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## SUGAR PRICES MAY FALL AS WILSON TAKES OVER CONTROL OF MARKET

### BUSINESS MEN'S CLUB ORGANIZED HERE; LARGE NUMBER ALREADY JOIN

Organization of a Business Men's club for this city is well under way. At a meeting called by J. W. Jennings, of the Texas Real Estate company. For the past five years he has been business men of Ranger, about twenty-five signed a petition ratifying the election of the following officers:

M. H. Smith, president; Dr. W. C. Palmer, vice president; J. W. Jennings, secretary and manager; L. S. Reavis, treasurer; W. S. Ellis, L. A. Marck and C. L. Ezell, trustees.

Mr. Smith is well known in this city as an oil man and property owner. Until recently he was superintendent of the city schools. Dr. Palmer is a prominent physician and surgeon, recently returned from France. He has offices in the P. & O. Realty building. J. W. Jennings is connected with the Texas Real Estate company. For the past five years he has been connected with the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade and Fair Association of California, as vice president and secretary. Recently he came here to make this city his home. L. S. Reavis is a merchant. His business is located on the corner of Marston and Pine streets. Mr. Ellis is a druggist and a large property owner, with a store at the corner of Marston and Main streets. L. A. Marck is a broker, with offices in the Reavis building. C. L. Ezell is a well known oil man and has extensive property holdings in the city.

Other members of the club are: Russell Grocery company, S. D. Terrell, Douglas R. Denman, T. W. Anderson, S. H. Millwee, W. T. Granger, F. L. Stinger, John E. Milford, J. M. White, A. B. Poe, C. C. Chenoweth, A. M. Beeman, E. R. Barrow, L. A. Webb, W. R. Gholson, W. O. McNary and S. M. Levenson.

According to Mr. Jennings, an effort will be made to secure at least 150 business men and property owners to join the organization. Practically every man who has been approached on the subject so far has joined the club and a good deal of real enthusiasm is being shown in the undertaking.

It is planned to hold a social meeting at least once a month. The date for the first meeting has been set for Jan. 9, at 9 p. m. Mr. Jennings has made arrangements with Mr. Stinger, the new manager of the Granger cafe and recently from the Green Mill cafe of Kansas City, to spread covers for 150 at the first meeting.

The mayor, chief of police, fire chief, city commissioners, city manager, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and management of the Times will be asked to join as honor guests.

A very complete program is being arranged for the meeting on Jan. 9, and Mr. Jennings will leave tonight for Fort Worth and Dallas to complete arrangements for the occasion. Cut flowers will be used to decorate banquet tables.

The purpose of the new organization is to aid in the development of the city. The club will work in harmony with the local Chamber of Commerce. Comprehensive plans for the organization are being worked out.

### NATURAL GAS BRINGS RICHES TO DENIZENS OF SNAKE HOLLOW

Natural gas in huge quantities was recently discovered at Snake Hollow, near McKeeseport, Pa., and the people of that section are now all getting rich. The original well, shown in the upper photo, bears the following legend: "I am the original gas well of Snake Hollow. I was born on August 14, 1899. I am only eighteen feet deep and I have been giving my boss and his neighbor real gas for twenty long years. The boss likes me better every day, because everybody wants to see me. I guess I will soon be all in, for my brother in the front yard is pulling from me very hard. So I will soon say good-bye."



Original gas well at Snake Hollow, Pa., and its owners, Henry N. Groff (right), his wife and son. Below: Men fighting gas well fire in the Snake Hollow field.

### MUCH CUBAN SUGAR NOW COMING IN; PURCHASE IS LEFT UP TO PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—President Wilson has signed the McNary bill, continuing the United States sugar equalization board through 1920.

It was announced that the President's signature was attached to the measure before midnight last night.

A White House statement issued today says that the bill "confers discretion on the President in the matter of purchasing sugar from Cuba."

"It is doubtful whether it will be practicable or wise for the President to exercise the power conferred on him so far as the purchase and distribution of sugar is concerned," the statement continues.

"Some Cuban sugar already has been purchased. There is no central control over sugar in Cuba as was the case last year, and it might be impossible for the government now to step in and purchase sugar without increasing the price to consumers. The bill, however, continues licensing powers also and this power may be used to assist in controlling profiteering among the distributors.

"Much Cuban sugar is coming in now and indications are that the prices have reached their peak. There will be a tendency for prices to fall in the next few weeks."

### TROOPS GUARD STORES OF THE CHINESE IN MEX.

By Associated Press  
NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 1.—The Chinese stores at Nogales, Sonora, are closed today and armed detachments of Yaqui federal infantry, shrouded in blankets, are grouped about camp fires built in front of the stores, guarding them from possible mob attacks.

Detachments of cavalry are reported patrolling at Cananea. United States consular agent Gibbs reported today that there was a heavy guard of infantry about the Chinese stores in Cananea, but said that no trouble was expected.

Americans arriving on the night train from Hermosillo, the capital of Sonora, reported that soldiers were guarding the Chinese stores at that place and at Sonora, pending instructions from Mexico City as to the constitutionality of the state labor law.

### EASTLAND ROAD TRANSFERRED TO RINGLING

By Associated Press  
EASTLAND, Jan. 1.—"John Ringling, private car, 'Jomar,' Ardmore, Okla." Ringling, Eastland & Gulf railroad ratified by mass meeting of our citizens, gave out news. "This was the substance of a telegram sent by directors of the road after a mass meeting of citizens of Eastland where the proposition submitted by Ringling for the transfer of the Eastland, Wichita Falls & Gulf Railroad to him and associates.

The proposition as submitted to the board of directors by Ringling consisted of the transfer to him of all the stock had been sold by the promoters of the railroad and the turning over to him of the twenty-three and a fraction of grade already made from Mangum in the direction of Eastland, that the citizens of Eastland will finish nine more miles of grade so that the entire grade will be complete between Mangum and Wayland, passing through Eastland. Ringling agreed to have the steel laid and a train running over the road as far as Wayland in ninety days.

One hundred and fifty thousand dollars stood between the citizens of Eastland and a railroad, a mass meeting was called and in two hours time the money was subscribed. Ringling further agreed to make Eastland the managing point of all his roads that he owns except one in Wyoming, that the road will extend only from Mangum to Wayland until a road is built into Stephens county and when a rival road is built into Stephens county that he will cross it. The road is to be a trunk line of ninety-pound steel, which is the heaviest steel south of the Missouri river, the grade will be less than one per cent on the main lines, that road will have trunk line connections.

This was one of the most enthusiastic meetings of the kind ever held in Texas, a body of not more than 300 men in two hours' time subscribed \$150,000 cash and turned over gratis over \$150,000 of stock that they had paid for, so that their city could have a railroad. Ringling had promised that if the plans that he had submitted to the directors of the road should be ratified by the stockholders and citizens of Eastland that he would immediately upon the receipt of a telegram to this effect set the wires in motion to have the material started on its way. He had at his disposal for the new road eighty-three locomotives and he stated that the steel necessary for the building of the road is available and his men putting on the rails will be those behind the construction of the nine more miles of grade that is to be built to complete the grade to Wayland.

### TAXES AMOUNT TO \$41,000.00 DEC. 29 TO 31

The last three days of 1919 a grueling session for E. A. Ringold, city tax assessor and collector, and his assistant, Miss Ruth Arnold, brought in better than \$41,000 to the city and Ranger school district, and today the office is still busy taking in the money of those who could not be served in the last days of the old year. From 7:50 a. m. to 6:15 p. m. December 31, Mr. Ringold sat at his desk in the collector's office, Marston building, and gathered in checks and wrote receipts without one breathing spell or time out for food or water.

A few days' more grace for those whose assessments were in doubt, or whose property was involved by sale during the tax period, will be allowed before city taxes are declared delinquent.

It is estimated that two-thirds of the total due from the school district and about half that due from city assessments have been collected. This will give both school board and city administration a margin of cash in which to operate, obviating the need of paying interest on further warrants.

The Doctor—Wreng Ring. "Hello! Yes, I can come immediately. What seems to be the trouble?" "Engine trouble."

### TEXAS MINERS SAY INCREASE NOT ENOUGH

By Associated Press  
FORT WORTH, Jan. 1.—Texas coal miners are not satisfied with the 14 per cent wage increase settlement, according to Ed Cunningham, former district president, who was here today en route to Columbus to attend a special convention of the national organization.

The increase is not enough to guarantee the Texas miners a decent living, Cunningham said.

### Estonia and Soviet Russia Sign Armistice

DORPAT, Jan. 1.—An armistice was signed yesterday by representatives of Estonia and the soviet government of Russia. The armistice will be in force for seven days.

### 2 Towns Taken by Bolsheviks

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The capture of Yekaterinoslav on the southern Russian front and Novo Moskovsk, fifteen miles northeast, is announced by the Bolsheviks officially today.

### WILD NIGHT AT DALLAS: 1 DEATH THERE

By Associated Press  
DALLAS, Jan. 1.—One woman was shot and seriously wounded and many others narrowly escaped injury during a general discharge of firearms ushering in New Year's in Dallas last night.

At midnight guns were fired into the air and a rain of bullets was sent on roofs of residences.

Mrs. J. G. Allen was wounded by a bullet tearing through her home. A deep gash was cut in her head when she was in bed.

Five negroes were arrested in connection with the Allen shooting. Thirty persons were arrested for discharging firecrackers and six men are being held for carrying pistols.

### UNKNOWN MAN IS FOUND DEAD NEAR DALLAS

DALLAS, Jan. 1.—With the skull split open by a heavy cotton scale beam, the body of a well-dressed white man was found in a field of a farm eight miles south of here today. It is believed that the man was killed last night. He has not been identified.

### 600 ACRES OF WHEAT BURNED NEAR AIRES

By Associated Press  
BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 1.—A fire, thirty miles wide, in the neighborhood of San Germain, a town between Buenos Aires province and Pampa territory, has been extinguished after 600 acres of wheat were destroyed. It is believed that the fire was started by radicals.

### SOVIETS SAY POWER WILL BE WORLD-WIDE

By Associated Press  
LONDON, Jan. 1.—A soviet wireless message from Moscow flashed a New Year's greeting to the world today. The message predicted that in 1920 soviet authority would be supreme throughout the world. The message said "in 1920 we shall attain a victorious end of civil war, Siberia, the Ukraine, the Don region and the Caucasus desire the soviets. There will also be soviets at Berlin, Washington, Paris and London. The soviet authority will be supreme throughout the world."

### FACTORIES OF FRANCE RUN FULL TILT NOW

By Associated Press  
LILLE, Jan. 1.—Production has been resumed in about half of the factories of northern France where the outbreak of the war paralyzed industry and where battles raged for four years.

### SEVERAL HURT WHEN 2 T. & P. TRAINS CRASH

By Associated Press  
FORT WORTH, Jan. 1.—Engineer Bailey of Fort Worth, the man in charge of an immigrant car en route to West Texas, and four or five passengers were injured at daybreak today when two Texas & Pacific freight and passenger trains collided atledo, eighteen miles west of here. A relief train brought the injured here.

### Fire Department Starts New Year With Speedy Run

Ranger's fire department started off the new year in good shape by making a speedy run and extinguishing a blaze, behind the Richardson Brown store, which threatened the block on the north side of Main street between Commerce and Rusk, at 2:40 o'clock this afternoon.

The plug in front of the store being out of commission, a line was laid from Rusk street, a block from the blaze. Water was played on the blaze, which started in a small outbuilding, in ten minutes after the alarm was turned in. The extent of the damage was small.

Greece has 2,215 factories, employing 38,121 workmen.

#### THE TIMES' NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

The Ranger Daily Times has been running seven months today. Since its organization it has attempted to uphold the best interests of the town. It has been a constructive paper, emphasizing the growth, progress and prosperity of the city, and trying to aid in every movement for the good of the community and of the county. The future of the paper is closely identified with the future of the town. The interests of the paper are identical with the best interests of the town. In beginning a new year, The Times wishes to thank its readers for the support and good will which have so greatly aided in the making of the paper, and to extend the best wishes of the season to all.

Moved that Senator Lodge awarded the ignoble peace prize.



### Kansas Officer Loses Faith in All Burglars

TOPEKA, Kas.—"If you meet up with one of these burglars that's operating in Topeka don't believe a word he tells you. He will lie to you just as readily as he will rob your house. I know, because one lied to me the other night."

So declared "Pappy" Anderson, one of the best officers on the local force.

"It was the first time I had had the pleasure of meeting up with a burglar, without knowing it," said Anderson. And the way that man lied to me would make Ananias turn green with envy.

"I was down at Fourteenth and Kansas avenue making my rounds about midnight. A fine looking young man came walking along. I don't know why, but somehow it flopped into my head that he was a burglar. I stopped him.

"Look here, young man, don't you know the dragnet is out?" I said.

"What is a dragnet?" he asked innocently.

"I told him that it meant an order to round up every man who was out late.

"I never heard of a dragnet before," said the man. "I guess I had better get home."

"What is your name, and where do you live?" I asked.

"My name is Ed McComas, and I live right down there at 1428 Kansas avenue," said he.

Went Right into the House.

"I knew that a McComas family lived down that way, and that a couple of their sons had just returned from the war. So I assumed that it was one of the McComas boys.

"So you are going home?" I said.

"Yes," he replied.

"Good night," said I.

"Good night, officer, and good luck," said he.

"The man went on down the street, turned in at 1428, and went right into the house. I congratulated myself that I had not arrested an innocent man—a returned soldier—for a burglar.

"The next morning the McComas family and a neighbor family reported that their homes had been robbed.

"That blamed burglar simply told me a barefaced lie. I'll never believe another burglar."

### Cheer Up, Lads, They Still Run "True to Form"

CHICAGO.—The present-day "sensible and smartly simple" corset will remain true to form, Miss Varina M. Losey, an executive of a prominent corset company, revealed today. "It is the only article of woman's wearing apparel which shows no sign of changing styles," Miss Losey stated.

The "wasp waist" and the "bulging hips" will never return, according to Miss Losey, although there have been murmurs from the outside and less accredited corset designers of a return to the form of the past.

"The same and sensible rank and file of American womanhood votes emphatically against a return to the days of torture, when a corset was a cruel device, which distorted the female form divine—instead of the gentle and comfortable mold and support which it is today," said Miss Losey.

Busts, if anything, will be even lower this season, she announced. Of course, they will be re-enforced by brassieres or bardeaux.

"Skirts of corsets will be a trifle longer," she added, "so as to carry out more than ever the straight, slender hip lines."

### WOMEN IN FINLAND IN ALL OCCUPATIONS

HELSINGFORS.—An astonishing sight for the stranger in Finland is the number of women engaged in almost every field of employment. In England during the war one became accustomed to the sight of women performing various kinds of work in which previously only men were engaged. But in Finland the visitor gets the impression that the women are doing everything. They even serve as porters on sleeping cars.

Not only are they at heavy manual work in fields and factories, but they have become skilled as mechanics and have invaded business offices to an extent that is probably undreamed of in any other country.

In banks, the proportion of women employees to men appears to be about 10 to 1. In the biggest financial institutions in Helsingfors, women hold positions involving great responsibility and calling for exceptional ability.

At the Finnish foreign office the Associated Press correspondent noticed that women were doing offices that would be entirely beyond the aspirations of their sisters in the state department at Washington or the British foreign office.

This change has come about almost overnight. Finland's man power has been greatly depleted, and a large part of what is left is required for military service.

The Finnish business woman is remarkably keen and intelligent. She has a kind of masculine interest and absorption in her work that seems to admit of no margin for sentiment or frivolity. She dresses simply and smartly, as do the majority of the city-bred women of this country. An American walking through the principal streets of Helsingfors might well believe, judging from the costumes and brisk walk of the Finnish women, that he was in the heart of Chicago.

### Old Scatner Nowberry is convicted, the old question, "What's in a name?" will again be answered.

Despite the plea of the bride-to-be's mother that 400 invitations had been sent out, the fuel administrator remained firm, much to Cupid's disgust.

### RUBE GOLDBERG'S BOOBS—



HERE'S A CLOWN WHO MAKES ALL OF US SHRIEK WITH DELIGHT WITH THE FUNNY PERFORMANCE HE GIVES EVERY NIGHT.



"WE ENJOY THAT MAN" ALL THE SPECTATORS SAY, "FOR HIS LIFE IS SO CHEERFUL AND HAPPY AND GAY."



HERE'S AN ACTOR WHO PLAYS HEAVY TRAGEDY PARTS, HIS SUFFERING BREAKS MANY DOZENS OF HEARTS.



THE AUDIENCE SAYS "HE'S UNHAPPY INDEED, WHAT A SORROWFUL LIFE THE POOR RUMMY MUST LEAD!"



BUT, IN BACK OF THE SCENES, SEE THE FACE ON THE CLOWN, HIS WIFE RAN AWAY AND HIS HOUSE BURNED DOWN!



