

The Weather

WEST TEXAS—Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Wednesday. Probable occasional rains in the south.

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"The man who starts off with a pull is under a severe handicap." —Charles M. Schwab.

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HOOVER CITES EXPENSE BURDEN

Ownership of Petroleum Building Here Is Reorganized

LOCAL LABOR TO BE USED IN DEMOLISHING OLD JAIL HERE

WORK TO START IN FEW DAYS

No Contract Will Be Let; Officials In Charge

Work of demolishing the old county jail, near the northeast corner of the court house square, will be started within the next few days following official action taken by the county commissioners' court late Monday.

Contract for the job will not be let Donald Hutt, commissioner of precinct No. 3, said today, but a supervisor will be employed to work under the direction of the county officials.

All home labor will be used, every effort being made to give employment where it is needed badly, and the job will be done as economically as possible by the county.

The jail is now useless to the county, the new structure on the fourth floor of the new \$300,000 court house taking its place. The new jail, scientifically engineered and constructed by a leading jail contracting firm, is declared to be "break" proof whereas the old structure was necessarily closely guarded at all times to prevent escapes by prisoners.

Transfer of the eight prisoners in the county jail was made to the new quarters yesterday morning.

Midland Lodge to Assist Odessa

The Midland Knights of Pythias lodge No. 145 will confer rank work on the newly organized Odessa lodge Thursday, Dec. 18, it was announced here.

Chester Bayles was admitted into the Midland lodge Monday night and passed his first rank. Officials who had been absent the week before from lodge were fined a "bucket of apples." G. N. Donovan and James Killough "paid off."

The public installation of new officers will result Monday night, Dec. 15, at the First Christian church.

Christmas Tree Erected Today

A great Christmas tree is being erected today at the intersection of Main and Wall streets. This will be hung with 500 colored light bulbs.

Midland is being called the "best decorated town for Christmas between the borders of the state." Tourists have complimented the town repeatedly for the civic-mindedness that has made this possible.

Two Escape Jail At Nacogdoches

NACOGDOCHES, Dec. 9. (AP).—John Clayton and James Logan, under burglary charges, escaped jail here during the night. Other prisoners refused to leave.



Second Bomb Outrage Is Disastrous in Chicago

Soviet Envoy Evades Secret Agents



Central figures in an under-cover drama which has stirred the diplomatic colony in London are Russian Ambassador and Madame Sokolnikoff, pictured above. They have declined to return to Russia in company of three secret emissaries who arrived in the British capital to escort them back to Moscow.

OIL PRODUCTION TAKES BIG DROP DURING THE WEEK

TULSA, Dec. 9. (UP).—Daily average production of crude petroleum of the nation continued its downward trend last week, the Oil and Gas Journal reported today.

The total national daily average dropped 40,469 barrels to 2,226,936.

Everyone Receives Little Theatre Call

The little theatre obtained a monopoly on the service of the Southwestern Bell Telephone company today, with 21 women telephoning every number in the directory.

The little theatre is giving a personal invitation to everyone to attend the second production of the season, a mystery drama called "The Inner Circle."

The women divided the characters of the alphabet and began ringing. Mrs. S. B. Cragin headed the list and telephoned the a's. Others and those whom they called were: Mrs. E. N. Bayer, b; Mrs. Parker Robertson, b; Mrs. T. B. Flood, c; Mrs. George Glass, c; Mrs. M. F. Peters, d; Mrs. Al Loskamp, e, z, y, w; Mrs. James Finlayson, f; Mrs. C. L. Jackson, g; Mrs. O. C. Harper, h; Mrs. O. B. Holt, Jr., h; Mrs. E. H. Blakney, j, k; Mrs. R. L. York, l; Mrs. Fred Cowden, m; Miss Leona McCormick, n, o; Mrs. W. A. Yeager, p; Mrs. R. W. Patterson, p, q, r; Miss Blanche Moran, r, s; Mrs. Allen Watts, s, t; Mrs. M. C. Ulmer, t, u, v.

The play will be presented Thursday night, the curtain rising at 8 o'clock. The cast follows: James Fordney—Joseph A. Seymour; Matilda Fordney—Elma Graves; Jonas Norris—Sam K. Wasaff; Kastamuni—James P. Harrison; Christine Norris—Alice Mason; Phillip Norris—Marcos J. Williamson.

Grayden McKelvie—Sam Warren; Officer Gordon—George Abell; Detective Sergeant Williams—Aubrey Legg; Granya Howe—Ruth Anguish.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9. (UP).—The American Furniture Mart, one of the largest buildings in the world, was rocked near midnight by a time bomb, causing a damage estimated at \$20,000.

It was the second sensational bomb outrage in the city within two days. Tony May, millionaire newsboy, was killed by a bomb, thought to be a birthday present, yesterday.

The blast completely wrecked an area of 20 feet square in the mart. When the building was completed a few years ago, it was said to contain more floor space than any other in the world.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 9. (AP).—Safe blowers dynamited the office safe of the Southern Pacific station at Boerne, near here early today, escaping with \$45. The building was almost demolished.

The detonation awakened the community, and several reported hearing an automobile roar away soon after the blast.

FOUR DIE AS STOVE BURSTS; ANOTHER HURT

SEMINOLE, Okla., Dec. 9. (AP).—A woman and three children were burned to death and another child was badly burned when a gas stove explosion destroyed the A. J. Kirby home here.

The dead are: Mrs. Oliver Kirby her two daughters, Virginia and Corla and a cousin, Arthur Hicks, 15, who was visiting the Kirbys. George Kirby, another Kirby child was injured.

Justice Court Is First to Try Case

The first case tried in the new court house was heard Monday by Justice of the Peace Alton A. Gault, the case of State vs Charles Buckalew, charged with disturbing the peace.

Constable R. D. Lee summoned the first jury, composed of: Ed Dozier, Clay Cottrell, T. D. Mize, Hayden Miles, G. N. Donovan and Roy McKee. Donovan has the distinction of being on the last jury of the old courthouse.

A verdict of not guilty was returned and the defendant was acquitted.

Basketball Leagues Help Unemployment

Midland people are responding slowly to the unemployment campaign being waged by the chamber of commerce and Midland Community Welfare association.

Three men were given jobs this morning and one Monday. Any kind of work a resident might wish done at his home will find the chamber of commerce able to supply workmen, it was pointed out by an official today.

The job supplied Monday was given by the two basketball leagues of the town. They require a janitor and caretaker who will keep the court open to the right team at the right hour and one who will keep everyone from the building except the teams slated to use the floor.

Three Killed in Chinese Crack-up

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 9. (UP).—Paul Baer of Fort Wayne, Indiana, pilot, his Chinese co-pilot and a Russian woman, Mrs. Andrieva, were killed today when a Shanghai-Hankow passenger plane crashed here. Four Chinese passengers were seriously injured.

SUITS ARE SETTLED IN PRIVATE

On Self Financing Basis With Debt Reduced

Law suits affecting the Petroleum Building Incorporated, of Midland, have been settled out of court, attorneys here said today, placing the building on a self financing basis to compare favorably with the leading large buildings of Texas.

A suit for foreclosure had been brought by Garrett and Son, investment bankers of Baltimore, Maryland, and the Petroleum Building Inc., had secured an injunction against foreclosure. The banking firm then carried the case to the federal court at El Paso, filing suit for foreclosure.

The bonded indebtedness of the building was \$800,000, the bonds bearing 6% per cent interest and calling for an annual sinking fund of \$30,000. The available revenue of the building was not sufficient to meet those demands, hence the delinquency which brought on the suit for foreclosure.

Indebtedness Reduced Pending trial of the case in federal court a settlement was agreed upon by those interested, giving Garrett and Son controlling interest in the common stock of the corporation and also an issue of \$200,000 preferred stock, reducing the bonded indebtedness of the corporation to \$400,000.

The building is now able to finance itself under the new terms, local attorneys said, and the corporation is clear of suits or judgments. Hickey and Harrington, general contractors of Dallas who erected the structure, retain stock in the corporation.

