅝@1.76⅞; May $1.71⅝@1.71⅝; July $1.44¾.

Corn: No. 3 white, 75½@78c; No. 2 yellow, 79@80c; No. 2 mixed 78@79c. December 75⅝c; May 82⅝@82⅞c; July 84⅜c.

Oats: No. 2 white, 43@43½c; No. 3 white, 42½@43c.

FORT WORTH CASH GRAIN.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—The following shows range of values on the Fort Worth cash grain market, basis delivered group three or Texas common points, based on bids, offers and sales of Fort Worth dealers, according to the Fort Worth grain and cotton exchange:

Wheat: No. 1 dark hard, $1.96@1.98 No. 1 ordinary hard, $1.95@1.97; No. 1 red, 32.02@2.06; No. 1, 75 per cent red, $2.01@2.03.

Corn: No. 2 white, 94½@96c; No. 3 white, 92½@93c; No. 2 mixed 93½@96c; No. 3 mixed, 92½@94½c.

Oats: No. 2 red, 62@64c; No. 3 red, 61@62c; No. 3 white, 54@56c.

Snapped corn, $1.00@1.10 No. 3 barley 83@85c. No. 3 milo, $1.48@1.52; No. 3 kaffir, $1.41@1.45; maize heads $25@27; kaffir heads $23@24.50.

CHICAGO GRAIN REVIEW.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—With a triple holiday ahead and with no sustained demand in evidence, wheat values declined today, especially during the last part of the board of trade session. Settlement of December contracts was effected without flurry, although the December wheat price showed at one stage a set back of six cents from the day's top figures.

Wheat closed unsettled, ⅝c to 3c net lower, new style, December $1.85⅛ to $1.86 and Mai $1.79 to $1.79¼. Corn finished at 1¼c loss to ⅝c gain, oats ⅝ to ⅝c off and provisions varying from 12c decline to 10c advance. Closing out of December holdings of wheat began today.

Corn and oats were influenced by wheat weakness and also by good weather for corn shelling and for the movement of the corn crop.

Lard declined with hogs and corn, but investment buying gaves lift to meats.

CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec. new	1.90	1.90	1.84	1.85
Dec. old	1.87⅛	1.87⅛	1.80	1.82
May new	1.79	1.82	1.78	1.79
May old	1.77	1.79⅛	1.76	1.77
July	1.52	1.54	1.51⅛	1.52⅝
CORN—				
Dec.	.78¼	.80¼	.78¼	.79⅝
May	.87½	.88⅛	.85⅞	.86⅜
July	.88⅝	.89⅛	.87⅛	.88
OATS—				
Dec.	.41⅞	.42¾	.41¼	.41¼
May	.45⅝	.46¼	.45⅛	.45⅝
July	.46	.46⅝	.45⅝	.46
RYE—				
Dec.	1.06¼	1.06¼	1.03	1.03
May	1.12	1.13¼	1.10¾	1.10¾
July	1.09¼	1.10¾	1.07⅛	1.08¼
LARD—				
Dec.	14.95	14.95	14.77	14.80
Jan.	14.57	14.60	14.50	14.57
May	14.50	14.57	14.45	14.57
RIBS—				
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	15.00
May	15.42	15.47	15.37	15.47
BELLIES—				
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	13.87
Jan.	.....	.....	.....	13.87
May	16.30	16.35	16.20	16.35

SPOT NEWS.

HOUSTON, Dec. 31.—The spot market closed steady, 20 up; sales 5,484 bales. Low ordinary 11.20; ordinary 12.70; good ordinary 14.20; strict good ordinary 15.70; low middling 17.20; strict low middling 18.70; middling 20.20; strict middling 20.95; good middling 21.20; strict good middling 21.65; middling fair 21.70;

GALVESTON, Dec. 31.—The spot market closed steady, 25 up; sales 1,308 bales. Low ordinary 10.65; ordinary 12.25; good ordinary 14.10; low middling 17.60; middling 20.35; good middling 21.60; middling fair 22.10.

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—The spot market closed steady, 20 up; sales 5,073 bales. Middling fair 20.75; strict good middling 20.50; good middling 20.25; strict middling 20.05; middling 19.25; strict low middling 18.05; low middling 16.50; strict good ordinary 14.75; good ordinary 13.25.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Spot cotton closed steady, 15 points up; sales 1,672 bales. Low middling 17.00; middling 20.00; good middling 21.00; receipts 7,842; stock 500,199 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cotton spot moderate business; prices steady. American strictly good middling 11.22; good middling 10.97; strictly middling 10.52; middling 10.27; strictly low middling 9.87; low middling 9.37; strictly good ordinary 8.97; good ordinary 8.37. Sales 5,000 bales, including 2,900 American; receipts 22,000 bales, including 11,200 American. Futures closed steady: January 10.05; March 10.06; May 10.05; July 9.98; October 9.73; December (19.26) 9.05. Official noon close December 10.02.

CHICAGO COTTON.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed steady: January 19.62@69; March 19.33; May 19.02; July 18.58 asked; October 17.85 asked.

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Livestock

KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—Cattle, 2,000; calves 400; steady; fed steers $8.25@8.85; butcher cows $4.75@6.50; fed heifers $7.25@8.00; canners and cutters $3.50@4.50; bologna bulls upward to $5.50; veals $11.00@11.50.

Hogs, 4,500; lower; bulk of sales $11.15@11.60; packing sows to $9.75@10.25; stock pigs $11.50@12.15.

Sheep, 1,500; lower; lambs $14.75@15.90.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cattle, 6,000; fed steers strong to 25c higher; mostly steady to 10c; light and medium weights; shippers showing maximum advance; bulk of quality and condition to sell upwards $8.75@10.00; extreme top on 1,143 pound steers $11.25; yearlings upward to $10.65; she stock slow, steady; most fat cows and heifers $5.25@8.50; canners and cutters $3.75@4.50; bologna bulls and vealers unevenly higher; strong weight bolognas upward to $5.50.

Hog receipts 52,000; market opened slow, 15c lower; lighter weights showing maximum decline; closed fairly active, strong at early losses; bulk good and choice 200 to 300 pound butchers $11.05@11.35; majority desirable 150 to 180 pound average $11.45@11.60; practical top $11.75; bulk 140 to 150 pound selections $11.65@11.85; packing sows largely $9.10@9.40; bulk better killing pigs $12.00@12.25; shippers took 14,000; estimated holdover 7,000.

Sheep 18,000; fat lambs and yearling wethers 25 to 50c lower; heavies and in-between kinds showing most downturn; choice handy weight lambs in fairly broad shipping demand; top for fat lambs $16.25 to shippers; bulk better grade offerings $15.50@15.90; fat sheep and feeding lambs weak to 25c lower; top fat ewes $9.00; feeding lambs upward to $16.35.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK.

FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.—The cattle trade for the last day of the year was about steady, with an inclination toward a lower level on beef and butcher cows, canners and cutters remaining steady. Beef steers were about steady, but slow moving. Calves experienced an advance of a quarter on the best heavy calves, others remaining as at the close of Wednesday.

Hogs were around a dime lower. Sheep nominal.

Trade was slow to start, and the movement delayed owing to the reluctance of salesmen to part with their wares at early bids. No beef cattle went over on the early rounds, but indications were that the market would prove about steady when deals were made.

Best of the beef cows cleared at $6.50 on a few individuals, the bulk of these settling at $7 to $7.25. Butcher cows took a top of $4.50 early, with the bulk moving around $3.75. Canners and cutters took the spread indicated late Wednesday $2.25 to $2.50 for the former and $2.60 to $2.85 for the latter. A few yearlings made $8.50 top, but the bulk was on the inferior order and closed around $4.50 to $6.75.

Bulls showed strength, three cars moving at $4.25.

The calf trade opened smartly at an advance of 25c on the best heavy weights. Others were unchanged. A two-string consignment from West Texas, bearing the Scarbrough brand made the top of the day—$8.60—a good showing for the closing day of the year.

Stockers were moving in small lots without any ripple on the market.

Hog prices moved downward 10 to 15c, a small lot getting $12 for a top. Other sales were late in the making.

Sheep were nominal in volume and price —$10 for a bunch of feeder lambs.

Cattle 3,800 including 600 calves: market steady: beeves $5.50@8.75; stockers $4.50@7.50; fat cows $5.50@6.00; yearlings $5.00@12.00; heifers $4.50@11.00; canners $2.25@2.50; cutters $2.60@2.85, calves $5.00@8.50; bulls $3.75@4.50.

Hogs 1,000 including 600 direct; market steady to 10c lower; best medium weight $11.90@12.00 good mixed $11.80@11.90; good light $11.70@11.80; fair mixed $11.60@11.70; common $7.00@9.00; packing sows $11.00@11.25; pigs $10.00@10.50.

Sheep nominal; market nominal: lambs $12.00@15.50; feeder lambs $11.00@15.00; yearlings $10.00@12.00; wethers $7.50@9.00; ewes $6.50@8.00; culls $4.00@4.00; stockers $7.00@7.50; goats $1.00@3.50.

Market Gossip

Booth and Burmeister, brokers, Waggoner Bldg., today received the following market comment from J. S. Bache and company, of Chicago and New York:

GRAINS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat market unsettled but averaged lower with general evening up under way toward the last. The buying early was largely in the way of reinstating recently sold out lines but as soon as the buying eased the market weakened. Selling here against purchases at Winnipeg and Minneapolis had some effect on the local market which has become about the highest in the world. If the premium over Winnipeg widens much further the trade will probably be confronted with the prospect of Canadian low grades being imported duty paid. A further reaction would seem in order as the technical position is weak.

Corn and Oats: The immense discount of cash grain under May, better than a carrying charge on the number four grades would seem to prevent any upturn to consequence in futures and places the bull at a great disadvantage. Sentiment is somewhat more favorable to the buying side but with indications of a material increase in the movement next week and increased hedging pressure feel that a lower level will be witnessed, regardless of the efforts of politicians to bring about an advance. Oats and rye are still dominated by the action of other grains.

COTTON.

Cotton at around 20 cents per pound in New York with a crop around 15½ to 16 million bales does not look cheap.

We do not believe there is such a thing as "unspinnable" cotton, but realize there is an abundant supply of low grade cotton, some of which will not be tendrable on futures contract.

The farmer has sold most of his cotton at a much higher average than prices prevailing today, and the future will depend on whether or not he forces the remnant on an unwilling buyer.

We believe the market will sell lower before any substantial advance from present prices can be sustained.

Produce

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Poultry alive, firm; receipts two cars; fowls 23@30c; springs 31c; turkeys 30c; roosters 17c; ducks 25@30c; geese 20@22c.

Butter, unchanged; receipts 6,126 tubs.

Eggs, lower; receipts 7,970 cases; firsts 38c; ordinary firsts 33@35c.

