

# RANGER DAILY TIMES

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THE WEATHER  
West Texas—Tonight and Wednesday, partly cloudy.

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**A THOUGHT-FOR TODAY**  
If women would pay more attention to cooking good meals than to dressing and using rouge there would be fewer divorce cases.

VOL. VII

## INCOME TAX PAYMENTS SHOW PROSPERITY

## MAN DRAGGED FROM BED AND SHOT TO DEATH BEFORE FAMILY

## WHY HIGHWAY COMMISSION FIRED KEMPER

### CONTRACTS LET TO RESURFACE SEVERAL ROADS

**Moody Is Disregarded Will Use Bituminous For Re-surfacing Road**

AUSTIN, March 16.—The State Highway Commission awarded a contract to Coke and Turner, Marshall, Texas, road contractors to resurface highways in nine counties with bituminous asphalt at the rate of 12 cents per square yard. This contract was held by the American Road company at a 30 cents rate prior to the revocation of the contract brought about through a suit filed by Attorney General Dan Moody last fall.

A second contract formerly held by the American Road Company at the 30 cents rate was let to the H. K. McCollum Company of Fort Worth at a 16 cents rate. This second contract applies to the bituminous resurfacing work in more than a half dozen counties in and around Fort Worth and Waco.

Another contract is scheduled to be let during this afternoon's session.

AUSTIN, March 16.—Not until today was it publicly known what prompted the state highway commission to retire W. L. Kemper as acting state highway engineer and name in his place A. C. Love of Beaumont, who has entered upon the discharge of his duties of office.

The report filed by Kemper on an inspection recently made by him of the 419 miles of highway which were included in the resurfacing contract held by the American Road company, and which was cancelled as a result of the suit brought by the state against the company caused the retirement, it was learned from an authoritative source. Kemper, it was said, made the inspection under the direction of the state highway commission. He reported that he found the highways in such condition that they would not stand a second treatment of bituminous asphalt, and he recommended that a second course of treatment not be made. The highway commission declined to make the Kemper report public.

The suggestion made by Attorney General Moody that the surface treatment of state highways be thrown into the discard will not be followed by the state highway commission.

At the meeting of the commission today, bids were opened for the construction of a nine-foot slab on 10 miles of highway in Kaufman county. Smith Bros. of Dallas bid \$2.58 per square yard and also made an alternate bid of \$2.50 per square yard, provided they are given the contract for the entire 18-foot slab. This firm already holds the contract for the first nine feet of roadway.

### HUMBLE TEST IN NEW POOL GASSER ONLY

The first discordant note in the smooth melody of a new Rising Star field has been sounded.

Apparently, the Humble's well on the J. G. Allen has failed to prove a producer. Though some gas was struck in the formation, no oil has been encountered.

If this well proves dry, it will be the first duster of the field.

The Humble well is 2,000 feet northwest of the first big well of the field—the No. 1 Dunn, drilled by Barney Carter and Cowboy Evans. A dry hole would not necessarily limit the field in that direction, in the opinion of oil men, as it may have been simply a "spot" in the sand.

### Conditions Show Improvement In Mexican Affairs

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Mexican conditions and the relations between that country and the United States, are improving in the opinion of President Coolidge.

The president authorized the statement today that all of the questions that have arisen between the two countries are expected to yield to diplomatic treatment.

### The Cravens in Bermuda



Let Countess Cathcart enjoy New York to her heart's content! The Earl and Countess of Craven, who fled Gotham when the Cathcart row got underway, are happy enough in Bermuda, as this photo of them shows.

### PROGRAM IS COMPLETED FOR MEETING OF WEST TEXAS BODY MARCH 23

Music from at least four and possibly six bands will enliven the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce which meets in Cross Plains March 23. Three cities are expected to get into the fight for the next convention. Visitors will be welcomed by former Adjutant General Mark McGee. Unusual competition in the high school speaking contest on "My Town" is expected, and Col. C. C. French will launch a hog importation campaign in the Oil Belt district. These are the high points of the big convention which is expected to prove a record breaker from the stand point of attendance.

L. C. Eastland of Breckenridge, vice president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will preside at the business sessions. Homer D. Wade will serve as toastmaster of the banquet which is expected to be attended by six hundred persons. Principal speakers at the banquet will be Dr. T. T. Roberts, president of Randolph College of Cisco and Mayor C. E. Coombs of Abilene.

**Program**  
The complete program follows:  
**Morning Session**  
Presiding Officer, L. C. Eastland, Vice President, Breckenridge.  
Music, by assembled bands.

### WANT PROBE OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, March 16.—An investigation of the Textile industry was asked by a delegation of strikers from New Jersey, who appeared before Senators William E. Borah and Robert LaFollette here today. The strikers represented 16,000 persons involved in the walk out of workers at the ten New Jersey textile mills. Textile mill owners are charged with employing brutal tactics to subvert the strikers.

### Declamation Contest To Be Held On Monday

"My Home Town" declamation contest will be one of the most interesting features of the district meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Cross Plains, March 23. Ranger will be represented, of course, and on Monday morning, will be a try-out of different declaimers at the High school and one will be chosen to represent Ranger in this worthwhile contest. R. F. Holloway and C. C. Patterson were today making plans for Ranger's entry into the contest and they also plan to send a declaimer to Amarillo to compete for the valuable prizes to be given there at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce meeting.

### BABY AT SIDE WHEN BAND OF SLAYERS ENTER

**Officers Of 2 Counties Face Problem of Feud 2 Lives Pay Forfeit**

GROVETON, Texas, March 16.—Officers of Houston and Trinity counties were faced today with the responsibility of forestalling possible acts of reprisal growing out of a neighborhood feud which has claimed the lives of two men in the last week.

Frank Johnson, a farmer, was dragged from his bed where he was confined with a slashed throat and shot to death in front of his wife by a band of masked men near here early today.

Forcing their way into the house one of the intruders fired at Johnson as he lay in bed with his infant child by his side. Warned of the baby's presence, the men dragged Johnson from his bed and shot him to death on the floor. Mrs. Johnson was unable to identify the slayers.

Johnson was charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Homer Gibson in a schoolhouse affray at Center Point, near here, Friday night. A brother, Harvey Johnson, is held in jail here in connection with the Gibson killing.

No arrests had been made at noon today, and officers declared they had no tangible clues to the identity of Johnson's slayers.

