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SAYS KLAN PAID YOUNG FOR RAID

(By Associated Press)
MARION, Ill., Jan. 25.—Glenn Young, dry worker, who has been leading the wholesaler raids in Williamson county, is a paid employee of the local Ku Klux Klan, Cyclops Sam Stern said in an address here today. Stern explained that Young was hired by the Klan on a basis of so much per day and expenses, but did not reveal what Young's daily salary is.

The wholesale raid on bootleggers by the dry worker, aided by citizens, recently caused a conflict between the sheriff's department and raiders, and was responsible for the sheriff calling on the governor to send troops to Williamson county.

BROWNWOOD — Extensions and rebuilding by the West Texas Telephone Company in this territory planned for this year will amount to a large sum and great improvement of the service in this section.

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Woman Sentenced to Hang for Murder of Mother-in-Law

(By Associated Press)
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Ida Hughes today was sentenced to be hanged on March 14th, following her conviction by a jury here last night for the murder of her mother-in-law, Mrs. M. C. Hughes.

The convicted woman was visibly affected, but made no statement prior to the sentence being pronounced upon her. She was charged with having shot and killed her mother-in-law as she was searching a trunk in her home on December 30th.

MAKING IT PLAIN FOR
THE TAX COLLECTOR

Down in Coleman county a tax payer sent his check to the tax collector and wrote the collector to issue an auto registration receipt. The tax payer made his wants known in the following language, according to The Coleman Democrat-Voice:

"Dear Sir: Enclosed attached find my check with affixed signature, for which please make out for amount to cover my road and ear tax for 1924. I have a two-passenger roadster Ford, Model T-15, 22 h. p., purchased from West Texas Telephone Co., of Brownwood, Engine No. 786-598; our License No. is 86*896, and is in good condition on both front and rear of car. No starter and no demountable rims; just a plain little wore-out rattling Roadster."

If every tax payer would follow the Coleman county tax payer's style of making his wants known, the collector could issue registration receipts much more rapidly.

BEAUMONT — Extensions of the telephone service in this city are to be started at once which involve increased service to the entire North part of the city and 1,200 additional telephones.

CLAIMS REWARD FOR FINDING MAN

(By Associated Press)

MIAMI, Florida, Jan. 25.—An elderly man held by the police at this place for investigation is believed here to be J. W. Holt, who has been missing from his home in San Antonio since November 24, 1922, and for information of whose whereabouts a reward of \$3,000 has been offered. A reward of \$1,000 for information as to the men responsible for Holt's disappearance and \$1,000 reward for their conviction has also been posted.

The United States marshal at San Antonio has been notified and if the man held here proves to be Holt the authorities will claim the \$3,000 reward.

ONE DEAD IN HOTEL BLAZE

(By Associated Press)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 25.—Fire which swept through Manhattan Hotel, in the center of the business district of the city today caused at least one death while a score or more of people were injured and property damaged to the extent of more than \$100,000.

Two persons are missing and it is not known whether they perished or not.

Lou Chatterton, age 67, lost his life when he leaped to his death from the third floor of the hotel.

Paul Michaelis was in the city from the Hatchel country Thursday, and drove home in a new Dodge sedan purchased from Higginbotham Bros. & Co. The Dodge dealers also sold to W. H. Wilde this week a Dodge touring car.

Report Rebels Make Big Gains and Take Men

(By Associated Press)
VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Jan. 25.—(By radio to The Dallas News)—The rebel forces commanded by General Salvador Alvarado have taken possession of Silao, a railway town, about 25 miles Northwest of Celaya, and have also occupied the railheads at San Francisco and Pedrito, says a rebel communique issued here today.

In the action at Silao the insurgents captured abundant supplies and ammunition, and stores of rifles, and also took a number of federal troops prisoner.

BRITISH WILL DEVELOP BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Another attempt is being made to develop the British sugar trade, this time in Suffolk county. At Southwold Harbor, it is planned to erect a sugar beet factory in time for next season's beet sugar crop, the factory to be fed by a circular railway 45 miles long embracing about 200,000 acres for the transport of beet.

The new factory is expected to produce 8,000 tons of sugar each year.