TEXAS POULTRY.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—Poultry was much firmer with very light and demand active. Hens at San Antonio with some stuff contracted at 16c pound showed a wide range, late arrivals being occasionally as high as 22c pound. Quotations follow:

San Antonio: Hens 10@22c; fryers 28@31c, mostly 30c; roosters mostly 10c; turkeys 32@35c; liveweight basis.

Eggs, per 30 dozen mostly $12, few higher.

Fort Worth: Hens 18@20c for large; 13@15c for small; springs, large 20@22c; small 50c; old roosters 9c; turkeys No. 1, 30@33c liveweight.

Eggs, $11@12 per case of 30 dozen to producers.

TURKEYS ARE HIGHER.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Turkeys sold on the San Antonio wholesale market today brought the farmer the highest price of the year, hens and gobblers being snapped up quickly by dealers at 36 cents a pound.

This is four cents a pound higher than the best previous turkey price of the year, according to A. A. Snyder of the Snyder Produce company. Thanksgiving turkeys brought the farmer 32 cents and Christmas turkeys 30 cents. The increased price was due to smaller shipments and a good New Year's demand, Mr. Snyder said. All other classes of poultry met with good demand at slightly higher prices to the farmer, T. A. McCrary, another poultry dealer said.

N. Y. Stocks

	Sales	High	Low	Close
Am Tel and Tel	14	142⅝	141⅝	142⅝
Am Woolen	11	42⅜	40⅞	41⅞
California Pet	348	34¼	33½	34
Dodge Bros pfd	7xd	87¼	87¼	87¼
Freeport-T Co	123	21	19⅝	20¼
Gen Electric	17	328¼	325½	326
Gen Motors	143	117¼	116½	117½
Gen Petroleum	510	59¼	57⅝	57⅞
Ind Oil and Gas	79	33¼	32½	32⅝
Marland Oil	153	59⅜	59	58¼
Mid-Cont Pet	104	37⅜	36½	37
M K and T	32	41¾	41	41
North Am Co	178	64⅞	62⅝	64½
Pacific Oil	236	76¾	75	75⅝
Pan-Am Pet B	84	77¾	77¼	77⅜
Phillips Pet	293	46⅞	46⅛	46⅛
Pure Oil	110	31¼	30½	30½
Shell Union Oil	220	28⅝	27⅝	28⅛
Simms Pet	595	28½	26¾	28
Sinclair Con Oil	484	23⅝	22½	23½
Stand Oil of Cal	78	62¼	61¼	61⅞
Stand O of N J	378	46⅝	45½	46
Texas Company	97	54⅝	54	54⅝
T and P C and O	184	17¾	16½	17⅜
Transcont Oil	505	4⅜	4	4⅛
U S Steel	379	136⅝	134½	135⅞
Willys Over	674	31⅝	29	31¼

VERNON WOMAN INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH.

VERNON, Dec. —Mrs. Ernest Chadwick, accompanied by her three children were driving in a car when it collided with a machine driven by W. E. Claybrook. Mrs. Chadwick was badly bruised. The wife of Claybrook, in the other car, also was injured. None of the injuries are considered serious.

Laws Too Easy For Criminal, He Says

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Radical modification of crime laws to give the state an even break with the criminal was recommended to the association of American law schools here.

"Under present laws," Professor C. K. Burdick of Cornell university says, "the criminal has more than an even chance to escape punishment after he has been caught.

"The state should have the same right to appeal a case as the defendant and the provision against the accused testifying against himself should be stricken from the books. The grand jury should be abolished as obsolete."

2 MARLIN MEN CHARGED IN CRIMINAL ASSAULT

MARLIN, Dec. 31.—Floyd Henley and Earl Sudbury were indicted for criminal assault by the Falls county grand jury in final session this week. They were arrested in connection with an alleged attack on a young woman near Marlin a few weeks ago and waiving preliminary trial, were bound over to the grand jury.

Childress Boy Not Fatally Injured

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—Herbert Hill, captain of the football team, is expected to recover from injuries in the neck, received when a car turned over. The neck bones were fractured. The accident occurred when Hill was returning from a football game at Memphis.

FORT WORTH MINISTER IN REVIVAL AT FREDERICK.

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—Rev. L. L. Cooper of Fort Worth, is holding a two weeks' revival here at the First Baptist church. The religious campaign is known as "enlistment campaign."

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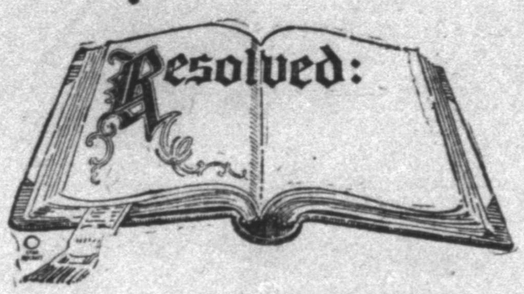
Electra Citizen Is Seriously Ill

ELECTRA Dec. 31.—"Grand-mother', Proctor, mother of M. O. Proctor of West Glisson avenue is very ill, and according to attending physician there is very little hope for her recovery. Mrs. Proctor is well past eighty years of age, and has made her home in Electra for almost a quarter of a century.'

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SAYS LAYMAN IS TIRED OF FIGHT IN THE CHURCH

Fundamentalist - Liberalist Squabble Bores Congregation, Students Told

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—From the attitude of the "mon in the street" the church is an agency for propoganda rather than a fellowship of exploration, Dr. Hubert C. Herring told a thousand students conferring in Evanston on the state of the church. Dr. Herring is social secretary of the Congregational church, Boston.

The laymen is "sick and tred" of the fights between fundamentalists and liberalists in the pulpits he claimed. Dr. Herring made three pronouncements against the church from a layman's view point:

1. The church has lost its spirit of daring and adventure.
2. It has lost itself institutionalism.
3. It is an agency for propaganda rather than fellowship of exploration.

Stanley Dailey, a student in Ohio university attacked the church for its class lines and its failure to better conditions of the laboring classes. He spoke from the viewpoint of the labor class.

Investors in Rum Ring Hear Sad Tale

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)— The seven hundred investors who took a fling in liquor running many of them women, got little comfort out of a statement which Sir Brodrick Hartwell, England's titled rum runner, made at a meeting of his creditors.

Sir Brodrick appeared in the bankruptcy court. He declared his lias as 250,000 pounds ($1,200,000) and said that his only assets were amounts due from dealers who get the liquor in the United States and who apparently never would pay him.

The creditors gloomily passed a resolution for bankruptcy, and adjourned for the appointment of a trustee.

CHURCH BUYS POISONED

Gas Used Effectively in Combatting Pests in Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Poison gas was used effectively last year against cinch bugs in Kansas, Prof. E. G. Kelly, extension entomologist of Kansas, reveals in a paper which he has prepared to deliver at a session of the meeting here this week of the Economic Entomological association of America. Barriers, he says, were made between fields with creosote that guided the insects into post holes where they fell victims to hydrocyanic acid gas, generated by about a tablespoonful of calcium synaide.

MILLION POUNDS IS HIS GIFT TO BRIDE.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The sum of 1,000,000 pounds sterling is said to have been settled upon Sybil, daughter of Sir Adolf Tuck, by the noted banker, Sir Edward Stern, who married her in a London synagogue yesterday. The bridegroom also gave the bride a magnificent rope of pearls.

Sir Edward is 71 years of age and is as famous in sporting circles as in those of finance. The bride, who is his second wife, is 38.

DR. SMALL PAGE CLAIMS TUBERCULOSIS SERUM.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Dr. Small Page, an expert on tropical diseases, announces that he has discovered an anti-tuberculosis serum extracted from the spleen, says a dispatch to the Daily Express from Sydney, New South Wales.

Many professors are credited with saying that the serum of Dr. Henry Spahlinger of Geneva "fades into obscurity beside that of Dr. Small Page."

PERSHING'S RETURN TO U. S. IS AUTHORIZED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Secretary Kellogg announced today that President Coolidge had authorized General Pershing to return to the United States for medical and dental treatment.

Commands Polar Aero Expedition



March 21 has been set by George H. Wilkins, commander a sthe hopping off date for private U. S. expedition which will attempt to conquer the North Pole by air. The start will be made from Point Barrow, Alaska, in two planes. Photo shows Capt. Wilkins, Australian, in Arctic regalia.

Cancer Hereditary Only, Experts Say

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Three outstading conclusions were announced by leading exponents of medicine and genetics today during a symposium on cancer conducted at Yale university by the American society of zoologists. These conclusions were:

That cancer is not an infectious disease.

That cancer cannot be developed except by persons in whom there is a hereditary cancerous strain.

That even persons tainted at birth with a cancerous strain cannot develop the disease spontaneously, but only through the agency of environmental factors, chief among which is frictional irritation.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP IS REPORTED MUCH OVERDUE.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The American steamship Cotopaxi has been posted at Lloyds today as "very much overdue."

The Cotopaxi, bound from Charleston, Nov. 29, for Havana, is supposed to have been lost with her crew of 38 men. Owners of the vessel, the Clinchfield Navigation company of New York, have had no advices from the vessel's crew since she left Charleston.

Often a headache is the direct result of being over fed and under worked.

33 MILLIONS TO GO FOR PHONES

Southwestern Bell Co. to Improve Systems in Texas And 4 Other States

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30—(AP)—The Southwestern Bell Telephone company will spend approximately $33,000,000 for facilities in Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas in 126, E. D. Nims, president, announced here today. The company spent $25,000,000 for additions and betterments in this territory in 1925.

The year of 1926, Nims said, will witness the most extensive program of telephone construction in the history of the Southwestern Bell company, which has a national program for expenditure of $250,000,000 in improvements. Expenditure of so large a sum, the executive explained, will be required to meet the increasing demands for telephone service, due largely to the rapid and prosperous growth of all industries in the Southwestern Bell territory, and the attendant increase in business and population. There are now 16,300,000 telephones in the nation-wide Bell system.

A NEW USE FOUND FOR COMMON PRODUCTS.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Plants, which have clothed and fed mankind, many now rally to his service as victims of disease, Dr. James Johnson, professor of the University of Wisconsin and an agent of the United States department of agriculture, said here today.

Dr. Johnson, who addressed a joint meeting o fthe Phytopathological society and the Potato association of America, indicated that, as plants do not suffer when inoculated with diseases akin to those which bring suffering and death to men, they provide ready subjects for research.

"The most actual cause of many of the commonly known and important infectious diseases of plants and animals is as yet undiscovered," the speaker said. "Most of these mysterious diseases of unknown origin lie in a group known as the filterable virus diseases, represented in plants by a variety of diseases known as 'mosaics.' In the human species the group is represented by such maladies as measles, smallpox, rabies and scarlet fever.

