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Do not, for one repulse, forego the purpose that you resolved to effect.—Shakespeare.

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THE WEATHER  
WEST TEXAS—Tonight and Friday unsettled, probably rain or snow in west portion, Temperature little changed.

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## PEACE OFFICERS TRY WATCHFUL WAITING

### RADIO WAVES WILL ANNOUNCE THE NEW YEAR

Liberty Bell To Sound Tonight, "Big Ben" In London Tomorrow Night.

A radio program with which it is hoped to encircle the globe will be put on the air tomorrow—New Year's—night, embracing music, messages and the sounding of "Big Ben," the great bell in the Westminster clock tower of the Houses of Parliament in London. Also this evening—New Year's Eve—receiving sets throughout the United States will bring to homes the ringing of many bells, illustrious among them the Liberty Bell, now in the hallway of the old State House in Philadelphia, which will be sounded at midnight Eastern standard time through station WIP, Philadelphia, operating on 568 meters.

The New Year's Eve celebration will be from Independence Hall, where the relics of the early days of American independence is housed. Most every child in school knows that the bell sounded the liberty notes when the Declaration of Independence was signed. The bell was cracked in 1835 while tolling for the funeral services of Chief Justice John Marshall and historians say that it has not been sounded since, so those who are able to tune in on the Philadelphia station at 11 o'clock tonight they will hear the first ring the old bell has given in ninety years.

Other bells will usher in the New Year of 1926 all the way from New York to California, one of the large sets to be put on the air being Station WSAI, Cincinnati, 326 meters. Grace Church, New York, will ring its bells through Station WEAF, New York, 492 meters, and Trinity Church bells through WJZ, New York, 455 meters.

The big international program on New Year's night, the first attempted, will be worth listening to and will be carried around the world if atmospheric conditions are favorable. Stations WJZ, WBZ, KYW, KDKA, WRC, KFKX, KOA, KGO and British transmitters will radiate the following program New Year's night from 6 to 11 o'clock Eastern standard time, which is from 5 to 10 p. m. in Texas:

From 6 to 7 p. m.—London chimes; Big Ben time signals.  
From 7 to 7:30 p. m.—Eastern Symphony Orchestra.  
From 7:30 to 7:40 p. m.—Shannon Quartet.  
From 7:40 to 8:10 p. m.—Neapolitan Trio; Florentine String Quartet.  
From 8:12 to 8:20 p. m. World news, by Associated Press.  
From 8:20 to 8:50 p. m.—United States Marine Band.  
From 8:50 to 9 p. m.—Shannon Quartet.  
From 9 to 11 p. m.—John McCormick, tenor; Lucrezia Bori, soprano; Victor Concert Orchestra.

The foregoing time is figured for the Eastern States. In Texas it is one hour earlier in each instance.

### Street Car In Tacoma Runs Off Bridge and Four Persons Killed

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 31.—Crashing through a safety gate on the Eleventh street bridge, a streetcar during the night plunged through an open draw into the water way, 120 feet below, killing four persons. Eight persons were in the car when it went over. The streetcar, already torn getting through the gate, was shattered to pieces when it struck the water.

### HIGHER PRICES FOR CRUDE OIL SPUR DRILLING

Activities In Eastland County Field Appear To Be Increasing.

Many Eastland county oil operators believe that an increase in the price of crude for this section is due early in 1926 and are making their plans for increased activities in the various fields. For the past several weeks, due to the holiday season, operators have been going slow on starting any new projects. Wells already underway, however, are being rushed to completion.

In the Carbon territory, ten miles south of Eastland and some twelve or fifteen miles southeast of Ranger, there is now considerable drilling being done. Bowden, Lewis & Hill are putting down a 1,500 foot test, one and one-half miles northeast of Carbon in the northeast corner of the southeast quarter section 32, block 2, H. & T. C. Ry. Company survey. They are now down below 500 feet. Same company also have a machine on the Chandler farm, north of Carbon, where a good showing of oil was found some months ago at a depth of 1,290 feet.

The Halmack company is about to begin operations on the Allison tract, east of Carbon, to which they recently moved a rig from the Collins lease.

In the field just west of Eastland there are several tests that should be in within a short time among them being the Hickock Development company's well on the Amis, which is being drilled by E. A. Clayton.

### New Year May Be Welcomed At Ranger With Aerial Blast

James Boze, expert electrician and in the handling of high explosives, has prepared about 100 shells to be discharged at midnight tonight about 2,500 feet above Ranger. They will be sent up from high-powered motor guns and the explosions will continue two or three minutes.

### JIM STEELE TO SEEK JUSTICE OF PEACE OFFICE

Jim Steele, veteran Eastland county peace officer and ex-justice of the peace at Eastland, will be a candidate for justice of the peace at the coming democratic primaries in July, according to his announcement to friends.