HOUSTON GETS INTO FIGHT OF TRADE CITIES

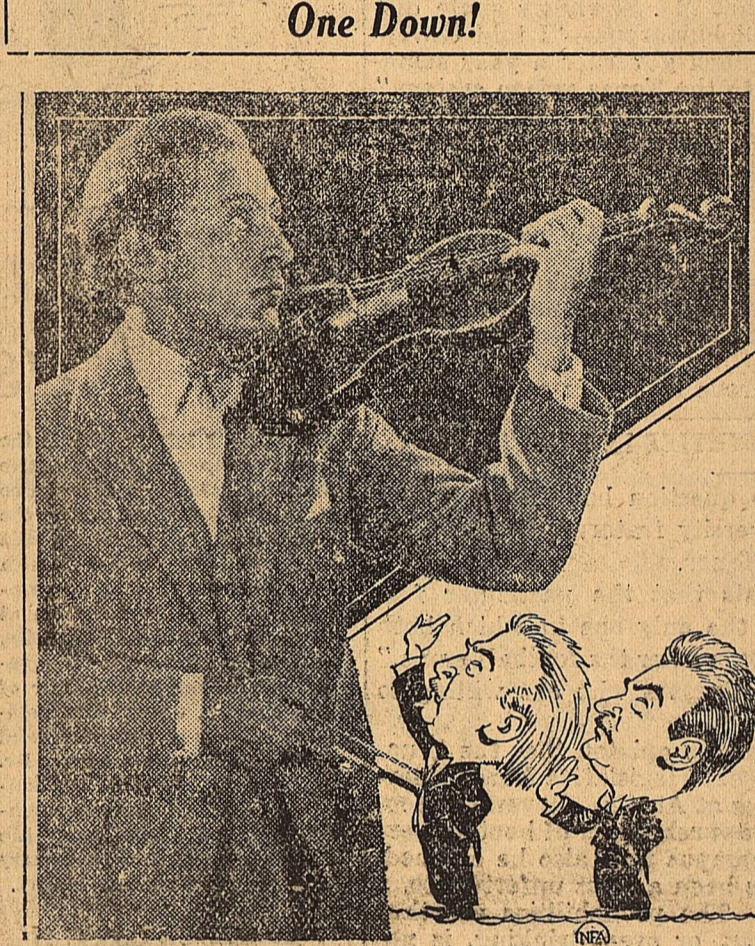
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 9. (UP).—The economic battle of ports for commercial supremacy reverberates with the clang of riveting hammers, the snort of burrowing dredges and the thud of pile drivers along the Gulf of Mexico.

While efforts are being made to link all the most important ports of the Gulf by means of intra-coastal canals, New Orleans, Houston, Mobile and Corpus Christi have reached out for added commerce through port improvement and enlargement projects.

Aided by the release of a sum estimated at \$1,000,000 a year for re-financing and enlarging port facilities, the port of New Orleans already has launched dock construction which will cost \$2,500,000. It contemplates the expenditure of \$1,000,000 a year for a ten year period to add to its state-owned port facilities.

Houston has swung into the competition. Congress has authorized the expenditure of \$954,000 for enlarging the Houston ship channel, and the government at a recent public hearing was asked to permit the use of \$450,000,000 in widening and deepening the channel to the Gulf.

Mobile has a congressional appropriation of \$600,000 for extending to Pensacola, Fla., an intra-coastal canal which will link it with New Orleans. It has asked congress for appropriations to deepen the channel to Mobile, and widening the inner Mobile harbor. Nor has the infant port of Corpus Christi been idle. Four years old, it boasts four berths and wharf (See HOUSTON page 6)



Three great musicians holding out on you; one's gone on the air and now there's only two. And that one, Jascha Heifetz, noted violinist, is receiving the jeers of Ignace Paderewski, pianist, left, and Fritz Kreisler, violinist, for succumbing to the lure of radio. Heifetz is to play over an NBC hookup Sunday, Dec. 21, for one of the largest salaries ever to be given a radio artist. His two pals, however, still refuse to be tempted by radio's gold.

Burglar Pleads He's Wife Hiding

HOUSTON, Dec. 9. (UP).—Four detectives after receiving a tip that the safe was being robbed invaded the Texas Pacific Coal and Oil office here last midnight. They found a man with a can opener and a pair of pliers. On the floor was a crow-bar and the safe was dented and scared.

"What are you doing here?" the officers asked.

"I'm hiding from my wife," the man replied.

Burglary charges were filed against a man giving his name as John E. Blain.

Toys Pile in for Midland Charity

Toys continue to pour into the office of the chamber of commerce and the Texas Electric Service company.

With the nearing Christmas date, those who have waited are now beginning to send in bundles, boxes, bags and other containers filled with toys.

Mrs. A. N. Hendrickson, 720 West Kansas, brought several musical toys, a number of games, a football, chair, books and other new toys to the chamber of commerce office Monday. Eddie Jean and Buster Cole, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cole, also brought in a big bag of toys.

Ralph and Charles, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Vertrees, Mrs. Hugh Corrigan and sons, and a son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Huntsman were others.

These toys are being repaired by carpenters and boy scouts to be given the poor of the town on Christmas. The movement originally considered only used toys, but now many new toys are being bought and sent in.

Struck by Car, One Killed, One Hurt

HILLSBORO, Dec. 9. (AP).—Norville Phillips of Caddo, Oklahoma, was fatally injured and his brother, Orville Phillips, was injured when an automobile hit them while they were fixing a tire along the roadside by their parked automobile.

PLANE SERVICE CHICAGO, TEXAS TO START SOON

CHICAGO, Dec. 9. (UP).—Air passenger service between Chicago and Kansas City will be started by the National Air Transport January 2, Lester D. Seymour, vice-president, announced today. Passenger service will be extended to Tulsa, Fort Worth and Dallas a few weeks later, Seymour said.

Lee Lodges First One in New Jail

Constable R. D. Lee arrested the first man to be lodged in the new jail, on the top floor of the new courthouse. This was a Mexican named Lalo, taken at Warfield Monday.

Transfer of prisoners at the old jail was made at 10 o'clock Monday morning. The prisoners had been trying to saw out of their cells.

Visits to Be Made By State Workers

Miss Mildred Horton, state home demonstration agent, and Miss Helen H. Swift, district demonstration agent, will be in Midland Friday for a series of visits to women's clubs of the county with Miss Genevieve Derryberry, Midland county home demonstration agent.

Former Attorney Now With Sinclair

Sloan Blair, formerly a law partner with District Attorney W. R. Smith of Midland and now assistant to the attorney general, has joined the legal department of the Sinclair Refining company in Fort Worth.

He will have his office in the new Sinclair building in Fort Worth. He remains in his Austin office until Jan. 1.

GROWS PECANS HERE

J. T. Robison is having good luck with paper shell pecan here. He lives in the 900 block on South Big Spring, at the old Walter Cowden place.

EMERGENCY AID BILL IS RECEIVED

President Calls for Staying Within The Budget

The senate today passed a bill authorizing \$60,000,000 for drought stricken farmers' relief.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. (AP).—President Hoover today declared that efforts are being made to impose a greater burden on the government than the financial position permits.

Noting that pending legislation would impose an additional burden of \$4,500,000,000 above the amount asked for in his budget message, the president said the budget contained the maximum expenditures the government could make without increasing taxes.

Receive Emergency Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. (AP).—The house today received from the appropriations committee the unemployed emergency construction bill, providing for \$110,000,000 for highway aid, river and harbor improvements, stipulating \$80,000,000 for advance to states so that they might build despite inability to meet federal aid obligations.

The fund is returnable over a five year period. The sum was \$40,000,000 under the amount asked by President Hoover.

In approving the bill, the appropriations committee amended it to permit using funds up to September 1 instead of July 1, end of the fiscal year.

Approve Tariff Members

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. (AP).—The senate finance committee today approved nominations of six tariff commissioners.

Big Spring Veteran Is Suicide Victim

BIG SPRING, Dec. 9. (AP).—W. E. Gilliam, 80, confederate veteran, was found shot dead at his daughter's home where he lived. The coroner's verdict was suicide.

Edsall Adding to Apartment House

Frank Edsall is adding an apartment to his home on North Loraine street, work on the structure having been started yesterday.

The addition is on the south side of the place and will provide quarters for an additional family.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



One of the best tips on traveling is frequently.

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ROSS STERLING'S NATIVE WIT

During the campaign, it was frequently charged that Governor-elect Sterling possessed twenty million dollars, twenty bath tubs, and a staff of twenty speech-writers. Undoubtedly the accusation was intended to constitute a reflection upon the next governor's abilities. It is especially noteworthy, therefore, that the Governor-elect is now making better extemporaneous speeches than those which were supposed to have been prepared for him during the campaign. If he had twenty speech-writers, he paid out some little money for work he himself could have done better. The improvement is especially evident in a play of subtle wit. At Waco, for instance, speaking "ad lib," Mr. Sterling said: "Governor Moody warned me that after I have been governor a year I would have come to the conclusion that something should be done to the Texas prison system, and"—it was here that Mr. Sterling's smile disclosed the fact that he waxed humorous—"I told Governor Moody that after I had been governor a year something would have been done to the Texas prison system." Ready wit, that, and yet it is typical of the man Sterling. He may never be a popular governor, but he is going to be a good governor—a governor who gets things done. Texas needs a governor of that kind, and probably will re-elect him without any reference to the question of personal popularity. But Ross Sterling's abundant good humor may fool the prophets again. He may turn out to be much more popular than the disgruntled opposition predicts. His genial humor may prove to be his saving grace.

GREEK-LETTER SOCIETIES IN DUTCH

There appears to be no question but that a young woman died in a Texas University fraternity house from the effects of drinking bad liquor. The Luling Signal asserts that the particular fraternity in question "was not the only one in which both drunk men and women were seen after the football game." The Signal has five Luling witnesses who are willing to corroborate the charge. Most Texas editors are of the opinion that the situation disclosed may result in some legislative house-clearing of the Greek-letter societies at Austin. Governor Moody's offer of a reward for the apprehension of boot-leggers operating on the University campus may also be claimed. Upon the whole, this has been a most unfortunate, a most regrettable occurrence. The probabilities are that the practice of mixed-drinking, or even drinking, is not so prevalent at the University as many people will assume now that an alarming disclosure has been made. Nevertheless, the innocent will probably suffer with the guilty. Privileges honestly earned and richly deserved will be lost to many, because some few violated the "honor-code" which existed upon the University campus. It is the way of the world.