Truth Serum Nets Texas Murder Clue

TYLER, Dec. 31. — Important clues were uncovered and much information obtained when the first truth serum ever administered in Smith county was injected in a witness suspected of knowing all the circumstances surrounding the mysterious death of Forest Elms, who was found shot to death in the Sabine river bottoms 20 miles north of Tyler last November.

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1925 A RECORD YEAR IN VERNON

Expansion of Business District and Increased Trade Is Reported

VERNON, Texas, Dec. 31.—The year 1925 has been a record year for Vernon and Wilbarger county in development and growth, a survey of the year's activities shows. Business has increased, bank deposits have increased, and postal receipts have increased, and other evidence of rapid development is at hand on very side.

Business is increasing in the city, as is evidenced by the expansion of the city's business section. During the past year the business section of the city has been slowly expanding away from the square. At a cost of approximately $75,000 three modern brick store buildings were erected just off the square on North Cumberland street, and thus almost an entire block was added to the business section. A modern brick building is being erected at the corner of Fannin and Marshall streets that, when completed will practically complete a chain of modern store buildings in that section. New buildings have been constructed on North Main during the year, making that section one of the most modern-looking sections of the city business district.

New Businesses.

New business firms have come to Vernon. The Vernon Steam Laundry a modern cleaning plant, has been located in the city. During the year, two building and loan associations have established offices in Vernon. A large machine shop has been added to the city's industries. The Middle West Utilities company purchased the interests of a local power concern, and is now preparing to expend $225,000 on plants in the city.

Bank deposits for 1925 have exceeded the 1924 deposits for the same period at every call this year. At the time of the last call, which was in the latter part of September, $3,899,168.59 were on deposit in the local banks as compared with $3,-238,244.88. This increase may be well appreciated when the fact is considered that very little cotton had been picked in this county at the time of the call this year while 10,-000 bales had been ginned last year prior to the time of the call.

Postal Receipts Gain.

Postal receipts have exceeded the previous year's receipts throughout the year. The last quartr's receipts exceed those for the same period of the previous year by about $2,000. The receipts for the quarter ending with September of this year totaled $8,943.38 while the receipts for the same period of 1924 totaled $6,152.85.

IOWA PARK HAS RECORD GROWTH

Improvements in City and Wonderful Growth In Trade During 1925

IOWA PARK, Dec. 31.—Municipal improvements of $53,000; a 60 percent growth in population in four years; church improvements of $75,-000; five miles of hard surface highway; wonderful farm crops and increased production in local oil and other industries. This is the story briefly told, of Iowa Park's development in 1925, making this city one of the fastest growing towns in Wichita county.

The Canadian wheat crop is now placed at 422,000,000 bushels as compared with a previous estimate of 392,000,000 bushels.

Centre College Prexy Draws Ire of Grid Element



Because he is said to have favored relegating football to a less prominent level in the institution's activities, students of Centre College, Danville, Ky., made famous by its "Praying Colonels" football team, have filed a petition asking the removal of Dr. H. Ames Montgomery, president, and one of country's leading educators. Photos are of Dr. Montgomery and "Bo" McMillan, greatest of Centre's former stars.

Japanese Celebrate Birth of Royal Child



Despite their disappointment that the first born was not a boy, Japanese still are celebrating birth of a child to the wife of Hirohito, prince-regent. Girls have no rights of succession to the throne. Photo shows a throng of school children joyfully shouting "BANZAI" at the gates of the Akasaka palace.

Thieves Got His Prize Hen, Ranger Farmer Laments

RANGER, Dec. 31.—O. R. Brady, poultry farmer, who entered his prize single-comb White Leghorns in an egg laying contest announces that a chicken thief possibly will be responsible for losing the champion prize offered at the Texas A. and M. college. A thief stole one of his best egg producers. However, Brady says he now will finish about sixth, and this is a high rate considering that the best birds from a number of states are contesting. Poultry raising has become a big industry in Ranger and vicinity.

T.-O. News Briefs

VERNON—Slightly over 300 persons in Wilbarger county have secured their new license tags for autos, the records here show. The final limit for securing motor licenses is fixed at January 31.

CHILDRESS—Jack Noble, age 5-years, is reported to be recovering from a wound in the throat as result of falling on a top bugle that was given the child for Christmas.

MEMPHIS—Weldon Howard, of Childress, escaped without injury after turning over in auto on the Memphis-Childress road.

CHILDRESS—An ordinance authorizing a new building code, is expected to be introduced in the council.

VERNON—Sam Napier, who has been in Marlin for treatment for rheumatism for several weeks, left last week for Long Beach, Calif., to spend some time with his sister, Mrs. T. H. Shive.

CISCO—The bunk house of the Texas and Pacific section crew, was destroyed by fire with a loss of about $1,000.

FREDERICK—The Frisco railroad company is the biggest taxpayer in Tillman county, the record shows. The total amount paid by the railway this year is $15,275.92. The local agent paid half of the taxes. Only half is required to be paid at this time.

CISCO—Merchants of Cisco, who did record-breaking holiday business, report that trade is still lively even with Christmas over.

FREDERICK—Three boys were arrested here and will be turned over to officers at Sayre, Okla. They are said to have been driving in a stolen car.

ABILENE—H. A. Dupuy, formerly of Waco, has called a meeting in Brownwood for January 10, of representatives of West Texas towns interested in the reorganization of the West Texas baseball league.

SAN ANTONIO—The San Antonio, Uvalde and Gulf railroad was released from receivership by Judge Charles A. Bagnion of Waco in federal court today.

BROWNWOOD—W. D. Armstrong, prominent business man, was elected president of the Brownwood chamber of commerce succeeding E. J. Weatherby, who declined to stand for re-election.

AUSTIN—Treasury of Texas will begin the year of 1926 with $55,102.56 in the general revenue fund, W. Gregory Hatcher, state treasurer, announced today.

ABILENE—Merchants of Abilene will hold an annual show here during the week of February 22. A slogan of "buy Abilene-made products in Abilene," has been adopted.

WACO—Former Gov. Pat Neff and Dr S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor university, have accepted invitations to speak to the local campaign for the sale of Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial coins, which begins Saturday.

DALLAS—Discharge of a miniature pistol which was worn as a watch charm resulted in painful injury to A. Herman of Dallas today.

AUSTIN SCHOOL IS THIRD IN U. S. HEALTH CAMPAIGN.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Third prize of $100 in the national contest of the summer health round-up campaign was won by the Baker public school of Austin, Mrs. Will T. Decherd of Austin, publicity director of the Texas Parent-Teachers association was informed by a telegram from Mrs. A. H. Reeves of Philadelphia, president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

GRANT CHARTER AMENDMENT.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Amendment to the charter of the two republics fire insurance company of El Paso, increasing the capital stock from $156,000 to $200,000 was approved by the Attorney General's department today. Amendment was filed with the department of insurance.

A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder trouble, general weak and lame back, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. At your druggists or by mail $1.25 Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr E W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.—Adv.

Tiny Cabin Used By Mark Twain In Nevada When He Sought Vainly For Gold Is Converted Into A Shrine

Although He Discovered One of the Richest Mines In The State, He Lost It Because He Neglected Assessment Work Required By Law.

By AL MARTIN
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RENO, Nev., Dec. 31.—The tiny cabin used by Mark Twain at Aurora, Nev., while he prospected vainly for gold and sought literary recognition, has been converted into a shrine near Reno, dedicated to the youth of the west.

It has been removed to Idlewild park from the blistering desert and will be used by the Huckleberry Finn club of Reno, to develop high citizenship ideals and stimulate interest in the colorful life of the great humorist.

Nestled amid willow trees and guarded by a fence of rocks, such as miners built, the cabin is furnished just as Samuel Clemens left it, with the table, bed, chairs and other articles used by the humorist in the darkest hour of his life, whence he emerged triumphantly after years of bitter failure.

Open to Tourists.

From the young heart of Huckleberry Finn club, its sponsors plan to spread a new message to the youth of America and guide their steps into safe paths of American ideals.

The cabin will be open to tourists and Mark Twain lovers. Old friends of the author will tell visitors of his youthful days.

While living in the cabin, Clemens discovered a claim which afterwards became one of the famous mines of Nevada, but he failed to reap any profits because he neglected the assessment work required by law.

Wrapped in literary labors while his partner was absent, the budding humorist awoke one morning to find others had seized his holdings and were extracting rich ore.

He Quit.

Bitterly reproached by his partner, Clemens acknowledged his error and quit the mining game.

The old cabin was abandoned after the mines were exhausted, but pioneer friends of the humorist guarded it from destruction.

Then Nevada lovers of the author were startled by reports that Los Angeles people planned to purchase the cabin and remove it to southern California.

A roar of protest arose and the structure was moved to Idlewild park, where it forms a memorial to the humorist who immortalized the romance of the "silver sixties" in his "Roughing It."

Girl Tells How American Tourist Party in Bolivia Was Forced To Eat Monkey Meat and Turtle Eggs

Plenty of Man-Eating Crocodiles in River, and Savage Tribes Are There, Too, Say Returned Explorers.

LONGMEADOW, Mass., Dec. 31. (AP)—Eating monkey meat and helping the native girls to bob their hair were only two of the minor incidents of the expedition into the jungles of Bolivia from which Oscar de Lima Mayer of New York, Mrs. Mayer and Miss Ora Ford have just returned.

Miss Ford after arriving at her home here told of encounters with savage tribes, dodging man-eating crocodiles as well as snakes and tarantulas, shooting treacherous rapids on rafts and subsisting on turtle eggs. The expedition was one in search of beauty and adventure.

"You see," Miss Ford explained, "they told us that the valley of the Beni river was very beautiful. In a way it was disappointing. The trip was harder than we had anticipated and the gorgeous orchids they described for the most part had no blossoms. They grow in profusion along the river but you have to go far into the jungle to get the flowers."

Insect Bites Painful

The adventurers started from La Paz, the Bolivian capital, and crossed the Andes on mules. Indian guides piloted their rafts down the Matiri river, carrying them safely through precipitous rapids with whirlpools at the bottom. Gnats and mosquitoes were too abundant for comfort.

"They kept up good teamwork," Miss Ford remarked. "The gnats gnawed you till sundown; then the mosquitoes appeared. The insects are large and their bite is very painful."

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Take the remainder of the bottle home to your wife and children, for Aspironal is by far the safest and most effective, the easiest to take and the most agreeable cold and cough remedy for children as well as adults. Quickest relief for catarrhal croup and children's choking up at night.—Adv.

Happy New Year

Thanks for your past good will and patronage and remember we will be just as glad to serve you in the future, and hope to merit your further confidence and support.