### A Continuous Performance



### PRESIDENT IN HURRY TO ACT ON MITCHELL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—President Coolidge has decided to speed up the review of the Mitchell sentence and, if possible, render his decision within a fortnight. Mitigation of the sentence imposed on Mitchell has been recommended by White House political advisers, and it is believed the President will decide the court martial sentence suspending Mitchell for five years without pay or allowance is too severe. He may lighten it by restoring, at least, part of the pay. Several congressmen are urging that the sentence of suspension be cut to two years.

### Coal Operators and Miners Appear Trying To Reach Agreement

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Unfaltering in a determination to end the anthracite coal strike, operators and mine union leaders again conferred today in the hope of reaching an amicable adjustment which would send 150,000 miners back to work. After two days of negotiations behind closed doors on the third floor of the Union club building, the conference has failed to furnish a basis for agreement, but a ray of hope is held out by the following statement just issued:

"Both sides express the opinion that the controversy can and should be negotiated at this conference. It is held that since concessions will have to be made by both sides, the operators may be willing to grant the cut-off demands of the miners if the latter agree to arbitration."

### STORM LEAVES MUCH DISTRESS ALONG ITS PATH

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Floods, lightning and fire wrought damage throughout the British isles today. Many dwelling houses and a number of factories were burned after being set afire by lightning and the shutting down of power houses caused darkness to prevail in many sections.

In London stumps the huge chimney of a poorhouse fell, alarming and injuring 40 aged inmates still abed. One man was killed and eight injured. Lightning and high water, the aftermath of the very heavy rains yesterday, when 11,000,000 tons of water are estimated to have fallen in London, today continued to cause damage and confusion.

### Dutch and Belgian Emigrants Will Be Examined Abroad

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Examination of American emigrants from Holland and Belgium will hereafter be made at ports of embarkation instead of at Ellis Island, New York, the state department said today. After experimenting with the new system in the British Islands since last summer it has been decided to extend it to other countries.

### RANGER WATER PRESSURE NOW IS RESTORED

Due to the breaking down of the chief pump at the pumphouse of the Ranger water works on the eve of the installation of the new electric pump, the city of Ranger went through the recent cold spell on half-ration of water, but the broken pump has been repaired, the electric pump was to be finally connected up today, and the water pressure throughout the city has been restored. With the electric pump fully installed there should be no further shortage of water.

In order to connect with the new pump it was necessary to stop pumping for a few hours and this could not be done until the big standpipe on Eastland hill was full of water so that the city would be amply supplied. But just as everything was in readiness, the main pump of the three old pumps stopped functioning and only the two smaller pumps remained to keep the city supplied, and even these had to be aided by the reserve in the standpipe. It was necessary to repair the old pump so that the standpipe might again be filled before the electric pump could be connected.

Diminished water pressure in many parts of the city was attributed by many householders to frozen water pipes. Some pipes were frozen, but in many instances there was insufficient water pressure to enable it to flow. When the repaired pump was again put into operation late Wednesday there was a rush of water through many open faucets and also through many leaks in pipes that had, unknown to the householders, been broken by freezing. Plumbers were in demand today.

### REV. A. L. LEAKE TO AID NEGRO CHURCH TONIGHT

Rev. A. L. Leake, pastor of the Central Baptist church of Ranger, will preach at 8:30 o'clock tonight at the Macedonia Baptist church (located in Ranger). Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of the Ranger Christian church, preached there Wednesday night.

### Ford Airplane Has Contrary Fit and Rams Companions

NASHVILLE, Dec. 31.—Three of the Ford all-metal airplanes en route to Florida were completely disabled here today and several pilots and mechanics narrowly escaped death when an unavoidable accident marred the takeoff.

Miss Miami, attempting to take off, failed to gather sufficient speed or was caught in an air current, and suddenly swerved and struck two companion planes, tearing away their wings.

### LEGION POST IN OKLAHOMA STARTS ROW

Complains of H. H. White For Prohibition Director. White Passes it to Andrews.

OKMULGEE, Okla., Dec. 31.—Objections to the retention of Maj. H. H. White as prohibition director for Texas and Oklahoma were brought before the American Legion post here last night by its commander, J. J. Rosenbloom. Removal of White from his position and the substitution of an ex-serve man in his place was asked by Rosenbloom, who asserted that White had been court-martialed, convicted of perjury in obtaining a divorce and dismissed from the army prior to his appointment in the prohibition enforcement service.

### White Says Fight Is Really Directed Against Andrews

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 31.—Herbert H. White, prohibition director for Oklahoma and Texas, while an officer in the army obtained a divorce from his wife, Sarah, in his petition alleging that she continued towards him a course of harsh and cruel treatment, had an ungenerous temper and was continually harassing him. There is also a written pledge in which White agreed to pay her \$100 a month so long as his salary was not changed, and if changed to pay her in proportion, and also an agreement to pay her attorney's fees of \$100.

### Joe Burkett May Remove To Cisco Opening Office There

Senator Joe Burkett stated yesterday that he was considering the establishment of a law office in Cisco and removing to that city. "If I open an office there it will doubtless be in connection with my firm's Eastland office," Mr. Burkett said.

