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## TROOPS CHECK ACTIVITIES OF AMAZON ARMY

Women Mobilize at Cherokee, But Wage No Offensive; Cavalry Patrols Out.

*By United Press.*  
PITTSBURG, Kan., Dec. 15.—Rioting in southern Kansas coal fields by the "Amazon army" appear checked at least temporarily, with the arrival of national guard troops in the disturbed district. Sheriff Gould of Crawford county received word early today that several hundred women were mobilized at Cherokee and are gathered around the mines there, but are not taking an offensive against workers. Franklin, heretofore headquarters of the "Amazon army" also was reported quiet. State troops already on the ground include large numbers of mounted cavalry which will at once be distributed over Crawford county to patrol the mine fields.

## PRYOR LOSES PLACE ON STATE PRISON BOARD

*By United Press.*  
AUSTIN, Dec. 15.—W. E. Pryor was today ousted from the office of prison commissioner. Under an order of Judge Cooper Sansom of the Travis county district court, the office of prison commissioner is declared vacant.

Governor Neff is to make an appointment to fill the vacancy and he probably will appoint Walker Scales of Breckenridge, who has been serving during Pryor's suspension. Appointment is expected to be made this afternoon. In Pryor's answer to the petition filed by the attorney general, at the instance of Governor Neff, for his removal from office, he admitted that during the time he was prison commissioner, and up to the time of the suit for ousting him was filed, he "kept boarders for profit" using state property for that purpose, in violation of article 372 of the penal code. He denied all other allegations contained in the petition.

The order removing Pryor declared that he is "guilty of malfeasance in office as charged in plaintiff's petition in that he used the state's property in keeping boarders for profit, in violation of article 372 of the penal code."

## YOUNG MAN ADMITS HE KILLED TEACHER

*By Associated Press.*  
WAUKON, Iowa, Dec. 15.—Earl Throst, 26 years old, confessed Wednesday that he killed Miss Inga Magness, 23-year-old school teacher, near Dorchester Monday, because she had "turned him down flatly," the sheriff's office announced. "I couldn't sleep Sunday night and spent most of the night walking around the vicinity of Dorchester," the prisoner continued. "I went to the schoolhouse late Monday afternoon. The children had all gone home and Inga was alone. We quarreled in the schoolroom. She went into the basement to fix the fire for the night. I followed and we quarreled again. I struck her over the head. She turned around again and I hit her two or three times. Then I left. She did not fight back."

## FISHER ALSUP LIBEL CASE IS AFFIRMED

AUSTIN, Dec. 15.—The court of criminal appeals Wednesday affirmed the judgment of the county court of McLennan county, assessing a fine of \$2,000 against Fisher Alsup for libel of Pat M. Neff during his campaign for governor. According to the record Alsup caused to be published an article which questioned the age of the governor and reflected upon his reputation. The veracity of the Neff family Bible was also attacked and statements were made with reference to inscriptions on headstones in Coryell county. "There is nothing in the record which warrants a reversal of the judgment," says the opinion which was written by Presiding Judge W. C. Morrow.

## GARDNER EN ROUTE TO PRISON AT LEAVENWORTH

*By Associated Press.*  
PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 15.—Roy Gardner, who pleaded guilty here to a charge of attempting to rob the United States mails after he escaped from the federal prison at McNeil Island, Wash., where he was serving two sentences for robbing the mails, is en route for Leavenworth, Kan., where he will enter the federal penitentiary to serve sentences totaling seventy-five years.

## NEW METHODS!

*By Associated Press.*  
CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The police blotter recording the night's holdups today showed new departures by robbers in their methods of overpowering victims. Henry Kunz, a taxicab driver, was forced to give up his cab and money by a bandit who pointed a blazing gasoline torch at his head. A gang with a moving van took \$7,500 in valuables from three local homes, while a lone bandit armed with an army saber forced a pedestrian to hand over \$31.

## JUDGE LANDIS' BASEBALL JOB AGAIN ASSAILED

He's Barnstormer, as Bad as Babe Ruth, Congressman Says.

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Declaring Judge Landis is putting on a "spectacle of barnstorming as bad as Babe Ruth," representative Lee, Republican, today introduced a bill which would drive Landis out of his job as head of organized baseball.

The bill, if passed, will forbid any federal judge from holding any other salaried office. "By passage of this bill," Lee said, "the country would be spared the nauseating and incongruous spectacle which is being furnished by the attempt to combine in one person the dignity and importance of the bench with the levity of sport. "It will prevent Judge Landis from doing in the future that which Landis recently decreed is improper for Babe Ruth to do—that is, to defy prescribed duties in order to go barnstorming."

Lee said this bill, if passed, will put it squarely up to Chief Justice Taft whether or not a federal judge can engage in outside duties. The bill provides that an offending judge shall be called before the United States supreme court in open session, and if found guilty shall be censured and ordered to desist from outside occupation. Refusal to desist will be adjudged contempt of court.

## JACKSON ASKS \$20,312 FROM HART OIL CO.

*Special to the Times.*  
EASTLAND, Dec. 15.—Actual and punitive damages amounting to \$20,312 are asked in a suit filed this morning in the Eighty-eighth district court by N. L. Jackson of Ranger against the Hart Oil corporation.

The suit is a companion suit to that filed yesterday by A. S. Brooks of Ranger and results from the explosion of a gas pocket, which is alleged to have occurred in the road near a flow tank of the Hart Oil corporation north of Caddo. Jackson and Brooks were blown from a truck on which they were returning to Ranger by the explosion and both men burned about the face, hands and head. The complaints set forth that the gas was allowed to pass from the flow tank to the road where it formed a pocket by the carelessness and negligence of the defendant company.

## WOMAN SLAYER OF DALLAS NEGRO HELD ON MURDER CHARGE

*By Associated Press.*  
DALLAS, Dec. 15.—Miss Jeanne LaMoore, 26, charged with killing Ras Cooksey, 40, negro, Tuesday night in the federal building after she said he had attacked her, was in the county jail here today in default of \$2,500 bond, set late yesterday by United States Commissioner Davidson.

The complaint was filed by J. P. Huddleston, special agent for the department of justice. Miss LaMoore waived preliminary hearing.

## TRUCK DRIVER KILLED.

*By Associated Press.*  
AUSTIN, Dec. 15.—George Bengener, Jr., driver for the San Antonio Express, was killed early Thursday morning on the Austin-Granger road a few miles out of this city, when his truck, loaded with newspapers, tumbled over an embankment and overturned, pinning him underneath.

## THE WEATHER.

Tonight and Friday, cloudy; colder Friday except in south-east portion.

# A. Joseph Gets Diamonds Back

## DETAILS MAY HAND K. O. TO NAVAL HOLIDAY

Japan's Insistence on Big Ship Causes Britain to Ask for More.

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A complete agreement on limitation of naval armament was reached at a meeting of the "Big Three" today, Arthur J. Balfour, Britain's representative at the conference indicated. "We are through," Balfour tersely said after the meeting. He would make no further comment but indicated his word to be taken to mean that a settlement had been reached.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—America's proposal for a ten-year naval holiday in the construction of big battleships was endangered in the arms conference today.

British spokesmen made it plain that if Japan is to complete the Mutsu, Great Britain must be allowed to construct two "super-Hoods" or slightly smaller vessels during the proposed holiday.

Counter-Proposals Considered. Counter-proposals for realigning of the British navy to meet the Japanese retention of the Mutsu were considered by the big three at a meeting at 11 o'clock today.

These counter-proposals called for: 1. Construction of two super-Hoods and scrapping of four dreadnaughts and one battle cruiser. 2. Construction of two vessels of the Royal Sovereign type (smaller than super-Hoods), and scrapping of four dreadnaughts and no battle cruisers.

Virtually no work has been done on the super-Hoods thus far, making a considerable amount of construction necessary during the holiday if Britain is allowed them.

Under the agreement so far reached, Japan would have to scrap the Setsu if she keeps the Mutsu.

Increases Tonnage. The American and British, having acquiesced in principle to Japan's retention of the Mutsu, was ready to let America keep the Colorado and Washington, and thereby making America's total tonnage around 535,000 instead of the original 500,000 prescribed in the Hughes program. Japanese tonnage would be about 315,000 instead of 300,000.

The difficulty, however, is what to allow Britain; if she is granted the super-Hoods, the effect would be to increase her tonnage beyond the Hughes limit.

## KENTUCKY TROOPS HEM BREATHITT GANG IN CAVE

JACKSON, Ky., Dec. 15.—Three members of the band which raided the Breathitt county jail last Monday and killed one man, fatally wounded a woman and seriously wounded another, today were surrounded by state troops in a cave on John Little's creek, twelve miles from here. Captain Holbrook, of the state forces, plans to use gas in an effort to drive them out. The men were discovered in the cave late yesterday. Holbrook sent Alfred Noble, a friend of the fugitive trio, into the cave last night to ask the men to come out. They sent him word that when they came out it would be feet first.

Holbrook did not feel that his little force was adequate to hold both entrances to the cave, which extends through a hill between John Little's creek and Gunny creek, so he came back here this morning to get more men.

Bloodhounds also have arrived here, but the purpose for which they were brought was not stated.

## YOUR CHRISTMAS GIVING SHOULD HAVE YOUR ATTENTION RIGHT NOW!

Previously acknowledged \$42.17  
Fred Hight ..... 2.00  
E. A. Ringold ..... 5.00  
Mrs. E. E. Barton ..... 5.00  
Times Employes ..... 13.50  
Total ..... \$67.67

The Rotary club will go into action Thursday morning and through the sale of special edition of the Times on the street corners and by early deliveries at the home of various Ranger citizens seek to obtain a substantial sum for the Cheer Fund. Choice street corners in the downtown section will be auctioned off to the "Rotary Newsies" and are expected to bring top prices.