EMPLOYMENT

Many Texas cities have found that beautification is an agreeable antidote for unemployment. The clearing of underbrush and weeds from the banks of streams, and the cleaning of rank growth from gutters and open ditches, now serves a three-fold purpose. It is a campaign of beautification which of itself is well worth while; it is a health crusade which, in any event, is deserving of support; and, at this time, it constitutes a powerful offensive against the threat of unemployment. Fortunately, this type of drive against unemployment is effective, whether it be in small cities or large, on country roads or city streets. It is a measure which, by reason of its simple practicability, should be adopted by all of Texas. Chop weeds, clear underbrush. Clean, beautify and employ. It is a battle-cry in which every man should raise his voice.

Side Glances by Clark



"I always give the ones I want to read, and then borrow them after Christmas."

Three Modern "Wise Men"!



Hope and Fear Spur the Russians to Aid Soviet

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a series of five exclusive stories, presenting a remarkable closeup of conditions among the common people in Soviet Russia today. They are interviews with Dr. Thomas S. McWilliams, professor of religious education at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, who has recently returned from a tour of that country, where he witnessed conditions at first hand and mingled with the masses. Dr. McWilliams speaks as an eminently qualified, but thoroughly impartial, observer of life under the greatest revolutionary experiment in modern history.

By BRUCE CATTON Staff Writer for Reporter-Telegram and NEA Service (Copyright, 1930, NEA Service, Inc)

CLEVELAND—A kind of war psychology, born of a mixture of enthusiasm and the memory of atrocious conditions under the Czar, is sustaining the Russian people in their present amazing endeavor to translate Communism into a working force that can compete with a capitalist world on an even footing. Because this psychology makes the ordinary Russian citizen—a heavy-booted Ivan of a thousand folk-tales—willing to sacrifice much and endure much, the famous Russian five-year plan is moving forward rapidly, producing many substantial accomplishments even if it fails quite to come up to the boasts of Soviet leaders. For the time being the Communist regime is firmly established, upheld by that strange, transcendental psychology. But in the long run eternal sacrifice and supervision will have lost their attractiveness—and then there will come a change. This, briefly, is the way Dr. Thomas S. McWilliams, professor of religious education at Western Reserve University, sums up the study he made of the Soviet regime in a six-weeks tour of Russia, just completed.

With other American educators, Dr. McWilliams went to Russia to see for himself just how "the most radical and revolutionary experiment ever tried out anywhere" is succeeding. He returned having seen much to praise and much to condemn, a picture in which bright lights and black shadows alternate. In his comfortable office in the university here, he told an interviewer of present-day Russia as he saw it. "War Psychology" Explains Submission to Iron Rule "I often asked them over there," he said, "How on earth do you get people to submit to such a complete

dictatorship, when people in the United States kick like steers over a little thing like prohibition? The answer was fairly simple. The Russian people are willing to make any sacrifice to bring on the Utopia they have seen on the horizon. They are imbued with a kind of war psychology. "Materially, they are making great progress. The land, with its collectivized farms, new machines, and so on, produces 50 per cent more than it did under the old system. They have some of the finest wheat fields in the world over there. They say that they can feed the whole world; and when one looks at those wonderful stretches of mile on mile of rich black soil, one is inclined to believe them. "They are also rapidly constructing giant industries. They are building factories to make their own machinery. They are constructing immense work for the production of electrical power. "In that material sense, they are making progress. Where the daily life of the ordinary man is concerned, things are not quite so good. Can't Make Loans So Must Sacrifice at Home "The Russians, you see, can't negotiate any loans abroad. They must get the money for these big developments out of themselves. They are putting their people on rations—and they are severe rations, on which Americans could not live—and everything above the ration is used for export, and the profit goes into this expansion program. "Communism, of course, is a class movement, with the proletariat favored. The middle and upper classes are having a perfectly hellish time. Not only have they been stripped of their property—and the government has taken everything, banks, farms, art treasures, mansions and the rest—but they are disfranchised, the schools are not open to their children and they cannot work for wages. They are just being exterminated. Many of them are trying to become proletarians themselves. "One never sees any good clothes in Russia. To wear them, indeed, is to be jeered at as a capitalist. Shabby clothing is a badge of honor over there. Most of the men you see on the street are wearing patched trousers, shabby coats and straw sandals. What the Common Man Eats in Soviet Russia "The almost universal diet in Russia consists of bortsch, a kind of soup filled with bits of meat, onion tops, cabbage and barley, the traditional heavy black bread, and tea. The bortsch—they serve you a large plate of it, full right up to the edge—is nourishing if you can eat it. The black bread is pretty fierce to me. It is not only black, but it is soggy, sour and coarse. Among visitors who are not used to it it causes much sickness and dysentery. "Their housing is still very congested. They have built many new apartments, especially in Moscow, but the number of new ones is by no means sufficient as yet. They have simply been too busy to build houses; and on top of that, the Russians are an extremely prolific people. They are adding to their population by natural increase each year as many people as there are in all of Denmark. "However, against these drawbacks, there is the fact that the people are willing to sacrifice anything. They are willing to eat black bread and go barefooted for the sake

of the Cause. When you get many people fanatically devoted to one idea like that, you have great power. "Compare Conditions With Those Under the Czar "How do present-day conditions compare with conditions under the Czar?" Dr. McWilliams was asked. "I think conditions under the old regime were quite as bad as they are today, if not somewhat worse," he replied. "Of course, that is what makes it possible for the present regime to continue. "They are constantly reminding the people to look back to the old times under the Czar, and telling them to hold on to what they have with all their might or they will go back into the old situation again. That is why the people are willing to make these sacrifices. "Throughout Russia Dr. McWilliams found a keen curiosity about the way Russia conditions compare with those in countries like America—coupled with determination on the part of officials to make it appear that things are no better in capitalist lands than in Russia. "We attended a meeting of a village Soviet," he said, "and they questioned us about the subject. They were astonished at the size of wages paid in this country. Working Masses Live Cheaply—But How! "Then the president of the Soviet asked us: 'What is the cost of subsistence in your country?' Professor Burgess of the University of Chicago, who was in our party, told him that according to government figures the cost of subsistence for a family of five in the United States ranges from \$1500 to \$2000 a year. The president settled back in his chair and nodded, as if to say, 'There's the answer—it cost more to live in America.' So I felt impelled to tell him: "It all depends on what you mean by subsistence. If you mean eating the food your people eat, wearing the kind of clothing they wear and living in the kind of homes they live in—that kind of subsistence would cost about \$200 a year in America, at a liberal estimate. "And that is just about the size of it."

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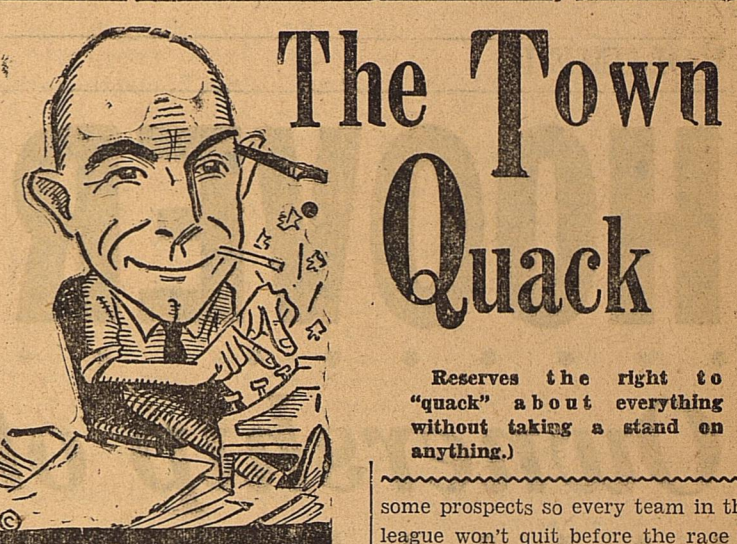
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Daily Washington Letter By Rodney Dutcher

Federal Foodstuffs Survey Shows People Today Consume More Meat, Fats, Oils and Milk and Less Cereals, Corn Bread and Butter Than Were Eaten 30 Years Ago