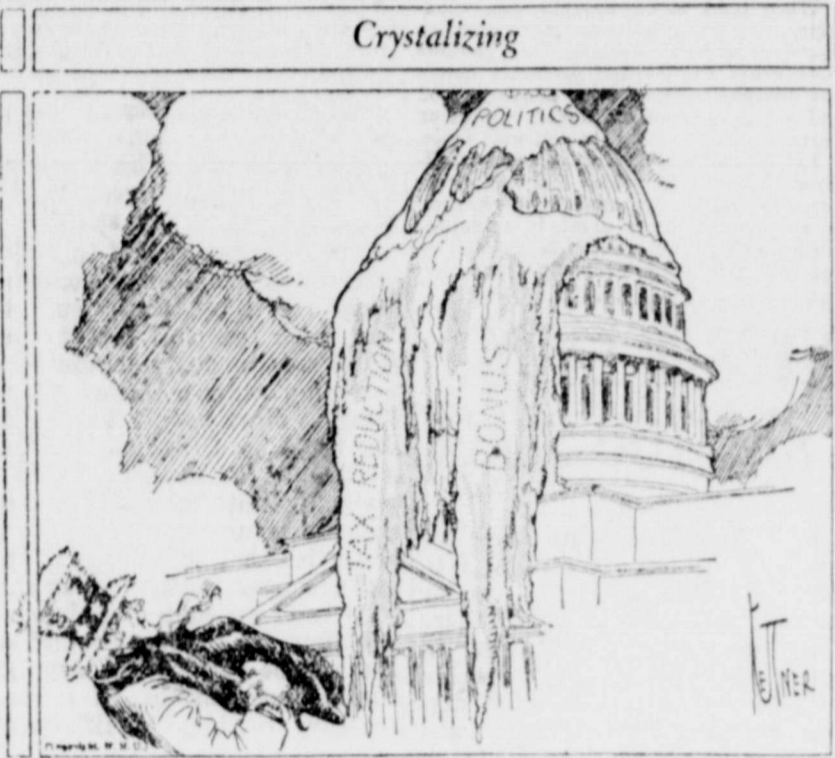
GILMER, Tex.—An electric transmission line is being built between this city and Big Sandy by the East Texas Utilities Company.

RAILROAD WANTS WAR DAMAGES

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, January 25.—Charges that the "Black Tom" explosion in New Jersey on July 30, 1916, was caused by agents of the German government, was made in a brief filed with the mixed claims commission today by the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. The brief said that the railroad company had within the last sixty days obtained access to evidence which would support its charges, and which are made a basis for the road's claim.

The railroad also had before the commission a claim for damages to some of its barges by German submarines during the World War.



Burglars Use Truck to Move Furniture from Local Store

MELLON DEFENDS HIS TAX MEASURE

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, January 25.—While republican House members were considering proposals today for drafting a tax bill of their own, using Mellon's plan as a basis for the bill, Secretary Mellon renewed his defense of his proposal in another open letter to Senator Couzens, republican, of Michigan.

In his last letter to Mr. Mellon, Couzens challenged Mellon to tell the public what effect the Mellon plan would have on his own personal taxes. Secretary Mellon's reply today did not mention this part of the subject, however, but instead inquired whether the present high surtax rates had not impelled Couzens to invest a large part of his wealth in tax exempt securities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Mellon tax plan for the first time was debated on the floor of both the Senate and House yesterday.

Representative Garner of Texas and Senator Jones of New Mexico, democrats, debated the question with republican leaders. Mr. Garner poked fun at President Coolidge, Secretary Mellon, and various republican leaders.

"Uncle Andy sent a tax bill to the House," he declared, "with word to the republican leaders, 'here's the bill. You must not touch it. And Cal said: 'Me too. You've got to do what the president tells you to do in this

Backing a truck up to the second hand store of A. M. Brown on South Eighth Street, and breaking the rear door open, thieves hauled away goods valued at from \$200 to \$300 Wednesday night. The officers were engaged on the case throughout the day Thursday, but failed to pick up a clue which offered much encouragement for apprehension of the burglars.

The burglary was one of the boldest committed here in recent days as the robbers used a truck to haul away the second hand goods and went about the work in a very deliberate way, checking over the stock of clothing and selecting the best garments and casting aside garments which had been worn threadbare and of little value.

Included in the haul were a cook stove, beds, springs, chairs, and other articles of furniture. Two or three dozen dresses, suits, and a couple of baskets of second hand shoes. Mr. Brown says that it is hard to estimate his loss, but figures it anywhere from two to three hundred dollars.

