

JURY DECIDES THOMPSON IS SANE
Maverick Football Banquet Scheduled Tonight
ELEVEN KILLED IN TEXAS ON FIRST DAY OF YEAR

Car Accidents Take Greatest Toll Of Lives

Three Men Commit Suicide, Two Are Slain And One Dies Of Indigestion. DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2—Welcome to the new year was quiet in Texas, only 11 persons losing their lives violently or in a manner attributed to celebration of the holidays, more than 50 were injured. Five persons were killed in automobile accidents. Three men, committed suicide. Two were slain, James C. Smith, 45, Fort Worth engineer, died of indigestion following a holiday dinner.



Chaplain Markley

State Is Again On Deficiency Basis Today

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 2.—Opening of the doors of the state treasury was delayed this morning and followed by the posting of a notice that the state general revenue fund has again been placed on a deficiency basis. State Treasurer W. Gregory Hatcher announced that the warrants against this fund which were sent to his office by mail and deposited on his desk prior to opening exceeded the amount of cash in the fund, which at close of business on Dec. 31 was \$23,576.58. Outstanding and unpaid warrants against this fund, Treasurer Hatcher said, are more than \$3,000,000 more than \$1,000,000 of this being held by banks representing October and November payrolls.

Presbyterians To Have Special Meetings Here

Extensive arrangements for a series of special meetings in the local Presbyterian church have been completed, and beginning Monday night, at 7:30 o'clock, Eastland folk will have an opportunity of hearing Chaplain Herbert G. Markley, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Breckenridge.

With him will be the Rev. G. D. Robison, D. D., of Lubbock, Texas, field man for Abilene Presbytery, and a preacher of note. These two men will be in charge of the meeting. The organization will work together with presiding at each service will be under Doctor Robison, while the sermons will be delivered by Chaplain Markley. Both of these men are well and favorably known throughout Texas, and Chaplain Markley has lectured and preached all over the United States.

From the frozen prairies of North Dakota, the wind swept plains of Texas is a long journey, but it is only a small part of the time when the morale of the 41st Division was very low, I became convinced that he represents the highest and most useful type of chaplain in the American Army. His appeal for righteousness is from the heart, and no one can hear him and not be moved. With a wealth of experience to draw from he holds the attention of both young and old. He reaches nothing but the Old Time religion with a Twentieth Century emphasis, and those who hear him are convinced that he is in earnest and sincere.

Program Has Been Arranged With Much Care

A football banquet for the Eastland Mavericks will be held on the roof garden of the Connelley Hotel at 7:00 o'clock tonight when the members of the team and a number of fans meet for an evening of entertainment.

An interesting program has been arranged at which V. T. Seaberry will be the referee. Those on the program will include K. B. Tanner, Hal Dean Allen, Ed T. Cox, Jr., Bobby Garrett, Carl Foster, Coach Gibson and P. B. Bittle.

The letter men as announced to the Telegram today by coach Gibson and who will be present at the banquet are as follows: Lee Taylor, Henry Van Geem, Delbert Myers, Porter Medice, Desmond Daniel, Robert Pentecost, George Brodton, Lewis Bargsley, Walter Smith, Bert Smith, Clarence Manck, Scott Key, Carl Foster, Carroll Allison, J. A. Jones, Ralph Benson, Hal Dean Allen, Rex Clark, Melvin Lobough, Edward Mackall, Jack Smith, Rob Roy Sparr, Estes Burgamy, Fred Gary, Mgr.

Guatemala's Third Government—Within a Week



Significant figures and scenes in the bloody course of Guatemala's government are shown in these first pictures to reach the United States. The present chief executive General Manuel Orellano, is seen in the upper picture, right center, with his staff, Miguel T. Alvarado, lower left, new Minister of Government and Justice, and Dr. Carlos Padilla y Padilla, lower right, were leaders in the movement which resulted in a bloody coup d'etat and the establishment of Orellano as the third president of the Central American republic within one week.

Verdict Means Doomed Man To Die In Chair

Case Went To Jury At 4:30 Thursday Afternoon And Verdict Heard At 10:30 Today.

Clyde Thompson is sane, according to the verdict returned this morning by the jury that heard the evidence in his sanity trial in the 88th district court, and the verdict of a former jury that he must die in the electric chair for the slaying of Lucian Shoek is to be carried out. Judge Elzo Been said this morning that he probably would sentence Thompson next week and set the date for his execution.

The sanity trial jury received the case at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. This morning about 9:00 o'clock they had reached a verdict and called for the sheriff. It was 10:30 o'clock, however, before the jury was seated in the jury box in the courtroom and Judge Been read the verdict. Geo. Farvin of Eastland signed the verdict as foreman. After the verdict was read Judge Been polled the jurors, having each juror stand as he was asked: "Is this your verdict?" Each juror answered in the affirmative.