### He Lives in Marlin And Doesn't Know About Volstead

WACO, March 16.—"Dear sir: Enclosed find money order for \$4. Please send me two quarts of 'Jersey Cream,' one quart of 'Paul Jones,' and one quart of 'Casey Jones,'" read a letter received here last week addressed to Goodman & Ellis Liqueur company.

The writer, from Marlin, Texas, evidently had not heard of the passing of the Volstead act and sent the money order according to prices quoted on an old order blank. The name of the addressee has in the meantime changed its name from Goodman & Ellis Liqueur company to the Ellis Dry Goods company.

### ADMISSION OF GERMANY POSTPONED

GENEVA, Switzerland, March 16.—Germany's admission into the council of League of Nations will be postponed for consideration at a future meeting of the league.

The German delegates believe that the postponement will be until next June. Tremendous excitement was caused by the official announcement that the admission of Germany had been postponed until June or September.

### CONNELLEE'S CONDITION IS IMPROVED

The condition of C. U. Connellee, who was stricken with paralysis three days ago, continues to show improvement.

The Eastland pioneer is much improved, stated Dr. E. R. Townsend, this morning. Mr. Connellee's pulse is good and he can talk well.

### Exiled Opera Star, in Overalls, Sings as He Toils on Liner



VANCOUVER, B. C., March 16.—The voice of Caruso lives and sings again, in the carpenter's shop aboard the big Atlantic liner, Empress of Canada, where Alexander Znamensky, formerly of the Moscow Opera Company, wields a busy hammer and fills the ship with classical melody.

The singer, a man without a country, has learned his song well, in the palaces of Russia's old nobility, in the rice paddies of China, where he worked with coolies, in bleak, poverty-lashed Siberia.

Alexander Znamensky is from one of old Russia's noblest families. Today he is first assistant to the ship's carpenter aboard the Canadian Pacific steamer.

Since boyhood he studied music, looking forward to the day when the honors of Russia's Imperial Ballet and Opera would be his. Then, just as his prize came near, the war snatched it away. He fought as a captain during the early days of the struggle, was wounded and sent back.

Then the revolution cracked the pedestals of the mighty in Russia and Znamensky's chance was gone. For a year only the cold walls of a prison heard his song.

### ALBERT JOSEPH RETURNS TO RANGER WITH BRIDE FROM HIS SYRIAN HOME

After having been away from Ranger for over a year, Albert Joseph of the Boston Store, arrived home yesterday, bringing with him his bride of almost two months. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph were married at the home of Mr. Joseph's mother, in Schweifat, Syria, on January 17. Mrs. Joseph was Miss Souda Shoucart, a charming young woman, who received her education at the American University at Beirut.

It had been reported that Mr. Joseph, who was getting in the bachelor class, was to bring back a bride, but his friends were not sure until he arrived with her yesterday and he is today receiving congratulations of his many friends and patrons.

In speaking of his wedding, Mr. Joseph said they were married about five o'clock in the afternoon and after the ceremony different ones read poetry, and variously entertained them, and that night there was a big dinner, with champagne and everything. A large concourse of friends and relatives attended the wedding.

Since leaving Ranger Mr. Joseph has visited in Madeira, Gibraltar, Monte Carlo (where he admitted he lost), Algiers, Naples, Athens, and was in Damascus before the bombardment by the French, also he was at Houran, one of the places made memorable by the Druse and the French. He did not visit Damascus after the bombardment, as he

### ALL DISTRICTS SHOW INCREASE IN COLLECTIONS

**Big Gains Are Noted In Number Liable To Pay Under New Law**

DALLAS, March 16.—Income tax collectors up to midnight throughout the country, tell a story of increased prosperity in almost every section, reports to the United Press today said.

Despite reductions in tax rate and the extension for individuals, many collectors report greater receipts and a larger number of returns than ever before—indicating greater income and an increased number of persons whose income has come into the taxable class despite higher exemption.

Dallas income tax collectors for the first quarter of 1926 jumped \$658,847 over collections for the same period a year ago. Total collections amounted to \$2,281,808.

In the Chicago district collections were some five or six million dollars higher than last year, attributed largely to increased prosperity among the corporations.

In the New York district collections were estimated to be about the same as last year, despite the increased rates. In the Pittsburgh district a large industrial center, collections were estimated \$1,000,000 more than a year ago.

### MIDDLE WEST PAYMENTS. BREAK ALL RECORDS.

CHICAGO, March 16.—Increased prosperity for the great industrial corporations of the middle west was reflected today when the income tax payments for the first quarter of 1926 exceeded by more than \$6,000,000 the payment for the same period last year.

The figures for this year are expected to be raised still further by payments mailed in last night and are to be tabulated. The greatly increased payments were attributed by Mabel Reineck, collector of internal revenue, to the prosperity of the big corporations in this area. Practically all lines of business reported increased earnings, especially the steel manufacturing concerns. Even the individual payments show a gain despite the cut made in both the individual and corporation taxes.

### OKLAHOMA FALLS IN LINE OF BIG MONEY.

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 16.—A larger number of persons paid their income taxes yesterday instead of proportioning it into quarterly payments, according to A. C. Alexander, collector of internal revenue, here today.

Mr. Alexander said this indicated that the people were in a better fix financially in Oklahoma this year than last. Oklahoma paid \$9,000,000 in income taxes last year.

### DETROIT DISTRICT RECEIVES BENEFITS.

DETROIT, Mich., March 16.—Income taxpayers of the Detroit internal revenue district have benefited by an estimated reduction of \$10,000,000 as a result of the tax reduction law passed by congress and became effective at once, W. L. Tancil announced today.

### 2 NEW WELLS NEAR RANGER BOOSTS GAME

Two completions in the Ranger district, with several new tests getting underway, forebadow still greater activities in this section.

The Humble has a 60-barrel well at 1,700 feet on the Joe Smith farm, 14 miles northeast of Ranger, in Stephens county.

In the Frankel sector, Christy Bros. No. 2 Gardenville looks good for 200 barrels in the usual pay, around 2,100 feet.



# BALL PLAYERS FAIL TO BOOST SALARIES MUCH

By HENRY L. FARRELL, United Press Sports Editor.

NEW YORK.—So few of the ball players were able to get substantial raises on new contracts this winter that some of them believe the club owners had been talking to each other during the off season.

With one or two possible exceptions prosperity prevailed and the major league clubs made money in 1925 and the players naturally figure that when they are helping to make business good they ought to share in the good fortune.

The players always have maintained that baseball had an inner council operated on a gentleman's agreement and that players could be railroaded out of good major league jobs into the minors to suit the fancy of the owners.