### Ranger State Bank Declares Semi-Annual 5 Percent Dividend

Stockholders of the Ranger State Bank were given a Christmas present that all were glad to see, a 5 per cent dividend on the capital stock of the bank. A 5 per cent dividend was declared June 30, last, in accordance with the custom of the bank of declaring a dividend every six months. Employees of the Ranger State bank were also given bonuses, according to their length of time in service with the bank.

### BODY OF JIM DANIELS TAKEN OUT OF GRAVE

Autopsy To Determine Calibre of Bullets That Killed Him Furnishes Evidence.

Under the direction of Justice of the Peace Gorton, representing Eastland county prosecuting officers, the body of Jim Daniels, police officer who was shot and killed in Ranger, Feb. 8, 1925, was exhumed Wednesday from its grave in Greenwood cemetery, Ranger, and removed to a morgue, where it was examined by Dr. J. B. Stackable, the purpose being to obtain a description of the wounds that killed the man believed to have died while in the discharge of his duty.

Daniels' body was pierced by two bullets, it is stated, but only one found a vital spot. One bullet struck him in the left shoulder, entering at the front and veering downward. This bullet has not been found and may have passed on through. The other bullet, also entering at the front, passed through his heart and lodged in his spine. This bullet has been recovered and is said to be a .32-calibre.

Two men were indicted recently by an Eastland county grand jury in connection with the shooting of Daniels and are now being held for trial. Other indictments in connection with the murder are expected. It is not known that the shooting of Daniels was premeditated. So far as the evidence obtained at the time showed, he was on his way home in the dawn of early morning after being on duty all night and met a gang of men in two automobiles on Homer street near Page in Hodges Oak park addition. Both cars are said to have been stolen and some one of the gang, either because Daniels had recognized them or fearing he would shoot him, Daniels fired four shots, probably after being shot himself, for none of his bullets found a human mark, although he was known to be a center shot. The gang in the two cars drove away leaving Daniels lying in the street, where he was found about an hour later. Although several persons in the neighborhood heard the shooting, it passed with little comment at the time.

### HANKS RESIGNS STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER POST

W. P. Kemper Named Temporarily For Place. Two Other Resignations.

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—Chairman Hal Mussley, before leaving today for his home in Dallas, said the highway commission did not contemplate any further changes at this time in the personnel of the highway department and that the commission was not yet ready to act on the recommendations of Attorney General Moody for cancellation of road maintenance contracts with about 31 counties of Texas.

### CISCO COUNTRY CLUB TO GIVE NEW YEAR'S BALL

CISCO, Dec. 31.—The first annual new year's ball to be given by the Cisco Country club will be given at the clubhouse this evening. A splendid program consisting of music and featuring a radio program that will include listening in at the ringing of Liberty Bell.

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# Society

## AND THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN RANGER

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**TONIGHT.**  
Elks Dance at Elks Clubs at 9 p. m.  
Watch party at the Presbyterian Church.  
Dinner dance at the Holson, 9:30.

**FRIDAY.**  
Twentieth Century Club meets with Mrs. E. L. McMillen at 2 p. m.

**NEW YEAR'S DANCE TONIGHT.**  
It will be out with the Old Year and in with the New Year at the Elks Club tonight. 1925 will go out amidst a blaze of trumpets and a tooting of horns and the New Year will be likewise welcomed in. The Elks New Year's dance is rather an institution in Ranger and practically all loyal Rangerites try to be on hand at midnight to welcome the New Year in among their own people. The Southern Night Hawks will provide the music, the Elks the entertainment and Old Father Time the occasion.

**TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB NOTICE.**  
Mrs. E. L. McMillen will entertain the Twentieth Century Club Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. Members will please note the time and place of meeting.

**AN EXAMPLE THAT ELDERS MIGHT EMULATE.**  
On the editors desk is a letter from a little girl thanking Santa for the gifts he sent and as the editor read the sincere words, she wondered if it was not an example that older ones might emulate. Here is the letter:  
"Dear Santa—I want to thank you for all my presents you brought me. You brought me such a sweet doll and I am proud of all my things. I am going to be a good little girl all next year so you will come to see me again. I am just a little girl 6 years old and I don't go to school but papa made me a black board and got me chalk books and construction paper and scissors, pencils, crayons and mama is teaching me at home. I have told you enough. So good-bye, with good wishes for you a happy New Year and love for you dear old Santa Claus. Your little friend,  
BESSIE ASHCRAFT."

**WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB MEETS.**  
The Wednesday Bridge Club is one of the very few clubs of the city that did not take a recess during the holidays but met in regular session yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Harry Legsdon, at her home in the Cooper Addition. The Logsdon home was attractive in its Christmas decorations of holly and mistletoe and a one course plate luncheon carried out the holiday idea in its appointments. Fetching little wafers were given for high score prizes. Mrs. W. D. Convey making the club high score and Mrs. J. T. Gullahorn the guest high score. The low score prize, two smart little window shade pullers, went to Mrs. J. F. Champion. Around the bridge tables were gathered Meses. W. D. Convey, Roy Jameson, Frank Branahney, F. J. Champion, W. R. Bowden, J. L. Thompson, Gus Coleman, Fred Yorker, Jimmie Matthews, Paul Lacy, C. Craig, E. E. Crawford, E. L. McMillen, John Thurman, J. T. Gullahorn, M. C. Vanderveer of Keokuk, Iowa.

**VISITING IN COMMERC.**  
Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Johnson left this morning with their son, Norris, who has been spending the holidays with them, for Commerce, where he is attending school. Rev. and Mrs. Johnson will return in a few days.

**D. A. R. LUNCHEON POSTPONED.**  
The Daughters of the Revolution luncheon that was planned for Friday has been postponed until later in the month in order that more eligibles may have an opportunity to signify their intention of becoming members of the chapter. Already a number have filled out application blanks but since this is to be a county-wide chapter, it is felt by those who are fostering the move-

ment of organization that there are still a number of women in Eastland County who can and should come in. The date for the luncheon will be announced later.

**CHRISTMAS GUESTS.**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Price of East Lamar street, have for their Christmas guests their two daughters and their families from Boulder, Colo. They are Mr. and Mrs. Hunt Winn and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Franklin and son, all of Boulder.

**OFF TO THE WACO-FORREST GAME.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Johnson and Mrs. R. J. Bates will leave early in the morning for Fort Worth, where they will be dinner guests of Mr. Johnson's brother, and after dinner will motor to Dallas for the Waco-Forest High game. They expect to return to Ranger that evening.

**PERSONALS.**  
Mrs. K. H. Hansford and little Genevieve Carter have returned from an over Christmas visit with Mrs. Hansford's sister in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Jameson left Saturday morning for New York, where they will visit their daughters, Misses Hallie and Rosalie, for the next month.

**COUNTY P. T. A. TO MEET AT OLDEN.**  
Announcement comes from Mrs. Roy Jameson that there will be a meeting of the County Parent-Teachers' Association in Olden Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Baptist Church. All local members please take notice and see that Ranger has her quota present.

Anderson, Ranger; C. M. Abbott, Cisco; D. F. Cogburn, Gorman; W. J. Bumgarner, Eastland; T. L. Cooper, Cisco; T. L. Fagg, Eastland; J. T. Anderson, Cisco; Howard Boone, Cisco; E. E. Booth, Cisco; W. L. Coffman, Gorman; S. O. Barnhill, Cisco; W. L. Barnett, Carbon; J. A. Cameron, Cisco; U. F. Casey, Eastland; W. J. Donovan, Cisco; John G. Elmore, Cisco; O. R. Brady, Ranger; J. D. Davis, Gorman; L. A. Burkett, Cisco; Finis Erwin, Nimrod; J. A. Carter, Eastland; G. F. Blunt, Cisco; A. D. Anderson, Cisco; R. L. Duke, Carbon; R. Alsbrook, Cisco; W. H. Blair, Gorman; W. N. Everage, Rising Star; Joe Clements, Cisco; J. C. Day, Eastland; W. H. Bollinger, Ranger; Paul Brown, Eastland; P. A. Burkhalter, Romney; C. F. Denton, Gorman; J. T. Clements, Gorman; J. E. Burman, Cisco; Joe Campbell, Carbon; L. B. Bourland, Eastland; R. L. Edwards, Ranger; J. W. Denny, Cisco; J. S. Cunningham, Cisco; W. H. Davis, Desdemona; R. S. Carroll, Rising Star; J. M. Douglas, Cisco; Carl Butler, Eastland; E. R. Ashberry, Cisco; C. C. Emde, Desdemona; W. E. Cox, Rising Star; C. D. Everton, Gorman; G. A. Carmichael, Cisco; F. B. Blackburn, Cisco; H. A. Bible, Cisco; E. F. Alton, Cisco; Luther Bean, Eastland; J. M. Edwards, Okra; W. P. Davenport, Rufus Reen, Carbon; E. L. Callahan, Cisco; A. L. Butler, Gorman; Morris Bendix, Ranger; S. A. Elson, Gorman; C. H. Claborn, Carbon; L. L. Buford, Carbon.

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**BIBLE THOUGHT**  
**RETURN TO THE LORD**  
— Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. — Isaiah 55: 7.

**PRAYER**— O Lord, our God, we have often tried to forsake our wickedness, and to purify our own thoughts, but could not. Now we turn to Thee and with Thy help and by Thy grace, success is assured.

**Former Shah Of Persia Yet Lives**  
By United Press.  
**MARIENBAD, CZECHO-SLOVAKIA, Dec. 31.**— Press reports that the former shah of Persia had committed suicide here were denied by the police.

**PARIS, Dec. 31.**— The former shah of Persia has not committed suicide nor has he any intention of doing so, his secretary here said today. The shah is said to be in Paris.