## EXTRA! SHORT SKIRTS INDORSED BY W. C. T. U.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—"The short skirt is hygienic, if nothing else can be said in its favor," Mrs. Elizabeth Middleton of Kansas City, director of world and national Women's Christian Temperance Unions, said yesterday in an address to a group of high school girls. "It is only natural that girls should want to wear short skirts," she said.

"Of course the length should be a happy medium but the short skirt and unrestricted waist are a boon to girls, because they are healthier."

The modern mother is a little lax, she declared. Cigarette smoking and drinking got a flying start during the war and things have not yet returned to normal, Mrs. Middleton said.

## MINE WORKERS ARE VICTORS IN CHECKOFF SUIT

Injunction Overthrown and Right to Organize in West Virginia Upheld.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Coal miners of America won a sweeping victory in the United States circuit court of appeals here today when the court upheld their claim to the right of operating the check-off system of collecting union dues.

The decision was handed down on an appeal by the United Mine Workers of America from an injunction issued by Judge A. E. Anderson in Indianapolis. Anderson's decision abolished the check-off system.

The circuit court ordered Judge Anderson to draft a new injunction giving the miners the right to fulfill existing contracts with mine operators in the central competitive field calling for the collection of union dues by the check-off method. The court also held that the miners should be restrained in their attempt to unionize the miners of West Virginia which the Borderland Coal company have been fighting for years, only insofar as their acts "immediately and directly interfere with the operation of the mines."

## SCRIP ISSUE GROWS DAILY; NOW \$21,000

By noon today more than \$21,000 in scrip had been issued by the Retail Merchants' association against accounts in the Farmers & Merchants State bank, or practically as much as the entire amount of scrip issued by the association in handling the assigned accounts of the Guaranty bank last summer. The fact that Christmas is approaching, coupled with additional expenditures necessary by the colder weather, has caused depositors to more generally take advantage of the opportunity to secure the use of their money now, instead of waiting until the bank is liquidated.

An average of twenty applications for scrip are being received daily, according to Secretary Burt of the association. On the receipt of an application, the account is immediately verified and in a few hours the scrip issued in any amount up to a maximum of 75 per cent of the account. The balance not received in scrip was paid in cash to the depositors as soon as the liquidation is over.

## SENT TO HOUSE AFTER HIS COOK TELLS OF PLOT

No Arrest Made; Woman Taken Away Because She "Fears for Life."

The two diamond rings stolen from the home of A. Joseph on the night of Dec. 7, were recovered late yesterday afternoon following the alleged confession of Cora Woods, negro cook, which is said to have involved several white persons in a plot to rob the merchant of his diamonds, either by hijacking methods or by a framed-up burglary.

The diamonds, sealed up in a box of medicinal powders, were delivered at the Joseph home yesterday by a Western Union messenger to the cook and later turned over to Chief of Police Luther Davenport and E. D. Richards, private detective of Dallas, brought here last Thursday to work on the case, it was stated this morning.

The negro woman claimed not to know who her alleged confederates were. Because of no direct evidence connecting the white persons with the robbery other than the statements of the negro woman, no arrest was made. The police have not accepted the woman's word that others were involved with her in the plot.

The woman was taken out of town this morning by the detective on her claims that her life was endangered by her "confession."

In her alleged confession, the woman is said to have claimed that her accomplices planned to hijack the merchant several days before the robbery and about the time that a suspicious character was seen about the Joseph garage.

Mr. Joseph this morning took occasion to express his appreciation for the work of the Ranger police, particularly that of Chief Davenport and Assistant Chief Reynolds. The evidence uncovered that partially supports the woman's claims is:

The testimony of the Western Union messenger, according to the detective, that he was met by a white man on a downtown street and given 50 cents to deliver the package to the Joseph residence.

The statement of a neighbor that on the night of the robbery he saw two white men drive up in a car in front of the Joseph residence, get out and enter the house and later drive away.

The statement of A. Joseph that several days before the robbery he found a suspicious character loitering about his garage, but suspecting that the loiterer was a hijacker, had parked his car in front of his home for the night.

The robbery at the Joseph home occurred while the owner was attending the Shrine dance. On his return, he found the negro woman apparently unconscious, and lying in front of a gas stove. On being revived she claimed that she had been attacked by a white man and knocked unconscious. The diamonds were found to be missing from the business suit of the merchant, from which he had forgotten to remove them on dressing for the dance. The police were notified and after making an investigation expressed the opinion that the diamonds had been stolen by the woman.

The Dallas detective reached here Thursday night and was assisted by the police in his search for the stolen jewelry. Following close questioning, the woman is said to have sent word to her accomplices that she could not stand the strain any longer and would have to squeal.

## COURT TO RULE ON USE OF PICKETS IN FORT WORTH STRIKE

*By Associated Press.*  
FORT WORTH, Dec. 15.—District President John E. Moore, Local President C. T. Bowen and Secretary M. H. Freeman of the Butcher Workers' union, which is directing the packing house strike, and twenty-two of their pickets were called into federal court here this morning to contest an anti-picketing injunction asked by Swift & Co.

## EX-PREMIER ASQUITH FAVORS ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The house of commons this afternoon resumed its debate on the Anglo-Irish agreement, the feature of the early proceedings being an address by former Premier Asquith, heartily commending the treaty for the acceptance of the house.

## THE UNGALLANT MALE!

*By United Press.*  
EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 15.—Meal tickets will be issued for the next junior prom at Northwestern university. Male students grabbed all the food before the girls got started to eat, the co-eds charged.

## HOME COMFORTS FOR PRISONERS IN CHICAGO JAIL

Luxuries Included "Spooning Rooms," State's Attorney Declares.

*By Associated Press.*  
CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Some of the prisoners of the Cook county jail had all the conveniences of home, according to Assistant State Attorney Wharton who, in his investigation of the escape of Tom O'Connor and his confederates, learned of the "love cell" in the jail, and the "bunny cage," a tiny anteroom to the bullpen.

The women witnesses, Wharton said, had described to him amazing things they had seen and one said that on one occasion three couples were in loving embrace as she passed the cage.

One of these prisoners was Clarence Sponagl, who broke both ankles as he jumped from the wall in Sunday's sensational jail delivery. Sponagl was frequently isolated in the "bunny cage" with his wife, and other prisoners enjoyed the same hospitality, said Wharton, "and one of the women told me that once her presence in the jail had interrupted the amours of the Sponagles."

Other information has reached Wharton that Mrs. Sponagl on one of her love visits passed her husband a revolver which O'Connor used so effectively in Sunday's escape. The statement that she had to pay \$5 to gain admission to the cage has led to the re-arrest of Mrs. Sponagl.

## GERMANS CAN'T MEET JANUARY PAYMENTS

*By Associated Press.*  
PARIS, Dec. 15.—The German government has informed the reparations commission that it will be unable to meet fully the reparations payments due Jan. 15 and Feb. 15, it was officially announced this afternoon.

## ASKS MORATORIUM.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The German government, it was announced today, has informed the committee of guarantee that it is impossible for her to meet the reparations payment due Jan. 15, and that consequently she asks a moratorium. If the moratorium is not granted, the German government expects to have resort to credit operations in order to procure the funds necessary by means of a loan.

## PHYSICIAN IS KILLED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas, Dec. 15.—Dr. S. B. Longino, well known physician, was instantly killed and former County Judge T. J. Tucker probably fatally injured by the east-bound Katy passenger train here Wednesday at noon when the automobile in which they were riding was struck at the South Davis street crossing. The car was carried about two blocks.

Judge Tucker is not expected to recover.

## DALLAS MAN TO ADDRESS EASTLAND LEGION MEET

*Special to the Times.*  
EASTLAND, Dec. 15.—Judge Arch C. Allen of Dallas will address the Eastland post of the American Legion at a special meeting of the post to be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Judge Allen, who served as a major during the war and who in civilian life has served as city, county and district attorney and county judge, will speak on "The Duties of Citizenship." The public has been invited to attend the meeting.

## HAYS MUST REST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Postmaster General Will Hays has been ordered by his physician to take a rest of at least ten days or two weeks, it was learned today at the postoffice department.

## COMMISSIONERS MEET TO DISCUSS ELECTION DEFY

Expected to Issue Statement in Regard to Challenge of Ouster Supporters.

*Special to the Times.*  
EASTLAND, Dec. 15.—County Judge C. R. Starnes and County Commissioners Webb, Camp and Robertson, who were challenged yesterday morning by the relators in the ouster suits, to submit their actions in office to a vote of the people, will meet tonight to discuss the challenge. It is expected that the officials will issue a statement following the meeting.

The challenge offered by the five relators and their attorneys offer to withdraw the ouster litigation against the three officials if they receive as much as one-third of the votes cast in an election, which the challengers proposed to hold on any one of three dates, namely, Dec. 31, Jan. 7, or Jan. 14. The offer to withdraw ouster proceedings is conditional on the officials agreeing to resign if they do not receive as many as one-third of the votes cast.

The challengers would give the officials their option of either holding the election in charge of the regular election officials or under the Democratic chairman of each voting precinct. The officials are guaranteed that they will not be called upon to bear any part of the expense of such an election.

## GRANDMOTHER BEING TRIED FOR MURDER OF BABY

ADRIAN, Mich., Dec. 15.—Presentation of testimony was expected to be completed today in the trial of Mrs. Mattie Kirby, charged with murdering the new-born child of her unmarried daughter.

Deputy Sheriff Shaw testified Mrs. Kirby told him the child had died because of ill treatment immediately following the birth. "Mrs. Kirby admitted the baby died because of her neglect," the witness declared. "She said she had to take care of her daughter and could not look after the child."