Plasterers are said to get \$104 a week, but nothing has been revealed as to what is paid their private secretaries.

China raised 500,000 tons of peanuts last year, and it has so few ball games and circuses, too.

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PREACHERS CASE GOES TO JURY

(By Associated Press)

GEORGETOWN, Jan. 25.—The case of Rev. A. A. Davis, Baptist minister and anti-Catholic lecturer, charged with perjury in connection with the grand jury inquiry into the flogging of R. W. Burleson last April by unmasked men, will probably go to the jury late today. The offering of testimony in the case closed late yesterday and counsel have been arguing before the jury today.

Rev. Davis is alleged to have sworn falsely in connection with the trial of persons for the Burleson flogging.

NORTON BAND GETS NEW INSTRUMENTS

R. W. Earnshaw, representing Weeks Drug Store, delivered to the Norton Band Thursday sixteen new band instruments, and that organization will begin at once under the direction of H. H. Carsey to build a band. Several men at Norton already had instruments and the first rehearsal will see about twenty men in the hall. The men are enthusiastic and are determined to have a band that will be one of the best in West Texas. Mr. Carsey, who is also director and leader of the two Ballinger bands, will devote two days each week to instruction at Norton, and with his knowledge of music and capability as an instructor will soon have the organization newly organized playing concerts.

The new instruments were purchased from the Dallas Band House and are the best that can be bought. The delivery made Thursday consisted of three cornets, six clarinets, one trombone, one baritone, two saxophones, one bass drum, one snare drum and a melophone.

George Schovajsa and daughters, of the Miles-Rowena section, were in Ballinger Thursday, Mr. Schovajsa looking after business while the ladies did some shopping.

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Well, after all the bad things have been said, Ballinger is a better town.

The Ford factory turned out 2,000,000 cars last year, and we know several people who have not been supplied.

You are going to feel somewhat out of place at a political party this year, if you are not armed with a poll tax receipt. There are only a few days in which to get it.

Uncle Sam is furnishing guns and bullets to help the Mexican government put down the revolution, but the fracas goes merrily on, and it may be necessary to furnish American brain and American man power before Mexico is made a decent country in which to live.

Sometimes when men are elected to office their credit is greatly extended. For instance Albert W. Fall, former secretary of the interior, borrowed \$100,000 from a millionaire oil man with which to enlarge his New Mexico ranch. Just a part of the evidence that was brought out in the Teapot Dome oil probe.

DARKENS HAIR SO NATURALLY NO ONE KNOWS

The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time. She used it to keep her hair beautifully dark, glossy and attractive. Whenever her hair took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

But brewing at home is messy and out-of-date. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for a bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get this famous old preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients, which can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair.

A well-known downtown druggist says it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, it becomes beautifully dark and glossy.

JAPANESE DOUBT QUAKEPROOF HOUSES

TOKIO, Jan. 25.—News that the American government proposes to erect an "earthquake-proof building" in Tokio has aroused considerable interest here, where the question what buildings are quake-proof is being continually asked. Old buildings, which many thought would go at any time, stood after the big shock of September 1. Some modern buildings which were said to be proof against the worst shake either collapsed or were badly damaged, and in some cases construction companies which guaranteed their buildings earthquake proof are being called upon to replace them.

COLLEGE STATION, Tex.—The West Texas Utilities Company has endowed a scholarship at the Agricultural and Mechanical College here to be known as the Bolton Scholarship in Engineering.

TERRELL—Survey of the electric interurban railway between this city and Tyler has been completed from here to Canton.

EL PASO—Records of the El Paso Electric Railway Company for 1923 show twenty-eight per cent less accidents than in 1922. Only one fatality occurred in the operation of street cars in 1923.

WILLS POINT—A modern ice and cold storage plant is being built here. It will have a capacity of twenty tons a day.

Goldfish Farming is Maryland Industry

Goldfish farming is a little known but important industry in Maryland, near Washington. There, in a beautiful valley that is watered by numerous small creeks, some 35 farmers produce all the goldfish each year in the United States.

There is something in the water, vegetation or climate of their valley that causes goldfish to color better than in any other place in the country, says the Detroit News. Just what this is scientists have not yet determined, but that it exists is evidenced by the growth of the industry there within a quarter of a century, and the ready market which Frederick county goldfish always find.