WHILE THE ACTOR WHO NEVER PORTRAYS ANY MIRTH IS THE HAPPIEST GUY ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH!

### NOISE GREETS THE INCOMING YEAR OF 1920

Ratapan of shots and scream of whistles greeted the arrival of the New Year in Ranger.

The first half hour of 1920 was perhaps the noisiest that the year will see. After that the town quieted down and went to bed, for the most part. With the exception of a few who took their liquor too seriously and needed a place to quiet down in, the evening was uneventful in police circles. Just one drunk came up in the city court this morning.

Every member of the police department who was not in bed helped the celebration along with every round in his gun.

One near accident was reported. A shot passed through the tent in which Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Linney are living on Eastland hill, and narrowly missed Mrs. Linney. It shattered six plates on a shelf above her head.

### West Texas News

STAMFORD, Jan. 1.—West Texas during 1919 voted an aggregate of \$36,000,000 for good roads, which is approximately 45 per cent of the total road bond issues voted in Texas in 1919, according to estimates made by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Eastland county will expend \$4,000,000, Stephens county \$3,500,000 and Potter county \$1,000,000. They will receive their pro rata of state and federal aid. The oil fields where heavy traffic continually moves find hard surface roads indispensable to future progress and development.

During 1919 the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was one of the chief exponents of the good roads amendment to the state constitution and at large expense placed speakers and writers in the field. West Texas, true to its progressive spirit, voted in favor of the \$75,000,000 good roads amendment, but was voted down by the preponderance of opposing votes in other sections of the state.

### West Texas produced two-thirds of the mohair of the United States, according to estimates made by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The total production of West Texas is about 10,000,000 pounds, valued at about \$6,000,000.

It is expected to supplant wool largely in the next few years, according to experts. It makes a fabric more durable than wool and at the same time keeps its shape after being pressed. Use in clothing will increase as people can be educated to its superior advantages. Mohair's principal advantage is durability.

The Angora industry in West Texas will be fostered by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Great possibilities and opportunities are in store for the west of West Texas adapted to the propagation of the mohair industry, according to the organization.

### The Washington office of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce reports startling success in the matter of relieving the grain congestion of the Panhandle and plains sections of the west.

All grain "in distress" is being given precedence. Such grain is that in the sheaf, on the ground or well stored from the weather. After this has been moved in the elevators and warehouses will be accommodated.

H. Kendall, chief of the car service section of the United States railway administration, made a very satisfactory report to the Washington branch of the organization, extolling it for its prompt action in looking after the west's affairs. He says the car service section prefers that all complaints about cars in West Texas and the Panhandle be lodged with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for action by the department.

### Thousands of paper shell pecan trees will be set out in 1920 in West Texas, reliable information to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce indicates.

Since the west in general is faced with such a burden of pecans that netted hundreds of thousands of dollars to owners without effort, the desire to have pecan shade trees has become pervasive.

J. H. Burkett, father of former Judge Joe Beckett of Eastland county, is now distributing 2,000 fruit and pecan trees from his Clyde nursery. He says improved varieties bear within from three to five years after

### SOVIET "ARK" CARRIES REDS HOME



The U. S. S. Buford.

planting and estimates a bearing pecan orchard is worth from \$500 to \$1,000 an acre. Native pecans have sold as low as 10 cents and improved varieties bring as high as 85 cents a pound. Some of the nuts grown by him at Clyde are almost as large as an English walnut.

### Fifteen days more of pleasant, sunny weather will suffice to complete gathering of the West Texas cotton crop, according to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Residents of this section for thirty-two years recall no similar December month-end so calm, warm and invigorating. The holidays have been unmarred by cold weather. Hundreds of bales of cotton are brought to gins daily in every community. Thousands of acres of cotton are yet to be picked. Cotton pickers who "took out" for the holidays are returning on every train. Prices for gathering have reached as high as \$4 a hundred in many parts of Central West Texas.

Many pickers who came to West Texas with little or none of this "world's goods" are starting friends back home by telling them of their purchases of restaurants, cafes and other small businesses. Such apparently unrealistic adventure into business in the west tends to influence a large influx of new settlers in the spring.

### Invitations to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce second annual convention at Abilene Jan. 22 are being readily accepted in communication headquarters here are receiving. Enthusiasm over the west and its future spurs hundreds to respond to the

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### CITY OF PARA ENJOYS VERY MILD WEATHER

PARA, Brazil.—Although only eighty miles from the equator the city of Para enjoys a perennial climate of what might be called mild summer. There is a shower of rain nearly every afternoon throughout the year, which together with the welcome trade winds blowing in from the Atlantic temper the intense heat of the sun and give Para a climate that for evenness and equability cannot probably be surpassed.

The mornings and evenings are always cool, and the mid-day heat never approaches that of a regular August day in New York or Chicago. Sunstroke is entirely unknown. There is no record of a case in the entire Amazon valley. Schoolboys play football in the open city spaces during the hottest hours of early afternoon and laborers, naked to the waist, toil sweating on the docks in the blazing sunshine without any apparent ill effects.

### straw hats are worn the year round in Para, and a sun helmet would be regarded with almost as much curiosity on the Avenida da Republica here as it would on Fifth avenue.

The clothes worn by men are also a matter of surprise to the foreigner visiting this equatorial city. Brazilian professional men, doctors, lawyers and engineers, invariably wear clothes such as are worn in New York in the spring or fall. Government officials, senators and deputies favor the conventional "cut-away," and in official circles on the state governor, for instance, this very untropical garb is the rule.

Business men, and especially for-

### WILD RIDE ON PORKER.

International News Service.

RIDGEFARM, Ill.—William Johnson, farmer, was hauling a large hog to market. He had it in a wagon when the animal got cantankerous and started to jump around. Johnson mounted the animal, horse-fashion, but it would not behave. After considerable struggling the porker hopped from the cart with Johnson astride it, but Johnson flopped off in the fall and hit on his face on the pavement. The hog escaped.

"Why did you quit tramping?" "Well, it was a hard life before, but they're liable to take you for a Bolshevik now.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Bright Kid.  
Tommy—Isn't "wholesome" a funny word, father?  
Father—What's funny about it?  
Tommy—Why, take away the whole of it and you have some left.—London Answers.

Over 60 per cent of the workers in all occupations in Jamaica are engaged in agriculture.

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THE NEW YEAR.  
The heart of mankind is in a  
hopeful and this hopefulness is es-  
pecially felt on the first day of the year.  
No matter what the mistakes and  
tragedies of the past year have been,  
no matter what the sorrows and  
griefs, the new year finds most people  
optimistic. The future holds  
promise and the things most longed  
for may come to pass—that is the  
view taken by a majority of people.  
The old year has seen a war valiantly  
fought—in congress. That war is  
still being waged, and the country  
at large is impatient for a congress-  
ional armistice. Even without the  
tranquilizing influence of a peace  
treaty, and in spite of a great indus-  
trial strife and the handicap of al-  
most continuous strikes, business in-  
terests of the country have made  
strides toward the normal. The out-  
look for business and industrial pro-  
sperity is very bright.

A feeling of optimism prevails  
throughout the country and this feel-  
ing is especially noticeable in Ranger.  
The past year has seen this city dis-  
card knee pants and edge its way into  
the council of the grown-ups. The  
new year should see even greater  
growth and development.  
Many problems vitally affecting the  
future of the city remain to be solved  
and some of these problems require  
immediate solution, if the city is to  
develop along the right lines. If the  
men and women who expect to live  
here will take an interest in the af-  
fairs of the town and lend their sup-  
port and action to whatever they be-  
lieve is beneficial, there will be no  
reason for pessimism.

## TO THE AMERICAN LEGION.

(San Francisco Bulletin.)  
You of the A. E. F. who are now  
members of the American Legion  
fought the war against Germany.  
Many of you came out of civil life  
without any previous training. Some  
of you came from the national guard  
and found that your organization and  
equipment, as national guardsmen,  
was wholly inadequate for war. Some  
of you were regulars, and you also  
found your organization and equip-  
ment inadequate and you saw your  
fellows pay for inadequacy.  
Congress now is lying down flatly  
in front of the request that it estab-  
lish universal military service. It will  
continue to be supine unless some

## SCRIPTURE

Micah 4:1-5.  
But in the last days it shall come  
to pass, that the mountain of the  
house of the Lord shall be established  
in the top of the mountains, and it  
shall be exalted above the hills; and  
people shall flow unto it.  
And many nations shall come, and  
say, Come, and let us go up to the  
mountain of the Lord, and to the  
house of the God of Jacob; and he will  
teach us of his ways, and we will walk  
in his paths; for the law shall go forth  
of Zion, and the word of the Lord  
from Jerusalem.  
And he shall judge among many  
people, and rebuke among nations  
afar off; and they shall beat their  
swords into plowshares, and their  
spears into pruning hooks; nation  
shall not lift up a sword against na-  
tion, neither shall they learn war any  
more.  
But they shall sit every man under  
his vine and under his fig tree; and  
they shall make them afraid; for the  
name of the Lord of hosts hath spoken  
and they shall walk every one in the  
name of his god, and we will be  
called by the name of the Lord our God  
forever.

## Big Picture to Be Shown at Queen Start- ing Tomorrow

The only influence in the country  
powerful enough to do this is the in-  
fluence of the A. E. F., of the Amer-  
ican Legion. If the veterans of this  
service tell congress that they are  
tired of jolly of American military  
procedure, congress must listen. If  
you fellows who have fought at dis-  
advantage, suffered because of dis-  
advantages, and have seen the man at  
your side die because of disadvan-  
tages, will tell congress that you are  
disgusted, something will come of it.  
Otherwise nothing will come.  
Otherwise there will be the same  
writhed risk and the same miserable  
inadequacy. The next war will find  
the nation in the same waste of men  
and money. It will find it getting off  
the same old crutches to hunt the  
same hidden club. It will find it pay-  
ing just as it has paid.  
If the next war comes within the  
next ten years, or even more, the  
nation, which now will do nothing for  
itself, will look to you to repeat. It  
will say that it has veterans. The  
mist will hurry into the first line of de-  
fense.

You who have been trained as sol-  
diers in a nation which will not train  
any more, will be asked to get back  
into the thing again. We want the  
you have done your duty. If there  
is an immediate obligation upon any  
class of citizens to be ready for  
next war, or to prevent another by  
being ready, it is upon the fellow  
who were too young to go when you  
went.  
If they are not ready they cannot  
go. Out of such material as it has  
the nation must construct a first line.  
You veterans, because of training and  
experience, must form that first line.  
If the country had universal service  
it would not have to go to war with  
one-tenth of the frequency with which  
it has had to go to war. If it had uni-  
versal service it would have an army  
in training and one in reserve. These  
armies would be immense in fact and  
power and cheap in reality. They  
would be protective.

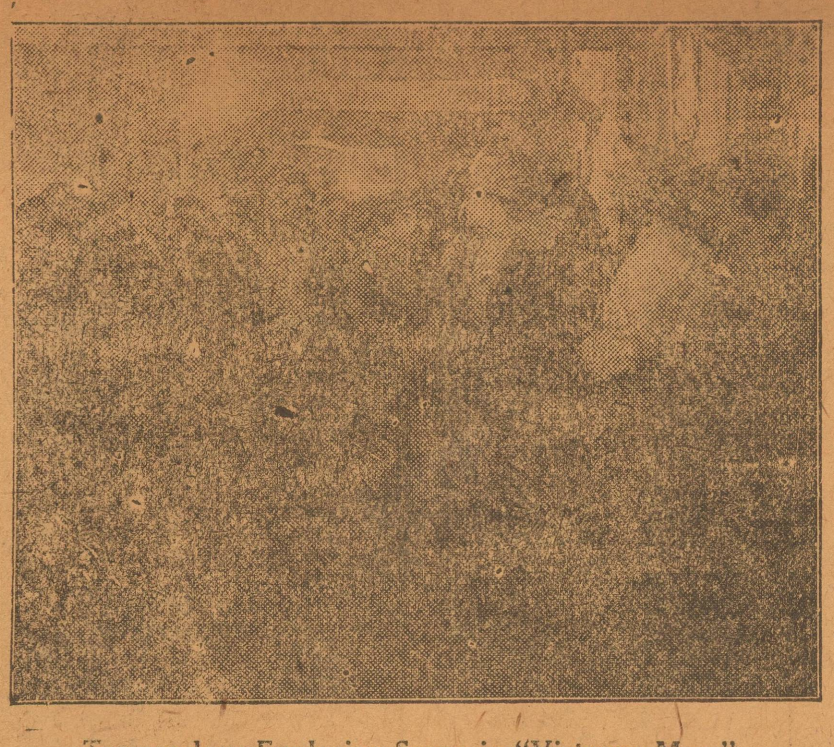
You men know all our military fal-  
lacies. You know all our military ab-  
surdities. You know exactly what  
civilian opinion is worth. You know  
the falseness of popular illusions. You  
know that an army is a composition  
of training, organization and equip-  
ment. You know that without train-  
ing, organization and equipment a  
mass of men is a mob which destroys  
itself.  
You know that the nation will not  
be protected if congress does what it  
wants to do—shirk the question. Con-  
gress is afraid of the nation. The  
nation ought to be afraid of congress.  
Some national guard officers op-  
pose universal service. We say to them  
that they are mistaken. The nation  
ought to recognize their services. They  
will be needed under universal  
service. They will be needed in higher  
ranks than they will have in a recon-  
structed national guard system.

The men of the A. E. F. must know  
that the United States has blundered  
into every war it ever fought and has  
blundered out of it, successfully, but  
with great waste.  
The American Legion can give the  
United States a sound military policy.  
If it does not bring influence to bear  
on congress, congress will die on the  
job. The boy of 19 ought to be trained  
—for his own good and the good of  
the nation.

## STATE BOARD OF CONTROL HAS WIDE POWERS

By Associated Press  
AUSTIN, Jan. 1.—The most sweep-  
ing changes in the government of  
Texas brought about by a single act  
since the republic became a state were  
made today when the board of control  
law became effective.  
This law delegates to a board, com-  
posed of three men appointed by the  
governor, control to a great extent  
of the state finances.  
This board not only takes over the  
duties of the state purchasing agent  
and thus controls expenditures, but it  
prepares the budgets for appropri-  
ations to be made by the legislature.  
In the past heads of various depart-  
ments and institutions have appeared  
before the appropriation committees  
of the senate and house and presented  
their estimates of the sums needed  
for various purposes during the next  
two years. Under the new law they  
will submit these estimates to the  
board of control, which will prepare  
an appropriation budget for submis-  
sion to the legislature.  
Under constitutional provisions the  
legislature may alter these budgets  
by increasing or decreasing them, and  
the power of the governor to veto  
items in the appropriation bills is still  
retained. Thus two checks against  
error or misconduct by the board are  
provided.  
In addition to preparing the approp-  
riation budgets and purchasing sup-  
plies for state institutions the board  
of control is delegated the duties and  
powers of the following, which are  
abolished:  
Board of public printing and state  
expert printer.  
Superintendent of buildings and  
grounds.  
State inspector of masonry, public  
buildings and works.

## Tremendous Explosion Scene in "Virtuous Men."



One of the spectacular features of  
"Virtuous Men," an epic picture, the  
biggest production of the present sea-  
son, starring E. K. Lincoln, will be  
shown at the Queen theater, com-  
mencing Friday, January 2, is the  
blowing up of a dock. Walter Ack-  
er, former technical director of the  
Vitaphone company, and responsible  
for many spectacular screen effects,  
was placed in charge of the details  
for these explosion scenes. He suc-  
ceeded in securing permission to blow  
up a dock one hundred and thirty-  
feet long. Five hundred pounds of  
powder were used in the explosion.  
The entire pier was demolished, in ad-  
dition to several buildings. The scene  
secured for "Virtuous Men" by this  
explosion are said by the manager to  
be spectacular in the extreme. They  
form but one of several sensational  
episodes which abound throughout the  
first "Ralph Ince Film Attraction,"  
E. K. Lincoln narrowly escaped se-  
vere injury during the taking of the  
explosion scenes. The force of the  
explosion threw the star of "Virtu-  
ous Men" to the ground. He was un-  
conscious for several moments, re-  
quiring the services of a physician.

## A DEAD MAN'S RIDE ON SPEDING MOTORCYCLE

GENEVA.—A dead man on a mo-  
torcycle rode through one of the prin-  
cipal streets here recently. Samuel  
Belloni, aged twenty-one, son of an  
Italian deputy, was riding on his ma-  
chine when he had a sudden heart at-  
tack and died while traveling at a  
good speed, his hands still holding  
the handles, though his head had fallen  
downward on the bar.  
The machine continued running for  
more than a hundred yards before  
collapsing.

How is it that Arthur never takes  
you to the theater nowadays?" que-  
ried Marie.  
"Well, you see," her friend replied,  
"one evening it rained, and we sat  
in the parlor."  
"Yes?"  
"Well, ever since that we—oh, I  
don't know; but don't you think that  
theaters are an awful bore?"—Tid-  
Bits.