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The average American annually consumes 145 pounds of meat, nearly 20 pounds of breakfast food, 214 quarts of milk, 177 pounds of wheat flour and 24 of corn meal, 3 3-4 pounds of macaroni, spaghetti and noodles, about 110 sticks of chewing gum, 14 pounds of lard, 10 pounds of cottonseed oil, 17 1-2 pounds of butter, 4 pounds of cheese, 2 1-2 or more gallons of ice cream, 14 pounds of evaporated milk, 18 dozen eggs, 20 pounds of chicken, 3 1-2 pounds of strawberries, 20 pounds of oranges, 5 1-2 pounds of grapefruit, 4 3-4 of lemons, 22 of bananas, 68 of apples, 16 of peaches, 6 of pears, 21 of grapes, 10 of canned fruits, half a watermelon, 5 1-2 cantaloupes, 6 2-3 heads of lettuce, 10 1-2 pounds of onions, 3 bushels of potatoes, more than a pound of cauliflower, 4 1-2 pounds of celery, 11 1-2 of corn, 2 1-3 of carrots, 9 of dried beans, 2 of fresh beans, 4 of green peas, 2 of spinach, 18 of cabbage, 8 of tomatoes, 37 of sweet potatoes (those are all green vegetables), 28 pounds of canned vegetables, 2 1-4 pounds of canned salmon, 12 ounces of sardines, about 1 1-2 pounds of smoked, dried, salted and pickled fish, 6 1-2 pounds of peanuts, 1 1-3 pounds of walnuts, 12 pounds of coffee, less than 1 pound of tea, 102 pounds of sugar and 12 pounds of candy. Plus many other things, of course, in smaller quantities. Popular Foods Change Those figures represent what the foodstuffs division of the Commerce Department, after thorough research, calls the apparent per capita consumption of principal foodstuffs. It has compared the amount of various foods consumed about 30 years ago per capita with the amount in the period of 1922-27 and it finds that: Cereals (wheat, flour, rice, corn meal, breakfast foods, etc.) have decreased in per capita annual consumption 120 pounds, from 350 to 230. The average person eats 145 pounds of meat, an increase of 35 pounds, although it was up to 155 pounds in 1907 and down to 120 in 1917. Consumption of fats and oils increased 10 pounds, from 34 to 44. Dairy products consumption, expressed in terms of milk, increased from between 800 and 900 pounds to 1040. Fruit consumption increased from 169 pounds per person to 192. Corn bread and corn meal mush had a terrific decline in popularity, one judges, because, whereas the average American consumed 103 pounds of corn meal in 1899 he only ate 24 pounds a year from 1923 to 1927. Beef was the most popular meat in 1899. Now it's pork. The average annual consumption of beef went down from 67.8 pounds to 61.4 to 70.2. Mutton and lamb dropped from 6.8 to 5.3 and veal went up from 3.5 to 8. Less Butter Used Now Butter is about 1 pound per person less popular than in 1899. Ice cream is eaten in about the same proportions as 10 years ago. Among canned fruits peaches are most popular—each of us eats 3 canned pounds of peaches a year and 2.9 of canned pineapple, which comes next. Per capita consumption of canned vegetables for 1923-27 included tomatoes 7.4 pounds, baked beans 2.1 and less than a pound each for the others. Perhaps 2 1-2 loaves of bread a week is about the per capita consumption for most city families, as a study in 15 cities of Pennsylvania two years ago showed average per capita consumption of 2.53 loaves or 3.15 pounds. Consumption of potatoes is popularly supposed to have decreased, but the foodstuffs division gives a per capita consumption of 3.12 bushels for 1899 and 3.11 bushels for 1927.



The Town Quack Reserves the right to "quack" about everything without taking a stand on anything. I have heard unofficially that the first incumbents of the new jail were Chas. Goldsmith, Ab Cooksey and Foy Proctor. Visiting the prison Saturday morning in company with the sheriff, that law accidentally locked them up and went off and left them. Although he was gone for only fifteen minutes, it was long enough for them to be glad to see the folks when they got out. The big practice game of the early season of basketball will be held Friday night when the Reporter-Telegram team takes on the Texas Electric bunch. Although it looks like a walkover to the Reporter-Telegram bunch, the Texas Electric boys say it looks more like a florsheim. The whistle will blow signifying that the referee has arrived and is ready to start the game. At this juncture Aubrey Legg will step down out of the Texas Electric bleachers and Paul Barron from the Reporter-Telegram stands. The two will advance to mid-field where they will shake hands before the game starts. The reason they will shake hands before the game is because they know they won't be in the notion afterwards. Herb Rountree, Reporter-Telegram circulation man, has been appointed official score keeper for the entire basket ball league. It looks like a cinch for the Reporter-Telegram pencil pushers to win the cup with Herb in charge of the score sheets. We dread only one team in making the cup race and that is the oil boys. To tell the truth about it, they don't look so bad but we want to keep them ribbed up that they have a terrific decline in popularity, one judges, because, whereas the average American consumed 103 pounds of corn meal in 1899 he only ate 24 pounds a year from 1923 to 1927. Beef was the most popular meat in 1899. Now it's pork. The average annual consumption of beef went down from 67.8 pounds to 61.4 to 70.2. Mutton and lamb dropped from 6.8 to 5.3 and veal went up from 3.5 to 8. Less Butter Used Now Butter is about 1 pound per person less popular than in 1899. Ice cream is eaten in about the same proportions as 10 years ago. Among canned fruits peaches are most popular—each of us eats 3 canned pounds of peaches a year and 2.9 of canned pineapple, which comes next. Per capita consumption of canned vegetables for 1923-27 included tomatoes 7.4 pounds, baked beans 2.1 and less than a pound each for the others. Perhaps 2 1-2 loaves of bread a week is about the per capita consumption for most city families, as a study in 15 cities of Pennsylvania two years ago showed average per capita consumption of 2.53 loaves or 3.15 pounds. Consumption of potatoes is popularly supposed to have decreased, but the foodstuffs division gives a per capita consumption of 3.12 bushels for 1899 and 3.11 bushels for 1927.

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SOCIAL NEWS PAGE FOR WOMEN

Mrs. Sallee, Nationally-known Mission Worker, Is Speaker at Meeting of People From Midland, Stanton and Big Spring

More than sixty men and women from Big Spring, Stanton and every church of Midland heard Mrs. Eugene Sallee, widely known missionary from China, tell of her early life, her call to be a foreign missionary, education, trip to the foreign stations as a bride and her struggles on the mission fields, at the First Baptist Church Monday afternoon.

Mrs. M. B. Robertson, president of the local Baptist W. M. U. introduced Mrs. Sallee, after the devotional read by Mrs. George F. Brown, and a solo by Mrs. A. J. Florey.

With her husband, Dr. Sallee, Mrs. Sallee is stationed in the Kai-fung district of China where they started work several years ago with five pupils. Now the enrollment includes 1,200 boys and 600 girls, she said.

The speaker told of her work as a joy rather than a sacrifice and of her many interesting experiences with the Chinese people. The needs of these natives and the statement that millions of them have never heard of the Christ story were stressed by the missionary.

Leaving here yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Sallee will spend the entire day in Odessa and continue Wednesday on her way to El Paso where she will speak Sunday.

Her purpose of the visit here was foreign mission work which her husband is also doing in Florida.

Junior Endeavor Selects Lexie Jane Cragin as President

New officers now have charge of the activities of the Junior Christian Endeavor of the First Presbyterian church.

Lexie Jane Cragin was chosen to head the group as president and the efficient group to assist her includes Thomas D. Murphy, vice-president; Thelma Sundquist, secretary; Edythe Sundquist, treasurer and Mrs. Florence Richardson, superintendent.

Among the interesting things done by the young group was the packing of a box of toys for the Indian boys and girls in a Presbyterian home in Alabama.

Names were drawn at Sunday's meeting for Christmas gifts to be placed on the Endeavor tree Sunday Dec. 21.

Local Housewives' Choice Recipes

A crackling fire, the radio, something good to eat, and a few friends so say "Happy New Year" when the bells begin "to ring out the old"—what better way to start the new year!

The extra fine creamed meat dishes will delight the guests at your Watch Party.

Sweetbread and Chicken Patties Dice 1 cup white meat of cooked chicken or turkey or veal. Add to diced sweetbreads which have been prepared as follows: Soak sweetbreads for an hour, then simmer for twenty-five minutes in salted water to which 1 tablespoon of vinegar has been added for each quart. Plunge into cold water. Remove membrane and tubes. Make 2 cups of rice white sauce using 1 cup chicken or veal stock and 1 cup milk. Add diced chicken and sweetbreads to sauce. Heat thoroughly and serve in heated patty shells. Garnish with pimento cut in fancy shapes.

For those who want a creamed dish quite different from chicken or turkey, Creamed Chipped Beef will prove a happy choice. Perhaps this does not seem very "partified," but it really is not just ordinary creamed chipped beef.

Creamed Chipped Beef Shred 1/2 pound chipped beef. Cover with boiling water and let stand five minutes. Drain. Melt 4 tablespoons butter. Add 1/2 pound mushrooms which have been washed, skinned, and sliced. Simmer in the butter for five minutes. Then add the chipped beef. When heated thoroughly, sprinkle with 4 tablespoons flour. Mix and add 3 cups milk. Heat well, simmering about ten minutes. Add a little pepper and 2 tablespoons of kitchen bouquet. Serve as you would serve shortcake over hot cheese biscuits. This amount will serve six, generously.

Mrs. Bennett, who has spent several months here with her son, George Bennett, left early this week for Bakersfield, California, where she will make her home.

Miss Mildred Brown has gone to Big Spring for a visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. L. Brown.

Reinhart Circle Meets for Study Of Bible

The nineteenth chapter of Exodus was the first section of the new Bible study opened by the Reinhart circle members, who met at the home of Mrs. Ben F. Whitfield Monday afternoon. The women heard the Rev. Howard Peters outline the chapter and present details of the study.