Goldfish farming involves soil cultivation, just as does the raising of any agricultural crop. Usually the producers fertilize and plow their goldfish ponds in the late fall and sow grass or rye to provide fish pasturage the following season; while some farmers "rest" their ponds every other year by not flooding them, thus allowing the natural grasses and other vegetation of the region to re-establish themselves.

A quarter of a century ago there was not a goldfish in Frederick county, but today there are only one or two other sections of the country where these unique farms are to be found. Ohio and Iowa have one farm each, it is said, while Indiana has two or three, in the vicinity of Grassy Forks.

Mexico Now Supplying States With Much Food

Mexico is becoming one of America's greatest sources of staple foods. Coffee, cotton, rice, sugar, tobacco, wheat and "garbanos" are grown on the west coast, also the tomato, which was introduced into that territory by American colonists fifteen years ago and the output of which is exported almost exclusively to the United States. Railroad officials and planters estimate the exportation of tomatoes to the United States at 2,000 carloads for the year. This industry is centralized in two main districts of the state of Sinaloa, the Fuerte Kiver Valley in the north and in several valleys of the south.

Sixty-five cars of cantaloupes crossed the border in the season 1921-22. Grapefruit does well in the Hermosillo and Yaqui valley districts of Sonora, where conditions are much like those of California, and dates and figs are produced on the gulf side of Lower California. Grapes, bananas and alligator pears are grown in quantities. The alligator pear is reported to be the chief article of diet of the common people.

Going Rather Fast

The case before the court in a little town in Wales was one of exceeding the speed limit. The policeman who had brought the charge against the motorist went into the witness box to give evidence.

"You are the constable concerned in this case?" asked the presiding magistrate.

"Yes, sir, indeed," replied the strong arm of the law.

"And can you tell the court at what speed the defendant was traveling?" was the next question from the bench.

The constable scratched his head before replying slowly:

"Well, indeed, sir, I don't know. He was going so fast I did not see him until he was out of sight."—London Answers.

Don't Air Grievances

There is something infinitely pathetic in the uncomplaining fashion, in which lower-middle-class French women are now demeaning themselves. Among them there is cherishing of grievances (except that of the closing of the convents); not a touch of that ranking sense of wrong that is so rare among their English sisters; hardly a trace of any effort to draw attention to their distress, and have a remedy for it devised. On the contrary, it almost seems as if their one wish was to hide the fact that they are poor, to keep themselves and their poverty well out of sight.—Edith Sellers in the Atlantic.

"Genius" Now Forgotten

Mouldering in a London cellar lies the life work of a British artist, who in his day was regarded as the equal of Turner. It consists of the Biblical canvases of John Martin, whom the first Lord Lytton pronounced "the most original genius of his age" and Ruskin called one of the four painters who had "the most influence on the ordinary Protestant mind." Martin's pictures were exhibited in Europe and America, were wondered at by the people and engraved to be the ornaments of gift books and the walls of homes of the pious.

More Than Admired

He took her hand in his and gazed proudly at the engagement ring he had placed on her finger only three days before.

"Did your friends admire it?" he inquired, tenderly.

"They did more than that," she replied coldly. "Two of them recognized it."

Then They Moved On

They were looking at a picture of a lady of the Elizabethan age.

"What do you think of it?" asked the lady.

"She has more cloth in her collar than you have in your skirt."

Then they wandered over to the royal china.

MOTHER!

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DIVORCE LAWS ARE TOO SLACK

SAN ANGELO, Jan. 25.—The divorce evil is running Dan Cupid a close race in this county for first place. Since Jan. 1 there have been nineteen weddings in Tom Green county and twelve divorces. The marriage and divorce ratio for the last year was two and one-half marriages to one divorce.

This is out of proportion, according to District Judge Dubois and if the judge had his way, he states, it would not be such an easy matter to get married, and separations would be more difficult. Lax laws and marriage relations are responsible for a growing divorce evil, Judge Dubois thinks, and he suggests laws which would no doubt help domestic relations of the country if enacted.

Judge Dubois makes known his stand on the question of divorce in answer to a letter from Arnold W. Rosenthal, of New York, who is compiling information on the subject of divorces, which seem to be growing throughout the nation. In his reply the local jurist says, "I beg to submit the following suggestions:

"1. I think that notice should be posted at the courthouse door for thirty days before a marriage license is granted.