## "VALUABLE LANDS ARE GIVEN TO THE LEGION"

THE PASO, Dec. 31.—One of  
the most valuable pieces of real estate  
in this city has been surrendered by  
the Indians to the Great War Veter-  
ans association for the erection of a  
memorial building. A formal vote  
was taken by the Pas band of In-  
dians and the proposal was carried  
by an overwhelming majority. The  
value of the property is placed at  
more than thirty thousand dollars.

## PHILIPPINE WOMEN TO GET VOTE SOON

Mme. Jaime De Veyra.  
Mme. Jaime De Veyra, wife of one  
of the representatives from the  
Philippine Islands to the U. S., in  
Washington, has just arrived in New  
York. She states her native country  
is soon to join the many women  
voters of the world, for the governor  
general of the islands has again  
recommended women suffrage. Mme.  
De Veyra claims that in the land of  
the Philippines women are equal to  
men in everything, and have been for  
a long time.

## WOULD REDUCE ARMY OF MEXICO TO 50,000

By Associated Press  
EL PASO, Jan. 1.—Reduction of  
the Mexican army to a peace strength  
of 50,000, instruction for soldiers, and  
an increased Mexican navy, are  
among measures advocated by Lieut-  
Col. Alvaro Obregon, candidate for  
president of Mexico, according to El  
Heraldo, a daily newspaper of Mexico  
City. The paper publishes a mani-  
festo issued to the Mexican army by  
Obregon, one part of which reads:  
"Considering the high mission that is  
entrusted to the army—that of  
safeguarding our national institutions  
and our national liberty—it is neces-  
sary that the army, by which term I  
include the navy as well, be organ-  
ized on an absolutely moral basis and  
under the strictest discipline."  
Among army reforms proposed by  
Obregon are equality among all mem-  
bers of the military service as to pen-  
sions and allowances, exclusion of  
criminals from the army "when the re-  
mission would be regarded as pun-  
ishment" and establishment of a com-  
petent inspection corps.  
El Heraldo publishes another mani-  
festo by Lieutenant-Colonel Obregon,  
urging that the responsibility for the  
Mexican president be extended to in-  
clude prohibition of attempts against  
the free function of congress and the  
supreme court, against the free exer-  
cise of the right of suffrage, against  
the sovereignty of the states and  
against the proper administration of  
public funds.

## WESTERN MAN IS NEW PRESIDENT OF NAT'L PRESS CLUB

By Associated Press  
EL PASO, Dec. 27.—Ten thousand  
dollars is the reward Charles Everett  
Barnard, Jr., 21, of Memphis, Tenn.,  
will receive for enlisting in the United  
States navy. He enlisted at the El  
Paso recruiting station.  
L. A. Barnard of Memphis, the  
boy's uncle, died two months ago,  
leaving an estate of \$75,000. His  
will stipulated Nephew Charles was  
to receive \$10,000 provided he became  
one of Uncle Sam's jacksies and served  
at least a two-year enlistment with  
honorable discharge.  
"Let the boy enlist and make a man  
of himself," said the will. Charles  
enlisted for three years as an ap-  
prentice seaman for an aviation me-  
chanic.  
The \$10,000 has been deposited in a  
Memphis savings bank at 4 per cent  
interest for the duration of the new  
Jackie's "cruise."  
CORK, Ireland.—An effort will be  
made early next year to retrieve the  
treasure from the wreck of the Lusitania,  
which lies off the Irish coast, it  
has been learned here.  
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ness may be, you can have your in-  
come tax report properly worked up  
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city of Ranger.  
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Public Accountant, 56-57 Terrell Bldg.



Mark L. Goodwin.  
Mark L. Goodwin, Washington cor-  
respondent for Dallas and Galveston  
papers, has been made president of  
the National Press club at the cap-  
ital, the largest organization of its  
kind in the world.

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# OIL BUSINESS HAS PUT T. P. ON ITS FEET AGAIN

Special to The Times.  
**FORT WORTH, Jan. 1.**—The substance of a news dispatch coming from Boston is that the oil business in West Texas is about to bring the Texas & Pacific out of the woods. It is said that the gross earnings of the road for 1919 will be about \$35,700,000, an increase of 30 per cent over the gross earnings of 1918, a record year. The large gross earning power of the road has been made possible largely through the big business in the West Texas oil fields.

## NO UNITY IN INDIA UNTIL CHRISTIANIZED

**DALLAS, Jan. 1.**—There will never be unity in India until the country is Christianized, according to Dr. C. A. R. Jenvier, president of the Ewing Christian college at Allahabad, India, in an address here recently. He has spent thirty-two years as a missionary in India.

Caste restrictions are the primary cause for the torpidity of India, Dr. Jenvier said. Because of the fatalistic nature of the religion of the majority of the inhabitants he declared the people have not shown aggressiveness and kept pace with other nations of the world.

"England has promised the country some measure of self-government," Dr. Jenvier said. "The change probably will be inaugurated in six months. This will give an incentive to the people to get together and lay aside their religious and caste differences. The Hindus and Mohammedans are antagonistic to each other, which is going to make it hard for self-government to be introduced to any extent."

An English woman, Anna Besant, the widow of a Church of England clergyman, has more influence over the natives of India than any other person, Dr. Jenvier said. This woman is a theosophist who has been a leader among the Hindus for many years.

"For a while Anna Besant was an extremist in regard to self-government for India; that is, she believed the Hindus should have much more freedom than England was ready to grant. Recently she has become moderate, she and her followers accepting a form of modified government."

## POOR GIRLS SHOULD NOT "COPY" RICH GIRLS

**DALLAS, Jan. 1.**—Poor girls should not attempt to associate with daughters of the rich, said Mrs. John Brewer of Dallas, speaking to the Dallas Mothers' Council.

"There is where the trouble comes in," said Mrs. Brewer. "There are girls who go to school wearing party dresses and French-heeled slippers. They go in cliques. Poor girls should not attempt to go with them."

The discussion was brought about by a letter from a father who declared schools were creating "much wretchedness" in the homes because school girls did not dress simply. Another letter read from a mother said her girl had been forced to quit school "because she could not keep pace in dress and had gone to work for a pitiful sum."

The letters caused much sharp discussion. One member of the council said in her opinion girls should be taught they were going to school for an education and that "clothes really don't make much difference."

Community centers where "the father and mother who have not kept up with the times can go and mingle with their neighbors who have" was suggested by Mrs. Wendel Spence as a possible solution.

Another member of the council said a girl should "outgrow her parents, not in an unkind way, but merely in progress," and expressed her belief that "parents get as much respect as they deserve or command."

**Big Springs.**—A trainload of Wyoming and Montana cattle arrived here Christmas day for the West Texas pasturage, having been shipped from those states because of the continued droughts. O'Donnell, near here, has been an animated scene of reception for this class of stock for the last three or four months.

According to figures gathered by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, it is estimated that not less than 60,000 steers have been brought to this section from the northwest in the last four months. The conditions here could never have been better.

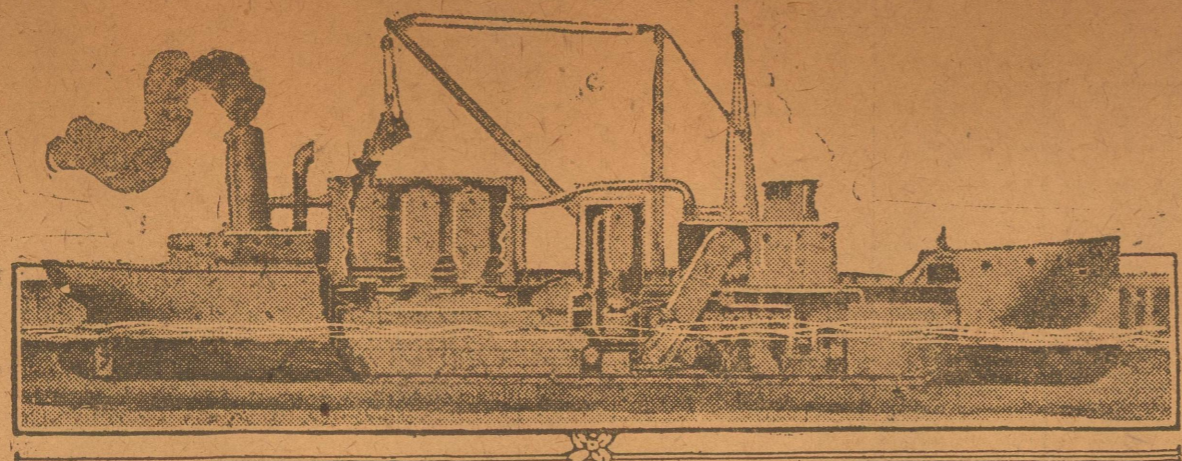
In Borden county stockmen who sustained considerable loss during the 1918 depression, and who shipped much of their stock to good ranges, are combing the entire country in search of stock to rehabilitate their splendid ranches.

**Gail, Borden County, Texas.**—The bumper crops in this section of the West this year have brought an influx of farmers who are trying to secure land for a next year's crop, according to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Never in the history of this section has there been such a wonderful opportunity. However, the stockman is not eager to sell his lands for small farm purposes, though \$40 to \$60 an acre is being offered. Most of the tillable lands of the county are remote from transportation.

Stockmen report conditions the best in a number of years, and they are looking forward to 1920 being even better for their interests than was 1919.

**FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.**—The Sinclair Consolidated Oil and Gas company has just brought in a 1,000-barrel well in the western part of the Desdemona field. It is the company's No. 2 Edmondson, which has been showing oil for several years. The well increased its flow from 100 to 1,000 barrels when drilled deep. It is now 2,790 feet deep.

## NEW YORK TO TRY FLOATING REDUCTION PLANTS



A view of one of the proposed reduction ships.

New York city officials, after wrestling two years with the problem of supplying reduction facilities to take care of the garbage of the metropolis, have decided to experiment with floating reduction plants. Charles G. Armstrong, an engineer, has been authorized to design ships suitable for the work. It is claimed that machinery planned will reduce the garbage without odor.

## French Dancer Dies From Drugs

**International News Service**  
**PARIS, Dec. 31.**—The death under tragic circumstances of Criqui, once a well-known Paris actress, has crystallized public attention on the drug evil with the result that the police are now making wholesale arrests of vendors of cocaine, morphine and heroin.

Six years ago Criqui arrived in Paris from a provincial town, an orphan seeking work. She obtained employment as a chorus girl, but advanced so rapidly that in less than two years she was one of the stars of the Paris concert halls. Then she began to lose her sprightliness and finally disappeared from the stage altogether. The theatrical people downtown heard that she was proprietress of a rendezvous in Montmartre for gamblers who played only for heavy stakes and that she was making a fortune. Once or twice a month she dined alone at one of the big restaurants near the Opera and always departed alone in a big limousine.

A few nights ago Criqui entered the famous Bal Tabarin dancing palace in Montmartre on the arm of a slender, swarthy youth, evidently of Spanish extraction. They ordered a bottle of wine and began dancing in the midst of a wild fox trot and with the eyes of half the spectators on her Criqui suddenly fell to the floor in a swoon. She was carried to the dressing room, but died without regaining consciousness.

The police investigation showed that Criqui's death had been caused by an overdose of morphine and that another showgirl, known on the stage as "Mitzi," had given it to her. "Mitzi" was first held on a homicide charge, but finding that she could not be convicted the police laid a new charge of trafficking in drugs.

The following night raids were made all over the city. In one big restaurant in the heart of Paris a captain of waiters and several waiters working under him were arrested as drug vendors. It was proven that they made large sums of money selling cocaine, principally to women patrons. Several other raids in the Montmartre district brought into court owners of drug stores and tobacco shops. One book dealer who concealed cocaine inside the covers of a certain book whose name was supposed to be known only to drug users who were "all right" was arrested and heavily fined.

## TEXAS WINTER WHEAT IS 1,077,000 ACRES

**HOUSTON, Dec. 31.**—Texas winter wheat acreage planted this fall is estimated to be 1,077,000 acres which is but approximately fifty-five per cent of the planted acreage of 1918," according to E. M. Johnston, field agent for Texas.

"This marked reduction has been caused almost wholly by the excessive fall rains which prevented seeding, although labor scarcity has also been a factor.

The greatest decrease has been in the black land belt of north and central Texas where but twenty-five per cent of last year's acreage has been planted."

## REPRESENTS ITALY IN MANY CAPITALS



Newest photo of Baron Romano Avezzano.

Baron Avezzano, new ambassador to the U. S. from Italy, has recently sent his country in almost every capital in Europe before receiving the American appointment. He is married and has two children, a son and a daughter, both of whom were married in Rome in 1911.

## PLAN REFORESTATION IN N. Y. STATE IN SPRING

**COHOCTON, N. Y.**—Forestry in New York state is receiving active interest and a bright future for New York states' forests is promised. Speaking here before the Cohocton grange, Prof. Russell T. Green, of the New York State College of Forestry at Syracuse, stated that many of the state's counties are planning reforestation projects for the coming spring. He said Otsego county will plant 100,000 trees, Chenango county 60,000 while in northern New York there are evidences of unusual activity in reforestation.

**FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.**—John Ringling, the circus and railroad magnate, and his party, in the "JoMar," Ringling's private car, passed through Fort Worth yesterday from Eastland where he purchased the Eastland, Wichita Falls & Gulf Railroad.

A legal contract for the purchase of the road has been made with the directors. The only details which have not been completed are the transfer of the stock from certain individuals in the company.

The contract between Ringling and the stockholders of the road calls for the immediate construction of the road. It is further stipulated that the railroad line shall go through the Stephens county oil fields and Ringling is bound to operate it in opposition to the Wichita Falls, Ranger & Fort Worth line, which Frank Kell and Jake Hamon are undertaking to build between Newcastle and Dublin.

## SUBSTITUTE WILL KILL ALL TOPERS, SAYS JUDGE

**International News Service**  
**ASHVILLE, N. C., Dec. 31.**—Judge Wells, of the Police Court here, foresees an era of sobriety if prohibition continues in force. He believes the chronic inebriates will be dead in a few years, as their systems cannot withstand long the effects of the poisonous concoctions sold as substitutes for liquor.

Pints of beef, iron and wine, with label washed off, have been bought by the gullible for \$6, although the druggists' price is \$1. A prisoner who drank a quantity of it told the judge its effects were the worst he ever had experienced, and he had tried everything from bay rum to medicated alcohol.

## OCTOBER OIL EXPORTS SHOW AN INCREASE

**FORT WORTH, Jan. 1.**—Oil exports for October were 271,700,000 gallons, an increase of 95 per cent over the exports of September. The exports are valued at \$34,700,000.

The leader was illuminating oils, with shipments of 94,255,312 gallons, an increase of more than 21,200,000 gallons over the previous month.

The Malay peninsula is now supplying more than two-thirds of the world's tin.

In Argentina an employer may impose a penalty on a workman for defective work.

## REGION HEAD ASKS CONSIDERATION FOR THE EX-SERVICE MEN



Franklin D'Olier.

At a recent meeting of the officials of the war risk insurance bureau and the state heads of the American Legion, Franklin D'Olier, national legislator, urged legislation by congress giving service men "the consideration they deserve at the hands of the government." He expressed the hope that a policy of false economy would be pursued in respect to the disabled soldier.

## WATCH

for our page advertisement that will appear in this paper within the next few days.

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## Ludendorff's Car Now in Chicago

**CHICAGO, Dec. 31.**—General Ludendorff's general headquarters motor car with the same black body and sloping duck nose that carried the military head of the German armies over Belgian and French roads while its occupant was seeking to annihilate the Allies, can be seen almost any day on Chicago's streets and boulevards.

Bullet scarred and battered after traveling more than 60,000 miles as the equine of the German commander the limousine has returned to peaceful pursuits and civilian service.

In the summer of 1914 C. L. Willey, a Chicago lumber merchant, with his wife was touring Germany in the motor car. The war flamed up and the automobile was seized by German officials despite its owner's protests becoming the official property of Gen. Ludendorff.

Somewhere in its war activity the limousine was the target of well aimed machine gun fire from the Allied airmen and its roof was perforated in many places.

Through an American consul Mr. Peru.

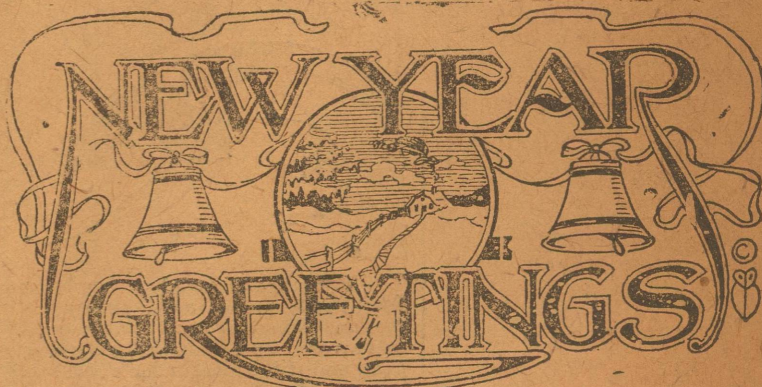
Willey brought about the return of the automobile. C. L. Willey died in 1916 and the car is now used daily by his son, C. B. Willey.

