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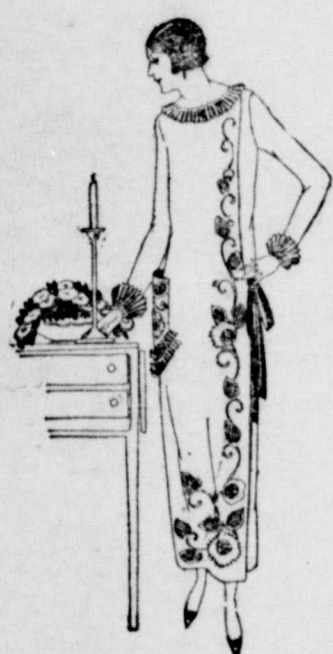
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PRE-INVENTORY AND CHRISTMAS SALE

Ends Monday Night, December 24th

New and More Astounding Values Add Much Interest

Never before have we thrown our entire stock on the market at such reductions right in the heart of the buying season. By doing so we have been able to re-buy many items at a figure much lower than the cost of manufacture and these wonderful purchases are being passed right on to the buying public. The remainder of this sale will be remembered for months to come for its supreme offerings.



Purchase Extraordinary Of Womens Coats and Dresses at a Saving from 1-3 to 1-2

In addition to our present stock of high grade Ready-to-Wear, we have made an extraordinary purchase of Coats and Dresses, in last minute styles, at a price very much lower than the cost of manufacture, enabling us to offer them to you at less than original wholesale cost. You will profit by this lucky purchase. See them early.

The Dresses

Most all wanted materials and styles of silk and wool.

\$12.00 to \$13.50 Dresses	\$7.50
at	
\$18.50 to \$27.50 Dresses	\$13.50
at	
\$32.50 to \$40.00 Dresses	\$19.50
at	

Others at lower prices.

The Suits

Your Unrestricted Choice

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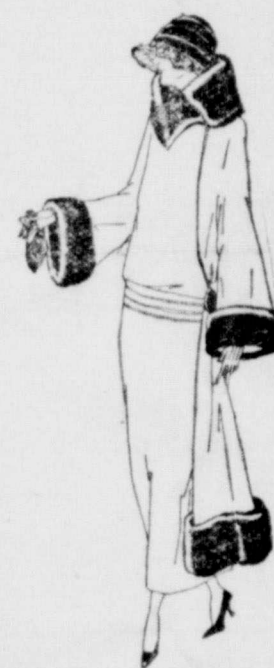
Regular Price.

Priced Regularly at
\$16.50 to \$50.00

The Coats

Lovely new materials and styles, including extra sizes.

\$13.50 Coats	\$7.50
at	
\$21.50 Coats	\$11.50
at	
\$24.00 Coats	\$16.50
at	
\$30.00 Coats	\$21.50
at	
\$45.00 Coats	\$24.50
at	



Attention Men!

Here are high grade Suits and Overcoats from manufacturers such as Schloss Bros., Kincaid & Kimball and other best known manufacturers of high grade clothing, at prices greatly under inferior grades. Our personal guarantee is behind every garment.

Three-Piece All-Wool Suits

\$18.00 to \$20.00 Suits	\$13.00
\$25.00 Suits	\$15.00
\$27.00 to \$30.00 Suits	\$17.00
\$35.00 Suits	\$23.00
\$37.00 to \$40.00 Suits	\$24.00
\$40.00 to \$50.00 Suits	\$28.00

Men's and Boy's Overcoats

\$7.00 Overcoats	\$4.00
\$11.00 Overcoats	\$6.00
\$14.00 Overcoats	\$8.00
\$15.00 Overcoats	\$9.00
\$20.00 Overcoats	\$14.00
\$25.00 Overcoats	\$17.00
\$32.00 Overcoats	\$19.00

Boy's Long Trouser Suits

\$15.00 grades, sizes 32 to 34, sale price	\$9.00
\$17.00 to \$22.00 grades, sizes 30 to 34, sale price	\$11.00

Boy's Knicker Suits With Two Pair Trousers

This group includes all wanted sizes in durable wool materials, values to \$9.00, more than 200 at this one price, only **\$6.00**

Hi-Lo Sun Fast Felt Hats

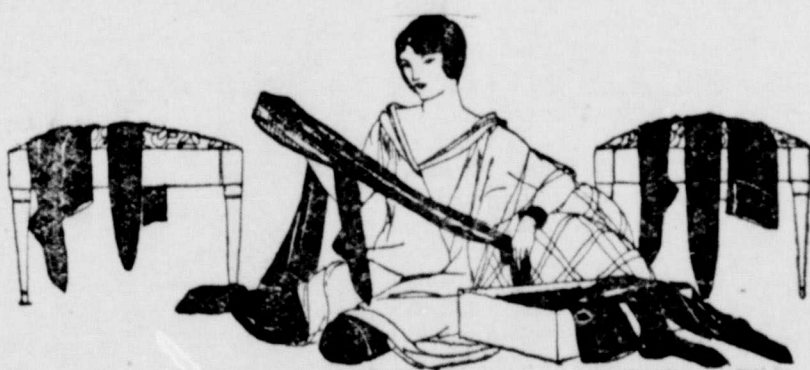
These include both staple and new novelty shapes in plain, scratch felts and velours. Hi-Lo Hats can only be had at this store and both ourselves and the manufacturer give you an absolute guarantee of fast color and satisfactory wear.

\$4.50 grade Hats, sale price	\$3.75
\$6.00 to \$7.00 grade Hats, sale price	\$4.75
7.00 staple shapes	\$4.85
Novelty scratch felts	\$1.25
Silk lined scratch felts, regularly \$5.00, sale price	\$3.25
Group Hats and Caps, all grades, choice	\$5.00

Extra special prices on Campus and Sure-Fit Caps.

Belted Rubberized Raincoats For Boys \$2.45 For Men \$3.45

Exceptional values in tight woven, belted models, made of rubberized cloth, extremely serviceable.



Silk Hosiery Acceptable Gifts

Such well known brands as Onyx, Cadet, Wunderhose and others, in all new shades.

Cadet silks in individual Xmas boxes, chiffon and medium weights, the pair	\$2.25
Onyx "Pointex," in all new colors, two weights, the pair during Christmas and Pre-Inventory Sale, at	\$2.10
Dependon full fashioned silks in all colors, regularly \$2.25, the pair	\$1.85
Lady Betty fashioned silks, brown and black only, the pair	89c
Lenox fibre silks in gray, brown and black, the pair, during this sale	45c

Clearance On All Women's Shoes

Our large and complete stock is yet unbroken and most all wanted styles are included, such as suedes in all wanted colors; lovely new effects in satin; and serviceable oxfords in kid or calf, such well known brands as Queen Quality, Cahill, Beacon and others.

Large group carried over styles, all grades, the pair, during sale	89c
Large selection of high grade Pumps, Straps and Oxfords, every one a this season style, worth more than double, the pair, now	\$2.95
Newest Queen Quality novelties, values to \$9.00, the pair, during Christmas Sale, only	\$5.95
Cahill oxfords in black or brown, regularly \$7.50 to \$9.00, the pair	\$3.95
Newest shades suede straps and sport oxfords, all new, the pair, only	\$3.85

Beautiful Furs!

Handsome Scarfs and Chokers in Stone Marteen, Fox, Wolf, Mink, Lynx and others, enormously reduced. Wise shoppers, don't miss these:

\$6.00 Furs reduced to	\$3.45
\$10.00 Furs reduced to	\$5.85
\$11.00 to \$12.00 Furs reduced to	\$8.45
\$15.00 Furs reduced to	\$9.85
\$21.00 Furs reduced to	\$12.85
\$25.00 Furs reduced to	\$16.85
\$27.00 to \$28.00 Furs reduced to	\$17.85
\$32.50 Furs reduced to	\$19.45

Woolen, Silk and Cotton Goods

Fancy Woolens, regularly \$3.00 and \$3.25	\$2.49
All Wool Serge, regularly \$2.50, yard	\$1.49
Poiret Twill, 48 inches wide, regularly \$3.50 and \$3.00, the yard, during sale	\$2.49
Wool Crepe, 40 inches wide, regularly \$2.75, yard	\$1.98
Wool Shepherds Checks, 42 inches wide, regularly \$2.25, the yard, during this sale at	\$1.69
Wool Serge, wanted colors, regularly \$1.50 to \$1.25 the yard, during sale	79c
Messaline, regularly \$2.00, the yard	\$1.29
Taffeta, wanted shades, regularly \$2.25 to \$2.75, yard	\$1.19
Creme de Chine, and light weight cantons, regularly to \$2.50, the yard	\$1.49
Satin Back Canton, best quality, regularly to \$4.50, yard	\$2.69
Lingerie Cloth, beautifully figured, wanted shades, yard	.49c
Kimono Fleece, wanted figured colors, regularly 40c, yard	24c
Outing Flannel, heavy weight, 27 inch width, yard	15c
Outing Flannel, extra heavy, 27 inch width, yard	18c
Outing Flannel, extra heavy, 38 inches wide, yard	22c
Eden Romper Flannel, extra quality, regularly 30c, yard	19c
Gingham, 27 and 32 inch widths, excellent quality, yard	14c

Men's and Boy's Shoes

Solid leather scout Work Shoes for men, pair	\$1.75
Boys' dress Shoes in three wanted lasts, regularly sell for \$4.00, sale price	\$2.95
Men's solid leather vici kid comfort Shoes, plain and cap toe, extra value, pair	\$2.95
Men's Goodyear welts, including Officers' dress Shoes, many new styles, pair	\$3.50
High grade dress Shoes, regularly to \$6.00, all wanted styles, the pair	\$4.75
Highest grade dress Shoes to \$9.00 regularly, newest styles, most wanted lasts and leathers, pair	\$5.95

Men's All-Wool Flannel Shirts

A special purchase of Men's high-grade all-wool flannel Shirts, shown for the first time this week, including desirable checks and solid colors, positively the greatest value ever offered, more than five dozen, priced regularly at \$6.00 to \$7.00, choice of lot during sale at **\$2.95**

Men's Wool Trousers

Regular \$4.50 grades, sale price	\$3.25
Regular \$6.50 grades, sale price	\$4.50

School Notes

Senior Christmas Tree

On Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Maddox, the Seniors were entertained with a Christmas tree. At 7:30 a great number of the Seniors and members of the faculty came dressed in "kid" attire. Much laughter was had as each guest came in and presented himself in a bashful manner.