"2. That parties desiring to enter into the bonds of matrimony should, before being granted a marriage license, obtain a health certificate showing that each of the contracting parties are in good health.

"3. I would suggest that District Attorneys be required, as a part of their duties, to appear in every divorce suit and contest the same on behalf of the State, and the party bringing the suit should be required to deposit a fee of \$10 to pay for the services of such District Attorney. This, I think, would prevent so many divorces that are now granted. As the procedure is now, one of the parties desiring the divorce may appear by attorney, have a good petition, which, if true, requires the Judge to grant it, and that is about all that is done in the trial of divorce cases in my court.

"Some two years since a lady in this state wrote me along the same lines as you have, and I suggested to her that the District Attorney should appear in all divorce cases, and at the following legislature such a bill was introduced, but was defeated."

BRONCHITIS
 At bedtime rub the throat and chest thoroughly with—
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LUBBOCK—Extension of rural electric lines between this city and the agricultural experiment station has been arranged and the first three and a half miles to reach several farms is to be built at once by the Texas Utilities Company.

BISHOP, Tex.—Business firms in this city have arranged for awning lights on all fronts in the business section of the city.

COPPERAS COVE—Franchise for an electric lighting plant has been granted to George W. Tadlock of Waco and construction will begin at once.

WHAT OIL CROOKS COST THE PEOPLE

Through the greasy smiles of promoters of oil wells that never came in, because of the wiles of "blue sky" salesmen of questionable stock, and as a result of the gaudy promises of "100 per cent on your money," the people of the United States lost more than \$500,000,000 last year—between \$4 and \$5 for every man, woman and child in this country, according to statistics received by Postmaster J. A. Reese, from Dinsmore W. Hume, Director of Government Savings in this reserve district, whose headquarters are in the Federal Reserve Bank at Dallas.

"Most of these losses were preventable losses. Nine out of ten of them would not have occurred had the investor investigated a bit," the Postmaster said.

"The woods are still full of unscrupulous people and companies whose motto is 'find 'em, fool 'em, frisk 'em and forget 'em.' But losses in our community are becoming rarer because of two things. Most people know that the U. S. government has made it possible for them to obtain a compound interest bearing Government security right here at the postoffice that is loss-proof and fool-proof. A security that earns good interest, that is cashable at any time by the owner and one that can be obtained in large and small denominations. I refer to Treasury Savings Certificates."

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GUS COOK.
 24-6th St.*

Miss Samantha McElroy is at home from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Stanley Gray, at Wichita Falls. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Gray.

Mrs. C. A. Dooze went to Coleman Thursday afternoon, where she will be the guest of friends a few days.

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- For Tax Collector: W. L. BROWN
- For Tax Assessor: HENRY TODD, MIKE C. BOYD
- For Sheriff: J. P. FLYNT, R. E. McWILLIAMS
- For County Judge: PAUL TRIMMIER
- For County Treasurer: MRS. JENNIE KIRK
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1.: R. J. DEENS
- For County Clerk: W. A. FORGEY
- For District Clerk: Miss—GEORGIA SINGLETARY
- For State Senate (25th Dist.): WALTER C. WOODWARD (of Coleman)
- For Representative, (92nd Dist.): O. R. SIMS (of Concho County)

E. W. Brookshire, of Maverick, CLARKSVILLE—Construction of a new sewer plant for this town Thursday. city has been started.

Would a Ballinger Citizen Think He was in Mississippi Because He Lives on the Banks of a River?

Of course not! We, here in Ballinger, live on the banks of the Colorado River, and that's the object in naming rivers—to tell 'em apart.

Well, it's the same thing with bread. That's the reason we named our's CONNELLY'S BREAD—none genuine without the name on the wrapper. We are mighty proud of our product, it is the best that it is possible for you to buy. It is good for grown-ups and little folks too. Fine for toast sandwiches, etc.

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INDIAN VALUED THE BUFFALO

That Animal Supplied the Red Man With Almost Everything That He Needed.

Gen. Richard Irving Dodge, United States army, in his work on the big game of America, says: "It is almost impossible for a civilized being to realize the value to the plains Indian of the buffalo. It furnished him with equipment—almost everything," reports the Detroit News.