**Six Hunters Claim Same Deer**  
**BELLEFONTAINE, Dec. 31.**—The courts may have to decide how division should be made of a deer. The animal was brought down by a party of hunters near here, and after it was found that there were six bullets in the body it developed that the six hunters had fired simultaneously. Each one believes that he shot the first and is entitled to the head and hide, as decreed by custom.

**Cold Spell Reduces Burglaries.**  
**International News Service.**  
**LINCOLN, Neb.**—At least one benefit of the severely cold weather of the cold shortage has been discovered, according to the police here.

Never in the history of the city, the police say, has there been such a small number of burglaries. The officials say the cause is the shortage of fuel and believe the burglars know the people are sleeping in cold rooms and fear the least sound would awaken them.

Java has taken the leadership in cultivation of quinine away from



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# THEATERS

## LONE STAR

Cruze Also Actor—Director of "An Adventure in Hearts" Talks About It.

James Cruze, the motion picture director who has handled the screening of all of Wallace Reid's recent films and who directed "An Adventure in Hearts," the picture in which Robert Warwick is coming to the Lone Star theater during the latter part of the week, appeared in over 250 photographs as a character actor before he took up the directing end of the business. He was known as "the master of make-up" and created several notable screen characters. Cruze is among those who do not believe the good character actor gets anywhere near the credit due him for his work. "The other actors and the directors—they know," he said recently, "but the people who go to see the pictures don't care particularly whether the character man's work is good or bad. He can work his head off making a minute study of a type, do his best in the way of make-up, and then have his efforts go for naught as far as public recognition is concerned. Most movie fans regard them simply as folks to fill in the spaces when the star is off the screen. There's more fine character acting going to waste in the films than any other feature of the business."

## "A LADY'S TAILOR" FINE NEW COMEDY

Pretty Girls and Innovations Aplenty in Farce.

It is generally admitted that every Paramount-Mack Sennett comedy acts as a nerve tonic and a "blues" chaser on the minds of the audience, but the latest one, "A Lady's Tailor," is said to be a most excellent eye invigorator as well. It will be shown at the Lone Star theater tomorrow.

Most of the action takes place at a summer resort, whether Ford Sterling, playing the part of a weary city modest, comes in search of relaxation from business cares and the watchful eye of his mother-in-law.

It is said that many new innovations and frolics are introduced in this comedy. One of these is a bathing suit dance on the beach in the moon light, participated in by the pick of the beautiful Sennett girls.

Others in the cast besides Ford Sterling are Harriet Hammond, Eiv Thatcher, Katherine McGuire and Billy Bevan.

## OPERA HOUSE

"The Glorious Lady," Olive Thomas' third Selznick picture shown next week at the Opera House, tells the tale of the love of the Duke of Lorraine for beautiful Ivis Benson (Olive Thomas), a peasant girl. This love is fanned into a strong flame when Ivis rescues the duke at the risk of her own life during the running of the annual "point-to-point" race. This race is similar to our American steeplechase, and is an English custom which had its origin far back in the baronial days. In this event all are permitted to compete—high and low, born alike—and fierce is the rivalry and strong the enthusiasm as the contenders strive for victory. "The Glorious Lady" was written by Mary Murillo and Edmund Goulding.

## QUEEN TODAY

"Bare Fists" tells the story of a marshal's son who is bound by a promise given to his mother that he will never use his gun, even in self defense. Carey's father had been killed in a gun fight and the mother's fear that her son would meet the same fate led her to exact the promise. Naturally Carey's enemies are not long in finding out his plight, and they haze and humiliate him unmercifully until, at a last, unforgiving outrage, he finds a way to triumph over them.

A tense moment from "Virtuous Men," to be shown at the Queen theater, beginning Friday, January 2, is a melodrama filled with action and tensely dramatic situations. In the role of Bob Stokes, E. K. Lincoln, star of "Virtuous Men," enacts many highly dramatic scenes with great realism. One of the big moments of the production comes when Stokes is confronted by his arch enemy, Brummen, who has plotted his ruin. With his back against the wall Stokes is faced with the alternative of fighting his way through or losing an important contract for which he has worked for months. This scene also involves the happiness of himself and the daughter of his employer, with whom he is in love. How he escapes the trap, conquers his enemy and fulfills his obligations form an exciting part of this big melodrama.

## SATIN TURBAN TRIMMED WITH VULTURE IS STUNNING MODE FOR RESTAURANT WEAR



The large picture hat may be beautiful and effective as a frame for the face, but there never will be anything more chic and dashing than the small turban. There is something poignant and fetching about a full round face as revealed by the snug-fitting draped turban. This model is particularly good and it is suitable for almost any occasion, but was originally designed for restaurant wear. It is made of draped satin with natural colored vulture spreading out on both sides like wings.

An S-L picture, to be shown at the Queen theater on the date mentioned above.

## HIPPODROME

Opening today with the usual daily matinee, the Jewel-Golden company will be seen in another delightful tabloid musical comedy entitled "The Isle of Bo-Bo," which is an oriental musical fantasy of the better class.

The plot of the play has to do with two stranded sailors who after many hardships, land at the island of Bo-Bo which is inhabited by beautiful women only. The oriental costuming of this production is said to be beautiful; the setting is said to be most elaborate, and produced at a cost of \$2,000. The chorus will be seen in a series of new songs and dances.

## Preparedness

Judge White is telling with relish of his encounter with a certain young matron of the Wiltshire district. It seems her husband had been spending most of his nights at the club and the lady hinted to his honor that one of these days she might bring the matter into court. It was serious. The other day, however, encountering the judge on the street, she buttonholed him, saying: "Judge, I'm so sorry I said all those things about my husband. He is all right after all." "Why the change of heart?" asked White, curiously. "Well, the other night a burglar broke into the house and my husband laid him out with a poker. I had heard that he was a poker expert and now I understand. The dear boy has been spending his nights preparing for just such an emergency." — Los Angeles Times.

## Wise Willie

"What is the meaning of false doctrine, Willie?" asked the Sunday school teacher. "It's when the doctor gives the wrong stuff to a sick man," replied Willie.—London Tid-Bits.

## EXPECT MANY DEATHS FROM NIGHT'S REVEL

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—The authorities throughout the country today gravely awaited reports of the New Year's Eve revels for confirmation or refutation of their predictions that a wave of deaths from wood alcohol poisoning, which took a toll of approximately 125 lives during the Christmas holidays, would be repeated. There was slight evidence early today that the celebrators had not profited by the knowledge gained from the Christmas disasters.

## Quiet at Washington

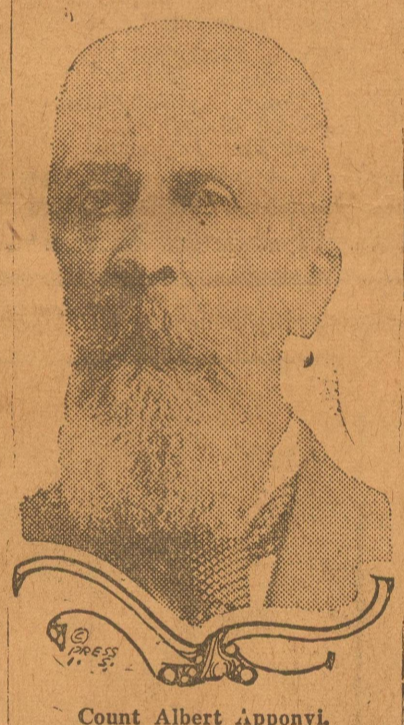
WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The new year was quietly observed here. There was no formal celebration in official circles because of the illness of President Wilson. Secretary and Mrs. Lansing were the hosts at luncheon to the diplomatic corps. Receptions were held by Secretaries and Mmes. Daniels and Baker.

## With Small Sum, You May Save the Life of This Man

Here is a chance for Ranger to be a "goodfellow" to an oil field worker, who is very ill. Alvy Brown is confined to his bed—seriously ill—in room 16, Phoenix hotel No. 2. He has had two operations recently and unless he can be sent to Hot Springs at once, his days in this world will have ended. He has no money or other means of support. Friends of his have appealed to The Times to aid in raising a fund so that he can be sent to Hot Springs for the treatment that it is confidently believed will save his life. All money contributed should be sent to the C. & A. store.

We pay so much for shoes these days that we think they ought to be sold under a mileage guarantee, like automobile tires.—New Haven Register.

## LEADS HUNGARIAN PEACE DELEGATION



Count Albert Apponyi. The Hungarian peace delegation, sent to Neuilly, near Paris, to receive the Hungarian peace treaty, is headed by Count Albert Apponyi. He has been a leader in Hungarian affairs for many years.

"Naw it aint Venus Coming Out o'the Bath Tub" SEE THE PAPERS EVERYDAY DON'T MISS THE BIG NEWS

## Many Patents Issued to Texans

Special to The Times. WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The following patents have been granted to Texans, the commissioner of patents announces: James F. Butler, Quinlan, wash board; Robert E. Carmichael, assignor of one-half to C. Hamman, Houston, Texas, device for forming screens; Walker A. Edwards, Jr., Austin, dental implement; Alda F. Hawkins, Fort Worth, molding device; George W. Ingram, Houston, valve remover; James E. Orr, Dallas, window shade guide; Preston G. Taylor, Mumford, tire tool; Samuel S. Thomas and E. F. Thomas, Pampa, attachment for headers; Howard L. Agce and S. A. Agce, Fort Worth, screen hanger; Burke Baker, Houston, assignor to American Briquet company, means for drying briquets; Robert F. Carmichael, Dameron, assignor of one-half to G. Hamman, Houston, (five patents), apparatus for sulphur mining, pipe wrench, pine cutter, sample-taking device; Bruce E. Eaton, Dallas, faucet drain; Harold W. Fletcher, Houston, device for unscrewing and withdrawing pipe; Peter G. Pappas, Macedonia, bell holder; Benjamin F. Runvan, Houston, diver's mask; Matthew E. Snav, Wichita Falls, bevel square; Edward L. Watrous, El Paso, galvanizing process; Edward V. Wilke, San Antonio, traffic signal; James Albritton, Rockport, wagon brace; Daniel L. Anthony, El Paso, means for

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A Shot Was Fired— A man was killed. Beside the body was thrown a wicked-looking derringer—a pistol that could be easily carried concealed. A witness appeared to accuse Harry of the murder, and the charge was made that he had never been unarmed—that he carried the coward's weapon instead.

HARRY CAREY As the Man Who Promised His Mother He Wouldn't Shoot "BARE FISTS"

QUEEN THEATER TODAY Here's Harry Carey's newest and most exciting Western picture—a big, human, thrilling story full of heart interest that winds up with the most breathless scene of an honest man taking his honest revenge that you've ever seen. Don't miss "BARE FISTS." It's great.

THE PICTURE YOU HAVE WANTED TO SEE For romance at high tension See Tom Mix in "A RUFF RIDING ROMANCE" LIBERTY THEATRE

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ROBERT WARWICK Also Mack Sennett's "A LADY'S TAILOR" With Ford Sterling

HIPPODROME THEATER TONIGHT A Musical Comedy Organization of class and distinction—100 per cent strong—Jewel Golden Co. In the bright, sparkling musical fantasy The Isle of Bo-Bo The Big Laughing Show All new wardrobe, scenic, songs, dances, comedy and effects. 16 People—Mostly Girls With an olio of High Class Vaudeville. The one best bet of the winter season. ALSO A FEATURE PICTURE AND COMEDY

T O - D A Y H. N. Nelson Presents "THE MYSTERIOUS MR. BROWNING" Featuring WALTER MILLER with EDNA MASON COMING NEXT TUESDAY Olive Thomas in "The Glorious Lady" By Mary Murillo and Edmund Goulding WATCH FOR THE DATE OF "THE GAMBLERS" Opera House

ENJOY YOUR NEW YEAR'S DAY DINNER AT Cole's Cafeteria 118 South Austin St. Open from 6:30 a. m. to 9 p. m.

### LIVE SPORT NEWS AND VIEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

**KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 31.**—Of the world war has emerged a type of football that has proved of great drawing power than the sport of the pre-war days.

Such is the consensus of opinion athletic directors of institutions comprising the Missouri valley conference, who declare that football drew its largest crowds and created its greatest interest during the 1919 season.

Crowds ranging from 5,000 to 6,000 persons witnessed the majority of games, athletic directors reported. Six thousand persons saw the Kansas Aggie-Iowa Aggie contest at Ames, Iowa. More than 5,000 people were banked on the side lines at Columbia Mo., when the Tigers met Nebraska. The Kansas Aggies played to 22,000 spectators during the season.

A considerable bulge in football receipts for 1919 over those of other years is noted, but it is pointed out that increased expenses of the game this year cut a wide swath in receipts. The high cost of football had made its advent, directors said.

That increased interest in football this season presages more popular outdoor seasons in the future, is the belief of athletic managers and coaches.

**MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.**—George K. Belden, president of the Minneapolis baseball club, is opposed to the 168 game schedule plan of the American association. Belden made this declaration in connection with a report from Chicago that the league negotiators were unanimously in favor of the longer schedule and early spring start. He is expected to oppose the new schedule plan at the association meeting in Chicago, January 15. He prefers a schedule of 164 games.

**DETROIT.**—The signing of players for the 1920 Detroit American league team already is under way. Two pitchers, two catchers and an outfielder were among the first to sign contracts. They are Hubert ("Dutch") Leonard and Bernie Boland; Eddie Ainsmith and Oscar Stanage and Robert Veach.

The usual stories that Ty Cobb, the Tigers' star center fielder, may not play ball next year are in circulation, but little credence is given them. Cobb's contract holds over for another year, and it generally is expected he will be with the club on opening day.

The Detroit club will train at Macon, Ga. The pitching staff is scheduled to start south February 22, the remainder of the club following a week later. Exhibition games in the south again will be played with the Boston Nationals.

A proposal that the Tigers play the Cincinnati Nationals April 10 probably will not be accepted. Conflicting dates is given as the reason. An effort is being made to arrange a contest on that date with the Indianapolis team of the American association.

**IOWA CITY, Iowa.**—Nebraska and the University of Iowa football teams will not meet next year unless negotiations to that end are resumed. Howard H. Jones, of the Iowa school, does not wish to play such heavy opposition as Nebraska is expected to provide a week before the game with Illinois. The tentative Iowa schedule calls for five conference games and a sixth with Ames, which in past years has proven as hard on the team as any of the conference contests.

**MINNEAPOLIS.**—Track team practice will be under way at the University of Minnesota by January 15. Coach Len Frank is optimistic as he has a wealth of material for dual meets and the conference struggle. Frank seems unusually well supplied with quarter-mile runners and a fast mile relay team.

Arnold Oss, football and basketball star, has done the distance in 49 3-5, but he will have B. F. Johnson, captain of the 1917 team, and Dick Fisher, to keep him company. Johnson has done the 220 in 22 seconds, while Fisher was a star in 1916. Capt. John Holt also is a sprinter of conference ability.

The Gopher squad is well supplied with distance men, jumpers and pole vaulters, but Frank will be obliged to develop point winners in the weight events.

**IOWA CITY, Iowa.**—University of Iowa football fans are awaiting the decision of Lester C. Belding of Mason City, right end of the university football team, on whether he will enter West Point next year or return to Iowa.

Belding has been nominated by United States Senator Kenyon to enter the military academy, but has not made known his decision. He was named by many critics as a member of the all-conference and all-western honorary football eleven.

William S. Kelly, captain of the 1920 University of Iowa football squad, announced he would not accept the appointment at West Point recently offered him.

**CALGARY, Alta.**—The Alberta Caledonian curling association has decided to attract curlers with a prize list valued at \$3,500 for the annual provincial bonspiel which starts January 19. It will be the most elaborate display of silverware and cut glass ever offered for a similar event in the dominion. The committee proposes to make the spiel second only to the Winnipeg annual contest, and many rinks from Winnipeg to Vancouver will be on hand.

**DETROIT.**—Archie Yelle, catcher, has signed his 1920 contract with the Detroit American league baseball club. The coming season will be Yelle's fourth with the Tigers.

**ST. LOUIS.**—An annual inter-city tennis match between Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis has been proposed by Robert Deneck of St. Louis.

### FAMOUS AVIATRIX RETURNS TO U. S.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oliver, photographed on arrival.

Mrs. Charles Oliver, known to the world as Ruth Law, famous aviatrix, recently returned to New York from across the Atlantic with her husband. Oliver has acted as agent for the daring flier for many seasons. She has been flying in Europe.