Games of childhood days were engaged in throughout the evening. Music was another enjoyable event of the evening. Several solos by Oscar Schott were enjoyed as well as the Spanish songs given by Mr. Morris.

A knock was heard at the door and old Santa Claus entered and distributed the presents from the beautiful little tree. Much fun was had during the presenting of the various comical presents. Fruit and candy was received by each Senior.

More games were played and then at a late hour ice cream

cones were served to the kiddies. The merry crowd departed declaring the occasion a charming one and everyone would see Santa next Christmas provided they were good children.

Senior Banquet

Another enjoyable event of this season was a banquet given by the Seniors at the Nash Hotel. The dining room was artistically decorated in the Senior colors and flowers. Very quaint favors marked each plate. After the elegant supper, each Senior gave a short speech on some subject offered or just an expression of the delightful time spent that evening.

Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets

"I have frequently used Chamberlain's Tablets during the past three years, and have found them splendid for headache and bilious attacks. I am only too pleased, at any time, to speak a word in praise of them," writes Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt, Rockport, N. Y.

Save money on your ammunition at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

LOCAL PASTORS TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS

The Charity Board has set aside \$200 to be used in supplying the Christmas cheer for the children of this city who perhaps would not otherwise come in contact with Santa Claus, and the Charity Board has asked the local pastors' association to serve as Santa Claus.

If the pastors accept the work of distributing gifts to the needy children, it will be their duty to canvass the city, locate the children who are being neglected in such matters, ascertain their needs and then supply them as far as possible with the funds available.

This is the work heretofore done by the Goodfellows Club, and which was also handled by the pastors very successfully last Christmas. Conditions are much better here than a year ago, and there are no doubt fewer cases of charity than for many years.

The Charity Board is short \$150 in the drive for funds with which to carry on the work, but there are many who have not been solicited. It is the desire of the board that this amount be placed in the treasury, and those wishing to make a contribution to charity work should do so at once.

A Good Thing—DON'T MISS IT.

Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchial "flu" and whooping coughs, and tickling throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gassy pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Salve, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles, and skin affections; these valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it.

EARLY TEXAS SETTLEMENT WAS NEAR TOWN OF JASPER

(By Associated Press)
JASPER, Tex., Dec. 17.—Through the aid of civic societies and old residents of Jasper county, records have just been revealed showing that one of the earliest settlements in Texas was established near here by John Bevil and a colony of wealthy Kentuckians more than 145 years ago.

The John Bevil league embraced the site of the present town of Jasper and covered much of the territory since built by a group of industries including lumber, agriculture and manufacturing. The place was once known as "Bevil Port," but this cognomen was dropped in 1834 when the town of Bevil was incorporated.

As early as 1773, the records show, several families had settled just across the Sabine river in what later became Nacogdoches. Stephen H. Everett, Geo. W. Smythe, both signers of the Texas declaration of independence, together with Wyatt Hanks, Thomas Holmes, John H. Blunt and John Bevil were among the early settlers.

John Henry Kirby, of Houston, formerly a Tyler county attorney, but now a millionaire, was one of the first to see the extent of the timber properties and it was he who caused the first railroad to be constructed into the section.

Today, the banking resources of Jasper county total more than \$1,500,000. Farm lands are cheap, probably due to difficulty in preparing them for service in raising crops, but "the friendliness of the people more than makes up for the hardships," Jasper citizens will tell the visitor.

CATARRH

Catarrh is a local disease greatly influenced by constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which gives Quick Relief by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces and assists in ridding your System of Catarrh. Sold by druggists for over 40 Years. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

We serve Hot Coffee with our good Sandwiches. The Alceve. 17-1fd

Miss Thelma Bigby came in from Irion county Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bigby, of the Pony Creek community. Miss Bigby is teaching in Irion county and is attending the institute here this week.

France's invasion of Germany is admittedly for coin-quest.

Gifts



For Him

- ROYAL EASY RECLINING CHAIR
- BIG COMFORTABLE ROCKER
- SMOKING SET
- BOOK CASE
- NEW COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONE
- NEW SIMMONS ALL-STEEL BED
- COMFORTABLE SPRINGS
- SEALY MATTRESS
- WARDROBE TRUNK
- MEDICINE CHEST
- OFFICE DESK
- REVOLVING DESK CHAIR
- WASTE BASKET
- DESK LAMP
- OIL HEATER
- AUTO CAMP TENT
- FOLDING CANVAS COT
- CHIFFOROB
- SMALL RUGS

Extra Special

First Six (6) White Rotary Sewing Machines purchased before Christmas, your choice of large Reed Sewing Cabinet, or a Sewing Rocker of real quality. "LISTEN!"

You can only sit comfortable and erect when using the New

WHITE

SIT STRAIGHT MACHINE

No person having any occasion to use a sewing machine can afford to overlook this important matter. The sitting position you occupy is a big factor to your general health, and this is especially true of women and young girls.

This very important change has been accomplished without disturbing or detracting from the symmetry of design or the practical working of the machine.



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Ballinger, Texas.

For

- SUPERFLEX Asbestos Lined Cabinet
- HOOSIER KITCHEN PORCELAIN TOILET KITCHEN BREAKFAST Gray and Blue Ivory and Black DINING ROOM SERVING BED ROOM LIVING ROOM RUGS AND WHITE ROT REED SEWING Gray and FERN GATE L END NIGHT SEWING LIVING ROOM FLOOR BRID SA-VO FLOW BOO FRU DU MAGNETIC LINOLEUM REED DAY BED In Frosted Mahogany

CONGO CHINA WOOD AND COOK

It is the spirit desire to select the very choices ford.

Nothing can ate than some article of Furniture



TODAY MAEROY THEATRE TODAY

SHOWING THE PICK O' THE PICTURES

Tuesday and Wednesday

Mystery, Intrigue, Romance—it has them all and the thrills of a thousand pictures packed in one—an American Pirate story.

William Fox

presents

"The Eleventh Hour"

—up-to-the-minute melodrama of love and pirates
—with Charles Jones and Shirley-Mason.

Admission 10c and 40c



Good Things To Eat

The one big event of the day is the Christmas Dinner, so you want it to be as near perfect as possible. One of the first things to do then, is to come here to choose your Groceries.

Jubilee Flour
Chase & Sanborn Coffee
Tea Garden Preserves
Nuts, Candies, and Fruits.

When Santa Claus comes you will need lots of things from the Grocery Store—come to see us.

Currie Mercantile Co.



FATHER AND DAUGHTER DIE IN GAS FIRE

(By Associated Press)

KENRIDGE, Dec. 17.—W. Saxton, age 40; and daughters, Mrs. E. B. age 20; and Miss Alive age 15, are dead, and little hope held out for recovery of another daughter, Saxton, age 11, as the result of a fire which destroyed the home near here Saturday. Saxton and her daughters wearing clothes with gasoline on them, and fire followed, engulfing the mother and her flames and burning them so that death resulted.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Mother's Favorite soothing and healing prop- erty of Chamberlain's Cough y, its pleasant taste and t and effective cures have it a favorite with people here. It is especially by mothers of young child- r colds, croup and whoop- ough, as it always affords relief and is free from and other harmful drugs.

ERICK FOLKS RAISE CELEBRITY FUND FOR SCHOOL

Erick citizens believe in do- ings right when they put at an undertaking for the ng up of that community, he Maevick teacher's home he school grounds will be ved as the result of an en- ment and box supper at Maverick Friday night. nice sum of \$178 was rel from the sale of boxes, and the contests put on for the popular girl and the ugliest In the popular girl contest Callie Wygle won, and a Marshall carried off the s for being the ugliest man. e present was presented to Wygle, and Mr. Marshall re- d a box of cigars.

Get Your Christmas Apples

um now unloading a full ear en Davis and Jonathan Ap- an the Wilke buildings near a Fe depot. Prices reason-

W. F. DAVIS

DOCTOR SWEARS FOX IS INSANE

(By Associated Press) ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 17.—Dr. S. Swint, alienist, was turned r to the prosecuting attorneys cross examination when the d of Phillip E. Fox, charged h murder in connection with death of William S. Coburn, s resumed today. Dr. Swint testified at the trial turday on direct examination t after giving Fox a mental t he adjudged him to be a ranoiac, and expressed it as his inion that Fox killed Coburn ile under a delusion.

ARM LABOR UNION MEETS

(By Associated Press) TEXARKANA, Dec. 17.—The tional convention of the Farm- bor Union of America conven- today for a general discussion he agricultural problems as ey affect the labor situation in e Southern states. The open- session was devoted to for- alities incident to the organiza- on of the convention.