Thompson showed little sign of emotion when the verdict was read. When Deputy Sheriff Steel read the verdict, however, before the jury box in the courtroom and Judge Been read the verdict, Thompson was smiling in the same silly manner in which he has been smiling throughout the trial. He continued to smile after the verdict was read and was still acting that way as he was escorted from the courtroom. Notwithstanding the fact that Thompson at no time was unruly the officers, doubtless remembering Marshall Ruffin, who was taken from the jail to the courtroom. The handcuffs were removed, however, during the progress of the trial.

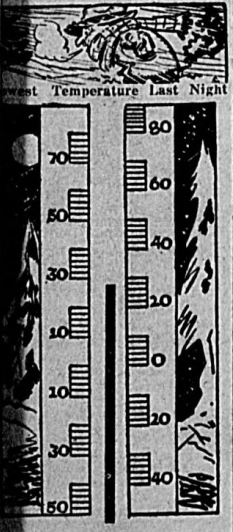
Fire Destroys A Cisco Home

A five-room residence at 905 West Fifth street, in Cisco, owned by E. B. Clappitt and occupied by N. C. Mitchell, was badly damaged by fire which broke out in the kitchen early this morning, originating presumably from a small electric heater under the stove. The furnishings of the house were removed by the crowd at the fire and transferred to a vacant house next door owned by E. P. Crawford. Mrs. Mitchell was alone at home. She discovered the fire when she went from the front of the house to the kitchen and found it in flames. The kitchen, a portion of the roof and three of the front rooms were badly damaged. Fire Marshall M. H. Fleming estimated the damage at around \$2,000, partially covered by insurance.

Radio Features

FRIDAY'S FIVE BEST RADIO FEATURES (Copyright 1930 by United Press) WEAF NBC network 6:00 p. m. CST—Drama and Literature. WABC CBS network 7:00 p. m. CST—Grand Opera Minutaire. WJZ NBC network 8:00 p. m. CST—Interviewed Pair. WABC CBS network 9:00 p. m. CST—Concert Program. WEAF NBC network 9:30 p. m. CST—RKO Program.

WEATHER



U. S. MAILS Mail for Fort Worth or beyond Daily West—12:00 M. Daily East—4:18 P. M. Air Mail—Night planes 4:18 P. Day planes 8:30 P. M.

Three Resign As Employees Of The Confederate Home

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 2.—The resignations of A. W. Taber, superintendent, of Dr. C. T. Hairston, physician, and of H. S. Lawson, storekeeper of the State Confederate Home here, were accepted today, the State Board of Control announced. The resignations have been with the board for many weeks. They were filed practically coincident with a report of an efficiency expert, criticizing the home management. At the recent state convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy resolutions were adopted by acclaim praising superintendent Taber and expressing confidence in him despite Lynn's criticisms.

Moody To Appoint A District Judge

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 2.—Another district judge appointment comes to Governor Dan Moody as the result of Attorney General James V. Allred having appointed Judge Bruce Bryant of Haskell as his first assistant. Judge Bryant's district includes Haskell, Kent, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties. No appointment had been announced by Governor Moody this morning.

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Mavericks Open Basketball Season Saturday Night

Coach John Gladden will lead his Mavericks eagles to Breckenridge Saturday night where they will open their schedule with the Breckenridge Buckaroos. This will be Eastland's first game in the newly organized Oil Belt high school basketball league. The other members of this league will launch their schedule Friday night.

Candy Torpedo Breaks Man's Jaw

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2.—Police today were seeking the source of candy-covered torpedoes, one of which broke the jaw and knocked out two teeth of E. H. Bowman, local hotel clerk, in exploding. Bowman was offered what he thought was a piece of candy at a new year's party. He bit into it and the explosion followed. He was unconscious several hours.

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DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2.—W. A. Schaffer, 22, convicted slayer of Dorothy Jones, today filed a notice of appeal from a 99 year sentence. Schaffer acted as his own attorney. His action came as a last minute reversal of his previously announced intention to start serving the sentence imposed upon him. Schaffer, at the time of Miss Jones' death, pleaded that the shooting was accidental.

Smiling Bandit Holds Up Cisco Theater Cashier

Smiling pleasantly, a young, unmasked bandit pushed a small automatic through the opening in the window of the ticket booth at the Palace theater at Cisco last night and relieved Mrs. K. N. Greer, wife of the manager, and Miss Jackie Hatton, cashier, of a portion of the day's receipts, escaping on foot. The loot was estimated by Manager Greer this morning at \$235.