At a brief business meeting, plans for Woman's Day at the church next Sunday were discussed.

Each woman was asked to bring two new members to the next regular meeting with Mrs. H. H. Meeks, 610 North Main, Monday afternoon.

Little Theatre Member Is Married In Nebraska

Of interest especially to members of the Little Theatre is the recent wedding to Mr. Donald Albert, who spent several months in Midland visiting in the home of his cousin, Mrs. George T. Abell, and Miss Kathryn Allen in Raymond, Nebraska, on December 2.

The first scenery work done by the theatre group here was with the assistance of Mr. Albert who was connected with productions while here.

The couple will make their home in Houston.

McClintic Bros. delivered a car of cows to S. M. Francis yesterday, Francis shipping them to the Fort Worth market.

Bill Van Huss expects to leave Wednesday morning by plane for El Paso where he will spend a few days on business.

Christmas Program Is Given at Auxiliary Meeting

"The Seven Gifts" was the subject of the Christmas dedication service of life, love and service conducted by Mrs. J. M. Caldwell at the Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary meeting Monday afternoon.

The devotional service included a scripture reading by Mrs. W. B. Royer and a prayer by Mrs. A. Har-ry Anderson.

"The Meaning of Christmas" was told by Mrs. Thomas D. Murphy as the introduction of the lesson. After each of the seven gifts were dedicated, Mrs. Fred Turner at the piano led the singing of the chorus of "O Come Let Us Adore." Women presenting the seven parts of the program were Mmes. Florence Richardson, S. B. Cragin, T. R. Wilson, J. M. DeArmond, T. D. Kimbrough and Andrew Fasken.

Hostesses serving refreshments were Mrs. John G. Gossett and Mrs. J. A. Finlayson.

Special guests were Mrs. J. W. Drummond, Mrs. Jack Hawkins, Mrs. W. W. Woodland of Freeport and Mrs. A. W. Marshall of Deming, N. M.

Colorful Xmas Party Is Given for Mayfair Club

Reflections of Christmas were evident in the party arrangement at the home of Mrs. A. E. Horst Monday when members of the Mayfair club called for an afternoon of bridge games.

Bells, poinsettias, ropes and a brightly lighted Christmas tree were combined in the attractive room decorations. Greens and reds also prevailed in the party plates and package wrappers.

After the games, the hostess awarded Mrs. S. M. Warren with a gift for scoring highest for club members, Mrs. D. E. Carter for cutting highest and Miss Blanche Morgan for holding highest among the guests.

Guests and club members were Mmes. Joe Haygood, W. P. Knight, H. W. Matthews, M. M. Seymour, D. E. Shoemaker, Bill Van Huss, S. M. Warren, D. E. Carter, T. L. W. Hudson, B. J. Ulrich and Miss Blanche Moran. Mrs. Jno. Adams was a tea guest.

Episcopal Auxiliary Plans to Equip Building

Ways of raising finances to equip the new Episcopal church were presented by members of the church auxiliary who met with Mrs. D. J. Finley yesterday afternoon.

The business session was under the direction of Mrs. John E. Adams, president. Arrangements were made for a food sale to be held December 23.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Martin of Big Spring were special guests and the auxiliary expressed appreciation to Mrs. Martin for donating a stove for use in the new building.

Devotional readings for the program were given by Mrs. Finley.

Miss Johnson Is President of Society

Miss Alta Mae Johnson was elected to serve in the capacity of president of the Young People's Missionary society by young women who met at the Methodist church Monday evening.

To fill other offices, the society selected Miss Mabel Edith Robinson, vice-president; Miss Nellie Stephenson, treasurer and Miss Myrtle Whitmore, secretary and chairman of the program committee. Mrs. A. P. Baker is sponsor of the society.

The young women are planning a party to be held December 19. Other arrangements will be announced later.

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Towel Shower for Baptist Orphan Home Sunday

Towels for a Christmas box to be sent to the Buckner's Orphan home in Dallas will be brought to the Sunday evening programs by members of the Baptist B. Y. P. U.'s. The box will be packed by Mrs. W. E. Umberson and sent for the holidays season.

Other announcements for young people of the church include a call meeting of leaders, sponsors and officers of the unions at the church Friday evening at 7:30.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Boone were here today from their ranch south-east of town.

C. S. Aycock is in from the ranch to spend a few days.

R. A. Weaver left today for Oklahoma City where he will transact oil business.

Mrs. J. S. Noland and son, Jimmie, are in Ardmore, Oklahoma, visiting relatives for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm M. Meek left today for Fort Worth and Vernon where they will spend a ten-days vacation.

W. F. Rollins, representative of the Gulf Pipe Line company, is here from Fort Worth transacting company business.

Mrs. E. S. Briant, Mrs. E. E. Sturn and Miss J. Nolan of San Angelo are visiting here today. They are registered at Hotel Scharbauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Adams moved to Midland yesterday from San Angelo. He is associated with the oil business.

John W. Doss, scout for the Republic Production company, is transacting business in Midland today.

Miss Harde Wilkinson of Stanton spent Monday afternoon visiting in Midland.

Miss Virginia Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hale, left today for Big Spring where she will undergo an appendicitis operation. As soon as she is able, she will be removed to her home here for a few weeks before returning to school at Alpine.

Mrs. B. Reagan, president of the district W. M. U. and Mrs. K. S. Beckett, president of the association W. M. U., were in Midland Monday afternoon to hear Mrs. Eugene Sallee, missionary from China, speak at the Baptist church.

Mrs. E. R. Fletcher and Mrs. W. M. McKnight of Odessa shopped in Midland Monday afternoon.

Miss Drotha Johnson has returned from Big Spring where she spent the week end visiting her mother.

E. B. Dilly of the Atlantic Production company is here from his home in San Angelo.

SHOP WITH NELL G. Dear Jean: You know how much trouble it is to select gifts for men. I have worried as to what I should give my brother and brothers-in-law. But while shopping around yesterday I saw some of the loveliest ties and handkerchief sets at Grissom-Robertson's. They are all in dark patterns—of both solid and fancy patterns. The salesman told me that the tie was strictly hand-tailored—of excellent quality silks with the handkerchief of solid color crepe-bordered in the same material as the tie. They come in a neat Christmas box and only \$2.00. They certainly solved my gift problem. Yours, Nell.

Announcements

Wednesday Wednesday club meets with Mrs. Leon Goodman as hostess and Mrs. Homer W. Rowe leader.

Fine Arts club meets with Mrs. John M. Shipley 3:30. Mrs. George Abell will be co-hostess.

Laf-a-Lot club members will be guests of Mrs. H. B. Dunagan at 2:30.

Ladies Aid society of the First Christian church will meet at the home of Mrs. J. T. Ragsdale at 1 o'clock for quilting.

Thursday Bein Amigos club entertained by Mrs. C. D. Hodges at 3 o'clock.

North Ward P. T. A. at the school building at 3:30.

South Ward P. T. A. meets at the school building at 2:30.

Party Attends Workers' Convention In Coahoma Today

The Rev. and Mrs. George F. Brown, Mrs. H. B. Dunagan and Mrs. B. C. Girdley left Midland this morning for Coahoma where they are attending the monthly Big Spring Associational Workers' conference.

A distinguished speaker of the day was Mrs. Christine Coffee Chambers, returned missionary from China, who spoke at 2:15 on foreign missionary work.

The programs for both morning and afternoon were given as follows: 10:00—Devotional by L. D. Hull. 10:15—Report on the Amarillo convention by S. B. Hughes. 10:30—"Are Some of our churches and preachers tolerating levity to such an extent that sinners are repelled?" A. D. Leecher. 10:45—"Does God hold all nations responsible for national and personal sins?" by George F. Brown. 11:00—"Past successes and blessings upon our work," by J. C. Heath. 11:10—"When will Jesus come again?" by Rev. Derr. 11:20—"The Christian's duty until Christ returns," by J. W. Sailors. 11:30—"What will happen when Jesus comes?" by Rev. Goodman. 11:40—"Present opportunities for successes in world-wide mission work," by Rev. R. E. Day. 12:30 Luncheon. 1:30—Hymn, "Send the Light." Prayer. Devotional, Mrs. L. E. Jobe. Prayer, Thanksgiving for consecrated lives. 2:15—Talk on F. M. work by Mrs. Chambers. 3:00—Report of the W. M. U. convention by Mrs. A. L. Cone.

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INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE MANAGERS MUST FILE NAMES OF PLAYERS

SIX O'CLOCK IS THE DEAD-LINE OF LISTING

Managers and members of the Midland Industrial Basketball league are rushing to complete their list of names to be filed before six o'clock today. The league rules call for filing of each player's name, by the manager of the team he is to represent, and once this list is filed there are no changes permitted. Hence the rush for likely recruits that has been going on, and if there is any likely candidate who has not been approached by at least one or more ambitious managers, he just must have been hid-

ing out. Players, once they are registered with a team, agree to play with that team for the entire season, and may not change from one team to another. This is in fairness to all.

Wednesday evening a regular meeting of the league will be held at seven-thirty in the chamber of commerce office, and all matters will be cleared up for the grand opening on Thursday.