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ELECTRA YOUTH HURT IN WRECK

Clyde Robb in Serious Condition; Went to Sleep At the Wheel

ELECTRA, Dec. 31.—Clyde Robb, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robb, is in a serious condition as a result of injuries received late last night when the automobile in which he was riding was wrecked on the pavement one and one-half miles north of Electra. Young Robb was returning home about 11:30 o'clock, and went to sleep while at the wheel of the car. The machine left the pavement, ran into a ditch and was stopped by a telegraph pole. The young man's head was injured, receiving a deep gash along the forehead, requiring five stitches to close it. He is said to be suffering from concussion of the brain.

Silas Jordan discovered the plight of the injured man, and brought him to Electra for treatment. Robb was unconscious from 11:30 last night until 7 o'clock this morning. He was taken in an ambulance to the family home four miles north of Electra this afternoon, and is reported to be slightly improved.

His parents were in Weatherford at the time of the accident, but they and other relatives have been called to his bedside.

MOODY TO SUE AGAINST NEW HIGHWAY CONTRACTS.

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Additional suits for cancellation of highway maintenance contracts may be filed, Attorney General Dan Moody said today while in Dallas. Mr. Moody said his office was working on some of the proposed cases now, but that it might not be found advisable to start proceedings. He left for Austin today, declaring the trip was of a vacation nature.

AUTO LICENSE TAGS GET $50,000 FOR FREDERICK.

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—Over $50,000 has been collected in Frederick, from the sale of 1926 auto tags, it is announced. About 5,000 tags have been issued, but a large number have not yet received their tags. The office has remained open at night in an effort to supply all applicants. Under the state law, all persons without tags, are subject to arrest.

AMERICAN LEADER OF LIBERIAN ARMY HOME.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Major Moody Staton, who returned recently from two years' service in Liberia as commander of the Liberian army, said today he planned to sail from New York about March to resume his command a month later. His home is here.

MID WINTER POULTRY SHOW AT ABILENE JAN. 9.

ABILENE, Dec. 31.—An auction sale of blooded chickens will be held at the Mid-Winter show of the West Texas Poultry Breeders' association, in Abilene, Jan. 9. Only those who have birds in the show will be allowed to sell. Entries have been received from many towns in Texas.

FREDERICK MEDICS ADOPT "PAY THE DOCTOR" SLOGAN.

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—"Pay your doctor," is the slogan adopted by Frederick medical men, who at a meeting in the Hotel Kelly cafe, voted that patients should pay for past treatment.

MRS. LOU SMITH ILL.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Illness of Mrs. Lou A. Smith Thursday prevented Chairman Smith of the Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial campaign in Texas from going to Dallas, where he was scheduled to broadcast a New Year's address on the developments of the movement to honor the soldiers of the south.

When you double your ration you double your chin.

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BAD FIRE RECORDS MAY CAUSE KEY RATE RAISE.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The state fire insurance commission may increase fire insurance rates in any particular city or locality in Texas that has a bad fire record without making a general increase over the state, an opinion by the attorney general held today. It was rendered G. N. Holton, secretary of the commission.

LOUISIANA OIL REFINING COMPANY IN RE-FINANCING.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A proposed issue of $4,000,000 preferred stock of Louisiana Oil Refining corporation, upon which stockholders will act about Jan. 18, is understood to be for retiring all of the company's 5 1-2 per cent serial debenture issue, originally $3,500,000 but which was reduced to $2,800,000.

RANGER C. C. TO SPEND $9,500 ON DEVELOPMENT

RANGER, Dec. 31.—The Ranger chamber of commerce plans to spend $9,500 for city development during the coming year, it was announced at a recent meeting.

ELECTRA C. C. TO BANQUET JAN. 22

"President By Proxy" Is Title of Farce to Be Given at Meeting

ELECTRA, Dec. 31.—"President by Proxy" is the title of a thirty minute farce which will be the principal feature of the program of the sixth annual banquet of the Electra chamber of commerce and agriculture, which will be held on Jan. 22. This farce illustrates the problems which confront the average chamber of commerce president and director. Although the farce carries a serious lesson regarding community service, it contains enough lively comedy to be highly entertaining.

The program of the banquet is in charge of E. W. Barr, Walter Skinner and Homer Hill. The players in the farce will be prominent Electra business men and women active in local civic work—a complete list of the cast of players will be announced next week.

Tillman Crop Is Off 25,000 Bales

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—Tillman county's cotton yield this last year is about 25,000 bales short as compared to last year, according to late ten estimates. The 1925 cotton ginned in the county was 62,735 bales in previous years, a total of 87,634 bales.

SELF-DEFENSE PLEA IN ABILENE KILLING.

ALBANY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Self defense is the plea offered by C. A. Breeden, Shackelford county, who came to Albany an odffered to make bail following the shooting of C. C. Hudgens, filling station proprietor at the latter's place of business ten miles west of Abilene Tuesday night. Hudgens, shot through the abdomen, is in a critical condition.

Breeden claims Hudgens, armed with a shotgun, advanced on him despite warning.

Happy New Year

We are turning our attention at this New Year season from our business affairs to wish you the finest kind of a year during 1926, and to tell you how much we appreciate your friendship and patronage in 1925.

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To everybody in Wichita Falls, little or big, old or young, we extend a hearty wish that the New Year will bring you it's best.

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RADIO USED IN STONE MT. WORK

New Year's Eve Messages Sent Out From Dallas

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP) With New Year's even Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial speeches were radioed out of the Dallas News' broadcasting station by State Chairman Lon A. Smith and Judge Royall R. Watkins, local chairman at Dallas. Arrangements were made for a tour of part of Texas by former Governor Charles H. Brough of Arkansas. The 1926 beginning for the completion of the design to the valor of the Confederate Soldiers promised to be carried to a whirlwind finish by January 23, date of the campaign's close.

Interest Increased

Former Governor Brough's interest in the Texas part of the movement has been sharpened through the energies of his personal friend, Frank Brame, chairman at Greenville. He has had much to do with the Arkansas organization. Though details of Brough's tour have not been concluded, it is expected he will open at Greenville, speak at Dallas and Fort Worth and appear at Austin with Sam Sparks, local chairman. Smith plans to meet him and accompany him back as far as Texarkana, where both will speak. Brough is considered one of the most eloquent speakers of the South.

Many Are Active

The holiday season brought many chapters of the Daughters of the Confederacy into active participation in the movement. Mr. J. K. Bivins of Longview, president of the Texas division of that organization, has appealed to every member to assist the work. Mrs. J. K. Morris of Bonnie Blue Flag chapter at Dallas; Mrs. Ada Sweeney of Fort Worth; Mrs. John D. Claybrook of Austin and others have volunteered to devote most of their time to the sale of Texas' quota of 475,000 coins.

Almost every bank in the state and three-fourths of the postmasters, Smith said, have aided and are still helping. Many postmasters are acting as local chairmen and are rendering important service. The banks have been generous in handling the coins.

Says Shakespeare Would Not Know His Dramas Now

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—If William Shakespeare could drop into a front row seat for a modern showing of "Hamlet" or "The Merchant of Venice," he would very likely ask "who wrote that?"

So declared Professor Hazleton Spencer of the State College of Washington in an address here before the modern language association of America.

Shakespeare has been so amended, delated, slashed, sliced and revamped that he would never recognize himself today, the speaker said.

Army Reserve Men Ask Begger Budget

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP) A campaign to obtain from congress an increase of $1,470000 over budget estimates for the organized reserve element of the army has been launched by the reserve officers association.

The membership of the association has been called upon to appeal directly to members of the house and particularly those on the military appropriations sub-committee in behalf of four items, which make up that total increase.

The largest item is $750,000 to provide uniforms for second lieutenants just commissioned in the reserve corps from the college training units or elsewhere; $176,000 is asked to pay mileage for regular army officers assigned as executive heads of organized reserve regiments; $63,000 more than recommended for travel and subsistence of enlisted men on duty with the organized reserve and $79,700 to make possible assignment of fourteen additional reserve officers to headquarters duty.

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Liberty Bell Rings Again



Mrs. W. Freeland Kendrick, wife of the mayor of Philadelphia, proclaims the beginning of the sesqui-centennial year of American Independence, by tapping the famed bell in Independence Hall.

Kansan, 104 Years Old, Tells A Vivid Story Of Wild Days In Hostile Texas Indian Country

George Andrew Gordon Once Rode Through Wilds Of North Texas With Only a Penknife and a Horse for Company.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Wakeful nights on the starlit plains of the Texas of 1840, when the hoot of an owl or the bay of a wolfe alone pierced the black void. Days of roving amid countless herds of buffalo and Indian bands where no white man had ventured. A tete-a-tete with death before a phalanx of stampeding buffalo. A ride overland to the Gulf with only a penknife for protection and a faithful horse for company—these, to George Andrew Gordon, were adventure. Now they are romance.

That this staunch pioneer should face the perils of an untamed frontier, stalked more than once by certain death, and live to tell that story 80 years afterward, seems fanciful. Yet before death came to George Andrew Gordon a few weeks ago at his Eureka, Kan., home, he had attained the age of 104 years and had unfolded to Gordon A. Badger the account of his expedition into the Texas wilds when a lad of 25. Mr. Badger's narrative will be a feature of the new volume of Kansas Historical collections, due to come from the press early in the new year.

There was no particular reason for Gordon's forsaking the comforts of home to explore the trackless stretches of Texas, but within 15 minutes after he had met four strange adventures in the spring of '46, they had set forth into a hostile Indian country south of the Red River. Two of his companions were grey-haired French Canadian trappers; two were natives of Arkansas.

Corn Pone Gone.

Two days found their corn pone exhousted; a few more and their salt was gone, and the diet became one roun dafter another of fresh buffalo ment. By night they camped in a spot as inconspicuous as possible, and after the old hunters had spun their evening yarns, they would crawl away from the fire, lie down with guns by their sides, their bed the ground, their saddles pillows, their covering the sky. No word was spoken above a whisper. No sentinel was posted, but perhaps they were never all asleep, Gordon thought, for an owl's hooting or the howling of a wolf was sure to awaken someone.

At length fresh signs of Indians warned the trappers to head the party homeward, and they set out one morning to lay in a supply of meat for several days' journey. Gordon went out with one of the Arkansans. In the hunt they became separated, and Gordon found he had lost all his bullets. Time passed and he failed to locate his companions. Alarmed at his predicament, he mounted a high ridge where he might be seen from afar.

In about an hour a faint murmuring came, as of wind sighing in pinetrees—but there was none. Could it be buzz of insects. He could see none near. The buzz became a drone, the drone a roar that shook the earth. And then he saw—a monstrous herd of buffalo charging down upon him, a surging black mass that would engulf him.

Gordon looked about frantically for a refuge. He could not tell what course to take to avoid them. His horse trembled with fear. There was a cluster of trees not far away, and he dashed over to it, tied his horse and clambered into the branches. But the center of that mass of animals struck the little grove, and it seemed inevitable that his horse would be rushed.