In order to cover up the "family disgrace," Shaw declared, Mrs. Kirby forced her daughter to dress and sit on the front porch two days after the child was born. Mrs. Kirby was a reform worker and had been active in W. C. T. U. and other such movements.

## MRS. KEYES CHARGES PRESSURE WAS USED TO OBTAIN CONFESSION

*By United Press.*  
WACO, Dec. 15.—The jury was expected to hold the fate of Mrs. Dessie Keyes, charged with being an accomplice in the alleged murder of her husband, before court adjourned today. The defense offered its evidence this morning and arguments were expected to be given this afternoon. The defense is attempting to produce evidence showing that county authorities used undue pressure in obtaining alleged confessions of Mrs. Keyes and W. C. Aven, who is charged with the murder of Keyes.

Sheriff Bob Buchanan will be put on the stand today. It was due to injuries he received during the Ku Klux Klan affray at Lorena that the Keyes trial was deferred until this time.

## T. & P. WAGE REDUCTION CONFERENCE OPENS

*By Associated Press.*  
DALLAS, Dec. 15.—Wage reduction conferences between officers and officials and employees of the Texas & Pacific railroad started here today. The road's receivers have posted a notice of a general cut of 10 per cent, effective Jan. 1.

## CISCO KLAN DONATES

*Special to the Times.*  
CISCO, Dec. 15.—The existence of the Ku Klux Klan here became known yesterday following the receipt of two donations received by Louis N. Stuckey, Methodist minister, and Mrs. W. J. Baker. Both donations were accompanied by communications signed by Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, No. 170, Cisco, Texas.

The letter received by the minister was shipped under his door and contained \$25 as a contribution to the Christmas fund. The \$50 donation received by Mrs. Baker is to be used to help defray the expense of an operation recently undergone by her husband, the communication states.

# RASPUTIN SLAIN MORE SAVAGELY THAN REPORTED

### Princess Tells How Poison Failed and He Was Shot in Back.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A new and, if possible, more revolting description than any yet published of how the degenerate Monk Rasputin was done to death in the palace of Court Yusupoff is given by General Knox, British military representative in Russia until the fall of the Kerensky drove him out. He had the story from Princess S— who had it from one of the participants in the "execution."

Rasputin, it seems, was induced—not without some difficulty, as he was growing apprehensive about the attitude of the Grand Ducal party towards him—to pay an evening visit to the house of Prince Yusupoff, husband of one of the grand duchesses. The party included Grand Duke Dmitri; Puriskevich, a member of the Duma; an officer named Sukotin, a doctor and Yusupoff himself. They had already made careful preparations to poison their guest after the most approved Italian medieval methods perpetuated in melodrama.

**Poisoned Wine.**  
"They had prepared port," the princess story goes, "a poisoned bottle on a side table, and an unpoisoned bottle, some poisoned pink cakes. At first Rasputin refused to drink, but later took three glasses of the poisoned port and ate several of the pink cakes."

"The poison seemed to have no effect, so it was decided to kill him by shooting. Yusupoff took Dmitri's revolver and took a seat at the table beside Rasputin, hiding the revolver in his left hand. He watched his victim for a long time and wondered what it would be like to shoot him. He imagined the look that would come into his eyes, the scream he would utter, and how the blood would spurt."

"He felt that he could not shoot him while sitting beside him, so he drew his attention to an old crucifix at the other side of the room, and as Rasputin walked over to look at it more closely, followed him and shot him in the back. Rasputin fell with a piercing scream. The doctor said he was in his death agony."

"Rasputin's body was left on the floor while the company discussed how it should be safely bestowed. But Rasputin was not dead, for forty-five minutes later Yusupoff found, to his surprise that his hands were still warm."

**Wounded Monk Dies.**  
Yusupoff was kneeling down to feel Rasputin's heart when the monk opened his eyes, the narrative continues, "and calling him a murderer, stumbled to his feet and got out of the door. They pursued him to the garden where, after a general fusillade, Puriskevich dispatched him with a bullet in the neck."

"The police came, but were quieted with a bribe of a hundred rubles and a story that Yusupoff had shot a dog. After the police had gone, Yusupoff's servant and a dornnik dragged the body back into the house. "At this point one of the party's nerves gave way and he became temporarily deranged, throwing himself on the body and digging his nails into the flesh so that he got up all covered with blood."

The creepiest Grand Guignol drama hardly ever surpassed this horrible scene of political vengeance. The feelings of the company while the plot was working up to its murderous climax, their efforts to engage their doomed victim in conversation so that he should not suspect what was in their minds, their tension as Rasputin walked to look at the crucifix with Yusupoff stealthily stalking him with revolver in hand, make up a complex of tragic emotions."

**Body Hidden in River Ice.**  
How Rasputin's body was taken at night and stuffed into a hole in the ice of the Neva is already known. Prince Yusupoff, one of the wealthiest of Russians in those days, now lives between Stockholm and Paris, with a hand in every scheme to restore Czardom in Russia. Grand Duke Dmitri Palvovich, a handsome blond man of distinguished appearance, is to be found in Europe's fastest pleasure resorts, among their fastest sets. The other actors in the tragedy are unknown to the outside world."

In killing Rasputin, they thought to save Czardom, but gave the signal for its destruction instead."

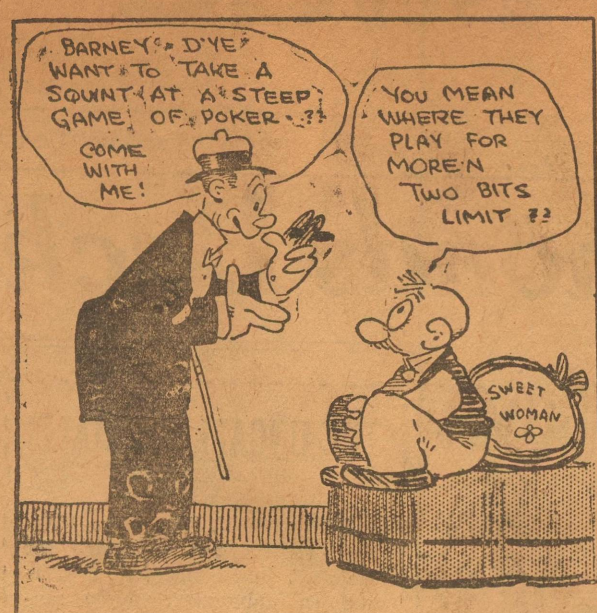
## EASTLAND K. P.'S WILL VISIT RANGER LODGE

Members of Eastland lodge No. 459 Knights of Pythias will attend the smoker of the Ranger lodge here tonight, at which time the third degree will be administered to two Eastland candidates. The smoker will be held in the Odd Fellows hall. A number of tyros from both lodges will go to Abilene on Saturday to receive degrees into the "Dokeys," which will be administered by a team from Azotis temple of Fort Worth.

## HELLO, DOCTOR!

An eight-pound boy was born to Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Palmer this morning at their home at 1014 Pershing street.

## That's the Only Way Barney Could Explain It



—By Billy De Beck

## RANGER ROTARIANS ATTEND EASTLAND BANQUET TONIGHT

A number of Ranger Rotarians and their wives will attend the Rotary banquet in Eastland tonight, given in honor of George C. Holmgreen, governor of the Eighteenth Rotary district, who will present the Eastland club with its charter today.

Mr. Holmgreen will address the Ranger Rotary club tomorrow at its noon luncheon.

## FARMER LOSSES SIGHT FROM GUN SHOT IN SON'S HANDS

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 15.—Hermon Pillsbury, a farmer living near Orlando, will lose the sight of both eyes from the effects of the accidental discharge of a shot gun in the hands of his small son.

He was preparing to go hunting and asked the boy to hold his gun while he put on his overcoat, when it accidentally discharged.

## THREE MEN SENTENCED IN \$1,000,000 MAIL ROBBERY

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 15.—Charles Schultz, convicted of conspiracy in connection with the Toledo \$1,000,000 postoffice robbery Jan. 17, last, was sentenced Wednesday to forty years in the Leavenworth penitentiary.

James Sansome, under conviction for conspiracy, was sentenced to thirty-five years and one day at Leavenworth.

Rev. Father Anthony Gorek, New Chicago, Ind., parish priest, who confessed that he received \$87,000 worth of stolen bonds from Wanda Urbaytis, was sentenced to one hour in the custody of the United States marshal.

## SLING A BRICK! CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—

"We need 50,000 bricks. Will you throw us one over the fence?" reads a sign on a small frame church here.

## FRENCH ADOPT BUDGET.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—After a session lasting twenty hours, the chamber of deputies at 7:45 o'clock this morning voted approval of the new budget, providing for expenditures of 25,140,000,000 francs and receipts of 24,827,000,000 francs. The government originally demanded 24,932,000,000 francs in receipts and the finance committee had proposed 24,953,000,000 francs.

The vote in favor of the budget bill was 521 to 75.

## SOOT YOURSELF.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Marooned for five hours on top of a hundred and fifty-foot chimney when a rope broke, Roy Sutton when rescued said he didn't suffer any from the cold and wind but about died for a lack of a smoke.

## DALLAS' FIRST TO FALL BEING BROUGHT HOME

DALLAS, Dec. 15.—The body of the first Dallas boy to make the supreme sacrifice overseas is coming home.

Calvin C. Low received a telegram from Brooklyn today informing him that the body of his son, John W. Low was expected to arrive there Dec. 18, and would be shipped at once to Dallas. The local American Legion post is named after Low.