"Every plains Indian firmly believed that the buffalo were produced in countless numbers in a country under ground; that every spring the surplus swarmed, like bees from a hive, out of the immense cavities opening in the region of the great Llano Estacado, or Staked Plain of Texas.

"In 1879 Stone Chief, a celebrated chief, assured me that he knew exactly where the caves were, though he had never seen them; that the 'Good God' had provided this means for the constant supply of food for the Indian; however recklessly the white man might slaughter, they could never exterminate them. When I last saw him the old man was beginning to waver in this belief, and feared that the 'Bad God' had shut the entrances and that his tribe must starve."

HIS TESTIMONIAL TO HOTEL

August Holiday Seeker Writes in Guest Book How His Stay Impressed Him.

In previous years Smith had always taken his holidays in May, but this year he decided to make a change and go away in August. As you can guess even if you are not a habitual August holiday maker, the charges at the hotel were very high in comparison with what he was in the habit of paying in May, and the bill gave him rather a shock.

"I hope you have enjoyed your holiday here, sir," said the landlord on the day on which he was due to return home. "I hope you will write something in our visitors' book."

"What shall I write?" inquired Smith, rather at a loss.

"Oh, anything," said the landlord. "Your impression of your short stay here, for instance."

After a few minutes' thought Smith took up the pen and wrote:

"I came here for change and rest. The waiter took the change and the landlord got the rest."—Chicago News

King of Rome.

The title king of Rome was bestowed at the time of his birth upon Napoleon Francois Charles Joseph, son of Napoleon I and Marie Louise. After the fall of Napoleon in 1814, the king of Rome was taken in charge by his grandfather, the emperor of Austria, and carefully educated as an Austrian prince. His title was changed to that of the duke of Reichstadt in 1818. He died at Schoenbrunn, near Vienna, July 22, 1832, in his twenty-second year. It is thought that this title was given in imitation of Charlemagne. If so, it was blunder; Charlemagne was never "king of Rome," but he was "patrician of Rome." In the German empire the heir-apparent was "king of the Romans," not "king of Rome." This latter title was expressly conferred on the German kings, and sometimes on their heirs, by a coronation at Milan. The German title equivalent to "dauphin," or "prince of Wales," was king of the Romans.—Reader's Handbook (Brewer).

Laughter Benefits Children.

Laughter is beneficial and American children are better at it than English youngsters, Dr. C. W. Kimmins, Gilchrist lecturer at the University of London, said at a luncheon in New York. Doctor Kimmins remarked that children in this country have the advantage of the Mark Twain and Bret Harte traditions and are more faithful readers of Dickens than English children. He said that his studies of London children show that they begin to laugh at the age of seven, when they begin to sense superiority over some of their companions, and improve until eleven, but that from eleven to thirteen there is no development of the sense of humor.

Rainfall in America.

A vivid picture of the amount of rain that falls upon the United States is given by a Washington scientist. It is equivalent, he states, to ten Mississippi rivers flowing constantly. Otherwise measured, it equals thirty inches of water for the entire area, making a total volume of 152,000,000,000,000 cubic feet. But this is only half the amount that would be necessary to maintain the full productivity of the soil of the whole country. One-third of this amount runs down to the sea and rivers. The problem for engineers to solve is the utilization to the utmost of the supply that nature furnishes.

Wise Judge.

"I hear you were judge at a baby show," snorted Hoffy's friend Cuthbert.

"I was," admitted Hoffy.

"If I have heard you say once, I have heard you say fifty times that all babies look alike to you," said Cuthbert.

"They do."

"Then how could you tell which was the prettiest baby?"

Hoffy rolled a cigarette with one hand and then answered:

"I judged by the mothers."



PRODUCTION MADE IN SOUTH SEAS IS FO-TO-SHO FEATURE

A most picturesque and colorful picture is Goldwyn's romance of the South Seas, "Lost and Found," which was screened for the first time this afternoon at the Fo-to-sho Theatre, where it will close the engagement here tonight.

The beauty of the tropical settings, on the island of Tahiti, the clearness of the photography make it a pictorially beautiful production; in addition to this beauty it has a most dramatic and emotional story perfectly acted and directed. It is one of the best of the romantic adventure pictures yet produced.