The cases of Jimmy Caveney, Cincinnati shortstop, who was sent to the Pacific Coast league, and Louis Fonseca, Philadelphia infielder, who was released to the International league indicated that this condition might exist.

There are a number of the lower ranking major league clubs that

could have used Caveney or Fonseca and it is not likely that their salaries were too high to be assumed by any of the teams.

As far as is known, there was no holdout this winter who got away with it and it is unusual that one or two stars are not able to jack a big raise out of their bosses by refusing to report.

Zach Wheat, star outfielder of the Brooklyn Robins, who has been very successful for 15 years in forcing the club to meet his terms failed this year and was placed in a position where he had to act quickly in signing for the club's terms or take a cut in salary.

Wheat wanted \$16,000 a year and the owners were willing to pay him that price but he wanted a two-year contract and the officials said they had adopted a new policy and that no Brooklyn player in the future would be able to get a contract for more than one year.

Wheat rebelled and threatened to retire but it didn't work and he was told he would have to sign in 24 hours or take a cut of \$2,000 a year. He signed.

Brooklyn officials learned a lesson when they gave Burrell Grimes a two-year contract for \$15,000 a year. He wasn't worth half that price last year and when the club tried to trade him no club could be found that would assume the salary.

Frank Frisch, captain of the New York Giants and one of the most valuable players in the National league, tried to get a salary boost from John McGraw and wasn't able to do it.

Several of the Giant players who resorted to holdout tactics were threatened with a transfer and a cut in salary.

The evidence is so general that it looks possible that the club owners did get together and decide upon a policy of "you take it or leave it."

## OUT OUR WAY



No. 12058.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff of any Constable of Eastland County, Texas:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. G. Moran, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, and in the judicial district to appear at the next regular term of the 91st District Court of Eastland county, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, in Eastland, on the first Monday in April, A. D. 1926, the same being the 5th day of April, A. D. 1926, and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 12th day of January, A. D. 1926, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 12,058, wherein Mrs. Lucy Moran is plaintiff, and J. G. Moran is defendant, and the cause of action being alleged as follows:

Being an action for divorce and the care, custody and custody of the minor children, Loretta Moran, a girl 3 years of age; Ollie Moran, a boy 4 years of age, and Fonten Moran, a boy four months of age. Plaintiff also prays for all costs of suit, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Eastland, Texas, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1926.

WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Sheriff Eastland County, Texas.

By W. H. McDONALD, Deputy.

Feb. 23-Mar. 2-9-16.

## Pimples And Bumps Are Awful Pests

Girls and women of the most even dispositions are quick to resent direct attacks on their character, or bold advances. But it is hardly explainable why these same folks tolerate disfiguring pimples, blotches, bumps, "breaking out," etc., which are even worse pests than that.

These skin diseases quit annoying people quickly after first few applications of the wonderful Black and White Ointment, and the regular use of Black and White Soap. The cost is so small none need hesitate because their "car" affords it.

The 50c size of the Ointment contains three times as much as the liberal 25c size. All dealers have both Black and White Soap, and Ointment. (Adv.)

## WANT DEATH OF REYNOLDS TO BE PROBED

HUNTINGTON PARK, Cal., March 16.—An investigation into the cause of the death of Tia Juana of Carl F. Reynolds, a prominent resident of Huntington Park, was demanded today by local authorities.

Chief of Police Williams in a telephone conversation ordered an immediate probe of Reynolds' death, maintaining that it was the result of a mistake at the hands of the Mexican police following his arrest on a charge of being intoxicated.

## WOMAN HALTS 2 SNATCHERS WITH BULLET

SAN ANTONIO, March 16.—Using her 25-caliber pistol when two youths snatched her purse, Miss Martha Lee halted one of the pair with a bullet through his left leg.

The youth, Milton Spears, 17, is near death in a hospital. A second boy was arrested near the scene a half hour later.

When Miss Lee left a street car and started toward her home late last night she was accosted by two youths who took her purse containing two dollars. She took a pistol she carried in her pocket and fired.

## Fire Takes Toll, 3 Are Dead and 2 Fatally Burned

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 16.—Three members of the D. A. Trichel family living near Castile, Iowa, are dead today, and two others are fatally burned, as the result of a fire which destroyed their farm house.

The father and two daughters are dead. Mrs. Trichel and another daughter cannot live, hospital authorities said.

## Harrelld Wants To Aid States In Control Of Floods

WASHINGTON, March 16.—A bill authorizing the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi, or others to negotiate contracts for flood control measures, was introduced in the senate today by Senator Harrelld, republican, Oklahoma.

## Little Theatre Movement In Texas Growing

DALLAS, March 16.—The advance of the Little Theatre movement in Texas is almost phenomenal. Three years ago there were not a half dozen well organized Little Theatres in the entire state. A recent check disclosed that over 100 cities and towns in Texas have organized Little Theatres and that an unusual amount of activity and interest centers around the community theatre.

The week of April 5 the Dallas Little Theatre will sponsor the first annual Texas Little Theatre tournament, in an effort to further stimulate interest in the movement. The following cities will be represented in the tournament: Houston, Denison, T. C. L. Fort Worth, Abilene, Lubbock, Baylor university, at Waco, Fort Worth, Huntsville, San Antonio, Waco, Sherman, Commerce, Nacogdoches, University of Texas at Austin, and Brownwood.

## Manufacturing In Texas Now On High Level

SAN ANTONIO, March 16.—The last 25 years has seen an increase of over 1,000 per cent in the volume of manufacturing done in Texas, according to George Knebel, executive vice president and general manager of the Texas State Manufacturers' association.

Texas manufacturers are turning out products that are valued at more than a billion dollars annually, he said. "While everyone knows that Texas leads the union in the value of its agricultural production many do not appreciate the rapid strides the state is making in manufacturing."

## Woolworth May Open Store Here, Current Report

It is currently reported that Woolworth is coming into Ranger and that representatives of the company have been in the city looking for a location.

This is very encouraging as Woolworth stores are never located in a town that does not have a very visible future.

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When the representative of the discoverers of St. Joseph's G. F. P. first came here she predicted that thousands of women here would overcome serious troubles such as irregular functioning of their generative organs, attended by pain and extreme discomfort, nervousness, headaches, cramps, irritable disposition, melancholy and depressed feeling, and a state of mind which causes such sufferers to really feel that life is hardly worth living because it seems to them that they have no further hope of getting well again.