IMRODS REPORT DUCKS PLENTIFUL

Local hunters who have been in ae field the past few days re- ort that ducks are now more lentful in this country than hey have been this season. The ecent cold snap and the abun- dnce of water in this section ac- ounts for the presence of the irds it is said.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eason were lewn from Winters Monday look- ng after business and meeting he school teachers who are here attending the institute.

MAKING CANVASS CHARITY CASES

The City Pastors Association was in session a short time Mon- day morning, accepting the duties placed upon them by the United Charity Board of playing Santa Claus for the needy families of this city.

The charity board has set aside \$200.00 to supply Christmas gifts for the poor children of the city, and the substantial for the adults who are in need of help to make Christmas cheer in as many homes as possible.

The pastors have set about to carry out the work and are solici- ting the aid of the citizenship of the city. The pastors will canvass the districts assigned them, but it is possible that they may overlook some worthy cases, and those who know of families in distress should get in touch with the pastor who has charge of the district in which such family is residing, and report the matter, in order that all may be cared for.

In order that the work may be done in the quickest time possi- ble and systematically, the pas- tors have divided the city into wards, or districts, and each pastor assigned to a certain district. The needy families will be located, an inventory of their immediate needs made, and help rendered accordingly. Orders will be issued for groceries, cloth- ing, or such articles as the ob- jects of charity need, and the merchants will accept the orders, honoring them for the amount of merchandise they call for, and the charity board will issue checks to the merchants to cover the amount of the orders. Mer- chants who give part merchandise and a balance in cash in exchange for orders will be doing so at their own risk, as the charity board will not refund any cash paid out on the orders—they are good for merchandise only. The committee will distribute cash where cash is needed and where it is deemed more ad- visable to donate cash than mer- chandise.

Dr. Alvin Swindell will look after the entire Mexican charity needs of the city. Rev. E. D. Messer will have charge of all territory South of the Santa Fe railroad and North of the river. Rev. Alfred Crager will play Santa Claus for the poor children in the district between Third Street and Broadway. Rev. E. W. McLaurin will be the Santa Claus for that part of the city lying between Broadway and Ninth Street. Rev. R. B. Twitty will canvass the territory from Ninth to Twelfth streets, and supply the needs of the poverty stricken in that district. Rev. E. W. Bridges will visit South Ballinger and get a line-up on the homes where Santa Claus is needed.

CURTAIN GOES UP AT 8:00 O'CLOCK TONIGHT
The American Legion show, "All Muddled Up," will start promptly at 8:00 o'clock tonight. The doors open at 7:00, the over- ture is rendered at 7:45 and the curtain goes up at 8:00. Be in your seat if you hold a ticket and see one of the best entertain- ments ever staged here.

The Legion showed to an over- flow house this afternoon at the matinee performance. The teach- ers' institute recessed at 3:15 and the teachers occupied reserved seats, and a large crowd of child- ren and adults were lined up be- fore the theatre for an hour be- fore the doors opened.

INSURGENTS MAY ELECT DEMOCRAT

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The republican insurgent bloc, whose revolt against the party leaders has delayed for two weeks a complete organization of the 68th Congress, stood its ground today in the Senate. The insurgent group is still holding out against the re-election of Chairman Cummins, and is threatening to throw its entire strength tomorrow to Senator Smith, democrat, from South Carolina, and this would elect Smith.

HORACE OLIVER, WHO IS TEACHING SCHOOL AT ROTAN, IS SPENDING THE HOLIDAYS WITH HOME FOLKS.

MOVIES

"THE ELEVENTH HOUR" AT MAEROY TOMORROW

Running the gamut of melo- dramatic thrills, "The Eleventh Hour," adapted by William Fox from Lincoln J. Carter's stage success, will be the feature attraction at the Maeroy Theatre tomorrow and Wednesday, two days only.

This exciting production stars Charles Jones and Shirley Mason. In the supporting cast are June Elvidge and Alan Hale.

From every standpoint the screen version is said to surpass the legitimate presentation. The limitless expanse of development possessed by the screen gave Lin- coln J. Carter new inspiration for more startling thrill-stunts.

One of the most striking and breath-abating stunts effected in this production, is the shooting of Charles Jones and Shirley Mason through the torpedo tubes of a submerged submarine. Equally amazing is Jones' battle with lions. There is much excitement provided by the daring of Miss Mason. She hangs over a huge vat of liquid iron to escape the unwelcome attentions of the Prince. Her dive into the ocean from a high precipice is said to be another hair-raiser.

It's lunch time from 7:30 a. m. till 9:00 p. m. at The Alceve. 17-td

GLADYS WALTON PLAYS NEW ROLE

A few years ago Gladys Wal- ton, famous Universal screen beauty, was doing aquatic stunts for a motion picture company. Doing very well at it, too, for her work attracted considerable attention, and soon she was given opportunities in more important parts.

She is a wonderful swimmer and diver and still spends a great deal of her time in a swim- ming pool when she is away from the studio, at Universal City, where she is under contract.

When she was shown a work- ing script for "The Wild Party," her latest starring vehicle, which is being shown today and Tues- day at the Fox-theatre, she gave a joyous exclamation.

"Hurray! Look what I have to do!" she said. She pointed to a sequence in the play calling for several swim- ming and diving stunts.

Herbert Blache, director of the Walton unit, mistook her enthus- iasm.

"Don't worry about that," he said. "We can easily arrange a

Theford's
BLACK- DRAUGHT
Liver
Medicine
(Vegetable)

double for you in those scenes." But Gladys didn't want a dou- ble and for a week preceding the starting of production on the film she practiced all kinds of swimming and diving stunts.

Closing out our stock of Shot Gun Shells at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

MILES PERSONALS

Special to The Ledger: MILES, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Ray B. Johnston and children are visit- ing friends in San Angelo this week-end.

Miss Nannie Scott is here from Coleman to visit her mother, Mrs. R. M. Scott.

Mrs. Lee Clarke has returned from Belton where she visited her parents for several days.

H. J. Askin was in Rowena Sat- urday on business.

Wendell Jennings left Satur- day for Austin to spend the hol- idays with relatives.

Charlie Hart and sons were in Ballinger Saturday on business.

Elmer Johnson and Misses Gladys Fowler and Ethel Pittman were Ballinger visitors Saturday.

TOWELS
Plain and Fancy
Big stock now on our shelves.
TOYLAND
is now open in our store. Bring the Kiddies to see the many Christmas toys we have on display.
THE GLOBE
A. S. Love, Prop.
Old Santa Claus will be at our store every Saturday afternoon from now until Christmas.

ABILENE-WACO GAME AT DALLAS

(By Associated Press)

FT. WORTH, Dec. 17.—The football game between Waco and Abilene high school teams, which will decide the state champion- ship, will be played in Dallas Friday. The date and place was decided upon at a meeting of interested parties here today.

Abilene defeated Wichita Falls at Abilene last Friday, winning the championship of high schools in the Northwest Texas district, and Waco defeated Beaumont Saturday winning the Southwest district championship, and the game at Dallas Friday will de- cide the winners for the state in the high school class.

Mrs. Mattie Holliday returned home Sunday from Winters, where she had been spending the week with her son, David Holli- day, and family.

MANY SCHOOL TEACHERS DETRAIN HERE SUNDAY

It isn't often that it requires longer for the passengers to de- train at Ballinger than it does for the expressmen to load and un- load the express, but such was the case Sunday afternoon. The East bound Santa Fe brought a large number of teachers who arrived here to spend the week in the Concho-Colorado Valley Institute. Aside from Rannels county practically all the teach- ers attending the institute come from the West, Rannels county being the Eastern border county of the district comprising the institute. Quite a crowd gather- ed at the station to welcome the teachers, some of those who had opened their homes to the teach- ers being at the depot to meet them. County Superintendent Bugg and Secretary Motley of the Y. M. B. L. had their hands full in assigning the teachers to their boarding places.

Mrs. Theo. Mathieson and daughter were shopping in Bal- linger Saturday.

Christmas Baked Goods

Everything you will need in baked goods for the Christmas dinner is here in plenty. Just phone us your needs and we will see that delivery is made as you wish.

Fruit Cakes

We have them all sizes or will sell you any amount. Special orders taken for delivery any time before Christmas.

Ballinger Steam Bakery

W. V. Connelly, Prop.

TONIGHT "ALL MUDDLED UP"

Overture 7:45 Curtain 8:00 Sharp

NEW IDEA IN GIFTS

If you wish to give a Gift to one near and dear to you, something that will always be appreciated and not cast aside when a little worn or old, if you really care to show your love or friendship, buy the gift of Eyesight through Doctors B. and Jack Kahn, Optometrists—Glasses.

Here is how you give this wonderful Gift. Come shopping at our offices on the ground floor of the C. A. Dooze building. We will tell you the cost of the various lenses and frames suitable for the party you have in mind. We have Christmas certi- ficates on which the names to whom the present is given and whom the gift is from. The price of these Christmas certificates for Glasses range from \$7.50 to \$25.00. You need not bring the party you intend giving this gift at the time of the purchase, but can keep it a secret until Christmas if you wish.

After you have given your gift to Mother or Dad, Grandmother or Grandfather, Daughter or Son, they then come to our offices at any time for their examination. We examine their eyes thoroughly and fit and adjust the glasses as the condition of their eyes calls for. Our usual competent and courteous optical service will be shown each receiver of these gifts.