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Murder at Bridge

by ANNE AUSTIN
author of
"THE BLACK PIGEON"
"THE AVENGING PARROT"
"MURDER BACKSTAIRS"

BEGIN HERE TODAY
Vanita Selim is murdered at four days later Dexter Sprague, her lover, is also murdered when he disappears mysteriously from an impromptu bridge party at Tracey Miles home. Special investigator Dundee, working on the theory that Nita and Sprague were partners in blackmail, and that Nita had come down to Hamilton after recognizing someone in a picture, finds that the six other suspects in Nita's death all had opportunity to kill Sprague

All six could have hidden the body after the murder, in a secret place in the guests' closet in Nita's house. Nita's will and the fact that she had Sprague contrive to call near her bed to summon her, her maid and heir, show she feared death. The police find the Nita and Sprague were killed by a New York gunman, Sprague, fearing he is being followed, attempts to escape through the window of the trophy room, where he is found, and is killed through the stomach by the assassin crouching outside. Dundee points out the fact that all fingerprints were wiped off the floor, showing the murderer had been there. Strawn has every one present at the bridge party to come to the Miles' house for questioning, but Clive and Polly are missing.

HOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
CHAPTER XXXVIII
Dundee give a good deal to know of those two suggested that would be a good idea to get married the first thing this morning. Dundee mused aloud, as he came down the second 'extra' which the Hamilton Morning News had on occasion to issue that Thurs-

day was two o'clock, and Dundee across the desk from Captain Strawn, in his former chief's office in police headquarters. The first extra had screamed in "biggest head type: SECOND BRIDGE DUMMY MURDER!" and carried, in detail, Captain Strawn's comforting theory that Dexter Sprague's erstwhile friends had again been made the victims of a New York gunman's fiendish whimsy in committing his murders under circumstances which would inevitably involve Hamilton's most highly respected and socially prominent citizens in the police investigation.

But the second extra had a more romantic headline: **HAMILTON WEDDING DELAYS MURDER QUIZ.** The story beneath a series of smaller headlines began: "At the very moment—9:05 o'clock this morning—when Celia Hunt, maid in the Tracey Miles home in the Brentwood district of Hamilton, was screaming the news of her discovery of the dead body of Dexter Sprague, New York motion picture director, in what is known as the 'trophy room,' Miss Polly Beale and Mr. Clive Hammond were applying for a marriage license in the Municipal Building." "At 9:30, when Miss Beale and Mr. Hammond were exchanging their vows in the rectory of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of which both bride and groom have been members since childhood, Captain John Strawn of the homicide squad was listening to Tracey Miles' account of the strange disappearance of Dexter Sprague from the impromptu bridge game, after he had announced his intention of taking advantage of the fact that he was 'dummy' to telephone for a taxi.

"And at 10 o'clock, when the new Mrs. Hammond called her home to break the news of her marriage to her aunt, Mrs. Amelia Beale, the bride was in turn acquainted with the news of Sprague's murder and the fact that both she and her husband were wanted at the Miles home for questioning by the police, since both had been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miles last night, although

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



By Blosser

Filmland's Newest Newlyweds



The other day Bill Boyd and Dorothy Sebastian, movie stars, hopped a plane for Las Vegas, Nev. On arrival there they hunted up a justice of the peace and got married; then they hopped their plane again and hurried back to Hollywood, as each had to go to work in the studio the following morning. Here they are—Hollywood's newest newlyweds.

Mr. Hammond did not arrive until about 11 o'clock. "Possibly," Dundee grinned, unruffled. "But there is another possibility—which is why I should like to know who suggested this sudden wedding. I mean that we can't overlook the possibility that these two murders made either the bride or the groom feel perfectly safe in going on with the marriage. Polly Beale and Clive Hammond had been engaged for more than a year, you know, with no apparent reason for a long engagement. As for my having a single-track mind, Captain, what about you? I have six possible suspects, all of whose names I know, and you have only one—whose name you do not know, and whose motive you can only guess at, while I have a perfectly good motive that might fit anyone of my six—blackmail!" "Is that so?" Strawn growled. "I'm not forgetting that Nita Selim banked \$10,000 cash after she got to Hamilton. My real theory is that Nita and Sprague had cooked up some sort of racket between them, and that when Nita got the chance to come to Hamilton with Mrs. Dunlap, she jumped at it, and that telegram that Nita sent him April 24, just three days after she got to Hamilton, let's see again just what it says," and Strawn reached for a copy of the night letter which Dundee himself had unsealed the day before. "See 'Everything Jake so far, but would feel safer you here—"