### Departure of Occult Caused Fall of the Kaiser According to Attendant

**BERLIN, Jan. 1.**—How a mysterious Armenian, known as Karamandjan, wielded strange occult influence over the ex-Kaiser, just as the Russian monk, Rasputin, held psychic sway over the late Czarina of Russia, was revealed today.

"If Karamandjan had not been expelled from Germany the House of Hohenzollern would still be able to look the world proudly in the face," said Herr Leopold Roth, formerly a personal attendant upon the ex-Kaiser and now caretaker of one of the royal residences near Berlin. Roth told an astounding story of the mysterious Armenian. His remarkable statement follows:

"Karamandjan first appeared upon the scene shortly after Gen. Ludendorff became first quartermaster general of the German army. The ex-Kaiser, who had been notoriously unfriendly towards Field Marshal von Hindenburg ever since the Field Marshal out-generaled his master at maneuvers, vented his displeasure on Ludendorff. The General resented the Emperor's attitude and an open breach was only prevented by the mediation of Dr. Goenz, the chief army chaplain, who was continually pouring oil upon the troubled waters.

**Introduced as Masseur.**  
"Dr. Goenz introduced to Ludendorff the mysterious Armenian ostensibly as a masseur and Karamandjan became a person of the most extraordinary influence. I was invariably present at the ex-Emperor's side at all times excepting during the war council, but I never saw Karamandjan act as masseur.

"Karamandjan would face the former Kaiser, gaze at him fixedly and then speak rapidly in an unknown tongue. After a few minutes William would extend his hand, which the Armenian would grasp, speaking slowly and impressively.

"It always appeared to me that Karamandjan was trying to impress some important fact upon the imperial mind. At all events from the moment of the appearance of Karamandjan the relations between William and Ludendorff became most harmonizing, the former acquiescing unhesitatingly in Ludendorff's views.

"When success came in the spring of 1918, William's spirits became excellent and at the beginning of July Karamandjan expressed a desire to take a vacation. William was unwilling to allow him to depart, but finally reluctantly consented.

**"Come Back Quickly."**  
"Come back quickly," said William, "I feel quite at a loss without you. Then he handed Karamandjan a gold snuff box bearing the imperial monogram.

"A month later the allied offensive began. William became irritable and morose and repeatedly asked 'where is Karamandjan?' Efforts were made to recall the Armenian, but without success. One day a report was received from Warnemunde that a mysterious stranger was in prison there for having been found in possession of a gold snuff box bearing the imperial monogram. Karamandjan accounted for his possession of the snuff box by what the police regarded as a cock and bull story. Whether he attempted to appeal directly to the ex-kaiser and his efforts

to stimulate interest in tennis in the territory of the Western Lawn Tennis association.

A suitable cup, to be played for during the next three or five years, would be donated. The plan for the competition calls for the alternation each year of the cities as the site for the staging of the games.

It has been suggested that teams be composed of four players, three men and a woman, and that the events consist of two men's singles and one woman's singles, one men's doubles and one mixed doubles, making a total of five attractions. Two days would be necessary to complete each annual match.

All rules and regulations would be subject to the approval of the National and Western associations.

H. A. DeVaux and wife and child have returned from a visit to Chicago and other points. Mr. DeVaux is associated with a large oil company recently organized here.

International News Service.

**WASHINGTON.**—To prevent thousands of dollars' loss on spoiled dairy products which have occurred annually, farmers over the country are preparing this year to harvest their own ice wherever possible, according to the department of agriculture.

Because of scarcity of ice farmers every year stand great losses. This year conditions make it possible to harvest ice from the streams at a time when men and materials are plentiful, and farmers are preparing to take full advantage of them.

The cost of harvesting the ice is negligible, the department pointed out. The statement said that with proper storage, allowing from forty to fifty cubic feet per ton of ice, and forethought in selecting or preparing a stream for the ice field, a plentiful supply can be obtained.

Two new insurance rates for Texas soon.

**AUSTIN, Dec. 31.**—The new insurance rates for Texas to become effective January 1, 1920, have been announced by the state fire insurance commission as follows:

"Policies covering mixed feeds, chows, bran and by-products of grain, beans and peas when stored in elevators or warehouses, occupied exclusively by such, are to be written subject to the provisions of the 100 per cent reduced rate and co-insurance clause, but the clause is not to be attached to policies covering hay.

"In rating dwellings, barns, private automobile garages and other out-buildings in connection therewith and contents thereof and on apartment houses of less than three apartments and rated under the dwelling schedule and on out-buildings in connection therewith and contents thereof, in cities, towns and villages, one-third of the key rate is to be included and not one-half of the key rate as heretofore.

"The Texas removal basis schedules will at a later date be amended.

**MEXICO NOT TO ACT ON PETROLEUM BILL**

**Special to The Times.**  
**MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.**—Action on the all-important petroleum bill is improbable, according to parliamentary experts, who have pointed out that only today remains for the regular session of the Mexican continuous session since Sept. 1, 1918, to close. The congress has been in extraordinary sessions lasting from March 1 to Aug. 31, 1919, almost joining the regular sessions which the constitution provides for during the last four months of each year.

**FORMER AUSTRIAN ATTACHE BACK AS POLISH SUBJECT**

Prince Alfred de Rohenlohe, his wife and son Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oliver, photographed on arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oliver, photographed on arrival.

### MODERN DRESS IS LURE TO SIN, SAYS PREACHER

**LONDON.**—"The flimsy, bare-backed, low-bodiced and short skirted gowns promote scandal, they lure to sin, they create evil desires and advertise in many instances their wearers' readiness to gratify them."

Thus commented the Rev. Father Bernard Vaughan, author of the series of sermons on "The Sins of Society," when asked for his opinion of the archbishop of Paris' edict directing women to rebel against indecent fashions.

"To my way of thinking," said Father Vaughan, "modern fashions are as injurious to a woman's body as to her soul. Girls of today are not hygienic in their habits.

"In no sense of the word are they properly clothed or shod. Their feet cannot be dry nor their bodies warm. It would seem that their aim in life is to invite besieging armies of microbes to fasten upon them and drag them down to an early grave.

"I am told on the best authority that thousands of girls slip into consumption and drop into pneumonia when, if they would pay less attention to fashion and more to health, they might live to see a second or third generation.

"I would say to any girl wanting to get married: 'Dress modestly. Bear yourself modestly. Create in men a respect and reverence for you and have nothing to do with animal dances or dancers. If marriages are made in heaven, God, our father, if you will let him, will bring you in contact with the man who will make you queen of his heart and the mistress of his house. In the long run vice cannot compete with virtue. It is too heavily handicapped.'"

### CAPTAIN HEINIE OF REDS SELLS SHIRTS NOWADAYS



Heinie Groh, captain of the world's champion Reds, isn't living on his share of the series coin these days. Heinie's "fillin' in" as a clerk in a haberdashery store in Cincinnati. Heinie, by the way, is some little Beau Brummel.

**AMERICAN WOMAN MADE FIRST GAS MASK**

**PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.**—It is claimed that the first gas mask based upon the use of charcoal for the absorption of highly poisonous gases from the atmosphere, the principle which in actual practice was so valuable to the armies in the world war, was made by the late Mrs. J. B. Garner, of Pittsburg. This statement is made at the Mellon institute of research here.

Mrs. Garner, the wife of the director of research of an important natural gas company here, became interested in the experiments her husband was conducting in connection with the gases which at that time, early in 1915, had appeared on the battlefields of Europe. When the principle was once established, the institute declared, Mrs. Garner designed and made a dozen gas masks of the canister type, and in June, 1915, they were handed over to the representatives in America of the British government. They were sent to England, and from this first design other gas masks were made.

When the United States entered the war full details of the experimental work, and all apparatus that had been employed were supplied to the government. Mrs. Garner, whose husband is a fellow of the Mellon institute of research, died a year ago.

### TEST WELLS IN COTTE COUNTY SHOW UP WELL

**Special to The Times.**  
**FORT WORTH, Dec. 31.**—Excellent progress is being made upon the test wells being drilled in Cottle county. The McAdams well, twelve miles east of Paducah, is now below 3,000 feet. The L. Y. C. Oil company is hauling out material to its

location in the Chalk district, twelve miles south of Paducah. Ten miles northeast of Paducah and not far from the east line of the county a rig is up and the operators are ready to start drilling. This well is to be drilled by Gillette.

A good many of the standing jokes should be sat upon.—Detroit News.

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# CASING CREW WORKER DIES OF INJURIES

William Butts, a casing crew worker, aged about 25 years, died at the Ranger General hospital last night as a result of burns sustained yesterday.

Butts was working near a high-pressure gas main, on a lease fourteen miles from Ranger. A one-inch pipe had been run from the main for use as a warming torch. The gas pressure burst the small pipe and the high pressure main caught fire. Butts sustained severe burns about the face and body, and his clothing caught fire.

He was rescued from the flames by fellow workmen and brought to this city in the ambulance of the John E. Milford company. His injuries were treated by Dr. Weir, and he was taken to the hospital, where he died about 8 o'clock last night.

His brother, who lives in Joplin, Mo., arrived in town today. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

# Firemen's Ball Raises \$700 for Benefit Fund

Between seven and eight hundred people attended the first annual firemen's ball, given at the fire station last night. Mayor Hagaman, City Manager Turner and members of the city commission were present, and also a delegation of visiting officials from Eastland.

The hall was decorated in an appropriate manner. Many ladies were present to take part in the occasion. The dance broke up a little after midnight.

Tickets for the dance have been on sale the last three weeks. About \$700 was received from the sale of tickets. This money will go toward establishing a benefit fund for sick and injured firemen.

# 1,003 Wells Are Drilling in the Ranger Field

Special to The Times.

FOUR WORKERS, Jan. 1.—Exactly 1,003 wells are now drilling in the Ranger field. Besides, there are 796 rigs and locations. This list includes all of the uncompleted wells in Eastland, Stephens, Erath and Comanche counties, and embraces the principal centers in this territory. There are 1,025 wells that are spouting oil.

The largest number of producing wells are located in Eastland county, as well as the largest number of rigs and locations. The county now has 747 producing wells with a total daily production of 75,000 barrels. There also are 421 drilling wells and 381 wells and locations. Stephens county comes a good second with a daily production of 35,000 barrels and 264 producing wells. The county also has 467 drilling wells and 293 rigs and locations.

Erath county, which embraces a large part of the Desdemona field, has fourteen wells producing oil and a total daily production of 2,500 barrels. Seventy-three drilling wells and twenty-six rigs and locations are scattered throughout this part of the Desdemona field. Comanche county, which embraces the southern part of the Desdemona field, is dotted with thirty-two drilling wells and six rigs and locations.

# Party at Al's Brightens Up New Year's Eve

Clinging to the old notion that the proper way to spend the last hours of the old year and the first of the new is in congenial company, sixty or so Ranger men and some of their visiting friends gathered at the McCleskey cafe last night and speeded the old year out. The party that was flung will linger in memory some time.

District Judge H. J. as orator of the evening, touched on various topics and was cheered to the echo. He was positively lyrical at times and the worth of his words was not lost on his audience. County Attorney G. G. Hazel, J. E. Ingram, City Manager M. A. Turner, Commissioner A. Davernort, Chief of Police Byron Parrish, Al Hastings, Duff Blaney, Les Hagaman and others spoke briefly. Everyone talked more or less.

It must not be understood that the evening was spent in speeches. No tiresome program of formal talks marred the tranquil joy of those present. There was food also.

Irish, in the "Alcoholic Blues," must be mentioned. This song scored the biggest hit of the evening. He was in perfect harmony with his role. And there was dancing. Fritz, the plump custodian of the refreshments, entertained at an early hour with his interpretation of Little Egypt. Fritz was dressed in the conventional drapery of the aesthetic dancer, brightened here and there with a few table spoons and pieces of kitchen cutlery, which jingled pleasingly as he undulated.

Somewhat later the Zulu King also danced.

The party dispersed at an early hour with no casualties.

**E. MILFORD ATTENDS FUNERAL OF FATHER-IN-LAW**

Arley, for thirty years a resident of Strawn, Texas, died at his home in this city early this morning at the age of 65 years. He was the father of John E. Milford of Milford and family left for Strawn, to attend the funeral.

He was survived by a wife and a number of years.

# Paving Material

"The new year ain't a-goin' to catch me in no such a jam As last year did," said Penny Hanks. "I'm firm resolved, I am. Last year I swore off smokin' seven dozen times or more. And burned my pipe and scattered twist and Big Bale round galore. And bragged before my wife and children how I'd changed my ways— And then went back to smokin' and endured their scornful gaze.

"Last New Year's day I made a resolution not to cuss. When things went wrong, or blame my wife, or arguify or fuss. I told my wife about it and the trouble soon began; For three weeks after that I was the most run-over man. I made another bungle when I told her that I'd chase The peddlers and insurance agents all plumb off the place. She didn't think I'd have no trouble, just go out and speak; The first one that I tried to run chased me across the creek.

"Nigh half the trouble that I had last year was brought about By New Year's vows, and none of 'em lived half the season out."

# Steel to Be Laid Soon on Spur to Boiler Works

Grade work for a railroad spur from the alley track recently built by the T. & P. railroad to the Ranger boiler works has been completed and steel will be laid as soon as a shipment arrives.

The south half of the alley track has not been finished, owing to a shortage of ballast. The completion of the track will furnish a score of wholesale houses and shops with railroad facilities and will greatly increase the trackage facilities of the city.

The track runs up the alley a half block east of the railroad, from the Prairie crossing, a distance of three-quarters of a mile north.

# AEILENE COMMISSION OUTLINES 1920 PROGRAM

Special to The Times.

AEILENE, Dec. 29.—A program for 1920 was outlined here at the last meeting of the city commission in the present year.

The program includes extension of aid to the school board in extending, improving and rebuilding the city school buildings, the construction of a more adequate municipally-owned sewer system, and a widespread improvement of the streets through paving and grading.

The present school buildings have proved wholly inadequate to care for the large number of pupils, making it necessary not only to extend pres-

# Sinclair Gulf Co. Welcomes New Year

Fifty couples, members of the Sinclair family and their friends, danced away the old year and welcomed 1920 in the dormitory of the Sinclair camp last night. The lobby of the handsome new building was gay with holiday decorations. Mr. and Mrs. Mel Shugert were host and hostess, assisted by every member of the Sinclair family.

The dance closed shortly after the arrival of the New Year.

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# Spear Oil Company Host to Big Party Visiting Oil Field

Officers, representatives and interested operators associated with the Spear Oil company, invaded Ranger the last day of 1919, in a reconnaissance of the company holdings in this field. They were the guests of President Spear at the McCleskey cafe at lunch. These present were:

J. L. Wood, Bristol, Tenn.; E. H. Brummer, Ashville, N. C.; A. H. Hoffman, Kansas City, Mo.; John A. England, Boston, Mass.; George A. McDonald, Kansas City, Mo.; Frank Beckman, Covington, Ky.; L. L. Brown, Chicago, Ill.; B. J. Willenbring, Covington, Ky.; Victor Rothman, Cincinnati, Ohio; L. G. Gillham, Alton, Ill.; Z. M. Hively, South Bend, Ind.

J. D. Hicks, Bristol, Tenn.-Va.; J. F. O'Beirne, Abilene; George M. Thompson, N. Tonawanda, N. Y.; R. M. Zimmerman, Buffalo, N. Y.; W. H. Zimmerman, Luffalo, N. Y.; W. J. Moran, Rochester, N. Y.; W. C. Galaher, Lebanon, Ohio; J. L. Johns, Seattle, Wash.; R. C. Gaines, Pittsburgh, Mass.; Sam W. Harris, Columbus, Ohio; L. E. Jaycox, Fort Worth, Texas; J. E. Todd, Buffalo, N. Y.; C. B. Glick, Los Angeles, Cal.; L. E. Riddle, Kansas City, Mo.; George B. Roberts, Stephenville; Emil Haberer, Stephenville; Paul T. Thompson, Stephenville; P. J. Heffernan, Chicago, Ill.; A. D. Hart, Los Angeles, Cal.; H. H. Enders, Boston, Mass.; Ambrose Pattman, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joseph C. Rothman, Cincinnati, Ohio; R. Redheffer, Kansas City, Mo.; J. A. Spear, Fort Worth; G. A. Done, Salt Lake City, Utah; R. A. Brown, Salt Lake City, Utah; James Wright, Henry G. Stein, Thomas L. Shannon, T. B. McCargo, Jr.