This is a plan that is being used by up to date registered optometrists throughout the country. It's a huge success and the thought behind this gift will be as much appreciated by your loved ones as the actual benefit derived from Doctors B. and Jack Kahn, Optometrists, correct glasses.

School Notes

Senior Christmas Tree

On Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Maddox, the Seniors were entertained with a Christmas tree. At 7:30 a great number of the Seniors and members of the faculty came dressed in "kid" attire. Much laughter was had as each guest came in and presented himself in a bashful manner.

Games of childhood days were engaged in throughout the evening. Music was another enjoyable event of the evening. Several solos by Oscar Schott were enjoyed as well as the Spanish songs given by Mr. Morris.

A knock was heard at the door and old Santa Claus entered and distributed the presents from the beautiful little tree. Much fun was had during the presenting of the various comical presents. Fruit and candy was received by each Senior.

More games were played and then at a late hour ice cream

cones were served to the kiddies. The merry crowd departed declaring the occasion a charming one and everyone would see Santa next Christmas provided they were good children.

Senior Banquet

Another enjoyable event of this season was a banquet given by the Seniors at the Nash Hotel. The dining room was artistically decorated in the Senior colors and flowers. Very quaint favors marked each plate. After the elegant supper, each Senior gave a short speech on some subject offered or just an expression of the delightful time spent that evening.

Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets

"I have frequently used Chamberlain's Tablets during the past three years, and have found them splendid for headache and bilious attacks. I am only too pleased, at any time, to speak a word in praise of them," writes Mrs. Laura M. Hoyt, Rockport, N. Y.

Save money on your ammunition at reduced prices. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 13-5d-2w

LOCAL PASTORS TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS

The Charity Board has set aside \$200 to be used in supplying the Christmas cheer for the children of this city who perhaps would not otherwise come in contact with Santa Claus, and the Charity Board has asked the local pastors' association to serve as Santa Claus.

If the pastors accept the work of distributing gifts to the needy children, it will be their duty to canvass the city, locate the children who are being neglected in such matters, ascertain their needs and then supply them as far as possible with the funds available.

This is the work heretofore done by the Goodfellows Club, and which was also handled by the pastors very successfully last Christmas. Conditions are much better here than a year ago, and there are no doubt fewer cases of charity than for many years.

The Charity Board is short \$150 in the drive for funds with which to carry on the work, but there are many who have not been solicited. It is the desire of the board that this amount be placed in the treasury, and those wishing to make a contribution to charity work should do so at once.

A Good Thing—DON'T MISS IT.

Send your name and address plainly written together with 5 cents (and this slip) to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and receive in return a trial package containing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchial "flu" and whooping coughs, and tickling throat; Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for stomach troubles, indigestion, gassy pains that crowd the heart, biliousness and constipation; Chamberlain's Salve, needed in every family for burns, scalds, wounds, piles, and skin affections; these valued family medicines for only 5 cents. Don't miss it.

EARLY TEXAS SETTLEMENT WAS NEAR TOWN OF JASPER

(By Associated Press)
JASPER, Tex., Dec. 17.—Thru the aid of civic societies and old residents of Jasper county, records have just been revealed showing that one of the earliest settlements in Texas was established near here by John Bevil and a colony of wealthy Kentuckians more than 145 years ago.

The John Bevil league embraced the site of the present town of Jasper and covered much of the territory since built by a group of industries including lumber, agriculture and manufacturing. The place was once known as "Bevil Port," but this cognomen was dropped in 1834 when the town of Bevil was incorporated.

As early as 1773, the records show, several families had settled just across the Sabine river in what later became Nacogdoches. Stephen H. Everett, Geo. W. Smythe, both signers of the Texas declaration of independence, together with Wyatt Hanks, Thomas Holmes, John H. Blunt and John Bevil were among the early settlers.

John Henry Kirby, of Houston, formerly a Tyler county attorney, but now a millionaire, was one of the first to see the extent of the timber properties and it was he who caused the first railroad to be constructed into the section.

Today, the banking resources of Jasper county total more than \$1,500,000. Farm lands are cheap, probably due to difficulty in preparing them for service in raising crops, but "the friendliness of the people more than makes up for the hardships," Jasper citizens will tell the visitor.

CATARRH

Catarrh is a Local disease greatly influenced by Constitutional conditions. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which gives Quick Relief by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces and assists in ridding your System of Catarrh.

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We serve Hot Coffee with our good Sandwiches. The Alceve. 17-4fd

Miss Thelma Bigby came in from Irion county Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bigby, of the Pony Creek community. Miss Bigby is teaching in Irion county and is attending the institute here this week.

France's invasion of Germany is admittedly for coin-quest.

Gift Guide



For Him

ROYAL EASY RECLINING CHAIR
BIG COMFORTABLE ROCKER
SMOKING SET
BOOK CASE
NEW COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONE
NEW SIMMONS ALL-STEEL BED
COMFORTABLE SPRINGS
SEALY MATTRESS
WARDROBE TRUNK
MEDICINE CHEST
OFFICE DESK
REVOLVING DESK CHAIR
WASTE BASKET
DESK LAMP
OIL HEATER
AUTO CAMP TENT
FOLDING CANVAS COT
CHIFFOROB
SMALL RUGS

Extra Special

First Six (6) White Rotary Sewing Machines purchased before Christmas, your choice of large Reed Sewing Cabinet, or a Sewing Rocker of real quality.

"LISTEN!"

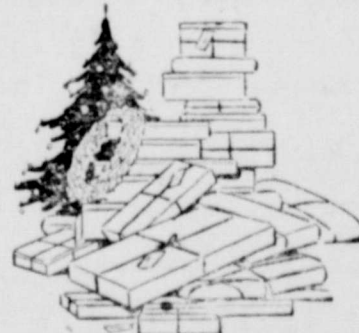
You can only sit comfortable and erect when using the New

WHITE

SIT STRAIGHT MACHINE

No person having any occasion to use a sewing machine can afford to overlook this important matter. The sitting position you occupy is a big factor to your general health, and this is especially true of women and young girls.

This very important change has been accomplished without disturbing or detracting from the symmetry of design or the practical working of the machine.



KING-HOLT

Ballinger, Texas.

For Her

SUPERFLEX OIL STOVE
Asbestos Lined Oven and Cabinet
HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINETS
PORCELAIN TOP WORK
KITCHEN STOOL
BREAKFAST ROOM SET
Gray and Blue Combination
Ivory and Black Combination
DINING ROOM SUITE
BUFFETS
SERVING TABLE
BED ROOM SUITE
LIVING ROOM SUITE
RUGS AND ART SQUARES
WHITE ROTARY SEWING MACHINES
REED SEWING MACHINE
Gray and Brown
FERN STAND
GATE LEG TABLE
END TABLES
NIGHT STANDS
SEWING ROCKERS
LIVING ROOM TABLE
FLOOR LAMP
BRIDGE LAMP
SA-VO FLOWER AND BOX
BOOK ENDS
FRUIT SETS
DUOFOLD
MAGNETIC HOUSE CLEANER
LINOLEUM FOR FLOOR
REED DAY BED AND ROCKERS
In Frosted Mahogany Finish color
CONGOLEUM RUGS
CHINA CLOSET
WOOD AND COAL RANGE
COOK STOVE

It is the spirit of Christmas desire to select for our loved ones the very choicest Gifts we can afford.

Nothing can be more appropriate than some useful and beautiful article of Furniture for the

TODAY MAEROY THEATRE TODAY

SHOWING THE PICK O' THE PICTURES

Tuesday and Wednesday

Mystery, Intrigue, Romance—it has them all and the thrills of a thousand pictures packed in one—an American Pirate story.

William Fox

presents

"The Eleventh Hour"

—up-to-the-minute melodrama of love and pirates
—with Charles Jones and Shirley-Mason.

Admission 10c and 40c



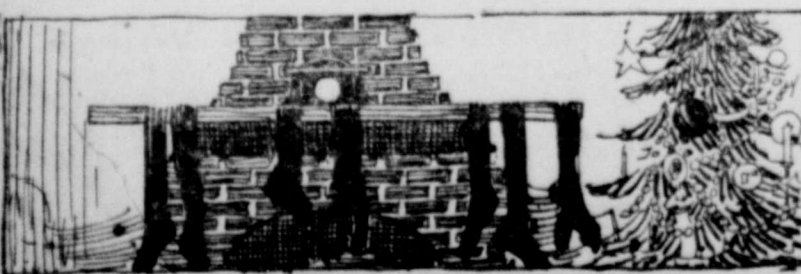
Good Things To Eat

The one big event of the day is the Christmas Dinner, so you want it to be as near perfect as possible. One of the first things to do then, is to come here to choose your Groceries.

Jubilee Flour
Chase & Sanborn Coffee
Tea Garden Preserves
Nuts, Candies, and Fruits.

When Santa Claus comes you will need lots of things from the Grocery Store—come to see us.

Currie Mercantile Co.