"Yes, I remember the wording quite well," Dundee interrupted. "But you did not take it so seriously when you showed it to you yesterday. If you had—"
"All right! Rub it in!" Strawn snapped, flushing darkly. "If I had assigned a man to tail Sprague, as you suggested, he wouldn't have been murdered."
He probably would have been murdered just the same," Dundee comforted the older man, "but we might have been lucky enough to have an eyewitness."
"Oh, you and your theory!" Strawn growled. "But let me go on. Nita meant she would feel safer about Sprague if he was here in Hamilton, too. But the guy they double-crossed in New York got on their trail. It took him weeks to do it, and Sprague followed Nita's advice. He got her on Sunday, April 27, and on Monday the 28th Nita banked the first \$5000! Don't you see it, boy? Sprague brought with him the dough they'd got for their stunt, and thought it was safer for Nita to bank it in her name, since it wasn't the name she was known by in New York anyway. We've checked up on Sprague pretty thoroughly. He didn't have a bank book, either on his body or in his room, and every bank in town denies he had an account with them."
"If that theory is correct, it makes Nita Selim a pretty low character," Dundee mused aloud. "Not only did she kick him out as a lover, but she double-crossed him as her partner in crime, by billing the whole wad to Lydia Carr. Sprague must have received quite a shock when he heard Nita's will read at the inquest."
"Yeah," Strawn agreed. "It looks like Mrs. Dunlap picked a sweet specimen to make a friend out of. Well, that's my theory, and I think it explains everything. Their victim in New York simply hired a gunman, or came down here himself, when he got on their tracks. Of course it was a good stunt to make it look like a local crime—figured he'd fool me just as he fooled you! So the murderer simply trailed Nita around, and saw the whole bunch of us search a people shopping at a target at Judge Marshall's place, with a gun equipped with a Maxim silencer. Too good an opportunity to be missed, so he bides his chance to swipe the gun and silencer. To make sure it will look like a local crime, he pops off Nita when that same bunch is at her house, but it takes a few days longer before he has the same opportunity to get Sprague. But it came last night and he took advantage of it."
"A very plausible theory, and one which, in general, the whole city of Hamilton has been familiar with since the night Nita was murdered," Dundee remarked significantly.
"What do you mean?" Strawn demanded. "It's waterproof, ain't it? Doe Price says the bullet—and a .32 caliber one at that—entered Sprague's body just below the breastbone and traveled an upward course till it struck the extreme right side of the heart. The bullet entered exactly where it would have to, if the murderer was crouching under that window while Sprague was raising the screen. And we have Carraway's report that it was Sprague's fingerprints on those nickel-plated things you have to press together to make the screen roll up or down. Furthermore, I haven't a doubt in the world that the ballistics expert in Chicago will report that the bullet was fired from the same gun that killed Nita Selim."
"Neither have I," Dundee agreed. "But what I meant was that you had obligingly furnished the murderer who fits my theory with a theory he—or she—would not have upset for the world. Listen and he bent forward very earnestly. "I'm willing to grant that Sprague was shot from the outside, through the window, when Sprague raised the screen. But there our theories part company. I believe that the murderer was a guest at the Selim home, and that night, that he or she had made an appointment to meet Sprague there, on the promise of paying the hush money he had demanded. Naturally he or she—and I'll say he's from now on—for the sake of convenience—had no intention of being seen entering that room. The bridge game was suggested by Judge Marshall at noon. There was plenty of time for the rendezvous with Sprague. As I see it, the murderer to Sprague to excuse himself from the game when he became dummy, and to go to the trophy room and wait there until the murderer had a chance to slip away and appear beneath the window. Sprague had promised that when he raised the screen at a whispered request, a roll of bills would be handed to him, but—he received a bullet instead."
"And which one of your six suspects have you picked on?" Strawn asked sarcastically.
"That's just the trouble. There are still six," Dundee acknowledged with a wry grin. "After Sprague's disappearance, every one of the six was absent from the porch at one time or another. No, by George! There are SEVEN suspects now! I was about to forget Peter Dunlap, who admits he was alone on a fishing trip when Nita was murdered and who left the porch last night to go to the library, as soon as Sprague arrived. As for the original six: Polly Beale took a walk about the grounds. Mrs. Miles went upstairs to hunt for Karen Hamilton, and was gone more than 10 minutes; Drake went to the dining room to get the refreshments, and no one can say exactly how long he was gone; Judge Marshall went up to get his wife, and had time to make trip on the side; Janet Haymond walked over from her home, and passed that very window, arriving after Sprague had disappeared; and, finally, Clive Hammond arrived alone in his car, which he parked within a few feet of that window. This morning he gets