## MEXICO WILL HAVE 24-HOUR TIME SYSTEM

JUAREZ, Chihuahua, Dec. 15.—Juarez is preparing to paint its clocks, for according to an official decree from Mexico City, at midnight Dec. 31, all Mexico will have a different system of time keeping. There are now twenty-four hours in the day, so designated on the clock. At midnight, Dec. 31, it will be zero o'clock. The next hour will be 1, the next 2, then 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 o'clock. Half and quarter past the hour will be similar to the old system—as half past 14 o'clock, etc.

## BOLL WEEVIL, MONEY CROP.

BRYAN, Texas, Dec. 15.—About 1,000 boll weevils have been purchased from Brazos county farmers by the Bryan Eagle, and sent to the Agricultural and Mechanical college at Fort Collins, Col., for experiments in means of destroying the pest.

## BROWNS GIVE EIGHT MEN FOR DANFORTH

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The first of a series of baseball trades in the big leagues was announced Wednesday when the St. Louis Americans traded eight players for Dave Danforth, star left-handed pitcher of the Columbus team of the American association.

The Browns will give up Emil Palmiro, Ray Saunders, William Burwell, Grover Loudermilk, all pitchers; Bill Gleason, second baseman, and three others players to be selected by the Columbus team later. Two of these will be available for the 1922 season and the others in 1923.

Announcement also was made that the Detroit American league club sold Chick Shotton to the Browns. Details of this transaction were not made known.

Danforth was one of the most popular members of the Columbus squad when it trained here last year.

## LIGHT WINE AND BEER WOULD FAIL TO SATISFY

There is a popular superstition to the effect that if the government permitted the sale of light wines and beers the majority of the opponents of prohibition would be satisfied, says William Slavens McNutt, in Leslie's Weekly.

How often have we heard the cry: "If they'd just let us have wine and beer I wouldn't kick!" I can't answer my own question. I don't know how often we've heard that cry. A rough guess would have been up for discussion during the last two years. "If we just had wine and beer!"

To all who think this I have a word to say. The word is "Bunk!" Bunk with a large B and a whole row of exclamation points to strengthen its meaning!

If we had light wine and beer free for all and on tap at public drinking fountains on every street corner, the majority of us, who are not total abstainers, would continue to live with a complaint on our lips and would still patronize bootleggers or sneak up back alleys in search of blind pigs whose hard hooch might be secured.

## ARMY OFFICERS MUST PAY INCOME TAXES

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 15.—It is announced at the internal revenue office in El Paso that army officers will no longer have the special exemption of \$3,500 on the income tax schedule. This will affect about fifty men at Fort Bliss.

The Woman's Trade union now has a membership of more than 1,000,000.

In Japan a woman must look upon her husband as if he were heaven itself.

Twenty-six per cent of the gainful workers in Philadelphia in 1920 were women.

## SOVIETS PROTEST AGAINST CHINESE R. R. DISCUSSION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Advice from Riga that soviet Russia has protested the discussion of the Chinese Eastern railway by the Washington conference has served to draw the attention of the conference circles to the rather complicated nature of this subject, which occupies a place on the American agenda.

## SEVEN PRISONERS ESCAPE FROM JAIL IN DES MOINES

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 15.—The jail-breaking epidemic spread to this city Wednesday when seven prisoners sawed their way out of the city jail and made good their escape.

## DAUGHTER OF A DOCTOR

AUSTIN, Dec. 15.—Montague county, Texas, has had three county judges to fill one office since the election on Nov. 2, 1920. W. T. Russell was elected to the office, but he died and A. L. Scott was appointed to fill the unexpired term on Jan. 12, 1921. However, Mr. Scott died and H. S. Calloway was appointed recently. His commission has been signed by Governor Neff.

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While the ball will be formal, on account of the above, men will be welcome in business dress if impossible to arrive in formal attire or costume.

It is the desire of the Shrine Club that all who can shall costume and all guests must be en masque.

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It is the wish of the Shrine Club that every Mason in Eastland County, his family and ladies, will be present for this affair and that everyone shall do his utmost toward making this the most enjoyable occasion of the year.

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# GEISHA GIRLS DISAPPEARING IN JAP CITIES

Wealthy Tourists Find Nip-  
ponese Hosts No Longer  
Hire Girl Entertainers.

By DUKE N. PARRY,  
International News Service Staff  
Correspondent.

TOKIO, Dec. 15.—From the thin-barred windows of the tiny home of the geishá, in Japanese cities, the odd note of the samisen, Japan's most typical musical instrument, is becoming less noticeable to the passerby. An institution in Japan, the geisha has been known to the foreign traveler for years; she has entertained the foreigner of importance and has been the cause of feuds, of political quarrels and of intrigues in Japanese public life. With her heavily-oiled black hair arranged to stand high on her head, her fantastic hair ornaments resembling in some ways the trinkets which adorn the American child's Christmas tree, her kimono of red and yellow, of blue and gold, she has been the bright picture of the Orient, the inspiration of the poet and the plaything of the new rich of her native land.

High prices are the cause of the decline in the Japanese geisha's prosperity. During the period from 1914 to 1918, when Japan, because of the demands of the great war, pushed out industrially and paid high prices for labor, fortunes grew by leaps and bounds. There was the need of the "rich man's plaything," the geisha, her costly parties and the wines that are a part of the true geisha evening. For the geisha has a distinction in that she is a means of entertainment. She poses, and she sings with the odd nasal tones that are considered music in none of the Western countries of the world. She is both the musical comedy of the American and the music-hall performer of the Britisher, as far as the Japanese is concerned, and her costly obis (rare old brocades used as wide kimono belts) are the envy of many of her less fortunate but prouder sisters. After the dancing and the wine there is the opportunity for the foreign visitor to choose his favorite among the Japanese women who have amused him. If he pleases her, if his purse is of sufficient bigness, he may call again. But that is all. There is none of the sordid detail, none of the crudeness which marks the woman of the underworld in many nations.

Reports from one Japanese city, in which the geisha business flourished during the great war, indicate the length to which the geisha's popularity has declined. In one month's time the 1,200 registered geishas in Kobe dropped to 1,033. In another month this number dropped to 819, and indications are that this figure will be still further reduced. There is no place in the budget of the one-time extravagant manufacturer for the costly geisha dinner of 1915 and 1916. His foreign guests must be content with a formal dinner at the home of his Japanese host; if the old subject of the geisha is mentioned there is an attempt at once to turn the subject into different channels, and the geisha party which the traveler so much desired is found to be impossible.

So serious have the problems of the geisha become in Tokio that one or two of the places in this city most famous for its geisha entertainments are on the point of closing. In Kobe several hundred geishas met recently and formed what has been known as the Central Geisha guild of Kobe. Yukidama, Kofuga, Kokichi, Omatsu and Hishashi, all veteran geishas of the city, were present at this meeting, and all were deeply interested in the statements of others that the geisha business, because of labor troubles and the increasing cost of living, was really on the decline. Advice was given the geishas present as to how best they might improve their chosen line of business, and the meeting adjourned after each geisha was presented with a tin of honey as a token.

So if there is an absence of the old color of Japan, a regret by the tourist that the samisen's weird twang is no longer a part of the night as is the whistle of the chop suey man and the screech of the vender of noodles there must be the reflection, too, that the wherewithal of the war days is lacking; that the dreaded H. C. of L. has invaded even in realm of the geisha

COMING TO U. S. FOR HONEYMOON



Mrs. W. L. George, only daughter of Mr. Herbert Geipel, J. P., of Old Hall, Coxwold, York, who was recently married to W. L. George, the well known novelist. Her interests are athletic and artistic; she is a fine tennis player and croquet player, having frequently distinguished herself in tournaments. She is also a talented pianist. During the war she served for three years in the ministry of munitions, where she achieved the distinction of being the first woman to attain the rank of section officer. She will shortly leave England with her husband for a tour of the U. S.

in mysterious, dreamy old Japan and made the war-time splendors impossible.

**INFANT FINE SPELLER**  
STEVENS POINT, Wis., Dec. 15.—John as Mediterranean, picallilli, deuteronomy, formaldehyde, acclamation, constitutional, dissipation, authoritatively and other similar words hold no terrors for Fern Waterman, 4 1-2 years old phenomenal speller, who lives in the Ozark hills, near Eldridge.

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POPULATION TO LOSE

Ranger has been awakened during the past few weeks. It had taken pride in being a tolerant, easy going town; not vicious, but at the same time not at all puritanical in its law enforcement.

Then the murder of Joe Fiebrich lifted the crust which concealed the pit, and Ranger was startled by suddenly acquired knowledge. It recalled all at once that it has residents whom it can well afford to lose; residents who assume to be a law unto themselves, willing to attain their own ends at any cost to others; residents who hold the penal statutes in contempt and make a living by their violation.

And from that day on, sentiment has daily become stronger that something must be done; that it must be done for the protection of those who live here and carry on honest avocations.

That murder showed that Rangersites were living in a powder factory, safe enough ordinarily, but with the constant danger that someone will cast a match into a keg.

Therefore, the city commission will have nearly unanimous support in its order to the police force to stop all liquor selling and gambling. That is a logical method of ridding the town of residents it does not need.

The situation is now up to the police force. They may not be able to stop these activities altogether, but they can make their carrying on so precarious that the traffic is not worth the risk, and that will automatically better conditions.

If they do not fail, they will soon be twelve or fifteen men now in Ranger who will either go to jail or find it to their advantage to move elsewhere. And Ranger will be well rid of them. The police know—or should know—who these men are. By making the watching of them a special order, their departure will be hastened.

Because of the fate of medicinal beer one can hear the ululations of the gentleman who manufactured dill pickles and pretzels.—Chicago News.

You just can't convince a thirsty man in the audience that those stage cocktails are anything less than the real thing.—New York Telegraph.