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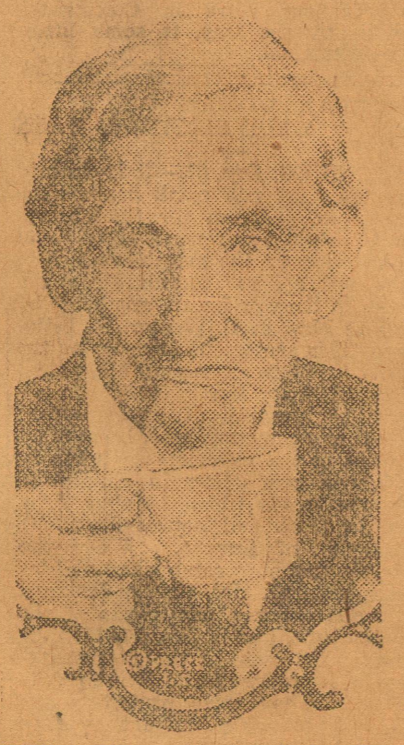
A lot of "Good Old Records" that are as good now as a year or so ago.

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THE HOME OUTFITTER



William Mines, photographed at first meal in his old home.

William Mines left his home at Bushey, England, sixty-five years ago at the age of twelve years, coming to the U. S. He settled in Colorado and has lived there ever since. He fought in the Civil war. Recently he returned to England for a short visit at his old home. He intends to return soon to Colorado.

# Special Dinner at McCleskey Cafe

Al Hastings, proprietor of the McCleskey cafe, has prepared another special dinner for his patrons for New Year's day, and is making reservations for the evening. The menu includes everything that should go with a holiday feast. Music will be furnished by David Behrend's jazz trio.

# EVEN CUPID UNABLE TO BREAK FUEL RESTRICTIONS

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Even Dan Cupid was unable to break the fuel restrictions here the other day when the local fuel administration refused to grant a bequest made by Mrs. J. A. Pray that a local Christian church be permitted to open for the wedding of her daughter.

# Rev. Harry Virden Comes Here Friday

The Rev. Harry Lee Virden, arch deacon of the Episcopal diocese of Dallas, and a worker for the organization of Episcopalians in oil field cities, will arrive in Ranger tomorrow and will hold services Sunday.

Brownie Nelms, of the Oil Belt Motor company, has returned from a business trip to Dallas. Mr. Nelms made the trip through in a car, and he stated today that the roads between here and Fort Worth and Dallas are in better condition than for some time past.

Captain John Long of this city has returned from a visit to San Antonio.

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B. H. Cogdell to L. C. Purnell, part of the Victor Lanza survey, assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 O. F. Chastain to J. C. Day, part W. B. Lewis sub-division, mineral deed, Eastland county, \$1,500.  
 R. E. Racine to E. Y. Jennings, lots 1 and 2, block 27, assignment, Eastland county, \$8,000.  
 Ed Little to Charley Wagley, 160 acres Peter H. Hopson survey, royalty contract, Erath county, \$75.  
 J. P. Key to W. H. Humberston, part J. F. Davidson survey, mineral rights, Eastland county, \$110.  
 A. J. Ward to C. N. Wagley, S. two-thirds N.W. quarter section 66, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. survey, containing 106 2-3 acres, mineral deed, Eastland county, \$1.  
 A. J. Thompson to F. H. Chandler et al, part D. W. Punderburg survey, mineral deed, Erath county, \$1.  
 J. T. McConnell to C. W. Tidwell, 1 1/4 acres John W. White survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$625.  
 J. T. McConnell to C. W. Tidwell, 7 1/2 acres John W. White survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$3,750.  
 Arthur Simoon et al. to H. Lubin, N.W. quarter section 10, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., containing 160 acres of land, assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 S. P. Rumph to Charley Wagley, survey 772, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 J. M. Rush to C. N. Wagley, 920 acres sections 130 and 131, block 3, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., mineral deed, Eastland and Callahan counties, \$1.  
 W. E. Moore to R. Bregford, lots 115 and 116 out W. B. Lewis sub-division, mineral deed, Eastland county, \$100.  
 W. B. Hays et al. to J. T. McConnell, John W. White survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$625.  
 W. B. Hays to J. T. McConnell, 7 1/2 acres John W. White survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$3,750.  
 L. A. Hightower to J. Lee Costley, S.W. quarter section 9, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., royalty contract, Eastland county, \$800.  
 Sophronia J. Bivins to C. N. Wagley, 2 1/2 acres section 55, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co. survey, mineral deed, Eastland county, \$500.  
 O. F. Chastain et al. to R. L. Steiner, part N. half, S. E. quarter section 14, S. A. & M. G. R. R. Co., assignment, Eastland county.  
 W. P. Woods to W. A. Tunstill, 85 acres section 1, block 1, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 W. A. Tunstill to S. A. Pitzer, 35 acres N. half E. half, W. half section 1, block 1, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Fred C. Pierce et al. to Rosedale Oil company, 5 acres W. A. Beardon tract, assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 A. A. Webster to W. E. Spencer, N.E. quarter section 2, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., mineral deed, Eastland county, \$1.  
 I. H. Bostick to A. J. Ward, S. half S.W. quarter section 23, block 3, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., mineral deed, Eastland county, \$207.50.  
 W. C. Kincaid to A. J. Ward, S.E. quarter S. half S.W. quarter section 24, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co. survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1,000.

L. C. Heydrick to M. E. Martin, 20 acres H. Elm survey, assignment, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to M. H. Perkins et ux., B. B. B. & C. Ry. Co. survey, abstract 43, first tract contains 50 acres and second tract contains 160 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 John M. Hasley to T. G. Bradford, E. half N.W. quarter section 35, block 2, assignment, Eastland county, \$250.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to James Monroe et ux., B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. survey, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to W. N. Morton et ux., B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co. abstract 43, first tract contains 50 acres and second tract contains 160 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to J. L. Turner et ux., B. B. B. & C. R. R. Co., first tract containing 50 acres second tract 160 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to W. W. Turner et ux., B. B. B. & C. Ry. Co. survey abstract 43, first tract contains 50 acres, second tract contains 160 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 Mrs. N. E. Turner to J. W. Turner et ux., B. B. B. & C. Ry. Co. survey, abstract 43, first tract contains 50 acres, second tract contains 160 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1.  
 B. S. Huey to A. J. Ward, N.W. quarter of survey 2, block 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., certificate 36-1536, abstract 1617 and 2042, and containing 195 1/2 acres, royalty contract, Eastland county, \$1,500.

### Nothing Aroused Ranger So Much in Months

Complete Gold Fish Outfit to Be Given Free With Each Purchase of Orgatone Friday and Saturday.  
 Nothing in months in Ranger has created quite so much comment as the announcement that the Ranger Drug Company would give away next Friday and Saturday with each purchase of Orgatone, that famous preparation for colds, gripe and system disorders a complete goldfish outfit, containing two real live goldfish, moss, globe, etc.  
 The people of Ranger are indeed fortunate to be able to secure an offer of this kind, which is put out to more thoroughly introduce this triumph preparation and the ones who want to take advantage of this opportunity should be on hand early Friday and Saturday, as there will be only a limited amount of these goldfish outfits and the outlook is, the demand will be very, very heavy from the expressions the Ranger Drug Company is hearing on all sides from people desiring to take advantage of this free offer.—Advertisement.

### Cuss Words Cost Two Bits Apiece at Headquarters

Police headquarters today undergoes a moral reform, suggested by Chief of Police Parish and endorsed by every member of the department. It covers profanity on the part of members of the police force and visitors to headquarters.  
 Each cuss word will cost 25 cents. Every visitor who profanes the atmosphere of the desk sergeant's room, the chiefs' office, or the court room will pay an assessment of \$1. The funds so raised will be used to clean the police uniforms every week. Unless some of the officers are careful, it will be large enough to buy new uniforms every month. Desk Sergeant Reynolds and Night Sergeant Emory will levy the fines.  
 In addition, half the department will attend church every Sunday, it has been decided.

DENVER, Dec. 31.—Supt. James Hunter, of the City park zoo, announces he has secured the only Albinco coyote in captivity. With his milky white skin and hair and reddish eyes, the coyote resembles very much the moniker that Hunter hung on him—"Snowball."

### Sears Well Is Flowing by Heads

Special to The Times.  
 ABILENE, Jan. 1.—Word received here from Merkel indicates a more optimistic situation at the Sears well, seven miles north of that place. Thoroughly reliable reports state that the well is flowing by heads every day, and on one or two occasions the oil shot up into the derrick from the 2,590-foot sand, coming up between the six and eight-inch casing. The well is now 2,850 feet deep.  
 Between thirty and forty barrels of high-grade oil flowed from this well one day recently, it is said. Last Sunday the well flowed briskly for several minutes at the rate of a barrel a minute. The oil has a specific gravity of 44, said to be very valuable as a lubricant.

### "SMOKY JOE" IS A FAKIR. SAY GEORGIA PHYSICIANS

International News Service.  
 ATLANTA, Ga.—"Smoky Joe" is the best fakir in Georgia.  
 The opinion of two physicians is that he has faked the gallows for the past two years.  
 William Daniels, negro, alias "Smoky Joe," was convicted in 1916 of the murder in Pulaski county of two children, because he was angry

with their mother. He was convicted and the death sentence ordered.  
 In 1917 attorneys filed a petition with the governor claiming that after his conviction he had become insane. Three physicians reported him insane, whereupon he was committed to the asylum, where he remained but a short time before effecting an escape. He went to Macon, where he began preaching on the streets and was captured. Experts there submitted him to another examination, reported him

sane and returned him to Pulaski county, where he was resented. In October the negro was reprieved by Governor Dorsey to December 1, and two more physicians—Dr. George L. Echols and Dr. J. C. Wall, of Eastman—were appointed to make an examination. Their report, just received by the governor, is as follows:  
 "1. He is not insane.  
 "2. He has been malingering the whole time.  
 "3. He is now in condition to pay

the penalty for a crime of which he is accused."  
 While no order has yet been issued, it is a foregone conclusion that the sheriff of Pulaski county will impose the death penalty.  
 Perhaps the gypsy who wished good luck to Police Judge Foster and "all your children," though he is a bachelor, was putting a little fortune telling in the wish.—Omaha World-

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### "OH BABY" DATE IS DECIDED ON

Big Extravaganza Assured—Will Play Here January 14.  
 Contracts have been signed which assure the appearance of the new Marcus show of 1919-20 at the Liberty. The engagement is for Wednesday, January 14. Manager W. B. Palmer decided to meet most of the guarantee demands of the show.  
 This morning Ned Alvord, an advance representative of the attraction, arrived in town. The showman was so impressed with the flood of letters Mr. Palmer has received asking that the show be booked that he decided to make some modifications in the demands for a guarantee. The result was that the biggest of American spectacles will make its debut to Ranger.  
 "You can say for me," declared Mr. Alvord to a Times reporter, "that printer's ink pays. Just look at this case. The announcement was made through your paper that the show might be booked here. Within a few hours Mr. Palmer had received hundreds of letters insisting that the venture would be a profitable one. With our attraction we have curtailed the appropriation for billboard advertising thousands of dollars a year. All of this saving has gone back into newspaper publicity, which we find much more effective."  
 The advance man assured local theatergoers that there is only one Marcus show, that is the original and Number One company. This is headed by Mike Sacks and includes the famous beauty exposition, the Marcus Peaches.  
 Despite the extraordinary expense of railroading the big attraction through this section of the country the same scale of prices under which the big eastern cities are played will be in vogue here.

### HARD-UP PASTOR REFUSES TO GIVE UP STRIKER'S JOB

International News Service.  
 POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—The Rev. Howard J. Kingdon, pastor of the Baptist church in Beacon, who recently took a job in the Carrol hat shop because he could not live on the salary paid by his congregation, continues to work there, notwithstanding the regular workers in the store, who are on strike, have petitioned him to secure employment elsewhere and refrain from "working against those who, like himself, are victims of an inadequate wage."  
 "They are agitators," said the minister. "I shall remain at work until my congregation raises my salary. If they do, then—well, that's another story."

With Accent on "Little"  
 Lady Astor says she wonders what she'll do when she takes her seat in Parliament. For the revelry of the "time" she'll tell us—

## Season's Greetings

—to—

## Our Friends and Patrons

We wish to express our appreciation and gratitude to those whose friendship and good will have made possible for us our success during the year of 1919.

At this time we cordially extend to you our sincere wish that health, happiness and prosperity may attend you throughout the coming year, and may we often be given an opportunity of serving you.

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**Export Finance Corporation Is Plan at Dallas**

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—Steps are under way in the eleventh federal reserve district to form an export finance corporation, whose object will be to stabilize foreign exchange rates and bring about normal movement of the American cotton crop. Sixty men from various parts of the district and representing every class related to cotton production at a conference here took first action by appointing a committee to work out details. This committee, headed by Lynn P. Tailey, deputy governor of the Dallas Federal Reserve bank, and T. J. Caldwell, vice president of the Fort Worth National bank, is now at work.

Stabilization of the foreign exchange situation is imperative to protect the cotton crop, it was stated at the meeting. The British pound sterling is far below its pre-war value, the French franc is worth about half what it was before the war, while all other European mediums of exchange are in a similar state, it was said. Europe must make its purchases abroad in terms of the American dollar, which alone maintains its exchange value. The situation was declared ruinous to European importers, who have ceased buying American products excepting bare necessities. This, it was declared, threatened to paralyze the American cotton trade.

The plan, details of which are being worked out, is to organize an export finance co-operation under the Edge bill, which authorizes the buying and selling of foreign securities and the acceptance of such securities as collateral in connection with credits which may be opened in export transactions. The parent body would be augmented under the plan by formation of auxiliaries in the various states and under state laws. These auxiliaries or acceptance corporations, it was explained, could finance exporters of cotton by accepting time bills with shipping documents or warehouse receipts as collateral. This would enable banks to obtain wider distribution of their advances on cotton and at the same time put the advances in liquid shape, it was said.

The acceptance corporations would give exporters a dependable channel for financing over an adequate period and at the same time avoid overloading the market with foreign bills in such a manner as to depress foreign exchange rates, according to Mr. Tailey.

The conference also went on record as favoring creation of a holding company, whereby England, France, Italy, Germany and other countries may deposit securities and mobilize credits for the purpose of purchasing on long term account cotton, grain packers' products and other commodities. This holding company, it was urged, should be organized so that it

could guarantee "acceptance against exports." In explaining this plan M. H. Wolfe of Dallas said it would meet the question of stabilizing foreign exchange. "We know that England, France, Italy and other countries have a large amount of securities that are sound," he said; "no individual can accept them, but a holding company would be in a position to accept such securities. This would enable foreign countries to buy our products on a longer time."

Indorsement of the proposed export financing corporation and subsidiary acceptance corporations was given by J. S. Wannamaker of St. Matthews South Carolina, president of the American Cotton association, and by J. A. Thompson of Corsicana, Texas, vice president of that body.

**MANY CHINESE ARE EXPECTED IN FRANCE**

PARIS.—Chinese students of both sexes are expected to come to France at the rate of 5,000 to 6,000 a year during the next two years. This influx is ascribed to the fact that the Chinese are no longer attracted by German universities or Japanese colleges, owing to the war and the Chinese national feeling over the Shantung affair. Another reason for their choice of France is that the United States imposes restrictions upon Japanese immigrants.

This exports France an unique opportunity to shape the careers of those to be the nucleus of industrial and intellectual China of tomorrow. French transportation companies are offering the Chinese cheap rates of transportation to bring them to France.

About 1,000 young Chinese are already in France studying the modern scientific methods of industry, finance, commerce and agriculture. American sympathizers, including Madame Hugues Le Roux, Mrs. Herman Duryea and Mrs. William Astor Chanler, have provided a tent as an organization center for the new arrivals.

These Chinese have vowed to live cleanly and frugally and to abstain from gambling and opium smoking.

Two 18-year-old girls are pioneers of their sex among the students. They arrived yesterday clad in tailor-made gowns. Scores more Chinese girls are expected to follow.

**VERGES MILITARY STEPS BY AUSTRALIA**

SYDNEY, Australia.—Sir Joseph Cook, minister for the navy, is urging military preparedness upon Australians. At the annual meeting of the Navy league, he said:

"Spend your last dollar on preparing for a fight to the last. We have signed the peace, but Europe is still full of mutual hatreds, even among the allies. Until there is a general movement for disarmament, as I hope there soon will be, we must trust to

the League of Nations—and keep our powder dry.

"We cannot afford to let the rifle rust yet awhile, though we have a League of Nations which we hope will insure us," he told the National Rifle association. "Our rifles must be kept well oiled, and you must be able to shoot them as in times gone by if this country is to be safe. We may yet need our rifles here in Australia."

To the Women's Reform league, Sir Joseph said: "Our hope must be centered in the League of Nations. It is the one great hope of the world, but if we cannot make it effective in the near future we had better get ready for the next war, which will otherwise come as surely as the sun rises."

**PROGRESS, NOT HESITATION, WANTED**

Every effort at keeping the railway systems of the country within the control of the federal government constitutes a quick treatment of a trouble that palliatives will but make more serious. The owners and the executives of the constituent companies, whose experienced views are worthy of the utmost consideration, are nearly unanimous in their advice for the earliest return to private management possible.