Our stenographer says her idea of a "cheap skate" is to step on a banana peel.—Brattleboro Reformer.

**Special Venire Of 100 Men Drawn For Trial Of Togo Ray**  
A special venire of 100 men has been drawn and ordered summoned from which to select a jury to try the case of the state of Texas vs. Togo Ray, charged with murder. The case is set for trial in the Ninety-first district court on Monday, Jan. 11, and all jurors summoned are to appear at the courthouse in Eastland not later than 10 a. m. on that day. Following is the list of persons drawn:  
W. F. Bohannon, Ranger; W. L. Brogdon, Romney; W. N. Compton, Nimrod; S. D. Beene, Cisco; O. S. Brazzil, Okra; E. P. Crawford, Cisco; W. L. Boyd, Cisco; J. A. Dill, Pioneer; T. C. Culwell, Okra; G. C. Bender, Rising Star; George W. Briggs, Eastland; A. A. Craikhead, Gorman; H. G. Bailey, Cisco; L. L. Burch, Ranger; W. J. Stacks, Carbon; H. L. Denman, Gorman; J. T. Davis, Rising Star; W. R. Bowden, Ranger; J. C. Carr, Cisco; W. E. De-Rossell, Cisco; P. H. Davis, Eastland; Claude Staublefeld, Carbon; W. P. Bucy, Rising Star; O. A. Crown, Gorman; E. R. Brown, Seranton; C. D. Baker, Olden; John L. Davenport; Ed Sherrill, Carbon; Bud Holloway, Carbon; C. B. Bryant, Cisco; Henry Benham, Cisco; W. T. Duncan, Eastland; W. R. Cone, Cisco; J. W. Cowley, Rising Star; W. J. Archer, Gorman; J. L. Bisbee, Cisco; R. W. Cade, Rising Star; John Erwin, Cisco; T. J.

**MORTON VALLEY**  
Special Correspondence.  
**MORTON VALLEY, Dec. 31.**— The people of this community had a most enjoyable time Christmas. There were a number of family Christmas trees due to the fact that the school-house was being repaired and a community tree could not be arranged for. Mrs. C. L. Bond had a Christmas tree for her Sunday school class. Miss Ruthe Carter has returned from Post City. She was given a hearty welcome by her friends.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wyatt and family of Colorado spent Christmas with Mrs. Wyatt's sister, C. L. Bond on a family of this community. Mrs. Wyatt formerly lived in Eastland county and is considered an "old-timer."  
C. L. Fisher and family spent Christmas with relatives and friends at De Leon.  
Mrs. Nicke has returned home from an extended visit with her daughter at Breckenridge.  
Raleigh Bond and wife of Hamlin spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends here.  
Otis Key is moving to Breckenridge. This many friends here wish them success in their new home.  
Mrs. S. A. Bryant of Memphis and Mrs. J. W. Ray spent a few happy hours here recently with their brother, C. E. Bond.  
Miss Lonnie Harmon of Abilene is visiting relatives and friends here.  
Joe Low gave a surprise party for Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cowan. Refreshments were served and all present reported a splendid time.

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**GREETING TO THE NEW YEAR.**  
Midnight—the end of a year—and the beginning of another span of human existence with all its possibilities and pleasures, whose dawn may mean a new and happier life, or whose sun may rise but to light the way to that inevitable end of it all. What a momentous event!  
It was new years only yesterday, or so it seems. The joys and sorrows of a human eternity have been written on its invisible pages and in its graves failure and misdirected effort lies buried. Hearts have run the gamut of every emotion. Mounted to elysian heights and been dashed to depths of black despair. Men and women have lived and loved—have loved and lost—the law of life. Only the mirror of memory remains. Let failure and regret rest neath the clouds of yesterday.  
And now the new year—pregnant with hope and promise to every healthy human, for we are all borrowers from the bank of futurity in this sense. Hope is typical of heaven. It is our right to look forward and upward. This is a new day and the best ever—tomorrow will be better, if a God lets us live.  
Greeting, then, to the new year—an open book in which will be set down even greater achievements and wider prosperity than crowd the limits of that mighty tomb wherein is written the record of the past twelvemonth.  
But in the enjoyment of material blessings we must not forget to illumine the pages as they pass. Good deeds done, thoughtful consideration for others, charity, courtesy and kindness—let these be performed each day without proclamation or parade. Life holds no heritage to compare with appreciation while here, and memory ever after.  
A hearty welcome, then, to the new year.

**OUR CHARITY BUDGET.**  
It will surprise the average American to know that one of every 10 of our entire population are on the public payroll either as inmates of prisons, asylums, poor houses, homes, pensioners, or on the books of charitable institutions as paupers.  
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0—LODGES.

ALL MEMBERS Ranger Canton No. 22 L.O.O.F. are requested to be present Thursday night, Dec. 31, 1925, for purpose of electing officers for 1926.