Couples Dance And Rock New Year In
BY UNITED PRESS
ELECTRA, Tex., Jan. 1—Pinnerals were held here today for the three men who lost their lives Tuesday in the dynamite explosion which destroyed the United States torpedo plant near here. After a two-day search over a wide area only a few bits of flesh and bone had been found.
The torso and feet of Bill Kenworthy, 40, were buried this morning after services at Mount Carmel Catholic church with Rev. Father William Bender officiating. So little remained of the bodies of James Snyder, 22, and J. B. Russell, 48, that it was decided to bury their fragments together. Services were held for them at the Baptist church with Rev. W. Rivers in charge.
Coroner W. H. Coffman yesterday returned a verdict of accidental death from high explosives while engaged in manufacturing dynamite

for the three men. Debris of the plant was scattered over 40 acres by the blast.
Snyder has a stepmother, Mrs. W. K. Snyder living at Pampa. Russell was from Newcastle, Pa. He is survived by his wife and two daughters here. Kenworthy is survived by his sister.
Coal Miners In Wakes On Strike
BY UNITED PRESS
LONDON, Jan. 1—A strike of 150,000 coal miners in South Wales was called today after negotiations between mine owners and workers collapsed.
The "spread-over" system of working hours, which sent some 75,000 Scottish miners on strike a few days ago and almost caused a national coal stoppage, was responsible for the strike today. The mine owners demanded wage cuts under the spread-over system, under which the hours of work vary instead of providing for a regular seven and a half hour day.

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RED PITTED CHERRIES	FAT HENS FRESH OYSTERS
2 No. 2 Cans 39c	

J. J. Biffle Assumes New Duties Today

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 2.—J. J. Biffle did not remain in the army of unemployed long when he was reappointed an assistant attorney general of Texas in the switch of state administrations. He took up new duties today as head of the warrant division of the State Comptroller's department.

Tilden Signs Contract To Act In Movies

By HENRY McLEMORE
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Following in the wake of Bobby Jones, William T. Tilden 2d, seven times national tennis champion and regarded by many as the greatest player the game has ever seen has turned his back on amateur competition.

Like Jones, whose retirement preceded his by several weeks, Tilden will journey to Hollywood to make a series of movie shorts demonstrating and explaining the shots that made him famous. His contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer calls for his appearance on the Pacific coast within a month.

The terms of the contract are not known, but it is expected that Tilden will earn the \$250,000 that Jones is expected to receive for his golf series. Jones quit when he was at the peak of his skill and fame; Tilden when he had slipped from the height.

Tilden announced his retirement in a letter to Holcombe Ward, chairman of the amateur rules committee of the United States Lawn Tennis Association. Unlike Jones, who in his letter to the golf association expressed doubt that his movie work meant automatic expulsion from amateur play, Tilden accepted his contract as meaning he was through as a "Simon Pure."

What Tilden plans to do after the talking shorts are completed is not known, but it is reported that he plans to make several exhibition tours, playing with and

against other American professionals. Ward, to whom Tilden's letter was addressed, told United Press that he had not received such a letter but understood that it was in the mails.

Tilden is now 37 years old, well beyond the age limit for great athletes. Yet only last summer he marched through a great field at Wimbledon to take his third British singles championship.

Section 5 of article III of the by-laws says that a player will be considered to have forfeited his amateur status by "permitting or sanctioning the taking of tennis action motion picture in connection therewith."

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 31.—Attempts to "throatle the press by means of intimidation" were assailed by Prof. Ralph L. Crosman, of the University of Colorado, before the American Association of Teachers of Journalism.

freedom. "Significant," he said, "though not legal or legislative, have been the utterances of President Hoover regarding the rights of newspapers to criticize governmental officers, and the threat of the Nye investigating committee to bring libel actions against all newspapers publishing the charges of Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick, the clear purpose of which was to muzzle the press by means of intimidation."

The president, he said, in attempting to define proper criticism in connection with charges brought by Ralph S. Kelley against the department of the interior to taking unto himself a function that is the province of no individual, be he mental or be he president.

Horrors Of Burial Alive Are Scouted

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 1.—Tales about persons being buried alive are but superstitions and nothing else, morticians here declare. When an undertaker buries you, you are buried for keeps and the state of Texas gets a slip of paper saying so.

The attending physician has ample opportunity to make sure life is extinct before the body is sent to the morgue. After embalming, it is impossible for life to remain.

The most common test for life is an injection of ammonia. The flesh turns pink if there is any life and yellow if the person is dead.

Woman Is Air Publicist
EL PASO, Tex.—Georgia Carmichael, El Paso newspaper woman, has been appointed by the Mexican government as publicity director for aviation in Mexico.

Sagerton — Continental State Bank reorganized and changed name to Sagerton State Bank.