Managers are requested to please take notice of a correction in the official schedule. On December 29, the California Company will play Texas Electric, instead of the Midland Clinic.

Seven telephone calls were all that were necessary yesterday, and seating facilities for spectators at the basketball games, scheduled for opening tonight and Thursday evening at the Midland gymnasium were arranged. Seven Midland merchants

With the CAGERS

By R. C. HANKINS.

The first of the loopers were out Monday afternoon for practice. Reporter-Telegram, which I have been thinking boasts a motley crew of sharpshooters, was out with three men. From 5 until 6 these three received a good work-out holding up a ladder so that lights might be bracketed in protection against flying basketballs during the season. Each of the three looped a few shots and went to the showers as Hughes Tool came on the court with seven men. Later there were 10 from this team that hails from the southwest section of the city. Hughes tossed the ball around barely long enough to get warm then cut the preliminaries and got down to business. The boys ranged themselves in a circle and began some snappy passing. Whoever wins the loop will have to brush against some tough competition with Hughes Tool.

The team that can pass, hit the "crip" shots and makes the free throws will be the club that goes farthest this year in city basketball. The ceiling of the gym is crossed and re-crossed by braces and conduits. No long shots will be very certain. The club that moves the ball about best is the one in line for honors.

The Sunday school league plays tonight, beginning at 7:30. The Baptists and Christians meet in the first game, the Methodists and agreed to donate a bench twenty feet long, for seats along the sidelines, and their names are to be represented there-on. Wm. Cameron Lumber Co., Midland Drug store, Burton-Lingo Lumber Co., The Rexall stores, Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co., Midland Hardware Co. and the Rockwell Brothers Lumber Co.

Members of both the Midland Industrial league and the Midland Sunday School league, asked that thanks to the above merchants be published for the kind and generous co-operation.

Presbyterians in the next, according to schedule. Whether all these clubs are ready to go is unknown. There has been no report made from any of them save the Methodists, who openly say they intend winning the loop. They started out the other night, Saturday, by working over the Ioemen's entry in the commercial league.

All entries in the commercial loop must be in by 6 o'clock this afternoon or drop out of the running. The name of each man qualified for the season must be written and turned in. From the moment of turning in the list no one else may join a given club, neither can players interchange in the loop.

Prairie Lee Boosters

The Prairie Lee Literary society was organized Friday night, with the following officers: Mr. Laceywell, president; Mrs. Bill Arnett, vice-president; Maggie Lou Hughes, secretary; Miss Carpenter, scribe.

The first Friday night in each month was decided on as meeting night. The officers were designated as the program committee, while Misses Joe Hughes and Gettie Dawkins were named on the membership committee.

After organizing, contests were held in spelling and arithmetic. Miss Carpenter, Maggie Lou Hughes, Juanita Wren proved to be the champion spellers, while Maggie Lou Hughes stood out as one of the best mathematicians.

Every one interested in a literary society is invited to meet next month.

A Christmas tree, with a program and Santa Claus, was decided on Sunday night. J. M. King was elected chairman of preparations; Beth-el Graham and Mr. King will get a tree; Mrs. Bill Arnett and a committee will decorate the tree and a special invitation will be sent to Santa Claus asking him to attend the tree and program at the Greenwood church on Christmas eve night.

Not only is Santa invited to be present but every family living in either Prairie Lee, Stokes, or surrounding communities is invited to come out that night. Miss Anna Lee King has already begun work on the program by casting the parts for "The Christmas Party," a play to be given.

"Aren't they bright?" "My, I bet Mr. King is glad of this. He will not have to worry with the pump each night." "Are they all connected up?" "Say, this is as it should be, is it not?" These and similar expressions of appreciation and gratitude could be heard on all sides Sunday morning and night when it was found that the electric lights had actually been installed the week before. Several people made it possible. Almost the entire church and community, as a matter of fact.

Mr. King, Mr. C. F. Garison, and Mr. King's daughter, Mrs. C. F. Garison, of Midland, together gave \$100. Then Mr. King and his finance committee, W. E. Pigg, J. C. Brooks and Bethel Graham, raised a part of the remaining seventy-five dollars by subscriptions. The rest is yet to be raised. Mrs. Black, of Black Electric, gave the bulbs and Mr. Pigg, Mr. King and two of his boys, did the wiring.

Mr. J. Wren's family has been sick with sore throat and tonsillitis, almost verging on "flu" the last week or more.

Through the courtesy of Judge Hill, much needed teacher's desks and five chairs were added to the school furniture Saturday. These chairs will be used for visitors, thus

British Speed Ace To Try for Record

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. (UP)—Capt. Malcolm Campbell, British racing driver, who established a world's land record of 206.956 miles per hour at Daytona Beach, Fla., in 1928, only to have it twice broken, will return to this country for another try.

Campbell advised the Contest Board of the American Automobile association that he intends to make another attempt to regain his record.

The existing mark of 231.362 miles an hour was also made at Daytona in 1929 by the late Sir H. O. D. Segrave.

In announcing Campbell's decision to race against the time set by Maj. Segrave, the contest board stated that Daytona was the logical place for this event. While plans have not yet been completed for a 1931 time race, it was said elaborate preparations are being made in Florida for speed tests between January 1 and February 15.

Sport Popular

Evidence of popularity in the sport has recalled to memory past records of famous men. In 1903 Henry Ford drove a Ford "999" at the rate of 91.370 miles per hour to set a record.

Ford's mark was shattered in 1905 helping to fill the score card for standardization. "There is one man who will do all he can to help build up the rural schools, we believe that man to be Judge Hill. On more than one occasion he has shown his desire to better rural schools," according to Mr. Laceywell.

Wednesday night saw a fine group of intermediates gathered with Mrs. Laceywell for a B. Y. P. U. social at her home. After a few hours of fun, popcorn was popped and served to some twenty or more youngsters.

forced to close on Sunday, real golf was permitted.

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Early in 1927 Major Segrave came to the United States with the intention of setting a new world's record. He had with him his famous Sunbeam car which he hoped would go over 200. On March 29 of that year he made history for automobile racing by traveling 203.790 miles per hour.

18 Paralysis Cases To B'Spring Clinic

BIG SPRING, Dec. 9.—Eighteen victims of infantile and other forms of paralysis, including children and adults were brought before Dr. Simms Driver, noted specialist, here Saturday at the free clinic sponsored by the local Rotary club. Three Stanton and one Midland resident attended the clinic. Dr. Driver obtained data on each of the cases and after studying he will give instructions to the family physician to each of the patients. Dr. Driver was brought to Big Spring by the Big Spring Rotary club. He is a member of the Carrol-Driver clinic of Dallas and is associated with the Shrine hospital for cripple children at Dallas.

SUNDAY GOLF BANNED

CONCORD, N. M. (UP)—Sunday golf has been banned in New Hampshire. The ruling applies to both real golf and the Tom Thumb game. The action was taken because of complaints from miniature course operators that while they were

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LURE OF RICHES GREAT AID TO OIL PROMOTERS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 9. (UP).—The "get rich quick" lure of oil producing areas is irresistible.

Within two years after the discovery of the Oklahoma City pool, scores of promoters, and confidence men have edged into the ranks of legitimate operators to reap huge profits.

Elaborate offices opened shortly after news of the famous wild Mary Sudik and Morgan-Stout gushers was announced.

Each new promoter had new schemes for the gullible public.

Many of these operators have been under the surveillance of postal authorities for a year. More recently the Better Business bureau here has opened an investigation of alleged fraudulent promotion.

First Blow

The government struck its first blow last summer by arresting S. E. J. Cox. Cox, a debonaire business man, served a 33-month sentence in Leavenworth with Dr. Frederick Cook, arctic explorer, in a Fort Worth oil fraud scheme.

Operation of Cox's Universal oil and gas company, now in receivership, is typical of many operations here, Roy St. Louis, United States district attorney, said.

"Loop holes in state blue sky laws makes mail fraud our only recourse for prosecution," Lewis said.

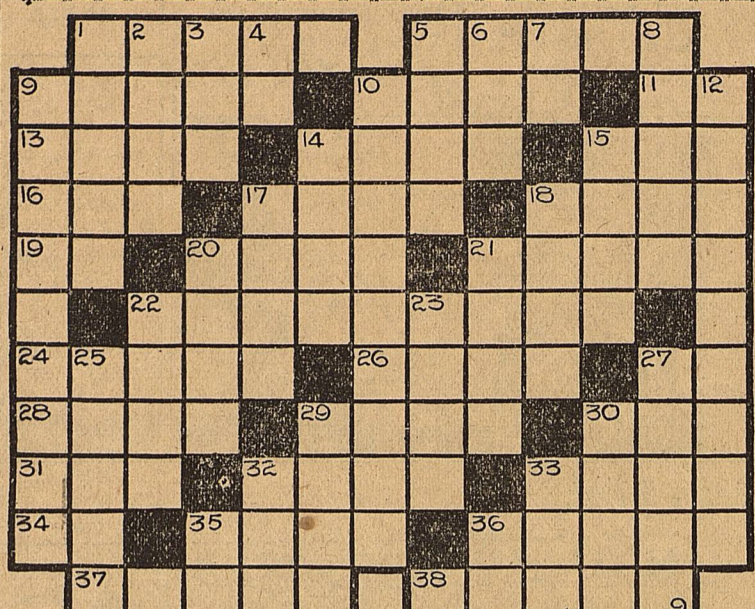
H. G. Mitchell, head of the Oklahoma City Better Business bureau, told the United Press the mulcting of the public is a detriment to raising capital for oil development. Already, retail merchants complain of a shortage in purchasing power by wage earners who have invested money in unit shares.