Mr. Volstead has shown himself to be a successful dry leader, but we would not advise him to run for president.—Houston Post.

FORT WORTH DETECTIVE SLUGGED IN HEAD WHILE DRIVING AUTOMOBILE

FORT WORTH, Dec. 15.—City Detective James A. Riley was attacked by an unknown assailant at Thirteenth and Houston streets at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon while driving his automobile. He was struck on the head, and as the car swerved to the curb fell in an unconscious condition. Two eyewitnesses were taken to police headquarters and gave statements.

Riley was driving a closed car west on Thirteenth street and as he neared Houston street was seen suddenly to crumple up with a moan. He arose and opened the door of his automobile and then fell, unconscious. He was taken in an ambulance of the Fort Worth Undertaking company to the Protestant hospital, where he was placed on the operating table immediately.

CROWD CHEERS WHEN JURY FREES WOMAN

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 15.—"We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty." This verdict was returned by Knox county criminal court jury trying the case of Maude Moore, charged with the murder of LeRoy D. Harth, Sept. 8, 1919, after having been out fifteen minutes, following the charge of Judge T. A. R. Nelson, which was completed at 1:15 o'clock this afternoon.

One ballot on each of the three counts upon which the defendant might have been convicted, were taken, murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree and manslaughter. The result was unanimous for acquittal in each. The jury's verdict was reported fifteen minutes after the charge had been delivered and when read in open court a mighty shout went up from the assembled crowd, which was quickly quelled by court attendants.

The defendant received the verdict with calmness, although tears soon coursed down her face as she grasped the hand of each of the jurymen in thanks for their method of arbitrating this, the greatest tragedy of her life. Directly after leaving the court room Maude Moore declared she would go to Louisville, Ky., Sunday morning, spending a few days with her aunt and then go on to Tacoma, Wash., where she will make her home with her husband, Wm. H. Stubbs. She declared she had no malice toward any one who had participated in the trial, not even toward the family of Harth. "I shall live a better life henceforth. It was a terrible thing to do, but I had to do it," she said.

BARBER DROPS ACID IN MAN'S EYE BY MISTAKE

MEXIA, Dec. 15.—Due to a mix-up in bottles that resulted in a drop of nitric acid being spilled in his right eye instead of an eye wash solution, which he had asked to have administered, Q. T. Tumkins, manager of a drug store here, may lose the sight of the injured member. The acid was dropped in his eye by mistake in a barber shop here, the attendant getting hold of the wrong bottle.

DOG HILL PARAGRAPHS By GEORGE BINGHAM



Clab Hancock says it pays to carry a sack of shelled corn around on your shoulder. He made a big circle over the neighborhood with a sack of it on his shoulder yesterday. The sack had a little hole in the end of it, and when he reached home he found five nice razorback hogs and three geese following him.

Our enterprising blacksmith and tinsmith artist, reports that since our last issue he has shod four mules, pulled several teeth, cut four heads of hair, half soled a pair of shoes and sang in the choir.

Yam Sims is going back to the store at Bounding Billows in the morning to get a fellow to tell a joke over again, as he didn't see the point yesterday.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa: I am asking you to please remember me. I want a set of furs, a real sleepy doll, a white dresser and a box of water colors for painting and a pair of house slippers. And I will be very happy and will thank you. Your little friend, JUANITA SMITH, 324 Strawn Road.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a wax doll, a tea set, a ring, an embroider-ery work box that shuts with a spring. I want some apples, some nuts and some oranges. Goodbye, FLOY WILLIAMS.

Dear Santa Claus. I am a little girl 5 years old. I want a doll and doll bed and a pair of slippers and a new dress. That is all for this Christmas. I live at 606 North Mars-ton street. Be sure and come, Bye-bye, IOTA HIGH.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a game of parchesi, a toy pistol with wooden bullets and a good horn. That is all I want this time. ROOK BAXTER.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please write to me. There are three of us. My little brother's name is Billy Huffman. He is 2 years old. And

I have still another brother. He is 17 years old and he is going to high school.

I am in the second grade. I have been having lots of fun. I want you to write us all, dear Santa Claus, and will you bring me something nice for Christmas. I cannot think of anything more to say. Will close, with love from your little friend, ROSE MARY HUFFMAN, Box 574.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like for you to bring me a cowboy suit and a pair of gloves. I want a bank and a couple of boxes of caps for my gun. EDGAR WALTON, 501 First Street.

Dear Santa: I am in the first grade and my teacher says that I am good. Please bring me a tool box and some building blocks. HAMILTON TURNEY.

Dear Santa Claus: I think I am going to get a doll and buggy, also tea set, for Christmas. But I can't make any clothes for my doll and can't make a pillow and show for my buggy, as I am too little. I would be much pleased for you to bring along a few clothes for my doll. CARLIE MCFARLAND.

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FRIENDS OF PARCEL POST SEE DANGER IN STEENERSON'S BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The big express companies have naturally been greatly displeased at the growth and progress of the parcels post system. Friends of the parcels post see in the bill recently reported favorable to the house by Mr. Steenerson of Minnesota a blow at this great institution. This bill (House Bill 8441) authorizes the postmaster general to restrict the use of the special delivery stamp and service to letter mail only. This means that no package can be sent through the mail with special delivery service added. The most important function of the special delivery stamp is to cause the prompt delivery of the farmer's package of perishable merchandise which he is sending to his town customer. If the farmer ships a turkey, some chickens, or two pounds of real butter to his customer in the city, to allow that package to lie next to the steam radiator in the city postoffice all high means a disaster and the loss of a customer. Some members of the house from agricultural district are already opposing this innocent-looking little four-line bill, claiming it is the entering wedge that seeks to break down the parcels post system, built up at such labor and expense under the Democratic administration.

TOWN LOSES COUNTY SEAT, GETS ANOTHER

AUSTIN, Dec. 15.—Provisions for the administration of justice in Texas' new county, Kenedy and Willacy county, whose boundaries were changed by the legislature, have been carried out and the official machinery of the three counties now is running smoothly, reports from Sarita, and Raymondville, the county seats respectively, indicate. Cameron, Willacy and Hidalgo counties were reorganized into four counties, the new unit being named Kenedy, for John G. Kenedy, a ranchman. Brownsville remained the county seat of Cameron county and Edinburg of Hidalgo county, while Sarita, formerly the seat of Willacy county, became the seat of Kenedy county and Raymondville was made the seat of Willacy county.

ODD CHARGE FILED AGAINST GROCER

EAST ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Because he sold a quantity of sugar to alleged moonshiners, H. Goldberg, a grocer of Fairmont City, was convicted of violating the prohibition law by a jury in federal district court here.

ROOF, BREAKS LEG PREACHER FALLS OFF

KOSSE, Texas, Dec. 15.—Rev. J. B. McCary, pastor of one of the Baptist churches just outside the city, who resides here, fell from a new residence he was working on and sustained a broken leg, fractured just above the ankle joint.

With rolled hose and a short skirt to work with, a high wind can produce some interesting pictures.—Columbia Record.

SIX ARE CRUSHED IN COLORADO MINE SLIDE

DENVER, Dec. 15.—Only one of seven men entombed in the Sanatio coal mine of the Colorado Collieries company at Morrison, twenty miles west of Denver, late Tuesday, was rescued alive. Six bodies have been recovered. They were crushed by a slide when attempting to place a bulkhead in an effort to smother a fire. Only nineteen men were employed in the mine at the time of the accident. Rescue crews worked all night removing the bodies.

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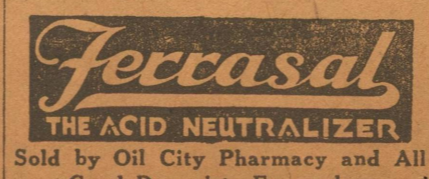
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ATTENTION MEN! Read These Prices This is a going out of business sale. Everything must go, nothing reserved. We need the cash, you need the clothes, so come and take advantage of this opportunity. We are selling men's clothing at cost and less than cost, just to get rid of them—we are going to quit the first of the year and we must dispose of our stock in order to raise cash. Men, when you buy from us you have the largest and finest line of merchandise to choose from than any other store in West Texas —We carry standard brands in every line of Men's apparel. If you are looking for the Best, you can buy it for less in our great Going Out of Business SALE — COME IN! DON'T LET ANOTHER DAY PASS WITHOUT LOOKING OVER THIS STOCK MEN'S HOSE Spurn silk Holeproof combination solid colors, \$1.50 value, at .75 Holeproof fancy, extra heavy Silk Hose, \$2.50 value, special \$1.50 Imported Silk and Wool Hose—new colors, \$3.50 grade at \$1.45 Holeproof Lisle Hose, \$1.00 value, at .50 Combination Xmas sets of Belts and garters; also suspenders and garters; per set \$1.00 Half Price on Our Entire Stock of Highest Grade Detachable Fur Collars SMOKING JACKETS The newest double weave plaid trimmed Smoking Jackets; \$13.50 value for \$8.75 SHIRTS Finest grade of Crepe de Chine Silk Shirts; new pattern; \$7.50 quality, at \$4.95 Emery Shirts—This is one of the highest grade shirts manufactured in this country, in the new effect pink check at \$1.95 and \$2.45 UNDERWEAR We have a large selection of Lisle, Silk and Woolen Underwear at half of former price. HATS—Standard Brands Entire stock of men's and young men's Hats, made by the best makers—Hawes, Bergs and Mallory; \$10 and \$12 grade at \$4.95 INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS \$1 grade at 50c 75c grade at 35c 50c grade at 25c Large assortment of Cheney Bros. Neckwear; four-in-hand \$1 Up TRUNKS AND LUGGAGE Marked at Less Than Cost Simpson-Alexander Opposite Gholson Hotel Old Scott's Cafe Bldg.