"The width of that sea of buffalo as shown by their trail was more than half a mile," Gordon related. "My terror was indescribable. Alone, as I feared, far from civilization, without a horse, in a hostile country, with my last bullet in my gun, a braver man than I might have despaired.

Attempt to Bolt

"When they had come within about 100 feet, those in front saw my horse and attempted to bolt, but in the twinkling of an eye, were overwhelmed by the pressure behind. One who has seen railroad cars pile up after a wreck can imagine how the buffalo piled up in an immense heap. This did not in the least check the great living creature," Gordon recalled. "He evidently had just come off second best in a contest with a rival, and was now ready to try his fortune in another battle. One lunge toward and I would have gone down with my horse. Many thoughts rushed to my mind, the most painful being that no word of my fate could ever reach my wife, whom I was hoping soon to meet. My horse realized the danger. He stood motionless as a statue, ears forward, and eyes deathless staring the buffalo in the face.

"How long we stood there I do not know. It seemed interminable. The buffalo, however, after satisfying himself that I was an enemy too powerful to attack, lowered his head, wheeled and dashed along the trail until he disappeared."

Through the wilderness the young man pushed on, riding all one night through an inky forest while wolves howled in the distance. Then one day he heard a splashing of water ahead, and emerging from a woodland saw three horsemen swimming their mounts across a murky stream. As they reached the opposite bank, Gordon guided his horse into the current not thinking but that he could cross as easily as they. But at midstream his horse sank beyond its depth, unable to swim. The current swept him on his side, and Gordon hung on, chilled in the icy water, trying to save what provisions he could of his meager store. At length he guided the animal ashore, and while the men stood heartlessly by and watched without proffering aid, Gordon made his way to an Indian hut where for a week he was nursed through illness by the Indians.

Finally he pulled himself together and rode onward to the Gulf, where he sold his faithful horse and embarked from Galveston to New Orleans and up the Mississippi and Ohio to Indiana and his home at Crawfordsville. In 1868 he settled near the site of Eureka, Kan., where he lived until his death.

Insect Lions Will Not Eat Without Trash on Backs

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The insect lion, alias "golden eyes," will not eat unless it has trash piled on its back. Roger C. Smith, who has prepared a paper on this insect for presentation before one of the groups of the American Association for Advancement of Science convention here, December 28 to January 2, found that golden eyes only sulk unless they have their accustomed burdens on their backs.

Mr. Smith made his observations at the Kansas State Agricultural college. He found some eggs of the species at the Kansas Experiment Station. The eggs are rare in Kansas, but are plentiful in the arid southwestern part of the United States. Mr. Smith said after the eggs were hatched, he experimented with the young "lions."

The scientist was pleased with the results, because neither this species nor any other of the genus ever had been reared and it added another species to the list of larvae of this family "which have the habit of placing various debris on their back in the form of a hemispherical kind of camouflage."

"The packer of debris," Mr. Smith says, "was held in place by long hairs which were recurved at the tips to hold it in place. The hooks all pointed backward. The larvae had the trash carrying instinct so highly developed they refused food until they had piled trash on their backs."

BRYAN MAN INJURED AS HIS AUTO IS DEMOLISHED

BRYAN, Dec. 31.—Milton Taylor was seriously injured when he swerved his car into the platform in front of the West Public Service company, totally demolishing the automobile. He suffered a broken jaw, many deep gashes on his face and neck, and both arms were badly lacerated.

PALESTINE MAN, AGED 95, IS CRITICALLY ILL

PALESTINE, Dec. 31.—Charles Adolphus Sterne, past 95 years of age, and a citizen of Palestine for more than 50 years, is seriously ill at his home here, but was reported as much improved today.

Crop Rotation Is Urged As Killer Of Germ in Seed

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Rotation of crops and the disinfecting of seed are urged by Bert Ball, director of plans of the national crop improvement committee, Chicago, in a paper prepared for broadcasting here this week.

Diseases, which the Ohio experiment station states cause an average potato disease loss of about 28 per cent may be curbed, he said.

"It is necessary to rotate crops," he said, "because any fungus parasite such as scab, black scrnf, rots and wilts, live for four or five years or more in the old plants and in refuse left in the field. Popular rotation is: potato on sod; second year, oats or wheat; third year, clover; fourth year, clover. After a proper six-year rotation this plan has brought about an increase of from 75 to 200 bushels.

Too many straight flushes after sun-down make hectic flushes after sun-up.

A Happy New Year

May all the fine old traditions of good cheer; big faith, greater power and stronger friendships be continued in this New Year for you—may the pleasantest remembrances find reawakening in new and bright realities.

Success, Happiness, Good Cheer
May they create for you
A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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1926

WE wish all our friends a very Prosperous New Year.

We have enjoyed a good business the past year, enjoyed your friendship and patronage, too. We will strive even harder to merit your confidence and good will the entire New Year.

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FINE LADIES WEAR

See Our Big Ad on Page 2

New Year's Greetings

We thank you for your support during 1925 in making our business one of the successful enterprises of Wichita Falls.

May the New Year bring you continued prosperity and success.

Nash-King Motor Co.

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New Year's Greetings

Our New Year's Wish For You would make 1926 the Busiest, Happiest and Most Prosperous year you have ever had.

We also wish to express our appreciation to our friends and customers for the past successful year.

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No. 2—Electra
No. 5—Holliday
No. 7—Iowa Park
No. 8—Henrietta
No. 9—Archer City
No. 10—710 Ninth St.
No. 11—2100 Grant.

New Year's Greetings To Owners Of Dodge Brothers Cars

We are especially glad to have known you and to have had such pleasant business relations with you in the past years, and we look forward to many years of continued service.

To Others Not Owners Of Dodge Brothers Cars

We hope that 1926 will see you the owner of a "Dodge"—Your happiness completed.

And To All

We wish many years of peace, hope and prosperity.

McTall Brothers
Vernon Wichita Falls Electra

Irrigation For 500,000 Acres More On Texas' 1926 Program

SIX GIGANTIC PROJECTS ARE CONTEMPLATED

Robstown-Corpus Christi District Will Spend Six Millions on System

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 31.—The most marked economic change 1926 has in store for Texas is the completion of vast irrigation projects in many parts of the state. The change of more than half a million acres of land from farming dependent on rain and weather, to irrigated crops will be greater than irrigation achievements for a whole decade past. It will be a reclamation - conservation - irrigation year, according to the state board of water engineers.

Texas will begin cashing in in 1926 on the statewide topographic survey, and the farmers of any one of nearly a dozen counties will receive benefits from the first year more than covering the entire cost to the state of the whole state-wide survey, it is said.

The Wichita Falls irrigation project, now nearing 100,000 acres, is the first large one to get in operation.

6 Other Projects.

But following close on it, and crowding each other for completion, are at least six other projects, covering as much or nearly the same possible acreage.

The $6,000,000 Robstown-Corpus Christi irrigation system is one of the biggest on which work has started, according to the water board. This will follow the noted Wichita district plan of financing, whereby the city is to build the reservoir, and then additional districts are to be taken in when the system is ready to supply the farmer with water. In this way, bonds are actually sold at a premium. This district will irrigate over 100,000 acres of land.

Texas is capitalizing its misfortunes of drouth in 1925 by rushing the irrigation systems to completion, officials say. A 3,000 acre local irrigation system at Robstown provided the only real cotton production of Nueces county during the past year.

What Irrigation Does.

Recent discoveries that the drouth-affected cotton of 1925 was of such short staple and poor strength it was worthless for spinning, has directed attention to the fact that irrigated land produces cotton of one-eighth to one-fourth inch longer staple than unirrigated land planted in the same cotton variety.

The Cotulla district is another being hurried along with prospects of paying returns at once. This starts off as a $3,000,000 irrigation project, with a still larger investment as the canal systems are extended to more lands.

San Saba has an engineer on the ground at work on the 35,000 acre irrigation system planned there.

The Mineral Wells irrigation district is said to be the only one in the state limited only by the amount of land subject to irrigation, with over 100,000 acres available, and unlimited water.

The Breckenridge irrigation system, whose reservoir will be in Throckmorton county, may within a year or two rival the noted Wichita development.

In San Angelo Area.

San Angelo section is developing what until this year would have been an exceptional irrigation system; one which will rank with the larger of the others under way.

Uvalde county has under development a 30,000 acre irrigation system with its reservoir to be supplied from the Frio river.

All these are projects which are not merely tentative, but which are under way; whose results will begin to count in 1926.

Their completion wil lintroduce an entirely new element into the cotton-growing industry in which Texas leads the world, for they will set a new standard in quality and per-acre production, and render a substantial part of the growers of Texas independent of rainfall, and protected from floodwaters.

The projects listed do not include those of the lower Rio Grande valley which are either completed, or scheduled to be finished earlier than the others, and which are designed not only for cotton but for produce and citrus fruits.

Pioneer Childress Home to Be Moved

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—The residence of Miss Mollie McConnell, which was built in the early days of Childress, is to be moved to make room for a modern brick garage building. This was one of the best residences 35 years ago, when Childress was a "wild west" frontier town. It is one of the few remaining landmarks of early days.

To Vote Bonds For Childress Hospital

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—A bond issue for a hospital site and building, etc., costing $150,000, is expected to be submitted to the voters of Childress county during the coming year. The county is in great need of a modern hospital owing to its continued growth.

Tulia's Streets Will Get Paving

TULIA, Dec. 31.—As result of a bond election, this city will be paved on the main streets. Only four persons in the town voted against the bonds. The issue is for a total of $163,285.

To supply healtful humidity in the average stove-heated house, about one-half gallon of water per hour should be evaporated.

Lucky Girls Shine as New Stars in Film Firmament



Organization known as "Wampas," composed of film executives, which each year picks the 13 young women who show greatest screen promise, placed these on 1925 roll of honor: 1—Mary Astor; 2—Fay Wray; 3—Vera Reynolds; 4—Joyce Compton; 5—Sally O'Neill; 6—Dolores Costello; 7—Mary Brian; 8—Sally Long. Others chosen were: Dolores Del Rio, Joan Crawford, Marceline Day, Janet Gaynor, and Edna Marian.

ELECTRA

HONORS HUSBAND'S BIRTHDAY.

Mrs. F. E. McMullen honored her husband's birthday on Wednesday evening with a six o'clock dinner at their home on East Bryan Avenue, the Magnolia baseball team of the Twilight league were guests and presented Mr. McMullen with a very nice baseball glove. After the dinner the guests enjoyed a splendid evening in playing bridge and 42. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Tollie Wilburn, Westley Shaw, Tom Courtney, B. Whitesides, Troy Ray, Bob Candler, R. Sargent, Jimmy Yarbrough, Bill Williamson and Dewey Williams and Messrs. Sub Hipps and A. Scott.

BUFFET LUNCHEON.