The real hitch to the share holder is proration.

For conservation and market purposes, Oklahoma producers, cooperating with the state corporation commission, limit the production of oil on a proration basis.

In the Oklahoma City field, the current order requires all wells must be shut in after an eight hour test flow for 65 days. Then they may produce four hours each 12-day period if all underproduced wells in the field are caught up. Thus the net return from a 24,000 barrels gusher under proration would be less than \$1,000 monthly, giving each \$100 share holder a monthly income of \$2.50 if the well maintains its initial flow, a case seldom known in the field, veteran operators said.

Author Question



HORIZONTAL

1 Where is the Louvre?
5 Frenzy.
9 Bundles.
10 Shoe bottom.
11 To exist.
13 On top of.
14 To halt.
15 Seed bag.
16 Falsehood.
17 Hammer.
18 Mohammedan judge.
19 Toward.
20 Slave speaking person.
21 Burdened.
22 Cuts of pork.
24 Morning church service.
26 Fiber knots.
27 Chaos.
28 Foretoken.
29 Inures.

VERTICAL

1 Courtyard.
30 Because.
31 To rot flax.
32 Stepped.
33 To whip.
34 Half an em.
35 To wait.
36 Saucy.
37 Metal.
38 Range.

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Norfleet's Strangest Case

EDITOR'S NOTE: When Frank Norfleet, noted detective who grew up on West Texas ranches and who now lives in Hale Center, was in Midland a few days ago he told the story being related in this newspaper. It is the strangest bit of detective work in which he ever engaged. He has hunted a criminal from Texas to Arkansas and has been washed down the Mississippi in a flood. Able to swim ashore at last, he finds himself near a small town, Lamar, near Panama, Ark. He opens the door of a small restaurant hoping to get something to eat. What he sees inside makes him withdraw his head quickly from the room.

Norfleet dodged back as much from the death-like quietness of the place as much as from what he had seen. The air of the big room was freighted with an approaching calamity. Norfleet did not have to look more than once under the rude ladder near one wall and the infiltration of light from the ceiling to see that hunters and hunted were about to stage a duel to death there. Those two grotesque trunks that poised dramatically along the floor were the legs of a man who was in the loft. The very absence of mobility told him whoever was in the loft was listening at something that warned him against descending the ladder.

Coats and jackets and sweaters hung on the rough ladder. Beneath the screen of these would be the logical place for the stalker. Norfleet peered in again. In the near-darkness of the interior he saw a slight motion. The heel of a man's shoe. The man was lying under the inclined plane of the ladder, half covered in overcoats and the darkness.

Without knowing why he did so, Norfleet slipped into the room. He made no noise as he walked on the rubber heels of his cow boots. A table had been overturned near the door and he crouched down behind this. Through a knot-hole in the rudely fashioned table he waited for the beginning of the drama.

This was not slow in starting. One of the shadows on the floor moved—ever so slightly. Still no noise from the mummy-like figure behind the ladder. Norfleet, watching closely, thought he could detect a ripple on the top of a pile of clothes, however. Possibly the figure there had moved.

"Gun play," he thought, automatically.

There was the slightest click as the detective pulled his own gun and cocked it.

The other shadow stirred. Whoever was in the loft was about to come down.

A truncated bulk flowed into relief on the floor as the man in the upper story moved downward. Another shadow came into the drama, someone who evidently stood near the hesitant man.

Suddenly there was a cat-like descent on the ladder. A lithe figure was climbing down. Behind him came a woman. Hesitating midway in his climb, the man's face was caught in a gleam from one of the chinks. Where had the detective seen that face before?

Faces danced through his mind in that brief moment before action and death was to transform the quiet

restaurant along the Mississippi into a slaughter pen.

The man was a noted bank robber of Oklahoma!

"Stay like you are!" a voice cried out. From another pile of clothing suddenly emerged the body of a man across the room, a dull gleam centering in his hand. "Careful now. Reach for the ceiling. You're under arrest."

"Who—me?" the bandit on the ladder said, his voice frigid with purpose. "Ha, ha, ha—a-a-a!"

His chilling laugh broke on action. Almost mechanically, it seemed, and in a flash, two guns appeared as if by magic in his hands and amber flames stabbed the semi-darkness.

But he was too late. The detective saw the man under the ladder shoot first. The man across the room was not hit. The bandit crumpled up and tumbled from the ladder. His woman leaped to the floor and screamed. The odor of warm blood arose.

The two men who had lain in wait for the bandit were Oklahoma officers who had traced him to the little town. They ordered ham and eggs to be cooked and, finding no one had stayed through the shooting, went into the kitchen and did the cooking themselves. Norfleet, although he had not eaten for many hours, could not think of food with the odor of blood hanging over the place. He left.

He had to find Mr. X. Why couldn't he keep out of such affairs as he had just witnessed?

Or would the incident aid him in his search for the murderer of Norfleet's friend, Connor?

(To be continued.)

KITTEN SAVES HER LIFE

WATERLOO, N. Y. (UP).—Mrs. Louis H. Keary always has been fond of her pet kitten, but she is fonder of it now. Mrs. Keary passed the kitten in her yard and stooped over to pet the animal. As she did so, a bullet whizzed just above her head. The shot was blamed on small boys.

PUMPKIN WEIGHS 104 POUNDS

WALNUT BRIDGE, Ark. (UP).—Abe Blackwell, farmer near here, is "champion pumpkin grower in Arkansas," according to his friends. He recently raised two pumpkins weighing 104 and 86 pounds. One is 32 inches long.

STEAM SHOVEL BANNED

LUDLOW, Mass. (UP).—This town has banned the steam shovel during the current period of economic distress on the ground that it deprives men of employment.

The "harpy," tufted or crested eagle, is the rarest and most terrible of our eagles. It can outfly and kill in the air any living thing. It kills by striking a low with its feet doubled up like fists.

S. F. Hazelett, who is associated with the Shibley Oil company, is a business visitor in Midland today. His home is in Graham, Mo.

Visit the Gift Shop for your Christmas Gifts. Open from 1 p. m. until 8 p. m. 311 Carrizo. Mrs. Frank Herrington. 234-15z

Christmas

IN GENEVA

GENEVA, Dec. 9. (UP).—Christmas will be celebrated at Geneva this year in the rather desultory manner that has become the custom for past centuries.

This is not because the children love Santa Claus, or rather "Pere Chaland," as he is known here, less than the children of other countries, but because they love some one else much more.

The annual celebration for the latter individual takes place ten days before Christmas. It lasts for three days, so Geneva children have only a sort of secondary enthusiasm for Christmas.

What makes Christmas of so little importance is the fact that the greatest national and patriotic festival takes place from Dec. 11 to 13. This is the famous "Escalade," dating from Dec. 12, 1602 when Geneva successfully saved itself from a surprise, night attack by the Dukes of Savoy and retained its independence.

The historic personage of this festival is "Mere Royaueme."

As the army of the Dukes of Savoy put up their scaling ladders, from which comes the "Escalade," name of the festival, and the head of the first Savoyard appeared in what was "Mere Royaueme," who with a pot of boiling oil led the defense that resulted in defeat of the attacking army.

The "Escalade" this year will be celebrated in the manner that has now become traditional with three days of masked carnival, costume balls and other festivities. Every store is displaying reproductions of "Mere Royaueme's" boiling pot made in everything eatable from chocolate to fancy pastry.

As a consequence when Christmas comes most of the "little ones" of Geneva and quite a few of the "big ones" are just recovering from the three days of carnival, with the result that the celebration of the day takes a very secondary place.

Visitors Invited To New Court House

Ladies of surrounding towns are specially invited to be at home in the new \$300,000 court house while in Midland.

The fine new building is equipped with a rest room for women which is luxuriously furnished and, of course, is entirely free to all women. A large room is provided where women may take their children for them to rest, or even sleep. Cold drinking water is available, and all other conveniences offered.

The Midland county free library joins the special rooms provided by Midland county for visiting women and ladies are invited to use the library, read magazines, and books and rest themselves while in Midland.

This court house is within a block of the business area, so women may spend the day here and not be tired out by being on their feet all day. All visitors will be welcomed guests at the Midland county court house.

Route Depends on Election Result

BIG SPRING, Dec. 8.—The people of Big Spring were informed this week through the highway commission that Highway No. 1 will not be re-routed to miss Coahoma or off of third street in Big Spring if the county road bond issue is passed here December 23. The statement was obtained by Judge H. R. Debenport through W. A. French, division engineer following a conference with W. R. Ely, chairman of the highway commission.

Community meetings will be held each evening beginning Monday December 8 and lasting to December 20 prior to the election to be held on December 23, according to M. H. Morrison, Chairman of the Howard County Good Roads association.