To such women, St. Joseph's G. F. P. comes as a ray of sunshine out of a dreary, clouded sky, and the prediction that in a few years after its general use in this country catarrh of the female generative organs, and its accompanying misery and suffering, will be a thing of the past is fast being proved a joyful truth to thousands of women who had long been unhappy and almost ready to give up.

St. Joseph's G. F. P. is already enjoying the biggest sale of any similar product for the length of time it has been introduced generally. More than one hundred thousand bottles have been sold, and at the rate is growing day by day there is no telling how great its success will be here.

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Hart Murder Trial Is Postponed Until Monday, April 19

Because of the absence of defense witnesses, a continuance was granted yesterday in the case of Earl Hart, charged with the slaying of Lige Stuart in Cisco several years ago. The case has been tried twice. It was continued until April 19.

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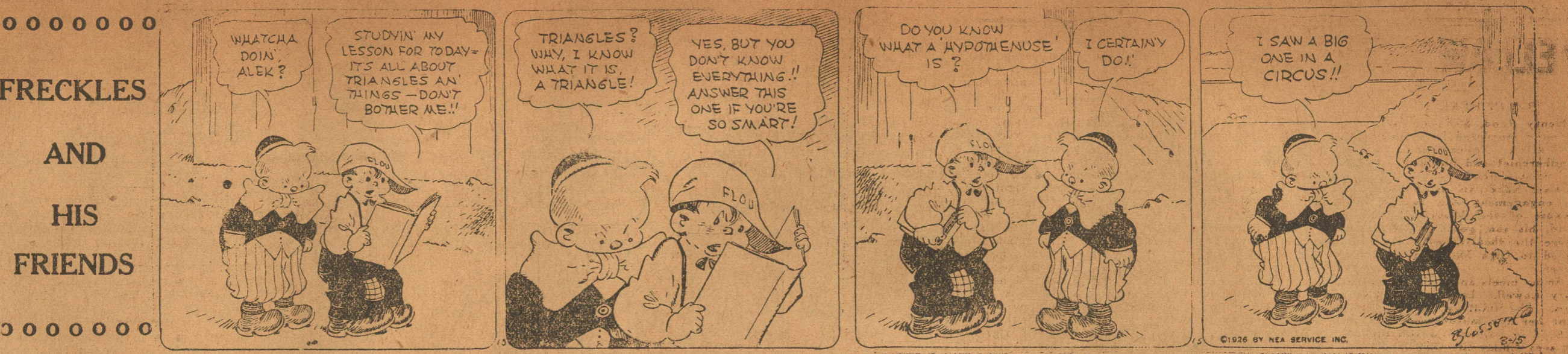
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0--LODGE NOTICES Ranger Masonic Lodge No. 738, A. F. & A. M., meets Tuesday night, 7:30 p. m. Work in M. M. degree. Visitors welcome. FRANK GREEN, W. M. F. E. LANGSTON, Sec. 1--LOST AND FOUND LOST--\$40, between the lobby of the Lamb theatre and Ranger cafe. Return to Lamb box office for reward. LOST--On street Monday afternoon grey milk choker; liberal reward to finder phone 149, or 600 Bobo ave Ranger. LOST--About 10 days ago, chair and lock for spare tire. Finder leave at Times office. 2--MALE HELP WANTED WANTED--Man with car to sell complete line quality Auto Tires and Tubes; exclusive territory; experience not necessary; salary \$300 per month. Milestone Rubber Co., East Liverpool, Ohio. WANTED--Live wire high school boy to act as Ranger Daily Times agent in Olden. Apply Ranger Daily Times, Ranger. 3--HELP WANTED FEMALE WANTED--White woman to take care of two small children and two room apartment. Apply 115 N. Walnut, Eastland. WANTED--Housekeeper to keep house for family of three, in modern home. Call Mrs. John Knox Jr., 434, Eastland. 4--SITUATIONS WANTED WANTED--Position as stenographer and general office woman; law office preferred. Write P. O. Box 1035, Eastland. 7--SPECIAL NOTICES ALL KINDS of hand-work; layette a specialty; ladies' dresses made to order; prices reasonable. 830 Strawn Road, Ranger. RUMMAGE SALE BARGAINS--4 block east, 2 north Young school. Mrs. Zeigler, Ranger. BUTTON-HOLES made to order, 35c per dozen. Mrs. Epps, Chestnut & Smith Plant 101, house 25, Ranger. INCOME TAX SERVICE MADDOCKS & SON, 207 MAIN STREET, RANGER, TEXAS. THREE-PIECE suits cleaned, pressed and delivered for \$1.00. Phone 525, Popular Tailors, 403 S. Rusk st., Ranger. MONEY TO LOAN on Eastland county farm land only. J. B. Ames, Ranger. FURNITURE refinished, repaired, upholstering, stoves fixed. Bob Lee 116 N. Austin, Ranger, formerly with Thorne Furniture Co. REPAIR and carpenter work; furniture upholstering. Phone 238 for free estimate. City Planing Mills, Ranger. 9--HOUSES FOR RENT FOR RENT--Two very nice modern houses, close in; one furnished, one unfurnished. Dr. Buchanan, Ranger. FOR RENT--Furnished house. Mrs. John Dunkle, 706 S. Austin st., Ranger. FOR RENT--Modern five rooms and bath, servants house, garage; fenced garden. \$35.00 per month. 1115 Spring Road. Notify P. O. Box 307 or phone 395, Cisco, Texas. FOR RENT--Two-room housekeeping apartments; everything furnished; adults only. 418 Hodges st., Ranger. 11--APARTMENTS FOR RENT APARTMENTS FOR RENT--Langston Apartments, 413 1/2 Main. Phone 419, Ranger. FOR APARTMENTS see Mrs. Yardley at Wier Rooms, Ranger. 12--WANTED TO BUY WANTED--Sour cream; highest market price. C. & H. Dairy, Ranger. WILL BUY your cattle; also a few milk cows for sale. John Ames Ranger. SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right price. Main street Second Hand Store, 530 Main street, Ranger. Phone 95. WANTED--Second-hand furniture Tharpe Furniture Co., 218 Main at phone 154, Ranger. 13--FOR SALE MISCELLANEOUS BARGAINS in used tires; have plenty of Ford sizes. Green Filling Station, Eastland. FOR SALE--1 good young jack, 2 fresh milk cows, 4 mares, 4 young horses. T. K. Taylor, on Sam Hunt place, 4 miles south of Ranger. 15--HOUSES FOR SALE FOR SALE--Good residence, four rooms, south and east galleries. B. F. Reynolds, 1105 Strawn road, Ranger. 16--AUTOMOBILES ESSEX coupe, 1923 model. Sivalls Motor Co., Ranger. STUDEBAKER sedan, 1924 model Sivalls Motor Co., Ranger. WHY PUT new parts on old cars? "We tear 'em up and sell the pieces." Ranger Auto Wrecking Co., 422-24 N. Rusk st., Ranger. Phone 84. FOR SALE--Ford touring car, good mechanical condition. Black and White Motor Co., Ranger. 21--LEGAL NOTICES THE Ranger School Board will receive sealed bids for a 12-room one-story school building, March 23 1926. Plans can be had from R. S. Glenn, architect, Cisco, Texas, school board at Ranger, Texas; also copy at Texas Contractor at Dallas, by depositing \$25.00 as a guarantee of a bond fide bid and return of the plans. A certified check for \$2,000.00 will be required with each bid to guarantee bond. Address all bids to 211 Marston bldg., Ranger, Texas. Signed Ranger Independent School Board, by M. H. Hagaman, President.