Miss Lydia Sheldon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sheldon entertained with a buffet luncheon at her home on East Wharton Avenue on Tuesday noon honoring Mrs. E. P. Werner of Philadelphia, Pa., who is a guest of her sister, Mrs. R. P. Prince. The dining room was decorated with cut flowers and silver candlesticks. Roses were used and favors. Those enjoying the delightful affair were Mesdames C. F. Kelp, W. T. Waggoner Jr., E. L. Sheldon, R. P. Prince and L. J. Prince and L. E. Sheldon, Jr., of Wichita Falls; Misses Vera Prince and Ruth Prince, Emma Sheldon, Kathryn Sheldon and the hostess. In the afternoon two tables of bridge were played and Mrs. L. E. Sheldon, Jr., received the high score and was awarded a piece of lingerie and the guest prize, also a piece of lingerie was awarded to Mrs. Werner.

CHAUTAUQUA CLUB.

Mrs. L. E. Sheldon entertained the Chautauqua Reading club at her home on East Wharton Avenue Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Fred Cummings, conducted the lesson from "Life of the Ancient East," and each one answered roll call with a current event. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Bruce Hyde, A. E. McKelvey, Guy McNeely, J. T. McDannald, H. A. Decker, Miss Nell Jackson and the hostess. The next meeting will be held Jan. 13.

ELECTRA MAN WEDS.

C. B. Reed of this city was married on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, to Miss Susie Johnson of Fort Worth, at the home of Rev. J. T. Cabe on East Ida Avenue. Mr. Reed is well known in the city and the young couple will make their home in Electra.

ELECTRA PERSONALS.

Mr. Byron Wilbanks of West Roosevelt Avenue is confined to his bed this week.

J. C. Couch is ill at his home and has been confined to his bed for several days.

Mrs. Earl Hodges of Holliday spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Malone, and was accompanied to Electra by her small sisters, Lloren Aymes of Wichita Falls.

Mrs. J. A. Crase and children, Lloren, Williams and Eugene returned from having spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Hevrin and family motored to Wichita Falls on Thursday.

Mrs. G. A. Birchfield and children are spent the holidays with relatives in South Texas.

Childress Makes State Take Notice

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—Childress during 1925 set a pace in building that opened the eyes of Texas. More than $2,000,000 was spent on building in this city during the year, a survey by a local business man shows.

VERNON

Andy M. Thompson and Miss Opal Carpenter, local young people were married Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by Rev .C. A. Bickley, pastor of the Methodist church at his study. A few close friends witnessed the ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. L. A. Carpenter of this city and has been in the sales department of the Anderson Store company for several months. She is worthy advisor of the Rainbow Girls of Vernon.

Mr. Thompson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Thompson, prominent family of the Bourland community and the couple will make their home on his father's place, where he is actively engaged in farming.

TO CHURCH MEET.

Keith Pigg, Miss Mary McHugh and Miss Ruth Carney left Tuesday for Memphis, Tenn., to attend a three-day meet of the young people's organization of the Methodist church. Over 5,000 delegates are expected to attend.

Mr. Pigg and Miss McHugh are active workers in the local congregation and Miss Carney, who is a student at Southern Methodist university, at Dallas, is one of the leaders along religious lines in the university.

At the close of the meeting, Miss Carney will return to Dallas.

TO LOS ANGELES.

Mrs. R. L. More and son, Robert, who has been spending the holidays with his parents, left Thursday for Los Angeles, where the young man is attending the University of California. Mrs. More will be away several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King had as their guests last week, her sisters, Mrs. W. A. Mudgett and family of Chickasha, Okla., and Mrs. S. M. Hale and family of Claude.

Mrs. Frazier Bell, Mrs. S. W. Bailey and daughter, Anna, spent Wednesday in Wichita Falls.

Miss Opal Hamm of Davideon, Okla., has returned to her home, after a visit here with her aunt, Mrs. H. A. Samuel and family.

R. D. L. Killough has returned from a visit with his mother, Mrs. C. A. Killough at Wheelock.

Mrs. R. D. L. Killough and daughter, Josephine returned Tuesday from Los Angeles' where she was called in October when her brother, Fred Cawood sustained a fractured hip, caused by a fall, on the pavement. Mr. Cawood is improving, though his hip is yet in a plaster cast and his recovery will necessarily be slow.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Brooks has as their guests for Christmas week, their daughter, Miss Una, teacher in the Amarillo schools, and Miss Maurine, student in the West Texas Teachers' college in Canyon; D. L. Brooks, student at Texas Technological college at Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Rester A. Brooks and little son, R. A. Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Wilson, all of Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Vaught and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Phillips spent Christmas with relatives at Denton.

L. D. Terrell has returned from Arkadelphia, Ark., where he spent the holidays with relatives. He says there is no better place in the world for good food than Arkansas. He also visited in Hot Springs and had plenty to drink in the way of hot water.

Mrs. W. W. Cox of Gentry, Ark., has arrived for a visit with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Prince and other relatives.

Mrs. B. C. Wood and daughter, Miss Annie Mae have returned from a visit with Mrs. Wood's sons, O. L. of Wichita Falls and Hansel of Ennis.

Mrs. Beulah Abbott of Sherman is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Everett Westbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Holley entertained about 20 guests Thursday night and the feature of the evening was the beautiful Christmas tree, loaded with beautiful gifts. They also celebrated the birthday of their little son, Santa Claus in spite of the work he had to do that night, was present and handed out the gifts. Delicious refreshments were served.

Robert Wright, Robert Stokes, Arless and Ernest Hawkins, Harlow Rouse and Erwin Lyon have returned to Waco, where they are attending Baylor university after spending the holidays here with relatives.

Miss Jamie Mann and Miss Lois Thompson have returned to Denton where they are students in the North Texas State Teachers' college, after a visit during the holidays with their parents.

Marriage Licenses.

A. L. Graham and Miss Mae Brown.
Robert R. Pearcy and Verna E. Mathus.
Arthur J. Reeves and Miss Trixie Cotfer.
Andy M. Thompson and Miss Opal Carpenter.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

December 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ellis of Vernon, a daughter.
December 30, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hodge, a son, of Vernon.
December 21, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smiddy of Vernon, a daughter.
December 22, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thomas Oklahoma, a daughter.
December 23, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Crisp, Raymond, a son.
December 23, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Massey, Vernon, a daughter.
December 24, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Thrash, Vernon, a daughter.
December 24, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sherrill, Hillcrest, a son.
Decembe 24, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lane, Vernon, a son.
December 26, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Oliver, Kingsha, a son

HOSTESS AT BRIDGE.

Members of the Tuesday Bridge club and other guests were entertained at the home of Miss Esther Swartwood on Texas street Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. E. L. McCarter won high score and was given a beautiful plaque. Prize for low score, a bon bon box was won by Mrs. Weems Craig. A salad course was served to Mrs. Keith Berry, Mrs. Frank Byrd, Mrs. Joe Sumner, Mrs. Clint Swartwood, Miss Adele Sumner, Mrs. E. L. McCarter, Mrs. O. O. McCurdy, Mrs. George Hardin, Mrs. John A. Storey, Mrs. C. M. Caraway, Mrs. Weems Craig.

Waurika

Edward Stewart and son, Courtney of Wichita Falls, were calling on friends in Waurika Sunday, en route to Duncan.

Friends in Waurika were sorry to learn of the death of S. W. Hays, the aged father of S. E. Hays, who died in Fort Worth and was buried Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Phelan and their son, Ralph spent Christmas day with Mr. Phelan's sisters, Mrs. W. A. Mitchell and Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. R. I. Bullum and Mr. Bullum at Terral.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Ray spent the week-end in Bowie with relatives.

Dr. Geo. Grundy of Lawton, and his mother, Mrs. S. E. Grundy were guests at the Arthur Grundy home.

Jimmie DuBose of Chickasha was the week-end guest of Chas. Thompson.

Henry Nall, Leon Weis and Miss Frances Lemons were guests at a lovely dinner dance at the home of Miss Cleo Stone at Hastings.

Miss Frances Lemons was a guest at the home of Miss Lucille Carden in Hastings last Saturday afternoon, who entertained a merry party of maids and matrons with bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pruet and little son, Jean Virgil of Addington are guests this week at the Virgil Davis and R. R. Pruet homes.

Mrs. E. B. Snider and two children, Janice and E. B. Jr., of Edmond are guests during the holidays of Mrs. Snider's parents Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Davis.

Mrs. E. T. Mitchell and son are spending a few days in Lawton with their husband and father, who is employed at that place.

Mrs. V. D. Doss of Vernon, is in Waurika to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carrithers.

Mrs. P. W. McVay and son, Bill of Wilson, spent the last week-end in Waurika with their husband and father, P. W. McKay.

E. E. Porter and family of Oklahoma City, L. W. Porter and family of Walters, and Mrs. Grace Sneatham and family of Hastings, took dinner recently with their parents, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs J. M. Hudlow.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson of Kansas City who have been visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snooks and their little son, Wayne, have returned to Kansas City. Wayne aged three, will remain with his grandparents until spring.

J. D. and Chester Curtis who spent the last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Curtis, returned Sunday to their work at Cushing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hays of Henrietta and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Phillips of Ardmore were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Stone.

Frank Smyers of Byers was a last week-end guest of Jesse J. Hunter.

Miss Ruth Beavers who is attending school at Keene, Texas, is a guest this week of her sister, Mrs. Roy Gamsby.

Edric Denney and his sister, Miss Olga Denney, and Miss Rebecca Green left last Friday afternoon for Fort Worth and Springtown, to visit relatives.

J. M. Countiss of Coutiss, Ark., is a guest this week of his brother, E. Countiss. Mr. Countiss is accompanied by his daughter, Miss Willie Mae Countiss.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy of Chickasaw visited their daughter, Mrs. A. D Cummings, over the past week-end. Mrs Cummings' brother, J. M. Murphey and family of Dallas, were also house guests at the Cummings home over the week-end.

Dorrance Clifton went to Ada Sunday to visit relatives.

I. B. Clifton returned to his work at Bush Springs Sunday after spending the week-end with home folks.

Billy Derrick and Marcus Clark of Medill were guests at the I. B. Clifton home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hollinger of Wichita Falls drove to Waurika Sunday afternoon and were accompanied home by Miss Hazel Armagas.

Miss Winnie Suttle spent Saturday and Sunday with her uncle, Ellie Suttle and family, in Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Arner and their little son, Billy James, spent the last week-end with Mrs. Arner's parents, Mr. and Mrs Aich Baker, at Electra. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Arner's sister, Bertis, who will attend the Waurika public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stowe and children and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller spent the last week-end in Dallas, guests at the home of Mrs. Stowe's and Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Putty.

Mrs. Gordon King of Duncan came to Waurika Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Sims.

Mrs. A. B. Miller of Eureka, Kan., is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Sims.