Young Sheriff Rides His Own Range In The Land "West Of The Pecos"

PECOS, Tex., Jan. 1.—"The law west of the Pecos" has ever been a phrase of highest salutation and respect for the peace officers of that broad expanse.

If that title could be accorded any one man today, that man is Sheriff Louis Robertson, sometimes of Pecos but generally of indefinite locations in Reeves and Loving counties.

At least once a week, as a rule, he drops in on each community of the 3,534 square miles. As a side line, he is tax collector for the two counties, and in his traveling collects thousands of dollars in county funds.

Pecos alone of the 250-plus county seats of Texas has that capacity for two counties. It is in Reeves, to which Loving is attached for all judicial purposes.

Robertson, at 32, is the youngest sheriff this domain ever had. His majority in the last election was so overwhelming that the incumbent resigned Sept. 1 instead of waiting for his term to expire on Jan. 1.

Robertson looks the typical west Texan—large in stature, proven

feared in law enforcement. The race last fall was his first venture into politics.

Moody Comments On Ballot Plan

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 1.—Elected officers and a host of employees are against the "short ballot" plan, Governor Dan Moody has written the governor of Maine, who has conducted him on why such a proposal recently failed in Texas.

Governor Moody wrote indorsing the plan and its advantages as outlined by the Maine executive, but said that he had found the opposition sufficient to make it well worth the study of an executive before trying to accomplish such legislation.

The "short ballot" plan is a system with a minimum of elective officials. Power of appointment to most of the offices is lodged in the executive.

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N. C. A. A. Meets New York Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Those boys and girls who were disappointed by the lack of fireworks displayed in the football coaches meetings and the report of the rules committee, may be satisfied today when the national collegiate athletic association closes its convention with an open meeting.

This session, which will be attended by more than 250 delegates from schools in all parts of the country, will be devoted to an open discussion of college sports in general and football in particular. Several addresses are scheduled for the open meeting and two or three of the talks are expected to be a trifle sensational.

Professor Charles W. Kennedy, president of the N. C. A. A., will talk and is expected to dwell on the evils of any of college football.

Dean Clarence W. Mendell of Yale, head of a committee appointed a year ago to answer charges made in the Carnegie report is another speaker who is expected to say something out of

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Kokomo

KOKOMO, Jan. 2.—Rev. Willie ... filled his regular appointment here Sunday night. His sermon Sunday night was, "The Narrow Way" chosen from the Helms in the Telegram last week.

No Hard Sledding for Them

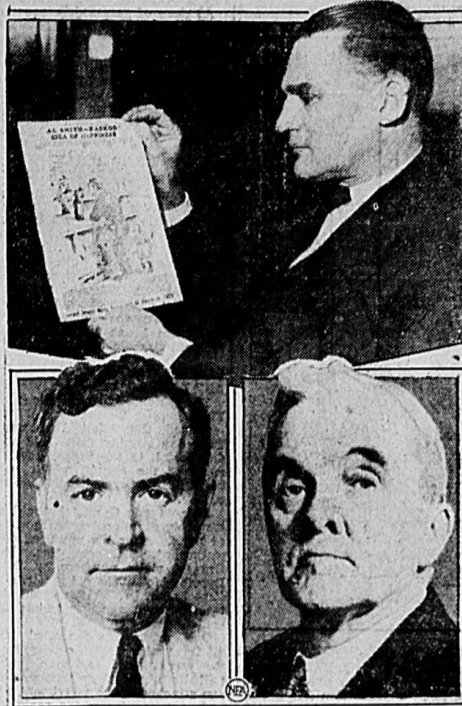


NEA Los Angeles Bureau Snow use talking, fellows: snow use talking! All this chatter about hard sledding for girls who aspire to be movie stars is all wrong, for here are two of them who have made good in a big way, showing that sledding isn't at all hard.

Nevada Desert Scene Of New Gold Strike

RABBIT HOLE, Nev. Dec. 30.—Far out on the lonely Nevada desert lands at a spot inhabited two weeks ago only by jackrabbits and antelope, today stands this new mining camp mushroomed into existence overnight by the magic cry of "gold!"

In G. O. P. Battle In Washington



NEA Washington Bureau

Here is the principal figures in the Republican political tangle resulting from disclosures in Washington by the Nye senatorial campaign expenditures investigating committee.

Light Expert To Aid Einstein

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 30.—One of the most enthusiastic scientific persons awaiting the arrival of here New Year's Day of Dr. Albert Einstein is Dr. Alfred A. Michelson, one of the world's outstanding authorities on light rays.