Suggestions



For Her

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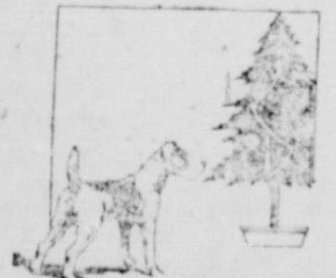
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For Them

PIANO LAMP
PIANO BENCH
CEDAR CHEST
POLYCHROME MIRROR
ROCKING CHAIRS
TELEPHONE STAND
COSTUMERS
PHONOGRAPH
NEW COLUMBIA
PROCESS RECORDS
Limited number of regular 75¢ Records for only 25¢. Christmas numbers are here.
VANITY DRESSER
DRESSING TABLE
WRITING DESK
BIRD CAGE
PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES
Assortment of Sizes, Polychrome Colors
BABY BUGGY
NEW KOZY-KAR
CHILD'S BED
CHILD'S ROCKER
COMPLETE DINING ROOM SUITE FOR KIDDIES
TABLE, SERVING TABLE, 4 CHAIRS
FLIVVERS FOR BOYS
DOLL BUGGIES
CHILD'S HIGH CHAIR
CLOTHES BASKET
PICTURES
WALKERS
JUMPERS
SULKIES

We will gladly tag and set aside any Gift left for you; and make delivery Christmas.



KING-HOLT

TEXAS FISH PRODUCTION SHOWS A BIG DECLINE

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 17.—Decrease in Texas fish production not counting oysters and shrimp, of 300,000 pounds from 1909 to this year is shown by tax collections in the Game, Fish and Oyster Department, according to a statement by the department. The last fiscal year, however, showed an increase of 200,000 pounds over the previous year, the report stated.

Texas is now importing more than half of its marine foods from other states, in the face of an increase in investment of 100 per cent in the period from 1908, the report indicated. A great increase in the cheaper varieties of fish, especially of drum, is noted by the statement, which declares the demand for sea fish is greater than ever because of the reported ruin of many inland stream fishing activities by industrial waste.

"The showing for coast fishing is far too low for the vastly increased facilities," the report said. "There is too great a production of the cheaper kinds of fish, especially drum, for the weak demand. In 1918 trout was second in production, according to the federal census, but recent reports from various dealers place it third, and according to reports from Corpus Christi, the ratio there has always been drum, redfish and trout. Texas imports more than half its marine foods from other states. Its central position makes it desirable that it should not only supply itself but other states as well."

In the 10 year period for which the latest figures were assembled the Gulf Coast states increased their production 13,500,000 pounds. The Texas increase was 2,000,000 from 1908 to 1918.

HORSE RACES EXTINCTION IN CENTURY SAYS SAVANT

(By Associated Press)
BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 17.—Statistics recently circulated stated that horses, in large measure freed, because of motor power, from the labors that made them beasts of burden, were increasing rather than diminishing in number. But now comes Professor E. L. Furlong, curator of the vertebrate collection at the University of California, with the prediction that the horse will be virtually extinct on the American continent in another century.

Professor Furlong is so confident of his supposition that he has started for posterity a collection of all modern specimens of the equine family. His collection will rest in the museum of paleontology, along with the bones of the three-toed horse and other prehistoric kin.

Recalling the dominating position of motor conveyances in the cities, Professor Furlong adds: "Daily the tractor and the automobile are taking the place of the horse in rural life. As the usefulness of the horse passes, so will the necessity for his existence. Before many years the use of a horse for the purposes with which he has been identified

since time immemorial will be a curiosity. In another hundred years you may find horses in zoos. I am sure you will not find them anywhere else."

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The Christmas Store

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CHOCOLATES for American Queens

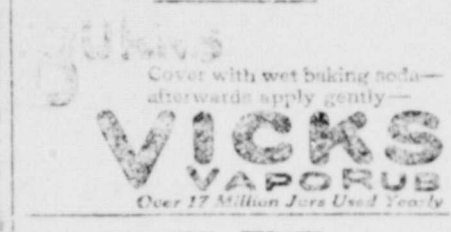
The Choicest Gift for CHRISTMAS

THE pleasurable sense of having given the choicest gift in the candy realm ever attends the presentation of a box of King's. Luscious fruits; nuts, freshly crisp; creams, delicately sweet and variably flavored are found exquisitely blended with richly good, velvety-smooth chocolate coatings. The gift inseparably associated with Christmas.



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NEW HOPE FOR SIGHTLESS

French Scientist Asserts That It Is Possible for Persons to See Through Their Skins.

A Frenchman has lately startled the world with the extraordinary theory that the sightless may yet see—through their skins!

The scientist is Doctor Farigoule and he points out that there is no scientific law which in itself opposes his theory that man may be made to see through his skin, even though he cannot do so with his eyes.

There is scientific proof that two creatures which have no eyes at all can yet see. These are the ordinary earthworm and a certain beetle which only comes out at night.

Many living things without eyes, or any apparatus corresponding to ears seem to have a fine sense of hearing. It is a well-known fact that our skin not only feels, but breathes, and to a certain extent does the same work as the kidneys in expelling waste matter. Doctor Farigoule states that the skin is an organ of sight, not as efficient as the eyes, but better than nothing.

It is not suggested that a man may close his eyes and suddenly see through his skin, but it is asserted that a man who cannot use his eyes may be trained to use his skin instead, and by this means distinguish colors and shapes and even read figures and letters.

Scientists are learning new things about the human skin every year, so that these wonders may yet come true.

LEGEND OF CYPRESS TREE

Mythology Has Many Interesting Stories Concerning It—May Have Been Used at Crucifixion.

The story mythology tells of the cypress tree is that Cyparissus, son of Telephus, while hunting one day accidentally killed one of Apollo's favorite stags. He became so filled with remorse at the mishap that he begged Apollo, his dearest friend, to put him out of his misery. The god compassionately metamorphosed him into a tree; hence its name. Its floral meanings are despair, mourning, or sorrow.

Cypress wood was used in the construction of St. Peter's gates at Rome. After eleven hundred years' use they were taken down, comparatively new, to be replaced by brass.

Cypress was said by some to have been the wood the cross was made from, while many refer to the material as hewn from oak; but the aspen is the more generally accepted as the wood used for the cross of the crucifixion.

According to the Missouri Botanical Bulletin, the oldest known tree in the world is a bald cypress growing in Santa Maria del Tula, Mexico. It is about 125 feet in circumference and from 4,000 to 6,000 years old.

Many Teachers Here for Fifth Annual Institute

With County Superintendent Jno. J. Bugg presiding, the fifth annual session of the Concho Colorado Teachers' Institute convened in Ballinger at 9:00 o'clock Monday morning. The session is being held in the new Baptist church, and the auditorium was filled with teachers and quite a number of local citizens who were present to assist in welcoming the teachers.

The institute opened with prayer by Dr. Alvin Swindell, followed by a musical selection with Miss Emma Alice Walker at the piano, accompanying Robert Lee Maddox with cornet and Oscar Schott with violin.

Dr. Swindell presented the new church to the teachers as a place in which to hold their sessions. He briefly outlined the construction of the handsome building and its convenient arrangement for such a meeting, and told the teachers that it gave the Baptist congregation a great deal of pleasure to have them meet in the new building. Dr. Swindell stated that Superintendent Bugg remarked to him when work began on the new building more than a year ago that he wanted to hold the 1923 teachers' institute in the new building when it was completed, and Dr. Swindell said that the promise was made at that time and is now being fulfilled. The building was constructed of native stone, all from the ground within the city limits and some of it from the basement of the building, and the total cost was only \$41,600.

Scott H. Mack delivered the welcome address in behalf of the Young Men's Business League. Mr. Mack told the teachers that he could not follow the old custom of extending to them the keys of the city, as there were no keys, but that the gates to this city weren't locked and that the latch string hangs on the outside. He told them that if they did not see what they wanted and that if things did not come their way and to suit them that the Y. M. B. L. had two secretaries to wait on them. Mr. Mack also presented the city to the visitors in its progressive program of commercial, civic, educational and religious life. He reminded the teachers that Ballinger was in one of the best agricultural counties in Texas, and the best agricultural county in West Texas, and called attention to the 45,000 bale cotton crop, and other resources which had made the county so prosperous this year.

J. C. Helms, superintendent of the Sterling City schools, responded to the address of welcome, and expressed for the teachers their great pleasure for

the opportunity of spending a week in Ballinger.

Superintendent Bugg made a number of announcements and at this juncture Stuart L. Williams appeared before the teachers and announced that the entire institute was to be the guest of the Ballinger merchants at a matinee Monday afternoon, and invited the teachers to attend the American Legion play, "All Muddled Up," which was to be staged at this time. Each teacher was presented with a ticket to the matinee as the guest of some firm or business man of this city.

The institute went into permanent organization with more than 350 teachers present, and others due to arrive. The county superintendents and superintendents of city schools attending the institute were presented, and it was indicated that all the counties comprising the district were well represented.

The various sections were assigned to rooms in the building, and the work of enrolling and registering by counties consumed the remainder of the forenoon session.

J. T. Bludworth, assistant state superintendent, was present when the institute convened and occupied a place on the program for the day. Mr. Bludworth discussed before the teachers the text book law, rural aid and permanent fund for the state teachers' association, and the enactment of a law providing compensation for teachers who attend an institute. Under the law it is now compulsory on the part of the teachers to attend institute, but no provision is made for paying them for the time, and while the attorney general has ruled that they shall receive pay, the comptroller could refuse and tie the matter up if he were so inclined to do. It is expected that the next legislature will remedy the defect in the law. The teachers should receive pay. Their expenses take about all they receive for the week spent in attending the institute.

The institute devoted most of the afternoon to departmental work, the different groups taking up the work in which they are most interested, coming together for general discussions, and for lectures from different speakers. The public is invited to visit the institute.

At 3:15 the institute recessed for the American Legion comedy presented at the Maeroy Theatre. The teachers will be the guests of

the Parent-Teacher Association Tuesday evening at a reception to be given at the American Legion hall.