Mon'n Pop By Taylor



CARD OF THANKS. We desire to express our heartfelt gratitude to our friends, neighbors and relatives who so kindly remembered us in our recent bereavement in the loss of our son and husband, L. O. Le Claire, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Le Claire, Mrs. L. O. Le Claire. Adv.

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WHOOFS! HIFFLETREE'S OOZY ONDERINGS

Long Jim Stewart, star athlete of Breckenridge last year, was the high point man in the high school track and field meet held in connection with the Fat Stock show Saturday. Jim is now attending Fort Worth Central. He captured first place in the shot put and the high hurdles and was second in the high jump and discus, for a total of 16 points. The big surprise in connection with Stewart was that he did not take first place in the high jump which is his banner event. A jump of six feet won first place. Later, Stewart made an exhibition leap of six feet one.

The squads from Cisco and Breckenridge doubtless enjoyed the trip to Fort Worth and gained some experience but won no places. Ranger and Eastland were not represented as they were not invited to the meet.

The Fort Worth papers probably tell us much about Stewart now. Seems like the Panther City athletic stars are all imported. Last year about this time, we were reading reams about young Draper of Fort Worth Central. He came from Georgetown and Cleburne. Looks like as big as Fort Worth is, it would grow some track and field stars of its own.

Ira Hopper, all state fullback of 1924, will attend S. M. U., it is announced. Hopper was the wheelhorse of the Oak Cliff team the year they won the State championship and will prove a brilliant performer for the Mustangs.

Special track meet between Ranger and the Loboes tomorrow at Cisco. State girls basketball tournament at Cisco, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. County track meet, next week.

Thurber "Rarin" To Go; Old Team Is Held In Tact

"We are rearin' to go." So declare the fans of Thurber, which always places a strong team in the field. In imagination, Thurber can already see the Oil Belt League pennant floating from the flag pole in its park. However, the team has not started working out. The first practice probably will be held this afternoon. Hale, drop-ball pitcher, will wear a Thurber uniform this season. The remainder of the team will be virtually the same as last season. Delmas, the greatest fielding fire baseman in these parts and a streak on the paths, will be at the initial corner. McKinnon will cover the keystone position. Higginbotham will handle short and "Shotgun" Knight will cover third. Bechtel, Adkins and Paulosky, all ball-hawks and real hitters, will disport in the outfield. The identities of the catcher and another pitcher will be made public soon, club officials state.

Ranger Schools Will Hold Field Day On Friday

Friday is to be a gala day among Ranger schoolboys and girls, on that day the public schools will put on a field day program at Nitro park and at the High School building. The faculty and students are very anxious that every patron of the school, as

well as other citizens of Ranger, should be present and take part in this program. 9:30 to 10--Formation of parade at High School, going down Pine street to the depot, east to Main street, then going up Main to Nitro Park. 10:30 to 12--Track and field events for Juniors. 12 to 1--Lunch at park by P. T. A.'s. 1 to 3--Track and field events for seniors. 3 to 5:30--"Fun" under the direction of R. D. Evans. At High School 3 to 5 and 6 to 8--Open house to view exhibits of work of the Ranger schools. 8 to 9:30--Program of entertainment. Music and stunts by the various schools.

Ranger Pitchers Slow Reporting; Two in Big Top

Pitchers are conspicuous by their absence in the Ranger Magnolia camp. However, the club officials do not seem to be worried. Two hurlers will arrive within the next few days, they state. In the meantime, practice is going on steadily. Ox Rainey, the hard-hitting first baseman, and White, the slugging catcher, are knocking the old age to distant spots and remote places. Workouts are being held on the Olden diamond each afternoon that the weather permits. A practice game will be staged within a week or ten days. The trouble with the Magnolias is that their hurlers are too classy. For that reason, two are receiving try-outs with Texas League clubs and if Blankenshin delivers with Shreveport and Henson makes the grade with Waco, difficulty is going to be experienced in replacing them. If Blank and "Satch" return to the Magnolia camp, however, Ranger will probably have the best pair of hurlers in West Texas.

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# YELLOW STUB

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Henry Rand, 55, a business man, is found murdered in a cheap hotel in Grafton. Police find a woman's handkerchief and the stub of a yellow theater ticket.

Janet Rand, his daughter, breaks her engagement with Barry Colvin, because of the "disgrace." Jimmy Rand, his son, goes to Waterton, where the theatre is. The stub is traced to Olga Maynard, a cabaret singer.

Jimmy meets and falls in love with Mary Lowe. Later he encounters Olga. She faints at hearing police want her for murder. Mary, out with Samuel Church, a wealthy lawyer sees Jimmy lift Olga into a taxi and misunderstands.

Olga tells police the stub might have come into possession of a man who "picked her up" two nights before the murder. Jimmy receives mysterious warnings to leave Waterton and later is attacked by two men but escapes.

With Jimmy and Mary estranged, Church gets Mary's promise to marry him. Jimmy and Olga, one night, see a man who both recognize—she as the man who got stub, he as one of his assailants. The man escapes, but they identify him by his police photo as Ike Jensen.

Church, motoring with Mary, runs over a dog. His heartlessness causes her to break their engagement. Mary writes Jimmy a letter, telling him about it. The office boy sticks it in his pocket and forgets it.

Jimmy gets a phone call late at night from Olga, saying she has found Ike Jensen. Her voice ends in a gasping cry.