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O—LODGES

ATTENTION MEMBERS OF Order of Eastern Star. Invitation extended to all members to attend banquet given by Eastland Chapter O. E. S. Friday evening, December 16th.

1—LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Kodak and films. Notify Box 624. J. F. Warren.

2—MALE HELP

WANTED—Employment of any kind by 16-year-old white boy; experience around garage. P. O. Box 524.

3—FEMALE HELP

WANTED—Capable stenographer for temporary position. Apply Times office.

6—BUSINESS CHANCES

HAVE MONEY TO LOAN on improved business and dwelling property. Also farm loans. W. B. Westgate, Gholson hotel.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES

ANNOUNCEMENT—We wish to announce that Mr. W. S. (Bill) Speigle has taken charge of the space formerly occupied by the Chaney Repair shop—and will have competent mechanics in charge. Texas Co. Oil & Gas. All work guaranteed. Service and satisfaction their motto. Ranger Garage Co.

IF YOU WANT money and have improved property anywhere in the county, call and see me. I have it to loan. W. B. Westgate, Gholson hotel.

8—ROOMS FOR RENT

NICE CLEAN ROOMS with board; reasonable rates by the week; a place where you can safely bring your family; meals 40c; 2 and 3-room furnished apartments with lights, water and gas. Under new management. W. R. Williams, Manager. Legion Hotel, Phone 300.

9—HOUSES FOR RENT

WELL FURNISHED house, just off Caddo pike, 637 N. Marston.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT

APARTMENTS Teal Hotel, 423 Main; hot water, bath, everything.

13—FOR SALE—Miscellaneous

PIANO—Good as new; will sell or trade. Phone No. 445.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—One 25-hp. J. C. gas engine, with clutch; in A-1 condition; also tank shop, 2 three-room houses, 16x36, and all buildings and lumber belonging to American Tank Co., located at corner of Oak and Clay sts., Ranger, Texas.

TRADERS GROCERY and Market—Corner Walnut and Rusk is selling Groceries on the small profit and quick sale plan. Come and save enough on your Grocery bill for Christmas gifts.

TELEPHONE 166 for your Christmas turkeys, hens, and fryers; live or dressed. Adams & Echols, wholesaler and retailer.

15—HOUSES FOR SALE

FOR SALE—A bargain; an 8-room house located at 423 Bobo ave., Bobo addition. Some modern conveniences, two big water tanks, garage and some furniture, for \$350. Would consider part cash, the balance like rent if desired. Ask for Mrs. E. D. Moore.

16—AUTOMOBILES

AUTO OWNERS ATTENTION—Having leased the storage and shop space of the Ranger Garage. I solicit your patronage. Service and satisfaction our motto. All work guaranteed. Texas Co. Gas and Oils. Speigle Storage and Repair Shop.

WE WASH CARS—Small cars, \$1.50; large cars, \$2.00. We also Simonize cars. W. H. Rogers' garage.

SPRINGS, gears, gas tanks, wheels, magnets, carburetors, everything. Ranger Auto Wrecking Co., 422 N. Rusk St., Ranger, Texas.

WHY put new parts in old cars? Ranger Auto Wrecking Co., 422 N. Rusk St., Ranger, Texas.

18—WANTED—Miscellaneous

FOR SALE—Five-passenger Chevrolet in good condition; price \$75, if sold at once. 318 Hodges St.

WANTED—A chance to buy your second-hand furniture. We have moved to 121 N. Austin; phone 276, New and Second-hand Store.

19—FOR TRADE OR EXCHANGE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—For anything of equal value, one 3 1/2-ton Duplex truck, in good condition; inquire E. E. Lawson, T. P. C. & O. Co. mess hall, Ranger.

21—LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of judgment of the court, in Cause No. 8516, L. Theoharris, et al, vs. John Antonios, et al, pending in the Eighty-eighth judicial district court of Eastland county, Texas, I will, on Friday, Dec. 16, 1921, at 3 o'clock p. m., at my office in room 222 Marston building, Ranger, Texas, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the stock of merchandise, furniture and fixtures and all property belonging to the Ranger Cafe, of Ranger, Texas. MARVIN K. COLLIE, Receiver.

ELECTION NOTICE.

"An Ordinance"

ORDERING THAT AN ELECTION BE HELD WITHIN THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, ON THE 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1921, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE BONDS OF SAID CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$35,000.00) DOLLARS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERRECTING A PUBLIC BUILDING, TO-WIT: A CITY HOSPITAL, AND PURCHASING THE NECESSARY SITE THEREFOR; SAID BONDS TO MATURE SERIALLY, NOT EXCEEDING FORTY YEARS FROM THEIR DATE AND TO BEAR INTEREST AT A RATE TO BE FIXED BY THE CITY COMMISSION, NOT EXCEEDING SIX PER CENT PER ANNUM PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY, AND WHETHER SAID COMMISSION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO LEVY A TAX FOR SAID BONDS, SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE INTEREST AND PROVIDE A SINKING FUND TO RETIRE THEM AT MATURITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, there exists a necessity for the construction of a City Hospital and purchase of the necessary site therefor, in the City of Ranger, Texas, and because of a lack of funds in the city treasury with which to construct said improvements, the City Commission deems it advisable to order an election to determine whether the qualified voters of said City shall authorize the City of Ranger to issue the bonds of said city for said purpose; THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, that an election be held within the limits of said city on Saturday, the 17th day of December, 1921, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said City the following proposition:

First: Shall the City Commission of the City of Ranger, Texas, be authorized to issue bonds of said City in the amount of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000.00) Dollars, maturing serially at such times as may be fixed by the City Commission, not to exceed forty years from their date, and to bear interest at the rate to be fixed by the City Commission, not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of erecting a public building in said city, to-wit: A City Hospital, and purchasing the necessary site therefor, and to levy a tax on the property of said City sufficient to pay the interest and create a sinking fund to redeem said bonds as they mature.

Said election shall be held at the Central Fire Station in said City and the following named persons are hereby appointed Managers in said election: H. S. Cole, presiding judge; Ed. R. Maher, judge; Garret Bohning, judge; A. L. Duffer, clerk; T. J. Holmsley, clerk; H. M. Holloway, clerk. Said election shall be held under and in accordance with the general laws of the State of Texas governing City Elections and under the City Charter of the City of Ranger, and only qualified voters who are property taxpayers of said City shall be allowed to vote and all voters voting at said election shall have written or printed on their ballots the following words:

FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS in the amount of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000.00) Dollars, maturing serially at such times as may be fixed by the City Commission, not to exceed forty years from their date and to bear interest at a rate to be fixed by said Commission, not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of erecting a public building in said City, to-wit: A City Hospital, and purchasing the necessary site therefor; and for the levy of a tax on all the taxable property of said city to pay the interest and create a sinking fund to redeem said bonds as they shall mature.

AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS in the amount of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000.00) Dollars, maturing serially at such times as may be fixed by the City Commission, not to exceed forty years from their date and to bear interest at a rate to be fixed by the City Commission, not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of erecting a public building in said City, to-wit: A City Hospital, and purchasing the necessary site therefor; and against a levy of a tax on all the taxable property in said City to pay the interest and create a sinking fund to redeem said bonds as they shall mature.

SOCIETY AND WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

Conducted By MRS. R. B. CAMPBELL Telephone 418

ELKS' BALL NEW YEAR'S EVE.

The Elks will give an informal dance at the Summer Garden, on Dec. 31, for Elks and Shriners. There will be some special surprises in the way of entertainment, and "eats."

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary union of the East Ranger Baptist church held its usual weekly meeting at the church Monday afternoon. As this was the yearly business meeting, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Will Mitchell, president; Mrs. J. N. McFatter, vice-president; Mrs. Hayden Neal, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. B. V. Bollinger, press reporter.

It was with much regret that the resignation of Mrs. J. M. White, the former president, was accepted, but owing to her heavy responsibilities she felt that she could not serve in that capacity for the ensuing year. Many heartfelt tributes were paid to her for her faithful, untiring efforts in the behalf of the union. The business session was followed by the Bible lesson, led by Mrs. McFatter. The members of the union ever mindful and appreciative of their pastor, Rev. Drury, spoke most complimentary of the sermon that he preached on last Sabbath.

CENTRAL SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHERS.

The Central School Parent-Teachers' club will meet at the school Friday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. All mothers are especially requested to be present at this meeting.

AMUSU CLUB MEETS.

Mrs. "Pop" Endicott was hostess to the Amusu club this week at her home on Mesquite street. Bridge was the diversion for the afternoon and at the termination of the game, the high score prize, a lovely hand-made luncheon cloth, was awarded to Mrs. John Moyer. The consolation prize, a hand-made towel, went to Mrs. J. Edward Liles. While the game was in progress Mr. Endicott and Miss Nora Endicott entertained the guests with several very beautifully rendered piano solos.

The hostess served a three-course luncheon to the following members: Mmes. D. T. Lander, T. B. Scott, J. Edward Liles, Carrol Clark, John Moyer, Ira Nourse, C. F. Clark. The club will not meet this coming week on account of the pre-Christmas activities, but will meet on Dec. 27, with Mrs. D. T. Lander.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Mrs. Ella Agee is visiting Mrs. Vivian Scott in Abilene.

W. R. Fleming has gone to Sherman. He will be accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Ruth, who is a student at Kidd-Key.

James Burke, a representative of Swift & Co., is seriously ill at the Clinical hospital. He was taken ill suddenly on Sunday and an emergency operation for appendicitis was performed. His brother is expected to arrive from Chicago today.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hodges, who were called home on account of the death of their niece, Miss Mildred Hodges, have returned to Mexia.