When You are Constipated

To insure a healthy action of the bowels and correct disorders of the liver, take two of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. They will not only cause a gentle movement of the bowels, without unpleasant effects, but banish that dull, stupid feeling, that often accompanies constipation.

WINTERS NEWS

Special to The Ledger:

WINTERS, Dec. 16.—One of the largest real estate deals affected recently was completed yesterday. A. E. Griffith transferred his farm of 320 acres lying six miles North of Winters, to W. C. Evans for a consideration of \$100 per acre. At the same time W. H. Williams and J. W. Watkins transferred their farms to Mr. Evans. These farms lie 5 miles Southeast of Winters. Together they comprise 200 acres and were sold at \$90.00 per acre. Making in all a consideration of \$50,000. The trades were made by W. W. Rainwater and Judge A. O. Strother.

J. I. Weeks, of Lawn, Texas, died in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Geo. E. Seagler, of this city. Mr. Weeks had been sick for some time and had recently come to Winters that he might be near a physician. Unbounded sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

A flying squadron is scheduled to give a paid circus performance on Sunday (today). The Law Enforcement Committee and the churches have voiced a protest against the performance.

The streets were crowded with cars Saturday and there was a good trade in all lines.

Furs—Furs—Furs
Because of the light receipts of Furs in the St. Louis market there has been a slight advance in price. In my opinion furs are too high to hold for speculation. Better sell at once.

I. O. WOODEN,
17-4d-2w
Ballinger, Texas.

Before going hunting supply with ammunition at Jeanes & Co., at reduced prices.
13-5td-2w

REDUCTION of TAXATION

WILL NOT CURTAIL FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

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IN the current discussion of the proposals which Secretary of the Treasury Mellon makes for a reduction in the general burden of taxation, it is important that the real choice which the people have to make should be kept constantly in mind. There is no great difficulty in doing this, but, as in all discussions which are approachable from many points of view, there is a danger that attention will be directed to subsidiary matters rather than to the idea which is central National Budget Committee to the whole proposition.



JOHN T. PRATT
Chairman

The essential proposition will be more clearly defined if the assumptions upon which Mr. Mellon's suggestions are based are clearly understood. The first of these is that present methods of efficiency and economy in the management of the Government's business shall continue. There must be no return to slipshod, wasteful methods in administering the ordinary operations of the Government. In concluding that there will be a surplus of receipts over expenditures during the next few years Mr. Mellon and his assistants have taken it for granted that there will be some increase in Government activities. They do not propose to say that henceforth from this particular moment our Government shall cease to have its natural growth as an institution whose purpose is to serve the people. They have allowed for such growth in their calculations, but have doubtless figured that the cost of this growth will be less than in the past by reason of the constant application of better business methods. The decision therefore which is to be made with respect to the disposal

of the surplus does not affect the natural expansion of Government activities. The proposed reduction of \$332,000,000 in taxes can be made without curtailing present activities or refusing to undertake new ones which are really essential.

Another assumption is that there shall continue to be included in the estimated expenditures for each year an amount sufficient to insure an appreciable annual reduction in the total of proposed reductions can be made despite the fact that \$500,000,000 or more will be applied each year to the liquidation of this indebtedness to the American people. Our people are not asked to forego orders and notes which they hold in order that their tax bills may be reduced. They are to continue to receive Government payments while contributing less to the support of that Government.

Not only that, but sinking fund charges and other allotments of receipts are to reduce the principal of the public debt. Assured then of continued efficient service from the Government and of regular payment of interest, along with actual reduction of the debt total, the choice of the people lies entirely between a reduction of taxation and an extraordinary increase in the costs of Government. The question is simply whether we will have a number of new things done for us by the Government which are not imperatively necessary, or whether we prefer a substantial reduction in that part of our incomes which we now have to pay to the revenue collector.

NINE PERISH ON STRANDED SHIP; 8 MISSING

(By Associated Press)

MARCHFIELD, Oregon, Dec. 17.—A light is still visible this morning on the schooner C. A. Smith, which stranded on the jetty at the entrance of this harbor yesterday with a loss of nine lives.

Eight men who are believed to have been aboard the schooner when it went on the rocks, have not been rescued. Waves are breaking over the schooner from both sides and no vessel has been able to approach her.

My Place for Sale or Trade
For stock and plow tools and the rent of place for 1924. My place is on 10th Street, 1400 block. See me, I live on this place. D. B. Bellah. P. O. Box 234. 17-6d.*

We serve Hot Coffee with our good Sandwiches. The Alceve. 17-4td

Mrs. M. J. Stacy returned to her home Saturday afternoon, after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Doose.

A small want ad in The Daily Ledger often saves you money.

Freezing Weather Is Predicted

Why Worry?

Fill that Radiator with Denatured Alcohol and eliminate this worry for the season.

\$1 Per Gallon
J. Y. Pearce
Drug Co.
The Rexall Store
Phone 38.



That Christmas Gift for Him

We Would Suggest
SHIRTS
SILK UNDERWEAR
PAJAMAS
SCARFS
INITIAL BELT SETS
GLOVES
ALL WOOL HOSIERY
WOOL & SILK HOSIERY
ANYTHING IN ALL SILK HOSIERY.

We are showing the largest and most up to date line of Neckwear in Ballinger. If it is Neckwear we have it.

Give Him something to wear.

HARDIN AND CARR
Men's Wear That Men Wear
Cleaning and Pressing.

Phone 56
Plenty of Holly Wrapping Paper and Boxes.



BROTHERS MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 38 YEARS

T. L. Reams, of Tulare, California, is visiting his brother, R. R. Reams; and sister, Mrs. L. M. Bales, of the Hatchel country. They were in Ballinger Saturday.

When Mr. Reams arrived here last week to visit his brother and sister, it was like strangers meeting as they had not seen each other in thirty-two years, and since the California man left his old home in Tennessee, and went West. In fact the brothers and sister did not know the whereabouts of each other, having been separated for almost a third of a century.

Last summer Mr. Reams decided to return to his old home in

Tennessee, where he found another sister, and thru her he learned of the whereabouts of his Texas brother and sister, and after he returned to California he wrote to them, and last week the happy meeting took place.

The California brother is nearing his 70th mile post in life, and has raised a family of children, who have married and all have families.

It's lunch time from 7:30 a. m. till 9:00 p. m. at The Alceve. 17-4td

E. S. Kubela, of Rowena, was in Ballinger Saturday transacting business.

Ledger want ads pay.

Buy Useful Gifts

What is better or more useful than fine Stationery for Christmas Gifts? We have such reliable brands as Highland Line, Hammernill Bond, Loomcraft, Whittings Fine Linen, and Enchantment. In tints to suit every taste and untinted. Prices adjusted to anyone's bank account.

Conklin and Shaffer Fountain Pens in all styles. These are suitable for Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, Sweetheart and Friend.

Genuine Milano Pipes, Smoking Sets, Cigars in attractive Christmas packages. Give Him a carton of Chesterfields in the pretty Christmas wrapper.

We also have a fine selection of Christmas Tags, Seals, Tinsel and Ribbon. Colored Tissue Paper which makes your packages more attractive.

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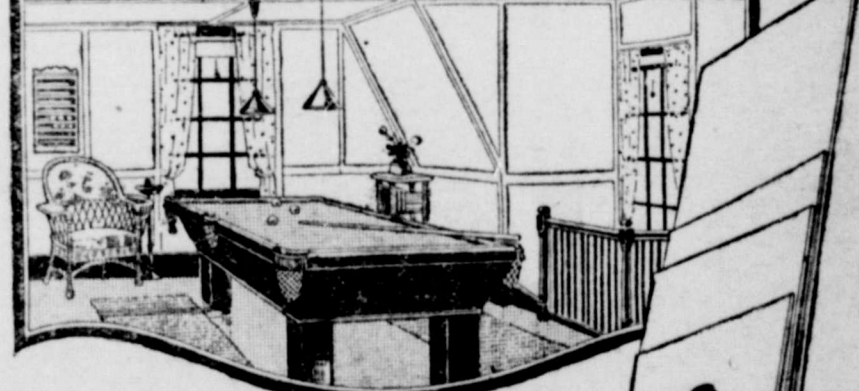
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Greet them with a smile and help to make the teachers who are our guests for the week, feel at home.

If the wet weather keeps up for another season, the people will rise up and build good roads in self defense. Here's hoping it will keep up, if such result will follow.

Abolishing booze and the dangerous fireworks at Christmas times has pushed the Southern people on a little higher plane of civilization. The two evils together took their toll in holidays gone by.

The Baptist people are due the thanks of the citizenship of Ballinger for throwing their new church open as an assembly hall for the teachers institute. The church, with its large auditorium and class rooms, makes an ideal meeting place for the teachers institute. This building is not only a credit to the city, but it is a big help in times of such needs.

Three rich brewers were convicted in a Northern city for making booze last week, and most any daily paper you pick up will tell you of convictions for violations of the liquor laws. Yet there are some fellows who have the appetite to stand up and tell you that the prohibition laws are a failure. Ask the fellow who has tried it, and is now doing service in the pen for selling a bottle of booze.

EATON TO MOVE TO LUBBOCK COUNTY

D. F. Eaton is at home from a week or ten days trip to the coast country and business visit to College Station. Mr. Eaton made the trip in an auto. He is busy rounding up his affairs and arranging to leave Ballinger about the first of the year. Mr. Eaton will be transferred to Lubbock county, having chosen that county out of a number of locations offered him. The Lubbock county farmers are fortunate in getting Mr. Eaton as farm agent, and Rannels county loses in the deal.