Aside from them nothing is found save the weary waste of doctrines and lunar plans of the theoreticians, some of whom, as socialists and communists, are intent upon the confiscation of the properties as a test of their experiments in class government.

Descending to basic facts, the government no longer has the right to keep this privately owned property away from its proprietors. To say otherwise is to challenge the constitution of the United States. It was taken as a measure of war administration. The war is over, despite the technicalities of the hair-dividing judges and diplomats. Other seized property has been returned and satisfaction made for its use.

There is absolutely no reason why there should be discrimination in the case of the railroads. The longer the lines are retained the greater the deterioration there will be produced in the service and the more difficult it will be to return them to their normal uses.

John Sherman, the noted financier and statesman, solved the currency difficulties of forty years ago refraining from interminable discussion and resuming the payment of specie from the treasury. His example should be a guide and lesson to those who sit in the halls which he once adorned.

Fifty to the Good.

"Was your vacation trip a success?"

"I suppose so, although it gave me no pleasure."

"Then why do you say it was a success?"

"It cost me only \$50 more than I thought it would." — Birmingham Age-Herald.

**IT'S TOO HOT FOR COATS, BUT STERN LAW IS COLD TO PERSONS WITHOUT THEM**

San Francisco Chronicle: J. Campbell Rennie, a cattle baron of Australia and South America, arrived at the palace from the lands of little taxes, which are Paraguay and the Argentine, and also from many places where the etiquette of wearing a coat is so strict, no matter how warm the weather may be, that a policeman arrests a person without a coat.

These places, Rennie says, are the cities of Brazil, the Argentine and Paraguay.

Rennie not long ago saw four Americans arrested in the city of Pernambuco, Brazil, because on a hot day they were walking along the main business street with their coats on their arms. They complained to the American consul-general because they were arrested and fined for such an offense, but they got cold comfort from him, because he told them that

they, like any other person in Brazil, would have to obey the regulation of wearing coats in public, no matter who they were.

Privilege to Toilers. Only a laboring man is permitted to appear in public without his coat. Rennie himself was once ordered off the street car because on an insufferably hot day he was in his coat sleeves.

A visitor owns a 200,000-acre cattle ranch in Paraguay. His taxes on this property this year amounted to only \$250.

Lure to Buyers. Rennie says that in the Argentine and Paraguay they do not tax capital in order to get many foreigners to come there and buy land or start a business. Most of their taxes are derived on export and import business. He says, for instance, it costs him \$2 a head to export cattle.

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The greatest sale ever installed in the state of Texas will open at the WINNER STORE in Ranger, Texas, on Friday, January 2. The clean-sweep sale will continue for 15 days only. We want everybody to make a visit to our big store while the Clearing Sale is on and see for yourselves what a wonderful stock of goods you have to make your winter purchases from. Our warehouses, storerooms, shelves are crowded with goods. They are all going in this tremendous Clean Sweep Sale. Everything will be marked in plain figures, so the youngest and most inexperienced buyers can get the same value for their dollar that the experienced buyer gets. We invite you to figure for yourself the great buying advantages this Clean Sweep Sale means for you. Never in the history of our mercantile business have we bought goods in such large quantities. We could not today go on the market and buy goods at such astounding low prices that you will find on our counters during this sale. You will meet with courteous treatment in every department by experienced gentlemen and lady salespeople. You will find them ever anxious to serve you. We feel sure that in putting this Clean Sweep Clearing Sale on just at the beginning of the New Year that we are going to have a tremendous rush of business, so come early and make your selections before our big stock is broken.

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Ladies' 25c Hose <b>17c</b>	Men's Army Leather Vests, Blanket Lined <b>\$6.95</b>	White or Colored Oil Cloth <b>48c</b>	Ladies' Boudoir House Slippers All Colors <b>\$1.85</b>	Standard C Canvas <b>6 1-2c</b>	72x90 Sheets <b>\$1.25</b>
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**THE WINNER STORE**

110 RUSK STREET

FIRST DOOR NORTH FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK

# MORE LIBERAL POLICY TOWARD ALASKA URGED

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, — Declaring that "for lack of intelligent government assistance the truly great resources of Alaska must perforce lie in idleness," Governor Thomas Riggs, Jr., in his annual report, voiced a plea for the adoption by the government of a more liberal Alaskan policy. The report said lawlessness, "particularly that fomented by pro-Germans, I. W. W. and bolshevik elements," was becoming a menace.

"Appropriations are placed at such a low figure as to preclude effectiveness; rich mining regions are made unavailable for lack of transportation facilities; fisheries are threatened with exhaustion for lack of protection; natives, in time of epidemics, are allowed to die of disease and starvation and, as a result of laws and regulations, at every turn appears the huge Teutonic sign, 'Verboten,'" the governor said.

"The people of Alaska," he added, "hold out their hands to Washington, not as supplicants for bounty, but in petition to be allowed to develop as were the western territories, now the great western states."

Referring to the menace of increasing radicalism in Alaska the report said:

"Indications point to a continued immigration as the result of army demobilization and the closing of wartime industries. Alaska is receiving the extremes of the social scales. On the one hand the fine young men of the type who developed the great western states, are becoming evident in increasing numbers and, on the other hand, the I. W. W., alien enemy and bolshevik, knowing the unprotected condition of the territory, are arriving in force and making their presence known. The great numbers of foreigners in Alaska who can hardly speak the English language fall easy victims to the insidious propaganda of the seditious agitator. It does not seem right that the decent, honest law-abiding majority should not receive full protection at all times."

The governor's report deplored the action of congress in failing to appropriate money for the relief of the native population during the recent severe outbreak of influenza in the far north. There were more than 1,500 deaths, chiefly among the natives, Governor Riggs reported, and conditions in the interior of the country were beyond description. The entire adult population of many villages was wiped out, the report stated, and hundreds of children starved or succumbed to cold.

"Despite this serious situation," said Governor Riggs, "a bill introduced in the senate appropriating \$100,000 for Alaskan relief passed that body, but failed in the house. Although at the same time congress was considering appropriations of \$100,000,000 for the relief of the destitute in Europe and \$1,000,000 to fight influenza in the United States. Great credit was given the American navy and the Red Cross for voluntary assistance during the epidemic. The report incorporated the following recommendations:

- Reimbursement of the territory for money spent for the relief of natives
- Consolidation of all governmental authority possible in the department of the interior.
- Removal of restrictions on export of birch timber from public lands.
- Establishment of a uniform constabulary.
- Assignment of naval or coast guard ships to continuous duty in Alaskan waters.

## BETTER THAN WHISKEY FOR COLDS AND FLU

New Elixir, Called Aspironal, Medicated With Latest Scientific Remedies, Used and Endorsed by European and American Army Surgeons to Cut Short a Cold and Prevent Complications.

Every Druggist in U. S. Instructed to Refund Price While You Wait at Counter If Relief Does Not Come Within Two Minutes.

Delightful Taste, Immediate Relief, Quick Warm-Up.

The sensation of the year in the drug trade is Aspironal, the two-minute cold and cough reliever, authoritatively guaranteed by the laboratories; tested, approved and most enthusiastically endorsed by the highest authorities, and proclaimed by the common people as ten times as quick and effective as whiskey, rock and rye, or any other cold and cough remedy they have ever tried.

All drug stores are now supplied with the wonderful new elixir, so all you have to do to get rid of that cold is to step into the nearest drug store, hand the clerk half a dollar for a bottle of Aspironal and tell him to serve you two teaspoons with four teaspoonfuls of water in a glass. With your watch in your hand, take the drink at one swallow and call for your money back in two minutes if you cannot feel your cold fading away like a dream within the time limit. Don't be bashful, for all druggists invite you and expect you to try it. Everybody's doing it.

When your cold or cough is relieved, take the remainder of the bottle home to your wife and babies, for Aspironal is by far the safest and most effective, the easiest to take and the most agreeable cold and cough remedy for infants and children.—Advertisement.

Transfer of jurisdiction over fisheries to the territory.  
 Assistance to farmers by loan of money and cattle.  
 Restoration of national forests to the public domain.  
 Appropriation for Mt. McKinley National park.  
 Increased telegraph service.  
 Increased appropriation for work among natives.  
 Increased appropriations for the protection of game and the suppression of the liquor traffic.  
 Increased appropriation for the establishment of aids to navigation.  
 Increased appropriations for coast surveys.  
 Renewal of mail contract system for the delivery of mail.

### REGARDING YOUR INCOME TAX.

To All Income Tax Payers: My organization is at your service to assist you in making your income tax returns. If your records are in bad shape we can get them in correct form so that your earnings may be correctly determined. Call at my office and let's talk matters over.  
KARL E. JONES,  
Public Accountant, 56-57 Terrell Bldg.

### GIANT COAL STORAGE BASIN.

International News Service. PITTSBURGH, Dec. 31.—The United States Steel Corporation has begun construction at Clairton of the largest coal storage basin in the world. It will hold coal sufficient to keep the plant there in operation for six months and the coal will be used only in an emergency. The basin will hold 400,000 tons of coal. It is 600 feet wide and 800 feet long and will be of concrete. It will have two traveling cranes with a capacity of 3,000 tons daily.

WISHING YOU  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

# T.R. Valliant

Office Stationery.  
North Rusk Street. Ranger, Texas.

EDITOR QUILTS PAPER TO GATHER ACORNS, \$1.50 SACK.  
 COTTONWOOD, Cal. — With print paper gone sky-high in price, is it profitable for a publisher to issue?  
 Burney J. McNamar, editor and owner of the Cottonwood Enterprise, answers this best in his actions. He has left his editorial chair to gather acorns in the forest. Acorns are now selling at \$1.50 per sack. They are used for fuel.  
 Editor McNamar has gathered in ninety-eight sacks this month. In his absence his wife edits and gets out the paper.

### NEW FUEL BEATS "GAS" AIR MAIL SERVICE FINDS

International News Service. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A fuel more economical than gasoline and less hard on the motor has been tested successfully in the Air Mail Service, according to an announcement made by Otto Praeger, Second Assistant Postmaster-General, in charge of the air mail.  
 The tests, which were made on the Washington-New York route between August 4 and September 19, indicate a saving of 3.3 gallons of fuel. The new synthetic fuel is known commercially as "alcoas" and is composed of "thirty-eight parts alcohol, nineteen parts of benzol, four parts toluol, thirty parts gasoline and seven and one-half parts of ether. The remaining one and one-half parts is not explained."  
 "Did you see Hooker come in from fishing?" "Yes, I was on the pier." "Was there any fish lying about?" "No, he was lying about fish."—Boston Transcript.

CATHOLICS LAUNCH BIG EVANGELIZATION PLAN.  
 International News Service. OMAHA, Neb. — The first serious attempt of the Catholic church in English-speaking countries to convert to Christianity the hundreds of millions of persons in China is under way, and Omaha has been made the American headquarters of the organization through which the work is to be done.  
 It is the most tremendous task ever undertaken by the English-speaking Catholics. A Far East society has been organized and the work of evangelizing the Chinese has been placed in the hands of the organization. Headquarters for America are in Omaha; for Ireland and England, in Galway; for Australia, in Melbourne.

"Wild Western" Atmosphere. "Do you think the movies are demoralizing?" "I wouldn't care to say so," replied Mr. Dubwaite, thoughtfully, "but I hold a certain movie star responsible for a great deal of fancy gunplay that goes on in my back yard with toy pistols."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

WATCH for our page advertisement that will appear in this paper within the next few days.  
**H. W. Young & Co.**  
 Cor. Walnut and Rusk.

"EVENTUALLY YOU MUST" Why Not Today?  
**Pay Your Taxes**  
 Second Floor Marston Building Main and Marston Streets  
 "Help Ranger"—"Help Your School"  
**Pay Your Taxes**  
 Second Floor Marston Building Main and Marston Streets  
 FOR HARDWARE GO TO DAVENPORT HDW. CO., NEWNHAM BLDG., CHERRY & AUSTIN STS.

Your HOME is what YOU make it.  
 If YOU want to make it IDEAL  
 MAKE IT in the

# V. V. COOPER TRACT

BECAUSE your surroundings are ideal and you have every convenience.  
 FURTHERMORE, the owner of the property has his home right on the tract and will take a personal interest in your welfare.  
 MOREOVER, it is his ambition to give those who buy property on his subdivision every possible opportunity to make their homes IDEAL. And he is fulfilling his ambition.

It is a Pleasure to Show You the Property.  
 Our Cars Are at Your Service. See

BIGBEE & BRASHIER, 2 Doors North F. & M. Bank

V. V. COOPER, Office on Addition

We wish you success for the coming year and thank you for your past kind favors.

We trust that 1920 will be a brilliant year for Ranger and its population.

# Green-Hook Grocery Co.

SOUTH RUSK STREET  
FIRST DOOR SOUTH OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK

# RESOLVED

As we stand upon the threshold of a New Year, to strive earnestly and in every way that lies within our power for bigger, better work and service, and with new enthusiasm and unbounded faith in the future to do our full share in making this year of 1920 the biggest and best in our history.

In a spirit of co-operation we invite your continued support and confidence and wish for you and those near and dear to you a year of Happiness and Prosperity.

# First National Bank

TIMES WANT ADS WILL BRING RESULTS



# Happy New Year

Nineteen-Twenty. What its mystic book of three hundred and sixty-six pages holds for us none can foretell. But it's a promising volume. Its cover is a bright, radiant one, its golden edge pages give every promise of peace, joy and prosperity and today as we turn the cover to its title page we find it transcribed with hope, with faith and with every aspect of glorious opportunity. Those dark, grim, blood-blotted volumes of war times we have put away in the archives of the past, treasured only in the recollection of the triumphs which they developed for us and humanity—imperishable records of heroism and patriotism which they

revealed in our men and women and consecrated to the memory of our martyrs. The book of nineteen-nineteen which we have just closed started us bravely along the Road of Tranquility and yet held us deeply absorbed in the problems of Reconstruction. And now comes this newer, brighter volume in The Library of Time by the Author of All Things. What it will develop is already written in the Chapters of Fate, with each day's rising sun melting the seal of another page. We may not read hurriedly, nor ahead. We can but hope and wish to all A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

As we look back over the year which has just ended the thing which we value above all others is the friendship and hearty good will of our customers. We extend our heart-felt greetings to all our friends and express the hope that the new year will live up to its promise of happiness and prosperity.

**NORVILL WILDER HARDWARE COMPANY**

To one and all we extend the heartiest wishes for a most happy and prosperous

**NEW YEAR**

May all your dreams come true.

**RUSSELL & CO.**

Wholesale and Retail  
**GROCERS**  
RANGER, TEXAS.

**THE RANGER TIN SHOP**

WISHES YOU A

**Happy and Prosperous New Year**

We are well equipped to do your sheet metal work with our complete stock of flat sheets and expert workmen. Expert Radiator repairing done.

**RANGER TIN SHOP**

211 S. PINE STREET

**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

—to—

ALL OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

**BELL TIN SHOP**

Phone 104; Opposite Burton-Lingo Lbr. Co.

**We Extend**

To our friends and customers the best wishes for a

**Prosperous New Year**

**PEOPLE'S FEED STORE**

NORTH OAK ST.

Dealers in Hay, Feed and Grain

**SATISFIED TAILORING CO.**

Expert tailor work at reasonable prices. All work Guaranteed. Also cleaning and pressing done.

GIVE US A TRIAL

**MR. JOE FIEBRICH**

PROP.  
317 Pine Street

**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

FROM

**The Metropolitan Cafe**

A GOOD PLACE TO EAT

Clean and efficient service. Good food at popular prices.

Pine Street, Near Rusk

**J. B. LOONEY WATCH COMPANY**

109 AUSTIN ST.

Fine Watches and Jewelry. Expert repairing done.

**OPTICIAN**

Eyes tested and Glasses Properly Fitted.

Expert welding and mechanical work. All work guaranteed.

**RANGER WELDING CO.**

ELM AND RUSK STS.

**Oldest Shop in Ranger**

Open Day and Night

Quick Service—Come once and You'll Come Again

**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**PIERCE OIL CORPORATION**

SALES DEPARTMENT

South Rusk Street

Ranger, Texas

**HEID BROTHERS**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

**Hay, Grain, Feed and Flour**

Corner Oak and Lamar Sts. Ranger.

Start the New Year right—select a good place to trade.

**'Summer Quality Market'**  
Wishes you a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Where have you found a cleaner store? The Postoffice is four doors north of us.

**Summer's Quality Market**

107 N. Marston St.

**ROBINSON MEAT CO.**

Wholesale and Retail

**Fresh Cured Meats**

207 Pine

Ranger, Texas

**A Very Happy and Prosperous New Year**

To all our Friends and Patrons

Men's Furnishings, Jewelry and Musical Instruments.

**The Fair Store**

223 Pine Street



# Happy New Year

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MAY THIS GREETING OF JOY BRING YOU LUCK AND GOOD CHEER, SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS ALL THROUGH THE NEW YEAR.