Mrs. F. J. Dean, who has been the guest of Mrs. L. L. Neal, returned to her home in Huntsville Tuesday.

Burt Wisely, who is with the Mid-Kansas company at Caddo, spent yesterday in Ranger, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Moyer.

21—LEGAL NOTICE

So that all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds of said City for said purpose shall strike out the words "Against the issuance of bonds," etc., and that those opposed to the issuance of said series of bonds shall strike out the words "For the issuance of bonds," etc.

A copy of this Ordinance signed by the Mayor of said City and countersigned by the City Secretary shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the City Secretary of said City is directed to cause notice of said election to be published in the Ranger Daily Times, a newspaper of general circulation in Eastland County, published in the city of Ranger, in said county, for four consecutive weeks next preceding the date of said election, and in addition thereto shall cause notice of said election to be posted at three public places within said City at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of said election.

The fact that there is an urgent necessity for the immediate construction of such a building in the City of Ranger, in order to properly safeguard the health of the people of the City, creates an emergency requiring that the Ordinance be read at more than one meeting, and their publication by the City Commission, be suspended and said rule is hereby suspended and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Passed this 15th day of November, 1921.

Approved this 15th day of November, 1921. Countersigned: GEO. T. HEMMINGSON, City Secretary, City of Ranger, Texas. JNO. M. GHOLSON, Mayor, City of Ranger, Texas.

GIRL, 19, SHARES BODY WITH CHILD, 4



COLUMBUS, Ohio.—Bernice Redick will soon regain sole possession of her own body, according to Dr. H. H. Goddard, psychologist, announcing the case of a strange dual personality in the life of Bernice. The girl, formerly a high school pupil, was brought to the Juvenile Research bureau here for treatment. She was possessed of two distinct personalities. In a single day she changed back and forth eleven times from a 4-year-old girl to her normal self, a 19-year-old girl. The 4-year-old said her name was Polly. She talked baby talk and played with toys. When she was her own normal self she had no recollection of the Polly personality. She is now undergoing hypnotic treatment, and her complete recovery is expected within a short time.

JIM THORPE SEIZES BALL AND DISPROVES SCOFFERS' THEORY

BY SID MERCER By International News Service

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The scoffers of professional football were discussing Jim Thorpe at the Polo Grounds, where Thorpe's team of former college stars was toying with Charley Brickley's Giants. It was early in the first quarter, the field was muddy and Joe Guyon was carrying the ball most of the time for the Tigers.

"Jim ain't there any more," said one of the critics. "You know he's up around forty, and at that age a man is too brittle to play football as college boys play it. He's losing his speed, too. And do you notice how he slows up when they tackle him, and how seldom he dives into plays when he is playing defensive back?"

"I guess the old boy is done," remarked the other. "I'll admit he can't break through that line any more. Football is a game for men in their early twenties. You don't see Charley Brickley in there, do you? He's too smart for that."

Possibly a little bird carried this conversation to Thorpe. A few minutes later the ball was snapped back to the big Indian and he started on a journey around the opposing left end.

This play deceived even Jim's teammates, for he came around that end alone. He either lost his interference or decided to furnish it himself, and so the play was unscreened as Thorpe headed directly for the south field stand. He not only got off to a fast start but held his footing with amazing ease when he changed pace and direction.

Lacking a good interference Thorpe was at first compelled to re-

Buys One Pig and Wakes to Find Whole Squealing Family of Pigs in Bathtub

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Pigs is pigs. Ellis Parker Butler said they are, and if you don't believe him ask Irwin Moscovitz. He knows.

Mr. Moscovitz for the first time in his life became the proud possessor of a pig Monday night up in Connecticut, as he was motoring down from Bridgeport to his little gray home in the Bronx.

He was nearing the state line when out from the shadows, into the starlight, stepped a large, eight octave negro, rawboned and rangy. He raised his hand in a gesture that Mr. Moscovitz interpreted as a signal to stop.

Mr. Moscovitz stopped. Mr. Moscovitz did not particularly want to stop. There were a thousand other things that Mr. Moscovitz would dearly have loved to do at the time, but he stopped. It seemed the thing to do.

"Boss," said the negro, flashing a set of teeth that could have bitten the anchor of the steamship Paris. "Boss does you all want to purchase a pig?"

"How much?" asked Mr. Moscovitz.

"Ah'll permit you all to have this pig for the sum of two and a half simoleons, Boss," replied the stranger.

Two minutes later Mr. Moscovitz was on his way again with the pig snuggled up in a corner of the tonneau.

Milwaukee Will Be Offered Chance to Adopt Zion's Benevolent Blue Laws

ZION, Ill. Dec. 15.—Glenn Voliva is now mapping out a thorough campaign of the entire state of Wisconsin. He has announced that he will hold a big rally in Milwaukee, on March 12, and will be accompanied on that date by Zion white-robed choir of 500 voices, Zion band of fifty pieces, Zion orchestra, Zion guards, and a number of women workers.

Deaconesses Helen Buhmann and Belle Schelhorn, known in New York as the "Zion Angels" have already been dispatched to Milwaukee and they began operations as an advance guard today. The deaconesses were famed in New York for their strong blue law tendencies, they being opposed to vulgarity in dress, dancing, theatres, etc., and while in New York they drew forth an army of reporters and a battery of camera men.

After the Milwaukee campaign, Voliva will turn his attention to Illinois and will hold a big rally in Chicago on April 9, when he will also be accompanied by the choir, band and orchestra.

SHREVEPORT COLLEGE TO PAY McMILLAN TEN THOUSAND A YEAR

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 15.—"Bo" McMillan, Centre college's star quarterback, has accepted an offer to La., next season. No figures were announced, but it is said the contract calls for his services for three years at \$10,000 a year.

FARMER SURRENDERS AFTER ANOTHER IS SHOT

WACO, Dec. 15.—Shortly before noon Wednesday W. G. Dudley, a farmer about 45 years old, was shot and instantly killed in Thompson's

Notice

—We have taken over the interests of the Barrington Transfer company and will take care of the needs of their customers through our office.

—Patrons of that company will receive the same service at the same price from us.

RANGER TRANSFER & STORAGE CO. "THE RED BALL LINE" Phone 117 Railroad Ave. and Houston St.

WIN \$800.00 OR FORD SEDAN ANSWER THIS PUZZLE THAT'S ALL WHO ARE THEY? 1 CHICKEN WED HEAL, 2 FUR DUST IN MAN, 3 A RED ACE WILL, 4 GUN IS FOR ELSEE, 5 BIE LADY CAR, 6 WES I AM RILL E, 7 HER CAR LAYS, 8 ART WINS AT TEA, 9 NOMPAD AT LARGE, 10 AN ACE COOK JIG

Can You Solve This Movie Puzzle? Here's a new puzzle that's as simple as A-B-C. Everybody can solve it, from grandma to baby Jim. The operator of a Movie Machine in a theater decided to play a joke on his audience, so he re-arranged the names of 10 Movie Stars and threw them on the screen. The above picture shows how they look. To solve the puzzle all you have to do is rearrange the letters of the 10 funny sentences so that they will spell the correct actors' or actresses' names. For instance No. 1 is Helene Chadwick. Everybody knows who she is. If you can name all ten you can win the Ford Sedan or \$800.

185 "Points" Wins First Prize You will receive 10 "Points" in this Movie Puzzle Game for each name that you arrange correctly, or 100 "Points" in all will be given to you if you can arrange all the Movie Star names the way they were in the first place. You can gain 60 more "Points" by qualifying your answer. That is by proving that you have shown a copy of our paper—The Rural Weekly, to five people. The final 25 "Points" will be awarded by the three final judges to the person standing in the best correct answer. The answer gaining 185 "Points" (which is the maximum) will win the Ford Sedan or \$800 in cash. The second highest will win a \$200 Diamond Ring, and so on down the list of the 25 big prizes. In case of a tie, both answers will receive the same prize. Send in your answer TODAY. As soon as it arrives, samples of The Rural Weekly will be sent to you FREE to assist you in qualifying. Costs Nothing to Try—You Can Win You will not be asked to subscribe to The Rural Weekly; nor to spend one penny in order to win. We have given away over a hundred automobiles and thousands of other prizes. You can be the next lucky one. Be sure that your name and address appear on your puzzle solution. You can win the Ford Sedan or \$800 in this contest—Answer the puzzle NOW. The Puzzle Man—92 E. Fourth St.—St. Paul, Minn.

### Inventor Promises to Manufacture Two-Cent Gasoline Before Jury's Eyes

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Louis Enricht, the inventor to whom 2 cents a gallon gasoline is nothing at all, will set up his copper kettles and tubes and light his fires right in the Nassau county court at Mineola in an attempt to prove to judge, jury and all mankind that he actually makes green gasoline from salt peat taken out of the Hempstead Bay marsh lands.

If the precious green fluid flows from the final petcock and proves to be gasoline, then Mr. Enricht will have averted the \$1,000 suit brought against him by W. H. Doolittle of Woodmore, who claims Enricht perpetrated a fraud upon him when he sold him stock in the Enricht Peat Gasoline Company, Inc.

Probably there will be scoffers even if Mr. Enricht should be able to coax a green gasoline from his machine in open court. In fact, these scoffers have already announced it is their belief the machine contains poison in its midst a small bowl of arsenic bought at the corner garage, and in the circumstances the production of gasoline is not a miracle but an unavoidable certainty.