Before going hunting supply with ammunition at Jeanes & Co., at reduced prices. 13-5td-2tw

WEEK OPENS WITH HOLIDAY RUSH

The streets were crowded Monday, and after waiting for the weather to clear up, people throut the county and adjoining counties made a holiday rush on the local market. The stores were crowded with shoppers thruout most of the day, and local business men report a good business. The week before Christmas promises to be a record breaker for trading in the Ballinger market. This reflects the prosperous condition of the county.

TENNYSON COUPLE WEDS HERE SUNDAY

Dr. Alvin Swindell spoke the words at the Baptist church at high noon Sunday which united in matrimony M. H. Houston and Miss Alice Jones, of the Tennyson country. The young folks were accompanied by a party of friends and relatives. They will make their home a few miles North of Ballinger in the New Home community.

W. B. Claunch, of Waco, arrived on the noon Santa Fe to spend the holidays with the Van Pelt family.

REBELS CLAIM GAIN IN MEXICO

(By Associated Press)
(Undated)—President Obregon, according to meagre dispatches from Mexico, has completed the organization of the Western federal forces, and has turned his attention to the East where the rebel thrust is apparently threatening the capital.

Locals

John Heck, of the Wilmett section, was among the citizens from the North end of the county here Monday.

Judge Davenport, of Concho county, who also serves as county superintendent of his county, is here attending the teachers' institute.

Prof. J. H. Hollingsworth, of Bronte, superintendent of the schools of that city, is among the live wire teachers who are here attending the institute. Prof. Hollingsworth spent part of the summer in Ballinger in normal work.

John A. Weeks returned Monday from a business trip to Austin and San Antonio.

Rev. R. B. Twitty and family motored to Abilene Saturday, where they spent the day visiting friends. Rev. Twitty was pastor of the Presbyterian church at Abilene before coming to Ballinger.

Mrs. H. H. Luckett returned home Sunday afternoon from San Angelo, where she spent several days with her son, A. P. Luckett. Mrs. Luckett is making home here with her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.

Mrs. R. A. Dickinson has returned from a visit to her daughter at Dallas.

Judge Jennings, of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday morning.

Music of American Indians.
The music of the American Indians is solely and simply vocal. It seems to be generally agreed by musical authorities that the Indians' songs have in them nothing borrowed from instruments, nothing of artificial intonation. An Indian melody never serves two sets of words. There is no instance, it appears, where the people have sung the different stanzas of a ballad to the same air. A large proportion of Indian songs are entirely without words at all, syllables being employed to carry the tones. Perhaps the most striking peculiarity of Indian music is the lack of definite pitch. The Indian begins his song where the natural quality of his voice and his mood at the time render it easiest for him to sing it. The pitch of the song depends upon the individual.—Washington Star.

No Doubt About It.
Mr. Newlywed was on his honeymoon, and as he had married a very pretty young wife, he lost no chance of telling everybody with whom he came in contact that he was a married man. "I want rooms," he announced, as he approached the hotel reception clerk, trying to appear as nonchalant as possible. "Certainly, sir," said the clerk. "For how many?" "For myself and my wife," replied Newlywed. "Yes," said the clerk. "Suita, sir?" "Sweet?" cried Mr. Newlywed. "Of course she is!"

Dear One of the Family.
At Matamoras on the east branch of the Penobscot, where a supply depot is maintained, there is a tame deer which enters the house occasionally and eats food from the table. The deer prefers to sleep in the open at the edge of the woods, but during the day plays around the dooryard of the farm, following a dog, of whom it appears to be fond, wherever the animal goes. Several times when the deer has been in the house and has wanted to go out it has leaped through a window, taking out snash and glass with it.—Portland (Me.) Press.

Clothes hangers that hoist workers' garments in baskets in which they are ventilated to the ceiling of a room have been patented, it being possible to lock the hoisting chains.

POSTAL CLERKS TO GET HOLIDAY

An order received by Postmaster J. A. Reese provides for a holiday for the employees of the local office so far as possible on Christmas Day, and the local postmaster announces that only first class mail will be despatched on Christmas Day.

According to the order, rural carriers will make only the forenoon delivery. The clerical force in the office will be cut down to where only business necessary and consistent with local plans and situation will be carried out. The order instructs the local postmaster to stop all work at 12:00 o'clock so far as possible, and give the clerks a holiday.

This will not work a hardship on patrons of the local office to any great extent, as most of the mail received here arrives in the forenoon, and the office will be open from 10:00 to 11:00 o'clock, according to Mr. Reese, and persons expecting Christmas parcels on Christmas Day through the mails, can wait until the following day.

The clerks will be given the day off, and only first class mail will be despatched.

Do your Christmas mailing early.

FEDERAL MEN CHARGE BRIBING

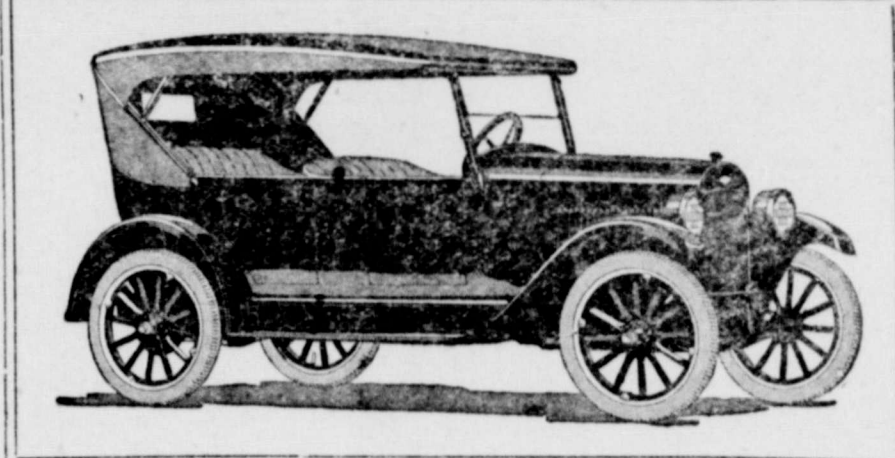
(By Associated Press)
MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 17.—Warrants charging attempts to bribe against United States District Attorney Aubrey Boyles, and Harry French, federal enforcement officer, were served here today.

The warrants were sworn out by Charles Smith, chief deputy to the sheriff of Mobile county. One of the warrants is a joint one charging Boyles and French with attempts to corrupt or bribe R. E. Hunt, a member of the state law enforcement department, while the second warrant was served only on Boyles, and charges that he attempted to bribe W. H. Holcomb, former sheriff of Mobile county.

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Dick Trail returned to his home at Brady Saturday afternoon. He had been here to be at the bedside of his father, E. A. Trail, who was seriously ill for a day or two. We are glad to report that Mr. Trail is improving and will probably be up and about again in a few days.

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Gift Suggestions

We might suggest a Chevrolet Sedan or Touring Car for the whole family. There could be nothing nicer and all would enjoy such a gift equally. It is the lowest priced fully equipped automobile in the world.

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MINERS TRAPPED IN JAPAN MINE

(By Associated Press)
TOKIO, Dec. 17.—Thirty miners were entombed in the coal mine at Kasuya in Southwestern Japan today, and all are being held prisoner by gas in the mine shaft, according to advices received here.

A collapse of a portion of the mine entombed the men. The rescue work is proceeding with extreme difficulty, and it is feared that the attempts to rescue the miners will prove unavailing.

Mr. and Mrs. Arno Schawe are here for a visit with Mr. Schawe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schawe. They will be here until after the holidays.

SEEKING HELP BORROW MONEY

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Dec. 17.—Germany's request that the reparations commission agree to a release of its priority claim on Germany's resources to the extent necessary to permit Germany to borrow money abroad with which to buy needed food, was delivered to the reparations commission this afternoon by the German war burdens commission.

The present attitude of the French government, as stated semi-officially, is against granting the application.

Mrs. M. R. Fortson came in at noon from Dallas to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bair.



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HER AND UGHTER DIE IN GAS FIRE

(By Associated Press)
KENRIDGE, Dec. 17.—W. Saxton, age 40; and daughters, Mrs. E. B. age 20; and Miss Alive age 15, are dead, and a little hope held out for every of another daughter, Saxton, age 11, as the result of a fire which destroyed the home near here Saturday. Saxton and her daughters wearing clothes with gasoline on them, and fire followed, engulfing the mother and her flames and burning them so that death resulted.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Mother's Favorite soothing and healing prop of Chamberlain's Cough Syrup, its pleasant taste and effectual cures have made it a favorite with people everywhere. It is especially by mothers of young children, croup and whooping cough, as it always affords relief and is free from other harmful drugs.

ERICK FOLKS RAISE CE FUND FOR SCHOOL

Erick citizens believe in doing right when they put up an undertaking for the good of that community. The Erick school's home school grounds will be the result of an effort and box supper at Erick Friday night. A nice sum of \$178 was raised from the sale of boxes, and the contests put on for the popular girl and the ugliest. In the popular girl contest Callie Wygle won, and at Marshall carried off the prize for being the ugliest man. The present was presented to Wygle, and Mr. Marshall received a box of cigars.

Get Your Christmas Apples
We are now unloading a full car of Davis and Jonathan Apples in the Wilke buildings near a Fe depot. Prices reasonable.