Goldwyn sent R. A. Walsh, the director, and the entire cast to Tahiti to make the production amid the island surroundings in which the action takes place.

Very few scenes were taken at the company's studios. Mr. Walsh again proves himself one of the most efficient directors in the industry by the manner in which he staged "Lost and Found." In the story from the pen of Carey Wilson he had excellent material to work with and rose admirably to the occasion. The ship scenes and the native war scenes are stirring bits of action that set the pulse to pounding.

As has become the custom with Goldwyn productions, the cast is admirable—wisely selected and admirably directed. House Peters as Captain Blackbird, master of the slave ship "Hope" of the story, has never done better. Rosemary Theby, as the wife who deserted him with their eldest child for the island governor, causing him to swear vengeance on all her sex and take to the

seas, has the sort of role in which she excels. Pauline Starke, as their eldest daughter, Lorna, could not be bettered in the part. Antonio Moreno is the wholesome rugged American hero to the life. George Siegmann as the governor sustains his reputation for strong individual characterizations. A younger daughter is portrayed by Mary Jane Irving; Wm. V. Mong is a beachcomber; Carl Harbaugh a native medicine man; and David Wing a Chinaman.

"THE BRASS BOTTLE" IS FARCE COMEDY WITH NO SLAP-STICK

A farce comedy without a foot of slap-stick film; a rib-ticking picture with an intensely melodramatic sequence.

That is, perhaps, the best way to describe Maurice Tourneur's "The Brass Bottle," presented as a First National picture at the Maeroy Theatre today and to-night only. Like all of Tourneur's pictures, the word "unusual" has a real meaning when used to describe "The Brass Bottle."

Honors of the piece are carried away by Ernest Torrence as Fakrash-el-Aamash the genie, with Harry Myers as Horace Ventimore, a young English architect, a close second. Tully Marshall, as Prof. Hamilton, a grouchy English archaeologist and Ventimore's prospective father-in-law, lives up to the fame he has created for himself.

Among others present in the cast are: Barbara La Marr, Charlotte Merriam, Ford Sterling, Aggie Harring, Clarissa Selwyn,

Otis Harlan, Sam DeGrasse, Roy Coulson, Ed Jobson, Hazel Keener, Marie Campbell and Julianne Johnston.

Photographically "The Brass Bottle" ranks with the best things Tourneur, a master of the beautiful on the screen, has done. The story abounds with opportunities for beautiful photography and Tourneur has taken advantage of every one. From a prologue laid in King Solomon's court the story moves to a formal garden in rural England, from a London office, to the sumptuous interior of a luxurious Arabian palace, and back to a drab London rooming house.

Briefly the story is this:

Fakrash-el-Aamash, an Arabian Nights' genie, is imprisoned in a brass bottle for contesting the power of Suleyman, and cast into the sea. Ventimore buys the bottle, thousands of years later, at an auction and releases the genie, who, in gratitude, shows his benefactor with Aladdin-like gifts. It is the incongruity of these gifts, laden on a struggling architect of modern days, that provokes the merriment of the audience.

Funny, melodramatic, beautiful, unusual, the picture has a strong appeal to the occasional picture-goer as well as to the fan.

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TRACES HISTORY OF WATER WORKS

(By Associated Press)

WACO, Jan. 25.—The history of public water supplies from the days of the town pump and the "old oaken bucket" to the modern filtered water systems was traced by Thomas F. Wolfe of Chicago in an illustrated lecture before the State Waterworks Engineers' school here last night.

A feature of the picture was a view of the first cast iron pipe laid, which is still in service at Versailles, France, after 250 years underground.

"The earliest form of supply consisted in hauling water in buckets either from a spring or a nearby brook," said Mr. Wolfe. "In the course of time, it became impossible for all settlers to locate adjacent to such sources of supply, and it became necessary to dig wells. The early wells were either of the 'old oaken bucket' or of the 'sweep' type. Later, the modern hand-pump was installed. Practically no progress has been made in private wells since the introduction of these pumps. As population became more dense, it was im-

possible to locate these private wells away from contaminating influences, and tests have shown that the majority of private wells either are contaminated or are subject to contamination. Furthermore, these individual wells furnished practically no fire protection.

"The need of a public water supply was then felt, and in some of the larger cities these supplies were installed. These early supplies furnished a water that was no better than the water furnished from individual wells, but they had the advantage of furnishing a somewhat larger quantity so that fire protection was improved.