Stated convocation Ranger Chapter No. 394, Royal Arch Masons, Friday, 7:30 p.m. All members requested to be present.

E. H. CHAPLIN, H. P. C. F. UNDERWOOD, Sec.

1—LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Brown leather hand-tooled purse, in business district; three loose keys and \$10 in currency; keep what you want of the money, but please return the keys. Miss Nell Whalen, phone 354, Ranger.

LOST—Lady's brown folding hand purse containing currency, First National bank of Dallas checkbook with name "Mrs. D. S. Perdue" on it, and other valuables. Finder please return to R. L. Perkins, Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber company, Eastland; liberal reward.

LOST—Black handbag, early Tuesday morning; contained man's clothing and papers; reward. Leave at Paramount hotel, Ranger.

3—FEMALE HELP.

WANTED—Middle-age woman for housekeeping work. Box 1023, Ranger.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES.

IF PARTIES who stole my chickens will return them, nothing will be said; otherwise the law will take charge. Redwine Filling Station, Cisco highway.

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FOR RENT—Furnished apartment in my house. Mrs. Nannie Walker, Caddo road, Ranger.

FOR RENT—2-room apartment with bath. Langston Apartments, 413 1/2 Main st., phone 419, Ranger.

12—WANTED TO BUY.

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21—LEGAL NOTICES.

POUND SALE—On Monday, Jan. 4, 3 p. m., at 615 W. Main, there will be sold one brown mare, 14 1-2 hands high, has white spot in forehead. O. V. Davenport, Chief of police, Ranger.

22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK.

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Breaking with her fiance, Bruce Reynolds, because he opposes her ambition for a career, Barbara Hawley, a talented girl of 25, gets a job on the Telegraph.

Jerome Ball, a man about town, introduced to Barbara by Bob Jeffries, police reporter, takes her to a newspaper dinner at a roadhouse. While there she covers the story of the suicide of a prominent local man in a private dining room. She picks up a red scarf belonging to the dead man's unknown woman companion.

Bruce has joined the real estate firm of Manners, Stone & Reynolds, which, later collapses, due to the crookedness of Manners. Lydia Stacy, a rich widow, is attracted by Bruce, but when he treats her coldly she informs Andrew McDermott, managing editor of the Telegraph, of the impending crash.

Barbara is assigned to the story and Bruce blames her for the publicity given the firm's collapse.

Barbara carries on a correspondence in the lovehorn column of the paper with a factory girl named "Violetta." Then she reads of Bruce's marriage to Violetta Cranby, and realizes she has helped another girl win her former fiance.

When Barbara's mother dies, she moves into a small apartment with McDermott, daughter of the managing editor. Fancy comes in after midnight to find Barbara waiting for her.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY: CHAPTER XXXIV.

Fancy came in slowly and closed the door. She did not see Barbara until Barbara moved. Then a shadow of surprise and consternation crossed her face.

She was walking across the room toward the bedroom when Barbara spoke. "Fancy," she said.

The girl stopped, but did not look around. "Fancy," Barbara repeated. "What is it?" said Fancy, sullenly. "Where have you been?"

"Out with a friend," snapped Fancy, beginning her march toward the bedroom again.

"It's very late indeed," said Barbara gently. "What if it is?" cried Fancy, whirling around to face her. "I'm old enough to take care of myself. You needn't worry, Barbara."

"Taking care of oneself isn't a matter of age, Fancy. I'm afraid your father wouldn't like this, dear. He expects me at least to know where you are and whom you are with."

"Well, why don't you give me a chance? I don't mind telling you where I was. We went out to dinner at the Lighthouse and coming back we had a puncture and a blow-out. That's all."

"Even so, you must have left the Lighthouse rather late. It's not a very good place for a nice girl early in the evening, Fancy, and toward midnight it gets worse."

Fancy tossed her head. "Huh, I don't see how you know anything about it, living here the way you do. Work day in and day out, no fellows or fun. Gosh—you don't expect me to live that way, do you? I'd die!"

Again she started for the bedroom. Barbara followed her. "Listen, Fancy," she said, "you've spoken like a very rude and boorish child. But it doesn't matter. All I care about is for you to behave as your father wishes. I am responsible to him, you know."

"Don't you go and tattle, Barbara Hawley. You'll be sorry if you do! Oh, how my head aches. Let me alone." She ran into her bedroom and slammed the door. Sounds of robbing came through the partition.

Barbara walked heavily to the front door and locked it. Then she turned off her lamps and went to get the milk bottles. She picked up the flower box in the kitchen and opened the door of the dumb-waiter to put it in. A card dropped out. It bore the name "Jerome Ball."

Fancy did not appear for breakfast. Several times Barbara approached her door and paused a moment. But she left it without knocking. At last, when the toast was stacked on the plates and the coffee

pot steamed on the breakfast table, Barbara knocked at Fancy's door. "Are you ready for breakfast, dear?" she called. There was no answer. "Fancy!" she called, called, with alarm in her voice. A sound of sobbing answered her.