Jimmy calls police and rushes to her apartment. She is gone. He and O'Day search the place and O'Day finds a picture, which he sticks in his pocket without showing it to Jimmy.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XLII

Jimmy swung around suddenly, to face O'Day as the latter was buttoning his coat. The police lieutenant colored guiltily and tried to hide his confusion behind a sudden fit of coughing.

But if he had noticed anything peculiar in the other's demeanor, Jimmy did not betray it. Instead, he asked, as he looked anxiously inquiringly, at O'Day: "Where do you suppose—how can we even begin to look for her?"

O'Day, relieved to find that his action of hiding the picture in his pocket had been unnoticed, said loudly: "Give me time, Rand, give me time.

"These women," he added, half dolefully, half humorously, "are always cousin' trouble. It's shoochie la femmie—or whatever you call it in your fancy French—for sure now."

The policemen that O'Day had sent out to search the neighborhood came straggling back.

"Nothing doing, Lieutenant," they reported. "We've been to every house in the block. No rooming houses in the neighborhood, and they all swear they never even saw any one like Jensen hangin' around."

O'Day turned to Jimmy. "What time was it you got the phone call?" "I don't know exactly. It must have been about midnight. I called you immediately afterward."

"Well it was just midnight when you called," he turned to his men. "Of course, Jensen wouldn't dare to be livin' in this neighborhood. I didn't expect you to find anything."

And then he addressed himself again to Jimmy. "We showed poor judgment in not keepin' this Olga Maynard locked up when we had her. We should have kept an eye on her all the time."

Jimmy's anger flared. "I didn't think you'd say 'I told you so' at a time like this. You're talking like that about her and the poor girl might be dead for all we know. Why—"

"There now, lad, don't take it to heart. I didn't mean anything. But I think it might have been better for her if she'd been in jail."

"Of course," said Jimmy hotly. "Lock the barn door after the horse is stolen."

"Well, how do you know she hasn't taken this way of flyin' the coop?" O'Day challenged.

"You seem to take it for granted that she has," retorted Rand.

"If I do, you'll understand why later. In the meantime we're not

gettin' anywhere standin' here and arguin'."

"Have you got any theory as to what took place?"

"Theory, and that's all. Here it is. She called you, you say, to tell you that she had seen Jensen go in the house across the street. Her hat and coat aren't here—at least, not a hat that's ordinarily worn on the street—so we'll take it for granted she was out some place and had seen Jensen just before she came in the house.

"At any rate, she evidently wasn't watchin' from the window, or her coat would be here.

"We'll say, then, that she was comin' home from downtown—maybe from a theater or something—and that Jensen was hangin' around the neighborhood and trailed her home.

"We'll say that he shadowed her from the other side of the street, an' turned around an' saw him just as he passed under that street lamp on the other side of the street.

"She said he had gone in the house right across the way. All right, that's the one opposite the lamp. See?" He led the way to the window.

"Then we'll say that Jensen, seein' her turn an' look at him, tried to cover up by turning into the yard of that house. By walkin' up on the porch, he could give the impression that he was goin' inside."

He paused. "Followin' me?" he asked Jimmy.

"Go ahead," Jimmy bagged. "It sounds plausible enough so far."

"All right. Just a theory, mind you, but go as far as it goes. There's nothin' better to go on yet.

"Now then. She has seen Jensen an' recognized him. Maybe she jumps or betrays herself somehow so Jensen knows that he's been recognized. Maybe she starts runnin' into the house after seein' him. At any rate, we'll say that Jensen thinks he's been recognized, and that Olga doesn't know that Jensen has been shadowin' her.

"Now then, what does she do? She runs right in the apartment an' goes straight to the phone without closin' the door. We'll say she doesn't even turn the light on, because, in the first place, she knows the lay of the land in here an' she doesn't need it.

In the second place, she's in a hurry an' got her mind on phoin' you. In the third place, the light from the window might betray her to Jensen across the street.

"All right. Now it's my opinion that Jensen, if he's got any dirty work on, has got someone with him. Maybe the other guy's followin' in an automobile."

Jimmy nodded. "That's reasonable. There were two of them, you know, the night he and I—"

"Exactly," broke in O'Day, and Jimmy felt a sudden admiration for the shrewdness the other revealed in his clear, straight thinking.

"We'll say, then," O'Day continued, "that Jensen had someone with him. On that theory, we'll say that he signalled for the other fellow to catch up with him an' then the two of them came in this building."

"The girls at the phone, maybe it takes her quite a while to get your number—"

Jimmy interrupted. "It must have

been quite a while. I heard the phone ring downstairs in the hall and, not knowing it was for me, I didn't answer it right away but sat there and just let it ring. Then I went down—"

"All right. That fits, then. It at least is long enough to let Jensen and whoever's with him come in the door downstairs and sneak up here. There's heavy carpet on the steps. I noticed it as I came up.

"Now, she's got you on the line an' she's tellin' you she's seen Jensen, an' for you to hurry up an' get here. Just about that time Jensen an' the other one with him tiptoe in here an' grab her. That'd be when you heard her holler."

"Or maybe she hears them an' turns around an' then gives out a yell when she sees them. At any rate, we'll have to suppose that they covered a head over her mouth, or hit her on the head, or did something to keep her from screamin'. If they hadn't, an' she had yelled, she'd have aroused everyone in the building."

"My own opinion is that if they came in here at all they chloroformed her. If they had been bent on killin' her why would they take her away?"

"Unless," put in Jimmy, "they wanted to question her to see how much we had on Jensen."

"Perhaps," admitted O'Day. "Now what's your opinion about the affair?"

"I can't imagine anything different from what you have described. It looks very much as if Jensen had kidnaped her. Probably he and whoever was with him did chloroform her to keep her from screamin'."

"It's just a theory, mind you," said O'Day. "There's nothin' here to give us any kind of clue to what happened. The only thing at all was that mussed-up rug. Looks as if she might have kicked it when they grabbed her.

"Well, before I tell you, let me ask you not to rear up an' get hot-headed again. Honest, every time I air my views about this Maynard girl you get on your high horse an' act like you're going to take my head off."



The receiver was still off the hook. "What's happened to her?" he gasped.

"And," O'Day added, "that's just one theory. Do you want me to tell you the other one I have?" There was a mysterious ring to his words, Jimmy thought, and a quizzical expression about his eyes. "Yes, go ahead," Jimmy answered.

Jimmy laughed. "Go ahead, Lieutenant, I'll behave." "An' you'll let me finish?" "Yes, I'll let you finish. I won't interrupt once." "All right, then. Now I've just explained that what I've been sayin' is

one theory. An' you'll admit it sounds reasonable."