Miss Erwa Kauerauf of Oklahoma City spent the last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kauerauf.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Berry and their daughter, Norma Louis, of Davenport, Okla., spent the last week-end with Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Woodson. Mrs. Berry and the baby came to Waurika on the train and en route were in a wreck at Luther, Okla., which rather a frightening experience. While here Mrs. Berry and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Isom Berry, were driving home from Duncan and just north of Addington, collided with onther car and turned over. Both escaped with a few bruises, but Mr. and Mrs. Woodson think that the Christmas holidays held enough exeitement for them and were thankful their daughter escaped both accidents without being injured.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Largnet and their two children came home Saturday afternoon from a visit with Mr. Largent's mother at Chico, Texas.

Memphis Has Had Year of Building

MEMPHIS Dec. 31.—More than $500,000 was spent on new building in Memphis during the year 1925, a survey shows, while plans for the new year call for a building program unprecedented in the history of this prosperous Hall county city.

A new $40,000 hotel is to be erected by Thompson Bros. Howard company and many other new business buildings and residences are contemplated.

BAN ON FIREWORKS AT CHILDRESS EXPECTED

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—A crusade is being waged on business firms handling fireworks as result of the terrific explosion which occurred at the Childress Hardware Co., store. The entire store of fireworks was set off by a boy who is said to have dropped a match. A number of buildings close by were damaged by the explosion. Insurance firms threaten to double the rate on business firms. The council is expected to pass an ordinance prohibiting fireworks.

One may live without food for days; without water for hours; without air but a few minutes.

Vernon Man Hurt As Autos Crash

VERNON, Dec. 31.—L. L. Wyke, manager of the Wykes Motor company, was painfully injured about 8 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when a light coupe he was driving was struck by a car driven by W. O. Haney on West Wilbarger street. Mr. Wyke's car was turned over and he was thrown out through the top. Although his chest was bruised and a knee lacerated, attending physicians state that he injuries are not serious.

Work Starts Soon On Vernon Plant

VERNON, Dec. 31.—A. Koener of San Antonio, foreman of construction of the new ice plant for the Vernon Electric & Ice company will arrive Thursday, January 1 and work will be started immediately on the new $40,000 project at the corner of Cumberland and Olive streets, according to R. H. Smith, superintendent of the local company.

CHILDRESS JUBILANT OVER RAIL EXTENSION PROSPECTS

CHILDRESS, Dec. 31.—Property owners and others interested in making Childress the metropolis of the Panhandle, are jubilient over news that the Texas railway commission has approved the plan of the Denver railway extension to the south plains country. The new extension means as much or more to Childress, as it does to any city along the proposed route.

Railroad trackage property in Childress has gone up.

LATE PHYSICIAN OWNED N FIRST WELLINGTON AUTO

WELLINGTON, Dec. 31.—In the death of Dr. A. S. Street, pioneer physician of Wellington, old-timers recall that he was the owner of the first automobile ever brought to Collingsworth county. In the early days when the county had no railroad and the settlers lived miles apart, this car was used by Dr. Street in administering to the sick. His death was the result of an operation for appendicitis. Besides the widow, Dr. Street leaves two sons.

CISCO DEER HUNTERS GET FINE BAG IN S. W. TEXAS

CISCO, Dec. 31.—A party of Cisco hunters who visited the Davis mountains in southwestern Texas, not only told about their good luck—they brought home their evidence with them. Four big deer, the best bag ever secured by any Ciscoites in recent years, were brought home. The lucky party is composed of Melvin Kiggins, A. L. Taylor, Joe W. Johnston, Tom Washburn and Charles J. Kleiner.

A Happy New Year

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—May 1926 bring you happiness and prosperity.

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713-15 Indiana Avenue

JARDINE CALLS FARM MEETING

First of Series of Conference Will Discuss Agricultural Surplus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A conference for the discussion of the agricultural surplus question has been called by Secretary Jardine to convene here January 12. It will be the first of a series of conferences planned by the secretary for this purpose.

The date coincides with that for the first day's session of the fourth national cooperative marketing conference to be held here and many leaders in agriculture are expected here for both meetings.

Those invited by the agriculture secretary to attend the farm surplus gathering include former Governor Lowden of Illinois, Sam Thompson, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Aaron Sapiro, attorney for a number of cooperative marketing organizations, and editors of leading agricultural publications.

Oil Man's Estate Gets Tax Refund

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 31.—(AP)—The return of more than $500,000 which had been collected as income and excess profits tax from the late Glenn T. Braden, oil operator of Sewickley, Pa., was ordered in federal court here today by Judge W. H. S. Thompson. The suit involved lands owned by the Osage Indians and leased to Braden.

Tipton Woman's Will Is Broken

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—The will of Mrs. E. Elledge, who died near Tipton, has been ordered broken by County Judge Ruch, following a hearing. The woman left all the property to her son, J. S. Elledge, with whom she lived. Other brothers and a sister, each were given $5, by terms of the will. The other relatives contested.

Poor Staple Cost Farmers $10 Bale

FREDERICK, Dec. 31.—Tillman county farmers lost an average $10 a bale—a total of about $600,000 for the season, as result of the short staple cotton being planted, according to an estimate made by B. Robey, a local cotton buyer. Robey advocates the planting of a long staple cotton seed. Tillman county is one of the heaviest cotton producers in Oklahoma.

GRANDFIELD MAN PUTS UP $6,000 BOND IN DRY CASE.

GRANDFIELD, Dec. 31.—Bonds totaling $6,000 were required from John A. Tutt, Grandfield, by Justice C. S. Rosson of Frederick. Tutt was arrested at Grandfield on a liquor charge.

POPE CELEBRATES FEAST OF KINGDOM OF CHRIST

ROME, Dec. 31.—(AP)—With customary pomp and splendor the pope today at a ceremony in the basilica of St. Peters promulgated the feast of the Kingdom of Christ as a part of the Catholic liturgy, as announced in his recent encyclical.

LUBBOCK GARAGE GIVEN STATE BUSINESS CHARTER

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—A charter was granted today by the secretary of state, to the Super Service Station (garage), with main place of business at Lubbock, Texas; capital $5,000. Incorporators are D. H. Mansell, W. R. Wardroup Jr. and Mrs. Muriel Mansell.

ELECTRA COUPLE WED

ELECTRA, Dec. 31.—J. G. Grist, an employee of the Dale Refining company, and Miss Essie Freiley, a prominent young school teacher of the rural community were married on Wednesday night, Dec. 30, about 8:30 at the city hall, with Justice of the peace J. T. Cabe, officiating. Their marriage came as quite a surprise to their many friends.

Oppose Adoption of Nameless Babe



Harry F. Dolan and Charles E. Houghton, who claim to be custodians of estate of Miss Lorania Beckwith, who died at 38, leaving a 10-month-old boy and $400,000, are contesting legality of the adoption of the child by (above) Miss Anita Hodgkin, dean of School for Christian Service, Berkeley, Cal.

Where Mine Disaster Made Christmas Forgotten



Rescue crews are searching ruins of Webb mine, near Bellaire, Ohio, for bodies of additional victims of the disaster which threw a tragic pall over the local Christmas. At least nine men were killed in the accident, the majority of workers escaping. Photo shows the mine.

Krishna Murti, School Teacher, 28, Is Hailed As Savior Of World By New Religious Sect In California

Evidences of New Race of People In Australia and California, With Murti, to Deliver Sermon On Mount

BY GEORGE K. BENJAMIN.
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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—If the spirit of the divine world teacher, which Theosophists believe occupied the body of Jesus Christ nearly 2,000 years ago, manifests itself again during this holiday season, as has been predicted, in the body of Krishna Murti, a 28 year old school teacher, members of the Order of the Star in the East are determined not to become excited or hysterical.

Members of the order, of whom there are several thousand in California, are tense with suppressed excitement over the expected development. They believe that the word that Christ's spirit has returned will be the most momentous announcement of recent centuries.

But they are determined not to take any action that will permit criticism as fanatics. So even if the report does spread from Adyar, India, that the body of Krishna Murti has been possessed by the spirit of the master, there are to be no dramatics or sensational demonstrations.

Word to Members.

The following is the word that has been passed out to secretaries of local groups of the order:

"With most of you it is doubtless unnecessary to stress the point of normalcy. However, it is well for all of us to remember that ours is a staggering message and if we display excessive enthusiasm or other emotion over it that will brand us as fanatics and do irreparable damage to the work of preparing the public mind."

Krishna Murti is well known among members of the Order of the Star in the East in California and he is expected to spread his message to the world largely from this state, which he visited only last year.

The theory on which rests the prediction that his body is being prepared to house the divine spirit has been of especial interest to Californians. So the man in the street, Californians are the chosen people. Members of the order of the Star in the East explained to the writer that the divine spirit manifests itself on earth when the world is badly in need of a spiritual leader and when a new race is being evolved. Just now, they say, the world yearns for leadership, and there are evidences of the appearance of a new race in Australia and America—particularly in California.

New Race of People.

A distinctive characteristic of the new race is said to be intuition which coupled with love, makes its members more capable of service to their fellow men. Krishna Murti is declared by those who know him here to be a suitable leader for such a race. They describe him as a very modest young man, with beautiful brown eyes, a slender handsome figure, and great personal magnetism.

Schoolboys here listened to his lectures and then had a rousing good time at sports with him on the playground. His San Francisco hostess was touched—and embarrassed—when he asked if he might help her daughters clear away the dinner dishes.

Attends Movie Show.

He is a careful, fastidious dresser, favoring grays; wears no jewelry and is credited with a good sense of humor. He goodnaturedly chided his followers here for taking themselves too seriously at times and then went with some of them to the movies.

His followers predict that he will adopt the silver screen, along with the telephone, the telegraph, the radio and the printing press for the spreading of his gospel.

Should he desire, like the Christ, to deliver a sermon on the mount, he will be able to use his own private mountain. He owns a little mountain ranch at Ojai, 25 miles from Santa Barbara. That and Hollywood are his favorite haunts in America.

Senator Appeals $9,000,000 Tax

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Senator Couzens, Republican, of Michigan, today took a formal appeal to the board of tax appeals from the treasury department's assessment of $9,000,000 back taxes which it claimed the senator owed as the result of his transactions in Ford Motor company stock.

The senator was given 60 days in which to take an appeal or pay the assessment. He said that he would fight the claim of the treasury department through all of the necessary stages of court procedure.

DEPUTY, SHOT IN PURSUIT OF LUNATIC, SUCCUMBS

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 31.—(AP)—John Lejeune, deputy sheriff of East Baton Rouge parish, who was shot Saturday night while trying to arrest Alton Jones, an escaped lunatic, died today. He leaves a widow and seven children.