Texas Boy Amazes Mother

"J. C. Jr.'s stomach was often upset and he had very little appetite," says Mrs. J. C. Bradley, Mesquite, Dallas County, Texas. "He was feverish and his breath was bad. I found he was constipated."



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Ousted Premier And Successor



Because he opposed some of the strenuous principles of Soviet Russia's government, Alexi I. Rykoff, pictured at top, has been stripped of the high official power he held in Moscow.

may be increased or if demand declines, production will be curtailed further. Potential was estimated at 6,353,215 barrels in January; 6,686,564 barrels in February and 7,263,077 barrels in March.

At the same time the other was being drafted today, state legislators were lining up on the pro-ration question. An attack on the order and the corporation commission's powers was regarded as imminent.

Solons May Remove Pension Red Tape

AUSTIN, Dec. 31.—Confederate pensioners will be relieved of the present necessity of executing monthly affidavits in order to secure payment of their pensions, if plans being worked out by U. S. Senator Morris Sheppard and Representative State Senator Thomas B. Love of Dallas work out.

Famed Author In Desert Garden



Here is a new and hitherto unpublished photograph of Harold Bell Wright, famous novelist. It was taken in the writer's ranch-home near Tucson, Ariz., a 23-acre spot in the heart of the desert, and shows him standing beside several plants of the tree cactus.

New Invention To Photograph Heart Beats

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—An apparatus by which photographs of heart beats and other body sounds can be seen in the form of oscillating waves in a mirror and can also be photographed at will, has just been invented by Herr Martiny, a Berlin engineer.

Turkey Dodges Thanksgiving Role

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 31.—This particular turkey went not to the market as Martin Jeck, poultry fancier living near here, had ordained but to a safe hiding place until all danger of taking the role of "piece de resistance" at a Thanksgiving Day feast had passed.



HOOK AND SLIDES by Henry L. Farrell

Bat Know

"I KNOW THAT guy's weakness," said Bat Battalino when he first saw Kid Chocolate fight. "He can't take 'em in the tummy."

Shent Eloquence

SILENCE can be eloquent, too. Wait until next fall when the Harvard undergrads begin their exercises under Eddie Casey, who can talk seven chapters without saying a word.

Making Morrison

MAYNARD MORRISON was a pretty good fallback last year at Michigan. Coach Harry Kipke thought he saw a great center possibility in the young man from Royal Oak. But Morrison's father wanted him to carry the ball. Kipke made the trip himself to Royal Oak to persuade Papa Morrison that the Maynard would be better at flipping the ball than tugging it.

Shute!

ONE of the 14 men named to contest for three remaining places on the Ryder Cup team that will battle the British next June is Denny Shute, the Ohio pro. The test is to be conducted over the Skoto club course at Columbus, which is home sweet home to Shute. If we were in the handicapping business, we would advise you not to wager against Shute's victory.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

SAM HILDRETH, the horseman, left an estate of \$85,819. . . . Flash Suther, the Alabama halibut, scored 262 points in nine games in his last year at Tuscaloosa high school. . . . Signs of a hard winter may be seen in the small gymnasiums in New York where the chiselers are becoming more and more rapacious as the long freeze sets in. . . . Irish Paty Kline, ardent foe of Benny Leonard in an earlier day, would be walking on his heels now along dear old Broadway. . . . Bat Battalino reminds you a little of old Hat Nelson of the gutta percha chin. . . . Alabama will beat Washington New Year's Day. . . . and there's no charge for the tip.

The Empty Gesture

IF you happen to be collecting smiles, you might be able to use this one: "As meaningless as a challenge from Jack Sharkey." The Boston elocutionist recently offered to fight Strubbing in New York. Then he offered to fight Max Schmeling in June next for the New York Milk Fund. But another Sharkey-Schmeling thing isn't in any of the books. Jack can't even win a fight for himself, and you all know that ought to be a setup.

De-Emphasizing

PURDIE is at home in cancelling the sports that football profs ordinarily supports. Nebraska, with just a fair team during the last season, also finds its athletic allowance reduced. The most emphatic de-emphasizing is involuntary.

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WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Text: Luke 1:8-17, 80. And it came to pass, that, while he executed the priest's office...



likewise very beautiful, and history, is the greatness of a reflected glory. It is his association with Jesus that has given him distinction...

Thursday evening at her home with a 42 party. Miss Opal Hunt was awarded high score prize.

MR. AND MRS. WILMAN ATTEND GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilman have returned from Mason where they attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Wilman's mother...

FIDELIS MATRONS ARE ENTERTAINED The Fidelis Matrons Class of First Baptist Sunday School entertained the Adult Department Thursday evening with their holiday social...

Well Fitted for Task It may be said that this far we have based our comment upon something that is really not in the lesson...