Jimmy nodded. "An' this one is just as reasonable. It's just this. Suppose this girl really was implicated somehow in your father's murder. Suppose she hasn't been tellin' the whole truth about it. Now she's succeeded in convincin' most people that she's entirely innocent, but there's still a cloud hangin' over her, you might say."

"Now suppose she thinks it's time for her to do the disappearin' act? What could be better, or more convenient, than to frame a little thing like this here?" He waved his hand about him. "Let me finish now." re reminded Jimmy as the other was about to interrupt.

"Now, that's every bit as reasonable as the other theory, an'—"

An interruption came from an unexpected quarter. It was the telephone bell ringin'. O'Day waved the others aside and picked up the instrument in his hands.

"Probab'ly on headquarters," he grunted, and said, "Hello."

He pressed the transmitter against his chest. "It's for you, Rand."

He held out the telephone to Jimmy and the latter, about to take it in his own hands, abruptly stopped. A queer expression came over his face.

"For me?" he repeated. "That's funny."

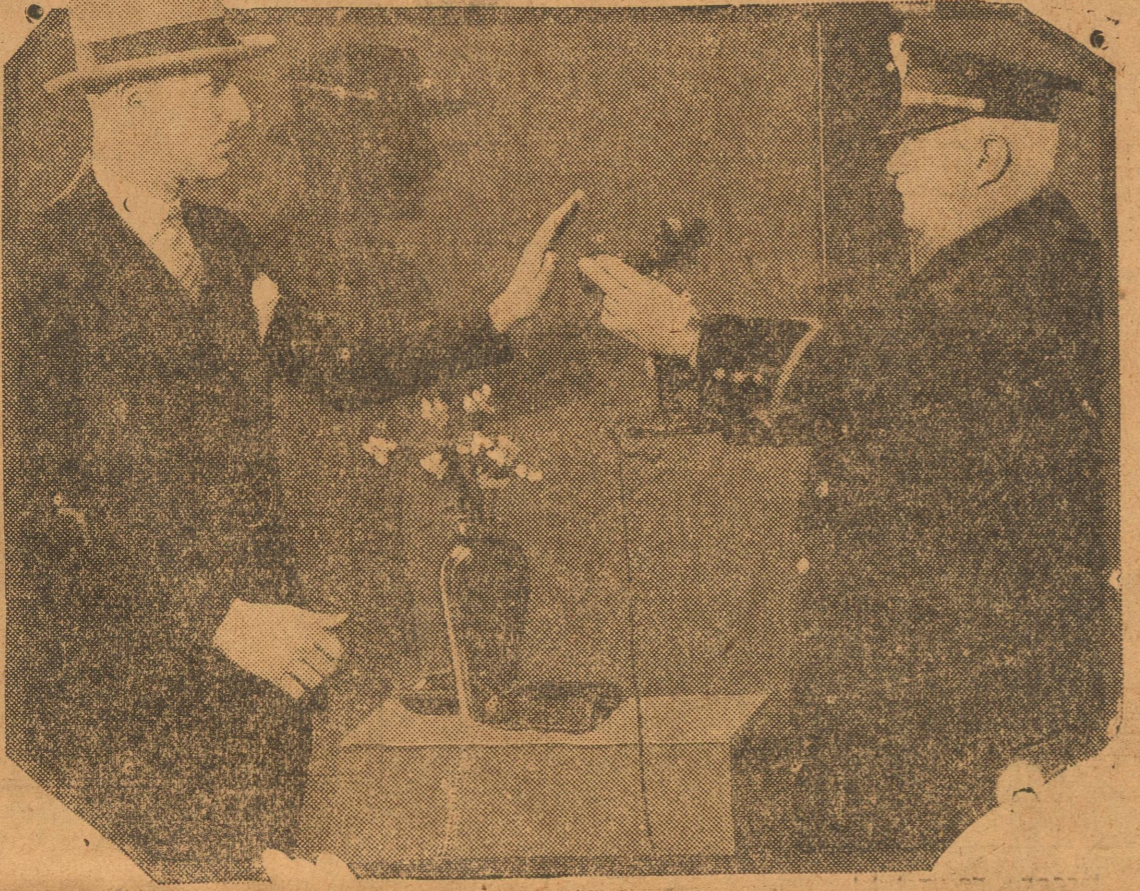
He raised his hand, checking O'Day, who still held the phone extended.

"You take that call," he shot at O'Day. "No one on God's green earth is supposed to know where I am!"

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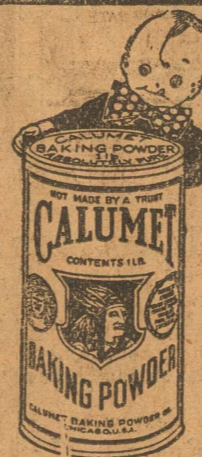


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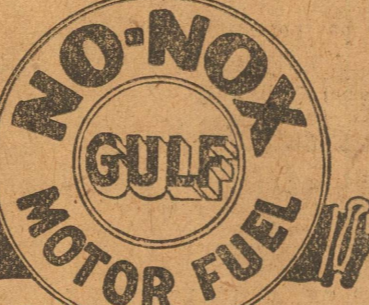
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# OLDEN

OLDEN, March 16.—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Atkins and family motored to Fort Worth, Saturday, where they were week-end guests of Mr. Atkins' sister, Mrs. C. K. Waldon and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Forner returned to their home at Westbrook, Texas, Sunday after a two weeks visit here with their children. Miss Fay Fox of Lenders, Texas, is here visiting at the home of her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Wrights.

Mrs. John Watson is ill with the flu this week. Jeff Brown of the Magnolia Petroleum camp here was visiting in Sipe Springs the last of the week. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Weatherall of Oil City, were down this week-end to attend the funeral of Leonard Le Claire.

R. W. Atkins is on the sick list at present. Mr. and Mrs. Winniger of Caddo, are visiting at the John Watson home here.

Ivan Ray and wife are moving to Olden this week from Desdemona. E. B. Daffern is on a business trip in El Paso this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jarrett and children were visiting Mrs. Jarrett's mother at Morgan, Texas, this week-end.

Miss Addie White of Gorman was the week-end guest here of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson White.

Mrs. Watson of Desdemona is visiting with her son, John Watson and family here this week.