ONCE A DESERT, NOW IN BLOOM

Head of Kansas Aggie School Tells What Science Has Done

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—(AP)—The "great American desert," several hundred thousand quare miles in extent, has yielded and flowered before agricultural and mechanical science, said F. D. Farrell in a paper which he read here at a joint meeting of the American association for the Advance of Science and of the Sigma Xi honorary fraternity. Dr. Farrell, who is president of the Kansas State Agricultural college, succeeding Dr. William M. Jardine, secretary of agriculture, compared the desolation pictured by early historians in the western part of the United States with the prodigal productivity of today.

Dr. Farrell quoted from a geography of 1824, which said: "Not a thousandth part can be said to have any timber growth, and the surface is generally naked. The predominant soil of this region is of sterile sand, and large tracts are to be met with, which exhibit scarcely a trace of vegetation. There is little evidence that it can become the residence of an agricultural nation."

200 YEARS TO BE LIFE OF MAN AFTER YEAR 2000

NEW YORK, Dec. 31—Babies born in 2000 A. D. may expect to live 200 years in the view of Professor Hornell Hart of Bryn Mawr, as expressed to the American Sociological Society. Science, he thinks, will accelerate the increasing average length of life.

151 MILLIONS IS REFUNDED

Mellon Shares With Other U. S. Taxpayers as Treasury Cuts a Melon

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Refunds totaling $151,885,415.60 were given to federal taxpayers during the last fiscal year by the treasury department.

Submitting a report on the subject to congress the department set forth that $134,107,773.15 was returned on account of illegal collection of taxes and $17,777,642.45 under terms of the 1924 revenue act which allowed a flat 25 per cent reduction of income taxes payable that year.

The list of those receiving the refund included several thousand individual taxpayers in every section of the country.

T. N. Prater, Lorenzo, Texas, was refunded $7,957.56.

Texas Company, Houston, Texas, $967,219.

Secretary Mellon was listed as having received a refund of $404,871.82.

John D. Rockefeller received $457,870.

Charles D. Schaffner, an executor of the estate of Warren G. Harding, was refunded $71,123.17.

Oklahoman Denies Crime While Under The 'Truth Serum'

HOLDENVILLE, Okla., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Claude C. Newton repeated today under the influence of scopolamin, "truth serum," the denials he made throughout a sensational trial at which he was convicted of the killing of Briggs Chumley, Oklahoma City policeman.

Newton volunteered to appear as a subject for the test before the annual convention of the Oklahoma Sheriff's association here and his protestations of innocence were made before a large group of officers.

Governor M. E. Trapp also was in the room and listened as Dr. R. E. House of Ferris, Texas, discoverer of the serum, and a committee of officers plied Newton with questions as to the killing.

Afterward the governor refused to comment on what he had heard, declaring it merely a scientific demonstration.

WACO CITY BOSS BARELY ESCAPES FALLING PLASTER

WACO, Dec. 31.—Thirty-five hundred foot pounds of energy were wasted at the city hall and city Manager E. E. McAdams, efficiency expert, was frankly glad it was wasted.

Just after the city manager had passed out of the door of his office, seven square feet of four-foot plaster weighing about 100 pounds crashed from the ceiling 35 feet above, and hit the floor behind him.

SUES TWO RAILROADS FOR $50,000 AFTER ACCIDENT.

WACO, Dec. 31.—Echoing the Elm street crash of a year ago, when a street car was overturned in a collision with a backing Katy freight train, and 25 persons injured, Frank Nemmer has filed suit in the seventy-fourth district court Wednesday against the Texas Electric and the Katy railroads for $50,000.

In "U. S. Follies"



Uncle Sam is giving Flo Ziegfeld strong competition for girl show honors. "U. S. Follies," annual production of Washington government clerks, has the Marinelli Sisters among its featured performers.

1925 WAS "WARM AND DRY" WEATHER BUREAU SAYS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Notwithstanding the state of the thermometer in recent days, "warm and dry" is the epitaph written by the weather bureau for the year 1925.

The period will go into meteorological history, weather bureau experts said today, marked by one of the most devastating and wide spread drouths, and by a record-breaking number of high temperatures.

For better health, discard the Turkish rug, the Turkish duster and the Turkish cigarette.

PLAYFUL, HE RAIDED HIS HOME; FOUND MAN THERE.

DES MOINES, Dec. 31.—(AP)—When Patrolman George H. Keppel in playful mood decided to stage a make-belief raid on his home yesterday and surprise his wife he found a surprise awaiting him in the form of a stranger, who in his absence, he says, was making himself perfectly at home. Patrolman Keppel has filed a petition for divorce.

Mrs. Keppel denies any impropriety.

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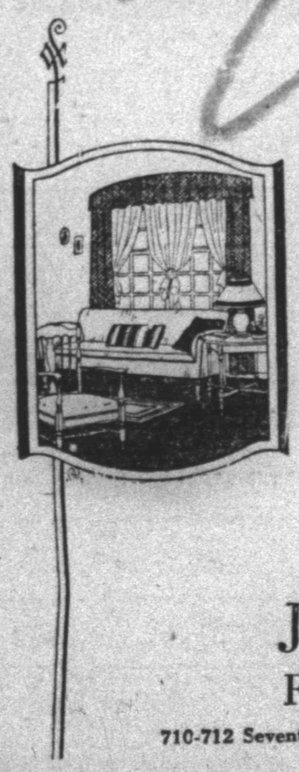
8 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 5th, I am starting a Class for Ladies in Physical Culture.

4:30 p. m. Wednesday, Jan. 6th, I am starting a Class for Children in Classical Dancing.

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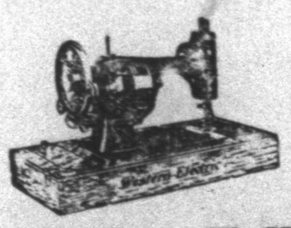
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MELLON'S VIEW OF '26 BRIGHT

Improved Conditions At Home and Abroad, Recounted By Him

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Improving conditions, both at home and abroad, during the past year justify the belief that 1926 will see continued progress toward world stabilization in the view of Secretary Mellon.

"The year just closed," the secretary said today, "has been a fortunate one for this country. There has been a steady improvement in general economic conditions which has been reflected in the government's finances. The treasury shows a comfortable surplus which is not only available for reduction in taxes, but affords an opportunity for placing the tax system on a sound basis.

"The past year has also seen important developments in Europe. The funding agreements which have been reached by this country with the foreign debtor nations will have far-reaching results and already there are signs of improving conditions abroad which inspire confidence for the future and justify us in the belief that the year ahead of us will see continued progress toward world stabilization."

Day of Comfort Set for DeMolays

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—Members of the Order of DeMolay throughout the world will observe Sunday, (January 3), as DeMolay day of comfort. This is an annual obligatory day of this young mens' organization and its object is to continue the Christmas spirit on into the New Year.

Frank S. Land, Grand Scribe of the order, has issued a proclamation from its headquarters in this city, asking that DeMolays provide entertainment and refreshment for the inmates of hospitals, old folks homes, orphanages, homes for crippled children, old soldiers' homes, county farms, detention homes, reform schools and sanitariums This will be the seventh annual observance of this day by DeMolays. According to Mr. Land, many persons, young and old, have taken a new grip on life as a result of these visits.

The Department of Agriculture announces that there is no basis whatsoever for the rather persistent rumors that it intends to remove or modify the restrictions on the entry of potatoes from countries invaded by the potato wart disease.

Burk Youth Holds Prize Fellowship in A. and M.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two of the most promising and interesting students of the Texas A. & M. graduate school here are holders of fellowships. E. L. Gibson, Burkburnett, holds the Texas Portland Cement fellowship, and V. R. Smitham, Rockwall, the fellowship given each year by the department of civil engineering.

Gibson is 23 years old and received his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from this college last June. During his four years of undergraduate work he made a splendid record. This year he is specializing in general construction work, placing special emphasis on the relation of concrete to structural work. After receiving his master's degree in June, 1926, he plans to enter the employ of the Texas Portland Cement company.

Unlike Gibson, Smitham had 10 years of practical experience in engineering before he decided to come back to school and take more specialized work. He graduated from the department of mechanical engineering of Texas A. & M. college in 1915. The first five years after he left school were spent in railway engineering, particularly construction work.

The next five years he was engaged in highway and city engineering work, having served for a time as county engineer of Rockwall. He is particularly interested in problems of city management and the newly created department of city engineering was a strong factor in bringing him back. He is 32 years old.

John McCormack To Sing Across Ocean by Radio

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Arrangements virtually are completed for the international broadcasting program tomorrow night of John McCormack and Lucrezia Bori in America and the chimes of "Big Ben" in London.

Starting at 6:30 p. m., eastern standard time, the program will continue until after 11:30. The British Broadcasting company will rebroadcast to Great Britain and over to the continent where German stations will aid in the distribution.

News dispatches, which will be specimens of the world wide work of the Associated Press, will be broadcast as part of the test.

The chimes of "Big Ben" in London will be heard between 6:45 and 7:30 and McCormack will sing between 9 and 10:30. The American broadcasting will end with the chimes of the Park Avenue Baptist church between 10:30 and 11:30.

FURNITURE SHOW WILL OPEN IN CHICAGO JAN. 4.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—January the fourth marks the opening of the annual winter furniture show at the American Furniture Hart where the latest creations of America's premier furniture craftsmen will be exhibited to the 10,000 retailers who come to Chicago from every state in the union and many foreign countries.

There are today over 775 separate exhibits in the world's largest building. Leaders in every line display their products in natural home surroundings where the visiting dealer may see the furniture as it will appear in the homes of his community.

DR. LIBERTY HYDE BAILEY HEADS SCIENTISTS ASSN.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, former dean of the school of agriculture at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., was today elected president of the American association for the advancement of science in annual convention here. Dr. Bailey will assume office next December when the association convenes at Philadelphia.

LAND SINKS AS OIL IS REMOVED

Texas Geologist Brings News Of Strange Phenomena To Scientists

KANSAS CITY Dec. 31—(AP)—The only knewn case of a depression of land caused by removal of subterranean liquid substance was described here today by Dr. E. H. Sellards, University of Texas geologist, speaking at the convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Since the discovery of the Goose creek oil field near Houston, Texas, in 1908, Dr. Sellards declared 100,000,000 barrels of oil and water have been extracted with the result that the land sank as much as three feet. The depressed area is nearly two miles square and a part of it is entirely submerged. The geologist pointed out that oil in the Goose creek section had been pumped from the sand and not from a pool.

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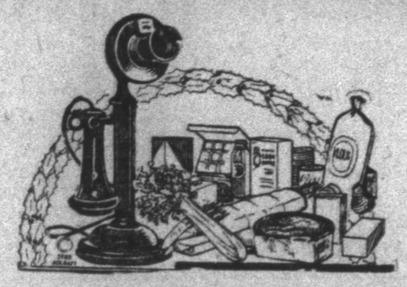
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