"The only pipes available at that time in this country, were bored logs. As the demand for water increased, it soon became evident that some other form of pipe would be necessary because of the very limited capacity of these old fashioned pipes. Cast iron pipe was then introduced, and it became possible to distribute large quantities of water."

Pictures old pipe laid in Boston and taken up and relaid in 1921 were shown as well as pipes relaid after 40 years in the ground at St. Paul and Omaha.

CRIME WAVE FILLS BERLIN PRISONS

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Jan. 25.—There are more than 100,000 persons in the prisons of Prussia alone. The ten big prisons of Berlin are all filled to overflowing as a result of the influx of prisoners from the occupied area. The French and Belgians have been using the prisons in the Ruhr and Rhineland for their soldiers and consequently the German prisoners have been shipped Eastward.

Courts are unable to care for the criminal cases on their schedules and the wave of criminality is placing a burden on the already overloaded government budget which is a serious handicap. Many criminals who should be imprisoned are merely fined because of the emergency and many others must be paroled temporarily until there is space in the prisons for them.

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W. A. Glenn, of the Bronte section, was a visitor to Ballinger Thursday.

Cattle Raising Lags on American Farms

While the number of cattle raised in the United States has been maintained at a comparatively high level, says the National Bank of Commerce of Chicago, in a recent survey of the live stock industry, it has by no means kept pace with the increase in population. However, it is said, after a few years of continuous cultivation even virgin soil loses its power to produce abundant crops. As a means of maintaining soil fertility, the live stock industry is of fundamental importance to permanent agriculture, and as the bank points out, is widely practiced in the corn belt, where grain, especially corn, is marketed in the form of live stock. "Maintenance of soil productivity is so important to the farmer," continues the bank, "that it is an item to include in determining net profit derived from raising and fattening cattle."

"It is estimated that 85 per cent of the corn produced in the United States is fed to live stock and 15 per cent is fed to cattle. Approximately 85 per cent of the native beef steers marketed in Chicago are fattened after having been purchased as stockers and feeders. Possibilities of further developing the beef cattle industry in this country are indicated by a recent survey by the Department of Agriculture, which indicates that beef cattle are kept only on 29 per cent of all farms in the United States."

The survey mentions the increased activity by American consumers of leather as being partly offset by decreased consumption in Europe, and says: "However, it has not been sufficient to cause prices of cattle hides and calf skins to advance permanently in proportion to the rise in the general price level of commodities."

Small Sacred Horse Japan's Oddest Thing

In the famed park in Nara, Japan, there is a sacred horse. This shaggy, undersized animal is said by the Japan Advertiser to be the funniest thing in Japan.

He is pure white and has one blue eye and one pink one. He is kept in a small stable with a square hole for him to poke out his head to eat the oats which tourists bring him.

The third largest bell in Japan hangs in Nara park, which contains 1,250 acres, and throughout which more than 3,000 stone and metal lanterns are scattered. Six hundred tame deer roam at will in the park.

Also in Nara park there is one of the three gigantic bronze Buddhas, and the largest. The others are at Osaka and Kamakura.

One of the most venerated of Shinto shrines—Kasuga no Miya—is the goal of thousands of pilgrims every year.

NEGRO WEDDINGS DRIFTING WEST

(By Associated Press)

FLOYDADA, Jan. 25.—The first marriage license ever issued to a negro couple in Floyd county since the county was organized, was issued today by the county clerk to Mark Hooks and Mary Russell, of Plainview.

In some sections of West Texas negroes were practically unknown until this year. Negroes began to settle here when the big ranches began to give way to farms, and the cotton crop in the South Plains country was responsible for turning many negro farm hands to the West.

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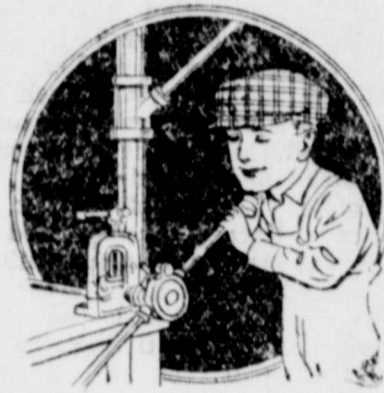
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