**H. W. YOUNG & COMPANY**  
CORNER RUSK AND WALNUT

Greetings for the  
**NEW YEAR**

**H. T. GROVES CLOTHING CO.**  
Next Door to the Postoffice

Ring Out The Old  
Ring In The New

**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
IS OUR WISH TO YOU.  
**MOORE & FREEMAN**  
Real Estate and Insurance  
Over RANGER DRUG CO.

MAY YOU SHARE LIBERALLY IN THE

**New Year's Prosperity**  
**RANGER MEAT MARKET**  
115 North Austin

WISHING YOU A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS  
**NEW YEAR**

We take this means of thanking you for your past favors  
**NEW YORK STORE**  
M. Hancock—P. Glasser, Props.  
Complete line of Millinery Complete line of Ladies' Millinery and Ready-to-Wear

Wishing You A

**Happy and Prosperous**  
**NEW YEAR**  
**HILL PRINTING & STATIONERY CO.**  
123 N. Rusk

**HEARTY 1920 GREETINGS**

**J. H. MEAD**  
Paint Shop 220 N. Austin

MAY EVERY DAY OF THE  
**NEW YEAR**

Be crowded with happiness is our wish.  
**GOODFELLOW'S CAFE**  
308 Walnut

**NICK'S CAFE**

315 WALNUT ST.  
Extends to its friends the greetings of the season and wishes them all  
**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

At this season we wish to extend to all our friends our best wishes for

**A Happy and Prosperous New Year**  
And thank you for your past partonage.  
**BIGBEE & BRASHIER**  
112 1-2 N. RUSK

**A Happy New Year**

TO YOU ALL

**HOME LAUNDRY**

We wash everything but the Baby

**A Happy New Year**

WE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY AT THIS TIME TO THANK OUR MANY CUSTOMERS FOR THE LOYAL SUPPORT GIVEN US DURING THE YEAR 1919 AND TRUST THAT WE MAY BE BOUND CLOSER BY THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR.

**CITY FISH MARKET**

311-313 Walnut St.; 1-2 Blk. East P. O.

HEARTILY WE WISH YOU ALL

JOY THROUGH THE

**New Year**

**ALBIN'S STORE FOR MEN**

I WISH ALL MY POLICY HOLDERS

**A Prosperous New Year**

**PARKER A. GOODALL**

ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE

Office Room No. 1, Terrell Building  
Over Leader Store.

Box 102. Ranger, Texas

### England Is Under Restrictions Yet

LONDON.—The end of one year of peace finds the United Kingdom still working under many of the wartime restrictions affecting ordinary living conditions, although large numbers of the orders have been rescinded and others have been modified.

So far as food is concerned, only sugar and butter are now rationed. The regulations regarding the amount of meat which might be purchased were removed only a few days ago, about one year after the close of the war. The consumption of liquor, however, is being held down rigidly under the old rules. Necessities still rationed, which vitally concern the home, include coal, gas and electricity. The shortage of fuel has been causing considerable hardship both to the individual and to industry.

The Ministry of Food has found it advisable to continue the maximum prices, both wholesale and retail, which it fixed for a considerable number of necessities.

Apart from the matter of food and fuel, the Board of Trade is maintaining control of the exportation and importation of a long list of articles. The ban has been removed from some goods but this has been mainly in the case of things imported from the country found itself short of.

Removal of restrictions on most of the food necessities has not solved the living problem of the masses, however. There is still a great shortage of many things, and moreover, prices, which went down last summer, have now mounted to about where they were at the signing of the armistice.

The increase is attributed partly to the world scarcity of necessities, partly to the augmented demand from the recently belligerent countries, and partly to inflated currency and adverse foreign exchanges. The last named have had a pronounced influence on prices and it is the belief of economic experts that food cannot become much cheaper until these are adjusted, even though there is an increase in production.

The butter ration is placed at one and one-half ounces for each person per week. This refers to the imported product only, there being no restriction on the use of home-made butter. As a matter of fact, virtually no butter is being made in the United Kingdom these days, so that the consumer has to depend upon margarine and foreign butter.

### CANT UNDERSTAND ST. THOMAS NATIVES

By Associated Press  
ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands, Dec. 31.—United States marines garrisoning these new possessions of Uncle Sam cannot understand the fashions affected by the natives. Why a negro or Cha-Cha Indian should wear an overcoat when the thermometer stands at 100 in the shade mystifies them.

For some strange reason the native Virgin islander believes in wearing every article of clothing he can lay hands on. All American holidays are

### NEWEST IDEAS FOR WINTER SPORT TOGS



The winter wardrobe must surely have an outfit like this if it would boast of the newest things in sports clothes. The suede cloth coat with a charcoal lining and opossum collar is one of the first essentials. Then comes the plaid woolen skirt which is pleated, the checked or striped woolen hose, the brown calf oxfords, woolen-lined gloves, and a fur hat or toque. A veil is added to protect the face from the cutting winds and milady is all ready for a hike, a skating party or a motor ride.

now celebrated by the natives, who spend the day parading about the streets, some of them wearing overcoats, capes, two or more pairs of trousers and a red bandanna handkerchief about the neck. Also they frequently adorn themselves with the horns of cows or oxen attached to the head just in front of the ears.

"Three young women, plucky, strong, ambitious, tired of office work, wish to buy a farm or work on shares at bees, poultry and fruit." The short way to everlasting work on shares is for three plucky young women to marry farmers.—Louisville Courier—Journal.

### West Texas News

BRADY, Texas, Dec. 31.—On a seventeen-acre patch in the Camp San Saba neighborhood G. B. Awalt, well known local citizen, raised \$1,750 worth of peanuts, or approximately \$103 per acre. He had left 150 bushels for planting and sufficient peanut hay for another year. Peanut growing will be increased in that section in 1920, according to information to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

A short time ago a carload of Sudan grass seed was shipped to a Dallas dealer from the Lohm territory. The price was good.

STAMFORD—An active demand for residences in West Texas towns is reported from practically every town in touch with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Many renters have been forced to vacate houses purchased by newcomers, or have bought homes for themselves. Real estate dealers report increasing demand for farm lands for another year.

STAMFORD—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce's hints to commercial secretaries how to illuminate streets and provide "white ways" are bearing fruit, according to reports coming to the headquarters here. Stamford was one of the points at which the city commission authorized extension of street illumination. The entire square will be brightened.

STAMFORD—West Texas is the only section of the nation where any extensive projections of railways are reported, according to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The Hamon-Kell line being built from Newcastle to Stephenville, a distance of about 175 miles; the Cisco and Northeastern, from Cisco to Breckenridge, a distance of forty miles, and the Wichita Falls, Eastland and Gulf from Breckenridge to Gorman, via Eastland, a distance of approximately fifty-five miles, together with a narrow gauge line from Gorman to Desdemona—these are the only lines being built in the state at the present time. The Sasland and the Cisco lines are now contemplating extensions. Another railroad from Jacksboro to Stamford is proposed. It is not unlikely that a railroad from Big Spring will be built to the potash lakes of Terry, Ganes and other western counties.

Future railway construction is dependent upon local market freight rates, according to Porter A. Gandy, general manager of the

West Texas Chamber of Commerce. With increased rates encouragement for extensions will be stimulated. In sparsely settled sections of the west present rates presage receiverships for roads once they are released by the government. No considerable mileage has been laid in the west since the Santa Fe cutoff was constructed between Coleman and Texico.

STAMFORD—The wheat production of Texas in 1919 is estimated at 45,000,000 bushels, valued at \$96,000,000, according to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. It was Texas' greatest wheat year. The bulk was raised in West Texas and the Panhandle.

The sorghum grain crops—milo, feterita and kafir—produced 70,000,000 bushels in 1919, according to estimates made by the same organization. This was practically half of the nation's yield. The value of the crop was between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,000. The sorghum grain were introduced into West Texas from Africa by the United States experimental station at Chillicothe Texas, in the latter part of 1898. It yield they exceed corn, producing well in dry weather and living under adverse conditions.

STAMFORD—West Texas has more than 6,000,000 chickens, value at over \$2,000,000; 150,000 turkeys, valued at \$250,000; 50,000 ducks, valued at \$17,500, and other fowl in proportion, according to estimate made by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

STAMFORD—Salt production in Texas in 1918 was 400,000 barrels, valued at \$300,000. Of the several plants West Texas has one of the largest, located at Colorado. Immense deposits of limestone for building purposes and for manufacture of lime is to be found in West Texas. A lime kiln is located near Sweet

water. Inexhaustible quantities of sulphur have been discovered in the Trans-Pecos country, but remoteness from railways prevents working them at present. Deposits of clay, excellent for brick making and paint, have been discovered in many parts of West Texas, says the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

STAMFORD—The pecan industry in 1919 in West Texas was the largest ever known, according to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Production reached into the millions of pounds and shipments into hundreds of cars, valued at several million dollars. West Texas is the home of the nut. The paper shell variety is now being set out everywhere. A

campaign is now on to plant pecan trees on every farm and on streets of West Texas towns is meeting with encouragement. "Money grows on trees" in West Texas.

San Saba county in 1919 raised more than a million pounds, valued at \$200,000. Trees increase in production with age. Trees set out this year will bear in gradually increasing quantities after the third year. This industry promises to become one of the greatest in West Texas in a few years, offering exceptional opportunity to northern and eastern capital.

Times Want Ads Pay



### New Clothes Made From Old

At least that is the way they look after they have been to the

### HOME LAUNDRY

We wash everything but the baby.

"NUFF SED, PETE."

### WATCH

for our page advertisement that will appear in this paper within the next few days.

H. W. Young & Co.  
Cor. Walnut and Rusk.

ALL THROUGH 1920

We take this occasion to thank you for your loyal support during the past year.

Wishing you one and all

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Power & Light Co.

J. E. LEWIS

WE WISH YOU PROSPERITY AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE TEXAS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Ranger, Texas



### JULIANNA SHOP

302 Main Street,  
wishes to announce the arrival of

A COMPLETE LINE OF

Spring Hats, Blouses and Underwear

### SHOES! SHOES! SHOES!

U. S. Army Russett Marching Shoes at \$4.95 Pair

### BLANKETS

U. S. Army Blankets.  
U. S. Army Raincoats, \$2.50.  
High Rubber Boots.

Tents, All Sizes

Army Cots, Army Socks, Army Leggings.

R. H. Hansford, The Tent Man

430 West Main St.  
Right Hand Side of Street  
Two blocks west McCleskey Hotel, out Main St.

# RANGER BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Listed in alphabetical arrangement are herewith given the names of business firms and professions of Ranger.

Consult this Directory for responsible and progressive citizenship. They want your business and are giving you a standing invitation to look them up—their addresses are for your guidance.

Ranger is in her formative stage—we are making our personal and our business relationships.—The Times recommends the advertisers here mentioned as reliable and worthy of your patronage.

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Public Accountant.  
Audits  
INCOME TAX REPORTS  
56-57 Terrell Bldg.  
Phone 58. Box 786.

**Architects**

BESHGETOORIAN & COBELLI  
ARCHITECTS  
318 Walnut Street.  
RANGER, TEXAS  
FOR QUICK AND EFFICIENT SERVICE, SEE US

NEIL GARDNER  
ARCHITECT  
302 P. & Q. Bldg.  
Ranger, Texas

**Auto Sales and Repairs**

FORD Motor Rebuilding, Cylinder Reborning and Expert Repairing.  
We'll make you want to come back.  
JONES & DEFFEBACH  
2 1/2 Blocks North of Main on Rusk

**Baths**

ROBINSON'S  
Hot and Cold Baths  
Tub or Shower.  
Ladies and Men.  
Half Block North of Postoffice.

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M. E. BRANSCOMBE  
P. O. Box 1485 307 Mesquite St.  
Ranger, Texas

**Dentists**

Drs. Terrell & Harkrider  
DENTISTS  
Suits 53, New Terrell Building

**Doctors**

DR. C. H. DAY  
and  
DR. H. C. BOWDEN  
PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS  
Over Ranger Drug Store, Suite 1  
Phone 120

DR. CARL WILSON  
Physician and Surgeon  
Offices in Cole Building  
Over Cole's Cafeteria  
Austin St., between Pine and Main.  
Office Hours—9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.  
Sundays—12:00 to 4:00 p. m.

Drs. Terrell & Lauderdale  
PRACTICE LIMITED TO SURGERY  
Office and Consultation  
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Ranger, Texas

DR. H. H. PANTON  
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**PRICKED FINGER ON OYSTER SHELL, FRENCH ACTRESS DIES**

International News Service.  
PARIS, Dec. 31.—A slight prick on the end of a little finger which she received while opening an oyster caused the death of Mile Henriette Daly, a Parisian actress who was known to the stage as "Dixie," because she had spent several years in Alabama. "Dixie" was celebrating her return to Paris from Marseilles with a dinner to some friends in her apartment when she injured her finger. She died two days later from lockjaw.

**OPPOSED TO SUNDAY FUNERALS**

International News Service.  
HUTCHINSON, Kans., Dec. 31.—Ministers, undertakers and sextons, who recently started a campaign here against Sunday funerals have been joined by flower shop and greenhouse men.  
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**SMASH MONEY TRUST, URGES LONDON PAPER**

International News Service.  
LONDON, Dec. 31.—England is in the gigantic grip of a money trust which is holding the nation to ransom on money rates, according to the London Daily Express. The Daily Express has been waging a campaign to force the Government. First, to insist that the clearing house, now dominated by private banking interests so that it is virtually a monopoly, be thrown open, so that seats may be held by any bank. Second, to enact legislation making it illegal for the banks to combine to fix the rates of interest and discount, thus preventing what virtually amounts to a restraint of trade by big banks. Third, to end the career of the Bank of England as a private enterprise with certain national privileges, making the bank instead a real national bank. The Daily Express calls upon the public to back up this demand, which it holds is justified not only by onerous banking conditions but by increased charges on every person's cost of living, owing to squeeze methods employed by the alleged bank combination.

of supply and demand so far as Great Britain is concerned. The Treasury and the humblest individual alike can only obtain advances and credit at the hands of the trust, and must pay for them what the trust cares to demand.  
"This is a dangerous and anti-social situation, and no such power can safely be placed in the uncontrolled hands of individuals."  
The Express points out that on October 3 the rate of interest on Treasury bills at three months was 3 1/2 per cent, while today it is 5 1/2 per cent. On October 3 the rate of interest paid on deposits by banks was 3 per cent, while now it is 4. Thus while the banks are receiving 2 per cent more from the Treasury they are only paying their depositors 1 per cent more. Since there are about \$4,200,000,000 of Treasury bills out, all of them negotiable securities which can be turned into cash any day, it means that the added 2 per cent means a gross profit of some \$126,000,000 to the banks which hold practically all the bills. Raising the interest on customers' deposits which were used to take up such bills still leaves the banks a net \$63,000,000. The Daily Express holds that such a division of profits is "absolutely indefensible."

**Many Visitors at Monte Carlo**

International News Service.  
MONTE CARLO.—One of the greatest swarms of visitors in all history has begun descending upon Monte Carlo and other Riviera resorts, including Nice, Cannes and Mentone. The Casino here is crowded with tourists from America, France, England and Italy, and thousands upon thousands of dollars are being played daily on the turn of the roulette wheel.  
The shortage of coal in Paris has tripled the number of Parisians who generally spend the winter months in the balmy air of the Mediterranean. Large numbers of tourists who before the war spent their winters in Egypt are visiting Monte Carlo and Nice this year because of the disturbed conditions in Cairo and elsewhere. The result is that every train arriving from Paris is packed and many wealthy visitors spend the night sitting up because of their inability to obtain sleeping car accommodations.  
The biggest fête of the season thus far was the commemoration of the seventy-first birthday of the Prince of Monaco. The palace guns boomed at 8 o'clock, announcing the beginning of the fête to every resident of the tiny principality. There was a solemn mass in the cathedral two hours later, followed by a state luncheon to the consular corps. A heavy downpour of rain spoiled the program of sports and the evening fireworks display.

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"The process of forming the money trust is now virtually complete," the Daily Express charges, "and a five-headed octopus of five great concerns dominates the money market and can fix money rates independent of the law of supply and demand."  
The Daily Express alleges that the Bank of England is a part of the money trust and that it has increased the bank rate to 6 per cent without ample reason, adding millions of dollars daily to the nation's burden.  
"Remember," warns the Daily Express, "that money has ceased to be a free commodity subject to the laws

**CAMP DEVENS HAS PINK TEAS AND DANCING**

International News Service.  
CAMP DEVENS, Ayer, Mass., Dec. 31.—Pink teas make for the morale of the army, according to army officers here. Officers of the Thirty-sixth Infantry at this camp have instituted teas and dances every Tuesday afternoon. These have done more for the morale of the men than any other means.  
They are held at the officers' club house once a month. Brigadier-General and Mrs. Harry P. McCain have encouraged these simple festivities, which have taken well with the men.

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