Charles Krainzler one of the principal witnesses against Enricht when the trial was begun before County Judge Smith yesterday, testified that hidden in the machine were two copper bowls soldered together, which contained the gasoline the seventy-four-year-old inventor claimed to have made by heating salt peat. Mr. Krainzler was secretary and treasurer of the Enricht corporation and said he had induced many of his friends to invest before he discovered the machine's secret.

Krainzler said Enricht would remove the copper receptacle after each test for refilling before the next demonstration. On one occasion, he testified, a new machine was built, and he asked Enricht to try it out at once to see if it would work.

"Enricht told him to come back that night," Krainzler testified. "I came as directed and we tried the machine and produced gasoline."

Once when he was putting water into the machine, Krainzler said, he noticed alcohol dripping from another chamber. "And that was before the fire had been lighted," he added. Alcohol, incidentally, was supposed to be a by-product of the process.

Dr. Edwin C. Carman of Freeport came for a demonstration on one occasion, Krainzler testified, and then asked for a second, "Enricht refused to give it to him," Krainzler added, "and said that if he did not believe he could go to hell, as he would give no second demonstration."

"At another time," he continued, "Dr. Carman was there with a party and refused to buy the stock unless they had a second demonstration. It was refused them and they were leaving when I saw Enricht slip something into the copper bowl, then call them back and tell them he would give them a second demonstration. He did and gasoline came from the machine."

Krainzler declared that each time there was a demonstration Enricht would take from a shelf a bottle containing a yellow mixture and pour the contents into the copper chamber.

"I took the bottle down one day," he said, "and poured some of it on

my hand. It was pure gasoline and I told the salesman that night to sell no more stock."

Dr. Carman came back a third time according to the witness, and brought a Mr. Cook with him. Three demonstrations were given for them, but on the third the machine refused to give gasoline. Enricht explained that, he said, by insisting the machine was too hot.

"He took a wrench," Krainzler said, "and in tightening one of the pipes broke it so that the machine was useless. He told me to take the broken pipe to a garage and have it fixed. The men were to go and have some dinner and come back afterward. He then told me not to hurry back, as he wanted to get the money from the investors before he gave another demonstration."

"When I came back we fixed the machine and made another try. The machine failed to produce gasoline, and a few seconds after this Enricht had a bad attack of heart trouble and had to be carried upstairs. Enricht told the men to try the machine any way they wanted to. We all went downstairs and again tried the machine, but without results."

Dr. Carman corroborated Krainzler's testimony, but said he had not himself bought any stock. Mr. Smith, an automobile man from Freeport, said Enricht had sent him back his money when he said he was dissatisfied with his stock.

"I don't believe that Enricht made gasoline in the machine the day I saw the demonstration," he continued.

Mr. Enricht, however, has taken every precaution to prevent any possibility of doubt after the open court test. Two chemists examined his apparatus last night and the parts are not to be assembled until the jury is in its box and all attention.

### NEGRO INTRUDER STRIKES FT. WORTH MAN WITH AX

FORT WORTH, Dec. 15.—City police and county authorities are conducting a search for the negro axman, who, at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday morning entered the home of Mrs. John Caldwell, 146 Pender street after striking Jesse Caldwell, attempted an attack on Mrs. Caldwell, over the head twice with an ax, well, who fought off the assailant, who fled when her screams aroused the neighbors.

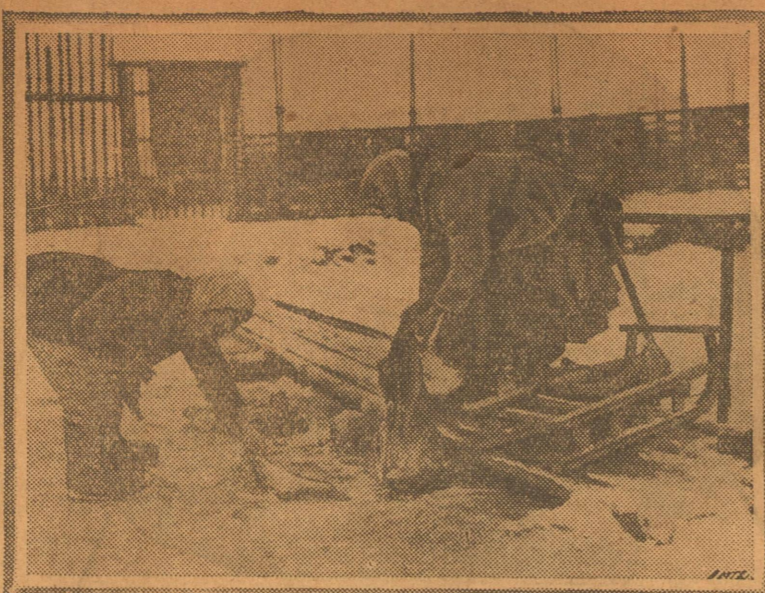
According to Mrs. Caldwell's statement, taken at the City-County hospital, she was aroused from her sleep by the dull thud of the ax as it struck her son. Before she had an opportunity to scream, the negro seized her by the throat and attempted to choke her.

Neighbors, hearing the scuffle, ran to the Caldwell residence, but the negro fled. He entered the residence through a rear door, and left the blood-stained ax beside the bed when he made his escape. The ax had been procured from a shed at the rear of the residence.

An examination at the hospital showed that the skull was not fractured, but there were two severe gashes, one on the back of the head and another in the forehead.

For a college woman, Miss Maion Eaton, of Old Sudbury, Mass., has taken up an unusual and unique field of endeavor, that of restoring old graveyards.

### THERE'S WARMER JOBS THAN THIS



In the dead of winter Russian peasant women don't mind a little thing like going to a frozen stream near their homes, breaking a hole in the ice, and scrub the weekly wash. The above photo was made in a small town in Russia, where modern plumbing is unknown to the women folks.

### SHIP SEND S. O. S.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—An unidentified vessel is ashore on Store Horse shoals off Nantucket, a S. O. S. call picked up by the Charleston navy yard declared today. The message asked that immediate aid be sent, as the decks of the vessel were un-

der water. Navy yard officials endeavored to learn the identity of the vessel. The message was signed "Schodac" but no schooner or steamer of that name is known here, officials said.

Two coast guard cutters have been dispatched to her assistance, but it was stated at the navy yard that they will not reach her until noon.

### MAGNOLIA ADVANCES LOW GRADE CRUDES

DALLAS, Dec. 15.—Crude oil took another jump today. The Magnolia Petroleum company announced that effective Dec. 15, until further notice, the price of crude oil has been increased to read as follows, per barrel at the wells: Healdton, Walters and Beaver Creek districts, Oklahoma, crude, \$1.30 a barrel. Cement, Oklahoma, \$1.30 a barrel. Mexia, Texas, \$1 per barrel; Corsicana, Texas, light, \$1.30; Corsicana, Texas, heavy, 95c per barrel.

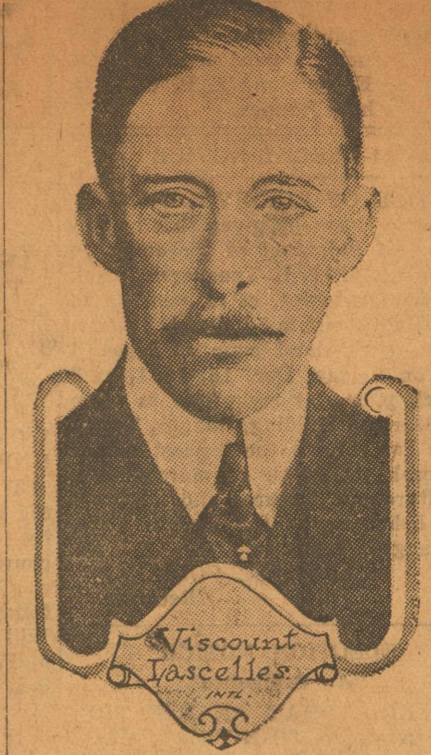
### WOMAN CONGRESSMAN DEPLORES AMAZON ARMY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The march of the "Amazon army" of miners' wives, daughters and sweethearts on the Kansas coal fields is a "spectacle to be deplored by the womanhood of the nation," Miss Alice Robertson, Oklahoma, the only woman in congress, declared today to the United Press.

Use of force, if necessary to suppress the uprising is justified, she said. Plainly chagrined at the action of the Kansas women, Miss Robertson asserted that the pepper the women were throwing is "every bit as bad as the poison gas and submarines of real warfare."

More than one-third of the voters in Boston are women.

### PRINCESS MARY'S FIANCE



Viscount Lascelles, who will marry Princess Mary some time in February. According to latest reports, Viscount Lascelles will very likely be named the first governor general of the free state of Ireland, making Princess Mary, after her marriage, the "first lady of Ireland."

### FOUR BIG HOSPITALS TO BE BUILT BY U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Additional construction work, totalling \$14,762,000, will be undertaken at once by the treasury department to help out the unemployment situation. Colonel Arthur Woods, of the President's unemployment conference, was notified today.

The program calls for the expenditure of \$2,500,000 on three hospitals and soldiers homes in Milwaukee, Dayton, Ohio, and Marion, Ind. Another large hospital on which work will be started, at once is at Tuskegee, Ala., \$2,250,000.

### BELFAST SECTOR ACTIVE

BELFAST, Dec. 15.—Snipers and bombers resumed operations in Belfast today.

Sporadic firing was reported in several sections of the city throughout the night, and utmost precautions were taken to prevent flaring of hostilities. A bomb was tossed into a fish shop and much damage was done.

The cabinet has completed its reply to Premier Lloyd George's invitation to enter the Irish Free State. It is understood to be absolute rejection. The contents were not announced.

The northern parliament has adjourned.



## HURRAH!

### Santa Claus Is Coming

He will be at the Boston Store tomorrow, Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock sharp in all of his glory.

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