Brightening up the home By Dorothy Snow

Small Tables Add Charm LITTLE tables have such a friendly air! They can make a room seem cozy and inviting if they are wisely placed where they will be most useful and charming...

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 1. The Birth of John the Baptist. Luke 1:8-17, 80.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of The Congregationalist The first six months' studies of this year are from incidents and topics from the Gospel of Saint Luke...

Luke in his story of Jesus begins at the beginning, unless we should think of the beginning of the life of Jesus as far back in the preparation of the times of the law and the prophets...

Lyric - Sunday & Monday



James Hall featured in 'Hell's Angels'

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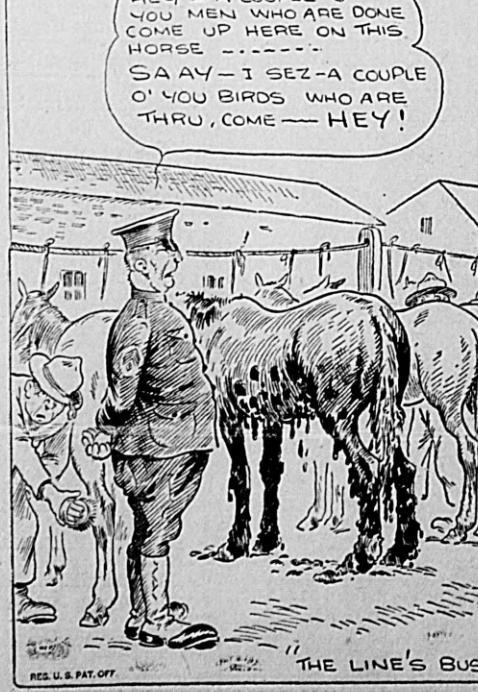
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SOCIETY CHURCHES

SATURDAY'S CALENDAR Sunbeam Band, Royal Ambassadors, Girls Auxiliary will meet at the Baptist church at 9:30 a. m. MRS. MICKLE IS HOSTESS TO BIBLE CLASS Mrs. Joe J. Mickle was hostess Thursday afternoon for the Susan Steele Bible Class...

OUT OUR WAY



Clark and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Johnson returned home after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Laminack.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott are moving to Scranton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Green have been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Webb spent Monday night with Mrs. Webb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King.

Mrs. B. B. Huntington of Cross Plains spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Barron.

Mrs. R. H. Walker and children Esther and Bobby Howard, Misses Donna and Della Matthews of Cisco spent Friday with their sister, Mrs. J. L. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laminack are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Laminack.

Mrs. Thelma Wilson of Galveston is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk and family spent Christmas day with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris of Cisco.

Grandma Gaze had the misfortune of breaking her arm Christmas eve.

W. E. Luck's father of Comanche is spending a few days with him.

SABANNO

SABANNO, Jan. 2—Rev. S. P. Collins filled his regular appointment here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Erwin and Mrs. Laura McCoy were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Erwin.

SERANTON

SERANTON, Jan. 2—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Haisley of Stanton is visiting relatives here. Mrs. Elmer Castleberry of Vernon was the Christmas guest her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Haisley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Davis of Vernon are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sprawls of Lamesa are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morgan of Woodson are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sprawls were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ept Free at Putnam Sunday.

Miss Muri Sprawls who is going

to school at Lamesa is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sprawls. Several attended the party in the Atwell community Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moran gave a party Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Clinton were visiting relatives in Putnam Tuesday.

Eastland Visitors T. J. (Tom) Cox, farmer of the Carbon community, was a business visitor in Eastland Wednesday, having brought in produce from his farm to sell to local merchants.

Mr. Cox is one of the pioneers of this section. He lives on Carbon star route.

T. J. Hilton of near Okra, another of the progressive farmers of the county and a pioneer of this section, was also in the city Wednesday. He came in to make arrangements with county agent Patterson to do some terracing on his (Hilton's) farm.

Card of Thanks We extend our heartfelt appreciation and thanks for the many acts and expressions of sympathy in connection with the recent illness and death of our Matthew W. Barnett.

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McALLEN, Tex., Jan. 2—An eight day international polo tournament between six fast Mexican and American polo teams has been scheduled for Reynosa, Mexico, just across the Rio Grande here beginning Jan. 11.

The champion Mexico City army team will play under the leadership of General Jaime Quinones. The Monterrey team of General Eulogio Ortiz, Mexican cavalry leader, and the Monterrey civilian team will make up the Mexican army.

Civilian teams from Dallas and Corpus Christi and a United States army team from Fort Bliss will be the three American entries.

High American army entries from the Eighth Corps Area quarters at Fort Sam Houston, Mexican military notables, Mexico City will be present.

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