Little Astry Burrow of Flatwoods, who has been quite ill with diphtheria at the home of his grandfather, H. G. Ellison here is improving nicely. C. J. Langliz, Miss Lela Smith, Lomer and Julia Hunt were among the number attending the B. Y. P. U. convention at Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bayles and Claude and Fay, returned to their home at Seymour Sunday. After a short visit here with their daughter, Mrs. V. M. Hamilton and Mrs. Gorman Marton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aylward of Breckenridge spent the week-end here with relatives.

### MISS MARIE ROSSINI TO SING AT LIBERTY

Miss Marie Rossini, former artist with the Dunbar Opera company, has been engaged by Jack Taggart, manager of the Liberty Theatre, commencing today. Miss Rossini, a soprano, has sung in many of the leading theatres of the country, having been a solo artist on a vaudeville tour. Miss Rossini also sang for a season with De Wolf Hopper in a repertoire of comic operas. For her program at the Liberty, Miss Rossini will sing "I'll Forget You" and "By the Light of the Stars."

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"Chickie" is the story of a poor typist who longs for a millionaire husband and the luxuries his wealth can provide. Dorothy Mackaill in the title role finds her millionaire, but, as in real life, she finds there are many drawbacks to the marriage of wealth and poverty. After finding nothing but bitterness in the bottom of her cup she marries for love.

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### Village Follies Delight Large Liberty Crowd

It was a happy, joking line of folks that trailed out of the Liberty Theatre, Ranger, last night, after witnessing the Greenwich Village Follies, starring Raymond Hitchcock. It really seemed as if the hundreds of people present were just starved for a glimpse of the legitimate stage again. Then too they caught the spirit of Hitchcock and his cast—all seeming to be intent on but one thing, the desire to please.

From the moment that Raymond Hitchcock stropped down the aisle, and stopping at the orchestra railing, explained to his audience that he and his company were there to "uplift the stage" until in the final act he introduced his co-stars to the audience, there was not a dull moment. Each number was a razzle-dazzle of color, and of rhythm. Beautiful girls, handsome men, gorgeous costumes.

"You Are My Rainbow" was the opening chorus and proved a knock-out. A supposed to be Metropolitan Opera star the rab member and made the audience howl with his old-fashioned songs, like "Silver Threads Among the Gold" until they got his number and clapped him silent each time.

The Pullman number, the Red Headed Chorus, the clever hat twister, the domestic scene in which the husband says his wife is a religious cook, insuring as everything she cooks is a burnt offering, brought a feast of fun and adventure.

Raymond Hitchcock, as a drunk, trying to take his leading lady home. His "taxi" call, his philosophy and ready wit, his interpretation of a drunken man, took one back to pre-Volstead days and made it hard to realize that it was only in the play.

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The old bronc is like some folks I know—always follows the beaten trail. Results: I have some sore ribs from shimmying as he wiggles me over some sandy roads. If somebody would only take whatever it is out of the booze the fellows drink who first travel a sandy road after a rain, we might have a straight track once in a while. At that, I have a tooth or two left to munch fried chicken when the crop gets ripe out on the Eastland and pleasant Grove road.

Speaking of pioneers, there is James Shearer and his wife. They are literally carving themselves a home out of the wilderness. They have built a neat cottage, cleared 10 acres of ground and demonstrated that fine chickens and turkeys can be raised and marketed without waiting for broad acres of cleared fields to roam over. Their 147-acre farm is a little model for others who may come into Eastland county to make a home where none exists.

I found one man living within a mile and a half of Eastland who refuses to clear his land. And I don't blame him. Kase why? Kase Nature planted feed crops on it that beats the cane, kaffir and maize he could raise for his 35 dairy cows and something like a quarter of a hundred hogs. That man is W. B. Peoples. That place is the 1,000-acre Halcomb place. And those crops are fine crops of curly mesquite grass and wild rye. These grow green winter and summer and with the crops of a scant 50 acres to balance the ration, keep the full-blood Jerseys in fine fettle and fine milk.

It takes 450 cows to supply Eastland with milk, according to the dairymen. Ranger is said to consume the milk from a few more cows than that even.

Me and the old bronc found some farmers out on the Pleasant Grove road out of Eastland the other day and not one of them had any hard times talk. Among these were W. N. Wells on the George Phillips farm, Mr. Phillips himself, Henry Munday, John Mitchell, J. P. Woods, John Parton, E. C. Hogan, Jeff and Ed Laughlin, Joe Nivers, W. G. Williams and his sons, Leo and B. L. (and those younger boys at home, Dee Forest and S. E., who can give Buffalo Bill pointers with shooting irons), Le Roy Patterson, J. P. Woods and Lon Fisher. All of these are doing the family act up in highly satisfactory style to a fellow out preaching feed-yourself homilies. Practically all of them have enough laying hens to produce their own eggs and have some left over to sell.

Mr. Niver sold \$55 worth of tomatoes off of five rows 75 yards long last summer and has a fine dewberry patch. Nearly all of them have enough fruit trees to produce their own fruit. Mrs. Fisher has 60 laying hens; Mrs. Woods 75 white leghorns; Mr. Hogan (and Mrs. Turner's farm) fattens but does not raise his own meat, and raises turkeys successfully. Mr. Parton has half a hundred good hens.

An enviable individual is Mr. W. G. Williams. There may be some part of the country where he does not have a farm, but it's way off somewhere. He has something like 700 acres scattered all over, which he is gradually turning over to his sons and watching them develop into the same kind of farmer he has been all these years. Still, down to date, none of the sons has sold \$600 worth of dewberries in a single season and Mr. Williams did that.

Long about the time dewberries and spring chickens get ripe, me and the old bronc are going to happen out Pleasant Grove way again, and we trust the grove will be all the more pleasant to us when we make inroads on those patches and roosts.

The dotted line is often a fish line.

### Poultry Flocks Show Increase In The County

Great increase in the number of commercial flocks of poultry on the farms of Eastland county will result if the suggestion of County Agent R. H. Bush, made today to poultry breeders, is placed in action.

The county agent suggests that the breeders place baby chicks, in lots of 1,000 on farms where they will be raised to an age of from ten to twelve weeks. Then the breeder would receive all the coccyrels, which would be placed on the fryer market, while the farmer would retain all the pullets. This should give the farmer at least 250 pullets.

Before placing the baby chicks on a farm, the farmer would have to build the necessary brooder house or laying house that could be used for a brooder house, and the building would be inspected and approved.

All the poultrymen to whom the suggestion has been broached are in favor of it.

Mr. Bush hopes that poultry breeders throughout the county will join in putting the idea into effect. No time should be lost.

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