Barbara went back to the dining table and ate alone. Fancy had not appeared when she left for the Telegraph office.

McDermott looked up as she hurried past his office door. She turned her head away, lest he ask her about Fancy. But he came to the door and called after her. "Good morning, Barbara? How are you and the youngster making it? I have a dinner date with her tonight. Want to come along?"

"No, thank you," Barbara replied, and turned her eyes away. The movement was not lost on McDermott. He turned back into his office with a sober face.

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We want to take this opportunity of wishing each of our friends and patrons a very happy and prosperous New Year for 1926. The Old Year is gone and took with it the joys and sorrows. May the New Year hold in store another, and even more prosperous, era for the good people of this section.

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1925 IS GONE 1926 IS HERE We Are Thankful For The Old We Welcome The New Thankful For the Old Year 1925 Because it brought us many new friends and patrons and because the old ones remained true. Thankful For the New Year 1926 Because it brings us new opportunities for service to our old friends and patrons and the hope of adding many more new ones. With each of you we hope that 1925 has been a year in which your joys have far outweighed your sorrows and that 1926 will be the best year in every respect you ever experienced. RANGER BATTERY & TIRE CO. J. L. CHANCE, Prop. Ranger, Texas

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# SPINSTERHOOD

Barbara gazed after him and took one step toward his door. Then she turned with sudden determination and went to the telephone booth.

When she came out her lips were tightly set.

"My heavens, Barbara," cried Bob, "you look like a lion hunting for a Christian. What's the matter?"

"Oh, nothing much," she evaded.

"Just life, that's all."

Miss Badger made one of her rare pilgrimages to Barbara's desk. "Oh, Miss Hawley," she said, with the extreme nonchalance she always used in addressing Barbara, "I have been told that Jerome Ball's engagement to Angela Davison has been broken off. A man who belongs to his club told me Jerome had slipped out of the shackles again.

"Poor Angela! She's only one of many women who thought they had that gentleman cinched. But he always makes his get-away. Wonder who the new girl is." She looked at Barbara sharply.

"How should I know, Miss Badger? He doesn't confide his amours to me."

"Well, I knew you knew him and thought you might have heard about it. I didn't mean to offend you, I'm sure." The society editor's retreat was dignified.

Barbara plunged into the day's work, attempting not to think of Fancy or Jerome or of Violetta or Bruce. That afternoon her lover's column contained the last letter from Violetta, with Winnifred's advice to this effect:

"You should stand by your husband and try to help him weather his business troubles. You don't want him to think you a gold-digger, do you?"

"I am sure I cannot say whether all women can love a second time as well as the first. I can only say that there are many women who cannot. And there are many women who never really love at all."

At 4:30 Barbara approached the city desk. "I'd like to go home now, Mr. Wells. I have an important engagement and my work is finished."

Wells gave her a curt nod and went on scratching copy.

Barbara reached home shortly after 5. She washed her face and hands and changed her dress. Then she sat down in the living room to wait.

At 5:30 the doorbell rang and she opened the door to Jerome Ball.

He was looking particularly swaggy and good-humored. He laid aside his hat and came with a lordly gesture. "By Jove, Babs, this is great

to be here. I never thought you'd call up your old pal and invite him 'round."

Barbara detected a note of anxiety beneath the flippant words. "I wouldn't have, Jerome, without good cause."

"Cause?" Jerome lit a cigaret, and then with elaborate politeness, offered her one. She shook her head.

"Yes, cause. There's no use playing dead in this matter, Jerome. I know your game. In short, the sooner you stop running around with Fancy McDermott, the better for both of you."

Jerome raised his eyebrows. "Zat so?" he mocked. "And who was it said so?"

Barbara waved his insolence aside. "If you don't drop out of sight as far as Fancy is concerned, I shall tell her father all I know about you," she persisted. "And I don't think even your impudence is a match for him. I'd hate to have to bother him, but of course I'll do it, if there's no other way out."

Jerome seemed to be enjoying his cigaret. "Now daffodil, be reasonable."

The name maddened her. She turned on him. "Don't try to bluff me, Jerome," she warned. "Just as certain as you keep up your attentions to Fancy, I shall tell her father everything I know about you."

"And what, pray, is that? Merely that I've flirted a bit and drunk a little and generally enjoyed myself, in a comparatively respectable way. You can't hang a fellow for that, you know. Anyhow, the day is gone when fathers have such mighty power over their daughters. Bring on your McDermott. I'll meet him."

Barbara straightened her shoulders. "I'm not pretending to know anything heinous about you, Jerome. This isn't blackmail. But I do know you're heartless and fickle where women are concerned. And I know that a kid like Fancy has no chance of holding you for more than few weeks."

"It looks to me as though she were rather seriously smitten with you. Oh, you have a manner, you know—and that's enough to get women."