Banks Consolidate At Grandview Today

GRANDVIEW, Dec. 9. (AP).—The First National bank today absorbed the Farmers & Merchants National bank here. Officers of the First National are in charge of the consolidated institution.

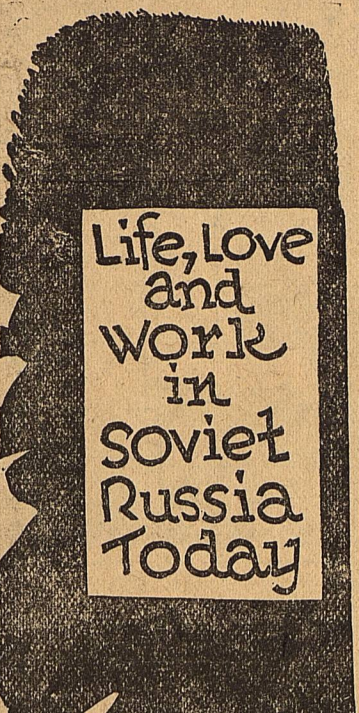
TEAMS READY

Buster Howard's Christian church cagers are ready to take the court against the Baptists tonight, Howard said this afternoon. His club is said to boast an edge over the Baptists, although the latter church is lining up formidable men who, if whipped into a good passing and shooting machine, may make it hard for the four teams in the church loop. The Methodists take on the Presbyterians after the finish of the Christian-Baptist game.

MOVES BACK HERE

John W. Crowley, who has been living in Big Spring for the past several months, has moved back to Midland to make his home.

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Russia's voiceless millions!
For generations that phrase has been used to describe the great mass of the people of Russia—a land that has been shrouded in mystery from time immemorial.

The leaders of Russia have often been described and interviewed; and the theory of government under which Russia operates has been explained over and over again. But little has ever been printed regarding the daily lives of those voiceless millions.

The Reporter-Telegram is now printing an unusually interesting series of stories that lifts the veil and shows how they live, what they eat, what sort of homes they occupy, what their family is like.

These stories tell, for instance, what the Russian citizen hears when he turns on his radio; how he brings up his children; how he arranges the matters of marriage and divorce; what he eats for dinner; how he feels about religion—and so on.

TODAY'S STORY IS ON PAGE 2.

MISS BRYAN RETURNS

Miss Ruth Bryan, formerly secretary to the secretary of the chamber of commerce, has returned to Midland from Andrews, where she was employed for several months.

Class B Teams Play in Snyder

The West Texas regional football championship of Class B schools will be played at Snyder Friday between the Snyder Tigers and the Albany Lions. The Snyder team beat Stanton in the bi-district Friday, 31-0, and Albany beat Stephenville, 26-0.

The first kick-off is at 2:30. Col. Easterwood of Dallas has been invited as the guest of honor at the game.

Denver Line to Start in a Month

LUBBOCK, Dec. 9. (AP).—F. E. Williams, Chicago, president of the Burlington Rail lines, today announced that actual construction of a 112 mile line of the Ft. Worth & Denver Northern railway from Childress to Pampa, would start within three weeks.

\$6,300 Raised for Charity in B'Spring

BIG SPRING, Dec. 9.—Total subscription to the community chest fund has reached \$6,300 according to Carl Blomshield, chairman of the drive. The drive will continue until the goal of \$10,000 is raised with which to care for the work of the boy scouts, Red Cross, and Salvation Army.

This will be the first year that the community chest plan has been put into operation in Big Spring, heretofore all calls for funds have been handled individually. The Salvation Army will handle the charity situation for the city, said Mr. Blomshield.

Cotton Offices in Cairo May Close

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 9. (AP).—The government was reported today intending to close temporarily the cotton futures market owing to a continued sharp price decline.

CLUB GIVES MAGAZINES

Letters have gone out in the mails during the past two days, to county school principals, informing them that the Lions club will be glad to supply magazines in any number needed for readers' consumption. More are ready to be supplied when the present stock is depleted, the letter informed.

Market Report

Declining 10 to 12 points with December and January positions making new seasonal lows the cotton market today resisted pressure and steadied around noon. May came within 6 points of its low for season and other months were very close to their lows made on Oct. 8. Opening 4 to 6 points lower and these were extended for a time on liquidation by Wall Street commission houses and local traders.

Some scattered hedge selling by wire houses. Larger blocks of January and May were taken by trade houses. Toward noon some short covering helped lift prices point or two. Japanese interests also accounted for some of the buying.

Christian Pastor Faculty Member

The Rev. Howard Peters and Mrs. Peters are attending nightly the leadership training school in Big Spring. Mr. Peters is a member of the faculty and Mrs. Peters is taking a special course. The curriculum is under the general supervision of Dr. Chas. Marion Ross of Fort Worth.

Ruth Nichols Hops On Record Attempt

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9. (AP).—Miss Ruth Nichols took off at 7 o'clock this morning, attempting to lower the men's and women's west to east transcontinental flight records.

Miss Nichols lowered the woman's westward record last week.

Today she is flying high, and is planning one stop, Wichita, where she may spend the night.

OLD PRIEST DIES

SAN JOSE, Calif., Dec. 9. (AP).—The Rev. Herome Sixtus Ricard, "patrie of the rains," 80, a member of the Society of Jesus for 59 years, an astronomer and a scientist, died of heart disease during the night. The Catholic priest has been ill since April of last year.

WALKS LAID

Southern Ice & Utilities has completed laying a new stretch of sidewalk leading from the utilities office to the feed store of Bob Hill.

School Matinees At Polar Picture

A special matinee for school students has been arranged Wednesday and Thursday, when "With Byrd at the South Pole" is presented at the Ritz theatre.

The educational value of this picture has been written of to great length by schoolmen over America. For the first time in the history of the world has there been arrived at a graphic manner of illustrating the features at the north pole.

The picture has been one of the and drama and constantly keeps uppermost in the attention of the picture-viewer admiration for those who went away those long months and suffered that science might have a fuller comprehension of the south polar region.

The picture has been on eof the most popular box office attractions of the year.

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sheds with a total length of 2,750 feet. During the last year a new coastwise dock was built with a shed 400 feet long and 150 feet wide, and a coastwise ore dock equipped for loading vessels and with a bin capacity of 7,000 tons.

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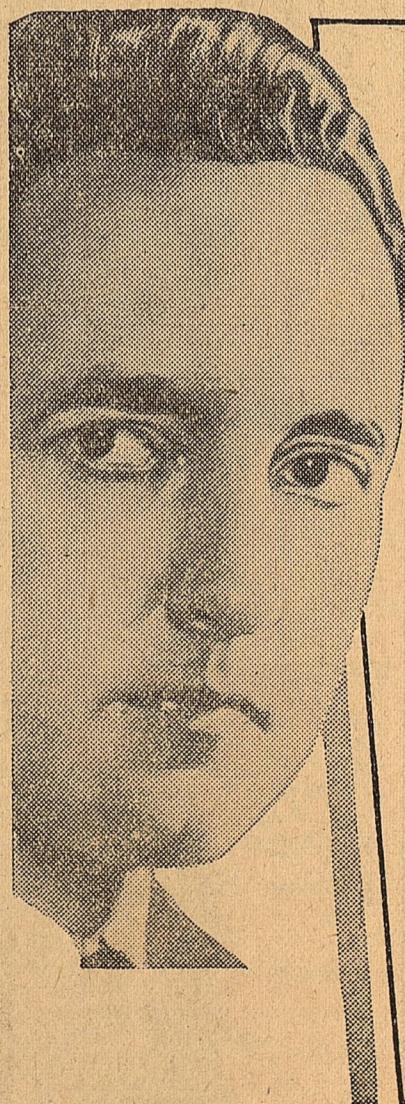
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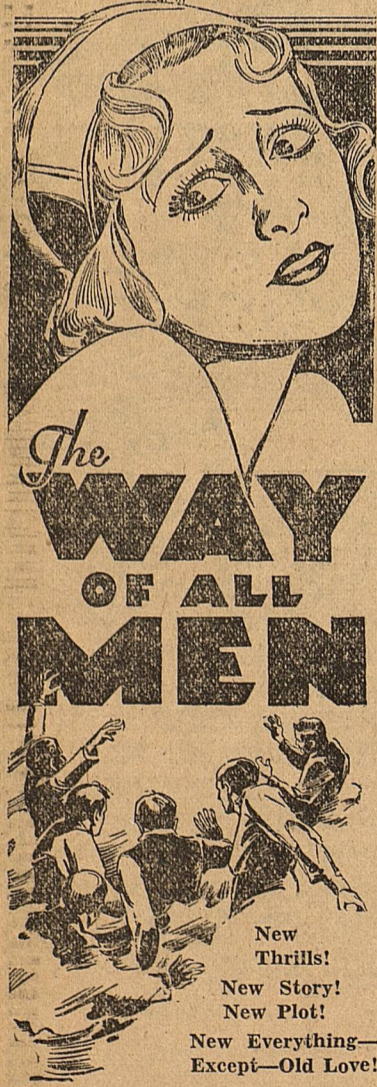
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