W. F. DAVIS

DOCTOR SWEARS FOX IS INSANE

(By Associated Press)
ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 17.—Dr. S. Swint, alienist, was turned over to the prosecuting attorneys for cross examination when the trial of Phillip E. Fox, charged with murder in connection with the death of William S. Coburn, resumed today. Dr. Swint testified at the trial yesterday on direct examination that after giving Fox a mental test he adjudged him to be a raving maniac, and expressed it as his opinion that Fox killed Coburn while under a delusion.

ARM LABOR UNION MEETS

(By Associated Press)
TEXARKANA, Dec. 17.—The annual convention of the Farm Labor Union of America convened today for a general discussion of the agricultural problems as they affect the labor situation in the Southern states. The opening session was devoted to formalities incident to the organization of the convention.

IMRODS REPORT DUCKS PLENTIFUL

Local hunters who have been in the field the past few days report that ducks are now more plentiful in this country than they have been this season. The recent cold snap and the abundance of water in this section accounts for the presence of the birds it is said.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eason were down from Winters Monday looking after business and meeting the school teachers who are here attending the institute.

MAKING CANVASS CHARITY CASES

The City Pastors Association was in session a short time Monday morning, accepting the duties placed upon them by the United Charity Board of playing Santa Claus for the needy families of this city.

The charity board has set aside \$200.00 to supply Christmas gifts for the poor children of the city, and the substantial for the adults who are in need of help to make Christmas cheer in as many homes as possible.

The pastors have set about to carry out the work and are soliciting the aid of the citizenship of the city. The pastors will canvass the districts assigned them, but it is possible that they may overlook some worthy cases, and those who know of families in distress should get in touch with the pastor who has charge of the district in which such family is residing, and report the matter, in order that all may be cared for.

In order that the work may be done in the quickest time possible and systematically, the pastors have divided the city into wards, or districts, and each pastor assigned to a certain district. The needy families will be located, an inventory of their immediate needs made, and help rendered accordingly. Orders will be issued for groceries, clothing, or such articles as the objects of charity need, and the merchants will accept the orders, honoring them for the amount of merchandise they call for, and the charity board will issue checks to the merchants to cover the amount of the orders. Merchants who give part merchandise and a balance in cash in exchange for orders will be doing so at their own risk, as the charity board will not refund any cash paid out on the orders—they are good for merchandise only. The committee will distribute cash where cash is needed and where it is deemed more advisable to donate cash than merchandise.

Dr. Alvin Swindell will look after the entire Mexican charity needs of the city. Rev. E. D. Messer will have charge of all territory South of the Santa Fe railroad and North of the river. Rev. Alfred Cramer will play Santa Claus for the poor children in the district between Third Street and Broadway. Rev. E. W. McLaurin will be the Santa Claus for that part of the city lying between Broadway and Ninth Street. Rev. R. B. Twitty will canvass the territory from Ninth to Twelfth streets, and supply the needs of the poverty stricken in that district. Rev. E. W. Bridges will visit South Ballinger and get a line-up on the homes where Santa Claus is needed.

CURTAIN GOES UP AT 8:00 O'CLOCK TONIGHT
The American Legion show, "All Muddled Up," will start promptly at 8:00 o'clock tonight. The doors open at 7:00, the overture is rendered at 7:45 and the curtain goes up at 8:00. Be in your seat if you hold a ticket and see one of the best entertainments ever staged here. The Legion showed to an overflow house this afternoon at the matinee performance. The teachers' institute recessed at 3:15 and the teachers occupied reserved seats, and a large crowd of children and adults were lined up before the theatre for an hour before the doors opened.

INSURGENTS MAY ELECT DEMOCRAT
(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The republican insurgent bloc, whose revolt against the party leaders has delayed for two weeks a complete organization of the 68th Congress, stood its ground today in the Senate. The insurgent group is still holding out against the re-election of Chairman Cummins, and is threatening to throw its entire strength tomorrow to Senator Smith, democrat, from South Carolina, and this would elect Smith.

Horace Oliver, who is teaching school at Rotan, is spending the holidays with home folks.

Movies

"THE ELEVENTH HOUR" AT MAEROY TOMORROW

Running the gamut of melodramatic thrills, "The Eleventh Hour," adapted by William Fox from Lincoln J. Carter's stage success, will be the feature attraction at the Maeroy Theatre tomorrow and Wednesday, two days only.

This exciting production stars Charles Jones and Shirley Mason. In the supporting cast are June Elvidge and Alan Hale.

From every standpoint the screen version is said to surpass the legitimate presentation. The limitless expanse of development possessed by the screen gave Lincoln J. Carter new inspiration for more startling thrill-stunts.

One of the most striking and breath-abating stunts effected in this production, is the shooting of Charles Jones and Shirley Mason through the torpedo tubes of a submerged submarine. Equally amazing is Jones' battle with lions. There is much excitement provided by the daring of Miss Mason. She hangs over a huge vat of liquid iron to escape the unwelcome attentions of the Prince. Her dive into the ocean from a high precipice is said to be another hair-raiser.

It's lunch time from 7:30 a. m. till 9:00 p. m. at The Alcove. 17-1fd

GLADYS WALTON PLAYS NEW ROLE

A few years ago Gladys Walton, famous Universal screen beauty, was doing aquatic stunts for a motion picture company. Doing very well at it, too, for her work attracted considerable attention, and soon she was given opportunities in more important parts.

She is a wonderful swimmer and diver and still spends a great deal of her time in a swimming pool when she is away from the studio, at Universal City, where she is under contract.

When she was shown a working script for "The Wild Party," her latest starring vehicle, which is being shown today and Tuesday at the Fox-theatre, she gave a joyous exclamation. "Hurrah! Look what I have to do!" she said.

She pointed to a sequence in the play calling for several swimming and diving stunts.

Herbert Blache, director of the Walton unit, mistook her enthusiasm.

"Don't worry about that," he said. "We can easily arrange a

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double for you in those scenes." But Gladys didn't want a double and for a week preceding the starting of production on the film she practiced all kinds of swimming and diving stunts.

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MILES PERSONALS

Special to The Ledger: MILES, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Ray B. Johnston and children are visiting friends in San Angelo this week-end.

Miss Nannie Scott is here from Coleman to visit her mother, Mrs. R. M. Scott.

Mrs. Lee Clarke has returned from Belton where she visited her parents for several days.

H. J. Askin was in Rowena Saturday on business. Wendell Jennings left Saturday for Austin to spend the holidays with relatives.

Charlie Hart and sons were in Ballinger Saturday on business.

Elmer Johnson and Misses Gladys Fowler and Ethel Pittman were Ballinger visitors Saturday.

TOWELS
Plain and Fancy
Big stock now on our shelves.
TOYLAND
is now open in our store. Bring the Kiddies to see the many Christmas toys we have on display.

THE GLOBE
A. S. Love, Prop.
Old Santa Claus will be at our store every Saturday afternoon from now until Christmas.

ABILENE-WACO GAME AT DALLAS

(By Associated Press)
FT. WORTH, Dec. 17.—The football game between Waco and Abilene high school teams, which will decide the state championship, will be played in Dallas Friday. The date and place was decided upon at a meeting of interested parties here today.

Abilene defeated Wichita Falls at Abilene last Friday, winning the championship of high schools in the Northwest Texas district, and Waco defeated Beaumont Saturday winning the Southwest district championship, and the game at Dallas Friday will decide the winners for the state in the high school class.

Mrs. Mattie Holliday returned home Sunday from Winters, where she had been spending the week with her son, David Holliday, and family.

MANY SCHOOL TEACHERS DETRAIN HERE SUNDAY

It isn't often that it requires longer for the passengers to detrain at Ballinger than it does for the expressmen to load and unload the express, but such was the case Sunday afternoon. The East bound Santa Fe brought a large number of teachers who arrived here to spend the week in the Concho-Colorado Valley Institute. Aside from Runnels county practically all the teachers attending the institute come from the West. Runnels county being the Eastern border county of the district comprising the institute. Quite a crowd gathered at the station to welcome the teachers, some of those who had opened their homes to the teachers being at the depot to meet them. County Superintendent Bugg and Secretary Motley of the Y. M. B. L. had their hands full in assigning the teachers to their boarding places.

Mrs. Theo. Matthieson and daughter were shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

Christmas Baked Goods

Everything you will need in baked goods for the Christmas dinner is here in plenty. Just phone us your needs and we will see that delivery is made as you wish.

Fruit Cakes

We have them all sizes or will sell you any amount. Special orders taken for delivery any time before Christmas.

Ballinger Steam Bakery

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TONIGHT

"ALL MUDDLED UP"

Overture 7:45

Curtain 8:00 Sharp

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Here is how you give this wonderful Gift. Come shopping at our offices on the ground floor of the C. A. Dooze building. We will tell you the cost of the various lenses and frames suitable for the party you have in mind. We have Christmas certificates on which the names to whom the present is given and whom the gift is from. The price of these Christmas certificates for Glasses range from \$7.50 to \$25.00. You need not bring the party you intend giving this gift at the time of the purchase, but can keep it a secret until Christmas if you wish.

After you have given your gift to Mother or Dad, Grandmother or Grandfather, Daughter or Son, they then come to our offices at any time for their examination. We examine their eyes thoroughly and fit and adjust the glasses as the condition of their eyes calls for. Our usual competent and courteous optical service will be shown each receiver of these gifts.

This is a plan that is being used by up to date registered optometrists throughout the country. It is a huge success and the thought behind this gift will be as much appreciated by your loved ones as the actual benefit derived from Doctors B. and Jack Kahn, Optometrists, correct glasses.