"But you took that child last night to a roadhouse that is distinctly questionable. You drank whiskey here with her before you left. Oh, yes, you did—I found the glasses. And you brought her home after 1 o'clock in a state of exhaustion and nerves that kept her in bed all morning."

"This sort of thing simply can't go on."

Jerome looked at her, half smiling. "You amuse me, Barbara. You're one of those damnable women who take it on themselves to plot out the course of the universe and then see that it goes according to the plan.

"Who do you think you are to interfere with my happiness or Fancy's either?"

"I'll admit I'm fond of her, and I think she's decidedly fond of me. Maybe you'll realize that I do care for her when I tell you that I've broken with Angela. Angela's a pale, spineless namby-pamby beside Fancy. I tell you that kid's a knockout, all fire and go. And look? Lord Almighty!"

Barbara was holding her temper with difficulty. "No, Jerome," she said, "it doesn't comfort me to know you've turned down the other girl for Fancy. That sort of thing is a mere episode in your long career. The ladies you've turned down for other ladies would stretch from here to Harlam, if placed side by side. Fancy'll have her turn and then go like the rest."

Jerome shifted in his chair. "Well, is there anything more to say? Guess I'll be rambling along."

"No," answered Barbara, "there's nothing more to say, but there are things to do."

Jerome laughed, his head thrown back. They heard the door open behind them. Fancy stepped into the room.

She gave them a startled look. Then she stepped nearer. "Now," she said to Barbara, "I'm beginning to understand why you flung such a fit last night."

(To be continued.)

Olden to continue her studies in Olden high school after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marse Young and family of Brady, Texas.

Miss Julia Hunt spent the past week with her aunt, Mrs. Pearl Hunt at Ranger, who has been quite ill. Max McGarvey is quite ill with the flu this week.

J. L. Vaughan Jr., who spent Christmas with home folks here, returned today to Austin where he is attending college.

Mrs. M. A. Oby and two sons, Elie and Ellis, have arrived home from a week's visit with relatives at Glendale, Texas.

M. Cummings and Joe Caldwell of Breckenridge were Olden business visitors Tuesday.

The P. T. A. will meet at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon for a county meeting. All parents are requested to be present at this meeting.

Misses Charisie Hunt and Clintus Bockman were guests of Miss Hunt's sister, Mrs. Warthen Seals and family at Eastland Tuesday night.

Mrs. F. A. Coats of Minneapolis, who has been visiting her son, W. W. Coats, here, has gone to California to spend the winter.

Mrs. C. H. Everett left Wednesday for Paris, Texas, for a visit with her mother, Mrs. J. N. House of that place.

Mrs. G. H. Parker of Gorman was a guest at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. M. Hammett here Tuesday.

Mrs. John McGarvey is entertaining one of her daughters from Illinois this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Williams and daughter, Molba, have returned to their home at Rankin, Texas, after

spending Christmas with Mrs. Williams' sister, Mrs. B. F. Cayce and family here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mitchell and son, Edwin, have returned from a visit with Mrs. Mitchell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Horner, at Westbrook, Texas. They also visited Mr. Mitchell's uncle at Shep, Texas.

R. M. Hammett was attending to business at Rising star Tuesday.

L. A. Cockran has moved his grocery store from Ranger to Olden. He is locating in the building formerly occupied by the McMinn grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Horner spent Christmas with Mr. Horner's parents and sister at Westbrook, Texas. They returned to Cisco Saturday spent the week-end with Mrs. Horner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lamb.

P. G. Wright Jr., returned home Sunday from a week's visit with relatives at Stamford, Texas.

Miss Dovie Hill and O. K. Norton were united in marriage Saturday night by Rev. H. B. McNeil of Cisco. O. K. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Norton here and his bride was an orphan girl, having lived in the Norton home here the past three or four years. The young couple will make their home in Olden.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gibson have re-

turned to their home in Fort Worth, after spending Christmas with Mrs. Gibson's sister, Mrs. Bob Wright and family near here.

A lot of people would have lived to a ripe old age if they hadn't had the right of way.—Detroit News.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We wish to thank our dear friends and neighbors for their kindness during our baby's illness and death. May God's greatest blessings rest on each and every one is our prayer. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Dodd and Family. (Adv.)

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## OLDEN

OLDEN, Dec. 31.—Little Cecil Rainey, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rainey died Tuesday night and was buried in the Merriman cemetery Wednesday afternoon. All the Olden people extend their sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Rainey.

Mrs. Lee Sellers and son of Stamford are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gullet and family here this week.

Mrs. Floyd Jenkins of Best, is here for a few days visit with friends.

Mr. W. H. Bond visited relatives at Beaumont a few days this week.

Mrs. Ola Ross of Dallas is the guest of her mother, Mrs. E. C. Osborn here this week.

Mrs. R. B. Dayson and children of Tulla, Texas, are expected to arrive today for a visit with Mrs. Dawson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brashers and family.

The Olden high senior basketball boys expect to play the Gorman boys at Gorman, Friday afternoon.

Miss Viola Young has returned to

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